



WODONGA
MIDDLE YEARS COLLEGE

Middle Years *my* news



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Principal's Report

School Council Matters

At our June School Council meeting, we received a letter from Russell Polson substantive Principal, indicating that he is relinquishing his position as Principal at Wodonga Middle Years College. The current leadership arrangement will stay in place for Term 3 - that is Vern Hilditch, Executive Principal, will oversee Wodonga Senior Secondary College and Wodonga Middle Years College. During Term 3 the School Council along with the Regional Director will decide upon the structure of the school after Term 3.

Our School Council has had some great conversations about our current school camps, approvals processes and policies. I feel confident that all council members are very passionate and capable in being able to represent and support the whole school community. They continue to work very hard to build partnerships and relationship with parents, students and teachers and fulfil their obligations as the WMYC School council. I thank all parents involved who give up their time to be on School Council.

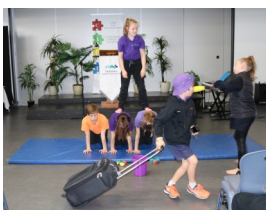
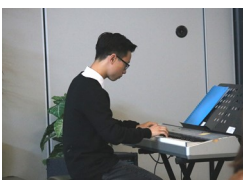
Year 7 Transition

One of the highlights this year has been the positive way our Year 7s have transitioned so quickly into WMYC. This is due to the work of many of our staff and our focused transition program. Our Year 7 intake for 2018 is already sitting at around 280 students. We always expect this number to grow. Tours can be arranged through the office for any family and friends that may have missed the earlier tours or open evenings.

Maree Cribbes
Campus Principal

Vietnamese Visit

After spending two weeks attending classes at WMYC, the Vietnamese students and teachers fared well on Friday June 23



with concerts at Huon and Felltimber. The students performed dances, musical numbers and traditional Vietnamese folk songs for our students. Fruit Fly students performed a skit around travelling. The visit was a great opportunity for both the visiting students and WMYC students.



Casual Wear Day

Huon

HEALTHY BODY + HEALTHY MIND = HAPPY LIFE

Huon kicked off Casual Day with Carevan and Leadership putting on a healthy breakfast spread in the Rose Garden. Special thanks to Jo and Jess for a very early start to prepare food and to the students and staff who helped hand out the hot food. There were many happy smiles of appreciation from the students who then



went off to class with happy tummies. Thank you to Carevan for the fabulous spread they set out as a thanks to WMYC for all the support the College provides via the Carevan Cooking Program.



Felltimber

Students and staff at Felltimber dressed in their sports colours to celebrate the last day of term 2 and to raise money for disadvantaged students in East Timor. The day started with a breakfast of cheese toasties and flavoured milk and students had a great time showing off their favourite teams.

Year 9

Transition

All Year 9 students should have received information about their transition to WSSC. Information sent included a transition time line for terms 3 and 4; and an invitation to a parent information evening. If you have not received anything in the mail, please contact the College.

Some important dates are:

- July 24: Course selection handbooks issued to students
- July 27: Parents and Students Information Night
- August 10: Subject Expo Evening
- August 21: Huon students course selection
- August 22: Felltimber students course selection

Outdoor Education

Mr Wakeling's Outdoor Ed class gave something back to the community during their last session in Term 2. With the help of a donation of plants from Peards Wodonga, they spruced up some garden beds in the carpark near the Felltimber campus.



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Sock it to me!

This is a community service initiative by the Felltimber Year 9 literacy class. The students are hoping to raise \$500 worth of socks by the end of July to donate to Carevan for distribution. Donation boxes are at both campus offices if you wish to donate socks or money for purchasing socks.



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KNOCK KNOCK GIVE A SOCK
!SOCK IT TO US!

OUR MISSION IS TO KEEP THE LESS FORTUNATE WARM THIS WINTER

We aim to raise \$500 worth of new socks

Sock it to us is a fundraiser that aims to help the less fortunate in the Albury/Wodonga area and we want to make a difference in our community

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Please bring donations to the Wodonga Middle Years College Felltimber or Huon Office

This is an initiative by the Year 9 Literacy Class

Phillip Island Camp

All Year 8 students have the opportunity to attend the Phillip Island camp in Term 4. Students who attend the camp will enjoy surfing, see the penguin parade and other activities. Information about the camp was given to interested students on June 30. If you did not receive a copy, please contact the office.



Students wishing to attend the camp should return the expression of interest and non-refundable deposit of \$100 to your campus office by Thursday July 27.

Diabetes Research Survey

Managing Type 1 Diabetes in Children:

A Parenting Perspective

Being a parent of a child with type 1 diabetes can be extremely stressful.



The University of Queensland is seeking parents of children with type 1 diabetes to take part in a research study that will explore factors that could help or hinder parents in managing their child's diabetes. If you are a parent of a 2 - 10 year old child with type 1 diabetes, we would love to hear from you! By sharing your experiences (confidentially) you will help us identify better ways for health care professionals to support parents and families.

To complete the online survey, please go to: <https://exp.psy.uq.edu.au/type1/>.

For further information about the project or to request a survey to be posted to you, please email Jade Grambower at j.grambower@uq.net.au or call Dr Amy Mitchell at the Parenting and Family Support Centre at The University of Queensland on (07) 3346 1202.

Leadership

Breakfast

Twenty Year 9 students from both Felltimber and Huon attended the last Leadership breakfast for Term 2 at Tafe Space. Sophie Weldon was the guest speaker for this session. Sophie shared her firsthand experience at 14 years of age, of the profound impact that one story can have on your life and how it can change the way you view the world. Sophie recorded the story of a young refugee girl named Adut which turned into a book titled "Tears of Hope" and an animation called "What If". This work became the catalyst to continue to record and archive stories in order to create more empathy and connection in our society. It is thirteen years since that first story and Sophie maintains a strong friendship with Adut and her family as well as continuing her work at Humankind Enterprises. We can learn so much through shared stories and be encouraged to become more resilient and grow through life challenges.



Year 8

First Aid

Ms Reeb's 8A class were assessed after their First Aid training in Health, Discovery. This was an 'accident at the skatepark' with a dislocated knee, sore elbow and a grazed face.



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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
17 July	► First Day Term 3
19 July	► Huon GPA and Growth Assembly
21 July	► Felltimber GPA and Growth Assembly
27 July	► 9 → 10 information evening at WSSC
28 July	► Pupil Free Day