



THE CHRONICLE

Wagga Wagga Christian College

HOPE: ANCHORING OUR FAITH AND INSPIRING RESILIENCE

In our ongoing exploration of our new College values, we now delve into HOPE, the second-to-last value in our series. As educators, we aspire for our students to embody hope—to recognise that life extends beyond what meets the eye and that a loving God provides hope through the life, death, and resurrection of His son, Jesus.

Hope is an often-used word, we hope that people have a nice day, or a good trip, or their team wins. We hope for grandchildren, successful relationships and for illnesses to be healed. We hope! It is such a powerful thing to hope and in fact, hope is necessary for our survival and our flourishing as humans.

However, our hope is not based on pure optimism, our hope is based on the person of Jesus Christ. Optimism is about choosing to see, in any situation, how circumstances could work out for the best. But biblical hope isn't focused on circumstances. In fact, hopeful people in the Bible often recognise there's no evidence things will get better, but they choose hope anyway.

So Christian hope is bold, waiting for humanity and the whole universe to be rescued from evil and death. And some would say it's crazy, and maybe it is. But biblical hope isn't optimism based on the odds. It's a choice to wait for God to bring about a future that's as surprising as a crucified man rising from the dead. Christian hope looks back to the risen Jesus in order to look forward, and so we wait.

One of the things we are working on as a staff to help express the value of hope is developing and sharing our Deep Hope for our students as they undertake our classes. We are people of hope. Not wishes or plans. So, our deep hope represents what we want our students to be impacted and formed by in the long term. So, my deep hope for this year as a College is that through excellent formational education, our children receive what they will carry with them throughout their lives, a message of the love of Jesus and a life lived of service to Him.

Source [Hope \(Yakhal\) Advent Word Study \(bibleproject.com\)](https://www.bibleproject.com/Advent-Word-Study/Yakhal/Hope)

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Romans 15:13

PRINCIPAL'S PRESS

F1 and Subs in Schools

A huge congratulations to our F1 and SUBS in Schools teams that participated last week in the National Finals in Adelaide. Well done to SUBS in Schools TEAM TRIDENT for winning NATIONAL CHAMPIONS in the Development Class, and to TEAM ORCA for achieving Runners Up in the Professional Class! Another big congratulations to our TAS coordinator, Mr David Crick, for receiving the REA Fellow 2024 Award and the John Button Memorial Award for his contributions to STEM in schools. What a brilliant week for all the participants

Parent Teacher Interviews

One of our key partnership events is Parent Teacher Interviews, your opportunity to book was released this week. Please make sure you are making time to meet with the teachers to discuss your child's educational progress. After 29 years of teaching, I know that the Parent Teacher Interview is one of the best ways to help your child improve in their learning outcomes.

Mrs Lisa Dumicich
Interim Principal



PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Kindergarten to Year 12 parents have the opportunity to talk with teachers:

Face to Face at the College on Monday 25 March or Tuesday 26 March

An email was sent to families yesterday with a link to the booking system to reserve your interview time.

Please contact the College Office if you require further assistance, 6923 8888.

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MRS LISA DUMICICH
INTERIM PRINCIPAL

Prayer Points

GIVE THANKS

- For the success and safety of our STEM teams at the National Finals in Adelaide.

PRAYER FOR

- Upcoming excursions
- Next week's Cross Country



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Employment Opportunities



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LET'S TALK TRADES

- ARE YOU A STUDENT WHO WANTS TO KNOW MORE ABOUT A CAREER IN A TRADE?
- ARE YOU A PARENT WHO WANTS TO HELP THEIR CHILD IN CHOOSING THE RIGHT CAREER?
- ARE YOU AN EMPLOYER LOOKING FOR OPPORTUNITIES TO ENGAGE LOCAL YOUTH TO FIND YOUR NEXT APPRENTICE?

JOIN US TO LEARN MORE ABOUT TRADES IN OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY.

HEAR FROM CURRENT APPRENTICES ABOUT THEIR CAREER PATHS AND NETWORK WITH LOCAL EMPLOYERS.



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For more information please contact Stacey Suidgeest on 0477 341 030 or stacey.suidgeest@det.nsw.edu.au

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Riverina

CALLING ALL PARENTS, CARERS AND EDUCATORS OF TEENAGERS LIVING IN THE RIVERINA.

4 APRIL 2024

6:30PM - 8:00PM

WAGGA WAGGA CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

Supporting teenagers to thrive: A Womn-Kind Event

Youth mental health advocate and Womn-Kinds Founder and Director, Ruby, will be presenting to parents, carers, educators and community leaders who regularly engage with teenagers to outline the current context of youth mental health in Australia and offer tips, advice, tools and resources, which can help to optimise the mental health of young people. Join us at the Wagga Wagga Christian College to learn, connect and ask questions.

BOOK NOW - <https://www.womn-kind.com.au/shop/>

\$20 PER PERSON

AS FEATURED IN





REA STEM NATIONAL CHAMPIONS!

Congratulations to SUBS in Schools Team Trident for winning NATIONAL CHAMPIONS in the Development Class, and to Team Orca for achieving Runners Up in the Professional Class! Another big congratulations to our TAS coordinator, Mr David Crick, for receiving the REA Fellow 2024 Award and the John Button Memorial Award for his contributions to STEM in schools. Overall, our Re-Engineering Australia Foundation STEM teams have had an incredible week over in Adelaide at Nationals, filled with verbal presentations, tests, racing, CAD and CAM talks and more. Well done to all teams, you all worked very hard and did outstandingly!

[SEE THE PHOTOS . . .](#)



SMART COOKIES

Years 3, 5, 7, and 9 all commenced NAPLAN testing last week, kicking it off with writing! The students received a cookie to encourage them and let them know that we are cheering them on. We are praying for you!



5C'S 'I AM' POEMS

In the lead-up to our College Open Night, 5C put their minds towards some poetry. This was in response to discovering and imagining the thoughts and emotions of First Fleet women and men and Indigenous Australians.

The class chose to use the 'I am' poem that enables the author to describe, express and reveal more of themselves through a series of prompts. The students wrote drafts, typed and published their finished works, before recording themselves reading their poems. Their parents could then listen to their child by scanning a QR code. Students had a wonderful time working through each stage and were pleasantly surprised with their final recording at the end.

[SEE THE PHOTOS . . .](#)



STUDENTS VISIT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS

This week four of our students from Years 11 and 12 visited the Wagga Wagga City Council chambers to participate in a workshop where they had the opportunity to contribute to the Wagga Wagga City Council master plan. The aim of the master plan is to identify improvements, opportunities and strategies to ensure the CBD remains a vibrant and active centre of our city. This is a plan that will shape the future of the CBD and the council is keen to find out the opinions of students from the schools in the local area.



PIZZA FROM AROUND THE WORLD

In the Year 11 Food Tech class, students were assigned the exciting challenge of making pizzas inspired by various countries. Drawing a country at random, each student was tasked with adhering to the instructions specific to that nation, dictating both the available toppings and how much they could use. Some students flourished, selecting countries that have a variety of yummy toppings. On the other hand, some faced the challenge of limited options, with one student even having to grate their own small portion of cheese! Despite how much or how little toppings were on their pizzas, they all still smelt and tasted amazing!

Can you guess where each pizza was inspired from?

[SEE THE PHOTOS . . .](#)



2C'S EGGCELLENT CHICKS!

In Year Two, their focus this term is on the fascinating topic of 'Living Things'! With the generous contribution from Mrs Skewes' neighbour, 2C were provided with fertilised eggs for their classroom incubator. 2C patiently awaited the 21 long days until their chick eggs finally hatched. Five chicks emerged and are now two weeks old. The students measured their wingspan and height, observing their remarkable growth.

Meanwhile, Mr Harrison is overseeing another batch of eggs in his incubator, which are hatching successfully. He gifted 2C with an additional eight eggs, resulting in thirteen chicks! The students are excited to nurture these new additions, ensuring they receive daily attention and care.

[SEE THE PHOTOS . . .](#)



YEAR 9 LEARN ABOUT CYBER SAFETY

Yesterday during their careers lesson, Year 9 were blessed to have Yeslam Al Saggaf, Professor in Computing at CSU, come and talk to them about cyber safety and 'what your device is saying about you'.

Students learned about how their mobile phones and devices are inherently and constantly leaking information that they are often unaware of, and how to change settings on their devices to protect their personal data. The students were highly engaged in the session, and Professor Yeslam had a wealth of knowledge to share and opened students' eyes to the threats that are present in our connected society and strategies to avoid the threats. Students were able to update settings on their devices and engaged in a good Q&A session. At the end of the session, Professor Yeslam awarded all students with a \$20 Coles Myer gift card for taking part in his presentation and completing a short safety survey to further guide his research!

College Counsellor

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Why does talking to someone help?

When you're going through a tough time, one of the best and most effective things you can do to feel better is to talk to someone.

- Talking to someone can help you feel less alone, and like you're not the only one going through something.
- Sometimes, you're not looking for the person you speak to to solve your problems, you just want them to listen. You can feel a lot better after just letting it out.
- Often, people find talking to someone so helpful that they wish they'd done it a lot sooner.
- Experts say that talking can provide stress relief, and can lighten the load of a concern someone might be having.
- Talking about a problem can help to start breaking it into smaller parts, which can stop you from feeling so overwhelmed.
- Choosing someone from outside of the situation can help you have a different perspective on things.

5 STEPS TO TALKING TO SOMEONE YOU TRUST

STEP 1. Decide who to talk to.
Figure out who's the best person that can give you the help that you need.



STEP 2. Work out what to say.
Think about what's been bothering you and even write it down so it's clear in your mind.



STEP 3. Time it right.
Try to find a time when you can have their undivided attention. It doesn't have to be face-to-face; you can call, message, or video chat.



STEP 4. How to have the conversation.
When talking about a tough topic, focus on using 'I' statements and be specific. Let the person know if you want advice, practical support or just someone to listen.



STEP 5. Don't give up.
If you're not getting the support that you need, don't give up. Keep going until you find someone that can help you.




KINDY, YEAR 1 & 2 JUNIOR NETBALL




Starting term 2 Friday Afternoons

This is a great way to introduce young kids to netball for them to begin their netball journey.

In the Younger age groups as well as an umpire we have one parent or adult on the court per team to help guide and teach the kids

 Enter as team or as an individual.

 7 players per team

 Both Boys and Girls welcome

 \$7 per player

 matches from 4:30pm onwards

A competition for all skill levels, Beginners welcome

Also Year 3,4,5,6 Netball on Friday Afternoons

For more info contact Wagga indoor sports on 0492 872 262 or visit www.wagga.spawtz.com



Autumn School Holiday Activities

COST: \$53 per day (A & C vouchers accepted)

AGES: 5 -14 years

TIME: 8:30am-4:30pm

BOOK NOW



ADDITIONAL INFO: Water bottle, enclosed shoes, canteen money, medication (if applicable), team jerseys (NBA Day)

Mon 15th	Dodgeball, Pickleball, Oz Tag, Cheerleading
Tues 16th	Nerfwars, Kickball, Dance, Table Tennis
Wed 17th	Painting, Netball, T Ball, NBA Day (Wear your team jersey)
Thur 18th	Volleyball, Craft, Ninja Warrior, Soccer
Fri 19th	3x3 Basketball, Tennis, Yoga, Gymnastics (Meet my squad)
Mon 22nd	Nerfwars, Floorball, Talent Show, Handball
Tues 23rd	Ninja, Basketball, Soccer, Cricket
Wed 24th	AFL, Volleyball, Disco, Craft (Healthy Heart)
Thur 25th	ANZAC DAY CLOSED
Fri 26th	Nerfwars, Touch, Pickleball, Frisbee Tag

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