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MHS Newsletter

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Coming Events:

- June 27 P&C **Meeting in Library** 7pm
- July 1 Last day of Term 2
- July 18 Staff **Development Day**
- July 19 All students return to school
- Jul 21 Yr 10 to 11 **Parent Information** evening
- July 28 Parent **Teacher evening Yrs** 7, 11 & 12
- Aug 4 Year 10 to 11 Subject Market
- Sep 1 Parent **Teacher evening Yrs** 8,9 & 10

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Principal

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Welcome to the penultimate week of Term Two!

Our Year 12 students have just sixty school days left and fewer than that if you take out the period of Trial Examinations. Those final school examinations in August carry for the most part considerable assessment weight. Unfortunately, and it is the same year in and year out, the HSC often coincides with learning to drive and/or obtaining a driver's licence, an almost preternatural interest in the opposite sex, a succession of 18th birthday parties; a profusion of distractions. The challenge for HSC students, not to mention their parents and teachers, is to find balance in this cornucopia.

Study should be a balance of revision and practice. With reference to that first point, it is important that the notes of not just this week but of all the weeks a subject has been studied are regularly revised. Smart too to reduce notes to manageable revision tools in the lead up to both the Trial and HSC examinations. Two to three A4 pages of notes per subject as a rule is more than enough... once you know your stuff. With regard to practice, it is also worth noting that the HSC examinations are very much of the last century. They are completed using pens and paper. Practising past paper questions and having responses checked is an excellent way to prepare for both the Trial and HSC examinations. Writing those responses using blue or black pen on paper and within the same period of time as allowed in the examinations is an excellent way in which to prepare.

An axiom from my reserve infantry days that has stayed with me: Train hard, fight easy.

It's as applicable to the HSC as it is to the military as it is to most anything we attempt in life. The more familiar we are with a practice, the easier it is to repeat and indeed improve when it matters most.

Sixty days. Make them count.

Be aware that there is a P&C meeting next Monday in the West Wing of the library, beginning at 7pm. Our P&C meetings offer both an opportunity to find out a little more about what is happening at Mudgee High, as well as providing a forum to raise and discuss issues related to the secondary schooling of your children. I would encourage as many of you as possible to attend. It would be great to have to move into the main part of the library should the West Wing prove too small.

At the risk of courting controversy, I saw a thought-provoking and yet blindingly obvious post on the weekend related to the terrible story that came out of Orlando Florida this past week. It relates quite naturally to gun ownership, gun crime and gun control in the US.

If you saw a child in a playground hitting other children with a stick, would you:

- a. take away the stick, or
- b. give every child a stick?

Until next week...

Wayne Eade

TERM 2 WEEK 8 AWARDS

P & C Awards: Yr 7 – Meggan Notson, Yr 8 – Samantha Nemeth, Yr 9 – Meg Pollard, Yr 10 – Jessika Weatherall, Yr 11 – Ruby Burrows, Yr 12 – Shawnlee Featherbe

SRR Award: Dylan Hayes - Yr 10

JUNIOR GIRLS SOCCER TEAM ARE WESTERN AREA CHAMPIONS!!!!

Mudgee High School's Junior Girls Soccer team have been crowned Western Area Champions in the Bill Turner Trophy Competition. This is a knockout competition for girls and includes state, Independent and Catholic schools from across NSW, Victoria and Queensland.

The team is now in the last 16 of the NSW Division and will now playoff against an as yet unknown South Coast opponent. To reach the Western Area Final, the girls defeated Lithgow, Kelso and Canowindra High Schools. On Tuesday 14th June, the team played Red Bend College, Forbes in the Area Final. The game was hard fought and both teams played with great skill and determination. Mudgee High scored in the opening five minutes with a goal to Molly Forrest. For much of the rest of the first half Red Bend College pressured Mudgee High's backline which held firm until the final two minutes of the half when Red Bend scored an equaliser.

The unseasonably warm weather meant both teams were looking forward to the half time break.

The second half saw both teams dominate in periods but the deadlock could not be broken and it seemed extra time was imminent. But with four minutes of normal time remaining, Molly Forrest made a fast break and managed to put another goal into the net. This bought great relief to the strong crowd of Mudgee supporters; students, parents and Mudgee Wolves members.

Mudgee High was not done yet and finished the game in emphatic fashion when Molly Forrest netted her third goal in injury time. At fulltime it was 3-1 to Mudgee.

The team did Mudgee High proud, playing with great skill, controlled aggression and determination. The game was played by both teams in great spirit and they are congratulated on their efforts.

Mudgee High was well supported by the students who attended. The school would like to thank Mr Shane McDermott and Jason Payne from the Mudgee Wolves who assisted with coaching, as well as the Mudgee Wolves Committee for setting up the ground.

Thanks also to the parents who have been so wholesome in their support as well as Miss McCann who started the journey with this team as coach. The team is: Tara Sandry, Claire Finter, Stephanie Bartlett, Molly Forrest, Grace Pearce, Lilly Smith, Grace Woodgate, Maggie Newton, Rachel Bennett, Ebony Roach, Kylie Campbell, Ruby Forrest, Abby Lynch, Charli Hayes, Alice Roach.

Congratulations Girls!!!!!







Bawamarra (Relate news, Communicate)



NAIDOC Celebrations

Mudgee High School will be celebrating NAIDOC on Wednesday 29th June (week 10). The event will begin at 11:30am in the MHS gym with a whole school assembly. A Welcome to Country will be conducted, followed by the raising of the Aboriginal flag. A short presentation will be conducted to explain this year's theme for NAIDOC - "Songlines." Following the assembly, during periods 5 and 6, those students who have nominated to be involved will participate in an art workshop, where they will be working on a large banner to reflect this year's NAIDOC theme. At lunch time, 1:34pm, the whole school is invited to share in a BBQ lunch with crocodile, emu and kangaroo sausages.

This is a wonderful opportunity for the school to invite parents and community to share in the events here at our school. If any parents or carers would like to attend the assembly, the art workshop, or the lunch, please sign in at the front office as a visitor to the school upon your arrival. You are most welcome to join in with the events.

If you have any questions about this event, please contact Claire Windeyer on the school's number: 6372 1533



MUDGEE HIGH SCHOOL TURNS 100!!

Mudgee High School 100 year Centenary Celebrations Please join our Facebook page on Mudgee High School Centenary 2016 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 will be released from June 2016. Further details to be advertised as above.



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Cudgegong Learning Community

2016 Gala Concert Wednesday 3rd August Mudgee High School Gym

> <u>Tickets</u> Matinee 12 noon All tickets \$5.00

Evening 6.00pm Adults \$10.00 Child/Pensioners \$5.00 Tickets available at the door

Stories of Recovery FROM THE BUSH

The Benevolent Society and Western Sydney University invite you to a photographic and narrative exhibition celebrating the lives of people living with complex mental illness. The exhibition explores what works in the service system and community to effectively support people.

A full research report will also be available at the event.

The exhibition will be opened by **Deputy Mental Health Commissioner Bradley Foxlewin** with Special Guest Speaker **Dr Catherine Camden Pratt**, Snr Lecturer Master of Art Therapy, Western Sydney University. Followed by entertainment and speeches from people with a lived experience of Mental Illness in rural and regional NSW.

Thursday 23 June 11am

Fairview ArtSpace - 6 Henry Lawson Drive Mudgee NSW 2850 Phone: 02 63722850

Exhibition open until 11 July 2016 (Thurs to Mon 10-5pm; Weekends 8-5pm)





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