We are all looking forward to our Cultural Celebration Day next Tuesday. Another note will be sent home this week with the times of events. If you are able to cook a traditional dish for sharing during lunch time, please let Mrs Krauss know. Last year we had such a beautiful array of lovely dishes to taste.

Thankyou to the Lions Club of Woonona for once again sending us free tickets to their annual Magic Show. The children that were able to attend thoroughly enjoyed the show. I apologise for the rush to get notes and money in. I was given the extra tickets at the last minute. I received an email from the Secretary this morning. To quote: “The behaviour of the young people is a credit to both themselves and Gwynneville Public School”. Well done to all of our children.

Presentation Day is fast approaching. If your child is receiving a class award or special award at the Assembly, you will be notified shortly.

Professional Learning
Several staff members including myself have been involved in professional learning courses this Term. Yesterday Mrs Eshman, Mrs Devlin, myself and Mr Jennings travelled to Sydney for the “Kids Matter Program”.

The program focuses on student mental health and well-being. In light of the number of students who suffer from anxiety these days, we believe this needs to be a whole school focus. The program and professional learning will be ongoing.
APPLICATION FOR YEAR 7 SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL PLACEMENT IN 2017

Parents need to apply online at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/shsplacement.

Applications for entry in 2017 can be made online between October 13 and November 16, 2015.

All applicants are required to sit the Selective High School Placement Test to be held on Thursday, March 10, 2016.

Archibull Awards Ceremony

This Friday is the Archibull Awards Ceremony, Mrs Eshman, Mrs Devlin, Lara N, Yasmin B, Kristian S and Yasemin P will be attending and hoping to bring back some great news on how we have gone this year.

The last component that is being judged this week is The Peoples Choice Section.

If you logon to: https://art4agriculturechat.wordpress.com
Step One: Scroll down and click on Gwynneville Public School
Step Two: Scroll down to the last cow and click on vote
Step Three: You can vote as many times as you like

Go Gwynneville !!!!

Talent Show 2015

Final call for all performers for this year’s Talent Show. We need to have a list of performers by Friday so that we can start putting together this year’s show. If you haven’t already and would like to be a part of the Talent Show then please fill in the slip below and give it to either Mr Jennings or Mrs Devlin by This Friday.

Kitchen / Garden News

Last week we picked lots of strawberries from the garden which we used to make strawberry smoothies as a part of our cooking lesson. To go with our smoothies we also made some banana bread.

This was our first week back at cooking this term as we have been waiting for our seedlings to grow so that we could harvest them.

With last week’s storms and hail we had lots of damage to the garden and discussed how farmers are faced with changing weather patterns each year. This has also made us rethink our menu options over the next couple of weeks.

Congratulations to the following students

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Bus Pass

Changes to the Student Transport Scheme gives eligible students free or subsidised travel between home and school, on the approved bus, train or ferry services.

From Term one 2016, Transport NSW will be issuing School Opal cards to students eligible for travel under the School Students Transport Scheme.

Most parents, guardians and students won’t need to apply for a School Opal card as they have already been given a school student travel pass and will automatically receive a School Opal card.

However, parents, guardians and students will need to apply if the student:

- Is just starting school and has not had a bus pass before.
- Is in transition year (i.e. Year 2 to 3 or 6 to 7).
- Is changing schools, including going between primary and secondary school.
- Or if the student’s personal details have changed (e.g. address).

To apply online visit transportnsw.info/school-students and complete the application forms.

Need – a – Feed

Our last collection for need a feed was a huge success. We’ve decided to hold another collection that will run over the next two weeks.

So start donating tins and non perishables and let’s see which class will have the most donations this time around.

All donations are to be taken to your classroom where they will be tallied and then taken to Mrs Devlin.

‘That’s Mine’ Fundraising Labels

Name label fundraising forms for your child’s clothes, lunch boxes and other belongings were sent home in the last newsletter. Forty percent of every order received will be donated to Gwynneville Public School to purchase valuable resources for our students to use and enjoy.

All orders and money are due back to the school by Friday November 13th.

TALENT SHOW 2015

It is that time of year again when we start asking for performers for this year’s talent show. Both Mr Jennings and Mrs Devlin will be collecting nominations. If you could fill out the slip below and give it to either Mr Jennings or Mrs Devlin by Week 5, November 6.

Name: ________________________________ Class: __________________

Type of Performance: ________________________________

Music: ________________________________ (no longer than 3min)

Chinese Sister School—Parents Interested In Hosting Students or Teacher

I am interested in hosting a Chinese student: YES NO

I am interested in hosting a Chinese Teacher: YES NO

Parent/Caregiver name: ______________________________
**COMMUNITY NEWS**

**26th ANNUAL CITY OF WOLLONGONG BIKER TOY RUN**

Saturday 5 December 2015  
Lower Crown Street Mall, Wollongong  
10.30am-12.30pm

*FREE Face Painting  
*Motorbikes arrive at 11am  
*Jumping Castle  
*Bring a gift for the Giving Tree  
*Support local charities  
*Live Entertainment

Biker information only  
Departs 10.30 Sharp Opposite The Shellharbour Club  
Limited number of patches available $10 each  
Coordinated by the Leisure Coast Motorcycle Riders  
Bike contact: Steve– 0400377085 & Jeff– 0404490191  
Contact Wollongong City Council–42277111

**City of Wollongong Giving Tree 2015**

**MAKE A DIFFERENCE TO A CHILD’S CHRISTMAS!**

City of Wollongong Giving Tree supports two Wollongong agencies, St Vincent de Paul Society and Anglicare. The Giving Tree Appeal plays and essential part in helping the agencies to make Christmas a special day for all children. Unwrapped gifts or Gift Cards for all children 0-16 Years can be received until 18 December at:
- Council Customer Services area & libraries
- Corrimal Leagues Club
- Figtree Grove & Warrawong Plaza
- Customer Service Centre Desks
- iHub Visitors Information Centre
- ic Central (Bldg 230) Ground Floor Atrium, UOW Innovation Campus
- Novotel Northbeach
- Port Kembla Golf Club
- WAVE FM Warrawong
- Wests Illawarra
- Wollongong Central Customer Service Centre Desk (Level 1 Crown)

Alternately, cash donations can be made through Wollongong City Council

For Further Information ph: 42277111 or Email: events@wollongong.nsw.gov.au

**IIlwarra 2015 White Ribbon Day Walk**

**SAY NO TO VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN!**

25th November 2015

White Ribbon Day and the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women
7am—9am The walk starts at Andrew Lysaght Part (East of the WIN Entertainment Centre) and finishes at Stuart Park. Following the walk we’ll hear from DV survivor Shelly Walsh & Dr Michael Flood, an Internationally respected expert on violence prevention. More information and the walk registration form is at http://tinyurl.com/illawarraWRDwalk

You can also visit the walk’s Facebook page at http://tinyurl.com/illawarraWRDwalkFB

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**THE SUMMER SESSIONS BEGIN**

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