From time to time I find myself defending the actions of impetuous youth. By and large, Wollondilly students, like their age cohort across Sydney, NSW, Australia and, I suspect, globally, make dumb choices. Sure, it is my experience that WAC students make less dumb choices than the average teen but they are, by no means, exempt. My argument typically points out that for every silly action; there are dozens of great decisions that go unnoticed. I have plenty of evidence of courageous, selfless and noble deeds by our students to keep the conversation going.

I was busily defending Australian youth just the other day, when my attention was drawn by my conversational adversary to a news report of a North Shore student who passed out at a party (one can only speculate as to what actions caused a student to pass out at a party in the first place) and then decided to liven things up by asking his friends to set him on fire. Driven by disbelief, I ventured to check the story out. Alas; it was true!

He asked them to burn his legs. As an encore, he challenged them to set fire to increasingly sensitive areas of his anatomy. Inevitably, his clothes caught fire and he wound up being rushed to hospital.

I suspect that he imagined the headlines the next day (if he thought at all) to read something like – “Hero livens up party on the Northern Beaches with immense act of bravery and stunning ability to withstand pain.” Instead the headlines read “18 year old recovering in hospital, (whimpering in pain) from extensive burns to his body following (brainless) party stunt. Friend questioned by police”. Doctors warned that the stunt could have been fatal.

Hero or dipstick? – Time’s up.

Two frogs lived in a marsh. They were very happy there. But as the middle of summer approached the marsh began to dry up. It was completely dry in a few days. So, the frogs left. Soon they reached a deep well. They sat on its edge and looked inside. It had a lot of water in it.

One of the frogs was so overjoyed to see the water that he said, “This well looks great. It will be cool and safe inside it. Let’s jump in and settle there.”

But the other frog was wiser. “Not so soon, my friend. We left the marsh when it had dried up. So, first think how will we escape if the well goes dry.”

Think before you act. It is a characteristic that we value and encourage at the College. One of the differences between animals and people is the capacity to think before they react. In truth, both frogs probably would have jumped into the well. It is only when we give them voices and human characteristics that the story makes sense.

Yet again, it is debatable that even a frog has more sense than an 18 year old who wakes up after passing out at a party and decides that it would be fun to set on fire.

Before you pray, forgive. Before you quit, try."

Jan Cubbon Miesse
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

MOTHER’S DAY GIFTS - WRAPPING DAY (FRIDAY, 1 MAY)

Come one, come all, make some new friends, have some fun and have a sneak peak at the Mother’s Day gifts for this year.

Any time that you can spare to help wrap will be greatly appreciated.

We will be wrapping the gifts in Fred's Shed on Friday, 1 May between 8.00 am till 2.30 pm.

Hope to see you there

Mrs Vanessa McPherson
Mothers’ Day Coordinator

NAPLAN RESULTS 2014

Earlier this year we published the Year 12 results. We also published NAPLAN results for Year 3 and Year 5. As promised, over the next two issues we will publish results for Year 7 and Year 9.

Year 7
87 students in Year 7 sat the NAPLAN tests in 2014.

Achievement Bands range from Band 4 (lowest) to Band 9 (Highest). Two students achieved Band 9 for every category of Literacy and, remarkably, nine students achieved this for numeracy. 27 students received a Band 9 in at least one category of Literacy and Numeracy.

But this College has never just focused on high achievement at the expense of a focus on all students and striving for personal best. The fine efforts of Primary staff over the years, when joined with the efforts of early intervention and the reinforcement of a learning culture in the Secondary years has certainly reaped rewards for this group. Over 50% of students were placed in the top three bands for all measured areas and the group compares very favourably against state benchmarks.

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

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It should not surprise too many that a College with four libraries would produce prolific and competent readers.
Learning Culture - Study Planner
At the beginning of this year all Year 7 students and new secondary students should have received a Study Planner to assist them with their organisation in the completion of homework, assignments and study.
Feedback from a number of Year 11 and 12 students, suggest that they are finding it helpful.
Have parents asked their children about it yet? Have they sat down with them and assisted them in using it? They are great tips on the back for parents and students.

Term 2 Leave Arrangements
Mrs Croger and I are fortunate enough to be taking Long Service Leave in Term 2. The following arrangements will be in place:

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TERM 2 – COMMENCES MONDAY 20 APRIL – WEEK A

Mr Ian Croger
Deputy Headmaster
College Uniform - Update
From the start of Term 2 2015 it will be compulsory for all students to have and be wearing the new College Sports Socks. Thank you to those parents who have already purchased these and have their children wearing them to the College.
This will be the expectation for all students on Sports days, when representing the College at sporting events and at Carnivals from the start of Term 2. The socks are available for purchase at Lowes. It is preferred but optional for Year 12 students to have the new Sports Socks and wear them as part of the uniform but they may also choose to continue with the current sock requirements as part of the uniform guidelines.
Please be reminded that the Girls Summer uniform socks years K-10 and year 11 Senior socks will be a compulsory uniform item commencing in Term 4 2015.

Term Service
Last Friday night the Term 1, Term Service was held at the College with a very strong attendance from the College community. It is always a great opportunity to meet as a community and hear God’s word. I would like to acknowledge the work of Mrs Clark and Mrs Hay, especially behind the scenes and the work that goes into making an event like that the night that it was.
I would also like to thank the students who were involved on the night and the staff who worked with them as part of the preparations for the event. The other exciting component of the evening was the generosity demonstrated as part of the Food Drive. The donations were overwhelming on the night and will certainly make the lives a bit easier for those in our community who are doing things tough. All students who attended Term Service will be issued with a Community Service Merit as well as a point toward their House as part of the Overall House Shield.
The Food Drive points which were based on the donations that were handed in on the evening also will contribute to the Overall House Shield.
The points were as follows:
Wollemi - 182
Acacia - 162
Sollya - 143
Grevillia - 140
Telopea - 91

Peer Support
This is the final week of the Peer Support program. The groups will continue to meet and maintain connections in a variety of ways throughout the year. The focus of the final session is to review skills, concepts and strategies covered throughout the Resilience module.
The session also touches on the importance of celebrating the achievement of others without feeling threatened by their knowledge and efforts. Training in any activity strengthens us and practising effective responses makes them seem more natural. Encourage your child to consistently use open thoughts to grow from each of life’s experiences.
These are not reserved for the times we experience setbacks.

Mr Liam Toland
Director of Pastoral Care T-12
Open Classrooms T– 6
On Thursday, 2 April parents are invited to come into their child’s classroom to see their work from 2.35 pm. This is a great opportunity for you to discuss your child’s work with them and to see what learning they have achieved. I encourage you to make the time for this, as children love it when their parents come into the classroom to see their work.

Primary Maths Club 2015
Don’t forget to remind your budding mathematician to come along every Monday, 2nd half lunch at Banks 5 Computer Lab. There is lots of practice on times tables and number games. Everyone is welcome from Years 3-6 and last week I nearly got run over by some very excited Stage 2 students in their haste to get there. I will pick Years 3 and 4 up from their playground and Years 5 and 6 can meet me at the door.

Mr Darren Wayne
Primary Teacher

Easter Chapel (T - 4)
On Thursday, 2 April we will be having our Easter Chapel starting at 1.30 pm. Year 4 will be ‘running’ chapel.

ANZAC CENTENARY:
100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE LANDING AT GALLIPOLI

This year marks the centenary of Australia’s involvement in World War I. Students are encouraged to support this event. Those who attend the services in their full winter uniform will receive a Community Service award.

Please keep reading the Waratah each week for information on other local services and marches.

Details of ANZAC Services we have received so far:

ANZAC DAY: (Saturday, 25 April 2015)

Picton: Meet at 5.45 am in the parking area behind the Picton Hotel for a 6.00 am march and dawn service.

Hill Top: 6.00 am at Hill Top Memorial Hall.

Camden: Dawn Service: 5.30 am Camden Bicentennial Equestrian Park RSL Memorial, Cawdor Road, Camden March and Community Service 10.30 am. Those who would like to march are asked to assemble in Elizabeth Street between Mitchell and Elizabeth Streets from 10.00 am with the March commencing at 10.30 am. The March will then move to Camden Bicentennial Equestrian Park for the commencement of the 2015 Camden ANZAC Day Commemoration Service at 10.45 am. Please let Mrs. Maher know as soon as possible if you are participating in this march. I.maher@wac.nsw.edu.au

Thirlmere: Saturday, 18 April — commencing at 11.00 am in the Mason Street School park. Meet at IGA Thirlmere at 10.45 am
On Thursday, 19 March the College hosted the second round of the HICES debating competition for the Southern region. Seven schools from the South Coast, Illawarra and Macarthur regions fielded teams competing in four divisions. The focus of topics in all divisions this year was Gallipoli.

Throughout the afternoon and evening there was a great deal of activity with different debates being held in 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 they 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 Coordinator

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**Staff Profile**

Emily Bailey - TAS Teacher

Where did you grow up? – Orangeville

Favourite food? – Lebanese

Favourite music? – Alternative

Favourite book? – James Patterson series

Interests and hobbies? – Art, music/gigs. Cooking, op shopping
Please read the information that follows regarding the response form the major political parties in regard to fees for independent schools. It is incredulous to note that the Greens continue to labour under the presumption that parents of schools like ours are very wealthy and that the taxes parent’s pay should be further redistributed away from their own educational choice. The Association of Independent Schools has worked hard on behalf of parents to obtain a response from each party for information on the future prospects for parents in what is a significant household budget consideration.

2015 NSW State Election – school education policies

The Association of Independent Schools of NSW (AIS) said today that parents of students in independent schools should consider carefully the impact on their child’s education of the policies of the parties contesting the NSW state election on Saturday, 28th March 2015.

“There is considerable divergence in the approach and the impacts that each party’s school education policies will have on independent schools and their communities. It is important that parents are aware of the nature of these policies and how they could affect their children’s education if implemented”, said Dr Geoff Newcombe, Executive Director of the AIS.

To date, the Baird Government has made a number of pre-election commitments that follow on from ongoing and productive discussions between the government and the non-government schools sectors in recent months.

The NSW Greens this week released their school education and funding policies which demonstrate clearly their strong opposition to the existence of non-government schools and for the funding of students who attend them.

Dr Newcombe stated: “The Greens’ opposition to independent schools is in stark contrast to the views of most in the community who recognise the importance and value of independent schools in educating young Australians. The policies released this week by the NSW Greens clearly demonstrate that they are only interested in making it more difficult or even impossible for independent schools to exist.”

Dr Newcombe also expressed disappointment at the lack of any announcement or commitment from the Labor Party with respect to non-government schools.

“One week out from the election and, despite a number of requests for details of the NSW Opposition’s policies on non-government schooling, there have been no announcements to show whether or not they are supportive of the one-third of families who choose a non-government school for their children’s education. This is very disappointing.”

“We hope that the lack of information from the ALP about their funding policies for non-government schools is not signalling a return to the days of the NSW Teachers Federation having undue influence over the school funding policies of the Labor Party”, Dr Newcombe said.

The policies and commitments made by the parties so far are detailed below.
School education policies and announcements relating to non-government schools

NSW Liberal-National Coalition

- A strong commitment to parental choice in schooling.
- Continuing increases in annual recurrent funding for non-government schools that reflect enrolment increases as well as the rising costs of education provision.
- The provision of an additional $321 million in funding to non-government schools under the terms of the six year ‘Gonski Agreement’ from 2014 – 2019, and continuing to seek the full six year commitment to additional funding from the Commonwealth Government.
- Assurances that it will respond to the need for additional capital funding to meet projected demand for new schools and additional classrooms to accommodate the growth in student enrolments expected over the next 15 years. This includes the identification and planning of new school sites in high-growth, low socio-economic areas of Sydney.

NSW Greens

- Redirect all $1bn in annual state funding of non-government schools to government schooling. This would return funding levels for non-government schools to 2003 levels.
- Funding of ongoing maintenance and refurbishment work in government schools by imposing land taxes and other charges on non-government schools.

The NSW Greens Education Policy (August 2014) also states the following aims:

- Abolish all state government funding of non-government schools. Public funds that are given to these schools under current arrangements should be committed instead to equity programs within the public school system.
- As long as state government funding of non-government schools continues, the NSW Greens believe that all public funding of the wealthiest private schools should be abolished and the public funds that are given to these schools under current arrangements should be committed instead to equity programs within the public school system.
- capital works should be funded only in government schools.
- abolish the present land tax exemptions for non-government educational institutions.

NSW Labor Party

No announcements or commitments have been made with respect to school education policies or funding for non-government schools.

Authorised by Dr Geoff Newcombe, Executive Director, Association of Independent Schools of NSW
**NEWS FROM THE INFORMATION RESOURCE CENTRES**

**Literacy Week:** Secondary Male Staff Visiting the Primary School.
The teachers enjoyed visiting the junior students and shared their love of reading and literacy. Hopefully the children are inspired to keep looking for that book that they will really enjoy.

**Scholastic Bookclub:** All orders need to be back at the office by Thursday, 26 March so we can process them and hopefully get them back before the end of term.

*Live a life well read*  
*Mrs Louise Saint-John*  
*IRC Coordinator*
MISA
This week in MISA we played Mount Carmel in a rain interrupted round. Our 8/9 Boys’ Basketball had a fantastic win 17-15 with Jacob Hall shooting the team to victory in the final minute. Both the girls’ Basketball and both Volleyball teams were defeated this week. Oz Tag and Cricket did not get to play due to the heavy rain on Tuesday afternoon.

Next week are Term 1 Finals for all MISA teams. These fixtures will be finalised by the end of this week when final placings have been determined. Good luck to all of our teams.

Term 2 MISA Trials will take place on the first Tuesday after the holidays. A full list of Term 2 sports is displayed on the sports noticeboard.

CIS Sports
Congratulations to both Tim Ryan (Year 9) and Ryan King (Year 11) who competed at CIS events last week. Tim qualified for the NSW All Schools Junior Golf Championships which is a two day event held in the Blue Mountains next term. Ryan was selected in the CIS under 17’s Softball team to compete later this year.

CIS is a very high level of competition with students from all NSW Independent Schools being eligible for these teams. To make these teams is a great accomplishment so well done boys.

Secondary Cross Country Carnival
The Secondary Carnival is on Thursday, 2 April. Students are allowed to wear their house shirt and sports uniform for that day. All students are expected to participate to the best of their ability to gain as many points as they can for their house. A reminder for all students that the carnival begins after roll call and will conclude at recess. All students must come prepared for their subjects from recess onwards (Periods 4-6).

School/Rec Sports:
Rotation 2 will begin next week (week 10). All students MUST come prepared for their new sport. These have been posted on the sports noticeboard and will be announced at Monday’s Assembly as a reminder. Please take note that Gym and Kickboxing require a towel as part of the required uniform. This is for hygiene purposes. Students doing swimming must bring appropriate swimwear/goggles and a towel.

UPCOMING DATES:
Sport Group Rotation 2 commences – Tuesday, 31 March
Secondary Cross Country – Thursday, 2 April
Term 2 MISA Trials – Tuesday, 21 April
NASSA Netball – Wednesday, 22 April
NASSA Cross Country – Monday, 27 April

Mr Mark Goldsbrough
Secondary Sports Coordinator
PRIMARY SPORT

Primary Athletics Training 2015
This week we started Long Jump and many new faces arrived. We are also blessed to have Year 7 student, Kirra Bennett-Smith who competes at State level kindly offer to help the program. We practised correct positioning of feet and the use of our arms and hips when jumping. Our next lesson will look at correct run up and take off. Girls, please remember to bring your shorts. Please meet Mr Wayne in front of Elizabeth at the start of Lunch 1 with your lunch. This program is for anyone in Years 3-6.

Rugby League Hindmarsh/Noble Cup Legends Seven’s 2015
Well done to all teams who played extremely well and just missed out making the finals. I heard the try of the carnival was a Harry Davies grubber kick to Thomas Chell who scored an amazing try.

WAC Primary Cross Country (Years 3 – 6) 2015
It’s that time to grab the joggers and get ready for the annual carnival. This will be held at the College on Wednesday, 1 April 2015, starting at 12.45 pm. Senior ages (12 years old) run first and the last race will be the 8 and 9 year olds. Parents are very welcome to come and cheer on this special day.

Mr Darren Wayne
Primary Sports Coordinator

IPSSO

Games took place on Wednesday against Macarthur Anglican School. Junior basketball had a hard fought victory. Unfortunately all other teams lost. The senior girls soccer were the big improvers this term, narrowly losing to the NASSA champions. The girls are to be commended for consistently demonstrating sportmanship and positive attitudes.

Next week there will be no IPSSO due to the Cross Country carnival at the College. The remainder of the summer season will be completed in Term 4.

Term 2 will see the start of the winter sport season. Both Juniors (Years 3 & 4) and Seniors (Years 5 & 6) will be able to try out for:

- AFL (mixed)
- Newcombe Ball (mixed)
- Netball (girls)
- Soccer (boys)

These trials will take place during sport time in Weeks 1 and 2.

Mr Stuart Houweling
IPSSO and Primary Sports Organiser
Thank you to all the College families, who supported our first Term Service for the year. Bishop Elect Peter Lin entertained us with his magic tricks and proved to us that we can't make our own sin disappear. He preached clearly about our need for Jesus.

In addition, Kindergarten wowed us with their cuteness and sang to us about Jesus. Musicians from 17 00 (a local Anglican youth service) led us in singing two songs.

Special thanks to all those who donated items of food for the food drive. Special congratulations to Wollemi, with a massive total of 182 items of food. Thanks also goes to our student leaders who compered, welcomed, prayed and did the Bible reading. These young people are always great to work with and really seem to understand the concept of leadership through service.

I look forward to seeing you all at our next Term Service.

Mrs Carolyn Clark
Term Service Coordinator
Students from Years 7 to 12 have made a pleasing start to the year in German this year. Parents are reminded that students have user names to access Language Perfect and moodle. In addition to these computer based vocabulary activities and games, we often play games in class. Year 7 have been playing bingo to practise their numbers, Year 8 have played a game to learn the seasons, Year 9 have played “Guess Who” to practise descriptions and Year 10 have played “Scrabble” in German of course.

Next term we are welcoming six German students from our sister school. There has already been lots of communication between the German students and their hosts, via email, Skype and Face time. We are all looking forward to meeting our exchange students.

Remember “Monolingualism is curable. Learn a second language! ”

Mrs Carolyn Clark
Language Teacher

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**Sydney University Gifted & Talented Science Workshops**

Last year some of our top Science students in Years 8 and 9 sat an examination to qualify for the Gifted and Talented Science Workshops at Sydney University. All students performed well, with Murray Jobbins (10), Jason Davies (10), Jamie Bell (10) and David Clark (10) all offered places at these exciting (and competitive) events.

Congratulations to these students on their selection.

Dr Andrew Eaton
Science Coordinator
‘HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL’ SET DESIGN EASTER HOLIDAY WORKSHOP

During the upcoming Easter holidays there is an opportunity for skilled painters from Years 7 to 11 to assist with set design for the Wollondilly Anglican College production of “High School Musical”.

There will be three sessions running during the second week of holidays on **Tuesday 14, Wednesday 15 and Thursday, 16 April from 8.30 am to 3.00 pm** each day. Students are welcome to attend any combination of these days and can be dropped off and picked up as needed between the specified hours. Parents are to collect their children from the car park between Melba and Flynn. Parent helpers are welcome.

Students should bring the following;
- Morning tea and lunch for themselves.
- Wear old clothes to work in, as there will be a lot of painting. The usual Mufti Day expectations of dress apply.
- Close toed shoes for WH&S purposes.
- Hair tied back in a pony tail for WH&S purposes.

Parents must register the names and date/s that their children will be attending by emailing Mrs Ware at j.ware@wac.nsw.edu.au prior to Tuesday, 14 April. Any questions can be directed to Mrs Taylor or Mrs Ware.

ART COMPETITION - THE GREAT WAR AND ME

‘The Great War and Me Schools Competition’ is now open with over $20,000.00 in cash prizes to be won.

Students in Years 7-10 are invited to research and retell the stories of Australia’s involvement in the war from the perspective of those who were caught up in it at the time. Entries should tell the story of the life and experiences of a soldier, pilot, sailor, nurse, medic or even an animal that served in the Australian armed forces in the Great War of 1914-18.

You can enter in any one of three categories:
1. An article of no more than 500 words
2. An artwork (drawing, painting, illustration, graphic depiction etc)
3. A video of no more than two minutes duration

Only one file can be uploaded per entry. Please visit [www.greatwarandme.com.au](http://www.greatwarandme.com.au) for more details.


If you would like help with your artwork see Mrs Taylor at Art Ketchup Club on Fridays Lunch 1 in the Melba 3 Art Room. Mrs Ware is also available if you would like advice.

Mrs Belinda Taylor
Secondary Teacher
NEW PATH CONSTRUCTION

Due to a new concrete path being constructed between The Trade Skills Centre and the rear of the FLOWERS Cafeteria, access to Old Admin from Gumnut and the front carpark, will now be via the front of the Canteen.

We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

Mr Schroder
Property Manager / WHS Representative

IMPORTANT SAFETY ISSUE

The College has been contacted by Glencore Xstrata requesting parents not attempt a u-turn in their main driveway in front of their entrance gates.

There was a near miss between a car and a large truck last week as it attempted to leave the Glencore property.

Large trucks regularly enter and exit the Glencore driveway creating an unsafe environment to be completing a turn.

Could I please ask for your cooperation in maintaining the positive relationship with our neighbours.

MIDDLE FORMAL ASSEMBLY
Congratulations to Dane Clark (Year 4) who was chosen to represent NSW in both Kata and Kumite (sparring) for the National Championships in Adelaide in August.

Rebecca Thain (Year 8) entered a few items into the Camden Show last weekend and came first with her box of handmade sweets and first with her Paris themed hand sewn cushion. She came second with her sheep cupcakes.

EQUESTRIAN REMINDER:

Oxley College Equestrian Day  
Sunday 29TH March, 2015  
To be held at "Araluen" Kardinia Lane,  
Hume Highway, Berrima


Registrations from 7:30 am - pick up your back number and wear to all classes.  
Breakfast from 7.30am at the Oxley Canteen.

Competition starts 8:30 am - Yr. 10, 11,12: Start Hacking until 10am then proceed to  
Dressage. - Yr. 7,8 and 9 to start with timed Dressage draw then move to hacking at 10.30am.  
Competitors wanting to jump 45cm will need to walk both the Derby and the Show  
Jump courses prior to the 9.30am Show Jumping/Derby start time.

To enter this event the student must have permission from their school. Non-  
government school students are required to send a copy of their  
school’s Certificate of Currency Insurance to Oxley College by email by  
March 22nd, 2015. If this is not supplied the student will be unable to ride  
on the day.
A big thank you and congratulations to the new P&F Executive team!

President: Paul Flower
Vice President: Cara Denley
Secretary: Lorna Harper
Treasurer: Kathren Konzen

Thank you also to the coordinators looking after this year’s events. Some of these jobs are massive so please help out where you can and support everyone who as being willing to support our College by serving in a leading role on your P&F.

Student Banking: Julie Wills
Car Show: Bernice McDonagh
Country Fair: Kathren Konzen
Golf Day: Karen Johnson and Pam Egan
Sponsorship: Jayne Kelly
Hospitality: Lianne Williams
Cookbook: Lianne Williams
Merchandise: Lesley Bramich
Business Directory: Cara Denley
Clothing Pool: Michelle Morris
Mothers’/Fathers’ Day Stalls: Vanessa McPherson
Working Bee: Fred Schroder

The position of Advertising Coordinator is still vacant. This role involves ensuring co-ordinators submit press releases to the right media and updating the website with coordinator supplied information. If you are interested please email pandfpresident@wac.nsw.edu.au

WHEELS @ WOLLONDILLY

We are getting revved up for a fantastic Car Show this year. Watch out for some great new designs in the rocker cover racers! There are many jobs that make this day a huge success so we seek volunteers to help with food stalls, parking cars, taking entrance fees etc.

If you are able to donate one hour of your time or ask any adult guest visiting the show - uncle, aunt, grandparent, to donate some time, it would be greatly appreciated.

Cake and Coffee Stall
We need the assistance of all parents and friends to help stock the cake and coffee stall for the car show. Biscuits, slices, cupcakes, muffins (sweet and savoury), and brownies please.
We especially welcome gluten free and dairy free options. Please remember we are a nut aware College, so please label your items clearly.

P&F TEAM

Our College Clothing Pool is in urgent need of
Junior girls (sizes 4 to 8)
summer / winter and sports uniforms.
Any donations would be greatly appreciated!
• 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.

• World Autism Awareness Day - Support children with Autism Spectrum Disorder and their families in our Community by wearing blue and attending a special screening of “The Book of Life” at the Empire Cinema in Bowral on Thursday, 2 April at 5.00 pm. For more information please contact Liz 4868 6688. Tickets available at Empire Cinema.

• Koala Day at Wirrimbirra Sanctuary - Sunday, 12 April between 10.00 am - 3.00 pm there will be lots of fun! Jumping castle, kids painting, learn about Koalas, Koala on site between 11.00 am and 12 noon. For more information please call 4684 1112

• Grasshopper Soccer - Soccer fun for Girls and Boys (aged 2 to 12), Term 2 program (8 weeks). For more information and booking details please call 0439 843 503

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

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**Men’s Breakfast – Saturday, 28 March**

**Venue:** St Andrews Presbyterian Church - John Street, Camden  
**Time:** 7am for 7.30  
**Cost:** Free  
**Guest Speaker:** Tim Hicks from WAC  
**RSVP:** Mr Warren Hicks - 4658 1723

Come along and hear Tim share some great insights into the challenges of the modern education of children not to mention some very interesting stories relating to his early years in Africa.

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

During the last week of Term please be aware that substitutions may be made as some menu items become out of stock.

**Canteen roster:**

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Please consider putting your name down for a day or two helping out in the Canteen during Term 2. The roster will be compiled over the next week or so.

Think healthy, Eat healthy, Live healthy!
It’s hard to understand sometimes, but Jesus lost his life willingly. He didn’t like the idea, knowing that he was facing a cruel death and the eternal anger of God. But, he knew what it meant. There was no other way for us to be forgiven, and when we trust him for that forgiveness, God is glorified. No wonder they call it Good Friday.

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

"Now my heart is troubled, and what shall I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it was for this very reason I came to this hour. Father, glorify your name!" John 12:27–28
This week’s Pretend Headmaster Ailie Carroll (KC), is getting excited about the upcoming Wheels@Wollondilly Car Show!!

Prayer Points

Thank God

- That we are created with the capacity to love, to care and to think before reacting
- For His patience and forbearance as less than perfect people seek to serve a perfect God
- For the privilege of electing our politicians – and for living in a country where a contrary choice to their own is accepted by the people

Ask God

- For wisdom as we plan for continued growth
- That we may better choose our course before reacting in haste
- For His continued blessing over our community and our country

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

Excellence, Endurance, Eternity.