



SCHOOL NEWS

Welcome to Week 4

Good afternoon everyone and welcome to the close of our week 4.

It has been a full week, starting with our students performing beautifully at the Vice Regal Governors visit on Monday. The Governor was so pleased to meet our school leaders, watch everyone train, which was quite the spectacle and then be entertained with a Borderville Medley. Incredible work from all the trainers and Circus executive that brought the event to fruition.

Melbourne Excursion 25 February 2026 – This coming Wednesday!

Next week we are travelling to Melbourne on Wednesday to see the Circus Centre Melbourne and to view 'Balloon Story' at the Melbourne Convention Centre. The students are very excited, and it looks to be a fun day out for the kids.

We are travelling by Vline train from Wodonga Station to Southern Cross, tram to Circus Melbourne to visit the new circus venue and participate in an activity arranged by FFFC, then tram to Convention Centre to see Balloon Story. We will purchase dinner at Southern Cross Station and return to Wodonga on Vline train.

We have asked students to make sure they have either their Fruitflies Polo or their black Circus shirt with the logo on it for the day. They are to wear our uniform shorts, not bike shorts or lycra shorts. We want our students to be representing the Circus School proudly and not out of uniform.

Students can bring card games etc for the train trip – but remember they will have to carry whatever they bring with them in their backpacks for the day.

There are no student phones allowed. Staff on the excursion will have our phones as teachers to communicate with you throughout the day and night as necessary, for emergency contact purposes and will take photos on the day.

(Thank you to all parents for your prompt response to the MYKI email – greatly appreciated)

FFCS whole school excursion to Melbourne 25th February 2026

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| 6:30 am | Meet at Wodonga Station – parents to ensure student name is ticked off with a teacher – uniform check |
| 6:56 am | Depart Wodonga Station |
| 10:27 am | Arrive Southern Cross Station – quick bathroom break if required |
| 10:45 | Depart Southern Cross Station on Tram 86 cnr Bourke and Spencer Streets, to stop near Circus in Collingwood – arriving approximately 11:30 |
| 11:30 | Tour of Circus Melbourne with Bec Neill, possibly lunch (weather dependent – possible alternate venue for lunch is Exhibition Building gardens which is on the tram route) |
| 1:30 | Leave circus, return to cnr Bourke and Spencer Streets |
| 2:30 | Tram 96 to Convention Centre stop |
| 3:00 | “Balloon Story” at Convention Centre |
| 4:30 | Tram back to Southern Cross Station – Students to get food at food court for dinner |
| 5:50 | All students checked off at Platform 2 for return trip |
| 6:02 | Train departs for Wodonga Station |
| 9:22 | Arrive Wodonga Station |

Emergency contact number on the day: 0439 740 006

School Captain Presentation:



Our school captains:
Frankie Allison and
Spencer Haberecht
were presented with
their captain badges by
the WMYC Acting
Campus Principal
Darren Clough at our
assembly on Thursday.



Happening in School this Week:

Our teachers are continuing work on the following curriculum tasks:

3/4/5 – Portfolios for Student Led Conferences – samples of writing, essential assessment results.
- commencing a focus on spelling

6/7 – English – the students are continuing the Hatchet novel.

Humanities – working on a large Viking display in the hallway – it is looking amazing.

Maths – all things number and index notation.

Science- they are working on chemicals and reactions.

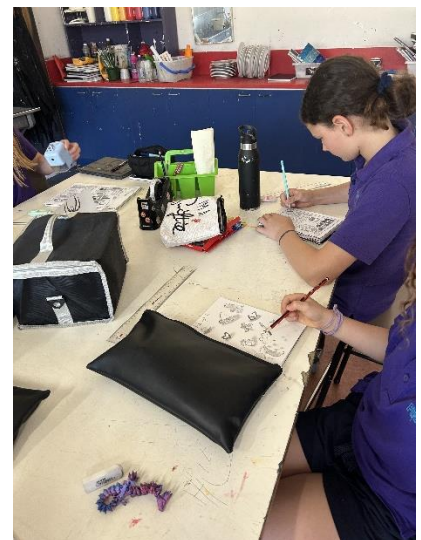
8/9 – Humanities – continuing with the unit of Government in Australia.

English – ‘Tomorrow When the War Began’

Science – Periodic table.

Maths – working on time and World time – there will be a topic test soon.

In Art, all students are completing their initial drawing tasks and moving on to projects.



Student of the Week

Congratulations to Fraser – Fraser missed work in tech when he was absent but has caught up and then helped others. Fraser treats all subjects as ‘work’ to be done and acknowledges that all subjects have a reason for being! Well done!



Student Led Conferences:

We are moving closer and closer to Student Led Conferences.

This year, we have decided to host them at the Circus. When you make your booking online, there will be a couple of slots available so that you can catch up with a Circus trainer that works with your child as well as the teacher appointment times. During the meeting with teachers, the students will lead the discussion based upon book work and portfolios developed in class and of course there will be time at the end for teacher and parent discussion.

To make your bookings, please refer to the original email you received from WMYC (copy below) – the date has now been corrected to Tuesday 3rd March. If you had made a booking on the 2nd March you will need to do it again.

Dear Parents and Carers,

*We warmly invite you to attend our upcoming **Student-Led Conferences on Tuesday, 3 March 2026, between 3:40pm and 5:40pm at the Circus in Albury.***

These conferences provide an opportunity for students to share their learning, celebrate achievements, and discuss their progress in class. It is also a valuable time for parents, students, teachers and trainers to raise any questions or concerns together.

*When making your booking, you will be presented with **two Fruit Fly Circus trainers** to book in with.*

*Please note: **you only need to select one interview** from the two available trainers, one or the other.*

*Each conference will run for **7 minutes**, and bookings can be made online via the link below:*

🔗 Booking URL: <https://wodongamiddleyearscollegeau.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

*To sign in and make a booking, please complete the form in full and use your child's **First Name, Surname, and Date of Birth** to confirm their enrolment.*

School Camp!

Wednesday 6th to Friday 8th May

3 days and 2 nights packed with activities.

Billabong Ranch, Echuca.

Cost \$465, Deposit \$100 due 20 February, Bal (\$365) due 22 April 2026.

This activity is now on your portal. More information will come out as we lock in the activities. This will be a great time of relationship building, forming great connections with staff and students.

Have a lovely weekend everyone, lots of rest and fingers crossed for some rain relief.

Kindest regards,

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Term 1 Week 4



We have had a busy week welcoming Her Excellency the Honourable Margaret Beazley AC KC, Governor of New South Wales, and Mr Dennis Wilson during their visit to Albury. We also enjoyed hosting Circus Oz for our collaboration on The Next Big Thing and coming together for a full company photo.

Carpooling Support for After-School Training

To support families managing travel to and from after-school circus training, we are exploring whether there is a need for coordinated carpooling assistance.

If your circumstances dictate that you will need carpooling, please contact **Melanie** with the following details:

- Student name
- Days training is attended
- Training finish times
- Suburb/location (to assist with matching families)

This information will help us understand demand and, where possible, help you to connect with families travelling similar routes.

Please send details via email at your earliest convenience mmcclure@wmyc.vic.edu.au

Thank you for your support in helping our training community stay connected and supported.

Class Clowns



Get ready to laugh! Come and support our up and coming comedians as they take to the stage for a night of fresh, fearless and seriously funny stand up.

\$5 Tickets

Thursday 26 February, 7pm | Borderville Theatre

[Book Now](#)

There is still time to [Register your Act](#)

How Not to Climb a Mountain - Branch Nebula



Artists Skye Gellmann and Lee Wilson will be at Fruities for a creative residency, working on their new show *How Not to Climb a Mountain*. The performance explores what it means to keep trying, even when things do not go to plan, highlighting persistence, problem solving, and creativity.

Early Bird tickets are available for \$20.

Friday 13 March, 7pm | Borderville Theatre

[Book Now](#)

Pay No Attention



Pay No Attention is going on tour! Tickets are now live for dates at the Cube Wodonga and the Sydney Opera House. The performance celebrates disguise and reinvention – where young people try on new selves, where nothing is certain and where spectacle itself becomes slippery!

Cube Wodonga: 18 – 20 June

Sydney Opera House: 4 – 11 July

[Book Now](#)

UPCOMING DATES

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| Week 5 | 25 & 27 February | Wodonga Show Rehearsal |
| | 26 February | Class Clowns Workshop & Performance |
| Week 6 | 4 & 6 March | Wodonga Show Rehearsal |
| Week 7 | 11 – 13 March | Wodonga Show Rehearsal |
| | 13 March 7 PM | How Not To Climb A Mountain Performance by Branch Nebula |
| Week 8 | 16 – 19 March | Pay No Attention Creative Development |
| | Friday, 20 March | Albury Gold Cup half-day public holiday (No afternoon training) |
| Week 9 | Thursday, 2 April | Last Day of Term (Early Finish) |
| | Thursday, 2 April | Marsha Terentieva: Revolver Showing |

Please remember to email both school and circus if your child will not be attending school and training

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