

Monday: 20th June 2011

Term 2 – Week 9



# MHS Newsletter



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## Coming Events:

- June 23 & 24 Year 10 Half Yearly Exams
- June 27 – P&C/School Council Meeting 7.30pm Library
- June 28 – Gold & Silver Awards Year 11 & 12
- July 1 – Last day Term 2
- July 18 – Staff Development Term 3
- July 19 – Day 1 Term 3

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## Principal's Message

Thank you to the vast majority of our families who are supporting the efforts of the P&C and school staff in ensuring that our students wear the correct school uniform.

Unfortunately some students are having difficulty in respecting the wishes of the school community in the wearing of uniform. To assist them the school is collecting and purchasing a supply of uniform. Students who are out of uniform on a particular day will be given the correct items to wear before they return to classes.

Parents can assist us by ensuring that:  
-trackpants are not worn for general wear  
-coloured non-MHS jackets are not worn.

The Mini MAD Concert held last week provided a wonderful opportunity for students to practise their performance skills. The Creative and Performing Arts Staff are to be congratulated on maintaining this tradition.

Year 10 Half Yearly Exams will be held at the end of this week. These exams allow staff and students to gauge progress towards the statewide external examinations of the School Certificate.

The staff of Mudgee High are currently preparing Semester 1 reports for students in the Junior school. Many, many hours of work go into preparing these very comprehensive documents. Semester 1 reports will be presented, along with Effort/Achievement Awards at a special ceremony on Tuesday of week 2 next term.

Parents of Year 10 students are encouraged to make every effort to attend an information evening on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> July (Week 1 Term 3). Staff will make a series of presentations on the evening to explain the intricacies of the senior curriculum.

*Steve Jones – Deputy Principal*

## **Yr 12 Industrial Technology News**

All students are currently busy working on their major projects. Months of design and planning are coming to fruition in the form of high quality furniture or timber items. Many students are taking full advantage of extra tuition time before and after school. Some are coming in to school on the weekend and have also planned to attend workshop sessions during the upcoming holidays.

## **Computing**

The Stage 5 Information Technology Certificate 1 VET board endorsed course offered as a 100 hr (1 year course) is proving to be a very popular course. All skills learnt in Year 9 and 10 translate well to assist students continuing studies in this area in senior VET computing courses.

*Mr Roberts*

## EQUESTRIAN TEAM

The North West Equestrian Expo was held in Coonabarrabran from 3<sup>rd</sup> until 7<sup>th</sup> June. There were in excess of 600 horses and 550 competitors. A team of 10 riders represented Mudgee High School, they included: Mimi Tym, Paige Theunissen, Skye Rochester, Laura Wurth, Ryan Martin, Brooke Munro, Samantha Perring, Claudia Hughes, Maddy Branks and Annalise Wilson. The team performed well over the five days of competition. Mudgee High School is proud of their efforts. Some of the results include, One Day Event: Brooke Munro 5<sup>th</sup>, Claudia Hughes, Samantha Perring and Laura Wurth 8<sup>th</sup>, Maddy Branks and Mimi Tym 10<sup>th</sup> and Ryan Martin 11<sup>th</sup>. The 6 Bar team (Mimi Tym, Claudia Hughes, Maddy Branks and Paige Theunissen) came 7<sup>th</sup>. In the Working Horse Challenge Brooke Munro came 9<sup>th</sup>. In show jumping Skye Rochester and Samantha Perring placed 2<sup>nd</sup> and Claudia Hughes 7<sup>th</sup>. In sporting Brooke Munro received a 1<sup>st</sup> and a 4<sup>th</sup> and Maddy Branks a 2<sup>nd</sup>. In the Team penning, which comprised Ryan Martin, Mimi Tym and Brooke Munro Mudgee High came 10<sup>th</sup>. With such a large number of competitors it is amazing how well Mudgee High School performed and reflects the dedicated students and their efforts.



*North West Equestrian Team*



A big thank you to parents who travelled to Coonabarrabran and camped (or caravan parked) with their children and horses for the duration of the event. The time, effort and money you spend are greatly appreciated!



*Dunedoo Team*



*Ryan & Brooke with Champion & Reserve Champion*



*Mendooran Team*

## INDUSTRIAL ARTS

HSC major projects in Design and Technology and Industrial Technology are now well underway and students are working towards completion in August this year. This is always a busy time as many students are doing more than one major work and careful time management is becoming essential.

The end of term means that students have selected new Vertical Integration elective subjects. Students are reminded that if they have selected an Industrial Technology timber or metal elective that the wearing of enclosed solid leather or leather like footwear is compulsory under OHS legislation. This is not only a department requirement but a workcover requirement as well. Students in years 9 and 10 are expected to bring their DER laptop fully charged to each lesson at the beginning of the course to allow for the completion of mandatory safety tests. This must be done before commencing any practical. Again this is a compulsory requirement of these courses. This enables students to be well prepared to follow all practical room safety rules.

Many students in Industrial Technology Timber have been exposed to the world of CNC routing and machining this semester. Mr Smith, Mr Huish and Mr O'Sullivan have been working hard and students are reaping the benefits with engraved names and logos appearing on many projects upon their completion. This is a great technology, one which students are really enjoying.

**MEN'S HEALTH WEEK**

Were you aware that Men's Health Week was last week? It was made to heighten the awareness of preventable health problems and encourage early detection and treatment of disease among men and boys.

Men's Health week gives health care providers, public policy makers, the media, and individuals an opportunity to encourage men and boys to seek regular medical advice and early treatment for disease and injury. The response has been overwhelming with hundreds of awareness activities. Diseases include prostate cancer, depression, testicular cancer and many more. Support Men's Health Week!! <http://www.menshealthmonth.org/week/index.html>

**Community Announcements**

**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!  
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Call the Library on 6378 2740 or drop in for more information

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