

The Wollondilly Wag

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Term 4 Week 8

Wednesday 26 November 2014

5/6T Making a Difference

After a great year in 5-6T, when so many students have gained some wonderful achievements, our thoughts turn to others and the idea of giving something back.

The Year 6 Fete is an example and the students have been working very hard to make this a success. The 5-6T students are also collecting their small change to buy a few items from the World Vision catalogue, that will benefit needy communities overseas.

This is a class project that helps to broaden our understanding of our global responsibility.

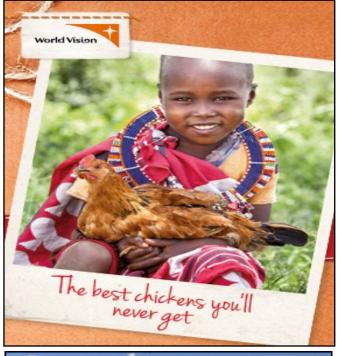
Ms Gail Tilley

Thank you

Wollondilly Public School would like to extend a very special "thank you" to the Growing Abilities-disability class at the TAFE. The group have been propagating plants throughout the year and recently donated a lovely selection of drought tolerant plants to be used in the school's "Garden of Friendship".

We are grateful for the kind contribution and look forward to caring for the plants in their new environment.







Mrs Raina Emerson (above) with students from 1W, admiring their handiwork, after planting out the donated seedlings. Great work, everybody!

The Growing Abilities class at TAFE Goulburn, photo left, thanks for the beautiful plants, which will thrive in Wollondilly's dry environment.







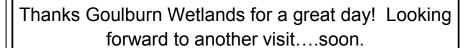




At the Wetlands with 1W

The students of 1W enjoyed their visit to the Goulburn Wetlands on Wednesday 12 November. 'Bug Watching' was a real highlight. Thank you to the parents who helped supervise small group on the day.

Miss Shelly Wright







Year 2 - Wetlands Visit - 19 November 2014









The next generation of budding scientists!





SCHOOL CALENDAR 2014 Dates for your Diary

	Term 4 2014
Week 8	Thursday 27 November - Year 6 Fete
Week 9	Tuesday 2 December - Mulwaree High School Music Visit for Years 3-6
Week 9	Wednesday 3 December - P & C Meeting 7.30 pm in the staffroom.
Week 9	Friday 5 December- 2014 Sports Presentation Assembly commencing at 2.00pm in the School Hall.
Week 10	Monday 8 December - K-2 Presentation Assembly commences at 5.30pm in the School Hall.
Week 10	Wednesday 10 December - 3-6 Presentation Assembly, commences 7pm in the School Hall.
Week 11	Tuesday 16 December - Year 6 Farewell Dinner at Goulburn Soldiers Club from 6pm to 9pm.

HOLIDAYS

December 18 to January 28

6C

6C is getting ready for our farewell dinner. We have been brushing up on our dancing skills. Some of us are looking forward to getting on the dance floor.

Mr Patrick Manning



It's not OK to be away It's not great to be late

A reminder that school commences at 9.25 am



PBPARADE

Positive Behaviour in the Classroom



3 PB Cards

Bill Eke KDH

6 PB Cards

Hannah Sturgiss 1W

Braydon Hedges 1W

12 PB Cards

Alex Tallis 2S

Zack Horwell 2S

Yalda Barakzay KDH

Abbey Saville KDH

Brock Cooper 1W

Hannah Sturgiss 1W

Daniel Dillon 1W

Anna Swift 2S

Blake Watson 2S

Nathan Morris KDH

Henry Leah 1W

Thomas Peacock 1W

Kate Walsh 1W

Rachel Baird 2C

Sophie Bollen Green 2C

18 PB Cards

Chloe Harrison 2S Grace Jones 2S Mary Hyland 2S **Daniel Bush 2S** Sara Jeffery 2S Nicholas Fuller 2S **Axel Wellings 2S Thomas Seaman 1W** Parnika Mani 5C **Bradley Winters 1W** Jared Murphy 5C Liam Carmichael KDH **Thomas Seaman 1W** Portia Leupin 1W Aylia Blay KAH **Alex Fuller KAH** Georgia Collins KAH Riley Smith KAH Milli Elford KAH **Edward Crutcher KAH Oliver Marriott KAH Violet Ottley KAH Karlie Collins 2C** Stella Davy 2C **Elliott Frazer 2C** Claire Hellessey 2C **Kal-el Marriott Boyden Moorby 2C** Nic Ottley 2C **Noah Smith 2C Angus Thomsen 2C Charlotte Taylor 2C Toby Klem 2C** Abbey Loader 4S **Ursula Kemmis 4S** Stella Goppert-Cole 4S



Sam Bell 4S

Purple STARRS Cards Positive Behaviour in the playground



Congratulations to the following students who are winners of the K-2 PB Card Canteen Voucher.

Jacob Dunn 1W, Ruby Pickwell KAH, Lochie Garner 2C, Lily Martin KDH

News from the School Office

P & C Reminder Family Portraits

Please remember to book for Family Portraits this week for Saturday 29 of November 2014 the photos make great Christmas presents.

Bookings can be made at the office and payment of \$20 needed when booking. The photo shoots will be taking place in the Library.

Thank you to everyone for supporting our Fundraising events.

Mrs Kylie Fennamore Wollondilly P & C President

Overdue Term Accounts

There is still a large number of Term accounts which require finalisation by the end of this month.

Payment will ensure that your child can participate in the end of year activities. Thanks

School Student Transport Scheme 2015

It is a Transport for NSW requirement that a new bus Application for Travel Form must be completed prior to **any child commencing year 3 in 2015**.

If your child is commencing Year 3 next year, please obtain a new application form, from the School Office. All boxes in Section 6 <u>must</u> be completed. Please return the form, back to the school as soon as possible. We will arrange to validate the form prior to the end of term 4. This will ensure that you receive the bus pass prior to the commencement of the new school year.

If your child is remaining in Year 2 in the new school year, please note this information in the "Information Update" section of the form and sign and return the form to the school office for processing.

School Administration

Kindergarten Enrolments 2015

Wollondilly Public School is still accepting Kindergarten enrolments for 2015 If you have a child who is turning 5 by 31 July 2015, please collect an enrolment form from the School Office. When you come to school to enrol your child please bring the following documents with you:

- * Proof of student's residential address (e.g. original copies of council rates notice, residential lease, electricity accounts, statutory declaration etc).
- Birth Certificate or identity documents
- Immunisation history statement
- Copies of any family law or other relevant court orders. (if applicable)

Please return any completed enrolment forms together with supporting documentation for processing to the School Office.

Thank you

School Administration









SAND ART WORKSHOP WITH PETER SWAIN

Last week, to coincide with the Parliament of NSW Aboriginal Art Prize 2013 6 November- 6 December, the Goulburn Art REGIONAL GALLERY hosted a workshop with local Aboriginal Artist Peter Swain.

Peter has been involved in Koori Culture Education and the Goulburn Correctional Facility Art Program in collaboration with the Goulburn Art REGIONAL GALLERY for many years. A group of students visited the gallery and participated in the workshop. The students learnt how to apply sand to a canvas to produce their own pieces of artwork. It was a very educational and fun experience!







Regional Art Gallery Trip

These students from 5C, (photo left), really enjoyed their trip the Regional Art Gallery and are now experts in sand art.

CRICKET WORKSHOPS IN 5C

Over the last weeks 5C and other classes throughout the school have participated in a series of cricket workshops in association with Cricket NSW.

We all enjoyed learning and improving on our catching, throwing and batting skills. See photos below



University of Wollongong Science Fair

In early November a group of students showed off their scientific talents at the University of Wollongong Science Fair.

We hope to participate again next year with all our budding scientists!





Quota Cops and Kids Program

Thanks Goulburn Quota Club members and Barbara Beard from Goulburn Police for providing our students with the Cops and Kids Program.

2N's Writing Goals

In class we set some individual writing goals. This gives us strategies to use to help improve our writing and the chart gives us a visual reminder of what we are working towards.

Mae's goal is to use correct punctuation in her writing. Jacob is learning to use capital letters where they belong.



Library news

Thank you to all the families who have supported book club it has been successful and the books are already here

We would also like to remind everyone that borrowing has stopped for the year and all books are now due back to the library.

Mrs Dunn and Miss Fennamore

Three weeks ago Kindergarten students went to the Canberra Zoo and Aquarium as part of the HSIE unit Meeting Needs. They learned how the needs of the animals are met by the staff at the Zoo. Kindergarten students had a fantastic time.



KDH and Emily and Natalie Sherwin lining up to feed Hummer the giraffe.



Mrs Appel helping to hold the snake.



Nicholas feeding Hummer the giraffe.



Jacob, Nathan and Sara waiting to feel the snake.



Cooking Up a Storm with 4F

4F have been working on procedural writing over the past two weeks. Students enjoyed cooking banana and choc chip muffins and are looking forward to making many more delicious treats with Mr Fagan.

Science Projects 4S

4S have been working on energy and movement this term. To finish off our unit, students were asked to make a poster showing the different kinds of simple machines used for work. Also, the students explained the concepts of gravity, friction, and effort on their posters.

Mr Thom Sherwin

Principals Report Week 8

With our new flagpoles now in place, Wollondilly Public School also has its own flag to proudly fly. Supporting our green and gold colours and displaying the Wollondilly symbol, the flag currently sits beside the NSW State flag and the Australian National flag. We also have a brand new Aboriginal flag which will be flown once we have a ceremony in early 2015.

Communication

Information between school and home is extremely important and a vital part of the successful running of our school community and as such we are always looking for ways to improve our current communication avenues.

In this week's newsletter we will be launching "Skoolbag" at Wollondilly Public School. This program is being trialled for the next 12 months in an effort to greatly improve our communication with our school community. This will take a few weeks to fully complete but the FREE app is downloadable now for your iphone; ipad or android device.

What is it?

"Skoolbag" provides schools with an easy way to tell parents/carers everything they need to know, and it provides parents with the most convenient way to receive school notifications.

No more lost paper in student school bags! School newsletters, school notices and alerts are communicated directly to the parent smartphone through the Skoolbag school Mobile App.

Skoolbag is school Mobile App that communicates directly with iPhone, and Android devices.

If you are a Parent and your school has Skoolbag, you can install the app on your phone or tablet device by following these instructions:

Skoolbag is a very flexible school mobile app and offers:

- * Unlimited free instant Push message Notifications (Push anything instantly)
- *Unlimited Push message categories for parents to subscribe to.
- * Alerts
- * Events
- * News
- * Newsletters
- *Information pages
- * Permission Notes

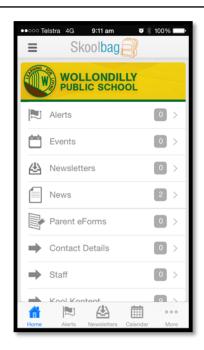


- * Links to website pages
- * Embedded PDF documents
- * Embedded Videos/Maps and GPS directions
- * Unlimited content Categories
- *RSS Feed and Google Calendar integration
- * Social Media sharing (Option for parents/students to

share app content on their own Facebook/Twitter feeds)

- * Website integration
- * Timetables
- * Reply by SMS and Email
- * Unlimited photo galleries
- * Parent eForms for Sick Note/Absent and Change of details.

Check it out at www.skoolbag.com.au



As you know, schools are very busy places at this time of the year. Talking to some friends recently was an interesting experience as they made a comment like,

"I guess you guys at school are winding down now!" I found it a bit hard to comment as I know just how hard everyone associated with our school community, are working. While we've still many things to plan, I'd just like to say thank you to everyone for their hard work. Here are some coming events over the next few weeks so please check out the calendar to keep up to date. Check these out on "Skoolbag"

Fete; Kinder orientation; Presentation evenings; Sports Presentation; Year 6 farewell; Reports; Talent quest; Christmas carols evening; Captains assembly and class parties just to name some.

Mrs Bradley has been relieving as the Principal of Koonawarra Public School all of this term. She will be returning to our school on Friday 5 December until the end of the year. Welcome back Mrs Bradley

Mr Steve Armstrong Relieving Principal