COMING EVENTS FOR TERM 4, 2014

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Please Note: Some event dates and times may be subject to change

WYONG PUBLIC SCHOOL HEROES

**Merit Awards**

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<td>Amber M, Jesse D, Eloise H, Joshua C, Lachie K, Lily C, Ben D, Adam W, Jessica B-B, Savannah C-B,</td>
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**Avatar Awards**

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NOTES YOU SHOULD HAVE RECEIVED THIS FORTNIGHT – please check your child’s bag or our website for the following notes.

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Principal’s Report

Remembrance Day

This week we held the Remembrance Day ceremony at school to pay respect to the men and women who have served our country, and who continue to serve our country throughout the world in various conflicts and peacekeeping missions. The captains Lachlan and Montana did a sterling job in their presentations to the students and staff at school. The students particularly mentioned the significance of Remembrance Day and the history surrounding the minute’s silence.

We thank the students and staff for their support of this day and for making poppies with their classes.

Talent Quest

We have started our talent quest auditions for classes in the hall this week. Please see the attached outline of classes. This is a year 6 run event and is about the students having some involvement and the opportunity to perform. We have seen the kindergarten classes perform so far and they have been extremely good with their auditions. The students will have an opportunity to see the finalist later in the term.

Mrs Dawes on leave and then retirement

As you may have heard Mrs Dawes has ended her teaching career this week. Ros completed approximately 30 years of teaching and was sent off on a positive note this week. The students, staff and P and C wished her the best at an assembly and the staff will be having a formal dinner with her later this week.

Mrs Dawes passes on her appreciation and thanks for the many wishes and kind words.

Enrolments for 2015

Classes are beginning to get organised for 2015 over the next few weeks. We ask that if parents have any new enrolments for 2015 to please come in and complete an enrolment form to enable the school to plan for class sizes and resources for next year. We do need to send in our projected numbers for next year very soon so we ask you to enrol any new students now.

Reminders

Smoking - I remind everyone that schools are a non-smoking environment. This also means the area immediately outside the front gate. I ask everyone to adhere to this as we have had incidences of people smoking near the school gates which are in breach of this rule.

Approaching other students – I ask all parents / grandparents and family friends of students not to approach other students in the school and classroom about any incidents that may have occurred. At times there may be issues between students and families and we have strict rules about parents / grandparents not becoming involved or approaching / speaking to other children as this can inflame the situation and make things worse, let alone upset the student/s involved and their families and cause complaints to occur. It can also lead to the school issuing an inclosed land’s act notice which will restrict
the offender from entering the school. If you see an incident and wish to report it please contact the front office, or call the office to report this.


Parents taking children early from school
From time to time we have students being picked up from school before 3 pm. We understand this may be for appointments and special occasions, and need your help to ensure that these appointments are conducted outside of school hours as much as possible. Student learning time is paramount and if your child has to leave early we do ask you to write a note to their class teacher to enable them to be ready to leave school on time. It is very difficult for the office to call children down to the office at short notice for appointments and by ensuring the class teacher is aware of your child’s early departure this would assist the office staff.

Aboriginal Education

Wyong Learning Community Aboriginal Leadership Program students are participating in an Art and Public Speaking Program
Stage 3 Transition Program with Sam McEvoy

Ngara Aboriginal Education Consultative Group (AECG) meeting Monday, 24th November 3.45 pm at Wyong High School in the Library. All Welcome

Jeanelle Bundy Aboriginal Education Officer

**Sculptures by the Sea at Bondi Beach**

Last week Stage 2 students attended Sculptures by the Sea at Bondi Beach. It was a fantastic day with perfect weather. Thank you to Mrs Friend, Mrs Freers, Ms Dolbel, Mr Duncan and Mrs Rowe for supervising the day. I was amazed and very proud of all the positive comments we received from the public about how well behaved our students were during the day. The sculptures themselves were inspiring. Students were able to view and discuss sculptures by artists from all around the world, many being site-specific to the amazing location of the Bondi to Tamarama Coastal Walk. These sculptures were made from some very interesting materials ranging from the usual wood, stone and metal to recycled materials such as tyres, branches and even plastic picnic cutlery. A huge thank you to Mrs Friend for organising such a wonderful excursion!

Mr Duncan

**WPS Band**

On Sunday, 9th November the WPS Band together with the Wyong Creek Public Band achieved a silver award in the Central Coast Conservatorium of Music Band Festival held at Central Coast Leagues.

**Brian Hilton award**

Eliza Wright was chosen for the Brian Hilton award due to her mature and positive attitude towards school. She is a motivated and reliable student who strives to do her best in everything she does. She is a kind and caring friend and always encourages her fellow classmates. Eliza has beautiful manners and always upholds the virtues of our school.
Poetry by S3C

This term, S3C have been studying the narrative poem ‘The Highwayman’ by Alfred Noyes as our AL text. Through our study of poetic devices such as metaphor, repetition and rhythm students in S3C were able to model their writing on the author’s techniques. We hope you enjoy our poems!

The Beach by Lily C

The water was a sheet of glass reflecting the sapphire sky,
The trees were mighty monsters dancing with the wind awry,
The sand was a silk path of softness sprinkled from heaven’s door,
And the children came bounding-
Bounding-bounding
The children came bouncing, down to the fish and chip store!

Into the Storm by Eva F

The thunder was a frenzied bull dancing to the wrath of the storms demise,
The rain was a throng of bullets projected from merciless skies,
The wind was a stygian howl across the endless plain,
Yet the gallant boy came charging-
Charging - charging -
The gallant boy came charging through the seething storms main.

He’d a determined stare plastered to his face, rain drenching his skin,
Sopping hair strewn over his head, with clothes drenched through he came chargin’
His head filled with never a doubt, into giving up he would never transform.
And he ran with rain lashing out,
He fought with rain lashing out,
He persevered with rain lashing out, into the eye of the storm.

Planet Earth by Lachie K

Time is a dimension of existence, among the vast universe,
The sun rays make our shadows extend, making them transverse,
Gravity is what holds us here, on our planet Earth,
And the world keeps on shifting -
Shifting - shifting -
The world keeps on shifting continuing us so forth.
The Shoe by Blake L

The shoe was an abyss of obscurity among the hoary laces,
The sole was the light of darkness pitched onto many faces,
The tongue was a ribbon of sunlight over the yellow foot,
And the sock came tumbling-
  Tumbling-tumbling-
The sock came tumbling onto the timeworn bloke’s foot.

Milk-bird by Joel G

The breeze was a tempest of light racing among the trees,
The milk was white as the moon quiescent in a jar of creamy seas,
The sky was a briny of clouds among the essence of leaves,
And the milk-bird came flying-
  Flying-flying
The milk-bird came flying up to your door to retrieve.

The Hummingbird by Christopher H

The fan was a swirling tornado on the dirty wall,
The pot-plant was a homely beacon getting ready to fall,
The cob-web was a net of sunlight over the cracked broom,
And the hummingbird came flying-
  Flying-flying-
The hummingbird came flying, into the old classroom.
He’d a red-coloured feather on his forehead, a contour of blue at his chin,
A plumage of violet velvet, and feathers soft as doe-skin;
They were with never a crinkle: his talons were sharp as swords!
And he flew with a jewelled gleam,
His beak point was a-gleam,
His feet a-gleaming, like polished floor boards.

The Writer’s Tale by Elswyth P

The carpet was a red velvet coat colouring the dusty room,
The lamp was a golden heart, warming the musty gloom,
The wind was a soft stream howling riding a gentle twirl,
When pen ran over parchment –
  Swift silver pen on parchment –
When pen ran over parchment, the writer made tales unfurl.
Remembrance Day Diamante poems

Soldiers,
Dauntless, stealthy,
Hiding, blending, defending,
Attacking the enemy, Spilling over wounds,
Dripping, Staining, Pooling,
Crimson, sticky,
Blood.

By Paris H

Life
Animate, Energetic,
Surviving, Killing, Living
Serving in the war, Ending your life there,
Departed, Deceased, Killed
Lifeless, Unconscious
Death

By Mason I

Soldier
Strong brave
Running, Shooting, Yelling,
Throwing Grenades High, Helping Injured Men
Stitching, bathing, feeding
Kind, nurturing
Nurse

By Lily C

Poppies.
Blood-red, vibrant.
Wavering, rustling, glowing.
Sign of dead soldiers, laid in memorials.
Placing, gathering, donating.
Colours, petals.
Wreaths.

By Brianna W

WWI Soldier
Injured, innocent
Dying, wounded, running
Clinging on to life, helping the wounded
Helping, fixing, mending
Caring, loving
WWI nurse

By Corey
### WPS Talent Quest Semi-Finalists

#### $1L$
1. Zacary
2. Jackson
3. Holly, Sadida, Aleeyah
4. Mathew, Samie
5. Zachary

#### Monday 17/11/14
1. Wii just dance “that power”
2. 1.
3. 2.

#### $12M$
1. Hannah, Jasper, Ariah
2. Joanne, Tracey, Tahlia, Meg
3. Bryce, Kirra, Alexis, Danyka
4. Dark Horse
5. 1.
6. 2.

#### Tuesday 18/11/14
1. 2.
2. All about that bass
3. Happy, Pharrell Williams

#### S23W
1. Danica P & Natalie F (speech + artworks)
2. Jasmine S & Callai D-K (singing)

#### S23K
1. Tram, Jack, Tia, Chloe, Shania, Jess BB
2. Emma & Chantelle
3. Seth

#### Thursday 20/11/14
1. Live Louder
2. Move
3. 1.

#### S2A
1. Sherri
2. Natasha
3. Charlie & Bianca

#### S2CF
1. Victoria, Brooke, Tempest, Brodie
2. Tiarle Kroemer
3. Toby, Alex, Maya & Chloe

#### S2F
1. Sam, Jordan, Conner
2. Keilee, Laila, Misha, Jaidy, Alyssa
3. N/A

#### S3Mac
1. Sky, Felicity, Shanayah, Mary
2. N/A
3. N/A

#### Wednesday 19/11/14
1. Treaty
2. YMCA
3. 1.

#### S3A
1. Lily, Zara
2. Elvis, Jed, Locky, Jacob
3. Ebony, Annabelle, Zara, Brianna, Taleah

#### S3C
1. Jessie Whittaker
2. Jesse & Tanisha
3. Yr 6 Girls
4. Eva Feild
5. Corey Drewett-Lane

#### S3G
1. Maren
2. Charlotte
3. Ellie & Cinty
4. someone like you
5. Ghost- Ella Henderson
6. Ugly Heart

#### S3R
1. Yr 6 Girls
2. Yr 5 Girls
3. Yr 5 Boys
4. Dirty Pause-
5. Ugly heart
6. Ugly heart
7. 1.
8. 2.
9. 3.