



# WOODANILLING PRIMARY SCHOOL 9th February

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## Important Dates



- **Term 1 2024**
  - 29th & 30th January - School development days - no students
  - 31st January - First day Term 1 for Students including Kindergarten

**Bunuru - Second summer (season of the adolescence) February - March**



Bunuru is the hottest time of the year with little to no rain. Hot easterly winds continue with a cooling sea breeze most afternoons if you're close to the coast. Therefore, traditionally this was, and still is, a great time for living and fishing by the coast, rivers and estuaries. Because of this, freshwater foods and seafood made up major parts of the diet during this time of year.

Bunuru is also a time of the white flowers with lots of white flowering gums in full bloom, including Jarrah, Marri and Ghost Gums.

Another striking flower that is hard to go past is the female Zamia (*Macrozamia riedlei*). Being much larger than that of its male counterpart, the huge cones emerge from the centre of the plant with masses of a cotton wool like substance.

As the hot, dry weather continues the seed upon the cones change from green to bright red, indicating they're ripening and becoming more attractive to animals, particularly the emu, that will eat the toxic fleshy outer.

Bureau of Meteorology

**Just a reminder that snakes and bobtails are coming out with the warmer weather. We remind everyone to be aware and take precautions. It is recommended that students wear closed in sneakers or school shoes to keep safe. They are also best for climbing and running, especially during fitness and physical education.**

## Principal's Address



Dear parents, carers and community members

The students and staff have had a wonderful start to 2024 and have been surviving the heatwaves that have occurred over the last two weeks. I am enjoying being part of the Woodanilling school community and would like to thank everyone for making me feel very welcome.

### **School Arrival Time**

Thank you to those who have been arriving at school **from 8:40am**. This allows the school to follow the teacher's agreement and provides the staff with the planning time that is needed to ensure a smooth day for all students and staff.

### **Healthy Lunch Box Week**

This week, the students participated in some healthy eating lessons which included making healthy muesli bars with myself on Tuesday and eating them on Wednesday. They were all excited about cooking but possibly not about all of the healthy ingredients that we used.

### **Parent Information Session**

The school will be hosting two parent information sessions on Wednesday, 21 February in the classroom. The first session will be for Kindergarten parents at 3:30pm and the second will be for year 1-4 students at 3:45pm. We look forward to seeing as many parents as possible.

### **Free G rated DVDs**

We have quite a few G rated movies which Fiona Farren left behind. We will have them on display at the parent information session for those who are interested.

### **Teaching**

I will be teaching the Year 1-4 students Science, Sport, History and STEM on Tuesdays and Fridays from 1:30-3:15pm. This term, we are focussing on Physical Science in our Science and STEM lessons, fundamental movement skills in Sport and past, present and future for the year 1 and 2 students and First Contacts for the year 4 students in History.

I have an open-door policy so please feel free to drop in and have a chat.

Kind regards

Aleks Mutavdzic (Mu-tav-jich)

**Principal**









## Attendance



**92.3%**

Super attendance rate! Well done everyone.



## From the Classroom



Welcome to Term 1 2024 and a special welcome to our three new students, Levi, Eva and Brynn - we are all very excited to have you join our wonderful little school and we are sure you will love your time here as much as we do.

The first two weeks are always spent practising new routines as well as lots of revision to get us back into the swing of learning and school expectations.

Our kindergarten children have been having a fantastic time exploring our school and making new friends.

Our Year Ones and Twos have settled quickly into the 'big kids' room and are doing an amazing job with new expectations placed upon them.

Our Year Four students have had a brilliant start to the year and I'm sure they enjoy being the 'Senior Kids' now.

With this hot weather, we do make accommodations to ensure our children are safe and comfortable and they have enjoyed extra water play, indoor recess and lunch, and extra brain breaks to ensure they're not feeling overloaded or overwhelmed.

Please contact me if you would like to discuss any concerns or queries regarding your child and we can arrange a time to have a chat.

Mrs Kaylene Head

Teacher







## School News





1 - **Lost and found** - We have two items that have been left in the office since term 4 of last year. If these are yours, please contact the school.



2 - Book Club orders are now open through the LOOP<sup>1</sup> app.

<sup>1</sup><https://mybookclubs.scholastic.com.au/parent/login.aspx>

# Working With Children Check Changes



Department of Education  
GOVERNMENT OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

Shaping the future

## Checks for child volunteers in schools

We are grateful for and value our volunteers – here's how you can help keep kids safe when you're doing unpaid work at a school.

Before you volunteer at a school, we will ask you to **complete a Parent and child volunteer declaration form**. You will be asked to complete the form annually if you want to continue volunteering. Child volunteers are volunteers under 18 years of age.

 <p><b>You are volunteering</b></p>	<p><b>When you:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• complete an unpaid practicum or work placement as part of your educational or vocational course of study</li><li>• coach or umpire sports</li><li>• mentor students</li><li>• help out in a classroom.</li></ul>
 <p><b>You are not volunteering</b></p>	<p><b>When you:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• are enrolled at a school and doing unpaid child-related work with other children at the same school.</li><li>• watch an event, like an assembly or sports carnival.</li></ul>
 <p><b>You cannot volunteer</b></p>	<p><b>When you:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• have a current Interim Negative Notice or Negative Notice.</li><li>• have submitted the form and are issued an Interim Negative Notice or Negative Notice – you must alert the principal.</li></ul>
<p><b>In addition to the declaration form, you need a Working with Children (WWC) Check</b></p>	
 <p><b>You need a WWC Check</b></p>	<p><b>When you:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• do any paid child-related work at a school</li><li>• volunteer after you turn 18 years of age.</li></ul>





If you are not sure if you need a WWC Check or to complete the Parent and child volunteer declaration form, please speak with the school office staff.



## Checks for parent volunteers in schools

We are grateful for and value our parent volunteers – here's how you can help keep our children safe when doing unpaid work at your child's school.

Before you volunteer at your child's school, you need to **complete a Parent and child volunteer declaration form**. You will be asked to complete the form annually if you want to continue volunteering.

 <p><b>You are volunteering</b></p>	<p><b>When you:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• help out in a classroom or attend a day excursion</li><li>• present an award or speak at an assembly</li><li>• are on canteen duty or helping in the uniform shop</li><li>• assist at a sports carnival</li><li>• conduct P&amp;C duties.</li></ul>
 <p><b>You are not volunteering</b></p>	<p><b>When you:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• pick up and drop off your child</li><li>• watch an event, like an assembly or sports carnival</li><li>• attend a parent and teacher interview</li><li>• visit the uniform shop.</li></ul>
 <p><b>You cannot volunteer</b></p>	<p><b>When you:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• have a current Interim Negative Notice or Negative Notice</li><li>• have submitted the form and are issued an Interim Negative Notice or Negative Notice – you must alert the principal.</li></ul>
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 <p><b>You need a WWC Check</b></p>	<p><b>When you:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• volunteer for an overnight camp</li><li>• billet students in your home</li><li>• provide one-on-one mentoring to a student.</li></ul>

**A current WWC Check is required by all other family members and friends (over 18 years of age) who want to volunteer.**

If you are not sure if you need a WWC Check or to complete the Parent and child volunteer declaration form, please speak with the school office staff.



## Woodanilling Primary School Council



Council confirmed the School Development Days for 2024:

### **Term 1**

Monday 29th January

Tuesday 30th January

### **Term 2**

Friday 26th April

### **Term 3**

Friday 16th August

### **Term 4**

Friday 25th October

### **Members**

Michelle Williamson - Principal

Bindi Murray - Parent/Council Chair

Kaylene Head - Staff

Sonja Hannan - Staff

Claire Marsden - Staff

Brooke Moulden - Parent

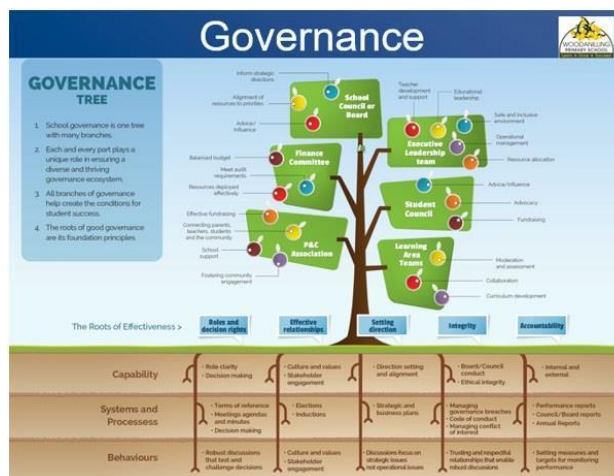
Danielle Perrie - Parent/Pending NCCHC

Damien Stephens - Parent/Pending NCCHC

Lesley Trimming - Community

Tracey Kippin - Community

Gradyn Wilcox - Community/Pending NCCHC



Woodanilling P&C



Woodanilling Primary School P&C Association

## WHAT WE DO

A snap shot of our role within the school.

### Fundraise

Raise funds to enhance school resources & facilities. Including but not limited to subsidising programs & excursions plus supporting positive opportunities to benefit the students.

### Represent

Represent parents & community interests while facilitating effective communication for the school community. This includes nurturing a culture of kindness, respect, inclusivity & compassion.

### Engage

Foster community participation in the school which provides opportunities for engagement, collaboration & communication between parents, school, staff, students & other community members.

### Provide

Provide a quality, affordable, practical & friendly uniform shop service. Proudly displaying the schools logo LEARN. GROW. SUCCEED.

## CONTAINERS FOR CHANGE

The P&C is now registered for the Containers for Change program. Containers for Change is a recycling program which rewards the collection of eligible containers with a refund of 10c per item. Items can be collected and delivered to a refund point in Katanning or Wagin, at which you can nominate the P&C as your donation recipient using our Scheme ID: C10326397

**DONATE YOUR 10c CONTAINERS TO**

Name: Woodanilling P&C

Member Number: C10326397



## School Nurse



### Screen time and digital technology use: part of a healthy lifestyle

Screen time and digital technology use are normal parts of life for most children and teenagers. The time your child spends watching TV and using computers, gaming consoles, smart toys, tablets and smartphones can be part of a healthy lifestyle.

It's all about **making sure of these key things:**

- Children enjoy plenty of healthy, fun activities, both with and without screens, including physical activity<sup>2</sup>, reading<sup>3</sup>, creative play<sup>4</sup> and social time with family and friends<sup>5</sup>.
- When children do use screens, they watch or use quality content.

And **don't forget sleep!** A healthy, balanced lifestyle for children includes enough good-quality sleep.

### Checklist for a healthy approach to screen time and digital technology use

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<sup>2</sup><https://raisingchildren.net.au/guides/first-1000-days/play/physical-activity-how-much>

<sup>3</sup><https://raisingchildren.net.au/guides/first-1000-days/play/reading-storytelling>

<sup>4</sup><https://raisingchildren.net.au/school-age/play-media-technology/play-school-age-development/imagining-play-school-children>

<sup>5</sup><https://raisingchildren.net.au/school-age/connecting-communicating/connecting/enjoying-time>

These questions can help you check whether your child is using screens and digital technology in a balanced and healthy way.

Is your child:

- sleeping enough?
- physically healthy?
- mentally and emotionally healthy?
- engaged with school?
- connecting socially with family and friends, online and offline?
- enjoying a variety of hobbies and interests?
- doing physical activity every day?
- having fun and learning while using screens?
- using quality content?

If you **answer yes to most or all of these questions**, your child is probably using digital technology in a balanced way as part of a healthy lifestyle. Screen time: Checklist for healthy use<sup>6</sup>

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<sup>6</sup><https://raisingchildren.net.au/pre-teens/entertainment-technology/screen-time-healthy-screen-use/screen-time>

Community News





#### Carer Social Support Groups

### Katanning

Taking a regular break and having a supportive social network improves wellbeing, is an opportunity to rest and recharge, and helps unpaid family carers to be in the best position to sustain their caring role.

Linking Together Social Support groups allow members to catch up and meet other carers in their local community. Coordinated by experienced volunteers, groups run monthly throughout the metro area and some regional areas.

Attendance is free and eligible to all carers, however carers are required to be registered with Carers WA.



**When:** 3rd Wednesday of each month | 10.00am – 11.30am

**Where:** Daily Grind

For more information, visit [www.carerswa.asn.au/social-support](http://www.carerswa.asn.au/social-support) or contact the Carers WA Social Support team on 1300 227 377 or email [socialsupport@carerswa.asn.au](mailto:socialsupport@carerswa.asn.au).

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2024



# JUNIOR DEVELOPMENT SQUAD TRIALS AND HUB DAYS



14TH, 21ST & 28TH FEB



4:00PM -6:00PM



KATANNING LEISURE CENTRE



2024 Katanning Netball Association Development Squad Trials and Hub Days

Registrations are open for players born in 2004 - 2012 that wish to play in KNA representative carnivals. All players are welcome to attend these sessions to develop their netball skills and trial to be selected in the KNA Development Squads.

All participants need to register via the QR CODE or follow the below link. Please register BEFORE Sunday 10th February.

<https://forms.office.com/r/S9K2CftrdG>

PLEASE CONTACT KELLY HOLZKNECHT AT KATANNINGNADEVELOPMENT@GMAIL.COM IF YOU HAVE ANY QUERIES.



Saver Plus supports people to develop life-long savings habits. It's been running for over 20 years and more than 58,000 Australians have participated. It's delivered by Brotherhood of St. Laurence, The Smith Family and Berry Street. It's funded by ANZ and Department of Social Services.



To be eligible for Saver Plus, people need to meet these requirements:

- Be 18 years or older
- Have a current Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card
- Have a child in school, starting school next year, or be studying yourself
- Get a regular income (can be you or your partner)
- Agree to join in free online financial education workshops

[saverplus.org.au](http://saverplus.org.au)



## Contact Us



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