



## Dates to Remember

November 23-25

School Production

November 30

Year 10 Authentic Assessment

December 1

P&C Meeting

December 7

Year 6 Orientation Day

December 7

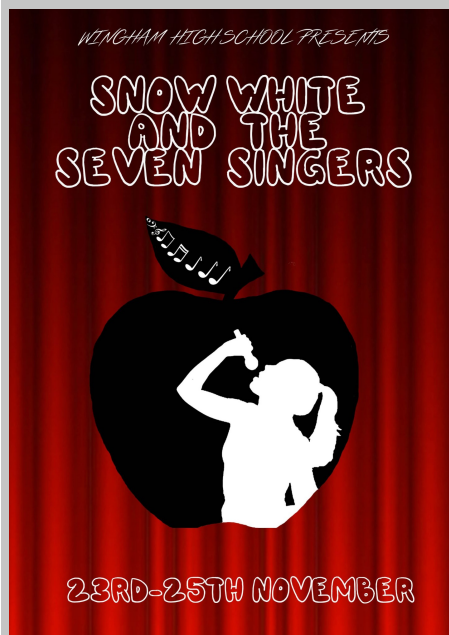
Presentation Night

December 8

Sports Assembly



Lilly Border and Emma Scowen give the new breakfast program the thumbs up.  
(more details on page 3).



**Tickets on sale now  
at the  
Accounts Office  
\$5 each**



## From the Principal's Desk

Times are exciting! Here we sit at the end of week 6 and there is a swathe of students amongst their final course examinations. Just as importantly are the other events that we have buzzing around us.

Year 12 had a fantastic evening at the Year 12 Formal, where it is always such an uplifting experience seeing our new group of young adults dressed in their finery for one last school outing. Some of the students have already received their early entry offers into university whilst others are joyful about employment opportunities they have landed. We all now eagerly await their HSC results. We wish them all the best.

Another group of students are working like bees in a hive to get this year's school performance up and ready. It is with great anticipation that we await this year's spectacular. It again is great to observe the enthusiasm of all involved in getting this production together and again wish everyone all the best.

School is far from completed however with more exciting initiatives and learning ahead. It is important to remember that although there are plenty of different things going on classes are still 'business as usual'.

Can't wait to be a part of the exciting things coming up. I hope to see you there!

Paul Ivers



## Production Rehearsal

### Wingham High School presents "Snow White and the Seven Singers."

Come along to Wingham High School's end of year production "Snow White and the Seven Singers." A re-working of the classic fairy tale, sees young Scarlett White working in a busy record company in the 1980's. A musical about love, friendship and the belief that dreams really do come true. Written by WHS Year 10 student Travis Cross and starring all of your favourite songs and pop-stars from the glitzy decade - the 80's.

Tickets are \$5 each and can be purchased from the Accounts Office at school.

Dates: Wednesday 23rd November - 7.00pm  
Thursday 24th November - 12.00pm  
Friday 25th November - 7.00pm

WINGHAM HIGH SCHOOL PRESENTS

# SNOW WHITE AND THE SEVEN SINGERS

23RD-25TH NOVEMBER





## Breakfast

The Monday and Wednesday breakfast is an initiative of the Wellbeing and Learning Support Team within the school.

It was noted that many students were coming to school hungry, whether they had breakfast at home or not, did not seem to matter.

After much discussion, staff considered the best venue was the ATSI office window due to its proximity to the front of the school and the ambient atmosphere of the lawn (who doesn't want to have breakfast on the lawn?).

With bread donated by the Wingham Coles store and other necessities provided by the Wellbeing and Learning Support Team, breakfast is a success so far.

"Mondays and Wednesdays are my favourite days now!" Year 9 student

"This is the best idea! Ever!" Year 11 student



## Year 11 Work Experience



Rory Perks has been doing work experience in the school canteen since February this year. He has a passion for hospitality and this has helped him obtain some important skills including food preparation, cleaning, teamwork and working under time constraints. He has just entered Year 12 and intends to continue this work experience next year.

## Year 11 Quad Bike Training



Year 11 Primary Industries class attended an industry standard quad bike training course. This is conducted through Taree TAFE and provides students with training and safety scenarios during two practical days and a theoretical day to assess their competence to be able to safely operate a quad bike.

*Claudia Greenaway, Shelby Johnston, Hayley Mills*

## 2016 Aboriginal Education Awards

Eight students were nominated for the Regional Aboriginal Educational Awards, including Christopher being nominated for Outstanding Student Participation, Danny for Outstanding Achievement in Sport, Katelyn for Academic Excellence and Isaiah who won the Academic Excellence Award. This award is presented to Aboriginal students who have demonstrated outstanding academic assessment in three or more subjects in 2016 and who display a positive attitude to school and a commitment to ongoing education or training.

Other nominees were Kellie Riggs, Laura-May deBouter, Scott Bishop and Chloe Moran-Choppin.

The awards were presented to students at a function at Chatham High School on Tuesday, 22nd November where students and their family enjoyed a light luncheon.



*Isaiah Hardy*



*Christopher Katsamangos*

*Katelyn Roberts*



*Danny Bisby*





## Wingham High Talent Keeps Shining Through The Community



The Rotary Manning Valley Schools Spectacular was held on Thursday, October 27. This event included performances from schools around the region and included legendary artists like Don Spencer, Rachel Scott and George Ellis. Three of our talented students performed – Jai Harrison and Grace Callaghan who have been a part of this show for several years sharing their beautiful harmonies and Caitlyn Cameron who wowed the audience with her classical voice. These students are to be commended for their dedication to the Arts and congratulated for representing Wingham High School and doing us proud.



Caitlyn is taking this to a whole new level next year. She has auditioned and been accepted into the High School Honour's Performance Program and will perform at the Sydney Opera House on July 10 2017. This is an amazing achievement as the program is international and Caitlyn was able to choose to perform in Sydney or at Carnegie Hall in New York, USA and competed against graduating students from around the world. As part of the program Selected Finalists will spend six days in Sydney, where they will study under master conductors, experience the highlights of "the Harbour City", and get to know other accomplished musicians from around the world.



### Year 10 Marine Studies

On Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> November Year 10 Marine Studies took part in an open discussion with a commercial fisherman Chris Watson from Taree. Marine Studies students have been studying both commercial and recreational fishing in NSW. Chris is a certified Master Fisherman with a variety of perspectives on the current state of the industry in terms of rules and regulations. Chris bought his boat and gear with him and showed our students the environmental issues and conservation practices that commercial fisherman use locally to keep their industry sustainable. John Hawkins



### Junior Cultural Day

On Tuesday, 8<sup>th</sup> November, Wingham High School's Indigenous students participated in the Junior Cultural experience out at Saltwater Reserve. Here they were met by local Biripi Nation Elders Aunty Faye Ridgeway and Uncle Steve Saunders, TIDE representative Sean Ploder, and Wingham High School staff Brendan Croker (Aboriginal Education Liaison Officer), Tiffany White (Teacher) and Damien Keen (Deputy Principal).

The students were given the opportunity to learn about the history and cultural traditions of the area as well as learn about the laws of the Biripi Nation. To start the day, the 12 attending students were given an introduction to a range of traditional hunting weapons including a boondi (club) and a coolamon (to carry a baby or berries). Then the students proceeded to walk to the other end of the reserve to learn about the differing traditional roles and areas that were used by Indigenous people for thousands of years. They also learned about the Tree of Wisdom (female) and Tree of Life (male) reserved for special ceremonies and rites of passage. The natural resources and how they were utilised were pointed out throughout the bushwalk and students used these opportunities to ask questions.





# WINGHAM HIGH SCHOOL

## Year 7 Orientation Day

*Tuesday 6 December 2016*

This is an information and orientation day for students commencing at Wingham High School in 2017.



### **What is happening on the day:**

- Students come along for taster lessons
- Visit classrooms and orientate around the school
- Able to meet teachers and fellow students
- Experience the day in the life of a high school student
- BBQ Lunch provided

*If you require information about Year 7 enrolments to Wingham High School, please speak to your child's primary school.*



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Fact sheet

# CYBER SAFETY top ten tips for youth

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The internet and mobile phones provide great ways to express yourself and communicate with others. It's important to make sure they're used responsibly so that everyone has an enjoyable online experience.

It's all about respecting yourself and others.

1. Use a **strong password**, a combination of upper and lower case letters, numbers and symbols, eg P@\$\$w0rd!
2. Use **secure web browsers**, those with https at the start of the URL and a padlock or other indication that it is secure, when sharing sensitive information.
3. Update your **operating system** regularly and make sure you have **antivirus** software installed on your computer and other devices – phones too!
4. Avoid opening or responding to emails from people you do not know and aren't expecting – They could contain a virus or malicious software.
5. Don't give out **private information** over the internet or mobile phones about you, your family and friends. Also think about what information might be contained in photos you share.
6. Only accept **friend requests** from people you know and trust. When it comes to friends and followers online it is not a popularity contest!
7. **Think before you post!** Once you've pressed 'Send' you can't get that back. Who might see that photo, video or comment? Where might it end up?
8. Make sure your social media accounts are set to **private or friends only!** Also make sure you check your privacy settings regularly as they can change without you knowing.
9. Tell your friends to ask for **your permission** before uploading or tagging you in a photo – Make sure you do the same!
10. Don't post **inappropriate or illegal** content - It is impossible to permanently delete digital content once it has been shared.

Most importantly, know where you can go for help! Speak to an adult you trust if something makes you feel uncomfortable online or on a mobile phone. You can also contact:

- Reach Out: [www.reachout.com.au](http://www.reachout.com.au)
- Bullying. No Way!: [www.bullyingnoway.com.au](http://www.bullyingnoway.com.au)
- Kids Helpline: 1800 55 1800
- Youth Beyond Blue: [www.youthbeyondblue.com](http://www.youthbeyondblue.com)
- The **website, application or phone carrier** that you were using at the time



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