



# Wollongbar Public School

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Principal: Jennifer Thomas

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2020

Term 1, Week 2

Volume 1



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## Calendar

### Week 3

12/02 Final Camp Payment  
Due Stg 2

14/02 Assembly  
11:30am

### Week 4

19/02 Parent/Carer Info  
Night

21/02 Assembly  
11:30am

### Week 5

28/02 Assembly  
11:30am

### Week 6

04/03 P&C Mtg  
7:00pm

06/03 Assembly  
11:30am

### Week 7

11/03 Final Camp Payment  
Due for Stg 3

13/03 Assembly  
11:30am

### Week 8

20/03 Assembly  
11:30am

### Week 9

25/03 Rivers Road Show  
9:30-11:30

27/03 Assembly  
11:30am

### Week 10

01/04 Stg 2 Camp Begins  
P&C Mtg  
7:00pm

03/04 Assembly

For more events on our  
Calendar, please go to:

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

## Principal Report

**Welcome to 2020 at Wollongbar Public School everyone.** Over the next few weeks we will include a lot of information in our Newsletter about procedures, expectations and upcoming events at Wollongbar- remember that our Newsletter is always the main source of communication between home and school and it is important that you keep reading it every week.

**Our Parent & Carer Information Night is on Wednesday 19 February.** Sessions run for 30 minutes in the classrooms and are a great opportunity to meet your child's teacher and hear about the year ahead.

5.30pm	KR & K/1N
6.00pm	1CT, 1/2B, 2S
6.30pm	2/3M, 3K, 4A & 4M
7.00pm	5/6J, 5/6M & 5/6B

Jennifer  
Principal

## 2020 Planner

Term 1	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
2	3 Feb. Dance Fever Program	4 Feb.	5 Feb. Kinder Commence 7pm P&C Mtg	6 Feb.	7 Feb. No Assembly
3	10 Feb. Dance Fever Program	11 Feb.	12 Feb. Final Camp Payment Due Stg 2	13 Feb.	14 Feb. Assembly
4	17 Feb. Dance Fever Program	18 Feb.	19 Feb. Parent/Carer Info Night	20 Feb.	21 Feb. Assembly
5	24 Feb. Dance Fever Program	25 Feb.	26 Feb.	27 Feb.	28 Feb. Assembly
6	2 Mar. Dance Fever Program	3 Mar.	4 Mar. 7pm P&C Mtg	5 Mar.	6 Mar. Assembly
7	9 Mar. Dance Fever Program	10 Mar.	11 Mar. Final Camp Payment Due for Stg 3	12 Mar.	13 Mar. Assembly
8	16 Mar. Dance Fever Program	17 Mar.	18 Mar.	19 Mar.	20 Mar. Assembly
9	23 Mar. Dance Fever Program	24 Mar.	25 Mar. Stg 2 Camp 9:30-11:30 Rivers Road Show	26 Mar. Stg 2 Camp	27 Mar. Stg 2 Camp Assembly
10	30 Mar. Dance Fever Program	31 Mar.	1 April. 7pm P&C Mtg	2 April.	3 April. Assembly
11	6 April. Dance Fever Program	7 April.	8 April.	9 April.	10 April. Assembly

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Who	Event	Due Date	Cost
Kindergarten	Northern Star Feature	Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> of February	\$0
Years 3 & 4 - 2020	Coffs Coast Adventure Centre 2020	Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> of February	\$60 / Student
Years 5 & 6 - 2020	Great Aussie Bush Camp 2020	Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> of February Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> of March	\$100 / Student \$100 / Student
Whole School	Dance Fever 2020	Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> of February Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> of January	Kindergarten 2020 / \$22.50 Years 1-6 2020 / \$25

#### Payment Options:

**Online with credit card:** Visit the **school website** and click on the **'Make A Payment'** tab to pay online and return permission notes to the front office the next day.

**Cash & Cheque:** paid to the front office with the permission notes.

**Eftpos by 1pm:** paid to the front office **before** 1pm with permission notes.

## Home Reading

The Home Reading Program is highly valued at Wollongbar Public School. The program encourages reading each day at home to enhance reading skills, strategies and fluency. Children need to read significant volumes of text at home and at school in order to develop appropriate vocabulary and language. Our students will tell you **'The more you read, the more you learn'**.



Parent support is vital to this program. Please talk to your child's teacher about how you can help support the program as a Home Reading Volunteer in the classroom. It takes approximately 10 minutes to help change books. This will start later in the term.

The Home Reading Program works on 'Nights of Home Reading', not books read each night – children can read Home Reading books as they are learning to read and then read texts for leisure as they become more fluent readers, reading pages or chapters per night as the text volume increases.

**Years 1-6 begin from the first day back at school**, being Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> January 2020. A 'Home Reading Log' or 'Home Reading Diary' has been sent home for students or parents to record texts read each night. The Home Reading Logs are then returned regularly for the teacher to track Home Reading progress. By reading each night from the first week of school, students in Years 1 – 6 have the opportunity to achieve 300 nights of Home Reading within the school year.

**Kindergarten start the program later in Term 1.** If they read each night from when they start the Home Reading program, they will have the opportunity to reach 250 nights of Home Reading.

The following are the guidelines for the program:

- Home Reading Logs/Diaries are sent home for recording daily reading at home. This does not need to be a book per night, it can be a chapter of a book or articles in a magazine or newspaper, part of a digital text or a section of an information text. It is not how many books, it is how many nights of reading that we record. Children from Years 3 – 6 may start to read their own texts at home to record on their Home Reading Log.
- Students receive a certificate and Blue Award for 100 nights of Home Reading.
- For 200 nights of Home Reading, a Blue Award, certificate and book are given.
- For 300 nights of Home Reading students are awarded with a Blue Award, certificate and a pen. These are given out at the end of year Presentation Day assembly.
- Students in Kindergarten are awarded at the Presentation Day assembly for 250 nights of Home Reading in the same way as students in Years 1-6 are for 300 nights of Home Reading. This recognises that they start the Home Reading Program later than other students and recognises their commitment to reading in their first year of school.
- Students are given Blue Awards for 25, 50, 75, 125, 150, 175, 225, 250, 275 nights of Home Reading from their class teacher.
- Students from Kindergarten to Year 2 are encouraged to borrow leveled books from the class Home Reading selections and can read books they have at home also. Years 3 to 6 can access the Home Reading leveled texts but generally move towards reading books of their choosing for interest and independence.

Happy reading.

Wollongbar Public School Literacy Team

**'Children are made readers on the laps of their parents.'**

**Emilie Buchwald**



## Library

### Scholastic Book Club

The best gift any parent can give a child is the love of books and the joy and benefits of independent reading for fun. Children who read at home, or are read to, have a head start on reading success.

Our school is participating in Scholastic Book Clubs this year. Up to twice a term during the school year I will send home a Club catalogue with a different selection of books offered for all ages. You will find award-winning books and best sellers, as well as old and new favourites. The books span a wide range of children's reading levels and interests and are inexpensive (some books cost as little as \$2).

It is easy to order. Just look over the catalogue with your child, select the books you want, mark them on the order form at the back of the catalogue, and return the order form to the front office with payment by the due date. The Book Club **LOOP** platform for parents allows you to pay by credit card. Your child's order is submitted directly to school safe and sound and the books will be delivered to class. You can place your child's order at [scholastic.com.au/LOOP](http://scholastic.com.au/LOOP) or using the LOOP app, which can be downloaded from the App Store or Google Play. Instead of stamping or writing by hand the due date of Book Club on every individual Book Club catalogue, we will be publicising the due date in the school newsletter. The due date is also clearly displayed in the school office area and each class teacher is provided with the due date on a note when given their Book Club catalogues.

The books will arrive around two to three weeks after the order is sent to Scholastic. Owning your own books is something special! I hope that you will encourage your child to order books this year. Each order helps earn free books and teaching materials for our school, however, there is never any obligation to order.

For more information about the books in this offer, you can visit the Scholastic Book Clubs website at [www.scholastic.com.au](http://www.scholastic.com.au). You will also find great activities and resources for you and your child.

The first issue of Book Club has been sent home and is due on Wednesday, 12<sup>th</sup> February 2020. Please ensure your child's name is clearly written on ALL Club catalogues. Unfortunately we cannot take late orders.

Leanne

Library Administrator

### Library Class Timetable

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
10.00-11.00am	4A			3K	
11.30- 12.30am	4M		2S	2/3M	
12.45-1.45am	5/6M	1/2B	1CT	K/1N	
2.15-3.15am	5/6J	5/6KB		KR	

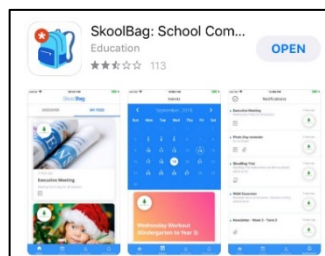
### Merit Awards

Merit awards need to be handed in to the Office on a Monday morning by 9:15am to be included in the Assembly that week.

Megan

Student Administrations Officer

### 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.

# Wollongbar P&C

## Welcome back!

We are thrilled to see everyone back at school and settled in their new classes! We had a great P&C Meeting last night and warm welcomed to the new members who joined us last night.

Now, let's think about the fun coming up this term...

## School Fete: 21 March

A Fair to Remember will be here before you know it!

Pre-paid ride passes available for \$30 (\$35 on the day) from the School Office using the below form or online <https://tinyurl.com/wollPC/fete>.

**Congratulations to the winners** of our poster colouring contest who will each receive one free ride pass and have their drawings featured in our advertising:

## A Fair To Remember

## Wollongbar P&C FETE

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March, 2020

9am – 2pm



## Want a stall at the Fete?

Businesses can book a fete stall for \$30. Spots are limited.

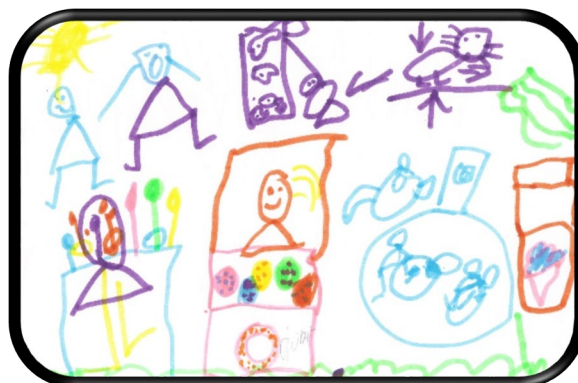
Contact Anna 0410 594 676 to reserve your stall.

## A Fair To Remember

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Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> March

9 am – 2 pm





# **Don't leave your tickets to the last minute!** **Get your cheap tickets NOW!!**

Purchase your ride pass for **\$30** and save \$5. (Passes are **\$35** on the day). An All-Day ride pass will provide unlimited entry to:

- **The Rock Wall**
- **Wild West Jumping Castle**
- **Extreme Ninja Warrior Obstacle Course**
- **Teacups Ride**
- **Chair-o-plane**
- **Extreme Fun-run slide**
- **Laser skirmish**

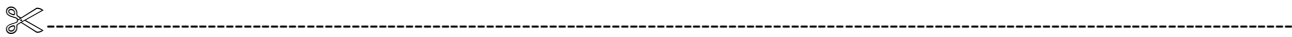


## **WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

### **Can you help at the Fete?**

Please contact Anna if you are able to help out on the day of the fete.

To purchase your ride passes, please complete the attached form below and return to the office in a clearly marked envelope with the correct change. Many thanks and see you at the Fair, March 21<sup>st</sup>. Tickets will be on sale until 17<sup>th</sup> March 2020. [Please allow 3-5 days for receipt of ride ticket purchase.](#)



### **A Fair to Remember Ride Pass**

Child's name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

Contact name and number \_\_\_\_\_ email (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

Adult available to volunteer at the fete: (circle) **Yes** No

Number of ride passes (\$30 each) \_\_\_\_\_

Amount enclosed \$\_\_\_\_\_

Waiver: In consideration of your acceptance of this entry, I hereby for myself, my executors and administrators waive any and all rights and claims for damages I may have against Wollongbar P&C, its respective representatives and successors and all sponsors, and will hold them harmless from any injury suffered in this event. Also, none of the above is responsible for the loss of neither personal items nor any other form of aggravation in connection with this event. I have been warned that all ride pass holders must be in good health to participate in the event. Selecting the adjacent checkbox indicates that you have read and agree to the full waiver located here: <https://sites.google.com/view/wollongbarpcfundraising/fete/waiver>



## Tombola Jars & Beautiful Baskets

Your children will be asking you to get tombola jars and baskets ready for our stalls at the fete. Classes who bring in the most jars or baskets will win a movie and popcorn courtesy of the P&C.

### So, how do you make a Tombola Jar?

Take a clean empty jar and fill it with lollies/craft items/toys/treats that children would like. Send the jars to school with your kids.



We'll be sending supplies home soon to make the beautiful baskets.

At the fete, we sell numbered tickets and participants win the tombola jar / beautiful basket with the matching number.

## Second-hand books and toy stall

We are looking for good condition second-hand books and toys for a stall at the fete. If you have any unwanted items books or toys in working order, please drop them off at the office.



## Keep in touch

Although this newsletter is the official communication channel for the P&C committee, you might also want to like our Facebook page as we strive to post regular updates about things happening at and around the school: <https://www.facebook.com/wollongbarPC>

Find us on 

## Canteen update

Stay tuned we will have some information for you soon!

## School Banking

Thank you to Helen for volunteering to be our 2020 Banking Coordinator, banking will start from next Tuesday the 11<sup>th</sup> of February.



## P&C Calendar

Thank you to everyone who attended last night's first P&C meeting. It was great to see familiar faces and some new ones too!

Our next meeting is on Wednesday 4 March and will include the AGM. There will be executive positions vacant for those who might be interested in volunteering, check back soon for more info or get in touch with one of the current P&C members.

<i>What's happening?</i>	<i>When?</i>	<i>Where?</i>
<b>Fundraising Meeting</b>	4 March, 6 pm	Tavern
<b>P&amp;C AGM and General Meeting</b>	4 March, 7 pm	Staff Room
<b>A Fair to Remember</b>	<b>21 March</b>	<b>WPS</b>



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



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## HEALTHY LUNCHBOX WEEK

19-25 January 2020

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- recipes
- fact sheets
- videos

[www.healthylunchboxweek.org](http://www.healthylunchboxweek.org)



#HEALTHYLUNCHBOXWEEK



## Alstonville Hockey Come & Try/ Sign On/ Pre season Training Evenings



All Ages Welcome 4 years +

Tuesday 11th Feb 2020- 4:30-5:30pm

Tuesday 18th Feb 2020- 6:00-7:00pm

Tuesday 25th Feb 2020- 4:30-5:50pm

Tuesday 3rd March 2020- 5:00-6:00pm



Follow us on facebook "Alstonville Hockey Club"  
or at

<https://www.revolutionise.com.au/ahc/>



### WOLLONGBAR ALSTONVILLE RUGBY CLUB

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