

# The Wollondilly Wag

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Term 2 Week 2

## What ANZAC Day Means to Me

On a dark, cold and stormy day, we could see the soldiers of the ANZACS still have the spirit of the war inside them. There was a crowd of people that seemed to be the whole population of Goulburn. There were soldiers, past and present, cadets, teachers, school students, and various organisations who attended the 2017 march and following ceremony.

We thanked the ANZAC soldiers for battling in the wars and coming to the ceremony. Laying the wreath with Kaitlyn to honour the ANZAC soldiers on behalf of Wollondilly was a great privilege. Also, a three-plane flyover went flying over the ceremony, which was exciting.

For those who did not come it was a fun and exciting event, we would love to see you next year to honour and remember these soldiers.

For me, a young boy from the Philippines who was not taught to celebrate and respect our armed services, I truly appreciated this event. So please stay safe this Term 2 and have a lovely time. May the ANZAC spirit be upon you all.

Sincerely Yours,  
**Paul Cabanas**  
School Captain



## Roobots



William and Mary Hyland, part of our very successful Roobots Team, arrived back at school this from America.

## School Gymnastics

In Term 2 **Class 5/6F** is enjoying gymnastics instruction. The coaches are helping students safely develop new skills.

School gymnastics commenced last week for all classes with teaches and students making very positive comments on the program.

Please ensure that your school term account has been finalised by **Friday 5 May**, this will enable your child to continue participating in school gymnastics.

Please contact the School Office, if you require assistance.

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## Principal's Report

Welcome to a new term and the exciting things that happen at Wollondilly Public School. Each day I am amazed by the wonderful activities that take place in our school run by our dedicated teaching staff. For example we have had 3 students in America for the **VEX Robotics Competition**, a talented team of netballers playing against other teams at Eastgrove and students representing the school in hockey and rugby league.

On Monday, 24 April all of the staff from Wollondilly Public School attended professional development along with other schools in the Southern Tablelands. It was an informative and enjoyable day.

I would like to thank the students and the teachers who marched with Wollondilly Public School on **ANZAC Day** and a large thank you to the parents who arranged for their children to march with us. The Year 6 leadership team ran a tremendous ANZAC service on Friday and the leaders together with 6B and Miss Bright need to be congratulated for their contribution to the service.

I would like to welcome 2 new staff members to our school. Mr Tom Friend on 3 /4 R and Mrs Alison Tyrrell on 1/ 2N *both passionate and enthusiastic additions to our staff. I would also like to welcome 8 new students and their families to our school, they have come from as far as Queensland, Sydney and Queanbeyan.*

I will this week be initiating a new award for the students called '**Student of the Week**' each stage team has been asked to nominate a child per week for recognition for their wonderful achievements in our school. The students will be in the newsletter, they will receive a certificate and I will ring each parent to let them know about the accomplishments their child has attained that week.

If you are interested in your child applying for Year 5 entry to an opportunity class in 2018, please apply online at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year5> or see the staff in the school office for an application form.

Finally a **very large thank you to all of the students, staff and parents who have made me feel so welcome** at Wollondilly Public School. It is a very special place and I hope we can work together to continue to provide a rigorous, engaging, and high-quality primary school experience for each and every child.

**Vicki Stokes**  
**Principal**

## Gilbert Croker Shield

On Wednesday the 29 March I was lucky enough to accompany our year 5/6 Rugby League team to the Gilbert Croker Shield Gala Day in Goulburn.

The boys played 4 games against other schools and worked hard enough to win their way into the grand final against Crookwell Public School. The boys were unlucky not to walk away with a win in the Grand Final but should be tremendously happy with their efforts to finish top of their pool for the day.

I was incredibly proud of not only the talent of the boys but also their sportsmanship and attitude towards the day.

A big thank you to all of the parents who transported students and helped on the day and to **Rod Latham for coaching and organising the team.**

**Miss Bright**





### Lost Property

Lost property..... our bins in the primary covered way and near the K-2 entrance doors, are overflowing with lost clothing, lunch boxes and an assortment of different drink bottles.

Please check the bins to make sure your child's clothing and items are not in there.

Eventually, these lost items will be cleaned and washed and placed in the clothing pool.

Please ensure that all items of clothing, drink bottles and lunch boxes are clearly labelled with your child's name.



### Year 4 Convict Excursion



I was at Sydney with my school. We were having an excursion. It's called the convict excursion. We slept at the Hyde Oak Barracks. We slept there for one night. I was scared at first but it was fun. My favourite part was the ferry, it was a bit of an old boat too. We got to see Captain James Cook's old ship. We got to see Luna Park and even on the top and underneath the Sydney Harbour Bridge and that was fun. My worst part was walking all day long.... I mean all day long!



The funniest part was when people fell asleep. Leigh (Mr Walsh) went around drawing on people's faces. The cool bit was when we saw the world's largest hand ball court and I adore handball.

It's one of my favourite things to do. So I had a good time and I was very excited to see my family.

**By Hannah Blay 4/5T**

### GRIP Leadership



On Friday the 31 of March a group of our school leaders attended the GRIP leadership conference. Throughout the day our leaders were able to interact and work with leaders from other schools. We were given the opportunity to participate in workshops that will help guide our leaders this year. Our students should be very proud of the mature and dedicated attitude they displayed throughout the day.

**Miss Bright**

	Dates for your Diary
<b>MAY TERM 2</b>	<b>2017</b>
Monday 1 Week 2	BOOK FAIR continues in the Library. Do some early Christmas shopping & support the school. Last day is Friday 5 May.
Wednesday 3 Week 2	P & C Meeting in the Staffroom at 7pm, all welcome to attend.
Friday 5 Week 2	3-6 Assembly in the school hall at 12.30pm. Hosted by 4/5T, all welcome to attend.
Thursday 11 Week 3	P & C Mothers' Day Stall
Friday 12 Week 3	K-2 Assembly in the school hall, commences 12.30pm, all welcome to attend. Hosted by
Monday 15 Week 4	<u>Wollondilly's Cross Country</u>
Wednesday 7 June	P & C Meeting in the Staffroom at 7pm, all welcome to attend.



Purple STARRS Cards Positive Behaviour in the playground



### 3 PB Cards

Shayla Williams KAB Taylor Swift KAB Austin Weatherstone KAB  
 Henry Banham KAB Mason Rudd KAB Tireece Nguyen KAB  
 Tazmin Lambert KAB Dean Chandler 1/2N Isaac Jones 1/2N  
 Emmett Marriott 1/2N Erin Winters 1/2N Isaac Ladmore-Sewell 1/2N  
 Alex Branson 1/2N Angelica Channell 1/2N



## AFTERNOON ART CLUB TERM 2 SHORT COURSES

\$10 PER CHILD, PER CLASS

For bookings please contact Sally Phone: 4823 4442.

Email: [artgallery@goulburn.nsw.gov.au](mailto:artgallery@goulburn.nsw.gov.au)



## 5 Cent Friday



5 Cent Friday is on again!

Friday the 5 May

Every class has the opportunity to win a fruit platter for fruit break on the following Friday.

One prize will be given for K-2 and another for 3-6. So start collecting your 5 cents pieces now and bring them in on Friday May 5.

Thank you Wollondilly P & C Association

### Changes to Making payments

Wollondilly Public School will transition to the new NSW Public Schools' finance system and a new bank account on **22 May 2017**.

To ensure a smooth transition, there will be changes to the way we accept payments from parents and carers.

**Parent Online Payments (POP), cash and cheque payments:** Between **17 May 2017** and **22 May 2017**, we will not be able to accept payments online or by cash or cheque as we prepare to close our current bank account and transition to the new one. Please ensure that you have made any outstanding payments before **17 May 2017**.

From **23 May 2017**, online (POP), cash and cheque payments will be accepted as before. Thank you for your patience and understanding as we transition to our new finance system. If you have any questions, please contact our School Administration Manager, Linda Murray on 4821 4496 or via email [wollondill-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:wollondill-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au)