



## Wideview Public School

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### Messages from the Principal

#### Attendance Rates

Congratulations to our students!

We ended Week 7 with an impressive school attendance rate of 95.2%. Congratulations to our Year 5 cohort for a collective 99% attendance rate.

We ended Week 8 at 93.4%. Our grade with the highest attendance in Week 8 was Year 2!

Keep it up Wideview!!

#### Harmony Day

What a beautiful day it was on Monday celebrating Harmony Day across the school. Thank you to the students and families who shared treats from their cultural background and to all the students for sharing in Harmony Day. At our afternoon assembly, we had the pleasure of listening to students speak about something special from their heritage. A special shout out to Tom in Year 2 for sharing his incredible slideshow about his nationality and some interesting facts about languages. Thank you to Mrs Donahue for organising the day. It's special to celebrate these days, but more importantly, harmony day should remind us to respect and celebrate everyone's differences in our daily communications and actions not just on a special day of the year.

#### Strong Views!

Our Debating Team meet every Friday morning before school and work hard under the guidance of Mr Smith and Mrs Donahue to learn how to debate a topic. This week, five students from the debating team had a virtual debate against Ulladulla Public School. Our team were the affirmative and had to deliver their strong opinion in favour of 'Students should be limited to two hours of screen time per week'. The remaining debaters were a brilliant audience! Keep reading to find out more about the exciting debate later in the newsletter.











# Harmony





## Students in the Spotlight

Each week, I am thrilled to receive invitations from teachers to visit their classrooms or to see students showcasing their impressive work. These moments are truly some of the highlights of my day, as I get to witness the incredible learning happening and the joy students feel in sharing their achievements.

Congratulations to the following students for sharing their outstanding artworks, research projects, success in work habits and designs with me. With so many students visiting, I've run out of space on my pinboard to display all their incredible pieces!



## NAPLAN 2025

NAPLAN testing for our Year 3 and Year 5 students has finished for another year. Well done to these students for trying their best. Thank you to Mr Curran and Mrs Anthonisz for supporting the organisation of NAPLAN and to all staff who led different sessions. Two days of catch-up sessions were organised to support students who were absent on any of the test days. When the results are released, parents will receive a NAPLAN style report highlighting areas of strengths and areas for improvement. The school uses NAPLAN data in triangulation with school informed data sources for individual, group and cohort improvement areas.

## Cross Country Carnival – Thursday 8 May - Week 2 Term 2

All families will receive cross country information before the end of Term 1. There is no cost to this event. Students in Year 2 who are turning 8 in 2025 will have the option to run the primary course or stay on the K-2 shorter course. We are holding the carnival on school site. Leading up to the day, teachers will support the students to run the track as part of weekly sport and fitness.



## Presenting The Calm Cove

We are delighted to share a new lunchtime space that we are providing to any of our students who need a quieter place to spend their lunch break. For some of our students, the unstructured nature and noise of a playground can be overwhelming and over stimulating. The Calm Cove is now open every lunch break from 1:35-2:00pm.



## Aboriginal Artist Visit

We were delighted to welcome a local Aboriginal artist to our school recently. Courtney met with some of our senior leaders and Aboriginal students to share about her background and passion for designing indigenous images. The students were fascinated by Courtney's talent in visual arts and listened while Courtney shared how she designs images for different schools. The students worked together in small groups to share their thoughts on what important images would connect to them and our school site and community. Miss Hefford and I were so impressed with the conversations being had and the designs created by the students. Each group presented their ideas to Courtney and their peers. Courtney has taken the designs from each group and is creating a visual representation to share back with us. So many of the students wanted to share their connection to family, connecting with others, a journey and the waterways and bushland that surround our school.





## What's Coming Up @ Wideview

### Week 10

**Monday 31 March** – Assembly @ 2.25pm / Stage 1 Zoo Excursion

**Thursday 3 April** – Final Gymnastics session

### Week 11

**Monday 7 April** – Assembly @ 2.25pm

**Tuesday 8 April** – Easter Hat Parade & Easter Hampers 9:30am / Parent&Carer Morning Tea 10:30am

**Wednesday 9 April** – Easter Combined Catholic Service (Scripture students only)

**Friday 11 April** – Final Day of Term 1

One sleep to go for all our band students attending Band Camp! Wishing a wonderful time at Band Camp coming up this Friday to Sunday. Mrs LV and I are excited to join you all. We can't wait to listen to your musical masterpieces! Let's hope for sunshine!

Kind regards,

Rebecca Pitts  
Principal

## Moving to High School in 2026 - EOI Closing Friday 28 March

All Year 6 families were sent information regarding the online process to complete high school applications for 2026. The Expression of Interest (EOI) lets you indicate which school(s) you would like your child to attend in Year 7. After you submit an EOI and it has been assessed, your child will be offered a place at a high school. If your child will not be attending a NSW Government high school next year, complete the Placement Not Required online form. If you are unsure whether they will be attending a NSW Government school (you've applied for a non-government school or you are moving interstate), we ask that you still complete an EOI and follow up with the school once a decision has been made. The online process will guide you through your options and collect the information required to make the process as smooth as possible. The link is as follows and breaks down the steps one at a time: [Moving into Year 7 in a NSW high school 2026](#)

## Sporting Success

Congratulations to the following students for sharing their success and enjoyment of their outside of school sporting endeavours.

### Lachlan and Ethan H – NSW Mountain Bike Series

In the cross country, Lachlan finished 16<sup>th</sup> / 37 and Ethan 11<sup>th</sup> / 14. Whilst both played it safe, starting at the back to avoid the start line tussles, Lachlan improved from last - 25<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup>, over the 3 laps. The approx. 50min cross country race in the hot and humid conditions took the energy out of them both, but the boys determined to finish and have a go. They also managed to get the energy to do a couple of runs on each of the funduro (Downhill) tracks in the afternoon.





### Liam C – Javelin Athletics NSW

Liam participated in State athletics last week after qualifying at regionals a few weeks ago.

Liam participated in Javelin and ended up finishing 3rd in the state on a podium finish. He threw 28.98m and was so excited by his placing. A lot of training has paid off with such a successful result!



### Safety Reminder

A reminder for all to take care when entering and exiting the drive way. A community member has contacted the school with concerns of some motorists not giving way to pedestrians and a near miss occurring. The school carpark is accessible for staff only during the hours of 8:00am and 5:00pm.

### Admin Reminder

For any changes relating to SRE/SEE classes please do not email the class teacher and ensure an email is sent to the school office only [wideview-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:wideview-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au)

Changes to family details can be updated in Sentral or via an email to the school office [wideview-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:wideview-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au)

Permission Notes - to avoid being charged for an event, if your child is not attending an event/excursion/incursion please ensure you select the 'I do not give consent' option on the permission note.



# Merit Awards

Congratulations to our award recipients for Term 1 Week 8 & 9

<b>KLV</b>	Lilly L, Henry S, Hailee B, Greyson C, Damien W	<b>KMP</b>	Charlie K, Naomi B, Georgia N, Tommy D
<b>1H</b>	Elis A, Mae W	<b>1W</b>	Coen D, Zara V, Cormac H, Leta S
<b>2G</b>	Ethan H, Maya N, Nixon J, Oliver L	<b>2S</b>	Ollie S, Millie W, Arlo E, Darcie R
<b>3H</b>	Henry P, Ahalya N, Lochie S, Jackson vK	<b>3/4F</b>	Matilda W, Jake G, Emma D, Olivia A
<b>4H</b>	Leia H, Eddy W, Natasha E, Rumi L, Selina H	<b>5P</b>	Will H, Anders R, Milla S, Emily Y
<b>5/6D</b>	Emily D, Maddy A, Emmett B, Veda A	<b>6C</b>	Emma L, Arlen D, Indi L, Lucas B
	<b>Principal Trophy: 3/4F, 3H</b>		

## School Bytes Portal

If you have not already done so, please consider registering for a Parent Portal account!

The School Bytes portal provides flexibility for you to conveniently:

- Make school payments online (including paying for multiple siblings at once)
- **Use a family credit to pay for an activity or school contributions - important to note, the portal is the easiest and quickest way to view and apply available family credits**
- **Request a refund if required**
- Download a receipt for payments made
- View all historical payments in one place
- Complete and submit digital permission notes
- View the status of all permission notes

AVAILABLE NOW!

We are excited to announce our school offers a flexible and simplified way parent/carers can make payments

The Parent Portal

- Easily make a payment online
- Download your receipt
- Sign and return permission notes digitally
- Use any credits on your account to make payment
- View your complete payment history
- Request a refund

School Bytes

Register for the Parent Portal via the QR Code or visit <https://portal.schoolbytes.education>



## GET TO KNOW THE LEGO LOVING

# Mr Carlos



- **Would you rather? - Camping in a tent; or holidaying in a cabin** Cabin. Although when I was younger, I used to hike without a tent. Sleeping under the stars was awesome.
- **If you weren't a teacher, what would you be?** Astronaut
- **What sport would you compete in if you were in the Olympics?** Cat Herding
- **If you could hang out with a cartoon character, who would it be?** Virgil Tracy from Thunderbirds. He has the coolest ride.
- **What is your most used emoji?** Laughing face with tears
- **What is something you are great at cooking?** Dinner
- **What are your three favourite foods?** Pulled pork, sweet potatoes, rocket
- **If you could teach a new subject to primary school students, what would it be?** Adventuring. (I really don't know what it involves but it sounds like fun.)
- **If you were a superhero, what would your superpower be?** Flying
- **If you could make 1 law for everyone in the world to follow, what would it be?**
  - Compulsory voting - it's our democratic responsibility and the rest of the world needs it too.



# GET TO KNOW THE SENSATIONAL

## Mr Smith



- Would you rather? - Camping in a tent; or holidaying in a cabin** I'm going cabin BUT can it be at Moffatt Beach QLD?
- If you weren't a teacher, what would you be?** A conservation architect restoring old stone and timber houses in country towns.
- What sport would you compete in if you were in the Olympics?** Now that my career in synchronized swimming is over, I might try the luge: the idea of lying down to win a medal appeals to me.
- If you could hang out with a cartoon character, who would it be?** Barney Rubble because he's the goofy one (so we'd get along) and I could still hang out with Fred Flintstone!
- Favourite Flower:** Frangipani - they remind me of my nana.
- What is something you are great at cooking?** ANZAC biscuits!
- What are your three favourite foods?** Beef vindaloo; chicken, ginger and shallots curry; overpriced meat pies at the footy!
- If you could teach a new subject to primary school students, what would it be?** Tough one... either drawing houses (who would have guessed?) or making podcasts.
- If you were a superhero, what would your superpower be?** Invisibility - never pay for concerts, sports or airline tickets again!





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## P&C Update

### Movie Night, Mother's Day Stall and Fete

Wideview P&C would like to welcome all Wideview families to a P&C funded **Movie night** on the front oval on **Friday May 2 May**. Keep a lookout closer to the date for further information regarding time and movie. The P&C are asking for a gold coin donation, if you can spare it, on the night to help with hiring costs. Some food and drinks will be available for purchase. Thank you, Edwin for organising this event!

The **Wideview P&C Mother's Day stall** is back this year, giving your child the perfect opportunity to select some lovely gifts for Mum. There will be an online stall via QKR, plus a chance for your child to purchase gifts in person at the stall on Wednesday 7 May. Stay tuned for more information closer to the date.

We are looking for volunteers to help with **Wideview 2025 fete** planning. Get in touch with Yew Cheong Lai (YC) if you would like to help: <https://www.facebook.com/share/g/1F7RCC84Do/>

If you're not on Facebook and would like more info, please email [wideviewpandc@gmail.com](mailto:wideviewpandc@gmail.com) and we will pass your details onto YC.



Wideview P&C ARE  
IN SEARCH OF A  
**NEW P&C PRESIDENT**

**Role currently includes:**

- Leading monthly P&C meetings
- Communicating with sub-committees, Principal, and Financial Manager
- Fortnightly newsletters and some social media
- Joining a great executive team!

Email: [wideviewpandcpresident@gmail.com](mailto:wideviewpandcpresident@gmail.com)

Make sure to check out the **WOOSHC Autumn Vacation Care Program** below, with some amazing incursions and excursions timetabled for the students.

We are still on the lookout for a new P&C President. Please contact [wideviewpandcpresident@gmail.com](mailto:wideviewpandcpresident@gmail.com) for further information or if you have any questions about this position.



## Next P&C Meeting

Our next P&C meeting will be our Annual General Meeting on Monday 19 May 2025 at 7pm in the school library, it will be followed by a quick normal meeting. Please email [wideviewpandc@gmail.com](mailto:wideviewpandc@gmail.com) once you have paid your P&C membership fee, to ensure you receive information for the following meeting.

## Canteen News

It has been a busy start to the year, and it is hard to believe that we are nearing the end of Term 1. Kirsty and Donna would like to thank all parents who have volunteered so far this year. Special mention to Charlie Hales; good luck with your new job. We hope to see you in the canteen when you can.

There are still plenty of days to volunteer, so sign up today.

<https://signup.com/client/invitation2/secure/482480892081/false#/invitation>

Volunteers help with some food prep, filling orders and serving at the counter.

Check out the Wideview Canteen Facebook page and please sign up to help if you can.

## Uniform Shop News

**Please return bags to the collection box in the library, to the tub at WOOSHC, or to the Uniform Shop during opening hours.**

Be sure to stay in touch with us!

**Subscribe on Facebook:** <https://www.facebook.com/wideviewuniformshop>

**Email:** [wideviewuniform@gmail.com](mailto:wideviewuniform@gmail.com)

**Visit us:** You are welcome to visit us:

Monday: 2pm – 3:30pm

Friday: 9am – 10am

## 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](mailto: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](mailto: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



## Monday 14th April Ninja Kids

### EXCURSION \$82

Today is all about the ninja skills on the "Ninja Warrior" style obstacle courses, challenge your friends and show us your best ninja skills.



**WHAT TO BRING -** morning tea, **LUNCH**, water bottle, hat & enclosed shoes

**PROVIDED BY WOOSHC -**

**A'tea - Popcorn**

## Tuesday 15th April Marvel/Princess

### INCURSION \$77

Today is all about fun characters, come dressed as your favourite Marvel super-hero or Disney princess, we will have lots of party games and fun today, come dressed in character theme



**WHAT TO BRING -** morning tea, water bottle, hat & enclosed shoes

**PROVIDED BY WOOSHC -**

**Lunch - mini pies**  
**A'tea - saos & fruit**

## Wednesday 16th April Water Slide

### INCURSION \$77

show us your waterslide skills today, we will have the grey blaster back, slide down racing your friends to the bottom pool. We will Have SCOOTERS today as well, bring your scooter and helmet



**WHAT TO BRING -** morning tea, water bottle, hat & enclosed shoes

**PROVIDED BY WOOSHC -**

**Lunch - Fish finger tacos**  
**A'tea - iceblock/biscuits**

## Thursday 17th April Easter

### INCURSION \$77

Let the easter fun begin, today we will be doing an easter egg hunt, lots of easter craft, face painting and games, we will have prizes for best easter dressed. come dressed in easter theme



**WHAT TO BRING -** morning tea, water bottle, hat & enclosed shoes

**PROVIDED BY WOOSHC -**

**Lunch - mini hotdogs**  
**A'tea - hot cross buns**

## Friday 18th April PUBLIC HOLIDAY

**CLOSED**



**PUBLIC  
HOLIDAY**

## Monday 21st April PUBLIC HOLIDAY

**CLOSED**



**PUBLIC  
HOLIDAY**

## Tuesday 22nd April Acro Dance

### INCURSION \$77

Leap into a world of fun with this unique dance program of acrobatic skills and dance techniques, we will also have a talent show today to showcase your new skills.



**WHAT TO BRING -** morning tea, water bottle, hat & enclosed shoes

**PROVIDED BY WOOSHC -**

**Lunch - Chicken wraps**  
**A'tea - crackers & dip**

## Wednesday 23rd April Sydney Aquarium

### EXCURSION \$82

Come on a journey of amazing discovery at Sydney Aquarium unique marine aquatic environments and discover an incredible world of sea creatures.



*Please arrive by 9am*  
*Numbers are limited*

**WHAT TO BRING -** morning tea, **LUNCH**, water bottle, hat & enclosed shoes

**PROVIDED BY WOOSHC -**

**A'tea - vegie stx & dip**

## Thursday 24th April Aussie wild

### INCURSION \$77

We will journey through the land of dangerous and venomous animals found in Australia, like funnel webs, great white sharks, brown snakes, & even the seemingly harmless kangaroo can pack a punch.



**WHAT TO BRING -** morning tea, water bottle, hat & enclosed shoes

**PROVIDED BY WOOSHC -**

**Lunch - Sausage Sanga's**  
**A'tea - Anzac biscuits**

## Friday 25th April PUBLIC HOLIDAY

**CLOSED**



**PUBLIC  
HOLIDAY**



**Monday 28th April**

**World Record**

**INCURSION  
\$77**



Can you break the record? Are you game to challenge your friends? Today is all about how many WOOSHC records we can create and break, lots of prizes and fun,

**WHAT TO BRING -**  
morning tea, water bottle,  
hat & enclosed shoes

**PROVIDED BY WOOSHC -**

Lunch - Pasta cups  
A'tea - corn thins

**Tuesday 29th April**

**Pyjama Day**

**INCURSION  
\$77**



jump out of bed and head straight to WOOSHC in your favourite pj's today, we are having a fun pyjama party day, with lots of fun games, a movie with popcorn and prizes to be won.

**WHAT TO BRING -**  
morning tea, drink bottle,  
hat & enclosed shoes

**PROVIDED BY WOOSHC -**

Lunch - mini pies  
A'tea - biscuits & fruit

## VACATION CARE INFORMATION -

### FOOD INFORMATION -

We **DO NOT** provide breakfast in Vacation Care. *Early arrival children can bring their own breakfast to have at WOOSHC*

*Afternoon tea is provided every day*

*We have multiple children with ANAPHYLAXIS/allergies to nuts, Do not send nuts or nut products (including peanut butter and hazelnut spread) in your children's lunches and snacks.*

*Lunch will be provided some days* - ALL Lunches have fruit and vegetable options offered as well as the planned dish. Please see the full menu on display, on Facebook or our website.

Website - [wideviewwooshc.com.au](http://wideviewwooshc.com.au) or search Wideview OOSHC on Facebook.

#### **LUNCH IS PROVIDED—**

Week 1 – Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday

Week 2 – Tuesday and Thursday

Week 3 – Monday and Tuesday

*IF YOUR CHILD IS FUSSY OR A SNACKER, PLEASE PACK EXTRA SNACKS / FOOD EACH DAY, WE PROVIDE LUNCH AND AFTERNOON TEA MOST DAYS, BUT DO NOT PROVIDE EXTRA SNACKS OR ALTERNATIVE LUNCHES (UNLESS FOR AGREED DIETARY REQUIREMENTS)*

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

*Please label all items coming to WOOSHC so we can return clothes and items to everyone. Items not collected will be donated to charity.*

*We will have scooters on wed 16th April, children can bring their scooters and must have a helmet to ride*

### BOOKING/CANCELLATION INFORMATION -

All bookings should be made via the XPLOR HOME APP if you are unsure, please call (02) 9456 6513 or email [wideviewwooshc@gmail.com](mailto:wideviewwooshc@gmail.com)

All bookings will be confirmed Via the XPLOR HOME calendar. The days you have booked will show orange dot.

*Cancellations may be accepted 1 week prior to the vacation care week starting, cancellations for medical reasons will be accepted on a case-by-case basis. Cancellations outside of this timeframe will incur the normal fee, unless by agreement, another day may be substituted, or a position filled when a day is at capacity and there is a wait list,*

*ALL ABSENCES/ CANCELLATIONS must be notified ASAP to the service in writing.*

*Replacing a booking with another booking will be subject to availability and acceptance by the Manager.*

*Excursion bookings will NOT be cancelled/ removed unless it can be filled due to bus bookings and staffing.*





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# Kids

## GARDENING CLASSES

at Flower Power

**11am  
APRIL**

MONDAY THURSDAY

**14 - 17**

TUESDAY THURSDAY

**22 - 24**

**ONE CLASS PER DAY!**

EXCLUDES PUBLIC HOLIDAYS  
& WEEKENDS



Kids of all ages must be accompanied by an adult. No bookings required, however large groups are encouraged to call your local store.

For more information go to [flowerpower.com.au](http://flowerpower.com.au)

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power**





Youth Week 2025  
9-17 April

I am... ▼



brave



kind



unstoppable



add your own

(insert strengths)



## Celebrate Youth Week in Hornsby Shire with FREE events

**9-17 April 2025**



[hornsby.nsw.gov.au/youthweek](https://hornsby.nsw.gov.au/youthweek)



We are the future,  
and the future is now!



### Young Artist Award exhibition

Tuesday 1 April – Sunday 6 April  
Wallarobba Arts and Cultural Centre



### Lifeline Connect

Thursdays, 1pm-5.30pm  
Hornsby Library  
Show bags available for all young people



### Voting Workshop\*

Wednesday 9 April, 4pm-5.30pm  
Hornsby Library  
Pizza and prizes  
Ages 16-24



### Movie Night: A Minecraft Movie\*

Saturday 12 April, 6.30pm  
Event Cinema Hornsby  
Free movie, popcorn/ice cream/drink



### Second Hand Hornsby Market

Sunday 13 April, 9am-1pm  
Coronation StrEat, Hornsby



### Ceramics Course\*

Monday 14 April  
Session 1: 10am-1pm  
Session 2: 1.30pm-4.30pm  
Hornsby  
Ages 14-24



### Barista Course\*

Tuesday 15 April, 10am-1pm  
Hornsby  
Ages 12-24



### Community CPR and First Aid Workshop\*

Tuesday 15 April, 10.30am-12.30pm  
Hornsby Aquatic and Leisure Centre

\*Bookings are essential as spaces are limited

Scan the QR code for more details and to book





# Pop-Up Prizes – grab your free Youth Week giveaways from these locations:

## **Galston Skate Park**

Friday 11 April  
3pm-4pm

## **Cherrybrook Skate Park**

Wednesday  
16 April  
11am-12pm

## **Pennant Hills Library & Community Centre**

Wednesday  
16 April  
1pm-2pm

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