

Monday 12th August  
Term 3 – Week 5



# MHS Newsletter



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Cudgegong Learning  
Community

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OF EVENTS

## Coming Events:

- Aug 8 – Aug 16  
Year 12 Trial Exams
- Aug 11 – Aug 16  
Ski Trip
- Aug 26 – P&C  
Meeting 7pm  
Library
- Aug 29 – Parent  
/Teacher Evening  
Years 8, 9 & 10

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## Principal's Message

Congratulations to Year 10 on their efforts during Decade day. Some fantastic costumes were worn and students had researched their decade to explore the music, food and household goods. The teachers also got into the spirit with their costumes and performance. A big thank you to Mrs Mort who led the HSIE faculty for this event.

Following the trial HSC, Year 12 students are invited to apply for a Principal's Gold Medal. Application forms are available from the Front Office. They close on August 28, so don't leave it till the last minute. Return applications to the office. Students in other years will be able to apply in Term 4.

The AB Team is back! After a short break the Anti-Bullying Team is up and running again. Over 20 students have volunteered and we are planning our launch on assembly in early September. This is a team of students who work to reinforce our culture of "Say No to Bullying" They wish to help all students to feel safe and to teach how to stop bullying. Our focus this term will be on cyber bullying which is increasing as more and more young people access the internet and use technology in their everyday lives. Over the next few newsletters look out for ideas on how parents can help their children stay safe online.

**P & C Awards – T3 Week 4 – Congratulations to: Year 7: Mikaela Carr Year 8: Rebecca Allen Year 9: Nicholas Stewart Year 10: Chloe Smith Year 11: Lucy O'Connell Year 12: Maddison Lincoln**

*Louise Manwaring – Principal*

## Western Area Athletics Carnival

On Friday 26<sup>th</sup> July approx 50 MHS students travelled to Bathurst to compete at the Western Area Athletics Championships. After a very ICY start to the day, students did very well to motivate themselves in the early morning events. Not all students made it to the next level, although it was pleasing to see many were able to improve in their chosen events and they should be very proud of this.

The 13 year girls, 17 year girls and 14 year boys relay teams all placed 2<sup>nd</sup> and will now compete at the State Carnival at Homebush in September. The teams included the following students, Isabel Burke, Macy Morley, Caitlin Shoulders, Felicity Smith (13G), Jesse Boness, Brodie Leeson, Ryan Innes, Oliver Johns (14B) Rachael Byrne, Zoe Da Roza, Courtney Brackenrig and Sophie Maher (17G).

Ryan Tyrrell, Scott Callaghan, Bayly Brown, Macy Morley, Courtney Brackenrig, Ben Reinhard, Angus Loughnan, Mikaela Barnes, Ryan Innes and our Yr 12 Champion in her last year Rebecca Bailey also qualified for CHS in individual events. Good luck to you all. Congratulations to these students and well done to all the students who participated and represented our school in an excellent manner. It is always a very long day. Thank you to the parents who assisted with transporting students on the day, it is much appreciated.

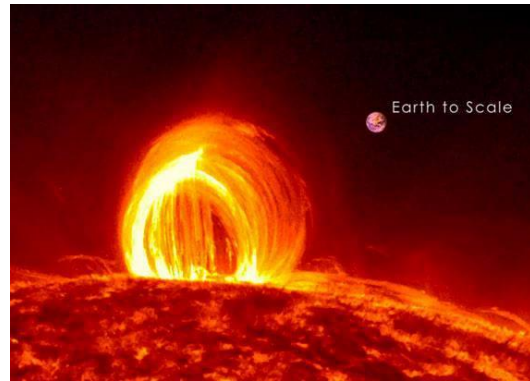
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## SCIENCE FACULTY NEWS



There is an old saying; 'Physics is fun'. This is certainly the case with Physics this year. While in the last newsletter we talked about their trip to Mt Panorama, this time, with Mrs Harries, they have visited Mudgee Radiology and Mudgee Observatory as part of their study of their HSC electives. Students were lucky enough to study the processes involved with such aspects as ultrasounds, x-rays and CT scans.



Mudgee Observatory with its quality instruments gave an insight into the nature of our solar system, galaxy and beyond.



Year 11 Biology have also had an exciting time visiting Dubbo zoo as part of their studies of The evolution of Australian Plants and Animals. Accompanied by Mr Manwaring and Mrs Gadd, they examined a range of fossils and examined the relationship between them and more recent animals. Mind you the animals became bored after a while.

With The HSC trials upon us and the Year 11 preliminary exams not far off, some study advice. The students need to ensure they are practising either past papers or questions. Whether they are past HSC questions or text book questions, or half yearly papers, this needs to be the focus for those wishing to maximise their marks.

### Science Competition

Congratulations to all the students entering the University of New South Wales Global Science Competition and the Rio Tinto Science Competition. Credits were achieved by Steffanie Horton, Ben Reinhard, Danica Roberts, Madison Nemec, Jordan Payne, Robert Harries and Connor Jones. Distinctions were achieved by Robert Harries and Connor Jones. Kaitlyn Kurtz achieved the outstanding results of distinctions in both of these competitions.

Now for the latest round of Science Trivia.



Did you know the Scoville Heat Unit is a measure of Chilli strength (hotness) and the hottest chilli is the Trinidad Scorpion "Butch T" which was grown by The Chilli Factory (Australia) and rated at 1,463,700 Scoville Heat Units (SHU). (Tabasco sauce is 30,000 SHU).

### **Paid Advertisements**

*(If you would like to advertise in the school newsletter please contact the office.)*

### **Community Notices**

#### **Mudgee Running Festival 2013 – 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> August**

The Mudgee Running Festival is well known for its relaxed friendly atmosphere which is perfect for the first timer who is looking for a no-pressure race, yet is still a course that is challenging to the experienced marathoner. Refer to the website for times and more details about the event or visit our facebook page – [www.mudgeetriclub.hwy.com.au](http://www.mudgeetriclub.hwy.com.au)  
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Below is a guide to the new HSC online site. All Year 12 should have a look – there are some great ideas to help you leading up to the HSC.



## SUBJECTS

[hsc.csu.edu.au](http://hsc.csu.edu.au)

*NSW HSC Online* provides supplementary resources for the following 51 subjects. Content is developed by experienced HSC teachers under the leadership of the NSW Department of Education and Communities.

Aboriginal Studies	Industrial Technology
Agriculture	Information Processes and Technology
Ancient History	Information Technology
Arabic	Italian
Automotive	Japanese
Biology	Korean
Business Services	Legal Studies
Business Studies	Mathematics
Chemistry	Metal and Engineering
Chinese	Modern Greek
Community and Family Studies	Modern History
Construction	Music
Dance	PDHPE
Design and Technology	Physics
Drama	Primary Industries
Earth and Environmental Science	Retail
Economics	Senior Science
Engineering Studies	Society and Culture
English	Software Design and Development
Entertainment	Spanish
Food Technology	Textiles and Design
French	Tourism and Events
Geography	Turkish
German	Vietnamese
Hospitality	Visual Arts
Indonesian	

## STUDENTS

The website provides access to:

- a rich range of current, quality assured resources prepared and developed by experienced HSC teachers, examiners and academics
- resources that focus on the more challenging aspects of the HSC courses and complement classroom learning
- virtual field trips, speaking and listening tasks, interactive quizzes
- links to relevant quality online knowledge sites around the world
- study and exam techniques to improve assessment and examination results
- information about life beyond the HSC including career paths and further study.

## TEACHERS

*NSW HSC Online* provides support for teachers preparing students for the NSW HSC, particularly those teachers working in rural schools.

Resources include:

- teaching strategies to support the HSC syllabus
- internet site reviews
- tools for teaching and learning online
- links to the Board of Studies and the Professional Teachers' Council.

## PARENTS

Information to support parents and carers of HSC students is available in a number of languages including:

- Arabic
- Chinese
- Filipino
- Khmer
- Korean
- Macedonian
- Serbian
- Spanish
- Turkish
- Vietnamese

