

# Wallaby Whisper



The newsletter for Wallabadah Public School & its community

#### Term 3 Week 3 - 7 August 2020

Welcome to Week 3!

This week our Wallabadah students have celebrated Education Week 2020. Whilst this year has certainly not been the year we were all expecting on January 1, our staff, students and school community have stepped up and collectively made the best out of a 'challenging' situation.

<u>'Learning Together'</u> is this years Education
Week theme and our students have actively
explored what the theme means to them. Our
Senior class decided that Learning Together has
many ways it can be described including;

Takener Together

Commitment Synergise

These three words built the common thread for Learning Together for our 5/6 students and it was fantastic to see their views on collaboration, synergising and commitment to both remote learning and school-based learning.

Genes for Jeans Day - Thank you to families who made a kind donation to our Genes for Jeans day campaign. Established in 1994 by Children's Medical Research Institute to fund revolutionary research that helps diagnose, understand, and find cures or treatments for conditions affecting kids, including genetic diseases, cancer, and epilepsy. It was great to see many come to school dressed in denim. It also helped that the weather has been absolutely bitter today to have the extra warmth.

Have a fabulous week Johanna Teague Principal

#### MERIT AWARD SYSTEM

Awards are presented each Friday at assembly to children who have displayed good merit in and out of the classroom. Children retain their awards at home and once they have attained 4 merit awards, they are eligible for a Wallaby award.

 $4 \times Merit$  awards =  $1 \times Wallaby$  award.  $3 \times Wallaby$  awards =  $1 \times Merit$  badge.

The reward system starts afresh at the beginning of each school year and concludes at the end of each school year.

Please be certain your child has a school jumper and/or jacket for school each day. All school clothing items should be marked clearly with their name. If you require any uniforms, please phone the office. Payments can be made over the phone, via EFT or by cash. Thank you.

#### **Bell Times**

9:10am - Crunch and Sip 9:15am - Start of school 11:20am - Morning tea 11:40am - Return to class 1pm - Lunch 1:55pm - Return to class

#### Awards





#### Mrs Teague

Dean Payne—for excellent spelling work this week.

Henry Teague—for great effort in Mathematics.

#### Mrs Saunders

Bodie Walters—for writing very well in journal activities.

Connor Russell—for improvement in Maths activities. Well done!

#### Mrs Cudmore

Mekah Varcoe—for a calm and sensible attitude towards her learning.

Addison Jones—for approaching all tasks with a smile. Thank you.

#### Mrs Roseby

Talia Summers— an excellent "New Zealand" project.

Bodie Walters for clever measuring in Maths.

#### JEANS FOR GENES DAY

The children all enjoyed the opportunity to wear their jeans to school today to support the Children's Medical Research Institute "Jeans for Genes Day". Thank you to all the children and their families for their kind donations.











#### HANDWRITING IN THE K-2 CLASSROOM

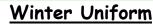
The children in the K-2 classroom have been working extremely hard working towards developing neat handwriting. Great work children!











Winter uniform is to be worn during Term 2 and Term 3. Please make sure your children have the correct uniform. Most items are available through the school Uniform Shop. If not, they are available through Lowes and other department stores in Tamworth.

Girls: White shirt, bottle green stockings, school tie and school pinafore with black shoes.

Boys: Grey pants, grey shirt, school tie, grey socks with black shoes.

Bottle green jumpers are to be worn by both girls and boys.
School jackets are available though the Uniform Shop.

Winter sports uniform for both boys and girls- Bottle green tracksuit pants and bottle green jumper, or a sports jacket, Wallabadah Public School sports shirt and white socks.



Please keep your children home if they are unwell in <u>any</u> way. If students become unwell at all during school hours we will require them to be collected from school.

#### EDUCATION WEEK 3-7 August.

The theme this year for Education Week is "Learning Together". The children in the K-2 classroom created some impressive Aboriginal art using ink stencils.



#### STOP-THINK-DO

#### Rule of the Week:

"Find your voice" - Always remember to speak up when you don't agree with what is happening.

<u>Award</u>: Maddalyn Varcoe—for being a great communicator; confident to speak up.



#### WALLABY AWARD

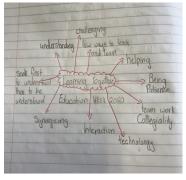
Congratulations to Ella Jones for receiving her Wallaby award. Wel done Ella!



#### YEAR 5/6 CHILDREN

The Year 5/6 children have been busy "learning together" - the theme for this years Education Week. Pictured below are work samples showing our lesson on Aboriginal language and working and learning together.





#### APPRECIATION POST

Thank you very much to our generous community member and scripture teacher, Mrs Dawn Cronin, for taking the time to keep our school looking beautiful. The tulips and violas are stunning!





#### LIBRARY AWARD

This week Mrs Roseby awarded Library Awards to Lexi Sweeney, Isla Walters, Jensen Lavis and Connor Russell.



#### What's On COVID 19 Virus Update:

#### Ongoing/Annual Events:

- School Assemblies: Students only.
- School banking: resuming.
- Scripture (SRE): resuming.
- ASCA: Watch and wait
- Canberra Excursion 3-6: Cancelled

- Quirindi Public School Horse Sportscancelled.
- Blackville Spelling Bee—cancelled.

We will endeavour to update you when necessary.





## Wallabadah Public School 2020

WEEK:	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT/SUN
Week	10 AUGUST	11	12	13	14	15/16
			Plot to Plate			
4					General	
					Assembly	

### Good for Kids good for life

#### EASY SWAPS IN THE LUNCHBOX

Packing healthy snacks in the lunchbox does not have to be time consuming. Swap from some of these common 'sometimes' lunchbox products to easy alternatives that add extra fibre and nutrition to your child's day:





Muffin or muffin bar → pikelets



◆ Tiny teddies → Whole grain fruity bites



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