

Week 5 Term 1 2023

SAFETY TEAMWORK ACHIEVEMENT RESPECT



After Van Gogh—Nina—Year 9



An increasing amount of information is being sent to our parents and carers via email correspondence. This includes all of our permission notes for excursions and extra-curricular activities so it is essential that parents and carers are checking their emails regularly. If you have changed your email address recently or you are not receiving the emails from Windsor High School, please ensure you provide this information to our Front Office so

that we can update our records.

Mrs Hawken's message at our weekly assembly was about respect and mindfulness of the way we speak to others. Students were reminded that kindness boosts feelings of confidence and happiness and that speaking in such a manner makes our school a positive place. Unfortunately, there have been incidents over the past week where students have not spoken in a respectful manner. For our staff and students, this is a place of learning and a work environment. Students were reminded that it is never acceptable to swear at others, or to call others offensive names. If students continue to speak in a disrespectful manner, they will be dealt with under our school's Discipline Policy.

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We have noticed that some students are bringing speakers to school to play music through. This has caused a number of issues, including the loud volume and content of the music played. These speakers are not to be brought to school and will be confiscated by staff. If confiscated, they will remain at the Front Office until the end of the day.

Some students have been asking other students for money and others have viewed it as being intimidating, particularly for our junior students. We have asked that students bring their own money to school for lunch or order food online through the Flexi Schools App. If students forget their lunch or money, they are able to see a member of staff in the Front Office who will be able to organise food for them. There should be no reason that students are asking other students for money.

At assembly, our newly elected SRC representatives were presented with their badges. We look forward to working with each of these representatives and are interested to see what ideas they come up with throughout the year.



The Year 7 Meet the Teachers BBQ was a fantastic afternoon which was well attended. Students, staff and parents came together to celebrate the success of Year 7 transitioning into high school. It was wonderful to see so many happy faces and to hear the positive feedback from our community. Parents had the opportunity to speak with each of their child's teachers, meet other parents and enjoyed the barbeque and refreshments provided. Thank you to all of those who attended the evening and we look forward to working with you over the next 6 years.











Our Year 12 Fast Forward Conference students immersed themselves into university life at Western Sydney University (Parramatta South Campus). This gave them ideas of the opportunities and courses on offer for them as they complete their HSC.







Some things are just better when done together! Some of MC1 joined MC2 for their cooking lesson. Look at these delicious chocolate dipped strawberries they made as part of their Food Technology unit - 'Simple Desserts'.



MC1 enjoyed turning liquids into solids during their science lesson throughout the week.







Students attended the NSW DoE Arts Unit Aboriginal Dance Workshop. It has been a fun and challenging day of dance combining traditional and contemporary styles to tell the story of brolgas. They also feature on ABC iView after starring on Tuesday night's news segment.



On Tuesday this week, our girls and boys soccer teams competed in the Macquarie Cup tournament. Both teams were up against some strong competition in their draws, but did exceptionally well against Colo, Rouse Hill and Kellyville. Some great team goals scored across both sides but unfortunately not enough to progress onto the final. Last minute photos of some of the players on a very hot afternoon!





Year 10 Food Technology baked a gluten free upside down apple cake as part of their Food for Specific Needs unit of work. Students were surprised that it was delicious.











Year 12 Hospitality's recipe of the week is crumbed camembert served with handmade beetroot relish. Ms Khalid decided that next time we should use halloumi, we all agreed.





A big thank you to Kellyville Lions Club for their generous donation to our school. Thanks to Paul and Jayne Campbell who came and presented the cheque to the school.



Our two Year 11 Hospitality classes are focused on presentation techniques. Each student ensured their toasted ham, tomato and cheese on sourdough was exactly the same. They sure look impressive, well done.





A reminder that our PCYC Fit for Life Program is running each Wednesday morning in the school gym. These fun, active sessions run from 7.30am-8.30am and are run by South Windsor PCYC, with a number of Windsor High School staff members attending too. Any student wishing to be involved in the program is very welcome.

Warm Regards
Jane Lidbury
Acting Deputy Principal

Welcome to the 2023 school year from your P&C

Our friendly meetings are the 4th Tuesday of each month during term. **The next P&C meeting is Tue 28 February**. They are held in the Support Unit from 6:30pm. You are welcome to bring your children with you if necessary. Students provide valuable input and we have had student representation on the P&C for several years.

Do you have ideas on how to make WHS a better experience for your children? Please come along and tell us. Nothing is too trivial, and all ideas are discussed.

In 2023, your P&C have three major fundraising events planned.

- "Fashion Exchange" is a Windsor High School initiative supporting the environment and promoting fashion sustainability which is encouraged by our students. The dates for this year are Sat 3 March and Sat 2 Sept. Fashion Exchange is a used clothing market and gives the Hawkesbury and extended western Sydney area a venue for this social enterprise activity.
- Family Trivia is scheduled for Sat 24 June at Windsor RSL. The funds raised from this event support students via STAR scholarships offered at the end of each year by the school. This is a family centred event with activities for all ages.
- The Car Show is held on the third Sunday of Oct each year. This year being 15 Oct. It is held on the school grounds and is our major fundraiser for the year. This activity also raises the school's profile in the community.

During Covid, the P&C successfully applied for several grants, two of which have recently been completed.

- The QEII Platinum Jubilee Garden hedge was installed near the staff car park with varieties of grevillea and banksia to provide attractiveness and a source of food for wildlife.
- A Bendigo Bank grant enabled the installation of outdoor gym equipment on the oval near the basketball courts. This community support means your students have access to the best WHS and its P&C can offer.

We hold 2 Bunnings BBQ's each year. The funds from the BBQ are used to cover costs associated with the car show. Our first BBQ for 2023 is Sat 29 April. We will put out a call for assistance closer to the date.

We look forward to seeing you at our meetings or at one of these events. If you have any questions, please contact the P&C president Justin jmdacey@exemail.com.au 0414 702 749

Science News

Welcome to another year of Science at Windsor High School.

Year 7

Year 7 are currently enjoying their start to Science in High School. They have been learning about what scientists do, the equipment used in the laboratory, how to be safe in the lab and gaining their Bunsen burner licences.

Year 8

Year 8 have been exploring about all the different types of forces, where they occur in everyday life and how they affect the way we live on the Earth. With the current stormy season, students have been able to link static electricity to thunder and lightning in the atmosphere.

Year 9

Year 9 have been learning the types of heat transfer and how heat moves through solids, liquids and gases. This has been related to the heating of objects in and outside of the home. We have also started learning about the different types of waves and how they move through the Earth. Classes have been creating models such as the gummy bear wave model to demonstrate how transverse waves move.



Year 10

Year 10 have studied the requirements for life and what functions the body needs complete in order to survive. They are looking at how gases and wastes are transported and removed from the body and what occurs if these substances remain in our organs and tissues. They have also been examining the importance of the nervous system and how messages travel through the body. Students have been conducting experiment to test their own reaction times and how different parts of their body have different sensitivities.

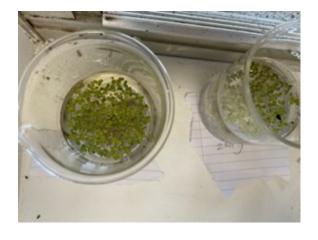
Year 11

BIOLOGY

Year 11 Biology are currently working though their first topic on Biological Diversity (a unit designed around ecology) which looks at how Earth's biodiversity can be affected slowly or quickly over time by natural selective pressures, and how this all related to the Theory of Evolution by Natural Selection. The class is off to Longneck Lagoon Education Centre to complete some of their Depth Study hours collecting first-hand data into the effects of selection pressures on the microbat population in Scheyville National Park. Students will collect aquatic and terrestrial data to be used to complete their first assessment task for the year.

EARTH & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE

Year 11 Earth and Environmental Science have engaged in the importance of water including some of the issues the Earth is experiencing and how we can minimise and conserve water for the future. They are currently undertaking an experiment to determine the effect of fertilizer on algae growth and how increases in fertilizer can affect our waterways.





Year 12

BIOLOGY

Year 12 Biology are progressing through their 2nd topic for their Year 12 Course on Genetic Change. Students are learning about natural and human-induced causes and effects of genetic change including mutations, environmental pressures, and the uses of biotechnology. They are applying knowledge learned from their last topic of Heredity to the processes of inheritance and evolution to further their understanding. Students will be off to Sydney Zoo in Week 8 to explore how the zoo is working to ensure the genetic diversity of different species and the work being done to conserve the species, in terms of gene flow, gene pools and selective/captive breeding programs.

EARTH & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE

Year 12 Earth and Environmental Science students have just concluded their module on Natural Disasters, where they were learning the cause and effects of earthquakes, volcanoes and meteorological hazards. They have also researched the newest technologies used to predict and minimise the effects of these hazards. They will begin their next module on Earth's processes where they will study the formation of the Earth including the atmosphere and lithosphere and how they have been continually changing, each influencing the other.

PHYSICS

Year 12 Physics is working towards the unit Electromagnetism. They are enthusiastically working on the hands-on experiences on the topics of Electric fields and magnetic fields in which they are focusing on Faraday's laws, Lenz laws and eddy currents. They were excited to relate these phenomena to their day-to-day use of devices. They successfully worked on their 2nd assessment task, which was a depth study and they made working models of a household appliance that operates using the principles of electromagnetism. All the models were impressive and students were able to create a short interview about their making of the model. They are looking forward to the learning of motors and generators which will be a great hands-on activity for them.

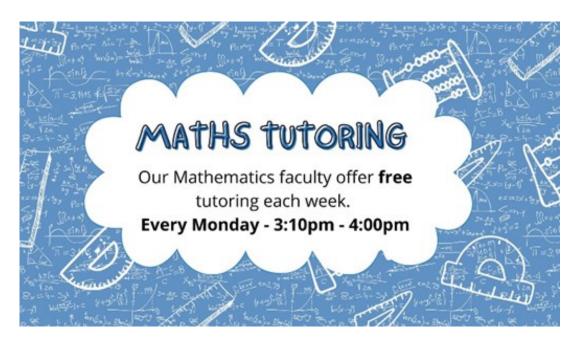


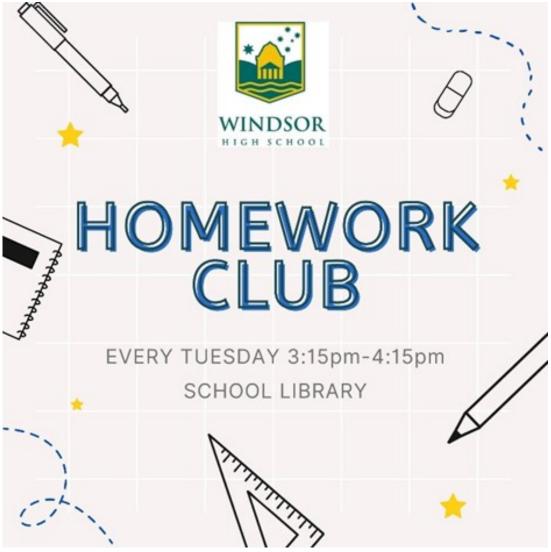






It is important to remember the significance of leather shoes in practical subjects and we thank those families who have purchased leather shoes. This allows us to conduct the compulsory first-hand investigations required by the Department of Education as part of the Science syllabus. If you require assistance in purchasing a pair of leather shoes, please contact the front office.







SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS Main Day – Friday 10th March Catch Up Session – Thursday 30th March

Dear Parents/Caregivers

School photographs will take place on **Friday 10th March**. Junior students are expected to wear their everyday green polo school shirt and seniors are to wear their white shirts to participate in the school photographs. All students will have their portrait taken, irrespective of whether an order will be placed.

The company ADVANCED LIFE photographers have been engaged again for this year's photographs. The information envelope has been issued with this note and the costs are outlined on the flyer located in the envelope.

It is preferred that the photo packages are ordered and paid for online BEFORE the photo day. Students are to bring their envelope and correct money <u>on the day ONLY, if they have NOT ordered online.</u> Students must hand the payment envelopes directly to the photographers on the day. For online payments, please go to <u>www.advancedlife.com.au</u> and enter the 9 digit online ordering code found on the front of the order form.

Students that have not yet provided permission to publish their photographs to the school will **NOT** be included in their year's group photobook unless parents/carers provide written permission prior to the day to Mrs Birch.

This year, students in **ALL** year groups will be issued with a student ID card. The card will have a barcode for use within the school. All students will be photographed for the ID cards even if they do not order a photo package.

Students that wish to have a sibling photo taken MUST obtain a special sibling photo information envelope from the front office. Orders are to be completed online at www.advancedlife.com.au and enter the 9 digit online ordering code found on the front of the sibling envelope. Online ordering for sibling photographs closes at 11:59 pm on Thursday 9th March, 2023

Students who are absent on the day will have the opportunity to have their individual photo taken on **Thursday 30th March 2023**.

Jennifer Hawken Principal

Windsor High School

Nicole Birch

School Photographer Organiser



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school photographs are coming up soon



Please note: Traditional, Composite or High-Resolution Virtual Group format is chosen by your school. Sibling photos, if available, can also be ordered online and must be ordered prior to your photo day. A late fee will apply for photos purchased after ordering has

how to order

order online

Online payment options include Visa, Mastercard and PayPal. Alternatively, you can choose to pay over 10 weeks using LatitudePay.

STEP 1

Go to www.advancedlife.com.au on your computer, phone or tablet.

STEP 2

Enter your school code:

DH4 RP3 BLD

in the 'order and download' box. This will take you to your school's secure online ordering site.



STEP 3

Click on 'Order Photos' and complete your details and procedures. During this process you can place orders for additional children at your school and sibling photos, if available







cash/envelope ordering

Your school prefers orders to be placed online. However, if you are unable to order online, please complete your order using the order envelope provided.

STEP 1

Complete a separate order envelope for each individual child's package/s ordered. If ordering for more than one child, payment should be enclosed in the envelope of the eldest child and this should be indicated on the envelope of the other child/children (the envelope that does not have cash enclosed).

STEP 2

Enclose exact cash payment in one envelope for the package/s you are ordering. Payment for more than one child should be in the eldest child's envelope and marked at the bottom of the envelope in the space provided.

STEP 3

Return your completed envelope/s, with correct cash payment, to our photographers on the day.

Please note: You must enclose exact correct payment, as change is not available. Credit card payments can only be made online and we no longer accept cheques. There is a separate envelope for sibling photo orders, should your school choose to offer sibling photos.

School photographs will be returned approximately 6 weeks after the day of photography.

Please note this delivery timeframe is dependant on proofing and additional photography days at your school.

IMPORTANT - "not for publication" students

If you have instructed your school that your child's image is "not for publication" (sometimes called "do not publish" or "not for media release" instructions), the school will ensure that your child is not presented to our photographers on photo day and school photographs will not be available for purchase. If you wish to change your instruction, then you must notify your school, so they change their records and identify your child as able to be photographed for school photography purposes. All students presented to our photographers by your school on photo day will be photographed, their images will appear in school photography packages with their fellow students and these packages will be available to purchase by all families.

Contact us: www.advancedlife.com.au/contact





Windsor High School

OPEN DAY

Tuesday 28th February 2023 5:00pm - 7:30pm

Our Principal, Mrs. Jennifer
Hawken, and our school leaders will
meet visitors at the school hall at 5
pm, followed by a tour of the
school in small groups.

Parents and students of the Hawkesbury community are invited to come and learn about the great facilities and wideranging opportunities that are currently available at Windsor High School. This will be particularly relevant to parents of primary-school-age children who are making the decision as to which high school they will enrol in the future, as well as families of students new to Windsor High.

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HAWKESBURY CITY COUNCIL

Hawkesbury City Council is preparing a Social Infrastructure Strategy. The purpose of the Strategy is to guide decisions about the planning, delivery, funding and management of open spaces, sporting and recreation facilities, community, cultural, and creative facilities as well as the places that community can gather and connect.

We invite you to attend a community workshop session to share your insights and ideas about why community facilities, recreational and sporting venues, parks, and open spaces are important to the Hawkesbury community and what is required to meet the needs of the growing Hawkesbury community. These sessions are also an opportunity to find out more about the Social Infrastructure Strategy development. Register via the Eventbrite link https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/hawkesbury-social-infrastructure-strategy-tickets-548115727897] to attend one of the following workshop sessions:

Thursday 2 March 2023: 6pm-7.30pm at Hawkesbury Leisure and Learning Centre (114 March Street, Richmond NSW 2753)

Tuesday 7 March 2023: 6pm-7.30pm (online)

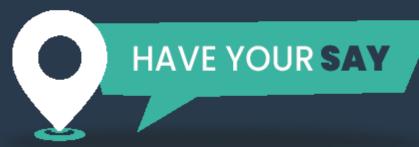
Wednesday 15 March 2023: 6pm-7.30pm at the Tebutt Room, Deerubbin Centre (300 George Street, Windsor NSW 2756)

The workshops are one way that the local community can provide their feedback. If you can't attend a workshop, you can complete the online survey https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HawkesburySocial or visit one of the community pop ups on Tuesday 28 February, Saturday 11 March, Sunday 12 March and Saturday 18 March (various locations, dates, and times available via Council's website).

Your feedback is critical to inform the final strategy and ensure that the local community experience and knowledge is part of how we plan, deliver, and manage social infrastructure across the Hawkesbury.

To learn more about the strategy or if you have any questions about the project, please contact the Hawkesbury City Council via (02)4560 4444 or council@hawkesbury.nsw.gov.au.

COMMUNITY POP UPS



Hawkesbury City Council is currently developing a new Social Infrastructure Strategy that will guide future decisions about the planning, delivery, funding and management of open spaces, sporting and recreation facilities, and community, and cultural facilities.

To inform the preparation of the strategy, we want to hear from you. Council will be holding **six community pop ups** at various locations to help gather your feedback.

Community pop ups will be held at:

- Tuesday, 28 February | 2:30pm-4pm
 Glossodia Community Centre (162 Golden Valley Drive, Glossodia)
- Saturday, 11 March | 9am-12noon
 Richmond Swim Centre (171 East Market Street, Richmond)
- Sunday, 12 March | 9:30am-12noon
 St Albans Village Markets (2 Wharf Street, St Albans)
- Sunday, 12 March | 11am-2pm
 George Street Mall, Windsor (area in front of the Fitzroy Pub)
- Saturday, 18 March | 9:30am-11am
 Wilberforce Shopping Centre (King Road, Wilberforce)
- Saturday, 18 March | 1:30pm-3pm
 Pitt Town & District Sports Club (139 Old Pitt Town Road, Pitt Town)



Additionally, you can provide your feedback online. Scan the QR code and fill in the survey by **20 March 2023**

For more information visit yourhawkesbury-yoursay.com.au/hsis









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CALENDAR TERM 1 2023

Tuesday 28th February 2023	Open Night 5pm-7.30pm
Saturday 4th March 2023	P&C Fashion Exchange
Friday 10th March 2023	School Photos
Monday 13th March 2023	Zone Swimming Carnival
Wednesday 15th March to Monday 27th March 2023	NAPLAN
Friday 17th March 2023	Bullying No Way Day
Tuesday 21st March 2023	Harmony Day
Thursday 30th March 2023	School Photos Catch up Day
Wednesday 5th April 2023	Cross Country
Thursday 6th April 2023	Last Day Term 1
Wednesday 26th April 2023	First Day Term 2