

Middle Years





Newsletter No 3

Term 1

February 18, 2019

Principal's Report

The 2019 student enrolment at WMYC is 941 local and international students. We submitted our initial Census numbers in late January. The formal Census count will occur at the end of February, which will confirm our Student Resource Package which is the funding we receive from the Department of Education. All our Year 7 students seem to have settled in really well and are enjoying the rigours of secondary school. Thank you to Mr Hodge, Mr Bridgeman, and the house leaders who have been involved in collecting and following up student absences and enrolling over 30 new students into the school since the start of the year.

Staff Professional Practice Days

This week half of our teaching staff will take their Professional Practice Day during the swimming sports. Teachers are now provided with a day free of classes to further improve their teaching, through professional learning, collaboration with colleagues, and time to develop resources to improve student learning and engagement. The days that were taken in 2018 were very successful with teachers collaborating to develop new and engaging content for their classes. The other half of the staff will take their Professional Practice Day on Multicultural Day, Friday 22nd March. This will be an activity day for students based around inclusion and understanding of the multicultural world we live in. Teachers will continue to work towards improving student outcomes and engagement at Wodonga Middle Years College during these days.

College Council Nominations

Nominations from parents for College Council close today February 18.

> Maree Cribbes Campus Principal

Year 9 Careers Advisory Service

The Department of Education and Training is supporting all secondary schools to provide comprehensive career education from Year 7. This includes a new, free, career advisory service for Year 9 students.

The service is designed to help students make better choices about subject selection, vocational education and training, senior secondary school certificates and further study.

Wodonga Middle Years College is excited to be offering this service to our current Year 9 students throughout 2019. More information will be provided in the near future.

There is further information including a list of Frequently Asked Questions about the service, which can be found here: http://www.ceav.vic.edu.au/career-planning-service-for -all-year-9-students/

> Careers Team Wodonga Middle Years College

School Photos

Catch up day for any students who missed

School Photos is

Thursday February 21



this Wednesday

February 20



at WAVES

\$3.40 entry (pay at the pool)

8:45am - 2:30pm

Spectator fee applies

Students dismissed from the pool



Parent Information Evening

for Year 6 into Year 7 students

Tuesday March 19, 2019

4pm - 5:30pm **Tours of both Campuses**

6pm - 7pm Information Session @ Felltimber PAC

FELLTIMBER CAMPUS Hedgerow Court, Wodonga, Victoria 3690 02 6059 2900 02 6057 9000, Fax:

Absence Hotline 02 6057 9051

HUON CAMPUS

22-24 Mitchell Street, Wodonga, Victoria 3690 02 6057 9000, Fax: 026024 3633

Email: wodonga.middle.years.co@edumail.vic.gov.au www.wmyc.vic.edu.au

Ph:



Camps

Camp week is March 12-15 and all students should now know which camp/s they will be attending. All students are expected to attend the four days and where a student is absent, a



written explanation is required or call the absence hotline.

Payments for Sydney, Phillip Island and Melbourne/Ballarat



should be paid in full by today, February 18, 2019 with all camp payments being finalised by Friday March 1, 2019.

More information about the camp/s your child is attending will be issued to students closer to the time.

Gary Hodge, Tim Bridgeman
Assistant Principals

CSEF

Financial assistance through the Camps, Sports and Excursion Fund (CSEF) is available to eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities. If you hold a valid means tested concession card, Veterans Affairs card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF.

The payment of \$225 for secondary students is made to the College to cover the camp, sport or excursion expenses for your child.

Students who are eligible for CSEF and who commence Year 7 in 2019 are also eligible for a one off uniform voucher.

Applications close at the end of June, and forms are available from the office.

VEX Robotics

USA Team - Fundraising

We had a successful Cupcake Decorating day on Saturday 16 February with some fantastic young children learning new skills. A good time was had by all and we had a lot of interest in future classes. Thanks to all involved for the support as we



raised \$436 for the VEX Robotics USA team on the day.

We also have other fundraisers for the tour including raffle tickets for VEX robotics prizes (look out for students selling tickets throughout the school) and a Tupperware drink bottle drive (orders via Michael and Karen).

Save the date for a Trivia Night/Silence Auction on Friday 29 March @ PAC Felltimber.

3690 VEX Robotics Crew

Wodonga City Square Dancing Club Vic

Emmanuel Anglican Church Hall 39 Emerald Avenue, West Wodonga 7.30pm Fridays



Host: Malcolm Wright 02 6059 2092 Rosa - 0413 254 611

Come and try, no booking required!

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Summer 2019Dinghy Program

START SAILING 1&2 Package - \$265 inc. g

20 hours over 5 weeks (includes text & log book)
Starts Saturday 2nd March, 1:30pm - 5:30pm

START SAILING 2 - \$145 inc. gst

12 hours over 3 weeks Starts Saturday 16th March, 1:30pm - 5:30pm

BETTER SAILING - \$200 inc. gst

20 hours over 5 weeks
Starts Saturday 2nd March, gam - 1pm

START RACING - \$265 inc. gst

20 hours over 5 weeks (includes text book) Starts Saturday 2nd March, 9am - 1pm

For anyone aged 13 and up wanting to learn to sail. Conducted by Qualified Australian Sailing Accredited Instructors and Assistant Instructors. Training boats and life jackets will be supplied for each course. (For ages 7-12 years ask about our Tackers programs)

Prior registration is essential, limited places available!

More details, register & pay online www.awyc.org.au/events

Albury Wodonga Discover Sailing Centre Contact: Leanne Thomson Email: training@awyc.org.au Phone: 0467 355 258



Dates to Remember

Dates for 2019	Activity
February 20	► Swimming Carnival
February 27	➤ Year 7 Immunisations - Huon
February 28	➤ Year 7 Immunisations - Felltimber and Fruit Flies
March 11	► Labour Day Holiday
March 12-15	► Whole College Camp week
April 1	► Athletics Carnival
April 5	▶ Last day Term 1