



Above: Portraits and mask-making in the preschool (see more on next page)

Upcoming Events:

Monday 17th - Friday 23rd May
National Volunteer Week

27th May - 3rd June
National Reconciliation Week ★

Wednesday 2nd June
Pupil Free Day

Monday 14th June
Public Holiday - Queen's Birthday

Thursday 1st July
Colour Explosion School Fun Run

Friday 2nd July
Last day of Term 2 ★

2021 Term Dates:

Term 2
27th April - 2nd July

Term 3
19th July - 24th September

Term 4
11th October - 10th December

From the Leadership Team

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

NAPLAN

Our Year 3, 5 and 7 classes commenced NAPLAN testing last week with the Writing and Reading tasks completed last week and the Conventions of Language and Numeracy this week. Congratulations to our students who have adopted a positive attitude towards taking the opportunity to demonstrate what they know and can do. They have been very well supported by their teachers who have prepared them well.

Occupational Therapists

We have been lucky to have fourth year Occupational Therapy university students working with our staff and students until the end of Week 9 of this term. Their aim is to support us by making recommendations around:

- Improving student access, progress, and participation in academic activities
- Reducing barriers that limit student participation within the school environment
- Planning relevant instructional activities for ongoing implementation in the classroom

Healthy Eating

To stay healthy children need to be physically active and should enjoy a wide variety of foods to balance the energy that they use.

At school we teach healthy eating as part of the PE and Health curriculum. Students learn about food and nutrition, as well as the health benefits of physical activity.

Teachers make time for students to take 'Brain Breaks' during the day to make sure they can concentrate on teaching and learning in the classrooms. We encourage students to eat fresh fruits and raw vegetables at school. We would like to ask for your help in supporting your child to bring healthy snacks to school whenever possible.

Robyn McLachlan
Principal



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Lost Property!

It is that time of year where it is freezing in the morning and warms up in the afternoon which means our lost property is overflowing with jumpers and jackets. We ask you again to please label your child's clothes so if they are lost we can return them! If you are missing jumpers or jackets please come to the office and have a look before we give them away.



Our vision: Empowering our community to flourish in their relationships and learning.

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Preschool news



What a busy start to Term 2 we have had in the preschool. We've welcomed a new teacher to the preschool, Ms Laura, and 7 new students to the Monday/Tuesday Kangaroo group. Ms Laura and the children have jumped straight in to preschool life, forming relationships and getting to know the Wandana community.

During Week 2 we had the perfect opportunity to get to know our mums, nans and aunts a little better as they joined us for some special celebrations in honour of Mother's Day. The children prepared for the day by creating some amazing portraits of the special women in their lives, with reasons why they are so special to them, which were displayed on the day and then gifted for Mother's Day. Together with our visitors we made special necklaces and bracelets, painted rocks, made Mother's Day artwork and created lasting memories in front of a special photo booth.

We'd like to thank all of the special visitors that were able to make it on the day we hope you loved your portraits!

We have also been fortunate to have Aunty Judy resume her weekly sessions in the preschool. Aunty Judy will be introducing us to Dreamings of our First Nations People each time she visits this term. Over the last few weeks we have become familiar with the *Clever Crow* by Nina Lawrence. We were so excited to make our own masks and explore our outdoor environment as crows. We can't wait to see what Aunty Judy shares with us next.



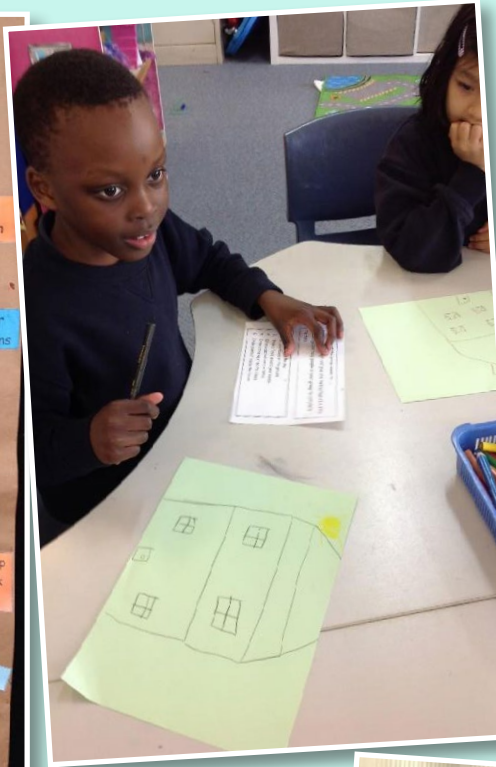
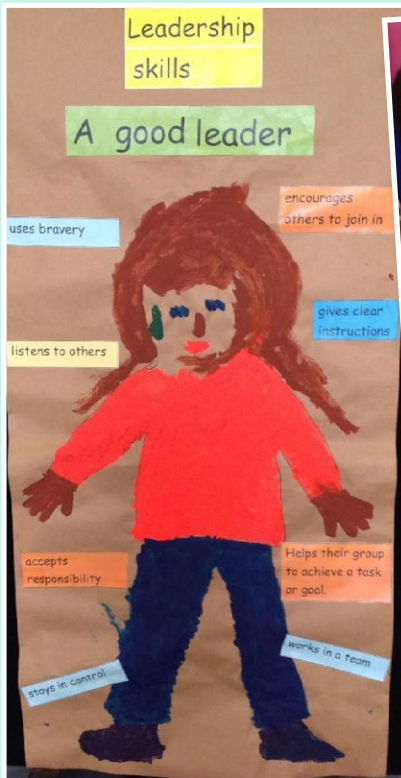
Character Strength of LEADERSHIP

The Reception and Year 1 children in Room 14 have been talking about what skills you need to be a good leader in your class or school. We decided that to develop your leadership skills, you have to draw on your character strength of Bravery.

We used a group task with 3 leaders (Hisham, Axel and Annikee), to practise the skills of Leadership. The leaders needed to read the instructions to their group and support them to achieve the task.

It was great to see the leaders demonstrate good leadership skills when guiding their group. They were patient and waited for those that needed more time. They spoke clearly and encouraged their group. They stayed in control and worked as a team.

We needed to use Bravery when leading the whole school assembly. We asked our School Leaders, Mrs McLachlan, Mrs Cox and Ms Cuc, to tell us about their favourite part of being a leader at Wandana Primary School.



Senior Jumpers

Our Year 6/7s finally have their senior jumpers and just in time for winter! They designed them themselves and we think they look fantastic!



NATIONAL 17-23 MAY 2021
VOLUNTEER
RECOGNISE. RECONNECT.
REIMAGINE. WEEK

National Volunteer Week

A chance to thank our volunteers

National Volunteer Week (NVW) is Australia's largest annual celebration of volunteers. From Monday 17 to Sunday 23 May 2021, the Department for Education will celebrate the significant contribution of over 25,000 volunteers who each year dedicate their time to help our schools, preschools and centres.

The theme for NVW 2021 is **Recognise. Reconnect. Reimagine.** which acknowledges that it is time to:

- **RECOGNISE**, celebrate and thank volunteers for the vital role they play in our lives.
- **RECONNECT** to what is important by giving our time to help others and ourselves.
- **REIMAGINE** how we better support volunteers and communities they help.

Thank you to our Wandana volunteers: Cindy, Rachel, Kayla, Crystal, Helen, Chantee, Fouzia, Denis, Karen and Shahla.

Thank you



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TUESDAYS
Starting 11th May
4pm – 5.30pm



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