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Term 2, Week 6

Volume 6



Education
Public Schools

Calendar

Week 7

10/06 Public Holiday

Week 8

19/06 Careers Day

20/06 Netball Tournament

21/06 Regional Cross
Country

Week 9

28/06 Athletics Carnival

28/06 Assembly
11:30am

Week 10

03/07 Field Events

04/07 STEAM Convention

05/07 NAIDOC Day
Assembly
11.30am

05/07 Brainstorm
2:00pm

05/07 Reports Home

Week 1

23/07 Students
Commence

26/07 Assembly
11:30am

Week 2

02/08 Jeans for Genes Day

02/08 Assembly
11:30am

Week 3

07/08 P&C Mtg
7pm

09/08 11.30 Assembly

Professional Learning

Art of Leadership Master
Class

For more events on our
Calendar, please go to:

<http://www.wollongbar-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/>

Principal's Report

Crazy Hair Day

We had plenty of crazy hair at school today, helping our SRC to raise funds. Thank you to all the parents and carers who braided, tied, sprayed, sculpted and decorated before school this morning.



Tree Maintenance

Arborists and tree loppers are periodically called into schools to complete work for a number of reasons. Sometimes landscaping is the priority, at other times it is to make room for demountables or new structures. This week we have had safety work completed, to ensure trees are structurally sound and free of loose branches. We are very sad to report that our Lone Pine has had to be removed as it was dying. We are working with the Wollongbar Gardening Club to source a new tree and advice on how to select a site and prepare the soil appropriately to nurture a

new tree.

Progress on Playground Works

Thank you to our contractors who made steady progress on the resurfacing of our playground. The team have been very helpful in negotiating fenced areas and pathways, so that the impact on the flow of traffic around the school has been minimal.



School Banking

Please note there will be no student banking in Week 7 (Tuesday 11/6/19). Banking will resume as normal in Week 8 (Tuesday 18/6/19).

Ben

Relieving Principal



2019 Planner

Term 2	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
6	3 June.	4 June.	5 June. 7pm P&C Mtg	6 June. SRC Crazy Hair Day	7 June.
7	10 June. Public Holiday – Queen's Birthday	11 June.	12 June.	13 June.	14 June.
8	17 June.	18 June.	19 June. SRC Careers Day	20 June. Netball Tournament	21 June. Regional Cross Country
9	24 June.	25 June.	26 June.	27 June.	28 June. Athletics Carnival
10	1 July.	2 July.	3 July. Field Events	4 July. STEAM Convention	5 July. Brainstorm NAIDOC Assembly Reports Home Last Day of Term 2
Upcoming Terms					
Term 3	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	22 July.	23 July. Students Commence Term 3	24 July.	25 July.	26 July.
2	29 July.	30 July.	31 July.	1 August.	2 August. Jeans for Genes Day Fundraiser
3	5 Aug.	6 Aug.	7 Aug. 7pm P&C Mtg	8 Aug.	9 Aug.
5	19 Aug. Book Week & Book Fair	20 Aug.	21 Aug.	22 Aug.	23 Aug. Book Character Parade
6	26 Aug.	27 Aug. Storyboard Bus Yrs 3-6	28 Aug.	29 Aug. School Photos	30 Aug. School Photos
7	2 Sep.	3 Sep.	4 Sep. 7pm P&C Mtg	5 Sep.	6 Sep.
8	9 Sep.	10 Sep.	11 Sep.	12 Sep.	13 Sep.
9	16 Sep.	17 Sep.	18 Sep.	19 Sep.	20 Sep.
10	23 Sep.	24 Sep.	25 Sep.	26 Sep.	27 Sep. Last Day of Term 3

UPCOMING EVENTS

Who	Event	Payment Due Date	Cost
Whole School	School Contributions & Technology Levy	27 th of September 2019	\$87 / Student \$117 / 2 Students \$147 / 3 Students \$147 Plus \$20 Per Student / 4 or More Students

Unfortunately, students who have not paid and brought in a permission note by the due date for these events will not be able to participate.

Please visit the **school website** to make a payment online.



is available at our school from 8.30am-1.30pm

Permission notes MUST be accompanied by payment or they will be returned to your child.

SCHOLASTIC BOOKCLUB ISSUE 4

Book club has been issued and is due back at school on:

Wednesday 19th May 2019

Unfortunately, we will not be taking any late orders.

Please remember to write your child's name clearly on ALL order forms.

Northern Rivers Cross Country

I would like to say a big congratulations to all the students who participated in the Northern Rivers Zone Cross Country last Friday. It was a wonderful day and all students represented Wollongbar proudly. Congratulations and good luck to the students who made it to Regional Cross Country which is held on Friday 21st June in Nana Glen. Notes are due back Tomorrow, 7th of June to be processed by the office and sent to PSSA Coordinators.

Megan

Cross Country Coordinator

SAVE THE DATE! The 2019 Annual Athletics Carnival

Friday 28th June is our **Track Events Carnival** for all students at Wollongbar Public School. Students compete in the age group that they are turning this year. They can wear a coloured shirt to represent their house.

Programs will be distributed to students in the coming weeks.

On Wednesday 3rd July we will hold our **Field Events Carnival** for students who are 8-13 Years of age. Remembering that students compete in the age group they turn this year. Our weekly Friday Athletics Rotations will form part of our Field Event Carnival.

Families are more than welcome to come along and support the students.

Many thanks,

Margie

Athletics Organiser

Wollongbar P&C



No School Banking Next Week

School Banking will not be available Tuesday 11th of June, it will resume on Tuesday 18th of June.

We love our volunteers

The P&C would like to thank all our volunteers for their generous donation of time and skills week in, week out.

Do you know someone who helps and deserves recognition? Please put their name in the "Thank You" box in the office. Moreover, remember to put your own name in the box each time you volunteer!

June Volunteer of
the month

Loren

We would also like to say a huge thank you to Mel and Mick from Alstonville Plaza Butcher and Deli who will be donating a \$20 voucher each month to one lucky volunteer.

What's happening?	When?	Where?
Fundraising Meeting	3 July, 6 pm	The Tavern
P&C General Meeting	7 August, 7 pm	Staff Room

You can reach the P&C team via wollongbarPC@hotmail.com, <https://www.facebook.com/wollongbarPC> or Anna (President) on 0410.594.676



Everything you need to get sticking

In this kit you'll find:

- **School banner and A2 poster x1** – Put these up to let everyone know that you're collecting.
- **A1 poster x2** – Put these up in classrooms for kids to stick their stickers on.
- **Sticker sheet x1** – Stick your stickers on here to help you keep count.
- **School collection box x1** – Put this somewhere where everyone can see it and put their stickers in. Feel free to decorate it to give it a unique touch.

Extra ways to earn

Bonus stickers
You can earn bonus stickers when you book and attend a Fresh Food Kids Discovery Tour. Visit woolworths.com.au/discoverytours for more information. T&Cs apply.

Your local Woolworths store can also help
Each Woolworths store will have a limited number of collection boxes, so please get in early and visit your local Woolworths as soon as you can to claim a box.

The collection boxes in store fill up fast, so you'll need to ensure you regularly empty yours so your community can keep giving you more stickers! When Earn & Learn ends, you'll need to stick any loose stickers on to sticker sheets.

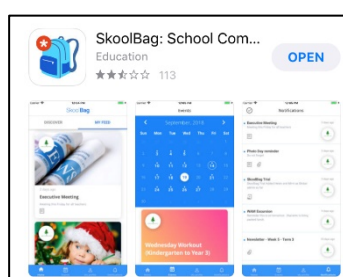
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We've also got a suite of assets you can freely use in your communications to parents to help promote your collection drive. Just visit teaching.com.au

Information Pack

Let's stick together with Earn & Learn

1 May to 25 June 2019

In this information pack, you'll find everything you need to help your school earn a fantastic range of equipment.
That's why I pick Woolies



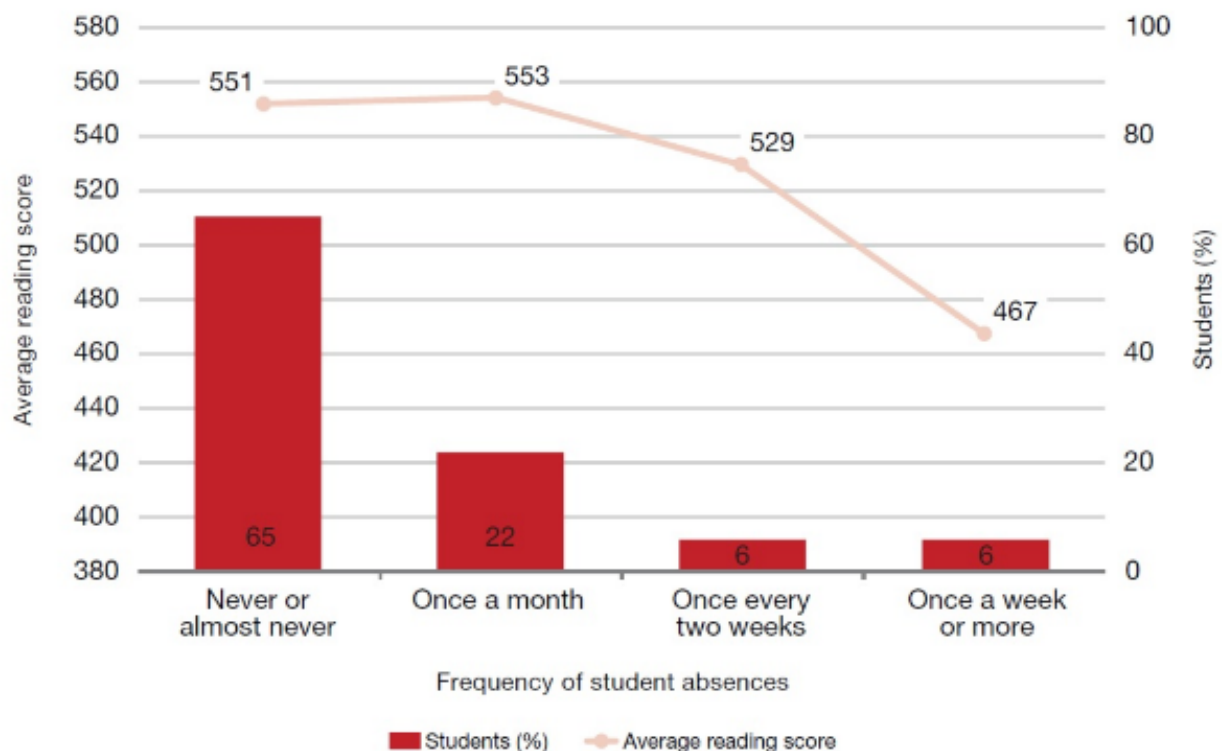
School Communication

The School App: Have you downloaded our new school app, Skoolbag on your phone? It is available for free via the App store or Play Store. The Skoolbag App is used to send instant notifications to parent's phones about upcoming events or cancellations, and also contains other school information. Search for the Skoolbag app. Sign up using your email address and then go into the app to add Wollongbar Public School as one of your registered schools.

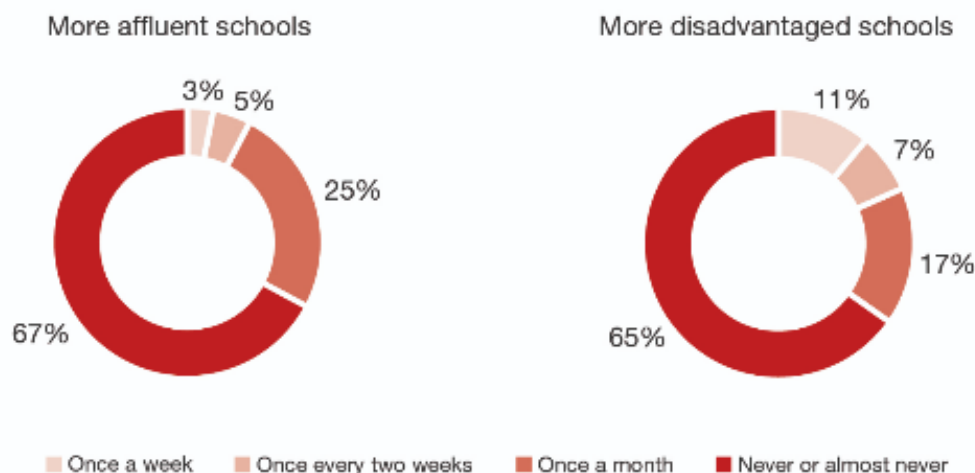
Reading achievement and student absenteeism

In PIRLS 2016 (Progress in International Reading Literacy Study), students were asked about behaviours that could limit reading instruction*. Here are some of the results for absenteeism.

Australian data show a clear relationship between student achievement and absences from school. Fewer absences are associated with higher average achievement in reading.



Here are the differences and similarities in the frequency of student absences according to school socioeconomic background.



Students' own reports of the frequency with which the behaviours occur.

Source: Thomson, Sue; Hillman, Kylie; Schmid, Marina; Rodrigues, Sima; Fullarton, Jessica (2017). PIRLS 2016: Reporting Australia's results. Melbourne Vic: Australian Council for Educational Research (ACER). Accessed July 2018 via: <https://research.acer.edu.au/pirls/1/>



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Timetable for Wollongbar

Wednesday 13th March
2.15pm – 4.00pm

Wednesday 27th March
2.15pm – 4.00pm

Wednesday 10th April
2.15pm – 4.00pm

Wednesday 24th April
2.15pm – 4.00pm

Wednesday 8th May
2.15pm – 4.00pm

Wednesday 22nd May
2.15pm – 4.00pm

Wednesday 5th June
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Wednesday 19th June
2.15pm – 4.00pm



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Important Dates:

Kindergarten Appointments and Tours: 25th July to 26th October 2019

Transition Day 1: November 1st 2019 12pm – 3pm

Transition Day 2: November 8th 2019 12pm – 3pm

Transition Day 3: November 15th 2019 12pm – 3pm

Transition Day 4: November 22nd 2019 12pm – 3pm

Big Day at School: November 29th 2019 9am – 3pm



Book your Kindergarten Appointment and Tour by contacting the school on 6628 1302

For more information, please contact Wollongbar Public School on 6628 1302

Or by email: Wollongbar.p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Catholic Families Parent Information Night for First Eucharist

The Parent Information Night for First Eucharist will be held on **Wednesday 26th June** in the **St Joseph's School Staffroom at 6.00 pm**. The meeting will address the meaning of the Sacrament of Eucharist and will be the opportunity to organise the various groups for home instruction. This will involve all parents from both Government schools and St Joseph's.

All children who are in Year 3 and beyond and who have received the Sacrament of Confirmation are eligible to receive First Eucharist. Enrolment forms can be downloaded from the parish website at **alstonvillecatholicchurch.org.au**

For enquiries please phone 6628 3047 Monday—Thursday.