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Term 1, Week 9

Volume 8



Education
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Calendar

Term 1 2025

Week 9

27/03 50 Nights of
home reading

28/03 EOI's for Yr 7
2026 close

Week 10

03/04 Cross Country -
Hill Park Oval

04/04 12:45pm Whole
School Assembly
1/2VP & 6A

Week 11

07/04 Stage 3 Final
Camp Payment
Due

11/04 12:45pm ANZAC
Day Assembly

Last day Term 1

Term 2 2025

Week 2

09/05 12:45pm Whole
School Assembly
KS & 3M

Families can also access
this information on their
Compass App Calendar

Principal Report

P&C

Last night our Wollongbar Public School P&C held their AGM and General Meeting, where we discussed the planning and development of our Preschool. Congratulations to the newly elected P&C Committee and we look forward to working with you throughout 2025.

Cross Country

Our Cross Country will be held on Thursday 3 April at Hill Park Oval. Students will dress in their house colours in readiness to cheer on their peers. There will be an opportunity for students who are not competing in their competitive age race to run in a 'Lap for Points' fun run.

Fingers crossed that this persistent weather stops in time so we can safely run our Cross Country. A decision will be made and communicated via Compass on Tuesday afternoon if we need to postpone the Cross Country.

Save the Date

Term 2, Week 2, Thursday 8 May we will be holding our Grandparents and Family Day with a Pop-up Book Fair. This is a fantastic opportunity for grandparents and family members to look inside classrooms, engage in an activity, share a picnic lunch and purchase quality books from the Pop-up Book Fair.

Stage 2 and 3 Camps

Our Stage 2 and 3 camps are quickly approaching. Students are excited to step outside their comfort zone, experience new things and connect with their peers and teachers. With Stage 2 heading to Coffs Coast Adventure Centre and Stage 3 making their way down to The Great Aussie Bush Camp, students are in for an exciting time away. If you wish to see some of the activities students will be engaging in, please use the links below.

Coffs Coast Adventure Centre: [School Camp NSW | Coffs Coast Adventure Centre](#)

The Great Aussie Bush Camp: [Gallery : Aussie Bush Camp](#)

Final camp payments are due via your Compass Parent Portal by the following dates:

- Stage 2 is due by Friday 11 April
- Stage 3 is due by Monday 14 April

Crunch & Sip

Crunch & Sip time is an opportunity for us to refuel our bodies and be ready for learning. By the time we get to our second Crunch & Sip after Recess we are usually very hungry. Can you please make sure your child has enough fresh fruit and vegetables for the second Crunch & Sip?



Boyfriends and Girlfriends

Over the last couple of weeks, we have had a number of conversations with different grades, about boyfriends and girlfriends. At our school there is a rule - we DO NOT have boyfriends and girlfriends at Wollongbar PS. In our age group, we are busy learning about having and being a good friend.

5-13 year olds are still learning the important skills involved in forming friendships, resolving friendship issues and how to manage having a number of friends at once. Our students' young brains are not yet developed and equipped to navigate boyfriends and girlfriends. These notions also tend to encourage inappropriate behaviours that our children are not yet ready to navigate.

You might like to talk about these ideas at home also. We would greatly appreciate families reinforcing our messages with your children.

Brendan

Relieving Principal

Year 6 to 7 Transition to High School

From Monday 3 March to Friday 28 March 2025, Year 6 Parents and Carers can submit an online Expression of Interest (EOI) or Placement Not Required (PNR) for High School. To do this, go to the **Moving to High School page** by clicking on the Enrolments tab on the school website or clicking on the link: <https://wollongbar-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/about-our-school/enrolment.html>

It is important that you submit an EOI if you are applying for a position in a Private or Independent School and have not yet received notification of acceptance.

If Parents and Carers would prefer to complete a paper form, please come into the office to collect one. Paper forms are due to the office by Friday 28 March 2025. For further information please call the office on 6628 1302.

Katie

Stage 3 Supervisor

Home Reading

Home Reading started on our first day of school which was Thursday 6 February for Years 1-6. Please keep an eye out in your child's school bag for our Home Reading Logs, which were sent home in Week 3, Thursday 13 February. If you require a new Home Reading Log please contact your child's teacher.

Students are asked to read each day (books, magazines, websites, brochures, the newsletter - it all counts!). Record each day of reading in the Home Reading Logs. You might read a chapter or several pages of a book each day over the week. Each DAY of reading counts (it is not counted as each book).

Students return reading logs weekly to their classroom teacher. Teachers will organise Blue Awards to recognise each 25 days of Home Reading. When students reach 100 and 200 nights, their name is published in the newsletter, and they will receive an award at our whole school assembly. When students reach 250 (Kinder) and 300 nights, they receive an award at Presentation Day in December.

Remember, the more we read, the more we learn!

Rebecca & Meghann

Home Reading Coordinators

Ice blocks for sale on Cross Country Day

After our Cross Country on Thursday, our House Captains will be selling ice blocks for \$2.00.

Katie
Assistant Principal



2025 School Cross Country Carnival

We are really excited to have you be part of our annual Cross Country Carnival. This event will be held on Thursday 3 April with the back up date of Thursday 10 April.

No doubt the students will be excited and proud to have you cheering them on and creating a great atmosphere. Students are encouraged to wear their house colours. Please also pack a full lunch, water bottle, hat and sunscreen.

The start and finish line of each race will be on Hill Park Oval. This area will be the best space to view the race and interact with others. All students will be down on the oval watching and supporting their peers.

We hope this is a fun and positive day for the whole school community.

The program will run as follows: (Times are approximate)

1. 7 yrs girls / 7 yrs boys	1 lap	10.00 am
2. 6 yrs girls / 6 yrs boys	1 lap	10.15 am
3. 5 yrs girls / 5 yrs boys	1 lap	10.30 am
Lap for points – fun run – all students		10.45am
4. 8/9 yrs girls / 8/9 yrs boys	2 laps	11.15 am
5. 10 yrs girls / 10 yrs boys	2 laps	11.40 am
6. 11 yrs girls / 11 yrs boys	3 laps	12.00 pm
7. 12/13 yrs girls / 12/13 yrs boys	3 laps	12.30 pm
8. Pack up from 1pm		

If you have any questions, please contact me via the Office.

Many thanks,
Chris
Cross Country Coordinator

Canteen Communication

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The quickest and easiest way for us to communicate about the canteen, is through the Flexischools app. To ensure you receive all the latest updates and information, please ensure your app is up to date and you have the notifications turned on. You should be able to turn notifications on in settings on your device. If your child is away on the day of their lunch order, we would really appreciate it if you could let Foodworks Wollongbar know as soon as possible.

The easiest way to do this is to call us on 6628 1677 or send an email to skcatania@outlook.com. Please do not message us on Facebook. Thanks so much for your understanding and support.

The team at Foodworks Wollongbar

Gold Awards

Congratulations to the following students who are receiving a Gold Award
(Gold awards are handed out at stage meetings)

Happy Birthday!

Wishing the following students a very Happy Birthday!

(Birthday awards are handed out at stage meetings)

Stewart House Charity Drive 2025



Stewart House offers a residential program for children from Year 2 to Year 8 who are enrolled in public schools in NSW and the ACT. This experience provides children with a much-needed break from their current circumstances through educational programs designed to develop their social and emotional skills, build self-esteem and improve their overall wellbeing. All costs associated with the children's stay are met from charitable donations.

Today your children received a Stewart House Donation Drive envelope. If you would like to donate, please place a donation of at least \$2 in the envelope or pay online using the QR code on the envelope. All envelopes must be returned to the Office **by Friday 2 May** to go in the draw. All donations will be sent to the Stewart House charity. We appreciate your support.

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Many tracks, one road, sustaining community.
Northern Rivers Community Gateway

**MyAwesomeDay at
Rainbow region Kids OUTSIDE SCHOOL
hours childcare**



After school, the RRK educators pick us up, and we dive into a **fun afternoon**. Today, it's all about **craft!** We cut, glue, and sprinkle glitter everywhere—oops! I make a **colourful** mask, while my friends create puppets and cards. Before I know it, Mum's here. "Look what I made!" I say, holding up my masterpiece with a big **smile**.

**RRK is a PLACE FOR CREATIVITY,
friendSHIP and FUN... every day
is an ADVENTURE!**



**BOOK
now**

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