Principal’s Report

River of Stories
On Saturday October 17, I attended the presentations of the River of Stories at the Albury Library Museum.
Our school winners were:
Dainah Stone and Charlie Kay for Years 7 and 8 poetry
Ashleigh Hall and Bonnie Burgess for Years 7 and 8 short stories
Tyler Evans for Years 9 and 10 short stories
Ashleigh Hall also won the overall prize for Years 7 and 8 short stories, which brought with it an additional prize of $500 for the college. This money will be spent on library resources.
I congratulate the winners and the teachers who assisted them with their entries.

Japanese Visitors
Last week our College hosted 14 Japanese students and their teachers from our sister school, Gamagorì District Middle Years Schools.
While they were here they stayed with our students, attended classes and visited some of the tourist attractions of the area including Beechworth and the Mansfield Zoo. They experienced a day of sporting activities at Wodonga Senior Secondary College learning how to play Aussie Rules. Thursday evening there was a farewell BBQ at Felltimber.
The visit also provided the opportunity for teachers and administrators to share our practices and experiences with colleagues from another system.
In a few weeks, a group from WMYC will make a reciprocal visit to Gamagorì schools.
Thank you to everyone who has contributed to both these visits.

Reports
Students received their GPA reports last Friday. Student Led Conferences (SLCs) will be held November 18 and bookings can be made online at www.schoolinterviews.com.au and entering the code 4NJJD. There are no formal classes on the day, but students and parents are expected to attend a conference with their A Team teacher. The conferences are designed to engage students more deeply in their learning by having them responsible for preparing a presentation of their work for the semester and explaining to their parents and A Team teacher what they have learnt and how. It is a great opportunity for students to cap of the year with a great positive experience and for parents to understand and appreciate the work their children have done at school.

Russell Polson
Principal

Debating

WMYC Debaters Are Go!
On Friday the 16th of October, seventeen Year 7 and 8 Felltimber students competed in the Border Regional Debating Competition which was held at the Huon campus. It was the first time that all of these junior students had competed in an inter-school debating event of this kind. The other schools competing were Xavier High School, St Paul’s College and Scot’s College.
Officials from The Debating Association of Victoria attended as well as Melbourne Law students who, as the adjudicators, judged and gave constructive feedback to the teams and their individual participants.
The topics under debate were: That we should ban the use of animals in sport; All secondary students should have to learn an Asian Language and That the price of water should be significantly increased.
Overall it was a successful day with the junior teams collectively winning 3 out of 6 debates. Congratulations to Aleisha Griffin who was awarded one of the best speakers of the event.
The Dynamic Debaters’ Junior team members were:
Year 7 - Zoe Freeman, Jasmine Butterworth, Matthew Talbot, Aleisha Griffin, Ebony Mafirci, Callum Hayes, Mikayla Shirreff
Year 8 - Riley Bartlett, Troy Armstrong, Nick Kanazir, Harry Hosie, Mony Darmony, Kalani Scott, Matthew Whitehead, Gabi Wild and Mitch Livingston.
An enormous thank you goes out to Tess Anderson and Ben Jones from the Huon campus for organising the event and coaching the Year 9 Eisteddfod debating winners. Also Annette Zukowski and Josh DeKruiff for coaching and co-ordinating the Felltimber team.
A Debaters Club at Felltimber will be newly formed in due course so if you like to ‘argue the point’ please come and see Annette Zukowski (Felltimber) and Tess Anderson (Huon).

Annette Zukowski
Debating, Felltimber

Dyson Bus Travellers

All Dyson bus travellers need to be aware of the following arrangements:

Melbourne Cup – Tuesday 3rd November 2015
All Victorian and NSW route and school services will be operating as per normal

Wodonga Gold Cup – Friday 27th November 2015
There will be NO VIC route or school services operating All NSW route and school services will be operating as per normal.
Our graduates will display confidence, be optimistic about their future and be committed to personal achievement and global citizenship.

Dates to Remember

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Kim O’Shea
ATL Assistant Team Leader

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Year 7

Huon News

Congratulations to the following Year 7 students who received school wide positive tokens for week 3. All students were rewarded with a prize from the prize box.

7A - Kasey Bramich and Sienna Murtagh
7B - Shelby Vincent and Brandon Barrat
7C - Subash Bhattacharai and David Mporsahima
7D - Alanna Kelly and Ryan O’Connell
7E - Hannah Moseley and Kyle Frauendfelder
7F - Maddison Hamilton and Jorja Sjogren

Coming Events

Week 4 - Planetarium Excursion to Felltimber and Immunisations
Week 5 - Uni Buddies Excursion to LaTrobe University Week 7 - Student lead conferences and Literacy class celebration (Willow Park)
Week 11 - Pool Day and Awards Ceremony

Hockey

Congratulations to the year 7 boys hockey team for defeating Beechworth 5-0 on Thursday. The boys are now off to State. Let’s train hard!

Athletics

Congratulations to Brodie Scammell and Emily Russell (Felltimber) for making it through to state athletics and congratulations to the girls for coming 3rd at the Hume finals for the u13 Relay team - Ebony, Brook and Cassie.

Joce Ziebell and Aaron Semmens
Year 7 Team Leaders Huon

Rethinking Drinking

The message from the actors and the student films was clear – think before you drink. A large audience filled the Felltimber PAC to support the variety show last week.

The show began with Year 7 student Brylee McKenzie accompanied on guitar by Tamsyn Beard who set the scene for year 7 students Stephanie von Laue, Angel Wood, Jocelyn Templeman, Abbey Copeland, Lana Conlan and Maddie McFarlane who performed a mime around the issues of alcohol use (their photo was in the Border Mail on October 20.)

Angus Sinclair and Ashley Lennane showed that men should not ‘dance’ around decisions and need to watch out for their mates. Compere Jacob Delemonex did an excellent job of tying the show together and entertaining the audience before performing as part of the choir. Jacob was followed by the State School dancers who carried on the show when the music stopped! Well done girls!

The issues regarding safe alcohol use were further discussed via a piece from Mikayla Shireff, Kayla Tonna and Brendan van Lambar. They were followed by soloists Tamryn Beard and Brooklynn Moodley.

For a complete change of pace Abbey Copeland performed a solo mime, then teamed with Chelsea Barton in a dance that got the audience really involved. Vocalists Brie McKenzie and Roxy Quinn changed the mood with a Disney style rendition of ‘The First Time Forever’ and the audience loved it.

Holly Kupa was next followed by Kylie Scholz’s dance class performing to ‘Hey Mummy’ then music teacher Keith Miles leading the student rock band.

Several teachers performed in groups including ‘Wrong Direction’ to great audience acclaim. Last of these was Tony Mason who performed a Polynesian dance – he was amazing!

Thanks to Leah Wainwright (backstage), Linda Elkington (school nurse), Kerrie O’Connell, Pete Glover and Lauren Schmutter (our music staff), Jye McBurnie (doorman) and Chloe Sargeant (Welcome to Country).

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Marg Leddin
Healthy Eating Panel

Beleza - Natural and Organic

Wodonga

94 High Street, Wodonga
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MON to FRI 9am — 5pm
SAT & SUN CLOSED