

Wycheproof P-12 College

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Child Safety

We are currently updating many of our policies that relate to this priority area in our school. These policies (once developed and consulted upon) will be made available on our school website. Most of the daily interactions between our children are respectful. Sometimes they are not. We are no different to a large family. Sometimes we need to remind our children about how to respectfully interact with others. No child is perfect. In fact, we are all a work in progress, and the people that are in our lives are highly influential in shaping our behaviours. We are committed to providing environments where our students are safe and feel safe, where their participation is valued, their views respected, and their voices are heard about decisions that affect their lives. Our child safe policies, strategies and practices are inclusive of the needs of all children and students. We have no tolerance for child abuse and take proactive steps to identify and manage any risks of harm to students in our school. We promote positive relationships between students and adults and between students and their peers. These relationships are based on trust and respect. We take proactive steps to identify and manage any risk of harm to students in our school environment. When child safety concerns are raised or identified, we treat these seriously and respond promptly and thoroughly. Particular attention is given to the child safety needs of Aboriginal students, those from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds, international students, students with disabilities, those unable to live at home, children and young people who identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans and gender diverse, intersex and queer (LGBTIQ+) and other students experiencing risk or vulnerability. Inappropriate or harmful behaviour targeting students based on these or other characteristics, such as racism or homophobia, are not tolerated at our school, and any instances identified will be addressed with appropriate consequences. Child safety is a shared responsibility. Every person involved in our school has an important role in promoting child safety and wellbeing and promptly raising any issues or concerns about a child's safety. We are committed to regularly reviewing our child safe practices, and seeking input from our students, families, staff, and volunteers to inform our ongoing strategies. If anyone in our community would like to be a CHILD SAFETY CHAMPION, please contact myself (through the office) at the school as we would love our parents to also lead this priority work for our school community.

Christine McKersie - Principal

2022 DIARY DATES

JULY

Mon	11	First Day Term 3
Mon	11	RFDS incursion Prep - Yr 6
Tues	12	Tomorrow Man/Woman
Wed	13	School Council Meeting
Thur	14	X-country State Championships
Mon	18	TIS - Yr 12 Charlton
Mon-Tue	25-26	Yr 2/3/4 Camp - Echuca

AUGUST

Fri	5	Roadsafe - Year 10
Wed	8-9-10	Driver Education - Year 10
Mon	8	Driver Education - Year 10
Mon	15	Year 8 Orientation - NCTTC
Tues	16	Headspace Visit
Wed	17	Parent-Teacher Interviews
Wed	17	School Council Meeting
Thurs	18	Visiting show - Emperor's New Clothes
Wed	24	NCD Athletics - Charlton
Thurs	25	Primary Calder Athletics - Charlton

Assembly in the music room – June 15
Junior concert band performance



Wycheproof P-12 College ~ "Be Your Best"



Going, going, gone... Year 11 student Alex Brander loses his locks to raise money for the World's Greatest Shave.



World's Greatest Shave & VCAL Fundraiser



Whitney Jones



Cian, James & Eabha



VCAL students and face-painters Talia, Bronte, Marley, Gemma & ES staff member Kristy.

Well done to all students who helped raise hundreds of dollars for cancer research through this year's World's Greatest Shave. Year 11 VCAL student Alex Brander ran his own fundraising campaign and was the first to lose his locks on Tuesday, June 7. Whitney Jones and Eabha Polzin had their hair lobbed off to be donated. Their ponytails will be made into a wig for someone suffering from cancer. According to Cancer Council, it takes 20 ponytails to make just one wig - every ponytail matters! Cian Polzin, James Ison and Hunter Connolly also received new hair styles. The event was in initiative of the North Central Trade Training Centre VCAL Cluster. Students also held a sausage sizzle and face painting.



Isabelle Mulquiny



Amara Cowell



Amara & Isabelle speak at a Buloke Shire Council Councillor briefing.

Fairfax Youth Initiative - Film Festival

Congratulations to Year 10 students Isabelle Mulquiny & Amara Cowell whose short stories were showcased in the recent Fairfax Youth Initiative (FYI) Film Festival in Swan Hill. Amara and Issy started the FYI mentorship in 2021, participating in writing workshops, rehearsals and open mic nights - all via Zoom due to Covid-19 restrictions. Earlier this year the FYI film crew professionally produced the girls' written stories into short films. Issy and Amara were involved in every step of the process, from writing, acting and composition, to roles as crew members. Theirs were among 18 short films showcased at the film

festival at the Swan Hill Town Hall. "We're very proud of the work of Amara and Isabelle," FYI mentor Chelsea Zeller said. "They are two fine young storytellers putting Wycheproof on the map, and their stories were so well received and celebrated at the screening. Following the film festival, Isabelle and Amara were invited to speak about the Fairfax experience at a Buloke Shire Council Councillor briefing. Many questions were asked from both Councillors and Council staff, all of which they answered, offering a broad insight into their experience.

SG X-COUNTRY

Heading off to Bendigo on a brisk morning, students were teeming with excitement at the prospect of making the podium of the Sandhurst Goldfields Cross Country. Mrs Botheras took a group of 10 primary students down to Bendigo to try their luck in the 2km and 3km events. All students did a fantastic job and ran their hearts out. Priya Coatsworth was fast enough to make it to the next level in St Arnaud, representing the region and Wycheproof P-12 College. Finbar Polzin was unlucky to miss out with an 11th place. The best result of the day was Ryder Harrison who made the podium, coming in third. What makes this feat even more fantastic is that a vast majority of the runners in his age group were young year three students. All students represented the school well and were proud of their efforts. Well done to all those who ran!



Ryder Harrison

NCD X-COUNTRY

We had originally planned on taking 32 pupils to this year's NCD Cross Country event but through sickness and injury, that number was wilted down to 24. To pull off another win in the standardised pennant competition and to add our first ever Girls Shield was an amazing outcome. The girls really carried us to victory in the standardised competition securing 305 of our overall 507 points and this ensured our score of 7.8 was light years ahead of second place on 4.6.

Considering we are such a small school, we always do well at this event as we train specifically for cross country in our sports programs. It proves that with hard work you get great results. Third in the aggregate shield is pretty outstanding considering the winning school in this competition Maryborough Secondary has a population of 630 kids to choose from compared to our 65 students.

Individual results were also outstanding with two outright winners in Keely Allan & Angus Cowell, as well as Ella Sheahan placing second and Charlie Fawcett finishing in third.



Loddon Mallee Region



LMR X-COUNTRY

True cross country conditions greeted our 20 successful LMR runners at St Arnaud on May 30, with a top temperature of 8 degrees. Recent rain had washed out parts of the running track and mud was something all had to deal with on the course.

Our kids battled through and had some outstanding results. Those pupils who committed to training regularly in the months leading up to this event were rewarded with a qualification run that will

see them compete at the State Cross Country finals early next term in the Yarra Valley.

Congratulations to Keely Allan (3rd), Ella Sheahan (7th), Charlie Fawcett (6th), Libby Thompson (6th) & Angus Cowell (8th) - pictured below - who will all represent our school next term in Melbourne.

A further congratulations to Savannah Nicholls, Keely Allan and Matilda Bish (pictured left) who finished second in the 15-year-old girls LMR teams event.





MP Peter Walsh visits Wyche P-12

Leader of the Nationals Party and Member for Murray Plains Peter Walsh, along with newly announced Nationals candidate Jade Benham, visited Wycheproof P-12 College on Wednesday, June 15.

Mr Walsh's visit was in response to a letter from School Captains Ella Sheahan and Joe Coles and School Representative Council president Kate Thompson in March to express their concern about the possible reduction of aged care beds and acute beds at the Wycheproof Campus of East Wimmera Health Service.

"Growing up in Wycheproof and Nullawil means that we are very connected to the elderly in our community," their letter read.

"These beds are more than just numbers to us, they represent care and treatment for the elderly of our community and for those who are critically ill and need immediate treatment."

Mr Walsh commended Ella, Joe and Kate for adding their voices to the community campaign.

EWHS has since confirmed it will not be closing any beds.

Mr Walsh and Ms Benham, who is currently mayor of Swan Hill Rural City Council, also took the time to speak with senior students in an informal Q&A session.



UPDATE



TERM 2, WEEK 9

Class Growth

Yr Level	Average	Current
5	159%	93%
6	181%	163%
7	81%	98%
8	89%	94%
9	89%	125%
10	109%	85%

Highest growth this fortnight

Student	Growth
Harry Humphreys & Mila Stringer	133%
Logan Pollington	267%
Lana Fawcett	233%
Rhett Hogan	200%
Jacob Harrison	367%
Isabelle Mulquiny	167%

Highest individual average

Student	Growth
Ever Harrison	194%
Logan Pollington	243%
Lana Fawcett	138%
Jessie Fawcett	161%
Jacob Harrison	162%
Matilda Bish	142%

Parents and students are reminded that Maths Pathways can be accessed from any location. The percentage score is a reflection of how much growth a student is achieving. Eg. 117% = student is learning at the rate of 1.17 years.



Morgan and Ludah



Indi



Prep/1 & Year 2 students

Questacon Science Incursion
 The Questacon Science Circus visited Wycheproof P-12 College on Wednesday, June 8. Prep/1 through to Year 9/10 students enjoyed lively and energetic science shows and conducting various experiments.



Ashton



Riley



Jack & Ruby



Darcy & Mark



Hayley & Kiarah



Dane, Max & Rhett



William & James



Gracie & Savannah



Whitney & Paige



Tom & Heath



Spencer & Jacob

SCHOOL HOLIDAY INVENTION CONVENTION!

These July school holidays between 5 – 7 July, Questacon will be taking a road trip to Federation University Horsham to host an Invention Convention. Over three days you will come up with ideas and innovative solutions to a problem you care about. On the way there will be the opportunity to meet local experts, learn lots of new skills, and make connections with like-minded people from Victoria. The best part? It's completely FREE!

Registrations are now open and places are limited so get in quick >> www.bit.ly/QuestaconIC

Star Students

Ashton Wright

Prep / Yr1

Adding details into his writing

Riley Beattie

Yr 2/3/4

Attempting all tasks with positivitiy

Mila Stringer

Yr 5/6

For always putting in effort with her work



Congratulations to Lily Humphreys, Hayley Yasa, Adele McNaughton, Morgan Beattie, Minnie Cotton and Kiarah Browne for making it into the footy finals played in Birchip. Sadly, defeated by one point (or robbed, according to those who attended) of a celebration outcome. A great experience for all girls involved to gain confidence and further enhance their football skills.

SQUIZYA CHAMPIONS

Yr 5	Ludah Harrison
Yr 6	Morgan Beattie
Yr 7	Grace McKersie
Yr 8	Jessie Fawcett
Yr 9	William Ison
Yr 10	Tom Cotton



WYCHEPROOF COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE:

- School holiday Minecraft. 1pm - 3pm. June: Wed 29th, July: Fri 1st, Wed 6th & Fri 8th. \$8 per child. Bookings: (03) 5493 7455.
- Evening yoga classes resume in Term 3. Great for anyone looking to increase their flexibility, strength, mobility and overall wellbeing. Tuesdays, starting July 19, 6pm - 7pm at the Supper Room. \$60 for six weeks. Bookings: (03) 5493 7455.
- Responsible Service of Alcohol. If you're an employee or volunteer due to update your RSA, you can now do your training from the comfort of your own home. WCRC has partnered with CFT International to deliver RSA training online. \$49 per person, or \$60 per person to do the online training as part of a group at WCRC. Call (03) 5493 7455 to enquire or visit www.wycheproofcrc.org.au/rsa