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NEWSLETTER

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"Students see that their learning matters"

IMPORTANT DATES

Aug	
13 - 24	Yr12 Trial Exams - Stadium
20	Parent Teacher Night - Yrs 7 & 8, 3.30-6.00pm
27	Musical Dress Rehearsal
28	P & C Meeting, 6.30pm - Hosp. T12
29	Y12 Engineering - Coffs Aero Club
31	Musical - Henry, 7.00pm - Hall
Sept	
5-6	Zoosnooze - Taronga Zoo - Sydney
6	Musical - Henry, 7.00pm - Hall
7	Musical - Henry, 7.00pm - Hall
10-20	Year 11 Exams
13	Year 7 Immunisations
20	Year 12 Assembly - 9.30am
24-05	Spring Holidays
Oct	
15-8	Higher School Certificate Exams
23	P & C Meeting, 6.30pm - Hosp. T12
29-02	Year 10 Exams
Nov	
05-09	Year 7 & 8 Exams
12-06	Year 9 Exams

Thank You....

I would like to take this opportunity while Peter Vernon is still in the role of Relieving Principal at Macksville High to thank him for his efforts over the past 12 months. The energy and experience he brought to the role has contributed to our students and staff continuing to experience a very positive school life. In particular his ability to manage a very complex school context with limited settling in time has been impressive. His last day will be Friday 10th August. He will then return to Nambucca Heads High School as Relieving Principal on the following Monday. On behalf of our school community I would like to thank Peter and wish him all the best in the future. I hope you take the opportunity over the next week to stop and thank him personally.

I am looking forward to returning on Monday, 13th August. My experience working in the North Coast leadership Centre has been a very rewarding one. During the 12 months I have been in this role I led a great team that delivered the North Coast Quality Teaching Conference to 500 teachers, coordinated the North Coast Principals Conference, and had over 500 teachers and office staff participate in leadership training events. I would like to take this opportunity to thank my school community for allowing me to take this opportunity. It's been a great experience, I have learnt a lot of new skills and will come back with enthusiasm to get straight back into leading the best school on the North Coast.

Paul Holding
Principal



CANTEEN ROSTER - JUNE

Monday	13	S Crompton
Tuesday	14	Help Needed
Wednesday	15	H Jaeger
Thursday	16	D Jackson
Friday	17	G Welsh
Monday	20	S Crompton
Tuesday	21	Help Needed
Wednesday	22	Help Needed
Thursday	23	J Beggs
Friday	24	G Welsh

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Attention: Parents and Carers
If you have a new email address
or have changed your old one please let us know
via macksville-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Legacy Public Speaking Competition

This is a state wide competition sponsored by the Legacy organisation. It encourages students to become great public speakers. On Monday, 30th July Elizabeth Argue from Year 8 and Zoe Baines from Year 7 represented Macksville High School at the Mid North Coast Zone Finals. This was held at Coffs Harbour High School.

Both students spoke with passion and eloquence, Zoe's speech was on social media and Elizabeth's on the impact of technology on our lives.

The adjudicator, Mrs O'Donnell, complimented both students on their speeches. Elizabeth was the competition winner and will now speak at the state semi-finals in Sydney.



Left: Zoe Baines & Elizabeth Argue



Right: Competition participants

Netball 15's State Knock Out

Macksville High School competed in two games last Tuesday and won both games convincingly against Wauchope and Melville High Schools.

They have moved into the 3rd round of the 15's State Knockout and now play against Westport High School, we wish them the best of luck.

(Back row) Alina Tape, Mandisa Bonnett, Peta Salter, Kelly Taylor, Megan Porter (Front row) Georgie Craven, Ruby Porter, Angelica Marquardt & Deanna Buckley



Jessica Howe - Year 12 - tops NSW & ACT in ICAS Writing exam



Macksville High School was proudly informed that Jessica Howe, a Year 12 student who participated in the 2012 International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS) Writing exam, had achieved the top score in NSW & ACT. This prestigious, worldwide competition is the largest independent assessment program for schools in the world, with over 20 countries participating each year.

Jessica has worked consistently to refine her writing skills resulting in this excellent achievement. As part of her preparation for the Higher School Certificate Jessica said, "I practised writing long and creative responses to a wide variety of questions and I've spent time discussing character descriptions with other senior English students prior to this exam and this has really helped me."

These fantastic results are a reflection of Jess' ability, talent and unwavering commitment. Thus having set her sights high, we eagerly await her progress toward achieving her dream of studying Law and Business at university.

Education Week Awards 2012



The Nambucca Valley Community of Public Schools held a special Education Week Awards night on the 3rd August 2012. Selected staff, students and community members were recognised for their contribution and dedication to public education. This event was hosted by Frank Partridge VC Public School with a delicious light supper being provided with the assistance of Bowraville Central School for all of the guests on the night.



This year's nominees to represent Macksville High School for 2012 are community member, Jane Martin for her ongoing support of the school in particular her assistance with the school cattle team, staff member, Lynette Howle, for her outstanding school and community support and student, Jessica Howe, for her excellent academic, sporting and ongoing community service to her school. Congratulations goes out to all who received awards on this night.



(left) Macksville High School 2012 representatives Jane Martin, Peter Vernon, Principal (Relieving) & Lynette Howle.

(above) Jessica Howe receiving her award from Robyn O'Neill, School Education Director.

From our Principal

Year 12 should be in the final preparation stages of study for their Trial HSC exams which begin on Monday week. Following this there is a final four weeks of revision and study before they leave school and prepare for the HSC exams. This is a stressful period for both students and families, we wish you strength.

Great to see the excellent performance of the Open Boys' Rugby League team that won at home last week to progress to the final 10 teams in the University Shield competition. They are off to Tamworth to play Farrer Ag High which are a consistently top performer. We wish them well.

Finally,

This week sees the end of my year long tenure as Relieving Principal at Macksville High. Paul Holding will be returning to his role here and I am returning to Nambucca Heads High as Relieving Principal.

I have built up many strong relationships with students, staff and parents during the year and it will be a sad moment when I walk out of the front gates for the last time. Thank you to all the people that have spared the time to get to know me and help me whilst I have been here, I really appreciate it.



Macksville Open Rugby League blitz West Wallsend 74 points to 10

Last Wednesday the Macksville High School Open Boys' Rugby League team were more than a match for West Wallsend who travelled all the way from the Newcastle area to compete in the University Shield.

It was an all-round team effort with some outstanding players including Jimi Allan with 1 try and 11 goals, 2 tries each from Daneil Donovan, Tim Worthing & Beau Saville and 1 try from Damien Carriage, Jimi Allan, Chris Buckley, Mitch Liebe, Braydan Johnson, Billy Hennessey and Jordan Sheather. They now head to Tamworth to play Farrer Agricultural High School and we wish them a great game.



Tim Worthing try



Jimi Allan kicks another goal



Joe Borg on the run



(above) Damien Carriage



(above) Keith Donovan (left)
Daniel Donovan and (right)
Jordan Sheather in full flight



Henry: the Musical



By Simon Denver and Ian Dorricott

7PM Macksville High School Hall



Showing Dates:

31st August

6th September

7th September

\$10 a ticket

Cast list

King Henry the Eighth– Charlie Porter

Archbishop of Canterbury– Tavis Hall

Slacko the Unfunny– Claire Harmer

The King above Parr– Max Vernon

The Queen above Parr– Tatijana Harnos-Jamieson

- Captain– Sarah Muller
- Lieutenant (Soldier 1)– Katerina Brown
- Soldier 2– Jessica Key
- Soldier 3– Jennifer McMullen-Halverson
- Soldier 4– Emily Cooper

Queen Catherine below Parr– Courtney Beaumont

- Lady 1– Jessica Key
- Lady 2– Carlie Halverson

Queen Jane Seymour– Natasha-Jane Paul

- Lady 1– Sarah Nugent
- Lady 2– Nicole Welsh

Queen Catherine Howard– Breanna Minisini

- Lady 1– Sophia Coia
- Lady 2– Evie Smith

Queen Ann Bowlin?– Mareesa Brunsdon

- Lady 1– Frankie McKay (Chronicler)
- Lady 2– Kiara Johnston

Queen Catherine of Arrogance– Lydia Witte

- Lady 1– Raina Schmidt
- Lady 2– Lizzie Smith

Soon to be Queen Anne of Cloves– Tess Lewis

- Lady 1– Emma Mulvihill (Commentator)
- Lady 2– Keely Salter (Commentator)

The Wizard of the Wand, Raymond– Sam Armes

Sir Thomas– Sam Armes

Sir Sydney– Kyle Lopez (Hairdresser, Actor Henry)

Sir Robin– Zimba Ahmed (Hairdresser)

Sir Roger– Jye Perkins (Hairdresser)

Sir Simon– Caleb Ratana (Hairdresser, Cantor)

Queen to be Executed– Sarah Nugent

*Tickets can be purchased
from the front office
at Macksville High
School and collected
from the Library.*



“ATTENTION YEARS 7 & 8”

The next **Parent Teacher Interview night** will be held on

20 August 2012, 3.30pm – 6.00pm - MHS Stadium

“BOOKINGS ARE OPEN”

Book School Interviews Online

Parents...

Booking interviews is as easy as 1 - 2 - 3:

Please go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au or following the link through our schools website - www.macksville-h.schools.nsw.edu.au.

ENTER TO SCHOOL EVENT CODE: **VK4N2**

THEN



First enter your name, your student's name(s), and your email address.



On the next page, pick the teachers you want to meet.
First select the subject or year, then choose from the list of teachers.



Then you'll see a timetable showing when your chosen teachers are available. Simply click on the times that suit you.

When you have finished, your interview timetable will be emailed to you. And if something comes up, you can return to the site and change your interview times whenever you want.

If you require assistance or are unable to book online, please do not hesitate to contact the office to make your bookings – 02-65681066.

Stuarts Point **FESTIVAL PROGRAM** August 24-25-26

Sponsored by



Charter
REFRIGERATED TRANSPORT

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ARAPALA
MACADAMIA FARM

Friday 24th



- 9am Small Schools Science Spectacular
– at Stuarts Point Public School – all welcome
- 6pm Opening of Festival and Art & Craft Show
– Mayor Liz Campbell at the Community Hall
– Tickets \$10 – refreshments served
Stuarts Point Players present *Dear Edwina* preview

Saturday 25th – at the Oval

- 8am Car Boot Sale – ring 6569 0246 after 8pm to book
CWA Cake Competition – deliver entries
- 9am Local Markets, Alternative Health Fair
Jumping Castle, Pony Rides, Animal Farm
Free Rollin' Skate Program (5-12 years)
- 9.30 Cake Competition Judging
Register for skating comp – until 11.30
- 10am Classic Cars and Motorbikes display
Art & Craft Show in the Community Hall
– open all day – gold coin admission
- 10.30 Chalk Art Competition at school – judged 12.30
- 11am Rural Fire Brigade – bush fire control display
- 11.30 Cake Auction
- noon Skateboard, Scooter & BMX competition
- 1pm Pet Show – register your pet at 12.30
Thong Throwing Championships
Talent Quest – on the school outdoor stage
- 6pm Op Shop Ball & Dinner at the Workers Club
– entertainment by *The Roys* – tickets \$25



Sunday 26th – at the River



- 8am Festival Riverside Markets – at the river
Funkya@Unkya Markets – at Unkya Reserve
- 9am Yarrahapinni Walkers Riverwalk – meet at Hall
Vote for Best Photograph – at Holiday Park
Jumping Castle & Pony Rides
- 10am Art & Craft Show in the Community Hall
Exhibitions of Tae Kwon-do, Zumba, Belly Dancing, Mahjong
- 11am Ride-on Mower Racing – alongside the Workers Club
- 11.30 SWR Surf Life Saving Club Jet Skis & IRB – boat ramp
- 12.00 Troppo Bob Magic Show – first of several shows

Music on the River sponsored by **Charter** REFRIGERATED TRANSPORT

- 12.00 DJ Muzshroom
- 12.30 Parramatta Grass
- 1.00 Madelyn Lardner
- 1.30 Shipwrecked
- 2.00 Black Beard & Red Elvis
- 2.30 Soulsa
- 3.00 DJ Muzshroom
- 3.30 Mudlarks
- 4.00 Jess's Blues
- 4.30 Stinky Cheese



- 5pm Festival closes
- 6pm Drawing of Festival Raffles – at the Workers Club

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IT'S SUMMER IT HAS TO BE CRICKET WITH YOUR FRIENDS

This summer we're looking for the next generation of bowlers, batters and catchers. There's lots of ways you can get involved in cricket with your local club, association or indoor centre.

Sign up now with your local club or find out more at...

playcricket.com.au

Final FREE Healthy Homes Sustainable Living Workshops Program 2012

Bookings Essential

LAST CHANCE

Green Cleaning	Save on Power Bills	Know Your Weeds	Stop Food Waste	Shop Sustainably
Macksville: 6.00pm, Tuesday 7 August Nambucca Heads: 10.30am, Wednesday 8 August Valla Beach: 6.00pm, Wednesday 10 October	Macksville: 6.00pm, Tuesday 21 August Nambucca Heads: 10.30am, Wednesday 22 August Valla Beach: 6.00pm, Wednesday 15 August	Macksville: 6.00pm, Tuesday 4 September Nambucca Heads: 10.30am, Wednesday 5 September Valla Beach: 6.00pm, Wednesday 29 August	Nambucca Heads: 10.00am, Saturday 8 September	Macksville: 6.00pm, Tuesday 2 October Nambucca Heads: 10.30am, Wednesday 3 October Valla Beach: 6.00pm, Wednesday 26 September

All workshops are free with refreshments and giveaways provided. We encourage you to attend the whole workshop series at your convenient location:

Macksville Tennis Club
Walter Munro Place & Partridge Street, Macksville

Nambucca Heads Entertainment Centre
Small Hall, Ridge Street, Nambucca Heads

Valla Beach Community Hall
Valla Beach Road, Valla Beach (next to Preschool)

FREE

WORKSHOPS

Testimonials:

"Really enjoyable course packed with information at every level by knowledgeable and friendly people."
Mylestom resident

"Great workshops, good presenters, interesting topics."
Sawtell resident

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School Notices:

CANTEEN HELPERS NEEDED

CAN YOU SPARE A FEW HOURS BETWEEN 9.00AM – 2.00PM ONCE A FORTNIGHT, MONTHLY OR EVEN OCCASIONALLY WHEN NEEDED (LUNCH WILL BE PROVIDED).

CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS ARE GIVEN A \$7 VOUCHER PER CHILD/GRANDCHILD WHENEVER THEY VOLUNTEER TO BE VALID FOR THAT DAY.

IF YOU CAN HELP OUT PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO CONTACT ROZ IN THE CANTEEN ON 65681066.

For Sale - MACKSVILLE HIGH SCHOOL 16GIG THUMB DRIVES ONLY \$15.00. SEE DESLIE HOWE.

ABSENTEE LETTERS

Students are now to bring these letters and place them in a box located on the student counter at the front office.

Please do not hand them to your roll call Teacher.

NOTE TO PARENTS

It would be appreciated when writing notes for your students, e.g. passouts or absentee, that you write your student's full name, year they are in and the date. Thank you for your co-operation in this regard.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON HOMEWORK CENTRE IS OPEN!

Don't forget Homework Centre will continue this year; it operates every Tuesday afternoon in C1. Teachers will be in attendance to assist with all homework/assignments or any tutoring needs.

No need to make a booking just bring your work and get a head start 3.15pm - 5.00pm. Please see Mrs Mendham (Maths) if you have any enquiries.

SCHOOL FEES

Just a reminder that school fees can be paid at the front office between 8.30am and 3.30pm and can be paid by either cheque or eftpos. Voluntary Contributions are voluntary and payment is a matter for decision by parents/guardians.

We do point out that these voluntary contributions enhance the schools' educational and sporting programs and are greatly appreciated. Any problems with payments please phone the front office on 65681066.

If parents/guardians are having difficulty paying school fees, Student Assistance is available. Please collect a form from the school office.

Community Notices:

Nambucca District Little Athletics and Seniors Club 2012 - 2013 registration dates at 4.30pm

REGO NIGHT: WEDNESDAY 22ND OF AUGUST 2012
1ST TRIAL AND REGO NIGHT WEDNESDAY 29TH OF AUGUST 2012 - 2ND REGO AND TRIAL NIGHT WEDNESDAY 5TH OF SEPTEMBER 2012.

1ST COMP NIGHT WEDNESDAY 12TH OF SEPTEMBER 2012
LAST COMP NIGHT 27TH OF MARCH 2013

FEES

TINY TOTS \$60.00
1ST CHILD \$65.00
2ND AND 3RD CHILD \$55.00
FAMILY \$210.00

VENUE: WEDNESDAY EVENINGS AT 4.30PM AT EJ BIFFIN PLAYING FIELDS NAMBUCCA HEADS.

40 HOUR FAMINE

Macksville High School will join together to support the 40 Hour Famine from 17-19 August. One of Australia's biggest youth events that each year inspires a new generation of young people to help break the cycle of poverty. Contact Ms Garland at recess or lunch in the English staff room to register.

MASSIVE SKATE COMP

25th August 2012
Joe Donovan Field

FREEROLLIN' WORKSHOP
FOR ADULTS AND BEGINNERS.
9am - 11am

freerollin'



GREAT PRIZES
FOR ALL CATEGORIES
PLUS
BEST OVERALL
REGISTRATION
11:30am - 12:30pm
SKATE COMP
12:30pm - 4:00pm
CATEGORIES
12 & Under
16 & Under
Opens

Please notify staff in the school office (6568 1066) of any changes to your contact details or to the contact details of other people nominated as emergency contacts