



**WODONGA**  
MIDDLE YEARS COLLEGE

# Middle Years *my* news



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## Principal's Report

### NAPLAN

NAPLAN is an annual assessment for all students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. NAPLAN tests the skills that are essential for every child to progress through school and life. The tests cover reading, writing, spelling, grammar, punctuation and numeracy. The assessments are undertaken every year in the second full week in May.

NAPLAN days should be treated as a regular school day. All students in Years 7 and 9 are expected to participate in NAPLAN tests and parents who do not wish for their child to sit the test must apply to the school for an exemption. The tests are constructed to give students an opportunity to demonstrate skills they have learned over time through the school curriculum.

An information brochure and letter for parents of Years 7 and 9 students are attached to this newsletter. Further information is available at [www.nap.edu.au](http://www.nap.edu.au)

### Multicultural Week

This week we celebrate Multicultural Week with activities at both campuses. Felltimber will celebrate with music, games and an international feast on Wednesday May 3 and Huon on Friday May 5.

### AAP Information Evening

An information evening will be held this Wednesday, May 3 for Year 6 students and their parents who are interested in the Academic Advancement program for 2018. The evening will be held in the Felltimber library from 5pm – 5.45pm.

### Student Led Conferences

Don't forget to book your Student Led Conferences at <https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au> the event code is **sar9q**

The conferences with subject teachers will be held Monday, May 22 from 3.30pm – 7pm.

### Sport



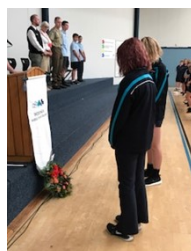
Congratulations to Lachlan Payne who won a Silver Medal for 50 metre butterfly at the State Championship held on Wednesday April 26.

**Will Pleydon**  
Assistant Principal

## Defence Students

### ANZAC DAY

Congratulations to all students on last week's ANZAC Day ceremonies held last Monday at the College.



Well done to College Captains Jordan Ross and Aleisha Griffin who laid the wreath at the memorial on Tuesday during the Wodonga ANZAC service. Students Kaitlyn Castro and Jasmine Butterworth also marched with them during the (very wet) march.

### Ten Pin Bowling Excursion

Defence students have been invited to participate in a Ten Pin Bowling Excursion this Thursday May 4. Permission slips need to be back as soon as possible.

If your parent / guardian is a serving member and you haven't received your invite yet please see Holly ASAP.

**Holly Rodway**  
Defence Mentor

## Art, Technology, Language

### Arts Connect

On Wednesday 29th March a group of Year 9 students from both campuses travelled to Melbourne for an Arts Connect work shop that focused on making stencils and street art. We split into smaller groups and participated in two different activities.



One group worked on designing a stencil that could be used for creating street art. The other group went on a walk through the lane ways of Melbourne and interacted with the street art that was on display in the Melbourne CBD.

When we swapped activities, students experienced travelling by tram through Melbourne CBD to the new Bender studios that were located in the Docklands.



**Kylie Fortington**  
ATL Teacher

## Multicultural Week : May 1-5

Wodonga has a rich history of multiculturalism and is a good example of a Victorian city, which is very successful in terms of its cultural diversity and respect and acceptance.

Wodonga Middle Years College has for many years now designated a whole week to multicultural celebrations and activities, and we are excited to announce that both campuses will celebrate Multicultural Week commencing the 1st of May through until the 5th of May.

We will hold the now renowned, banquet at both campuses. This is a wonderful event where there is an abundance of international cuisine and students get to experience the full array

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of foods for just two dollars!

Felltimber's feast will be on Wednesday the 3rd of May with proceeds from the banquet going to a school in East Timor and Huon's banquet will occur on Friday, the 5th May with proceeds also going to charity.

There are many other exciting activities including: international sports/games, Manga and Anime classes, international films in the Felltimber library, cup cakes to be decorated with international flags, international music to played over the PA, performances, plus a quiz to be run through A Teams.

Students will also have an opportunity to make lanterns in Art classes and the Leadership group will sell Chia tea.

It promises to be a truly wonderful week and one of the College's special highlights: something to cheer about!  
Namaste.

**Kim O'Shea**  
ATL Leader

## Student Leadership

### Victorian SRC conference

WMYC School Captains, Jordan Ross, Aleisha Griffin, Luke Runciman and Hannah Moseley took part in the Victorian Student Representative Council Student Voice Workshop at Benalla Town Hall. Leadership students from many schools across the North East came together to collaborate, create and spark practical strategies to make Student Voice an integral part of their schools learning environments. They were introduced to the Model of Action Plan using the acronym ALTER [ASK,LISTEN,THINK,ENACT,REFLECT] which gave a step by step action plan to take back to school to help affect positive change to enable the best student outcomes. Our students will continue their Student Voice journey with future workshops through the Wodonga Federation of Government Schools program, the next one being June 5th 2017.



**Marg Benbow**  
Pathways Advisor

**FreeZA Push Start Comp 2017**

Enjoy a great night of live music or be the main attraction and enter the comp

**Date:** Friday, June 2, 2017  
**Cost:** Free  
**Time:** 6pm till late (doors close at 8.30pm)  
**Venue:** The Cube Wodonga  
**Enquiries:** Sam Lampe, Youth Event Officer  
 slampe@wodonga.vic.gov.au or (02) 6022 9300

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To enter this years comp visit [wod.city/FreeZAComp](http://wod.city/FreeZAComp)  
 Entries close May 18, 2017

All-ages event. Drug, alcohol and smoke-free event. No passouts and full supervised. All bags will be searched prior to entry.

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**TRADING HOURS**

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

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### Dates to Remember

Dates for 2017	Activity
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

As a special mum (or motherfigure)  
we invite you to our

**Mothers Day Morning Tea**

Friday 12th May, 11am-12pm  
Please return slip for catering

Morning tea nibbles will be provided  
Live music by students.  
Prizes to be won  
Free coffee from our cafe