

WYNDHAM COLLEGE

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MAY 2021

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Karen Smith

Deputy Principals

Classa Martinuzzi & Brian Ewin (Relieving)

Collegiate Deputy Principal

Jo Andrew (Relieving)

MAY

May 11th – OPEN NIGHT

May 18th – Careers Expo

May 18th – FoW 6.00 pm A Block

May 24th – 28th – Year 11 Focus Week

JUNE

June 9th – Synergy Dance Festival

June 14th – Queens Birthday Public Holiday

June 16th – HSC Twilight Showcase

June 23rd – Year 11 Parent Teacher Evening

June 25th – Last Day of Term 2

FROM THE COLLEGE PRINCIPAL

Term 2 is well underway. Many events have happened and will happen now that many of the COVID-19 restrictions have been relaxed. We are pleased to inform everyone that many sporting events have happened and will continue to happen this term.

Thank you for the tireless efforts of Nathan, Shannon, and all the staff who volunteer to take sporting sides. I know their efforts are valued by all students.

Thanks to Sarah M, Elena, and Rachel Z for providing so many extra opportunities for the engagement of our performing arts students.

On April 29th and 30th, our SRC attended their on-site goal-setting camp at Land's Edge, Chowder Bay. It was great to see the SRC be able to enjoy this experience. Thank you to the SRC coordinators, Daniel & Kirtana, for organising this wonderful event.

Our Year 12 Parent/Teacher was held on 3rd May. This was the first face-to-face interview evening since 2019. Year 12 Mid-Course Reports were also available for collection. It was nice to welcome back our parent community.

Year 11 will receive their Mid-Course Reports later in Term 2. The date for Parent/Teacher Night is 23rd June. Once again, we will use the online booking system and reports will be issued on that night. More information will be sent out closer to the date.

FRIENDS OF WYNDHAM COLLEGE (e-P&C)

**Tuesday 18th May
6.00 pm
A Block Boardroom**

**Parents can join the
e-P&C at any time**

**Please contact the
school and leave an
email address**

In Term 2, we welcome and congratulate Joanne Andrew, who will relieve as Collegiate Deputy Principal. Beth O'Connor will be working at Seven Hills High School and helping to transition the TAFE/VET program for 2023.

Friends of Wyndham

The Friends of Wyndham meeting is planned for 18th May at 6.00 pm and will go ahead on-site. At this FOW Meeting, the Careers Advisors will present information about careers and post-school destination options for our students. I have sent an email to the FOW email group and asked parents and carers to indicate if they cannot attend in person, would they like to College to set up a Zoom meeting.

Our FoW is in excellent hands. I am particularly thankful to these people for the support they provide to the college. If anyone would like to join the FoW and/or attend the forums please contact the school and leave your email address.

The Uniform Shop

The uniform shop hours are: Tuesday 7.30 am – 10.30 am and Thursday 1.00 pm – 4.00 pm. There is no reason why any student should not be in full uniform. A reminder to all parents/caregivers, black trousers are to be worn Terms 2 and 3. Part of the agreement with the Precinct is that the two schools will be in uniform. This ensures the safety and security of our students. It is extremely important that our students are in the Wyndham “logo” uniform for this reason. We seek your support in this matter.

UWS Agreement

The University of Western Sydney has again signed off on an agreement with Wyndham and St John Paul II Catholic College which not only enables the continuation of special access of our students to the university but also guarantees significant scholarships up to \$20,000 per student over 5 years. Students who successfully complete a university unit during Year 11 or 12 receive an early offer of entry to the university. Students who achieve a distinction or high distinction are entitled to the scholarship for 4 years at university (\$5,000 per year) and also receive a cheque for \$500 to assist them during Year 12. A significant advantage offered in this agreement is that Wyndham College and its students will no longer have to pay the tuition fees of these courses. We are again very grateful to the University of Western Sydney for this magnanimous gesture. We have started this process of seeking student applications for these courses for 2021. This year these courses will be delivered in the ‘online’ learning and face-to-face formats. This UWS Agreement is an exclusive agreement with Wyndham College and St John Paul II Catholic College – a program of which we are extremely proud

College Website / Facebook / Instagram

Many thanks to Kumie Pather, Sally Govett, Nathan Hulands, Alaina Radzieta, and a team of staff for all their work with our website and social media platform. I ask everyone to take the time to review our website and social media platforms. We are very proud of these forms of communication.

Learning Hub

This is a vibrant learning space and I know the students thoroughly enjoy the space. The space has been jointly funded by St John Paul II and Wyndham College. It is used constantly by both schools. The Learning Hub has re-opened fully this term.

Collegiate Recalibration

Taster Days will go ahead at Wyndham College this year. To remind everybody, this year's Year 10, again, are able to remain at their current school to complete their senior studies or they can relocate to Wyndham College. They may even access a course at each campus. Beth O'Connor and Jo Andrew are

coordinating the student surveys, which will provide us with an indication of where and what students would like to study in 2022.

HSC Information Evening

The HSC Information Evening was held at Wyndham College on 4th May 2021. The event is for Collegiate students and their parents/carers. This provided essential information around the rules and regulations associated with the Higher School Certificate.

Wyndham College Open Night

Each Collegiate school will be holding an open night and the **Wyndham College Open Night will be on Tuesday 11th May from 6.00 – 8.00 pm**. I encourage everyone to visit the College to see and experience the extensive and varied facilities offered to enhance our students' opportunities as they achieve their HSC. If you were unable to attend the HSC Information Evening, we will be able to provide answers to your questions during our Open Night.

Finally – I thank you for your ongoing support and as always invite you to contact either me or the college office with any concerns you may have or suggestions you would like to offer as we seek to **work together to widen the horizons** for all of our students at Wyndham College.

Karen Smith – College Principal

FROM THE YEAR 12 DEPUTY

Year 12 reports were issued to those students and parents who attended Parent/Teacher interviews on Monday, May 3rd. If Year 12 students have not yet obtained their report they are available from the front office for collection.

It is hard to believe, but Year 12 students are now only two terms away from completing HSC coursework. These two terms are vital, particularly if students have been achieving at a lower level than their potential would suggest. There is still time to gain those extra marks which may make all the difference to the overall results. Keep trying and try harder!

Brian Ewin - Relieving Deputy Principal

FROM THE YEAR 11 DEPUTY

Uniform

College jackets are back in stock at the uniform shop. Any parents or students who placed an order earlier in the year, please collect jackets on Tuesday morning or Thursday afternoon when the shop is open. For students who do not yet have the jacket, we expect all students to be in full college uniform, so please take this opportunity to purchase the Wyndham College jacket or jumper as soon as possible. As the weather cools, this is also the time to purchase the uniform long pants. Track pants and leggings are not part of our uniform and should not be worn, despite the temperature.

Focus Week

Year 11 Focus Week is in Week 6 this term (24th to 28th May). During Year 11 Focus Week, regular Year 11 classes will not run. The week is an opportunity for students to complete and work on assessment tasks. A timetable of tasks and activities will be published. Students are expected to attend assessment tasks for their subjects, special workshops (for practical tasks), seminars, and testing as per the published timetable for the week. Where students do not have to attend for a task/event, they may work at home on upcoming tasks or use the time to catch up on work. Students may also make appointments to see teachers to discuss coursework or career pathways.

Attendance

I need to remind parents and students about the importance of attendance at school **and** in each timetabled class. Being in class and on time is essential. We appreciate the difficulty of getting up early when it is cold and rainy, but it is something we all need to do as part of our work/study.

Students are expected to attend school every day unless they are sick. Students who do not attend classes will jeopardise their ability to successfully complete Year 11. Successful completion of all 12 units (6 subjects) of Year 11 are required before students can progress to Year 12.

Underperforming Year 11 students

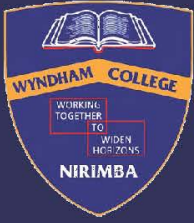
For students to successfully complete Year 11 and 12 and attain an HSC, they need to meet specific requirements. Students must complete 12 Year 11 units and a minimum of 10 Year 12 units to attain the Higher School Certificate (HSC). 2 units in both years **must** be an English course. Thus, students need to meet requirements for all their subjects to attain the HSC. This includes:

- attendance in classes
- serious participation in the learning activities provided by the teacher
- completion of assessment tasks for each subject, including course examinations

Students who have been given an N-Award Warning Letter in any subject should ensure that any outstanding work/assessment task is completed to the appropriate standard and handed into their teacher for marking.

Students are also reminded that it is their responsibility to ensure that all assessment tasks are submitted by the due date and that they present for scheduled tasks (e.g. in-class or examinations) at the correct time. Failure to do so will result in a zero mark and an N-Award Warning Letter being issued. If you are sick and unable to present for or submit, a task, then you must see a doctor and get a medical certificate. This needs to be handed in, together with a completed Illness/Misadventure Application to your teacher upon your return to school.

Classa Martinuzzi – Deputy Principal



Wyndham College



A school as unique as you are

OPEN NIGHT

Visit us!

**TUESDAY 11TH MAY
6-8PM**



**NIRIMBA EDUCATION PRECINCT
EASTERN ROAD, NIRIMBA FIELDS**



Why Wyndham?

**HSC
Excellence
2020**

Gurveer Singh

Zoe Morgan

**All Rounder Top
Achievers
All Band 6 Results!**

ART Express 2021

Arcelie Abenoja

Shape (TAS

Showcase)

Genevieve Bryant

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Emphasis on student wellbeing

*Platinum Program
for aspirational students*

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support**

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Transition to work programs

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Access Program**



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- MUNA
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- History Club
- Games Club
- Robotics
- STEAM
- Environment
- Synergy
- Pulse CAPA

Careers@wyndham

Save the Date

CAREERS EXPO – 18 MAY

Tuesday Week 5

Year 12 will be involved for the whole day from 8.00 am till 3.00 pm – series of guest speakers, workshops, and exhibitor access in our hall.

No normal lessons – they need a pen & device. Dress for success – as if you are going for an interview!

Year 11 – will gain access to the exhibitors in the hall at a designated time and during lunch.

Exhibitors attending so far include –

Commbank, MyGateway, TAFE, ACU, Macquarie Uni, WSU, Notre Dame Uni, Police, Apprenticeships R Us, and Apprenticeship Career Australia

Waiting to hear from Verto, UAC, Defence Force, Paramedics, Lendlease, and Blacktown City Council.

All students receive a fortnightly email to their school email account with a careers update. Please take the time to have a look and access the information provided.

Careers@wyndham classroom (code – **uhzsid**)

A great resource with up-to-date information all in one central location. It includes job opportunities including current apprenticeships and traineeships, TAFE, UAC, private colleges, universities, and gap year information.

Careers office is available to all students at the top of D Block. Parents & caregivers feel free to call the College with careers-related concerns about your student.

Sue Beamer - available Monday to Wednesday susan.beamer@det.nsw.edu.au

Karen Tuyenman – available Thursday- Friday Karen.Tuyenman@det.nsw.edu.au

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FROM THE ENGLISH FACULTY

Old Manual Typewriters Needed

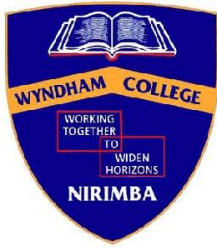


The English Faculty is looking for some old, manual typewriters to be used in an ongoing writing program at the school. Six are needed, but a few more would be good.

They would need to be in working order - manual or old electric - and we can try to source inked ribbons. (Although ribbons too if you've got some.)

If you have one sitting there gathering dust at the back of the garage ... drop it in at school for the English Faculty.

David Ryan - Head Teacher Teaching and Learning (Rel.)



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Friends of Wyndham FOW (e-P & C) MODEL & FORUMS

Wyndham College has been operating as a FOW (e-P&C) since 2018, a modified version in 2019. In 2020, the college operated Zoom meetings due to COVID. This model is designed to both consult and inform as many parents and the school community as possible.

The Senior Executive will email issues as they arise to seek parent advice. Replies are to the email lists of parents who are financial members of FOW. Parents on the FOW list are not obliged to respond to every issue.

Meeting schedule – Four parent meetings/forums will be held in a year

In 2021, due to COVID restrictions the College will conduct the

Term 1 meeting via Zoom – 23 February 2021 6pm. This will be the AGM and welcome meeting.

The link will be emailed to parents. Please RSVP below.

Term 2 Week 5 – Tuesday 18 May 2021 6pm

Term 3 Week 5 – Tuesday 3 August 2021 6pm

Term 4 Parent Forum – HSC Assessment/Information evening – Tuesday 26 October 2021 6pm

The FOW (e-P&C) Meetings & Forums

FOW will be advertised each year to parents via email and newsletters.

Following the Welcome meeting and AGM, the membership list will be compiled and the group formulated by the college computer coordinator. A welcome message will be sent.

At the AGM volunteers are then called for, to take the roles of President, Vice President and Treasurer. A \$2 annual membership fee exists to enable financial members to vote on issues.

Issues for consultation

Sometimes issues arise throughout the year. The meetings/forums scheduled in term 2 & 3 are to address these issues. However at least once a year FOW will need to review income they generate and allocate this progressively to the designated school projects that are established this will probably occur at the term 4 Parent Forum. FOW will also identify parents representatives for interview panels, and community representatives on projects the College is involved in.

Join FOW and / or attend meetings / forums

Parents are invited to join FOW and/or attend the forums. This is a group email of FOW parents by which the Senior Executive can seek parent advice on issues that require input from our school community. These issues will periodically be emailed to you with no obligation to respond.

If you are interested in representing parents in this way please provide your email address to the Principal at Wyndhamcol-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au or by sending her this form.



I am interested in FOW (e-P&C) and / or attending forums.

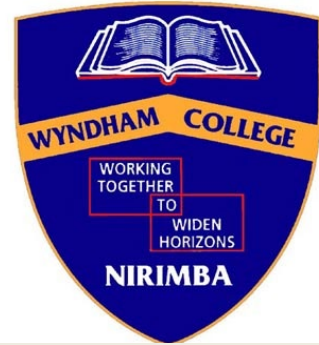
I will be attending the zoom meeting 23/02/2021 @6pm yes no

My child is _____ in year _____

My name is _____ My email address is _____



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The School Locker

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Wyndham College is a uniform college and students are expected to be in full college uniform from day one 2020. This includes pale blue shirts with the college emblem and fully enclosed black leather shoes.

For information about uniform items and prices, please refer to School Locker's website



Uniform Shop location



<http://theschoollocker.com.au/catalogsearch/result/?q=Wyndham+College>

STUDENT INFORMATION

OFFICE PROCEDURES

FROM THE OFFICE

Graduation Gowns

All Year 12 students have now had the cost of their Graduation Gowns - \$30.00 – added to their Statements of Account. Once paid, these gowns will be theirs to keep. Over coming weeks, arrangements will be made to ensure the correct size gown is ordered for each student and they will be distributed to students close to the date of the Graduation Ceremony.

Alternate Carers

If and when we are finally able to travel again, we would be grateful if parents & carers could remember to advise the College of alternate carers for students in their absence. Child protection guidelines require staff to contact the people listed as the parent/carers, on the enrolment application form, regarding any matters surrounding student. If you will be away and not contactable, please supply, in writing, the names and telephone numbers of those we are permitted to contact in your absence.

Parent Online Portal Payments

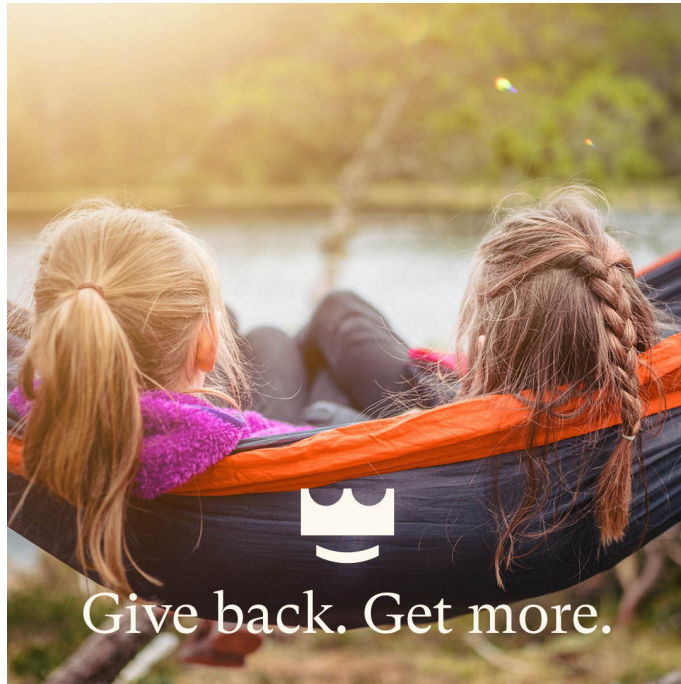
In the interest of safety and security, we encourage you to make your payments via the POP (Parent Online Payment) option via the 'Make a Payment' tab on the home page of our website - <https://wyndhamcol-h.schools.nsw.gov.au/> – not the Sentral Parent Portal. This tab links to a secure payment page hosted by Westpac. Any school related payment may be made via this link but please be specific when describing the item being paid e.g. Visual Arts fees.

Please remember - School Locker, our uniform supplier, is completely separate to Wyndham College. Payments for School Locker must be paid directly to School Locker and not via the Wyndham College POP option.

Receipts

Receipts are automatically issued when payments are made at the Office. If our system is offline for any reason, a handwritten receipt will be provided. To simplify future enquiries, and as proof of payment, everyone is asked to please retain all receipts.

Thank you – Administration



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COMMUNITY NEWS



Riverstone Festival

15th May 2021

9 am – 3 pm

Mill Street Park



Please consider giving us your old uniform so we can help others.

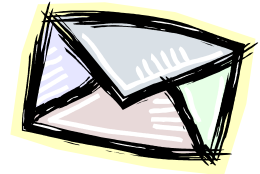
JACKETS ESPECIALLY!

See Jason (staffroom) or
Sally (Library) with your donations

CHANGE OF DETAILS

CHANGED ADDRESS? VERY IMPORTANT to notify the office as soon as possible!

To keep student records as up to date as possible please complete the slip below if you have changed address or changed phone numbers, and return to the front office.



Student Name

New Address

Home Phone

Mobile Phone -Mother..... Name.....

Mobile Phone -Father..... Name.....

Signed Date.....

EMAILS



So we can keep you informed and up to date, please complete the slip below if you have recently changed your email address and return it to the office:

Student Name _____

Parent Email Address _____

Please print carefully