

# WAVELENGTH

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## From The Head of School...

Wavelength Term 3 week 6

We are now over the half-way point for this term and if the car park is any indication we are as busy as we have ever been. Last Friday's assembly from our Year 1 class was as enjoyable as any we have had this year. The message about looking after and conserving water was clearly conveyed and obviously well understood but what stood out for me was just how much fun the students were having on stage. Perhaps this can be attributed to how enjoyable their units of inquiry are and much fun they are having coming to school, or maybe it is because of the support they are getting from parents. Whichever way you look at it the outlook is very positive.

Year 6 followed up this morning with a very lively performance at assembly. The high degree of co-ordination, some quite creative choreography and the efforts to involve the audience augurs well for our end of year concert.

Getting back to the issues with car parking there is not much more we can do at this stage. We currently have 3 access points with the most congested being the western gate and while ever the majority of parents continue to use this as a preference delays will inevitably occur during peak periods. There are plans to have a right hand turn lane installed but this is not a priority for the government and neither they nor us on our own have the funding for it. Talks with the University about the possibility of us sharing the costs of doing this ourselves have been initiated but they have other wider priorities so nothing has eventuated. As a private school we are seen by most agencies as either not being in need of support, or disappointingly, "not adding to the capacity of the Solomon Islands". So unless things change we will all just need to be patient and exercise as much tolerance as we can muster.

Just yesterday there was a vehicle collision in the car park when a small 4WD reversed into another car. This is of serious concern because if you can't see another vehicle when reversing what chance does a small child have of being seen? Please exercise caution when bringing a vehicle onto the school premises and insist that children use paths and walkways. We will do our best to supervise but safety is a responsibility we must all share.

Have a great weekend!

## WOODFORD UPCOMING EVENTS

- Assembly; Wk. 7 Kindy
- Yr. 9-11 Social Night moved to 5<sup>th</sup> Sep
- Yr. 8 Camp Wk. 7
- Term 3 ends 13<sup>th</sup> September
- Term 4 starts 1<sup>st</sup> Oct

## Honiara ECE Games!!

Week 8

5<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup>

September

for

3-5 year olds.



## IGCSE<sub>1</sub>



## EXAMS







# PYP CORNER

## Year 5 PYP Exhibition 2013

This year, our Year 5 PYP exhibition comes under the trans disciplinary theme 'How the world works' and the central idea: **'Scientific and technological developments impact on people and the environment.'** This central idea certainly offers opportunities for the children to extend their critical thinking and develop conceptual understanding. Over the past weeks the students found out about their selected topics; ranging from different life issues relating to science and technology. In doing so, the students conducted office interviews and carried out research using both primary and secondary sources of information.



If you walk into any of the two Year 5 classrooms, you will see them working tirelessly in their classrooms with their teachers. At this stage, they are sorting out their information and trying to complete the written components of the exhibition.



*Land pollution group on excursion*



*A little guidance from the teacher*



*Group discussion and planning*

## IGCSE 1 Exam Week 7 (Monday 26 – 30<sup>th</sup> August)

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Week 7 is a very important week for the IGCSE 1 students. It will be their first experience of sitting formal exams and will provide valuable feedback to students, teachers and parents as to how the students are coping and progressing in this academically rigorous course. The students will be examined on the work covered to date in the various subject areas and the physical setting for the exams and expectations of the students will follow the ‘real exam’ period as much as possible. To this end it is essential that all IGCSE 1 students are in attendance and that they arrive at school punctually. There will be no provision for students to take post exams if they are absent and they will not be allowed extra time if they arrive late (just as will be the case during the actual exams). Note also that some exams will run later than the normal school day. Below please find a copy of their timetable for Exam Week. When the students are not in exams they will be in supervised study or on break (break times may not follow normal break times).

Parents please ensure that your child is getting enough sleep (balanced of course with enough study!) and that they have a good breakfast before heading off to school. Because the lunch break may be at a different time to normal it is important that all students bring their lunch with them or place their orders at the tuckshop first thing in the morning.

We wish them well in their exams!

Angela Hollis

Director of Curriculum

## IGCSE 1 TRIAL EXAMS WEEK 7

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
0750-0800	REGISTRATION/HOMEROOM				
0800 - 0810	IN EXAM ROOM (C1 & C2)				
0815-0830	ENGLISH P2 C1 - D C2 - B	MATHS P4 C1 - N C2 - M	ENGLISH P3 C1 - D C3 - B	PE P1 - C1 BUS ST2 P1 - C1 ENVMAN P2-C2 MUSIC P1 - C2	GEO P2 - C1 & BUS ST1 P2 - C2
0830-0845					
0845-0900					
0900-0915					
0915-0930					
0930-0945					
0945 - 1000					
1000-1015	BREAK	BREAK	BREAK	BREAK	BREAK
1015-1030					
1030-1045					
1045-1100					
1100-1115	1120 IN ROOMS	1120 IN ROOMS	1105 IN ROOMS	GEO P1 - C1 & BUS ST1 P1 - C2	ENV MAN P4 -C1 BUS ST2 P2 - C1
1115-1130					
1130-1145					
1145-1200					
1200-1215	MATHS P1 C1 - N C2 - M	CO SCI P6 C1 - 1 C2 - 2	CO SCI P3 C1 - 1 C2 - 2	GEO P1 - C1 & BUS ST1 P1 - C2	ENV MAN P4 -C1 BUS ST2 P2 - C1
1215-1230					
1230-1245					
1245-1300					
1300-1315	BREAK	BREAK	BREAK	BREAK	BREAK
1315-1330					
1330-1345					
1345-1400					
1400-1415	ENV MAN P1 C1	TNT P1 - C1 (2HRS)  IT P1 - C2 (1HR 15 M)	BREAK	CO SCI P1 C1 - 1 C2 - 2	NORMAL CLASSES
1415-1430					
1430-1445					
1445-1500					
1500- 1515					
1515-1530					
1530-1545					
1545-1600	IT P3 COM LAB	IT P3 COM LAB	IT P3 COM LAB	IT P3 COM LAB	IT P3 COM LAB
1600-1645					
1645-1630					

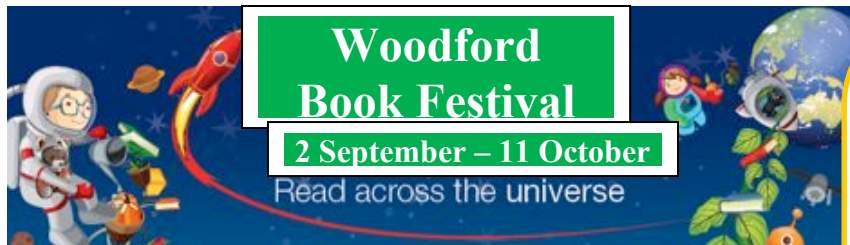


## 2013 PROJECT EARTH GLOBAL COMPETITION WINNERS!

Three of our Year 6 students entered the 2013 Project Earth World Environment Day Competition. This competition encouraged students to come up with solutions to some of the world's environmental issues. **Maia Ramsden, Litia Wickham** and **Leilahni Kirk** were awarded the top project from the Solomon Islands. Congratulations to them for their initiative and suggested strategies. If you are interested in finding out more about their project 'Greener Grass' go to

<http://www.projectearth.net/Project/Details/3427>





One of the areas the PTFA is focusing on this year is *books*. They will be purchasing books for guided reading and home reading for Pre-school up to Year 2. They will also get books for the classrooms and the library. To emphasise the importance of books, Woodford is organising a book festival from 2 September till the 11 October. The theme for the festival is: "Read across the universe". There will be lots happening during the book festival. Keep an eye on the Wavelength, parent contact books and the notice board in the breeze way for the events and activities. Here is a list of what will be happening during the book festival.

- Guest readers
- Book related activities in the classrooms
- Book related activities during lunch break
- Story time during lunch break
- Donate a book day
- Book exchange
- Book raffle
- Competitions
- Favourite book character parade



*'In English this week, 8A had the pleasure of having guest speaker Ben O'Reilly come and speak about his experiences in Afghanistan.'*

## Great news!

Teachers, always tired of having to wait in line to print your work? Parents, do you sometimes get tired of your children giving you their work to print at the office? I am here to tell you that the school has recently purchased 5 new printers which have been divided amongst certain classes. The printers are going to now fully satisfy the individual printing needs of students & teachers; you don't have to wait in long lines anymore or wait for your son's 15 page report to be printed at the office and there are certainly no more excuses for late assignments/homework. Now that we have the privilege of having 5 new printers in the school, we would like students to be advised that these printers are for school purposes only, any other personal printing can be done elsewhere.  
Grade 9 Student,  
Silipa Halofaki.

### **Year 10 fundraising**

**Year 10's are planning to head down to Nughu Resort for their camp in Week 6, Term 4 which means, there will be upcoming fundraising happening around school... Therefore, a PS3 competition will be held on Week 7- Saturday, 31<sup>st</sup> August from 10am - 1pm in Lab 2. Games will include- FIFA 2013, COD and other games...Also, Mantra Band a rock album featuring Mr Alex is available for sale at \$20 per copy. See Secondary School Principal for more details. Please help the year 10's with their fundraising.**

**Thank you  
Simran (Yr 10 Rep)**