



SANCTUARY POINT PS

'Together We Succeed'

1st March—Term 1 Week 4 2018

WALAWAANI NJINDIWAAN (Welcome everyone)



PRINCIPAL REPORT

Dear Parents and Carers

As parents were informed yesterday, our past Principal Mr Jeff Ward passed away unexpectedly on Monday evening. This has been a very sad time for our whole school and the community we serve. Our thoughts are with Mr Ward's family during this difficult time.

Teachers and staff were informed and students have been advised of his death on Tuesday morning in an age appropriate way. Staff and students have and continue to received support with additional school counsellors and staff at the school. This support will also be available for the rest of this week and next week as required.

The school has been inundated with many parents, families and community members expressing their condolences regarding Mr Wards passing. A special area has been identified for those wishing to place any floral tributes or notes in recognition of Mr Ward. This area is located near the Aboriginal garden area 'Gudjahgah Undarnga Murun' which is inside the school grounds near the administration building.

The school is very aware of being sensitive to the wishes of the family during this extremely difficult time. As a school, we also recognise the need to provide an appropriate avenue for our students, parents, teachers and staff to recognise the significant contribution of Mr Ward. Currently the school is working towards an appropriate manner for this to occur. It is anticipated that further information will be sent home via a special note and updates on Facebook and Instagram on or after Wednesday 7th March.

SCHOOL CAMPS/SLEEPOVERS/PICNIC DAYS

Due to the unexpected nature of these circumstances, all activities, including camps, sleepovers and picnic days, that were scheduled to take place this week have been postponed to a date later in the term. Information regarding the changes will be sent home in the following weeks.

Belinda Doyle (Relieving Principal)

WORDS OF THE WEEK

Your peace is more important than driving yourself crazy trying to understand why something happened the way it did. Let it go.

Office News

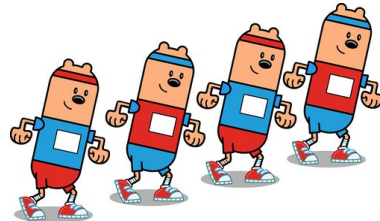
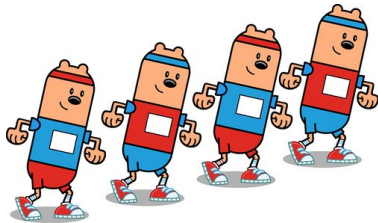
Dates to Remember

All camps postponed until further notice

6th	Primary Boys Basketball Trial	7th	Book Club Due
9th	District Netball	12th	Young Leaders Day

Sports Teams

Wattle-Bidhudhu	606
Geebung-Babadhal	629
Appleberry-Wandaama	579
Lilly Pilly-Galangara	522



Leisure Sports

Leisures sports **will be on** this Friday, so come to school with your gear.

Our school has a commitment to supporting our student's academically, socially and emotionally. We are proud to be a KidsMatter school and as part of this initiative all classes will be teaching the Bounce Back program. This term each class is focusing on core values.

Year 3 and 4 will focus on the understanding that a value is a belief about what you believe is important. Good values are like boomerangs and will come back to you if you use them. Most people will treat you well if you treat them well.

It is important to be honest and tell the truth as well as be fair to other people. This means following the rules and not cheating, returning favours and kindnesses, and helping others to get a fair deal. It is also important to cooperate and work together to achieve something that you both want. Everyone is different and that's okay. Show respect and treat others as you want them to treat you.

Ask your child what activities they've been doing in class to support our Bounce Back program.

