

HIGH SCHOOL

### Week 7 Term 4 2017

SAFETY TEAMWORK ACHIEVEMENT RESPECT

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Masks in Progress Katrina and Joshua YR 8





Windsor High has been further strengthening our ties to our feeder primary schools this year. It is a part of our school plan, within our strategic direction-'Connections to our Community' focus. Our Hawkesbury Harvest Program is a part of this direction. Maraylya Public School have been attending Windsor High School for Hawkesbury Harvest in term three and four. They grew the produce then cooked and ate what they grew! Windsor High helpers on the day were Imogen, Jada, Eve, Reili,

Shanaye, Jazmin and Jake. Everyone had a fantastic time!











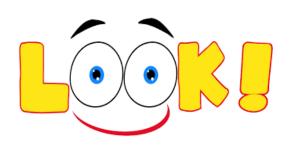




As a part of our enrichment programs to provide our students with outstanding academic opportunities, and real connections to Universities, a group of students from UTS (University of Technology –Sydney) representing 'Engineers Without Borders' and our Science Teachers held a Science day for our Year 7 students. It was a challenging and fun day for all!













Although our P&C are very few in numbers, they do an amazing job at financially supporting our students and staff. The money they raise truly benefits every student as they pay for the purchasing of teacher resources, textbooks, furniture, window blinds etc. making our classrooms all the richer. New parents are very welcome to this group, where you will make a positive difference for all our students. Windsor High School and its P&C would like to thank the following businesses for allowing the selling of raffle tickets in their premises. Thanks goes to Australian Brewery and Lynwood Country Club. Please support these venues as much as you can.

At Windsor High School we have put in place a number of proactive Welfare based programs to help develop each student as an individual. A group of our boys attended The Men of Honour excursion, the purpose of which was to support these boys as they more from being adolescents into the world of adulthood. Positive, inspirational messages presented in an engaging way ensure the boys enjoyed their day. Pitt Town Sports and Windsor RSL

Men of Honour excursion pictured below:





In classrooms across the school, students are working through their curriculum in engaging and meaningful ways, upskilling students in a variety of areas. Yr7 Visual Arts class have finished their self-portraits. They have worked very hard to create a strong likeness and experimented with new materials such as colored wax. Year 8 are in the final stages of making pencil boxes, as they learn about the different ways timber can be joined.



Year 8 Woodwork making their pencil boxes.







Our library continues to encourage students to visit and become engaged in reading, not only as a way to complete assignments, but to develop a love of reading as a past time. The new library book display, with an Alice in Wonderland theme, went up this week, and it's taking over the whole library. Students should make sure they head on in to check it out, surprises await around every corner.











On Tuesday's assembly Ms Thompson's name was drawn from the hat to acknowledge staff who continue to use all of their allocated VIVO points to reward students who are achieving great things.







Congratulations to Joel and McKeeley who were this week's VIVO High Flyers.





Mrs West, Mrs Brice and the students in our Windsor Whispers group (our student written newsletter) have decided to pay back to our community by organising a Christmas gift drive. The staff and students have been asked to bring in items that could be given out on Christmas Day to those who are finding life tough. Hawkesbury Helping Hands will be distributing these gifts at their Christmas Lunch. The initiative was shared with the school with a lively performance from our Santa and his reindeers. There have already been some fantastic donations to our Christmas gift drive!











Year 7 Year advisor award recipients were acknowledged on assembly for their commitment to the schools values of safety, teamwork, achievement and respect. Well Done to these students.



The PD/H/PE faculty also acknowledged students who have been doing extra well in their classes. Congratulations to these students who received their PD/H/PE Faculty awards.



Our SWAT (Student Welfare Action Team) have entered the Telstra Christmas Tree Decorating competition currently being held at Richmond Market Place. We have been lucky enough in the past to win this competition, which comes with a big cheque to the school. Parents, caregivers and family members can help us win by voting- please make sure if you are at the Marketplace you visit Telstra Shop and put in a vote for us- every vote counts!



With most year groups having finished their Yearly examinations, teachers are working into the wee hours at the moment to complete all the marking, collate final assessment marks and write their reports for Years 7 to 11. At these busy times, it is important for our community to realise that although teachers teach their students between 9am and 3.15pm, outside of these hours, teachers are still working hard preparing lessons, meeting curriculum requirements, setting and evaluating assessment tasks, let alone the marking and report writing. I would like to acknowledge how hard the staff at Windsor High School continue to work and say a huge thank you to them as they support your children and our students.

Regards Jennifer Hawken Principal









WEAR A WHITE SHIRT PLEASE ON FRIDAY

# Bring Gold Coin Donation SAUSAGE SIZZLE LUNCH!





## Kids can drown without a sound!



Drowning is a leading cause of death for children under the age of five years. In NSW an average of 13 drowning deaths and 84 non-fatal drowning incidents occurred in children aged 0-17 years in the period 2002 to 2015. Non-fatal incidents can cause permanent damage to the child's brain, heart and lungs. Most parents think they will be able to hear if their child is drowning, but in fact it is very silent and quick.

The 'Kids Can Drown Without a Sound' campaign from Kids Health at The Sydney Children's Hospitals Network 'aims to raise water safety awareness and encourage families to take appropriate precautions when children are in or near water.

#### To help prevent child drowning:

Have a compliant pool barrier that is used correctly and maintained regularly Adult supervision of children (within arm's reach) in and around water is essential Teach children water familiarisation and swimming skills

Learn CPR and remember that any attempt is better than none at all

Recent research reveals that across all ages, people of culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds and newly arrived to Australia are at higher risk of drowning incidents. This is likely to be due to lack of familiarity with water activity and swimming ability in some people.

The 'Kids Can Drown without a Sound!' **resources** are available for download in 17 different languages from the Kids Health website: <a href="http://kidshealth.org.au/inflatable-and-portable-pools">http://kidshealth.org.au/inflatable-and-portable-pools</a> or printed copies for order free of charge from: <a href="http://kidshealth.org.au/resources-order">http://kidshealth.org.au/resources-order</a>
A free **online 'CPR Training for Parents'** is available to teach parents and carers the skills needed to perform basic CPR on a baby or child. It can be accessed via <a href="http://kidshealth.org.au/cpr">http://kidshealth.org.au/cpr</a>





# WINDSOR HIGH SCHOOL



### Providing excellence in Gifted and Talented Education:

- Academic streams with reduced class sizes for gifted and talented students
- Expert teachers with training in effective teaching and learning strategies for gifted and talented students, based on recent research from UNSW
- Extra-curricular and cultural literacy activities to enrich classroom learning



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Want extra help with your homework?

Have an assignment that has you stumped?

Do you need to catch up on missed classwork or assignments?

What about getting some handy study tips?

Windsor High School is holding homework help sessions in the school library.

Staff will be available to help with revision or completing homework and assessment tasks.

You can also use the computers to complete school work and research.

Homework Help sessions can also be used to get up to date in each of your classes if you have outstanding classwork or assessments.

The sessions are available for all year groups and across all subjects.

What: Homework Help

Where: Windsor High School Library

When: Every Tuesday **Time:** 3:30 to 5:00pm

Cost: Nothing, it's completely FREE! Questions: Contact Miss Charles through the school on 4587 7122

## TERM 4 CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2017

24/11	White Ribbon Day	
28/11	D&C Mooting 6 30nm	

28/11 P&C Meeting 6.30pm

30/11 Year 10 Formal

5/12 Orientation Day

8/12 Semester 2 Awards—Period 2

13/12 Presentation Evening

15/12 **LAST DAY OF SCHOOL 2017 & Yr 12 BBQ** 

18/12—19/12 Staff Development Days

#### 2018 NSW School Holidays & Term Dates

Period	Start	Finish
Term 1	Tuesday, 30 January 2018 Wednesday, 31 January 2018	Friday, 13 April 2018
School Holidays	Saturday 14 April 2018	Monday 30 April 2018
Term 2	Tuesday, 1 May 2018	Friday, 6 July 2018
School Holidays	Saturday 7 July 2018	Monday 22 July 2018
Term 3	Tuesday, 24 July 2018	Friday, 28 September 2018
School Holidays	Saturday 29 September 2018	Sunday 14 October 2018
Term 4	Monday, 15 October 2018	Friday, 19 December 2018