



WILLOUGHBY GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL

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NEWSLETTER

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AUGUST/SEPTEMBER 2018 CALENDAR

Week 6A 27-31 August

Monday 27

Tuesday 28 WGHS Fashion Parade

Wednesday 29 Year 11 Economic Incursion
Year 12 Physics Incursion

Thursday 30 Year 10 Be Street Smart Road Trauma Seminar

Friday 31 Year 9 Geography Excursion
Sydney North Athletics

Week 7A 03-07 September

Monday 03 Festival of Creative Arts Opening

Tuesday 04 Year 12 Music Recital

Wednesday 05 CHS Athletics
Year 10 PDM Guest Artist Workshop

Thursday 06 CHS Athletics
Year 9 Elective History Excursion

Friday 07 CHS Athletics
Legacy Day
Year 10 Silver Duke of Ed Test

(Red typeface denotes the event is open to the public)

Principal Message

It is that time of year when students and teachers are proud to showcase students' creative skills. I had the pleasure of attending the Year 11 Music performances last Tuesday night. Students in the preliminary Music 1 and Music 2 courses performed one piece each for an audience of parents, teachers and peers. The quality, as always, was excellent and I look forward to hearing these girls' progress when they present their HSC performance pieces this time next year.

I am looking forward to enjoying the **2018 HSC Music 1 and Music 2** performances on Tuesday 4 September at 7.00pm in the school hall. This is the students' final opportunity to perform for a live audience before their actual HSC performance examinations. Similarly, the HSC Visual Art major works will be on display in our annual **Creative Arts Exhibition**, which will be officially opened on Monday evening, 3 September. The exhibition also includes artworks from all other Year groups. This is a great opportunity for the school community to see the quality and variety of visual art produced by our students.

The annual **Fashion Parade** takes place on Tuesday 28 August in the school hall at 7.00pm. On show will be the various design and textiles items created by students from Years 7-11. The quality and range of creations is always outstanding. The HSC students' Textiles Technology major works have been submitted and sent to the marking centre, however, these will be on display early Term 4 when they are returned to the school after being assessed externally.

Year 12 students have completed their Trial HSC Examinations and are now focused on preparing for their HSC Examinations, which commence on October 18. All students are advised to take careful note of the feedback provided by their teachers, so they can build on their strengths and develop in areas that still need some work. The time between now and the beginning of the HSC should be used wisely, with an appropriate balance of study, exam practice, sleep, exercise, social activity and good nutrition. Attendance at all regular classes is also required.

School Uniform

The P&C handover of the Uniform Shop to Noone has been finalised. All uniform items can be purchased directly from Noone at 73 Dickson Avenue, Artarmon, phone: 9436 1700 to check opening hours. Information about second hand uniform items will be provided in the next newsletter, or on the P&C section of the School website, as soon as details are confirmed.

Elizabeth Diprose
Principal



WGHS P&C



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Next P & C
Meeting
Tuesday
21 August 2018

- ✓ Please **follow our Facebook page** to stay informed of interesting things happening in the parent community. You don't have to be a Facebook member to access the page.
- ✓ All **parents are welcome at P&C meetings**, held twice per term at 7.00pm in the staff common room. (Access via front door).
- ✓ Any queries or matters to be raised can be raised via the Secretary at the above email address at **any time**.

Careers Newsletter Update Term 3 2018

Year 12 will be given their UAC guides upon return from the HSC Willoughby Trial Examinations. Each student is advised to read the UAC guide thoroughly and adhere to any timelines for applications to University through this admissions process.

Friday 28th September is the on- time due date for registration with UAC and includes a fee of \$70. Students may change their preferences at any time leading up to the date stipulated by UAC for the offer rounds.

Remember if you are looking to apply to interstate Universities (except ACT) you will need to submit applications to each state's admissions centre.

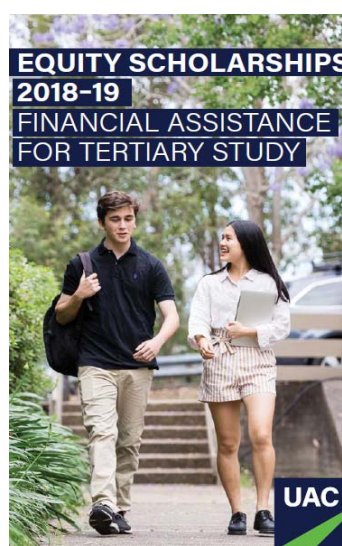
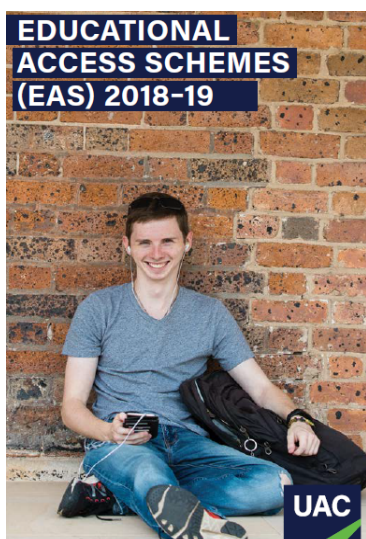
Ms Morris will be holding some "How to apply" sessions in Term 3 at lunchtimes. Please attend one of these sessions if you are looking to apply to University for 2019.

Ms Morris
Careers



Current 2018 Year 12 students receiving their UAC guides

A reminder that this year Educational Access Scheme applications will be made online through UAC. This is for students that have experienced Long Term Disadvantage within the last two years. You are encouraged to apply if you are eligible.



Please go UAC website for any further details and publications
<http://www.uac.edu.au/>

Year 8 Wellbeing Day

During the end of Term 2, Year 8 experienced a Wellbeing Day filled with fun activities to partake in. These included a picnic, a Zumba session and a play, which we watched on internet use.

Having had probably too many unhealthy snacks during the picnic, the Zumba class was a great way to get our hearts pumping, with everyone dancing and singing to songs that they love! The play was interesting and humorous, and taught us many aspects of safe technology use. Overall, it was an amazing day for Year 8!

Olivia
Year 8 student



SRC Breakfast Seminar at Abbotsleigh



Fashion Parade

The Annual TAS departments fashion parade is on Tuesday 28 August 2018. Light supper from 6.30pm with parade starting at 7.00pm in the Multipurpose Hall.

Come along and see a range of students garments from Years 7-11

Cheryl Blomfield
Head Teacher TAS



Year 10 Food Tech

Term 2 proved to be a little difficult for practical lessons due to a large number of interruptions, so the students were unable to complete the practical assessment task until week 2 of Term 3.

The students thoroughly enjoyed preparing the High Tea and took great pleasure in presenting the finger food to the highest standard. The students are encouraged to demonstrate a range of skills and not be frightened to experiment or try new menu items.

Although this task was complex, everyone enjoyed it and the girls celebrated each other's success.



Cathy Davies
TAS



Year 10 Food Tech

During Term 3, the Year 10 Food Tech students will be studying Food for Special Occasions. Having completed a unit on Food Equity in Term 1, I feel this unit is almost to the opposite extreme.

During Term 4, we will be visiting The Apprentice Restaurant at Ultimo TAFE for lunch, where the students will experience fine dining. Silver service will be demonstrated by the staff.

During this term we will prepare a dish from each course. On 14th August, Year 10 Food Tech 2, prepared the main course of Stuffed Chicken Roll with Basil Couscous.

Why not ask your daughter to prepare it for you - she is very capable!!!



ICAS Science Competition

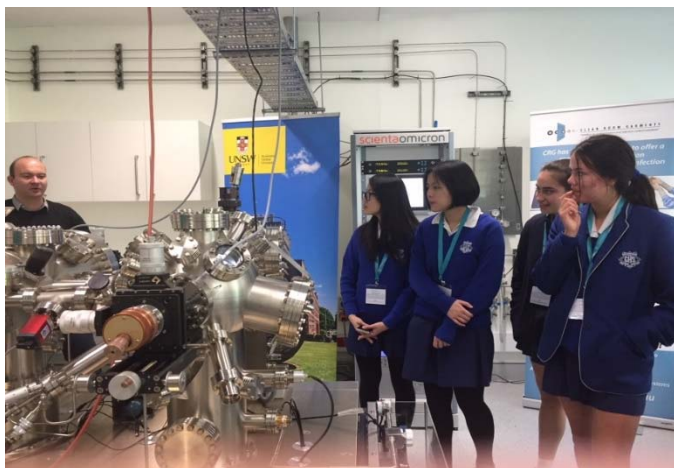
In Term 2, 74 students from Years 7 – 11 sat the ICAS Science competition. This test assesses students' skills in the key scientific areas of observing and measuring, interpreting data, applying data, investigating and higher-order skills including reasoning and problem solving. Of these students, 9 achieved a Distinction, 21 a Credit and 13 a Merit certificate.

Congratulations to the following students who gained a Distinction – Freya (Year 7), Joh and Joy (Year 8), Anjali, Lisa, Monique and Lara (Year 9) and Portia and Ella (Year 10)

Year 11 Physics visit to UNSW Quantum Computing Centre

On Thursday 9th August, four Year 11 Physics students and Ms Gulline attended a tour and workshop at the UNSW Centre for Quantum Computation and Communication Technology facility run by the current Australian of the Year Professor Michelle Simmons. We were treated to a detailed behind-the-scenes tour of this amazing facility by the students and researchers of the facility. We saw the state of the art laboratories where the silicon chips are produced and tried on the full body suits worn by the scientists to avoid any contamination. We even witnessed a real-time experiment where data from a single electron was being gathered!

In addition to the tour, there were presentations by Professor Simmons and Eddie Woo, demonstrations featuring electric fields and liquid nitrogen and a race to clean the silicon chip (we lost). It was an enjoyable and inspiring day meeting one of the leaders in this field who happens to also be an incredible Australian woman



Charlotte, Daphne, Ingrid and Jasmin:
near a device capable of manipulating single atoms. It generates a vacuum better than in space and costs about a million dollars.

Professor Michelle Simmons, Australian of the Year



Year 7 Gala Touch Football





COMMUNITY NOTICE BOARD

FREE FAMILY INFORMATION EVENING

STUDENTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE IN 2018/19

Student Exchange Australia New Zealand is a not-for-profit organisation, registered with all state and territory Departments of Education around Australia and with the Ministry of Education in NZ. We are the first and only secondary exchange organisation in Australia and New Zealand to be certified to ISO 9001 (Quality Management System) and we ensure the highest standards of care and support to our participants.

We would like to invite your students and families to a FREE Information Evening in Sydney on
Thursday, 23rd August.

The session is being held at the Adina Apartment Hotel Sydney, Corner Kent & Bathurst St, Sydney and starts at 7:00pm.

Students can find out more about our exchange programs to over 25 countries, listen to former exchange students share their experience and learn about our scholarships and discounts on offer.

We offer scholarships and discounts worth over \$100,000 to students each year. All scholarships are valued at either A\$2,500 (semester program) or A\$3,500 (year program) each.

- 3 Language Scholarships
- 3 International Affairs Scholarships
- 3 Volunteer and Community Involvement Scholarships
- 2 Australian Ambassador Scholarships
- 3 Digital Video Scholarships

"You come back a different person, with so much more confidence & you feel that you can conquer the world" Jessica, Semester Program to Italy

FREE STUDENT EXCHANGE INFORMATION EVENING IN SYDNEY

Hear from returned students, find out more about discounts and scholarships available and ask questions.

Thursday, 23rd August - 7.00pm

Adina Apartment Hotel Sydney,
Cnr Kent & Bathurst Streets

Visit www.studentexchange.org.au
or call 1300 135 331 for more information

