



WODONGA  
MIDDLE YEARS COLLEGE

# Middle Years *my* news



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## Principal's Report

### Relay for Life

It never ceases to amaze me the energy and enthusiasm of not only our students but our staff too! Over the weekend 27/28<sup>th</sup> October we had a large contingent from WMYC and WSSC that attended the Relay. Relay for Life raises vital funds for Cancer Council's research, prevention, information and support services. It is a chance for our community to recognise cancer survivors, patients and their carers, to honour and remember loved ones lost to cancer and to raise money to help save more lives in the future. As a cancer survivor, I thank all of those who gave up their time to take part and raise money for this worthy cause. The money raised at this event over the years has gone towards helping to build the Albury Wodonga Cancer centre, without this centre I would be unable to continue my work and be with my family in Wodonga as it is most likely that I would have needed to travel to Melbourne for treatment. It is always very moving to go down to the relay and hear some of the stories and know that our whole community is behind the fight against cancer.

### End of Term

Please put these dates in your diary.

December 17 - Awards Ceremony in the gymnasium at Huon campus. 11am

December 20 - Parent/Teacher Conferences from 9am – 4pm. There are no formal classes-students are not required at school except for their meetings. Parents will be able to book online to meet with their 2019 CARE teacher. The code for the conferences will be issued at a later date.

December 21 – Professional Development day for staff. Students not required at school.

**Maree Cribbes**  
Campus Principal

## Student Survey

Your child has been invited to take part in a survey this Friday November 9 as part of the state-wide evaluation of Respectful Relationships. This is because Wodonga Middle Years College is participating in the Respectful Relationships initiative.

Victoria's Respectful Relationships initiative supports school leaders, teachers and our school communities to promote and model respect and gender equality – and to teach our children how to build healthy relationships, and develop resilience and confidence. As part of the Respectful Relationships initiative schools are supported to take a whole school approach to embedding a culture of respect and equality across our entire school community.

As part of an evaluation of the program, students are invited to

complete a short survey in class. The purpose of the survey is to test the impact of Respectful Relationships and allow students to provide feedback on the program.

I have attached further information on the survey, and an opt-out consent form with this newsletter. If you would not like your child to participate in the survey, please complete and return the opt-out consent form to the school. Regardless of whether you return the form, your child will be able to choose to not participate in the survey, and can choose to stop participating in the survey at any time.

If you have any questions, please contact Gary Hodge (Felltimber) and Tim Bridgman (Huon).

**Gary Hodge**  
Assistant Principal

## School Harvest

### Albury Wodonga Sustainable Living Festival (1 - 30 November)

Join the Sustainable Living Festival this November. It's a month long festival of inspiration, innovation and conversation around sustainable living. Attend a range of workshops, talks, demonstrations and exhibits for ideas to reduce, reuse and save money at home and for business.

WMYC will have a stall at the Sustainable Living Fair on



November 8 at QEII Square, Albury. Everyone is invited to come and have a look.

For information regarding all the events visit:

[www.alburywodonga.gov.au/slf](http://www.alburywodonga.gov.au/slf)

### Exhibition of Excellence

A celebration of student art, technology and language

Thursday November 22

4.30pm - 5.45pm

PAC at Felltimber

Followed by student concert 6pm - 7.30pm

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[www.wmyc.vic.edu.au](http://www.wmyc.vic.edu.au)



# Year 7

## Waste Warriors

On Wednesday 31st October, Huon classes 7A and 7B conducted a waste audit of the school. We emptied all of the rubbish collected in bins over the previous two days and sorted all 130kg of it into different categories. With the aim of reducing waste going to landfill, we discovered that roughly 30% of the waste was recyclable, around 50% was compostable, and only the remaining 20% needed to end up in landfill.

Our next step is to recreate the audit at Felltimber campus and then look at ways of reducing our waste as a college.

A huge thank you goes to Penny from Halve Waste and Margie B who have been fundamental in helping us along this journey to becoming a cleaner community.



**Brook Darby**  
H7A Teacher

# Art Technology Language

## Year 8 Textiles

Students in Year 8 textiles are currently doing a unit on the art of dyeing fabric. They previously looked at using botanical matter such as flowers and fruit to create dyes and are now using a light reactive synthetic dye to recreate traditional tie-dye patterns.

Students also dyed a pair of socks as part of the unit.



**Holly Rodway**  
Textiles

Albury Wodonga  
**SUSTAINABLE LIVING 2018 FESTIVAL**  
 1-30 Nov

**Connect, converse, create.**

For the casual, committed or just plain curious.

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FESTIVAL SPONSORS

Albury City TWO CITIES ONE COMMUNITY initiative HalveWaste reduce - reuse - recycle Jacob Toyota WAW

Dates to Remember	
Dates for 2018	Activity
November 16	▶ Fun Run
November 29	▶ Small Schools Transition
November 30	▶ Wodonga Gold Cup Holiday
December 3 - 6	▶ Koorie Art Exhibition
December 10 - 13	▶ Headstart
December 17	▶ Awards Ceremony
December 18 - 19	▶ Activity Days
December 20	▶ CARE Interviews ▶ 2019 Year 7 Interviews <b>No scheduled classes</b>
December 21	▶ Staff PD Day - Student free day

Wodonga Government Schools Art Club

**Annual Exhibition**

**December 3 - 6**

Exhibition opening  
**5.30 Monday December 3**

Eddie Kneebone Gallery, Wodonga TAFE  
 10am - 3pm daily