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WOY WOY PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



Acknowledgement of Country - 3/4B

3/4B ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY
WE ACKNOWLEDGE THE TRADITIONAL
CUSTODIANS OF THE LAND ON WHICH WE
LIVE, LEARN AND PLAY. ABORIGINAL PEOPLE
HAVE LIVED ON THE PENINSULA FOR MANY
THOUSANDS OF YEARS, CARING FOR THE
BEACHES, CREEKS AND RIVERS, AND ALL OF
THE LOCAL PLANTS AND ANIMALS THAT
MAKE THE AREA UNIQUE. WE PAY RESPECT
TO ELDERS BOTH PAST AND PRESENT, AND
TO THOSE YOUNG ABORIGINAL PEOPLE WHO
ARE EMERGING LEADERS. WE VALUE AND
RESPECT ANY ABORIGINAL PEOPLE HERE
WITH US TODAY, AS WELL AS THOSE IN OUR
SCHOOL COMMUNITY AND THE LOCAL
AREA.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome Back

TERM 3 WEEK 2

Welcome back to another fabulous Term at Woy Woy Public School. I hope you all had a wonderful holiday with your families. This Term is set to be a very busy one with lots of fun activities ahead including Education Week, Book Parade, Athletics Carnival, Science Fair, Dental Van, Brainstorm performances, Rumbalara excursions, Year 5 Camp and more.....

NAIDOC Week

Last week, WWPS celebrated 50 years of honouring and uplifting Indigenous voices, culture, and resilience during NAIDOC Week. The theme, "The Next Generation: Strength, Vision, and Legacy," was embraced through a variety of enriching cultural activities. Students participated in traditional Aboriginal games, weaving, artwork, beading, cooking, constructing humpies, and enjoying a bush tucker-inspired lunch. It was inspiring to see all students so engaged and enjoying each activity. Our assembly highlighted the meaningful work completed in classrooms, showcased student performances, and featured special guests from BWSC who played the didge. A huge thank you to Mr Roseworn and Miss Huntriss for your outstanding organisation and coordination of this unique experience for us all.



On Friday 25 July, our Aboriginal students attended BWSC – Woy Woy where they participated in a wide range of cultural activities. Our student participation was outstanding, and I was so proud of the deep engagement and behaviour of our students. Thank you to BWSC-Woy Woy and Koorana AECG for hosting this momentous event and to Mr Rosewarn, Miss Huntriss and Mrs Fletcher for accompanying our students.



Sports in School Australia -SISA Gymnastics Program

This Term, students K-6 will engage in the SISA Gymnastics and Fundamental Movement Program each fortnight. The program is designed to provide a fun, and challenging environment that is fundamental for a child's growth and development. The SISA team include a diverse range of specialised teachers and instructors, with the majority of the staff qualified PD/H/PE teachers and Gymnastics certified coaches (including high performance coaches). It is designed to teach each stage of learning according to individual ability and syllabus outcome requirements. The program is delivered in sequential steps, to allow children of all levels of skill and fitness to participate safely and achieve their personal best. Last week our Kindergarten and Stage One had a great time exploring the large range of resources provided by SISA. This week Stage 2 and Stage 3 will participate for the first time and I'm sure they will be just as engaged.



Public Speaking Finals

I had the privilege of listening to some of the public speaking finalist on Tuesday. It was certainly an impressive variety of speeches that highlighted the exceptional talent and dedication of the participants. Each speaker delivered their message with clarity and passion, engaging the audience through well-structured arguments and compelling storytelling. The high-quality presentations demonstrated great content choice, strong presence, and effective use of rhetorical devices, making each speech engaging and creative. It certainly made it difficult for the judges to select the runners up and winners for each stage!

Congratulations to the following students:

Kindergarten Winner - Mason S
Stage 1 Winner - Io S
Stage 2 Winner - Tiahn L
Stage 3 Winner - Jaxon M

Runner up - Lucinda V
Runner up - Odette B
Runner up - Alex R
Runner up - Michael B

Stage 3 Participants



100 Days of Kindergarten

Congratulations to our Kindergarten students who have been coming to school for 100 days. It was such a lovely day for them, dressing up as senior citizens, then heading to our neighbouring retirement village for morning tea, cupcakes and Bingo. Thank you to Deep Water Court for hosting such a lovely morning for our students and staff. We are so glad we brightened your day.



Mrs Sandy Knowles
Principal

POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING

Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) is a whole-school framework that promotes positive behaviour across our school. At Woy Woy Public School we strive to create safe classroom, playground, and online learning environments. Behavioural expectations are explicit, fair, consistently applied and jointly constructed. This enables the classrooms and playgrounds to be predictable and thus safe. Strategies used to support this include:

- having clear expectations, structures, routines, and accountability systems that promotes responsibility from all stakeholders.
- fostering positive language and inclusive play at recess and lunch.
- providing 'safe' places for students to go at recess and lunch.
- quality and active supervision of playground and common areas by teachers greeting students as they enter classrooms and checking in with them regularly.

This fortnight teachers and students have been discussing how to 'Be Responsible' in the classroom. Lessons and activities have focused on the importance of:

- listening and following instructions
- doing things the first time
- being ready and on time
- accepting consequences
- caring for belongings
- doing your best work

Students who are demonstrating positive behaviours are rewarded with 'Yali Tokens', which are accumulated throughout the term and traded in to receive a reward.



PBL Rewards Day

What a tremendous day celebrating the positive behaviour demonstrated by our students throughout last term! It was wonderful to see their efforts recognised and rewarded through fun, engaging activities. A big thank you to all the staff and students who made the day so special. Well done, everyone — we're proud of you!

We look forward to seeing the positive behaviour continue this term. Stay tuned for our updated Rewards Menu in the coming weeks!



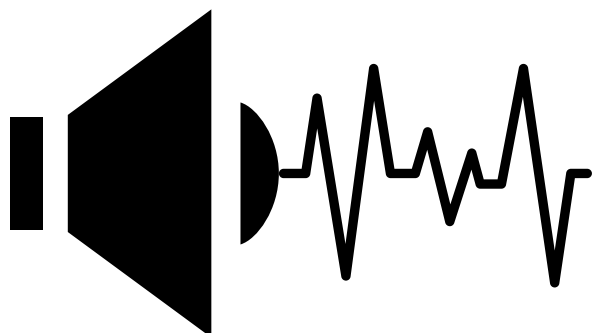
STUDENT VOICE

This term, our students will engage in Student Voice lessons focused on building confidence, collaboration, and leadership. Through activities students are learning how their ideas and perspectives can shape their learning environment. These lessons empower students to speak up, listen respectfully, and take ownership of their learning — ensuring every voice is heard and valued at our school.

Our current School Excellence Plan details our commitment to 'Amplify Student Voice' by encouraging students to actively participate in decision-making at school on things which shape their educational experiences. It is hoped that amplifying student voice will increase engagement in learning, build connections and belonging, create a positive environment and school culture, and develop students' personal and social capabilities.

We are re-branding our long-standing Student Representative Council (SRC) as our Student Voice Council (SVC). The council will be composed of Student Voice Ambassadors - these students were elected at the beginning of the year and have already represented the school as participants in the Central Coast Student Voice Ambassadors (Students as partners in collaborative Inquiry) Project - and Student Voice Representatives.

Students will be expected to attend fortnightly meetings, and, hopefully, make meaningful contributions to school life, for the benefit of their classmates and for students in mainstream and Special Education classes across the school.



Police Youth Liason Officer Visit

At the end of last term, Stage 2 and some of our Special Education classes had the opportunity to meet with Senior Constable Kurt Vallin, our local Police Youth Liaison Officer. He spoke with students about the importance of cyber safety and delivered valuable lessons on anti-racism education.

We thank Senior Constable Vallin for his time and for supporting our students with these important and timely messages.



Breakfast Club

Our Breakfast Club is back up-and-running! It has been a fantastic way to provide students with a nutritious start to their day, helping them feel energised and ready to learn.

We want to extend a big thank you to our dedicated staff and the organisations that have supported this initiative.

Your hard work and generosity make a real difference in the lives of our students. We appreciate your efforts in making Breakfast Club a success!

Breakfast Club is operational Monday to Thursday from 8:20am.



Attendance Matters

The wellbeing of our students is extremely important to us. One way we protect the wellbeing of your child is by fulfilling our responsibilities as both parents/carers and school staff by reporting and monitoring student absences.

Please remember to contact us on 02 4341 3555. This is best done early in the morning if your child is going to be away or late for school so your child's absence can be recorded correctly, and we can provide appropriate support for you and your family.





Class Awards

| CLASS | NAME | CLASS | NAME |
|-------------|-----------------------|-------------|----------------------|
| KW | Florin S Ari G | KL | Lucinda V Tatum K |
| K/1S | Indi-Rose F Zac S | 1/2R | Leon S Silas M |
| 1/2B | Leevi F Matilda S | 1/2W | Emilia G Max J |
| 3/4B | Oliver K Tont T | 3/4M | Ashton C Ava V |
| 3/4L | Phoenix M Maddie N | 5/6Y | Sophie K Sophia B |
| 5/6F | Harriet V Mariah S | 5/6B | Isaac S Elsa Z |
| 5/6G | Ariah T Travis A | K-6W | Jesse T |
| K-6C | Luca F | K-6PE | Cody L |
| K-6N | Hudon F | 3-6G | Quade W |
| 3-6 Science | Eli D | Citizenship | Lily M |
| Principal | Jayden T | | |

Headspace Outdoor Movie Night

Headspace Gosford is excited to invite young people and families to a free Outdoor Movie Night at Gosford Leagues Club Park! This is a fantastic opportunity for young people to connect, unwind, and enjoy an evening of fun and entertainment.

Event Details:

Location: Gosford Leagues Club Park
Date: Saturday, 30 August
Activities begin: 4:30 PM – including games, food, and entertainment
Movie starts: 6:00 PM – The Greatest Showman
Cost: Free – see flyer for details



Aboriginal Education

WWPS hit the ground running in Term 3, launching straight into our NAIDOC Week celebrations. On Wednesday 23 July, we gathered as a school community for a special NAIDOC assembly. The morning began with a moving performance by the didge group from BWSC Umina. We would like to extend our appreciation to the BWSC performers for sharing their culture with us.

After the assembly, students took part in NAIDOC rotations. This included a series of hands-on cultural workshops designed to deepen understanding and appreciation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander histories, cultures and contributions.

Later in the day, students experienced the tastes of Country through a bush tucker tasting session. There was a buzz of excitement as students sampled waarigal green pesto pasta, lemon myrtle soda, and lemon myrtle brownies. For many, it was their first time trying native ingredients, and the response was overwhelmingly positive.

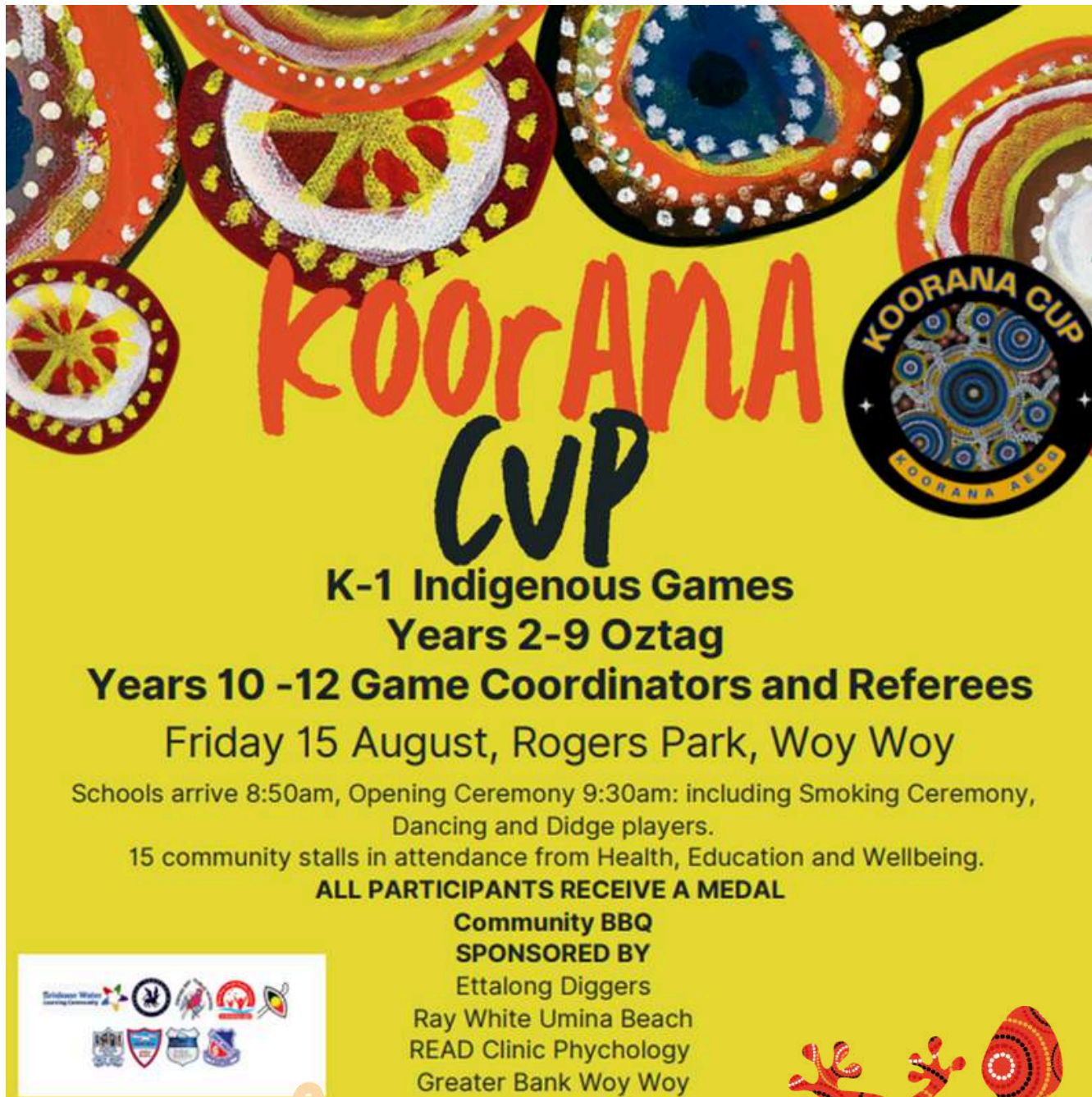
On Friday 25 July, our students had an incredible time at the BWLC NAIDOC Day. They were immersed in rich cultural experiences and provided with an opportunity to connect with other students within our learning community.

Thank you to BWSC Woy Woy for hosting such a successful event. We appreciate all of the work and organisation that takes place!



Upcoming events this term:


- AECG Meeting- Wednesday 13 August
- Koorana Cup- Friday 15 August
- Year 2 Cultural Continuum- Wednesday 3 September
- Year 5 Cultural Continuum- TBC



KOORANA CUP

K-1 Indigenous Games
Years 2-9 Oztag
Years 10 -12 Game Coordinators and Referees
Friday 15 August, Rogers Park, Woy Woy

Schools arrive 8:50am, Opening Ceremony 9:30am: including Smoking Ceremony,
Dancing and Didge players.
15 community stalls in attendance from Health, Education and Wellbeing.
ALL PARTICIPANTS RECEIVE A MEDAL
Community BBQ
SPONSORED BY
Ettalong Diggers
Ray White Umina Beach
READ Clinic Psychology
Greater Bank Woy Woy



Mr Rosenaru

Deputy Principal Inclusion and Support



Kindergarten Dates to Remember



ENROL NOW
coming Up to Big School

Important Dates

Principal Tours and Open Classrooms
Wednesday July 2, 10:00am - 11:00am
Wednesday August 27, 10:00am - 11:00am
Wednesday September 10, 10:00am - 11:00am

Information Sessions
Wednesday August 13, 3:30pm - 4:30pm
Wednesday October 29*, 11:30am - 1:00pm

Kindergarten Transition Dates
Wednesday October 29*, 11:30am - 1:00pm
Wednesday November 5, 11:30am - 1:00pm
Wednesday November 12, 11:30am - 1:00pm

*During the first transition day, parents are invited to a cafe-style information session from the school principal, P&C, uniform shop, after school care and more!

Mr Matthew Wolski
Assistant Principal (Relieving)
Early Stage One



During play time at recess, we welcomed EIGHTEEN brothers, sisters and cousins from Woy Woy Public School into our preschool. It was a huge success! How lucky are we to be a part of the WWPS community.

Preschool News

siblings



Mrs Amy Ford
Assistant Principal - Curriculum & Instruction

NEW REPORT FORMAT FOR 2025

Report Feedback

We are gathering community feedback on our new report format for 2025. Please complete the following survey to give us your valuable feedback so we can continue to meet the needs of our families. We appreciate your time and efforts in completing the survey.

Survey link: <https://forms.gle/BH1NzRXybFvzAm5e6>

QR Code



PROBLEM OF THE WEEK



Problem of the Week: Eclairs & Doughnuts



3-6

At a store, one doughnut and two eclairs cost \$4.

Two doughnuts and three eclairs cost \$6.50.

Three doughnuts and one eclair cost \$4.50

How much will I pay for **one eclair** and **one doughnut**?



Problem of the Week: Coins

My piggybank was empty but I have just put in 50c.

I only put in 10c coins or 20c coins.

What different combinations of coins might be inside?

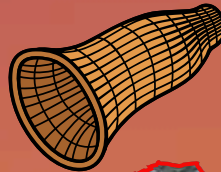
K-2



Mrs Amy Ford

Assistant Principal - Curriculum & Instruction

NAIDOC CELEBRATIONS



NAIDOC WEEK CELEBRATIONS - SAND STORIES

As part of our NAIDOC Week celebrations, students in KW, 5/6G, and 5/6F participated in a sand story activity. They were introduced to the cultural significance of sand stories, learning how Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples use them to pass on knowledge, traditions, and deep connections to Country. Students then created their own artworks, expressing their understanding through symbols and storytelling in a thoughtful and creative way.



What is a Sand Story?

Sand stories are a special way that Aboriginal people tell stories. They use their hands to draw pictures and symbols in the sand while they talk. These stories can be about:

- Dreamtime (old creation stories)
- Important people or events
- Lessons about the land or animals

For example, they might draw a kangaroo track to show where the animal went, or a circle to show a campfire. Sometimes they also use sticks or stones while telling the story.

It's a fun and creative way to share stories and keep culture strong.



WOY WOY PUBLIC SCHOOL

**Public
Education
Week 2025**
4-8 August
Ignite your potential



Please join us to celebrate Education Week -

Thursday 7 August

8:50 am Assembly

9:15 am Book Parade

10:15 am Open classroom

10:45 am - 11:15 am Picnic with your child

11:20 am K-2 Author visit for students

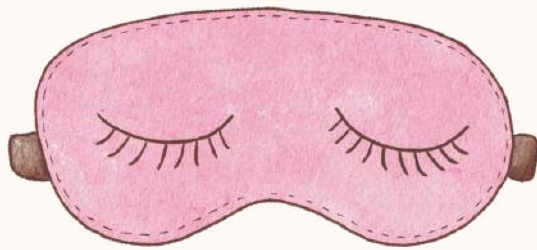
12:10 pm 3-6 Author visit for students



next week

Public Education CELEBRATIONS





Counsellor News



Sleeeeeeeeppppppp... Most parents would love more sleep, yet some kids will fight against it with all they've got. Sleep habits can form as early as 6 months old, as parents we have a responsibility to make sure our kids are getting enough sleep, and learning healthy sleep habits. To build healthy sleep habits we have to be strong and consistent in our routines, and boundaries around times, routines, and technology.

Why is sleep important?

When we sleep our brains and bodies recover and grow. Sleep supports immunity and helps children learn and remember things.

Poor sleep or not enough sleep affects concentration, memory and behaviour, making it harder for your child to learn. Children who don't sleep well are more likely to have difficulties with learning.

Over 90% of children don't get the recommended amount of sleep on school nights. Getting enough good-quality sleep is important during this period, because sleep is vital for thinking, learning and concentration skills. Lack of sleep in these years has also been linked to mental health conditions like depression and anxiety.

About sleep and learning

Good-quality sleep helps your child **concentrate, remember things, manage their emotions and behave in positive ways.**

Concentration and sleep

Children who don't get enough sleep have trouble concentrating during the day.

Memory and sleep

Remembering things is part of learning. If your child is tired, it's **harder for them to remember basic things** like how to spell words, do maths calculations, play an instrument, or perform in sport.

How much sleep does a child need?

School aged children need 9-11 hours of sleep per night. If your child is waking at 7am for school, they should be going to bed around by 9pm at the latest.

Good daytime and night-time habits for better sleep

These habits might help your child sleep better:

Keep regular sleep and wake times, and consistent bedtime routines.

Turn computers, tablets and TV off an hour before bedtime. Avoid having them in the bedroom overnight

Have a quiet and dimly lit place to sleep.

Avoid caffeine in tea, coffee, sports drinks and chocolate, especially in the late afternoon and even

Beth Russell

School Counsellor



Celebrating 100 days of Kindergarten



On Tuesday 29 July our Kindergarten students celebrated 100 days of school - dressing up like they were 100 years old and playing Bingo with our friends from Broadwater Court Retirement Village.



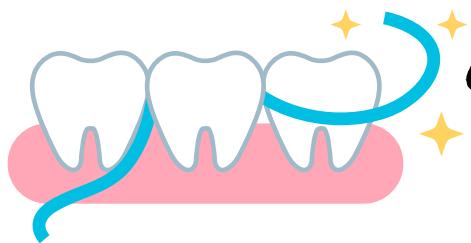
The Music Bus - Term 3

The Music Bus has opened their Term 3 enrolments and are inviting new students to apply. Classes offered are: · Keyboard (Prep-y6) · Ukulele (Prep-y6) · Drums (y1-y6) · Guitar (Y2-y6) Lessons are: * 30 minute duration - once per week * held in the hi tech music classroom on wheels on our site * cost \$22 per week (\$24 drums) payable by the term on commencement. If you wish to take part please complete this expression of interest form.

<https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/ec4627a5204c46158e1ab17e7c8069c6>

Many thanks for your continued support.

Kristie Simmonds
The Music Bus Help Desk
contactus@themusicbus.com.au
www.themusicbus.com.au



Dental Van



Dear Parents/Carers

Forms have been distributed to students for the NSW Health Primary School Mobile Dental Van. The Dental Van will arrive at WWPS on Monday 18 August 2025 for approximately 2 weeks.

Children should have their teeth checked by their first birthday and every year after that.

Please return your consent forms ASAP to the school to ensure your child does not miss out on their FREE dental check-up.

Any questions can be directed to our educators or the school office.

Canteen CLOSED



**Due to unforeseen circumstances our
Canteen will be closed on:**

MONDAY 4 AUGUST

**We do apologise for any
inconvenience.**

Anno Marce & Andrew
Canteen Operators

PLEASE SUPPORT OUR SPONSORS:



Vietnam Veterans' Peacekeepers'
& Peacemakers' Association of
Australia
(Central Coast Sub Branch)





Join Us



Open Hour 2025

At BWSC I can be...



Brisbane Water Secondary College
invite you and your family to the
2025 Open Hour!

Come and experience what makes our College special. Explore our innovative curriculum, tour our state-of-the-art facilities, meet our expert staff & join the fun of this year's theme:

At BWSC I can be...

Activities:

- Science experiments.
- Sports, Art, Maths, STEM and English games and challenges.
- Cupcake decorating.
- Live music, food, coffee and entertainment.
- Face painting and more!

When: Monday, August 4th from 3:10 pm to 4:10 pm

Where: Woy Woy Campus, Edward Street, Woy Woy



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COMMUNITY NEWS

DADS

FREE
MONTHLY SUPPORT GROUP
FOR DAD'S FACILITATED IN A
PRIVATE FARM-STYLE SETTING.

IN THE SHED

ALL FATHERS AND FATHER FIGURES WELCOME.
We work with dads and male role models supporting them to build positively engaged families - for the benefit of their children and the community. Fatherhood wasn't meant to be walked alone. Join a space where fathers gather, share, and grow together.

Scan here to register. 

Last Tuesday in the month | BBQ from 5:30pm & Connection 6pm - 7pm
Jordys Place, 25 Nyah Rd, Somersby | Contact Jason 0422 233 847




the fathering project
Changing Children's Lives

Nutrition Therapy for ASD and ADHD

Join our brilliant Dietitian Carin Clegg to explore how nutrition therapy can assist

- healthy growth
- limited food preferences
- ARFID
- gut health
- sensory processing
- emotional regulation
- food seeking
- mood, concentration and learning

Other issues that can impact physical and cognitive ability: nutrition deficiencies, allergies, intolerances, altered bowel habits, medication, growth concerns.

When - Thursday 7th August 5.30 pm
Where - Central Coast Family Psychology
Shop 4, Unit 2, 470 Pacific Highway Wyoming
Cost - \$15

To book
Call - 02 4339 7497
Email admin@ccfamily.com




Central Coast
Family Psychology



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ONE OF THE KIDS

Building Inclusion at School

FREE workshop in Lake Macquarie and Gosford

Join us for this free workshop to learn about inclusive education, hear stories of success from a parent guest speaker and see how inclusion works in the regular classroom.

This Workshop is for families of children with disability in or approaching the school years, and will cover:

- Inclusive education - what is it and how will I know when it's real?
- Adjustments - reasonable and practical classroom strategies
- Communication, collaboration and planning - building a good school relationship
- Meetings - skills and strategies to advocate effectively
- Education and beyond - what do we want from our child's schooling?
- How the school years can lead to a meaningful life.



Tuesday 26 August
9.30am - 2.30pm AEST

Lake Macquarie
Club Macquarie,
458 Lake Rd, Argenton

August
26



Wednesday 27 August
9.30am - 2.30pm AEST

Gosford
Central Coast Leagues Club
1 Dane Dr, Gosford

August
27



"We were able to get fantastic information and tools we could use to navigate the school system to best advocate for my daughter."
- Alison

Contact Us

 Phone Number
1800 620 588

Choose your session and register here:
<https://bit.ly/FA-Events-2025>