



Woollahra Public School

Creating our Future: A Festival of Creativity and Thinking

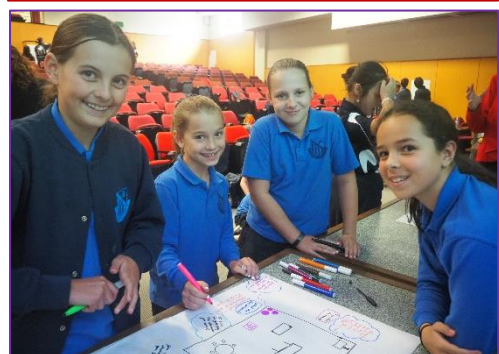
Festival Guide



Woollahra Public School is proud to present ***Creating our Future: A Festival of Creativity and Thinking***. The festival forms part of our 2019 Education Week celebrations and more broadly our school's goal to ensure our children have opportunity to engage with rich learning experiences that foster innovative thinking and creativity. Our goal is to provide students with new learning experiences, foster creative and critical thinking and involve our whole school community in this exciting learning journey.



All of our students will participate in a variety of learning experiences and entertainment including specialised workshops facilitated by experts and community members. They will also take part in a range of learning experiences led by their teachers based on quality literature, engaging art and purposeful projects. Students in our performance and specialised groups will be given the opportunity to showcase their learning throughout the festival.



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.

Education Week 2019

Monday 5 August 2019

Festival Launch in the Barton Playground @ 9.15am

Our opening will begin at 9.15am in the Barton playground with a whole school assembly. As part of the opening we are looking forward to hearing reflections on our creative learning journeys from students, staff and parents. We will also be presenting some very special Education Week Awards as well as hearing performances from our Senior and Intermediate Bands and the Senior Choir. All parents and community members are welcome.

Monday 5 August – Evening Events

Vivid Light Installation in the Playground @ 6.30pm

Come and stroll through our playground to view our own Woollahra 'Vivid'. Enjoy the light installations created by Year 6 students as part of their creative learning in STEM.

Inaugural Woollahra Great Debate @ 7.00pm in the hall



The theme of the debate will be the future of education for young people, inspired by our thinking about how schooling could be different at Woollahra. The night will be hosted and adjudicated by Jenny Brockie from SBS Insight and will feature an outstanding student team up against a brave Woollahra parent team!

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to engage in some wonderful debate about the future of education and support our community of thinkers!

Teacher Workshop:

- Sewing and Design with Ms Renate and Ms Barter

Daily Performances

Year 2 Recorder Ensemble, Primary Recorder Ensemble and K-2 Musical Theatre Company @ 1.30pm in the School Hall



Tuesday 6 August Community Workshop: Light Painting 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.

Teacher Workshops:

- Visual Arts Workshop with Ms Costello – Exploring Zentangles and Design
- Woollahra Writers' Circle Workshop with Ms Brodie

Wednesday 7 August

Teacher Workshops:

- Film Making Workshop with Mrs Sparkes-Carroll and Ms Wadsworth
- STEM Workshop with Mrs Garber and Ms Alicia
- Dance and Music Collaborative Workshop with Ms Molloy and Ms Boshell

Daily Performances

Junior and Senior String Performances @ 8.30am in the Barton Playground

ReEd Dance Troupes (Junior, Senior and Boys Hip Hop) @ 1.30pm in the School Hall

Woollahra Junior and Senior Dance Company and Choir Performance with Ms Boshell @ 2.15pm in the hall





Thursday 8 August Community Workshops: Imagination through Writing & Art

Students will work with writer and artist Isobel Harding to explore imaginative worlds and personal interpretations through writing and art. They will explore the interaction between these art forms and create some personal works.

Drama & Storytelling with NIDA

Year 6 students will have the opportunity to work with artists from the *National Institute of Dramatic Arts* to explore the power of drama in shaping imagination and exploring ideas.

Teacher Workshops:

- Cooking with Ms Kon and Baton Twirling with Ms Buttling

Daily Performances

*Baton Twirling Performance and Stage 1 Dance Performance @ 2.30pm
in the Chisholm Playground*

Friday 9 August



Visual Arts and the Environment Workshop

Students will explore the environment and how it can be represented through art with specialist Dave Harrington. They will learn

how Sydney's Aboriginal people used plants, animals and rocks to survive and thrive in the Sydney basin. Students will develop skills in designing and making products with natural materials.

Teacher Workshops:

- Visual Arts - students will work collaboratively to create special artworks with Ms Molloy, Ms Isaacs & Ms Petriella
- STEM workshop – creativity in Science with Mrs Kazanis

Daily Performances

- *Junior Band Open Rehearsal and Performance in the hall @ 8.30am*
- *Junior and Senior Rock Band Performances in the hall @ 11.00am*



Monday 12 August Community Workshops: The Hip Hop of Science Workshop

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

Visual Arts and the Environment Workshop with
Dave Harrington

Teacher Workshop:

- Sewing and Design with Ms Renate

Evening Event- Cantabile Music Festival @ Sydney Opera House

Our outstanding Senior Choir will perform at the Cantabile Music Festival as part of a high calibre massed choir.



Tuesday 13 August

Community Workshops: The Hip Hop of Science Workshop

Teacher Workshops:

- Drama and Musical Theatre with Ms Caspers and Ms Jankelson
- Bondi Debating Competition in the Library with Ms Isaacs

Evening Event- Bondi Showcase @ Souths Juniors

Ms Boshell's Junior and Senior Creative Dance Companies will perform with local schools as part of the Bondi Showcase Performing Arts event with other local schools.

Wednesday 14 August

Community Workshops:

Light Painting with Peter Solness

Specialist Choir Workshop with Daniel Mifsud

The primary choir will have the opportunity to work with specialist musician and conductor on some contemporary music for collaboration with our Rock Bands.

Grow Your Mind Student Workshops with Alice Peel

Various student groups will experience a joyful day of collaboration, exploration and games focused on wellbeing, character strengths, growth mindset and play.



Evening Event- Grow Your Mind Parent Workshop @ 7.00pm in the hall

As part of the school's wellbeing strategy we are implementing *Grow Your Mind* across all of our classrooms. This is an exciting initiative that puts wellbeing strategies at the centre of our learning programs and gives all of our children the tools and knowledge to develop resilience, compassion and high levels of emotional wellbeing.

As part of the implementation of this wellbeing initiative we have invited the founder of *Grow Your Mind* Alice Peel, to present a parent workshop on **Wednesday 14 August at 7.00pm** in the school hall. This will be an opportunity for parents to find out about the program, hear about the learning your children are doing at school and learn about strategies you can use at home. The session will run for an hour.

We encourage you to come along and join us for the workshop. There is no cost for the event

Thursday 15 August

Back to Woollahra Alumni Tour @ 9.30am

Our school has a long and special history. Thousands of students have called Woollahra home and remember their educational experience here very fondly. We welcome former students back to our school for a tour of the school and an opportunity to speak with our current students about life at Woollahra! Meet in the hall at 9.30am. Gate 2 on Forth Street is the best entrance.



Daily Performance

Combined Choir Performing at 9.30am in the hall



Community Workshops: Specialist Music Workshop with Veneno and Carlos C Major

Our K-2 students will enjoy a workshop with musician and songwriter Carlos C Major and his band Veneno. Carlos performed on The Voice this year and will run an interactive workshop with our children filled with energy, music and dance. The children will enjoy working with a high energy performer with a unique style along with flawless vocals.

Imagination through Writing & Art with Isobel Harding



Community Creative Evening Event- Photographic Light Painting with Peter Solness @ 6.30pm in the playground

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Friday 16 August

Community Event – Showcasing the Future 9.30am – 10.45am

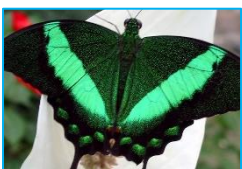
Parents, relatives and friends are invited to join us for a showcase morning. Visit our classrooms, enjoy sharing in our learning and look at the displays of learning and work created throughout the festival. This will include a special STEM fair presented by some of our classes across the school.

Creative Gifts – Thinking Toolkits

The focus of the festival is on imagining our future through a creative lens. Throughout the festival classes will receive Creative Gifts. These gifts will be thinking toolkits and learning projects which provide all students across the school to explore new ideas, experience a different style of learning and develop innovative ideas. Once the boxes containing the learning gifts are opened the focus will be wholly on thinking **outside** the box!



Butterfly Gallery



With a theme of 'Creating the Future', our symbol is the butterfly which represents change, hope and adventure. Every student in the school has written their hopes for the future on a butterfly. Visit our butterfly gallery in the main corridor of the Centenary Building (near the front office) to see the beautiful displays and look out for the butterflies with our hopes around the school.



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The Inaugural Great Debate

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Monday 5 August 7.00pm in the school hall

To launch Education Week and our *Festival of Thinking and Creativity*, we are proud to present the Woollahra Inaugural Great Debate. The event will celebrate all that we value at Woollahra – collaboration, community, sharing of innovative ideas, critical thinking and creativity.

The theme of the debate will be the future of education for young people, inspired by our thinking about how schooling could be different at Woollahra.

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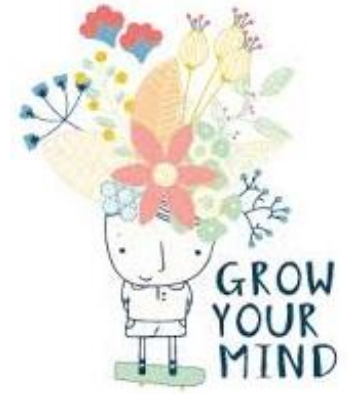
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GROW YOUR MIND



Parent & Community Workshop

**Wednesday 14 August at
7.00pm in the school hall**

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We need tools that are engaging and easy for teachers and parents to use regularly so that our children feel empowered to take care of their emotional well-being. Mental health awareness needs to start really young, as it is an imperative life skill that requires practice to develop. The *Grow Your Mind* team have designed kits for homes and schools that support children to understand their brains and emotions and focus on teaching skills for emotional wellbeing.

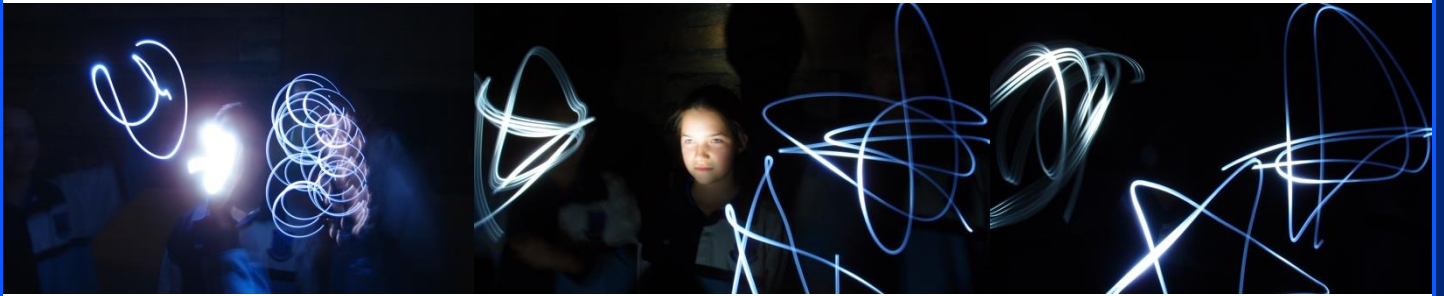


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More information about Grow Your Mind can be found at:

<https://www.growyourmind.life/>



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Year 6 Vivid Light Festival

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Monday 5 August 6.30pm – 8.30pm
in the school playground

The Year 6 students are proud to showcase their light installations and light artwork which has been part of their learning about light and energy.



The Year 6 Vivid Light Festival will coincide with the launch of Education Week and the Woollahra Inaugural Great Debate which will take place in the hall 7.00pm – 8.00pm.

Come along and view some wonderful artworks and celebrate the students' collaboration, sharing of innovative ideas and creativity.



Monday 5 August	Tuesday 6 August	Wednesday 7 August	Thursday 8 August	Friday 9 August
<p>9am Festival Opening in the Barton Playground <i>Senior and Intermediate Bands and Senior Choir (2-6) performing</i></p> <p>Sewing Workshop with Ms Renate and Ms Barter in Creative Arts Room (Stage 2 & 3)</p> <p><i>1.30pm Year 2 Recorder, Primary Recorder and K-2 Musical Theatre performance in the hall.</i></p> <p>6.30pm The Woollahra Great Debate and Vivid Light Festival in the hall & playground</p> <p><i>Learning with Creative Gifts in each classroom</i></p>	<p>Photography Light Painting Workshop with Peter Solness in the hall (2 sessions of 15 – Year 5)</p> <p>Visual Arts Workshop with Ms Costello in Creative Arts Room (2 sessions of 10 – Stage 3)</p> <p>Woollahra Writers Circle Workshop with Ms Brodie in the Library (16 Students)</p> <p><i>Learning with Creative Gifts in each classroom</i></p>	<p><i>8.30am Junior and Senior String Ensemble performance in the Barton playground</i></p> <p>Film making Workshop with Mrs Sparkes-Carroll and Ms Wadsworth in the Creative Arts Room (20 students)</p> <p>STEM Workshop with Mrs Garber and Alicia (20 students – Stage 1)</p> <p>Dance and Music Collaborative Workshop with Ms Molloy and Ms Boshell in the hall</p> <p><i>1.30pm RedEd Dance Troupe performance in the hall (Junior, Boys and Senior Ensembles)</i></p> <p><i>2.15pm Woollahra Junior and Senior Dance Company and Choir performance in the hall</i></p>	<p>Writers and Art Workshop with Isobel Harding in the Library (20 Students)</p> <p>Drama and Storytelling workshops with NIDA in the hall and Creative Arts Room (Year 6)</p> <p>9am – 11am Ceramics Workshop with Ms Kon in OOSH room</p> <p>12pm – 3pm Dance/Baton workshop with Ms Buttling</p> <p><i>2.30pm Stage 1 Dance Ensemble and Baton performance in the Chisholm playground</i></p> <p><i>Learning with Creative Gifts in each classroom</i></p>	<p><i>8am Junior Band Open rehearsal and concert</i></p> <p>Visual Arts workshop with Ms Isaacs, Ms Molloy and Ms Petriella in the Kinder Courtyard (Years 1-3)</p> <p>STEM workshop with Mrs Kazanis (Stage 2)</p> <p>Visual Arts and Environmental Education workshop with Dave Harrington in the Secret Garden. (Stage 1 classes)</p> <p><i>11am Junior and Senior Rock Band Performances in the hall</i></p> <p><i>Learning with Creative Gifts in each classroom</i></p>
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<p>Science of Hip Hop with Nate in the hall (Years 3-5)</p> <p>Sewing Workshop with Ms Renate in Creative Arts Room (1 session of 8 – Stage 2 & 3)</p> <p>Creative Environmental Education workshop with Dave Harrington in Secret Garden. (Year 5 classes)</p> <p><i>Learning with Creative Gifts in each classroom</i></p> <p>7.00pm Senior Choir performing in the Cantabile Festival at the Sydney Opera House with Signor Kirby, Ms Molloy and Ms Brandon</p>	<p>Science of Hip Hop with Nate in the hall (Years 3-5)</p> <p>Drama and Musical Theatre Workshop with Ms Caspers & Ms Jankelson in the Creative Arts Room</p> <p>9am – 1pm Bondi Debating Competition in the library hosted by WPS with Ms Isaacs</p> <p><i>Learning with Creative Gifts in each classroom</i></p> <p>6.30pm Junior and Senior Dance Companies performing at Bondi Showcase with Ms Boshell</p>	<p>Photography Light Painting Workshop with Peter Solness in the hall</p> <p>Grow Your Mind Workshops with Alice Peel in the Kinder Courtyard</p> <p>Choir Workshop with Daniel Mifsud in the library</p> <p><i>Learning with Creative Gifts in each classroom</i></p> <p>7pm Grow Your Mind Wellbeing Workshop with Alice Peel for parents in the hall</p>	<p>9.30am – 12.00pm Back to Woollahra Tour and Alumni Event <i>Combined Choir Performing</i></p> <p>12pm K-2 Music Workshop – Veneno with Carlos C Major in the hall</p> <p>Writers and Art Workshop with Isobel Harding in the Library (20 Students)</p> <p><i>Learning with Creative Gifts in each classroom</i></p> <p>6.30pm Community Creative Event – Photographic Light Painting with Peter Solness</p>	<p>9.30am – 11.00am Showcasing the Future Parents and community invited to visit classrooms and share in the ideas and work created throughout the festival</p> <p>Including the STEM Fair</p>



We are looking forward to a wonderful week 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.



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