

Term 2 Week 2

6th May



# Wauchope High School Newsletter

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## Calendar of events

Tuesday 10th –12th May	NAPLAN testing
Thursday 12th May	Police talk on One Punch Legislation
Tuesday 17th May	Australian Geography Competition
Tuesday 17th May	Science & Engineering Challenge
Wednesday 18th May	Athletics Carnival

Welcome back to the start of Term 2. Our Staff Development Day at the beginning of the term saw staff actively engage in professional learning which is building their ability to deliver the highest quality of Literacy Learning strategies available. The staff worked closely with our literacy mentor and expert to build their skills in assisting all students to achieve improved outcomes regardless of their current literacy levels.

### Commemorating ANZAC

The 25<sup>th</sup> April saw the school and the Wauchope community recognise and remember the legacy left to us all by the ANZACs. The school held its remembrance service on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April with the students showing a great deal of respect and understanding for the role of all servicemen and women past and present. The school also showed a very strong presence at the Dawn Service and the mid-morning service with our School Captains, Chloe Houseman and Dean Hollis and Vice Captains, Samantha Mead and James Scott playing a significant role in these local community services.

Congratulations to all those students who actively participated in the school cross-country last Friday. There were some outstanding performances from a number of students who will now have an opportunity to test their skills against students from other schools.

### Cumberland

The Wauchope V Cumberland Interschool Competition will take place at the end of this term. It is our turn to travel to Cumberland and I am sure the Cumberland team will be keen to try and regain the Parson's Shield which we managed to wrestle back from them last year. This is a great experience for our students and I seek your support in ensuring that all students work towards being considered eligible for inclusion on the team by maintaining their high attendance rates and ensure that all school work and assessment tasks are completed and submitted on time throughout the term and the remainder of the year.

Next week will see a number of changes to the numbering of our School Bus services. While the routes that the buses take will not change – the actual number of the bus to catch may be different. While I know this will create some confusion for a couple of days, all students have now been issued with letters from Busways explaining the changes to bus numbers and we will work to ensure that students catch the correct bus of an afternoon. Please contact Busways if you have any issues or concerns relating to these changes.

Glen Sawle  
Principal





## ANZAC Commemorations at Wauchope High School

On the 8<sup>th</sup> April all students attended an ANZAC day commemoration service at the school. The ceremony was run by Georgia Malcolm, with our Captains, Chloe Houseman, Dean Hollis and Vice-Captain, James Scott reading the ANZAC message and Tamika Cordell reading the Ode. Each year the RSL sponsors an ANZAC competition and the winners this year were Tamika Cordell and Sam Duck. These students presented their speeches to the school body during the ceremony. Josh Hughes was also instrumental behind the scenes ensuring the music was played at the appropriate times. The choir sounded wonderful leading the school in the National Anthem. Members of the Wauchope RSL sub-Branch, Mr Des Hancock and Bill Wagner and our Federal Member, Dr David Gillespie were also in attendance and added to the ceremony with various contributions. A big thanks to all students and staff involved in this event.





## ANZAC Day March



Further to the School's ANZAC commemoration, more than 30 students joined the School to march from the RSL to the Library, despite the poor weather. Our Captain's Chloe and Dean read an address at Dawn Service and our Vice Captains, Sam and James, read a prayer at the 11 am service. Such participation in a community event is a positive reflection of our community spirit. Well done!





## Theatresports Wars 2016

There's no doubt that Theatresports is one of the best nights of the year at Wauchope High School. Lucky for me I got to be the timekeeper! There were so many funny moments, like when the teams were playing Expert Double Figures (where you have someone else's arms ) and Emily got drenched in water. Or when Sarah was made to eat a tissue! I laughed especially hard when Chelsea-Lea went to kick an imaginary soccer ball and fell right on her bottom!

All the teams were really, really good but the "Chicken Nuggets" took it out. Congratulations to Chelsea-Lea , Abby , Ella-Jai and Mikayla . Can't wait for next year!

10yr old Lennox Jensen reporting.

Watch this space for our up and coming production. DINKUM ASSORTED!: Friday 24th and Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> of June.







**Back Row:** Matt Taylor (Coach), Maddi, Breanna, Stella, Lacey, Chloe, Georgia, Natalie, Cheyenne, Kayley, Paris. **Front Row:** Holly, Samantha, Maddi, Tori, Shikira

On Monday April 4 the U14's and U16's Girl's rugby teams travelled to Taree for a 7 a side rugby Gala Day. A number of the girls had never played rugby before but had been training hard.

The U14's won two of their three games defeating Great Lakes College 30-10, St Clare's High School Taree 55-0 and going down to St Joseph's Regional 15-25.

The U16's won three from three defeating Great Lakes College 25-15, St Joseph's Regional 20-0 and McKillop College 45-5.

All in all a very successful day scoring 190 points for and only having 55 points scored against us.

Best for the U14's were Holly, Shikira and Breanna. Best for the U16's were Samantha, Maddi, Tori and Chloe.

On Thursday May 5 the U16's (with girls from U14's and U16's) were in Coffs Harbour for the Regional Championships to play for the right to represent the North Coast at the State Championships in Sydney later in the year.

Thanks to those parents and family members who supported us at Taree. A huge thank you to our Manager Matt Goddard who prepared the gear for the game and washed the jerseys with help from Rachael O'Brien and Paul.

### Girls Open Soccer Round 3 Success

The team travelled to Kempsey to face Melville High School on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> April. Despite the early start (9am) the girls were quick to prove their dominance, leading at half time 5 – 0. Final score 13 – 0, with goals scored by Rhianna (4); Larissa (3); Emily (2); and individual goals by Jacana, Chloe, Abbie and Brittnee. Well done girls!



## Mock Trial against Gloucester High School 29th April



On Friday 29th April the Wauchope High School Mock Trial team took on a tough opponent in Gloucester High School. The court case had a 'Man from Snowy River' theme where our school was attempting to prosecute the famous stockman for negligent riding causing injury.

The Wauchope team made up of Barristers; Georgia and Hannah were ably assisted by new team member, solicitor Ben. The victim was Tarnay and her story was supported by Meg. These girls performed well when the bunsen burner was administered to them in the dock. The court proceedings ran smoothly due to the efforts of Laura.

The team performed valiantly but were beaten by a better team on the day. It was very hard to get a successful prosecution when you are competing against 120 years of history. We would like to thank the Gloucester team for making the trip up the highway and Eugene from Port Macquarie Legal Aid Service for adjudicating the case

Mr Houlahan

## How much fun is Drama? Theatresports







## A trip to the Royal Easter Show





## Excitement on the Ag Farm

Upgrading of the cattle yards occurred over the school holidays, including resurfacing with compacted blue metal and new steel fencing.

The timber fencing was removed and replaced by steel, supplied by Bennetts Steel.

This has been a great addition to Wauchope High School's Primary Industry Trade Training Centre, students now have access to an all weather learning environment when handling cattle.

Mr Starr



Year 12 and Year 11 Primary Industries students dismantling the old wooden fence



Year 8 Agriculture harvesting blue popping corn

Year 7 Immunisations Smiles all round...well almost!!









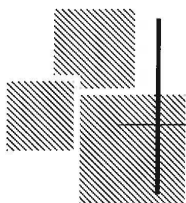


The weather gods were smiling as a beautiful afternoon greeted runners for the 2016 Cross Country. Participation levels were very high in all age groups, but particularly in the 18 Years Boys division. There were some tremendous performances on the day, and some close finishes between the top runners. Congratulations to our age champions who were Kurt, Laura, Brok, Stella, Hayden, Haylee, David, Charlotte, Keanu, Tamika, Luke, Emma, James and Jemma. Well done to Mr Houlahan who once again won the Senior Division over the 8km distance.



## SMS Messaging,

As some parents may be aware, the school now sends SMS messages to parents of students absent. These messages can be replied to giving the reason for absences.



## WAUCHOPE HIGH SCHOOL



### Year 7 Camp Expression of Interest (EOI)

Dear Parent or Guardian,

I would like to invite Expressions of Interest from students of Year 7 who would like to attend a camp at The Great Aussie Bush Camp in Tea Gardens. A range of adventure activities will be undertaken at the camp, including mud world, a survivor challenge, high ropes course and group campfires.

**Date: Term 4, Week 6 Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November.**

The cost of the excursion will be approximately \$280 (final amount to be confirmed) which can be paid in instalments over the next two terms. In order to secure a place for your child on the excursion you need to complete the attached note and pay a **deposit of \$20** to the school office by **no later than 9am on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April**. If not enough deposits are received by this date then the trip will not go ahead and any deposits already paid will be returned.

A full permission note detailing final cost and further details will be distributed at a later date.

Miss Sarah Rowsell  
Year 7 Advisor

Mr Glen Sawle  
Principal

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Deposit Slip – please detach and return to the front office with your deposit.

I give permission for ..... to attend the Year 7 Camp at The Great Aussie Bush Camp in Tea Gardens. I understand that the \$20 deposit must be paid to secure my child's place on the excursion.

Signed .....  
Parent / Caregiver

Date .....

Please print parent/caregiver name .....



## CAN YOU HELP IN THE CANTEEN?

Dear Mums, Dads, Carers and Grandparents

When a child progresses to High School it is a new beginning for them.

Sometimes they give the impression they don't want you to get involved, however this is not always true.

There are many children that like their family being involved, **so if you can help** - once per month / term / or year, I'm sure you will see the benefits of your child / grandchild loving seeing you here.

Please fill in this form with your preferred day, time and frequency, and return it to the office or canteen.

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Recess (9.30) to (11.30) \_\_\_\_

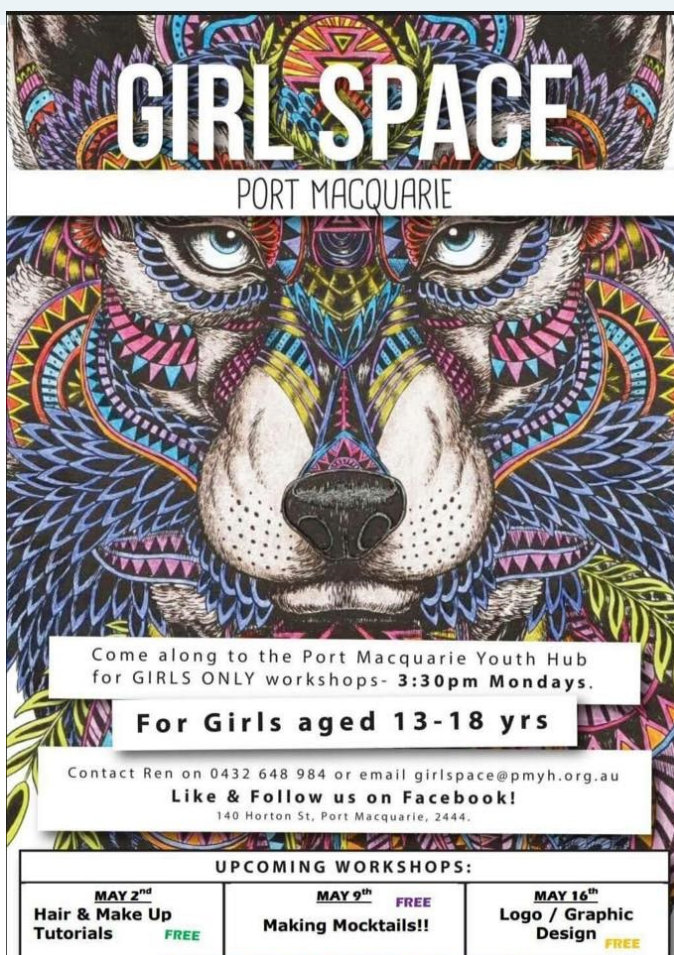
All Day (10.00) to (2.00) \_\_\_\_

Weekly\_\_\_\_Fortnightly\_\_\_\_Monthly\_\_\_\_Once Per Term\_\_\_\_

Your Name\_\_\_\_\_

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

Contact No.\_\_\_\_\_



**GIRLSPACE**  
PORT MACQUARIE

Come along to the Port Macquarie Youth Hub  
for GIRLS ONLY workshops- **3:30pm Mondays.**

**For Girls aged 13-18 yrs**

Contact Ren on 0432 648 984 or email [girlspace@pmyh.org.au](mailto:girlspace@pmyh.org.au)  
**Like & Follow us on Facebook!**  
140 Horton St, Port Macquarie, 2444.

UPCOMING WORKSHOPS:		
<b>MAY 2<sup>nd</sup></b> Hair & Make Up Tutorials <b>FREE</b>	<b>MAY 9<sup>th</sup></b> <b>FREE</b> Making Mocktails!!	<b>MAY 16<sup>th</sup></b> Logo / Graphic Design <b>FREE</b>

Have you got any old/new biscuit tins lying around that you wouldn't mind lending the Drama dept? If so, please drop them to the front office. They will be returned at the end of the term.

### Fire & Rescue NSW Open Day 2016

Fire & Rescue NSW is hosting its annual Fire Station Open Day on Saturday, 21 May 2016 between 10am and 2pm. You are invited to come along and watch fire safety demonstrations, road crash rescue scenarios, hop aboard a fire truck, and learn about becoming a firefighter while chatting with firefighters about fire safety and what they do. Winter is just around the corner and it's the worst time of the year for house fires, so come along and learn as much as you can. Visit [www.fire.nsw.gov.au](http://www.fire.nsw.gov.au) or Wauchope Fire station and join us on Saturday, 21 May 2016.