



**WODONGA**  
MIDDLE YEARS COLLEGE

# Middle Years *my* news



**Newsletter No 6**

**Term 1**

**March 12, 2019**

## Principal's Report

### **Term 1 - coming to an end very quickly!**

There are only four weeks of school left for this term with this week being camps week. Students should use the last three weeks to complete class work and make sure they are up to date. The Term 1 GPA reports will be distributed on Friday 22nd March and Parent Teacher Interviews are being held on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April. Today is a great time for you and your child to reflect on the work they have completed this year and to consolidate home and school work practices to further improve their learning.

### **Harmony Day Friday, 22nd March**

Harmony day is a time to celebrate Australian multiculturalism, and the successful integration of migrants into our school and our local community.

Australia is one of the most successful multicultural countries in the world and we should celebrate this and work to maintain it.

Harmony Day is about inclusiveness, respect and belonging for all Australians, regardless of cultural or linguistic background, united by a set of core Australian values.

All activities at Huon Campus

- This is an activity day for all students. There will be no timetabled classes running on this day.
- All students need to be dropped off and collected from Huon.
- There will be many workshops, international food, a concert and a mini-Olympics.
- Choose a flag from around the world and come to school dressed in the flag's colours.
- (Yes, this is a uniform-free day).

### **Family Statements**

All families should have received their family statement either by email or post. If you have an outstanding account with the College we would appreciate prompt payment. If you have not received your statement please contact the Administration Office. Thank you.

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## ANZAC Day

### **ANZAC Day Ceremony**

Flying Fruit Fly Circus School, Wodonga Middle Years College and Wodonga Senior Secondary College will commemorate ANZAC day together as one community. The ceremony will be held 24th April at 11am on the Senior College oval. Parents/

Carers are welcome to attend.

Wet weather plan - see College website or facebook page for alternate ceremony details.

Lest we forget.

**Anthony Nicholson and Jacqui Boehringer**  
**Defence Mentors**

## Year 9

### **Arts Connect 9**

Arts Connect is a fantastic excursion available for Year 9 students.

Students at both campuses will have an opportunity to travel to Melbourne for the day, have a cultural, artistic experience and time to familiarize with Melbourne's CBD.

The first excursion on March 29 is for those who love to laugh as it's a trip to the Melbourne Comedy Festival's famous Class Clowns. In terms of deciding who gets to go; it's first in from the Year 9 cohort with their money. The cost of the trip is \$18 and includes their travel and the show. It is always a great experience to see young comedians from throughout Australia and this should be no exception.

The second Arts Connect trip is a trip to Melbourne on May 9 and will tour Melbourne's famous street art, partake in an Art workshop or visit the Exhibition of Contemporary Art. Twenty-five students, from both campuses will again get to choose the first option on this May 9 trip and 25 will get to see the exhibition of Contemporary Art. Both experiences will be fantastic, and again students will get an opportunity to have some CBD familiarization time in central Melbourne.

These are great opportunities, so Year 9s, don't miss out!

There will be more information and meetings at a later date.

**Kim O'Shea and Luke Harman**  
**ATL Leaders**

## Child Safe Standards

Promoting and protecting the safety and interests of children is a top priority for our College and Wodonga Federation of Government Schools (The Federation). Our College, along with the other schools within The Federation, has a zero tolerance of child abuse.

The Victorian Government has introduced the child safe standards for all schools and organisations working with children up to 18 years old. The standards are a direct response to the recommendations from the Victorian Parliamentary Inquiry into the Handling of Child Abuse by Religious and other Non-Government organisations.

The standards require schools to have a child safety policy, child safety code of conduct, strategies to prevent child abuse and

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respond to suspected child abuse, recruitment procedures to minimise or remove risks of child abuse, and strategies to promote child participation and empowerment.

In implementing the standards schools must take into consideration the diversity of all children. The needs of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children, children from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds, children with disabilities, and children who are vulnerable must be a particular focus.

Our school is working with The Federation to have a common approach to preventing and responding to child abuse across the government schools in Wodonga. You are able to view our Child Safe Policy and Child Safe Code of Conduct on our website or <http://www.wodonga.vic.edu.au/child-safe/>



## 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



## NOW RECRUITING JUNIOR PLAYERS & COACHES

**ALL ABILITY LEVELS WELCOME**

**BOYS & GIRLS : 5 - 13 Years**

**YOUTH : 14 - 17 Years**

**TRAINING WEDNESDAY 5.30PM**

**GROUND: PRO HART DRIVE**

**BARANDUDA**

**REGO DAY: SAT 2nd MARCH**

**1.00PM - 3.00PM**

**WODONGA ATHLETICS COMPLEX PEARCE STREET**

**FIND US ON SOCIAL MEDIA**  
**FACEBOOK.COM/WODONGASTORMJUNIORS**  
**CONTACT SAL KAIWAI: 0410990246**

## Dates to Remember

| Dates for 2019 | Activity                    |
|----------------|-----------------------------|
| March 22       | ▶ Harmony Day               |
| April 1        | ▶ Athletics Carnival        |
| April 3        | ▶ Parent Teacher Interviews |
| April 5        | ▶ Last day Term 1           |
| April 23       | ▶ Term 2 First Day          |
| April 24       | ▶ ANZAC Day Ceremony        |



**LOOKING FOR A FUN AND SOCIAL SPORT?**

- ☑ FIVE WEEK PROGRAM
- ☑ LEARN HOW TO PLAY TOUCH 7s, 7s OR 15s
- ☑ AVAILABLE TO ALL AGES
- ☑ NO EXPERIENCE REQUIRED

### SIGN UP AT OUR CLUB:

When: 5-6pm Friday 22nd March - 26th April 2019 (skipping Good Friday)

Where: Alexander Park North, East Albury

Who: girls and boys new to rugby

Cost: \$45 (deductible from Winter Season fees)

Register: Rugby Xplorer app (download from App Store or Google Play) or on the day  
Contact: [getintorugby@alburywodongarugby.com](mailto:getintorugby@alburywodongarugby.com)

You are invited  
To join our team...



We are looking for players of all ages

To join our family friendly club

Friday's

Seniors mixed training 16+

6:00pm - 7:30pm 1st - 22nd March

Wednesday's

Starting March 27th

Junior mixed training, all kids welcome

4:30pm - 5:45pm

Seniors mixed training 16+

6:00pm - 7:30pm

Contact:

**Bill Clear - 0427594947**

**Tracey Chadwick - 0407592722 (Juniors)**

Gayview Park, Serpentine Ave,  
Wodonga



*Every Student, Every Opportunity, Success For All*