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# NEWSLETTER



Week 11 Term 2 Thurs 23rd June 2016

**P & C meeting: Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2016 4.30 pm**

**Reminder: Our newsletters are going digital next term. They will be available on the school website, via email (make sure Mel has you on our email list) and via school app. If you would prefer a paper copy, please advise Mel in the office at any time.**

**Attendance is one of our priority areas in our school improvement agenda-93% Prep-92%, 1/2/3 – 93.28%, 2/3/4 – 96.14%, 3/4/5 – 93.75%, 5/6 – 94.62%**  
Congratulations to the 2/3/4 class for the highest attendance percentage for the entire term.

**Congratulations** to the 4 classes who are achieving our 93% or above target for the year.

Please be aware that we will exempt absence if there is a medical certificate for 2 days or more during an illness as we understand children can be sick for long periods of time.

### *Important Dates to Remember...*

- Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July – first day of Term 3
- Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July School sports day
- Monday 25<sup>th</sup> July – Show Day/Under 9's Day Holiday
- Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> August Multicultural Day
- Market Day 7th August



The 2/3 class with their attendance award!

### **Election Day Bake Sale:**

The cake stall that is being held on election day urgently needs donations of cakes and biscuits by next Friday or the morning of the Election - 2 July  
If you can work on the day please advise Therese or contact the school.

**Report cards went home on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> June.** Please contact the school or class teacher to make an interview this term or early next term to discuss your child's progress.

Old Magazines needed for classrooms-  
Womans Day,  
Womens Weekly  
etc

Life Education Van-All of the classes will participate in the Life Education programs this week. We have an airconditioned van with a qualified instructor teaching the different classes different topics including Tobacco safety to Cybersafety.

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> August is our **Multicultural day**. If anyone would like to present an activity or you have any suggestions, please contract Tracy at the school. We would love to have someone run Indigenous Dance and Indigenous foods as well as any other suggestions.



**Wonga Beach Staff hard at work!**

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.





## Student of the Week



↑ Students of the week: - Shannyn, Michael, Jasper, Nial, Bryson, Byron and Cassidy- Well done ☺  
Our very clever children above have learnt lots of sight words, received reading awards and Oliver received the Zero Rubbish 25 days award - congratulations! ↑

## Helpers wanted!!!



Cakes, biscuits, muffins, slices are needed for our Annual Sports Day Bake Sale. We also need helpers to sell our treats on the day. Watch this space for more details.....

Sports Day training resumes on Monday 11 July – the first day back of Term 3. **Students MUST have**

- Covered footwear e.g. sandals for shot put
- Hats & water bottles
- Students **can not** wear plastic/metal spiked running shoes

## Student Council Market Day Fundraiser

We are seeking donations for our Market Day Stall (August 7<sup>th</sup>).

We are holding a 'Jar Stall' where you get to buy tickets to try and match up to a 'winning jar'. Any ticket that ends in a 0 or a 5 wins!!

It would be wonderful if parents could please send in donations of small items such as:

- \* hair ties \* crayons \* stickers \* bouncy balls
- \* stamps \* marbles \* glitter pens \* marbles\*
- race cars\* rubbers \* little notebooks \* small games \* bags of soft lollies
- \* any other novelty items that kids might enjoy winning!

We are also wanting small, clean jars (about the size of jam jars ) so we can put random items in for the prizes. (Please send in empty and we will fill these with an array of items).

**ATTENTION :** As of Week 1, Term 3, we will no longer be sending home a paper copy of our weekly newsletter. The options available for you to read the newsletter are via the school website [www.wongabchss.eq.edu.au](http://www.wongabchss.eq.edu.au) , via email (see below to add your email address), via the Q School app, or you are welcome to come and get one of the few paper copies available in the office each week. If none of these options are suitable, please see Mel in the office to arrange a copy to be sent home with your student.

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Student Name:

Your Name:

Your email address:

# OUR WONDERFUL WETLAND



A few weeks ago we went hunting for macroinvertebrates (small water creatures without backbones) in our wetland. We had a score sheet and the invertebrates were rated according to their tolerance to water pollution. After we searched for them in the wetland with scoop nets we put them into buckets and took them back to school.

We had to find what creature it was and score it from the chart. We found lots including a male water bug that carries its eggs on its back. We also found a few rated 10 which meant they are very sensitive to water pollution. This tells us our wetland water is very clean and has very little pollution coming into it.

On Monday eight people from the Green Army International Volunteers came and helped weed and clean up the wetlands with the upper school kids, Travis and Danielle. They were from France, Hong Kong, Germany and Belgium and worked all day weeding and mulching.

It's wonderful to see how beautiful and clean the wetlands next to our school are. Check them out!



A water strider, which is pollution tolerant.



Identifying the macroinvertebrates back at