



## Wodonga Senior Secondary College

### Training Restaurant

(Enter from Brockley Street Entrance)



Open

Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> April  
 Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> May  
 Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> June  
 Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> July  
 Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> August

From 6.00pm – 9.00pm

A la Carte - Mains from \$15  
 \$15 deposit pp to secure booking

MAXIMUM PER TABLE 6  
 BYO

Non-alcoholic drinks, tea and espresso coffee are available at small cost

TO SECURE A RESERVATION  
 PLEASE MAKE PRE-PAID  
 BOOKING AT THE OFFICE  
 ON 60 437 500

## RED Carpet AWARDS LAUNCH 2014

The Red Carpet Awards were launched on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> April at The Cube Wodonga. Wodonga Senior Secondary College student Brandon Bulowski and Megan Hilderbrand are on the committee and ensured the launch was a successful and exciting event. Kristen Nichol provided entertainment and Natasa Sojic spoke as a previous category winner. Well done to all students involved.

Please see the below information and links to learn more about the Red Carpet Awards and the nomination process:

<http://www.wodonga.vic.gov.au/community-services/young-people/rca-2014.asp>

The RED Carpet youth awards, an initiative of Wodonga Council, are entering their sixth year in 2014. The awards aim to recognise and acknowledge the contributions of young people and the difference they make in the community.

This is an exciting opportunity for young people to be publicly acknowledged and applauded for the many positive contributions they make to our vibrant city.

They are community-based awards, with 10 categories including:

- Individual Community Service Award (sponsored by the Wodonga Chamber of Commerce)
- Group Community Service Award (sponsored by the Rotary Club Wodonga Central)
- Sport and Recreation Volunteer Award (sponsored by YMCA Wodonga)
- Young Carer Award (sponsored by Murray Valley Radiation Oncology)
- Apprenticeship/Traineeship Award (sponsored by ATEL Employment Services)
- Endurance/Persistence Award (sponsored by Aware Industries)
- Animalia Eco Warrior Award (sponsored by Cleanaway)
- Performing Arts Award (sponsored by Megas Music)
- Visual Arts and Media Award (sponsored by MZ Design)
- Youth Ambassador Award (sponsored by the RACV)



Sarah Kilner  
 Student Engagement Coordinator

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

### Welcome Back!

We hope everyone has had a relaxing break and is ready for what will be a hectic Term 2. A great deal needs to be achieved during this 10 week term including exams, end of Semester reports and move into our new Regeneration Building.

### Staffing for Term 2

Due to staff taking leave please welcome the following staff who are joining us at the beginning of the Term:

Alison Craft, Kelly-Anne Daly, Alison Delphin, Brian Hewitt, Rochelle Masaoka, Lorraine Mitchell and Kate O'Neill.

### ANZAC Assembly

Congratulations to all students and staff associated with the ANZAC ceremony held last Thursday. Instigated by the students and supported by staff, especially Jenni Jarratt our Defence Mentor, this was a highly successful event appreciated by all. We can be justifiably proud of not only the students involved in the ceremony but all of all students who maintained the solemnity of the occasion. Well Done!

### China Visit

It was a privilege for me to meet up with our students as they travel through China in Weihai in the second last week of Term. Steve, Cindy, Lyn our Tour Guides were doing a fantastic job in encouraging our students to try different foods and experience a different culture. The two night Homestay opened their eyes to what is different and what is global in Terms of culture.

Andrew Box and I were there to talk to parents of our current students and to interview potential students.



Vern Hilditch  
 Principal

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 April 2014

## CALENDAR

Tues 20<sup>th</sup> May  
 Pepper Restaurant

Sun 8<sup>th</sup> to Mon 9<sup>th</sup> May  
 OES Unit 1 Two Day Bush-walk

Tues 13<sup>th</sup> to Thurs 15<sup>th</sup> May  
 OES Water & Rock Trip

Mon 19<sup>th</sup> to Thurs 22<sup>nd</sup> May  
 OES Unit 1 Four Day Bush-walk

Wed 6<sup>th</sup> Aug  
 Interschool Shooting Competition

Mon 9<sup>th</sup> June  
 Queen's Birthday Public Holiday

## YEAR LEVEL COORDINATORS

Year 10 Coordinators  
 Tim Lamb  
 Michelle Heintze  
 Tim Bridgeman

Year 11 Coordinators  
 Chris North  
 Simon Webb

Year 12 Coordinators  
 Matt Moylan  
 Paul McMullen

## TERM DATES

Term 2  
 22<sup>nd</sup> April - 27<sup>th</sup> June

Term 3  
 14<sup>th</sup> July - 19<sup>th</sup> September

Term 4  
 6<sup>th</sup> October - 19<sup>th</sup> December



## CHINA TOUR 2014

On Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> March, thirteen students accompanied by Lyn Zhang, Mr Steve Garro and Cindy Garro, packed their bags and arrived at Melbourne Tullamarine Airport at 9.00am to catch China Airlines flight CA 178 for the next 10 hours to Shanghai. We then had a one hour stop-over and caught our transfer to Beijing arriving at 12.00pm China time. It was straight on the bus and we arrived at our 5 star hotel at one in the morning ready for a sleep and to get our activities started the next day! That morning was an early start, everyone was excited for our activities and for our first Chinese meal at the Hotel buffet! After seeing the beautiful Summer Palace, riding a Hutong rickshaw and seeing the awesome lights of the Chang-an Street view by bus, we went out to dinner and straight back to the hotel for a good sleep! Day 2 we visited the iconic Tian'anmen Square and learnt about all the history behind it, also we went to the Forbidden City and the temple of Heaven. Day 3 was one we were all looking forward to, we were going to walk on The Great Wall of China! It took us all about 2 hours to walk up the steep, uneven, rocky steps to the top of Beacon tower Number 3. Day 4 we were flying out from Beijing to Xi'an, this made for an early morning with our flight leaving at 7.00am. Arriving at Xi'an we settled into our hotel and drove to the City Wall and took a bike ride around the city! Everybody had a go, but Mr Garro, Cindy, Tristan and Jordan had to turn around half way because Michel Obama was also taking a walk around the wall and it was blocked off. They arrived back about 2 minutes before their bike hire would have ran out which would have cost them an extra 20 RMB...about 4 Aussie dollars! After that we went to have a look around the Muslim Quarters, had dinner at a great restaurant and went back to the hotel for the night. On Day 5 the first activity was the amazing Terracotta Army Museum, this was defiantly one of the big highlights of the trip. We also went to see the Small Wild Goose Pagoda and the Xi'an Museum which was very interesting. Day 6 the group was treated to a Peaking Duck Banquet and we also visited Qinling Happy Valley. Day 7 was spent shopping and also flying to Yentai in the afternoon. Day 8 was the highlight of our Hospitality trip. The group arrived at the Weihai Technology School for a fun morning of cooking western food with the Chinese students and trying our best to get around the huge language barrier! That afternoon we traveled to our sister school and also met our homestay families from the Easy English School. For the next two nights we stayed in the families homes and experienced what it is like to be a part of a normal Chinese family. Day 9 was spent travelling from Yentai to Shanghai and settling into our hotel. By this point everyone was very tired and missing Australia (especially the toilets) but we were excited to experience Shanghai the next day! Day 10 the group visited Chenghuang Temple, the Shanghai French Concession, the Shanghai Xin Tian Di and also the Shanghai World Financial Centre. At the very top of this building there is the world highest observation deck which showed a beautiful view of Shanghai from above. The total height at the observation deck was 474 meters above the ground. Rachel, a member of the group has a fear of heights and managed to come up the elevator with us which was a great accomplishment! Day 11 was our last official day of sightseeing before leaving to come back home the next day. The group saw the Bund, the Jin Mao Tower and the Oriental Pearl Tower. For the last nights activities we went out to a special restaurant for dinner and had some really great food. Jordan was that night's entertainment, laughing with your mouth full of soft drink probably isn't the best idea when it causes you to spit it out all over the table and waiters come to your aid whilst laughing to wipe you off! That night we jumped on a boat and slowly made our way down the Nanjing River to see the amazing night view of the skyscrapers and buildings that were lit up. Our last day consisted of shopping all morning until we were all well and truly broke by the time we got to Shanghai airport to board China Airlines flight CA177 back to Australia. By 9.00am we had landed and after going through security and customs that one last time we walked through international arrivals and were greeted by our families after our 2 weeks away. China was an amazing opportunity and as a group we would like to thank Mr Garro, Cindy and the amazing Lyn for organising the trip!

Report written by  
Danni Good

