

WOONGARRAH PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Preparing our students for the opportunities and challenges arising in an ever changing world as successful learners, confident, connected and creative global citizens.

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NEWSLETTER

Issue 17

Welcome back to Term 4. It is a busy term with many extra curricula activities planned to enhance our curriculum provisions here at Woongarrah.

#### **Kindy Orientation**

We welcomed our new Kindergarten students for 2020 this week, at the first of three Kindergarten Orientation sessions. Parents were invited to an Information session about the school and getting ready for Kindy. Year 5 students greeted their buddies with enthusiasm and were very excited to spend time together at recess in the playground.

Thank you to Mrs Guest who has done a wonderful job of coordinating this program and to Mrs Dewar, in the office, for the administrative work needed to enrol the new students. Thank you also to the P&C for the generous donation of a library bag and school hat for every student starting Kindy.

#### Changes to Goodstart parking entry and exit

You may have noticed changes to the traffic flow into and out of Goodstart Early Learning Centre next door to the school. From now on parents using the centre to pick up or drop off children will enter via the main gates that are also used by staff. They will exit via the driveway closest to the park. This will improve the safety for vehicles entering the school and pre-school.

It has been observed that some parents use the Goodstart car park to wait to collect students in the afternoon. Please be advised that the carpark is dedicated to Goodstart and is not to be used by Woongarrah PS. Your cooperation in keeping our students safe is appreciated.

#### **School Canteen Invitation to Tender**

Tenders are currently invited for the operation of the Woongarrah Public School canteen for 2020-2021.

Documents: can be downloaded from the tenders website www.tenders.nsw.gov.au

Tenderers will be required to demonstrate in their tender that they have the necessary skills, resources, experience, financial capacity, and in some cases licences, accreditations, etc., to fulfil the tender requirements. Enquiries to the school office on 4392 7493.

Lodgment Tenders are required to be submitted through the NSW Government eTendering website. Tenders must be lodged electronically via <u>www.tenders.nsw.gov.au</u>

Closing date: 18 November 2019. Spread the word.

#### Year 5 leadership Elections

We offer a range of opportunities to ensure that students learn the skills to be leaders and effective team members, including Year 5 leadership elections occurring this month. Year 5 students nominate candidates and successful nominees prepare speeches to present to Year 5 and Parliament. Staff, Year 5 and Parliament then vote to create a short list of 8 candidates. The 8 candidates then present a further speech at a school assembly after which all staff and all students in Years 3-5, plus the outgoing Year 6 ministers, vote for the Prime Minister and Deputy Prime Minister roles. Announcement of Parliament is made on Presentation Day.

#### SYDNEY NORTH ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Congratulations to all students who represented our Zone at the Sydney North Athletics carnival on October 16, 2019. All of the students put in a fantastic performance amongst some of the best athletes in the region.

Congratulations to our junior girls relay team (Abbie, Kyah, Brooke and Madison) for their outstanding result in the 4x100m. The girls ran a brilliant race and finished a very close third which qualifies them for the State Athletics carnival. Congratulations girls! Below are the results for the day.

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#### **2019 SCHOOL SWIMMING SCHEME**

The Department of Education School Swimming Scheme is an intensive learn to swim program, which develops water confidence and provides students with basic skills in water safety and survival. The Scheme is conducted over ten days from 11 November to 22 November 2019. Each daily lesson is 45 minutes.

Students who have not reached a satisfactory standard of water safety and survival skills and are unable to swim 25m confidently unaided in deep water are eligible to participate in the program.

The Scheme is for students in Years 2 to 6. We have 16 spots remaining for 2019. The cost is \$70 and notes are available from the office.

Mr Mills - Swim School Coordinator

#### **BOOK CLUB**

The latest issue of Book Club has now been handed out. If you wish to purchase a book please place an order online using the LOOP Online Ordering system no later than Friday 2 November.

Money is not collected at school. Please see order forms for details or use the following link to the payment page. <u>https://mybookclubs.scholastic.com.au/</u>

Sharon Gilbert (Teacher/Librarian)

#### K-2 ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

The K-2 Athletics carnival will be held on Tuesday 5 November from 9:15 – 11:00am at Woongarrah P.S. Students will participate in an age running event and novelty activities. We aim to promote participation and engagement whilst participating in fun and safe activities.

Students are encouraged to wear a t-shirt in their house colour on the day. Kindergarten and new students will find out their houses on Friday 1 November, when students will attend a house meeting and learn the team cries.

Parents are welcome to attend.



Miss Patterson and Ms Ella

#### **KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION**

Kindergarten Orientation is on Wednesday 30 October and 6 November from 9:30 to 12:30.

The next sessions are planned for Wednesday 30 October and 6 November. Parents and Kindergarten students are to come to the school hall to collect lanyards by 9:30. After a brief talk, parents will take their child to a Kindergarten classroom. Parents may leave the school after dropping off



their child to the room. Kindergarten students will visit a different Kindergarten classroom and teacher and complete activities. Students need to bring fruit break, a healthy recess to eat and wear a sun safe hat and safe shoes like joggers. Parents are to pick up their child at 12:30 from the Kindergarten classrooms. Students will receive a certificate and book on the final day of Orientation.

If you have any questions about Orientation, please contact Sam Guest on 4392 7493.

#### ASSEMBLY AWARDS

HB1	London, Roy, Jordana
HB3	Noah, Kiara, Luke
HB4	Taylan, Lexi, Logan
HB5	Kayne, Oliver, Opal
HB6	Leila, Piper, Jojo, Jessie
HB7	Winston
HB8	Georgia, Hank
HB9	Matilda, Dom
HB10	Logan, Chloe
HB12	Jaxson, Dominic, Jayden
HB13	Aidan, Miles
HB14	Matilda, Jayden
HB15	Emily, Olivia, Tom
HB16	Saxon, Jake, Taylor
HB18	Tanaya, Declan, Charlie
HB21	Christopher, Hayley, Aiden
HB22	Paige, Amari, Ben

#### K-6 ASSEMBLY ROSTER

10	Year 6 Farewell on Wednesday 18 December	Years 1-6
9	K-2	HB6
8	3-6	Ministers, Talent Quest
7	K-2	HB8
6	3-6	Ministers Speeches
5	K-2	HB5
4	No Assembly	Ministers speeches
3	K-2	HB14
Week	Assembly	Who is running Assembly

Assemblies commence at 2.20pm. Parents and community are most welcome

#### CAUGHT YOU BEING GOOD

Piper HB7	Aswathi HB9	Mia HB6	Stefan HB6	Alyssa HB9	Shenay HB9
Winston HB7	Chelsea HB1	Jack HB2	Vinnie HB4	Sienna HB4	Imogen HB4
Sienna HB1	Harry HB15	Seth HB21	Chad HB21	Olivia HB15	Axis HB9
Brody HB9	Leonor HB6	Rishaan HB9	Melody HB10	Imogen HB12	Jack HB10
Elijah HB6	Jackson HB7				

#### **P&C NEWS**

The P&C are excited to be planning some events in term 4.

**School Disco is 25 October** – We will have LED glow products for sale on the night before your child enters the disco, \$2 each or 3 for \$5. Please bring your money to purchase before the disco.

**P&C Christmas Picnic – 11 December** – this event will have some new exciting activities for you and the students. We are looking for volunteers to assist on the night. We are also looking for donations, preferably vouchers for the Guessing competition and other prizes at the event. Each business will be acknowledged for supporting our school and the event. We are also seeking a Jumping Castle with full insurance.

Please note if we do not get enough volunteers to run the Christmas Picnic, it will be cancelled.

Uniform Shop will be open Friday 1 November at 8.45am under the COLA.

The P&C, through fundraising, are gifting the new Kindy students a Library bag and hat to welcome them into our beautiful school community.

**Don't forget to like our Facebook Page** – Woongarrah Public School P&C to keep up to date on what's on. You can also contact us through this or feel free to email us at <u>woongarrahpandc@gmail.com</u>.

#### Our committee is:

- President Brett Warton
- Vice Presidents Karen Christensen & Renee Facer
- Treasurer Kristen Warton
- Secretary Michelle Gatt

We are always more than happy to have a chat.

Our next P&C Meeting is 6 November at 9.15am.

# November 2019

Sun	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat
	28	29	30	31	1	2
	Week 3 Aboriginal students cultural excursion		Kindy Orientation 2		Assembly HB14	
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	Week 4	K-2 Athletics carnival	Kindy Orientation 3 P&C Meeting	Beyond the Classroom Day Music Count Us In singalong	Newsletter Year 5 Leadership Speeches to Yr 5 & Parliament	
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	Week 5 Swim scheme	Swim scheme	Swim scheme	Review meetings Swim scheme	Assembly HB5 Swim scheme	
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
	Week 6 Swim scheme	Swim scheme	Swim scheme	Review meetings Swim scheme	Newsletter Year 5 Minister speeches Swim scheme	
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
	Week 7	Dance/choir excursion	Y6-7 WCS sports day	Review meetings	Assembly HB8	

#### Key events this month:

- **Review meetings** for students who receive Integration Funding Support or in Out of Home Care occur twice each year. Invitations will be sent home with times and dates.
- Year 5 leadership elections occur this month. Nomination speeches are in Week 4. Successful candidates then present a further speech in Week 6.
- **Swim scheme** is in Weeks 5-6. Students who have not reached a satisfactory standard of water safety and survival skills and are unable to swim 25m confidently unaided in deep water are eligible to participate in the program.
- K-2 athletics carnival is at school on Tuesday 5 November. Parents are welcome to attend 9-11.
- Year 6-7 transition programs are in full swing in November, including a BBQ Sports day for Year 6 students who are going to Wadalba and extra transition visits for some students.
- Mrs Johnson has organised a special day out for our **senior dance groups and choir** to visit two aged care facilities to entertain the residents paying it forward with our community.

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1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	Week 8	Y6-7 High School Orientation Day	P&C Meeting Y4 excursion	Parent / Volunteer thank you morning tea Year 6 farewell	Ngara Assembly of Excellence Newsletter	
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	Week 9 Transition Week	Y3 excursion	Presentation Day Semester 2 reports issued P&C Christmas Picnic			
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
	Week 10 Side Show Alley		Last day for students	Last day for staff		
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
			Christmas Day	Boxing Day		
29	30	31				

#### Key events this month:

- **Presentation Day assemblies** are held for Years 3-6 and Years K-2. Parents / carers of students who are receiving awards will receive an invitation.
- The Parent Helpers and Volunteers **thank you morning tea** is on 5 December at 11am to thank all those who have helped out throughout 2019.
- Semester 2 reports issued on Presentation Day.
- Year 6 farewell Thursday 5 December
- Side Show Alley is a fun day of activities at school organized by Year 6 for students in Years K-5 on the last Monday of the year. Sponge throwing is the favourite by far!
- **Transition visits** to meet with anticipated teachers for 2020 are arranged in the last two weeks by the Learning and Support Team for identified students.
- **Ngara Assembly** celebrates the achievements of Aboriginal students from schools across the AECG. Held @ Wyong HS. Parents / carers of students who are receiving awards will receive an invitation.



# CENTRAL COAST

### at NARARA VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL

## Sunday 3rd Nov 10am-3pm

Celebrating ME KIDS SHOWS, SPORTS & GREAT ENTERTAINMENT, STALLS, INTERACTIVE WORKSHOPS/ACTIVITIES encouraging our children to have a strong sense of identity & self worth

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