



# Wideview Public School

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## Messages from the Principal

Over the past fortnight, we have continued to observe our students participating in a wonderful array of learning opportunities. Thank you to our students for representing our school values of Respect, Responsibility and Pride.

### Aussie of the Month

Congratulations to Lewis G of 2S for receiving the April Aussie of the Month for consistently going above and beyond to help his classmates and teachers without seeking any credit. What a beautiful quality to possess. We are delighted to award Lewis the Aussie of the Month for April.



### Kindergarten 2026 Open Day

Last Tuesday, we shared a beautiful morning with new and returning families to Wideview, who are on the journey to Kindergarten with their children for 2026. Our School Captains, Indi and Zeke, spoke with confidence, humour and thoughtful words that they had each personally written and presented to the audience. Our senior band played a crowd favourite of 'Baby Shark', and our Senior Choir did a remarkable job singing a piece from the musical 'Wicked'.

Our Kindergarten 2025 students made their way to the stage for the first time this year. They were certainly a crowd favourite as they turned into mini dinosaurs for a fun and engaging song with the perfect matching actions. Before our morning tea with families, our Prefects, Vice Captains and Captains took on the role of tour guides and showed our Kindergarten 2026 families different spaces around our school. Our guests were all so impressed and delighted to listen to our leaders passionately speaking about our school environment. Thank you to Mrs Griffin for bringing our open day together again this year. We look forward to our Kinderlinks Program coming up in Term 4!

If you know of any families who are zoned for our school, please let them know to contact the school office. We would love to be their child's big school option for 2026 and welcome school tours any time of year.

### Kindergarten Enrolments 2026

We are now taking enrolments for all students who are eligible to start school in 2026 in our Kindergarten classes. Children may be enrolled in Kindergarten at the beginning of the school year if they turn five years

of age on or before 31 July in that year. By law, all children must be enrolled in school by their sixth birthday. If you are unsure if your child is ready to start school or would like to access further information visit the link below – [Starting primary school](#). All enrolments to be submitted by 31 August.

## Students in the Spotlight

There were so many sparkle moments over the past fortnight, and most were for individual students putting their best foot forward in different ways, and not even expecting anything in return.

- I won't take too much away from Mr Smith and Mrs Donahue sharing the success of the Debating Team, except to say how very proud we are of the four outstanding students who represented Wideview last week in the Round 1 of the Premier's Debating Challenge. Congratulations Aysha C, Veda A, Olivia VC and Sophia B! This is the first year we have competed, and we are off to a strong start!
- Thank you to Jordy W and Vince B from 2G for visiting me to share their amazing effort in writing.
- Visiting 3H was a highlight of my week as I listened to three super mathematicians who were making equations equivalent by coming up with challenging possibilities.
- Congratulations to Saskia C from the 3/4F for building her confidence and understanding in mathematics.
- What a superstar shout-out to Max B of 1H for being the first student for 2025 to be awarded his 60s ribbon! WOW!! Max displays our three school values and is very deserving of this recognition. The ribbon colour is no longer a secret as Max was presented with the first rainbow coloured ribbon for 2025!



## Updating our Newsletter – CANVA style

We have been planning to update our newsletter for quite some time. This term, Mrs Fieramosca and I will be preparing a new design and template for the fortnightly newsletter. We will keep you updated with the new design with the hope to launch this update in the coming weeks.

## Ping Pong is a Go!

The students have been waiting for the fencing to come down and the Ping Pong tables to be ready for lunchtime play! Thank you to some of our senior students for working with the teachers and becoming mini supervisors at the second half of lunch. We have a Ping Pong roster for our students in Years 3-6. Our K-2 students will have an opportunity to play next term.



## The NSW Public Schools Surveys

The NSW Public Schools Surveys (NPSS) are a new suite of surveys designed to gather insights from students, parents and teachers about their experiences at school. In years past, students in Years 4-6 and parents and teachers from across the school would complete The Tell Them Me Survey. These insights help school leaders understand what's working well and where improvements can be made. The newly designed student survey will launch later this term for students in Years 3-6. Parents will receive a form to complete and return only if they wish to have their child not participate. The parent and teacher surveys will be following in 2026.

## Academic Reports – Semester 1 and Semester 2 2025

Teachers are currently working hard to complete academic reports for their students. There are some changes to the report template as per the updated Department of Education guidelines for reports.

Most of our template design remains similar to 2024. In 2025, both Semester 1 and 2 reports will include the following information.

- Attendance for the semester
- English and mathematics comments which highlight areas of success and future goals.
- English and mathematics subjects will also feature a list of descriptors written in parent friendly language, similar to our previous report templates.
- All other Key Learning Areas (Geography/History, Science, Creative Arts and PD/H/PE) will be presented with an overall grade and effort marker only, no comment.



- A general comment will now be written for each semester of learning which highlights academic, attitudes/work habits, social skills and extra-curricular activities.
- All subject areas will have an overall grade and effort marker. Please note: Kindergarten reports will continue to only have an effort marker for all subjects. Grading students in subject areas commences from Year 1.
- The effort marker has been reduced from a 5-point scale to a 3-point scale. The academic overall grade remains as a 5-point scale 'A-E'. If a child demonstrates an expected level of understanding for the subject, in previous years they would have received a 'C', referring to a 'sound understanding'. The word 'sound' has been replaced with the word 'expected' for 2025.

For English, K-6 reports will highlight concepts of: Oral Language and Communication, Phonic Knowledge, Reading Fluency, Reading Comprehension, Creating Written Texts, Spelling and Handwriting.

For mathematics, K-6 reports may highlight some of the following concepts depending on if this concept was covered in Semester 1: Number and Algebra, Measurement and Space and Statistics and Probability.

Families will receive the reports electronically via Sentral at the end of Term 2.

## **P&C 2025/2026**

We are fortunate at Wideview to be supported so well by our wonderful parents and families.

At the P&C AGM held recently, it was wonderful to welcome new faces to the P&C executive and sub-committee teams.

On behalf of the school community, I would like to thank Anita von Korff for supporting the P&C as the P&C President for the past two years. Anita worked tirelessly over her tenure for so many different fundraisers and supported many initiatives across the school. The Wideview Discos and Cake Stalls were passion projects for Anita and we were so lucky to have her leading the way to make these events so successful. Anita wasn't just the President. She took on many sub-committee positions too and will continue to offer her time in smaller roles within the P&C. Anita has passed the President baton to Erin Lee who has graciously taken on the President role for the year.

Forming the remaining positions of the P&C executive, Erin is joined by:

Vice President – Soumali Chitdamrong, Steve Smith and Anita Von Korff

Secretary – Caroline Anthony

Treasurer – Yew Cheong Lai

Within the P&C, many subcommittees work behind the scenes in so many areas. We thank all members of each committee, some whom have put many hours into their roles for many years and we welcome new members who are taking up these positions.

## What's coming up @ Wideview

### Week 5

Thursday 29 May – AECG meeting 4pm – Asquith PS

### Week 6

Monday 2 June – Assembly hosted by 2S

Tuesday 3 June – Central Coast Student Voice Ambassadors Program / Zone Cross Country \*\*Stage 3 Interrelate session will be rescheduled due to the above programs.

Wednesday 4 and Thursday 5 June – Cosmodome Incursion Years 3-6

### Week 7

Premier's Spelling Bee – Round 1 – \*\*this has been moved forward a week.

*Monday 9 June – King's Birthday – Public Holiday*

Tuesday 10 June – Welcome university students completing their practicum to 1H, 2G, 2S and 3H

Wednesday 11 June – Premier's Debating Challenge – Round 2 held @ Wideview PS

Kind regards,

Rebecca Pitts

Principal

## Premier's Spelling Bee

The Spelling Bee is back for 2025! Students in Years 2-6 can compete in the Premier's Spelling Bee. Sometime throughout Week 5, students will be asked by their classroom teacher if they would like to participate in the competition. At the beginning of Week 6, students will receive the 2025 Premier's Spelling Bee list words to practise at home. Students will participate in grade level rounds in Week 7 (This was previously published as Week 8). Students who move forward from their grade level round, will compete in the junior (Years 2, 3 and 4) or senior level round (Years 5&6) in Week 9 Tuesday 24 June (time to be advised). Parents will be invited to attend the junior and senior competition. One representative from the junior round and one representative from the senior round will represent our school at the next level of the competition. We wish all the students having a go the best of luck!

## ICAS Competition 2025

We are once again giving the opportunity for students in Years 2-6 to complete ICAS assessments. The competition is still a fair way off but we like to share the information ahead of time. There are 6 subjects offered for students in Years 3-6 and 5 subjects offered for students in Year 2. The ICAS Writing assessment is only offered by ICAS for students in Year 3 and above. Many of our students complete ICAS assessments year after year and build on their success. The closing date to register and pay online through the ICAS website is Monday 28 July 2025.

	<b>Digital Technologies</b> 4 – 8 August
	<b>Writing</b> 4 – 8 August
	<b>English</b> 11 – 15 August
	<b>Science</b> 18 – 22 August
	<b>Spelling Bee</b> 18 – 22 August
	<b>Mathematics</b> 25 – 29 August

## Sydney North Rugby Gala Day 13 May

Our school participated in their third Sydney North Rugby Gala Day at Pittwater Park on Tuesday, 13 May. We had prepared for wet conditions and to our surprise – it was sunny and warm all day.

Our squad comprised of the follow students: Jimmy W, Jacob W, Edwin H, Axl A, Bill C, Lucas B, Leo T, Mason P, Isaac P, Ryan A, Carter B, Jack S, and Luke D (Mr. Breaker).

We were ceded in Pool A with Sydney Grammar, Narraweena PS, Wollemi College and Oxford Falls Grammar Schools. The winner and runner-up progressing to the final and entry to the State Championships.

Our first two games were against teams who play in weekend competitions and naturally reflected a score-line against novices, however, our last two games were more a reflection of our journey as a team. We narrowly lost to Wollemi after gifting three easy tries at the start but our last game against Oxford Falls Grammar was worth waiting for. Our students shone in the afternoon sun as they scored several tries. Who could forget Mr. Breaker's length of the field solo try?

Mrs. Pitts and I were very proud of the team and the way they played against the best teams in our area.

I would like to thank Mr. Wicks and Mr. Sargeant for their help and assistance leading up to the day as well as on the day.

A big thank you to all the parents that came and supported our team.

Looking forward to next year's gala day. Pre-season training begins on 7 November.

Yours in Rugby,

Mr. Parks



## Debating Team Success

It is impossible to feel more proud of our inspiring debaters who've WON their first debate in the Premier's Debating Challenge!

Veda A, Aysha C, Olivia V, and Sophia B represented Wideview in the debate against Waitara Public School last week. The topic was "Every class in primary school should adopt a dog or a cat as a class pet". Wideview had to argue for the negative against a very convincing and confident affirmative team from Waitara.

Well done debaters and we look forward to the next round in a few short weeks!

Mr Smith and Mrs Donahue

## 3/4F Science – The Sun and our Shadows

3/4F had the best time taking their learning outside yesterday. As a class they created this recount to share: 'We learnt how shadows can move because of the Earth rotating. Our shadows have moved because the Earth is turning away from the Sun. We have completed hourly checks of the shadows and predicted where our shadows will be at the next hour'.



## Working with Children Checks (WWCC)

If you are wanting to volunteer at Wideview PS a WWCC check must be completed. They have now gone digital, making the process quick and easy!

To register, please contact the office to provide some details and we will send the digital declaration to your email. Please note that we will need to sight a photo ID before completing the process.

For volunteers that have previously completed a paper form, an email has been sent to you requesting a digital declaration to be completed. If you have not done this yet, could you please complete when possible. ID will not need to be sighted as we have seen this already.

# Merit Awards

Congratulations to our award recipients for Term 2 Week 4 & 5

<b>KLV</b>	Abel Q, Kai R, Audrey C, Riley G	<b>KMP</b>	Aidan S, Issy C, Alfie S, Tori W
<b>1H</b>	Dean E, Eifi F, Emma P, Ava M	<b>1W</b>	Shanaya G, Henry P, Matilda J, Andrew P
<b>2G</b>	Ava H, Zara M., Amelia K, Lilah P	<b>2S</b>	Elliott F, Matilda B, Evelyn H, Josiah T
<b>3H</b>	Ahalya N, Emma N, Summer I, Henry P	<b>3/4F</b>	Abby S, Charlie B, Mason M, Kylan S
<b>4H</b>	Theo A, Natasha E, Skyla F-G, Jesse E	<b>4/5C</b>	Scarlette W, Max S, Beau F, Alina T
<b>5P</b>	Ryan A, William F, Ashley P, Paityn H	<b>5/6D</b>	Amelie F, Addi N-K, Luke D (Rugby), Sophie N, Will D
<b>6C</b>	Eli G, Siena M, Sam R, Edwin H		<b>Principal Trophy: 2S, KLV</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>





### **School Hats**

Please help your child to remember their hat if they wish to play away from the sheltered areas.



### **Stage 3 Interrelate**

Session dates have been updated to

Tuesday 10 June  
Thursday 12 June




### **Reminders**

#### **Cross Country Ribbons**

Cross Country ribbons will be presented to the primary students who placed 1,2,3 at the school carnival at the *Monday assembly*  
*June 2*

#### **Jumpers, Lunchboxes and Hats**


Please label items so we can return belongings easily to students.



#### **HZSS Students**

Canteen For Fridays - We are encouraging students to only order a lunch order and avoid ordering recess. If the students are returning late to school, they will be eating a cold recess and we rather they enjoy a hot and fresh meal.

#### **Excursion Permissions**

- Cosmodome Stage 2 and 3
  - Opera House Recorder Students
  - New permission needed for Zone Cross Country due to change of date
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ASQUITH GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL, STOKES AVE, ASQUITH



**YEAR 5**

# CAPA & TAS IMMERSION

**CREATIVE & PERFORMING ARTS  
AND TECHNOLOGY & APPLIED STUDIES  
DAY**

**THURS 5 JUNE**



We are thrilled to invite Year 5 students to an exciting CAPA & TAS Enrichment Day at AGHS, where they will have the opportunity to experience a full day of expert workshops from Dance, Drama, Music, Food Tech, Wood Work & Technology.

- Designed to inspire creativity and foster artistic expression, this enrichment day offers students the opportunity to explore their talents, learn new skills, and collaborate with passionate educators in a dynamic, hands-on environment. Whether they love performing, painting, cooking or creating in other ways, this is a chance for them to expand their creative horizons and engage in the outstanding CAPA & TAS education available at AGHS.

**SCHOOL TOURS**  
FOR  
PARENTS/CAREGIVERS  
845-10.30AM

PLEASE REGISTER HERE:



[HTTPS://FORMS.GLE/TBk27Xy7JQnRZHNW7](https://forms.gle/TBk27Xy7JQnRZHNW7)



Scan me!





**ANGLICARE WINTER  
PANTRY DRIVE  
1 JUNE - 30 JUNE, 2025**

**We are again collecting pantry items that will be passed onto Anglicare who will distribute them to those in need across NSW.**

**This year we are hoping for donations of:**

Pasta & Pasta Sauces  
Tinned Tuna & Salmon  
Cereal & Long Life Milk  
Tinned Chunky Soups & Meals  
Tinned Vegetables & Tinned Fruits  
Hygiene items (pads, tampons, toothbrushes/paste etc)



**St Marks Anglican Church  
18 Berowra Waters Road, Berowra**



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## P&C Update

### Annual General Meeting updates

Thank you to all our amazing P&C members who attended our AGM on Monday 19 May 2025. We had a great turnout, with quite a few new and enthusiastic parents and many fantastic long-term volunteers attending.

I have the pleasure of announcing our wonderful P&C exec:

President: Erin Lee

Vice President: Anita von Korff, Steve Smith and Soumali Chitdamrong

Secretary: Caroline Anthony

Treasurer: Yew Cheong Lai

Thank you to Erin for taking on the president role this year. Erin has done an amazing job applying for fund-raising grants and has been a wonderful vice president over the past two years. Anita and Steve have taken on the Vice president role after being in the president and treasurer roles, respectively. Soumali is taking on a vice president role and will be continuing on with the newsletter updates for the P&C. Thank you to Caroline for continuing her fantastic role as secretary and thanks to YC for taking on the treasurer role, after being the treasurer for the Band Committee.

A big thanks to our Sub-committee convenors: Lauren Angel (WOOSHC), Michelle Stevens (uniform), Brynn Quick (canteen) and Edwin Tomlins (band), who have all continued in their roles. Thanks to the sub-committee members who support them throughout the year.

Due to the consistent rainy weather, our **movie night** has been postponed to further in the year. Please keep a lookout for other activities or fundraising events by the P&C.

Save the date for our **Student Disco**: Friday 12 September. Tickets and more information will be available next term.

## WIDEVIEW P&C VOLUNTARY DONATIONS

*Wideview P&C would like to assist the school with their development of "wet areas" for painting and art uses in between classrooms*

*If you are in the position to donate, please donate via Qkr! or direct deposit:*

**Name: Wideview P&C Building Fund**  
**BSB: 633000**

**Account number: 163071582**

*Please ensure that the payment reference clearly includes your name and email the details to receive your tax receipt to [wideviewpandcfinance@gmail.com](mailto:wideviewpandcfinance@gmail.com).*

*Note: donations over \$2 are tax deductible.*



*Previous Building funds have gone towards:  
Murals, Canteen renovations, school and WOOSHC building upgrades*



The P&C have been speaking to the school about ways we can help support the school. Wideview School would like to renovate the areas between some classes making them into “wet areas” suitable for painting and art uses. If you are in a position to contribute, please consider donating any amount you can spare to the P&C building fund via Qkr! or direct deposit. Any donations to the building fund over \$2 are **tax deductible**. *Please note: this is totally voluntary and independent from the school voluntary contribution.*

Wideview Canteen are in need of volunteers. Fridays are very busy and the day we need the most help. Please sign up if you can – there are multiple short shifts to choose from:

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

This is my last P&C newsletter update before handing it over to Soumali. I would like to thank everyone in the P&C, School community and Mrs Pitts for their support while I have been P&C president. It has been a very rewarding position, helped by a wonderful executive team.

Please see below for messages from our sub-committees.

Our next P&C meeting will be on Monday 16 June 2025 at 7pm online. Please email [wideview-pandc@gmail.com](mailto:wideview-pandc@gmail.com) once you have paid your P&C membership fee, to ensure you receive information for the following meeting.

## Canteen News

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

**The Wideview Canteen cannot open without volunteers. We especially need help on Fridays. Please sign up for a fun shift helping to prepare food for our kids!**

A big thanks to all our volunteers this term!

Please sign up for next term if you can.

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

As we head into Term 2, if you do clear out your old uniforms, please remember that donations are more than welcome, however we do ask that they be washed and in good condition for sale. Thank you!

Our next \$2 sale is coming! Check out the shop for specials starting term 2!

### **Returnable cloth bags**

**Desperately seeking 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.

### ***Stay in touch***

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

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

**Visit us:** You are welcome to browse/purchase second-hand or new items.

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 Vice President