

Term 4 | Week 2 | 25 October 2018

Principal's Report

Welcome Back!!

I hope that everyone had a very enjoyable, relaxing and safe Spring Holiday break. While the weather wasn't conducive to being outdoors, it certainly was wonderful to see some much needed rain. It is hard to believe that we only have one term of school remaining in 2018. Where has this year gone? Term 4 will be action packed and will disappear all too quickly, especially for our Year 6 who will be leaving their primary school years behind as they prepare for the whole new world of high school. Busy, but exciting times lie ahead for everyone here at WPS!

Baby News

I would like to congratulate Mrs Vella and her husband Trent (Sophie Vella) and Mr McGee and his wife Shanae (Arlo McGee) who welcomed new additions to their families. Mrs Vella will return to Woonona Pubic School at some stage in 2019. Mr McGee is currently on paternity leave and will return to his class at the beginning of Week 5 this term.

Kindergarten Enrolments 2019

Our Kindergarten enrolments for 2019 are looking great, with 81 students currently enrolled to begin school in 2019. If you know of anyone, living within the Woonona Public School catchment area, still wishing to enrol their child please encourage them to visit our school, as plans are already taking place for next year!

School Enrolments 2019

In order to have accurate numbers for next year, it is important to notify the school office if you know your child will not be returning to Woonona Public School next year (other than Year 6). This information helps us to plan for 2019.

Alternatively, if you know of friends or family members who intend to enrol their children in Woonona Public School in 2019, please ask them to contact the school office to fill in the necessary documentation.

Kindergarten Parent Information Session

A reminder that our Kindergarten Parent Information Session will take place next Thursday, 1 November from 6:00pm – 7:30pm. There is a jam-packed agenda planned for the night, with a great insight into school and Kindergarten guaranteed. We hope to see lots of parents (both new and current) in attendance.

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National Teachers' Day

This Friday is National Teachers' Day. It is a day where we thank teachers for the role they play each and every day in creating wonderful learning opportunities for their students. Being new to Woonona Public School, I can honestly say that we are very lucky to have such a dedicated staff. For their commitment to their students and the fun and professional way in which they approach their role each and every day I would like to thank each and every staff member at WPS.

Survey Results

At the end of last term, surveys were put out to our staff, students and our community. The response has been wonderful with many thoughtful suggestions made by all cohorts within our school. The top responses (based on number of responses) for each area of the questionnaire are listed below:

Parents – 81 surveys returned School Strengths – Staff, Visible Learning, our Community, Curriculum and School Grounds Areas for Improvement – Creative and Performing Arts, Communication, Sport, Welfare and Reports Average score out of 10 – 8.6

Staff – 24 surveys returned School Strengths – Staff, Teaching and Learning, Professional Development, Students and our Community Areas for Improvement – Creative and Performing Arts, Technology, Welfare, Resources and Maths Average score out of 10 – 9.7

Students - 338 surveys returned - Still working on this!

Our challenge as a school is to now take this data and use it strategically in a way that will see continual improvement in the quality education that our students deserve. Thank you to the staff, students and community who put such thought into how we can continue to make our already great school even better!

Rememberance Day Service

On Friday, 9 November at 10:30am we will be holding our annual Remembrance Day Service. Remembrance Day is a significant event, with this year representing 100 years since armistice which ended the first World War. We hope that many of our families are able to join us for this significant event.

Staffing Update

Mrs Amanda Bleeker is currently on extended sick leave. During her absence Mr Michael Arrighi will be relieving Assistant Principal supervising Stage 3. Mrs Bleeker is hopeful of returning to school in some capacity soon.



Disco

Today marks our Year 6 Fundraising Disco. I am sure all the students are excited about the prospect of enjoying a fun celebration with their friends. I look forward to seeing lots of smiling faces throughout the afternoon. Thank you to the staff and students who have helped to make this event a reality.

Website and Calendar Update

Woonona Public School now has an Events Calendar located on the Home Page of our school website. This calendar will replace the existing Term Planner as of Term 4. It will be updated weekly but is subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances.

Please visit the website to view all events, permission notes and information at <u>http://www.woononaps.nsw.edu.au/</u>

Selective Schools 2020 Year 7 Online Applications Open Tuesday, 9 October

Online applications for Year 7 Selective Schools – 2020 - will open these holidays. The applications will open on Tuesday, 9 October 2018. Parents whose children will be in Year 6 in 2019, who are interested in their child sitting the selective high school placement test, are required to complete this process by Monday, 12 November 2018.

Enjoy your week !

Mr Tim Fisher Principal

September Citizens of the Month

Congratulations to our outstanding September Citizens of the month, Jai, Charlie, Harrison and Byron. Thank you for displaying kindness, respect for our school, peers and teachers and for being friendly and happy students.







Deadly Encouragement Awards

On the afternoon of Thursday 18 October (Term 4, Week 1), Mr Fisher and Miss O'Brien accompanied the parents of Angus (3M) and Kyle (5/6O) to the 3rd Annual Deadly Encouragement Awards held at Waniora Public School.

These awards are to recognise Indigenous people in the Northern Illawarra region who have shown great commitment to education both as students, teachers and coordinators. It includes students who consistently apply effort in all areas of their schooling as well as adults who have demonstrated exemplary contributions towards positively influencing the educational journey of young Indigenous people.

Both Angus, and Kyle, were among the students who received awards for outstanding attitude and commitment to their school, displaying strengths in leadership and effort across all aspects of their learning.

Congratulations to Angus and Kyle, who wholeheartedly deserve these awards. They represented Woonona Public School with great pride and excellent behaviour at the ceremony, reinforcing why they are indeed worthy recipients of these awards. Keep up the great work boys!

Swimming Scheme

Last week an 'Expression Of Interest' was sent home in regards to the School Swimming Scheme. It was wonderful to see so many families interested in this highly valuable program.

Unfortunately, our school is strictly limited to 60 spaces. The program is primarily aimed at low ability swimmers in Years 2 and 3 and as a result has only been offered to Year 2 and Year 3 students this year, due to increased student numbers.

If you did return the expression of interest note it does not mean that your child is definitely going to be part of the program, as more than 60 notes were received. Currently, all 60 spaces have been filled.

If you did receive a Permission note and payment details following the Expression Of Interest you have secured a place. However, full payment now guarantees your child's position. If the full amount is not received by Friday 9 November, your child's positon will be offered to another student.

For those who have not received a Permission note, unfortunately your child is on the wait list and you will receive notification of this. If a position becomes available your child will receive a Permission note with payment details.

Thank you for your understanding in regards to this invaluable program being strictly limited to 60 spaces.

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Learning Labs

The University of Wollongong offers 'Learning Labs', which are part of an academic enrichment program for high achieving students from Year 1 to 10. 'Learning Labs' are designed for students who are excelling in their area of interest within their year group, and are seeking a challenging and fun experience during the school holidays. All workshops are held over 1 or 2 days, and are presented by teachers with specialist training or a specific interest in gifted education. The cost varies from \$85-\$175 (approx).

January 2019 application forms for Wollongong Learning Labs are now open! Applications close Tuesday, 6 November 2018.

For more information please use the website link below.

https://www.uow.edu.au/in2uni-myway/learninglabs/index.html

Ms Strinic





The Rocks Walking Tour - A Stage 2 Adventure

All of Stage 2, students and teachers, had an incredible time exploring The Rocks in Sydney. We were there to learn about the lives of the convicts who were transported to Sydney on the First Fleet. Dressing up in costumes, listening to stories from our passionate guides and exploring the winding alleyways made of sandstone bricks made it easy to develop an understanding for what life might have been like during this time in history.

Our students were highly engaged, filled with enthusiasm and wonder, and asked many great questions during the tour. They were at all times exceptionally well behaved to the point where the guides applauded their polite manners, curiosity and the quality of questions the students asked throughout the tour. They wished every tour group was from Woonona. Congratulations Stage 2 on representing yourselves and our school so brilliantly.

The Rocks Walking Tour By Millie 3/4P

Who was I? Elizabeth Dudgeon

Why was I in Sydney? I was transported for stealing money.

How did I arrive? On the ships the Friendship, and then on the Hope.

My Convict Life

In 1788 Elizabeth Dudgeon was transported for stealing money. Elizabeth started off on the ship the Hope but at the Cape of Good Hope she was moved to the ship Friendship for her spirited behaviour. Elizabeth was known to pick fights and other convicts regularly complained about her behaviour. In 1788 she married George Clayton. It is believed that Elizabeth and George eventually moved back to England, both of them pardoned.

What did I do?

We learned all about the convicts. We learnt how Governor Arthur Philip came across Sydney Cove when exploring and how they began, and built up the colony. We also learnt about the medic for the convicts and all of the different convicts. The more I learnt about the convicts, the more I was glad that I didn't live in that time period.

What did I enjoy about the day?

I loved learning about the convicts but my most enjoyable moment was looking out at Sydney from the Overseas Passenger Terminal.



The Rocks Walking Tour - A Stage 2 Adventure





Woonona Students in the Illawarra Junior Vocal Ensemble

If you love to sing, the Illawarra Junior Vocal Ensemble (IJVE) is just for you. I've been in IJVE for 2 years and have really benefited from the experience of learning to sing and perform as part of a choir. This year there has been six students from Woonona Public School in IJVE and we've been in performances like Spring into Corrimal, the opening of Operation Art, Southern Stars and the Festival of Choirs at the OPERA HOUSE.

Singing as part of the 600 voice choir at the Opera House was unforgettable. The IJVE teachers/ conductors Sonia Milgate and Kate Whitworth, and pianist Lynda Murphy, help you along your musical journey by encouraging us to do our best.

For me, the chance to perform and meet other kids from other schools who love to sing was incredible and I have really enjoyed everything about it. Look out for the audition information in the school newsletter or look up Illawarra Junior Vocal Ensemble on facebook.

Arne (Year 6)



Woonona Public School

Events Calendar 2018

Date	Event	Description
22/10/2018	Smiths Hill HS Expo 3:30pm - 5:30pm	
25/10/2018	Year 6 Fundraiser Disco	
25/10/2018	Stage 2 Showcase "It's Amazing" 11:40am	
29/10/2018	Year 5 Taster Day at Woonona High 9:00am - 2:00pm	
1/11/2018	Kids In2Uni 2018 9:00am - 2:15pm Year 6 Only	
1/11/2018	Kindergarten 2019 Parent Information Night 6:00pm - 7:30pm	
6/11/2018	Stage 3 Showcase	
7/11/2018	Kindergarten Orientation Session 2 9:45am - 10:45am	
8/11/2018	2019 Academic and CAPA Enrichment Day at Woonona High	
9/11/2018	PSSA Week 1 12:00pm - 3:00pm	Stage 2 and 3
12/11/2018	Year 7 Selective Schools 2020 online applications close	
12/11/2018	Year 6 Fundraising Committee Meeting 6:30pm	
14/11/2018	P&C Meeting in the staffroom 6:30pm	
15/11/2018	Kindergarten Orientation Session 3 9:45am - 10:45am	
19/11/2018	Open Night Woonona High School 6:30pm	
23/11/2018	PSSA Week 2 12:00pm - 3.00pm	Stage 2 and 3
27/11/2018	Year 6 Parent Information Evening Woonona High School	
30/11/2018	PSSA Week 3 12:00pm - 3:00pm	Stage 2 and 3
4/12/2018	Year 6 Orientation Day Woonona High School	
5/12/2018	Stage 1 showcase	
5/12/2018	P&C Dinner	
7/12/2018	PSSA Week 4 12:00pm - 3:00pm	Stage 2 and 3
10/12/2018	Kindergarten Showcase 11:30am - 1:00pm	
10/12/2018	Year 6 Fundraising Committee Meeting 6:30pm	
11/12/2018	Year 6 Jamberoo Action Park	
11/12/2018	Picnic Day	
	Presentation Day	
	Reading Recovery Luncheon	
	Reports Go Home	
17/12/2018	Year 6 Farewell Dinner	
18/12/2018	CAPA Showcase Variety Night - Woonona High School	

Calendar subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances

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Uniform Shop Opening Hours Term 4 Tuesday 2:30pm - 3:15pm Friday 8:30am - 9:30am



Uniform Shop

Afternoons 2:30 – 3:15 p	m	Mornings 8:30 – 9:30 am				
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Tuesday 30 th October	Hayley and Samantha	Friday 2 nd November	Sally and Megan			
		Friday 9 th November	Jo and Liz			
Tuesday 13 th November	Kim and Lisa	Friday 16 th November	Trish and Nicole			
		Friday 23 rd November	Kristy and Terri			
Tuesday 27 th November	Hayley and Samantha	Friday 30 th November	Sally and Megan			
		Friday 7 th December	Renae and Liz			
Tuesday 11 th December	Kim and Lisa	Friday 14 th December	Renae and Jo			

Canteen





Woonona Public School Canteen Roster Roster Term 4 2018

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Week 6	Monday	19-Nov	Tuesday	20-Nov	Wednesday	21-Nov	Thursday	22-Nov	Friday	23-Nov
	Debbie Boyd		Ashley Garcia		Vanessa Mailhammer		Samantha Mclean		Kylie Owen (HR Mum))
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Community News



NSW Grandparent's Day celebrates the contributions grandparents and older people make to their families and communities.

Spend time with a loved one and connect across the generations with a fun ART MAKING SESSION based on the book Grandpa Green at ARTSPACE. Join us for a **FREE** art session with Jill Talbot at Artspace, Corrimal.

Saturday, 27 October, 10.30am - 12pm (Ages 3-14)

Bookings essential It's free but you must reserve your spot

at www.trybooking.com/book /event?eid=428640

More information Call 4283 9967 or email nina.young@bigfatsmile.com.au





Artspace @ BigFat Smile, 98 Railway Street, Corrimal Learn more about our creative programs at **www.bigfatsmile.com.au**

School Holiday Workshops

Wolkingong Art Galler y providex workshops, and activities for childhen during school holidage, Anton-run activities include experimentation and investigation of various media in a carusal and fun environment. Our next school holiday workshop program will bein January 2018. Renticipants must bring their monting tea and lunch for full day workshops.

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Visiting the Gallery

School visits to the Gallery are available Tuesday to Friday, 10am - Spm. Entry to all exhibitions and guided tours is thes.

If you would like to combine a practical workshop led by an artist with your tout, this can be arranged for a small cost. Contact the Galaxy to see how we can taken your visit to suit your stadents' cuttent curve alam.

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COMMUNITY



WOLLONGONG JUNIOR CHESS CLUB

JNR CHESS TOURNAMENT 2018 SPRING SUNDAY

(Under 18 Year Olds)

7 ROUND SWISS

WHEN:

Sunday 11-Nov-2018 (10:00am to 4:00pm)

<u>WHERE:</u> FAIRY NEADOW COMMUNITY CENTRE - KEIRA ROOM Guest Park - Cm Cambridge Ave and Princess Hwy Fairy Meadow (Opposite Woolworth)

Troohy Prizes: 1st, 2nd, 3rd + Age Groups

Games will be rated by NSWJCL

Results will influence qualification to NSWJCL Country Championship

Entry Fee: \$10

Lunch: Players should bring their own lunch and refreshments.

Arbiter and Information: Phone: e-mail: mazzier

ation: JOHN MAZZIERI (02) 4283 3080 mazzieri@exemail.com.au

WOLLONGONG JNR CHESS CLUB meets Thursdays 4:00-6:00pm (not school hols) Fairy Meadow Community Centre

Future SUNDAY TOURNAMENTS

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ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

Year 12 Visual Art Students HSC Visual Art Writing Workshop

Teansday 29 November, 10am - Spm \$40 per stadest

These workshops are for Year 12 Visual Art Students only. They provide exciting theory issues in a learning experience outside of the classroom environment Students will be studying artivola within carriers exhibition at each of and inform their learning. Students will also focus on storing surfar answering Section 1 of the HEC Wall Arts paper. Raticipants must bring their own moming leas and lunch; all other art materials will be provided.

Reference will be made to Syllabus content: The Cascoptasi Furnework, Furnes and Plactics. For bookings and equiling phone car Education Officer, Julia Darlicy on 227 4506

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Year 2 Tuesday & December Year & Wednesday & December

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Teachers can nominate distudents per year level. For bookings and enquiries phone our Education Officer, Julie Danitovion (00) 42278505 or email (dan lov@wollongongnew.gov.au



Community News



The show has been paid for by local business houses and the funds raised support children's charities especially in the local area.

 Host families come from all over Students come from all over the stay for a short term (8-10 week)

MORE INFO: WEP.ORG.AU/HOST