

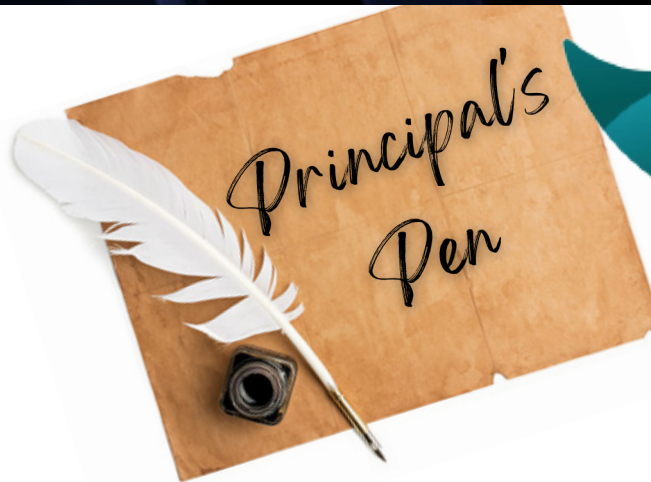


THE WAVE

TERM 1, ISSUE 1

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Welcome to the 2022 school year. A warm welcome to all of our new families, we hope you will be very happy as part of the wonderful Two Rocks Primary School family. Please remember that myself and Mrs Nolan, Mrs Pinches (for Term 1), Mrs Wagstaff and Ms Canning are available should you have any queries or need any assistance.

I would also like to welcome new staff members, Miss Cheverton (Reception), Ms Beale (Kindergarten), Ms Brown (Year 4), Ms Rooney (Pre-Primary), Ms Taylor (Year 4), Ms Thornton (Art Specialist) and Ms Yarwood (Year 1). We also are extremely happy to welcome back Mr Bridgeman (Year 5) Mrs Montes (Transition/Relief) and Mrs Regts (Kindergarten).

Our new Head Boy Dylan, Head Girl Adessa, Student Councillors, IT Leaders and Faction Captains have all settled into their various roles. Our testing schedule has commenced this week, which will enable us to have rigorous data on all of our students to ensure that lessons planned are appropriate. The 3rd and 4th March are school development days which is when the staff are all busy analysing the collected data in order to ensure that every students' pathway is tracked and appropriate programs are created for implementation.

PRINCIPAL'S PEN CONTINUED



The year has started extremely well with all students happily settled and working hard, student numbers are currently 433 students, K to 6. The classes have all commenced their programs which in some subjects requires access to the booklist books. Please therefore, ensure that you have paid for children's books to enable them to more easily access the content. If there is a financial hardship, please contact Mr Watkins to organise a payment plan.

Photos are now in week 9 and hopefully will still continue, however I am afraid that sibling photos will have to involve only enrolled students and will be organised by staff.

The Yearly planner is available on line or in the admin office. The extra curricula activities may, I am afraid, be subject to change as the impact of the pandemic takes effect.

All assemblies and meetings have been cancelled for Term 1 to ensure the safety of all of our students.

Unfortunately, the uncertainty of COVID has once again provided us with a new set of directions that we are now following, including mask wearing by adults and Year 3 to Year 6 students when inside.

We have ensured that we all stay in hubs to prevent the possible spread of the virus should it hit Two Rocks. Parents are welcome to come in the school to pick up and drop off children but cannot enter the classrooms. This unfortunately required us to cancel the scheduled parent meeting replacing them with a written outline of the class and school practices.

If, however, there are any issues or concerns please do not hesitate to contact by phone either myself, a member of the Admin team or your child's class teacher. We are all here to ensure that your children have the best education possible in a stress free environment where they feel safe and supported.

I would like to thank all our parents and caregivers for the support and assistance that you have given us. It is my hope that in a few weeks' time we will be through the worst and be able to once again continue virus free.

Yours sincerely,

Elizabeth Wildish



AROUND THE SCHOOL

BUSH TUCKER

We are so thrilled to be allowed to care for the Bush Tucker garden!!!

We have loved seeing the new additions to the garden such as the fantastic wooden animals on the fence, the Fairy Bridge and the lovely wooden seats made by Mr King.

We are enjoying learning about all the Bush Tucker plants such as Pig Face, Youlk and Finger Limes and how they can be used for both food and medicine.

We love hearing all about Aboriginal culture and are looking forward to learning more throughout the year.



MUSIC

Music has started again with a blast!

Look how cool our music room looks and the mind map at the back of the classroom that will grow throughout the year to reflect what all the children have learned.



CLASSROOM UPDATES

YEAR 6

We are all excited to be back at school wearing our new leavers shirts!

We have been doing role plays to demonstrate the five keys to success. Some of us are amazing actors and actresses.

We have familiarised our knowledge of safety in the kitchen and garden. In Science we are exploring tardigrades and adaptations in biomes.

Citizenship, governments and democracy is the highlight of HASS.



YEAR 5

What an amazing start we have had to Year 5!

We commenced the year by discussing and voting on our Classroom Rules and creating our Group Norms, establishing the expectations for collaborate learning. We were super excited to receive letters from our pen pals all the way from Christmas Island and are eagerly working on our responses.

In Literacy, we have been focusing on Narratives and have enjoyed some awesome literacy sessions. We have been focusing on Sizzling Starts and have been using alliteration, similes and ellipses to great effect to ensure our writing grabs the reader's attention.

In Numeracy, we have been focusing on place value, rounding and are currently working on number lines and reviewing addition and subtraction strategies. We are reinforcing these key concepts through fun maths games which are incorporated into our daily warm ups.



CLASSROOM UPDATES

YEAR 4

Miss Brown and Miss Taylor are excited to be part of Two Rocks Primary School and we have had a wonderful time getting to know our Year 4 students.

In Math, we have been focusing on Place Value by reading and writing numbers up to a hundred thousand.

In English, we have been focusing on creating imaginative stories and have thoroughly enjoyed looking at comic strips.

The Year 4s have set SMART Goals to identify a focus in their learning they wish to improve.

In Health, they have been learning about building a positive mindset and not comparing themselves or their learning to others.



YEAR 3

What an exciting start to the year we have had in Year 3!

We have enjoyed learning how to use English Stars in Literacy and we love getting to use the iPads!

In Maths we made constellations with geoboards to match our classroom space theme. In Science we are looking at categorising animals and we wrote a persuasive text on choosing animals to send to Planet Zog.

We also enjoyed having our first tour of the Triton kitchen and we can't wait to start cooking!

CLASSROOM UPDATES



YEAR 2

2MeMo have had a SUPER busy start to the year!

We have set up our class rules, group norms and settled into our Year 2 routines.

Our teachers have been very impressed with how hard we work in class and how kind and helpful we are to each other and our teachers.



YEAR 1

We have had a great start to the year in Year 1!

We are settling into our new routines and love using different playgrounds each week!

In Science we are learning about living things and their habitats and in HASS we have been learning about different types of families.

We have also started coding lessons in Digital Technologies and explored our Bush Tucker Garden.



CLASSROOM UPDATES

PRE
PRIMARY



The Pre-Primaries have had a fantastic start to the year.

In Literacy we have loved learning all about 'WOW' words and have had some amazing hands on experiences. We enjoyed playing with bubbles and playdoh and thought of some great wow words such as slippery, sticky, colourful, squishy and soft.

We have also loved reading books and learning all about vocabulary. We read Possum Magic and learnt the meaning of words such as invisible, miserable and adventure!

In Science we were so excited to be able to play at our Science table and have enjoyed looking after our new class pets - our stick insects!

In HASS we have been learning all about places that are special to us.



CLASSROOM UPDATES

KINDERGARTEN

The Kindy students have had a fantastic start to the year and have settled in well to our class routines.

They have been having lots of fun playing with their friends, meeting their teachers and exploring the exciting activities in the classroom.

Well done Kindy!



SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT



Thank you

to the

De'Arth Family

for their generous donation
of water bottles.

Your donation is greatly
appreciated.

Thank you



Our school photo day
is scheduled
for

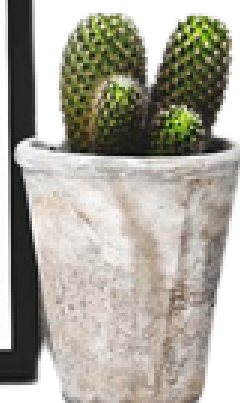
MONDAY

28th March 2022

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TUESDAY

29th March 2022



SCHOOL INFORMATION



OPERATING HOURS

ADMINISTRATION OFFICE

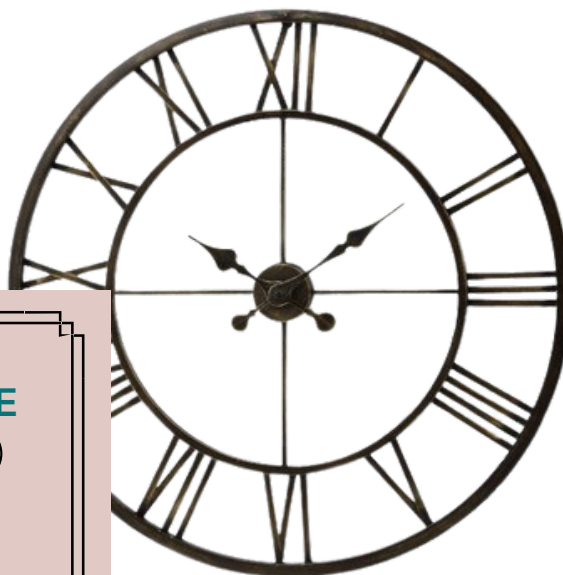
8:00AM - 3:30PM (WEEKDAYS)

SCHOOL START TIME

8:30AM

SCHOOL FINISH TIME

2:45PM



LIBRARY HOURS

LIBRARY TIME TABLE

MONDAY

Pre-Primary
Year 4

TUESDAY

Year 1
Year 6

WEDNESDAY

Year 3
Year 5

THURSDAY

Year 2

