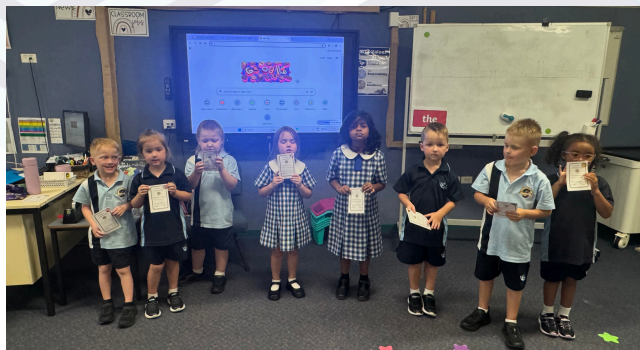




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UNLOCKING THE BRILLIANCE IN EACH OF US



DATES TO REMEMBER

FEBRUARY

28 | Clean up Australia Day

MARCH

4 | Parent Teacher Interviews

5 | Zone Swimming Carnival

7 | International Womens Day

12-14 | Naplan

21 | Harmony Day - Wear Orange



K/1S have had a fun and settled start to the year. We've already been busy with our learning in the classroom, and the children have done a wonderful job adjusting to our daily routine. We've been focusing on school and classroom expectations, and the students are doing a fantastic job mastering the 5L's of listening (listening ears, looking eyes, lips closed, hands in laps, and legs crossed). The K/1s had an amazing time visiting the school farm, where they were lucky enough to feed some animals.

In Mathematics, we've been exploring within our school and discovering that maths is everywhere. The students in K/1S have been learning about sorting objects and understanding how they can be sorted into various groups. This week, we've been focusing on pattern recognition, observing things that repeat over and over again.

In Literacy, we've been making connections between texts and personal experiences. The students are enjoying drawing images of their school, family, and new friends. We've been working on hearing sounds at the beginning, in the middle, and at the end of words, which is helping us strengthen our literacy skills.

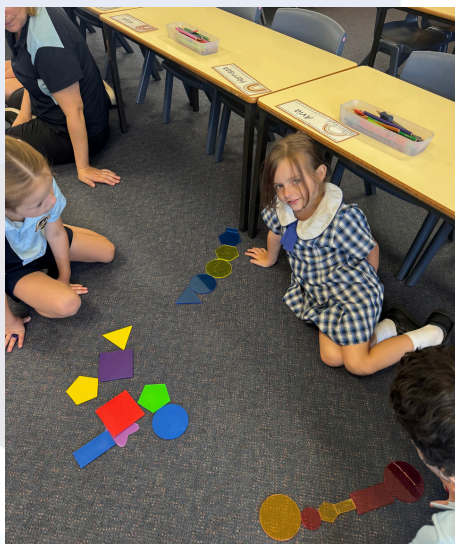
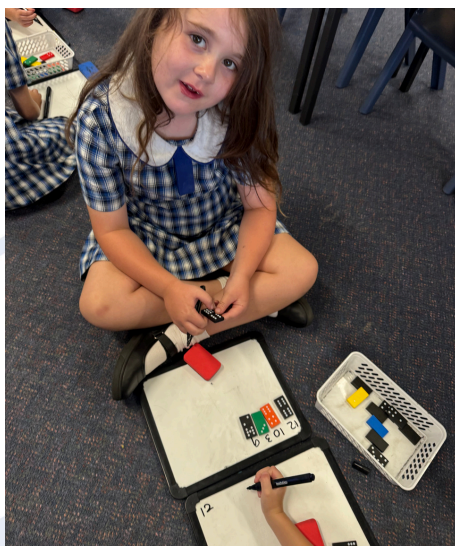
K/1S have been busy getting to know each other and making lots of new friends. We have also been teaming up with our buddies once a week to work on computer skills and participate in sports activities, which is a great way to build teamwork and have fun together.



K/1S - CONTINUED



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SWIMMING CARNIVAL RESULTS



	1st	2nd	3rd
11-13 IM	Owen Stephens Lara Clarke	Flynn Dunn	Logan Clarke
8 years 50m Free	Archie Harrop Alicia Hudspith	Joseva Kalounivalu Charli Roe	Dylan Ruschel De Jesus Navayah Franklin
9 years 50m Free	Flynn Johnston Imahli Poi	Declan Wilson Mia Orr	Kaichi Fuste Torres Jayda McCausland
10 years 50m Free	Archie Breedon Abbey Theuerzeit	Maverick McCarthy Mia Hough	Sonny White Ataliah Harrison
11 years 50m Free	Chayce Wilson Lara Clarke	Kade Jackson Olivia Roe	Tyson White Elora Schmidt
12 years 50m Free	Owen Stephens Felicity Samuel	Flynn Dunn Meagan Wallace	Logan Clarke Matilda Hartley
Jun 50m Breast.	Archie Breedon Imahli Poi	Flynn Johnston Mia Hough	Declan Wilson Indiana Morgan
11 years 50m Breast.	Cooper Morgan Lara Clarke	Kade Jackson Aurora Sultana	Cameron Morrison Olivia Roe
12 years 50m Breast.	Owen Stephens Meagan Wallace	Flynn Dunn Felicity Samuel	Logan Clarke Matilda Hartley
Jun 50m Back.	Flynn Johnston Aniwaniwa Rickus	Archie Breedon Imahli Poi	Kaichi Fuste Torres Ataliah Harrison
11 years 50m Back	Chayce Wilson Lara Clarke	Tyson White Aurora Sultana	Kade Jackson Olivia Roe
12 years 50m Back	Owen Stephens Felicity Samuel	Logan Clarke Matilda Hartley	Flynn Dunn Meagan Wallace
Jun 50m Fly	Flynn Johnston Mia Hough	Archie Breedon Ataliah Harrison	Vincent Gatt Mia Orr
11 years 50m Fly	Lara Clarke	Olivia Roe	
12 years 50m Fly	Owen Stephens	Flynn Dunn	Logan Clarke
All Age 100m Free	Owen Stephens Lara Clarke	Logan Clarke	Flynn Dunn

SWIMMING CARNIVAL



New School Records

Owen Stephens All Age
100m Freestyle 1:16.97

Owen Stephens 12 Years
50m Freestyle 34.47

Owen Stephens 12/13 Years
50m Backstroke 41.31

Owen Stephens 12/13 Years
50m Breaststroke 44.41

Owen Stephens 12/13 Years
50m Butterfly 39.31

Owen Stephens 11-13 Years
200m Individual Medley 3:15.18

Age Champions

Junior Boy – Archie Breedon

Junior Girl – Imahli Poi

11 Years – Chayce Wilson

11 Years – Lara Clarke

12 Years – Owen Stephens

12 Years – Felicity Samuel



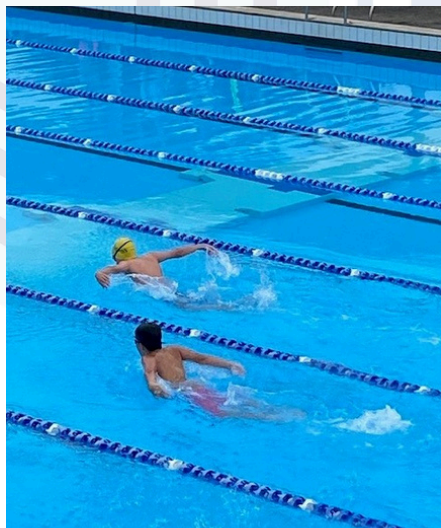
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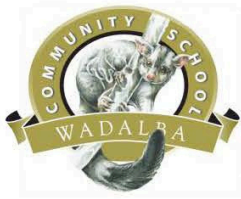
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PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS



Primary Parent Teacher Interviews – Tuesday 4th March, 2025

Booking Information

Parent Teacher interviews for Primary students are being held on Tuesday 4th March 2:40-5.30pm. This is a great opportunity to talk to your child's teacher, get an update on progress, and co-create goals for the remainder of the school year.

Interviews can be booked using the Sentral Parent Portal*. If you have used the Parent Portal previously you can login with the same username and password you created last time. If you are new to the Parent Portal you will need to register to create a profile and then type in your family code to link your profile with your children. For families new this year, your code was sent home via email. If you cannot find it in your emails, please contact the school office on the email below to request your code to be resent.

To login to the Parent Portal, visit <https://wadalbacs.sentral.com.au/auth/portal>

To register for the first time, visit <https://wadalbacs.sentral.com.au/auth/portal?action=register>

Interviews will be available for booking from 9am Thursday 20th February. Bookings are for 10 minutes. If you have multiple children, we recommend leaving 10 minutes between bookings with multiple teachers.

For classes with multiple teachers please book with the following staff:

- 3/4W= Chloe Bennett (for Amanda Wilkinson)
- 1R= Chloe Fisher (for Suze Roope)
- 5/6K= Renee Hannan (for Sarah King)

You can also indicate in the Parent Portal that you do not require an interview. If all timeslots are full, you cannot make this date, or would prefer a phone call, please contact the teacher via Class Dojo message to arrange a suitable alternative time.

On the afternoon of the interviews:

Please arrive early to be ready to start at the scheduled time. Please understand that teachers need to speak to many parents and must stick to the 10 minute time.

Thank you for your support. We look forward to chatting with you all.

* The Parent Portal has a variety of useful functions that give you access to information about your child and help you keep us up to date with your details. Please feel free to explore the portal once you have booked your interview.

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DEPUTY PRINCIPAL
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UNIFORM

With the changes in weather please make sure you have a school jumper and Wadalba school hat ready to send with your child. I know lots of kids may have grown out of these over the summer break and might be ready to move up sizes.

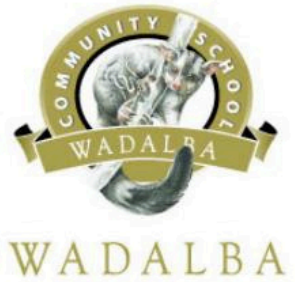
It easy to buy a hat or school jumper online and it will be delivered the very next day to your child's class! Just visit:

<https://schoolshoponline.net.au/>

WINTER IS COMING



Have you got your winter uniform ready?
schoolshoponline.net.au



Kindy - Year 5

Year 6 only



PRIMARY



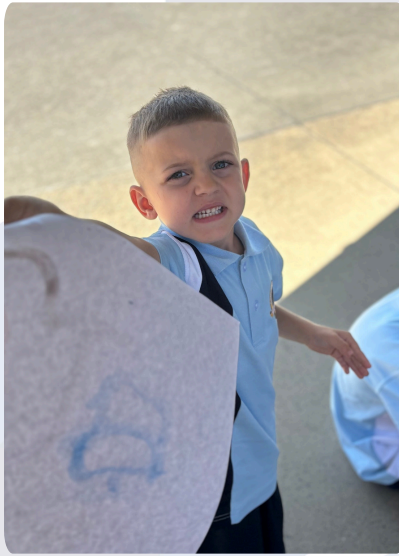
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PRIMARY BUDDIES

Our Kinder and Stage 3 buddies had a blast creating art, sharing laughs, and making memories together in the sunshine! Everyone is settling in to the new school year nicely.



PRIMARY BUDDIES



YARN UP

WCS YARN UP

On Wednesday, we had Matt Syron to open our Yarn Up with a smoking ceremony and welcome. Matt also demonstrated spear throwing, where the students, families and staff joined in to try their skills.



YARN UP - CONTINUED



ATTENDANCE MATTERS

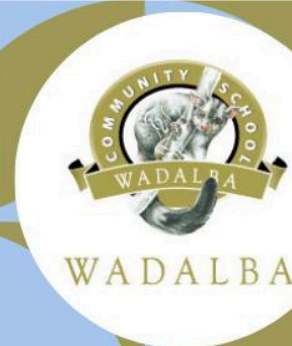
ATTENDANCE MATTERS | Have you reported your student absences this week?

Parents of children from Kindergarten to Year 12 must ensure their children attend school every day. On occasion, your child may need to be absent from school. Justified reasons for student absences may include:

- being sick or having an infectious disease
- having an unavoidable medical appointment
- being required to attend a recognised religious holiday
- exceptional or urgent family circumstances e.g. attending a funeral.

Parents must provide an explanation for absences to the school within 7 days from the first day of any period of absence. Where an explanation has not been received within the 7-day timeframe, the school will record the absence as unexplained on the student's record.

HAVE YOUR STUDENT ABSENCES BEEN EXPLAINED?



EVERY STUDENT, EVERY CLASS, EVERY DAY!



1 day a week doesn't sound like a lot, surely they won't miss that much.

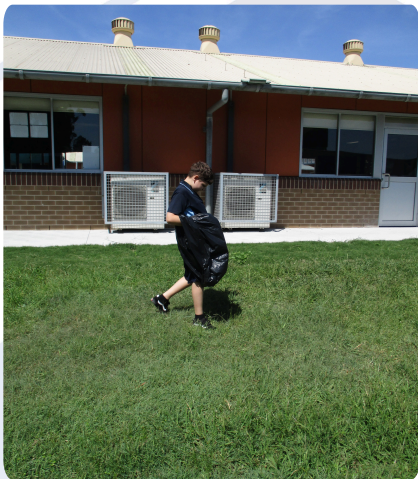
1 day a week, equals 2 weeks a term, 4 weeks a semester and 8 weeks missed every year!



ATTENDANCE MATTERS AND EVERY DAY COUNTS!

Regular school attendance is important for academic success. When students miss school, they miss out on important instruction, practice and feedback. Attendance is linked to positive behaviours and attitude towards school. Make attendance a priority to help your child succeed at school.

CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY



PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE

Premier's Reading Challenge - Opens Monday, 25th February!

We are excited to announce that the Premier's Reading Challenge will be kicking off on Monday, 25th February! During this time, students in K-2 will have their books logged by their teachers, while students in years 3-6 will be logging their own books during library lessons. Students can also log books from home by accessing their student account and clicking on the PRC icon or by visiting NSW Premier's Reading Challenge 2025 and clicking the Students Experience image at the top of the page and logging in using their students username and password.

For more information, including the full rules, families can visit the Premier's Reading Challenge website. The challenge concludes on August 22, and students will receive a certificate upon completion.

Happy reading!

