



Middle Indigo Primary School

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Habitat incursion

We had a terrific performance at school last Wednesday exploring the theme of the environment and what students can do to protect our flora and fauna.

Students interacted with the performer and a number of different characters and puppets.

Our students were very knowledgeable already on a number of the topics explored, but still managed to learn some new facts and strategies for their futures.



Ryan – Catching the world

Wooragee Primary School visit

The senior class visited Wooragee Primary school last Monday. The students met their counterparts at the school and participated in a work activity exploring the way the parliament works. It was a daunting thing for our students to rock up at another school and join in, and I was very happy with their attitude and behaviour on the day.

We shared a lunch and had a look at their school, as well as the new lambs and chooks in the playground.

Next Monday Wooragee comes to Middle Indigo and we get to wow them with our school and show them how we learn here.

(Also how to sit still on the floor)

Parent Opinion Survey

WE WANT OUR PARENTS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK!

The survey are anonymous and close on **Sunday 11th August**.

Our school is conducting the annual survey to find out what parents think of our school. The Parent Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education and Training. It is designed to assist schools in gaining an understanding of parents' perceptions of school climate, student behaviour and student engagement. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies.

Students have brought home a letter with the web address and the password and additional information.

Skiing

Next Tuesday (13th August) is our annual ski, toboggan and snow play day.

The bus will depart at **precisely** 9:00am from school and travel to Mount Buffalo via Porepunkah. We will be on the mountain for around three hours before returning to school at 3:30pm. Robbie will run the bus later on Tuesday afternoon to allow students to still travel home by the bus.

The cost of the excursion is \$11.00. This has been subsidised by our terrific fundraising crew to keep the price down for all.

We have some ski gear here at school if you wish to borrow. It is limited however. Other options are to hire a jacket, pants etc, from Porepunkah ski hire on the day. Prices are included on the note for the excursion.

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Students will need to bring warm clothes for the snow play and then a change of clothes for the trip back to school.

A really good lunch, snacks and a water bottle as well. There is a small café on the hill that is rather pricey and slow.... But if the students wish to buy a hot drink or snack they may.... However, the day is about play and activity; not snack bar shopping!

Any questions, let me know and I will do my best to help.

Indigo Shire Junior Councillor

Our Junior Shire Councillor, Tayla Leek began her work with the Indigo Shire officers last week at the Wooragee Hall. Tayla spent the day getting to know the other representatives from the Indigo Shire Schools.

Tayla and the crew are now focusing their attention on ideas to fundraise for a project yet to be decided. She will meet four more times this year, culminating in an event or fundraiser later in fourth term.

WHAT IS THAT IN THE OFFICE?

We have acquired a cow..... It is in the front office.



Earlier in the year Mrs Edwards emailed me to suggest we buy a cow???????

"Sure I responded, why not."

Not giving it much thought..... I left it at that.

Well she has come through with a cow.

A big thank you to Dairy Australia for our new school addition. The students have had a conference and decided to name our new school member – '*Indigo.*'

The students are now in the process of designing a new colour scheme for Indigo and will then go about painting her in the new design.

The plan is to then decide on a location for *Indigo* for the coming future. I have given it some thought and am pretty set on one idea, but we will let the students and community have a say as well..... (Anyone have a ladder?)

In the meantime, Jan, is of course delighted to have a friend to share the office with over the next few weeks.

Transition

Year six families should have, by now made a decision as to where their child will go to in 2020. Parents will need to contact their chosen school and commence the enrolment process with the high school.

If you require assistance let me know and I can help.

Transition days will start soon and we will need to organise reports etc for the move to High School

Dates to remember

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| 9 th August | Parent opinion Survey |
| 13 th August | Ski\snow play Mount Buffalo |
| 26 th August | 3 – 6 Wooragee visit |
| 27 th August | Arts Festival – Wodonga Senior |
| 6 th September | Orchestra excursion to Yack |
| 20 th September | Cricket day TBA |