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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Coming Events:

- Dec 13 – EoY Presentation Evening in the Gym 7pm
- Dec 15 – Year Assemblies in the Gym
- Dec 16 – Last day of Term 4

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Principal's Gold update

What a pleasure it was to finish last week interviewing students who not only model our universals of being safe, responsible and successful, but are consistently hitting personal bests in their academic work, their sports and their cultural pursuits. The names of the successful will be announced at the end of year presentation evening, but I really felt the need to share with you the joy that comes with speaking with young people set to do great things.

Defibrillator

Each year, our departing Year 12 purchases a gift for the school. This year's Year 12 made a gift of \$1,500 to the school to assist in purchasing a defibrillator. Today (Monday 28/11), I along with Mr Hatch and Mrs Kurtz collected the device from the good people at Westfund. The company has a deal with schools that they will donate \$1,000 to the cost of a school-purchased defibrillator. With such a great offer on the table, it was hard to refuse.

It is worth noting that the average survival rate of Australians who have suffered Sudden Cardiac Arrest (SCA) is 3%, while the survival rate for Australians treated with a defibrillator within minutes of suffering a SCA is better than 85%

(<http://www.laerdal.com/au/docid/36016554/The-Importance-of-Early-Defibrillation>)

The defibrillator will be kept in our clinic – when we eventually move back into the Administration Block (see below) – but in the interim will be kept in the library. Staff are trained and retrained each year in the use of defibrillators, so this device is a welcome addition to our armoury of potentially life-saving equipment kept on site.

Mr Browning in the chair

Today (Monday 28/11) is my last day for three weeks as I am taking a little long service leave. In my absence, Mr Browning will occupy the principal's chair, while Mr Whittington will fill his shoes and Mr Holleman fill in for Mr Whittington.

It is good to know that there are so many willing and able members of staff who are prepared to step up and take on the responsibilities of what are promotion positions, allowing for the continued smooth running of this huge enterprise.

So, if you do see me in Church Street over the next three weeks, rest assured that I am not truant.

SSRP... update

“When will the building works be finished?”

Indeed... a little like, “How long is a piece of string?”

Wet weather, sub-contractor availability and the need to work in and around infrastructure that is to remain have all conspired to delay the project. It is, however, progressing and talk now is about a January completion, prior to the return of staff and students.

Some pictures overpage of what it looks like on the Douro Street side. Be aware too that a slab has been laid for the modest bus shelter to be constructed on the Perry Street side of the school.

Until much later...

Wayne Eade



TERM 4 WEEK 6 AWARDS

P & C Awards: Year 7 – Brooke McPherson; Year 8 – Luke Hawkins; Year 9 – Holli Hill; Year 10 – Chloe Smith; Year 11 – Rebecca Allen

SRR Award: Hudson Brown Year 7

END OF YEAR PRESENTATIONS

As the end of the school year fast approaches, so does the time to acknowledge the fine efforts of our student body. Throughout the year, the efforts of students are recognised in sporting, academic, cultural and community pursuits. At the end of the year, student achievement is acknowledged at the School Presentation Evening, which this year will take place on **Tuesday 13th December at 7.00pm** in the school's gymnasium.

At this ceremony, students will be presented with Effort and Achievement awards for individual subjects in addition to Special Awards. The parents of students who are receiving awards on Presentation Evening will receive an invitation in the mail.

In addition to this ceremony, individual year groups will have their own Year Assemblies on Thursday 15th December, in the gymnasium. It is at these assemblies they will receive their reports. They will also receive Gold and Silver Awards, as well as Attendance, Canteen, Participation and Sporting Excellence Awards. Students will be able to ascertain whether they are receiving an award at this ceremony by checking their Year Group's noticeboard.

The schedule for Year Assemblies is: Year 8 – 9.30am; Year 7 – 11.00am; Year 9 – 12.30pm; Year 10 – 2.30pm

MATHS NEWS

Australian Mathematics Competition Results

Mudgee High School had a group of 25 students accept this challenge in 2016. Although Mr Lynn thought his promotion may have brought more brave candidates forward, the cream again rose to the top.



Of the 25 students who attempted the competition the achievements included 4 Distinction awards, 8 Credit awards and 7 Proficiency awards, with other students receiving a certificate of participation. These results indicate an even stronger showing than other recent years, again showcasing the talent that MHS has in its ranks.

Distinction awards were achieved by Steven Marshall (Year 8), Alex Sutherland (8), Daniel Kurtz (9), Ethan Reinhard (9). Credit award recipients were Lara Stubbs (Year 7), Magdalan Newton (9), Liam French (9), Adam O'Connell (10), Chloe Staub (11), Oliver Johns (11), Daniel Reinhard (11), and Theresa Roth (11). Congratulations to all students who showed the eagerness to attempt such a rigorous challenge. We look forward to offering this event again in 2017.

Mathematics Homework Room

The Mathematics Homework room has continued this term. It provides a great opportunity for students to engage with Mathematics teachers and utilise their expertise. The Homework room operates each Monday afternoon in room B09 between 3.30pm and 4.30pm. To date, this has been extremely well attended but we always look forward to welcoming new students. Students are also encouraged to seek help during breaks if they are having concerns with their work. There is always someone in the Mathematics staffroom that is willing to help.



Christmas Giving Tree

From November 28th the SRC will be collecting non-perishable items and gifts for Barnardos to benefit our local community.

As items are for gifting please ensure they are of suitable quality.

World Vision

This year The SRC would also like to support World Vision. They would like to purchase items for a third world community such as a cow, toilet or access to a teacher.

Cash donations can be given to Mr McNeill at the English staff room from 28th November until the end of term.



COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS



MUDGEETRIATHLON CLUB

Club Race 3: Sunday 4th December

Long Course – 8am

Little Devils – 9.15am

Big Devils – 9.30am

Short Course – 10am

Presentation 10.30am

For full details visit our website www.mudgeetriclub.hwy.com.au

THE CUDGEGONG CHRISTIAN CHURCHES PRESENT
TWILIGHT CAROLS – December 11, 2016 – Anglican Church Grounds, Mudgee
Beginning at 6.30pm
BBQ, Face Painting, Nativity dress up and more -
Join us in celebrating the reason for the season

23rd ANNUAL MUDGEES BASKETBALL DEBUTANTE BALL
*Registrations for Expressions of Interest are now being taken for
intending debutantes and their partners from Years 10, 11 & 12
Please ring or text Helen, on 0427 220 776 for enquiries or to register*

SPONSORSHIP

MUDGEES HIGH SCHOOL – LINK PROGRAM
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ORDER FORM – HATS

Mudgees High School encourages the wearing of hats at school. We are not a 'no hat, no play' school but we realise the importance of being sun safe. Mudgees High wants to promote the wearing of hats by our students as well as raise awareness about the importance of taking care of their skin.

In 2017 there will be a range of hats available for purchase. The hats are \$15 each.

Samples for sizing will be available at the Front Office.

If you would like to order a hat for 2017, please indicate the hat you wish to purchase. Payment can be made to the Front Office at Mudgees High.

Orders close 2nd December 2016.

Regards
Penny Smith
PDHPE teacher Mudgees High School

ORDER FORM – HATS

NAME: _____

VISOR



(ONE SIZE FITS ALL)

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(ONE SIZE FITS ALL)

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BROAD BRIM



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BUCKET HAT



(XS, S, M, L)

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