



William Dean Public School

Bluey's Bulletin

TERM 1 WEEK 6

Thursday 2nd March 2017

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Thank you to all the parents and caregivers who were able to attend our Parent Information evening on 23rd February. It was wonderful to see you in such large numbers. The sessions provided the opportunity for parents and caregivers to meet the teachers and gain information about class routines and requirements for the year.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP INDUCTION

On Wednesday 22nd February we held our leadership induction assembly. At this assembly the school captains, vice captains, house captains, class representatives and library monitors received their badges. Congratulations to these students on being elected to these roles. As mentioned at the assembly we know that our 2017 leaders will provide great service to their fellow students and the school. We look forward to working with them as they perform their duties with pride, respect and great maturity. Thank you to Mrs Krause and Mr Daglis for organizing the assembly.

ZONE SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Yesterday eleven of our students attended the Blacktown PSSA Zone Swimming Carnival at Blacktown Pool. Congratulations to all our swimmers who competed. Thank you to Mr Daglis and Mrs Metcalfe for accompanying the students.

COMMUNITY BREAKFAST

Tomorrow, 3rd of March is our first Community Breakfast for the year. Please join us for cereal and fruit in the courtyard from 8:30am. This breakfast will kick start our Friday "Breakfast Club". The Breakfast Club will provide our students with a breakfast of cereal every Friday morning. We hope that the program will promote

healthy eating habits for our students.

'EARLY LEARNING THROUGH PLAY' Group

Our 'Early Learning Through Play' Group has started for 2017. If you, friends or family have preschool aged children please come along and join other families every Thursday from 9:15 am in the school hall.

NEW P&C

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the Community Club members immensely for their tireless work throughout 2016. Your support has been greatly appreciated. Thank you to the outgoing executives for their wonderful work during their 2016 term. At the AGM on Monday 6th March, the 2017 office bearers will be elected. All community members are encouraged to attend the meeting which will be held in the hall from 9:15 am.

STUDENT DETAILS AND CONTACTS

It is extremely important that you let the school know of any changes regarding family contact phone numbers and addresses (including change to emergency contacts). This ensures that we are able to contact family members if the need arises.

STUDENT PRIVACY

It is important to respect student privacy, particularly on social media. The school will not publish any student's photo on any school material without the permission of a parent or caregiver. We understand that many parents and extended family members enjoy taking photos or videos of their child, however, photos or videos should only include your child or children. In the event that there are other children in the photos or videos it is important that these should be for private viewing with family and friends. No photos or videos

containing other children should be posted on the internet or on social media.

SCHOOL COMMUNICATION

Each year we endeavor to improve communication with our wider community. You might have noticed that we have now allocated part of the community board outside the office to inform everyone of upcoming events. We are also updating the school website and school app on a weekly basis.

ADDITIONAL SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAYS (SDDS)

As a staff we have elected to attend one additional SDD during Term 2 (Saturday 6th May) and one later in the year instead of the last two days of school. It is difficult to book guest speakers on scheduled SDDs as they are often booked well in advance. We are currently negotiating with Dan Haesler to present staff with teaching and learning strategies to support a Growth Mindset. When students have a growth mindset, in which they believe that intelligence can be developed (for example through effort and instruction) they seek more learning goals and challenges, see effort as a positive behaviour, are more resilient and achieve higher academic outcomes.

Regards

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EARLY STAGE ONE REPORT

Welcome to 2017. This year will be full of exciting and rewarding experiences for all the students at WDPS.

The beginning of the school year was buzzing with excitement. Our Kindergarten students are settling into the routines and organisation very well.

A big thankyou to all parents who attended our Meet the Teachers night last Thursday. We look forward to working with you and your children this year.

Here is a reminder of the list of Student Equipment requested for 2017. Most equipment required by ES1 students will be provided. This includes lead pencils, coloured pencils, glue, scissors and workbooks.

It would also be greatly appreciated if the students could bring the following items, clearly labelled with their name.

- a library bag
- a paint shirt
- a box of tissues (for whole class use)
- white board markers (for whole class use)
- a packet of large clip lock bags (for whole class use)
- paper towel (for whole class use)
- headphones (for personal use on laptops and ipads)

We look forward to a wonderful year of Learning!

Irena Kraljevic

Kayla Ryan

Roshana Naidoo

KI -Team Leader

KR

K/1R

STAGE ONE REPORT

It has been a couple of busy weeks in Stage 1. The students are settling into their new classes, making friends and working hard.

In our writing sessions, students are starting to explore Intertextuality - the relationship between texts. So far, we are looking at the similarities and differences between fairytales and fractured fairytales. Students are really enjoying making connections between stories and their own experiences. They will be learning to identify the author's purpose and the moral of different texts they read and view.

Renee McVicar

Jolanda Garland

Shaireen Roy

Ana Najarro

Tracey Strudwick

Assistant Principal

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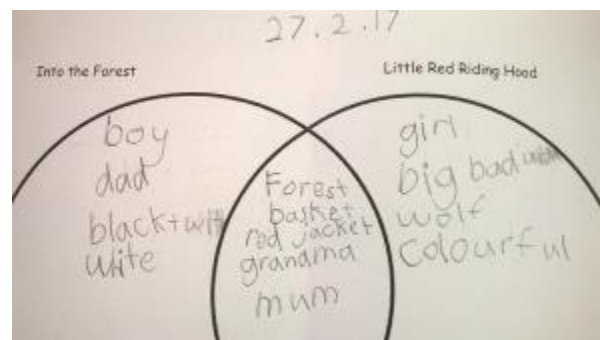
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Team Leader

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LIBRARY REPORT

Borrowing has commenced for Term 1.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
K/1 R KI	KR 3/4I	1S 2S	2/3N 3/4H 5/6K 1M	4/5H 5/6D

All students require a Library bag. This can be a school library bag, hessian bag, pillowslip or shop bought Library bag. Plastic bags can be used temporarily, as they tear. Books can be damaged easily, so we like to encourage all students to care for the books while at home. This means- keeping away from food, no water/damp surface, out of reach from younger siblings, and away from coloured pencils/crayons/textas.

If books are damaged or lost, please speak to Ms Porter or send a note with the book. Parents can purchase a replacement, or the cost of replacement can be paid at the office.

Library Monitors

Thank you to all students that applied for Library monitor and shadow monitor roles for 2017. I am pleased to announce the following students will be working in the Library this year:

LIBRARY MONITORS:

Aaliyah A
Brianna H
Breanna F
Ishita I
Grace M

SHADOW MONITORS:

Jamie-Leigh Y
Emma-Jean C
Jacob W
Andrez M
Jairus B
Tenay S
Alanah W
Madina R
Teagan C
Tiana R



Premier's Reading Challenge

In 2017 students will be given the opportunity to participate in the **NSW Premier's Reading Challenge (PRC)**. The challenge is open to all children from Kindergarten to Year 6 and is divided into three categories:

Challenge K-2	30 picture books
Challenge 3-4	20 picture/chapter books
Challenge 5-6	20 picture/chapter books



Children who participate will need to read a set number of titles from the booklists provided on the website. The reading challenge runs from **6th March to 25th August 2017**. All children who successfully complete the challenge will receive a certificate from the NSW Premier's office. Children wishing to participate will receive a username and password to log on to the website, where they can find booklists, reading logs and further instructions. If you have any difficulties accessing the site or don't have a computer available, the reading log can be filled out and handed in to the library.

A selection of the PRC books are available for students to loan in the school library, and can also be found in your local public library. At WDPS we see this as a valuable way to celebrate reading and for every child to feel a sense of achievement. Students that have previously participated in the challenge can simply log on to the website from the 4th March. A student's log in is the same as their current school username and password. If they do not know their username and password, or they are new to the school, simply fill in the form on our school app (under FORMS) and a username with password will be provided as soon as possible.

Online and hard copy reading logs must be submitted by Friday 25th August.

Book Club

A big thank you to those families that ordered from our first issue of Book Club this year. Every purchase contributes to funds raised for our school Library. Unfortunately, due to some backorders with our supplier, our first issue was delayed with some orders. We apologise for any inconvenience this may have caused. If you have any queries regarding Book Club please feel free to speak with Ms Porter.

Library Blog

Our school Library Blog has been operating since January 2014. It provides up-to-date information regarding new titles, book club, reviews, book trailers, author interviews and much more.

By clicking on some of the other tabs on the website you can see images from past book parades, special events, and links to great websites for kids.

www.williamdeanlibrary.weebly.com/blog



SAFE RESPECTFUL LEARNER AWARD

Congratulations to the following students who have received Safe Respectful Learner Awards.

Term 1 Week 4			
K1	Aylani G	KR	Toriee R
K/1R	Aaron W	1S	Xavier N
1M	Blake B	2S	Ayden P
2/3N	Dakota H	3/4H	Chloe F
3/4I	James C	4/5H	William F
5/6D	-	5/6K	Adrian C

Term 1 Week 5			
K1	Sienna-Rose G	KR	Blake H
K/1R	Aaliyah A	1S	Eli Mc
1M	Victoria T	2S	Rihanna N
2/3N	Aidan W	3/4H	Skye D
3/4I	Tayla P	4/5H	Camren A
5/6D	Phoebe D	5/6K	Riya P

Term 1 Week 6			
K1	Taylen A	KR	Jovlisi C
K/1R	Maddox M	1S	Danielle P
1M	Isaac M	2S	Gary N
2/3N	Antonio D	3/4H	Shua G
3/4I	Shante S	4/5H	Jahzeel Y
5/6D	Alex W	5/6K	Sandra D



PRINCIPAL'S AWARD

Congratulations to the following students who have received Principal's Awards.

Wk 6	"Always displaying excellent work habits"		"Excellent participation in all areas"
KI	Isaak B	KI	Dexter D
K/1R	Lydia S	K/1R	Keenan K
1S	Talia H	1S	Xavier N
2/3N	Brianna M	2/3N	Dean Mc
3/4H	Noemi R	3/4H	Saumya M
5/6D	Alanah W	5/6D	Ayden Mc

BLUEY OF THE MONTH



Each month students have the opportunity to be named "Bluey of the Month"

This award is now allocated on a class basis and not a stage basis which enables more children the opportunity to earn the award. Each class will receive 3 awards throughout the year. To be a candidate for the award students must display the following attributes:- be hard working, dedicated, helpful, polite, encouraging, kind, thoughtful, confident, enthusiastic and participate in activities.

Congratulations to the following Bluey of the Month Winners

- KI Aylani G
- 1M Victoria T
- 2S Franchesca C
- 4/5H Skye D



30th Annual Penrith Working Truck Show

Sunday 19th March 2017
8am - 4pm
Presentations 4pm - 5pm

+ KATZERS RAIN

FUN AND EXCITEMENT!
PLUS MUCH MORE!

THE BEST IN COUNTRY MUSIC

FREE!
MUSEUM OF FIRE

FREE! **TRUCKS & BEET COLE**

FREE!
MUSCAT TRAILERS

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• Over 100 trucks from Penrith Show
 • Interactive fire museum (view of city from sky)
 • Country music & live stage
 • Special live and stage
 • Entertainment & competitions
 • Free BBQ & beer
 • Free food & drinks
 • BBQ, drinks & beer
 • Major prizes & trophies
 • Free parking for all
 • Free admission for all

Kids \$55
 Adults \$85
 Family \$200
 FREE admission for all
 Penrith Working Truck Show
 19th March 2017
 Penrith Showgrounds, Penrith NSW

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Zone Swimming Representatives



The Blacktown PSSA Zone Swimming Carnival was held on Wednesday 1st March 2017. William Dean Public School was represented by 11 fantastic athletes who demonstrated excellent sportsmanship and skill. We are all very proud of your efforts!

Congratulations to the following representatives

Abigail V
Davran Z
Marcus R
Ziahni L
Tavian L
Ainsley D
Sha-Rae H
Riley J
Tenay S
Keian A
Chelsea H



Congratulations to Marcus R and Ziahni L who will be representing our school at the Sydney West Swimming Carnival. We wish you all the very best of luck.

Mr E Daglis
Sports Co-Ordinator

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Term	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1					
6	27 th February	28 th February	1 st March 9am – Community Group 8.30am – Zone Swimming Carnival Blacktown Pool	2 nd March 9.15am – Play- group 2pm – Assembly 5/6D	3 rd March 8.30 -Community Breakfast Clean up WDPS day
7	6 th March 9.15am – P&C AGM in the hall 10.00am P&C Morning tea	7 th March	8 th March 9am – Community Group	9 th March 9.15am – Playgroup 2pm – Assembly 5/6K	10 th March \$50 Camp Deposit Due First 53 students only
8	13 th March School Photos 	14 th March	15 th March 9am – Community Group	16 th March 9.15am – Playgroup 2pm – Assembly 3/4H	17 th March
9	20 th March	21 st March Harmony Day	22 nd March 9am – Community Group	23 rd March 9.15am – Playgroup 2pm – Assembly 4/5H	24 th March
10	27 th March	28 th March	29 th March 9am – Community Group	30 th March 9.15am – Playgroup 2pm – Assembly	31 st March
11	3 rd April	4 th April	5 th April 9am – Community Group	6 th April 9.15am – Playgroup	7 th April Last day of term 1

HOUSE CAPTAINS 2017

GOOLAGONG—	Anna L / Alex W	FRASER—	Taylah B / Bailer M
BRADMAN—	Mya H / Keian A	ELLIOT—	Kayden O / Kale d