

News from the Vale

Week 5 ~ Term 1 ~ 2025



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Welcome back Woodvale Primary for 2025. It has been a positive start to the school year, with teachers welcoming and getting to know their students, establishing classroom routines and building a strong sense of community. Students are already producing some impressive work samples as well as earning PBiS points for displaying our school values.

Classes (other than pre-primary who will meet with parents to discuss the results of On Entry assessments later this term) held their parent information sessions last week and have shared their hand-outs on Connect for families who were unable to attend. I hope you found the opportunity to meet your child's teacher in-person and hear about classroom routines and expectations valuable.

2025 is the final year of our school's Business Plan. To inform the development of the 2026-2028 Business Plan, our Parent Opinion Survey link was sent out via email and Connect on Tuesday. Thank you to those who have already taken the time to provide valuable feedback about what we are doing well, and what we can do better. The survey closes at midnight on Sunday the 9th of March.

Later this year, our school will be completing our Public School Review, which is an important element of our school-improvement cycle. Our staff are excited for this opportunity to showcase our school's achievements, and to establish aspirational goals and targets for the future.

If you are interested in sharing your ideas and being more involved in our school, I encourage you to volunteer in our P&C. Contact Kym Jacobs, our P&C President, 0421 690 910 woodvaleps.pnc@gmail.com for more information.

I look forward to seeing you at one of our upcoming school events.

Melanie Langley



UPCOMING EVENTS

March

Mon 3rd Labour Day (no school)

Wed 5th New Student Morning Tea

Fri 7th Interschool Cricket

Wed 12th – Mon 17th NAPLAN Assessments
(18th – 24th catch-up assessment window)

Mon 17th 6.30pm Board Meeting

Fri 21st 12.50 Harmony Day family picnic

Tues 25th 7pm P&C Meeting

Fri 28th 8.55am A16 Assembly

April

Wed 2nd Freo Dockers Cup

Fri 4th Book Fair

Wed 9th 8.55am Easter Hat Parade

Thurs 10th Woodvale Secondary College
Band performance

Fri 11th 8.55am A6 Assembly
Last day of term one

Friday fitness (dancing in the undercover area) will be held on 7/3, 21/3, 4/4 as not to interrupt NAPLAN

A Note from the School Health Nurse

Welcome to the new school year. My name is **Stacey Brown** and I am the School Health Nurse who visits your school. My workdays are Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri. Please contact me on Ph: 0404 002 394 Email: stacey.brown@health.wa.gov.au

School Health Nurses work in schools to promote healthy development and wellbeing so students may reach their full potential. A major part of my work is focused on early intervention and the School Entry Health Assessment program. School Health Nurses serve as a health contact point for children and their families, providing information, health assessment, health counselling and referral. They also work in partnership with schools to support teachers in health-related curriculum and can assist in the development of health care plans for students with complex and chronic health needs. School Nurses can be contacted at any time throughout primary school if you have concerns about your Child's health, development or wellbeing. The health services provided are free and confidential.



WELCOME BACK BBQ

It was fantastic to see so many families at our Annual Welcome Back Sausage Sizzle in week two. Thank you to the P&C for providing drinks and ice-creams for sale on the night, and to our teachers for cooking the sausages.



MEET OUR 2025 STUDENT COUNCIL



GRIP LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

On Friday 21st February our Student Councillors and Faction Captains attended the GRIP Student Leadership Conference at the Perth Convention Centre.

GENEROSITY

Willingness to use what you have been given (time and resources) on behalf of those you seek to influence.

RESPONSIBILITY

We all have a responsibility to develop what we have and help others to live well.

INTEGRITY

A commitment to truth and honesty in dealings.

PEOPLE

Every human being is of great significance and has a purpose to fulfill.



I learnt how to create ideas and execute them. I enjoyed the word search at the beginning and the loud noise games.
Rearelan

I learnt to do things in stages and break them down to make it more manageable. Immy

BUSH SCHOOL

Have you heard about Year 1 and 2 Bush School? Bush school focuses on children learning through outdoor exploration in our beautiful school campus (and beyond). Here is a snapshot of what has been happening during Bush School in Area 4.

Area 4 have been learning all about bees, what flowers they enjoy and how they pollinate other flowers. Last week, the class received a package of honey from the beekeepers asking for students to help to find the bees that have mysteriously disappeared. In Bush School, students went in search of flowers that the bees might like to collect their pollen from. In the process, we found rocks that we thought looked a little bit like honeycomb, as well as some rubbish that we made sure to throw in the bin, making sure that we are respecting and looking after Boodja (country).



AREA 12 ASSEMBLY

On Friday, the Year 4 students from Mrs Toner's class kept us all entertained with their theories on what our teachers did on the school holidays! We all know Mr P is a huge fan of the Macarena and that Miss Speelman is a total Swiftie but had no idea about Mrs Toner's surfing prowess!

The gratitude for our teachers (who all go above and beyond for students) showed our school value of Kindness in action! Students spoke clearly and performed confidently - well done. What a great way to start our class assembly items. Our next assembly is on Friday the 28th of March and will be presented by Area 16.



MERIT AWARD WINNERS

28.02.2025

PP1	Maxi	
PP2	Charlotte	Leo
A3	Farin	Frankie
A4	Ella	Frankie
A5	Joni	Silvia
A6	Tanner	Cameron
A7	Nate	Josie
A8	Abigail	Aria
A11	William	Adelyn
A12	Tia	Mitchell
A13	Austin	Chloe
A15	Moni	Harry
A16	Zac	Alexa



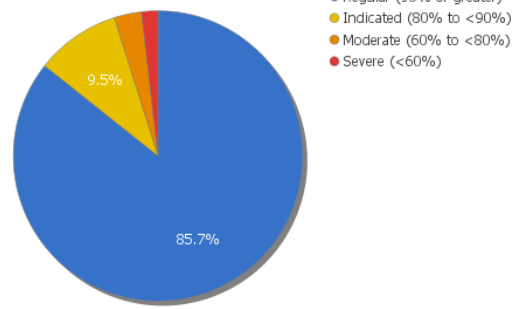
ATTENDANCE UPDATE

Our goal is to ensure that our school attendance rate exceeds the average attendance in the state, and that at least 87.5% of our students attend school regularly (more than 90% of the time). As shown in the pie chart below only 85.7% of children have attended regularly during the first four weeks. We hope that once this round of viruses has ceased, we can see an increase in our regular attendance rate.

Parents can help with this by avoiding holidays during the school term, speaking positively about the school with your children, getting to know your child's teacher, volunteering, and reaching out to your child's teacher if your child is reluctant to attend school. Keeping your child home as soon as they show symptoms of being unwell also assists in reducing the spread of germs and gives them the rest required for recovery.

Congratulations to our Kindy cohort who have the highest attendance rate of 98.2%.

Attendance Profile 2025 Semester 1 Compulsory



Attendance at 28.02.2025

Overall attendance rate	95.4%
Highest attending year group	Kindy
Percentage of regular attendance	85.7%

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Girls Only

Creaney Primary School **Girls Cricket Program**

4-5pm
4 x Wednesdays
Starts 5 March 2025
All girls aged 5-12yrs

Creaney Primary School Oval

REGISTER NOW! FREE

PROUDLY PRESENTED BY Woolworths and SCHOOLS

WOODVALE PRIMARY SCHOOL

VOTING

Coffee van from 8am

SAUSAGE SIZZLE, BACON AND EGG SANDWICHES

BAKED GOODS AND DRINKS

Saturday March 8th from 8am

44 KEATLEY CRES, WOODVALE
your local voting location

Government of Western Australia
Department of Communities

Become a foster carer

Make a difference to a child's life

Foster carers are volunteers who provide a safe, stable and secure environment to children who are unable to live with their birth families.

Whether you're thinking about stepping into the role of foster carer or you're simply interested in learning more, this session will cover:

- The types of foster caring opportunities available, including temporary, short break and long term care
- The application process to become a foster carer.

Information session

Tuesday 25 March 6-8 pm
Department of Communities
380 Joondalup Drive, Joondalup

To register your interest in attending visit:
<https://foster-caring-info.eventbrite.com>
or scan the QR code

To learn more about foster caring or to complete an online enquiry form visit www.fostercare.wa.gov.au or call 1800 182 178.

WePLAYSPORT BASKETBALL

STARTING IN TERM 1, 2025
FIRST SESSION: FRIDAY 21ST FEBRUARY 2025
WOODVALE PRIMARY SCHOOL
8:00AM - 8:45AM
FULL TERM - \$135

WePlaySport are excited to announce that during **Term 1** we will be providing Basketball coaching sessions on Woodvale Primary School. The sessions will be provided every Friday.

PLEASE SCAN TO REGISTER

- ✓ Suitable for all ages & abilities
- ✓ A great introduction to Basketball
- ✓ Fun, engaging & enjoyable
- ✓ Develop communication & team building skills whilst having fun.

FOR MORE INFO PLEASE VISIT OR CONTACT US
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KARATE

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Young Samurai (9-14 years)
Seniors/Adults (14 years +)

Locations
Mullaloo, Craigie, Currambine, Woodvale
www.zenshin-karate.com.au

WePLAYSPORT SOCCER

STARTING IN TERM 1, 2025
FIRST SESSION: FRIDAY 21ST FEBRUARY 2025
WOODVALE PRIMARY SCHOOL
2:55PM - 3:40PM
FULL TERM - \$135

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	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week 1	February 3 School Development Day	February 4 School Development Day	5 Students begin K1 Maali Begin	6	7 K2 Yonga Students begin
Week 2	10	11 Y4-6 Faction Captain voting	12 5-6pm Welcome Back BBQ	13	14 8.55am Student Council Assembly
Week 3	17	18 7pm P&C AGM	19	20	21 FRIDAY FITNESS Student leaders @ GRIP Conference
Parent classroom information sessions this week					
Week 4	24	25	26	27	28 8:55 A12 Y4 Assembly <i>Board nominations due</i>
Week 5	March 3 Labour Day	4	5	6	7 FRIDAY FITNESS Y5-6 Interschool cricket
Week 6	10	11	Yr 3 & 5 NAPLAN Testing		
Week 7	17 6.30pm Board Meeting	18	Yr 3 & 5 NAPLAN Testing window		
Week 8	24 NAPLAN: catch up	25 7pm P&C Meeting	26	27	28 8:55 A16 Y6 Assembly
Week 9	31	April 1	2 Freo Dockers Cup – selected girls Y4-6	3	4 FRIDAY FITNESS Book Fair
Week 10	7	8	9 Easter Hat parade	10 WSC Band Performance	11 8:55 A6 Y2 Assembly