



WODONGA
MIDDLE YEARS COLLEGE

Middle Years *my* news



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Principals Report

Every Day Counts – School Attendance

We are committed to ensuring all our students get a great education, and a fundamental to getting a great education begins with students coming to school each and every day. Missing school can have a major impact on a child's future – a student missing one day a fortnight will miss four full weeks by the end of the year. By Year 10 they'll have missed more than a year of school. There is no safe number of days for missing school – each day a student misses puts them behind and can affect their educational outcomes. Coming to school every day is vital, but if for any reason your child must miss school, there are things we can do together to ensure they don't fall behind; speak with your classroom teacher and find out what work your child needs to do to keep up. Develop an absence learning plan with your teacher and ensure your child completes the plan. Remember, every day counts. If your child must miss school, speak with the House Leaders as early as possible. If you're having attendance issues with your child, please let us know so we can work together to get your child to school every day.

China Summer Tour

Last week we hosted a number of students from China. We thank all our families who hosted the students throughout the week. Having international students gives our students a view of international perspectives and helps students to develop an understanding and compassion for other cultures. As a regional school, we are at the forefront in hosting and educating international students. We understand that these exchanges not only benefit the international students but our students locally and will lead to good will and international understanding between Australia and other countries in the long term.

Maree Cribbes
Campus Principal

Year 9 to 10 Transition

Transitioning to Wodonga Senior Secondary College is now well underway. Subject selection will take place this Monday 19 August 2019, 3.30pm to 5.00pm for Huon Campus Year 9 students and Tuesday 20 August 2019, 3.30pm to 5.00pm for Felltimber Campus Year 9 students. Many thanks to families who have returned their child's Student Enrolment Information Form. Remaining forms can be returned to either campus office or Wodonga Senior Secondary College's office. While it is a legal requirement for this form to be signed and returned before your child commences their studies, it also enables the Senior College to provide families with current and up to date transition information.

Mellisa Long
Director of School Pride

Debating

On Friday the 9th of August the Felltimber campus hosted the annual Border Regional Debating Competition, run through the Debating Association of Victoria. Fourteen teams from four schools made up of students from Years 7-10 each participated in two debates based on pre-prepared topics and one 'secret topic' debate that only allowed 20-40 minutes of preparation. The students gave up several lunch times and put in a lot of independent effort at home to build their arguments for the day. The Middle Years teams collected four wins out of their nine debates, and only missed out by 2-3 points in their losses, which is a great effort. For six of our debaters, this was their first competition against other schools, which makes their achievements much more commendable.

Congratulations and thanks to Macy Cameron, Vinuthi Siriwardana, Bella Cullinger, Emily Jennings, Lily Debnam, Isabelle Rebetzke, Layla Schmutter, Nell Finch, Tahni Evans, Asha Romero, Baylea Johan, and Libby Brown for their efforts on the day, and thanks to Jordan Wells for his contributions to the Year 7 team in the meetings leading up to the event.



Josh DeKruiff
Teacher In Charge

Parent Survey

Tell us what you think.

At Wodonga Middle Years College and Wodonga Senior Secondary College, we value your feedback. Please complete the survey to help us improve our operations and practices. The survey can be conducted at any time and will only take 10-15 minutes to complete.

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Absence Hotline

If your child is absent from school, please call the absence hotline 02 6057 9051 with their name, reason and date of absence

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



Year 7 Boys Hume Soccer

On the 15th of August, the combined Huon and Felltimber year 7 boys team competed at the Hume Soccer competition in Shepparton. The boys started the day really strong coming away with a 7-0 win against Mansfield. They backed this up with another 3-1 win against Yarrowonga. Unfortunately, in the last game of the day, the boys went down 1-0 to St Anne's Kialla. However, this doesn't take away from the boy's great enthusiasm and dedication over the last few weeks at training and also their effort on the day. WMYC has some great developing players and it will be very exciting to see where these boys will go in future years.



Jaclyn Giltrap
Teacher in Charge

Girls NRL Girls Tackle Day

On 13th August seven girls from Felltimber attended the 2019 Katrina Fanning NRL Girls tackle day. Students were taught the correct tackling techniques in various workshops. The students then put the skills that they had just learnt to the test, playing two games of NRL in the afternoon.



Dan Kadaoui
Teacher in Charge

Touch Rugby

On Tuesday 13th of August some of our year 7 students participated in touch rugby out on the basketball court. They learnt new skills and brushed up on skills that they already had.



Arts Festival

The Arts Festival is fast approaching on the 26th-30th August and will showcase the wonderful talent of our students from year 7-9. We are very excited for our students as they will be performing in front of a large audience from the Wodonga District. There will be an array of art work on display that highlights the students ability across all areas of the Arts. The cost of admission is \$4 per adult, children free.

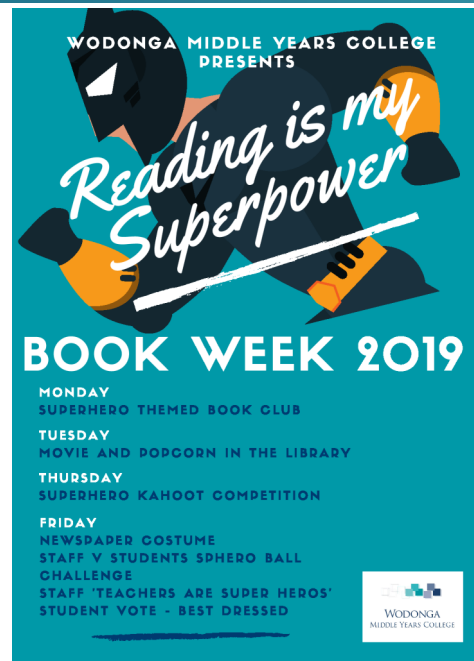
Nishar Neale
Teacher in Charge



WODONGA DISTRICT ARTS FESTIVAL

Monday August 26th - Friday August 30th

The event will be held in Galvin Hall, Wodonga Senior Secondary College. Tickets \$4 per person.



Dates to Remember

Dates for 2019	Activity
26th Aug- 30 Aug	► Arts Festival
12th Sep	► R U Ok Day
12th Sep	► WMYC Activity Day Y7's- Felltimber Y8's- Latrobe Y9's Huon