

MHS Newsletter

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Term 4, Week 6

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

The display of Major Works from Industrial Technology Multimedia, Industrial Technology Timber, Society and Culture, Textiles and Visual Arts was another success this year with a great many people through the doors over the four days it was open.

Every year the works on display demonstrate clearly the wealth of talent possessed by the youth of Mudgee, as well as reflect the excellent guidance provided by the experienced teaching staff who have worked so closely with the kids to produce the work on show. It would be remiss of me not to acknowledge the work of teaching staff and students in bringing the show together, the support of the P&C in paying for the hire of the gallery, and a very big thank you too to the Year 11 Hospitality class that catered the event's opening on Monday evening.

Well done our captains 2018 – Adam O'Connell, Olive Loughnan and Tom Loughnan – who looked very smart in their blazers and ties at the RSL's Remembrance Day service in Robertson Park on Saturday 11/11. They represented well their school and community.



Money is often a contributing factor in a relationship failure. So, at some small risk, I'm going to talk money in my newsletter spiel this week and trust that the relationship the school has with its parent and carer partners will still be strong afterwards.

Specifically, I want to talk about fees and contributions.

Each year, Mudgee High levies a voluntary contribution as well as fees for courses that sit outside "the minimum requirements of the curriculum" as per section 1.4 of the DoE's policy titled *Voluntary School Contribution*.

The voluntary contribution we seek assists us in the daily operation of the school. It is considerably less than that sought by a great many other comprehensive secondary schools and, although not compulsory, it is very much appreciated.

The fees charged for courses that students elect to do, beginning in Year 8, are made clear in our fees schedule which is part of the subject selection guides. The schedule has been ratified by the school's P&C. The contribution and levies scheduled have not been increased for several years.

No fees are charged in Year 7. Sure, there is a request for the voluntary contribution (see above), but that is all. Students will use materials in courses like Tech. Mandatory cooking and sewing and woodwork... but Tech. Mandatory is, as its name makes clear, a mandatory course that all students are obliged to undertake. As such, it sits well within the "minimum requirements".

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Community**

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FOR THE COMPLETE
CALENDAR OF EVENTS



COMING EVENTS

- Nov 17 - Yr 12 Formal at Parklands, 6pm to 8pm
- Nov 29 - Yr 7 2018 Orientation Day
- Nov 29 - Yr 7 2018 Parent Information Night, 6pm - School Tour, 6.30pm - Meeting in the Performance Centre

THIS ISSUE

- Principal's Message
- P & C Awards
- SRR Award
- Creative Arts News
- SRC World Vision Christmas Appeal
- Yr 10 Love Bites Parent Information

So, when a course is an elective, it sits outside of the “the minimum requirements of the curriculum”. Not all electives attract a fee; only those where students will use things like eggs and milk, wood and steel, to produce items they will take home when complete.

Additionally, senior students (Years 11 and 12) who have completed their final year of compulsory schooling (minimum requirements again) and elected to undertake HSC studies, are required to pay a senior textbook deposit that is fully refunded when those texts are returned at the conclusion of their study. Some students in the senior school elect to undertake study of one courses or another not offered at MHS but available through Distance Education Dubbo or another provider. These courses too come with costs – usually around \$200 for the year to cover the postage of materials. Naturally, in a system that is a public institution made available to anyone who can demonstrate Australian citizenship or residency covered by an appropriate visa classification, there is some provision for parents and carers who find it difficult to pay for elective subjects because of financial hardship. In some instances, the school may be in a position to offer financial assistance. All a parent or carer in such a situation need do is ask.

With regard to the payment of fees and voluntary contributions, the best place to look is the Department of Education I have provided the DoE's policy precis as well as the link to the full policy:

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/policy-library/policies/voluntary-school-contribution>

TERM 4 WEEK 5 AWARDS

P & C AWARDS:

Lorinda McEwen - Yr 7, Nicholas Caughey - Yr 8, Alexandra Fothergill - Yr 9, Jullianne Hjellup - Yr 11

SRR AWARD: Maree Loane

CREATIVE ARTS

As always, the Creative Arts Department has been busy with the end of year productions. This week just passed, the HSC Exhibition ran at the Stables Gallery. Exhibition pieces came from Visual Art, Textiles, Wood Technology, Multi-Media and the Society and Culture PIPS (see pictures below). School Principal, Mr Wayne Eade, opened the event on Monday night to a large gathering of family and friends of the Year 12 students involved, as well as members of the wider community. The standard of work produced by the students was again high, demonstrating well the commitment they made to their studies in 2017. Thanks must go to Mr Jason Nicholls and his band of Hospitality students who, on Opening night, helped to create a welcoming and relaxed atmosphere with their delectable morsels.

Later this term the annual MAD concert will go ahead. This event is always a “must do” on the end of year calendar, as students exhibit their talents across the disciplines of Music, Drama and the Visual Art. It is always a very nervous time for students as they put themselves into the uncomfortable position of performing in front of family, friends and the extended school community. However, it must be said, that the depth of talent at MHS is always at its best in this forum.

MAD CONCERT: Date: 5th December

Time: 7pm

Cost: \$5 entry

SRC WORLD VISION CHRISTMAS APPEAL

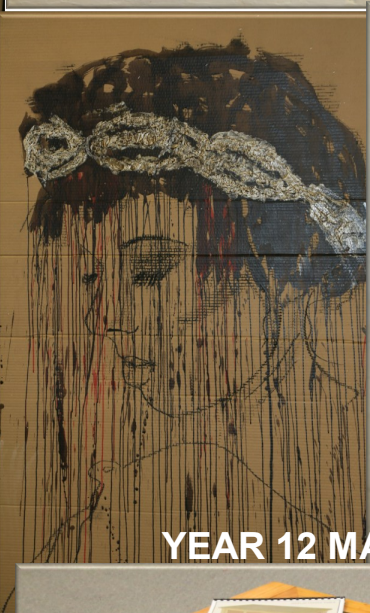
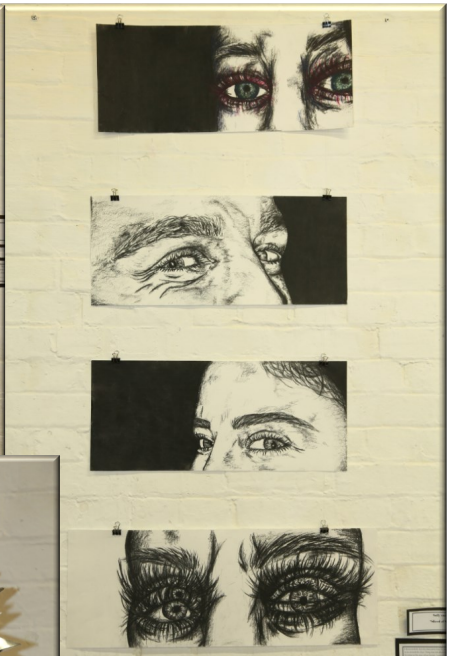
This year the SRC is running a lolly jar guessing competition to raise money for the World Vision Christmas Appeal. The SRC hopes to raise enough money to buy a traineeship for a teacher or to buy items such as clean drinking water. This is a fantastic opportunity to give back to our world community.

For our local community, the SRC will also be contributing to the Christmas gifting program through Barnardos. Each roll call group will be given a gift bag to fill, which will then be placed under the Christmas Tree in the Library. At the end of term, these will be taken to Barnardos for distribution.

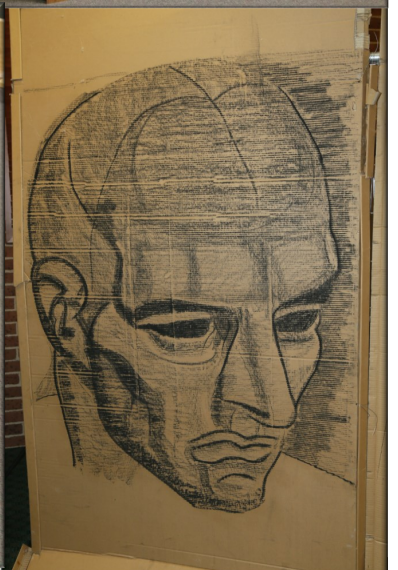
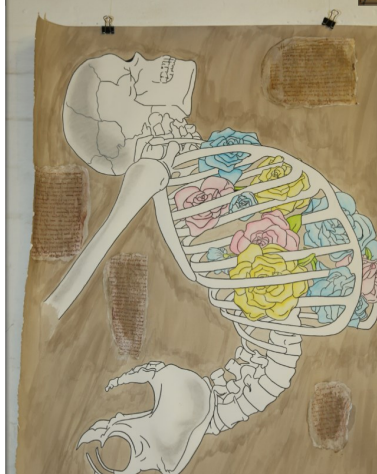
**World Vision Christmas Appeal
SRC Lolly Guessing
Competition
50c a guess or 3 for \$1**



If you would like to contribute any non-perishable food items or gifts, please send them to school with your child or drop them to the office for collection.



YEAR 12 MAJOR WORKS





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Year 10 'LOVE BITES' Parent Information

The Love Bites sexual assault and domestic violence prevention program will run for Year 10 in conjunction with the PD/H/PE core subject. Outlined below is some information on the program. If you have any further questions about the program, please contact Karen Quinn at Mudgee High School on 6372 1533.

What is Love Bites?

- Love Bites is an extremely successful, school based sexual assault, domestic and family violence prevention program that evolved on the Mid Coast of NSW
- Over 10,000 high school students throughout NSW have participated in this interactive and innovative program aimed at Year 10 students

The Love Bites Program consists of two interactive workshops on sexual assault and family/domestic violence and then workshops that consolidate the information from the morning workshops by working alongside the students to produce artworks that will then be printed on posters and resources for the students and community.

The artworks, music and radio advertisements from all students are used to develop a local campaign to challenge violence against women in the community. This campaign is led and delivered by young people.

The Love Bites program presents a consistent approach to the issues of violence against women and children that is firmly focused on factual statistical information that consistently confirm that sexual assault and domestic violence are gender issues as women are overwhelmingly the victims of men's violence and that men are overwhelmingly the perpetrators of this violence. Love Bites advocates that young people can change these statistics and can make different choices, resolve issues in non-violent ways and can develop respectful relationships.

The program will involve all of Year 10 who will be placed into three groups. Each group will then participate in a one day workshop that will take place over three days in Week 7, Term 4.

Group 1: Monday 20th November

Group 2: Tuesday 21st November

Group 3: Wednesday 22nd November

Students will need to bring their own morning tea but lunch will be provided. If your student has any special dietary requirements or questions, please see Mrs Quinn by Wednesday 8th November.

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Please return this note ONLY if you do not wish your student to participate in this program. If this is the case your student will need to return this note by WEDNESDAY 8th November 2017.

I _____ (Parent/Guardian) **do not** wish my student

_____ (Student) to participate in the Love Bites program.

I understand that my student will still be required to attend school and follow the directions of teachers on this day regarding alternative arrangements.

_____ (Parent/Guardian Signature)

REMEMBRANCE DAY 2017

With Remembrance Day 2017 falling on a Saturday, students and staff at Mudgee High School commemorated the occasion on Wednesday 8th. The school community was honoured to host Mr David Lester.

Mr Lester, who was a student of Mudgee High School between 1941 and 1944, is a first generation descendant of Mr Bruce Lester who served with the Australian Light Horse 4th Regiment in the Sinai Desert during World War I. It was the Anzac Mounted Division's 4th and 12th Light Horse Regiments that conducted a mounted infantry charge at Beersheba on 31st October, 1917. The Light Horsemen's only weapons for the mounted attack were their bayonets, as their rifles were slung across their backs. One part of the two regiments dismounted to attack the positions on Tel es Saba defending Beersheba. The remainder of the Light Horsemen continued their charge into the town, capturing it and a sizeable part of the garrison as it attempted to withdraw.

Mr Lester and his daughter, Robbie Holdaway, recently returned from Beersheba, which is now part of Israel, after participating in the centenary commemorations of the charge that included a re-enactment of the event.

At Mudgee High School's Remembrance Day ceremony, Mr Lester explained the significance of the battle to students, and the importance of our country's ties with Israel. He also made it known that at the commemoration there were four former students of Mudgee High who had direct familial links to the men of the Light Horse who had captured Beersheba.

Mr Lester's presence at the ceremony was greatly appreciated by the students and reinforced the importance of commemorating the both the duty and sacrifice of others in times of war.



Above: Mr David Lester with Mudgee High School Captains and Vice Captains (L-R)

Olive Loughnan, Lowanna Paulsen, Thomas Loughnan and Adam O'Connell

VOTE & WIN!

PETRIES MITRE 10 SCHOOL TRADE AWARDS 2017

Mudgee High & St Matthews

Year 12 Students will be displaying their work instore
Monday 13th November – Wednesday 22nd November

**YOUR CHANCE TO WIN
A \$50 MITRE 10
GIFT VOUCHER**

**Vote for your
favourite piece to
go in the draw!**

Douglas Bennett
Angus Buckley
Samuel Brennan
Chloe Hopson
Jesse Kimber
Isaac Mackay

Timothy Newton
Tobias Stewart
Thomas Tremain
Ryan Tyrrell
Nick Moog



**AWARDS NIGHT WILL BE HELD AT PETRIES MITRE 10
WEDNESDAY 22 NOVEMBER 2017 FROM 6 – 7PM**

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THE HUNTINGTON ESTATE COMMUNITY CONCERT

SUNDAY 26TH NOVEMBER 2017
9.30AM TO 10.30AM
AT HUNTINGTON ESTATE WINERY, ULAN RD, MUDGE

Join Festival Musicians at Huntington Estate for a fun and interactive performance designed for the under 10s.

Andrew and Eloise Meisel will play some beautiful music, and talk to the children about their instruments. There will be the chance to ask questions and see, hear and touch the instruments up close. Children will also have the opportunity to tour the ABC Broadcast Van and the Concert Hall where they will sit in on a rehearsal.

Light refreshments will be provided.

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The Mudgee Miniature Railway

Invite you to enjoy:

a train ride in a 95 Year Old Vintage Rail Motor

Saturday 18th November 2017
Depart from Gulgong at 4.30pm & travel to Dunedoo for a 3 course meal and a 'murder mystery show'.
Fare \$80 per person - inc. meal & entertainment.

Sunday 19th November
Depart Gulgong at 9.30am, travelling to Dunedoo & return. Fare \$20 per person
Depart Gulgong at 11.45am, travelling to Ulan & return. Fare \$15 per person

For details and to book tickets:
Peter King
0458 555 929
Email: kingpeter2850@gmail.com



All acoustic guitar players are invited to enter the

GULGONG FOLK FESTIVAL 2017

GUITAR COMPETITION

Saturday 30 December at 3.30pm

Entry fee \$10.00

The winner of this acoustic competition will receive a fine Cole Clark guitar

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more details at www.gulgongfolkfestival.net.au and on facebook



GULGONG FOLK FESTIVAL

29 - 31 December 2017

Traditional and contemporary folk - blues - celtic - roots
New Year's Eve Bush Dance

The Bushwackers Bush Band

Gleny Ray Virus

Whiskey Dram

Henk Groot

Stringline

and many more great acts

- Guitar Competition - a **Cole Clark** guitar will be won!
- John Dengate Political Parody Songwriting Competition

blackboard concerts sessions workshops poets' breakfasts

Gulgong is a friendly little town with links to history through Henry Lawson, gold mining & more.

Season tickets available at TryBooking.com until 8 December

Get your season ticket!

www.gulgongfolkfestival.net.au

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Mudgee Triathlon Club

Club Race 2 & Interclub Sunday 19th November

Little Devils - 8.00am

Big Devils - 8.15am

Short Course/Enticer - 8.45am

Long Course - 9.25am

***Note: Change in race times
due to Interclub***

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



TOWN HALL CINEMA

*** SHOWING December 1st, 2nd & 3rd 2017 ***

Tickets available online from Monday 20th November

Buy The Mountain Between Us Tickets @
<https://www.trybooking.com/STTG>



Buy Thor: Ragnarok Tickets @
<https://www.trybooking.com/STUG>



SESSION TIMES

The Mountain Between us	Friday Dec 1 st	7.00pm
	Saturday Dec 2 nd	5.00pm
	Saturday Dec 2 nd	7.30pm
	Sunday Dec 3 rd	5.00pm
Thor: Ragnarok	Saturday Dec 2 nd	11.00am
	Saturday Dec 2 nd	2.00pm
	Sunday Dec 3 rd	11.00am
	Sunday Dec 3 rd	2.00pm

TICKET PRICES

Adults:	\$15.00
Children/Concession:	\$10.00
(Seniors Card not accepted)	
Children under 5 years:	Free

Tickets available online from
Monday 20th November 2017
or at the door (if not sold out prior).
For more information, visit
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