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Westgarth Primary School

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Diary Dates

<u>TERM 1</u>

Wed 6 Mar Year 2 Swimming
Fri 8 Mar Year 5 Softball
Year 6 Gala Day

Mon 11 Mar Public Holiday

Tues 12 Mar Year 3 Democracy, Community and Me In-house Activity

Student Leadership Conference

Wed 13 Mar Year 2 Swimming Fri 15 Mar Year 5 Softball

Tues 19 Mar Year 5 The Huddle Excursion

(5L and 5ST - split)

Thurs 21 Mar Regional Swimming Fri 22 Mar Year 5 Softball

Dads and Such BBQ Night (5.30pm - 9.00pm)

Tues 26 Mar Year 4 - 6 Cross Country Trials Wed 27 Mar Year 5 The Huddle Excursion

(5SA and 5ST - split)

Thurs 28 Mar Last day of Term 1

(Students dismissed at 2.30pm)

TERM 2

Mon 15 Apr First day of term 2
Fri 19 Apr Back Up Cross Country

State Swimming

Tues 23 Apr Back Up Cross Country
Thurs 25 Apr ANZAC Day Public Holiday

Other Important Dates

Sat 1 Jun Westgarth Idol Wed 11 Sept - Fri 13 Sept Year 4 Camp Thurs 5 Dec Art Show

Thurs 12 Dec Year 6 Graduation

Meeting Dates 2024

Finance Wednesday 13 March @ 10.00am WebEx
Education Wednesday 13 March @ 7.00pm WebEx
OSHC Thursday 7 March @ 10.00am WebEx
Environment Wednesday 13 March @ 8.00am Jo's Office
Fun and Fundraising Monday 18 March @ 8.00pm WebEx
School Council Wednesday 20 March @ 7.00pm Staff Room

2024 Term Dates

T1 30/01/24 - 28/03/24 T2 15/04/24 - 28/06/24 T3 15/07/24 - 20/09/24 T4 07/10/24 - 20/12/24

OSHC services will be available via bookings for all curriculum days/pupil free days and early term dismissals













Optional Homework



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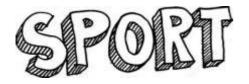


Be you!





<u>Kitchen Garden News</u> <u>Kitchen Garden Recipes</u>





Sport News





Library News







We would like to remind all students that they are required to wear a sunsmart hat and sun safe clothing until the end of April. Staff and students are encouraged to wear hat styles that protect the face, neck and ears when outdoors, for example broad-brimmed, legionnaire or bucket. Caps do not provide adequate sun protection. Students who are not wearing

appropriate protective clothing or a hat may be asked to play in the shade or in a suitable area protected from the sun.



Westgarth Primary School has strategies in place to remind students to apply sunscreen before going outdoors. Each classroom has their own sunscreen and students are reminded by their teacher to apply sunscreen before recess and lunch. Students who may suffer from allergic reactions from certain types of sunscreen are encouraged to bring and use their own personalised sunscreen for school use. Please note - Singlets and tops with narrow straps are not suitable to wear at school.

Hats are available for purchase at the office for \$11.50. Please visit Sun Smart's resources page at http://www.sunsmart.com.au/communities/early-childhood-primary-schools /resources-primary-early-childhood

Do you have a valid health care or concession card?

Then you may be eligible for DET funding of \$150 per child to assist with camps, excursions and swimming costs.

To apply, please <u>download the form</u> here, and email your completed form to westgarth.ps@education.vic.gov.au for processing.

Please ensure your CRN (Customer Record Number) is recorded accurately to enable the office to process it.

Alternatively, forms are available at the school office or if you require any assistance please contact the office.



Get ready to rock'n'roll at Idol!

Save the date for Westgarth Idol, Saturday 1 June at Thornbury Theatre.

Parents, carers and teachers are invited, urged and welcomed on stage for your chance to take this year's Golden Microphone title. Acts will be supported by the amazing Idol band who are tuning up ready to receive your song entries.

Group nominations are due this Friday, 8 March between 9am – 5pm. Please email the full names of your group participants, email addresses, song selection and group name to: westgarthidol@gmail.com

If you're wondering what this song-and-dance is all about, have a read of the Westgarth Idol FAQ's.

Please also get in touch if you'd like to perform but don't have a group yet and we'll do our best to get you involved. There may be space in an existing group or a new group may be formed. We'll also be seeking volunteers to help out so there's plenty of other ways to be involved if performing isn't for you.

Westgarth Idol is one of the schools largest fundraisers with all profits from the night being donated to Westgarth Primary School. So don't hold back and get your friends on board for an unforgettable night of 'star-studded' entertainment!

If you have any questions, please speak with Amy Greetham, Sam Hooper or Lucy Davidson, or email us at westgarthidol@gmail.com





Open Day

Our 2024 Open Morning will be held on Wednesday 24 April. The morning includes student-led tours and presentation sessions run by our Principal team.

A full program and bookings into the presentation sessions will be available from Tuesday 12 March.

