



WOLLONGONG PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Term 4, Week 7



Dear Parents,

It is good to be back at my desk after a very busy break working at home. I've enjoyed reconnecting with students, parents and staff and catching up on all the activities that occurred while I was away.

It has been an outstanding week of achievement with our students excelling in a number of major events:

Chess



Last week, our team travelled to Sydney to compete in the State finals of the NSW Chess competition. I am proud to report that Wollongong PS team was victorious in the first round against Newcastle Grammar and progressed to the final to play the Sydney Metropolitan Champions now the NSW Regional Champions. Congratulations to our great team. To top that off, they have been interviewed by WIN News and the Illawarra Mercury. The WIN interview will appear tonight (30 November) at 6.00pm while at this stage the publication date of the Mercury article is unknown.

UOW Science Fair



On Wednesday representatives from Stage 2 and Stage 3 competed in the Annual Science Fair held at the University and achieved outstanding results. A full report appears elsewhere in our newsletter detailing their achievements. Here is our triumphant team.

Mind Marathon State Competition



Last Friday (23rd of November) six students attended the State Mind Marathon Championships at East Hills Technology High School after coming 2nd in the regional competition last term. They competed in six subjects (English, Maths, Science, Engineering, History and Geography, and General Knowledge), against roughly 110 teams. They are proud to have achieved 3rd Place overall. The team had heaps of fun and laughed a lot! Congratulations Teerth, Rowan, and Oscar : Clara, Sarah, and Annabelle

Trivia Night



on Facebook page)

While I know that we have already reported on the success of our Trivia Night, I would just like to add my congratulations to the P&C team who organised what was a very enjoyable event. Although I was on leave, I joined other parents to compete and converse in our school hall, and was thrilled to be a member of the winning team! (My contributions were quite minor, and generally were around events that occurred before other team members were born!). The winning team is pictured. More photos can be found on the P&C Facebook page (Search for Wollongong Public School P&C

P&C Christmas Raffle

Tickets are now available for the Christmas Raffle with some huge prizes – further details appear later in this newsletter.

Building Program

There has been considerable work completed while I was away, with the refurbished Bottom Grass toilet block nearing completion (initial inspection is scheduled for late next week) and the stormwater drainage work and Smith Street access driveway well under way. We met this week to nominate furniture for our new learning building, and that will consist of a mix of traditional student tables and chairs with future focused soft furnishings and accessories.

PBL Mascot competition

All students will have brought home an Entry Form for our PBL (Positive Behaviour for Learning) Mascot Competition. We need an appropriate mascot whose image will be used in conjunction with all our PBL focus areas around Safety, Respect and Responsibility. Please encourage your child to use their imagination in designing an appropriate character.

Coming Up

Next week is extraordinarily busy with:

Tuesday: Year 5 Beach safety excursion, Year 6 High School Transition day

Wednesday: Year 6 Beach safety excursion, Stage 1 Public Speaking competition

Thursday: Combined Scripture Assembly, Spider (drinks) Peacekeeper fundraiser

Friday: Joanna Grace Dance excursion (Alice in Wonderland) excursion K-4

Have a safe and happy weekend

Kind regards,

Harold Cosier

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PRINCIPAL

CALENDAR – TERM 4

MONTH		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Nov 2018	4	5	6 Kinder 2019 Orientation	7 Interrelate – Year 6	8	9 PSSA
	5	12	13	14 Interrelate – Year 6	15	16 P & C Trivia Night PSSA
	6	19	20	21 Interrelate – Year 6	22	23 PSSA
	7	26	27	28	29	30 Gala Day Last day to do Bookclub orders online
Dec 2018	8	3	4 Stage 3 Surf Awareness Beach Day Year 5	5 Stage 3 Awareness Beach Day Year 6	6 Peacekeepers Fundraiser Whole School combined scripture	7 K-4 Pantomime at the IPAC
	9	10	11	12	13 Year 6 Farewell Combined Christian scripture assembly	14 School Excellence Assembly 11.30 am – 1.10 pm
	10	17 Extra Curricular & Sports Assembly 11.30 am – 1.10 pm	18 Peacekeepers – Jambereo Excursion	19 Last day for students	20 Staff Development Day	21 Staff Development Day

Wollongong Illawarra Coal Science Fair

Battling the 25 degree heat, which was contrasting the downpour of rain outside the University of Wollongong's Sports Hub, 12 students from Wollongong Public School contested in Australia's largest science fair. The dull weather outside didn't have an impact on the students' mood (thankfully) as they competed at a high level with hopeful and motivated spirits.

The University of Wollongong Illawarra Coal Science Fair was held on the 28th of November to celebrate the love of science which was common and resonating throughout the sports hub on the day. 950 contestants were expected to attend the event, all hoping to impress judges with their knowledge of their subject, which ranged in the areas of STEM (science, technology, engineering and maths). Roughly 80 schools were present, being judged for their overall results.

Wollongong Public School was proud to receive a prestigious Leadership Award (**the** grand prize, you could call it), which symbolised the students' consistency in achieving high results. Along with our group's overall achievement, Ronan received a 2nd place out of all the contestants in Stage 2 and Shiv received a 3rd place out of all the contestants in Stage 3. All students were proud of representing our school in such a great manner.

2019 WPS Leadership Speeches

Parents and our school community are invited to attend and listen to the speeches, to support student applications, to become a Captain or Prefect in 2019. The speeches will be held in the school hall on Monday 3 December at 11:30am.

~ FREE EVENT FREE EVENT FREE EVENT FREE EVENT ~

What do you get when you put thirty passionate, intelligent and creative year six students with an actor and writer just crazy enough to think they can all create a play together?

Well, what we got is...
"FOR THE WORLD!"

A full-length play about a bunch of kids determined to save the planet - written, directed and performed by these thirty wonderful young people.

*Come and join GOC as they take you on a journey,
inviting you to stand up for the world and make a difference.*

Monday 10th December 2018

Wollongong Public School Hall

Matinee 11:30am - 1:15pm

Evening Performance 6:30pm - 8:15pm

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Chess

This weekend one of our Wollongong Public school chess teams played 3 games to determine who would be NSW Inter-School Chess Regional Champions.

The first game was played on Friday at St Paul's Grammar School against Kinross Wolaroi, a team from Orange. It was a close game but we managed to win.

We then played Newcastle Grammar in the Final on Saturday, who we *just* beat on a tiebreak. We are now the NSW Country Champions at chess. The same day, we played the metropolitan team, sadly we lost to a better team. The Illawarra Mercury came to interview the A team on Wednesday and then on Thursday the 29th, we were interviewed by WIN News. The team consisted of 4 players ordered by choice, Han Board 1, Nazif Board 2, Rahil Board 3 and then Christine Board 4. Overall, it was a fun and exciting experience for everyone who participated.



WHERE WILL YOU BE IN 2019??

[Please complete and return to the school office]

If you expect your child will not be attending our school in 2019 please complete the form below and return as soon as possible.

CHILD'S NAME: _____

CLASS: _____

REASON: _____



Christmas Raffle

Tickets \$5 each

10+ prizes to be won

Beaton Park - 6 week Gym Membership valued at \$99
Taronga Zoo - 2 x Adult Pass valued at \$94
Alexander Michaels - Gift Voucher \$100
Sydney Living Museum - Family Pass valued at \$40
Australian National Maritime Museum - Family Pass valued at \$79
Fourth Wave Wines - Woods Crampton Shiraz Magnum valued at \$40
Inflatable World - 2 x Double Passes valued at \$32 each
Cockington Green - Family Pass valued at \$56
Blu Orange Cafe - voucher \$25
Kurtosh - voucher \$15
Entertainment Book - valued at \$60

**Raffle to be drawn
Friday 14th December 2018
at the Excellence Assembly**



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**Vacancies still available for
Kindergarten 2019
Enrol now!**

Check us out on our website!

<https://wollongong-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/>



Enrolment forms available at our school office

Second-hand school uniform shop (Open hours have changed)



The second hand uniform shop is now open on Tuesday and Friday morning from 8.30-9.00 during term 4 at the Community Hub.

All donation welcome, either at the community hub or at the main office.

Help raise fund for your school!

For any further information please contact me on 0439898092

Kind Regards,

Evoon Yacoub

Community Hub Leader Wollongong Public School



Australia Cheng Feng Education Exchange Centre

ACF Mandarin School --- Mandarin Course

ACF Mandarin School is staffed by experienced and qualified teachers who have had decades of experience teaching Chinese in NSW.

Our school provides Mandarin language courses to students from Kindergarten to Year 10 levels. We use a very effective method of teaching by immersing the students in the Chinese culture. Our ultimate objective is to develop the students' ability, boost their confidence in learning and raise their interest in the new language, making sure they can apply what they have learned to daily, practical use.



Classes: From Kindergarten to Year 10, (4 terms in a year),

Course Fee: \$200.00/term, Special price: \$180, teaching Materials: \$30/whole Year

Time Table: Tuesday 3:15pm-5:15pm

Term	Period	Term	Period
1	05/02/2019-- 09/04/2019	3	23/07/2019-- 24/09/2019
2	30/04/2019 -- 02/07/2019	4	15/10/2019-- 10/12/2019

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Enrolment: Phone, Fax, Email, or in person are all welcome

Office Address: Level 5, 461/317-321 Castlereagh Street, Sydney NSW 2000

Location: School Library – Block D, 67A Church Street, Wollongong Public School

All students get together at School Library Block D at 3:00pm. The parents pick up your child/children at Library at 5:15pm.