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Term 2 2021

PURPLE ROOM ART



Ancient Greece Trojan Horse



SCHOOL PHOTO DAY

Wellington High School

Day of Photography

4/6/2021

1. Please wear your full school uniform
2. Please place your order online before the day of photography
- Go to **www.advancedlife.com.au** and enter this code:
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From the Principal's Desk

Principal:
Mr Rod Cosier



Deputy Principal:
Mrs Kirsten Parkes
(Years 7, 9 & 11)



Mrs Jodie Gorrie
(Year 8, 10 & 12)



**The Wellington
High School
Community Group
meets at
6.00pm in the
School Common
Room. Week 3 &
Week 8 each Term.**

Chairperson
Kaylene Brien

Secretary:
Leanne Lee

As I write this report the junior half yearly examinations are steadily approaching their conclusion. They will be closely followed by half yearly reports that will provide you with valuable information on your children's progress this semester. To complement the report, we are holding our **Stage 4 and Stage 5 Parent / Teacher evening next Tuesday 1st of June from 4:30 until 7:00 pm.** This will take place in the school hall and we will have tea, coffee and nibbles available for your convenience. I am really looking forward to seeing as many people there as possible.

Year 7 and 9 have completed NAPLAN for another year. All tests were conducted online and we are pleased to report that there were very few technical problems to contend with. In general, the students managed the 4 tests well and we await the feedback we will receive when the results are published next term.

Attendance continues to be a concern for a number of our students. Every day that is missed at school puts a student further behind in their learning and the development of the basic skills needed to secure a bright future for them. Please ensure that you are helping our students attend every day and if they are absent they must bring a note when they return explaining their absence. Alternatively, you are able to phone the office to explain the absence.

Our Rugby League teams are doing well and are looking to go further in their respective competitions. I am sure there will be reports on both teams in this newsletter.

The school's Western Swimming representatives all acquitted themselves well at the State Championships at Homebush earlier this month. Samantha Thompson, Patrick and Harry O'Donnell and Karl Tasker were fine ambassadors for our school community. Further congratulations to Samantha who has been invited to compete for CHS in the All Schools Championships later this month - a great honour!

This Friday will be our annual athletics carnival at Rygate Park and Sport Coordinator Miss Bolton has worked very hard to ensure the day will be successful. It is important for all our students to attend the carnival and be part of the school community and enjoy the activities.

If you are intending to spectate, please use the QR codes to sign in for the day and be COVID Safe.

Rod Cosier
Principal

Year 12 Construction Work Placement

Last Term our Year 12 Construction students went out on their final week of work placement for the course. Both Justin and Tyrese worked extremely hard and thoroughly enjoyed their experience, receiving positive feedback from their employers. I am extremely proud of their positive attitude and effort. Since their work placement Tyrese has left to begin his career in the trade industry. We wish him all the best for the future.

- Miss. Woods



On the 1st of March to the 4th I did painting with Ian Darney. I painted the skirts of the walls and painted the letterbox. I painted two coats on the letterbox with green and then spray painted the numbers white. Then we went to the new house and then I filled in holes around the house and used an electrical sander after. Then I helped paint the roof and walls of the bathroom. It was a good experience, I really enjoyed it and it's something I could look forward to do.

- Justin Walker

EXPLORING EARLY CHILDHOOD

Year 12 Exploring Early Childhood have been busy in the kitchen again, comparing home prepared vs. commercial baby food.

We made three different types: sweet potato, carrot and apple; apple, pear and cinnamon and rice cereal.

I made the sweet potato, carrot and apple whilst Ashleigh made apple, pear and cinnamon and Riley made the rice cereal. We all enjoyed making the baby food although Ashleigh and Riley did not try the end result. Year 11 EEC stepped in and helped compare the home prepared made by the Year 12 EEC class and the commercial baby food.

Miss Woods, Year 11 and myself judged the different types of baby food we made. The sweet potato, carrot and apple was a bit dry and had no flavour whilst the apple, pear and cinnamon was a little too sweet and soft. Lastly the rice cereal was our favourite but most agreed that when the child ages you could add honey or sugar for extra flavouring. There were mixed reviews whether the home prepared was better than the commercial however, the commercial baby food was the favourite.

- Courtney Cummings



WELLINGTON SHOW – CRAFT RESULTS (TAS FACULTY)

Wellington High School students successfully entered their finished timber, textiles and metal projects in the craft section at the show. The following students received awards:

Textiles

13-15 years sewing

1st Laughlan Bailey

2nd Aurora Fairley

3rd Hallee McQuillan



E-Textiles

1st Abbey Shanahan

2nd Naomi Toynton

3rd Madelyn Leggett



Timber and Metal Work

1st Hannah Bruce

2nd Keira-Leigh Stanley

Congratulations to all students who entered the show.

Mrs T Nugent



Western Region Representatives

This term 5 students from Wellington High have competed in CHS State Sporting Carnivals. Samantha Thompson, Harry O'Donnell, Karl Tasker and Patrick O'Donnell all went to Sydney to compete in the CHS State Swimming Championships.



Harry competed in the following events: -

- 100m Butterfly, Breaststroke, Backstroke and Freestyle
- 50m and 200m Freestyle

His best result was 23rd in the state for 100m Butterfly.

Patrick competed in the multiclass events: -

- 50m Backstroke and Freestyle as well as the 200m Individual Medley

His Best result was 11th in the 50m freestyle.

Karl competed in the following multiclass events: -

- 50m Butterfly, Breaststroke, Freestyle and Backstroke
- 100m Freestyle and Backstroke
- 200m Individual Medley

Karl's best result was 4th in both the 200M IM and the 100m Backstroke

Samantha competed in the following events: -

- 100m Butterfly, Backstroke, Breaststroke and Freestyle
- 50m and 200m Freestyle where she was placed 12th.

Her best result was 11th in the 100m Freestyle.

Samantha has been asked to compete in the All-Schools Championship as part of the NSW Swim Team.



Will Eather travelled to Kareela Sydney to compete in the NSW CHS Boys Soccer carnival. The Western team finished in 11th position with Will being named most valuable player for the Western Team. He was also named 'best centre back' from all the country teams that competed at the state titles. Well Done Will.



Girls Soccer

On the 26th of March the girls' soccer team travelled to Parkes to play in the CHS knockout competition. Parkes got off to a good start scoring early in the game. Ten minutes later Wellington scored through some good attacking play by Sienna and Amelia which led to Georgia scoring her first goal. Soon after this Parkes was awarded a penalty kick which they slotted in. Wellington kept the attacking pressure up which eventually led to Sienna slotting the ball into the back of the net. Parkes managed another goal before half-time and went into the halftime break 3-2 up.

Wellington were the first to score in the second half after Sienna passed a great ball to Georgia who got into space and slotted the ball in. It did not take Parkes long to respond by scoring their controversial 4th goal. Georgia yet again capitalised on some loose ball scoring her third goal. It remained 4-4 until the last 2 mins of the game when Parkes scored the match winner.

Peyton and Hallee hustled well all game in the backs and Ashleigh (who played her final game) played well as goalie. Amber was voted most valuable player due to her great attacking and defensive play. Georgia Veech finished with 3 goals, with Sienna Sullivan scoring the other goal.

Unfortunately, this result sees us being knocked out of the 2021 competition.

The girls should be proud of their performance with Parkes beating us last year 4 nil.

Well done to all girls involved.



RUGBY LEAGUE

Over the last few weeks Wellington HS has seen our U14's and 16's boys compete in the Buckley Shield and the NSW Small Schools Knockout. The U/14's boys played against Gulgong and came away with a 72-0 win on home soil. Last week the boys played against Cowra and Mudgee in the finals of the Buckley Shield, unfortunately Cowra proved too strong and defeated the boys 26-6 in the opening game. They still got to play against Mudgee and showed them what team spirit is coming away 30-12 even after being knocked out of the competition. Earlier in the Term Mr. Brodrick and Mr. Smith took both age groups away to play against Henry Lawson High, Orange Anglican Grammar, Condobolin High and Macquarie Anglican Grammar. Both age groups put in all they had and Wellington HS came away undefeated in all games, both age groups will now go to the semi-finals in Coonabarabran in Term 3. Wello on 3.....1....2....3.....Wello!!



It was with great excitement to have displayed a small sample of WHS's creative efforts of the past year and current for this year's Wellington Show Craft Pavilion!

The student's works ranged from a series of experimental materials and techniques through to series of explored artistic components before deciding on their major works for the HSC. We look forward to displaying more from CAPA as each year goes by.

Mr. Yap
Visual Arts Teacher



CLONTARF

We have had a very busy start to Term 2. The term does not look to be easing up with more exciting events, activities, camps and worksite visits to come.

Back on Track Re-engagement Camp

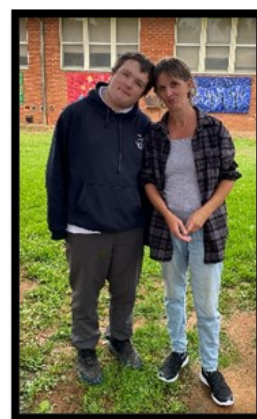
A group of selected students were given an opportunity to attend an overnight re-engagement camp in Sydney. This was to encourage and have discussions about the importance of attending school and that if they do the right thing and attend school regularly there are rewards. Up early Thursday morning departing Wellington and heading to Penrith for a game of Aqua Golf, the boys had a blast and showed some interesting skills when driving a golf ball, once we finished here we went for a look around Olympic Park something most of the boys had not had an opportunity to see. Leaving Olympic Park and meeting up with Brewarrina Clontarf Academy for some dinner and then heading to an NRL game. Rabbitohs versus Melbourne Storms, a very big win for Storm and an amazing experience for the boys, most of them watching their first live NRL game.

Friday morning, up early again heading to the Blue Mountains to visit Scenic World where we rode the cableway past the Three Sisters, went on the Scenic Railway which is the world's steepest train and some spectacular views whilst riding the Scenic Skyway. Once finished at Scenic World it was on the road heading home after a big two days, the boys were exhausted but had great discussion around why school is so important. The boys thoroughly enjoyed the trip and through many discussions I am hoping this has given them incentive to re-engage with school and look forward to future, events, camps or activities.



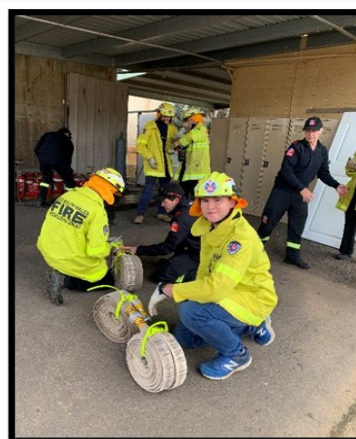
Mother's Day Morning Tea

Clontarf and the AEO's along with the support students held a Mother's Day morning tea for the support students' mums. A nice spread of food was put on to show appreciation for our student's mothers. Those whom attended thoroughly enjoyed the time spent with their children for morning tea.



Worksite visit – Wellington Fire & Rescue

Seven Clontarf boys attended the local Fire and Rescue training centre for a worksite visit. The day consisted of a variety of activities and information on what is required to become a fire fighter and what the job entails. The boys were given great hands on experiences of what is required on the job and they soon realised it's not all about just fighting fires there is a lot of bits and pieces that happen behind the scenes to ensure the job is done correctly when there is a call out. The boys had an opportunity to practice hose drills, gas fire training prop observation exercise, fire extinguisher exercise, kitchen fire simulator, search and rescue exercises and blacked out goggles exercises. It was a valuable hand on day and the boys got a lot out of it.



Clontarf NSW Senior Rugby League Carnival

Clontarf academies across NSW formed teams within each of the regions (Western, Mid North Coast, South Coast, Hunter North West, Riverina and Sydney.) Competing in the inaugural Clontarf NSW Senior Rugby League Carnival which was held in Wyong.

Seven Wellington boys combined with Dubbo College boys forming the Central Western side. Central Western won 2 of the 3 round robin games, defeating both South Coast and Riverina but going down to Hunter North West.

Central Western made the finals, and went on to play Hunter North West in the semi-final where we were defeated. Hunter North West had a very strong team and ended up winning the Grand Final.

During the competition the NSW Clontarf Merit Rep Team was picked one of the Wellington boys Taylor Cubby was selected. Well done Taylor!



WELLINGTON ABORIGINAL EDUCATION CONSULTATIVE GROUP (AECG)

The Wellington AECG is back up and running!

If you are the parent or guardian of an Aboriginal student, or a community member who is interested in Aboriginal education and what is happening in this space in our schools, please come along to the next meeting. Meetings are held monthly, commencing at 1pm, with the dates and venues listed below.

JUNE 9 – Wellington Information Neighbourhood Service (WINS), Swift St.

JULY 14 – TAFE, Maughan St.

AUGUST 11 – Wellington Public School, Percy St.

SEPTEMBER 8 – Nanima Pre School, Nanima Village.

OCTOBER 13 – Wellington High School, Whiteley St.

NOVEMBER 10 – Wellington Information Neighbourhood Service (WINS), Swift St.

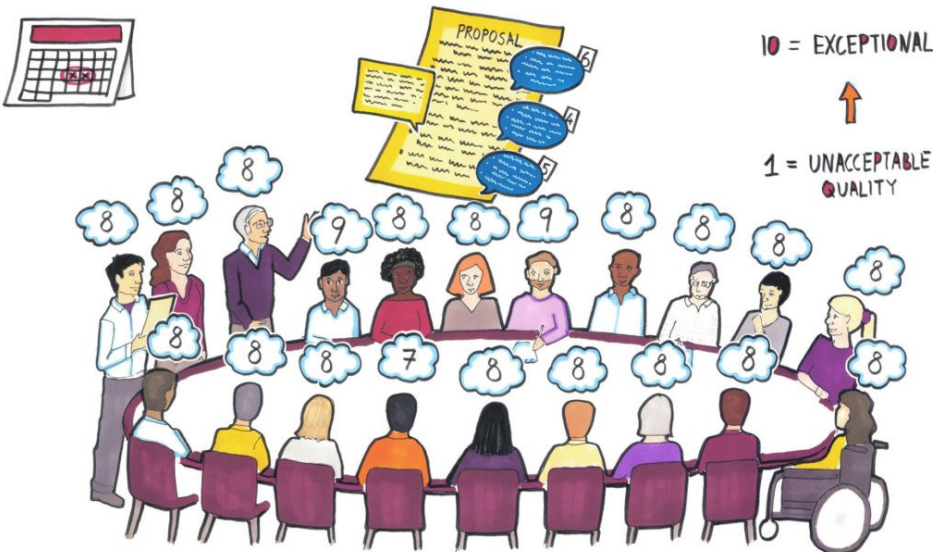
DECEMBER 8 – TAFE, Maughan St.

Your local Wellington AECG Committee is as follows:

PRESIDENT: Fallon Ah-See
VICE PRESIDENT: Michael Peachey
SECRETARY: Cheryl Ah-See
TREASURER: Louise Austin

You can contact us by coming along to one of our meetings, sending a message via Facebook (Wellington AECG) or by emailing - welloaecg@gmail.com

Hope to see you at our next meeting!



FOOD ALLERGIES

Just a reminder about students bringing food to share at school. There are numerous students with allergies to many foods, particularly nuts, and many who have conditions such as celiac, or who are lactose intolerant.

To ensure the safety of all students, we are required to follow the Department of Education's Policy.

Please negotiate with class teachers if your child is bringing in a birthday cake to share. This must have a list of ingredients contained in the cake.

If your child has an allergy to food, or a food condition, please let the school know ASAP so it can be updated in the records. They will need to have a Health Care Plan in place for treatment.

Mrs Gorrie
Deputy Principal



People Who can Support You at School

You don't have to work everything out by yourself. There are plenty of people there to provide you with support and offer advice and suggestions.

These include:

- Your class teachers
- Year Advisor/s
- Careers advisor
- School counsellor/school psychologist
- Student support office

April Motton and Gemma Martel are part of the School Counselling service at Wellington High School. They are available to provide supportive short-term counselling and help finding solutions for any longer-term issues you may be facing.

If you or a friend need more support

Everyone needs help sometimes. If you are feeling overwhelmed, there are people that can help support you through these challenging times. Many services have online and phone options, meaning you can chat with a mental health professional at a time, and in a way that works best for you.

Kids Helpline – free phone and online counselling support available 24/7 every day. 1800 55 1800

Lifeline – free phone (24/7), online (7pm-12am), and text chat (6pm – 12am) available every day. 13 11 14

Headspace – free online and phone chats (9am – 1am) and face to face support available. 1800 650 890

Youth beyondblue – free phone (24/7) and online chat (3pm – 12am) available. 1300 224 638

ReachOut (online forums and resources) au.reachout.com



TERM 2 2021

| | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY |
|----------------------|---|---|---|---|---|
| WEEK 6 B | 24/05 Yr 7 & 8 Exams | 25/05 Yr 7 & 8 Exams RYDA | 26/05 Yr 7 & 8 Exams | 27/05 Yr 7 & 8 Exams | 28/05 Yr 7 & 8 Exams ATHLETICS CARNIAL |
| WEEK 7 A | 31/05 | 01/06 | 02/06 | 03/06 | 04/06 |
| WEEK 8 B | 07/06 | 08/06 Clontarf Silver City Shield Yrs 7 & 8 | 09/06 Clontarf Silver City Shield Yrs 7 & 8 | 10/06 Clontarf Silver City Shield Yrs 7 & 8 | 11/06 Clontarf Silver City Shield Yrs 7 & 8 |
| WEEK 9 A | 14/06 LONG WEEKEND | 15/06 | 16/06 | 17/06 | 18/06 Clontarf Top Attendrs Camp 7-12 |
| WEEK 10 B | 21/06 White Cross Dental Clinic | 22/06 | 23/06 | 24/06 | 25/06 LAST DAY OF TERM 2 |