



# 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

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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

This week is SASS recognition week where we take some time out to say thank you to the School Administrative Support Staff (SASS) in our schools for the things they do every day to support our students and teachers. We value the contribution to our school community by our School Administrative Support Staff:

- Our School Administrative Manager – Mrs Stanford
- Our School Administrative Officers – Mrs Kirk, Mrs Kent, Mrs Dewar
- Our General Assistant – Mr Barraclough
- Our School Learning Support Officers – Mrs Carmody, Mrs Beresford, Mrs Lynn, Mrs McGilvray, Mrs Thomas, Mrs Paterson, Mrs Denier

Here's some of the things our staff appreciate:

*Despite having 1001 things on their own to-do-list, they always manage to squeeze in the little extras we all ask them to do. The SASS staff never hesitate to stop what they are doing to assist us with our needs and help us fix our problems and issues.*

*Mr D opens all our rooms every day and starts the heaters so we don't walk into icy cold rooms. He also does a fabulous job in getting the hall ready for us for assembly/sport/cooking etc.*

*Mr S does a great job keeping our classrooms and playground well maintained and safe. He is also awesome at rescuing student's balls from trees, roof tops and under buildings.*

*Our GA is a real asset to our school supporting both staff and students. The gardens are always looking beautiful and our recycling program is wonderful thanks to him. He assists the students with plastic police and the gardening club and will assist them in other ways too. He always has a smile and no job is too difficult for him. Mr D is a valued member of our staff.*

*Mrs X in the office always has a welcoming face and a friendly hello is always said. She is the first to assist staff and students with any task requested of her.*

*Our SAM has an amazing wealth of knowledge and experience and has embraced all of the never-ending changes to systems and processes with dedication and skill.*

## 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 focuses on weak swimmers in Years 2 to 6. We have 60 spots available and usually fills up quickly. The first 60 students with money and a note in will be accepted. The cost is \$70 and notes are available from the office.

Mr Mills - Swim School Coordinator

## TODD WOODBRIDGE CUP – TENNIS GALA DAY

Congratulations to the three teams of boys and girls in Stage 2 who competed in the Todd Woodbridge Cup on Wednesday 14 August. The cup was about encouraging participation, providing a positive experience playing tennis, growing friendships and giving students the opportunity to represent their school in a team environment. The students played both doubles and mixed double matches. Their enthusiasm and sportsmanship was excellent.



All teams were fortunate to win some games and showed a huge improvement in skill across the day. There were lots of excellent winning shots.

A big thank you to all the parents and grandparents who assisted in transport and supervision on the day.

Mrs Preece

## SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR IS COMING TO THE LIBRARY

In week 9 of this term (Monday 16 – Thursday 19 September) we will be holding our annual Book Fair. Just like last year it will be a Scholastic Book Fair and hopefully it will be as successful as last year.

The fair will be open before and after school from Monday until Thursday. (Thursday afternoon will be the last chance to purchase books). We hope to see everyone at our fair. Prices of books and stationery will range \$1 to \$25. EFTPOS facilities will be available.



Sharon Gilbert  
Teacher/Librarian

## 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 6 September.**

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

Sharon Gilbert (Teacher/Librarian)

## ENROL NOW FOR KINDERGARTEN 2020

Parents of students who are enrolling in Kindergarten in 2020 are requested to complete an enrolment form as soon as possible. Please note the following information:

### Enrolment forms

Enrolment forms are available on the Department of Education website, or from the school. Forms are being accepted now for students who reside within the local enrolment zone.

### Enrolment boundaries

Our local enrolment boundary (intake area) encompasses the area north of Sparks Road, south of the creek at Blue Haven, west of the Pacific Highway and east of the northern railway line.

If you have any questions about enrolling in Kindergarten, or you would like to contact us about students who may be attending our school in 2020, please contact us on 4392 7493 and speak to the Assistant Principal, Mrs Samantha Guest.

## ENROLMENT POLICY AND NON-LOCAL ENROLMENT

Please be aware that any new enrolments are to be considered under the Department's Enrolment of Students in NSW Government Schools policy and the General Enrolment Procedures (2019), available on the Department's internet site at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/policy-library/policies/enrolment-of-students-in-nsw-government-schools>

While parents may apply to enrol their child in the school of their choice, acceptance is subject to the child being eligible to attend and the school being able to accommodate the child. In some circumstances, where schools are over their designated enrolment cap and local enrolment buffer, non-local enrolment applications, including those of siblings, are not able to be accepted by the school.

**Please be aware that Woongarah Public School has now exceeded their enrolment cap and are unable to accept non-local enrolments.**

If you are considering moving you may wish to refer to the School Finder tool <https://education.nsw.gov.au/school-finder> to see if any siblings or extended family will be eligible to enrol at Woongarah Public School in the future.

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## TEACHER FEATURE

### Ms Miller Teaching Year 5/6 in HB16

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Where did you grow up?

Auckland, New Zealand until I was 11 and then I moved to Sydney with my Mum and sister.

What was your favourite subject in school? English, Drama and History

Best childhood memory: Playing in the clay pits near our house in New Zealand with the neighbourhood kids. Someone always came back minus a gumboot

Favourite book / movie / TV show when growing up:  
Favourite book as a child was Watership Down. Favourite TV show was The Greatest American Hero

Favourite book / movie / TV show now:

Book – The Power of Now Eckhart Tolle. Favourite Movie – The Shawshank Redemption

Favourite sport to watch or play? Softball

Favourite colour? Purple and Silver

Favourite music / band / musician: Green Day

Favourite place to go on holiday: Hawaii

What do you like doing with your family and friends? Going to the beach or having a BBQ in the backyard

What do you like doing in times by yourself? Read, listen to music and currently learning Japanese

If you could be anything, what would it be? A Teacher, of course 😊

In your opinion, who is a 'legend'? Anyone who overcomes life challenges to do what they dream of

Why? Because not everyone is able to see past the hard times and keep moving forward

What advice would you give your 10 year old self? Dream big and don't care what anyone else thinks.



## CAUGHT YOU BEING GOOD

Jaxen HB9	Isabelle HB19	Jack HB2	Carl HB19	Jordana HB1	Maddison HB1
Zac HB19	Taylah HB3	Charlie HB14	Kiarah HB18	Maika HB1	

## K-6 ASSEMBLY ROSTER

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

Week	Assembly	Who is running Assembly
6	K-2	HB12
7	3-6	HB2
8	K-2	HB13
9	3-6	HB1
10	K-2	HB9

## ASSEMBLY AWARDS

HB1	London, Samuel, Jayden
HB2	Caleb, Ruby, Kaiden
HB3	Jaimeelee, Lewis, Bailey
HB4	Taylan, Abigail, Brendan
HB5	Dustin, Ruby
HB6	Chase, Jake
HB7	Zoe, Laila
HB8	Rachel, Aaylah
HB9	Phoenix, Ariana
HB10	Lexi, Ebony
HB12	Skye, Indy, Lucas, KJ
HB13	Briant, Alisha
HB14	Jaxon, Mya
HB15	Amelia, Alex, Oliver
HB16	Ethan, Conor, Jake
HB18	Emery, Isabella, Xander
HB19	Cadell, Tyran, Soraya
HB21	Beau, Lam, Cooper
HB22	Chloe, Isabella, Hudson, Cooper

## P&C NEWS

**Our next meeting will be 4 September at 7pm**, this will be to organise the disco and Christmas picnic. We need volunteers for these events to go ahead.

The **2<sup>nd</sup> Hand Uniform Shop** will be open on Friday 6 September at 8.45am, under the COLA.

Please contact the P & C on [woongarrahpandc@gmail.com](mailto:woongarrahpandc@gmail.com)



**CENTRAL COAST COUNCIL  
P&C PRESENTS**



# **DISABILITY FORUM FOR PARENTS AND CARERS**

Department of Education will be presenting the recently released Disability Strategy.

Principal Shayne Player will be presenting what works for the Tumby Campus.

A wonderful opportunity to hear first-hand the new strategy that further supports students.



**Wednesday 4th September  
Tumbi Umbi Campus  
Tuggerah Lakes Secondary College  
150 Bellevue Rd, Tumbi Umbi  
7pm to 9pm.**

Opportunities will be available for questions and interaction with Department of Education Directors.

