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Newsletter

"RELATIONSHIPS ARE BASED ON MUTUAL RESPECT"

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HSC 2 UNIT DANCE EXAM



From left to right: Tia Perry & Tori Sullivan preparing for their upcoming HSC 2 Unit Dance exam.



Macksville High School (MHS) HSC 2 Unit Dance students Sarah Romruen, Tori Sullivan & Tia Perry have been working hard to perfect their dance performance for external examiners who will be visiting MHS from Sydney on the 19 August. They will be marked on their performance and composition as well as three oral exams of up to nine minutes on their knowledge of the anatomy, bio mechanics of movement, how to develop technique, performance quality and understanding of composition process.

In addition the dancers need to choreograph their own performance under the guidance of their Dance Teacher, Mrs Morrison who has worked tirelessly with them to perfect their routines. We are very proud of them and are sure they will do exceptionally well.

From The Principal

I am pleased to report that the new Language Centre is open and has been welcomed by Mrs Gilliland and our Indonesian students. There is still some minor works to be done to the covered walkway and some settling into new routines to be worked through. On Friday morning staff are having morning tea in the room and looking over the facility. The new room has created some timetable changes in regards to room allocations. The associated work that included some room upgrades, new front entrance and electronic school sign are also completed. When driving by, check out the electronic message board on the wall at the front gate.

I have had several queries about the lateness of reports being issued. We do plan early Term 3 distribution to allow staff to utilise as much of Term 2 as possible prior to reporting and I am committed to providing a quality report which means at times corrections take more time than anticipated. We have parent-teacher night coming up and I encourage you to attend. I am considering the use of a web based booking system so that parents and their children can make bookings from home. If required, a call to the school office can be made to make a booking, if on-line facilities are not available. Other schools who have already implemented this process are reporting very positive results. I would be interested in your opinion and will be available to speak with you at parent-teacher evening, the next P&C meeting or give me a call.

HSC major projects and performances are soon to be examined. I recently spent time with Mr Ally and his Industrial Technology Wood students. They have been working overtime after school and on weekends and are all very proud of their achievements. I look forward to seeing their completed projects.

Paul Holding
 PRINCIPAL

IMPORTANT DATES

- Aug. 16—27 Yr12—Trial HSC—Stadium**
 16..... Yr- 12 Parent/Teacher 4-6pm-stadium
 17—19..... Agquip—Gunnedah
 18—19..... Teen Dental Health—Yr9 at Mks HS
 18—19..... Zoosnooze—Yr7—Taronga Zoo
 19..... 8.30am—Yr12 Dance HSC prac. Exam
 19—20..... Buckley Shield goes to Morrisett
 23—26..... Yr11 Dive—South West Rocks
 24..... Presentation Assembly—Presentation of
 Certificates for Sem. 1 at 10.35 in Stadium
24..... P & C Meeting—Library 6.30pm
 25..... HSC Industrial Tech. marking
 27..... School Golf Day—Nambucca Heads
 28..... Tournament of the Minds at MHS
Sept. 1..... HSC Drama Marking
 2..... Musical Matinee—11.00am
 2..... U/16 Basketball—Port Macquarie
 3..... Musical Night Performance—6.00pm
 6..... Musical—Matinee—11.00am
 7..... Formal Assembly in Stadium
 8..... Musical Matinee—11.00am
 9..... Yr7 Immunisation—Hall
 10—11 Musical Night Performance—6.00pm
13—14..... Yr10 Trial School Cert. in Stadium
16—23..... Yr11 Yearly Exams
 17..... Yr 7 Sport Day
23..... Yr12 Formal Assembly
 24..... Last day Term 3
Oct. 11..... Term 4 begins—all students attend school

YEAR 8 PRINCIPAL TROPHIES



As part of the recent Formal Assembly Year 8 students and one Year 7 student received Principal's Trophies for their outstanding achievement, hard work and dedication to their studies. To receive this award students must receive at least two Gold Awards and have been recommended to the Principal.

The following Year 8 students received their trophy: Brady Buchanan, Deanna Buckley, Brooke Caruana-Taylor, Sandie Grant-McDonnell, Claire Harmer, Georgia Hoffman, Andrew Knox, Tess Lewis, Stuart Mason, Frankie McKay, Emma Mulvihill, Brooke Pedrola, Megan Porter, Ruby Porter, Keely Salter, Conner Seaman, Elizabeth Smith, Alina Tape, Lance Williams and also Harry Mitchell (pictured with Mr Holding) the only Year 7 student to reach this level of achievement.

IMPRESSIVE FRONT ENTRANCE, SCHOOL SIGN & LANGUAGE CENTRE



After months of construction and anticipation Macksville High School now has a wonderful new Language Centre with students eager to get in, have a look and start lessons.

We are very lucky to have such a wonderful addition to our school which has been very much wanted for some time. Out the front I am sure you would have noticed our new impressive front gates and electronic sign. The sign will provide information about upcoming events and is a fantastic way to provide information to the community – keep an eye out for it.



If you would like to view the new facilities or just come and have a tour of the school please feel free to contact the office on 65681066.



NVEST!!

Nambucca Valley Education, Skills & Trades Event

North Coast Institute of TAFE & North Coast Youth Career Connections

in partnership with Nambucca Shire Council & Nambucca Vehicle Body Manufacturing Cluster

Invite you to an information evening on Wednesday, 15 September, 2010 at

Nambucca Shire Council Chambers, Princess Street, Macksville at 6.30 – 7.30 pm.



Our local industries continue to experience difficulties sourcing suitable applicants for manufacturing, construction and allied trades. The NVEST partnership is planning an Information evening to: highlight to youth and other potential employees the benefits of obtaining a trade and working locally; market trades opportunities to parents and prospective trainees/apprentices by providing information about specific trades, training and skills requirements, employment and career opportunities; provide information on how to choose a trade and a career pathway with a local employer and the support available to achieve successful outcomes.

This is an industry-led initiative intended to achieve real outcomes – including sourcing “right fit” candidates and offering real jobs via a traineeship, apprenticeship or job opportunity at the NVEST September event. **For more information, please contact Helen Mower – Program Coordinator Nambucca Valley office** Phone 0265 684 614 -or- 040968106

NEW LANGUAGE CENTRE



At left: Alfiva and Mutala performing for students

Monday, 9 August 2010 was an historic Day for students and myself who enjoyed being in our new building. Year 12 students enjoyed cooking and eating chicken satays and rice for lunch on the new veranda (see pic.) Then in the afternoon junior students were given the opportunity to watch and participate in a performance of Indonesian Dance by Alfiva and Mutala (visiting dance teachers).

A busy and happy day was had by all. I would like to thank our Principal, Mr Paul Holding for his perseverance and support with the BER Project, so we could have such a terrific new building.

Lee Gilliland



TERM 3 IS A BUSY TIME FOR YEAR 12 STUDENTS



Term 3 is a very busy time for Yr 12 students. As well as finding the energy and "stick-at-it-ness" for trial exams and assessment, it is a critical time for those applying to University.

Students received their UAC books in week 2 and there has been a steady stream of them my office since. Attendance at the Coffs Harbour Post Secondary Options Day was also up this year. Those interested in Queensland Universities need to be buying a QTAC book from the newsagents.

The next very important meeting will be on during their trials. All students who are applying to University should be applying for one of the Principal's recommendation schemes at CSU, SCU or UNE. Whether these schemes are a first choice or a safety net they are valuable. Students can also apply for consideration of disadvantage under the Educational Access Scheme. Each year our school does very well with these early offers. Students must attend one of three meetings during their trials to do the paperwork.

I would encourage those students who are looking for apprenticeships to go the NVEST meeting at the Council Chambers on Sept 15. This will be an excellent opportunity to meet local employers who are telling us that they have skills' shortages.

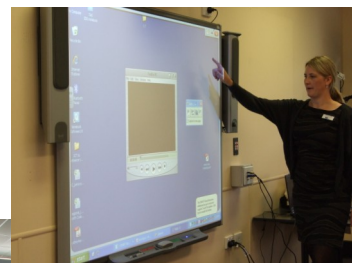
Don't hesitate to call me on 6568 1066 to answer any questions

Celestine Porter-Burns - Careers Adviser

PHOTOS FROM TERM 3 DEVELOPMENT DAY

.....Approximately 90 teachers attended the day, travelling long distances to participate. Various workshops were held including the use of interactive whiteboards, a fantastic tool for teachers to engage students.

These enable teachers to download and create lessons, add images and play videos. You can operate your entire computer on a huge screen in the class room simply with the touch of a finger or a specially designed pen.....



CANTEEN ROSTER

AUGUST

Mon.	16	S Compton, R Aitken
Tues.	17	H Jaeger, C Osgood
Wed.	18	Helper Needed
Thurs.	19	D Jackson, J Martin
Fri.	20	G Welsh, A Booker

Mon.	23	S Compton, R Aitken
Tues.	24	J Ward, Helpers Needed
Wed.	25	Helpers Needed
Thurs.	26	J Beggs, Helpers Needed
Fri.	27	G Welsh, Helpers Needed
Mon.	30	S Compton, R Aitken

Charles Sturt University - New Program Furthers Careers

For those with an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander background who are interested in attending university, Charles Sturt University has launched a new program which will make the university experience more attainable. CSR's Indigenous Student Services has introduced a new skills assessment program called Darrambal. For more information call CSR on 1800 611 248 or email iss@csr.edu.au.

For information on courses offered at CSR call 1800 334 733.

NAMBUCCA & DISTRICT LITTLE ATHLETICS

Little Athletics is a uniquely Australian sport for children aged 5-16 years. Nambucca District Little Athletics would like to invite all those interested to a registration night on Friday 27 August 2010 from 4.30pm at EJ Biffin Fields Nambucca Heads.

If it is your child's first registration or they have had a season off, you will need to produce proof of age (birth certificate, passport or blue book). Registration fees for the 2010/2011 season have been set at \$60 for first child, \$50 each for second and third child, \$200 for family of four and tots \$50. We offer young children activities and skills that will stand them in good stead for their sporting future.

Our weekly competition nights commence on Friday 17 September and provide fun through participation in an enjoyable sport, with friends in the same age group.

Parents are encouraged to be involved as voluntary helpers or officials each Friday, so they can share in the many experiences with their children. Little Athletics is all about "Family, Fun & Fitness", but if you are unsure about becoming part of Nambucca Little Athletics why not come down for a trial night and see for yourself at EJ Biffin Fields on Friday 3 September or Friday 10 September from 4.30pm. For further information contact Lee Pedrola on 0447650024.

Notices

Have you seen these cameras?



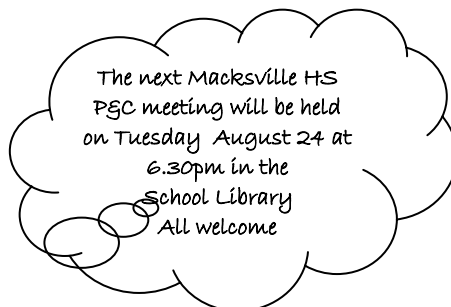
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A reward is offered for the return of these cameras stolen from the Photography storeroom on the 27th July.

Please see Mr Sheridan in the TAS staffroom



The next Macksville HS
PSC meeting will be held
on Tuesday August 24 at
6.30pm in the
School Library
All welcome

STUARTS POINT LITTLE ATHLETICS

Stuarts Point Little Athletics will be holding a training afternoon on August 19, from 4pm at Stuarts Point oval.

Everyone welcome. We look forward to seeing many faces from last year and would love to see some new ones too.

Come and give Little Athletics a go!

SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE and SUPPORT STAFF NATIONAL RECOGNITION WEEK 16-20 AUGUST

The theme for Recognition Week is "SAS staff....keeping schools afloat". SAS staff face new challenges every day and are constantly adapting to change.

This week is an opportunity to thank all of our SAS staff for their hard work and dedication and recognise them for the vital role they play in assisting teachers to provide a quality education to your students.

YARRAHAPINNI FESTIVAL - STUARTS POINT PROGRAM

Friday 27th

9:30am Small Schools Art Spectacular
– at Stuarts Point School. Everyone welcome.
Supported by Dymocks Arapala Macadamia Farm.

6.00pm Opening of Festival and Art & Craft Show

– Mayor John Bowell at the Community Hall
– Tickets \$10. Refreshments served.

Stuarts Point Players present *The Apple*
Saturday 28th (at the Oval)

8.30am Car Boot Sale CWA Cake Competition

– time to deliver entries

9.00am Jumping Castle & Pony Rides

10.00am Classic Cars and Motorbikes display

Art & Craft Show (Community Hall) – open all day – gold coin admission

11.00am Country Energy Thai Finger Food
– cooking lesson

12noon Rural Fire Brigade – bush fire control display

Skateboard & BMX competition and display
1.00pm Pet Show

Thong Throwing Championships

6.00pm Op Shop Ball & Dinner (at the Club)
– entertainment by Richie Gudgeon. Tickets \$20.

Sunday 29th (by the River)

8.00am Festival Riverside Markets

9.00am Yarrahapinni Walkers Festival Riverwalk

– approx one hour; meet at the Hall

Jumping Castle & Pony Rides

10.00am Art & Craft Show (Community Hall)

– open all day – gold coin admission

Troppo Bob (first show – three more follow)

10.00am – and throughout the morning –

Displays of Tae Kwon-do, Belly Dancing,

Balinese and Javanese Dancing

11.00am Country Energy Bush Tucker cooking

– with chef Clayton Donovan of The Jaaning Tree

12noon Music by the River

– eight bands, duos & soloists!

Sponsored by Charter Refrigerated Transport

5.00pm Festival closes

6.30pm Draw of Festival raffles (at the Club)