



NEWSLETTER

Our Values: Co-operation | Fairness | Trust | Respect

Woodville Primary School – **OUR MISSION:**

Challenging every student to learn, achieve and flourish



TERM 1 No. 1

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30th 2018

PARENT/SCHOOL INFORMATION PACK

Be on the lookout for a package that will be sent home with students containing important information for families. Some forms included in the pack will need to be filled in and returned to school.

Enclosed you will find:

- The Material and Services Invoice/s for 2018, totalling \$270 per child.
- Student Personal Data Sheet/s - need to be checked to ensure that the information is correct, please make any alterations and **sign, date and return** so our records can be updated. If no changes are required you will still need to sign the form and return it.

Please note changes of address must be completed on a separate form available from the front office and supporting documentation is required.

- Permission Forms
- Uniform Price List
- Canteen Price List

Please find attached a copy of Term 1 Calendar with all the events that will be occurring (that we are aware of to date). You will still continue to get notifications of special dates and events via Skoolbag app as well.

All future newsletters will be available electronically via Skoolbag app or via email. If you need a paper copy of the Newsletter, it will be available from the Front Office for you to collect.

School News

WELCOME TO 2018 SCHOOL YEAR

Welcome back to all our students and families. We are excited to be here and share another year with you. I would like to welcome all our new families, especially those whose children are starting school for the first time. We aim to for your association with Woodville Primary school to be positive and rewarding.

This year we welcome the following new staff: Wendy Jolley – Wellbeing and Engagement Leader, Kate Didyk – HASS NIT teacher and Year 1/2 teacher in Room 8 (working with Kathryn Govett), Kim Aworth in Rm 14 with Yr 6/7, Ellen Stewart – Aboriginal Education Teacher (working with Carrie Fleming our ACEO).

CLASSES 2018

Year level	Teacher	Room number
Reception	Tracey McKenna	Room 3
Reception	Olivia O'Halloran	Room 4
Year 1	Brie Manoel	Room 2
Year 1/2	Effie Bourlotos	Room 7
Year 1/2	Kathryn Govett/Kate Didyk	Room 8
Year 2	Sabrina Dumont	Room 9
Year 2/3	Mike Hunjet	Room 10
Year 3/4	Damien Nicholls	Room 15
Year 3/4	Lil Vezis/Gail Painter	Room 16
Year 4/5	Stefan Butler	Room 18
Year 5	Mim Capone	Room 17
Year 6/7	Lisa De Candia	Room 12
Year 6/7	Monica Lee	Room 13
Year 6/7	Kim Aworth	Room 14

Our grounds person John Emery will be retiring on the 2nd February. John has had over 20 years' service with DECD schools and has been an invaluable member during his time at various sites. John has contributed a great deal of skill and knowledge over the years and has also shared his fabulous photography skills (which he will have more time for now). We wish John all the best for a long and rewarding, as well as restful future.

While John was on leave Michelle Nash filled in and I would like to thank her for all her hard work, especially on those scorching days.

We will soon begin advertising for a new grounds person.

SKOOLBAG APP

We introduced the Skoolbag App 2 years ago, the app has events, excursions, newsletters, price lists and reminders to facilitate communication between home and school.

A very useful thing is being able to notify the school of student absences through the app simply select e-forms then absentee form and complete the details.

To find and install the Skoolbag app, just search for our school name Woodville Primary School in either the Apple App Store or Google Play Store. When you have the app downloaded you can subscribe to various push categories (functions) by clicking "more" then setup in the app.

If you have any trouble downloading the app go to the following website for support <https://www.mogproducts.com.au/skoolbag/installation-instructions> or see one of our staff.



QKR

The school has purchased the Qkr app to help facilitate payment options for families. Qkr is a secure and easy way to order and pay for school items such as clothing, lunch orders, excursions and so on.

We are currently in the process of finalising set-up from our end and we will let you know via Skoolbag when this will be ready for you to use, so keep a look out!

For quicker, hassle-free school payments, try Qkr! today

masterpass

Introducing Qkr! (pronounced 'quicker') by Mastercard, the secure and easy way to order and pay for school items from your phone at a time and place that suits you.

With Qkr you can:

- Order and pay for your child's lunches, reducing the need to bring cash to school;
- Pay for a variety of school items;
- See your receipts on the app and get them sent by email if required.

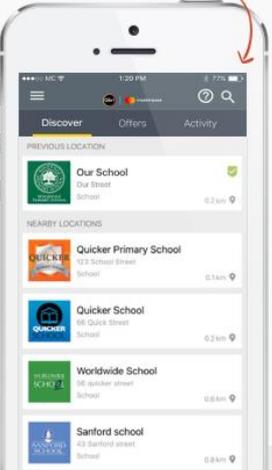
Getting started is easy - try it yourself today

Step 1 Download Qkr!
on your Android phone or iPhone. iPad users can download iPhone app

Step 2 Register
Select your Country of Residence as 'Australia' and follow the steps to register

Step 3 Find our school
Our school will appear in 'Nearby Locations' if you're within 10kms of the school, or search for our school by name.

Step 4 Register your children
When first accessing our school you will be prompted to add a student profile for your child. This allows you to make orders and payments for them.



Search for our school name

If you have made a purchase you can select our school from 'Previous Location'

If you're within 10 kms of the school, you can select our school from 'Nearby Locations'

Add your children's details in Student Profiles



Select 'Add student profile'



Add each child's details



Manage each child's details in Student Profiles

Order meals



Select a menu from our canteen



Tap the green box to view your receipt or to cancel an order



Select a date for a child and order a meal



Tap 'Repeat order' to copy all paid orders from one week to the next



Tap to change the date you are ordering for
Tap to change the child you are ordering for
Tap 'Checkout' then confirm and pay

Making payments



Add up to 5 cards to your wallet



At checkout select which card to pay with.
Pay with any cards accepted by the school.
Once your payment is approved you can continue to the home page, or view your receipt.

DUTY OF CARE

For your children's safety it is important that no child is at school prior to 8:30am as staff are not officially on duty until this time. It is safe for children to enter the yard from 8:30 when there is a yard duty teacher on deck. Students are expected to be off school grounds by 3:15 pm unless attending OSHC. Again this is for students' safety. **Students that are not picked up by 3:20 will be sent to OSHC as has always been the practice here at Woodville.**

AFTER SCHOOL SPORT

If you would like to volunteer to either coach, manage or in any other way support our After School Sport program please let the school know either via email at dl.0497.info@schools.sa.edu.au or phone call: 84452744. Being involved in sports helps students to develop healthy lifestyles and attitudes, fitness, team spirit, commitment, persistence, resilience and giving everything your best go. Whilst the school runs an excellent Physical Education program, we do need the support of volunteers to organise and run team sports after school. Some sports currently run by parents are Netball, Basketball and Football. If you would like to introduce a sport please bring this up with the After-Schools Sports Committee (contact Gail Painter – PE Teacher or Robert Bone – Governing Council Chair).

PLEASE REMEMBER:

1. Students are to wear school uniform as per dress code. **Hats will be worn all term!**
2. Tenterden St is voluntary one way at pick up and drop off times. To avoid traffic jams and possible accidents or traffic infringement fines please adhere to council road signs.
3. Students are **NOT** to be on school grounds before 8:30 am or after 3:15pm. They are not safe as staff are on duty from 8:30 am till 3:15 pm.
4. The staff car park is strictly for school employees. Please be respectful of these conditions. Parking is available along Simpson St., some sections of Tenterden and Evans St., and the Median strip on Port Road.

FURNITURE:

You may have noticed that we have been doing some clearing out. We have some furniture that is no longer required. Some of it has been placed in the shelter shed in the Early Years Yard. If you would like an item (or more) please see a staff member. We would appreciate a gold coin donation for any item you take as this will go to hiring a skip to deal with a large amount of clearing that needs to occur. We will be putting out more 'stuff' over the next couple of weeks so check every now and then to see if there is anything you would like/might be able to use.

STARTING SCHOOL

Starting school for the first time can be a very exciting time but it can also be a time of great anxiety and potential stress. This applies to continuing students as well! Families play an important role in transitioning children either to school for the first time or back to school after a break. There are many simple things to help your child. These include; understanding their behaviour, as well as helping them develop the coping skills needed to best manage the change that comes with starting/returning back to school. This can also be a great time to build your child's problem solving abilities. You may notice some of the following behaviours:

- Clinginess – not wanting to separate from you
- Restlessness – difficulty settling at activities
- Withdrawing – not participating in familiar activities
- Being anxious – shyness, stomach aches, fidgeting
- Refusing to comply – not following rules/routines
- Avoidance strategies
- Planning and organisation difficulties – trouble getting started or finishing tasks
- Increase in crying and tantrums
- Changes in eating habits
- Regression to younger behaviour – baby talk
- Aggressive behaviour – hitting, biting, kicking

There are many ways that you can help your child cope with changes and new feelings and emotions:

- Listen and talk to your child – help them identify their concerns and worries
- Comfort your child – if they don't want to talk then engage them in a shared activity or just cuddle and reassure them
- Demonstrate and model ways that you cope with situations
- Prepare your child for changes – talk positively about school
- Encourage help-seeking – teach them how to ask for help
- Problem-solve the situation using a step by step process

This is a great time to teach your child some problem-solving strategies to cope with challenges.

1. Identify the problem – sometimes children do not have the words to tell you how they feel or know exactly what the problem is. Find a quiet place so your child feels comfortable and relaxed and listen to them. Remember not to jump in and try and solve the problem for them.
2. Find solutions together for your child to try. Brainstorm 2 or 3 solutions to try (not too many as this is overwhelming). Decide together which would be best to try. Work out a plan. Ask if they need support – from you, a teacher or a friend. Try it out.
3. Check in: how did it go? Did it work? If not, why not? What could they try next?
4. Learning to negotiate solutions to everyday problems and make decisions for themselves will help your child to gradually become more independent and responsible. It also helps them feel confident and good about themselves, which is an important part of mental health and wellbeing. When their mental health is supported, children are better learners, have stronger relationships and are better able to meet life's challenges. (Excerpt from KidsMatter program)

School is a community – we all work together to best support all our children! If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to speak to your child's teacher or see Wendy (Wellbeing and Engagement Leader in Rm 11), Kathy (Pastoral Care Worker) or Maria and Kirsty.

WOODVILLE PRIMARY SCHOOL TERM 1 – 2018

Week	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat/Sun
1 Year of the Dog Chinese New Year 16/2	29/1 New Parents Morning Tea	30/1 Rock and water Rm 12,13,14,17	31/1	1/2	2/2 Pancake Breakfast	3/2 4/2
2	5/2 International St Afternoon Tea 2-3pm	6/2 Rock and water Rm 12,13,14,17 International St	7/2 International St Living Skills Y6/7 Boys Gp	8/2 International St	9/2 Brekkie Friday International St SRC	10/2 11/2
3	12/2 International St Governing Council Scouts	13/2 Rock and water Rm 12,13,14,17 International St Enrolment Tour	14/2 Valentine's Day  Living Skills Y6/7 Boys Gp International St	15/2 International St	16/2 Brekkie Friday International St Assembly	17/2 18/2
4	19/2 International St	20/2 International St Rock and water Rm 12,13,14,17	21/2 International St Living Skills Y6/7 Boys Gp	22/2 International St - morning tea	23/2 Brekkie Friday SRC	24/2 25/2
5	26/2	27/2 Rock and water Rm 12,13,14,17 School Open Night AGM	28/2 Living Skills Y6/7 Boys Gp	1/3	2/3 Pancake Breakfast	3/3 4/3
6	5/3	6/3	7/3 Living Skills Y6/7 Boys Gp	8/3	9/3 Brekkie Friday Assembly	10/3 11/3
7	12/3 Adelaide Cup Day Holiday 	13/3 Pupil Free Day (TBA) Ana Korab - Writing	14/3 Living Skills Y6/7 Boys Gp Rock and water Rm 12,13,14,17	15/3 Rock and water Rm 12,13,14,17	16/3 Brekkie Friday SRC	17/3 18/3
8	19/3 Governing Council	20/3 Enrolment Tour	21/3 Living Skills Y6/7 Boys Gp Harmony Day Assembly	22/3 Rock and water Rm 12,13,14,17	23/3 Brekkie Friday	24/3 25/3
9	26/3	27/3 Staff Meeting Rock and water Rm 12,13,14,17	28/3 Living Skills Y6/7 Boys Gp Rock and water Rm 12,13,14,17	29/3 Sports' Day (day time event)	30/3 GOOD FRIDAY 	31/3 1/4 Day Light Savings end
10 Meet and Greet Interviews	2/4 EASTER MONDAY 	3/4 Staff Meeting Rock and water Rm 12,13,14,17	4/4 Living Skills Y6/7 Boys Gp	5/4	6/4 Pancake Breakfast SRC	7/4 8/4
11	9/4 School Photos	10/4 Staff Meeting Rock and water Rm 12,13,14,17	11/4	12/4	13/4 Brekkie Friday End Term 1 Assembly 2:05 Dismissal 	14/4 15/4 Creator Kids 17/4 – 18/4