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MHS Newsletter

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Coming Events:

- Mar 17 Yrs 8, 9 & 10
 Parent/Teacher night
 3.45pm 7.00pm
- Mar 18 Study Skills Day Yrs 10 & 11
- Mar 21 P&C AGM (a week early because of Easter) 7pm
- Mar 22 Vaccinations for ALL Yr 7 students and Yr 9 boys
- Mar 25 Public Holiday Good Friday
- Mar 28 Public Holiday Easter Mon
- Apr 8 Last day of Term 1
- Apr 26 Staff Development Day
- April 27 Term 2 Commences

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

It was a pleasure last week to induct the newest recruits to our Student Representative Council, as well as welcome back those returned by their peers for their respective second, third, fourth or even fifth incarnations.

Leadership is something sometimes sought and sometimes thrust upon us. The willingness of so many of our students at Mudgee High to put their hands in the air and step forward – to seek out leadership opportunities and take on what can at times be the thankless task of leadership – augurs well for the future of this community and indeed wider Australia. So to our SRC representatives, our Leadership Team representatives, our House Captains and sporting team captains, thank you for being prepared to do things *non tibi sed scholae*.

Speaking of stepping forward and taking on additional responsibilities, it's worth noting that many residential colleges – and given that there is no University of Mudgee, many of the students who graduate from here and head off to university will experience residential college – are looking for students who will contribute to the life of that college. Students who have involved themselves in extra-curricula activities – sports, charity fund-raising, theatre, volunteer work, etc. – are the kinds of students residential colleges actively seek to join their ranks. Volunteer work should at its heart come with at least a modicum of altruism, but there is much personal gain to be had too.

Two weekends ago I attended the Rylstone show. So what? Well, I travelled to Rylstone the long way around. After driving to Lithgow and in company with my wife, I boarded the *Rylstone Rambler*, the first passenger train north of Kandos in more than ten years. Again, so what? The "so what " in all of this is that the *Rylstone Rambler* and indeed the Rylstone show, like our own Mudgee show, would not have been possible without the input of so very many volunteers toiling away in the background. The train itself, made up of two cars dating respectively from 1949 and 1961, was restored to working order by the volunteers at the Lithgow State Mine Railway. It is truly a credit to all who have been involved. And the pleasure it brought to the one hundred passengers who came up from Lithgow, as well as the locals who caught a shuttle between Rylstone and Kandos, while difficult to quantify was certainly palpable.

Volunteers, whether they be CWA, RFS, SES, umpiring at the cricket, refereeing at the soccer, operating the local Men's Shed, serving coffee to weary travellers at holiday times or making a positive difference in a myriad different ways deserve our praise.

And our kids who are willing to volunteer their own time to make a positive difference in our community are the proud custodians of this tradition and are also deserving of our praise.

Until next week...

Wayne Eade Principal

TERM 1 WEEK 6 AWARDS

P & C Awards: Yr 7: Lewis Roth, Yr 8: Jordan Fraser, Yr 9: Piper Walster-Sievers, Yr 10: Mikaela Barnes, Yr 11: James Gibbons, Yr 12: Lang Ralston

SRR Award: Courtney Hyatt Year 12

LIBRARY NEWS

The library is a busy place in 2016, with lots of students borrowing books. Unfortunately we also have lots of overdue loans, some dating back over 12 months. Students need to be aware that a book or library resource can be borrowed for two weeks. If they have not finished reading the book, students can renew a loan twice. If a student has an outstanding loan, their rights to borrow will be suspended until the items are returned and a fine may be imposed. In the event that an item is lost, the student will be invoiced for the full price of the item. Below is the allowed number of items that can be borrowed by each year group.

Year	Borrower Limits
7	3
8	4
9	5
10	5
11	10
12	10

On another note, the Library is open and supervised for students to complete school work until 4.30pm on a Tuesday and from 8.05am on a Friday.

FROM THE OFFICE

When sending notes to the school regarding absences, etc., please make sure the students' surname is included as well as the dates relating to the absense. Thank you



BUSINESS STUDIES EXCURSION

On the 23rd February, Year 12 Business Studies attended an excursion to Lowes Wines. The class has studied business operations and is currently studying business marketing. The visit was aimed at giving them real experiences in a local business case study.

It was a great time to visit as harvesting at the Tinja Lane vineyard had started and the class had the opportunity to follow the operations process from crushing to fermentation. The students visited the laboratory, the crusher and a range of storage barrels and casks as well as the stainless steel tanks.

David Lowe gave a wonderful presentation of the operations and marketing at Lowes Wines and showed the students the full range of available wines as well as the marketing strategies that the business uses to compete in the quality wine market. He explained the pricing of the various wines, the distribution methods and the various promotional strategies that had proved successful for the business.

The class also visited the Zin House and were shown around the herb garden by the owner Kim Currie. Mr Browning and Year 12 Business Studies would like to publically thank David Lowe for his enthusiastic and motivational presentation and for his ongoing support of Mudgee High School.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.hwy.com.au

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



Mudgee Baptist Church 153 Bruce Road

Saturday 12 March: 8am - 12noon

HUGE collection of books, clothing, shoes, household goods, toys, bric-a-brac & more. Bacon/egg rolls, sausage sandwiches, drinks, tea/coffee, cakes.

Kids activities.

All proceeds go to mission projects here and overseas.





There will be......

Children's Workshops

For 3 – 12 yrs (separate program for Pre-schoolers)

Chess, Board Games and Lego

A chance to use your skills and enjoy a game with a new opponent.

Hands on Science - We will be doing a range of experiments using everyday materials.

Creativity - A range of activities to suit those who love to create, are artistic and have a great imagination. Create your own stories through drawing, writing or crafts.

Each child will select their workshops on the day.

Parent Seminar

Presented by Denise Wood & Helen Dudeney

Understanding Gifted Children – Their social, emotional and educational needs..

Developing potential requires a balanced mix of home, community and school experiences along with an understanding of the unique emotional characteristics of giftedness. The morning session will be a presentation and the afternoon session will provide opportunities for questions and discussion.

The whole family is welcome

Tea and coffee available all day, afternoon tea provided – please bring your own mug. Families bring their own picnic lunch to enjoy in the grounds. Café next door with great coffee and sandwiches etc

Cost: \$40 for family 1 or 2 adults and 1 child.

\$60 for family with more than 1 child

This is a program for families to attend together – it is not a drop off program for the children.

For more information contact the Events Co-ordinator at enquiries@australiangiftedsupport.com
To book visit http://mudgee-family-day-march-2016.eventbrite.com.au

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