Monday: 30th May 2011 Term 2 – Week 6



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Coming Events:

- June 13 Public Holiday
- June 27 P&C/School Council Meeting 7.30pm Library
- June 28 Gold & Silver Awards Year 1 & 12
- July 1 Last day Term 2
- July 18 Staff Development Term 3
- July 19 Day 1 Term 3

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MHS Newsletter

Principal's Message

At our last P&C meeting we agreed to trial electronic newsletters to save costs. If you have an email address and would like to be part of our distribution list please complete the form at the end of the Newsletter so we can add your details. The newsletter will continue to be printed each week this term and will be published on our website. From the start of Term 3 it will be emailed to all students, parents on our distribution list and published on our website. Limited paper copies will be available at the office and to parents who request a paper copy.

Year 12 Reports were distributed last week and I am proud of the efforts the students are making in their HSC year. Any enquiries should be directed to the Head Teacher or subject teacher in the first instance. Support is available to students for extra tutorials by approaching the class teacher or through our Norta Norta tutors. Students can access this support directly or parents can request it on a student's behalf by contacting the Year Adviser.

Last Friday our School Captains Troy Kenny and Amanda Pattullo flew to Sydney to attend a reception and meeting at Parliament House and meet the Governor Marie Bashir. By all accounts they enjoyed their visit and were a credit as representatives of Mudgee High School.

Louise Manwaring Principal

65 ROSES DAY

65 Roses Day is celebrated throughout May each year and raises money to help people with Cystic Fibrosis live longer. Since the 1980's the average life expectancy has increased from 17 to 37. But it's still only 37.

Mudgee High will be holding a mufti day on Friday 3rd June 2011 to celebrate and support 65 Roses day as an initiative put forward by year 12 student, Hannah Endacott, and supported by the SRC.

On Friday 3rd June students can wear mufti (tops only, normal school pants and shoes) in exchange for a gold coin donation. Please support this great cause and give people with CF a chance.

DRUG ACTION WEEK – 19th to 25th June 2011

Drug Action Week is a week of activities of nationally to raise awareness about alcohol and other drugs issues in Australia. The week also highlights the achievements of individuals who work within the alcohol and other drugs sector to reduce alcohol and drug-related harm.

Anyone can get involved in Drug Action week. You can organise an art competition, arrange a picnic, or an information box in your local shopping centre. Alcohol and other Drugs Council of Australia encourages everyone to get involved - together we can make a difference and help to reduce the damaging effects of alcohol and drug use in our communities.

SCIENCE FACULTY NEWS

Students have had a very busy time in Science of late. On top of completing all of their Half yearly assessments, they have had many opportunities to engage in Science in a variety of different ways. Some of these are outlined below and I congratulate all students who made the effort to participate.

SNAKE TAILS

Year 7 students recently had the opportunity to attend Snake Tails. This was an informative hands-on experience for students that detailed the many facts and myths that surround our slithery neighbours. Thanks must go to Mr Rae for his organisation of this fantastic event.

CSIRO VISIT

Last week saw the CSIRO present two shows to audiences at Mudgee High School. Junior Science students were entertained with amazing demonstrations that provided timely evidence to assist in their understanding of the kinetic theory of matter. The show included the use of superconducting materials, liquid nitrogen and plasma to show the extraordinary behaviour of matter and how it can be explained.

A senior show was also conducted for our Biology students. DNA to the MAX gave students the opportunity to extract DNA and use electrophoresis to verify the type of DNA present in a plant seed.

Many thanks to Mrs Harries for coordinating this experience for students.

SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING CHALLENGE

Late in Term 1, Mrs Howard and myself, accompanied a team of Year 10 science students to the regional Science and Engineering Challenge coordinated by Newcastle University. The students were engaged in solving practical problems with logic and creativity. The students performance on the day was nothing short of sensational. The team placed first in a very close contest and has now been set the goal of competing in the Super Challenge to be held in Newcastle in late August. Congratulations must be given to these students and we look forward to more success later in the year.



OPEN GIRLS NETBALL

On Thursday 12th May the Open Girls Netball team ventured to the freezing cold of Orange. Our mission was to thaw out and play in the finals of Western Area netball. Our first game was against the eventual winners of the day Orange. The girls fought hard all match but were defeated by a well drilled Orange side. This put us in the play offs for 3rd and 4th against Dubbo Senior Campus. This was another tough match and the girls were narrowly defeated. The girls played well in their two games and should be very proud of their efforts. A very big thankyou to Mrs Sanders, Mrs Munro, Mrs Endacott and Mrs Stait for transporting the team and supporting the girls throughout the day.

FOR TENDER

1 Trailer – Sale as scrap or parts only. Not in working condition.

Tenders must be in a sealed envelope addressed to "The Principal", Mudgee High School, Locked Bag 2004, Mudgee 2850 and marked "Tender on Trailer"

These must be received in the High School office by 3.30pm Friday 3rd June. The successful applicant will be notified within one week of the close.

At the Principal's discretion, this may be advertised again if a suitable tender is not received. The Principal's decision on the successful tender will be final and the amount will remain confidential.

Inspections can be arranged by telephoning Mudgee High School and asking for Graham Wilson. Inspection times will depend on lessons and other commitments.

Book Sale in the Library 15-17 June at lunchtimes Non-fiction books that no longer meet curriculum requirements at school are being sold. Books from \$1 Parents & students welcome

Community Announcements

MUDGEE GYMNASTICS CLUB

Mudgee Gymnastics Club is offering weekly general gymnastics classes in the Mudgee Public School Hall (assess off Denison Street) Tuesday: 3.30 to 4.30pm for Girls turning 7 and Boys turning 5 @ 6 this year 4.30 to 5.30pm for Girls turning 8, 9 and 10 this year Thursday: 3.30 to 4.30pm for Girls turning 5 and 6 this year and Boys turning 7 this year 4.30 to 5.30pm for Girls turning 11+ this year and Boys turning 8+ this year Volunteers are needed – no prior experience with gymnastics is necessary. If you are a High School student or parent we would love to hear from you. For more information email Sacha Ethering at info@gymisfun.com or come to the hall at the times shown above.

STUCK?

Homework for Years 4-12; Assignment Research; Study Skills and Essay Writing; HSC Study Mid-Western Regional Council Library offers a FREE online homework help service! http://library.midwestern.nsw.gov.au Click on Your Tutor on left hand menu! Call the Library on 6378 2740 or drop in for more information.

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ABSENCE NOTES

Below is a sample of Mudgee High School Absence Notes which are available in a booklet from the front office.

	MUDGEE HIGH SCHOOL ABSENCE NOTE		
Student	Student First Name	Surname	Roll Class
Year	Year		
Full or Part Day (s)	Full Day(s) (Date) from	to	
Date/Time	Part Day (Date)	Time From	_ to
From to	Reason (tick one) ¹ Sick	¹ Family Emergency	¹ Medical appointment
Reason	¹ Doctor's Certificate Attached	¹ Other Appointment (Please Specify)
ÍSick	¹ Other Reason (Please Specify)		
^f Family Emergency	Parent Name	Signature	Contact No:
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