AEROBICS 2015

Last week three teams of girls participated in the State preliminary School aerobics competition. The structure of the competition is slightly different this year with the girls not having to travel to Sydney to compete. Instead they were able to video their routines which were then judged online by qualified judges. All three teams were highly successful with two firsts and a second. They will now fix up any issues with their routines based on the judges feedback and re-video in three weeks.

SENIOR STUDY

Due to the wide range of courses available for senior students at WWHS it has been necessary to incorporate a flexible timetable for our students. This has enabled our school to offer study periods to those students who do not have a face to face teaching lesson. Students who are offered study periods have two options. They can either report to the library and carry out quiet study or they may go home and complete their study at home. Students are only allowed to leave the school for study if they have returned the parent permission note and have scanned out, through the front office procedure. Students are not to travel in other student cars and they are to go directly to their own home. There are obvious safety concerns if students are not following these instructions and they may have the privilege, to go home, removed. It would be greatly appreciated if parents/carers could discuss these matters with all of their children.

MEETING TONIGHT
WEST WYALONG HIGH P&C ASSN.

The next P&C Meeting will take place tonight at 7pm. Please feel free to join us in the school library.
Mr Pat Mason, President

GOING TO UNI INFORMATION NIGHT

Last week senior students’ parents were invited to attend an information session at school. Topics discussed were accommodation, scholarships, early entry, UAC, ATAR, pre-requisites for degrees and career planning. A successful session was held and we thank those who supported the activity.
ROADSIDE CLEAN UP
A student led initiative will occur when student volunteers help clean up the Barmedman Road from Fuller’s Lane into town. Thanks to Barrick Cowal Gold and Bland Shire Council for their kind support provided.

FIRST ROUND WINNERS
On the 11th May, the boys and girls tennis teams travelled to Parkes to compete in the first round of the Stan Jones and Floris Conway Cups. Parkes High School was last year’s Western region champions in both the boys and the girls division so tough matches were expected throughout the day. Unfortunately the boys’ team comprised of Ben Cattle, Mitchell Lord, Oscar Mason and Jay Taylor were outclassed by their opponents however, were valiant in defeat. The girls team comprised of Stephanie Cattle, Hollie Jewell, Isabella Mason and Cindy Wright were successful in their match against the Parkes girls with all girls winning their singles matches. The girls now progress to the next round where they will play Tottenham Central School this Wednesday.

BUCKLEY SHIELD RUGBY LEAGUE
On Wednesday 6th May the West Wyalong Under 14’s Buckley shield side travelled to Cowra. In a very entertaining game of football West Wyalong High finished the game victorious 24 points to 20 points. The score line changed many times in a very close game of Rugby League. With one minute left on the clock West Wyalong trailed 18 points to Cowra’s 20 points. Cody Cooper ran hard and fast onto the ball on the halfway line. He split the defence and scored a magnificent individual try under the posts to seal victory for West Wyalong.

Tryscorers for West Wyalong included Lachlan Miller (3) and Cody Cooper (1try). Jasper Loudon converted all 4 attempts at goal. All team members should be very proud of their efforts. They played as a team and never gave up throughout the game.

The side consisted of Luke Cummings, Jack Parkes, Myles Harland, Darcy White, Jasper Loudon, Heath Redman, Lachlan Miller, Harry Judd, Kobe Pursehouse, Cody Cooper, Billy Jones, Lachlan Taylor, Ethan Rowe, Toby Whyte, Toby Rees, Dylan McCartney and Mitchell Collins. A big thankyou to Joe Fixter for running the water and Heather Rowatt for driving the bus.

HSC MUSIC STUDY DAY
On Friday 1st May, seven Year 12 students went to Kooringal High School in Wagga for the HSC music study day. The students learnt about aural, musicology and performance skills for their HSC music exam from HSC examiners. The students had a chance to see other talented students from the Riverina perform on various instruments and were given feedback from HSC examiners. Bayleigh Reedy and Joshua Percival took the opportunity and performed at this event. This was a fantastic opportunity for the students to gain skills they need for their HSC music exam. Thank you to Mr McNeill who drove the bus on the day.

URBAN DANCE CREW
On Tuesday 5th of May, Ollie Dawson travelled to Sydney to participate in the Arts unit's Urban dance crew Hip Hop/B-Boy workshop and audition. Ollie previously experienced this workshop in 2012 and already knew the basics of B-Boying. While he was there Ollie had caught up with some of the boys he met the first time he attended the workshop. The students who attended this workshop were lucky enough to work beside two of the world’s best B-Boys including Don Napalan (choreographer from ‘So You Think You Can Dance’). During the day the boys learnt two professional routines in 4 hours and an extra routine in 80 minutes that is usually learnt in 2 days. Over the two days of workshops, 14 students over NSW are picked to join the urban dance crew and will go on to perform at the state dance festival, school spectacular and lots of other events. Ollie has been lucky enough to be chosen and put on the list for further consideration. Ollie is due to find out this week... Good luck Ollie!

CHESS REPORT
Last Wednesday the school chess team made up of Jacob Mackander, Jarred Lyons, Jack Debritt, Ben Wu and Kelly Lyons travelled to Griffith to play in the second round NSW schools competition. The score was 2 games to Griffith, 1 game to West Wyalong and 1 draw. Our team played well on the day with Griffith having to work hard to win. Jarred Lyons played very well using up the maximum two hours allowed for the game before finally beating his opponent. This now puts us out of the competition. Congratulations to everyone who has been involved this year and may next year be more successful.
SCHOOLS CUP NETBALL

Last Tuesday 19th of May, twenty seven girls and two umpires from West Wyalong High travelled to Griffith to participate in the Schools' Netball Cup.

There were two Year 7 and one Year 8 teams. The West Wyalong red team consisted of Sarah McCaskie, Mackenzie Parkes, Kady Amarant, Lucy Payne, Laura Ridley and Bree Franklin. These girls won against Marian Boys and Griffith High and lost against Wade High.

The West Wyalong black team consisted of Lily Burge, Alana Donaldson, Tayla Leadbitter, Catherine Hood, Jade Connors, Kimberley Wright, Erica Davis, Rylee Lemon and Kasey Mullins. This team won against Lake Cargelligo and lost against Griffith and Wade High School.

The blue team from West Wyalong High included Emily Steele, Laura Thaw, Josie Holland, Emily Ridley, Samantha Tough, Delaney Turner, Kaitlin Widdows, Isabella Spackman and Kasey Sellar. These girls won against Griffith and lost to Marian Boys and Wade High School.

Everyone played hard and it was a great day, but sadly it was cut short by heavy rain.

We would like to thank Mrs Duncan and Mrs Hetherington for organising the day. Thank you also to the parents for driving and coaching, and also thank you to Tahlia Spackman and Shea Broomby for umpiring on the day. Report by Sarah and Mackenzie