

# Welcome Back!



## WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL!!

We hope everyone had an enjoyable Christmas, New Years and all round summer break with the kids over the holiday period. It was great to have the beautiful weather back, which is still here!

The children happily rolled into school on Tuesday last week and were excited to see their friends again. They're all pumped and ready for a busy term of learning, sports and activities.

We have a busy first term ahead and we are please that our teacher aide Jess Evans is now in 3 days a week Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. SJ is in the office on Tuesday's and Wednesdays. Bought lunches will continue on Tuesdays with hot dogs, sausage rolls and juicies.

So here is to a great first term and fantastic weather to continue.

# STARS OF THE WEEK



**PRINCIPAL' AWARD**  
**Heidi Thatcher**

What a great start in the senior room for 2024. We all love the enthusiasm and effort you are already putting into your learning.



**READING AWARD**  
**Jarrah Rogers**

Amazing start to the year with your reading. Fabulous decoding!

## 2024 School Year

Term 1 - 23 January - 12 April

Term 2 - 29 April - 5 July

Term 3 - 22 July - 27 September

Term 4 - 4th October - 13 December

## UPCOMING EVENTS TERM 1

### Term 1 Events

**Monday, 12th February**  
BOT Meeting

**Wednesday, 14th February**  
FOWS Meeting

**Friday 23rd February**  
Rural Triathlon

**Thursday 29th February - Fri 1st March**  
Years 6-8 MOTU Bike Ride

**Tuesday 5th March**  
Rural Junior Swimming Sports

## Easter

**Friday 29th March**  
Good Friday

**Monday 1st April**  
Easter Monday

**Tuesday 2nd April**  
Easter Tuesday



## **FOWS MEETING - Wednesday 14th February 1.30pm**

FOWS (Friends Of Waerenga O Kuri School) will be holding a meeting in the school staffroom at 1:30pm on Wednesday 14th February to discuss this year's major fundraiser. They would appreciate one parent from each family to attend this meeting.

FOWS is the WOK School parental group who are responsible for organising and running fundraisers for our school. The funds raised go towards funding our amazing teacher aides and annual senior school camps. Without FOWS and our supportive school families, these things wouldn't be possible.

**Parents please come along and lend your support!!**

Rebecca Thatcher runs the FOWS school group. Please contact her if you're unable to attend the meeting, or have anything you'd like to discuss, ph: 863 7128.

**POSITIVE ATTITUDE**





### SCHOOL HATS

A reminder that it's mandatory for children to wear a school hat in the summer months while they're outside on the playground. If your child needs a school hat, we have plenty for sale, available from the school office. Hats cost \$10 each :)



### NOTIFY SCHOOL OF ABSENT CHILDREN

Please remember to contact school if your child will be absent. It's a legal requirement that upon an absence, we are informed with a reason.

Thank you :)



### NOTIFY BUS DRIVER OF MORNING TRAVEL CHANGES

Please notify your child's bus driver of any morning travel changes.

Also, if your child is to be traveling on a different bus to usual in the morning, please check with the driver of that bus to ensure there is enough room for them.

### NOTIFY SCHOOL OF AFTERNOON TRAVEL CHANGES

Please notify the school (by phone) of any afternoon travel changes for your child/ children. Phone messages are checked daily before the buses depart in the afternoon.



### WE'RE SWIMMING EVERYDAY...WEATHER PERMITTING!!

A reminder that all children must please bring their togs to school everyday for swimming during the summer months. Thank you!!

### COVID TESTING KITS

Available at WOK School for community members. Please contact school or call in if you require some.

**WE HAVE PLENTY SO PLEASE DON'T BE SHY!!!**

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## PLAYGROUP

We meet on Fridays at the Community Hall

10am until 12 noon, all welcome.

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Bar Duty  
Friday 9th Feb  
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## COMMUNITY HALL

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