**Important Dates to Remember…**
- Meet and Greet night @ WBSS 6-6.30pm
- Pancake Day is 13th February
- Sweethearts Day – 14th February (Student Council Activity)
- 19/02 – 21/02/18 - Leaders Camp

**Douglas Netball Association**
Will start Netball sessions at Wonga Bch School from Week 3, 7th of February 2018 at 3.10pm – meeting at the undercover area. This will run for 4 weeks with Kirsty Mackay if your student is interested in joining.

**Wonga Beach State School**
Acknowledges the Traditional Custodians, the Kuku Yalanji, of the country in which this school is located and pays respect to their Elders past and present.

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**NEWSLETTER**
Week 2 Term 1 Thursday 1st February 2018

**Next P & C meeting:** Monday 12th Feb @ 5.30pm

**REMEMBER:** The Bus Zone directly at the front of the school should not be accessed by parents under any circumstances as it creates a safety issue. Also the disabled carpark is for those who have the correct permit visible on their windscreens only. The police will be randomly monitoring this from now on.

Thank you to all of our families for such a positive, great start to the year! We have so much planned and happening at Wonga Beach School already this term.

The P&C AGM will be held on March 19th 2018 in our Resource Centre. Membership forms are available at the office if you would like to join in 😊

The Catholic Church are offering to hold a Catholic Religion Class at our school if anyone is interested. Please let Mel at the office know in writing if you would like your child to attend. Currently we have a mixed denomination class with Mrs Shirley Vico.

**WEEKLY TIMETABLE:**
- Monday: Parade
- Tuesday: HPE
- Wednesday: Birdwatching, Religion, Long Lunch, Instrumental Music
- Thursday: LOTE, Newsletter
- Friday: Music, Tuckshop, Long Lunch
PE Update

A huge shout out to everyone who got involved in our first bike riding session for PE. It was great to see lots of parents out on their bikes or out walking!

Our guests from Cycling Australia didn’t make it to our school this week, however we had a head start to the program with some basic drills and games on our bikes. Cycling Australia will start their program from next week and it will continue through to week 8.

Just a quick message regarding bikes - everyone was given a label for their bike this week to help us identify who’s bike belongs to who. We have asked students to keep these labels on their bikes or somewhere safe for each lesson. Students were also encouraged to write their names inside their helmets and CLIP the helmet to their bag.

Port Douglas Bike Hire has kindly donated 12 helmets for us to loan during the program, which means we won’t need to share helmets. We will be working out on the tennis courts and outdoor areas so shoes are HIGHLY recommended on PE days, along with bringing a water bottle.

Thanks for your support. We look forward to sharing more with you!

Mrs Arthurson

Just a reminder the student council will be selling icy poles on Mondays and Wednesdays for 50 cents each at 2nd lunch in the undercover area.

Also, the student council will be doing a ‘Sweethearts Day’ event on February the 14th, please bring a gold coin donation and some change for a raffle prize. The raffle tickets will be sold from this Monday through to the 14th of Feb. Please wear either red or pink on the day!
WBSS families are invited to our

Meet and Greet Night

Wednesday 7th February 2018
@ Wonga Beach State School

Classrooms will be open from 6 to 6.30 pm
as an opportunity for your children
to show you around their classroom
and to meet their teachers.

Our P and C will be hosting a
FREE Sausage Sizzle from 6:30 pm.
Drinks will also be on sale.

We would love for our families to
join us for an informal catch up.
Miss Linda is doing Bendigo school banking again this year. If your child already has an account they can hand their bank pocket to Miss Linda with the money in any day, or leave it on her desk. If you would like your child to join school banking you can ask Miss Linda for a form to fill out at home or you can go to the Bendigo bank to join your child/children up. You will need a copy of your driver’s licence and your child’s birth certificate. It’s a great way to start your kids saving for the future! **Happy banking guys**

**Wonga Kids Playgroup**
Ages 0-5 years. Informal Playgroup meeting weekly with a regular routine, safe outdoor play area and a range of organised activities for babies and toddlers. Everyone Welcome
Drop in for a cuppa and a chat. Bring a piece of fruit and a water bottle for the children.

**Free morning tea provided.**
Starting on Tuesday 30th of January

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**2018 BOOK CLUB**

Our very first Book Club catalogue was sent home yesterday. Should you wish to purchase any of these resources, you will help our school raise valuable funds which can then be turned into more new books and learning resources for our Library. (Our school receives 20% commission from any sales). Some great bargains can be found in this issue – posters for $1 and great books for as little as $2!

Please return any orders to the office by **NEXT THURSDAY 8th February 9am**.

We highly recommend using the safe, online LOOP ordering process. Just download the LOOP App or you can access it on your Computer and create your own log on / password. Then search for our school **Wonga Beach State School P & C**. Set up your profile where you can list all or just 1 of your children – select class from drop down list =>

Even if you order and pay via LOOP please print off a copy of your order and return this to school. **REMEMBER all orders (Paper or Online) are due back by NEXT THURSDAY 8th February 9am.**
SAVE THE DATE

Tuesday February 13th 2018

Orders forms coming home next week.

PANCAKES WILL BE READY TO COLLECT FROM TUCKSHOP FROM 8.15AM.
If you are able to assist on Tuesday morning cleaning please let Mrs Arthurson know.

Donations & Helpers

If you would like to make any donations towards our pancake morning we are sourcing the following ingredients

- SR Flour
- Maple syrup
- Eggs
- honey
- Long life milk
- Fresh cream
- Butter
- Bananas
- sugar
- Blueberries

If you are able to assist on Tuesday morning with cooking, serving or cleaning up please let Mrs Arthurson know. We will commence cooking at around 7.45am
WANTED in Year 1/2

Please send along any of the following 'recycled' items for this term’s Art unit and Science unit.

* Yogurt containers (large or small)
* Softdrink cans
* Plastic softdrink bottles (large or small)
* Plastic water bottles (large or small)
* Fruit mesh bags / net bags
* Milk bottle lids / similar lids
* Old forks / spoons (metal or plastic)
* Alfoil / Glad Wrap tubes

Please drop any items into the Year 1/2 Classroom as soon as possible.

😊 Please rinse container / lids before sending in 🙄
No GLASS or sharp items thanks.
News from the library 2018

Welcome to the library for 2018. It’s great to see the children enjoying the new books that are on the shelves from the 2018 Scholastic book fair and from Camara doing Scholastic Book Club.

My name is Miss Linda and I am writing to let new parents know how things work in the library. The borrowing days for classes are: Mondays – 3/4/5 and 5/6 (books are due back on Friday please) and then Prep/1 and ½ borrowing days are Friday (books due back on Thursday please). Please help your child to remember to bring in their book as they can get quite upset if they can’t borrow. They can put them in the library box early or the bigger kids can just leave them in their desk to read at school.

If your child forgets their book they will automatically get an overdue note sent home. This has all the information on it about the book (including the price) but does not mean you have to pay for it. It is just a reminder to send the book back in and it will look like the one below.

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If your child continues to forget to bring their book back to school, then a letter will be sent home in an envelope addressed to the parent. This will ask you to help them to look for the book or if it cannot be found, to pay for it. Please know that I would much rather have the book than the money. You will also receive a letter to pay if the book is damaged beyond repair. Your child will not be able to borrow again until their other book is sorted out.

If the pages get ripped at all, please don’t repair them yourself. Just send a note in with the book explaining. I have special tape that I use to do repairs.

Please also make sure the books are kept away from drink bottles and damp lunch boxes in their school bag as books don’t like water. It makes them go mouldy and they have to be thrown out and paid for. We are teaching the children to look after their books because the book is their responsibility. Please help them by not letting them drink, eat or have pencils in their hands and ensuring that they are gentle when they are reading the book and especially keeping the books away from younger siblings and pets. We have already had 2 books damaged due to smaller siblings, one damaged by water and one drawn in. Happy reading kids.

Thank you Miss Linda