



WINGHAM HIGH SCHOOL



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NEWSLETTER No 13, 26th October 2010

CALENDAR

Term 4, 2010

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| 8, 9, 10 November 2010 | <i>School Certificate Examinations (Year 10)</i> |
| 23 November 2010 | <i>ESSA Test (Year 8)</i> |
| 24 November 2010 | <i>Orientation Day (Year 7, 2011)</i> |
| 26, 27 November 2010 | <i>Night performances of Get Smart</i> |

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Welcome back to all the staff and students at Wingham High School. This term is a big term as far as students applying themselves to their studies, the exams aren't that far away. Every student should be working towards revising the year's work and planning a study timetable so they can achieve their best results in all subjects. On behalf of the Wingham High community I would like to wish Year 12 well in the Higher School Certificate.

Over the past few months the P & C, staff and Student Representative Council have been looking at just what is uniform. The review teams talked extensively to their groups and met to redefine acceptable uniform. Basically the changes are minor with the emphasis being on wearing the correct attire. Please note that the requirement for shoes reinforces the safe working environment legislation which requires an enclosed shoe (including the top of the foot). Simply stated, shoes are to be black or white leather (enclosed foot type). Jeans, thongs, board shorts, striped jumpers, coloured laces aren't uniform and must not be worn. Parents/carers are asked to look at their child's uniform and support their school in this regard. Students who, on the odd occasion, have the incorrect uniform for such things as ripped shoes etc must have a note provided to their roll class teacher so that a permission note can be issued this is for the rare occasion. The school learning community is proud of its school. It is this learning community that has decided that students should present themselves to the public in a positive light: a school that wears its uniform well.

WINGHAM HIGH SCHOOL UNIFORMS

At Wingham High, students are encouraged to take pride in their appearance and grooming. Being neat and well presented is a valuable social skill which can be fostered at school. Student uniforms have been approved by the parent body of the school which supports the wearing of a uniform.

Students have been actively involved in determining the specific nature of their uniforms. Below is an outline of the Wingham High School uniform:

| JUNIOR GIRLS Years 7 to 9 | SENIOR GIRLS Years 10 to 12 | JUNIOR BOYS Years 7 to 9 | SENIOR BOYS Years 10 to 12 |
|---|--|--|--|
| SHIRTS | | | |
| Sky Blue polo or shirt or blouse | White Polo Shirt or blouse | Navy/Red polo shirt or collared shirt | White Polo shirt or collared shirt |
| SHORTS – RESPECTABLE LENGTH/STYLE *** DENIM SHORTS, JEANS, BOARD SHORTS ARE UNACCEPTABLE *** | | | |
| Navy Blue | Navy Blue | Grey | Grey |
| SKIRT OR DRESS – RESPECTABLE LENGTH/STYLE (NO SPLIT) | | | |
| Navy Blue skirt Checked Dress | Navy Blue skirt Checked Dress | | |
| LONG PANTS | | | |
| Navy Blue Pants or Navy Track Pants | Navy Blue Pants or Navy Track Pants | Grey Pants | Grey Pants |
| JACKET *** NO LABELS ON ANY GARMENT EXCEPT SCHOOL LOGO *** | | | |
| Navy/white/red School hooded jumper or zip front | Navy/white/red School hooded jumper or zip front | Navy/white/red School hooded jumper or zip front | Navy/white/red School hooded jumper or zip front |
| Navy Blazer & Tie (optional) | Navy Blazer & Tie (optional) | Navy Blazer & Tie (optional) | Navy Blazer & Tie (optional) |
| SPORTS DAY (Years7 to 10) | | | |
| White polo shirt with Navy shorts or Navy track pants | | | |
| SHOES *** CANVAS SHOES ARE UNACCEPTABLE *** | | | |
| Shoes in white or black – leather enclosed foot type Shoe must be black for formal or representative occasions | | | |
| HATS *** HATS/HOODS OFF IN CLASS *** | | | |
| We actively encourage the wearing of hats | | | |

UNIFORM STOCKISTS

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The P & C has supported the school with the purchase of a Toyota Coaster bus to be used to benefit the students of Wingham High School. This is a wonderful acquisition and will make a significant difference to the school. Obviously there will be significant costs relating to the

operation of the bus and the school would welcome any community sponsorship that may be forthcoming.

I would like to congratulate and welcome Mrs Cassie Portelli to her appointment to the position of Head Teacher Mathematics. Cassie comes to the school with a strong background in mathematics and staff Professional Learning from Port Macquarie. Mrs Mudie has returned from leave – welcome back to the English faculty.

Just a reminder that the school newsletter now comes out once a month and is available on the web site for viewing. We are at present looking into the possibility of emailing as each month's edition becomes available.

Please remember the school fees to support the learning are due. Please contact the accounts office to finalise these.

Don Mitchell
Principal

MATHEMATICS EXAMINATIONS

Students in Years 7, 8 and 9 will have their Yearly Examinations in Mathematics during next week (Week 4). Please make sure your student has a working scientific calculator. If you could encourage them to study by reading over their notes and doing practice questions given to them by their teacher that would also help.

This exam is worth the greatest percentage toward their yearly report and plays a big part in their class placement for 2011.

Cassandra Portelli
Head Teacher Mathematics

ALLERGY REMINDER

Thank you all for your cooperation and vigilance with not including peanuts and peanut products in students' lunch boxes.

Remember:

NO peanuts or peanut products are to be brought to school.



STUDENT2STUDENT TUTORING

Wingham High School has partnered with The Smith Family for the past five years to provide mentors for the reading buddy program – student2student.

The student2student program works by matching students who need to improve their reading with older mentors, who have received training to help develop literacy skills in others. Mentors need to be friendly and positive and possess good communication skills. They receive support and guidance from trained mentor supervisors.

This peer support is the key to the program's success. Research shows that one of the best ways to support primary and early secondary level students who have reading difficulties is for the help to come from others near their own age.

The student2student program runs during Terms 2 and 3 each year. Mentors are matched with a student and both only know each other by their first name. Mentors telephone their student 2-3 times a week and assist their student with reading from books provided by The Smith Family.

Students, their families and the mentor supervisors have been glowing in praise for the commitment and dedication mentors have provided to the program. Students have increased their confidence in reading as has their enjoyment in picking up a book for pleasure.

The Smith Family would like to thank the mentors who offered their time.

- Lachlan James (Year 7)
- Mikayla Peckett (Year 7)
- Cameron Stuart (Year 7)
- Samantha James (Year 8)
- Eddi Raglus (Year 8)
- Nicholas Zanardi (Year 8)
- Laine Kennedy (Year 9)
- Jake Gahlin (Year 9)
- Clare Crossingham (Year 10)

This has been a very successful year for the program. In 2011, we hope to expand the program further and welcome all enquiries about the program. If you would like to know more about student2student, please contact Heidi Prowse the Learning for Life Worker with The Smith Family on 6551 0229 or heidi.prowse@thesmithfamily.com.au

LETTERS OF PRAISE – WINGHAM HIGH SCHOOL

Attached are copies of two letters recently forwarded to the school that relay positive community feelings towards the students at Wingham High School. The school is always immensely happy to receive positive feedback from the wider community. This shows that students have pride in their school and themselves.

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The Principal
Wingham High School
Wingham NSW 2429

Dear MR MITCHELL

On behalf of the President and members of the Wingham RSL Sub Branch may I pass on our thanks and gratitude to your School for the part played in the recent Commemorative Day "Battle for Australia".

The School Representatives Renee and Tenika were great as usual, Renee spoke very well to a large gathering with great maturity and Tenika lead the singing of the National Anthem with great feeling, they leave now as Students may we wish them a wonderful future.

As always Wingham RSL Sub Branch is proud of our association with Wingham High School.

Ron Irwin
Secretary
Returned and Services League of Australia
Wingham Sub Branch
6553 4594
5 September 2010

"LEST WE FORGET"

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Don Mitchell
Wingham High School
Rowley St.
Wingham 2429
23/8/10

Dear Don,

I am writing on behalf of the Taree croquet Club to congratulate the school on the excellent behaviour of the children who have been coming to us for their sport on Fridays. We have thoroughly enjoyed their company, enthusiasm, energy and the laughter that we have all shared. Fridays have been such a fun day for us and I hope the children have enjoyed them as much as we have. Could you please pass on our congratulations to them.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Lyn".

(Secretary)

CANTEEN ROSTER

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| 01/11/2010 | Marie Reeve, Judy Bradbury, Della Machin |
| 02/11/2010 | Caroline Weekes, Liz Fenech |
| 03/11/2010 | Donna Doulton, Roslyn Deal |
| 04/11/2010 | Louise Smith, Anne Munns |
| 05/11/2010 | Deidre Zielke, Therese Hopkins, HELP X 1 |
| 08/11/2010 | Marie Reeve, Joyce Cummings |
| 09/11/2010 | Melinda Murphy, Hermoine McCormack, Paul Stringer |
| 10/11/2010 | Julie Page, Judy Abdo |
| 11/11/2010 | Hazel Saxby, Denise Polley |
| 12/11/2010 | Della Machin, Beate Brooks, HELP X 1 |
| 15/11/2010 | Marie Reeve, Lyn King, Della Machin |
| 16/11/2010 | Christine Donehue, Jean Cameron, Bronwyn Wallace |
| 17/11/2010 | Dave Fuller, Caroline Weekes |
| 18/11/2010 | Roxanne Richards, Julianne Webster |
| 19/11/2010 | Denise Blanch, Linelle Bird, Dana Webster |
| 22/11/2010 | Kay Brauer, Lorraine McGrath, Michelle Swannack |
| 23/11/2010 | Mere Male Day – Dave Fuller, Ken Cameron, Allen Skinner |
| 24/11/2010 | Linda Mackenzie, Gai Wespi |
| 25/11/2010 | Hazel Saxby, Julieanne Webster |
| 26/11/2010 | Della Machin, Jenny Lambourne, Marie Reeve |

Some Friday's are still a bit of a problem so if you feel that you can lend a hand please contact Lynda Nash, Canteen Supervisor; your help is always greatly appreciated.

YEAR 10 FORMAL

Year 10 Formal is **NOT SUPPORTED** or **SANCTIONED** by Wingham High School.

Some Year 10 students are putting on a formal November 19, 6:30pm at the Wingham RSL. Please note that Wingham High School **does not** support or supervise this out-of-school function. **No** Wingham High School teachers will attend or supervise in any way.

There has been talk from the students about an after party. Again Wingham High School will have no association with this party and does not condone any function where alcohol may be available illegally to students and may be potentially dangerous.

Mr Harrell and Mrs Sedgwick

TAREE HEIFER AND CATTLE SHOW

On the last Friday of the School Holidays 15 students attended the Taree Heifer show with approximately 11 cattle. Thanks must go to all of the show team who prepared cattle in their holidays and attended both the Friday and Saturday shows. Mr Bob Settle, John Hawkins and Charlie Cassels were very pleased with the results of many of our students. All students got extra practice in cattle handling and parading as they were called upon by other breeds present on the day to parade their animals.



The following results were recorded:

Vegetables

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| Georgia Bramble | 1 st | Qualified for Sydney Royal Show |
| Matt Fawcett | 2 nd | Qualified for Sydney Royal Show |
| Taryn Worth | 3 rd | |

Junior Paraders

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| Jonty Hemmingway | 2 nd | 10 – 14 |
| Taryn Worth | 2 nd | 15 – 17 |
| Matt Martin | 4 th | 15 – 17 |
| Georgia Bramble | Highly Commended | 15 – 17 |

Junior Judging

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| Emily Holden and Josh Atkins | 3 rd | 10 – 14 |
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RSA Paraders

Georgia Bramble

Ryag

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| Taryn worth | Encouragement Award | 6 th in Paraders |
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Georgia and Taryn would like to thank Rotary.

Taryn worth and Georgia Bramble are following this showing with their attendance at RYAG Beef in Coonabarabran this week.

Mr Cassels plus 4 parents and Mr Settle will be attending The Scone Beef Bonanza during Week 3.

Mr Hawkins

COWS CREAT CAREERS COMPETITION WAUCHOPE

The competition was finalised on Monday 25th October with 16 students attending the excursion and presentation. Our junior group of students the "Crazy Cows" consisting of Jonty Hemmingway, Samantha Deal, Danny McMillan, Corey Saxby and Elle Deane received a 1st prize in the Junior teams competition for the Mid North Coast competition. They received \$5000 prize money each and a certificate (total \$250.00).

Our Senior teams both scored very highly and were only just beaten in the finales point score.

The quality of the power points / newsletters and letters to the industry advocates were all exceptionally high this year.

Mr Hawkins congratulates all those teams who entered the 2010 competition.

P & C REIMBURSEMENT

It is the policy of Wingham High School P & C to reimburse students some of the expenses incurred by a student in representing Wingham High School. The level of reimbursement will be determined by the standard of representation whether it be State or National and can cover such expenses as entry fees, fares, accommodation or transport but does not include day to day expenses such as food, drink or spending money.

IF YOU WISH TO MAKE A CLAIM FOR THIS REPRESENTATION PLEASE DOWNLOAD THE APPLICATION FORM FROM THIS WEBSITE, INDICATE APPLICABLE EXPENSES INCURRED AND SIGN THE FORM AND RETURN TO THE ACCOUNTS DEPARTMENT OF THE SCHOOL.

FLASH DRIVES

Many students are using Flash Drives (Thumb Drives) to back up and carry work between home and school. We realise that this is a necessary tool but request that you have your student put their name on their drive as they are easily lost or forgotten and it could be quite devastating to the student if this work is lost. We suggest that you purchase a plastic key tag and clearly mark the students name and a contact telephone number and attach it to the drive, so that when one turns up the staff and other students can quickly return it to its rightful owner. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

ABSENCE NOTES AND LEAVE PASS NOTES

It is increasingly difficult to process notes explaining student absences and requests for leave passes as there is often a lack of information on them. We request that parents writing notes please include the student's first and last name and school year. **Also, the first and last name of the parent/carer if your surname is different to your child's.** We also

require a reason for the leave request, e.g. appointment, sick etc. The time that your child needs to leave and will be returning to school is also extremely important. If we have an emergency evacuation we need to be able to verify the whereabouts of **all** students at **all** times.

Also, if your student will be arriving late to school for any reason they **MUST BE** accompanied by a parent/carer to sign them in or provide a note explaining their lateness. If a note is not provided the student will be marked unjustified and dealt with by the deputy principal.

We are quite tolerant of students attending appointments in school time within reason. While Doctor, Dentist/Orthodontist appointments that cannot be made after hours are acceptable, hairdressing/nail etc appointments are more likely to be frowned upon and refused. Also, a reminder that Friday afternoon is sport afternoon and sport is a compulsory component of the junior curriculum.

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PLEASE NOTE: THE SKIRT IN THE SAME CHECKED MATERIAL AS THE SCHOOL DRESS **IS NOT** OFFICIAL WINGHAM HIGH SCHOOL UNIFORM AND **SHOULD NOT** BE PURCHASED.

IF THERE IS A CHANGE IN THE OFFICIAL SCHOOL UNIFORM PARENTS AND STUDENTS WILL BE ADVISED.

GRANDPARENTS WHO BECOME PARENTS AGAIN NEED SUPPORT

Grandparents as parents again (GAPA) are a support group for grandparents who are raising or providing some care for their grandchildren.

We have started a group in Tare with monthly meetings and social days.

Our meetings are held on the second Wednesday of the month (except in school holidays) at Tare Leagues Sports club at 10.00 am.

Anyone interested can call Marilyn O'Neill on 6585 5185 or call into the Tare Library, 242 Victoria Street to pick up a brochure.

ZUMBA FITNESS - ADVERTISEMENT



Elma's ZUMBA Fitness Class

Wingham Memorial Service Club

Wednesday at 5:30pm sharp.

New participants should arrive early to register.

Elma Wade 0416 126 154

Email: elma@inbox.com

For up to date information about **ALL** classes

Website: <http://54059.zumba.com/>

TRY SAILING DAY – WHY NOT COME ALONG ITS FREE

With a successful history behind it, TRY SAILING has become an anticipated event throughout all participating sailing clubs both metropolitan and country NSW.

You are invited to experience the joys of sailing by the Boating Industry association of NSW with the MANNING RIVER SAILING CLUB (behind KFC). It is a completely free day for children and family groups. Club facilities, boats and sailing jackets are provided on the day. Come along to the MANNING RIVER SAILING CLUB and enjoy the fun!

If this appeals to you please come along on Sunday, 7th November, 2010 between **10am and 4pm**.

Parents or Guardians must accompany children under the age of 18 years. Please be sure to wear comfortable clothes, white soled shoes if possible, a hat and sunscreen.

KERRIE RENEE DANCE STUDIO - ADVERTISEMENT

YOU ARE INVITED TO A VERY IMPORTANT DATE! Kerrie Renee Dance Studio, Wingham presents 'Adventures in Underland'. Based on the children's story Alice in Wonderland the student's of KR Dance will take you on a magical journey through the garden's of Underland meeting colourful characters on their way. A great night out for kids and family alike, Adventures in Underland will have you immersed in a world of mad hatters, queens, cats, caterpillars and more. So come follow Alice down the rabbit hole and lose yourself in an adventure of colour, music and props that will have you smiling like a Cheshire cat. Concert will be held at the Manning Entertainment Centre on November 27 at 6:00pm. Tickets are \$16 for adults and \$13 for concession and are available from Video Ezy, Taree or online from www.gtcc.nsw.gov.au For more information on this and what KR Dance has to offer then please call Kerrie Renee on 6557 1048 or 0450 704 544 or e-mail Kerrie@krdance.com.au.

Kerrie Bates



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