



## Principal's Report

### **Awards Ceremonies**

This week we recognise the many hard working students in our College at our Mid Year awards ceremonies. At Wodonga Middle Years College we are committed to recognising the achievements of many students across the College as they strive to do their personal best. We thank parents and friends who have arranged to be at the Awards Ceremonies. Felltimber Ceremony Wednesday 2nd August 9.15am and Huon Ceremony Friday 4th August at 10am.

### **Wodonga Federation of Government Schools Professional Learning Day**

On Friday last week, all teachers in The Wodonga Federation of Government Schools joined together for our inaugural conference. It is an exciting time for government schools in Wodonga as the culture of collaboration is taken to the next level for the benefit of our students. Brendan Baxter the Deputy Chair for the Wodonga Federation of Government Schools opened the day acknowledging the work that our staff do every day in the Federation schools. He also talked about the transformative way we provide education in Wodonga by recognising that no single school can do it all on their own but together, we will ensure that all Federation students benefit from the highest standards of learning and teaching and are inspired, supported and ethically prepared to fulfil their potential. Cathy McGowan, AO then backed up Brendan's comments and endorsed the work of the Wodonga Federation of Government Schools. Throughout the day staff then undertook a variety of workshops to enhance teaching and learning in the College.

### **Parent Survey**

#### **WE WANT OUR PARENTS TO TELL US WHAT THEY THINK**

Our school is conducting a survey to find out what parents think of our school. The Parent Opinion Survey is an annual survey offered by the Department of Education and Training that is conducted amongst a sample of randomly selected parents at each school.

It is designed to assist our school in gaining an understanding of parents' perception of school climate, student engagement and relationships with our parent community. Our school will use the survey results to help inform and direct future school planning and improvement strategies. The survey will be conducted **online by ORIMA Research Pty Ltd** and only takes **15 minutes** to complete. The survey can be accessed via desktop computer, laptop, tablet or mobile at any convenient time within the fieldwork period from **Monday 7th August to Sunday 27th August**. Envelopes will be sent home next week to those families that have been selected.

**Maree Cribbes**  
Campus Principal

## Year 8

### **Phillip Island Camp**

It's not too late to get your names in for the Phillip Island Camp! We are still accepting expressions of interest if students still haven't got their forms in. Those families who are eligible can use their CSEF money for the camp.

## International Visitors

### **Malaysian Students**

A group of students from Malaysia will be visiting WMYC for 4 days in August. We are looking for families to volunteer to have one of the students in their home for the duration of the stay. The visiting students will have a basic knowledge of English and will communicate in English. They will be here to learn about life in Australia and to learn to speak our language more clearly and fluently. The students will go to school each day and will be taken to various places of interest accompanied where possible by their brother/sister and members of the college staff.

Please note that individual members of families who are over the age of 18 will need a working with children check.

For further information please contact Bianca Collins at WMYC on 02 6057 9000

### **Vietnamese Visitors**

Our second group of Vietnamese visitors farewelled us with concerts at each campus last Thursday. During their two week stay, the students attended class each day with their WMYC buddies. It was a great chance for our students to experience an overseas culture.

## Koori Excursion

### **WSSC Trade Day**

Some of our Huon and Felltimber Koori students attended the WSSC Trade Day last week. Students listened to community members tell their career path stories and then rotated their way around trade stalls including Tafe, Defence, Paramedics, Police, NELLEN, ATEL.




### **Student Comments -**

Tye Fuller yr7 Huon - the trade Day was good. It was good to talk to the Ambulance team. I learnt a lot.

Corey Eagleton Myhill - the Trade Day was interesting. I'm interested in pursuing mechanics or security.



**Jocelyn Zeibell**




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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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MIDDLE YEARS COLLEGE

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

This is an initiative by the Year 9 Literacy Class



Join in the fun of Wodonga's Amazing Race!  
Prizes to be won!  
Saturday, August 12, 2017

Time: 9.30am sign in, 10am race start  
Start: The Cube Wodonga Courtyard, Hovell St, Wodonga  
Cost: Free Ages: 14 - 24 year olds

Register your team today!  
Download a registration form at [wod.city/FReeZA](http://wod.city/FReeZA)

## Year 9

### Sock it to Us

The students are almost to their target of \$500, having raised over \$300 so far. There have also been a lot of donations of new socks. Thanks to everyone who has donated money or socks.

## Student Achievement

### AFL Youth Girls


Congratulations to Keeley Skepper, Year 7 student from Feltrimber, who won best on ground for Wodonga Raiders in the AFL Youth Girls grand final on Sunday. Raiders won the game by a margin of 60 points.

## Community News

### University of Queensland Research Trial

Tired of fighting with your teen? Worried about their behaviour? Sign up now to our free online program for parents of tweens and teens!

Parents want to raise teenagers who are respectful and responsible, happy and confident. But, helping your teen navigate adolescence can be stressful and unpredictable. Researchers at The University of Queensland are excited to offer Australian parents of pre-teens and teens (aged 10-16 years) the opportunity to try a brand new online parenting program for free as part of a research trial. The program is based on the successful Triple P: Positive Parenting Program. We are looking for parents who are experiencing conflict with their teenager or have concerns about their behaviour. You will be asked to complete questionnaires to help test the effects of the program. To find out more or register for the study, visit: <https://exp.psy.uq.edu.au/parentingteens/project/online>



**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
August 2	► Feltrimber Half Year Awards
August 4	► Huon Half Year Awards
August 10	► WSSC Subject Expo
August 21	► WSSC Subject Selections - Huon
August 22	► WSSC Subject Selections - Feltrimber
September 5	► Immunisations - Feltrimber Year 7
September 13	► immunisations - Huon Year 7
September 22	► Last day of Term 3