

# Woolomin Public School

Newsletter Week 2, Term 3

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## Awesome Assembly Awards for Week 1



### Miss Burford's Award

**Laylah O'Malley:** Focus and using initiative in Visual Art lessons.



### Mrs McMahon's Award

**Liam Wells:** Demonstrating his ability to work independently on research tasks in class.



### Ms Nagle's Award

**Talia Summers:** For returning to school ready to learn.



### Principal's Award

**Eva Scheffe:** Excellent Leadership at school assemblies. Leading with confidence and being a good role model.



### "Caught you being good" Prize

**Laylah O'Malley**





#### **Merit Awards:**

Jackson Hoad, Amba Graham, Emma Adams, Grace Hoad, Lily Parkinson, Maverick Parkinson and Holly Meredith (absent)



#### **2018 Small Schools Art Show.**

**Stage One, Black and White Section,  
3<sup>rd</sup> prize:**

**AJ Self**



## **NAIDOC Celebrations**

Last Friday, Woolomin staff and students in K-6 joined with students from Somerton, Attunga, Currabubula and Duri schools to participate in a wide range of NAIDOC week activities at Somerton PS.

Activities included painting a Rainbow Serpent, designing and playing Clap Sticks, participating in Indigenous Games, making necklaces and learning about Aboriginal styles of painting.

Senior boys were taught how to throw spears by Mark Atkins and senior girls learnt about traditional women's games. This excursion was part of our school plan and commitment to the Winanga-li Learning Alliance.

Our participation in this alliance is providing our students and staff with a valuable professional teaching and learning network. Our students are making new friendships and appear to be enjoying exploring different playgrounds!

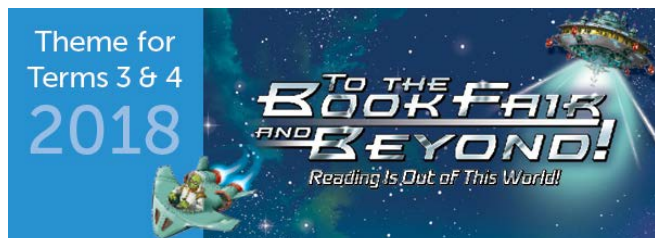


# Education Week

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Education Week 2018 runs from Monday 6 August to Friday 10 August with the theme 'Today's schools – creating tomorrow's world'.

Our school will celebrate Education week with several events. School families and community members are very welcome to attend any or all these events.



**Reading expands the mind and nourishes the imagination.**

## Book Fair

**Wednesday 8/7/18- 10am-12:00 and 1.15-1.45pm**

With an 'out-of-this-world' theme, students and parents alike can blast off to a universe full of books. Our school receives a percentage of the total books sold which enables us to refresh our library with new books. Please come along and have a look and maybe kick-start some Christmas shopping!

## Community Read

**Wednesday 8/7/18- 10am-11.15am**

School families, grandparents and community members are invited to a pleasurable morning of reading and exploring books with students in the warm sunshine.

## Cake Stall

**Wednesday 8/7/18- 11.15am**

SRP are coordinating a cake stall that will be selling a range of delicious treats ranging in price from 50c - \$5. Donations of slices, biscuits, cakes, fudges will be gratefully accepted from Monday of Week 3.

## Community Sausage Sizzle

**Wednesday 8/7/18- 11.15am**

A sausage sizzle will be available to celebrate Education Week and all the amazing teaching and learning at Woolomin Public School.

As part of our school's awareness of the hardships many families and communities are enduring due to the drought, there will be no cost for a sausage sizzle and drink for all those who attend. There will also be free tea and coffee.

To help with catering please RSVP to the school on 67642274 with the numbers in your family who will be attending.

## School Spelling Bees

**Thursday 9/7/18- 9.00 -11.15am**

Our school Spelling Bee rounds will be held throughout the morning.

Miss Burford will host the K-2 spelling Bee in the library.

Ms Nagle will host the Years 3-4 (Junior) Spelling Bee in the Infants' room.

Mr Burnett will host the Years 5-6 (Senior) round in the Primary room.

The top two students from each section (Infants, Juniors and Seniors) will progress to the Blackville Small Schools' Spelling Bee Competition.

# Spelling Bee Challenges

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This term our school is offering students the opportunity to be involved in a spelling extension program. This program is a fun and educational way for students to engage in spelling. The program aims to engage students with spelling and to promote improved literacy in combination with the English K-10 Syllabus.

Participating students will be given a list of words that will be included in the spelling bee and a home practice book. They will be given additional time in class to learn their words. The program will involve two spelling competitions. The first competition will be at school level and will follow the procedural rules of the Premiers Spelling Competition. The second level will involve travelling to Blackville PS for a Small Schools' competition. The word lists will be the same for each competition.

**WPS Spelling Bee Competition Date:** Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> August, 2018

**Blackville PS Spelling Bee Competition Date:** Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> August 2018

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# Small School Conference

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On Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> and Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> Woolomin School staff participated in the Small Schools Conference hosted at Oxley Vale Public. Our staff met with staff from many of the regions small schools and participated in a number of workshops ranging from updating knowledge of office programs to new classroom programs and lessons.

We were incredibly fortunate to have our very own Mrs McMahon on the organising committee, ensuring a range of high quality workshops were on offer.

# Teacher Professional Learning

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This evening from 5pm to 7pm teachers will be extending their knowledge and understanding of integrating technology into everyday learning with technology expert Bev Baddage, as part of their Winanga-li Learning Alliance professional learning.

# School Photos

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A reminder that this Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> July we have school photographer Donna Davidson, coming in for our school photos. Please ensure students come to school wearing the correct full winter uniform ready for their photos in the morning.

# Debating Team

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Students interested in debating will have the opportunity to be a part of a debating workshop with Mr Burnett on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> July at school to prepare to compete in two debates on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> August at Tamworth South Public School. Parent support with transport to and from Tamworth South PS will be needed. Notes will go home to competing students families with more details and a request for help with transport next week.

# Peel Valley Athletics Carnival

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Students who have turned 8 years and above will participate in the Peel Valley Athletics Carnival at Dungowan Athletics Field on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2018. Thank you to parents for providing their own children's transport to this event. There will be a sausage sizzle and fundraising cake stall available to purchase from. Please see attached flyer for prices and details of the cake stall fundraiser. Mrs McMahon and Ms Nagle will be supervising on the day and running the shot put event. Parent helpers on the day will be appreciated. Please let Mrs McMahon know if you are available to help.

# Woolomin Public School Kindergarten Orientation Programs

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This year Woolomin School is offering **two different programs** designed to provide children living in the area with the opportunity to become familiar with their local school.



## Program One: Extended Transition Program

**Aim:** The aim of this program is to provide families the opportunity to spend time in their local school in the years leading up to enrolment in Kindergarten so that they become familiar with the school grounds, staff, students and routines.

Parents are invited to stay for the duration of the program and enjoy a cuppa with other parents while their child spends time getting to know Miss Burford (K-2 teacher) and other children while engaging in a social skills program.

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

**Time:** 9am-11.15am

**Day:** Thursday

**Dates:** 6/9, 13/9, 20/9, 27/9

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



## School Readiness



### Program Two: School Readiness Program

**Aim:** The aim of this program is to provide children who are turning 5 before 31<sup>st</sup> July 2019 and intend on commencing Kindergarten in 2019. 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 2019.

**Day:** Wednesday

<b>Dates and Times:</b>	<b>24/10/18</b>	<b>9am-1.15pm</b>
	<b>31/11/18</b>	<b>9am-1.15pm</b>
	<b>7/11/18</b>	<b>9am-1.15pm</b>
	<b>14/11/18</b>	<b>9am-3pm</b>
	<b>21/11/18</b>	<b>9am-3pm</b>
	<b>28/11/18</b>	<b>9am-3pm</b>

**RSVP to the school by Friday 10.8.18** 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.**

## Walk for Autism Awards

**Most Funds raised:** Amba Graham.

**Showing Gratitude to our parent helpers:** Bryce Thompson



## Winter Uniform Sock Change

In line with our girls wearing navy stockings, the correct sock colour for winter uniform for boys and girls should be the same (navy). As from Term 3, students will be required to wear navy socks with winter uniform. They can choose long or short socks as long as they are navy. As from the start of Term 3, socks (both long and short) will be available at cost price from the P&C Uniform Pool. Socks can also be purchased from Best & Less, Target and K-Mart. For further information, please speak to Kate Summers or Jo Meredith (Uniform Coordinators).

## P&C Uniform / Clothing Pool Winter 2018

Just a reminder that we have many new and secondhand items in stock including Winter/ Summer Dresses, Shirts, Ties, Navy Dress Pants ANYONE with uniform needs, that may need a payment plan please come and see Jo or Kate, we are here to help! We also offer The Uniform Exchange, bring in your out-grown Uniform in good condition and exchange it for a larger size. Too Easy!

**Please ensure ALL items of Uniform are CLEARLY marked with students name so they can find their way back home. All our students are encouraged to place their items in their bag as they take them off. Any items left lying around the school are put into the lost property box in the office, where the students can find them.**

We are at school most mornings and afternoons for your uniform needs

Thanks for your ongoing support

Jo Meredith - Uniform Coordinator – 67693341



# Mini Canteen

Ham and Cheese toasties are available Monday to Thursday for \$2.50. Toasties will not be available Friday due to SRC Special Lunch.

Sipahh straws and a glass of milk, will be available as part of our ongoing lunch menu for \$1.50 Monday - Friday.

This Friday we will have boat tacos available for \$2.00 each. Please ensure catering forms are completed and returned to the office by Wednesday to ensure students are catered for. Late orders may result in toasties if special runs out.

Specials for the remainder of this term are:

- Week 3: Hot Dogs
- Week 4: Spaghetti Bolognaise
- Week 5: Beef Stroganoff
- Week 6: Lasagne
- Week 7: Butter Chicken
- Week 8: Party Pies
- Week 9: Sausage Rolls
- Week 10: Pizza

# P&C News

P&C meetings have been scheduled for the first Wednesday of each month at 7pm, with the exception of October as listed below.

Upcoming meetings scheduled for 2018:

- **Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> August (this week)**
- Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> September
- Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> October (Moved due to school holidays)
- Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> November
- Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> December

# Term 3 Calendar

## Week 2

Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> July	Attunga STEM day
Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup> July	School Photos

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> August  
Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> August

P&C Meeting 7pm  
Shake a Leg starts  
Peel Valley Athletics

## Week 3

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> August

Book Fair  
Community Read  
SRC Cake stall  
Community Sausage Sizzle

Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> August

Spelling Bee

## Week 4

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> August

Blackville Spelling Bee

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> August

Soccer Knockout

## Week 5

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> August

QHS Taster day yr. 5&6

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> August

Mrs Mc at Principals Meeting

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> August

Woolomin PS Athletics  
Carnival

## Week 6

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> August

Debate at Tamworth SouthPS

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> August

Mrs Mc at Principals Meeting

Friday 31<sup>st</sup> August

Zone Athletics

## Week 7

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September

Great Aussie Bush Camp

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> September

Great Aussie Bush Camp

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> September

Great Aussie Bush Camp

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> September

Kindy Orientation 9-11.15

## Week 8

Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> September

Kindy Orientation 9-11.15

## Week 9

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September

Kindy Orientation 9-11.15

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> September

Regional Athletics

## Week 10

Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> September

Kindy Orientation 9-11.15