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MHS Newsletter

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

SHOOSH for Kids

The school Athletics Carnival held last Friday was a corker! Postponed from the previous week when "rain (would have) interrupted play," Friday 26 May turned out to be one of those late autumn pearlers; no wind, an azure sky, temperature in the mid to high teens and kids overwhelmingly involving themselves in all of the events on offer.

It was a well-organised, well-run and well-attended event.

It was also good too to see quite a few guests - parents, grandparents and carers – also there to cheer on their kids; a feature for many years of both our swimming and athletics carnivals.

The only disappointment, however, was to later be informed that not all of our guests had been on their best behaviour.

Now just last week I spoke of the findings from a Harvard study on what it is that makes for the effective raising of good kids. There were five points the study made. This week I want to revisit Point 2. *Let your children see a strong moral role model and mentor in you*. I specifically wanted to revisit this point in reference to our Athletics Carnival, as it ties in well with a push coming from the NSW Government's *Office of Sport* called "Shoosh for Kids".

The Harvard boffins' advice was simple; be mindful of your manners and actions and when you make mistakes, don't be afraid to admit to them.

The "Shoosh for Kids" campaign is a collaboration between the *Office of Sports* and state sporting organisations that seeks to address the role we play as adults in modelling good manners and good behaviour in sport. It is all about promoting positive sideline behaviour at junior sports events.

"Shoosh for Kids" has a general rule: if you can't say anything nice, don't say anything at all.

The issues the Office of Sports seeks to address that stem from poor sideline behaviour are:

- Abuse to officials
- Reduced volunteer numbers
- Reduced participation rates (due to poor experiences/ non-enjoyment/ too competitive)

This issue:

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SEE OUR WEBSITE FOR THE FULL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Coming Events:

- Week 6 Yr 12 Reports issued
- May 31 Cross Country
- June 16 Yr 11 & 12 vaccinations
- June 19 Yr 11 Reports issued
- June 30 Yrs 7-10 Reports, Silver & Gold Awards issued



Sport should be a positive experience for all kids. As passionate as some of us can become about our sport, at the end of the day our kids are seldom "playing for sheep stations" so maintaining a little decorum while on the sideline behoves us all.

... and it won't leave children feeling embarrassed because mum or dad is behaving like a proper pork chop!

It should be remembered that sporting carnivals are run to encourage house participation, allow students the opportunity to compete in what are friendly games and, in the case of our more athletic students, create a platform from which those same students can move on to CHS selection. Schools are not obliged to allow guests to attend school events like sporting carnivals. As a staff, we do so because we want parents and carers to be involved.

All that said, I need to make this next point very clear. If guests at future events were to demonstrate an unwillingness or indeed inability to embrace "Shoosh for Kids" then those same guests may find themselves asked to leave. Such an outcome would be lamentable. But if we are serious about modelling good manners and good behaviour for all of Mudgee High's kids, it may be necessary.

Until next week...

Wayne Eade Principal

TERM 2 WEEK 5 AWARDS

P & C AWARDS: Brodie Laidler – Yr 7, Cameron Roach – Yr 8, Ethan Beard – Yr 9, Jessica Stokes – Yr 10, Michael Dowell – Yr 11, Oliver Johns – Yr 12

SRR AWARD: Emily Cowden - Yr 7

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 in the playground





<u>To be Safe</u>

- . Follow staff instructions
- . Stay in bounds
- . Report issues of concern

To be Respectful

- . Maintain appropriate personal space
- . Place rubbish in the bins

To be Responsible

- . Care for your
 - equipment and that of others
- . Use active and passive areas appropriately





COMBINED HIGH SCHOOLS

CHS – Combined High Schools – representation is, quite frankly, a pretty big deal. It is with this in mind that the staff of Mudgee High would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Billy Carberry on his selection as a NSW CHS team member in Rugby Union.

CHS representation is the highest sporting honour a student in New South Wales can attain. In achieving this representation, Billy has become part of a great tradition.

Well done, Billy!



Book a Black Dog Institute presentation on: Breaking down depression & building Resilience



About this presentation

Delivered by a trained presenter who has a personal experience of a mood disorder or of caring for a loved one, 'Breaking down depression and building resilience' is a 60 minute presentation suitable for general audiences with, or without a mood disorder. This presentation will provide accurate information about what mood disorders are, their causes, how to spot early warning signs, what to do and how to build personal resilience. The desired outcome is that people will be better informed, better equipped to identify warning signs and feel more comfortable seeking help and communicating more openly and honestly.

Cost: Gold coin donation Location: Performance Centre, Mudgee High School, 41 Douro St, Mudgee, NSVV When: 3:45pm Monday 5th June For more information please email KAREN.QUINN@det.nsw.edu.au



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