



WOLLONGONG PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Term 2, Week 2



Weekly Message

Dear Parents,

Our school is currently a very busy place, with all of our students actively engaged in their studies, and a number of events and activities occurring.

Election Day Sausage Sizzle

As you would all be aware, there is a Federal election on Saturday May 18th, and for the first time in my memory, our school hall will be a polling booth. Naturally, we would like to take advantage of this so our P&C are running a sausage sizzle during the day. We are asking for volunteers to help out for half an hour or so throughout the day. This is an opportunity to meet some other parents and help our school at the same time. Christine, our P&C President, can be contacted by email at pc.wps@outlook.com if you can lend a hand.

District Cross Country

Yesterday our top distance runners competed in the District Cross Country competition at Kembla Grange. All of our students ran very well with Harmony R and Jack R both gaining 5th place in their events. Our congratulations to all our runners, and thanks to Miss McKechnie, Mrs Cuthbertson and Ms Stephenson who accompanied our athletes and acted as officials on the day.

Mothers' Day Stall

Today our P&C held their Mothers' Day stall with all students having an opportunity to buy a small gift for Mum for her special day this Sunday. Our thanks go to all the parents who helped out in wrapping, setting up and selling gifts for the stall.

Da Vinci Decathlon

On Wednesday, a number of students from 5L and 6S participated in the Da Vinci Decathlon, with the 5L team gaining a creditable 3rd place! A student report on the event appears later in our Newsletter. Well done all competitors!

Building Update

The Administration area in B Block has been a hive of activity this week, with teams of tradesmen installing walls, air conditioning, lighting and also removing the asphalt in readiness for the installation of a new access ramp and path. The builders have also offered to install a temporary asphalt path down to our hall to ensure safer access for our students and families as they attend school functions, and also for the upcoming elections. A huge thank you to Simon and Paul and their team for this generous contribution to our school.

NAPLAN

Next week our Year 3 and Year 5 students will be completing the NAPLAN testing. While this is just a snapshot of students' achievements on one day, it provides useful information for us when all of those results are analysed collectively. It pinpoints areas where we might need to focus our teaching, and informs our planning for this year and beyond.

P&C Meeting

Our next P&C meeting is on next Tuesday evening 14th May at 6.30pm in the staffroom, and all parents and friends are most welcome to attend. Our new Assistant Principal Miss Axam will be attending, so it is a great opportunity to welcome her to our school.

Feedback to Students/Marking of Books

When looking at your children's books, or having conversations with them about their learning, you may have wondered how we provide feedback to our students. Current research informs us that all feedback must be timely, specific and goal orientated. Therefore, you may notice not all activities receive written feedback as we often review and provide support verbally within each lesson. Students then have the opportunity to immediately implement feedback and adjust their learning based on their individual needs.

University of Wollongong Research Project

Later in this newsletter, you will see an offer for families to participate in a research project (Parent Child Conversations) run out of the University of Wollongong. It is looking at the impact of parent child interactions on children's learning, and particularly the social-emotional aspect of their learning. Given that we know how important well-being is to effective learning, this is interesting and worthwhile research. While it is not specifically to do with our school, I believe it is worth thinking about.

Homework Help

One of our ex-students, Isaac Bradbury, has organised a Free Homework Support group for ESL students in Years 4, 5 and 6 every Tuesday afternoon in the Wollongong City Library (See the flyer later in the newsletter). This is a great initiative and embodies all that we aspire to at Wollongong Public School, where we constantly encourage our students to support one another in their learning lives.

Have a happy and safe weekend,
Kind regards,

Harold Cosier

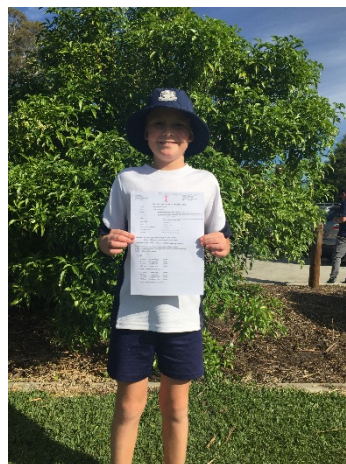
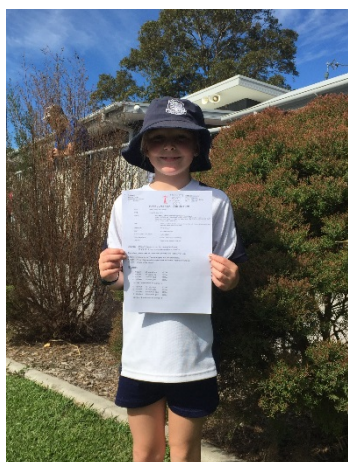
WPS Representatives at CWPSSA District Cross Country

Congratulations to the 48 students who represented WPS at the CWPSSA District Cross Country yesterday, 9th May. The students competed and tried their very best. Students who attended last year had the opportunity to compare their results against last year's times. Well done to those students competing for the first time, your efforts were outstanding!

Thank you to the family members who could attend at some stage or throughout the entire day to support and encourage your own children and their peers.

On the day, Harmony R in the 10 years race and Jack R in the 12/13 years race, both finished 5th. Harmony and Jack will now compete at the South Coast PSSA Regional Cross Country at Willandra Cross Country Course, Cambewarra on Friday 7th June. We wish both students *good luck!*

Sharon McKechnie
Sport Coordinator / K-6 Sport Teacher



Multicultural Public Speaking Competition

For 24 years now the Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Competition has been encouraging primary school students to explore ideas of multiculturalism in Australia, as well as giving them a place to practise their public speaking skills and improve their confidence.

In the first week of this term, Stage 2 and 3 held their stage-based competitions. Mrittika, Grace F and Lowena have won the Stage 2 competition. Mrittika and Grace will be representing our school at the next stage of competition. Our Stage 3 winners are Calista and Jazmine. Congratulations to all speakers! You have made your school very proud!

Learning Maths Kits – Help Needed

Wollongong Public School are organising 'Learning Maths Kits' for our class teachers in early stage one and stage one for our students to use in class. If you can help in anyway by laminating, cutting and putting the kits together, that would be greatly appreciated.

You can contact Evoon on 0439 898 092 for more information. All preparation will be done in the Hub.

When: Thursdays and Fridays of Weeks 4 & 5 (Term 2)

Thursdays the 23rd, 30th of May the Hub will be available from 9.00am – 2:30pm

Fridays 24th, 31st May from 12.00pm – 2:30pm

The da Vinci Decathlon

On Wednesday the 8th of May 2019 our da Vinci team, consisting of Charlie N, Ingrid S, Freya K, Tilly F, William Z, Alan D, Daniel R and William Y achieved first place in Engineering, second in Ideation, another second in Code-breaking and third place in English. Overall, we came third in the Year 5 da Vinci Decathlon competition.

When we were doing the code-breaking test, we were given scrambled words, sentences and codes to decipher. Although it was very difficult we succeeded, coming second out of eighteen teams.

In engineering, our task was to design and construct a scale. We produced a standard design using paper straws, thick paper and sticky tape. With a huge surprise, we accomplished first.

In ideation, we had to design something to solve the world problem of adults and kids alike not consuming enough nutritious fruits and vegetables. Our team's decision was to make an app that would control screen time according to how many vegetables you would eat daily. To our surprise, we achieved second place!

Our English paper consisted of a short spelling test, a poetry section, a short writing task and several tricky comprehension questions. With very few minutes left we placed third.

We would like to thank all the teachers (especially Ms Stephenson and Mrs Lewis) who encouraged us, prepared us, and worked behind the scenes to give us a really fun experience at the da Vinci decathlon.

FLARE FOOTBALL
TERM PROGRAM
29 APRIL - 5 JULY (TERM 2)
FORMERLY REFERRED TO AS THE FSC ACADEMY





ALBION PARK
Terry Reserve
Thursday

BALGOWNIE
Judy Masters Oval
Monday

WOONONA
Woonona HS
Wednesday

KEMBLA GRANGE
Ian McLennan Park
Wednesday
(GOALKEEPING)

REGISTER NOW
www.footballsouthcoast.com
0242 856929

If your child is in grade 4 to 6, you may have received some information about participating in the 'TALK' study at UOW Early Start. The research would require you to meet with researchers, who are interested in parent-child conversations and social-emotional learning. The session would consist of your child doing some tasks with the researcher, a questionnaire form, and then having a few 'everyday' conversations about a time your child felt a little bit worried, and a time they were happy or excited. At the end of the session, you would receive a \$20 gift voucher and a small gift for your child as a thank you for your participation.



The flyer is titled "University Research Participants Needed!" and "Parent Child Conversations". It features a yellow starburst graphic with "\$20 Voucher" and an illustration of two children talking. The text describes the research session and the rewards for participation.

\$20 Voucher

University Research Participants Needed!

Parent Child Conversations

Is your child aged 8 to 12 years old? We are looking for parent + child pairs to come in to help with our research.


Our research involves a 90 minute session doing some activities and having every day conversations between parent and child. You will be reimbursed with a \$20 Gift Voucher for your time, and a small gift for your child.

Please call Amy or Sophie on 4221 5334
or email us at sophier@uow.edu or abird@uow.edu.au.

 UNIVERSITY OF WOLLONGONG AUSTRALIA



19/20 Entertainment Memberships



Your go to gift for Mother's Day

► BUY NOW

Support Wollongong Public School again this year with the purchase of a new Entertainment Membership for Mum.

There are thousands of exciting and savvy dining, travel and retail offers to enjoy all year. She'll love it.

Woolworths Earn and Learn

Woolworths Earn and Learn stickers have commenced and all parents are invited to collect Earn and Learn stickers when shopping at Woolworths. This supports our school by providing valuable equipment. A collection box will be available at the office.

More information can be found at: <https://www.woolworths.com.au/shop/discover/earn-and-learn>

Second-hand school uniform shop



The second hand uniform shop is now open on Tuesday and Friday morning from 8.30am-9.00am during Term 2 at the school Community Hub.

All donations of washed, clean uniforms are welcome. These can be dropped at either the Community Hub or at the main office.

Help raise funds for your school!

For any further information please contact Evoon on 0439 898 092

From the Admin desk

Uniforms, Lost Property and Borrowed Clothing

A reminder that the school uniforms are now handled by the P & C and can be ordered by contacting Sarah on 0422 678 893 or emailing pc.wps.uniforms@outlook.com



As winter approaches and some students will be wearing new items of clothing please ensure all clothing is labelled so the lost item can find its way back to its rightful owner. We do have a lost property cupboard located at the eastern end of A Block.

If your child has borrowed an item of clothing from school can it please be washed and returned to the school as soon as possible so that it can be used for another student in need. Our supply of spare clothing has been steadily declining especially in smaller size. Alternatively, you may wish to pack a spare change of clothes in your child's school bag.



~ May 2019 ~						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
5	6	7	8	9 District Cross Country	10 Mother's Day stall	11
12	13	14 NAPLAN Language Convention & Writing P&C meeting 6.30pm	15 NAPLAN Reading	16 NAPLAN Numeracy	17 PSSA Sport Notes and Payment Due (only nominated students)	18 P&C Sausage Sizzle Polling Booth
19	20	21	22	23	24 PSSA Sport	25
26	27	28	29	30	31 PSSA Sport	

Volunteer!

WE NEED YOU. YES YOU!

GET INVOLVED

TWO HOURS MAKES SUCH A DIFFERENCE!

We need your help teaching women English in the Community Hub
or help child-minding during the English classes.

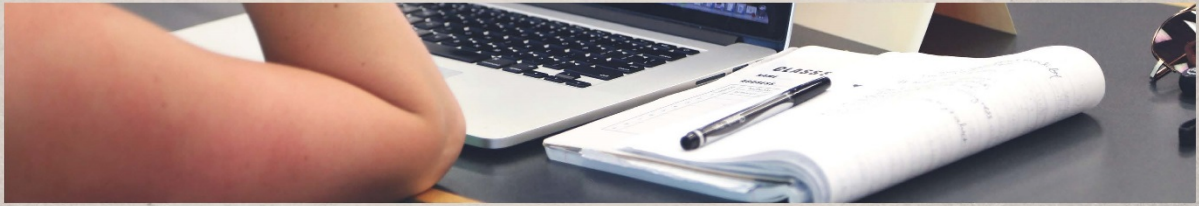
Every Wednesday from 12pm-3pm and

Friday from 9.30am-11.30am

If you have the skills and can help in anyway, please contact Evoon
on 0439 898 092

Thank you for supporting our Community Hub at Wollongong Public School





STUDENTS HELPING STUDENTS

FREE HOMEWORK SUPPORT FOR PRIMARY SCHOOL STUDENTS FROM REFUGEE & MIGRANT BACKGROUNDS IN YEARS 4, 5 & 6

**The Homework Helpers are
high school students in years 10 to 12.
Each high school student works with one
primary school student**

**Wollongong Library
Tuesday's 4 - 5.30pm**

**To register and for more information please
contact Isaac**

- Yr 10, Smith's Hill High School -

isaac.bradbury1@education.nsw.gov.au



PROJECT ARTSPACE
Keira Street Wollongong

Who do you think you are?

2019
EXHIBITION

May 22nd - May 26th
Opens 6pm Thursday May 23rd

Artwork by Austin Vo, Yr 5 Balgownie Public School, 2018

WOLLONGONG JUNIOR CHESS CLUB

JNR CHESS TOURNAMENT 2019 AUTUMN SUNDAY (Under 18 Year Olds)

7 ROUND SWISS

WHEN: *Sunday 26-May-2019* (10:00am to 4:00pm)

WHERE: FAIRY MEADOW COMMUNITY CENTRE - KEIRA ROOM
Guest Park - Crn Cambridge Ave and
Princess Hwy Fairy Meadow
(Opposite Woolworth)

Trophy Prizes: 1st, 2nd, 3rd + Age Groups

Games will be rated by NSWJCL

Results will influence qualification to
NSWJCL Country Championship

Entry Fee: \$10

Lunch: Players should bring their own lunch and refreshments.

Arbiter and Information: JOHN MAZZIERI

Phone: (02) 4283 3080

e-mail: mazzieri@exemail.com.au

WOLLONGONG JNR CHESS CLUB
meets Thursdays 4:00-6:00pm (not school hols)
Fairy Meadow Community Centre

Future SUNDAY TOURNAMENTS

26-May AUTUMN Sunday

25-Aug WINTER Sunday

10-Nov SPRING Sunday



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	\$4.00
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 Stick	\$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

Upsize Salad from 12oz to 20oz dome for an extra \$1.50

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	\$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

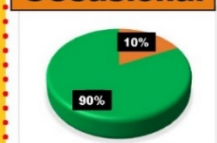
As required by the NSW government all menu items sold each day, are to be listed as Everyday or Occasional food to allow parents and caregivers informed choices.

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