

Monday 6th August 2012
Term 3 – Week 4



MHS Newsletter



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Coming Events:

- Aug 8 to 10 -
Goodooga Games
- Aug 9 to 17 – Y12
Trial Exams
- Aug 11 to 17 – Ski
Trip
- Aug 27 – P&C
Meeting 7pm Library

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Principal's Message

Year 10 subject Selections

Now that students have been to the subject market the first stage of choosing for 2013 is really underway. By August 14, students will need to return their surveys. This step allows us to form subject lines, e.g. English is on one line and Mathematics is on another. However, the combinations of subjects on the other four lines, depends on what students are interested in studying. At the end of the survey students may still have to make some choices because some of their original selections may not run or may clash. Altogether it is an exciting and challenging time for Year 10 and their families but worth getting right.

Show a Little Kindness

On Monday 31 July at our Education Week launch, Lara Brett spoke of the value of showing kindness to others. She made the point that we are unlikely to regret showing kindness but may regret not having done so. If students can adopt this philosophy school will be happier for those around them – so how about it? Show a little kindness each day and reap the benefits.

Education Week

Congratulations to the students who performed and supported our CLC Education Week Launch. They will receive a Principal's Award for their efforts. We were very proud of them. Anyone who saw the flash mob in Mudgee near the clock tower at 12.30 will know the effort and energy that went into the show. It certainly made an impression on passers-by. Codey Burns and other students from Hospitality also made a real impression with their fantastic catering and our SRC members provided support and mentoring to students visiting from schools across the Region.



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P&C Award Winners are Danyon Leonard Schneider – Year 7; Madeline Harfield – Year 8; Zoe da Roza – Year 9; Jake Fahy – Year 10; Luke Neville – Year 11; Isabelle Berry – Year 12

Letter from Paige Theunissen

Dear Mrs Manwaring I just wanted to inform you of my recent achievement in acquiring a position at Lucton Boarding School in the United Kingdom. I had to apply to the tutors Worldwide <http://www.tutorsworldwide.org/> <http://www.luctonschool.org/>
I had to make the long list with my application. After that round I had to attend an interview in orange which would determine if I would make it on the short list. Then the UK schools review your application and interview then decide to offer you a position. I am so excited to work and live in the UK for a year and I think more students should know about this amazing opportunity.

Information on Babysitting

Babysitting is the most common job undertaken by 12-15 year olds in NSW with 21% working as babysitters. The NSW Commission for Children and Young People has developed a set of resources for teens who are working as babysitters and for parents engaging the services of a babysitter. To find out more and download factsheets go to:

<http://kids.nsw.gov.au/kids/kidzone/resources/babysitting.cfm#ixzz20TwsRDNo>

Louise Manwaring
Principal

CAREER CAPERS!

Although Year 12 are busily preparing for their upcoming Trial Exams, they should also be giving some thought to post school destinations. A number of apprentice and traineeship opportunities are available locally for 2013, details of which are being advertised in the local paper, via the internet or through the school. Information sessions relating to these vacancies are also underway.

Students considering TAFE courses in 2013, either locally, face to face or online are advised to research relevant courses and locations. Applications for high demand TAFE courses for 2013 close at the end of October 2012. Students have also been issued their free copy of the 2013 UAC (University Admissions) Guide. This provides information on courses, costs, accommodation, scholarships and more. The closing date for online, on-time university course applications is Friday September 28. Students can nominate up to nine course preferences. All eligible students should apply for university to keep options open. If needs be, deferment of a course offer in January 2013 is always a possibility.

Students should also consider applying for Early Entry to university (where students gain entry based on school recommendation) rather than solely the ATAR.

If students consider they have suffered long term educational disadvantage during their HSC year eg health or personal issues, then special provision via the various Access and Equity Schemes are available.



Mudgee High School students at the recent TVET Outdoor Recreation 'Snow' Program



In general, lots of opportunities exist for students at MHS and this also applies to careers activities, eg.:

- Job Expo (Dubbo) Wednesday Aug 22 for Years 10 and 11.
 - Women in Engineering Summit (University of Wollongong) January 2013 for Year 10 girls.
 - University of Newcastle 'Wollotuka' Indigenous student (pathways for entry to uni) meeting is being held today August 6 for Years 10, 11 and 12 Indigenous students here at the school.
 - Charles Sturt University (Dubbo Campus) 'My Day' event Thursday Aug 16 for Years 10 and 11 students.
 - 'Think Education' Group Presentation Friday Aug 24 for interested Years 10, 11 and 12 students.
 - RSA/RCG training Tuesday August 21 and Wednesday August 22 for Year 12.
- Further details of any of the above information or any related careers issues is available from the school.

University Open Days 2012

- University of New South Wales 1/9; Australian Defence Force Academy Canberra – 25/8
- University of Newcastle Central Coast campus (Ourimbah) 18/8; Newcastle campus (Callaghan) 25/8; Port Macquarie campus information night 30/8
- University of Sydney 25/8
- University of Technology Sydney UTS information day Broadway campus – 25/8; UTS Open Day Kuring-gai campus – 1/9
- University of Western Sydney Parramatta campus – 26/8
- University of Wollongong for personalised campus tours and special events call 1300 367 869
- William Blue College of Hospitality Management North Sydney – 18/8

CAREERS NEWS FOR YEAR 12 STUDENTS

- AICM (Australian International Conservatorium of Music) is Sat Sept 8. Includes live performances, workshops, tours and more. Details at www.aicm.edu.au
- Bedford College (Sydney) offers Diploma courses in Child Care and Business Management. Scholarships available. Open Day is Sept 15 and Fri Nov 23. Details at www.bedford.edu.au
- The University of Newcastle Open Day is Sat Aug 25 (Callaghan Campus) and Sat Aug 18 (Central Coast). Brochures available or visit www.newcastle.edu.au/opendays for details
- The 2013 University Admissions (UAC) is available. There is one free copy/student
- A copy of a 'Year 12 Checklist for Applying through UAC' and 'University Open Day Dates for 2012' is available
- Application forms for EARLY ENTRY, Application Forms & SCHOLARSHIPS AT U.N.E. (University of New England) are available. Closing date for return of applications Mon 27 Aug (to Mr Kempton). Non ATAR students are also eligible to apply for early entry at U.N.E.
- A representative from UNCLE (University of Newcastle) will talk to INDIGENOUS students about the UAC process, scholarships and more. Talk will be Mon 6/8. Please register with Mr Kempton
- The University of Notre Dame Student/Parent Information Evening is Tuesday Aug 21. Details available at www.sydneynnd.edu.au
- A SCHOLARSHIP is available in Snowboarding/Ski Instructing. Great opportunity. Details at www.easkiandsnowboard.com.au-schools-scholarship Applications close Fri Aug 10
- A reminder that the University of Wollongong (UOW) Early (Selective) Entry online application closing date is Wednesday August 15. Details for applying available or go to www.uow.edu.au/future/selectiveentry

LANGUAGES



Mudgee High recently hosted another successful visit from our sister schools in Japan. 19 students, 3 teachers, a principal and a tour escort from Kitasenri High School, Nose Senior High School and Ibaraki Nishi High School spent 11 nights with host families and enjoyed a full program of activities.

Having travelled from their rather hot and humid summer, the group found the cold, wet weather of Mudgee a little difficult to adjust to but did not let it dampen their spirits. The school program included ESL lessons, class integration, a Music lesson, an excursion to the Bathurst Goldfields and Ten Pin Bowling, a visit to the school farm, an Anzac biscuit cooking lesson, sport activities, a visit to Kindergarten classes at Mudgee Primary School and souvenir shopping at a Rotary sponsored gift shop.

Over the middle weekend of the visit, the majority of the group gathered on Saturday night to enjoy an Aussie style bonfire/BBQ. Many families also visited the Western Plains Zoo in Dubbo and other local attractions.

The tour culminated in a farewell party for all host families and their new family members. The Japanese group entertained us with a karate demonstration, dance performances, some traditional songs and Japanese games. On the last day of school we hosted a 'cultural exchange', enjoying more games, singing and dancing. *Ms Date & Miss Hutchins*

HSIE NEWS

The Year 11 Business Studies class participated in a mock business open day. Each student created their own business for their assessment task and then applied this knowledge in a practical format. The students' businesses and presentations were to a high standard and demonstrated some creative thinking. With the assistance of Mudgee Public School's 4S, we had a group of enthusiastic and eager consumers who were keen to test the ideas of the Year 11 students. This day provided students with an opportunity to see how to apply theoretical knowledge in a real world environment. Some notable businesses included Luke's Amazing Circus, Kirra's Kandy Confectionary, YouRL and Outback Exploration.

LEARN ABOUT YOURSELF!

As Marcel Proust, a late 19th century novelist wrote: "the real voyage of discovery consists not in seeking new landscapes but in having new eyes". Volunteer to host an international high school student in February 2013 through Southern Cross Cultural Exchange and prepare to be amazed at the way this unique and rewarding opportunity helps your family to become closer, to understand themselves better and to see the world in a new light. Carefully selected students will arrive in February for one or two semesters from France, Italy, Germany, Austria, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Finland, Japan, Canada and the USA. They will attend a local secondary school, arrive with their own spending money and comprehensive insurance cover – all arranged by Southern Cross Cultural Exchange. Visit us at our website www.scce.com.au, email scceaust@scce.com.au or call ur toll free on 1800 500 501, request our booklet of international student profiles, and capture the spirit of family and friendship.

MUDGEES PCYC – Dare to be Aware Young Driver Program

Free Program for Young Drivers aged 16 to 25 at Mudgee Airport
On Saturday 22nd Sept or Sunday 23rd Sept 9am to 4pm – Lunch provided
Booking of limited places Mudgee PCYC 63721367 or mudgee@pcycnsw.org.au

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