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Wagga Wagga Christian College

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BY PHILLIP WILSON, PRINCIPAL

Dear Chronicle readers,

I am so very proud of our community! Open Day was amazing, and a great example of how strong we are when we work together. I know many of you supported by coming along, and I saw students proudly showing their classrooms to parents, aunts, uncles, grandparents, and friends. There was a steady group of people coming to see performances and I enjoyed meeting some new families. If you didn't get to attend I would encourage you to start setting aside some time next year to join us as it gives a little insight into what is happening in our rooms every day. The music, the displays, the tours, and the chance to meet the teachers was outstanding, and it was more of a celebration of what we do, and who we are. I am sincerely appreciative of the people who set aside time and energy to help set up and run the day.



Did you hear about our National Champions?

On Saturday we were able to finally tell our Community that one of our student activity groups are Australian Champions in the Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics challenge that involved 4x4 model cars. This humble team designed a car to tackle obstacles; worked with sponsors and experts; designed logos and uniforms; and coped with the media attention. We are proud of them for using their initiative and skills. Plus we are proud of the way they would welcome new members and interested spectators every chance they could. Well done to everyone involved!

I need your help!

Over the next few weeks we are starting the process of 2022 enrolments and I encourage you to help neighbours and friends find out more about how special our College is. I also need your help by you meeting some of the new families - I'm sure they would appreciate getting to know some new friends. If you have some time during the week I know we have teachers who would also love some help from parents willing to just sit in the classroom and read with the children during the day. Please contact the College office if you can help with either of these important things.

Our busy term continues with parent/teacher interviews, formal assemblies, evacuation drills, excursions, exams, and the wonderful daily learning and play opportunities. I know it can sometimes seem an unending list, but before long we'll be reflecting on the importance of Easter and enjoy a short time of rest. Until then I know the staff will keep doing their best to care and educate your children. And as I mentioned at the start of this Principal's report I am so very proud of what we do, and your part in it.

Again thank you for your involvement with the College.

Phillip Wilson

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Phillip Wilson
PRINCIPAL

PRAYING TOGETHER

Give thanks for

- A great Open Day season
- Our wonderful people who give so freely to make our events a success.

Pray for

- All those who have made contact with us about possible future enrolments at the College.
- Families as they reconnect after a year of physical distancing.



A WORD FROM THE HEAD OF JUNIOR SCHOOL



Autumn has arrived!

The artwork in the Junior School classrooms is outstanding - expressing imagination and using techniques which inspire and challenge the students.

As Autumn emerges Mr Chapman is working with his Year 3 class, refining their paintbrush technique and exploring different ways you can depict a tree, all with the aim of creating some autumn artwork. The class were encouraged to study plants they were caring for in the garden for inspiration as they tackled the development of the composition of the tree trunk.

"Consider the structure of the marigolds we planted in our garden as you shape your tree trunk and branches."

Mr David Chapman

TRAVELLING AROUND AUSTRALIA

A journey with Year 2, by Miss Brooke Scriven

Year 2 have celebrated their learning about Australia with an afternoon tea based around their focus text, *Possum Magic*, by Mem Fox. 2S and 2P sent invitations and responses back and forth to invite each other to the party. Students were involved in organising the party and created 'Possum Magic' themed bunting to mark the celebration.

On the day, the classes enjoyed a shared reading of the book, practising their expression and identifying rhyme and rhythm in the story. Students then 'travelled' to the different Australian states and capital cities to collect food tokens, following the route of the possums around Australia in the narrative. The students swapped their tokens for a vegemite sandwich, Anzac biscuit, Minties, a piece of pavlova and a lamington! At the party, students gifted their invitee with a handmade party favour, an Australian animal mask. To complete the activity, classes wrote letters of appreciation to each other to thank them for their attendance. The students enjoyed sharing their love of literature and Australian geography together!

Keep an eye on Facebook this week for more images of this wonderful event.

"You are warmly invited to a Possum Magic Party."

Excerpt from the 2S party invitation





A WORD FROM THE HEAD OF MIDDLE SCHOOL



CATCHING UP

Thank you to the many families and friends who took the time to visit us on Saturday at our Open Day. It was so lovely to be able to see families enjoying being on the College site, exploring the classrooms and catching up with teachers and friends. A number of people commented to me on how much they had particularly missed hearing the students performing in the various bands and ensembles. It was wonderful to be reminded of the amazing talents our students have.

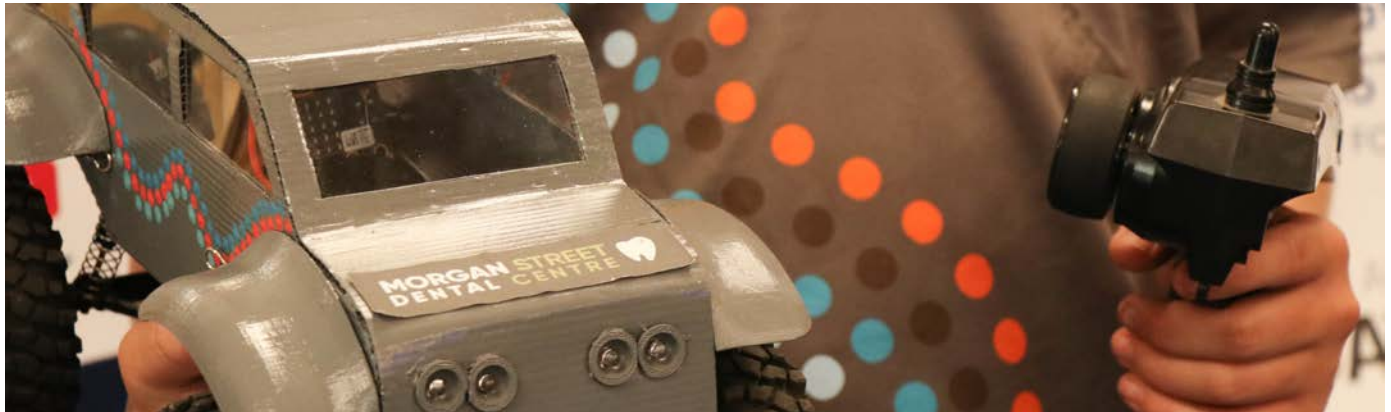
Last year, due to Covid restrictions, I missed catching up with one of my favourite people. Every year since I started at the College, the Year 7 class and I have enjoyed a visit from Mr David Kennedy who represents the Gideon's Society. He is passionate about putting the word of God into the hands of young people and loves visiting us here at the College. Because he was unable to come on site last year, we had a catch up visit last week and students in both Year 7 and Year 8 were given their pocket testaments. Mr Kennedy was joined this year by Mr David Shultz (close friend of the College and much love grandparent of current students).

"David is passionate about putting the word of God into the hands of young people and loves visiting us here at the College."
Miss Heather Mansley





A WORD FROM THE HEAD OF SENIOR SCHOOL



SafeT360

Caring for our students at school or on the road. Year 10, 11 and 12 students had the opportunity last week to experience a simulated truck cabin - getting at times a bird's eye view of how trucks behave when turning or braking. The students had fun with virtual reality simulators and quizzes while also gaining an understanding of the differences between driving a car and driving a truck. [Prime 7](#) (8mins 15secs in) and the [Daily Advertiser](#) captured the day.



NATIONAL CHAMPIONS

Four College Senior Students are the STEM Australian Champions, winners of the 2020 National 4x4 in Schools Technology Challenge. Amy Combs, Jye Hefren, Sarah Dutton and Caleb Hefren have worked as a team for almost a year, constructing and modifying an autonomous vehicle, learning and using skills in electronics, coding, robotics, 3D printing and graphic design to build and market a remotely operating off-road vehicle.

The team have developed their skills in programs such as Arduino, Adobe Illustrator and InDesign, Micro:bit, and Fusion 360 which will be transferable across a wide variety of subject areas.

The College and Wagga Community have been extremely supportive of this student led team, offering great learning opportunities through mentorships from Brad Jones Racing in Albury and Snap Printing Wagga. Support from Wagga City Council gave encouragement to the team in their communication with each other and the wider community, while team sponsors allowed the team to gather resources to support their final competition submission.

Middle and Senior Students are welcome to investigate the opportunities available in the Design and Technology room, with lunchtime STEM groups available focusing on a range of different areas including lego robotics and submarine design.

The technology students had an extra boost last week with the addition of a laser cutter to their classroom resources.

"The breadth of resources available to students in the technology room continues to grow with a myriad of different opportunities available to students with an interest in technology."

Mr David Crick, Head of TAS

Find out more about 4x4 in Schools [here](#). The [Daily Advertiser](#) and [Prime 7](#) (at 12mins 46secs) also recorded the great win!



SPORTS NEWS

Last week, 39 College students travelled to Orange for the CSSA (Christian Schools Sports Association) Zone Carnival for a wonderful day of swimming. We were blessed with perfect weather and perfect students. Our competitors ranging from Years 3 - 12 represented the College superbly both in and out of the pool. Some noticeable standouts include:

- Jones Russell, Year 6, who won all his events and broke the boys 50m fly record by 2 seconds, swimming it in 36.9 seconds;
- Holly Jobson, in her final year;
- William (Year 10) and Amy Carmichael (Year 7) taking out all their individual events;
- Liam Robinson, Year 4, was also a standout, winning all but one of the events he entered and swimming up an age in the relay.

Overall, 25 students qualified for State and we wish them all the best. The College placed 2nd overall in Secondary and 3rd in the Primary, which is an awesome effort considering the distance the competitors travelled and the fewer numbers who attended.

The College is extremely proud of all the students who represented our school.



OPEN GIRLS LEAGUE TAG

Last Friday Senior girls had a great time participating in the Open Girls League Tag. Increasing in confidence with each game the girls displayed excellent sportsmanship - encouraging each other in the games, celebrating successes, cheering on other teams and supporting other schools through the day with chasing runaway gazebos and approaching the day with servant hearts.

For some, learning the new terms of 'drawing' and 'hit ups' was part of the experience. Special mention to the try scorers: Becky, Millie and Senna and to Bree who converted all but one of the tries and was ultimately voted Player of the Team by popular vote.

The girls won two out of their five games.

"We learnt that communication across the team was key to a successful game."

Hannah T. Year 11



CSSA SOCCER TRYOUTS

Thank you to parent Danny Russell for taking some keen Stage 3 boys to the CSSA (Christian Schools Sports Association) Soccer tryouts in Sydney last Friday. The boys, Jesse, Jones and Max, competed in a series of trial games and ultimately were selected for the 'Possibles and Probables' game late in the day.

Congratulations to Max Lawson for being selected in the CSSA Primary Soccer side, while Jones Russell is a 'shadow', ready to step in if someone falls sick or gets injured.

Well done boys!



TRIATHLON AT THE ROCK

The College community were strong supporters of The Rock Triathlon last Sunday with a number of students and their families participating. Junior School students Zoe and Zara, Harvey and Georgie participated in the Subjunior events, while Polly, Charlotte, Jones and Elsie were in the Junior race. Congratulations to Amy in Year 11 for taking 1st place for the under 19 years women in the Sprint and Jackson in Year 12 for placing 5th overall.

"It was hard but I really enjoyed doing all the different legs of the event - running, swimming and biking."

Elsie Year 9

"I now have a goal to improve my running. Mum suggested I take my dog for a run to help improve my times."

Charlotte Year 4

College Students have the opportunity to participate in the CSSA Triathlon in late March. Contact Mr Cunningham for more information.

DIARY DATES

MARCH

- 10 CWWHSSA GIRLS TOUCH FOOTBALL COMPETITION - SEMIS
- 10 SCHOOLS MERINO WETHER CHALLENGE JERILDERIE
- 15 D&T POWERHOUSE EXCURSION - SENIOR SCHOOL
- 17 PAUL KELLY CUP - PRIMARY AFL COMPETITION
- 19-21 ASTROCAMP
- 24 REROC RIVERINA LEADERSHIP FORUM
- 30 CSSA STATE SECONDARY SWIMMING CARNIVAL

APRIL

- 1 TERM 1 ENDS
- 19 TERM 2 BEGINS
- 30 RUGBY UNION GALA DAY - BOYS YEARS 5 & 6
- 30 SENIOR FIRST AID COURSE - YEAR 11 PDHPE

CHECK DIARY DATES ON THE WEBSITE FOR FULL INFORMATION ON THESE EVENTS



ASTRO CAMP 2021, MARCH 19-21

LET'S GO SEE THE STARS.

Astro Camp celebrates God's creation, focusing on astrophotography.

THREE MILE DAM
ALL STUDENTS WELCOME.
KI - YR 6 MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A PARENT.

Click here for a link to the Activity note
and for further info contact Dr John Sewell,
Science Faculty Coordinator
via the College Office on 6923 8888.

Parent Teacher

22 & 23 March

interviews

WWCC SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP

THURSDAYS

3PM - 4PM

TERM TIME

You are welcome
to donate second
hand uniforms to
the Uniform Shop
by dropping them
at the College
Office. Thank you!

Please use the
QR code
to sign in
prior to
entering TLA
Foyer

Volunteers wanted!

*We are looking for some help manning the
Uniform Shop. Would you be willing to go on a
roster to help out once or twice a term?*

Please contact Community on
community@wwcc.nsw.edu.au



DEFENCE SCHOOL MENTOR

Wednesday Walkers!

**Every Wednesday from 9:15 AM
for Defence parents and carers.**

**Meet at Lake Albert,
across from the dog park.**

**A sneaky coffee afterwards at
Little Cup Cafe, Koorringal.**

DEFENCE CLUB

SAVE *the* DATES

DEFENCE FORCE STUDENTS

WELCOME BACK!

LUNCH SESSIONS

24 . 03 . 21 Kindergarten

10 . 03 . 21 Senior School

VENUE: TLA FOYER



PARENTS! JOIN YOUR CHILD'S YEAR FACEBOOK PAGE

COMING SOON
UPDATED FACEBOOK
PAGES FOR EACH YEAR
GROUP.

KEEP AN EYE OUT FOR
MORE INFORMATION

A GREAT WAY TO
KEEP IN CONTACT
WITH OTHER
PARENTS
AND CARERS

SEARCH BASED ON
THE YEAR YOUR
CHILD FINISHES
YEAR 12

"WWCC CLASS OF
20..."

PRESCHOOL

KINDERGARTEN 2033

YEAR 1 3032

YEAR 2 2031

YEAR 3 2030

YEAR 4 2029

YEAR 5 2028

YEAR 6 2027

Year 1 Family Meet & Greet BBQ!

Friday, March 19

Where: Wagga Beach

When: 4:30 PM-6:30 PM

RSVP Emma 0417 435 784

BYO food and drinks



It is important that we abide by the
NSW Health Guidelines by practising social distancing



ARE YOU INTERESTED IN PLAYING NETBALL WITH YOUR SCHOOL FRIENDS?

For all enquiries re indoor and
outdoor netball teams

We are looking for players from
Kindergarten upwards, boys and girls.

Contact Claire Buchtmann
mum of Hannah (Yr 8) and Sophie (Yr 6)

Claire 0416 051 167



WAGGA COMMUNITY NEWS



"Football4All"
Soccer for kids and
adults with
Special Needs



We are an NSW
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approved club,
apply for a \$100
voucher for each
student enrolled in
school.

Now in its 8th year, Football4All Wagga Wagga welcomes all school aged students
and adults with a disability to come and participate in a Team sport.

For further information check out our Facebook Page,

email us at: football4allwagga@gmail.com

or call: Luci 0407295275

When: Registration, Saturday 27th March, 2021 - Juniors (1.00pm) and Seniors (2.00pm)

Where: Duke of Kent Oval, 30 Shaw Street, Wagga

Regular games start: Saturday 24th April - times TBA



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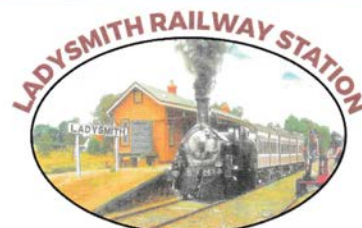
featuring:
Beethoven Piano Concerto no 3 in C Minor with soloist,
Maria Tynan - 2021 Ray King Scholarship winner

7:30pm Saturday 27th March, 2021

Wagga Wagga Civic Theatre

\$35 adult | \$25 conc./student | \$15 child (12yrs & under)

Tickets: Wagga Civic Box Office - www.civictheatre.com.au 69269688



You are invited to join in the
**CENTENARY CELEBRATION
of the opening of the**

WAGGA WAGGA TO TUMBARUMBA RAILWAY LINE IN MARCH 1921

The Celebration will be held at the Ladysmith Railway
Station on sat. 13th 9:00 am to 4:00 pm & Sun. 14th 9:00 am to 3:00 pm MARCH.
THE OFFICIAL OPENING of the Celebrations will be at 1 pm on Saturday by Joe McGirr MP

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BLACKSMITH • TRACTOR DISPLAY • VINTAGE and CLASSIC CAR DISPLAY
MODEL TRAIN • HISTORIC MUSEUM DISPLAY • LIGHT HORSE DISPLAY
WOOD WORKER • BICYCLE DISPLAY • STEAM ENGINES
RAILWAY TRIKES and FETTLER DEMONSTRATIONS**



Singer song writer Owen Blundell will be performing Saturday between 10:00 am & 12:30 pm.
Singer song writer John & Christine Smith be performing Sunday between 10:00 am & 12:30 pm.

GOLD COIN ENTRY

A COVID-19 Plan will operate with a need for all attending to sign in on arrival.
For further information contact Mark Pottie on mobile 0458 538 919 or email m.w.pottie@gmail.com
or Wally Bell on mobile 0458 263 443



WAGGA COMMUNITY NEWS

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EMPOWERMENT THROUGH MOVEMENT WORKSHOP PRESENTED BY BINDI BOSSES

Mon 12 April // 10am to 12pm // \$15
Wagga Wagga Civic Theatre
Get your tickets now: civictheatre.com.au

Full program details:
wagga.nsw.gov.au/fresh | 1300 100 122

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DANCE THROUGH INDIA WORKSHOP PRESENTED BY BINDI BOSSES

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NO LIGHTS NO LYCRA FREE-FORM DANCE SESSION

Sat 10 April // 8.30am to 9.30am // Free
Wagga Wagga Art Gallery
Book now: events.humanitix.com/nlnl

Full program details:
wagga.nsw.gov.au/fresh | 1300 100 122

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'AND ANOTHER THING' curated by Alexander Gow (Oh Mercy) AN INTRODUCTION INTO BETTER LYRIC WRITING WITH LAURA JEAN

Sat 24 April // 9am to 11am // \$15
Wagga Wagga Art Gallery
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Full program details:
wagga.nsw.gov.au/fresh | 1300 100 122