



# Woollahra Public School



Term 3 Week 10 – 21 September 2022

## Calendar Dates

- Thursday 22 September – PUBLIC HOLIDAY
- Friday 23 September – Principal's Award Assemblies and Last day Term
- Monday 10 October – Students return for Term 4
- Thursday 13 to Sunday 16 October – Tournament of Minds International Final in Canberra
- Monday 17 October – FOCM Argyle Rehearsal and Concert
- Wednesday 19 to Friday 21 October – Year 6 to Canberra
- Tuesday 25 October – P&C Meeting

## Principal's Message: Ms Nicole Molloy



As the term is rapidly closes in on the holidays, we are amidst a hive of productive activity and learning at Woollahra. Over the last few weeks, I have been delighted to attend several very special performances. The Senior String Ensemble performed at the NSW Department of Education Arts Unit Festival of Instrumental Music in Sydney Town Hall. They were part of a combined strings ensemble of several hundred children and were proud to have our own Woollahra students Allen, Joshua, Max and Emma perform solo parts in the repertoire performed by the ensemble.



This week our Stage 2 Choir performed at the Town Hall as part of the Arts Unit Primary Proms concert. They sang with a massed choir of 400 students. The performances of both groups were divine. As part of these state-wide concerts a small number of students



from NSW public schools are selected to perform instrumental solos. This year our school had two exceptional students perform. Allen in 5H performed a violin solo at the Festival of Instrumental Music and Emma in 4I performed a cello solo at the Primary Proms concert. Both of these incredible musicians performed complex pieces with grace, skill and the most outstanding musicianship. They performed to audiences of thousands of people at the Sydney Town Hall to great acclaim. Enormous congratulations go to Emma, Allen and all of our string and choral performers. We are so proud to have such committed and talented musicians at Woollahra. It's another one of the many things that make our school so special! Heartfelt thanks go to our teachers and parents who work to ensure all of our children have these great experiences and are the best they can be!

We are also proud of our Senior Dance Ensemble who performed at the State Dance Festival, also to much acclaim. They were selected from hundreds of ensembles across the state to perform at this high level event and we were beyond proud of their performance. Special thanks go to Miss Boshell for her ongoing hard work with the ensemble and to all of the parents who have been so supportive.



## Thank you for a fabulous term

This is the last newsletter for this term. Thank you to the whole school community for your amazing support throughout the term. We've had a brilliant term on many levels and I am appreciative of all of your support and partnership in all that we do. I wish you all a very safe and restful holiday ahead of the beginning of Term 4, which commences on Monday 10 October 2022. I will be on leave for the first week of Term 4 and will return on Monday 17 October. I will leave the school in the capable hands of our leadership team and Ms Petriella who will relieve as Principal for the week that I am on leave. I'll look forward to catching up with you all on my return as we embrace an exciting Term 4! **Nicole Molloy**



## Grow Your Mind Spotlight Championing the Podcast

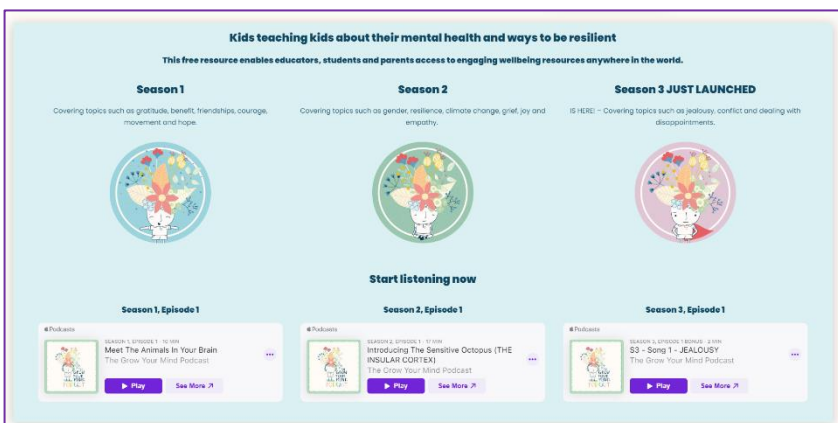
As you would be aware, an integral part of our work at Woollahra is a focus on positive mental health and wellbeing. In recent years, our understanding of what we as educators need to do to foster positive wellbeing has evolved and deepened. This knowledge recognises the importance of explicitly teaching our children skills to strengthen their emotional intelligence, form strong social connections, respond to difficult situations in a productive manner and have expert skills in emotional regulation. The various components of the *Grow Your Mind* program resonate with the learning and skills we want for our children. The program enables us to teach our children a strong understanding of Growth

Mindset and how this enables them to be productive, life-long learners, the value of using character strengths in all aspects of their development, brain awareness and how to apply this awareness to everyday situations and ways in which mindfulness can benefit us all.

Over the next term, we will spend time sharing aspects of our wellbeing approaches with the community and linking you up with the *Grow Your Mind* resources which are so important to our overall wellbeing strategy. A key feature of this strategy is the home-school partnership, establishing a shared language of wellbeing across the two environments and ensuring the conversations had at home and at school related to mental health resonate with each other. We will look to run a parent workshop in Term 4 and will spotlight aspects of the program in the newsletter each week. Keep an eye on our website as we add lots of useful links and resources there too.



An important *Grow Your Mind* resources is the podcast series. We have been excited to be part of the *Grow Your Mind*



podcast series for several years. We have worked with Alice Peel and her team in generating ideas for episodes, script writing and recording. In 2021 we even managed to record the next series through lockdown and via Zoom. The focus was on maintaining healthy relationships and managing conflict following the challenges of online learning. The podcast project has been instrumental in ensuring the principles of *Grow Your Mind*,



resources and content are widely accessible across our school community at any point in time. Through the development of a range of podcast episodes, we can all re-visit the key concepts of positive mental health in an easily accessible manner. This is so important in terms of embedding the shared language and principles of positive psychology into our school culture. Our students at Woollahra are excited to collaborate with Grow Your Mind in the production of the podcasts. It provides them with rich learning opportunities and deep engagement.

We encourage all families to access the podcast series at home. Talk to your children about the learning and thoughts arising from each episode and make looking after your mental health a daily conversation with the support of a brilliant resource. Go to this link to listen to the podcasts:

### [Podcast - Grow Your Mind](#)

## School Performance South Primary Schools Public Speaking Competition

This year the **School Performance South Primary Schools Public Speaking** competition returned and we have been entertained over the past week by students who have prepared outstanding speeches.

Ella, Marli, Lewis and Jacob are our stage winners and will be competing at Bellevue Public School next term. Their speeches were: *Let's make women's cricket equal to men's cricket, goals, my favourite place in Australia and start your day with music.*

Some of the topics have educated us about issues such as paper versus plastic, the mythology of movies, robots, culture, nature, extra terrestrial beings and why we should all dance. Students were able to choose topics about which they are interested and/or passionate. Students as young as five participated and we are very proud of the standard of the speeches and enjoyment shown by all including the audiences. Congratulations to all participants! Their names are listed below.



### 3-6 Finalists

Zola, Sienna, Kinga, Finn, Jacob, Sarah, Louise, Zahara, Ollie, Vincent, Brendan, Phoebe, Chloe, Nevada, Ella and Matthew.

### K-2 Finalists

Hayley, Marli, Eloise, Eleanor, Lizzie, Effie, Mia T. Mia S. Louis, Ari, Lewis and Nicholas.

## Recent Correspondence

- Media Release Note for Year 5 and 6 OC – Selective Education photo initiative 20 September
- Statement of Accounts for all unpaid accounts

## Whole School News

### 2023 Enrolment Intentions



Believe it or not, it is time to start planning school organisation for 2023! To assist in making important decisions regarding staffing and classes for 2023, we are asking you to indicate whether your child will be returning to Woollahra in 2023 or attending another school. We are asking that this short survey is filled in for every child in Years 1-5. The survey **does not** need to be completed for Year 6.

The survey is very quick to fill in and can be accessed at the following link or via this QR code. Let's see which class can have all of their responses in first! This information is really important as part of our planning processes.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RN7G8LX>

## Statement of Accounts

Statement of Accounts have recently been sent to families. If you are experiencing difficulty in paying this amount, please do not hesitate to contact the school to arrange a payment plan. It would be very much appreciated if you could settle any outstanding amounts owing as soon as possible.

## Stage 3 News

### Year 6 Canberra Excursion

Students from our school will soon be undertaking an education tour of the national capital. Students will be given the opportunity to participate in a variety of education programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy. The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of \$30 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education rebate program towards those costs. ***The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.***

## Parents & Citizens' Association News

### Uniform Shop News

The uniform shop currently has an extraordinary amount of second-hand summer and winter uniforms, including great quality short and long sleeve polo shirts, winter jackets and dresses/tunics. It is available for purchase **ONLY** during our operating hours.

For a limited time only, until end of Term 3, and only while stock lasts, we are having a **Buy-2-Get-1-Free (third lowest priced item free)** promotion on ALL second hand uniforms.

In addition, all second-hand backpacks are **FREE**..

Now is the perfect time to get ready for warmer weather or stock up on uniforms or just get a few extra spare items for when you inevitably lose something later this year!!

The Uniform Shop opens on **Tuesday and Friday** mornings between 8:30-9.00 am during term time. We also accept ONLINE orders for NEW uniform ONLY. Please send your order form including payment details to our email address and we will endeavour to fulfil your order within 72 hours. The updated order form is available from the school office or on the school website:

[https://woollahra-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/content/dam/doi/sws/schools/w/woollahra-p/uniform-shop/Woollahra Uniform Shop order form 2022-23.pdf](https://woollahra-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/content/dam/doi/sws/schools/w/woollahra-p/uniform-shop/Woollahra%20Uniform%20Shop%20order%20form%202022-23.pdf)

The Uniform Shop Team [Woollahrauniforms@gmail.com](mailto:Woollahrauniforms@gmail.com)

***The Uniform Shop hours are: Tuesdays and Fridays from 8.30am - 9.30am***







# Starting School at Woollahra

## Kindergarten 2023



Is your child starting school next year? We are delighted to welcome you to Woollahra Public School! Please join us for the range of events we have planned for our 2023 Kindergarten children and their families.

### School Tours for New Families

**Thursday 26 May and Wednesday 3 August 2022- 9.15am**

Our school tours are an opportunity to meet our Principal, students and staff. The tours will enable you to visit classrooms, talk to our students and tour the school facilities. Our students will give you an insight into the school from their own perspective and share some of their Woollahra stories. Meet at the school's main entrance on Forth Street.

### Learning Conferences for Families and Children

**23 May through to 16 September 2022**

Each student and their family enrolling in Kindergarten for 2022 is invited to attend an enrolment learning conference with our Principal or Deputy Principals. At this time you will have the opportunity to share information about your child's interests and needs as well as ask any questions you may have about the school.

### Playgroup Session for New Students

**Thursday 15 September 2022 – 9.15am**

Join us with your child for a playgroup session hosted by the school's Kindergarten teachers and our current Kindergarten and senior students. You will have the opportunity to meet staff, other parents and share in morning tea while your child plays with other children starting school next year.

### Evening Information Session for 2023 Kindergarten Parents

**Wednesday 26 October 2022 – 7.00pm**

Join us in the school hall for an information session run by our school leadership team. We will provide a comprehensive array of information on all aspects of life at school, school programs and give you the opportunity to ask any questions you may have.

### Stay and Play Orientation Program

**Thursday 3 November & Thursday 10 November 2022 – 9.15am**

All students joining us in 2023 are invited to spend the morning participating in a range of play, art, music and literacy activities as part of our *Stay and Play Orientation* program. At the end of each session you will be invited to spend some time in the classroom with your child.

### Best Start Assessment Period

**Tues 31 January and Wed 1 February 2023**

The Best Start Kindergarten Assessment takes around an hour and will be conducted prior to your child beginning school. This is an individualised assessment that helps teachers identify the literacy and numeracy knowledge and skills each child brings to school as they enter Kindergarten. We will make individual appointments in December.

### First Day of Kindergarten – Thursday 2 February 2023

Visit our website at [www.woollahra-p.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.woollahra-p.schools.nsw.edu.au)

### Woollahra Public School

We take pride in providing our students with a depth and breadth of educational opportunity. This takes place in a dynamic, innovative and caring learning environment, focused on achieving high levels of success for every child.

I look forward to meeting all of our new families and encourage you to contact the school and visit us so that I can personally welcome you to our great school.

**Ms Nicole Molloy - Principal**



## Out of Hours Extra-Curricular Activities and News

We have a range of extra-curricular activities happening at Woollahra before and after school and during break times. These activities are advertised in the newsletter for enrolment. Please see below for the contact details of all of our community users if you are interested in enrolling your child or need to contact the provider.

BJE	9365 7900	
Class Artz – Renee	0417 261 349	<a href="mailto:renee@classartzacademy.com.au">renee@classartzacademy.com.au</a>
Directions in Music - Phil Molloy	9662 2211	<a href="http://www.directionsinmusic.com.au">www.directionsinmusic.com.au</a>
GoGo Sports – Daan	0468 948 509	<a href="http://www.gogohealthykids.com.au">www.gogohealthykids.com.au</a>
Helping Hands Network (OOSC)	1300 612 462	<a href="http://www.helpinghandsnetwork.com.au">www.helpinghandsnetwork.com.au</a>
Italian Language – CoAsIt	9564 0744	<a href="mailto:learning@coasit.org.au">learning@coasit.org.au</a>
Mandarin Stars	1800 18 11 18	<a href="mailto:enrol@mandarinstars.com.au">enrol@mandarinstars.com.au</a>
Next Generation Tennis – Jed Gould	0411 775 945	<a href="mailto:jed@pjtennisacademy.com">jed@pjtennisacademy.com</a>
Rock Band & Guitar - Ricky Kradolfer	0407 534 944	<a href="mailto:ricky@rickysmusic tuition.com.au">ricky@rickysmusic tuition.com.au</a>
Strings Music Ensemble – Andrea Ng	0433 982 865	<a href="mailto:andrea.ng.86@gmail.com">andrea.ng.86@gmail.com</a>
Sydney Academy of Chess	9745 1170	<a href="http://www.sydneyacademyofchess.com.au">www.sydneyacademyofchess.com.au</a>
Tennis – Jed Gould	0411 775 945	<a href="mailto:info@pjtennisacademy.com">info@pjtennisacademy.com</a>
Valerie Jenkins Academy of Ballet - Gina	0400 229 712	<a href="mailto:dance@valeriejenkinsballet.com.au">dance@valeriejenkinsballet.com.au</a>
VIP Music	9411 3122	<a href="mailto:vipmusic@iinet.net.au">vipmusic@iinet.net.au</a>

## Kids!! Have fun learning to speak Mandarin



mandarin stars



fun mandarin for kids

### Mandarin Language Club at Woollahra Public School!

#### The Mandarin Stars program offers:

- An engaging program that will inspire a love for learning Chinese.
- An immersion-based program that teaches strong listening and speaking skills in Mandarin.
- Language building activities such as role play, Chinese songs, rhymes and games!
- The teaching of Chinese characters, reading, writing and Pin Yin!
- The discovery of Chinese culture, festivals, Calligraphy, Tai Chi and even Kung Fu!

Classes are on a Wednesday Afternoon!  
To book a free trial/ enrol for the term:

Click [here](#) for Kindy-Year 2 (3-4pm)  
Click [here](#) for Year 3 – Year 6 (4-5pm)

Please check out [here](#) for more class options.

[www.mandarinstars.com.au](http://www.mandarinstars.com.au) ★ [enrol@mandarinstars.com.au](mailto:enrol@mandarinstars.com.au) ★ Ph:1800 18 11 18





# WOOLLAHRA PUBLIC SCHOOL WEEKLY TENNIS CLUB



## NEXT GENERATION SPORTS

Established in 2001 ABN: 80 111 922 279

### Contact details

**Coach:** Allan – 0449 699 739

**Owner:** Jed - 0411 775 945 -WhatsApp

**Email:** [info@pjtennisacademy.com](mailto:info@pjtennisacademy.com)

### Don't forget to use your Active Kids Vouchers before they expire

<b>DATE:</b>	Friday Oct 14 – Friday Dec 16
<b>MEETING POINT:</b>	Outside School Gymnasium
<b>TIME:</b>	7.45am – 8.45am
<b>COST:</b>	\$170 (Pro-rata rates for late enrolments)
<b>HOW TO ENROL:</b>	Email: <a href="mailto:jed@pjtennisacademy.com">jed@pjtennisacademy.com</a>

FORMS MUST NOT BE LEFT AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE



ANZ Hot Shots Tennis is the fun way for kids to learn how to play tennis at school. Smaller courts, nets, racquets and low-compression balls make learning easy and gives younger players the chance to serve, rally and score right from the first time they play.

**SCHOOL  
OFFER**

**ALL NEW FULL TERM  
ENROLMENTS RECEIVE A FREE  
TENNIS RACQUET AS PART OF  
THEIR TENNIS FEES**

### IMPORTANT POINTS

- Students won't be accepted without enrolment form and payment
- Suitable for all boys and girls in primary school
- Coaches turn up for the tennis classes regardless of the weather conditions

**ENROLMENT SLIP | Tax Invoice** ABN: 80 111 922 279 (Term 4 Tennis, 2022)

CHILD/REN'S NAME

MOBILE PHONE/EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBER (Must be supplied)

D-O-B

EMAIL ADDRESS

AFTER SCHOOL CARE (If relevant):

Yes ☐

No ☐

ANY MEDICAL CONDITIONS

I consent to my child attending the Hot Shots Tennis at WOOLLAHRA PUBLIC and authorise the tennis coaches to supervise these activities. If medical treatment is required and contact cannot be made with a parent/guardian, I authorise the coach in charge to seek the necessary medical treatment. Next Generation Sports will not be held responsible for any accidents. I accept responsibility for the payment of this account

### PAYMENT METHOD - BANK TRANSFER ONLY

BANK TRANSFERS TO BE MADE TO:

JED GOULD

BSB: 063179

Account Number: 10181512

REFERENCE: STUDENT SURNAME and SCHOOL INITIALS

I acknowledge my child is automatically enrolled unless I am notified by phone. Classes missed due to sickness or injury will be credited. No refunds given for students changing their mind on joining the program