Children aged 5-11 need 10-11 hours sleep a night. They’re usually tired after school and should be in bed by about 7.30 pm. A bedtime routine is very important at this age. It helps your child wind down from the day. Keep the bedroom dark, cool and quiet so they can drift off easily, avoid watching television and movies in bed as this will continue to stimulate the brain.

After a big day at school, many of the day’s events and worries might be still rattling around in your child’s head. If they’re still unresolved when your child goes to bed, it can cause a restless night or bad dreams. You can help your child settle and relax for sleep by promoting good sleep habits.

Many school-age children also sleeptalk, especially if they’re excited or worried about something like a holiday or a test. Sleeptalking is nothing to worry about. Talking with your child calmly about the event might help reduce night-time chatter.

Yours in Learning
Daniel Bishop

School Centenary
The Wheatlands State School is turning 100 years old in November 2013. To celebrate this momentous event the school is forming an organising committee, to make it a weekend to remember. The first meeting for all interested parties will be Wednesday 16th May at the Wheatlands State School. The meeting will commence at 6.30pm. Your attendance does not mean you will be lumped with a position, we understand there are many people who love to work behind the scenes without the ownership of a position on the committee. Please gather this time and date around the community as there may be past parents and students who are interested in assisting with the organisation of this event. See you there.
### Dates to Remember

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**Prep/One News**

This week we have been starting to look at people who help us in the community.

- Over the past few weeks we have been looking at the role of the dentist by exploring what they do, where they do it and what they use.
- We also started looking at 3-D shapes—ball, cone, box and can shapes. See photo of Arrow group sorting 3-D shapes. Next week we look at 2-D shapes. In oral language activities we have been practising following three step directions. In science we have been looking at things that move in the school environment.

* Mrs Alex Brimblecombe
* Prep/One Class Teacher

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**Pick-up and Drop off Responsibilities and Changes to Normal the Mode of Transport.**

Please remember the pick-up and drop off times at school. In the mornings we advise parents not to drop students off before 8.40am for the safety of all students. It is at this time that a staff member is rostered on to watch children play before school commences. The school day finishes at 3.00pm and as such, the school requests that children not catching the school bus be collected at this time. Quite often, staff have work and personal commitments outside of normal school hours. Please be prompt in collecting your children. If your child is travelling home by different means to what they usually do, you must contact the school. If contact is not made then the staff member on duty will assume the child is getting home as they usually do. Your cooperation with these matters is appreciated.

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**P&C — A BIG THANKYOU to all the families who donated any cooking, food items straws, drinks and labour for our very successful weekend at the Garden Expo in Wondai.**

Thanks again to all!

**P&C Catering Group**

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**P & C WALKWAY PAVERS—ORDERS CLOSING**

Please note that orders need to be back to the school by next Wednesday 9th May if you wish to participate. Single Paver $20 Double Paver $40 Please make cheques out to the Wheatlands State School P&C Assoc. Any queries please speak to Kieran Ramke or Jenny in the office.

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**P&C PRESIDENT**

If you have the drive, dedication and enthusiasm to steer the school’s Parent body committee, we want to hear from you. Please speak to Daniel if you are interested in nominating for the position of P&C President. Next meeting will be Wednesday 30th May at 6.30pm

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**Tuckshop Helpers Needed**

The school needs someone to organise Tuckshop for the third Friday of each month. Duties would include:
- Collect orders from classrooms Wednesday afternoon
- Collate orders and count cash
- Fax order to Murgon SHS tuckshop Thursday mornings
- Help make up and collect the orders from Murgon SHS tuckshop Friday mornings
- Distribute to classrooms before First Break Friday
- All training provided. Don’t be shy.

To continue this valuable service, we need your help. Please speak to Fay Kerhow if you can assist us. Thankyou.

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**Karate Union of Australia Carboot Sale**

Saturday 12 May from 8am to midday. At Wondai Martial Arts Centre, end of Bunya Ave, Wondai

Carboot sale—$10 for car site. Please ring Katie on 41682424 for bookings. We are raising funds to send local members to Karate Union of Australia’s National Titles and World Titles in August 2012.
Is your child aged 3-5 years?
then let them
Laugh and Learn
at
Wondai Kindergarten
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday
9:00am – 2:30pm
Vacancies available for 2012 – No waiting list
Fees for 2012 – Only $23.00 a day
Do you qualify for Childcare Rebate – Only $15.00 a day
We are taking enrolments for 2013
Come in and see for yourself the magical experience that only a true kindy has to offer!
Phone: 07) 4168 9131
Address: 60 Baynes Street Wondai Qld 4606
Email: wondaikindy@datawave.net.au

Nominations for top teacher titles
We encourage all of our students to give their teachers a pat on the back by voting for their 2012 My Favourite Teacher. My Favourite Teacher is a statewide program designed to showcase the achievements of teachers and their important role in inspiring and empowering students. All of our students are encouraged to nominate their favourite teacher by selecting their local newspaper via the My Favourite Teacher website: www.education.qld.gov.au/community/events/edweek/favteacher/

Students will then be entered into the draw to win one of several family day passes to either Warner Bros. Movieworld, Seaworld or Wet’n’Wild. Winning teachers will receive a certificate and a family pass thanks to Village Roadshow Theme Parks.

If you do not have access to the web, ask Jenny in the office for a paper copy of the article.

1/2 Class
We have all had a PM Benchmark reading assessment done this week. I am proud to say that all students have moved to a new level and will be shuffled into new groups next week

English
This week we finished writing HOW to persuade Mum and Dad to give us something that we really, REALLY want. The students have started writing a persuasive paragraph on what we believe our school needs. This could be related to the outdoor play area, our classroom or a school trip. So far I have students writing about larger and longer set of monkey bars, a play gym for the middle and upper students, an air-conditioner for our classroom and an excursion to an army base.

Mathematics
This week we have been completing our unit of work on money. The students have been learning how to make the same amount of money with different coins or notes. We have also been looking at how much change you would get back after buying something from the shop. Thank you to all the parents who made the effort to bring in empty boxes, cartons and cans for our classroom shop.

We have PLENTY! The shop will remain set up in our classroom for the students’ use until the end of term.

Science
This week the students compared the stages of a mealworm to the stages we go through in our life. Thank you to the parents who sent in photos of their child when they were a baby. This will assist our unit of work in this subject. Please feel welcome to see the display of our baby photos.

Art
We are using our creative skills to make something special this week and next week. Shh.. it’s a secret!!

Awards
Reading Awards
Congratulations to Jordan Louis, Hannah Farrer, Alysse Bell, Lawson Schloss and Samantha Hetherington for reading 50 nights and gaining their certificate. I would also like to congratulate Jari Davis, Mikayla Ward and Larissa Ramke for reading 75 nights. Fantastic Effort!

Sight Words
I would like to share that Lilly Weier has now gained her purple, aqua and lime certificates. Jackson Brown has received his Lime and Lemon certificates. Jayden Monk has his pink certificate. Samantha Hetherington and Madison Bishop have received their purple and aqua certificates. Alysse Bell has received her purple certificate, Lawson Schloss his violet and Kai Allan has his blue certificate. The following students have also completed their 100 Sight Words and have received their first rainbow certificate on parade today. They are: Madison Bishop, Samantha Hetherington, Jayden Monk, Kyle Sempf, Alysse Bell and Lawson Schloss. Jackson Brown has completed his 200 Sight Words and received his 200 word rainbow certificate on parade today. Congratulations to everyone for working so hard. Well done.

Miss Sarah Sullivan.

NAPLAN
It is that time of year again when our students in year 3,5 and 7 undertake NAPLAN tests. Please assist your child to do the best they can by ensuring they have a good night sleep, eat a nutritious breakfast, pack a balanced lunch and is at school on time. The tests will be run from the 15th – 17th of May.

Some students may feel a little pressure to perform and do well over the course of these 3 days. Please reassure them with confidence and encourage them to simply do their best.
Homework
Your child has homework every night – despite the stories they may tell you. Generally speaking all students from year 1-7 will have some form of English (usually spelling), Math and Reading. Please ensure that you child is reading with you, to you, or independently every night. This must be documented into their reading log. All homework must be signed by a parent. The completion of all aspects of nightly homework is a consideration taken into account for the schools rewards activities. You play an important part in ensuring your child completes these activities.

ANZAC DAY

On the 24th of April we held our Anzac day ceremony here at school. We had many people attend our service. Mr Bishop, Kaylah, Tahlia and Mr Ward spoke on Anzac day. Mr Ward played the bugle. Mr Horn lowered and raised the flag throughout the service. The whole school sang Lest we Forget. We had people from the Wondai Diggers Club come to our ceremony. Wreath layers: Class 5,6,7 class: Shania Weier and Ryan Frahm, Class 3,4,5: Claudia Frahm and Clinton Sanderson, Class 1,2 : Samantha Hetherington and Lawson Schloss, Prep: Julia Kerckow and Wilson Islaub. A light afternoon tea was supplied by our P&C for everyone who attended. Thank you to everyone who attended our ceremony.

Kaylah Puller & Kaylea Rowlinson

RECYCLE YOUR GROCERY BAGS
Please send any grocery bags to the school for use by our Cleaner. Thankyou!