

Woolomin Public School

Newsletter Week 2, Term 1

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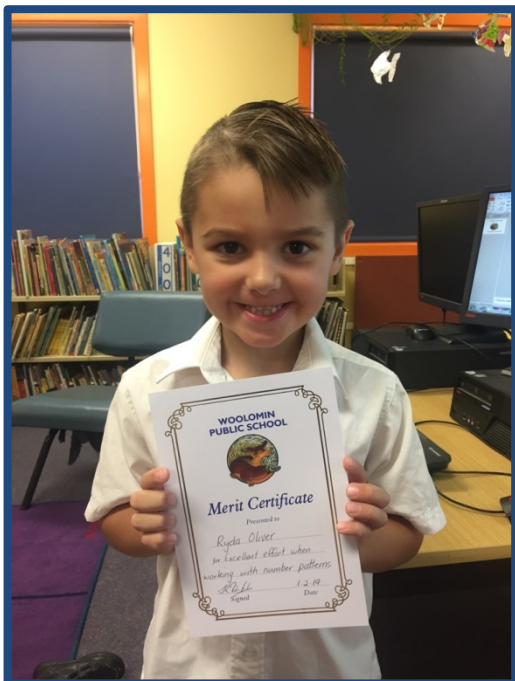
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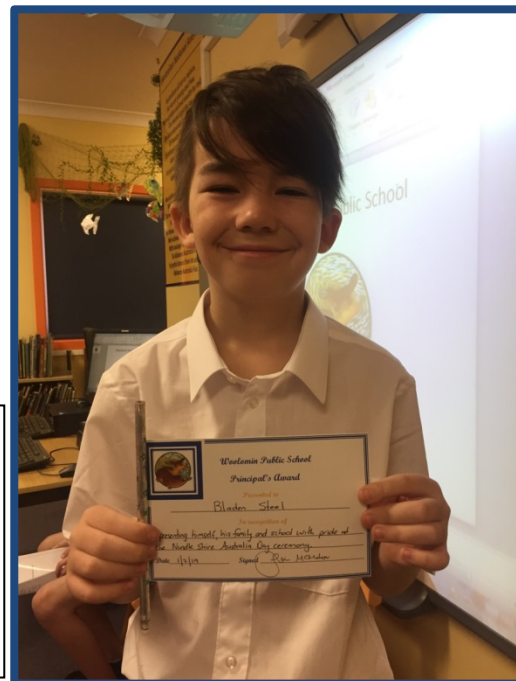
Week 1 Assembly Awards



Miss Burford's Award:

Ryda Oliver

For: excellent effort when working with number patterns.



Principal's Award:

Bladen Steel

For: representing himself, his family and school with pride at the Nundle Shire Australia Day ceremony



Mrs McMahon's Award:

Liam Wells

For: stepping up into Year 6 leadership roles on day one of 2019.



Caught You Being Good Prize:

James Sampson

WPS Swimming Carnival

The school swimming carnival held on Wednesday at Nundle pool was a great success. The weather was beautiful and most importantly our students were outstanding! They were well behaved, supportive of each other and participated with HEART and GRIT.

Greg Poetschka, the swim coach we employed to provide students with additional training tips, commented that even in big schools he does not see the number of students Woolomin had willing to have a go in the more challenging events like the 100m events, Individual medley and butterfly events. Our students were amazing and showed a CAN DO spirit.

It was wonderful to see so many of our previous non-swimmers now swimming and competing in 25, 50 and 100m events.

Congratulations to every student who gave their very best on the day.

Our swimming champions for 2019 are:

Minor Girl Champion – Maiya Dougals

Junior Girl Champion – Allee Thompson

Junior Girl Runner Up – Talia Summers

Junior Boy Champion – Tyler Woodard

Junior Boy Runner Up – Tobias Douglas

Senior Girl Champion – Lily Parkinson

Senior Boy Champion – James Sampson

Senior Boy Runner Up – Bryce Thompson

The day ran smoothly thanks to our parent helpers assisting with time keeping, transport and cheering our students on. Special thanks to the Jones family for providing a watermelon for a delicious treat at the end of racing.



Athletics Gold

Big congratulations to James Sampson for winning Gold at the Regional Athletics Championships during the holidays in High Jump. James' achievement earns him a place to compete at the NSW State Athletic Championships in April. Well Done James!



Returning Notes

During the year, and especially at the beginning of each term, a number of permission notes are sent home to families. **It is extremely important these are returned in a timely manner by the listed due date.**

Each term, Mrs Hughes spends countless hours resending notes and calling parents to chase up unreturned notes.

Returned notes allow Mrs Hughes and our teacher's time to fully organise and cater for events. Continually chasing up unreturned notes, takes valuable time away from the other important jobs that go on behind the scenes.

Un-returned notes may result in those students being unable to participate in school events.

A blue folder has been made available to all students and the returning of these folders and notes to the office is important. If students cannot locate their blue folders please contact Mrs Hughes to arrange a new one. Students will also need to be checking their pigeon holes daily for notes and information to go home.

Science & Engineering Challenge

Interested students in Years 5 and 6 are invited to participate in the Science & Engineering Challenge at the TREC on the 22/3/19. Interested students are to see Mrs McMahon to register their interest.

Mini Canteen



Mini Canteen is available each Monday to Friday with prices listed as below.

Ham & Cheese Toasties (Mon-Thur)	\$3.00
Ice Blocks	\$1.00
Chocolate Yowie Cups	\$2.00
Rainbow Billabong Icecreams	\$2.00
Sippah Straws (Choc, Caramel, Strawb)	\$1.50
Frozen Orange Quarters	\$0.10 each
Friday Special	\$TBA wkly

Friday Specials

Week 2	Hot Dogs	\$2.50
Week 3	Chicken Dumpling	\$1.00 ea
Week 4	Spaghetti Bolognaise	\$3.00
Week 5	Homemade sausage rolls	\$1.50 ea
Week 6	Tacos	\$3.00 ea
Week 7	Fried Rice	\$3.00
Week 8	Party Pies	\$0.50 ea
Week 9	Croissants Ham & Cheese	\$3.00
Week 10	Jelly Cups	\$1.50
Week 11	Pancakes	\$2.00

Please complete the attached order form and return by Wednesday each week if you wish to order the Friday special. Late orders may result in an alternate lunch if special has sold out.

Emergency Drill

Today we had our first emergency drill for the year. Staff and students practiced an evacuation, and after hearing our emergency bell, followed teachers to the large rock at the bottom of the school oval before awaiting further instructions. After the drill, students and staff had a discussion about our emergency plan and ways we could improve.

Some of our students spoke about their emergency plans at home and we encouraged all students to go home and have a family discussion about what they should do in an emergency situation at home, such as a safe place to meet and what they should and shouldn't bring along with them.

Stop Press!

Following discussions at the Week 2 staff meeting, the school newsletter will now be published each Friday.

Thursdays in the office can be quiet busy, with Mrs McMahon and Mrs Hughes in and out of meetings and catching up on the day to day school organisation and after a 2 week trial, have quickly realised a Thursday newsletter isn't going to work.

World's Greatest Shave

On Wednesday 27th February, Jack Thompson (Allee and Bryce Thompson's big brother) is taking part in the World's Greatest Shave for the Leukaemia Foundation. Jack has a sponsor page and would love the Woolomin Community to get behind and support his amazing effort. Jack currently has a goal to raise \$860 and has raised \$357.05 as of Thursday Morning. The link to his support page if you would like to sponsor him is:

<http://my.leukaemiafoundation.org.au/jackthompson1>

P&C – News

P&C NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 2019 Annual General Meeting of the Woolomin Public School Parents and Citizens' Association will be held on **Wednesday 20th February 2019 commencing at 7pm**. Following acceptance of the minutes from the 2018 AGM and the tabling of the Audit Report for the half-year ended 31 December 2018, all current office bearer roles will be declared vacant and nominations called for the following positions: •President •2 x Vice Presidents •Secretary •Treasurer. All current P&C members are encouraged to attend the AGM to vote and/or nominate for vacant positions on the executive and sub-committees.

For more information concerning any aspects of the P&C including the conduct of the AGM, and the roles of executives and sub-committees, please go to the NSW P&C Federation website; <http://www.pandc.org.au/faq.seo>

The AGM is open to all parents and carers who wish to attend, however only financial members are eligible to vote and/or nominate for vacant positions.

School Information

This year Sport lessons will be held each Thursday and students will be expected to come to school dressed in their Sports Uniform. We currently have a range of sizes in stock of the new sport uniform in our Clothing Pool if students need to purchase.

Library day will also be held each Thursday for students.

Further information for the 2019 school year will be provided at the Week 3 School Information night.

Book Club

The first issue of Book Club for 2019 is now available. All orders and payments are due back by Wednesday 13th February or alternatively can be made via the Book Club website.

Hearing Health Checks

On the 20th February, Students in Kindy and Year 1 will have the opportunity to undergo eye and hearing checks at school. The eye check will be administered by NSW health nurses and the hearing check will be administered by teachers through a NSW Health Hearing program. These checks will be conducted in the coming weeks at school and are provided free of charge. All students are encouraged to participate for early detection of any problems or issues.

Further information will be sent home with the permission note for Kindergarten and Year One students tomorrow.

Care Package Letters

Last November our students sent care packages to Australian soldiers deployed overseas. Our students showed great empathy and respect for the sacrifice that defence personnel make and understand how hard it must be for them to be away from their families especially during festive seasons such as Christmas. Please read the attached letter that was sent from a recipient of one of our packages. Well done students!

School Information Night

An information night will be held on Wednesday 13th February commencing with a sausage sizzle at 6pm. The information session will commence at 6.30pm in the primary classroom.

Information will be provided regarding:

- School and classroom timetables, routines and expectations
- Staffing
- Curriculum
- Excursions
- Participation in special events

This is a great opportunity to get an overview of the initiatives and events the school will be engaging in throughout 2019, meet or touch base with your child's teachers and receive information about school routines and services.

Term 1 2019

Week 2

Wednesday 6th February

WPS Swimming Carnival

Week 3

Friday 15th February

Peel Valley Swim Carnival

Week 4

Monday 19th February

Pillow Case Project 12pm

Tuesday 20th February

WLA Meeting – Mrs McMahon

Friday 21st February

Small Schools Cricket

Week 5

Monday 4th March

Healthy Harold Visit

Week 9

Friday 30th March

Good Friday

Week 10

Monday 2nd April

Easter Monday

EVERY DAY COUNTS....

A day here or there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...	that equals...	which is...	and therefore, from Kindy to Year 12, that is...	This means that the best your child can achieve is...
1 day each fortnight	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 ½ a years of school	Equal to finishing Year 11
1 day a week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2 ½ years of school	Equal to finishing Year 10
2 days a week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 7
3 days a week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 4

Give your child every chance to succeed...

Every day counts!



Nundle District Lions Club presents



OBSTACLE

COLOUR RUN



**SATURDAY, 16th FEBRUARY 2019,
FROM 4.30PM**

**NUNDLE SPORT & REC CLUB
GREAT FAMILY DAY OUT. FUN FOR ALL AGES.**

ENTRY \$5

**DON'T FORGET TO WEAR A WHITE T-SHIRT AND TO
BRING CHANGE OF CLOTHES
STAY ON AFTERWARDS FOR DINNER AT THE CLUB**

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G'day Woolomin Public School,

I hope that this letter finds you all well.

I just wanted to thank you for the care package you addressed to an Australian Soldier. It truly means a lot to be thought of when so far away from home. I appreciate your generosity and support in packaging a thoughtful parcel from Australia.

Your care package found me, Warrant Officer Class Two, Natalie Roberts. I am currently deployed to Africa on Operation ASLAN. We are a small number of Australian Soldiers and Officers working with the United Nations in South Sudan.

Back home I am employed by the Australian Regular Army as a Chief Clerk, posted to the 7th Battalion, the Royal Australian Regiment at RAAF Base Edinburgh in South Australia.

There were a lot of letters in my care package and I would like to respond to them below:

Hi Talia. For Christmas in South Sudan the Australian contingent will celebrate together by having a Christmas lunch and yes, I do like animals 😊

Hi Lily Parkinson, James and Charlie. Yes, it will be sad to be away from our families at Christmas but thanks to technology we get to video call home and it feels like our family aren't so far away.

Hi Bladen, Maverick, Indiana, Glen, Connor and Eva. Thank you for your letters and well wishes. I too wish you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Hi Tobi and Joey. Thank you both for your letters. I like that you both like to eat Tobi's mum's pasta and homemade sauce. I too like pasta, and love to make lasagna.

I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year,

Thank you again.

With gratitude,



Natalie Roberts