



WOODLAND ROAD PUBLIC SCHOOL

Information Book

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About Our School



Woodland Road Public School is located in the suburb of St Helens Park and is part of the Campbelltown Network. It provides educational success in a caring, supportive environment. The teaching and support staff at Woodland Road Public School are conscientious and dedicated to three priorities; raising educational standards, high quality curriculum delivery and the care and safety of students.

Statement of Purpose

The purpose of Woodland Road Public School is to create a school community of positive relationships which promotes a love of lifelong learning and fosters each individual's full potential as a contributing member of Australia's society.

Our Vision Statement

To create a school community of positive relationships, enable students to become self-directed lifelong learners and develop each individual's potential to create a positive future for themselves, locally, nationally and globally, as a contributing Australian citizen.

Our vision is about equity: we aim to provide all students with quality schooling free from discrimination to ensure that socioeconomic disadvantage ceases to be a significant determinant of educational outcomes.

It is about excellence. We aim to promote and support personalised learning with challenging and stimulating learning experiences.

It is about success as a learner, supported by our community.

Thrive Through Opportunity



Mr Chad Harris

Principal - Woodland Road Public School

Principal's *Message*

As the Principal, it is with great pleasure that I extend a warm welcome to you and your family as you join our vibrant school community. We are excited to have your child become part of our school and we look forward to a wonderful journey of learning and growth together.

At Woodland Road we are committed to providing a nurturing and engaging environment where every student can thrive. Our dedicated staff is passionate about fostering a love for learning, encouraging creativity, and developing critical thinking skills. We believe that each child is unique and has the potential to achieve great things, as we strive to support their individual needs and aspirations.

We understand that starting at a new school can be both exciting and a little overwhelming. Our team is here to help ease this transition for you and your child. We encourage open communication and invite you to be actively involved in our school community. Parental engagement is vital to our students' success and we welcome your input and participation in various school activities and events throughout the year.

Our vision statement of "Thrive Through Opportunity" underpins all that we do across the school. We foster a strong focus on belonging and wellbeing for students, staff and the wider community. Student leadership teams offer an opportunity for student voice and our recent creation of a Junior Aboriginal Education Consultative Group, is helping to foster strong links with our local community.

The Parents & Citizens Association meet regularly. These meetings keep parents up to date with school matters. Our school values parental involvement and we extend an invitation for you to participate fully in our school community events. No matter what your contribution, whether it as a parent helper in a classroom, assisting with reading groups, covering library books or helping children with gift selection at our P & C stalls, it will be appreciated.

As you settle in, I encourage you to explore our school's website, social media platforms and familiarise yourself with our programs, policies, and upcoming events.

Thank you for choosing Woodland Road. Together, we can create a positive and enriching educational experience for your child. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to me or any member of our staff.

Warm regards,
Chad Harris

Bell times *and* Attendance

Bell times

8:45am	School begins
11:00am	Lunch
11:55am	Lunch ends
1:25pm	Recess begins
1:45pm	Recess ends
2:45pm	School ends

Days missed = years lost

A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...



Attendance and late arrivals

Parents of children from Kindergarten to Year 12 must ensure their children attend school every day. On occasion, your child may need to be absent from school. Justified reasons for student absences may include:

- being sick
- having an unavoidable medical appointment
- being required to attend a recognised religious holiday
- exceptional or urgent family circumstances e.g. attending a funeral

Parents must provide an explanation for absences to the school within 7 days from the first day of any period of absence. Where an explanation has not been received within the 7-day timeframe, the school will record the absence as unexplained on the student's record.

Students who arrive late to school must present at the front office and a reason for their partial unattendance will be required.

School Uniforms



Our school uniform symbolises belonging to our school community.

Warm weather uniform



SUMMER UNIFORM

School dress, white socks, black shoes
Wide brim hat option



SUMMER UNIFORM

School shirt, school shorts, white socks, black shoes



SPORT UNIFORM

Sport shirt, school shorts, white socks, sports shoes
School cap option

Please contact the office if you need information regarding purchasing a uniform.

Alternatively, the P&C offers a quality, affordable pre-loved uniform shop. Details on opening times can be found on the P&C's Facebook page or on our website.

Cool weather uniform



WINTER UNIFORM

School tunic, school long sleeve polo or skivvy, school jumper/jacket, black stockings, black shoes



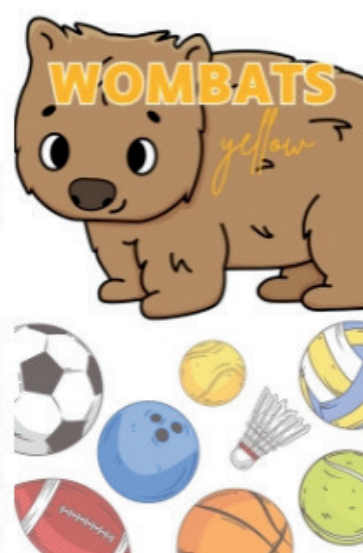
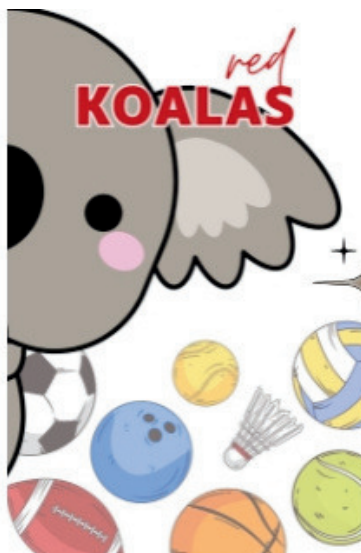
WINTER UNIFORM

School long sleeve polo or skivvy, school pants, school jumper/jacket, black shoes

Winter sports uniform: Brown tracksuit and sport shirt (as Summer), sports shoes.

Sport house colours

Students are placed in a sporting house upon enrolment at Woodland Road. We encourage students to wear their house colour at sporting events such as athletics carnivals.



Regular School Activities

Schools are busy places! Here are some of the things that are scheduled regularly at Woodland Road. You can see more of what we offer on our website.

Whole School Assembly Fortnightly

Join us Thursday afternoons (odd weeks) in the Hall where we celebrate student achievements, showcase class items and share upcoming events.

Sports in Schools Program Fortnightly

Our Sports in Schools Australia (SISA) program runs each odd Tuesday. Students have the opportunity to engage in quality physical health lessons run by trained sports teachers. Students need to wear their sport uniform on this day.

Library Weekly

All students engage in weekly Library lessons with our Teacher Librarian. Please ensure your child has a library bag to borrow a book.

Breakfast Club Daily

We're excited to invite students, parents and siblings to our Breakfast Club, where everyone can enjoy a nutritious, free breakfast to start the day right! We're here to bring the community together in a welcoming and relaxed space.



Student volunteers run Breakfast Club with the assistance of staff.

Supporting our *Students*



There are many ways that we offer learning and wellbeing support to students at Woodland Road Public School.

Support Unit

Woodland Road Public School offers a dedicated Support Unit that strives to meet the individual needs of students with disabilities. Our unit caters to students from 5-13 years of age and each class has a maximum of 7 students with a dedicated SLSO (School Learning Support Officer).

Learning and Support Team

Our Learning and Support Team (LST) oversees the support of all students across the school. This support includes academic, English as a second language, behaviour, wellbeing, attendance and engagement, and community and family support. The LST consists of dedicated LST teachers as well as a School Psychologist.

School Learning Support Officers

Our dedicated SLSOs work in and out of the classroom to support students, teachers and the community.

School Welfare Policy

Our Welfare Policy outlines the procedures for supporting student welfare, behaviour and expectations. A copy of this policy can be found on our website.

If you would like to discuss support for your child, please contact the school and make an appointment with your child's teacher.



Our Spaces



Get to know some of the spaces around our school.

Canteen

Our canteen is located next to the Hall.

Please see our website for more information regarding opening times and ordering from the canteen.

Library

Our library is the centre of the school. It is a large space that allows students not only the opportunity to read and borrow books, but provides the freedom of space for large groups to come together to learn and collaborate. The library is also home to our technology lab.

Students have access to devices such as Chromebooks and a dedicated Librarian delivers lessons to students on a weekly basis.

Playground and Supported Playground

Our school playground, located on the oval, is a favourite spot for students to play, explore and have fun. Our Supported Playground has a focus on sensory engagement and well-being, providing a calm and supportive area where all students can enjoy outdoor play at their own pace.

Courtyard

Our Courtyard sits at the heart of the school, serving as a vibrant and welcoming space that connects all classrooms, the library, canteen, hall and office building.

**See more of our
school on our
website!**





Connect with us

We value greatly our relationships with our community and strive to maintain a high level of communication with parents and carers.

School Communication

Class Dojo

Please download the ClassDojo app and enter the invitation code from your child's teacher. Here, you will see instant whole school and class notifications as well as having the option to message your child's teacher directly.

Notes

Please check your child's bag for notes as these will contain important information.

Facebook

Our school Facebook page highlights wonderful achievements and news from across the school. Simply search: *Woodland Road Public School* on Facebook.

School Website

View photo galleries and videos and keep up to date with important upcoming events on our school website. There is also an option to pay for activities and excursions online.

Visit: <https://woodlandrd-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/>

Newsletter

Our school newsletter is released twice per term and can be viewed on our website.

Three Way Interviews and parent meetings

We provide a formal three way parent/teacher/student interview time during the school year. Meetings with your child's class teacher are always welcome. Please schedule a meeting time by contacting your child's teacher on ClassDojo or by phoning the school office.



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