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Term 1 – Week 10



MHS Newsletter

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Coming Events:

- Mar 31 Apr 7
 Yr 12 ½ yearly exams
- April 25
 Anzac Day
- April 26 Students return to School Term 2

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- Awards
- Yr 11 Info evening 3 April
- PBL Focus
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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

The AGM of the school's P&C was held on Monday evening, 27 March.

Congratulations to Belinda Roach, who was elected President. Congratulations too to Renae Hill who was returned as Secretary, Lorraine Stewart who was returned as Treasurer and finally Joanne Ninness, who was elected Vice President.

It would be remiss of me not to thank Susan Reinhard who, after several years in the chair, has stepped aside from the role of P&C President. Susan has been a great advocate for parents and been at the forefront of seeking additional resources for the school, not least the community partnership grant that made possible the resurfacing of the basketball courts over the last summer break.

On Tuesday 28 March, I along with Mr McNeill had the privilege of escorting fifteen students to Sydney, where they delivered presentations they had developed for an organisation called "Together for Humanity". Together for Humanity is a multi-faith not-for-profit organisation that works with schools and other bodies to build acceptance of differences in culture and belief. With regard to schools, they do this by bringing students and teachers into contact with people from diverse backgrounds in an open, supportive and enjoyable setting. In that setting, Together for Humanity seeks to inspire interest, empathy and understanding as well as questioning existing prejudices and encouraging greater appreciation of others as people.

Our students were under a little pressure to come up with "the goods" as the first team we entered, back in 2016, won the event with their production. In fact, it was the quality of the production last year that allowed us to enter two teams this year; a Year 7/8 team and a Year 9/10 team.

Our students' productions were – and I know this will sound biased – first rate; the kind of things you'd expect from an advertising agency. The competition was fierce. The outcome? The Mudgee High junior team won.

So highly regarded an event was the competition that the first, second and third place getters then presented their work in the theatre beneath NSW Parliament House. They were greeted and later congratulated by dignitaries and politicians, including Rob Stokes, the Education Minister, and Jihad Dib, the Shadow Education Minister.

It was a big day out, kicking off at 4am and concluding at 8.15pm. All of the students involved – Angus Blackwell, Rachel Carrier, Ned Dickson, Alanna Drent, Claire Finter, Anneleis Galvin, Alexis McNamara, Connor McNeill, Blake Micallef, Cameron (Lloyd) Roach, Lucy Sebelic, Daniel Trevethan, Skye Turner, Colby Warren and Carter Wright – acquitted themselves well and are worthy of praise. I need too to mention Jaiden Roach who was active during all of the preparation but sick on the day. He was most certainly a member of the winning team.





Junior Team Senior Team







The Shadow Minister speaks

Finally, a gentle reminder to Year 11 students and their parents/carers. The study skills workshop to be held next Monday evening is an exceptionally worthwhile one and the first of three to assist you in getting the most from your HSC years.

Mr McLennan will be the MC on the night and, as Year 12 students will attest, he is an entertaining and engaging presenter.

The event starts at 6pm and will be held in the Performance Centre.

Until next week!

Wayne Eade Principal

TERM 1 WEEK 9 AWARDS

Yr 8: Jessica Charles Yr 9: Garath Cumberland P&C - Yr 7: Quaide Elvy Yr 10: Campbell Stubbs Yr 11: Zeyu Niu Yr 12: Lauren Maynard

SRR Award - Yr 12 Thomas Maskell

INFORMATION EVENING FOR YR 11 STUDENTS AND PARENTS MONDAY 3RD APRIL - "EFFECTIVE STUDY AND SUPPORTING EFFECTIVE STUDY"

Mudgee High School is committed to strengthening its partnerships with parents and caregivers to best support our students. We understand the road to the HSC can be a challenging one for not only our students but also their caregivers. At Mudgee High, we are making a commitment to empowering parents to confidently navigate this journey and assist with study. An element of this commitment is a planned series of events designed to provide a range of information relevant to success in the HSC.

Parents and students are cordially invited to attend this information evening called "Effective Study and Supporting Effective Study". It will be held on Monday 3rd April commencing at 6:00pm. The presentation will take place in the school performance centre and will focus on:

- Effective Studying
- Understanding the ATAR
- Time Management

This is an opportunity for students to learn the importance of, and techniques that underpin, effective study. In doing so, they will be better equipped to get the most value out of the time and effort they must put into their HSC journey to realise their best.

Parents will find the tips for supporting their children to be extremely useful, allowing them to better support their children heading towards the HSC.

We look forward to seeing you.

PBL Focus this week

Mudgee High School is a positive behaviour for learning school. We expect all students to follow our universals and be SAFE, RESPECTFUL and RESPONSIBLE whilst in the Bus Lines

To be Safe

- Follow staff instructions
- Remain behind the fence before your bus arrives
- Enter and exit bus with care





To be Respectful:

• Queue in an orderly manner when entering and exiting the bus

To be Responsible:

- Care for your equipment and that of others
- Have bus pass or money available



THE SKIN SCHOOL @ ULTIMATE CARE

Ultimate Care would like to announce

"The Skin School".

What is "The Skin School"?

This is an educational event for Teens, Tweens and all aged kids who are experiencing skin conditions such as breakout, oily skin, blackheads or Acne. Your child will receive a full Skin Health Care Check with our Observ diagnostic camera. Watch an educational video on why they get pimples. Learn how to cleanse, exfoliate and protect their skin in a hands-on workshop. They will also take home a starter pack of skin care.

This will be a fun event aimed at setting up good skin care for the rest of your child's life. 2 sessions are scheduled in the April school holidays on Wednesday 12th April and Wednesday 19th April at 2pm and cost is \$99.00

The SRC Supports National Youth Week

From Friday 31st March through to Friday the 7th April the Mudgee Youth Council will be holding a variety of activities for Youth in the Mid-Western Regional Council Area.

Activities include: an art exhibition, a story competition, Youth Idol, a dodge ball competition, a manga workshop (19th April), a trivia night and a one-night only viewing of Jasper Jones.

Jasper Jones tickets can be bought from the Mudgee Town Library between 4-6pm from the 3 – 5th April.



For more information, please contact Virginia Handmer 63575010 Mid-Western Regional Council or for entry and registration check on www.midwestern.nsw.gov.au









VIVID SYDNEY HARBOUR CRUISE 2017

Vivid Sydney is set to enthral audiences once again with a remarkable program of light, music and ideas. Join us aboard the newly refurbished *Mari Nawi*, relax and enjoy the spectacular from the water.

A must-see event for the whole family. Refreshments, savory snacks and drinks are available from our on-board bar during this unforgettable cruise.

Book Online www.tribalwarrior.org DATES & TIMES

Friday 26 May, Saturday 27 May

Friday 2 June, Saturday 3 June

Friday 16 June

5:30pm - 7:30pm and 7:30pm - 9:30pm

TICKET PRICES

Adults \$35, Children* \$25, Family** \$85



Book Online www.tribalwarrior.org DATES & TIMES

Saturday 22 April 2017

1:00pm - 3:00pm

SCHOOL HOLIDAY CULTURAL CRUISE

Discover the stories of the Eora, Cadigal, Guringai, Wangal, Gammeraigal and Wallumedegal people.

Come ashore on Clark Island and immerse yourself in Aboriginal culture. View an authentic Aboriginal cultural performance. Learn the Aboriginal names and meanings of significant Sydney landmarks.

TICKET PRICES

Adults \$60, Children \$40, Concession \$45

As a not for profit community organisation, our cruises support our work with local young people and community of Redfern.



BANGABAOUI EDUCATION PROGRAM

A significant educational experience awaits you at Bangabaoui – a cultural cruise

and island tour designed by traditional owners and education professionals specifically for primary and secondary students.

Bangabaoui meets the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cross Curriculum Priority in the Australian Curriculum. Students will understand the elements of Identity and Living Communities and the interconnected concepts of Country/Place, Culture and People embedded in the curriculum through an enjoyable and highly acclaimed participatory excursion.

Bangabaoui's educational content provides informative material and focus points for all learning areas and is also a great opportunity for integrated units of work in key areas such as History, geography, Commerce, Business Studies, Legal Studies and Aboriginal Studies.

Bangabaoui is perfect for year level group excursions and subject specific learning! PROGRAM INCLUDES



- Two-hour harbour cruise and island visit led by Aboriginal guide and performers
- On board commentary with identification of important cultural landmarks, description of place names and historical context
 - Educational island tour and traditional performance

FEATURES

- Cruise from Circular Quay on Tribal Warrior's vessel the *Mari Nawi*
- Learn Aboriginal place names; about key cultural figures and colonial history
- Visit Belanglewool (Clark Island)
- Understand Aboriginal family life, fishing, hunting

and other food gathering techniques, land use in the area and the importance of the local flora

- Understand the significance of traditional body paint, Indigenous art and dreamtime stories.
- Listen to traditional music and actively participate in traditional dance
- Continued to be informed about Sydney Harbour from an Aboriginal perspective on return to Circular Quay

PRICE (including GST)

Prices are on a sliding scale depending on group size—the larger the group, the lower the per student cost. (Eg.100 students at \$25 each; 30 students at \$83 each)

Minimum numbers for the cruise are generally 30 up to a maximum capacity of 100.

BOOKINGS

Please contact us to discuss your school's excursion. We may be able to facilitate combining smaller school groups on Tuesday and Thursday educational cruises depending on numbers and availability.

CONTACT: Tribal Warrior (02) 9699 3491

sales@tribalwarrior.org

www.tribalwarrior.org

We are a non-profit community organisation established in 1998 by concerned Aboriginal people aiming to fulfil goals of self-determination by spreading and vitalising Aboriginal culture and providing economic and social stability. Governed by respected Aboriginal Elders and grass roots community members, we have a long and proud history of working with disadvantaged Indigenous and non-Indigenous youth, providing mentoring and training leading to self-esteem, empowerment and employment.

Our programs are largely funded by our Cruises, Charters and Cultural Performances as well as donations and support from companies, NGO's, governments and individuals.



Flash fiction is between 50 and 500 words, able to be written in an hour and read in a minute. It is a short, sharp snippet of prose that makes every word count.

How to write your own flash fiction...

Choose one of the following:

- an object near you
- a location that you have visited
- a situation (eg. a class, a game, a party)
- aperson
- a **relationship** (eg. between siblings)
- a conversation

Write 300 words about your chosen subject.

- For the **object**: consider placement, condition, significance and provenance, and think about point of view.
- For the **location**: pick a season and time of day, and decide whether or not to include people.
- For the **situation**: consider who is populating the scene and think in terms of all of the five senses.
- For the **person**: decide how you want to balance internal and external descriptions and think about the narrator's relationship to the subject.
- For the **relationship**: think about demonstrating familiarity and consider the dynamics of similarity and difference.
- For the **conversation**: consider how many speakers are present, keep it snappy and consider the way language is used.

Read over your piece and consider:

- Does the length fit the content?
- Is there a way to trim or expand it?
- What can it tell you about your writing practice?
- Could it be part of a longer work?

Time for a quick edit!

- Read the piece aloud. What snags? How can you rework it?
- Think about what effect you want the piece to have on the reader and what you can do to emphasise that.
- Focus on the **language**: are the nouns, verbs and tone all working together?

Satisfied? Great! Send your piece to the Youth Week Flash Fiction competition!

Find more flash fiction at seizureonline.com/category/flashers



The Ride

By Amanda O'Callaghan

She took the boy with the fizzing brain to the fair, pulled him through the gate and up the stairs, where he wails into the faces of glaring children.

The mother, who loves him and some days wishes him dead, forces him into his seat. She walks back into the crowd with a tundra smile nine years in the freezing.

The man running the ride – sensing something, sensing nothing – pulls a lever on a tin box. The music shifts and clamours, the giant teacups turn, whirling their sherbet colours.

And the boy – riding alone in his yellow cup, the crowd waiting for the motor to cut, for him to be taken down – the boy tips his head back and laughs at the way, for once, the world spins its dizzy path to him.

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Flash Fiction Competition

Entry Form

Name			
Age			
Address			
Phone Number			
Email			
WORKS N	MUST HAVE A TITLE (NO UNTITLED) FOR VOTING P	URPOSES	
Title of Entry 1			
Title of Entry 2			
Title of Entry 3			
agree to the terms a	and conditions and publication rights as stated:		
Signature		Date	
ignature of parent/gi	uardian if under 18		

Email entries to portia.lindsay@gmail.com or drop into the Mudgee branch of MWRC Library (attach story to entry form). Stories will be displayed with the art and photography competition entries in a pop---up venue from Friday 31 March to Sunday 9 April. Entrants must be aged 12–21 and live in the Mid---Western Regional Council area. Please submit only a copy of your flash fiction piece, as stories will not be returned after the exhibition.

Visit www.midwestern.nsw.gov.au/Community_Services/Youth_Services.html for full terms and conditions and associated Youth Week art competition details.



PRIZES!

1st prize \$100 voucher 2nd prize \$70 voucher and prize \$30 voucher



Signed

Date

Signature of parent/guardian if under 18



Youth Week 2017

Battle of the Brains Trivia night

Thursday 6th April

from 6 to 9pm in Mudgee Town Hall Theatre (above the library), Market Street

GREAT PRIZE MONEY! WINNING SCHOOL \$400 plus trophy

Make up a team of 8 friends and join in the fun! Get extra points for your team

Please return this form to your school youth councilor, drop into school library or email virginia.handmer@midwestern.nsw.gov.au

Rego by the 31st March Let the battle begin!!!

buses will leave KHS at 5pm and GHS at 5.30 return 10pm and 9.30 respectively

refreshments will be for sale on the night Team registration

Team name:				
Name of school:	adult			
Team members names Age (if under 18)	School team/adult team name	Signatures		
Terms & Conditions: Entrants must be high school age or part live in the Mid-Western Regional Council Entry form must be filled in and signed by Judge's decision is final I agree to the terms and conditions and publ	area all team members and where	applicable signed by parent /guardian		

Youth Week

31st March - 9 April 2017

Individuals and groups of young people are invited to enter a



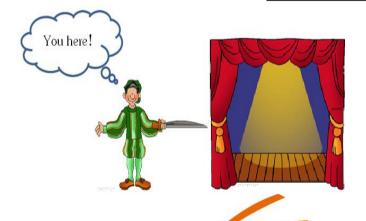
Youth Idol contest

Friday 31st March Prince of Wales Opera House, Gulgong 7-9pm

Cash Prizes for individual or group performance

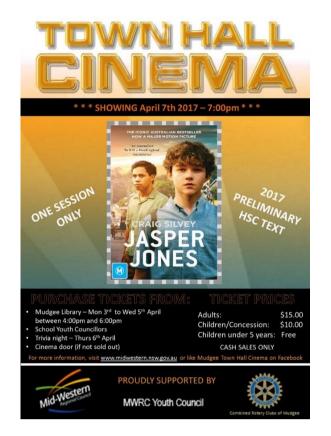
1st; \$100 2nd; \$70 and 3nd;\$30

Entry forms available on MWRC website under youth week 2017



For more information please call MWRC Community & Youth Development Officer; Virginia Handmer on







MUDGEEE VINTAGE MARKETS

Easter Saturday 15 April - Gold coin entry and raffle – proceeds to Year 12 Rainbow Day

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