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PRINCIPALS MESSAGE



WORLD TEACHERS DAY

Friday 31st October is World Teachers Day, this year is the 20th anniversary of World Teachers Day. Every day teachers make a difference as they inspire and engage young people to learn and succeed. Often it is years later that a teacher is told of the impact that they had on a student. This certainly was clearly evident in our recent 50th Anniversary celebrations where many former students eagerly sought out their former teachers and thanked them for the dedication, enthusiasm and passion that inspired them to pursue goals and succeed in their lives post Woonona High School.

There are many challenges and rewards in engaging and supporting students and teachers today require a combination of valued skills, including quality teaching, management, collaboration, insight, creativity and understanding. I want to thank and pay tribute to the amazing teachers of Woonona High School and the fantastic staff supporting them. They make our school a great place to be.

Regional Sports Awards

A big congratulations to Ben Ridgeway and Nikkita Woods who have both been recognised for their outstanding contribution to Regional Sports in their respective fields of Rugby League and Soccer. Well done! (See the full story on page 13).

Bike Safety

Students are frequently reminded of the necessity of wearing helmets and observing road rules when riding to school. This week two students had accidents whilst riding to school, fortunately both did not sustain major injuries but it is a reminder of how quickly an accident can occur. Please remind your child of the importance of wearing a helmet and using caution particularly when crossing roads.

STOP PRESS

In September, selected Year 7 and Year 9 English classes were invited to enter the annual Illawarra Mercury "Design an Ad" competition. The students were given specific criteria to work to including using Wollongong Beach and the lighthouse as part of the design.

Today we were informed that Year 7 student Jorgia Camelleri is a finalist in the competition. Congratulations and good luck! See the full report in next fortnights newsletter.

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COS YEAR 5 SAMPLE LESSON DAY

On Monday 27 October around 135 Year 5 pupils from our local primary schools Russell Vale, Woonona and Woonona East were treated to some sample lessons in many subject areas. Science, English, PE as well as Mathematics, TAS and Food Technology classes were all enjoyed by the Year 5 students.



After a hectic mornings activities it was time for lunch, and judging by the happy faces as they lined up, the students were indeed enjoying themselves. Maybe it was the gourmet snags they were about to eat or the excitement of being at "high school" for the day the students really appeared to be getting a good "vibe" from Woonona High School.



The sample lesson day was organised as part of Woonona High Schools' intensive transition program for primary school students. The day gave the Year 5 students the chance to experience life as a Year 7 student for the day. The results of the day's experiences are invaluable to the students as it gives them a chance to become familiar with the school, teachers and other students as well as building their confidence about starting high school.

The sample lessons also showed the students some of the fantastic opportunities and experiences that are available to students here at Woonona High for learning and extra curricula activities.

As organiser of the day there are many staff members and students I would like to thank.

Firstly thank you to all the teachers who took on extra roles above and beyond their normal busy load at this time of year to ensure that the Year 5 students had a great day experiencing many different classes.

The canteen team led by Pam Cannings did a great job organising food for the Year 5 students and the volunteer students from all years did a great job of cooking and serving up the food. Thank you also to Carmen Mete for helping in the kitchen and to all the office ladies for their usual superlative efforts when asked to deal with faxes, emails and phone calls.

Michelle Laidler also did a great job setting up for the Year 5 Science lessons which were thoroughly enjoyed by the students.

Thanks also to Michael de Main for organising the staff cover on the day at short notice.

The Primary teachers who accompanied their students did a great job also and had the students sorted into groups before

they arrived. This made the day run smoothly and allowed the SRC members to seamlessly guide their group around for the day.

Finally, thanks to Amy Packer who gave me invaluable guidance on how to run a day like this.

Mr Peter Cowan Science Teacher













ENRICHMENT DAY

On Tuesday the 21st of October, a number of students in Year 6 from Woonona Public, Woonona East and Russell Vale primary schools attended our Enrichment Taster Day. The day is a part of the WHS transition program and is seen as an important process in encouraging students to better understand what secondary education entails and to feel comfortable with their high school surroundings.

The students that attended demonstrated some impressive general knowledge in their History lesson and created visual timelines representative of the last 35 million years! In English they competed with Ms Matthews to see who could invent the most effective Shakespearean insult. With Mr Holliday, they explored the connection between maths and art, creating complex geometrical paper sculptures. In science, they all enjoyed making sherbet and observing chemical reactions with Mr Wilson.











We hope that those students who attended enjoyed their experience and got a positive taste of high school at WHS.

Mr Mucci (Year 7 Year Adviser, 2015)

MINI OLYMPICS

On the 23 October, 10PD1 class along with Mr Chamberlain went to the Essential Personnel Mini Olympics that was held at Beaton Park. Some of the students were 'buddied' up with competitors whilst the rest ran and marshalled field events.

Mini Olympics is a day where people with special needs get to participate in athletic events. Woonona High School students volunteered with long jump, high jump, vortex throwing and running.

Students who were buddied up got to help their buddies compete in events and support them throughout the day. It was especially satisfying to see the obvious joy on the faces of competitors as they received their participation and competition medals. Everyone had a rewarding day and was glad to participate in this fun-filled event. We would like to thank Mr Chamberlain for organising this opportunity.

By Sarah Hardy and Makayla Moore

All photos were taken by the 'official photographer'; Sarah Hardy





GRIP LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE





On Wednesday the 22nd October a group of students from years 7 to 12 went to the 2014 GRIP STUDENT LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE. It was held at the Novotel in North Wollongong and many other schools around the Illawarra participated as well. The event was aimed to assist in the development of leadership skills within our SRC. The day started with a session called "Building Great Team DNA" which demonstrated the "DNA" of a great student leadership team.

The rest of the day consisted of 3 other sessions, the first session was "Stand up: Making the Most of Leadership Opportunities" which recognised the many ways in which a student leader can be proactive and stand up for others, for what is right, for themselves and whenever there is an opportunity to serve. The other two sessions gave us the opportunity to choose from two electives. One session had the choice of "how to maximise the impact of your events" and "how to maximise the impact of your communication". "How to lead in different situations" and "How leaders can maintain momentum" were the other choices for our last session of the

day. We finished off with a Q&A with the GRIP leadership team and finally a review to end the day. Overall, the SRC had a great day and would like to thank Mr Bradley for organising it.

By Bronte Petrolo and Kate Dawson.



THIS WEEK AT ASSEMBLY

UNITED NATIONS 'VOICE OF YOUTH' COMPETITION





Cricket NSW recognised the efforts of six of our students. Max Fletcher, Joel Dorrian, Kane Dorrian, Caleb Bate, Alex Glasgow and James Simpson helped out at the recent MiloT20 Blast Primary Schools Gala Day. The association was very grateful for their help as gala days such as these would not be possible without volunteers. Well done boys!



Mr Zubovic was also congratulated on the birth of his third child. Mr Zubovic and his wife have two daughters and this week welcomed their third child—baby boy, into the world. Congratulations.

SCHOOL FINANCE

Parents and staff are advised that there will be no school finance available from Wednesday 26th November until after the 1st December.

The annual school financial roll over will take place at this time.

We will not be able to process cash, cheque, EFTPOS or online payments at this time. Thankyou

Mrs Childs (SAM)



Last Friday 24 October Jade O'Brien of Year 8 and Tama Howell-Rosicky represented Woonona High School in the challenging 'Voice of Youth' public speaking competition organised through the Youth United Nations.

Woonona High School was the only comprehensive public school represented at this competition, in which students had to offer solutions to a range of problems facing our world today. Jade prepared a speech on how to improve Australia's education system, and she focused on quality teaching. The adjudicator's comment was that she had researched and discussed real-life policies in education, and 'Sold them better than our Minister of Education' - perhaps a career in politics is ahead!

Tama spoke on how to improve access to food for people in developing nations. She spoke of solutions involving small loans, and empowering women through education.

Both students had to also present an impromptu speech, and they met this challenge really well.

Once again students from Woonona High School represented our school with excellence and flair - demonstrating that students from comprehensive public schools can do anything!

Ms Clare Matthews

JUST KIDDING

There's never a dull moment at Woonona High School. Thursday this week saw much excitement when a goat followed a student to school.

The student phoned the school early in the morning and excitedly reported that he was outside the

school gate with a goat in tow. Mrs Pike (always the calm and collected one) went to the students aid and then had the goat secured safely in the western paddock.

The RSPA was called and in a happy ending the goat was reunited with it's owner.



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Australian Red Cross BLOOD SERVICE



Students at Woonona High School in Years 10 and 11 who are over the age of 16 have been invited to support the Red Cross Blood Drive this term.

Alyse Egbers (Year 11) is coordinating the drive. Groups of five students are taken to the Red Cross Blood Bank in Wollongong. The students are interviewed and then they donate blood. The blood donation itself only takes about 10 minutes.

So far Alyce has booked in 3 groups of five Year 11 students to give donations and she still has more to come. After that groups of Year 10 students will commence.

Blood is vital for life, and for many people blood donors are their lifeline. Currently only 1 in 30 Australians donate blood but 1 in 3 Australians will need blood in their life time. With statistics like this it is very impressive that our students are stepping up to the mark and performing this worthwhile community service.

Well done Alyse! I'm sure that you will help many Australians through your hard work and effort.

YEAR 12 FORMAL

It has come to my attention that the date noted for the Year 12 2014 formal was wrong in the last newsletter. The correct date is the 19 November 2014.

Photos will be at Sandon Point from 3:30pm and the bus will depart for Sydney Harbour promptly at 4:45pm.

My apologies for this error.



On Thursday the 9 October, students from Years 7,8 and 9 were given the opportunity to attend Bell Shakespeare's production of *The Dream.* Held by the Merrigong Theatre Company, the 90 minute piece was a modern rendition of William Shakespeare's *A Midsummer Night's Dream;* featuring only 8 actors opposed to the 22 characters, both original and introduced. The play was performed seamlessly-with the exception of one major set change- to emphasise the clash between modern influences, and Shakespeare's original work. Director, Peter Evans, has truly gone out of his way to create a smooth and enjoyable performance, which, everyone can follow and understand- even if the original story is unfamiliar.

The tale follows the journey of Hermia and Lysander who are deeply in love and wish to elope, Hermia's father has other ideas. After giving Hermia the decision to choose to marry Demetrius- a man who has left his fiancé, Helena, to pursue her or be sent to a nunnery or be killed. Desperate to be together, the young lovers decide to meet in a moonlit forest. They are followed closely by Demetrius, who in turn is trailed by a dazed Helena. In that same forest Nick Bottom and his hapless bunch of tradies have gathered to rehearse a play to be performed at the royal wedding. Not forgetting the mischievous sprinkling of fairies who have also arrived. The three worlds combine in a clash of chaos, confusion and- of course- comedy.

Overall, the fast-paced production perfectly depicts a classic piece of literature in a light and humorous manner, suitable for every audience. Filled with magic, madness and mayhem; seeing the production was an enlightening opportunity for every student who attended.



By Lucy Rouse, Year 9

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LIBRARY



SCARY STORIES WEEK

This week students were tangled in spider webs and spooked by bats and witches, every time they entered the library, as we

celebrated Scary Stories week. A display of our most chilling and blood curdling books were also on hand, to entice our readers. We also held a scary story competition. To enter, students had to write a spooky flash fiction story. The winner will be announced next newsletter.



READING NEWS

It's no secret that reading is good for you. Just six minutes of reading is enough to <u>reduce stress by 68%</u>, and numerous studies have shown that reading keeps your brain <u>functioning</u> <u>effectively</u> as you age. But not all forms of reading are created equal.



The debate between paper books and e-readers has been vicious since the first Kindle came out in 2007. But now science has weighed in, and the studies are on the side of paper books.

Reading long sentences without links is a skill you need — but can lose if you don't practice.

Reading long, literary sentences with links and distractions is actually a serious skill that you lose if you don't use it. Before the Internet, the brain read in a <u>linear fashion</u>, taking advantage of sensory details to remember where key information was in the book by layout.

As we increasingly read on screens, our reading habits have adapted to skim text rather than really absorb the meaning. A 2006 study found that people read on screens in an "F" pattern, reading the entire top line but then only scanning through the text along the left side of the page. This sort of nonlinear reading reduces comprehension and actually makes it more difficult to focus the next time you sit down with a longer piece of text.

Reading in a slow, focused, undistracted way is good for your brain.



Slow-reading advocates recommend at least 30 to 45 minutes of daily reading away from the distractions of modern technology. By doing so, the brain can reengage with linear reading. The benefits of making <u>slow reading</u> a regular habit are numerous, reducing stress and improving your ability to concentrate.

Regular reading also increases <u>empathy</u>, especially when reading a print book. One study discovered that individuals who read an upsetting short story on an iPad were <u>less</u> <u>empathetic</u> and experienced less transportation and immersion than those who read on paper.

Reading an old-fashioned novel is also linked to <u>improving</u> <u>sleep</u>. When many of us spend our days in front of screens, it can be hard to signal to our body that it's time to sleep. By reading a paper book about an hour before bed, your brain enters a new zone, distinct from that enacted by reading on an e-reader.

BOOK CLUB



This fortnight we celebrated Scary Stories Week. Students were shown lots of scary book trailers and then asked to write a scary flash fiction story. There were some really great stories with Shantelle Hadfield being voted the overall winner.



We also had fun playing Zombie statues to Michael Jackson's Thriller video. There were some really great zombie imitations from students and lots of laughter.



Mrs Roddis Teacher / Librarian

SPIDER DAY

On Friday 31st October the SRC held "Spider Day". Ice cream Spiders in all flavours, ice cream cones and drinks were sold at the canteen to raise money for our sponsor child Bathai and his family.

As it was a nice warm day the cooling treats went down well.

See the full report in next fortnights newsletter.





White Ribbon Walk Against Violence Against Women

Wollongong Harbour Tuesday 25th November 2014

Start 7.15am Andrew Lysaght Rest Park- Cnr Crown St and Quilkey PI, (beach side of WIN Entertainment Centre)

Walking to Stuart Park Join us for breakfast 8am-9am

White Ribbon Day is the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women.

> 1 in 3 women in Australia will experience violence in their lifetime.

Please join us for the first Annual Walk Against Violence Against Women and say <u>NO</u> to violence.



Illawarra Committee Against Domestic Violence

WELL DONE MRS CONNAUGHTON!

DRAMA ENSEMBLE

Each year around this time a familiar face appears at Woonona High School. Mrs Beverly Connaughton has been a HSC Examination Supervisor at the school for over 40 years!

In the 1970's, Beverly (fondly known as Bev) started examination supervision. Firstly at Bulli High where the combined schools examinations were held and then in 1977, after the school hall had been built, Woonona High School's external examinations were held here. At that time the school employed external supervisors for both the School Certificate and the Higher School Certificate Examinations.

In 1985 Bev became the Presiding Officer of the HSC Examinations. Principals must select a Presiding Officer each year and Bev held this role for over 25 years.

As the Presiding Officer, Bev was responsible for maintaining the integrity of the Higher School Certificate Examinations, including managing the other supervisors, organising rosters, overseeing performance and dispatching completed examination papers to the Board of Studies.

Bev has stepped aside from her role as Presiding officer but is back at the school in a supervisory role.

Thank you Bev for all the time and dedication you have given to our school.





Woonona High School's After School Drama Ensemble have been working hard in preparation for their Showcase Evening and the school's Variety Night. Each Tuesday afternoon, a group of committed and enthusiastic students come together to create and perform exciting and innovative pieces of Drama.

We have been experimenting with Improvisational Acting, and rehearsing a play called "ZAP, BAM KAPOWIE!" which focuses on the question *"What does it take to be a hero?"*. This play asks many questions about how we identify heroes and even superheroes in our lives. What does our need for heroes tell us about our lives? Are there any real heroes or does the media create them?

The Drama Ensemble will be hosting a performance evening later in the term and will showcase a part of their play at the Variety Night.

DRAMA ELECTIVE



EXCITING NEWS!!!

Drama is now a subject elective students can choose in Years 8, 9, 10, 11 & 12.

2015 will see a year 9/10 elective class taught by Mrs. Crawford. This class will look at making, performing and appreciating Drama in a variety of ways. Units include Improvisation, Script work, Commedia Del Arte, Design for Drama and Shakespeare on Stage.

Drama students will not only have the opportunity to perform for their classmates, but will also have opportunities to perform for the school, parents and the greater community.

HELEN FULLER / MAI MOW SPORTING AWARDS

The South Coast SSA has announced the Helen Fuller / Mai Mow Sporting Awards for 2014. These awards are a service award for athletes who have represented the South Coast in a number of sports or in a single sport over a number of years.

This year two Woonona High School students have been presented with awards for Outstanding Contribution to South Coast School Sport.

Congratulations to Nakita Woods who received an award for her contributions to South Coast Athletics, Cross Country and Football.

Ben Ridgeway is also to be congratulated for his award, presented for his contributions to South Coast Rugby Union.







STUDENT MONITORING

Student monitoring is being completed for all students in all subjects this week. Monitoring cards will be handed out in roll call next week and these cards will give both students and parents an indication of how the students are performing in each subject. Please take the time to have a look at your child's monitoring card and if you have any concerns please ring me at the school on 42841513.

Mr Rayner

Head Teacher Welfare.

STUDENT ABSENCES

Parents and carers are reminded to always send a note with their child when they have been absent from school. The note can be handed in at the front office or given to the child's roll call teacher.

Reminders about absence notes are sent out each week. This is a requirement of the department so that parents and the school are kept aware of the time students are being absent from school.

Mr Rayner

NETBALL GALA DAY

On Friday, October 24th students from Woonona High School went and participated in a Netball Gala day at Fred Finch, Berkeley.

The day consisted of the girls participating in a round robin competition against Smiths Hill High School, Dapto High School, Figtree High School, Warilla High School, Lake Illawarra High School, Bulli High School, Keira High School, Kanahooka High School and Oak Flats High School.

Taylah Davies from the Sydney Swifts and Rebecca Bulley from the Australian Diamonds Netball Team were in attendance to talk with the students and to also present the winners and runners up with their trophies and prizes.

Unfortunately both teams entered did not make the top two teams of the area, However all of the girls in attendance played extremely well together and their sportsmanship was outstanding.

The Year 8 team consisted of Indilee Nipperess, Keely Corey, Akeylah Colvin, Rebecca Pocock, Grace Mellows, Shannon Cracknell, Erin Wall, Madelina Camelleri and Lili Van Duin.

The Year 7 team consisted of Bronte Eady, Brianna Gurney, Caitlin O-Flyn, Courtney Finlay, Jorgia Camilleri, Natalie Piatek, Georgia Ovington and Pheobie Austin.

Special thanks goes out to Taylah Carter of Year 10 and Anysia McDavitt who umpired for us on the day.

Congratulations girls on what was a great day out. Hope to see you all back next year.

Miss Ward (Acting Head Teacher Science)





YEAR 12 MENTORING

All Year 11 students have been invited to participate in an academic mentoring program for Year 11. Year 11 is a very important preparatory year for the HSC and every effort is being made to help students be prepared.



It is important that the students think carefully and select mentors who would work well with them.

MOVEMBER

YOUR CAREER

CAREERS

Year 10

Work Experience Week is just around the corner; Week 7 (17 -21 November). The Student Placement Records are coming in thick and fast so please keep them coming. Remember placements are to be finalised by the end of Week 5 (7 November). If you are having difficulty please come see me for assistance.

Year 11/12

What a fantastic turn out for the "Year 11 into Year 12 Information Evening". As I said on the night; I will be interviewing all Year 11 students during Weeks9-11 and completing Career Pathways Transition Plans using woononahighcareers.com.

On the night I also pleaded for more students in their HSC year to apply for scholarships and cadetships to help finance their university education. This year, so far, Kate Linlsey and Kirsten Armstrong have been offered cadetships. Kate and Kirsten will gain professional paid experience while attending university. In 2013 Britany Weir, Renee Schwarze, Owen Cannings and Tiana Stevens all received cadetships or scholarships. These results represent a near one hundred percent success rate for applicants from Woonona High School. Invariably, scholarship criteria include academic results (but not always as high as you may believe), and other qualities such as passion for a subject, leadership, teamwork and community involvement. So complete a special project that demonstrates a passion for learning. Demonstrate this passion to your teacher by doing extra reading or research or whatever and talk to them about it. Do some volunteering over the holidays that shows that you are involved in the community and that you have leadership ability. Involvement

in sports clubs, surf clubs, Student Representative Council, Peers Support and so on all demonstrate the abilities of teamwork, leadership, communication, initiative and more.

Mr Chamberlain

Careers Adviser





Once again this year staff and students at Woonona High School will support "Movember". Mr Lance Kemp (Mathematics Teacher) has put out the challenge for staff and students to be crowned "Miss Movember" or "Man of Movember" to support this worthy cause.

"Movember" is a fun charity run to raise awareness and vital

funds to support men's health, in particular prostate cancer and testicular cancer and mental health

Movember challenges men to grow a moustache for the 30 days of November, thereby changing their appearance and the face of men's health.



CHAPLAINS CORNER

Wow – what an amazing group of breakfast club volunteers you have here at Woonona! I went along this week, and it was great to see so many students getting a friendly welcome to school and a yummy breakfast to start the day. Remember, it's on Tuesday and Thursday mornings before rollcall, at the canteen.

If you have an hour or two spare every couple of weeks, please contact me as we need to fill a few holes in the roster. Also, we always take Vegemite, jam and maple syrup donations!

It's great to be a part of this supportive and serving community here at Woonona High!

Amy Wood (School Chaplain)

Bakers De



Mr Rod Landy (Science and PE Teacher as well as dedicated surfer and Learn to Surf Teacher) is passionate about the Disabled Surfers Day held at Thirroul Beach each year.

Mr Landy whole heartedly supports the day and encourages

WHS students to take part.

Abled surfers are needed on the day to help disabled surfers enjoy their time on the board as well in the water . For more info see the phone numbers below or see Mr Landy in the Science Staffroom.







Help out at our 22nd

"Surfers helping Surfers"

Thirroul Beach "Hands on Day"

run by the South Coast Branch of the DSA for the Region's Disabled Participants with the assistance of surfers, local schools and the general public

WHEN? Saturday 6th December 2014, 9am - 1pm. BBQ lunch is free to all registered attendees.

WHERE? Thirroul Beach – sign-in on the grassed area on the southern end of the Thirroul Pool.





COST? **FREE** to everyone signed-in due to this year's sponsorship by the Northern Districts Tigers AFL Club – "Go the mighty Tigers" Taj Burrow says – "What's your problem? Give them a hand – I do so whenever I'm at home – *sweet!*"

Other South Coast events this season: Mollymook Sat Nov 15, 2014; Gerroa Sun <u>March</u> 29, 2015

check out www.disabledsurfers.org

For more info contact Ian 0421601222. Sandra 0402806622 or Jim 0458759999

'Smiles on Dials'

YEAR 12 2015

Ms Epton is currently compiling a list of parent email addresses of Year 12 2015 students.

As Year Adviser for Year 12 Ms Epton would like to be able to notify both parents and students of important events and happenings throughout the year. Year 12 is a very important year with many timelines and important dates.

If you would like to be added to her list could you please email her at diana.epton@det.nsw.edu.au.



HEAD LICE

Recently there has been several cases of suspected head lice reported to the school. Whilst it can be an annoying it is important that your child's hair is checked thoroughly.

If you suspect that your child has head lice it is recommended that treatment be commenced immediately. There are many products on the market or advice can be sought from your local pharmacy or from the NSW Health website at http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/ headlice/treatment/index.html.

Further information on head lice is also available on the Departments website at http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ studentssupport/students health/conditions/headlice.php.

We appreciate your assistance in this regard.

Ms B Wall

CANTEEN HELPERS TERM 4 2014

Mon 3 Nov	HELP NEEDED
Tue 4 Nov	HELP NEEDED
Wed 5 Nov	Chris Core
Thur 6 Nov	HELP NEEDED
Fri 7 Nov	Narelle Green
Mon 10 Nov	Vasey Usher
Tues 11 Nov	HELP NEEDED
Wed 12 Nov	
Thur 13 Nov	Stephanie Cotterill
Fri 14 Nov	Angela Madden
Mon 17 Nov	HELP NEEDED
Tue 18 Nov	Susie Eager
Wed 19 Nov	HELP NEEDED
Thur 20 Nov	HELP NEEDED
Fri 21 Nov	Wendy Wyatt
Mon 24 Nov	Karen & Lenore
Tue 25 Nov	Kerrie
Wed 26 Nov	HELP NEEDED
Thur 27 Nov	HELP NEEDED
Fri 28 Nov	HELP NEEDED
Mon 1 Dec	Karen & Lenore
Tues 2 Dec	HELP NEEDED
Wed 3 Dec	
Thur 4 Dec	HELP NEEDED
Fri 5 Dec	Narelle Green
Mon 8 Dec	Vasey Usher
Tues 9 Dec	HELP NEEDED
	HELP NEEDED
Thu 11 Dec	Stephanie Cotterill
Fri 12 Dec	Angela Madden
Mon 15 Dec	
Tue 16 Dec	Susie Eager



THE HOMEWORK LEARNING CENTRE

The Homework Learning Centre is open in the school Library every Tuesday from 3pm to 4.30pm.

Specialised teachers are on hand to help students and a light afternoon tea is provided. This is an excellent opportunity for students to use the school resources and teacher's expertise to complete homework, assignments and study notes.

TERM 4 2014 CALENDAR

3 Nov	Year 12 VET Work Placement
4 Nov	Year 12 VET Work Placement
5 Nov	Year 12 VET Work Placement
6 Nov	Year 12 VET Work Placement
7 Nov	Year 12 VET Work Placement
	Year 12 Clearance Day 9 – 11am SCR
10 Nov	Year 12 VET Work Placement
	ESSA Online Test
11 Nov	Year 12 VET Work Placement
	ESSA Online Test
	Year 6 Parent Information Evening
	Remembrance Day
12 Nov	Year 12 VET Work Placement
	ESSA Online Test
13 Nov	Year 12 VET Work Placement
	ESSA Online Test
14 Nov	Year 12 VET Work Placement
17 Nov	Year 10 Work Experience
	Year 11 RYDA
18 Nov	Year 10 Work Experience
	P&C Meeting
19 Nov	Year 10 Work Experience
	Year 12 Formal
20 Nov	Year 10 Work Experience
	21 Nov Year 10 Work Experience
28 Nov	School Spectacular
3 Dec	Year 7 2015 Orientation Day
4 Dec	Stage 4 Assembly
9 Dec	Variety Night
10 Dec	Years 7 – 11 Rewards excursion
11 Dec	Presentation Evening
15 Dec	Student Activities week
16 Dec	Student Activities week
17 Dec	Student Activities week
	Last day for students 2014

Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop now has an email address. To contact Renae or Jackie for any enquiries regarding uniform orders please email them at <u>woononahs.uniforms@gmail.com</u>. Uniform order forms can be downloaded from our website or they are available at the Front Office.

The Uniform Shop is open each Thursday from 8.00am— 9.30am. If this time is unsuitable for you, orders can be paid for at the Front Office (Mon—Fri 7.45am to 3.15pm) and the items will be delivered to your child the following Thursday.

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New items for winter include:WHS Spray Jackets\$65School cap\$15

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

For a limited time the green fleece school jackets and jumpers will be on special for \$30.

Parents please be reminded that clothing items can only be exchanged if they are faulty or the wrong size – not because you or your child have changed their minds.

Also clothing to be exchanged must be unworn and still have the tags attached.

Thankyou from the "Uniform Ladies"

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You may be eligible if you have a Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card, are at least 18 years old, have some regular income from work (you or your partner) and have a child at school or study yourself.

Contact Lindi Jamieson-Brown, your local Saver Plus Worker: (02) 4254 4505 / 0427 439 234 or lindi.jamieson-brown@thesmithfamily.com.au

Saver Plus was developed by ANZ and the Brotherhood of St Laurence and is delivered in Illawarra and Wollongong by The Smith Family. The program is funded by ANZ and the Australian Government.

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For more information please contact the District Manager on 0450 632 774, or Girl Guides NSW membership on 300GIRLGUIDES (1300 447 548).

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Twilight Food Markets of the World - October 2014 to March 2015

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NORTHERN BEACHES

Bring a picnic blanket, enjoy light music and savour the flavours of international foods this summer at one of Wollongong's much-loved favourite spots.

Join us at Flagstaff Hill

The Twilight Food Markets of the World are on the first Friday of every month from 5.30pm -8.30pm at Flagstaff Hill.

- Friday 3 October with the Leukaemia Foundation's 'Light the Night' lantern parade
- Friday 7 November
- Friday 5 December
- Friday 2 January
- Friday 6 February
- · Friday 6 March

Sample international cuisine, listen to music and watch the sun set over the escarpment at Council's Twilight Markets.





Beth Leske was one of our Harcourts Northern Beaches family and team member for nearly 3 years. Beth was a vibrant young 27 and was loved by all who knew her. Beth was to be married on the 4th October to Chris her childhood sweet heart and her 3 year old son both were the loves of her life. Beth had a seizure while playing netball which caused her to have a heart attack, unfortunately Beth never survived. Life is cruel and to cut short the life of this beautiful young woman and leave her 3 year old son without a mum is the harshest outcome that could happen. There has been a fund set up for Beth's son Tarne.

We would like to ask all the beautiful people of this community to please dig deep to help out this young boy, all monies will go straight to Tame's fund. For more information please contact Harcourts Northern Beaches on 4284 8833 or go to www.mycause.com.au/page/83982/foroneofourharcourtsfamily

Testimony

"Hi Ron,

We met with Colin today but also wanted to say thank you so very very much for your time, patience (it would have been put to the test repeatedly), and help. You made the path to us getting this property much easier and we appreciate it! All the very best and we may see you around Woonona." *Camille and Greg*

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