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From The Principal ...

The third quarter in sport is often called the premiership quarter. Term 3 has a similar role in the rhythm of a school year. In the Terms 1 and 2 we have established classroom routines, developed learning programs and continued with targeted intervention supporting students to improve their reading. This term we are seeing the results of this work as students are becoming more familiar with their individual reading goals and the comprehension strategies that have been taught in class. The work completed at school can be supported at home by adults regularly listening to children read and asking about what was learned that day at school.

NAPLaN results have been sent home for students in Year 3 & 5. There were some fantastic results again this year with many students showing high levels of growth in their Reading, Writing and Numeracy tests. There are new Proficiencies this year and information regarding these was sent home before results were released, if you have any questions about your child's results or progress, please speak to their classroom teacher or myself.

This week is National Science Week, classes will be spending time looking at the theme this year which is Powering Future Industries. The theme incorporates the advancement in technology in all industries, especially using artificial intelligence (AI). This is followed in Week 5 by Children's Book Week where schools and public libraries celebrate books and Australian children's authors and illustrators. This year's theme is Read, Grow, Inspire and I look forward to next week's parade and activity session that follows.



Scott Moore
Principal WMPS

Learning
Respect
Resilience



From The Wellbeing Leader

Our school was lucky enough to be gifted the “Brave and Able Breathing Buddies” from Kath Loveridge, at *The Moonta Collective*. Thanks Kath! The Breathing Buddies help children to regulate their breathing by focusing on the light on the tummy of the toy. The students love them (as you can see from the smiling faces below 😊).



Students are encouraged to take deep breaths to help regulate their feelings, especially when having big feelings like being overwhelmed, frustrated, angry and sad. As part of our Berry Street education strategies, classes practice relaxation and breathing strategies to help students learn to calm. The Breathing Buddies are a great tool to help children focus on slowing their breathing, calming their nervous system and reducing feelings of overwhelm.

On Monday 7th August, our school was joined by Bute Primary School for a performance called “**STAMP** Out Bullying”. Students enjoyed the show, especially the magic tricks and the stop bullying message which was to:

Stay Away
Tell Someone
Always Help
Make Friends
Play Nicely



Bullying No Way Day is recognised nationally on 18th August. Our school is focusing on the Bullying No Way messages in classes. Students will be engaging in lessons about Bullying – what it is (repeated, intentional, hurtful behaviour), what to do if it happens to them or someone else. If you have any concerns about bullying, please speak with your child’s teacher, myself or Mr Moore.



Kris Strauss-Scott
Well Being Coordinator

Bullying No Way Friday Fun Time



Room 5 students explored the character strengths of Mikey in an episode of 'Hardball' as he starts at a new school in a new country.

Students made friendship rocks



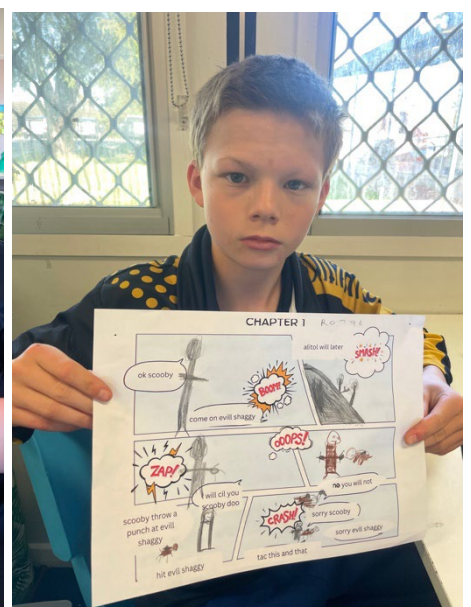
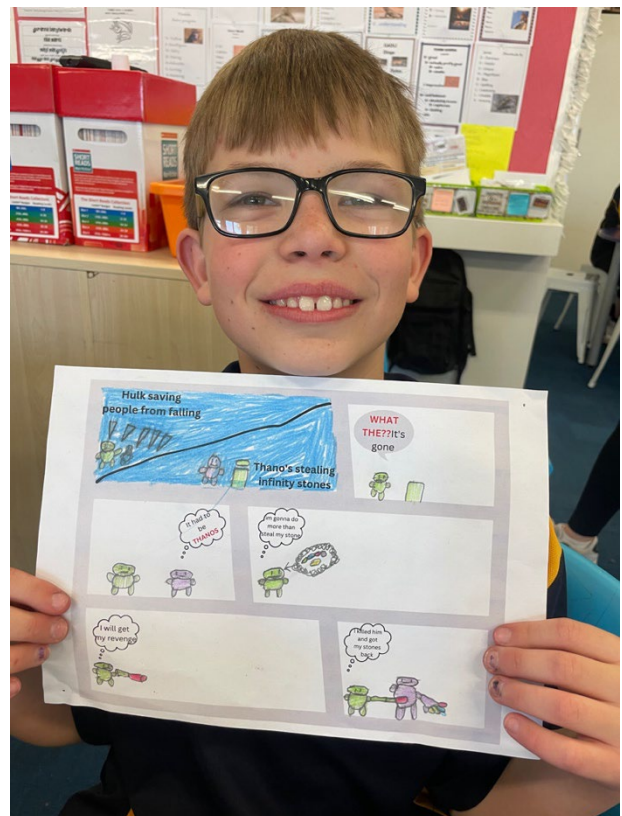
Students made friendship jars

Students made friendship or positive affirmation bracelets.



Room 5 Comic Strips

Room 5 have been exploring animated characters. Through this learning we have planned and developed our own comic strips. Students needed to create two characters that faced an ethical dilemma. Here are some examples of our work.



NYP School Basketball Carnival



On Friday of Week 2, 19 students from Wallaroo Mines PS went to the Copper Coast Sports and Leisure Centre to compete in the NYP School Basketball Carnival against other local schools.

Four boys joined with students from Bute to make a combined side. The team played 6 games and had a good win in one of their games and several other close games. They enjoyed their day, making new friendships and supporting each other.

The all WMPS boys team had a successful day finishing 2nd in their pool. They played 6 games throughout the day, only going down to a strong Kadina side in the semi-final who then went on to play in the grand final. The boys gave their all in every game and modelled the WMPS values throughout the day. They should be proud of their efforts!

Although the girls team didn't manage to win any of their games (1 draw and 5 losses), they all tried hard and put in a fantastic effort all day long. The team scored some goals, and their confidence grew, and ball skills improved throughout the day. They had fun and we hope they are all keen to give it another go next year.

A big thanks to Monica Britton, Trista Garrard, and Dee Wigzell for coaching the teams. Also, thanks go to Georgie Garrard for helping umpire and parents and friends of students who came and supported the teams.

Boys: Maxi Bellchambers-Tremayne, Connor Shean, Asce Pfennig, Charlie Hammond, James Simpson, Connor Jorgensen, Ollie Garrard, Riley White, Logan Brock, Braxton Sutton, Liam Phillips, Dylan Sutton

Girls:

Jade Manley, Jasmine Johnson-Matthews, Crystal Manley, Alexis Serbert, Mackensie Oliver, Bianca Burlinson, Dakota Videon



Book Week

JOIN US FOR BOOK WEEK

TUESDAY WEEK 5



ENJOY BREAKFAST CLUB

Join us for Breakfast Club on Tuesday morning from 8:30-9:00

COSTUME PARADE

The Costume Parade will take place on the basketball court from 9:10-9:40



ACTIVITIES

Engage in a variety of activities from 9:40- 10:20 with your child that explore the Children's Book Council Of Australia short listed books

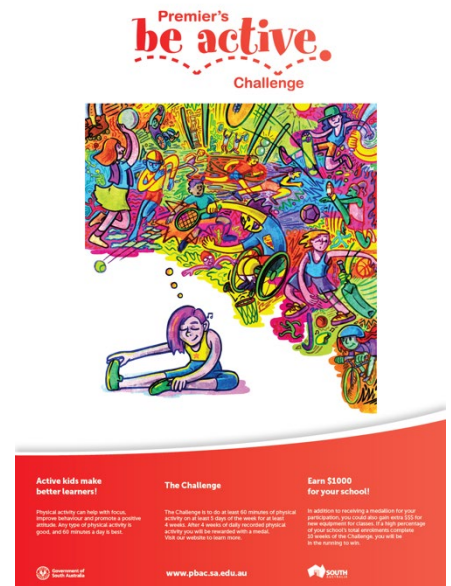
READING

Choose from a selection of texts to read with your child before students return to class at 10:30

Premier's Challenges



Premier's Reading and Be Active Challenges are due back to the front office by Friday the first of September (Week 6). If you need new forms, please see your classroom teacher.



SRC Colour Run

COUNTDOWN IS ON

SCHOOL FUN RUN



Sign Up Now
schoolfunrun.com.au

The SRC will be holding a Colour Run on the last day of school this term. The event will be our major fundraiser for this year. It will be a huge colourful mess and undoubtedly one of the most exciting days on our school's calendar. More information will be sent home to families in Week 6 when we officially launch the event. All students will need either a white t-shirt or an old light-coloured top to wear on the day

Community News

Kadina Playgroup
Wallaroo Mines Primary School
Lipson Avenue, Kadina



WEDNESDAY 9.15-10.45
NEAR PLAYGROUND

with Learning Together Communities

23/24 Registration Night



Thursday 17th August

5pm-6pm

Junior & Senior

at the Wallaroo courts

Kadina Basketball Club is seeking junior players for the 2023/24 season. If you have a child/children who are interested in playing basketball this season we have registration night at CCLC on Thursday 7th September from 5.30pm. Alternatively you can let us know via our Facebook page or contact Heather Miller on 0427 641 867.

What's on at WMPS

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	24/7	25/7	26/7	27/7	28/7
2	31/7	1/8	2/8	3/8	4/8 SAPSASA Basketball Carnival
3	7/8 Stomp Out Bullying Performance	8/8	9/8	10/8	11/8
4	14/8 National Science Week	15/8	16/8	17/8	18/8
5	21/8 Children's Book Week	22/8 Book Week Parade Followed by Activities	23/8	24/8	25/8 Wear it Purple Day
6	28/8 SAPSASA Girls Cricket Gala Day	29/8	30/8	31/8	1/9 Premier's Reading Challenge Forms Due Room 6 Father's Day
7	4/9 Pupil Free Day Royal Show	5/9	6/9	7/9 Reception and Yr 6 Excursion	8/9
8	11/9	12/9	13/9	14/9	15/9
9	18/9	19/9	20/9	21/9	22/9 Premier's Be Active Challenge Ends
10	25/9	26/9 YP Field Days	27/9 School Closure YP Field Days	28/9	29/9 Cross County & Colour Run Last day of term - 2pm Dismissal