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Term 2 - Week 1



MHS Newsletter



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Coming Events:

- 21st April – Anzac Assembly
- 22nd April - Yr 11 Half Yearly Exams Commence
- 23rd April - Yr 11 Half Yearly Exams Commence
- 26th April – Anzac Day Public Holiday
- 30th April – Yr 11 Half Yearly Exams Conclude

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Principal's Report

Welcome back and I hope all students and families enjoyed a relaxing and happy break. I am sure Year 11 at least spent some of their break preparing for this week's exams.

Congratulations to all the organisers of the CLC and Centre for Excellence staff development day. I hope many parents had the chance to hear Celia Lashlie speak on Monday evening. She is entertaining and to the point on bringing up boys to be good men.

During the Easter holidays many staff and former students joined with the Morrissey family to mourn Michelle's passing. We recall Michelle as a committed and caring member of our school community. She was awarded a Pincipal's Gold Medal in 2008 in recognition of the positive contribution she made to Mudgee High School. Our thoughts and prayers remain with her family and close friends as they grieve. We will hold her memory in our hearts as a student both peers and staff admired and respected.

Louise Manwaring
Principal

MUDGEE HIGH JUNIOR GIRLS CRICKET

Earlier this month the junior girls cricket travelled to Dubbo to take part in the first matches for Lisa Keightley Shield. There were two 20/20 matches played on the one day. Our first match was against Dubbo South. We batted first and made an impressive total well over a hundred. This was helped by Jessica Edwards smashing 40 retired and other good runs by Shoana Young and Lauren McGovern.

Our bowling was great particularly three wickets by Sarah Birchall and we dismissed them for 43 giving us a great winning margin. The second game was against Wellington which is a strong experienced side. Although we lost our girls again demonstrated good batting, bowling and fielding.

We had a great time and we learnt a lot from this fun day. Our thanks go to Ms McCann for coaching us and our parents for taking us. *Rebecca Bailey (Captain)*

HSIE HAPPENINGS

Mock Trial

The competition is up and running for 2010, with a keen team of new members. Round One saw our team do battle with Condobolin High at Mudgee in a case that they lost by one point! The team of Mary Sparkes, Lily Jones (Barristers), Tom Bambrick (Solicitor), Verity Croake, Brooke Thomas (Witnesses) and Alexandria Rosso (Court Officer) gained their first experience of Mock Trial, and learnt much for the next round. The Magistrate, Alan Hogan, particularly made comment on how much he enjoyed the Trial. Round 2 will be held after this report goes to the office, on the last Wednesday of Term 1. Hopefully there will be good news to report on this round against Lithgow High, to be held in Lithgow.



TOPS FOR TIMOR

Congratulations to the SRC, who ran a very successful fundraiser for our sister school in Fatuberliu, with students allowed to wear mufti tops for a gold coin donation. Miss Windeyer and Mrs Tyrell's plans for their next visit in July are proceeding well, with various school and community members joining the trip.

YEAR NINE MUSEUM VISIT

All of year nine recently attended a history site study to fulfil syllabus requirements. Many students were amazed at the range of fascinating artefacts that have been collected over the years by the Museum volunteer workers. Students worked diligently to complete their 'Treasure Hunt' worksheets, despite being distracted by strange exhibits such as cruet sets (what is THAT Miss?).

UNSW Faculty of Law Essay Competition

This is an excellent opportunity, open to all students in Years 11 and 12, to be involved in an essay competition through the prestigious University of NSW. The topic is "Climate change is a global concern. How effective are the legal mechanisms for tackling climate change?" Word limit is 1000 words. Closing date: 5pm Friday 23 April 2010. The winning essayist will receive \$500, second place \$300, third place \$200. An excellent opportunity for senior students to build their essay writing skills. Entry forms and further details from Miss Windeyer.

PD18 VISIT TO MUDGEES PUBLIC SCHOOL

The students studying **PD18 – Physical Activity and Sports Studies** have been fortunate enough to engage in a program involving the Kindergarten students at Mudgee Public. Each week the students have planned and conducted Sport sessions for the students in an effort to promote physical activity and develop their movement skills.



All the students have performed very well and have been enthusiastic in their involvement. They have developed excellent leadership and teamwork skills, as well as learning how to effectively manage groups.

Over the past three weeks, students have engaged in

physical activities such as using the parachute, running, jumping as well as some interesting games which included 'Farmer Sam' and 'Elephants Balancing'. It is great to see the positive reception given to our students and the kindys look forward to the 'big kids' visit each week.



This is the third year we have conducted this program between our two schools. Next term our students will be developing skill sessions to enhance the Kindergarten students Fundamental Movement Skills and teach students how to play some modified sports. The students involved should be very proud of their achievements so far and we hope that they enjoy working with their groups next term.



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