STUDENT BANKING
School Banking is up and running again on Wednesdays. Please have your child present their School Banking deposit book to the office on Wednesday mornings so they can be processed and returned to them before going home in the afternoon. An information package is attached outlining this year’s rewards program. To participate in the School Banking Program, students require a Youth Savings Account with the Commonwealth Bank. The quickest way to do this is to go into your local Commonwealth Bank to open an account. Existing Commonwealth Bank customers who use NetBank, can open an account online at commbank.com.au. If you have any questions, please contact the school office.

SWIMMING CARNIVAL RULES
For those students participating in the Small Schools carnival on Friday, the pool management has notified schools of the following rules regarding the use of their facility and have asked that participants be fully informed of these rules.

- Parents paying as spectators are not permitted to go swimming.
- Children are not permitted to be in the dive pool or toddler’s pool during the carnival.
- Management reserve the right to allow people from the public to use the dive pool for lap swimming while the carnival is running. Under no circumstances will we allow the diving boards or tower to be used.
- Abusive behaviour towards staff, management or public will not be tolerated at all.
- Finally all swimmers must leave the complex at the end of the carnival and must pay the difference to re-enter eg. Children must pay 50 cents to re-enter complex, parents choosing to swim $3.

THANK YOU TO THE P&C
Yesterday the P & C had their AGM which involved the election of the new committee for 2016. The details of this meeting are in the P & C Notice included in this Newsletter. We would like to welcome the new committee and look forward to working with you this year. We would especially like to thank the out going committee:
President - Annette Gill/Bella Trevillian
Vice President - Bella Trevillian
Secretary - Tanya Howard
Treasurer - Leanne Plowman,
Uniform coordinator - Kylie Pitt.
for their valuable contribution and support of our school. We hope all our families will join the P & C this year and have a voice in decisions made to support our school.

PANCAKE DAY FUNDRAISER FOR CAMP QUALITY
Thank you to Helen from the caravan park for making pancakes for the students and staff. Helen has asked to thank everyone for their donations. We raised $64 which will go directly to the Camp Quality event to be held in Wooli later in the year. I’m sure all the children will agree they were truly delicious. We couldn’t get the secret recipe from her though!!

NEW BUS FORMS REQUIRED FOR STUDENTS IN YEAR 3 THIS YEAR
It is a requirement from the Department of Transport that a new Subsidised Travel Application Forms be completed by all students in Year 3. A form is attached to this newsletter if this is applicable to your child. Please complete and return the form to the school as soon as possible.
SURFING LESSONS FOR YEARS 2-6

Students in Years 2–6 will be doing Surfing lessons this term. There will be 4 lessons over four weeks. Beginning on 23 February.

Below is a brief outline of the program. The Program is fully funded by the department of Sport and Rec. Students will be asked to contribute $10 towards transport costs.

Surfing Australia is pleased to be offering its Sporting Schools programme to schools across Australia. The Sporting Schools initiative is extremely exciting for all involved and we are keen to grow our sport and help children do more sport, more often.

Surfing Australia is also pleased to partner with the Australian Sports Commission (ASC) to deliver this $100 million Australian Government initiative.

As the National Sporting Organisation (NSO) for Surfing we offer schools and coaches quality programmes that encourage children to participate in this great sport. Weet-Bix SurfGroms is a national junior development programme for 5-12yr olds that encourages kids to get involved in surfing all around Australia. The programme consists of a series of surf lessons, encompassing 6 hours of coaching.

Whilst the younger surfers are still developing fundamental movements such as balance, agility and coordination; the older kids are far more developed both mentally and physically, requiring a different approach when learning new skills.

In order to successfully engage such a broad audience, Weet-Bix SurfGroms has been developed with two distinct age categories and five separate skill levels.

Age Categories
Weet-Bix SurfGroms incorporates the following two age categories:
MiniGroms (5-8 years old)
SuperGroms (9-12 years old)

Although both categories work towards the same skill levels and objectives, a different learning approach will be taken for MiniGroms and SuperGroms. A variety of activities, games and lessons are included in the programme that cater to both age groups, however, some learning materials differ between the two groups to suit the MiniGroms development and maturity.

LANGUAGE LEARNING & LITERACY (L3)

Language, Learning and Literacy (L3) is a research-based, cost effective Kindergarten classroom intervention, targeting text reading and writing.

Students participating in a writing task with their teacher. It has been designed to complement the daily Literacy program for students in their first years of school.

Students receive explicit instruction in reading and writing strategies in small groups of three to four selected students. Students then rotate to independent individual or group tasks. This occurs in the daily Literacy session. The program goal is to reduce the need for more intensive and resource demanding programs in future years, including Reading Recovery.

The L3 teacher program will be implemented in our K/1 classroom by Mrs Essex. This is a fantastic opportunity for our students and I would like to sincerely thank Rebecca for accepting this new challenge. Rebecca will attend intensive training with other L3 teachers from our community of small schools. Training will include workshops, demonstration lessons, supervised practice and in class support.
Lenny the Kangaroo and Dave the dragon packed up their bags to have the weekend with Hunter and Isaac.

The boys took pictures and videos of their adventures with their new friends over the weekend. This week the class were involved in discussing and writing about their adventures.

Tyler from Year One enjoying enhancing his abilities in Numeracy with the computer program Mathletics.

Petria enjoys exploring the Maths Resources in the K-1 classroom.

Ty, Ryan and Evie learn to count and write numbers to five.
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AGM and General Meeting February 9th 2016

The Wooli Public School P and C held their Annual General Meeting on Tuesday afternoon where current committee members stand down from all positions and a new committee is elected.

Thank you to all the parents who were able to attend and share some valuable input. Our new committee for 2016 is:

President: Mel Shanahan
Vice President: Gina Hart
Secretary: Tanya Howard
Treasurer: To be filled
Uniform officer: Nicole Gull

We would like to extend a warm welcome to all parents and citizens to come along to our monthly meetings and help to provide varied opinions and ideas to assist with the smooth running of our school. Our aim is to find the most productive ways to help all of our children have as many positive experiences and opportunities as possible.

We are yet to appoint a treasurer, so if this is a position that you think someone in your family may be interested in please contact me and I can explain the role further. We are all volunteers and are there to help each other out with our positions within the P and C. This is a very rewarding way to contribute to a very important part of our community.

We look forward to a new and exciting 2016 at Wooli Public School.

Mel Shanahan
Phone: 0412 370 772

REMINDER: We are still looking to fill the position of treasurer, please contact me if you know anyone who may be interested in this role.

FRIDAY LUNCHES

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Friday lunches starts next Friday 19/2/16 with Chicken Pesto Pasta. If you would like to order, please complete the attached order form and return it to school with payment by TUESDAY.

EMERGENCY CONTACT & PERMISSION FORMS

Thank you to those families who have returned the Emergency Contact, Permission to Publish and General Permission forms that were sent home last week. If you haven’t already returned your forms please do so as soon as possible so that our records can be updated and your child can participate in local excursions.

RELIEF CLEANER FOR SCHOOL

ISS, the company contracted to clean our school, is seeking a local cleaner who can be called on to relieve our current cleaner, Di Wilkie, when she is on holidays or sick leave. If you are interested, please contact the school and we will put you in contact with the supervisor in charge.

Check out our new school app. Its free!!