



Bluey's BULLETIN

WILLIAM DEAN PUBLIC SCHOOL

TERM 1, 2019 :: WEEK 6

DATES TO REMEMBER

20/3 - Harmony Day

1-5/4 - Parent Interviews

2/4 - Mufti Day Easter

3/4 - School Photo Day

10/4 - Easter Hat Parade

11/4 - Anzac Day Service

12/4 - Last Day of Term 2

** Please refer to last page for Full Calendar*



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Thank you to all the parents and caregivers that took the time to attend our Community 'Welcome BBQ'. It was wonderful to see you in such large numbers. I hope you had an opportunity to meet your child/children's teacher. Please remember, if you have any questions or concerns regarding your child/children, do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher to make a time to discuss the matter at the earliest convenient time.

PUPPET THEATRE

We would like to thank Mr Falzon (Antonio D, Amelia D and Cara D's uncle) for his generosity providing the materials and building an amazing puppet theatre for the students to use as part of the playground equipment. We would also like to thank Mr Portelli (Peyton P's dad) for his time and materials to paint the puppet theatre. We would also like to thank Mr Falzon's and Mr Portelli family members who helped with the project. Our students are truly lucky to have such generous parents and extended family members who give time and resources willingly for the benefit of our students.

PRINCIPAL AWARDS

I would like to remind all students to keep all 'Principal's Awards'. Any student who has received three 'Principal Awards' can see me to collect a prize from the prize box.

Congratulations to Ali A for receiving three awards and collecting his prize.

STUDENT LEADERSHIP INDUCTION

On Thursday 21st February we held our leadership induction assembly. At this assembly the school captains and vice captains, house captains, class representatives and library monitors received their badges. We congratulate these students for being elected to these roles. We know that our 2019 leaders will provide great service to their fellow students and the school. We look forward to working with them and watch them perform the duties with pride, respect and great maturity. Thank you to all the family members who attended the assembly. It was a very proud moment for all recipients and their families. We thank Mrs Krause and Mr Daglis for their organisation of the assembly.



ZONE SWIMMING CARNIVAL

On Monday 4th March, eight of our students competed in the Blacktown Zone Swimming Carnival. Congratulations to all our swimmers they did a marvelous job. This year William Dean Public School was one of the carnival's organising schools. Thank you to Mr Dagleis for his excellent organisation, it was a mammoth job. We would also like to thank Ms Garland and Mrs Metcalfe for accompanying the students and assisting with the carnival.

STAFF NEWS

As many of you are aware, Mrs Currey, our School Administration Officer, was successful at gaining another position within the department and started her new role on Monday 25th February. We would like to thank Mrs Currey for her work and dedication to our staff, students and families over the last seven years.

THREE WAY INTERVIEWS

As we have done in previous years, we will be holding three-way interviews to discuss the progress of each student towards the end of Term 1.

Interviews will be held the week beginning 1st April. More information will follow shortly.

SCHOOL CONTRIBUTIONS

Thank you to all the families that have paid the voluntary school contributions for 2019. These funds will assist the school to purchase student resources. The voluntary contributions are \$45 for one child or \$85 for families with more than one child. Payments can be made at the office or through an online payment.

PARKING SIGNAGE AT THE FRONT OF THE SCHOOL

We would like to remind parents and carers that at the front of the school, along Yarramundi Drive, it is a 'NO STANDING' Zone during school days between the hours of 8:00 am and 9:00 am and 2:30 pm and 3:30 pm. Please note that this is a drop off and pick up zone during these times. Any members of the public who park their vehicle for longer than 2 minutes risk receiving a parking fine and loss of points.

ATTENDANCE

This year I would like to continue acknowledging students who have excellent attendance. The students with excellent attendance will receive a certificate at the end of each term and morning tea at the end of each semester.

Once again, we would like to remind parents and caregivers that it is crucial that students attend school every day unless they are sick or there is an unavoidable

circumstance.

If your child or children are away please let the class teacher know as soon as possible by either writing a note, sending a doctor's certificate, telephoning the school or speaking to the teacher.

It is also very important that the students arrive at school on time. Students should be at school by 8:50am ready to start by 9:00am; this will avoid missing out on valuable learning time and interruptions to the other students.

All whole day and partial absences are recorded. Attendance records are monitored regularly by the Home School Liaison Officer (HSLO). If the students' attendance is unsatisfactory the HSLO may request further clarification or a meeting with parents or caregivers.

STUDENT DETAILS AND CONTACTS

From time to time there is a change in family contact details and addresses. It is extremely important that you let the school know of any changes regarding family contact phone numbers and addresses (including change to emergency contacts). This ensures that we are able to contact family members if the need arises.

Regards

Maria Dichiera



Our wonderful Puppert Theatre



Ali with his prize for receiving 3 principals awards

WDPS Competitive Swimming Trials

On Tuesday 12th February, our competitive swimmers were in action at Charles Lowles Leisure Centre. Students competed in a range of races and their enthusiasm and support for their fellow peers was a joy to see. A big thank you to all competitors, parents and teachers for an enjoyable day.



Blacktown PSSA Zone Swimming Carnival

On Monday the 4th of March, 8 students represented our school at the zone swimming carnival. All of the students represented our school with pride and competed in their events with enthusiasm. Mr Daglis, Ms Garland and Mrs Metcalfe would like to thank all students and their parents for making this a wonderful day. Davran will continue to represent WDPS at the Sydney West Swimming Carnival next Tuesday. Good luck Davran!



Clean Up Australia Day

With Clean Up Australia Day happening on Sunday, we participated by cleaning up our school on Friday, 1st March. Each class was allocated an area of the school to clean up rubbish. The good news is that William Dean was already very clean, so well done to our students and community for taking such good care of our school.

A special thanks to 5/6B students who delivered equipment to classrooms, collected rubbish bags and disposed of them in the big bin.

It was great to see all of the classes out there, taking pride in their school and thinking about the importance of keeping our beautiful country clean.



Library News

2019 PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE

Information regarding the Premier's Reading Challenge will go home this week. If your child is interested in completing the challenge please fill in the note and return it to school to receive your child's login details. The reading challenge is open to all students K to 6.

BOOK CLUB ISSUE 2

Book Club Issue 2 will go home this week. Please make sure to have all orders completed by Tuesday 19th March.

PLASTIC BAGS

If you have any unused plastic bags or cloth bags at home the library is happy to take them. We frequently run out and use them for book club orders, loans and book fair purchases.

If you have any queries regarding library, please do not hesitate to see Ms. Porter.

Bluey of the Month



Each month students have the opportunity to be named "Bluey of the Month"

This award is now allocated on a class basis and not a stage basis which enables more children the opportunity to earn the award. Each class will receive 3 awards throughout the year. To be a candidate for the award students must display the following attributes:- be hard working, dedicated, helpful, polite, encouraging, kind, thoughtful, confident, enthusiastic and participate in activities.

Congratulations to the following Bluey of the Month Winners.

1J	Zahli P
23I	Taylen A
34R	Casey B
56M	Tamara N
KT	Chloe B



Safe Respectful Learner Awards

Congratulations to the following students who have received Safe Respectful Learner Awards.

Term 1, Week 4

Cooper C	KG
Louis Z	KT
Benjamin B	K1/R
Madison G	1J
-	1R
Hadi N	2N
Samy S	2/3I

Antoine B	3/4D
Rihanna N	3/4K
Ansh B	3/4R
Chloe F	5/6B
Zachary G	5/6K
Alina Y	5/6M

Term 1, Week 5

Yu Xi W	KG
Cara D	KT
Christabelle E	K1/R
Ali A	1J
Manaia S	1R
Emilija T	2N
Aaliyah A	2/3I

Ashlee K	3/4D
Leah K	3/4K
Ravneet K	3/4R
Davran Z	5/6B
Siya P	5/6K
Hadia R	5/6M

Term 1, Week 6

Ayva I	KG
Lexi R	KT
Baheer D	K1/R
Tyson C	1J
Khloe M	1R
Isaak B	2N
Dexter D	2/3I

Aidan W	3/4D
Japjot S	3/4K
Daniel B	3/4R
Shenay I	5/6B
Sarah B	5/6K
Lucas M	5/6M



Calendar

Term 1	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1	28 th January Public Holiday	29 th January Pupil Free Day	30 th January Term 1 Commences	31 st January	1 st February
2	4 th February	5 th February	6 th February	7 th February	8 th February
3	11 th February	12 th February WDPS Swimming Trials Emerton Pool	13 th February 9-11am Community Group	14 th February	15 th February
4	18 th February	19 th February	20 th February 9-11am Community Group 5.30pm - Community Welcome BBQ	21 st February SRC Induction Assembly	22 nd February
5	25 th February	26 th February	27 th February 9-11am Community Group	28 th February	1 st March
6	4 th March Zone Swimming Carnival Blacktown Pool	5 th March	6 th March 9-11am Community Group	7 th March	8 th March
7	11 th March	12 th March	13 th March 9-11am Community Group	14 th March	15 th March
8	18 th March	19 th March	20 th March 9-11am Community Group	21 st March Harmony Day	22 nd March
9	25 th March	26 th March	27 th March 9-11am Community Group	28 th March	29 th March
10	1 st April Parent Teacher Interviews	2 nd April Parent Teacher Interviews	3 rd April 9-11am Community Group Parent Teacher Interviews School Photos	4 th April Parent Teacher Interviews	5 th April Parent Teacher Interviews
11	8 th April	9 th April	10 th April 9-11am Community Group Community Breakfast Easter Hat Parade	11 th April 9.15am Playgroup ANZAC Service	12 th April Last Day for term 1

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Plumpton High School 2019 INFORMATION EVENING



Tuesday
MARCH
12TH
2019

Location: Plumpton High School GWS
Performing Arts Centre

4:30pm
School Tour

5:30pm
Information Evening
Presentation

6:00pm
School Tour

Please Note: You have the option of
attending either the pre or post tour.

OPEN TO: All prospective
YEAR 3, 4, 5 & 6
students and their families



Plumpton High School's Information Evening will inform interested students and their parents of the educational programs and facilities at Plumpton High School. It will support a smooth and harmonious transition to high school.



The evening includes information about our:
Outstanding HSC results & success strategies, Gifted & Talented Programs, Wellbeing and Positive Psychology structure, unique Student Leadership program, community partnerships and significant business partnerships and award winning cultural programs.

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