

# WOONONA HIGH SCHOOL



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# Newsletter

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## Calendar

- 12/10/2018 Russell Vale Sports Coaching Volunteering Program
- 18/10/2018 HSC Exams begin
- 19/10/2018 Year 10 Geography Field Work
- 29/10/2018 Year 10 Excursion/ Assessment Free Week
- 29/10/2018 Year 5 Sample Lesson Day



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# Year 12 Graduation

On Thursday 27 September Woonona High School farewelled the Year 12, 2018 cohort with the traditional Graduation Ceremony. The school hall was full with families, friends, teachers and peers of the year 12 group as we celebrated and acknowledged their time here at Woonona High.

It was an emotional ceremony full with laughter, and a few tears as we wished them all the best for the future and their HSC exams.

At the ceremony both academic and social success was acknowledged. Major awards included:

J.N. Webster Trophy for Service to the School: 2018 Captains, Elly Moore and Keegan Loxton

Woonona Lions Club Trophy for Service to the School: 2018 Vice Captains, Sam Inzinger and Charlie-Pearl Cram

Outstanding Academic Achievement: Sam Inzinger, Kye Linsley, Emily Nicholson, Freya Robinson, Liam Robinson, Jezebel Spence

Excellent Academic Achievement: Taryn Boyle, Jade O'Brien

Most Conscientious Student Award: Hayley Walker

Principal's Award: Faith Apps, Jessica Ayrton, Madelina Camilleri, Jeremy Eager, Matisse Madden, Jade O'Brien, Jezebel Spence, Hayley Walker

Reuben F Scarf Award: Alan Russell

ADF Long Tan Leadership and Teamwork Award: Caitlin Tucker

Woonona High School Medal: Jade O'Brien

Congratulations to these students and to all who received awards on the day.



Elly Moore, Keegan Loxton



Charlie-Pearl Cram, Sam Inzinger



Hayley Walker



Allan Russell



School Medal



Outstanding Academic Achievement

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Principal's Award Recipients



Academic Excellence in a Subject



Excellent Academic Achievement



High Academic Achievement



Commendable Academic Achievement

# SRC Executive 2019



At the Graduation Ceremony our new SRC executive for 2019 were announced.

Phoebe Austin and Angus Smart are our Captains, Maggie Esdale and Bronte Sweeny are Vice Captains and Ruby Thompson is Prefect.

Congratulations to these students. We look forward to working with you in 2019.

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## Let's Celebrate!



After the official ceremony it was time to celebrate with family, friends and teachers.

A delicious buffet luncheon was served in the garden as our students were congratulated and took time to reflect on their last official day at Woonona High School. Well done!

## Year 12 Breakfast



It was a busy week for our Year 12 students. Apart from the excitement of Graduation Day, the students also enjoyed "Celebration Day", having fun at Lazer Tag. Staff also provided an early morning breakfast for the group with Mr DeMain, Mr Hancock, Mr Bradley and Mr Mete (along with lots of other helpers) providing the hungry students with delicious bacon and egg rolls.

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# Colour Fun Run



On Friday 21 September Year 11 and 12 Woonona High School students held a "Colour Fun Run" in aid of our drought stricken farmers.

It was a perfect day for some fun! Our Year 11 and 12 students started the day with a 5 hour marathon of laps around the school oval before a lunch time BBQ for the whole school.

After lunch the real colour fun began with students from other years joining in for the sea of "colour" that was to become our school oval. Participating students donned white fun run t-shirts and took to the oval where staff were on hand to spray them with fluoro paints, transforming them into a bright sea of colour.

As a school we are donating \$3000 which means we can purchase 44 thousand litres of water and donate over 20 bales of hay to the farmers.

This was an absolutely outstanding effort and many thanks must go to organiser Mr DeMain and his many helpers.

We would like to thank Bakers Delight in Corrimal and Bulli for donating the bread for the sausage sizzle.



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## Well Prepared!



Preparation for the big colour run event was intense and staff surely surprised students at last week's assembly.

After running through an archway made by Year 12 students and to the tune of "Eye of the Tiger", staff took to the stage with colourful pom poms to motivate and enthuse our students to take part in this fundraising adventure.

## A message from our P&C committee:

There will be no P & C Meeting in October as it falls on Tuesday, 16th October which is Day 2 of Term 4.

The next P & C Meeting will therefore be the AGM on the 20th November. We will send a reminder to parents closer to the date. Thank you.

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# Illawarra Mercury: Colour Fun Run



Press from the Illawarra Mercury visited the school and took some amazing photos of our colour fun run. They also published the following article and photos in their paper on Saturday 22 September:

The usual school muck-up day was replaced by a positive event at Woonona High School on Friday.

And it was the state's drought-stricken farmers who benefited most, much to the pleasure of teacher Michael de Main.

Year 11 and 12 Woonona HS students thought better of holding a muck-up day and choose instead to do something positive for the community.

"The good thing is they did something good for their community but also had fun in the process," Mr de Main said.

"We've raised just over \$3000 for our farmers from our Fun Run and Colour Run fundraiser.

"Here on the coast we're surrounded by water but we realise that our farmers are doing it tough at the moment.

"The kids wanted to help out. It really was a great day."

Mr de Main added that while the senior students arranged most of the activities, pretty much all students took part in the day.

"I'd say about 250 kids took part," he said.



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## Woonona High Wolves, League of Legends E – Sports Team



Half way through 2018, 5 budding League of Legends players teamed up to form the first Electronic Sports (E-Sports) team for Woonona High School. Going under the name “Woonona High Wolves”, the team set out to take on opponent’s state wide in the High School League of Legends Australian and New Zealand Championship which is a free national esports competition for Australia and New Zealand High Schools. Each Australian state & territory has its own championship with Woonona High being in the NSW region. The competition consisted of teams from western/northern Sydney, as well as schools from around Newcastle. Woonona High School was the only team from the Illawarra participating.

The Woonona High Wolves team consisted of the following players; Edmond Wong, Jacob Keene (captain), Dean Oldfield, Nathan Fryer and Lachlan White. After each game (win or loss), the team would analyse their tactics and how they could benefit from mistakes which the team encountered via a replay of the match. With the knowledge gained from the replays, the team put new tactics into practice after the competition games and on Wednesday lunch/sport time. With 3 players being completely new to the game, the Wolves finished 5<sup>th</sup> on the table with a 4-2 win/loss record, missing the semi-final by 2 wins. The competition took place on Monday nights at 5pm. Thank you to the boys that participated this year. Also, a big thank you to our principal Ms David and Mr Mete. Your support of the team much appreciated. We will be looking forward to having everyone back next year and we hope to recruit more players to the competition in the future!



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## Unplugged 26

On Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> September we held our 26<sup>th</sup> Unplugged Concert, the final one for 2018. Usually featuring mainly live acoustic music, this Unplugged was a little different to most, as it featured several performances from Year 10 and 11 music assessments including an awesome keytar solo (half guitar/half keyboard) and a drum kit. As it was the last concert for our current Year 12 students, they also entertained us with several HSC pieces and other songs, featuring a ukulele and a 12 string guitar. Thank you to everyone who attended the evening and congratulations to all involved.

Save the date for our annual CAPA Showcase – Variety Night – Tues Dec 18 @ 7pm!



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## Pop Up Shakespeare

For the last few weeks, the world's only full-scale Globe Theatre has called Sydney home. Moore Park has played host to a variety of Shakespearean productions from *Macbeth* to *A Comedy Of Errors*. The concept of the exact replica of the Globe Theatre originated in Auckland, New Zealand by founder Dr Miles Gregory. Over 450,000 audience members have had the privilege of attending a show since its opening in 2016.

Our class has been studying *King of Shadows* by Susan Cooper, which explores the adventures of Nat Field, a young actor who is transported back to the Jacobean era to play Puck in *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. We also read the unabridged Shakespearean play and have been discussing the themes in class and the importance of the Globe Theatre.

We were very excited to see a production of the play, *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. Entering the fantastic atmosphere of the Pop Up Globe was the start of a fascinating journey. The interaction between the audience and the actors was so much fun and we loved the quirky adaptations of the Shakespearean actors we had been studying. While the language remained traditional, the modernised dancing, jokes, and clever inclusion of Maori culture helped to strengthen and shape our understanding of the text.

The Pop Up Globe Theatre has extended their run in Sydney until December 3. According to the English teachers at our school, it is by far the best live performance of Shakespeare they have ever seen. We are very grateful to have had this authentic and unforgettable opportunity.

Nabaa Abed and Madeline Saxby - 8.1 English



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# Mindz Brainplay Incursion



On Thursday, 20 September Miss Cohen's Year 10 Psychology class enjoyed the Mindz Brainplay incursion.

During the Mindz Brainplay session, creator Phil Dye, explained that brainwaves are produced by our neurons, as well as how our neurons communicate with one another.

Students were able to use EEG headsets that monitor different brain waves. The headsets could read where in the brain the student's neurons were firing, and how excited they were.

Students saw how different stimuli, including food, images and mood can effect the sort of brainwaves that are given out. They also saw how the headsets could read the groups of neurons produced by repeated activity, by thinking the same thought or having the same stimulus. In this way, an individual could 'teach' the software to recognise their neuronal activity and therefore 'instruct' the software to act in certain ways. This has many implications for work with prosthetic devices, cars, drones and many other pieces of technology.

Miss Cohen said the incursion was extremely informative and fun for the students.



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## Circus Oz

On Friday, September 28, CAPA students saw Circus Oz at the Merrigong Theatre. This show demonstrated many skills unique to Circus- physical theatre, acrobatics, juggling, balance, German wheel, Chinese poles, silks and fire breathing. All accompanied by live music. The Q and A was informative and we got to know the performers and their process further.

Thank you to Ms Sharp for organising this fantastic excursion.

The show was really great. It gave you a different perspective about society. My favourite circus skill was the tight rope ladder.

Finlay Smart

My favourite was the hola hoop and the man on the really large hoop.

Will Morgan

I was amazed by the acrobatics and the variety of skills each actor had. Their training must be hard and my favourite was also the tight rope.

Tyler Wade



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## Farewell 2018 SRC Executive

On Thursday 21 September our SRC members held a special luncheon to farewell the 2018 senior executive (Captains Elly Moore and Keegan Loxton, and Vice Captains, Charli-Pearl Cram and Sam Inzinger), as they prepare to leave Woonona High School and begin the next stage of their lives. A big thank you for all your hard work and commitment to our school.

We wish you well in your future endeavours.

The 2019 SRC executive was announced at the Year 12 Graduation Ceremony on Thursday.



## Farewell to our Retail Class



As well as graduating from Woonona High School last week, our Year 12 Retail class got a special send off from Retail teacher Miss Cohen. She had prepared a graduation gift of cake jars complete with the graduation caps and school emblem!

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# CANTEEN PRICE LIST (August 2018)

<b>SANDWICHES, ROLLS &amp; WRAPS</b>						<b>HOT FOOD</b>	
Available Wholemeal, White or Multi-Grain						CHEESE & VEGEMITE SCROLLS	\$ 1.00
VEGEMITE	\$ 3.00			SM	\$ 2.00	FULL GARLIC BREAD	\$ 1.00
CHEESE	\$ 2.00			LG	\$ 4.00	SAUSAGE ROLL	\$ 3.00
CHEESE & TOMATO	\$ 2.50			SM	\$ 4.00	MEAT PIE	\$ 3.50
CHICKEN, LETTUCE & MAYO	\$ 4.00			LG	\$ 6.00	CHICKEN GOUJONS (4 FINGERS)	\$ 2.00
EGG & LETTUCE	\$ 3.00			SM	\$ 4.00	CHEESE & SPINACH ROLLS	\$ 3.50
HAM	\$ 2.00			LG	\$ 6.00	SWEET CHILLI, CHEESE & CHICKEN W	\$ 4.00
HAM SALAD	\$ 4.00			SM	\$ 4.00	CHICKEN GOUJONS & WEDGES	\$ 4.00
CHICKEN	\$ 3.50			LG	\$ 6.00	POTATO WEDGES	\$ 2.00
CHICKEN SALAD	\$ 4.00			SM	\$ 4.00	ASSORTED CURRIES	\$ 5.00
SALAD	\$ 3.50			LG	\$ 6.00	HASHBROWNS	\$ 1.00
HAM, CHEESE & TOMATO	\$ 3.00					TOASTED CHEESE SANDWICH	\$ 2.00
<b>BURGERS</b>						TOASTED HAM & CHEESE SANDWICH	\$ 2.50
CHEESEBURGER	\$ 4.50					<b>DRINKS</b>	
HAMBURGER	\$ 4.50					WATER	\$ 2.00
CHICKEN SCHNITZEL BURGER	\$ 4.50					MILKSHAKES	\$ 2.00
<b>EXTRAS</b>						MOOVE 300ml	\$ 2.50
SAUCES: TOMATO OR SWEET CHILLI	\$ 0.20					DARE ICED COFFEE'S 300ml	\$ 2.50
CUTLERY: FORK OR SPOON	\$ 0.10					UP & GO'S 250ml	\$ 2.00
<b>TURKISH BREADS</b>						ASSORTED POPPERS	\$ 1.00
HAM, CHEESE & TOMATO	\$ 4.00					BERRI JUICES	\$ 2.50
AVO, CHICKEN, CHEESE & F/MUSTAR	\$ 4.00					WATERFORD MINERAL WATER	\$ 2.00
AVO, CHICKEN, CHEESE, BACON & MA	\$ 4.00					KYNETON MINERAL WATER	\$ 2.50
<b>PLEASE PLACE ORDERS FOR RECESS AND LUNCH BEFORE SCHOOL WHEN POSSIBLE</b>						<b>TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT PIES</b>	
						<b>MUST BE ORDERED</b>	
						<b>BEFORE SCHOOL</b>	
						<b>AS OF 27 AUGUST 2018</b>	

# Term Calendar

Date	Title
12/10/2018	Russell Vale Sports Coaching Volunteering program
18/10/2018	HSC Exams
19/10/2018	Russell Vale Sports Coaching Volunteering program
19/10/2018	Yr 10 Geography Field Work
29/10/2018	Year 10 Excursion/ Assessment Free Week
29/10/2018	Year 5 Sample Lesson Day
31/10/2018	Yr 11 into 12 INFO EVENING & raising Achievement Workshops
2/11/2018	Halogen Young Leaders Day (Captains)
5/11/2018	Year 10 Yearly Exams
8/11/2018	Year 7 Enrichment Class 2019 Day
8/11/2018	Wright/Sim Shield
8/11/2018	Year 7 CAPA Enrichment Class 2019 Day
12/11/2018	ISER Performing Ensemble Tour - 4 students
12/11/2018	Remembrance Day Assembly
14/11/2018	Year 12 Formal
15/11/2018	Forensic Science Incursion Year 8 CSI
20/11/2018	Zone Blues Presentation
20/11/2018	P&C Meeting / AGM
21/11/2018	Peer Support Training
26/11/2018	CAPA Camp - Nowra
27/11/2018	Year 6 Information Evening
30/11/2018	Peer Support (Stanwell Tops) Yr 9
3/12/2018	Student Clearance
3/12/2018	Stage 4 Assembly
4/12/2018	Student Clearance
4/12/2018	Year 6 Orientation Day
6/12/2018	Presentation Evening
7/12/2018	Student Clearance
7/12/2018	Gold Rewards Excursion
10/12/2018	Yr 10 Hike
11/12/2018	Yr 10 Hike
14/12/2018	Proposed Activities 'Week'
14/12/2018	Year 11 Study Day
15/12/2018	Proposed Activities 'Week'
15/12/2018	Year 11 Study Day
16/12/2018	Proposed Activities 'Week'
16/12/2018	Year 11 Study Day
17/12/2018	Proposed Activities 'Week'
17/12/2018	Year 11 Study Day
18/12/2018	Proposed Activities 'Week'
18/12/2018	Year 11 Study Day
18/12/2018	Variety Night 7pm in Hall - CAPA Staff
19/12/2018	HSC Students Morning Tea





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Free 2HR workshop for parents and supervisors of learner drivers. Accompanied learner drivers welcome.

Workshops are held by Wollongong City, Shellharbour City and Kiama councils.

To help you with practical advice about:

- Supervising learner drivers
- Completing the learner driver log book
- Providing on road driver practise
- L & P Plate licence laws

Workshops are held from 6pm – 8pm

Bookings are essential

Please contact Council for a suitable workshop

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2018

30	July	Shellharbour
15	August	Kiama
11	September	Wollongong
5	November	Shellharbour
11	December	Wollongong

2019

11	February	Shellharbour
12	March	Wollongong
17	April	Kiama
27	May	Shellharbour
4	June	Wollongong

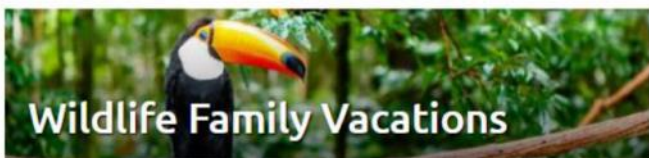


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