



THE WODEN SCHOOL

Independence & Responsibility



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Principal's Report

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this newsletter finds you all well as we start semester 2.

At the beginning of term we welcomed Janelle Munson as the executive teacher for years 7 and 8. Janelle joins us from Malkara and is well known to staff and students. We also welcome some new students and families to our school community. I look forward to meeting you and learning more about how we can support you and your young person.

Teachers have completed the unit outlines and plans for the semester. Every student works towards achievement standards based on their personalised program. While COVID-19 has changed how we gather as a whole community, you are invited to discuss your young person's progress and plans with their teachers. Meetings can be either in person, phone or online.

I've received very helpful feedback from different families throughout the year and welcome your perspective on what is working well, and areas we can offer more. The parent/carer survey results from last term have been useful in planning for semester 2. The main areas of focus you will notice are social/emotional learning and post-school transition planning. We learnt from the survey that communication is most effective through pastoral care teachers, the school website and the school's Facebook page. We will continue to work to strengthen those areas.

The Education Directorate School Satisfaction Survey is open and is a valuable tool for us to reflect on how we work as well as opportunities for us to plan for 2021. I encourage you to please complete the survey.

Kind regards,
Tabatha

**Issue 3
Term 3
2020**

Acting Principal

- Tabatha Kellett

Acting Deputy Principal

- Peter Taylor

Business Manager

- Jenna Blake

Executive Teachers

- Janelle Munson
- Amy Crowe, acting
- Alice Ziolo

Pastoral Care

- Rowena Van Ballegooyen

School Psychologist

- Justine Rainey

Front Office

- Melinda Harrison
- Narelle Leonard
- Sandra Cusack

UPCOMING Events

Wednesday 26 August	Assembly 10am
Wednesday 9 September	Assembly 10am And Parent/ teacher afternoon 4-6pm
Thursday 10 September	R U OK Day Disco
Friday 25 September	Holidays Start



THE WOODEN SCHOOL
Learning & Leadership

2017 - 2021

Our Priorities

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



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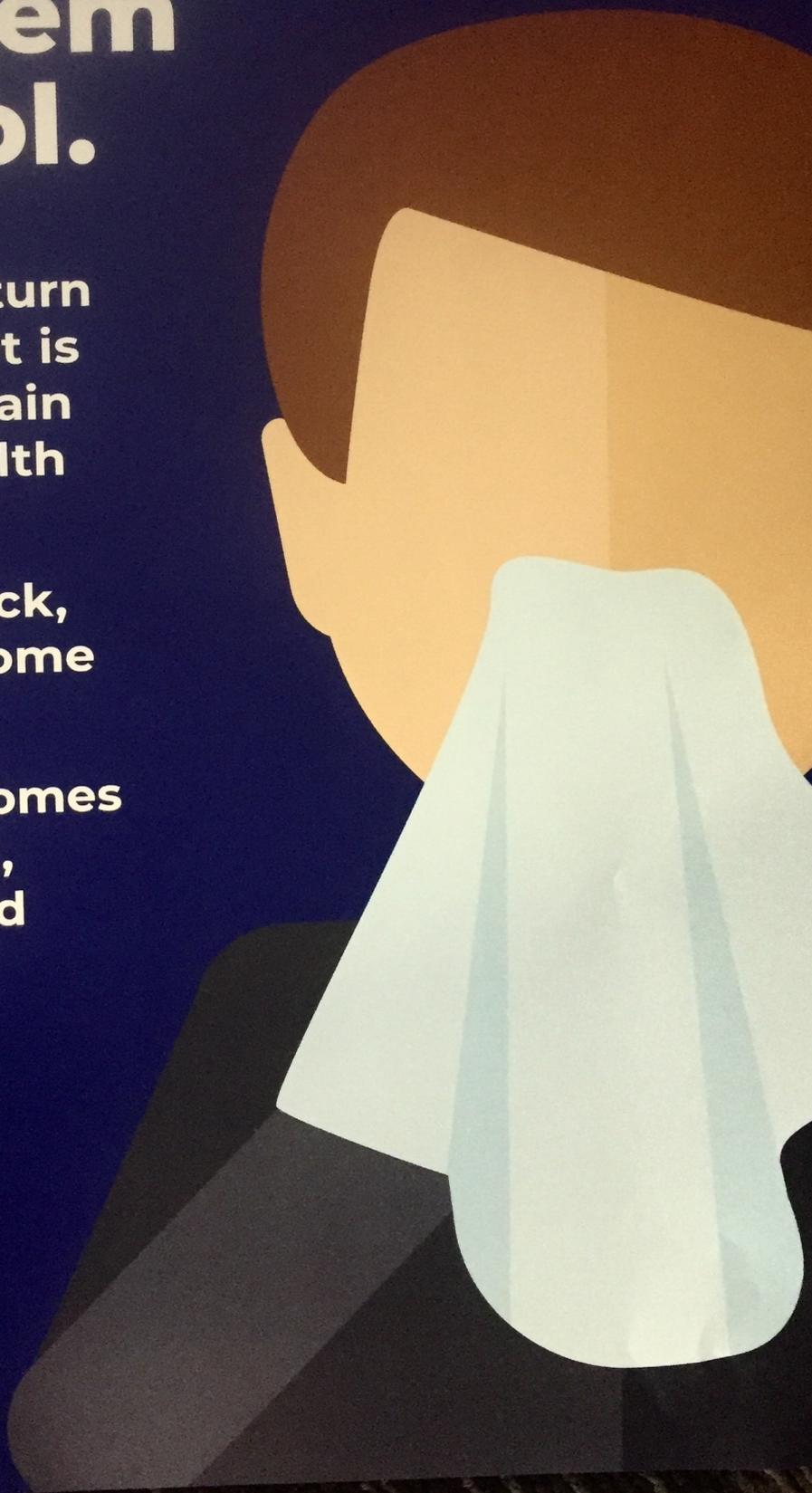
If your child is sick, don't bring them to school.

As our children return to the classroom, it is important we remain vigilant about health and hygiene.

- If your child is sick, they must not come to school.
- If your child becomes unwell at school, you will be asked to collect them.



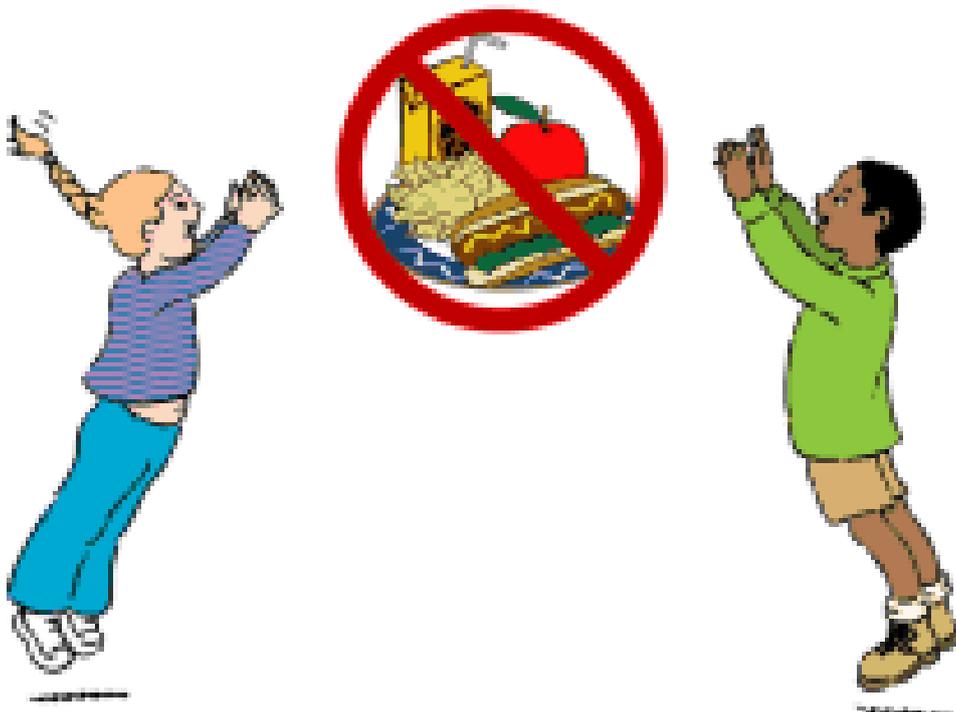
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Be NUT AWARE

We are ALLERGY-AWARE

The Woden School encourages
parents and carers to be NUT aware.
Please avoid NUT products and spreads
in lunches and snacks



Please encourage students
NOT to share food and to frequently wash
hands



Hello. My name is Janelle Munson. I am new to The Woden School this term and I'm the Executive Teacher for the Junior Sub-School. Prior to The Woden School have worked in a number of settings in both NSW and in the ACT, including Cranleigh and Malkara Specialist Schools. I have a particular interest in Information Technology and ensuring that our staff have access to the expertise required to deliver quality, appropriate programs in the classroom. I am excited to be a part of the community at The Woden School and I look forward to sharing in your students learning.



Joel has been working very hard to finish his clock. Both Joel and I are very proud of his effort to get this done by the end of Semester 1.



Did you know there are over 5,000 satellites in orbit?

One of these satellites will fly over Canberra and the Northern Territory next week collecting images for the ultimate, out of this world, selfie!

Woden School will be spelling out the word WODEN on the school oval. Lets hope the weather gods are kind to us and we can get ourselves on the Satellite next week.

Wish us luck.

Junior Sub-School
Welcome|back to Term 3!



Years 7 and 8 have had a fabulous start back at school. We have been engaged in many activities including cooking, team building, Textiles, Science and even a fundraising disco!

IMPORTANT CONTACTS

Front office:

61420200

<http://www.thewodens.act.edu.au/>

Special Needs Transport:

62053555

<https://www.transport.act.gov.au/about-us/accessible-travel/special-needs-transport-for-students>

Q City:

61289313

<https://www.qcitytransit.com.au/>

Communities @ work

0417043761

<https://commsatwork.org/>

Feros Care (NDIS contact):

1300986970

<https://www.feroscare.com.au/ndis>

Nutrition Australia:

61622583

<https://www.nutritionaustralia.org/>

Middle Sub School Welcome to Term 3!



Years 9 and 10 have had a wonderful start back at school. We have been engaged in many electives including cooking, photography and ceramics! We also participated in the National Pyjama day fundraiser and disco.

Work Experience at The Woden School



Sophie Princehorn has been attending *Central Bark Pet Styling* in Gungahlin and is learning how to wash and blow dry dogs.



Allie Wilson has been involved at a Work Experience Placement (WEX) at *Woolworths* in Woden and has enjoyed her time in the Bakery learning how to ice and package delicious treats.

2020 School Satisfaction & Climate Survey

Each year, the Directorate surveys all parents, school staff and students in Years 4 to 12 about their satisfaction with public education. The *2020 School Satisfaction & Climate Survey* will be available online from **10 to 31 August**.

The survey results will help us to continue to make quality informed decisions about how to improve our school. No personal identifying information will be provided to any school or college.

An email about the **staff survey**, including a unique link to access the survey, will be sent to all school staff via the email address they have nominated for their payslips; staff who do not receive the email may contact EDUSurveys@act.gov.au to request a survey invitation.

For each child in their family who attends an ACT public school, parents will receive:

- A letter about the **student survey** asking whether their child may participate during class time; and
- An email about the **parent survey**, including a unique link to access the survey; parents who do not receive the email may contact EDUSurveys@act.gov.au to request a survey invitation.

A shortened paper-version of the **parent survey** is also available in the following 12 languages: Arabic, Burmese, Chinese, Dari, Dinka, Farsi, Hindi, Karen, Korean, Mon, Urdu and Vietnamese; email EDUSurveys@act.gov.au to request a copy.

For the results to reflect the opinions of our whole school community, we need as many parents, staff and students as possible to complete the survey. Your feedback is important, and we hope you will take part.

For more information, visit: <https://www.education.act.gov.au/public-school-life/school-satisfaction-and-climate-survey>



The *Disability Standards for Education 2005* (the Standards) help make sure students with disability in Australia can access and participate in education on the same basis as students without disability. The Australian Government Department of Education, Skills and Employment, on behalf of the Minister for Education, is undertaking a review of the Standards through an extensive community consultation process. The Standards are reviewed every five years to test if they are effective in achieving their objectives and whether any improvements could be made.

Current, former and prospective students with disability, their families and carers, advocates, educators and other members of the public are invited to share their experiences, views and ideas to inform the Review of the Standards. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, engagement activities will mostly be held online via a dedicated 2020 Review [Consultation Hub](https://disabilitystandardsreview.education.gov.au/). To register to be involved or to make a submission visit the [Consultation Hub](https://disabilitystandardsreview.education.gov.au/). The consultations are open until 11.59pm AEST on Friday, 25 September 2020.

<https://disabilitystandardsreview.education.gov.au/>

STUDENT ARRIVAL PROCESS

Due to Covid19 restrictions

- ◆ You are welcome to walk your young person into front of the school but please encourage them to walk down to their class independently. The front office is always happy to assist.
- ◆ All visitors must sign in at the front office, even if the visit is 2 minutes. This is to ensure everyone's safety in case of an emergency.

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ACT HEALTH AND WELLBEING SERVICES AND RESOURCES FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

ACT Education and ACT Health have collaborated to list health and wellbeing services and resources available to children and young people in two fact sheets for families, educators and wellbeing support staff. These fact sheets will help families and schools navigate the options available to them that are most appropriate to address the child or young person's needs.

Please share these fact sheets with your school communities and staff. The fact sheets are available on the ACT Health website and will be updated regularly so we ask you to circulate these links to [health and wellbeing services](#) and [health and wellbeing resources](#) so families and staff have access to the latest information available.

Contact: [Clinical Practice](#)

2020



FutureChoices

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Future Choices **VIRTUAL** Transition Expo

Information for Students with Disability in School,
VET, & University - Living in Regional/Rural NSW/ACT

Wednesday 9 September 9.00 am – 5.00 pm



Who should come? Transitioning with disability needs a bit more planning...

- Students with disability from school, Vocational Education & Training (VET), & universities in regional, rural & remote NSW/ACT who need information & support in the move to life after study
- Families-carers, school-VET-uni staff, services & providers who need information, links & resources to assist transitioning students/people with disability

Exhibitors will include universities, VET providers, apprenticeship/traineeship providers, employers, employment services, disability services, government agencies, assistive technology providers, support services, community connections & more!

You may not think of yourself as having a 'disability' but the definition is broad & includes learning disability, Autism Spectrum Disorder, medical conditions, mental illness, physical conditions, sensory impairments, intellectual disability, & much more

**FREE TO ATTEND | USE YOUR COMPUTER/DEVICE TO WALK THE VIRTUAL LOBBY & EXHIBITOR HALL
ZOOM/TEXT DIRECTLY WITH EXHIBITORS | LOAD RESOURCES INTO YOUR VIRTUAL BACKPACK
VIEW VIDEOS IN THE VIRTUAL AUDITORIUM & FROM EXHIBITOR TABLES
EXPO STAYS ONLINE FOR 3 MONTHS AFTER LIVE DAY ON 9 SEPT | FULLY ACCESSIBLE PLATFORM**

Expo Queries

Email or call Career Links futurechoices@careerlinks.nsw.edu.au | ☎ 4967 1050

Attendee Registration Link <https://futurechoices.vfairs.com>

Exhibitor Query (transition related services) futurechoices@careerlinks.nsw.edu.au



*An event brought to you by Career Links, NDCO Program, NSW
Department of Education Support Teachers Transition & school staff*

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NDCO
National Disability Coordination Officer Program
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Woden School Canteen Menu Term 3 2020

Food freshly prepared by the student canteen work team.



WEDNESDAYS

Recess

Muffins/ slices/cakes	\$1.50
Biscuits	\$0.50c
Mini sausage roll / Spinach feta roll	\$2.00
Vegetable hot chips	\$2.00
Bliss Balls	\$0.50c
Mini quiche	\$1.50
Fruit salad	\$2.00

Drinks - lunch and recess

Water 350mL	\$1.50
Juices - apple, orange	\$2.00
Flavored milk – chocolate, strawberry	\$2.50
Dairy free fruit smoothies - made fresh	\$3.00

Lunch only

Sandwiches

Vegemite or cheese or chicken	\$3.00
Meat + Cheese + Salad	\$4.00

Wraps

Ham, Chicken, Cheese, Tomato, Salad (lettuce, Tomato, red onion, cucumber, Carrot) and mayonnaise Toasted	\$4.50 \$0.50
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Salad Box

Lettuce, tomato, beetroot, red onion, feta and dressing	\$6.00
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<u>Soup and a roll</u>	\$4.00
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Jumbo Spinach and Feta roll	\$4.00
Jumbo Sausage roll	\$4.00

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.

WEEKLY SPECIALS

\$6.00

Week 1 Shepherd's Pie – meat/veg

Week 2 Curry – chicken/veg

Week 3 Pizza – supreme/veg

Week 4 Spaghetti – meat/veg

Week 5 Stir-fry - Chicken or veg

Week 6 Butter Chicken – veg option

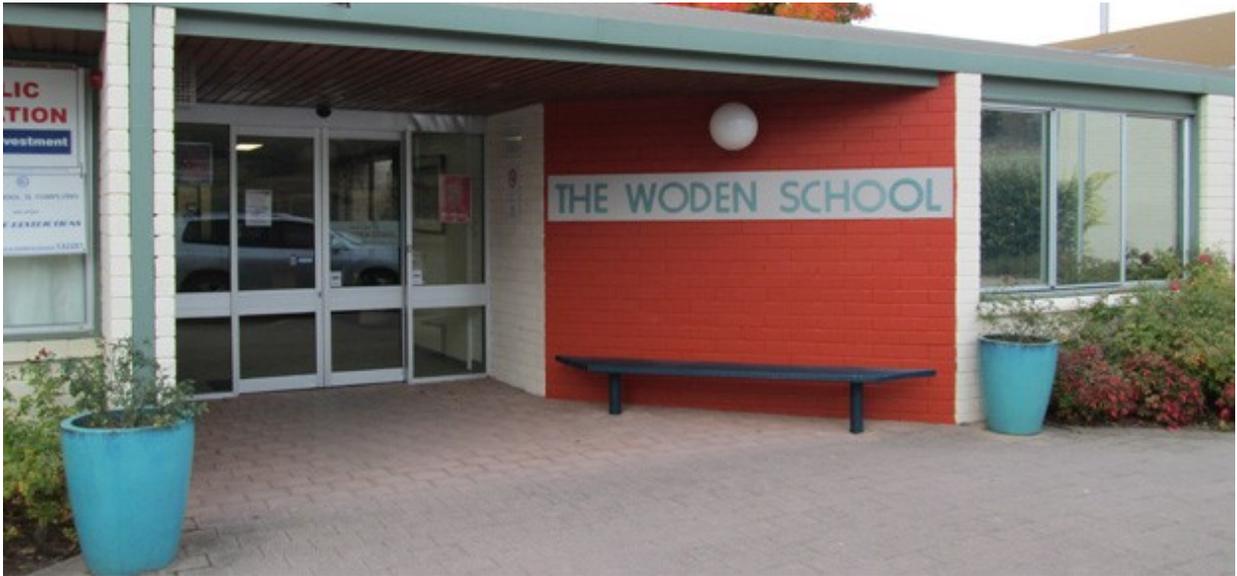
Week 7 Cannelloni – meat/veg

Week 8 Burrito – meat/veg

Week 9 Pasties – meat/veg

Week 10 Burgers – Chicken or veg





If your child is unwell or going to be absent, please notify the Staff in the Front Office on 6142 0200 .