

Senior News

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Principals Report

Day at WSSC

As part of Education Week 2017, the College will be holding a Day at WSSC social media event, this Thursday the 25th.

This is where we want you to share photos and video of your day at the College using the hashtag, #DayatWSSC.

China Visit

For the past week I have been in China, this is where I have been visiting schools and officials in the Harbin area to promote our College as a possible destination for International students. I am also visiting Weihai, where I will be providing reports to the parents of our current international students and meeting the families of the seven students who will be starting at our College in July.

Peppers Restaurant

The College Peppers Restaurant is open on Friday mornings from 7:00am to 8:30am. The \$7 Buffet breakfast will be served by our Hospitality students. If you would like to attend, please call the College to place a booking on (02) 6043 7500

Look Great and Help a Worthy Cause

The Year 11 Graduate Program students kicked off their fundraising Impact Project this last Thursday in the Salon. The girls are washing, blow-drying and straightening hair for a \$5 donation to the Albury Wodonga Women's Centre.

Project organiser and Year 11 student Jessica Ellison said, "*This is a great opportunity for us to give back to the community and do what we love and the local Women's Centre felt like the right organisation to donate the proceeds to*".

For those wanting to support this great cause you can visit the College hair salon during lunch on a Thursday over the next three weeks.



Jessica Ellison with Samara and Emma pictured in the Salon

Vern Hilditch
Principal

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2017

Calendar

Monday 12th June

Queens Birthday
Public Holiday

Wednesday 14th June

Year 9 Immersion Day

General Achievement
Test (GAT) - no formal
classes

Term Dates

Term 2

18th April - 30th June

Term 3

17th July - 22nd
September

Term 4

9th October - 22nd
December

Coordinators

Year 10

Tim Lamb
Cynthia McFarland
Tim Bridgeman

Year 11

Chris North
Naomi Wattie

Year 12

Brydie Hind
Paul McMullen

VCAL

Mark Smit
Sarah Maybury

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Australian Army Band Kapooka

On Tuesday 16th May, students from WSSC and WMYC were treated to a visit by one of the finest military bands in the country, the Australian Army Band Kapooka (AAB-K). In addition to being outstanding musicians and performers the band members also showed themselves to be very strong educators.

Students from the combined campuses Concert Band were broken up into their instrumental sections and given specialised tuition on their instruments. The students then gathered back together to play songs as a whole band with the Army musicians.

AAB-K then put on a concert for 600 people in Galvin Hall. The rock musicians were excellent but the general consensus was that the "Pep" band stole the show, doing exciting and energetic renditions of modern songs on instruments such as trumpet, trombone, saxes, sousaphone and tuba.



We hope this concert re-inforced to students how much fun music making can be. Please see your Music teachers if you are interested in learning an instrument. Remember, at both WSSC and WMYC there is tuition available on just about any instrument and a whole range of Music ensembles you can participate in.

Geoff Haymes
Music Teacher

13 Reasons Why Netflix Series

The recent release of the Netflix series "13 Reasons Why" has raised concerns from WSSC, Headspace, Youth Mental Health First Aid and a number of other wellbeing agencies.

As a result these organisations are issuing strong warnings to schools, parents and young people to be aware of the risks involved to those who may have watched this series and suggest discussion and support following such exposure.

Please refer to the documents listed below or visit the following websites for further information or advice.

Headspace Article: <http://bit.ly/2qJttDp>

Mental Health First Aid Australia: <http://bit.ly/2qJzArw>

About 13 Reasons Why: <http://bit.ly/2r7gbBI>

How Young People Might Respond to Suicide (Headspace): <http://bit.ly/2q7t62u>

Talking about the Series: <http://bit.ly/2rs3kJV>

Talking about Suicide: <http://bit.ly/2qJFskI>

Managing Social Media: <http://bit.ly/2rHI5k7>

Students are also able to access the College Wellbeing team for support at school.


http://www.wssc.vic.edu.au/?page_id=25897

If a young person is distressed and in need of support, they can call or visit:

- Kids Helpline (1800 55 1800) or kidshelpline.com.au
- eHeadspace (1800 650 890) or eheadspace.org.au
- Lifeline (13 11 14) of lifeline.org

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Assistant Principal

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