

# SENIOR NEWS

# Wodonga Senior Secondary College Training Restaurant

(Enter from Brockley Street Entrance)



Open
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

#### PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

#### Parent/Teacher/Student Interviews – Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> June

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> June the second last day of Term 2 is Parent/Teacher/Student Interviews. Graduate Program teachers will be available; however, if you would like to speak with your child's subject teachers, you are welcome to do so.

The parent teacher evening will function the same as previously with parents being asked to come along in alphabetic groups as shown below. However if the times shown are not convenient feel free to come at a time that suits you but please be patient whilst the teachers fit you in. Or alternatively contact the Graduate Program Teacher of your child and organise interviews on a different day. To minimise waiting times we ask that you attend as follows:

 $\begin{array}{lll} Surnames & A-E & 4.00pm-4.45pm \\ Surnames & F-K & 4.45pm-5.30pm \\ Surnames & L-P & 5.30pm-6.15pm \\ Surnames & Q-Z & 6.15pm-7.30pm \\ \end{array}$ 

If this arrangement is not convenient, you are of course welcome at any time during the evening.

#### Regeneration Building and Moving Update

Following inspections both this week and next both a certificate of Practical Completion and a Certificate of Occupancy should be issued by Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June. No timetabled classes will be conducted in the new building this term. The time line for moving in and providing induction, will now be as follows.

**Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> June** Period 2 Year 12 students will hold their Graduate Program assembly in the Lecture Theatre and be inducted into how the building operates and then go on a tour of the facilities.

**Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> June** Year 10 & 11 English classes will go to the Lecture Theatre for induction and tour (repeated 6 times to cover each block).

Staff will continue to teach and operate out of existing classrooms all through the last week of term. Some furniture and equipment will be moved towards the end of the week. The Administration and other offices will be moved on Monday  $30^{th}$  June – first day of the school holidays. The library will also be moved during the holidays so that it is empty and can be used for the Trade Careers Day on the Tuesday  $22^{nd}$  July.

On the last day of Term students will be asked to remove all red and blue chairs and high tables from classrooms and carry them to the foyer of the Trade Training Centre where they will be checked and some table tops will be replaced prior to them being sorted and placed into classrooms in the new building. It is anticipated that all staff and all classes will be relocated into the new building at the commencement of Term 3. For safety and student supervision reasons there will be no access into the old building from Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> July. However we need the building to be left in a clean and habitable state as we will open it up for the "Back to" Celebrations on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> August. We also anticipate that workman will continue to be on site during the holidays and the first few weeks of term as they finalise the building works.

There will be a number of issues covered during the induction for both staff and students and will include: gaining access to the building and rooms, how to walk up and down stairs, which stairs do you use, library access, toilet location, the use of the lift, photocopiers and printing, reporting any OH&S issues and emergency evacuation procedures, video surveillance, what the learning commons will be used for, where teachers will be located, location of Wellbeing, Careers, Coordinators, Assistant Principals offices. This is an exciting tim in the development of the Senior College.

Vern Hilditch Principal

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## Wednesday 11<sup>st</sup> June 2014

#### CALENDAR

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> June GAT Exam 10.00am - 1.15pm

Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> & Friday 13<sup>th</sup> June Classes as normal. Finalise

Assessments and hand back marked Assessment Tasks and exams to complete Semester 1.

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> June Semester 2 Commences. All students must attend.

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> June
Semester 1 Reports Distributed
and Parent Student Teacher

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> June

Students dismissed for Term 2 holidays at 2.30pm

Monday 14th July

Teachers Return to school

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> July

Students Return to commend Term 3

Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July Trade Careers Day

Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July

Transition Parent Information Evening for Year 9 students

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> August Subject Expo

# **Absent Notes**

Just a little reminder to parents when submitting absent notes to the College, could the following details please be included,:

●First and Last Name of absent child

●Date of Absence

Parent's Names and Signature

If these following details are no included the absence may not be recorded.

#### **CAVING EXCURSION**

Thunderstorms and rain did nothing to deter thirteen excited Year 10's from packing the trailer on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> May in the afternoon and setting off for Wee Jasper where they would enjoy a big week of underground fun. After a delicious dinner of tacos made at the Shearer's Quarters on arrival, we all donned a pair of overalls, a helmet and a head-torch and entered Signature cave for the evening's activities.

After a reasonable sleep-in the next day (thanks Smithy!) the group kitted up again, this time complete with harnesses, as we would be abseiling into Main Chamber to climb through the 'rat hole' and down into 'Pirate's' a very physically challenging but also very rewarding section of the cave. There was also plenty of time for general exploring before heading back to base for a delicious pasta bake and to enjoy some group games and challenges.

Thursday was to be another big day of caving, starting with a 22 metre abseil into Punchbowl cave. Once everybody was safely down the bottom and had finished their lunch we ventured into a great cavernous part of the cave where hundreds of bats could be seen flying far above us. After sliding down the Great Guano slide we payed a visit to a section called Mudcrack. In Mudcrack the students were in awe of all the mud sculptures left by previous cavers, and some of the more artistically inclined even added something of their own to the spectacle.

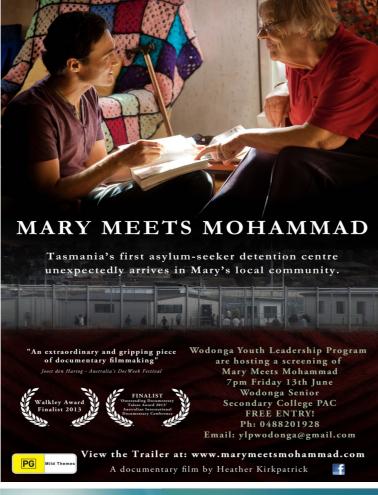
Following Mudcrack saw the group tackle "The Loop"; an in-cave circuit of several fun and challenging cave obstacles (think slides, climbs, crawls and squeezes). After The Loop it was time to head back to the cave entrance and begin our ascent of the dreaded caving ladder. Safe to say that dinner was a very quiet affair that night amongst some very tired students.

Friday was our final day, beginning with a complete packup and clean before a short visit to the tunnel named Gong Cave. Following our final cave we boarded the bus, waved goodbye to Wee Jasper then headed home. Often a favourite amongst the students, caving was raved about by all, and a special thanks must go to Mr Moylan, Mr Bridgeman, Smithy and Justin for their help throughout the four days we could not have done it without you!





Sports Assistant





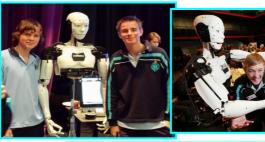
#### THESE STUDENTS NOW THEIR FUTURE IS IT!

Last week a group of Year 10 WSSC students attended the ICT 2014 EXPLORE YOUR FUTURE held at The Cube in Wodonga. The yearly event is organised by NELLEN.

This day was an interactive forum consisting of seven individual workshops, facilitated by industry speakers/presenters from different areas of ICT practice. Students rotated through each workshop during the day allowing them to engage with a cross section of ICT professionals who provided insight into their specific areas of expertise.

Highlights on the day included a 3D printed robot, remote control drones, geospatial satellite technologies and Latrobe Universities robotics department. Congratulations go to Jordan Zanghellini who won an iPod for his feedback on the event.

Paul McMullen Year 12 Coordinator

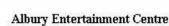








# ALBURY GANG SHOW



A two and a half hour show put on by the Scouts and Guides from the Albury / Wodonga region.

Filled with singing, dancing and comedy skits.



Friday 13th June - 7:30pm Saturday 14th June - 2:00pm & 7:30pm

Tickets - \$12 - Available at the door.

For bookings contact Bookings@Alburygangshow.com.au Hayley: 0439 638 791



#### **CAREER NEWS**

#### HIGH SCHOOL WORKSHOP AT JMC ACADEMY

You have the opportunity to attend a workshop at JMC Academy during the school holidays. You will be able to spend the day undertaking hands on activities in your area of interest. Dates in July are as follows-

- 1: Entertainment Business Management
- 2: Popular Music



For more information and to register, go to <a href="http://www.jmcacademy.edu.au/">http://www.jmcacademy.edu.au/</a>

#### **ZOOS VICTORIA SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMS**

#### Keeper for a Day

If you are keen to find out what it takes to work in a zoo and care for the amazing array of animals, then you may be interested in attending the Keeper for a Day program, which is running at Werribee Open Range Zoo and Healesville Sanctuary.

#### Werribee Open Range Zoo

1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> July - <u>http://www.zoo.org.au/werribee/whats-on/</u>keeper-for-a-day

#### Healesville Sanctuary

1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> July - <a href="http://www.zoo.org.au/healesville/whats-on/keeper-for-a-day">http://www.zoo.org.au/healesville/whats-on/keeper-for-a-day</a>

#### Vet for a Day

This program allows students in Years 7–12 to work in the Healesville Sanctuary Vet Hospital for the day. You will be able to assist the veterinarian's with jobs such as suturing, diagnosis, health checks, and rehabilitation.

Dates are 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> July - <a href="http://www.zoo.org.au/healesville/whats-on/healesville-sanctuary-vet-for-a-day">http://www.zoo.org.au/healesville/whats-on/healesville-sanctuary-vet-for-a-day</a>





#### 2014 ENVIRONMENTAL & MARINE CAREERS EXPO

You have the opportunity to attend this exciting day at SEA LIFE Melbourne Aquarium on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> August. You will be able to learn about the diverse career opportunities available in these fields by attending presentations and learn about courses by speaking directly to professionals from tertiary institutions. You will need to book your place before 27<sup>th</sup> June, http://melbourneaquarium.com.au/



Tamara Mason
Career & Post School Options

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