Principal’s Message

I am sure we were all saddened this week to read that the Mudgee branch of the Salvation Army will be closing their shop and office. In the past Mudgee High School has had a lot of support for students through the Salvation Army. We would like to thank all the members of this wonderful charity organisation for their assistance over the years. This week we publish a letter from them thanking our students for helping out at Christmas 2012. Students gain a great deal from participation in such voluntary activities to help others.

We would like to thank another of our community for his support. Recently we were given great service by See Thru Windscreens at no cost. We really appreciate such generosity and assistance.

From time to time I am alerted to concerns by parents about a rumour they have heard or a story of student behaviour. Last week a local resident alerted me to two young students knocking door to door seeking funds for Mudgee High School. We of course do not send out young students alone seeking funds. We occasionally have older students involved in fundraising in the community but they always carry a letter of introduction. If students attempt to raise funds without such a letter please let me know. You might also consider calling the police as they are engaged in a form of theft and are putting themselves seriously at risk.

I am always happy to hear feedback – both positive and not so positive from parents. You are the best measure we have for how we are going in teaching your children. Please don’t hesitate to make an appointment to talk to me. I am not always available without notice but will find time for any concerns you wish to raise. Of course it is always delightful to hear when our students do something noteworthy so give us the good news too.

In the lead up to the Year 12 half yearly examinations students may be looking for ways to improve their study skills. There are many sites which provide advice on study. One of the best is called TALE which can be accessed by students and parents through the Department’s website at www.tale.edu.au. There is a search engine and information on general study tips but also subject specific information.

If students suffer an illness or misadventure which affects their performance in exams or tasks they can seek special consideration. A form should be obtained from Mr Finter and documentation such as medical certificates attached. A phone call to the office to talk to either the Year Advisor or Deputy Principal is also important if a student is going to miss an exam or assessment task.

P & C Awards – Week 7 – Congratulations to:
Year 7: Bayly Brown; Year 8: Grace Fogarty; Year 9: Sarah Lowe; Year 10: Jessica Howden; Year 11: Callum Baker; Year 12: Jacob Christofis

Louise Manwaring
Principal

IMPORTANT ALERT

2012 Mirri
We have received a new batch of Mirri magazines from the printers. If you have a copy from last year that is falling apart, please bring it to the school office for a replacement.
All Year 12 students from last year are entitled to a free copy of the Mirri. They can be collected by parents or siblings from the Office. If you held off buying your copy they are $10 which is very cheap for such a high quality magazine.
Letter from The Salvation Army  
Re Belated Thank You  
I wish to thank you for your generous gift of assistance helping to distribute the Christmas hampers during Christmas 2012. The enthusiasm and understanding shown by the students is indicative of social ethics taught during schooling years.  It was a pleasure to have the students who were generous and polite in their interaction with those in need. Could you please pass our thanks on to them.  
Your kindness in allowing some of your senior students to help The Salvation Army was very much appreciated. Please accept our thanks for your generosity. With many thanks.  
Major M D Stevens, Corps Officer  

TERTIARY INFORMATION DAY – Year 12 Parents/Carers  
A Tertiary Information Day will be held at Dubbo Senior Campus, Dubbo on Wednesday May 8. This event provides our Year 12 students (and their parents/carers) with an opportunity to speak with a wide range of tertiary training providers about post school options and opportunities. All NSW and ACT Universities, TAFE, Private training providers, Defence Force representatives will be attending.  
This is an opportunity for students and parents to access a large number of student advisers in one session under one roof.  
An excursion will occur from Mudgee High School to this worthwhile event. It is recommended that your son/daughter attend. As a bonus, participating students will have a conducted tour of the Dubbo Campus of Charles Sturt University and attend a lecture by a well recognised motivational speaker. More details and/or permission notes are available from Mr Kempton.  

TAS - HOME EC  
Year 7 Technology Mandatory  
Food Context: Classes have started practical lessons in Food Design. Students will need to bring the appropriate covered footwear, an apron, tea towel, container and oven mitt/potholder for their practical lessons.  
Interior Design: Students have started designing and creating their funky chickens and cushions. They are extremely enthusiastic and the results are looking fantastic.  

Year 12 Food Technology: Students in this subject have been studying Food Manufacturing, they are starting to prepare for their Half Yearly Examinations, which will occur from the 4th April to 12th April. As only a limited number of HSC topics have been studied thus far, this provides a perfect opportunity to compile some excellent summaries and study notes. This course involves a practical component where students design and prepare food products to enhance their knowledge and understanding of manufacturing practices.  

Year 12 Textiles and Design:  
Following the very successful excursion to view the Texstyle exhibits in Sydney on Thursday 7th March, students have launched enthusiastically into their HSC major works. Texstyle is a display of the very best HSC major works from the last year’s Textile students from across the state. A wide range of garments, costumes, and theatre arts is being launched enthusiastically into their HSC major works. This is keeping the Art teachers very busy. Once again we are travelling to Sydney view the Art Express exhibition at the Art Gallery of NSW and the Armory Gallery at Olympic Park on the 27th March. Art Express is the best artworks chosen from the previous year’s HSC artwork which gives the students inspiration and understanding of the benchmark. As well as viewing this always amazing exhibition students will also see the 2013 Archibald prize exhibition which is the well-known and ever popular prize for portraiture. We will also visit the newly refurbished Museum of Contemporary Art and much of the Art Gallery of NSW’s permanent collection. As our students are somewhat isolated from the Sydney Art scene this excursion is a very valuable experience for students in both their practice of art and study of artists.  

VISUAL ARTS  
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Visual Arts students from all years but especially the junior students are invited to design a poster to promote the upcoming production of ‘Aladdin’ being produced by the Mudgee Performing Arts Society in June. The design brief is keep it simple but colourful and don’t use Disney designs. Interested students should submit their designs to Mrs McLennan in the Creative Arts staffroom by the end of this term – Friday 12th April  

SCHOOL BAND  
Our school Band has regrouped for 2013 and is making good progress with some new repertoire. New members have joined and old faithfuls have returned. We are in need of a drummer, preferably one who can read music or is willing to learn the skill. Contact Mr McNamara in Creative Arts if this is you.  
We are offering ensemble playing opportunities for wood-wind players. Tuesday lunchtimes, players of clarinet, saxophone or flute are invited to join with like-minded players for some small group experience. Just come along to F5 at 1.40 and we will make you welcome. Non Band members are invited. There are leadership opportunities here for student leaders.
Plant & Poultry Sale

A huge range of plants –
- trees,
- natives,
- cottage,
- perennials,
- groundcovers etc.

PLUS
- 50 x16 week Barter browns hens
- 10 x12 month old Isa brown pullets.
- 100 x Light Sussex x RIR pullets, day old – 12 weeks
- Light Sussex (large)
- Araucana (lavender) bantam
- Pekin
- Silkie
- Bantam Leghorn
- Unsexed day-old chicks – various breeds – Pekin, Araucana, Silkie, bantam RIR
- Wyandottes – bantam & large
- Plymouth Rock pair
- Bantam Australorp pair
- large Rhode Island Red rooster – great breeder, very fertile
- Pekin Ducks – day old to 16 weeks
- Indian Runner drake
- Rabbits

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Corner Denison and Perry Streets.
Saturday March 23, 8am – noon
Community Notices

MENDOORAN AND DUNEDOO COMBINED SCHOOLS HORSE SPORTS
CLAIM THE DATE: Dunedoo Thursday 8th August 2013; Mendooran – Friday 9th August 2013
Enquiries: Mendooran Central School – Dianne McCormack 68861149
Dunedoo Central School – Rosanne Stuart 63751489

REUNION – Mudgee High School 1980 – 1985
Saturday 21st September 2013
For more information go to facebook page – 30 Yr Reunion Yr 10 1983 – Yr 12 1985 for updates OR
Email jackieperring23@hotmail.com

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