

Term 4 Week 4
7 November 2025

WHS NEWS

Knowledge conquers all



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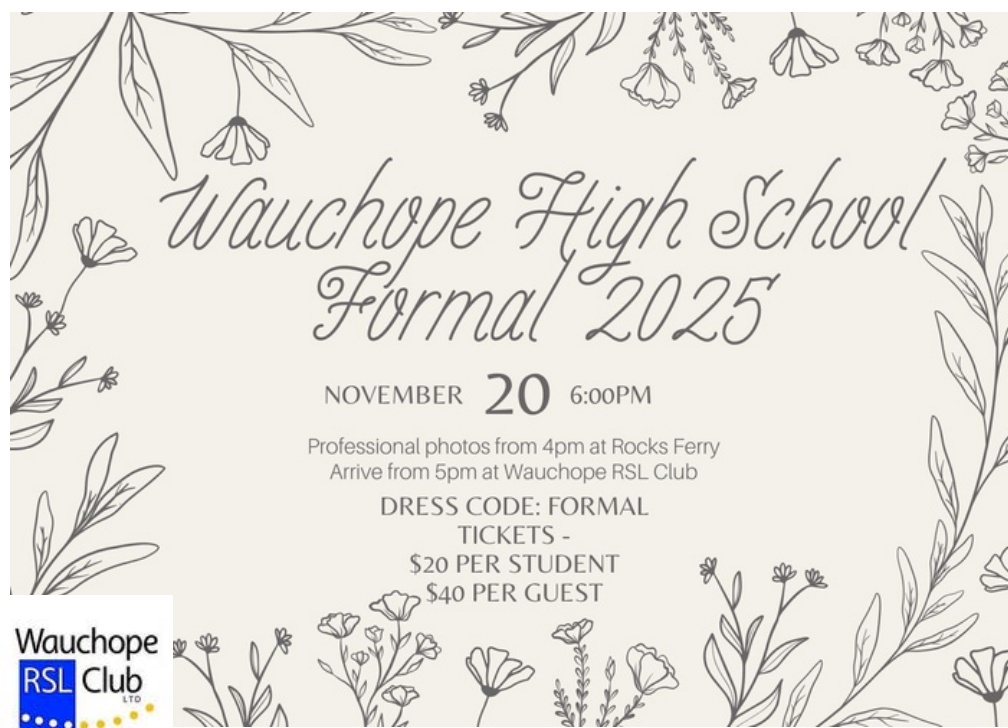
*Guinea Pig cuddles
at the school farm*

WHAT'S ON?

REMEMBRANCE DAY
TUES 11 NOV

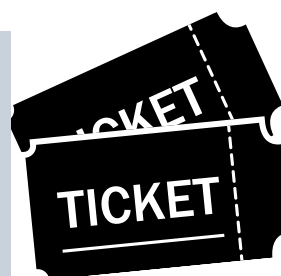
YEAR 12 FORMAL
THURS 20 NOV

SPECIAL MENTIONS



Our Year 12 Formal tickets are now on sale from our Front Office
Cash or card accepted

Year 12 students need to make sure they have signed out of school with their sign out sheet, that is available in their portfolio they recieved at their Final Assembly, as tickets are only available to purchase after this final step at school is complete!



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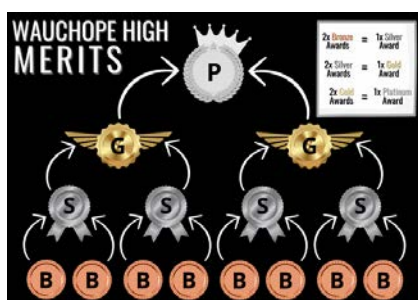
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Students receive merits by consistent demonstration of the School's Core Values (Best Effort, Care and, Respect and Safety)

Receiving these awards gives you a chance to get an invite to our annual Reward Day!!



@wauchopehighschool

IN THE SCHOOL KITCHEN



SCHOOLS OUT RADIO SHOW



Some snaps from our last radio show, students enjoying the fresh air & pizza when out of the radio booth 🍕

Our next School's Out Radio Show is this Wednesday 12 November 6-8pm. Tune in to hear our students present school news, music & their own personal segments. It's a lot of fun!!



Listen online on at <https://2wayfm.com.au/> or tune in the old fashioned way with your radio 📻



TOGETHER WE GROW



Recognising our school counsellor/school psychologist: Together, We Grow
Friday 7th November 2025 is School Counsellor and School Psychologist Recognition Day.

We will be celebrating Amee & Leesa.

Today we acknowledge the vital work of our school counsellors and psychologists — professionals who support student wellbeing, guide complex decision-making, and contribute to a safe and supportive school culture.

Their work often happens quietly, but its impact is far-reaching.

Amee & Leesa, thank you for the expertise, care, and collaboration you bring every day.

Thank You

SMALL MOTORS COURSE



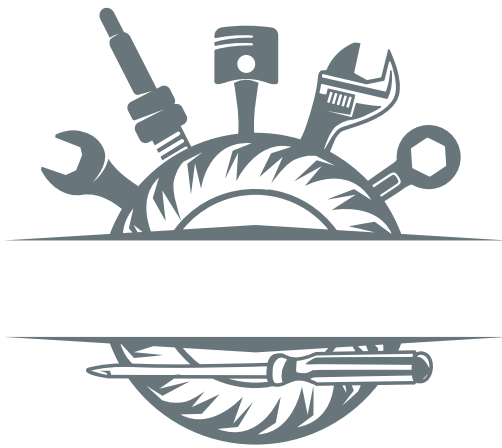
Small Motors Course

Off to a Great Start!

This term our students have begun the Small Motors course, diving into hands-on learning and gaining real experience working with tools and engine components. This program is designed for students who are curious about how things work and are interested in exploring what a practical, trade-based career could look like.

Students have already shown great enthusiasm as they learn safety procedures, identify tools, and begin basic maintenance tasks. Programs like this are an important part of our commitment to building strong pathways and expanding opportunities beyond the classroom. By developing foundational mechanical skills and confidence, students are taking positive steps towards future training, apprenticeships, and employment in the trades.

Congratulations to the students for a fantastic start and we can't wait to see their skills grow throughout these 5 weeks!



BEACH VOLLEYBALL



On Tuesday the 4th of November Wauchope High competed in the Lower North Coast Beach Volleyball Knockout at Port Macquarie Town Beach. The weather was perfect and all students represented their school to an exemplary standard. Everyone competed hard, with high levels of skill and pride. Overall, Wauchope High teams fell just short of their goal, but were just as gracious in their defeat as they were in their victories. All competing students should be proud of how they conducted themselves the entire day.



YONDR CHECK



WHS will be holding a Yondr check on **Monday 17th November & Monday 1st December.**

Staff will be recording if students have their Yondr pouches, their phone is in it & the pouch is locked.

If a student can not show their Yondr on either of these dates, students will be billed **\$10** for the cost of a replacement.

It is a requirement at WHS to have your Yondr pouch every day, regardless of having a phone or not.

Student use of mobile phones in public schools

After consultation with teachers, students and parents, [NSW high schools have banned the use of mobile phones](#) at school, starting Term 4, 2023. Mobile phones were already banned for primary students in NSW schools.

High school students are now required to leave their phones:

- in lockable pouches
- in lockers
- off and away in bags, or
- handed into school staff at the beginning of the day.

For more information on the NSW Department of Education's procedures, see [Student Use of Mobile Phones in Schools Procedures](#).



CAPA @ LUNCHTIME

CHOIR
THURSDAYS @ LUNCH
in the Hall

if you love to
sing
come join us

Everyone is welcome

- learn about your voice
- sing in harmony
- have fun with music

Every Monday & Tuesday Lunch



ART CLUB

Bring your lunch and your creativity

D6 ART STUDIO

DRAMA CLUB
Friday Lunch
Where - G5 Drama Room

MUSIC CLUB
H1 Music Room
Thursday Lunch



CARDBOARD REGATTA



All students, families, and community members are invited to join us in two weeks to cheer on our Year 9 STEM elective students as they enter the 2025 Cardboard Boat Regatta, hosted by the Port Macquarie West Rotary Club. The event will take place on the water's edge beside the Marine Rescue building, near WestPort Club in Port Macquarie, kicking off from 8am.

Students have been busy this term designing and constructing their boats - all from recycled cardboard and duct tape, with the help of Mr Jacobs and Miss Williams in Mr Highland's absence. So far, our groups are working on three masterpieces - Scruffy the Tugboat, The Hotdog boat, and Cleaveland Brown's Bathtub.

Port Macquarie West Rotary

Presents our annual
Cardboard Boat
Regatta



Birdon'

Port Macquarie Marine Rescue building
Next to the Westport Club



Saturday 22nd Nov
The fun starts after 8am



MEET OUR SSO



JORDAN

Ask Me Anything

- **What inspired you to become a youth worker?**

I wanted to pursue my passion for supporting and encouraging young people. I've always enjoyed coming alongside others—listening, having a laugh, and helping them feel seen and valued. I know what it's like to feel uncertain or hopeless about the future, so I want to inspire youth to recognise their own strengths and gifts and use them to build a bright and purposeful future.

- **How long have you been part of the Wauchope High School community?**

My wife, son, and I recently relocated to Port Macquarie from Sydney's western suburbs. I've been working at Wauchope High School for about four weeks now, and I'm absolutely loving it so far.

- **What's one thing you hope your students remember about you?**

I hope they remember me as someone who genuinely cared about them.

- **What was your favourite subject at school and why?**

Anything sport-related! PDHPE, PASS, and SLR were my favourites because I loved being active.

- **What do you enjoy doing outside of school?**

I enjoy spending time with family, playing sports, spending time at the beach, and keeping active through fitness and outdoor activities.

- **What's your favourite book, movie, or TV show?**

It's a tie between The Lord of the Rings and Gladiator

- **What's your go-to coffee or lunch order?**

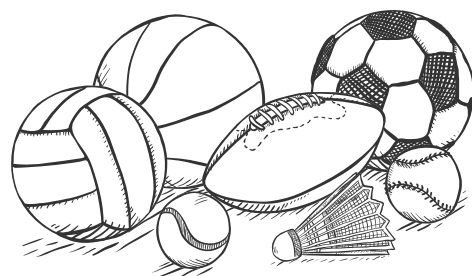
A large cappuccino—extra hot!

- **If you could travel anywhere in the world, where would you go and why?**

Italy! I'd love to visit family, experience the culture, and by culture I mean eating plenty of gelato and pasta.

- **Do you have a favourite quote or saying that inspires you?**

Matthew 7:12 — "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you."



**SCHOOL
SUPPORT OFFICER**

- **What do you love most about the Wauchope community?**

The people are friendly and big-hearted—they're always willing to go the extra mile for others.

- **How do you like to connect with students and families outside the classroom?**

I love getting outdoors, kicking a footy around with the boys at lunch, and joining in on school or community activities when I can.

- **What makes Wauchope High School a great place to learn and work?**

The staff are welcoming, down to earth, and supportive. I also really appreciate the beautiful greenery and open farm spaces around the school—it's such a great environment to be part of.

HIGH SCHOOL TRANSITION



📢 Wauchope High School
Transition 2026 📢

Wauchope High School warmly welcomes all Year 6 students starting high school in 2026! ✨

✨ What's in store?

In these sessions, you'll get to:

- ✓ Try out taster classes
- ✓ Meet some of your teachers
- ✓ Explore your timetable
- ✓ Make new friends
- ✓ Take a tour of the school
- ✓ Find out everything you'll need for high school

📅 Important Dates:

- Week 2 – 23rd October
- Week 4 – 5th November
- Week 6 – 20th November
- Week 8 – 2nd December

We can't wait to see you and start this exciting journey together! 💙💛

📞 Questions or enquiries?
Please contact the school on 6585 1400 and ask for Mrs Julia James, Head Teacher Wellbeing and Engagement.

YEAR 6

2026

SCHOOL TRIP

Our Raging Waters school trip is busily being organised by Mr Grimson for Tuesday 16th December.

This annual trip is by **invite only**.

Staff will determine who is invited through positive merits, attendance & behaviour.

Only 50 places will be available!!

More information to come shortly



Sabrina E	Riley L
Billy N	Sophie S
Evie D	Maddilaine C
Jack T	Aiden D
Noah T	
Kyla B	
Bodhi P	
Billy A	
Lucas H	
Alex T	
Joel F	

WORD WIZARD

Cooking (*noun*)

the activity of preparing or cooking food

QUOTE CORNER

QUOTE

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“Cooking is multisensory. It’s made for the eyes, the mouth, the nose, the ear, and the soul. No other art is as complex.” – **Pierre Gagnaire**

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GOTCHA!

Congratulations to the term 4 weeks 3 & 4 winners of the \$5 Gotcha canteen vouchers:

Myah C - Year 8	J'larni H - Year 8
Zoey H - Year 9	Kyla B - Year 7
Sophia S - Year 7	Ellie R - Year 7

Gotchas are awarded for doing the right thing and respecting our school values.

READY. QUIT. SOLID. NRL ROADSHOW

MEET AND GREET



TUESDAY 11 NOVEMBER, 2025 | 3PM-5PM
VERGE STREET OVAL, KEMPSEY NSW

THIS IS A SMOKE AND VAPE FREE EVENT

COME JOIN US AND MEET SOME
DEADLY NRL STARS, COMMUNITY BBQ
AND ACTIVITIES



13 Oct 2025

- Beechwood Public School
Wauchope Public School
St Joseph's Primary School, Wauchope
Wauchope High School
St Columba Anglican School
Heritage Christian School
Mackillop College, Lochinvar PI Campus
Mackillop College, Ocean Dr Campus
Newman Senior Technical College
Port Macquarie Adventist School
St Agnes Primary School
St Joseph's Primary School, Port Macquarie
St Joseph's Regional College
St Peter's Primary School, Port Macquarie
Westport Public School

School Bus S529 - PM SERVICE

Dear Parents and Students,
Commencing **20 October 2025**, Afternoon School Bus S529 will operate on **revised path** and **time** as detailed below.

Afternoon **School Bus S529** will **not** service:

1. Redbank Rd between Stoney Creek Rd and the Redbank bridge.

Revised path:

From Hursley/Stoney Creek continue Stoney Creek Rd, left Pembroke Rd, left Redbank Rd turn around at 71 Redbank Rd then via Redbank Rd, right Pembroke Rd, then as normal. Times are unchanged from Beechwood and Wauchope to Hursley Rd/Stony Creek Rd. Service will arrive later at Mortons Creek Rd/Beechwood Rd, as shown below.

Revised time:

Current arrival time	Location	Revised arrival time
4:30pm	Mortons Creek Rd/Beechwood Rd	4:41pm

Reason for proposed change:

Scheduled maintenance work on the bridge at **Redbank Road, Wauchope** for 1 month.

Please refer to your school's timetabled services at: <https://www.busways.com.au/nsw/school-services/school-timetables> and select the link adjacent to your school's name, "**New timetable 13 Oct 2025**".

For further information, please contact Busways Customer Service on **1300 69 2929** or info@busways.com.au. Yours sincerely

BUSWAYS
(42311) SB S529 305U