

WHAT'S ON

Term 1, 2024

Week 1

Monday 29th January

School holidays

Tuesday 30th January -
Wednesday 31 January

School Development
Day, staff only

Thursday 1 February

Years 1 - 6 return

Week 2

Monday 5 February

Kindergarten commence

Week 3

Friday 16 February

Combined Schools
Swimming Carnival

CANTEEN

Term 1 Week 2	TBA
Term 1 Week 3	TBA



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Principal's Report



*It's the last newsletter of the year! Wow!
Below is my message to our school community on Presentation Day.*

It is so wonderful to see everyone here, ready to celebrate another terrific year of learning at the best little school in Australia!

I would also like to acknowledge that we are celebrating this year of learning on beautiful Worimi Country. Underneath this concrete is land rich with the stories of the Aboriginal people who have walked this Country for thousands of years. I believe we can learn so much from Australia's first teachers.

The end of the year is a time where we reflect on where we have been, what we have learnt, how we have grown and what may have been hard. It is also the perfect opportunity to look forward to where we are going next. I have added a couple of things to my bucket list this year. One is to try and beat Kingston at Rubik's Race! The other is to have a go at a pump track!

We have some awesome bike riders, scooters and skaters at our school. I am inspired by your energy!

I went looking for some information about pump tracks and I discovered some interesting similarities between this kind of bike riding and our work at school. The first thing I discovered is that when you are on a pump track, the momentum of the downhill, keeps you going on the uphill. There are the hard-yakka ups which can cause a bit of a burn in your legs, and then there is the awesome, tummy rumbling feeling of zooming down. What a feeling that must be, soaring through the air!

So, how is this similar to school? I see it like this. We stand at the starting line, a little bit nervous. Think about your first day of Kindy. Or your first day at High School Transition. Or a really tricky maths problem. What if we fall? What if it is hard? What if we have to talk to new people? It's true. Sometimes at school we face challenges and obstacles. Some are harder than others. But what do we do about it? We get on with it! We push off, we go down that first hill and we taste that success, ready to face the next challenge. The best part is, we're not alone. There's an entire support team around us. There are teachers showing you the best techniques, there are friends by your side, cheering you on. There's lovely administration staff to put on some band aids and pass out the ice packs and there's your family, ready to hug you at the end of the lap, no matter how many times you may have fallen or flown. Boys and girls, I am a very proud principal. You have grown, shone, stayed true to your goals and tried your best every day. Congratulations on a wonderful year of learning.

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Congratulations Mrs Fletcher on 20 years service to Public Education.



I also want to take this opportunity to thank everyone in our school community who puts our students at the heart of all they do every day.

Mrs Waters and Mrs Forbes absolutely keep our school humming every single day.

Mrs Fletcher, Mrs Munn, Miss Snowdon, Mrs Murray, Miss Morris, Mrs Hattam and Miss Gunn are such a committed, enthusiastic and dedicated team of teachers. Our students are so fortunate to have you riding right alongside them on their own journeys, down the hills and back up again. You know and see your students. Thank you for all you do.

Thank you to our P & C, who I brag and boast about to anyone outside our school community. You work tirelessly, never complain about my growing wish lists and balance your busy work and family lives to bring opportunities and resources right into the palm of our students' hands.

I hope you all have a lovely Christmas break and a safe, restful holiday.

See you in 2024!

Erin Wilson

2023 Presentation Day Awards

Kindergarten Academic Excellence	Darcey
Wattle Special Achievement	Ivy
Wattle Citizenship	Ruby M
Year 1 Academic Excellence	Elora
Year 2 Academic Excellence	Philippa
Year 3 Academic Excellence	Lucas
Bottlebrush Special Achievement	Piper
Bottlebrush Citizenship	Finley
Year 4 Academic Excellence	Jesse
Year 5 Academic Excellence	Thomas
Year 6 Academic Excellence	Bohdi
Banksia Special Achievement	Hunter
Banksia Citizenship	Darbi

Presentation Day Photos



2024 Leadership Team

Congratulations to our 2024 Leadership team!

School Captain: Violet

School Vice-Captain: Thomas

School Leader: Ryan

School Leader: Callum

Sport Captains and SRC badges will be presented early next year.



Farewell Year 6. Best wishes for High School!



Congratulations Alicia, Bella, Bohdi, Charlotte, Jermaine, Matilda, Taj, Zak and Zane on completing 7 years of primary school. We can't wait to hear of what adventures are in store for you. You are a wonderful group of students and we wish you all the best.

SRC Cake Stall and Book Stall

There weren't many cakes after this special treat! Thanks Mrs Forbes and Mrs Munn for all the set up, clean up and organisation. Thanks parents for the delicious goodies!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Happy birthday to Mrs Murray on 22nd Dec, Jermaine on 27th Dec, Abbi on 31st Dec, Bella on 10th Jan, Callum and Jeremy on 11th Jan, Felix on 11th Jan, Nevaeh on 12th Jan and Harper on 25th Jan. We hope you all enjoy a lovely day and how lucky having your birthday in the school holidays!

P & C News

The P & C Committee would just like to take this time to thank each and everyone of you who has supported our P & C throughout 2023. Whether you have helped in canteen, cooked and served at the Alderley Creek Catering Camps, sold raffle tickets, bought raffle tickets, supported our meetings and become a member of our P & C, coordinated uniforms, attended information sessions, helped with our Fun Run and sponsorship of children - the list is endless, however we thank you all! We have supported our school, our students and our teaching staff in so many ways this year. Although ready for a good long break we are looking forward to a new year with lots of great successes on the horizon. THANK YOU! We look forward to your continued help and support in 2024.

Wattle's Christmas List

Mrs Munn helped Wattle students prepare and deliver this lovely poem at Presentation Day.

MACK AND RAHNI

This is Wattles Christmas Wish List

We didn't mean for it to be this long.

One thing we do know,

It is quicker than a song.

BAILEY AND ISLA

This is Wattles Christmas Wish List

Mrs Wilson we even wrote to you about this!

Our class pet for next year should be a penguin,

At least it wont bite or hiss!

RUBY AND RUBY

This is Wattles Christmas Wish List

Mrs Fletcher all year we have had fun.

You even organised a sleepover for us

Next year can we have another one?

DARCEY AND KOKO

This is Wattles Christmas Wish List

Miss Gunn, you let us work with clay.

Next year can we make things out of sticky slime?

Hey, what do you say?

KINGSTON AND ROMNEY

This is Wattles Christmas Wish List

Miss Snowdon some of us will have you next year.

We are energetic and a little wild,

But you really have nothing to fear!

ELI AND LAYLA

This is Wattle's Christmas Wish List

Mrs Hattam next year we want you to teach our class more often.

We will work hard and be as good as gold,

And we will definitely sit on our bottom!

ZOEY AND CLEO

This is Wattle's Christmas Wish List

Mrs Murray when we see you, we love to dance and sing.

We like to act a little silly with you,

And suddenly start to go crazy and go ping ping ping!

NEVAEH AND IVY

This is Wattle's Christmas Wish List

Mrs Forbes we love to come to the library and borrow books from you.

We do try to walk around quietly but

Sometimes the library turns into a zoo!

HARPER AND PHEONIX

This is Wattle's Christmas Wish List

Mrs Waters, we come to see you for a band aid and ice pack.

We hope you don't mind we stay and chat,

Before you send us back!

VALLEY AND KOBE AND MALAKAI

This is Wattles Christmas Wish List

Miss Morris this year you showed us how to talk to trees.

We like to explore our playground each day,

Can we do this some more please?

ALL:

This was Wattles Christmas wish list

See we didn't want that much.

We had a super fun year with Mrs Fletcher and Mrs Munn,

Doing awesome activities and we learned a bunch!

HAVE A MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM ALL OF US!

Calendar 2024



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Key dates

* Check with your school as starting and finishing dates may change.

Term start and end dates*

Term 1 (Eastern): 30 January to 12 April

Term 1 (Western): 6 February to 12 April

Term 2: 29 April to 5 July

Term 3: 22 July to 27 September

Term 4: 14 October to 20 December

School development days, students do not attend

Term 1 (Eastern): 30 January and 31 January

Term 1 (Western): 6 February and 7 February

Term 2: 29 April

Term 3: 22 July

Term 4: 19 December and 20 December

School vacation dates

Summer (Eastern): 20 December 2023 to 29 January 2024

Summer (Western): 20 December 2023 to 5 February 2024

Autumn: 15 April to 26 April

Winter: 8 July to 19 July

Spring: 30 September to 11 October

Summer (Eastern): 23 December 2024 to 30 January 2025

Summer (Western): 23 December 2024 to 6 February 2025

Public holidays



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School zone speed limits apply

on all school days, including school development days.

