THE NORTHERN BULLETIN

4th February 2020
Term 1

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We value:
~ Positive Relationships ~
~ High Expectations ~
~ Excellent Behaviour ~

From the Principal ...

Dear Parents and Guardians,

WELCOME TO THE 2020 SCHOOL YEAR

I would like to welcome everyone to the 2020 school year. I hope the holiday period was a restful one for you all and I look forward to working with our school community again in 2020.

SUNSMART POLICY

All students are required to wear hats that protect their face, neck and ears (broad-brimmed) whenever they are outside from the 1st September through until the 30th April. Peak caps and visors are not considered a suitable alternative. As of Wednesday 5th February this will be strictly enforced.

SWIMMING TRIALS

The swimming trials for the District swimming sports will take place this Thursday, 6th February. Our Grade 3-6 students swimming lessons get underway the following week (13th February). This runs for 6 weeks and concludes on Thursday 19th March. Our District swimming carnival is on Friday 28th February at Cowes, while our House swimming sports will take place on Thursday 26th March at the YMCA. The cost for swimming for 2020 is $26 per child. The 2020 swimming charges must be finalised prior to children taking part in swimming.

ASSEMBLY AND PRINCIPAL AWARDS

For the 2020 school year all student awards will once again be announced in the school newsletter the week prior to the assembly taking place. That will give our families plenty of time to share the news and come along to celebrate student achievements. To ensure you are kept informed with this please make sure you have up to date Compass access. If you need assistance with this please contact the office.

ANNUAL PICNIC

Save the date. Our annual picnic will take place on Tuesday 18th February from 5:00pm. Further details will be provided in next week's newsletter.

NEWSLETTER HARD COPY REQUESTS

Our newsletter will be provided weekly on a Tuesday. The preferred mode of accessing this will be electronically via Compass. If you would like a hard copy please contact the office.

COMPASS PARENT INFORMATION SESSION

On Friday 7th February from 3pm Mrs Kylie Strickland will be running a compass information session in the staffroom. Items to be covered will include logging on for the first time, explaining absences and accessing news feeds. Any other questions or issues can be addressed too.

Regards,

Andrew Strickland
PRINCIPAL

2020 CALENDAR

FEBRUARY

Thurs 6	WNPS Gr 3-6 swimming trials
Fri 7	Confidential Information packs due back Compass session in the staffroom 3pm
Wed 12	PFA meeting 2pm - conference room
Thurs 13	Gr 3-6 swimming program commences Bookclub orders and payment due
Tues 18	WNPS Family Picnic 5pm to 6.30pm
Fri 21	District swimming for selected students
Mon 24	Responsible Pet Ownership Gr Prep-2
Fri 28	Divisional Swimming for selected students

MARCH

Fri 6	Curriculum Day - **(no students at school this day).**
Mon 9	Labour Day - **(no students at school this day).**
Tues 10	Parent Teacher Interviews 3.50 - 6.30pm
Wed 11	Parent Teacher Interviews 3.50 - 6.00pm
Thurs 19	School Photos
Thurs 26	Gr 3-6 swimming carnival

APRIL

Mon 13	Easter Monday - **(no students at school this day).**
Mon 20 - Wed 22	Life Ed Van
Fri 24	District Aths for selected students

SCHOOL ASSEMBLY
Monday 2.50pm

TUESDAY IS NUDE FOOD DAY
Please bring a rubbish free lunch

BREAKFAST CLUB
Tuesday & Wednesday 8.15am to 8.45am

SCHOOL BANKING
Wednesday

SUSHI 2019 - $3.00 each
Wednesday-orders to office by 9.00am

CANTEEN
Thursday & Friday

2020 TERM DATES
Term 1 29 January - 27 March
Term 2 14 April - 26 June
Term 3 13 July - 18 September
Term 4 5 October - 18 December

Office Hours: 8.30am - 4.00pm

2020 SWIMMING PROGRAM - GRADES THREE TO SIX

Swimming/water familiarisation is a very important component of our physical education program. Students in Grades Three to Six will begin their swimming program at the Wonthaggi Aquatic Centre commencing **Thursday 13th February**. Swimming is invoiced separately to your booklist charges and notices are being sent home today. The cost for swimming for 2020 is $26 per child. The 2020 swimming charges must be finalised prior to children taking part in swimming.

Permission notices and payment are now overdue.

INFORMATION PACKS

Information packs have been sent home to families recently. Please complete necessary changes to confidential student information forms and return to the office by **Friday 7th February.**

PREP STUDENTS

We welcome our new Prep students and their families to the school. A reminder that Prep students will attend school from 9.00 am until 3.25 pm on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday until the week beginning Monday 9th March. Well done for an excellent start Grade Prep.

CAMPS 2020

MAY
Grade 5/6 Urban Camp
18th May 2020 - 20th May 2020

SEPTEMBER
Grade 3/4 Rumbug
2nd September 2020 - 4th September 2020

STUDENT AWARDS BEING PRESENTED AT ASSEMBLY ON MONDAY 10TH FEBRUARY

PREP A	**GRADE PREP**
1A	**AXEL CROSS**
2A	**NATE BRAMSTEDT**
56B	**BATISTA DAVIS**
MUSIC	**SIENNA MORRISON**

GRADE 6 POLO SHIRTS & JUMPERS

FINAL ORDERS OF THE GRADE 6 SOUVENIR POLO AND FLEECY JUMPERS, DUE BY FRIDAY 14TH FEBRUARY.

PLEASE NOTE: WE NEED TO HAVE A MINIMUM ORDER OF (10) FOR POLO SHIRTS AND JUMPERS PER ITEM.

SCHOOL BANKING

Wednesday is our School Banking day in 2020, where students can bring in their weekly deposit.
For every deposit made at school, no matter how big or small, students will receive a cool Dollarmites token. Once students have individually collected 10 tokens they can redeem them for an exclusive School Banking reward item in recognition of their continued savings behaviour.

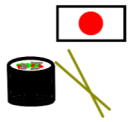
Thank you for supporting the School Banking program at Wonthaggi North Primary School.

SUSHI ORDERS

Sushi is $3.00 per roll available **Wednesdays only and orders are to be sent to the school office by 9.00am.**

Tuna Mayo and Corn
Salmon California
Chicken Teriyaki
Crab Stick California
Chicken Schnitzel
Vegetarian Salad
Spicy Tuna Mayonnaise
Avocado Mayo

Late orders cannot be accepted



BOOKCLUB

If you wish to order from this issue of book club, orders are to be returned to the school by **Thursday, 13th February**. If you are paying by cheque please make sure cheques are made payable to Wonthaggi North Primary School not Scholastic Book Club.

PREP MEDICAL FORMS

The School Nursing Program has sent out questionnaires to the Prep students. Please return forms to the school if you have not already done so.

PFA MEETING - WEDNESDAY 12TH FEBRUARY

The next PFA meeting will be held on Wednesday 12th February at 2.00pm in the conference room (1st room up past the science room). It would be great to see new parents join the PFA and support the great work that the present members do in supporting the students of the school.

Novel coronavirus (2019-nCoV)

Factsheet for schools and early learning centres

Last updated 2 February 2020

An outbreak of novel coronavirus (2019-nCoV) was detected in Wuhan, China in late December 2019. Cases have been reported predominantly in mainland China, as well as some other countries, including confirmed cases in Victoria, Australia.

What is this virus?

Coronaviruses can make humans and animals sick. Some coronaviruses can cause illness similar to the common cold and others can cause more serious diseases, including Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS) and Middle East Respiratory Syndrome (MERS).

The virus seen in mainland China is called 'novel' because it is new. It has not been detected before this outbreak. Most people infected live in, or travelled to, mainland China. It is likely that the virus originally came from an animal, and there is now evidence that it can spread from person-to-person.

What are the symptoms?

Symptoms can include fever, cough, sore throat, or shortness of breath. Symptoms can take up to 14 days to develop.

What if I have a student or staff member who has been to mainland China in the past 14 days?

The following staff, students and children should self-isolate and are advised to stay at home and avoid public settings, including attendance at schools and early childhood education services:

- People who were in Hubei Province until 14 days after they were last in Hubei Province;
- People who were in mainland China on or after 1 February 2020 until 14 days after they were last in mainland China;
- Close contacts of confirmed cases until 14 days after last close contact with the confirmed case.

Children and staff who are well and have travelled to any other countries where there have been reported cases, are NOT recommended to be excluded from schools and early childhood education services unless the following applies:

- The person is a confirmed case of novel coronavirus
- The person is a close contact with a confirmed case of novel coronavirus in the past 14 days

If you think a child, student or staff member may meet one of the above criteria please call the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) to discuss further actions on 1300 651 160.

How can we help prevent the spread of 2019-nCoV?

Practising good hand and sneeze/cough hygiene is the best defence.

Encourage all children, students and staff to:

- wash hands often with soap and water
- cough and sneeze into your elbow

Where can I get more information?

For Victorian updates to the current incident, go to: https://www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/novelcoronavirus
For Department of Education and Training updates: https://education.vic.gov.au/about/department/Pages/coronavirus.aspx
For national updates: https://www.health.gov.au/news/latest-information-about-novel-coronavirus
For international updates: https://www.who.int/westernpacific/emergencies/novel-coronavirus
WHO resources https://www.who.int/health-topics/coronavirus

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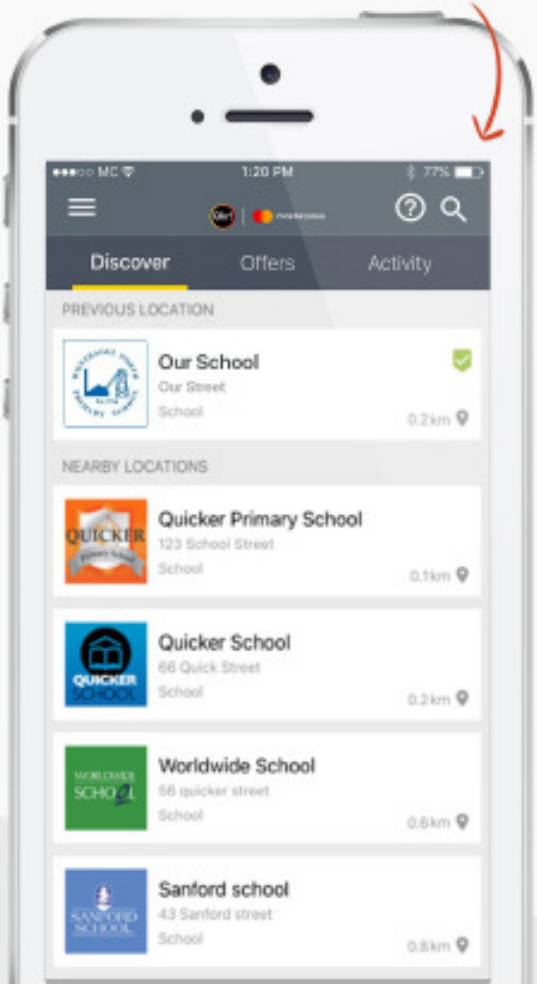
Step 4 Register your children

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.

Search for our school name

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'



CANTEEN ROSTER - 2020

Children always love to see their parents, grandparents or friends helping at school and our canteen cannot operate without volunteer help. The hours are from 12:00pm until 2:00pm on Thursday and Friday. No prior canteen experience is necessary, just a willingness to help. Canteen duty involves placing food and drinks in the classroom crates, serving children if you wish to and some washing of the dishes and sweeping the floor. If you wish to help in the canteen in 2020, please fill in the details below and return this section to the school office.

Thank you
Heather Wintle
CANTEEN MANAGER

NAME:_____

TELEPHONE:_____

I am available to assist on the following days.
(Please circle)

DAY	HOW OFTEN
THURSDAY FRIDAY	FORTNIGHLY MONTHLY

LEONGATHA GYMNASTICS

2020 Enrolments now open

Leongatha Gymnastics Club is taking enrolments for 2020.

Get in Quick before classes fill up as places are limited per class.

We offer Gymnastics (competitive and recreational), NinjaGym, Tumbling and Cheerleading as well as Under 5y.o. classes. Call 0400273658 or email leongathagymclub@hotmail.com for more information or to book a place.

Inverloch & District ASD Support Group

Supporting parents and carers of children who have autism

Parent led group: Inverloch & District Autism Spectrum Disorder Support Group

Parents, family, carers and friends of children who have an Autism Spectrum Disorder (autism, Asperger's syndrome, pdd-nos etc) are warmly invited to attend the following meeting of the Inverloch & District ASD Support Group.

Our support group meets on the first Wednesday of the month during school term.

When: **10.30am – 12.30pm**

5 Feb, 11 March, 6 May, 3 June, 5 Aug, 2 Sept, 7 Oct, 4 Nov & 2 Dec

Where: Inverloch Hub – large meeting room that opens out to the playground - 16 A'Beckett Street

Tea & Coffee provided at no cost. All welcome to join us for a cuppa and a chat, while the kids can play in the playground.

We are a parent run group providing support, information sharing and social get-togethers. For more information on services available in our local area, check out the Autism Gippsland website:

Can't make our meetings? Join us on Facebook: Inverloch & District ASD Support Group
https://www.facebook.com/groups/221088864683122/

Enquiries: Tona 0407 622 949 tonaleo@me.com or Bindi 0400 348 001

We're for girls – Wonthaggi Girl Guides

Girl Guides are a volunteer, world-wide organization for girls & women

Enabling skills in leadership, teamwork, community service, the outdoors, guiding traditions, craft & games

Come and try for two weeks

The Wonthaggi Girl Guides have spaces available for new girls to join in Term 1 2020!

We meet on Monday nights at the Wonthaggi RSL hall (60 Graham street) :

Rainbow Guides at 4.30 and Yandiah Guides at 6 pm. (There are also Guides units at Leongatha & Phillip Island)

Being a Girl Guide opens up the world – there are 11 million Girl Guides in 145 countries.

Email Girl Guides Victoria guides@guidesvic.org.au or call (03) 8606 3500.

Local contact – Cheryl Bertrand email cbertrand@guidesvic.org.au Ph: 0408 391 035

JUNIOR FOOTBALL REGISTRATION DAY

DALYSTON FOOTBALL NETBALL CLUB

WHEN
Sunday 9th Feb, 2020

12pm - 2pm

WHERE
Dalyston Recreation Reserve
20 Tulloch Street Dalyston Vic 3992

All are Welcome to join us and meet our 2020 coaches!

There will be information for parents on the season as well as merchandise and plenty of fun activities for the kids and a BBQ Lunch !

AGES / TEAMS
Under 10's
Under 12's
Under 14"s
Youth Girls

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A Parent Education Course

At: Wonthaggi Neighbourhood Centre (Mitchell House)
6 Murray St, Wonthaggi, 3995 (fee - $15 to cover your workbook).
Day or Evening times available

On: THURSDAY's – 1pm-3pm starting 20th February till 19th March (5 weeks).

Or: THURSDAY's – 7pm- 9pm starting 20th February till 19th March (5 weeks)

PARENTS WILL LEARN:
- How to manage behaviour without arguing, yelling or smacking
- How to sort behaviour and respond accordingly
- How to handle challenging and testing behaviours
- Choosing strategies - the 3 choices model
- Using emotion coaching to encourage good behaviour
- More strategies for encouraging good behaviour

PARENTS RECEIVE: • A workbook to apply the concepts learnt to their families
• A certificate of completion

WHO IS RUNNING THE COURSE?
The course facilitator is: Russell Aitken - Family Services Case Worker - Bass Coast health.

Russell completed the 123 Magic practitioner training in: 2017

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