



WHARMINDA PRIMARY SCHOOL

‘It takes a community to educate a child’

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Term 3

Week 6

FAMILY NAME

2008

DIARY DATES

SEPTEMBER

Mon 1st

Numeracy Activity Day

@ Ungarra

Tue 9th

*Wharminda School Working Bee

*Pooled Lunch

*Governing Council @ 1.30pm

Fri 12th

Pupil Free Day

Staff T&D training

Tue 16th

Extreme Sports Seminar

@ Pt Neill

Thu 18th & Fri 19th

Swimming Camp @ Pt Lincoln

Tue 23rd

Tabloid Sports Day @ Ungarra

Wed 24th

'Shekere Beats' visit to Cleve

Fri 26th

Term 3 ends

Casual Clothes

Early Dismissal 2.30pm

OTHER NOTES/INFO



**Book Club due
Tuesday 2nd
September**

**PUPIL FREE DAY
Fri 12th September**
Staff training in
Port Lincoln

School life at Wharminda primary continues to be varied and positive.

A whole school focus that we have been working on is team work and our group dynamics. We start each school day with a team challenge that requires us to focus on our group skills ie communication, cooperation, I including others etc. This has sparked much discussion amongst the students as they try to break their own Wharminda World records!! Please take the time to talk to your children about the tasks that have been attempted. Maybe you could even offer some performance tips.

Another friendly reminder is the working bee and Governing Council meeting coming up on the 9th Sep. The list of jobs has not increased too much, which is good news, but there are some items on the list that will make a big difference to our school environment. We hope to see as many of you there as possible.

I would also like to ask families to consider being available for our upcoming swimming camp. As a staff we are working on a program that will provide some different opportunities for the school community.

Do you know about some of the fantastic learning that is happening at Wharminda? If not here are some things to discuss with your child:

Last Thursday Wharminda Primary hosted year 7 students from Cleve and Port Neill. Mandy led the activities which gave our students some great opportunities to interact with the kids from neighbouring schools. Getting to know you games, street hockey and some brain teasers were all the go. Many thanks for this Mandy. From my observations in the morning the kids enjoyed the different learning and chance to connect.

Resource based learning has been a focus in the lower primary class as students work within the topic of China. Rumour has it that the class is planning to set up a Chinese restaurant later in the term. This excitement has kept the kids buzzing and connected with their learning. Well done Lou.

A busy couple of weeks ahead. Please keep the important dates posted on the fridge.

Regards
Craig

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125
Nights
Reading



Amy



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Tabloid Sports Day

Where: Ungarra Sporting Complex



Mark this date on your calendar.



More information coming soon!

Tuesday 23rd September

PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE

Just a reminder that the challenge concludes on September 5th. Please encourage your child to complete this so they can receive their medals.

This challenge is for the whole school and we would really like all of our students to complete it.



Swimming Camp

Reminder

Please return your swimming camp notes to school as soon as possible so that final arrangements can be made.

TRANSITION DAY

A fabulous day was had by all at the year 7 transition day that we hosted last Thursday.

Approximately 20 kids came from Cleve and a couple from Port Neill. We started the day with some 'get to know you games' followed by some logical thinking problem solving in groups. Students got to work together and enjoyed mixing with people they didn't normally work with.

We then had recess and it was great to see our school yard so full again, mind you there was plenty of room for more! I think the Cleve students enjoyed having access to sports equipment, more than they could play with.

After recess, we did some sculpting with all the newspaper we have collected over the Olympics. They needed to create something which represented themselves, and then collate it all as a group to represent their group. There were some interesting ideas that evolved. The highlight of the day however was the street hockey.



The students were split into 2 teams, as even as we could, and then it was all on. Basically the only rule was to not swing the stick higher than their knees. After a few kids were subbed off for doing just that, it didn't take them long to learn that we were serious. The game was fantastic and all the kids had a great time.

At times we needed to dodge the rain, so we ended up in the table tennis shed playing that, but always returned to the hockey as soon as it got to a sprinkle. The kids loved it so much they asked me to umpire again at lunch, which I did.

I had a few bits planned for after lunch, which we did a little of, but ended up back out playing street hockey as I wanted to end the day on a good note.

We all had a great time and it was good for our year 7's to get to know their future class mates a little better.

Thanks for Cleve and Port Neill kids for coming out to share the day, although the roads were treacherous,

Mandy Nield
Upper Primary Teacher



Port Neill Bay to Bay Walk / Run-athon

12 Kilometre starts at Cowley's Beach
5 Kilometre starts at Carrow Wells
Finish is at the Green Shed for a shared lunch

When: Sunday 21st September
Time: 12 Kilometre walk—10am
12 Kilometre run—10:30am
5 Kilometre walk / run 11am



Cost: \$2 (with all proceeds to be passed to the Burma Relief Fund)

Categories: Open Male / Female 5 Km
Open Male / Female 12 Km
U/15 Male / Female 5 Km
Over 50's
U/15 Male / Female 12km



Everyone welcome to participate. Don't forget to get training and prepare for the event. To register please contact Lou McDonough on 8688 9290 before the 20th September. Be at the start 15 minutes before your start time.

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Church at Verran will be at
9am for the weekend of
Ross's last service,
September 14th, due to the
Rudall Sports Club breakup
starting at 11am.

Working Bee List

TUESDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER AT 9.00AM



- Paint tables
- Repair bench
- Repair Cubby
- Trim lawn edges
- Reclaim path to toilet block
- Cover library books
- Cleaning up of paint pots
- Clean Gutters—remove tennis balls



- Rake out and clean up sand pit area under cubby
- Sort out books in library and put back into order
- Science shed gutters
- Clean up around trees in readiness for snake season

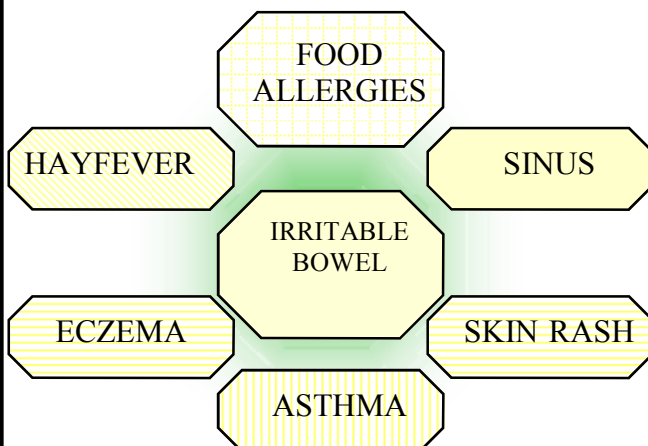
SHARED LUNCH

SEMINAR

Nutritional Treatment of Allergies

Presenter Troy Heymann N.D.
Nutritionalist of VitaForce Clinic

Learn how to detect the causes of ALLERGIES and how to effectively treat them with diet and nutrition



WHERE ; Hilton Motel 13 King RD Port Lincoln
WHEN Monday 1st September 7pm for 7.15 start
COST ; \$10
CONTACT ; Tracey Crosby to confirm a place on 86204046

Dental Health Matters

During these last two weeks of Oral Health Month collect a free Colgate brochure from your local dental clinic. It explains the 4 steps to great teeth which, in turn, leads to good overall health. Brush, floss, rinse and visit the dentist. Eat a healthy, balanced diet and drink plenty of water for lots of energy.

