

Newsletter

Every Student Matters, Every Moment Counts



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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

National NAIDOC Week celebrations are held across Australia in the first week of July each year (Sunday to Sunday), to celebrate and recognise the history, culture, and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. NAIDOC Week is an opportunity for all Australians to learn about First Nations cultures and histories and participate in celebrations of the oldest, continuous living cultures on earth. At Wellard, we have chosen to celebrate NAIDOC Week during Week 11. The theme for 2023 is "Keep the Fire Burning. Blak, Loud and Proud".

This year's theme "Keep the Fire Burning. Blak, Loud and Proud", celebrates the strong spirit of our communities. We want everyone to come together and support each other, making sure that everyone's voices are heard. The fire symbolizes the lasting power and energy of Indigenous cultures. Even though they've faced tough times, their traditions have been passed down through generations. It shows how connected they are to the land, to each other, and to their rich history. As we recognize this symbol, we're lighting the flame of pride and togetherness. It reminds us to keep honouring, protecting, and sharing the cultural heritage that makes our country special.

Students at Wellard PS will be participating in a range of activities focussing on the "Keep the Fire Burning. Blak, Loud and Proud" theme. This will include:

- Deadly Discos and Free Dress (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island colours – Red, yellow, black, green, blue & white) – Friday 28th June
- Noongar Animal Book Competition
- Kwobidak Kaal (Beautiful fire) displays – representing this year theme "Keep the fire burning. Blak, Loud and Proud"
- NAIDOC Rotations & Community Morning Tea – Wednesday 26th June
- Rock Painting – art installation
- Story Time with our Noongar Teacher, Mrs Titko

Please look out for further on information on Connect and Facebook in the coming weeks.

SEMESTER 1 REPORTS

Student reports will be available on Connect on Monday 24th June (Pre-primary to Year 6). Kindergarten Student Reports will be only available via a printed copy. These will be handed out Monday 24th June/Tuesday 25th June. *This year, all students will receive a printed copy of their report to take home to share with parents.* Parents are most welcome to organise a teacher interview if required.

WA STUDENT ASSISTANCE PAYMENT

The WA Student Assistance Payment is offering parents and carers \$150 for each primary school aged child, including those in Kindergarten. You should have received a Connect message with details on how to get these funds. To be eligible, you'll need a valid WA Student Number (WASN), which you can find on your child's Semester 2, 2023 report. If your child is in Kindergarten or Pre-primary, you can get this number from their teacher as they haven't received it yet. Remember, the deadline for accessing this payment is **Friday, June 28th, 2024.**

VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS

It's time to make voluntary contributions for the school year. These contributions help us buy resources and support our educational programs. Thank you to the families who have already paid.

The easiest way to pay is through our Qkr App. You can also pay at the school office or through direct deposit:

Account Name: Wellard Primary School
Reference: Please use the student's surname
BSB: 066 040 Account Number: 19901412

Preferred Payment Method



masterpass

KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS FOR 2025

We're accepting enrolments for Kindergarten for 2025 Enrolments will remain open until Friday, July 19th (Week 1, Term 3).

Enrolling your child for Kindergarten next year is crucial, so please spread the word to your neighbours and friends who need to enrol their child. To be eligible for enrolment, students must have been born between July 1st, 2020, and June 30th, 2021.

When enrolling your child, please visit the school office and bring the following documents:

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

We've already received 84 enrolments out of a possible 120 placements. Please note that priority will be given to students residing within our local intake area. You can find our local intake area on the Department of Education's website under "Schools Online".

WINTER SPORTS CARNIVAL

Get ready for an exciting day of sportsmanship! On Thursday, June 20th, during Week 10, a group of our talented Year 5 and Year 6 students will be showcasing their skills at a Winter Sports carnival. These students have earned their spots through trials in their chosen sports: Netball, Aussie Rules, Soccer, and Hockey.

Here are the important details:

- Date: June 20th, 2024
- Time: Departure from School: 8:45 am, Return: 2:45 pm
- Venue:
 - Gilmore College (Netball B Team only)
 - Thomas Oval (Aussie Rules, Hockey, Soccer, & Netball A Team only)

Let's cheer on our students as they compete at Thomas Oval and Gilmore College. Go team!

UNIFORMS

With winter now here, it's the perfect time to ensure your children are prepared with warm, cozy and comfortable school uniforms. Our winter uniforms are designed to keep students warm while maintaining the school's dress code.

You can purchase our school uniforms online at www.nellgray.com.au or visit the Uniform Concepts Jandakot Store in person at 26 Solomon Road, Jandakot.

ASSEMBLIES

On Friday Room 17 (Mrs Johnsen – Year 5) & 18 (Miss Parkin – Year 5) held their assembly. The next assemblies are as follows:

- Week 9, Friday 14th June – Room 6 (Miss Rindel – Year 4) and Room 13 (Miss Daniels – Year 4)
- Week 10, Friday 21st June – Room 27 (Miss Griffin – Year 3) and Room 5 (Miss Clay – Year 3)

Kind regards

Rebecca Lanzel-Lewis
Acting Principal
Rebecca.lanzellewis@education.wa.edu.au

GIRLS SOCCER

On the 10th of May our Wellard girl's soccer team made the state final playoffs. The girls did tremendously well, coming up against one of the best teams in the competition in the opening round. Unfortunately, the girls were unable to get a victory in their first match. However, their effort and commitment to the team over the last 5 months has been amazing. The girls finished in 8th place in the entire of Western Australia and we are all super proud of them. Well done girls.

Thank you
Matthew Paparone
[Health & Physical Education Specialist](#)

SCHOOL CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL

On the 11th June our students from Year 1 - 6 will be participating in this years School Cross Country carnival. Please look out for more information as it becomes available within the next week through your connect notices. Our students have been training since the start of this term and many have made big improvements on their personal times. The top 4 placings in Year 3 - 6 will gain entry to participate in our interschool event. We hope you come along and cheer on your child and their peers in this special event."

Thank you

Matthew Paparone
Health & Physical Education Specialist

CANTEEN NEWS

Can I please ask all parents and caregivers to be mindful when placing orders, that you have the correct day for your order. Recently there has been a few orders with incorrect dates, this causes confusion for the children when they are expecting a lunch order and it is not there.

If you child is absent, please inform the canteen directly before 10am on the day. This will ensure the order can be fully refunded or the order can be transferred to another day.

I would like to advise parents and caregivers that the canteen will not be open in Week 11 of Term 2. Our final day for orders will be Friday 21st June 2024

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Kind regards

Linda Horsten
 Canteen Manager

MERIT AWARDS			
Term 2 Week 8 Pink Assembly			
EC4	Tirivashe Agam Hollie	Room 25	Nathan Smeya Freya
EC5	Avtaaz Ivy Wairahope	Room 27	Harlee Isabella Kohyn
EC8	Santi Hadio Hartaaj Mere	Room 5	Keighton Kanika Diesel
Room 2	Lubono Andrei Chase	Room 8	Adeshveer Orlando Fateh Amira
Room 28	Alfie Tabitha	Room 14	Taiarahia Nevan Stella
Room 21	Franklin Harley Megan	Room 15	Daxton Ruby Rose
Room 22	Lara Riya	Room 17	Shourya Sophie Max Archer
		Room 18	Shanelle Ian Abhijot Saesha
		Room 10	Zainab Aylah Te-Motoi Abigail
		Art	Harnoor
		Bounce Back	Bethany Ruby
		Music	Cash
		Phys Ed	Maddison Hugo
		Science	Alice Samar Ian



Information for parents – Attendance at primary school

Going to school every day is vitally important so your child does not miss out on important ideas, concepts, knowledge and skills for future learning. At our school, we want your children to do their very best. To get the best education, they need to go to school every day. By working together, our school community can support your child's attendance.

What can you do to help?

- Have a set time for your child to go to bed at night and get up in the morning.
- Have their uniform and school bag ready the night before.
- Have a set time for breakfast.
- Set a time for daily homework activities.
- Talk about school positively.
- If running late, encourage your child to still go to school and reassure them that you will let the school know.
- Organise for your child to meet a friend before school so they can arrive at school together.
- Get involved at school through volunteering or participate in school programs, events or join the Parents and Citizens' Association.

Do you need to let the school know if your child will be away from school?

Yes, you need to let office staff know that your child will be absent from school and the reason why as soon as possible.

Having information about why a child is missing school helps us plan for their return to school and to work out whether we can provide any further help to you.

What will staff at our school do to help?

- Offer developmentally, socially and culturally responsive learning opportunities to engage students.
- Monitor every student's attendance and work with parents to overcome problems affecting attendance.
- Provide predictable routines to help students know what to expect to reduce anxiety about going to school.
- Talk with you about involving support staff such as and other agencies or organisations to help.
- Talk with you about local services that may also be able to help such as Headspace, Youthline and Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS).

For more information you can contact the school to arrange for an interpreter.



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SCHOLASTIC

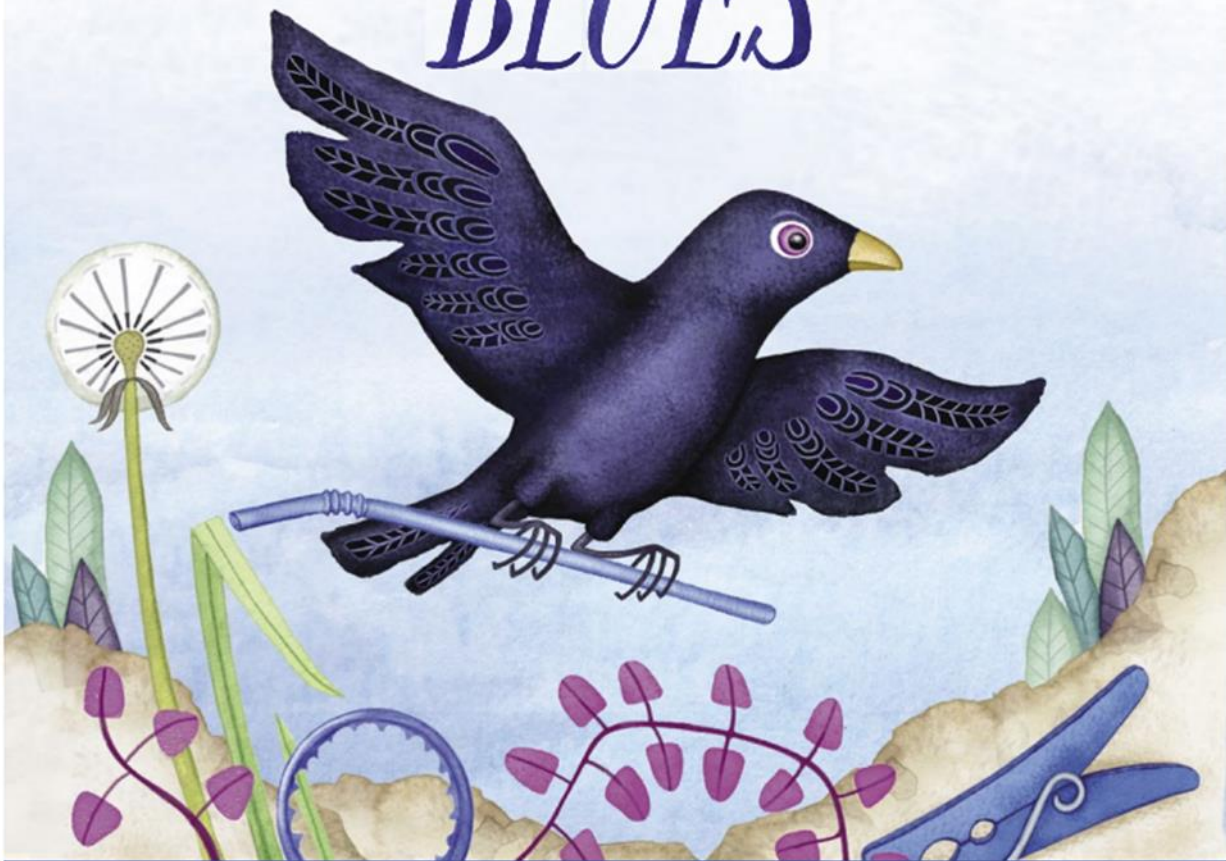
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Wellard, Western Australia

was one of 21,969 locations that shared a reading of

AURA PARKER

BOWERBIRD BLUES



NATIONAL SIMULTANEOUS STORYTIME 2024

Wednesday 22 May 2024 | www.alia.org.au/nss #LibraryStorytime

Introducing Qkr! (pronounced 'quicker') by Mastercard, the secure and easy way to order and pay for school items from your phone at a time and place that suits you.

With Qkr you can:

- Pay for a variety of school items;
- See your receipts on the app and get them sent by email if required.



Getting started is easy - try it yourself today

Step 1 Download Qkr!

on your Android phone or iPhone. iPad users can download iPhone app



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.

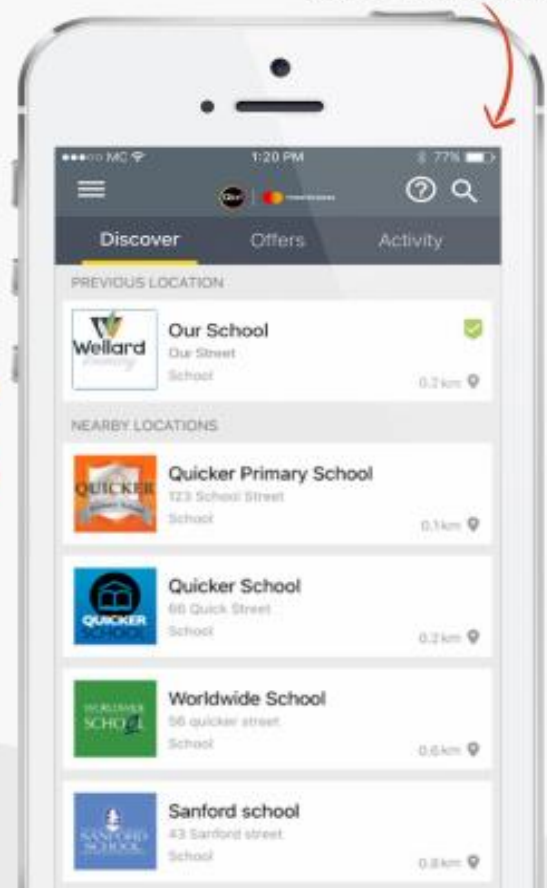
Step 4 Register your children

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





masterpass

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.