

Woolomin Public School

Newsletter Term 4 Week 3

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School has been an exciting place to teach and learn with so many wonderful lessons and excursions on offer. It is hard to believe we are nearly in week 5 where teachers will be assessing and commencing reporting on student progress for the final report of the year.

Thank you to the parents who indicated their availability to attend an information session to learn more about the new report formats, updated school behaviour support and management plan and tricks to using COMPASS. Another session will be held Tuesday 5 November at 12pm in the office for anyone wishing to attend. Please let Mrs White know via phone, SMS or email if you plan on attending (so we can organise the meeting space).

Included in this newsletter are updated documents relating to school expectations, which are in line with the department's core expectations. There are three documents.

- Visual version for students
- Formal Woolomin Public School Rules and Expectations
- Department of Education Behaviour Code for Students

The above are core elements of our School Behaviour Support and Management Plan.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs White and the hardworking P&C members for their ongoing support of our students. The P&C are working very hard coordinating fundraising opportunities to enable every student to attend the end of year fun day which includes a trip to the movies, bowling and lunch.

The next fundraising event will be running a Christmas craft stall at the Nundle Christmas Markets commencing 4pm to 9pm on Saturday 9th November. To share the load, P&C have organised a roster where people can volunteer to help out for short periods of time.

It would be amazing if our school families could support this initiative by putting their name on a shift and returning the attached roster to school.

Regards Leisa McMahon

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Awards

Woolomin School has a positive award system that acknowledges students for their academic progress and achievement and positive behaviour.

- ◆ 10 stickers or points is awarded one blue Merit Card.
- ◆ 5 blue Merit Cards are awarded with a Bronze Award.
- ◆ 10 stickers or points are awarded one blue Merit Card.
- ◆ 5 blue Merit Cards are awarded with a Silver Award.
- ◆ 10 stickers or points are awarded one blue Merit Card.
- ◆ 5 blue Merit Cards are awarded with a Gold Award.
- ◆ 10 stickers or points are awarded one blue Merit Card.
- ◆ 5 blue Merit Cards are awarded with a Platinum Banner Award.



Principals Award



Awarded to– Tyson Olive
For– Demonstrating a great attitude towards social skills lessons in particular showing courtesy to others by using impressive manners.

Merit Certificate



Awarded to– McKenna White
For– Unlocking her imagination when story writing.

Merit Certificate



Awarded to– William Adams
For– Extending his learning in English , setting high expectations for quality work.

Woolomin Public School Positive Behaviour and Academic Achievement Award System for this week

Merit Cards	Merit Cards	Bronze Award	Silver Award	Gold Award
McKenna White	Harlee Patrick			McKenna White
Cody Olive	William Adams			Cody Olive
Jaxson Douglas				
Laylah O'Malley				
Emma Adams				

Upcoming events

Term 4

Whole school assemblies– Odd weeks, unless excursion

Dental Visit incursion– 07/11/2024

Parents are now able to give permission and make payments for events through their compass parent portal. It is important for parents to check compass as important notices are posted to families through compass. If you require help with this app or regarding your login, please contact Mrs White in the front office and she can assist you.

Remembrance Ceremony

Woolomin School will host a Remembrance Ceremony on Monday the 11th of November commencing at 10:15am.

This ceremony will be followed by our school assembly (rescheduled from the 8/11/24).

Families and community members are invited to attend the ceremony and stay for a shared morning tea.

Art Blitz

Students have been very busy creating interesting artworks for two exhibitions.

Every student has prepared at least one entry for the Nundle Art Show. Please see upcoming newsletter for information on this event.

Students in the Yurrandaali class have submitted their HOME Project artworks and will be attending the opening on the 8/11/24 at the Tamworth Regional Gallery.

Term 4 Timetable

Please see Term 4 variations to our regular school/class timetables below.

Library: borrowing and returns for K-6 Fridays

Cultural Workshops: Some Wednesdays and Fridays (see calendar on back).

CAPA: Most days we have rehearsals of the Narnia Play.

Sport: Students can still wear their sports uniform on Friday however sport hours for this term will be consolidated over two weeks of intensive swimming later in the term.

PE: Students K-6 participate in physical education most days.

World Teachers' Day

Students presented teachers with a small token of appreciation in recognition of World Teachers' Day which was officially held last Friday. Woolomin School is extremely fortunate to have such amazing, dedicated teachers. We thank them for all the work they do to educate, inspire and empower our learners.



Cultural Program

Mark Atkins will be presenting didge and coolamon workshops commencing this Friday. Mark has been an amazing friend and mentor of Woolomin School for many years and has mentored our students through many cultural initiatives involving learning about Aboriginal cultures and history, art and didge workshops. He recently presented workshops at the Tamworth Regional Gallery with Len Waters. Mark has worked with many of our students over the years making and learning how to play didgeridoos. Mark is also the talented artist who created the murals that are proudly displayed on the library wall.



Responsible Ownership of Pets Program

On Friday a lady came to our school to teach us about being safe around dogs.

I learnt to know when a dog is angry, scared and worried. You should NOT go near an angry dog.

The lady brought her dog so we could pat it. I learnt lots about dogs and ways to keep them happy.

- Cody Olive



Musica Viva Report and Photos

On Tuesday we went to Musica viva. When we got there they played a little song while we waited for Blackville school. When they got there the show started. Their names were Maria on the song board but the program was called Music in my Suitcase. They played many songs. Their instruments were trombone, clarinet, drums and more. We all enjoyed it so much, I wish we could go again. Thank you Mrs Cooper.

-Jaxson Douglas

Year 5



Lego Day Report and Photos

We went to Attunga yesterday. My school had an excursion. My favourite thing was the LEGO. I made a tyre garage and helped Kyan build a motorbike and street. We had 40 minutes to build it. It was fun!!!!

Cody Olive

Year 3

All the students from Woolomin school hopped on the bus and went to Attunga School. The first activity was a LEGO challenge. We had 40 minutes to build a house.

After LEGO we did some math puzzles. They were tricky but fun.

Finally, we went back to school.

Harlee Patrick

Year 1

On Wednesday, week 3, it was LEGO Maths Day. It was a special excursion. My school went to Attunga Public School and Somerton was there too. Somerton and Woolomin travelled by bus. The first activity was the LEGO workshop. I built a house and so did Harlee. My house had a LEGO person holding a hotdog. There was a table with delicious food. The food was a carrot, a croissant and lots more.

The next group was math puzzles. My group was Harlee, two other students from another school and I. The activities were hard but when we worked together, we solved them.

It was such a great day, especially when we went to the playground, and we also got an icy pole. I had so much fun, and I can't wait to come back again next year.

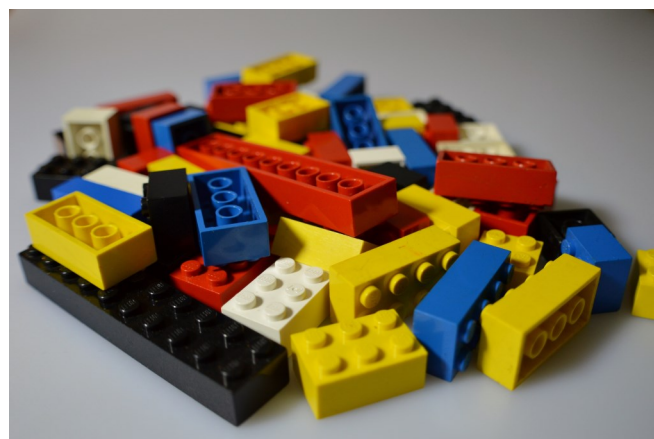
McKenna White

Year 2

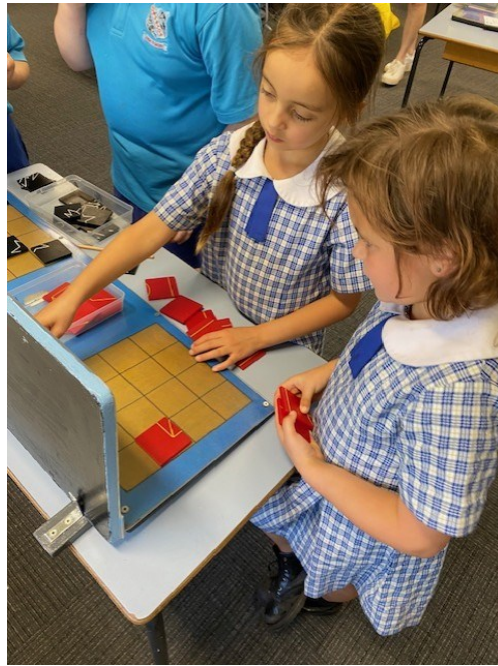
Yesterday our school went to Attunga School. We built LEGO models. I made a jet with weapons. I used black blocks. I liked playing on the equipment. It was fun.

Gage Woodhouse

Year 1



Lego Day Photos



Social Skills

In week one students engaged in the first lesson of this term's Social Skills Program.

Students learnt about the importance of good manners and participated in some fun activities.

Students received special Social Skills Caught You tickets the following week whenever staff overheard them using their manners.

Kyan Fisher was the winner of the Social Skills draw last week. This week the focus is on friendly talk. The students will participate in another lesson on Friday the 1st of November with a focus on emotional regulation.



Halloween Disco Report

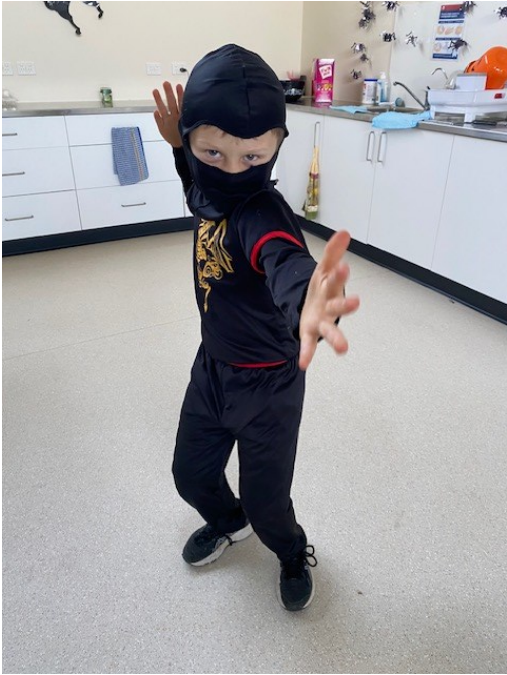
On the 30th of October K-6 students from Nundle, Dungowan and Woolomin went to our Halloween Disco. We got to do games and dancing, I think everyone had fun, the disco went from 5:30-7 it was a big night. We had food, treats and snacks. We thank the people who cooked the barbeque, the P&C and everyone who made the treats and snacks for us. \$278.60 was raised for our school.

- Emma Adams

Year 6



Halloween Disco Photos



There was movement in the sandpit for the word had passed around

That a digger from the big smoke had got away,
And had made its way to join the wild Woolomin crew - not quite a thousand pounds but priceless to those who call the sandpit home.



Caught you having fun!

Gage and McKenna had great fun playing a game of 'agents' responsible for security at Woolomin School.



The Woolomin Public School P&C has been working very hard this year fundraising to meet our end of year goal that was set at the beginning of the year. We wouldn't be able to raise the money we have without the support of our amazing members and our wonderful school and extended community! We still have a of couple fundraises' left for 2024. The P&C is doing the mango fundraiser again this year. If you would like to purchase a tray of mangoes for \$30, please contact Mrs White in the front office or alternatively there will be a order sheet down at the Woolomin General Store Delivery of the mangoes will be approximately the second week of December. The P&C will also have a Christmas craft stall at the Nundle Christmas markets on Saturday the 9th of November for children to create some Christmas creations. And our last fundraiser of the year will be a Christmas movie night on the 6th of December. This will be open to our school families and wider community Please keep an eye our on Facebook and in the newsletter for information about this event.

- Mrs Montanna White

P&C President



Kindergarten School Readiness Program

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Program 2: School Readiness Program

The aim of this program is to prepare children who are turning 5 before 31st July 2025 and intend on commencing Kindergarten in 2025 for their primary journey. 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 2025.

Day: Tuesday

Dates and Times: 5/11 - 9am - 11:15am
12/11 - 9am - 1:15pm
19/11- 9am - 3pm

PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED

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Chaplain's Report

So much happening this term! Narnia is filling my mind - I often wake up singing one of the songs, and students and staff hear me humming them at school! It is wonderful to hear the students reciting their lines and adding the expression needed to make their part come to life.

In Sewing Club, students are nearing the completion of the first project of a hand-stitched pincushion, designed by the students. I loved seeing the look on Emma's face as she turned her work right side out after stitching the front to the back. Sometimes things don't make much sense (like sewing with the right sides together and the side we want to be seen is hidden!) until we see a bigger picture. This can take a lot of trust.

And that leads me to eSafety, as there is a lot of trust involved in using online platforms and ensuring your child remains safe.

Cyberbullying

Cyberbullying is when someone is mean to a child or young person online so they feel bad or upset. Online bullying can be devastating for young people, whose online activities are a key part of their identity and how they communicate.

Key points:

If your child is being cyberbullied, you might feel like you want to stop them using devices, but that can mean they miss out on important experiences. This page outlines some other options.

You can report cyberbullying to the platform where it's happening, and to eSafety if it's severe.

If you decide to report the cyberbullying, or think you may need to later, first collect evidence like screenshots.

For more information about cyberbullying, check out the eSafety website: <https://www.esafety.gov.au/parents/issues-and-advice/cyberbullying>



Healthy Recipe

Creamy Mushroom Pasta Serves 2

Ingredients:

Fettuccine (or pasta of your choice)
Olive oil
Oyster mushrooms, torn or sliced
2 cloves of garlic, diced
1 sprig rosemary
150ml light thickened cream
2 tsp vegetable stock powder
Toasted pine nuts

Method:

1. Cook pasta in a large saucepan of boiling, salted water, following packet directions, until tender. Drain.
2. Meanwhile, heat olive oil in a large frying pan over medium heat. Cook the mushrooms and garlic, stirring, for 3 minutes or until tender.
3. Reduce heat to medium-low. Add cream, rosemary, and sprinkle across vegetable stock powder while stirring. You can add baby spinach in this step if you like.
4. Season with pepper and add a little cream or stock powder if needed to taste.
5. Add pasta to the pan and toss until heated through.
6. Sprinkle it with toasted pine nuts and serve.

Mushroom Report

Having successfully grown some beautiful and delicious button mushrooms last term, this term we are trying some more exotic mushrooms: white, gold and pink oyster mushrooms and Lion's Mane. The first crop of Pink Oysters were harvested this week and the students had the chance to try them in a yummy pasta dish.





Walaaybaa (HOME)

9 November - 1 December 2024

Image: A.K. Tamworth Public School

Exhibition Opening

11 am, Friday 8 November

Walaaybaa HOME is developed as part of the program Home: Aboriginal art from New South Wales in collaboration with the Art Gallery of New South Wales, NSW Department of Education's Arts Unit, Tamworth Regional Gallery, the Kamilaroi/Gomeroi community and participating schools;

Hillvue Public School

Nundle Public School

Dungowan Public School

Tintinhull Public School

Tamworth Public School

Tamworth South Public School

Woolomin Public School

Kootingal Public School



Home: Aboriginal Art from New South Wales



Term 4 Calendar of Events

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
October / November Week 3	28 Toddler Playtime Sewing Club	29 Musica Viva K-6 Excursion	30 Lego / Maths K-6 Excursion Halloween Disco 5.30pm-7pm	31	1 Cultural Workshop Library
Week 4	4 Toddler Playtime Sewing Club	5 Kindergarten Orientation program 9-11.15am	6 Woolomin Kids Club	7 Dental Visit 2026 Selective Schools test Registration opens.	8 HOME Program Exhibition Excursion K-6 Assembly 1:45 pm Scripture 2.30pm
Week 5	11 Remembrance Day Special Assembly 10.30am Toddler Playtime Sewing Club	12 Kindergarten Orientation program 9-11.15pm P&C meeting 4pm	13 Cultural Workshop Woolomin Kids Club	14	15 Cultural Workshop Library
Week 6	18 Toddler Playtime Sewing Club	19 Kindergarten Orientation program 9-3pm	20 Woolomin Kids Club	21	22 Assembly 1:45 pm Scripture 2.30pm
Week 7	25 Swimming Nundle	26 Swimming Nundle	27 Swimming Nundle Woolomin Kids Club	28 Swimming Nundle	29 Swimming Nundle
December Week 8	2 Swimming Nundle	3 Swimming Nundle	4 Swimming Nundle Year 6 Farewell Dinner Woolomin Kids Club	5 Swimming Nundle	6 Swimming Nundle P&C Community Christmas Movie Night 5pm
Week 9	9	10	11 Presentation Day 10am Woolomin Kids Club	12	13 Cultural Workshop Library
Week 10	16	17 Narnia Musical Community Performance	18 Student's Last Day End of Year Fun Day (Movies, Bowling) Reports go home	19 No Students Staff Development Day	20 No Students Staff Development Day

Christmas Markets Volunteer Sheet

Slot		Name of Volunteer
4pm-5pm	Set up half hour & help craft	
5pm-5:30	Help children with crafting	
5:30-6pm	Help children with crafting	
6pm-6:30pm	Help children with crafting	
6:30pm-7pm	Help children with crafting	
7pm-7:30-pm	Help children with crafting	
7:30-8pm	Help children with crafting	
8pm-8:30pm	Last craft & pack up	

If you are able to Volunteer please put your name beside any slots you are able to assist with, thank you in advance.