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Dear Watsonia PS community,



What a tremendous success Wakakirri was on Monday night over at the Clocktower Theatre in Moonee Ponds. It was an incredibly positive experience and I don't think we'll ever forget the excitement of our students before they went on stage; or the support our families showed as audience members; or of course their excellent performance. It was such a great night. I'm so happy to report that our students enjoyed the preparation for the big night at every stage including Tuesday dance sessions - where they learned challenging dance moves; making props and costumes; and spending a day in and around a professional theatre. Clearly, they were loving every minute as they performed. We were very proud to see all our 3-6 students up onstage, looking like they were having fun and supporting each other. This was obviously noticed by the judges as we did manage to collect four awards, including the highly coveted "Spirit of Wakakirri Award". Along with a participation award we also collected: "Most Creative Reuse of Materials for



Sets and Props Award" and "Best Backstage Crew Award". Well done us! We know that our school production last year: "A Night at the Museum" was spectacular but it's reassuring to see that we can easily measure up very well in comparison to other schools.



A massive thank you to our families who worked with us to make it run smoothly and of course to our wonderful staff who made this opportunity for students possible, working very hard here at school and on the night, especially Ms Viney, Ms Wright, Ms Noack, Ms Anderson and Ms Fenech. We all look forward to next time!

Week 2 of our swimming program ran today, and it was very nice to see our swimmers returning with big smiles. Thanks to parents who attended and are giving their time to support their children and for working with our teachers to ensure a smooth, safe and enjoyable time while our students develop their swimming skills.

This week Prep AH and 1-2 SL were busy in the art room with Rosie and Ms Viney as they painted some up-cycled car hubcaps with bright colours that will look great back in the school yard. Nice work!

Our Junior School Council: Scarlet, Amber, Phoebe and Ming (guided by Ms Anderson) have placed suggestion boxes in the school for other students to provide feedback on school improvement. The JSC are also working on some lunchtime activities so we look forward to seeing what happens next. Your work representing other students is very much appreciated.

You'll remember in last terms newsletter I explained that we are in the process of appointing the Ed Dept's approved Architects for our \$2million funding for our facilities improvements and I can report that in the next few weeks we should know who the Architects are and can begin our exciting work with them.



Please look out for the Compass message that provides a link to our Parent Opinion Survey. The online survey takes about 10-15 minutes to complete. Your opinion on how the school is travelling is greatly appreciated and helps us with our planning.

Please remember that we have a Pupil Free Day next Thursday Aug 1st which will be used by our staff for professional development and a review of our school improvement priorities.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend.

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



EFTPOS The school office has the facilities for families to pay via EFTPOS either using your credit card or debit card we can also do remote credit transactions (strictly no cash out). Anyone wishing to pay any type of payment whether its school fees, booklist, uniform, camps, Bookclub etc can be done so just talk to Sue in the office.



Watsonia Primary School P&F Submit your Feedback & WIN

The Parents & Friends Committee would love to hear your thoughts on committee operation and fundraising in the school. Please complete this short survey to provide your feedback.

All families who complete the survey will go in the draw to **WIN a voucher** for 4 delicious cupcakes from local bakery, **Wish Upon a Cupcake.**

SURVEY CLOSES: 31ST July

WINNER will be announced: Friday 2nd August in Newsletter

Please access the survey here: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/VD6VZ9C>



TERM 3 PLANNER 2019

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Weekend
Jul 15	Jul 16	Jul 17	Jul 18	Jul 19	Jul 20/21
(Week 1)		5/6 excursion to Parliament House		Swimming Lessons commence	
Jul 22	July 23	Jul 24	Jul 25	Jul 26	Jul 27/28
(Week 2) Leave for Wakakiri 1pm Wakakiri Performance Night				Swimming Lessons	
Jul 29	Jul 30	Jul 31	Aug 1	Aug 2	Aug 3/4
(Week 3) School Council			PUPIL FREE DAY	Swimming Lessons Mad about science incursion money due. \$9.00	
Aug 5	Aug 6	Aug 7	Aug 8	Aug 9	Aug 10/11
		Pyjama Day –Gr 6 fundraiser		Swimming Lessons	
Aug 12	Aug 13	Aug 14	Aug 15	Aug 16	Aug 17/18
(Week 5) STEM day - Mad about science incursion 2-3pm.	J.B SSG		Book fair begins 8.45 to 9am & 3.30 to 3.45pm	Book fair 8.45 to 9am & 3.30 to 3.45pm District Aths money due Swimming Lessons	
Aug 19	Aug 20	Aug 21	Aug 22	Aug 23	Aug 24/25
(Week 6) BOOK WEEK DRESS UP DAY Bookfair 8.45 to 9am & 3.30 to 3.45pm	Bookfair 8.45 to 9am & 3.30 to 3.45pm			Swimming Lessons	
Aug 26	Aug 27	Aug 28	Aug 29	Aug 30	Aug 31/Sep 1
(Week 7)		Father's Day Stall	District Athletics Meadow Glen 9:30-2:45pm	Swimming Lessons Father's Day Stall	
Sep 2	Sep 3	Sep 4	Sep 5	Sep 6	Sep 7/8
(Week 8) Footy Day		1/2 SL Showcase 9:05-9:50		Final Swimming Lessons Final Camp Payments Due	
Sep 9	Sep 10	Sep 11	Sep 12	Sep 13	Sep 14/15
(Week 9) Camp forms to go home School Council		Art Show		3-6 Learning Showcase 2:30-3:15	
Sep 16	Sep 17	Sep 18	Sep 19	Sep 20	Sep 21/22
(Week 10)			Camp forms Due Prep Showcase 9:05-10	Last Day of Term 2:30 finish. Lunchtime disco – Gr 6 fundraiser 50c entry	