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November 2022 Newsletter

Hello Wooroloo Community. We are connected! Welcome to our first Wooroloo Connected Newsletter. We look forward to sharing your stories with the community and keeping you in touch with local events. Please email your stories and photos to us for future newsletters.

Wow! It's Nearly Been 2 Years

We have a come long way from the tragic 2021 bushfires to the connected community we are today. Over the past 20 months we have seen the tragedy and heard the stories of devastation and loss and consoled each other through one of the most challenging times of our lives. We have truly been blessed to have organisations like the Department of Communities, Red Cross, Shire of Mundaring, City of Swan, Parkycare, Bendigo Bank, CWA, Gidgegannup Sports and Rec Centre, Wooroloo Volunteer Bushfire Brigade as well as local businesses like our very own Wooroloo Liquor & General Store to support us.

As a community we have come together and formed friendships that will last a lifetime. But now it is time for all of these organisations to take a backseat while we, the Wooroloo community, take over and continue to support each other as friends, neighbours and fellow community members.

WE ARE NOW CONNECTED

From Wooroloo Connect to Wooroloo Connect<u>ed</u>. We stand together as a community. There will still be Monthly Community Meals, Crafternoons, Community Events and Gatherings along with School Holiday Activities.

We would like to hear from you.

What events would you like to see in Wooroloo? What activities do our kids need here in Wooroloo? What do you think our families need?

Our main focus as Wooroloo Connected is on Community Togetherness and promoting positive mental well-being through friendship and community connections.

Wooroloo Primary School

by Nicole Lavender (Principal, WPS)

Wooroloo Primary School is a small school and we do things differently here. With a low student to educator ratio we are able to build close relationships with our students. This is a school where a strong collaborative community of staff and families work together to foster the best outcomes for our students. We create opportunities for community togetherness through our strong ties with community organisations like Wooroloo Connected to provide support to our wider community. The school promotes student voice and decision-making and choices in their learning, with an approach to problem solving and conflict resolution skills that build strong relationships.

We believe that finding a way for children to feel inspired about learning so they can fulfil their individual potential is vital and a key part of the WPS philosophy. WPS utilises multi-age grouping strategy and structure for teaching and learning. The term multi-age grouping at our school refers to a class comprised of students of different ages intentionally grouped for learning according to individual needs rather than a composite class where students in each grade study a different curriculum. This is an evidence-based approach that has shown to create independence in learning, high-level critical thinking and problem-solving skills, academic achievement, and increased social-emotional development.

The cross-age relationships enable students to be both supported by and supportive of one another and have shown to increase levels of collaborative learning, co-operative skills, communication skills and key intrapersonal, and interpersonal skills.

Our teachers use continuous individual progress to focus on every child as unique with an individual pattern of timing for growth. Our learning environments provide a supportive environment in which diversity is celebrated, effective social skills are developed and learners respect the thoughts, experiences and interests of others.

Through the Wooroloo experience students leave with a strong sense of who they are and understanding of how they can contribute constructively in the world and a passion for life-long learning.



What's On?

#looklocal

Wooroloo Post Office Monday to Friday 9am - 1pm, 2pm - 5pm

All your postage needs! Stamps, parcels and private PO Boxes. Plus a large range of locally made gifts.

Marvies Hot Stuff 0423 528 873

Every Saturday 8am-12pm Mundaring Garden & Farmers Market, Jacoby St Mundaring

Organic & Pesticide Free Chilli products, jams, sauces, pickles, dry rubs, spice mixes, fudge, rocky road, gift packs, lolly boxes/bags

Candles by Hayley

Find us on FaceBook!

Light up your world with beautifully scented hand-crafted home-made soy wax candles. Made right here in Wooroloo. Now stocked at the Wooroloo Post Office.

Wooroloo Liquor & General Store 3775 Government Road

Come down and see Leith and Craig for all your liquor and general needs. Bread, milk, groceries, ice-cold drinks and stockfeed. #supportlocal

Wooroloo Community Playgroup Find us on Facebook!

Expressions of Interest for term 1, 2023 Contact Wooroloo Community Playgroup on FaceBook or msg 0423 528 873

Community Recovery Officer Contact Details

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Wooroloo Hall Activities

Every Tuesday CRAFTernoon BYO Craft or try Mosaicking Gold coin donation 12:00 - 3:00pm

> Tri-Weekly Tuesday Mobile Library 9:00 - 11:00am

First & Third Thursday Hillbellies Food Van 5:00 - 7:00pm

Fourth Thursday Connect<u>ed</u> Community Meal 5:30 - 7:30pm

October Community Meal Oktoberfest. Register via: <u>https://woo-con-oct-meal.eventbrite.com.au</u>

November Community Meal Roast Rolls. Register via: <u>https://woo-con-nov-meal.eventbrite.com.au</u>

December Community Meal A Very Aussie Christmas with thanks to the Crafternoon ladies. Please register via: <u>https://connectedchristmas.eventbrite.com</u>

Gidgegannup Activities

Second Thursday Monthly Recovery Update Dinner Percy Cullen Oval 5:30 - 7:30pm

> Every Friday Community Morning Tea Gidgegannup Hall 10:00am - Noon