

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

### WELCOME BACK

Welcome back to all of our staff and students to what we know will be a very full and exciting term 2. Our term started with a most valuable curriculum day in which our staff spent the day concentrating on Mathematics and methods for improved instruction school wide. The day was planned and organised by Kristy Miller, our Teaching and Learning Leader and made the most of 6 Mathematics Coaches from the Gippsland area who spent the day sharing and ideas, strategies and lessons.

The impact has already flowed on to classrooms. Thanks to Kristy and to the staff for their enthusiastic participation.

As you may have noticed we also have some landscaping underway at the main entrance to the school. We are hopeful that this work will be completed early next week.

Again, welcome back, I hope it is a great term for every one.

### SCHOOL REVIEW

In line with the departments accountability processes Woodlands will be starting our Review process over the next few weeks. This process requires our school to go through a self-evaluation using the School Strategic Plan, Annual Implementation Plan, School Performance Reports and any other relevant data/information. From this self-evaluation we will be working closely with groups within the school and representatives from the department to review our progress and outcomes in with the intent to develop a new strategic plan for the next 4 years.

## ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

Once again, we are very fortunate to have Mrs Dimech generously donate her time to sell entertainment books to raise funds for the school.

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## CALENDAR

### TERM 2

- 24/4 - **No Junior Assembly.**  
- Special Staff & Student ANZAC service.
- 25/4 - ANZAC DAY - PUBLIC HOLIDAY**
- 26/4 - Gr4 Science incursion payment due  
- Gr1&2 Swimming payment due  
- School Council
- 1/5 - Gr1&2 Swimming program starts
- 2/5 - Prep Science Incursion payment due
- 9/5 - Prep Science Incursion (Grp1)
- 10/5 - Prep Science Incursion (Grp2)
- 11/5 - P&F Mother's Day Stall
- 17/5 - House Cross Country



We are selling ANZAC badges, pens and wristbands once again in 2017. Prices range from \$1.00 - \$10.00. Our Student Leaders will be visiting classes each day during school hours to sell these. These are not available for purchase from the school office.

Thank you for your support.

## LUNCHTIME CLUBS

After receiving feedback from parents in last year's Parent Opinion Survey regarding extra curricular activities at Woodlands, we have expanded our Lunchtime Clubs program to cater for a wider range of students' needs and interests.

If you see a club that your child will enjoy, please encourage them to attend. All Lunchtime Clubs run from 1.40pm – 2.20pm.

### **CODING – MONDAY (MISS. BRERETON)**

This club is for students in grades 3 – 6. Coding club teaches students about computer programming using the language of code. Students start by using the 'Hour of Code' program and once they have completed this program branch out to other programs such as 'Scratch' where they start to create their own games. We also use the 'Kodable' program for beginners who have never tried coding before.

**This is not a chance for students to play computer games at lunchtime. They must do coding activities.**

### **FRIDAY CLUB D - ROOM 16 (MRS. DAVIS)**

Club D will offer a quiet space for children of all ages to come to participate in different craft/art activities. Some examples of the activities offered include;

- Drawing and colouring in activities
- Cut, paste and create activities
- Loom Bands

### **PE CLUB – WEDNESDAY (MR. DOWLING)**

We will endeavour to provide a range of lunchtime activities/clubs for all year levels, catering for a range of interests, as well as passive and active activities.

We offer, at various time throughout the year, the following:

- Running clubs
- Round Robin
- Futsal (Indoor Soccer)
- School Sport Leaders Program
- Basketball (hooptime)
- Cheerleading/dance.

### **COMPUTER CLUB – FRIDAY (MR. HALL)**

Mr. Hall's Computer Club will run each Friday. Students will have access to the computers and iPads in the Resource Room at this time. With access to a number of programs and activities.

### **BOARD GAMES CLUB – TUESDAY (MRS. BURKE)**

Students will have access to a range of different board games in the Resource Room. It is an opportunity for students to have a break from the yard and participate in passive games with their friends.

### **SCIENCE CLUB – THURSDAY (MR. WATSON)**

Science Club will run in the Science room every Thursday. Students will be exposed to a range of science based activities. This club is aimed at students who have a passion and interest in science and would like to expand their general knowledge.