# **Senior News**

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# **Principals Report**

#### **Subject Information Evening**

Come along to the Wodonga Senior Secondary College Subject Information evening to be held on Thursday August 10th from 5:00pm to 7:00pm. The event will be held in the Trade Training Centre, accessible via Brockley street.

The Open evening allows Parents and Students the opportunity to consult with Teachers and current Students across all subject areas. This is an important step in making informed decisions about subject preferences and career pathway development. For more information contact the College on: (02) 6043 7500 and speak to David Whitehead, the Assistant Principal of Transition.

#### **Doctors in Secondary Schools Program**

The Victoria Government is making sure young people are getting the health support, advice and treatment they need so they can reach their full potential. The \$43.8 million Doctors In School initiative is delivering on the Victorian Government's election commitment to fund general practitioners to provide medical advice and health care to those students in need up to one day a week in 100 Victorian Schools. In the North East Region, our College along with the Wodonga Middle Years College will be among the four schools piloting the program for the next two years.

All WSSC and WMYC studentswill have the opportunity to make appointments confidentially at the Medical Centre on site. The school's wellbeing team, medical centre Practice Nurse and Doctor will establish a process for students to access the GP program while ensuring student confidentiality. The GP will bulk bill consultations through Medicare, so there will be no out of pocket expenses for the student and/or families

The service will be available to students on Mondays from 10am to 2pm and should start in the last week of August.



Vern Hilditch *Principal* 

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## Calendar

Monday 7th August Year Level Assemblies

Thursday 10th August

Subject Information Evening

Monday 28th August
WFGS Arts Festival

## **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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# Careers News

# Australian Apprenticeship Pathways

This website enables you to undertake apprenticeship aptitude tests, find local apprenticeship and group training centres, and learn about different trade occupations: www.aapathways.com.au/

#### **Careers Bullseye Posters**

You can explore occupations related to your favourite subjects such as English, Mathematics, Food Studies and Art. Click on the occupation title in the bullseye to explore the career area:https://myfuture.edu.au/bullseyes

### **Indigenous Australian Engineering Summer School**

The Indigenous Australian Engineering Summer School will be held at the University of Sydney between 14 - 20January 2018. This program is for Indigenous students who will be entering Years 10, 11 or 12 in 2018.

The program is fully funded and entries close October 6th. For more information and to apply, visit: http://svdnev.edu.au/engineering/jaess/

#### **Deakin Explore**

You can search for careers by course, occupation, what type of work would be important to you (e.g. conserving the environment), and by broad interest area (e.g. business). Once you click on an occupation that interests you, you will be given a list of Deakin University courses that could lead you to this career:

http://explore.deakin.edu.au/

Jim Moylan **Careers Coordinator** 

# **Food For Thought**

At Wodonga Senior Secondary College, we have a large focus on student wellbeing and providing a positive space for our students to achieve and contribute effectively to our region.

Current research has shown that 1 in 5 students in Australia go to school hungry due to financial and family issues (Cahill, 2015).

We know at the College that positive wellbeing increases the chances for students to have:

- Higher academic achievement and complete Year 12
- Better physical and mental health and more pro-social, responsible and lawful lifestyle
- Greater participation in the workforce
- More social inclusion (DEEWR, 2008)

This term we have introduced free fruit to our students. When the students arrive, they can pick up easy care fruit (bananas, mandarins, apples). The response from our students has been overwhelmingly positive. We have been lucky enough to work in partnership with Woolies at White Box Rise, Coles at Birrallee and the brand new Woolies on the corner of High Street and Elgin Boulevard who have generously donated the fruit for the benefit of our students.



**Tracee Flynn** Wellbeing Coordinator

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