

# MHS Newsletter

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Monday  
7 December  
Week 9 Term 4  
2020

## Principal's Message

### Industrial Technology recognition

We know that young people who choose Industrial Technology subjects at Mudgee High and who are prepared to get creative and get busy are young people who will do well.

The results achieved in the HSC are testament to this simple fact.

Last Monday we were alerted of the following regarding our HSC Textiles and Design 2020 class:

"The following students from your school have been nominated for possible inclusion in *Texstyle*, the annual exhibition of outstanding Major Textiles Projects developed by HSC Textiles and Design students.

- Charli Hayes
- Ella Werth

The exhibition is coordinated by the Technology Educators Association NSW (TEANSW) and will be held in March 2021. TEANSW is exploring options for delivering *Texstyle* in 2021."

"A number of projects will be selected for *Shape 2020*, the combined exhibition of HSC Technology projects at the Museum of Applied Arts and Sciences (MAAS), Powerhouse Museum, Sydney, from 26 February to 9 May 2021."

Brilliant stuff... but it gets better.

A few days later, we received a further communique from NESA, the New South Wales Education Standards Authority, this one related to the work of our recently finished Industrial Technology Timber HSC students:

"The following students from your school have been nominated for possible inclusion in *InTech*, the annual exhibition of outstanding Major Projects developed by HSC Industrial Technology students.

- Ethan Beard
- Ed Bevege
- Cooper Rowe

A number of projects will be selected for *Shape 2020*, the combined exhibition of HSC Technology projects at the Powerhouse Museum, Museum of Applied Arts and Sciences (MAAS), Sydney, from 26 February to 9 May 2021."

*A Member of the  
Cudgegong Learning  
Community*

PLEASE SEE OUR WEBSITE  
FOR THE COMPLETE  
CALENDAR OF EVENTS



#### COMING EVENTS

- 10 - 11 December White Card General Induction for Construction, at school, Years 10 and 11
- Thursday 10 December presentation evenings. 6pm Years 7 and 8, 7.15pm Years 9, 10 and 11
- Monday 22 February 2021 P&C meeting

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Well done our students, well done Mrs Bailey and Mr Smith, their teachers, and well done Mudgee High!

## Vinnies Drought Relief

At the recent Year 12 Graduation Assembly, and because of COVID restrictions imposed by their organisation's leaders, it had not been possible to have recipient representatives of this year's Year 12 fundraising efforts present.

With restrictions beginning to lift, representatives from Vinnies Drought Relief were able to be on site. Mudgee Vinnies' rep Carol Jones and Vinnies regional executive officer Phil Donnan caught up with both Mr Couch and me on Thursday to express what was profound gratitude for the work of this year's Year 12 in raising – with the help of the Mudgee community – \$17,251.20 for drought relief.

Good work done by good people for community good.



## Promotions

Mudgee High is large enough to require two Deputy Principals.

For some time now, one of those Deputy Principals has been what the Department of Education calls substantive; the position being a permanent placement.

The other position has been filled in a relieving capacity; our in-house substantive Head Teacher Teaching and Learning has filled the role. You should note that I will never call a relief post an



acting position. There's no place for actors in a Deputy Principal position.

That relieving position was advertised earlier this term and duly filled. The successful applicant for the job was Mrs Melissa Date.

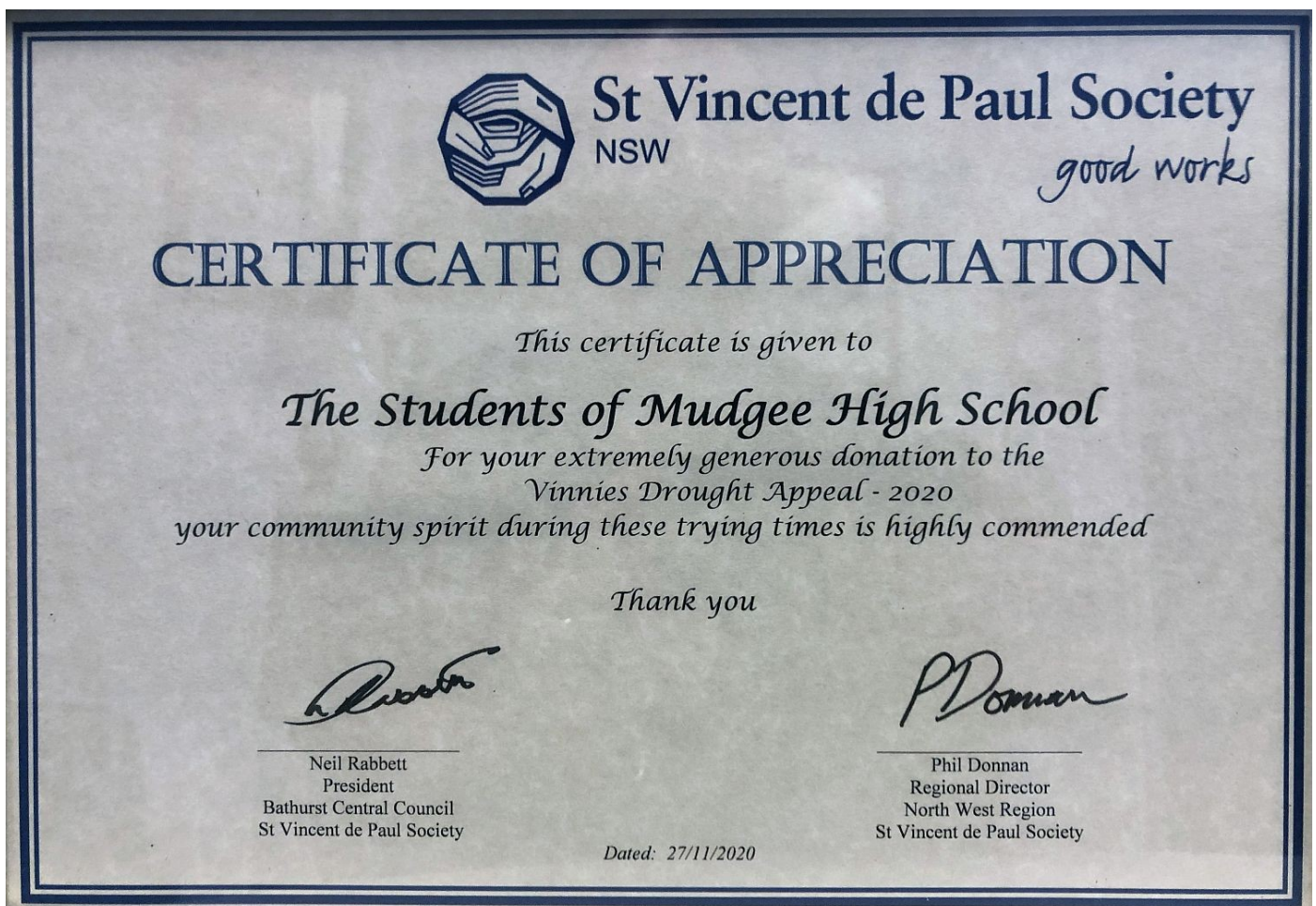
It would be a 'gutsy move', to quote Mrs Date, to welcome her aboard. She has been a teacher, reinvented as a Head Teacher, and in more recent times reinvented as a Deputy Principal, since 2001.

Instead, I'll congratulate her on now owning what she had already very much made her own; the other substantive Deputy Principal position.

Well done!

Until next week...

Wayne Eade  
Principal



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

**The next meeting of the Mudgee High School P&C will be held on Monday 22 February 2021 at 7pm via Zoom.**

**Link will be published on the MHS Facebook page.**

**All welcome.**

## **Week 8 Term 4 Awards**

**P&C Awards: Year 7 - Brianna Holt; Year 8 - Tahlia Cooke; Year 9 - Brandon King;  
Year 10 - Sophia Shereb-Schmidt; Year 11 - Lachlan Dowell**

## **Writing Friday**

### Task Nine: The Future

The story below is an excerpt (small extracted piece) of a longer story about a problem with a human-like robot called Elvex. Calvin is a great scientist and Linda Rash is a younger, less experienced scientist.

Read the story excerpt below and then compose your own piece of writing. You could use the excerpt as the **START** of a story or as the **INSPIRATION** for a piece of other writing in a different style.

*Calvin said, "Elvex, you will not move nor speak nor hear us until I say your name again."*  
*And again the robot became, to all appearances, a single inert piece of metal.*

*Calvin turned to Linda Rash and said, "Well, what do you think, Dr. Rash?"*

*Linda's eyes were wide, and she could feel her heart beating madly. She said, "Dr. Calvin, I am appalled. I had no idea. It would never have occurred to me that such a thing was possible."*

*"No," said Calvin, calmly. "Nor would it have occurred to me, not to anyone. You have created a robot brain capable of dreaming and by this device you have revealed a layer of thought in robotic brains that might have remained undetected, otherwise, until the danger became acute."*



## **Change to school payments by credit card - keeping card details safe**

All NSW state schools have been directed to follow the rules below when accepting debit/credit card payments:

- Don't enter card details into Parent Online Payments (POP) on behalf of a parent or carer.
- Don't ask for or accept card details over the phone or via email.
- Don't record card details in any form, whether in hard copy, such as on a piece of paper, or electronically in an email, Word document or spreadsheet.

The last TWO points all relate to the fact that the number, name, expiry date and CVV are private and sensitive.

Therefore, Mudgee High can no longer take eftpos payments over the phone.



# Australian Sharemarket Game

## The Game

While students are learning about investing and the share market, they can put into practice what they are learning by playing the Sharemarket Game. Students receive a virtual \$50,000 they can invest over a 10 week period in 220 companies listed on the ASX. The prices students buy and sell at are the same prices as they would get in the live market. So this is as close to real life share trading as you can get.

### As a result of playing the game students:

- Develop their knowledge of the share market.
- Learn how to research companies.
- Discover the importance of wise investment decisions.
- Gain a greater knowledge of economic and world events.
- Begin to learn more about investing which is beneficial for their future.



In this round, Mudgee High School had 46 registered trader players. To qualify for a participation certificate, participants had to make at least one transaction.

### At the end of the game, the top fifteen places were:

School rank	Student name	Portfolio value
1	B06 Roll call class	\$54,229.13
2	Holly Murdock	\$53,246.21
3	Emily Cowden	\$53,069.46
4	Tahlia Cooke	\$51,675.90
5	Mollie Blackman	\$51,401.27
6	Jack Murray	\$51,221.08
7	Tara Dwyer	\$50,886.48
8	Tina Luo	\$50,853.00
9	Rebekah Lowe	\$50,536.14
10	Darcy Cavanagh	\$50,501.20
11	Brodie Doran	\$50,444.45
12	Eva Hurrell	\$50,308.78
13	Ruby Redfern	\$50,270.10
14	Hamish Lynn	\$50,166.26
15	Seth May	\$50,132.35

This opportunity is open to all students in the school. The next round will open in February 2021. Keep an eye out for more information early in the New Year.

Miss Windeyer.

# Peer Support Leader's training

On Thursday 26 and Friday 27 November, approximately 40 students from Year 9 participated in the Peer Support Leaders' training sessions run by Mrs Lang. Across the two days, leaders were immersed in some of the activities they will run with the new cohort of Year 7 students in 2021. Students also discussed strategies to help Year 7 students cope with a range of issues that may arise when starting high school, including making friends and how to access many of the supports available at Mudgee High School.

The Peer Support Program provides a fun and engaging environment for young people to address social issues. Modules are delivered by older students and are designed to help equip younger students with the skills to deal proactively with life experiences.

Students from this year's Year 9 cohort were given the opportunity, early in Term 4, to apply to be a leader. Having completed their training as the largest group of applicants seen so far, the leaders were eager to work with their new Year 7 buddies. Their first task was to assist on Orientation Day in Week 8. It would be fair to say it was a thorough success.

Check out some of the training day photos from this awesome bunch of students!





# Jay Laga'aia visits Mudjee High

One of Australia's favourite entertainers and actors, Jay Laga'aia, recently came to Mudjee High and conducted a workshop with senior drama students.

Jay has an array of film, television and theatre credits to his name. His film credits include Nims Island, Daybreakers, Vincent Ward's, The Navigator and Star Wars. His television credits include Home and Away, Bed of Roses, Jay's Jungle, Street Legal, Water Rats, McLeod's Daughters, Legend Of The Seekers, Xena: Warrior Princess and Playschool.





# headspace Work and Study can help

## **Are you supporting young people who don't know what's next in their work or study journey after school?**

headspace Work and Study is a free online service delivered over the phone, webchat or video chat to support 15-25 year olds with planning and achieving their work and study goals. We can support young people you work with to identify post school options and to transition from school to employment, further study or training.

Our team is made up of Career Advisors as well as Mental Health Clinicians who can support young people with any mental health related barriers to their work and study.

### **We can help young people with:**

- Further education planning, course selection and enrolment
- Career, industry and labour market research
- Job seeking skills and tools
- Resume and job application support to find work
- Support starting work or further study
- Balancing mental health and wellbeing with work or study
- Navigating Centrelink and other government support options

### **To register:**

Young people can self-refer by clicking the button below or calling 1800 810 794. If you have any questions, feel free to call this number too.



**Website:** [headspace.org.au/workandstudy](https://headspace.org.au/workandstudy)





# SUMMER HOLIDAY

## ENGINEERING & ROBOTICS CAMP

### WONDER KIDZ

## MUDGEES HIGH SCHOOL

Eligibility	Date	Time	Enrolment Link	No. of Days	Fees
Yr 2 - 8	15/01/2021	09:00 to 03:00pm	<a href="http://www.trybooking.com/BNCDN">www.trybooking.com/BNCDN</a>	1	\$110

Go to this link to claim \$100 Creative Kids voucher:  
<https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/transaction/apply-creative-kids-voucher>

### Some of our activities include



**Engineering and Robotics Workshop:** This workshop provides theoretical knowledge in software and mechanical engineering combined with Mathematics and Science. This is a hands on workshop where the students will follow a design process and build a working machine using Lego®. They will also be able to program the machine to perform certain tasks.



**Electronics Workshop:** Students will also be exposed to Electronics components in this workshop. They will build various Electrical circuits using Sensors, LED, Motors etc. This will also involve the use of Renewable energy sources like Solar panels.



**Guided Projects:** Some of our projects can include: Smart Car, Smart Farm, Smart Home & Sanitation Station.



**Virtual Reality:** Students will dive into their own virtual space to explore different parts of the ancient and modern world. Only year 5 to 8 will go through Virtual Reality program.

Parents are requested to provide crunch & sip and lunch clearly labelled with the child's name.

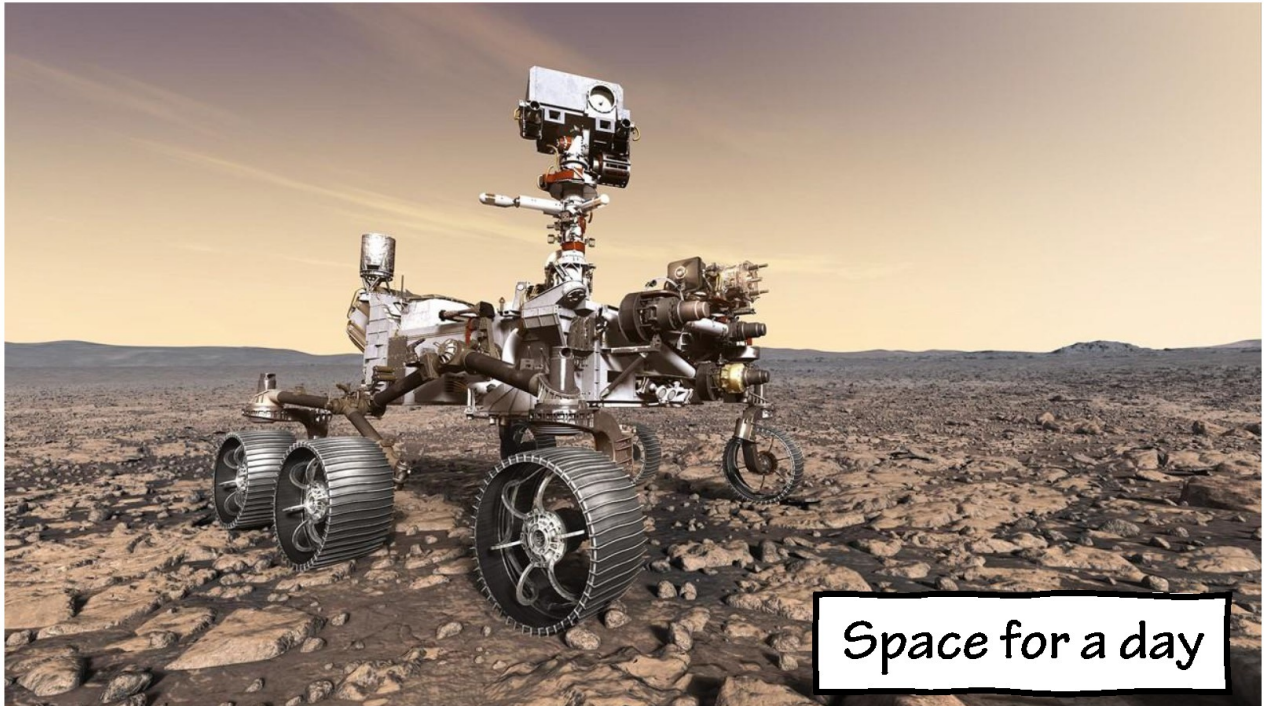
The students may also go through an outdoor activity. Please ensure the child has hat and sunscreen. We have a strict policy of "No hat no outdoor play".



For more information please call 0416 100 089

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Is your child fascinated about space? Do they want to have fun on Mars and build Mars rovers? Are they in Year 3 to Year 8?

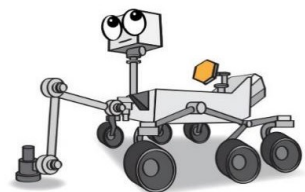
*One Giant Leap Australia Foundation is offering a whole day, practical workshop – designing Mars Rovers, completing robot challenges and learning about the mission to Mars.*

Location: Multi-purpose Hall, Charles Sturt University, Dubbo (see map)

Time: 8:30 am to 3:30 pm

Dates: 12<sup>th</sup> December

Price: \$ 140.00 +GST



**Register at:** <https://onegiantleapfoundation.com.au/space-for-a-day-dubbo/>

Limited numbers.

This is an approved Creative Kids program.

Use your \$ 100 Creative Kids voucher before 31<sup>st</sup> December.

Every child in NSW is entitled to a Creative Kids voucher –

<https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/campaign/creative-kids>





# House Championship 2020

Tally as at 2 December 2020  
Week 8 Term 4



<b>1st</b>	<b>Cunningham</b>	<b>173 650</b>
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<b>2nd</b>	<b>Blaxland</b>	<b>171 046</b>
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<b>3rd</b>	<b>Lawson</b>	<b>166 898</b>
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<b>4th</b>	<b>Wentworth</b>	<b>163 523</b>
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Blaxland: Surnames A to D

Cunningham: Surnames E to K (Leading by 2604 points)

Lawson: Surnames L to R

Wentworth: Surnames S to Z



# Advertisements

## Mudgee High School Canteen – Price List 2020

### Hot Food

Chicken and corn roll	2.00
Pizza rounds	3.00
Beef traveller pie	4.00
Curry chicken pie	4.50
Potato pie	4.50
Beef and gravy roll	5.00
Hot dog	3.50
Hot dog with cheese	4.00
Beef pie (gluten free) order only	4.50
Mayonnaise/sauce portions	0.30

### Rolls and Sandwiches

Can be made on gluten free rolls by request – order only.

Ham and salad	5.00
Egg and salad	5.00
Cheese and salad	5.00
Chicken, mayo and shallots	5.00
Chicken Caesar	5.00
Sweet chilli chicken and avocado	5.00
Salami, cheese and tomato	5.00

### Snack Food

Red Rock Deli chips	1.50
Grain Waves	1.50
Chip Roll	2.70
Choc Chip Muffin	1.50
Pear and raspberry bread	2.00
Blueberry Muffin	1.50
Watermelon tubs	2.50
Trail mix pots	2.50
Seasonal fruit	1.00

### Milk and Dairy

300ml Big M flavoured milk	2.50
500ml Dairy Farmer's Classic flavoured milk	4.00
600ml plain milk	2.00
500ml Dare flavoured milk	4.00
375ml Nippy's flavoured milk	3.50
Yoghurt – thick and creamy	2.50

### Cold Drinks

750ml Cool Ridge Spring Water	4.00
600ml Spring water	2.00
Assorted juice	3.50
600ml G2Gatorade (Citrus Blast or Raspberry)	4.00
600ml Pepsi Max	4.00
375ml Coke No Sugar	2.50
375ml Sprite No Sugar	2.50
500ml Chilli Aqua flavoured mineral water (no sugar)	4.00

### Ice Creams

Paddle Pop (chocolate, banana, rainbow)	1.60
Bulla frozen yoghurt (mango, strawberry)	2.50
Twisted frozen yoghurt (choc/van, Straw/van, mango/watermelon)	2.50
Lemonade Twist	1.20
Quech Icy Tubes	0.60
Mini Callipos	2.00

### Salad of the Day

Availability varies day-to-day

Curried chicken potato salad	7.50
Mexican chicken and guacamole salad	7.50
Greek salad	6.00
Pasta salad	6.00
Sushi	5.00
Fresh fruit salad	5.00
Garden salad	6.00
Chicken Caesar salad	6.00
Buddha bowl	7.50

**Nuts may be used in salads. If you have an allergy, check with canteen staff before ordering.**

### Everyday Daily Specials

#### Monday

Sweet chilli wrap (order only)	5.00
Garlic bread	2.00

#### Tuesday

Pizza sub	2.50
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#### Wednesday

Oven baked spiced potato wedges	2.50
Sour cream/Sweet chilli sauce	0.50

#### Thursday

Chicken burger (gluten free available – order only)	4.00
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#### Friday

Thai chicken roll/bowl (order only)	6.00
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### Changing Daily Specials

Check our daily menu board or student notices for other specials which may include:

Soup – Pasta – Focaccia – Turkish melts – Curries – Sliders



# Become a Foster Carer

Foster Carers are needed in your area more than ever before.

Whether you are giving a child a long-term home, or stepping in to help in a crisis, being a foster carer is a hugely rewarding experience.

If you have room in your heart and your home, please take the first step and contact Challenge Foster Care on 1800 084 954,

[fostercare@challengecommunity.org.au](mailto:fostercare@challengecommunity.org.au)

or visit our website [Challenge Community Services](https://www.challengecommunity.org.au) to find out more about becoming a Foster Carer.



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 **CHALLENGE**  
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# EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITIES



CSESoc CompClub provides a variety of free workshops on campus and at high schools!

After an amazing year of events, CompClub is coming back for the summer to host our annual Summer School! This year, our theme is Hack to the Future.

Students will be exposed to a week-long summer school with each day covering different aspects of computing. Fun activities and prize goodies are in store for the best participants in Summer School. We will dive into some exceptional workshops that will ready you to explore the future of technology (or your future in technology)!

All high school students (Years 7-12) are welcome! Whether you're a beginner, intermediate, expert or pro, Hack to The Future has something for everyone!

**Cost: Free**

**Location: Virtual, via Zoom**

**When: Monday 11th January to Friday 15th January**

**Time: 10 am to 3 pm**

**Equipment: Your passion, Internet and a computer!**

You are welcome to take part in as many of the workshops as you like, so make sure to register for each workshop you want to take part in.

To apply for a place at Hack to the Future please [click here](#). Please submit your application for consideration, before Sunday 28th December 2020, and we will contact you to confirm your place within one week of the closing date.

## **Classes:**

### **Day 1 - Introduction to Python**

We begin with a gentle introduction to programming in Python, one of the most popular and favoured languages for beginners. For experts already acquainted with Python however, we have additional challenges to test your abilities to the extreme.

### **Day 2 - Game Development**

It's the year 3030, and a certain video-based mobile application has taken over the world. Under this oppressive reign, the world is torn in two, and every executive decision is made with a quirky dance.

But perhaps you can change this. From your pod underground, perhaps you can program a way to beam a dance to the surface and reclaim the world.

Are you ready to begin the dance dance revolution and bring down the system?

Develop your Javascript skills through the p5 library and learn the basics of game development as you build a rhythm game with sliding arrows and interactive gameplay!

### **Day 3 - Artificial Intelligence and Data**

Do you want to see how computers can help make decisions in our everyday life? Do you want to witness the power of data, trends, and algorithms?

This beginner-friendly workshop will introduce you to the mind-blowing possibilities of Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning! Get ready to untangle the big brain terminology as you learn about the important concepts behind the scenes of AI, get a taste of data analysis, and code up your own music recommendation bot!



## Day 4 - Bash: Command Line Tools

Tune into this workshop to start learning how to work and produce code with greater efficiency and ease. You will learn the tips and tricks of working with Linux Shells including basic file management, scripting, and file operations. If you're tired of typing long commands or your username and password repeatedly, or even if you just want to look cool, then this workshop is for you!

## Day 5 - Cyber Security

Are you looking to learn how to hijack your friends computer? Unfortunately we wont be teaching that.

Instead we will be undertaking a top secret, inter-galactical mission! Learn about online security, passwords, encryption, and some special tips and tricks to help us uncover what is amiss in this space-time abyss!

See you in school Future Hackers,  
CompClub

## Teaching someone to drive?

Mid-Western Regional Council is partnering with Transport for NSW to deliver a **FREE online information session** to parents and guardians teaching someone how to drive this summer. The program is called Helping Learner Drivers Become Safer Drivers.

The presentation will offer practical advice and information about the Graduated Licensing Scheme, its log book requirements and useful tips on being a supervising driver.

The session will be delivered **via Zoom** on Thursday 10 December 2020 starting at 6pm.

Registrations can be made online at <https://www.trybooking.com/BMALZ>

To find out more, please call Council on 6378 2850.

Samantha Cecchini (pronounced *cha-kee-nee*) Wednesday - Friday

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Mudgee**

**Call 13 20 50**

**When**

**14<sup>th</sup> November 2020  
to  
28<sup>th</sup> January 2021**



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Book your free mammogram online at [book.breastscreen.nsw.gov.au](https://book.breastscreen.nsw.gov.au) or call 13 20 50.**



# NEW YEAR NEW JOB?

Are you looking for a fresh start in 2021? Do you want to work for a family owned company that empowers and encourages its staff?

In 2021 Joss Facility Management are looking for cleaning staff to work at local Government sites across regional NSW. At Joss we value our diverse and committed workforce and we are regularly recruiting for cleaning positions across NSW.

PPE, Training and Uniforms provided.

Applicants need to provide a valid Working With Children Check upon application and successful applicants will be required to undertake a pre-employment medical prior to commencement.

Please contact Joss Facility Management via email on [careers@jossgroup.com.au](mailto:careers@jossgroup.com.au)



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