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Term 3 of 2018

Week 10
27th July 2018



Welcome back!

Welcome back to Term 3! I hope you all had a refreshing break. We have some fantastic learning happening this term.



Firstly, Lea Smith and I attended a small Schools Conference in Tamworth on Sunday and Monday before returning to school on Tuesday. We both gained a lot from this conference that is geared specifically towards small schools. It was beneficial to meet other principals, teachers, office managers and staff from small schools to address some of the particular issues we encounter in our setting. We also listened to Bruce Sullivan, who was the keynote speaker, and we have got our happy pants on! No more cranky pants from the bottom drawer!

This term also sees Miss Hayley coming every Friday to teach dance. The students are loving it and already have a 42 second dance routine sorted – and today was the FIRST lesson! I can't wait to see what they will achieve after their 10th lesson!



We also have Life Education lessons and sports games day at Woodstock Public School. It is always great to spend time with children from other schools, building those connections that will carry into high school and beyond.



Dates to Remember

July

30th Healthy Ears Program

August

3rd Pyjama Day

3rd Dance

6th-10th

Education Week

10th District Athletics

10th Dance

10th Scripture

16th Art Gallery Excursion

17th P&C Meeting

17th Bunnings—Tree Planting

17th Dance

20th-24th

Book Week

24th Dance

24th Scripture

24th P&C Meat Raffle

28th Life Education

31st Dance

September

2nd Woodstock Show

6th Recycled Art Excursion

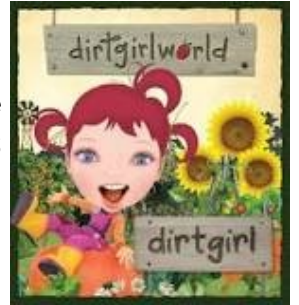
7th Dance

13th Cowra Library



Another connection we have with Woodstock is the unit "I Fish" which has been developed by the Department of Primary Industries and modified for small schools by the wonderful teachers at Woodstock and shared with us. The children will be learning all about fish, fishing, sustainability, and we will finish it all off next term with a day of fishing, supported by our very own Wyangala Fishing Club. I can't thank the fishing club enough for organising and running this event for our kids to enjoy.

Our theme for this term is The Environment and through our One Schools connection, we will be working more closely with Euchareena and Stuart Town schools learning about the natural and man-made effects on the environment, and sharing our work on a fortnightly basis via video conferencing. Dirt Girl is coming to Orange in November, and we will all attend this show as a way of celebrating our learning together. We will also be participating in the Recycled Art project and thanks to Jackie and Robert for all their hard work with the students to make the artwork. We will visit the art gallery to get some ideas for other art activities, then to 131 Pizza to make some Unrecycled pizzas for lunch. We will also visit the Cowra Materials Recycling Facility (MRF) when we see the Recycled Artworks, and we'll be visiting Woolworths as well. Maybe we can convince them to use less plastic in their packaging.



Mrs Wheeler and Robert have got the garden looking fantastic and we are all looking forward to harvesting and then cooking and eating our lovely fresh food. The children are working busily on their scarecrows.

Mrs Carter is focussing on the Library and PDH this term, and with dance also happening on Fridays, I guess I have resigned myself to saying that it is FRIDAY FUNDAY!



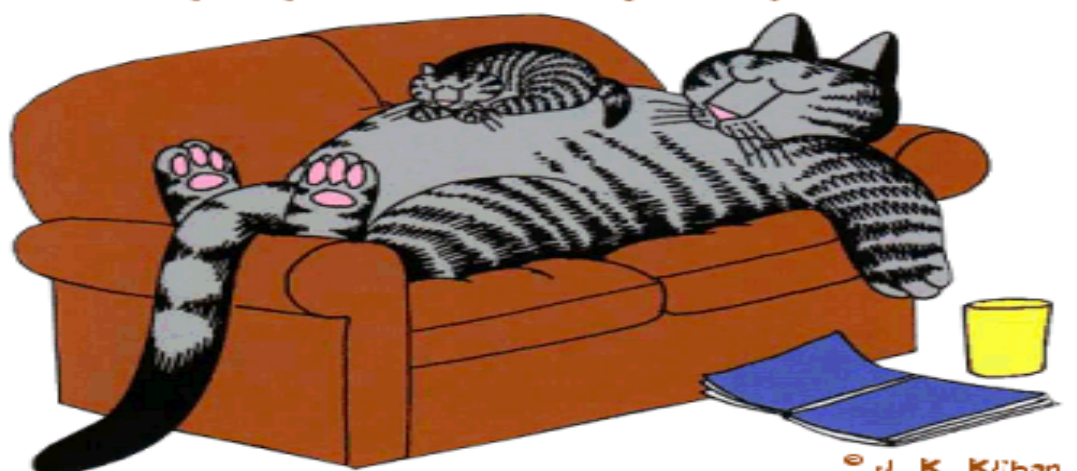
If you have any newspapers you don't need, we will need LOTS for our recycled art project and we'd be really, truly grateful if you would drop them into us at the school.

Wishing everyone a safe and restful weekend,

Mrs Clark

Acting Principal

**It's Been A Rough Week.
Let's Get Some
R&R This Weekend :)**



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Dance with Hayley Barker

Every Friday 10am to 11am
from 27th July to 28th September 2018

National Pyjama Day

Friday 3rd August 2018

Wear your pyjamas & bring a gold coin!



Art Gallery & Pizza

Thursday 16th August

Permission note included in this newsletter



P&C Meeting

Friday 17th August 2018

8.30am in main classroom

Wyangala Dam Public School has a mobile phone for excursions, etc. Please only use in case of emergency whilst we are away from school. The number is

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Library Day is Friday

School Banking Day is Tuesday



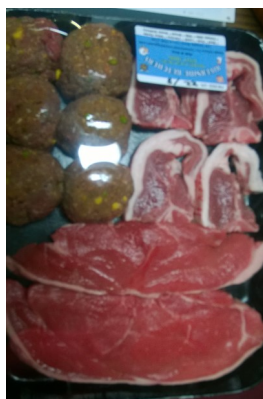


Dance

Date – Each Friday,
from Friday 27th July 2018
to Friday 28th September 2018
Time – Dance from 10.00am to 11.00am
Where – Wyangala Dam Public School
Who – All students K-6

Table Tennis

Date – To Be Advised
Time – To Be Advised
Where – Wyangala Dam Public School
Who – All students K-6



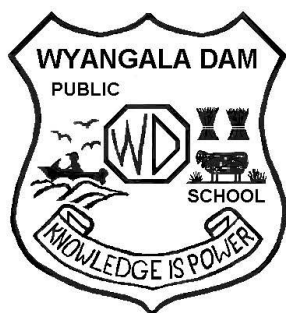
Wyangala Country Club P & C Meat Raffle Friday 24th August 2018 6.00pm

Come and support our local small school.

Tickets on sale from 6.00pm and raffle drawn
approximately 7.30pm

If you are available to assist in the selling of tickets please
come along to the Wyangala Country Club.

All assistance greatly appreciated



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Dear Parents/Caregivers,

We will be visiting the Cowra Art Gallery to view the exhibition from the Australian War Memorial ('AWM') *Remember Me: The Lost Diggers of Vignacourt* and pizza at LT131pizza. Details regarding the visit are as follows:

<u>Date</u> –	Thursday 16 th August 2018
<u>Time</u> –	Depart from school at 9.15am Cowra Art Gallery 10.00am to 12.00pm LT131Pizza from 12.30pm to 2.15pm Return to School at 3.00pm
<u>Where</u> –	Cowra Art Gallery, 77 Darling Street, Cowra LT131Pizza, 145 Kendal Street, Cowra
<u>Who</u> –	All students K-6
<u>Transport</u> –	Wyangala Country Club Courtesy by driven by Mrs Sue Clark and Mrs Lea Smith
<u>Uniform</u> –	School Uniform
<u>What to bring</u> –	<u>Packed recess, lunch and a drink bottle</u>

Please complete the attached permission note and return to school by Monday 13th August 2018.

Kind Regards,
Mrs Sue Clark
Acting Principal

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COWRA ART GALLERY, COWRA & LT131PIZZA, COWRA PERMISSION NOTE

I _____ give permission for my child/children _____

to attend the Cowra Art Gallery to view the exhibition from the Australian War Memorial ('AWM') *Remember Me: The Lost Diggers of Vignacourt* and pizza at LT131pizza on Thursday 16th August 2018.

I understand that transporting my child to and from Cowra will be by Wyangala Country Club Courtesy Bus driven by Mrs Sue Clark and Mrs Lea Smith.

I understand that the vehicles will be departing school at 9.15am.

My child has the following special/medical needs - _____

I consent to my child/children receiving emergency care if required.

Signed _____

Date _____

National Pyjama Day

We're hosting Pyjama Day to raise awareness
and funds for kids in care and we'd love if you
could join us!

Friday 3rd August 2018
Wyangala Dam Public School

Wear your pyjamas to school and bring a gold coin donation



donate today at www.nationalpyjamaday.com



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Get involved in the School Banking program.

Wyangala Dam Public School is excited to offer the Commonwealth Bank School Banking program to all students.



School Banking is a fun, interactive and engaging way for young Australians to learn about money and develop good savings habits. Children who deposit money into their Youthsaver account through School Banking earn Dollarmites tokens, which they can save up and redeem for exciting rewards.

The rewards available for Term 3 2018 are:

Mighty Boom Handball
Heat Reactor Pencils



School Banking is also a great fundraiser for our school. Our school receives a Regular Savers Contribution of \$5 for every 10 deposits processed per student as well as an Annual Contribution which is based on the number of students who made at least one School Banking deposit in the prior year.

Getting involved in School Banking is easy!

All you need to get involved in the School Banking program is a Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account. You can open an account for your child in one of two ways:

1. Online

Visit commbank.com.au/schoolbanking and click on the link to open a Youthsaver account.

2. In branch

Visit a Commonwealth Bank branch with identification for yourself and your child, like a driver's licence and birth certificate.

If your child has an existing Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account they can start banking straight away. They just need to bring their deposit in every week on School Banking day using their Dollarmites deposit wallet.

School Banking day is TUESDAY. Each week you need to hand in your completed deposit book to the classroom teacher.

If you would like to know more about School Banking, please ask for a 2018 School Banking program information pack from the school office or visit commbank.com.au/schoolbanking

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Student of the Month



Tahlia

June 2018

Today as part of National Tree Day for Schools we planted 50 grasses and shrubs in the school grounds

Thank you to the Cowra Shire Council for the donation of these plants and the 100 plants planted by The Big Lift.

Also, a big thank you to OzPlants for the donation of the tree surrounds and stakes used around all 150 plants.

We also have Bunnings coming to visit on Friday 17th August to plant some trees with us.

When these plants grow the garden is going to look better than ever.

national
tree day

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Wyangala Dam P&C

The Big Lift lends a hand around Wyangala



The Big Lift in Wyangala

Courtesy of The Cowra Guardian

Forty students from the University of Technology, Sydney (UTS) descended on Wyangala Golf Course and Wyangala Dam Public School on Sunday to lend a helping hand as a part of the volunteer program, The Big Lift.

The students spent the morning creating a butterfly garden and doing some landscaping at the school, while another group helped paint barricades for flower beds and cleaned up debris at the golf course.

Wilyln Carrascal from The Big Lift said it was the second day of a nine day journey to Melbourne.

"We go to nine different towns, we've got two buses with 80 students, today we've got 36 students with us, half of us are here at the school and half at the golf course," she said. "The other group is in Mandurama."

The next stop on the journey will be Ganmain before the students head to towns such as Harcourt, Finley and Whitton and towards Melbourne, where they will form a flashmob in Federation Square and perform Random Acts of Kindness on the streets.

Along the way, the students volunteer to help community organisations with different projects while they stay in community, school or church halls each night.

Wilyln said it gives city students the chance to see rural communities. "A lot of people haven't been to rural towns so even hearing the (Wyangala Dam Public) school has five students, it was mind-blowing," she said. "Everything we do, even though it seems like it's not that big of an impact for the community, it is... we just wanted to give back to the community."

One of The Big Lift crew members, Rachel Nordon, said the trip also gives students the opportunity to learn new skills.

"One of these girls has never painted something like a building before, another guy at the other place had never planted a tree, it sounds really naive but... it's good they are learning these skills," she said.

She said the opportunity to Pay It Forward is the reason she keeps coming back each year.

"It's a very addictive feeling once you get started, The Big Lift shows us it's okay just to help someone and not get anything in return or not expect anything in return," Rachel said.

"We've found with the townspeople, they've been incredibly responsive and generous, it creates that connection between student and town."



We really appreciated the efforts of all the students of The Big Lift. At school 100 plants planted, 5 truck loads of mulch spread onto the gardens and the pruning of two trees, as well as the projects at the Wyangala Golf Club.

We have heard that you really enjoyed your dinner at the Wyangala Country Club ("best dinner of the whole trip") and your stay at Reflections Holiday Park Wyangala Waters.

We will pass on your THANKS to Uncle Wayne for his delicious relish that you all loved. Looking forward to you visiting again.

