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WYONGB PUBLIC SCHOOL HEROES

**Merit Awards**

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**Avatar awards**

| KA | Sharlett D, Matthew S, Myah W, Jasmine B, |


**Principal Awards**

| KA | DJ T | 1B | Shaylah S. | 5W | Tanya C. |

**Principal`s Report**

**Education Week Open Day**

Last Thursday we had a terrific response to the showcase of student performances, open classes, and the book fair in the library. The students displayed dances (junior and senior), combined choir, strings group, speeches (kindergarten - years 6), didgeridoo and a duet in the hall. It was a terrific range of performances shown, particularly for parents and grandparents who may not have seen these students perform. The school had very positive feedback from this, and we very much appreciate the support of the community for this event. The staff put on a good morning tea following this and then parents and grandparents were able to visit classrooms, and spend lunchtime with their children.

I would like to thank the staff included in the organisation of the showcase and for their time in rehearsals before school, during lunch breaks and after school - Mrs Shelley, Miss Cruwys, Mrs Pass, Miss Scotton, and Mrs Bundy. We are very fortunate to have staff whom display a strong passion for their respective group.

**Leap Into learning**

Mrs Arnot has been organising the Kindergarten Leap into Learning Program for 2016 students. This is
a reminder that this program will begin from Term 4 this year, and we ask all parents to please enrol into this program, as we need to organise the times and days of the program.

**Kindergarten Enrolments**

The school is always taking enrolments, and from time to time we are asked about this process. The school has to enter our ‘anticipated enrolments’ this week, and we have done so. If your child is coming to school next year, we ask that you start to enrol as soon as possible. Please come in or call to make enquiries about this, as our staffing allocations are dependent upon the student enrolments and the sooner we have information about next year the better we can organise classes across the whole school. Please come into the front office for information forms, and our staff such as Mrs Tremble (Community Engagement), Mrs Sirone (Community Engagement), Mrs Bundy (Aboriginal Education Officer) or off class executive staff can assist.

**The Festival of Instrumental Music**

The Festival of Instrumental Music was held last week at The Sydney Opera House. This is a series of concerts that showcase the talent of NSW Public School Students who play in string or wind ensembles. Wyong PS had 11 fabulously talented students take part in the combined primary strings ensemble.

The Students travelled down to the Opera House by train in the morning and rehearsed for four hours, learning a lot about what it is like to be a professional musician performing at one of the world's greatest venues.

The students then performed 4 pieces, three with the String ensemble made up of over 250 violins, violas, cellos and basses. They sounded phenomenal. The fourth piece was the finale piece for the night. The strings were joined by over 700 recorder players to play a stirring and technical piece of work commissioned just for this show. They sounded excellent, both stirring and technically strong. Our students learned so much and performed with distinction.

Thankyou to Miss Scotton who put in a lot of her own time and expertise into making our group the success that it was and to Mrs Rosemary Reynolds our strings tutor.

**School Athletics - Primary**

The students from primary (8 years and above) will be heading to Wyong High School today for their track events. It promises to be a terrific day, with the weather fine and sunny. We will be posting the results and some pictures in the next newsletter. Parents are more than welcome to attend these track and field days.

The field events will be held here at school tomorrow (Friday).

**Todd Miladinovic**

**SCOPE IT workshops**

SCOPE IT 3D printing workshops begin Monday the 10th August. The 3D printing workshops teach students the basics of design and give students an understanding of the principles of 3D imaging. Students are encouraged to think creatively and employ problem solving skills as they develop their own creations. 3D printing is currently being used in many fields, from medical applications printing prosthetic limbs and organs to construction of houses for humanitarian aid work. 3D printing is fast becoming an essential component in the manufacturing of aircraft and motor vehicle components and is even being used in some countries for the production of food. For those who lean more towards artistic avenues, skills in 3D printing are also currently being used to produce beautiful artworks, sculptures and jewellery. We are looking forward to Scope IT visiting our school and giving our students the opportunity to create.

Mrs Kylie Adams

**Aboriginal Education**

Wyong Learning Community Schools Art & Cultural Program
Acknowledgement of Country workshop

Sharna Bowman Aboriginal Education and Engagement Officer and Kelly Godden ACLO Macquarie Park - Gosford Office held a workshop with our Stage 3 Aboriginal students and Parliamentarians. The students worked in groups and developed their individual acknowledgement of Country.

Our Elders volunteer daily in our school with Literacy Programs

Jeanelle Bundy Aboriginal Education Officer

Public Speaking Competition K-6

This year our school entered the Central Coast Public Speaking Competition. Children from K-6 were able to participate in the competition and the teachers have praised the efforts of all participants.

Congratulations must go to all the students in K-6 who reached the school finals of the Central Coast Public Speaking Competition.

The prepared speeches were all of such a high standard this year, that it was difficult to separate the top speakers.

K-2 had 2 representatives from each class which resulted in a fantastic final as many of the children had never spoken in front of such a large audience.


The stage 2 finalists were: Rhys J, Lilly S, James S, Rohith S, Holly D, Alex S, Zachary H, Meg C and Immanuel P.

All these students should be congratulated for their hard work in the competition. It was a pleasure to listen to such wonderful speakers.

Our winners were Amber M, Skye B, Rebecca S, Dylan J, James, Rohith S, Jacinta S and Kate G.

These students will go on to represent Wyong Public School at the District Finals on Thursday 6th August at Mannering Park Public School. We wish these students all the best on the day and I’m sure they will do our school proud.

Congratulations once again to all the students who participated in the competition and thank you to Mrs Stevens and Mrs Pass for organising the K-2 finals. Thanks must also go to Mrs Friend, Mr Miladinovic and Mrs Stretton for their fine job in adjudicating the finals and assisting with the competition. The class teachers also need to be commended for doing such a terrific job in preparing the students so well for the competition.

Thanking you
Mrs Joanne Freers

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**Basketball Gala day**

On the 3rd of August the boys and girls basketball teams ventured to Terrigal Scholastic Basketball Stadium. Both teams played three round Robin games.

The girls had a fabulous start winning their first game against Wamberal Public School. They then played two very close games against Berkley Vale Public School and Bateau Bay Public School.

The boys games started off tough, versing a challenging Erina Heights Public School team. They then played two close games against Chittaway Bay Public School and Bateau Bay Public School with only one interchange reserve player.

Both teams made a great effort and displayed fantastic sportsmanship!

Miss Emily Herbert

**School Swimming Water Safety program**

A reminder the closing date for the years 2, 3 and 4 school swimming and safety program, is Friday 21st August. Notes and payment must be received by this date. There are a limited number of places (60 only), so it is on a first in first served basis.

Mrs Bacon