

# WOONONA high school *Newsletter*



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# Calendar

Mon 21— Fri 25 Nov	Year 10 Work Experience
Mon 21— Wed 23 Nov	CAPA Camp
Mon 21 — 25 Fri Nov	Year 12 Metals & Engineering Work Placement
Mon 21—Tues 22 Nov	Year 9 Leadership Hike
Tues 22 Nov	Year 6 Parent Information Night
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Thur 1 Dec	Forensic Science Incursion
Fri 2 Dec	Year 7—10 Gold Rewards Excursion



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# Principal's Report

## External Validation

The Department of Education has introduced an external validation process for all public schools. Schools are required to participate in the external validation process once every five years but undertake their own internal validation each year.

In essence the process is to assess each school's progress towards improving student learning outcomes, achieving the milestones as set down by their school plan and the provision of evidence (including both internal and external evidence) to support each school's judgement.

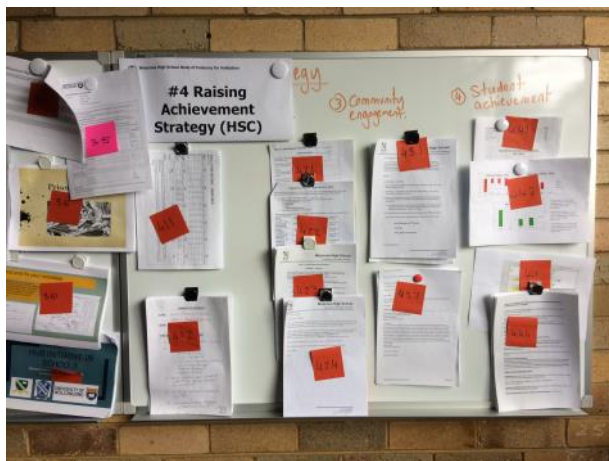
The department's Leading and High Performance Directorate developed a School Excellence Framework that allows each school to determine whether they are; *working toward delivering, delivering, sustaining and growing or excelling* against 14 different elements. The elements sit under the domains of Learning, Teaching and Leading.

Woonona High School was chosen to undertake External Validation this year. Throughout term 3 we began compiling our evidence; a range of internal and external data including but not limited to NAPLAN, HSC, internal school assessment data, post school destinations, reading achievement levels, new curriculum, attendance, Tell Them From Me survey information, information from focus group discussions with students, parent responses to surveys and evaluations, teacher professional learning and financial and resourcing data. This was a very comprehensive process that was led by a team; Ms Watt, Mrs Matthews, Ms Packer, Dr McKenzie, Mr Wilson, Mr Rayner, Ms Montague and I.

The validation process is undertaken by Principals external to our school and district. After considering each of our 8 evidence sets, all external data and a conversation with each of the team members the peer Principals determined that Woonona High School is a "**high performing school that is excelling**".

This is a wonderful affirmation of the strategic and considered changes undertaken by Woonona High School, the innovation and challenge we have set for ourselves and our students, the absolute dedication and commitment of our world class teachers, the support and engagement of our parent community and the unrelenting focus that students are at the heart of what we do each and every day.

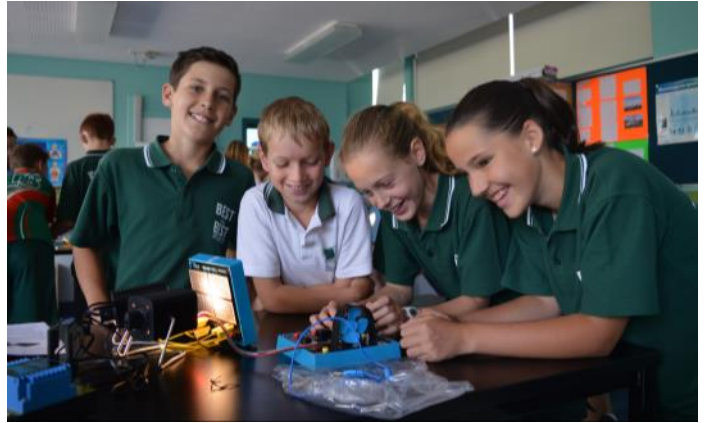
Congratulations everyone.



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# Enrichment Day



On Thursday November 10<sup>th</sup> Woonona High School welcomed the 2017 Year 7 Enrichment class for a day where the emphasis was not just on learning but on making connections with new classmates. The Year 6 students were greeted by a very enthusiastic team of Year 9 students, who immediately set about creating a “sharing circle” and a skipping challenge. Following a welcome to the school from Ms Wall, students set off to build their own wind turbines in Science. Once they had become energy creators, they headed off to Maths to dabble in more of Mr Holliday’s “mathematical wizardry” before Ms Matthews encouraged their inner poet to run free. The day concluded with a rigorous game of dodgeball with Ms Potter, after which parents were greeted by many an exhausted but happy face.

New friendships were forged in a terrific spirit of collaboration, with spontaneous lunchtime circles forming and handball competitions aplenty! It was wonderful to see the ease with which students from a diverse range of schools worked and played together. The maturity that all students displayed was remarked upon by many of their teachers. They have already made a fabulous start to their journey at Woonona High School and we look forward to welcoming them back on Orientation Day with the entire 2017 Year 7 cohort in December.



Thank you to Ms So, Ms Matthews, Mr Holliday and Ms Potter for delivering many enjoyable activities. Our Year 9 hosts – Phoebe Austin, Ruby Burden-Hill, Ella Dunn and Zara Sharman – did an outstanding job and made our visitors feel at ease and very welcome. Thank you!

Dr Sarah McKenzie

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# Year 10 Leadership Hike

This week Year 10 students took part in a leadership hike from Otford to Bundeena. Students travelled by train to Otford and then hiked to Bundeena.

According to students the hike was tough but they all enjoyed the challenge and were very lucky because it didn't rain (or should we say pour) until the tents were set up.

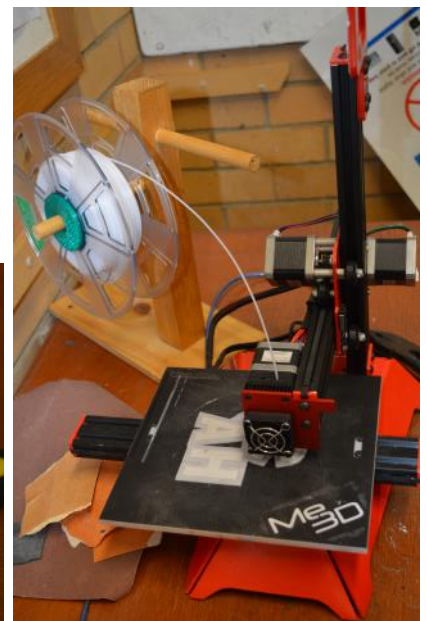
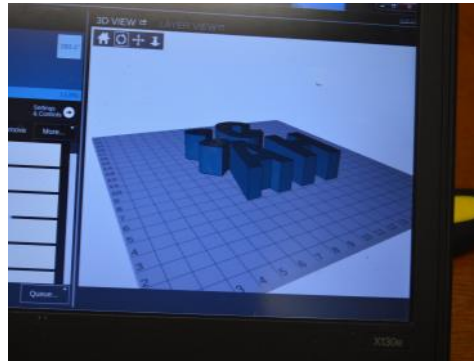
The teachers who accompanied the students, Mr Wilson, Mr Gilbert, Miss Walker and Miss Somerville also enjoyed the hike and said that the students applied themselves enthusiastically to challenges that they faced.

The aim of the hike was to build confidence, trust and friendship amongst the students, all attributes that are required for good leadership.



## Amazing Technology

Today on a visit to the TAS staff room one of the faculties 3D printers was in action. The equipment is amazing and as Year 7 Technology student Camryn Aston explained, the machine was printing out her design for a door label that she had completed in class. Camryn said that in the Technology class they had used computers to design the labels and the 3D printer was now making an exact replica of her 3D design. Amazing technology!



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# Remembrance Day Assembly



On Remembrance Day, the 11th of November, we had a whole school assembly to pay our respects to those who lost their lives in the line of duty for our country.

Conor Johnson, Jack Taylor, Phoebe Austin, Kaia Briennan and myself spoke about the history of the day, and what it is commemorating, as well as the meaning of the poppy, the armistice and the Flanders Fields poem was read by Phoebe. Students learnt that the reason as to why we celebrate on this day in particular is because World War II formally ended "at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month" in 1918.

The speeches were followed with a minute silence to commemorate remember all that have died for our country. I'm sure that all students gained a new appreciation for those involved in wars around the globe.

Report from Elle Moore



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# Peer Support



Over half of all Year 9 students signed up to be leaders in Woonona High School's Peer Support Program. The training was completed on Monday the 14th and Tuesday the 15th of November at Woonona Surf Life Saving Club.

Students learnt the importance of being an assertive leader and gained confidence within themselves. Year 9 valued their experiences being part of the program when they entered Woonona High School back in 2014 and were keen to instil upon the new Year 7 students of 2017 a wonderful beginning.

All students showed a great ability to work together in various groups and situations. Peer Support is a program that not only helps the new students make friends and gain confidence, but also a chance for the older students to become mentors and develop their own sense of well being. Congratulations to all students who attended the two days training. On Monday the 5th December, those students have the chance to attend Stanwell Tops to further develop their team work skills before

Orientation Day.

Mr de Main (Year 9 Year Adviser)

Jorgia Camilleri - Year 9

The two days training for Peer Support down at Woonona Surf Club was great! I really enjoyed it and learnt a lot about what it takes to be a leader. It was fun socialising with my peers that I wouldn't usually socialise with. I felt like it was really effective and eye opening to know the qualities and skills it takes to be a leader. Some key concepts we learnt about included working as a group and using effective communication and cooperation skills to achieve challenges.



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# Legal Studies Excursion

On Thursday, the 10<sup>th</sup> of November, the Year 11 Legal Studies class departed from Woonona train station to make our way up to Sydney for an overnight excursion. We are currently studying the 'crime' unit of the Legal Studies syllabus, so it was only fit that we visited the Police and Justice Museum, NSW Parliament, and the Supreme and Darlinghurst Courthouses.

The first site we visited was the Police and Justice Museum. This was a fun and insightful experience, as we learnt about the 'Pyjama Girl' case, which occurred in 1933. This case was the first ever Australian homicide to be made into a movie by Trade Enterprises film, and in collaboration with the NSW Police Force. We finished this with a mock police trial using the old courtroom and authentic robes and wigs as worn in the judicial system.

We then visited the NSW Parliament, where we met our member for Keira; Ryan Park. He took us for a private tour of the NSW Parliament and informed us of its rich history. Our class were then invited to observe question time. In this process, the opposition is allowed to ask ten questions about policy the elected government currently applies. That night, we walked to Chinatown and had dinner and dessert.

On Friday, we watched a sentencing hearing at the Supreme Court. We then watched a trial in process at Darlinghurst Court, complete with a 12 person jury. The offender was being cross examined by the prosecuting barrister. It was interesting to see what we have been learning about in action!

Overall, this excursion was very educational and allowed the Year 11 legal studies class to be able to attain a deeper understanding of how the HSC syllabus applies to the Australian legal system. The Year 11 legal studies would firstly like to thank Woonona High School for allowing us to participate in this excursion. Secondly, to the Police and Justice Museum, the NSW Parliament and the Supreme and Darlinghurst Court for allowing us to visit. Thirdly, to the Youth Hostel in Central for enabling us to stay there. Lastly, to our legal studies teacher; Ms Mellor for organising and looking after us.

Mrs Mellor would like to thank the girls for conducting themselves in a polite and enthusiastic manner at every venue. As ambassadors for the school, their behaviour was exemplary at all times.



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# University of Wollongong Engineering Studies Day



On the 2<sup>nd</sup> of November the Year 11 Engineering Studies class attended the University of Wollongong Engineering Studies day. During the day the students took part in a number of workshops aimed at giving students exposure to the different fields of engineering that can be studied at the university. The workshops included motor sports, mechanical, civil, mechatronics, electrical, environmental, and mining and materials testing.

Pictures above are Woonona High School Year 11 Engineering Studies class with Dr Bob Wheway from the University of Wollongong and Students taking part in the materials testing workshop.

Mr Zubovic (Acting Head Teacher TAS)

## Thank You Woonona Bulli RSL Club

Students who took part in the Year 10 hike last week (see page 5) were lucky enough to go away fully prepared with tents, cooking equipment, and back packs. Money for all of these resources was donated to our school by the Woonona Bulli RSL club which has regularly supported our school over the years. 15 tents, 15 cookers and 30 back packs were purchased with the money donated. Thank you Woonona Bulli RSL our students appreciate it very much.



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# Year 8 Recycling Program

At assembly this week, Ms Matthews presented Year 8 students Phillip Pecipajkovski, Jake Hutton and Thura Sabba (away on the day) with certificates for the Leadership of the Year 8 Recycling Program.

In Year 8 English we ask all students to present a speech on a sustainability issue. This year, to make it more authentic, we asked them to suggest a solution to an issue within our local environment or school. They also created a flyer to promote their idea.

Jack Hutton, Philip Pecipajkovski and Thura Sabbar all did excellent speeches suggesting that we introduce a recycling program within the school. They also stepped up and volunteered to actually make this happen!

The students took the initiative to implement this within the school so that paper is being recycled from every classroom and staffroom once a week.

To do this they - approached the staff and asked for their support (via email) and checked with the school leadership; They come to the English staffroom every Friday and write up a roster of Year 8 students who have volunteered to get involved; They ensure that every classroom and staffroom has a recycling box and they replace these if they get lost / recycled.

Ms Johnstone entered this program into the ATLAS youth leadership award and they were short-listed for this NATIONAL prize.

Woonona High School was given tickets to the Halogen IMAGINATION conference in Sydney and Ms Johnstone and our SRC executive Bronte Petrolo and Jay Archer will be attending next week.



## AUSTRALIA'S TEAM LEADERSHIP AWARD FOR STUDENTS

Woonona High School



halogen



### Alex Malley FCPA

This initiative is a great example of how proactivity and leading from the front can make a positive difference. By placing best-practice disciplines and accountability at the core of their initiative, they have delivered an effective, positive and sustainable program for their school.

### Dr Susan Carland

The thing I loved most of all about this entire project wasn't the environmental impact or that a whole year level is involved; it's that this entire project is run without teacher involvement. That is truly remarkable. That this occurred from beginning to end as entirely student-run is a credit to all the students, and I love that you are inclusive of a broad range of students, including beyond the standard "super-active, super-involved" students. Of all the projects I read about, yours is the one I reflected on the most, and while the reach may have been smaller than some of the other projects, the dedication and leadership of the students impressed me the most. Congratulations!



### Dr Alan Duffy

A laudable effort by year 8 students to (self-) coordinate and undertake a recycling effort. This is a wonderful example of a grassroots project that makes a real difference to the local community. I hope that the success in increasing paper recycling has only led the students to think bigger! They've shown themselves and school that you don't have to wait on someone else to lead, you can make the difference yourself.

### Tanya Orman

The project empowered the students to make change for good and has provided life skills that go beyond the ambition of sustainability. The school and its students are to be commended for the project that shows any action to improve the environment, no matter the size will have a lasting impact.



### Daniel Flynn

I love that three students have taken such incredible initiative. They're rostering on their peers - are they leading them and educating them along the way or running a program? Would be great to see/hear how it's expanding within the school and effecting lasting change.



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## Stage 4 Accelerated Reader Program

All year 7 and 8 students have had targets set for the Accelerated Reader Program. This week Ms Roddis and I were proud to present literacy awards to the first students who have not only met, but exceeded, the target set for them. These students received a certificate and a canteen voucher to reward them for their outstanding efforts: Jocelyn Bray, Ben Cracknell, Emma Guerrieri-Cortesi, Tiana Mackay, James McLachlan, Amara Prentice, Byron Roberts, Emily Steele and Jasmine Wood. We look forward to presenting more students with awards in the weeks to come.

Parents can support their child's reading progress from home by going to the website <https://auhosted3.renlearn.com.au/1480637/default.aspx> and logging in using your child's login and password. You can not only see their results on accelerated reader quizzes, but also help them choose books using the AR Bookfinder. There is also an option to receive email alerts when your child completes a quiz.

Ms S Johnstone (Literacy Co-ordinator)

## Victory Chang School Science Awards

Senior student Jay Archer topped off an amazing year by being presented with the prestigious Victor Chang School Science Award at a ceremony held at Figtree high School on Tuesday 8 November. Ms Wall and Jay's parents attended the awards ceremony.

Teachers nominate students for the award based on their achievement in scientific studies throughout the year. Jay will now have the opportunity to visit the institute and liaise with researchers at the victor Chang Institute.

Well done Jay!



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# Madelina Camilleri has WON the Illawarra Mercury Design an Ad Competition.

Madelina designed an ad for the local business Woonona Medical Practice. Her entry was selected as the best design across all secondary schools in the Illawarra. Madelina and her sister Jorga have both experienced success in this competition - Maddy placed third last year and her sister Jorga was the winner in 2014. We are so lucky to have such talent at our school.

Madelina will receive a \$700 cheque from the Illawarra Mercury at an upcoming school assembly for first prize. In the meantime she will be undertaking work experience in our school Art Faculty, focusing on her illustration and graphic design skills for local businesses.

Below is the published interview Madelina did with The Illawarra Mercury.

## 1. Why did you enter the Design An Ad competition?

I have entered the Illawarra Mercury's Design An Ad competition for the past three years in a row. I have really enjoyed the challenge each year. I love art and expressing my creativity through opportunities like this.

## 2. What inspired your design?

I was inspired by the design brief and focused on Woonona Medical Practice being a friendly and family orientated business. I created a design showing a helpful doctor comforting a young adolescent. I also looked over the Woonona Medical Practice website and was influenced by the colours of their business and their logo. I incorporated these greens and blues into my design.

## 3. What did you enjoy about the competition?

I enjoyed researching the background to the business I was given and then finding new ways to incorporate those ideas into my art. My design skills were also challenged, especially when trying to draw human figures and being creative with the placement of text and colour in my design.

## 4. What do you hope to do when you finish school?

At the moment my favourite subjects in school are English and Art. I would really love to pursue a career in something creative such as Advertising or Illustration and Graphic Design.

Mrs Whiddon (English Teacher)



## "Hackathon"

Last week at assembly ex Woonona High School student, Brennan Hatton spoke at assembly about his career in IT, and the "Hackathon" that he will be running here at Woonona High School during activities week.

In this Hackathon students who are IT enthusiasts will gather to share virtual reality experiences, activities and knowledge.

If you are interested in this great activity see Mr chamberlain in the Careers office.

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# Metal Work



Students in Mr Andersons Metal Work class have been busy working on metal screens that will be displayed on the terraces in the main quad area once they are finished.

Miss Bramley (Visual Art Teacher) drew the designs and students have been using a plasma cutter to cut out the designs.

The screens are looking spectacular and very professional. We look forward to seeing the finished screens which will undoubtedly further beautify our school.



## Well Done Boys!

Congratulations to the Year 9 Woodwork class. This week they were working so diligently that the casual teacher that was looking after them for the day asked us to take some photos. Students were very engrossed working on their projects (which are looking very good), and the atmosphere in the room was very relaxed and friendly. Hopefully we will get some photos once the projects are finished.

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## Elevate Leadership Conference

On Thursday 3 November, three of our senior executive SRC members, Bronte Petrolo, Conor Johnson and myself, travelled to the University of Wollongong to attend the final day of the Elevate Program.

The Elevate program is a three day program that runs throughout the year focussing on leadership.

The final day was about “creating change”, where students learnt how to enact change. The day included presentations from motivational speakers and a scavenger hunt around the university. The day was great fun for the participants as well as being very informative.

Report by Rachel Pollock



## Deadly Encouragement Awards

On Thursday 10 November Ms Wall and Miss Potter attended the 2016 Deadly Encouragement Awards celebrating the achievements of ATSI students within the Northern Illawarra. Zac Newton and Jasmin Wilson received awards for their hard work throughout 2016 and Jack Taylor along with other Year 12 students were recognised for completing the HSC!



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# Plovers Make Themselves at Home



A pair of Plovers have made themselves at home on the terraces near the main quad and at assembly last week Mr Brophy made special mention of the birds and stressed that for the birds sake it is important that we let them nest in peace. Plovers, traditionally known as quite aggressive birds, have been known to attack people and students were asked to avoid this area during the nesting phase.

The Wires website indicates that Plovers are very protective of their nests and chicks, particularly after the chicks have hatched. Adults will dive on intruders, use loud noises and swooping or act as though they have a broken wing in an attempt to lure the intruder away from the nest. This behaviour is mostly bluff and actual contact attacks are rare. Regardless, it is this fearlessly protective nature that brings them into conflict with people.

## November

At assembly this week Mr Mucci reminded students of the importance of “Movember” in raising awareness for men’s health both physical and mental. Mr Mucci, himself sporting the beginnings of a magnificent moustache gave the students tips on how to grow a “proper” moustache.



He mentioned that the “personality” of the moustache was very important as you would have to like the personality it was portraying (and give several funny examples). He also mentioned that regular grooming with shampoo and conditioner as well as good nutrition would all help to keep the moustaches going.

Mr Mucci said the students could take tips from other moustache growers (he particularly mentioned Mr Rayner) when trimming their growth.

It was a light hearted address to the assembly to encourage our students to become involved and it will be interesting to see the results in next fortnights newsletter.

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## Senior Boys Oz Tag



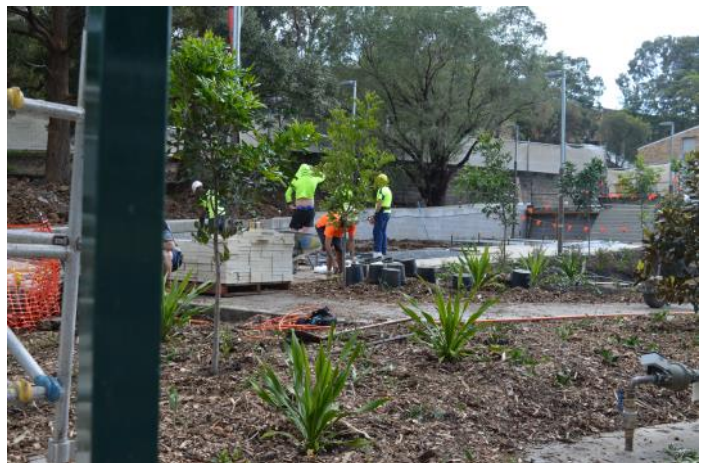
Last week at assembly Mr McDermott presented our Senior Boys Oz Tag team with medals for their success in this years competition. Well done!



## Another Renovation Update

This last fortnight hundreds beautiful plants have been planted and overhead walkway covers erected. Furniture for the new front office has been delivered and plastering and painting of the hallways have been completed.

It won't be long until students, staff and visitors to the school will be able to enjoy this amazing space.



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# CAPA Camp and Variety Night

On Monday the 21<sup>st</sup> to Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November, 50 students from Year 7-11 at Woonona High School will be attending a Creative and Performing Arts Camp at the Waterslea Centre in Nowra. The aim of this camp is to build new skills and form different ensembles as students begin preparing for our annual Performing Arts showcase, Variety Night. The students will participate in vocal, dance, drama, instrumental and art workshops across the three days. The workshops are run by Woonona HS staff and outside tutors, including some of our talented ex-students who are coming back to help.

Much of the work completed at these workshops and at school will be showcased at Variety Night. This year, Variety Night will be held on Monday the 12<sup>th</sup> of December at 7pm in the Woonona High School Hall. This year's theme is "Live Loud" and the concert will feature our talented musicians, singers, actors, dancers and circus performers from Years 7-12.

Tickets available at the door - adults are \$10, children are \$5 and a family of 4 is \$25.

The Visual Art students who attend camp will be working on a poster so look out for it and lots of photos from camp in the next newsletter. We hope you will all come along to Variety Night to support the wonderful talent we have at Woonona.

Miss R Sharp  
Music Teacher



## Surfers!

*Help out at our 24th*



## Thirroul Beach "Hands on Day"

*Run by the South Coast Branch of the DSA for the Region's Disabled Participants with the assistance of surfers, local schools and the general public*

**WHEN :** Saturday 26th November 2016, 9am - 1pm. BBQ lunch is free to all registered attendees.

**WHERE?** Thirroul Beach – 9am sign-in on the grassed area on the southern end of the Thirroul Ocean Pool.

**COST?** **\$10** for participants, free to all volunteers, family members and supporters. BBQ lunch provided.



Taj Burrow says –  
"What's your problem? Give them a hand – I always do whenever I'm at home – sweet!"

**Other South Coast events this season:**

**Mollymook Sat 12<sup>th</sup> Nov 2016; Gerroa Sun 26<sup>th</sup> March 2017**

**Don't forget the National Event at Collaroy Sat 25<sup>th</sup> Feb 2017**



For all other 15 branches' timetable of events check out [www.disabledsurfers.org](http://www.disabledsurfers.org)



For more info contact Ian on 0421601222, Terry on 0402553984 or Sandra on 0402 806622

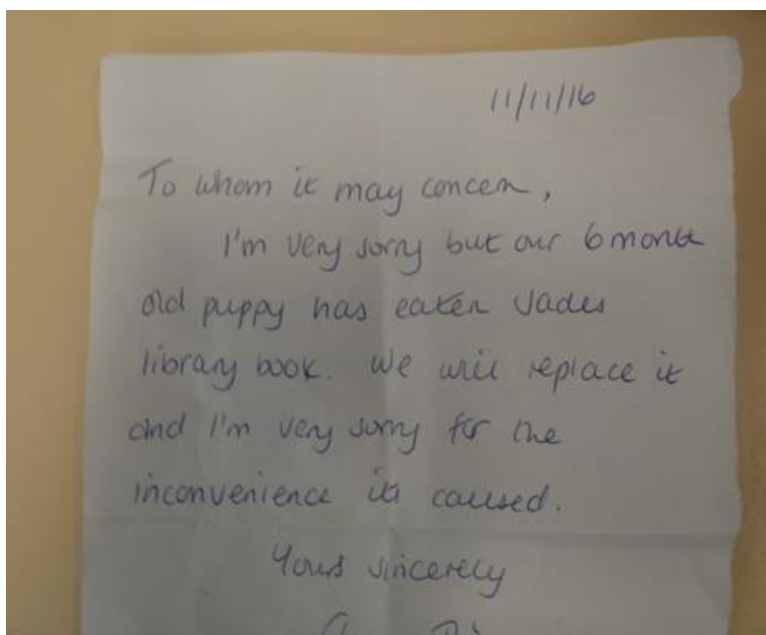
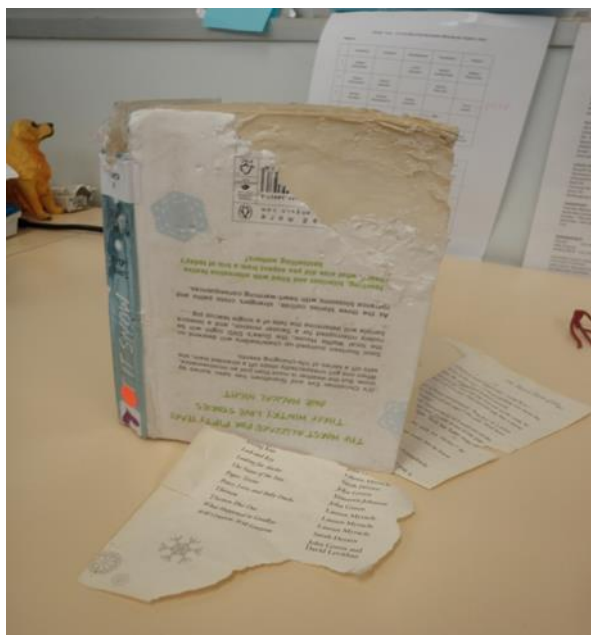
**\*\*All participants receive a surfing medallion on the day\*\***

**"Smiles On Dials"**

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## Humour in the Library



## The dog ate my library book.....

This book was recently returned to us with the accompanied, very apologetic letter. Names will remain anonymous to protect the innocent.

Hey, we understand! These things happen to us, too and we did have a good chuckle. You do have to pay for lost or damaged library materials, of course, but don't be embarrassed. We appreciate when students let us know up-front about damages, as this student did.

## Student Contact Details

A reminder to parents and carers that if your contact details change in any way, could you please let us know.

Contact details include, home phone, mobile and work phone numbers, address and email addresses. We would also like to know if emergency contact details for your child change.

Your contact phone numbers are very important. If your child is ill, if a teacher needs to contact you or even if your child comes to the office wishing to contact you, we need to have up to date information.

Email addresses are such an important way for us to communicate with you. Student Monitoring results are emailed to parents, important notifications and / or changes to school organisation are emailed. Unexplained student absences are also emailed each week and the newsletter is emailed fortnightly.

If your details have changed please phone the school or have your child pick up a "Change of Details" form from the front office.

Mr Rayner  
Head Teacher welfare



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# End of Year Activities

On Tuesday 13th, Wednesday 14th and Thursday 15th of December our school offers "End of Year Activities" for all students. Normal classes will not operate but all students have the opportunity to attend various activities. Some of the activities will be free and some will require a cost as an outside provider will run the course. Some of the activities being offered this year are:- computer games, indoor soccer, xmas card making, xmas decorations, Italian cooking, hand ball, table tennis, movies, manga club, surfari, beach walk and games, board game, robotics, rock and roll classes, bike ride and swim, surf contest, music skills, Monster Skate Park visit, Aladdin and Wet and Wild excursions. Students will have the opportunity to choose 3 activities (one for each day, except if the activity is an overnight excursion) in the next 2 weeks. Please discuss with your child the activities that they may be interested in.

Marg Sim

Sports organiser



## Careers News

### TAFE Illawarra

FREE Short Courses

TAFE are currently enrolling students for upcoming short courses. Applicants must be over fifteen years old and have left school. This makes anybody completing their HSC prior to the course beginning eligible. Current course offerings including RSA and RCG courses can be found at this link;

<http://www.illawarra.tafensw.edu.au/business-and-employers/fast-track-training> eligible.

And ...

The following fee free courses will be **advertised shortly** - The offers are being created over the next week. All offers will start early to mid-November.

- Introduction to Drawing
- Introduction to Painting
- Introduction to Photo Imaging
- Introduction to Interactive Game Design with GameMakerStudio
- Introduction to Film and TV
- Introduction to Media and Communication
- Introduction to Sound Production

### TAFE Choices Day

#### Why wait to change your life?

Whether you're finishing school, updating your skills or changing careers, we have hundreds of exciting courses designed to give you the skills, knowledge and confidence to achieve your goals. So why wait to start chasing your career dreams?

It's time to start exploring your study options for 2017 - so to help with your journey, we're opening our doors for **Choices Day** on **Saturday 3 December, 9am to 1pm** at our campuses below.

#### What can I do at Choices Day?

Find out what courses you can study in Semester 1, 2017

Seek advice on the best course for your career goals from our expert team

Find out if you're eligible to study for FREE, with a [Fee-Free Scholarship](#)

See if you can get qualified faster and at a cheaper cost with [Recognition](#)

Pick up a copy of our [Career Guide](#)

Learn how you can study now, pay later with [VET-FEE HELP](#) and [FEE-HELP](#) student loans

Experience live, hands-on demonstrations at our Wollongong campus

Gain assistance with the application process

Get help creating your [USI \(Unique Student Identifier\)](#), which you need before enrolling

[Find a Choices Day near you \(continued next page\)](#)



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Date	Campus
<b>NORTHERN DISTRICT</b>	
Saturday 3 December 2016	<a href="#">Wollongong</a> (including courses at Dapto, Shellharbour, Wollongong West and Yallah)
<b>HIGHLANDS DISTRICT</b>	
Saturday 3 December 2016	<a href="#">Cooma</a>
Saturday 3 December 2016	<a href="#">Goulburn</a>
Saturday 3 December 2016	<a href="#">Moss Vale</a>
Saturday 3 December 2016	<a href="#">Queanbeyan</a>
Saturday 3 December 2016	<a href="#">Yass</a>
<b>SOUTH COAST DISTRICT</b>	
Saturday 3 December 2016	<a href="#">Bega</a>
Saturday 3 December 2016	<a href="#">Moruya</a>
Saturday 3 December 2016	<a href="#">Nowra</a>
Saturday 3 December 2016	<a href="#">Ulladulla</a>

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Mon 21 — 25 Nov	Metals & Engineering Work Placement
Mon 21—Tues 22	Year 9 Leadership Hike
Tues 22 Nov	Year 6 Parent Information Night
Fri 25 Nov	Schools Spectacular
28 Nov—Fri 2 Dec	Year 12 Construction Work Placement
Mon 28 Nov S	Sydney Dance Company Workshop
Thur 1 Dec	Forensic Science Incursion
Fri 2 Dec	Year 7—10 Gold Rewards Excursion
Tue 6 Dec	Orientation Day
Tues 8 Dec	Annual Presentation Evening
Tues 8 Dec	Zone Blues Ceremony
Mon 12 Dec	Variety Night
Wed 14 Dec	Alladin
Fri 16 Dec	Year 12 ATAR Morning Tea
Fri 16 Dec	Last day for students for 2016

## Canteen Roster

Monday, 21 November 2016	HELP NEEDED
Tuesday, 22 November 2016	KERRIE AUSTIN
Wednesday, 23 November 2016	HELP NEEDED
Thursday, 24 November 2016	DONNA THOMPSON
Friday, 25 November 2016	HELP NEEDED
Monday, 28 November 2016	HELP NEEDED
Tuesday, 29 November 2016	JANECE PENDER
Wednesday, 30 November 2016	HELP NEEDED
Thursday, 1 December 2016	JANELLE TE PARIRI
Friday, 2 December 2016	ANGELA MADDEN
Monday, 5 December 2016	GABI JAMES
Tuesday, 6 December 2016	JANECE PENDER
Wednesday, 7 December 2016	HELP NEEDED
Thursday, 8 December 2016	HELP NEEDED
Friday, 9 December 2016	HELP NEEDED



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**WHERE?**

Nan Tien Temple  
180 Berkeley Rd,  
Berkeley NSW 2506 Australia

**WHEN?**

15<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> January, 2017

**WHO?**

university / college students  
or recent graduates  
aged between 18 – 35  
with an interest in  
experiencing authentic  
Chinese Buddhist  
monastic life

**APPLY:**

<http://nantien.org.au/en/bmr>

[info@nantien.org.au](mailto:info@nantien.org.au)

**WHY?**

A journey of  
self-exploration  
to learn and practice  
the art of mindful living -  
living Ch'an.

**WHAT?**

Monastic Life  
Buddhist Studies  
Chanting  
Culture Classes  
Discussion  
Intensive Meditation  
Pilgrimage

**HOW MUCH?**

\$20  
(Laundry Fee)

## 2017 NAN TIEN BUDDHIST MONASTIC RETREAT

AN OPPORTUNITY FOR LAYPEOPLE TO EXPERIENCE  
AUTHENTIC MONASTIC LIFE.



### 2017 GIRLS U10, U12, U14 & U16 League Tag 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary 1957-2017



#### ARE YOU INTERESTED IN PLAYING GIRLS LEAGUETAG?

U10, U12, U14 & U16 PLAYERS WANTED TO FOR LEAGUETAG FOR  
THE WOONONA BUSHRANGERS DURING 2017 (Ages 8 to 16)

To Register, Go To: [playnrl.com.au/register](http://playnrl.com.au/register)

Please contact Sarah Crimston on 0402271975 or [registrar@woononajrffc.org.au](mailto:registrar@woononajrffc.org.au)

#### EARLY BIRD SPECIAL

Register & Pay  
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10/11 to 31/12  
2016  
For ONLY \$50





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# PUBLIC INFORMATION SESSION

## LIVE AND STUDY OVERSEAS IN 2016!

JOIN SOUTHERN CROSS  
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**FREE INFORMATION SESSION.**  
LEARN ABOUT HOW YOU CAN  
BECOME AN EXCHANGE  
STUDENT, THE MANY  
DESTINATIONS WE OFFER, THE  
HOST FAMILIES YOU LIVE WITH  
AND GET TO KNOW THE STAFF  
WHO MAKE IT ALL HAPPEN!

### **SYDNEY**

#### **Dates:**

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> October  
Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> November

#### **Location:**

Lane Cove Library  
Library Walk, Lane Cove, NSW

Start: 7pm



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INTERNATIONAL STUDENT  
EXCHANGE PROGRAMS  
[www.scce.com.au](http://www.scce.com.au) 1800 500 501

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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

### Wollongong

4227 7111

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### Shellharbour

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### Kiama

4232 0444

[council@kiama.nsw.gov.au](mailto:council@kiama.nsw.gov.au)

2016

July	25	Shellharbour
August	24	Kiama
September	6	Wollongong
October	19	Kiama
November	7	Shellharbour
December	6	Wollongong

2017

February	13	Shellharbour
March	7	Wollongong
April	26	Kiama
May	22	Shellharbour
June	6	Wollongong



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## DO YOU HAVE YOUR L'S?

**Want to get more hours for your log book?**

An opportunity for you and your supervisor to experience a variety of driving conditions to increase safe driver behaviour.

**All learner drivers must have 40 or more log book hours**

Bookings are essential

Please contact Council for a suitable workshop

2016	June	19	10.00am – 12.30pm		Shellharbour and Kiama
	July	12	6.00pm – 8.30pm	☾ night run	Shellharbour and Kiama
	August	14	9.30am – 12.00pm		Wollongong
	September	25	10.00am – 12.30pm		Shellharbour and Kiama
	November	27	9.30am – 12.00pm		Wollongong
2017	March	26	Ultimate Learner Log Book Run 10.00am – 1.30pm		Shellharbour, Kiama and Wollongong
	April	11	6.00pm – 8.30pm	☾ night run	Shellharbour and Kiama
	May	7	9.30am – 12.00pm		Wollongong
	June	18	10.00am – 12.30pm		Shellharbour and Kiama

### Shellharbour

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jenny.davies@shellharbour.nsw.gov.au

### Wollongong

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### Kiama

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**Get the skills to ride anywhere!**

**Join a fun session to improve cycle skills, learn about bike safety & improve rider confidence.**

- **26th October 2016,**  
5:30 - 6:30pm Lang Park (Adults)
- **5th November 2016,**  
9:00 - 10:00am Southern End of Stuart Park (Adults)
- **18th January 2017,**  
10:00 - 11:00am Lang Park (Family - Adults and Children)







# vol<sup>unteer</sup>

do good feel good

**form friendships  
learn new skills  
make a difference**

**do you have some spare  
time to help?**

**would you like to gain  
some work experience?**

**are you 55+ and need to  
fulfil a mutual obligation?**

**have you considered  
volunteering?**

*positions  
available:*

**Retail Assistants  
Warehouse Assistants  
Truck Drivers  
Truck Offsiders  
Donation Sorters  
IT Maintenance**

**MISSION  
AUSTRALIA OP SHOPS**



**LIVERPOOL**  
28 Railway Street

**CAMPBELLTOWN**  
4/5 Harbord Road

**THIRROUL**  
Shop 1 Thirroul Shopping Plaza  
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16 Bellambi Lane

**CORRIMAL**  
428 Princes Highway

**NTH WOLLONGONG**  
71 Montague Street

**DAPTO**  
16 Marshall Street

**WARILLA**  
4 Commerce Drive

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The Old Woolstore  
Sloane Street

**NOWRA**  
Cnr Worrigee Street &  
Princes Highway

**ST GEORGES BASIN**  
IGA Shopping Complex  
Island Point Road

**SORTING & DISTRIBUTION  
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Now is the time to kick-start your future with one of TAFE NSW Illawarra's Fee FREE Short Courses which you can enrol in now!

Our short courses are a great way to build your skills, explore a new career path or meet the changing legislative requirements of your job.

Many of our short courses also count towards full qualifications – so if you're ready to take your training to a new level, you'll be ahead of the game.

This Fee-FREE training is subsidised by the NSW Government.

## ARE YOU ELIGIBLE FOR A FEE-FREE SHORT COURSE?

If you meet the following criteria, you may be eligible to undertake one of our Fee FREE Short Courses:

- are aged 15 years or older
- have left school
- live or work in New South Wales
- are an Australian citizen, permanent resident, humanitarian visa holder or New Zealand citizen.

This opportunity is only available for training which is completed by Saturday 31 December 2016.

## WHAT CAN YOU STUDY?

Choose from a variety of courses across our 14 locations and enrol now!



Café Skills



First Aid



Food Safety Supervisor\*



Hairdressing Skills



Make-up



Responsible Conduct of Gambling (RCG)\*



Responsible Service of Alcohol (RSA)\*



**MORE TO COME!**

 [www.tafeillawarra.edu.au/short-courses](http://www.tafeillawarra.edu.au/short-courses)

For more information on each short course, visit [www.tafeillawarra.edu.au/short-courses](http://www.tafeillawarra.edu.au/short-courses).

For more information on Smart and Skilled, the NSW Skills List and NSW Government Subsidised courses, visit [www.smartandskilled.gov.au](http://www.smartandskilled.gov.au).

Please note that minimum enrolment numbers must be achieved to enable the course to proceed as scheduled.

\*Fee is payable for licenced courses.

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