**Message from the Principal.**

**Gosford Show Performance**
Our Pacific Island and Ukelele groups proudly represented Woy Woy South PS on the weekend, performing at the Gosford Show on both Saturday and Sunday to crowds of up to 150 people! They sang, danced and played both skilfully and enthusiastically, ably led by Michelle and Jason, Tina, Mr Barr and Mr Kendell. Thank you to the parents who transported their children to and from the Show on the weekends and to all involved in the preparations for this performance which "showcased" our school beautifully to the wider community.

**Mothers’ Day Stall**
Thursday will be a very exciting day at Woy Woy South when all children are invited to bring along their pocket money and purchase a gift for mum at the annual Mothers’ Day stall. Lovely gifts are available for under $10 and please send your child along with a plastic bag to carry home their special gift. Thank you to the P & C fundraising team, led by Karen, together with the volunteers manning the stall on the day, for making it possible for our students to enjoy their shopping. Children are taken to the stall in their classes with their class teacher on the day.

**P & C meeting**
At this Friday’s P & C meeting, Mrs Lappan will be presenting to parents our Focus on Reading (FoR) program and how this is implemented in the classrooms from Yr2 to Yr6. Please come along, join our P & C and find out what is happening around the school. This month’s meeting will be held at 9.15am Friday morning in the teachers’ staffroom.

**NAPLAN**
As mentioned last week, Yr3 and Yr5 students will be involved in the NAPLAN (National Literacy / Numeracy Assessments) next week on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday with Friday set aside for “catch up” of missed tests for individuals who were absent for a test. These tests give an indication of a child’s performance on a given day and are used, in conjunction with school based assessments, to give a clear picture of your child’s achievement. Language Conventions (includes spelling and punctuation) and Writing tests will be held on Tuesday 13 May, Reading on Wednesday and Numeracy on Thursday. It is also important for children to arrive “on time” on these days so they do not miss the instructions they need.

**Bike Safety**
It is very pleasing to see our pupils continuing to use the traffic lights on Ocean Beach Rd in a safe and sensible manner and demonstrating our school value of RESPONSIBILITY. Unfortunately, we still have a significant number of children not wearing helmets when riding their bikes to and from school. If you give your permission for your Yr 3 -6 child to ride their bike, please ensure they do not leave in the mornings without their helmet on. It is a legal requirement but, even more than that, it is another way we can keep our children as safe as possible. We have had a number of accidents over the years when children have fallen off bikes when riding to and from school and the wearing of a helmet has made a significant change to the overall injuries suffered. A graze is painful but readily treated but a head injury can be for life. Please help us keep your children safe. Thank you.

Mrs K. Whealey  
Relieving Principal.
**P & C NEWS.**

Mothers’ Day Stall – it’s this Thursday!!
The Mothers’ Day stall is this Thursday 8 May. The P&C has purchased a lovely range of gifts for you to purchase, priced from 50c to $8. To complement stock purchased, donations of clean unused items are appreciated. Your donations may be left with the lovely ladies at the front office or the lovely ladies at the canteen.

Mothers’ Day Raffle
Raffle books were sent home last week. Money and tickets to be returned this Thursday 8 May to make it into the draw on Friday 9 May.

Student School Banking
School Banking is this Friday 9 May. Hand your banking to the class teacher first thing Friday morning.

If you would like your child to participate in school banking, please visit your nearest Commonwealth Bank branch or its website www.commbank.com.au for guidance.

Meetings
The next P&C meeting is on 9 May at 9:00am in the staffroom. All welcome.

Can’t make it to the meetings but would like to raise an issue/ask a question? Just send it to us in writing – address to The Secretary WWS Public School P&C and drop it into the red P&C box located in the canteen. Remember to include your details so we may get in touch with you if need be.

PS: If you have children at home, bring them along and see how they go! Maybe bring a quiet toy or something they like to eat.

Uniform Shop
The uniform shop will open on Tuesdays and Fridays from 8:30 – 9:30am.

We have a limited supply of long sleeve polo shirts (sizes 4,12 &14) for sale at $5 each. This item will not be available as regular stock.

We also have a supply (limited sizes) of short sleeve white polo’s and red jackets embroidered with the old logo for sale - $3 for polo’s and $5 for jackets.

If anyone has unwanted coat hangers or plastic (shopping) bags at home we could use them here in the uniform shop.

Clarification – caps and hats are $10 each.

Please note; we do NOT have EFTPOS facilities. Payment options are cash or cheque. Layby is available.

**SPECIAL MEAL DEAL COMING**

SEE ATTACHED FLYER

- Tuesday 27 May – YRS 3 – 6
- Wednesday 28 May – YRS K – 2

NO OTHER HOT FOOD WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THESE DAYS.

Have a great week
Amanda and Jacqui – Canteen Ph. No. 4341 7798.

**FROM OUR STAFF**

STAGE 1 EXCURSION TO DAVISTOWN

As the dates for this excursion are quickly approaching, please be aware that permission notes, medical notes, and $12 cost need to be returned to school as soon as possible.

Year 2 Excursion – Numbers are finalised.

Year 1 Excursion – Wednesday 14 May. Permission note, medical note and $12 must be returned by Friday 9 May.

Thank you
S. Beaton (excursion co-ordinator).

The Girls Get a Hat-Trick

After two delays for washouts, the girl’s cricket team finally met Woy Woy to play the local derby at McEvoy Oval on Thursday 1 May. Gemma was acting captain, won the toss and elected to bowl. At the end of 25 overs Woy Woy had scored a credible 4 for 62. Ainsley and Gemma each took a wicket while Jaz took 2 wickets for 8 runs. Both Ainsley and Chloe took excellent catches. While Angel, Chloe, Breanna and Taylah all bowled well, the most improved bowler was Stevie whose line and length was consistently good.

After lunch Woy Woy South had a bat and 25 overs later the girls had scored 4 for 71 giving them their third win in a row. Jaz scored 6 and Ainsley scored a hard earned 4, being hit with a number of balls she showed great courage to complete her innings. Tamarra and Angel also contributed with the bat.

Carly worked hard in the field and Tasma did an outstanding job as ‘keeper again.

The standard of sportsmanship was extremely high throughout the match and on more than one occasion the shout of ‘Good shot Woy Woy,’ was heard from a number of the girls.

Stay tuned for the next instalment after round 4.

Keep up the good work girls!

Mr T Smith (Coach).

**LIBRARY NEWS:**

Changes to Timetable: The following classes have had changes made to their Library day – 2Y’s day is now Wednesday, and 2S’s day is now Thursday.

Please be reminded that children need Library bags to be able to borrow.

BOOK FAIR:
Next week the Library will host a Book Fair. There will be lots of bargains to be had. Kinder parents may want to come up to the Library and help their child pick a book as it can be a little daunting for them.

The Library will be open from 8.30 – 9.00 am Monday to Friday, during lunch times and for 15 minutes after school, except for Friday afternoon, as the books will be packed up ready for a Monday morning pick-up.

Mrs R Santos (Teacher-Librarian)
SPECIAL AWARDS FOR SPECIAL PEOPLE.
TERM 2 – WEEK 1

Year 6 – Riley, Katie, Charlie
Year 5 – Lachlan, Sam
Year 4 – Jeremiah, Robin
Year 3 – Laila, Jacinta
Year 2 – Jacinta, Madelyn, Linda
Year 1 – Lakota, Darcy, Emersyn, Maddie
Kindy – Kyle, Antoine, Bethany.

Superstar Awards.
Mason, Summer, Aaliyah, Riley, Jordan, Cooper, Carly, Ysobella, Paige

Bonza Bear – Brodie 2S
Assembly Behaviour Award – Sophie KH
Class of the Week – 1A

OC CLASS PLACEMENTS 2015
Opportunity Classes are for academically gifted and talented children in Years 5 & 6. These classes exist in schools throughout NSW. They provide intellectual stimulation and a rich educational environment.
Applications for Opportunity Class Placement Tests in 2014 for placement in Year 5 in 2015, are now available online (highly advised method) and in paper form.
If your child is in Year 4 this year and you believe that they would benefit from inclusion in such a setting, please visit the link below to complete the application.
If you have an further queries, please see Mr Barr.
Online applications must be submitted by Friday 16 May 2014.

PBL – POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING.
Our PBL Focus this Term is ‘Responsibility’
This week we are looking closely at caring for our school environment and how we as a school are responsible for our playgrounds and classrooms. Students will be encouraged to demonstrate responsibility by:
- Caring for our school environment
- Learning and allowing others to learn
- Having the correct equipment everyday
- Listen to and follow instructions
- Move safely and directly around the school
- Use the Hi-5
You may like to discuss with your child how they can be responsible at home.

2ND HAND CLOTHING NEEDED FOR OUR EMERGENCY CLOTHING POOL.
We are in desperate need of white polo shirts and girls summer tunics, for our Emergency stock. Our current stock is getting lower and lower as a lot of our stock has not been returned.
If you have any of the above that your children have grown out of, we would be very grateful for any donations.
Thank you
Your Friendly Office Ladies.

COMMUNITY NEWS.

MUSIC TUITION.
Piano – keyboard – theory of music – musicianship
Private lessons geared to suit individual. Formal or leisure – as desired.
Qualified, Experienced Teacher – With history of student accomplishments.
Anne Pregnell 0402 633741 - Blackwall.
Parents are invited to ‘sit in’ – bus stop at door.

Parenting Groups on the Central Coast.
Uniting Care Burnside have released a handout listing all parenting groups on the Central Coast. There are many opportunities for parents in need of support for their families. The courses are for families from birth to teens, and also cater for grandparents and single parent families. Many courses are free and if you would like a copy of the handout please contact front office during school hours.
Thank you. Mr S Collins (Rel. Deputy Principal.)

Coastwide Child and Family Services
Playgroups
Woy Woy South Public School
Mondays 1-2:30pm
Supported Playgroups provide a welcoming, friendly and relaxed environment for families, parents and children to meet and share ideas and experiences. Playgroups are facilitated by Early Childhood professionals and families can gain access to specialist support services.
What happens at a Supported Playgroup?
Supported Playgroup staff who are Early Childhood trained professionals with knowledge of child development, health and community services in the region. It is the role of the staff to coordinate, lead and provide appropriate activities for families, whilst providing support and resources to families. Parents remain during the entire playgroup session.
What does it cost to attend a Supported Playgroup?
There is no cost to attend but families are asked to bring a piece of fruit to share for morning tea. A gold coin donation is optional to help cover costs.
Last week in photos.....

Woy Woy South Girls PSSA cricket team scored a comfortable win over Woy Woy Public School and are through to the 4th round. Back row- Tayla H, Breanna S, Uma VEJ, Jaz G, Gemma C, Carly S, Ainsley S. Front- Tasma S, Tamarra M, Chloe McK, Stevie L, Angel S.

Lakota Adams 1/2K
K-2 Aussie of Month for April

Sammy Gray 5M
3-6 Aussie of Month for April

WWPS part of the
Brisbane Water Learning Community

Please visit our school to view our colourful displays in many areas of the school. K-6 work in the school foyer, also on the notice board near office and K-2 work of the week is display near reading room. Plus all our exciting classrooms have all students' work on the display. Please visit our school website for further information.