## **Diary Dates**

#### WEEK 5

Wednesday 15 May

Playgroup 9.00-10.30am

Friday 17 May

Winter Sports Carnival for

Yrs 4-6 Bus leaves at 8.15am SHARP!

#### WEEK 6

Wednesday 22 May

Playgroup 9.00-10.30am

Tuckshop orders due 3.00pm

Thursday 23 May

Under 8's Day at Crawford SS for P-3

Friday 24 May

Tuckshop



Please ensure address, phone contact details and emergency contacts are correct and always up to date



# Principal's Message

#### Safe & Respectful School Communities

Your child, our student. One team.



We all deserve respectful, safe and non-violent environments, so aggression and harassment of any kind-physical, verbal or otherwise-isn't acceptable, from anyone, adult or child. Students have a right to a safe and positive environment at school and so do school staff.

When you interact with school staff, remember we're all on the same team to support your child. We all have your child's best interests at heart, and the best way to achieve a positive learning experience is to work together. Staff at Wooroolin State School deserve to work in a safe and positive environment. All students deserve to feel safe at school and that they can learn in a positive and safe environment that will not be withdrawn from them by other students.

Clearly communicating and collaborating with school staff to support your child and build a positive school culture is in the best interest of everyone within our school community. Talk with your child about what's happening at school. Ask: What are you learning? What do you enjoy? What don't you enjoy? Let your child know you're communicating with their school and the reasons why. Remind your child that you and their school are on the same team: to help them enjoy learning and feel safe. Please remind them they that they have a right to learn and that they do not have a right to take this right from other students with their choices.

Start by making sure that you keep the school in the loop when things change. If circumstances at home change that might impact your child's learning or wellbeing, let your child's school know so they can support them. Please make sure when communicating with school staff, in writing or in person, be polite. School staff deserve to be treated with respect because they, just like you, want the best outcomes for your child. Be considerate of how you're speaking and the impact it can have on the staff.

Your child's school is on your team when it comes to supporting your child. Be open to new ideas and be prepared that you might need to compromise to reach an agreement. You and your child's school have different kinds of expertise when it comes to raising your child, and that expertise can be much more powerful when combined. Everyone working together can achieve great things.

Students cannot be at school before 8.30am (unless arriving by school bus) as supervision is very limited until this time. Please monitor what time your child is leaving home to come to school or what time you are dropping your child off at the school gates.

### Student Absences

Please text ALL student absences to the school mobile 0472 836 816 or phone the office on 41642230.







### **QASSP Conference**

Last week I attended the QASSP State Conference in Brisbane. This was an amazing learning experience for me to stay updated with the latest Educational practices. The Guest Speakers were world class, and delivered authentic and astonishing information to over 500 Principals.

#### **Director Generals Roadshow**

This week I will be in attendance at the Director Generals Roadshow for DDSW Principals. This is a time for Principals to engage with regional supports and Department of Education leaders to collaborate next steps for every school within the region. As always, classroom teachers should be your first point of contact regarding your child's education.

#### **HASS Excursion**

Students in Yr 4-6 attended the Gympie Gold Mining and History Museum on Monday. Well done to all students who attended and made Wooroolin PROUD with their positive learning attitude and very clever questions to the staff. The HASS unit this year investigates life on the Goldfields and the realisation of students at how hard life was in the "old days" has been eye opening to watch.

#### **Winter Carnival**

Students from Yr 4-6 will be attending the Winter Sports Carnival this Friday at various schools across Kingaroy. These sport days are a great opportunity for small school students to play sport and socialise with other small school students in a positive team environment, before they attend high school in Kingaroy together. Please encourage your child to attend and show their PROUD Wooroolin sports skills and positive team attitude. Some venues may have canteens on the day for purchasing of snacks and food. This will not be confirmed until the day. Please send your child with enough food and water for the full day of events and additional money if decided.

#### **Under 8's Day**

Crawford State School will be hosting the Small School's Under 8's day next Thursday 23/5/24 from 9 – 1pm. Once again this is a great opportunity for our students to be in a positive learning environment with other students from small schools and socialise with their peers. Under 8's day is a fun exploring and play day for our students. Please make sure the notes are returned and lunch orders completed or food taken the for the day.

Heather Litzow Principal

## **School Dental Van**

The school dental van is now operating at Wooroolin SS for our students and students from nearby schools. Forms have been sent home and must be returned ASAP if you want your child to have an appointment. Please see the office if you need another form.





# Prep/Yr 3 News

Welcome to Week 5! In **English**, students have completed their first assessment task and are now moving onto designing and creating their very own soft drink. They will then write a text to persuade their chosen audience to buy it. In **Maths**, students have been working on their number skills. We played a new interactive maths activity which students thoroughly enjoyed. They had lots of fun trying to beat their high scores! We are now starting a new maths unit all about telling the time on analogue and digital clocks. Prep students will focus on sequencing events and days of the week, Year 1 students will learn o'clock and half past times, Year 2 students will learn quarter times and Year 3 students are telling time to the nearest minute. In **Science**, students are continuing their learning about living things and their habitats. In **Design & Technology**, students are learning about how farms provide for our needs including food, clothes and shelter. They are also exploring technologies used on farms. Our last session on Friday afternoons consists of dramatic play! We have a home corner and café set up for students to practice their structured play skills. Last week, we also had some student's birthdays. Students enjoyed celebrating together and shared some delicious cupcakes! Let's keep going, we're half way there!

**Miss McLean** 











## Yr 4 - 6 News

On Friday the class spent time thinking of all the reasons they are grateful for their Mum's or the females in their lives. We hope you received the lovely messages and gifts that they created.

Students attending our Gympie excursion on Monday had a very informative day. Bevan our tour guide was very knowledgeable about gold mining in the area from its earliest days right up to when the last mine closed 10 years ago. At the end of the tour around the museum, students were taught and given the opportunity to pan for gold. We were all very grateful to Tingoora for organising this day and allowing us to come with them.

This week in English, students will finish their first assessment task to identify and interpret the persuasive language features and visual elements of a product's packaging. Next week they will commence their next task which will require them to create and present a promotional script to promote a product and persuade an audience.

Mathematics: Please make sure that your child is spending time at home working on their number facts focus. Students are having to apply this knowledge to their problem-solving assessment and are also finalising their assessment on time. Next week we will begin to look at chance and probability.

Science: Year 5 & 6 - This week students begin their assessment task. They will need to design two creatures that are adapted to survive in two different environments and create a slideshow to present their two creatures.

HASS: Year 4 - Students are working on completing their presentations about ANZAC Day. Next week they will write facts about the event on the timeline. Year 5 & 6 - Students will use their knowledge gained on Monday's excursion and from information from various sources provided for them to investigate the effects of the gold rush in Australia, and to answer some inquiry questions.

If you ever have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at school or email me on jbarr134@eq.edu.au.







Mrs Barron















