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NEWSLETTER

2015 Term 4 Week 5

TERM 4 IMPORTANT DATES

Tuesday 3 rd November	In2Uni- year 6
Wednesday 4 th to Friday 6 th November	Stage 3 Canberra Excursion
Tuesday 10 th November	Year 6 Transition Day-Warilla HS
Wednesday 11 th November	Remembrance Day
Thursday 12 th November	Assembly, 2pm
Monday 16 th November	Kinder Orientation
Monday 23 rd November-4 th December	Swimming Scheme
Tuesday 24 th November	P&C meeting, 6pm

Dear parents, carers, students and community members,

Gonski Week

Congratulations to our outstanding Aboriginal Education team who presented our learning and successes throughout 2015 at a special Gonski event last Friday. More than 45 parents, carers and community members came together to celebrate our school's leadership in supporting reconciliation and innovation in Aboriginal Education. Thanks to everyone who volunteered their time to help set up, including the Tungai family, Uncle Ivan, Aunty Patty, Uncle Fred and Christina Richie. We appreciate your dedication and commitment to our school.



Our Super Selena!

Selena B, a student in Year 5 is this week competing in the National PSSA Golf Tournament in Newcastle. Selena came second in the NSW State competition, and has now also been selected by the Australian Institute of Sport for a golfing scholarship. Selena competes with dedication and commitment, but has drawn a lot of praise for her outstanding sportswomanship. We wish her all the best this week.

Swimming Scheme

Last week, all students in Years 2 - 6 received a note to attend the NSW Department of Education Swimming Scheme. This will occur during Weeks 8 and 9 of this term. All students are expected to participate, as all swimming levels will be catered for. The **total cost for your child to attend is \$10**, as the school will be subsidising the total cost of \$22pp.

In2Uni

The In2Uni Program is a partnership between the University of Wollongong, [Department of Education & Communities \(DEC NSW\)](#) and the Catholic Education Office (CEO) [Wollongong](#) and [Goulburn/Canberra](#) to enhance aspirations, awareness and attainment of individuals from our local communities.

On Tuesday, all our Year 6 students (and some parents) will go to Wollongong Uni for a day of exploration. This is the fourth year our school has participated in the program, and it is an excellent introduction to future career development for our kids. Thank you Wollongong University for this opportunity.

Stage 3 Excursion to Canberra

This week, 50 of our senior students will head down to Canberra to learn about our nation's capital city. They will attend sessions in Parliament House, visit the Australian War Memorial, Science Centre and

museums. Today, Mrs Anne Sudmalis (Federal Member for Gilmore) donated recess packs for all our students. We would like to thank her for this donation to our school. Excursions and out of school learning experiences are incredibly important and help children make real connections between classroom learning and the world. I would like to thank our parents who recognise this, and provide the financial assistance required to send their children on these excursions.

Sarah Rudling
Principal

Kids Helpline 1800 55 1800
Crimestoppers 1800 333 000

YOU CAN DO IT



What is Emotional Resilience (Toughness)?

Emotional Resilience means being able to stop yourself from getting extremely angry, down or worried when something “bad” happens. It means being able to calm down and feel better when you get overly upset, and bounce back from adversity. Emotional Resilience also means being able to control your behaviour when you are very upset.

Ricky Resilience says

**“I have a Positive
Habit of the Mind by
TAKING RISKS”**



Not Needing to Be
Perfect
thinking that I
don't have to be
successful or
perfect in
everything I do
thinking that it's
good to try
something new
even though I
might not be able
to do it.

Term 4 Week 5 YOU CAN DO IT Awards

TEACHER	NAME	YCDI AWARD REASON	CODE
Miss Bunt	Tomas T Aleksia M	Showing great getting along skills such as helping others. Participating in all English and Maths lessons with confidence.	G C
Ms Dunn	Shane R Jeremy G	Persistence in all areas. Improved confidence, particularly in writing.	P C
Mr Ellesmore	Jack K Gina K	Persistence in reading. Sharing her creative ideas in class discussions.	P C
Ms Holloway	Dante L Louis K	For excelling in reading. For confidence in reading and writing.	P C
Miss Lewis	Amilia G Thomas R	Resilience in preparation for high school. Showing confidence in Maths	R C
Mrs Mangos	Shane R Shylo M-J	Confidence during Aboriginal Education Showcase. Confidence during Aboriginal Education Showcase.	C C
Mrs Munro	Ceegan Mc Zoe A	Giving interesting ideas about penguins. Writing interesting sentences about penguins.	C C
Miss Prior	Julie K Jaylan W	Using descriptive words in writing. Coming to school every day last week and improving his reading.	C P
Ms Roughan	Tiffany B	Being a productive class member, great work!	P
Ms Scott	Jett M Hollie W	Demonstrating confidence in project demonstration. Demonstrating confidence in project demonstration.	C C
Mrs Wheeler	Hayley D Tayn T Noah S-P	Working with persistence and resilience in all subject areas. Pleasing work and results in Mathematics. Super effort with his project work this year.	P,R P P

CODE

What 'key' does your award relate to this week?

O= Organisation (Orange)

G= Getting along (Green)

C= Confidence (Yellow)

P= Persistence (Purple)

R= Resilience (Red)



We would like to take this opportunity to invite the parents from your school to attend an information session in relation to cyber bullying and social media. As police we have seen an increase in issues relating to cyber bullying, sending "nudes" and other concerns in relation to social media. This session is **not** for students, it is for parents and teachers to provide them with information and strategies.

The information session will include a presentation from the Australian Federal Police, which was well received at our last principal's forum. We strongly encourage families who are interested to attend this valuable information session.

Where: Oak Flats High School (Auditorium)
(Entrance via 42 to 44 The Esplanade, Oak Flats)

When: 6.00pm for a 6.30pm

Finish 7.30pm

Wednesday the 26th November, 2015.

Should you have any questions in relation to this forum, please contact **Youth Liaison Officer, Scott Burgess on 42325329.**

Year 5 Parents

Students who will be in Year 6 in 2016 and wish to attend a selective high school in 2017 need to apply online at www.schools.nsw.edu.shsplacement Applications must be completed by 16th November 2015. For more information please see Ms Scott, Stage 3 supervisor.

Mrs Elizabeth Scott



Illawarra 2015 White Ribbon Day walk



Not violent. Not silent.

25 November 2015

White Ribbon Day and the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women

7am - 9am

The walk starts at Andrew Lysaght Park (east of the WIN Entertainment Centre) and finishes at Stuart Park. Following the walk we'll hear from DV survivor Shelly Walsh and Dr Michael Flood, an internationally respected expert on violence prevention.

More information and the walk registration form is at
<http://tinyurl.com/illawarraWRDwalk>

You can also visit the walk's Facebook page at
<http://tinyurl.com/illawarraWRDwalkFB>

Organised by the Illawarra Committee Against Domestic Violence in support of the White Ribbon Campaign

FREE

Moonlight Movies

**JOIN US FROM 6PM
FOR FOOD, DREAMTIME STORYTELLING,
ABORIGINAL DANCE, MUSIC, ARTS & CRAFTS.
MOVIE SCREENS AT SUNSET.**

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BRAN NUE DAE SCREENING
Saturday 7 November
King George V Park, Port Kembla

THE BRAN NUE DAE SCREENING IS SPONSORED BY
 **VESUVIUS**

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Moonlight Movies are part of our Illawarra 200 commemorations.
For more information visit wollongong.nsw.gov.au/illawarra200

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