

Term 4 | Week 4 | 8 November 2018

Principal's Report

State Primary Principals' Association Conference

I have always felt very fortunate to be in the position I am. It is a truly fantastic profession being a teacher, where you have the opportunity to have a positive impact on future generations. Being an educator is a passion that I know I share with all the staff, both teaching and non-teaching at Woonona Public School.

In Week 3 I was lucky enough to attend the NSW Primary Principals' Association Conference. The theme for the conference was "BELIEVE IT OWN IT MAKE IT HAPPEN". What an experience to meet other principals and to hear wonderful keynote speakers share their stories and experiences. With speakers such as Turia Pitt, Eric Sheninger, Leigh Sales, Michael McQueen, Ann McIntyre and Michael Crossland (to name just a few), I came away from these three days feeling truly inspired!

Kindergarten Orientation

Our Kindergarten Transition began last week with a night Parent information Session. Feedback from those in attendance was very positive and reflected a well co-ordinated night that gave great insight into the transition process for our families.

This night session was followed by our first Kindergarten Orientation yesterday, with so many excited (and maybe a little nervous) faces at school to greet the staff of WPS. While our 2019 school starters were in with teachers and helpers they rotated through a range of tasks and left with a smile on their face and looking forward to their next session.

There is one more session next Thursday, which I am sure will provide our newest students with a great platform for success as they transition to "Big School". During next week's session, we ask our Kindergarten parents to remain at school where we will provide them with some further information about transitioning to school.

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, living within the Woonona Public School catchment area, 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.

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School Technology Resources

It is with great excitement that I can inform our community that we have purchased four Ben Qs to be installed in the coming weeks into classrooms that are currently requiring updated technology. These Ben Qs will replace Interactive White Boards that are no longer operating efficiently and will be a great asset to teaching and learning. The purchase of Ben Qs has only been made possible by the "Technology Resources Contribution" from our community and I thank all those families who contributed for making this purchase a reality.

National Teachers' Day

Friday of Week 2 was National Teachers' Day, a day where we recognise the role that our teachers play each and every day in supporting students to learn and grow. I wanted to pass on a genuine thank you from our staff who were surprised by the generosity of many parents who created a morning tea to acknowledge the day. While this was not expected, it was certainly appreciated and I thank all of those families involved, especially Terri T for her organisation.

P&C Meeting - Wednesday 14 November

Our next P&C Meeting is next Wednesday, 14 November! I look forward to seeing many parents there for what will be our last official meeting of the 2018 school year.

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 http://www.woononaps.nsw.edu.au/

Selective Schools 2020 Year 7 Online Applications Closing Soon

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



October Citizens of the Month

Congratulations to our outstanding October Citizens of the month, Samson, Alex, Jarra and Zoe. Thank you for displaying kindness, respect for our school, peers and teachers and for being friendly and happy students.



Environmental Club

The Environmental Club has been busy planting herbs and lettuce for our school canteen to use to reduce our carbon footprint and use of packaging!

A special thank you to:

- Bunnings Bellambi for donating the two garden beds
- Sue and Eric our GAs for putting the beds together and levelling the ground
- Elizabeth Phillips for taking our recycling to Return and Earn bins to help fund our project.





Stage 2 Showcase: It's Amazing!

Stage 2 loved presenting their learning during the It's Amazing! Showcase. The presentations reflected the learning taking place in classrooms and the students loved having an authentic audience to present their findings to. The explanation task required persistence, collaboration, risk taking, and wonder, to complete successfully and we were so pleased to observe our students brimming with confidence throughout the visits. Thank you to all who came along on the day.

A few words from some Stage 2 students:

Welcome to the International Space Station, the place where space never looked so good! During the showcase 3-4P travelled into deep space. To make it into space, each group explored one of the following topics: How are auroras formed? Why do we need satellites? How do solar eclipses occur? How do astronauts get to the ISS? and How do astronauts live on the ISS? In class we gathered information on our chosen topic and used what we learnt to write explanations. We then drafted and created our posters and finally worked out how we were actually going to present our information. On the day it felt so good to be presenting to all the parents and students. - **Emily**

Our theme was Animal Wonder. I wrote and presented an explanation for 'Why do chameleons change colour?' I enjoyed researching and working with my group. On the day I really enjoyed presenting to the parents and I liked that I memorised my part of the explanation. - Lachlan

I enjoyed talking and explaining to people who didn't know how dinosaurs went extinct. - Jessica

I found it really easy because we were all good at collaborating. - Jett

I found collaborating was fun because we were working together and we came up with new and better ideas. - **Ashleigh**

I enjoyed decorating our display. I enjoyed it because I love art and it was really fun working in a team. - Chloe





Stage 2 Showcase: It's Amazing!

















Spare Change Friday Fundraiser

Wow! What a fantastic ending to our Spare Change Friday Fundraiser.

2P raised the most money so they were the lucky winners of the Pizza Party. Thanks to Domino's Woonona for the great food. Pizza and garlic bread was enjoyed by all. There was lots of eating and lots of dancing.

The 4 runner up classes were 2B, 2C KW and 3-4P. Well done to those classes who also raised lots of money and had Zooper Doopers to celebrate.

Thanks again to all students and families for getting behind this great fundraiser and raising lots of money for our Picnic Day events.



Ms Helen Bailey









Spare Change Friday Fundraiser









WASSUP



4-5W's Poetry Slam

4-5W have been learning about poetry to encourage creative thinking. Poetry is a form of expression that lets us get out our feelings and thoughts on a subject, while reading it encourages us to connect and find meaning in our experiences. The students had five minutes to brainstorm their ideas and then delivered an impromptu "beat box" in front of the class. This is what happened!

Rope Adope

Boxing is my "Hall of Fame" Even though it brings you shame I'll bring you down I'll break you down Shake you around Ill knock you out On the ground I'll see you in the ring With my back up Mohammed Ali Levi Allman Year 5

Norse Mythology Poem

Have you heard the horn, like how the serpent roars? The ship on the waves, Rocking around as the pursuit is on, these people are mad, They want revenge for the harbingers. Death. They will do anything to protect their land as Oden stands by their side They are making a war whilst knowing that if they fall, They will go into the hands of the Gods In Valhalla While fighting to stop Ragnarok They are proud to be called Vikings.

Austin Ramsay Year 4

Footy

Footy is my game, Hope to be professional One day, come at me, I'll show you destruction Bring you up, break you down, Shake you around III do anything to see you Frown **Keiran Maddock Year 5**

Gaming

Get your controller ready Start your game up. Let's play Fortnite. Gotta press ready up I'm in a game. Now landing in tilted Found a scar Twenty bullets Black night in front of me Im shooting him. Ran out of bullets I see a pistol Gotta pick it up Now Ive got him, lets get to it. Jayden McNiece Year 4

Family

Kerry – she's a hard working woman. She has a good job. Keeps her family safe, Works for the Government. She has three children. She loves each child. She's got a good house. With a good family. She is able to travel. She has seen many places. She has a good father. He fought for his country. Against Vietnam. It's a good life. **Jarra Parker-Hunt Year 4**





ILLAWARRA JUNIOR VOCAL ENSEMBLE AUDITIONS FOR 2019 (Years 3-6)

The Illawarra Junior Vocal Ensemble is an exciting opportunity for Public School students in Years 3 - 6 to excel in vocal performance.

Students (Years 3-6) will be selected by audition. Successful students will represent the Illawarra with a variety of performances throughout the school year. In 2018, students performed at Southern Stars, Spring Into Corrimal, The Festival of Choral Music at the Opera House and The Kiama Festival of Choirs. Students will feature on the Morning Show with Nick Rheinberger on ABC Illawarra. Later this year, The Illawarra Junior Vocal Ensemble will be performing at Shellharbour Carols By Candlelight and the Wollongong City Council Lighting of the Tree.

The Ensemble is co-ordinated by Sonia Milgate (Pleasant Heights Public School), Lynda Murphy (Corrimal East Public School), Kate Whitworth (Minnamurra Public School) and Bede Darcey (Principal of Corrimal East Public School).

In 2019, we will be expanding the Illawarra Junior Vocal Ensemble into a Home and Satellite Division. **Home Division:** Rehearsals at Corrimal East Public School on Thursdays from 4-5pm during term. **Satellite Division:** Rehearsals at Minnamurra Public School most Thursdays from 4-5pm during term and will travel to Corrimal East Public School twice a term for combined rehearsals.

The participation cost for students is \$30 per term.

Should you have interested students in your school, please direct them to the following website where they can send in an audition application:

Audition Process:

Download the audition piece from the following

link: <u>https://drive.google.com/drive/u/1/folders/1JDQf7HFhxNbczqu9Pw3cdeUzsgBnMr10?fbclid=IwAR2LGVBb</u> <u>CGPzKszxLHpurljVTNIKmNladJM_NHO9Npgf1suF1Lz4CFjOZZk</u> and upload your audition as an unlisted YouTube video. Fill in the required paperwork using Google Forms. All submissions will receive an email stating that their application has been received after the due date.

https://tinyurl.com/IJVE2019auditions

Successful students will be offered a position in the Home or Satellite division depending on locality and available positions. Students must commit to their position by Monday 3 December, 2018.

Applications are due by Monday 19 November, 2018.

For further information, please contact Sonia Milgate on sonia.milgate@det.nsw.edu.au

This initiative is supported by the NSW Department of Education.

Woonona Public School

Events Calendar 2018

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Date	Event	Description
8/11/2018	2019 Academic and CAPA Enrichment Day at Woonona High	
9/11/2018	Swimming Scheme Payment Due	
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	
16/11/2018	PSSA Week 2 12:00pm - 3:00pm	Stage 2 and 3
19/11/2018	Swimming Scheme Commences 9:00am - 11:00am	
23/11/2018	PSSA Week 3 12:00pm - 3.00pm	Stage 2 and 3
27/11/2018	Year 6 Parent Information Evening Woonona High School	
28/11/2018	Last Scripture/Ethics Lessons	
30/11/2018	PSSA Week 4 12:00pm - 3:00pm	Stage 2 and 3
30/11/2018	Swimming Scheme Finishes 9:00am - 11:00am	
4/12/2018	Year 6 Orientation Day Woonona High School	
5/12/2018	Stage 1 Showcase 11:45am	
5/12/2018	P&C Dinner	
6/12/2018	Woonona High School Presentation Evening	
7/12/2018	PSSA Week 5 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	
14/12/2018	Reports Go Home	
17/12/2018	Year 6 Farewell Dinner	
18/12/2018	CAPA Showcase Variety Night Woonona High School	
19/12/2018	Last Day of Term for Students	
30/01/2019	Students Year 1 to Year 6 Return to School for 2019	

Calendar subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances

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Uniform Opening Hours Term 4 Tuesday 2:30pm - 3:15pm (odd weeks) Friday 8:30am - 9:30am

Uniform Shop

Afternoons 2:30 – 3:15 p	m	Mornings 8:30 – 9:30 am			
		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

Vote For Woonona Public School

Thanks to the Greater Banks stronger communities initiative, Woonona Public School is a nominee, along with two other community groups in the November round, to receive some funding. The organisation that receives the most votes gets \$2000 with the 2 runners up each receiving \$500. Building on our healthy canteen strategy, we would love to use this funding to upgrade our canteen and get a new oven; should the voting be in our favour. So please set the reminder in your calendar and spread the word to friends and family. Voting is now open. You can vote every hour and from multiple devices (phone, ipad and computer - as long as it has a different IP address) until 5pm, 28/11/18. Below is the link for you to vote and share and see how our votes are tracking live. It's a really easy way we can all help contribute to our children's school so thank you in advance

and fingers crossed. <u>https://www.greater.com.au/latest-offers/</u> <u>greater-illawarra</u>





Please be aware that there are students in our school with allergies to nuts. We ask that you give consideration to voluntarily agreeing not to send nut products, in particular peanuts and peanut butter, to school.

Woonona Public School Canteen Roster Roster Term 4 2018

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Community News







Have you considered enrolling your child at your local comprehensive high school

in 2020?

Come and take a tour of our school, speak to teachers, students and parents, enjoy sample lessons/activities and experience some of the fantastic opportunities available to students at this innovative comprehensive high school.



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Check-in no later than 9.00am - Group-care facility participants limit of 6 per facility

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Last vear over 150 people had a great day check out the video on Face Book https://www.facebook.com/disabledsurfersassociationsouthcoast Or for more information and who to contact view disabledsurfers.org/nsw/south-coast-branch___or__www.disabledsurfers.org

DSAA Inc Insurance Covers All Events: both public hability and personal accident



See you there putting "Smiles on Dials"



Community members, school groups, families and friends are encouraged to attend a commemorative ceremony and parade as members of the 4th / 3rd Battalion exercise their Freedom of Entry to the City on Saturday 17 November.

The event will start in MacCabe Park at 1pm where the 4th / 3rd Battalion will lay wreaths at the Cenotaph.

NSW Governor General David Hurley AC DSC [Ret'd] will attend the commony with Wollongong City Lond Mayor Councillor Gordon Bradbery AM prior to the march from the Cenotaph in MacCabe Park. The march will proceed into the City Centre, via Globe Lone and finish at the eastern end of the Mall at Kembla Street

The ceremony commemorates the centenary of the end of World War I in November 1918

The City welcomes the Battalion exercising their right to Freedom of Entry. The Battalion was granted Freedom of Entry in March 2004. The ceremony and parade on 17 November will recognise the vital role the 4th / 3rd battalion has played in the Australian defence forces.

Everyone is encouraged to come out and pay tribute to our local Battalian which has provided assistance to our defence forces for many years.

It is a good opportunity for all community members to see a traditional military parade through the heart of Wallongang where Battalian members will have their bayonets fixed, colours flying and music playing.

The 'Freedom of Entry to the City' is an honour that dates back to medieval times and was granted to military units that earned a city's trust. Citizens of these cities had the power to refuse entry to anned groups unless the citizens were confident of their own . safety.

For more information you can contact Council's Customer Service on [02] 4227 7111 or visit our website at <u>www.wollongong.nsw.gov.au</u>

WOLLONGONG JUNIOR CHESS CLUB

JNR CHESS TOURNAMENT 2018 SPRING SUNDAY (Under 18 Year Olds)

7 ROUND SWISS

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

FAIRY NEADOW COMMUNITY CENTRE - KEIRA ROOM WHERE: Guest Park - Cm Cambridge Ave and **Princess Hwy Fairy Meadow** (Conosite Woolworth)

> Trophy Prizes: 1st, 2nd, 3nd + 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: JOHN MAZZIERI (02) 4283 3080 Phone: mazzieri@exemail.com.au e-mail:

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

Future SUNDAY TOURNAMENTS

TBA-Nov-2018 QUALIFIER

Community News



MINIS For boys and girls aged 2.5 - 3 years

girls years For boys and girls aged 3 - 5 years

JUNIOR For boys and girls aged 6 - 8 years PREMIER For boys and girls aged 9 - II years

PRESCHOOL

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TRANSITION & SQUAD TRAINING

Our **Transition Squad** is aimed at children who have outgrown small learn to swim pools and programs or swimmers who wish to swim for fitness and compete at their school carnival. Children are introduced to a squad environment utilising the 50m pool to further develop their technique and endurance.



Our **Squad Program** encourages commitment to training and provides opportunities for swimmers to strive to improve themselves and be part of a competitive team environment. These squads are available for all ages and focus on stroke technique, fitness and competition race skills.

If you would like to join one of our programs or would like further information please contact Tracey P 0401 253 642 | email: traceswim@gmail.com





The Lions Club of Woonona Inc.

World Festival of Magic Show

FREE ENTRY

Entry is free to all children, parents/carers and anyone wanting to enjoy the show.

Date Friday, 16 November 2018

Show Time Choices 11:00 am, or 4:00 pm or 6:30 pm

Location Woonona Bulli RSL Auditorium

The Lions Club of Woonona requests that your school or organisation be kind enough to advise your students and their families of the Magic Show in the School news-letter please.

Tickets are not required. Entry is FREE is to all children, parents and other family members.

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