



Wyalong Public School

At Wyalong Public School students, staff and the community are respectful, responsible and resilient learners. We have high expectations of ourselves and others. We are life-long learners and responsible citizens.

Everyone is someone at Wyalong Public School!

Week 7 Term 1

11th March 2024

Western Swimming

Tomorrow Elsie Crowe, Farley T, Abbey Crowe, Rorie Nicholson and Dustin Nicholson will represent the Lower Lachlan swimming team at the Western Region Swimming Carnival in Dubbo. We wish the students all the best as they swim for a place in the Western Region team.



Western Region Basketball Selections

On Friday Summer, Abbey, Rorie, Lily, Aleyah and Max travelled to Bathurst to participate in the Western Region Basketball trials. All students demonstrated outstanding skills and sportsmanship.

Congratulations to Summer for making the girls team and Abbey for being named a reserve. Summer will participate in the NSW PSSA Basketball Championships later next term in Newcastle.



NAPLAN

The NAPLAN test window starts on Wednesday, 13th March, and finishes on Monday 25th March for all Year 3 and Year 5 students across Australia. All tests will be completed online except the Year 3 writing, which will be pencil and paper format. The dates we plan to complete the Year 3 and 5 NAPLAN tests are as follows:

- Wednesday 13th March – writing
- Thursday 14th March – Reading
- Tuesday 19th March – Language and Conventions
- Wednesday 20th March – Numeracy

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact the school.



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Zoomobile Incursion

As you know, this term students have been learning about living things in English and science. As a part of this learning, we have the Taronga Zoo's Zoomobile visiting us at Topsy Hall on Friday 22nd March. This incursion brings a hands-on learning experience right to our students without visiting the zoo. The zoomobile provides the opportunity to meet some of our native animals whilst learning about the role of wildlife in the environment. Students will walk to the Hall. Later this week a note will go out via the portal with further information and the cost.

Meal Deal

On Thursday 21st March there will be no canteen, however, the Year 6 students are organising a \$7 meal deal. This day will coincide with Harmony Day, so the Year 6 students are going to try and bring that theme into their cupcakes. Order forms will go out later this week.

A reminder that canteen can be ordered through the parent portal app, as long as it is before 2pm on Tuesday. Please note, that the canteen and uniform functions are managed by the P&C.

Ride to School Day

This term the students have been working towards Ride to School with their Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) tokens. Tokens are awarded to students who follow our values; responsible, respectful and resilient. The students are very close to achieving this goal! So can we please encourage you all to start checking bike tyres, brakes and helmets. The date will be confirmed later this week.

Bulb Fundraiser

Our School Representative Council (SRC) are holding a bulb fundraiser. Choose from a variety of bulbs and add a pop of COLOUR to your garden. Catalogues and order forms went home last week. Spare catalogues for family and friends can be picked up from the front office. Online orders will be available.

Have a wonderful week!

Kylie Taylor
Principal

What's Happening

Swimming For Sport
Tuesday 12th March

NAPLAN
13th March – 25th March

ZOOMOBILE
22nd March

Easter Hat Parade
Thursday 28th March

Easter Holiday
Good Friday 29th March
Easter Monday 1st April

Cross Country
Wednesday 3rd April

Netball Gala Day
Thursday 11th April

Last day of Term 1
Friday 12th April

First day of Term 2
Tuesday 30th April



The P&C will be selling Easter raffle tickets out the front of Bernardi's supermarket again this Friday, 15th March. If you can spare an hour to help, please let Shanay Imrie know or phone the office and a roster will be created.

Fruit Break and Breakfast Club

Every day at around 10:15am, students can eat a piece of fruit or vegetable. Please note, it is simply fruit, vegetable or water. We encourage all students to pack a piece of fruit or vegetable in their lunch box each day.



We have also started up **breakfast club**. Students can have cereal (weet-bix, cornflakes or sultana bran) or toast. We have gluten free and vegan options available too. It is available until 8:50am.



Happy, healthy role models

Parents and carers can be great role models for children's eating habits.

Why not try the following ideas:

- Pack your own lunchbox full of everyday foods while your child packs theirs
- Discuss the everyday foods you like to pack in the lunchbox and why you like them
- Do some taste testing of everyday foods such as vegetables and fruit



School success starts
with attendance

ASSEMBLY

Darcy Bunt for being a responsible student at all times.

Navy Stokes for looking after her belongings without being reminded.

Dustin Nicholson for demonstrating dedication and commitment towards the chook and her chickens.

Nate Pettit for demonstrating dedication and commitment towards the chook and her chickens.

Max Taylor for taking ownership of his learning and understanding hard work leads to success.

Elijah Pettit for demonstrating respectful behaviour.

Indie Elloy for respectfully waiting her turn to talk during class discussions.

Farley for demonstrating a mature attitude when answering questions and sharing her ideas with others.

Lillie Read for always being respectful to others and using her class time effectively.

Archie Pratt for demonstrating a resilient attitude when accepting feedback.

Everleigh Stephenson for concentrating hard to improve her letter formation.

Jake Weeks for approaching all tasks with enthusiasm and producing quality work when focused.

Calab West for using feedback effectively to improve his writing.

Tully Hutchins for consistently demonstrating all PBL values.

Pippa Dore for always being in the right place at the right time, ready to learn.

Iyah Pettit for always following our PBL values and being a fantastic role model for her peers.

Rorie Nicholson for being a fantastic role model and always trying her best in all areas.



Author Visit

On Wednesday Dub Leffler, illustrator, writer, animator and mixed media artist, visited our school. His award-winning bestseller picture book *Once There Was A Boy* (2011) received international recognition, was acquired by the Library of Congress and was featured several times at the Bologna Children's Book Fair. He was also the illustrator for the award winning book 'Sorry Day'. Thank you to Cathy Lange, West Wyalong town librarian, and the Bland Shire for organising this wonderful opportunity for our students.



3/4 Classroom

NEWSLETTER

Show Don't Tell

The 'show, don't tell' writing strategy is a technique writers use to convey information through details and actions, rather than stating something outright. It often involves focusing on using sensory language and physical movements to show a character's emotions and thoughts.

During the term, students explored this technique through the use of a 'Mystery Box'. Students had to use their senses to discover what was inside the box!

What's in the Box?

What could be inside the box?

- worms
- mud
- spaghetti
- a furry friend



3/4 Classroom

NEWSLETTER





P&C NEWS AND UPDATES

SENTRAL PARENT APP

This term the P&C have introduced Sentral. Parents are able to purchase from the uniform store and order their lunch for canteen all through the app.

WE ARE NOW LIVE!!

You may have noticed on your app 2 new icons have shown up...pay* for canteen and uniform.

UNIFORM: Parents are able to order all their school uniforms via the parent portal app.

CANTEEN: For the remainder of this term we will be using this as a trial period, however, from the start of Term 2, all parents will need to order their child/ren's lunches through the app for canteen on Thursdays.

Lunch orders will need to be placed on the app by **Tuesday, 2pm.**



If you need any assistance with either the canteen or uniforms, please reach out to one of our P&C members: **WE ARE here to support you**

- Donna Stergo - uniform and canteen
- Shanay Imrie - uniform and canteen
- Jess Pettit - canteen



P&C ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)

JOIN OUR TEAM

Please be advised that our AGM is scheduled for **Tuesday, 19th March 2024** at **5:30 pm** in the school library.

Positions will be up for election:

- President
- Vice President
- Treasurer
- Secretary
- Uniform Coordinator
- Canteen Manager



Our AGM will be followed by a general meeting.

We encourage and welcome new members to join!



EASTER EGG DONATION

Please help our P&C by donating Easter Eggs towards our Annual Easter hamper raffle. Eggs can be left at the Wyalong Public School front office before **Monday 25th March 2024.**

EASTER RAFFLE

\$1 per ticket

Tickets can be purchased from Wyalong Public School, What's Cookin & West Wyalong Jewellers.

1st Prize – Large Easter Egg Hamper

2nd Prize – Medium Easter Egg Hamper

3rd Prize – Small Easter Egg Hamper plus more prizes...

Drawn: Thursday 28th March at the Easter Hat Parade



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2024 Top Town Chicken Races

Brought to you by Wyalong Public School P&C

On Saturday, 2nd March all roads lead to Wyalong for the 2nd year running of the Top Town Chicken Races.



What a fabulous turn out of people we had with great weather for the event. Another day of friends and family coming together to support a small school in raising funds to assist with educational opportunities and experiences for the students at Wyalong Public School.



Our day would not have been able to run without the support from our sponsors as well as the volunteers who stepped in to help on the day and provide the equipment.

This year we saw the addition of market stalls and the Fashion on the Field, and well, didn't some people dress for the occasion. It also amped up the spirit of the day with 13 teams in the children's farmers relay challenge, 9 teams in the adult's farmers relay challenge and 4 teams in the tug-of-war challenge. A huge congratulations to the Knob Heads which consisted of Max Taylor, Max Crowe, Brax Matthews and Darcy Jamieson for being crowned champions in the children's farmers relay, Ronnie's Rockets



Pictured above: Fashions on the Field winners – Best Dressed Couple, Lucy Dore and daughter Pippa (not pictured), Best Dressed Male – Callan Fing, Best Dressed Female – Lisa Jamieson

consisting of Chris Jamieson, Graham Taylor, Ronnie Pettit and Talon Ratcliff for taking out first place in the adult's farmers relay challenge and to Terry Tuffnuts, consisting of Timmy Mitton, Talon Ratcliff, Chris Jamieson, Tony Matthews, Craig Johnston and Ryder Pettit for winning the Tug-Of-War challenge.

But with the focus back on the chicken races, the crowd cheering from the sidelines to get the 'not so fast', chickens racing saw Barb Last with her chicken, Lil Pecker, take out the Top Town Tavern Chicken Cup final this year. A huge congratulations to Barb!



Pictured left: Barb Last with her winning chook, Lil Pecker and the Top Town Tavern Chicken Cup trophy.

Pictured below: Ronnie Pettit (Calcutta buyer), Karen and Mitchell Pollock (Sweeps owner) and Barb Last (Lil Pecker Owner) for the final race.



We would like to say a massive thank you to our two exceptional auctioneers this year in Raylene Spackman and Will Dean, for their outstanding contribution and to our skilled chicken handlers, Rob and Tammy Hildebrand. Tammy has assured us that next year our chickens will be all decked out in their best attire.

Plans are already underway for another action-packed day at the races, so book it in your calendar,

Saturday 1st March 2025!



Wyalong Public School

Bulb Fundraiser

Get your spring garden ready with some beautiful bulbs!

Tulips, Daffodils, Bluebells and more!

Order online at

<https://www.bulbfundraiser.com.au/wyalongps>

or scan the QR code below.



Order to be placed by 11th April.



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2024

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Easter FESTIVAL

SPLASH-DASH-TRI

SATURDAY 30 MARCH 2024

Join us for an exhilarating Easter Festival filled with excitement and adventure!

EVOLUTION GOLD TRIATHLON + WATER WORLD
Holland Park Pool, West Wyalong

TRI EVENTS Race distances for all: Kids Duathlon, junior, entice and sprint.

DASH 4 CASH Don't miss the Dash for Cash races happening throughout the day!

WATER WORLD Get soaked in Water World for just \$6! Enjoy inflatable fun, waterslide thrills + diving board excitement

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**SATURDAY
16 MARCH**

GATES OPEN 5PM

Licensed Bar and Canteen Available

Contact: Greg Thompson 0811 107 223 Elen Larkwood 0274 772 024

RIDERS GROUND - TALLIMBA ROAD

Aerospace Camp West Wyalong

JUNE 2ND - 5TH

Aerospace Camp is a free STEM and aerospace camp open to Regional students between the ages of 11 to 14

The camp includes:

- Astronomy
- Virtual Reality
- Talking to space experts
- Flight simulators
- Designing galactic habitats
- Using robotics
- Drone flying
- STEM Careers Expo
- Rocket launching
- ...and much more!

Four days & three nights stay at Colonial Motor Inn

Camp is free to attend!

NSW GOVERNMENT

See our website for more details

<https://onegiantleapfoundation.com.au/aerospace-camp-west-wyalong-nsw/>

West Wyalong Bowling Club

2024 Duel on the Newell Easter Carnival

\$7300 Prizemoney

March 29-30 Evolution Mining Pairs
5 Games of 14 ends
\$4800

March 31 Eric Miller Memorial Fours
3 Games of 12 ends
\$2500

Top 8 Playoff Winners \$2000 Runners Up \$1000 3rd and 4th \$500 5th to 8th \$200 \$100 per team (lunch available at cost)

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9.30am start each day. Lunch after the second game

Entries restricted to the first 20 teams fully paid

Nominations to David Hillsley on 0427 784 767 by March 22

Patrons: MNP, CJM, GLASGOW, COLINS, KELLS CONCRETES, Armstrong Toppis

Scout Hall
101 Operator Street
West Wyalong

WEST WYALONG CUBS & SCOUTS

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CUB SCOUTS
Boys & Girls - 8 to 11.5 years
Wednesdays @ 4.30pm to 6.15pm
Your Fierce Leaders :
Barbara Penny & Kylie Wilson
Contact: 0417 287 136/0425 360 520

SCOUTS
Boys & Girls - 11.5 to 15 years
Wednesdays @ 6.30pm to 8.30pm
Your Brave Leader :
Olivia-Eve Knight
Contact: 0459 167 162

Facebook: 1st West Wyalong Cub Scouts & Scouts