

# MHS Newsletter

Mudgee High School – Locked Bag 2004, MUDGEE NSW 2850  
ABN: 18 246 198 266 Telephone: (02) 6372 1533 Facsimile: 6372 6321  
Website: [www.mudgee-h.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.mudgee-h.schools.nsw.edu.au)  
Email: [mudgee-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:mudgee-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au)  
<https://www.facebook.com/mudgeehighschool/>



Monday  
29 April  
Week 1 Term 2  
2019

## Principal's Message

### Welcome Back and Welcome!

Term 2 is here and with it, a new member of the permanent teaching staff. A warm welcome to Mrs Kira Vidaic, new to our HSIE department but a well-seasoned teacher after several successful years at North Sydney Boys' High in Sydney.

### School Development Day

Staff were back on Monday 29 April for our Term 2 school development day. The day allowed us to explore a number of things including an introduction to effective complaints handling, the motivations that may underlie some behaviours, professional learning centred on corruption prevention, and school planning focused on teaching, learning and leading.

Touching on the first professional learning session of the day, it is worth noting that the session focused on dealing with complaints with a positive, open mindset. Complaints will always have the potential to go pear-shaped quickly as they are often surrounded by heightened emotions. Effective complaints handling has the very real potential to provide us with some opportunities for improvement. Identifying ways in which we may be able to improve service, make fewer errors (and therefore spend less time correcting the avoidable), improve relationships, identify and solve potential problems in a pre-emptive fashion, as well as having a chance to improve acceptance of decisions that without discussion may otherwise have been viewed as unfavourable... these are pluses of effective complaints handling. We will spend more time over the coming weeks and months looking at ways in which we can learn from and grow when we fairly and effectively respond to the complaints and suggestions for improvement we occasionally receive.

A big thank you to our relieving Head Teacher Cath McNeill and relieving DP Melissa Date for their organisation of the day, Carl Holleman for his presentation, Jacqui Wakely and Alicia Cowden in the canteen for keeping the inner men and women fuelled, the various head teachers who led planning groups in the afternoon and of course the staff – both teaching and non-teaching – who were all active and instrumental in making the day a success.

### Honouring the Fallen and ANZAC Day

Finally, a thank you to those students who made time during the holiday period to variously take part in the Mudgee RSL's "Honour the Fallen" program or to acknowledge ANZAC Day through their attendance at the Mudgee march and ceremonies. Both were days of sombre reflection, our students conducted themselves with commendable reverence.

Georgia Christofis, Harry Christofis, Keely Croft, Alexis Gaffney, Hannah Gail, James Pegg, Ella Werth, Grace Woodgate, Duncan McNeill, Ned Dickson, Connor McNeill and Hilary Wright, along with Mrs McNeill and Mrs Werth and parent supporter Mrs Sarah Gaffney represented



*A Member of the  
Cudgegong Learning  
Community*

PLEASE SEE OUR WEBSITE  
FOR THE COMPLETE  
CALENDAR OF EVENTS



#### COMING EVENTS

- 14, 15 and 16 May - NAPLAN testing
- 22 May Cross Country
- 27 May P&C meeting
- 31 May Athletics Carnival
- 13, 14, 15 June - Seussical the Musical

#### THIS ISSUE

- Principal's Message
- MHS P&C Meeting
- Writing Friday
- Library News
- Tell Them From Me student survey
- NAPLAN
- Advertisements
- Sponsorship



Mudgee High on Tuesday 23 April in the “Honour the Fallen” program, placing Australian flags on the graves of all of the servicemen and women within the Mudgee cemetery.

On Thursday – ANZAC Day – more than forty students formed the school contingent in the ANZAC commemorations, with several more of our students in attendance as variously part of the community band, the Army Cadet Unit or the Air League.

See the photographs for more

Until next week...

Wayne Eade  
Principal



Anzac Day school contingent headed by Vice Captain Ethan Reinhard, Captain Lachlan Wall, Captain Georgia Christofis and Vice Captain Keely Croft.







Honour the Fallen - Hannah Gail and  
Georgia Christofis

### **MUDGEES HIGH SCHOOL P&C**

**The next meeting of the Mudgee High School P&C will be held on Monday 27 May 2019 at 7pm in the school library.**

**Entry via Horatio Street.**

**All welcome.**

## **Writing Friday**

*Cats or Dogs? Or neither?* Put forward an argument about why your favourite furry friend is the best.

In your writing, use:

- \* First person
- \* The words '*feline*', an adjective referring to cats and '*canine*', an adjective referring to dogs.



Your Goal: 200 words in 20 minutes.

## Library News

Term Two is shaping up to be a busy time in our Library as the school year reaches a peak time for both class and assessment work submission. Bookings into our spaces for this term are filling quickly with activities organised by staff and individual students.

A wonderful addition to the Library resource is the purchase of thirty Chromebook computers and a charging cart acquired through State Government school funding. This addition will see the Library, like many other faculties within Mudgee High, benefit from computer technology that will facilitate greater personal access for our students to undertake their learning in a digital space. These computers will be rolled out early in Term Two and will increase the capacity of the Library to cater for computer/internet based lessons. Effectively, we will be able to accommodate four full classes of computer lessons during each period of the school day. An accomplishment the 'possible' envy and 'maybe' unrivalled by other schools locally and even on a regional scale.

In other news, our Stage 6 Distance Education students in Years 11 and 12 submitted their first assessment tasks late last term. Results and feedback are starting to come back allowing students to gauge progress towards their HSC.

Those students being mentored through the Max Potential program are also utilising the library to meet and work with their mentors on individual projects that 'kicked off' in Term One. The dedication of both students and mentors participating in this program has been nothing short of inspirational to this point.



At present, we are also hosting two separate annual artefact displays within our Library. One features the more than 2000 year old Terracotta Warriors discovered in China in 1974. The other is on our own Aboriginal past that dates back a staggering 40 to 60 000 years.

As the months start to get cooler, MHS Library will become not only a place for students to come and work during lessons but also an inviting place to study, read and socialise during breaks. All students are welcome to visit our Library at any time and partake in the wide variety of activities we have on offer.

The library is here for them.







Education  
Centre for Education  
Statistics & Evaluation



## Tell Them From Me student survey: Information and consent form for parents and carers

Dear Parents and Carers,

In Term 1 2019, our school is taking part in the Tell Them From Me student survey. The survey will provide us with valuable feedback on what our students think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them. Schools in Australia and around the world have used the Tell Them From Me survey to help them improve. The survey is completed on-line and is run by an independent research company, The Learning Bar, which specialises in school-based surveys.

Staff in schools will not be able to identify individual students from their responses. To ensure confidentiality, participating students will receive a unique username and password. Where fewer than five students respond to a question, the results will be suppressed. The survey typically takes 30 minutes or less to complete and will be administered by the school during normal school hours. Once the surveys are completed by students, reports are prepared and in most cases are available to schools within three business days.

As well as schools getting student feedback, the Department of Education, through the Centre for Education Statistics and Evaluation (CESE), has access to data from across NSW and is running a research project to look at state-wide patterns of student wellbeing, engagement and effective teaching practices. The research is looking at how these things impact on student outcomes, including academic performance. Individual students will not be identified in any CESE publications, and all information will be handled in accordance with the relevant privacy legislation. Students' personal information will not be disclosed by the department to any other person or body other than as required by law.

This research will help schools in New South Wales to better understand how to improve student wellbeing and engagement. It will also help teachers and principals discuss what works to improve student outcomes.

Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary. Your child will not take part if either you or your child do not wish. If, during the survey, your child is uncomfortable, he/she can choose to stop the survey at any time. The majority of questions in the survey can be skipped.

If you do not want your child to take part in the survey, please complete the attached form and return it to the school by 6/5/2019.

More information about the survey and the research is available in English on the CESE website:

<http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/information-for-parents>

Wayne Eade  
Principal  
Mudgee High School

Dr Jenny Donovan  
Executive Director  
Centre for Education Statistics and Evaluation

CENTRE FOR EDUCATION STATISTICS AND EVALUATION

E [cese@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:cese@det.nsw.edu.au)

[www.cese.nsw.gov.au](http://www.cese.nsw.gov.au)

# Tell Them From Me Student Feedback Survey non-consent form

If you **do not** want your child to participate in the student feedback survey, please sign this form and return it to the school office by 6 May 2019.

**I DO NOT** give consent for my child/children to participate in the Tell Them From Me student feedback survey.

Name of student 1	Roll Class of student 1
.....	.....
Name of student 2	Roll Class of student 2
.....	.....
Name of student 3	Roll Class of student 3
.....	.....
Name of student 4	Roll Class of student 4
.....	.....

Name of parent/carers .....

Signature of parent/carers .....

Date .....

## Naplan

During May 2019, students at our school in Years 7 and 9 will sit the NAPLAN paper assessments. The schedule for tests is as follows:

Tuesday 14 May	Wednesday 15 May	Thursday 16 May
Language Conventions test (spelling, grammar and punctuation) Writing Test	Reading Test	Numeracy Test

**On Friday 17 May**, a 'catch-up' day is scheduled for students who missed a test.

Students may be exempt from the NAPLAN tests if they:

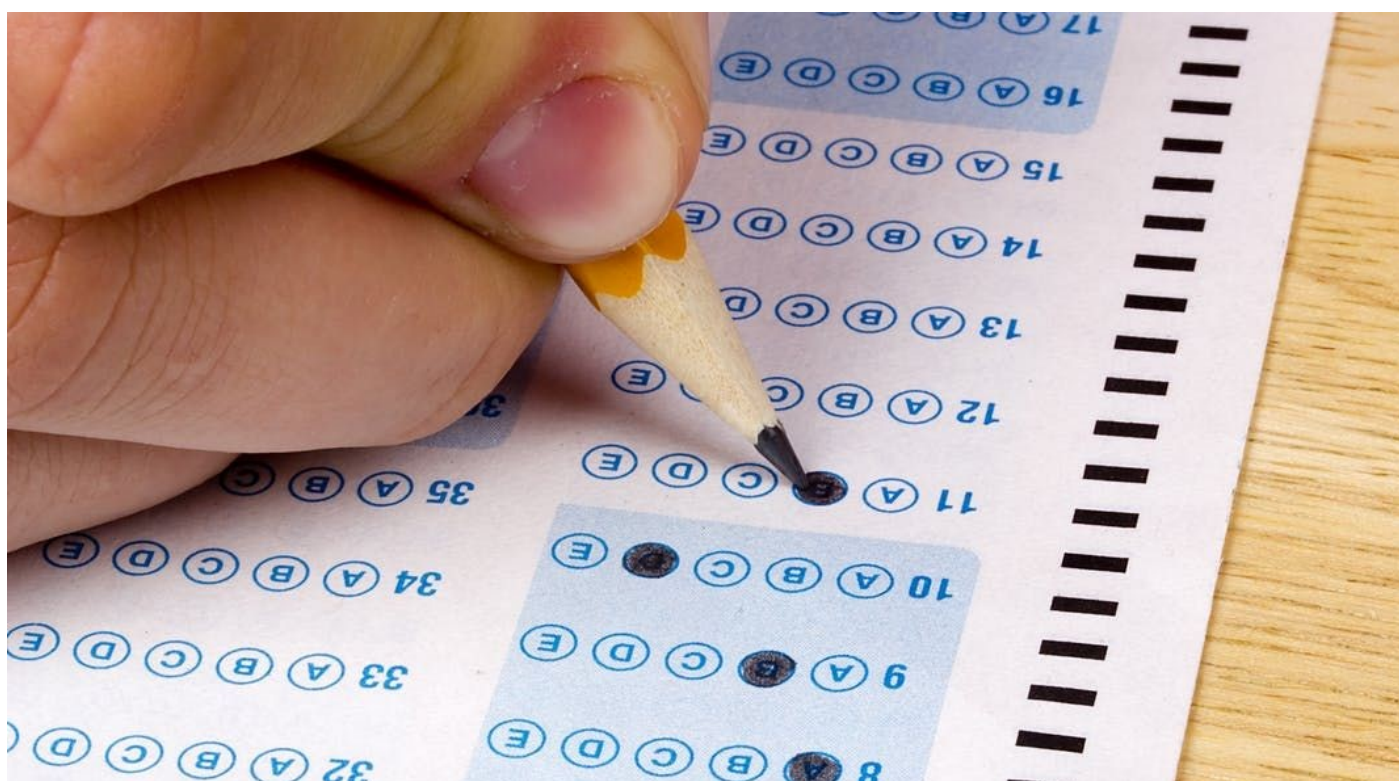
- Are newly arrived in Australia (less than one year before the test) and with a language background other than English.
- Have significant intellectual disability and/or significant co-existing conditions which severely limit their capacity to participate in the tests.

All other students are expected to participate in the tests.

Disability adjustments which reflect the student's normal level of support in the classroom may be provided. Large print, braille, coloured paper versions and electronic tests are also available to meet the needs of individual students. Access to disability adjustments or exemption from the tests must be discussed with the school principal and a parent or carer consent form must be signed.

Students may be withdrawn from NAPLAN by their parent or carer after consultation with the school principal. To withdraw your child from NAPLAN, a parent or carer consent form must be signed. Please contact the school if you need to discuss your child's participation in NAPLAN.

Any questions? Contact the NAPLAN team on 1300 119 556 or [naplan.nsw@nesa.nsw.edu.au](mailto:naplan.nsw@nesa.nsw.edu.au). For further information about NAPLAN, visit the [NESA website](#).



# MUDGEE HIGH SCHOOL CANTEEN MENU 2019

## HOT FOOD AVAILABLE EVERY DAY

CHICKEN & CORN ROLL	\$ 1.70
PIZZA ROUND	\$ 3.00
BEEF TRAVELLER PIE	\$ 4.00
CURRY CHICKEN PIE	\$ 4.50
POTATO PIE	\$ 4.50
CHILLI BEEF SAUSAGE ROLL	\$ 3.50
SAUSAGE ROLL	\$ 3.00
BEEF & GRAVY ROLL	\$ 5.00
HOT DOG WITH CHEESE	\$ 4.00
HOT DOG	\$ 3.50
GLUTEN FREE BEEF PIE	\$ 4.50
MAYO/SAUCE PORTIONS	\$ 0.30

## ROLLS & SANDWICHES

HAM SALAD	\$ 5.00
EGG SALAD	\$ 5.00
CHEESE SALAD	\$ 5.00
CHICKEN MAYO & SHALLOTS	\$ 5.00
CHICKEN CAESAR	\$ 5.00
SWEET CHILLI CHICK/AVOCADO	\$ 5.00

## **ALL ROLLS CAN BE MADE ON GLUTEN FREE ROLLS**

PLAIN BREAD ROLL	\$ 1.20
------------------	---------

## SALADS

GARDEN SALAD GF	\$ 6.00
CHICKEN CAESAR SALAD	\$ 6.00
FRESH FRUIT SALAD	\$ 4.00
SEASONAL FRUIT	\$ 1.00

## CHECK AVAILABILITY OF THESE SALADS

BUDDHA BOWLS	\$ 7.50
POTATO SALAD WITH CURRIED CHICKEN	\$ 7.50
MEXICAN CHICKEN WITH GUACAMOLE	

BROWN RICE & JALAPENO SALAD	\$ 7.50
GREEK SALAD	\$ 6.00
COUS COUS SALAD	\$ 5.00
PASTA SALAD	\$ 6.00

SUSHI	\$ 5.00
-------	---------

## SNACKFOOD

RED ROCK DELI CHIPS	\$ 1.00
JJ SNACKS	\$ 1.50
GRAIN WAVES	\$ 1.00

**CHECK OUR DAILY MENU BOARD FOR OTHER SPECIALS INCLUDING HOMEMADE SOUPS, PASTAS, FOCCACIAS, TURKISH MELTS, CURRIES, BURGERS AND SALADS**

**PLEASE NOTE: PINENUTS ARE USED IN PESTO, CASHEWS, ALMONDS & WALNUTS MAY BE USED IN SOME SPECIALS. IF YOU HAVE NUT ALLERGIES PLEASE CHECK WITH CANTEEN LADIES**

Please note these prices are subject to change throughout the year due to the increase in wholesale prices

**\* GLUTEN FREE LUNCHES...ALL DAILY SPECIALS CAN BE ADAPTED TO GLUTEN FREE PLEASE ENQUIRE AND THESE WOULD NEED TO BE PRE ORDERED**

## MILK AND DAIRY

MOOVE 300ML	\$ 2.50
MOOVE 500ML	\$ 4.00
PLAIN MILK	\$ 2.00
THICK& CREAMY YOGHURT	\$ 2.50
DARE 500ML	\$ 4.00
NIPPY'S MILK 375ML	\$ 3.50
CUSTARD 600ML	\$ 3.50

## BEVERAGES

COOLRIDGE WATER 750ML	\$ 4.00
WATER 600ML	\$ 2.00
GATORADE G2	\$ 4.00
HOT MILO (Winter only)	\$ 2.00
PEPSI MAX 600ML	\$ 4.00
COKE ZERO	\$ 2.50
SPRITE ZERO	\$ 2.50
KYNETON MINERAL WATER	\$ 3.00
BERRI FRUIT JUICE 350ML	\$ 3.00

## ICECREAMS

SHAKY SHAKE	\$2.00
PADDLEPOPS	\$ 1.60
Bulla FROZEN YOGHURT	\$ 2.50
Twisted FROZEN YOGHURT	\$ 2.50
MILO SCOOP	\$ 3.50
CYCLONE	\$ 2.00
RASPBERRY ICY POLE	\$ 1.30
LEMONADE TWIST	\$ 1.00

## DAILY SPECIALS

### MONDAY

SWEET CHILLI CHICKEN WRAP (ORDER ONLY)	\$ 5.00
--	---------

### TUESDAY

PIZZA SUB	\$ 2.50
-----------	---------

### WEDNESDAY

WEDGES	\$ 2.50
sour cream/sweet chilli sauce	\$ 0.50

### THURSDAY

CHICKEN BURGERS	\$ 4.00
GF CHICKEN BURGER	\$ 4.00
GF Order only	

### FRIDAY

THAI CHICKEN ROLL OR BOWL ORDER ONLY	\$ 6.00
--------------------------------------	---------



## Advertisements

### Are You A Parent of a Child Aged 2 to 12?

The Parenting and Family Support Centre at the University of Queensland is conducting research into parents' opinions about parenting and parenting programs. If you have a child between 2 and 12 years, we would love to hear your views on parenting and the services that are available to you as a parent. You will need to complete a short survey. To find out more or to participate please visit:

<https://exp.psy.uq.edu.au/parenting>



### How Is Parenting For You?

The Parenting and Family Support Centre at the University of Queensland is conducting research into parents' opinions about parenting and parenting programs.

If you have a child between 2 and 12 years, we would love to hear your views.

Contact Us **HERE:**



<https://exp.psy.uq.edu.au/parenting>





# Local Youth Employment Expo

Looking for work in the region and not sure how to go about it?

Local youth and their families are invited to this employment connection event. Hear from a variety of employers on the benefits of working for their business, and how they go about the hiring process. There will be the opportunity to approach business representatives one-on-one and ask questions.

## Local businesses presenting include:

- ☆ Priceline Pharmacy
- ☆ Woolworths
- ☆ Artisan on Lewis
- ☆ Coles
- ☆ Bunnings
- ☆ Ross Granata Motors

<b>DATE</b>	Wednesday 8 May 2019
<b>TIME</b>	4:30pm – 6:30pm (presentation 4:30pm – 5pm)
<b>LOCATION</b>	Mudgee Town Hall Theatre 64 Market Street, Mudgee
<b>AUDIENCE</b>	Persons aged 14 – 25, and their families
<b>BOOKINGS</b>	<a href="http://www.mwrcyouth.eventbrite.com">www.mwrcyouth.eventbrite.com</a>



This event is free, thanks to kind support from KEPCO Bylong.





HOW TO ADULT

HELPING YOU ON THE ROAD TO BECOMING AN ADULT



Need help  
with your job  
seeking skills?



Looking for tips  
on how to budget  
and manage  
your finances?



Seeking  
information  
about mental  
health?



Want help with  
scholarship  
applications?

Then this free monthly program is for you.

## MAY'S TOPIC

# Interview Skills

So you've submitted a fantastic resume for that job you're after, and landed an interview. Come to this informative session to find out all you need to know to ace the interview.

Experienced Human Resources professionals from Programmed Skilled Workforce and Mid-Western Regional Council, will discuss all the things to do, and not do in a job interview to improve your chances of being a successful applicant.

**FOR AGES:** 15 - 25

DATE	Thursday 9 May	Monday 20 May	Tuesday 21 May
TIME	4:30pm	4:30pm	5:00pm
VENUE	Mudgee Library 64 Market Street	Kandos Library 40 Angus Avenue	Gulgong Library 109 Herbert Street
CONTACT	Youth Services Officer  6378 2850		

**Bookings essential:** [www.mwrcyouth.eventbrite.com](http://www.mwrcyouth.eventbrite.com)

Kindly supported by



# TOWN HALL CINEMA

**Showing May 10th, 11th, 12th 2019**

**Tickets available online from Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April**

**Visit [trybooking.com](http://trybooking.com) and search 'Mudgee Town Hall Cinema'.**



## Swimming With Men

Fri 10 <sup>th</sup> May	7:00pm
Sat 11 <sup>th</sup> May	7:30pm
Sun 12 <sup>th</sup> May	4:30pm



## Shazam!

Sat 11 <sup>th</sup> May	4:30pm
Sun 12 <sup>th</sup> May	2:00pm



## Dumbo

Sat 11 <sup>th</sup> May	11:00am
Sat 11 <sup>th</sup> May	2:00pm
Sun 12 <sup>th</sup> May	11:00am

\* Tickets also available at the door (if not sold out prior).

For more information visit  
[midwestern.nsw.gov.au](http://midwestern.nsw.gov.au)  
or Mudgee Town Hall Cinema  
on Facebook

## Ticket prices

Adults \$15  
Children/Concession \$10  
(Seniors card not accepted)  
Children under 5 years Free

## Proudly supported by



Combined  
Rotary Clubs of  
Mudgee





# **Australian Air League CALLING ALL FUTURE PILOTS!**

If you are 8 years and older become a cadet  
and learn about flying, aircraft, marching,  
fieldcraft, and make lifelong friends!

**EVERY SCHOOL NIGHT  
FRIDAYS 1930-2130**

Everyone is welcome, for more inquiries visit:  
[mudgee.airleague.com.au](http://mudgee.airleague.com.au) | [www.airleague.com](http://www.airleague.com)

Or call: Tom McAdam on 0421 794 065  
or: Mark Woodhead: 0411 435 756

Active Kids Vouchers accepted

# THE 39<sup>TH</sup> GULGONG



## PRINCE OF WALES EISTEDDFOD 2019

**COMMENCES: (SUBJECT TO No. OF ENTRANTS)**

**DANCE: 5<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> MAY 2019**

**SPEECH: 23<sup>rd</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> MAY 2019**

**MUSIC: 29<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> MAY 2019**

**Gala Concert Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May 7pm**

The Eisteddfod is open to **ALL** and is a wonderful opportunity to participate in a range of arts alongside others of your same age or ability, including beginners!

**ALL ENTRIES CLOSE**

**DANCE/SPEECH/MUSIC:**

**31<sup>st</sup> March 2019, 11:59pm**

*(NOTE: Late entries will not be accepted)*

### **Further Information:**

Copies of the 2019 Syllabus and the Entry Form are available on the website:

[www.gulgongeisteddfod.com](http://www.gulgongeisteddfod.com).

Preferred entry is via:

<http://www.stardom.com.au>

where the 2019 Syllabus can also be accessed.

### **Sponsorship**

**Mudgee High School - LINK Program**

**Proudly supported by**

**GLENCORE**

**Ulan Coal Mine**





**Mudgee High School Presents**  
**Seussical the Musical**

Where? Town Hall Theatre  
When? 13, 14 and 15 June  
Time? 7pm, 2pm matinee Saturday 15  
Cost? \$20 per adult, \$15 concession

**Tickets available from school office from May 30**

