PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

As we move towards the end of the term we hope families will support the efforts of our Year 12 students who are raising funds for Life Skills Plus and St Francis of Assisi School in East Timor. Their efforts will culminate on Rainbow Day on 18 September. However prior to that date they are doing a challenge on Wednesday. Many students contributed to this last week and their total means they will have to undertake a number of their challenges. We thank year 12 for their dedication and enthusiasm to the very positive philanthropy and volunteering symbolised by Rainbow Day. We know from past years that their efforts always leave a very positive impression both within the school and in the wider community.

As year 10 students finalised their subject selections last week a number of students identified clashes in their first preferences. We have encouraged those students to let us know what they would like either by writing it on their forms or speaking to Mrs Robinson or Mr Roach. Students who have any concerns are still welcome to see either of these two people to let us know. We often have some flexibility in the final line structure as we see students’ actual choices. Parents too are welcome to raise any issues with either Mr Roach or Mrs Robinson and we will do our best to meet each student’s needs.

Parents are encouraged to go onto our website and complete the survey Tell Them From Me. Your views on a range of issues to do with your child’s education at Mudgee High school will help us plan for the future. You will find the link under Tell Them From Me on the website www.mudgee-h.schools.nsw.edu.au
Log in using the user name and password mailed out to you last week. If both parents wish to complete a separate survey we can provide a second user name and password. Contact Mr Roach if you want to be given a second log in. When completing the survey it is recommended you have one particular child in mind so getting a second chance would also allow your responses to reflect the experiences of a second child.

In this newsletter there is a flyer for a Road Safety Program which I encourage all young drivers to undertake. It’s free, it has been well received in the past and it’s locally sponsored. Students in Year 11 will be given exemption if they enrol for the Friday workshop plus there is an opportunity for a Saturday workshop if they miss out for the Friday. Numbers are limited so early application is recommended. Many thanks to Mudgee Toyota and the PCYC for this initiative to help save young drivers’ lives.

Louise Manwaring - Principal

Term 3 Week 7 Awards

P & C Awards – Year 7 – Brady Cook Year 8 – Sam McFarlane
Year 9 – Rowan Fielding Year 10 – Emily Burgin Year 11 – Luke Dunstall
Year 12 – Liam McGonigle

SRR AWARD Term 3 Week 4 – Congratulations to: Paige Martin (Year 7)
There are a number of exciting things happening in the Creative Arts Faculty at the moment. Recently both Visual Art and Drama completed the practical components of the HSC. The Drama students performed admirably, completing both Individual Project and the Group Performance. The Art students submitted a varied range of works, in sculpture, drawing, photography and numerous other mediums. The Music students have their practical exam this Friday. We wish them all the best.

On that note, keep the dates 10th-13th November in your diary. The HSC artworks (as well as textiles, woodwork and Society and Culture projects) will be on display at the Stables. It's always an exciting and innovative exhibition, reflecting the imagination, skill and creativity of our older students.

This year we have three CAPA teachers marking the HSC. Mr Holleman and Mr McNamara are currently marking the practical Music component, and shortly Mrs McNeill will be marking the Visual Art major works.

If you are a musician interested in playing in the school band, make sure you see Mr McNamara upon his return. Often we lose a number of students when year 12 leave, so replacements will be needed!

Finally, the MAD concert is not too far off. Teachers are collecting artworks and students should be working busily on various performances and routines. It always takes place in the final weeks of term 4. Keep a lookout for the details.

**2 UNIT MARINE STUDIES**

Marine Studies is now offered as a 2U x 2Yr Course for the HSC at Mudgee High School starting in 2015. The course includes the following units of work and excursion activities.

In Year 11, after studying the Core Modules in Term 1, students will investigate Dangerous Marine Creatures and Sea Life in the Temperate Marine Environment. In Term 4 students have the option of going to Nelson Bay for 5 days to Learn to Scuba Dive and study the marine environment.

In the HSC course, students will study the units – Coral Reef Ecology, Shipwrecks and Marine Disasters, Marine Archaeology and finally Anatomy and Physiology of Marine Life. This theory work will be supported by an excursion to Darling Harbour to visit the Sydney Aquarium and the National Maritime Museum. This may be followed by a dive on the HMAS Adelaide wreck at Terrigal on the Central Coast.

This is a very exciting opportunity for rural students in NSW, with less than a handful of non-coastal schools offering such a program of study. Several past Marine Studies students have gone on to tertiary studies in Marine Science and Management and Commercial Diving. Others from Mudgee High have learnt to dive and continue to do so socially, in Australia, and around the world or professionally, as Dive Masters or Instructors.

For more information, see Mr Willetts in the TAS Staffroom.

**TX04 Patchwork**

This term students in TX02 have been busy with the construction of miniature art quilts based on the theme of ‘Dragon Flies’. These projects are nearly completed. For the remainder of the year the students will be working on larger projects like bed runners and patchwork carry bags.

**TX06 Corsets and Jackets**

As there has been an increase in the number of boys choosing textiles, project choices have been expanded to meet the needs of both male and females. This semester there are two projects to choose from in this advanced course. Both boned corsets and jackets are being constructed and are now well under way.

**Senior Textiles**

Another group of Year 12 Textiles students can relax a little. Their major works are complete and have been couriered off to Sydney for marking. Once again the standard achieved was excellent and many great projects were completed.

The year 11 Textiles students have to start thinking about what their project will be for next year as Year 12 begins in Term 4.
This term students from Textiles 02 visited Spun Out in Gulgong to source and dye the materials required for their felting projects for the remainder of the year. This is a fun day and the students were very happy with the results achieved. Their next project will be a mobile phone cover. This will be followed by a larger project designed by the students.
Technology Mandatory
8TMA2 have been working hard this term learning a variety of new skills in the workshop, working with and manipulating acrylic. Their project, a phone holder has required them to design, problem solve and complete a related design folio. Some students are now working on a sticker to decorate their phone holder using a computer based illustration program. Pictured are some of the finished products.

Community Announcements

ST JOHN’S ANGLICAN CHURCH MUDGEE
Will be holding a Confirmation Service on Sunday 16th November 2014 at 8.30am
Preparation classes begin on 11th September 2014. Please contact the Parish Office for further details and bookings
Telephone 6372 1126 or email stjohnsmudgee@bigpond.com

MUDGEE DISTRICT CRICKET ASSOCIATION
Registration days
Saturday 6/9/14 @ Glen Willow (at soccer)
Friday 12/9/14 at Victoria Park
Saturday 13/9/14 at Glen Willow (at soccer)

Representative team trials
Under 12s – at Mudgee Public School nets commencing Friday 5/9/14 at 4pm (coach Peter Endacott)
Under 14s – at Victoria Park nets commencing Friday 5/9/14 at 4pm (coach Peter Sibley)
Under 16s – at Victoria Park nets commencing Thursday 4/9/14 at 4pm (coach Greg Parker)

For further information, email mudgeejuniorcricket@gmail.com
MUDGEE SWIMMING CLUB
Registration Nights – Tuesday 9th and Wednesday 10th September 2014
4-6pm at the Club House – First Club Night: Tues 7th October
Learn to Swim: Tuesdays 4-6pm (qualified coaches, limited numbers so be quick)
More information phone Kylie 0421 458 123

SOUTHERN CROSS CULTURAL EXCHANGE
HAVE FUN, MAKE NEW FRIENDS, AND LEARN ABOUT ANOTHER CULTURE!
Volunteer to host an international high school student arriving into Australia in July 2015, and you’ll be amazed at the way this unique and rewarding opportunity helps your family to become closer, to understand themselves better and to see the world in a new light.
Carefully selected students will arrive in July for their 3, 5, or 10 month programs from France, Germany, Italy, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Finland, Spain and Colombia. They will live as a local, attend a local secondary school, arrive with their own spending money, and comprehensive insurance cover, all arranged by Southern Cross Cultural Exchange. You choose the nationality, the gender, the duration and the interests of the student that you feel is the best match for your family. Visit us at www.scce.com.au, email scceaust@scce.com.au or call us toll free on 1800 500 501, request our international student profiles, and capture the spirit of family and friendship!

Mudgee Amateur Softball Registration Dates:
Sat 13th Sept at Glen Willow 10am - 12pm.
Wed 8th Oct at Westend Fields 4pm - 6pm
Sat 11th Oct at Westend Fields 9am – 1pm

Our season commences on 11th October for all divisions except Adults. This day will be a fun day and an opportunity for anyone wanting to try softball to come along - teams will be allocated on the day - game times will be in line with competition game times listed below:

The main competition for ALL DIVISIONS will commence on 18th October and will run up to and including 6th December we will then break for Christmas. The second half of the season will then begin on 31st January and Grand Final/Presentation weekend will be 14th March.

GAME TIMES:

Benny Ball (3-7 yrs) 9:15am to 10am.
TBall (Under 11’s) 9am to 10am.
Juniors (Under 15’s) 10:30am to 11:45am.
Youth (Under 19’s) 12:15am to 1:30pm.
Adult 2:00pm to 3:15pm

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Saturday 25th October 2014

HEARTKIDS Rugby Cup & Clinic

Time: 10am - 12.30pm
Cost: $40
Venue: Emus Rugby Club, Woodward Street Orange NSW

All registrations must be submitted by 3rd October 2014
Suitable for children aged between 5-15yrs and caters for all abilities

For more details or a registration form contact Mardi on 0416 112 885 or email samantha@life-studio.com.au

All money raise goes to 'HEARTKIDS' supporting children born with heart disease

Exhibition match between Deadwood Rugby Club & Central West Invitational Players
Time: 3.30pm
Admission: $5
One Day
“Low Risk”
Driving Program for Young Drivers aged 16 to 25

Free program
Limited places
Lunch provided
Drivers supply your own vehicle

Bookings Mudgee PCYC
Ph: 63721367
E-mail: mudgee@pcycnsw.org.au
Web: www.pcyccnsw.org.au

Friday 19 September or Saturday 20 September
9.00am—4.00pm

Mudgee Airport

Mudgee Toyota
Mudgee High School

INVITATION TO PARENTS

Parents, Staff and Student Planning Workshop
Saturday October 11th 2014
11.00am start. Lunch included

Parents are invited to attend a half day workshop to share their views on the future priorities of Mudgee High School. Staff will be in attendance along with students.

What: Planning Workshop

When: Saturday October 11th 11.00 am – 2.30 pm

Where: Mudgee High School Library.

Louise Manwaring
Principal

How to get there: Enter via Horatio St
Lunch and morning tea provided

Please RSVP by Friday 19 September to Mudgee High School office on telephone 6372 1533 for catering purposes

RSVP Return

I will be attending the School Planning Workshop on Saturday 11 October from 11.00 am– 2.30 pm
Name: __________________________
Telephone contact: ____________________________
Email contact ____________________________
Names and years of my students attending Mudgee High School
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