



Woombye Whispers



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TERM 1	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK 7	10 th March 2025	11 th March 2025	12 th March 2025 <i>P&C AGM and General Meeting NAPLAN Testing</i>	13 th March 2025 <i>Yr 3 to Yr 6 Parade - 2:30pm NAPLAN Testing</i>	14 th March 2025 <i>Prep to Yr 2 Parade - 8:50am NAPLAN Testing</i>
WEEK 8	17 th March 2025 <i>NAPLAN Testing</i>	18 th March 2025 <i>NAPLAN Testing</i>	19 th March 2025 <i>NAPLAN Testing</i>	20 th March 2025 <i>NAPLAN Testing Yr 3 to Yr 6 Parade - 2:30pm</i>	21 st March 2025 <i>NAPLAN Testing "Colour Fun Run" - 1:45pm Prep to Yr 2 Parade - 8:50am</i>

Thought of the Day:- "Wherever you go, no matter the weather, always bring your own sunshine." - Anthony J D'Angelo

Principal's Patch

Last week, many of our Year 6 students attended the Tallebudgera Outdoor & Environmental Education Centre where they enjoyed an amazing camp, participating in the 'Hero's Journey'.



The Tallebudgera Outdoor & Environmental Education Centre Year 6 Hero's Journey Camp is a unique, immersive learning experience for the students, combining outdoor education with

the development of personal growth and life skills. The camp is designed to engage Year 6 students in a transformative adventure where they participate in various activities, challenges, and team-building exercises. Through these activities, students explore themes of resilience, teamwork, personal reflection, and growth to determine what type of hero they are or



aspire to be. The students have four to aspire to: The Mastermind Hero (problem solvers, innovative and make discoveries), the Guardian Hero (being organised, make up rules, being safe and secure in a group), the Champion Hero (see possibilities, make

a difference, stand up for people's rights), and the Warrior Hero (physically active, take risks and jump in quickly, and make deals and outwit others).

The Tallebudgera Hero's Journey Camp started with the "Call to Adventure" as our students arrived at the centre, excited yet unsure about what lay ahead. Throughout the camp, students faced a variety of physical, mental, and emotional challenges, all designed to help them develop critical life skills. These challenges included teamwork-based activities such as the "rock climbing wall," "kayaking," and an "escape room" as well as more introspective tasks like journal writing and reflective group discussions. The trials the students faced are not just physical; they are designed to help students explore their strengths and weaknesses, as



well as develop key life skills like problem-solving, communication, and resilience. Each activity undertaken by the students helped them discover more about themselves and which type of hero they align to best of all.

One of the most important aspects of the camp was the focus on teamwork. Many of the activities required students to collaborate, solve problems together, and support each other in ways they may not have done before. For example, during the "team initiative" challenges, students worked together to complete tasks that require coordination, trust, and shared decision-making.

Another key element of the camp's experience was the emphasis on personal reflection. Students are encouraged to journal and discuss their feelings, experiences, and growth. These reflective moments provided an opportunity for students to process their journey, recognize their strengths and achievements, and identify areas for future growth.

Other activities undertaken by the students included boogie board surfing, challenging mental tasks, exploring and learning about the First Nations' history of the area, and exploring how the natural habitat in the area has been preserved through the dedication and



perseverance of one person, David Fleay.

On day five, the journey is completed as the students discover which hero they are most like. It was an exciting time for the teachers who attended the camp to watch each student grow and develop skills and attributes that will be with them for the rest of their lives.

A huge thank you to Mrs Miriam McMahon and Mr Neil Hamilton for organising this

year's camp as well as Ms Amy Wills and Mrs Tracey Webb for attending the camp and assisting with the supervision of the students.



A huge CONGRATULATIONS to our students for their excellent behaviour and awesome advertisement for Woombye State School. Throughout the week, our teachers constantly received great feedback from the Camp staff as well as other businesses which we visited regarding the student behaviour, high quality manners, as well as the team spirit of always helping and looking out for each other. Well done students, you did

Woombye proud!!!

Paul







Tina's Business

Dear Parents,

Before I reflect on the great things that have been happening in our school since the last newsletter. I wanted to take the time to acknowledge the additional stress and worry our students have been under with Tropical Cyclone Alfred. Please keep safe and take care of each other as a priority.

Before and After School

I was surprised to see students at school when I arrived last week before 6:50am. This was a concern because there was an unknown car and person also within the school grounds at this time. When I approached the person, they had a strange excuse for being here before quickly getting back in their car and driving away.

Please be aware staffing prior to 8:30am and after 3:30pm is limited. Parents are encouraged to access Before and After School Care should in the event students are required to be at school before 8:30am and after 3:30pm.



Afternoon Messages



Please be aware that office staff will do their very best to try to get messages through to classrooms in the afternoons but this is not always possible. A great strategy I have seen used to assist students with knowing is to use coloured key tags with "Bus", "Front Gate", "Back Gate", or "Walk" this will greatly help

students and reduce learning interruptions.

Learning Moderation

Last Tuesday classroom teachers worked together to moderate student learning over the term. This is an opportunity for teachers to check in with each other to ensure the intended curriculum is the enacted curriculum. Student work samples are shared and judged against set learning criteria. Conversations between staff are rigorous as they align the learning that has been produced by students with the Australian Curriculum. Feedback is then provided to the student to assist them with knowing how to improve their assessment piece.

PBL

As part of our Positive Behaviour for Learning we have been focusing on "Keep it cool that's the rule. Hands and feet to yourself at school". We



strongly believe everyone has the right to come to school and be safe, in the classroom, around the schools and in our playgrounds.

Unfortunately, there seems to be a significant increase in the number of students who have been hurt by other students in our playgrounds. Some of these incidents have been accidental, however, too many of late have been an overreaction/frustration to a situation in the playground.

Could parents please speak with your child/ren about strategies (say stop, walk away, get an adult) they can do when they are feeling angry, frustrated, annoyed. Please remind them it is never, and will never be ok for one student to hurt another student.

I hope everyone is able to stay safe during this weather event and as always please reach out if you need any support or assistance.



Take care,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tina".

Prep Enrolments 2026: - Some families are so well organised that they already have the enrolment forms completed (15 already) and handed in for their child starting Prep next year at Woombye State School. Our Prep enrolments are capped at 75 students and families living in the school catchment zone are guaranteed a position. However, families living outside our school catchment will be guaranteed a position in Prep for 2026 if the enrolment paperwork has been completed, returned and entered on our system by the end of June 2025.



Mobile Phones At School:- Students are not permitted to have mobile telephones in their possession during school time. Mobile telephones must be signed in at the office once they arrive at school for safe keeping and collected at the end of the school day. This includes 'Smart Watches' with phone capabilities. Watches with phone capabilities must be signed in at the office at the start of the day or have the phone capability disabled during the day.



Calendar of Events - 2025

Below is a list of events throughout the year. This list will be added to when new events are known.

Wednesday 12th March:- P&C AGM at 6:00pm

Wednesday 12th March to Friday 21st March:- NAPLAN Testing for Yr 3 & Yr 5

Friday 21st March:- Colour Fun Run!!!

Friday 28th March:- Year 5 Council Presentation - Invasive species

Friday 4th April:- Last day of Term One

Tuesday 22nd April:- School resumes for Term 2.

Friday 25th April:- ANZAC Day Holiday

Friday 9th May:- School Photos

Monday 6th May:- Public Holiday

Monday 19th May to Wednesday 21st May:- Year 5 Camp

Monday 19th May to Thursday 22nd May:- "Book Fair"

Tuesday 20th May:- "Under 8's Day"

Wednesday 21st May:- National Simultaneous Story Time

Monday 2nd June to Wednesday 4th June:- Year 3 Science Extravaganza Incursion

Tuesday 24th June:- Year 5 UniSC Excursion

Friday 27th June:- Last Day of Term 2

Monday 14th July:- Term 3 begins

Tuesday 22nd July to Wednesday 23rd July:- Year 5 Science Incursion

Monday 18th August to Friday 22nd August:- Book Week

Friday 22nd August:- Book Week Dress Up Parade

Friday 5th September:- No School - Pupil Free Day

Friday 19th September:- Last day of Term 3

Tuesday 7th October:- First day of Term 4

Friday 14th November:- Year 6 Surf Skills

Friday 21st November:- Year 6 Surf Skills

Friday 28th November:- Year 6 Surf Skills

Friday 5th December:- Year 6 Surf Skills

Thursday 11th December:- Break-up Day

Friday 12th December:- Last Day of School



Woombye State School Private Therapists/NDIS Guidelines for Term 1 2025:-

Applications can be made for appointments at the school for Private Therapists as per the NDIS Guidelines. These applications can only be made by contacting the School Admin Team at admin@woombyess.qld.gov.au. The appropriate application forms will then be forwarded to you to complete and return. We now have meeting rooms in our new N Block which provides us with a lot more flexibility for bookings.

District Sports Trial Dates:- All ten, eleven and twelve year old students are invited to attend the following Nambour District Sports Trials if they have experience and talent in these disciplines. All students attending must see Mr Tom Brereton first to confirm dates of trials and eligibility.



NAMBOUR DISTRICT SCHOOL SPORT 2025 DISTRICT 10 -12 YEARS TRIAL CALENDAR

WEEK	SPORT	YEAR BORN	GENDER	NDSS TRIAL DATE	VENUE	SC REGIONAL TRIAL DATE & VENUE	STATE DATES & VENUE
❖ TERM 1 2025							
WEEK 7 10 – 14 March	Rugby League 10-11 Years	2014/15	Boys & Girls	Monday 10 March	Bli Bli State School	29 & 30 April Redcliffe	05 - 09 July Brendale
	Rugby League 11-12 Years	2013/14	Boys	Wednesday 12 March	Bli Bli State School	29 & 30 April Redcliffe	26 June – 01 July Mt Isa
	Touch 10-12 Years	2013/14/15	Boys	Friday 14 March	Bli Bli State School	22 – 23 May Glasshouse	14 – 17 August Roma
	Touch 10-12 Years	2013/14/15	Girls	Friday 14 March	Bli Bli State School	22 – 23 May Glasshouse	14 – 17 August Roma
WEEK 8 17 – 21 March NAPLAN 17 – 21 MARCH	Football 10-12 Years	2013/14/15	Boys	Wednesday 19 March <i>Schools A-M</i>	Nambour State College	08 & 09 May Maroochydore	31 Jul – 03 Aug Tingalpa
	Football 10-12 Years	2013/14/15	Boys	Thursday 20 March <i>Schools N-Z</i>	Nambour State College	08 & 09 May Maroochydore	31 Jul – 03 Aug Tingalpa
	Football 10 – 12 Years	2013/14/15	Girls	Thursday 20 March	Woombye State School	08 & 09 May Maroochydore	31 Jul – 03 Aug Tingalpa
WEEK 9 24-28 March NAPLAN 24 MARCH	NAPLAN						
WEEK 10 31 March	Softball 10-12 Years	2013/14/15	Boys	Monday 31 March	Buderim Mountain SS	20 – 21 May Redcliffe	21 – 24 August Ipswich

	Softball 10-12 Years	2013/14/15	Girls	Tuesday 1 April	Yandina State School	20 – 21 May Redcliffe	21 – 24 August Ipswich
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❖ TERM 2

WEEK	SPORT	YEAR BORN	GENDER	NAMBOUR DISTRICT TRIAL DATE	VENUE	SC REGIONAL TRIAL DATE & VENUE	STATE DATES & VENUE
WEEK 1 21 – 25 April 21 & 25 PH	Rugby Union 11-12 Years	2013/14	Boys & Girls	Wed 23 April	Good Samaritan Catholic College	13 & 14 May Caloundra	24 - 27 July Banyo
WEEK 2 28 Apr – 2 May	Cross Country 10-12 Years	2013/14/15	Boys & Girls	Friday 2 May	Bli Bli SS	3 June Noosaville	18-20 July Bald Hills
WEEK 3 5- 9 May Monday PH	Tennis 10-12 Years	2013/14/15	Boys & Girls	Tuesday 6 May	Nambour Tennis Centre	11 June Caloundra	14 – 17 August Cairns
WEEK 4 12 – 16 May							
WEEK 5 19 – 23 May	Rugby League 11-12 Years	2013/14	Girls	Wednesday 21 May	Bli Bli SS	20 June Wises Road	15 – 18 September Townsville
WEEK 6 26 – 30 May	Cricket 10-12 Years	2013/14/15	Boys	Thursday 29 May	Woombye State School	22 – 23 July Caloundra	15 – 19 Sept Bundaberg

❖ TERM 3

WEEK	SPORT	YEAR BORN	GENDER	NAMBOUR DISTRICT TRIAL DATE	VENUE	SC REGIONAL TRIAL DATE & VENUE	STATE DATES & VENUE
WEEK 1 14 – 18 July							
WEEK 2 21 – 25 July	All Schools Oztag	Year 5 & 6	Boys & Girls	Fri 25, Sat 26 & Sun 27 th July	Sunshine Coast Stadium	Nil	Nil
WEEK 3 28 July – 1 August							

WEEK 4 4 - 8 August							
WEEK 5 11 - 15 August	1500m	2013/14/15	Boys & Girls	Tuesday 12 August	USC	27 & 28 Aug USC	13 - 15 Oct Townsville
	Track & Field 10-12 Years	2013/14/15	Boys & Girls	Wednesday 13 August	USC	27 & 28 Aug USC	13 - 15 Oct Townsville
WEEK 6 18 - 22 August							
WEEK 7 25 - 29 August	Netball	2013/14/15	Boys & Girls	Lightning Cup	SC Netball Ass Fishermans Rd	29 August TBC	



STUDENT of the Week

Term One, Week 5

Year	Name	Awarded For
PYA	Finn P	For being a kind friend who helps all. Thanks for being such a good role model for your friends!
PYB	Jaxon R	For being an excellent role model for positive behaviour, always showing kindness and consideration, and for always being eager to learn. Keep up the great work, Jaxon!
1A	Alexia P	For being such an engaged, happy student, who shows a positive keen manner in the classroom. Keep it up Alexia. I am so proud of you.
1B	Hunter B	Consistently demonstrating expected behaviour and trying his best in all tasks. Well done Hunter. Mrs Browning is very proud of you.
2A	Macey G	What an amazing start to the year Macey, we value your contributions to the class discussions and your kind heart. Thank you!
2B	Stella W	Always being a kind and considerate member of our class.
1/2	Isla M	Outstanding classwork.
3A	Elke S	For using the leaning wall to extend your vocabulary when working on your book review and for being a patient, tolerant and considerate student in 3 Triple A. Elke when attending to your writing, you independently use the learning wall to find interesting words to add more detail for the reader. You attend to your work with focus, care and resilience and are able to block out and ignore background noise. Finally, thank you Elke for always demonstrating what patience, consideration for others and tolerance looks like in our room. Everyday your contribution to helping our class run more smoothly is shown through these qualities. It is greatly appreciated. Keep doing your best Elke.
3B	Frankie J	For consistently being a hard-working, kind, thoughtful and focused student. You are a role model and set a very high standard for our class. Congratulations.
3/4C	Milla C	for always taking on teacher feedback to improve her work. Milla you are such a hard working student and you always try your best at all you do. Keep up the amazing effort!
4A	Emelia K	For applying yourself whole heartedly to your learning and embarrassing the Woombye way. Congratulations! A fantastic start to the year.
4B	Whole Class	For adjusting well to changes this week without Mrs Webb, being helpful to Mrs Bazley and working hard to follow her instructions.
5A	Emily B Zake L	For always working diligently to improve their skills and understanding of every task.
5B	Eayah H	For being a kind and caring member of 5B who always tries her best.
5/6	Tyler B	For writing a detailed paragraph and including supporting evidence to make your opinion clear and convincing.
6A	Students attending Camp.	
6B		

SCHOOL VISION: -

"At Woombye State School diversity is accepted and respected. We aim to engage all students in our care in a supportive and inclusive learning community that recognises individual needs and potential, empowering them to become lifelong learners".

Student Collection after 3:30pm

Students not collected from school by 3:30pm will be sent to the office where they will be safely supervised until a parent/guardian arrives.

***STUDENTS WILL NEED TO BE COLLECTED FROM
THE OFFICE AFTER 3.30PM***

STUDENT ABSENCES

Notify by.....

Text
QParents
Hotline
Email

Is your child **ABSENT / LATE** for school today?

- Text: SMS4Schools **0429 075 369**
i.e. TEXT:- Sick or Appointment or Family Reasons or Holiday
- Enter: **Qparents** Portal
- Ring: absence hotline **5451 3260.**
- Email: absences@woombyess.eq.edu.au.
- Send: a note to admin.



All **CURRENT & FUTURE**
absences can be entered
at any time using the
QPARENTS PORTAL

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Woombye State School's Preferred payment methods

QParents



BPoint www.bpoint.com.au/payments/dete


EFT Account name: Woombye State School
BSB: 064-424 ACCOUNT No. 00090538
(Please use student's EQ Id number on the invoice as reference)

Internet Payment via BPoint Web Link

- Enter the CRN provided on the school invoice
- Enter the Invoice Number
- Enter the Student Name
- Enter amount and select Visa or Master Card
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We're on the search for new interns

About Project SEARCH

Project SEARCH is an immersive work-based internship program for young people with disabilities. It allows them to expand their experience and develop their skills while increasing their confidence and self-esteem in a supportive, tailored, structured real-world environment.

How it works

Over 12 months, interns complete three 11-week internships, gaining experience in different departments and acquiring diverse, marketable job skills. Interns attend the workplace 5 days a week (Monday - Friday) for 6 hours a day, actively engaging in all aspects of the team and work environment, receiving coaching, feedback and ongoing support at every stage.

Who can apply?

Project SEARCH is open to young adults aged 17 – 28 years, with NDIS funding.

We are currently looking for interns at:

- The Wesley Hospital
- St Andrew's War Memorial Hospital
- UnitingCare Head Office
- Buderim Private Hospital

Do you know someone we're searching for?

To find out more, or submit an application go to:



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unitingcareqld.com.au/projectsearch