



# Westbreen Primary School

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# Newsletter

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## Principals Message

Dear Parents and Guardians,

The end of the year is a busy time for all families, at school it is a time where we say farewell. This year we are saying goodbye to Mr Christopher Kloester who has been part of our staff for the last three years. Mr Kloester will be transferring to Merri Primary School in 2019. We will miss him but wish Mr Kloester every happiness and success in the future. During his time with us Mr Kloester has taught in the Middle School area. He has been an active member of our team. Mr Kloester, thank you for being part of Team Westbreen and the entire school community wish you the very best in the future.

We also say goodbye to Mr Trevor Daly and Mrs Meredith Quinn, who have announced their retirement.

*(Please refer to separate notice attached to this Newsletter for our words of appreciation to both Mr Daly and Mrs Quinn.)*

In 2019, we welcome the following provisional appointments:

- Mr Jason Kenny (Assistant Principal)
- Ms Vivienne Weate (Foundation Teacher)
- Mr Ricky Nolan (Grade 5/6 Teacher)

If you are one of the families leaving Westbreen Primary, thank you for all your generous contributions to our learning community. We will miss you and hope that you and your child/ren are very happy in your new setting.

### **SCHOOL ASSEMBLY ~ Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December**

The school will come together for the final time in 2018 on Friday at 12.45pm. A highlight of this assembly will be the guard of honour that our students create in wishing our Grade Six students well in their future and thank them for being part of our school.

**FRIDAY 21<sup>st</sup> DECEMBER  
LAST DAY OF TERM 4  
FINISHING AT 1:15pm**

Dates to Remember  
Friday 21<sup>st</sup>  
December  
Last Day of Term 4

FINISHING AT  
1:15pm

Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup>  
January 2019

Book Payment day  
12:30 to 3:30 only

Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup>  
January 2019

First day of Term 1  
2019

For Grade 1 to 6  
Monday 4<sup>th</sup> February  
Foundation students  
first day for 2019

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## **Celebrating 2018**

From my perspective 2018 has been a very busy, positive and successful year. I am very fortunate to be part of a school community who are dedicated in ensuring that the very best learning environment is provided for our students. 2018 has had many highlights and celebrations – we should all be proud of our successes:

<p><b>Curriculum</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>☑ Improved results in all aspects of Student Learning</li> <li>☑ Incursions / Excursions / Swimming / Gymnastics</li> <li>☑ Student Leadership Program</li> <li>☑ 3/4 Camp</li> <li>☑ 5/6 Camp</li> <li>☑ Personalised Learning Program</li> <li>☑ Celebrating Education Week, Literacy, Science &amp; Numeracy Weeks</li> <li>☑ Launch of a new School Timetable</li> <li>☑ Inquiry Units of Work</li> <li>☑ STRIVE</li> </ul>	<p><b>Community</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>☑ Family multicultural night</li> <li>☑ Strong links with Local Members both State and Federally</li> <li>☑ Proactive and supportive Westbreen Community Group</li> <li>☑ Volunteer’s Program</li> <li>☑ Family Engagement Project</li> <li>☑ Breakfast Club</li> <li>☑ Family Time</li> <li>☑ Integration of Local Community Organisations / Individuals into the Learning programs</li> <li>☑ Community garden</li> </ul>
<p><b>Special Activities</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>☑ Graduation</li> <li>☑ Open Days</li> <li>☑ Interschool sports</li> <li>☑ Canteen-special lunch days</li> <li>☑ Book fairs, Book Parade &amp; Italian Day</li> </ul>	<p><b>Facilities</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>☑ Settling into our new buildings</li> <li>☑ New Playground equipment and playing spaces</li> <li>☑ Working Bee’s</li> </ul>
<p><b>Specialist Programs</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>☑ Art displays / show</li> <li>☑ School Choirs</li> <li>☑ Science extra-curricular activities</li> <li>☑ Instrumental music program</li> <li>☑ Inter School Sport participation</li> <li>☑ Sport Specialist workshops</li> </ul>	<p><b>Staff Professional Development</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>☑ Literacy F-6</li> <li>☑ Numeracy F-6</li> <li>☑ First aid (Anaphylaxis &amp; Asthma)</li> <li>☑ Student Behaviour Management</li> </ul>
<p><b>Transition</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>☑ F-6 transition program</li> <li>☑ Improved links made with kindergartens and secondary schools</li> </ul>	<p><b>Parent Support</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>☑ School Council – 4 Sub Committees</li> <li>☑ Classroom support</li> <li>☑ School Canteen</li> <li>☑ Uniform Shop</li> <li>☑ Working Bees</li> <li>☑ Sausage sizzle &amp; raffle fundraising activities</li> </ul>

## **TEAM WESTBREEN FOR 2019**

<i><b>Teaching &amp; Learning Grade</b></i>	<i><b>Staff Member</b></i>
Foundation	Adria Quinn
Foundation	Kellie Fazzino
Foundation	Vivienne Weate
Grade 1/2	Michael Blakey / June Thomson
Grade 1/2	Deidre Ochoa
Grade 1/2	Rebecca Hay
Grade 1/2	Christine Mahlis
Grade 3/4	Yvonne Cuthill
Grade 3/4	Elisa Pannunzio
Grade 3/4	Maria Zarkadoulas
Grade 5/6	Lorena Cosner
Grade 5/6	Effie Aresti
Grade 5/6	Ricky Nolan
<b><i>TOTAL STUDENT ENROLMENT</i></b>	<b><i>293 Wonderful Students</i></b>
<i><b>Specialist Team</b></i>	<i><b>Staff Member</b></i>
Art	Kristy Monaghan
Music	Kylie Delacoe
Science	Christine Monaghan
LOTE (Language Other Than English) Italian	Angela Francavilla
Personalised Learning Program	Diane Baker Karen Wileman
Welfare Officer	Georgie Sweeney
Integration Aide	Lyn Bishop
Integration Aide	Vikki Katelanis
Integration Aide	Lee Kenny
Integration Aide	Joanne Youl
Integration Aide	Nerida Riddell
Integration Aide	Maria Taranto
Integration Aide	Kerry Parfett
Integration Aide	Filiz Kaya
Integration Aide	Annie Forysth
Integration Aide	Smitha Krishnapillai
Integration Aide	Sandra Spadoni
<i><b>Administrative Team</b></i>	<i><b>Staff Member</b></i>
Principal	Tony Cerra
Assistant Principal	Jason Kenny
Business Manager	Sharon Davey
Office Manager	Julie Cox
Library Technician /Family Engagement Program Co-ordinator	Michelle Brooksby
Canteen Manager	Robyn Wilson
Instrumental Music Program	Melbourne Guitar Academy
Outside School Care	EXTEND

Technical Support Staff	NDC
Cleaning Team	Pleasant Cleaning Company

In closing, on behalf of all of the team at Westbreen Primary School, I wish all families a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year.

Have a wonderful end of year break

*Tony Terra*  
Principal

December, January & February 2018 & 2019						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
16 <sup>th</sup> X	17 <sup>th</sup> School Council X	18 <sup>th</sup> Reports issued for Grade 1 to 5 X	19 <sup>th</sup> X	20 <sup>th</sup> Reports issued for Grade 6	21 <sup>st</sup> Last day Term 4 finishing at 1:15pm	22 <sup>nd</sup>
23 <sup>rd</sup>	24 <sup>th</sup>	25 <sup>th</sup> Xmas Day	26 <sup>th</sup> Boxing Day	27 <sup>th</sup>	28 <sup>th</sup>	29 <sup>th</sup>
<b>SCHOOL HOLIDAYS</b>						
30 <sup>th</sup>	31 <sup>st</sup> New Year Eve	1 <sup>st</sup> NEW YEAR DAY	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>
<b>SCHOOL HOLIDAYS</b>						
6 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup>	9 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>	11 <sup>th</sup>	12 <sup>th</sup>
<b>SCHOOL HOLIDAYS</b>						
13 <sup>th</sup>	14 <sup>th</sup>	15 <sup>th</sup>	16 <sup>th</sup>	17 <sup>th</sup>	18 <sup>th</sup>	19 <sup>th</sup>
<b>SCHOOL HOLIDAYS</b>						
20 <sup>th</sup>	21 <sup>st</sup>	22 <sup>nd</sup>	23 <sup>rd</sup>	24 <sup>th</sup>	25 <sup>th</sup>	26 <sup>th</sup> Australia Day
<b>SCHOOL HOLIDAYS</b>						
27 <sup>th</sup>	28 <sup>th</sup>	29 <sup>th</sup> Book Payment day	30 <sup>th</sup> First day of Term 1 2019 Grade 1 to 6	31 <sup>st</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup> Feb	2 <sup>nd</sup>
<b>SCHOOL HOLIDAYS</b>						
3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup> First day for Foundation Students for 2019	5 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup>	9 <sup>th</sup>