Choose to Listen; and believe the voice of Truth

From the Acting Headmaster, Mr Ian Croger

“Lest We Forget”

It was with great pride, that I watched our WAC students participate in the Anzac Day commemoration on Sunday, 21 April at Thirlmere and last Thursday morning at Picton (142 students and 12 staff attended the Picton service). We also had representations at Hilltop and the Queen Victoria Hospital at Thirlmere. All of them participated in the appropriate way to commemorate the true spirit of Anzac Day.

Hopefully they were reminded that the commemoration is not to glorify war, but to recognise the sacrifice, commitment and unselfish devotion by those young men and women who served their country. In many cases they knowingly went to their deaths.

Honouring the memory of those gallant men and women who sacrificed so much, brings into perspective how fortunate we really are and how we have directly benefited because of the sacrifices they made. From a Christian perspective, we are reminded of the sacrifice made by Jesus who knowingly went to His own death. His death and sacrifice on the cross and His victory over death was made on our behalf and we can directly benefit from this. This was an expression of His love for us. Let us not forget this.

The growth in support for Anzac Day, particularly with more young people attending dawn services is certainly a sign that as a nation we are embracing that part of our history. However, as we approach the 100th anniversary of the Great War next year and centenary ANZAC Day in 2015 there seems to be growing concerns about how these events are being commemorated. Ian Rose (SMH 21.4.13) poses the question … ‘Do we dishonour fallen Diggers by turning Anzac Day into a gala event?’

Similarly Jonathon King (SMH 20.4.13) suggests that over the last 10 years there is growing evidence of commercialism taking over and turning Anzac Day into a type of ‘Big Day Out’. He witnessed evidence of this at the 90th anniversary when official presentations, at Gallipoli, included rock music…’which inspired dancing’ and he observed ‘couples canoodling near graves’. There also seems to be growing advertising for pre Anzac Day parties and events at bars and nightclubs.

My intention isn’t to judge how the returned servicemen and women, or even our existing defence force personnel, chose to commemorate Anzac Day. They have earned the right to make those choices. I also understand that the freedom we have gained from the sacrifices made by others allows us to enjoy that freedom on Anzac Day as a public holiday.

However, let us not forget the true meaning of Anzac Day. Let us not forget to educate our children that Australia lost at Gallipoli and the campaign was costly in terms of human life. Poor planning and decision making by some political and military leaders contributed to the failure. In the words of the last Anzac, Alec Campbell, who passed away 2002, ‘……don’t glorify Gallipoli – it was a terrible fiasco, a total failure and best forgotten’ (King,2013).

Let us not forget that similar mistakes plagued other campaigns in other battles and in later wars. Our children should all learn about these historical mistakes and the horrific nature of wars. We should remember to mourn the loss of those men and women and recognise the sacrifices they made for us. My pride in the WAC students attending the Anzac Day commemorations was because they did so in the correct spirit.

Lest We Forget – ‘Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one’s life for one’s friends’. John15:13

"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. 17 For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through Him."

John 3:16-17

Lest We Forget.

Community Service
It was exciting to see so many students involved in the various ANZAC Day marches this year. In total well over 150 students were involved in the services a number of whom played significant roles in the services. All of the students involved in these marches are to be commended on the way in which they represented the College. I had the opportunity to attend the Picton march and was very impressed by the service and by our students involved in the service. It was clear to see both the values of Pride in Belonging and a Sense of Community Involvement at the forefront of the way in which our students represented the College.

Here at the College we value Community Service. All students who attended ANZAC Day marches will receive Community Service awards. Special mention to students in Year 9 who had the largest number of students attend services in the Secondary school and to Years 5 and 6 in the Primary school who also had very strong attendance.

The College marked ANZAC day with a short service on Wednesday morning this week. A big thanks to the staff and students that were involved in the running of this service.

Spotlight on leadership
This week we will learn a little more about our Middle School Captain Jye Green (Year 8).

How long have you been a student at WAC? Started in Kindergarten (2005).

In your role as Middle School Captain what things have you been involved in so far this year? Young Leaders Day SASC, Year 5-7 Information Night, Year 7 2014 Information Night, Term 1 Term Service.

What are your interests and likes here at the College? Sport, Mandatory Technology Food, People and Teachers.

What do you hope to achieve in your leadership role this year? To be a positive role model to others, to serve others in my position and to be a voice for the students of the College.

Pastoral Care Program Term 2
In the College Pastoral Care program for Term 2 students in Years 5-8 will focus on the topic of Social Media. This will involve a visit from a guest presenter during the Extended Pastoral period in late May. Students in Years 9-11 will be involved in a program that focuses on Service and Leadership. The program on Service and Leadership will be used to launch Years 9-12 Chapel which will take place this Term during the Extended Pastoral period. Both of these topic areas are of significant importance in the development of our students and we would encourage parents to discuss these at home with their children. Finally, thank you to the staff that work very hard on preparing these programs, the feedback on the whole about the value of such programs here at the College is overwhelmingly positive.

Mr Liam Toland
Acting Deputy Headmaster
Director of Pastoral Care T-12

IMPORTANT REMINDER!
All Year 7 Students Vaccinations and Year 9 Boys only Vaccinations will be held on Tuesday, 7 May.
ENROLMENTS

Welcome to the 17 new students who have started at WAC this term! It is wonderful to have you and your families here in our College community. It is great to see all of our new students settling in to the College.

Enrolments continue for 2014!

Our focus for enrolments has now shifted to Transition and Kindergarten 2014. If you are yet to enrol your child/ren in either of these years, please do so as soon as possible. Places are limited. Also, if you have friends or family from outside the College with children aged four or above, please encourage them to contact me to get the application package. College Days commenced this week and will be running each week this term.

2014 Year 7 Advanced Learning Class (ALC)

Applications for the 2014 Year 7 Advanced Learning Class are due tomorrow (Friday, 3 May 2013). Please ensure you have your application in if you wish your child to be considered for the ALC in 2014.

Email Addresses and Phone Numbers

Please ensure your email address and mobile number are up to date on our database. We may try to contact you from time to time and require this information to do so. Occasionally we find that mobile numbers are no longer in use and/or email addresses are no longer current. It is important that we have your details up to date so that we can contact you when needed and keep you up to date with news and events at the College. You can update your details using the parent portal or by contacting the College office.

Mrs Christine Mozejko
Development Manager

FROM THE ACTING DIRECTOR OF STUDIES

Welcome back to what will be a very busy term. Term 2 brings with it the challenge of Half Yearly examinations, NAPLAN and some of the ICAS Competitions. These are wonderful opportunities for students to reflect on their capabilities, challenge and extend themselves.

Now is the time for students to begin preparing for the upcoming exams. Preparation in advance helps to reduce stress and anxiety in the examination week. In their Pastoral Care time and during Tuesday study periods the students have explored ways to manage their time and prepare a study timetable. They have also been encouraged to use their diary and study planner to record work that needs to be completed and to keep track of impending tasks. Revision for examinations needs to be organised and active study undertaken. Students are encouraged to check with their teachers about what will be examined, write study notes and complete practise tasks.

Year 12 students completed their Half Yearly examination period at the end of Term 1, and they, along with Year 11 students, will be receiving their Half Yearly reports in the next few weeks. They are encouraged to reflect on the comments and advice provided by their teachers in order to continue to work towards achieving their personal best. To assist in this personal evaluation and reflection, the College has arranged for a representative from Head Space to speak to all Year 12 students after lunch on Tuesday, 7 May. The Headspace centres were established and funded by the Commonwealth Government of Australia in 2006. They provide support, information and advice to young people aged 12 to 25 with a primary focus on the mental health and wellbeing of all Australians.

On Tuesday, 21 May, Parent Teacher interviews for Years 11 and 12 will be held. This year we will be using a new online booking system which enables parents to request interview times in a more convenient and efficient way. Parents of Senior Students will receive student booking codes and an outline of the process via mail early in week 2.

Mrs Wendy Croger
Acting Director of Studies

Important Dates

- Tuesday, 7 May - Visit from Headspace Representative for Year 12 students.
- Tuesday, 14 May - Friday, 17 May - NAPLAN tests for Years 3,5,7,9.
- Wednesday, 15 May - Friday, 17 May - Year 11 Camp.
- Friday, 17 May onwards - Half Yearly exams Years 7 - 10.
- Tuesday, 21 May - Year 11 and 12 Parent Teacher Night.
ANZAC DAY CEREMONIES

It was wonderful to see so many students, parents and staff representing our College at the local Anzac services throughout the Wollondilly Area. Our College was extremely well presented at all ceremonies and students are to be commended on their involvement. A special thank you to Hayden Wood for his speech at the Hill Top Service, to Axel Friedrich for his speech at the Thirlmere Service and to Ashleigh Smith for leading the Lord's Prayer at the Picton Service. We also acknowledge the involvement of our Captains for their hard work and dedication. This year was the first time our College supplied drummers to accompany the Picton march and together with more than 140 students in attendance, our College was definitely well presented. Thank you also to Helena Turner who represented the College in her uniform at an Anzac Service in Queensland. Again, thank you to all.

Mrs Lisa Maher
College ANZAC Service Co-ordinator
WHY MUSIC IS VITAL FOR MY CHILD’S ACADEMIC PROGRESS AT SCHOOL?

Plato once said that music “is a more potent instrument than any other for education”. You will find many teachers of young children who would agree with him. Recent research has found that music uses both sides of the brain, a fact that makes it valuable in all areas of development. Music affects the growth of a child’s brain academically, emotionally, physically and spiritually.

Music is academic. For some people, this is the primary reason for providing music lessons to their children. A recent study from the University of California found that music trains the brain for higher forms of thinking. Second graders who were given music lessons scored 27% higher on proportional maths and fractions tests than children who received no special instruction. Research indicates that musical training permanently wires a young mind for enhanced performance.

Music is physical. Music can be described as a sport. Learning to sing and keep rhythm develops coordination. The air and wind power necessary to blow a flute, trumpet or saxophone promotes a healthy body.

Music is emotional. Music is an art form. We are emotional beings and every child requires an artistic outlet. Music may be your child’s vehicle of expression.

At the College we have started a great journey with Music; all students in Years 3 and 4 learn the violin or Cello. Year 5 students are studying Woodwind, Brass and Percussion instruments, Year 6 are studying the Keyboard.

Our tutors provide one-on-one lessons in Violin, Cello, Viola, Guitar, Bass Guitar, Trumpet, Trombone, Euphonium, Tuba, Clarinet, Flute, Saxophone, Piano, Drums and Percussion as well as Vocal Lessons. Forms for lessons are available through the College office, if you require advice as to which instrument is best for your child, please contact Mr Denley or Mr Grant for specialist advice.

I encourage you to get involved and discover the joys of playing music, developing skills that last a lifetime.

Mr Simon Denley
Creative Arts Co-ordinator

MISSIONS FUNDRAISER/FOUNDATION DAY - 10 YEAR CELEBRATIONS

When? Friday, 14 June 2013  12.20 pm – 2.20 pm
Why? To raise funds to provide a gift/donation to the work of the Arnhem Land Mission and the Sydney Street Mission (Year 11)
Who? Junior, Middle and Senior School Students
Parents keen to spectate
Donation? Junior School students – Gold coin donation
Middle and Senior School students - $5.00 donation
Voluntary Parents/Spectators - Gold coin donation
Note: Family capped at $10.00 (more if you please)
What? House based competitions
Rotation of fun activities, challenges and games (group & individual)
Points earned.
The House that ‘wins the games’ = “Foundation Day Champions”
The House that ‘donates the most’ = “Missions Fundraising Champions”

Mr Jay Hart
Fundraiser Co-ordinator
UPCOMING EXCURSIONS FOR YEAR 10 GEOGRAPHY AND HSC BUSINESS STUDIES

On Friday, 10 May all of Year 10 will travel to Wollongong for their Coastal Management Field Study. This Field Study is a mandatory part of their Geography course and is linked to their second assessment task. Students will be visiting a number of sites during the day. Initially we will stop at the Mt Keira lookout, then we will travel on to Fairy Meadow Beach and finally to the Harbour front and Flagstaff Hill precinct. Students must wear their Winter College Sports Uniform. We will depart the College at 8.20 am and return by 2.30 pm. It promises to be a great day.

On Wednesday, 15 May the Year 12 Business Studies class will visit Prysmian Cables (based in Liverpool), an international business who, amongst other things, manufacture the fibre optic cable that is being used in the NBN network. Students need to learn a number of case studies as a part of their HSC Business Studies course and the work done at Prysmian will fulfil a large part of this requirement. Students will depart the College at 8.20 am and return by 2.30 pm. It also promises to be a great day.

Mr Jay Hart
Secondary Teacher (HSIE)

YEAR 11 CAMP

The Year 11 Camp will be a major event and one that is both exciting and challenging. Year 11 students will be participating in a City Experience Camp and one of the major components of the camp will be a homeless workshop where students will be sleeping in an environment that simulates a night on the street. They will also be sailing on the Harbour in tall ships and competing in an Amazing Race challenge across the city. Activities are designed to incorporate leadership, teamwork and challenge situations. The dates for the camp are Wednesday - Friday, 15 -17 May 2013.

Mr Craig Russell
Secondary Teacher (Science)
Year 11 Patron

NEW STAFF PROFILE - MR SIMON HIRTH

Position: Laboratory Assistant
Place of birth: Canberra
Qualification: Bachelor of Forensic Science
Favourite Food: Massaman Thai Curry
Favourite band/artist: Mumford and Sons
Favourite books: The Bible
Interests: Soccer, Minecraft, Evangelism, Serving Others

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT FOR:

All students who attended the College in 2010.
The 2010 Year Book has now arrived and may be picked up from the College Office.
10 YEAR CELEBRATIONS

Please find your Personal Invitation to our 10 Year Celebration Dinner enclosed.

10 YEAR CELEBRATION PAVERS FOR THE COLLEGE GROUNDS

Due to unforeseen circumstances with the paver manufacturer, there will be a delay in the opening of the 10 Year Celebration Paved area.

This delay has created a limited opportunity for anyone who missed out on placing an order. If you would still like to be included in the 10 Year Celebration paved area, then please contact the office and complete an order. Orders close Friday, 17 May.

Jonathan Shaw
College Administrator

LIFELONG LEARNING CENTRE - NEW COURSE

One Half Day Cookery Course

Date: Saturday, 22 June 2013
Specialty: “Winter Warmers” - Soups, Stocks, Braises and other Slow Cooked Foods
Cost including ingredients: to be advised
Teacher: Mr Jason Gregory

If you are interested in undertaking this Course, please contact me at the College Office on 4684 2577, as soon as possible.

The course will only be run if there are sufficient numbers.

Mrs Rhonda Hay
Lifelong Learning Facilitator

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to both Elyse Wood and Tara Boyd who recently completed at the Australian Schools and University Open Karate Tournament.

Both our students were outstanding in their performances at a National Level. Well done to Elyse Wood who performed exceptionally well in her first National tournament and Tara Boyd who won Gold in Kata, Silver in the Kumite at the Australian Schools and University Open Karate Tournament, as well as two silvers in the Australian Karate Federation Australian Open.

Elyse Wood
Tara Boyd
CAREERS CORNER

Twice a year the College organises Tax File Number (TFN) applications for students. The application process is simple; Students collect a TFN in schools application form from Mr Cassidy and return the completed form to the College with a copy of their birth certificate or passport by the due date. The form is then checked and verified by the College and submitted to the Tax Department who in turn issue the applicant with a TFN. The TFN is sent by mail directly to the address nominated on the application. Students will need a TFN if they intend to seek full or part time employment or they intend to access Centrelink assistance including Fee-Help for university. The closing date for completed applications is Tuesday, 21 May 2013. Late applications will not be accepted and the next opportunity will be in Term 4, 2013. Please call me if you or your child has any questions regarding this matter.

Mr Michael Cassidy
Careers Co-ordinator

PRIMARY SPORT - FROM OUR STUDENTS

Welcome back to another busy sporting term.

We wish all of the cross country runners well tomorrow as they represent the College at the NASSA Cross Country Carnival at Macarthur Anglican School. It is important that all runners remember to wear the correct sports uniform.

Yesterday we had our IPSSO trials for the winter season. The teams will be announced soon. The next couple of weeks are byes so we will be having training on the College grounds.

Mr Stuart McIntosh
Primary Sports Co-ordinator

SECONDARY SPORT

This week in MISA we played Broughton, all the boys’ soccer teams lost as did the senior girls netball. The Year 9 Girls Netball Team had a great win 8-5.

Good luck to all our Cross Country runners and Netballers at the upcoming NASSA carnivals.

Next week in MISA we play St Pats.
Boys’ Soccer (Year 7 and Years 8 & 9) – Training at WAC
Boys’ Soccer (Years 10-12) – Training at WAC
Girls’ Netball (Year 9 and Years 10-12) – Kirkham

Mr Richard Madden
College Sports Co-ordinator
A big "Welcome to Term 2!" to our Transition families! We have a fun and exciting term ahead in Transition Tembo and Toto. This term, we will be looking at our College community. This will involve visiting some of the areas of the College we have not yet seen. It will include meeting other College staff members and learning what their role is at Wollondilly.

Our students delight in reading and have a great desire to read themselves. Please continue to read regularly with your children. Although we do not record home reading in Transition, parents are encouraged to read with their children as often as possible throughout the week. Over the coming weeks, each student will be receiving a ‘reading ring’. This will have pictures and letters of sounds they have been learning in class to practise at home.

"Reading aloud with children is known to be the single most important activity for building the knowledge and skills they will eventually require for learning to read." - Marilyn Jager Adams

At the end of Term 1, I attended a course on child speech development run by a speech pathologist. One of the key pieces of information I took away was that children should be able to articulate EVERY phoneme/sound by the age of three and a half years. The only exception is that some children may confuse the “f” and “th” phonemes. Blends should be mastered by age five. I will be working in class on some strategies and skills recommended in the course. However, this may need to be supported by professional intervention for some students.

A reminder that Transition students will be having the State wide Eyesight Pre-schooler Screening next week on Tuesday, 7 May for Toto and Wednesday, 8 May for Tembo. Notes should have been returned at the start of the week.

I hope you enjoyed looking through your child’s portfolio. A reminder to return your child’s portfolio to the College so that we can continue adding work samples and information for Term 2! Paint shirts were also sent home at the end of last term for washing. Please return these as soon as possible.

A reminder to send a framed 4x6 (ish) photograph of your child and family into Transition. These photos will be returned to you at the end of the year. They will provide us with lots of learning opportunities and assist us with building the importance of each child’s family.

A note has been sent home this week about parent helpers in Transition. Please return the note by the start of Week 2 if you are interested and available to assist in any of these ways.

Students should be arriving at the College dressed in their full tracksuit in Terms 2 and 3. Children are able to take their tracksuit off during the day if they are wearing the shorts underneath. Students are also expected to leave the College each day in their full tracksuit (unless the weather is too warm). I would really appreciate your assistance in practising putting the tracksuit jacket and pants on and off at home. In particular, I suggest practising how to pull out the jacket sleeves so that they are not inside out. This will help to make our afternoon pack up routine much quicker!

I encourage you to continue to read the weekly overviews placed in the students’ diaries each week as well as the Waratah Weekly to know what events are coming up.

I look forward to another fantastic term!

Mrs Kristy Lee Ferris
Transition Teacher
Wollondilly Anglican College

Parents visit classrooms to join students in the learning of maths.

Last term parents came to Maths to learn with us. My mum came for a visit and we had lots of fun. We played MAB Bingo and then we played Time Bingo which was really fun. We also did maths on the smart board. My mum learnt lots of stuff from maths groups. She really loved using the smart board, she thought it was the best. By Brooke Webber.

Student News

My mum came to maths groups and she enjoyed it. Her favourite game was the die game in Mrs Reid’s class. You touch the die so they roll and then you use the numbers for adding. We did jump strategy. My favourite game is the snaky business game where you use odd and even numbers. I thought it was very cool that the parents could come. By Timothy Williams.

In Term 1 parents were able to come to the College to join us for maths groups. I think that it was really fun with the parents in the groups. I like the maths activities, they are fun and we learnt lots. The activity that I like the most is the odd and even game where you have to put the counter on the numbers that you have. I have really liked this week with the parents. By Sam Jarvis.
SOMETHING TO BE SHARED BY STAGE 1

Our Stage 1 students were given a General Assessment Task, “What’s Alive” characteristics of living and non-living things.

Luke Webber of Year 1 Faith wrote the following description of a living thing.

God is a living thing.  
He is powerful.  
God is loving.  
He is huge.  
There is nothing our God cannot do.  
God can hear all our prayers.  
He is always next to us.  
God is everywhere.  
He is in heaven.  
God loves us no matter what.  
He is the best person in the world.

Mrs Lisa Maher  
Primary Teacher

PRIMARY 3-6 MATHS CLUB

It was great to see a full house on the return to Term 2 Maths Club last Monday. We had fun playing Maths Baseball and many students enjoyed playing harder levels.

When: Monday, lunch 2 at Banks 5. Mr Wayne will pick up Years 3 and 4 from their playground.

Mr Darren Wayne  
Primary Teacher  
Maths Club Co-ordinator

MOTHER'S DAY STALL

Hey Dads, the Mother's Day stall will be on Friday, 10 May. Students from Transition to Year 6 will have the opportunity to buy a gift for mum from the P&F Mother's Day stall. Transition Toto is able to purchase items on Thursday, 9 May.

Your child can choose from a range of $5.00 presents that will be wrapped and tagged ready for Mother's Day on Sunday, 12 May.

The P&F provides this stall as a service to the College students.

P&F Committee

A big thank you to our parents for preparing this great service.

WOOLIES EARN AND LEARN

The Woolies Earn and Learn program has started again this year we have benefited greatly from this program over the last couple of years. It would be great to see points being collected again. The box is in Elizabeth or students can hand in their points to class teachers
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• From time to time, families undergo trauma such as severe or terminal illness. There are **support structures in place at the College to assist families** during these times. Parents have kindly offered practical support such as meals for other families. Please continue to contact Mrs Hay or Mr Shaw at the College, to assist. Confidentiality will be respected when requested.

• **Road Safety Event for Learner Drivers** - Sunday, 5 May, commencing 9.30 am from Wollondilly Shire Council. Places are limited for bookings contact Council’s Road Safety Officer on 4677 1188.

• **CatholicCare Workshops** - “My Kids & Me”, “Keeping Kids in Mind”, “123 Magic”, “Kids & Bullying”, “Lift” and Mental Health First Aid, for bookings and more information Campbelltown Ph: 4628 0044, Wollongong Ph: 4227 1122 and Nowra Ph: 4421 8249.

• **Bargo Netball Club** - Netballers needed from the ages of 11 –12 years. For more information contact Gaye on 0418 437 459 or email wardlecrew @bigpond.com.

• **Karate Traditional Okinawan Goju Ryu** - Karate classes for all ages. For more information contact Joe Ph: 0421 044 141.

• **Wollondilly Redbacks** - AFL Registrations are still being accepted for 2013. For more information Ph: David 0408 492 144 or email: redbacks afl@gmail.com.

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**Please Note that this page is a service to the Community and items advertised do not necessarily carry the endorsement of the College. The College tries to be selective with what is advertised but cannot take responsibility. Please look into events advertised carefully.**

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**F.L.O.W.E.R.S. Canteen & Cafeteria**

Tomorrow, 3 May, it will be ‘Red Day’ at the Canteen. On this day the Canteen will be selling the following ‘Red’ snack foods:

- Giant Anacondas $1.00
- Kit Kats $1.50
- TNT’s or KaBlueys .70c
- Zooper Doopers .50c
- Zing Bars .50c

**Canteen Roster:**

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Think healthy, Eat healthy, Live healthy!

**Mrs Carolyn Richards**

Canteen Supervisor
May

Thursday, 2  Meetings at AIS, Sydney re the Literacy and Numeracy Grant
Friday, 3    Meetings at AIS, Sydney re the Literacy and Numeracy Grant
Monday, 6   Student Enrolment
            P & F Meeting
Tuesday, 7  Student Enrolments
Thursday, 9 Meeting with College Council Chairman

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**Advanced Warning**

Term Service Friday 7 June, Food Drive for the Wollondilly Area, please bring a non-perishable food item.

**IMPORTANT DATES**

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Wollondilly Anglican Community Church (WACC) meets in the Clifford Warne Auditorium every Sunday at 9.00 am.

“Taste and see that the LORD is good; blessed is the man who takes refuge in him.” Psalm 34:8

Memories of "Try it, you'll like it" from my mother come flooding back, especially when I use the same message as a parent. Some of us can probably relate to that. I also have the problem that, whenever I mention a food that I don't like, I get recipes. Sometimes (well, usually), the only way we can ever really know if something is right or good is to actually try it. This is just as true with Jesus as it is with cheese soup or peanut butter with tomato sauce. Taste and see that he really is good. Rev Rob Meischke 0437533106
Pretend Headmaster, Grace Harper (KS) is embracing musical gifts which can be enhanced at the College.

Prayer Points

**Thank God**

- For the Australian and New Zealand Diggers who fought (and still fight) in wars they never started.
- For our Teacher’s Aides who work hard every day behind the scenes to provide the best service for students.
- That we live in a country where Christians are not yet persecuted.

**Ask God**

- To keep Dr Quarmby and his wife Mrs Quarmby safe during their travels in South Africa.
- To bless and uphold those families who are facing difficult times due to financial and health issues.

*Psalm 127:1 Unless the Lord builds the house, its builders labour in vain.*

Excellence, Endurance, Eternity.