

Wallendbeen Public School Bulletin

Term Dates for 2018

Term 1—30/1/18— 13/4/18

Term 2 - 1/5/18 —6/7/18

Term 3 - 24/7/17 —28/9/18

Term 4 - 15/10/18 — 19/12/18

Friday, 7th February, 2018



"From Small Beginnings"
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PRINCIPALS REPORT

Dear Parents,

We have certainly started 2018 with a BANG!!! Last week we attended our interschool swimming carnival with Stockinbingal and we won!... First time since we started our interschool competitions four years ago. I attribute our win to the fantastic "have a go" attitude made by all our students. I was so proud of the enthusiasm of all our students who participated in every event they could. Your sportsmanship qualities were outstanding. A special mention to Kacey, who swam 50 metres breaststroke for the first time. Well done!

Friday we travelled to Binalong for the Small School Swimming Carnival – once again all our students participated in every event possible and enjoyed the pleasure of participating. A special mention to Josey who won the Runners Up Junior Girls medallion. Great effort!

Baldry Shield is fast approaching and we will be ramping up our training next week. Mrs Ward is looking for volunteers to assist in any way, especially with donations of cakes, slices, biscuits that can be sold on the day.

We will also be running an Easter Raffle which will be drawn at the Shield. We are seeking donations of Easter Eggs, any contribution can be left at the school. Thank you for your support.

Have a great fortnight.
Mrs Toni Daly

2018 Term 1 diary dates to remember

23 Feb — District Swimming Carnival

12 Mar — Swimming lessons start (2 weeks)

21 Feb — Tentative Baldry Shield date

13 Apr — Last day of Term 1, 2018

P&C Meeting

Our first P&C meeting for 2018 will be held on Tuesday 13th February at WPS in the library. There will be lots of items to discuss in preparation for our Annual Baldry Shield.

[All welcome.](#)

SAVE THE DATE!!!!!!

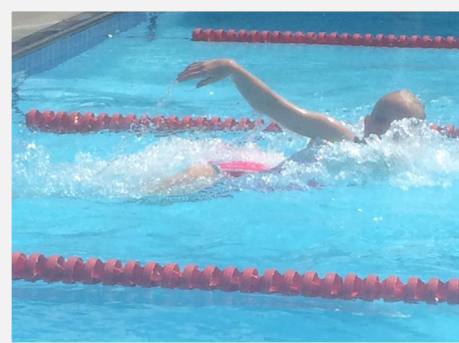
We have a tentative date for our Baldry Shield which will be either:

Wednesday 21st March, 2018 OR

Friday 23rd March 2018 **(to be confirmed this week)**

We need as many helpers on board as we can. Whether it is with baking, cooking the BBQ, working in the canteen or selling raffle tickets. **All help is GREATLY appreciated.**

Week 2 Swimming carnivals



How important is ART???

For many years the Department of Education has understood the value of art in its curriculum and here at Wallendbeen Public School we see many benefits the arts have on the learning outcomes of our students. Music, choir, dance, drama and art all subjects which are not only compulsory as per our curriculum, they are also providing many other benefits to your child's learning.

As quoted from: **Art for Art's Sake? The Impact of Arts Education**

Arts education is often said to be a means of developing critical and creative thinking. Arts education has also been argued to enhance performance in non-arts academic subjects such as mathematics, science, reading and writing, and to strengthen students' academic motivation, self-confidence, and ability to communicate and co-operate effectively. Arts education thus seems to have a positive impact on the three subsets of skills that we define as "skills for innovation": subject-based skills, including in non-arts subjects; skills in thinking and creativity; and behavioural and social skills.

We are proud of our rich arts program that compliments and extends our key learning areas.

It was lovely to receive some photos and an update from our 2017 School Captain, Lochlan Philp—regarding his smooth start to his Riverview adventure. He is having a wonderful time and has made many new friends.

