



Dates to Remember

8 August

Education Week

9 August

Yr 11 & 12 Parent Teacher Interviews

11 August

Big Night Out CAPA Concert

15 August

Trial HSC Exams begin

30 August

Rotary Dinner (further information on page 6)

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EFTPOS facilities are now available at the Accounts Office and the Canteen.



Miah Mitchell-Deak and Mr Keen at the NAIDOC celebrations hosted by the Community of Wingham Schools.

From the Principal's Desk

Welcome to our 1st newsletter edition for semester 2, 2016. It takes no time at all to see us all back into the swing of things and moving full steam ahead.

Our mantra that we are committed to is 'culture of learning' and everything we do and implement has this goal as its core. To ensure we are continually building on this we are evaluating all the small things we do that will have a major impact over the 4-6 years of schooling our young people will experience at Wingham High.

There is no one magic initiative that will be all encompassing in achieving our goal, but possibly the strongest influence can be a personal change in thought process. By this I mean the first thought reaction to a problem, challenge, situation whatever, needs to be "I can".

Our Year 12 students are about to embark on their Trial Higher School Certificate Examinations. It is always a time where there is heightened stress due to the importance of the situation. Our bodies are wired to react to these moments of importance and 'nervous energy' can be a significant advantage. How do we keep it all in check? "I can".

Now, it is not quite as simple as just saying "I can" it is the knowledge that "I can – control some of this" How – preparation. Stress comes from the worry of not knowing information or what is going to happen in the future. Preparation is ONE way of keeping the levels of 'stress' to a minimum. The confidence in knowing that you have prepared and have done what you can to perform your best, at a given time, allows less room for the negative thoughts.

This is a major reason why the Trial Examinations mimic the upcoming HSC Examinations. We want the practice so there are no surprises, or, fear of the unknown.

So to help support your child, stay calm, remind them that 'they can' and concentrate on the little steps how they CAN do things. Every minute put in to revise is another step in the right direction. I wish all students the best of luck and hope that they are rewarded for their efforts. Parent Teacher evening (Tuesday 9th August) is a golden opportunity to get specific information and to ask your burning questions that you may not have been able to extract from your children.

On another note, you will notice an opportunity to be immersed in the talents of our young adults at the upcoming 'BIG NIGHT OUT'. It is always a great event and I hope that you can come along and support the efforts of those involved. There is further information within the newsletter.

Hope to see you there.



Thursday 11th August 2016 @ 6pm



BIG NIGHT OUT

Entertainment Spectacular

Come and see our showcase event demonstrating the amazing talents of our students in the field of entertainment.

Thursday 11th August 2016 @ 6pm

**Multi-purpose Centre, Wingham High School
\$5 entry - sale at the door.**

Light refreshments can be purchased - money raised through the canteen will go to Soldier On.



Community of Wingham Schools NAIDOC Celebrations

This year's NAIDOC Celebrations was a collaboration of schools at the Town Green in Wingham. Wingham Bush Public School hosted the day at Town Green on Friday the 22nd of July, 2016. Students from Wingham High volunteered to help out. The day commenced with a welcome to country by Uncle Russel Taylor. The students rotated around a variety of activities throughout the day. Students were put into small groups and participated in each of the activities for about 20 minutes. The activities on the day included: Art making, a range of Aboriginal sport games, Traditional food tasting, ochre face painting, Aboriginal dances, listening and watching didgeridoo playing. There was also music by indigenous composers playing all day. The Year 10 anatomy class were in charge of the games during the day. Multiple schools came from around the area to be involved in the day from Wingham Brush Public School, Elands Public School, Mount George Public School, Bobin Public School and dancers from Wingham Public School.

The Year 10 anatomy class did a great job organising the games on the day. The children learnt new games and skills and had fun, whilst participating in the activities. The children loved being a part of the day and some enjoyed having ochre put around their eyes and on their cheeks. The children decorated the Wingham native bat on coloured cardboard and made it look like it was flying. The food tastings were delicious and the emu sausages were a hit. A big thank you to the didgeridoo player, Scott Bishop, for playing throughout the day.

Dimiti Taylor and Katelyn Robins

*Mr Hawkins, Miss Twaddle and year 12
Hospitality student Laura-May De Bouter
preparing food for the day.*



On the menu was:-
Kangaroo and Emu Sausages
Fish with Kakadu plum and sweet chilli
Bruschetta with Bush tomato tapenade
Sweet potato, wild herb & mountain pepper dip.

*Many Thanks to Townhead
Fruit and Veg and Bayview
Seafoods for donation of fruit
and fish for the day.*



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Jaime Hemmingway has recently returned from Launceston, Tasmania after competing in the National Under 18 Women's Hockey Championships, from 6th July to 18th July. Jaime was in the NSW Blues side which came 6th overall and she thoroughly enjoyed the experience of the Tournament.



Sienna Hawkins competed at the NSW state inter-schools equestrian championships on the 25th and 26th June at Sydney International Equestrian Centre at Horsley Park. She was representing Wingham High in dressage. She won state champion in the Prix St George Test and 3rd in the Intermediate 1 Test and reserve champion small tour.

WHS Volunteers Group

The girls volunteer group had a great time assisting the residents of Alma Place with their Christmas in July celebrations. There was musical entertainment followed by canapés and a Christmas lunch.

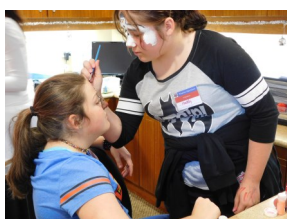
Lilly Border, Emma Scowen, Emily Loretan, Chelsea Eagles & Hannah Fulton with Gwen Cooks

Madeline Betts

Lilly Border, Emma Scowen, Emily Loretan, Chelsea Eagles & Hannah Fulton with Betty Smith



Emily Loretan and Lilly Border with Grant Pinchen



Jorja Bulley and Madyson Fowler



In The Classrooms at Wingham High

Engineers Without Borders

A chance invitation from a group of student engineers from the University of NSW and Sydney resulted in a highly successful science enrichment activity.

On the 29th of June the group of students provided a workshop free of charge to students in Yr9-12 who registered their interest in possible future careers in developing countries or locally based in the various fields of engineering.

Our students worked on two practical scenarios and gained knowledge on various areas of engineering studies which students can be involved. The University students provided a great resource base and inspiration for our students to further engage in their science and mathematics studies at school and into their future in University. Engineers Without Borders are engaged in relief and development projects worldwide and we hope to have future visits from this group while on tour in Australia.



Year 8 Visual Art



In Semester 1, Year 8 Visual Arts students engaged in a new program on Social Commentary presenting their ideas in the form of Street Art, using techniques such as stencilling. This unit focused on a variety of world issues for example, social injustice, politics, racism, teenage anxiety and bullying, particularly in social media.

Students soon realised that by comparison, Australian kids have more opportunities than those that are less fortunate. A part of this program of learning was a fun day in the sun creating shadow chalk Street Art.

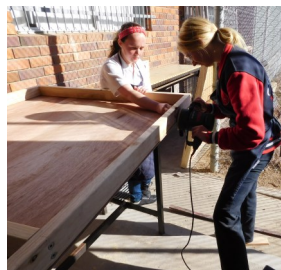
Mrs Bloomfield and Ms Meaney

Year 9 Agriculture



Our Yr9 Agriculture students had the opportunity to watch our bull Halo being anaesthetised by local vet John Dooley to treat an abscess on his foot.

Seniors in the Construction room





YOU..... ARE INVITED!!

ROTARY DINNER

Hosted by Wingham High School Hospitality students

When: Tuesday 30th August 2016

Where: Wingham High School Multi-Purpose Centre (MPC)

What Time: 6:00pm for 6:30pm

How Much: \$20 per head (paid at the door)

This is an annual event that allows our school to showcase our student's talents and share appreciation of the efforts and generosity of Rotary.

All proceeds of this night go towards running the Wingham High School bus.

Meals and table service is presented by the students of Wingham High School as will be the entertainment on the night.

A raffle will also be held on the night for those who wish to be involved.

Bookings are essential for catering purposes.

Please call Wingham High School on 6553 5488 to register your attendance.

Hope to see you there.

As this is a school function / premises there is no alcohol served on the night.



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FUTURE CHOICES EXPO TAREE 2016

The National Disability Insurance Scheme is rolling out locally!
Information for students Years 10 to 12 with disability,
additional needs, ongoing medical conditions

FREE to attend

For students, parents, carers and school staff

**Arrive at 10am for an important general overview followed
by an opportunity to browse the stalls**

Student Central – D Block
North Coast TAFE Taree Campus, Montgomery Crescent, Taree

Friday 12th August

10:00am – 12:30pm

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> National Disability Insurance Agency Service Providers Centrelink Traineeships & Apprenticeships Mental Health Services | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ability Links TAFE & other training providers Disability Employment Services Australian Disability Enterprises Aboriginal Services Advocacy Services |
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A 20 seat bus will leave Great Lakes Student Central at 9:15am and return by 1:20pm for students wishing to travel to the Expo

Please book through Rhonda Ebeling Rhonda.Ebeling@tafensw.edu.au or phone: 6591 3645

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Organised by: Taree Beyond School Group (BSG)
Department of Education
National Disability Coordination Officer (NDCO) Program



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:

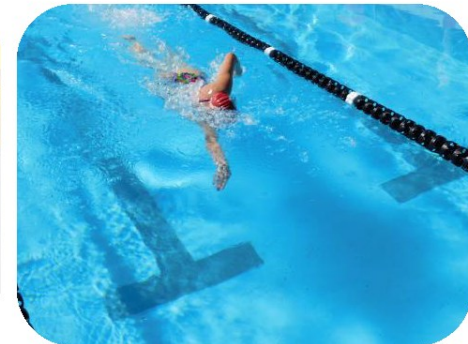
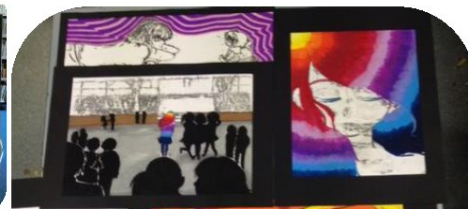
- Students come along for taster lessons
- Visit classrooms and orientate around the school
- Able to meet teachers and fellow students
- Experience the day in the life of a high school student
- BBQ Lunch provided

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



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8-12 August 2016*



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