



WODONGA
MIDDLE YEARS COLLEGE

Middle Years *my* news



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Principal's Report

Grade Point Average (GPA) Reports and Student Led Conferences

Teacher feedback about students' achievement levels is important information for students, parents and carers. Students received their Grade Point Average reports on Friday 17th May. It is important for them to reflect on their GPA and start planning for the next half of the term.

We invite parents and carers to meet with subject teachers and their child to review their progress and to develop new learning goals. The interviews will be held on Wednesday 26th June from 3:30pm to 7pm. Bookings will be open shortly. You can also contact any campus office to assist you to make appointments. We look forward to seeing all parents and carers at the interviews.

eSafety for Parents – too much time on line?

I have included below a link to the office of children's eSafety Commissioner's website. This is a great resource for parents to gain advice and support about online safety. Dr Michael Carr Gregg, adolescent psychologist suggests that about 1-2 hours of recreational use on line per day is acceptable. Parents should implement safety controls on all devices in the house, these controls can block sexually explicit site, set screen time limits, block in-app purchases, block numbers and SMS, allow or block websites, restrict chat features, and allow parental monitoring.
www.esafety.gov.au

Wodonga Middle Years College has a facebook site!

Wodonga Middle Years College has a Facebook site and all newsfeed updates are put on the site for viewing by students and staff. To access, join Facebook via your PC, Mac, apps for phone or tablet and search Wodonga Middle Years College.

Maree Cribbes
Principal

Movie Night Fundraiser

VCAL Personal Development would like to invite you to 'Winter Solstice Movie Night' at the Regent Cinema Albury on Thursday the 13th of June at 7pm. Tickets are \$15, available for purchase at Wodonga Senior Secondary College, Felltimber and Huon front office.

Help shine a light on the darkest night.

The Winter Solstice is an amazing community initiative that was started by Annette and Stuart Baker after the loss of their daughter Mary to suicide. Survivors of Suicide and Friends is an organisation which aims to bring the subject of suicide and mental health illness into the public forum to be addressed without shame or stigma.

Students from VCAL Personal Development are running the 'Winter Solstice Movie Night' as a way to engage youth in the conversation about suicide, mental health and wellbeing. To raise awareness. To prevent death by suicide.

Murray United Football Club are the ambassadors for the evening.

The reason Murray United are the ambassadors is because young Australian men are more likely to take their own life than die in a motor vehicle accident. There are over 3000 deaths by suicide annually, more than eight people per day. Beyond Blue reports that six of the eight are men..... the numbers are sad, astonishing and increasing. However suicide does not discriminate, 85% of Australians know someone who has died by suicide. Lets shine a light on the darkest night. Thank you for your support.

Regan Calvert-Kora, Billy Simpson, Tyrone Burns, Josh Cairnes, Ben Coulston, Pat Thurtell and Jess Kellahan.

See advert below.

Jess Kellahan
Leading Teacher VCAL
Wodonga Senior Secondary College

**WSSC
WINTER
SOLSTICE
MOVIE NIGHT**

Come See
**MEN IN BLACK:
INTERNATIONAL**
THURSDAY 13TH JUNE
AT 7PM

**\$15
TICKETS**

Sold at WSSC and WMYC Front Office

All money raised from the evening goes towards the
Winter Solstice, Survivors of Suicide and Friends.

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

Absence Hotline
02 6057 9051

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

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



State School Spectacular



We are proud and excited to have some of our students participating in the 2019 Victorian State Schools Spectacular: *Made of Stars*

The Spectacular brings together government school communities from across Victoria. Fittingly, this year's theme, *Made of Stars*, will feature a galaxy of out-of-this-world performances showing that these students are made of star stuff.

The three-hour live show – involving music, dance, skateboarding and circus arts – will be performed to an audience of around 12,000 people at Melbourne Arena on Saturday 14 September over two shows at 1pm and 6:30pm.

Talented Victorian students will feature on stage, while many other students will work behind the scenes, gaining unique, on-the-job, professional experience.

The Spectacular is a creative vision of industry professionals including Creative Director Neill Gladwin, Musical Director Chong Lim AM, Dance Director Deon Nuku, (Scooby Doo, Happy Feet, Moulin Rouge) and Associate Dance Director Yvette Lee, (Dancing with the Stars, X-Factor Australia, Australia's Got Talent and So You Think You Can Dance).

For a fun, family entertainment experience, and to cheer on our students from the audience, be quick to secure tickets when they go on sale at **9am Wednesday 12 June** via www.ticketek.com.au/spectacular

Adult: \$40
 Child Under 15: \$20
 Concession: \$30

Buy 10 tickets and get one adult ticket free (the 11th ticket is free) by calling Group Bookings on **1300 364 001**.

Sport

Year 9 Girls Soccer

The girls assembled at Kelly Park after a frantic collection of players to add to our line up. We created few chances against Cathedral but defended strongly for the match to come away with a 1-0 loss. We backed up with a solid performance in our second game but were run over in the first half against the might of Galen College who won the overall day. Our third and final match was an evenly contested match against Victory Lutheran in which we were able to wrestle a 2-2 draw. Ashtyn Saddington scored both goals.



Thank you to all the girls who played for the day, four of whom had never played Soccer before.

A special thank you to Katie (our sports trainee) Jordan McKenzie (CSU Student) and Jac Giltrap (Sports Coordinator) for the support throughout the day.

Ben Jones
Coach

Year 9 Boys

May 30, a combined team of Year 9 boys from Huon and Felltimber participated in an inter school soccer competition. As



our first game kicked off, it was a chilly 3 degrees! We won all of our games leading up to the finals but unfortunately we lost a challenging final game 2-0. There was some great team play, excellent skills and fun had by all.

Kelli Beer
Coach

Year 8 AFL

Our Year 8 Boys AFL team played exceptional footy all day, Thursday May 30, to make the final. They lost the final against Catholic College, but they should all be proud of themselves for their efforts on the day.



Cameron Middleton Else
Coach

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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Celebrating the same, uniquely different

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