



Woollooware High School

Winter Sport Choices 2024

Dear Parent/Caregiver,

This week all students in Years 7, 8, 9 and 10 will be required to choose a school sport for the Winter Sport season, running from 21 March (Week 8A) through to the end of August over a 20-week period.

Please look at the options **and discuss what option is most suitable for your student, based on location /cost /suitability.**

Students will NOT be permitted to change once their sport has been assigned. Students MUST select a second preference for sport in case they do not receive their first choice.

ABOUT THURSDAY SCHOOL SPORT

Students can select either a **Grade** sport or **Recreational** sport to attend on Thursdays.

Grade sport is an organised competition where Woollooware teams compete against other teams of *similar age & ability* from schools in the Port Hacking Zone to accrue points towards making the semi-final and grand final. These competitions are divided into Juniors (Yrs 7, 8 & 9) and Seniors (Yr 10).

Recreational Sports are more informal, where often an instructor or a teacher from WHS organise sport activities for the afternoon or students attend a venue.

Please note - some sports are more popular than others. In the event that too many students choose a particular sport, preference in most cases will be given to students that are currently playing summer sport for a school grade sport team.

CHOOSING A SPORT

Students will make their sport choices via the Edval website. Students will be emailed the link to Edval along with a unique code to enter their preferences for sport. Students can adjust their choice until the **closing date on Tuesday 5 March at 1pm.**

After the closing date, the sports organiser will allocate students to a sport and students will be informed of their choice, and it will appear on their school timetable in the week prior to Winter Sport commencing.

*Strive for
Excellence*

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RULES FOR THURSDAY SCHOOL SPORT

For your information, the following rules apply to Thursday Sport:

- All students must wear full WHS sport uniform and appropriate footwear.
- **Sport participation is a mandatory requirement of the Department of Education.** Students must attain a minimum number of hours of sport between Years 7 to 10.
- As such, parents/students should avoid making appointments of any kind during sport time. Any early leaver requests must be made by 3pm before sport day at the latest, in writing to the Deputy Principal. Early leavers for sport cannot be approved on a Thursday.
- Students may ride their bike to and from school on Thursday however **NO STUDENTS CAN RIDE THEIR BIKES TO & FROM SPORT**. Bikes stay at school during sport time.
- It is not possible for changes to be made to sport rolls after sports are allocated due to student numbers committed to grade sport teams against other schools and the venues of recreational sports.
- Students can make their own way home from sport (rather than returning to school) if parents grant 'Permission to be dismissed from the sport venue' via the Sentral Parent Portal, which will become available following the first week of winter sport, allowing teacher supervision to cease once sport has finished at the venue, no earlier than 2.15pm. Otherwise, students must return to school with their teacher to be dismissed at 2.30pm. If there are any problems accessing the Sentral Parent Portal, please contact the front office for assistance.
- No leave from venues will be permitted in the first week of winter sport. All students must return and be dismissed from school at 2.30pm without exception.
- While sport is compulsory, if a student is sick or injured, a note can be provided via the front office for the student to temporarily attend non-sport supervision. Students will be supervised by members of the school executive during sport and be dismissed after 2.30pm. **During this time students will work independently to complete school work/revision.** Please note that students cannot *choose* to attend non-sport – it is strictly for genuinely injured students.
- Students who misbehave at sport are subject to the regular school disciplinary policies and procedures. Consequences may include recess or lunch time reflections, attending a reflection in lieu of sport, or being withdrawn from their preferred sport group. Persistent misbehaviour may result in the involvement of Head Teachers, the Deputy Principal and a parental interview.

SPORT PAYMENTS

Please take note that most sports involve a cost - some require a weekly payment in cash, while most must be paid in full at the beginning of the season via the front office.

If students are required to catch a bus to their sport, **parents will be invoiced an upfront payment of \$170 (equivalent to \$10 per week)** for 17 weeks of return bus travel (most students remain at school the first 2 weeks and grand final week) via the front office.

Please note this is a change from the current procedure of students bringing cash each week to pay for bus travel.

Once invoiced, payment for sports will be due by 4 April 2024.

GRADE SPORT OPTIONS

Sport	Venue & other information	Weekly Cost	Travel
BOYS BASKETBALL	Sutherland Basketball Stadium	\$5 court hire	Bus – Invoiced at \$10 per week
NETBALL	Bellingara Courts, Miranda	Nil	Bus – Invoiced at \$10 per week
OZTAG - boys/girls	Various locations across Sutherland Shire	Nil	Bus – Invoiced at \$10 per week
SOCCKER - boys/girls (Snr girls only is 7-a-side)	Various locations across Shire. Must have shin pads to play.	Nil	Bus – Invoiced at \$10 per week

RECREATIONAL SPORT OPTIONS

Sport	Venue and other information	Weekly Cost	Travel
BEACH GAMES	Don Lucas Reserve. Alternating activities on/near the beach.	Nil	Walk with teacher
BOXING	Woolooware High School	\$5*	Remain at school
FITNESS FIRST GYM	Captain Cook Drive, Woolooware EXISTING FITNESS FIRST MEMBERS ONLY aged 14+.	MUST HAVE ACTIVE FITNESS FIRST MEMBERSHIP	Walk with teacher
FLIPOUT	FlipOut, Taren Point Yrs 7-9 ONLY. Parent/carer must complete online safety waiver prior to participating.	\$10	Walk with teacher
HORSE RIDING	Kurnell Stables. Bring riding equipment. Max 20 students.	\$20*	Bus – Invoiced at \$10 per week
SQUASH	DGen, Resolution Drive, Caringbah	\$5* (inc. equipment rental)	Walk with teacher
SURFING	Wanda/Elouera Beach Yr 9 & 10 ONLY. Must have SRC (Surf Rescue Certificate) and own surfboard.	Nil	Walk with teacher
TENNIS	Fenton St courts, Caringbah	\$10*	Walk with teacher
WALKING FITNESS	Woolooware and Cronulla suburbs	Nil	Walk with teacher
YOGA/PILATES	Woolooware High School. Students may change into tights.	\$5*	Remain at school

* Invoiced to student statement of account upfront for the full 20-week sport season. Payment due 4 April 2024.