



**WODONGA**  
MIDDLE YEARS COLLEGE

# Middle Years *my* news



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## Principal's Report

### Headstart

This week on Thursday we welcome some of our new Year 7 students who will come to the school for our small schools transition day. This will give students from small schools and students with special needs the opportunity to have an extra transition day prior to all students commencing Headstart in week 10. During Headstart, students will commence their 2019 subjects, meet their teachers and new classmates. Headstart at WMYC will commence December 10th for all students in Year 7, 8 and 9 in 2019. We are looking forward to welcoming the new cohort of Year 7's to WMYC.

### Students leaving WMYC

Parents of any student currently in Year 7 or 8 and who know they will not be attending WMYC in 2018 are asked to advise the College.

### Campus Exhibitions

Last week both campuses had their Exhibitions of Excellence featuring student artwork and technology projects. This was held at the Felltimber campus. We thank all students for their work in this exhibition. Also a big thank you to all the Art and Technology staff who put in many extra hours organising this magnificent display.

### Awards Ceremony

The WMYC Awards Ceremony will be held in the gymnasium at the Huon campus Monday 17th December at 11am.

**Maree Cribbes**  
Campus Principal

## Science

### Dr Karl Presentation

50 Wodonga Middle Years students were part of the 800+ audience at the Albury Entertainment Centre for the Dr Karl Kruszelnicki Secondary Schools Presentation hosted by Border Trust. In his unique style, Dr Karl took our students on a journey that was part science, part career advice and certainly all entertainment and fun. In a rapidly changing world he was able



to excite the students curiosity about the world we live in and what the future holds, all based on scientific evidence. Sharni Barton and Jarrod Hooper represented the college in accepting a signed copy of Dr Karl's latest book, Vital Science. Our thanks to Border Trust for this opportunity.

**Marg Benbow**  
Student Pathways

## Nurse

### Love Bites Artwork Display

Love Bites Art work will be displayed in Wodonga Library Artspace from 23rd November until 10th December as part of the 16 Days of Activism against Violence.



The T-shirt display was produced by students from Wodonga Middle Years College and Tallangatta Secondary College as part of their Love Bites Education workshops. Love Bites is a respectful relationship, prevention of violence, school based education program. Students have produced artworks with some very powerful messages aiming to promote healthy respectful relationships.

**Linda Elkington**  
Adolescent Health Nurse

## School Harvest

### Albury Wodonga Sustainable Living Festival

Last Tuesday, as part of the Sustainable Living Festival, Felltimber campus welcomed a group of people interested in the WMYC gardening program. Helena and a number of the Outdoor Living and HOLF students showed the visitors around and explained what they had been doing in the garden, the chook run, wicking beds and recycling.



This week is the last week of the Sustainable Living Festival. Events include making your own reusable wraps and Interpreting your Patch. For information regarding all the events visit [www.alburywodonga.gov.au/slf](http://www.alburywodonga.gov.au/slf)



## Parking at Felltimber

Parents/carers are requested to park either in the Emerald Avenue bus bay (except during bus drop off or pick up times) or in the car park adjacent to Emmanuel Church in Emerald Avenue when attending the campus. The Hedgerow Court car park is for staff, contractors and deliveries only and should not be used for school dropoffs.

Thank you for your cooperation.

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# Creative Writing Group

## Huon

On Wednesday and Friday lunchtimes this term, a number of students have been attending our Creative Writing sessions in the Huon library. The students who have attended have learned a lot and have gained confidence in their writing abilities. They have been writing in various forms, but short stories, initially guided by a story prompt has become a firm favourite. Beth French, of Year 8, compiled this brilliant piece of work below, during week 6.

**Emily Gotts  
Teacher's Aide**

**The box. The door. The crumbling brick. It begged me to enter.**

Dread pulled harshly at my heart as nightmarish ideas swam violently in my mind. He had to be okay. He just had to. The sight of my unopened present at his broken doorstep filled me with horrified curiosity. What stopped him from seeing my homemade teddy bear for him? The after-effects of Valentine's Day gifts soured into a bittersweet feeling. I sucked in a deep breath and soldiered on, gingerly pushing the door open and what I saw shocked me, making me gasp. I took a shaky step forward, blood seeping into my sneaker. I slammed the door behind me to shut so no one else would experience this horror alongside me. Everything was numb, all I could feel was my heart beating quicker, my mouth feeling like cotton and me wanting to vomit. Bile rose up and it rained down like a waterfall on top of my mangled boyfriend's corpse. Stone cold dead. A strangled scream escaped my burning throat, my heart feeling like it wasn't gonna burst. I wiped my mouth, chunks of food seeping into my sleeve. Hot tears ran down my cheeks, falling down into a puddle of blood, making ripples in the vile liquid.

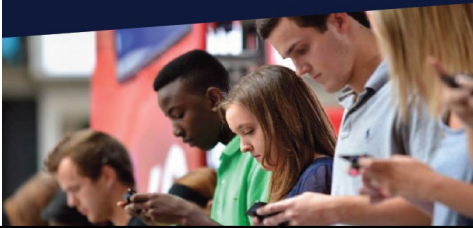
## Free session

**Tuesday November 27  
6pm - 7pm**

**Wodonga Senior Secondary College  
Call 0419 213 496 to book**

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Discount applies ONLY to Beleza brand full retail priced items. Discounted items excluded. Shoes are NOT available for purchase during the sale period.

## 2019 WMYC Camp Week

All Year 7 and 8 students received information for the 2019 WMYC Camp Week last Thursday.

Positions for the Sydney, Melbourne, Phillip Island and Mulwala camps are limited.

CSEF forms and expressions of interest should be returned the campus offices by December 3.

## WMYC presents

The Christmassy Christmas Show  
of  
Christmassy Christmasness  
**Wednesday 5th December**  
**6.30pm**

Felltimber PAC  
Tickets available at the office (gold coin)



**What do you do with broken household items?**

**You can fix them at the Repair Café!**

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## Dates to Remember

Dates for 2018/19	Activity
November 29	▶ Small Schools Transition
November 30	▶ Wodonga Gold Cup Holiday
December 3 - 6	▶ Koorie Art Exhibition
December 10 - 14	▶ 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
January 30	▶ Term 1, 2019

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