



Newsletter # 6 17/05/2018

NAPLAN TESTING

I would like to thank the parents of students in Years 3 and 5 for the support and encouragement that you gave your child who sat 3 days of NAPLAN Testing in Literacy and Numeracy this week. It can be a stressful time for students, but I know that a lot of work is done at school assisting students to understand and prepare for sitting and working through an assessment booklet. Well done to all the students who sat the test and all that could be asked of you was that you tried to do your best on the day, which I am sure you did. The school, parents and students will not know the results of these tests until September.

LOOKING AHEAD

On **Thursday 28th June**, we will be holding our Parent Teacher Interviews. **This will be a student free day**, allowing time for the teachers to meet with all the families to discuss your child's learning. This year, we are switching back to a more traditional Parent - Teacher interview rather than the Student led Conferences which we have run for the last 5 or more years. More details will be sent out in the coming weeks.

FAMILY STEM NIGHT

The whole school community is looking forward to the family STEM night next Wednesday. It is sure to be a fun night of sharing fun Maths and Science activities. On the night, we ask that all families enter via the school office to collect their passport and have a guess at the 'Guess How Many Lego Pieces' Competition. Doors open at 4:30pm and close at 6:30pm. All children must be accompanied by an adult. We will be running a BBQ on the night and each person will receive a free sausage. We will also be selling drinks on the night for \$2 each.

MOTHERS DAY STALL

I would like to thank Melissa Patullo, Val Risteska, Priscilla Ivkovic, Janine Mercieca, Sarah Major, Janine Parkinson and Teresa Walters who have done another amazing job of organising the stall. All students had the opportunity to purchase Mum, or a special person, a lovely Mothers' Day gift. As always, a huge thank you to this group of mums.

**Important Dates /
Reminders**

**TUESDAY 22ND MAY YR 1
YARRABEE YESTERDAY
WORLD EXCURSION**

**WEDNESDAY 23RD MAY
SCIENCE INCURSION YR's 4-
6, MONEY DUE TUESDAY
22ND MAY**

**WED 30TH MAY YR 2
MELTON LIBRARY
EXCURSION MONEY DUE
MON 21ST MAY**

REMINDERS

SCHOOL ABSENCE LINE

**9743 7595
8.50AM – 3.05PM**

**NO LATE PAYMENTS FOR
EXCURSIONS/INCURSIONS
WILL BE ACCEPTED UNLESS
ARRANGMENTS HAVE BEEN
MADE WITH THE OFFICE PRIOR
TO THE DUE DATE**

**SCHOOL BANKING EVERY
TUESDAY**

**UPDATE CHANGE OF ADDRESS,
PHONE NUMBER ETC AT THE
OFFICE**

ATTENDANCE

It is very important that children attend school EVERY day. Attendance is one of our school focuses for 2018 and we are trying very hard to help children understand that being at school, learning, is the most important thing they can do to get the results they need to be successful into their future. By the start of Term 3, we are required to message parents by a certain time if their child is not at school. We will do this through a SMS Message, therefore it is important for all contact details to be up to date. If your phone number changes at any time, please remember to contact the office to inform us. We sent home your current contact details this week and we would appreciate these being returned ASAP.

WET DAY TIMETABLE GAMES

With the colder, wet weather now upon us, students will be spending more time in the classroom when we have wet day timetables. To help pass the time and keep the students amused, school is in need of pre-loved board games eg: Snakes & Ladders, Chinese checkers, Trouble and Guess Who etc. Also jig saw puzzles and card games. All donations gratefully accepted.



YEAR 6VS POEMS

Silence fell,
Sad music triggers thoughts of me visiting her.
Tears fill my eyes,
Happy memories fall like stars,
Pictures flash in my head as fast as bullets,
More tears ripple down my cheeks,
Mascara rolling down peoples' faces,
And lipstick being smudged,
As I cry trying not to make another scene,
The celebration of her life made me feel proud of what she had done,
But at the same time it was awful.

By Olivia Rissinich 6VS

I practically tugged at my sleeve like there was no tomorrow.
The inmates wailed out to the world as the sirens rang as loud as a lion.
Punishment was set in stone for those two boys.

By Georgia Foley 6VS

Forgotten like it never existed,
the clouds frowned,
forced expression,
constantly asking questions,
sitting there concentrating and blocking out the world.

Anonymous

ACTIVE PATHS

Active Paths has been an initiative by the Bicycle Network where we have worked together to identify and map out the most common paths around the school that children regularly use for active travel including walking, riding and scooting to school. Wedge Park Primary School will be celebrating the launch of **ACTIVE PATHS** on Thursday 24th May.

To help us celebrate on Thursday we invite you to meet at 8:20am at the starting point of one of the 3 paths listed below. There will be a staff member at each of the starting points. We will be departing the starting points at 8:25am and making our way along the path to school.

Waiting at school for you will be stickers, giveaways and a healthy breakfast. We will be having a special assembly at 9 am to celebrate the launch.

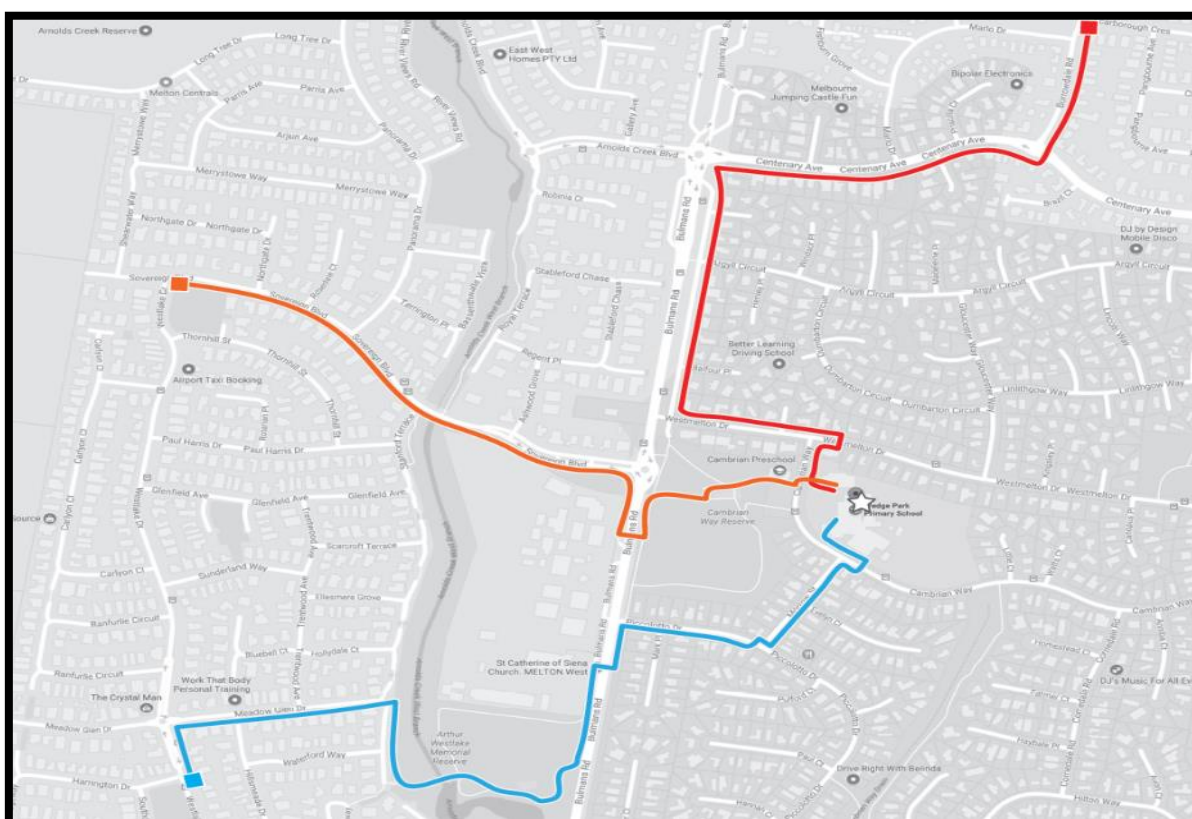
Here are the starting points. There will also be permanent markers on the footpath indicating which way to walk to get to school.

Red Path - Corner of Scarborough Cres and Borrowdale Road

Orange Path - Corner of Westlake Drive and Sovereign Blvd

Blue Path - West Lake Drive near Meadow Glen Drive

The Junior School Council will be promoting this event over the coming weeks. Stay tuned for more information.



FAMILY STEM EVENING
WEDNESDAY 23rd MAY 2018
4:30pm - 6:30pm

All Wedge Park students along with their parents and families are invited to enjoy a night of participating in fun STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) activities together! Classrooms will be open with a variety of concepts for families to explore.



Doors open at 4:30pm and close at 6:30pm. Families are welcome to come to the session at any stage during these hours. Enter through the office to collect your passport and map to navigate your way around the school.

There will be a free BBQ for all families to enjoy and drinks will be available to purchase on the night.

Students who attend on the night will also go in the running to win a Rubik's Cube.

Come dressed in your favourite COLOUR!



**ALL CHILDREN MUST BE SUPERVISED BY AN ADULT AT ALL
TIMES**

Rubik's cubes will be available for purchase on the night \$4.00 each.