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From the Principal

Term 2 Week 8

A big thank you

Once again we want to let you know how much we appreciate your support and patience with how our school needs to operate during this time. We are so proud of everyone, staff, students and parents all working together to make our school a happy and safe place where learning can take place.

Restrictions being lifted

The Department of Education have provided us with an update of what restrictions can be lifted over the next couple of weeks till the end of Term 2 and what can be lifted in Term 3.

Please click on this link to find a document from the Department of Education to schools outlining the guidelines we need to follow:

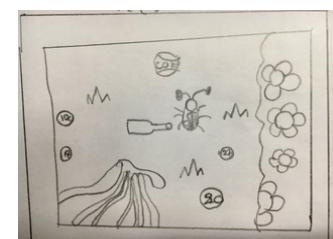


There are still some pending items that still need to be decided on such as day and overnight excursions. We have been able to book in excursions for all our stages so as to save the dates and let parents know costs and the activities that will occur for the students on these excursions. Students in Year 5 and 6 have made deposits to the Canberra and Zoo excursions which can be transferred to the Great Aussie Bush Camp if parents still wish their children to attend. We will know whether we can continue with these excursions in the near future and whether we can supplement these to bring down costs for everyone. Rumbalara excursions can go ahead from now as it is an Environmental Education Centre attached to the Department of Education.

Incursions such as having specialists in to talk about subjects of interest can be invited into the school at our discretion if we believe it will be beneficial to students and safe in the current climate. However we can now have the Music Bus operating on our site. We do not have an answer as to when parents will again be able to access school grounds but as you will see from the documentation things are slowly getting back to normal as we know it. Hang in there everyone and remember to be COVID safe.

Mr Brady's Archaeological dig

Mr Brady is ready and very excited to get down and dirty with the planned historical archaeological dig on the ground space which was under the demountable classroom that was recently removed. Safe boundaries have been marked on the site. A risk assessment has been completed and all is in readiness for the event. We have some very excited students ready to be able to take part in this "hands on" history in the making dig. We know this building sat on that site for more than 20 years or longer so who knows what will be found. The site has been checked carefully by the demolishers as well as Mr Brady to ensure all glass objects and sharp items have been removed and catalogued so our students will not be harmed. We asked some of the students what they thought they might find.



Here is what they thought of:

Isabelle 3/4A - *I think we might find a lot of rubbish, some coins, lots of bug and insects as well as dead roots of an old tree.*

Sophie 3/4A - *I think we might find old newspaper articles, some old money, paper bags and lots more rubbish.*

Edie 3/4LB - *We might find old food wrappers, buckets, old equipment, parts that might have fallen off the building and plastic from frozen juice cups from the Canteen*

It will be very interesting to see what is actually found but the archaeological process the students will go through will be invaluable and the experience of a lifetime. More updates to come as the works progress.

Our students reflect on our school

We always like to know how our students are feeling here at Woy Woy Public school. Especially given what they have experienced over the last few months. We asked some students to reflect on why they love it here at our school. Here is what some of them have said:

Imogen 3/4B - *I love seeing all of my teachers and friends finally! Being able to do PE, History and Art. Just being here seeing everything that I made before we had to stay at home. It's really fun to be back. I didn't think any kid has said this before but I wish I could stay at school.*

Daniel 3/4B - *I like seeing my friends back at school. I like seeing my teacher.*

Jasmine 3/4C - *I love this school because I have lots of friends. Our teachers help us. I love history with Mr Brady. PE and sport are fun. Mrs Nebauer helps me with writing and helps me learn about my culture. Grant teaches me how to play the guitar and the piano. He helps me with fitness.*

Eli 3/4C - *I like lunch time. It is my favourite time of the day. Can you make it longer?*

Emma 3/4M - *I love the oval, the Preschool, lunch, recess, my teachers in Maths and in class and reading. I love sport, PE, History, Science, the Principal, Art, and Dancing, the bathroom, Canteen, my friends and the hall. That's it.*

Ami 5/6B - *One reason I love school is the Disability unit and how everyone is included. Number two, I love the cooperation within the school. Third reason is the equipment. It is good fun to play with my friends. Forth reason is friends. There are lots of good people to make friends with. The fifth reason is I like how if people are struggling in life they have an amazing Principal and Mrs Williams to talk to and wonderful teachers if there are any problems. These are my 5 reasons why I think WWPS is an amazing school.*

Enrolments open

Just a reminder that enrolments are now open for both our Preschool and Kindergarten intakes for 2021. Enrolment packages are available from our school office. Please let anyone know who lives around you that may have children ready to start school or in the year before school know that it is time to enrol for 2021 for Preschool or Kindergarten.

Uniform Shop

The Uniform shop will open next Thursday 25th June from 9:00am for an hour for anyone who wishes to purchase winter or other items of school uniform. Please remember that items can also be purchased online to be sent home with students or picked up by you at the school office.

To ensure everyone's safety social distancing measures and hygiene precautions will be in place around the uniform shop. Please enter the uniform shop through the back car park and along the side of the canteen. You will see the signs to direct you and prompts for social distancing. We are all now very aware of practising social distancing and what we need to do.

As you know we cannot have any trying on of garments at this stage as is the practice in all retail outlets at present. Holding up and checking sizes can be done and the uniform items will be displayed for you to do this in groups of 3 inside the Community Access Room.

Thank you for your cooperation and respect for the COVID -19 restrictions.

Important message for Drop off and Pick ups

We know that dropping off and picking up your children at present is hard as our school is not able to invite parents on site. There is congestion at our gates and more traffic congestion on our main pick up areas in Park and Bowen Roads.

Please be sensible and exercise consideration and fairness to others.

Our Kiss and Drop zone must be used correctly at all times.

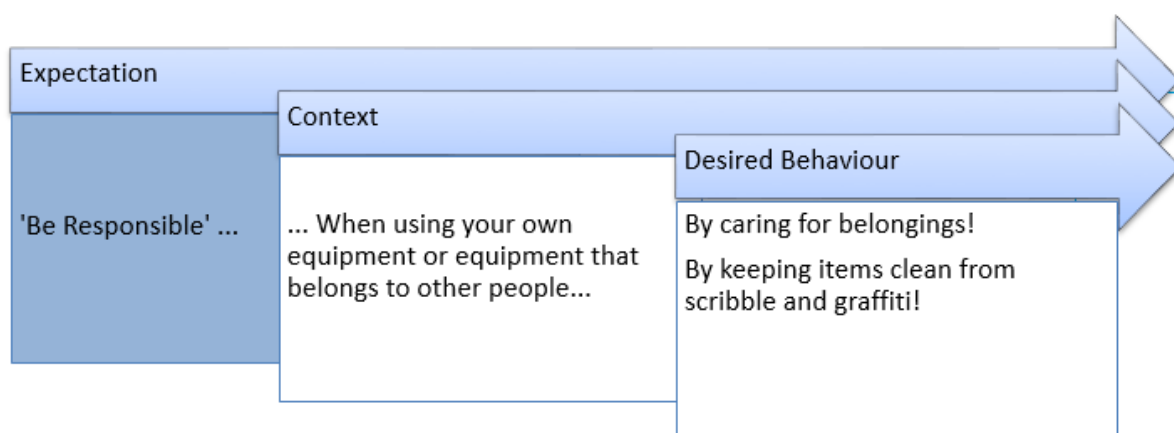
Kiss and Ride Zones are designed for your convenience and for your child's safety. Designed for quick entry and exit, these zones minimise congestion and risk when used properly by all parents and carers. These zones operate under the same conditions as no parking zones, which means you may stop to drop off or pick up children for **a maximum of 2 minutes**. You're required **to remain in, or within 3 metres of, your vehicle**.

Fines can be applied and we do hope that this will not be the case if we all do the right thing.

Keep safe and have a happy couple of weeks ahead as things start returning to normality.

Ona Buckley and Dan Betts

Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) Weeks 7 & 8



This fortnight teachers have been talking to students about how to 'Be Cooperative' especially when they are speaking to each other at school. Lessons have had a focus on how to include others in games, being a good sport and taking turns. Our focus for Weeks 9 & 10 will be 'Be Responsible' by taking care of belongings and keeping areas clean and tidy.

Stronger Braver Wiser- Mindfulness and social Skills Training.

We are very happy to announce that with the COVID 19 restrictions easing we have been able to resume our Stronger, Braver & Wiser social skills mentoring program with Mr Grant Hickman. Mr Hickman works with targeted groups of students across Kindergarten -Year 6 promoting their confidence, communication and physical fitness levels. The goal of the program is to support the development of students mental, emotional and physical life skills enabling them to make positive life choices.

If you have any questions regarding this fortnights PBL message or Mr Hickman's program please feel free to contact Mrs Williams in the office.

We were excited to be able to celebrate some of the achievements of our wonderful students this week at our first assembly for Term 2.

Class	Academic Award	Values- Compassion Award
KB	Eloise Brown	Ava Elder
KW	Stella Bowker	Eloise Van Der Neut
KY	Em-Kay Alger	Amarni Worth
1C	Thomas Bernie	Winona Singleton
2E	William Glason	Louisa Morrison
2MB	Jordan Ippolito	Ziva Brannigan
3-4A	Evan Chen	Patience Bisson
3-4B	Daina Clark	Isabella Marshall
3-4C	Crystal Prytz	Saraya Taylor
3-4L	Edie West	Charlee O'Hara
3-4M	Emilie Liang	Prydi Bisson
5-6B	Kyle Clarke	Blake Appleton
5-6RC	Alec Byrne	Narah Smith
5-6H	Jack Ellis	Mia Pike
5-6T	Mia Zhang	Matthew Tonkin
K-6W	Matthew Golds	Fynn McCall

New Online Enrolment System

Online enrolment for new students is now available at our school! If your child lives within the local area and is an Australian or New Zealand citizen and wishes to enrol at our school, you can enrol them through our school website under the 'Enrolment' tab.

The Online Enrolment System is designed to provide flexibility for parents to submit an Application to enrol in a NSW Government School online at the time that best suits you. The application can be accessed on all browsers and mobile devices including iOS and Android.

The online application process is currently restricted to:

- Enrolments into **local** schools only
- Children who are Australian citizens, New Zealand citizens or permanent residents
- Children who live in NSW

We offer our support and encourage you to complete your application to enrol online. If however, you do not feel comfortable completing an application online, a paper copy will be available for collection from the front office or can be downloaded from the Department's [going to a public school site](#).

If you would like further information please come and see us in the office.

*We are now taking
Preschool & Kindergarten Enrolments 2021*



Important Attendance Information



All students should be at school unless:

- they have a medical certificate which states that they are unable to return to school due to an ongoing medical condition
- they are currently unwell.

If your child is unwell, do not send them to school. If they are unwell at school, you or your nominated emergency contact will need to collect them immediately. Please ensure your child's contact details are up to

date. If a student is absent without a medical reason for more than three days, this will be recorded as an unauthorised absence and will be followed up by the school.

If you have any questions regarding your child's attendance at school please call the office on 43 413555.

If someone in your family is being tested for COVID-19 we do ask that they stay home until results have been returned. If results are positive please contact the school immediately and all family members are to isolate for the required length of time.

School Photos 2020

School Photos will be held on;

Tuesday 4th August for Preschool (Seahorse) to Year 4

Thursday 6th August for Preschool (Pelican) and Stage 3

Please make sure your child arrives at 8:50 am so they do not miss out on photos. Times vary so we are unable to give you an exact time that your child will be having their photo.

New envelopes will be given out, if you require another envelope please contact the office or your child's classroom teacher.

Sibling envelopes are available at the office and will be done on Tuesday and Thursday.

Please contact Mrs Barrett if you have any questions.

Corrie Barrett
Classroom Teacher

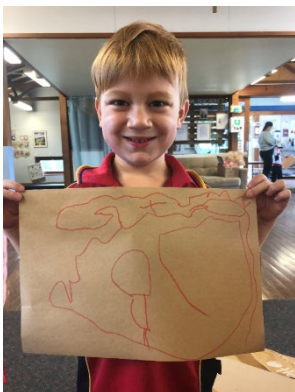




The Guliyali Preschool children's interest in imaginative play has come to life this past fortnight with the Seahorse Group enjoying a Pirate Dress Up day and the Pelican group a Superhero Dress Up day. The children loved showing off their eye-patches and special powers.

The children have also been filling their emotional toolbox with strategies to help calm their body, regulate their emotions and promote positive wellbeing. 5 finger breathing and Rainbow breathing have been most popular among the children. We have even had several positive reports that the children are implementing these techniques at home too.

To ensure the children are well rehearsed and familiar with the procedure in the case of an emergency, this week the Preschooler's have practiced an evacuation and/or lockdown. The children did exceptionally well, listening and following directions of their educators to ensure everybody was kept safe. Well done!



Whitney Williams
Early Childhood Teacher | Guliyali Preschool

Community Helpers Visit

K/6PC and K/6W are doing a unit on people who help us. This week we were visited by Naomi, a fifth year medical student. Naomi talked to us about the work that doctors and nurses do and showed us some of the instruments they use. She also talked about the things we can do to keep ourselves healthy. We had some fun pretending to be patients and being bandaged up. We also had the chance to dress up as a doctor and treat pretend patients.



Michelle Pathirana
Classroom Teacher



Washing our Hands and Science

3-6O decided to carry out a scientific experiment to determine which was the best method of cleaning our hands. We all know we have to keep our hands clean to prevent the spread of germs and viruses, like the Corona virus. This experiment helped us decide by testing different ways to wash.

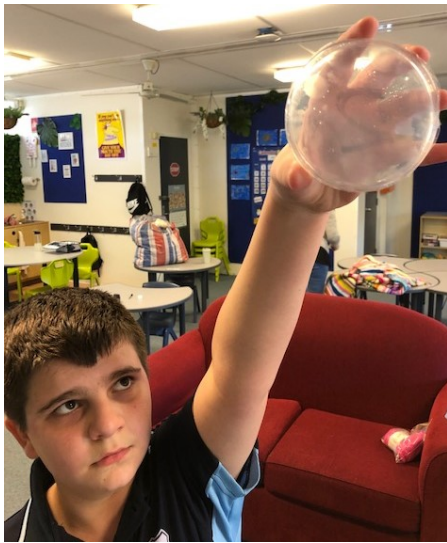
We prepared petri dishes with an agar jelly for the germs to grow on then we touched each bit of jelly with our hands. We used dirty hands, hands washed with soap and hands washed with sanitiser. We also left one untouched as a 'control'.

To make it a fair test we did exactly the same actions for each petri dish and then we taped them shut so no more germs could get in.

Our result! We found that soap was the best cleaner as we found fewer bacteria growing on the agar jelly. Then hand sanitiser. The dirty hands grew the most bacteria.

Can we use this in real life? Yes we can. We think we should use soap as our first type of cleaner and then hand sanitiser if we don't have soap. Unclean hands spread the virus.

Whatever you do, make sure you always wash your hands!



David Owens
Classroom Teacher | Science Coordinator

School Counsellor



Accessing School Counsellor Support



Moving forward into Term 2, if you or your child/children would like some extra support, I will be available for appointments either in person at school or via the phone, on Wednesdays and Thursdays between 10am and 2pm. If you would like to arrange an appointment, please contact the school office to arrange a time.

Montana Wood
School Counsellor

Chaplain's Corner



Hi Students!

I hope you are all doing well. This week I have a fun challenge for you to complete. My challenge is for you to find a new hobby! A hobby is an activity that you enjoy doing. Hobbies can include things such as: dancing, sports, art and craft, finger knitting, reading, baking, necklace making, painting, bike riding, and so much more!! Trying new things makes life fun and interesting. It also helps us to learn and develop new skills. What will you try this week?

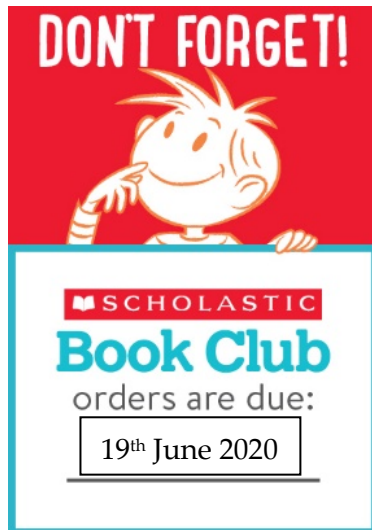
Have a look at some of the things you may like to try below!



Miss Campbell
The School Chaplain

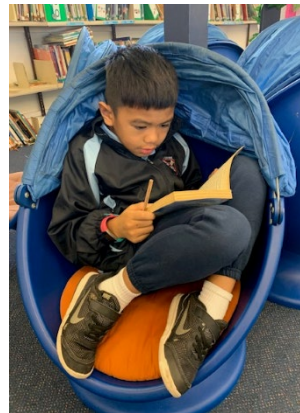


Book Club issue 4 orders are due 19th June 2020. We can accept cash orders at school and online orders are a convenient option as well. When book club orders arrive at school, they are given to the students to take home. If a 'gift order' is specified, a parent/ carer will be notified to pick up the items from the front office.



New Furniture

Students have been enjoying the new updated furniture and technology in the library.



Mrs Cathy Walker
Teacher Librarian

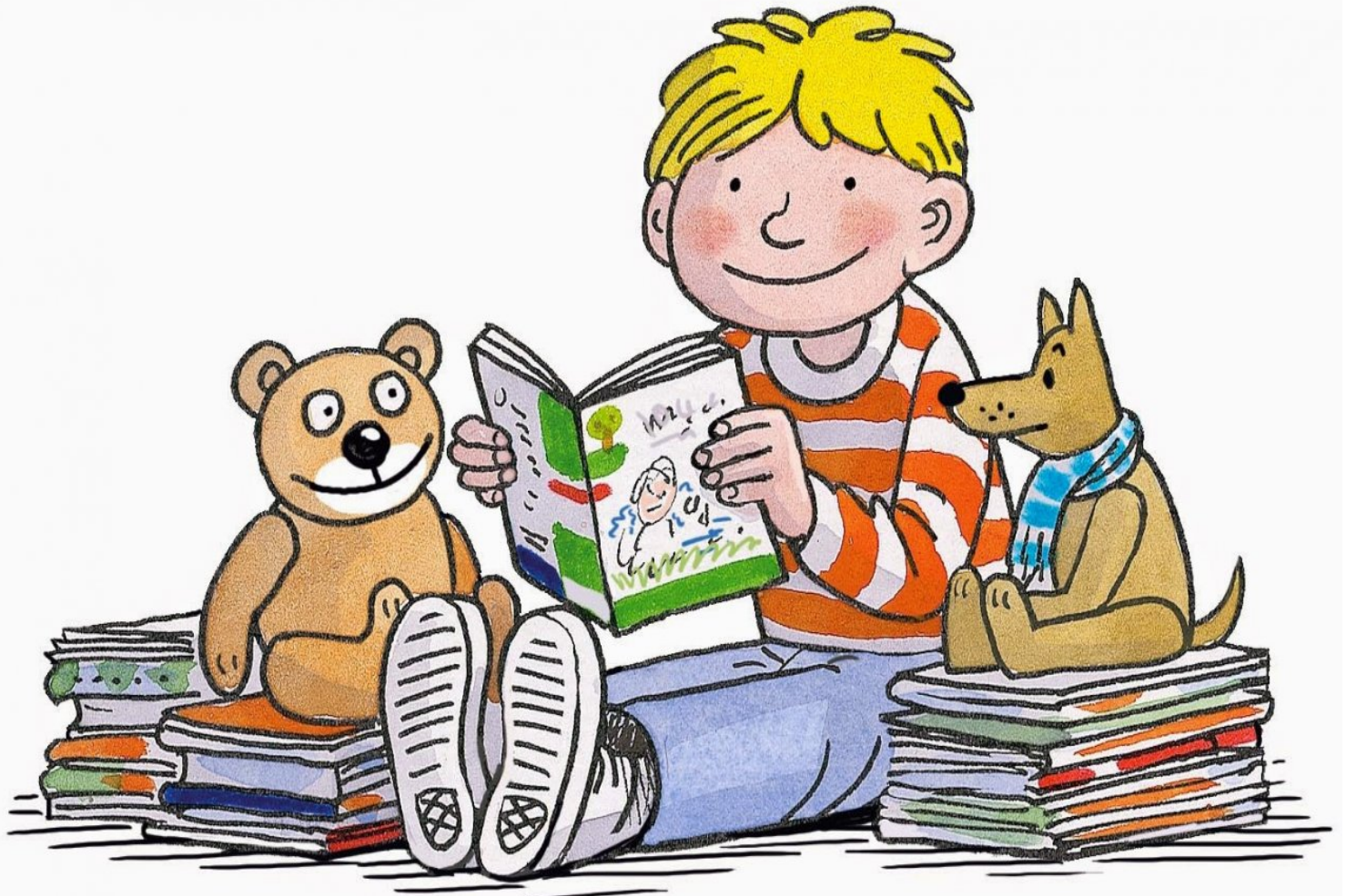
Aspire Home Reading



Congratulations to the following students who have reached their 75 & 100 nights of home reading!

75 Nights Sam D 3/4C, Eloise B KB

100 Nights Tyler G 3/4C, Saraya T 3/4C, Terence W 3/4C, Leo O 3/4C, Lucia J 3/4C, Annabelle D 3/4C, Max R KB, Ricky R 2E



Messages from the Office

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

****** Unless your enquiry is a matter of urgency please restrict entry into our office area ******

Office Hours

School phones are manned from 8.30am until 3.15pm. The office window is opened at 8.30am and closed at 3.00pm however office staff are available until 3.15pm. There is a teacher on duty at the bus lines until 3.20pm.

Changes to Going Home Arrangements

Could you please ensure that your child is aware of how they will be going home in the afternoon. If these arrangements change during the day it would be appreciated if you could contact the office prior to 2.00pm to ensure that the message is passed on to your child.

Skoolbag APP and Website

You can download the WWPS Skoolbag APP to both iPhone and Android devices. Event updates and important information will be sent out via our Skoolbag APP and you can record your child's absence from school here as well. You will also find our School website at <http://www.woywoy-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/> which is regularly updated with events happening in our school. The School email address for correspondence is woywoy-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au.

Student Mobile Phones

Students who bring their mobile phone to school are asked to leave them at the office on their arrival and collect it at the end of the school day. Students are not permitted to have their phone with them during the day. It is also helpful if their name is on their phone.

Late Arrival / Early Departure

If your child is late arriving to school or needs to leave early for an appointment, a partial absence slip is to be collected from the school office prior to going to your child's classroom. This slip is given to the classroom teacher.

Payment of Money to the School

School fees and activity costs can be paid by credit card via the Woy Woy Public School website (<http://www.woywoy-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/>) using the 'Make a Payment' tab.

If you are making a cash payment please place the money in an envelope with the child's name, class and the reason clearly noted. We have cash collection envelopes at the school office for your use. All money is to be given to your child's teacher. When making payments for multiple children, separate money and envelopes for each child is appreciated, as it is very time-consuming to sort out at the time of receipting.

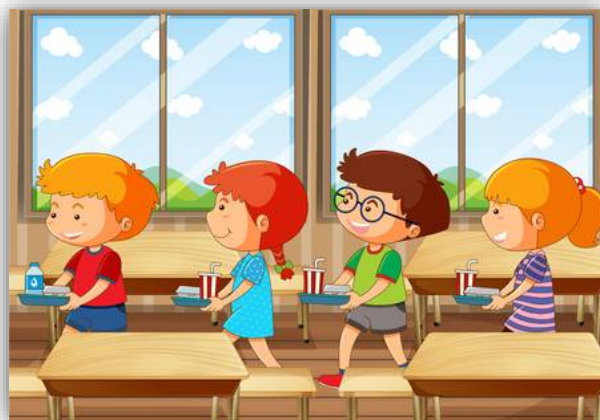
Thank you

Linda Goldsmith – School Administrative Manager



Snack Shack News

Monday	22 nd June	
Tuesday	23 rd June	Pat
Wednesday	24 th June	Vicki
Thursday	25 th June	Kay
Friday	26 th June	
Monday	29 th June	Pat
Tuesday	30 th June	
Wednesday	1 st July	Janet
Thursday	2 nd July	
Friday	3 rd July	



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Anne
Canteen Supervisor

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MUSIC BUS PICK UP

If your child is attending our Music Bus and they are finishing their lesson after school hours could you please collect your child from our school car park gate located in Park Road. We do remind all parents and carers that we are still following the Department Rules and Regulations Policy of **no parents on site**. Children will be directed to our car park gate after their lesson.

We do wish to thank you all for your co-operation.

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