



Pictured: Christmas Concert



Upcoming Events

Reminder:

Last day of Term 4
Friday 13 December
Early dismissal
2.00 pm

TERM 4:

Wednesday 11 December

- Student Reports home to families

Thursday 12 December

- Year 7 Graduation

Friday 13 December

- Last day of school for students
- Terrific Kids Assembly
- **2.00 pm dismissal**

TERM 1, 2020:

Tuesday 28 January

- First day of Term 1, 2020



Leadership Report

Premier's Reading Challenge

Wandana students who participated in the 2019 Premier's Reading Challenge were congratulated by Dana Wortley M.P. Member for Torrens. Some students in their foundation year of the challenge received a certificate while most students received medals ranging from bronze to champion. Well done on your super reading everyone.

Awards and End of Year

Terrific Kids Assembly will be on at 1.30 pm next Friday 13 December with Bob from Kiwanii's presenting the awards. These go to two students who show the school values as well as the character strengths. **School will finish at 2.00 pm.**

A big congratulations to Sandra Pedroza who was acknowledged for her volunteering and commitment to Wandana by receiving the Dana Wortley M.P. Volunteering Award. Alex Matheson received the Minister for Education Volunteering Award, for working with small groups on their social skills. Thank you both so much for your time!

Christmas Concert

Tuesday this week was Wandana's fantastic Christmas Concert.

We would firstly like to thank Ms Laura Enthoven for her choreography, creativity, narration, costume designing and organisation of the event. We really appreciate her leading the night to ensure the students were successful on stage. Rooms 14, 15 and 7 presented "Animal Adventures", Rooms 6, 11 and 12 performed "Destination: Samoa" and the students in the Tirkatha Unit performed "Santa's Christmas." Each group did an absolutely amazing job remembering their lines, actions and dances.

A big thank you to teachers who supported Ms Laura during rehearsal time and by also coming to the evening to support their students with costuming and stage orientation. It was great to see most staff joining in on the surprise flash mob - wasn't that hilarious!

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

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Leadership Report - continued

We also would like to thank the Governing Council members Cindy, Sarah, Rachel, Sholy and Mistique's family, for helping create the calendar and sales on the night to help fundraise for the school. We appreciate the continued support. If you are thinking of joining our Governing Council or volunteering for 2020, please pop past the office and have a chat to Cuc or Tegan. We would love to see more families getting involved.

Reports

School reports will be going home with your children next week. This is a great opportunity to speak with your children about their successes from the year. Due to Union action some class reports may differ to other classes. Please refer to note sent home by Margaret O'Connell, Branch Secretary of the AEU at Wandana School. If you have any queries about your child's report please speak with your child's teacher.

Year 7 Graduates

On Thursday the 12th of December we will be celebrating the achievements of our Year 7 students and farewell them as they head to high school in 2020. A special thank you to both Nigel and Anna for their organisation of the evening. We are looking forward to listening to their achievements from their primary schooling.

Classes and Staffing 2020

The leadership team are very pleased to announce that our staff who have been on contract this year will be returning to Wandana in 2020. Nigel Randall will be teaching our Year 6/7 class, Neda Sipovac will be in our Junior Primary Special class for 4 days a week, Corey Taylor in the Year 2/3 class and Stephanie Katsimaglis for Term 1 in an additional Year 2/3 class.

We would also like to congratulate and acknowledge Dianne Floreani, who has been teaching students with English as an Additional Language or Dialect (EALD) and co-ordinator of Wandana's Read, Write Inc. program. She has successfully won a leadership position in 2020 at Plympton International College. She will be in charge of their EALD learners as well as taking on a Year 4 class. We will greatly miss her enthusiasm and passion for teaching. Sara Wilcock who has been working with students in Mrs P's Upper Primary Special class will take on one day in the Junior Special class and the EALD position. We welcome her to our wonderful Wandana family.

As this is the final newsletter for 2019 we would like to thank and acknowledge the professional, dedicated and supportive staff at Wandana. Wishing everyone a safe and happy holiday and we look forward to seeing everyone back next year for a busy and amazing 2020.

Belinda Smith, Principal



Love of Learning

Room 14 children have engaged in many varied learning experiences this term. They love to learn new information, deepen their knowledge and improve their skills. In Maths we have been learning about shape, measurement and place value. In Science we have compared our skull to animal skulls. We have enjoyed practising our ball skills and painting techniques. We encourage each other to persist and improve.



Wishing all families a safe and happy holiday break.
School resumes on
Tuesday 28th January 2020.

