



Newsletter No 5

Term 1

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Principal's Report

Student Orientation Interviews Communication

It was great to see so many parents last week at the Student Orientation Interviews at both Huon and Felltimber Campuses. I thank the many parents who attended to discuss with A-Team teachers their children's learning needs. I encourage parents who were not able to make it to the interviews to have a conversation with their child's A-Team teacher about what we can do as partners to improve the educational opportunities for your child.

Please contact your child's A-Team teacher if you feel like you are not receiving enough information. Sometimes when your child enters secondary education it is difficult to understand how information from school gets home! Some forms of communication we use are, our web page, Facebook (Wodonga Middle Years College), our weekly newsletter each Monday, emails to parents and the parent portal (please talk to your child's A-Team teacher if you have not logged on yet).

Swimming Sports

On Tuesday 21st, WMYC held the annual Swimming Carnival at Waves in Wodonga. It was a very successful carnival with a number of records being broken. It was pleasing to see so many students embrace the day and dress up in their house colours. As well as the swimming there were many other activities on the day both in and out of the pool.

We thank sports coordinators Jordan Wakeling and Hollie Radomski for their coordination of the sports and all staff, students and parents who participated to make the day such a success.

Maree Cribbes
Acting Campus Principal

Wellbeing

Referrals

The Wellbeing Team are now taking self-referrals from students who are struggling with mental health issues, suicidal thoughts, not feeling safe at home, self-harm behaviours, sexuality and sexual identity issues and who might need a referral to a local service. If you are a student, who has already spoken to your A-Team Teacher or House Leader but still need to see Wellbeing, please fill out a form, and place it in the locked mailbox. This is found on the wall in the internal corridor outside each Wellbeing office.

Cassie Diano and Cassie Sandow
Wellbeing



Information Evening for Prospective 2018 Year 7 Students and Parents

*Wednesday 22th March,
6 – 7pm: 2017
Performing Arts Centre
Felltimber Campus*

*Tours available at both Huon
and Felltimber campuses
From 4.00 – 5.30pm*

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Sport

Swimming Carnival

What a great day! It was wonderful to see students attend wearing their house colours and supporting each other.

Well done to Lachlan Payne who set the following records in the 14 year old age group.
 50 m backstroke – 42.50 old record A Emerson Webber from 1997 – Lachlan's new record 34.85
 50 m butterfly – 31.80 old record Luke Benson from 2001 – Lachlan's new record 31.64
 50 m Freestyle – 31.80 old record Timothy Price from 2000 – Lachlan's new record 29.41
 The winning house and age group champions will be announced at today's assemblies.



Outdoor Education

Canoeing

Last week, students in Ms Widdup's and Mr Wakeling's Year 9 Outdoor Education classes went to Gateway Lakes canoeing. They had to learn a couple of techniques that will help when they are out on their next paddle.



When the kids lined up, it is called 'Rafting Up', where they hold onto the raft next to them to keep the group stable and to ensure everyone had the ability to get into the right positions and facing the right way (this is difficult as a number of strokes are needed such as forward, backward, sweeping and turning). A major component of this activity was to enable them to use their communication skills and team work skills when they were asked 'raft up' and also when asked to swap kayaks with another person in the line.



The main objective of standing up and paddling was to test their core strength and balance when put in the situation of having to swap or stand up in their kayaks.

By building up these skills the trip next week becomes easier and also enables the class to be more confident when put in the situation again.

Maths Mate Homework Books

Maths Mates are available until Friday March 9 from the front office for \$13 each. Our stocks of some levels are limited.

After this date Maths Mate Homework books will only be available from www.mathsmate.com

Art, Technology, Language

Ceramics

In Year 8 Ceramics students have had their first try using the pottery wheels, allowing students to develop new skills. The class have also been working on some team building projects and starting a new topic of Coil building.



Nishar Neale
Art

Huon Robotic Crew

The 'crew' are Year 9 students in Mr Rogers class who will be manning the sausage sizzle stand at Bunnings, Wodonga store this Saturday March 4. They are raising money that will go towards costs associated with competing and the purchase of equipment.

The students are currently working on a top-secret project that may or may not have something to do with tomato sauce.

If you are out and about on Saturday, come and see us at Bunnings Wodonga.

BUNNINGS
SAUSAGE SIZZLE
Saturday
March 4th
9am – 5pm
Anzac Parade
Wodonga

Huon Robotics Crew

WODONGA

TRADING HOURS

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

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Dates to Remember

Dates for 2017	Activity
Mar 13	► Labour Day Holiday
Mar 22	► Information Evening - 2018 Year 7
Mar 24	► Athletics Carnival
Mar 31	► Last Day Term 1