



WOLLONGONG PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Term 1, Week 2



Weekly message

Dear Parents,

We have now had our first full week at school, students have been placed in their 2020 classes, and are engaging in their learning.

Swimming Carnival

On Monday we held our School Swimming Carnival with over 100 competitors! It was a great day and our thanks go to Mrs Quinn and her team and especially the many parent volunteers who helped out during the day. Completing all the events in less than 3 hours is an amazing feat and congratulations everyone. All our competitors had a great day and quite a few will be competing in the District Carnival on Friday 21st February. We wish them good luck in their various events.

Welcome to Kindergarten

On Tuesday our Kindergarten students for 2020 had their first day of "big school". With around 80 children, our staff were very busy providing lots of learning opportunities while also helping them to feel at home and find out where all the important places are located around our school. They will be attending school until 2.30pm next week, and then will be attending 9.00am -3.00pm the week after as they become more familiar with our routines.

Novel Coronavirus

I have been able to contact all of our families who have been to China over the break, and pleased to report that at this stage, all of our students are back in Australia and are safe and well. A number of them will remain in quarantine for the required 14 days, but we look forward to welcoming them back into our school community after that period. We are continuing to monitor the situation to ensure that there is no health risk to our students.

Building Update

A building meeting was held on Wednesday where we were able to discuss the build progress with the supervising team. Work on the Learning Building is progressing well, and I had a quick look inside today and below are some photos of our new classrooms.



Canteen

There has been a delay with the opening of the canteen and it will now open on Monday 17th February. I would like to thank you all for your support as it can be an inconvenience, and I would also like to acknowledge the flexibility that Made Fresh, our canteen provider has shown during this period.

Meet the Teacher / Welcome Barbecue

On Tuesday 18th February between 4.00pm and 6.00pm we will be holding Meet the Teacher sessions, and our P&C will be holding a Welcome Barbecue from 3.30pm for all our school families. A note will be coming home shortly with specific details of when you can meet your child's teacher/s.

School Photo Reminder

A date to add to your calendar, our School Photos will take place on Wednesday March 11th. Information will be handed out to students in the coming weeks.

P&C Meeting

Our first P&C meeting for the year will be held next Tuesday 11th February at 6.30 pm in the school staffroom and everyone is very welcome

Have a great weekend,
Kind regards,

Harold Cosier



CANTEEN CLOSURE

Due to the disruption to the area around our canteen and library, Made Fresh, our canteen provider, was unable to receive deliveries this week so our canteen will open on Monday 17th February.

Library

Library lessons have started for 2020. In order to protect library books, children must have a library bag to borrow. Library bags are available from the office for \$3.30, but any clean bag with your child's name on it is fine. Our aim is to encourage a love of reading for leisure and pleasure. You can help us achieve this aim by ensuring your child has a library bag on their library day and by taking an interest in the books they are borrowing and reading.



Class library days for 2020 are:

Monday: 3/4CH, 2/3C, 1/2PE, 5/6N

Tuesday: 5/6R, 5L, 3/4L, KT, KS

Wednesday: 6M, 5/6B, 5/6S, 2L, KW

Thursday: 4/5C, 1C, 3/4G, 2P, 2W

Friday: KBC, 1B

Parent Helpers Needed

Mr McQueen in the library has a large number of library books that need covering and is looking for parent volunteers to help out. Parents can cover books at school in the library office or can take books home to cover them. Mr McQueen will provide the books, the contact and the scissors if parents can provide their time. Please see Mr McQueen in the library if you are able to assist.

Wollongong High School of the Performing Arts

AUDITION APPLICATIONS FOR YEAR 7, 2021

Online audition application is now available online for students in Year 6 2020, who wish to audition for Wollongong High School of the Performing Arts through the WHSPA school website.

Applications are only accepted online.

Instructional Leaders Update

Home Reading

Throughout 2020, your child will be participating in daily reading instruction in the classroom. To ensure we maximise each child's reading success, we will be sending home a 'familiar reader'. This is the book or reading resource that your child has read with their teacher that day. We encourage you to read this book each night with your child and return it to school the next day. Sometimes as texts become more complex, students will bring home the same book for a couple of nights as students build fluency, comprehension and vocabulary.

Each child will receive a special blue book bag to transport their home reader to and from school. An essential part of the success of this program is for families to encourage daily reading and to return their book daily. This allows teachers to continually support and extend each child's reading abilities. In the case that a book is not returned to school, a reminder will be sent before a \$10 cover fee is issued to replace the resource.

Early Stage One students will begin home reading on Monday 10th February and Stage One students will begin on Monday 17th February. We also encourage you to send your child with their library bag on their library day each week, to choose other rich texts to enjoy at home.

We look forward to working with you and your child this year, engaging in quality texts and fostering a love of reading.



Stage Planning Days

Throughout this year Mrs Neaves and Mrs Critoph will be working with Team Leaders and Classroom Teachers to evaluate student Literacy and Numeracy data and then plan lessons to target the needs of all students. The Stage One team have already had their first stage planning day and the Early Stage One team of teachers have been working together today. During stage planning days teachers work collaboratively to develop teaching activities that incorporate differentiated strategies to meet the specific learning needs of students across the full range of abilities in Literacy and Numeracy.

**WOLLONGONG PUBLIC SCHOOL
UNIFORM PRICE LIST 2020**

Item	Price per item	Sizes
Shorts	\$15.00	4 6 8 10 12 14 16
Skort	\$19.00	4 6 8 10 12 14 16
Trackpants	\$25.00	4 6 8 10 12 14 16
Polo Shirt Short Sleeve	\$25.00	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	\$47.00	5 6 8 10 12 14 16
Bucket Hat	\$15.00	S/M M/L L/XL
*PRICES SUBJECT TO CHANGE		

UNIFORM SHOP OPENING HOURS

Thursday's: 3.00pm - 3.30pm

Fridays: 8.00am - 8.30am

Any questions please contact Sarah at
pc.wps.uniforms@outlook.com



Second-hand school uniform shop

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

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

~ February 2020~						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
9	10	11 P & C Meeting 6.30pm	12	13	14	15
16	17	18 Welcome BBQ from 3.30pm	19	20	21 District Swimming Carniva	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
~ March 2020~						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11 School photos	12	13	14

Who wants to play **BASKETBALL?**



The Bulli PCYC basketball comp has space for teams in the junior primary school competition, played on Tuesday afternoon-evenings.

*We use 8-foot-high rings, 5 on court, proper referees and scoring.
Teams should have 6-9 players, up to and including Year 4.*

*We're looking to get started ASAP.
To register or for more info please contact Gina or Maddy at the PCYC on 42843878.*

*Active Kids vouchers apply.
Don't delay; do it today!*



ILLAWARRA SPORTS HIGH

SUPPORTING TALENTED ATHLETES THROUGH EDUCATION

2020 INFORMATION & OPEN NIGHT

Monday 24th February 2020

6.00pm til 8.00pm

Illawarra Sports High School Hall

Guru Street, Berkeley



The Open Night will provide parents and students with information regarding local enrolments and the Talented Sports and Development Program.

Information for students in years 5 to 10.

Register your interest online www.illawaspor-h.schools.nsw.gov.au

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Parking in a way that blocks buses and crossings or obscures sight lines is illegal, putting children and motorists in danger.

**CHILDREN
CROSSING**

Children's Crossing

Don't stop within 20 metres before the crossing and 10 metres after the crossing.
Penalty exceeds \$439 + 2 Demerit Points



Double Parking

Don't stop on a road between the road centre and another vehicle parked at the side of the road to wait, pick up or drop off passengers.
Penalty exceeds \$330 + 2 Demerit Points



Speeding

Don't exceed 40km / hour during the designated school zone hours.
Penalty exceeds \$192 + 2 Demerit Points

Think ahead - be patient

Follow the traffic rules within school zones.

There are NO EXCUSES - the cost of taking your children to school depends entirely on YOU.

Effective 30 January 2018.
For a full list of penalties and offences visit
www.rms.nsw.gov.au

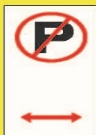
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Keep our children safe

Important signs around schools



No Parking

You can stop in a No Parking zone for a maximum of 2 minutes to drop off or pick up passengers. You must stay within 3 metres of your vehicle at all times. Penalty exceeds \$183 + 2 Demerit Points



No Stopping

Don't stop on a length of road where there is a No Stopping sign. (Exemptions for medical emergencies, vehicle breakdown and road obstructions ahead). Penalty exceeds \$330 + 2 Demerit Points



Bus Zone

Don't stop or park in a Bus Zone unless you're driving a public bus. Penalty exceeds \$330 + 2 Demerit Points

The safety of our children depends on us.

Traffic rules and parking restrictions are in place to improve everyone's safety.

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LAST DAYS OF SUMMER

WELCOME BBQ

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18TH, 3.30PM

Coinciding with "Meet the Teacher"

HALAL BBQ

First sausage free!
plus other treats for sale

RAFFLE

2 great prize packs
\$3/ticket or \$10/4 Tix

ONLINE RAFFLE TICKETS

www.wpsraffle.floktu.com

Save time and buy online or use the order form below

PRIZE PACK ONE

Billabong backpack + towel (\$100)
Jamie Oliver Cookbook (\$50)
Australian Dinosaur Museum family pass (\$30)
\$50 Daring Squire brewery voucher
Early Start Discovery Space family pass (\$40)
Magic Zoom play centre 3 pass (\$48)
Inflatable World 4 pass (\$40)
Wollongong Comedy 3 double passes (\$60)
Jamiesons Run Semillon Sauv Blanc (\$10)
\$50 Tradies voucher

PRIZE PACK TWO

Australian Dinosaur Museum family pass (\$30)
Motorlife museum family pass (\$25)
2 motoring enthusiast books (\$90)
District skate 4 pass (\$40)
Blue Mountains explorer bus family pass (\$137)
Wollongong Comedy 3 double passes (\$60)
Magic Zoom 2 pass (\$32)
Billabong hat (\$30)
Grant Burge Cabernet Sauvignon (\$12)
\$50 Tradies voucher

RAFFLE TICKETS ORDER FORM

Raffle Tickets are \$3 each or four for \$10

Return order slip and exact money to the P&C box in the office by 17th Feb, 2020

If you order online you do not need to return this note.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Number of tickets: _____

Amount enclosed (no change given): _____

