

Monday 13th February 2012
Term 1– Week 4



MHS Newsletter



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Coming Events:

- Feb 14 – Uni Roadshow P1&2
- Feb 17 – Swimming Carnival
- Feb 23 – Y7/11/12 Parent/Teacher Evening 4-7pm - Gym
- Feb 23 – Y9 Laptop Parent Info– 6.30pm Performance Centre
- Feb 27 – P&C Meeting 7.30pm Library

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Principal's Message

We are looking forward to our swimming carnival on Friday. All students in Years 7 – 9 are expected to attend. Please ensure notes are sent in for any absences. Years 10 – 12 have normal lessons unless they have nominated to compete.

Many thanks to parents of students who have so emphatically supported our uniform drive. Don't hesitate to contact me and let me know of any issues. I regularly talk to our suppliers and pass on suggestions and comments where there are concerns. Students who are out of uniform, including not having the school badge on shorts, should have a parent note. This also applies to sports uniform.

On Thursday 23rd February we will be holding a parent/teacher afternoon for Years 7, 11 and 12 from 4 to 7pm. Booking sheets will come home with students this week. If you don't get one please contact the office. You can also make appointments by phoning the teacher. This is a chance to meet your student's new teachers and discuss issues which may help him/her make good progress this year. Parents of Year 9 also have a meeting on Thursday 23rd February at 6.30pm. This meeting will discuss the issuing of laptops to Year 9 students. It is essential all Year 9 students and a parent attend this meeting in the Performance Centre.

As happens every year our timetable will need some adjustments in the first few weeks. Some small classes may be amalgamated while other overly large classes will need to be split into two groups. This enables us to make best use of available resources to meet student needs. We are working toward this as quickly as possible to minimise disruption. More information will be given to students and parents as the process evolves. The major changes will be in Year 10 where numbers are smaller than last year, and Year 11 where numbers are larger than anticipated.

Our focus this year is on student engagement and achievement, developing positive relationships and making all we do efficient and effective. As part of this all students are asked to make a real commitment to attend every day and complete their work to the highest possible standard. All members of our school community are expected to also commit to the school's ethical standards by being consistently honest, courteous and respectful and by opposing discrimination and harrassing/bullying behaviour.

Louise Manwaring - Principal

PRIVATE CONVEYANCE FORMS

We wish to make parents of Year 7 students aware they need to make a new application for private conveyance allowance.

THANK YOU FROM BARNARDOS

I am writing to thank everyone involved in the donation of Christmas gifts, foods and money for Barnardos clients.

Staff distributed the donated gifts to disadvantaged families, all of which were very excited and grateful. For some of the young people and families, these would have been the only Christmas gifts they received.

I have enclosed a Certificate of Appreciation and thank you again for your continued support of our Agency. Jodi Burnstein – Senior Manager, Western NSW, Barnardos Australia

ATTENTION YEAR 7 STUDENTS

Just a reminder that all students in Year 7 must have a Scientific Calculator for Maths. It is also recommended that students ask all their teachers (particularly in subjects like Art, Tech, Cooking etc) if they need anything specific for that subject. More useful tips like this will be coming in future weeks. These are available to purchase through the office for \$17.

CAREERS CAPERS!

During 2012 a number of careers related opportunities will be available to students to assist with their post school transition. The Careers Room (B18) also has resources available which students and parents are welcome to peruse and borrow.

Year 10 students will have Career Education for one period/week for the year dealing with such issues as career planning, preparing for work and post school options. Year 10 students will also be expected to complete a minimum of one week of work experience during the year.

All the students in Years 10-12 have the opportunity to participate in work experience which continues to be an effective way for students to evaluate career choices, establish workplace 'contacts' and develop skills.

Parents/Carers are encouraged to be involved in their child's career decision making by attending career information sessions, guest speakers etc at the school. Career events are usually advertised to students and parents via daily announcements in Roll Call, the DEC email and school newsletter.

Some upcoming career events for 2012 include:

Regional University Roadshow – Representatives from Charles Sturt, Southern Cross and the University of New England will speak with Year 12 students (and parents) on Tuesday 14.2.12 at 9.20am in the school gymnasium. Topics for discussion will include university courses, costs, pathways to uni, uni life and more.

Charles Sturt University (CSU) 'My Day' – Charles Sturt University (Bathurst, Dubbo, Wagga and Albury campuses) will offer Years 11 and 12 students a series of one day 'showcase' events featuring particular university courses eg Exercise Science and Arts / Business at Bathurst on 24th February and 16th March respectively. Students must register with the Careers Adviser to attend. This is the schedule for Term 1.

24/2	Bathurst	Exercise Science	<i>Exercise Science, Health and Physical Education</i>
6/3	Wagga Wagga	Teaching and Education	<i>Primary: Technology and Applied Studies; Secondary: English, Mathematics, Science</i>
13/3	Albury-Wodonga	Environmental Science	<i>Adventure Ecotourism; Parks, Recreation and Heritage; Environmental Science and Management</i>
13/3	Wagga Wagga	Arts	<i>Bachelor or Arts; Psychology; Social Work</i>
16/3	Bathurst	Arts and Business	<i>Bachelor of Arts; Business and Accounting courses</i>
20/3	Wagga Wagga	Business, Information Technology and Computing	<i>Accounting, Management, Marketing; Business Studies; Information Technology; Information Technology TAFE; Computing Studies (Business)</i>

TVET Outdoor Recreation

Year 12 students who completed the TVET Outdoor Recreation program last year have the opportunity to participate in a 'Return Snow' program in June/July this year. The program is free and contributes toward the Certificate II Outdoor Recreation qualification. Eligible students must register this week if keen to attend.

Defence Technical Scholarships

The Defence Forces offers a Scholarship of \$2000 (Year 11) and \$3000 (Year 12) to students considering a trade (apprenticeship) preferably though not specifically with the Defence Forces. Some school subject prerequisites may apply. A great opportunity for some financial assistance. Closing date for application is 9th March. For more details see www.defencejobs.gov.au/DTS or Careers Room.

A Useful Website!

www.myfuture.edu.au offers parents/carers and students a comprehensive career information and exploration service. It can assist with career decisions, planning career pathways and managing work transitions. Some sections within the site are specifically designed for parent/carers. An excellent 'one stop shop' which is worth a look!

If you have questions regarding the above careers news or any other aspect of your child's career developments please contact the school. *B Kempton – Careers Adviser*

Community Notices

MUDGEES DISTRICT NETBALL ASSOCIATION INC.

2012 Registration Day for Netball will be held in conjunction with the grand opening of the Glen Willow Sporting Complex on Friday 24th February 2012 from 4pm until 6pm. Players in all divisions are encouraged to register their intention to play on this day. Mudgee Netball Association committee members and the Netball NSW Regional Coordinator for the Central West will be on hand to answer questions and provide advice about the season ahead.

For more information go to www.mudgee.netball.asn.au ; Publicity Officer 0407 959 781

Expressions of interest are also being taken for the Foundation Coaching Course.

Register your interest at coaches@mudgeedistrictnetball.hwyt.com.au

Community Notices cont.

Mudgee Show Society

There will be a billy cart race at the show on 3rd March – so build a billy cart if you don't already have one and compete on the day for great family fun.

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