

# WOY WOY PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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## Acknowledgement of Country 3-6G

The staff and students of 3/6G acknowledge the Darkinjung people, custodians of the land on which we are learning and playing today.

We recognise their continuing connection to the land, water, life and culture.

We pay respects to their Elders past, present and emerging.
We welcome any and all Indigenous people into our class to share their culture, stories and experiences.

3/6G recognise this land has always been, continues to be and will always be Indigenous land.



### FROM THE PRINCIPAL

**TERM 3 WEEK 8** 

We've had a very busy and exciting time at Woy Woy Public School with lots of events and activities to celebrate learning, community, and connection.

### ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Our students showed fantastic effort and sportsmanship. A big thank you to Mrs Stride for her organisation and leadership. The day was filled with cheering, encouragement, and school spirit that made everyone proud. Even though it took 3 cancellations to get there...our carnival was a great success.

### YEAR 2 CULTURAL CONTINUUM

Year 2 enjoyed a wonderful learning experience exploring culture and history. Thank you to Mrs Huntriss for her planning and coordination. Students particularly loved sharing their new knowledge with each other and their families.

### YEAR 2 SWIM SCHOOL

Students participated enthusiastically in the swim school program, building confidence and water safety skills. It was fantastic to see so many children improving their swimming ability and showing persistence. Thanks to our great Stage 1 team who supported the program.

#### VISIT FROM LITTLE GIGGLES PRESCHOOL

We were delighted to welcome the preschool children to our school. It was a joy to share our learning spaces and begin building strong early connections. The visit gave the preschoolers a wonderful first taste of 'big school' life.

### FATHER'S DAY STALL

Thank you to our amazing P&C for organising such a special stall for our students. Children loved choosing thoughtful gifts to surprise their dads and father figures. Father's Day Breakfast

A warm thank you to Mrs Sozomenou for hosting such a successful event, bringing families together to celebrate our dads and father figures. The morning was filled with smiles, delicious food, and great conversations.

#### ZONE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Congratulations to our students who represented our school so proudly. Thank you to Mrs Stride, Mrs Mills and Mrs Lenz for their support and dedication. Our competitors gave their best and showed outstanding teamwork and determination.

### SASS APPRECIATION WEEK

We celebrated our School Administrative and Support Staff and the vital role they play in supporting our students, staff, and community. We are forever grateful to our amazing office team, GA and SLSO's. Their hard work, kindness, and dedication help make our school the wonderful place it is.

#### EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATORS DAY

This week we celebrated Early Childhood Educators Day, recognising the incredible dedication and care shown by our early learning staff. These educators play a vital role in shaping the foundations of our students' learning, wellbeing, and love of school. We thank them for their patience, creativity, and commitment to giving our youngest learners the very best start to their education journey.

### PRINCIPAL TOUR AND KINDERGARTEN OPEN CLASSROOMS

A big thank you to our Kindergarten team for opening their classrooms to visiting families and allowing me to showcase the wonderful learning happening in Kindy. Parents were impressed by the creativity, enthusiasm, and confidence of our youngest learners. Upcoming events:

Multi-Sports Day for Support Unit - Thursday 11th Sept Koorana Cup - Friday 12th Sept Year 6 Cake Stall Fundraiser - Monday 15th Sept Year 6 Transition Day from BWSC - Tuesday 16th Sept Year 5 Milson Island Camp - 17th - 19th Sept Year 6 First Aid Course - 17th - 19th Sept

### REMINDER - TOILETS

Parents and carers are welcome to use the adult bathrooms located in the front office. In line with Department of Education guidelines, student toilets are reserved exclusively for students to ensure their safety and wellbeing.

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' on the playground. Lessons and activities have focused on the importance of:

- Taking care of school property
- Following the rules of the game
- Being sun-safe and always wearing a hat
- Sharing equipment
- Staying in-bounds





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

### PBL REWARDS DAY TERM 3

PBL rewards Day will be held on Thursday 25 September. We can't wait to celebrate all of the positive behaviour demonstrated throughout the term.

#### ATTENDANCE MATTERS

Sometimes we will need to contact you, including on the day that your child is absent, or if you haven't notified the school with a reason for your child being away.

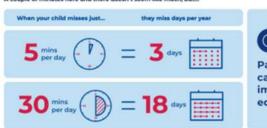
If your contact details are out of date or if you're not sure, please contact us on o2 4341 3555 so we can update our records and can contact you quickly when we need to.

If you speak a language other than English and need help talking with our staff, please telephone the interpreter service on 131 450. This service is free. Listen in your language or see How to contact the Telephone Interpreter Service.











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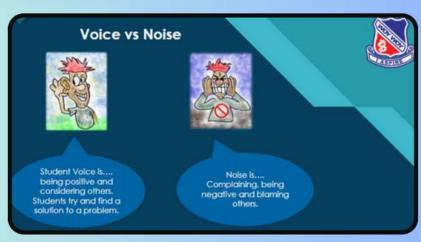
### STUDENT VOICE



Student Voice - Voice vs Noise

This fortnight, our Student Voice focus has been on understanding the difference between voice and noise. Students have been learning how to use their voice in positive and respectful ways – sharing ideas, giving feedback, and encouraging others. Through class discussions and activities, students are developing the confidence to speak up when it matters and the wisdom to listen carefully when others are sharing.







Student Voice Council suggestion boxes have been placed in classrooms.
Students are encouraged to share their ideas and feedback to help improve our school.

Thanks, Mr Betts and our SVC Representatives.



Mrs Young
Stage 3 Assistant Principal



## Class Awards

CLASS	NAME	CLASS	NAME
кw	Alisha H Sasha C	KL	Fox T Gabriella W
к/ıs	Amisha M Moosa B	1/2R	Oscar E Yali L
1/2В	Harris G Lucas B	1/2W	Chanmina K Finn W
3/4В	Sibyl W Sophie C	3/4М	Troy W Jacob C
3/4L	Hank S Elizabeth P	5/6Y	Lusa S Kellas R
5/6F	Indio M Aisha B	5/6G	Jessica W Sebastian M
5/6В	Lilly 5 Thomas 5	К-6РЕ	Jasmine C
K/6N	Noah H	3-6 RFF - Science	Taylor W
DP - Citizenship	Mason P	Principal	Oak O

CONGRATULATIONS!



# Aboriginal Education News With Miss Hyntriss



This fortnight, stage 1 classes have been learning about cultural/cool burns; fire practices used by Aboriginal people to regenerate the land, as part of the Geography Features of Places unit.

Students drew pictures of a cultural burn, that included small circular fires about knee height, grass that is browny- green that is ready to be burnt, white smoke, and insects crawling out safely from the slow burning fire.



### Weekly Cultural Programs All students welcome!

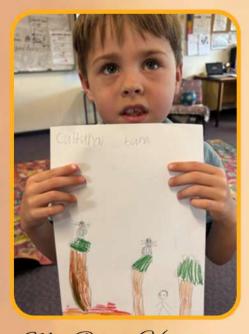
Monday Lunch: Jewellery Making on the oval

Tuesday Recess: Chill Club in the Aboriginal Community

Room (Kitchen)

Tuesday Lunch: Weaving on the oval
Wednesday Lunch: Junior Land Care meet at gardens
outside Aboriginal Community Room (Kitchen)

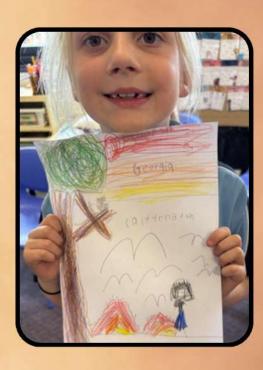




Miss Belinda Huntriss

Aboriginal Education Teacher





### STAGE 3 POETRY

Stage 3 have been working hard this term on creating and refining their own poems. Students have been exploring different poetic techniques, experimenting with imagery and emotion, and sharing their creative voices with their peers. Alongside their writing, they have been reading the novel Worse Things by Sally Murphy, which has inspired rich discussions and given students new perspectives on how poetry can be used to tell powerful stories. Check out some amazing work!!





Alone
(uh-loan) (adj)
In the darkness
Solitary
Solo
Like a withdrawn thought
Excluded
A lost puzzle piece
Always the second choice
A following shadow
Astray

Mrs Michelle Young
Stage 3 Assistant Principal



# Liprary News

### Premier's Reading Challenge

The PRC is almost over! If your online reading log has been completed by 19th September 2025, a certificate will be sent home at the end of Term 4. Please visit the website for any further details. Please contact Mrs Walker if any further assistance is required.

https://online.education.nsw.gov.au/prc/studentExperience.html#/

### 2025 NSW Premier's Reading Challenge

### **Book Fair**

All reorders have now been distributed to students. Please contact Mrs Walker if you paid online and have not received your items.

### Returns

Please return any library books to the library ASAP. Overdue notes will be coming home soon. Please contact Mrs Walker if the items are lost or have already been returned, so the online records can be updated.





## ATHLETICS CARNIVAL





















## Zone Athletics Carnival

Last Friday, 5 September, the Southern Central Coast PSSA (SCCPSSA) Athletics Championship was held at Mingara Regional Athletics Centre.

Woy Woy Public School had 44 students representing the school in both track and field events.

What an incredible day of energy, effort and sportsmanship at our Zone Championships! Our amazing Woy Woy Public School students gave it their all, showing determination, school spirit and plenty of smiles along the way.

We are excited to announce that two of our athletes have qualified for the Sydney North Championship! They are Annika G and Samuel R! Samuel R was also crowned the Multiclass Athlete of the Championship! He broke records in the 100m, 200m, Long Jump, Shot Put and Discus!

A massive congratulations to each and every single student who competed on the day, for their hard work, courage and outstanding sportsmanship. You've made us all so proud!

A huge thank you to all the parents, carers, grandparents, aunties, uncles and extended family members who attended, this highlights the supportive and positive community that surrounds our school. Warm thanks also to Mrs Mills and Mrs Lenz for assisting in the running of the Championship!

Go WWPS!

CAlyson Stride
Assistant Principal



## Stage Geience - Forces in Action

Following on from their Science unit on Forces, Stage 1 students have been busy designing and creating their very own versions of arcade-style games! Each group worked collaboratively to plan, design, and build a game that used either a push or pull force, using shoeboxes and a variety of creative materials. This hands-on project was a fun and engaging way to wrap up our learning about how forces make things move, while also building teamwork and problem-solving skills.

Erica Lund
Classroom Teacher





# KINDERGARTEN DATES TO REMEMBER

Just a friendly reminder that we are currently taking 2026 enrolments for Kindergarten. Enrolment forms are available from our front office, or you can apply online. If you have not done so already, please come and see our office staff.

Wir Watthew Wolski
Assistant Principal (Relieving)
Early Stage One













Tap on and tap off with your School Opal card every time







Dear Principal

A friendly reminder to encourage your students to tap on and off with their School Opal Card when catching the bus.

Every tap helps us build a clearer picture of how students travel, which means better planning and more reliable services for your school community.

A quick prompt by your teacehrs at the bus bay or during assembly can go a long way. Our drivers are also reminding students each day to keep the habit going.





Together, these small actions add up to big improvements for school travel.

Thank you for your continued support in helping students get the most out of their school bus service.

Best regards,

Steve Lumley
Community Stakeholder Engagement Manager







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