

Woolomin Public School

Newsletter Week 3 Term 2

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ANZAC Special Assembly

Last Wednesday we held a belated ANZAC assembly. Thank you to all the parents and community members who attended and enjoyed the wonderful performance by our infants' students.



Bronze Awards: Maiya Douglas and Rylan Byrne

Assembly Awards



Merit Certificate: Emily Milo and Willum Gordon

Principal's Award:
Maiya Douglas



Active after Schools Program

The first active after school netball session took place last Thursday. Netball is being run by Sophie Sincock who works for Netball NSW. Sophie is travelling from Armidale to coach our students so we are very lucky to have her. There are two Thursdays that we will not have after school sport due to Sophie having prior Netball commitments. These dates are 18th May and 1st June.



Small Schools Art Show

Held at Currabubula Public School

Saturday 20th and Sunday 21st May, 2017

Viewing times 10 am – 4 pm each day

Come along and view your child/children's artwork

ALL WELCOME

SRC Friday Lunch

This Friday the SRC special lunch will be Hot Dogs at a cost of \$2.50. Please return order forms tomorrow.

Eco Festival

Students in Years 3-6 have been invited to attend the ECO Festival at Peel High School next Tuesday the 16th May. This festival is focused on the environment and sustainability with over 500 students attending. Students will rotate around workshops including Water Bug Detective, Water testing, Reduce, Reuse Recycle, Water Smart, Team Planting and Keeping our water clean- filtration workshops. Please complete that attached permission note and return to school by Friday to participate in this fantastic opportunity. This excursion supports learning and outcomes for Stage 2 and 3 Science. Prime News and The Northern Daily Leader have been invited.



Anti-Bullying Program

This term our whole school social skills program will focus on anti-bullying. The program will promote positive student behaviour and encourages students to extract themselves from the situation, whether they're the aggressor or the target by using the following key messages:

DON'T be a BULLY...STOP. Think. Breathe. Walk away.

DON'T be a TARGET...SPEAK UP. Stand tall. Tell someone.

BE MORE THAN A BYSTANDER...BE A FRIEND. Don't be an audience.

We aim to develop a shared understanding of bullying, student safety and wellbeing through opportunities for parent/carers education on how to identify the signs of bullying, staff professional development and policy development.

Attached to this newsletter is an information booklet BULLYING AT Woolomin Public School – NO WAY! It is hoped this booklet will provide parents and carers with key information and strategies to support their children with some of the issues surrounding bullying in schools.

At school staff are exploring strategies on how to prevent and deal with classroom bullying. Together with students we are reviewing our Woolomin Public School Anti-Bullying Policy.

With this newsletter, we have also included a brochure that outlines an action plan for students to follow if they experience bullying in any form. Our school community is committed to providing a safe and secure environment promoting personal growth and excellence by developing confidence and self-esteem.

This brochure will also be available in our school office with WPS Student Bullying Policy 2017.

School Uniform

With the winter months fast approaching, there has been a noticeable increase in students wearing jumpers and jackets that are not school uniform. Please ensure your child wears the correct school uniform including a royal blue jumper. There are many jumpers and jackets in the lost property box. Please ensure all students clothing is labelled as it makes it easier to return to owners when items have been removed.

P&C Uniform Exchange

Uniform Exchange is now available for all families of WPS. The Exchange is where you can bring in your old outgrown uniform, in good condition, no holes or stains and exchange it for another size if available. Also don't forget the P & C run a clothing pool at great prices. Don't hesitate to contact us if you need help with uniforms we are here to help no matter what your circumstance, all confidential.

Please contact Mishalee (Uniform Co-ordinator) on 6764 2461.

Mother's Day Stall



This Friday, SRC will operate a small Mother's Day Stall as a service for students who would like to purchase a gift for their Mother or Grandmother. Gifts will range in price from 50c to \$5. Shopping will be at Afternoon Tea time.

Special thanks to Natalie Austin who has donated 3 raffle prizes including one of her delicious iced cakes.

School Attendance

Attached to this newsletter is information concerning school attendance. If you would like further information on attendance the Home School Liaison Officer will be at our school on Wednesday 31st at 12.00pm. Please contact the school if you would like to make an appointment with Megan. Megan will be conducting an annual roll check which is mandatory procedure for all schools.

Education for your child is important and regular attendance at school is essential for your child to achieve their educational best and increase their career and life options. NSW public schools work in partnership with parents to encourage and support regular attendance of children and young people. When your child attends school every day, learning becomes easier and your child will build and maintain friendships with other children.

Interschool Chess Competition

If your child is interested in participating in the chess competition please contact the school so we can enter them and send more information home. This activity will be the responsibility of parents to transport and supervise on the day.

Date: Friday 16th June, 2017

Venue: Calrossy Anglican School
(Secondary Boys Campus)

242 Moore Creek Road, Moore Creek, NSW, 2340

Cost: \$14 per child.

School will be invoiced after the tournament takes place.

Time: Registration is from 8:30am on the day of the tournament.

Round 1 begins at 9:30am.

Prize giving will commence at approximately 2:00pm.

There will be a lunch break, as well as short breaks in between the rounds.

Dates for Your Diary

Week 3

Thursday 11 th May	Naplan
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Week 4

Tuesday 16 th May	Eco festival at Peel H.S for Yrs. 3-6 students
Wednesday 17 th May	Small School's Soccer @ Farrer
Thursday 18 th May	Netball gala day
Friday 19 th May	Zone X country in Barraba

Week 5

Tuesday 23 rd May	WPS debating team v's Walcha C.S
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Week 7

Tuesday 6 th June	CWA combined day
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Week 8

Monday 12 th June	Queen's Birthday Public holiday
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Good for Kids good for life

INCIDENTAL PHYSICAL ACTIVITY

It all adds up! Physical activity doesn't just mean team sports. There are simple and cheap ways to get your kids active.

Children should be getting at least 60 minutes of moderate to vigorous activity (that is activity that makes them "huff and puff") across the day. Whether it be walking, riding a scooter, cycling or even playing hide and seek! It all adds up.

Here are some ideas to keep your kids entertained during those cold winter months:

- Playing games like 'Simon Says', and 'Hide and Seek' in the backyard
- Walking or cycling to and from the local park, shops or school
- Taking the dog for a walk
- Playing games with siblings such as skipping, hopscotch or handball

These activities don't require any uniforms, expensive sporting equipment or registrations.

Check out this activity diary to keep track of how much physical activity your kids are getting. <https://www.healthkids.nsw.gov.au/kids-teens/kids-activities/activity-diary.aspx>



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