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LOCAL BUSINESSES PROVIDE INSPIRATION AT WOOLGOOLGA HIGH SCHOOL CAREERS DAY



Greg Wallace had the attention of students in the Park Ranger/Forestry Worker and Zoologist talks

Mr Guy Wright, Principal of Woolgoolga High School sincerely thanked the local business community stating, "We are most grateful for the enthusiastic support provided by employers and businesses for our unique careers program over the past several years". This year, students have had the opportunity to choose career possibilities from upwards of 110 careers. "I am grateful to all the employers on the Coffs Coast and often wider afield who are asked to be involved with this program and for making people available to provide valuable guidance to our students."

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From the Principal's Desk

"It is so important that we continually educate our students about the issues around alcohol, cigarettes, marijuana and prescription drug use".

Well done to Ally Cork of Year 7! It's great to see our students involved in so many unique CHS sporting events. To be awarded the Sub Junior Girl Champion and winning the Slalom is indeed an extraordinary effort.

Thanks to Brainstorm Productions who delivered a spellbinding presentation to all our Year 10 students last Tuesday. As Senior Constable Snow often says "It is so important that we continually educate our students about the issues around alcohol, cigarettes, marijuana and prescription drug use".

The Southern Cross University Headstart Program is now open for our Year 10 students to apply for a Year 11 start. Prior to submitting an online application, it is necessary for each student to have a discussion with myself. The course is quite onerous and is targeting our academically capable students, who for six months into Year 11 can cope with the workload of 14 units on 7 subjects. Students, please see me if interested.

There have been a few enquiries about the Year 7 Excel (Gifted and Talented) class in 2018. Primary schools will be given the application form at the beginning of Term 3. The applications need to be completed by August 28th and Super Saturday will be held on September 2nd. The application process includes a resume, a teacher/school recommendation, NAPLAN results and attendance at Super Saturday where students participate in literacy, numeracy and associated activities.

Until next time Guy Wright Principal To Woolgoolga and Northern Beaches Chamber of Commerce:

On behalf of the students of Woolgoolga High School I would like to thank the Woolgoolga and Northern Beaches Chamber of Commerce and in particular the 70 individual presenters who attended our successful Careers Day, 2017. The positive relationship between the Chamber and Woolgoolga High School continues to flourish and these important industry links are mutually beneficial to our community.

The school, our students and their parents and caregivers are thankful to the Chamber for the ongoing support with our work experience program, which builds a bridge between education and employment.

I would like to acknowledge the organising committee behind the Careers Day and in particular, Ray Willing, Alistair Milroy, John Hannaford, Megan Hart, Julie-Anne Chivers and Peter Burton for the many hours of organisation that ensured a most positive and successful day. The work and support of this initiative led by the President and Vice President of the Chamber, Cherie Topfer and Tony Ross makes this valuable experience possible.

Your continued support for our school is greatly appreciated, and I look forward to working with the Chamber for many years to come to provide our students with the highest level of industry and employment knowledge and opportunities.

Sincerely yours

Guy Wright

IMPORTANT	COMING EVENTS
Mon Jun 5	Science HSC enrichment days UNE
Tue Jun 6	Year 9, 10, 11 Drama Eisteddfod
Fri Jun 9	NC cross country Murwillumbah
Fri Jun 9	CH Dance Eisteddfod
Mon Jun 12	Queens birthday public holiday
Mon Jun 12	CH Dance Eisteddfod
Tue Jun 13	P&C meeting
Thur Jun 15	Zone athletics
Jun 26-29	Work experience
Thur Jun 29	Talent quest
Fri Jun 30	Last day term 2
Fri Jun 30	Year 7-11 reports issued
Mon Jul 17	Term 3—staff development day
Tue Jul 18	Students return

The WHS P & C meets on the second Tuesday of every month at 6.30pm

BRAINSTORM PRODUCTIONS "CHEAP THRILLS"

On Tuesday, May 23rd, all of Year 10 were invited to be the audience for a one off travelling production from **the Brainstorm Productions** group called **"Cheap Thrills"**.

This one-man show dealt with the adolescent issues of:

- making choices
- risk taking
- responsibility and consequences
- safe partying and substance abuse such as alcohol, cigarettes, and marijuana and prescription drugs.

The actor played a 16-year-old boy and all the characters in his life - his mum and dad, his sister and his girlfriend. The production highlighted the issue of aggressive, drunk, disorderly behaviour from girls and boys and the dangers / consequences of photos being posted on Facebook or video footage ending up on YouTube.

The show was entertaining and engaged the Year 10 students for its entirety. Student and staff feedback was very positive and the school looks forward to hosting similar productions in the future as part of the Wellbeing Progam.





Careers Day

Over 220 Year 10 (and other invited) Woolgoolga High involved with School students are their annual Careers Day on Wednesday17th May 2017. School and community groups collaborated to provide access to more than 70 business delegates across a wide range of career fields. This partnership between Woolgoolga High School and the business community will significantly enhance the Year 10 Work Experience program for 160 plus students toward the end of June.

"There are a variety of career fields happening this year in which students have not previously expressed an interest. It's very exciting to hear from our continuing speakers and many new ones as well" co-organiser Megan Hart advised.

The Woolgoolga & Northern Beaches Chamber of Commerce, Deputy Principal Iain Henderson, Teacher-Librarian Megan Hart and the then Careers Adviser, Jeff Allen were involved in the initiation of this programme in 2011. From this beginning, a remarkable and successful partnership has developed enriching the lives and providing direction and encouragement for many of our youth.

For more information concerning our Career Program please contact Peter Burton Careers Adviser Woolgoolga High School.

Pictured top to bottom: QANTAS Flight Attendant Todd Giltinan and Deputy Principal Iain Henderson discuss future careers of students; Members of the Costas Group spoke in depth about the training expectations and job requirements in the new fields of farming and agriculture; Senior Constable Brooker provides an explanation of what

a Police Officer's job entails to students; Long-term presenter at WHS Careers Day Michael Featherstone discussed the training requirements and daily life as a Veterinarian.



















Year 7 students from the Gifted and Talented class in the Architect talk with Oliver Gee; Year 10 students listen to Martin Robinson at the Musician/Sound Engineer presentation; Andrea Hales from Woolgoolga Amcal speaking about what it means to be a Pharmacist; Detective Senior Sergeant Mark Griffith spoke to students about what a Forensic Scientist, Anatomist and Criminologist does and how to train for this interesting career; New presenter for 2017, Tyler Walsh from Woolgoolga NRMA had students fascinated at the Diesel and Car Mechanic seminars; Fashion Designer Kylee Burton presents an interesting talk with previous projects on display

CAREERS

SOUTHERN CROSS UNIVERSITY HEAD-START PROGRAM

Online registrations for the 2018 Head-Start Program are now open. Year 10 and 11 students are encouraged to consider registration at www.scu.edu.au/headstart

SCU Head-Start provides an opportunity for Year 11 and 12 students (HSC or QCE) to gain direct entry and advanced standing into a variety of courses offered at Southern Cross University. Free from university fees, the program offers successful applicants the chance to gain a taste of university life, stimulates their interest in academic pursuits and enhances their educational performance and long term aspirations.

The program has been designed for students who have the academic capability to succeed at university. Applicants will be selected on merit, based on their academic performance, a personal statement and the recommendation of their Principal.

YEAR 10 COFFS HARBOUR CAREERS EXPO

Seventy two Year 10 Woolgoolga High School students travelled to the Coffs Harbour Race-course to participate in the 12th annual Careers Expo on Thursday 25th May 2017. A total of 1500 students from 20 high schools across the Coffs-Clarence region attended to raise awareness and the aspirations of different career pathways, university courses and Try-a-Trade activities.

Throughout the day, 60 career champions show-cased careers in their industry. Showcases:

- included activities and displays that assisted the interaction/engagement of students;
- demonstrate the range of occupations within the industry;
- provide information on learning pathways and support available.

The career showcases were supported by Health Careers Workshops and Professional Services Career Workshops. These workshops included 10 minute career conversations in small groups of 10-12 students.

Health Careers Workshops were arranged in conjunction with the Mid North Coast Local Health District and included the following health professions:

Aboriginal Health, Aged Services, Chiropractic Home and Community Care, Medical Radiation Science, Nursing and Midwifery, Nutrition and Dietetics, Occupational Therapy, Medicine, Paramedic Pharmacy, Physiotherapy.

Professional Services Career Workshops included the following professions:

Architecture, Accounting, Banking, Engineering, Environmental Management, Law, Surveying and Veterinary Science.

Many thanks to the Coffs Harbour City Council for sponsoring the event.

THE 2018 SCHOLARSHIPS AND CADETSHIPS FOR FUTURE TEACHERS HAVE OPENED!

- https://www.teach.nsw.edu.au/getpaidtostudy/teacher-education-scholarships
- https://www.teach.nsw.edu.au/getpaidtostudy/teacher-education-scholarship-aboriginal
- https://www.teach.nsw.edu.au/getpaidtostudy/teach-rural-scholarships
- https://www.teach.nsw.edu.au/getpaidtostudy/internships

UAC NEWS MARCH 2017: http://www.uac.edu.au/media-hub/uacnews/2017/March.shtml







Year 11 Community and Family Studies





Over the last four months students in Community and Family Studies have been learning about Resource Management and Individuals and Groups. With these topics we have had the opportunity to undergo practical activities that involve decision making and using resources wisely. One activity was deciding on a recipe, ordering the right amount of ingredients and having to write up a recipe. We then had to work in a group and prepare a dish in a set time frame.





YEAR 9 FILM-MAKING WORKSHOP

On Wednesday 17th May, Year 9 photography students were lucky enough to attend a workshop aimed at inspiring and developing their skills in Film-making.

Presenters from Screenwaves and Headspace outlined the processes required to create a short film, showing young people how to write, shoot and edit their own films. They are encouraged to enter their own creations into this year's '[REC] Ya Shorts' Youth Film Festival which will be screened in September. The main aim of the festival is to foster creativity, originality in young people, whilst focusing on the importance of positive mental health.

The theme this year is CONNECTION and the Film competition is open for young people 12-25. There are great prizes up for grabs, including a Digital Camera Kit, courtesy of Australia's leading cinema camera company, Blackmagic Designs; Film courses with Australia's most prestigious film school, The Australian Film, Television & Radio School in Sydney and more!

The competition is open to any students (not just current Photography students). Submissions close on the 31st August, with the Finalists films exhibited in September at CEX Coffs Harbour. See the Art Department for more details.





The ewes are lambing at the Ag Farm

Years 7 & 8 Debating

A massive congratulations and well done on your first debate. Both teams showed impeccable debating skills! Thank you to Mr Blair and the audience. We couldn't have run the debate without all of you.



ALGEBRAICS ANONYMOUS

Support for senior students needing help with algebra

Algebra is the language of mathematics and fluency in that language is key to your success in maths, science, engineering and many other fields.

Senior students wanting to improve their algebra can come to Algebraics Anonymous in period 4 each Wednesday in room 22. This is a relaxed and informal workshop-style setting in which we work together to make you more skilled and confident in algebra. There is no fee, entrance test or need to complete a permission note; just turn up. You can bring algebra problems you're working on in your subjects or we can work on other problems together.

If you would like more information or can't make the Wednesday session, please contact Mr Young in the maths staffroom.



ASK YOUR MATHS TEACHER FOR YOUR FREE MATHSONLINE PASSWORDS.

Mathsonline are offering a free trial for several months so grab your password and go.

http://mathsonline.com.au/? gclid=CI2HromywsMCFQYGvAodUGgAqA

YEAR 10 FRASER ISLAND EXCURSION PAYMENT SCHEDULE

Monday 18-22 September 2017

We hope that by assisting you to make regular payments, families can avoid the strain of having to make large payments near the due date. Alternatively, after the initial deposit, students could make weekly payments of \$25 in the same time frame.

Deposit due: Friday 17 Feb - \$50

Payment 2: Friday 3 March - \$50

Payment 3: Friday 31 March - \$100

Payment 4: Friday 5 May - \$100

Payment 5: Friday 2 June - \$100

Payment 6: Friday 30 June - \$100

Final payment: Friday 11 August \$125





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29/5/2017

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

I am excited to announce that the Year 9 excursion to Tallebudgera Active Recreation Centre is now open for payments. Students who handed in their expression of interest can now secure their place on the excursion with a fifty-dollar deposit. Please note that <u>students need to get approval from Mr Pursch</u> to ensure they are eligible for the excursion. The excursion can be paid for by instalments if desired with a final payment to be made by Friday 25th of August. Payments can be made to the front office or by using the "make a payment" button from the Woolgoolga High School website http://www.woolgoolga-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/home

Tallebudgera Active Recreation Centre

Dates: Term 4, Week 2, Monday 16/10/17 to Wednesday 18/10/17

Location: 1525 Gold Coast Hwy, Palm Beach QLD 4221

Cost: \$275

You may have seen the impressive facilities of Tallebudgera Active Recreation Centre when driving over the Tallebudgera Creek Bridge on the Gold Coast. It is located on the doorstep of beautiful Tallebudgera Beach, surrounded by the pristine Tallebudgera Creek, and Burleigh Head National Park. They offer quality accommodation, facilities, meeting spaces, instructor-led activities and delicious healthy catering. They promote safe and exciting participation in outdoor recreation and have all the skills to deliver the ideal experience for your children. Some of the activities on offer can be found at: http://www.npsr.qld.gov.au/get-active/recreation-centres/activities/

Students are required to bring:

Clothes for three days including a raincoat

Towels, linen or sleeping bag and a pillow case

Swimmers, swim shirt, sunscreen, sunglasses, hat

Toiletries

Kind Regards

Robert Pursch Year 9 Adviser 2017 02 66541500 0451400820 Robert.pursch1@det.nsw.edu.au

Squash Congratulations

Just Boasting

To begin, it is probably important to explain the title. This newsletter article is about squash and a boast is a type of squash shot. There have been three squash events this term. The first was the Coffs Harbour Secondary Schools Challenge, followed by the Combined High School squash competition and the most recent was the North Coast selection trials. Woolgoolga High School students were successful in all three events.

The first photo is of Damon Striegher, Lachie Rook, Jacob Roberts and Ethan Striegher with a perpetual shield because they won the U15 competition in the Secondary Schools Challenge! This competition is open to all Coffs Harbour High Schools, both public and private. WHS has a long tradition of winning the opens division of this competition with at least six wins in a row when Tamika Saxby (who has since achieved a top 50 world ranking) was attending our school. This, however, was the first win in the U15 division. Congratulations also extend to Luke Taylor, Chase Saban, Jo Murray and Lachlan Moriz for their efforts during the competition.

The next event was the Combined High School opens competition. It was almost the same U15 team that competed in the opens division with Dempsey Sodeau moving into the team. The team progressed through to the final where they came up against far more experienced Coffs Harbour High School players. The WHS team went down in straight sets but can be proud of their efforts for coming second in the CHS zone.

The North Coast trials enabled Ethan Striegher and Lachie Rook to be selected for the U15 state trials in Sydney. Further congratulations extend to Lachie Rook who made the North Coast Opens team. He is the youngest player from Woolgoolga High School to make the team, a remarkable achievement for a student who has only just started playing and who does not even own a squash racket. We wish you the best of luck in the next events.

Special thanks to all the parents for their assistance with transport and support.

Congratulations to all.

Robert Pursch





Congratulations Ally!



Congratulations to Ally Cork of Year 7 who represented Woolgoolga High School at the NSWCHS All-schools Canoeing Championships, held on the Nymboida River last month. Ally competed in many of the White Water Kayaking events achieving the following outstanding results:

Gold (1st) Slalom

Silver (2nd) Slalom Teams, White Water Sprints

Bronze (3rd) Down River Race

Ally's overall performance was so impressive she was crowned the "Sub Junior Girl Champion" of the North Coast athletes.

Well done Ally!



2017 SPORT CARNIVAL DATES

SPORT	DATE	CARNIVAL	VENUE	TERM
CROSS COUNTRY	Fri 9 June	NC Regional Cross Country	Murwillumbah	2
	Fri 21 July	NSW State Cross Country	Eastern Creek	3
ATHLETICS	Wed 3 May Thur 4 May	School Athletics Carnival - Day 1 School Athletics Carnival - Day 2	Woolgoolga Sports Ground	2
	Thur 15 June	MNC Zone Athletics Carnival	Coffs Harbour Interna- tional Stadium	2
	Fri 4 Aug	NC Regional Athletics Carnival	Lismore	3
	Wed 6 Sept to Fri 8 Sept	CHS State Athletics Carnival	Homebush	3

PLEASE NOTE: DATES AND VENUES ARE CORRECT AT TIME OF PRINTING BUT ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE. PLEASE CHECK CLOSER TO EVENT.



Ideas for Parenting Teens

This is a three-hour interactive seminar on how to effectively communicate and set boundaries with your teenager.

Parents of teenagers will learn:

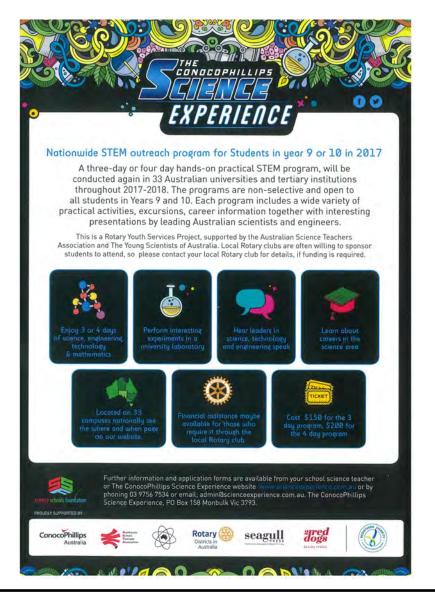
- to feel more confident in raising teenage children
- about normal adolescent development
- skills to communicate and negotiate with teenagers

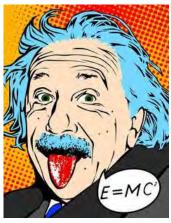


Bookings Essential - Phone 6659 4150









Woolgoolga Public School

PEC Fundraising Trivia Night

Saturday 17th June 2017 Yeates Hall Woolgoolga Public School 6.30pm

Maximum 8 people per table.... \$10 a head Book your table now at Woolgoolga Public School front office or on 6654 1307

Come along and join in the fun!!!!!!



SATURDAY 24TH JUNE FROM 7PM TO 9:30PM

WOOPI COMMUNITY CEILIDH DANCE

Yeates Hall, Woolgoolga Public School Scarborough St, Woolgoolga

All are invited to a fun night of dance, hosted by the Coffs Coast Scottish Country Dancers. Ceilidh (pronounced "kay-lee") dances are partner or group dances moving to rollicking music with a Scottish flavour.

Entertainment and light refreshments are also provided.

Entry: \$5 per person or \$12 per family.

If you have further enquiries, phone 6651 6909 or email CCSCD@aapt.net.au

Raising funds for Woolgoolga Scouts

"A Cèilidh is a traditional Scottish or Irish social gathering. In contemporary usage, it involves playing Gaelie folk music and dancing." (Wikipedia)

You're walked through the moves before each dance and helpful hints will be called out throughout the dance. It's a relaxed opportunity to meet and dance with a lot of people, friends old and

Everyone can take part at the Ceilidh, young or old, expert or novice and even those with two left feet! No experience

COFFS COAST SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCERS

Three classes each week CCSCD@aapt.net.au

Watoto Children's Choirs have travelled extensively since 1994, sharing a message of hope for Africa's orphans and widows. To date, the choir has toured six continents and performed to enthralled audiences in schools, retirement homes, churches, parliaments, state houses and royal palaces. The Watoto Children's Choir is a unique 'reaching out' tool. Reach people in your organisation, community or church. Address issues of global significance and fuel your missions or outreach program to care for the orphan and widow.

Each child in the Watoto Children's Choir has suffered the loss of one or both parents and now lives in a

Watoto village.

When: Wednesday, June 14 from 6pm

Woolgoolga Primary School Hall, Scarborough Street Woolgoolga

Cost: No charge. Merchandise is available for sale to

fund the choir directly.

Contact: Stacey

Manager, Lifehouse Op-Shop, Woolgoolga





Discover Engineering Coffs Harbour

A free forum for all high school students interested in learning about engineering as a career choice

- Why be an engineer?
- What do engineers do?
- What is it like to Study Engineering?
- How do you become an engineer?

Discover Engineering provides the opportunity for high school students interested in an exciting career in Engineering to hear real life experiences from young engineers across the various engineering disciplines who will share their career path and practical first hand knowledge. Representatives from the TAFE and University will also be available to advise on course information.

Tuesday 6 June 2017, 6.30pm - 8.30pm

Coffs Ex-Services Club 1 Vernon Street, Coffs Harbour Enquiries: 02 4911 7310

This is a free event. Light refreshments will be served. Registration is essential for catering purposes

Register online

Other locations for Discover Engineering 2017 Port Macquarie | South Grafton | Ballina



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Homestay Hosts Wanted

We are looking for caring families and individuals to provide a wonderful home away from home for international students attending Woolgoolga High School.

Must be able to provide meals and a Working With Children Check.

Hosts receive \$285 per week for a single room. Short (1 term) to long (4 terms) stays are available.

Apply online at www.staydownunder.com.au

For further information contact Stay DownUnder on (02) 8901 4499

Or school co-ordinator Ms Genette Maniatis (02 6654 1500)



WANTED



- Seeking Host families for Rotary International High School student from Denmark
- 15 years old female Year 10 Woolgoolga High School student
- 3- 4 months in your home
- Commencing in Year 10 July 2017
- Woolgoolga Rotary Club provides some funds to host families to assist with costs of student.
- Working with Children Check will be required

Enquiries: Patty Delaney 66 542185

Mobile: 0467 072 905

email:delaney_patty@hotmail.com

MONSTER AUCTION



Woolgoolga Rotary Auction of used household goods takes place the first Saturday of every month except January for small goods, furniture and a whole lot of mixed items. Location is the Rotary shed behind the CWA, next to the RSL club in Beach Street (parking available behind the RSL club). Come down to grab a bargain!

For further information visit http://woolgoolgarotaryclub.org.au/



Opening Hours

Monday to Saturday
7.30 to 9.30am - 4.00 to 6.00pm

Sunday - 4.00 to 6.00pm

Other Times By Appointment.

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Years 10, 11, 12 receive vouchers from



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Fawcett Street Woolgoolga

Phone: 6654 8989



Woolgoolga Pizza Place

Beach Street Woolgoolga *Phone 66542744*

Parent Online Payment (POP)

Now Available At Woolgoolga High School

A secure Westpac banking facility has now been added to the Woolgoolga High School website to allow parents/carers to make online Visa or Mastercard credit or debit card payments for things like voluntary school contributions, excursions, sporting activities or sales to students.

Look for the \$ Make a Payment button next to Contact Us at the top of our homepage.

For those experienced in paying online, the process will be familiar. Detailed instructions are available by opening the Parent Online Payment Instructions on the Information tab on our website.

We hope that you will find this payment option convenient. Payments can still be made at the Woolgoolga High School Office by cash, cheque or EFTPOS before school and during break 1.

http://www.woolgoolga-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/

Canteen—Eat Fresh

http://www.woolgoolga-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/parent-information See menu with price list on the school's website

Volunteers needed to serve in only 1 hour increments:

8.30am - 9.30am 11.00am - 12.00 noon 1.00pm - 2.00pm

If you can help please ring the school on 66541500 or follow the link on the school's website to complete the expression of interest.

