

## WOLLONGONG PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Term 3, Week 5



#### Weekly message

Dear Parents,

We are now half way through Term 3 with so much happening around our school. Items of note this week include:

#### Harrison Craig visit

On Monday author and performer Harrison Craig visited our school. I understand he was an outstanding and engaging speaker/singer (he is a former 'The Voice' contestant) and gave a thoroughly entertaining performance.



#### **Southern Stars**

This has been a huge week for our Southern Stars dancers. With full day rehearsals on Wednesday and Thursday, a performance this morning, another tonight and two more tomorrow, it is an exhausting schedule. I am looking forward to watching the show tonight and know that it will be an amazing spectacle. Congratulations to all our performers, and a huge thank you to Miss Morley, Mrs Cuthbertson, Mrs Baker and all the teachers and parents who have supported our performers in this great event.

#### **Book Week**

Next week we will be celebrating Book Week at Wollongong PS and Mr McQueen has organised a Book Fair so that students have the opportunity to purchase great new books at very reasonable prices while supporting the school through any purchases made. On Thursday we will be having our annual Book Parade and I look forward to meeting many exciting literary characters in the playground!

#### Early Stage 1 and Stage 1 Symbio Excursions

On Monday Early Stage One and on Tuesday Stage 1 students will be travelling to Symbio Wildlife Park for an amazing day amongst the animals there. I look forward to hearing of their experiences and expect to read some great writing in response to their visit.

#### **Dads Do Drop-Off**

As Fathers' Day is rapidly approaching, on Wednesday we are asking all our Dads (and Mums too of course) if they would like to do an early drop-off and join us for some breakfast and a few fun activities. We will be here from 8.00am to welcome you and the coffee van will be here if you would like to purchase a cup.

#### Fathers' Day Stall

On Friday, our P&C will be holding a Fathers' Day Stall and all students will have an opportunity to purchase a gift, so please remember to send some present money in with your child.

#### Thank you to our SASS

Next week is when we recognise the fabulous work that our School Administrative and Support Staff (SASS) in our schools. This year has been a particularly challenging one for our Administration Team, Fran, Maree, Narelle, Kim, Michelle and Leanne, as they have had to move office and operate under very trying conditions, and then move back and set up an entirely new office. Our relieving General Assistant Frank has also had an enormous amount of work to do, as has Wendy our Library Assistant. We also have the amazing School Learning and Support Officers, Larraine, Toni-Lee, Nadine, Evoon, Susana and Mohammed. They all do an amazing job, so if you happen to be in our school, please drop in and say thanks.

Have a happy and safe weekend, Kind regards,

#### **Harold Cosier**



#### **Deputy Principal News**

A big thank you to all families who completed the School Administration survey so far. We are looking for some more responses so if you have not yet provided feedback and would like to do so, please click on the link below.

#### https://forms.gle/t34Ho9e8TVATGL5U6

Don't forget to visit our school website for all the latest news of events taking place at our school. You can also access a copy of any note that has been distributed for events and make payments for excursions.

#### https://wollongong-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/

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

Kind regards

**Matt Richard** 

#### Book Week 2019 at WPS

Next week (August 26 – 30) Wollongong Public School will be celebrating Book Week. As part of our celebrations the following activities will be taking place: (There are no costs for any of these activities.)

#### K – 2 Walking Excursion

On Wednesday August 28 children in Kindergarten to Year 2 will be walking to Wollongong Public Library for a performance. They will be leaving the school at 11.30 am, walking to the library and returning to school by 1pm. Permission to attend this event is covered by the local areas walking note so no permission note will be going home for this activity.

#### **Book Parade**

At 2pm on Thursday August 29 we will be holding a book parade. Children are encouraged to come to school dressed as their favourite book character. Parents are invited to be part of the fun and younger siblings may also wish to dress up and join the parade.

#### **Book Fair**

A Scholastic Book Fair will be happening in the library beginning on Monday. The book Fair will be open to parents before and after school at the following times:

#### Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> August

Before School: 8.30am – 9.00am After School: 3.00pm – 4.00pm

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> August Before School: 8.30am – 9.00am After School: 3.00pm – 4.00pm

**Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> August** Before School: 8.30am – 9.00am After School: 3.00pm – 4.00pm

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> August Before School: 8.30am – 9.00am



The school receives a percentage of all sales which will be used to purchase resources for the library.

Any parents who can help run the book fair at any of the above times please see Mr McQueen in the Library. Your help is greatly appreciated.

#### What's Happening in the Library

Monday August 26 – Friday August 30 Book Week and Book Fair

Wednesday August 28 – K-2 Excursion to Wollongong Public Library 11.30am – 1.00 pm

Thursday August 29 - Book Parade 2pm – 3pm

On Monday 19<sup>th</sup> August we had the privilege to have Harrison Craig visit Wollongong Public School.



Harrison spoke about his battle with a stutter for most of his younger life and later discovering his love for singing which led him to winning "The Voice" in 2013. He then wrote a book "Harrison's Song" hoping to inspire children to search for and use their own talents to overcome all challenges that they face.

Harrison will be performing at Anitas Theatre Thirroul on 4<sup>th</sup> October.



## Second-hand school uniform shop

The second hand uniform shop is now open on Tuesday and Friday morning from 8.30-9.00 during term 3 at the Community Hub.

All donations of clean clothing welcome, either at the Community Hub or at the main office.

#### Help raise fund for your school!

For any further information please contact Evoon 0439 898092. Evoon Yacoub Community Hub Leader Wollongong Public School

#### Instructional Leader Update

#### 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. All teachers engaged in a professional learning session where Mrs Critoph introduced a new way of using data. Teachers were able to clearly identify an explicit class focus for writing and numeracy and will review this data again towards the end of this term to reflect on student progress. This new way of using data has come from a course called Data Wise through the Harvard Graduate School of Education that Mrs Critoph, Mrs Neaves and Mr Richards have been doing over the last few weeks.

#### Kindergarten Home Reading Workshop

This week Mrs Neaves and Mrs Critoph ran two Kindergarten Home Reading Workshops and we would like to thank those families that attended these sessions. We were pleased to see that through the workshops we were able to create a clearer picture for parents on how to best support their child to read at home. Mrs Neaves and Mrs Critoph will endeavour to run similar parent information sessions on Literacy and Numeracy in the near future.

#### **Kindergarten Home Reading**

Mrs Neaves and Mrs Critoph are really excited to see our Kindergarten children being given the opportunity to take home their Familiar Read as a home reader from next week. This has become achievable through a lot of hard work and support from our P&C, staff and teachers here at Wollongong Public School. What this means is that the children will be bringing home a classroom book that has been taught as a reading lesson on that day. It is essential for the success of this reading program that the reader be returned to school the next day as there will be teachers needing the book for lessons. Please regularly check your child's school bag as there will be more information that will be distributed next week.



The children will also receive a lovely new book bag that they will use to transport their home reader to and from school.



Student will receive a new book bag to transport their Familiar Read to and from home each day.



Familiar Reads are books that have been taught during a reading lesson.

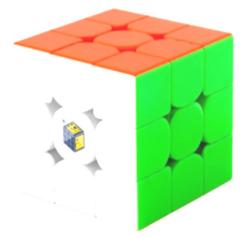
Books will need to be returned each day for teachers to continue with classroom lessons.



## 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.

### Positive Behaviour for Learning at WPS!

#### PBL News

#### 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 chained on the players and end in players.

students in making positive choices on the playground and in classrooms.

#### <u>PBL Lessons</u>

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 was about **Uniforms and Hats**. We appreciate your support in ensuring all students are dressed in appropriate school uniform with their name labelled on each item.



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#### FAST AND FREQUENT PUGGLE

This term, we have launched the 'fast and frequent' reward system. This whole school reward 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. When a student receives a puggle, this is kept and placed into their classroom collection box. Every Friday, the SRC will collect and count puggles from each classroom and add them to our 'Puggle Pond' which can be found in the front office! All K-6 students are working towards reaching 5000 achieve a whole school reward!

Last week at the whole school assembly, the SRC announced the current total of puggles that have been collected so far for this term.

All K-6 students have collectively received:

Congratulations WPS on this outstanding effort! Each week we are getting closer to the whole school reward!



puggles to 2850 puggles



## 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 an Arabic speaking mentor.

Afternoon tea will be provided.

## Sessions:

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> August at 12:00 to 1:30pm Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September at 12:00 to 1:30pm Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September at 12:00 to 1:30pm Monday 16<sup>th</sup> September at 12:00 to 1:30pm Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> September at 12:00 to 1:30pm









## Beginning School Well البداية الافضل للمدرسة 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

سيتم تشغيل مجموعة اللعب من قبل معلمي Wollongong Public School و المسؤله عن مركز المجتمع التي تتحدث اللغة العربية .

سيتم توفير شاي بعد الظهر.



الاثنين 26 أغسطس في الساعة 12:00-1:30 بعد الظهر الإثنين 2 سبتمبر في الساعة 12:00-1:30 بعد الظهر الأثنين 9 سبتمبر في الساعة 12:00-1:30 بعد الظهر الاثنين 16 سبتمبر في الساعة 12:00-1:30 بعد الظهر الاثنين 23 سبتمبر في الساعة 12:00-1:30 بعد الظهر





## 开始新学期

## **Wollongong Public School**

此项活动是为3至5岁的非英语背景儿童及其父母提供的有趣和令人兴奋的游戏活动。 地点:卧龙岗公立学校的社区中心 (Community Hub) 该游戏小组将由卧龙岗公立学校的老师和我们的社区中心负责人(阿拉伯语的导师)管理。 活动将提供免费的下午茶。

## 活动时间: 周一,8月26日12:00到下午1:30 周一,9月9日12:00到下午1:30 周一,9月16日12:00到下午1:30 周一,9月23日12:00到下午1:30









Wollongong Public School P&C

# Father's Day Stall

Spoil Dad and Grandad on Sunday with a beautiful gift picked by you that makes their day extra special

Friday 30th August

In class groups from 9am - School Hall

Gifts from \$1 to \$10



| ~ August 2019 ~ ▶ |   |   |  |   |  |          |  |  |  |
|-------------------|---|---|--|---|--|----------|--|--|--|
| Sun               | Mon   | Tue   | Wed  | Thu                                       | Fri  | Sat      |  |  |  |
|                   | <b>19</b><br>Kindergarten Home<br>Reading Workshop<br>9:00am<br>Harrison Craig<br>Performance 2pm | 20<br>Kindergarten Home<br>Reading Workshop<br>3.15pm | 21   | 22  | 23<br>Southern Stars<br>Matinee<br>Performance             | 24       |  |  |  |
|                   | <b>26</b><br>Symbio Excursion<br>Kindergarten<br>Book Fair  | <b>27</b><br>Symbio Excursion<br>Stage 1<br>Book Fair | Fathering Project<br>8am – 9am<br>Book Fair<br>K-2 Library | <b>29</b><br>Book Parade 2pm<br>Book Fair | <b>30</b><br>PSSA Sport<br>Father's Day Stall<br>Book Fair | 31       |  |  |  |
|                   |   |   | Excursion  | 40  |  |          |  |  |  |
|                   | Marc  | Ū.  | ptember 20   |   | <b>F</b> :   |          |  |  |  |
| Sun<br>1          | Mon<br>2<br>Stage 3<br>Sustainability<br>Excursion  | Tue<br>3<br>ICAS - Digital<br>Technologies            | -  | Thu<br>5<br>ICAS - Science                | Fri<br>6<br>PSSA Sport                                     | Sat<br>7 |  |  |  |
| 8                 | 9   | <b>10</b><br>ICAS - Writing                           | 11   | <b>12</b><br>ICAS Spelling                | 13<br>PSSA Sport   | 14       |  |  |  |

#### What's Due:

Stage 3 Sustainability Excursion payment and permission note due by Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> August.

| Made Fresh  |                       |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 2019 Can  |                       | een Menu 🗫   |  |  |  |  |  |
| BREAKFAST ONLY (Sold at counter of  | only)                 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Oven Baked Hash Brown   | \$1.00                | Good Homing E Pizza Cheese Sub (served on roll) \$2.50   |  |  |  |  |  |
| BREAKFAST, RECESS & LUNCH (Sold at counter of   |                       | Mexican Quesadilla<br>Stuffed Vine Leaves with Rice x5<br>\$3.00                                   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Plain Milk Cup<br>Hot Chocolate Cup   | \$1.00<br>\$1.50      | 0 E Grilled Chicken Souvlaki on a Roll \$4.50  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Light Chocolate Milk Cup  | \$1.50<br>\$1.50      | 0 E Homemade Pizza with Lean Ham & Cheese \$5.50   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Light Banana Milk Cup<br>Toasted Cheese Sub   | \$1.50<br>\$1.50      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| E Toasted Cheese & Lean Ham Sub<br>Corn Flakes Bowl   | \$2.00<br>\$2.50      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Pancakes x2 with Honey  | \$2.50                | 0 E Fresh Grilled Chicken Fillet Burger \$5.50   |  |  |  |  |  |
| SANDWICHES (White or Wholemeal B  | <b>Fead</b><br>\$1.50 | E Terryaki Chicken with Cucumber \$4.50  |  |  |  |  |  |
| E Jam<br>E Honey  | \$1.50<br>\$1.50      | 0 Veggie Tofu, Carrot, Cucumber VEGAN 54.50  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cheese<br>Lean Ham  | \$2.00<br>\$2.50      | DAILY HOMEMADE MENU  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cheese & Tomato   | \$3.00<br>\$3.50      | 0 💦 👔 Tuesday Mac & Cheese Pasta 🗧 👬 🔭 \$4.50  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lean Ham, Cheese & Tomato   | \$4.00<br>\$4.00      | 0 Thursday Pasta with Meatballs  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tuna, Lettuce & Mayo  | \$4.00<br>\$4.00      | DAZZLING MEAL DEALS  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 👔 Fresh Chicken, Lettuce & Mayo   | \$4.00<br>\$4.50      | PACK 1: CHEESE SANDWICH  |  |  |  |  |  |
| E Fresh Chicken & Salad   | \$4.50                | 0 PACK 2: STUFFED VINE LEAVES with RICE x5   |  |  |  |  |  |
| WRAPS & ROLLS (Tortilla or Lebanese E   | -                     | PACK 3: MEATBALLS SUB  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cheese & Tomato<br>Lean Ham & Cheese Extra fillings just add 0.70c each   | \$3.50<br>\$4.00      | PACK 4: PASTA with MEATBALLS   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lean Ham, Cheese & Tomato<br>Salad (Lettuce, Tomato, Carrot, Cucumber)  | \$4.50<br>\$4.50      | PACK 5: PASTA BOLOGNAISE   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Tuna, Lettuce & Mayo<br>Fresh Chicken with Cheese   | \$4.50<br>\$4.50      | PACK 6: FRESH CHICKEN & CHEESE ROLL  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Fresh Chicken Lettuce & Mayo  | \$4.50                | PACK 7: FRESH CHICKEN SALAD SANDWICH   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Fresh Cut Veggie Cup  | \$1.50                | CRUNCH N SID DACKS   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Veggie Snack Pack Dome with Carrot, Celery,Corn,Tomatos & Bread Stick:<br>Veggie Snack Pack Dome with Cheese Cubes & Bread Sticks | \$4.50                |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Veggie Snack Pack Dome with Fresh Chicken Breast & Bread Sticks<br>SALADS (All Salads served in 1202 D                            | \$5.00                | Diced Fruit Cup & Water 400ml S3.00  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Garden Salad  | \$4.00                | SNACKS & FROZEN TREATS   |  |  |  |  |  |
| E Tuna Salad Extra fillings just add 0.70c each Cheese Salad  | \$4.50<br>\$4.50      | 0 Frozen 99% Juice Cup Small (3 Flavours) 0.50c  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lean Ham Salad<br>Fresh Chicken Breast Salad  | \$4.50<br>\$4.50      | 0 Frozen Diced Pineapple Small Cup \$1.00  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Fresh Chicken Breast Pasta Salad<br>Fresh Chicken Caesar Salad with Lean Ham  | \$5.00<br>\$5.00      | 0 E Frozen 99% Quelch Fruit Juice Sticks (4 Flavours) \$1.00                                       |  |  |  |  |  |
| Upsize Salad from 12oz to 20oz dome for an extra \$1.50<br>FRESH FRUIT & YOGHURT  |                       | Popcorn     S1.00     S1.00     S1.00     S1.00  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ciced Pineapple Small Cup   | \$1.00                |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cranges, Apples, Mandarins<br>Banana  | \$1.50                | 0 Frozen Chocolate Milk Cup \$1.00   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Fresh Watermelon Cup  | \$2.00<br>\$2.00      | 0 👔 Frozen Banana Milk Cup 🛸 \$1.00  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Vanilla Yoghurt<br>Yoghurt with Muesli Cup  | \$2.00<br>\$2.50      | 0 E Frozen Grapes Cup (seasonal) \$2.00  |  |  |  |  |  |
| E Yoghurt with Fruit Cup<br>Seasonal Fresh Fruit Salad Bowl (12oz)  | \$3.00<br>\$4.00      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| OCCASIONAL FOOD & SNACKS  | • • •                 | WATER - MILK & JUICES<br>Water 400ml   |  |  |  |  |  |
| HOT FOOD Extra Sauce 0.30   | \$3.00                | 0 Water 600ml<br>Popper 100% juice (3 Flavours) MILK \$2.00<br>\$2.50                              |  |  |  |  |  |
| Chicken Hot Dog (one free sauce)  | \$3.50<br>\$3.50      | 0 Milk 300ml (plain) \$2.50  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Beef Hot Dog (one free sauce)<br>Chicken Nuggets (5 pieces)   | \$3.50<br>\$3.50      |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sausage Roll (one free sauce)   | \$4.50<br>\$4.50      | 0 to be listed as Everyday or Occasional food to allow parents and<br>caregivers informed choices. |  |  |  |  |  |
| SNACKS & OTHER TREATS   |                       | The NSW state government states menu items are required to be 75% everyday and 25% occasional.     |  |  |  |  |  |
| <ul> <li>Homemade Cookies x1</li> <li>Gummy Bear x 3</li> </ul>   | 0.50c<br>\$1.00       |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| lomemade Muffins (freshly made daily)   | \$1.50<br>\$1.50      | o for the "container scheme fee". Our suppliers have also increased                                |  |  |  |  |  |
| Chicken & Corn Roll<br>Plain Ice Cream Vanilla  | \$2.00<br>\$2.50      | Your child's healthy eating is paramount to our business.  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Red Rock Deli Chips 28g (2 Flavours)  | <b>\$2.50</b>         |  |  |  |  |  |  |