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MHS Newsletter

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Coming Events:

- May 22 P&C Meeting in Library 7pm
- May 26 Postponed Athletics Carnival
- May 31 Cross
 Country

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Communication and Organisational Effectiveness

If you are reading this newsletter as an attachment to an email sent from the school, well done you! If you are reading it via an upload to our website or Facebook page that is good too, but you will not see it as soon as those to whom it is emailed.

At various times through the year, Mudgee High offers parents the opportunity to receive the weekly school newsletter via email. In fact, if you walked in off the street and made the request, it would occur from the very next issue.

Take up of this offer to date looks very promising. The following details the number of email subscribers we have relative to the cohorts in which they have children:

- Year 7 99
- Year 8 120
- Year 9 96
- Year 10 50
- Year 11 35, and
- Year 12 27.

It is worthwhile noting that this year's Year 7 is numerically the smallest cohort to enter the school in more than a decade (a demographic thing, as next year's Year 7 promises to be one of the largest the school has enrolled). It is also worth noting that the push to have parents and carers sign up for emailed notifications really notched up at the beginning of 2015, when this year's Year 9 started high school.

Long story short, if you're reading this via our web page or Facebook page, do not worry. You will still be able to do so as there are no plans to change this arrangement. However, if you want to see the newsletter and/ or receive messages and alerts from the school just a little earlier, share with us your email address and we will put you on the mailing list.

Raising "good" kids

Principal's Message

- P&C Awards
- SRR Award

This issue:

- PBL Focus
- ENID Aim high, think big
- Cross Country
- Open girls soccer
- Charles Sturt University (CSU) -Dubbo Info Day
- National Disability Information Sessions
- Community
 Announcements
- Sponsorship

I like to keep up with what the "experts" have to say on matters of pedagogy and wellbeing. Sometimes the stuff read is quite insightful and stretches the lateral thought processes. Sometimes it all seems so obvious that it's a little like being taught how to suck eggs.

However, sometimes the obvious isn't so obvious and without explicit demonstration, personal discovery of what may appear obvious to a great many may just be missed altogether. If what follows reads like an "of course" list and allows you to check off in tick-a-box fashion what happens at your place, that's not such a bad thing. If what follows makes you stop and reflect upon what you do at home, that's a good outcome.

So here are the "five secrets" to raising "good" kids, revealed by Harvard University psychologists.

- 1. Spend quality time with your children.
 - This seems like a no-brainer, but it comes with instructions nonetheless. Be open in your communication, listen carefully to what they say and do things together. A caveat in all of this is that your children will not love you more, but they will learn what it is to be considerate, what it is to care, and remember their youth as a positive time.
- 2. Let your children see a strong moral role model and mentor in you.
 - The best part about this one is that in its practise, you don't need to be perfect. Be mindful of your manners and actions and when you make a mistake, don't be afraid to admit to them. Fairness and honesty practised at home becomes the expectation of all within that home.

- 3. Teach your children to care for others and set high ethical expectations. It turns out that caring for others' happiness and avoiding selfish behaviours brings its own benefits to the practitioner of such behaviours. Make them accountable for the obligations and responsibilities that fall on them, including chores, manners, school responsibilities, friends, and the promises they make to others. The message they receive should not be "*The most important thing is that you are happy*." It should be "*The most important thing is that you're happy*."
- 4. Encourage your children to practise appreciation and gratitude. It turns out that people who regularly practise gratitude are more likely to be helpful, generous, compassionate and forgiving. They are also more likely to be both mentally and physically healthy. Children should be encourages to both give and *receive* gratitude; accept praise when merited.
- 5. Teach your children to see the bigger picture. The vast majority of children are able to empathise with and care about those within their family and within their circle of friends. The challenge is to encourage our children to see beyond these small groups and engage with the big picture. Children need to learn how their thoughts and actions can affect the whole community.

Personality is shaped almost entirely in childhood. Building "good" adults" begins in childhood. Being mindful of this enormous responsibility is the key to success.

For more, here's the link to the Harvard page... and no, you won't need to have a dictionary at your side.

https://mcc.gse.harvard.edu/parenting-resources-raising-caring-ethical-children/raising-caring-children

... and finally, for those who say you mustn't place a comma before "and" I dedicate this last line to my children, Eric Clapton and Big Ted.

Until next week...

Wayne Eade Principal

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Dear Parent/Carer

Mudgee High School may often use email as a method of communication, including contact from Year Advisers and absence notifications.

Parents can access and explain their child's attendance records via the parent portal. An Access key will be sent to your email address as listed below.

In addition, if you wish to receive the newsletter by email, please indicate below.

□ Yes, we would like the Mudgee High newsletter emailed to the email address below.

Please complete the following to update our database.

Email Address

Parent Name

Contact Ph Number

Date

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N/L	PP	DATE

TERM 2 WEEK 4 AWARDS

P & C AWARDS: Lucy Campbell – Yr 7, Ebony Cottam – Yr 8, Parker Henwood – Yr 9, Amelia Sauerbier – Yr 10, Samantha Seaman – Yr 11 and Emma Pooley – Yr 12

SRR AWARD: Jarrod McMurray – Yr 9

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 at assembly.**

- <u>To be Safe</u>
- Follow staff instructions
- Enter and exit by the correct door
- Sit where directed





To be Respectful

- Listen attentively
- Acknowledge achievements appropriately

To be Responsible:

- Move swiftly to assembly
- Leave bags where directed



ENID - AIM HIGH, THINK BIG

This Wednesday 24th May, all Year 9 & 10 girls will be involved in the ENID production which will be held in the Performance Centre from Period 1 to 4 (this includes the assembly).

ENID is a school presentation program dedicated to **empowering girls' futures**. The focus is to address the issues young girls are currently facing so as to enhance their self-belief, confidence and personal purpose.

ENID showcases the **diverse array of career**, **educational**, **life and post-school opportunities** available, particularly those in which females are underrepresented. Equality of opportunity begins with awareness of what's really out there, and continues by instilling in girls the confidence, self-belief and strategies to discover their purpose and make informed decisions.

Through **educating**, **equipping and connecting** young female school students before and throughout their professional careers and further study, ENID facilitates the inevitable transition between Schools, Higher Education and Industry.

OUTCOMES

- Raise awareness of diverse and accessible **pathways** and **opportunities** including STEM and entrepreneurial careers
- Showcase role models and female leaders of similar age to show tangible pathways and facilitate goal setting
- Increase **confidence** and self-belief through mentoring and equipping girls with practical and tangible skills (e.g. motivation, mindsets), to make better informed decisions
- Develop soft and hard skills to discover **personal purpose** e.g. confidence, leadership and public speaking, resume and application writing
- Build an accessible and trustworthy support network

MUDGEE HIGH CROSS COUNTRY 2017

The Cross Country will take place on Wednesday 31st of May (Week 6). It is compulsory for students in years 7, 8, 9 and 10. Students in Years 11-12 may nominate if they wish to participate and are encouraged to do so. Students must participate in the school event to be eligible for Western Area Trials selection.

The course will start and finish at Walkers Oval and run along the walking track to Lawson Park. Students will walk under teacher supervision to Walkers Oval after lunch and will be brought back to school by 3.25pm. Races will be run in age groups.

Students will need to listen to the announcements in roll call and on assembly for further information.

OPEN GIRLS SOCCER REPORT 2017

Round 1 – V Gulgong

The girls played Gulgong HS in the 1st round of the State KO Competition and won with a very convincing score line 12-0. Goals were plentiful and the scorers were Stephanie Bartlett, Abigaile Lynch, Magdalan Newton, Molly Forrest and Kylie Campbell.

This put the girls through to round 2, playing Kandos HS again at home on the school oval. The score increased in this game and looked more like a different sports scoreline, with 19 goals finding the back of the net. Goals were scored by Abi Lynch, Lily Smith, Kylie Campbell, Stephanie Bartlett, Molly Forrest, and Kylie Campbell.

Round 3 was an away fixture at Lithgow HS. The match was close throughout the first half and despite some good shots the score was 0-0 at the half time break. Lithgow scored twice in the second half and the Mudgee girls were unable to respond, with the full time score being 2-0.

The girls were all fantastic representatives of Mudgee High School and should be proud of their efforts.

Team: Claire Finter, Lily Smith, Rachel Bennett, Charli Hayes, Ebony Roach, Tara Sandry, Stephanie Bartlett, Kylie Campbell, Molly Forrest, Abigaile Lynch, Magdalan Newton, Grace Pearce, Laura Treverrow and Grace Woodgate. Coach Ms McCann



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Info Day Dubbo 2017

Schedule – Day Session*

DAY SESSION – Open to Senior High School students and Parents		
11:30 - 11:50	Registration	
11:50 - 12:20	General Information Session	
12:30 - 1:30	Student Session - Bachelor of Nursing - Bachelor of Social Work - Bachelor of Education (Early Childhood and Primary)	
	Parent Information Session - All parents attend	
1:30 - 1:55	Break	
2:00 - 2:35	Course Information Session - Bachelor of Nursing - Bachelor of Social Work - Bachelor of Education (Early Childhood and Primary)	
2:40	2:40 OR Depart	

*Schedule may be subject to change

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Dubbo Info Day Registration Form

Tuesday 20 June 2017 Day Session: 11:30am – 2:40pm Evening Session: 4:00pm – 6:30pm

Please either scan and email or fax the completed Registration Form by 13 June 2017 Fax: 02 6338 6011 Email infoevents@csu.edu.au

Student details				
First Name:	Sumame:			
Date of Birth:///				
Phone Number:				
*Email address:				
School Name:				
Postcode: C	itizenship:			
School Year: 12	11			
Please indicate your area of interest in order of preference (1-3). Early Childhood & Primary Nursing Social Work I would like to attend: (Please choose one) Morning Session 11:30am - 2:40pm (recommended for school students) Evening Session - 4:00pm - 6:30pm Do you have a medical condition that we need to be aware of? Yes No				
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Parent / Carer Information Sessions				
We will be conducting information sessions on the day for parents / carers. Please indicate if a parent/carer would like to participate in the sessions.				
Attending parent session No Yes If Yes how many will be attending				
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