



Woollahra Public School Create Your Story:

An Invitation to Worlds Unseen A Festival of Creativity and Thinking



Woollahra Public School is proud to present our annual Festival of Creativity and Thinking - **Create Your Story: An Invitation to Worlds Unseen**. The festival forms part of our school's goal to ensure our children have opportunity to engage with rich learning experiences that foster innovative thinking and creativity. This year's festival celebrates and encourages an exploration of other worlds through storytelling.

Immersion in creativity can bring us closer together and help us cultivate greater self-awareness. Fine tuning the ability to feel a creative connection can help us develop our empathy and establish a deeper relationship between ourselves and the world.

The purpose of the storyteller is not tell you how to think but give you questions to think upon. We are all storytellers. We all live in a network of stories. There isn't a stronger connection between people than storytelling.

Our festival event promises to engage the whole school community in a range of unique learning experiences, events and shared performances by our students, teachers and community members from Monday 31 July until Wednesday 23 August. Over the course of the three-week event, a range of teacher led and expert community led workshops will be offered to all of our students. Community and expert led workshops will provide unique learning experiences for our students including photography, visual arts, writing, dance, film making, music, STEM and much more. The event will culminate in a whole school performing arts showcase concert on 23 August. Our festival is one of the most anticipated and enjoyed events of the year at Woollahra. Each year our students receive a specially crafted creative gift which invites them to develop their own creative offering that can be enjoyed by the whole school community. This year the school will contribute to an interactive gallery of questions, ideas, philosophical speculations and stories. We look forward to sharing this event with our community and hope you can make it.



Storytelling is the most powerful way to put ideas into the world. Stories are a communal currency of humanity.



The festival celebrates how NSW public schools are equipping young people with the skills and capabilities they need to thrive in a rapidly changing, globalised world. The key messages include growth mindset, creative and critical thinking, evolution of the classroom, strong relationships, and commitment to innovation and excellence.

We invite you to join us for the various activities throughout the festival. Take a look at our festival guide and planner to find out what's on.

Monday 31 July

Community Workshops:

Drumming and Percussion Workshop with Kids on Congas (Year 3)

Kids on Congas drumming workshops are passion driven and facilitated by an expert percussionist. Based on 25 years of drumming with some of the world's finest drummers and years of performing on stage, our sessions in schools are a fabulous HIGH ENERGY musical experience. We use a range of African traditional and contemporary drums, teach elements including dynamics, polyrhythms, tempo and focus on teamwork, building confidence and stimulating creativity. It's exciting, unique and very effective.



An Invitation to Worlds Unseen through Bonsai with Daniel Scott

This workshop will be hands on and will allow you to explore the mysterious and ancient art of Bonsai. You will help to:

- trim and wire a "large" banksia bonsai (small tree about 1m tall)
- fuse a gum tree "driftwood" branch with a young juniper tree

Teacher Workshops:

Animalia: Weaving, Sculpting and Storytelling with Ms Molloy Creating Creatures using ancient weaving and sculpture techniques



Tjanpi Desert Weavers are Aboriginal artists from the remote Central and Western desert regions. Tjanpi artists use native grasses, wool, string, seeds and feathers to make spectacular contemporary fibre art, weaving baskets, and sculptures. Explore the work of these artists and learn about their craft and culture. You will then have the opportunity to design your own creature, sculpt it using the art of armature (wire sculpting) and then bring it to life using weaving, wool, beading and various other materials.



Tuesday 1 August

Community Workshops:

Drumming and Percussion Workshop with Kids on Congas (Year 2)

We will welcome the Kids on Congas team back to work with our Year 2 students exploring the elements of music and all types of percussion in an energetic workshop full of lots of fun!

Teacher Workshops:

Animalia: Weaving, Sculpting and Storytelling with Ms Molloy Creating Creatures using ancient weaving and sculpture techniques

The team who began their beautiful sculpture creations inspired by the Tjanpi Desert Weavers will continue their work in this follow up workshop.





Singing Stars Vocal Workshop with Signor Kirkby

Enjoy a special vocal workshop, learn some new singing techniques and enjoy some interesting new repertoire. We will have lots of fun while we learn how to sing with a strong, beautiful voice and maybe become a Super Singing Star in the future.



Art and Nature with Ms Rush

Where is art in nature? Can nature be a teacher?

Connecting with Australia's beautiful natural environment has always been a priority for me. It is the source of my well-being and the sustenance of my curiosity. In this dynamic workshop, you will observe, reflect and represent Australia's diverse landscapes through watercolour painting. You will learn the basics of watercolour painting, from drawing and composition to colour and technique. We will explore symmetry, form, imagination, structure, creativity, abstraction, expression, process, product, line, pattern and audience.

Wednesday 2 August Community Workshops:

Visual Arts Workshop with Ky Smith at the Art Lab

Award winning artist Ky Smith will work with Stage 2 students in her studio, 'The Art Lab' to explore storytelling through still life painting. Learn special skills, tips and tricks involved telling your story through this artform.

From Ky...

It is very important to me that the students draw and paint from life. We will work in small groups and collaborate on composing a still life - arranging real objects: flowers, fruit, fabrics, bowls and vases into their own compositions.

I will guide you through the lighting and the use of materials. I find that the children gain an enormous sense of autonomy by constructing their 'Still Life' from scratch. Learning to see the perspective as it really is, the negative shapes, tonality...! You will leave with a completed painting on canvas!



The Craft of Writing and Storytelling with Jordan Collins

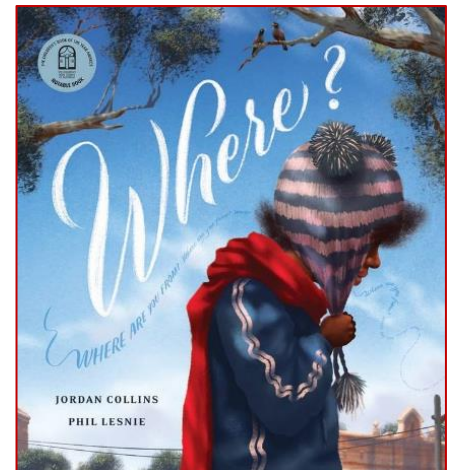


Jordan Collins was born in the United States, moved to Australia when they were eight.

Growing up, Jordan wanted to be many things: doctor, vet, artist, marine biologist - but stuck with 'author' because of their love of reading. Jordan is African-American-Greek-Australian, which means they have dark skin and curly hair. **Where?** began as a slam poem that Jordan wrote after a lifetime of being asked questions like, 'where are you from?'

They first performed the poem at the Poet's Picnic

when they were fourteen. **Where?** has now been transformed into Jordan's debut picture book, illustrated by highly acclaimed artist Phil Leslie. **Where?** is heartfelt picture book that challenges racism from an exciting new voice that is both a cry of pain and a demonstration of inner strength, which takes us on an intergalactic journey past collapsing stars and glowing nebulae to remind us not of our differences but of our shared humanity.



Join Jordan for an exciting workshop exploring the craft of writing and storytelling. Engage with new ideas and techniques as you tell your own story in different ways.

Teacher Workshops:

The Sound Of Music-als with Miss Jankelson and Mrs Rosenthal

Join us as we become 'revolting children' (not revolting singers!)...Imagine a world where anything is possible, and nothing is as it seems. *Be our guest* as reality and fantasy collide in this workshop where we refine our skills in the wondrous world of musical theatre. Through this workshop students will free their imagination by playing drama games that encourage intuition and curiosity. They will learn how voice, improvisation and physicality transforms you from one character to another, creating mischievous encounters through singing, dancing, and acting! This workshop enhances the love of performance and bravery for those who desire to unlock their imagination and discover *a whole new world* from an adventurous perspective. So come ready to play! After all, it's up to you to decide if *enough of us are wrong, wrong is right!*? R-E-V-O-L-T-I-N



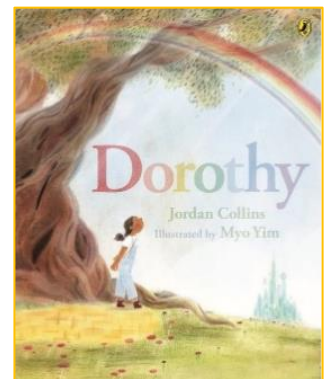
Thursday 3 August Community Workshops:

Visual Arts Workshop with Ky Smith at the Art Lab

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The Craft of Writing and Storytelling with Jordan Collins

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Music and Song Writing Workshop with Sam Higginson

Sydney songwriter Sam Higginson pours out his heart as he pulls on your heart strings. Exploring the emotional roller coaster of this ever-evolving journey we called life, his music is a shoulder to cry on and a friend to smile with. Since the release of his warm and wholesome debut single "Summer Breeze" in 2016, Sam knuckled down in the home studio with friend and producer Dominic Cabusi to record his debut EP, "The Journey So Far." With songs like "Stay Strong" and "The Fight" making you catch your breath, Sam's elegant and nostalgic lyrics are an open window to his life so far that if you peer through you'll see a reflection of yourself. Work with Sam to engage with his music and the creative process of song writing.

Teacher Workshop:

Animalia Moves: Stop motion Animation with Mrs Kazanis, Mr Lawson and Ms Molloy

Creating a short animation to tell a story with your creature

In 2018, Tjanpi Desert Weavers artists collaborated with animator Jonathan Daw to create two much-loved films. These films combine stop-motion animation with live-action storytelling to tell tales of remote desert community life, depicting the unique of community dogs and their friendships with Anangu. Using these films as inspiration, you will use your own creatures created in the first Animalia workshop to develop your own animated film.



Friday 4 August

Teacher Workshop:

Choir Workshop with Ms Molloy, Ms Lee and Mrs MacDonald

Enjoy a morning of singing and vocal fun as the Woollahra Super Choir comes together to work on their repertoire for their upcoming Performing Arts Showcase concert 'Artarium'.



Monday 7 August

Community Workshops:



The Science of Hip Hop with Nacho Pop

Students are shown the hip-hop spirit of science and given the confidence to bust their moves on the dance floor and in the lab! This workshop will engage the students in a high energy session where they will develop skills in dance and scientific understandings.

An Invitation to Worlds Unseen through Bonsai with Daniel Scott

This workshop will be hands on and will allow you to explore the mysterious and ancient art of Bonsai. You will help to:

- create some forest plantings with a collection of trident seedlings using some young field grown trees.

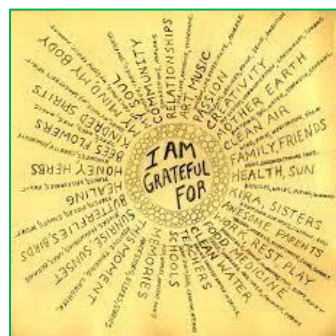
Poetry Live with Ms Molloy, Ms Issacs and the Woollahra Writer's Circle

The magic of language and poetry will come to life as the Woollahra Writers' Circle work to develop their own special poetic pieces and bring them to life through a fusion of poetry, art and multimedia.



Tuesday 8 August

Community Workshop:



Stories that Change our Minds with Alice Peel

The stories we tell ourselves matter. If our story is always that we don't have enough or are not enough then that is our truth... if our story shifts to having and being enough then that is our truth....

Join our much loved Grow Your Mind Founder and teacher Alice for a special story time session where we explore stories that have changed our minds. Enjoy the stories and then respond by working to make a beautiful art work centred around things we are grateful for.

Teacher Workshops:

Boys Dance Workshop with Mrs Rosenthal

Calling all Stage 3 boys with a passion for movement and rhythm! Unleash your inner dancer and join our exhilarating Boys Dance Workshop! Be a part of a journey of self-expression, creativity, and camaraderie like no other. Don't let stereotypes hold you back! Dancing is for everyone, and this workshop is all about breaking barriers and embracing your unique style. Plus, did you know that some of the world's most famous dancers are men? It's time for you to shine too! This boy's dance group will culminate in a stage performance at NIDA for the Woollahra Creative Arts Festival. Step into the spotlight and build your confidence while dipping your toes into the world of rhythm. Don't miss this opportunity!



Dash Robotics with Mrs Kazanis

Calling all Year 3 and 4 students! Join us for an electrifying robotics workshop featuring the adorable Dash robot! Are you ready for an unforgettable adventure in coding, creativity and problem solving? Dash robotics will allow you to embark on a journey into the fascinating realm of robotics. What's in store for you?

- **Get acquainted with Dash, the friendly robot with wheels and a heart full of curiosity! Discover how Dash moves, talks, and even dances, all under your command.**
- **Playful Coding: Unleash your inner coding wizard by using colourful blocks to create fun sequences of actions for Dash. Watch your code come to life as Dash follows your commands and completes exciting challenges!**
- **Music and Art: Explore the creative side of robotics as you compose melodies and create interactive art with Dash. Dance to the beats of your own coded tunes and witness the magic of robotic artistry.**
- **Team Challenges: Team up with your fellow students to tackle thrilling group challenges. Sharpen your communication and collaboration skills as you work together to solve coding puzzles and conquer obstacle courses.**



Wednesday 9 August



Community Workshops:

Centennial Park Adventures

The team at Centennial Park will take the students through some mindfulness activities including a bush walk through the pine forest. They will work creatively with nature to make a group mandala and their own nature inspired artwork to take home. The students will connect with nature, the surrounding animal life and themselves. They have a outdoor picnic amongst the natural environment before heading back.

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Visual Arts Workshop with Ky Smith at the Art Lab

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The Mask We Wear: Felting with Miss Bec

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The art of “wabi-sabi”- perfectly imperfect creations with Laura Jankelson and Miss Jankelson

This workshop explores clay as a medium of creativity, boundless meditation and self-expression by getting your hands messy. The Japanese ceramic art of ‘wabi-sabi’ allows for a flow of perfectly imperfect creations. The students in Stage 1 will learn the pottery techniques of hand building and coiling, discovering the tactile nature of clay and how it creates a story and a world unseen to its maker!

Teacher Workshop:

Band Workshop with Mr Molloy and Mr Birchall

Enjoy a morning of instrumental music as the Woollahra Intermediate and Senior Bands come together for a special workshop to work on their repertoire for their upcoming Performing Arts Showcase concert ‘Artarium’.



Thursday 10 August

Community Workshops:



Creative Writing and Storytelling with Kylie Burgess- Kime

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Imagination is more important than knowledge. We write stories to develop our imagination and creativity. To articulate our inventiveness and confidence. To practice bringing to life new characters, facing new situations, forging new worlds. There is no right and wrong - there is no way of making a mistake - it is YOUR ideas YOUR work and YOUR creative process. The key is to allow all of the ideas to flow and unlock yourself completely.

Kylie Burgess-Kime is an accomplished journalist, writer and thinker. Join Kylie for a special workshop focused on the process of creative writing. Immerse yourself in your own creative writing, learn some new writing techniques and share your ideas on the theme of DISCOVERY! Discoveries can drive stories forward. What type of discovery can you explore in your writing?

Visual Arts Watercolour Workshop with Genevieve Bell and Ms Byron

Nature's Palette: A Watercolour Wonderland

Immerse yourself in the ethereal beauty of watercolours and explore the wonders of nature in this captivating painting workshop! "Nature's Palette: A Watercolour Wonderland" is your ticket to unlocking the secrets of watercolour techniques while celebrating the mesmerising charm of the natural world. We will guide you through step-by-step instructions to help you unleash your inner artist and infuse your paintings



with the essence of nature. Whether you're a seasoned artist or a complete beginner, this workshop welcomes all. Discover the magical interplay of water and pigment, and watch as your paintings come alive with the spirit and beauty of the Australian landscape.



Teacher Workshops:

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- *creating a bust of this monstrous creature out of air dry clay;*
- *learning about the origin story of this literary masterpiece; and*
- *exploring why this novel, which has been recognised as the first science-fiction novel, is more relevant than ever today in the context of the moral dilemmas facing our use of artificial intelligence.*



Pinch Pottery People with Ms Wadsworth and Mrs Konstantaras

Join us in this ceramics workshop where artistry takes flight and doesn't stop! A haven for inspiration, learn the secrets of clay transformation! Embrace the clay, let your talent shine and unfold a masterpiece, one pinch at a time. Don't hesitate or delay, shout hooray for clay!



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Tournament of Minds with Ms Hayward



Do you like working in a team? Do you enjoy problem solving, puzzling things out and overcoming challenges? Are you creative, think flexibly and enjoy coming up with original ideas?



Do you enjoy experimentation and taking risks? Come to the Tournament of Minds Workshop if you answered yes to these questions. At the workshop, you will use all of the above-mentioned skills as you compete in a mini-Tournament of Minds. Competitors will collaborate in teams to creatively solve a complex real-world challenge which the teams will present at the end of the day.

Friday 11 August

Community Workshops:

Mundo Musica with Cesar Marin and Odyssey Music

An exciting and interactive journey through various cultures of the world with music, rhythms, instruments, and dances from Africa, South America, the Middle East and more. Led by highly experienced teaching artists skilled at inspiring and educating children through the arts. They create a fun and interactive environment where students learn creative skills and are introduced to arts and cultural experiences that can be integrated into other subjects and everyday life.

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Teacher Workshop:

Lego Masters with Mr Lawson

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to present your group's creation and discuss how it meets the design brief.

Monday 14 August

Community Workshops:



Photography Light Painting Workshop with Peter Solness

Peter Solness' workshops are based on 20 years of experimentation and practice as a celebrated artist. Peter is regarded as a pioneer in the art of light-painting photography. His images have been collected by major art institutions, as well as honoured with major

photographic awards and profiled in numerous photography and art magazines. Peter will work with some of our Stage 3 students to learn about and explore his technique in light painting.



Creative Exploration with SalmonHead and Hardin

Come and explore the wild creative energy that Salmon Head and Harding bring. Be in the immersive experience of **SalmonHead** performance, engage in creative discussions and then be guided to perform your own composition, which maybe co created to the rest of the group. SalmonHead and Harding will share their creative lives with you that were first formed when they were your age. Come, imagine your present and future life creative



Song Writing Workshop with Ricky Kradolfer and Brendan Iredale

Aspiring song writers and musicians will have the opportunity to work with our very own Rock Band and Guitar teachers Ricky and Brendan to take their music making to the next level of conceptualising, creating and recording their own song.



Animated Art with Startime

Our Animated Art Workshop is the ultimate mixed media design challenge! Weaving traditional artistic mediums; a pencil, a paint brush and paints; with innovative iPad technologies, to create dynamic animated artworks. By the end of the week children will have brought their artworks to life ready for projection to an audience of family and friends.



Tuesday 15 August Community Workshops:

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Teacher Workshops:

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Black Bird with Ms Petriella and Ms Molloy

If you stop to listen carefully you will hear a calling. Stop. Listen. Can you hear them?

*spirit, rain magic, inner fire, creativity,
freedom, joy, beauty*

The black cockatoo is calling for a celebration. Join us on the day that our very own black cockatoos come to life from the brick of the walls they've been patiently waiting on in our playground. The magnificent black birds will take you on a journey of creation, connection to the land and the self. You will explore the surrounding natural environment, create stories through movement, words and art, and have lots of fun creating a new black bird character to star in your own story time film. Expect to engage in photography, visual arts, music and dance and create a film.



Wednesday 16 August Community Workshops:

Wandana Aboriginal Culture Workshops: Journey Stones



Life Journey Stones are traditional Aboriginal teaching stones. Every symbol has a meaning and these stones are traditionally used to help with a deeper understanding of ourselves within Creation and the Dreaming. Students discover traditional artifacts handmade by Aboriginal Elders and discuss their origins and uses. They then explore how these artifacts are depicted in Aboriginal art along with other iconic symbols and their meanings through the traditional art of dot painting, x-ray art and animal totems. Students will learn about the history of traditional ochre paint, Aboriginal body painting and their meanings of song lines that connect the Aboriginal people and the land. The students will all paint their own journey stones connecting these Aboriginal

symbols to tell their own unique story. Life Journey Stones also make an impactful and memorable sculptural piece within the school grounds.

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Body Stories with Kayla

A creative dance session where students can freely explore their expression, imagination and learn new skills and ways of moving. Each session is built around a theme or concept and will facilitate exploration, creativity and connection in a shared experience where students have the opportunity to work together creatively and devise movement work of their own. Elements and the senses will inspire the work. The workshop will include a fun warm-up, creative movement exercises, guided tasks inspired by a range of creative stimuli and opportunity to share, perform and be celebrated.





Teacher Workshops:

Art Making through Sculpture and Drama with Mrs Warhurst

Using the story of *Eric* by Shaun Tan and Drama as a stimulus, students will create their own sculptures like those of Robert Klippel the artist. The sculptures will be made with a variety of materials.

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Teacher Workshops:

Sewing Workshop with Ms Renate and Mrs MacDonald

Collaborate with our teachers and your friends to explore the timeless art of sewing, experience the joy of creating a piece with your hands that simultaneously reflects craftsmanship and creativity.

Needing a new pencil case? Make one yourself! Miss Renate and Mrs MacDonald will help you use a sewing machine to make your own fabric pencil case from scratch. All materials provided. No experience necessary, just patience and enthusiasm!



Who's line is it anyway? Drama improvisation games with Miss Kostic-London

Did somebody say let's have some fun with language? Come and join me for a drama improvisation workshop!



Your voice can communicate so many ideas, let's explore its range and ability! The voice to an actor is so important and these games will help you think like an athlete when it comes to developing this skill. During 'The who's line is it anyway?' workshop we will play a range of drama games that will help you to explore your voice's tone and sound as well as help you to collaborate on the spot to show you how these skills can give a character or piece of writing a new identity! We will then play a round of 'Who's line is it way'. Come, join me and let's be silly while learning about how fun language truly is!

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Sculpture and Storytelling with Miss El

Polymer Clay

In this workshop you will learn all about the colourful and fun medium of Polymer Clay.

You will have the opportunity to sculpt 1 miniature sculpture which will be based off your character from your suitcase story. 1 other item of choice (beads, pendant, badge, figurine or magnet. The ideas are endless).

First, we will look at and be inspired by other artists in this field and find out who uses this medium and why you would choose it as an artist.

Then you will be given thinking time (enter pop music, discussions and flow state vibes... what's flow state you may ask? well you will find out when you come to this workshop) where you will research, draw and design your sculptures. Your work will then be taken to be fired and ready for collection the next day.

I Look forward to creating with you.

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Friday 18 August

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Wandana Aboriginal Culture Workshops

The Wandana team will return with their vibrant program focused on rich, interactive and authentic experiences for our students in learning about Aboriginal culture.

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**Festival Closing
Community Event –
Showcasing our Creativity and
Learning 9.15am – 10.15am**

Parents, relatives and friends are invited to join us for a showcase morning. Visit our classrooms and share in the ideas, artwork, writing, sculptures, designs and other pieces created throughout the festival. Talk to our young creative learners about their journey through the festival.



Artarium

Woollahra Public School Performing Arts Showcase

Wednesday 23 August 2023 @ 7:00pm

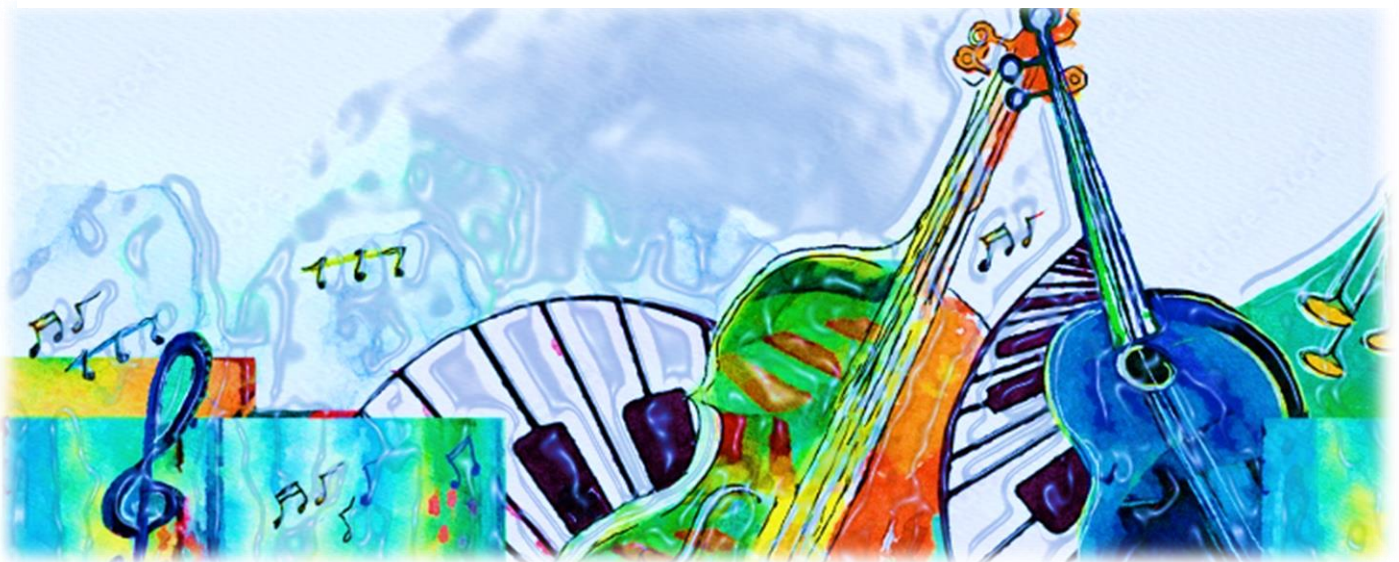
National Institute of Dramatic Arts – Parade Theatre
215 Anzac Parade Kensington



Woollahra Public School is proud to present our 2023 Performing Arts concert featuring the talents of our arts ensembles and soloists – Band, Choir, Rock Band, Dance, Musical Theatre, Film Making and Photography.

Join our performers and artists as they explore the galaxy and discover their own new planet – *Artarium*. It's a world rich in the arts, providing happiness, joy, inspiration and imagination to all who journey there. We invite you on this journey!

Tickets will be available for purchase in early August through the NIDA box office website.





Woollahra Public School

Creative Collaborations

Create Your Story: An Invitation to Worlds Unseen

Always was, Always will be Aboriginal Land

Learning and engaging with Aboriginal culture and community creatively

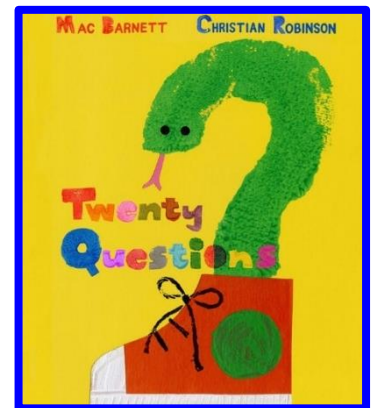


Through this project we will work with our students to develop a deeper understanding of Aboriginal culture and our First Nations community. This will include developing and filming our own personalised Acknowledgement of Country. A group of senior students will work over several months with artist Rheanna Lotter. Through art, story telling and practical experiences, Rheanna will teach the children about Aboriginal art and culture, create a collaborative art work that tells the story of what matters to our school community and create a digital art work. The final art work will accompany our

Acknowledgement of Country for display and sharing. Our senior dance company will work with an First Nations dance choreographer to create a dance piece to accompany the art work and Acknowledgement.

Creative Gift..

Each year our students receive a specially crafted creative gift which invites them to develop their own creative offering that can be enjoyed by the whole school community. This year the school will contribute to an interactive gallery of questions, ideas, philosophical speculations and stories.



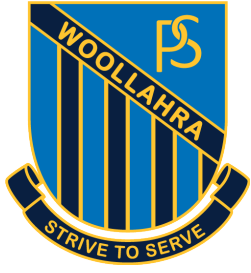
What Matters? A Community Writing Collaboration

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'What Inspires Us? Film Project

A group of talented film makers will work throughout the festival to film the creative journey of our students and staff. Through capturing our community creating, exploring and collaborating, the film will explore what it means to lead an inspired, creative and curious life at Woollahra. The series of short films will be shared as part of our culminating concert 'Artarium' on 23 August and at some of our other Semester 2 events.



Woollahra Public School

What Matters?

Create Your Story:

Our community comes together to write

A writing collaboration for the students, parents, staff, alumni and community members at Woollahra Public School. Celebrating our creativity, thinking and sharing of diverse perspectives through writing.



Expressing our ideas, opinions, thoughts and perspectives through writing and other creative endeavours is important to us at Woollahra.

The Project...

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The Brief...

Write an original piece responding to the question 'What Matters?'. This is an opportunity for each writer to reflect on an idea or issue of personal significance. Writers are free to express their views on any matter they care about. The written contribution can be in any form – prose, poetry or any style of your choice. It can be a piece of fiction, a persuasive text or opinion piece. Original photographs or artworks that may enhance your piece of writing are also welcome.



Who will be involved?...

The project is designed to be a whole community initiative that brings our special school community together in a way we haven't done before. We invite submissions from students, staff, parents, grandparents, community members and alumni. The students in the

Woollahra Writers' Circle will work to curate the submissions into a cohesive anthology that reflects the voices our community in 2023.

The Plan...

The project is being launched during our 2023 Festival of Creativity and Thinking. We invite you to start planning, imagining, sharing and writing. Submissions need to be forwarded by the end of Term 3 to:

woollahra-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au or nicole.molloy@det.nsw.edu.au

We will work to collate and curate our anthology in early Term 4 leading up to a special sharing event in mid- November.

The closing date for submissions is Friday 15 September 2023



Create Your Story

A Festival of Creativity and Thinking

FESTIVAL PLANNER 2023

Monday 31 July	Tuesday 1 August	Wednesday 2 August	Thursday 3 August	Friday 4 August
<p>Drumming Workshop with Kids on Congas in the hall (Year 3)</p> <p>Bonsai Making Workshop with Daniel Scott 9.30am – 11am in the STEM Room</p> <p>Animalia sculpture and Visual Arts workshop with Ms Molloy in the Kinder Courtyard 9.30am – 1.00pm</p>	<p>Drumming Workshop with Kids on Congas in the hall (Year 2)</p> <p>Animalia sculpture and Visual Arts workshop with Ms Molloy in the Kinder Courtyard 9.30am – 1.00pm</p> <p>Singing Stars Vocal Workshop with Signor Kirkby in the Learning Hub 9am – 10am</p> <p>Art and Nature Watercolour Painting workshop with Miss Rush in STEM Room</p>	<p>Visual Arts Workshop with Ky Smith at the Art Lab 9.30 – 1.30pm (Stage 2)</p> <p>Writing Workshop with Jordan Collins in the Demountable (Stage 3)</p> <p>Musical Theatre Workshop with Ms Jankelson and Mrs Rosenthal in the Learning Hub 12pm – 3pm</p> <p>Stage 1 Dance Ensemble 9am – 12pm in 1SK 9am – 12pm</p> <p>Australian Mathematics Competition</p>	<p>Visual Arts Workshop with Ky Smith at the Art Lab 12pm – 1.30pm (Stage 3)</p> <p>Writing Workshop with Jordan Collins in the Demountable (Stage 3)</p> <p>Song Writing and Music with Sam Higginson in the hall (Stage 2 and 3)</p> <p>Animalia Moves Stop Motion Workshop with Mr Lawson, Mrs Kazanis and Ms Molloy in the STEM Room</p> <p>Australian Mathematics Competition</p>	<p>Choir Workshop with Ms Molloy and Ms Lee in the hall 9am – 11am</p> <p>Australian Mathematics Competition</p>
Monday 7 August	Tuesday 8 August	Wednesday 9 August	Thursday 10 August	Friday 11 August
<p>Science of Hip Hop with Nacho Pop in the hall 9am – 3pm</p> <p>Bonsai Making Workshop with Daniel Scott 9.30am – 11am in the STEM Room</p> <p>Writers' Circle Workshop with Ms Molloy and Ms Isaacs in the Demountable</p>	<p>Grow Your Mind Workshop with Alice Peel in the Demountable and outside 9am – 3pm</p> <p>Robotics Workshop with Mrs Kazanis 9am – 12pm in the STEM Room</p> <p>Boys Dance Workshop with Mrs Rosenthal in the hall</p>	<p>Science of Hip Hop with Nacho Pop in the hall 9am – 3pm</p> <p>Visual Arts Workshop with Ky Smith at the Art Lab 9.30 – 1.30pm (Stage 3)</p> <p>Tell your story through Nature at Centennial Park (Stage 2)</p> <p>Visual Arts Ceramics Workshop with Laura Jankelson and Ms Jankelson in the Demountable (Stage 1)</p> <p>Band Workshop with Mr Molloy and in the STEM Room 9am – 1pm</p> <p>Felting workshop with Ms Bec in the Learning Hub 1.30pm – 3pm</p>	<p>Visual Arts Watercolour Workshop with Genevieve Bell and Ms Byron in the Demountable (Stage 2 and 3)</p> <p>Creative Writing Workshop with Kylie Kime in the Library 9am – 1pm (Stage 2)</p> <p>Tournament of Minds Workshop with Ms Hayward in the STEM Room</p> <p>Ceramic Sculpture Workshop with Ms Kon and Ms Wadsworth in the COLA</p> <p>Frankenstein's Creature Workshop with Mrs Markezinis in the hall (Stage 2/3)</p> <p>Felting workshop with Ms Bec in the Learning Hub 1.30pm – 3pm</p>	<p>Mundo Musica with Cesar Marin and Odyssey Music in the hall (Kindergarten and Year 1)</p> <p>Lego Masters Challenge Workshop with Nr Lawson in the STEM room (Stage 3)</p>
Monday 14 August	Tuesday 15 August	Wednesday 16 August	Thursday 17 August	Friday 18 August
<p>Photography Light Painting Workshop with Peter Solness in the hall (Year 5)</p> <p>Animated Art Workshop with Startime (Year 4) in classrooms</p> <p>Salmonhead and Harding Performance and workshop in the STEM room</p> <p>Song Writing Workshop with Ricky Kradolfer and Brendan Iredale in the Demountable</p>	<p>Photography Light Painting Workshop with Peter Solness in the hall (Year 5)</p> <p>Salmonhead and Harding Performance and workshop in the STEM room</p> <p>Blackbird Creative Workshop with Ms Petriella and Ms Molloy in the Kinder Courtyard</p> <p>Lego Masters Challenge Workshop with Mrs Kazanis and Mrs Fetherston in the Demountable (Stage 3)</p>	<p>Tell your story through Nature at Centennial Park (Stage 3)</p> <p>Wandana Aboriginal Culture Workshops in the hall (K-6)</p> <p>Body Stories Dance and Movement workshop with Kayla in the STEM Room</p> <p>Art Making through Sculpture and Drama with Mrs Warhurst in the Library (Stage 2 &3)</p> <p>Felting workshop with Ms Bec in the Learning Hub 1.30pm – 3pm</p>	<p>Creative Writing Workshop with Kylie Kime in the Library 9am – 1pm (Stage 2)</p> <p>Frankenstein's Creature Workshop with Mrs Markezinis in the Hall (Stage 2 &3)</p> <p>Sewing Workshop with Ms Renate and Mrs MacDonald in the Learning Hub/HH</p> <p>Felting workshop with Ms Bec in the Learning Hub 1.30pm – 3pm</p> <p>Drama workshop with Miss Kostic-London in the STEM Room</p> <p>Lego Masters Challenge Workshop with Mrs Kazanis and Mrs Byron in the Demountable (Stage 2)</p> <p>Polymer Clay with Ms El in the Library</p>	<p>9.15am – 10.00am Festival Closing - Showcasing our Creativity & Learning</p> <p>Parents and community invited to visit classrooms and share in the ideas and work created throughout the Festival</p> <p>Smoking Ceremony in the Centenary Playground to open the day at 9.00am</p> <p>Wandana Aboriginal Culture Workshops in the hall (K-6)</p> <p>Mundo Musica with Cesar Marin and Odyssey Music in the hall (Kindergarten and Year 1)</p>
<p>Wednesday 23 August – Artarium Performing Arts Showcase Concert @ National Institute of Dramatic Arts (NIDA) 7.00pm Featuring Concert Bands, Rock Bands, String Ensemble, Super Choir, Musical Theatre, Dance Ensembles and Soloists</p>				



Around here, however, we don't look backwards for very long. We keep moving forward, opening up new doors and doing new things, because we're curious... and curiosity keeps leading us down new paths.

Walt Disney

We are looking forward to a wonderful three weeks of enriching learning experiences and hope that you can join us to celebrate our Festival of Thinking and Creativity at Woollahra.

If you have any queries about the festival or would like to know more, please call our Deputy Principal, Serena Petriella on 9328 6313 or email at the address below.



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