



Westbreen Primary School

Newsletter

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Principal's Message

Dear Westbreen PS Families,

We Want Our Parents/ Caregivers/Guardians to Tell Us What They Think!

Our school is surveying to understand parents' and guardians' opinions about the school. The Parent/Guardian Opinion Survey is an annual survey provided by the Department of Education. It helps schools comprehend families' perceptions on school climate, student behaviour, and engagement. This year, around 30% of parents and guardians have been randomly selected to participate in the survey.

The survey opened on Monday, July 29th and needs to be completed by Friday, August 30th, 2024. It will be conducted online and will only take 20 minutes to complete. You can access the survey on desktop computers, laptops, tablets, or smartphones anytime during the survey period. The online survey will be available in English and ten other languages, including Arabic, Greek, Hakha Chin, Hindi, Japanese, Punjabi, Simplified Chinese, Somali, Turkish, and Vietnamese. If you were one of the lucky recipients we would love to hear from you. If you need more information, please get in touch with the school office.

Foundation 100 Days of School

Our Foundation Students Turned 100 last week and we had a lively assembly to celebrate this milestone with the whole community highlighting the first 100 school days for our Foundation students. We celebrated the milestone by presenting our Foundation students to the school community with '100 Days of School' medals and a sing along with "Happy 100th School Day." As a group, the Foundation students wore party hats and special t-shirts to celebrate the occasion.

We are all very proud of our students, who over the last 100 days have settled into primary school life so well. We have enjoyed watching them grow in confidence and develop their own personalities to become active members of our school community. I also wanted to recognise the contribution that our Foundation buddies have provided over the last 100 days to these students teaching them the Team Westbreen way.

Congratulations to Ms. Adria Quinn, Ms. Andrea Slade, Ms. Emily Browne, support staff, our Foundation students and their families, in what has been a very positive 100 days. We all look forward to continuing their positive start to school and love of learning in their learning journeys.



Book Week

It's nearly that time of year again when creativity and the wonderful world of books collide! Start thinking about and planning your book week costume for 2024. A whole school parade will be held on Friday, August 23rd. Families are welcome to attend and join in the fun at 9.15 am, weather permitting.



Staff Car Park Reminder

This is a reminder that the staff car park is designated for staff parking and for student pick-up or drop-off in cases of mobility concerns that have been discussed with the school prior to parking. Thank you for your understanding.

Important Reminder: Planning for 2025

We are commencing the process of preparing outcome letters for our families regarding the 2025 Foundation enrolments and welcoming our newest team members to Team Westbreen in 2025. We encourage parents and caregivers to promptly provide all enrolment details for Foundation 2025 to assist with planning for the 2025 school year. Parents can access the school enrolment form on the Westbreen Primary School website (westbreenps.vic.edu.au), visit the school office during opening hours to collect a 2025 enrolment form or speak with Ms Kerry, our Community & Enrolments Officer.

Please remember to include your child's birth certificate, immunization record, and proof of address (such as a copy of a current driver's license, utility bill, or rental agreement) with the form.

Have a great week of learning! We're excited about the Traffic School excursion on Wednesday for our Year 2 students and Year 3/4 students to see Peter and the Wolf at the Arts Centre, Hamer Hall on Friday.

Justin Lania

Acting Principal

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

FA	Ibrahim A	For putting lots of effort into improving his reading. Well done Ibrahim!
FE	Ibrahim C	For all your amazing efforts learning how to read. Incredible work Ibrahim!
FS	Sam H	For his amazing work towards improving his reading. Well done!
1H	Ekamjett M	For adding amazing detail to your narratives, your stories are awesome to read!
1S	Zain A	For sharing his vast Mathematical knowledge with enthusiasm every day. Well done, Zain!
1T	Ahmed S	For putting lots of effort into completing his home learning and for reading regularly to home.
2F	Mia J	For a big effort to improve her neatness & accuracy when practising her hand-writing.
2L	Hassan M	For always being a respectful, caring and compassionate classmate. It's so nice to have you back in 2L after your big trip. Keep up the amazing work Hassan.
2V	Ismael I	For being a fantastic contributor to class discussions and sharing his understanding of money with the class.
34C	Whole Class	For showing lots of curiosity, excitement and enthusiasm when learning about the Olympic Games.
3 4H	Serine S	For doing an amazing job researching and completing her Information Report on The Olympics. Keep up the great work!
3 4O	Haris C	For trying his personal best in learning and persisting with challenging tasks. Well Done!
3 4P	Elias E	For your amazing effort towards writing an information report about the Olympics. Well done.
3 4Z	Soha T	She has shown respect for her learning and that of her peers by quietly focusing and participating in all activities.
5 6D	Jaxon M	For connecting his sporting experience to his reading group discussions and activities - keep it up Jaxon!
5 6N	Aahil S	For a brilliant start to your time at Westbreen. Welcome Aahil!
5 6W	Suhaib S	For a well-structured and interesting information report on the T-Rex. Well done, Suhaib!
5 6Z	Charlotte F	For working hard towards achieving her goal of learning her timestables.

Please note the above Students of the Week will be presented their certificate at assembly on Wednesday 14th August, 2024

BOOK WEEK 2024 at WESTBREEN P.S

READING IS MAGIC

Celebrations begin with.....

- A Book Week Poster Competition- Students are invited to design their own Book Week poster which must feature this year's theme of 'Reading is Magic'. The poster can be done using pencil and/or texta on an A4 sheet of paper. Once completed students are asked to write their name and grade on the back and give their entry to the class teacher. This must be completed by Wednesday the 14th of August.
- Family Time on Wednesday the 21st of August where we will be making art and crafts, such as mask making, may inspire a costume idea or two for Friday's celebrations.
- The author and illustrator Lucinda Gifford will be visiting the school on THURSDAY THE 22nd OF AUGUST! Lucinda will be sharing her books with the students as well as a drawing workshop.
- The Book Parade – Students are asked to come to school dressed as their favourite book character on Friday the 23rd of August. Over the next few weeks you may like to start thinking about planning your costume.

Parents/carers are invited to attend the parade on the basketball courts at 9.15am (weather permitting).

Westbreen Community News

Family Time

This week we are going to make the most of Melbourne's winter sunshine and be outside on the basketball courts for our very own **Team Westbreen Mini Olympics**. Parents/Grandparents/Carers – Could I ask you to join me in helping ensure our Olympic activities run smoothly on the day? Looking forward to seeing you all at 3:15pm to 4:15pm tomorrow.

Please note: all children must always be accompanied AND supervised by an adult during Family Time.

Last week's fun creations from recyclable materials at Family Time



WANTED Volunteer to Co-ordinate Family Time

As I mentioned last week, Family Time has become such a big part of Team Westbreen's weekly schedule and our students and families love it. We need volunteers within our community that would be interested in working with other parents to take turns organising Family Time weekly events.

Westbreen supplies all the materials for Family Time activities, but we are looking for a few community members to come up with some fun idea and make them come to life for our students. Please contact me so we can chat about what's involved and how it works.

Bunnings Sausage Sizzle BBQ

Please see the flyer in this newsletter regarding our request for donations and volunteers for the Bunnings Sausage Sizzle we are hosting at the Coburg North store on Saturday 24th August. We will be there from 8am – 4pm so please come past and say hi, buy a sausage and drink if you can, to support our P&F Community Group as they raise funds to go towards purchasing new Laptops & iPads for our students.

Father's Day Stall – Friday 30th August

Father's Day is fast approaching and it's a time when we get so celebrate our fabulous Fathers, Grandfathers, Stepfathers, or even your favourite uncle! Father's Day can be about whomever you would like to celebrate. Our P&F Community Group will be holding our Father's Day stall on Friday 30th August and all classes will get to visit the stall on the day.

Going forward our Father's & Mother's Day stalls will be structured a little bit differently with a **limit of only 3 presents per student**. Students are welcome to buy 1, 2, or 3 gifts, but no more. Gifts will range from 50cents to \$10.00.

Please see the flyer in this newsletter that is asking for volunteers to help out on the day, as well as any donations you may be able to make. Your time and/or donations are greatly appreciated.

Look out in next week's newsletter where I will be advertising for parents and/or grandparents that would like to volunteer at the school as well as what you need to do before you can start.

If you have any questions about any of the above, please don't hesitate to contact me at any time. Otherwise I look forward to seeing you tomorrow at assembly, or out in the yard during the week.

Kerry Parfett

Community & Enrolment Facilitator

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FATHER'S DAY STALL



WE NEED DONATIONS!

FRIDAY 30 AUGUST

DONATION IDEAS
CHOCOLATE, LOLLIES, COOKIES,
CAPS, BOOKS, SOCKS, TORCHES,
CARDS, FLASKS, GAMES ETC.



PLEASE DROP DONATIONS OFF AT THE FRONT OFFICE OR TO KERRY PARFETT.

STALL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

VOLUNTEER TIMES

8:45 - 11AM

11 - 1PM

1- 3:15PM

SCAN THE QR CODE TO COMPLETE THE VOLUNTEER SIGN UP SHEET.





Westbreen's P & F Community Group

will be hosting a Bunnings Sausage Sizzle
64-96 Gaffney St Coburg North on

Saturday 24th August 2024 from 8am - 4pm

DONATIONS

We are kindly asking for new and unopened donations of the following items:

▪ Cooking Oil	▪ Disposable gloves	▪ Paper Towel	▪ Wipes/Chux
▪ Tomato Sauce	▪ Mustard	▪ Aluminum trays	▪ Serviettes
▪ BBQ Sauce	▪ Bin liners	▪ Aluminum foil	▪
▪ Bottles of water	▪ Soft drinks (Coke, Fanta, Lemonade)		

All donations are greatly appreciated

Please leave at the office by Thursday 22nd August 2024

VOLUNTEERS

Do you have an hour, or two, to help us on the day? Please scan the QR code and register.

The roles on the day will be:

- 2 cooks per shift from 9am
(Mr. Lania will be there all day)
- 2 servers per shift from 9am
- 1 general helper all day



If any queries, please contact Ms. Kerry kerry.parfett@education.vic.gov.au

 SCHOLASTIC

Book Club LOOP

for Parents

Last day for orders 4th September 2024

LOOP is the Scholastic Book Club
Linked Online Ordering & Payment platform for parents.

To order and pay for Scholastic Book Club by credit card visit:

www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP



Is your child facing developmental delays?

UNLOCK YOUR CHILD'S POTENTIAL WITH LITTLE LEARNER-EARLY INTERVENTION'S GREAT TEAM

- **Early Childhood Interventionist (ECI), Key Workers will support you to achieve your child's NDIS goals (age 2-8) and getting them ready for school.**
- **ECI will achieve child's educational goals and developmental goals through play-based learning. ECI will assist you in determining the necessary therapies or support.**
- **ECI will work together with other professionals and therapists.**
- **Furthermore, our experienced OT and Speech pathologist will support your child to reach their full potential through therapeutic practices.**

For those in search of a qualified and experienced ECI, OTs, or Speech Pathologist, please schedule a consultation by email at littlelearners24@hotmail.com or by phone at **O412348620.**



LITTLE LEARNERS
EARLY INTERVENTION

August 2024

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
			1*Breakfast club *Grade 5/6 Hoop Time *Foundation School Crossing	2 	3	4
5*School Council 	6 *Breakfast club	7*Breakfast club *Grade 2 Traffic School	8*Breakfast club	9*Grade 3/4 Excursion Hamer Hall	10	11
12	13*Breakfast club	14*Breakfast club	15*Breakfast club *Grade 3/4 Hoop Time	16*Grade 3 to 6 Athletics Trial Day *Foundation Quantum Excursion	17	18
19*Dental Van	20*Breakfast club *Dental Van	21*Breakfast club *Dental Van	22*Breakfast club *Author/Illustrator visit *Dental van	23 *Book Parade 9:15am	24 * Bunnings BBQ	25
26	27*Breakfast club	28*Breakfast club	29*Breakfast club	30 *Fathers day stall *Gr 5/6 Fitness excursion	31	

September 2024

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
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2*School Council	3*Breakfast Club *Athletics Grade 3 to 6	4*Breakfast Club	5*Breakfast Club	6	7	8
9	10 *Breakfast Club *Grade 1/2 Responsible Pet Incursion	11*Breakfast Club *Camp Grade 3/4	12*Breakfast Club *Camp Grade 3/4	13 *Camp Grade 3/4	14	15
16*Gr 3/4 MCG Excursion	17 Gr 3/4 MCG Excursion *Gr 5/6 Star Lab Dome Incursion	18*Westbeen Got Talent Gr 2 to 6	19*Gr 1 Traffic School Excursion	20*Last day of Term 3 finishing at 2:15pm	21	22
23*School Holidays	24*School Holidays	25*School Holidays	26*School Holidays	27*School Holidays	28	29
30*School Holidays						