From the Foundation Headmaster

You’re a Shining Star – no matter who you are.

I wonder how God would measure a successful person. Who would He be most proud to call son or daughter? Would it be you? I know it would be John Harpur.

On 14 April 1912 the unsinkable cruise ship – the Titanic – was lost at sea. Four years after the Titanic sank, a young man, finally able to speak of the trauma, rose to his feet in Hamilton, Canada, and said, "I am a survivor of the Titanic". When I was drifting alone on a piece of the ship that awful night, the waves brought John Harpur, of Glasgow, also on a piece of wreck near me.

We spoke for a moment about the cold... then John said... ‘Man, are you saved?’

’No,’ I said. ‘I am not.’

He replied, ‘Christ died for you. Believe it and you will be saved.’

“The waves took John Harpur away; but, strangely brought him back a little later, and he said...

‘Are you saved now?’

’No,’ I said, ‘I cannot honestly say that I am.’ He said again, ‘Christ died for you. Believe it and you will be saved.’ Then He took off his Life Vest and gave it to me and said … “put it on - you need this more than I do”.


John Harpur was an ordinary man with a powerful legacy. The daughter he left behind missed him every day. She was always proud of him.

When we are asked about the heroes of the faith, there is a natural human response that draws us to nominate epic figures like Moses, Joshua, David, Solomon, Noah, Abraham. We measure heroes by the scale of their deeds – parting the sea, building the temple, conquest of nations. Yet, God never seems to do the same. I cannot recall any reference to God being overwhelmed by our success. In fact, God chooses ordinary people to achieve extra-ordinary things.

John Harpur was sure of what he hoped for and certain of what he could not see. When, John encountered an uncertain, unsaved soul he determined that a lifejacket (his life-jacket) was the only thing that could preserve the other man long enough – perhaps – for him to have an eternal reassurance.

The Bible asks the question: What does it profit a man to gain the whole Earth – yet forfeit his soul? The question is timeless – but you only have one lifetime to determine the answer. To store up treasures on Earth at the expense of eternity is to neglect the truth of a timeless maxim …

There are no tow bars on a hearse.
ENROLMENTS

We have continued to receive 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.

Mrs Christine Mozejko
Development Manager

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)

THIRLMERE FESTIVAL OF STEAM — SUNDAY, 1 MARCH

Wollondilly Anglican College is the gold sponsor of the festival so it is VERY important that we have a good turnout of students. Even our three buses will be in the parade as the lead vehicles!

Students are to meet Mr Toland at 12.00 noon under the Wollondilly banner in Westbourne Avenue, Thirlmere, in College uniform (you can change later) to walk in the parade at 1.00 pm.

We would love it if you could come along. Our College Marquee will be in the park all day and we will be giving out free helium balloons which students are encouraged to come and collect to carry in the parade. Come along, have fun and support your College. The Festival opens at 9.00 am.

We look forward to a GREAT festival!

ANZAC DAY

Please note that Anzac Day this year falls on Saturday, 25 April. Keep an eye out in the Waratah weekly in the coming weeks for details of local marches.
Years 11 & 12 Information Night
Tuesday, 24 February in the Warne Auditorium at 7.00 pm.
There will be information on:
• The HSC marking and assessment process
• Some information regarding the calculation of HSC Marks and scaling.
There will also be some information on:
• 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.
• Careers and pathways post school.
We anticipate that students and at least one of their parents attend.
Students are expected to wear their College uniform.

Duke of Edinburgh’s Award Training Day

On Saturday, 7 March a Training Day will be held to prepare students for their first expedition which will occur on the Saturday, 28 and Sunday, 29 March.
Details are as follows:
• Commences at 8.30 am at the College at Melba Ampitheatre and concludes 2.00 pm
• Students will need to bring – hat, sunscreen, water bottle, clothes for walking in bush, suitable shoes for bush walking, a pen, recess and lunch.
• The students will be supervised and instructed by Mr Hicks and Mr Croger
Activities will include instruction on safety, first aid, navigating using a map and compass, equipment to take, route planning for the expedition, requirements and expectations for an expedition, cooking and camping skills.

It is important that students attend this training before they participate in the expedition or expeditions at a later date.

Mr Ian Croger
Deputy Headmaster

COLLEGE PREFECTS

Last Thursday our prefects travelled to St Andrew’s Cathedral in Sydney to attend a service which included an open question and answer session with the Anglican Archbishop of Sydney, a formal church service, and a ceremony to install them as leaders in the College community.
It was an engaging and challenging day. Our prefects conducted themselves with integrity and have discussed their commitment to ‘servant leadership’ as a result of this experience.

Mrs Sarah Talbot
Year 12 Patron
Captains’ Lunch
On Wednesday, 18 February the College Captains gathered together for a Captains’ Lunch. This is a great opportunity to congratulate the Captains on their appointment and to look at the year ahead in their leadership role. The topics of conversation focused on the servant leadership model that the College operates under with regards to student leadership, the previous College leaders who had impacted on the new leaders and on the difference that can be made by the students in leadership roles.

The following students are an outstanding group of leaders who we are very confident will demonstrate this in their roles in 2015.

College Captains – Samuel Gardiner and Laura Fleming
Senior Captains – Max Noakes and Georgie Ainsworth
Middle Captains – Travis Baxter and Nina Hvejsel
Primary Captains – Jack Carroll and Maisie Hart

Pastoral Matters
The following are a list of important reminders that will assist students and parents as we begin to move further into the College year:

- **House Polo Shirts are to be worn for all Carnivals**, please do not wear the College white polo shirt to carnivals.
- All aspects of uniform should be labelled. This is very helpful when they go missing.
- Diaries need to be signed each week by parents. Students who do not have their diaries signed three times in the term will have a letter sent home to their parents. This will also result in a consequence for the student.
- Sports Shoes must be predominantly white sports joggers. They cannot be street, skate or casual shoes even if they are white.
- Piercings other than those permitted in the diary are not to be worn to the College. These piercings must be removed prior to attending the College. Students who wear piercings that are not authorised by the College may be issued with Formal detentions in the Discipline welfare section of the diary or their parents contacted and asked to take them home until the matter is resolved.

Fitbit Flex
Students at the College will be permitted to wear Fitbit Flex devices to the College. The condition to them being worn is that they **must be black** in colour only. The College is conscious of the data that can be provided to individuals who use these devices and the associated health benefits from the information that they provide.

The College does not permit students to wear other types of bands that are purely decorative as these come under the same category as jewellery. The College is not suggesting that parents purchase one of these devices or that they are a necessary item for students.

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

**Taking and Publishing Photos of Students and Staff**
From time to time parents take photos or video of their children at College events.

With the advent of new privacy laws, parents and caregivers are reminded that if they video or take photos of their children at school functions or events they are for their own personal collection.

Regardless of your security settings, images of children other than your own, or photographs of staff should not be put on social media sites. We need to respect the privacy of others.

Parents should avoid including other peoples’ children in their photographs or videos, wherever possible.

Class or group photos should not be uploaded to social media sites.

Please also be aware that photographs that include staff or parents should not be published without their permission.

The College requests that parents and caregivers support us in this area. It would be unfortunate if we needed to review the practice of parents taking photos and videos at College events. Some schools have been forced in this direction.

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**2014 NAPLAN Results**

**NAPLAN Results 2014**
This week, we have included the results from last year’s Year 5 class. Looking back at their Year 3 results, it is great to see how far some of them have come. Not surprisingly, there is a link between the effort that students have made towards focusing on learning and the width of the gap signifying improvement. Over the next few weeks, we will publish NAPLAN results for Years 7 and 9.

**Year 5**
Forty-eight students in Year 3 sat the NAPLAN tests in 2014.
Achievement Bands range from Band 3 (lowest) to Band 8 (Highest). In a remarkable result, 11 students attained a Band 8 result in at least one aspect of Numeracy and Literacy.
Grammar and Punctuation were highlights for the group and three quarters of the students achieved Band 7 or 8 in at least one aspect of Numeracy and Literacy.

The table below shows the percentage of the State and the percentage of the College that scored in the top 4 bands.

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

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**Maths Club 2015**
Over 20 very keen mathematicians turned up for our first lunchtime group. 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 2\textsuperscript{nd} 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 2\textsuperscript{nd} half lunch.

Mr Darren Wayne
Primary Teacher
This week in MISA we played John Therry. Both boys Oz Tag and Volleyball teams were victorious and have maintained their winning streak. The girls’ Basketball finished strong by outscoring their opponent in the second half however unfortunately lost overall. The boys’ Cricket played well but the match finished in a draw with both teams on 72 runs in a reduced overs match.

Next week we play Magdalene:
Oz Tag (boys & girls) – Victoria Park, Minto
Basketball (boys & girls) – Minto Basketball Stadium
Volleyball – Magdalene Catholic School
Cricket – Belgenny Oval

Sporting House Captains:
All sporting house captains will be announced at the beginning of the Swimming Carnival on Friday. Thank you to all the students who applied for these leadership positions. We had over 20 applications from Year 11 students which was fantastic, however, has meant that many quality candidates have unfortunately missed out on these positions.

Swimming Carnival:
A reminder that the Secondary Swimming Carnival will go ahead this Friday despite the possibility of wet weather. All students are reminded to wear full College Sports uniform and are expected to remain in their uniform when not competing.

Mr Mark Goldsbrough
Secondary Sports Coordinator

PRIMARY SPORT

WAC Primary Swimming Carnival 2015
What a wonderful day was had by all the staff, parents and students at our annual event. The proudly dressed up tents with lots of streamers and signs were amazing to look at. A big thank you to all the children that went in the races. It is awesome to see so many children go in events and their friends cheering them wholeheartedly.

A fine group of representative swimmers who will be representing the College at the NASSA carnival at Homebush on Tuesday, 3 March 2015 commencing at 4.00 pm. Permission notes will be given to students in the next week.

Age Champions:
8 years: Peter French and Mia Groom
9 years: Nat Carroll and Miriam Warland
10 years: Mat Eagles and Jessica Fraser
11 years: Heath Kerr and Klarisza Ricciarelli
12 years: Bryce Kerr and Lily Wenman

Primary Athletics Training 2015
Students in Years 3-6 can come along Friday lunchtimes and learn the more technical side of Athletics. I will be coaching one event in a four 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

AFL Auskick after School 4 week Coaching Clinic T-6 2015
We are able to offer this four week program, starting this Friday, 20 February until the Friday, 13 March 2015. It runs for one hour, the times are 2.50 pm - 3.50 pm. There is a small cost involved however each participant receives an AFL backpack, with a footy, cap and much more.

To Register; visit aflauskick.com.au, enter our school postcode and click on the College and follow the steps. Alternatively, you can contact Ben Haywood directly on 0407 433 398.

Mr Darren Wayne
Primary Sports Coordinator
FOOD DRIVE FOR LOCAL FAMILIES
AT TERM SERVICE 20 MARCH 2015

We are again collecting food to be made into meals for local families. Please see the list below:

- Rice - Basmati or long grain
- Dried instant mashed potatoes
- Tinned tomatoes, crushed/diced/whole
- Tinned beans eg cannellini, five bean mix
- Tinned vegetables eg mushrooms, corn
- Tomato paste
- Cooking sauces eg Chicken Tonight products, Kantong
- Coconut milk
- Curry pastes eg Thai, Indian
- Vegetable/olive oil
- Gravy mix
- Vegeta/vegetable stock powder

Gift vouchers or cash for Woolworths or Coles (to be used to purchase meat and poultry). You are also welcome to drop food items into the Office.

Mrs Lynnette Buick
Food Drive Organiser

IPSSO

Next Wednesday we will have the first round of IPSSO for 2015 with all games played at WAC against St Peter’s Anglican Primary School. Junior games will start at 12.05 pm and the seniors at 1.10 pm.

Please be reminded that the following equipment is required:
- Soccer players will need shin pads, and the long green College socks (available at the canteen).
- Cricket players will need a box.
- All students should wear their full sports uniform (white sport shirts).
- Oz taggers can wear moulded studs if they wish but they are not essential.

Students not in correct uniform will not be allowed to represent the College.

COLLEGE SPORT

The College sport program kicked off this week with a visit from the AFL development coaches. In Weeks 5 to 7, students will take part in activities run by NRL development officers.

Outside of these sessions, the skill focuses for this term are; striking, kicking and invasion strategies. Activities will involve applying strategies and skills in team based environments.

Mr Stuart Houweling
IPPSO and College Sport Organiser
LIONS YOUTH OF THE YEAR

On Tuesday, 17 February Tyler Wilson of Year 11 and Max Noakes of Year 10 represented the College in the local Lions Youth of the Year Club competition.

As part of the competition, Tyler and Max were required to attend a personal interview where they were questioned on current events and their knowledge of the local area. They then presented a prepared and an impromptu speech to the Lions Club at their meeting in Thirlmere. Both students received high praise from the judges who commented on the strength of their presentations and the maturity with which they conducted themselves. They are outstanding representatives of the College.

DEBATING NEWS

It is debating season again and this year the College will be entering teams from Years 5 to 12 in both the MISA and HICES Debating competitions. This will give the students the opportunity to meet and compete against students from a wide range of schools including Broughton Anglican College, Nowra, Illawarra Grammar School, Oxley and Chevalier.

A large number of students expressed their interest in being part of the debating squads and so a workshop day was held in the Secondary school at the end of last year. During the workshop sessions the students had the opportunity to participate in teams in the preparation of a debate. They learnt about the importance of clear topic definitions and ways to build a strong team line. All students showed great enthusiasm and a willingness to take on the intellectual challenge that debating offers.

Teams have been selected for both the HICES and MISA competitions. The first round of the HICES Competition will be held at Broughton Anglican College on Tuesday, 24 February.

Mrs Wendy Croger
English Coordinator

HSC DANCE EXCURSION

On Friday, 13 February, our HSC dance students had the pleasure of attending an exclusive composition and performance workshop with esteemed HSC Dance tutors from around NSW. Students were able to develop and demonstrate both choreographic and technique based work which will contribute to their final Core submissions for HSC Composition and Performance.

After the workshop, students also attended the 2015 Callback Showcase which presents the best core and major submissions from the 2014 Dance HSC practical examinations. This showcase is always a thoroughly enjoyable production and acts as inspiration and motivation for students to set high standards for themselves when creating and performing their own works. A great day was had by all and students are now eager and ready to aim high in the coming two terms of practical study.

Mrs Samara Hedges
Dance Studies and PDHPE
10 FACTS ABOUT MUSIC, FROM THE ‘DOSOMETHING.ORG’ CAMPAIGN:

- Children who study music tend to have larger vocabularies and more advanced reading skills than their peers who do not participate in music lessons.
- Children with a learning disability, who tend to lose focus in a noisy environment, could benefit greatly from music lessons.
- Music programs are constantly in danger of being cut from shrinking school budgets even though they're proven to improve academics. We are blessed that the College greatly values Music and the benefits it provides for student learning.
- Children who study a musical instrument are more likely to excel in all of their studies, work better in teams, have enhanced critical thinking skills, stay in school, and pursue further education.
- In the past, secondary students who participated in a music group at school reported the lowest lifetime and current use of all substances (tobacco, alcohol, and illicit drugs).
- Schools with music programs have an estimated 90.2% graduation rate and 93.9% attendance rate compared to schools without music education, which average 72.9% graduation and 84.9% attendance.
- Regardless of socioeconomic status or school district, students who participate in high-quality music programs score 22% better on English and 20% better on math standardized exams.
- Much like expert technical skills, mastery in arts and humanities is closely correlated to high earnings.
- Young children who take music lessons show different brain development and improved memory over the course of a year, compared to children who do not receive musical training.
- A 2004 Stanford University study showed that mastering a musical instrument improves the way the human brain processes parts of spoken language.

At the College we have an amazing array of opportunities for students to learn and participate in Music. Make the most of your child's time at the College and get involved with some or all of the activities offered. After all as Friedrich Nietzsche says 'A life without music would be a mistake.'

Have a great musical week

Mr Simon Denley
Creative Arts Coordinator

SECONDARY MUSICAL REHEARSALS

This week at musical rehearsals we finished blocking the first scene. Next week (Monday, 23 February) we will be looking at adding the adult characters into the first scene, choreographing the dance moments in the first scene, and learning ‘Get Your Head in the Game’ and all of the scenes that come before this song.

Students are asked to learn their lines and practise their songs to enable this to run smoothly. Please also remember to bring a bottle of water, change of clothes and healthy snack to rehearsals.

Mrs Sarah Talbot
Musical Director
Year 7 have returned from a fantastic time away at Bundeena, staying at Rathane campsite. I was happy to see the great friendships that were formed as old and new Wollondilly students combined to solve challenges and participate in activities. Who could forget the abseiling where many people conquered their fears or the dragon boats where teamwork was used to conquer Port Hacking. Even though sleep was low on the priority list, food was plentiful!!

Thank you Year 7 for the fun times and your responsible actions. Thanks also to Mr Shellshear, Mrs Zvargulis, Mrs Rockwell and Mr Croger for spending time away from their families.

Mr Craig Russell
Year Patron
SECONDARY HOMEWORK CLUB—2015

Homework Club commenced yesterday for students from Years 7-12. We encourage our regular attendees 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)

WOLLONDILLY ILLUMINARTE FESTIVAL DIGITAL WORKSHOP

In partnership with the Wollondilly Council and Arts NSW, students in Year 9 and 10 Visual Arts were invited to participate in the 2015 ‘IlluminARTE’ festival. Wollondilly’s cultural and artistic diversity will be showcased through a vibrant festival IlluminARTe, where artworks will be projected on landmark buildings, walls and public spaces. The festival is based upon VIVID Sydney and will see digital projections of artworks and coloured lighting on seven buildings in Menangle Street Picton.

Council has invited our Stage 5 elective Visual Arts students to be involved in the IlluminARTe Festival and on Tuesday, 17 February offered our students the opportunity to conduct a Digital Art Workshops by renowned Digital Artist Khaled Sabsabi at Wollondilly Anglican College with the intent that the artworks created will be projected into a building as part of the festival.

The workshop facilitators did a show and tell presentation into video mapping and explored three concepts with students through-out the day. The students were involved in portrait photography ‘Faces of the new generation’, large collaborative group drawing/stop motion - ‘The importance of light on your community’ and a digital photography workshop titled ‘A life of a young person living in Wollondilly Shire’. Students were asked to take photos and digitally edit them, for their use in the projection event content development. We would like to thank David Kirkpatrick and Jerome Pearce who facilitated the workshops in photoshop wrap editing, painting with light slow motion photography and stop-motion animation.

IlluminARTe Wollondilly Festival on Saturday, 11 April 2015, in partnership with Wollondilly Shire Council, Regional Arts NSW and Southern Tablelands ARTS. Please save this date on your calendar for a fun night out with the family and a chance to see some of our students works showcased on architectural buildings in Picton. See the Council website for more details about the event.

Mrs Belinda Taylor
Art Teacher
On Wednesday, 25 February students in Year 11 Geography will be travelling to the South Coast to take part in a depth study of the biophysical environment, identifying interactions between the four spheres in a coastal environment. They will also be involved in collaborative sharing of knowledge and skills, working along with the Year 11 Geography students from Macarthur Anglican School to complete various fieldwork activities. This excursion fulfils part of the Stage 6 Geography syllabus requirement for fieldwork.

Permission notes have been distributed and are due back to Mrs Miller by Monday, 23 February.

Important information:
- Leaving at 8.10 am and returning approximately by 5.30 pm (students will contact parents/caregivers to confirm the time of return to the College at the end of the excursion)
- Wear casual clothes appropriate to the activities we will be undertaking on the excursion (see permission note for details)
- Bring College diary, pen and pencil (a workbook will be distributed for the excursion)
- NO canteen facilities available so BRING all food and drink
- Cost is included in the College Service Fee

**COMMERCE EXCURSION TO CAMPBELLTOWN COURT HOUSE**

As part of their studies of the ‘Law in Action’, the Year 9 and 10 Commerce classes will be travelling to the Campbelltown Court House. The visit will develop and richly enhance the students understanding of our legal system and how it functions.

This excursion has been made possible through the support of four parents and I would like to express my sincere gratitude to them: Mrs Harris, Ms Brereton, Mrs Thain and Mr Bethune.

Please note that the excursion will take place on two separate days. This is due to a limitation set by the Court on the size of groups which visit it.

The Year 9 class plus eight nominated students from the Year 10 class will undertake their excursion on Thursday, 5 March. The remainder of the Year 10 class will undertake their excursion on Friday, 20 March.

Travel plans will be the same for both days.

- Students need to meet at Tahmoor Train Station at 7.30 am for a 7.49 am train to Campbelltown.
- Students will arrive back at Tahmoor Train Station at 2.58 pm for parent/carer pick-up.

Train fares will be covered by the College Service Fee. Permission notes need to be returned by Thursday, 26 February.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact me at the College. I am really looking forward to what promises to be an enriching experience.

**CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY 2015 – SUNDAY, 1 MARCH**

On Sunday, 1 March we will be participating in Clean Up Australia Day once again. We will be cleaning up a local site in Bargo (meet at the corner of Tylers and Silica Road) from 9.00 am to 11.00 am.

The CUAD website reports that last year, thanks to an estimated 572,406 volunteers we cleaned up 15,708 tonnes at 7,140 sites across Australia.

I invite you to be a part of this year’s crew. You may participate as a family or as a student. Please note that volunteers 15 years and under need to have consent to participate and be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian.

You must register online to be a part of this. Go to [http://www.cleanupaustraliaday.org.au/join/](http://www.cleanupaustraliaday.org.au/join/) and search for ‘Registered Sites’ in Bargo. Once you have registered, you need to let me know that you are participating.

I really hope you can join me in doing something that counts

Mr Jay Hart (Secondary Teacher)
In the first week of the June/July College holidays, Wollondilly Anglican will take a small team of students to Arnhem Land to work alongside MAF (Mission Aviation Fellowship). Students from Years 10 and 11 are invited to apply for this experience. Students will be notified at assembly about the experience and an information evening will be conducted on Thursday, 5 March at 7.00 pm in the Flynn Amphitheatre for interested students and their parents.

Why are we doing this?
- To give our students a chance to broaden their experiences of another culture
- To develop a sense of teamwork and purpose for students and teachers involved
- Allow an opportunity for students to nurture their faith and experience first-hand how missionaries serve God in a remote area of Australia
- To assist in the spread of the Gospel amongst the people of Arnhem Land
- To offer assistance and support to our hard working missionaries, Craig and Red Fulton

Who?
- Two Staff (Mr Michael Cassidy and Mrs Pauline Cochrane)
- Selected student ambassadors based on the application criteria

Proposed Date:
Friday, 26 June 2015 until Saturday, 4 July 2015

Cost?
Approximate Cost $1900 each – This should include everything (all activities, food, flights and accommodation, etc.) Extra money for food in Cairns and for personal shopping.

Student selection criteria
- Students need to be in Years 10 or 11 at Wollondilly Anglican College.
- Student must demonstrate an interest in serving others and committed to spreading the gospel through acts of service.
- Exemplary behaviour record throughout their College education.
- Ability and willingness to talk publicly about their experience in their own Church, other local Churches and at College Chapel.
- Ability to work as a member of a team.

CAREERS CORNER

Tax File Numbers in Schools Program
Unfortunately the Australian Taxation Office has cancelled the TFN in schools program. Students will now have to apply for their TFN using the guide below.

How students can apply for a TFN from 1 January 2015
The Australian Taxation Office in partnership with Australia Post is making it easier for individuals to apply for a TFN. Students can now apply for a TFN online and have their identity verified through an interview at a participating Australia Post office.

Applying online is the fastest and most convenient way for students to get a TFN. More information on applying online can be found at ato.gov.au by searching for 'QC27248'.

Students who are unable to visit a participating Australia Post office will need to complete the application form Tax file number - application or enquiry for individuals form (NAT 1432). More information about lodging this form can be found at ato.gov.au by searching for 'QC22604'.

If you require any further information you can phone the ATO on 1300 130 282 between 8.00 am and 5.00 pm Monday to Friday.

Mr Michael Cassidy  
Secondary Teacher
You are warmly invited to come along to the P&F AGM on **Monday, 9 March**. We meet once a month except in school holidays. Meetings are held in the Admin building at 7.00 pm and all are welcome.

“Many hands make light work” that is how the P&F operates. Everyone is welcome. If you can’t make it to a meeting, then please get involved at an event. Half an hour can give someone a well-earned break. The mission of the P&F is FUNdraising and friendraising. New ideas are always encouraged. You will make great friends, get behind the scenes info on the College and actively demonstrate that you are interested in your child’s world.

The P&F has one major fundraiser each term, each requiring a team to make it happen. There are also several other subcommittees that would also appreciate your assistance.

**Executive positions:**
The President presides at all meetings of the Association and in their absence the Vice President. **Position vacant.**
The Vice President supports the president. **Position vacant.**
The Secretary records minutes of all meetings, attends to the correspondence of the Association and generally acts according to the direction of the Executive. **Nomination accepted.**
The Treasurer receives all money payable to the Association, presents the revenue and expenditure account and balance sheet at each meeting and arranges for the annual revenue and expenditure documents to be audited and certified by the auditors appointed at the previous Annual General Meeting. **Nomination accepted**

If you are interested in the presidency or vice presidency, please speak to the Mrs Hay in the College office.

**Coordinator positions vacant:**
Advertising: Ensures press releases reach the appropriate media within the deadline and ensures the web page is up to date.
Sponsorship: Coordinates communication to businesses for donations to P&F events.
If you are interested in a coordinator position, please contact Danielle Turner on pandfpresident@wac.nsw.edu.au or 0422 973 082.

Subcommittees welcoming team members:
Country Fair
Car Show
Mothers/Fathers Day stalls
Hospitality
Sponsorship

**WAC 10 YEAR ANNIVERSARY COOKBOOK – open for extras!**
At last it’s happening, the WAC 10 year cookbook is in the final stages of production. Yes we know it has been a long time coming but it’s well worth the wait.

We are reopening for submissions of recipes. If you missed your chance last time or joined the College after August 2013 we would love you to submit your **FAVOURITE FAMILY RECIPES!!**

This very special colour commemorative cookbook is being compiled by a local chef and includes a special celebrity chef endorsement. The professionally bound quality of the book ensures it will be a treasured keepsake. Categories in the cookbook are as tempting as :
- Kickstart Breakfasts and Snacks
- Soups and Starters
- Finger foods
- Salads and Dressings
- Vegetarian and Allergy Friendly
- Meals in a Tick
- Delectable Deserts
- Afternoon Tea time
- Fun with Kids
- Drinks and other liquid Delights

Families of the College are invited to submit favourite family recipes that will appear in the book with their family name.

If you are copying a recipe from another favourite cookbook or website, we will need the name of that book/website for copyright issues.

Recipes can be printed or written out and placed in an envelope addressed to Cookbook Coordinator and left at the office or emailed directly to Lianne Williams (lianne@sproutscatering.com.au).

**Mrs Danielle Turner—P&F President**
Congratulations to Tameka Den and Kaitlyn Williams who attended Dapto Athletics Carnival on Sunday, 8 February. They were representing their club, Wollondilly Little Athletics Club.

Tameka Den had received ribbon awards for 4th place in the Shot Put, Long Jump, 50m, 100m and 200m. She was awarded a Bronze medal for the 300m.

Kaitlyn Williams had received a ribbon award for the 300m. She was also awarded Gold medals for both the 50m and 100m, Silver medals for both the 200m and Long Jump, Bronze medal for the Shot Put.

Congratulations to Billy Syphers (Year 6) who came third in the round robin event of the NASSA Primary Tennis Competition in Wollongong last week. He has now been invited to compete in the NSWCIS Tennis trials at the Kings School on Monday, 23 February.

Congratulations to Dane Clark (Year 4) who has recently won a National Karate title with less than two years of training under his belt! Dane started learning the basic stances and techniques of karate just over a year ago. And he recently won a national title in the 2014 Australian Martial Arts Championships at the Sydney Netball Centre in Lidcombe. Dane practices Uechi-ryu karate, kobudo and muay Thai.
The Dead Sea has long been a place of fortune, legend and mystery. The Egyptians were wise to its properties in using its balms for mummification. During the days of Herod the Great the Dead Sea was 'recruited' as a health resort. From pre-history to the discovery of the Dead Sea Scrolls, it has captured mankind's attention. It fascinates my mind too. (You may think that to be a simple task; you would be correct.)

The Dead Sea is the lowest elevation upon the earth's surface at 423 meters below sea level and is bordered by the world's lowest road (but this stands to reason).

The Dead Sea is constantly filled by the Jordan River's flow, but there is no outlet.

Well over a century ago, with a deliberately leading question D.L.Moody asked -"why is the Dead Sea dead?"

His astute but non-scientific answer: *Because it is all the time receiving but never giving out anything.*

But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only ... for faith without works is dead. (James 1:22, 2:26)

*Still water stagnates, faith likewise.*

Christians are reborn to be rivers for they were never called to be reservoirs.

*Today's Soul Snippet:*
"Prayers are like true love, they have no limits of distance." — anon
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 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

Tahmoor/Bargo Cubs: Boys and Girls welcome! Monday night 6.00 pm - 7.30 pm (7.5 years to 11 years old). For more information please contact Phil Norton 4681 8811

WALKING THE CAMINO Friday, 20 March, 7.00 pm. Audio-visual presentation by Peter Kearney about the Camino de Santiago, an 800 km pilgrimage walk through northern Spain. Peter walked this path in 2012. Photos & music on large screen television with live commentary by Peter. Suggested donation $10.00 / $8.00 concession at door. Limited seating - registration essential via email to Peter: camino@peterkearneysongs.com.au Specify venue location 'Gwynneville' and number of seats needed. "Easily the best account of the Camino I have seen. Peter's commentary and selection of music accompany a brilliant array of photos." (John Dawson)

Boots N Scoots Linedancing: Our NEW beginners course, no dancing experience required! Held at the Bargo Community Hall, Radnor Road, Bargo. For more information please contact Daniel 0420 302 608

Wollondilly Council invites all young learner drivers to a 'FREE' Learner Driver Log Book Run event. This event is being held on Sunday, 22 February starting at 9.30 am in Council. Places are limited. To make a booking, please contact Council’s Road Safety Officer on 4677 1188 or email leanne.ledwidge@wollondilly.nsw.gov.au

We would love for you to join us in celebration at our Youth Mass on Sunday, 21 February and 21, March at St Anthony’s Catholic Parish in Tahmoor. Opportunities for youth to participate in the choir, band ensemble, reading and offertory procession is available. Come along this week and be a part of it. If you have any questions please contact Julie 4683 3575

Tahmoor Presbyterian Church are holding "Welcome Wednesdays!" between 10.00 am - 12.00 pm (held on the last Wednesday of the month), come along for a free cuppa, purchase second hand clothes, rest and relax! For more information please call 4681 0702

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

New prices are now in place. Please refer to your new yellow price list and discard the old green one. If for some reason your family did not receive one you can pick one up from the canteen or alternately view it on the College website.

Canteen roster, Term 1, 2015

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Think healthy, Eat healthy, Live healthy!
Mrs Carolyn Richards
**Headmasterly Happenings**

**February**

- **Thursday 19**  
  Student Enrolment Interviews Y1-12 2016  
  Junior Chapel  
  SASC IT Manager meeting with Headmaster and IT Team

- **Friday 20**  
  WAC Secondary Swimming Carnival  
  Student Enrolment Interviews Y1-12 2016  
  Meeting with SASC Educational Consultant  
  Meeting with SASC Education Facilitator

- **Monday 23**  
  Consultant meeting for Examinations and Educational Trends

- **Tuesday 24**  
  Executive Meeting  
  Student Enrolment Interviews Y1-12 2016

- **Wednesday 25**  
  IPSSO Heads Meeting – Thomas Hassall Anglican College  
  (Evening) IPSSO Heads

- **Thursday 26**  
  Student Enrolment Interviews Y1-12 2016  
  College Senior Management meeting  
  Junior Chapel

- **Friday 27**  
  Student Enrolment Interviews Y1-12 2016

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**Mark your Diary!**

- **Friday, 20 February**  
  Secondary Swimming Carnival

- **Tuesday, 24 February**  
  Year 11 & 12 Information Night (7.00 pm)

- **Wednesday, 25 February**  
  Year 11 Geography Trip

- **Saturday, 28 February**  
  Scholarship Test

- **Sunday, 1 March**  
  Thirlmere Steam Festival

- **Tuesday, 3 March**  
  NASSA Junior Swimming

- **Wednesday, 4 March**  
  NASSA Senior Swimming

- **Saturday, 7 March**  
  Working Bee (8.00 am start)

- **Friday, 20 March**  
  Term Service—Kinder performing (7.00 pm)

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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

**Ecclesiastes 1:9**  
What has been will be again,  
what has been done will be done again;  
there is nothing new under the sun.

It matters to have a reason for doing what we do. It matters to have a sense of purpose, so that we're not overcome by meaninglessness and endless repetition. It's good to know that God gives us an eternal reason to enjoy this life and look forward to the next. A great big picture makes the daily grind much more meaningful.
This week’s Pretend Headmaster Noah Bawden (KS) raises the idea of AFL posts on the back oval with Mr Schroder during their weekly meeting.

Prayer Points

Thank God

- For the true heroes of the faith. Those who live as a beacon of Christ – often without words.
- For our law enforcement agencies.
- For His rich providence in the Stage 7 building which is nearing completion
- That He watches over us – and never blinks

Ask God

- For wisdom in planning for Stage 8 and for the tender process
- That this College may always be a place on which His blessing rests

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

Excellence, Endurance, Eternity.