



# from Business Services

## Happy Wattle Wattle Day November 25, 2019

In preparation for the rainy season, the District's Grounds Maintenance and Equipment Operators' crews have been busy since the beginning of October cleaning tree leaves and debris from every roof throughout the District, washing gutter systems, flushing down-spouts, and vacuuming storm drains at every school.

Performing this work strategically, right after the Santa Ana winds but right before the rainy season, is of paramount importance. This leaves a small window of only 5 weeks, normally the month of October, to perform these crucial but time-intensive tasks.

This preventative maintenance is highly important as it helps prevent leaks in roofs and damage to wood structures, such as fascia boards, that can be caused by moisture from rain. And although, having crews on roofs during school hours will cause some noise, working outside of school hours on these duties is exceptionally challenging, and could be dangerous, since crews are required to be on the roofs for most of the duration of this work.

In addition to performing this preventative maintenance, the Maintenance and Operations department is preparing to supply wattles and sand bags to all sites in the event there are any rain showers that may cause unforeseen flooding in the schools.

And lastly, the entire Maintenance and Operations Department is thankful for having the opportunity to serve the District's students, parents, and staff.

A very happy season to all!

## Happy Gutter Cleaning!



## What a wattle!

