Monday: 13th December 2010 Term 4 - Week 10





A member of the Cudgegong Learning Community

Coming Events:

- Dec 12-15 Y11 Camp
- Dec 14 Y7, 8 & 9 Gold & Silver – 11am
- Dec 14 Y7 Concert Period 5 & 6
- Dec 15 Final Day for Students
- Jan 28 Staff Dev Day
- Jan 31 Y7, 11 & 12 return to school
- Feb 1 Y8, 9 & 10 return to school

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MHS Newsletter

Principal's Message

Another fantastic year is drawing to a close, but we still have some important events this week. Year 7, 8 & 9 Gold and Silver presentation is on Tuesday 14^{th} December at 11am. On that day all students from 7 – 9 will also receive their reports. Year 7 are putting on a concert for parents from 12.30 to 1.30pm on Tuesday 14^{th} in the Performance Centre.

Last week we received our School Certificate results which were excellent. Over 70% of our students scored marks above 70 for all tests. Individual high achievers were Tom Bambrick, Ben Cheetham, Amy Harrington, Andre Jewell, Brittany Leven and Mary Sparkes who all scored two or more results above 90. Many other students scored above 80 for every test. Well done Year 10.

This week we are looking forward to getting HSC results and would love to see any Year 12 students on Wednesday or Thursday. Year 12 can also pick up their free copy of the MIrri any day this week.

Congratulations to the performers at last weeks MAD concert. Talented musicians, artists and drama students made the evening very enjoyable. Thanks to the Creative and Performing Arts staff once again for making it happen.

Thanks also to the organisers of last weeks Year 10 Presentation and our End of Year Presentations. It was very impressive to see the wide range of achievements of our students and to have so many family members present. If you haven't yet bought a copy of the Mirri we still have a few left. At \$5 they are a great keepsake. 2010 Year 12 students can get a copy free from the office.

To all in our Mudgee High community I wish a happy and enjoyable Christmas and New Year and look forward to again sharing your children's journey next year.

Louise Manwaring Principal



Achy Breaky Heart stars from the MAD concert: Billy-Ray Hatch and Russell Cyrus Moriarty.

TAS HOME ECONOMICS FACULTY NEWS

The Trade Training Centre is nearing completion, but unfortunately the wet weather has put work back slightly. The Hospitality facility contains a commercial kitchen, a preparation room, dry store room and a dishwashing room. It is currently being fitted out with the minor electrical equipment. During the first week of Term 1 we will be organising the equipment and furniture and hope classes will be using the room soon after. These facilities will give our students excellent opportunities to develop skills using commercial equipment and thereby enhance their employment prospects.

Senior Textiles Excursion to Sydney

On Monday 29TH November, the Year 11 Textiles and Design students went to Sydney for a two day excursion to view the Texstyle exhibition. This was a great opportunity to view the best of this year's Textiles Major works. We attended a seminar that explained the requirements for projects and folios for next year. There was an opportunity to have a very close look at other student's works and gather ideas for their own projects. After the seminar we spent the rest of the afternoon looking for recycled materials and clothing in the Surry Hills area. Our evening in the city was spent at China Town and Darling Harbour. We had dinner in Chinatown and explored the area. Some braved a ride on the very large Ferris wheel then it was off for a walk amongst the bustling night life of Darling Harbour. At 10pm, we were back to the Glebe PCYC to rest our weary feet and get some sleep. Tuesday morning was spent in one of Sydney's largest fabric warehouses where each student managed to find the fabrics for their own major textiles project at some great prices. *(continued overpage)*

We would like to give a big thank you to Mr Wilson who demonstrated great patience as he transported us from one shopping opportunity to another.

The Textiles folios for the major project are now well under way and final designs have been decided upon. The summer break is an opportunity for a well-earned rest but when school starts next year we will hit the ground running. There are only two terms to complete the experimentation, construction and evaluation of Major works. Students will need to be well organised and meet all deadlines set by the teacher if they are to complete their project in time to be sent to the Board of Studies for marking.

MARINE STUDIES 2010



Next week Marine Studies students are heading to Nelson Bay. Some students will be learning to dive (Open Water Course) while others will be completing their Advanced Course. Those students not learning to dive will also do a discover scuba at Nelson Bay.

The open water students will also be completing advanced dives after their

dives after their certification. This will allow all students to be able to dive on the wreck of the S.S. Oakland which sunk in a storm early last century.

Participating In The World's Largest Ever Seahorse Research Project.



Additionally we will be doing at least one SEAHORSE FIELD STUDY dive

FIELD STUDY dive at the 'Seahorse Gardens'. This is the only known site in the world where 3 separate species of seahorses can be found at the one

location. This is the site of the largest ever research investigation of seahorses in the world. To assist this research we

will be counting and photographing for identification, the tagged sea horses we locate.

Follow this link to ABC's Catalyst for further details of this research by Dave Harasti: www.abc.net.au/catalyst/stories/2408718.htm







East Timor Sister-School Calendars



Christmas is coming! Do you want an affordable present idea for your friends and family, one that will also give support to our Sister-School in East Timor?? Calendars, made up of pictures taken in East Timor and specifically in Fatuberliu, are for sale through the Mudgee High front office. Each calendar costs only \$15. All proceeds will be sent directly to our sister-school. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Community Announcements

MUDGEE GRASSROOTS RUGBY FESTIVAL

2011'S event will be held over three days commencing 18th March and concluding 20th March. Mudgee Rugby Union Club will again host the event which will involve sporting activities and family entertainment for people of all ages. For more information www.grassrootsrugbyfestival.com.au or 0429 622 444

MID-WESTERN REGIONAL COUNCIL LIBRARY Superheroes Read! Summer Reading Program

Mid-Western Regional Council Library announces the launch of our amazing Summer Reading

Program

- Win fantastic prizes over \$2000 worth to be won!
 - Free to join for everyone aged 3 to 18
 - Free "Power Pack" reading kit with giveaways
- Launch date: 8th December join at any branch of the Library
 - Amazing holiday activities and events
 - Call 6378 2740 for more information

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CALENDAR FOR YOUR FRIDGE

Date	Event	Time
Dec 12-15	Yr 11 Camp	
Dec 14	Yr 7, 8 & 9 Gold & Silver Awards	11.00am
Dec 14	Yr 7 Concert Parents are encouraged to attend	12.30pm
Dec 15	Final day for students	
Dec 16	Staff Development Day	
Dec 17	Staff Development Day	
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Jan 28	Staff Development Day	
Jan 31	Yr 7, 11 & 12 return to school New enrolments	9.00am
Feb 1	Yr 8, 9 & 10 return to school	9.00am
Feb 8 & 9	School Photos	
Feb 16	Swimming Carnival	9.00am