



## Principal's Report

### Why attendance at school is important

When students stay away from school, their learning and friendships are affected. There are many issues associated with students being away from school.

Students who are absent from school:

- miss the introduction of new work
- fail to complete work
- miss revision time
- fall behind in their learning
- develop inconsistent homework routines
- may lack confidence and feel embarrassed because they cannot do the work the class has been studying
- feel left out of class discussion when they have missed a activity and cannot do the associated work
- miss notices and newsletters to take home
- miss excursions, activities, visitors and special activities
- find it difficult to find and maintain good friendships with their peers
- can develop a poor attitude towards school
- fail to realise that the teachers and students miss them

Sometimes students stay at home for reasons that are not acceptable. Some examples are:

- the child's birthday
- too tired to come to school because of a late night
- staying at home with a sibling or parent who is sick
- staying away for the whole day when an appointment is booked for a short time during the day
- weather conditions, too wet, too hot.

Please remember if you are experiencing difficulty in having your child attend school, discuss the matter with your child's CARE teacher or a House Leader.

**Maree Cribbes**  
Principal

## Year 9

### Careers

10 Year 9 Huon students were welcomed into The WSSC Hair and Beauty department this morning, where they experienced a hands-on taste of what the course offers as a career pathway. Many thanks to Rachel Burns and Ms Parry for sharing their knowledge and time.



**Margie Benbow**  
Student Pathways



## Wellness Day - Felltimber

### Year 7 and 8 Students

On Wednesday the 22nd, the well-being and curriculum leaders coordinated the Felltimber campus 'Wellness Day'. With a focus on mental and physical health, sexual and reproductive health, cyber safety and healthy relationships, Year 7 and 8 students participated in numerous activities and presentations throughout the day.

As part of the 'wellness' theme, Felltimber showcased interactive presentations delivered by



headspace school support, our GP in schools program, a member of the National Academy of Human Values on fostering

non-violence in our society along with a staff presentation to

students around safe use of social media and devices.

Students were also invited to participate in various activities in the afternoon with a focus on promoting healthy lifestyle choices, exercise and community engagement.



### Year 9 Students

Year 9 students also participated in the healthy and respectful relationships 'Love Bites' program delivered out of LaTrobe University in Wodonga. The program was coordinated by the Middle Years College school nurse Linda Elkington and included a presentation delivered by Angela Barker - Young Australian of the Year (2011) an international advocate around the impacts of family violence.

### Huon Wellness Day

Students at Huon will have a Wellness day later in the term.

**Rachel Watson**  
Wellbeing

## Student Leadership

### Casual Wear Day

Approximately \$600 was raised by the College for the 'Come as your dream Career'. Money raised will be donated to Border Trust.



# Sport

## Volleyball

Congratulations to the Year 9 Girls volleyball team who competed at the State level competition last week. The team of Ella Vandermeer, Tamara Gorman, Leah Elliott, Maree Matthew and Somaiya Harriden came second in their pool and played off in the elimination final. They finished 4<sup>th</sup> overall - a fantastic effort against Year 10 girls. This was the third year in a row that the team have played state level. Special mention to team members Jorja McFarlane and Kytlee Willis who missed playing because of injury, and to Will Noonan, Kaiden Withers and Merrick Tadeo for umpiring in the lead up and state tournaments.

## Cross Country

Last Friday afternoon we had 80 students run the cross country. Amy Shannon won the girls race and Taj Murphy won the boys race. Age champions will be presented for all age groups at the next assembly.

Good luck to all the students who made it to the next level.

*Hollie Radomski and Jaclyn Giltrap*  
Sport

## Dates to Remember

Dates for 2019	Activity
June 10	▶ Queen's Birthday Holiday
June 26	▶ Student Led Conferences 3:30 - 7pm
June 28	▶ Last day Term 2



**FEATURING TWO 'CREATIVE STAIN REMOVAL' DEMONSTRATIONS: SAT 1<sup>ST</sup> JUNE, 10.30am & 11.30am**  
Demos are free, but RSVP essential via Eventbrite

**What do you do with broken household items?**  
You can fix them at the Repair Café!

**Our experienced repairers will help repair them – free!**

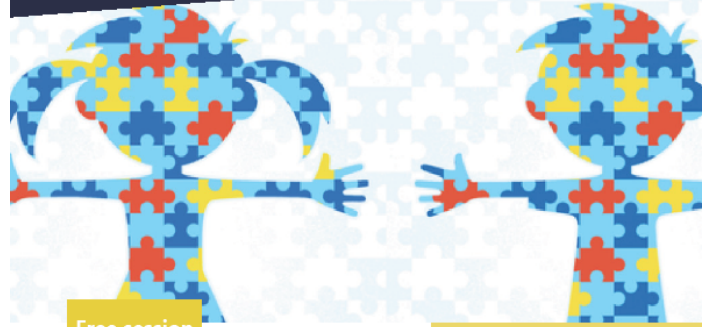
**FURNITURE/WOODWORK GARDEN TOOL SHARPENING**  
**CLOTHING/TEXTILES BATTERY-OPERATED APPLIANCES**

**First Saturday of the month, 10.00am to 1.00pm**  
Sustainable Activity Centre, Gateway Island, Wodonga

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## INFORMATION FOR THE COMMUNITY AUTISM, ASPERGER'S & ANXIETY



**Free session**  
Book now!

**Do you have a child or young person with a diagnosis of Autism Spectrum Disorder, Asperger's or Anxiety?**

Wodonga Federation of Government Schools is proud to provide our community with the opportunity to gain an insight into what Mansfield Autism Statewide Services can provide families in our region. Mansfield Autism Statewide Services strive to empower the individual and their families to live an independent, inclusive and productive life through the provision of individually tailored programs.

- The session covers:
- What is Mansfield Autism Statewide Services?
  - NDIS Packages – how can you access the service?
  - How families can support their child or young person with Autism, Asperger's & Anxiety to succeed in school?

**DATE:**  
Thursday 25 July

**TIME:**  
5:30 pm – 7:30 pm

**WHERE:**  
Wodonga Senior Secondary College  
Lecture Theatre

For further information and to register please call 0408 675 449 or <https://events.humanitix.com.au/information-for-the-community-on-autism-aspergers-and-anxiety>

Baranduda Primary School  
Belvoir Special School  
Melrose Primary School  
Wodonga Middle Years College  
Wodonga Senior Secondary College  
Wodonga South Primary School  
Wodonga Primary School  
Wodonga West Children's Centre

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The winter program will run to 14 weeks between May and September with a break for the July school holidays. The excellent facilities at Tallangatta offer an all weather venue during the winter months.

The winter academy will provide expert instruction and skill development similar to what is offered in the capital cities and is designed to help players develop their game ahead of the coming season.

Participants in the winter academy will receive:

- Expert instruction and direction across all aspects of the game
- Skill development activities, drills and modified games
- Group training with players of a similar age and skill level
- access to modern training techniques and equipment (bowling machines, catching ramps etc)
- Access to video analysis and further cricketing resources
- Official cricket academy shirt and cap
- Delivery of the programs in a safe, fun and all weather environment.

Session time 5 - 6.30pm at Rowen Park Tallangatta  
Cost \$295 To register go to [info@cwcricketacademy.com.au](mailto:info@cwcricketacademy.com.au) with name, age, parent name (with email and phone numbers) and shirt size.

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