

# Farmborough Road Public School

## Newsletter

TERM 1 WEEK 6 2018

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### Big Veggie Crunch



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### For Your Calendar

16/03	Rocks Excursion (Coolangatta, Giralang, Coolabah, Orana)
22/03	Last day to pre-purchase Lucky Stars
23/03	School Cross Country
23/03	TWILIGHT FAMILY NIGHT!
28/03	2019 Kindergarten Starters Open Sessions

### Assembly Dates

Every 2nd  
Friday –  
12:45pm  
9 March –  
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Onward  
And  
Upward

### 2019 Kindergarten Starters Open Sessions

If you are thinking of sending your child to our school next year, we will be hosting open sessions for the potential 2019 Kindergarten starters on Wednesday, 28th March 2018. There are currently 2 sessions available:

- Session 1 – 9:30am (A child minding service is available for this morning session)
- Session 2 – 7:00pm

These sessions will outline what you will need to do to attend school and how we can help you achieve this. Keep an eye out around the area for flyers!

### NAPLAN

NAPLAN tests the sorts of skills that are essential for every child to progress through school and life, such as reading, writing, spelling, grammar, punctuation and numeracy. It is important to remember that NAPLAN is not about passing or failing, but about assessing learning progress. This year and for the first time, students at Farmborough Road Public School will sit NAPLAN online. The test window for NAPLAN Online is Tuesday, 15<sup>th</sup> - Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2018. The test security period runs until Friday, 1<sup>st</sup> June 2018. Students will be tested on 4 areas:

- Writing;
- Reading;
- Conventions of Language; and
- Numeracy.

The Writing Test will be completed within the first 2 days of the test window. Year 3 students will sit the Writing test on Tuesday, 15<sup>th</sup> May and all Year 3 catch-up sessions must be completed by Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> May 2018.

### School Pick Ups

Parents are reminded that children are to be picked up promptly from school. If you are unable to do so, there are after school care options available through Farmborough Outside School Hours Care (contact Erin on 0425 228 764 or [farmboroughshc@gmail.com](mailto:farmboroughshc@gmail.com))



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## Coles Sports for Schools

Coles Sports for Schools is back to help Aussie kids stay fit and healthy. You can support our school when you shop at Coles as you'll receive Sports for Schools vouchers that we can exchange for sports gear.

The more vouchers you collect, the more sports gear we'll receive! Bring the vouchers collected to school and place them in the collection bins provided.

Start collecting today because the race is on!



## NSW Premier's Reading Challenge

The NSW Premier's Reading Challenge is now open for 2018. Students will be receiving a personal reading log to record their books. Year 3 -6 students will be shown how to enter their own books **online** during library time. K -2 students will be assisted by class teachers to complete their lists. Students can borrow Premier's Reading Challenge (PRC) books from the school or public libraries. Links to the PRC rules and book lists are listed below. You must complete your online Student Reading Record by 31 August 2018 (11:59pm) to complete the Challenge.

<https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/rules.html>

<https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/booklist/home.html>



## P&C News...

Dear Parents & Carers

The next P&C Meeting will be held next Tuesday night at 7pm in the staff room. Our Twilight Family Night is on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2018. You can now pre-purchase lucky stars at the office for only \$7! The five points on that star can be redeemed for a sausage sandwich, chips, a drink, an ice block and 5 mins on the jumping castle. No need for the kids to carry cash!

We also need volunteers on the night, so if you are available to help please let the ladies in the office know. We would love to hear from you!

**Erin Oxenbridge**

**P&C President**

## Uniform Shop News

Get ready for the cool weather early and beat the rush. The uniform shop is well stocked with V neck jumpers, warm polar fleece zip up jackets and trackpants. Maroon tights are also available now. The uniform shop is staffed by parent and grandparent volunteers. We are open every Thursday from 8.30am to 9.15am. We accept cash, cheque or credit card. Purchases made by credit card attract a 2% surcharge. We stock a full range of new school uniforms and secondhand items. Layby is also available. If you can't make it in on a Thursday morning please leave your order and payment with our lovely office ladies and we will have it ready for you to collect from the office the following Thursday.

## Birthdays...

Congratulations to the following students who celebrated their birthday this week.

Samuel – 07/03

Oscar – 07/03

Ruby – 08/03

Logan – 10/03

## Merit Awards...

### Term 1 Week 5

Congratulations to the following students who received merit awards this week:

**Jimboomba**

Sophie, Blake

**Matong**

Ava-Lee, Freija

**Myaree**

Mia, Oscar

**Yangah**

Jade, Blake

**Coolangatta**

Justin, Beau

**Giralang**

Ella, Shaeleigh

**Yulara**

Cynthia, Janelle

**Merinda**

Lily, Corey

**Coolabah**

Michayla, Lily

**Orana**

Xavier, London

**Balamara**

Cyrus, Caiden



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## Compost and Worm Farm Giveaway Bonanza Workshops

Join the Wollongong Council Green Team at Wollongong Library in March to find out the in's and out's of setting up and maintaining your very own Compost or Worm Farm. Don't waste valuable garden and food scraps that could be turned into your own 100% locally grown fertiliser. Make your garden, vegetables and flowers thrive! As a bonus, each registered participant will be able to receive a FREE compost bin or a FREE worm farm to take home.

**Workshop:** Worm Farming

**When:** Tuesday, 6 March 6pm - 8pm

[Complete the online form](#) to register to attend a worm farming workshop. (see link)

OR

**Workshop:** Composting

**When:** Tuesday, 13 March 6pm - 8pm

[Complete the online form](#) to register to attend a compost workshop. (see link)



**WHERE:** Both workshops will be held at Wollongong Central Library, 41 Burelli St, Level 1, The Lab

**BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL:** Use the online booking form (links above) to express your interest in attending. If you have any questions email the Green Team at [GT@wollongong.nsw.gov.au](mailto:GT@wollongong.nsw.gov.au) or phone (02) 4227 7111.

<http://wollongong.nsw.gov.au/services/sustainability/eventsandworkshops/Pages/default.aspx>

*\*The Compost and Worm Farm giveaway promotion is only available to residents of the Wollongong Local Government Area who have not received a free one already from prior workshops. Limit of one worm farm or compost bin per household.*

## Stewart Family House Donation and Clothing Appeal



Stewart House Donation envelopes will be sent home today. A \$2 donation will enter you into the draw to win a \$4,000 holiday. Please return your envelope with your details clearly marked on the back by **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April** to participate in the draw.

Students will also be bringing home Stewart House bags today. Please fill these bags with any good, clean wearable clothes, accessories and manchester you no longer require and return it to school for collection by Monday, 9<sup>th</sup> April.

If you need any extra bags please see us in the office.

## International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) Program

This year we are once again offering our students the opportunity to take part in the Australasian Schools Competitions run by the University of New South Wales Educational Testing Centre. This year, students in Years Two to Six have the opportunity to enter the Science, English and/or Mathematics competitions.

These competitions are completely voluntary and there is a cost associated with each competition entered. Please see attached information sheet for details and payment requirements.

Regards, Ms Suey



### What's On at your local high school Illawarra Sports High

## Study Hub

2018 has seen the commencement of the B16 Study Hub for Year 12 students. An exciting initiative, the Hub operates across the Year 12 timetable, providing a quiet and structured learning environment.

The Hub is outfitted with sixteen desktops computers, study nooks and a small collaborative space for HSC related workshops and seminars. A printer is also on hand for students' needs.

The Hub is manned by Mr. Melville, who is also the Rugby League co-ordinator. As Mr. Melville explained, "the objective is quality. Everything I ask of the students in my time overseeing their study periods is about that. We provide a disciplined environment in which the students can work free of distraction. It is only the start of the program, but it shows tremendous potential to really impact upon HSC results and be a point of difference for ISHS".

One of the first initiatives has been the individual diagnosis of learning styles for Year 12 students. Mr. Melville reflected that, "I remember in my HSC studying, lying on a bed and reading then drifting off to sleep. It wasn't until University, I learned that technique did not suit my learning style".

"I always thought it was Jane Austen putting me to sleep", he quipped.

"It's really important we empower the students with a self-awareness of what suits their learning style and what doesn't".



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# Twilight Family Night

6pm – 8pm Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2018

Celebrating the new school year with a family fun night to raise money for school literature resources!

## ENTERTAINMENT

- Lucky Dip (\$1)
- Jumping Castle(Gold Coin)
- Disco (Free!)
- Clue Hunt (Free!)
- Biscuit Decorating (Free!)
- Colouring-In (Free!)
- Face Painting/Hair Colour (\$2)
- "I'm a teacher – Get me out of here!" (Free!)
- For the adults: Chook Poo Lotto (\$2)
- Lucky Door Prizes (Free with star purchase)
- Book Store



## Food & Entertainment for the whole family!

### Pre-order your lucky stars now!

For \$7, the five points on that star can be redeemed for a sausage sandwich, chips, a drink, an ice block and 5 mins on the jumping castle.. No need for the kids to carry cash! When all points have been redeemed, pop the centre into the box for the Lucky Star Prize Draw.

**Stars must be pre-ordered by  
Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2018**  
and will be available for collection on the night

**Note: Sausage sandwiches, nachos, salad options and drinks are available for pre-order or these and other snacks can be purchased on the night (cash only until stocks run out).**

#### Payment Options:

1. ☐ Cash payment at office
  2. ☐ Credit card payment (2% surcharge) at the office
  3. ☐ Direct Deposit – Deposit monies into the P & C Account with your surname as the reference. Email your order, contact number and payment remittance to [frps-events@hotmail.com](mailto:frps-events@hotmail.com). Money transfers must be completed by Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March. Your order will be confirmed by return email.
- BSB: 641 800  
Account #: 200453488  
Account Name: Farmborough Road P & C Association



#### Twilight Family Night – Pre-Order Form

Family Name		Item	Qty	Cost
Child's Class		Lucky Stars (\$7)		
		Extra Sausages (\$2)		
		Salad Option (\$2)		
		Nachos (\$5)		
		Drinks (\$2)		
Total Payment (\$)				



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Students who participate will each receive a certificate and a detailed results letter indicating which questions they answered correctly, identifying the skill tested in each question and indicating the percentage of students across the state that answered each question correctly. The results letter is also useful for highlighting possible strengths and weaknesses.

The competitions will take place at our school and formal testing procedures will be observed. As this is an external event, the assessments will take place **before school, beginning at 7.45am.**

The entry fees and dates for the 2018 competitions are as follows:

Science	\$ 9.00	May 29th
English:	\$ 9.00	July 31st
Mathematics:	\$ 9.00	August 14th

Students may enter any of the competitions they would like to but a separate entry fee is required for each competition entered. If you would like your child to enter any of these competitions, please complete the return slip and send it back to school with the appropriate money **by Friday 6<sup>th</sup> April.** A minimum of 3 students in each test is required for the assessment to take place at our school.

Any entries received after this date cannot be accepted due to the deadlines set by the test administrators. If you would like any more information about these tests, please do not hesitate to contact me at school and I will be happy to speak with you.

Regards

Ms J Suey

Assistant Principal

### International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) Program 2018

I would like my child \_\_\_\_\_ of class \_\_\_\_\_ to participate in the following competitions for Year \_\_\_\_\_ (please circle):

Science	\$ 9.00	May 29th
English:	\$ 9.00	July 31st
Mathematics:	\$ 9.00	August 14th

I have enclosed/paid via POP \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to cover the cost of the competition(s). {POP number 2002000035}

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Guardian Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please return form and payment **by Friday April 6th.** Entry forms can be emailed to the office.

### Credit Card Authorisation Form

Charge my Credit Card Type: \_\_\_\_\_ Visa / MasterCard

Card No:           Expiry Date:  /  CVV

Amount: \_\_\_\_\_ Card Holders Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Childs Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_ Activity: \_\_\_\_\_



# Community News...

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community

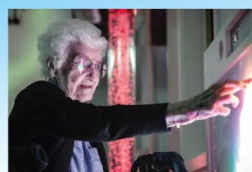
## SENSORY ROOM

CareWays Community Sensory Room is the result of community research built on best practice. It is open to the community and can be of benefit to all ages.

\$33 p/hr (inc GST) or include it in your NDIS plan

**Horsley Community Centre**  
82 Bong Bong Rd Horsley

To book, or for more information head to  
[www.careways.org.au](http://www.careways.org.au)  
or call 02 4260 8245 or 02 4262 1918



## Fit4Life™ Program

**Do you have a child aged 4-7 who is above a healthy weight?**

*Help them gain skills to get fit for life!*

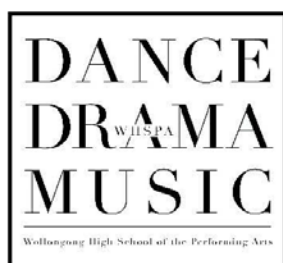
We are offering you and your child the opportunity to enrol in a free 8-week interactive program.

You will learn about healthy eating, physical activity and sleep and be involved in cooking sessions.

Your child will play active games each week, learn skills and meet new friends.

For more information  
phone: 4221 5670 or email  
[mhammers@uow.edu.au](mailto:mhammers@uow.edu.au)





## Wollongong High School of the Performing Arts

**Address** Lysaght Street, Fairy Meadow | PO Box 222, Fairy Meadow NSW 2519

**Phone** 02 4229 6844 or 02 4229 6434 | Fax: 02 42296030

**Website** [www.wollongong-h.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.wollongong-h.schools.nsw.edu.au)

**Email** [wollongong-h.schools@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:wollongong-h.schools@det.nsw.edu.au)

### **INFORMATION FOR PARENTS**

Dear Parents,

Wollongong High School of the Performing Arts (WHSPA) is a comprehensive, co-educational high school with a specialist performing arts focus.

The school has the twin goals of “academic excellence” and “excellence in the performing arts.”

Approximately 70% of the students enrolled at WHSPA have gained placement through the audition and workshop process. The school also enrolls students from local primary schools and students who have specifically applied to access the school’s academic programs.

Students can audition in **one** or **two** of the four arts disciplines (Dance, Drama, Music, Visual Arts) offered at our school. Please read the audition preparation and guidelines as set out below.

- Wollongong High School of the Performing Arts provides opportunities for students to pursue a high quality performing or creative arts program, whilst studying curriculum developed by the NSW Education Standards Authority (NESA).
- All courses lead to the award of the Higher School Certificate.
- The school also offers extensive company, ensemble and studio art programs for gifted and talented students. In Year 7 participation in an ensemble extension or studio art program is compulsory.
- Years 8 – 12 have the opportunity to audition for ensemble or company places outside their chosen auditioned area (whether they are in an elective or auditioned class).
- Ensemble and company places in Years 8 – 12 are limited and highly competitive.
- A levy is charged for all extension programs.

#### **Conditions**

- **A fee of \$40 (for 1 audition) or \$60 (for 2 auditions) is to be paid online before completing the audition application. The receipt number is to be recorded on the application.**
- Each audition is assessed on its own merits.
- **The audition panel’s decision is final and no appeal can be made except on procedure. Feedback on individual student auditions will not be given.**
- The purpose of the audition is for the school to select the top students as assessed by the audition panel.
- These are the conditions to which students and parents/guardians must agree when applying to audition.

#### **Audition Day**

- On the day of audition, students are to register at the WHSPAC window and are then taken to their audition by our friendly and very capable students.



### Offers and Reserve List

- Every year more students audition for our Performing Arts or Visual Arts programs than places available
- Offers of a place will be posted to families during Term 2, 2018.
- Students who are not initially offered a place may be placed on a waiting list and will be notified of this.
- Unsuccessful candidates will be notified by mail. Positions on the waiting list are determined by the student's audition ranking in their chosen discipline.
- **Information regarding student ranking or position on the Reserve List will not be provided.**

### Related Audition Application Material

Parents/Carers should complete the *Audition Application for Year 6 (2018) into Year 7 (2019)* online form.

Applications close Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March, 2018. Please ensure you attach a copy of the applicants Year 5 Semester 2 school academic report, Naplan results, Tutor report and a passport sized photograph.

Auditions/workshops will be held during the weeks of **22<sup>nd</sup> March – 11<sup>th</sup> April, 2018**. Specific days will be decided as numbers are received. Applicants will be notified by mail of the date and time of their audition/workshop. The Principal will have the final say in the number of students to be enrolled into Year 7. Successful auditioned students will be required to maintain a placement in the Dance / Drama / Music or Visual Arts program until the completion of Year 10.

### Please Note:

- *These forms are audition application forms for Performing Arts/Visual Arts students **ONLY**. They are **NOT** "Choice of Secondary Schools" forms.*
- *No correspondence or discussion will be entered into with the teachers after the audition process is finalised.*

Auditions are open now and can be submitted online through Wollongong High School of the Performing Arts website.

[Wollongong-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:Wollongong-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au)

Yours sincerely

Mr Paul Ryan  
Principal



## Preparing for the audition

### Dance:

- Students are to prepare an audition piece of up to a maximum of **two minutes duration**.
- Individual auditions will be stopped after two minutes.
- Students will also be involved in a workshop (to be held only one day).
- **Prepared pieces:** 9.00 am – 3.00 pm
- **Workshop:** 11.30am – 2.00pm
- **Parent Talk:** 2.00pm – 2.30pm (after workshop)

### Drama:

- Students are to prepare an audition piece of up to a maximum of **two minutes duration**.
- Individual auditions will be stopped after two minutes.
- **Prepared pieces:** 9.00 am – 2.30 pm

### Music:

- Students are to prepare an audition piece of up to a maximum of **two minutes duration**.
- Individual auditions will be stopped after two minutes.
- **Students are responsible for their own accompaniment.**
- **Prepared pieces:** 9.00 am – 2.30 pm

### Visual Arts:

- Students are to bring recent artworks including drawings, paintings, prints and photographs.
- Students will participate in a three and a half hour workshop.
- **Workshop:** 9.00am – 1.00pm

## Audition Guidelines for Applicants

### **Drama**

- Students are to prepare a **two minute** performance piece that demonstrates sustained characterisation.
- The audition piece must be learnt and not read.
- Students should avoid recitation of poetry and mimicking roles from popular movies.
- Sample monologues are available on WHSPA school website.

### **Music**

- Students are to prepare a **two minute** performance piece that demonstrates their technical and musical skills.
- Students are responsible for providing their own accompaniment.
- Instruments are to be tuned and ready to go at the applicant's allocated time, before entering the audition space.
- Backing track accompaniment needs to be on a USB in a wave or MP3 extension. Live accompaniment is permissible.

### **Dance**

- Students are to prepare a **two minute** performance piece that demonstrates technical skill and performance quality in their chosen style.
- Students need to demonstrate consistent alignment, strength and control of a range of locomotor and non-locomotor movement.
- The dance performance can be an excerpt of an existing routine in a style of choice.
- Students are to be changed into appropriate dance attire for their performance and the workshop in the afternoon.
- Applicants are to have their music recorded on a USB, (with only the audition track). No CD's, phones or laptops. It will need to be a music file, not garageband.
- Any students wishing to audition in tap are to inform us of this on the application form.
- No makeup or costume is required.
- Hair is to be tied up off their face.

### **Visual Arts**

- Students are to bring artworks of a reasonable size that demonstrates abilities in one or more studio areas.
- Students will be provided with all materials during the workshops however an apron or similar is suggested to protect clothing.