

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Our Year 12 HSC exams concluded on Wednesday 6th November with the final exam being Visual Arts. I would like to thank Presiding Officer Mrs Sue McGilvray who once again did a great job of running the exams her professionalism as well as caring and calm demeanour provides the ideal environment for the students to do their best. Also a big thankyou goes to the exam supervisors who were similarly professional and supportive of the students.

Recent announcements by the State Government regarding the Resource Allocation Model (RAM) have seen Wingham High School benefit considerably from this new funding system. State Member for Myall Manning, Mr Steven Bromhead will be visiting the school on the 11th December in relation to this announcement. This funding will allow the school to sustain programs aimed at improving engagement and attainment for all students.

The School Production is just around the corner, Romeo & Juliet – Summer of '66 is shaping up to be an absolute spectacular event. Tickets are still on sale and can be purchased for \$7 from our accounts office or Beta Electrical in Wingham.

Year 6-7 transition is in full swing with visits to each of the Primary schools by our Year 7 Adviser Mr Jovanovic, Student representatives and Deputy Principal Mr Ivers. Mrs Sedgwick one of our Learning and Support Teachers has been coordinating regular visits for students who require additional support in this process.

COFFEE REPORT



On the 28th and 29th of October eleven of the Year 11 Hospitality students attended a TAFE Barista course that was conducted at Wingham High. Students learned to prepare and service 4 main coffees. Students had fun in making the long blacks, lattes, flat whites and cappuccinos.

We would like to thank Ken, John and Joanie from Great Lakes TAFE for the great hands on session. They arrived with 6 machines and 6 coffee grinders and all the gear to go with it. Students learned how to tamper the coffee, stretch the milk and then combine the two to create great

beverages.



Thanks to the staff that purchased our practices and made a donation to our charity.

Kyra and Tahlia – Year 11 Hospitality and SRC

SRC REPORT

A new SRC have been inducted this term. 45 students have participated in a training session conducted by the 4 new school leaders. We have divided into four teams to focus our activities for the next few weeks.

The new team is:

Captains: Eddi Raglus, Joel Hedge

Vice Captains: Kate Shields, Jack Croker

Year 11 - 12: Tahlia Dawson, Samantha James, Brittany Lloyd, Kyra Yea, Luke Holden, Owen Lednor.

Year 10 - 11: Llandela Causer, Emillie Cullen, Samantha Deal, Mikayla Peckett, Darcy Byrne, Jack Donehue, Jake Irvine, Jorj Sumpner-Johnston and Jack Wallace

Year 9 – 10: Genevieve Blenkin, Hayley Brood, Grace Callaghan, Katelyn Eveleigh, Nikitta Gallagher, Neisha Lowe, Olivia Russell, Sophie Smyth, Brianna Xuereb, Tara Yea, Denham Callanan, Jai Harrison, Robert Hawkins and Adam Todd.

Year 8 – 9: Amylia Eddie, Celeste Robertson, Jacob Murison and Wilson Sadler.

Year 7 – 8: Cheyenne Abrahams, Madeleine Barwell, Tallulah Greaves, Anna McFarland, Chloe Moran-Choppin, Taj Greaves, Luke Percival and Brook Todd.

Year 7: Elected by Week 5 Term 1 2014.

The four leaders, Joel, Eddie, Jack and Kate travelled with Mrs Kendall on Thursday, 31st October 2013 to Newcastle for an inspirational leader's day. All are motivated and have lots of ideas to share with the rest of the team. They are looking forward to their next 3 ½ terms of school leadership duties.

Brittany - Year 11 and Maddi - Year 8 SRC

OUT OF UNIFORM DAY – BUSHFIRE APPEAL

On the 30th October Wingham High held an "Out of Uniform" Uniform day where students got dressed in Uniform of different organisations to raise money for the NSW Bushfires. There were a few bushfire brigade uniform about as well as two bull riders, there was a lot of workers and other sport players. A great day was had by all.

7 students from Wingham High School collected money from the Wingham community. \$167 was raised from school students, \$420 from the community, the total of money raised was approx.

Half of the money will go to the Red Cross Bushfire Appeal to help those whose possessions and houses were lost in the bush fires, the other half will go to local volunteer fire brigades to help buy supplies desperately needed to fight fires.



**** Some of the SRC students collecting the bushfire appeal****



"The Bush Fire"

She sifted through ash, that once was her home,
Emotionless; -- drained; -- and beat!
No matter how long; she will never outlive
The trauma! The smoke! And the heat!

They noticed, one Sunday, just after mid-day,"
The stillness, the foreboding quiet.
No birds, no cicadas, no rustle of leaves;
'Twas eerie and still as the night.

They were quite unaware, for they'd failed to observe
The faint trace of smoke in the air.
The air was so still, not a breath to disturb
Even the fine Maidenhair.

They turned on the 'telly' to watch the sport
And relax for the afternoon.
But a news-flash bought a bush-fire report
And the threat of imminent doom.

They felt they were safe, at least for a day.
With no wind to bring danger their way.
Still; -- they rechecked the gutters and raked the ground;
Filled buckets with water; and hosed all around.

They worked in the heat till they felt they could drop
But they still carried on. Unwilling to stop.
They took every precaution the fire-drill advised,
But then to their horror; they realised;

With the threat of a storm and a southerly change
The fire had turned and swept up the range.
It came with such force and ferocity,
Swirling and leaping from tree to tree.

Engulfing the whole countryside with fire.
As the wind grew stronger the flames leapt higher.
It sucked up the oxygen and replaced it with smoke.
They knew they must leave; for to stay was to choke.

! And the heat!

P & C NEWS

I would like to wish the Year 12 students the best of luck in their current HSC exams. I am sure they are cramming as much study in as they can at the moment. I am sure your parents and carers are proud of what you have achieved; all anyone can ask of you is for you to give it your best. Best of luck.

I was at the Myall Lakes Community awards on Saturday it is humbling to see all the people who support our local community, I was told by Steve Bromhead's advisor that there are over 1000 community groups throughout the Manning Valley, Great Lakes and Gloucester regions. Our communities would not survive without our volunteers.

Mrs Michelle Swannack, who has been one of our canteen volunteers and has also filled in when Lynda has been away has recently been appointed Canteen Supervisor at Tinonee Public School. We wish her well in her new position and are sad to lose her. Thank you Michelle for all of your hard work and help with Lynda and the canteen over the years.

The new menu for Term 4 is going well. There are a lot of choices on this new menu. This menu will continue through to Term 1 2014. Lynda has had some volunteers who have been unable to turn up for their rostered day lately. If you cannot turn up please inform Lynda and she may be able to organise someone else to help her. If there is anyone out there who has a spare day or few hours, Lynda needs more volunteers. Please call her on 6553 5488.

For our Rotary Dinner I would like to acknowledge the contribution of local businesses. Wingham Beef Exports donated all of the meat for the dinner, Saxbys Soft Drinks donated Ginger Beer and PFD discounted some food items purchased for the dinner. We cannot thank them enough for their contribution to our school.

Volunteers are invited to the Matinee performance of Romeo and Juliet on Thursday 21 November with a Luncheon provided afterwards. This is for all of your service and time to the school throughout the year and it is how the P & C would like to say thank you to all of our school volunteers.

Our District Council meeting is set for Saturday 9 November at 1.30pm for 2.00pm at Mitchells Island Primary School. All are welcomed to attend; this will be our last meeting for the year.

The next meeting of our P & C will be on **Thursday 7 November at 6.00pm** in the Staff Common Room. Hope to see you there.

Thanks

Anne Munns

PRODUCTION REPORT

The school production this year is **Romeo** Somewhere along the way the Beatles in the story. There is to be great action, Performances are 7.30pm on Thursday and ticket price for entry is \$7.00. Tickets High School Accounts Office and

Jai and Denham - Year 9 SRC



and Juliet with a twist.

and Rolling Stones get mixed up music, costumes and set design. 21st and Friday 22nd November are available from Wingham McKeoughs Betta Electrical.

Love Me Dead



That smile she wears is just on display
Beneath that smile she wastes away
Everyone asked her what she wanted to be
Secretly deep down she wanted to be free
She walked a tight rope of love and hate
But whispered words sealed her fate
That girl danced to the rhythm of her heart
But now she dances in heavens fine art
And when she died did you feel guilt?
You're paying the price for the coffin you built

Emily Luckie

CANTEEN ROSTER

18/11/2013	Annie Upton, Marie Reeve, HELP NEEDED
19/11/2013	Caroline Weekes, George Greaves
20/11/2013	Judy Abdo, Julie Page
21/11/2013	Ronwyn Meaker, Jacquie Godfrey
22/11/2013	Therese Hopkins, Susan Watson, HELP NEEDED
25/11/2013	Kay Brauer, Lorraine McGrath, HELP NEEDED
26/11/2013	MERE MALES – Ken Cameron, Allen Skinner
27/11/2013	Sandy Osmond, Lauren Robertson
28/12/2013	Jeff Ritchie, Jason Mills
29/12/2013	Marie Reeve, Jenny Collier, Pat Skinner
02/12/2013	Linda MacKenzie, Lisa Brissett
03/12/2013	Caroline Weekes, HELP NEEDED
04/12/2013	Hermione McCormack, Melinda Murphy
05/12/2013	Leanne Foster, Robert Allen, Liz Fenech
06/12/2013	Jeff Ritchie, Marie Reeve, Julianne Webster
09/12/2013	Joyce Cummings, Marie Reeve, HELP NEEDED
10/12/2013	Christine Donohue, Jean Cameron, Bronwyn Wallace
11/12/2013	Sandy Osmond, Judy Abdo
12/12/2013	Louise Smith, Anne Munns
13/12/2013	HELP NEEDED, HELP NEEDED, HELP NEEDED
16/12/2013	Annie Upton, Marie Reeve, HELP NEEDED
17/12/2013	Caroline Weekes, George Greaves
18/12/2013	Judy Abdo, Julie Page
19/12/2013	PUPIL FREE
20/12/2013	PUPIL FREE

YEAR 7 END OF YEAR EXCURSION

Notice to all parents who have paid their deposit for the Year 7 End of Year Excursion to Darling Harbour/IMAX Theatre. Payments need to be completed by Monday, 2nd December 2013.

\$10,000 scholarship!!! Open night for digital media, Animation and IT College

“Students interested in a career in digital media, IT programming, mobile apps or game design are invited to apply for a \$10,000 scholarship to study at the Academy of Information Technology. AIT is hosting an information night on November 20 for students or parents interested in learning about careers and study options in the IT and creative fields. All ages welcome Register at <http://www.ait.nsw.edu.au/events/>”

Information for Technology, Arts, computer Teachers and Careers Advisors

The Academy of Information Technology is Australia’s leading provider of Higher Education and VET courses in digital media, mobile application development, animation and IT programming. Our campus is located in the heart of Sydney’s CBD and features state of the art technology. Our courses have established pathways to universities such as USYD, UTS and Uni of Wollongong and all courses are recognised by the Australian Computer Society. Fee help and VET FEE help is available.

Creative and Tech-Focused Students Need Opportunities like AIT

Please call 9211 8399 or Email infor@ait.nsw.edu.au if you would like to:

1. Bring a group of students on a day excursion to learn new skills in digital animation, game design or computer programming.
2. Have an AIT member come and speak at your school about careers and study options in the creative industries
3. Attend a FREE teacher training workshop on any of the following
 - a. Social media Updates and how to teach students to use LinkedIn for Career opportunities
 - b. Latest Online trends and Developments
 - c. Improving work efficiency – great apps and websites to get your jobs done faster



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Sunday, 17 November at 2pm
Harrington Chapel, Harrington Waters Shopping Centre

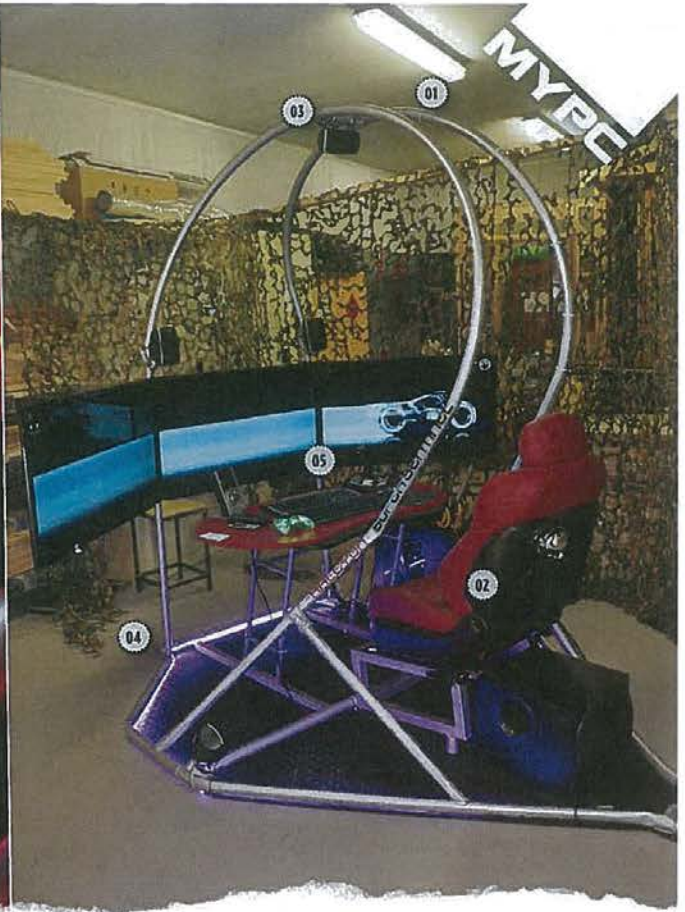
Saturday, 23 November at 2pm
Krambach School of Arts Hall, Krambach

Sunday, 24 November at 2pm
Tuncurry Memorial Hall, Point Road, Tuncurry

Tickets at select outlets or at the door.
Check website for details
www.sinfoniamnc.com
or ring 0408 320 970

Ticket prices:
Adult \$25 Student/Conc. \$20
Group (10 or more) \$15 ea
Child (under 16) FREE





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This month's MY PC brought to you by



FOUR MOST IMPRESSIVE FEATURES:

1. Three 40-inch Samsung LED TVs running in Eyefinity mode.
2. SS Commodore leather seat that I have found at the auto-wreckers.
3. My Logitech Z-5500 speakers that really make a rumble when I need them to.
4. My custom-built, 16-fan PC which needed a bit of a number crunch to run the screens.

LAST UPGRADE: The installation of my PC into the frame itself.

DREAM UPGRADE: I have dreamed and this was my upgrade. But my mechanical drive does get a bit slow when I need it to load certain files. When I get a bit of cash, I will install a good SSD.

FAVOURITE FEATURE: The frame. I love sitting inside the frame. Feels like I am about to fly off!

WHY SD SPECIAL?: It is uniquely built upon a dream I had one and a half years ago.

JAKE WINS!

A four terabyte Black HDD from Western Digital! Insane storage space and super high build quality will keep you gaming for years!



WINNER!

1. Just freaking look at it - this is easily the best home-made gaming frame we've ever seen. Spot the kid who should seriously consider a career as an engineer.
2. What could be comfier than the bucket seat out of an SS Commodore? The attention to detail with the mount is simply stunning.
3. Jake's got the position of the monitors and front L/R speakers absolutely perfect, but we reckon that centre channel speaker could be dropped down to the monitor level.
4. Is that stupidly sexy purple Neon lighting around the base of the frame? Classy without being garish. Jake's got taste.
5. The only thing missing from this shot is a Fanatec steering wheel, but in other photos we could see Jake does indeed have a wheel. Catch you in iRacing mate?

WANT FREE STUFF?

Send your MyPC entry today to mypc@pcpowerplay.com.au. Include the four most impressive elements of its hardware, your last upgrade, your dream upgrade, your favourite feature and what you think makes your PC special. Make sure to include your name, age and location. And last but not least, attach a 5MP or bigger image of your PC! No camera phone shots, and make sure it's in focus!

CAREERS NEWS

On Tuesday 22nd October, 15 students from Year 11 attended the Southern Cross University School Visit Day at Coffs Harbour. It was an opportunity for students to explore course offerings and the campus, as well as get a feel for university life. Every campus of every university is quite different in size and atmosphere; therefore, it is worth going to visit to see which campus/university might be suitable for further study.

There will be numerous opportunities for students to visit other universities in the next 12 months. There will be excursions organised for University of Wollongong in February, University of New England in May and University of Newcastle in June/July. Other universities and private providers will hold Open Days during Term 3 next year.

Feel free to contact me regarding any Careers related matter for your child.

Shirley Clissold - Careers Adviser.