Principal’s message

What an amazing term we’ve had at Wollombi Public School! There have been so many interesting activities that we have been involved with and learnt a lot from. We have visited neighbouring schools and joined in with environmental and sporting activities and hosted a science show conducted by The University of Newcastle. We also visited the Shortland Wetlands and had a great time dipnetting for creatures to put under the microscope. We participated in sporting events such as the swimming carnival and the cross country that was held at Cessnock Racecourse this week. Yesterday we had our Easter Fun Day where pre-schoolers, parents and the community joined us for singing, dancing and a wonderful Easter egg hunt. A big thanks goes to Deanne Baker and the P&G of our school for their work in making sure this day was fun for everyone involved.

Thanks to everyone for their support in participating in the ANZAC services on April 25th. We have students representing the school at both the dawn service at Wollombi and the day service and march at Cessnock. Please gather at Cessnock Performing Arts Centre between 10.45am and 11am in school groups with the march starting at 11.15am. Students are to wear school uniform and their school hat. Please also be prepared for rain as the service will go ahead whatever the weather.

School resumes for school staff on Monday 28th April with Trudy and I participating in professional development activities with other schools within the Cessnock Community of Great Public Schools (CCGPS) at Hope Estate. Please note that the school office and other buildings will be closed on this day. Students return on Tuesday 29th April.

If you are having a break over Easter I hope it is a relaxing and safe one for you and your family.

Enjoy the holidays – Michelle Murphie
What’s happening?

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Office news

School banking has commenced. As usual, banking day is Wednesday. Please bring your banking wallets in and leave them on Mrs Ryan’s desk.

Student activities

We had a blast making chocolate cups. All you need is some cooking chocolate melted down, greaseproof paper to put your edible creation onto and a water balloon that acts as the mould for the cup. After it was set we put ice-cream, strawberries, bananas, nuts and caramel sauce in it. Yummy!!!
Chaplain’s Chatter

WHAT’S ON?
A great idea that has been tried in a number of schools and was discussed about 2 months ago between Mrs Murphie and me has been the setting up of a coffee chat once a week. So here we go - next week we begin. Next Wednesday from 9am to 10am, and then every Wednesday in the school term, after the students have been dropped off at school, I will be in the meeting room in the office. It’s a wonderful opportunity for all the parents to meet together and have the opportunity to chat.

I’ll say “hello” to the students as they arrive and then make my way down to the meeting room.

Hope I’ll see you there!
When: 9am-10am  Wednesdays every week in the school term
Where: The meeting room in the school admin area
TEA AND COFFEE PROVIDED

And remember Kids Matter because ‘kids Matter.
Graham

P&C News

The next P&C meeting will be held on Thursday 8th May in the school library at 8:30am, with all welcome.

Community news

Opportunities for and emphasis on environmental programs
www.wollombi-p.schools.nsw.edu.au