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**Term 2, Week 6      Wednesday 2 June      2021      No 8**

### DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday 4 June	School assembly 9am
Friday 11 June	Dress up Day, more information below
Monday 14 June	Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
Friday 25 June	School assembly
Friday 2 July	Last day of term 2:25pm dismissal

### Principal

Last Friday the staff completed their last training in Berry Street, the final theme was 'Character'. This focused on values and character strengths. I would like to thank Alison Pietsch for leading this work at our school and across the partnership.

This week we have two year 10 high school students placed at the school. They are supporting classroom teachers and students and gaining an insight into teaching as they consider it a future career.

Last week Leanne Jones presented a workshop on reading to interested parents. Although the group was small the parents who attended gained valuable knowledge on how to support their children in the reading process. These parents are also school reading volunteers and will be able to use their new knowledge to help other students. We will look at offering the workshop again next term at an alternative time. Early Years families please also keep a look out for SeeSaw videos and messages on Heggerty and reading strategies and comprehension skills.

### Pie Drive

Last week families should have received their Pie Drive order forms. If not please speak to your child's teacher or you can obtain one from the Office. Orders close on Wednesday 16 June.

### Deputy Principal



#### Book Fair

Classes have enjoyed visiting the Book Fair this week. It continues until Friday. Opening times for parents are:

- 8.15am-9am each morning
- Wednesday and Friday 2pm – 3.45pm
- Thursday 2pm-2.45pm

Please check in upon arrival, sanitise and maintain physical distancing.

A huge thank you to Cheryl Seabrook for her organisation and running of the Book Fair.



### Report folders

A friendly reminder that those students who still have a blue Student Report Folder could you please return them to school in readiness for Mid-Year Reports to be sent home. We no longer issue the folders, reports will be sent home in an envelope on Wednesday of Week 10 (June 30<sup>th</sup>).

Student Wellbeing Leader

**Student Voice – Dress Up Day!**

Student Voice are hosting a dress up day on Friday 11/6 (week 7). Students may dress up in a favourite costume or outfit (please just make sure it's appropriate for participating in school activities eg: footwear for PE and playing in the yard). There is no cost for dressing up on the day as it's not a fundraiser, just a fun event for students to look forward to!

**Spotlight on Wellbeing: Morning Circles**

A "morning circle" (also called "community circle" or "morning meeting") is a practice across all classes at Waikerie Primary School. A *morning circle* may look a little different in each class, depending on age and needs of the students, however generally consists of students greeting each other, sharing announcements or good news, engaging in conversation (eg a question of the day) and a 'positive primer' which is a short game or activity that builds positive emotion or humour. When students are feeling connected, positive, comfortable and relaxed – they are more likely to be ready to learn! *Morning circles* are an important part of supporting students to be *ready to learn*.

Students provided the following feedback about how morning circles are an important part of their daily routine:

"Makes it better [the day] because it eases you into learning; get to hear other people's opinions" *Year 7 student*

"Makes it better [the day] because if there is a new kid we could introduce ourselves. We can say what we did on the weekend. Sometimes we do a game. I like that we get to see our classmates and get focussed" *Year 4 student*

"Makes me feel better; usually if we don't do one & we are rushing then I don't have a good day; I like the fun activities like games and doing breathing" *Year 3 student*

"We could express our feelings and learn to talk in front of the class; yes made the day better" *Year 6 student*

"I like the nice comments we get from each other" *Year 2 student*

"I like that I get to tell my teacher and my friends stuff that's very exciting" *Year 1 student*