



Crown Street Chronicle

Term 1 Week 3 Wednesday 13 February 2019

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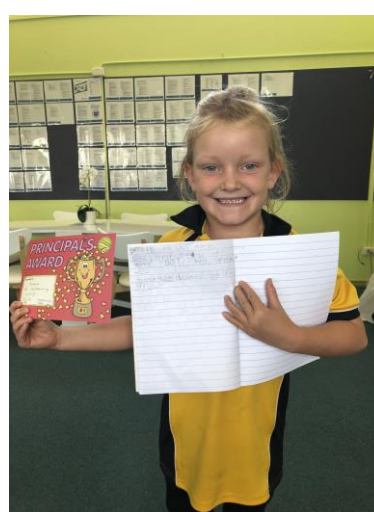
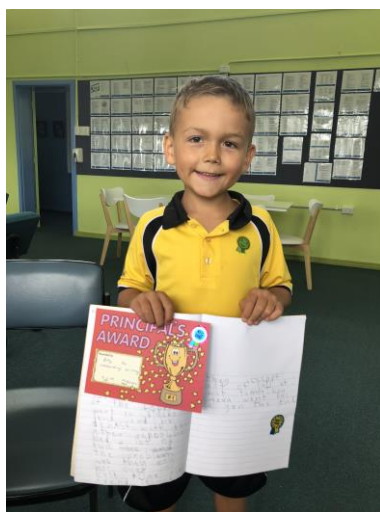
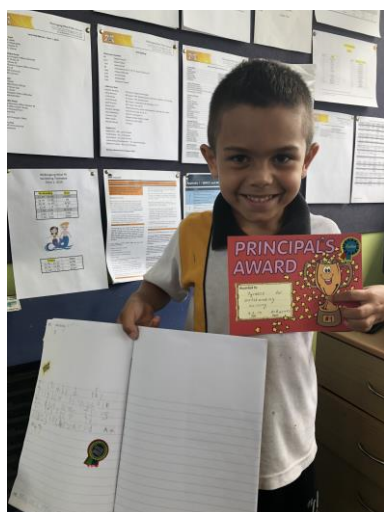
CALENDAR

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| Thursday | 14 Feb | 3.15 pm Meet the Teacher 1/2H and 2B 3.45pm Meet the Teacher 5/6B and 5/6H |
| Friday | 15 Feb | Welcome BBQ and Camp Out |
| Tuesday | 19 Feb | 3.15 pm Meet the Teacher 3/4B |
| Friday | 22 Feb | Central Wollongong District Swimming Carnival |
| Monday | 25 Feb | Stage 3 Debating Excursion |
| Thursday | 7 March | 7pm P&C Meeting |
| Tuesday | 19 March | Harmony Day |
| Wed-Mon | 20-25 March | Life Education |
| Thurs-Fri | 21-22 March | Stage 3 Camp |
| Thursday | 28 March | P&C Easter Mufti Day |
| Thursday | 4 April | 7pm P&C Meeting |
| Thursday | 11 April | P&C Easter Raffle |

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

A Wonderful Start to the School Year

We have enjoyed a very settled, calm and smooth start to the school year. It has been an absolute joy to see our children, happy, thriving and learning each day. It has been particularly lovely to have welcomed our new kindergarten children and their families to our school in the past fortnight.



Check out our STAR writers!

Respectful, Responsible and Safe Learners

Principal: Michelle Barnes Crown Street, West Wollongong

Student Leaders 2019

Yesterday, we held our induction for our 2019 school leaders. What an exciting year it will be with such fine and responsible leaders at our school! Congratulations to our following students who were elected by their peers into these important leadership positions.

Student Representative Council

Captains: Jacob, Natalia, Campbell, Lily

5/6B: Chanae, Emily

5/6H: James, Josephine

4/5H: Xavier, Travis

3/4M: Ben, Talarah

2B: Hunter, Myla

1/2H: Isobel, Edward

K/1C: Brandon, Phoebe

Sporting Leaders

Narara

Captains: Ava, Ashton

Vice captains: Caitlyn, Mohamd

Booroo

Captains: Ella , Jonah

Vice Captains: Gabriella, Levi

Dinewan:

Captains: Xanthe, Ryan

Vice Captains: Stella, Miles

Welcome BBQ and Camp Out

This Friday evening our P & C will be hosting a Welcome BBQ in our lower playground, followed by a camp out on our top oval. This evening is a lovely way that we can welcome new families to our community and celebrate the start of a new school year. The BBQ will commence at 5pm. There will be a free sausage sizzle. Families are also asked to bring along a share plate (no nut products please). I hope many families can join us for this special evening.

Family Volunteers

All family members who are volunteering at our school in 2019, including those parents/carers assisting our younger children with changing for swimming lessons, must complete the annual Working with Children Check through our office. This involves presenting 100 points of identification and signing a declaration. This check is a mandatory requirement of the Department of Education and must be completed each year.

All volunteers must visit our office upon arrival at our school to sign-in and collect a visitor's badge.

We greatly appreciate the contributions of our family volunteers and I thank our entire community for your assistance in keeping our children happy, safe and healthy.

Ethics Classes

Our school is currently seeking to provide Ethics classes K-6 during the Scripture/Religious Education timeslot, as an option for those students currently attending non-Scripture classes. At this stage, we are only able to offer Ethics classes for our Stage 2 students. The Ethics curriculum is available for children from Kindergarten through to Year 6. Ethics classes are discussion based, covering a range of age-appropriate topics. Children learn to express their own views as well as to listen carefully to, and consider, the views of others. Ethics classes are delivered by trained volunteers using approved lesson materials. Volunteers are parents/carers from the school community including:

- Ethics teachers who deliver classes each week
- An Ethics coordinator who recruits and supports volunteer teachers and liaises with the school to organise classes.

Our school is currently seeking volunteers to fill these roles. If you are interested in volunteering as an Ethics teacher or Ethics coordinator for our school in 2019 or would like further information, please contact Mrs Nadine Farmer on 4229 2096 or in person in our office.

Expertise in our Parent Body

Our school is seeking expertise in our parent body that could be used to support educational programs at our school. If you have a particular skill, interest or passion that you would like to share please let our office know.

Have a lovely fortnight.

Kind regards,

Michelle Barnes

School swimming carnival

Congratulations to our students aged 8 years and over who participated in the school swimming carnival. There were 3 lap and 1 lap events, with guided swimming for beginnings. Students encouraged and happily cheered for each other in their sport houses: *Booro* (Kangaroo), *Dinewan* (Emu) and *Narara* (Snake).

Children who completed the 3 lap events have qualified to attend the trial carnival at the Western Suburbs Pool in Unanderra on Friday, 8 February.



Trial swimming carnival

Congratulations to our students who participated in the trial swimming carnival at the Western Suburbs Pool in Unanderra on Friday, 8 February. Students swam in 50 metre, 100 metre and medley events. Thank you to all parents who supported our team and assisted with timekeeping – your help was greatly appreciated.

Children who qualify will attend the district carnival at the Western Suburbs Pool in Unanderra on Friday, 22 February.

Please contact Mrs Hickey if you have any questions.



School Band Update

Welcome to another exciting year of music and band lessons!!

Lessons will begin in the next 2-3 weeks, once dates are confirmed with our teachers from the Conservatorium of Music and after all Term 1 student fees have been paid. Term 1 fees also include any instrument hire fees. Students will be invoiced shortly, once the official dates have been settled. We are hoping for a Week 5 start so parents/carers please consider this when making your payments to the office.

I am looking forward to a great start to band this year!

Miss Bormann
Band Co-ordinator

Interrelate evening

On Thursday 14 March our school will be holding two information sessions for families of children in Years 3-6. The sessions provide relationship education in an open, sensitive, non-discriminatory and non confrontational manner. Parents are invited to attend these sessions with their child. The two sessions are:

1. Where did I come from? at 6pm (for children in Years 3 - 4)
2. Preparing for Puberty at 7:15pm (for children in Years 3 - 6)

Please see the attached flyer for further information.

Got It! will be in Wollongong West PS during Term 2.



Got It! is a school based early intervention program provided by specialist Child and Adolescent Mental Health teams in partnership with schools.

During Term 2, The *Got It!* team will be running a 10 week program for children in Kindergarten to Year 2 (aged 5-8 years), and their parents, who may be experiencing problems with challenging and disruptive behaviour at home or at school.

Got It! aims to provide support and practical help to children, their families, and school community in order to help children get the most out of the opportunities available to them.

At the end of last year and the beginning of this year questionnaires were sent home to all parents regarding the *Got It!* Program. These questionnaires are due back at school by Friday this week.

If you have any further questions please see Mrs Risi.

Book Club

Our school is participating in Book Club again this year. Twice each term the Book Club catalogue will be sent home with a selection of books offered for all ages. You'll find award-winning books and bestsellers, as well as old and new favourites. The books span a wide range of children's reading levels and interests and are inexpensive.

It is very easy to order through Book Club. The Book Club LOOP platform for parents allow you to pay by credit card. Your child's order is submitted directly to school and the books are delivered to class. You can place your children's order at [scholastic.com.au/loop](https://www.scholastic.com.au/loop) or by using the LOOP app, which can be downloaded from the APP Store or Google Play. Alternatively, you can send the order sheet along with the correct money into the office by the due date.

I encourage you to order books for your children. There is no better way to encourage reading than to allow children to choose the books they want to own and read. I am more than happy to keep books a secret if you would like to order something for a present. Please just add a note to the order and I will contact you when the books arrive at school to pick them up. Your child will not know about the order.

Book Club catalogues were given out last week. If your child did not receive one please see the office.

Issue 1 orders due in by Friday 18 February.

Please come and see me if you have any questions.

Nadine Risi

Book Club organiser

Wollongong High School of the Performing Arts

The audition application for entry into Wollongong High School of the Performing Arts is now available online only, on the WHSPA website.

Auditions will be held from Monday 25th March to Friday 12th April, the last 3 weeks of Term 1.

Thank you

Cash Payments

Please ensure you have the correct money when making cash payments to the office. We are not permitted to carry large amounts of money and therefore are unable to provide change. We appreciate your efforts.

Office Mail Box

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

Labeling Children's Property

Please label all children's items clearly, including clothing, lunch boxes, and drink bottles to help us return items to their owner if they are misplaced.

Change of Clothes

A change of clothing is recommended in school bags for all students. Falling in puddles and toileting accidents can happen from time to time. We are unable to provide a change of clothes to suit all sizes. Your attention to this is much appreciated.

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.

'Star Of The Week'

Our team in administration would like to acknowledge good manners, random acts of kindness and the display of our school values in the office space. Our 'Star of the Week' will have their photo displayed on the office front counter for the entire week, will be acknowledge in our Newsletter and will be given 3 WOW tickets to add to the WOW meter. Our first 'Star of the Week' will be announced at the school assembly each Monday.

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



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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Overview & session outline

Session 1: Where did I come from? (Years 3 & 4)

Objectives

- To help children aged 8-10 years gain an understanding of the structure and functions of the reproductive system in males and females.
- To provide information on conception (describing sexual intercourse, associated with love in the context of a caring relationship), foetal development and birth of a baby.
- To provide opportunities for parents and children to discuss various aspects of reproduction in an informal way.
- To reinforce the role of parents as a source of information on matters pertaining to sexuality and reproduction.

Content

- Introduction
- Family structure and family relationships
- Male/female babies – which is which?
- Protective behaviours
- Male/female reproductive systems
- Sexual intercourse & conception including assisted
- Foetal development
- Twin explanation
- Birth
- Conclusion

Session 2: Preparing for Puberty (Years 5 & 6) (Years 3 & 4 at parent's/guardian's discretion)

Objectives

- To provide information on puberty for 10-13 year olds, in relation to the physical changes and emotional changes (in particular, helping them feel comfortable about their bodies and its functions; preparing them for the changes during puberty and dispelling the myths and providing accurate, understandable information).
- To help young people feel okay about being different. Everyone develops at a different rate, especially during puberty.
- To confirm their individuality and promote self-esteem.
- To facilitate communication between parents and their children and encourage young people to take their questions, problems and concerns to their parents.

Content

- Introduction
- Revision of Session 1
- How, why and when of puberty
- Physical and emotional changes to both boys and girls
- Changes to boys only
- Changes to girls only
- Why are these changes happening?
- Conclusion

Cost: \$32 (incl. GST) per family to attend one session
\$37 (incl. GST) per family to attend both sessions

Includes an Interrelate Educator

Please Note: A minimum charge of \$590 per school (\$649 incl.GST) applies where attendance numbers do not meet or exceed this amount. This charge covers both sessions.

Tel: (02) 8882 7875 • schoolservicesnsw@interrelate.org.au • www.interrelate.org.au

Welcome **BBQ** and **Big Camp Out!**



The P&C would like to invite new and existing families from our school community to attend our Welcome BBQ and Camp Out for 2019!

This is a great opportunity for us to welcome new families and feel part of the community. A free sausage sizzle is provided, but we would also like to encourage families to bring a share plate.

Friday 15th February 2019

Welcome BBQ commencing at 5pm

Camp Out set up windows 4pm to 5pm & 7pm to 8pm.



What to bring to the Welcome BBQ:

Share plate (if desire) and serving spoons
NO ALCOHOL permitted



What to bring to the Big Camp Out:

Tent, swag, air bed, sleeping bags etc
Torches
Marshmallows 😊
Tent decorations
Food, drinks snacks
NO ALCOHOL permitted

Any questions about the Welcome BBQ or Big Camp Out please contact the school on 4229 2096, or message the P&C Facebook www.facebook.com/wollongongwestpandc

THIS IS NOT A SUPERVISED EVENT.

Each child, family or group of children attending must be accompanied by a Supervising Adult for the whole evening/overnight. If your children are attending with another family, YOU MUST PROVIDE their name and contact number below and return to the office prior to the event



School Art Classes

New and returning students welcome!

Im a Registered NSW Creative Kids Provider. You can redeem your free \$100 voucher.

This class will focus on developing your child's skills in drawing and soft pastels.

We will be drawing creative landscapes, still lifes, cute animals, and portraits.



Location:

Wollongong West Public School
Art room - a few doors down from
the administration office

Time:

Wednesdays 11:00am-11:30am

Cost:

\$9 per class

Start date:

Wednesday 27th February Term 1, week 5

Bookings:

Please book here:

www.voart.com.au/voart/Classes.html

Contact:

Artist Violetta Strabic

E: Info@voart.com.au

M: 0435 036 471

www.Voart.com.au

www.facebook.com/Voart

Materials:

A3 sketch pad, soft pastels, willow charcoal
sticks, ruler, kneadable artists eraser,
colour pencils and hairspray.



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Principal: Michelle Barnes Crown Street, West Wollongong

LEARN TO SWIM

FREE CLASSES

WOMEN ONLY

HEATED, COVERED POOL

THURSDAY'S 10.45—12.15 FOR 10 WEEKS

PLACES FOR 20 WOMEN ONLY

MEET AT WOLLONGONG WEST PUBLIC SCHOOL
COMMUNITY HUB

AT 10.30AM THURSDAY 21ST FEBRUARY

(ENTER FROM PHILLIP STREET AND
FOLLOW THE YELLOW FOOTPRINTS)

WOMAN WITH CHILDREN WELCOME

PLEASE CONTACT MAREE TO BOOK YOUR PLACE
0409 717 877

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للنساء فقط

بركة سباحة مغطى و مدفأة

كل يوم خميس من الساعة 10.45—12.15

لمدة عشرة اسابيع

أماكن محدودة لعشرون شخص فقط

سنلتقي بالمدرسة

WOLLONGONG WEST PUBLIC SCHOOL
COMMUNITY HUB

على الساعة العاشرة والنصف المرافق يوم الخميس 21/2/2019

الرجاء إستخدام شارع

PHILLIP STREET

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