

ANNOUNCEMENT TO OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY

It is with great pleasure that I am able to announce that Matt Gallagher has been provisionally appointed as Principal of Woodlands Primary School.

The appointment is subject to a 14-day appeal process. If there are no appeals, Matt will be the substantive principal from Tuesday 14 April 2020.

Lisa Meddings
School Council President
Woodlands Primary School

THANK YOU WOODLANDS

Thanks to our school community we raised \$934 on Monday with our iCan Challenge Active Wear Day.

Although we weren't able to run our active fitness sessions on Monday, It was great to see students making a great effort to get involved.



WOODLANDS PNF 2020

Are you interested in the Woodlands community? Woodlands Parents and Friends are now looking for new members and helpers to add to our growing committee.

The PnF organise,
-Mother's and Father's Day gift stall
-Easter and Christmas raffle
-End of year disco
-Crazy Hair day
-Second Hand uniform
-Grade 3 ANZAC books
-Graduation Bears

We understand that not all people want to go on a committee, and just wish to help out as required, which is also needed.

If you are interested in more information please email us on glenn@new-heights.com.au

We look forward to working together to enhance our children's Woodlands experience in 2020 and beyond.

CALENDAR

MARCH

24th - Easter raffle money due back

27th - Last day Term 1
2.30pm finish

APRIL

14th - First day of Term 2

25th - ANZAC DAY

MAY

5th - 2020 Foundation information session
9.30am

13th - 2020 Foundation information session
9.30am

19th - 2020 Foundation information session
9.30am



How to help your family THRIVE during the coronavirus outbreak

Concern over COVID-19 can make children and families anxious. Staying connected and engaged with your child is one of the best ways to support them. Children look to adults for guidance on how to react to stressful situations. Parents and carers can help minimise anxiety for children by providing factual, age appropriate information about the potential seriousness of the virus and teaching children how they can reduce the risk of infection and the spread of the disease. Teaching children positive and preventative measures and talking to them about their fears and worries can help them feel empowered and give them some control of their health and wellbeing.

There are several steps we can take to reduce the risk of infection and reducing anxiety at this time. Below are some suggestions to help you and your family THRIVE during this difficult time.

 <p>TRY your best</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Build a growth mindset and be open to doing things differently (e.g. learning online) - Turn to reputable sources for your news - Control how often you check the news and limit exposure for your child - Try not to let fear influence your decision, such as hoarding supplies
 <p>Be HEALTHY</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Wash your hands regularly for at least 20 sec with soap (sing twinkle twinkle or the happy birthday song) - Cough and sneeze into your elbow - Eat a balanced diet, get enough sleep and exercise regularly as this will help your immune system and fight off illness.
 <p>RELATE Well</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Practice social distancing – avoid shaking hands and close physical contact - Stay connected to people using social media/technology - Show respect and model peaceful behaviours for those around you - Avoid stereotyping or blaming any one group of people as responsible for the virus - Reach out to people you are worried might be lonely- give them a call or send them a message. - Talk to your child, listen to their questions and provide them with facts about how they can reduce their risk of infection - Be aware that developmentally inappropriate information (i.e., information that is intended for adults) can heighten anxiety and cause confusion for children.
 <p>Get INVOLVED</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Get in the flow of something you enjoy such as a good book, listen to music, play a board game, bake, have a family movie night, do a puzzle, colour or draw. - Maintain regular routines as much as possible or create new ones in a new environment. This can be reassuring and promotes physical health. Encourage your child to keep up with their schoolwork and extracurricular activities where possible but don't push them if they seem overwhelmed.
 <p>Live your VALUES</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Be kind to one another - Use manners - Help others- check on the vulnerable members of our community and see if they need help with their shopping - Tell your child you love them - Spend time with your child
 <p>ENJOY Positive Emotions</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Children will pick up on your verbal and non-verbal reactions, so try to remain calm - Focus on what you can control such as your thoughts and behaviours - Practice gratitude - Be patient - Notice the good things - Share some positivity around with your friends and family

If your child appears to be experiencing more significant and ongoing difficulties, please consider contacting some of the services below:

- headspace: visit www.headspace.org.au to find your nearest centre or call eheadspace on 1800 650 890
- Kids Helpline: 1800 55 1800 or kidshelpline.com.au
- ReachOut: reachout.com.au

If you are finding it difficult to cope or are looking for further support, please contact your G.P., the COVID-19 hotline ph: 1800 020 080 or visit: <https://www.education.vic.gov.au/about/departments/Pages/coronavirus.aspx>

GRADE 1 COAL CREEK

Last Thursday the grade 1's enjoyed a sunny day at Coal Creek



4-6 ATHLETICS DAY

The grade 4 - 6 attended Athletics day last Tuesday at Ballam Park , everyone had a great day!



PRINCIPAL AWARDS

CONGRATULATIONS

To the below students who received principal awards for Term 1. Principal awards will be presented at next Assembly

JUNIOR PRINCIPAL AWARDS—TERM 1 2020

Class	TEACHER	Student
FD	Mrs Davis	ELIZA R
FE	Ms Eldridge	XAVIER D
FI	Miss Isom	ISLA E
FS	Miss Simmons	MIA S
FW	Mrs Wheeler	ARIANA P
FWA	Mrs Walker	CADENCE P
1A	Miss Allan	FINLAY L
1B	Mrs Brnjac	ISLA G
1C	Miss Caveney	PENNY S
1G	Mrs Gallagher	KEIRA M
1M	Miss McDowell	BEAU R
1S	Mrs Schuurman	CHANDLER J
2B	Miss Barnes	COCO B
2D	Miss Di Paolo	HANNA S
2M	Mrs Morton	JOHN N
2S	Ms Senysyn	EDAN M
2T	Mrs Truman	CALEB G
2W	Miss Whelan	OLIVIA S

SENIOR PRINCIPAL AWARDS—TERM 1 2020

Class	TEACHER	Student
3H	Mrs Hallal	ELLY S
3HU	Miss Hunter	KOBE B
3L	Mrs Lancaster	ISLA K
3S	Mr Salerni	JARAH Y
3W	Mrs Whyte	DREW M
4H	Mrs Hammond	BILLY J
4JM	Mrs Jones/Mrs Miller	SIENNA S
4K	Ms Kingston	SHAYLA C
4P	Mr Pascazio	LACEY W
4S	Mr Schaus	JAMES D
5A	Mr Allan	ALYSSA L
5G	Ms Gordon	CHARLEY R
5P	Mrs Ponchard	SAM T
5LP	Mrs Porter/Mrs Hallal	SERENA V
5W	Ms Whitehead	JESS A
6B	Miss Brereton	MAX T
6J	Mrs Jenner	BRIELLE R
6S	Mr Salerni	CHELSIE F
6W	Mr Whitehead	CHARLOTTE W

**Congratulations to the below students who received THRIVE awards for displaying our
THRIVE value of .**

R- RELATE WELL - JUNIOR

JUNIOR 'THRIVE' AWARD WINNERS

GRADE
NAME

FD

LACHIE K / MILLA G

FE

LUCA P/ ISABEL P

FI

DAKSH D / EMILY B

FW

ELLA B / DAVIS J

FWA

MATILDA L / LOGAN T

FS

AYLAH B / BAYNE S

1A

OLIVIA H / VINCENT K

1B

HAYDEN D / DAISY P

1C

AMAYA B / MADDOX H

1G

LAYNE B / HUDSON B

1M

KODY W/ MARISSA L

1S

ANNABELLE D / JAZMINE T

2B

SIENNA P / FINN G

2D

ELLIE D / JAKSON B

2M

CARTER L / CHLOE P

2S

HAYDEN O / MILLEA C

2T

CALEB G / JEMMA M

2W

JONAH T / INDIANA L

 PERFORMING ARTS -
MRS MUEHLLECHNER

 MILLA G - FD
FLYNN P - FI

 JUNIOR ART -
MRS BLOCK

 MASON S – 2M
INDIANNA G – 2W

 JUNIOR ART - MRS
CLOWES

MATILDA M - 1B

ICT- MR HALL

 EVIE Y - 1A
ADELAIDE H - FW

 P.E - MR BIRNIE
P.E - MR DOWLING

 COOPER S - 2T
BLAKE C - 1G

LOTE - MS JAHN

 CHELSEA-ANNE M - FS
BAILEY R - 2S

LOTE - MRS CLOWES

LIVINIA D - 2W



Easter Raffle



By now all grades should have received their raffle tickets.
If you are needing/wanting more they are up at the office to collect.

Parents and Friends are now accepting donations for our 2020 Easter raffle.

These can be placed in the Easter tub at the office.

Items such as Easter craft, bowls/cups, soft toys, baskets/bags, books and of course chocolate eggs would be greatly appreciated.

Raffle tickets will be distributed this week to teachers and extra raffle books will be available at the office.

Please ensure raffle tickets and money are returned to school no later than

Tuesday the 24th of March.

The raffle will be drawn on Wednesday 25th of March winners will be announced and raffle prizes will go home on this day. On behalf of the parents and friends thank you for your support.

WORLD'S GREATEST SHAVE

My name is Tommy Klein and I am participating in this year's World's Greatest Shave. I'm shaving my head to support people that are suffering from Leukaemia and to help raise money for cancer research. I am aiming to raise \$1000, and I am currently sitting at \$265. If you would like to support this great

cause, you can donate at

<http://my.leukaemiafoundation.org.au/tommyklein> or you

can drop some money in the box at the office.

I will be shaving my head at school on the last day of the term (March 27th) at 12.15 in the Performing Arts Hall. If you would like to come and watch,



2021 ENROLMENTS

If you have a little one starting next year or know someone who would like to send their little person to Woodlands in 2021, please read the below information.

We Currently have tours available in May for prospective families. You can check out our website for these dates and times then call the office to book in.

As of Wednesday 6th May, if you are already a parent at Woodlands P.S you can collect an enrolment form from the school office, all other families can collect an enrolment form after their school tour.

Enrolment Process:

Our enrolment process is as follows:

- 1)** If you are in our school zone and have supplied the correct documentation you can be assured your child has a place at Woodlands Primary School. (This can be checked by heading to the link and typing in your address) <https://www.findmyschool.vic.gov.au/>
- 2)** If you already have a sibling of your future child here, you can be assured your child has a place at Woodlands Primary School.
- 3)** If you are out of our zone, you will be informed by email if your child has a place or does not have a place by mid September. **Please do not call or email the school any earlier to find out if you have been accepted.**

The availability of out of zone enrolments all depends on student numbers. The number of students leaving next year and the number of in zone and sibling enrolments. If there are numbers available for out of zone students this is selected by closet to the school and no other way.

UNIFORM REMINDERS

A big thank you to our parent community for continuing to be diligent with keeping students in school uniform.

There has been a couple of areas that we can continue to work on, that our teachers will be focusing on over the coming weeks. These areas are earrings, which need to be either standard sleepers or studs in silver or gold, plain black school shoes, navy shorts (no cargo) and hair accessories.

Our current uniform guide can be found on the school website for further detail.

Thanks once again for your support.

LEGO CLUB

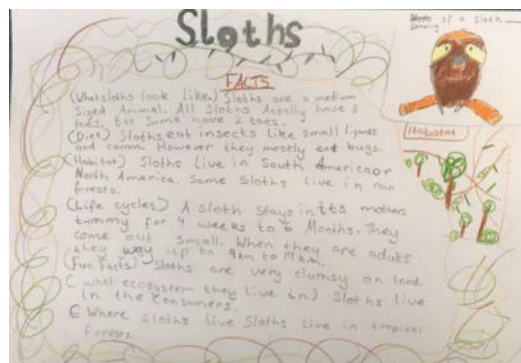
During Lego club over the past few weeks we have had a couple of extremely clever and talented students work with a brand new LEGO program called LEGO Spike Prime. They are demonstrating and showing Mr Sutton how to use it so he can be more technologically capable for the future use of these awesome programs and devices in STEM.



We continually have had a great number of students from foundation to year 6 building and creating amazing objects using their own imagination. It is extremely impressive how many students of all ages can not only make these objects but also describe what it is and how their creation works, flies, drives, lives etc.

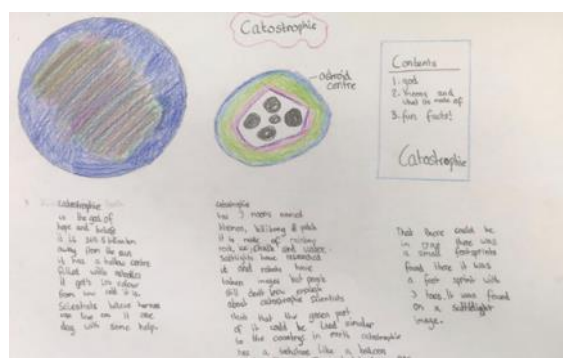
STEM

In grade 4 students have been working on their animal posters in the last two weeks. Students were asked to choose an animal they are most interested in to make a poster using the knowledge we have learned throughout the term relevant to their animal. Diet, habitat, ecosystem, the animal's role in its ecosystem, it's life cycle, other interesting facts and their drawings of the animal will be showcased on their work. I am extremely impressed with how the grade 4s have understood and applied themselves during our biology unit this term so families and friends feel free to ask them about their chosen animal and hopefully you will see their posters home soon.



Jaiden R - 4K

The grade 5s have been learning about our solar system for our space science unit this term. We have been focusing on how our solar system works, Earth's place in the solar system, the effects of the sun, and how our planets are all different. Students are now creating their own planet using an appropriate name, distance from the sun, temperature, colour, and whether there is life on it. They are coming along amazingly and very well thought out by our intelligent cohort of grade 5s.



ENTERTAINMENT MEMBERSHIP

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