



WODONGA  
MIDDLE YEARS COLLEGE

# Middle Years

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Term 1

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## Principal's Report

### Day of Action against Bullying and Violence

On Thursday and Friday we sent a very clear message to the whole school community that we in no way accept bullying and violence. This is a message we send everyday at Wodonga Middle Years College but was showcased in performances at each Campus. You will read more about this later in the newsletter. Thank you especially to Kim O'Shea, Melanie McClure, Julie Taylor and the Arts Technology and Languages team who coordinated this event.



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### School Council Representatives

All government schools in Victoria have a school council. They are legally constituted bodies that are given powers to set the key directions of a school within statewide guidelines. In doing this, a school council is able to directly influence the quality of education that the school provides for its students.

Who is on the school council?

Parent membership on the school council is vitally important as the parents provide important viewpoints and have valuable skills that can help shape the direction of the school.

These parents become active in the operation of the school and find their involvement satisfying in itself.

We thank the 2017 School Council and look forward to our first meeting on Monday 27th March.

Sharyn Ryan Community

Christine Burnett Parent

Paul Thorpe Parent

Elanie Massey Parent

Kelly Gow Parent

Jocelyn Ziebell - DET

Karen Hooper DET Representative

John Williams Parent

We also thank our outgoing School Council members who have provided an invaluable contribution to the school council.

Carolyn Tait Community

Robert Spurr Parent

### C.A.R.E.

At Wodonga Middle Years College, we care for each student. This year we have started sending text messages to parents when students are absent from class and the school has not been notified by a parent. This is a way of ensuring that each student is accounted for and parents are aware when students are absent from class. We thank families for their patience while

we fine tune this process and welcome any feedback.

We expect positive behaviours from our students at Wodonga Middle Years College and we explicitly teach these values through our CARE program. C stands for Care for relationships. A stands for Achievement through Aspiration. R stands for Respect and E stands for Engagement

The CARE program assists us to teach students expected social behaviours. Research has found this is the most effective response for preventing school-based behaviour problems, including school violence and bullying. Teaching and supporting social behavioural skills to students creates student behavioural health and also contributes to academic support systems.

Ask your child if they have received a C.A.R.E. reward this week, some students have also received C.A.R.E. postcards home.

*Maree Cribbes*

Acting Campus Principal

## Defence

### Social Get Together

On Friday evening the Rose Garden at the Huon campus came alight as the school's pizza oven was put to good use by WMYC Defence families from both campuses. Mr Harris was assisted by Mr Mason and Mr Webb to cook approximately 60 pizza masterpieces created by the families and staff who attended. By the end of the evening the toppings



may have been running out but there was no shortage on the fun being had at the first Defence Families Social evening.



*Holly Rodway*

Defence Mentor

## Sport

### Year 8 Girls Super 8's Cricket

On Wednesday 8th March, 8 talented cricketers made their way to Wangaratta. The girls competed in the Year 8 girls Super 8's competition. Our team consisted of six Year 8's and two Year 7 girls: Paige Hunt, Indhi Willding, Ruby Sparks, Kaylea Kobzan, Millie Dixon, Rachel Warren, Maddisyn Sloan and Ezara Clifford.



We began the day competing against Wangaratta and the girls

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fielded first. They did a fantastic job and got 4 wickets. In the end we won by 12 runs. The next game we won 91-53, with another fantastic job in the field. Our last game was a tight one and if we won we would progress to the finals. Again our fielding stood out and we went on to win by 11 runs to progress to the final against Galen. We fielded first and took 5 wickets. The girls were very cautious with their batting, ensuring that they didn't lose wickets. The score in the end was Galen 5/54 and Huon 1/55, the girls won by 4 wickets and will go to the next level later in the year, well done ladies. Every girl on the team took a wicket on the day and should be very proud of their efforts both in the field and whilst batting. Bring on the next competition.

**Lauren Fouracre**  
Coach

## Day of Action

Last Thursday and Friday students and staff participated in the Day of Action "Bullying No Way" campaign. Events were held at Felltimber and at the Cube with student leaders compering each show. Students performed poetry, short drama pieces and songs; guest speakers from Headspace and Wodonga Police addressed the students; a film made by the students was shown and teachers showed placards with slogans about them being bullied when they were at school. Staff from Felltimber also performed a flash mob dance. See the photos on facebook.

Thanks to everyone who helped with the day, especially Kim O'Shea for her organisation.

### Maths Mate Homework Books

The Maths Mate homework books have now been returned to the supplier. They may be purchased online at [www.mathsmate.net](http://www.mathsmate.net)

### Student Safety and Vehicle Access

Parents/carers are reminded that the College car parks are for **authorised vehicles only** and they should not be used to drop off or pick up students.

At Felltimber the Emerald Avenue pedestrian gates are open for parents to access the front office.

Huon is accessible from Mitchell Street.

Thank you for your cooperation.

**NOW ACCEPTING NOMINATIONS FOR ALL SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMS IN 2017!**

**RICHMOND EMERGING ABORIGINAL LEADERSHIP (REAL) PROGRAM**

*"The KGI has changed my life. It has given me the most amazing role models and given me purpose back in my life". - KGI PARTICIPANT*

**The Korin Gamadji Institute**  
"Grow and Emerge"

The Korin Gamadji Institute (KGI) is a unique and innovative Indigenous space focused on leadership development, cultural affirmation and career pathways. The KGI is an integral part of the Richmond Football Club, and is located at Punt Road Oval, Richmond. KGI programs are delivered in partnership with the Victorian Electoral Commission and Culture is Life.

The Korin Gamadji Institute's Richmond Emerging Aboriginal Leadership (REAL) Program engages Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander young people aged from 14-17 years of age. These programs are run over four days during the school holidays.

Visit [richmondfc.com.au/realprogram](http://richmondfc.com.au/realprogram) to nominate.  
Nominations close one month before each program begins.

Please visit the KGI website for further information including program dates and nomination forms  
[kgi.org.au](http://kgi.org.au)

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## WODONGA

**TRADING HOURS**

<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>9.30am to 4.30pm</b>
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>9.30am to 4.30pm</b>
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>9.30am to 4.30pm</b>
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>9.30am to 4.30pm</b>
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>CLOSED</b>
<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>CLOSED</b>

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### Dates to Remember

Dates for 2017	Activity
Mar 22	► Information Evening - 2018 Year 7
Mar 24	► Athletics Carnival
Mar 27	► Reports Issued
Mar 31	► Last Day Term 1
April 19	► First Day for Students - Term 2

**HOLIDAY CLINICS**

**WODONGA SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM**  
MONDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> APRIL  
WILLOW PARK, WODONGA

**WODONGA HOLIDAY CLINIC 2017**

The PlayNRL Holiday Clinic is a day program for kids aged 5-16 of any gender that focuses on fun, fitness and participation.

Costs \$40 per child which includes NRL Holiday Pack.

To register go to - [playnrl.com/programs/](http://playnrl.com/programs/)

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Registration from 10am.  
Clinic Commences at 10:20am and Finish's at 1:00pm.

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