The Editorial Written by New Secondary Students
It is always interesting to catch up with new students once they have been at the College for a few weeks or months. As a follow up to Primary students’ conversations last week, here are all the comments from the students in Year 7 and above - raw and unedited.

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Of course, with the good comes the bad. Here are all the comments from students when asked if there was anything we could improve – “Needs Homework Club on more days; Move the Flynn building closer; Need another bridge to Flynn so they are both one way; Longer Year 7 camp with my cat there too; Longer recess; Need Agriculture; Play Rugby Union; Need a skate park; more girls’ gala days”.

That’s it for this week – I’m off to see if we can move the Flynn Building closer

FROM THE DEPUTY’S DESK

Last Day of Term
The arrangements for the completion of the term are outlined below.

- Years 10 and 11 will finish the year on Wednesday, 7 December.
- Transition-Year 9 will finish on Thursday, 8 December.
- Friday, 9 December – Staff Professional Development (Pupil Free)

Duke of Edinburgh’s Award
A number of students at each level – Bronze, Silver and Gold, are close to completing their respective awards but haven’t managed to finalise the documentation to achieve their award. I encourage them to do so, as soon as possible, so that they can commence their next level in the new year.

There is a delay, due to a backlog of awards, between students submitting their completed level online and the Duke Edinburgh Office acknowledging approval and sending the certificate and badge.

50 Most Common Parenting Questions (Here are just a few)
I have added parts of this article before from Michael Grose, in the Waratah Weekly. Following recent conversations with a few parents, I thought it was worth another look. I will include some others next week.

How do I get my child to stop being defiant and answering back?
Backchat and defiance go hand-in-hand. Behind most conflict between kids and parents are the deeper issues of Power (I’m the boss of you!), Position (I’m your parent!) and Prestige (What will others think of me if I let you get away with this?). Answering back and comeback lines threaten our position, our prestige and they are about power. Most parents respond too impulsively to backchat with anger or with defiant words, which encourages more defiance. The key is to remove
1. Avoid responding to backchat verbally, instead move away. Nonchalance defeats a power play.

2. Tell your child what you will do, rather than what he should do.

3. Use 'I-messages' if you want to communicate how you feel. Eg "When you talk to me like that I feel hurt....."

How do I get my child to cope with peer pressure?
As children become adolescents the more influence peers have on their thinking, attitudes, values and behaviour. For a young person, resisting peer influence can mean isolation or instant ostracism, so it sometimes takes great strength of will to refuse to follow the crowd. Here are some ideas to help:

- Help children and teens say no and save face and maintain their status.
- Encourage young people to gain some thinking time when they feel uncomfortable with a peer’s request.
- Encourage them to think through the consequences of decisions.
- Discuss the impact of peer pressure and that it makes them feel unsafe.
- Allow your kids to hold opinions different to your own so that they don’t always feel they have to please others.

How much should I push a child to continue an activity they want to drop out of?
It's difficult to know whether to push a child or not to pursue an activity, particularly when they have talent. It's natural for a parent to want to develop a talent. These guidelines may help:

- Activities shouldn't adversely impact on a child's mental health and wellbeing.
- Sometimes doing things they don't want to do are good for kids.
- Kids should finish what they started - so see out a course or a sports season.
- Dropping out can become an habitual avoidance strategy.
- Help kids make a considered choice, not an impulsive decision.

Michael Grose http://

Mr Ian Croger
Deputy Headmaster
How your kids can get a good night’s sleep

Many kids today are sleep deprived. Teenagers, in particular, don’t get enough sleep. They need between nine and 10 hours sleep each night, yet most get about seven or eight hours sleep. Some get less.

Not getting enough sleep leads to sleep deprivation, which is akin to jet lag, where kids don’t function at their optimum. Lack of sleep leads to irritability, decreased creativity and memory lapses. It also has strong links to anxiety and depression.

How sleep helps kids

Sleep maximises the brain growth which occurs with toddlers and teens. Sleep also consolidates learning: sleep research has shown that the brain practices what it has learned during the day when a child or young person is asleep. So sufficient sleep consolidates past learning as well as keeps kids fresh to maximise their future learning.

Develop good sleep habits when kids are young

Sleep experts stress that while adults may not have control over biology we can assist children and teens to establish good sleep patterns. Children usually carry good sleep habits into adolescence. If you struggle to get young children to sleep or constantly battle kids who want to stay up longer, some knowledge of good sleep habits may be useful.

Good sleep habits include:

1. **Regular bedtimes** Kids may fight this, but make sure kids keep regular bedtimes during the week and allow them to stay up a little later on weekends. Children need between 10 and 12 hours of sleep each day, while teens need a minimum of nine hours.

2. **A 45-minute wind-down time before bed** This includes: removing TV and other stimuli, calming the child down and limiting food intake (and caffeine for teens). The wind-down time informs the body clock that sleeping time is near.

3. **A bedtime routine** Have a bedtime routine, such as story reading and teeth cleaning, that signals psychologically that it is time for sleep. A set routine means that kids can predict. It also means that some children will fight bedtime so you need some good strategies in place to get kids to bed and make sure they stay there.

4. **Keeping bedrooms for sleep** Bedrooms that resemble caves are recommended. It gets tricky with mobile phones and other information technology, but it’s smart to keep devices and laptops out of bedrooms at sleep-time. This goes for parents too. I’ve noticed most parents sleep in technology-free bedrooms (apart from a clock-radio) yet their kids will have technology-full rooms. **Also don’t let kids do schoolwork on their beds. If so, they’ll begin to associate bed with work, rather than sleep.**

5. **Maximise the three sleep cues** These include: darkness (maintaining a cave-like bedroom); lowering body temperature (baths can be good for this); and melatonin (work within their cycle). If your kids get less sleep than they should, check out the five habits above and work out which of these you can adjust to move things in favour of them getting more sleep.

Facebook and Instagram: Self-harm prevention tool

In Australia, it’s estimated that 45 per cent of people will experience a mental health condition in their lifetime.

How can you help?

Facebook and Instagram have worked closely with mental health experts to address self-injury.

Both platforms have recently released a suicide and self-harm prevention tool enabling people to anonymously report other users who show signs of self-injury through their images, “likes”, comments or hashtags.
The platform then sends the owner of the posts a message, along with details of support services. “Someone saw one of your posts and thinks you might be going through a difficult time. If you need support, we’d like to help.”

How to report? On Instagram, you can report an image>It’s inappropriate>Self injury. Or facebook allows you to report a post> I think it shouldn’t be on Facebook>It’s threatening, violent or suicidal.

For more information:

- [https://help.instagram.com/196883487377501/?helpref=hc_fnav](https://help.instagram.com/196883487377501/?helpref=hc_fnav)
- [https://www.facebook.com/help/suicideprevention](https://www.facebook.com/help/suicideprevention)

**Thursday, 8 December - Last Day arrangements**

Thursday, 8 December as is tradition at the College it will be a Mufti Day for Transition to Year 9.

**Dress Standards for Mufti Day**

- The normal College expectations apply to hair and jewellery.
- Students must wear enclosed shoes – no thongs or sandals.
- Singlet tops or tops showing exposed mid riffs are also excluded.
- Clothing worn should not have slogans with inappropriate language or messages.
- Shorts - leg length should be at least to mid-thigh.
- One piece swimmers for girls must be worn. Students are encouraged to wear rash shirts for sun protection.
- As the day is partially based in the Picton Pool environment is it essential that students, bring and wear a hat as well as regularly apply sunscreen during the day.
- Students have been warned that if they don’t comply with these rules, they may be sent home or withdrawn from the day’s activities.

**HopeStreet Mission**

The SRC has made a joint decision to choose the HopeStreet Mission as the charity to whom this Term’s funds will be donated. HopeStreet is a not-for-profit organisation dedicated to helping the homeless people of the inner-city. They offer help and support to people at risk of experiencing homelessness, living with addiction, physical and/or mental health, legal issues and people with employment issues.

The Year 11 camp is based around giving students the opportunity to see and experience the different aspects of our society, even if they are not all positive. They are able to do this and widen their knowledge about homelessness and the associated social problems through the help of HopeStreet, when they spend a night sleeping on the streets, without a home.

Collection for gold coin donations will begin on Thursday, 1 December, Friday, 2 December, Wednesday, 7 December and Thursday, 8 December in Roll Call time, so please give generously.

Ongoing support for HopeStreet will be happening though the sale of baked goods, in which all the money raised will be going directly to this initiative.

**Nina Hvejsel Year 9 SRC Representative**
RFS Cadets 2017
In 2016 the College in partnership with the local RFS commenced a Year 9-10 RFS Cadets program. This resulted in 16 students graduating from the program at the end of Term 3.

In 2017 the program will again be on offer. Students in the current Year 8 and 9 groups can see Mr Toland to express their interest in being involved in this activity. The program will likely run in Term 2 in 2017 and is 10 weeks in duration.

Students learn a combination of practical and theory skills that can support their future involvement in this important community and volunteer based service.

Places are limited and will fill quickly, please see Mr Toland as soon as possible to sign up.

The program may be extended to include involvement in the State Championships of RFS Cadets which would involve competing against other schools in this area. More information to come.

Mr Liam Toland
Director Pastoral Care (T-12)

END OF YEAR CELEBRATIONS

Today and tomorrow start our week of end of year celebrations with the Transition Graduation ceremonies. The Transition class, along with their Year 4 buddies, have been working hard to make this a memorable afternoon.

Next week is a big week for our T-4. Our Term 4 Formal Assembly will be held on Tuesday morning, starting at 8.30 am. Some of our studnets will be singing or dancing and your children will be able to let you know if they are performing. All are welcome to attend.

On Wednesday evening is our Presentation Night. All of the children are to meet their teachers at 6.50 pm in full summer College uniform, including clean black shoes. Jackets and hats are not required. All of the children will be performing an item with their stage group. At the end of the Presentation Evening all students will remain behind with their class teacher to collect their College Semester 2 Reports.

We look forward to these events celebrating the children's achievements from 2016.

Christmas Chapel will be held on Thursday, 8 December starting at 9.00 am. All are welcome to join us for this celebration of Christ's birth.

Mr Stuart McIntosh
Junior Pastoral Care Coordinator T-4

Note to all Parents
Students are able to hand out Christmas cards during the last week of the College Term. Thank you.
HOW WILL THE PURCHASING PORTAL WORK?

Two purchasing portals have been set up for parents to purchase a range of devices that meet the minimum required specifications for ‘MyTech’. The College is providing this as a service for parents to help ensure they are able to purchase suitable devices at a competitive price. The products, software and services provided on these portals are not sold directly by Wollondilly Anglican College, or the Anglican Schools Corporation. The College makes no money from the sale of these products.

The devices purchased through these purchasing portals are from two different independent suppliers: Learning with technologies (LWT) and ASI solutions. Both companies are established suppliers of ICT hardware and software and supply both schools and government departments across Australia. They have both provided IT services to the College and we have found them to be reliable and competitively priced. The main difference between the two suppliers is that LWT provides the option of getting extras such as accidental insurance or to buy with finance. If you are interested in purchasing these extras please read the Combined Financial Services Guide and Product Disclosure Statement carefully.

To purchase from either company, simply follow the links on the ‘MyTech’ website under the Purchase tab (http://mytech.wac.nsw.edu.au/purchase.php). For the LWT option you simply select your device and any extras, enter your home delivery details and select your payment method. To purchase from ASI you need to register, login and proceed to the ‘Notebooks’ section which can be accessed via a button at the top left hand corner of the ASI home page. Then select your device and check out. Please note that the pricing and the availability of the devices offered from these suppliers may vary at different times depending on stock they have.

Please remember it is not necessary to purchase through these portals and parents have the option of purchasing elsewhere if they so choose. We believe the above arrangements offer convenience in buying a device that meets the required specifications at a commercially competitive price.

Please remember that once purchased, the management and care of the device is the responsibility of parent/student. The College IT staff will provide technical support related to the connection to the College wireless network and Internet. This will take place initially during the ‘MyTech’ boot camp in Term 3 next year, as well as ongoing throughout term time. For any hardware issues that arise, you will need to contact a computer Technical Support service or the company where you bought the device.

If you have any specific questions regarding any part of the ‘MyTech’ program or device specifications please check the ‘MyTech’ section of the College website or feel free to email mytech@wac.nsw.edu.au

Mr Wayne Baulch
Secondary Learning Innovations Coordinator
**TALENTED WRITERS**

Every year a number of students at the College enter the Write 4 Fun writing competition. The competition provides an avenue for the students to showcase their creativity through poetry or short stories. We are always pleased to hear that many of the students are selected to have their work published as part of an anthology of student work.

This year we would particularly like to congratulate Chelsea Alcorn whose poem ‘All with Water’ was awarded a special Certificate of Excellence. Chelsea’s poem was placed in the top 5% of the 9,000 entries.

It is a great honour for Chelsea to have her writing acknowledged and we look forward to reading more of her work in the future.

*Mrs Wendy Croger  
Secondary Teacher*

**YEAR 12 DRAMA**

Last Thursday, director and actor Mr Nicholas Hammond worked with our Year 12 Drama class to provide insight into their *Australian Drama and Theatre* unit of study. Students were in awe of Mr Hammond and very grateful for the opportunity.

You may know Mr Nicholas Hammond from his role in the original *The Sound of Music* film (he played Freidrich von Trapp) or his television role as Spiderman/Peter Parker in *The Amazing Spider-Man*. He has an extensive acting career and, more recently, has been working as a scriptwriter and director for television. His passion for Drama was warmly shared with all.

*Mrs Sarah Talbot  
Secondary Teacher*
TERM 4 WORKING BEE

A big thank you to the 43 students and 29 adults who worked at our Term 4 Working Bee on Saturday.

- The Gardens around the College were tidied up by weeding and pruning.
- Rubbish was picked up around the College.
- There were books covered in Flynn by some ladies.
- On Friday before the Working Bee, we decided to improve the new gardens around our new Johnson Building. We pulled out lots of weedy looking grasses and added new soil and mulch which was completed on Saturday by adding new, more appropriate colourful plants.

A huge thank you to Mrs Amanda Rollason for her expertise in choosing and planting all the new plants. Amanda and Rob give so much of their time to our College gardens and we appreciate it so much.

As always Morning Tea was provided by the Wollondilly Anglican Community Church and hot dogs and sausage rolls were provided for lunch by the P&F.

Working Bees are really good for community spirit which is achieved by students, staff and parents working alongside each other to achieve lots. Working Bees also assist my team in keeping on top of this huge property including the olive farms and all the bush area, so from us a special thank you for all your hard work.

Just look at how good our College looks! Magic!!

Mr Fred Schroder
Property Manager
NEWS FROM THE INFORMATION RESOURCE CENTRES

Coming up to the end of the year it is a very busy time for the libraries. Please take note of the dates for return of resources so we can ensure we have the necessary requirements for students in 2017.

Contact
The orders for contact have been placed and will be delivered to the College next week. The orders can be collected from the College Office by either the student or the parent from Friday, 2 December. There is a current backorder on the short rolls of contact so these will probably not be available until January next year.

Textbooks Return Years 7-10
All textbooks are due back to the College on Wednesday, 30 November. Please help us by ensuring students return everything on this day. Books which remain outstanding in the last week of the term will be billed to the student’s account. Students who are leaving the college early need to return their books to me personally as soon as practical before the current due date.

Years 11 and 12
Students keep their textbooks and library books over the holiday period. No returns are necessary.

Musical Instruments - Years 4 and 6
All musical instruments for the above years are due back in their music lesson next week (between Tuesday, 29 November and Friday, 2 December). Any student who wishes to continue with their instrument and private lessons needs to organise this with Mr Grant.

Library Books Years 7-10
All books are now overdue and need to be returned by Friday, 2 December. Students will be given reminders on Monday, 5 December for overdue books. Any outstanding books not returned by Friday, 9 December will be billed to the student’s account.

Live a life well read.

Mrs Louise Saint-John
K-12 Information Resource Centre Coordinator
Secondary Teacher-Librarian

www.love2read.org.au

Library Display
Adelaide Conlan: Year 9 Textiles - Tibetan inspired wall hanging
CHRISTMAS HAMPERS

Wollondilly Anglican Community Cares (WACCares) supports families and individuals with home cooked meals and comfort during times of illness, disability or bereavement. With the wonderful support Wollondilly Anglican College, Anglicare and local churches, WACCares, once again, would like to distribute some Christmas cheer in the form of hampers. If you would like to help, Christmas goodies (non-perishables) can be left at the College office.

They are seeking donations of Christmas Treats to supplement their store cupboard hampers and would welcome items such as Christmas puddings, Christmas cake, fruit mince pies, custard, chocolates, biscuits, lollies, Christmas bonbons - anything that would bring some Christmas cheer to our families.

A collection box is in the College Reception.

Mrs Lynnette Buick
WACCares Coordinator

LOCKER HIRE 2017

New locker renters next year will need to pick up a form from the office at the beginning of first term 2017. Please read the attached conditions and hand in the signed agreement with money before Mr Schroder will allocate you a new locker and padlock.

Next year it is highly recommended by the College Executive that students in Years 7, 8 and 9 book a locker for themselves. This will assist in reducing the weight in their College bags. For Years 8 & 9 it will also provide a secure place for students to store the MyTech device at recess and lunch times.

Mr Fred Schroder
Property Manager

Making Gingerbread Houses
MISA
Due to the hot weather on Tuesday, all MISA games were cancelled as per the extreme heat policy. That means that next week both Cricket sides will play in their finals. The Year 8/9 side are playing off for first position whilst the Year 7 side will play off for 3rd. This continues our strong Cricket performances this year with our senior boys already winning the Championship earlier this year!

In Basketball, Oz Tag and Volleyball we will play our Round 7 matches against Mount Carmel Catholic College.

NASSA Junior Cricket Gala Day
Congratulations to our Junior Cricket side who competed in the NASSA Gala Day on Monday. The boys played well winning two of their three 15 over matches to finish 2nd in their pool. Thanks to Mr Leffley for coaching the boys on the day.

Rugby League
All students selected in the WAC side to compete against Moss Vale High School need to return their permission notes as soon as possible. Students are reminded they must wear the College Rugby League strip (WAC shorts and socks) and a mouth guard. Both teams will play two games on the day and should bring adequate amounts of food and water to sustain themselves.

Last Day Swimming
This week students should have received a permission note for the last day of swimming at Wollondilly Leisure Centre. Spares can be collected from the College Office. These notes need to be returned to your Roll Call teacher no later than Friday, 2 December. If your child is not attending they must still return their note indicating so.

All students must wear appropriate swimwear (One-piece swimsuit for girls, rash vests not T-shirts). As student safety is a priority, students who fail the swim test will not be permitted to swim. The swim test involves safe water entry/exit, 25 metre swim, one minute treading water.

Upcoming Events:
MISA AGM 25 November
WAC v MHS Rugby League 1 December

Mr Mark Goldsbrough
Secondary Sports Coordinator
**MUSIC EXAM RESULTS**

Well done to all our guitar students who took part in the recent AMEB Rock School Results 2016 WAC

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Well done to Mr Wilms for his hard work and efforts with all of our superb guitar students.

Well done also to the following students who achieved the following results in their Trinity College London Rock Pop exams

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Remember be interesting, be creative and learn an instrument!

Mr Simon Denley  
Creative Arts/LOTE Coordinator
Year 7 Excursion to Minnamurra Rainforest Centre

On Wednesday, 16 November all students from Year 7 travelled to the Minnamurra Rainforest Centre to view and study what is a rare remnant of temperate and sub-tropical rainforest in the Illawarra region. We enjoyed recess and lunch in the beautiful picnic area as well as an interesting talk by NPWS staff and a guided walk through the rainforest.

The focus of the day was conservation. One of the keys to the conservation of rainforest environments is education. Students were reminded about their importance in terms of:

- habitat (for indigenous groups and flora/fauna);
- their value as source of medical cures and treatments;
- timber (sustainably sourced); and
- climate moderation (photosynthesis, moisture control and cooling).

Thank you to Mr Hart and Mr Hewitt for their assistance on the day – it was superb.

Mrs Trudy Miller
HSIE Secondary Teacher

Junior History Excursion to the HTA NSW History Mastermind Competition

A select group of students will be travelling to St Clair High School on Friday, 25 November to represent the College in the HTA NSW History Mastermind Competition. Each team consists of four students with two teams from Year 7 and two teams from Year 8. The Competition rewards students who have worked hard and shown a keen interest in History. The College bus will leave the College at 7.30 am and return by approximately 4.00 pm. It promises to be a fun and rewarding day.

Mrs Trudy Miller
HSIE Secondary Teacher
**STUDENT MEDICATIONS**

As the end of Term 4 is fast approaching we ask that all parents who have students with medication at the College collect it to take home over the end of year break. That way you can check the expiry dates and discard any out of date items. This includes Asthma Relievers.

Thank you!

Mrs Lisa Grzasko  
Credit Controller

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**NEW EDUMATE PAYMENT SYSTEM**

Attention all parents

Please familiarise yourself over the 2016/2017 break with the new payment system offered through the Parent Portal. To sign in please use your current Parent Portal/Edumate log in username and password (if you have forgotten these or require the password to be reset please email the College at portal@wac.nsw.edu.au.)

There are many new features on offer through the new system such as:

1. The ability to view your invoice as soon as it is charged to your account - no waiting for the post to arrive.
2. The choice of the day of the week that the repayment is deducted from your account - not only a Thursday as per the previous system.
3. The ability to make payments on a weekly basis - fortnightly, monthly and termly instalments are also still available.
4. The ability to choose when your deductions start - ie if you get paid monthly you can choose to have the repayment deducted from your account the day after you are paid each month.
5. Details of any other charges added to your account and the ability to increase your repayments to cover these charges.

Please note that as per the terms and conditions on the invoice there will be a **LATE CHARGE** now added to all accounts not paid by the due date starting in Term 1, 2017. To avoid this charge please either pay your account in full by the due date on the invoice or if this is not possible please set up an automatic payment so you have the whole term to pay tuition costs.

If you require any additional assistance with setting up repayments for 2017 please contact me at the College on l.grzasko@wac.nsw.edu.au

Mrs Lisa Grzasko  
Credit Controller
A GREAT GIFT FOR CHRISTMAS

OUR FAMILY TABLE

Wollondilly Anglican College Cook Book

Available to purchase now.
$30 EACH OR TWO FOR $50

Pick up from the College office from Monday 28 November.

www.wac.nsw.edu.au/cookbook
**COMMUNITY**

- **Wollondilly Cares**
  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.

- **Fairways Official Launch!**
  Fairways is a sponsored fund to provide golfing pathways to children who love the game, but cannot afford to play it. By paying for memberships, lessons and range access for boys and girls, Fairways’ purpose is to increase participation while also supporting golf businesses and professionals. Join us for an afternoon of golf at the stunning Pymble Golf Club on the 28 November book tickets through www.fairways.golf

- **Picton Theatre Group - Ali Baba and The 40 Thieves**
  This Christmas Holidays come and see Ali Baba as he searches for the stolen treasure of the dreaded Al Rashid and his infamous gang of 40 thieves! Children $10.00 and Adults $15.00. Lunches available at the club. Picton Bowling Club, 10 Cliffe Street, Picton. Saturday, 14, 21 and 28 January 2017. 2 shows daily. Book online https://www.trybooking.com/NPNR Enquiries phone 0416 212 247

**RAISING FUNDS FOR LEUKAEMIA**

I have chosen a charity to support through the Christmas Light show that I run each year, with this year’s entire show being synchronized to music. This year we will be supporting the Leukaemia Foundation, and we would like your help!

Opening night will run on Thursday, 1 December kicking off at 8.00 pm. Your donations would be greatly appreciated. We are selling merchandise such as pens and pins, as well as cans of soft drink - where all proceeds will go to the Leukaemia foundation.

Your support is greatly appreciated. If you are not able to make it on the night, online donations will be greatly appreciated. You can access the page from: bit.ly/leukaemia_funds

If you are able to attend, we ask that you bring along a gold coin or more to donate. You will find the display on Ruddocks Road in Lakesland. For more details, please visit our Facebook page: @LeapingLights

I thank you for your support.

**Riley Boon Year 9**

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Please note that the above 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.

Thank you to our Gold Sponsors for the 2016 Golf Day:

- Stanton, Dahl Architects
- Nu Era Homes
- Lowes
- Taverner Landscapes
- Elders Real Estate
- Pinnacle Tax Accountants
# Our Sponsors

The P&F Association and the College appreciate very much the sponsorship given by the following organisations.

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|                  | Athletes Foot Macarthur Square |
|                  | Cuttaway Creek              |
|                  | Pump House Gym Picton       |
|                  | Belle Fleur Lavender        |
|                  | Wollondilly Community Leisure Centre |
|                  | Argyle Hair Design          |
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Wollondilly Anglican Community Church (WACC)

“Have you ever seen God?” That was the question posed by a sceptic to a Christian.
“No I haven’t”, said the Christian, “because I was born at a different time. But, I would have seen God if I was born 2016 years ago in the country of Israel!” This is the wonder of Christmas. God came to this planet, became a human being, and he did so to rescue us.

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.

Headmasterly Happenings

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Mark your Diary!

29 November | Junior Formal Assembly
30 November | Junior Presentation Night
2 December  | Middle Formal Assembly
5 December  | Senior Formal Assembly
6 December  | Middle Presentation Night
7 December  | College Presentation Night
7 December  | Last Day of Term for Years 10 and 11
8 December  | Last Day of Term
Thank God
- That our community is such a welcoming one as evidenced through the eyes of our new students.
- For our hard working support staff behind the classroom scene – Office /Grounds/IT/Aides.
- That He is able to look past our failings – pick us up – dust us off – and set us on our way again through His boundless love and grace.

Ask God
- That we will always be a place that welcomes new students and families.
- To assist us with planning for the long term future – for our current campus and our future campus (when the development of Wilton Junction township receives the government go-ahead).
- That College Council and staff will never tire of our mission here at WAC.

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

*Excellence, Endurance, Eternity*