



Principal's Message

Diary Dates

- **Swimming** – Every Tuesday. 12:00 – 2:30pm
- **Wednesday 25th Oct** – Mona @ Barambah Cluster Principal's meeting
- **Friday 27th Oct** – Mona and Sam @ Finance Training
- **Mon – Wed 30th – 1st Nov** – Year 6 Cluster Camp
- **Thursday 2nd Nov** – Kelly and Bonnie @ PD
- **Monday 6th Nov** – Prep Open Morning
- **Th and Fri 9th and 10th Nov** – Mona @ DG Roadshow
- **Wednesday 15th Nov** – Yr 7 transition day MSHS
- **Friday 17th Nov** – Prep Transition Day
- **Monday 20th Nov** – Year 6 Graduation
- **Friday 24th Nov** – Prep Open Day
- **29th Nov – 1st Dec** – Year 3 – 6 Camp
- **Saturday 2nd Dec** – Family Fun Day
- **Monday 4th Dec** – Rewards Day
- **Wednesday 6th Dec** – YWAM Dance Ministry
- **Thursday 7th Dec** – Awards Parade and Christmas Concert



Last week we held our first Prep Open Day and what a successful morning it was. We welcomed four children to our beautiful school. Each child received a 'passport' and thoroughly enjoyed adding stickers at each 'destination' as they travelled around our school. Highlights included listening to a story in the library, playing on the forts and other playground equipment (swings and slides were a favourite), and craft activities including making a pasta necklace and marble painting. After morning tea everyone enjoyed tackling the obstacle course and finishing the day by visiting the principal in my office where the children each chose their very own Jitter Critter.



Staff and students all enjoyed the change to swimming in the afternoon rather than first up in the morning. Everyone was able to focus on learning in the classroom throughout the morning and then take advantage of the pool during the hottest part of the day. A big thanks to our HPE teacher, Mark Smith, Wondai Pools and Purser's for supporting us to organise this change of schedule for the remainder of term up to and including Week 8.

*Warmest regards,
Mona Lawrance
A/Principal*

Principal awards last week – Congratulations Ethan and Eloise



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Principal's Reminders:

Attendance:

*Congratulations to all students and
thank you parents for ensuring students are at school everyday.
We are at 88% attendance for the year.
Aiming for 90% and almost there!!*



Parade:

- **Parade will not be held this Friday.**
- Next parade will be held the following week on Friday 3rd November (Week 5) in the afternoon at 2.45pm.
- We will present the student of the week awards, reading awards and any other special awards during this time.
- Students are encouraged to wear their formal uniform on Fridays for parade and special events.

Day for Daniel:

This Friday wear red and bring a Gold coin donation to support the day for Daniel. This is a great opportunity to speak to the children about safety



Curriculum Bite:

We will have a Curriculum Bite 'to chew on' in each newsletter. Quite often they will be in response to queries I have received during the previous few weeks. This Curriculum Bite is to tell you more about our decodable books, which support our children, particularly in P-2, as they develop as amazing young readers.

What are decodable books?

There are generally two types of books given to beginner readers – decodable (books which require children to read words by sounding out, using the letters and sounds that they have been taught) and predictable (repetitive text which encourages children to look at the picture, use their knowledge of high frequency words and other strategies, such as saying a word that would make sense, to guess the text). The books our children are reading in class and as home readers are decodable books. These books have been carefully written to match our children's sequence of learning. In this way, our young readers experience success from the start by sounding out and blending the words in the books using the sounds and letters they've learnt so far.

Top tips for reading at home.

- *Before your child begins reading, check inside the front and back covers of the book. Encourage your child to point to any letters there and say the sounds, then ask them to read the focus words.*
 - *Encourage your child to 'sound out' to read unknown words when they get stuck (rather than 'look at the picture' or guess 'what would make sense').*
 - *Support early readers to track their finger underneath the words as they read them.*
 - *Remember that if this is the beginning of your child's learning to read journey, just as when they were learning to walk, your child may need support to build confidence.*
- If you have any questions or would like to express your interest in attending an information session on this topic, please come and see me or grab me for a chat – I always love discussing the science of reading.*

Mrs Mona Lawrance

Award Recipients:



P-2 Won the best line award



Mackenzie won the looking out for others Chappy award



Congratulations Cohen for challenging yourself in your learning.

Congratulations Olivia for using our equipment safely

P – 2 Update

Hi everyone,

Please enjoy this update and feel free to pop in to the class after school with your child. They would love to share their learning with you!

SCIENCE – We have enjoyed investigating the forces of ‘push’ and ‘pull’ and have learnt the scientific concepts of gravity, friction and direction. Our class enjoyed making ‘paper helicopters’ and exploring how they could make changes to make the helicopters fly better. They also did a great job of designing their own ‘wind race tracks’ and then using a straw to push a small felt pom-pom around the track.

ENGLISH – Our class has been looking into the elements of poetry (poetic devices) and have learnt how poets use these ‘tools’ such as alliteration, rhythm, rhyme and repetition to entertain and create feelings for the readers. This week we will become poets and start to create our own poems!

MATHS – The students have been exploring fractions and have been using concrete materials to separate large numbers into smaller groups. The Year 2’s especially loved separating bees into hives but most of all sorting the cows into the different cattle yards! The most favourite maths activity for our class was making fairy bread and cutting them into halves, quarters and eighths and then sharing with the whole school! Soon we will start to learn about money.

Our Preps have continued with counting – backwards from 20 and will count up to and beyond 20. They have started using ‘think boards’ and are learning how to show teen numbers in a variety of ways. Just a reminder... You can help your prep child by looking at numbers in ‘real life’. A fun way to do this is to make a number hunting game to spot numbers wherever you are e.g. the letter box, house and street numbers, on clocks and objects such as rulers and tape measures. And of course, please keep counting. Numbers are everywhere!

Year 1 – Please continue to practice counting forwards (to 100) and then backwards from any given number.

**Kind regards,
Mrs. Kelly Davis
P-2 Teacher**



P – 2 Update





3-6 Update

Hi all it's been a hot start to the term both in temperature and in student learning with official appointments being made to critical jobs in the classroom, English Poems flowing at will and in science the 5/6 students are... watching grass grow...

First, I would like to congratulate Ethan and Mitch for being appointed as the auctioneer and banker for the Windaera classroom Monopoly. Both boys came to school with a prepared resume and underwent formal interviews for the positions. They were successful due to their prior experience dealing with cash flow for family businesses. The boys also highlighted their ability to drive armoured trucks to transport the money to banks if required however this is outside of our budget at this stage.

In English the students have started writing poems using the skills we have learnt so far and in conjunction with Mrs Lawrance I will be facilitating a writing competition every Friday amongst the 3-6 students to write the best poem and featuring some of my favourites in our newsletter. My personal favourite from this fortnight was written by Fletcher Brown who submitted a poem referencing his interpretation of Napoleon Bonaparte.

In Science the students designed an experiment to test how different conditions will affect the germination of grass seeds. Students are observing grass grow in the freezer, fridge, classroom and on the oval and evaluating how these different conditions effect plan growth.

Finally, I would like to celebrate the birthdays we have had this fortnight. Happy Birthday to both Ethan and Cohen! And a special thankyou to the parents that facilitated the cakes for those events, they were delicious!

Thanks Again,

*Caiden Robinson
3-6 Classroom Teacher*



Poetry Place

In the 3-6 class this term the students are learning about poetry. Each newsletter we will feature a poem that someone from the 3-6 class have created.

Is it over Mr Bonaparte

I can see the men riding their horses, in our direction I see the natural forces,

I see the stones now they're ready to bury me in the cold, in dread I'm going to be placed in a sea of shame I would rather be eaten by a sham deal of gold, I have to hide on the shore the shining lanterns and frostbite catch up to me I remember the invasion of Russia, I'd rather invade Prussia.

Once more it was an aggregation of soldier's deaths in an annihilation of life. in my strife for fame, I made it through the same, I am in the cradle of the same man through and through I will become. my hand is deformed, I wished I knew what terraformed,

means maybe I'll see something new in future, I will be super but I will be tutor, on all my imperfection they really think I need to know I know them so be themselves. carry on my legacy of invasion, please just do some annihilation, in a private island I can never Get a free escape in a past place. I made A terrible mistake

A Poem by Fletcher Brown



Student Council Update:

Day for Daniel. On the 27 of oct we will be having day for Daniel and it's all about keeping kids safe. Dress in red and bring the gold coin donation.

Up coming

In the upcoming weeks the student council will be planning a movie dress up day to be continued .

Events – Prep Open Day



P&C News



Family Fun Day – Saturday 2nd Dec
2pm till Late

- **Jumping Castle**
- **Face painting**
- **Farmers Challenge – Enter your team of 4 - \$20 Entry great prizes to be won.**
- **Heaps of Raffle prizes - \$5 Per ticket**
- **BBQ**
- **Bar open**
- **Music**

Get your tickets for the homemade quilt - \$2 per ticket. Tickets available through the office at school.



P&C have some volunteer shirts available for purchase if you are interested please speak to Melanie Brown – Orders need to be in by the 1st November – Information and sizing is on the next page. The shirts are the Navy and white mini check and they will have the school logo on the pocket

Next P&C Meeting:

General Meeting
Tuesday 14th
November @ 6:30
All welcome 😊

Pilbara Collection Shirts

RMPC004 Men's Front Flap Dual Pocket, Classic Fit, Long Sleeve Shirt, Y/D Check

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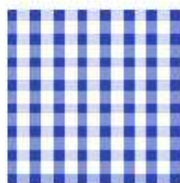
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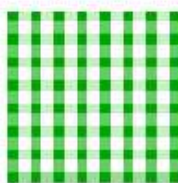
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Colour Fastness to Washing	Colour Change	4
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Colour Fastness to Rubbing	Dry	3-4
	Wet	2-3
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Emerald-White mini check



Navy-White mini check

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Measurement Table

Major Points	XS	S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL	4XL	5XL		
1/2 Chest	49	52	55	59	63	67	71	75	78		
Centre Back Length	80	81	82	83	85	87	89	91	93		
Sleeve Length	62	65	67	68	69	70	71	71	71		
Shoulder Width	42	44	46	49	52	55	58	61	63		
Pocket Dimension	Width 13.5 x Depth 16.5cm										



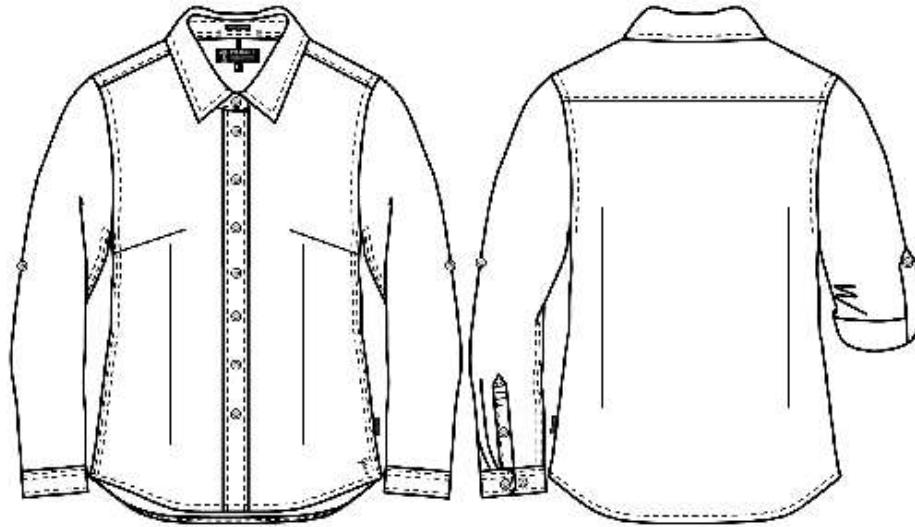
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RMPC003 Ladies Classic Fit, Long Sleeve Shirt, Y/D Check

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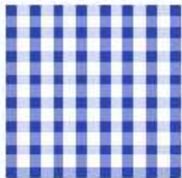
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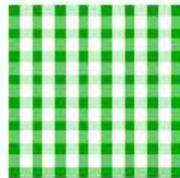
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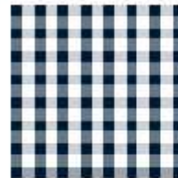
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Sleeve Length	59	60	61	62	63	64	65	66				
Shoulder Width	39	40	41	43	44	46	48	50				





****EXPRESSION OF INTEREST****

ORDERS CLOSE – WEDNESDAY 1ST NOVEMBER 2023

PARENT / VOLUNTEER SHIRT - \$51.00

Navy & White check, long sleeve 'Pilbara' shirt with the Winda SS Logo embroidered on the left chest (same logo as on our student's Formal uniforms)

NAME: _____

PHONE # : _____

(Some shirts are available to try on at Uniform Zone, Kingaroy for correct sizing)

Sizing Tips –

Lay your best fitting long sleeve shirt on a flat surface and measure from side hem to side hem at Chest level. Then refer to the Measurement table to consider your size required.

****SEE ATTACHED PILBARA SHIRT SIZE CHARTS****

(PLEASE CIRCLE)

MENS SIZE'S - XS S M L XL 2XL 3XL 4XL 5XL

(MENS SHIRT CODE RMPC004)

WOMENS SIZE'S - 6 8 10 12 14 16 18 20

(WOMENS SHIRT CODE RMPC003)

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	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1 Oct	2 nd Public holiday	3 rd Swimming Bus Leaves at 8:45am	4 th	5 th	6 th SLP Visit
Week 2	9 th Sam Out	10 th Swimming Bus Leaves at 8:45am Sam Out	11 th Photoshoot at school Sam out	12 th Sam Out	13 th Sam Out Parade
Week 3	16 th Prep Open Day	17 th Swimming Bus Leaves at 12:00pm P&C Meeting 6:30pm	18 th SLP Visit	19 th SLP Visit PM	20 th Mona Out @ PD
Week 4	23 rd	24 th Swimming Bus Leaves at 12:00pm	25 th Mona @ Principal Cluster Meeting	26 th	27 th Finance Training Day Mona and Sam Out Day for Daniel Happy World Teachers Day
Week 5 Nov	30 th Year 6 Cluster Camp	31 st Swimming Bus Leaves at 12:00pm Year 6 Cluster Camp	1 st Year 6 Cluster Camp	2 nd Kelly and Bonnie @ PD	3 rd SLP Visit Parade
Week 6	6 th Prep Open Morning	7 th Swimming Bus Leaves at 12:00pm	8 th	9 th Mona @ DG Roadshow	10 th Mona @ DG Roadshow
Week 7	13 th	14 th Swimming Bus Leaves at 12:00pm	15 th Year 7 Transition Day MSHS Guidance Officer Visit	16 th	17 th Prep Transition Day SLP Visit Parade
Week 8	20 th	21 st Swimming Bus Leaves at 12:00pm	22 nd	23 rd	24 th Prep Transition Day
Week 9 Dec	27 th Year 6 Graduation Dinner	28 th Guidance Officer Visit	29 th 3 – 6 Camp	30 th 3 – 6 Camp	1 st 3 – 6 Camp
Week 10	4 th Rewards Day – Gympie Cinemas and 10 pin bowling	5 th	6 th YWAM Dance Ministry 2:00 – 3:00pm	7 th Awards Parade and Christmas Concert 3.30 – 5.00pm	8 th Parade