



Next Tuesday 1st November is Melbourne Cup Day – Public Holiday. There is NO school on this day

World Teacher's Day – tomorrow.

This year, World Teachers' Day is on Friday 28th October. This celebration is an opportunity to say thank you for the incredible contributions teachers make to our community. It is a time we recognise the difference teachers have made to our children's lives.



Our SRC (Student Representative Council) have organised World Teacher's Day once again. At 9.00 Friday, we will have a brief assembly at the front of the school, and they will present all teachers with a card.

The SRC students will then teach the class for 2 hours while the "real teacher" relaxes.

I would like to say THANK YOU to the AMAZING teachers at West. I am very, very proud of our teachers and I know our school community is also very happy with them.

HAPPY WORLD TEACHERS' DAY TO ALL TEACHERS AT MWPS

Our Concert – Costumes.

We are getting organised for our concert and have included in this newsletter, your child's costume requirements. Please read the note & get in touch with your child's teacher if you have any questions or concerns. We will let you know further details about our concert as soon as we can.



Are You leaving MWPS? Please let us know.

We are beginning to plan for 2023. To organise our staff and classes, we need to know which students are leaving our school (this does not include our G6 students). Could you please contact us this week if you are leaving?



CATs (Common Assessment Tasks)

Have you read your child's latest school report?

Several have been uploaded onto COMPASS over the last 3 weeks. This week, the following reports will be available for parents to view:



- Prep – Music & Writing
- G1/2 – Maths
- G5 – Writing

Note:

If you cannot see your child's report because you cannot get on COMPASS, please contact your class teacher or phone the office for assistance.

MWPS Acceptable Use Agreement for Internet and Digital Technologies 2022

All students and their parents in G3-6 have signed an Acceptable Use Agreement for Internet and Digital Technologies 2022.

This is an important agreement and needs to be respected by all. I have included the majority of the agreement here for you to read.

Mildura West Primary believes the teaching of digital literacy, cybersafe, digital citizenship and responsible online behaviour is essential in the lives of students and is best taught in partnership between home and school.

Student Agreement – this was signed by students and parents

When I use technology, both at school and at home, I have responsibilities and rules to follow. I agree to:

- Be a safe user whenever and wherever I use that technology
- Be responsible whenever and wherever I use technology.
- Be respectful when I talk to others online
- Never participate in online bullying, including forwarding messages that are inappropriate or harmful
- Report to an adult if I feel unsafe, or uncomfortable online, or see a friend being unsafe or being made to feel uncomfortable by others
- Keep myself and my friends safe, by not giving out personal details including full names, telephone numbers, addresses and images and protecting my password



Talk to my teacher or another adult if:

- I need help online
- I am not sure what I should be doing on the Internet
- I come across sites which are not suitable
- Someone writes something I don't like, makes me and my friends feel uncomfortable, or asks me to provide information that I know is private
- I feel that the welfare of other students at the school are being threatened

Not bring, or download, unauthorised programs, or files from home

Not go looking for rude or offensive sites

When at school I also agree to:

- Behave in a way outlined in the school's 'Learning Profile Attributes' when online or using mobile technology
- Use the technology at school for learning as directed by my teacher, use the equipment properly and not interfere with the work or data, of another student
- Be responsible in my use and not use the device to find, create, or send information that might be harmful, inappropriate or hurtful to me or anyone else

When using any device with a camera I will:

- Only take photos and record sound or video when it is part of a class or lesson
- Seek permission from individuals involved PRIOR to taking photos, recording sound or videoing them (including teachers)
- Seek written permission from individuals involved PRIOR to publishing or sending photos, recorded sound or video, to anyone else, or to any online space.
- Seek teacher permission before uploading any content to websites, blogs etc.

Handling:

- always 'walk' when carrying ICT devices
- never use ICT devices while walking around
- never leave ICT devices 'outside' my classroom in an unsafe place
- never leave ICT devices unattended on the ground, floor, chair or any other unsafe place
- always making sure that devices are in a safe position on my desk (not near the edge)
- never put things on top of ICT devices
- never consume or having food or drink near ICT devices
- at break times, leave my device in a secure location (classroom)

Social Media accounts (Snapchat, Instagram, Tik Tok, Facebook, Twitter etc) :

Both the physical age of a child, their level of maturity and resilience can affect their ability to have positive experiences on social media.

Most social media sites and apps have age requirements of 13 years and above before they can register.

Social Media is:

- is not supported by the school
- must not be used at school
- discouraged by the school for primary age students outside of school

Any online messaging, including group messages should be monitored by parents.

Social media should not be used to bully, harass, or promote conflict among other students. Doing so will result in a loss of access to ICT resources at school. (Students may be asked not to bring their iPad or other devices to school).

ENVIRO EDU SLITHERS INTO WEST!

As part of our Unit of Inquiry, Sharing the Planet, the Preps were delighted to meet some of Sarah's interesting creatures.

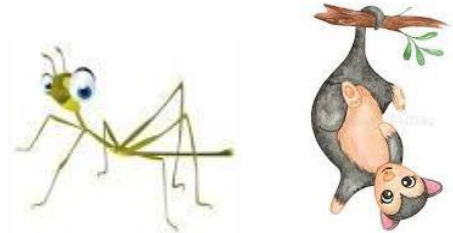
- Irene the Spiny Leafed Stick Insect
- Clay the Murray River Turtle
- Cruncha the Saltwater Crocodile
- Floriana the Murray Darling Carpet Python and
- Poppy and Maxi the Ring Tail Possums.

Students were very curious to learn more about the needs of these animals, their form and what we can do to help them survive. They were all very brave and excited to hold Floriana the carpet snake too! Here is what some children wrote about the experience...

"I felt the possum. It felt like a blanket it was so soft". – Tristan

"The crocodile had sharp teeth and scary eyes". – Arya

"I learnt that when a snake sheds it's skin, it can turn a different colour". - Molly



SCHOOL BREAKFAST CLUBS PROGRAM BREAKFAST CLUB IS SEEKING VOLUNTEERS



We run a School Breakfast Club to ensure our students can have a healthy and happy start to their school day. All students at our school are invited to attend our warm and welcoming Breakfast Club.

We are currently seeking volunteers to assist with:

- setting up our breakfast area
- helping prepare and serve breakfast to students
- providing valuable social interaction for students
- cleaning up at the conclusion of breakfast.

SCHOOL: Mildura West Primary School
DAY: Thursday
TIME: 8:00am - 9:00am
CONTACT: Natalee Catanzariti
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27th October 2022



WEST STAR



Important Dates

1st November

- Melbourne Cup – Public Holiday

16th & 17th November

- MWPS Concert evenings

21st November

- Gr 6 Exhibition

7th December

- Student Free Day

2023 Prep Orientation Sessions

- 24th November (9.30 – 12.30pm) #1
- 2nd December (9.30 – 12.30pm) #2
- 9th December (9.30 – 12.30pm) #3

Camp Dates

24th November

- Gr 2 sleepover at school
- Gr 4 Sleepover at school

25th November

- Prep Activity Day
- Gr 1/2 Activity Day

Student Led School Assembly

4th Nov - Gr 1T

11th Nov - Gr 5B

25th Nov - Gr 3L/4B

2nd Dec - Gr 2O

16th Dec - Final assembly - Gr 6

Class	West Star	Reason
Prep L	Kathleen Cook	For being a risk taker in her learning. Super effort Kat!
Prep P	Willa Eiby	For being an amazing learner and always trying her best. Fantastic effort Willa!
Prep S	Molly Cottrell Drummond	For being a reflective learner and always striving to do her best. Well done Molly!
1A	Claudia Veniamakis	For concentrating and being principled during Mindfulness. Well done!
1J	Neve Whitelegg	For being reflective and thinking about what she can do to improve her writing. Amazing work Neve!
1T	Kobie Carr	For being a Thinker and planning his writing, making sure that the events are ordered correctly. Well done Kobie.
2N	Kieala O'Donnell	For being a Risk-Taker and always trying her best with her learning. Well done, Kieala!
2O	Jett Kozak	For always being a Principled member of our classroom. Amazing work, Jett!
3k	Lucas Whitelegg	For being knowledgeable and sharing his terrific ideas with his group during our learning in our Unit of inquiry. Well done, Lucas!
3L	Ashton Earnst	For being a Thinker by sharing his ideas and thinking in all areas of his learning. So proud of you Ashton, keep it up!
4B	Joshua Christian	For being a risk-taker in his learning. Well done, Josh!
4T	Alexis Jeffries	For being a positive class member and a Risk-taker in her learning. Well done, Alexis!
5B	Khloe Partington	For being Principled and Reflective towards her learning.
5N	Addison Pardon	For being reflective and thinking about what she can do to improve. Well done Addie!
6N	Sonu Arvapalli	For being a Risk-taker in Maths and thinking of different problem solving strategies. Fantastic Sonu!
Digital Technologies	Olivia Dimasi	For consistently being a 'Thinker', 'Inquirer' and showing great student agency when working on problems and projects in 'Highly Able' Digital Technologies lessons.
Music	Ryon Paul	For being a Risk Taker and composing new song verses. Thanks for confidently sharing your amazing compositions Ryon!
Physical Education	Kayden Carr	For being a Risk Taker in basketball and confidently 'Coaching' his peers! Keep up the principled behaviour Kayden!
Visual Arts Environmental	Chloe Bravin Rachelle Blake-Blundell	For being a self driven inquirer and creative thinker in Art For being caring and using agency to continuously check in on the wellbeing of our school chooks. Thanks so much Rachelle!
RREP	Chelsea Piscitelli	For being a caring RREP leader and volunteering her time when extra RREP leaders are needed

Maths Competition

Please write the correct answer, cut out and place the problem in the Maths Competition Box, located next to lost property in the office. You can complete the problem as a family or individual. The winner will be drawn at our school assembly and will win a prize from the principal's prize box!

Draw a picture that has symmetry.

Here is an example:



NAME _____

CLASS _____