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#### Wednesday 28 November 2012

Term 4 Week 8

This certainly is a busy time of the year however, I am delighted to be 'sitting in the principal's chair' for a short while, Mr Armstrong is on leave. I would encourage families to check the school calendar and update their diaries with the events that are coming up.

- K-2 Sing-a-long Assembly Monday 3 December at 2:00 This is the last assembly for K-2 this year
- K-2 Christmas Sing-a-long Monday 17 December at 2:00. This is an informal end of year 'get together' of all K-2 classes. Each class will be sharing a Christmas song that they will be leading at the Carols night. There are no awards or class items on this day. Parents are welcome to attend.
- K-2 Presentation Evening Monday 10 December – 5:30
- 3-6 Presentation Night Wednesday 12 December – 7pm

All families are invited to attend these presentation evenings even if your child is not receiving an award. These evenings are a great way to come together and celebrate a successful year at Wollondilly. All Kindergarten students are encouraged to attend the K-2 presentation as every Kindergarten student receives a presentation certificate.

P&C Christmas Carols evening Tuesday 18 December – 5:30 for 6:00pm. Bring a picnic tea. Some refreshments and a sausage sizzle will be available for sale.

K-2 had a wonderful opportunity to attend a live performance of *The Magic Pudding* at the Leider Theatre last week. This was the first live performance

that many students had seen which builds on their drama and performance experiences at school. Kindergarten visited Canberra Zoo and Aquarium Tuesday 27 November as part of their work about *Our Needs*. On Monday students in years 2-6 had the opportunity of listening to speeches of the candidates for school captains for 2013. Each student in year 2-6 along with staff, have voted for the captains. Captains will be announced at the 3-6 Presentation Evening.

We have completed our three orientation sessions for new students starting in 2013. If you know of anyone who has not enrolled or if you have not attended an interview as a new kindergarten parent, please contact the school office to arrange an appointment time. I am happy to complete interviews throughout the day, before and after school. I look forward to working with each of our new families during their time at Wollondilly Public School.

Amanda Cooper Assistant Principal

#### **Canberra Zoo Excursion**

Kinder enjoyed a fabulous day at the Canberra Zoo on Tuesday 27 November. The children learnt about the needs of many animals which complimented our learning in Term 3 and 4 HSIE units. They were very excited to be able to feed a lion and giraffe, as well as handle a non venomous snake!

Well done Kindergarten for your fantastic behaviour at the zoo! Thank you also to our parents and grandparents who were able to help with the excursion. Your assistance was greatly appreciated!

Michelle Davy







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### Year 6 gets active outdoors at Borambola Sport and Recreation Centre

Our Year 6 students swapped desks and computers for fresh air and fun earlier this month, when they visited Borambola Sport and Recreation Centre.

The five-day active outdoor learning program included kayaking, archery, swimming, rock climbing, bmx, flying fox, cook out, geo-caching, low ropes, raft building and lots more.

The adventurous activities were certainly a lot of fun, but they also provided a significant educational advantage. The program was a great opportunity for the kids to challenge their abilities and practice initiative, teamwork and communication.

Sport and Recreation Centres also host family and kids' programs during the school holidays. Visit www.dsr.nsw.gov.au/camps for more information or check out their Facebook page at www.facebook.com/NSWSportandRecreation.

#### P & C News

## COMMONWEALTH BANK SCHOOL BANKING

Wollondilly P & C is happy to advise that School Banking will recommence at our school in 2013.

The School Banking Program is a great way to encourage your child to save regularly and also includes an exciting rewards program for the children. School Banking is also a great fundraiser for the school.

For more information please contact our school banking coordinators Tracy Field (4822 2645) or Melinda Smereczanski (4821 7673) or visit our school website.









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#### Best borrower for 2013

Congratulations to Tamar Kennard from 1-2S who has borrowed and returned over 85 books to our school library in 2013. Great reading Tamar! Tamar was presented with a copy of the Star Girl novel "Dark Secrets" for her efforts.



End of year information

This is our last week for borrowing from the school library in 2012. After this week students will need to return all their library books before the end of Week 9 (December 14).

Lost or damaged books are expected to be paid for by the students' concerned.



Responsible library users return their books using this chute in the library.

All students are encouraged to visit the Goulburn town library during the summer break so that they keep on reading! I look forward to another year of busy borrowing in 2013.

#### Exciting donation from Goulburn Men's shed

The Goulburn Men's Shed have made an exciting donation to our school library this week. The rotating book display stand will be in action in 2013 and, as it can display books with their front cover showing, it will make choosing our library books even easier and more enjoyable. Our school community are very grateful to the Men's Shed for their generous donation.



Ian and Garry from the Men's Shed deliver their gift.



Deecon from 2-3D put the rotating display stand straight to work in his library lesson.





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