

WISDOM NEWS

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF WISDOM COLLEGE

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

MR. DAMIEN BARRY

Term 3 is moving quickly and already we are on the doorstep of Week 3. The term has started smoothly with all students resuming their studies and working towards various assessments and learning tasks

Welcome to all of our new students and some new staff. It was wonderful to see people join our Wisdom family. We also welcomed a group of students from Japan to our school for this past week.

Over the recent holiday break our grounds staff carried out a number of repairs, maintenance and landscaping. This included cleaning of carpets, painting of pathways, fixing doors and windows, and planting new trees and shrubs to further beautify our grounds.

All staff and students are also gearing up for a bunch of events this term. This includes our fete, a Year 9 and 10 camp, parent teacher interviews, sporting carnivals and the Year 10 work experience week, not to mention the hugely popular Science Week.

I am hoping to see many parents and families in and around our College and events as this term unfolds.

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The poster for the Wisdom Fete features a rainbow at the top and the school logo. It includes a large red 'SAVE THE DATE' stamp, a list of activities, event details, and photos of children and a bouncy castle.

Wisdom Fete
Learning today, Leading tomorrow

SAVE THE DATE

Rides
Petting Zoo
Face Painting
Food Trucks
20+ Market Stalls

97 FORMBY ST CALAMVALE 4115

ENTRY \$3

SATURDAY 10TH AUGUST

11am - 3pm

Interested in becoming one of our SPONSORS?
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HEAD OF SECONDARY

MR. JAMES EASTHOPE

Dear Parents and Guardians,

I hope this message finds you well. As we wrap up the second week of Term 3, I wanted to share some updates and reminders with you. It has been wonderful to see our students return with enthusiasm and a positive attitude after the break. We are committed to fostering an environment of excellence and continuous improvement, and your support is invaluable in this journey.

Firstly, I would like to extend my appreciation for your ongoing cooperation and support. Our students have shown great dedication to their studies and school life, and this is a testament to the strong partnership between home and school. As we continue to strive for excellence, we have some important reminders regarding our standards and expectations:

UNIFORM AND APPEARANCE:

Winter Uniform: Students are required to wear the College blazer and tie to and from school each day. This term, we are placing a renewed emphasis on uniform standards to ensure all students present themselves with pride, and represent our college and their family with dignity and poise.

KEY REMINDERS:

- Blazers are to be worn to and from school.
- Male students must keep their formal shirts tucked in at all times.
- Only Wisdom College school bags should be used by students when wearing our uniform.
- Hairstyles should be neat and sensible. Extreme styles or colors are not permitted. Hair longer than the collar should be tied or plaited, with fringes cleared from the eyebrows.
- Students may wear one pair of plain, standard-sized studs or sleepers in the earlobe. Other types of jewelry are not acceptable.
- Makeup, false nails, false eyelashes, and extensions are not permitted. Clear nail polish is allowed.

PUNCTUALITY AND PREPAREDNESS:

- Students are expected to arrive to school by 8:30am, allowing them time to organise their lockers and be ready for the start of class at 8:45am. Late arrivals disrupt the learning process, so please encourage and support your child to be on time.
- Ensure that laptops are charged at home the night before school. Being prepared with a fully charged laptop is essential for a productive day of learning.

EXCELLENCE IN WELLBEING:

This term, we are focusing on "Excellence in Wellbeing." Every staff member is committed to understanding and supporting our students' wellbeing. We aim to help students regulate their behaviour and build confidence in their learning. Wellbeing activities will be integrated into Periods 3 and 5, including mindfulness breathing, journaling, colouring, progressive muscle relaxation, competitive games, and student check-ins. Thank you for your continued support and partnership. Together, we can ensure that our students thrive academically and personally. If you have any questions or need further information, please do not hesitate to contact us

Wishing you a wonderful weekend!



WISDOM COLLEGE

Come and chat with us about learning in 2025

Saturday 10th August 11-3pm

LEARNING TODAY, LEADING TOMORROW
Empowering students to become self-regulated, self-directed, self-driven learners.

 <p>SMALL CLASSES Service Learning, Global Citizenship, Pastoral Care</p>	 <p>COMMUNITY FOCUSED Don't get lost in the crowd. Teachers that know your child and their learning.</p>	 <p>QCE + ATAR/VET STEAM, Entrepreneur and Community Pathways</p>
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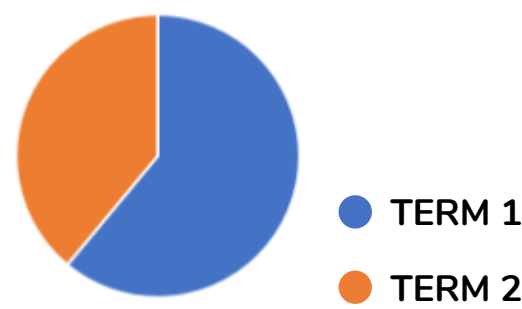
HEAD OF PRIMARY

MRS. OLIVIA RUTHERFORD

Dear Wisdom Family,

Within primary we are implementing a new Social and Emotional learning program from prep to year 6. WISE @ Wisdom is based on the highly researched, global curriculum program Second Steps. It is our hope as a college that our students will not only leave Wisdom with a wealth of knowledge about the world, but a true understanding of themselves and those around them. WISE has already proven to help students navigate unwanted behaviours and reduced the number of unwanted behaviours from term 1 to term 2 as illustrated in the chart.

NUMBER OF RECORDED UNWANTED BEHAVIOURS



Together, we are teaching our students a variety of concepts they need to be successful. These being, skills for learning, Empathy, Emotion Management and Problem Solving. I have been incredibly happy to see and hear students using these skills in the playground and classroom to help navigate their day.

On Tuesday evening we held our first parent information night around Social Emotional learning. We discussed what the program is, how it can help your child, how you can help at home and had an open and collaborative discussion about concerns and queries. I would like to recap on the information shared for those families that were not able to attend. I will also post the slides from the evening and relevant research onto our Primary Hub for you to refer to.

Firstly, the WISE program is a whole college initiative that aims to promote the social-emotional competency and self-regulation skills of our students. The program has been designed by Second Steps to increase student success and decrease problem behaviours by aligning the lessons and skills to the 5 core competencies outlined by CASEL.



To ensure that we are catering to all the learners of our college, our teachers have been working extremely hard to alter, adjust and change some features of Second Steps to support neurodivergent students. We are working together to create a toolbox of resources that ensure all students can take part and learn social skills in a way that supports their understanding and needs.

Each term, students will focus on a social and emotional skills they will need to be successful. Through age-appropriate lessons, games, conversations and activities students will be able to name the skills they need to learn, show and understand empathy, manage emotions and problem solve. Each of these topics are broken down into lessons and explored in detail. As a whole college we are reinforcing the lessons by modelling the skills to students, discussing it further at assemblies and celebrating students who are using the skills throughout their day.


With all aspects of students learning, we need you, their parents, siblings, grandparents to reinforce what they are learning in class, at home. Throughout the year, our teachers will be linking 'HomeLink' pages on their weekly reviews that go with several of the Second Step lessons. Home Links are simple, fun activities for you and your child to complete together. They are a fantastic way for you to understand what your child is learning and for your child to show you what he or she knows. By completing these activities together as a family, you are reinforcing to your child that these skills are important.

I am excited to see how this program will grow and develop at Wisdom. I am excited to see our students continue to develop these skills and build their social and emotional competency and I am excited to see you all at our next parent collaboration night; where we will be able to explore how Second steps is working for you and your child. Don't forget to log onto your My Wisdom pages to keep up to date with the program and access the HomeLink pages.

Kindergarten Unit 3

Lesson 14: Calming Down Strong Feelings

Home Link



What Is My Child Learning?

Your child is learning that sometimes feelings can be strong, and how to calm down strong feelings.

Why Is This Important?

When children's feelings are very strong, it is hard for them to think clearly and pay attention. When children are calm, they are able to learn and get along better with others.



HEAD OF TEACHING AND LEARNING

MRS AYSE DOGAN

Dear Parents and Students,

Welcome back to Term 3! We are thrilled to see our students back in the classroom, even as the weather turns colder. I hope everyone had a restful break and is ready to tackle the new term with enthusiasm and determination. As we approach the end of Week 2, our students are already engaged in thinking about upcoming assessments, special events, and planning for the busy term ahead.

This term, we have our annual Book Week Parade, a highlight of the school year that never fails to impress with a variety of creative costumes. This event not only encourages a love for reading but also allows students to showcase their creativity and individuality. Start brainstorming ideas for your costumes – we can't wait to see what you come up with!

Another exciting event on our calendar is Science Week. Our students are eagerly preparing for the Science Fair, and I have already seen some fantastic displays taking shape. This event provides an excellent opportunity for our budding scientists to explore their interests, conduct experiments, and present their findings. It's always inspiring to see the innovative and inquisitive minds of our students at work.

Term 3 is always jam-packed with numerous learning events, and we endeavour to make it special for our students. For our junior scholars and those seeking a challenge, we have the ICAS and AMC competitions starting from Week 5 onwards. These competitions offer a great platform for students to test their skills against peers from across the country. If you haven't already registered, please reach out to Mrs. Jones for more information and guidance.

Our Year 12s are in the final stretch of their school journey, finishing up their internal assessments and preparing for their last set of external exams next term. This is a crucial period for them, and we are committed to providing all the support they need to succeed. The dedication and hard work of our senior students are commendable, and we are confident they will achieve great results.

We are also proud to share that our students have achieved exceptional academic results across all year levels last semester. These achievements will be acknowledged at our upcoming assemblies, so stay tuned. Additionally, NAPLAN results are in, and you should have received your child's student report. As a College, we have performed above state averages across all year levels and tests, with more than half of our students scoring in the strong and exceeding categories. This is a testament to the hard work of our students and the dedication of our teaching staff. We have seen improvement in all areas from previous years and are confident that we will continue to excel in the future.

That's all from me for now. I look forward to keeping you updated with more teaching and learning events and news in upcoming newsletters. Let's make this term a memorable and successful one for all our students.



HEAD OF CO-CURRICULAR

MRS. CANAN COSKUN

Dear Wisdom Family

Welcome back to a new term of possibilities, learning, events and of course a whole lot of chaos! I always say there is beauty amongst the mayhem of the regular school days and weeks and this term is no exception. It was lovely seeing the smiling faces and eager attitudes of all our students both young and old ready to take on the learning of the term.

This term is packed full of events and happenings of all kinds from service learning through the opening of our Wisdom Café to Community through our college fete and sports with our new season of futsal competitions and the various sports clubs we have running throughout the week. Our Term 3 clubs and activities has also kicked off this week and I thank all our amazing Clubs and Activities staff for their service to the school community.

Our community engagement departments have organized an amazing spiritual development workshop as well as a prep play date to help our prep parents connect and build community. Wisdom values its community and is always striving to provide opportunities for our families to connect with the college and with one another. We have many platforms in which we invite you to join and share your ideas and support us with the different projects and initiatives we have running at Wisdom. We always welcome new P&F members and invite you to join our Wisdom Volunteers groups.

I look forward to seeing you at the opening of our Wisdom Café on Friday 26th July!





FETE DONATIONS

DEAR WISDOM FAMILY,

WE'RE SEEKING DONATIONS FOR OUR SCHOOL FETE:

LOWER PRIMARY: CANS OF SOFT DRINK






UPPER PRIMARY: CHOCOLATE BARS







YOUR SUPPORT MEANS A LOT! PLEASE DROP OFF DONATIONS TO OUR MAIN OFFICE.

THANK YOU!

PASTORAL CARE COORDINATOR

MR. SERHAT FELIZ

Dear Wisdom College Families,

We had an incredible turnout at our Qurban Fair. I'm filled with gratitude for the spirit and joy that you brought to our campus last term. It was a celebration of community and generosity.

STALLS THAT STOLE THE SHOW:

Our students and volunteers did an outstanding job with a wide range of stalls that offered something for everyone:

- Prep Bake Stall: Our youngest chefs showcased an impressive array of baked delights. Who could resist those cupcakes and cookies?
- Year 1 Lolly Bags: These were a sweet success, filled with a variety of treats that brought smiles to many little faces.
- Year 2 Game Stall: The excitement here was evident with games that ended in chocolate victories.
- Year 3 Book Stall: A paradise for our young readers, this stall was stacked with books that promised adventure and learning.
- Year 4 Lolly Bags: Another round of treats that proved you can never have too much of a good thing.
- Year 5 & 6 Spider Stall: The fizzy drinks and ice cream provided a much-needed refreshment on a busy day.
- Year 7 Showbags/Lolly Bags: Packed with surprises, these bags were a hit among our curious explorers.
- Year 8 Pilau Stall: The rich aromas and delicious flavours of pilau brought a taste of culinary tradition to our fair. Thank you to Algester mosque community for the donation of the pilau.
- Year 9 Pizza Stall: Always a crowd-pleaser, the pizza and drink combos kept both energy and spirits high.
- QECF Turkish Coffee & Sweets: This stall offered a moment of warmth with freshly brewed Turkish coffee and a selection of sweets.
- Year 11 Accessories Stall: From beautiful polymer clay creations to other accessories, this stall displayed the artistic talents of our students and staff.
- Year 12 Sausage Sizzle: The sausage sizzle was busy all day, serving up snacks that were perfect for a day of fun

IMPRESSIVE FUNDRAISING

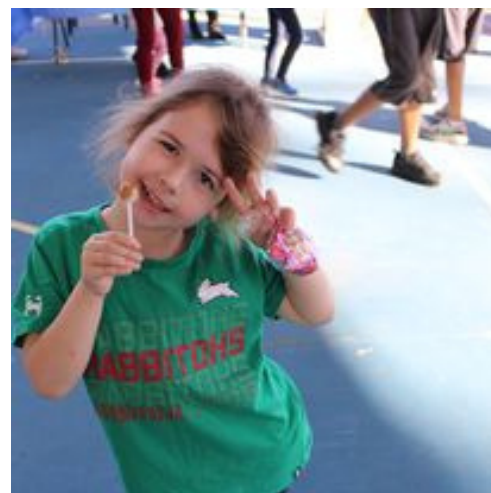
Thanks to your generosity, we raised a fantastic total of \$4,029.25! These funds were used to help the Australian Relief Organisation support families in need across various countries, a true testament to the power of our collective efforts.

A LEARNING EXPERIENCE

Alongside the fun and games, the fair also served as a valuable educational opportunity to reflect on the significance of Qurban, emphasizing themes of sacrifice and charity that resonate deeply within our community.

Thank you to every parent, student, and staff member who played a part in making this fair possible and a memorable day for all involved. Your commitment to our community is what makes Wisdom College special.

We look forward to more events that bring us together in such meaningful ways.



SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES WE WANT YOU!



The poster features a rainbow at the top. The main title 'Wisdom Fete' is in blue, with the tagline 'Learning today, Leading tomorrow' below it. A large red diagonal banner reads 'BECOME A SPONSOR TODAY!'. To the left, a list of activities includes Market Stalls, Food Trucks, Jumping Castle, Petting Zoo, Rides, Henna, Face Painting, and 'SO MUCH MORE'. To the right, there are three photos: a hand painting a flower on a plate, a boy with bee face paint, and a child on a bouncy castle. At the bottom, a group of happy children is shown. Two balloons contain the address '97 FORMBY ST CALAMVALE 4115' and the time '11am - 3pm'. The contact information at the bottom asks for support and provides the email 'a.wazir@wisdom.qld.edu.au'.

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- MARKET STALLS
- FOOD TRUCKS
- JUMPING CASTLE
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- RIDES
- HENNA
- FACE PAINTING
- + SO MUCH MORE

Support our school by becoming one of our valued SPONSORS!
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We are currently seeking sponsors for our Wisdom College school Fete. If you own a business and are interested in supporting our College, please reach out to Aliya Wazir at a.wazir@wisdom.qld.edu.au for more information. We have many sponsorship options available!

2024 CALENDAR

TERM 3 DATES

JULY

Monday 8th July School resumes Term 3

Monday 15th July - Dental Van @ Wisdom

Tuesday 16th July Primary Parent Information Night - WISE

Wednesday 24th-26th July Year 9 & 10 Camp

Wednesday 31st July Parent Teacher Interviews Student Free Day

AUGUST

Saturday 10th August Wisdom College Fete

Wednesday 14th August EKKA Holiday

Friday 16th August Science Fair

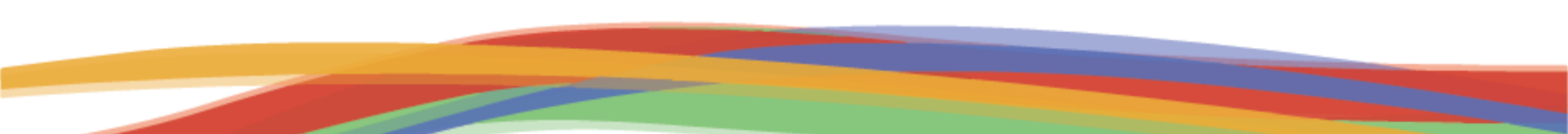
Friday 23rd August Book Week Parade

SEPTEMBER

Wednesday 11th September Year 11 Semi Formal

Thursday 12th September RUOK Day

Friday 13th September Athletics Carnival and Last Day of Term 3



UPDATES AND INFORMATION

UNIFORM SHOP



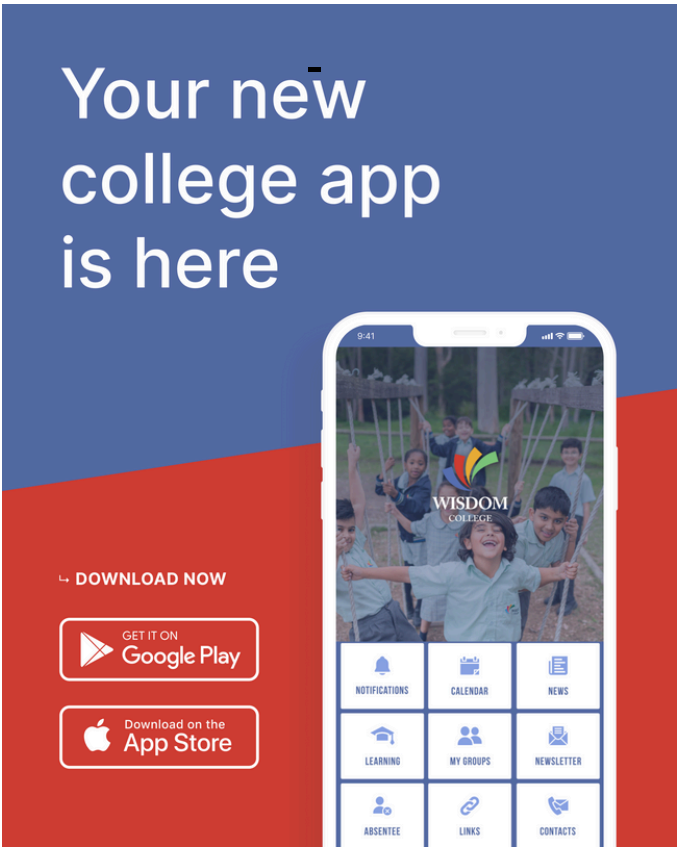
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Saturday 9:00am- 3:00pm

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LUNCH ORDER SYSTEM



#BLACKOUTCOFFEE

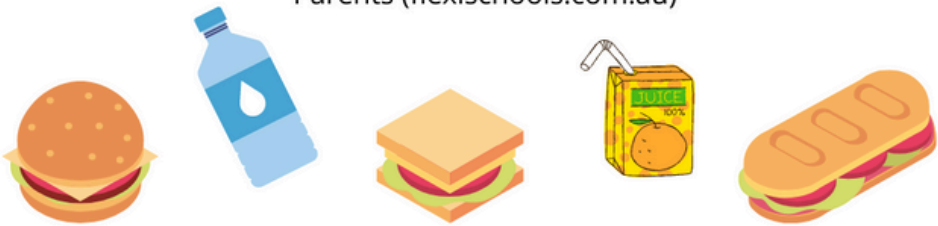
Wisdom College is excited to announce that our new lunch order system is ready to go!

WE HAVE PARTNERED WITH BLACKOUT COFFEE AND FLEXISCHOOLS TO BRING YOU THIS EASY ONLINE ORDERING SYSTEM.

As of today you can place second lunch break orders for your child/ren.

Please download the Flexischools App and click the link for more information on how to register today.

Parents (flexischools.com.au)



FEE'S EDSTART



Wisdom College has partnered with Edstart to provide you with more flexibility and choice for your school fees



Edstart Plus is a school fee management service to help your school improve the fee payment experience. It is free for families to use and you can choose the payment option that best fits your budget.

Select the schedule that works for you

✓ Annual upfront

✓ Monthly

✓ Termly

✓ Fortnightly

✓ Weekly

Choose your preferred payment method

Direct debit from your account

✓ Credit card

✓ BPay

Adjust your payments at any time if there are changes to your budget

What happens if I want to change my payments?
Simply contact us and we'll adjust your payments based on your preference. There are no fees or charges for implementing these changes.

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Jaybel Office Choice will be supplying your 2024 booklist packs, Jaybel is a 100% Australian Family Owned & Operated school supplier. We've been working with Jaybel to make sure your child has an easy start to the new year. We've selected the list of items your child needs to start the year and worked with Jaybel so you can order everything you need in one go.

Please ensure that your child has everything listed on this form to start the 2024 school year.

2024 Online Ordering Guide

Ordering is fast, secure and convenient. Simply visit www.jaybel.com.au/booklists and follow these easy steps.

- Enter the School Code: **BTSWC001** & Password: **WC2024**
- Select your child's year required for 2024 from the menu "Select Year Level"
- Quantities recommended by the school are noted as "Suggested Qty" against each item.
- To make ordering easy, you have the option to order a complete booklist pack or you can customise your order as required.
- After selecting your items, click on "Add Selected Items To Cart".
- Next, enter the Name of the Student this order is for and click "Proceed"
- If you wish to order for another student, use the menu to select the year level and follow the same steps.
- Once you have added all items required, click on the Shopping Cart Icon in the top right corner.
- Review your products in the shopping cart before checking out.
- Click on Continue To Checkout.
- Next select your Delivery Method, then enter your address details, your Name, Email and Phone in the fields provided.
- Click on Continue To Payment.
- Make payment and complete the order.
- Once complete, you will be presented with an order confirmation screen and an email confirmation will be sent.

Important information regarding your Delivery

- Delivery fees: \$9.95 per order inc. GST.
- Once the order has been despatched you will receive an order tracking number via email.
- For assistance with the website, your order, delivery information, or a general enquiry, please email sales@jaybel.com.au or call **07 3423 5888**.



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