

Woolomin Public School

Newsletter Week 5, Term 3

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Assembly Awards – Week 5



K/1/2 Merit Certificate:

Mayci Oliver

For excellent effort
when writing.

3-6 Merit Award:

Charlie Meredith

For fantastic focus and
on task work in
English. Solid progress
in reading activities.

Merit Certificates:

Indiana Fisher, Mayci
Oliver, Connor Jones,
Charlie Meredith,
Emma Lee



Principal's Award:

Tyler Summers

For enhanced attitude
and application in the
classroom and
playground towards
putting his best foot
forward.

Caught You Being

Good Prize:

Jacob Le Man



Spelling Bee



On Tuesday, eight students travelled to Blackville PS to participate in the Small Schools Spelling Bee. These students qualified for this opportunity through successfully winning their stage spelling rounds that were held at Woolomin Public School last week.

It was a new and daunting experience for our students however in true Woolomin spirit they gave it their best shot and embraced the opportunity to show all the hard work that went into learning the Premier's Spelling Lists.

We are especially proud of Tobias Douglas and Tyler Woodard, who represented Year 1 and 2. Mrs Douglas reported that she was more nervous than our boys, who had to present their words to a huge audience!

Mr Burnett reported that he was in the room with the year 3 and 4 spellers when he heard facilitators comment on the clear and precise delivery of Corbin, Bryce and James. No other "competitors" received the same response! Go Woolomin!

We are very proud of every student who stepped up to this new challenge and had a go. We talk to the students often about 'stepping outside your comfort zone' and having a go at new experiences and about the rewards of putting in extra effort to achieve amazing results.

Big Congratulations to James Sampson who received a medallion for YEAR 4 SPELLING CHAMPION! James achieved this result not just, because he is a brilliant speller but because he spent many hours practising the list words and showing commitment to his studies. We have seen James achieve similar personal results on the sporting fields by applying the same approach to his fitness and sport. James often arrives at school after spending the early morning doing laps around the local oval training for events or personal fitness. What an inspiration!

Special thanks to our super parents who were able to provide transport on this occasion. Without your support, we would not be able to get our students to these events as frequently as we do. It was a big and unfamiliar drive and a whole day excursion so thank you. We especially thank and acknowledge Mrs Smith who drove one student out to the event. Mrs Smith arrived at work that morning with her office day mapped out, however did not hesitate to offer to drive our student out when she realised extra transport was needed. This reflects the philosophy of our small school – **every student counts** and **students come first every time**.

I am privileged to work with amazing students, engaged and supportive parents and passionate, committed staff.

Book Fair and Community Read Day

On Wednesday, we had our Book Fair and Community Read day. The day kicked off with students arriving dressed up as garden gnomes or gardeners (we even had a scarecrow) before getting the opportunity to stroll through the Scholastic Book Fair set up in the school library. Students were able to browse a huge selection of books, posters and activities before making their purchases and taking them outside to sit in the beautiful sunshine and have a read of their new books.





Emma Lee and Miss Burford introduce some new friends to the students.

We had many parents and visitors come along to join students in officially opening the school Platypus Garden, enjoy a yummy sausage sizzle, and listen to an amazing presentation by Phil Sparks, on our unique Australian Flora and Fauna before heading down for some tree planting and mural painting.



Connor Jones (avid gardener and worker in the Platypus Garden) presented a Platypus Sculpture to Woolomin Public School in honour of the opening of the Platypus Garden.

This area of our school is growing into an exciting yet calming and useful learning space. The idea for the Platypus Garden originated about 20 years ago when Mrs Tongue (now our scripture teacher) was on playground duty and commented on how it was a shame that the area now known as the Platypus Garden, was out of bounds, as it was such an interesting space. 20 years later, it has become just that!

This is a real example of how schools grow and develop from the people who work, learn and live within the community that they are established in.

School planning is a result of a succession of people who contribute to the evolution of local schools. Schools thrive on committed individuals and groups working hard to build on the efforts of those who came before them.

Other recent examples include Mr Phil Sparks (ex-student) returning to teach our current students about the environment and Mr Tony Jones, another ex-student who provides ongoing support and interest in the progressive development of Woolomin Public School.

There is something very special about our small school that captures the hearts of all those who work and learn here. We often talk to the students about the possibility of them returning here one day to share their life journeys, skills and knowledge with future generations.



Food Technology

This week, Infants and Primary rotated groups in the Kitchen Garden program. Primary commenced learning about composting in Environmental Science and Infants made Gippsland Dairy Yogurt tarts. This healthy dessert involved the students making a tart base filled with delicious healthy yogurt. The students learnt how yogurt is made and increased their knowledge of dairy foods.



K-2 loves the taste of Gippsland Yogurt.



Joseph Sampson and Willum Gordon proved to be Super Chefs!



Rylan Byrne and Mercedes Rowan would give Zumbo some competition making healthy treats.



Allee Thompson and Jacob Le Man gave cooking the Thumbs Up!



Holly Meredith, Tyler Woodard and Grace Hoad, getting some cooking tips from CWA Cooking coordinator and WPS helper Mrs Kimball.

Zone Athletics

Last Friday we had 12 students qualify for the Zone Athletics carnival. Talia, Indiana, Fiona, Eva, Riley, Glen, Joseph, James, Tyler, Luke, Ravyn and William all had a fantastic day, competing to the best of their abilities. A special mention for qualifying for Regionals goes to Tyler for High Jump, and Riley, James, Tyler and Ravyn for our school Relay Team. A fantastic effort by all! We wish them the best of luck on the 1st September.



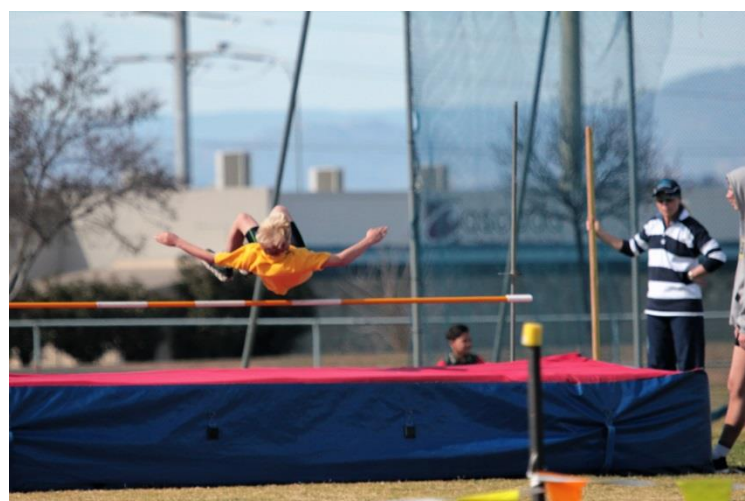
Eva enjoying the 100m sprint



Students representing WPS in the School March Past.



Talia and Indiana competing in the 100m



Tyler flying high in High Jump

Empty sauce bottles

We are looking for empty, clean, plastic sauce bottles, to use for paint, if you have any would you please bring them into the office.

We are also still collecting plastic bottle tops for a platypus sculpture.

Gym Program at THS

On Monday 21st August, students in K-6 commence a Gym Program at Tamworth High School. Please ensure all notes and money have been returned by this Friday 18/8/17.

CAPERS Excursion

Next Tuesday 22nd August, students in K- will travel to Tamworth High School for the CAPERS dance rehearsal. This involves our school joining with other small schools to bring together the different dance moves we have been learning into one dance for the CAPERS Spectacular in November at the TREC.

Please ensure permission notes are sent in by Friday 18th August.

Sports in Schools Program

Athletics coaching will continue from 2.30pm-4.30pm this Monday with Adam Joliffe from Little Athletics.

Nestle Win a Kitchen Cart Nomination

<https://www.nestlepromotions.com.au/winkitchenkart>

Nestle are running a promotion to nominate a school to win a Kitchen Cart to the value of \$25,000. This would be an amazing addition to our outdoor Kitchen Garden Program in teaching the students about growing and using fresh produce. If parents and community members could log on to the above address and nominate Woolomin Public School to win the Kitchen Cart it would be very much appreciated. Please also spread the word to family and friends as this really would be a valuable opportunity for the Woolomin Students to benefit from.

There's also the opportunity when nominating the school, for you to go into the draw to win a \$1000 VISA Load & Go gift card! Win/Win!

Friday SRC Lunch

This week we have Hot Dogs available at \$1.50 each

Coming up this term:

Week 6 – Mini Pizza Singles
Week 7 – Fish and Chips
Week 8 – Chicken Noodle Soup
Week 9 – Chicken Nuggets
Week 10 – TBA

A reminder that Toasties are not available on Fridays.

Community News

Seeking numbers for those interested in attending a Mental Health First Aid Course, to be held in September at the Woolomin Evacuation Centre. Date to be advised pending numbers. There will be no cost to attend and will run for two consecutive days.

If you would like to register your interest please contact either:

Vicki McDonald on 67 642366 or

Helen-Mary Jones on 67 712815 / 0448 092140

2018 Kindergarten

Enrolments

If you would like your child to have a quality educational experience that is tailored to their individual needs and interests please contact the school now for enrolment in 2018.

Extended Transition Program- Term 3

This program commences in two weeks on a Wednesday. Please contact the school to ensure your child is part of this great learning and social experience.

Ages: This program is suitable for children aged 3-5 years old

Time: 9am -11.15am

Day: Wednesdays

Dates: 30/8, 6/9, 13/9, 20/9

Activities: Craft, Social Games, Story Time, Gross Motor Skills, Fine Motor Skills Practice and much more!

Program 2: School Readiness Program

This program is to provide children who are turning 5 before July 2018 and intend on commencing Kindergarten in 2018. Children will spend time in the

K-2 classroom learning the routines and expectations of 'big school'.

Ages: This program is suitable for children enrolling in Kindergarten in 2018.

Day: Tuesday

Dates and Times: 17/10/17	9am-1.15pm
24/10/17	9am-1.15pm
7/11/17	9am-1.15pm
14/11/17	9am-3pm
28/11/17	9am-3pm

RSVP to the school by phoning the school to inform us that your child will be attending. Please indicate the program or programs you would like your child to attend.

School Phone Number- 67642274

Please note when enrolling your child you need to bring their birth certificate and immunisation details and any medical information / health care plans.

Calendar – Term 3

Week 6

Tuesday 22nd August

CAPERS

Week 7

Wednesday 30th August

Extended Kindy Transition Program

Friday 1st September

Regional Athletics Carnival

Week 8

Wednesday 6th September

Extended Kindy Transition Program

Week 9

Wednesday 13th September

Extended Kindy Transition Program

Week 10

Wednesday 20th September

Extended Kindy Transition Program

