



THE WODEN SCHOOL

Independence & Responsibility



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Principal's Report

It has been a great start to Term 2, and students have settled in nicely to their learning. Canberra's Autumn weather has been very kind to us, and many classes have been out and about making the most of the sunshine. Fingers crossed this will continue for a few more weeks at least.

Last week Junior School students presented a wonderful Anzac Day Assembly for the whole school. This was a touching experience and very maturely received by all students. It was really great to see our students paying the appropriate respect and appreciation for the event.

Also this week I sent an email on behalf of Ross Burton (P & C President) calling for volunteers for Bricks. This is a great event established by the P & C and provides significant fundraising for the school. If you have any time to spare over the weekend of 22-23rd, please log on to:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10CoC45AFAB2EA6FEC25-bricks2021> to volunteer. Every little bit is greatly appreciated.

Next week we will be busy engaging with an external panel on the school review. This is a great opportunity to have a voice in the direction of the school over the next few years, so if you would like to know more please contact myself or Laura Simsen.

Speaking of Laura, please see over the page where she introduces herself.

As always, if you would like any information or clarity please give me a call or shoot me an email.

Yours Sincerely,
James Malone

**Issue 3
Term 2
2021**

Principal

James Malone

Deputy Principal

Laura Simsen

Business Manager

Jenna Blake

Executive Teachers

Janelle Munson
Moira Beverley
Alice Ziolo

Pastoral Care

Lionel Saddler

School Psychologist

Justine Rainey

Front Office

Melinda Harrison
Narelle Leonard
Sandra Cusack

Deputy Principal Introduction

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself and thank The Woden School community for such a warm welcome to the school. I have spent the last eight years in the ACT working across multiple schools and the Education Directorate to support students with disabilities from Kindergarten to Year 12. Before coming to the ACT, I spent the majority of my life in North East Victoria where most of my family still live.



My first four weeks at The Woden School have flown by and I have absolutely loved getting to know our fabulous students and see some of the amazing things happening in classrooms. I have also been impressed with the range of exciting activities happening out in the community to support student learning. I am looking forward to continuing to get to know more students and spend time in classrooms as the term progresses.

I am very excited to continue my work supporting students at The Woden School and working closely with staff to ensure we are always striving to improve our practice. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to reach out via email or contact the front office to arrange a time for us to meet in person.

Laura Simsen

Deputy Principal

We Need your help!

The Bricks 2021 is a great fundraiser for the school, but need more volunteers to help on the weekend to make it a great success!

So if you can assist with volunteering for **BRICKS2021** which will be held on the weekend of **22nd and 23rd May 2021** please use the electronic line rostering system to volunteer the instructions are as follows :

Follow the link below (Ctrl + click)

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10CoC45AFAB2EA6FEC25-bricks2021>

- Select the individual time slots and activities that you wish to volunteer for;
- Then select the Orange Submit and Sign-Up button at end of screen;
- This will take you to the Sign-up screen which should show a summary of the times and activities you have chosen
 - You then have the option to enter any comments
 - You will need to enter your name, email and phone number

Then click the Orange Sign-Up now button at the end of the screen which will confirm your choices.

Now if circumstances change you can go back in and update accordingly. If it all becomes too much then just email your available times and activities or any issues encountered with the technology to

Ross.Burton@act.gov.au

UPCOMING Events

Bricks expo	Sat & Sun 22 & 23 May
Assembly	Wed 2 June
Cross Country	Thurs 3 June



2017 - 2021

Our Priorities

1. Student Outcomes
 - a. Relevant assessment
 - b. Data
2. School Climate
 - a. Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)
3. Staff Wellbeing

IMPORTANT CONTACTS

Front office:

6142 0200

<http://>

www.thewodens.act.edu.au

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Special Needs

Transport: 6205 3555

<https://>

[www.transport.act.gov.au/
about-us/accessible-travel/
special-needs-transport-for-
students](http://www.transport.act.gov.au/about-us/accessible-travel/special-needs-transport-for-students)

Q City: 6128 9313

<https://>

www.qcitytransit.com.au/

Communities @ work

After School Contact

0417 043 761

<https://commsatwork.org/>

Nutrition Australia:

6162 2583

<https://>

www.nutritionaustralia.org/

**Calling all cake and biscuit
bakers**

**for donations to the Bricks
Cake Stall**

**– deliver to school Friday
21st May anytime –**



National Arboretum Outings with 7/8 Horticulture

The Year 7/8 Horticulture class are having fortnightly outings to the National Arboretum as part of celebrating sustainability, heritage, and environmental preservation. This outing was to the Cork Oak forest which has trees that are over 100 years old. It was an active outing in the sun which was enjoyed by all.



Our School Mascot
Tomasz loves his work



Nathan making Mother's
Day TREATS!



Beautiful felt poppies for
ANZAC Commemorations





ANZAC DAY CELEBRATIONS

ANZAC celebrations at the Woden School included a special assembly.
Handmade poppies appeared all over the school. A special thank you to Room 3
students in Year 7/8 for your leadership and the opportunity for remembrance.



Why We Remember Them

- ANZAC Day is held on April 25 each year
- ANZAC stands for Australian and New Zealand Army Corps
- During the First World War, April 25 1915 was the first year Australia and New Zealand soldiers fought together as nations in a major battle
- Over 8000 ANZAC soldiers died in Gallipoli



Significance of the Poppy



- Nothing seemed to live happily in the damp and dirty trenches on the battlefield – except a little flower called the poppy.
- In 1915, John McCrae wrote a poem about the poppies and the war. He called it "In Flanders Fields".
- In 1918, an American woman called Moina Michael read the poem and had an idea. She wore a poppy to remember the dead. She also sold poppies to make money to help injured soldiers. Other people started to sell poppies too.
- Today, thousands of people all over the world wear a red poppy on ANZAC Day and Remembrance Day.





Our School Mascot, out and about, brightening our day

Year 10 enrolments!

Justine Rainey, our school Psychologist is available to assist or answer any questions regarding your child's application to College in 2021.

Please contact her at Justine.rainey@ed.act.edu.au



EMMA RUBY HOUSE TEENAGE RESPITE



The Ricky Stuart Foundation, in partnership with the ACT Government, constructed "Emma Ruby House" located in Cook, ACT. It is world-class facility that provides services for young people with a disability operated by The Disability Trust.

The centre features four bedrooms, modified bathrooms, a kitchen area, dining room, play rooms, laundry, office, car/bus parking, interactive landscaping and outdoor play equipment.

Available services:

1. Short term accommodation
2. Club Trust Day programs
3. Clinical services
4. Capacity building programs



www.disabilitytrust.org.au

...creating an inclusive world

JOIN US!

Woden Valley Soccer Club

All ages and abilities

- > Players
- > Coaches
- > Managers
- > Refs
- > Volunteers



admin@wvsc.org.au



BRICKS

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THE WODEN SCHOOL

Supporting Students With Special Needs

Saturday 22 May 2021 9am-4pm

Sunday 23 May 2021 9am - 3pm

127 Denison Street, Deakin

Entry: \$5 Child | \$10 Adult | \$20 Family

LEGO displays | Competitions / Raffles | Sausage
Sizzle BBQ | Stalls | Face Painting

facebook.com/wodenbricks

This event has been organised in association with the Canberra
Lego User Group and The Woden School Parents and Citizens
Association

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MoneySmart for Consumers and Investors.

The MoneySmart website was created by Australian Securities and Investment Commission (ASIC) to help all Australians to improve personal finances. The website offers impartial guidance and online tools to help users to be better informed when making financial decisions.

No matter your circumstances, ASIC's MoneySmart website has tips and tools to help you manage your money. The website has targeted calculators and many pages of guidance on:

- borrowing and credit
- superannuation and retirement
- budgeting and saving
- investing
- scams
- free and confidential financial counselling offered by community organisations, community legal centres and some government agencies.



The MoneySmart website can be accessed at <https://moneysmart.gov.au/>

Help Wonder turn **BREAD BAGS** into **SCHOOL PLAY EQUIPMENT**



It's simple...

1

Collect your empty bread bags and tags



2

Recycle them at school in Wonder's pink Collection Bin
(There is a separate box for bread tags).



3

We'll earn reward points to redeem new sports equipment for every 5kg bin filled!



Our school is in the draw to **WIN 1 of 5** exercise circuits made from recycled plastic we collect!

LET'S GET RECYCLING!

Tag Wonder on social **#wonderrecycling** to share all your recycling champion stories!



The Woden School is collecting any brand of

*bread bags

*wrap packets

or

*bread tags

We are working towards getting some new sporting equipment.

Please send your donations to the Front Office

Woden School Canteen Menu Term 2 2021

Food freshly prepared by the student canteen work team.



WEDNESDAYS

Recess only

- Muffins/ slices/cakes
- Biscuits
- Mini sausage roll / Spinach feta roll
- Vegetable hot chips
- Bliss Balls
- Mini quiche
- Fruit salad
- Pie
- Mini Hot dog

Drinks - lunch and recess

- Juices - apple, orange
- Flavored milk – chocolate, strawberry
- Dairy free fruit smoothies - made fresh
- Chill Drink 100% natural fruit sparking drink

Lunch only

Sandwiches

- Vegemite or cheese or chicken
- Meat + Cheese + Salad

Wraps

- Ham, Chicken, Cheese, Tomato, Salad (lettuce, Tomato, red onion, cucumber, Carrot) and mayonnaise
- Toasted

Salad Box

- Lettuce, tomato, beetroot, pumpkin, red onion, feta and dressing

- Jumbo Spinach and Feta roll
- Jumbo Sausage roll

Gluten free, lactose free and vegetarian alternatives provided.
It is important that you indicate food allergies when ordering.

How to Order

Orders must be placed in the bucket at the front office on Wednesday mornings. Clearly write on a paper bag: name, year, lunch order with amount included.

If purchasing a weekly special, please state your preference for meat or vegetarian option.

- \$1.50
- \$1.00
- \$2.00
- \$2.00
- \$1.50
- \$2.00
- \$4.00
- \$2.00

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- \$4.00
- \$4.00

WEEKLY SPECIALS

\$7.00

- Week 1:** Beef/Vegetarian Lasagne
- Week 2:** Pumpkin Soup with toasted Sour Dough
- Week 3:** Meat Ball Sub
- Week 4:** Beef/Vegetarian Curry
- Week 5:** Spaghetti Bolognese
- Week 6:** Beef/Vegetarian Tacos
- Week 7:** Shepherd Pie
- Week 8:** Minestrone Soup
- Week 9:** Pizza – Meat/Vegetarian
- Week 10:** Chilli Con Carne with Corn Chips

