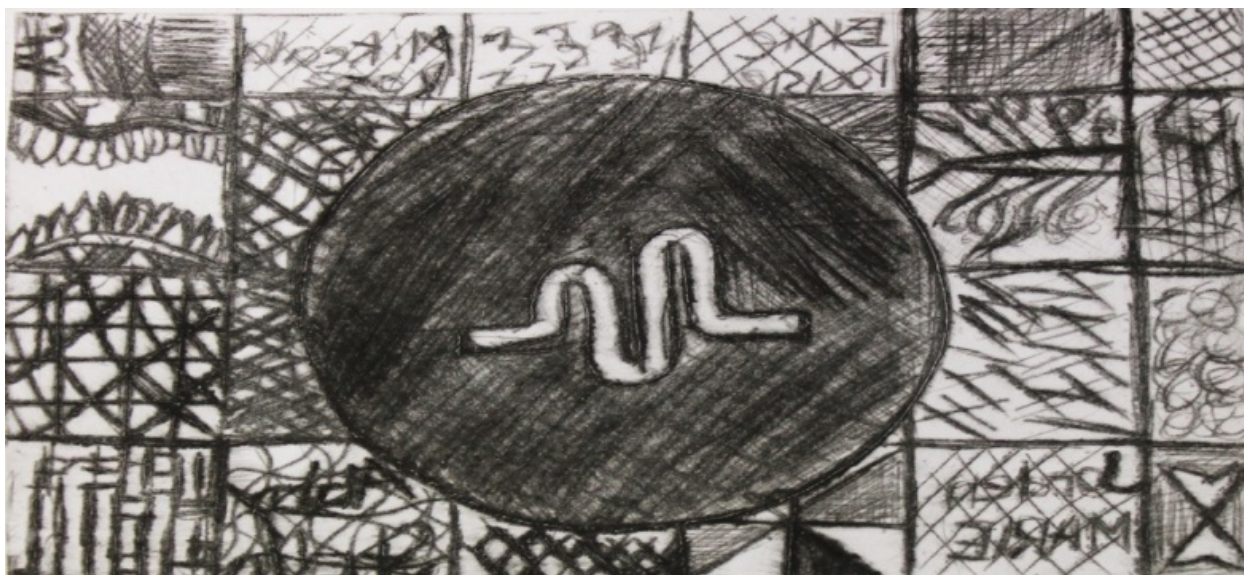


WILLYAMA WHISPERS – Term 2, Week 6, 3 June 2016

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Mandatory Year 8 Art Prints- check out the article inside!
Artists from top-bottom: Fletcher Kolinac, Kaitaia Clark and Jorden Ormsby

From the Principal's Desk

We have another entertaining and informative Whispers for you this fortnight covering a wide cross section of many of the wonderful things that have occurred in our great school. I'm sure I'm not the only one who really looks forward to seeing our new cover page each fortnight and the fantastic efforts that go into it by our students. In fact, our covers have been so inspirational our office ladies have made a growing display in our front office area. Well done to our Year 8 Art students this fortnight!

Seventeen of our Year 12 students have travelled to Dubbo this week to participate in valuable HSC enrichment seminars conducted by experts in a variety of their subjects. To add to their experience they also visited Charles Sturt University at Orange for a campus tour to check out facilities and university life in general. Thank you to Mr Anthony Tidball and Miss Kim Ashby for accompanying the students on the trip and our P&C association for providing funds to support this valuable excursion.

Well done to Chelsea Masclet, Abbey Stevens, Angel Simmons, Melisa Keenan, Taylor Demery, Eliza Cumming and Britney McInnes who represented West Darling SSA at CHS netball in Narrabeen last week. There has been a lot of positive feedback about the effort they put in and the way they conducted themselves. We are very proud of you. Thanks to Mrs Cassie Wells for organising and taking these girls away. This week we have also had a number of girls competing at CHS soccer at Cromer (Sydney). We look forward to hearing all about this trip on their return to school next week and reading about it in our next Whispers.

Well done to our contingent of teachers and students who supported a community effort in participating in the Salvation Army's Red Shield Appeal last Sunday. Our efforts in giving up a Sunday morning to knock on doors helped to raise close to \$13000 which will primarily support the ongoing operation of Algate House in Broken Hill.

We were very fortunate to have Paul Wade, former Australian Socceroos captain visit our school this week to speak with students and conduct some very worthwhile clinics. See inside this Whispers for more details and some great photos.

It is exciting to report that Vivos issued for following our school values of respect, responsibility and cooperation have climbed over 34000 this term so far. As well as access to items in the Vivo shop, these will also qualify students for the end of term rewards activity which is currently being decided upon. There is an upcoming focus on Right Place Right Time in the next couple of weeks.

West Darling cross country is now on Friday 17 June. Good luck to our participants. We know that you will give it your very best effort.

Half-yearly reports are currently being completed by teachers and are due to be posted home on the dates below. They will also be available on the parent and student portal as soon as they are finalised.

<i>3 June – Year 12</i>	<i>16 June – Year 11</i>	<i>24 June – Year 10</i>
<i>27 June – Year 9</i>	<i>28 June – Year 8</i>	<i>29 June – Year 7</i>

Please take the opportunity to come along and discuss your child's progress with their teachers at the appropriate parent teacher afternoons on the dates below.

Upcoming events:

8 June	P&C meeting (7pm)
16 June	Year 11 Crossroads Part II
17 June	West Darling cross country
21 June	Years 11/12 Parent Teacher afternoon (4-6pm)
24 June	Lorin Nicholson
26 July	Years 7-10 Parent Teacher afternoon (4-6pm)

Grant Shepherd
Principal

Origami Cranes for Peace

Japan Club is hoping to make 1000 paper cranes to send to Hiroshima, Japan to spread the message of peace. This week we began our quest by learning how to make them (it is harder than it looks). We all gave it a good go and hope to improve our technique over the coming months so that we can send the best looking cranes.



The thousand origami cranes were popularised through the story of Sadako Sasaki, a Japanese girl who was 24 months old when she was exposed to radiation from the atomic bombing of Hiroshima during World War II. Sasaki soon developed Leukaemia and, at age 12 after spending a significant amount of time in a nursing home, began making origami cranes with the goal of making one thousand in the prayer for peace. She folded only 644 before she became too weak to fold anymore. It is now a tradition for schools and individuals to send 1000 paper cranes to Japan in a message of peace.



Hamish Bolton

Over the next few months all are welcome to donate their own paper cranes or join Japan Club on Wednesdays at lunch to be part of this amazing project.

Origami - 折 Ori = fold

紙 Gami = paper



Team Willy Update!

First Robotics Competition – Duel Down Under

On Friday afternoons Year 10 students in the robotics team have been busy rebuilding our robot “Andy Mark 2”.

We are completely redesigning everything from the drivetrain to the robotic arm and hoping to be the team to beat in the Duel Down under competition in Sydney July 8-10.

The students met with Kimberly Fell from the Broken Hill Community Foundation who is contributing \$1000 (\$50 per student). We are very thankful for their support.

Come down to the Silver City Cinema and support Team Willy! Dual Down under Robotics Competition Fundraiser - Silver City Cinema, Thursday 9th June 2016, 7pm. Tickets are available on the night or get in early and pre-purchase tickets from team members, Miss Kelly or Mr Mann.

There will be a door prizes and raffle! Come dressed as your favourite turtle!



Pictured: Jacob Crawford, Ben Harvey, Mason Jones, Callum Hoskins, Nicholas Craven, Lachlan Edwards-Neal, Katie-Lee Crowe, Stevie Warburton, Sienna Sulicich, Hannah Evers, Elleisha Perry



Lachlan Edwards-Neal as Ninja Turtle

Learning Pit News!

Year 7 and 8 were thrown into the 'Learning Pit' on Tuesday 17 May, when asked by Mrs Kubiak to create a variety of 3D shapes with polydrons.

This was a very challenging task, however all boys were determined to get out of the pit and create the best 3D shape they could. They worked together, asked for help and had a lot of trial and error, but they all made it out and the result was amazing. The boys were very proud of making their efforts and enjoyed the challenge. Well done boys!!!



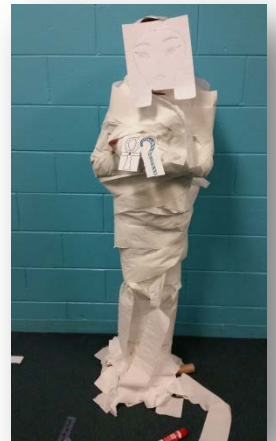
HSIE News!

It has been a very busy term for students in HSIE. The following is a small update on some of the great activities the students have been completing in Term 2.

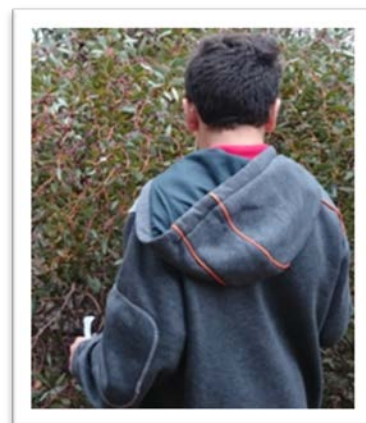
Year 7 finished looking at Ancient Egypt with a 'make a mummy' competition where, in groups, they had to turn one of their friends into a mummy using toilet paper. Many of the mummies were topped off with a mask fit for a Pharaoh and charms to match.



Year 8 - some Geography classes have been focusing on the practical side of geography the last few weeks, conducting fieldwork in and around the school. We began with an aim 'to identify the main physical and human features of the school environment.' This took us outside in Week 5 to analyse the school oval and walkways area. We used a range of data collection methods, including observations, field sketches and photographs. We then used this data to create a report on our school environment. A week later we took to the outdoor learning area to complete a comparative study and to see if this data gave us any further understanding of our environment.



Demi Crampton and Zoey Gasmier collecting data



Bailey Adams studying the local flora

Year 9 students have been looking at World War One. They recently completed an assessment task requiring them to write a letter from the perspective of an Australian soldier serving at Gallipoli. One of these letters is on display in the front office and is well worth a read if you are in the office.

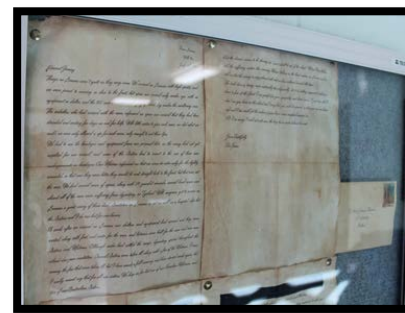


Image of Heaven Celotto's letter in the front office

Year 10 students have also been busy this term interviewing people for their second assessment task looking at Popular Culture. Year 10 students are now completing units of work on areas of interest that each particular class has demonstrated.

Image of Brittany Regan and Stevie-Lee Warburton examining what could be classed as ancient artefacts. The records, tapes and Polaroid cameras were looked at during the study of Popular Culture; technology and music.



Year 8 Mandatory Art (Featured on front page of Newsletter)

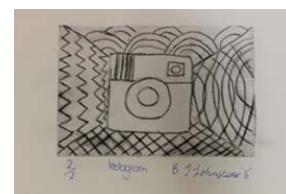
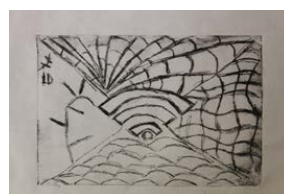
This Term students in Year 8 Mandatory Art have been looking at the art making process of Printmaking. The Printmaking topic has been combined with the art movement *Pop Art*.

Students have been asked to make drypoint etching prints using things that are 'popular' in 2016 culture. The results have included prints of Facebook, Instagram, Snapchat, musically, wifi, Coca-Cola, sporting legends and teams, and even BATMAN!

Photo-Year 8 Mandatory Art 5.



Artist from left: Ashli Fryer, Stephanie Reghenzani, Cian Ryan, Deaken Treloar, Erika Mason, Luke D'Ettorre, Bianca Johnstone.



Staff Profiles



Name: Kyle Mugridge

Where are you from? Cooma, NSW

What do you teach? TAS

What's your favourite food? Lamb cutlets

Chocolate or Vanilla? Vanilla

Favourite thing about Broken Hill? The people; It's such a unique place - so much history

If you had to travel anywhere in the world, where would it be? Europe

What sport code do you follow - which team do you follow?

Rugby (Union) NSW Waratahs Rugby (league) Sydney Roosters, AFL Hawthorn

An interesting fact about you: I am a qualified Diesel Mechanic



Name: Linda Dowd

Where are you from? Broken Hill

What do you do? School Administration Officer
- Front Office - Attendance/ First Aid Officer

What's your favourite food? Steak

Chocolate or Vanilla? Chocolate

Favourite thing about Broken Hill? Friendly people

If you had to travel anywhere in the world, where would it be? New Zealand – boiling mud, snow and lots of green – so I'm told

What sport code do you follow-which team do you follow? Collingwood/
Canberra /Waratahs

An interesting fact about yourself: Love car racing V8's, Formula and Nascar

Paul Wade Soccer Skills

On Monday 30 June Willyama High School was lucky enough to host former Socceroo's Captain Paul Wade. Paul was brought to town by the Broken Hill Soccer Association to run training sessions with their Juniors and Seniors, however he gave up some of his time to talk to students.

Through an interactive and fun presentation, Paul retold numerous employability and life skills stories and showed the many jerseys he has collected from international players. Paul talked about the transition from High School to adult life and skills such as Leadership, Decision Making, Goal Setting Resilience, Motivation and above all the importance of education, schools, teachers and family. All students were very much engaged and thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to get an autograph and grab a photo with a true legend of Australian sport.





Student Exchange

Free student online information session. The LIVE Online session gives students and families the opportunity to learn more about becoming an exchange student and the various scholarship options that are available in 2016.

Students can find out more about our exchange programs to over 26 countries, listen to former exchange students share their experience and learn about our scholarships and discounts on offer in 2016.

**FREE STUDENT EXCHANGE LIVE
ONLINE INFORMATION SESSION**

Hear from one of our staff members, find out more about discounts and scholarships available and ask questions.

Wednesday, 8th June at 5.30pm
or
Tuesday, 12th July at 7.30pm

Register online to reserve your place



www.studentexchange.org.au
1300 135 331 (cost of local call)

Fathering Tips

Teamwork is important in parenting. Having a consistent approach to routines (when to do homework, bedtimes, etc), discipline and social activities helps children have a more stable and predictable home life and discourages them from playing one parent off against the other.


- Back up your partner's decisions – if you have doubts about the decision, discuss it later with your partner in private
- Work with your partner as a parenting team – discuss and resolve issues together
- Be aware of your own and your partner's experiences of being parented

The FAST Centre




The FAST centre is open for all Willyama students on Monday and Wednesday afternoons from 3.30pm to 5.00pm and provides a great opportunity for students who may be having difficulty with assessment tasks or class work to receive extra assistance and tuition in any subject in a relaxed and resourceful environment.

PARENTS

Has your child's private tutor or coach had a **Working With Children Check?**



- Tutors must have a current WWCC
- Parents must verify the WWCC online
- Got a clearance? You're good to go!



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www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/parentscheckthecheck