PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE
Woongoolba starts new focus on ‘Knowing the Learner’
For some years now, Woongoolba School has been researching and trialling ways to learn more about each child, their learning styles and core needs. We believe that by having a better understanding of each child, how they learn and how they behave, we can try to align learning programs to learners more effectively.

One way we have done these over the years is through the Aus Identities program.

Aus IDentities is a program for self-awareness that has been created using a blend of temperament & personality theories that combine to give us a uniquely Australian, & easy to apply tool for life & for learning. (Aus Identities 2013)

Next year we will continue the use of this program to help teachers better identify the needs of students and more effective differentiate learning for each learner.

On Friday this week, the creator of Aus Identities, Michael White, will visit Woongoolba to talk with me and staff and see our school to see firsthand how his program is being used to assist teachers and students in learning. We are very excited to have Michael visit our school as we continue to work together to provide an effective learning experience for all students.

See more at: http://www.ausidentities.com.au

David Cramb
Principal

NOVEMBER
20 PJ & Pancake Fundraiser
Gold coin Donation
21 Gifted & Talented P-3
24 Gifted & Talented Years 2&3
24 AWL visit C Block
27 Religious Education XMAS concert
28 AWL Free Dress Day Gold Coin Donation

DECEMBER
2 Gifted & Talented Years 4&5
3 Swimming Carnival
3 Mobile Library
5 XMAS Family BBQ
   Night from 5pm
5 Volunteers Morning
   Tea 11 am Library
9 Celebration Awards Ceremony 9am
10 P&C Meeting
   2014 FINAL
   7pm Leaders’ Centre
11 6&7 Farewell
   Evening Dinner
12 Last school day of 2014

JANUARY 2015
23 Uniform Shop open
   9am-12pm
26 Australia Day
27 First day Term 1
**Positive Behaviour for Learning**

This week our rule for the week is: Be a Learner – Have a go and try your best

**WEEK 7**

Well done to the following ‘Students of the Week’ for Week 7

- **Busy Bees**: Sharney C
- **Dragons**: Talisha-Leigh M
- **Spy Kids**: Teyha H
- **Team Splat**: Ebony T
- **Supernovas**: Lachlan W
- **Unstopable Meerkats**: Tatem L

**Weekly Gotcha Winners**

The below students were drawn from the weekly gotcha box and were able to pick their own rewards.

- Cassidy C – Prep
- James Mc – 4/5

**Swimming C BLOCK**

Please find below the timetable for C block swimming. We discourage parents from being present as children tend to respond to the trainers better without parental presence.

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**QSchools App**

The QSchools app is a convenient way to get up-to-the-minute information about Woongoolba State School.

The app is beneficial for parents and carers as you can:

- Access the latest school news, newsletters and calendar events,
- Receive emergency announcements and push notifications and,
- Follow multiple schools.

What to do:.............

1) Download or update the QSchools app.
2) Search for Woongoolba State School
3) ‘Favourite’ Woongoolba State School to receive updates.
4) Allow notifications from this app in ‘settings’.

This app has been provided by Queensland State Schools and can be used on mobiles and tablets. It can be downloaded free from the ‘App Store’.

**Children eating from lunch boxes before school**

Please remind your children to refrain from eating food from their lunchboxes before school.

Children will be asked to return the food to their lunchboxes as we are concerned that they are not leaving enough food for themselves for lunch. They may also be directed to breakfast club on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday if they are hungry and have not had breakfast.

Please ensure your children have a good, nutritious breakfast so they are capable of learning for the first session and not needing to eat prior to the start of lessons.

We thank you for your support.

**Farewell Dinner**

The Grade 6&7 Farewell dinner will be held this year on December 11th at the Beenleigh R.S.L.

Invitations have now been sent for this event. Please be aware of the dress requirements for students. It is not a formal event but smart casual attire is recommended.

**R.S.V.P. to the office by 26/11 please.** Payment must be made by this date.

Payments can be made by cash or cheque ONLY made out to Woongoolba State School P&C at the cash window on Mondays or Wednesdays between 8:30 and 10:30 only. There are NO online or credit card payment accepted.

**Please Note:** Children whom are invited to the graduation are proudly PAID FOR BY THE W.S.S. P&C Association.

**THE SMITH FAMILY TOY & BOOK APPEAL**

Our SRC is again coordinating the collection of toys and books for disadvantaged children this Christmas. Sadly, thousands of Australian kids will go without receiving a gift this holiday season simply because their families cannot afford it. This year, with our help, the Smith Family aim to deliver over 43,500 new toys and 29,000 new books to children in need around Australia.

Last year the Woongoolba community donated an impressive amount of wonderful gifts that surely brought lots of smiles to children’s faces. This year we want to make it even BIGGER!

**Important things to remember:**

* Toys and books must be **new** (not second hand) and for a child aged 0-12 years old. There is a particular shortage of toys for the 9-12 year age group.
* No need to wrap your gift

* Toys should be no bigger than a school backpack
* These toys not accepted: clothes, toiletries, toy weapons, religious items, marketing toys, breakable items, food and items containing liquid, CDs or video games

Thank you for your generosity!

**Toys at School**

While we love when children are playing safely, we must remind parents that toys (stuff toys, cars etc) and trading cards are not allowed at school as these can cause arguments between children who don’t have them. Items like these are best left at home to ensure they are not lost or broken.

**ATTENDANCE**

Please ensure your students attend school every day and are ON TIME. *If you’re fit for school, you are at school!* Last week the rate dropped so let’s keep working hard to be at school!

**ENROLMENT FORMS**

Enrolments are open for all year levels for 2015. If you have family or friends enrolling for next year please encourage them to do so ASAP so that we can start planning our classes. There are still vacancies in all year levels including prep. Spread the word about joining the school of leaders to be part of the teaching of ‘new learning’!

**TUCKSHOP TIDBITS 19/11/2014.**

All ice-teas are being sold at $1.00 each.

Thank you to the loyal few who have been helping throughout the year, the Tuck Shop would NOT survive without you.

Regards, Rhonda (0419 722 481)

**P&C NEWS**

Our next and final meeting for 2014 will be held on Wednesday 10th December. This meeting will be held in the Leaders’ Centre provided there is room enough. Agenda items for this meeting include:

- Final general meeting for 2014.
- Progress report on the P&C shed construction.
- End of year reports from all Committees.
- "Wrap up" on end of year functions: including Remembrance Day, Year 6/7 Farewell, Student Awards Ceremony and Family BBQ night.

Please bring a plate to share and beverages. Remember, if you have anything to suggest or to ask, please come to the meetings and let everyone know your thoughts and opinions.

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**Fundraising News**

**PJ & Pancake Day**

THIS Thursday 20th (tomorrow) with a gold coin donation. Pre-order sheets need to be in the orange box before 9am Thursday!

Christmas is coming and so is our Family BBQ Night on the 5th December. All families are asked to donate a small food or Christmas item for the traditional raffles. Please bring them to the office. Tickets will be on sale soon.

Cheers, Michelle

**Breakfast Club**

Woongoolba State School P&C Association will be continuing its Breakfast Club this term. It will still be held each Monday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings in the Leaders’ Centre from 8:30 – 8:50.

A huge thankyou goes to the following businesses who are donating goods for the Breakfast Club:

- The Well Food Express
- Beenleigh Brumby’s
- Beenleigh Woolworths

**Blue Light Disco**

The Jacobs Well Police Beat are holding a Blue Light Disco at the Jacob’s Well Community Hall on Saturday the 29th November @6pm to 8pm.

Keep an eye out for updates on the facebook page and visit jacobswell.com.ua for further information.

**Instrumental Program 2015**

For those students who have received forms to indicate expression of interest in joining next year’s Instrumental Program, please ensure all forms are returned to the office ASAP.

**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

**Rule of the Week:**

Be a learner – Have a go and try your best.