

MHS Newsletter

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Term 4, Week 10

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

MADness

If you managed to get to the MAD (Music Art Drama) concert last week, well done you!

I have been to quite a few MAD concerts in my time at Mudgee High. Last Tuesday night's was easily one of the best. Almost two and a half hours of young people – and not so young people – shining on stage.

The accompanying photographs show some of the acts on stage, but do not do justice to the practice and polish that was on show.

Presentation Evening

Tomorrow evening, Tuesday 12/12, is Presentation Evening. It is an evening when we celebrate the best academic, cultural and sporting achievements of the year.

Presentation Evening will be held in the school gymnasium. Entry is via Denison Street and the event begins at 7pm.

The staff of Mudgee High looks forward to your attendance.

Reports

Student reports for Years 7, 8, 9 and 10 will be delivered at cohort presentation assemblies on Thursday 14th of December.

Students who have earned Gold and Silver recognition for their continuing safe, respectful and responsible approach to their schooling will also be acknowledged. While it is understood that a great many of our parents and carers have work commitments, if you do have the time please come along. These assemblies provide a great opportunity to celebrate the achievement of your children.

Year 7's presentation assembly will be at 11.30 (Period 4).

Year 8's presentation assembly will be at 12.50 (Period 6).

Year 9's presentation assembly will be at 09.55 (Period 2).

Year 10's presentation assembly will be at 14.10 (Period 7).

Thank you to the ten parents who made it to the communication and engagement evening last week.

Your feedback, in conjunction with the cold calls that made to the wider community by the company contracted by the DoE's Communication and Engagement officers, will form the basis of a report that will be made available to the school at the end of January. The report will highlight the school's communication strengths as well as point us in the direction of opportunities that have the potential to strengthen the ways in which we communicate with our parent partners and the wider community.

Finally.

All the best for Christmas and the New Year. Have a great summer break with your kids. For Years 7, 11 and 12, school resumes on Tuesday 30/1. For Years 8-10, school resumes on Wednesday 31/1.

Until next year...

Wayne Eade
Principal

*A Member of the
Cudgegong Learning
Community*

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FOR THE COMPLETE
CALENDAR OF EVENTS

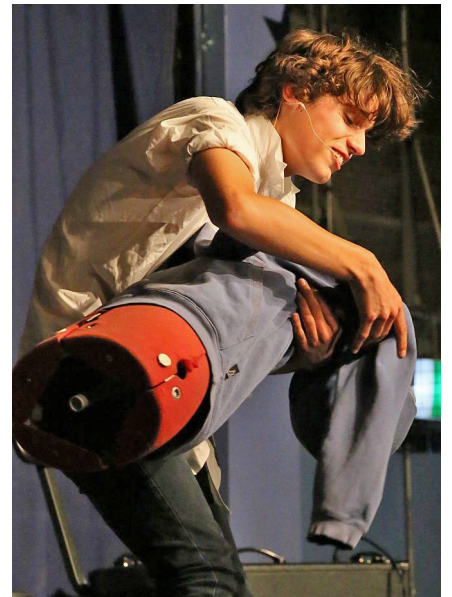


COMING EVENTS

- Dec 12 - Presentation Evening 7pm in the Gymnasium
- Dec 13-15 - Yr 11 Camp
- Dec 14 - Yrs 7-10 Report, Gold & Silver Award Assembly
- Dec 15 - last day of Term 4
- Jan 30 2018 - Yrs 7, 11 & 12 return to school
- Jan 31 2018 - Yrs 8, 9 & 10 return to school

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KARATE KID II

7B's William Drakeford, who was mentioned in last week's newsletter as about to head off to compete in karate at the 2017 National All Styles Australian Championships at Olympic Park Sydney, has come home a winner.

William's main event for the NAS National Titles was continuous sparring. He had a convincing win with all three judges awarding him 1st in the first round. This win qualified him to contest the final, which he again won convincingly.

William now holds the title of 2017 Australian Champion 12 to 14 year old boys 10th to 6th Kyu continuous sparring.

The next success for William came in the NSW State Team for point sparring 2017 National Championship: State vs State. NSW beat Victoria 5 nil to go into the final against Queensland. At a two all draw, NSW and Queensland had the last contest, which was declared five-all at final time.

The competition then went into extra time.

The first contestant to score in extra time would win the title and, unfortunately for William's team, that point went to Queensland. William and his team earned the 2nd Place medal for State vs State Team Point Sparring 2017, Junior Male 12-14 years.

It would be fair to say that William's parents are proud of his success, as are his coaches, Geoff and Jacquie Spice, and of course his teachers and friends here at Mudgee High School.

Not too shabby an outcome at all for a young bloke in Year 7 contesting his first Australian Championships in what is a very demanding sport.



TERM 4 WEEK 9 AWARDS

P & C AWARDS:

Caleb Begg - Yr 7, Brandon Conley - Yr 8, Ethan Robertson - Yr 9, Ethan Hamilton - Yr 10, Lowanna Paulson - Yr 11

SRR AWARD: Elizabeth Young - Yr 8

Mudgee High School Giving Tree

Take a moment to think about how it feels to wake up Christmas morning.

Excitement and expectation brimming for the gifts to be given and received; of bountiful breakfasts and lazy lunches and delectable dinners, mixed with laughter and good cheer and the noise of ripping paper, accompanied by gasps of surprise and delight.

Now, take a moment to think about how it would feel to wake up on Christmas morning with no feelings of expectation or sounds of joy. Maybe, without even the prospect of a decent meal to get you through the day.

Are you aware that each year the Mudgee High School SRC encourages students and the wider school community to think of those among us less fortunate than ourselves and to donate a small non-perishable item to place under the Mudgee High School's Giving tree? All gifts are given to Barnardos for distribution at the end of the school year in a hope to help share the message and happiness of Christmas a little further in our community.

All you need to do to contribute is to drop in to the front office with your small gift, or send it in with you child for collection in roll call. As stated above, all donations are passed on to Barnardos for appropriate distribution.

Thank you.





Aboriginal Education **WUDHAGARAGARRA AWARDS**

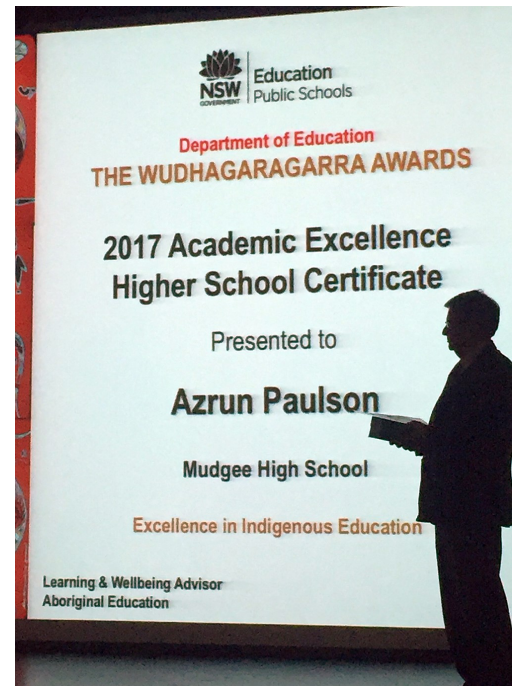


The Wudhagaragarra Awards celebrate and recognise innovation, excellence and achievement in Aboriginal education in New South Wales' public schools and communities. Awards are presented to selected high-achieving Aboriginal students, Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal teachers, staff, community members, and schools.

This year from Mudgee High School, Azrun Paulson was nominated for the *Academic Excellence Award - Higher School Certificate*. This award is presented to Aboriginal students who have demonstrated outstanding academic achievement in any HSC subject undertaken in 2017 and who display a positive attitude to school and ongoing education.

Azrun was nominated for the outstanding work she put into her Personal Interest Project for Society and Culture. Her commitment to the research process and the academic rigour with which she in-

vested into her work was exemplary. This major work was completed over three school terms and required students to work in a self-directed manner, with personal drive and ambition. It is not an easy task and certainly cannot be thrown together at the last minute. Azrun rose to the challenge from the very beginning and did not waiver from her path. She was committed to creating a body of work of which she can be very proud.



Azrun attended the award ceremony on Thursday 7th December in Dubbo. She was accompanied by her father, Mr Brett Paulson and her Society & Culture teacher, Miss Windeyer.

Azrun is congratulated for her excellent work and outstanding achievement. She has brought glory to herself and to the school.

End of Year Presentation and Year Assemblies 2017
Information for Parents

Last year, Mudgee High School introduced some changes to our presentation assemblies. Our aim was to make the evening event shorter, for everyone's benefit. We were very aware that Year 7 parents have patiently borne the hardest part, waiting for more than an hour before their children's turn arrives.

This notice is just to remind parents which awards have been moved to the year assemblies, which will take place on Thursday 14 December. Awards such as ***sporting age champions, SRC, Peer Support and attendance*** will be presented at these assemblies, along with ***Gold awards*** and students' ***reports***. Year advisers will give a short address here when all or most of the year is present, rather than at the Presentation evening.

The Year Presentation Assemblies will therefore become more substantial. Parents may wish to divide their attendance between the two ceremonies – one parent to each. Of course, parents are welcome to come to as many presentations as they wish!

Year assemblies will run as follows on **Thursday 14 December:**

Period 2 Year 9
(9:55-10:32)

Period 4 Year 7
(11:31- 12:08)

Period 6 Year 8
(12:57-1:34)

Period 7 Year 10
(2:08-2:46)

Presentation Evening will be on Tuesday 12 December at 7pm.

Watch our Facebook page for changes:

<https://m.facebook.com/mudgeehighschool/?refid=17>

Clarissa Mort
FORMAL ASSEMBLY CO-ORDINATOR



WOMEN IN ENGINEERING DAY

Female students in year 9 or 10 in 2018 who are interested in engineering, science and mathematics, are encouraged to register now to be part of this exciting event.

By joining us at this event students will;

- find out what engineering is and what engineers do
- learn about different career pathways and opportunities
- meet female engineers working in the industry, and
- meet our current engineering students who will give insight into their studies and how/why they chose to study engineering.

Design, create, and build during interactive, hands-on workshops.

WHEN

Wednesday 24 January 2018
9.00am - 4.00pm

WHERE

Price Theatre
23 Wally's Walk, Macquarie University, NSW 2109

COST

Free.
Morning tea and lunch will be provided.

RSVP

Wednesday 10 January 2018

Any questions? Contact Future Students for more details about this event:

E: futurestudents@mq.edu.au

Stop Motion Workshop for Youth

A free two day claymation workshop

Interested in film or creating your own mini-clips?

Over two days an expert from Digi Ed will show you how to produce your own stop motion and clay digital animations. You will be able to take a copy of your work home with you.

A screening of all the animations will occur at the Town Hall Theatre from 5pm on Tuesday 23 January.

Spaces are strictly limited and bookings are essential. Priority will be given to those aged 12–18 years.

So fill out a registration form today to guarantee your place!

This is a free event thanks to the generous support of the Mid-Western Regional Youth Council.

Booking forms are available from Council libraries, customer service offices and online at the Youth Council page via www.midwestern.nsw.gov.au

Enquiries: 6378 2850 | 6378 2713

Town Hall Theatre

Monday 22 and Tuesday 23 January 2018

9.00am – 4.00pm

64 Market Street, Mudgee

SHAUN BROWN'S CRICKET COACHING NSW COUNTRY CAMPS

Mudgee 16, 17 January 2018

9am – 3pm

Venue TBC

7 – 16 year olds

\$149 (early bird before 24 Nov \$139)

Freecall 1800 35 14 15 or book online www.cricketcoaching.com.au

The camps are designed for the keen young player of all abilities and run on the popular two-day format across NSW. As always, they provide 12 hours of coaching, with all camps running from 9.00am till 3.00pm. Camps cover T/20, Test and One Day skills.

- Fun, safe environment
- Photo example reports
- Video analysis
- Great master coach ratios 1:12
- Insightful talks from former test players

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Sydney Wet'N'Wild in January over the school holidays?



Mudgee Tourist Bus will be making 4 trips in January, 1st, 8th 15th and 22nd. Discounted entry tickets available into Wet'N'Wild when booking a bus seat. Ring or see further details online when booking at <https://mudgeetouristbus.rezdy.com/208298/wet-n-wild-tour>

Bus seat costs \$30 pp

Departing Mudgee Visitor Information Centre at 7:00 am and departing Wet'n'Wild 5 pm. 1/2 hour McDonald's stop at Lithgow on the way down and 1/2 hour McDonald's stop at Blaxland on the way back.

Note kids under the age of 18 must have a parent or guardian with them.
This price doesn't include entry into Wet'N'Wild.

Wet'N'Wild Tickets - One Day Admission \$50 pp

1 Day General Admission tickets are valid for one day of admission to Wet'N'Wild Sydney within the 2017/18 Season.

The pass will be given as you get on the bus.

Note; This pass needs to be bought 15 days before tour date

One Season Pass \$90 pp

Unlimited entry to Wet'N'Wild Sydney during the 2017/18 operating season
10% off in-park retail purchases and pay-per-play attraction, the Sydney SkyCoaster
Fast Photo Pass which includes unlimited in-park digital photos*
Member-only benefits throughout the season.

This year all tickets and season pass holders receive free parking at Wet'N'Wild Sydney.
The pass will be given as you get on the bus.

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