

Monday 21st October 2013

Term 4 – Week 3



MHS Newsletter



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Cudgegong Learning
Community

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OF EVENTS

Coming Events:

- Oct 18-24 – TVet Excursion
- Oct 28 - P&C Meeting 7pm Library
- Oct 30 – Transition visit MPS & CVPS
- Nov 8 – HSC concludes
- Nov 13 – Y12 Sign out Day
- Nov 14 – Y7 2014 Orientation Day
Y7 2014 Parent Info Night and Tour 6.30pm
- Y12 Formal

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Principal's Message

Congratulations to our Equestrian Team who were victorious at both Coolah and St Matthews Horse Sports Day winning best presented team and highest point score. Many individuals also received excellent results.

Congratulations to Courtney Brackenrigh for her medal at CHS All Schools Athletics Carnival. Courtney will now go on to compete at a National level and we wish her well.

We are looking forward over the next month to welcoming new students coming up to Year 7 in 2014 for their orientation. Mark November 14 on your calendar if you have a child in Year 6.

The HSC continues this week with exams in Modern History, Information Technology (VET) Mathematics, Industrial Technology, Extension Mathematics, General Mathematics, Primary Industries, Software Design and Development, Textiles and Design, Economics and History Extension. A busy week for Year 12 and our thoughts and best wishes are with you.

Don't forget if you need to make a payment you can now do it online via our website – Click on [\\$Make a Payment](#) and follow the prompts. Please use the online reference number from your invoice or excursion note to be sure we get the payment matched as you wish.

Parents of Years 7 and 9 students should have received their NAPLAN results last week.
Louise Manwaring
Principal

P & C AWARDS – T4 Week 1 - Congratulations to: Year 7 - Blore Woodberry; Year 8 – Kathering Byrne; Year 9 – Helena Shearman; Year 10 – Brandon Roth; Year 11 – Hamish McLennan.

JAPAN TRIP 2014 – INFORMATION EVENING

There will be a very important Japan Trip meeting for parents and students on **Thursday 24th October, 2013** starting at **7pm** in the **MHS Library**. Entry via Horatio Street car park. If you have not provided a copy of your passport, then now would be the perfect opportunity!

It is extremely important that each student travelling is represented at this meeting.

Ms Date & Miss Hutchins

Organising Teachers

VACCINATIONS

The final clinic for the year is planned for Tuesday 22nd October. At this clinic all year 7 students who have completed permission slips (prior to the previous clinic) will receive their third and final H.P.V vaccination as well as the second and final Hep. B vaccination. Year 9 boys will receive their third and final HPV vaccination. It is important that students who have started this program in the school clinics are here to finalize the program. If they miss the final vaccination parents will need to arrange for them to be vaccinated through their local doctor. Only students who have started this program will be able to be vaccinated on Tuesday. If you have any questions about this program please contact Carol Broadley at the school on 63721533 or Margo Mckenzie at Community Health on 63786236.

ABSENT STUDENT EXPLANATION

If your student is absent, emailing an explanation of the reason your student is absent from school is an option if this is more convenient for you. Unfortunately sometimes paper notes get lost in school bags and are not handed in. Our email address is at the top of the newsletter.

NAPLAN TESTS 2013

In May 2013 the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) was completed by all students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 in all government and non-government schools.

A letter providing parents and guardians with information regarding NAPLAN 2013 results will be sent home with students in Week 2 of Term 4.

The results of the tests will provide important information to schools about what each student can do, and will be used to support teaching and learning programs. Parents will receive a report indicating their child's level of achievement. Each student's level of achievement will be reported against the national minimum standard.

Please make an appointment with Mrs Best at Mudgee High School if you would like further information about your child's results or participation in NAPLAN. For more information about the tests, please visit the NAPLAN website at www.naplan.edu.au

MAX POTENTIAL INFORMATION NIGHT - CLUB MUDGEE - MONDAY 21ST OCTOBER, 5:30 – 6:30PM

Young adults over 16 years of age from all local high schools, young apprentices, trainees, and those out in the workforce are invited to come along and be inspired, informed and involved in learning all about developing your own personal leadership skills. Members of the business and general community who are interested developing their own personal leadership and coaching skills and helping make a positive difference in the lives of young adults are encouraged to be a part of this valuable program. It's a great way of investing in the future of our region and at the same time learning new skills that can be applied in the personal, life and work contexts.

A new initiative in 2014 will see all young adult participants who successfully complete the program also qualify for a Certificate I in Active Volunteering. The certificate, customised specifically for Max Potential, in partnership with the NSW Centre for Volunteering, builds on the basic generic skills required by all community-oriented organisations that enable volunteers to effectively participate in the organisation and undertake their community service work using basic practical skills required for the job. For further information contact Fiona Brown on 0407727083, Carol Cockerill-Wright on 63726712 or visit the website at www.max-potential.com.au and click on programs and then Club Mudgee.

FROM THE AB TEAM - SIGNS THAT YOUR CHILD MAY BE BEING BULLIED

Read the following to help you understand if someone you know is being bullied.

Emotional and behavioural signs

- Changes in sleep patterns
- Changes in eating patterns
- Frequent tears or anger
- Mood swings
- Feels ill in the morning
- Becomes withdrawn or starts stammering
- Becomes aggressive and unreasonable
- Refuses to talk about what is wrong
- Begins to target siblings
- Continually 'loses' money or starts stealing.

Physical signs

- Has unexplained bruises, cuts, scratches
- Comes home with missing or damaged belongings or clothes
- Comes home hungry.

School signs

- Doesn't want to go to school
- Changes their route to school or are frightened of walking to school
- Doesn't want to go to school on the bus/tram/train
- School grades begin to fall.

Other signs

Sometimes bullying can be far more hidden. The signs include:

- Often alone or excluded from friendship groups at school
- A frequent target for teasing, mimicking or ridicule at school
- Unable to speak up in class and appears insecure or frightened

Community Notices

MUDGEE CANCER SUPPORT AND FRIENDS

Will be holding their Annual Pick Ribbon Day Stall In Byron Place Laneway near St George
On Friday October 25 from 9am
Pins \$5, Pens \$6, Penny Bears \$10 plus lots of other items
All proceeds to the Cancer Council

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