From the Principal …………

Dear Parents,

Firstly and most importantly please be aware that Parent/Teacher interviews are scheduled for next Tuesday night and Wednesday afternoon. If you haven’t logged on to Compass to book an appointment please do so as soon as possible. If you are having difficulty with your log-in and password please don’t hesitate to contact Mrs Joy Roberts in the office on 9808 2165 who will assist you with your details.

The school has completely revamped our reporting and assessment procedures for 2016. We now have two interview sessions with parents throughout the year focusing on individual students’ learning goals. At next week’s meeting, classroom teachers will go through with you the new goals for your students for the second half of the year.

The only exceptions being Year 1S as Mrs Kathryn Skantzos is still on long service leave. Upon her return Mrs Skantzos will organise an alternative date for interviews. Mr Steve Donohue who has stepped into the Year 4H class will have a meet and greet session as this has been his first week in the role as classroom teacher.

As you may be aware Ms Leanne Wren (mother of Alicia 2G) has kindly stepped into the role as Canteen Manager as Mrs Joanna Bryant has taken on a new position as an interpreter for an organisation. We wish Joanna all the very best in this new role and thank her for her serving the students at Wattle Park Primary School.
For the canteen to remain viable it is essential that we have parent and/or grandparent volunteers. Leanne cannot do it alone. The canteen is a great opportunity for parents to become involved in school activities and like Alison Dunn before her, Leanne is a parent of the school and actually a past pupil, who would be able to assist you with any enquiries as to who to ask if you have particular questions about the school.

I met with some of the junior school parent representatives this week who gave feedback on how we could best support Leanne in the role. Please be aware that if you have only an hour to spare to help in the canteen that is certainly valued. Also it is not a weekly commitment, if you can spare one day throughout the term that time is also welcomed. You just need to have a ‘Working with Children’s Check’ which is available on-line at http://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au/

The volunteer link for the canteen is http://vols.pt/SvjTXR. If you can spare some time, the students would certainly be grateful, ensuring that they receive their lunches on time.

Please note that canteen lunches will be available for Year 3 to 6 students on Monday even though they are participating in the House Athletics Day at Hagenaeurs Reserve. The school will organise transport of their lunches to the venue.

Last Tuesday night the school was the location for the annual Mont Albert and Surrey Hills Rotary Club’s Primary School Speech Night. Twelve local schools participated in this year’s event. Last year Lu H 6T from Wattle Park was the winner and we passed that mantle over to Siobhan D from ‘Our Holy Redeemer’. However Rowan P 5J was very close behind receiving second place. We’d like to congratulate both Lu and Rowan who presented so superbly on the night. Great performances amongst a very talented team of students.

Congratulations to all the Year 3 to 6 students who performed last week at the Boite Schools Chorus. Geoffrey Williams led the combined schools choir in soul, blues and reggae music. It was a delight! The senior choir will perform one of those songs at the next scheduled assembly on 22nd August.

We’ve had a number of very exciting and inspiring activities around the school this last week. Unfortunately I was absent last Friday, when a highly successful Olympics day celebration initiated and led by the Year 6 students was held. From all accounts the students had a wonderful morning with a ‘National Country Procession’ and team sports.

I also popped my head into the Year 4 classes on Thursday while they had an incursion on the computer game Minecraft. The creative and building aspects of Minecraft enable players to build constructions out of textured cubes in a 3D procedurally generated world. I must admit Minecraft was the one computer game that I did enjoy playing with my sons as teenagers. Our students were suitably captivated. It is an incredible game.

Just a reminder, due to the House Athletics Day on Monday there will be no Monday afternoon assembly and no ‘Stephanie Alexander ‘Kitchen or Garden classes.

And one last reminder, if you have a child or know of a neighbouring child that has intentions of enrolling at Wattle Park Primary School for next year I would do so immediately. Enjoy the weekend; make it a leisurely one if you can.

Regards Gayle
Student Enrolments and Exits

We are well underway in planning for facilities and staffing for 2017. All planning is based on our student enrolment and exit numbers and we urge parents to complete an enrolment or exit form (see below) as soon as possible. Enrolment forms can be obtained from our website or from the office.

Exit Intentions for 2017

I wish to advise that my child/children as listed below, will not be returning to WPPS in 2017.

Name: __________________________________________________________________
Current Home Group ___________________ Year level: ________________
Name: __________________________________________________________________
Current Home Group: ________________ Year level: _______________
Signed: _________________________________
Date: ___________________________
Reason: We would very much appreciate your comments/feedback to assist with future planning.
Please tick:

- Moving house
- Family moving suburb/interstate/overseas
- Transferring to an independent school. The School is ____________________________
- Transferring to a public school. The School is _______________________________
- School does not adequately cater to the needs of my child/children
- Other __________________________________________________________________

I am happy for a member of the school community to make contact with me: Yes No

PLEASE RETURN TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE ASAP

No Assembly Monday 15th August—due to school athletics

Gone home since last ‘The Wattle’
- Lice letters to affected classes
- Book Fair information
- Compass Parent/Teaching Booking instructions
- Special Canteen Olympic Order Forms
Dear Parents and Carers

We are holding our parent teacher interviews next week. These meetings provide an important opportunity for you to discuss your child’s learning goals and progress with your teacher. 10 minute timeslots will be available on:

**Tuesday 16th August from 3:50 to 7:30pm**  
**Wednesday 17th August from 3:50 to 5pm.**

Please see the instructions following this letter to book your interview online. Please choose **one time slot** for your child’s meeting. If you think you may require a longer meeting time, please contact your teacher directly to make an appointment.

Specialist teachers (LOTE, PE, Performing Arts and Visual Arts) will be available for interviews on Wednesday afternoon only.

Parents of 1S will be offered parent teacher interviews later in the term, when their teacher Kathy Skantzos returns from leave.

If you make a mistake with your booking or need help accessing Compass, or if you do not have access to the internet or require an interpreter for your interview, please phone the office to assist you on 9808 2165.

Kind regards,

Megan Ganter  
Assistant Principal  
Wattle Park Primary School
Booking your Parent Teacher Interviews on Compass

Login to Compass (using your username and password) [https://wattleparkps.vic.jdlf.com.au/](https://wattleparkps.vic.jdlf.com.au/)

2. Click on the Community button 👨‍🏫 and click on Parent/Student/Teacher Conferences

You should then have access to the class that your child is part of.

### Conference Bookings

Please select the event to manage your bookings.

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Click on your child’s name and and the following screen should appear.

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Click the booking time to make/modify a booking. For further assistance, click the blue help icon at the top of the page.

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**Key**
- Green: Available for booking
- Grey: Not available
- Orange: Current booking

### Available Staff

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Instructions are as follows:

### Making/Modifying a booking

1. Click the desired time
2. A list of teachers (for your child), who are available at the requested time will be displayed
3. Select the teacher from the drop down list and click ‘Update’
4. A confirmation message will be displayed at the top of the page

### Cancel a booking

1. Click the relevant time
2. Select ‘No Booking’ from the drop down list and click ‘Update’

If you make a mistake or need help, if you do not have access to the internet or require an interpreter for your interview, please phone the office to assist you on 9808 2165.
Hello everyone

My name is Leanne Wren mum to Alicia in 2G and I'm the new "canteen lady"!

Some of you may already know me and vice versa, but to everyone else that I haven't had the opportunity to meet, I hope to do so across our journey here at Wattle Park Primary School.

I am very much a local - being born and bred in Surrey Hills - and almost part of the furniture at Wattle Park Primary School these days, as well as being an ex-pupil back in the dark ages last century! That makes Alicia a second generation "Wattle Park-er". Obviously you can't keep a good thing down!

I could go on and on, but we don't have all day! So if you'd like to hear more (or not!) and have a spare hour or two any Monday or Friday to help out in the canteen, please do so, as I'd love to meet you and likewise hear your story : )

Here's my contact details:
(M) 0417 375 579
(E) l.f.w@bigpond.com

Leanne
Dear WPPS Families,

The two activities currently being organised for Term 3 include the Fathers and Special Persons Stall on Tuesday 30th August and the Kids Disco on Thursday 1st September.

** Please note the change of date for our Disco and it is now a week earlier than previously advised. Gayle couldn’t possibly miss it, so we changed it!

The theme for the Kid’s Disco is ‘Crazy Hair’ so start thinking about a crazy hairstyle! The disco will be run in the Performing Arts Centre (PAC) building and there will be two sessions as follows:
- Foundation – Grade 2: 4.30pm – 5.15pm
- Grade 3 – Grade 6: 5.30pm to 6.30pm

This is a “Kids-Only” event, and each child can only attend the disco for their year level. Gayle and Megan will be on hand, as well as the parents of the PFA who have volunteered to run this event. Details on how to avoid the queue and pre-purchase a wristband are to follow.

There will also be Wine & Cheese available for purchase for parents/carers (strictly adults-only) on the deck of the Foundation/Year 6 building so a great chance to mingle whilst the kids are dancing. If you would like to assist in either of these events, please contact Caroline on the details below.

It’s not too late to purchase an Entertainment Book! You have the choice of purchasing a book or a digital membership (with an app on your phone so you are able to see what deals are available in the area you are in). Between us, we have easily covered the cost of $65, by redeeming vouchers for bowling, laser tag, movies, restaurants and saving over $170 on theme park entry passes for the family! You have until the end of this term to purchase, and the offers are valid until 1st June 2017!

Behind the scenes the PFA are busy working on a number of ongoing activities including the Mango Fundraiser, Xmas Cards Fundraiser and activities for Term 4 including a School Fun Run, which is shaping up to be busy!

Keep the following dates in your calendar for Term 4:
- **Fun Run (all class levels):** Thursday 20th October @ Wattle Park
- **Ladies Oaks Day:** Thursday 3rd November
- **WPPS Twilight Fete:** Saturday 26th November

The next PFA Meeting will be held on Thursday 6th October and we’d love to see some new faces especially from Foundation, Year 1 and Year 2 year levels! Email vanwest@optusnet.com.au or txt/call 0412-182-226 for location details.

Cheers,
T & C
Tash Sinclair

Caroline Van West

HELP NEEDED!
Are you a budding photographer and have access to a whizz-bang camera? Can you and a friend spare a few hours to photograph the artwork of the children for our Xmas Card Fundraiser? Please contact Tash on the details below, and we would love
WPPS Crazy Hair Kids Disco
Thursday September 1, 2016

Session 1 - Foundation to Grade 2 only
4:30pm - 5:15pm

Session 2 - Grade 3 - Grade 6 only
5:30pm - 6:30pm

Location - Wattle Park PS
Performing Arts Centre

Cost - $7 per child
(includes a glowie, packet of chips and bottle of water)

DJ - Dallas Rayner

Contacts: Kerryn Stirling - 0412 729 721 & Aggie Sutherland 0421 160 014

PRE-PURCHASE TICKETS

Name: ________________
Class: ________________
Number of tickets: ________________

Payment to be placed in an envelope marked “Kids Disco” and handed to the school office by Friday August 26
FOUNDATION 2016 ENROLMENTS

It is that time of year when schools are preparing for the following year and student numbers are critical to the school’s staffing structure.

Could you please complete the required Student Admission Enrolment Form if you intend enrolling your child at Wattle Park Primary School in 2016. This form is available from the office or on the school’s website. It can be forwarded by mail if requested.

If you are aware of any families who may live near you and have not enrolled, please encourage them to put in their enrolment forms as soon as possible.
Junior School Order Form

FAREWELL... TO RIO OLYMPICS 2016
FRIDAY 19th AUGUST
SPECIAL LUNCH ORDER DAY

AMERICA
- Hot Dog (Mini)
- Mini Frankfurts (Bag of 3) (GF)
- BBQ sauce
- Tomato sauce (GF)
- American Mustard
- Plain Popcorn (GF)
- Watermelon Mineral Water
- LickStick

JAPAN
- 1 x Sushi Roll
- Tomato Teriyaki
- Tuna
- Avocado (GF)
- Cucumber (GF)
- Vege Chips (Money Soy)
- Fruit Juice
- Apple
- Orange
- LickStick

CHINA
- 2 x Mini Spring Rolls (V)
- 1 x Bag of Dim Sims (Bag of 3)
- BBQ Jumpsy
- Flavoured Milk
- Strawberry
- Honeycomb
- Chocolate
- LickStick

ITALY
- 1 x Piece of Pizza
- Hawaiian
- Pepperoni
- Margherita (V)
- Bread Sticks (Grissini)
- Bottle of Raspberry Water
- LickStick

AUSTRALIA
- 2 x Party Pies
- Tomato sauce (GF)
- Chicken Jumpsy
- Mango Mineral Water
- LickStick

ORDER
INFORMATION:

NAME: ____________________________

CLASS: _____________

Please tick Lunch Option menu
(if applicable additional choice options)

$5.00

Junior School (F-2) smaller portion size

RSVP this slip and correct money in a labelled “Olympic Lunch” envelope

By Wednesday 17th August

If you have any queries or can help on the day – please contact Leanne Wren (Alicia 2G) Mobile: 0417 375 579 or Email: lfw@bigpond.com

Senior School Order Form

FAREWELL... TO RIO OLYMPICS 2016
FRIDAY 19th AUGUST
SPECIAL LUNCH ORDER DAY

AMERICA
- Hot Dog (Large)
- 2 x Mini Frankfurts (Bag of 3) (GF)
- BBQ sauce
- Tomato sauce (GF)
- American Mustard
- Plain Popcorn (GF)
- Watermelon Mineral Water
- LickStick

JAPAN
- 2 x Sushi Rolls
- Tomato Teriyaki
- Tuna
- Avocado (GF)
- Cucumber (GF)
- Vege Chips (Honey Soy)
- Fruit Juice
- Apple
- Orange
- LickStick

CHINA
- 3 x Mini Spring Rolls (V)
- 1 x Bag of Dim Sims (Bag of 6)
- BBQ Jumpsy
- Flavoured Milk
- Strawberry
- Honeycomb
- Chocolate
- LickStick

ITALY
- 2 x Pizza
- Hawaiian
- Pepperoni
- Margherita (V)
- Bread Sticks (Grissini)
- Bottle of Raspberry Water
- LickStick

AUSTRALIA
- 3 x Party Pies
- Tomato sauce (GF)
- Chicken Jumpsy
- Mango Mineral Water
- LickStick

ORDER
INFORMATION:

NAME: ____________________________

CLASS: _____________

Please tick Lunch Option menu
(if applicable additional choice options)

$7.00

Senior School (3-6) larger portion size

RSVP this slip and correct money in a labelled “Olympic Lunch” envelope

By Wednesday 17th August

If you have any queries or can help on the day – please contact Leanne Wren (Alicia 2G) Mobile: 0417 375 579 or Email: lfw@bigpond.com
JOIN US AT ST BENEDICT’S NETBALL CLUB

Calling all Grade 3s!

The St Benedict’s Netball Club is looking for its next team of netballers. This team will join the (Waverley District Netball Association) Saturday morning competition in March 2017. Games are played at the same time (9am) and the same place (Ashwood Netball Courts) every week, over a winter season and a spring season.

This team sport gives our girls so much fun and friendship—we would love you to become a part of our club!

Ideally, training will commence one afternoon after school in term 4 to prepare for joining the competition next year. Please contact the club via email with any queries or to register your interest—mailto:stbenedicts.netballclub@gmail.com
September 2016 School Holiday Camps

Join Brett Rainbow
Melbourne's most specialised basketball trainer at these premier basketball camps

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IMPROVE YOUR: ★ SHOOTING ★ TEAMWORK ★ REBOUNDING ★ DEFENCE ★ DRIBBLING ★ PASSING

Camp #1 Richmond

- **When:** Monday 19th & Tuesday 20th September 2016
- **Where:** Melbourne Girls College – Yarra Blvd, Richmond
- **Age:** 6yrs – 16yrs
- **Time:** 9am – 3pm daily
- **Cost:** $165 Full cost, $155 Early bird special, $155 Sliding discount
- **Capacity:** Maximum 110 players

FREE:
- 1x NBA-style camp t-shirt
- 1x Basketball camp backpack

FREE NBA Style camp t-shirt & camp backpack for every camp participant.

Camp #2 Richmond

- **Advanced Camp**
- **When:** Wednesday 21st September 2016
- **Where:** Melbourne Girls College – Yarra Blvd, Richmond
- **Age:** 10yrs – 18yrs
- **Time:** 9am – 4pm (1 day only)
- **Cost:** $165 per person
- **Capacity:** Maximum 50 players

This camp is for children already playing basketball at advanced level, such as RPG and Diamond leagues.

FREE:
- 1x NBA-style camp t-shirt, 1x Basketball camp backpack

Early Bird Specials Available
Closing at midnight on 24th August for all camps.

BOOKINGS: WWW.TSBASKETBALL.COM

Camp #3 Box Hill

- **When:** Monday 26th & Tuesday 27th September 2016
- **Where:** Aquadale – Surrey Drive, Box Hill
- **Age:** 6yrs – 10yrs
- **Time:** 9am – 3pm daily
- **Cost:** $165 Full cost, $155 Early bird special, $155 Sliding discount
- **Capacity:** Maximum 100 players

FREE:
- 1x NBA-style camp t-shirt, 1x Basketball camp backpack

Play Rainbow for the chance to win!
1 child will be selected per camp to play a game of 1-on-1 against Brett Rainbow for the chance to win a PlayStation 4 console, valued at $500.

Bookings close midnight on 16th September for all camps.
Swimming Lessons
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Camp Australia - Wattle Park Primary School OSHC

The Camp Australia Foundation's Smith Family Appeal

The Camp Australia Foundation aims to positively impact the primary education experience of 1 Million children by 2025.

This term you can help The Camp Australia Foundation reach this goal by participating in our "Guess how many things are in the jar!" contest to raise money for The Smith Family's Back 2 School program, which supports children from disadvantaged families become full engaged in school, and get the education they deserve.

For a gold coin donation, you can guess how many things Lizzie and Jane have managed to fit into jars. The first two people with correct answers, or the two people who get closest to the correct number, will win a voucher from our local Cartridge World in Ashburton.

For more information on how you can help, pop into the OSHC room before school between 7:30am and 9am, or after school between 3:00pm and 6pm.

With your help, Wattle Park can make an amazing difference to the lives of children.

Lizzie Spencer
OSHCH Coordinator.

The Smith Family
everyone's family
Whitehorse Thermomix Open Day

A FREE Event Showcasing

Bread making, Steaming/Varoma, Allergy Friendly, Recipe Conversion

Kids snacks and more. Come and play with a TM5!!

Saturday August 20th

9am – 12pm

Surrey Hills Neighbourhood House

157 Union Rd

Surrey Hills, 3127

Bookings essential

www.trybooking.com/MJHW

Kate Richardson

M: 0410 537 915

e: katerichardson72@gmail.com

Bring your friends, bring your family and join us for some fun!

Lucky door prize – cookbooks & accessories will be available for purchase cash only
ATTENTION GIRLS IN GRADES 3, 4 & 5

Net Set GO! is Netball Australia’s Junior Netball Program. The program enables children to develop a positive introduction to Netball, ensuring enjoyment and continued participation within the sport.

Surrey Park Netball Club is conducting a Net Set Go! program for girls in grades 3, 4 & 5 beginning September 10th, 9am – 10am @ Canterbury Rd courts, Box Hill (near Aqualink Box Hill). This program aims to develop their skills and learn to play netball in a fun environment! The aim of the program is to form a team with Surrey Park Netball Club and enter the modified netball competition on a Saturday morning at the WDNA courts in Ashwood.

If you wish to join us, and would like more information regarding SPNC Net Set Go please contact Natasha Loverso on 0411 030 145 or by email surreyparknc@gmail.com