



WOLLONGONG PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Term 4, Week 5



Weekly message

Dear Parents,

We are now half way through Term 4 – how the year has flown! My apologies for last week as I needed to take some unexpected leave, so unfortunately was unable to complete last Friday's newsletter column or attend our Trivia Night. Significant events for this week and next are:

Internet Upgrade

On Monday our school is having a major upgrade to our internet, and we have been advised that **we will have no internet connectivity between 1.00pm and 4.00pm**, so we will be off-line for that period. Given that our phone system is now digital, we are unsure if the phones will be affected, so we are warning you in case this does happen.

Building Update

This week we had a full team meeting between our Department, the consultancy team and the builders to review the layout of every room in our new learning building. We looked at the layout of all fixed joinery, the location of interactive whiteboards, power and data terminals as well as finalising the furniture requests. It was a mammoth meeting as we looked at nearly 30 rooms individually, but was well worth it as we are confident that our new learning spaces will not only look spectacular, but will also operate very effectively. We then had a tour of the site which is now rapidly taking shape, with the roof framework going up and the stairs poured yesterday.

P&C Trivia Night

I understand the Trivia Night was a great success with over \$4000 raised for our school. Thanks to all who participated and a special thank you to Stacey and the team for organising this event. I would also

like to thank the anonymous donor from our school community who gave a donation of \$1000 and also our builders, Hansen and Yuncken for their donation of \$500.

Science Award

At the STANSW Young Scientist Presentation night on Friday, 1st of November at the UOW, Ronin Naumovski, from class 5L, received the "Most Promising Award" in the K-6 category. This award was one of only three presented on the night. Ronin competed against hundreds of students across NSW to earn this award. His science project investigated the properties of static electricity. Congratulations, Ronin!

Local History Primary School Prize

This year the 'Local History Prize' competition was extended to Primary School students for the first time. Primary schools from all over the Illawarra were invited to submit entries looking at our local history. The presentation was at Wollongong City Library on Wednesday night, and all judges were impressed with the high level of submissions. Roopam, Scott and Evie were awarded with Highly Commended awards, and Archie was announced as one of five winners, earning a \$200 prize for our school. A report also follows in the newsletter further on.



Have a great weekend,
Kind regards,

Harold Cosier

Deputy Principal News

Effective Feedback

The research is clear: improving feedback practices can significantly improve student learning and the quality of teaching in classrooms. Effective feedback practices provide the bridge between assessment and learning. High quality feedback can improve student learning, providing enhanced growth in student achievement across the year.

Teaching, learning and assessment activities provide opportunities for teachers to gather evidence about students' progress. This informs teacher feedback that is provided to students about their learning and what they need to do next to move forward. The evidence also provides feedback to teachers, allowing them to evaluate and, if necessary, adapt or change strategies to ensure they are meeting the learning needs of their students.

Historically, feedback was mainly issued in written forms in student work books. Over time and through many research projects, our approach to feedback has progressed. We now understand so much more about the benefits and different principles behind feedback, so as a school we have chosen this as a major goal for 2020. Currently at Wollongong Public School, effective feedback takes on many different forms from the list below. You will notice that many forms are verbal as the feedback is immediate, responsive and able to be actioned. Our goal is to identify what has the biggest impact on student learning and focus our attention on this with practices that inform teachers and students, about future directions:

- oral feedback from the teacher, student and their peers, such as collaborative activities and conferencing

- written feedback from the teacher and/or peers, based on the criteria for assessing learning
- whole-class discussions to clarify the task during the activity
- whole-class or individual student comments about aspects of the activity where students performed well, and how to improve
- peer and self-assessments and self-reflections
- checklists, criteria sheets, comments or grades
- ongoing oral or written comments, including questioning students' understanding
- cues, reinforcements or prompts to redirect learning
- drafts and resubmissions
- peer collaborations using online tools
- written, audio or digital annotations
- discussion of a range of student work samples

We have begun making adjustments to our practice already and your child's Semester 2 report will reflect this. More information regarding reports will be provided in the coming weeks. We look forward to this 2020 challenge and will be looking for your input to support all children as they progress on their learning journey.

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 4228 9120.

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

Kind regards,
Matt Richards

Library News

e-Books

Did you know Wollongong Public School Library has e-books for you to download straight to your device anytime?

To take advantage of this exciting resource simply go to <https://wollongongps.wheelers.co>
Browse the books available then follow the prompts to download the ePlatform App.

To download books you will have to sign in using your school username and password.

Mr McQueen is happy to help anyone getting started, just go to the library and ask.

Students will be getting trained on using the ePlatform in the coming days.

Instructional Leader Update by Mrs Neaves and Mrs Critoph

Data Talks

This week the teachers in Early Stage 1 and Stage 1 have been very busy working with Mrs Neaves and Mrs Critoph to look at student literacy and numeracy data and planning. During this session teachers were able to celebrate the growth of their students by reviewing updated progressions data for writing and numeracy. Teachers were then given the opportunity to revisit their data and select new indicators to focus on during the final weeks of this term. This new and authentic way of looking at class data continues to drive individual teaching practice and also the collaborative planning that is happening with stage teams of teachers.



Formative and Summative Assessment and the School Excellence Framework

The School Excellence Framework is a document that is used by NSW public schools to assess their practices and to inform planning. During our data talks this week the K-2 staff used the framework to assess where our current practices are for both formative and summative assessment. Through this process it was identified that K-2 staff are 'sustaining and growing' both formative and summative assessment practices and are also 'excelling' in some areas of integrating this into teaching practices. Mrs Neaves and Mrs Critoph would like to congratulate teachers for all of their hard work and for achieving amazing results with assessment practices.

~ November 2019 ~						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
10	11 Interrelate Year 5 Session 3	12 Interrelate Year 6 Session 3	13	14	15 Early Start Discovery Space Excursion Kindergarten STEM Comp	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25 UOW Debating Day	26 Year 5 OC Orientation Day	27	28	29	30
~ December 2019 ~						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3 Surf Awareness Beach Day Yr 5	4 Surf Awareness Beach Day Yr 6	5 Scripture Assembly SHHS Drama Performance K-6	6 Beauty & The Beast K-4	7
8	9	10	11 Yr 6 Farewell	12	13 School Excellence Assembly	14
15	16	17	18 Yr6 Graduation Ceremony	19	20	21

What's Due:

Beauty and The Beast Pantomime Excursion for K-4 – Payment and Permission note due by Friday 15th November

Surf Education Australia Beach Excursion Year 5 & 6 – Payment and Permission note due by Tuesday 19th November

SHHS Drama Performance K-6 Students – Payment and Permission note due by Monday 2nd December

Positive Behaviour for Learning at 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. Our teaching focus for this week was **transitions**. We appreciate your support with discussing these expectations with your child at home.



Wollongong Public School		
Transitions		
RESPECT	RESPONSIBILITY	SAFETY
Quietly move around the school	Be on time	Walk
Knock and wait at the door when delivering messages	Return to class promptly	Keep to the left on stairs and in hallways
Wait for teacher instructions before entering classrooms	Have your equipment ready to learn	Walk in lines
		Keep hallways tidy

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:



3373
puggles

Congratulations WPS on this outstanding effort!



Keep it up WPS!



UNIFORM SHOP

School Uniform ordering is moving from online purchasing to being available in the uniform shop.

Opening hours are Thursday's from 3pm – 3.30pm and Fridays from 8am – 8.30am

The uniform shop is located on the top floor of A Block Eastern end.

School Hats can also be purchased from the Administration Office. Cost is \$13.

Please ensure you have the correct money as no change is available from the office.



WOLLONGONG PUBLIC SCHOOL UNIFORM PRICE LIST 2019

Item	Price per item	Sizes
Shorts	\$15.00	4 6 8 10 12 14 16
Skort	\$18.50	4 6 8 10 12 14 16
Trackpants	\$25.00	4 6 8 10 12 14 16
Polo Shirt Short Sleeve	\$23.00	4 6 8 10 12 14 16
Jacket	\$40.00	4 6 8 10 12 14 16
Jumper	\$21.00	4 6 8 10 12 14 16
Sports Shirt	\$25.00	6 8 10 12 14 16
Summer Dress STOCK ARRIVING SOON		
Bucket Hat	\$13.00	S/M M/L L/XL
*PRICES SUBJECT TO CHANGE		

Local Library History Prize



Students in 6S each completed a piece of writing to submit to the inaugural Wollongong City Council Local Library History Competition in September. The criteria involved students researching the history of an area of personal interest. There were many fabulous entries, highlighting areas of personal connection, including Flagstaff Lighthouse, Kiama Blowhole, Wombarra Cemetery and Win Stadium.

Five (5) students from various Illawarra primary schools were awarded with \$200 personally, as well as receiving an additional \$200 to donate to their school library. Archie was a successful recipient and has nominated books that he would like to see added to our school library collection.

Thank you Archie. Congratulations and well done!

Thank you Miss Axam for attending the awards ceremony.

Ms Stephenson
Year 6 Opportunity Class Teacher



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Wollongong Public School Xmas Raffle



Dear parents / carers,

It is that time of year again when we start planning for Xmas and the holidays. At Wollongong Public School we are running a Xmas raffle to raise funds for more seating in the shade and more native plants for our gardens.

We are asking 2 things: firstly are you able to donate something for our Xmas hampers? We hope to put together 10 hampers as prizes. Secondly, your child will bring home a book of 10 raffle tickets which we would like you to either buy or sell. The tickets are only \$1 each and all the money goes towards making our school environment a more attractive place.



Thank you in advance for your continued support of our school. All donations of Xmas food, Xmas plates, decorations and small Xmas gifts will be much appreciated. There will be a box in the office for you to place them in. The tickets will go home in Week 4 and the raffle will be drawn on Friday 6th December.

Harold Cosier
School Principal



Melinda Boreland
Organising Teacher



A festive poster for the City of Wollongong Giving Tree Appeal 2019. The background is a dark blue gradient with a string of colorful Christmas lights (red, yellow, green) at the top. The title 'City of Wollongong Giving Tree Appeal' is written in a white, elegant cursive font. Below the title is a yellow star with the year '2019' inside. To the left is a large green Christmas tree decorated with colorful lights, a wreath, a gear, a gift box, and a string of lights. At the base of the tree are several wrapped gifts in red, yellow, and green. On the right side, there is a section titled 'Make a difference to a young child's Christmas!' followed by a paragraph of text, a list of locations where gifts can be received, and logos for partner organizations at the bottom.

City of Wollongong Giving Tree Appeal

2019

Make a difference to a young child's Christmas!

City of Wollongong Giving Tree and Bikers Toy Run support two Wollongong charities, St Vincent de Paul Society and Anglicare. The Giving Tree Appeal plays an essential part in helping make Christmas a special day for all children.

**Unwrapped gifts or gift cards for children
0-16 years can be received until 17 December at:**

- ★ Wollongong Central Customer Service Centre Desk (*Level 1 Crown*)
- ★ Council's Customer Service Area and Council Libraries
- ★ The Central, UOW Innovation Campus
- ★ Figtree Grove and Warrawong Plaza Customer Service Centre Desks
- ★ iHub Visitors Information Centre
- ★ Port Kembla Golf Club
- ★ WAVE FM, Warrawong
- ★ Novotel Northbeach
- ★ Wests Illawarra

Event Contact: Wollongong City Council on 4227 7111 or wollongong.nsw.gov.au/christmas



★★ 30 YEAR CELEBRATION ★★

City of Wollongong Bikers Toy Run

Memorial Run
for
IVAN
ZGELA



**Saturday,
7 December 2019**
**Crown Street Mall,
Wollongong**
10.30am - 2pm

★ **Bike Expo Displays include:**
Just Cruisin' Motorcycle Tours
Australian Motorlife Museum
City Coast Motorcycles
NSW Police
and more...

★ **Free face painting**

★ **Best dressed bike**

★ **Best dressed rider**

★ **Free Jumping Castle**

★ **Motorbikes arrive at 11am**

★ **Live entertainment by The Record Breakers**

★ **30 Year Memorial Patch available on the day to purchase**

★ **Bring an unwrapped gift or gift card for children up to 16 years of age**

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Bikers Information Only

Departs: 10.30am sharp from The Shellharbour Club

Bike Contact: Jeff on 0404 490 191 or Mick on 0491 154 165 **Event Contact:** Wollongong City Council on 4227 7111





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)

Vegetemite	\$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	\$4.00
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	\$4.50
PACK 3:	Water 400ml + Popcorn or Frozen Juice Stick	\$4.50
PACK 4:	MEATBALLS SUB	\$6.00
PACK 5:	Water 400ml + Popcorn or Frozen Juice Stick	\$6.00
PACK 6:	PASTA with MEATBALLS	\$6.00
PACK 7:	Water 400ml + Popcorn or Frozen Juice Stick	\$6.00
PACK 8:	FRESH CHICKEN & CHEESE ROLL	\$6.50
PACK 9:	Water 400ml + Popcorn or Frozen Juice Stick	\$6.50
PACK 10:	FRESH CHICKEN SALAD SANDWICH	\$6.50
PACK 11:	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.

