

# Newsletter

Every Student Matters, Every Moment Counts



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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL – COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS

Once again we find ourselves in the midst of another COVID-19 outbreak resulting in a three-day lockdown over the long weekend. This requires Wellard PS to implement a range of restrictions to align with Government requirements until Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> May at 12:01am. These are as follows:

- Parents/Carers are allowed on site to drop off and pick up students. Please do this and then immediately leave the school grounds.
- Masks are required to be worn by all adults and secondary students when entering the grounds.
- Teaching staff are permitted to remove their mask while teaching.
- Primary Students are not required to wear a mask.
- Only staff and students are able to attend Assemblies.

I will endeavour to keep the school community informed about school organisation matters as they evolve. Please ensure you are able to access Connect as this will be our main mode of communication. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries.

## ASSEMBLY CANCELLED (ROOM 7, YEAR ONE)

As parents are not able to attend assemblies we have cancelled the assembly for this Friday in the hope that we can reschedule it in the near future. I know that parents highly value these opportunities and we will, where possible, make changes to maximise parent involvement.

## WELCOME MR COLLARD

I am very pleased to welcome Mr Dylan Collard who will be delivering Noongar to all students from Years 1 – 6 at Wellard PS. Mr Collard is a Wadjak and Ballardong Noongar man who has lived in many places throughout Noongar boodja (country). He is passionate about learning and sharing his language and culture and ensuring this language, which has been spoken on this land for over 60,000 years, continues to be spoken in the future. He is a qualified

Noongar language teacher, and he has been teaching Noongar for Two Years. Welcome Mr Collard!!

## CONGRATULATIONS!!

Congratulations to Mr & Mrs Cammarano on the safe arrival of their son Luca born on the 17<sup>th</sup> April weighing 3.08kg. All are doing well. I would also like to congratulate Miss Gooden, who has now become Mrs Neidig over the holiday period.

## REPORTING TO PARENTS

I recently had an in-depth look at the Parent Survey that was administered towards the end of last year. When asked “What can we do better?” there was a common response from parents about being more informed on a regular basis about the progress and achievement of their child. Currently, we send home Student Reports at the end of Semester One and Two and have an Open Night in Term Three so that parents/carers can view their child’s work. On other occasions, teachers organise a meeting with parents in regards to signing Documented Plans or when he/she has a concern about a child. Having 20 plus students in the class, with parents who may have different expectations in regards to reporting, makes it very difficult for the teacher to accommodate everyone’s needs. I encourage ALL parents and carers to organise a meeting with your child’s teacher if you want more information on their progress and achievement.

## P&C MEETING

Our next P&C Meeting will occur at 1.45pm in the Staffroom on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> May provided current restrictions do not change. We are currently able to have a gathering of 20 adults, something we have not achieved at a P&C Meeting in some time. I would like to acknowledge and thank Mrs Nicole Peart who is resigning from her position as Secretary. Nicole has made a significant contribution to our P&C over the last three years and has been pivotal in organising many of the fundraising activities. Thank you Nicole for your contribution and hopefully you will return in due course. It would be great to see some new faces at our meetings. They are being held at 1.45pm to encourage parents to attend just prior to picking up their children.

## KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS FOR 2022

Wellard PS is now taking enrolments for Kindergarten for 2022. Enrolments will close on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> July (Week 1 Term 3). *It is most important that you enrol your Kindergarten child for next year as soon as possible.* Please speak with neighbours etc. who you know need to enrol their child. To be eligible for enrolment, students need to be born between 1<sup>st</sup> July 2017 and 30<sup>th</sup> June 2018. When enrolling your child, you will need to come into the office and provide the following:

- Copy of your child's Birth Certificate
- Up to date Immunisation History Statement Record
- Proof of Address that you reside in our local intake area – preferably a utility bill in your name that is no older than three months.

Please note that students who live within our local intake area will be prioritised for enrolment. Our local intake area can be found within "Schools Online" on the Department of Education's website.

## SWIMMING LESSONS (PP – Yr 6)

Students in all public primary schools have the opportunity to attend swimming lessons for two weeks of the school year. These lessons are very valuable and provide students with the opportunity to become competent swimmers over time. I strongly recommend that all students participate so they have increased confidence around water and are able to help themselves (and others) if they get into difficulty. *It is well known that children who do not learn to swim as a child do not take the time to learn as an adult. Having your children learn to swim as a child is doing them a favour for later in life.*

Students from Wellard (PP – Yr 6) will be participating in swimming lessons in Weeks 6 - 9 of this term. Lessons are not available to Kindergarten students as they only attend 2 or 3 days a week and they are too young to organise themselves. Lessons will take place at the Kwinana Requatic Centre. Students will travel to and from the pool by bus. Please note that we have engaged the services of a bus company that provides seatbelts for the safety of students and staff which does increase the costs slightly. The cost will be \$55 per child which includes the cost of the bus as well as pool entry. The lessons are provided at no cost to parents. Information was sent out to parents last week.

## NAPLAN (THE NATIONAL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM – LITERACY & NUMERACY)

All students in Years 3, 5, 7 & 9 across Australia in both public and private schools will participate in the NAPLAN tests in Weeks 4 and 5 of this term. This year all students will participate in online testing other than Year 3 Writing which will still be written.

I would like parents and guardians to note that as a school we try to play down the importance of these tests to students. We are conscious of the impact these tests may have on the anxiety levels of some students and for that reason we don't make a "big deal" about them. The major purpose of NAPLAN is to provide schools, parents and caregivers with information about student performance in relation to nationally-agreed proficiency bands and benchmarks. The results also allow schools, parents and caregivers to monitor students' achievements over time. *Parents are asked to contact the school to inform us if your child is absent so that we can make arrangements for your child to be tested at another time during that week. Please note that students can only be tested within the timetabled week.* Please see your child's teacher if you have any questions.

## DISABLED PARKING BAYS

I would like to remind all school community members that the Disabled Parking Bays are only for those vehicles that have ACROD stickers. Please, DO NOT park in these bays at any time unless your vehicle is stickered accordingly.

## REGULAR ATTENDANCE

Regular attendance is essential to all students making progress over time. Students who attend less than 90% (miss 5+ days a term) are deemed to be at educational risk. This means a child is at risk of not reaching their potential as significant gaps will start to appear in their learning. Obviously absences cannot be avoided if a student falls ill but I ask all parents to consider the ramifications of frequent absences or those absences associated with long periods of time. Every minute of every day matters!

## STUDENT BEHAVIOUR

I would like to commend all students on their excellent behaviour in Term One; it is great to see we have so many responsible students. I would like to reiterate the school does not and will not tolerate bullying in any form. It is vital that the school works in close partnership with parents and carers in ensuring that all students are able to attend school in a friendly caring and nurturing environment. I encourage ALL parents and carers to contact the school immediately if you believe your child is being bullied. It is preferable that your child speaks with a staff member immediately after the incident so we can deal with the situation very quickly at school.

## VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS

Payment of Voluntary Contributions is now due. Funds raised through these contributions are used to purchase resources etc. to complement the educational programs we run throughout the school.

Thank you to those families who have already paid their contributions. As a school we are always conscious of the costs we seek from parents in relation to educational activities.

### Kindergarten – Year 6 - \$60 per child per year.

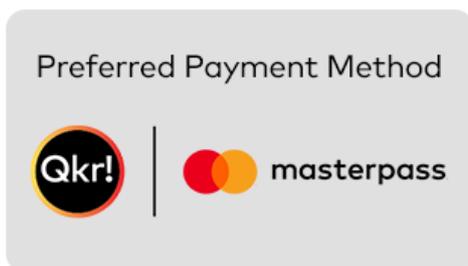
Our preferred way of payment is by using our Qkr App, please see attached PDF for details.

School contributions can also be paid at the office or by direct deposit.

Account Name: Wellard Primary School

**(Please use the student's surname as reference)**

BSB: 066 040 Account Number 19901412



### CLEANING WATER BOTTLES

As part of our Crunch and Sip program, students are permitted to have a water bottle on their desk. It is most important these water bottles are cleaned on a regular basis. This can be done by using dishwashing soap and hot water or the bottle can be sanitised by using a dilute bleach solution of 1 teaspoon bleach and 1 teaspoon of baking soda in 1 quart of water. Allow the solution to sit in the bottle overnight, then thoroughly rinse and dry the bottle before using it again.

### STRANGER DANGER

As it is the beginning of the Term, I urge you all to talk to your child or children about walking safely to and from school. Following are some suggestions to help your child/children stay safe. Please ask your child to:

- Always travel in company
- Walk on the right hand side of the road so you face oncoming traffic
- Wherever possible, leave space between yourself and the roadway
- Stay in areas that are well lit

- Stay in view – avoid going into areas that are hidden from view (such as parkland bush or behind shopping centres) and plan trips to avoid such locations
- Be alert – earphones and headphones can reduce your awareness considerably
- If you have a mobile phone, have it turned on and ready to dial an emergency number
- If a passing car stops nearby never get too close
- Do not hesitate to run from a situation in which you feel at risk
- Provide this advice to brothers and sisters, especially if younger
- Report suspicious behaviour to parents, school and the police, noting number plates of cars and/or clothing or distinguishing features of individuals.

Remember to call 131 444 or the local station to report an incident to police or 1800 333 000 to reach crime stoppers. Only call 000 in case of an emergency.

### TERM PLANNER

Please refer to our school website (<https://wellardps.wa.edu.au>) for the Term Planner and noticeboard. I find Google Chrome works better than Internet Explorer when accessing the site. By clicking on the "CALENDAR" you will be able to access the planner and then click on the event (in most events) for more information.

### ANZAC CEREMONY

Our ANZAC Ceremony was conducted last Friday 23rd April and was well attended by parents and carers. I would like to thank Mrs Gibson on doing such a wonderful job in organising this event as well as Ms Makanza in organising the choir and the bugler. A big thank you to the Rawiri-Tau family on performing the Haka.

*Have a great term everyone!!*

Geoff Miller

Principal

Email: [geoff.miller@education.wa.edu.au](mailto:geoff.miller@education.wa.edu.au)

# Merit Awards

## Term 1, Week 8, Assembly

EC4	Aiden Pradhithyan	Room 13	Aishi Aarav
EC7	Harlee Dylan	Room 14	Xavier Arsema
EC8	Naksh Ruhi	Room 18	Levi Gurasees
Room 2	Anvaya Oliver	Room 19	Alvan Bindi
Room 4	Christine Stella	Room 21	Tiana Ray
Room 5	Shayaan Kovin	Music	Miere-Rosa Isatu
Room 8	Cash Elise	Phys Ed	Everly Eric
Room 9	Jazmyne Jay	Art	Bindi Daniel.

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### Step 2 Register

Select your Country of Residence as 'Australia' and follow the steps to register

### Step 3 Find our school

Our school will appear in 'Nearby Locations' if you're within 10kms of the school, or search for our school by name.

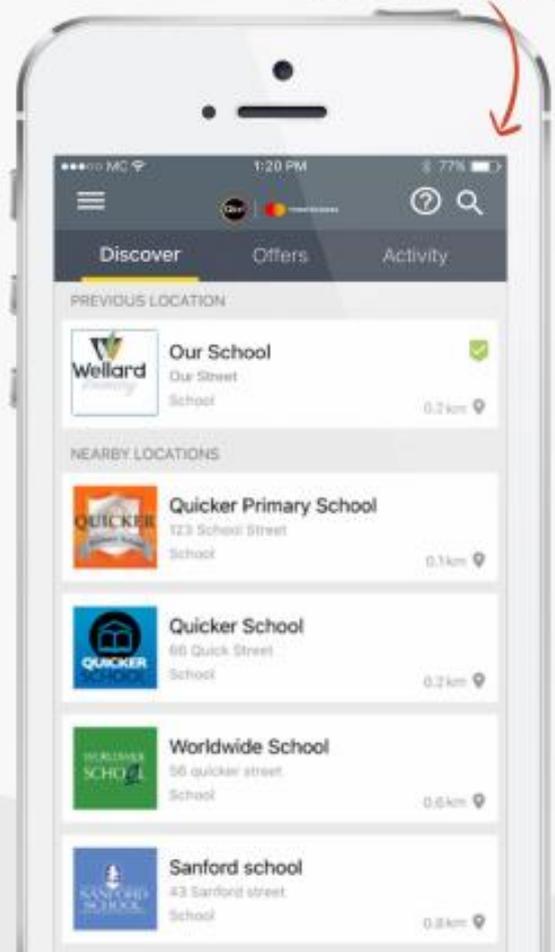
### Step 4 Register your children

When first accessing our school you will be prompted to add a student profile for your child. This allows you to make orders and payments for them.

If you have made a purchase you can select our school from 'Previous Location'

If you're within 10 kms of the school, you can select our school from 'Nearby Locations'

Search for our school name





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## Add your children's details in Student Profiles

Select  
'Add student profile'



Add each  
child's details



Manage each  
child's details in  
Student Profiles



## Purchase school items

Select a menu  
from our school



Select child  
you are  
ordering for



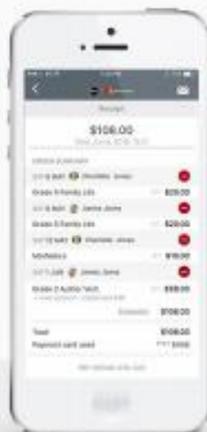
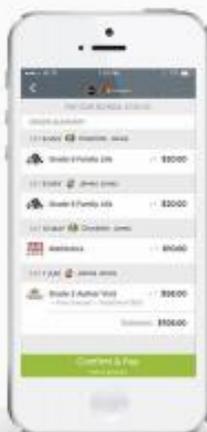
Select your items



Tap 'Checkout'  
then confirm and pay

## Making payments

Add up to 5 cards to your wallet



At checkout select which card to  
pay with.

Pay with any cards accepted  
by the school.

Once your payment is approved you  
can continue to the home page, or  
view your receipt.

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are required to keep the canteen running. If you are able to give the canteen some of your time, please see me at the canteen or email me on [wellardcanteen@gmail.com](mailto:wellardcanteen@gmail.com).

NO EXPERIENCE REQUIRED.

Thank You

Linda Horsten

Canteen Supervisor

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Parents wishing to order online can sign up to Quickclq at [www.quickclq.com.au](http://www.quickclq.com.au)

Online Orders must be placed before 8:30am on or before the day the lunch order is required. Orders can be made at the counter or left in a drop box on the canteen counter with correct money enclosed.

Orders are taken over the counter between 8.30am to 9am.

Wellard Primary School Canteen complies with the Department of Education's *Healthy Food and Drink (HFD) Policy*, so all food and drink are chosen using the *Traffic Light System* and the *Buyers Guide*. The ratio of the menu is 60% or above Green and 40% or below Amber.

Choices

Carefully

Included On Menu



(G) Green Healthy

(A) Amber Select

(R) Red Not

The canteen is '**Allergy Aware**' so if your child has a food allergy please be sure to contact the Canteen Supervisor with your child's allergy information. Please ensure that your child's allergy is marked on their lunch order bag each time an order is placed.

The School Canteen is operated by the Wellard P & C to provide a service and to raise funds. Although we have a Canteen Supervisor, we are still in need of volunteers for the canteen to function on a day to day basis. Volunteers are needed from 8.30am to 1pm and your morning tea and lunch will be provided. Your children will love to see you in the canteen volunteering!!!!!!

SANDWICHES		WELLARD PRIMARY SCHOOL MENU TERM 2		LUNCH	
<b>Wholemeal or Hi Fibre White</b>		<p>Parents and Citizens (P&amp;C) Association</p>		<b>Cheese Burger with Salad</b> \$4.50	
Vegemite	\$2.50			<b>Crumbed Chicken Wrap (Lettuce, Cheese, Avocado &amp; Mayo)</b> \$4.50	
Ham & Salad	\$3.50			<b>Pasta of the Month</b> \$4.00	
Tuna & Salad	\$4.50			<b>Salad Tray (Lettuce, Tomato, Carrot &amp; Cucumber with Balsamic Dressing)</b> \$4.00	
Chicken & Salad	\$4.50			Extras: Hardboiled egg, Cheese, Ham or Crumbed Chicken Prices start from 50c - \$2.00	
Egg & Salad	\$4.00			<b>Mrs Macs Sausage Roll</b> \$3.50	
extra Cheese	50c			<b>Mrs Macs Spinach &amp; Ricotta Roll</b> \$3.50	
Cheese	\$2.50			<b>Mrs Macs Beef Pie</b> \$4.00	
Ham & Cheese	\$3.00			<b>Hot Dog</b> \$3.00	
Tomato & Cheese	\$3.00			<b>Chicken Nuggets with salad</b> \$4.00	
Chicken & Cheese	\$3.50	<b>Salad Cup</b> \$1.00			
Add 50c for Toasting		<b>RECESS</b>		<b>Corn on the Cob</b> \$1.00	
<b>DRINKS</b>		<b>Seasonal Fresh Fruit Cup</b> \$1.00		AVAILABLE THURSDAY & FRIDAY ONLY.	
Plain Milk 225ml	\$2.00	<b>Veg Sticks &amp; Dip</b> \$1.00		<b>Sushi (5 Piece)</b> \$6.00	
Flavoured Milk 300ml	\$2.50	<b>Yoghurt Cup (Stewed Fruit &amp; Honey Oats)</b> \$1.50		(Tuna or Teriyaki Chicken or Vegetable)	
Banana, Chocolate, Strawberry, Spearmint		<b>Slinky apple</b> \$1.00		AVAILABLE MONDAY & THURSDAY ONLY.	
<b>Popper Juice 250ml</b> \$2.00		<b>Pancake</b> 50c		<b>Pizza:</b> \$4.00	
Apple, Orange, Tropical or Apple & Blackcurrant.		<b>Popcorn</b> 50c		(Cheese, Vegetarian or Ham and Pineapple)	
<b>Bottled Water 350ml</b> \$1.50		<b>Jelly Cup</b> \$1.50			
<b>SAUCE PER SACHET</b>		<b>Hash Brown</b> 50c			
Tomato Sauce	50c	<b>Cheesie (Tuesday Only)</b> \$1.00			
BBQ Sauce	50c	<b>TUESDAY &amp; FRIDAY ICE-CREAMS 12:50-1:10PM</b>			
Mayonnaise	50c	<b>Paddle Pops (choc, strawberry, rainbow)</b> \$2.00			
		<b>Quelch Fruit Stick</b> \$1.00			
		<b>Frozen Orange Cups</b> \$1.00			
		<b>ALL ITEMS SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE</b>			



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## Using your NDIS plan



Come along to this information session to learn more about using your NDIS plan with the team from Wanslea.

After a general presentation there will be the opportunity to ask individual questions in a confidential space.

Booking is essential for both the information session and free crèche.

**Thursday 29 April 2021**

**9.00am to 11.00am**

**Facilitated by Early Childhood team from Wanslea  
For families with children from birth to 6 years of age**

**Crèche  
provided**

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