From the Foundation Headmaster, Dr Stuart Quarmby

Our 10 year celebration provides an opportunity to reflect on my first speech to parents in 2003 – Possibly the greatest tight-rope walker who ever lived was a Frenchman by the name of Blondin. Picture the scene. He is standing on one side of Niagara Falls and there is a tight rope stretched across it. Beside him is an empty wheelbarrow with the tyre removed. There is no safety net. His hair is tossed about by a nasty breeze. Wind is the enemy of open-air tight-rope walkers and Blondin looks concerned. He hadn’t counted on this. A young member of the press who was relying on this attempt to cross the falls, regardless of the outcome, for his chance at the front page story, urges Blondin on. Blondin looks at the man. “Do you believe that I can make it sir?” he says in halted English and with some hesitation. “Yes, I do,” came the reply – “you are the greatest tight-rope walker who ever lived”. “Then sir, your faith has inspired me – I shall attempt the task – please climb into the wheelbarrow”.

Roll on the years: In 2003, there was immense pressure on the government to build another secondary school in the Wollondilly area to provide some relief on an overcrowded local high-school. “When will they build us another school?” “Can’t they see there is a problem?” “Somebody needs to do something?” A small group of people with a large amount of faith stepped up to the task at a weekend church camp and changed the “somebody” into “us.” It was a task of enormous magnitude. They said – “We will lay a foundation and build a College that honours God – the faith that it took to start it with grow, multiply and flourish in the generations that follow.” Consider also, the faith of the pioneering parents who made a commitment to trust the growth and development of their most precious resource to an unknown Headmaster and staff in a College that had not yet been built.

Faith was in high supply in those formative years and someone forgot to turn off the tap. It still flows freely in 2013. It was daunting to park beside Remembrance Drive and look over the barbed wire fence at a farm house and fruit trees in 2003. If you closed your eyes, you could see a grand College – continuously one of the fastest growing schools in the State over the first 10 years of its life with happy children learning together for Christ’s glory. The trouble was, if you opened your eyes again, it was an old farm house and fruit trees. How exciting! What a privilege!

The Bible tells us in Hebrews 11:1 that faith is being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see.

Roll on the years again: Today, it is Friday, 15 June 2053 and the College has outlived the Foundation Headmaster, hopefully not by many years. So here is the rest of the message from Orientation Day in November 2003. Please consider -

- That it was the efforts of a few faithful people who stepped into the wheelbarrow on the tightrope and began the process of building your College.
- That this time there was a safety net – the best you can get – It was the arms of the architect of the Universe who cradled us in the storm – the creator and sustainer of our faith and eternal hope.

And what is your role as the parents and council of our students in 2053?

You are the caretakers of the vision – entrusted by God with the growth and nurture of those who would seek to know Him, or to know Him better – the children of 2053. That is your awesome privilege and your prayerful challenge.

Life is short but a legacy lasts.
WOLLONDILLY ANGLICAN COLLEGE is now on Twitter! Are you?? Follow Wolly and Dilly to keep up with news and events at the College! Find us by searching @wollydilly.

Please be advised that Twitter states in their Privacy Policy that their service is not directed to persons under the age of 13 so families are encouraged to open a family account operated by the parents if you have children under the age of 13.

Mrs Christine Mozejko
Development Manager

MUSICAL TICKETS - “STATE FAIR”

Tickets for the 2013 College musical, State Fair will be on sale from Monday 24 June.

Dates: 6, 8, 9, 10 August 2013
Time: 7.00 PM Clifford Warne Auditorium
Admission: Family $40.00
Adult $15.00
Student/Concession $10.00

To book tickets, go to the College website, or http://www.trybooking.com/default.html and search for Wollondilly.

THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS

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Thank you for the ongoing support.
FROM THE DEPUTY’S DESK

Year 8 and 9 Subject Selections
On Tuesday evening an information session was held at the College regarding subject choices for Year 9 students in 2014.

The selection of courses for next year will be done online. This is the same process that was used last year.

The following steps should assist you in the process:

1. After reading the Subject Selection Handbook and having a family discussion, access the following site https://web.edval.com.au
2. An individual family web code will be sent via email and use this to access the page to enter your child’s subject choices. (This will only work if we have an up-to-date email for you).
3. Using the drop down windows, list the subject preferences. Choices need to be listed in order of preference. The software allocates the subject lines to those with the highest preferences.
4. Two preferences and four reserve preferences need to be made.
5. Submit your choices.

Please remember that although a course may be offered there isn’t a guarantee that it will run. The decision as to whether courses operate is based on the number of students selecting those courses.

If you have difficulties in accessing the site, please contact the College Office.

Year 11 ‘Taster’ Lessons
This week and next week, Year 10 students have the opportunity to sit in on Year 11 classes to have a ‘taste’ of the course work before completing their subject selections for 2014.

Class Changes in Secondary School
At the end of the Semester there is an opportunity to review the class placements in Years 7-10. There is the potential for students to be moved due to their academic performance, or to better meet their needs, or for pastoral reasons.

In particular, parents should note that their child’s position in the Grace class is not permanently guaranteed. It is a “results based” placement. Students need to work to a high standard to maintain a position in the Grace class.

Parents will be notified if their child is going to be moved.

Important Events
• Friday, 21 June – Silver Duke of Edinburgh’s Award Expedition
• Saturday, 22 June – Bronze Duke of Edinburgh’s Award Expedition

GOLD DUKE OF EDINBURGH’S Awardees MEET THE GOVERNOR

The College has been offering the Duke of Edinburgh’s Award program since 2006. During this time eight students have been successful in attaining their Gold Award – five in 2011 and three in 2012. All eight students were invited to receive their Gold Award from the NSW Governor, Professor Marie Bashir on Wednesday in Sydney last week.

Unfortunately due to work or study commitments, only four of them were able to attend the event. It is an outstanding achievement for students to achieve at this level and we are very proud of our College graduates – Brittany Russell, Jeremy Scrimgeour, Jarred Manson, Erin Gault, Alex Moller, Isaac McCarthy, Brendan Parnell and Jordan Hay.

Mr Ian Croger
Deputy Headmaster
Foundation Day
It was very encouraging to see a number of students step up and take on leadership roles as part of the Foundation Day celebrations. Year 12 students at the College played a significant role in the running of the House based activities in the afternoon demonstrating strong leadership in the process. A number of SRC representatives also played crucial roles either in the lead-up to or on the day and capably supported staff in the smooth running of what was a very enjoyable program.

The outdoor component to the day had an excellent feel about it. Students were engaged in the activities, competed in the right spirit and modelled a strong sense of teamwork. It was great to see students across a range of Year groups encouraging one another and working together in the various games.

Congratulations to Wollemi on both raising the most money to support missions and on their collective success in the games element of the day.

Student Representative Council
A special meeting of the Year 3-6 members of the SRC was held on Monday to discuss some initiatives that have been raised that directly relate to how the SRC can serve the needs of students in these Year groups. As a result, Year 3-6 SRC representatives will be involved in organising some lunch-time sporting competitions which members of the Secondary component of the SRC will support. Students from Years 3-6 will have the opportunity to sign up for a lunch time competition which will run in Term 3. I am continually impressed with the way in which our Primary SRC representatives represent their peers and how they are actively looking for ways to serve others in their roles. At the end of this Term all Year 3-5 representatives will be recognised for involvement in SRC with both a College Contribution Certificate and a certificate at the relevant Formal Assembly.

Mental Well-being
The mental well-being of young people plays a significant role in their ability to navigate successfully through the various challenges of life. A person’s ability to manage stress, be productive in their endeavours and make positive contributions to various aspects of their lives is directly linked to their mental well-being. In a world that is continually moving at a very fast pace and where technology, expectations and lifestyle choices present numerous challenges to unpack, it is important to take stock and have a look at what are some of the indicators of good mental health among young people.

- Feeling connected to their school
- Having positive family-school links
- Feeling connected to peers
- Having the skills to be resilient
- Having one caring adult outside of the family
- Feeling cared for and supported by teachers
- Having a sense of belonging and worth
- Being involved in community life
- Knowing how to think optimistically
- Demonstrating competence in social skills
- Being emotionally literate

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Mr Liam Toland
Director of Pastoral Care T-12

MADDD Night
Don't forget MADDD Night!
When: Tuesday, 25 June
Time: 7.00 pm
Where: Warne Auditorium

A great night of Music, Art, Drama, Dance and Deutschland.

The Creative Arts and LOTE Team
**NEWS FROM THE INFORMATION RESOURCE CENTRES**

**Premier’s Reading Challenge 2012 Gold Awards:** The Gold Awards achieved last year by Years 3 and 4 are to be handed out at the Junior Formal Assembly on Friday. Congratulations to those children who achieved this level.

**Scholastic Book Club:** The orders have been placed but have not yet arrived in the College. I hope they will be back early next week for delivery to the students.

**Overdues:** Please remind students to return their overdue books and borrow for the holidays.

*Live a life well read.*

**Mrs Louise Saint-John**  
IRC Coordinator

**PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS**

Parent Teacher interviews will be held for students in the first two weeks of Term 3 on Thursday, 25 July and Wednesday, 31 July. The parent/teacher interviews provide parents with the opportunity to discuss the progress of their child with their child’s teacher. Parents are strongly encouraged to attend the evening so that the educational partnership between parents and the College can be further developed.

This year the College is using an on-line interview request system which streamlines the interview process. It also ensures that, wherever possible, parents obtain interviews with the teachers they want to see within the most efficient time frame. Parents will receive a letter outlining the process of online booking along with each child’s semester report. These will be posted towards the end of term.

**Mrs Wendy Croger**  
English Co-ordinator

**YEAR 9 GEOGRAPHY EXCURSION TO WOOGLEMAI**

On Wednesday, 12 June 9 Faith visited the Wooglemai Environmental Education Centre, near Oakdale. It is a centre that gives students practical experiences of the Geography course.

We participated in field work including an analysis of the local environment using various geographical tools (e.g. hygrometers, clinometers, anemometers, thermometers). We also analysed the adaptations of flora and fauna to the harsh Australian environment. The brave ones had a chance to handle a python.

It was a great day of practical learning and the class is to be commended for their diligent and interested approach.

**Mr Jay Hart**  
Secondary Teacher (HSIE)
**HICES Music Festival Students Selected**

Congratulations to Sarah Clark, David Clark, Nicholas Jefferys, Gideon Meischke, Ethan Rudd, Ella Saint John-Viney and Maddison Traynor for being selected to perform in the HICES Music Festival for students from Years 5 to 8. This is a huge honour to be selected for the festival to be held at Stanwell Tops Christian Conference Centre from Sunday, 11–14 August, with a concert at Sydney Town Hall on Wednesday, 14 August, starting at 7.00 pm.

Please put the date in your diary and come along to support the Music Festival.

Simon Denley  
Creative Arts and LOTE Co-ordinator

**HICES Debating - Round 4**

On Thursday, 13 June the College hosted the final round of the HICES debating competition for the Southern region. Nine schools with 38 teams travelled to the College to participate in an evening of intellectual debate which was both challenging and enjoyable.

Wollondilly fielded five teams as part of the competition. The Junior School teams, drawing the affirmative side, debated the topic that Tourism should be banned in National Parks. The Middle School teams, taking the negative side, met the challenge of debating *That Compulsory Voting should be abolished*. In the Senior division, our team argued *That we should abolish selective, sporting and performing arts high schools.*

Throughout the afternoon and evening the College was abuzz with different debates being held throughout the Flynn, Sturt and Elizabeth buildings. Many parents and students took the opportunity to sit in and view the debates and provide support and encouragement for their fellow students. The evening also provided a wonderful opportunity for interaction with students from many different schools, all of whom have a passion for sharing and discussing challenging ideas.

A team of student volunteers assisted with the running of the evening and were of great assistance in guiding visitors around the College and serving afternoon tea.

Congratulations and thank you to all involved.

Mrs Wendy Croger  
English Co-ordinator

**Can You Help Us?**

**Job:** Listening to students read and helping them complete related activities.

**Skills Required:** Patience and the desire to help students read!

**Age group involved:** Years 2 and 3 (7-9 years)

**Duration:** One hour either Wednesday or Friday morning, each week (8.15 am commencement)

**No prior experience necessary. All Secondary and Primary Parents and Grandparents welcome.**

If you can help us, please contact either;

Mrs Lucy Gregory  
l.gregory@wac.nsw.edu.au  
4623 0275

Mrs Lyndell Hart  
l.hart@wac.nsw.edu.au  
4623 0256
**ARNEHM LAND TRIP**

As you may know five Year 10 and 11 students will be heading up to Arnhem Land next Friday for the College mission.

We ask that you will keep these students in your prayers.

Please pray for:

- Craig and Red Fulton, the MAF missionaries we are partnering with.
- The health of the students and teachers in a very different environment.
- The youth groups run for the local community.
- The students as they prepare puppet shows and testimonies
- The Sunday School lesson that the students are organising
- Safety in flights (including on small planes)

Mr Tim Hicks  
Missions Coordinator

**PRIMARY MATHS CLUB**

Well done to more than 20 students who keep coming to Primary Math's Club each week.

Every Monday we play a range of games with the emphasis on practising number skills with friends. Students will be picked up at the 3-4 playground at 2nd half lunch.

Mr Darren Wayne  
Maths Club Co-ordinator

**LIFELONG LEARNING CENTRE - NEW COURSE**

**Expressions of Interest** are now being taken for the following courses for Term 3:

- 'Winter Warmers Cookery' (half day) - 22 June $100.00 - (includes goodies to take home). **If you are interested, please call by Friday, 21 June.**
- One Day Vegetable Gardening Course - August (One Saturday)
- Introduction to Computing - Terms 3 & 4 ) Numbers are needed
- Next Step Computing - Terms 3 & 4 ) to run these Courses.
- Intro to Digital Photography - Term 4 )
- Next Step Digital Photography
- Theology - Terms 3 & 4

God's plan from beginning to end. (An in depth overview of what God has done in the past as proof of what he will do in the future and how one can be part of that plan.)

Courses will only run if there are sufficient numbers. For more information please contact me at the College Office.

Mrs Rhonda Hay  
Lifelong Learning Facilitator
Thank you to everyone who donated to the Mission Fundraising appeal. As a College we raised $2,116.85. These funds will be a tremendous help in our missions program including the Arnhem Land Mission and the homeless charity which Year 11 visited on their camp. Thank you. Wollemi came out on top as the biggest fundraisers and have earned the title as 2013 Missions Fundraising Champions – well done to you!

The Foundation Day games were amazing. It was a blur of colour, excitement, cheers, close competition and great fun. The day would not have been possible without the help of the teaching staff, student helpers (Year 12 students, Year 10 Senior Captains) and the College support staff. Thanks. Wollemi came out on top once again and were crowned 2013 Foundation Day Champions. And there I was joking at the secondary assembly that they wouldn’t win… I am now eating my words.

Please be reminded that there will be a Wollemi flag raising ceremony tomorrow to celebrate their victories. All Wollemi students are able to wear their house polo shirt with their sports uniform.

Mr Jay Hart
Secondary Teacher (HSIE)
SECONDARY SPORT

The Secondary Athletics Carnival is on Thursday, 27 June. Students are reminded that if they wish to compete in the 1500m race they will have to be up at the back oval for an 8.00 am start. Also the students will have to bring their lunch for the whole day as they will not be allowed back down to the Canteen at any stage during the day, so please make sure that you bring enough food for the day. The P&F will be selling slugs and spiders so get your orders in! Also for the first time, the Primary will be joining us for the relays at the end of the day. It will be a great whole College event.

A reminder for parents attending the Athletics Carnival, please do not park up at the oval, please use one of the car parks and walk up.

Congratulations to all our Cross Country runners who competed in the CIS Carnival last Thursday, you all ran amazingly. Special congratulations are due to Kevin Galwey who came eighth at the CIS Carnival. He now goes on to represent CIS in the All Schools State Cross Country. Well done Kevin. This is a massive achievement.

Next week in MISA we have trials for Term 3 sports they are;

Year 7 Girls’ Netball
Year 8 Girls’ Netball
Years 7-9 Girls’ Soccer
Years 10-12 Girls’ Soccer
Years 7&8 Boys’ Rugby League
Years 9&10 Boys’ Rugby League

Upcoming dates:
Secondary Athletics Carnival Thursday, 27 June

Mr Richard Madden
College Sports Co-ordinator

PRIMARY SPORT

Yesterday we had our 100m heats and each of the age groups completed one of the field events. Next Wednesday will be our full day Athletics Carnival for Years 3 to 6.

If you are able to assist with being a timekeeper or a recorder, please either email me or turn up on the day. All help will be gratefully received.

Children can use spikes for some of the track events, but this is not compulsory.

The team relays will be held on Thursday afternoon as part of the Year 7-12 Athletics Carnival day. All children in the Primary School will be watching the relay events.

Please be reminded that no Years 3-6 children will be able to go to the Canteen on the full day carnival next Wednesday and so should be bringing all of their own food supplies and drinks for the day, or purchasing slugs and spiders or lolly bags. Order forms were due yesterday, however, can be sent in by tomorrow morning if you have forgotten.

This Friday is our Transition -Year 2 Athletics Carnival which will follow the Junior Formal Assembly. Parents are welcome to join us for this event. It is anticipated that the carnival will start around 9.30 am but this starting time will be flexible as the children will need to have Fruit Stop at the conclusion of the assembly.

Mr Stuart McIntosh
Primary Sports Co-ordinator

Uniform
Please note - full sports uniform with your coloured house polo shirt is to be worn on Carnival days.
WAC 10 YEAR ANNIVERSARY COOKBOOK - AVAILABLE ONLY TILL - 19 JULY (END OF FIRST WEEK TERM 3)

Please keep sending in your favourite family recipes, we are still in need of more to fill this memorable ‘special edition’ Cookbook. We encourage you to be a part of this book which will be endorsed by a Celebrity Chef.

Headings that still need recipes are--
- Kickstart Breakfasts and Snacks
- Soups and Starters
- Finger foods
- Salads and Dressings
- Vegetarian and Allergy Friendly
- Fun with Kids
- Drinks and other liquid Delights

Other headings include Meals in a Tick, Meats, Fish and Other Feasts, Delectable Desserts, Afternoon Teatime. If you have only one family recipe that is your very favourite, send it in quickly so you do not miss out. Please note that if you are copying a recipe from another favourite cookbook, we will need the name of that book for copyright issues.

Recipes can be attached to the red flyer (from previous Waratah Weekly) or just printed/written out and placed in an envelope addressed to Country Fair Cookbook and left at the office or emailed directly to Lianne Williams (lianne@sproutscatering.com.au).

P&F Committee

P&F GOLF DAY - EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT!

Please note that there is an early bird discount for Golf Day registrations made this term only. If you are not a Golfer but would like to enjoy Melbourne Cup Day and raise funds for the College, there is a cup lunch for $25.00.

This includes a buffet lunch, plenty of prizes and loads of fun.

Mrs Danielle Turner
P&F President
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.

**Tahmoor Uniting Community Celebration BBQ** - Friday, 21 June, where: Tahmoor Uniting Community Garden. 6.00 pm - 9.00 pm. Bring a plate to share, sausage sizzle available, bring your own drinks and a chair.

**NAIDOC Week** - Sunday, 7 July - 14 July. Celebrate Aboriginal History & Culture for more information contact Cultural Infusion; info@culturalinfusion.org.au

**Kids Camp** - at the Tops Conference Centre, contact Children's’ Minister Figtree Anglican. When: 1 - 4 July, for more information visit; www.figtreeanglican.org.au or Ph: 0416 061 812.

**Special Olympics Southern Highlands** - Providing sports training for people with an intellectual disability. For more information visit www.specialolympics.com.au/SouthernHighlands.

**ASPIRE - Information Sessions** - Free information for parents on speech & language, developmental milestones, early intervention, fine/gross motor skills, autism, behavioural & emotional regulation, school readiness and social interactions. For more information contact Ph: 4655 2641 or admin@aspireis.com.au.


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

Monday, 24 June will be “Red Day” at the Canteen. On this day special treats such as chocolates, lollies and TNT’s will be sold at lunch time only.

**Canteen Roster:**

- **Friday, 21/6**
  - Judy Scholes
  - Natalie Traynor
- **Monday, 24/6**
  - Michelle Morris
  - Help Needed
- **Tuesday, 25/6**
  - Anne Woods
  - Help Needed
- **Wednesday, 26/6**
  - Judith Rigg
  - Help Needed
- **Friday, 28/6**
  - Lesley Bramich
  - Angela Sarkis

*Think healthy, Eat healthy, Live healthy!*

**Mrs Carolyn Richards**

Canteen Supervisor
**HEADMASTERLY HAPPENINGS**

**June**

Thursday, 20  Student enrolments for 2014  
Senior Formal Assembly (Middle next week)  
Friday, 21  Student enrolments for 2014  
Junior Formal Assembly  
Saturday, 22  College Council Planning meeting  
Monday, 24  Student enrolments for 2014  
(Evening) LifeLong Learning Presentation Evening  
Tuesday, 25  Student enrolments for 2014  
MISA Dance Festival (Please check)  
(Evening) MADDD Night  
Wednesday, 26  Student enrolments for 2014  
Primary Athletics  
(Evening) State of Origin 2  
Thursday, 27  Secondary Athletics  
Combined Primary/Secondary Relay Races  
Senior Management Meeting  
Friday, 28  Student enrolments for 2014  
Staff Meeting  
Middle Formal Assembly  
Arnhem Land leaves  

**Calendar Update**

Friday, 21 June  
Transition-Year 2 Athletics Carnival  
Friday, 21 - 23 June  
Duke of Ed Silver Expedition  
Saturday, 22 - 23 June  
Duke of Ed Bronze Expedition  
Friday, 21  
Stage 3 Canberra Excursion  
Monday, 24 June  
Lifelong Learning Presentation  
Tuesday, 25 June  
MADDD Night (Changed Date)  
Wednesday, 26 June  
Primary Athletics  
Thursday, 27 June  
State of Origin 2  
Friday, 28 June - 5 July  
Arnhem Land Mission  
Friday, 28 June  
Last Day of Term 2  
Monday, 15 - 19 July  
Professional Development (Pupil Free)  
**Monday, 22 July**  
First day of Term 3 for Students

**IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER!**

- **Friday, 21 June**  
  Junior School Formal Assembly (Yrs T-4)  
- **Friday, 28 June**  
  Middle School Formal Assembly (Yrs 5-8)  

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

**Phil. 1:21 For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain.**

After a big weekend of remembering the first 10 years of WAC and the first ten years of WACC and the retirement of Archbishop Peter Jensen, it has been good to reflect on why we’re here. Sometimes it is hard to think of heaven as wonderful, when there’s so much good stuff here. But, if all we gain is stuff, the polish fades a little. In Jesus, we gain an eternity of being right with God - better than a boat, better than a super payout, better than any iGadget. Rev Rob Meischke 0437533106.
Pretend Headmaster, Joseph Lombardo (KS) offers to help Dr Quarmby on catching up after his sabbatical and immediately regrets it!

Prayer Points

Thank God

- For 10 years of countless blessings in His service
- For the wonderful memories at the 10 Year Celebration Dinner
- That we live in a country that is (relatively) free from corruption
- For the students who will shine in deed and effort at the Athletics Carnivals

Ask God

- For wisdom as we begin discussions for the next stage of building
- For a smooth end to the term and for a restful break
- For His blessing across the waters for our link schools in Africa and Germany

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

Excellence, Endurance, Eternity.