

WYANGALA DAM PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Term 1 of 2019

Week 10
2nd April 2019



Dear Parents, Carers, and
Community Members,

Week 10 - only one more week to go
until the students and staff have a
well-earned break. I'm not sure what
happened to the first nine weeks of
term though!



While I often feel like I miss out
on the "good stuff" – like the
Questacon visit, the Wyangala
Ramble, pumpkin scones,
pumpkin soup, and much more, I am very fortunate to
be able to engage with other principals and schools, to
see how things can be done differently, get more ideas
around the teaching and learning activities we
undertake, and to understand the business side of
running a small school.

On Thursday last week, Lea and I went over to
Canowindra High School for a "school financial health
check". Lea is all over the administration side of things,
so I really enjoyed participating in this professional
development, and consolidating my learning. I still have
much to learn, but I am gaining a solid understanding of
the administration side of the teaching principal role.

Thursday afternoon saw me travelling to Canberra with
principals from other Primary Schools. On Friday we
started out with a visit to Jerrabomberra Public School,
which opened in 2002, to house 400 students. On
opening day, over 800 students enrolled! Hard to
imagine, but it was great to see a big school in action
and seeing how the students work in such a busy
environment. The second school we visited was
Queanbeyan South, which has reduced its enrolments

Dates to Remember

April

- 9th P&C AGM
- 12th PJ Day for Asthma
- 12th Last Day of Term 1
- 19th Good Friday
- 22nd Easter Monday
- 25th Anzac Day
- 29th Staff Development Day
- 30th First Day Term 2

May

- 3rd Responsible Pet
Education Program
- 10th District Cross Country
- 13th-17th
NAPLAN
- 17th Walk Safely to School
- 21st GRIP Leadership
conference
- 22nd National Simultaneous
Storytime
- 24th CSSSA Athletics
Carnival
- 31st Back Up - CSSSA
Athletics Carnival

June

- 9th Wyangala Fireworks
- 10th Queen's Birthday

July

- 5th Last Day of Term 2
- 22nd First Day of Term 3

from over 1000 to around the 400 mark, since 2002. This was a very different school, working on its standing in the community. It has a dedicated pre-school, a fantastic kitchen garden, and an engagement program for all Stage 3 students, including the support students, utilising the expertise of former Canberra Raiders NRL player, Alan Tongue. It was interesting to see how these two schools approach the delivery of their teaching and learning programs, and I have brought back some ideas to trial here. The afternoon was spent in conference and building those important collegial relationships.

While I was away, the children went crazy in the kitchen with Mrs Carter, making delicious scones and soup from pumpkins that were very kindly donated by Reg & Pat Cannard.



Questacon was, by all accounts, A M A Z I N G! The students from Koorawatha and Woodstock, along with our Wyangala Dam kids, had a wonderful time participating in the show, then eating Lea's delectable baked potatoes, before heading off for a walk through Wyangala. A big thank you to Aaron for dropping Mrs Carter and the students back to school before heading back to Koorawatha.

This Thursday, Mrs Carter and I are heading over to Mulyan Public School for some professional development around programs, scopes and sequences, One Schools, etc. Mrs Nottingham will be here for the day, and will be leading engaging learning activities for our students. They always have a lovely time when Mrs Nottingham is here!

Next week is the last week of term, and we will packing a lot into these last few days.

As always, have a great week!
Cheers,
Sue Clark
Relieving Principal

IT'S A GOOD
WEEK TO
HAVE A
GREAT WEEK!

Wyangala Dam Parent's & Citizens' Committee AGM

Next Meeting

Tuesday 9th April 2019, 8.30am

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 **0401 614 184**



Classroom News

from Ruth Carter

We were so fortunate to have a donation of some pumpkins. We used these to create a mammoth amount of food. We set about cutting and chopping pumpkin to cook and then include in the recipe for scones and pumpkin soup. We had so much soup left over that we have a supply in the freezer.

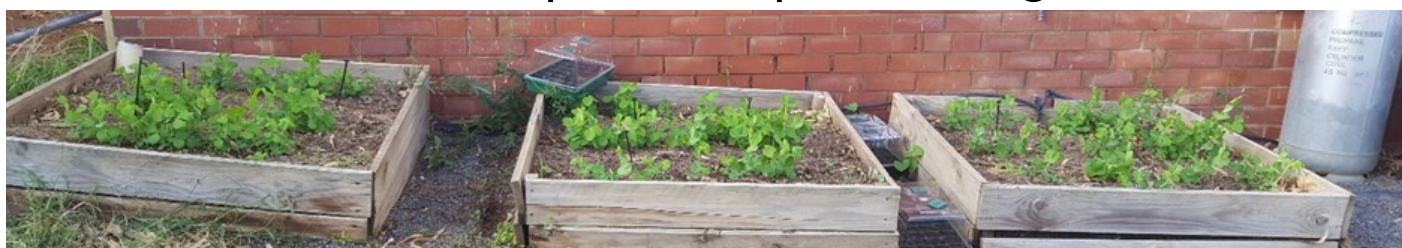


With previous experience of cutting onions with the result of red, sore, crying eyes, Felicity and Chelsea donned a pair of goggles each to ward off those nasty symptoms. I did not hear any complaining this time of sore eyes and they did a wonderful job of cutting ALL the onions without the tears. A feat not achieved on the last cutting of onions.

Wonderful fashion girls!!



A fabulous crop of snow peas in the garden.



Cowra & Young Family Connections and Ability Links NSW
invite you to get your groove on and join us for an
all inclusive...

FAMILY DISCO



**Thursday 18th
April 2019**

Where: Cowra Civic Theatre — 77 Darling Street Cowra
(fully accessible venue)

Time: 5pm-6:30pm (followed by a free sausage sizzle)

Who: Children 12yrs and under with a parent or guardian (Parents and guardians must stay at the event)

COST: FREE

Please purchase your free ticket through the eventbrite.com.au website by searching Eventbrite Cowra Family Disco!!!

For more information please contact Kim Henry on 0418 115 383



**Very soon
the Responsible Pet Education Program
is coming to visit you at your school!**



My pet dog will be coming to help teach you how to be safe around dogs and how to say hello to dog with their owners!



There will be lots of listening, role plays, singing and some dancing.



My dog may even meet you during the visit.

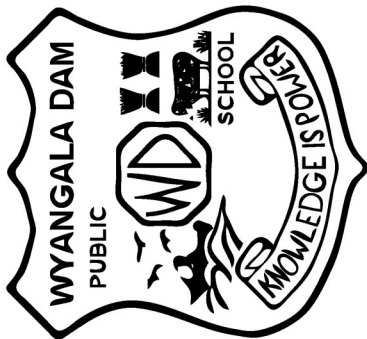
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Wyangala Dam Parents &
Citizens' Association

Annual General Meeting

Tuesday 9th April 2019

8.30am

RSVP on 02 6345 0804.



Wyangala Country Club P & C Meat Raffle

Friday 26th April 2019

6.00pm

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.



Operation Art is coming to Cowra Regional Art Gallery

We are holding full day visual arts workshops for students in Stages 1-3.

Presented by specialist teachers, workshops cover topic areas including painting, printing, drawing, mixed media and sculpture. Workshops are designed to extend skills and artmaking experiences beyond the classroom.

Stage 1 - (Year 1 & 2) - Monday 1 July 2019

Stage 2 - (Year 3 & 4) - Tuesday 2 July 2019

Stage 3 - (Year 5 & 6) - Wednesday 3 July 2019

PLACES ARE LIMITED!

BOOKINGS CLOSE FRIDAY 21 JUNE 2019 UNLESS FILLED PRIOR

HOW TO BOOK:

1. Parents visit the Arts Unit website to complete the online enrolment form to book a place <https://www.artsunit.nsw.edu.au/visual-arts/operation-art/operation-art-student-workshops>
2. Download the 'Permission Checklist' and 'Permission to Publish Form' and return to Operation Art - Locked Bag 1500, Petersham NSW 2049 by the closing date, Friday 21 June 2019
3. Use the following link to make payment before Friday 21 June 2019. Please select 'Program: Visual Arts' and 'Payment for: Operation Art Workshops' in the drop down menus <https://www.artsunit.nsw.edu.au/student/payment>

For Further Information Email: opart.artsunit@det.nsw.edu.au

COST: \$50.60 (incl GST) per student per day

VENUE: Cowra Regional Art Gallery
77 Darling Street, Cowra NSW 2794

TIME: 9:00am - 2:30pm

SUPERVISION: Students are supervised by Operation Art tutors from the Department of Education. Teachers are not required to attend workshops.

Students participate in 3 workshops including mixed media, printmaking and sculpture. All materials provided.

Please arrive to collect your child at 2:30pm for a presentation of the day's work

WHAT TO BRING/WEAR:

Closed in shoes are required - wear comfortable art making clothing and paint shirt
Ensure student name is marked on belongings & leave unnecessary valuables at home
Bring carry bag to help take your artwork home
Please bring recess and lunch. Do not bring food containing nuts.

CONTACT DETAILS:

Heidi Windeisen
Operation Art Project Officer
Ph: (02) 8512 1195

WORKSHOP / BOOKING ENQUIRIES:

Visual Arts Support Officer
Ph: (02) 8512 1197
Email: opart.artsunit@det.nsw.edu.au

Partners



Wyangala Dam Social Golf Club

Easter Classic

Saturday, April 20th, 2019



18 hole 2 person Ambrose Event

Make up your own team, or we can get you a partner on the day.

Registration: 9:30am

Tee-off: 10am First 9 holes
12:30pm BBQ Lunch
1:30pm Back 9 holes

Cost: \$15 includes golf & lunch

Prizes: Winner & Runner up, Nearest the Pin, Novelty Events

Come & enjoy a fun golf day & a delicious lunch

BYO DRINKS

Contact: Julie Taylor taylor18951@gmail.com

Tel: 0263220439

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Anyone can help you Earn & Learn

Earn & Learn only runs for a limited time, so spread the word and get everyone helping you collect stickers: kids, parents, grandparents, staff, neighbours and friends.

It's easy for everyone to stick together



Between 1 May and 25 June 2019, collect as many stickers as you can.



Stick them on the supplied posters or sticker sheets. Don't forget, you can always download and print extra sticker sheets at teaching.com.au



This time, you just need to count them up and let us know how many you've got. But it's important that you hang on to your stickers until your new equipment arrives.





Asthma Australia

Ever woke up and wished you could just stay in your PJs all day? Well now you can, all while helping out people with asthma.

Friday 12th April 2019

Join our Easter Family Night

FREE



Thursday 11th April 5-7pm

Bring the family along for a great night of fun!

- Easter D.I.Y. Workshops
- Visit from Easter Bunny
- Fun Easter egg hunt
- Easter activities for the whole family
- Light refreshments will be provided



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BUNNINGS





FREE FOOTBALL TICKETS

Hyundai A-League 2018/19 Western Sydney Wanderers v Sydney FC Saturday 13 April 2019 7.50pm ANZ Stadium

Thanks to the Western Sydney Wanderers, the NSW Premier's Sporting Challenge and ANZ Stadium, students and staff at your school have the opportunity to witness these two Sydney giants go head to head!

As your school is participating in this year's NSW Premier's School Sport Challenge, up to **four (4) FREE tickets** are available for *each* student and staff member to redeem for the match.

Tickets are limited so be sure to secure them quickly for what will be a great evening of rugby league. To take up this fantastic offer, students and their parents should follow the below easy steps:

1. Simply go to the website: <http://www.anzstadium.com.au/premiers-sporting-challenge/>
2. Register details.
3. Print out the voucher and bring it with them on the day to enter ANZ Stadium via the gate listed on their vouchers to sit in general admission seating.

For additional information, please visit the ANZ Stadium website by [clicking here](#).

Please note:

- *Students must have parental permission to participate in this offer.*
- *Each student is entitled to up to four (4) free tickets (limited to one registration per student).*
- *Match ticket voucher must be printed and presented at Stadium entry gates for entry to this match.*
- *There is a limit of 8,000 vouchers/tickets (redemption available to 2,000 individuals).*
- *Entry may be refused if match ticket vouchers are damaged or defaced in any way or redeemed in an unauthorised manner.*
- *If a match ticket voucher is resold or redeemed in an unauthorised manner it may be cancelled and the bearer of the ticket refused entry.*
- *Accessible seating is available within the allocated general admission seating area.*