



WODONGA
MIDDLE YEARS COLLEGE

Middle Years *my* news



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Principal's Report

Education Week

Last week we celebrated Education Week at Wodonga Middle Years College. This is a week to celebrate the strengths and achievements of Victoria's government education sector.

Education Week 2018 was all about celebrating the arts and is an opportunity for all students to showcase the work they are doing in arts subjects including dance, drama, music, visual arts and media arts. There was a huge array of activities going on around the school. I would like to thank Kim O'Shea, Luke Harman and all the Arts Teachers for the huge effort they put in to make this such a successful event.

On Wednesday afternoon we also had an open afternoon from 2pm. We saw many current and prospective parents come through the school to look at the school in operation.

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 our staff and our focused transition program. Our Year 7 intake for 2019 is already sitting at around 260 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

Year 8

Garden Project

Mr Hodge and the students in 8E at Felltimber were busy with their garden project last week. They planted five shade trees (a native eucalypt called 'Silver Princess') along the front of O wing. For 2 periods every Thursday morning during this semester they have been beautifying the school grounds. They have developed a vegetable garden, selling some of the excess produce to purchase more seeds and seedlings to plant around the College.



Volunteer Week

Give a Little, Change a Lot

With only a couple of days' notice, two of our WMYC teachers took up the challenge to turn 50 large red timber tiles into the letter V to represent this year's theme, "Give a Little. Change a Lot".

Jaclyn Giltrap with her Felltimber Outdoor Living class showcased a collage of the work and projects they have taken on at Leneva, using the tiles to spell out the value of volunteering.

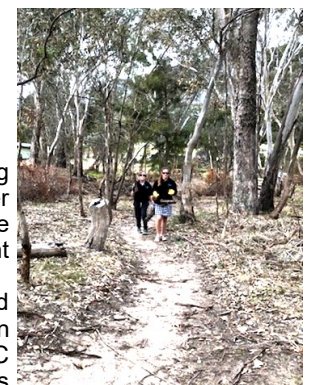
Hollie Radomski's Year 9 AVID class let

their artistic and creative sides take their tiles on a journey around their community. Their big red V showed the willing hands of volunteers and a snapshot of the organisations their



hands have been linked to.

Taking part in this challenge has given these students a tangible way to recognise the amazing value of volunteering in so many diverse ways in the community. The personal skills and attributes gained



by the students when volunteering will serve them well in their career planning, whether in future application for tertiary or employment opportunities.

Great effort from both classes and their amazing teachers for their 'Can Do' willingness to show how WMYC values volunteering as part of its school culture.

Marg Benbow
Student Pathways

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Art Technology Language

Hamer Hall Concert

Each year, the North East Victorian Region showcase the musical talents of students from the region with a concert at Hamer Hall, Melbourne. This year's concert with the theme "Tributes" was held Tuesday last week. Over 3000 people including the Regional Director attended the concert.



Zac (Year 7 Felltimber) and Eliza Spalding (Year 10 WSSC) were asked to entertain guests in the foyer prior to the concert. The siblings have gained a big following and perform regularly in the local area and at school functions. Students from the Wodonga Schools Art Club were also represented with some of their work published in the Concert Program.

Julie Taylor

Instrumental Music Coordinator

International Visitors

Expression of Interest

Over the next few months WMYC and WSSC will be hosting groups of students from Vietnam and China. We are looking for families to host one or more of these students for a few nights during their stay in Australia.

Groups and dates:

Vietnam: Friday 15th and Saturday 16th June - 2 nights

Vietnam: Friday 20th and Saturday 21st July - 2 nights

Students from Vietnam will be in Middle and Senior years of schooling.

China: Monday 13th to Saturday 18th August - 5 nights

China: Monday 20th to Saturday 25th August - 5 nights

Students from China will be Primary and Middle years of schooling.

This is a wonderful opportunity to meet people, learn about their language and culture, and will help to support our diverse International program. Each family will be provided with \$25 per night to help offset any costs for meals/entertainment during their stay.

If you are interested, please contact Mel McClure at the Huen campus on 02 6057 9000.

Mel McClure

Global Education Team Leader

Sport

Cross Country

Congratulations to all students who competed in the WMYC Cross Country at Willow Park last week.

All age group winners - Isabella

Spence, Tom Fletcher, Sophie Payne, Will Noonan, Holly-Rose Boyer, Michael Grohman and Rhys Thorpe - were presented with their medals by WMYC's own Commonwealth Games representative Michael Hosking. Well done.



Camps Sports and Excursion Fund

If you hold a Health Care card, Veterans Affairs card or are a Foster Carer and have not yet applied for CSEF, please do so before June 29 (last day of Term 2). Eligible secondary students receive \$225 each year, and Year 7 students also receive a uniform voucher. Forms are available from the campus offices.

GETTING THERE

- Do you feel you are lacking motivation?
- Are you trying to find your purpose?
- Do you believe you are 'stuck' in your situation?
- Would you like to take control of your future?
- Well get ready to change all that!



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Through the Getting There program we can help you to achieve that change and much more.

LOCATION: Felltimber Community Centre
Cnr Melrose Drive & Felltimber Creek Road, Wodonga
DATE: Thursday 28 June
TIME: 10.00am

Come along to our information session and be inspired.



This course is undertaken through 22237VIC Certificate II in General Education for Adults which is an accredited language, literacy and numeracy program.

This training is delivered with Victorian and Commonwealth Government Funding. Individuals with disabilities are encouraged to access government subsidised training.



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Nominations close this Friday 1 June 18

NOMINATE A YOUNG PERSON

(14 to 24 years old) who lives, works, studies or volunteers in Wodonga

Categories:

- Individual Community Service Award
- Young Carer Award
- Endurance/Persistence Award
- Music and Performing Arts Award
- Sport and Recreation Volunteer Award
- Apprenticeship/Traineeship Award
- Advocacy and Action Award
- Visual Arts and Media Award

Nominations close on Friday, June 1, 2018, at 5pm.

For more information and an application form visit: wodonga.vic.gov.au/rca or phone (02) 6022 9232.



Dates to Remember

Dates for 2017/18	Activity
June 18	▶ Student Led Conferences 3.30pm - 7pm
June 29	▶ Semester Reports issued to students ▶ Last Day of Term 2