

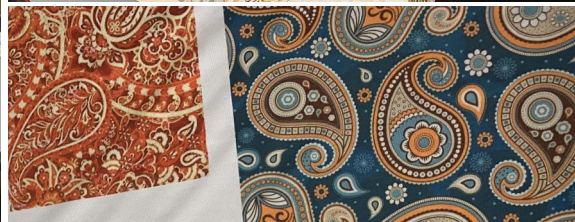
# Woolgoolga High School

## Newsletter

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### CUTTING EDGE MACHINERY



The TAS department at Woolgoolga High School has been incredibly fortunate to have cutting edge machinery for our students to access. The recent sublimation printer and heat press will enable our students to create their own swimwear fabric. There are endless uses for this machine such as printing neoprene for wetsuit tops, ipad covers, fabric for outdoor cushions, printing on polyester fabric to create fabric for uses such as corsets, dresses and bags. This machine can also print onto mugs, drink bottles, metal and ceramics.

A cricut machine which can cut up to 300 types of materials, from silk to balsa wood has also recently been acquired. Senior students will be using it to cut and emboss faux leather while juniors will be accessing and learning how to use this new technology to create and label various items such as t-shirts, key tags and bags just to name a few. Hospitality students will be able to create their own menus to industry standards. A fantastic opportunity for our students to have access to this technology which is commonly used only in metropolitan schools.

Mrs Fluechter

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## From the Principal's Desk

We are looking for new parents to join the P&C. The meetings are friendly but also informative and productive. Members have the opportunity to have input into decisions that are made in the school.

As we head towards the end of the year, there are a few activities that will look a bit different. We won't have all of Year 10 out on work experience, but some students will be able to if they are seeking employment or an apprenticeship/traineeship. We won't be able to hold activities week as we did last year but hope to get this happening again next year.

Our staff and families often have questions about COVID restrictions. The Department of Education has a page with advice for families that is regularly updated. This will include advice around restrictions for next year as that information becomes available. You can view this at:

[Advice for families \(nsw.gov.au\)](https://www.nsw.gov.au/advice-for-families)

Today we have been made aware that current Year 12 students will be permitted to attend the formal if they are unvaccinated.

As previously mentioned, our Year 6, 2022 orientation day will be held on Thursday 9 December. Our parent information session will be held at 6pm the same day, but we are not able to hold it on school grounds. We are, however, able to hold it off-site. Our venue will be the Woolgoolga Surf Club with the following restrictions in place – numbers limited (RSVP will be required) and attendees over 16 will need to show proof of vaccination. Information on how to register to attend will be sent to our partner primary schools.

Our Annual Presentation Assembly (APA) will again have a different format this year. We are required to have one year group at a time with the ceremonies to be conducted outdoors. We will set up the COLA for these special assemblies. Unfortunately, we are not permitted to have parents on-site attending these presentations, but we will work on a format for sharing with parents online.

The APA for each cohort will be:

Monday 13 December – Year 9 and Year 10

Tuesday 14 December – Year 7, Year 8 and Year 11

As you will see later in this edition, we had OneMob Radio streaming their breakfast show live from the school last Thursday. It really gave us a positive atmosphere and was a wonderful way to start the day. I look forward to having them here again.

Our junior reports will be available for parents through the parent portal towards the end of term. There is a link on our website with information on [how to access online reports](#). This is especially handy if you have misplaced a printed report. You can request a printed report by sending a note to the front office.

We are looking for new parents to join the P&C. The meetings are friendly but also informative and productive. Members have the opportunity to have input into decisions that are made in the school. Check out the Woopi High Canteen / P&C Facebook page.

Lu Nickell  
Relieving Principal

### ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT CENTRE

Thursday from 3:10 - 4:30, the Academic Achievement Centre will be running in the library.

Students will need to have arrangements in place to be picked up after the session.

For any additional questions, speak to Mr. van Schie in the HSIE staffroom.

Please note – masks will be required and we will need to work with the current distancing measures.

**COMING EVENTS**

Tue 9 Nov to Fri 3 Dec	HSC exams
Mon Nov 29 to Fri 3 Dec	Year 10 optional work experience
Mon 6 Dec	Year 12 Graduation Assembly Year 12 Formal
Thur 9 Dec	Year 6 Orientation Day and Parent Information Session
Mon 6 Dec to Fri 10 Dec	Year 10 work experience
Mon 13 Dec Tue 14 Dec	APA Years 9 & 10 APA—Years 7, 8 & 11
Tue 14 Dec	P&C meeting
Thurs 16 Dec	Students' last day term 4
Fri 17 Dec	Staff development day

**NOTICE****STUDENTS THAT LEAVE A NSW PUBLIC SCHOOL**

While a student is enrolled in a NSW Public School, they are allocated user credentials that provide them with access to email, student portal, Google G Suite, Microsoft Office 365 and Adobe Creative Cloud. They can access these services for free, both while at school and from home - *or anywhere else. BUT WHAT HAPPENS WHEN THEY LEAVE?*

Students need to be informed that from the date they leave a NSW Public School - i.e. *when the school has marked them as a Leaver in ERN* - they have 180 days before they lose access to:

- Their school email account (GMail)
- Their Google Drive contents
- Any Google Classrooms they were joined to
- Their Microsoft OneDrive contents
- Any Microsoft Teams they were a member of
- Their access to Adobe Creative Cloud

So from the time that they leave, they have 180 days to check all their content/files in these school-provided services and download anything that they need to keep. There is no need to delete what they do not wish to keep. Anything left in their cloud repositories after the 180 days will no longer be accessible to them.



The following is a list of items which are not permitted to be brought to Woolgoolga HS

- cigarette lighters
- knives of any kind
- tobacco or related products
- vapes/ e-cigarettes
- energy drinks
- water balloons/bombs
- alcohol
- glass containers/bottles
- chewing gum
- any weapons or ammunition eg sling shot



**The uniform shop is now open**

**on**

**Wednesdays 8.30am to 11.30am**

**Fridays 8.30am to 11.30am**

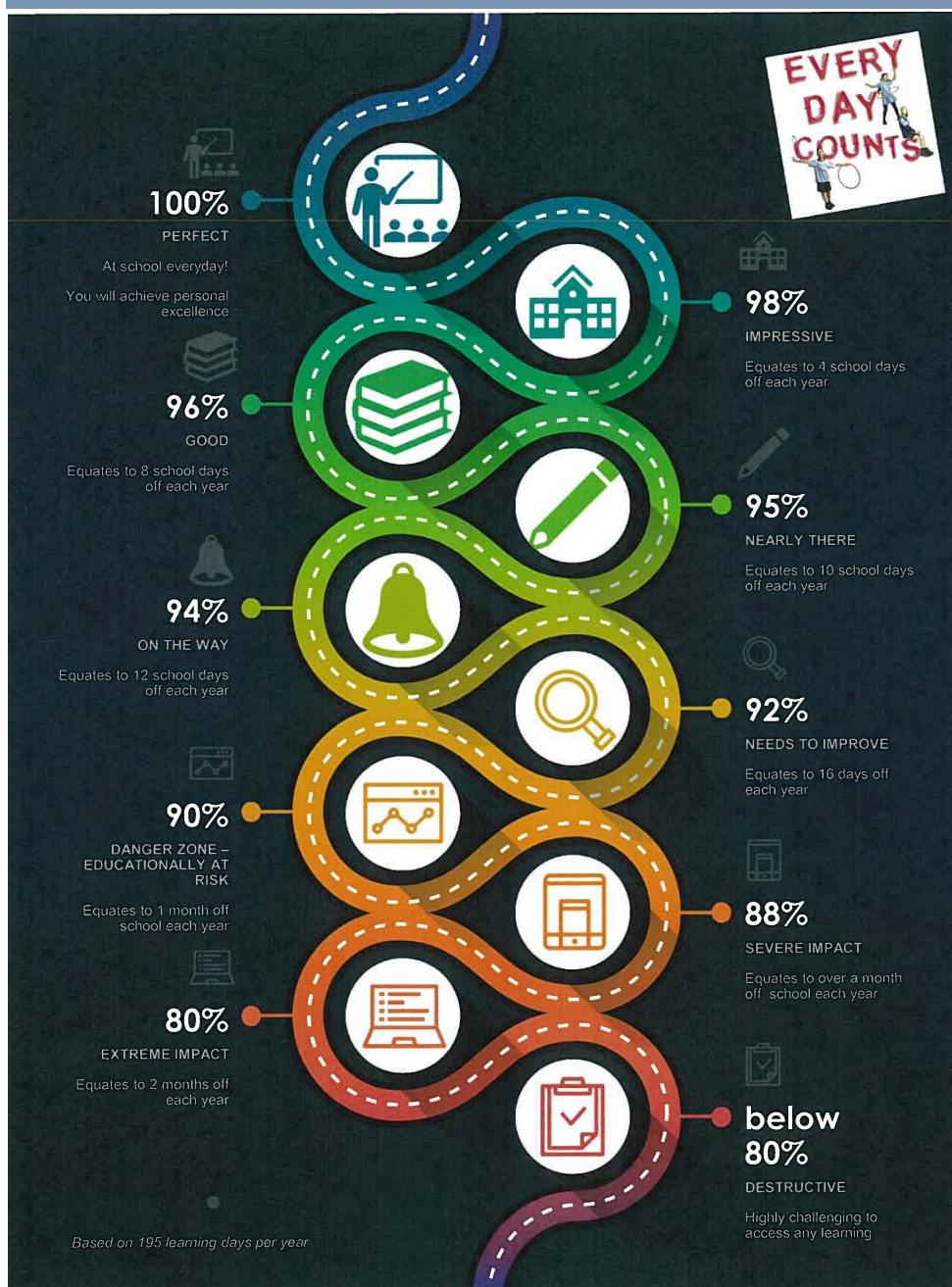
Other available options for placing orders:

Print an [order form](#) and return to the school canteen; or

Email [woolgoolga@daylightcorp.com](mailto:woolgoolga@daylightcorp.com) with the clothing item, size and credit card details included. The order will be processed the following day which students can collect from the canteen.



# ATTENDANCE MATTERS



Regular school attendance will mean that your child has a better chance in life. Your child will achieve better when they go to school all day, every school day!

**They learn better**  
**They make friends**  
**They are happier**  
**They have a brighter future**

You would have received your child's personalised attendance report last week. Either via your child if they were at school on Monday 15 November or in the mail later in the week.

This is a new initiative in line with our school plan. The purpose of this letter being sent to you is to include you in ensuring that your child attends school each and every day where possible. You will have noticed that there were also attendance strategies included regardless of what "group" your child fell into.

Planning forward to 2022, we aim to generate these letters twice per term.

Please ensure that you contact the school if it is essential that your child has a day off.

Ms Kath Bear

Relieving Deputy Principal

## ONEMOB RADIO



This was an amazing opportunity for our school to engage with the local community and be involved. OneMob is a local internet based Indigenous radio station founded by local Gumbaynggirr man Lachlan Skinner. While they were here they also recorded some of our Aboriginal students doing Gumbaynggirr language sessions for their language segment. Music from some great Aboriginal artists created a welcoming atmosphere as students arrived at school. They were very interested and approached to ask questions about OneMob and how to get involved. It was fantastic to see. OneMob are excited to return to our school in the future to do more broadcasts and programs with our students.



On Tuesday morning we were lucky enough to have OneMob radio broadcast live from our school.

### From the Department

Have your say. A short survey for parents and carers is now open to help the Department strengthen consent education.

For more information or to complete the survey read it on the school website [here](#)

### Change of Details

Please notify the Front Office as soon as possible if your living circumstances - or any other details - have changed. It is vital the school has up to date records of residential address, parents/carers names and emergency contacts should you need to be contacted in case of an emergency. Change of Details forms are available from the Front Office and located on the [school website](#).



## AG FARM



In April this year, the **Year 9** Agriculture class planted 25kg of garlic as part of their plant production unit. Throughout this unit they have studied horticultural practices which include analysing soil texture and pH, planting techniques and pest and disease management. Last week the students harvested it with the assistance of the **Year 10** Agriculture class and some of the **Year 8** Mandatory Technology students.

The yield appears to be bountiful, and it is currently hanging as it undergoes the drying process. While the garlic is drying the students are developing strategies to market the garlic as they investigate some of the business methods involved in the industry.



Students have developed many skills throughout this unit and look forward to bringing home some garlic to use in family meals.



# PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE



## Year 7

Tyler Arrow  
 Beau Banks  
 Brad Barbic  
 Kade Beencke  
 Sophie Berry  
 Belinda Bizjak  
 Aden Bonnici  
 Ella Borland  
 Byron Buchan  
 Zac Buckley  
 Jack Chivers  
 Khiarni Clark  
 Angie Connell  
 Payge Connell  
 Kiyah Costelloe  
 Jiang Crerar  
 Tyler Creswell  
 Ayla Denblyden  
 Macey Dodds  
 Natalie Edwards  
 Michael Forrest  
 Jason Ghuman  
 Kyama Hopwood  
 Mohammad Isfandyari  
 Sukhraj Kaur  
 Navjas Khattkar  
 Daisey Mazaraki  
 Jamilah Monkton  
 Sophie Nugent  
 Bally Saini  
 Sienna Standing  
 James Stratton

## Year 7 continued

Brock Stubbs  
 Bonnie Towers  
 Montana Walsh

## Year 8

Jack Beckman  
 Maggie Carr  
 Keziah Friend  
 Miranda Friend  
 Narah Hayes  
 Maddy Jackovich  
 Celeste Johnson  
 Amitoj Lalli  
 Tristen Risby  
 Fahley Rule  
 Jay Veness

## Year 9

Mehtab Kaur  
 Fatema Khawari  
 Charli Taylor  
 Bahara Yusufi  
 Kirshma Yusufi

## Year 10

Prakaash Arkan  
 Manveer Clair  
 Prabhjot Kaur  
 Liam Moore  
 Fjord Simpson  
 Jayden Sloggett  
 Ellie Watson

Congratulations to the 58 students who completed the 2021 Premier's Reading Challenge. Mr Cook and Mrs Hart hosted a celebratory breakfast for these students, in addition to acknowledging the wonderful work of the Peer Reading Program Tutors and Tutees.

Mrs Nickell was in attendance to congratulate all students for their effort and involvement in both programs, which support the literacy learning, engagement and wellbeing of students at the school.

Both programs will run in 2022 and we are enthusiastic about new students participating. Well done!



## CAREERS

### Kade Levingston scores SBAT



Kade said he is enjoying working on the building sites.

"A big part of it is the blokes around you that make it enjoyable, they are all willing to teach you something new, whether it's framing or whatever," Kade said.

Kade encouraged other students thinking about undertaking a School Based Apprenticeship or Traineeship to give it a go.

"Do it for sure, it gives you a head start," Kade said.

"If you are in two minds like me about finishing school, it gives you the opportunity to finish school and make some money."



Year 11 student Kade Levingston has commenced a School Based Apprenticeship (SBAT) with Woolgoolga building company M5 Building & Co. Kade undertook Year 10 work experience with the building company and volunteered to work with the business during the last school holidays. This initiative, combined with Kade's participation in the Educational Pathways Pilot Program (EPPP) at our school, including the popular EDGE Workshop and the EPPP Novaskill Construction Pre-Apprenticeship program at Grafton, have all contributed to Kade's success in landing the SBAT. Kade is now working one day a week with Luke McCluskey of M5 Building & Co labouring on various local building sites, and from 2022 will commence one day a week of TAFE studies combined with three days of school to complete his HSC. Any students interested in undertaking a School Based Apprenticeship or Traineeship can contact school Careers Advisor Craig Rutledge or EPPP Head Teacher Careers David Youman at the Careers Office in the school Library.

### Pre-traineeship Business Skills Course

Current Year 10 and 11 students have until Tuesday 30 November to register their interest to participate in a free Pre-traineeship Skills Course in Business (Customer Service) which will run in Term 1, 2022. The course will be great for students interested in pursuing a career in Business, Administration or Customer Service. The course is being offered for free by the Educational Pathways Pilot Program (EPPP) operating at our school and will be run at Woolgoolga by Novaskill. The course will run over 6 days during school hours from Mondays to Wednesdays over a two-week period, followed by one week of student work placement. Students will obtain Units of Competency in the following areas:

- Deliver and monitor a service to customers
- Process customer complaints
- Design and produce business documents
- Apply critical thinking skills in a team

Students can register their interest to participate in the upcoming course [here](#) or scan the QR code.





## The EDGE Webinar for students

A free The EDGE (Education, Department, Grooming, Employability Skills) Webinar is being offered to students on Wednesday 8 December. The EDGE Webinar will give students the EDGE when starting out in the workforce. This free webinar will provide you and your child with:

- Localised information on what industries employ young people in your area
- What local employers are looking for in job applicants
- How to communicate with employers
- How to present the best version of yourself for an interview

Our school has run The EDGE Workshops at school in 2021 and 2020 which saw students learn how to apply skincare products and look after their skin, and learn how to apply natural makeup, style their hair and how to dress appropriately for a job interview, as well as learning the importance of having a good social media account. The EDGE webinar is an abridged version of The EDGE Workshops. It is delivered through the Educational Pathways Pilot Program (EPPP) running at our school. Parents can register students for the free webinar [here](#), and select the North Coast NSW Webinar. Bottom of Form

## North Coast Webinar : Wednesday 8 December @ 6.45-7.15pm

### JOB VACANCIES

New jobs listed on <https://woolgoolgahighcareers.com/> this week:

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| • Apprentice Chef at The Box Factory Burgers, Woolgoolga                                          | • Digital Service Representative Traineeships at Service NSW, Coffs Harbour    |
| • Apprentice Chef and Front of House Trainee at Ground Earth, Woolgoolga                          | • Junior Business Administration Traineeship at Coffs Harbour                  |
| • Apprentice Bakers at Bakers Delight, Coffs Central and Toormina                                 | • Individual Support Traineeship at Coffs Harbour                              |
| • Landscaping Apprenticeship, Coffs Harbour                                                       | • Casual Sales Assistants at Sportsgirl, Park Beach Plaza (Christmas holidays) |
| • Wall and Floor Tiling Apprenticeship at Coffs Harbour                                           | • Casual Staff at Zarraffa's Coffee, Coffs Harbour North                       |
| • Apprentice Metal Roofer at O'Brien Plumbing, Coffs Harbour                                      | • Christmas Casual Staff at 4WD Supa Centre, Coffs Harbour                     |
| • Apprentice Spare Parts Interpreter at Brown and Hurley, Coffs Harbour                           | • Café Staff at Going Bananas Café, Big Banana Fun Park                        |
| • Pest Control Technician Traineeship at Complete Pest Control, Coffs Harbour                     | • Junior Front of House Staff Member at Exit 59, Moonee Beach                  |
| • Early Childhood Trainee at Toormina Community Preschool (2022) (Over 18 years)                  | • Wait Staff at SSS BBQ Barns Bar N' Grill, Coffs Harbour                      |
| • Trainee Educators (Early Childhood Education) at Coffs Harbour through Affinity Education Group | • Part time Team Member at Ally, Coffs Central                                 |
|                                                                                                   | • Casual Retail Salesperson at Tarocash, Coffs Harbour                         |

# YEAR 11 INTO YEAR 12 STUDY GROUPS & TIPS

## Ancient History

Structure study notes around the Syllabus Dot Points, break each dot point down into simple ideas that can be elaborated on individually. Update the notes regularly.

Add sources, for example:

Practice extended response questions - refer to NESA exam workbooks. Students can unpack top responses to past papers

Paragraph writing:

- Topic Sentence
- Explanation sentences
- Evidence from sources
- Analysis of sources
- Synthesis sentence
- Linking/Concluding sentence

## Modern History

Looking at sample essays/responses from the NESA exam workbooks - this is relevant to all subjects. These are top band samples that students can unpack to see what makes this a top response and what they could learn and use from it in their own responses.

**Core Study and Nuclear Age** - Remember these are a mix of long and short answer questions. How do you practice this? Past papers, past papers and more past papers!

**National and Conflict Studies** - Essays! Brush up on your essay writing by following some advice below:

### Language

Never EVER write in first person - this is the cardinal sin of modern essay writing. Markers hate this and you will lose marks if you use first person.

Also, always use formal language and avoid colloquialisms. Whilst most people know this, some colloquialisms are difficult to pick up on. For example, the word "things" as in "Hence, these things demonstrate that...." is an example of colloquial language.

### Arguments

Don't make your arguments emotional or personal. HSC markers will not respond to bleeding heart essays. They respond to logical analysis supported by fact and historiography.

The holy grail of essay writing is balancing clarity and simplicity with a sophisticated argument. An argument which has great depth and complexity is much easier to understand if you write it clearly and in a well organised and structured manner. You don't want the marker to have to read over your paragraphs a few times because your argument isn't clear.

### Practice

With essays, practice makes perfect. Writing practice essays can greatly help improve your essay writing skills.

Whilst it may seem obvious, having them marked is of vital importance, as the feedback is what helps you identify areas in need of improvement. Writing an essay and not having it marked is near useless

### Structure

Paragraph writing:

- Topic Sentence
- Explanation sentences
- Evidence from sources
- Analysis of sources
- Synthesis sentence
- Linking/Concluding sentence

## Information Processes and Technology

Check Google classrooms each lesson for worksheets, class notes, videos, images and web links. Do your pre reading from the textbook. Do the end of section and end of chapter questions ON PAPER, (DO your Homework.) not using a text processor (love the irony) that means writing the answers out as you will sit a 3 hr written exam for the HSC.. Hand your homework to the teacher to mark. Ask questions in class. Focus on the topic in class because you will learn more about the subject from your teacher than from Google. Read the Syllabus. Highlight parts you are unsure of after the topic is covered during class. Start a "main points" revision sheet. Talk to your parents about what you learned in class. Explain the topic to them. If you cannot explain the topic, you have not learned it.

## PHYSICS

- Complete Success One past exam questions
- Complete KISS notes
- Watch Atomi videos and complete the questions
- Complete Moodle quizzes
- Construct a summary for each module. Use a format that works for you. E.g. audio notes, posters, mind-maps or dot points



# Community Notices



**Rotary Club of Woolgoolga**

Plant and handicrafts stall to raise funds for Mullaway PS for a filtered cooled drinking fountain

When: Election day 4 December 2021

8.00am to 1.00pm

Where: Mullaway Primary School



**Northern Beaches Blues AFL**

Will be introducing an Under 17s team for the 2022 Season.

We are looking for players so if interested please contact the club on the contacts below.

**Senior Club U17seniors** contact Chris Nieuwerth 0419883298

[info@northernbeachesblues.com](mailto:info@northernbeachesblues.com)

**KOBBAS' CREATIVE SKATE GRANTS**

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**FILM** CAMERA, MEMORY CARD, BAG, SKATE CAMERA HANDLE

**ARTS** LAPTOP AND HEADPHONES PLUS SUPPLIES

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**KOBBAS' SKATE FEST '21**

COFFS HARBOUR

NEW DATES - DECEMBER 3rd & 4th 2021

**DAY** FRIDAY 3rd

PRACTICE

SATURDAY 4th

THE KOBBY MITCHELL CLASSIC (Street Comp)

**STREET**

**NIGHT** FRIDAY 3rd

BOWL-A-NANA Qualifiers

SATURDAY 4th

BOWL-A-NANA FINALS

**BOWL**

- 12 & UNDER  
- 16 & UNDER  
- LLOYD'S MASTERS (Over 40s - Bowl Only)  
- OPENS WOMEN  
- OPENS MEN

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[www.coffscoastskateboarding.com.au](http://www.coffscoastskateboarding.com.au)

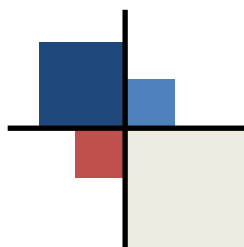
# Parent Online Payment (POP)

## Available At Woolgoolga High School

A secure Westpac banking facility has now been added to the Woolgoolga High School website to allow parents/carers to make online Visa or Mastercard credit or debit card payments for things like voluntary school contributions, excursions, sporting activities or sales to students.

To make a payment click on the link and go the "Make a Payment" tab: <http://www.woolgoolga-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/>

We hope you will find this payment option convenient. Payments can still be made at the Woolgoolga High School Office by cash, cheque or EFTPOS before school and during break 1.



## WOOPI HIGH CANTEN

### fresh food daily

Volunteering in the canteen is a great way to give back and the students always love seeing their family members helping out. We are flexible with days and hours as any help is always appreciated. Ring the school on 6654 1500 to speak to one of the canteen team.

To view the menu and price list click [here](#)