



Small School Big Learning

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Newsletter

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Our Vision: Developing independent, confident and creative learners in an individualised learning environment

We value Teamwork, Respect, Responsibility & Independence

Dates to Remember

Orientation Day	Tuesday, December 12th
School Council Christmas meeting/dinner	Tuesday, December 12th
End of Year excursion	Wednesday, December 13th
Grade 6 Graduation	Friday, December 15th
Family Christmas Evening (5.30 onwards)	Monday, December 18th
Christmas Activities	Tuesday, December 19th
2023 school year concludes (1.30pm dismissal)	Wednesday, December 20th
2024 school year commences for students	Tuesday, January 30th, 2024

Mrs Cole's Column

Our recent swimming program was enjoyed by everyone as usual. Everyone showed respect to the pool staff, learned new skills, and had a great deal of fun too. Swimming certificates have arrived at school and were handed out at our last assembly.

Our end of year excursion has been booked and paid for. Thank you to the Parent Club for going beyond the 'normal' budget range to fund the students' costs. We are off to Puffing Billy to experience the Polar Express event. It will be a lot of fun, I'm sure. A notice will come out soon regarding all the details.

We will be having a student Kris Kringle for Christmas. A note has gone home with the name of the child that your child needs to purchase a gift for to the value of \$5. Please ensure that the gift arrives at school by Monday 11th December.

As you may already know we have a new student who has some anxiety around dogs. Monte, Meridith's dog,

has become our school dog two days per week and is very loved and welcomed by all, but we like to ensure that all of our students well-being is being taken care of too. Meridith has not been bringing Monte in for a couple of weeks, but we would like to integrate Monte back into school. Monte does tend to get a little excited when other dogs are around, so we ask that while we are trying to familiarise all of our students with Monte can you please not bring any other dogs into the school yard.

Orientation day is when all students get to experience the grade they will go to in 2024. It doesn't make a whole lot of difference at our school because we are all in together anyway, but our Grade 6 students will head off to secondary school for the day. We wish you all the best for a great day and making new friends in your new setting for 2024.

The Grade 6 girls are working very hard on their graduation speeches and PowerPoints ready to present them on Friday 15th December at thie Grade 6 Graduation. We wish them a wonderful night and all the best in the future.

Our family Christmas night will be held on Monday 18th December commencing at 5.30pm. Bring along your family, picnic rug or chairs, picnic/snacks/drinks. It will be a social night with the Wandin Rotary Club Citizenship Award and the Yering PS scholarship being presented on the night. There may also be a visitor from a man in a red suit.

If you are new to the school this year and have any questions about any items mentioned in the newsletter, please do not hesitate to ask me, or one of the staff.

Please note: The last day of school for 2023 is Wednesday 20th December. We conclude the day at 1.30pm

Deanna Cole
Principal

Quote for the fortnight: Respect other people's feelings. It might mean nothing to you, but it could mean everything to them.

Student of the Week Awards



Zara for working more independently in her writing.

Izac for listening to feedback and improving his soccer kick.

Keira for displaying competence with money.

Zoey for showing great creativity and thinking skills in our integrated unit.

Parent Club

Family Disco

Thank you to Jess for her DJ skills at the disco. Everyone had a good time.

Class Talk

Whole School Writing focus

Our writing focus for the rest of the term will be **transactional text**.

Transactional text includes letters, emails, texts, notes, invitations, lists, for example.

Spelling Program - Soundwaves

We have recently covered the following phonemes (sounds) – 'ou' as in cloud, 'ch' as in chick, 'sh' as in

shell, 'oy' as in boy and 'eer' as in deer. The sound box for each phoneme (sound) are shown with the most common graphemes (letter/s) that make the sound.

ou ow
cloud
flower

Sound Box

ou cloud
ow flower
ough plough
o coward

Extended Sound Box

ch tch
chicken
match

Sound Box

ch chicken
tch match
ti question
te righteous
t picture

Extended Sound Box

sh ch ti ci
shell station
chef musician

Sound Box

sh shell	sci conscious	c excruciating
ch chef	ce ocean	t ingratiate
ti station	s sure	sc crescendo
ci musician	ss tissue	che panache
si tension	ssi session	

Extended Sound Box

oy oi
boy
coin

Sound Box

oy boy
oi coin
uoy buoy

Extended Sound Box

eer ear
deer
ear

Sound Box

eer deer	e cereal
ear ear	ir souvenir
ere here	ea weary
ier fierce	eo theory

Extended Sound Box

Whole School Maths focus for Term 4

Money

Fractions and Decimals

Revising number algorithms

Data representation and interpretation

Chance

Science Focus for Term 4

Chemical Science

Material World

Integrated Studies for Term 4

Critical/Creative Thinking

Whole School

We have been writing letters to Santa, Christmas stories. Christmas invitations, Christmas lists and other Christmas activities.

In Maths, we have continued our work with money, completing worded problem-solving tasks and some assessments for reports.

Students are still working on Chance with Meridith.

We have continued to work on creative and critical thinking completing such activities as a BAR (bigger, add, replace) for Santa's sleigh.