



WOLLONGONG PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Term 4, Week 1



Weekly message

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to our first newsletter for Term 4. This promises to be another busy and exciting term as we approach the end of another year of learning at Wollongong PS. Significant events this week include:

Teddy Bears Picnic

On Tuesday we held a Teddy Bears Picnic for all our 2020 Kindergarten students, and also some pre-schoolers from one of our Big Fat Smile feeder centres. This was the first of our Transition to School orientation sessions, and it was a great opportunity for the children and their parents to visit the school, meet some teachers and buddy students, make some new friends and play some games at "Big School"



Swimming School

Next week will see the commencement of our annual swimming scheme which gives students the opportunity to learn to swim or improve their swimming skills. Being so close to so many beaches, this is a very valuable opportunity which can quite literally provide lifesaving skills.

Tree Planting

Next Friday Year 6 will be planting their trees and shrubs that they are donating to the school. They are doing this early in the term to ensure that the plants are well established by the time we have our summer break.

Movie Night

Next Friday 25th October, in the evening our P&C are holding their next Movie Night, and they will be screening The Lego Movie. This has become a very popular family event, so please note the date so that you can join us with your children.

Building Update

As I predicted, we have seen some significant progress on our new learning building during the school holidays, and we now have the concrete slabs in position for both the ground floor and the first floor. I was lucky enough to tour the site on Wednesday so saw first-hand the complexity of the work being undertaken. External brickwork has already commenced on the rear wall, so you can start to visualise what the final building will look like.



Have a great weekend,
Kind regards,

Harold Cosier

Deputy Principal News

Welcome back to Term 4. I hope you and your family had a wonderful holiday break and are recharged for another busy term ahead. It was wonderful to see all the children's smiling faces as they arrived at school Monday and you could see them sharing their holiday adventures with excitement. I'd like to give a special welcome to all of the new families who have joined us this week and of course welcome back our existing families. We have lots of exciting learning opportunities and events planned this term and we look forward to your involvement.

Afternoon Pick Up Reminder

As a school we believe we must work together in partnership with families to support our school community. We develop systems and structures to ensure we operate as efficiently as possible, using staff and funding to meet the needs of students, teachers and the community.

There are many factors involved at Afternoon Pick Up and we have developed processes that enable a smooth operation. Although we acknowledge it is a challenge to enable more than 500 children to be collected safely each day, it is a time that we must focus on.

To achieve this successfully, **we provide supervision of students until 3:15 pm**. We also ensure all students waiting to be collected by family members line up within the school grounds until being collected. We request that parents or caregivers be punctual when collecting students to avoid worrying students and adding extra supervision duties to staff.

If you require supervision for your children after 3:15 pm, please approach Big Fat Smile for this service as we are unable to provide this for you.

When collecting your children by car, it assists us greatly if you can display your name **boldly**, enabling us to request students over the microphone. Also, please stay in your car at all times as the council parking rangers visit us regularly to support our school operations, helping us to keep the children safe.

We appreciate your support as we continue our journey in providing the best possible school environment for our community.

Parent Feedback

Please feel free to contact me if you have any celebrations, concerns or would like to discuss aspects of our school. To arrange an appointment you can email me at matt.richards5@det.nsw.edu.au or contact the school office on 42289120.

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend. Wishing you many happy moments in the week ahead.

Kind regards,
Matt Richards



FROM THE ADMIN DESK

For all school payments you are encouraged to use the Online Payment system on the School website or the EFTPOS facilities which are now available in the school office.

Instructional Leader Update by Mrs Neaves and Mrs Critoph

Firstly, we would like to welcome everyone back to school for the beginning of Term 4. It has been absolutely wonderful to see that the children are happily engaging in the fun and challenging lessons that teachers have been busily organising.

Mrs Neaves and Mrs Critoph would like to celebrate the achievements of our K-2 Literacy and Numeracy learners. Each week we will continue contributing to the Wollongong Public School newsletter by sharing some of the wonderful learning that our students are engaging in and also celebrating the achievements of teachers.

The School Excellence Framework is a document that is used by NSW public schools to assess their practices and to inform planning. This week the K-2 staff identified that at Wollongong Public School we are assessed at 'Excelling' for consistent assessment practices to monitor, plan and report on student learning across the curriculum. This is the highest level of achievement on the framework and a result of teams of teachers regularly engaging in moderating student work samples in shared marking sessions. This term the children in Stage 1 will be concentrating on persuasive writing while the Kindergarten children will be consolidating imaginative and informative writing and being exposed to persuasive writing.

Please be reminded that all K-2 children will continue bringing home their reading books on a daily basis. It is very important for the children to read this book at home each day and return this book to school the following morning to support their reading success.



~ October 2019 ~						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
13	14 First day of TERM 4	15 Kindy Orientation Teddy Bears Picnic 11.30am	16	17	18	19
20	21 Swim School	22 Swim School Kindy Orientation School Tour and Classroom Session 9.30am	23 Swim School Peacekeeper Mufti Day & Lolly Guessing Competition	24 Swim School	25 Swim School P&C Movie Night	26
27	28 Swim School	29 Swim School Kindy Orientation Parent Information and Classroom Session 9.30am	30 Swim School Peacekeeper Bake Sale	31 Swim School		
~ November 2019 ~						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Swim School	2
3	4	5 Kindy Orientation Parent as Learners and Classroom Session 9.30am	6 Peacekeeper Lunchtime Disco	7	8 P&C Trivia Night	9

What's Due:

Interrelate Program Year 5 & 6 - Payment and Permission note due by Wednesday 23rd October

Early Start Discovery Space Excursion – Payment and Permission note due by Wednesday 6th November

Positive Behaviour for Learning at WPS!

PBL Reward Day

On the last day of term 3, we had our PBL reward day following a great effort by all students in earning 5000 puggles for their school. All students participated in a range of fun games and activities. Everyone had a wonderful time and all students are to be congratulated on their excellent behaviour last term and for displaying our school values! Keep it up WPS!

What is PBL?

PBL stands for Positive Behaviour for Learning. It is a whole school approach for promoting positive behaviour within our school. PBL is about teaching the desired behaviours to students and showing them how they can be successful, allowing for a safe and supportive learning environment.



What are our school values?

Our school values are the expectations the school and community of WPS believe are required to create a positive learning environment. The 3 school values are: **Respect**, **Responsibility** and **Safety**. All areas around the school have the school values and expectations displayed on signs to support students in making positive choices on the playground and in classrooms.

PBL Lessons

Each week, teachers engage students in PBL lessons which reinforce the three school values and expectations within different areas of the school. Our teaching focus for this week involved reviewing school expectations in all areas. We appreciate your support in discussing these expectations with your child at home.

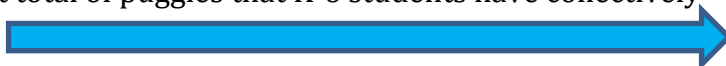
Wollongong Public School		
ALL AREAS		
RESPECT	RESPONSIBILITY	SAFETY
Use manners Look after our school environment Follow teacher directions	Take ownership of actions Help others	Be in the right place at the right time Keep your hands and feet to yourself Report incidents to the teacher

FAST AND FREQUENT PUGGLE



Last term, WPS launched the 'fast and frequent' whole school reward system. This system aims to recognise and encourage positive and appropriate behaviours in all areas at school. A fast and frequent puggle is a small token which all K-6 students can receive when they display the three school values on the playground and in the classroom. All K-6 students were set a target of 5000 puggles to achieve a whole school reward, which is decided by the SRC (Student Representative Council).

The new current total of puggles that K-6 students have collectively received are:



Congratulations WPS on this outstanding effort! Keep displaying our PBL values!



Attention families of Year 5 students:

Intention to apply for Year 7 entry to a selective high school in 2021

Selective high schools cater for academically high potential and gifted students who may otherwise be without sufficient classmates of their own academic standard. Selective schools help these students to learn by grouping them with students of similar ability, using specialised teaching methods and materials.

Selective high schools are unzoned so parents can apply regardless of where they live. Applications for selective high school placement are considered mainly on the basis of the Selective High School Placement Test results and school assessment scores. The Selective High School Placement Test will be held on **Thursday 12 March 2020**.

If you would like to have your child considered for Year 7 selective high school entry in 2021, you need to apply on the internet using a valid email address (not the student's email address).

Detailed instructions on how to apply online will be available from late-September 2019 at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>.

The application website opens at that link on 8 October 2019 and closes at 10pm on 11 November 2019. You must apply before the closing date.

There are no paper application forms. If you do not have internet access, you could apply at a public library. If you have a disability that prevents you from using a computer, you can contact the Unit for assistance after 8 October 2019. You must submit only ONE application for each student.

If you have any questions please contact Miss Brooke Aham, Stage 3 Assistant Principal.

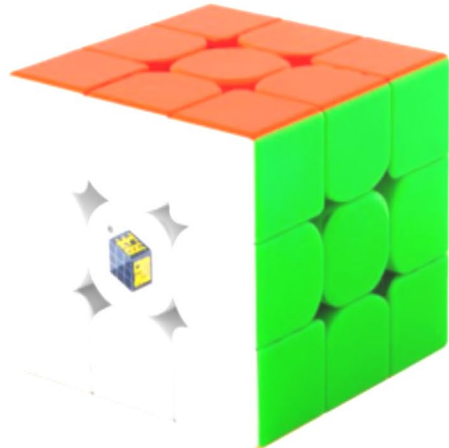


Rubik's Cube

Informal Meet-Up

1:00pm - 4:00pm,

Saturday 9th November



Wollongong Public School Library

Open to Year 5, Year 6 and upwards (including adult enthusiasts).
Parents are responsible for supervision of minors.

Bring your own cubes, plus spares
(if you're prepared to share).



Please RSVP the organiser,
Ms J. Stephenson -
(GAT Coordinator / Year 6 Opportunity Class Teacher)

jacqueline.stephenson@det.nsw.edu.au

If expected numbers are large, we will move the event to the school hall.



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LEGO MOVIE 2

\$10
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KIDS UNDER 4 - FREE
4TH+ CHILD HALF PRICE

FRIDAY 25 OCTOBER

5.30 BBQ AND DOORS OPEN

6PM MOVIE STARTS

HALAL BBQ | SNACK STAND | FREE POPCORN

**ALL CHILDREN MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN
ADULT PARENT/GUARDIAN AT ALL TIMES**

**EFT HOPEFULLY AVAILABLE
BRING SOMETHING TO SIT ON**

YEAR 5 GIRLS & BOYS

TRY YEAR 7 FOR A DAY

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for a real
experience
of high
school



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for the girls

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www.stmarys.nsw.edu.au



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for the boys

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www.edmundricecollege.nsw.edu.au



Thursday 7 & Friday 8 November 2019

 **Visit our websites and register online now**



BIG BOOK FAIR

Family Day Saturday October 19 from 12pm – 5pm

Reading is not only great for your education, it is also valuable for your wellbeing and helps children build relationships with those they read with.

To encourage as much reading as possible, we would like to offer you 20% off our purchase when you visit the Book Fair between 12pm and 5pm on Saturday October 19 2019. WOW!

Write the name of your school here.

Illawarra Sports Stadium, Hooka Creek Road, Berkeley.

Entry by gold coin donation and eftpos is available.

For more information, visit www.lifelinesouthcoast.org.au/events

Voucher **MUST** be presented at the event to receive the discount.

Voucher only valid between 12pm and 5pm Saturday October 19, 2019.



EXPO NIGHT

Monday 21 October 3:30pm - 5:30pm

**Come along and see the school, samples of work
and a variety of activities across the faculties.**

Open for all interested primary students and their families

Smith's Hill High School Expo is on Monday 21 October 2019. Expo is an opportunity for prospective students and their parents to see the school, samples of work and a variety of activities across the faculties.

Please forward this invitation to any family members or friends with children who would like to become a future member of the Smith's Hill High School community.

Our Expo commences at 3:30pm in the school's Multi-purpose Unit (MPU) with a welcome address by the Principal. Following this, you will be able to choose your own pathway around the school. Smith's Hill High School SRC and PR Teams will guide visitors to the various displays and activities until 5:30pm.

You will receive a detailed program of events and a map of the school as you enter the MPU, which is situated on the western side of the school next to the courts in Keira Street. To allow you to see a good proportion of the school, displays, exhibitions, demonstrations and performances will occur in a number of venues throughout the evening.

We look forward to seeing you at the EXPO evening. For enquiries, please contact the school on 02 4229 4266 during school hours (8:30am – 3:30pm).

THE LORD MAYOR'S

Picnic in the park

**FOR 2020 SCHOOL
STARTERS AND
THEIR FAMILIES!**

FREE entertainment and giveaways
for all 2020 school starters.
Join in the fun while finding out
more about starting school!

**Sunday 3 November, 10am-12pm
@ MacCabe Park (southern end)
Cnr Church & Ellen Sts, Wollongong**

www.transitiontoschool.com.au

For more information or to RSVP contact:

Emma Montalti on 4283 9943, or
transitiontoschool@bigfatmile.com.au

Tracey Kirk-Downey on 4227 7158, or
tkirk-downey@wollongong.nsw.gov.au



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SMS 'HOST' TO 0428 246 633



**WEP IS LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEER HOST FAMILIES
TO HOST EXCHANGE STUDENTS FROM COUNTRIES
INCLUDING ITALY, FRANCE AND BELGIUM, ARRIVING
IN AUSTRALIA IN JULY 2020!**

**IF YOU HAVE AN INTEREST IN OTHER CULTURES,
WE WOULD LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU! REMEMBER,
SOMETIMES THE GREATEST REWARDS IN LIFE
COME FROM DOING THINGS YOU NEVER THOUGHT
YOU WOULD!**

**CONTACT WEP ON 1300 884 733 FOR MORE
INFORMATION OR EMAIL INFO@WEP.ORG.AU.**

LAURA from Italy

Ciao from Italy!

I am able to see the good in anything and anyone and I perceive every life event as a lesson. I love spending time outdoors, swimming, walking, participating in team sports, taking photos and meeting with my friends.

My family is relatively small, but we are very close; I respect and admire my parents.

I can't wait to meet my Australian family!

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Made Fresh Canteen Menu



BREAKFAST ONLY (Sold at counter only)

Oven Baked Hash Brown	\$1.00
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BREAKFAST, RECESS & LUNCH (Sold at counter only)

Plain Milk Cup	\$1.00
Hot Chocolate Cup	\$1.50
Light Chocolate Milk Cup	\$1.50
Light Strawberry Milk Cup	\$1.50
Light Banana Milk Cup	\$1.50
Toasted Cheese Sub	\$1.50
Toasted Cheese & Lean Ham Sub	\$2.00
Corn Flakes Bowl	\$2.50
Pancakes x2 with Honey	\$2.50



SANDWICHES (White or Wholemeal Bread)

Vegemite	\$1.50
Jam	\$1.50
Honey	\$1.50
Cheese	\$2.00
Lean Ham	\$2.50
Cheese & Tomato	\$3.00
Lean Ham & Cheese	\$3.50
Lean Ham, Cheese & Tomato	\$4.00
Salad (Lettuce, Tomato, Carrot, Cucumber)	\$4.00
Tuna, Lettuce & Mayo	\$4.00
Fresh Chicken with Cheese	\$4.00
Fresh Chicken, Lettuce & Mayo	\$4.50
Fresh Chicken & Salad	\$4.50
Lean Ham & Salad	\$4.50



WRAPS & ROLLS (Tortilla or Lebanese Bread)

Cheese & Tomato	\$3.50
Lean Ham & Cheese	\$4.00
Lean Ham, Cheese & Tomato	\$4.50
Salad (Lettuce, Tomato, Carrot, Cucumber)	\$4.50
Tuna, Lettuce & Mayo	\$4.50
Fresh Chicken with Cheese	\$4.50
Fresh Chicken Lettuce & Mayo	\$4.50



VEGGIE & OTHER SNACK PACKS

Fresh Cut Veggie Cup	\$1.50
Veggie Snack Pack Dome with Carrot, Celery, Corn, Tomatoes & Bread Sticks	\$4.00
Veggie Snack Pack Dome with Cheese Cubes & Bread Sticks	\$4.50
Veggie Snack Pack Dome with Fresh Chicken Breast & Bread Sticks	\$5.00

SALADS (All Salads served in 12oz Dome)

Garden Salad	\$4.00
Tuna Salad	\$4.50
Cheese Salad	\$4.50
Lean Ham Salad	\$4.50
Fresh Chicken Breast Salad	\$4.50
Fresh Chicken Breast Pasta Salad	\$5.00
Fresh Chicken Caesar Salad with Lean Ham	\$5.00



FRESH FRUIT & YOGHURT

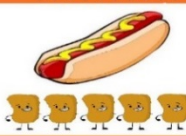
Diced Pineapple Small Cup	\$1.00
Oranges, Apples, Mandarins	\$1.00
Banana	\$1.50
Fresh Watermelon Cup	\$2.00
Fresh Diced Fruit Cup	\$2.00
Vanilla Yoghurt	\$2.00
Yoghurt with Muesli Cup	\$2.50
Yoghurt with Fruit Cup	\$3.00
Seasonal Fresh Fruit Salad Bowl (12oz)	\$4.00



OCCASIONAL FOOD & SNACKS

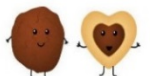
HOT FOOD

Potato Wedges Cup	\$3.00
Noodles Cup	\$3.50
Chicken Hot Dog (one free sauce)	\$3.50
Beef Hot Dog (one free sauce)	\$3.50
Chicken Nuggets (5 pieces)	\$3.50
Sausage Roll (one free sauce)	\$4.50
Meat Pie (one free sauce)	\$4.50



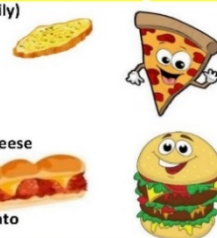
SNACKS & OTHER TREATS

Homemade Cookies x1	0.50c
Gummy Bear x3	\$1.00
Homemade Muffins (freshly made daily)	\$1.50
Chicken & Corn Roll	\$1.50
Plain Ice Cream Vanilla	\$2.00
Red Rock Deli Chips 28g (2 Flavours)	\$2.50



HOT FOOD

Garlic & Herb Toasty (freshly made daily)	\$1.50
Pizza Cheese Sub (served on roll)	\$2.50
Mexican Quesadilla	\$3.00
Stuffed Vine Leaves with Rice x5	\$3.00
Meatball Sub with Napoletana Sauce	\$4.50
Grilled Chicken Souvlaki on a Roll	\$4.50
Homemade Pizza with Cheese	\$5.00
Homemade Pizza with Lean Ham & Cheese	\$5.50
Homemade Hawaiian Pizza	\$5.50
Lasagne	\$5.50
Cheese burger (lean beef)	\$5.50
Aussie Lean Beef Burger Lettuce/Tomato	\$5.50
Fresh Grilled Chicken Fillet Burger	\$5.50



SUSHI (available every Tuesday-pre order by Friday)

Teriyaki Chicken with Cucumber	\$4.50
Teriyaki Beef with Cucumber	\$4.50
Veggie Tofu, Carrot, Cucumber VEGAN	\$4.50
Tuna with Cucumber	\$4.50



DAILY HOMEMADE MENU

Monday	Pasta Carbonara with Lean Ham	\$4.50
Tuesday	Mac & Cheese Pasta	\$4.50
Wednesday	Hokkien Noodles Chicken	\$4.50
Thursday	Pasta with Meatballs	\$4.50
Friday	Pasta Bolognaise	\$4.50



DAZZLING MEAL DEALS...

If you buy a meal combo you would save up to \$1.00

PACK 1: CHEESE SANDWICH	
Water 400ml + Popcorn or Frozen Juice Stick	\$3.50
PACK 2: STUFFED VINE LEAVES with RICE x5	
Water 400ml + Popcorn or Frozen Juice Stick	\$4.50
PACK 3: MEATBALLS SUB	
Water 400ml + Popcorn or Frozen Juice Stick	\$6.00
PACK 4: PASTA with MEATBALLS	
Water 400ml + Popcorn or Frozen Juice Stick	\$6.00
PACK 5: PASTA BOLOGNAISE	
Water 400ml + Popcorn or Frozen Juice Stick	\$6.00
PACK 6: FRESH CHICKEN & CHEESE ROLL	
Water 400ml + Popcorn or Frozen Juice Stick	\$6.50
PACK 7: FRESH CHICKEN SALAD SANDWICH	
Water 400ml + Popcorn or Frozen Juice Stick	\$6.50

CRUNCH N SIP PACKS

Piece of Fruit & Water 400ml	\$2.50
Diced Fruit Cup & Water 400ml	\$3.00



SNACKS & FROZEN TREATS

Frozen 99% Juice Cup Small (3 Flavours)	0.50c
Plain or Frozen 99% Juice-Jelly Cup Small (3 Flavours)	0.50c
Frozen Diced Pineapple Small Cup	\$1.00
Frozen 99% Juice Cup (3 Flavours)	\$1.00
Frozen 99% Quelch Fruit Juice Sticks (4 Flavours)	\$1.00
Popcorn	\$1.00
Bread Sticks x4	\$1.00
Custard Cup	\$1.00
Frozen Plain Milk Cup	\$1.00
Plain or Frozen 99% Juice-Jelly Cup (3 Flavours)	\$1.00
Frozen Chocolate Milk Cup	\$1.00
Frozen Strawberry Milk Cup	\$1.00
Frozen Banana Milk Cup	\$1.00
Frozen Watermelon Cup	\$2.00
Frozen Grapes Cup (seasonal)	\$2.00
Frozen 99% Nippy's Juice Cup (3 Flavours)	\$2.00
Messy Monkeys Snack (Chicken, Cheese, Pizza)	\$2.50



WATER - MILK & JUICES

Water 400ml	\$1.50
Water 600ml	\$2.00
Popper 100% juice (3 Flavours)	\$2.50
Milk 300ml (plain)	\$2.50
Light Milk 300ml (3 Flavours)	\$3.00



As required by the NSW government all menu items sold each day, are to be listed as Everyday or Occasional food to allow parents and caregivers informed choices.

The NSW state government states menu items are required to be 75% everyday and 25% occasional.

Made Fresh is proud that we have exceeded this requirement. We have kept our prices reasonable even after an increase to the levy for the "container scheme fee". Our suppliers have also increased their prices on eligible/quality goods under the new "star system".

Your child's healthy eating is paramount to our business. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Occasional



Everyday