



# Wallaby Whisper

The newsletter for Wallabadah Public School and its community

"Excellence in Learning"

Term 3 Week 1

27 July 2018

Welcome to term three and our first week back at school!

We started the week with a bang with our staff development day held on Monday. Staff completed our e-emergency care training and once again feel well informed to treat any minor or major health issues here at school. We also spent time working on our school programs. As part of our strategic direction one 'Professional Practice, Learning and Leading', staff have been working hard to develop a whole school mathematics program. Collaboratively we have created scope and sequences, along with weekly and termly overviews that ensure all areas of the mathematics curriculum are covered in detail and differentiated to suit the students. We were fortunate enough to also spend time exploring our new library and discussing our upcoming library opening and book week day. The following day saw students return and we were back into the swing of learning, staff also continued to build their skills after school, with all receiving our new First Aid certificates.

This week we held our celebrations for NAIDOC Week. We all took an excursion to Quirindi and were part of a large audience to watch Kookoo Kookaburra, a stage performance with a focus on storytelling, dance and didgeridoo. The performance was fantastic and the laughter was contagious. The central theme was based around kindness and we all brought a lovely message back to school. 'Kindness is like a boomerang, the more you throw out, the more times you will receive it back.' The children in the Primary classroom enjoyed the analogy so much that they would like to make it a stronger part of our school culture and add it to our Stop, think, do program and our work with the 7 habits.

We then continued our NAIDOC celebrations with a wonderful trip to Walhallow Public School where we were treated to the dances the Walhallow students are performing at the North West Dance Festival as well as three songs in language. We had the opportunity to share our project work on Influential Aboriginal Women and explain how Wallabadah had explored this years NAIDOC theme 'Because of her we can'. I would like to thank Mrs Davis and the Walhallow staff and students for hosting our school and treating us to some wonderful cultural activities.

ASCA is fast approaching. This annual event is a must do on the Wallabadah School Calendar and this year we are thrilled to have 10 people participating. Due to the high numbers this year, we have been able to secure the school as a 'host' and our students will be representing our school and presenting here in the library. If you have a child who has nominated for ASCA, please (if you haven't done so already) start to plan and think about the exam. A second sheet was sent home this week detailing what exam / level each child will participate in. If you have any questions, please feel free to come and ask.

Have a wonderful week everyone!

Johanna Teague

*'No act of kindness, no matter how small is ever wasted.'*



# Wallabadah Library Opening

## & Book Fair



**Where: Wallabadah Public School Library**

**When: Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> August, 2018**

**Time: 10:30am**

Come along and support our school, donate a book to our new look library and celebrate 'Book Week'

On Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> August 2018, all students will be dressing up as their favourite book character to celebrate the opening of our new look library and book week.



Please ensure your child has an ice brick in their lunchbox. With these warmer days we have been having, food can spoil very quickly.



Stop

Think

Do

### **Rule of the Week:**

Please remember to have your new sports shirt for Friday!

**Award:** **Sam Robertson:**

Responding and caring for others in need.



A great time was had watching Kookoo Kookaburra.

A big thank you to Walhallow Public School for having us for the afternoon, with lots of fun had by everyone!



**NAIDOC**  
WEEK



# Spring Ridge Small School Athletics Carnival 2018

**3 August 2018**

Please arrive by 8.45am

## Golland Fields Quirindi

Private transport— please arrange transport for your child

**Gold coin donation on day**

If carnival is postponed due to bad weather, the announcement will be made on fm 92.9.

**We would love to have  
ALL students in our new  
sports shirts for the day,  
available at school for \$10.**



Thank you too Juanita Robertson who will be making lunch orders Monday 30 July 2018.

New Canteen Roster will come home next week.

**Next P&C Meeting 30 July 2018 6pm at  
Wallabadah Public School.**

### **New Sports Shirts and Jackets**

**Shirts: \$10**

**Jackets: \$40**

Thank you to everyone for  
supporting your P&C.



## **K-2 Class**

**Trey Fletcher:** *For a great start at school in Term 3!*

**Braden Hall:** *For improvement in handwriting.*

## **3-6 Class**

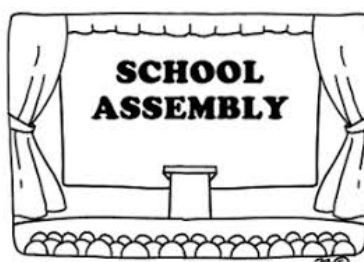
**Joey Reedy:** *For an excellent poster for NAIDOC week.*

**Alanamae Abbott-Blundell:** *For being a kind and helpful leader whilst at Walhallow.*

## **Mrs Roseby:**

**Sophie Tacon:** *For making a big effort with history work.*

**Class  
assemblies  
will return to  
2.45pm on a  
Friday  
afternoon for  
Term 3.**



## **Notes Due Back**

**Spring Ridge Small School Carnival:**

**Due back 1 August 2018**

**Annie excursion:**

**Due back 27 July 2018.**

**Spelling Bee:**

**Due back 27 July 2018**





# Wallaby Calendar Week 1, Term 3

## 2018

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Weekend
<b>2</b>	30 <i>P&amp;C Meeting 6pm</i>	31 <i>Play Group 10-12</i>	1	2	3 <i>Spring Ridge Small Schools Athletics Carnival @ Golland fields Quirindi</i>	4/5
<b>3</b>	6	7	8	9 <i>Zone PSSA Athletics Carnival</i>	10 <i>3-6 Assembly 2:45pm</i>	11/12
<b>4</b>	13 <i>Book Week</i>	14 <i>Play group 10-12 Spelling Bee at Blackville</i>	15 <i>Library Opening and Book Fair 10.30am</i>	16	17 <i>General Assembly 2.45</i>	18/19
<b>5</b>	20 <i>ASCA</i>	21	22	23	24 <i>K-2 Assembly 2.45</i>	25/26



## Free Financial Counselling Information Session

11am – 12pm  
WEDNESDAY 8TH AUGUST 2018  
Quirindi The Beehive, Henry Street

Learn more about how you can help our community members.

The Salvation Army – Moneycare Program empowers and equips people to be the boss of their finances.

