## COMING EVENTS FOR TERM 2, 2014

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

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### WYONG PUBLIC SCHOOL HEROES

#### Merit Awards


#### Principal Awards

| Stage 1 | Ariah McL, Dakoda W-C. |

#### Avatar Stars


| Stage 2 | Scott G, Lily T. |

| Stage 2 | Joanne F. |

#### Principal’s Report

**Notes / Money for excursions and performances**

We have had some parents asking about due dates / money being paid for excursions etc. after the due date has ended. Our school is working from a new financial computer system and when a new activity (excursion, sports event, dance etc.) is entered into this system we must enter a due by date for all notes and money to be handed in. We cannot change this and this system is here to stay. Wyong PS is one of...
229 schools using this system before it is expanded to all schools. It is for this reason that money cannot be received after due dates. I understand this may cause some concern, but notes are given out to students in advance to ensure families have enough time to pay and return all permission notes. This new system will also allow you to pay via a parent portal (computer) in the future. We are still learning the parameters of this new system and will notify you once this new payment method commences. Our office staff therefore cannot take money / notes after due dates have ended.

Kangaloosh

By now you may of heard that Kangaloosh (before and after school) is closing at our school at the conclusion of the term. We are very sad to see this end and are working with the Assets group of the Department of Education to seek other interested parties to take up the role of before and after care services for our school. We have sent out notes to all families who use this service to outline this and we will keep everyone informed on the future of this service to our families. We would like to thank the Kangaloosh staff for the work done this term and wish them all the best.

I remind all families that our school will continue to offer students such services (pending numbers and stages ) such as morning breakfast clubs, homework for selected stages and after schools sports programs.

Starstruck- Wonderful Effort and Performance by everyone

Last Friday evening I was very lucky to attend the performance of Starstruck at the Newcastle Entertainment Centre. This was my first time attending this performance and I can say it will not be my last. The entire performance was of an extremely high standard, and our Wyong students were terrific in their two performances and congratulations must go to Miss Cruwys for her time and effort going into all aspects of the organisation, rehearsals and management of the students. Thank you to Mrs King and Miss Howard as well for attending to assist with the supervision of the students. The commitment by the students and families as well has to be mentioned; particularly the time taken to transport and be there for the shows. The overall choreography and organisation of the event was superb and our sincere thanks go to all students and staff (primary and high school) for displaying such wonderful talents. Brilliant work to all students and staff. There was over 3000 students involved in this performance which is a phenomenal amount of organising for all concerned.

This Friday 20th June, 2014 is Dance Festival (seniors) at Laycock St Theatre, Gosford. Students need to arrive at 6 PM and to meet Miss Cruwys at the “Glass Doors” on the Pacific Highway side.

Public Speaking

Congratulations to all students who made it through to the finals of the school public speaking finals. Stage 3 held their finals today. Public Speaking is a very difficult skill to master and to see the students speaking with confidence, clarity and with little use of notes is very pleasing to see. The impromptu speeches also are quite daunting to execute, but we saw some students with some very creative and well-presented impromptu speeches. These speeches only allow the students a short time to organise (5 minutes) so they need to ensure they have speech structures and points well organised. Well done to all students and to Miss Antaw –Molloy for organising the event.

Year 6 Discover Uni Day - Ourimbah campus

From all reports the students had a superb day at the Ourimbah Campus last week. The student’s spoke of the many activities they were involved in including some very interesting science activities. We were also impressed with the level of student behaviour on the day which is what we do expect.

School Development Day – TERM 3

Please note that Monday July 14, 2014 is a School Development Day and students will resume on Tuesday 15th JULY 2014.
Aboriginal Education

Reconciliation Week Celebrations `Walk the Talk` all students participated in a Whole school Aboriginal Flag Image on the school oval organised by Ms Cruwys and Mrs Whitehouse. Thankyou Mrs Stevens, Dwayne Wilkes, Felicity Perry, Deb Sirone, Pat Bridge and parents who supported this special day.

Stage 2 students participated in the ‘Kick Start AFL Program` for 6 weeks this was a great opportunity for Wyong Public School students.

Building Indigenous Capability PACE Mentoring Program is held in the school SACC week 7 and 8

Mrs Whitehouse organised a fabulous Aboriginal Art 3 Day Workshop with Brett Parker for all students in Aboriginal Art Design and Technique. The students are completing their work and working towards our school showcase for NAIDOC WEEK
Thankyou to who donated our art paper.

`YAAMA FESTIVAL ` Aboriginal Open Day Tuesday 17th June 10am-1pm at Child & Family Services Alison Rd Wyong. KB and our Koori Choir Didgeridoo Group will be performing at 10am All Welcome

**WEEK 9 NAIDOC WEEK**  Monday 23/6 Buudja Marrung Aboriginal Cultural Day, Tue 24/6  S2 & S3 Aboriginal Education Consultant Cultural Talk ,Wednesday 25th June 9-15am NAIDOC DAY assembly special guests, student performances followed by classroom visits and Morning Tea. ALL WELCOME

Jeanelle Bundy Aboriginal Education Officer

**EnviroMentors Workshop**

On Friday 13th June, 2014 K1L, S1L, S2F & S2/3 attended a waste management workshop with Marc Harper from Wyong Shire Council. The students learnt how to sort rubbish into household waste, green waste, recycling and food for the worm farm. The students will now be able to teach others how to be environmentally friendly with their rubbish!
On Tuesday the 20th of May our school cross country finalists travelled to EDSSAC sports oval to compete in the Tuggerah Lakes Zone Cross Country Carnival. With 12 schools competing on the day, there was some serious competition for our fearless Wyong Public School competitors.

On arrival our students and teachers set up camp on the hillside of the oval to be able to have a good clear view of all our runners in each race. After Miss Carissa Taylor walking the 2000m course with the 8, 9 and 10 year olds and Mr Mark McGuinness walking the 3000m course with the 11, 12 and 13 year olds, our first race started with the 10 year olds at 10:30am.

All our students put in inspiring efforts over the course of the competition, not only in their races but in their abilities to show sportsmanship and leadership for their fellow Wyong Public School competitors. With so many amazing acts of sportsmanship on the day it is difficult to highlight only a few, but some amazing moments included Kyenan C, never giving up even though he had lost his shoe part way through the race. Then there was Charlotte D placing in the top 10 for the 11 year old girls division. Also, Ivy D did an amazing job of putting on her bravest face after hurting her ankle part way through the race. Furthermore, Lachie K putting in a fantastic effort to take out 6th place in the 11 year old boys division and now off to represent Wyong Public School at the Regional competition to be held in June. Finally, it was the motivation of all our students never giving up and doing their best all the way to the very end no matter their place, which showed the true spirit of Wyong Public School.

I would like to thank the teachers, parents and students for making the day such a success.

Carissa Taylor