

WODONGA MIDDLE YEARS COLLEGE

Middle Years

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Term 2

April 24, 2017

Principal's Report

Welcome Back

Welcome back to Term 2. There are several activities this term including: Student Led Conferences, ANZAC Day, Education Week, Multicultural Week, NAPLAN, AAP and Literacy information evenings and many sports.

Victorian Student Leadership Conference

The Victorian SRC leadership conference will be held in Benalla Thursday 27 April. Our school captains and vice captains will be attending with student mentor Marg Benbow. This is a great opportunity for our students to meet with other school student leaders and discuss and develop leadership skills and the impact of student voice.

Student Led Conferences

SLC's will be held Monday, May 22 from 3.30pm - 7.00pm. Bookings can be made at https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au and entering the event code: sar9q. If you are unable to book support group provide funds to build online, please call the College offices on 02 6057 9000.

ANZAC Day Ceremonies

Ceremonies to mark ANZAC Day, will be led by student leaders at Huon and Felltimber campuses today, Monday April 24, 2017. Huon – Monday April 24th at 10:30am

Felltimber - Monday April 24th at 12:00

Guest speaker is Major David Bonnor

Parents and families are invited to attend.

School Photos

Student photos have now been received and distributed to students. If there are any queries regarding the photos, please call MSP Photography on 03 5482 3190. Lost ID cards incur a charge of \$10 for replacement.

Absence Hotline

The College has a dedicated phone number for student absences - 02 6057 9051. If your child is absent, please phone the absence hotline stating the name of the child, reason and date of the absence.

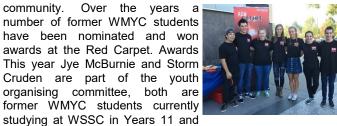
> Gary Hodge **Assistant Principal**

Student Leadership

Red Carpet Awards Launch

On Thursday 20th April the launch of the 2017 Red Carpet Youth Awards was held at the CUBE Courtyard. The categories and criteria were presented by the Youth Committee who will host this year's award at the Gala dinner on Friday July 28th. This event provides a fantastic showcase of youth in Wodonga and the many areas in which they contribute, excel and enrich their

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12. We congratulate them on continuing their Leadership roles and being part of the wider Wodonga community.

Guest Speaker

community.

Huon Leadership hosted Libby Hosking, a past teacher and welfare coordinator at Mitchell Secondary College, now WMYC-Huon Campus as guest speaker for their weekly meeting. Libby is part of the Indigo Atauro Friendship Committee who fundraise

to support projects on Atauro Island in East Timor. The island has about 10,000 residents and is a very poor community with little sanitation and no toilets. Libby's composting toilets and student sponsorship for high school students to attend tertiary education in the capital Dili. Composting toilets are a simple way to provide a clean and safe environment. Building and the materials cost \$750.00 and can be shared between families in the village as well as



schools and kindergartens. The group has so far sponsored over 20 toilets, with requests for 12 more this year. With Anzac Day coming up it was very timely to have Libby present her group and the work they do to support the Atauro community of Timor Leste, a country that during World War II along with PNG supported the Australian troops in the Pacific Offensive against Japan. Timor Leste is one of the poorest countries in the world whose people have had to fight oppression and now as an independent nation seeks support from Australia to lift the standards of its people. We often take for granted things like water and sanitation as just a normal part of our living standard so it is good to be reminded that not everyone has access to the same. Both Huon and Felltimber Campus have agreed to support the Indigo Atauro Friendship Group by raising funds through our coloured clothes day later in the term and at the Felltimber Multicultural Banquet which Libby will also attend and share information.

Green Bean Project

During the holidays, the Bordermail had a page of photos from the recent Green Bean project some of our Year 9 students participated in. Great exposure for a wonderful program.



Skills Workshop

During the last week of Term 1, WMYC Leadership students worked with student leaders from all the Federations Primary Schools to explore and develop Leadership skills. WSSC Leaders guided the students through a number of

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interactive modules to demonstrate team work, communication and confidence building. This is the first of 4 development days the students will take part in to further build on the strengths of Student Leadership across the of Federation Schools in Wodonga.

> Marg Benbow Pathways Advisor

Community Service

Carevan

Last term, selected students from Years 7,8 and 9 engaged in Community Service by preparing and cooking meals for Carevan during periods 4 and 5 on Tuesdays.

Over the weeks the students cooked a variety of meals such as Butter Chicken and Rice, Curried Sausages with vegetables and



potatoes as well as the most popular Spaghetti Bolognese and pasta. The

students cooked enough for 80-100 serves of food which was then picked up by Carevan and taken to both Albury and Wodonga sites to share with people that night. Team work, time management and communication are a few of the interpersonal skills that the students learn and utilise during the program as well as making a difference to the lives of those less fortunate. Students also sit and enjoy a serve

of the meal prepared after they have washed up and cleaned the kitchen.

Marg Benbow Pathways Adviser

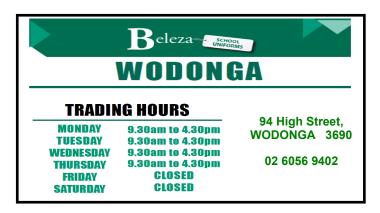
Art, Technology, Language

Welcome

WMYC has welcomed Sayako Kimura to our community this week. Sayako will be working with students studying Japanese in our College. She will be with us until the end of the year. Welcome Sayako!



Melanie McClure and Michelle Butters Japanese Teachers



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

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

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Distribution of Newsletters

Commencing this term, the newsletter will no longer be printed and distributed to students each week in class. The newsletter will now be available either on the College website: www.wmyc.vic.edu.au or through the student portal D2L. Hard copies will be available from the campus office as usual.

Dates to Remember

Dates for 2017	Activity
25 April	► ANZAC Day
28 April	 Year 7 Immunisations - Felltimber
3 May	 Academic Advancement Program (AAP) Information Evening - Felltimber
8 -12 May	► NAPLAN (Years 7 and 9)
12 May	 Year 7 Immunisations - Huon Cross Country Try Outs
22 - 26 May	 Education Week
22 May	 Student Led Conferences 3.30pm-7pm
31 May	Literacy Information Evening - Huon
12 June	► Queen's Birthday Holiday
30 June	► Last Day Term 2

Our graduates will display confidence, be optimistic about their future and be committed to personal achievement and global citizenship.