Welcome and welcome back

It’s 2015 and our growth shows no signs of slowing. This year there are multiples of students who have commenced in every year at the College for 2015. In all, there are over 130 new faces. People ask why so many students attend the College, particularly the bus loads that arrive every day from out of the area. There is no single reason. Each student or family has their own reason for choosing this College.

One thing is consistent and certain, however, for 11 years this College has been lavishly blessed by God. The College that should never have been – still stands in defiance of earthly logic as one of the fastest growing independent schools in NSW – a testament to the power of prayer and the grace of our Creator. God is watching and God never blinks.

A $1.2 million grant for the construction of a State of the Art Hospitality Skills Centre, fully funded by the Federal Government, became the catalyst to relocate and build a new Admin whilst the Bulldozers and concreters were on site last year. Stay tuned for details of the opening of the Alfred Deakin Administration Centre in the near future. Planning has advanced during January for a new two stage $4 million double storey English and Creative Arts Complex to be opened in 2016 and 2017 to cater for our continuing rapid growth.

But we have never just been about buildings. Our first Kindergarten commenced Year 11 in 2015. We will continue to endeavour to be all things to all people. As the only independent alternative in the Shire, we will continue to provide the Christian education that some people seek. We will continue to focus on teaching and learning and the pursuit of academic excellence – and that means excellence for all students at all learning levels. We are part of a community and our community loves sport. This may be an avenue where a student finds reinforcement of worth and build esteem. But sport is also about learning to be part of a team - just as much about the bad games and letting the team down as about the victories. Both are valuable learning opportunities if managed by staff who care about such things. Sport is about representing your College or to run, jump and swim for your House. And there are students who love to paint, who love to dance, who love to play an instrument, who love to sing. It is music to our ears when we hear students talk about these opportunities and experiences as being the highlight of their time here at the College.

We have never been about containing or re-directing hearts and minds into pre-determined educational distinctive. It has been our endeavour from the first day to provide educational options and pathways for excellence in all fields of endeavour. In serving families where students each have different God-given gifts and aspirations we must continue to cater for the one and we must also continue to cater for the many as we strive for -

Excellence, Endurance and Eternity.
ENROLMENTS

Welcome back! While the College was on its Christmas Break, the enrolments section of the College was run off its feet! We have received many applications for Year 7, Kindergarten and Transition for 2016 which is great to see. With this in mind, I urge our current families to ensure you have any sibling applications in as soon as possible. Over the past two years, we have had siblings on our waiting list which is not an enjoyable situation for anyone! Please help us avoid this situation for 2016 enrolments. Applications for our main entry points (Year 7, Kindergarten and Transition) should be submitted as soon as you can. Application packs are available from our website or the College office.

With 11 new students commencing Year 5 in 2015, we are reminded of the importance of our middle years program. This is an forever growing choice for many families which not only secures a place in the Year 7 group but also prepares the students for the changes associated with moving to the Secondary years. If anyone is interested in finding out more about the program, you are welcome to give me a call at the College office.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Scholarships for students entering Years 5, 7, 9 or 11 in 2016 are closing on MONDAY, 9 FEBRUARY 2015. That is just four more sleeps away. Please don’t delay in submitting your online application through our website, the closing date is final and I am unable to accept any late applications. If you need assistance, please contact me. Auditions for Music and Dance Scholarships are likely to run on Thursday and Friday, 12 and 13 March 2015. More details of the auditions will be sent to the applicants after the closing date.

Mrs Christine Mozejko
Development Manager

SEVEN STUDENTS ON THE “DISTINGUISHED ACHIEVERS’ MERIT” LIST

Congratulations to the Year 12 class of 2014 for their hard work and dedication in the achievement of commendable HSC results. The College community was thrilled to learn that seven students were placed in the highest result band for at least one subject. All received honourable mention on the list of distinguished HSC achievers for 2014.

Distinguished Achievers’ Merit list for NSW.

Hayden Cohen: PDHPE
Katie Flanagan: Design and Tech
Josh Hanson: Industrial Technology - Timber
Thomas Hart: Design and Technology AND Information Processes Technology
Samuel Gardiner#: Extension English AND Advanced English
Graeme Norton: Industrial Technology – Timber
Chloe Parsons: Food Technology

# Samuel Gardiner is an accelerated student who sat the HSC in English whilst in Year 11 as part of the EDGE Academy at the College.

(All Distinguished Achievers have been invited by the Mayor of Wollondilly Shire to a special Mayor reception early in 2015).

Two Wollondilly Anglican College students were nominated for the prestigious Design Tech exhibition of high calibre works in Sydney.

Katie Flanagan
Mia Majstorovic


Of course, great results measured against external bench marks are important and worthy of celebration, but there were smiles all round from other students in Year 12 who gained results that represented stories of average academic track records being converted through the hard work of staff and their own endeavours into expanded career options.
Welcome back to the start of another exciting year at WAC. More students attending our College adds to the congestion of our carpark areas by increasing traffic and pedestrian flows within them. I have made some observations and have made a list of things which will help keep our carpark areas safe for everyone using them.

Please understand it is everyone’s responsibility to ensure the safety and well being of our children during peak periods in the carpark areas by observing the guidelines provided.

- Children of any age are not permitted to enter any carpark area unless they are with an adult entering their car as quickly and safely as possible.
- Conversations between parents should not be held at the carpark areas, they should be held within the College areas, well away from the carparks.
- While parents are conversing, they must be aware of their children’s location which should be within close proximity to them, not running around getting into mischief.
- Where provided please use the pedestrian crossings at all times.
- Don’t let small children run out onto a pedestrian crossing by themselves. Hang onto their hand and even try to teach them the correct way to cross a road, for example, “look to the right then to the left, look to the right again” before crossing a road.
- Do not cross the road in front of or between buses at any time.
- Drivers are reminded to keep their speed down to a crawl while driving through the car parks.
- Drivers must be aware at all times of small children running out from between parked cars and from in front of buses.
- Please remember to double check around your car before reversing or driving out of a parking space.
- Drivers must not park or wait in pick up and set down areas provided for that purpose.
- When dropping off or picking up in set down areas, please stop as far forward in the bay as you can to allow for others to come in behind you. **Under no circumstances are vehicles to be left abandoned in these areas. The set down and pick up areas are for set down and pick up only with the exception of the After School minibus.**
- **There is no parking in bus bays at any time unless you are driving a bus although, as long as you don’t get in the way of buses, car drivers are permitted to drop off during the mornings at the western end of the bus bay near the Banks locker bay area.**
- At the start of every year we get complaints about the traffic coming into the College. Every school has a busy time at the start of the new year as parents love to drive their children to school on the first days. I notice every morning that the peak time is between 7.55 am and 8.15 am with cars streaming in through the gates at bell time. May I suggest drivers leave home a little earlier to help reduce the traffic jams at bell time? I believe this might help.

These guidelines are set in place so that your children and everyone else using our carparks are kept safe. Please follow them to ensure a safe environment.

Mr Schroder
Property Manager/WHS Coordinator
Years 5-7 Information Night
This will be held in the Warne Auditorium and commences at 7.00 pm on Tuesday, 10 February. This evening is an opportunity for parents to gain information on a range of Teaching and Learning and Pastoral Care Issues.

Parent Portal
We also hope to be able to demonstrate to parents how they can access the academic progress of their children via our ‘Parent Portal’.

Years 5&6
Parents will have the opportunity to meet with the class teacher. (Students are not required to attend)

Year 7
- We anticipate that students and at least one of their parents attend the information evening
- Year 7 students are expected to attend the evening in College uniform

Years 11 & 12 Information Night
Tuesday, 24 February in Warne Auditorium at 7.00 pm
- We anticipate that students and at least one of their parents attend.
- Some information regarding the calculation of HSC Marks and scaling.
- Tips to successful achievement in the HSC.
- There will be information regarding the demands of the Year 11 & 12 courses and the expectations regarding Assessment.
- A demonstration of access to the Parent Portal on Edumate

Students are expected to wear their College uniform.

Assessment Handbooks – Years 7-12.
Year 12 will soon receive their Assessment Handbook, which outlines the College Assessment Policy and provides information to parents and students with regard to the processes involved with HSC Assessment.

An Assessment Calendar and assessment dates can also be accessed by parents on the Edumate Parent Portal.

Assessment Handbooks will be available in the next week for Years 7 to 11 with similar information relating to their particular year group.

Mr Ian Croger
Deputy Headmaster

HISTORY COMPETITION

Year 10 and 8 Grace will be sitting The Australian History Competition Wednesday, 27 May. This is a 50 question multiple choice source based skills test. Students may also be interested in the National History Challenge. This is a researched based competition for Primary and Secondary students.

Details can be found at www.htansw.asn.au
or
http://historychallenge.org.au/

The theme for 2015 is Leadership and Legacy.

Information regarding the Simpson Prize can be found on the HTA website or at http://www.simpsonprize.org/

Please contact Mr Powter if you are interested.

Mr Colin Powter
History Teacher
**Pastoral Care Matters**

**Peer Support Program**
During Term 1 Year 7 students will be involved in the Peer Support Program. Each week, groups of 8-10 students will meet with two Year 10 Peer Leaders and work through a range of activities that focus on resilience. Meeting in small groups allows for meaningful connections to form, assisting students with the transition to the secondary years.

Over a period of eight weeks students will acknowledge their strengths and achievements, identify people who support them and learn how to view challenges as opportunity for growth.

For additional reading and resources to support your child, please visit the parent tab on the Peer Support Australia website [www.peersupport.edu.au](http://www.peersupport.edu.au)

**Pastoral Team 2015**
For those new to the College in 2015 and those returning who may be unsure of who to contact for all things pastoral, the following provides a brief outline of the College Pastoral structure and the ‘go to’ people.

T-4 Pastoral Coordinator - Mr Stuart McIntosh
5-8 Pastoral Coordinator - Mrs Lisa Rockwell
9-12 Pastoral Coordinator and T-12 Director of Pastoral Care - Mr Liam Toland
The above people should be contacted with regards to significant matters of Pastoral Care.

The classroom teacher is the first point of contact for students in T-6 to raise matters of Pastoral Care. Please ensure that you follow this as many matters can be easily addressed at this level.

In Secondary each Year Group has a Year Patron who supports the students in that year directly in Pastoral matters.

- Year 7 - Mr Craig Russell
- Year 8 - Mrs Emily Madden
- Year 9 - Mr Michael Cassidy
- Year 10 - Mr Jason Gregory
- Year 11 - Mrs Cate Rigg
- Year 12 - Mrs Sarah Talbot

We are very fortunate to have a very dedicated and supportive team at the College who go out of their way to ensure that all of our students receive an outstanding level of care.

**Changes to Exemptions for Leave**
As part of the implementation of the ACARA National Standards for Student Attendance Data Reporting, holidays taken by students outside of College vacation periods will now be included as absences. A Certificate of Exemption can no longer be granted for this purpose.

Families are encouraged to holiday or travel during College vacations. If travel during the College term is necessary the following considerations apply:

- If the Headmaster accepts the reason for the absence, the absence will be recorded as Leave.
- If the Headmaster does not believe the absence is in the student’s best interests and does not accept the reason, the absence is unjustified and will be recorded as an Unjustified Absence.
- Parents should enter the absence through the Parent Portal.

**Mr Liam Toland**
Director of Pastoral Care (T-12)

**Do you have an hour a week to spare?**
If you do, the Learning Support team would love to hear from you. We are looking for parents or grandparents, who could come in for approximately one hour a week to read with Primary aged students. All resources will be supplied for you and we will take you through the process beforehand. No prior experience is needed.

If you are interested in helping or have any questions please contact Mrs Lucy Gregory at the College or by email: l.gregory@wac.nsw.edu.au

**Mrs Lucy Gregory (Support Teacher)**
Welcome To 2015
I am looking forward to a big year. There is already an excited buzz in the Primary. Last night we had our information night for T-4. It was wonderful to see so many parents. I have put in some information for those who were not able to attend and for those who want to be reminded.

COMMUNICATION: Communication is essential, please use the diaries, email or make appointments to talk to teachers. Teachers are usually busy on class so if you send an email, it may not be answered right away. If something is urgent contact the office. It is also important to realise that teachers are on class from the minute the bell goes…so catching them quickly as they walk down to their rooms with their class is not ok.

Please read the Waratah Weekly as it is essential for you to know what is going on.

HOMEWORK: Homework is a part of life at WAC. We do understand the difficulties with Homework, some students want more and some just don’t want any. We can certainly help out those who want more but, those who don’t want any will be guaranteed disappointment. We ask that parents assist us by providing time and space for children to do their Homework. Your child, should in most cases, be able to do their Homework independently. If it is too hard for them to mostly do without help then please tell the teacher.

HOMEWORK CLUB: Starts next Wednesday, 11 February: Years 4-6 Homework Club runs on Wednesday afternoons until 4.30 pm. (Students do not have to stay the whole time and Band students may attend after Band has finished). It is a great opportunity for students to get some help or to do Homework at College. Please email me (j.huxtable@wac.nsw.edu.au) to register your child. They will need to bring afternoon tea. There is a late bus available that travels to Picton. For information about this bus contact the College office.

ASSESSMENT: Assessment at WAC may be different to what you expect and it is changing. We expect students from the earliest of ages to evaluate themselves and be part of the process of assessment. We will be teaching them to do this. The focus is not on marks; rather it is on progress. To formulate grades we will be using everything they do in class as well as some formal assessments. We will be helping children to self and peer evaluate and to decide what they need to work on to improve. You will not see books marked by teachers. Instead, you will see work that has been marked by students in consultation with teachers. WHY? Because if teachers mark work in isolation students learn nothing.

HELPING STUDENTS: We help students by sometimes not helping them. We have the approach for problem solving that students will need to keep trying, they need to make attempts without expecting teachers to walk them through. Some aspects of the curriculum will be taught directly these are our ‘toolbox learning’ eg phonics, spelling, adding and subtracting etc. We ask that parents consider stepping back as much as possible.

Our focus is more on how hard a child has tried rather than the end result. We will tell them if they are on the wrong track and ask them to keep trying. This does lead to tears frustration and temper tantrums. However, they do improve and they learn to be more independent. We are setting up skills and attitudes for a lifetime.

MISTAKES: Mistakes are the best way to learn and we emphasise this with students. My son used to have a sticker on his ski helmet; “No Guts No Glory”. It stated his attitude towards skiing; if you weren’t prepared to be brave, take a risk and fall down you would never get better. We want our students to take risks, cope with the falls and keep going. They need the adults in their lives to help them develop these attitudes. What we say and do here really matters.

We will not be telling your child they have done a great job unless they have. We will be telling them that we like their thinking or we like their perseverance. We will help them identify ways to improve.

My Job:
My job is to ensure that your child in T-6 is learning; that our College is providing them with an environment that supports them having a go and doing their best. If you feel that we are not doing this then please let me know. I would also love to hear when we are doing well, if you feel inspired to give us a boost.

Please do email me or ring and leave a message. I am pretty good at getting back to people…not perfect but I do have a reasonable track record.

I am sure that 2015 will be a great year.

Ms Jacqui Huxtable
Director of Teaching and Learning (T-6)

MATHS CLUB 2015

For anyone from Years 3-6 who loves Maths or wants to learn more about it, then this is the place for you! Every Monday at 2nd half lunch, we are going to see how fun Maths is! There will be fun times tables websites and games!

Do you want to know more? I will pick up Years 3 and 4 from their playground and Year 5 and 6 can meet me at the door of Banks 5 IT lab at the start of 2nd half lunch.

Mr Darren Wayne
Kindergarten News

Miss Humble and Mrs Frost extend a very warm welcome to all our Kindergarten parents and students for the year 2015. This first term will inevitably be very busy and no doubt tiring for everyone.

The HSIE/Science Units this term will focus on learning about My School and My Senses. As part of our learning Dr Quarmby came and talked to the students. The students prepared some questions for Dr Quarmby to answer and he explained many aspects of his own school years including his favourite games and teachers. The students were interested to know if Dr Quarmby enjoyed reading when he was at school.

Miss Humble and Mrs Frost were overjoyed by the number of students who wanted to be good readers. As classroom teachers we encourage you to read each night with your child and talk about the pictures in the book. This can provide the love of reading and move our students that bit closer to becoming the successful readers they are striving to be.

Miss Humble and Mrs Frost
Kindergarten Teachers

Year 5 – 7 Information Evening

Next Tuesday, 10 February (7.00 pm) an Information Night will be held for parents of students in Year 5-7. College expectations and assessment procedures will be explained and key staff introduced. Year 5 and 6 parents will then accompany teachers to the classrooms where a more detailed information session will be conducted.

Year 7 students (in uniform) and parents are expected to attend and camp procedures and expectations will be explained at the conclusion of the evening. This is also a great opportunity to have any pressing questions about the start to Year 7 explained. It won’t be a late night as we all need our beauty sleep!

Year 7 Camp

It is that exciting time again when Year 7 heads off to the beautiful Sutherland Shire for a fun filled 3 days of dragon boating, water-sliding, orienteering, swimming and lots of fun!

It is a great camp for students to learn about the College and to bond as a group. There will be Leadership perspectives and Christian Discovery sessions run by Youthworks staff.

It is a great opportunity for students to get to know each other better in a more relaxed setting. Rules related to phones/IPods etc will be outlined in The 5–7 Information evening next Tuesday night.

Mrs Lisa Rockwell
Pastoral Care Coordinator (Years 5-8)
SPORT IS UP AND RUNNING AT THE COLLEGE FOR ANOTHER YEAR WITH A VARIETY OF NEW ADDITIONS HAVING BEEN INTRODUCED AS WE CONTINUE TO GROW.

THIS WEEK STUDENTS WERE ABLE TO TRY OUT FOR 7 DIFFERENT MISA TEAMS AND THOSE TEAMS WILL BE UP ON THE SPORTS NOTICE BOARD SHORTLY. THANK YOU TO ALL THOSE STUDENTS WHO TRIED OUT AND CONGRATULATIONS TO THOSE WHO MADE IT. STUDENTS WHO HAVE NOT MADE MISA TEAMS WILL GO TO THEIR USUAL COLLEGE SPORT ROTATION GROUPS THAT ARE POSTED ON THE SPORTS NOTICEBOARD.

ALSO, NOTES HAVE BEEN HANDED OUT FOR THE UPCOMING SECONDARY SWIMMING CARNIVAL, PLEASE COULD THEY BE RETURNED TO ROLL CALL TEACHERS BY THE DUE DATE OF THIS FRIDAY, 6 FEBRUARY.

AT TIMES THROUGHOUT THE YEAR STUDENTS WILL ALSO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO TRIAL FOR HIGH LEVEL REPRESENTATIVE TEAMS INCLUDING CIS AND NASSA. ANY STUDENT INTERESTED IN TRIALLING FOR THEIR RESPECTIVE SPORT NEEDS TO SEE MR. GOLDSBROUGH TO DISCUSS WHAT OPTIONS ARE AVAILABLE.

IN MISA, WE PLAY MACARTHUR NEXT WEEK.
OZTAG (BOYS & GIRLS) – VICTORIA PARK, MINTO
BASKETBALL (BOYS & GIRLS) – MINTO BASKETBALL STADIUM
VOLLEYBALL – MACARTHUR ANGLICAN SCHOOL
CRICKET – ONSLOW, CAMDEN

UPCOMING DATES:
WAC SWIMMING CARNIVAL - FRIDAY, 20 FEBRUARY, PICTON LEISURE CENTRE
NASSA SECONDARY SWIMMING CARNIVAL - WEDNESDAY, 4 MARCH, SOPAC HOMEBUSH
NASSA SECONDARY TOUCH - MONDAY, 16 MARCH, DALTON PARK WOLLONGONG
WAC COUNTRY CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL - THURSDAY, 2 JULY AT WAC.

MR MARK GOLDSBROUGH
SECONDARY SPORTS COORDINATOR

PRIMARY SPORT

PRIMARY ATHLETICS TRAINING 2015
Students in Year 3-6 can come along Friday lunchtimes and learn the more technical side of Athletics. I will be coaching one event in a 4 week timeframe over the whole year. This will allow students to build up their skills.

The first four weeks will be learning how to throw a Shot Put.

Please meet Mr. Wayne in front of Elizabeth at the start of Lunch One. If any further information is required, please email me at d.wayne@wac.nsw.edu.au

WAC ANNUAL PRIMARY SWIMMING CARNIVAL 2015
Permission notes have been handed out and they should be close to all being returned for our annual carnival on Friday, 13 February at 8.30 am at Picton Leisure Centre. There is a $2.50 entry fee for all spectators. Please dress up in your house polo shirt colours to show your support.

Students will be bused to and from the Leisure Centre during normal College hours. Parents are definitely allowed to help officiate so please inform me if you haven’t already on the permission note. The 50 metres Butterfly and Individual Medley’s will commence at 8.00 am sharp. If you have any further questions, please email myself at d.wayne@wac.nsw.edu.au

IPSSO
Stage 2 and 3 will be taking part in the IPSSO competition on Wednesdays as part of the primary sport program for 2015. Students will compete against a variety of local independent schools.

SPORT OPTIONS AVAILABLE TO THE STUDENTS THIS TERM INCLUDE;
- Cricket (boys)
- Oz Tag (mixed)
- Soccer (girls)
- Basketball (mixed)

Girls who are chosen to represent the College in Soccer must wear shin pads. Trials for the summer teams will be on Wednesday and the first games will take place on the Wednesday, 25 February at the College. Information regarding results, game times and locations will be posted in the Waratah.

MR DARREN WAYNE
PRIMARY SPORTS COORDINATOR
SECONDARY HOMEWORK CLUB—2015

Homework Club will be open for students from Years 7-12 to attend from (yesterday) Wednesday, 4 February (Week 2). We encourage our regular attenders to consider making this part of their study routine for 2015 and welcome any new students to make the most of this opportunity.

Our supportive and enthusiastic staff can assist students and offer guidance with homework, assignments or general revision.

As a new part of Homework Club this year the workshops will be open for students who would like to work on their technology projects. Students must meet at Flynn IRC as normal and then go to the workshop with the supervising teacher.

When: Wednesday afternoons 3.00 - 4.30 pm
Where: Flynn IRC
What to bring: Homework, tasks, puzzling questions, necessary equipment and a positive attitude!
It is essential that you have a work plan for the time you attend Homework Club

Contact: Mrs Madden, Mr Shellshear, Dr Bearlin, Miss Allon, Mr Madden (Office Phone: 4684 2577)

MATHS TUTORING AND GIFTED AND TALENTED FOR MATHEMATICS

Yesterday (Wednesday) Maths tutoring in Flynn 3 began during second half of lunch. Mr Hicks will be running tutoring and Mrs Zvargulis will be working through a Gifted and Talented program.

If your student is interested or needs extra help or motivation please encourage them to come along.

Mr Tim Hicks
Mathematics Coordinator

CREATIVE ARTS

Art Ketchup Club
All students from Year 7 to 12 are welcome to join the Art Ketchup Club, which meets every Friday lunch 1. Come along if you would like to participate in art competitions, art exhibitions, set design or extra help with any art projects you are wanting advice with. Please see Mrs Taylor or Mrs Ware.

Musical Set Design
All students from Year 7 to 11 are welcome to join the musical set design team. This year we will be painting and constructing the sets for 'High School Musical'.

We meet every Monday, 2.35 pm - 4.30 pm in Melba 3 artroom, starting Week 4. Parents are asked to collect their students from the car park between Melba and Flynn. There will be a sign up sheet outside Melba 3 artroom window.

Students should bring afternoon tea for themselves and are allowed to wear old home clothes, so not to get paint on their uniforms. See Mrs Taylor or Mrs Ware if you have any questions.

Mrs Belinda Taylor
Art Teacher
WANTED: HOSPITABLE, FRIENDLY WOLLONDILLY FAMILIES TO HOST
GERMAN EXCHANGE STUDENTS

Last year the College hosted two lovely German girls, Lilli and Lotta from our sister school in Germany. At the moment one of our Year 12 German students, Georgina Saint John-Viney is attending school at our sister school in Germany. She is reportedly having a fantastic time and loves being there.

At the moment I have applications from 4 girls and 2 boys from our sister school, who want to come to the College for 3 months this year. The students would arrive in the last week of June and return to Germany in mid-September. The students need a home while in Australia. During that time they would attend classes at the College and they would spend their weekends and the July school holidays with their host family. Ideally the student would have his or her own room, but they could also share a bedroom.

The students want to improve their English and learn more about Australia. There is the opportunity for exchange with Wollondilly students staying in Germany for 3 months, probably between December and February. There is also the opportunity to host only.

If you are interested please speak to either Mrs Clark or Mrs Mojejko (who have both visited our sister school and who have both hosted exchange students. Here is a quick summary of the students. If you are interested in one student in particular, then there are photos, letters from the students and other details available.

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Mrs Carolyn Clark (Language Teacher)
THURSDAY, 29 JANUARY - FIRST DAYS AT WAC
FRIDAY, 30 JANUARY - FIRST DAYS AT WAC
Rehearsals for the 2015 musical, *High School Musical*, have begun! However, if you would like to participate in the show but were unable to attend the first rehearsal, please don't panic. We will finalise our cast list at rehearsals on Monday, 9 February come along if you would like to participate in the production.

This week we worked with Mrs Hedges and Mr Grant on movement and singing before familiarising ourselves with the show. We hope to have our scripts and be learning some of the major chorus pieces on Monday.

**Rehearsals will happen each Monday afternoon.**

In Term 1 these rehearsals will take place from 2.45 pm - 5.30 pm for Secondary students, and from 2.45 pm - 4.30 pm for Primary students. Secondary students will rehearse in the Warne Auditorium, and Primary students will rehearse in the Elizabeth building. Please collect your child promptly at the end of their scheduled rehearsal time.

In Term 2, all students (both Primary and Secondary) will rehearse from 2.45 pm - 5.30 pm, and can be collected from the Warne Auditorium.

Your child should bring the following to rehearsals each week;

* A comfortable, appropriate and practical change of clothes (normal Mufti Day guidelines apply)
* A healthy snack (please adhere to normal College guidelines for food)
* A bottle of water
* Their script / song book (if they have one)

It is an expectation that all cast members will attend every rehearsal and performance, including the holiday rehearsal period.

Holiday rehearsal dates are as follows;
Monday, 6 July, Tuesday, 7 July, Wednesday, 8 July, Thursday, 9 July, Friday, 10 July.

Mrs Sarah Talbot
Musical Director

**College Presentation Night and Showcase Photos - 2014**
From time to time, families undergo trauma such as severe or terminal illness. There are short term 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.

Registration Day for Picton Magpies JRLC is on Saturday, 7 February 2.00 pm - 6.00 pm (Victoria Park Picton). U/6’s -- U/16’s -- $120 per player. “NEW” U/6’s only -- Registration free Please be advised that all new registration require a birth certificate and two proofs of residential address. Payment must be made in person on the registration days. Registration Includes: Shorts, Socks and Training Shirt. Any inquiries please contact Cristy on 0430 375 337

Registration days for Collegians Hockey Club will be held at Narellan Hockey Fields, Tuesday, 24 February 6.00 pm - 8.00 pm, Tuesday, 3 March 6.00 pm -8.00 pm. Junior teams – all ages U/7’s & U9’s play for free in their first year AND get a free hockey kit! Play all games at Narellan on turf, no travelling to different fields every week! Contacts Juniors: Samantha Freeman 0416 311 136 juniors@collieshockey.com.au Seniors: Lisa Clinch 0414 403 799 secretary@collieshockey.com.au

Picton Ranger Soccer Registration dates will be on Saturday, 7 February and Saturday, 14 February for all ages from under 6’s. Located at Hume Oval, Downing Street Picton between 10.00 am - 2.00 pm or email pictonfc@gmail.com

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.

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

Please find a copy of the menu in this edition. If you have an older one at home replace it with this updated one as there have been some changes.

Canteen Roster, Term 1, 2015

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Think healthy, Eat healthy, Live healthy!
Mrs Carolyn Richards
Canteen Coordinator
**HEADMASTERLY HAPPENINGS**

**February**

**Wednesday 4**  Headmaster and Chairman Meeting  
College Executive Meeting

**Thursday 5**  NASSA Sports Coordinators Meeting at WAC  
Student Enrolment Interviews Y1-12 2016

**Friday 6**  Sydney Anglican Schools Generative Thinking Day

**Monday 9**  Student Enrolment Interviews Y1-12 2016  
Building Program Stage 7 Site Meeting  
(Evening) Parents and Friends Executive Meeting  
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**Tuesday 10**  Student Enrolment Interviews Y1-12 2016  
Association of Independent Schools Appretio Visit  
Headmaster and Chairman Meeting  
(Evening) Year 5-7 Information Evening

**Wednesday 11**  Student Enrolment Interviews Y1-12 2016  
(Evening) Year 7 Camp Visit  
Meeting with representative of Anglican Education Commission

**Thursday 12**  Prefect Service at St Andrews Cathedral, Sydney

**Friday 13**  WAC Primary Swimming Carnival  
Student Enrolment Interviews Y1-12 2016

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**Mark your Diary!**

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**Exciting News - 2012 Year Book**

The College's 2012 Year Book has arrived and is now available for pick-up from the College Office. If you were in attendance at the College in 2012, your family copy is at the office ready for pick-up.

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**Wollondilly Anglican Community Church (WACC) meets in the Clifford Warne Auditorium every Sunday at 9.00 am. Rev Rob Meischke 0437 533 106**

_Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope._ 1 Peter 1:3

As we start this new year, with all the anticipations and fears and delights and risks that come with it, let’s remember the hope that Jesus gives us. Let’s keep our eternity in mind so that we make the most of every moment this year gives us, right from the very start. May God make this a special one for us all.
This week’s Pretend Headmaster Rhami Atalla (KS) gets all set up in the big chair ready for an exciting year!

**Prayer Points**

**Thank God**
- For the 130 new faces that have joined us at Wollondilly and for the way that they have been welcomed by our community
- For the extraordinary efforts of staff towards the successful completion of the Alfred Deakin Administration Centre and the Hospitality Training Facility
- For the caliber of the new staff who have joined us for 2016
- That He watches over us – and never blinks

**Ask God**
- That He will continue to direct our footsteps in 2015
- For safe completion of the Stage 7 Building project

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

Excellence, Endurance, Eternity.