

Term 4 Week 1



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Messages from the Principal

Welcome back to our students, staff and families.

Term 4, here we go! We are off to a wonderful start with our students returning to school with positivity and excitement for the term ahead.

We love welcoming new students to Wideview. Mrs McGirr was greeted this week to Lani and Emma who were excited to introduce their new friend, all ready in school uniform to start at Wideview 😊



Showcase – Change of Dates

At the end of the holidays, we were made aware of the save the date for the community event 'Carols Under the Stars'. This event is scheduled for Thursday, 7 December which was the original evening Showcase date. We have therefore moved our Showcase dates forward. The new dates are as follows:

Tuesday, 5 December – matinee 11:30am and twilight 5:30pm performances

Wednesday, 6 December – evening 7pm performance

Information regarding ticketing and general Showcase updates will be sent through all communication channels on a regular basis leading up to the exciting extravaganza!

Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)

Each week in Term 4, the school will have a consistent focus on a PBL message. This week's focus is 'Being ready to learn'. Congratulations to our students for getting back into the swing of school after a two-week break and demonstrating commitment to being on time for school, on time for class, organised with their equipment and respectful of their peers. Such a great start to Term 4 for our students. Keep it up Wideview!

Check In Assessments (CIA)

Late Term 3, Year 6 students completed assessments for writing, reading and numeracy. This term, students in Years 3, 4 and 5 will complete CIA for reading and numeracy. Students will be supported by their classroom teacher when completing the assessments. Whilst there is an approximate time for each test, there is no time limit. Students are encouraged to work at their own pace. The CIA data is used by teachers to continue to monitor and identify strengths and areas of improvement for individual students.

Zones of Regulation

Each week in Term 4, teachers will demonstrate strategies to support students with their emotional regulation. This week's strategy is 'Stretch and Breathe'. 2F students are featured this week showing us two new 'tools' they can keep in their imaginary toolbox for when they may need them.



Week 1: Reach and Breathe

Breathe in while fanning your fingers open wide as you reach above and lift your chest to the sky. Breathe out while you relax your chest and close your fingers together. Take four more breaths the same way. Feel your breath go in and out as you reach and your fingers open and close.

Why to try?

Combining stretching with deep breathing lets our muscles relax while getting our blood flowing.

What a Superstar!!

On Tuesday, Emma represented Wideview at the Sydney North PSSA Athletics Championship which was held at Sydney Olympic Park Athletic Centre.

Emma competed in the 100m sprint and came 1st in her heat qualifying for the final.

In the final, she came 9th running 100m in 16.4 seconds, which was only 0.74 seconds slower than the winner! What a fabulous achievement, Emma! We couldn't be prouder of you!



Selective High School Placement Test - Current Year 5 Students

Applications for Year 7 entry to selective high schools in 2025 opened on **9 October 2023** and close on **20 November 2023**. All Year 5 parents were notified via Sentral and School Bytes email with additional information on Monday, 9 October.

Year 5 Student Leader Nominations for 2024

It's that time of the year again when our Year 5 students prepare a speech to present to the student body, sharing their aspirations and interests of becoming a student leader for 2024. Mrs Pitts, Mrs LV and Mr Harpur will be meeting with all Year 5 students in Week 2. Year 5 students will then have the opportunity to collect a self-nomination form with detailed information about what it means to represent our school in a leadership capacity. Students will present their speeches at a special assembly later in the term.

Road Safety – Bike and Scooter riders

This week, we met with all students who ride scooters and bikes to and from school, to discuss the dangers of crossing roads and to not cross on a corner or crest in the road. We thank you for continuing to reiterate the same conversations with your children, to ensure they are as safe as they can be, when riding without an adult present. Our safety messages will continue to be shared regularly with our students.

Summer Uniform

Commencing Term 4, our Summer uniform is encouraged to be worn by students.

Our Summer uniform items are as follows:

Blue and white checked dress, with white collar and inverted pleat at front

Mid blue short sleeve shirt

Grey or navy shorts

Black school shoes & white or grey socks

Navy school hat

All students are asked to wear a hat whilst outdoors. Students who are not wearing a school hat in the playground are asked to play under the covered areas of the school. Please label all hats and jumpers so they can be returned easily. We appreciate uniform items are costly and always prefer to be able to return items to the rightful owner.

ICAS Certificates

ICAS certificates for Digital Technologies, English and Science have arrived at the school and will be presented to students at the Week 2 assembly commencing at 2:25pm.

Term 4 Calendar for Parents

The Term 4 calendar will be sent via Sentral and email to all families ready to pop on the kitchen fridge. We always try to give our families the most accurate information ahead of time. If any dates change, we will inform our families through our communication channels.

Wishing our students, staff and community a positive fortnight ahead. Don't forget the P&C Discos for K-2 and 3-6 are helping us dance our way into the start of the term, this Friday, 13 October.

Rebecca Pitts
Principal

Performing Arts Night – Performer information

The show commences at 6:30pm.

Senior Band students arrive at 6pm and go directly to the hall for a sound check.

All other students (dancers, recorder, soloists) arrive at 6:15pm. Sign in at the holding room - Science Room & 5P.

Dancers come in their costumes. If they are in band, they can wear their band shirt over their costumes.

Dancers and their families will receive direct communication regarding hair and makeup from Miss Hefford.

Parents will sign out their children from the holding rooms at the end of the night.

The show will conclude at 8pm (approximately).



Book Parade

A dazzling parade of colourful characters captivated the crowd at the 2023 Book Parade. Thank you to all the parents for all the work you did to help your children look incredible. We witnessed everything and everyone from dinosaurs, sharks, Bluey, Where's Wally and Sam Kerr to the perennial favourites, Elsa and Harry Potter.

Thanks to every student, parent, grandparent, helper and teacher for making the parade such a success.

It's proof once again that children of all ages still love books!



Wideview's Public Speaking Champions!

Congratulations to all our 2023 Public Speaking competition finalists! It was a tough job for the judge to select a winner from among the accomplished orators. The finalists from Kindergarten to Year 6 took to the stage in front of students, teachers and families. Congratulations to our four Stage winners: Jasmine S (Kindergarten), Ella C (Stage 1), Sadie V (Stage 2), and Ella W (Stage 3). This was a very high calibre of students gracing us with a diverse range of speeches and styles. Well done to everyone, and a special thanks to Jackie Beattie from Berowra Toastmasters for her evaluations.



Showcase 2023

As part of Wideview's Creative Arts program, we would like to invite parents and friends to **Showcase 2023**. All students from Kindergarten to Year 6 will be performing in the three shows on:

Tuesday, 5 December at 11:30am

Tuesday, 5 December at 5:30pm

Wednesday, 6 December at 7:00pm

The purchasing of tickets will go on sale from Friday, 27 October. Information appears further in this newsletter and has been sent home via School Bytes and the Sentral Parent Portal regarding the P&C's online booking system and the process of allocating tickets as fairly and equitably as possible to all families.

Stage 3 Excursion to Canberra 2023

18 days to go! We are so excited!

Please remember to check over the information provided on what to pack. Final payments are now due. If you are having difficulty paying the remainder, please contact the school for support.

We will meet with the students over the coming weeks to prepare them for their time away.

Stage 3 Teachers

School Calendar

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

WIDEVIEW PUBLIC SCHOOL



SHOWCASE 2023

TUESDAY 5 DECEMBER
11:30AM AND 5:30PM

WEDNESDAY 6 DECEMBER
7:00PM

TICKETS ON SALE
27 OCTOBER VIA
TRYBOOKING





WIDEVIEW PUBLIC SCHOOL - SHOWCASE 2023

TICKETING INFORMATION

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

It is with great pleasure that we announce a highlight of the Wideview School Calendar, "Showcase 2023".

This year our theme is **Time Travel**. The concerts will take place in Week 9 of Term 4.

We will have 3 concerts in which all students will perform:

Tuesday 5 December Matinee concert 11.30am

Tuesday 5 December Twilight Concert 5.30pm

Wednesday 6 December Evening Concert 7.00 pm

Tickets will be sold online using the online booking system *TryBooking*.

How many tickets per family?

The number of tickets available for family and friends is dependent on the number of seats in the hall. Due to the size of our hall we have limited the amount of tickets per family so that **every** Wideview family is able to attend and see their child perform. We have 223 families to cater for at Wideview.

Each family will be able to purchase **3 tickets in total**. For example, you may wish to purchase 1x Matinee and 2x Twilight tickets. This will be an honour system when purchasing online but we ask that each family provides the name of their eldest child and their class in the field provided. Our P&C Showcase administrator and Mrs Pitts will be checking this periodically to ensure that it is fair and right for all families. Separated families may purchase 3 tickets in total per household. Any tickets purchased above the allocation will be refunded by the P & C Showcase administrator.

Please note that prams will not be permitted into the school hall so small children will need to sit on the lap of their parents for the duration of the concert. The concert is expected to go for 1 1/2 hours.

Ticket Prices

Ticket prices will be \$5 for the matinee and \$10 for the twilight and evening performances. We are having a special price for enthusiasts for the first two rows, only for the twilight and evening performances, at a cost of \$20 per ticket. This will be first in best dressed. All profits from ticket sales (after paying for production of the three concerts) will go towards fundraising for our wonderful school.

When do the tickets go on sale?

The tickets go on sale from **Friday 27 October (Week 3) from 7.00am**.

No payments are to be made directly to the school. All payments are to be made online via *TryBooking*. If you do not have a credit card, please email: ticketsatwideview@gmail.com

Information regarding the *Trybooking* website and the link will be sent home via the Sentral Parent Portal, School Bytes email and it will be in the Week 3 and Week 5 school newsletters. There will also be reminders sent via the above communication platforms.

Can I buy extra tickets?

Following the sale of tickets, if not sold out after two weeks, there will be an offer of extra tickets (**limited to 2 per family**). These extra tickets, if available, will go on sale from Friday 10 November.

After this 2nd round, if any tickets are still available, they will all go on sale from Friday 17 November.

As many of you are aware, Showcase is a wonderful experience for the children in our school. It creates wonderful memories for all of us. We thank you for all your support of this event and we trust that this form of ticketing will make it a fair, smooth and easy process for all involved.

We look forward to a very exciting Showcase 2023!

Yours sincerely, The Showcase Committee



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P&C Update

Let's start the term with a Disco!

The disco is this Friday night! Make sure you buy your tickets before tonight 9pm.

Due to the kids disco on Friday, 13 October, the P&C will not be holding a cake stall at the referendum on Saturday, 14 October. APEX have very kindly offered to hold a BBQ at Wideview for the referendum, please come and show them your support.

Please see below for updates on our Canteen Manager and a message from Band.

The P&C are supporting the school with ticket management and preparations for Showcase. Thank you to Kiri Tamatea-Burgess for taking on the organising of the tickets and volunteers. Further information to come in upcoming newsletters. We look forward to helping the school purchase a new microphone and helping cover lighting and audio costs associated with the performances.

At the next P&C meeting we hope to look through the teachers "wish list" and see what the P&C can purchase for the school with the funds raised through our many fundraising activities throughout the year.

Our next P&C meeting is Monday, 16 October at 7pm in the Library.

Disco Time!

The P&C are organising a kids disco on Friday, 13 October 2023. Infants (K-2): 5.00-6.15pm, Primary (years 3-6) 6.30-8.00pm. Tickets are \$10 and will include a juice popper and packet of popcorn or chips. Tickets are available via Qkr! now.

We will require a lot of parent volunteers on the night to ensure the safety of all the children in attendance, a sign-up sheet will be advertised soon. Please ensure you have had your volunteers check completed through the office ASAP, so you can be there to support your child and the school.

Please sign up using the following link: <https://signup.com/go/tEPBhtr>

Band

Guitar Lessons in 2024.

Expression of interest for guitar lessons in 2024 with James Daley.

James is a brilliant guitar, banjo, mandolin, dulcimer, and ukulele player and member of @themorrisonsband who is moving to the area in January. He will start teaching guitar at Wideview in 2024. If you're interested in taking guitar lessons with James, please fill out the form below. Once you submit the form, I'll pass your contact details on to James, and he'll contact you to discuss the lessons further.

<https://forms.gle/Jgai4i5JvYrxbJCH9>

For more info - email Patrice - wideview-band@gmail.com



Wideview Canteen News

The Canteen thanks Brynn Quick for being the Canteen Manager on Fridays' this year. She has done an amazing job and is a valued member of the Wideview community. We look forward to having her stay on the committee to help with the handover to our new Friday Canteen Manager Marisa Calo. Please make Marisa feel welcome. Please volunteer if you can, as Fridays can be very busy – especially coming into Summer when all the students want ice blocks to help them keep cool off.

Potential Canteen Closures:

The canteen staff are unable to prepare and pack the lunches without volunteers.

If there is no volunteer for a lunch session in the upcoming week for a particular day, the staff will be required to close that day by the Friday prior to allow for enough time for communication and organisation of the upcoming week.

Qkr! does NOT allow bulk refunds unfortunately and therefore parents are required to cancel their order prior to the cancelled day to get their refund. It is advisable to order lunches on the Monday or Tuesday rather than having repeating orders to avoid having to cancel orders.

Due to a reduction in volunteers, the canteen may be required to close more regularly than it has in the past.

Please make sure you are following the canteen FB pages to ensure you are up-to-date with any changes in operating days.

If you would like to volunteer or know anyone who might, please sign up via this link:

<https://signup.com/go/kchdytY>

Thank you to those who volunteer, the canteen is unable to operate at its current prices without you.

Wideview PS Uniform Shop News



It's time for a \$2 sale! Drop in to pick up a good quality second hand bargain or two!

Opening hours

Monday 2pm – 3:30pm

Friday 9am – 10am

You are welcome to come and browse the second-hand items or to purchase new items.

Second Hand Clothing

All donations of good quality items are welcome. Please drop at the Uniform Shop during opening hours or leave at the front office.

Please note that there are no returns on second hand items.

Returnable cloth bags

Bags can be returned to the collection box in the library, to the tub at WOOSHC, or to the Uniform Shop during opening hours.

Contact Details

Please subscribe to our Facebook page for the most up to date information on the Uniform Shop! <https://www.facebook.com/wideviewuniformshop>

Please contact the shop if you have any queries, and we will get back to you shortly.

Email: wideviewuniform@gmail.com

Follow our P&C 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 \(WOOSCH\)](#)

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.

Kind regards,

Anita von Korff

P&C President