An Unexpected Privilege in Ypres

The town of Ypres in Belgium was devastated during World War 1. It was a walled city that was never captured but this did not stop daily barrages by shells from long range that toppled buildings and levelled houses. After the war, the people of Belgium decided, in an act of defiance and pride, to rebuild the city exactly as it was — but with one significant addition — the Menin Gate.

The Menin Gate sits on the East side of the city and is the entrance from the Menin Road. It bears the names of 54,896 Commonwealth soldiers who have no known grave. (There are also a further 8,369 names which could not fit on the gate at a cemetery called Tyne Cot). Each time a body is discovered and identified, it is removed from the gate.

Every night at 8.00 pm; rain, hail or shine; the town gathers in their hundreds to remember those who came from across the seas and gave their lives to defend the women and children of Belgium — every night the Last Post is played; every night wreaths are laid; every night there is a 30-40 minute service under the gate.

Roslyn and I were blessed to be standing at the Menin Gate at 10.00 am on 20 April 2016. There were rumours of a funeral for two soldiers who had been found and identified; rumours that their families and old regiments were to gather at “11 hundred hours” to lay the men to rest — but where? There are 115 war cemeteries in Belgium and several in and around the town of Ypres. Just then, a distinguished looking gentleman in a suit and a bowler hat walked through the gate and out of the town. He looked British with his upright stance, bracers, abundant girth, walking stick and grey handle-bar moustache. He looked like he was dressed for a funeral so Roslyn and I followed him.

Gunner Albert William Venus, born in 1893 at Hull, had just turned 22 years of age when he was killed in action on the morning of 24 May 1915. He was seventh in a family of twelve children. One of Albert's younger brothers, Herbert, was killed one week later during the battle of Jutland along with a crew of 800 men on the HMS Black Prince which was hit by a German shell. Reeling from the news of Albert's death, Mr and Mrs Venus suffered terrible grief at the news that a second son would never return. Both were lost. Mr and Mrs Venus both passed away never having found their sons. Recently Albert's body was discovered. On this day, he would be buried as the old gentleman in the Bowler hat looked on.

Gunner Joseph William Rowbottom was born in the small village of Wrawby in North Lincolnshire. He was 27 years of age when he was killed in action on the morning of 24 May 1915. Joseph was the eldest of three children. His parents and sisters were very proud of him as he volunteered for the “National Emergency”. A few years later, his grief stricken younger sister, Phyllis, and her husband died within a few hours of each other from the Spanish Flu. Their young son, Phillip, died three weeks later. These were dark times for Joseph’s parents also. Both also died without knowing where their son lay. Recently, Joseph’s body was discovered. On this day, he would be buried next to his friend Albert and four other friends from his regiment who are still unidentified: Two less names on the Menin gate.

As I stood there watching, I understood better why people of Ypres gather in their hundreds every night at 8.00 pm. They gather to remember soldiers like Albert Venus and Joseph Rowbottom: Soldiers who gave their lives to save others — the forbears of those who now remember.

Lest we forget
FROM THE DEPUTY’S DESK

Picton Floods
Our prayers and support go to the families and businesses affected by the flooding last Sunday. The College has offered and provided practical support to some families and organisations affected in the community.

We are aware that some WAC families have been affected.

Please contact the College if you are affected and there is support we can provide to you or your children.

If you would like to support those in need, by providing meals, we have a large amount of meat which could be used. If you are interested in assisting our team, please contact Mrs Lynnette Buick on 0458 343 280.

Year 10 Subject Information Night – (Thursday, 16 June) FOR YEAR 11 - 2017
On Thursday evening, 16 June, an information night will be held to assist Year 10 with their decision making for Year 11 2017. During the evening staff will address the need to make informed decisions with regard to returning to school and subject selections.

The students and parents who attend the evening will also receive information on how students can nominate their preferences for the subjects to be delivered for Year 11 2017. Parents and students will also have the opportunity to ask questions and gain further information from the staff present at the evening.

The evening will commence at 7.00 pm in Warne Auditorium. Students attending will need to wear their College uniform.

Year 10 Students have received their Subject Information Booklets. It is recommended that parents read through the booklet and discuss some options with their son or daughter before the information evening.

Year 8 Subject Information Night – Electives for 2017 (Wednesday, 22 June) in Warne Auditorium 7.00 pm

Class Changes in Secondary School
At the end of the Semester there is an opportunity to review the class placements in Years 7-10. There is the potential for students to be moved due to their academic performance or for pastoral reasons. Parents should note that their child’s position in the Grace class is not permanently guaranteed. Students need to work to a high standard to maintain a position in the Grace class. Parents will be notified if their child is going to be moved.
Duke of Edinburgh’s Award

Bronze/Silver Expedition

Due to the postponement of the June expedition, this expedition will take place for Silver level on Friday, 5 August to Sunday, 7 August 2016 on the Great Northern Walk near Berowra. For Bronze level students it will be held the Saturday and Sunday only.

Specific Details are below:

**Friday 5 August** Silver Departure 8.00 am from WAC to Berowra – College Bus

**Saturday, 6 August** Bronze Departure 8.00 am from WAC to Hornsby by College Bus

**Sunday, 7 August** Return to College 2.00 pm – parent pick up.

**Costs:**
Camp fees for Crosslands Campsite - $15.00 student to go on fees.

**Equipment:** Students will need to carry all their own food, equipment, water, sleeping gear and tent. This will be covered at the pre-expedition briefing. An equipment list is in the Expedition Handbook issued to students.

**Equipment Hire:** The College has some backpacks and two person tents available for hire at $10.00 each.

Hire fees are to be paid before the expedition to the College Office. *Payments already made for equipment hire will be transferred to this new date.*

Mr Croger, Mrs Cochrane, Mr Hicks, Ms. Huxtable, Mr Hart and Mr Houweling will be supervising the students. Mr Schroder will be an emergency contact person. Students are reminded that all College rules regarding behaviour and College expectations apply.

Please note – students wishing to participate in this hike as a Bronze Qualifying Expedition must have completed their report from their Practice Expedition and have made satisfactory progress in the other elements of their award.

Permission notes can be obtained from the College Office. Please Complete the permission forms with the new dates and return to the College Office by Wednesday, 6 July.

Mr Ian Croger
Deputy Headmaster

**TERM SERVICE**

A warm invitation is extended to all College families to attend our second Term Service for the year. As a trial we are holding the upcoming Term Service on a **Thursday** evening. The service will be held in the Warne Auditorium on Thursday, 23 June, at 7.00 pm.

The Reverend Rob Meischke will be our guest speaker. He will be speaking about his family's experience with adoption and the book of Ephesians from the Bible. Our music will be provided by Jordan Worner and the amazing Wollondilly Stage 1 students.

Once again there will be the opportunity to make either a food or gold coin donation to the Wollondilly Cares organisation to help Wollondilly families in need. These donations will be collected by House Captains in the foyer and will count towards the points for the House Shield.

We look forward to your attendance as we worship our amazing God together.

Mrs Carolyn Clark
German Teacher
Farewell and Hello Mrs Rockwell

The Headmaster announced this week that following five years of faithful service as Middle Pastoral Care Coordinator, Mrs Rockwell will be stepping down from the role at the end of the year but continuing at the College in 2017 as classroom teacher of PDHPE. Whilst she will miss “her special kids in the vital middle years of education, where they make big decisions about who they are and what they stand for”, Mrs Rockwell has expressed a desire to focus exclusively on her first love – teaching students. We are grateful to Mrs Rockwell for her time in the role. She has been a treasure and will be hard to replace.

New staff for 2017

Due to our continued amazing growth, the College will be advertising for the following positions to commence in Term 1 2017. Suitable applicants are encouraged to apply.

**Director of Teaching and Learning (Years 7-12).**

This is a Leadership 3 Executive position at the College and will be similar to the responsibilities of Ms Huxtable T-6). The successful candidate will be a qualified and accomplished educator with a passion for driving the teaching and learning practice in the secondary school and building on our established record of outstanding HSC and external competition results.

**Senior Pastoral Care Coordinator Years 9-12).**

This is a Leadership 2 Senior Management position at the College and the successful candidate will join the Middle and Junior Pastoral Coordinators under the Leadership of Mr Toland. The person will have a demonstrated skill as an exemplary classroom teacher, demonstrated rapport with young adults and the capacity to lead a team of Year Patrons in the senior years.

**Middle Pastoral Care Coordinator Years 5-8).**

This is a Leadership 2 Senior Management position at the College and the successful candidate will join the Middle and Junior Pastoral Coordinators under the Leadership of Mr Toland. The person will have a demonstrated skill as an exemplary classroom teacher, demonstrated rapport with young adults and the capacity to lead a team of Year Patrons in the senior years.

**Learning Innovations Coordinator (Years 7-12).**

This is a Leadership 1 Senior Staff position at the College and will focus on community communication in the roll-out of the one to one IT device program as well as assisting staff with innovative use of IT to enhance learning for out 21st Century digital natives.

**New Lakeside Campus**

The Headmaster announced this week that, following years of planning, we have secured the purchase of a new 20 acre property in the heart of the new Wilton Junction township in a precinct called Lakeside. This is wonderful news and will provide the opportunity for quality Christian education in a new town. The Anglican Schools Corporation, developers and council representatives are all keen to retain the name of Wollondilly Anglican College for the new site as well, which is a testament to the hard work of staff, students and parents here in building such a desirable reputation. In time, the new campus is expected to develop into the stand-alone T-12 Lakeside Anglican College. It is uncertain when the new campus will open its doors for the first time as much will be dependent on final government approval and local infrastructure.

Dr Stuart Quarmby
Headmaster
PASTORAL MATTERS

Foundation Day
Foundation Day will take place this year on Friday, 10 June. The focus of the day is to raise funds for missions that are supported by the College. Students are asked to bring in $5.00 each or $10.00 per family to contribute toward missions fundraising. In the lead-up to Foundation Day, students will learn about some of the missions supported and participate in some service based programs to gain greater appreciation for the important role they can play serving the needs of others.

The collection of Foundation Day money will take place on Wednesday, 8 June to Friday, 10 June during Roll Call time. An earlier lunch will be taken on the day and the afternoon will consist of a T-12 event where students spectate the Relays component of the Athletics Carnival.

There are two shields that are presented on the day. One for the House Fundraising Champion which is currently held by Telopea and the other for the Activities Champion which is determined by the House that gains the most points in the Relays afternoon. These shields will be presented on the day to the House Captains of the winning House. Relay runners and House Captains will be asked to ensure they are present at the WACA prior to the rest of the College moving to watch the races.

Parents are invited to come and spectate as part of this T-12 event. The announcement of the Mission Fundraising Champion and presentation of the shield to the winning House will take place under the Sails at 1.15 pm. Following this parents are invited to spectate at the Relay events at the WACA.

Reminders:
- For safety reasons, there is no parking nearby to the WACA. If you need assistance to get up to the WACA please advise through the Front Office and support can be provided by the Property Staff.
- Please park in the designated parking areas (not the Student car park - Flynn).
- Please do not post any photos on social media of children other than your own.

This is a fantastic event and one in which we encourage the College community to give generously toward. Further details will be provided through the Pastoral Program and future Waratah Weekly articles.

Term Service
Term 2 Term Service is fast approaching and we would encourage all students and their parents to attend. As part of the evening, support for local families who are doing it tough can be provided through either a donation of canned food or a gold coin donation on the night. Each of the above will contribute points to the Overall House Shield, so please support this cause and give generously. The House Captains from each House will be on hand to collect the items with the totals from each House being added to the Overall House Shield.

Reminders for the night:
- Ensure that you have your name marked off by your class teacher for Primary and Year Patron for Secondary on the night. Primary staff will be up the front at the end of the night, Secondary Year Patrons will be at the back of the Auditorium.
- All students are to sit with their parents on the evening.
- If for some reason a student is attending without parent supervision, they must sit in the designated area where supervision will be provided by staff.
- At no time are students to stand on the chairs, this is a safety concern that we ask parents to address immediately.
- It is important to remember that whilst students, staff or guests are speaking at the front of the Assembly it is respectful to ensure that no talking from the audience it taking place.
- Please turn off mobile phones during the service.
- Students performing as part of the service need to return immediately to be seated beside their parents following their performance.
- All help to reset the Auditorium for the WACC Church on the weekend following the service is greatly appreciated.
- Bring along a non-perishable food item or gold coin donation to support local families in need.
- House Captains, College Captains and Prefects please arrive at the College at 6.30 pm to assist with formal duties prior to the Term Service.

**Giving kids responsibility is a big confidence-building strategy**

Giving kids responsibility is tricky. It’s easy to give responsibility to responsible kids as you’ll know that they’ll follow through. Whether it’s feeding the family pooch; setting the table or helping a sibling get ready for the day you only need to remind them once and the job’s done. Too easy!

But what about tricky kids – second or later born; kids with special needs or kids who are discouraged? It’s not so easy giving responsibility to kids that need extra teaching and who need to be followed up. It’s these kids that make responsibility-giving hard work, even risky for parents. It’s a balancing act.

Giving responsibility becomes a balancing act as we need to weigh up between doing a job ourselves, as it’s important to be done right, or letting kids experience the consequence of them not doing their job (the family doesn’t eat until the table is set). It’s easy to take the safe way out and fix kids’ mistakes or safer still, don’t give kids any responsibility at all.

Ask yourself this: “What does your child do that someone else relies on?”

If the answer is zilch/zero, then I suggest it may be time to give him or her something significant to do that benefits others – hear a sibling read each day; be the trash controller; tidy the living room before mealtime. There’s generally no shortage of opportunities to help out – just a lack of time to make it happen and perhaps a lack of willingness to put up with the approximations in quality, as well as a child’s occasional attempts at resisting to help out.

Here are five ideas to make responsibility giving easier:

1. **Change responsibilities around.** If possible change chores and responsibilities around each week to avoid boredom (“This is so boring!”) and resentment (“How come I always get the rotten jobs?”).

2. **Use rosters when possible.** The use of a list or roster takes the onus away from you to always remind children to do their jobs - so it’s a great independence-building tool.

3. **Remind, cue but don’t take responsibility** Kids can get tired and overwhelmed with busy schedules so a reminder from time to time about “Who’s turn is it to fill the dishwasher?” can make it easy for kids to be responsible, without taking the responsibility away.

4. **Start by completing responsibilities with kids** If kids are new to any task then it’s smart management to spend some time doing the job with them until they get the hang of it, stepping back when you are no longer needed. That’s what working yourself out of a job is all about.

5. **Let them know how you feel when they do it well** Avoid over-praising kids for helping out. Instead let kids know how their help makes you feel: happy, relieved, proud. This takes the onus away from the quality of the help and places the focus more on their contribution, which is what you are encouraging.

Giving kids real responsibility is harder than ever in our busy, small family environments. But it’s more important than ever to expect your kids to pull their weight. The alternative – spoonfeeding kids – tends to produce brittle, brattish children and young people are seen to be staying dependent on their parents for longer. And that’s not what great parenting is about.

Grose 2016

Mr Liam Toland
Director Pastoral Care (T-12)
The staff at the College have generously organised a three day Study Camp for our Year 12 students to be held during the July holidays. The camp will provide our Year 12 students with the opportunity to have sustained, structured and focussed study time, supported by staff volunteers from the College.

From a Pastoral Care perspective, we hope to support those students who may feel anxious about the upcoming HSC Trial examinations. We also hope to assist students who have difficulty organising their own time and disciplining themselves to focus. Academically, the staff volunteers will be able to provide valuable advice and guidance on past examination questions and answers.

Where?
- Wollondilly Anglican College - Flynn Building

When?
- Second week of the July school holidays
- Wednesday, 13 July - Friday, 15 July
- Morning Sessions from 9.00 am to 1.00 pm
- Afternoon Sessions from 1.30 pm to 4.30 pm.

What's New?
This year an exam centre will be set up in Deakin to provide students with the opportunity to complete practice papers, under exam conditions. The practice exams will run each afternoon from 1.30 pm until 4.30 pm with teacher supervision.

This is a voluntary activity for the students. It will provide them with a great opportunity to test their revision and prepare for the demands of working in a time limit.

All Year 12 students have been issued a Study Camp outline and timetable. They will need to fill out a registration form specifying the days and time they wish to attend. These forms need to be returned to Mrs Croger by Friday, 24 June.

Mrs Wendy Croger
English/HSIE Coordinator

Kindergarten Excursion
Kindergarten students are excited to be going on excursion this term to support their learning of ‘Paddock to Plate’. The excursion will take us to Gavana Holsteins Dairy farm, Glenmore. The date of the excursion will be Friday, 17 June.

The students will be required to wear full winter sports uniform. The excursion will run during normal College hours so there will not be any anticipated interruptions to normal drop off and collection routines.

We look forward to this exciting event!

Mrs Kathrine Frost
Primary Teacher
We have now performed every scene from the show and there are just a few musical numbers to be choreographed. We have had a few questions about rehearsal and show dates, please find these below to assist with your planning.

**Rehearsal Week**
Monday, 11 July, Tuesday, 12 July, Wednesday, 13 July, Thursday, 14 July, Friday, 16 July.

Each rehearsal day will begin promptly at 9.00 a.m. and conclude promptly at 4.00 p.m. All cast and crew members must attend each rehearsal.

**Performances**
**Monday, 25 July** dress Rehearsals. Secondary students to arrive from 5.30 pm. Primary students to arrive from 6.00 pm. The show run will begin at 7.00 pm and conclude at approximately 9.30 pm.

**Tuesday, 26 July** musical Matinee Rehearsal during the College day. First evening performance at night. Secondary students arrive from 5.30 pm, Primary students from 6.00 pm. The show will begin at 7.00 pm and conclude at approximately 9.30 pm.

**Thursday, 28 July** second evening performance. Secondary students arrive from 5.30, Primary students from 6.00. The show will begin at 7.00 pm and conclude at approximately 9.30 pm.

**Friday, 29 July** third evening performance. Secondary students arrive from 5.30 pm, Primary students from 6.00 pm. The show will begin at 7.00 pm and conclude at approximately 9.30 pm.

**Saturday, 30 July** final evening performance. Secondary students arrive from 5.30 pm, Primary students from 6.00 pm. The show will begin at 7.00 pm and conclude at approximately 9.30 pm.

Students will be provided with a more detailed note at our next rehearsal on Monday, 20 June.

**Stage Crew**
To prepare our new stage crew volunteers, we will be providing some training. We will be doing this on the afternoon of Wednesday, 15 June from 2.45 pm - 4.00 pm. Students should meet Mrs Talbot at the Johnson studio at 2.45 pm.

As this is a new initiative, it is difficult to predict how much time will be needed to complete this training. There may need to be some additional training on the following Wednesday.

Training will finish promptly at 4.00 pm to allow students to also attend Homework Club if they so choose.

Also, we would like our Musical Stage Crew to join us for the final Monday rehearsal of this term, 27 June. They will need comfortable clothes to work in and should bring a healthy snack and water. Rehearsal finishes at 5.45 pm.

**Mrs Sarah Talbot**
Secondary Teacher (English, HSIE, Drama)
**WHY STUDY DRAMA?**

Students who study Drama experience benefits which reach far beyond those traditionally associated with the subject.

The Australian Council for Educational Research published a paper in the *Australian Education Review*; no. 58 titled *The arts and Australian education: realising potential*. In it they acknowledge a wide range of add-on benefits for students.

These include intrinsic benefits (such as developing empathy and finding their personal voice), improved cognition (the paper refers to studies which show improvement in reading and mathematics), attitudinal and behavioural benefits (improved attendance, improved self-concept and developing positive social behaviours), health (the art form has proven therapeutic benefits), social benefits (Drama students learn to engage in community which could be an antedote to the isolation many students feel), and economic benefits (there are many jobs associated with the theatre industry and the industry generates significant revenue). The full article can be found at the following web address; [http://research.acer.edu.au/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=1020&context=aer](http://research.acer.edu.au/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=1020&context=aer)

**Mrs Sarah Talbot**  
Secondary Teacher (English, HSIE, Drama)

**TERM SERVICE**

Students and parents are invited to attend our second Term Service for the year in the Warne Auditorium at 7.00 pm on Thursday, 23 June.

Stage 1 will be singing for us and are therefore being asked to meet their teacher at 6.50 pm for a 7.00 pm start.

All children need to wear their full winter College uniform (hats are not required).

The Reverend Rob Meischke is our guest speaker and the music will be provided by Jordan Worner.

We look forward to seeing you there.

**Mr Stuart McIntosh**  
Junior Pastoral Care Coordinator (T-4)

**STAGE 1 EXCURSION - REMINDER**

Stage 1 will be attending an excursion to Wannabees in Frenchs Forest, where students will have the opportunity to learn and discover about their community and everyday life in a fun but educational environment.

The excursion will be next Friday, 17 June 2016. Please note we are leaving the College at 8.10 am and will return by **3.00 pm**. All children will be traveling by bus and need to wear full College sport uniform. All children will need to bring their recess and lunch with them.

**Mrs Tracy Turner**  
Primary Teacher
Learning a language involves more than grammar and vocabulary. It also involves learning about the food and culture of the society. For this reason, Year 8 had the opportunity to experience a German breakfast on Monday morning, ably served by Year 11 students. For many of Year 8 the biggest challenge was using their German speaking skills to request their food. For others the biggest challenge was realising that Germans eat cold meats, cheese and bread rolls for breakfast, rather than Vegemite and toast. For still others the biggest challenge had been making it to the College at all after the weekend's extreme weather had caused some road blockages.

Remember "Monolingualism is curable. Learn another language!"

Mrs Carolyn Clark
Secondary Teacher (German)

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**LOST PROPERTY**

An SMS has been sent to all parents whose students have labelled lost property for collection at student reception in the WAC office.

All unlabeled items are now located in the Clothing Pool for collection. They will be held for a couple of weeks and then considered a donation.

PLEASE label with your FULL NAME all items so we can get them returned to you - this includes lunch boxes, drink bottles, sports shirts and shorts, jumpers and jackets. We cannot search initials on our system and as the College grows both first and last names are getting less and less unique.

Mrs Lisa Grzasko
Credit Controller
DEBATING NEWS

On Tuesday, 14 June our HICES Debating teams will be competing in the fourth round of this year’s competition. This round will be hosted at the College.

The Junior team will be debating the negative side of the topic: *That our Politicians should be paid more*

Our Middle team will be the affirmative in the debate: *That a commitment to ethical behaviour is the most important quality in a leader*.

The subject area for the Senior and Open division debaters for this round is *Leadership*.

Over the years the HICES competition has grown. This year we are expecting seven schools with a total of 32 teams to compete in Round 4.

The Middle and Junior debates should commence at 3.30 pm followed by the Open and Senior Divisions at 4.40 pm. All the debates should be completed by 6.00 pm. Interested parents and friends are welcome to come and watch the series of debates. It is sure to be an entertaining evening.

Mrs Wendy Croger
English/HSIE Coordinator

APPLICATIONS FOR ENROLMENT 2017

We continue to receive a steady stream of applications across all year groups and I would therefore encourage anyone interested in making an application to do so without delay, especially our existing College families looking to enrol siblings.

Mrs Lorna Harper
Enrolments Officer

SECONDARY LIBRARY

Secondary Libraries

*Question of the week.*
Will you be the first to find the answer?

How many avenues radiate from the Arc de Triomphe in Paris?

Come and see us in the Library and see if you are the first correct answer and why not borrow a book while you are there? We have books to cater for all tastes and ages. So if you are a student or member of staff we challenge you to try our skills at finding a book for you!

Happy Reading!

Mrs Petra Pollum
Secondary Teacher-Librarian
AICES Cross Country
Congratulations Samantha Cefai of Year 7 who came second at the recent AICES Cross Country Championships. She has now qualified for the CIS Championships to be held on Thursday, 16 June. Samantha was the highest ranking team member of the 10 students from WAC who competed at the AICES carnival. Full results have been posted on the AICES website.

NASSA Athletics Time Change
Please be advised that the starting time for the carnival has now been brought forward by 10 minutes. As a result the Bus from the College will now depart at 7.30 am. Students should arrive by 7.20 am to ensure they don't miss the bus. Please disregard the original 7.40 am time printed on the permission note.

MISA
This week all games were postponed as a result of the severe weather that hit Sydney last weekend. This Round will be played on Tuesday, 21 June and will replace the finals. This means that Premierships will be awarded based on points rather than a final playoff. Next week we play John Therry Catholic High School in all sports.

Foundation Day Relays
Students who have qualified to represent their House in the relay events need to ensure they move directly to the lawn at 12.55 pm (beginning of lunch). This will enable all marshalling to take place as well as an adequate warm up. Students can eat their lunch on the Oval during this time also.

Upcoming Events:
CSSA Gymnastics 9 June
Foundation Day relays 10 June
NASSA Athletics 15 June
CIS Cross Country 16 June

Mr Mark Goldsborough
Secondary Sports Coordinator

IPSSO
There were no IPSSO games due to the Athletics Carnival on Wednesday. Next week games will be played at WAC against Macarthur Anglican School. Junior games will start at 11.55 am. Senior games will start at 12.45 pm.

Stage 3 College sport will continue their gymnastics program at Wollondilly Leisure centre.

Mr Stuart Houweling
IPSSO Sports Coordinator

EQUESTRIAN CARNIVAL
The annual Equestrian Carnival at Camden High School is once again open for entry. It will be held on Saturday, 10 September at Bicentennial Park. All entries and payments are through Nominate at: http://www.nominate.com.au

A list of entries will be updated each week on the Camden High School website, please check your entry and make sure everything is correct, if not please contact Nominate immediately.

Mrs Karryn Moller
Acting WAC Equestrian Team Manager
After such a busy week it's a real treat to sit back and reflect on all of the many things that keep us smiling each day. We continue to welcome our new students and the amazing ideas they each have brought with them. Within the group we have a variety of groups that get together whether it be for dance club, homework, sport or cooking club there is always something happening here at Camp Australia.

With the Winter Holidays fast approaching we would like to welcome enquiries regarding Holiday Club. News has it that Miss Danni will be attending to shifts at Bowral Public for holiday club and was so pleased to hear that a handful of Wollondilly kids will be joining. Please come and see me in the Clifford Warne Auditorium between 2.30 pm - 6.00 pm, or give us a call on 0447 138 782. You can also find more information on bookings and ASC at www.campaustralia.com.au.

Have a great week Wollondilly - don't blow away!

COMMUNITY

- 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 contact Mrs Hay or Mr Shaw at the College, to assist. Confidentiality will be respected when requested.

- Choral Festival
  Students from our College are preforming at this years Choral Festival being held at Rouse Hill Anglican College on Friday, 17 June. Corner Rouse and Worcester Roads, Rouse Hill. This will commence at 1.50 pm and conclude by 3.15 pm. The cost is $5.00 and tickets can be purchased after 30 May, by following one of the following links: https://www.trybooking.com/LOJF or https://www.trybooking.com/203039

- YMCA Picton Vacation Care
  4 July - Day Camp, Board Game Bonanza. 5 July - Incursion, Lego Workshop. 6 July Day Camp, Kitchen Kidz. 7 July - Excursion, Bowling/Laser Tag. 8 July - Day Camp, Calling all campers. 11 July - Incursion, Experiment Extravaganza. 12 July - Incursion, Go-Kart Fun. 13 July - Day Camp, Dress Up Fever. 14 July - Excursion, Flip Out. 15 July - Day Camp, Let’s Get Crafting. 18 July - Day Camp, Gamers Paradise. For more information or to enroll visit website: oshc.picton@ymcansw.org.au or phone 0437 357 289 / 9771 6033.

- The Rotary Club of Picton
  The Rotary Club of Picton is sponsoring a major boot sale on Saturday, 18 June so sort out the old wares and prepare for your new treasures. Gates open from 7.30 am for set up with sales through till 3.00 pm. Car lots are available at $15.00 each. Entry fee: Gold Coin BBQ is available on site. Funds raised will be directed to local charities. St. Mark’s Church, Menangle St. West, PICTON. Bookings available by phone at 4677 3285 and on site sales day.

- Kids in the Park
  Sydney’s largest school holiday program returns this winter school holidays! There are over 60 fun-filled activities to keep kids active, outdoors and entertained. A range of activities are free or under $25.00. Archery – Kids on Target & Little Archers. All Day Holiday Recreational Program. Science, cooking, writing workshops. Gymnastics. Circus skills and flying trapeze. Futsal - Indoor soccer. Park Patrol - Mangrove Mysteries. Sport & adventure camps. Creative Genius Drama Workshop ….and lots more. Full details at www.kidsinthepark.com.au

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.
COUNTRY FAIR 2016

SATURDAY, 10 SEPTEMBER 2016

AN ARRAY OF COLLEGE STALLS!!

FOOD & DRINK

BBQ | Hot Dogs | Hot Chips | Gourmet Salads | Kebabs | Pulled Pork Rolls | Sausage Rolls | Deli Yoghurts

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FOR THE GROWN UPS

Gift Baskets | Fresh Flowers | Main & Silent Auction | White Elephant | College Merchandise & Info | Clothing Pool

FOR THE KIDS

Showbags | Fairy Floss
Kidzone

$10 wristband includes face painting, jumping castle, plaster painting, colouring in, balloon model, popper/water and a lolly bag.

LAUNCHING FOR 2016

Wollondilly Anglican College P&F Association
Our Family Table Cookbook
A quality, coffee table style book full of delicious recipes donated by our College families
Visit the Cookbook Stand to purchase your copy. All proceeds will support our P&F Association.

BE A COUNTRY FAIR VOLUNTEER

Be involved and become a volunteer on the day, stay for an hour or two or maybe the whole day.
Interested? Contact our Coordinators on dvmcpherson@bigpond.com or lianne@sproutscatering.com.au

AMUSEMENT RIDES

$40 Unlimited Rides / per person - Presale  *  $45 Unlimited Rides / per person - On the Day
WRISTBANDS ON SALE NOW  |  NEXT TO COLLEGE CANTEEN  |  Thursday Afternoon Only
From The President

STOP PRESS: POSITION VACANT FOR 2017

Treasurer

We are seeking a committed individual to serve as Treasurer on the Executive Committee of our P&F Association.

This position is effective from 1 January 2017 for a two year period, however it is anticipated that the appointed person would take up the role with immediate effect as an understudy alongside our existing Treasurer. Some accounting or book keeping experience would be preferred.

Expressions of Interest should be made to Mrs Lorna Harper, Secretary, by email at l.harper@wac.nsw.edu.au, by phone (02) 4684 2577 or in person at the College Office.

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Wollondilly Anglican Community Church (WACC) meets in the Clifford Warne Auditorium every Sunday at 9.00 am. Contact: Rev Kevin Flanagan 0418 281 430 or (02) 4681 8742.

In his book, The Problem with Pain, C. S. Lewis talks about what God sometimes does to get our attention, “We can ignore even pleasure. But pain insists upon being attended to. God whispers to us in our pleasures, speaks in our conscience, but shouts in our pains: it is his megaphone to rouse a deaf world.” p.3
PRAYER POINTS

Thank God
- For the ANZACs who sacrificed their lives on foreign lands in the defence of a principle.
- That no lives were lost in the Picton floods.
- For our State Emergency Services.

Ask God
- That we never forget those soldiers who paid the price for our freedom.
- That we never forget Jesus who paid the price for our eternity.
- To be with families affected by the flood as they clean up.
- For wisdom and discernment as we commence the process of staffing for 2017.

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

_Excellence, Endurance, Eternity_