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Dates to Remember

Thursday, 9 June HSC Seminar Day

Wednesday, 15 June Year 11 Biology Depth Study

16-17 June PI Quad Training Course

27 June-1 July NAIDOC

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Tarla-Jo Smith & Lucinda Kern presented with their White Cards

From the Principal's Desk

It has been fantastic to see some of the clouds parting and new light shining through. This has happened literally and metaphorically over the past 3 weeks. It was tremendous to see Wingham Beef Week occupying the calendar once again. It is my understanding that the numbers were almost double in terms of students that were camping and involved in the event. I think it would be fair to say that schools have been missing the opportunity to connect and provide those practical learning lessons. Once again it was a great event and allowed the working committee to showcase their new showground structures. Some extremely positive feedback has been received by our students and staff alike. A huge congratulations and thanks to all those involved.

Students have been presented with a host of opportunities to support life in the classroom and success at school in general. We continue our GRIT program in coordination with PCYC where we look to re-engage, develop resilience skills, and evaluate a growth mindset. We had our Police Youth Liaison Officer come to speak about the importance of our role in keeping all feel safe, respected, valued and positive in person and via social media. A group of students were able to attain their White Card which will help them in their future ventures involving worksites. Another group of students were able to swim with rays and sharks! Whilst others were testing out their fears with heights at Delhuntie at Bulahdelah!!

Our senior students have been involved with presentations from local and further universities and been asked to think more about where they wish to be – life after school. Our Year 10 students have been involved in presentations providing them with the necessary information to select subjects for their transition into Stage 6 – HSC. It was tremendous to see parents' faces once again for our information evening. Lots of good questions and plenty for the families to think about and discuss. There will be ongoing interviews with those students and any parents that elect to be present to support student subject selections.

As stated, plenty going on in the last 3 weeks. Enjoy the read and thank you for your ongoing support.

Paul Ivers



Beef Week 2022

Beef Week returned May 16^{th-}20th after a two-year absence due to COVID restrictions. Our students took part in the largest Beef Week event yet staged with over 500 participants on-site at the showground daily. Our Primary School Day on Monday 16th saw 120 students here at Wingham High on Monday. Our students presented various workshops to the primary students. Thank you goes out to Haylee Cole for organising this part of the week. Thirty-five schools from across the state both private and public participated in parading, judging, and entered steers in the hoof/hook competition.

Students such as Lindie Kliendeinst and Sharnee Anderson received ribbons in judging. Emma Davies and Zac Moore were nominated for the herdsperson competition. Keely Moore won 4th place parading with her heifer. Five of the school's steers were in the hoof/hook competition and although not winners, overall placed respectively in their classes. A lot of planning and background work needs to be completed in the lead up to this event and during the competition. A big thank you from our show team students goes out to our office staff and Mr and Mrs Gilbert for their efforts and help to make the event operate smoothly. A special thank you goes out to Katie Benson who coordinated the show team and cattle entries with Mr Hawkins.





Disaster Response Think Tank

On the 16th May, three SRC students attended a disaster response and resilience workshop at Club Taree organised by Mission Australia.

Over thirty students from 7 local schools collaborated with representatives from a variety of community help services e.g. SES, Rural Fire Brigade, Red Cross etc. The focus was young people being affected by recent

drought, bush fire and flood events. Students had the opportunity to voice their concerns about what could be made better in future responses.

Three areas were identified and discussed:

- An emergency app for kids.
- Idea of using drones to assist people with deliveries e.g. medication in emergencies.
- A plan for pet evacuation procedures.



Photo courtesy of Manning River Times

We would like to thank Mission Australia and the fabulous presenters, assistants, community groups, emergency personnel for allowing us the opportunity to attend and share our ideas at this workshop.

Yr 8 SRC Annabelle, Emma and Eliza

Dobell Drawing School National Art School

During the second week of the school holidays Finn and I went to the National Art School in Darlinghurst to participate in the Dobell Drawing workshops.

We stayed at a hotel close-by with other students from around NSW. At the art school we studied portraiture where we were taught a range of techniques including how to align the features and shape of the face. The workshops finished with an exhibition of our finished artworks were our families and teachers were invited to attend. We made many friends there that we stay in contact with and are very grateful to have a great opportunity to learn from the tutors and meet like-minded people.



Amy Gee and Finn Murphy











Kaylea Cachia's Photography Passion

Kaylea is a Year 10 student who has shown a passion for photography. She is creating a portfolio of different types of photography she has done and has been experimenting with the school camera to gain more skills. Kaylea attended Beef Week recently and took some lovely photos, learning about taking artistic photographs whilst using basic photography principals.







ITrack 2022

ITrack has been able to commence after a long Covid break.

This program is run by The Smith Family and is a 16 week mentoring program where students are matched up with online mentors from anywhere in Australia and discuss anything relating to career and post school. It is purely messaging (no zoom or face to face) and the mentors have had rigorous training beforehand in child safety. We have 6 Year 11 students involved this year and they are learning about their mentors at the moment.

We were lucky enough to have pizza delivered last week as a welcome gesture which was really appreciated.







Construction White Card Course

Wingham High School run a General Construction Induction course, otherwise known as a White Card, a couple of times a year.

This is a compulsory ticket to be able to enter any construction site in NSW. This also allows our students to undertake work experience or apply for jobs within the construction industry. There have also been more female students completing the course which is great to see.







Zone Athletics















Year 9 Delhuntie Excursion









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5	6 Garry Fred	7 Jennifer	8 Judy Julie	9 Bev Valda	10 Jenny	11
12	13 Garry Fred	14 Jennifer	15 Judy Marina	16 Bev	17 jenny	18
19	20 Garry Fred	21 Jennifer	22 Judy	23 Bev	24 Jenny	25
26	27 Garry Lorraine	28 Jennifer	29 Judy	30 Bev Fred		

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