



Crown Street Chronicle

Term 4 Week 5 Wednesday 14 November 2018

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CALENDAR

Wednesday	14 Nov	Kindergarten Orientation
Thursday	15 Nov	Mufti Day – Wear yellow, other bright colours or sunflowers to raise awareness for Congenital Diaphragmatic Hernia (CDA) Australia
Wednesday	21 Nov	Kindergarten Orientation
Friday	23 Nov	Market Day- Children are to bring a small amount of money to School to support the SRC and Stage 3
Tuesday	27 Nov	9.15am Kindergarten and Stage 1 Showcase in hall
Wednesday	28 Nov	Kindergarten Orientation
Wednesday	28 Nov	2.10pm Student Leader 2019 Speeches
Friday	30 Nov	Gala Day – Stage 2 and 3 students
Tuesday	4 Dec	High School Orientation (year 6 students attending a public high school)
Wednesday	5 Dec	P&C Mufti Day. Please donate goods for Christmas Hamper
Thursday	6 Dec	9.15am Stage 2 and Stage 3 Showcase in hall – please note date change
Thursday	6 Dec	7pm P&C Meeting – all welcome
Tuesday	11 Dec	Volunteer morning tea 11am in the Hall Scripture Christmas Assembly 11.50 in the Hall
Wednesday	12 Dec	9.15am Presentation Assembly
Wednesday	12 Dec	P&C Christmas Hamper drawn
Wednesday	12 Dec	Year 6 Farewell
Wednesday	19 Dec	Last day of school for 2018 for students

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear parents and carers,

We are off to the State Championships for Robotics!



Congratulations to our amazing Stage 3 robotics team who placed in the top six at the First Lego League Competition on Saturday. We are off to the State Championships in a fortnight. Our team won a trophy for "gracious professionalism" which is on display in our administration office. Congratulations to our fabulous team, the Wonders of Wollongong West, and to Mrs Kandilas. A very proud moment for our school!

Respectful, Responsible and Safe Learners

Principal: Michelle Barnes Crown Street, West Wollongong

Mufti Day – Tomorrow

Tomorrow, Thursday 15 November, our SRC are hosting a fundraising initiative to support CDH (Congenital Diaphragmatic Hernia) Australia. Students are invited to wear clothes that are coloured yellow, other bright colour or sunflowers to represent the foundation. All children are kindly asked to bring in a gold coin donation. All proceeds will go to CDH Australia.

Market Day

Our Stage 3 children and SRC are holding a Market Day next Friday 23 November. All children are asked to bring in a small amount of money to make small purchases and play games during lunch time. Please support our senior students and student leaders as they fundraise to support student led initiatives at our school.

Old Furniture

Our school is currently cleaning out old and unwanted furniture. These are currently in the loading zone of our driveway and I invite community members to come along and take free of charge any items that may be of use to families at home. Any furniture still in our driveway at school on Thursday morning will be donated to charity or disposed of.

Showcase Assemblies

This term our children will be showcasing their Term Four learning to our community. Our showcase assemblies will occur in our hall and all families are welcome to join us in this celebration. The Early Stage 1 and Stage 1 Showcase Assembly will be held on Tuesday 27 November at 9:15am Our Stage 2 and 3 Showcase Assembly will be held on Thursday 6 December at 9:15am (please note this change in date).

Outstanding Payments

Many families have outstanding invoices that are yet to be paid. These amounts must be paid as a matter of urgency. Please contact our office if you are experiencing difficulty meeting a payment.

Assisting Greenacres Support the Homeless Hub

Greenacres School Leaver's Employment Support Program are leading an exciting initiative. They are collecting cans of food to donate to the Homeless Hub Wollongong. All families are kindly asked to donate cans of food to support Greenacres in their initiative. A bin is located in our administration area where donations can be placed.

School Evaluation 2018 - Parent/Carer Survey

Our school regularly undertakes rigorous self evaluation. Evaluation processes empower our school to be in a state of continual improvement as we work towards providing the highest quality education for your child. All parents/carers are kindly invited to participate in our survey that evaluates the connectedness between learning at home and at school.

Please follow the link below to access our survey.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/8HCP5CX>

If you do not have access to a computer at home, please visit our office and we will provide a device for your use at school.

P & C Halloween Disco

Thank you to our P & C for hosting a fabulous disco for Halloween. A lot of fun was had by all!

Kind Regards,
Michelle Barnes
Principal



Film by the Coast

On Wednesday 7 November, Stage 2 travelled to Anita's Theatre Thirroul to attend the Film by the Coast film festival. The festival showcased the visual literacy and film making talents of students from around the Illawarra from Kindergarten to Year 6. The students from Wollongong West thoroughly enjoyed the festival, as it showed them how to embrace the creativity and technical components of producing their own film. It has inspired the students to make their very own films for next year's festival. Thank you to Miss Kandilas, Mrs Swainson, Miss Bormann, Mrs Carnevale and Mrs Bormann for accompanying the budding movie stars, producers and directors!



First Lego League Wollongong regional competition



On Saturday 10 November, the Stage 3 enrichment class, also known as the Wonders of Wollongong West, competed in the First Lego League Wollongong regional robotics competition at The Illawarra Grammar School (TIGS). As part of the competition, students build, program and compete with a robot, while also learning about a modern problem in science and engineering and developing solutions for it.

The Wonders of Wollongong West have successfully placed in the top 6 and progressed to the state championships, which are to be held on Saturday 24 November at St Mary's Star of the Sea College in Wollongong. This is a wonderful achievement for a team which is largely made up of rookie members. On top of this, the team also won the award for Gracious Professionalism! Our team was recognised for demonstrating high-quality work, emphasising the value of others, and respecting individuals and the community.

This incredible achievement would not have been possible without the help of many people: the hardworking WOWW team, Hennary, Ruth, Damian, Lily, Deep, Pasha, Tanay, Hesali, Sarah and Campbell; Miss Kandilas, the team coach; Andrew, Lyndell, Isaac and Faith Clarke - our mentors from Project Bucephalus; and all the teachers, parents and carers who have supported the team along the way—thank you! See you at state!

Stage 3 Canberra Camp

Students from stage 3 have recently undertaken an educational tour of the national capital, Canberra. Students were given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy.



Students had a busy schedule over the 3 days. They visited old and new Parliament House, Questacon, the National Museum, the National Capital Exhibition, the War Memorial, the Australian Institute of Sport, Telstra Tower, the Australian Electoral Commission and had a boat cruise on Lake Burley Griffin.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. The Australian Government contributed funding of \$20 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program. This assisted families by reducing the final cost of the excursion. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion and then passed on to the tour operators. We are grateful to the Australian Government for their support as the children had a wonderful time and learnt a lot along the way.

We would like to congratulate the stage 3 children on their exemplary behaviour throughout the excursion.

Mrs Hickey and Mr Bell



Mascot Competition

We are very excited to give the students at Wollongong West the opportunity to design a school mascot that embodies the school values and what Wollongong West is all about.

So get your thinking caps on and be creative and design a mascot. You might want to research local schools in the area as we don't want to have the same as neighbouring schools.

Once you have decided on a design we would like you to explain to us why you have chosen this design for our school. Keeping in mind how does this mascot embody the schools values and what Wollongong West is all about.

Please return the form which was given out last week to the office by the end of week 5 so Miss Hopper and the Wellbeing Team can go through all the fabulous entries.

Captains and Vice Captains for 2019

All Year 5 students who would like to nominate for the position of Captain and Vice-captain completed a written task on Tuesday. Students were asked to address why he/she would be a suitable candidate for the positions of Captain and Vice-captain. Our teachers and school executive will read the student responses and assess candidate suitability using a specific selection criteria. Six female and six male students will be selected to continue through to the next stage of the process.

The next stage will involve the selected students preparing and presenting a two minute speech to our school that addresses why they would be a suitable candidate for the positions of Captain and Vice-captain. Speeches will be presented on Wednesday 28 November at 2:10pm. The student and teacher body of our school will then vote to determine the successful candidates.

Successful candidates will be inducted and presented with their badges at our Presentation Assembly on Wednesday 7 December at 9:15am.

Please contact Miss Stephanie Hopper or Mrs Barnes with any questions regarding this fair and transparent process for the selection of our 2019 student leaders

The Fathering Project Event

Our school has recently become involved with a not for profit organisation called, 'The Fathering Project'. Originating from the University of Western Australia, their aim is to inspire and equip fathers and father figures to engage with their kids. Being a keen parent myself, who is always looking for ways to do better with my own kids, I am hoping to bring their work into our school community.

Our first step will be to hold a father-kid fun day on **FRIDAY November 23 at 9am**. That's **Friday of Week 6, Term 4 at 9am**. We will have events and activities set up for everyone; all you need to do is show up and have fun with your kids for 45 minutes. It would be amazing to **get as many dads there as possible**.

** Dads, grandfathers, uncles, other father figures are all welcome. Even mums are encouraged to come along and enjoy the fun. Families come in all shapes and sizes, so while I am actively trying to get dads involved, of course anyone from your family is welcome to come and join in.

Miss Stephanie Hopper Assistant Principal

Halloween School Disco

The children had a wonderful time at the Halloween Disco and looked fantastic in their costumes. We received positive feedback about the new time being straight after school and will consider this for next year. Thank you to the volunteers and to all the parents for helping out with the costumes and sending in lollies for Halloween treats.

Tea Towel Fundraiser

I am so excited! Our unique design has been created and it looks amazing. The tea towels are available to purchase for \$15.00 each. They will make a beautiful and unique keepsake and a perfect gift for Christmas. Tea Towels can be ordered by completing the order form sent home and returning it together with payment to the office by **this Friday 16th November**. We apologise for the short notice but need to give the company numbers for printing to ensure we receive them before the end of the term. Please make sure that you return the order form to the office in an envelope clearly marked "TEA TOWEL ORDER".

Christmas Hamper Raffle

A mufti day will be held on Wednesday 5th December. Children are asked to bring in items to donate to our Christmas Hampers. Raffle ticket books of ten will go home to families soon. Tickets will be \$1.00 each. Please donate the following items or similar:

KD - Packets of Biscuits sweet or savory

KF - Bags or boxes of chips

1/3B - Pouring custard (not from the fridge)

1/2H – Boxes or packets of chocolates (NO NUTS)

1/2M – Tins of food/fruit

3/4K – Christmas decorations or small gifts

3/4S – Bags of lollies

5/6H – Bottles of soft drink

5/6M – Christmas cake or puddings

The raffle will be drawn at the conclusion of our Presentation Assembly on Wednesday 12th December.

Our last P & C Meeting of the year will be held on Thursday 6th December 6:00 pm at Red Dog On the Green, Figtree. All are welcome to attend. Please contact the P & C via our Facebook page or email wollongongwestpac@gmail.com to make a reservation.

Warm regards,
Tanya

OFFICE NEWS

Unpaid Student Fees

Please check student bags for statement of accounts. They have been reissued again this week. Accounts are sent home only to those who have unpaid fees.

Payments still remain outstanding for the year 2018. The Voluntary contribution is an annual fee given to all families to aid in enhancing school programs. Whilst it is not compulsory, payment is encouraged.

We appreciate your immediate attention to this.

Office Mail Box

Please encourage your children to place all notes and money in the mailbox first thing in the morning.

Lost Property

The end of the year is drawing near and the amount of lost property items is growing. Let us encourage you to come in and have a look if any items belong to your child.

Impromptu Meeting

Whilst we have an open door policy at our school and happily welcome parents and families to call in and visit, it is always best practice to phone us first if you are wishing to speak to or meet with any member of staff.

WE'RE ON OUR WAY TO BEING GREAT
Healthy School Canteens

GREAT THINGS ARE HAPPENING IN OUR SCHOOL CANTEEN

What is happening

There is a new NSW Healthy School Canteen Strategy and our school canteen is working towards supporting and achieving this strategy by the start of 2020.

The NSW Government's strategy aims to promote health and well-being of your child in all government primary and high schools, by providing healthier food and drink choices to encourage healthy growth and development.

What you may notice

- Introducing and removing of menu items during the transition to meet the new School Canteen Strategy.
- Promotion of healthier food and drink choices.
- Changes to portion size.
- Elimination of sugary drinks and confectionery.

Please continue to support your school canteen during this period of change. Volunteers are always welcome and if you are interested please contact our canteen manager.

For more information on the NSW Healthy School Canteen Strategy please visit the website
<https://healthyschoolcanteens.nsw.gov.au>

This school is aware that some students have allergies. Please avoid the use of peanuts, peanut butter or other peanut products

How to help keep SCHOOLMATES who have FOOD ALLERGIES safe

- 1** Don't share your food with friends who have food allergies. 
- 2** Don't forget to wash your hands after eating. 
- 3** Know what your friends are allergic to. 


- 4** If a schoolmate who has allergies becomes sick, get help straight away. (Even if they don't want you to.) 

For more information about Food Allergies contact: 1300 728 000 or visit allergyfacts.org.au

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<p>LITTLE LEARNING LABS (FOR YEARS 1 & 2 DURING 2018)</p> <p>WHEN: 7 and 8 January, 2019 WHERE: University of Wollongong TIME: 9:00am - 2:00pm FEE: \$155</p> <p>LITTLE MINI-LABS (FOR YEARS 1 & 2 DURING 2018)</p> <p>WHEN: 9 January, 2019 FEE: \$85 Location and times are the same as above</p>
<p>EARLY LEARNING LABS (FOR YEARS 3 TO 6 DURING 2018)</p> <p>WHEN: 15 and 16 January, 2019 WHERE: University of Wollongong TIME: 9:00am - 3:30pm FEE: \$165</p> <p>EARLY MINI-LABS (FOR YEARS 1 & 2 DURING 2018)</p> <p>WHEN: 17 January, 2019 FEE: \$90 Location and times are the same as above</p>



PROGRAM INFORMATION

Little and Early Learning Labs is an enrichment program designed for students who are excelling in their area of interest within their year group, and are seeking a challenging and fun experience during the school holidays. All workshops are held over one (mini-labs) or two days, and are presented by teachers with specialist training or a specific interest in gifted education. There will be sponsorship places available for some participants- please see more details on how to apply for these places on the website.

WORKSHOPS ON OFFER- FULL LIST & WORKSHOP DESCRIPTIONS ONLINE

Learning Labs workshops cover a range of diverse and innovative disciplines that are designed to challenge and stimulate the interest of self-motivated and curious learners. Here are some examples of what's coming up in January:



Welcome to Hogwarts
Professor Dumbledore and the other professors at Hogwarts invite you to spend two days with us taking part in a wide variety of Special Lessons. There will be classes in Transfiguration, Potions & Charms and Herbology as well as a sorting hat ceremony!



Masters of Minecraft
Develop your understanding and fluency in maker skills through the creative and building aspects of Minecraft, which enables you to build constructions in a 3D-generated world. Learn problem-solving and mathematical techniques to help you take your first steps into game design and development concepts.



Introducing Physics
Why is the sky blue? Why does the moon change shape? What's the difference between heat and cold? These are all questions that physics can answer! Explore forces, energy, electricity, sound and heaps more in this hands-on workshop.



E-Textiles: Flashy Fashion
Combine traditional sewing techniques and textiles with electronics and coding, to create a diverse range of interactive textile items such as a dress that glows and twinkles, or a shirt that can play a musical tune!

A full list of the available workshops to choose from will be posted on the website in October 2018 when applications open. Please note that the program books up quite quickly, so ensure you submit your application as early as possible.

APPLICATION & CONTACT DETAILS

For more detailed workshop descriptions, how to apply, FAQ's, and the online application form, please go to: uow.info/learninglabs

For all other enquiries, please contact the Learning Labs team via:
E: learning-labs@uow.edu.au P: (02) 4221 5557 Facebook: www.facebook.com/UOWOandP

APPLICATIONS CLOSE TUESDAY, 6 NOVEMBER 2018

Learning Labs
JANUARY 2019

UNIVERSITY OF WOLLONGONG AUSTRALIA
Outreach & Pathways

AN ACADEMIC ENRICHMENT PROGRAM FOR STUDENTS FROM YEAR 1 TO YEAR 6

More information about the workshops on offer and the application process can be found online at uow.info/learninglabs

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CDH
Australia



MUFTI DAY
THURSDAY
15 NOVEMBER

WEAR YELLOW OR
SUNFLOWERS TO SCHOOL TO
SUPPORT FAMILIES
AFFECTED BY CDH



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West Wollongong Public School Drawing Classes

Art Class Day & Time

9 x Wednesdays Term 4 week 2 11:10 to 11:45am \$84.00 AUD

[Add to Cart](#)

This class focuses on developing drawing skills in charcoal and soft pastels.

Location: New Art Room
down from office
Start date: 24/10/18 Term 4, week 2-10
Wednesdays
35 mins
Wed 11:10am - 11:45am
\$9 per class

Plus PayPal fee
Ages 6 and up
BYO art materials



DATE:
11 November 2018

TIME:
9.00am Registration
10.00am Start

LOCATION:
Beaton Park
Leisure Centre
(Athletics Track)
Foley Street
Gwynneville

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**Not only a
Toucan can
but you
can too!**



**Help Tony Toucan
bring Christmas cheer
to Wollongong's homeless citizens.**

This year a dedicated team of young people from the Greenacres School Leavers Employment Support program are collecting cans for the Homeless Hub Wollongong.

We have a goal of providing 100 food hampers to people living rough on our streets this year. Our mission is to bring a little Christmas joy and cheer to people doing it tough at a time when we should all be celebrating.

Please Join us in our 2 Cans for Christmas Campaign.

By donating 2 cans of any food product we can make a difference to the lives of so many.

Ask about how to donate at the reception where you see this sign.

