Monday 29th October 2012 Term 4 – Week 4



# **MHS Newsletter**



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### **Coming Events:**

- Nov 8 HSC concludes
- Nov 14 Y12 Sign out day
- Nov 16 Y12
   Farewell
- Dec 7 Y10 Peer Support to Luna Park

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# Principal's Message

Thank you to Mr Jones for his excellent work as relieving principal while I was on leave. It is wonderful to be reminded of the depth of leadership at Mudgee High School. Whenever anyone has to step up they provide effective leadership for their faculty or at a whole school level. This is a reflection of the experience and dedication of the staff at Mudgee HS.

I am pleased to announce that both Mr Jones and Mrs Broadley will be recognised with a Director General's Award for their excellent service to public education. The ceremony will take place later this term and we will celebrate properly after the official announcement. Many of your children will have been assisted by these two dedicated public school teachers either within the classroom or in their wider roles in student welfare, curriculum development and school policy initiatives.

During this term a large number of staff will be marking the HSC. While this means they need to be replaced in their classes for a short time the experience they gain has a very positive impact on students. By undertaking this difficult and sometimes gruelling task they provide their expertise to ensure the fair and consistent marking of this years' papers. They also gain insights into how other schools and students approach the work and establish networks with other dedicated and experienced teachers. I would like to thank them for undertaking this work and also thank the teachers who fill in for them in the classroom and their other roles while they are away.

The Higher School Certificate exams continue at AREC. Students have generally been happy with the papers and feedback from teachers has been positive. The supervisors have been happy with the cooperation of students and their attitude. This week exams will be conducted in Modern History, Agriculture, Construction, English Extension 1, Indonesian Beginners, Personal Development Health and Physical Education, History Extension, Information Technology, Textiles and Design, Physics and Legal Studies.

# This week's P&C awards were given to:

Year 7 – Callan Double; Year 8 – Nicklaus Pearce; Year 9 – Verity Morley; Year 10 – Maddy Fletcher; Year 11 – Hugh Berridge

These awards recognise students who on a consistent basis show respect for other students and their teachers, have a caring attitude and who work consistently to do their best in their classes and other school activities. Louise Manwaring - Principal

# Do your block for Gonski

If you would like to assist in the campaign for better funding for public schools like ours, there is a great opportunity coming up. As part of the national I Give a Gonski campaign, parents, teachers, principals and education support staff from schools across Australia will be letterboxing in their local neighbourhoods between November 10 and 17. They will be letting people know about the Gonski Review, which found there needs to be an urgent increase in funding for education and public schools in particular, across the nation and an overhaul of the way funding is delivered. Extra funding would make a real difference, allowing schools like ours to invest in ways that will benefit students like additional teachers and more support for students in the classroom. Teachers, parents and support staff from our school will be taking part in this action. It would be great if you could assist to help keep the pressure on the politicians to deliver for our children. The Gonski Review report was released in February this year. In September the Federal Government agreed to act on the findings of the Gonski Review. But all the state and territory governments are yet to come on board and agree to contribute at least part of the extra funding required. Please support this activity if you can. You can distribute letters in your street, your block or even the whole neighbourhood if you have time. The school contact for more information is Louise Manwaring You can learn more and download a copy of the letter to distribute at the campaign website: www.igiveagonski.com.au

#### **CREATIVE ARTS NEWS**

**HSC Exhibition** -The official opening will be at Fairview Art Space on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> November at 6pm. This Exhibition celebrates the very high standard of works by Mudgee High School's Visual Art, Textile and Design, Industrial Technology and Society and Culture students of 2012. All Welcome

**Mirri** - Ms Peters is currently working on this year's school magazines. They will be available for sale at the Presentation evening on 13 December. The cost will be a reasonable \$10.

**MAD Concert** – this year's Music Art & Drama Concert will be held on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> December in the school Gym. Students wishing to be involved should see Mr Holleman or Mr Hayward.

Art students are encouraged to bring in their most creative and interesting artworks to be displayed on the night.

# STATE ATHLETICS CARNIVAL AND AUSTRALIAN ALL SCHOOL ATHLETICS REPORT

Early in September, Mudgee High Schools students travelled to Sydney to represent the Western Area Zone at the Combined High Schools State Athletics Carnival. The best Athletes in the State compete at this carnival and it is a great achievement to be selected in the regional team.

The following students competed in individual events: Jessica Winsper, Rebecca Bailey, Lauren Hodgetts, Macy Morley, Zoe da Roza, Trent McDonnell, Ben Reinhard, Matilda Single, Peta Travers-Jones and Courtney Brackenrig. Zoe placed 7<sup>th</sup> in the 100m and 200m finals and Trent placed 6<sup>th</sup> in the 400m final which were excellent results. Courtney was outstanding and surprised herself by placing 2<sup>nd</sup> overall in the 14 years Javelin. This is an outstanding and well deserved as they have a trained hard.

Mudgee High also had three girls relay teams running at the CHS carnival.

The 12 years team consisting of Macy Morley, Melissa Wisbey, Isobel Finter and Chantelle Pinilla qualified for the final and placed 6<sup>th</sup> in the state overall.

The 15 Years team consisted of Zoe da Roza, Courtney Brackenrig, Jessica Buckman and Rachael Byrne. This team unfortunately did not qualify for the finals but did very well to make it to CHS heats.

The 17 years team members were Jessica Winsper, Ruby Marshall, Lauren Hodgetts and Rebecca Bailey. This team performed well, especially with their younger member of the team racing against girls a lot older, but unfortunately they had some bad luck on the day and did not qualify for the final.

Well done to all these students.

Early in Term 4, Zoe da Roza and Courtney Brackenrig competed at the Australian All Schools Athletics Carnival. Courtney performed brilliantly again and placed 3<sup>rd</sup> overall in the 14 years Javelin. Congratulations to her and also to Zoe for being selected to compete and perform at such a high level.

# FREE TO A GOOD HOME

Please contact the front office if you can make use of any of the following cartridges.

**Printer Cartridges** 

<u>Make</u>		Compatible with/For Use In	Qty
HP LaserJet	78A	HP LaserJet Professional 1566.P1606	2
HP LaserJet	36A	HP LaserJet M1120mfp.M1522 mfp.P1505	1
OfficeMax	TK17	Kyocera TK17	1
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Kyocera	TK-65	Ecosys Printer 3820 & 3830 series	2
ReTone	TK 65	Kyocera-Mita FS-3820N & FS-3830N	1
Laser Toner	TK-65	Kyocera FS3820/3830	1
Kyocera	TK-110	Ecosys Printer 720 series, 820 series, 920	2
		series	
Toner Kit	TK-110	Kyocera Mita FS-720/820/920 Series	1
Kyocera	TK-120	Ecosys Printer 1030 series	1
Kyocera	TD-81K	Colour printer – 5900C – black toner	1
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**Staple Cartridges** 

<u>Description</u>	<u>Quantity</u>
Rexel Staple Cartridge No. 06308	2 x 5000
Toshiba Staple-100 660 84111 (3 pcs./pieces)	1



#### **CHILD STUDIES**

In Child Studies 1 students have been given the opportunity to feel what it's like to be nine months pregnant! The pregnancy profile simulator vest replicates the third trimester of pregnancy. All students (boys and girls) get the opportunity to physically experience the weight of pregnancy and their decisions. The pregnancy profile is a weighted pregnancy suit, weighing around 12kgs. It simulates many of the physical strains a pregnant woman would experience such as weight gain, shallowness of breath, foetal movement, and pressure from foetal limbs, back ache, balance problems, awkward movement, and pressure on the bladder. Not for the faint hearted! *Miss Walsh* 

#### YEAR 12 (2013) FOOD TECHNOLOGY

Year 12 (2013) have begun the HSC course with enthusiasm. We are currently studying trends in the Australian Food Industry. The images show the class making a spicy chicken and noodle dish which demonstrates the wide culture

influences on our cuisine.









#### TAS - HOME EC

During the semester the classes in Home Ec have been busily producing a varied range of amazing and creative items. Unfortunately a small number of students consistently *forget* to bring their practical gear and miss out on achieving some of these wonderful results. Some gentle reminders from parents would be gratefully appreciated.

# **TX01 FUNKY SLEEPWARE**

This is an introductory unit that allows students to grasp the basics of good sewing. They follow a simple pattern to produce some 'funky pyjamas' and then create a tie dyed matching singlet or tee shirt. Many students have finished these projects and are now creating other projects like head bands and drawstring bags.



#### **TX03 SEWING WITH KNIT FABRICS**

Students build on their skills and learn to construct a garment from knit fabrics. 'Rugby Jumpers', 'Hoodies' and 'Sloppy Joes' are all possibilities in the unit. Projects can be personalised with applique and screen printed designs. This is a Semester One course and allows students to have their own fashion item ready for winter.

#### What Year 11 can look forward to

The first project for Year Eleven Textiles in 2013 will be a Textile Art picture using a variety of machine and hand embroidery techniques. The compilation will draw inspiration from the Great Barrier Reef and underwater scenes from the movie's like Finding Nemo. A decorative wall art of an underwater scene will be the final result.



#### This Semester in TX 02

A wide variety of projects have been made in felting this semester. The students have worked on individual items and some have made more than one. Some of the projects have included shoulder bags, pencils cases, clutch purses and mobile phone cases. Felt flowers have been made by hand, beaded and stitched onto items as added embellishment. Work by Sally Carrall who received a Principal's Award for the excellent work.



Other students work

From the left: Sophia McRae, Annalise Wilson and Ashley Whittington



Hannah Tindall Laying out the fibre and making a piece of felt



**FT02 Let's Celebrate** students this semester have been busy developing their skills. Their decorated birthday cakes were a work of art. The designs were creative and varied. Most students found an image and modified it to make it suitable for a cake design. Technology was an asset as it allowed students to refer to the image as they worked through their process.



#### **YEAR 11 MARINE STUDIES**

In November the Marine Studies students will be heading to Nelson Bay for our annual coastal excursion. Mr Willetts will be conducting courses to teach students to dive, whilst others will be doing advanced diver training. It is one of the most biologically diverse areas of the east coast of Australia (including QLD)!!

It is an excellent opportunity for the students to able to interact with and 'discover' a great variety of our marine life including beautiful sponges, anemones, coral, brittle stars, sea stars, sea pens, sea tulips, several sea horse and pipe fish species, blue groper and many other types of wrasse, several eels, catfish, various ray and shark species, octopus, over 60 species of nudibranchs, cuttlefish, schools of kingfish...

A highlight for many will be the experience of swimming through the middle of large schools of seemingly tame fish (mado, stripey's, big eyes, roughies and pomfreds), who only make a slight opening for you to glide through!

# **World Education Program Australia Limited**

WEP is a not-for-profit student exchange organisation registered with the education departments, offering Australian secondary school students the opportunity to live and study overseas for a summer, semester or year and mature, gain confidence, develop self-awareness and an understanding of the world and international relations.

Find out More by visiting <a href="https://www.wep.org.au">www.wep.org.au</a> or call 1300 884 733 to discuss suitable program options and request an information pack, including WEP's free application form.

# Mudgee Baptist Church - 70 Bruce Road

Ginger Bread House Making Evening Friday 16<sup>th</sup> November – 7pm

Ginger Bread Kit \$35 – includes icing, sweets for decoration, presentation board and cellophone wrap Call Lydia - 6372 3592 for more info

Tickets can be purchased from Hannaford Cox (opposite Newsagent Market St) or Fire and Water (12 Sydney Rd.)

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