Newsletters and School Information in 2015-
First email has been sent!
On Friday the first email was sent out to those providing the school with their email address. If you did not receive your email or would like your contact details added to our list please contact the school.

Scripture Starts this Week
This Tuesday will be the first scripture lesson of the year. Our scripture lessons are taught by volunteers that are cross authorised to cater for all protestant religions. All students attend these classes unless they have previously notified the school when they enrolled or in writing. If your child went to non-scripture last year, they will continue to do so this year unless you notify the school in writing. Similarly, if you wish your child to stop attending scripture lessons please notify the school in writing.

We follow the DEC procedures on Religious education for students attending Non-Scripture which state that we cannot teach any curriculum during this time however students can read, do private study or complete homework.

At this time our school does not provide ethics classes as an alternative as we do not have any volunteers. Ethics must be taught by a community volunteer who receives training and is provided lessons to follow.

If you would like any more information please speak to Ms Sanday.

Cake Day
This Wednesday 25th February is our first Cake Day of the year. 2/3 and 5/6 are to bring the cakes. Students will be able to buy a small cake form morning tea. The price of the cakes start at 10 cents.
Year 7, 2016 Information Night

Date: Wednesday 25th Feb 2015
Time: 6.30pm

The Year 7 2016 Family Tour, provides families with the opportunity to be guided on a tour throughout Wadalba Community School. The information session focuses on informing you and your child about what you need to know about Wadalba Community School, the transition into Year 7 and everyday high school life whilst seeing with your own eyes the facilities available. It will give you an opportunity to meet staff and ask any questions associated with your child’s orientation into high school. Could you please RSVP using the details on the initial note sent home. If you have lost your note, please go to the Wadalba Primary Website and you will find it under ‘Notes Home’.

Assembly Roster

Assemblies are held on Fridays commencing at 11.00am.

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Parent/Teacher Interviews

Parent Teacher interviews are on Tuesday 3rd March from 2:40-6:30pm. Interviews are now booked using an online system. Visit www.schoolinterviews.com.au and enter the event code: 3RJAZ Find your teacher and select a suitable 10 minute slot. You will be emailed a confirmation once the booking is complete. On the day, ensure you arrive prior to your interview time to assist with the smooth running of the event.

In the Spotlight:

Our Primary School Administration Officer
(Our friendly Office Person!)

Name: Mrs Vanessa Williams
I started teaching at Wadalba in: 2012
What I like best about my job: Helping the parents and students. Everyday is different. It is very rewarding and challenging.
My favourite colour is: Aqua
My favourite food is: A nice big baked dinner
My favourite book is: I like a variety of books!
My favourite movie is: Gosh, that is hard. I love watching children’s movies, action, romance, everything but horror!
My favourite subject when I was at school was: PD/H/PE and anything sport related
My kids are: Courtney (aged 18), Mikayla (aged 15) and Jared (aged 6)
In my free time I love: Reading, spending time with my family, walking and watching movies.
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Clean Up Australia Day
This year is the 25th anniversary of Clean up Australia Day. Our school will be holding our event on Friday February 27th. We invite all students to help clean up, fix up and conserve the environment in and around our school. Students are to bring a pair of gloves (material or disposable) to school that day.

Lost a note?
Did you know that many of the notes sent home are available online? Go to the Primary section of our website and go to ‘Notes Home’ and you can print a spare anytime you need one!


We would like to invite all of the families of our Primary Wadalba students to come and join us for Cuppa & Cake

This time we will be having a casual chat about:

Homework and NAPLAN
Wednesday February 25th
1:30-2:30pm
Primary Hall

We hope to see you there!

Facebook Page
Don’t forget to like our Facebook page so you can get instant updates of what is happening at our school.

Our Road Safety Focus for Term One is PEDESTRIAN SAFETY

Children need to be closely supervised when travelling on or near roads until they are 10 years old!
What is the Wadalba Cup?

2015 is the inaugural year for The Wadalba Cup. This is a system where points are awarded to students, staff, parents and community members for positive behaviours, sporting events, and extracurricular events. Two cups will run parallel in Primary and Secondary. Students and staff are working together as House groups – Thorpe, Bradman, Hall and Freeman to be crowned the overall winners. For example, this week teachers have been collecting points by wearing their house colours. All points accrued this year from swimming carnivals, athletic carnivals; school focus blitzes, academic excellence and other challenges will be tallied.

At the end of Term three the winning house will be rewarded with an excursion, a trophy and the title of 2015 winners. We encourage you to ask your children what house they are in and have regular conversations about the weekly blitzes, the point scores and how they can earn points for their house.

Community Board:

‘Anne Frank – A History for Today’- Tuggerah Library

The international exhibition ‘Anne Frank – A History for Today’ has been shown in over 40 countries and its next stop will be at Tuggerah Library, 9 February to 16 March.

Created by the Anne Frank House in Amsterdam, the exhibition was established to preserve and maintain the Secret Annex where Anne and seven others lived in hiding during the Holocaust and WWII.

The free exhibition features family photographs and quotes from Anne's famed diary, while also challenging visitors to think about tolerance, mutual respect, human rights and democracy in our own society. Visitors are encouraged to reflect on the cultural differences that exist in own society and think about what steps need to be taken to improve human rights. Designed for young people aged 11-18, the exhibition offers a message of tolerance and mutual respect that will resonate with all ages.
Our Swimming Carnival

This year’s Primary Swimming Carnival had our biggest attendance in years with 114 students participating on the day. It was a pleasure to attend this event and see so many students have a go as well as cheering and encouraging each other. Our house captains were very vocal in leading chants and looked just as impressive in their house colours and attire. Students thoroughly enjoyed the ‘Salmon Run’ competing for points for their houses. A special mention goes out to our high school students who assisted students who were not very confident in the water which allowed them to participate in the fun activities. I am sure these students will remember this experience for years to come. On that note, a big thank you to the high school sports coaching students and also Miss Kettle, Mr Harris, Mr Gorton and Mr McClennan for assisting in the running of the day, our carnival could not run without your support! Congratulations to all students.

Students who have qualified for zone will receive a permission note in the coming days. Zone will be held at Mingara on Tuesday 4 March. Mrs Farrelly

Put it in a Sentence!

Students in 5/6 have taken putting their spelling words in a sentence to a whole new level. Have a read of some of the descriptive language used in these sentences!

“The dark and gloomy mysteries that lie behind the mountain of trees give me shivers up and down my spine.” - Sophia

“At day all cities are over run with colour and people. But at night they’re black and quiet where the only sound is the crow saying his final words before leaving the earth’s cold hard concrete floor.” - Sophie

“I remember the wreckage. Honestly, I don’t want to talk about it, but I must. It was a twisted mess of steel and scrap with wires overhead. I remember vaguely. It was one year, seven months and two weeks ago. I survived, but only just. I was the only survivor”. - Kaylem
Kindergarten are off to a flying start in 2015!

We have already established some great friendships, developed new routines and displayed an overwhelming eagerness to learn.

Our class have begun exploring the school environment, the teachers, fellow students and places within Wadalba Community School.

We have tried out many new and exciting things since our first day. Reading is one of our favourite things to do with Mrs Calverley. We love sharing in new stories, making predictions about books and writing about our thoughts. One of our favourite stories listened to this week was the “Huggles hug” by Joy Cowley.

We discussed physical affection, describing how it feels when we hug our loved ones and how they feel when we show them how much we care about them. We decided as a class we need to hug our family more and tell them how much we love them.

Don’t’s forget there are LOTS of resources and information about our school, education and much more on our website:


For Primary specific information, just click on the Primary Tab