



SANCTUARY POINT PS

'Together We Succeed'

7th March—Term 1 Week 6, 2018

WALAWAANI NJINDIWAAN (Welcome everyone)

Doing things together Mr Ward's Fun Day



PRINCIPAL REPORT

WHAT I LOVED ABOUT THIS WEEK

This has most probably been one of the hardest weeks in my career as a teacher. But as a school we have been overwhelmed by the outpouring of love and support that has come from the whole community to support our students and staff through this difficult time. Wednesday marked the day that we held our assembly to celebrate and commemorate the amazing contributions that Mr Ward made to our school. All of the children enjoyed the afternoon of fun activities that teachers planned, there was lots of laughter. Just the way Mr Ward would have liked it. I have included a copy of the transcript of our assembly for parents who were unable to attend.

SPECIAL ASSEMBLY FOR MR WARD

Today we are acknowledging the enormous contribution that Mr Ward has made to our school and the community.

We are coming together as a mark of respect to say goodbye to our friend, colleague, and principal in a way that respects his wishes.

From the time Mr Ward arrived at our school eight years ago he has been a larger than life character, with a great sense of humour.

He was a very special person with an amazing vision for what our school could achieve; he came into our school and created a whole new culture.

He had a way of making everyone feel like they were important to him, he was always there to listen, support and help when you needed him, and he developed many friendships with people in our school community. He would often have past students coming to visit him at school, just because they knew he was someone who would be happy to see them and listen to them.

Mr Ward brought the fish philosophy into our school and created a school environment where kids wanted to come to school. So let's 'be there' for each other, 'make each other's day' in some small way, 'play' have fun and enjoy life, make the most of every day. In this way we know that we are honouring his memory.

He loved having fun with everyone around him, but mostly with the kids at our school. One of the things he loved to do most was walk into classrooms where all the students were working quietly and create mayhem, then leave, and the poor teacher was left to settle the class. He thought he was hilarious when he did this. And secretly so did we, not that we ever told him that.

In every decision Mr Ward made about our school he always put the kids first. He always wanted our kids to enjoy being at school and have fun with their learning. He was passionate about Public Education.

Mr Ward was an inspirational man who supported the dreams and ambitions of those around him, he was always there with ideas and opportunities to help people achieve their dreams. He inspired many children at our school to have aspirations and we all remember his famous quote "if your dreams don't scare you, they're not big enough".

And finally his love of all things Batman, He often said that the reason he liked batman so much, was because he was not a superhero but an ordinary man who used his own strengths and ability to help those in need.

Mr Ward's strength was his unwavering kindness and generosity. He was a caring friend and colleague, and a very knowledgeable mentor to many of our staff. He always valued our professionalism and treated us with respect.

For our school community we know that Mr Ward would want us to get back to our learning. So from tomorrow we will be back to normal school routines. All tributes of words and flowers around the school will be taken down this afternoon. The flowers will be mulched and spread over our school garden.

Mrs Ward and her family wanted me to convey to the whole community how overwhelmed and touched they are with all the messages of love and support they have received. And they are glad that we have respected their wishes in commemorating Mr Ward without a lot of fuss.

Thank you for attending our ceremony.

SCHOOL CAMPS/SLEEPOVERS/PICNIC DAYS

All school camps and sleepovers have been rescheduled to take place at the end of week 10 this term, just after the Easter long weekend. New notes will be sent home for parents to sign with the new dates for the camp/sleepover and picnic days including any additional information that you may need.

Belinda Doyle (Relieving Principal)

WORDS OF THE WEEK

Grief is like the ocean; it comes in waves ebbing and flowing. Sometimes the water is calm, and sometimes it is overwhelming. All we can do is learn to swim.



Office News

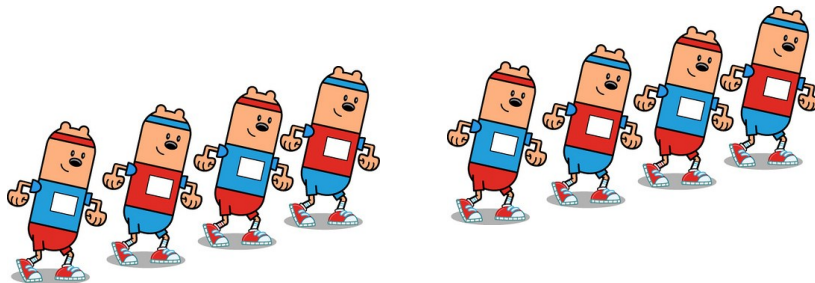
Dates to Remember

All camps postponed until further notice

7th	Book Club Due	9th	District Netball
12th	Young Leaders Day	14th	P&C Meeting
23rd	School Fair 3-7pm		

Sports Teams

Wattle-Bidhudhu	807
Geebung-Babadhal	875
Appleberry-Wandaama	775
Lilly Pilly-Galangara	711



Uniform Shop: The opening hours for the uniform shop are:
Wednesday 9am *until* 10am

Please note that the front office will only accept EFTPOS. We **do not** accept cash money for Uniform Shop transactions.



Blast Off

Bronze:

Buru:

Tylah Carr, Olivia Scheib, Tyson Holloway, Mia Wagner, Kallen Sharp, Brodie Petrunic.

Garungguba:

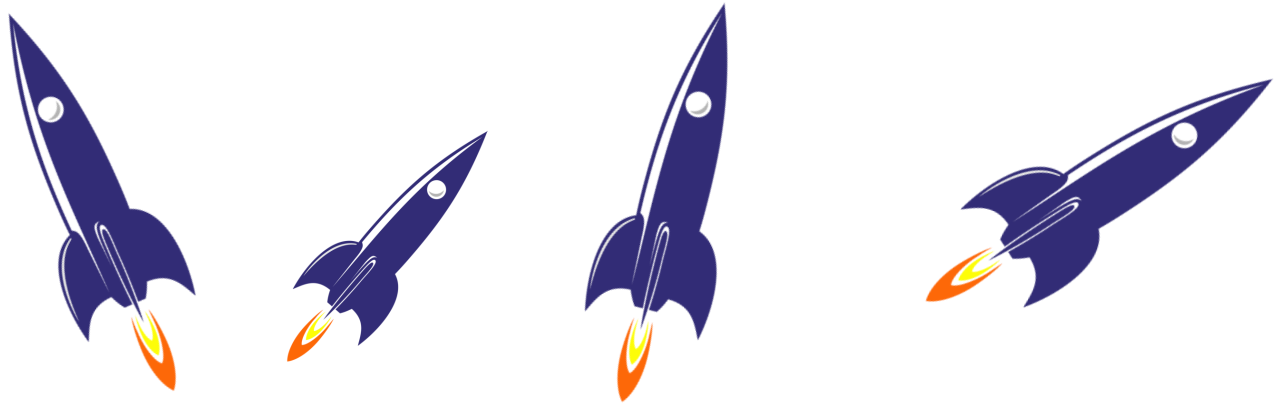
Oliver Driscoll, abbey Richardson, Chelsea Cox, Lilianne Mifsud, Monty Oates, Jazmin Waldmann.

Djungga:

Tahlia Tierney, abby Warren, Paige Higgins, Lacie Pillardth, Brooklyn Serret.

Dhuril:

BJ Klohs, Dakota Arnold-Solberg, Maddy Murton, Natalie Grey, Tiana Sewell, Tom Olesen.



More fun games the students played at
Mr Ward's fun day



Chopped For Charity

Lili-Cait is a year four student at Sanctuary Point Public School who has been growing her hair for nine years, only having it trimmed for the very first time in 2017.

Lili and her mother Suzie would spend hours each day brushing and braiding her beautiful hair until recently when Lili decided to donate her hair to charity.

Her luscious locks will be given to Hair With Heart to be made into a specialised wig for someone who has lost their hair due to a medical condition such as Alopecia or cancer. It's wonderful to see such a caring and thoughtful gesture demonstrated by a SPPS student. Way to go Lili!



Stage 2 Performance

On Tuesday 13th March, Stage 2 (Year 3 & 4) students will entertained and informed about the importance of taking care of the environment with a performance called *'Let's Chat Habitat'*.

The show will be performed in the school hall at 9:30 and will be of no cost.

Thanks

Derek Hauwert

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 5 and 6 will focus on understanding that having a set of personal values increases your self-esteem and self-respect. Personal values are easy to talk about but can be harder to act on. Nobody is perfect, but you can try to do what you believe is the right thing, even though you may not succeed. That is why it is important to be honest and fair to other people. Being fair means following the rules and not cheating, returning favours and kindnesses and applying the same rules to everyone. It is important to cooperate. Cooperating means working together to achieve something. It means sharing, listening, encouraging, everyone having a say and being fair with work and decisions. When you are cooperating with others, it is important to be respectful. Respecting other people means treating others the way you want them to treat you and learn that being respectful and having self-respect is a positive way to live.

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





★ Please join us
for ★

**Sanctuary Point
Public School**

Twilight Fair



Friday 23rd March

3pm-7pm

**Markets • Food Stalls • live Music • Face painting • Side Show Alley
• and much more •**



EASTER EGGS

Later this term the P&C will be holding a giant Easter Egg Raffle. We are asking for donations of Easter Eggs to help out with prizes. If you can send in an Easter Egg or two we would appreciate your support. The donated eggs can be left at the community liaison/family support office within the front office.

Raffle tickets for our Major Fair Raffle can also be collected from the front office or canteen.



Orcas Needs You

Sanctuary Point Public School students wanting to play U10s and U12s basketball on Friday afternoon are the core of the Orcas Basketball Club. At the moment, we need more players. Join AussieHoops and get skills, training and a game each week from 4:00pm. You can even use your Active Kids Rebate for this activity.

Perfect for ballers aged 8 to 11.

For full details call Shane on 0418 603 477 or visit us on the web - orcaskbasketball.weebly.com