

NEWSLETTER Term 4 + Issue 2 + 2018

Wingham High School

Learning in an environment of Respect, Trust, Fairness & Positivity

Dates to Remember

28th November

Year 9 Marine Studies **Excursion to Laurieton** Cyber safety Awareness Day Excursion to CHS

4th December

Year 6 Orientation Day Year 9/10 Equine Studies Excursion to Newcastle Equine Centre

5-6th December

Year 10 Authentic Assessment

10-14th December

VET Brick & Block Unit

11th December

Awards Presentation Night Exam Reader Rewards Excursion

12th December

Year 9 Rewards Excursion Stoney Aqua Park

13th December

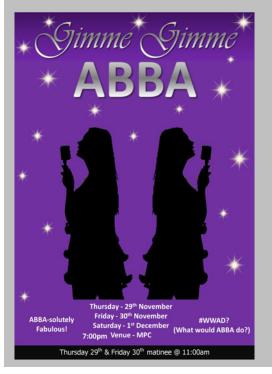
Annual Sports Award Assembly

14th December

Wollongong University Payment & permission notes due

17-18th December

Year 7 Compulsory Aquatics





Visual Art students at the Sculptures by the Sea exhibition excursion. Lea Urguhart, Anh Maggs, Amelia Hansen, Glenn Allard, Miranda Frendin, Amber Loretan, Mia Polley.

From the Principal's Desk

Welcome to another colourful newsletter that has a great number of success stories once again. As a school, we are well and truly in the finalisation of 2018 and planning for 2019. We appear to have a steady number of year 7 students (around 120) starting their high school education next year. It should be a great day with their orientation day set down for Tuesday 4th December.

I would also like to take this opportunity to congratulate our new(ish) Deputy Principal, Mrs Mary Doust for her permanent selection as Deputy at Wingham High. Mary has done a wonderful job as relieving DP and thoroughly deserves her selection.

A big congratulations too must go to Miss Ashley Thomas and Mrs Stacey Harrell for the time, effort and planning in presenting our 2018 school performance. I thought it was ABBA-solutely fantastic. We definitely have some very talented students amongst us. It was very pleasing to see a few new faces starting to come through the ranks also and have a go at testing out their acting talents. It was a great show and one to look out for some pics in the next edition.

Enjoy the read.

Daul Ivers



White Ribbon Day

Friday 23th November was White Ribbon Day – a day to raise awareness and promote positive behavioural change in society and to stand up, speak out and act to prevent male violence against women.

The statistics in Australia are horrifying when we look at the prevalence of domestic violence, sexual harassment and sexual assault. These statistics culminate where disrespectful behaviours and attitudes towards women and girls are allowed to grow unchallenged.

So, on Monday 26th Wingham High School held an extra-ordinary assembly to stand up, speak out and act.

Mr Ivers addressed the assembly and spoke of safety as a right, not a privilege, about showing respect in the classroom, in the playground, at work, in public, in our families and at sport.

He echoed the call from White Ribbon Ambassador Andrew O'Keefe for men and boys to start calling out the disrespectful behaviours that we see amongst our friends or people that we know and to say that it's "not okay" to be disrespectful towards women and girls.

At the conclusion of the assembly, the male staff and students were invited to stand up to take the White Ribbon Day Oath and as a united voice promised to stand up, speak out, and act, to prevent violence against women.











SRC News

The environment group in SRC have been working with JR Richards to get new rubbish and recycling bins for the school. Overall, there will be 20 new bins (10 rubbish and 10 recycling) that should arrive at the end of this term/early next year.



The group conducted two bin audits to decide if return and earn was a good option. The evidence from the bin audits showed that nearly 90% of the recycling in the school was return-and-earn-able and 20% of the overall waste was recycling.

These results look very promising for return and earn so the recycling bins will be used by Year 12 for their return and earn program which will go towards their charity supporting Multiple Sclerosis.



Harley, Rawai, Layne and Stephen

SRC with the new school leaders



Up and Coming Artists

Les Miserables recently performed at the Manning Entertainment Centre and allowed some of our students to develop their performance skills. Ex-student Caitlyn Cameron played a lead role, while Year 11 students Jack Kelly and Coby Borg made their debut portraying a variety of roles throughout the show as extras. Jack Kelly was given the Youth Encouragement Award at the conclusion of the show and received a monetary prize to support his creative progress.

Georgia Hudson will be performing as a solo artist on Saturday at Spec Fest an outdoor festival at Schools Spectacular in Sydney. This is an excellent achievement for Georgia who successfully auditioned for the role.





Jack and Georgia have both recently auditioned as solo artists for Star Struck, the Hunter region's version of School's Spectacular. They have both successfully passed their first audition and have been recalled for the second in a few weeks.

We wish them all the best on this journey and will keep you posted on their progress.

GRIP Student Leadership Conference

On Tuesday 6th November, Stephen Smith, Rawai Poini, Layne Watson, Harley Pike and Billy Callaghan represented Wingham High and the SRC at the GRIP Student Leadership conference in Newcastle.

They spent the day liaising with leaders from other schools in the Hunter region and learning skills about leadership and what makes a good leader.

The students were so inspired by the day that they spent the car trip home planning initiatives and events for our school. It was a privilege to spend the day with these amazing students.





Scone Beef Bonanza Results

Scone Beef Bonanza was held on 25th-28th of October 2018 and in the last newsletter, parading results were reviewed. Scone Beef Bonanza is the largest steer/heifer show in NSW and involves public and private schools as well as commercial studs. The competitions involve paraders (presenting the student and their animal handling skills), led classes (the particular animal is judged among its similar weight class animals) and finally a carcase competition (animals sent to the abattoir and the meat cuts/judged against MLA/MSA national standards.

Carcase judging occurs after the students have left and were released a week after our return. Five animals were entered in the carcase competition with over 400 steers as competition in various classes. Preparation for such competitions begins in some cases 11/2 years from the competition date. The keen eye of Mr Cassels, Mr Bob Settle, Mr Hawkins and student Sophie French selected animals for the competition. Weekly weigh-ins, grain feeding and show team student preparation of animals over 12 months plus in some cases from calving to competition is required. In terms of a competition our results are outstanding in 2018 to prepare steers and have parading results as we did and then back up with all five steers registering a place amongst the field of competitors make it well worth the effort of teachers and students.

Class 1 - Light Weight Cattle

'Nugget' – exhibited by Jennifer James / Taylah D'Elboux Champion Overall Light Carcase on 90.73 points/100

Class 6 - Light Middleweight Cattle

'Piglet' – exhibited by Sophie French / Mr Mal Marks breeder

4th Place – Carcase on 82.32 points/100

Class 9 – Heavy Middleweight Cattle

'Nikita' – exhibited by Meggan Watkins 1st Place Carcase on 88.73 points/100

Class 11 - Heavy Middle Cattle

'Nigel' - Exhibited by Mitchell Bisley 2nd Place Carcase on 89.11 points/100

Class 22 - Heavy Weight Cattle

'Ned' – exhibited by Corey South / Harry Kern 1st Place Carcase on 86.07 points/100

The show team looks forward now to the next cycle of preparing steers/heifers for our own Wingham Beef Week in May 2019. The animals for this show now need to be weaned on our own farm, or sourced externally if any community members wish to be involved with our show team.

Attendance at such shows could not occur without our own school bus and support from our show team students, farmworkers, staff and Mr Ivers. Thank you to Emily Brood and Sophie French for organising our team and camping etc. Involvement in the show team builds student confidence with animals, working in groups and individually and builds empathy and resilience.

Any student who wishes to be involved in the show team in 2019 need to see Mr Hawkins for details as the weaning of cattle has started for the 2019 season.

Sculptures by the sea

On the 1st of November we went down to Sydney for Sculptures by the Sea. For over two decades sculptures by the sea has been transforming the Bondi to Tamarama coastal walk into an open aired and free gallery for all members of the public. We left school at 6:00am and made it to Tamarama beach around 10:00am.

We were split up into two groups to do a workshop. The first group made sculptures out of wire and clay. The second group took selfies then made a 3D self-portrait out of clay. Once we had finished we talked with an artist about their art works and how they made them. One of the groups had the pleasure of talking to Itamar Freed who is an artist from Israel, his art work Whispering to Venus is a self-portrait made from a 3D printer.

After the work shop was finished, we went and explored the exhibition. Along the walk there was many different types of sculptures, there was a giant whisk, house hold equipment with the land scape painted on them and a giant budda (fat baby?).















Outstanding Achievers Workshop

Year 7 Outstanding Achievers Workshop

Problem solving and team work were the focus of the Year 7 Outstanding Achiever's Workshop this semester. Students participating earned the opportunity to attend through their conscientious efforts and excellent academic results in Semester 1.

Year 8 Outstanding Achievers Workshop

The Year 8 workshop focused on the different ways they communicate, how to be more effective and consider their purpose. They completed a team challenge and demonstrated high level skills in collaboration.

All students are to be congratulated on their achievement, motivation, and how they conduct themselves at our school.



Year 7 Martin O'Connell Jaimee-Lee Woolfe Reid Watson Delaney Todd Ellodi Taylor-Wilson Tenisha Styles LiliaTaylor Freya Raglus Logyn Buddle-Leaver Jesse Busuttil Jasmine Kennewell

Year 8

Dean Stacey
Lea Urquhart
Isobel Butler-Kwa
Amber Loretan
Shari Urquhart
Stephanie Davis-Stone
Anh Maggs
Oliver Irvine
Glenn Allard







Stephen Smith Wins Local Rotary Public Speaking

Wingham High School captain, Stephen Smith recently won the Year 11 Rotary Public Speaking contest, held this year at Club Forster. Representing Wingham High and Wingham Rotary he defeated speakers from Taree and Great Lakes schools.

Stephen, as the cluster winner, will progress to the next stage of the competition at Walcha on February 23, 2019, where he will compete against seven other cluster winners from all over northern NSW. The top four speakers from that semi-final progress to the final, with the winner receiving a trip to New Zealand sponsored by Rotary International.

Stephen delivered a powerful speech. It was about the Invictus Games and the amazing stories that come from them. He focused on the ways wounded and disabled soldiers can be proud of who they are and what they have done, and how the games provide many forms of rehabilitation and create new lives for veterans.

His topic was one close to his heart, as Stephen wants to pursue a career in the armed forces, like other members of his family.

Many members of Wingham Rotary were unable to attend on contest night, so Stephen happily delivered the speech for them at their most recent meeting. Stephen also wrote and delivered the speech for Remembrance Day at the Wingham Town Hall.

Coach, Mr Dunbier, said that Stephen has a commanding presence and his advanced public speaking skills make him a definite chance to become the overall winner of the contest. He said that Wingham High has a very proud tradition of success in this contest and Stephen is "up there with the best" we have had over the 20 plus years he has been involved with the contest.

Remembrance Day













SCHOOL BASED TRAINEESHIPS X 2 ELECTRICIAN & FITTER

Wingham Beef Exports are looking for two enthusiastic students wishing to kick start their career whilst completing their HSC. Each week you will complete one day on-the-job work experience and one day at TAFE. You will also work full-time hours during school holidays, as required.

Your role will see you assisting and working with tradesman to learn all aspects of your trade.

Who we are looking for

- Be a school student enrolling in Year 11 in 2019 and committed to completing your HSC;
- · Reliable transport to get to work and TAFE;
- · Strong comprehension of English and Mathematics;
- Be hardworking with a positive attitude;
- · Good work ethics

Written applications to:

Human Resource Manager PO Box 13 Wingham NSW 2429 or

Email: lyarnold@winghambeef.com.au

PRE-EMPLOYMENT MEDICALS & DRUG SCREENING TEST ARE CONDUCTED

Authentic Assessment

Wednesday 5th & Thursday 6th December 2018

Please note:

Students **DO NOT** attend for these two days apart from their interview times.

Canteen Roster

If you would like to volunteer or for more information phone Judy or Tara on 6553 5488.

November/ December	7	JENNIFER H RAE-LEE DIAMOND	JENNIFER H	JUDY ABDOO JULIE PAGE	RAY LITTLE	ANGELA C
		26	27	28	29	30
December	8	MARINA KMET LOUISE SMITH	JENNIFER H	JUDY ABDOO	LAUREN R RAY LITTLE	JENNIFER H
		3	4	5	6	7
December	9	JENNIFER H LORRAINE Mc	JENNIFER H	JUDY ABDOO	RAY LITTLE PAT SKINNER	SIMON MORSE ANGELA C
		10	11	12	<u>د</u> 13	14
December	10	JENNIFER H SANDRA K	JENNIFER H	End of Term for Students IUDY ABDOO	Staff Development	Staff Development
		17	18	JULIE PAGE 19	Day 20	Day 21