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Newsletter

Wagga Wagga Music Eisteddfod



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Calendar 2018

Term 3, Week 9

Mon 17 Sept	Honours Assembly 9am
Tues 18-19 Sept	Yr 10 Driver Training
Wed 19 Sept	Parent Teacher Evening 4pm – 6.30pm
Thurs 20-21 Sept	Yr 11 Final Exams
Fri 21 Sept	Empower Self-Select forms due to Office

Term 3, Week 10

Mon 24-25 Sept	Yr 11 Final Exams
Tues 25 Sept	Yr 12 Prayer Breakfast 7.30am – 8.30am
Wed 26 Sept	Yr 12 Breakfast at School 7.30am – 8.45am Yr 12 Graduation Assembly 10am – 10.46am
Thurs 27 Sept	School Ball 6.30pm – 10.30pm
Fri 28 Sept	Last Day of Term

Feature Photo



Wagga Wagga Music Eisteddfod Duo Winners

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Principals Report

"Without agriculture it is not possible to have a city, stock market, banks, university, church or army. Agriculture is the foundation of civilization and any stable economy". Allan Savory

AgVision

A big thank you to the great team at Junee HS and the Junee Community who put on a highly successful AgVision. From having so many wonderful presenters to special guests, the 650 students enjoyed the day, learning so much.

This event was over 12 months in the planning, with feedback gained from previous events to make this one special. Well done to all students involved in preparing our school for our guests and their assistance on the day.

Also well done to the many Stage 4 students who enjoyed themselves during the Wagga excursion

Curriculum & Staffing

Each year we begin planning for the following year in Term 2, with more events and work in Term 3 and Term 4.

Thank you to students selecting their 2019 elective choices as we slowly build our curriculum offerings and liaise with students about their possible classes and structure.

A few things to note:

- 2019 Stage 5 Empower forms are due Friday 14 September.
- There will be no Stage 4 Empower in 2019.
- There will be 2 Year 7 classes and 2 Year 8 classes for most subjects, then splitting into 5 Stage 4 classes for some subjects.
- In Year 11, the majority of students will be able to study their top choices. If a student does not get their preferred subjects, they have choices about choosing different subjects, studying through Distance Education or Aurora College or obtaining a SBAT (School-Based Apprenticeship or Traineeship).
- Mrs Rhiannon Baxter has been with us in Term 3 as librarian. She has now begun her maternity leave

and will return sometime in 2019. We wish Rhiannon and her family all the best!

- Mrs Marie Speer will begin as Librarian in Term 4 2018.
- Mr David Fellows was successful in gaining the Head Teacher Science/Maths position. He will begin in Term 4 2018.

I thank Mrs Sandra Heffernan who has been relieving in the Head Teacher position for the past 3 years. Sandra has done a wonderful job and has the faculty in a great place.

- Mrs Andrea Francis will return to JHS from her maternity leave position in 2019.
- Mr Brenton George will start in 2019 as the new TAS teacher.

I thank Mr Mitchell Purton for his efforts with us in 2018 as he capably filled the temporary placement in TAS.

- Ms Merran Carr will start in 2019 as the Visual Arts teacher.

I thank Ms Bree Biggar for her efforts with us for the past number of years as she has capably filled in a number of roles, most recently as Visual Arts teacher.

- Two teachers will be permanently appointed as teachers of Special Education, as our two Multi-categorical classes are established
- Congratulations to Mr Shane Logan who has been appointed to the permanent 0.5 position of General Assistant. Shane has been excellent in his role relieving for Mr Phil Turton for the past 18 months. I thank Mr Turton for his efforts at school over the past number of years as he now takes up retirement.

The 0.6 Farm Assistant position will be filled through the Government Public Service Employment process.

Tell Them From Me

We will again participate in the Tell Them From Me school survey, allowing students, parents and teachers their input about Junee HS. Students will be allocated time during class in the next 2 months to complete this survey, as a follow up from the term 1 and previous year's surveys.

Parents and staff details to login to complete the survey. You can access the survey in your own time, between 31 August and 21 October 2016.

Follow the link on your computer or tablet:
<https://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/pr5np>

Parents may complete the survey here at school, where we will have dedicated electronic devices available from the office.

Student Leaders

This week we had 8 Year 11 students complete speeches in the selection process for School Captain. Well done to all who put themselves up for nomination: Jasmine Cameron, Harrison Fahy, Charlotte Field, Mae-Rose Harrison, Donna Nguyen, Zyon Shepherd, Charlie Tattersal and Ariana Thelan.

The 2018-2019 leaders will be announced at the Honours Assembly on Monday 17 September

Honours Assembly

We will hold our Honours Assembly on Monday 17 September, recognising students who have achieved Silver, Gold, Diamond and Honours Status. This assembly is utilising our new system of points tallied. Student awards over the past 5 years are carried into this system.

2018 Honours System and House points				
Bronze Status level	Silver Status level	Gold Status level	Diamond Status level	Honours Status level
50 points	500 points	2500 points	5000 points	10000 points
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sausage Sizzle each term for all at Bronze level or above 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Certificate at Honours Assembly \$5 canteen voucher 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Certificate at Honours Assembly Gold & above Express line at canteen Priority for Excursions \$5 canteen voucher JHS pen 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Certificate at Honours Assembly Priority for Excursions End of Year excursion \$10 canteen voucher JHS pen 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Certificate at Honours Assembly Honours Board Priority for Excursions End of Year excursion \$10 canteen voucher JHS pen

Students and parents can check their points at any time in the Student & Parent Portal.

Please see me if you are having difficulty accessing this portal.

School Ball

Not long now until the School Ball, with practice organised and tickets on sale this week.

Just a reminder that entry to the School Ball is still conditional upon student's attendance, behaviour, completion of assessments and uniform. While no student is excluded yet, there is still the risk that a student may not be allowed to attend the School Ball. If you are concerned that your child may be excluded

or have questions about the School Ball, please make an appointment to speak to me.

P&C

Thank you to parents who were able to attend our latest meeting on Wednesday 12 September, sharing ideas about fundraising, AgVision, recycling, school staffing and the School Ball.

Mr David McLennan has been our P&C President for the past 18 months. Due to other commitments, Mr McLennan has stepped down from this role. I thank Mr McLennan for his support, hard work and insight to help the school and P&C during his tenure.

Ms Teri Edson has stepped up from Vice-President to be the relieving President for the time being before a new President is elected.

Our next meeting will be Thursday 27 October, 7pm in staff common room.

Whole School Assembly

Each fortnight on the even weeks, we host whole school assemblies. We have recently introduced the practice of inviting local employees, employers and managers to speak to students.

I thank Leisa Sowerby from the Junee Recreation Centre who spoke in Week 6 about her life, career and plans for the Junee Recreation Centre. She explained as a manager, what qualities and skills she looks for in potential employees. Notably she mentioned the ability to get along with others and to work hard as two key qualities.

GEO Correctional Centre

We have a wonderful partnership with the GEO centre, benefiting both our places, but they also do some wonderful work in the community.

Our school benefits regularly with the centre supplying food and resources for our Big Breakfast each term, the supply of toys for P&C raffles, the loan of the BBQ for our school events and most recently, the refurbishment of outdoor seating and tables.

The Community hours work crew regularly complete maintenance tasks around our school during holidays as well. This crew completing over 1200 hours during the month of August into projects in the Junee Shire, including maintenance of the cemeteries, marking

fields for the Junee League and League Tag carnivals as well as work at the Junee Pony club.

The expansion work continues with Junee benefitting from extra workers in town. In the New Year there will be over 100 new jobs created at the centre, increasing the population of Junee and surrounds.

Be your best. Be respectful. Be responsible

Mr Scott Frazier
Principal

School to Work Project – Energy Efficiency

On Friday August 31, six Stage 5 students underwent blower door training. Sunny Zhao and George Harrison guided Grace McGrath, Morgan Fitzgerald, Marvin Hutchen, Alex Corneliusen, Bailey Robertson and Amanda Bollingmoore through the purpose of the equipment, how to set up the door and how to use the infrared cameras to find leaks in buildings. The training session was held in the HUB which is a notoriously cold space. The test revealed over 18 air changes per hour, which is quite high for such a small area.

The team detected the major leaks spots – disused wall vents, the door into the maths storeroom, a hole in the floor and poorly fitting windows. Ten minutes of repairs later - using gaffer tape, door seal strips, tissue paper to plug the floor hole and door “snakes” on the window ledges saw an immediate reduction in the number of air changes per hour down to 13.5.

The JHS testing team then travelled to Junee Public school and worked with the two Stage 3 classes to test a classroom and the Community Centre building next door. Both spaces proved difficult to test with the high ceilings, large disused vents, old sash windows and big spaces revealing some of the highest air change per hour numbers we have seen. Up in the 80's! Clearly, a room with 80+ air changes per hour requires a lot of heating and cooling contributing to high electricity and gas bills.



The JHS test team will work with the Grade 5 and 6 students again, next week to test and make improvements to some more JHS classrooms in an effort to reduce the rate of heating and cooling required to make us comfortable as we learn.

Ms Jen Hoy
Head Teacher Teaching & Learning

Wagga Wagga Music Eisteddfod

Last Wednesday 21 students from Years 7 to 12 participated in the Wagga Wagga Music Eisteddfod.

Our elective Music class band and our two extra-curricular bands competed in the Rock and Pop section. Two of the bands were awarded 86 points (out of 100) for playing *High Hopes* by Kodaline and *You Give Love a Bad Name* by Bon Jovi. The third received a High Commended Award and 89 points for playing *Life is a Highway* by the Rascals.

Four students also competed in the U18 Vocal/Instrumental Duo section. Mae-Rose Harrison and Paige Thelan were awarded High Commended for their performance of *This is Me* from *The Greatest Showman* and Sam Gallop and Donna Luu Nguyen were awarded first place for their performance of *Never Tear Us Apart* by INXS.



All students should be congratulated for their participation in the Eisteddfod. They worked tirelessly throughout the term to prepare their performances and they did themselves and our school proud on the day.

Thanks also to Mr Bedford and Ms Hoy who helped to prepare our students.

Miss Melinda Hyland
Music Teacher

Crime Prevention Workshops

On Monday 3 September Julieanne, from Legal Aide came to speak to students about their Rights, Responsibilities and the Law.

Years 7-10 participated in a program that educated them about the criminal implications of making, sending and keeping 'sexy pics' and online bullying.

Year 10 then participated in the BURN program and Year 10-12 participated in the Traffic Law and Young People program.

Year 11 Legal Studies then had an opportunity to engage with Julieanne around their specific content. This is the first time these issues have been presented to students from a Law perspective informing them of help seeking avenues as well as the penalties for incorrect behaviours.

Students were able to ask questions and seek clarification on laws and their responsibilities in connection to this. It was a successful and informative lot of sessions for students of Junee High.

Cooprenet District SRC Meeting

On Monday 10 September four Student Representatives, Brooke Harris, Bree Scott, Campbell McDevitt and Kate Bradley attended the District SRC Cooprenet meeting in Aria Park. These students were able to see how these meetings were run and contribute toward discussion regarding problem solving and forward planning.



The students from Aria Park put on a sheep dog trial presentation to demonstrate the program run at the school and how this shows and develops leadership in students.

On discussion later during the drive home, our students discussed how in comparison to other schools they felt they were having success in planning and

implementing their goals and that they felt they achieve more in Term 4.

If you have ideas or suggestions for the SRC for fundraising or wellbeing activities in our school, speak to your year rep who will bring these to meetings. Be an active member of your school by supporting your SRC and allow your voice to be heard.

GEO Big Breakfast

On Friday 31 August the GEO Big Breakfast was held. Teachers and SRC reps cooked up a storm of delicious bacon, eggs and sausages. This was gratefully consumed by students and staff alike, filling hungry tummies and setting students up for high engagement in their learning.

Breakfast is important for our health and wellbeing as it provides the body and brain with fuel after an overnight fast - that's where its name originates, breaking the fast! Without breakfast you are effectively running on empty, like trying to start the car with no petrol! The body needs the essential nutrients you get from having breakfast and research shows that if these are missed at breakfast, they are less likely to be compensated for later in the day.

It's great to see GEO valuing our kids health in this way. A big thank you to Hayley from GEO and James Davies from the Council for coming along on the day and to all the staff who assisted with so faithfully serving our students.



REROC

"Have the courage to follow your heart and intuition. They somehow know what you truly want to become".
Steve Jobs

Thirteen students from years 7-11 attended the REROC Leadership forum hosted by the Riverina Eastern Regional Organisation of Councils held at the Athenaeum in Junee. This year's workshop focused on providing young people with the tools required to have a strong, confident voice in society and take a leadership role in their community. The workshop also aimed to inspire students to get involved in their local community through volunteering.

The day was opened by local mayor, Neil Smith, who welcomed everyone and presented a fantastic poem about Junee and small regional towns. Students were then divided into teams that participated in two different workshops. One facilitated by the FRANK team who delivered a fun, hands on workshop. The focus was on leadership and developing public speaking skills to empower future leaders.

The other workshop was with Anna from Mindful Warrior. Anna's Mindfulness Program gives students tools and coping strategies that they can use in their everyday lives.

Students also participated in some teamwork activities trying to build tall towers out of spaghetti and marshmallows. There were several local speakers who talked about their job pathways, success' and failures and how these contributed toward them becoming a leader in their area. This day was an informative and practical learning experience for our up and coming leaders to build their skills and knowledge.



Head on over to www.takecharge.org.au or www.facebook.com/takechageriverina to get connected.

Daffodil Day

Students from the SRC held a store to sell produce to raise funds for Daffodil Day on Friday 24 August. All SRC students participated in selling flowers and merchandise either in town or at school throughout the day. Over \$600 was raised towards this fantastic cause.

Congratulations to all who supported this fund raiser by purchasing 'a daffodil' on the day and to the SRC for coordinating this endeavour.

Ms Bree Biggar
Wellbeing Coordinator

P&C News Flash

Thankyou to Maree Wright, Belinda Vine, Miranda Peters, Molly McLennon, Tyson Hawke and Julie Shepherd, for assisting on Friday last at AgVision. Their help was much appreciated, it was a long day.

The School Ball is on Thursday 27 September and the P&C are doing the supper. Thankyou to Justine McDevitt, Megan Honner, Jody Crowder, Cathy Passlow and Julie Shepherd who have volunteered for the evening. Cathy and Jody are whizzes in the kitchen. Maree Wright will be making the pizza scrolls.

Our Christmas raffle is on Friday 2 November and a cake stall will be held outside Junee Capital Chemist. This will be our last fundraiser for the year. The P&C would like to thank all our volunteers and community members for their help throughout 2018.

Our next P&C Meeting is on Wednesday 12 September at 7.00pm and all parents and community members are welcome to attend.

The P&C are working on a Volunteer Grant at the moment.

The Canteen needs more resources. This Volunteer Grant is designed to attract more volunteers to the P&C so hopefully we will be successful.

Mrs Julie Shepherd
Secretary

Operation Christmas Child

Operation Christmas Child collects shoeboxes filled with gifts and delivers them to children in need around the world. Each child may have never received any gift, let alone a Christmas gift, in their life. OCC is an amazing opportunity to bring joy into a child's life.

We hope to show June High students a DVD explaining this project and the delight on the children's faces when they receive these shoeboxes, it is overwhelming. Most children who receive a box might not even own pencils or even socks.

Our students would like to fill at least two shoeboxes, one for a boy 5-9 years old and a girl 5-9 years old. If you would like your child/children to support this project the following list gives you ideas of what to send into school:-

Something to wear – t-shirt, shorts, cap, beanie etc

Something to love – teddy bear, doll, soft toy etc

Something special – carry bag, sunglasses, bangles, stickers, necklaces, craft kits etc

Something for school – exercise book, pencil case, pens, pencils, colouring in pencils, sharpener, eraser etc

Something to play with – tennis ball, cars, skipping rope, marbles, yo-yo, slinky, finger puppets etc

Something for personal hygiene – soap and face washer, toothbrush, hairbrush, comb, scrunchies, hair clips etc

Please do not send in toothpaste, shampoo, bubbles, crayons, play dough, worn clothing and old toys, breakable items, perishables such as food, or playing cards. Once we receive the goods, we will remove all packaging to reduce the amount of waste that will go into the community where the box may find itself.

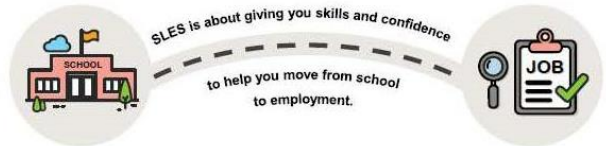
If you would like to find out more, please contact the school on Fridays, alternatively the Operation Christmas Child website is full of helpful information.

Mr Lucas King
School Chaplain

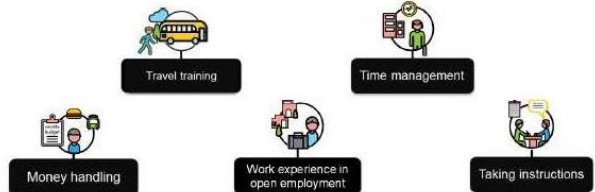


Are you a Year 12 student? School Leaver Employment Support (SLES) is a new NDIS support.

The NDIS is introducing a new support to help NDIS participants transition from school to employment – the School Leaver Employment Support initiative (SLES).



SLES offers you individualised support for up to 2 years after finishing year 12 to help you get ready for work and plan your pathway to employment. Your SLES supports will be tailored to meet your individual employment goal. This may include:



SLES will help you achieve your employment aspirations.

The National Disability Insurance Agency is pleased to present an information session on the **NDIS and employment for school leavers**, covering:

- Employment support options for school leavers with disability
- NDIS decision-making in relation to employment
- What information to bring to your NDIS planning meeting.

Wednesday 19 September 4 PM to 5 PM
Pacific Lounge, Wagga RSL, Dobbs Street, Wagga Wagga.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Post School Options

EXPO

Providing students, families, carers, friends & educational personnel

with the opportunity to gather information from a wide variety of service providers and training organisations, including TAFE, Government and non-government agencies.

For students with disability and special needs.

Join us at the EXPO to discover all you need to know about;

School Leavers Employment Supports

Lifestyle choices and social activities

Supported Employment

Open Employment

Apprenticeships & Traineeships

Further Education, NDIS and much more!

When:

Wednesday 19th September 2018
Time: 5:00-7:00pm

Where:

Wagga RSL Club
Mirage room
Dobbs st

ENTRY FREE

Further Information

Contact the Support teacher Transition

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