

*Wattle Glen Primary School provides a learning for life environment where engagement, achievement, resilience and wellbeing are prioritised.*

AUGUST 9TH, 2023

## NEWSLETTER NO.13

### Term 3 Dates

#### AUGUST

10th Grade 1 late Stay,  
Grade 2 Sleepover

#### PARENT FEEDBACK EVENTS

14th Cafe 4060 operating  
Grade 4/5 and 5/6 visiting  
DVC

16th Bright Starts 2:30-3:20  
DigiMaker incursion group 1  
WELCOME EVENT  
afterschool- 'til 5:30

17th DigiMaker incursion  
group 2

16th-22nd Book Week Stall

23rd Book Week incursion  
and Dress Up Day

25th Grade 5/6 Hooptime

30th Bright Starts 2:20-  
3:20

31st Sugarloaf Athletics

#### SEPTEMBER

1st Grade 3/4 Hooptime

6th KaBoom Sports (P-2)

7th Parent teacher  
Interviews

14th R U OK? Day Wear  
Yellow

15th Last Day of Term, 2:20  
dismissal

# Principal's Report

Hello everyone,

On Monday, at the Curriculum Day, our teachers worked with Penny Jayne, the managing director of Global Education Equity Alliance. Michelle, Kira, and myself, worked with Penny earlier in the year when we attended the Harvard DATAWISE course in January. Penny went through the instructional core of learning- the *student*, the *teacher* and the *content*- and how they relate to each other. She also spoke to us about equity, and shining an equity lens on everything we do at WG. It was very reaffirming, as I think we offer a very inclusive environment, so our equity lens is already in focus. However, there is always room for improvement!

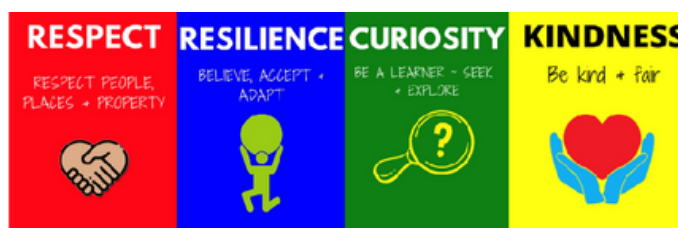
In the afternoon we worked through more of our Visible Wellbeing program, and started the "E" component, "E" representing Emotional Management. When this component is covered in the classroom the teachers will focus on gratitude, and things we can be grateful for at Wattle Glen primary. Then we will have a display of paper flowers to make a gratitude garden. I am looking forward to seeing it complete.

Speaking of things I am looking forward to, the grade one late stay and the grade two/three sleepover is on Thursday. These activities are the foundation steps for our camping program. I can't wait to eat dinner with everyone and watch a movie, before going to sleep and waking up for a delicious breakfast. The PTFA (Parents, Teachers and Friends Association) met on Wednesday August 2nd, and we thought it would be nice to organise an event to welcome our new families. Therefore, we will be having a BBQ and a jumping castle on AUGUST 16th, straight after school, until 5:30pm. Everyone is welcome to attend. (More information further along in the newsletter.)

I thought I'd also share with everyone that our enrolments are continually growing, so much so, that we will be operating with seven grades in 2024. In term four I will advertising for two more teaching positions. Exciting times ahead for everyone at WGPS.

Have a great week

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School Council 2023: President: BJ McNeilly Vice President: Andrew Spence  
Treasurer: Jayde Sheffield Secretary: Alison Wylie PTFA: Sarah Suban  
General Members: Simon Braham, Rebecca Beasley, Megan Staley, Kylie D'Amico DET: Meredith Fell, Michelle de Haan Executive Officer: Mel McLennan

# Stars of the Week

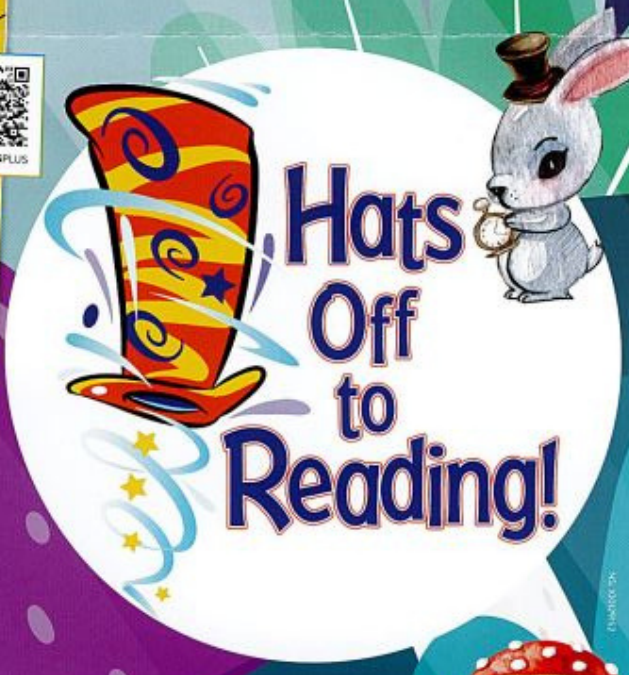
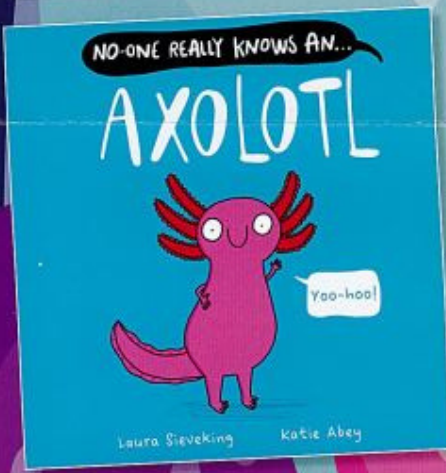
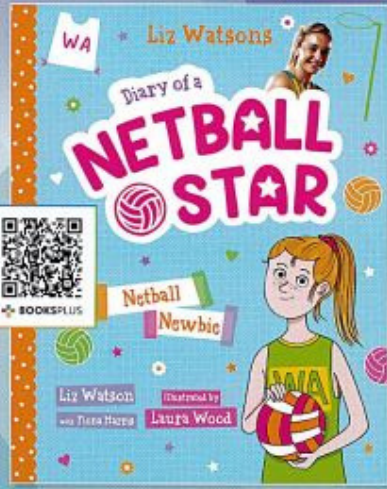
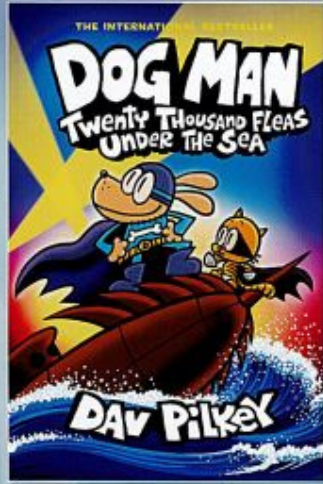
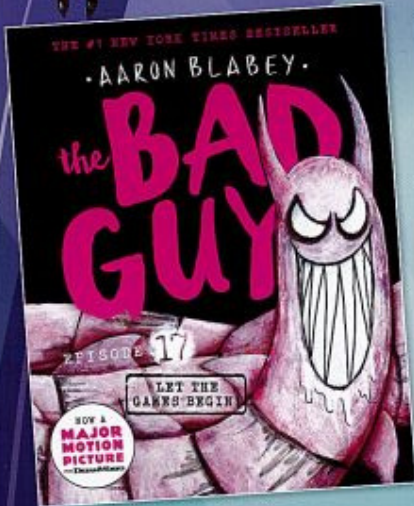
Week 3  
P/1 Lilah  
1/2 Jacob  
2/3 Liam  
4/5 Olliver  
5/6 Myah



In week four, the focus is on step 2 of the model, Plan. In Peer Support, students learned the need to develop a range of coping strategies, and be creative in drawing on these when planning responses. Responses include persevering, seeing the positive side to situations and engaging in activities they enjoy as a distraction for a short time. Encourage your child to talk with you about strategies they could use as difficulties arise.

SCHOLASTIC **Book Fairs**

You're invited to our Scholastic  
**BOOK FAIR**



Find these books and more at the Fair!



Date August 16 - August 22 Time 8<sup>30</sup> - 9<sup>00</sup> - 3<sup>20</sup> - 3<sup>45</sup>  
Place Room 4, WGPS

**EVERY DOLLAR EQUALS RESOURCES FOR OUR SCHOOL**



# Outside School Hours Care Newsletter



8/8/2023

Wattle Glen Primary School OSHC

Your  
OSHC.



## A message from your Coordinator

Dear Parents, children, teachers and community members.

Once again Camp Australia has launched its science week the children will once again going to be involved in some fun experiments with the theme of Power and Innovation.

The Wattle Glen Service has been selected to trial some games that use virtual reality. If this proves successful hopefully, we will be able to expand on this. This will be a learning curve for me as well. 😊

Some exciting news to come from Camp Australia is that we are expanding on our menu this will include access to a larger range of fresh produce.

As always, we greatly appreciate any feedback and comments that you may have parents, please feel free to talk to me at any time.

Have a great week

From your OSHC Coordinator

Elizabeth Brook

## Activities coming up

- STEM CHALLENGES
- SCIENCE EXPERIMENTS
- VIRTUAL REALITY – INCURSION

## Make a booking

Join in the fun of Outside School Hours Care activities and experiences with Your OSHC and Rocketeers.

Add a little bit of  
**Book now**  
body text

## Register free and book in 24/7 via our app

To attend our program, you must register your child. You can register an account with us at [pp.campaustralia.com.au](http://pp.campaustralia.com.au) or by downloading our Camp Australia smartphone app from the Apple App Store or on Google Play. Once registered, it's easy to make bookings and manage your account.



Find out more and book now at [www.campaustralia.com.au](http://www.campaustralia.com.au)

# NORTHERN MELBOURNE MUSIC

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**One-to-One, Paired, and Group lessons now available in  
Keyboard and Guitar at Wattle Glen Primary School.**

**Starting term 4, Northern Melbourne Music will begin offering paired  
and group lessons, as well as one-to-one lessons.**

**We work closely with classroom teachers to ensure students are not  
taken during specialist lessons and have their music lessons at a time  
that suits.**

**No matter your experience, Northern Melbourne Music is here to make  
sure that learning an instrument is fun, engaging and enriching through  
every stage of you or your child's musical journey.**

**For further information, please contact us at  
[NorthernMelbourneMusic@gmail.com](mailto:NorthernMelbourneMusic@gmail.com)  
or visit**

**[NorthernMelbourneMusic.com.au](http://NorthernMelbourneMusic.com.au)**

**Private lessons : \$35 per lesson**

**Paired lessons : \$25 per lesson**

**Group lessons : \$15 per lesson**

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PTFA ARE PROUD TO  
ORGANISE A  
WELCOME EVENT FOR  
OUR  
NEW (AND EXISTING)  
FAMILIES

Come and join the  
celebration!

WEDNESDAY  
AUGUST 16th,  
STRAIGHT AFTER  
SCHOOL  
UNTIL 5:30

We will be having a  
BBQ and Jumping  
Castle

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# CAFE 4060

Café 4060 will be operating again in  
Term 3, on the following dates;

August 14

August 28

September 4



## CAFE 4060 MENU

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### HOT FOOD

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Patties Party Pie	\$0.50 each
Patties Sausage Roll	\$0.50 each
Cheese Toastie	\$3.00
Hot Dog	\$4.00
McCain Lil' Pizza	\$3.00 each
• Ham and pineapple	
• Margherita	

\*tomato sauce available

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### DRINKS

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Juice Boxes- all flavours	\$1.00
Water 600ml	\$1.00
Milk 200ml	Free

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### SNACKS

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Apple, Orange, Pear	Free
Messy Monkeys-BBQ flavour only	Free



Wattle Glen  
PRIMARY SCHOOL

# BRIGHT STARTS

Wattle Glen Primary School invites all pre-schoolers to our Prep orientation program, called Bright Starts.



This program provides the opportunity for preschoolers to experience different aspects of school life.

#### Sessions:

Wednesday 19th July  
Wednesday 2nd August  
Wednesday 16th August  
Wednesday 30th August  
Thursday 14th September -  
Enrolled Student session & parent catch up

#### Time:

2:20pm- 3:20pm

#### Where:

Wattle Glen Primary School  
16-24 Reynolds Road, Wattle Glen  
3096

#### How do you enrol:

Call our dedicated staff in the office,  
or email to inform us that your child  
will be coming to these events.

Respect

Kindness

Curiosity

Resilience



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# WATTLE PLAYGROUP



COME AND JOIN US AT WATTLE GLEN PRIMARY SCHOOL  
FOR A FUN AND EDUCATIONAL PLAYGROUP.  
PLAYGROUP IS DESIGNED TO HELP CHILDREN  
SOCIALISE AND LEARN SOME FUNDAMENTAL SKILLS  
BEFORE ENTERING PRIMARY SCHOOL.

## WHO CAN JOIN US?

We invite all children under the age of 6!

Our playgroup caters for all ages as we have created a space that encourages free play, while also providing the children with opportunities to learn new skills and concepts. (We do kindly ask that children under the age of 2 to be supervised by a carer at all times.)

## WHAT TO BRING?

Please bring along your child's drink bottle and their hat for outside play.

We encourage personal toys to stay at home as we have a large variety of activities and toys for children to play with.

## WHEN?

Every Friday  
during the school  
term.  
10-11am  
Fruit will be  
provided.

## WHERE?

Wattle Glen Primary School  
16-24 Reynolds Road, Wattle Glen.  
Enter the school via gate 1 on  
Sunnyside Crescent

## CONTACT US...

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We would like to invite you to ...

## *Feedback Sessions*

DEAR FAMILIES,

We have a School Review in October, and in an effort to inform our discussion with the reviewer we would love to hear from you. We will be hosting three events on August 10th, hoping that you can attend one of them.

We'd love to hear what you currently like about WGPS, what you have enjoyed over the last three years and suggestions for our future direction.

**Where:** Wattle Glen Primary School, room 4.

**When:** Thursday August 10

**Times:**

9:05-9:35am

3:25-3:55pm

6pm-6:30pm

If you are unable to make a session please feel free to complete the online feedback

survey: <https://bit.ly/3JTfIJY>



# CHILD SAFETY STANDARDS

The new Child Safe Standards came into force in Victoria on 1 July 2022.

The 11 Child Safe Standards are listed below.

## Standard 1

Organisations establish a culturally safe environment in which the diverse and unique identities

## Standard 2

Child safety and wellbeing is embedded in organisational leadership, governance and culture.

## Standard 3

Children and young people are empowered about their rights, participate in decisions affecting them and are taken seriously.

## Standard 4

Families and communities are informed and involved in promoting child safety and wellbeing.

## Standard 5

Equity is upheld and diverse needs respected in policy and practice.

## Standard 6

People working with children and young people are suitable and supported to reflect child safety and wellbeing values in practice.

## Standard 7

Processes for complaints and concerns are child-focused.

## Standard 8

Staff and volunteers are equipped with the knowledge, skills and awareness to keep children and young people safe through ongoing education and training.

## Standard 9

Physical and online environments promote safety and wellbeing while minimising the opportunity for children and young people to be harmed.

## Standard 10

Implementation of the Child Safe Standards is regularly reviewed and improved.

## Standard 11

Policies and procedures document how the organisation is safe for children and young people.

Our school policies have been aligned with the new "Child Safety Standards". These can be found on our website under the heading "Child Safety Standards" *Please feel free to provide feedback or seek clarification regarding these policies in person by seeing Michelle de Haan (Room 7, wellbeing leader) or by emailing the school via [wattle.glen.ps@education.vic.gov.au](mailto:wattle.glen.ps@education.vic.gov.au)*



# Community Announcements

## LITTLE ATHLETICS IS BACK!

Come & join the fun at Diamond Creek Little Aths Club

**REGISTER / COME & TRY ON:**

**SATURDAY, 2ND SEPTEMBER 2023**

Our weekly athletics competition is held on Saturday mornings (with some Friday evenings) & our program is:

- ✓ For kids 5-16 years old
- ✓ 5-6 years are part of a one-hour On-Track skills program
- ✓ Inclusive & perfect for all abilities

**OUR WEEKLY COMPETITION IS HELD ON SATURDAY MORNINGS & SOME FRIDAY EVENINGS AT:**  
Diamond Valley Little Athletics Centre, Willinda Park, Beatrix Street, Greensborough

**2023-24 FEES:** U6-16: \$240 per athlete  
Discounts for families with 3 or more athletes. Price includes free uniform top for new paid members.

**TO FIND OUT MORE:** Message us via: facebook.com/diamondcreekla/ OR diamondcreeklac@gmail.com

Beginner and experienced players welcome

## SOFTBALL GIRLS & BOYS

**Winter Junior Development Program** Starts 29 July  
8 - 14 yrs | Beginner to Intermediate | Saturdays 2-4 pm for 6 weeks | \$70 pp  
Register today at [www.softballvic.org.au/get-involved/junior-development](http://www.softballvic.org.au/get-involved/junior-development)

**Home Run Heroes introductory program** October to November  
5 - 12 yrs | Introduction for kids into the game of Softball  
6+ week program | 60-90 minute sessions

**Junior Softball** October to March  
T-ball and U12 - U19 age groups | Friendly and welcoming teams | Equipment provided  
Games on Saturdays

Northern District Softball Association  
Mill Park Recreation Reserve

northernsoftballvic@gmail.com  
NDSAvic northernsoftballvic

# STEAMRAIL VICTORIA

## HURSTBRIDGE WATTLE FESTIVAL

**SUNDAY 27th AUGUST 2023**

Join us as we operate 2 of our vintage K Class steam locomotives with heritage 'E type' carriages through the beautiful Diamond Valley to the Hurstbridge Wattle Festival.

**RETURN SHUTTLES FROM HURSTBRIDGE to ELTHAM**

**BOOKINGS AND MORE INFO – [www.steamrail.com.au/tours](http://www.steamrail.com.au/tours)**