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This week at The Bush School...

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BUSH TELEGRAPH TERM 1, WEEK 9, 2017

[Principal's News](#)

Missed some Mr Moth messages? Previous entries are logged on the website.

NO CROSSING GUARD

Our crossing supervisor, Andrea, has recently re-located and so we are temporarily without a crossing supervisor on Burns Road. Andrea has been a loyal servant of the community for the previous decade and we will all miss her persistent message about road safety for both pedestrians and motorists. The service that she has provided has been second-to-none and we wish her well in her future endeavours. The Roads and Maritime Service has not yet appointed a replacement. Therefore, I ask that you raise the profile of road safety at the dinner table and talk to your children about safe practices. [Attached here](#) is a notice I sent via email yesterday to our parent community.

NO DEVICES ON CAMP

Next week our Year 5 and 6 staff and students will be visiting Canberra. We wish them a happy, memorable and educational journey. I take this opportunity to remind parents and students that no devices including cameras are permitted on camp. This is a condition of students attending

HARMONY DAY

Tuesday was the most incredible day of cultural celebration. As principal I was filled with such pride at the cohesive, unified community on display, and at the time, effort and value attributed to the day by our staff and community. Thank you to the many school visitors who attended the parade, concert and parties. Particular thanks should be directed towards Mrs Piper whose vision and coordination enabled the day to occur. We raised \$925.00 to donate towards Save the Children Fund.



FUTURES LEARNING CONFERENCE

Two staff members, Mrs Graham and Mrs Badings are currently in Melbourne at the National Future School Learning Conference and Expo. This high level professional learning is critical in maintaining the school's progression towards cultivating students with 21st century fluencies required for an unknown future. We look forward to Mrs Graham and Mrs Badings, in turn, feeding back to our staff.

IGA EAST WAHROONGA THANK YOU

East Wahroonga IGA made a sizeable donation to the school this morning, further continuing the partnership formed between the two organisations last year. I thank IGA at East Wahroonga and commend it to you. Please consider supporting our supporters.

DISCO TONIGHT

Tonight we get our dancing shoes on and tomorrow our back braces and Voltaren. I am looking

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at 6.30pm. Thank you to the P&C for its organisation of this event. Due to injuries in 2016, the play equipment will not be accessible after school and during the disco.

WORKING BEE TOMORROW

Tomorrow the first working bee of the year will take place. I understand that the weather is again a little dicey, but we will proceed any way, as there are some small jobs that could be completed even with a low turn-out of helpers. If you have just an hour to spare between 8:00am and 2:00pm feel free to come and join me! Bring your gloves if you have any.

Tom Moth Principal

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Deputy Principal's News

NSW PSSA KNOCKOUT GIRLS HOCKEY

This winter, we have entered a NSW PSSA Knockout girls hockey team. Trials will be held on Monday 27th March on the Sportsfield. Girls who are trialling must have appropriate footwear and if possible their own hockey stick, shin pads and mouthguard. An open aged squad of students 8 years and over will be selected to play in our first knockout match next term against Point Clare Public School. Please meet Mrs Croswell on the Sportsfield at first lunch.

SWIMMING

Changes to times in Week 10 and 11

There will be a change to the swimming days for two classes (2V and 4G) in Week 10 and Week 11 this term due to PSSA. Class teachers will be in contact with class mums to rearrange rosters etc.

- 2V will be Friday 10:40am Week 10 and 11 only
- 4G will be Monday 10:40am Week 10 and 11 only

Water Safety Week

All classes in Years 3-6 will be having a water safety week next week (Week 10).

- Years 3 & 4 need to bring a shirt and a pair of shorts to wear in the water.
- Years 5 & 6 need to bring a long top and a pair of pants to wear in the water.

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Monday 27 March

- ERC & SRC Meetings in 4G at first lunch
- Girls Hockey Trials on Sportsfield at first lunch
- Gardening Club at the Bush Patch at second lunch
- Junior Dance Rehearsal in the Hall at second lunch

Tuesday 28 March

- St Andrews Staff BBQ lunch
- Chess Club in 6F at first lunch
- Senior Girls Netball Training on Netball Courts 1:20pm
- YICTE in ICT1 at 1:25pm
- Boys Dance Group Rehearsal in Hall at second lunch
- Stage 1 Sharing Time in Hall at 2:30pm

Wednesday 29 March

- Stage 3 Canberra Excursion
- Junior Choir Rehearsal in Music Room at 8:20am
- Gardening Club at the Bush Patch at second lunch

Thursday 30 March

- Stage 3 Canberra Excursion
- Intermediate Choir Rehearsal in Music Room at 8:00am
- ARTIFY in the Old Music Room at first lunch
- Intermediate Dance Group Rehearsal in Hall at second lunch

Friday 31 March

- Stage 3 Canberra Excursion
- Intermediate Drama Groups Meeting in 3K at first lunch
- Gardening Club at the Bush Patch at second lunch

Cynthia Groves: Deputy Principal



Watch our Harmony Day videos [here](#) and [photo gallery](#).

Sydney North Area Swimming

It was an early start for our 15 WPS swimmers who were represented Hornsby Zone at the Sydney North Carnival at Sydney Olympic Aquatic Centre. The competition was fierce and our best swimmers gave their all to swim their fastest in this spectacular arena. The Bush School kids: Josh J, Jack K, Daniel L, Sarah L, Louise L, Jonathon B, Lachlan U, Saskia D, Aiden K, Freya L, Harry C, Hamish P, Lucy M, Alexander L and Aaron Z did us #wahroongaproud.

Our first podium was Aaron Z who finished 2nd in the 13 years 50m freestyle. Josh J, Daniel L, Saskia D and Alex L looked fast in the heats of their respective 50m freestyle events to qualify for the finals. Daniel L flew down the pool to make the junior butterfly final while Alex L performed well to make finals of the back and fly. Our three relay teams swam brilliantly in their heats all qualifying for the finals.

Daniel L went onto take 2nd in the butterfly and earn himself a place on the Sydney North team along with Aaron Z. The exciting end to the day was definitely the team events. All teams swam brilliantly in the final with the junior girl team being crowned champions. The junior boys finished 6th and the senior boys 7th.

Congratulations to the following student who have progressed onto the NSW PSSA Swimming Championships that will be held at SOPAC on Wednesday 5th and Thursday 6th April. Daniel L, Aaron Z, Louise L, Sarah L, Saskia D and Freya L. [Photo Gallery](#)

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Our lovely Crossing Lady

I think you all know how much I love my job as your 'Lollipop lady' so you will understand how sad I feel about leaving you all. I thought I'd be here until I was a HUNDRED!!

I recently sold my house in Hornsby Heights and I am moving to Gorokan, on the Central Coast. I was hoping that I could continue on, commuting from there each day, but I have sadly realised how unrealistic that is. And that I would have to give up my loved position.

I am going to take several weeks of long service leave while I settle in to my new home and life.

It has been a great privilege to be entrusted with keeping your children safe, and to be a small part of your lives all this time. I have come to know many of you, staff, parents + children, very well. I have seen babies grow into toddlers, then into school kids and then high 'schoolers'.

Through all those years, you children have been a joy and delight to me. Your conversations and interactions have made me laugh, and think, and sometimes cry, and your parents should feel proud of your consistent courtesy and friendliness. You are a credit to them, your teachers and your school.

So.....while I will miss the Bush School community enormously, I have a wealth of lovely memories to take with me. I plan on visiting you through the year and I will be back to hang out at school with you all, one day next term.

Thank you for your kindness, generosity and support. Always. Continue to take care of yourselves AND each other. Have fun. Be safe.

Lots of love,

Andrea xxxxx



Donate ICT Gear

Every year, I ask for some donations to our collection of ICT equipment. If you have been recently upgraded some devices, it would be great if you could donate the old ones to the school's ICT programme. Most useful are any Android devices, an XBox Kinect bar, or old webcams. If you think you have something to donate, and you wish to check it with Mr Tomlins, please email him on edwin.tomlins2@det.nsw.edu.au



Free adobe Software for home use

software we will be using for this is **Adobe Premiere Elements 13 or 15**. Some students have expressed a desire to make and edit movies at home, or on their BYOD device. [Read More](#)



Easter Eggs for our Citizens

It has been a very long-standing tradition at Wahroonga Public School to support our local community. Each year the children are encouraged to bring an Easter egg to school for our local senior citizens. The Easter eggs are then donated to Kuring-gai Meals-on-Wheels at Turramurra.

When the senior citizens receive their lunch time meal, it will be accompanied by a small Easter egg and a home made card or note from the children of The Bush School.

If you would like your child to participate in this program and perhaps bring a little joy to a senior citizen living in our local community, please send in a small Easter egg and home made card to school with your child by Wednesday 5 April.

The eggs will be collected in the office flyer or KG- Mrs Graham's classroom. I will deliver the collection to Turramurra Meals-on-Wheels on that day.

Thank you for your support in this activity.

Kris Graham
Assistant Principal

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Easter Hat Parade



You are invited to the annual Easter Hat Parade. Kindergarten will proudly perform Easter songs and parade their beautiful hats made with their buddies on Friday 7 April 2017 at 2:15pm at Cola.



This section links to the school website.

[Go to our School Photo Gallery here](#)



Next Working Bee

Saturday 23 March 8:00am - 2:00pm

Music Matters

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Harmony Day Concert on Tuesday – you all sang so beautifully. Well done to all our choirs, soloists, and percussionists for your special part in our concert. I'm very proud of you all. Junior Choir performing at Week 11 assembly and Parents welcome.

OZ OPERA

Coming up on the last day of term, Friday 7 April, will be a performance by Oz Opera. They will be telling the story of The Three Billy Goats Gruff, using music from Carmen by Bizet! That will be interesting to see! We will be preparing for the performance with some activities in Music Classes over the next two weeks.

[Read more important information](#) about choirs and music RFF.



Band News

Band Workshop: Saturday 25 March: Please make sure the Band Workshop is in your diary. Parent help is required to set up and supervise tutorial rooms. Concert Band 2:00 pm – 5:30 pm and Beginner, Junior and Intermediate Bands 2:30 – 5:30 pm. [Read More](#) about band, Recorder Ensemble and WPS Band Festival.

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Library

Not sure when your child needs to return their library books? Library days for all classes are listed on the school website.

Premier's Reading Challenge

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2017 NSW Interschools Snowsports

JOIN THE WAHROONGA PUBLIC SCHOOL SNOWSPORTS TEAM

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Do you love to ski as a family? Can your children ski or snowboard? Please consider joining our school snowsports team in the July school holidays this year. Northern NSW Regionals will be held in Perisher this year. The primary school events are held on Wednesday 5th (snowboard and moguls) Thursday 6th and Friday 7th (Slalom and Skier X).

Children compete against the clock individually against many other schools in divisions.

Division 6 – Kindy to Year 2 (Slalom and NEW in 2017 Skier X)

Division 5 – Years 3 and 4

Division 4 – Years 5 and 6

Applications to compete in the ski and snowboarding events will open in May. Information is available on the website -

<http://www.nswinterschools.com.au/about-interschools> Please

contact Kris Graham with any questions.

Kristine.graham@det.nsw.edu.au

[Click here to watch a video about the championships](#)



P & C News

Diary Dates for 2017

School Disco - Friday 24 March

Barefoot Bowls - Friday 31 March (to be confirmed)

Mother's day stall - Thursday 11 May

Spring Fair - Saturday 9 Sept

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Uniform Shop News

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uniform shop must close at 3.00pm on Tuesdays so that the parent volunteers can collect their children at bell time, so please allow plenty of time to complete your order. [Read more](#)

In addition to school uniforms, the shop sells backpacks, library bags, hooded raincoats, art smocks and various school mementos.

Jane Ford bush.uniformshop@gmail.com



Canteen Update

The Bush Tuck Shop is open from Monday to Friday for Recess and Lunch. It provides a delicious and nutritious lunch for our children. The Canteen is independently run by an external business. On canteen days, paid staff and parent volunteers assist with the operation of the canteen. [Read More](#)

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I finished at the Bush school in 2015 and I am now in year 8 at PLC, Pymble.
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Georgia Degotardi

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