



Woollahra Public School

Term 2 Week 6 – 1 June 2022



Calendar Dates

- Wednesday 1 June – K-2 Athletics Carnival
- Thursday 2 June – Multicultural Public Speaking Finals
- Friday 3 June – Kindergarten Incursion in the hall
- Monday 6 June – Year 3 Science Incursion in the hall
- Monday 13 June – Long Weekend
- Wednesday 22 June – Combined Band Concert 6.30pm
- Thursday 23 June – Senior Dance Festival Seymour Centre
- Thursday 30 June – 3-6 Athletics Carnival
- Friday 1 July – Last Day of Term 2

Principal's Message: Ms Nicole Molloy

Democracy Sausage Triumph and P&C Thank you!

Our hard working P&C and parent volunteers held a brilliant Election Day fundraiser recently and definitely had the best Democracy sausages around! Our sausages were so delicious that we had sold all 800, not to mention the beautiful flowers, divine cakes and great coffee.

Special thanks go to the many families who donated cakes and volunteered their time on election Saturday to support the school. camaraderie, teamwork and sense of community was a pure joy! We are very grateful your support. Funds raised on the day will go towards supporting our technology and STEM programs.



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Loving Mathematics with Adam Spencer

It's always such a thrill when you meet someone who you really admire for the first time. This is exactly what happened for our Year 6 OC students the week before last with an exciting visit from mathematics guru and author Adam Spencer. The kids were delighted to spend the morning with Adam thinking about the complexities of numbers, reflecting on the magic of patterns in mathematics and devising their own theories. There may have even been a few new

Woollahra mathematics 'laws' devised. It was exciting to see our students so engaged and excited about the high level thinking Adam facilitated for them. It's such an enriching and inspiring experience for our children to work with adult role models who exude a zest and passion for deep thinking. Our gratitude goes to Adam for the visit and also to one of our Woollahra mums Kylie Burgess-Kime for



helping to make the visit happen. We hope to have other opportunities for children across the school to work with inspiring adults throughout this year.



Learning in 3S and 3M with Ms Brodie, Ms Jankelson & Ms Hood



1J and 1BH continue to unleash their creativity with the *Amplify* music program. Each week we have been learning about and exploring different concepts of music such as pitch, dynamics, beat, tuned and untuned instruments. The students and teachers have enjoyed accessing and engaging with contemporary music that they know and love. We have been experimenting with different musical instruments and have been making a lot of noise! We can't wait to create our own compositions in the next few weeks to bring together all of our music knowledge.

Here are some reflections from 1BH and 1J students about their experiences in music lessons:



"I like music because I like listening to and hearing all the different sounds." - Priscilla 1BH

"I like the guitar. It can be soft and loud." - Atticus 1BH

"We have learnt about pitch, dynamics, beat and volume in music." - Marlon and Cameron 1J

"I like music because I like to learn new things." - Bella 1J

"I like it because it is so much fun." - Indiana 1BH



The Innovators Club 2022



The Innovators Club is a group of students focused on STEM, Game Changer, and other projects. If you're wondering what Game Changer is? It is a STEM Competition from all across New South Wales. The competition asks for students to come up with creative ideas and solutions to the main problem: We have a global challenge ensuring healthy lives for all, at all ages. We have to find the root problem, and figure out a creative solution that can benefit everyone with the time and resources allocated. - Sci Tech Leaders

Woollahra Public School is entering 3 teams in this year's competition, all from the Innovators Club. We hope that all teams will have fun and come up with brilliant solutions!

Written by Bernado and Lucas in 6MG (SciTech Leaders)





Maths Glorious Maths! A Visit with Adam Spencer

Adam Spencer, well known for his appearance on the Triple J morning radio, keen interest in mathematics and being a multi-talented comedian was welcomed to our school on Wednesday for a 45 minute lesson on making maths fun. Before he visited, both classes did some research on his life and what he was interested in. The lesson itself was focused primarily on prime numbers, and how we could determine them. I didn't

really know where we were heading as we were handed number grids and crossed out multiples of prime numbers, but after one of our classmates discovered a pattern (of which it was that the first multiple that any prime number to cross out would be the number itself squared), the lesson got progressively more interesting (and difficult)! After going through multiple formulas on how we could find prime numbers with many digits and reviewing the basics of prime numbers, we concluded on an inspiring note. One thing that I thoroughly enjoyed (apart from the lesson itself) was how Adam Spencer respected that everyone goes at their own pace in maths and let us privately tell him if we needed extra help. I thoroughly enjoyed the session and definitely believe it was engaging and interactive. **Fei 6P**



Adam Spencer is a famous mathematician, comedian and author who visited our school on Wednesday. My favourite moment of his visit was when we were given a number chart and tried to find out all the primes between one and one hundred. I really didn't know why we were doing this, as the whole class learned to do this in year 3. However, I soon realised that there was more to prime numbers than I ever could have imagined! Sean, my classmate, found a pattern in the chart (that the first multiple of each number to be crossed out was that number squared), then Adam Spencer lectured us about primes and composites, ending in telling us the biggest prime number in the world, having 24,862,048 digits! When he told us the importance of mathematics in terms of the future we were all very excited. At the end of the lesson he gave each of us one of his books, all signed by Adam Spencer himself! His book was absolutely wonderful. Adam Spencer is a person to look up to, and I very much hope to see him again! **Troy 6P**

Whole School News

2023 Enrolments

Do you have a child who turns five years of age before 31 July 2023 and will be ready to start school? We encourage all families with children starting school next year to contact the office as soon as possible to complete the enrolment paperwork. Please also spread the word to other local families interested in enrolling at our school that now is the time to work through this process.

Now is the time to complete an **Application for Enrolment** form. This can be done online at the following link:

<https://woollahra-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/about-our-school/enrolment.html>

Our 2023 Kindergarten orientation dates have been set. The flyer is included at the end of the newsletter and will be on our website shortly. We encourage new families or siblings who are commencing school in 2022 to put these dates in your diary.

Uniform Reminders

Woollahra is a proud uniform wearing school. A couple of reminders regarding our uniform:

- ***Please ensure your child is wearing Woollahra uniform items and not alternate jumpers and hats.***
- ***'Woollahra Wildcats' jumpers are not part of our school uniform and are not to be worn to school. These need to be saved for wearing on the weekend at sport.***
- ***Black shoes are an important part of our uniform every day unless your child is wearing sports uniform.***
- ***We have a 'no hat, no play' policy and require every child to wear a school hat when outside. This includes before and after school.***

We appreciate the support of all families in adhering to these uniform guidelines. As the weather starts to become colder, we are increasingly dealing with the challenge of tracking down jumpers and jackets when they are taken off at school. It is very frustrating when expensive clothing is lost or we are unable to return jackets to the owners as they do not have names on them. Let's work together as a whole school to do the following:

- ***Label every piece of your child's school uniform clearly with their name – especially hats and jackets.***
- ***Remind your child about the importance of putting their clothing in their bag if they take it off.***
- ***If your child comes home with an item of clothing which does not belong to them, please return it to school with a note so that it can be returned to its rightful owner.***

COVID Safe Update

Last month NSW Health announced changes to isolation rules for close contacts which mean that students and staff identified as close contacts and showing no symptoms can return to school with certain requirements. Close contacts attending school will need to adhere to the following:

- ***They must notify the school if they are intending to return under this provision.***
- ***They should conduct a daily rapid antigen test (RAT) and return a negative result each morning before attending school for 5 school days.***
- ***If in a secondary school setting they must wear a mask indoors except when eating or exercising. Primary school students are recommended to wear a mask indoors (except when eating or exercising).***
- ***No student or staff member identified as a close contact will be permitted to participate in overnight excursions, including school camps.***
- ***Any visitor to a school site who is a close contact is required to advise the school that they are a close contact before they come on site. These visitors should conduct a daily RAT and return a negative result before attending. They must also wear a mask indoors at all times.***

If your child is a household contact and you require Rapid Antigen Tests, please visit or contact our administration office as we still have a supply available to families.



Student Wellbeing Update

Positive Behaviour for Learning

This week we are looking at **how we operate in corridors and assemblies.**

Be Respectful	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Listen attentively with eyes on the speaker • Show encouragement and appreciation for others • Remove hats in the hall
Be Safe	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enter and exit the hall in a calm manner • Keep your hands and feet to yourself • Stay with your class when moving around the school
Be an Active Learner	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Listen to announcements • Participate and respond as required

We appreciate your support of PBL by going through these expectations with your children.

Edwina MacDonald – PBL Coordinator

Kindergarten and Stage 1 News

Bring in some spare clothes!

A reminder to all parents of children in Kindergarten and any of those in Years 1 & 2 who think their children might need it, to pack a spare pair of underwear and socks in your child's bag in case they have a toileting accident at school. The school is running very low on spare underwear and clothing to change children in the instance that this happens. It makes it so much easier if your child has spares in their bag. The school will also gratefully accept any donations of smaller sized second hand clothing (shorts, trousers, dresses) that can be lent to children for this purpose.

K-2 Athletics Carnival

Our K-2 athletics carnival will be held on Wednesday 1 June at Trumper Park after it was postponed last week due to rain. Parents will be welcome to join us. Keep your eye out for a note with the details very soon. We can't wait to see our budding athletes shine!

Performing Arts News

Choir Update

What a truly wonderful start we have had to the year with the formation of a dedicated and very enthusiastic Woollahra Super Choir! We've already built up a range of repertoire, had a couple of outstanding performances and had a lot of fun! We have a lot more planned as we continue including lots of new repertoire, a range of performances and some collaborations with other musical groups in the school. We are also exploring the option of some guest musicians coming into the school to work with our choristers. For some performances and repertoire, we will be working in smaller groups so that the music can be tailored for the age group. With such a large ensemble it's important that things are well organised and run smoothly. Please see below for some important information:

- Rehearsals are every Tuesday morning commencing at 8.15am in the hall. **Please arrive no later than 8.10am so that we are ready to start at 8.15am.** We ask that you are on time every week. It's hard to run a great rehearsal when children are arriving late throughout it. Your child is also missing important learning if they are late. It's also important that your child attends **EVERY** week unless of course they are absent from school. We have a couple of bigger performances coming up later in the year which will require lots of work to prepare for so your child must be at every rehearsal.
- Please make sure your child has a display folder to keep all of their music and lyrics in. We have handed out lots of music which is being misplaced because not every child has a folder. These folders need to be brought to every rehearsal.
- We have a Google Classroom where you can find the recordings of repertoire we will be learning for practice at home. We will also upload the lyrics here. To access the Google Classroom go through your student portal (as we did for home learning last year) and use the code **vbcp76a**. Please contact Mrs MacDonald, Miss Brandon or Mr Owens if you need assistance with this.

Thank you for your incredible support of choir and music in our school. We can't wait to invite you along to our next performance! We'll see everyone bright and early tomorrow morning.

Nicole and the Choir Teacher Dream Team


Parents & Citizens' Association News

Uniform Shop News

We are well stocked for winter uniform items for Term 2. Please consider our opening hours on Tuesday and Friday mornings between 8:30-9am (term time only) if you need to purchase uniforms for your child/children. In addition, we also stock PSSA shirts (\$35) and soccer socks (\$15) if your child has made it to the PSSA team. Online orders, for NEW uniforms only, can be sent to our email address below. You will receive a message when the order is ready to be picked up at the school office. We will endeavour to fill in your order within 72 hours. The Uniform Shop Team - woollahrauniform@gmail.com

The Uniform Shop hours are: Tuesdays and Fridays from 8:30am-9:00am.

WPS Uniform Shop



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8:30-9am**

For online orders, please email us at
WoollahraUniforms@gmail.com

For more information please visit:
<https://woollahra-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/p-c-uniform-shop/p-c-uniform-shop.html>

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

Vice Presidents –Mel Rose and Sheree Jonathan

Secretary - Lydia Santoso

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

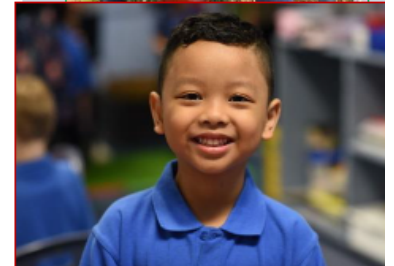
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Woollahra Public School

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.

Alliance Francaise	9292 5712	school-activities@afsydney.com.au
BJE – Hilit	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@eastsbl.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
Next Generation Tennis – Jed Gould	0411 775 945	jed@pjtennisacademy.com
Rock Band and Guitar Ricky Kradolfer	0407 534 944	ricky@rickysmusic tuition.com.au
Robokids – Melissa and Peter Clark	0403 043 011	melissaclark@robokids.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