



WODONGA
MIDDLE YEARS COLLEGE

Middle Years *my* news



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Principal's Report

Headstart

Last Thursday we welcomed some of our new Year 7 students who attended the school for our small schools transition day. The students involved had the opportunity to have an extra transition day prior to all students commencing Headstart in week 10. This was a very successful day with lots of fun activities and a great way to be introduced to the school. 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 2019 are asked to advise the College.

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

Arts, Technology, Language

The Exhibition of Excellence

Last Thursday, November 22 saw the College celebrate the multitude of excellent work completed by Wodonga Middle Years students in the Arts and Technology. The work was outstanding and Ken Raff, who officially opened the night, remarked on its quality. He drew particular attention to a 3D artistic piece, a clock created by Justin Austin, made out of recycled materials including buttons. He also commended the Koorie art,



technology pieces and the fact that a lot of the artistic pieces were showing excellent signs of creative experimentation. He congratulated all of the students and the staff who supported their learning and work, acknowledging its high standard.

We had the pleasure of listening to two young Year 7 soloists, Zac Spalding and Lily Debnam, who performed like students far older than their years.

A huge crowd of close to one hundred parents, teachers and community members



strolled through the displays, admiring the excellent work and enjoying a fantastic array of canapes.

These nights are immensely worthwhile and very special. They also highlight the College's outstanding achievements.

It was great to see the students proud of their work and the crowd completely enthralled by it. There were over eighty students whose work was exhibited and all the students can be very proud of their achievements.

Thanks to all, who made it such a great success.

Kim O'Shea
Arts Domain Leader Felltimber

Koorie Art Club

The 5th Koorie Art Club Exhibition opening occurred on Monday 3 December at Wodonga TAFE's Eddie Kneebone Gallery.

The 48 art works looked terrific in a professional gallery. Thank you to the wonderful staff, Will Pleydon and Luke Harman who have taken on the project based learning program and made it their own. The students also benefitted from the CSU, Sydney University partnership assistance in developing an electronic resume that tracks the progress of their art work and is accessible in the exhibition using a QR scanner.

The exhibition is open from 10-3pm daily until Thursday 13th December.

Marg Leddin
WMYC Koorie Coordinator

VEX Robotics

Teams from Huon and Felltimber competed at the VEX National Robotic Championships in Melbourne last weekend. The teams had to design, build and test a robot to specific criteria and competed in various competitions during the year earning their place at the Nationals.

The team of Kobe Pothan, Ethan Livingston and Jake Foster won the Design Award and were finalists for the Teamwork Award. They will now progress to the VEX Worlds Competition to be held in Kentucky next year.

The Huon 'Girl Powered' team of Gabrielle Knight, Monique Knox, Ky Rolton, Rhea Nicholls and Beth French won the Creative Award for their robot.

Well done to all teams.



Parent / CARE Teacher / Student Interviews

Bookings for **December 20** Interviews are now open

go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au

Enter the code: **fyeyx**

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Rewards Day

Supatramp Excursion

On Friday 23rd November, selected Felltimber students were invited on the GPA rewards excursion to Supatramp. Students put all of their skills to the test - jumping, climbing, and throwing. We



had many students testing out their dodgeball skills on the dodge ball circuit, all whilst jumping and trying to dodge the nerfballs. Many students overcame their fears and climbed to the top of the walls, jumping down at the end, and we also



witnessed a group of acrobats who have a future career in the circus with their bouncing and flipping skills. Congratulations to our rewards students, we celebrate your success with you - keep up the fantastic work!

Prue Younie
Red House Team Leader

WMYC presents
The Christmassy Christmas Show
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Wednesday 5th December
6.30pm
Felltimber PAC
Tickets available at the office (gold coin)

What is the NDIS?

The National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) is run by the government to help people with a permanent and significant disability live a better life.

The NDIS lets people decide what they need to be more involved in the community and everyday life.

Hannah's Story

Hannah's mother and teachers see that she is having trouble learning like the other children. She doesn't like to talk much and can't write. Hannah isn't doing well at school, and can't learn the way the rest of her class do.

Hannah may have a permanent and significant disability.

Her mother is worried about her. She and her teachers want her to do well at school.

Hannah is getting special help with her learning. She is doing better at school and is looking forward to getting a job.

Why do we need the NDIS?

People with a disability have the same rights as other Australians, and should be able to make choices about what support is best for them.

The NDIS recognises that everyone has different goals and needs, and works with people to help them achieve their goals and enjoy an ordinary life.

The NDIS is replacing the disability system with a new national system.

The NDIS is social insurance and is not welfare. The NDIS takes a lifetime approach to support, investing in people with disability early to improve their life later on.

Getting started with the NDIS.

- 1 Are you eligible for the NDIS?
- 2 Identify your support needs and goals
- 3 Prepare for your planning conversation
- 4 Planning conversation with the NDIA
- 5 Create a care plan

The NDIS is in Wodonga now.
Call 1800 800 110 to begin your NDIS journey.

2019 WMYC Camp Week

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

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

CSEF forms and expressions of interest and deposit should be returned the campus offices as soon as possible.

The Murray Conservatorium Choir

under the Direction of Pippa Andrew

presents

A Joyeful Noyse

"Gloria" by Antonio Vivaldi
Soloists - Colleen Arnott & Margaret Phillips

"A Gaelic Christmas" by John Ross
"Brook Green Suite" by Gustav Holst
A selection of well loved Christmas Carols for all to join in!

Orchestra led by the **Moodemere String Quartet**

Friday, 7 December 2018 at 7.30 pm
Zion Lutheran Church, Walla Walla

Saturday, 8 December 2018 at 7.30 pm
St Matthews Church, Kiewa Street, Albury

Sunday, 9 December 2018 at 2.30 pm
St John's Anglican Church, Beechworth Road, Wodonga

Ticket Prices: Adults \$25; Concession \$20; Under 18 free
Available From: Regent Cinemas, 450 Dean Street, Albury
Murray Conservatorium, Cnr Dean and Olive Streets, Albury
Choir Members

Dates to Remember

Dates for 2018/19	Activity
December 3 - 13	▶ Koorie Art Exhibition
December 10 - 14	▶ Headstart
December 17	▶ Awards Ceremony
December 18 - 19	▶ Activity Days
December 20	▶ CARE Interviews ▶ 2019 Year 7 Interviews No scheduled classes
December 21	▶ Staff PD Day - Student free day
January 30	▶ Term 1, 2019