



THE WILLOW WEEKLY

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Wednesday, the 21st of August, 2024

Willowmavin Primary School resides on the lands of the Taungurung people.

We acknowledge their leaders past and present and pledge to respect the earth, the life and the waters of these lands.

CELEBRATING LEARNING IN ...

P.E. - Taekwondo

Recently, students have participated in a Taekwondo program as part of their P.E. lessons. Through the Sporting Schools initiative, we were fortunate enough to have Kathryn from Macedon Taekwondo come out to the school to teach us. Over the four sessions, we learnt and practised a range of blocks, kicks and strikes.

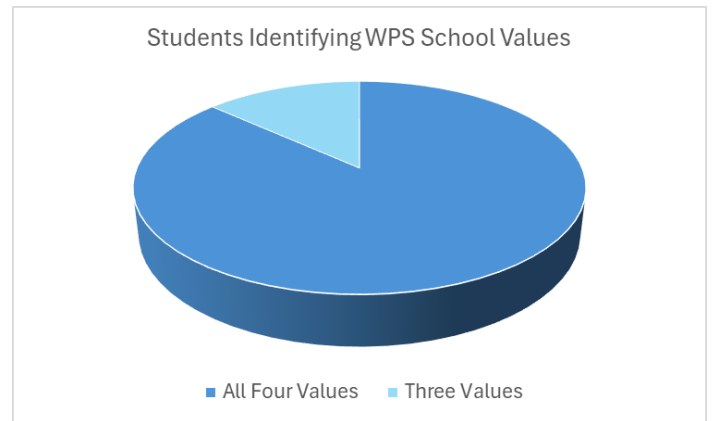
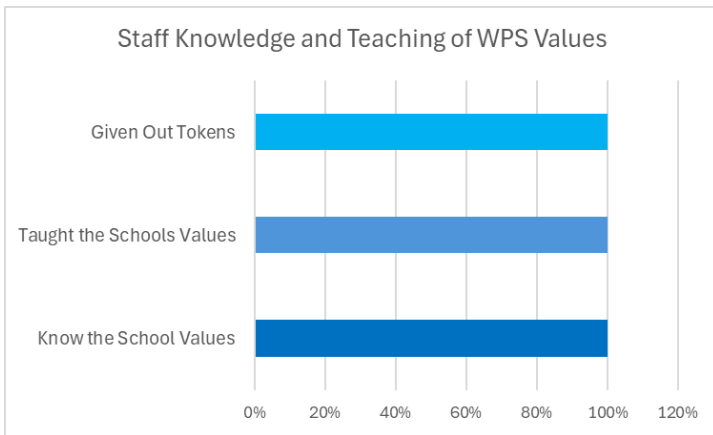




FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Celebrations!

At Willowmavin Primary School, we seek to create a school environment in which students are respectful and safe. To do this, we implement the School Wide Positive Behaviour Support framework. Basically, this framework is all about celebrating and recognising desired behaviour, which will result in positive behaviour thriving throughout the school. For Willowmavin, “desired” behaviour is behaviour that aligns with our school values – students being their best, students being respectful, students being resilient and students being safe. The SWPBS Tiered Fidelity Inventory Survey, is designed to assist the school in monitoring its effectiveness in implementing the SWPBS framework. Over the past week, we have been using this survey to assess the use of the school’s rewards system (BRRS). As you can see from the below, we had very positive results. 100% of staff were not only able to identify the school’s values, they had explicitly taught our school values to students. All staff had also given out tokens recently. As such, it was not surprising that 100% of participating students had received tokens this term. Whilst just over 13% of students were unable to identify all four school values, 100% of our students were able to identify at least 3 of our 4 values.



School Events

As families would have noticed from the many notices coming home, the school has a number of events coming up. Typically, we try to spread events out, however, sometimes this can be taken out of our hands when other schools are involved or booking availability is limited. Multiple events means multiple costs for families. And for families with siblings, even greater costs. Should you be experiencing any difficulties in paying for any upcoming event for your child, please don’t hesitate to contact the office so that we can identify ways in which we can help.

Being Safe Online

When we talk about kids being safe online, we often think of online predators or children giving away personal details to potential scammers. However, there are many other potential dangers that we need to be watching out for when our kids are online. Sometimes, these dangers present themselves in rather innocent ways. Last weekend, my niece (a Grade 3 student) introduced my 7-year-old daughter to Roblox, a seemingly child friendly and fun online game where players can interact with other players in an online world which they create. Whilst the game itself seemed OK, my wife and I were quite shocked to discover that whilst playing, other games and ads popped up that were, to say the least, very different in content and purpose to Roblox – ones we were not comfortable with our daughter seeing or playing at her age. This highlights the need for ongoing vigilance when it comes to our kids being online.

Students at Willow regularly talk of being online after school or on the weekends. This space can be a fantastic resource for students to connect with their friends and peers, no matter how far they may live from one another. It is imperative though that parents and guardians are regularly checking in with their kids regarding their online activities and experiences. The following link will take you to the eSafety Commissioner’s eSafetyParents page. Here, families can find the resources and guidance they need to best ensure that when their children are online, they are safe. <https://www.esafety.gov.au/parents>

Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Survey

The Parent/Caregiver/Guardian Survey closes next Friday, August 30. That leaves us just over a week to bump up our response rate. We still sit at 21% with 8 responses. It would be great if we could increase this significantly. A reminder that paper surveys are available at the office.

Signing Off

Learn from your failures, they are stepping stones to success..

Mr. O’Callaghan





Student of the Week



Term: 3

Week: 4



F/1	Harper
2/3/4	Lucas
4/5/6	Natalia



Student of the Week



Term: 3

Week: 5



F/1	Bodhi
2/3/4	Tyler
4/5/6	Hannah



BE YOUR BEST



RESPECT



RESILIENCE



SAFE



BOOK WEEK



FRIDAY, THE 23RD OF AUGUST



Come to school dressed
as your favourite book
character!



Open classrooms - Share a story with your
child in their classroom from 2:05pm –
2:20pm!

There will be a parade on the basketball
court as part of our afternoon assembly
from 2:20pm.



Students will also engage in activities
throughout the week, with the theme,
READING IS MAGIC!



WILLOWMAVIN PRIMARY SCHOOL

FATHER'S DAY

GIFT STALL & CARD MAKING WORKSHOP

**CARD MAKING WORKSHOP
THURSDAY 29TH AUGUST**

Attention all who aren't Dad, Grandpa or the Special Person you are celebrating on Father's Day!

You are invited to join your child / children to create a Father's Day card together. Join us from 2:30pm - 3:30pm in the Library to create a special card to give to your special person on Father's Day. Cards, pencils and decorations provided.

**GIFT STALL
THURSDAY 29TH AUGUST
2:00PM - 2:30PM**

Please send students to school with money inside a sealed envelope with their name on it. Students will also need a bag to bring their gift home in (and to help keep it a surprise for their special person!).

*Gifts will range from \$1 - \$5 each.

*Somers Camp students will shop the stall on Thursday 22nd August at 11am (recess).



OUR 1ST FATHERS DAY



\$4.50 each
No minimum order



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FLOWERDALE
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FATHER'S FUN DAY



SUNDAY, 1 SEPTEMBER

12:30PM - 4:30PM



\$20 PER CHILD | \$40 PER ADULT
\$95 FAMILY VALUE PACK:
2 ADULTS, x2 CHILDREN



FURTHER INFORMATION & TICKETS
AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE



03 5784 9280

2285 BROADFORD-FLOWERDALE RD, STRATH CREEK

**Australian Plants Society
Mitchell Group Inc**



**Annual Spring
Plant Expo & Sale**

**Saturday 7 September
9.00am—3.00pm**

**Wallan Multi-purpose
Community Centre
42 Bentinck St, Wallan**

**Native Plant Floral Displays
Australian Native Plant Sales
Gardening & Plant Book Sales**

FREE ENTRY

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Contact:- aps.mitchell@gmail.com

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2024 WHITTLESEA SHOW – EDUCATION SECTION

THE 2024 SHOW THEME IS 'FUTURE FARMING'

Entries in the 2024 Whittlesea Show Education Section will only be accepted through the online entry system. **YOU MUST WATCH** the detailed instruction video on how to enter. This will help you set up your spread sheet with the correct information prior to entering. Watch here: <https://youtu.be/4UnRF68Lyal>

ONLINE ENTRY

ENTRY TO BE completed online BY MONDAY 23rd SEPTEMBER 2024
<https://showday.online/show/whittlesea>



ENTRY DROP OFF DATES & TIMES

WRITTEN WORK ONLY

DELIVER TO THE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING: GATE 1 MCPHEES RD

FRIDAY	4TH OCTOBER 2024	BETWEEN 3:00PM - 5:00PM
SATURDAY	5TH OCTOBER 2024	BETWEEN 9:00AM - 11:00AM

ALL OTHER ENTRIES

DELIVER TO THE CHANDLER PAVILION: INSIDE THE SHOWGROUNDS

FRIDAY	11TH OCTOBER 2024	BETWEEN 3:00PM - 5:00PM
SATURDAY	12TH OCTOBER 2024	BETWEEN 9:00AM - 11:00AM



WILLOW WORKS



Listed below are current general maintenance and repair items at the school. If you are able to help with these items, please speak with the office or your child's classroom teacher. All materials required for these jobs will be paid for by the school. We are able to organise access to the school grounds after hours if this is more suitable for families.

Thank you!



Item	Date
Lubricate playground equipment	25/10/23
Blind cord to be screwed back into place in Breakfast Club room	25/10/23
Sliding door in art room to be repaired so that it moves smoothly	25/10/23
Safety gate (on BER deck) lock to be removed	25/10/23
Open windows in art room and admin office	09/11/23
Remove wood pile and tall grass behind container	07/12/23
Re attach the paper towel holder to the boy's bathroom wall	21/03/24
Panel removed from generator shed and replaced with clear panel to allow light in	06/06/24
Carpet tiles replaced in F/1 classroom	06/06/24
Fencing around BER deck area to be repaired	06/06/24
Mulch pile in staff car park to be removed	06/06/24



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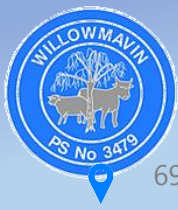
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What's On...

Dates To Remember

August

- 22nd Father's Day Stall for Somers Camp students
- 22nd Foundation Transition Story Time
- 23rd Book Week Dress up Day and Family Reading
- 27th Somers Camp
- 29th Father's Day Stall and card Making
- 30th District Athletics



Birthdays

August

- 9th Jack A
- 22nd Bryce H



Other.....

Pallets

Thanks to FoodBank, we have a wooden pallet delivered to our school each week. If we have any crafty families that might like to create something with those pallets for the school yard, or if you would like them for your personal use, please let us know. Photos for ideas...

