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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Already the end of Term 3! Many of our Year 12 students have completed components of their HSC examinations for practical courses including Music, Industrial Technology Timber, Textiles and Visual Art. I had the great pleasure of seeing the student's work before it was sent off for marking; the quality of the students' works was simply outstanding. Congratulations to all the students and teachers! The hours of dedication will I am sure, be handsomely repaid.

The remaining examinations start early in Term 4 and we wish all students the very best as they study for and sit these final school examinations!

Year 12 have been a wonderful group of students and I have very much enjoyed watching them grow over the past five years, becoming such fine young people. I am confident that Windsor High School has given them the best start possible and that they will achieve much in their future lives to benefit the community and their own selves and families.

As they move into life beyond school, we all hope that they achieve the results they want and need for their future studies, apprenticeships, or jobs. I know that some of them are heading overseas for a "gap year", an idea which I wholeheartedly support!

. WALKING TOGETHER . LEARNING TOGETHER .

Travelling to different cultures is one of the very best things that one can do, to begin to understand the beauty, diversity, joy and challenges faced by peoples the world over. There is only the formal and the graduation ceremony to go this term, and then another group of Year 12 moves on! We will miss them very much!

Outgoing Captains 2013

Thank you to the four outgoing School Captains for 2013 - Shannon M, Jasmine B, Holly M, Renee D. These four girls have been excellent role models for the school and have done a fine job in their Captain's role. I am sure that their leadership experiences will help them forge a bright future!



Captains elect for 2014

As you are probably aware, the new captains for 2014 have been announced. They are:

Amy B, Jimmy F, Dolly P and Hannah R.

These students will be inaugurated on a whole school assembly later this term. They are four very fine young people and perform their role in an outstanding manner.

There were four other equally talented and dedicated Year 11 students who nominated for captain this year: Natasha K, Chantelle S, Caitlyn F, Brock T. These four missed out on being elected by a whisker in a close race. I am very appreciative of their time in nominating and am disappointed for them in missing out in this instance. Their leadership skills will, however, be well utilised into the future.

NAPLAN 2013

The NSW Board of Studies has contacted Principals to advise them that the sending of NAPLAN results to parents will be delayed until early-mid October, a result of an error in the portrayal of the data on the letters. The B.O.S has apologised for this and we will send the results to parents as soon as we get them next term!

Improvements to school buildings and grounds

We continue to work on improving the school grounds and buildings as quickly as we can given our limited funds. The P&C intends to hold a working bee next term and we need to see as many of you there as possible. We will have a list of things to do, mostly in the grounds and gardens, and you will have good company! A BBQ lunch will be provided. Please check the website for final details, including final date. We are hoping to get the Administration block gyprocked over the holidays to make the area more modern and attractive. The Boys Group has continued to work hard this term and have been renovating gardens and rebuilding brick foundations for the seats in the senior quad.

Cyber Bullying

The Police Youth Liaison officer has visited this term to deliver workshops to Year 7 students about safe use of the internet and the dangers of cyber bullying. The latest visit was Week 9 term 3, the second visit this term. This is an important issue for all young people and their parents. We take strong action against any form of bullying at Windsor High School, including cyber bullying. Parents need to be partners in this action as well, however, for it to be successful. Children who are involved in cyber bullying are doing this at home usually via facebook. They can sometimes be on facebook well into the evening.

Cyber bullying can be very hurtful as children and adults will often say things over the internet that they would never say face to face. They will often use unacceptable language that again, they would never use in person.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT.....cont

The Department of Education and Communities has some very good advice for parents in helping them manage their child's use of facebook and the internet. Good suggestions include:

- Children under 13 years of age should not have a facebook account. If they do, then they have not been truthful about their age when setting it up. Parents should not condone this.
- Year 7 and 8 children in particular find facebook and cyberbullying difficult to manage. If you approve of them having a facebook page, then discuss with them how to manage the issues they may face. They should be judicious in who they befriend on Facebook, and block anyone who sends offensive or aggressive messages rather than get embroiled in ongoing arguments.
- Parents should not get involved in Facebook arguments with children from other families using their own child's Facebook account. This could leave the parent open to action from the police and it only adds fuel to the fire.

- Check that the child has set the appropriate restrictions and privacy settings on their Facebook account. What is published on Facebook is largely accessible to anyone who can get access to the internet. Children and adults alike can put their own security at risk by careless use of privacy settings.
- make sure the child turns off their mobile device (phone, ipad, ipod) at an early hour to give them the best chance of a good night's sleep!

To learn more, go to the DEC home page Parents' tab and follow the links or cut and past this url link into your web browser.

<http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/technology/cyberbullying/say-no-to-cyberbullying>

Mrs A Cam - **Principal**

DEPUTY'S REPORT

Captains 2014

Congratulations to our Captains Elect for 2014! Amy , Jimmy , Dolly and Hannah who were recently elected to be Windsor High Schools captains by their peers. This was a demanding process that included nominations, interviews and speeches in front of a whole school assembly. All candidates were of outstanding quality and underwent a rigorous process to be selected. Those students who were not elected as captains and have become part of the SRC should also be congratulated on their fine achievements.

Year 12 Graduation

The Year 12 Graduation held on Wednesday 18th September was a wonderful opportunity to celebrate the successes of Year 12. The ceremony highlighted the importance of staff and parents in the role of assisting Year 12 to

reach their potential. I would like to take this opportunity to wish Year 12 health, happiness and success for the future and congratulate them on completing 6 years of High School.

Inspire Concert

Another example of a recent fantastic event at Windsor High School. The Inspire Concert was a practice run for our HSC students in Music and Entertainment. The whole night was organised by students, from production, sound, lighting to performance and was an excellent night for the audience. All students should be very proud of their achievements on this night.

I was exceptionally proud of the level of talent amongst these students as would be the staff who have been working with them, including Mr Bonaccorso, Mrs West, Mr Cane, Mr Woodford and Mrs Douglas. These staff members give up their time and put much effort

DEPUTY'S REPORT.....cont

and care into ensuring a successful evening and providing opportunities for students to showcase their talents.

G'Day USA

Recently the G'Day USA students organised a fund raising raffle with a number of prizes. The first draw earlier this week was won by Mrs Kedicioglu who will enjoy a Nepean Belle cruise. Other prizes were won by Suzette Howarth and Mrs Moore who won \$50.00 gift vouchers for the Ettamogah Hotel.

The final draw will be held on the 10th December for the major prizes of Captain Cook Cruises, Windsor YMCA Yearly Gym Membership, Jenolan Caves tour, Koala Sanctuary vouchers and much more.

Tickets will continue to be sold at various events throughout the term, including the P and C event on Saturday 21st September at Windsor High School. The Wine and Cheese night has an entry fee of \$10 and then over 18's can taste a selection of Upper Hunter Valley wines with the opportunity to purchase on the night. Delicious cakes and slices will be on sale at this event to assist in fundraising for the GDay USA tour.

Wishing everyone a safe and happy holiday. Hoping that we all come back refreshed ready to finish up the year at Windsor High School in the best way that we can.

Mr S Mudiman
Deputy Principal

HSC VISUAL ARTS MAJOR WORKS



HSIE REPORT

Yr 9 Northern Beaches Excursion

A beautiful Sydney morning greeted 40 Yr 9 Geography students as we boarded the bus heading to Collaroy, Dee Why and Long Reef. The students spent the day learning about Coastal systems and processes, the importance of the natural dune and vegetation systems, impacts of development and coastal management.

All the information students gained will be invaluable as they work towards the completion of their major assessment in this course- a Research Action Plan (RAP) on Coastal Management. It is worth 40% of the course assessment. For students who did not attend the excursion, field notes and completed work sheet answers can be found on the school website. Click on the “ curriculum “ tab and then go to HSIE. In the RAP tab you will find these resources. The Warringah Council website also has some great information and pictures to use in relation to coastal management and erosion.



Behaviour of WHS students on the day was EXCEPTIONAL . It was an absolute pleasure to take the students who attended the excursion. I have never been on a fieldtrip with so many well behaved, polite and attentive students. The field leaders who were with us for the day, said that our students were probably the best group they have had in some time. A very proud day for the WHS community.



I would encourage all students to ensure they are on track to complete and hand in their RAP on time. I know extensive class work is happening in all classes. If after this, and consultation of resources on the school website you still have questions, please contact your child's class teacher or myself.

Mrs K Boyd
Relieving HT HSIE

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SRC REPORT

School Captains 2014

Congratulations to the following students: Hannah R, Jimmy F, Amie B and Dolly P who have been voted School Captains of Windsor High School for 2014. The position of School Captain is one of great esteem and responsibility.

Their appointment will ensure that there is an avenue for communication between our students, members of staff, as well as the various parent support groups that are active in our school community. Our Captains achieve this by attending regular meetings with key staff in the school and communicating ideas, which have been proposed by members of the student body.

Our school motto: "Walking together Learning Together" is the key principle of Windsor High School that school captains aim to maintain amongst their peers from Year 7 to Year 12.

School Captains are also active in an extensive variety of fundraisers and events, not just within the school but also in the broader community. They help out at school events such as Jeans for Genes Day and Pink Ribbon Day as well as chairing Assemblies, Awards Ceremonies and ANZAC Ceremonies. School Captains encourage and inspire others, and present as role models for those who will take on their positions the following year.

NAPLAN NOTICE

"On Thursday 5 September ACARA identified an error in the placement of the national average markers on the Years 5 and 7 NAPLAN Student Reports for Language Conventions. Importantly the NAPLAN student data is correct. ACARA made the immediate decision to halt any further packaging and distribution of NAPLAN reports while options regarding the distribution of correct NAPLAN Student Reports were considered

ACARA is working closely with Test Administration Authorities (TAAs) in every state and territory to ensure correct reports are distributed. This matter may result in the delay of the distribution of student reports, possibly to the week of 13 October, however ACARA and TAAs will seek to minimise the delay.

Upcoming Events

TERM 4 2013

- ◇ 8/10 Students Return
- ◇ 22/10 Year 7 Gala Day
- ◇ 11/11 Yr 9 & 10 Exams commence
- ◇ 15/11 Yr 9 & 10 Exams conclude
- ◇ 4/12 Yr 7 2014 Orientation Day
- ◇ 11/12 Presentation Night
- ◇ 13/12 Semester 2 Award Ceremony
- ◇ 16/12 Semester 2 Reward Excursion
- ◇ 19/12 Staff Development Day



STUDENT SUPPORT OFFICERS REPORT

Year 11 Bstreetsmart Excursion

On the 22nd August we took 50 of our year 11 students to the Bstreetsmart event at Allphones Arena in Homebush. The event is Australia's largest educational event on road safety with over 71 00 students attending the excursion over a couple of days. The purpose of this initiative is to reduce the fatality and injury rates of young people by promoting safe behaviour as drivers, riders and passengers.

Students were shown a step by step process of a re-enacted car accident that happened as a result of passengers distracting the driver and driving under the influence of alcohol. The scenario then showed the damage of reckless driving resulting in death and serious injuries. The NSW police, Police Crash Investigation Unit, NSW Fire and Rescue and the Ambulance Service all joined in the re-enactment to show and talk us through exactly what takes place after a serious car accident.

During the break, students were then able to explore the 19 interactive displays set up around the arena where they could talk to some of the services involved in the previous scenario. We later then heard real life stories from speakers who had suffered brain and spinal injuries as a result of car accidents and their journey through rehabilitation.



We would like to thank the trauma service at Westmead Hospital for such a truly inspiring initiative and look forward to taking more students in the years to come.

If you are interested in more information you can go to their website at <http://www.bstreetsmart.org/>.



STUDENT SUPPORT OFFICERS REPORT.....cont

#LIKE Girls program

Windsor High recently partnered with Wesley Mission-Nepean Adolescent & Family service to run a program for some of our Year 8 girls. The program was run for 8 weeks with an anti-bullying focus on how to specifically promote positive change.

During the project the girls were asked to take photos and provide captions that communicated their message of anti-bullying or positive change.

The photos shown below were then printed out and displayed, along with a photo book and video, during a graduation that the group beautifully put on for their friends and teachers. We are very proud of the end result and have put the photo book and some of the enlarged photos up in our Front Office for everyone to see.

Well done girls and I hope you all gained something from your time completing the program

Ms N Owen (Student Support Officer)



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VENUE: RICHMOND CLUB

TIMES: JUNIOR 5-11years old 5-6.30pm (Cost \$5)
SENIOR 12-17years old 7-10pm (Cost \$11)

Remaining Dates: 26th July, 2013

30th August, 2013

27th September, 2013

25th October, 2013 (Halloween)

29th November, 2013

MORE TIMES YOU COME THE MORE CHANCES TO WIN A TABLET.

MATHS COUNTS

How quickly the end of term has come around. It has been an extremely busy term for all of our students and I am sure that they are looking forward to the holidays.

This is an important time for many of our senior students. Year 12 are studying hard in readiness for the Higher School Certificate early next term. All students are welcome to come to the staffroom and request any help that they need. We also advise students to take advantage of these excellent websites available for revision.

mymathsonline.com.au
www4.boardofstudies.nsw.edu.au
<http://hsc.csu.edu.au/>

In celebration of Numeracy Week this term, our Year 7 and 8 students enjoyed participating in our Mathematics Competition. All students had fun working on the various puzzles, games and problems. Winners received canteen vouchers. The competition was such a success that we are hoping to conduct one each term.

Recently some of our advanced students from years 7, 8 and 9 participated in the Mathematics Competition. We are eagerly awaiting their results.

A new website has recently been developed by the Australian Securities and Investments Commission (ASIC) called MoneySmart. The website has resources to assist parents to provide their children with good consumer and financial education. Another website that may also be of interest to you is the DEC SchoolAtoZ site. This site has a variety of interesting articles and useful information for parents. I would particularly like to draw your attention to the Homework tab where there are some Maths Help Sheets.

We wish all our students and parents a happy and relaxed holiday.

Mrs M Court
Head Teacher Mathematics

MEDICAL ALERT

Earlier this term parents/guardians were sent a letter and medical information form. It is important that this medical information form is completed, even if your son/daughter does not have any medical conditions, and returned to the Front Office so your son/daughter's medical condition information can be updated.

For the safe management of your son/daughter's medical condition it is imperative that we have the most up-to-date information available to us.

If you have not already returned this form we ask that you do so as soon as possible.

Thank you for your co-operation.



WINDSOR
HIGH SCHOOL

Windsor Country Delights!

A Producer's Market

A Social Evening of Wine & Cheese Tasting.

Date: Saturday, 21st September 2013

Where: Windsor High School—Hall
Mulgrave Road, McGraths Hill

Time: 6:00pm

Tastings from:

Cruickshank Callatoota Estate
Stonehill
Two Rivers

Tickets: \$10.00 Adults

Bookings essential.

Tickets available from

Windsor High School &

Speechley Property - 517 George Street, South Windsor.



Additional Produce:

Jams, pickles, honey, fruit, vegetables,

plants, slices, biscuits, cakes,

food stalls, cheese, chocolate, hot beverages & cold drinks!

Children/students may attend when accompanied by a responsible adult

This is a fundraising event for **Windsor High School P & C**

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

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RAISING WOMEN

A unique opportunity to celebrate your girl's journey into womanhood



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A safe and appropriate rite of passage is missing in our modern society. This is a fantastic opportunity for our girls to receive the support they need from older women at this critical time in their life.

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Windsor High School Uniform Shop Price List - JULY 2013

ALL STUDENTS

Sloppy Joe	\$30.00
Jacket (optional)	\$45.00
Knitted Jumper (Sml-Med)	\$40.00
Knitted Jumper (Lge-3XL)	\$45.00
P.E Track Jacket (stripe)	\$ 35.00

JUNIOR BOYS.

Grey Cargo Shorts	\$25.00
Grey Cargo Pants	\$35.00
White Shirts	\$15.00
White Polo	\$16.00

JUNIOR GIRLS.

Pleated Skirt - Tartan	\$38.00
Straight Skirt - Tartan	\$38.00
White Blouse	\$15.00
White Polo	\$16.00

SENIOR BOYS.

Grey Cargo Short	\$25.00
Grey Cargo Pants	\$35.00
Yellow Shirt	\$15.00
Yellow Polo	\$16.00

SENIOR GIRLS.

Pleated Skirt - Tartan	\$38.00
Straight Skirt - Tartan	\$38.00
Yellow Blouse	\$15.00
Yellow Polo	\$16.00
Green pants (Stretch)	\$35.00

P.E UNIFORM – BOY & GIRLS

P.E Shorts (stripe)	\$ 20.00	Bottle Green/Gold
P.E Shirt	\$ 25.00	Bottle Green/Gold
P.E Track Pants	\$ 30.00	Bottle Green

OPENING HOURS

Tuesdays and Thursdays

8.00 am - 8.45 am

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