



Wideview Public School

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Messages from the Principal

Dear families

Welcome back to Term 3. Wideview is a kind and thoughtful community, and we are grateful for the community care we have experienced this past week. We look forward to a term full of learning, celebrating and community connections.

COVID safe measures

Yesterday an email outlining the Department of Education safety measures aligning with NSW Health and community guidelines was sent via a SchoolBytes email to families. Please familiarise yourself with the latest information. We will continue to communicate updates throughout the term. The information shared by the Department, guided by NSW Health is to expect an increase in COVID positive cases in the coming weeks. We will continue to send community alerts of known COVID positive cases on school site to families. Students have access to masks in all classrooms if they choose to wear them. All indoor spaces within the school have hygiene stations for students, staff and visitors to regularly access.

Showcasing our beautiful school

Tim McCallum (Executive Director, School Performance, Regional North) and Ros McCallan-Jamieson (Director Educational Leadership, Mooney Mooney) visited Wideview PS on Tuesday. We were delighted to be able to showcase a snapshot of the wonderful ways our students engage in their learning. Our senior band performed two spectacular pieces, our Stage 2 debaters had Mr McCallum in the hot seat and 4AT and Mrs van Epen used paddle pop sticks to test forces and energy in a Science lesson. As budding young scientists, our students are learning to investigate why experiments don't always go to plan. Questioning and analysing how the experiment could be improved became the challenge for the class after our visitors left. It's always the way, when the visitors leave, the experiment works! We sent Mr McCallum a video of the second attempt, and he shared in our excitement stating how brilliant this was and congratulated all of our students for their enthusiastic approach to their learning. Well done Wideview!

Students in the Spotlight

2M were right back into maths with a fun m&m graphing activity keeping them busy this week. Miss Much shared some great photos and was so impressed with the questions and discussion that came from the students interpreting the data.

5P created the most beautiful artworks at the end of Term 2. I have had numerous staff stop in just to check out the quality pieces of art. Thank you 5P for the mini art gallery in the Principal office 😊

Some excited KH students visited the office in their Library session and impressed me with their factual writing pieces they had created about bees and sharks.

Congratulations to Marcus M for making it into the Sydney North Softball Team! The team is competing in the NSW PSSA championships in Mudgee late August. What a sensational effort! We can't wait to hear the results.

We wish our recorder group students all the very best for their exciting Opera House rehearsal coming up next week, supported by Mrs McNaught.



Term 3 Events

Term 3 is set to be another busy space for our whole school community. On SDD (Day 1 of the term for staff) we participated in wellbeing activities, collaboratively planned together in grade and stage teams, discussed assessment and data practices in our school and worked on developing activities to support our school plan for Semester Two.

Today families will receive notes regarding Public Speaking for all students K-6 and the Teddy Bears Picnic Excursion for Kindergarten. School Swimming Scheme information will be sent to Year 2 families Thursday of Week 2. The Term 3 parent calendar was shared last term. The calendar section of the newsletter has

been updated to a link to the school website calendar. As this is the first newsletter of the term, I have included some updates and new dates here as follows:

July

25 July – Our first Monday afternoon assembly - Athletics Carnival ribbons will be presented from 2:25pm.

26 July – Junior and Senior Spelling Bee Finals - A SchoolBytes email was sent yesterday to families.

28 July – OC Test - A SchoolBytes email was sent yesterday to families.

August

8 August – The first ICAS test 'Digital Tech'. All parents of students participating in any ICAS assessment will be emailed specific details by the end of Week 2. ICAS assessments will occur before school hours this year.

14 August – A second Working Bee has been planned to continue the extensive garden works at the Lonsdale Rd entry to school. Please come along and join us in continuing to make this space fresh and inviting.

28 August – Wideview PS are holding a stall at the Woodchop Warrina St oval day. More details to come.

September

20 September – SAVE THE DATE - Year 6 Fundraiser Extravaganza! More details to come!

P&C Information

Our school's P&C is supported by many sub committees of dedicated parents and carers. Any support you can offer as a volunteer is always greatly appreciated. The P&C canteen coordinators would love to welcome parents and carers who can help in any capacity. Please reach out if you are able to assist.

The P&C also contribute to many events throughout the term. Some new dates are as follows:

1 August – Percussion Group performance at assembly 2:25pm

14 August – the combined school and P&C Working Bee as described above

24 August – Musicale at Asquith Girls High for Senior Band students

28 August – Senior Band, Junior Band and Percussion performance – Woodchop Warrina St oval. Time TBC

late August – Father's Day stall on-site (and online prior to this date) dates TBC

15 December – Junior and Senior Band Carols under the Stars Warrina St oval. Time TBC

Winter Uniform

With Winter well and truly setting in, please ensure all jackets and jumpers are labelled. Our students take a lot of pride in their uniform, and I thank our Wideview families for ensuring students are dressed suitably for the season. We still expect students to be wearing their school hat at the breaks and weekly sport sessions.

Attendance

Please ensure if your child is absent from school, you explain your child's absence through written or verbal communication. Please ensure any COVID positive case absence or close contact information is notified to

the school. Completing the online absent form through the app or contacting the school office is greatly appreciated.

Please continue to read the remainder of the newsletter for additional school and P&C information.

Kind regards,

Rebecca Pitts

Principal

Debating Club – Semester 2

Debating Club resumes this Friday, 22 July. It is now open to all students in Years 3 to 6. As Debating Club is held outside of normal school hours, students interested in learning debating and speaking skills must collect a permission note from Mr Smith in the library. Debating Club is held in the library every Friday morning from 8.15 until 9.00. Completed permission notes can be returned to the library or brought to debating on Friday morning. Students who participated in Semester 1 are invited to return; they are not required to complete a new permission note. Debating Club is supervised by Mr Smith and Mrs Donahue.

Drawing Club now welcomes Stage 2 students

Drawing Club resumes Tuesday Week 2, 26 July and is now open to all students in Years 3 to 6. Students interested in learning new drawing skills or improving their existing skills are welcome to attend. Students must complete an expression of interest form at the library. If students are new to Drawing Club they will need to bring their own A5 or A4 size visual arts diary; they are available from Officeworks or Kmart for around \$5. Drawing Club is held during the second half of lunch (1.35-2.00pm) every Tuesday in the library. Students are supervised by Mr Smith and Miss Hayward.

Too Cool for the Pool!

Congratulations to Zoe D of Year 6!

The 2015 12Yr Girls Breaststroke record has fallen!! The record was 49.47, set by Cara S.

In the 2022 Swimming Carnival Zoe swam the 50m Breaststroke in 47.17! Congratulations Zoe! Your name is now in the record books. We hope you get to keep it there for a long time!

Mrs LV

Wideview Facebook Page

Have you joined our Wideview Facebook page yet?

Join now by following this link:

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100069468585129>

You can find our page guidelines here:

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1OIdsgDWPV5OZNLmHcFfr0qVAJrzEs5to/view?usp=sharing>

Please note, as per our guidelines, for privacy and protection, please do not tag photos of children, and please do not name them in your comments. Students may be named by the school Facebook administration team.

We are looking forward to sharing many of our wonderful Wideview moments with you this term.

Unwell at School

Any student or staff member who is unwell and/or displays symptoms of COVID-19 will be asked to go home and remain offsite until they can complete a RAT or PCR test.

- If symptoms continue, they should stay at home and take another RAT in 24 hours or have a PCR test.
- If the second RAT or initial PCR test result is negative and they are displaying no symptoms OR they are diagnosed as another condition such as hay fever, the student or staff member can return to school.

NSW Health and the Department of Education would like to remind our schools of the full list of COVID-19 symptoms that communities should continue to look out for.

Unexplained chest pain and conjunctivitis (eye infection) have also been reported as symptoms of COVID-19. If anyone develops any of these symptoms they should get tested and isolate until they receive a negative test result.

When completing an absence note we kindly ask that you please be specific in terms of reasons, if only 'unwell' or 'sick' is noted the school will need to contact you for further information.

If a student or staff member is unwell and has any [symptoms](#) they should always test for COVID-19, either with a rapid antigen test (RAT) or PCR (nose and throat swab) test.

Symptoms include:

- fever (37.5 degrees celsius or higher)
- cough
- sore throat
- shortness of breath (difficulty breathing)
- runny nose
- loss of taste
- loss of smell
- nausea/vomiting
- loss of appetite

Other reported symptoms include:

- fatigue
- acute blocked nosed (congestion)
- muscle pain
- joint pain
- headache
- diarrhoea

If the test comes back negative for COVID-19, the student or staff member should still not return to school until either:

- the student no longer has any symptoms, or
- a medical certificate is provided to the school confirming that symptoms are explained by another diagnosis (such as hay fever).

It is important that students do not attend school if they are unwell, even if they have tested negative for COVID-19. RATs can produce false negative results and symptoms of other illnesses can also be similar to COVID-19, including flu, the common cold and stomach bugs. Health advice is that students who are sick should always stay home to rest and recover and avoid putting other students and staff at risk of getting sick.

A reminder that if a student records a positive RAT, they/their family must register the positive test on the [Service NSW website](#) or [Service NSW app](#) so they can be linked to important health care support and advice. Please remind your parents and carers to ensure that they select your school name when prompted when registering a positive test result for their child.

School Calendar

Please follow the link to access the school calendar: <https://wideview-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/school-calendar.html>

Merit Awards

Congratulations to our award recipients for Term 2 Weeks 9 & 10

KGM	Luca B, Summer I	KH	Piper C, Maggie E
1D	Matilda W, Saskia C, Theodore A	1M	Billy R, Jesse E, Archer H
1/2S	Luke D, Sophie B, Lewis F, Sophia B, Emily D, Lewis D	2F	Maia S, Addi N-K
2M	Milla S, Sienna M	3C	Edwin H, Emma L, Summer M-D, Chloe Y
3H	Addi P, Chloe M, Noah M, Holly F, Isabella H	4AT	Luke R, Georgia D, Hayley M, Hannah B
4C	Declan F, Luke P. Nathan T, Jacob B, Hunter M, Silka V, Lucy D, Jason S, Grace D	4/5L	Hayley M, Irie A, Jake S, Toby S-D, Natalie R
5P	Liam W, Doug O, Evan B, Cooper G	6LA	Mikey W, Hanna L, Dylan Y
6T	Grace G, Marli F, Patrick G, Samantha G		



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P&C Update

July P&C Meeting outcomes

Save the date! 14 August next Lonsdale Road Working Bee – Community Garden project

Following the success of our Working Bee in Term 2, we're rolling up the sleeves again on 14 August to spread some more mulch at the Lonsdale Road entrance to the school, as well as put together the remaining garden beds that will be a part of the community garden.

Save the date – a volunteer page and more information will follow in the coming weeks.

Thankyou Wideview WOOSCH team!

We'd like to recognise and acknowledge our WOOSCH team as we approach OOSH educators' day on 27 July!

Thank you for all you do in creating a nurturing space through before and after school care, as well as our vacation care activities.

WOOSCH are currently holding a Sock Drive fundraiser – check out the flyer later in the newsletter.

Wideview Disco a raging success!!

A huge thank you to Anita and all our volunteers who made the Term 2 Disco a wonderful event for our children.

A great night was had by all and drop us a line at wideviewpandc@gmail.com or comment on our Facebook pages if your family would like to have a similar event in Term 4.

Wideview Disco – this time for parents!!

Why let the children have all the fun? Your P&C is currently putting place arrangements for a parents' and carers' disco for Term 3 (to be held off school grounds) – would you like to be involved?

Get in touch via [P&C Volunteers](#) and let us know!!

Follow our pages:

Join our volunteers page at [P&C Volunteers](#) to get involved, as well as the general [Wideview P&C Facebook Page](#) to keep up to date with our activities.

We are active in our school community many ways – follow our activities via the following pages:

[Uniform Shop](#)

[Canteen](#)

[Wideview Out of Hours School Care \(WOOSHC\)](#)

Band – email wideviewband@gmail.com

[P&C Volunteers](#) – follow this page to find out opportunities on how to get involved in our upcoming events and projects.

If you own a business that would like to support our P&C, please reach out to us at wideview-pandc@gmail.com – we'll certainly let our community know via the newsletter and Facebook page that you've supported our non-for-profit organisation and wonderful volunteers.

Next meeting and getting involved

Our next meeting will be held on 15 August 2022 at 7:00 pm in the library – come along and get involved. We encourage everyone to renew their membership to make your vote count – and get involved in what is going to be a great end of year.

To become a financial member, \$1 membership is to be paid to the P&C account or via QKR!.

The bank details are:

Name: Wideview P&C Building Fund

BSB: 633000

Account number: 163071582

We welcome input from all those present during discussions held at P&C. We note that only financial members of P&C can raise motions and vote on P&C items.

Here's to a wonderful term ahead!

Kind regards,

Shayne Sommer
P&C President



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WEEK 1

Our P&C run Healthy School Canteen aims to provide fresh, healthy foods to our school community for orders via QKR for recess and lunch!

CAN YOU HELP THIS TERM?

Are you free on any of these days to help in the canteen?
Even just an hour after school drop off would be perfect!

WEDNESDAY 14 SEPTEMBER

THURSDAY 15 SEPTEMBER

Send us an email to wideviewcanteen@gmail.com OR
via facebook message from our page Cafe 4 Kids - Wideview

FROZEN TREATS

Frozen Treats are **highlighted in BLUE** on lunch bags. Remind your children that if there is **BLUE** on their lunch bag to bring it to the canteen to collect their frozen treat.

PRICE INCREASES

Due to increases from all of our suppliers there have been a few price increases.

Thank you for understanding.

LOVE OUR ANZAC SLICE? You can have it at home!

Order a slab of Anzac Slice via the Recess menu for same day home delivery or pickup from the canteen!
\$8 per slab, that's 18 slices!

