



# Middle Indigo Primary School

## 9/3/2021

### Swimming Lessons



Students and staff spent much of last week attending the Wodonga Leisure Centre Pool for our annual week of swimming lessons.

The students started the week by doing a practise swim and from there were split into groups for the week. Much of the lessons were focused on floating, and swim strokes; but other areas were covered as well. Pool safety, swim safety, rescue technics and how to call for help were covered as well.

The students completed a number of laps each day. Many of the laps were done using backstroke and this led to an unprecedented amount of collisions and miss direction from the students.

On the last day of lessons the groups joined together again for "The Whirlpool."

The students all ran in a circle in one direction for a minute and then floated around in a circle. This was repeated a number of times and in various directions.

It was a fun and informative week, whilst also quite exhausting for the students. We managed to keep the lost property department busy as the week progressed, but thankfully no lost trousers this year.

### Welcome to School Gathering 24<sup>th</sup> March

We will have our annual welcome to school BBQ and get together at 5:00 pm March 24<sup>th</sup> (Wednesday).

This is an opportunity for families to visit the school and meet with other parents and the school staff. The students will be running a Junior School Council fundraising BBQ with burgers, sausages and drinks at very reasonable prices. The classrooms will be open and we are hoping for a performance from our newly formed school choir. In addition, the sports shed will be open for some games and fun.

Added to the event, the Indigo Valley Community is running an information night about various projects in the Valley and community actions taking place, particularly in regard to Covid recovery and reconnecting as a stronger community. There will be displays from some interest groups as well.

We are hoping that combining the two events will go some ways to highlighting our school and building community recognition of the schools place in the Valley.

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2021.**

**5 - 8pm**

**Where: Middle Indigo Primary School**

**710 Indigo Creek Rd**

**Indigo Valley**

**Welcome to School**

**You are invited to the school and community gathering which provides an opportunity to;**

- **Catch up with existing and meet/welcome new friends and acquaintances in the school and local community.**
- **View the school buildings and facilities, which are available for the whole of community use by arrangement.**
- **Share ideas on the resilience and future needs of the Indigo Valley Community.**

# MIDDLE INDIGO - RURAL LIVING LEARNING AND BEYOND

## Chinese Class Play

Chinese class held its first ever play. The play was based on the Chinese New Year celebrations. Using an ancient story\myths that explored why certain activities take place at Chinese New Year.

Elyse, Gizelle and Jordi put on a fantastic play with much laughter and engagement from the audience. Gizelle in particular, wore a genuine Chinese Dress that pretty much stole the show.

A big thankyou to the students and to Ms Sok Yi for the delightful distraction to our day.



Chinese New Year Play

## School Council

Vacancies are opening up for the School Council this Year.

Being a member of School Council involves a full School Council meeting two to three times a term during school term. School Council drives the direction the school will take over the next twelve months.

Nomination forms are located at the front desk or you may ask for a nomination form to be delivered home. Nominations are open until the 22 March.

## Street Library



We are setting up an Indigo Valley Street Library at school, in co-operation with the Indigo Valley Community. We are painting up a convenient proto book cupboard that will handle the Junior Library, whilst the Community is working on the general library, We are planning to have the library space on the east side of the facilities block. It will be open for all in the community. The idea is to borrow a book or add to the library with your own book(s). It is a program in place in many connected communities and we are very excited to host the library at school. It also puts the school in the community's eye, which is very good for the Valley and the school community.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Important Dates

March 23 <sup>rd</sup>	School Council\Annual General Meeting
March 24 <sup>th</sup>	Indigo Valley Community Event
1 <sup>st</sup> April	End of Term One
19 <sup>th</sup> April	Term Two begins



The Whirl Pool

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## STOP PRESS

Middle Indigo Girl Guides had their Oath Taking ceremony at school this afternoon.

The students received a pin, a scarf and sash. We have recorded the ceremony on Webex and will have copies for any parent wishing to watch the event.

The girls also received some bubble wands and had a terrific time playing and celebrating being a Girl Guide.

A big thankyou to Lynne Emblin and the special guest presenter Gwen Anderson (Guides Hume Region Manager) and the Chiltern Girl Guides Group.

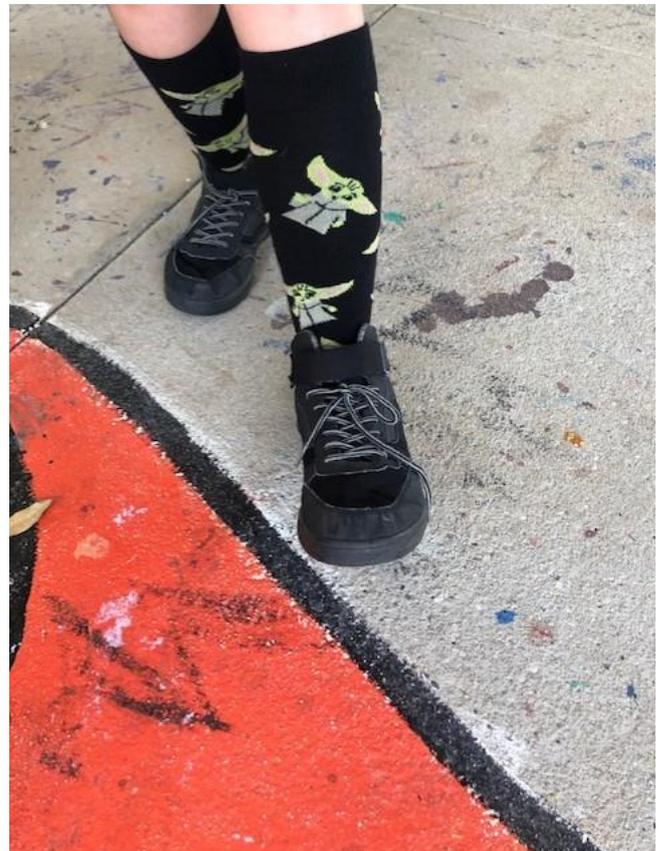
More info to come....



Celebrating



Middle Indigo Girl Guides Group



Abbey McLean's interesting Guide Socks?



# Artists of the Week

