Notes have already been given to students but if it has been lost there is a copy further on in this newsletter.

Our Thursday Interest groups continue to be very popular, with the far

Week 3 was full of teaching and learning - with a bit of fun as well.

On Tuesday's morning assembly, our house patrons did a fantastic job at motivating our students to attend our School Swimming Carnival, which is happening on Thursday 25th February at Riverstone Pool. Attendance at the carnival is compulsory as it is a normal school day.

There are events that all students may enter, suited to their ability. Students have the choice of leaving from school on a bus, which departs at 9am or go straight to the pools where staff will be on duty from 9am (but they should arrive no later than 9:20am).
majority of students volunteering to attend a group. I encourage parents to ask their children which group they attended and share in the positive experiences they are having at Windsor High.

Some of the groups include:

**Girls Netball**

![Girls Netball](image1)

**Boys Soccer**

![Boys Soccer](image2)

**Junior**

![Junior](image3)
Friday our HSC Drama class went to see ‘Onstage’ at the Seymour Theatre. Onstage gives students the opportunity to see performances of students that have achieved the highest marks for the HSC so that they may better prepare themselves for their own performances.

This week we are providing a great leadership opportunity for our SRC members by attending, at school, the High Resolves program. High Resolves runs innovative global citizenship and leadership programs in high schools to motivate and empower young people to make a difference. I look forward to reporting the results of this great program next week.

Can I take this opportunity to remind parents and caregivers of the high expectations we have of all Windsor High School students? Whether the student is travelling to school by bus, train, bike or walking, or if the student is at school or after school - while ever they are in school uniform there are expectations that they will act respectfully and responsibly. Any student who brings the school into disrepute will be dealt with by the schools discipline policy. This will ensure that the community values our school and the students that attend it.

OPEN NIGHT

Finally I would like to invite all parents to an Open Night—this Wednesday 17th February. The purpose of this night is for the Hawkesbury Community to have the opportunity to visit the school, see the great facilities and speak to students and staff about the opportunities provided by Windsor High School. If you have not had the opportunity to see the specialist rooms, please join us. Neighbours, family members and friends are welcome to join us. The Open Night will start at 5.30am with a brief presentation followed by tours of the school taken by our student leaders.

Look forward to seeing you all on Wednesday night.
2016 has got off to a flying start for the members of the Student Representative Council (SRC). We have been organising a variety of events within the school with an intended aim to raise needed funds for the SRC and to promote the school within the wider community. We have had our first major fundraising event for Term 1 which has been the selling of roses for Valentine’s Day with all proceeds going towards the refurbishment of the Student Leadership room in C Block.

Upcoming events that the members of the SRC will be taking part include the High Resolves – Step Up & Lead SRC workshop which is aimed at providing the students with the skills required to become future leaders of the school and community. Selected members of the organisation will also be taking an active part in a variety of different events and programs. Some of these include Clean Up Australia Day which will be held in March while Nathan Walker from Year 11 is currently producing a video for the SRC.

Recently the SRC conducted elections for delegation of roles and responsibilities within the organisation. The successful applicants are listed below-
Chairperson: Kimberley Edwards
Secretary: Deborah Phiri
Treasurer: Danny Lansdowne
General Assistant: Jarrod Blakemore
Event’sOrganiser: Jacqueline Van Trump
Corresponding Officer: Ryan Byrne
Year 8: Ben Tansey
Year 9: Analyse Steele
Year 10: Riley Hamilton
Year 11: Jade Taylor
Year 12: Gemma Healy
SRC Coordinator: Mr Zivkovic

CALENDAR

15/2 - 19/2 Yr 12 Work Placement (Vet Courses)
17/2 Windsor Open Night From 5.30pm
23/2 P & C Meeting 7pm
25/2 Swimming Carnival
26/2 Macquarie Cup
29/2-3/3 Yr 12 Academic Reviews
1/3 Yr 7 & Yr 11 Parent Teacher Evening (4.00-6.00pm)
2/3 Yr 7 Talk-Young people and police
3/3 School Photographs
3/3 Zone Swimming Carnival
7/3 - 18/3 Year 12 Half-Yearly exams
7/3 Yr 7 Talk-Drugs & Alcohol
14/3 Sydney West Swimming
15/3 - 18/3 Royal Easter Show - Goat Team
SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS WILL BE TAKEN ON: 03/03/2016

Dear Parents,

School photographs are scheduled to be taken by Advancedlife Photography.

Whilst an envelope and flyer will be distributed shortly, if possible it is our preference that ordering be completed online to reduce administration and potential security issues related to the return of cash and envelopes on photo day. Orders for packages and sibling photographs can be placed securely online at www.advancedlife.com.au using our school’s unique 9 digit Online Order Code. DH4 RP3 BLD

Portrait and group package orders are due by photography day.

Should you wish to purchase a sibling photograph online, the order must be placed no later than the day before photography day. Sibling photographs will only be taken if an order has been placed.

Should you have any queries concerning school photographs or online ordering, please direct them via email to enquires@advancedlife.com.au

ORDER NOW
WWW.ADVANCEDLIFE.COM.AU
Dear Parent,

The University of New South Wales is offering your child an opportunity to participate in the International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS).

ICAS assessments have taken place annually in schools for over thirty years and in twenty countries. Educational Assessment Australia (EAA), who design and deliver the assessments, is the not-for-profit arm of the University of New South Wales.

**ICAS:**
- is an annual skills development assessment program in key areas of learning for students in Years 2–12; assessments are available in Digital Technologies, English, Mathematics, Science, Spelling and Writing
- gathers performance information through a 30–60 minute supervised in-school test
- provides a continuous, independent and comprehensive record of a student’s performance, and maps their development over the full period of primary and secondary schooling
- enables the progress of each student to be mapped in each skill against their previous performance, demonstrating personal improvement no matter the starting point
- uses fellow students’ results as a reference point; results are mapped against all students sitting at the same year level in Australia
- provides an excellent preparation for national testing
- enables students at all levels of ability to participate; ICAS contains questions designed to specifically explore the abilities of students of all standards – this includes those of both lower and higher levels of achievement
- medals are awarded to the top students per state in each subject and year level (when sufficiently meritorious and the test was sat on the official sitting date)
- achievement certificates are awarded to all students at a range of levels:
  1. **High Distinction** to the top 1% of students
  2. **Distinction** to the next 10% of students
  3. **Credit** to the next 25% of students
  4. **Merit** to the next 10% of students
  5. **Participation** to all other students
- results are available to parents and students online; these online reports and analyses remain available indefinitely. ICAS reports indicate which questions were answered correctly, compare student performance to that of the other students tested and are highly suitable for inclusion in a student’s portfolio for future tertiary entrance or job opportunities
- entries are administered through the school, so teachers can also access the information

Please note that while all students are encouraged to participate, it is an expectation of the school that students currently in the Gifted and Talented stream take part in ICAS.

To enrol your child in ICAS, please complete the registration form overleaf and return it, with your entry fees, to your school by **Friday, 1 April, 2016**.

For more information about ICAS go to www.eaa.unsw.edu.au, contact Customer Service on (02) 8344 1010 or send an email to info@eaa.unsw.edu.au

Your child can also prepare for ICAS using Practice Online. Practice Online tests are available for English, Mathematics and Science. Find out more about Practice Online at www.eaa.unsw.edu.au/practice-online

Please refer to our website or contact the school on 4587 7122 for further details.

Yours sincerely

Dr Sofia Kesidou
Group Executive
Educational Assessment Australia

Jennifer Hawken
Principal
Windsor High School
# Rouse Hill Program Schedule

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*Bookings essential – Phone 8882 7850*  
[www.interrelate.org.au](http://www.interrelate.org.au)
Pitt Town Pirates Soccer Club
2016 Registrations
We welcome children turning 5 this year, to all ages!
New U18’s Teams starting this year
8-16 yr old girls are encouraged to register for our GIRLS ONLY Competitions!
For registration enquires or more information, please see our website:
www.pitttownsoccer.asn.au
or you can register online at:
www.myfootballclub.com.au
Need further info?
Contact:
Anton Raunjak, a.raunjak@yahoo.com.au
Melissa Crane, melissacrane74@yahoo.com.au
Registrations close soon, so don’t miss out!!

Bligh Park Physical Culture Club

Physical Culture is a modern low impact exercise
• Promotes good posture and presentation
• Open to all ages beginning from 3 years
• Exercises are structured according the ability of the age group.
Modern popular music is used
• develops co-ordination, increases flexibility and improves self confidence

Classes are held at
Tinningi Hall,
Colonial Drive, Bligh Park
WHEN: Mondays from 4.00 pm.
WHO: 3 years to ladies
For more information please call Lynette on 0408029398,
Email: wzblighpark@iprimus.com.au
or visit our website: www.wzpcd.com.au
WHAT’S NEW

Make Online Payments
As of the 20th February 2016 it will be 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. 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 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
what the payment is for OR
These details are entered each time you make a payment as student information is not held within the payment system. There is also the option to enter the Invoice number if you are aware of them, these are optional fields.

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.

There will be ongoing information made available to parents to enable this facility to be implemented as smoothly as possible.

DON’T FORGET THE SWIMMING CARNIVAL—FUN HAD BY ALL
WH找出 SWIMMING CARNIVAL - Thursday 25 February 2016

Dear Parent/Caregiver,

This year the school swimming carnival will be held on Thursday 25 February from 9.00am-2.30pm at Riverstone Swimming Centre, Market Street, Riverstone. This is a school day and attendance is compulsory. The carnival is structured to cater for both competitors and recreational swimmers. The school encourages all students to participate to the best of their ability and take an active role in this important event.

VENUE: Riverstone Swimming Centre
Market Street, Riverstone

TRANSPORT: Students have two options:

1. Make their own way to and from the venue. Arrive between 9.00 – 9.30 am. Depart at 2.15 pm. No student will be allowed to remain at the pool after 2.15pm. Any student with a late pick-up will be sent back to WHS on the bus.

2. Catch the bus. Students must assemble near the bus lines to have their names recorded. The bus will leave promptly at 9.00 am. Students will return to school by 2.30 pm in order to be collected or catch their regular buses home.

COST: Transport: Students who intend to catch the bus from school will need to pay $8.00 to the front office no later than Tuesday February 23.

VENUE HIRE: All students will be required to pay $5.00 for entrance to the venue. This money will be collected on the day at the front gate. Spectators will be charged $2.80 entry fee into the pool.

FOOD AND DRINK: Canteen facilities will be available on the day; however, students are encouraged to ensure they bring plenty of water.

EQUIPMENT: Students are expected to wear house colours or school PE uniform. Students should also ensure they bring both a hat and sunscreen as there is limited shade available. Any parents attending are encouraged to bring shade shelters or umbrellas. NO paper streamers, feathers, footballs and other sporting equipment are to be brought to the venue. NO body paint will be allowed. ANY student using body paint of any type will be asked to wash it off immediately.

NOTE: Wet weather arrangements – the carnival will run despite any reasonable bad weather.

* Note: The Zone swimming carnival is scheduled for Tuesday 1 March. Students who are selected to represent Windsor High School will be provided with a permission note on the day of our carnival.

Ensure the permission note and compulsory health form is returned to the Sports Office by the due date (Tuesday 23 February 2016).
If you have any questions, please contact the school on 4587 7122.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Windon and Mrs Horan
Sports Organisers

Mrs J Hawken
Principal
WHS SWIMMING CARNIVAL
Thursday 25 February 2016

Please complete and return the following permission note to the Sports Office no later than Tuesday 23 February.

NO NOTE … NO SWIM!!

PERMISSION NOTE

I _____________________________________ give permission for my child
( Parent/guardian name)
_________________________________ of year group_________ to attend the Windsor High School Swimming
Carnival on Thursday, February 25 at Riverstone Swimming Centre, Market Street, Riverstone.

I also understand that it is my responsibility to accurately complete and return the Swimming Ability and Medical
Information and Treatment Authorisation Forms to the Sports Office by the due date.

Indicate swimming ability as follows …

| Competent = can swim 50 metres | Non swimmer = none or minimal swimming ability |

NOW … TURN OVER and complete the Medical Information and Treatment Authorisation Form.

Signature____________________________________________Date________________
WINDSOR HIGH SCHOOL

MEDICAL INFORMATION & TREATMENT AUTHORISATION

NAME OF EXCURSION:
__________________________________________________

Student's Name: ____________________________ Date of Birth: _________________

Address: ___________________________________________________________________

Post Code: _____________________

Telephone: Home: _________________________ Work: _________________________

1. Has he/she suffered from any acute illness during the past four weeks? Yes / No

_____________________________________________________________________

2. Has he/she been treated by a medical practitioner for minor injury during the last six
weeks? Yes / No

IF the answer is yes, state nature of the injury.

_____________________________________________________________________

3. Is he/she taking any mixture, tablets or any form of medicine at present? Yes / No

4. Does he/she suffer from:

a. Asthma or any allergic conditions? Yes / No
b. Skin conditions? Yes / No
c. Diabetes? Yes / No
d. Epilepsy, fits and blackouts? Yes / No
e. Adverse reaction to drugs? Yes / No
f. Problems with bones or joints? Yes / No

If yes give details ______________________________________________________________

5. Has he/she been fully immunised against tetanus? Yes / No

If the answer is yes, in what year was the last booster injection given? _______________

6. If you are a current member of a Health fund, indicate which fund. _________________

7. Medicare Number: _________________________________

In the event of any accident or illness, I authorise the obtaining on my behalf of such medical assistance
as my child may require.

I also undertake to pay medical fees and/or cost of drugs which may be incurred while my child is on the
excursion.

Signature of parent/guardian _______________________________ Date _________________