Our Beautiful Beaches

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DELIVERING EXCELLENCE, INNOVATION, OPPORTUNITY AND SUCCESS
NAPLAN
Year 7 and Year 9 students this week completed the 2015 NAPLAN examinations. The results of this assessment will be posted home to parents later in the year and released to Woonona High to inform future planning and interventions where required.

All students are to be commended for their behaviour, engagement and completion of the three day assessment process.

SHAVE FOR A CURE
On Monday 11th May the majority of the school huddled in the school canteen area (it was a cold and very windy day) to support and encourage those students and staff who supported the 2015 fundraising effort for research into Leukaemia. I believe a new record was set at Woonona High for the number of students who willingly shaved their heads or beards to raise money for this very worthwhile charity. Mr Bradley and Mr Wilson also volunteered and received huge accolades from students for their efforts. Congratulations to the SRC and Mr Bradley for organising, advertising and encouraging participation in what was a hugely successful event. Congratulations particularly to the 12 students who participated.

AUSTRALIAN REPRESENTATIVE
Congratulations to Georgia Thomas who has been selected in the Australian Oztag team. Georgia will be travelling to Queensland to play in the Australasian Championships later this year.

Nikita Woods, as a member of the South Coast Soccer team has been selected to trial for the CHS Soccer team.

Both girls continue to impress with their high level sporting achievements across a number of sports.

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Delivering excellence, innovation, opportunity and student success
On Monday the 11th of May, twenty five students from Woonona, Woonona East and Russell-Vale Public Schools took part in an engineering challenge. The challenge was to work in groups to design and build a structure that would support an egg as high off the ground as possible using only newspaper, straws and sticky tape. It was interesting to see the many varied ideas the students came up with to solve the challenge. The standard was very high and all but one group was able to support the egg, which made for a tough day at the office for the judges.

Mr Zubovic (Relieving Head teacher TAS)
On Monday 11 May Woonona High School supported the “World’s Greatest Shave” to raise funds for Leukaemia research. Twelve of our students (Ryan Mills, Tim Pollock, Jack Taylor, Kyle Chapman, Joshua Hofman, Keenan Jackson, Gerome Waters, Arun Wanstall, Yianni Roukos, Jake Greentree, Bo Smith and Jordan Nicholson) as well as 2 of our teachers, Mr Bradley (SRC Corordinator and TAS Teacher) and Mr Wilson (Science Teacher) braved the shears in front of a large and enthusiastic crowd of students and staff.

The day was extremely successful with $4487 raised to support the Leukaemia Foundation for research into Leukaemia and blood cancers. Ryan Mills was our highest student money raiser ($625) and Mr Wilson’s beard was overall winner and highest fundraiser (not that it was a competition) with over $1300 raised. Overall it was a team effort made possible by the goodwill of many of our students.

A big thankyou to the hairdressers (Jessica Adams and Nicole Apps) who donated their time and came to our school to “shave” our brave ones. Thanks also to Illawarra Small Goods who donated the meat for the BBQ and to Jack-Henry Taylor who initially approached them. Mr Bradley and the SRC also need to be thanked for organising and supporting this special event.
SHAVE FOR A CURE

The atmosphere at the “great shave” was fantastic with the music “pumping” and the apprehension of the shave mounting. There were sausages sizzling and drinks for sale all making it a fun way to be raising money for such a great cause.

As well as the “great shave” at lunch time students also got spirit of the day with a “crazy” hair day.

Senior students were kept busy at recess with cans of coloured hair spray, creating some colourful hairdo creations for students who donated a gold coin to the cause. Not even eyebrows escaped the coloured dye with red, blue and yellow painted brows being popular choices.

All in all it was a great day and the organisers are to be thoroughly congratulated in a very successful day.

Going, Going, GONE!
Popular Science teacher Mr Wilson braved the shears to have his trade mark beard removed.

Delivering excellence, innovation, opportunity and student success
On the 7th of May, Year 10 Forensics Archaeology class went on an excursion to the Sydney Jewish Museum as part of our Holocaust unit. This unit focused on the persecution of predominantly Jewish people initially in the early 1930’s and continuing on to the end of World War II in 1945. At arrival, we split into two groups where we participated in a guided tour of the museum. We then spent the next hour looking at exhibits and learning important information on the experiences of Jewish people throughout the war.

The guided tour allowed us to explore different artefacts and personal stories from 1933 to 1945. We experienced the emotions of all those who were unfairly treated in the concentration and extermination camps that were situated in Germany, Austria and Poland. An estimated 6 million people died in these camps from diseases, malnutrition and executions by gas chambers or firing squads. These individuals included children, infants and women and were forced to endure harsh labour. Throughout the museum there were numerous plaques that outlined the hardships they faced such as life in the ghettos and camps. We witnessed primary photographs and artefacts from that time as well as direct quotes from those who suffered. Towards the end of the tour we entered the Children’s Memorial where a glass basin rested, full of water where, every few seconds, a drop of water would fall from the ceiling, signifying a child who had died in the holocaust. Across from the basin was a collage of names and faces of children who were lost during this horrific time. At the end of the children’s memorial laid the small, untouched shoes of these children. This was a very moving and emotional part of the tour.

At the conclusion of the tour we were privileged to listen to Olga, a Jewish Czechoslovakian who was forced into four different concentration camps as an adolescent. Before entering her first concentration camp, Olga lost her sister as she was taken away by Nazi officials. This drastic event left the remaining family members to move in with their neighbour who promised to ensure their safety. Shortly after, however, Olga and her family were betrayed and sent to a concentration camp. From there, her father was separated from her mother and herself; this was the last time they ever saw him. From transit camps to death camps, from terror to horror, Olga and her mother struggled to survive in the face of hatred, brutality and day-to-day adversities. Forced from Auschwitz to Trachenberg, then to Dresden and finally Belsen, Olga was reduced to skin and bones by the time the British troops arrived on 15 April 1945 to liberate her and her fellow prisoners. On the same day where freedom was in their reach, Olga’s mother died in her arms. At the day of her liberation, at 18 years of age, Olga weighed a shocking 29kg’s! She may have recovered from her physical wounds but the emotional turmoil of losing her family and herself in the war still remains with her today.

Overall, the day was very interesting and fitted well with our school unit we had been studying. Although the stories and artefacts were confronting they did help us get a better insight into what it would have been like for those living in Europe during the Nazi regime. We would like to thank Ms Packer and Mrs Abrahams for taking us on this excursion. Even though we missed the train on the way home and had to wait an hour at Central station for the next one, it was definitely worth it.

By Rachel Pollock and Alyssa Ludewig (Year 10)
YEAR 10 PHOTOGRAPHY

Year 10 Photography students are currently doing studies on “The Character of a Person or Place”. In this course students use photographic and digital technologies as tools for the creation of Artworks. Mr Hoole (Art Teacher) said that the students also learn to use their Artworks as a way to communicate their own ideas, experiences and issues.

The pictures below are examples of the work currently being produced in this course. Cassandra Lane, Bianca Doronzo, Emily Parsons, Isabella Court, Phoebe Basham and Nenci Nhanga submitted the pictures for this newsletter. As you can see the photos produced are stunning in their colour and composition.

We look forward to seeing more of the work being done in this class.
Year 9 Visual Art classes have been working hard on their self portraits.

The students took some black and white photos of themselves. These were printed and transferred onto a transparency which could then be imposed onto large sheet of artist’s paper.

Students are now up to the stage where charcoal or crayons are being used to shade and detail their portraits.

Last week Mrs Childs (SAM) and myself were lucky to have the opportunity to visit the Art rooms. The students in both rooms were totally engrossed in their work being very particular with the shading techniques that were being used. The students Artworks were looking fantastic and we can’t wait to see the finished works. Hopefully the students will put on an exhibition where everyone will be able to enjoy their work.

Pictures from Mrs Armstrong.

Woonona High School is committed to helping students stay safe while using online technologies both at school and at home. We will be holding a presentation for parents of students in Years 7—10 about the issues associated with the internet and online technologies on Monday 25 March 2015 at 6:30pm in the school hall. Students will attend a presentation on cybersafety during the day prior to the parent forum. The presentation is through and non-technical and covers a range of issues including:

- The ways children use the internet and emerging technologies
- Potential risks for children online, such as cyberbullying, identity theft, inappropriate contact and exposure to inappropriate content
- Tips to help children stay safe online

The presentation is conducted by an ACMA Cybersmart trainer and is free of charge. I would strongly urge all parents to attend as the presentation is practical, informative and current.

Please register your attendance by returning the slip given to your child this week or phone the school on 42841513.

Mr Shane Rayner (Head Teacher Welfare)

WOONONA HIGH SCHOOL THEATRE CLUB

Storm Boy - Wednesday 20th May
7PM at the IPAC
Make sure you've paid your money to the front office
Meet at 6:45PM
(See Mrs Matthews for your ticket)
Having learned about the special Carnevale celebrations (a festival famed for its elaborate masks) held in Venice every year, the girls of 7I expressed the wish to create their own masks. They had a lot of fun painting and adorning their masks. You can see their creations in the photos.

Students in 7C, 7M and 7U enjoyed playing bocce, an Italian game very similar to lawn bowls. Bocce was introduced into Australia by Italian migrants and has become popular in the wider community. It can be played on almost any surface. Many of our students said that they had already played the game, especially when on holiday.

Ms Epton (Language Teacher)
WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE AND THE ENGLISH RENAISSANCE

In 8E1 we have been studying the life and times of the Tudor and Elizabethan eras. This is the time where there were no flushing toilets and people threw their excrement out of their windows and on to the street. Sometimes, they would empty their buckets without warning to the people below! We also learned that the people of that time were exposed to many horrors and used to watch executions for fun. During this dark time, there lived a poetic man by the name of William (Willy) Shakespeare, he used to make plays for the gutter minded people of ye olde England.

As a class we focussed on his play Macbeth, in particular Act Four, Scene One. In this scene three witches make a potion and plan to show Macbeth his future. Our task was to perform our own interpretation of this scene, with props, in font of the class. Over a few lessons we learned our lines and those parts. We had some special guests come to our class, including Ms Wall and Ms Matthews. It was a fun experience that got us up and interacting with our English studies.

By Darcy Rathbone and Max Fletcher
If you ever had any doubts about how beautiful our school or its fantastic location is, have a look at the photos on this page.

Earlier last term we had a professional photographer come to the school with a drone to take photos. A video was also taken and turned into an amazing advert for the promotion of our school’s Open Night.

I would like to share some of these photographs with you as they are truly spectacular.
NEPAL DISASTER APPEAL UPDATE

A message from Mrs Carmen Mete

Firstly, I want to express my sincere appreciation for the response in support of the Nepal Clothing drive. I am continuously inspired by the dedication and generosity of our school community, who repeatedly answer the call to give.

I have contacted various aid agencies, and at this stage, they have 6 tonnes (and counting) of donated clothes in storage. Due to the immense destruction and chaos in Nepal, the government is only allowing medical and food supplies through Kathmandu airport. It will be sometime before the airport is operational and other aid is distributed. The agencies assure me that all donated clothing will reach Nepal, but we must be patient. All donations are currently boxed and waiting for the charity Caritas to deliver them to Nepal.

Due to this development, a necessary hold on clothing donations is required until the situation changes so as not to overwhelm those trying to help.

In the next few weeks, with the help and good will of Mr De Main and Year 8, we will be fundraising in an effort to raise much needed funds for the Nepalese people. Information will be placed via the newsletter and email system with upcoming events and dates.

I would like to also take this opportunity to thank Ms Wall who, without her encouragement and continual support, the success of the clothes drive would have been limited.

I know that our school community will continue to partner in assisting the people of Nepal and in doing so will make a great difference in their lives.

With warm regards

Carmen Mete
Food Technology Assistant

Pictured below (left to right)
Mrs Mete and her family in Nepal last year
Bridges that they crossed that are no longer there
Mr Mete (WHS IT and Science Teacher)
ZONE CROSS COUNTRY

The Zone Cross Country Carnival for Northern Illawarra schools was held on Friday 8 May at Nicholson Park Woonona.

Our large contingent of competitors performed extremely well on the day as the results below show.

A special mention must be made of Jay Archer who came 1st in the 15 year old boys race, Brooklyn Younger who came 2nd in the 12 years girls, Kurt Decker also 2nd in the 17 year old boys and Zara Sharman who was 3rd in the 13 years girls event.

Other results:

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Congratulations to all these students. They will represent Woonona High School at the Area Cross Country that will be held in Nowra on the 29 May.

REP TOUCH FOOTBALL

This week at assembly Year 12 student Georgia Thomas was congratulated on her selection in the South Coast Touch Football team. The team will compete at the State Titles in Inverell on the 2, 3 and 4 June.

Well done Georgia.
STILL WATER BRONZE

Year 10 PASS completed their practical lifesaving experiences at Corrimal Pool on Tuesday 5th May. All students had a productive and informative experience. Congratulations to the twenty two students who qualified for their Still Water Bronze Medallion on the day. Ms Walker and I would also like to add a special congratulations to the students on the way they conducted themselves throughout the day.

R Landy
Year 10 PASS teacher.

BILL TURNER CUP

On Friday the 11th May the Woonona Boys Under 15s football squad took on Bulli in the prestigious Bill Turner Cup. A mix of year 7, 8 and 9 students, the team carried themselves throughout the match with maturity and dignity, giving it their all despite a 6-0 loss. The ability to ‘lose well’ is something that takes experienced athletes years to understand, yet I feel that the Woonona squad did just that.

Some key moments in the match included Jarvis Paterson’s mid-air chip-volley that somehow evaded the net; Jordan Errington ludicrously being called offside before hitting the cross-bar; Sam Adnum battling toe-to-toe for 70 minutes against Bulli’s midfield metronome; Jacob Keene somehow managing to hold a rocket free-kick; Fletcher Bowler rushing out without hesitation to quash a Bulli counter attack; and Coen Bott rising unafraid to challenge a vicious near-post corner. And this is only a small selection. Congratulations to the whole squad on their positive attitude.

Squad: Fletcher Bowler (GK), Jacob Keene (GK) Trent Carter, Coen Bott, Joel Dorrian, Kane Dorrian, Mahley Carr-Smith, Ethan Johnson, Jordan Errington, Jarvis Paterson, Corey Gray, Kalani A’Bell, Blair Dunn, Baxter Bowler-Prentice, Sam Adnum (C) and Caleb Bate (sports psychologist).

Mr Mucci
IMMUNISATION CLINIC REPORT

On Friday, 8th May, the Immunisation Team from The Illawarra Area Health Service conducted a 2nd Clinic at Woonona High School. The Clinic was held in the Hall and I was ably assisted by Jezebel Spence, Maddison Murray, Matisee Madden, Morgan Dunning and Zali Hawken from Year 9, who helped with the paperwork and the many jobs which arose on the day to assist the Clinic to run smoothly.

Jay, the Clinic Supervisor congratulated our school and students on their manners and cooperation throughout the day and she and her team are looking forward to their return visit later in the year.

(Mrs ) Karenne Harris

NAPLAN UPDATE YEARS 7 AND 9

This week students in Year 7 and Year 9 have completed their Naplan Tests in Language, Grammar and Spelling, Reading, Numeracy (Calculator Allowed) and Numeracy (Non Calculator).

All students are to be congratulated on their excellent behaviour and the conscientious way they completed these tests. Friday was the “Naplan Catch Up Day” for students who may have missed one of the test days.

Schools are expected to receive the NAPLAN Reports for parents by the 21st August, 2015.

IMMUNISATION CLINIC REPORT

Year 7 Woonona High School student Stuart Logan was chosen in the Under 13 Illawarra Rugby side to tour New Zealand this year.

The Illawarra side flew to Christchurch Easter Saturday and played the local Division 1 side, Belfast Rugby Club two days later. They came away emphatic winners 72-0.

The boys then travelled to Dunedin where they played local club side “Pirates” who were much stronger opposition and the lads survived a very physical encounter plus extreme weather to record a very gutsy 42-17 win.

A highlight was touring the new 50,000 seat capacity Forsyth Barr stadium that the Otago Highlands play at. It was very impressive and gave the boys an idea of the depth of passion rugby holds in NZ.

The 3rd game was at the picturesque Alexandra in the middle of the south island and they played a local team and recorded an amazing 92-0 score with almost everyone getting on the try scoring sheet.

Last and toughest game was at the very beautiful Queenstown ground where they played Wakitipu, a strong Division 1 side. Although the boys lost 27-17, we discovered after the game we played an under 14’s side and still showed enormous courage to run up some points against them.

All up a fantastic tour, an excellent cultural experience and a strong lead up to the country championships being held in Armidale 22-24 May, of which the boys are defending champions.

Report from Nick Logan
BOOK CLUB

This fortnight our guest speaker was Mrs Mellor from our H.S.I.E department. She has recently begun reading historical fiction and spoke about the book *The Tide Watchers*.

I reviewed the book by E. Lockhart’s “The Disreputable History of Frankie Landau-Banks”. This is a young adult novel that follows the adventures of Frances (Frankie) Landau-Banks, a fifteen-year-old who attends the prestigious Alabaster Academy in Massachusetts. During the summer she attracts the attention of Matthew Livingston, a senior boy whom she begins dating.

She discovers that Matthew is a member of the Loyal Order of the Basset Hounds, a secret society on campus responsible for lighthearted pranks and mischief. Frankie comes to envy the bond between Matthew and his fellow Hounds and wants to be a part of it. Her attempt at infiltration into the group goes too far and she is almost expelled from the school.

This book is a witty and light hearted read and highly recommended.

Chelsea Quayle spoke about the fantasy book *Inkheart*. This book is the first book of the *Inkheart* trilogy and written by award winning author Cornelia Funke. Although this book was written in 2003 it remains a popular read amongst teenagers.

HSC RESOURCES - TRIALS

With the HSC Trials coming up and the HSC just around the corner, I would like to remind senior students about the many HSC resources available in the library. There are study guides on all subjects offered at Woonona High and also guides on how to study and write essays.

GREAT STUDY TOOL FOR YOUR TEENAGER

How many times does your teenager sit down to study but instead can be found on Facebook, email, twitter or the latest online game?

*Stay Focused*. Free from the Google Chrome web store.

Stay Focused is a productivity extension tool by Google chrome that can help them stay focused on work by restricting the amount of time they can spend on time wasting websites. Once your allotted time has been used up, the sites are blocked and will be inaccessible for the rest of the day.
ILLAWARRA COAL CAREERS EXPO

A huge thanks to all the staff that helped make that annual excursion to the Illawarra Careers Expo a success again this year. Nearly all of our Year 10 and 12 students attended and gathered all sorts of useful information. A complete, student written, report will be published in the next newsletter.

Huge thanks also to the 4 Yr 12 WRAP students that did work experience at the expo – Sarah Armour, Austin Brooks, Jack Dugan and Benjamin Mort. They were very efficient, hard working and complimented often by the staff at the expo.

SCHOOL LEAVERS

Any students planning to leave school next year and hope to enter an apprenticeship, traineeship or any other employment ought to have their resumes fixed up and be registered with seek.com. In July and August our local major employers will be advertising positions. Watch the papers, speak with contacts and get out there looking. Please see me if you would like assistance.

Leaving School What next?

Career and Course Evening for School Leavers

Career Development, Assessment and Counselling (CDAAC) (a part of TAFE Illawarra) is inviting school students to a Career and Course evening. For many young people (and their parents) the decision about whether to leave school and what to do is very stressful. Getting the information you need and then sorting out what it means for you can be really difficult.

The Career and Course Evening is for young people who are feeling a bit lost with what to do next. Because the decision is often made in conjunction with parents each young person is asked to bring a parent or parents along. If you don’t want to bring a parent but have someone else who helps you with decisions then bring them. If you just want to come on your own then please do so.

During the two hour program we will give each young person a career assessment designed to identify suitable careers and courses. Plus we will provide information and answer questions on the full range of career and training pathways available to students.

By the end of the evening we hope that each student will have a plan for what to do next in order to make for a successful year. Because of the career assessment and personalised nature of the evening we can only take very small numbers. Places are limited but there will be other opportunities. We will keep a waiting list.

Cost: There is no cost for this program

Tuesday 2nd June 2015
WOLLONGONG TAFE
Block B, Conference Room
6pm to 8pm
To book your place at either campus or make enquiries please phone:
Sally Kettley on 4229 0535
UPCOMING UOW EVENTS

2015 EARLY ADMISSIONS OPEN MONDAY AUGUST 3
MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW WHEN NOTIFIED BY UNIVERSITY BUT IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOU
UPDATE YOUR YEAR 11 APPLICATIONS IN PREPARATION- SEE ME IF YOU DON’T REMEMBER.

UOW OPEN DAY
SATURDAY AUGUST 15TH 10AM – 4PM

UOW YouTube Chat: Choosing a Career
In 2014, UOW held a number of online chats to help prospective UOW students make informed
decisions about their study choices.
The following chats were recorded and are available to view on their website:
  - Orientation and Enrolment
  - Your ATAR, Your Options
  - Early Admission
  - Your Career, Your Choice
  - Future Finder


Southern Cross University Head-Start Program
Registrations for Head-Start 2016 open Fri 1st May
SCU provides the opportunity for high achieving year 11 and 12 students to get a taste of student life by
studying university courses while still attending school. Applicants will be selected based on their
academic performance, a personal statement and the recommendation of their Principal.
Contact: headstart@scu.edu.au
http://scu.edu.au/headstart/

ANU GET SET PROGRAM
Fri 15th May, 8.30am – 4.00pm, Ian Ross Building 31, Australian National University
The Girls in Engineering and Technology program - GET Set, is designed for female students in years 11
and 12 who wish to explore an education and career in engineering or computing. Participants will
become involved in many fun non-competitive programs exploring disciplines such as solar energy,
mechatronics, artificial intelligence and biomedical engineering.
http://cecs.anu.edu.au/future_students/getset

BLUSCOPE STEEL CAREER SNAPSHOT DAYS
This is a chance to visit the Port Kembla Steel works for a tour in order to get an idea of the roles of
Materisl and Chemical Engineers interested students visit tours@aiw.org.au or ring Lynne Radburn on
42757023.

Proposed dates are; Monday June 29, Tuesday June 30 Wednesday July 1, Thursday July 2 and Friday
July 3.
THIS IS A MUST FOR STUDENTS CONTEMPLATING APPLYING FOR CADETSHIPS IN ENGINEERING WITH BLUSCOPE AND RUN THROUGH UOW.

Illawarra Aged Care, Community Care and Disability Services Sector Careers Expo Tuesday May 5 12-7pm at Café Essay Conference Centre 11-13 Burelli St Wollongong NSW 2500

This expo may present students with ideas for Part time and Full time Employment in these growing industries.

TAFE & APPRENTICESHIPS

Group Training Organisations

Group Training Organisations (GTO) provide a training and employment arrangement, where an organisation employs apprentices and trainees and places them with host employers. A GTO undertakes the employer responsibilities for the quality and continuation of the apprentices’ and trainees’ employment and training. To learn more or find a local Group Training Organisation, visit:


PRIVATE COLLEGES

Whitehouse Institute of Design Open House

Fri 19th June – Sat 20th June, 2 Short Street, Surry Hills

Whitehouse Institute of Design Australia will host ‘Open House’, an invitation for potential students, school leavers and the general public to experience the Sydney and Melbourne campuses, as well as discover what their students have been working on.

Contact: 1300 551 433 or enquiry@whitehouse-design.edu.au

Academy of Information Technology Information Night

Tue 12th May, 6.00pm – 8.00pm, Level 2, 7 Kelly Street, Ultimo
Tue 16th June, 6.00pm – 8.00pm, Level 2, 7 Kelly Street, Ultimo

An interactive seminar providing an opportunity to learn more about the curriculum, course requirements and study pathways at AIT.

http://www.ait.nsw.edu.au/events/

FIA Fitnation Open Day

Sat 9th May, 10.00am – 12.30pm, 815 George St, Level 3

Discover what separates FIA Fitnation apart from other fitness career providers.


JMC Academy Workshops

Entertainment Business Workshop: Thu 17th September, 10.00am – 3.30pm
Animation and Game Design Workshop: Thu 17th September, 10.00am – 3.30pm
Music and Audio Workshop: Thu 17th September, 10.00am – 3.30pm
Film and Television Production Workshop: Thu 17th September, 10.00am – 3.30pm
Digital Design Workshop: Thu 17th September, 10.00am – 3.30pm
Motion Capture Workshop: Thu 17th September, 10.00am – 3.30pm
Get an insight into JMC Academy and a taste of what a career in the creative industries would look like.
Workshops are designed for high school students and cost $20.
http://www.jmcacademy.edu.au/events/workshops/sydney-high-school-workshops

International Film School Sydney Workshop
Thu 9th July, 10.00am – 3.00pm, International Film School Sydney, 41 Holt Street, Surry Hills
Students will learn about the fundamentals of filmmaking, crew roles on set, and how to perform the best direction.
http://ifss.edu.au/whats-happening/open-days-events

CATC Design School: Day in The Life Workshops
Sat 4th July, Ultimo Campus, 46-45 Mountain Street Ultimo
An interactive and hands-on design discovery workshop where students can get an idea of careers in either Communication, Graphic Design, Photography, Branded Fashion, Interaction Design, Motion Design, 3D Design or Animation.
Contact: 02 9492 3242 or info@billyblue.edu.au

OTHER NEWS

UN Youth Australia: Human Rights Summit
Sydney: Sat 16th May, Glebe, Town Hall
Canberra: Sun 17th May, ANU
A full-day event for students in Years 9-12 that will bring together 800 young Australians in seven capital cities to explore LGBTIQ rights and issues in Australian and abroad. Participants will take part in interactive workshops and hear from speakers who have fought for LGBTIQ rights in communities across Australia.

Career FAQs Sector Snapshot: Healthcare
An overview of the sector including current employment, future prospects and salaries.

Australian National Chemistry Quiz
Thu 23rd July
Registrations close: Tue 9th June
Secondary students are able to participate in this chemistry quiz, which is designed to promote the study of chemistry around the world.

UNICEF Young Ambassadors
Applications close Sun 3rd May
STUDENT MONITORING

This week is student monitoring week. All students will be monitored in all subjects. Results of the monitoring will be handed to students in roll call next week.

As mentioned in last fortnights newsletter we are in the process of gathering and updating all parent / carer email addresses. This will eventually enable us to email parents their child’s monitoring results as well as notifying parents of overdue absentee notes. The system will also be used to congratulate students who are performing well and to bring to parents attention any student who may need extra help with subjects.

Notes in regard to parent / carer email addresses were handed out last week and the response has been excellent. Thankyou to all parents / carers who sent back notes promptly. For anyone who hasn’t yet returned their form could this be done as soon as possible. For the email system to work efficiently it would be ideal to have 100% of all parent email addresses.

Mr Rayner
Head Teacher Welfare

The UNICEF Australia Young Ambassador Program is for young people aged 15-24 to speak up for children’s rights. Apply to be a member of the team for 2015/16, the role is a one-year voluntary opportunity.


MoneySmart

The Australian Securities and Investment Commission has developed a website to assist with all areas of financial planning, including saving, budgeting, spending, personal tax, superannuation, debt management and insurance. The website allocates special sections for young people including apprentices, trainees and students in vocational education.


Antipodeans Abroad Information Sessions

Language Immersion Night: Tue 19th May, 7.30pm – 8.30pm, Level 3, 182 Blues Point Road, McMahons Point

GapBreak Information Night: Wed 20th May, 7.00pm – 8.00pm, Level 3, 182 Blues Point Road, McMahons Point

Unibreak Online Information Night: Tue 26th May, 6.00pm – 7.00pm

Projects Abroad

Tue 5th May, 6.30pm – 7.30pm, Sydney Central YHA 11 Rawson Place

Webinar – All Projects and Destinations: Mon 25th May, 6.00pm (EST)

Webinar – School Leavers and Gap Year: Tue 2nd June, 6.30pm (EST)
WAKE UP JEFF!

No its not the purple wiggle—its Jeff Bone our hard working genitor!

Jeff has been working tirelessly here at Woonona High School for the past 13 years.

Jeff starts his day at around 5:30am. He spends the morning keeping the school grounds, toilets and buildings clean and tidy. He then retires for a break before returning in the afternoon to tidy up after the school day.

Very popular with students and staff, Jeff is known for his rye sense of humour and his witty comments. Students all know his name and many seek him out for a chat.

A big thank you to Jeff and please know that we all appreciate your efforts very much.

P.S The office ladies haven’t received any flowers for ages—hand picked ones that is. (Jeff sometimes spoils us with a flower and even though some might have seen better days it definitely brightens up our day!)

MASTERING THE HSC EXAMS FREE LECTURE

Mastering the Exams” is a unique lecture designed to provide students with the best opportunities to maximise examination marks. During the course of this program, students will learn vital skills that will help optimise examination performance as well as strategies that will maximise learning and cut down on study time! In addition, the following key topics will be addressed:

- The key ingredients for exam success.
- Strategies used by average students to obtain Band 6 scores.
- Planning and executing effective exam study timetables.
- Techniques to enhance concentration and memory.
- Setting out answers so as to optimise examination scores.
- Capitalising on consequential marks.
- Errors made by past students and how to avoid them.
- Combating “panic attacks” and “mind blanks”.
- Strategies to maximise how much of each exam is answered correctly.

Valued at over $200 this program is FREE OF CHARGE* to students. Students attending this program are, however, required to make a *minimum $10 donation to the CHARITY representatives that will be in attendance on the day. 100% of the proceeds collected will be donated to The Fred Hollows Foundation.

To date, our “Mastering” lecture series have raised over $280,000, all of which has been donated to charity.

Venue: The University of Sydney, Camperdown

Dates & Times: Sunday 31 May 2015 (10am - 2pm) or Saturday 13 June 2015 (10am - 2pm)

Book via the website: www.tsfx.com.au

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The P&C is selling Entertainment Books this term to raise some much needed funds for our school. Our P&C has continually committed funds to the school, last year we bought fans for the hall, and have also recently bought the overhead projector and screens in the hall. We would like to support the school to continue upgrading the hall, and to help with the purchase of new curtains for the back and side of the stage.

We encourage all families to purchase an Entertainment book. The school receives $11 for every book sold, so it’s a great opportunity for us to raise some funds. You can order your book online or at the school office. See the order form on page 21 of this newsletter for school orders or see the details below for online orders.

The book offers great value, with dining and entertainment discounts and coupons. We look forward to this being a successful fundraiser for the school, and we thank you for your support.

Heidi Luyten
P&C President

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SCHOOL UNIFORMS

The uniform shop has now got spray jackets, school jumpers and zipper jackets in stock in most sizes. Previous orders have been filled and if you wish to purchase cooler weather clothing the uniform shop is now able to supply these items.

New Prices are as follows:

- Spray Jackets: $65
- Jumpers (Sloppy Joes): $35
- Zipper Jackets: $40

Prices for all other items remain the same.

J Overton, R Walker & P O’Brien
Your friendly uniform shop volunteers.
DRAMA ENSEMBLES SHOWCASE EVENING SEMESTER 1 2015
TUESDAY 26TH MAY 2015
6:30PM IN THE DRAMA STUDIO

COMING SOON
Woonona High Schools production of the WIZ
Stay tuned for more details.

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**DRIVING NEAR SCHOOL**

We have recently had several complaints from the residents of Austin Street about the practice of stopping at the bottom of the culdesac to drop off or pick up students. Parents / Carers are reminded that this area is a NO STOPPING zone. Stopping in this area is dangerous for students and causes traffic jams and congestion and in fact, one resident of Austin Street has had her car run into three times recently. She has notified us that she has been in touch with the police about this matter.

Parents / Carers are asked to stop at the TOP of the street to let their children off for school.

We here at school are also concerned about the practice and have reported the matter. We have been advised that council rangers will be regularly patrolling the area and will be able to fine anyone who stops in the no stopping zone.

Parents are also reminded that even in wet weather parents are NOT to drive into the school grounds at Nicholson Street to pick up or drop off students.

This practice is extremely dangerous and causes major congestion at a time when all students are arriving or leaving school.

Because of the dangers involved, if this practice continues the gates at the Nicholson Road entry to the school will have to be monitored.

We appreciate your help with this matter.

Belinda Wall

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**Learning Labs**

**A holiday program for gifted and talented students**

If you are a student looking for an intellectually challenging and fun experience in the July school holidays then this program is for you!

Learning Labs is an academic enrichment program for students in years 7 to 10, with curriculum being pitched at a flexible Year 11 and Year 12 level. We are offering workshops that cover a range of academic fields. The program is developed and presented by University academics who are leaders in their field. Workshops will be innovative, challenging and aim to stimulate the interests of high achieving students. This is a wonderful opportunity for students to socialise with like-minded peers within a university setting. We look forward to meeting you!

**When:** 2 - 3 July 2015  
**Time:** 9:00am - 3:30pm  
**Where:** University of Wollongong Campus  
**Fee:** $155  

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TERM 1 2015 CALENDAR

Mon 18 May    PDHPE First Aid
Sun 17 May    Kwaya Choir
Tues 19 May    P&C Meeting 7:30pm
Wed 20 May    Athletics Carnival
Thurs 21 May  Athletics Carnival
Mon 25 May    Cyber Bullying Presentation
Wed 27 May    CoS Leadership Forum
Thur 28 May   WotOpera Day 1
Fri 29 May    Regional Cross Country (Nowra)
Thurs 4 Jun   CoS Visual Art Day
Mon Jun 8—19  Year 12 Trial Examinations
Thur 11 Jun   WotOpera Day 3
Mon 15 Jun—17 Yr 11 PDHPE Camp
ICAS Writing Comp.
Tues 16 Jun   P&C Meeting 7:30pm
Thur 18 Jun   WotOpera Day 4
Fri 19 Jun    Zone Athletics Carnival
Mon 22 Jun   - 26 Rewards Exc Yrs 7—11
Thur 25 Jun   WotOpera Day 5
Fri 26 Jun    CoS Public Speaking RVPS

CANTEEN HELPERS

Mon 18 May    Karen & Lenore
Tues 19 May   Susie Eager
Wed 20 May    HELP NEEDED
Thur 21 May   HELP NEEDED
Fri 22 May    HELP NEEDED
Mon 25 May    HELP NEEDED
Tues 26 May   Kerri Austin
Wed 27 May    HELP NEEDED
Thur 28 May   HELP NEEDED
Fri 29 May    HELP NEEDED
Mon 1 Jun     HELP NEEDED
Tues 2 Jun    Carolyne McQuiggin
Wed 3 Jun     Chris Core
Thur 4 Jun    HELP NEEDED
Fri 5 Jun     Angela Madden
Mon 8 Jun     HELP NEEDED
Tues 9 Jun    Jo Meirs
Wed 10 Jun    HELP NEEDED
Thur 11 Jun   Stephanie Cotterill
Fri 12 Jun    HELP NEEDED
Mon 15 Jun    Karen & Lenore
Tues 16 Jun   Susi Eager
Wed 17 Jun    HELP NEEDED
Thur 18 Jun   HELP NEEDED
Fri 19 Jun    HELP NEEDED
Mon 22 Jun    HELP NEEDED
Tues 23 Jun   Kerri Austin
Wed 24 Jun    HELP NEEDED
Thur 25 Jun   HELP NEEDED
Fri 26 Jun    HELP NEEDED
Mon 29 Jun    HELP NEEDED
Tues 30 Jun   HELP NEEDED
Wed 1 July    HELP NEEDED
Thur 2 July   HELP NEEDED
Fri 3 July    HELP NEEDED

SCHOOL CAPS

Reminder to parents that school caps are now available at the uniform shop for $15.

We are trying to encourage all students to wear the correct cap as part of the school uniform.

Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop now has an email address. To contact Renae or Jackie for any enquiries regarding uniform orders please email them at woononahs.uniforms@gmail.com.

Uniform order forms can be downloaded from our website or they are available at the Front Office.
The Uniform Shop is open each Thursday from 8.00am—9.30am.
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THIRROUL NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE—YOUTH ACTIVITIES FOR MAY 2015

Wednesday 20th
Dress up day: 3-6pm
Dress up party! Bring along costumes, wigs, whatever you’d like! Dress in your grandpa’s clothes, or as a princess

Friday 22nd
Movie Afternoon 3-6pm
Bring in movies to watch, kick back, eat some popcorn and sink into fiction.

Wednesday 27th
Board Games: 3-6pm
Move around the board and win at the Game of Life. Solve a murder or Cluedo, or beat the system at Monopoly.

Friday 29th
Cook Off: 3-6pm
Are you feeling Masterchef ready? Don your aprons and step up to the challenge cause today we are making a three course meal. Super yummy and lots of fun - Whatever you do, don’t

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