

Friday 19th July 2013
Term 3 – Week 2



MHS Newsletter



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Coming Events:

- July 22 – P&C Meeting Library 7pm
- July 23 Sem 1 Awards Presentation for Years 7, 8, 9 & 10
- July 25 – Years 7, 11 & 12 Parent Teachers Evening Gym 3.45 -7pm
- July 30 – Y10 Subject Market Gym 4-7pm

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Principal's Message

Congratulations to students for completing semester 1 courses. The new semester gives all students a fresh start. Those who achieved great success in the first part of the year can build on this to move on to even more achievements by the end of the year. Students who felt they did not always work to their personal best have an opportunity to learn from what did work well, in semester 1 and strive to do better this semester.

Over the holidays we received the good news that Jess Edwards, Aaron Harris and Elizabeth Bradley were each awarded 10 free driving lessons by the Orana Education and Training Cooperative who have recently set up an office in Mudjee. Congratulations to those students.

In the next few weeks we will be putting final touches to some policy changes linked to our student welfare review. In particular our policy around student use of their own electronic devices will be finalised. At our P&C meeting on Monday 22 July the draft of this policy will be presented to parents. If you want to have a say please come along to our P&C meeting at 7pm in the library. At that time we will also present proposed changes to our level and recognitions procedures. These are important policies and we hope parents will get involved in their development.

What: P&C meeting – presentation of draft policies

When: Monday 22 July at 7pm

Where: Mudjee High School Library – enter via Horatio Street

As you are probably aware the Department has made changes to the way schools are grouped for organisational purposes. One big change that also occurred was the retirement of Mrs Carole McDiarmid who was our Western NSW Regional Director. From this term Mudjee High School moves into the Macquarie network of schools which includes Gulgong and Dubbo schools. Our Director of Schools is Michael Cronk who is located at Dubbo. We will be part of a large team of school networks which includes schools from Western NSW, the South Coast and the Riverina. This team is led by Ms Dail McGilchrist Executive director of our Public Schools. She works from three offices in Dubbo, Wagga Wagga and Warilla. The changes will not affect our links with our CLC schools or with our feeder primary schools even though some schools in the CLC are now in different networks. The CLC will continue to meet regularly and provide opportunities for students and staff as we always have.

In the last few weeks of Term 2 I travelled for a research fellowship to British Columbia and Alberta Canada. The purpose of my trip was to share with principals, administrators and leading academics ways to enhance opportunities for students and teachers in rural schools. I am currently in the process of writing up my research report and will share ideas with staff, students and parents during this term. During my absence things travelled along as usual under the capable leadership of Mr Wayne Eade. My thanks go to Mr Eade and other staff who stepped up to take on other roles in that time. One important insight I would like to share as a first comment – they have some great ideas and wonderful schools but there is no doubt that in many ways they could learn a lot from the way we do things here in Mudjee.

A reminder to make bookings for the Year 7, 11 and 12 Parent/Teacher night on Thursday 25th July. Students have been given booking sheets.

P & C Awards – T2 Week 9 – Congratulations to: Year 7: Allyssa Terrey Year 8: Tyson Mooney Year 9: Madalyn Newell Year 10: Hannah Price Year 11: Balin Leonard Year 12: Braeden Wilson

Louise Manwaring - Principal

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WESTERN AREA ATHLETICS

A reminder that Western Area Athletics will be held this Friday 26th July at Allan Morse Park in Bathurst. Best of luck to all students competing. Students who are travelling on the bus will need to meet at school at 6.15 am. Students travelling by car do not need to meet at school in the morning but need to ensure they will be at the venue by 8.30am. Students need to ensure that they meet Mrs Gallen or Mrs Kurtz when they arrive. The exact carnival finishing time is unpredictable, due to the nature of the event so students can ring their parents when we are leaving at the end of the day or alternatively parents can ring the school on 63721533 before 3.30pm and the office will have an expected arrival time. Please contact Mrs Gallen or Mrs Kurtz if you have any questions.

WESTERN AREA CROSS COUNTRY

Mudgee High had some excellent results at the Western Area Cross Country in Wellington last term. The following students placed in the top 6 in their age group and competed at the State Carnival early Term 3: Rebecca Bailey (3rd), Daniel Lowe (4th), Sarah Lowe (6th), Harrison Maynard (5th), Macy Morley (5th), Ben Rheinhard (1st), Mitchell Riley (1st), Christian Rowe (2nd), Melissa Wisbey (4th).

GULGONG COMBINED SCHOOLS HORSE SPORTS DAY



On 24th June ten students from Mudgee High School competed at the Gulgong Combined Schools Horse Sports Day. The competitors included: Samantha Perring, Annalise Wilson, Brooke Munro, Ryan Martin, Adelle Beer, Chloe Staub, Sophie Turner, Hannah Browne, Nicole Coubrough, and Natalie Treay. The students competed in a range of hacking and sporting events and received the following results: Hacking: Samantha received a 1st and a 3rd, Annalise received a 1st and a 4th, Brooke received a 1st and two 2^{nds}, Ryan received a 1st and a 3rd, Adelle received two 1^{sts}, Chloe received a 1st and a 4th, Sophie received a 2nd and a 3rd, Nicole and 1st and a 2nd, and Natalie a 1st. Sporting: Samantha received a 2nd, a 3rd and two 4^{ths}, Brooke received a 3rd and two 4^{ths}, Ryan received three 1^{sts} a 2nd, a 3rd and a 4th, Adelle received three 2^{nds}, two 3^{rds}, and 4th, Chloe received two 1^{sts} a 2nd and a 3rd, and Hannah received two 1^{sts}.

Combined together the students outstanding performance at the horse

sports day resulted in Mudgee High School achieving the highest aggregate score overall. Individually Ryan Martin received Champion for his age group and Adelle Beer received reserve champion.

A big thank you to all the students and their parents for their efforts on and leading up to the day. *Emma Kurtz*

YEAR 12 TEXTILES & DESIGN

In K3 (the Textiles room) there is a hive of activity with the year 12 textiles students bringing their major works to completion. Most of the students took advantage of the holiday workshops and completed the major part of their project. Wednesday of week 4, the 7th of August is the hand in date for completed Textiles Folios & Projects. The creativity, dedication and the high standard of workmanship is evident in all work major works this year and the girls deserve to do well in their final results.

Textiles 06

Last semester the students in TX06 designed and produced a wall art on the theme of Sweet Treats. Two of the students works have been selected and will be sent to Sydney to be part of a Technology Teachers Association junior textiles competition. The successful students were:

Ashley Whittington



Koby Barker



Year 7 Technology Mandatory

Year seven Technology Mandatory students baked a range of biscuits and many excelled with their organisation presentation and cooking skills. The students blossomed during the term and great results were achieved by all. Below evidence of the skills developed is shown.



Adam O'Connell, Daniel Walters & Jack Tant



Bethany Clayton & April Marshall



Alexandra Harris & Ebonique Lees



Chloe Smith & Tamika Moore



YEAR 12 HOSPITALITY EXCURSION

Mudgee High School Year 12 Hospitality students took part in an excursion to Sydney, giving these students a unique insight into the hospitality industry, which will be invaluable for their HSC preparation. Students travelled to Sydney where they undertook activities that focused on gaining a better understanding of the hospitality industry.

This included a tour of Panthers World of Entertainment. Students were given a behind the scenes tour of the catering facilities by the Panthers Head Chef followed by a tour of the function and exhibition spaces within the complex. The excursion moved on to Leichhardt where students gained an understanding of Italian Cuisine.

Students stayed overnight on the 71st floor of the World Tower Apartments- Sydney's highest residential building. Each apartment had sweeping views of Sydney.

This provided students with an insight into the standard of service and accommodation required in a four and a half star hospitality establishment.

The Hospitality excursion encourages our students to experience many types of food to increase their understanding and appreciation of food preparation, presentation skills and new culinary experiences. These included dining in Italian and Japanese Teppanyaki restaurants.

The highlight of the excursion was the Good Food Show in Sydney where students attended celebrity chef Ainsley Harriett's stage show. The Good Food Show also gave the students a greater depth of understanding of the current trends, culinary techniques and vocational opportunities within the hospitality Industry.

This excursion was made possible through the fundraising efforts of the Year 12 students operating the Inner Quad Café for senior students throughout the past year.

Mr Nicholls



Community Notices

MUDGEES READERS' FESTIVAL

Parklands Resort & Conference Centre Mudgee – 10th & 11th August 2013

Authors include: Mem Fox, Bettina Arndt, Katherine Howell, Tara Moss, Berndt Sellheim, Sarah Turnbull, Chris Turney, Toni Jordan, Richard Beasley, Stephanie Dowrick, Peter Goldsworthy & Susan Johnson.

Talks, literary lunch & dinner, second-hand book fair. Tickets from \$10

Event Information: info@mudgeereadersfestival.com.au or www.mudgeereadersfestival.com.au or 0427 406905

FASHION PARADE

Wanted: Volunteers, 17 years and older, to model Alpaca Wool Garments
For Fashion Parade on 3rd August 2013

At AREC

If interested please call Judy Kain 6372 1714

AUSTRALIAN DECORATIVE AND FINE ARTS SOCIETY

Lectures are held Friday evenings at 6.30pm sharp at Cudgegong Valley School Hall, Madeira Road, Mudgee

Upcoming lectures are:

26th July – Mary Alexander – Meet Me at the Waldorf: The Extraordinary Story of Two Iconic Hotels Built on Astor Feuds, Fortunes and Art Patronage

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