

# WONTHAGGI PRIMARY NEWS



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**Our School Core Values: RESPECT SELF AWARENESS CREATIVE THINKING GROWTH**

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## From the Principal



Welcome everyone! It has been wonderful to catch up with families and students after the Summer break. A very special welcome to our Foundation students and other new students and families across the school. I hope that you find your time at Wonthaggi Primary to be rewarding and enjoyable.

At Wonthaggi Primary School we aim to work in partnership with our families. Please remember that we are always here to help and that no question or concern is too small or unimportant. We always find that the sooner we ask for assistance or clarification, the sooner we can work together to resolve any situation that may arise.

As a Department of Education School, we do still have some levels of COVID restrictions in place. These were detailed yesterday and sent out via Compass. If you did not receive the information or are having difficulties with Compass, please call the office so that we can assist you. In brief the important points to note:

- Parents are welcome back into the school grounds for short periods of time (under 15 minutes). Should you need to meet with any member of staff, please call the office and we will make an appointment time for you. Appointments can then be face to face, via phone or Webex, as per your preference.
- We have limited numbers of people (including students and staff) that can be in learning spaces at any given time. Please check notifications on offices, quadrangles, learning spaces and classroom doors.
- Social distancing is vital, but please carry a mask with you at all times. Adults will need to wear a mask where social distancing is difficult.

**To assist you and your child to have a more detailed conversation with your classroom teacher we will be holding Parent, Student, Teacher Conferences in the week of Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb.** Details and bookings next week. Appointments will be offered onsite or by phone call.

**We are thrilled to welcome some new staff to our school for the 2021 school year.**  
Please make welcome:

- Andrew Murray who joins our 1 /2 Team*
- Phil Waugh who joins our 3 /4 Team*
- Tanya Hamilton who joins our 5 /6 Team*



Warm regards,  
*Wendy Bradley*  
Principal

## IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### JANUARY 2021

**PREP STUDENTS DO NOT ATTEND ON A WEDNESDAY FOR THE WHOLE OF TERM 1.**

### FEBRUARY

#### **WEDNESDAY 10th**

- School Council Sub Committee Meetings:
  - Finance @ 4:00pm.
  - Building and Grounds @ 4:30pm.

#### **WEDNESDAY 17th**

- **STUDENT FREE DAY — Staff Professional Learning.**

#### **MONDAY 22nd & TUESDAY 23rd**

- Parent, Student, Teacher Conferences.

#### **TUESDAY 23rd**

- School Council Meeting @ 6:30pm

#### **SATURDAY 27th**

- TRIVIA NIGHT - Wonthaggi Primary School - Parents and Friends - Trivia Night. (See Below)

### MARCH

#### **MONDAY 8th**

- Labour Day Public Holiday.

#### **TUESDAY 23rd**

- School Council AGM.

### APRIL

#### **THURSDAY 1st**

- **LAST DAY OF TERM 1—2:30pm Dismissal.**

#### **MONDAY 19th**

- **FIRST DAY OF TERM 2—Commencing at 8:50am.**

#### **WEDNESDAY 21st**

- **PREP STUDENTS COMMENCE ON WEDNESDAYS FROM TODAY ONWARDS.**



## PARENTS AND FRIENDS

### **SAVE THE DATE!! WPS Trivia Night is back in 2021...**

Saturday February 27th at The Clubhouse. Tickets are \$25 per person with supper provided.

At this stage we are taking bookings for tables of five but this may be modified as restrictions ease further.

So grab your favourite (and smartest!!!) friends and plan a fantastic night out to support Wonthaggi Primary School.

Contact Jane 0412 610 315 to book a seat!

Please note we have not drawn our 2020 Trivia Night Raffle as the night didn't go ahead but we will roll it over to our 2021 Trivia Night.

Cheers,

Parents & Friends Team

## FROM THE OFFICE

**Need to pay fees or buy a hat/school bag for your child?** No Problem!! Contact the office to pay over the phone with credit card or to transfer into the school account. The friendly office team are happy to help.

**Camps Sports & Excursions Fund (CSEF)** is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a means tested concession card eg. A Health Care Card, you may be eligible for CSEF funding. The amount per child is \$125 and can be used to help pay for part of the school fees or school camp.

Application Forms were sent home with the Parent Payment Information at the end of last Year. If you need another copy please contact the office or download one from [www.education.vic.gov.au/csef](http://www.education.vic.gov.au/csef) and return the form to the office.

**School fees are now due** – family statements will be distributed in the next couple of weeks.

If you need assistance in setting up a payment plan for payment of fees, please contact Wendy or Georgie at the office.

**For any assistance at all** don't hesitate to contact the ladies in the office who are happy to help in any way they can.

Georgie Kibble

Business Manager