Thank you
Gary from Budgewoi Newsagency has made a very generous donation to our students. He purchased the remaining ANZAC folders and sample coins for $100 and then donated them to our students. Our students have really embraced the Gallipoli story and this will be a wonderful momento of the centenary. We really appreciate Gary's generosity.

Communication
Many updates are able to be communicated to parents via our Facebook page so search Budgewoi Public School and just like us for regular updates.
The school's website www.budgewoi-public.schools.nsw.edu.au is also mobile friendly so newsletters etc can be checked on the website. Send the office your email address if you would prefer to receive the school newsletter via email.

Safety Matters
1. Lockdown on Friday - a situation developed where it was necessary to call a lockdown for the safety of our school community. The incident did not involve parents and students. School Safety and Security were contacted and they coordinated police intervention until the situation was resolved. Unfortunately radio stations broadcast incorrect information which led to some dangerous behaviours by a small number of parents – rattling locked gates, threatening to jump over fences, patrolling up and down the fences and tying up phone lines so police could not get through. This was extremely disappointing. Lockdowns are precautionary and we were following advice from the police until the situation was resolved but the safety of everyone on the school site is our greatest priority and parents need to trust us that all measures are in place for the safety of the children.

2. There have been comments made at the office about dangerous parking and dropping off of children in Woolana Avenue. Cars are parking in the 'No Stopping' area restricting line of sight and creating a possible danger for younger students arriving and departing school and some drivers are parking carelessly over more than one space. Some students are entering and departing through our disabled driveway, into Woolana Ave, and the transport drivers have expressed concern about this. Please be aware of safety and show courtesy when parking at our school. Local area police patrols have been sighted this past week ensuring our students are safe.

School Photos
The photo day ran smoothly with students looking fabulous in their uniforms. If you were unable to get your payment in on the day, there are three ways you can still order your child's photo

School Contribution prizes
We have had more generous donations for our school contribution prizes. Thank you to Powdered Sugar www.powderedsugar.com.au (Natalie Sutherland) who has donated $100 voucher for a special occasion cake, Budgewoi Bakehouse who have donated 1 large mudcake value $28.50 and Budgewoi Video who have donated a voucher for 2 overnight movies, 2 cans of drink and a bag of popcorn. These are added to the dinner and night’s accommodation at the Beachcombe Hotel. We have more prizes coming so don’t miss out on the chance to win and pay your school contribution by the end of this term. Thanks to these businesses for their generous donations in supporting our school.

Coming events for Term 2 (updated as events arise)

Mon 4th  Yr 3-6 assembly 1.35 K-2 assembly 2.15pm
Thurs 7th  Mother’s day stall
Fri 8th  School cross country
Tues 12th  P&C 9.15am CEC
Wed 13th  NAPLAN Year 3 & 5
Thurs 14th  NAPLAN Year 3 & 5
Tues 19th  Pet care talk K-2
Thurs 21st  Netball gala day
Fri 22nd  Final date for payment Kinder excursion to NHS farm
Final date for payment Stage 2 colonial Show Wallarah Zone cross Country
Mon 25th  Yr 3-6 assembly 1.35 K-2 assembly 2.15pm
Tues 26th  Kinder excursion to NHS farm
Wed 27th  Canteen Special lunch
Thurs 28th  Stage 2 Colonial show
Mon 8th  QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY HOLIDAY
Tues 9th  P&C meeting 7pm Library * Correction
Thurs 11th  Sydney North Cross country
Mon 15th  Yr 3-6 assembly 1.35 K-2 assembly 2.15pm
Mon 22nd  NAIDOC Week
Thurs 25th  Semester 1 Reports Home
Fri 26th  Last day Term 2

Congratulations to our Privilege Badge winners
KC Jye, KD Jett, KE Amber-Rose, KL Matilda, 1K Charlie, 1M Haylee 1MC Sienna, 1O Josh, 2V Verity, 2M Seth, 2WB Star, S2A Taya, S2B Kye, S2C Harriet, S2ev Shayna S2J Taj, S2L Ruby, S3B Ella, S3C Madie S3GP Tahliah , S3L Telisha, S3SW Kahu, Unit 1 Jarod, Unit 2 Crystal, Unit 3 Reece and Unit 4 Taliyah

Best Attendance
Congratulations to KL & KC who had one absence last week. Well done!
Mrs Kerry Moore (Principal)

School News
Stage 2 – Colonial Show
This term, Stage 2 students are invited to participate in ‘The Colonial Show’, which is coming to our school on Thursday 28th May. The whole day event is a live, interactive school incursion which gives students an opportunity to interact with characters and experience life in Sydney Town in the early Colony of New South Wales. It is run by the actors from “Old Sydney Town”. The students are invited to dress up in ‘convict’ or ‘first settler’ clothing for the day. This is to enhance our learning of the Semester 1 HSIE Unit - Our Fleeting Past. The cost is $19.50 per student. We are looking forward to a fun and educational day! Stage 2 Teachers
2M news

2M have been working very hard on their writing this year. Here are some of our experiences from the recent storm. When it was very windy my trampoline flew over the fence. I was back at school and my mummy flipped it back over. It nearly flew into my next door neighbours pool! I thought my mummy would fly away in the wind.

Matilda A

I woke up and heard my mum calling the dog. I got up and saw a huge tree on our garage. My dad had built that garage all on his own. Our pool was all dirty and we weren't allowed in it. We had no power so we couldn't see, and that meant no reading! We had no power for 2 days. I had to sleep in the lounge room because a tree is near my bedroom. I saw a trampoline on someone's fence!

Mia H

The storm had lightning, rain and wind. One of the panels came off the fence. Two trees came crashing down and the powerlines came down because the wind was so strong.

Conna S

The big storm was terrible! My next door neighbour had a tree fall down because the wind was so strong. My email address is:

Angus A

Cross Country

The school Cross Country is on this Friday, 8th May. Please return your notes and the $1 for the shuttle bus by Thursday. Good luck to all runners.

NAPLAN 2015

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is an annual assessment for students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. NAPLAN tests the sorts of skills that are essential for every child to progress through school and life, such as reading, writing, spelling and numeracy. NAPLAN is made up of tests in the four areas (or ‘domains’) of: Reading, Writing, Language Conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Numeracy. NAPLAN testing will be held in Week 4 for all students in Year 3 and 5 during week 3. Testing dates are as follows:

Tuesday 12th May – Writing and Language Conventions

Wednesday 13th May – Reading

Thursday 14th May – Numeracy

Friday 15th May will be a catch up day for any student who missed a test due to sickness. A useful website to revise past papers is on the following web site; www.naplan.edu.au If you have any concerns, please see Mrs Rich prior to assessment dates.

Intention to apply: Year 5 entry to an opportunity class in 2016

Opportunity classes cater for highly achieving academically gifted students. This class at Wyong PS helps gifted and talented students to learn by grouping them with other gifted and talented students, teaching them in specialised ways and providing educational materials at the appropriate level.

Applications for opportunity class placement are considered mainly on the basis of the Opportunity Class Placement Test results and school assessment scores. The Opportunity Class Placement Test will be held on Wednesday 22 July 2015.

If you would like to have your child considered for Year 5 opportunity class entry in 2016, you need to do so soon. You will need to apply on the internet using a valid email address (not the student’s email address). Detailed instructions on how to apply online will be available from 27 April 2015 in a printed application information booklet and at www.schools.nsw.edu.au/ocplacement. The application website opens on 27 April 2015 and closes on 15 May 2015. No late applications will be accepted. There are no paper application forms. If you do not have internet access, you could apply at a public library. If you have a disability that prevents you from using a computer, you can contact the Unit for assistance after 27 April 2015. Please see Mrs Rich for more information.

Canteen News

Roster for week beginning: Tuesday 5th May.

Tues 5/5/15 - Michelle Burgess, Denise Wilson, Jana Williams

Wed 6/5/15 – Jenny Leatham, Denise Heather, Kirsty Johnston

Thurs 7/5/15 – Leah Wensley, Annie Vandertouw, Kellie Falconer

Fri 8/5/15 – Madeline & Dale Clenton, Megan Lewis

Mon 11/5/15 – Alana Paku, Alison Sutton

P & C News

P & C meeting Tuesday 12th May 9.15 am in CEC. Please come along and find out what’s happening at your school.

Mother’s Day stall is this Thursday 7th May. All items are between $1 and $8. We are also looking for volunteers to help us on the day, meet us in the hall at 9.05, after the bell.

Community News

Tennis

For- Fun, Fitness, Friendship. McDonalds Tennis Academy, Ray St, Toukley, 43 333380 or 43 965033. Free Junior Racquet For New Enrolments - $39.95 Value Tini – Tots Program – 5 - 9 Years, Tennis Australia ‘Hot Shots’ Program, Junior Squads: Junior Comps, Private + Semi Private Lessons, School Holiday Camps: Social Play.

Family Fun Day Children and families are invited to a free family fun day at YMCA Lake Haven Rec Centre on Saturday May 16th.