



3rd June 2021

Calendar

Monday, Wednesday & Friday
 Breakfast Club 8:15 – 8:45am
 Wednesday, Thursday & Friday
 Lunch Orders
 Wednesdays
 Wheels Wednesday

Wednesday 9th
 Education Sub Com Meeting
 –3:45pm
 Friday 11th
 - Pupil Free Day
 Monday 14th
 Queen's Birthday Holiday
 Thursday 17th
 Finance Sub Com Meeting –2pm
 Friday 18th
 Winter Sports for Years 3–6
 Sunday 20th
 Working Bee –10am 
 Monday 21st
 School Council Meeting –7pm
 Wednesday 23rd
 Reports go live
 Thursday 24th
 Bike Ed –Years 5/6 
 Friday 25th
 Last day of Term 2
 –2:20pm finish
JULY 
 Monday 12th July
 First day of Term 3
 - Pupil free day

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EVERY DAY COUNTS



Patrick—7th
 Mason—7th
 Chloe—9th
 Isla—9th

From the Principal's Desk

COVID UPDATE

We are looking forward to all children being back at school for face to face learning tomorrow. We revert to no adults at assembly until further notice as the density quotients of 1:4 m² return. As further details become available from the department, I will keep you updated.

NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK

Reconciliation Australia's theme for 2021, **MORE THAN A WORD, RECONCILIATION TAKES ACTION**, urges the reconciliation movement towards braver and more impactful action.

Reconciliation is a journey for all Australians—as individuals, families, communities, organisations and importantly as a nation. At the heart of this journey are relationships between the broader Australian community and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

Our Koorie educator, Josh has made some valuable suggestions for families to consider and discuss to deepen understanding of issues that remain as challenges for us all as a community:

“There is no better time than this week to start the conversation around Aboriginal history and reconciliation.

Some dates that are important to talk about: 1788, Captain Cook and the relationship between Cook and Aboriginal people. How have aboriginal people been treated since 1788? Average dying age of Aboriginal people prior to settlement was 90 years old. Today 75% of aboriginal people will die before we reach 65, Why? Let's talk about this issue with our kids. 1869 Victorian Protection Act missions established, herded into unknown land with unknown people No tribal association, deprived of rights, lost culture and knowledge. Stolen generation. 1967 referendum. 1992 Eddie Mabo high court decision, what was he challenging? Terra nullius. 2008 Kevin Rudd says sorry, What is he sorry for.

I believe reconciliation week is about acknowledging the wrongs and how we were treated, it is time we all learn our history. Now we need to move forward as one, What can we do to ensure we continue to head in the right direction?

Karobran buth kooto (together as one)”

THREE YEAR OLD KINDERGARTEN IS COMING TO THE WELLINGTON SHIRE

Do you know a child who will be three in 2022?

Every child deserves the opportunity to have the best start. That's why funded Three Year Old Kindergarten will be available in the Wellington Shire from 2022. This means an extra year of learning, playing and making friends for children.

From next year, kindergartens in Wellington will be offering five hours a week of a funded Three Year Old Kindergarten program.

In a kindergarten program, qualified teachers support children by offering them a range of learning experiences and activities that are both stimulating and fun. Your child's learning and curiosity will be encouraged through experiences and activities such as exploring the natural world, being exposed to new ideas and solving problems.

Just like with four Year Old Kindergarten, Three Year Old Kindergarten programs will be tailored to meet the needs of children. Qualified teachers support children's learning and development through play-based learning.

Play-based learning is how young children learn best. It helps them to build important skills such as language, maths and science concepts, how to manage their emotions and get along with others. Children also develop their imagination, curiosity and a love of learning when learning through play.

REGARDS—PENNY EARLE

