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## IMPORTANT DATES

### January 2026

Monday 2nd - Students PP-6 return

Wednesday 4th - Kindy Return

## VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS RAFFLE WINNERS

Congratulations to the following winners:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Prize 2 x \$50 Coles & Woolworths Gift Vouchers & \$25 Quin's Butcher Gift Voucher - Camden Whittaker (Pre-Primary)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize \$100 Grass Valley Tavern Gift Voucher - Emmett Martinovich (Year 5)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize \$100 - The Riverside Hotel - April Wise (Year 6)

## CUSTOM GO KART FOR APRIL

The Wundowie Men's Shed has been hard at work building a go-kart in preparation for April and next year's Billy Cart event in Wundowie. This project showcases the Men's Shed's commitment to supporting community events and sharing their talents with local families. We look forward to seeing their finished go-kart hit the track and add to the fun and excitement of the Billy Cart event next year.



## VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS

You can pay your voluntary contributions via EFT or EFTPOS



WE RELY ON YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS SO THAT WE CAN ENSURE THE SUSTAINABILITY OF PROVIDING EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES, SUCH AS COOKING AND CREATING SPECIAL PROJECTS FOR FATHER'S DAY, MOTHER'S DAY, AND OTHER IMPORTANT DATES.

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## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

For our final newsletter for the year I will begin by acknowledging Ms Hale. It has been a pleasure helping out while Ms Hale is recovering from her injury. She is leading a school that is in a good position with the children well cared for and educated. The care and commitment of the staff here is clearly evident. They support the children and each other. Ms Hale will be on a 'return to work' schedule in 2026, which means the department physician and occupational health section will gradually build up her hours until she is full time. As such, I will be continuing on to support Mrs Hale as the year begins.

We started the year with our new playgroup starting up and running successfully on site. Thank you to our playgroup co-ordinators.

Thank you so much to the Wooroloo Prison Section 95 Crew for their assistance in repainting our hallways as well as all their maintenance work around our School. Thanks to this Crew we will be having some more classrooms painted over these holidays.

Thank you for the immense support from the Wundowie Men's Shed. They have provided some fabulous assistance and help this year, creating things, assisting with tasks, providing that spare pair of hands or creative can-do.

Our students enjoy breakfast club throughout the week which couldn't run without volunteers. Our EAs help out on those mornings, providing juice, toast, fruit and spaghetti or baked beans to get the children off to a good start.

Our Chaplain Rowan du Boulay supports not only our children, but the community too with weekly deliveries of bread for families. To end the year Rowan has sourced some Christmas food hampers for our families in need. Thank you to Rowan and the community groups who provide for us.

We have worked through and achieved a successful Public School Review which has allowed us to return to our usual three year cycle. This is a great achievement and will allow clear focus on continued improvement for the next three years.

We have developed our new Three Year Strategic Plan which outlines our goals in the areas of teaching quality, student achievement and progress, learning environment, leadership, use of resources, and relationships and partnerships with community.

We have enjoyed many P&C led events such as Fairy Bread Day, Halloween Walkathon, Crazy Sock Day, etc. Thank you to the P&C crew, they do such an amazing job in supporting the school and students. Sometimes it feels thankless and a bit lonely, but staff and students very much appreciate your support.

Schools are increasingly complex places to learn and work and I have the privilege of experiencing a lot of different school communities. The culture at Wundowie Primary School is positive, committed and caring and we thank our fabulous staff for all their hard work in helping our students thrive.

I would also thank our parents, parent volunteers, caregivers and precious students for being part of our wonderful School community.

Drive safe.

Merry Christmas and happy holidays.

Best of luck to our Year 6s.

Take care, be safe and we'll see you back on Monday 2nd February 2026.



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## ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Our Athletics Carnival with Wooroloo PS was a fantastic success, yet again, marking our second year combining for this special event. Students showed great sportsmanship, teamwork and enthusiasm throughout the day. It was wonderful to see both school communities come together, cheer each other on, and create a fun, supportive atmosphere for everyone. We look forward to continuing this tradition in the years ahead!





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## YEAR 5/6 AVIATION HERITAGE MUSEUM EXCURSION

Year 5/6 students recently enjoyed an exciting excursion to the RAAF Heritage Museum, where they explored aviation history and learned about Australia's Air Force heritage. The visit provided a hands-on learning experience that sparked curiosity and pride in our nation's history.

We would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to David Bell, a past student of Wundowie Primary School, for his generous donation that helped make this memorable experience possible.





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## REMEMBRANCE DAY

Our Year 6 students along with Bakers Hill Primary Schools came together to honour Remembrance Day with respect and gratitude at the Bakers Hill RSL Service. Students and staff paused to reflect on the courage and sacrifice of the men and women who have served, and continue to serve, our country. Through thoughtful readings, a quiet moment of reflection, and the laying of wreaths, we acknowledged the importance of remembering those who fought for the freedoms we enjoy today. Lest We Forget.





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## YEAR 6 GRADUATION

Our Year 6 Graduation was a special celebration of growth, achievement and memories made. We are incredibly proud of our students and all they have accomplished during their time at our school. As they move on to the next chapter of their learning journey, we wish them every success and happiness in the years ahead. Thank you to Jerome James (Ms Stallman's son) for capturing these wonderful moments.





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## END OF YEAR CONCERT

Our End-of-Year Concert was a wonderful celebration of creativity, confidence and community. Students shone on stage with their performances, showcasing the hard work and talent they've developed throughout the year. Thank you to our staff, families, and friends for joining us and making the concert such a memorable way to finish the year.





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## REWARDS DAY

Our End-of-Year Rewards Day Water Fun was a fantastic way to celebrate a year of hard work and positive behaviour. Students enjoyed a fun-filled day of water activities, laughter and teamwork to finish the year on a high note.





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## (PBS) 2025 HIGHLIGHTS

It has been a very successful year for the students and the PBS team. We have worked hard to increase the recognition of positive behaviours displayed by the students, and this is reflected in the number of tokens collected over the year.

Hopefully we will reach 1000 tokens before the end of 2026!

### Whole School Token Tally Update

End of Term 4 2025

We are Respectful	We are Responsible	We Strive to Be Our Best
900	914	931

Commitment

-Ongoing commitment to Positive Behaviour Support (PBS) for the next three years, as outlined in the Business Plan.

#### Team and Collaboration

- PBS team established with a diverse range of staff members.
- Regular team meetings to monitor progress and guide implementation.

#### Data and Behaviour Expectations

- Anecdotal data used to shape and refine the behaviour expectation schedule.
- Regular communication with students about behaviour focus areas and associated rewards.

#### Behaviour Matrix

- Updated behaviour matrix to better reflect the specific needs of Wundowie Primary School.

#### Teaching and Procedures

- Explicit teaching of procedures to ensure consistency and clarity across the school.

#### Student Voice and Rewards



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## PBS Student Reward Survey 2025 Whole School Results

Reward Suggestions	Total
Free dress day	22
Extra recess/lunch play	18
Movie afternoon	17
Arts and craft afternoon	9
STEM Club afternoon	4
Silly sock day	4
<b>Student ideas for reward</b>	
Bring a Teddy to School	3
Icy poles	3
Crazy hair day/Silly hair day	2
Whole school party.	1
Science	1
No school for a week	1
Ice creams	1
iPad afternoon	1
Making slime	1
Teachers be students for a day and students be teachers.	1



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## THANK YOU!!

As we reflect on another busy and rewarding year, we would like to sincerely thank the many individuals and groups who have supported our school and students throughout the year.

We extend our gratitude to the Wundowie P&C for their continued dedication, fundraising efforts and unwavering support of our school. Thank you also to the Wundowie Men's Shed for generously sharing their time, skills and enthusiasm to support projects that benefit our students and wider community.

We would like to acknowledge Wooroloo Prison for their valued support, as well as our incredible Education Assistants who run the Breakfast Club. Your care and commitment ensure our students start each day feeling supported and ready to learn.

A heartfelt thank you goes to our parent volunteers who so willingly give their time to help with events, activities and daily school life. Your involvement makes a meaningful difference.

To our staff, thank you for your dedication, professionalism and genuine care for our students throughout the year.

None of this would be possible without the strong, connected community we are fortunate to live in. Wundowie is a community that truly comes together to support its young people, and we are incredibly proud to be part of such a caring and generous town.

Thank you all for making Wundowie such a special place.



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You will learn to:

- Understand your child's emotional world & emotional needs
- Support your child's ability to successfully manage emotions
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(please note this series of workshops runs for 8 weeks)

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## Resilience

Just like juggling a pile of balloons and trying to keep them all in the air, life has its ups and downs, twists and turns, successes and failures. We need to have resilience to manage life's ups and downs.

Resilience is the happy knack of being able to bungy jump through the pitfalls of life – to maintain or re-establish our mental health and wellbeing in the face of significant changes or challenges. Resilience is fluid and related to the challenge/s at the time.

### Benefits of high levels of resilience

- More likely to achieve academic success and higher levels of schooling
- Better physical and mental health
- More likely to have healthy lifestyles and relationships
- Less likely to engage in problematic drug use and other high-risk behaviours

### Things you can do to build resilience

- End the day reflecting on one positive thing that's happened in the last 24 hours- 'relive' the experience and its benefits.
- 10 seconds of music or 4 minutes of exercise or laughter -instantly improves mood and changes negative thinking patterns into positive ones.
- Develop a 'toolbox' of resilience skills

Remember stress is healthy for example playing sport on the weekend and being worried about not winning- this stress can be motivating and feels exciting. But stress is damaging when it becomes overwhelming and outside our normal coping abilities. Seek help when it starts to overwhelm you.

For more information you can go to:

- The Australian parenting website: [Raising Children Network](#)
- [Building Resilience In Children - For Parents of Young Kids | SDERA](#)
- [Health Related Topics - For Parents of Primary Students | SDERA](#)
- [Secondary Years Students - Parents Role In Their Resilience Education | SDERA](#)
- [Student health and wellbeing - Department of Education](#)