One of the student leadership initiatives that we have at the school is a regular working breakfast with the Captains and Vice-Captains and the SRC staff leader – Mrs Haggar. Each term we meet for breakfast at a local cafe to plan major student initiatives for the following term. This term, one of the major events is market day. This is a wonderful opportunity for the students and staff to come together and celebrate the cultural diversity of our school. More information in regards to the structure of the day and the various market opportunities will come later in the term.

I also had a wonderful experience going on a “Learning Walk” throughout the school last Friday. A “Learning Walk” is where I have the opportunity to visit classrooms and see the incredible work that is taking place in the learning spaces within the school. First stop was a PDHPE class where students were using wheel boards to play basketball. I then moved on to the Science area where students were learning all about magnets. I then had the pleasure of visiting a hospitality room where some delicious cooking was taking place. I was then drawn to the WHSPAC where the Year 8 students were rehearsing for their showcase performance. Finally, I visited a Year 7 Maths class and looked at all the wonderful work they were doing in regards to measurement. This is an incredible place to work where right throughout the day you can experience some amazing teaching and learning that is taking place.

It has been Music Showcase fortnight over the last two weeks. I have been amazed at the level of talent from our musicians with genres ranging from classical to jazz and everything in between. Our students are so fortunate to work with such dedicated staff who give so freely of their time to extend and develop skills that will stay with these students for life. To the many parents who attended over these two weeks, I thank you for your support of the school and the programs on offer.

A very big thanks to Mrs Woods, Mr Richards and Mrs Ireland for their amazing work with the re-branding of Dance at WHSPA. Last Sunday night, the 2018 Dance launch was held in the WHSPAC. It was standing room only and the initiatives that were revealed offer a multi-layered approach of support for our dancers. Also, a big thank you to the parents who have contacted me outlining their thanks and support for the program.

Paul Ryan
Principal
Realignment of the Memorial Drive off ramp to North Wollongong
The Roads and Maritime Services is planning to upgrade the northbound off ramp from Memorial Drive to the Princes Highway to improve traffic efficiency. The work will involve widening the existing ramp from three to four lanes and reconfiguring the intersection to allow dual right and left turns onto the Princes Highway from Memorial Drive.

Work started on 7 November 2017 and is expected to take around 12 months to complete. Working hours will be 7am to 5pm, Monday to Friday, however there will be times when night work is required. We ask that students and parents be aware of the increase vehicle movement on Foley’s Lane and to take care when travelling to and from school, especially if walking down Foley’s Lane.

Ruth Ellevsen
Deputy Principal (Relieving)

COSI
Performed by WHSPA’s Senior Company G, Louis Nowra’s vibrant play COSI challenges our perceptions about love, madness and politics.

Set inside a psychiatric institution in 1971, Lewis, a young director, takes on the task of putting on a production of Mozart’s Cosi Fan Tutte in the burnt-out theatre with some of the colourful patients as a way of therapy to bring them out of their shells. Nowra uses humour, irony and cynicism to blur the boundaries and subvert the distinctions between madness and sanity as the operatic production lurches forward and anti-Vietnam protests rage outside the asylum.

The Cast:
Lewis - Robert Coleman
Roy - Harrison Covetz
Doug - Michael Smith
Cherry - Keely Honner
Ruth - Annabelle Scobie
Julie - Darcy Scrine
Henry - Georgia Cross
Justine/Zac - Georgia Tolman
Lucy - Rebekah Worley
Nick - Lachlan Grogan

Directed by Rosanna Goderie

Rosanna Goderie
Teacher Performing Arts
Performing Arts…cont’d

Dance Launch
On Sunday 12 November we held our 2018 Dance Launch. Attended by 300 parents and students it provided us with an opportunity to outline the 2018 schedule and the new changes to our Dance programs. For further information contact Chris Richards.

Welcome to our new partner in our 2018 Dancer Wellness Program announced at last night’s Dance launch.

A program that is all about dancer wellness – physical, mental, emotional health. The package will provide 2 musculoskeletal (physical and performance) screenings throughout the year to capture data on current physical profile and to monitor physical student development. BaiMed staff will facilitate strength and conditioning sessions during school sport time where students will have access to a weekly injury clinic at the school along with allocated time for students to complete their individual corrective exercises in a safe and supervised environment – this will be stretching, foam rolling, activation and strength exercises. The program will include a Dietician to assist students nutritional education.

Welcome on board in this exciting new initiative.

Congratulations to the following students

Congratulations to Ella Grafenauer Parker and Madison Ballard the recipients of the 2018 Dance scholarship awards.

Good luck to our featured dance artists participating at this year’s Schools Spectacular -

- Soraya Zapata
- Nekeisha Vos
- Tara Lide

Congratulations to the Year 12 class of 2017 on receiving 46 HSC Callback nominations. Wishing them all the best in their future.

In Motion Showcase
Our Pre-Professional Dance Company recently held In Motion a showcase of the three-works created by our artist in residence industry professional choreographers Thomas Bradley, Sarah Boulter and Michelle Forte. A special mention to Ms Ireland the company director for coordinating this sold out event.

Chris Richards
HT Performing Arts
Careers Happenings

Please read the current Careers Happenings. If you are interested in any of the activities below and are needing further information then please see Ms Clancy – Careers Adviser (office in the back of the Library) or phone her on 42298644 or email at jennifer.clancy@det.nsw.edu.au

- Year 11/12 – Registrations are now open for the 2018 UOW Discovery Day. WHSPA are attending on Wednesday 7 February. Suggest that if you haven’t already registered that you do so ASAP. Password for registering is faculty853. Registrations close on Tuesday 28 November but please don’t leave it until the last minute.
- Considering leaving school at the end of this year - Wollongong City Council (WCC) currently has 2 apprenticeship opportunities – Mobile Plant Mechanic and Plumbing. Applications close on Monday 20 November. See Ms Clancy for more details. She also has traineeship and apprenticeship vacancy information from Sarina Russo Apprenticeships and WPC Group if you are interested.
- 2018 Pre Apprenticeship Carpentry Course at TAFE – Testing day Thursday 25 January – needing more information then see Ms Clancy
- Year 10 – Work Experience – packages available from outside Ms Clancy’s office. Make sure that you read through ALL the instructions and follow required procedures. Remember NO paperwork (fully completed) = NO go on Work Experience
- SBAT opportunity – Reece are currently offering a Cert 11 in Warehousing Operations – role is a combination of Warehousing and Retail Skills – if interested see Ms Clancy or Mr Dempsey for further details ASAP
- Treetop & Zipline Adventure – Friday 1 December – Experience the Treetop walk and Zipline. Spend the day with current Defence Force Staff, have the opportunity to ask questions and get a feel for lifestyle in the ADF. Lunch provided. See Ms Clancy for further details
- Park Engineering – 2018 Apprenticeship – Fitting/Machining – Trade Certificate – if you are interested then see Ms Clancy for an information flyer
- Workplace Learning Illawarra – like their facebook page or even just contact them as they are a great source to assist with apprenticeships and traineeships

Jenny Clancy
Careers Advisor
The students were also able to participate in installations and a Virtual Reality experience. The experience broadened their notion of how artistic practice and audience engagement has changed over time.

Anna Peterson
Visual Arts Teacher

On Thursday 16 November some of our best Mathematics students from Year 10 and Year 11, accompanied by Mrs Price and Mr Dion, joined students from all public schools in the Illawarra to travel to Sydney for a ‘Maths Day with Adam Spencer and Eddie Woo’.

Eddie Woo, the Head Teacher Mathematics at Cherrybrook High School, star of the ‘Wootube’ Youtube channel, Teacher of the Year and ‘local hero’ started the day with the theme ‘What is Maths, Really?’.

The students soon discovered that ‘Maths is Play, Maths is Exploration, Maths is Story’.

This theme was continued in the afternoon when Adam Spencer, author, Mathematician and radio personality, through the use of puzzles got all students and teachers to stretch their brains solving some very tricky puzzles from his new book ‘The Number Game’.

We all had a great day and came away enthused about Mathematics.

Sharon Price
Head Teacher Mathematics

It has been another busy month of sport a WHSPA.

- Seven students attained zone blues for sport at the recent South Coast Blues Assembly. These were:
  - Jasmine Limon (soccer)
  - Luke Hince (athletics)
  - Noah English (baseball)
  - Zac Rouse (tennis)
  - Bronte Young (basketball)
  - Jayda Elliot (basketball)
  - Jackie Lenartowicz (athletics)

- Congratulations also to Jessie Sheridan-Moules who was our sport star of the month for October. Jessie recently participated at the national Judo championships in Adelaide where she won gold medals in the 16 year girls, open girls and open woman’s 70 kilos class.

- Bronte Jolly is currently away representing the South Coast in waterpolo and Tane Nunn has just returned from a week representing South Coast in the CHS cricket carnival.

- Eve Dowley has just competed in New Zealand in the junior snowboarding competition where she placed 1st in the Half Pipe and 2nd in the Slopestyle and Freeride.

- Well done to all students who participated in the Sport Committee’s PAYMAT (Put Away Your Mobiles And Talk) day. The winners of the raffle prizes were Stefan Bota (year 7), Remi Morgan (year 8), Lauren Eager (year 9), Olivia Dileva (year 10) and Tamara Lilliendal (year 11). Each winner won a $30 Rebel voucher.

- Sports Committee are looking forward to holding Chloe Saxby’s fundraiser on Monday 20 November.

- Our annual Sports Presentation assembly is also coming up on the 7 December at 12am in the hall. Invitations to award winners and their families will be going out shortly.

Trevor Burnett
PDHPE Teacher
Make Online Payments

It is now possible for parents to make online payments to the school for amounts owing for students, via a secure payment page hosted by Westpac. Payments can be made using either a Visa or MasterCard credit or debit card, and can be made via computer, tablet or mobile phone. The payment page is accessed from the front page of the school's website by selecting $Make a payment$.

Items that can be paid include voluntary school contributions, subject contributions, excursions, sales to students and creative and practical arts activities (these include band, drama and dance). There is also a category called 'Other'. This is to cover items not covered in the previous headings. ‘Other’ can be used to make a complete payment of a school invoice.

When you access the $Make a payment$ you must enter:

- the students name, and
- date of birth.

These details are entered each time you make a payment as student information is not held within the payment system.

This is a secure payment system hosted by Westpac to ensure that your credit/debit card details are captured in a secure manner, these details are not passed back to the school.

You have the ability to check and change any details of the payment before the payment is processed. Receipts can be emailed and/or printed.

Details of the payments are passed daily to the school where they will be receipted against your child’s account. As a receipt has been issued from the payment page a further receipt will not be issued by the school.

For any enquiries regarding the Online Payment process please contact the School Administration Office.

Payments by CREDIT CARD, CASH or CHEQUE can still be made in person at the Front Office or Student Central.

For more information please do not hesitate to contact the school on -
(02) 4229 6844 or (02) 4229 6434
DANCE
Wollongong High School of the Performing Arts

2017 DANCE SHOWCASE
We would like to invite staff, students, family and friends to come support the wonderful body of work from the 2017 dance season.

The Dance Showcase program contains incredibly high-quality dance works drawn from the 2017 class work and company season

Wednesday November 29,
Thursday 30 & Friday 1 December
Matinees Period 1&2
Evenings 6:30 pm
WHSPAC

If staff wish to obtain a matinee or evening ticket contact Lynne Kerr. Parents can contact Lynne for matinee tickets. Evening tickets will be available Monday 20th November on the school website when the program is released.

Chris Richards
Parent Information

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rosanna.goderie2@det.nsw.edu.au  
First point of contact for ANY issues concerning students within their year group. |
| **Year 8 Year Advisor**                         | Laura Cram  
laura.bingham8@det.nsw.edu.au  
First point of contact for ANY issues concerning students within their year group. |
| **Year 9 Year Advisor**                         | Michaela Chaffey  
Michaela.chaffey3@det.nsw.edu.au  
First point of contact for ANY issues concerning students within their year group. |
| **Year 10 Year Advisor**                        | Caitlin Griffiths  
caitlin.griffiths8@det.nsw.edu.au  
First point of contact for ANY issues concerning students within their year group. |
| **Year 11 Year Advisor**                        | Heidi Whelan  
heidi.whelan@det.nsw.edu.au  
First point of contact for ANY issues concerning students within their year group. |
| **Year 12 Year Advisor**                        | Kate Stehr  
kathleen.stehr1@det.nsw.edu.au  
First point of contact for ANY issues concerning students within their year group. |
| **Student Support Officer**                     | Michelle Montgomery  
michelle.montgomery6@det.nsw.edu.au  
Assist students by providing support to assist with their general wellbeing at school. |
| **School Counsellors**                          | Bronwyn Phils and Tanya Bertapelle  
bronwyn.phils@det.nsw.edu.au  
tanya.bertapelle1@det.nsw.edu.au  
Provide counselling within school for students who wish to engage in support. |
| **Learning and Support Teacher**                | Leanne King  
leanne.king1@det.nsw.edu.au  
Provide learning and support for students who are having difficulty with their general learning or have diagnosed learning conditions. |
| **Homework Club Co-Ordinator**                  | Blaire Marsh  
blaire.marsh@det.nsw.edu.au  
Co-ordinates the homework club and provides some 'one to one contact' with students needing assistance with their homework or assessment tasks. |
| **Head Teacher Wellbeing (Relieving)**          | Heidi Whelan  
heidi.whelan@det.nsw.edu.au  
Oversees the team and provides assistance to students, staff and parents when required. Point of contact for medical conditions of students. |
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