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WYREEMA STATE SCHOOL

From Mrs Bretz's Office:

Welcome back to Term 4. We have had a wonderful start to the term with the students and teachers powering straight into their learning. Term 4 is always a busy and wonderful term where we have the excitement of the end of year and holidays. It is a term where we truly reflect on the growth of students throughout the year and also look at transitioning into their classes for 2022. The year 6 students have begun excitedly preparing for high school and all have started their transition to their new schools for their next step in their education journey. We are organising and preparing for our Prep students who will begin in 2022. It is always wonderful welcoming our new students as they begin their primary education!

As part of our Term 4 processes, we review all documents and policies in our school. We are currently reviewing the Wyreema Pedagogical Framework. This document drives our teaching and learning. The staff are also developing one-page documents for Writing and Mathematics. These align to our current pedagogical framework and the Wyreema Reading Framework. The Department of Education and Training have also updated their Complaints Policy and Student Code of Conduct. We have made the relevant changes to ours. All relevant documents are uploaded on the school website.

Enrol, enrol, enrol for 2022. We will be finalising classes for 2022 in the next few weeks. Please 'spread the word' to families, especially our Prep students for 2022. We are able to offer 'out of catchment' places now for families, due to the expansion of our facilities!!! If you are not returning to Wyreema SS for 2022, please inform the office ASAP. Class lists will be emailed out at the end of the term.

This term, the Year 4/5 class and the Year 4 class are participating in Bike Safety with PCYC. The Year 4/5 class attended last week and the Year 4 class are attending Wednesday and Thursday of this week - weather permitting. It is a wonderful learning experience for the classes where they practise bike safety components and have a theory and practical exam at the end of each two days.

Next week is our Year 5 and 6 camp to Maranatha Recreational Camp. The students and staff are very excited about going on camp. We look forward to hearing about the activities and fun on camp. Students who are not attending camp will be supervised by Mrs Duncan and will be completing school work in that time.

We also begin swimming lessons next week at NO COST to parents. This is just fabulous. Students will have a weekly 45 minute lesson for 5 weeks. Mrs Scott has done an amazing job ensuring that this is all organised. We have used funds from the Swimming Grant, the Fun Run last year and the P&C have contributed significant funds to ensure all students can attend swimming lessons at no cost. Thank you P&C!

The students in Year 5 and 6 have been invited to participate in the first annual WYREEMA SS SPEECH COMPETITION. This competition is in preparation for the Clifton Cluster competition at Back Plains SS. Students are able to prepare a speech about any topic and present it at school to their peers and teachers. The winners of that competition will then proceed to the next round at Back Plains. Students are preparing their speeches and have been reminded to come and see me for any assistance they may require. Our WSS Speech Competition will be on October, 29.

Please print off the parent calendar for Term 4. Please be advised that this may change due to unforeseen circumstances but I am hoping all remains the same.

Have a wonderful week!

Bronwyn Bretz, Principal, Wyreema State School

Sports News

This year we will be holding a Crazy Colour Day on **Friday the 5th of NOVEMBER** to raise money for resources and sporting equipment for our school. That means we're going to get sprayed in colour powder.

We've set a fundraising target of \$12 000 and we will need everyone to participate if we are going to smash our goal!

Anyone who raises at least \$10 gets to choose a prize. The more money you raise, the better the prizes! Students can earn themselves a Tablet, a Hoverboard or even a dirt bike!

**SCHOOL
FUNRUN**



All students should have received the following:

- A sponsorship booklet
- Information letter.

The best way to raise lots of money and earn an awesome prize is to share the link with family and friends. Students can collect cash but the money needs to be returned to school by 4th of November.

Competition time:

To get our event off the ground, we're starting with a competition. The class with the most online profiles registered by MONDAY 18th of October will win a class party !!!!! To help your child's class win, simply create their profile at schoolfunrun.com.au

School Swimming

Swimming lessons begin in Week 3 of Term 4. There will be five swimming lessons on Wednesday week 3 to week 7. (Dates are listed below)

Swimming lessons will take place with TJ's Swimming school at Concordia's heated pool, on the Concordia Campus, Toowoomba. Students will be transported by bus to and from the Concordia Pool. All lessons will be conducted by registered swimming instructors.

Children will change at school prior to leaving for the pool, so it is recommended that they bring things to school to wear to the pool after removing their socks and shoes. Please ensure your child has the following each day for swimming: Towel, togs, swimming bag, goggles, swimming cap and thongs (optional). Please ensure all items are clearly marked with your child's name.

PLEASE NOTE: Students in Year 4/5 and Year 6 who are attending school camp will only attend four swimming sessions.

The dates have been finalised for swimming and are listed below:

"Swimming Days" for all students:

Week 3 – Week 7 (WEDNESDAY ONLY)

20th of October 27th of October 3rd of November 10th of November 7th of November

State Touch

Best of luck to Nate S who will be representing Darling Downs at the Touch State Under 12's Carnival in Townsville this week. We wish him all the very best.

News from the Year One Classroom

We have had a fantastic start to our final term as Year 1s. Our focus in English this term is on poetry and the study of humorous poems. Last week we read the poem "Bubble Wrap, Bubble Wrap" and identified examples of rhyme, repetition, alliteration and onomatopoeia. In Maths, we have begun looking at fractions, specifically halves, and how we use halves when we share and want to be fair. In Science, we are investigating light and sound and we will be making musical instruments using recycled items. Any donations of recycled items such as empty boxes (cereal/tissue), paper towel rolls, plastic containers with lids, post pack tubes, kitchen wrap tubes, tin cans and fabric would be greatly appreciated. The students were very excited with our first Drama lesson. We learnt about shadows and shadow puppetry, in readiness for creating our own shadow puppets, shadow puppet theatre and shadow puppet production. Swimming begins next week, and we are all super keen to show off our swimming skills in the pool. Finally, below are some great photos from our visit from the Queensland Fire and Emergency Services last term. We were lucky enough to have an in-depth tour of the fire engine and all of its cool equipment. We also got to water the oval with the fire hose. Even the teachers!! Happy Term 4 everyone.



Guidance Chatter

WELCOME TO TERM 4!

Hopefully your children are returning to school refreshed and ready for a term filled with learning, **engagement** and enjoyment. It is important to re-establish clear morning routines to allow children to transition from home to school with success.

No matter how your family operates before school, there are some key elements to a good start...

Quality Breakfast – protein is a great way to kick start brains. If your child is a reluctant morning eater or you're pressed for time, try a smoothie.

Checklist chart/chalkboard- providing a checklist means that children can navigate the essential jobs before playing and means you can limit your reminders!

Personal responsibility – packing own school bag (organising items the night before saves time too!)

The Timer- having a timer to indicate how long until its time to leave can help children be ready.



Nadine Johnston
Guidance Officer



PBL



PBL expectations:

Week 2 – I sit correctly on the bus

This week we are focusing on being safe on the bus to swimming and excursions. Students will sit correctly with their feet facing forward and seatbelt fastened and sit and talk quietly with their partner on the bus.

Week 3- I line up in Warrior Line after break times

During this week, students revisit our expectations of lining up in the warrior line. The students are reminded to wait quietly in warrior line for their teacher.

P&C NEWS

Our mango fundraiser finished last week. A big thank you to everyone who supported us in this fundraiser. We sold 107 trays in total and made of profit of \$642. Delivery will be **early November**. We have yet to be advised of a definite delivery date. As soon as we have this date locked in we will let everyone know.

We have had a change of date for our PPP day. We had locked in November 5 but it clashes with the upcoming school Fun Run. The new date for PPP day - Pirates, poppers and popcorn will be Friday November 26. All classes are invited to dress up in their best pirate gear and receive a popper and a cup of fresh popped popcorn. The PPP day deal is \$5 per child - you can purchase through flexischools or pay cash on the day.

Tuckshop: Monday and Wednesday

Uniform Shop: Monday and Wednesday 8.30 - 9am or by appointment

Next Meeting: Tuesday November 30 @ 4pm

If you have anything you'd like to add to the agenda for this meeting, please email through your item to wyreemasspandc@gmail.com by 5pm Friday November 26. If your, item isn't through to us by this time, it will automatically be added to the next upcoming meeting's agenda.

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Ear Disease is serious; it can lead to loss of hearing forever.

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Carbal Medical Services

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TALK to the five grownups on your safety network until you get the **HELP** you need

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INSIGHTS

Everyday resilience lessons for kids



Muscles need to be exercised daily if they're to remain strong, flexible and do their jobs. Resilience is no different. If it's not exercised regularly our resilience will waste away.

Resilience is developed through regular daily use. Here are some simple ways you can encourage a child or young person of any age to flex their resilience muscles every day.

Wait until mealtime

Discourage them from random snacking when they are hungry. Encourage them to wait until mealtime. By tolerating minor discomforts such as hunger, thirst or even some worries, kids get the practise needed to help them manage bigger future hurdles that may come their way. You can build your child's tolerance of discomfort by encouraging them to delaying immediate gratification even just for a few moments.

Do more than expected

Great sportspeople routinely train more than others and push through mental and physical boundaries. Encourage your child to push through boundaries and do more than expected in small ways. Perhaps they don't just clean their bedroom but tidy the living room as well. They may aim to shoot 10 goals in a row at basketball practice but keep going until they reach fifteen. Going past the finish line is wonderful resilience practice. What else can you do that would encourage your child to do more than expected on a regular basis?

Save pocket money

Did you know that when you encourage your child to save some of their pocket money rather than spend it immediately you are teaching them to delay gratification, an acknowledged resilience attribute? Asking a child to set aside some pocket money for saving, some for charity and some for spending will help develop a balanced use of pocket money. It helps if a child can develop their own savings goal, and parental suggestions can assist. The delay of an immediate reward to achieve a greater or later reward needs to be practiced if it's to become part a child's pattern of behaviour.

Make the bed

Resilience comes from doing things that we don't feel like doing and making a bed is one thing few people enjoy. The daily habit of making a bed (to the best of a child's or teen's ability) is a brilliant discipline to develop, which has the bonus of setting kids up well for a productive day at school. What other simple habits that fit into the "don't-like-to-do" basket that benefits either your child or others in the family?

Help when you don't feel like it

It's easy to help at home when they've had a good day at school or the weather is fine. It's much more difficult to step up and help set the table, put the rubbish out or hear a sibling read when they've had a bad day at school or the weather is stinking hot. The seemingly small act of sticking to commitments develops discipline and conscientiousness that contributes to a sense of resilience.

Smile when you don't feel happy

Feelings may be difficult to manage, but behaviour is a choice. Encourage kids to choose happy, or at least act happy by smiling rather than putting on a grumpy face. The brilliant thing about this strategy is that smiling changes their mood so that they begin to experience pleasant emotions.

It's the small, everyday behaviours we encourage in kids that have the greatest impact on their behaviour, wellbeing and resilience.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Date	Event
Wednesday, 13th October	PCYC Cycle Safety—Year 4
Thursday, 14th October	PCYC Cycle Safety—Year 4
Wednesday, 20th October	Swimming Prep-4 P&C Tuckshop Playgroup 9.00-10.00am
Wed, Thurs, Fri. 20-22nd October	5/6 Camp to Maranatha (Tuchekoi)
Saturday, 23rd October	Relay for life for Tayte
Wednesday, 27th October	Swimming P&C Tuckshop Playgroup 9.00-10.00am
Friday, 29th October	Day for Daniel, Wear Red for Daniel Wyreema State School Speech Competition
Wednesday, 3rd November	Swimming P & C Tuckshop Playgroup 9.00-10.00am
Friday, 5th November	Back Plains Speech Competition AM Colour Fun Run from 2.00-3.00pm
Wednesday, 10th November	Swimming P&C Tuckshop Playgroup 9.00-10.00am
Thursday, 11th November	2022 Prep Open Morning 9.30—10.30am Remembrance Day
Wednesday, 17th November	Swimming P&C Tuckshop Playgroup 9.00-10.00am
Thursday, 25th November	2022 Prep Open Morning 9.30-10.30am
Friday, 26th November	Pirates, Princess, Popper and Popcorn
Tuesday, 30th November	P&C Meeting in Library 4.00pm
Friday, 10th December	Last day of Term 4
Monday, 24th January, 2022	First day of Term 1 2022

Students of the Week

17th September, 2021 8th October, 2021

<i>Prep:</i>	Lachlan	Jethro
<i>Grade 1:</i>	Declan	Maddison I
<i>Grade 2:</i>	Emrys	Mckenzie
<i>Grade 3:</i>	Heath Biltoft	Aiden
<i>Grade 4:</i>	Liana-Fae	Grace
<i>Grade 4/5:</i>	Nick	Bree
<i>Grade 6:</i>	Jacob Voll	-
<i>PE Award:</i>	Year 2	Year 3
<i>Leaders Award</i>	-	Charlee
<i>Principal's Award:</i>	Jaxson	Hunter
<i>Attendance:</i>	Year 1 95.65%	Grade 1 93.91%

Congratulations!

