

Term 3 Week 6

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Wauchope High School Newsletter

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Calendar of events

Tuesday 6th September	Immunisations
Friday 16th September	Year 7 Day of Sport
Tuesday 20th September 7pm	P&C Meeting at Wauchope RSL
Friday 23rd September	Year 12 Farewell Assembly 9:30am

Sky Stories Stargazing Night

Friday 19th August was the second annual Sky Stories community event. This event was organised by Wauchope High School and Hastings Secondary College, in conjunction with Charles Sturt University Future Moves.



Around 400 people made their way to Sancrox Reserve for a night of stargazing and learning about astronomy, including how cultures have traditionally used their knowledge of the sky to navigate and as a calendar. Dave Reneke from Mid North Coast Astronomy gave a very informative presentation that had the audience enthralled, and members of the Port Macquarie Observatory also attended with their telescopes to share their knowledge.



Thank you to everyone who helped on the night, whether it was cooking the BBQ or sharing your expertise. If you attended the night, we would love your feedback on what you liked about the night and how we can improve the event for next year. Please take 5 minutes of your time to complete the survey monkey <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/XQXDGXF>.



David Hollis selected in Australian team

David Hollis has capped off a stellar year in Rugby League with his selection in the Australian Schools Under 15 Merit team, which was named at the conclusion of the National Under 15 Carnival, held at Port Macquarie between June 26 and July 1.

It was a bitter-sweet tournament for David, as the NSWCHS team that he was a part of were narrowly beaten in the Final by the Queensland team 16 points to 12. However, David's efforts in that match, along with his other performances over a gruelling week of schoolboy football, were enough for him to be selected in the Australian team.

At the Under 15's level, this team is known as a Merit squad, as unlike the Open Australian Schoolboys team, they do not have the opportunity to go away as a touring team, to play the likes of either New Zealand or Great Britain.

David's selection is an amazing personal achievement which may not have been replicated by any other Wauchope High School student previously. This will also certainly place David in the upper echelon of sportspeople who have performed at the highest level over the years from our school, and vindicates Parramatta's decision to sign him to a contract at this early stage of his life.



Wauchope HS **open girls touch football team** competed at the CHS final 10 teams in the state knockout carnival at Pat Morley Oval Bateau Bay on Tuesday 16th August 2016. The girls played 4 games against Muswellbrook HS, Wagga Wagga HS, Freshwater HS and Port Hacking HS. The games were very close and hard fought with Wauchope finishing 3rd in their pool but relegated to 4th on for and against count back. Wauchope was unable to compete at the final day in the 5th and 6th play-off and so finished 7th in the state forfeiting to Endeavour sports HS so that 9 of the girls could attend the Semi-final of the football knock out in Sydney on the Wednesday. Massive thank you to all the parents who came to support us and have done all competition. Well done to Georgia, Chloe and Jemma who will be leaving us this year and to the rest of the team who were amazing, courageous, disciplined and great sports representing their school with faultless behaviour and grace. Well done. Photo is back row left to right Eliza,



Photo is back row left to right Eliza, Rhianna, Larissa, Jemma, Abbi, Jacana, Tayla and Front row left to right Chloe, Emily, Georgia (captain), Brittnee, Chloe.

Bell Shakespeare Company



On Friday the 19th of August, a group of 20 students from Wauchope High School in years 10 and 11 ventured to Port Macquarie Glasshouse Theatre to attend an Othello workshop hosted by the Bell Shakespeare Company. The students participated in a variety of activities and performed a portion of Othello, which was no mean feat in the space of time they were given. The workshop host Matilda, brought Othello to life for the students and helped them understand and access the language of William Shakespeare in a practical and interesting way. Wauchope High would like to thank the Glasshouse for providing such an exciting opportunity. The students are looking forward to seeing the production of Othello at the Glasshouse in the October school holidays.

Ash Stafford Yr 10





If you see a SASS member during the week, don't forget to wish them a *Happy SASS Week*.

Year 9 Camp Week 10

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Mr Halliday

North Coast Athletics Carnival

A number of our students represented Wauchope High at the North Coast Athletics Carnival, which was held at Lismore on Thursday 11th August, after a lucky postponement from the previous week. There were some great performances on the day, including David and Rhianna, who were the Under 15 Boys and Girls Age Champions. David also broke the 15's Discus record with a throw of 53.13 Metres.

The following students have progressed to the CHS State Carnival, to be held at the Homebush Olympic site on September 7-10. David, Rhianna, Charlotte, Tylee and Nathan, along with our 15 Years relay team of Rhianna, Charlotte, Caitlin and Breanna.



Netball

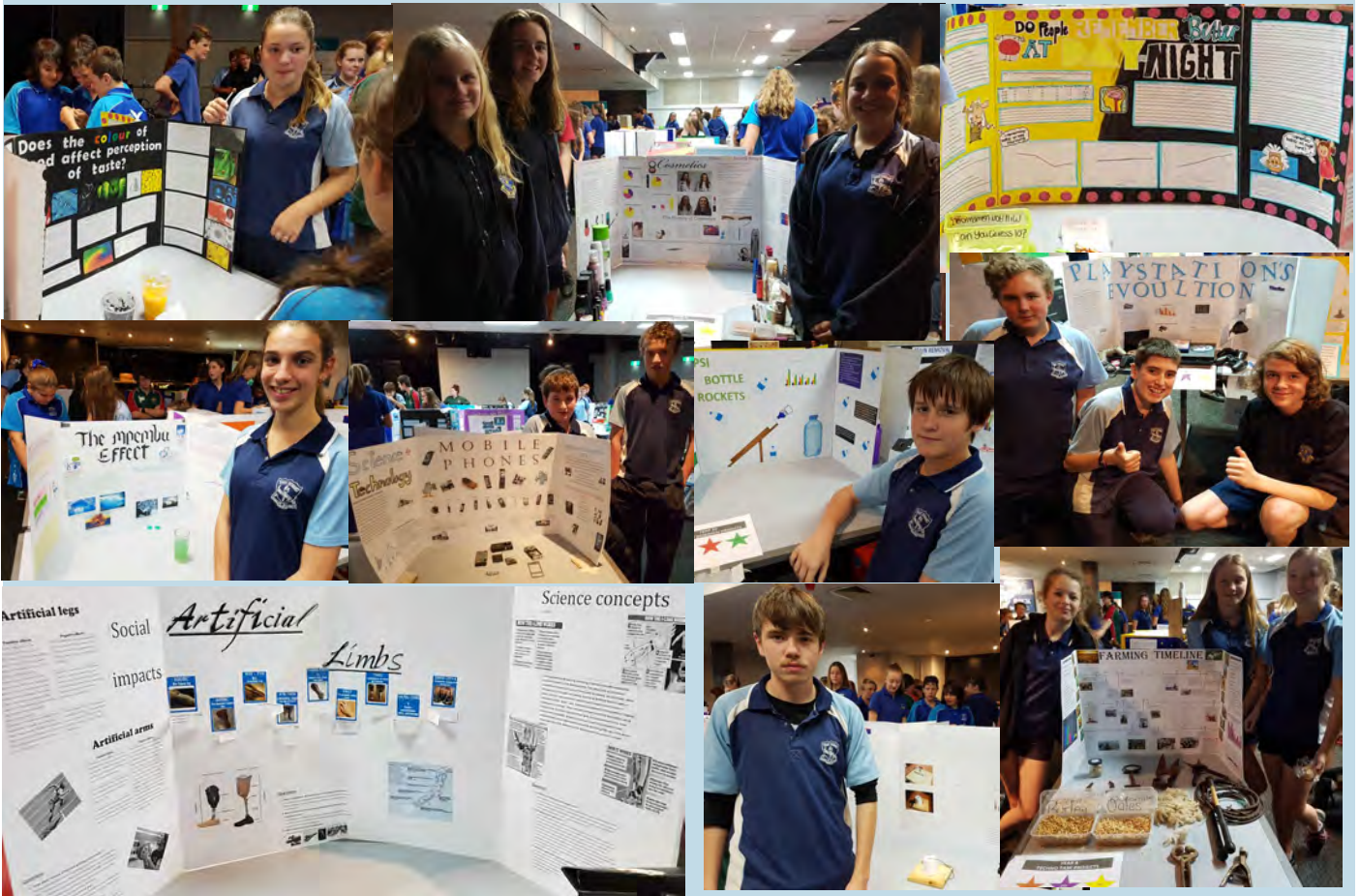
Both the opens and 15's netball teams played St Columbia in the lead up to the Cumberland visit. This was excellent preparation as both team had convincing wins in Sydney.



Wauchope Summer Touch Mixed Senior Comp starts October 10th, for further information call Glen 0437149244

Inaugural Hastings Science Fair

25 Students from Wauchope High School were invited to attend the Science Fair at Port Panthers on Monday 15th August. Students competed using work completed for common Assessment Tasks. Year 8 students brought their Techno Tasks and Year 10 students adapted their Major Student Research Project. It was a very busy day with our students presenting to year 5 students from across the region. Our students represented themselves and our school with pride, setting an exemplary standard for the visiting year 5's. The students were assessed by year 5 students for the 'People's Choice Award' whilst expert judges recruited from industry assessed the same projects for the 'Judges Choice Award'. Our students performed well in both categories but fell short in overall awards. Jayde took out the 'Wauchope High School Year 10 People's Choice' whilst Jade G took the 'Wauchope High School Year 10 Judges Choice'. Paige and Haley were the team to beat with them taking away both the 'Wauchope High School Year 8 People's Choice' and the 'Wauchope High School Year 8 Judges Choice'. Congratulations are deserved to all students who worked hard. The event would not have been possible without the support of the teachers from Wauchope High School, both Hastings Secondary Colleges and Camden Haven High School. Thank you to Port Panthers who gifted the use of their new room 'The Basement' for the location of the Inaugural Event.



Wauchope High School Students Lend a Hand.

Recently Tyreek, Tylee and Caitlin shared in lending a hand with NAIDOC Celebrations at Beechwood Primary School. The students helped out with a range of activities provided during the course of the day. It was lovely to see the high school students engage culturally with the younger students as supportive young role models.



Taree Horse Sports Day – Friday 29th July

Competitors in the Horse sports were Bree, Abby, Eliza, Chloe, Sarah & Millie (photo above L-R). All girls performed well winning ribbons in riding classes and sporting events.

Well done girls!



African Drumming workshop at Wauchope High School





Seeking Participants in the Hastings District Aged 8-16 Years for a Study on Long-term Memory in Children

We are investigating long term memory in children and adolescents: how do they remember and how fast do they forget.

Children and adolescents will be asked to answer some questions, complete some puzzles, solve problems and remember different information. The assessment can be completed at home or at Wauchope High School during the 5th to the 8th of September.

We will also conduct a brief interview with parents over the phone and then ask them to complete some behavioural questionnaires.

Each parent or guardian will receive a brief cognitive report, which will summarise and interpret the results of your child's assessment free of charge. The report may include recommendations for referral if indicated.

The results of the report may also help you to understand any strengths and/or difficulties your child has in the memory and cognitive skills we are assessing.

If you are the parent of a child/adolescent who does not have epilepsy and would be interested in participating in this study or if you have any further questions please contact Ms Samantha Joplin (sjop6031@uni.sydney.edu.au) or Joanne Jones at Wauchope High School on (02) 6585 1400.