

WEEK 7, TERM 4

SAFETY TEAMWORK ACHIEVEMENT RESPECT



Nest - Year 9 - Studio

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Week 6 at Windsor High began with students in different year groups doing some of their yearly examinations. This assessment period provides students with the opportunity to show improvement from their mid semester results as well as show their understanding of the key concepts that have been covered in their courses. The examinations are taken very seriously by the staff and we have high expectations in regard to the behaviours and application to completing the examination papers. On the whole the behaviour of students in the examination room has been excellent with many Head Teachers reporting to me just how wonderful the students had worked.



Tuesday Assembly was a very positive start to the week celebrating the best Creative and Performing Arts (CAPA) students and the very talented students who performed at the Hawkesbury Festival.



CAPA award recipients

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Hawkesbury Music Festival Helpers

Our links to the community continue to strengthen with our Linkages Programs to our feeder primary schools. Windsor PS and Windsor South PS visited our school for the second meeting of the Leadership Program. The students organised the activities they will be participating in when they visit the aged care facility at Hawkesbury Living during Week 8. The students are so excited about playing bingo and dominoes with the elderly residents and I am sure the senior citizens will respond positively to sharing some quality time with the wonderful students.



More of our Linkages Programs occurred with Year 4 students from Windsor Park enjoying their turn at the School's Harvest Program. Students saw the process from planting the vegetables, to harvesting and then cooking to present a 'Banquet fit for Kings'





Windsor also attended their final day of picking, cooking and eating this week for the culmination of their Hawkesbury Harvest experience. It was great to see the positive comments made on the schools Face Book page about this program.



Windsor Public

As a part of our White Ribbon Anti domestic violence program some of our male students attended a Men of Honour excursion on Wednesday the 16th November. The boys had a great time and many issues relating to young men were raised. Thanks to Mr Cotter, Mr Fragogiannis and Mr Paquay for a great day.



To continue our emphasis on teacher professional learning to ensure improved student learning outcomes, all Windsor High School teaching staff remained at school last Thursday evening to attended extended professional learning. There were a number of topics covered including evaluation of our School Plan with the emphasis on what our goals are and what milestones in 2017 will help us achieve them. We had an in service on our new on line rewards program called Vivo. Students are rewarded for being engaged in learning and displaying our core values of Safety, Teamwork, Achievement and Respect (STAR). Teachers were informed that Windsor High School is currently in the top 4 schools in the state where over 90% of teachers are awarding their allocated points. This shows that our teachers are outstanding at rewarding students who are making great positive choices. Students can log in on line and see how many points they have earnt. They can also log in and redeem these points for prizes that they choose for themselves. Please ask your children how many points they have and where they are ranked in their year group.



We have placed an emphasis on improving the learning environments at Windsor High. These sorts of projects take a long time in the planning, with finances needing to be allocated, quotes sort, works completed, resources ordered and installed. Last week two of the projects were both finished and launched. One is the creation of a new Business Services room. This course is a VET course which leads to industry approved accreditation so it is important that the teaching occurs in a simulated work environment. This classroom has now been set up to look like an office. It also has significant technological resources including a TV that doubles at a computer screen that can be laid horizontally for specific computer based programs.



Business Services Room



The other major project completed was the new computer laboratory in the Library. This will give our students access to 30 computers before school, recess and lunch, under the supervision of our librarian, as well as another room that can be booked by staff for their classes to go to when technology can be used to aid learning.



New library computer lab.

Also the next stage of our roof replacement has started with the HSIE/Library block being re-roofed. This has meant that the HSIE teachers have been temporarily moved to downstairs in C block and the students have a new timetable to reflect room changes. The Library remains open but for safety reasons, they will need to enter the library from the rear access door. The short term pain of rearranging rooms will pay off with the long term gain of dry rooms when the weather is inclement.

I am individually handing out Year 11 Preliminary Students Reports this week and discussing their achievements and how we can best support their learning needs as they complete their HSC courses.

Parents have been invited to attend these meetings with me if they wish to. Students are booking their appointments through our on line booking system in their study periods or lunch times.

Looking forward to another great week at Windsor High

Regards

Jennifer Hawken

Principal

CALENDAR

22/11	Police Talk - Not even once - Years 7-10
	Harvest Program
	Peer Support
	P & C Meeting

- 23/11 Bulbwal Wuger Year 9 Aboriginal Boys LLC Computer Workshops Period 3 & 4 Exc Science on the Road
- 24/11 Engineers Without Borders
- 25/11 White Ribbon Day
 Sister Speak Period 3
 LLC Drama Workshops Period 3 & 4
- 26/11 Windsor High School Music Festival (Sat)
- 28/11 STRENGTH Resilience Program Pd 1 SHINE Resilience Program - Period 4
- 29/11 Principal's Morning Tea
- 30/11 Bulbwal Wuger Year 9 Aboriginal Boys LLC Drama Workshop Period 1 - 3 LLC Computer Workshops Period 3 & 4
- 30/11-2/12 Swim School Year 7
- 1/12 Year 10 Formal Hawkesbury Race Club
- 2/12 Sister Speak Period 3
 Rewards Exc—V8 Supercars
- 5/12 STRENGTH Resilience Program Pd 1 SHINE Resilience Program - Period 4
- 6/12 Orientation Day
- 7/12 Presentation Evening
- 8/12 Wet & Wild Reward Excursion
- 9/12 Exc Primary Leadership Program
- 10/12 STRENGTH Resilience Program Pd 1 SHINE Resilience Program - Period 4
- 13/12 Annual Award Ceremont
- 19/12-20/12 Staff Development Day

CALENDAR (Continued) 2017

- 27/1 Staff Development Day
- 30/1 School resumes for Years 7, 11 & 12
- 31/1 School resumes for Years 8, 9 & 10





WINDSOR HIGH SCHOOL

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JUNIOR POLO	\$35.00
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GIRLS SLACKS	\$35.00
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SPORTS POLO	\$35.00
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SLOPPY JOE	\$35.00
APRONS	\$10.00
4 PAIRS WHITE SOCKS	\$15.00
SCARVES	\$10.00
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 $\textbf{HOURS:} \ \text{Monday to Friday 8am-4.30pm \& first Saturday of the month 9am-12noon}$

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Supporting Hawkesbury Community Services provide hampers to families in need this Christmas.

Prizes for the Year Group that brings in the most items*

Custard - long life

Milk - long life

Cream - long life

Fruit - tinned

Chips / Pretzels

Shortbread

Biscuits

Ham - tinned

Lollies

Fruit mince pies

Christmas Cake

Christmas Pudding

Soft drink

Cereal

Please only bring the above items and drop them off in the Career's room (C6).

Last day to donate items is Friday 2nd December

*Only if winning year group brings in over 20 items



Google Chromebooks are coming to Windsor High School in 2017!

As part of our BYOD Policy, we are happy to announce that we will be promoting Chromebooks for use in our school from 2017. These laptops are mandatory for the Year 7 Gifted and Talented class and optional for all other students. They are very affordable and JB Hi-Fi has set up our own school portal to make the purchase of these laptops very easy, they even offer a 12 month interest free payment plan. The portal recommends several types that are suitable for our students with a range of prices starting at less than \$300.

Maybe it would make a good Christmas present for your child!

You can access the site by using the following link and the parent password will take to you our school's portal.

For Parent use

https://www.jbeducation.com.au/byod/ School code winhsbyod2017

Boxing Interest Group

Every Thursday for interest group I've been going to boxing with Mr. Said and have really enjoyed the sessions. We play mini games of shoulder taps, skipping 4 rounds for 2 minutes with a 45 second break in between.

Mr Said holds pads for us and teaches us how to hold them correctly. We hold the pads in front of our partners and we encourage them to hit the centre of the pads like a N/N/N/N (ninja)

After that we usually smash the tear-drop bag for 6 rounds at 1 minute with a 45 second break. Sometimes we get a medicine ball and pass it around to improve our strength and coordination.

After that depends on the time we either do cardio work on the skipping rope or stretch out our limbs.

Isaac Banks







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Japanese students visiting Windsor High School!



HOST A JAPANESE STUDENT!

Payment to Host Families: \$450

- * 1 Student per Homestay
- * For *9 nights* from the 19th to the 28th of March
- * Students aged 15 to 17 yrs.
- * Host Families with younger children are Welcome!!
- * The student can travel to and from school with your child.
- * 24/7 Support in English and Japanese just a phone call away
- * The students all speak basic English



Japanese students are a pleasure to host and it's a great opportunity for your family to experience another culture and make an international friend.



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