



# WOLLONGONG PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Term 3, Week 2



Dear Parents,

We are settled back into our routines again, with much great learning happening across the school. Of particular interest this week:

## **Community Hub Official Opening**

This morning we will welcome a range of official guests to our school for the official opening of the three Wollongong area Community Hubs (at Warrawong, West Wollongong and Wollongong Public Schools). We are very proud of the success of our own Hub led by Mrs Yacoub and supported by Hub Co-ordinator Ms Ann Burbrook, and I look forward to today's ceremony to recognise the crucial role the hubs are playing in linking schools with their non-English speaking community members. A full report on the opening will appear in next week's Newsletter.

## **Mind Marathon**

Two teams from 6OC participated in a Mind Marathon competition yesterday (Thursday). Ms Stephenson informed me that it was a great day with lots of challenging problems for the teams to solve, and that one of our teams gained second place overall! All students thoroughly enjoyed the day, and I will ask them to provide us with their view of the experience.

## **Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)**

As I mentioned in last week's Newsletter, our school is adopting the Positive Behaviour for Learning model to support student well-being, and staff and students are currently discussing the various areas on which we might focus at our school. (The model usually has 3 specific areas such as Safety, Respect, Responsibility etc around which we build a living and learning program for the whole school). Students are coming up with some great suggestions for our focus areas, and our PBL team will be attending the next P&C meeting on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> August, to give parents the opportunity to contribute and learn some more about this very effective and supportive program.

## **Southern Stars**

Rehearsals continued this week for Southern Stars, with our Dance troupe participating yesterday. And another massed rehearsal for all performers next Tuesday. Don't forget, the final performances will be held on August 31 and September 1<sup>st</sup> at WIN Stadium, and are well worth attending. Tickets for parents to watch the show are available through Ticketmaster at <http://www.ticketmaster.com.au/Southern-Stars-tickets/artist/2017467?t>

### **Staff Professional Learning afternoon**

Yesterday afternoon all teaching staff participated in a learning session focused around supporting students who have undergone trauma. Particularly those who are refugees and have experienced some very difficult times in their lives. It was an informative and challenging session, with all of us recognising how fortunate we are to live in such a safe country, but also feeling a little more equipped to offer the support for all the students in our care. We will be attending a second session in two week's time in lieu of one of the School Development days at the end of the year.

### **Opportunity Class Test**

Around 20 of our students who have applied for the Opportunity Class of 2019 completed the entry test on Wednesday at Smiths Hill High School. We wish them all the best.

### **Education Week**

Education Week begins next week on Monday 6 August. 8 August. The theme for this year is "Today's schools creating tomorrow's world". Our Open Day for parents is on Wednesday, and on Thursday we will all enjoy a special performance by an Aboriginal performer as an adjunct to our NAIDOC celebrations.

### **PSSA Sport**

PSSA sport will commence next Friday the 10<sup>th</sup> August. Sports featured this term are Touch Rugby (Stage 2 and 3 boys), Basketball (Stage 3 mixed) and Soccer (Stage 2 and 3 girls).

Have a happy and safe weekend,

Kind regards,

*Harold Cosier*

Harold Cosier

## **KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS – 2019**

If you know of anyone who is intending to apply to our school in 2019 please ask them to come to the school and pick up an enrolment pack as soon as possible.

**Our out of area enrolments close on Friday, 7 September, 2018.  
Enrolment forms and all documentation must be back by this date.**

Please get enrolment packs back to the school office ASAP as information regarding play sessions and orientation days which commence early Term 4. Without all your information we cannot keep you informed.

## **CANTEEN NEWS**

Welcome back to Term 3. I am looking forward to seeing all your smiling faces at the canteen.

Please ensure lunch orders are placed at the canteen by 9am. Due to food safety standards hot food orders cannot be accepted after recess. Orders received after recess can only be a sandwich.

Thankyou  
Danni

## CALENDAR – TERM 3

Jul 2018	1	23	24	25	26 Mosaic presentation	27
	2	30	31 ICAS - English	1 OC Placement Test	2	3 HUB Launch
Aug 2018	3	6	7 Southern Stars Mass Dance Rehearsal At WEC	8 Education Week celebration	9	10 PSSA Sport
	4	13	14 ICAS - Mathematics	15 Central Wollongong District Athletics Carnival	16 Central Wollongong District Athletics Carnival	17 PSSA Sport
	5	20	21	22 BOOK PARADE	23	24 PSSA Sport
	6	27	28	29 Southern Stars Dance Rehearsal	30 Southern Stars Rehearsal	31 Southern Stars Show
Sep 2018	7	3	4	5	6	7 PSSA Sport
	8	10	11	12	13	14 South Coast Regional Athletics Carnival
	9	17	18	19	20	21 PSSA Sport
	10	24	25	26	27	28

### Awards Term 3 – Week 1

#### *Certificate of Merit*

**KN** Amy Cheng, Wan-Xin Chin  
**KW** Jana Alhsomi  
**K-1H** Audrey Verduyn, Eligh Kent  
**1-2D** Sophie Moore, Kobe Dent  
**1-2N** Jonah Aiello, BenTominez  
**1-2PC** Calista Visman, Mohid Khan  
**3-4G** Kai Dent, Lilia Kamhiya  
**3-4J** Sebastian Curcio  
**3-4L** Harith Abed, Grace Rossi  
**5OC** Declan Mackay  
**5-6B** Wissam Hdidan  
**5-6HS** Millie Aquilina  
**5-6R** Indianna Fittler  
**5-6S** Amanda Paynter

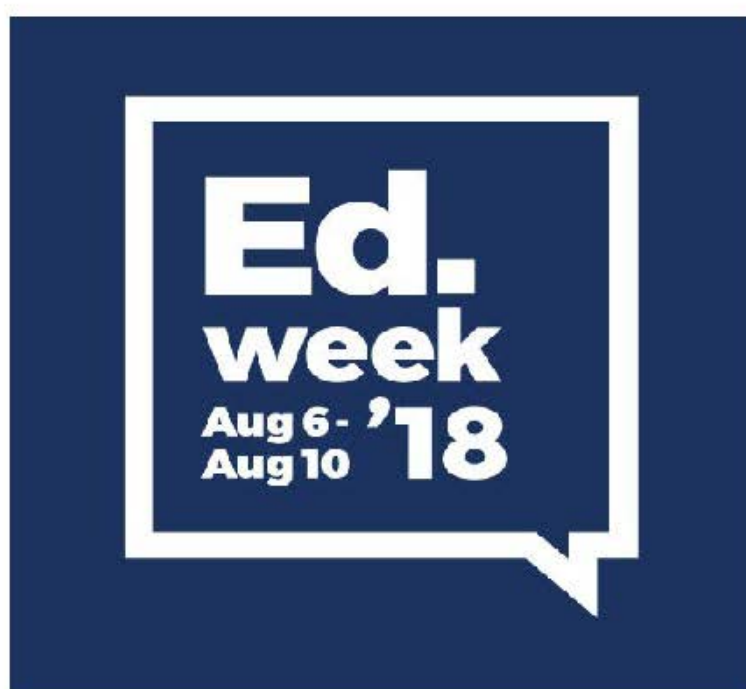
#### *Student of the Week*

**KB** Siyuan Wu  
**KN** Kai Brandon  
**KW** Nikki Ye  
**K-1H** Arin Sag  
**1-2D** Hunter Wakeford  
**1-2N** Matthew Platup  
**1-2PC** Ansu Kamara  
**3-4G** Anwar El-Biza  
**3-4J** Juliette Menanteau  
**3-4L** Mauro Escribano-Anann, Nectaria Kinnas  
**5OC** Evie Neill  
**5-6B** Hui Yang  
**5-6HS** Bailey Hughes  
**5-6M** Hala Mansour  
**5-6R** Alara Muftuoglu  
**5-6S** Vera Bosancic  
**6OC** Sarah Conklin



# Education Week

Today's schools – creating tomorrow's world



To the Parents and Caregivers

We would like to invite families into Wollongong Public School for Education Week to help us celebrate the theme Today's Schools – Creating Tomorrow's World.

All classrooms will be open for guests from 12-1pm on Wednesday 8th August. Teachers will be showcasing their learning environment with a lesson based around future focused learning. We would like to invite you to stay for lunch afterwards with your child so please bring along a picnic rug and join us as we go to the grassed areas for a shared lunch from 1-1.30pm.





# Beginning School Well

## بداية المدرسة حسنا

### Wollongong Public School

نشاطات اللعب الشيق و الممتع للأطفال غير الناطقين باللغة الإنجليزية الذين تتراوح أعمارهم بين 3-5 سنوات وأولياء أمورهم .  
المكان: مركز المجتمع (Community Hub) في مدرسة Wollongong Public School و المسئولة عن مركز المجتمع التي تكون مدربه على التحدث باللغة العربية .  
سيتم تشغيل مجموعة اللعب من قبل معلمي Wollongong Public School و المسئولة عن مركز المجتمع التي تكون مدربه على التحدث باللغة العربية .

سيتم توفير شاي بعد الظهر.

## الدورات:

الاثنين 27 أغسطس في الساعة 2 بعد الظهر  
الاثنين 3 سبتمبر في الساعة 2 بعد الظهر  
الاثنين 10 سبتمبر في الساعة 2 بعد الظهر  
الاثنين 17 سبتمبر في الساعة 2 بعد الظهر  
الاثنين 24 سبتمبر في الساعة 2 بعد الظهر





# Beginning School Well Wollongong Public School

*Fun and exciting play activities for non-English speaking background children aged 3-5 years and their parents.*

*Where: Community Hub at Wollongong Public School*

*The playgroup will be run by Wollongong Public School teachers and our Community Hub Leader who is a trained Arabic speaking mentor.*

*Afternoon tea will be provided.*

## Sessions:

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> August at 2.00pm

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September at 2.00pm

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> September at 2.00pm

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> September at 2.00pm

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> September at 2.00pm





# Book Week 2018

## Find Your Treasure

Book Week this year runs from 20<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> August



### Book Parade

On **Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> August** our school will be holding a book parade. Children and teachers can dress as their favourite book characters for the day and we will have a parade to celebrate books and reading after Lunch. Parents, carers and siblings are invited to come along after lunch to share in the fun.

For more information on Book Week visit the Children's Book Council of Australia website at <https://www.cbca.org.au/cbca-book-week>

### Stig Wemyss Visit

On Friday 24<sup>th</sup> August Stig Wemyss will be visiting our school to perform for our year 3 – 6 students. Stig Wemyss is Australia's most loved narrator of audio books for children and young adults. His performances have become notorious with children and adults alike. His shows are wildly entertaining, cleverly irreverent and chocked full of fun.

For an example of Stig's performance see <http://www.stig.com.au>  
There will be no charge for the performance



### A new road rule applies from 1 September

The NSW Government has introduced a new road rule requiring motorists to slow down to 40km/h when passing stationary emergency vehicles which are displaying red or blue flashing lights.

The 40km/h road rule provides extra protection for emergency workers and volunteers who respond to crashes, breakdowns and other incidents on our roads which can place them at risk.

The new rule will begin as a 12-month trial from 1 September 2018.

When you see blue or red flashing lights of emergency vehicles stopped on the road, start slowing down to 40km/h for everyone's safety.

For more information visit <http://roadsafety.transport.nsw.gov.au/campaigns/slow-down-for-emergency-vehicles/index.html>





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## ACF Mandarin School --- Mandarin Course

ACF Mandarin School is staffed by experienced and qualified teachers who have had decades of experience teaching Chinese in NSW.

Our school provides Mandarin language courses to students from Kindergarten to Year 10 levels. We use a very effective method of teaching by immersing the students in the Chinese culture. Our ultimate objective is to develop the students' ability, boost their confidence in learning and raise their interest in the new language, making sure they can apply what they have learned to daily, practical use.



Classes: From Kindergarten to Year 10, (4 terms in a year),

Course Fee: \$200.00/term, Special price: \$180, teaching Materials: \$30/whole Year

Time Table: Tuesday 3:15pm-5:15pm

Term	Period	Term	Period
1	06/02/2018 -- 10/04/2018	3	24/07/2018-- 25/09/2018
2	01/05/2018 -- 03/07/2018	4	16/10/2018-- 11/12/2018

Contact: Principal Ms. Sulian Tang 0404 839 398 Email: [suliant@hotmail.com](mailto:suliant@hotmail.com)

Tel: 02-9211 1803 Fax: 02-9211 9179

Enrolment: Phone, Fax, Email, or in person are all welcome

ACF Office Address: Level 5, 461/317-321 Castlereagh Street, Sydney NSW 2000

Location: School Library – Block D, 67A Church Street, Wollongong Public School

All students get together at School Library Block D at 3:00pm. The parents pick up your child/children at Library at 5:15pm.



Wollongong Public School is selling the Entertainment Books as a fundraiser.

It costs \$60 but has vouchers that can save you up to \$20,000.

This year it includes 'buy one get one free' at: Inflatable World, FlipOut, Grill'd, Hello Harry, Rashays, McDonald's, San Churro, Soul Origin and Schnitz to name a few (most other vouchers are 25% off total bill) – you will get your \$60 back within 4 uses!

It also has vouchers for Symbio, Hangdog, Shoalhaven Zoo, Illawarra Fly, Taronga Zoo, Luna Park, Caveau, Harbourfront, Rookie, the list goes on and on... It can save you hundreds (even thousands) of dollars

**We highly recommend the digital version** - It is with you always, It has a 'near me' button which shows you on a map what vouchers can be used nearby, you can save 'favourites' for quick access, it has a search function, and it constantly updates with new vouchers (and notifies you of them).

To digitally access a 'flick book' and browse all vouchers available this year, go to <http://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/about/flickbook/wollongong>

### To buy:

**Step 1:** Go to [www.entbook.com.au/2803w94](http://www.entbook.com.au/2803w94)

**Step 2:** select the digital version (for Wollongong/South Coast - or Sydney etc - you can buy for a friend/family member as a gift too)

**Step 3:** When it asks 'childs name' and 'childs class' put 'friend' in each field (that's only for my info so i know who is buying the book)

**Step 4:** Once you have completed the purchase you will receive an email in your nominated email account.

If you **bought it for yourself** then scroll down in the email and click on 'Register' on that email and follow the prompts (this is where you create a password)

If you **buy it as a gift for someone**, send the email to them and get them to click 'Register' on the email and follow the prompts (creating a password etc)

**Step 5:** Install the 'Entertainment Book' App on your phone, log into the app using the details you obtained from Step 4.

**Step 6:** Start saving!!!

**If you want a physical 'book'** you can still buy online as per above link and organise delivery or pick up – there are some available now in the school office.

Please share the link with your friends and family so they can save money too!

Thank you, from the Wollongong Public School P&C.

### Feedback from an Entertainment Book member

*Hi, I just wanted to share with you that I have already made my money back in savings after I bought the entertainment book.*

*My family and I enjoyed going out to lunch on the weekend and received 25% of the total bill (there was 5 of us at lunch so the 25% was a great saving)*

*Then we had wine tasting and decided to buy some very yummy wines and also saved 25% when we purchased wines. We also dined at the Jamberoo Pub and received one meal free – so lots of savings in one weekend.*

*Having bought the book has also given me the opportunity to try new places that I did not know existed and I look forward to trying them out – and of course receiving my discounts.*

*Thank you for introducing me to the entertainment book – I am loving it!*

# BEANIE KIDS SALE

**WE ARE HAVING A BEANIE KIDS SALE, MOST OF THEM ARE BRAND NEW!**

We are selling them for \$5 each, the money will go toward the need of our refugee and disadvantaged students at our school.

**When: Every Thursday morning 8.30 -9.00 & 1.30-2.00 until they all gone**

**Where: Community Hub Wollongong Public School**

If you have any questions, please contact me on **0439898092**

Kind Regards

Evoon Yacoub

Community Hub Leader

Wollongong Public School



# Volunteer!

**WE NEED YOU. YES YOU.**

**GET INVOLVED**

**TWO HOURS MAKE A DIFFERENCE!**

**We need your help, teaching our Mums English at Wollongong Public School Community Hub or help with childminding during the English class.**

**Every Friday during school term from 9.30-11.30**

**If you have the skills and willing to help, please contact me on 0439898092**

**Thank you for supporting our Community Hub at Wollongong Public School**

Evoon Yacoub,

Community Hub Leader

Wollongong Public School





## Second Hand School Uniform

We have many items of school uniform available.

**We are now open**

Where: Community Hub- Wollongong Public School

When: Every **Thursday 8.30-9.00AM** & **1.30-2.00PM**



For any further information- contact

**Evoon Yacoub**  
Community Hub Leader on-  
0439 898 092

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أين: محور المجتمع - Wollongong  
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متى: كل يوم خميس 8.30-9.00 صباحا  
و 1.30-2.00 ظهرا



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