



# ORACLE

## Warialda High School newsletter

*Providing advantage through diverse educational opportunities for every student.*

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### New Principal

This term our school community was formally introduced to our new permanently appointed Principal, Mrs Shelly Way. Mrs Way comes to Warialda with a wealth of experience and is enthusiastic in becoming an integral part of the Warialda community.

If you would like to see Mrs Way to discuss a school matter please make an appointment before hand via the administration office on 02 6729 1000. Mrs Way is most accommodating and will fit you in where she can.



### Higher School Certificate in full swing

Our Year 12 students commenced their HSC (Higher School Certificate) exams on Thursday week one. The exams are being held on the premises of Warialda High School. It would be appreciated if noise could be kept to a minimum. We wish our students not only the "best of luck" but also hope their dedication and efforts are rewarded. Thank you to the P&C for providing snack packs to encourage students to remain focussed. .

Thank you to students and families who purchased tickets to the Year 12 Formal, to be held at the Warialda Memorial Hall next Friday 9th November.

### Their last year has begun

Our current Year 11 students have started their courses for their HSC year. Formal subject changes can be processed after preliminary course reports have been reflected upon. Their Preliminary school reports will be handed out later this week. Preliminary HSC reports will be handed out this week.

### Dates for your Diary Term 4

#### Week 3

**30 October – 1 November:** GRIP leadership conference at Lake Keepit.

Year 11 Reports handed out.

#### Week 4

**Friday 9 November:** Year 12 Formal at Warialda Memorial Hall commencing at 6:30 – 7:00pm.

#### Week 5

Years 7 – 10 Exams.

#### Week 6

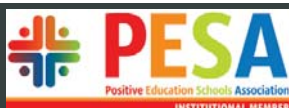
**Tuesday 20 November:** P & C Meeting 5:00pm start.

#### Week 9

**10-13 December:** Silver Certificate excursion to Coffs Harbour.

#### Week 10

**18 December:** Presentation Evening at Warialda High School commencing at 6:00pm.



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## Leadership activities

This week, our SRC/AECG (Aboriginal Education Consultative Group) will participate in leadership activities at Lake Keepit, and also spend a day at the (Generosity, Responsibility, Integrity, People) GRIP Leadership conference in Tamworth.

## Community involvement

At the end of last term various junior students, with Mrs Smith and Mrs Hall, volunteered their time to support a local family in a catering capacity at a wedding. The students worked tirelessly throughout the evening and were fabulous ambassadors for our school. The Student Representative Council (SRC) will have input on the spending of monies raised. Congratulations and a big thank you to Rachel Coulton, Hannah Tooley, Emma Hall, Hunter Rose, Cooper Rose, Hunter Brown, Maverick Mitchell and Western Mitchell.

## Bandanna day



National Bandanna Day is a major fundraising and awareness campaign for CanTeen Australia. Funds raised help support young people affected by cancer in many ways. Warialda High School (WHS) Student Representative Council (SRC) are proudly participating again this year and bandannas were sold from the Front Office for \$5. Students and staff wore their bandannas last Friday. \$314.00 was raised through the selling of bandannas and donations.



## School uniform

Whilst we have recently enjoyed some warmer weather, students are reminded to wear appropriate school uniform each day. The vast majority of our students proudly wear their uniform - gold polo shirt for juniors and white shirt for seniors. These shirts can be purchased from the canteen for \$15 any school day between 9:00am and 1:30pm. When students represent our school or attend excursions and special events, students are encouraged and expected to wear full school uniform.

## Carinda house celebrations

Mrs Gilmour would like to acknowledge students from WHS who volunteered to model on Saturday at the Carinda House celebrations. Sophie Hall , Charli Rose, Natalie Ju, Holly Duff , Hope and Lillee Sankey modeled vintage to modern day wedding gowns and beautiful bridesmaids dresses.

Congratulations to all the organisers and the WHS students for their community contribution.



## Assessments finalised

Stage 4, years 7 & 8 and Stage 5, years 9 & 10 formal assessments will be finalised during Weeks 5 and 6 of this term.

## Best in state 2017 ARTEXPRESS

It isn't every day that one of our own get selected to exhibit with the best in the state, so when we found out that Rhiannon Byers' 2017 HSC artworks was on tour at the mid north coast, it wasn't a matter of if we could go and view it, but, more of how many students could we take?

Last week, 25 students accompanied Mr West & myself to Port Macquarie to visit the glorious Glasshouse Art Gallery, where the touring 2017 ARTEXPRESS was being exhibited.

We arrived at Port Macquarie mid-afternoon, with enough time for the students to enjoy an invigorating swim in the ocean, sand castles sculpted in the sand and then back to our beautiful rooms at Te's Tennis Resort. Students played putt putt golf, another dip in the swimming pool and many tennis games under lights.

Next morning saw us up early, to enjoy a glorious breakfast put on by the proprietor of the resort, Te, before we headed for another swim at the beach with the local legends (Surfers). Showered and changed into our school uniform, we headed to the Glasshouse Gallery to meet our tour guide, Bruce. He explained the origins of the contemporary space and the importance of temperature and humidity within its interior.

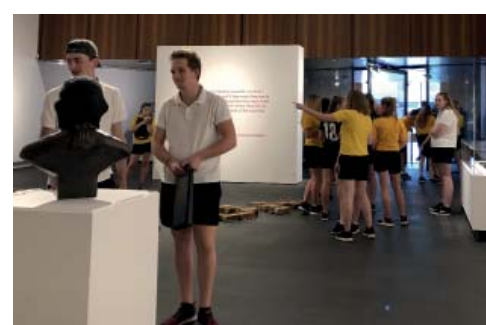
On the third floor of the gallery, was the ARTEXPRESS, the most viewed of the three exhibitions stated Bruce. He continued by saying that the audiences enjoy the personal story behind each student's artwork created for their HSC.

Students were overwhelmed by the standard of excellence on display from across the state, such diverse use of mediums and themes throughout. As we turned to see Rhiannon's artwork as the centre focal point on the wall, year 9, 10 & 11 students smiled with excitement, and I screamed with delight.

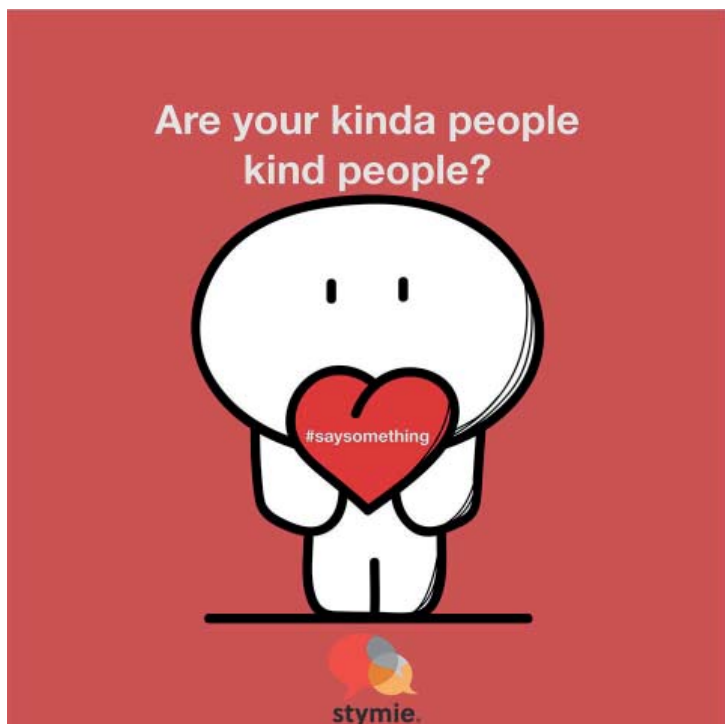
In the HSC, students are asked to come up with a concept and document the process. This ensures that the artwork is only part of a much more complex chain of events and it is such a pleasure to read the artists connection with their creation.

HSC artwork should in reality take almost two years to complete so it is reasonable to assume that the artist reflects some of their personality in their work.

The trip to Port Macquarie was short and sweet but it was well worthwhile. The 25 visiting students presented themselves and our school admirably and we are very proud of Rhiannon's achievements.



A special thank you must go to the support of the staff especially Mr West. We would like to do it again and as the 2018 HSC artworks will be marked this upcoming month, we wish this year's HSC students all the best. Our fingers are crossed that we will be off to Port Macquarie the same time next year.



## Formal assembly

Formal Assembly last Friday saw a number of deserving awardees receive certificates Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) awards, faculty certificates and Silver certificates. Congratulations to students who won the P&C sponsored Silver Certificate draw.

New Principal, Mrs Way addressed students about her career path to date and highlighted the location of schools throughout NSW she has worked at so far. She then surveyed student preferences on the location for the new water fountain/bubbler donated by our Year 12 students, to be installed at the school.

Finally, Mrs Way highlighted the importance regarding Mental Health and encouraged students to recognise the issue and seek support from staff and peers as needed.



### Gold certificates

Lily Hamilton

### Silver certificates

Maverick Mitchell, Jack Small, Chloe Read, Lily Hamilton, Florence Armstrong, William Barrington, Matilda Barwick, Toby Bell, Sarah Clarke, Angus Digby, Sophie Hall, Isabella McIntosh, Jaydin Penman, Lillie Sankey, Natalie Tu, Caleb Withers



### Faculty certificates

Abbiegail Dunncliff, Alisha Sleiman, Amica Cuell, Andrew Walker, Angus Digby, Atalia Walton, Byron La Fontaine, Charlie Cush, Charlotte Lockyer, Chloe Read, Conner Rowan, Dakota Perrett, Denham Marchant, Elijah Lane, Emma Weatherall, Florence Armstrong, Grace Parker, Hannah Tooley, Hayden Hancock, Isabella McIntosh, Jack Digby, Jack Williams, James Williams, Kaleb Doney-Tonks, Keziah McIntosh, Lacey Cooper, Lillie Sankey, Lochlan Lane, Louisa Gilmour, Lucy Doney-Tonks, Mardi Klingner, Matilda Barwick, Maverick Mitchell, Montenna Johnson, Nadia Lewis, Natalie Tu, Nathan Tooley,



Nicola Robinson, Paige Delanty, Sarah Miller, Savannah Hughes, Sophie Hall, Toby Bell, Toni Jane Brown, Travis Clarke, Vincenzo Carbone, Will O'Sullivan, William Barrington, Wyatt Laidlaw.



## PBL draw

Our school is a Positive Behaviour for Learning school and our focus core value remains achievement. Many achievements were celebrated at the formal assembly, 3 students received \$5 school credit vouchers and a further 20 students claimed an icy-pole as an acknowledgement for their achievement.

Mrs La Fontaine presented the achievement ladder concept to students, and house-coloured stickers were completed in classes during Period 5. The ladders will be hung in the Hall where students and staff can regularly see the collation of achievements. Motivational clips from the Invictus Games, and the X-Games, both events recently held in Sydney were shown to the audience in a bid to encourage us down our achievement path!

## Rotary public speaking

On Monday the 29th of October; Will O'Sullivan, Emma Weatherall, and Louisa Gilmour participated in the Rotary Public Speaking competition. The night was held at The Royal in town, and each student spoke about a topic of their choice for five minutes. Emma spoke on issues of gender equality, Louisa about the importance of recognising the arts, and Will spoke on sportsmanship and it's application outside of sport. Their speeches had to align with the four key values of Rotary: fairness, truthfulness, goodwill, and equality. Congratulations are to be extended to Emma, Will, and Louisa for the skills they displayed by speaking with clarity, pace, and to time. They all represented the school admirably and impressed their attentive audience with their rhetoric. Louisa received first place on the night, and will now represent Warialda at the cluster round.



## White Card completed

On Monday several students completed their White Card course. Thank you Mr Bower for organising and helping students enrol in this course and the Northern Inland Community College for making this accessible for our students.

# Howzat

## Under 14's cricket

On Friday 26 October, Warialda played Moree in Round 1 of the Under 14's Coleman Shield Cricket knock out at Nicolson Oval.

Moree won the toss and elected to bowl. Opening the batting for Warialda was Will Jones and Jack Williams. The decision to bowl seemed like a good one for Moree who struck early to claim Jones for 2 runs when he was bowled by opening bowler Ross. This brought Isaac Armstrong to the crease and that is when the fun stopped for Moree. Both Williams and Armstrong got stuck into the Moree bowlers with a mix of patient defence and at times brutal attack, both racking up big scores with Williams eventually being bowled in Moree's final over for 75 runs and Armstrong carrying his bat for an unbeaten 69 not out. This left Moree with the daunting task of chasing down 209 runs off their 30 overs.

Unfortunately for Moree it proved to be too much as the Warialda bowlers shared the spoils. All 7 bowlers claimed a scalp, Cooper Rose 1-11 off 4, Isaac Armstrong 1-8 off 3, Travis Clarke 1-8 off 4, Toby Bell 1-1 off 1 and Will Jones 1-2 off 1. The pick of the bowlers were the Digby boys who both claimed 2 wickets each Angus 2-3 off 2 overs and Jack 2-7 off 4. Moree were rolled

This puts the Warialda boys off to the next round to face the winner between Inverell High and Macintyre High. Good luck.

## Opens cricket

On Monday the 29 October, Warialda travelled to Wee Waa to play the 3rd round of the Open Boys cricket competition after a 2nd round forfeit from Moree. Wee Waa had come off the back of a strong win against Narrabri and our boys knew that it was going to be a tough day out.

Wee Waa won the toss and sent Warialda in. Warialda got off to a rough start losing Opener Andrew Marle for a first ball duck, and the next 3 batters cheaply; Marchant 8, Daley 1, La Fontaine 1. This caused a mini fightback in the lower order with Eric O'Sullivan joining his brother at the crease making a much needed 10 runs before a bottom order tail wag with Isaac Armstrong stepping up from Year 8 to score a strong 20, Hunter Rose 11, Hunter Brown 13 and Cameron Jane 11 not out. This late order fight meant Warialda limped to a score of 129 with Opening batsman Will O'Sullivan top scoring with 22 runs.

It looked like being a short day with Wee Waa going after our opening bowlers with the score jumping to 0-24 off the first 3 overs before Will O'Sullivan continued his good day by claiming his first wicket. Wee Waa looked like they wanted the day done by drinks as they attacked everything Warialda threw at them and at drinks they were 6-112 and it looked like it was done and dusted for Warialda. The drinks break seemed to help Warialda, the first ball after Will O'Sullivan claimed a dangerous Doring for 53 and this signalled the final collapse of Wee Waa with Warialda claiming a nail-biting win by bowling their opposition for 120 runs. Bowlers for Warialda, Marchant had a tough day claiming 1-51 off 5 overs, Will O'Sullivan 3 – 26 off 5, Rose 2 – 29 off 5, Eric O'Sullivan 2 – 14 off 5 and Armstrong claimed the final wicket off the first ball of his first over.

Warialda will travel to Gunnedah for the next round. Good luck Boys.





## **WARIALDA JUNIOR TOUCH**

**TWILIGHT GALA CARNIVAL**

**“IN MEMORY OF LOGAN TAYLOR “**

**TO HELP SUPPORT BRAIN CANCER**

**SATURDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> December 2018**

**STARTING @ 4PM**

**WARIALDA RECREATION GROUND**

**TWO DIVISIONS**

**JUNIORS MIXED (YEAR2-YEAR6)**

**(WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE KIDS PLAY WITH MONDAY TEAMS. )**

**SENIORS MIXED HIGH SCHOOL (YEAR7-YEAR12)**

**10 PLAYERS PER TEAM**

**\$50 to NOMINATE A TEAM**

**CLOSING THE 1<sup>ST</sup> DECEMBER 2018**

## **PRIZE FOR BEST DRESSED SUPER HERO TEAM**

**GAMES WILL BE 2 X 7 MINUTE HALVES**

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