We are leaders.

**PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE**

**Farewell**
It is with mixed feelings that I write what will be my last newsletter at Woongoolba State School. I have thoroughly enjoyed my time here and have had a wonderful year working with a great staff and community and a fantastic cohort of students. Next year David Cramb will return as Principal. I wish you all the best for the future; I hope that our paths cross again one day. Thank you for having me this year and making me feel so welcome, I will miss you all.

**Staffing 2014**
As previously mentioned Mrs Halliday will be leaving us this year. Mrs O’Connor has extended her leave for the whole 2014 school year so won’t be joining you in the New Year. Mrs Waring has also extended her leave for the start of the 2014 year but is due to return during term 1. I would also like to thank Mrs Wode who has filled several contract positions for us this year, I am sure she will continue to be a regular face here in 2014. Farewell also to our strings teacher Miss Hansen. We welcome Mrs South who is joining us from Norfolk Village State School and Mrs Mann who will be working 1 day per week on class next year. We also welcome back Miss Brown-Meir who is returning from leave.

**Classes 2014**
Class information will be available to families on the first morning of school next year. Class lists will be placed in the undercover area.

Wishing you all a happy and safe holiday. If you are travelling do so safely.

*Allison McClean*
*10/12/2013*

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**Forthcoming Events**

**DECEMBER**
- 10 Awards Ceremony
- 10 Choir Performance
- 10 Choir Breakup Party
- 10 Reports Issued
- 11 Swimming Carnival
- 12 Break up day (Togs)
- 12 Year 7 Dinner
- 13 Uniform Shop closed
- 13 Last Day 2013

**JANUARY**
- 22 Uniform Shop 9-11
- 28 School resumes
AWARD WINNERS ANNOUNCED
Congratulations to the following students who were awarded class and school awards at this morning’s ceremony:

**PREP**
Great Learner Award
Lee K
Great Classmate Award
Jett C

**YEAR 1**
Great Learner Award
Ava P
Great Classmate Award
Ruth M

**YEAR 2**
Great Learner Award
Tayla D
Great Classmate Award
Sheridan G

**YEAR 3**
Great Learner Award
Ashlee T
Great Classmate Award
Zac M

**YEAR 4**
Literacy Academic Award
Daimon S
Numeracy Academic Award
Blake B
Science Academic Award
Blake B
Citizenship Award
Benjamin M

**YEAR 5**
Literacy Academic Award
Declan D
Numeracy Academic Award
Bailey J
Science Academic Award
Bailey J
Citizenship Award
Jordyn T

**YEAR 6**
Literacy Academic Award
Chloe R
Numeracy Academic Award
Chloe R
Science Academic Award
Chloe R
Citizenship Award
Courtney A

**YEAR 7**
Literacy Academic Award
Riley G
Numeracy Academic Award
Lionel B
Science Academic Award
Riley G
Citizenship Award
Courtney A

**OTHER AWARDS**
Sportsperson of the Year
Joshua M
Excellence in LOTE
Chloe R
Principal’s Award for Excellence in Leadership
Hannah M
Best Performer in Band
Ruby S
Best Performer in Strings
Chloe R
Best Performer in Choir
Jordyn T

**SPORT**
YEAR 5 Soccer
Best Team Player (B) Connor W
Best Team Player (G) Kirrily B
Most Improved (B) Jackson P
Most Improved (G) Lily H
YEAR 5 Cricket
Best Team Player (B) Ben K
Best Team Player (G) Lily H
Most Improved (B) Bailey J
Most Improved (G) Jordyn T
YEAR 6 Soccer
Best Team Player (B) Joshua M
Best Team Player (G) Chloe R
Most Improved (B) Leslie D
Most Improved (G) Shanna L
YEAR 6 Cricket
Best Team Player (B) Callum H
Best Team Player (G) Dakota C
Most Improved (B) Bailey An
Most Improved (G) Dannii M
YEAR 7 Soccer
Best Team Player (B) Fraser M
Best Team Player (G) Ruby J
Most Improved (B) Terry B
Most Improved (G) Jasmine M
YEAR 7 Cricket
Best Team Player (B) Lionel B
Best Team Player (G) Ruby J
Most Improved (B) John C
Most Improved (G) Courtney A

Dedicated Commitment Award – Mr Michael Crandon
Chloe R

Thank you to our choir and strings students for their performances this morning. Congratulations to all award recipients and nominees.

Farwell Students
Best wishes to our departing Year 7 students. We wish you all the best of luck and happiness in whatever your future holds for you. It has been a pleasure to share part of your life’s journey with you all.
Farewell also to the other students who are leaving us at the end of this year. Some are heading off to Year 7 in secondary school while others are leaving due to relocation of their families. We wish you all the best.

**Report Cards**
Student report cards were issued by classroom teachers today. Please note Mrs Halliday’s Prep reports were not issued as she was absent from school today, they will be issued to her students tomorrow.

**Goal Achievers!**
Congratulations to all students who achieved a learning goal this year. You have all worked extremely hard to achieve the next step in your learning journeys. Keep up the hard work next year and remember to keep reading over the holidays!

**Thank you Thank you Thank you!**
A huge thank you to our P&C and everyone who contributed to our Family Fun Day on Saturday. It was a wonderful day and the students had the best time. A special thank you to Lizzie Ward and her team of merry helpers you are all amazing!!

**SMITH FAMILY DONATIONS**
A HUGE thank you to everyone who donated toys and books for our Smith Family Toy Appeal. We had an excellent collection, enough to fill 6 shopping bags and 2 laundry baskets. This is an amazing effort for our first year. There will be lots of less fortunate but happy children this Christmas! I know the Smith Family will be very appreciative of our donation.
Nicole Aird and the Student Representative Council.

**Music News**
Thank you to all choir members for their dedication throughout the year and for their wonderful performance at the Awards Ceremony today. Thank you also for bringing along party food so that we could celebrate the end of the school year.
Have a great holiday!
Thanks, Mrs Field (Classroom Music)

**P&C Notes**
Don’t forget our last P&C meeting for 2013 will be held in the Leader’s Centre tomorrow night (11/12) at 6.30pm.

Some of our AGENDA ITEMS for next meeting are:

1. Family Fun Day Debrief
2. Planning for 2014

If you want to be involved, please come to the meeting and have an input!

**FUNDRAISING UPDATE**
What a wonderful day was had by all at our Family Fun Day. The children loved the rides and the visit from Santa on the tractor. Huge thanks goes to all of the volunteers whom went above and beyond as usual to make the Day the success it was! Special mention goes to Mr Paul Marriott and Sharon Dudgeon.

**FEED BACK needed please.** We would love to know what you liked and disliked to help us plan for the next Family Fun Day planned for 2015. If you have any feedback be it good or bad, please email Lizzie at wssfundraising@gmail.com
Want to volunteer to help out Fundraising? Please contact Lizzie Ward on 0423 262 065 or wssfundraising@gmail.com

**TUCKSHOP TIDBITS 10/12/2013**

**FRIDAY SPECIAL 13th December.**
Pizza & Quench drink $3.00
Crumbed Sausage & Quench drink $2.50

If you have a morning available to help in the Tuck Shop, please let Rhonda or Karen Weston know. You do NOT have to be there all morning, an hour or so at 9am really takes the load off. Now is also a great time to start thinking about helping out in 2014!
Regards, Rhonda (0419 722 481)

**13SICK (13 74 25) Home Doctor Service**
With school holidays and Christmas fast approaching, it’s comforting to know our doctors are there when GP clinic are closed. We’ll get a doctor to your door so you can start treatment sooner. homedoctor.com.au

**Carols by Candlelight Jacobs Well**
Hosted by Bethlehem Lutheran Church
Sunday 22nd December
Jacobs Well Community Centre Bay Drive, Jacobs Well

Children’s magician 5:30-6:30
Sausage sizzle from 5:30
Carols start 6:30
See Santa and watch fireworks!
Our Focus:
Everybody Reads at Woongoolba!
Readers are Leaders

Our Mission:
We develop leaders- every child, every day.

Our Vision:
Innovate, Participate, Excel.

Our Goal:
To improve student performance in Literacy, Numeracy & Science in a Sustainable & Technological World

Our Motto:
Achievement: Our Goal

Value of the Week:
Our School and Community: We participate and represent

Habit of the Week:
Synergize