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MHS Newsletter

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Coming Events:

- Apr 4–8 Yr 12 Exams
- Apr 8 Last day of Term 1
- Apr 26 Staff Development Day
- April 27 Term 2 Commences

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

The annual general meeting of the our P&C was held the Monday evening before Easter. Elections for all executive positions were held. Congratulations to Mrs Susan Reinhard, who was returned as President. Congratulations too to Mrs Renae Hill, who was returned as the Secretary. A big executive "welcome aboard" to Mrs Lorraine Stewart, who was elected to the position of Treasurer. Congratulations also to Mrs Suzanne Donnelly, who was elected to the position of Vice President, and to Mr John Laidlaw, who was returned to the position of Vice President, Canteen. Finally, thanks to Mrs Judy Hickey, who has retired from the position of Treasurer after several years' service to the P&C and this school.

In other P&C news, the P&C executive has nominated Mrs Ronya Maynard as the P&C representative for the Head Teacher Mathematics merit selection panel. This is in addition to Mrs Renae Hill's representation of the P&C on the upcoming Head Teacher Teaching and Learning panel. While parent participation in merit selection is not obligatory, it is great that we have several parents willing to give their time to this important role.

Last week I spoke of the fast approaching Year 12 half-yearly examinations. They will commence this Friday with English.

Examinations are an opportunity for students to demonstrate both their knowledge of the courses they have studied and their ability to use that knowledge to address previously unseen questions; to think on their feet.

In the days leading up to the examinations, students should be revising the work they have undertaken since the beginning of Term 4 last year, when the HSC kicked-off for each of them. Where possible, they should seek to reduce their study notes to topics or units, and devote no more than a page to each. Revision should not be an exercise in wading through copious sheaves of paper. It should be a re-reading and refinement; a reduction in matter to the essentials, expressed using lexically dense language. Lexical density is a concept probably best explained with an example:

The clearing of tress in a particular area can lead to the loss of top soil by wind, water, or other natural agents.

Deforestation contributes to erosion.

In the examinations, students are tested on their content knowledge **and** their versatility in applying that knowledge to the questions and tasks come their way. Using revision time to reduce what are often complex ideas to lexically dense expressions **will** allow students to better address the demands made of them within the confines of the time allowed.

This type of revision should not be the exclusive domain of senior students. All students should attempt to do the same so that it becomes a habit. While it may be true that a great many of us are becoming a generation of *Googlers*, information retrievers rather than information retainers, the HSC, like a driving test, requires the individual have within his or her head a body of knowledge upon which he or she can draw to respond to the questions asked.

So to all students: Revise your stuff so that you know your stuff. Know your stuff and do well.

So, until next week...

Wayne Eade Principal

TERM 1 WEEK 9 AWARDS

P & C Awards: Yr 7: Lucinda Lillis, Yr 8: Grace Selboskar, Yr 9: Jorja Hudson, Yr 10: Dylan Hayes,

Yr 11: Liam Young, Yr 12: Tom Brown **SRR Award:** Mitchell Hastings, Yr 11

TUTORING TUESDAY

Every Tuesday, members of the English staff offer free assistance to our students. Any student can come and either get help with assignments or do homework. Students can stay for 5 minutes or for the full hour. This is a great opportunity for those who would like to improve their skills or who feel they are struggling with their work. Currently the group is made up of mainly seniors, but junior students are always welcome.

Year 12 Exams are approaching. All HSC students have been given an outline of the topics which will be in the English paper as well as some suggested study approaches. Advanced students have had two opportunities to view a filmed version of *Hamlet* in preparation. This week has been the turn of Standard students who have been able to rewatch the documentary *Frank Hurley: the Man Who Made History*. For students who were unable to attend, the film will be shown again on Wednesday 30th March, beginning at 2pm.

Students in Year 12 Standard English are encouraged to take the opportunity to go to Orange to see "The Shoe-horn Sonata" the play set for study for 'Distinctively Visual'. There is no substitute for seeing a play in performance and we have been lucky enough to obtain a booking for a bus-load of our students. The excursion will run on the 6th May. The cost is \$50 which covers both the travel and the ticket.

Flash Fiction: Do you like to write??

Youth Week 2016 will include a Flash Fiction competition. This is open to young people aged 12 to 21 who live in the Mid-Western Regional Council area. Flash Fiction is between 50 and 500 words, able to be written in less than an hour and taking only a minute to read. Students can enter up to five pieces of writing. Information about how to be successful in this style of writing is available from the English staff. Put your creativity to good use and enter before 3.30pm on Tuesday 5th April. More information is available at www.midwestern.nsw.gov.au/Community Services/Youth Services.html

MUDGEE HIGH SCHOOL TURNS 100!!

Mudgee High School 100 year Centenary Celebrations
Please join our Facebook page on Mudgee High School Centenary
Mudgee High School website http://mudgee-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/centenary - celebrations
School based celebrations for students will be Friday 14th October 2016 –
Details will be sent home via students, the school website and the school newsletter.

Public School based celebrations on Saturday 15th October 2016 – 10am – 2pm – Venue – Mudgee High School.

All welcome – further details will be advertised via the Mudgee High School Centenary Facebook (see link above), the Mudgee High School newsletter and website, Mudgee Guardian, Sydney Morning Herald and 2MG.

Public Celebration Dinner on Saturday night 15th October at 6.30pm – Venue – Mudgee Showground.

Ticket sales wil be released from June 2016. Further details to be advertised as above.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

MUDGEE GULGONG WOLVES SOCCER FINAL REGISTRATIONS

Online registration at www.myfootballclub.com.au, print out confirmation of rego and bring with cash, cheque or eftpos to Glen Willow Soccer fields Mudgee on Saturday 9th April between 10am & 1pm for finalisation of rego. Final rego day at Rylstone will be Thursday 7th April 4-5pm at Rylstone Showground. (No EFTPOS) 6379 1453 NEW- Mini Roos comp for 4 year olds this year! Sign up at

https://reg.sportingpulse.com/regoform.cgi?formID=54394&programID=3294

Competition will commence on the 30th of April.

MUDGEE DISTRICT NETBALL - 2016 REGISTRATION

Team nominations are now being accepted for the 2016 season and will CLOSE 31st March.

Online player registrations will open 1st April and close 29th April.

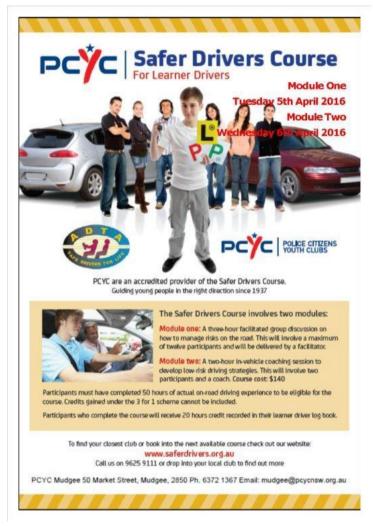
The first round for the season will be Saturday 30th April.

For individual player's looking for a team and for all enquiries please contact registrations@mudgeedistrictnetball.hwv.com.au

All forms and further details for the competition can be found on our website: www.mudgeena.nsw.netball.com.au







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MWRC YOUTH WEEK

Please see the following page for details of competitions and other activities during the week of 8 - 17 April. Entry forms for some of the events mentioned can be obtained from Mudgee High front office.



YOUR Youth Council





April 6-9 pm Mudgee Town Hall Theatre, Get teams happening! Free buses from GHS & KHS \$400 to the winning school or Community organisation

Art, Photography and Creative Writing exhibition of works at The Stables, Market St Mudgee

deliver works by Wed 6th April

Vote for your favourite piece; great prizes

Open: 10-2 pm Sat 9th. then 10-2 Mon 11th -Fri 15th April Youth Movie Night 5.30-9.30 Tuesday 12th April,

The Stables, Market Street Mudgee

1st movie 5.30pm Free Birds

2nd movie 7.30pm The Duff snacks for sale.

\$3 x 1 movie, \$5 x 2 movies







FREE 3D Drinting & 3D Design Workshop run by three FARM

Tuesday 12th April; Mudgee Town Hall Theatre Green Room 10am - 4pm Lunch and snacks provided Generously supported by MWR Youth Council Register for this workshop by dropping into Mudgee Library and filling in a rego form, email virginia.handmer@midwestern.nsw.gov.au or call 63575000

Youth Week

8-17 April 2016 Mural Derign Competition

Entry forms available at Council offices & libraries or email yirginia.handmer @midwestern.nsw.gov.au . hand deliver to a MWRC office in Gulgong, Mudgee or Rylstone. Don't forget ID! For more info call Ginny on 63575000



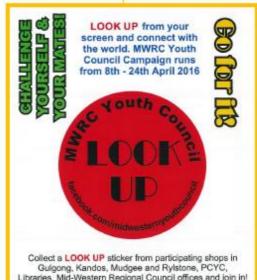
"My Community is Your Community"

Design a mural for Gulgong that captures the uniqueness, welcoming and friendly qualities of our town.

Mural locations could be Billy Dunn Park Grandstand or the internal walls Gulgong Swimming Pool.

Entries must be submitted by COB 1st April with any Council endorsed entry to be painted in Gulgong during the July school holidays!

For entry forms please go to facebook.com/midwesternyouthcouncil or your school office or local library or call Ginny on 63575000



Libraries, Mid-Western Regional Council offices and join in! You can share your experience with others on facebook.com/midwesternyouthcouncil





Bubble Soccer is coming to a park near you!

Mon 11th 10am- 12 noon Billy Dunn Park, Gulgong

Thurs; 14th 10am-12 noon, Victoria Park, Mudgee

Thurs 14th 3-5 pm Rylstone Showground

