

Wandering News

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Coming Events

Monday 17 July

Term 3 Commences

Wed 26 - Thurs 27 July

Dryandra Camp years 2-5

Wed 9 August

P&C Meeting @3pm

KINDY STUDENTS ATTEND TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY & THURSDAY FOR THE REST OF THE YEAR

Principal's Pen

The end of term two has arrived and what a term we have had. For starters we had our school ANZAC service on the first day back to school. It was fantastic to see so many of our students attend the Wandering ANZAC service on the 25th April.

Our students have been very busy with their school work, there has been a gentle 'hummm' in the classrooms. The staff members have completed the First Aid course which is a requirement from the Department.

Kerry has attended the WHS 5 day course and we need to make a list of things that are a hazard in our school.

The senior class attended the Cicada play which they really enjoyed and they represented the school really well in public. We also went to have a look at the model Railway in the information centre. The gentleman who made the model was there and was just about ready to leave the building but he stayed, and gave the students a free tour of how the lights, etc worked and a bit of history of the Narrogin township. The seniors also attended a training day in Wickopin for the Winter Carnival and we had a great time mingling with the Wicky and Yealering students. It is fantastic that the three small schools are working together more for the greater good of our students and their learning. After the training we went to visit Albert Facey house. Some of the students have been reading about his journey in the Wheatbelt. They really enjoyed seeing his house and they made connections with the photos and could not believe in how they lived back then. What NO TV, telephone or even a computer.

Items that will be in the **Term Planner**. We will be having Athletics training next term, dates will come out later as I need to talk to the other schools principals. Wandering and Yealering students enjoy working together in sports. The year 2-5 will be attending an overnight camp at Dryandra on the 26th and 27th July in Week two. We have our Staff Development Day on the 18th August so a long weekend for the families. We coincide with Boddington District High School with our development day. Please keep your Planner updated with any additions or changes that you see advertised in the newsletter.

It has been a busy term and we are all looking forward to have a great break. Enjoy your holidays and stay warm.

Merrill Ridgely

Principal





Wandering Primary School Vision Statement

At Wandering Primary School, we are a caring and nurturing school community which supports the students to discover, learn and grow in an inclusive, multi-age environment.

We aim to develop our students to be resilient, productive, and respectful citizens of tomorrow.

We are focussed on the academic, emotional, social, and behavioural well-being of every child.

Students at Wandering Primary School are at the heart of all the decision making.

Student Dress Code

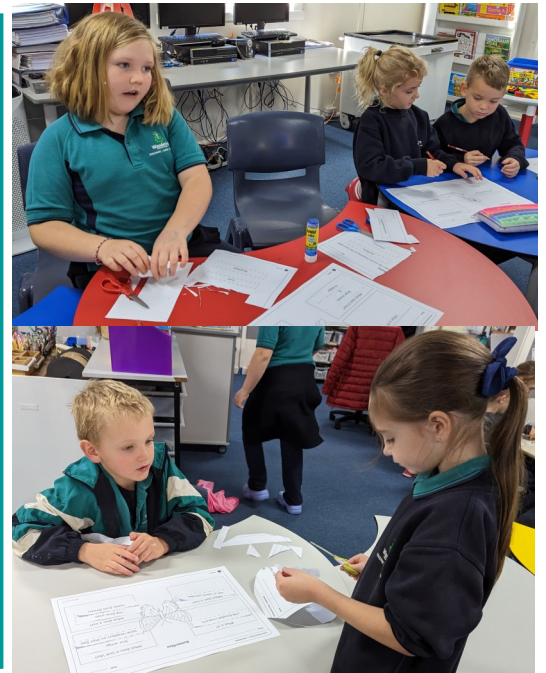
Our new Student Dress Code has been approved by the P&C and the School Council. A copy of it can be provided to you upon request or accessed on our website [here](#).



Junior Room

We have hit the end of Term 2 and the Junior Room hasn't slowed down! Over the last few weeks, during our English lessons, the Year 2's chose their own animals to research and began writing their information reports. The Kindy-Year 1 students have been learning about wolves and are starting to organise their facts into different subheadings.

In Maths, the Kindy and Pre-Primary students have been working on partitioning, the Year 1's consolidated their 10 Facts and have begun working on physical take away, and the Year 2's have been using their brains as calculators, to calculate totals using strategies such as; near doubles and build to 10.



Small Schools Winter Carnival

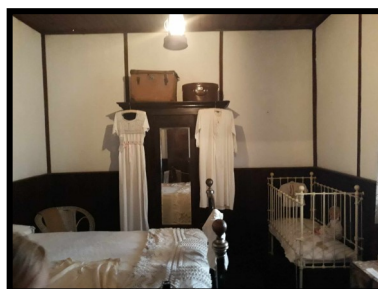
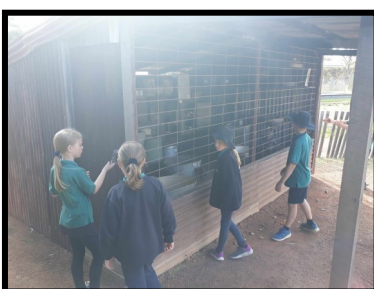
The Small Schools Winter Carnival was a memorable and successful event for the Senior Class, filled with teamwork, skill development, cultural exploration, and positive experiences. Participating was a fantastic opportunity for the Senior Class to make new friendships and engage in a team sport. Collaborating with students from Wickepin and Yealering to form a hockey team was a great experience for everyone involved.

Thank you to Gill Spargo, Jayce Fulford and Stacey Halstead of Wickepin for all your hard work as our experienced hockey coaches. The targeted skill building activities helped the students improve their accuracy and confidence, contributing to the formation of a strong team. It's wonderful to see the students quickly make friends with one another and develop a sense of camaraderie.

Visiting the Albert Facey Museum in Wickepin was an exciting experience, especially for the students who were reading "A Fortunate Life" by Albert Facey. Being able to see his home and witness the rooms as he described them, brought the book to life. Discovering items like the Coolgardie cooler, meat safe, outside tin bucket dunny, and outdoor laundry added an interesting historical touch to the visit.

Competing in the Winter Carnival in Narrogin was challenging, particularly with the freezing and blustery weather. However, it's fantastic to hear feedback from participating schools and coaches that the students represented the school beautifully, displaying great teamwork and fairness. Scoring a few goals and receiving compliments for their enthusiastic and positive attitude was very rewarding for the students.

Unfortunately, the presentations started later than expected, but the day ended well overall. Packing up and heading home without encountering rain during the games was fortunate. Thank you, Hannah, Joel R, Athena, Ida, Joel C, and Rhian, for representing the school with pride and integrity.



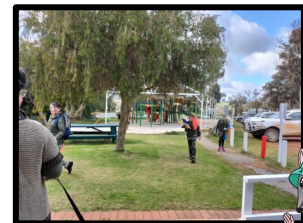
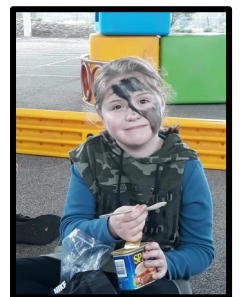
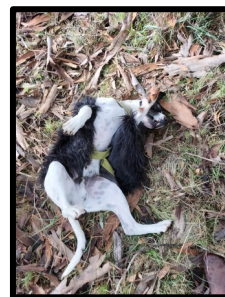
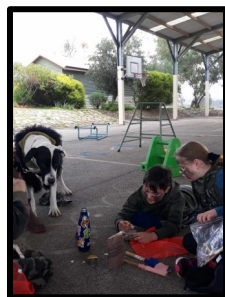
Senior Class News

The Senior Class performed a powerful and memorable assembly last week by making a video clip that re-enacted old film clips from World War 1 to the war song *"Pack Up Your Troubles"*.

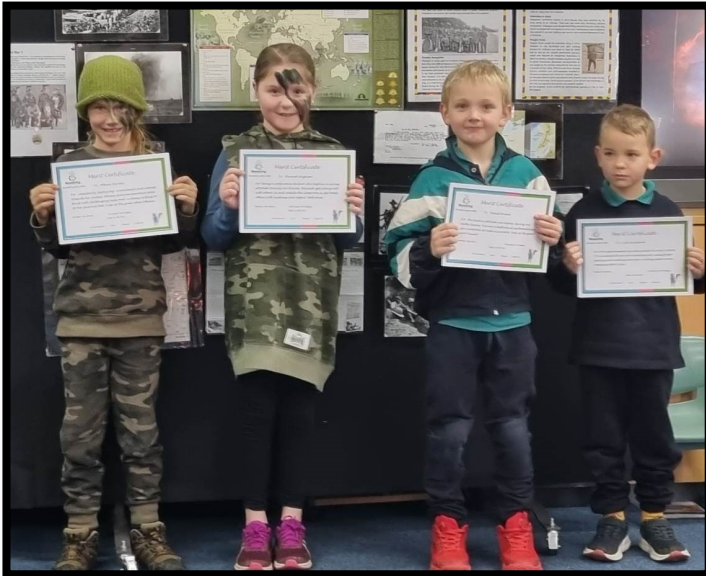
It was wonderful to see the students actively participating in choosing the best act to match the lyrics and the parts they wanted to play. Kudos to Miss Jenny for her efforts in creating crafty props, and to the parents for contributing costumes from home. Such collaboration and support make these activities even more special.

Playing capture the flag on the Western Front was an exciting and educational way to further immerse the students in the history we were learning about. The fact that they were divided into teams, provided with a map, and given food rations relevant to the time period added an immersive touch to the activity. The students worked hard as a team to locate as many flags as possible, gaining empathy and respect for the Australian soldiers who faced similar challenges during the war.

The Senior Class have had a fantastic term, filled with opportunities for active learning, creativity, and teamwork. These experiences will undoubtedly leave a lasting impression them, fostering a deeper understanding and appreciation for history.



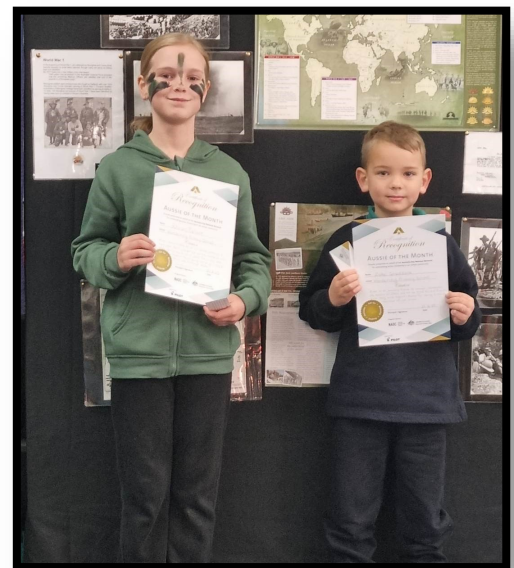
AWARD WINNERS



Congratulations to our Merit Award winners for the Term! Athena, Hannah, Daniel and Zuke, you have exceeded expectations in class and are deserving recipients of the merit awards that were presented to you. Keep up the fantastic work!

AUSSIE OF THE TERM

Aussie of the Month is for a student who demonstrates active citizenship. Active citizens contribute to a supportive and caring community by helping, offering encouragement, and being a good listener. They treat everyone with respect and fairness, helping to make a welcoming environment where everyone feels welcomed and accepted. Congratulation Zuke and Rhian for your service to our school community.

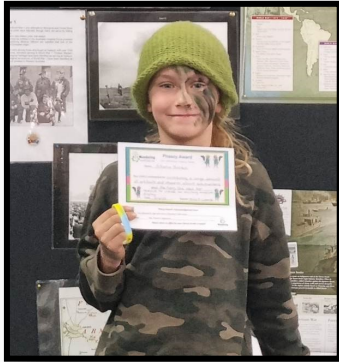


Did you know that we have a secret club at our school....?

Nobody knows how it began, or who is in charge, but over the term more and more of our students have been joining it.... They don't do anything different or go anywhere cool.... But they clearly have a secret....Can you figure out how to join the club?



FAZZ Award Winners



Congratulations to our FAZZ award winners for the term, Athena (twice), Anna, Joel, Emma (absent) & Roulland (absent). Keep being FAZZtabulous!!

FOCUS VALUE



Achievement

A thing done successfully with effort, skill or courage.



The Library Lowdown

The CBCA (Children's Book Council of Australia) Book of the Year awards, have an amazing list of shortlisted books for 2023. The list includes a wonderful array of fantastic reads, which will be arriving on our school library shelves next term!



The Senior Room has claimed victory our 'Remember to Pop Your Books Back' competition. Well done to those who diligently remembered to return their books each week. The Senior Room students will be rewarded for their efforts!

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

Mark it on your calendar! Our annual Scholastic Book Fair will be held in Term 3 on Monday 28 August and Tuesday 29 August. We will be celebrating by having our annual 'Dress Up as Your Favourite Book Character' day on Tuesday 29 August. so get your thinking caps on for costume ideas!

Leanne Rose – Library Officer



"I have always imagined that paradise will be a kind of library." – Jorge Luis Borges



2023 Public School Council Meeting

On Thursday 24 August 2023 the Wandering Primary School Council will be holding its Annual Public Meeting. During this meeting all members of the community are invited to attend and observe the meeting.

This would be a great opportunity to see what the school council do at Wandering Primary – We are still searching for a community member to join us.

We would love to see you there:

WHEN: Thursday 24 August 2023

@ 3pm

WHERE: Wandering Primary School

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the



Our School Council are looking for a community member to join them.

Being a member of a School Council is an important and rewarding role that contributes greatly to the success of a school. Members from the wider community can lend their skills and expertise to the school to assist in its success.

Nominations are open now for a community member to join our council. If you are interested, please contact the school on 9884 2950 or via email: wandering.ps@education.wa.edu.au





Chaplains Chat

Hi Everyone,

It's the end of second term and it feels to me like it wasn't long ago started. It continues to be an absolute pleasure, to be school chaplain for your school and community.

I was able to go to the Community Resource Centre and be part of a nation wide reading of a story with the children and also assist with the activities for them.

It was also a highlight to see the museum that was made about war time. Amazing !

Oh, and assisting when the children made ANZAC biscuits.

In the Junior class they made rain catchers and then it rained the same weekend. When I was next at school, the rain catchers had some lovely clear water in them.

I could honestly write for along time about all the exciting and interesting learning activities that the children have. At the same time, I'm keeping check to make sure everyone is travelling ok, to lend an ear or a chat if need be.

Wandering School was host to Wickepin and Yealering PS for a PD called Third Space. It was amazing and very timely. It reminded us to, all take that small amount of time to check in with our stress levels and enabled us to think about how our stress levels may perhaps be affecting our relationship with our loved ones. We were given some practical tips on how to identify and then maintain, small moments of calmness and kindness to ourselves, as we progress through our day. We were also encouraged to keep up the good work on keeping an eye out for each other and making time, should someone need to debrief and download.

I would like to wish every one a safe a happy rest during the impending school holidays ,

I look forward to seeing you all next term,

Mrs Smith (Happy Chappy)



Thank you...

BURKY'S PATCH BANNISTER

Mine Head Wishing Well

All proceeds collected at the Wishing Well are donated to our small school. Thank you to Burky's Patch for your support!

Updated

Communication Plan

Thank you to all those who responded to our Communication Survey earlier this term. We have used this information to devise a new plan to facilitate communications between the school and our parent community.

We will be sending all notices, newsletters, etc. to parents through the use of the Connect platform. You will receive an email with the notice from Connect. You will need to log into Connect to read the attached documents and access the Library. To ensure that you are aware that this information has been sent we will also send a short text message alerting you to the email as well and we will continue to do this until the end of week 5 Term 3. At this point we will cease sending the text message and communication will solely be sent via email through the Connect platform.

Permission slips, etc will still be sent home in paper form and we will endeavour to post them on Connect as well - just in case you need to re-print them at home. **The Connect App has been updated and is much better than it used to be so please download it and log in.** The App will now keep you logged in for up to 6 months so this should assist in making in very user friendly! If you have any difficulties accessing the information, please let us know and we can assist you in sorting the issues out. Kerry is generally in the office Mon—Thurs and can be contacted on 98842950 or via email Kerry.lobb@education.wa.edu.au.

Early Drop Off

School opens at 8.30am. If your child/ren arrives before this time you must stay with them unless you have confirmed with a staff member that it is ok to leave.

Thank you for your assistance.



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P&C News!

Our P&C AGM was held on Wed 15 February 2023. Your 2023 Executive Members are:

President	Jemma Caldwell
Treasurer	Rikki-Lee Reid
Secretary	Kerry Lobb
Uniform	Kerry Lobb

Our next meeting is being held on Wednesday 9th August @ 3.00pm in the Staff Room.

Our Pizza fundraiser was a huge success with the students ordering 20 pizzas all up! We made a profit of \$59!!

Thank you to all of the parents who supported this fundraiser. We look forward to the next one.

Our minutes can now be found on the brand new P&C page on the school's website.



LOST PROPERTY

If your child has some missing uniforms, please have them check the table of unclaimed items outside the classrooms.



WANTED

We are looking for donations of:

- Clean empty small drink bottles
- Small to medium boxes
- Wood offcuts (wood and branches)
- Retic pipe / poly pipe offcuts
- Empty 1kg Hummus / Yoghurt containers
- Bamboo garden stakes
- Tiles for mosaic
- Artificial flowers



Wandering Primary School Term Planner



Term 3 2023							Wandering	
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	SAT	SUN	
	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	
1	17 Term 3 Commences	18	19	20	21	22	23	
2	24	25	26 DRYANDRA CAMP	27 Years 2 - 5	28	29	30	
3	31	1 August	2	3	4	5	6	
4	7	8	9 KEEP CALM AND COME TO THE P&C MEETING P&C Meeting @ 3PM	10	11	12	13	
5	14	15	16 SUPER HERO DAY	17	18 SDD	19	20	
6	21	22	23 BookWeek	24 School Council @3pm	25	26	27	
7	28 BOOK FAIR	29 DRESS UP	30	31 Fathers Day Activities @9am	1 September	2	3	
8	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	
9	11	12	13 ASSEMBLY	14	15 ATHLETICS CARNIVAL	16	17	
10	18	19	20	21	22 STUDENTS RETURN TO SCHOOL MON 9 OCTOBER 2023	23	24	
	25 King's Birthday	26	27	28	29	30	1 October	

School Hours
8.45 am - 3.00pm
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday
Early close Thursday @ 2.30pm

Positive Behaviour Support
Achievement / Integrity / Respect / Care



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Additional Information

This page has been added to assist families in the preparation of term events. As items are added to the planner an updated copy will be loaded to Connect for your reference.

July 17 – Students and Staff return to school to commence Term 3.

July 26 – 27 - Dryanda Camp years 2 – 5 students. Overnight camp.

August 9 – P&C Meeting @3pm in the Staff Room at the school. All welcome.

August 16 – Super Hero Day. Dress as your favourite Super Hero and bring a gold coin donation.

August 18 – School Development Day. No students attend school on this day.

August 24 – School Council Meeting @3pm. This is a public meeting and all are welcome to attend to observe.

28 – 29 August – Book Fair. Book character dress up parade will be held at 9am on Tuesday 29 August.

31 August – Fathers Day Activities @ 9am. Dad, granddad, uncle, mum, etc. invited to join in with students. More information will be sent home.

13 September – School Assembly @ 9am

15 September – Interschool Athletics Carnival at Wickepin Town Oval (Backup date is 18 September 2023) More information will be sent home when available.

22 September – Last day of Term 3.