

Middle Years





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Principal's Report

Wodonga Government Schools have been working together over many years to continually improve education in Wodonga. As educators we support collaboration and partnerships, through opportunities to engage with each other in professional conversations. Last week we continued our work together meeting with our Primary and Senior Secondary College Colleagues. The focus of our work together is to improve student achievement, engagement and wellbeing. We do this by ensuring there is excellent teaching and learning, a positive climate for learning, professional leadership and community engagement in learning.

Congratulations to all our students who performed in the Eisteddfod last week.

Music results:1st place Felltimber Instrumental Ensemble in Instrumental Ensembles 16 years and under.

Huon Rock Band and Felltimber Rock band did not place but competed in a field of 10 in the Open Rock Band section against Senior Ensembles.

Zoe Freeman - 3 highly commended awards for her singing sections. Charlie Kay - 3 firsts in all her vocal sections and 2nd place in the Age aggregate

Sienna Murtagh - highly commended in her vocal sections. Further results next week.

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Acting WMYC Campus Principal •

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On the 20th of July the Year 8 Felltimber and Huon students went to Latrobe University Bundoora Campus. We did a LEAP (Learning



Experience Access Professions) lesson in Human Health. When we first got to the university we went straight through to a health class. In this class we learnt about all the different occupations that are involved with only one car crash.

The students had to dress up in real life uniforms and there were at least 40 students involved. We all had fun and enjoyed it. In the afternoon we split into two groups. In engineering we learnt about the people who invented things and pretty much every thing in the world is from engineers. A teacher from the university made remote control cars and you had to control them from the computer. The cars had cameras on them and you could see

where they were going from the computer. And there were jumps and bits to go over. We also learnt



about some of different famous engineers and what they made and were famous for. In design we talked about



redesigning Flinders Station. The teacher/ student showed us how they redesigned the Royal Childrens Hospital.

By Alissia McClure, Jayde Franckiewicz, Maddison Spear, Grace Gow, Zoe Elliott and Kaitlyn Castro, Felltimber Year 8

Nurse

E-Safety and our Young People

Last week I was fortunate to attend a presentation by Greg Gebhart from the E-Safety commission about Digital Citizenship and E-Safety. Some interesting facts were that

- Most children's digital footprint is commenced on the day they are born
- 10pm- 12midnight is the peak time for Aussie teens to be using the internet
- Most young people are very trusting and believe online information
- 50% of young people have taken a naked or semi naked photo of themselves and 1/4 of those photos have been seen by someone else
- There are many apps available for secret storage eg a calculator app that stores hidden content
- Exposure to inappropriate content is most likely to have occurred by 5 years of age

Some pretty frightening statistics, however the good news is the E-Safety commission which commenced about a year ago is a great website with up to date information and it also has powers to assist when there are problems. One of the roles of the commission is to remove any inappropriate/offensive/bullying content, contact the offender, warn them, contact parent/ guardians, and if there is not a satisfactory outcome the police will be contacted. Greg stated that they have had offensive material removed within 20 minutes and the longest it has taken is 6 hrs. He also said that in hundreds of cases they have only had one person reoffend. The website is www.esafety.gov.au

Keep those conversations happening with your child about online content and safety.

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Year 9

WSSC Information Pack

All Year 9 students should have received a package from WSSC that includes the following:

- Timeline for Year 9 into Year 10 Transition
- Information re: Online Course Selections
- Laptop requirements for WSSC

If you have not received a package, please contact the office.

Subject Expo Evening

A subject Expo will be held in the Trade Training Centre at WSSC on Wednesday August 10 from 6pm. This event allows students and their parents the opportunity to speak with teachers and to learn more about the courses available at WSSC.

Vietnamese Visit

Our college was very fortunate to host sixteen students from Vietnam over the last two weeks. The students participated in the college's programs across several subjects and enjoyed themselves immensely. The Vietnamese students performed in front of our



Year 8 students with a variety of performances as a thankyou for our warm hospitality and friendship.









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BATTERY-OPERATED APPLIANCES CLOTHING/TEXTILES

BICYCLES SMALL GARDEN TOOLS

First Saturday of the month, 10.00am to 1.00pm Sustainable Activity Centre

Gateway Island, Wodonga, next to La Maison Cafe

For more information visit our Facebook page or ecoportal.net.au



WODONGA

WE HAVE NEW TRADING HOURS

MONDAY TUESDAY WEDNESDAY THURSDAY FRIDAY SATURDAY 9.30am to 4.30pm 9.30am to 4.30pm 9.30am to 4.30pm 9.30am to 4.30pm CLOSEN

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15% OFF* STOREWIDE SALE ONE WEEK
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1st to 4th
AUGUST 2016

NO FURTHER DISCOUNTS APPLY. NO LAYBY. SALE EXCLUDES SALE ITEMS No exchange or refund will be given if you simply change your mind

Dates to Remember

Dates for 2016	Activity
Aug 10	► Subject Expo Evening at WSSC

Fathers Day Bacon & Egg Roll Breaky

You're invited to a Breakfast for Fathers Day.

It's FREE!!!

8-9am Friday 2nd September

Get your reply slip to the front office ASAP

Huon – Rose Garden

Felltimber - Fruit Fly Courtyard

(Wet weather venue announced on day if raining)

LUCKY DOOR PRIZES //COFFEE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

Reply Slip for catering return by Tuesday 30th Aug

Student name:

Yes I will be bringing: _____

Please circle: Huon Felltimber/FFFCS