Warilla High School Newsletter





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Principal's Message

The term continues to move ahead with great rapidity, with Trial HSC Examinations concluded, Parent Teacher nights held and students in Year 8 and Year 9 about to make decisions about curriculum options for 2014. At this point in time we have also advised the DEC that our anticipated enrolment in 2014 will be 1155.

Each of these 'events' marks a significant aspect of our work with families and the wider community. Certainly, the Trial HSC provides indicators for both students and staff as to areas of strength and those aspects that may need additional support.

Anecdotal commentary has indicated that our STORM approach to HSC responses has seen more detailed and analytical answers than has previously been the case-something that STORM intentionally set out to do. It is now critical as we count down to the HSC proper that our kids move up a gear in the study and revision routines which should already be a hallmark of their work.

I sincerely hope the parent / teacher evening was both insightful and beneficial. This is an important date on our calendar as it provides the opportunity to engage with teachers about your child's specific learning styles, needs and achievements.

Some parents have provided constructive criticisms about the process that I have taken on board for 2014. On the evening, I hope you had the opportunity to view our Education Week short film which showcases the school from a student's perspective under the banner, "The Journey of a Generation."

If you missed it, it is available on our website. It was also included in the DEC's Education Week celebrations across the state....well worth a look!

We are currently doing the preparatory work for our 2014 organisation. Students in Year 8 and Year 9 will soon be asked to consider elective choices, with this process already having been completed by Year 10. It is very important that informed decisions are made that best positions students for success with subject selections that reflect both aptitude and interest.

This has taken on an even more important position as we deploy curriculum based initiatives such as the LEAP (Learning Engagement Alternate Program) in Year 11 and the CORE Academic Class in Stage 4 to genuinely extend our Gifted and Talented group.

Over the next few years this will also involve extension elective pathways to further enrich our student centred and outcomes driven curriculum structures.

To further enhance staff expertise in this work, all Key Learning Areas have been actively involved in the development of Curriculum Networks Illawarra (CNI), which sees staff from up to 15 High Schools sharing ideas, resources, programs and pedagogy on a regular basis. Such focussed and timely teacher professional learning and sharing improves teacher professional judgement and supports best practice models across the Illawarra.

Finally, I would again ask for your support by reinforcing with your child the need to adhere to the school's stated behaviour

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policy. Harassment and bullying are anathema to our values and have no place in this school. The welfare team of the school go to extraordinary lengths to address this issue in both a proactive and developmental manner. Your support at home in reinforcing this message would be most appreciated.

With my kind regards John Hambly

Deputies Report

The term is quickly passing and the school is as busy as ever. Recently our students ran a fundraiser for Breast Cancer and the whole school wore pink in support. That day staff and students alike wore many shades of pink, hair was sprayed pink, lips were painted pink and over \$1,500 were raised. The sense of community at Warilla High School is amazing and it was not surprising to see this cause taken up so enthusiastically by everyone. Congratulations to the SRC students and staff for their outstanding leadership of this whole school event.

Several of our students have attended Learning Labs at the University of Wollongong. Learning Labs is a Gifted and Talented program where the curriculum is taught at a Year 11/12 level, yet the students are often in Year 8 and Year 9. All students received a certificate from the University at the end of their two days. The UOW academics who presented the workshops commented on the insightful questions students from Warilla High School were asking. Congratulations to Levi Kidd (Sustainable Energy Engineering), Elise Wilkinson (Horrible, Exciting Histories), Vincent Vo (Legal Ethics), Taylah Jones (Legal Ethics) Hayden Nabbe (Secure Communication) and Adam Taylor-Bush (Philosophical Dilemmas).

Hard work is also the name of the day with our Year 12 students seriously into their examination period. These Trial HSC exams are very important, as students are able to use these results and apply for Early Entry in some University programs. The other important factor is that Year 12 students can see where they have mastered a topic, and where they need to work harder before the final exams in Term 4. This can be a stressful time for students and their families and we would like you to contact staff with any issues as we work to ensure our students do as well as they can.

With Year 12 setting such a great example of being hard working and focused on their work, Year 11 are about to copy their example. Weeks 4, 5 and 6 have seen most of our Year 11 VET students going into the community to complete their mandatory work placement. They will only have a few weeks to catch up any missed work and it will be Year 11's turn to be undertaking their end of Year exams. It is hard to believe that at the end of this term Year 11 will have completed their Preliminary Course, and from the start of Term 4 they will be working on their Higher School Certificate results. The maturity that our Senior Students have been displaying is a wonderful role model for all of our students.

Ms Brook & Mrs Raison Deputy Principals



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Student Survey

I am delighted that our school has been selected to participate in a Department of Education and Communities pilot of the 'Tell Them From Me' student survey. The survey aims to help improve student learning outcomes and measures factors that are known to affect academic achievement and other student outcomes. The focus of the NSW pilot project is on student wellbeing, engagement and effective teaching practices.

More information about the survey is available at: http://www.cese.nsw.gov.au/surveys/ttfm-parents

The survey will provide our school with valuable and quick feedback on what our students think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them. Schools in Australia and around the world have used the 'Tell Them From Me' survey to help improve how they do things at school.

I want to assure you that the survey is anonymous and students cannot be identified by their responses. The survey is conducted online and will take around 30 minutes to complete. It will be administered during school hours between 19 August and 6 September.

An information sheet and consent form about the survey has been sent home with students. If you <u>did not</u> want your child or children to participate, forms needed to be returned by 19 August.

Mrs J Raison Deputy Principal

Coming Events

Week 6B

19 August	Year 11 PDHPE 3 day Ski trip
21 August	 Year 8 incursion 'Medieval Societies' in the hall Year 11 Rugby League Coaching Course
22 August	 Southern Stars combined Dance Rehearsal in the hall. Year 11 Senior Science 2 day Excursion
23 August	Year 11 Senior Science 2 day Excursion

Week 7A

26 August	 Year 11 Brainstorm Productions Workshop "Wired" in the hall Year 10 Excursion to Art Arena Art Gallery
28 August	 Southern Stars Show Week
29 August	 Southern Stars Show Week
30 August	 Southern Stars Show Week – Schools Matinee Performance Year 11 Physics – UOW Enrichment Day

Week 8B

4 September	•	Year 7-12 "Motivational Media" in the hall
5 September	•	CHS Swimming Carnival
6 September	•	CHS Swimming Carnival Year 7-10 Scripture Seminars
7 September	•	CHS Swimming Carnival

Science Faculty

Science and Engineering Challenge at the University of Wollongong

Last Wednesday, 17 students from Year 10 attended the Science and Engineering Challenge at the University of Wollongong. This is a nationwide program led by the University of Newcastle. The Challenge is designed to inspire students to study science and engineering at a senior level. The students worked in groups on a range of exciting hands-on activities that are designed to demonstrate the varied and practical elements of a career in the disciplines of science and engineering. It was a practical day of fun, teamwork and discovery.

The activities run either all day or the students complete a morning and an afternoon activity. All activities are scored according to the detailed goals of each activity. On the day the Warilla High students were competing against Smiths Hill selective high school and three private schools. Our students managed to come 3rd overall against these schools. A great result from some of our very capable students. Congratulations!

Mr N McLaren Science Teacher

CAPA Faculty

Y-Curate

Year 11 Visual Art students from Warilla High School curated an exhibition 'disFigure' using works from Wollongong Art Gallery's permanent collection.

The class participated in a workshop at the gallery where they were introduced to the project and spent time investigating the role of a curator and heard from independent curator, Joseph Allen Shea.

We spent many lessons looking through the artworks in the galleries collection before deciding to focus on figures in art – but not in a traditional sense.

The students had to negotiate inclusion and exclusion of various art works and involved themselves in determining where they would be placed or hung in the exhibition space, spending a day putting the works up.

The exhibitions run from 29 June – 8 September 2013 on the second level in the Fine Gallery at Wollongong Art Gallery.

Warilla High's Archibald at the Mall (Wollongong Central)

30 selected portraits of staff members painted by our Year 10 Visual Art classes are on exhibition in Wollongong Central from Monday 29 July for approximately 5 weeks. The works are exhibited on easels and are moving around between the Gateway and Wollongong Central shopping complex.

In the second half of the term Mrs Luckman's Year 10 Photographic and Digital Media class will have their black and white film photography works on exhibition in Wollongong Central. The class investigated the urban landscape in Semester 1, attending a field trip to The Rocks in Sydney to interpret the urban landscape in various ways. Some students also used their local environment as their source of inspiration.

Acapella Group

Jessica Hilli from Year 12 has been organising auditions for an acapella (singing) group assisted by Mrs Unicomb. This group will meet during lunch break and Mrs Unicomb is looking at the possibility of holding a workshop day with outside personnel.



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Visual Arts, Music, Visual Design and Photography and Video Digital Imaging are getting ready to submit their final projects and perform their pieces for their Higher School Certificate. We wish these students all the best in the upcoming few weeks.

CAPA Faculty will be holding a HSC night on Wednesday 28 August in the school hall. This provides an opportunity for our Music students to perform two of their pieces to be marked as part of their Trial HSC core and elective performances. We will also have the major works from Photography, Visual Arts and Visual Design students on exhibition. Entry will be by gold coin donation with viewing of the artworks from 5:45pm and music performances commencing at 6:30pm.

Mrs V Luckman Head Teacher CAPA

Welfare News

- During the first few weeks of Term 3 we have had 120 students from Years 7-12 who have been recognised for the outstanding school reports that they have received for Semester 1. Students in Years 7-10 were invited to a luncheon, whilst the students in Years 11and 12, together with their parents/caregivers, attended morning teas. All of these students also received a certificate in recognition of their efforts.
- On Monday 22 July all of Year 12, 87 Year 11 students and 96 Year 10 students attended separate study skills workshops conducted by Prue Salter from Enhanced Learning. During the evening 40 Year 7 and Year 8 parents/caregivers accepted their invitations to attend a parent/student study skills workshop. These workshops have become an annual event and both the students and parents who attend derive great benefit from their participation in them. The school appreciates the support of those parent/caregivers who took the time to attend and we hope in the future that a greater number of parents/caregivers will take the opportunity to increase their involvement in their children's education.
- I would like to thank Mrs Farrugia who organised for all of Year 8 to take part in study skills workshops during Year 8 guidance lessons. These workshops were conducted by Elevate Education. A reminder to parents/caregivers of all Year 8 students that payments for these workshops need to be made at the school front office if you have not already done so.
- In Week 2 of this term, the school was fortunate to have players from the Wollongong Hawks basketball team come to the school and present a workshop to all of our Year 7 students, together with our Year 10 Peer Support Leaders, focusing on anti-bullying and resilience. This workshop was successful and special mention to Miss Fotheringham and Mr Orange who organised this occasion.
- Week 3 of the term saw Warilla High School celebrate Education Week. Once again our outstanding SRC students raised awareness of breast cancer amongst our school community by organising a number of events which culminated in a pink themed mufti day. All money that was raised on the day was donated to The Breast Cancer Research Foundation. Thanks to Mr Neill and Miss Vojkovic for the excellent job they did throughout the week organising the various activities.
- All of Year 9 will be participating in the Red Cross Save-astudents a solid understanding of how drugs are classified

Mate drug and alcohol education program at some time during Terms 3 and 4. This 3 hour workshop gives the

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and what effects they have on the body. Each student in Year 9 was provided with an information note at the start of this term outlining the program which should have been given to parents/caregivers. The note mentioned that if for any reason you did not want your child to participate in the program that you needed to contact the school.

- At the moment several of our Year 10 girls have been taking part in a series of "Girl Talk" workshops organised by our Student Support Officer, Kate Munro and run in conjunction with Access Community Group. Topics covered include, body image, mental health, sexual health and healthy relationships.
- The Welfare Team at the moment is conducting an exhaustive review of Warilla High School's current discipline system. We are looking forward to announcing, in the near future, the changes that we will be making to the present system.
- Our e-Smart committee is continuing on our merry way. At the moment we are processing the data that we have collected by interviewing 300 students, school staff and the P & C. These surveys focused on bullying and the use of technology. The information that we have gained from these surveys will be used to assist us in formulating new policies and strategies centred around reducing the incidences of bullying and cyber-bullying in the school. If any other parents are interested in joining this committee please feel free to contact me at school. Mr Morris, Kate Munro and I also recently took part in an anti-bullying focus group which involved 10 students from the SRC. It was enlightening to hear from our students regarding what they thought could be done to assist in reducing the level of bullying in the school and how to better educate our school community on the safe and effective use of technology. We are looking forward to holding another focus group in the near future.
- Mrs Unicomb is relieving Year 9 Advisor until the 23 August, so if you have any enquiries regarding your child please contact her in the first instance.
- Just a reminder that after school tutoring for all students is available every Tuesday from 1.45pm - 3.00pm in E21. This is a free service and if students are interested all they need to do is see me in my office.
- Expressions of interest are currently being asked for regarding students in Year 11 who are interested in applying for the position of school leader for 2014. Year 11 students who are interested need to see myself, Mr Neill or Miss Vojkovic to receive the 'Expression of Interest' form as written applications must be received by Friday 23 August.
- Ms Hand has organised a compulsory mental health and stress management workshop on Monday 26 August for Year 11. This workshop will be conducted by Brainstorm Productions and covers the physiology and causes of stress and depression associated with the pressure of exams, relationships and everyday life. Every student has been provided with an information note which parents/caregivers should have received and \$5 to cover the cost of the workshop needs to be paid at the school front office by Friday 23 August.
- 27 Year 7 students are currently taking part in an AFL Social Skilling Program organised by the Sydney Swans School Development Team. The aim of this program is to encourage students to develop self-confidence, and respect for others.

Mr M Stanizzo Head Teacher Welfare



Southern Stars

No EXTRA! Tickets if they sell out – so make sure you get yours soon!

With only three weeks to go until Southern Stars *EXTRA!* hits the stage at the WIN Entertainment Centre, tickets are selling fast for what is expected to be one of the most diverse, unique and amazing Southern Stars experiences.

Southern Stars has been going strong since 2001, giving public school students in the Illawarra and South East Region an incredible opportunity to be part of a professionally run show.

Many students who participate in the show say it is the highlight of their school year, and judging by the many students who return each year to audition and take part in Southern Stars as musicians, dancers, singers and actors, the experience is worth coming back for.

Over 12,000 people attend Southern Stars each year as patrons and every one leaves with a spring in their step and a song in their head, marvelling at the range of talents of our public school children.

The show can only continue each year with the support of the community, so we encourage you to take your family or get a group of friends together to attend the show this year.

There are three performances available to the public, Friday August 30 at 7pm and Saturday August 31 at 2pm and 7pm.

Tickets are on sale now through Ticketek and are priced as follows: Adult \$45, Pensioner and student over 12 \$35, Student/Child under 12 \$25 and Family pass \$130. http://premier.ticketek.com.au/shows/show.aspx?sh=SOUTHE RN13

Sport

Year 7 Sport this year has allowed students to gain experience and confidence in a range of sports and activities.

Term 1 saw students involved in an Aquatics / Summer Safety program where students were able to develop skills in and around the water at Warilla Pool and Shellharbour North Beach.





Term 2 saw students compete in a Mini Olympics/Paralympics competition at Jock Brown Oval and currently in Term 3; students are participating in outdoor recreational activities at Blackbutt Forest Reserve. The following photos highlight some of these activities including; badminton, volleyball, animal bushwalk, initiative games and skipping.





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At the last formal school assembly students with outstanding attendance at sport and those who demonstrated confidence in water activities were awarded with certificates. I'm very proud of these students' achievements and they should be commended. Certificates were also awarded to students who were selected in a Grade Sport team for Terms 2 and 3. These students were acknowledged for their commitment to team sport and the honour of representing Warilla High School in competition against other schools in our Southern Illawarra Zone.

The students have thoroughly enjoyed the variety of activities/sports and environments for sport and I'd like to thank the staff and students for their participation, enthusiasm and cooperation. Each week there are a number of students willing to help with setting up and organising the activities, highlighting the initiative that our students at Warilla High School possess. Students are also keen to know who they are playing against or what activities they are doing each week. Congratulations Year 7 on your participation, especially in Term 3, keep up the great efforts.

Miss Fotheringham Year 7 Sport Organiser

Surfing

Kiara Meredith is a young up and coming surfer who is currently achieving great results. She is enthusiastic and competitive as indicated by her results thus far in 2013. At a school level, Kiara has produced commendable results. She has just turned 13 years old, yet she has been successfull in the under 16's division.

Kiara placed second in both the School and South Coast Regional Titles. The Regional Titles were held at Rennies Beach Ulladulla. It included competitors from Bulli High through to Eden High on the far South Coast. Kiara surfed consistently throughout the day, finishing runner up to a more experienced and older competitor. Kiara's second placing allowed her to progress to the NSW State Surfing Titles held at Maroubra Beach. Again surfing against much older competitors in the Under 16's division, Kiara just missed a place in the final, finishing fifth overall.

Warilla High School entered two teams in the Pines Surfing Academy teams' event recently held at North Wollongong. Kiara was part of the team that placed second overall on the day. During this event Kiara was awarded the Best Female Surfer, a just reward for her consistent effort.

Kiara has been busy outside of school competing in numerous events with varying degrees of success. Some of the highlights include a third placing in the Ocean and Earth International and a win in the Werri Slash Under 16's. Kiara still has a number of events to compete in this year including the Barton Lynch Blast Off and Rip Curl events in Cronulla, South Australia, Victoria and Queensland. We wish Kiara continued success in a sport where she has immense enthusiasm and ability.



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South Coast Regional Lawn Bowls Team

Samantha and Natalie Noronha were an integral part of the South Coast Lawn Bowls Team that were recent winners at the NSW State Carnival. Samantha played Lead in the A Rink Team whilst Natalie was Skip for the B Rink Team. The South Coast team went through their pool undefeated and met Sydney West in the semi-final and ran out winners 49 – 23. The scores were close for most of the match with South Coast only gaining the ascendancy in the last few ends.

In the final, the match went right down to the last end, with the final score being 29 – 21 in South Coast's favour. Once again Samantha and Natalie represented Warilla High School with distinction and should be commended for their outstanding contributions to the South Coast team. Samantha's rink had a total of 5 wins (+37) whilst Natalie's rink had 7 wins (+69).

The South Coast has now won the State Carnival for the past three years. Thanks must go to Warilla Bowling Club and Leif Selby in their support for Natalie and Samantha as well as the ongoing contributions they make to Warilla High School.

Mr I Morris

South Coast Lawn Bowls Convenor

Peer Support NRE Wollongong Hawks Blitz on Bullying

On Wednesday 31 July part of the Peer Support program all of Year 7 and the Year 10 Peer Support Leaders were involved in a workshop conducted by the NRE Wollongong Hawks.

During the workshop Year 7 were exposed to scenarios of adversity and were taught about how to deal with situations in a positive manner and develop resiliency skills for themselves and how to assist others. Students worked together to develop an anti-bullying slogan as well as also engaged in activities including ball handling and shooting competitions.

The winning slogan was "If you think bullying is great, there's the front gate!" All of the slogans were fantastic and will shortly be displayed around the school. Congratulations to both Year 7 and the Peer Support leaders for assisting and contributing on the day.









Throughout Term 3 Year 10 Peer Support leaders are assisting in Year 7 Guidance lessons. So far students have learnt about 'friends and frenemies' and resilience – bouncing back. The lessons are a unique opportunity for further personal development and social connections to be made for both Year 7 and Year 10. The assistance from the Peer Support leaders has been sensational. Congratulations and you should be proud of the leadership you have shown and for being such a positive influence on Year 7. Well done and keep it up.



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Miss Fotheringham Peer Support Coordinator

Taren King Selected in Australian U19 Football Team

Congratulations to our new Australian representative who has been selected in the U19 Australian Football Schoolgirls (Soccer) team that will travel to the UK in January 2014.

Taren was selected in the South Coast Football team that travelled to Albury in May this year. Her team came 4th out of 10 regional teams and Taren made the NSW CHS Firsts team that competed in Sutherland at the All Schools Competition in June.

Despite the team coming 4th, Taren was a standout and made the NSW All Schools team that competed in the Australian All Schools National Championships that were contested in Canberra last week. The team played 5 games won 4 and drew 1. From there Taren was named in the 18 player Australian team.

We can all appreciate the enormity of this selection and we are so proud of Taren's efforts. She is an outstanding member of our school community and sets a positive example in all areas of her schooling life. Taren travels to Sydney to train and represent Sydney University in women's first grade and this experience, as well as her commitment to training and the sacrifices that go with this, are certainly paying off.

Zone Athletics

After two postponements due to wet weather the Southern Illawarra Zone Athletics finally went ahead at Croome Rd.

Again we can boast some outstanding achievements and firstly acknowledge Casey-Lee Bedford who set a new record of 26.68 secs in the 14 girls 200m.

The following students qualified to compete in the South Coast Championships at Canberra.

Students who placed first have their events in brackets:

Justin Check, Jacob Seabrook, Jarod Falconer, Jarod Handcock, Luke Hunter (13 Yrs Javelin), Finlay McPhillips (14 Yrs 800m), Kade Szacaks (14Yrs 800m, 1500m), Kyle Attard (14 Yrs 100m and 200m), Jye Edwards (15Yrs 800m and 1500m), Aaron Hunter, Daniel Perez, Jye Brooker, Blake Edgar (17Yrs 800m and 1500m), Cameron Chisholm (17Yrs 100m, 200m, 400m), Hayden Rolls (17Yrs Javelin), Karie Myers (12 Yr Long Jump), Alofa Tauee, Shenay Edwards (13 Yrs 800m, 1500m, Relay), Harlie Singleton (13 Yr Relay), Shayla Szacaks (13 Yr Relay), Tamieka Jarrett (13 Yr Relay), Karlie Zwolsman, Casey-Lee Bedford (14 Yr 100m, 200m), Erin Dalley (14 Yr 400m), Sophia Frino, Jessica Naumovski (14 Yr Shot Put, Discus), Grace Tauee, Kayley Smith, Kaitlin Nicholson, Tayla Lees, Riana Drake (17Yrs 100m, 200m, 400m).

Congratulations on your efforts with great results and some personal bests.

Could parents please check that their child has returned the School Athletics singlet?

South Coast Athletics in Canberra

The South Coast Athletics was held in Canberra at their International Athletic Track.

Students again represented with distinction and we have students who have qualified to go to the State Championships to be held at Homebush in September. Congratulations to the following athletes:

Jye Edwards 1st 15 Yrs1500m, 3000m Casey-Lee Bedford 1st 14 Yrs 100m, 200m Finlay McPhillips 3rd 14 Yrs1500m Shenay Edwards 1st 13 Yrs 800m Justin Check 2nd 12 Yrs High Jump Jessica Naumovski 2nd 14 Yrs Shot Put, Discus Riana Drake 2nd 17 Yrs 100m, 200m

Kade Szakacs 2nd 14 Yrs 800m, 1500m Erin Dalley 1st 14 Yrs 400m Jye Brooker 2nd 16 Yrs 100m Cameron Chisholm 3rd 17 Yrs 200m, 400m

Jye Edwards won the 1500m by 20 secs. Casey-Lee Bedford was 0.05 secs off matching the 100m record set in 1988 and 0.41 secs off matching the 100m record that still stands from 1982.

Thank you to the parents who transported their children as well as other students to Canberra on the day. The strong band of parents, of which Warilla High can boast, is an important part of our school community and we are grateful for their involvement and support.

NSW All School Cross Country

Shayla Szakacs and Shenae Edwards have been selected in the Athletics NSW Cross Country team to travel to Tasmania after excellent runs at Ryde last week. Congratulations girls.

Coming Events

Wednesday September 11, Years 7/8 Boys and Girls Touch day at Dalton Park: No charge to play but money for the bus will be required. Nominations are being taken at the moment in PE Staffroom.

Mrs Clune PD/H/PE

English Faculty

Year 11 Advanced English had the opportunity to see a production of Frankenstein at the Merrigong Theatre on August

6. This astonishing adaptation by the Ensemble Theatre was amazing! The play gave the Creature a voice – this is a Creature that talks, that can be articulate about the way he feels – and the way he feels is very angry. This was a good opportunity to see a performance which will be studied by students for the 2014 HSC.



Mrs H Sheridan English Teacher

Careers

Year 12 Career Workshop

A second Careers workshop will be held this Thursday 22 August in our school library from 12.30pm. Here students will be issued with the 2012-2014 UAC Guide and a summary guide on how to use this resource. In addition, Shannon Archer from UOW will be in attendance to answer any questions regarding entry to UOW, Early Admission, scholarships and much more. It is very important for any student considering University in 2014 to attend this workshop.

Work Inspirations 'Big Conversations' Camp

On Wednesday 7 August I had the pleasure of taking 5 Year 10 students on an overnight camp for the 'Work Inspirations' Work Experience Program Launch.

Our students joined 35 other students from all over Australia and stayed at the National Centre for Indigenous Excellence at Redfern.

Here they participated in workshops on communication skills facilitated by the 'Foundation Youth' Organisation. On

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Thursday morning they were up and dressed to attend a Business Breakfast Launch held at the Ivy Ballroom in the Sydney CBD that started at 7.00am.

Students were separated and sat at table with some of the leading business people in Australia including the head of the Smith Family, the CEO of the National Australia Bank and the CEO Stockland Australia.

Here students had to present to the business people their experiences in the 'Work Inspiration Program' conducted both here at our school and at Stockland Shellharbour. These five young people — Adam Taylor-Bush, Amber Dunn, Kyle Williams, Levi Kidd and Brooke Wightman were fantastic ambassadors for our school and I was very proud of their behaviour and conversations over the two days.



UOW Year 12 Information Evenings

UOW will be holding Information Evenings for Year 12 students and their parents throughout August and September 2013.

At a UOW Information Evening, you can expect to get information on:

- Important dates and key things to remember for UAC applications, UOW Scholarships
- UOW Early Admission and Points to UOW
- The degrees and opportunities available at UOW
- Options for students who don't gain the ATAR they need
- What university life is like from a UOW student perspective

There will also be an opportunity to discuss course information with representatives from each of our eleven study areas, and have all of your questions answered! Representatives from the UOW International Exchange Office, UOW College Australia, and current UOW students will also be available to answer your questions. These information evenings are being held throughout the State. The Year 12 Information Evening for Wollongong is:

Tuesday 20 August University of Wollongong Northfields Avenue Wollongong NSW 6:30pm - 8:30pm

Bookings can be made by calling UniAdvice on 1300 367 869.

Employment Opportunities

Currently Wollongong City Council and Illawarra Group Training have called for applications for a range of traineeships, apprenticeships and cadetships. All information is on Edmodo to which all students in Years 10 - 12 are active members. Please keep checking this website for all valuable careers information.

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ASSESSMENTS FOR YEAR 10, YEAR 11 & YEAR 12

Year 11 English Assessment Schedule Term 3

English Standard	Week 7 - 30 Aug	25%
English Advanced	Week 7 - 30 Aug	25%

Year 11 SLR Assessment Schedule Term 3

Sports Administration	Practical in Class	Ongoing	25%
Sport, Fitness & Recreation	Competency	Ongoing	-

Year 12 SLR Assessment Schedule Term 3

Fitness/Resistance	Practical in	Ongoing	20%
Training	Class	Origoing	20 /0

Year 11 Home Economics Assessment Schedule Term 3

CAFS	Network Case Study	Week 7	25%
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Year 12 Modern History Research Task Schedule Term 3

International Study	Research Assignment	Week 8	20%	
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