



Wauchope High School Newsletter

Term 3 Week 4 Friday 16th August 2019

BAGO COMMUNITY OF SCHOOLS AWARDS



Congratulations to the recipients of the Bago Community of Schools Awards

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AUSTRALIAN GEOGRAPHY COMPETITION 2019



Congratulations McKenna Dennis Yr 8 and Ellen McKittrick Yr11 on amazing results in the Australian Geography Competition 2019.

Top 1% of their year group Australia wide

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Key Dates Term 3

Tuesday 20th August	P & C Meeting Wauchope RSL Lasiandra Room 6pm
Tuesday 3rd September	Immunisations Yr 7
Monday 16th September	Yr 11 Examinations commence
Thursday 26th September	Year 12 Final Assembly



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UNDER 18'S GIRLS RUGBY TEAM PLACE SECOND IN THE STATE



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Australian Geography Competition Success

Once again Wauchope High School has achieved outstanding success in this year's Australian Geography Competition. This is a contest for Australian secondary school students, assessing their geographical knowledge and skills. The competition aims to encourage student interest in Geography and to reward excellence. Students are graded at school year levels nationally.

Congratulations to all students who took on the challenge and tested their skills. Special mention to 40% of our participants this year, who achieved a credit plus result. Among these, two students, **McKenna Dennis** in **Year 8** and **Ellen McKittrick** in **Year 11**, both achieved exceptional results, ranking in the **top 1% of their year group Australia wide**. Ellen's achievement as a senior student has made her eligible for selection to Geography's Big Week Out at Kangaroo Island, South Australia in December. Only 16 students are chosen for this event nationwide.



High Distinction; Jessica ,Abigail , Morrow , Sophie , Brooke

Distinction; Olivia , Summer , Matikah , Kya , Adam , Ella , Tori , Nicholas , Abby , Tyler , Kade , Hannah , Jordan , Jacob , Kayla

Top1% ; McKenna and Ellen



Credit; Hayley, Mia , Maya , Jannali, Emily, Tahlia, Jaycie , Abbey, Maddie , Emily, Kiara , Jake, Harley, Braiden, Abby, Mishka



2019 NSWCHS GIRLS RUGBY UNION 7'S FINALS

Our U/18's Girls Rugby Union 7's team played in the finals at Waratah Park, Newcastle on Wednesday the 31st of July. The team consisted of Georgia McKinnon, Charlotte Wilton, Tori Bartz, Maddi Williams, Caitlin Miller, Lacey Hearfield, Shiki Porter, Paris Rock, Stella Tijou. Grace Tijou and Linn Eripe. The girls were well supported by a small but passionate group of family and friends.



The first game was against Leeton High School which we won comfortably 29 points to 0. The try scorers were Lacey, Stella, Shiki(x2) and Caitlin.

The second game against Callaghan College Newcastle was a much closer contest. We won the game 14 points to 7. A special mention to Stella. The game was locked at 7 all and with two minutes to go Stella ran straight for the posts, scored under the black dot and the girls were in front 12 points to 7. The conversion was successful and the girls took the lead 14 points to 7. The third game was against Nyngan High School. The girls' attacking and defensive skills had lifted which resulted in a comprehensive win of 38 points to 0. The try scorers were Shiki (x2), Stella, Charlotte, Tori and Lacey.

As a result we made the Grand final and we were playing against Westfield Sports High School. Westfield was a fierce, hard and tough rugby team. Our girls never gave up and are to be congratulated for their tenacity and determination. Unfortunately, we lost 34 points to 0. We are the second best girls' rugby side in the State. An outstanding effort for a country comprehensive high school.



We are extremely proud of the girls and congratulate them on their fantastic sportsmanship displayed. Thank you again to Bron James-First Aid expertise and strapper, Paul Price for driving the bus, Ellie McFadyen for running the water, Matt Taylor Super Coach and the family and friends for their ongoing support.

Mark O'Brien



A huge thank you to the Lions Club of Wauchope for generously supporting our students in their sporting pursuits.

Steve Perkins from the Lions Club pictured on the left presenting a cheque to our Girls Rugby Team and on the right presenting a cheque to Natalie Towle. Natalie was selected to compete in the under 17's NSW Country Rugby Union team.





UTS Galuwa Engineering & IT Experience

Galuwa Experience- University of Technology Sydney

During five days of the school holidays I was one of 28 students from around Australia to participate in the Galuwa Engineering experience at the University of Technology Sydney. The week was jam packed with tours and workshops.

On the very first day, we visited the Apple HQ in

Sydney. We were all given iPads to use and worked on an App designing program. We spent hours learning about the application design and attempting the coding challenges.

We also visited Garden Island in Sydney Harbour. This island is a military base, and as students of an engineering and IT program, we had a tour of the engineering facilities, engine rooms, and watched how the engineering procedures and processes are used on the base.

The students and I were given tours of many engineering companies in Sydney, including Transgrid, who supplies electricity to the whole of NSW.



During the program we also had a tour of Protospace. Protospace is a 3D printing facility run by UTS, and spent almost a day programming robots and exploring biomechanics, civil engineering and electrical engineering.

The Galuwa program has given me an insight into what engineering career pathways are available and how to further my education to achieve my career goals.

Tahlia De La Mare Year 11



Open Day at Southern Cross University

Southern Cross University's Open Day is fast approaching. Come along and find out about all of our course options, pathway programs and even get help to apply on the day. You can listen to presentations and have a chat with our academic teaching staff and current students. You can even go in the running to win a \$15,000 scholarship!

Come along to Coffs Harbour campus on Friday 16 August, Lismore campus or National Marine Science Centre on Saturday 17 August and also Gold Coast campus on 18 August.

For more information and to register, visit scu.edu.au/openday.

STAR Early Offer

Take advantage of Southern Cross University's STAR Early Offer program, available exclusively to year 12 students. You can pursue your dream degree or simply expand your options. This free program allows you to find out whether you have an offer into university before your ATAR/OP is released, based on your schools recommendation. An application will take you under 5 minutes but be quick as applications close 13 September 2019!

AgVision 2019-Cultivating Careers in Agriculture

Nineteen students from Wauchope High School headed down to the Sydney Showground, Sydney Olympic Park for the annual AgVision careers expo on Wednesday 7/8/19. AgVision is a leading Agricultural and Agribusiness careers expo in NSW, dedicated to supporting and informing students and their teachers of the range of careers available in agriculture, science, technologies and agribusiness.



This year's AgVision has seen more than 1200 students descend on the Sydney Showground and learn about agriculture through 61 hand chosen workshops. These include seminars and workshops on beef, dairy, wool and poultry production, the veterinary sciences, sheep shearing and even the increasing reliance on 'drones' in agriculture.

Our students were able to select 5 workshops from a choice of 61 hands-on sessions to learn from the industry experts, giving them a taste of the variety of careers on offer in agriculture. The students enjoyed the positive vibe and the interesting activities they were involved in. They came home with an appreciation of Australia's Agricultural Sector.



A special thank you to our Agricultural teachers, Mr Starr- for driving the mini-bus and Mr Palmer for organising the excursion.

Mark O'Brien Relieving
Careers Adviser



Bedwell's Banter



On Wednesday, Week 3, I challenged Year 7 students to identify one positive incident that each student has contributed to the school and / or Wauchope community. I had some excellent responses: representative football, giving money to charity and attendance at school above 90%. Research suggests that students thrive when they feel they are apart of something bigger than themselves, that they are needed and that they have something better to work for. Purpose helps create the happiness that comes from belonging to a caring community. Please talk to your child this week about the opportunities WHS can offer. This week alone we have the Hastings Council Student Forum, 'Swap Shop', Knockout netball, Football gala days and Aboriginal Sky Stories at Sancrox Reserve, 5-8pm.

On a side note, can all Year 7 parents who have children attending the scripture lessons with the wonderful Mr Abbott on Wednesday's please organise a permission note.

Thomas Bedwell – Year 7 Advisor



Days 17 –18

January 22nd - 23rd 2019

10 Students and 1 staff member visited the United States of America in 2019. For the past 2 years, (2017-2018) students were saving to pay off this adventure, applying for passports and entry visas into the USA. 18 Days of travel, including Los Angeles, San Diego (where students and staff were hosted by fabulous American families) and San Francisco. This opportunity will be back again in 2021...see Mr Grimson (Head Teacher Mathematics) for more information.

We say goodbye to our new family members, even though we are still in contact with them today through social media. I bet the students are glad I don't have any photos of our departure from Granite Hills High School. Or do I??? There were many tears shed as we said our goodbyes, hugged them several times and cried. And cried. And cried. We loaded the coach and as we pulled out from the loading bay, we cried some more. Well, not me, only the kids.



We headed for San Diego airport, checked in and took off, saying a fond farewell to our host city and hello San Francisco.

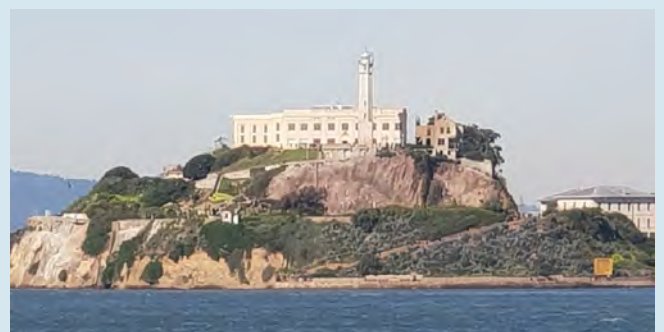
Upon arrival, we were transported to our Hotel in the Fisherman's Wharf district of San Francisco.

Once checked in, we discussed our final few days, placed our luggage in our rooms and then walked to Pier 39 which is well worth the visit. We strolled around, spent more money and worked out where we wanted to have dinner. We decided at a great buffet restaurant where the owner was absolutely fabulous and friendly and very accommodating. We returned to our hotel ready for an early start Wednesday.



An early breakfast then off for a walk down to the piers. We were to visit Alcatraz today. The famous prison where many of the countries hardened criminals were sent. It was closed in the early 1960s shortly after the famous attempted escape by 3 prisoners, as depicted in the movie Escape From Alcatraz, starring Clint Eastwood.

It was a very cool start to the day. To keep warm, apart from many layers of clothing, hot drinks and huddling together like penguins were the



order of the morning. Upon arrival, we were greeted by a Parks officer to explain a few of the details about the island. An ex-inmate was also a volunteer on the island. He enlightened us all with his take on the island prison. He was also an author of a book about his time before, during and after imprisonment. We then entered the prison building, put on some headphones and took a tour of the facilities at our own pace. A real eye-opening experience. I would suggest that you watch the Clint Eastwood movie before experiencing the gaol (jail).

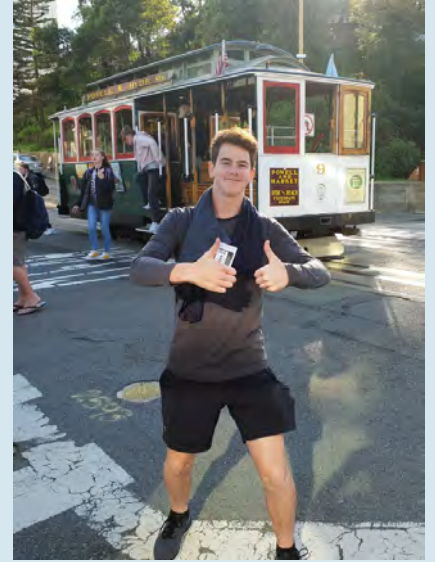
We caught the ferry back to the pier and boarded a tram to the CBD of San Francisco. A long lunch and some more shopping was in order. It was now time to hop on a cable car and visit one of the world's most crooked street, Lombard Street. As we travelled along in the cable car, up and down

some of the very steep streets, it was great to see some of the boys doing Mathematics. They seemed to notice quite a few parabolas.

We walked down the footpaths along Lombard Street, stopping to take many photos of the famous area. From there, we walked back to the hotel for a well earned rest.

For dinner, we just walked along the pier district until we could find something where we could all fit. Most were busy, so we settled for In and Out Burgers. Like an early McDonalds. The kids seemed to love the novelty of the place.

Afterwards, another stroll by the shops before heading back for our last night in the USA.



A big thank you to the Lions Club of Wauchope and their wonderful volunteers for our recent Hot Chip fundraiser. The money raised goes to our Support Unit who are gearing up for an excursion to the Great Aussie Bush Camp.



Congratulations Mr Jim Jackson on your retirement, you are looking very relaxed!



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CELEBRATING **150** YEARS OF EXCELLENCE
1869 - 2019

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SCHOOL CELEBRATION
FRIDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER, 2019
TIME CAPSULE DIGGING UP / SESQUICENTENARY CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY / CLASS PERFORMANCES / CLASSROOM DISPLAYS
open to all interested parties

HERITAGE FUNFAIR
SATURDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER, 10AM
TIME CAPSULE DISPLAY / HISTORIC VEHICLES / CLASSROOM DISPLAYS / LIVE MUSIC / MARKET STALLS / MEMORABILIA / KIDS ACTIVITIES / REPTILE SHOW / FOOD & DRINKS
open to all to join in and celebrate our history

CELEBRATION DINNER
SATURDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER, 6:30PM
FORMAL DINNER CELEBRATING 150 YEARS OF BEECHWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOL
HELD AT WAUCHOPE COUNTRY CLUB
tickets available via eentribute

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FOOTBALL MID NORTH COAST

PORT MACQUARIE
Start Date: Tuesday 17th September
Games: Tuesdays (14 weeks - 12 Rounds / 2 Finals)
Cost: \$120 per player (total cost)
* Use your \$100 Active Kids Voucher towards fee
Age Groups: U6-U14
DON'T MISS OUT!
GET YOUR TEAM TOGETHER NOW...
Team Entries: futsal@footballmidnorthcoast.com.au
(contact for entry form and more details)
Entries Close: Wednesday 11th September

On Thursday 8th August Wauchope High School held it's Parent Teacher Evening and Year 10 Subject Selection Night. It was a great night, the students and their parents came away from the meetings with a clearer understanding of their child's progress and future career direction.





Congratulations to Paris Rock, Annette Cordell, Tahlia Stewart, Caitlin Miller, Val Gillis and Anna Wilson who all received Bago Community of Schools awards as part of Education Week on Tuesday 6th August. We thank all of the recipients for their dedication to public education.



We were entertained by the combined public school choir and the Wauchope High School Dance Troup.

The Hon Dr David Gillespie, Member for Lyne addressed the gathering and presented the school with new flags .

Ms Emma Jeffrey, Director of Public Education and Learning Macleay Valley Network, attended and assisted in the presentation of awards.



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8.4 History worked to create these torii. These are gateways to Shinto Shires. Shintoism is one of the main religions in Japan.

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COVER YOUR
COUGH



IF YOU'RE SICK,
STAY HOME



WASH YOUR
HANDS



AVOID TOUCHING
YOUR EYES, NOSE
OR MOUTH

Don't forget

TONIGHT

Sky Stories from 5-8pm

DISCOVER THE WONDERS ABOVE

Sky Stories



Celebrating the
50th Anniversary of
the Moon Landing




Friday 16 August, 5pm - 8pm

Sancrox Reserve, on Rawdon Island Road

- ★ Virtual reality moon expeditions
- ★ Wander and explore the scale model of the solar system
- ★ Presenting the talking telescope by Midcoast Astronomy
- ★ Indigenous cultural performances
- ★ Bush tucker tastings
- ★ Free sausage sizzle
- ★ Soup, barista made hot drinks and a selection of cakes and slices available courtesy of Hastings Secondary College senior hospitality students
- ★ Bring a chair or a picnic rug and your curiosity to learn about the wonders above
- ★ Entry Gold coin donation.

Announcing Special Guest Speaker
Robert (Bob) Fuller, PhD Candidate, Aboriginal Astronomy, UNSW presenting *"The astronomy and songline connections of the saltwater Aboriginal peoples of the NSW Coast"*

Educators and astronomy enthusiasts will present an entertaining and educational night engaging students and our community in learning.

You will learn about the night sky, how to read sky maps and how to identify moon craters and star clusters.


Bring your own telescope or view the night sky through giant telescopes provided. You will also see Venus, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn and the majestic full moon.

Bring the whole family for an exciting fun-filled evening and learn how the night sky connects to Dreamtime stories past, present and future.

Directions to Sancrox Reserve from
Port Macquarie Macdonalds (Oxley Highway)

Sky
Stories

- ★ At the roundabout, take the 2nd exit and stay on Oxley Hwy/BS6 - travel 4.2km
- ★ Turn right onto Rawdon Island Rd - travel 3km
- ★ Turn left onto Colvin St and Sancrox Reserve, Colin Street. 280m - Entry via the front gates.





Charlotte and McKenna explored Telepathy



Hayden looked at the science of why bees prefer certain flowers

Jayda, Ali and Olivia explored the history and science of corsets



Under 15 Boys and Girls Basketball

On Thursday 1st of August, the 15s Boys and Girls Basketball teams travelled to Port Macquarie for the annual gala day, where they have the opportunity to meet and play against the eight other schools in our Lower North Coast Zone.

The boy's first game was against Kempsey High and was a close contest throughout the four quarters. Eventually the boys went down 28-17, but they were competitive for the entire 40 minutes, which was very encouraging. Kade scored his first match points, Joel rebounded well, while Tallis and Jeremy steered the team around the court well.



The girls played Nambucca Heads in their first game and skipped away to an early 8-0 lead. After this, the game became much closer before we ended up taking the match 20-12. Laicy scored 8 points, Courtney 6 and Evie 5 to lead the scorers, while Abby, Susie and Ella rebounded and defended well. The win took the girls directly into the Final.

The boy's second game was against Westport, and again they were competitive throughout, but lacked the game experience of their opponents on this occasion. They were defeated 45-24, but the boys played well as a team and improved in a number of game aspects. Kade scored 10 points, Jeremy 6, while Jedd and Aiden hit 3-pointers. Jacob was outstanding in getting rebounds and Wyatt was a terrier in

defence. It was a good learning day for the boys, who demonstrated good sportsmanship and were great ambassadors for the school.

The girls played Port Macquarie in the Final in what proved to be the best game of the day. Our lack of basketball experience was overcome by the tenacity and enthusiasm displayed by each player, as they refused to go down without a fight. The final score was 31-23 with Abby, Ella, Laicy and India all scoring points. Zali, Amarlie, Phoebe and Charli were active in both attack and defence, and demonstrated more confidence as the match progressed. This was again a great opportunity for the girls to learn more about basketball under match conditions. As always, these girls were a pleasure to take away for the day.

North Coast Athletics – Coffs Harbour International Stadium



Ten of our students; Harry, Alivia, Kelly, Maddison, Jade, Ella, Lilly, Callum, Cameron and Shikira all represented Wauchope High at the North Coast Athletics Carnival held at Coffs Harbour International Stadium on Thursday 8th August. Each athlete competed in a range of events during the day and achieved some excellent results. Cameron was successful in reaching the NSWCHS Carnival in Hurdles and the 15 Years Girls 4 X 100



Metre Relay team of Lilly, Maddi, Jade and Ella also achieved the same feat. Well done to all participants.



Congratulations Wayne and Brayden who recently competed in CHS Cross Country at Eastern Creek



A big Thank You to Ms James and her Hospitality students who provided sustenance for the athletes and staff at the recent Cumberland Interschool Visit. Pictured Ms James presenting Jack with his Cumberland shirt.