

# Woodville Primary School

WEEK ENDING 4<sup>th</sup> March 2022

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS – IMPORTANT DATES

### TERM ONE 2022

<b>Monday 14<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<b>Labour Day Public Holiday- students do not attend school on this day</b>
Monday 21 <sup>st</sup> March	<b>School Council Annual General Meeting 5.30pm</b> <b>School Council – first meeting for 2022 6pm</b>
<b>Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March</b>	<b>School Photo Day</b>
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> April	Reporting for Parent/Carer Day – students do not attend school on this day.
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> April	Last day of term one (2pm dismissal)
<b>TERM TWO 2022</b>	
Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> April	Term two begins

## A message from the Principal Class Team...

Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

We continue to monitor and communicate updates to our school community as directed by the Department of Education & Training (DET) guidelines and the Health Department. These are communicated to all families via the newsletter, school website, email and SMS.

We are proud that the strict, safe and strategic processes and actions implemented at our school has resulted in no school closures for Woodville over the past two years. We have received one shipment of Air Purifiers with a total of 21 placed around the school. This is not enough for all classrooms and learning spaces, which has meant that classrooms and areas that have adequate cross-ventilation do not have air purifiers. We have also received and distributed two sets of Rapid Antigen Tests (RATs) to all students and will distribute further test kits next Monday.

We appreciate that our families have been (and continue to be) supportive of the COVIDSafe practices we have implemented at our school. This has included: - Parents not entering the school grounds - Parents/visitors wearing masks when visiting the office - Visitors providing proof of triple vaccination status via the Vic Services App when visiting the school - Students in years 3 - 6 wearing masks – Many students in years Prep – 2 wearing masks indoors despite no mandate - Parents contacting the school immediately when there is a positive COVID-19 case in the family - Parents ensuring their children take a Rapid Antigen Test (RAT) twice a week. Thank you to all our families for working with us and ensuring that we are doing everything possible together to limit cases numbers at our school.

Despite the pandemic, student attendance at Woodville is very good. We do however continue to see a large number of students arriving late to school. Gates and classrooms open at 8.40am (please do not send children earlier) and the school day begins at 8.50am. Students who arrive late to school not only interrupt their own learning, but they also interrupt the learning of their peers.

### Daily timetable:

8.40am	Gates open (students can enter classroom and set up for the day)
8:50am	School Begins
9:00am	Classes Begin
11.00am	First lunch
11:30am	Classes Resume
1.30pm	Second Lunch
2pm	Classes Resume
3pm	Dismissal

Wishing you a wonderful week.

**Nadia and Jodi**

**Principal Class Team**



# CONGRATULATIONS TEDDY B!

(Woodville Primary School's  
Therapy Dog in Training)

Teddy B has successfully  
Graduated Puppy School

## School photos

### School Photos 2022 – Woodville Primary School

Annual school photos including sibling photos will be taken at Woodville Primary School by Arthur Reed Photos on Wednesday 23rd March 2022.

**There is no need to return any forms or money to school.**

Unique image codes will be issued to all students **on photo day** so families can register online to view images when they become available in the web shop.

Registration is simple, just follow the 3 simple steps on your child's personalised flyer once you receive it and remember to add the codes for all your children attending this school.

Even if you registered last year, it's important that you do again this year using your child's 2022 image code to link their images for the current year with your contact details.

When images are ready to view and in the web shop, all parents who have registered will be notified by SMS and email.

**Once registered, please wait for notification that 2022 images are online to view before making your purchase.**



## Camp, Sports, Excursion Fund (CSEF)

The Camp, Sport, Excursion fund (CSEF) is available to families holding a health care or pension card. This fund provides \$125 per student to eligible families.

You will need to complete an application at the office if you

- Are a new family attending Woodville PS in 2022
- Enrolled at Woodville PS during 2021 but did not apply for CSEF
- Have received a health care/pension card in 2022
- Have a health care/pension card and did not receive CSEF in 2021

Families who received CSEF at Woodville PS in 2021 do not need to re-apply. Centrelink will automatically check your eligibility and authorise the CSEF payment.

If you are unsure as to whether your family is eligible, or you need to complete an application form please enquire at the office.

## Our School Expectations

*Together We Are Safe, Together We Are Respectful, Together We Achieve*

Prep	00A	Archie G
	00B	Edith C
Grade 1	1A	Lincoln McA
	1B	Liam V P
	1C	Aedan I
Grade 2	2A	Rihanna G
	2B	Liana O
	2C	Hamza S
Grade 3 & 4	34A	Nate G-H
	34B	Fahmida M
	34C	Scarlett S
	34D	Amal B
	34E	Sarah N
	34F	Achoal A
Grade 5 & 6	56A	Abhijot S
	56B	Cashis A
	56C	Wyatt P-T
	56D	Mitchell U
	56E	Nina P
SPECIALISTS	Visual Art	Scarlett-Jane P
	LOTE	Sumaiya Mukarram A
	Physical Education	Kenzie P
	Music	Ava M
	EAL	Sose P T

*Woodville Kids Are Friendly Kids Awards will be presented to students on Monday morning (8.50am).  
Unfortunately, due to COVID-19 restrictions we are unable to hold an outdoor whole school community assembly.*

## P.E News

This week thirteen students represented Woodville Primary School at the Hoppers District Swimming Carnival in Werribee.

Every student competed in a variety of events throughout the day such as Freestyle, Backstroke, Breaststroke, Butterfly and Relay. A number of students were awarded first, second, third and fourth place ribbons for their races.

Woodville staff on the day were very proud of our students' efforts as well as the way they represented our school.

Special thanks to Ms Nicole Gibbens and Mr McBride for your support and encouragement.

Well done to everyone involved!



**Mr Digby**  
P.E. Teacher







## Self-Portraits

The students at Woodville have started their year in Visual art by drawing a self-portrait.

It is a great way to get back into the swing of the art room and give them a chance to compare this years' effort to what they did last year. The children are always so amazed to see how much their drawing skills have improved.

These are just some of the amazing artwork produced in the first week of the 2022 school year.

**Congratulations to Savannah 3/4F, Florence 3/4F, Jasmine 5/6B, Sisa 5/6B, Yebsira 5/6B, Byron 2A, Phoebe 2B, Kenzie 2B, Jennifer 1A, Aedan 1C, Willow 1B, Kasanita 1B, Sara 3/4E, Shae 3/4E, Phoebe 3/4E, Levi 5/6A, Trailia 5/6A, Bhavi 5/6A, Tenzin 5/6D, Ava 5/6 E, Jaaya 5/6E, Wun Dan Zau 5/6E, Navyaa 5/6E, Jack N 2C.**

**Ms Nott, Visual Art**



Please return your filled in child's 'School Nursing Program' envelope as soon as possible.



### Teddy Bear's Picnic

Our Prep students are **very** excited about the Teddy Bear Picnic **planned for next Friday 11<sup>th</sup> March.**

The picnic will be taking place outdoors (if the weather is kind to us).

Preps will bring their lunch and drink bottle to school as normal.

Preps will bring to school with them on that day a teddy or soft toy.

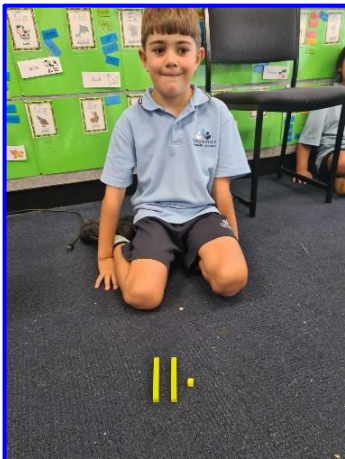
**Please** parents/carers make sure the teddies are clearly labelled with your child's name – we don't want to have any lost teddies!

We look forward to sharing with you lots of photos of the Teddy Bear Picnic in our next newsletter.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher.

### 1/2 Team News

This week in Numeracy we have been learning to count and add collections together. The students organised a variety of materials to show and count different numbers. We learnt that while sometimes we can see how many items are in a collection just by looking at it, other times we need to organise the collection into different parts to make it easier to count. Here, some of the students modelled how to make and show the number 21. As you can see, we have been focusing on organising collections into groups of ten.







### Interschool School Sports

The Summer Interschool Sports Program officially begins this Friday when we play against Wyndham Park! (Weather pretermittig)

Students had the opportunity to choose from the following sports:

- Basketball
- Cricket
- Volleyball
- Hot Shot Tennis
- Softball

We have had a great few weeks practicing our sport and the students are so excited to start playing against other schools. We can't wait to let you know how we go! Go Woodville!



### Music News

Last week the children in Grades 1 and 2 made water xylophones. They experimented with the different sounds they could make depending on how much water they put into each glass. They also took turns to play a song for their group.





## Community News... COVID-19 vaccinations for 5 – 11-year-old children

It's been really fantastic to see such excitement around the return to school and we want to keep it that way. A crucial part of that is getting as many students vaccinated as possible.

Alongside ventilation and other vital COVIDSafe steps such as regular rapid antigen testing, supporting as many students as possible to be vaccinated will help make our school as safe as possible.

Bookings for children aged 5 to 11 to receive the paediatric Pfizer vaccine are open and we encourage parents and carers to get your child vaccinated, if you haven't already done so.

The [Pfizer vaccine is safe and recommended for children](#). The vaccine will help protect your child from getting sick from COVID-19, help to reduce the spread of COVID-19, and help ensure kids can have more time at school and playing with their friends.

Vaccinations for children aged 5-11 years old are delivered at 2 appointments, 8 weeks apart.

Children with specific medical vulnerabilities can access their second dose 3 weeks after their first dose.

If you'd like more information about this, you can read a recent statement from the Australian Technical Advisory Group on Immunisation (ATAGI): <https://www.health.gov.au/news/atagi-update-following-weekly-covid-19-meeting-19-january-2022>

### To book an appointment

You can book at your local GP or pharmacy: <https://covid-vaccine.healthdirect.gov.au/booking>

You can also book at a family-friendly vaccination centre by calling the Coronavirus Hotline on 1800 675 398.

You can also make vaccination centre bookings for your children online, though you will need to use an email address that has not been used in the system before: <https://portal.cvms.vic.gov.au/>

### Helping children to get their vaccination

Vaccination centres understand that children may feel anxious about vaccination or have other support needs.

A range of options are available to help children get vaccinated. Please discuss your child's needs with the vaccination centre when you book an appointment.