



Woollahra Public School

Term 3 Week 7 – 1 September 2022



Calendar Dates

- Monday 15 August to Friday 2 September – Festival of Creativity and Thinking
- Friday 2 September – Father's Day Breakfast and Classroom Visits for Parents
- Tuesday 6 September – Super Choir performing at Woollahra Goodwin Village
- Tuesday 6 September – P&C Meeting
- Thursday 8 September – Kindergarten Excursion to Centennial Park
- Thursday 8 September – Snr Dance Company technical rehearsal and performance
- Wednesday 14 September – Year 4 to Cockatoo Island
- Thursday 15- K 2023 Playgroup Session
- Monday 19 September – Primary Proms Concert
- Thursday 22 September – Principals Award Assembly
- Friday 23 September – Last day Term 3

Principal's Message: Ms Nicole Molloy



What an amazing time we have had at Woollahra over the last three weeks with our Festival of Creativity and Thinking! It's hard to encapsulate in words the excitement and engagement that was prevalent across the school as our children have enjoyed a range of learning experiences and we have connected with our community in a myriad of ways. Students have participated in workshops led by specialists across the disciplines of science, ceramics, visual arts, dance, photography, music, writing, drama, song writing, robotics, technology and Aboriginal education. We invited experts into our school who have led many of these workshops and we have appreciated the energy and passion our teachers have also put into the workshops. The festival has given our students learning experiences they would not otherwise have. We were also delighted to welcome so many parents



into the school across the festival for events including our special festival opening, our art exhibition, the Great Debate and the many wonderful performances put on by our performing arts groups. The festival ends this week but the legacy of learning and unique experiences our children and staff have had will be enduring. As one of our children remarked 'It has truly been the best three weeks of learning and fun I have ever had'! This encapsulates the deep learning, community spirit and sense of fun that we are so proud of at our school. Heartfelt thanks go to all of the families who joined us throughout the festival to share in the learning and celebrate all that we are so proud of at Woollahra! We also extend our deepest thanks to our festival coordinating team led by Ms Petriella for all of their hard work and the endless energy they've put into making the world's greatest festival ever happen!

We actively use our school Facebook page to share the great things happening in our school. If you are a social media user please visit our page at:

<https://www.facebook.com/Woollahra-Public-School-1538900772801462/>

Below is the speech I gave at our festival opening assembly last week:

Thank you Nevada, Joshua, Chloe and Alexander. You've done a great job hosting our festival launch today. A warm welcome goes to our visitors, mums, dads, family, friends, staff and most importantly, our students. I would also like to acknowledge the Gadigal people of the Eora nation. We honour all Aboriginal people whose spirit lies deep within the lands and country we learn on today. As we know, 'Woollahra' is an Aboriginal word for 'meeting place' so it is truly special that all 760 of us meet here every day to learn, sing, dance, create, play sport, share in friendship and become the best we can be. Aboriginal people have been doing these things here for thousands of years. We thank them for the opportunity to be on their land and share in their long established culture of caring and community.



Over the coming weeks we will be enjoying some very special learning across the school with our festival – Connect: A Festival of Creativity and Thinking. With the theme of connection – to self, others and the world, the festival aims to give our children at Woollahra learning opportunities they might not otherwise have. It has a goal of connecting authentically with our whole school community. It is a pleasure to open the festival this morning with this launch. We had a range of fabulous learning experiences last week and I look forward to the many workshops and events we have planned over the next two weeks. The focus will be on creativity, imagination, new ideas, thinking critically and collaboration. Our students will learn and explore alongside their

teachers, work with artists, musicians, writers, scientists and try new things. We are looking forward to enjoying performances from all of our arts ensembles throughout the fortnight and warmly invite parents and friends to the community events we have planned. They include our art exhibition – Express Myself which opens this Thursday displaying a self-portrait done by every student and teacher in the school and the Woollahra Great Debate next Monday night. Make sure you visit the hallway of hope in the main corridor of the Centenary building where you will see 1000 paper cranes symbolising hope and optimism on display. We will look forward to inviting friends and visitors to visit our classrooms to share in our learning and creations as we close the festival on Friday 2 September.

As Woollahra children and as community we are extremely fortunate to have what we have. Children, as we launch our 2022 Festival of Creativity and Thinking, I want you to take a moment to think of at least one thing you are grateful for at school. Keep that thought in your mind throughout the next couple of weeks and focus with gratitude on all that is special and enriching at Woollahra Public School. I also urge you to take every opportunity offered to you, explore, create and connect. My special thanks on behalf of the whole school community also goes to the festival planning team led by Ms Petriella and the many teachers who have contributed to making it all possible. We are deeply appreciative of your efforts.



As Lewis Carroll wrote in 'Alice in Wonderland', Alice laughed: "There's no use trying," she said; "one can't believe impossible things." "I daresay you haven't had much practice," said the Queen. "When I was younger, I always did it for half an hour a day. Why, sometimes I've believed as many as six impossible things before breakfast.

Have a fabulous festival. Enjoy your learning, try new things, explore new ideas, appreciate all that others have to offer and believe in impossible things. By doing this, you'll find a whole world of learning and experiences that are possible. Happy festival fortnight Woollahra!

Recent Correspondence

- Whole school Term 3 Invoices –
- Year 6 – 3 Day Canberra Excursion – note due 6 September
- Kindergarten Excursion – Wild Play Discovery Centre – Note due 1 September
- Year 4 – Excursion to Cockatoo Island – note due Friday 9 September
- Years 5 & 6 – Festival of Choral Music Argyle Concert – note due Thursday 8 September

Learning in Italian with Signor Kirkby and Signorina Skrypnikova

Exciting news! The **Woollahra Public School Italian Choir** is returning after a couple of quiet years due to Covid. Children in years 3,4 5 and 6 are welcome to join the choir and sing a range of repertoire ranging from Italian popular and traditional songs to 1960's pop and even to opera!

It's Italian assignment time again. I am thrilled at the creativity and dedication shown by students. Year 4 students will research a famous Italian. Year 5 will create a virtual Italian Dinner Party. If they wish, they can create the dish at home and film the cooking and the eating! **Signor Kirkby**

From Signorina Skrypnikova

Buongiorno e benvenuti a tutti! Good day and welcome to another edition of Woollahra Italian News. This year our Italian school program has been keeping everyone busy. It started with Year 3 students trying on the roles of Arlecchino, Pulcinella, Colombina and Dottor Balanzone - the characters of the famous Italian Commedia dell'Arte- as part of their work on Carnevale. The younger students created their own masks.

Year 2 group has learned to name and describe their family members in Italian, uncovering their creativity while creating their **Albero Genealogico** – Family Tree.

This term children have been preparing to present their Italian-English play about cheeky Pinocchio to their Kindergarten siblings, buddies and friends. They have spent much time rehearsing and are very excited to show their talents. We are hopeful for a warm reception, lots of applause and positive comments by the audience.

Our weekly Year 2 and 3 Italian lessons have turned into a room for Italian interactive activities on various Italian vocabulary. The work on Italian worksheets has been enriched by friendly competition in Quizlet and Kahoot educational games. Year 1 are about to follow this trend.

Term 3 timetable has provided Kindergarten students with the opportunity to learn their first Italian words and everyday phrases, which they have been picking up very quickly. They have recently discovered the Italian name for basic shapes and used those shapes to produce their drawings of the world around.

Apart from the Italian program's goal to enhance Woollahra students' interest and knowledge of the Italian language and culture, their natural curiosity has resulted in our children becoming experts in Roman numerals, Italian and Australian geography and other fields. They have also been improving and strengthening their literacy and numeracy skills acquired at other lessons. There are many other exciting events coming, Italian role-play about Pinocchio being one of note. We hope to see you there! Arrivederci!



Performing Arts News

Choir (Years 2-6) Performance at Goodwin Village

Our choir children in Years 2-6 have been invited to perform next Tuesday 6 September at Goodwin Village as part of their 50th Anniversary celebrations. A permission note with further details has been sent home. Please return this note no later than Monday 5 September.

Band Workshop Day – Wednesday 7 September

Our Junior, Intermediate and Senior Bands will be involved in a band workshop day at school next Wednesday 7 September. This will be an opportunity for the children to do some intensive music learning and rehearsals with Mr Molloy, Mr Birchall and some guest tutors. A sausage sizzle lunch will be provided and there will be a concert at 2.15pm in the hall. Parents are welcome to join us for the concert. More detailed information will be sent home to parents of band students. Please ensure your child brings their instrument and music on Wednesday.

Sport News

Athletics Carnivals 2022

For the first time in three years, the Sydney Coastal Zone Athletics Carnival was held at ES Marks Athletics Field on Tuesday 23 August 2022. After a WPS school athletics carnival held at Trumper Oval, the following students qualified to represent Woollahra Public School.

Long Jump: Grace 6B, Erik 6P; **High Jump:** Madison 5L, Jack 3C, Kai 6B, Cleo 6P, Nevada 6W; **Shot Put:** Ella 6MG, Max 5C, Alexis 6O, Ruby 6B, Ares 6B, Erik 6P

100m: Emma 3S, Hannah 3W, Presley 3M, Lachlan 2K, Henry 3M, Isabel 4I, Emily 3S, Philine 3S, Keith 3S, Jack 3C, Archer 3S, Roxanne 5S, Madison 5L, Hailey 4W, Dylan 5C, Henry 4W, Willis 5R, Lily 6W, Chloe 6MG, Ella 6MG, Luca 5L, Joshua 6P, Hamish 6B, Grace 6B, Charlotte 6O, Elle 6O, Will 6B, Oliver 6O, Erik 6P, Sam 6O

200m: Madison 5L, Elena 4W, Archer 3S, Billy 4W, Lily 6W, Chloe 6MG, Hamish 6B, Felix 6W, Grace 6B, Charlotte 6O, Oliver 6O, Erik 6P, Sam 6O

800m: Roxanne 5H, Hannah 3W, Nico 4W, Viet 5C, Madison 5L, Chloe 6MG, Felix 6W, Riley 5H, Abi 6B, Charlotte 6O, Sam 6O

1500m: Roxanne 5H, Hannah 3W, Viet 5C, Olivia 5H, Madeleine 5L, Riley 5H, Joshua 6P, Abi 6B, Abigail 6O, Sam 6O



Junior Girls Relay	Junior Boys Relay	Senior Girls Relay	Senior Boys Relay
1. Madison 5L	1. Henry 4W	1. Charlotte 6O	1. Will 6B
2. Hailey 4W	2. Keith 3S	2. Lily 6W	2. Joshua 6P
3. Cleo 4L	3. Presley 3M	3. Elle 6O	3. Oliver 6O
4. Roxanne 5H	4. Dylan 5H	4. Grace 6B	4. Luca 5L
Reserve: Isabella 4I	Reserve: Lachlan 2K		Reserve: Erik 6P

The following students have qualified to attend the Sydney East Regional Carnival later this term.



Felix 6W – 11 years 200m; **Luca 5L** – 11 years 100m; **Sam 6O** – 13 years 100m; **Grace 6O** – 12 years 100m and 200m; **Emma 3S** – 8 Years 100m; **Lachlan** – 8 Years 100m; **Ruby 6B** – 12 years Shot Put

The **Junior Girls Relay Team** and the **Senior Girls Relay Team** will also be attending (see team members above). Woollahra P.S came fifth overall in the Point score at the Zone Athletics carnival

Lachlan 2K (pictured) is one of our Regional representatives. **Judy Fetherston**

NSWPSSA State Championships

Meet Georgie from 6MG – selected as a member of the Sydney East Regional Netball team.

I competed at the NSWPSSA State Championships for netball recently. At first, I was pretty intimidated by the competition, and I think my team was. After a couple of games, we found our rhythm and started playing better together. On the second day, we had five forty-minute games in seven hours, which put a lot of pressure on us although we won most of our games. The second and third days were live-streamed as well. Personally, the third day was the hardest but our team played really well. Out of the thirteen games we played, we lost four, drew one and won eight. Overall, it was a great experience to play against such a high level of competitors, and we finished in fourth place. **Georgie 6MG**



Parents & Citizens' Association News

Next P&C Meeting

The next P&C meeting will be held on Tuesday 6 September at 7.00pm in the staffroom. All parents are welcome.

Uniform Shop News

The Uniform Shop opens on Tuesday and Friday mornings between 8:30-9am during term time. We also accept ONLINE orders for NEW uniform ONLY. Please send your order form including payment details to the 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/doe/sws/schools/w/woollahra-p/uniform-shop/Woollahra Uniform Shop order form 2022-23.pdf](https://woollahra-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/content/dam/doe/sws/schools/w/woollahra-p/uniform-shop/Woollahra%20Uniform%20Shop%20order%20form%202022-23.pdf)

The Uniform Shop Team

Woollahrauniforms@gmail.com

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



WPS Uniform Shop



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Woollahra Parents and Citizens' Association

There are many opportunities to help the P&C through involvement in our events and activities.

All enquiries can be sent to woollahrapc@gmail.com

President - Sasha Mollison

Secretary - Lydia Santoso

Vice Presidents –Mel Rose and Sheree Jonathan

Treasurer– Yocelyn Yonathan



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

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

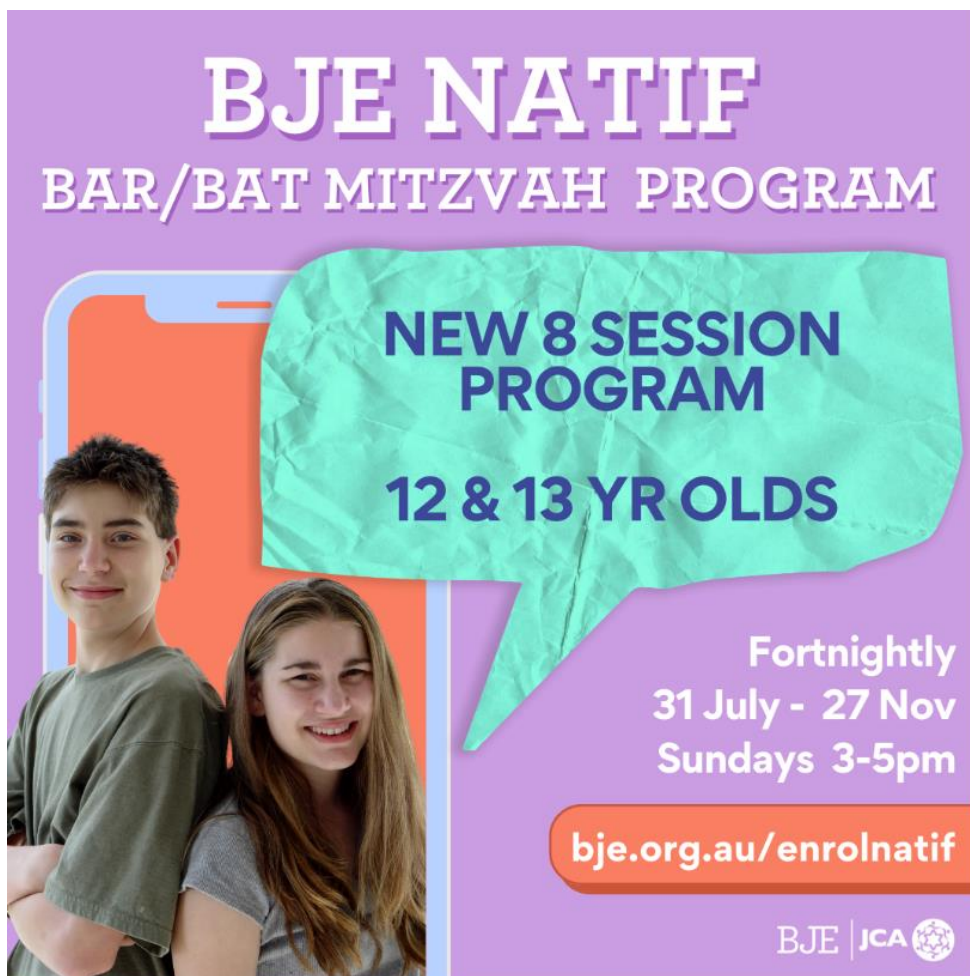


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Out of Hours Extra-Curricular Activities and News

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	renee@classartzacademy.com.au
Directions in Music - Phil Molloy	9662 2211	www.directionsinmusic.com.au
Easts Basketball	0402 634 001	info@eastsbbl.com.au
GoGo Sports – Daan	0468 948 509	www.gogohealthykids.com.au
Helping Hands Network (OOSC)	1300 612 462	www.helpinghandsnetwork.com.au
Italian Language – CoAsIt	9564 0744	learning@coasit.org.au
Mandarin Stars	1800 18 11 18	enrol@mandarinstars.com.au
Next Generation Tennis – Jed Gould	0411 775 945	jed@pjtennisacademy.com
Rock Band & Guitar - Ricky Kradolfer	0407 534 944	ricky@rickysmusic tuition.com.au
Strings Music Ensemble – Andrea Ng	0433 982 865	andrea.ng.86@gmail.com
Sydney Academy of Chess	9745 1170	www.sydneyacademyofchess.com.au
Valerie Jenkins Academy of Ballet - Gina	0400 229 712	dance@valeriejenkinsballet.com.au
VIP Music	9411 3122	vipmusic@iinet.net.au



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BAR/BAT MITZVAH PROGRAM

NEW 8 SESSION PROGRAM
12 & 13 YR OLDS

Fortnightly
 31 July - 27 Nov
 Sundays 3-5pm

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