



What's On At Watsonia Primary

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Dear Watsonia PS community,



This week at Watsonia PS we recognised National Reconciliation Week which ends on the 3rd June. National Reconciliation Week is about coming together, acknowledging and remembering the past and making efforts to engage in reconciliation going forward. It recognises the long history of our indigenous peoples and of their experience in the last two hundred years. We had a number of activities in every classroom where, together, we explored some very important topics and helped each other to appreciate this year's theme "Grounded in Truth: Walk together with courage" I was very impressed with the sensitivity, empathy and resoluteness displayed by our students and staff.

The Prep, One and Two excursion to the Melbourne Museum for the "Bugs Exhibition" was a great success on Thursday. It was a real pleasure to see our students approach the exhibits with wonder and curiosity built on their prior knowledge from classroom activities prior to their visit. We were very proud of our students who were very well behaved and respectful of others. The Museum presenter was very impressed by our student's knowledge of insect species and terminology. Our students became budding scientists (entomologists more specifically) who could classify creatures and showed that they can comfortably use terms like: thorax, abdomen, exoskeleton, arthropods and cephalopods. After our session on insects we explored the "Bugs Alive" exhibit looking at many different creatures including a live giant green tree ant nest and a collection of huge tarantulas. This was followed by exploring the "Dynamic Earth," "Marine Life" and "Dinosaur walk." Thank you to our students who represented our school so well and to our teachers who organised and supported this excellent excursion: Ms Hunt, Ms Lyall, Ms Cochrane and Ms Viney.



It's been another good week for science; while the Prep - 2s were at the Museum the 3 to 6s rotated through a science class where they made mini bouncing balls from PVA glue, borax, warm water and food dye. Thanks, Ms Anderson, for putting together such an engaging activity.

Congratulations to the Open/Day night trail quiz winners: Chloe L, Tyler, Georgi and Eric who were drawn from all the correct entries and awarded a prize at this week's assembly.

This week Garden Grubs did a great job trimming back some vegetation from the canoe and re-planting a garden bed outside the Hall – a great way to stay warm on a wintery day.

We welcomed back Ms Noack this week who returns from two weeks in China where she competed in a Marathon that even included a stretch on the Great Wall of China! Good to see you back safe and sound.

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Regards, Paul Johnson, Principal, Email: johnson.paul.p@edumail.vic.gov.au



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TERM 2 PLANNER 2019

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Weekend
Apr 22	Apr 23	Apr 24	Apr 25	Apr 26	Apr 27/28
(Week 1) Easter Monday Public Holiday			ANZAC Day Public Holiday	Interschool Sports against Watsonia North away	
Apr 29	Apr 30	May 1	May 2	May 3	May 4/5
(Week 2) PUPIL FREE DAY			School Photos 		May 5 th Bunnings BBQ
May 6	May 7	May 8	May 9	May 10	May 11/12
(Week 3) Year 6 fundraiser Raffle begins		Mother's Day Stall 9am to 11am		Mother's Day Stall 11.30am	May 12 th Mother's Day
May 13	May 14	May 15	May 16	May 17	May 18/19
(Week 4)	NAPLAN P-2 Bugs Excursion money and form due.	NAPLAN	NAPLAN Swimming notices for term 3	Interschool Sports against Norris Bank away	Election Day BBQ and Cake stall
May 20	May 21	May 22	May 23	May 24	May 25/26
(Week 5) Education Week District Cross Country		Open Day 9am to 12.30pm & Evening 5.30pm to 7.30pm		Interschool Sports against Watsonia Heights home	
May 27	May 28	May 29	May 30	May 31	Jun 1/2
(Week 6) Year 6 Raffle drawn			P-2 Bugs Excursion Melbourne Museum 9.30 to 2.30	Interschool Sports against Streeton home	
Jun 3	Jun 4	Jun 5	Jun 6	Jun 7	Jun 8/9
(Week 7)				Interschool Sports against Greensborough away	
Jun 10	Jun 11	Jun 12	Jun 13	Jun 14	Jun 15/16
(Week 8) PUBLIC HOLIDAY Queen's Birthday		Swimming notices and money due back 1/2 Showcase 9.15am to 10.00am	Graduation Fundraiser - Out of uniform day with a sports theme.	Interschool Sports make up Round against St Mary's home Prep Showcase 9.05am to 9.45am	
Jun 17	Jun 18	Jun 19	Jun 20	Jun 21	Jun 22/23
(Week 9) Planning Week 5/6 Montmorency College excursion School Council Meeting 7.30pm			3-6 Showcase 9.10 to 9.45	Camp Deposits due Interschool Sports make up round against Bundoora home LLLL Prep Dress up day 2019 Reports to go home via Compass	
Jun 24	Jun 25	Jun 26	Jun 27	Jun 28	Jun 29/30
(Week 10)		2019 Three Way Conferences 12.30 to 8.30pm PUPIL FREE DAY		Last Day of Term 2:30 finish.	