

Dates to Remember

Term 3

Monday 12th July
Staff Development Day

Tuesday 13th July
Students Return to School

15-21 July
NAIDOC Week

19 July
Excellence Awards
Evening

Commencing
9 August
HSC Trial Examinations

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From the Principal's Desk

Welcome to the 3rd edition of our Term 2 Newsletter. The tail end of semester is always full of action with vast amounts of organisation for the upcoming semester, year and finalisation of units of work, including reporting. School reports are planned to be distributed to students on Thursday 24th June at the end of the school day. School reports should also be accessible via the Scentral Parent Portal. If you are unable to access the Parent Portal, please contact the school.

Our focus on attendance continues with increasing levels of communication where students are absent from school, especially for greater lengths of time. The school has set the target for all students achieving above 90%. We are having ongoing conversations with those students who are below the target and putting in supportive practices where applicable.

The school continues employment of teacher tutors utilising the funding injection to support our students with the impacts of COVID. Of significance is the opportunity for our senior students to access the Learning Hub of a Friday afternoon after their timetabled classes. There is a significant portion of time available with the earlier completion of classes of a Friday and we have staff situated in the Learning Hub to support study techniques, research assignments and most importantly, writing techniques for the HSC examinations. Please encourage your children to access this valuable resource.

Our Excellence Assembly had to be moved until next semester due to the MPC in the process of having the roof replaced. The Excellence Assembly is a great opportunity for the school to acknowledge the ongoing high performance of our students. It is definitely a feature of the school calendar that is relished by all. We hope to see as many parents in attendance as possible supporting their children's commitment to learning.

There has been plenty of communication and planning to implement our schools' mobile phone policy that takes place from the beginning of next term. Our school is looking to support technology associated with learning and the message has been to develop positive behaviours and respect of mobile use in appropriate settings. It is our belief that these positive habits will have great impact within the schools' learning environment and arguably more importantly, outside the school environment. I thank you for the support of the schools' direction with our mobile phone policy.

I once again thank you all for your ongoing support and hope that you enjoy the newsletter. I wish all an enjoyable, safe break.

Paul Ivers



*Take 3 from the Sea
Youth Summit Sydney*

Take 3 from the Sea Youth Summit 2021

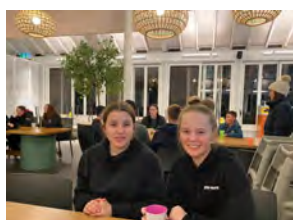
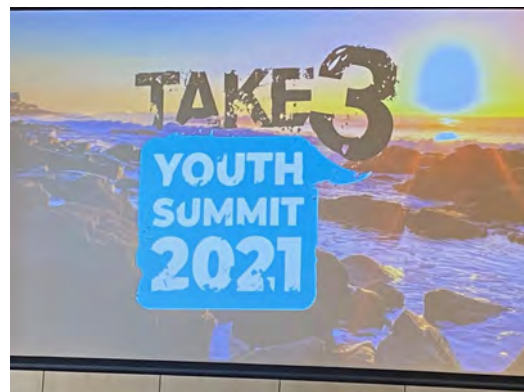
Take 3 for the Sea's inaugural Youth Summit at the Taronga Institute of Science & Learning at Taronga Zoo Sydney proved a big hit this week with 150 young leaders taking part.

Students from SRC and Wakul Gudida represented Wingham High at the Take 3 for the Sea Inaugural Youth Summit. Held on June 7 and 8 – to coincide with World Oceans Day – the young leaders, from 25 schools around New South Wales were joined by selected celebrity guests and leaders in the field of conservation to discuss the problems of plastic pollution and potential solutions during two action-packed days. Our Wingham High School representatives were Lester Andrews, Amber Loretan, Freya Raglus, Kyana Burgess-Fallaize, Dylan Taniwha Kennett, Bella Flewitt, Hannah Beard and Sharli Brown.

As well as the guest lectures, presentations, and panel discussions the young people in attendance also took part in group workshops to prepare Community Action Plans to engage their school communities in plastic pollution education. The event was hosted by Take 3 ambassador and surf ironwoman Lizzie Welborn, she said: "The Youth Summit has been incredible, and it is so good to see so many passionate young school kids come in and share their ideas".

At Wingham High School, our Action Plan included a range of incentives, including returning some of our pre-Covid waste disposal initiatives. One wonderful idea to come directly from the Summit was we decided to link in with the NAIDOC theme, 'Heal Country' into our proposal of reusing and repurposing waste. Keep your eyes and ears open for what is coming...

Wingham High School was very fortunate to receive sponsorship to attend this event and to participate in the Zoonsnooz- a camping sleepover in the grounds of the Zoo. We got to sleep in tents and walk around the Zoo at night and also go behind the scenes, the following morning. Unfortunately, due to COVID restrictions, we were not allowed to touch the animals, but they were carried by the rangers and shown to us very close up!



HSC Seminar Day

HSC Seminar Day was hosted by Wingham High School on Thursday 3rd June to help students prepare for their upcoming HSC exams.

92 students attended from Camden Haven, Chatham High School, Taree High School, Taree Christian College, Wingham High School and Hastings Secondary College. Senior teachers and Past HSC markers presented 45 minute seminars on strategies for exam preparation and techniques to best answers questions specific for each subject. Students chose from a range of subjects on offer for each session.

Venues were provided by Wingham Brush Public School, St Josephs Public School, Wingham RSL, Wingham Golf Club, Wingham Neighbourhood Centre and here at school. BBQ Lunch was provided at Central Park by Helen and Dave.

It was great to see so many students attending and preparing for their upcoming exams. A huge congratulations to Karlyn Hawkins for putting this all together.



Open Girls Hockey

With the restrictions of COVID last year not allowing us to take to the hockey field it was with great anticipation we could finally have a run this term. Over the last few years we have slowly started to see our experienced hockey players finish their HSC and move on, leaving our side somewhat depleted experience wise. This, however, did not deter the Wingham spirit with 14 girls drawing together to form this years Open Girls Hockey side.

On Wednesday 26th May we headed to the Taree Hockey Complex to take on Taree High. This game was always going to be a challenge, playing a side that has won the CHS State Hockey Knockout for the last four years is no mean feat. This didn't phase the Wingham girls who took to the field and gave it their utmost. Most of our team was made up of girls who had either only played as juniors or not at all, this being the first time they'd picked up a stick and only three that currently play on a weekend. While the play was mostly in our defending half for the entire game we did manage to get the ball into our attacking half with a strong run by Lara before the Taree goalie came out and kicked the ball back upfield. Every player gave it their all, learning on the run the rules of Hockey but special mention must go to Lindie who had a strong game in the backs, Breanna who threw herself about protecting the goals and Mackenzie who controlled play in the middle. Other standouts were Yam who had only picked up a stick and had a practice the weekend before the game and Charlotte who is a regular on the soccer field showing the same determination with a stick and ball.

As their coach I was very proud of the sportsmanship, positivity and sheer determination all the girls showed and while we have bowed out of the competition for this year hopefully each will want to have another run next year. Hold your heads high ladies you have done Wingham High proud.



Wingham Beef Week Results

The 2021 Beef Week Competition was again run as a carcass only competition due to COVID restrictions and organisation of the event. Competition entries from across NSW consisted of both public and private schools and commercial beef producers. Wingham High entered 8 steers into the competition.

The following results were gained by our steers were judged on carcass qualities based on the Meat Standards Australia (MSA) grading system for eating qualities.

The final results shown here are a great set of results overall. Our students prepared those steers for parading as well and worked with these animals in some cases since they were born on our school farm. Thank you must go out to Mr Charlie Cassels for his support with steers 420/422.

The great news out of these results was that steer 423 Reserve Grand Champion was bred on our school farm.

All of our students / staff wish to pass on our thanks to the Wingham Beef Week Committee for the organisation of this competition annually.



Steer 423 Class 1.4	Quinny	Reserve Grand Champion overall steer 1 st Place Heavy Middleweight Reserve Champion, Carcase Overall
Steer 420 Class 1.6	Quartapounda	1 st Place Heavyweight Steer
Steer 427 Class 1.2	Rat	1 st Place Light Middleweight Steer
Steer 425 Class 1.3	Rexx	5 th Place Light Middleweight
Steer 425 Class 1.2	Razz	5 th Place Light Middleweight
Steer 426 Class 1.1	Runt	4 th Place Light Middleweight
Steer 421 Class 1.7	Quad	10 th Place Heavyweight
Steer 422 Class 1.6	Quiser	18 th Place Heavyweight

Wingham High School Agricultural Team

Below is a list of all the students in the Wingham High Ag Team. They take great care and pride of our animals, which in turn, provides us with great results in show.

Lily Rainbow, James Hawksford, Keeley Moore, Katie Benson, Nic Allen, Shari Urquhart, Emily Prior, Ayla Turner, Tilani Brown, Sarah Dowling, Leah Dowling, Alicia Goodlad, Hayley Ruysch, Tarla-Jo Smith, Jaydon Brown, Jack Lyon, Abbey Lette, Paris Faugeras, Jaimee-Lee Woolfe, Ebonie Linton, Seanna Smith-Laws, Lily Corben, Lacey Kelly, Taylah D'Elboux, Morgan Saxby & Zoe Hatton

The ribbons below were won by our steers at Beef Week 2021 including the Reserve Grand Champion 'Quinny'.



Seasons for Growth

Young People's Program:

fostering resilience and wellbeing in children and young people.



Life is like the Seasons

Seasons for Growth is an evidence-based change, loss and grief education program that uses the imagery of the seasons to illustrate the experience of change, loss and grief.

Children and young people can experience grief following significant changes and losses:

- ♦ Someone they love dies
- ♦ Separation and divorce
- ♦ Friendship changes
- ♦ Illness impacts their life
- ♦ Relocation
- ♦ Natural disasters

Seasons for Growth aims to strengthen the social and emotional wellbeing of young people by:

- ♦ Exploring the impact of change and loss on every-day life
- ♦ Learning new ways to respond to these changes.

Program Structure

The *Seasons for Growth* Children and Young People's Program is a small group program which runs for 45 minutes over eight weeks.

Level 4: 13-18 years

Each session explores a theme using the seasonal imagery:

- ♦ Life is like the Seasons
- ♦ Change is Part of Life
- ♦ Valuing My Story
- ♦ Caring for my Feelings
- ♦ Making Good Choices

The program provides a safe space for young people where they can give voice to their experiences, understand their feelings, learn problem-solving and decision making skills, develop friendships, and recognise they are not alone.

A *Seasons for Growth* journal is provided to each participant to document their learning journey.

"I would say that it was an amazing experience and that I got a lot out of it. I would definitely recommend it."

YOUNG PERSON

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Next Group starting in Term 3

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EXCITING OPPORTUNITY! CANTEEN ASSISTANT WANTED **Paid Position**

A paid position one day per week is available in our canteen. The job entails general canteen duties including food preparation, cleaning and some administration. The successful applicant will be needed every Friday during school terms and will also be trained to fill in for our Manager Judy occasionally if she is away.

Our canteen is a very happy, friendly atmosphere to work in.

Please contact for more information by messaging me or email us at winghamhighschool@pandcaffiliate.org.au

Hospitality Work Placement

Sam was given the job of making the muffins today amongst other duties for the canteen while on Hospitality Work Placement with our Canteen Manager Judy. When asked what they were like Sam said “they’re edible”. That’s always a bonus, Sam.



CREATIVE CREATURE

My name: Caity Watkins

My school year: 10

My age: 15

MY FUTURE CAREER: Something to do with animals like maybe a sheep farmer

MY MATERIAL PRACTICE: Drawing with pencils

MY FAVOURITE ARTIST: I like graffiti art especially Banksy's (see his Covid inspired work below)

Her class mates say: She's loud, outgoing and cool.

Her teacher says: She talks a lot and is really funny

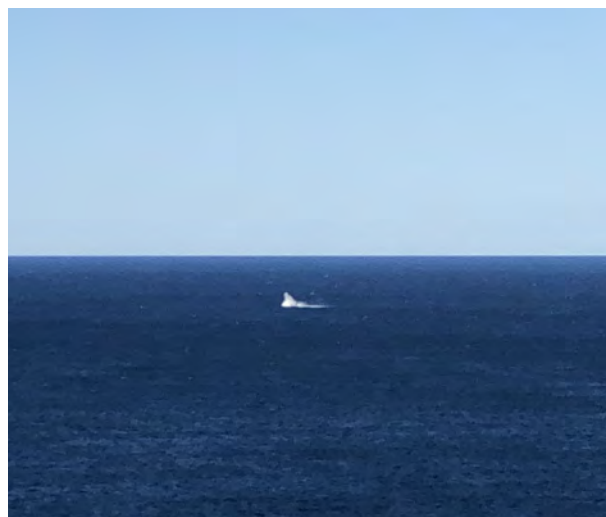


MY ART FUTURE:
Well I want to farm wool, and I'm sure it would make a great material for artworks....like yarn bombing!

Yr 11 Biology Field Trip—Harrington

Yr 11 Biology went on their Field Studies trip to Harrington on Thursday 17th June.

They used quadrats and transects to assess the abundance and distribution of species found in their chosen area. Afterwards we took them whale watching at crowdy head.



Canteen Roster Term 3

July 2021						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13 Jennifer	14 Bev	15 Ray Marina	16 Elissa Tim	17
18	19 Leane	20 Jennifer Lisa	21 Julie	22 Ray Bev	23 Elissa Tim	24
25	26 Leane	27 Jennifer	28 Marina	29 Ray Bev	30 Elissa Tim	31

CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

All you need is a free Volunteers Working with Children's Check and one simple form for you to enjoy a free morning tea and lunch and a good laugh with our fabulous canteen team. However, most importantly you are helping our students receive nutritious, NSW Government approved meals. You won't have to serve or handle money.

So come in and lend a hand as much or as little time as you like - and you don't have to have a child at this school to help!

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