

Sports Day

What an incredible day our 2023 Sports Day was, held on the last day of term. It was a stressful week leading up to the big day, crossing fingers that the weather would hold out. Thankfully, the day was perfect!

For the first time in 6 years, Tarnda was victorious, winning the Sports Day Shield. ❤️ 🏆

Special mention to Kadli, who took home the Spirit Cup. 🌟



All students participated on the day with enthusiasm and persistence. As always, we were proud to see the wonderful sportsmanship shown by all.

Our Tribe leaders were EXCEPTIONAL and did a magnificent job of supporting their fellow Tribe throughout the day - congratulations.

Thank you to all involved who made this such a special day, especially Mr Haines who co-ordinated the event perfectly.

Mothers Day Stall

Our Mothers Day Stall will be held this Friday. Each class will have the opportunity to browse the stall and purchase items for a special person in their lives.

Gifts range from \$1 - \$10, cash only accepted.

Students to bring a shopping or canvas bag to store their purchased item/s.



Principal's Corner

We hope everyone is recharged after a restful break. We have some BIG things planned for everyone to get excited for this term.

The countdown is on for our spectacular event - Fringedigenous. ❤️ 🟡 ❤️

Students and teachers have been working hard to ensure the night is one not to be missed. Students are excited to share their learning with you as well as showcase how much they shine on the mainstage during their year level performances.

Teachers are excited to meet with their students' families during Parent Interviews this week. This is a wonderful opportunity to engage with your child's teacher to discuss your child's progress and celebrate their success. We hope you find it a valuable and positive experience.



Mark Your Calendar

TERM 2

Friday 12 May

Mothers Day Stall

Monday 8 - Thursday 11 May

Parent Teacher Interviews

Monday 29 May - Friday 2 June

Reconciliation Week

Friday 2 June

Fringedigenous

Monday 12 June

King's Birthday Holiday

Fringedigenous



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PARENT INFORMATION

Your child will be performing at Fringedigenous, under the lights of our main stage. It is expected that they attend. Professional choreographers and performers are currently conducting workshops with your children.

All students are now involved in a unit of learning, focusing on an aspect of Indigenous culture. Your child will create a product, showcased on the evening which you can 'snap up' for a donation. \$\$\$

Fringedigenous is an event like no other and one not to be missed. Invite your family and friends!

Expect:

- Engaging student performances
- Stalls displaying and selling Indigenous products
- Incredible local musicians and artists
- A variety of food trucks to keep hungry bellies full
- Sporting interactive zone.... and so much more!

TICKETS \$5 WESTPORT STUDENTS FREE

STUDENTS MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT AT ALL TIMES

The countdown is well and truly on for our Fringedigenous event. Be sure to secure your tickets from the payment window or via Qkr!

All children from Preschool to Year 6 have been enjoying regular dance workshops ready for their performance on the night. They are also excited to share their learning, each building having their own stall showcasing their hard work.

We have tickets on sale for the greatest raffle of all time! All proceeds supporting our Fringedigenous evening. Tickets can be purchased after school from the stall by the flagpole. Eftpos facilities now available.

Prizes include:

- An iPhone 14
- Crows and Port signed guernsey
- Custom Indigenous Artwork Nike shoes
- Gift cards.... And so much more!

Colour Fun Run

At the end of last term we launched our School Colour Fun Run to raise money for our School Sports & PE Program.

Two students were awarded **100 Point Tribe Tokens** for fundraising the most money over the school holidays.

Congratulations Zayd and Eliza. 🎉👏

If your child has not yet created a profile, this is what you need to do **NOW?**

Step 1: Log onto www.myprofilepage.com.au

Step 2: Create your profile with your parents

Step 3: Edit your profile online

Step 4: Parents to share profile online & start fundraising 😊

How Do We Fundraise?

Fundraising is entirely online. Follow the instructions above to create a cybersafe, online profile page. At the end of our fundraiser, students can order up to 5 prizes based on their donations received. They can even mix and match!

Please note: all cash donations must be handed to the Front Office before 7/7/23.

If you fundraise money, you have the chance to receive cool prizes. Make sure to look through the prizes, set a fundraising goal and get fundraising today!

Extra Incentives to Fundraise!

- Online Golden Coins - complete fun online tasks to redeem an extra \$75 towards your prize credit.
- Monty the Monster's Bonus Prizes - achieve milestones to unlock Monty's bonus prizes.
- \$10,000 JB HI FI Spending Spree for one organisation's highest fundraising student - it could be you!
- Our school will win an extra \$5,000 if we have the highest average fundraised amount per student in 2023.

Happy fundraising! 😊

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**\$3 EACH
OR
2 FOR \$5**



GRAND PRIZE

**Apple iPhone
14**



**AVAILABLE FROM THE FRONT OFFICE OR
AFTER SCHOOL BY THE FLAG POLE**

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Making the most of your parent-teacher interview

It makes sense for you as a parent to be prepared and ready to make the most of the brief time you have with teachers.



Parent-teacher interviews provide a great opportunity for you as a parent to find out how your child is progressing at school.

Many parent-teacher interviews are tightly scheduled and can seem a little rushed. Teachers are generally highly organised so they can make the most of the time you have together.

It makes sense also for you as a parent to be prepared and ready to make the most of the brief time you have with teachers.

Here are some guidelines to make the most of these interviews:

- 1. Prepare well.** Before the interview, list any questions that you want to raise. Keep questions short and to the point.
- 2. Attend with a partner or friend** particularly if you are nervous or unsure. It is easy to miss a point and often difficult to relay information to a partner.
- 3. Give the teacher a chance** to make an assessment of your child's progress. This may seem obvious but some interviews never get off the ground because enthusiastic parents take over.
- 4. Take notes and clarify information that you don't understand.** "What do you mean by 'he needs to spend more time reading'...?" Make sure you have a good understanding of the messages your child's teacher is giving.
- 5. Be prepared to give an assessment of your child's performance.** You may be asked how you think your child is performing so give an honest, but realistic assessment.

6. Ask how you can help your child if there are any areas that need to be strengthened. No doubt your child's teacher will have some strategies for you to assist your child, so make sure you have a clear understanding before you leave.

If there are unresolved issues or you wish to discuss your child's difficulties in greater detail, consider asking for another interview. This is being respectful of the teacher's time and of those parents who are to follow.

Once the interview is over consider how you will discuss it with your child.

Avoid giving generalisations or simplistic appraisals such as: "The teacher says you are a good girl."

Discuss areas that need work in positive terms. Talk about strengths or successes first before discussing areas that may need more work.

A clear message such as, "We talked about your reading and the teacher suggested that we should try..." is far more helpful.

Involve your child in discussing any plans for improvement. Avoid making big plans for your child to improve in a subject area without consulting him or her. By involving children and taking notice of their ideas plans are more likely to be successful.

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