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THE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER OF THE ARMIDALE SCHOOL

Wednesday 19 July, 2017 Term 3 Week 1

HEADMASTER, MURRAY GUEST

Welcome back to all students, staff and families after what I hope has been an enjoyable and refreshing holiday break. We begin the term with more growth in enrolments and I particularly welcome the 14 new students who begin their time at TAS this week, along with three exchange students who will spend Term 3 with us. As might be expected, this growth brings new record enrolments and this is both healthy for our school as a whole and very encouraging.

Over the final week of the holiday break TAS hosted another very successful Forensic Science Camp and staff heard the very encouraging reports on the camp at our staff meeting on Monday. FSC, now in its 20th year at TAS, is our premier academic co-curricular event and draws some of the most talented Year 8 students from across the East of the country. The camp which was coordinated this year by Mr Luke Polson and Ms Alice Hudson attracted the largest number of TAS students seen thus far and showed that the attraction of real challenge is not limited to physical activities. Whilst Luke and Alice oversaw the camp, it is largely a student led event and I particularly congratulate Year 10 student Henry O'Neil who managed his second FSC with maturity and skill beyond his years.



Staffing Announcements

As the new term and semester begin we welcome back our chaplain Richard Newton who has been on leave for the past six months volunteering at the Agape Home for children living with HIV in Northern Thailand. Richard has spent that time with his family developing the English language program at Agape that offers those children the promise of real advantage in a life that has begun with such limitations. Richard's example of initiative and generosity of spirit will be an inspiration for our students and staff alike and I am sure that many are looking forward to hearing about his experiences.

Mr Michael Holland is taking leave this term to be with his family in Brisbane. As many will already know, Michael's daughter Lucy (Year 3) is suffering from Leukaemia and has recently undergone a bone marrow transplant. I am pleased to report that Lucy is making good progress in her recovery from that significant procedure and I know that all the Holland family are in our collective thoughts and prayers. In Michael's absence his classes this term are being taken by Mr Marshall Ross who has been working with us in recent times and Michael's responsibilities in boarding are being overseen by the Deputy Headmaster.

TAS Rifle Team

As I write our 1st and 2nd VIII shooting teams are preparing for the second day of the GPS Championships at Hornsby Rifle Range. Our shooters competed strongly in the first day of competition yesterday with some particularly fine individual performances and I look forward to seeing them in action today.

Evatt and Voice

I am delighted that TAS has the opportunity today to host two new events for Armidale in the 'Evatt' and 'Voice' competitions. Both are initiatives of the Canberra based United Nations Youth organisation and they offer our students the chance to become involved in internationally recognised opportunities for personal development. Evatt is the competitive 'Model United Nations' program for students in Years 10 to 12 and is based on a simulation of the United Nations Security Council, with students taking up positions representing member states on often complex and sensitive global issues, while 'Voice' is the competitive public speaking program for Years 8 to 10. TAS will host other Armidale schools in this first event and I look forward to seeing the program develop in the years ahead.

Representative Honours

Congratulations to Year 7 student Oliver Ledingham who has been selected in the NSW team for the National Pony Club championships which will be held in Toowoomba later this term. Oliver will compete in both the show jumping and tetrathlon events and I am sure that all will join me in wishing him well for his preparation in the weeks leading up to the championships. Like other equestrians at TAS who compete away from the gaze of the School, Oliver will not have the direct support of his fellow students, but he will have our admiration and best wishes as he performs for his state at this elite level.

City 2 Surf, 2017

At yesterday's Middle and Senior School assembly the TAS campaign for the 2017 City to Surf was launched with the assistance of Old Armidalian Drew Schofield (1996). Drew connected closely with the assembly through the story of his journey with muscular dystrophy that has taken him from a school life much like that of our current students to a wheelchair and his campaign to support all those living with muscular dystrophy and the search for a cure. His charity, 'Stand Tall for a Cure', will be the focus of our fundraising efforts around the City to Surf this year and the connection to Drew will make it very real for our runners and all those supporting them. I fully expect that TAS will field another huge team in this iconic event this year and I am sure all will share in the pride that our students are running for such a good cause.

Murray Guest



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Week 1

Wednesday 19 July Evatt & Voice National Competitions

Saturday 22 July Rugby vs Shore (Sydney)

Week 2

Tuesday 25 July Fiji Service Trip Meeting (McConville Centre) at 6.30pm
Twilight Concert (Memorial Hall)
7.30pm

Thursday 27 July Year 10 Parent Teacher Inverviews
Year 10 Parent Information Session
(6.15pm)

Friday 28 July Year 10 Parent Teacher Inverviews
Year 10 Parent Information Session (2pm
Tamworth Boarding Schools' Expo

Saturday 29 July Rugby vs SBHS (1st IV only Sydney)
Tamworth Boarding Schools' Expo

Week 3

Tuesday 1 August ICAS English Competition
Curtain Up - Hoskins Centre 6.30pm

Wednesday 2 August P&F Meeting (Lower Maxwell Room) 7pm

Thursday 3 August Twilight Concert (Hoskins Centre) 6pm

Saturday 5 August Rugby v St Joseph's (Sydney)

Week 4

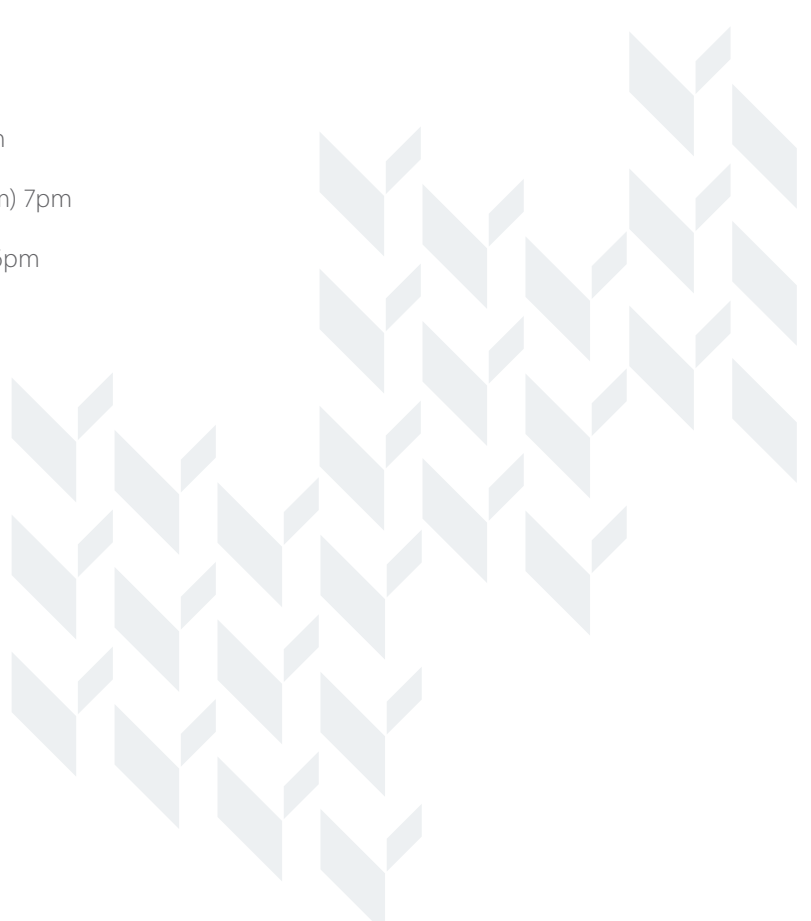
IIDEALS Week (Formerly Excursion Week)

Monday 7 August HSC Trial Exams commence

Tuesday 8 August PSSA Athletics

Saturday 12 August Rugby v King's (Sydney)

Sunday 13 August City to Surf



P&F PRESIDENT, MRS RACHAEL NICOLL

Welcome back! I hope everyone had a wonderful winter break and managed to recharge your batteries to be ready to take on the second half of the year and to have your trivia brain ready for our Music and Movies Trivia Night.

P&F TRIVIA NIGHT

A fun night of movies and music mayhem will be held on Saturday 26 August. So, how about putting a team of 10 together?

Are you the next Michael Jackson, Elvis, Taylor Swift or Adele? Do you dream of being James Bond or Batman?? Please get dressed up!!! We hope to see some wacky and wonderful movie stars or pop icons rock up on the night.

Tickets are \$30 pp and can be booked at Trybooking.com.au.
<https://www.trybooking.com/RAVX> Please choose a table number and then let everyone in your team know so they can book on the same table.

If you'd like to have a hand in helping organise our Trivia Night please come along to our planning meetings in The Archdall Room (down main corridor past reception, opposite the entrance to the Dining Room). The next Planning Meeting is Wednesday 26 July 7pm

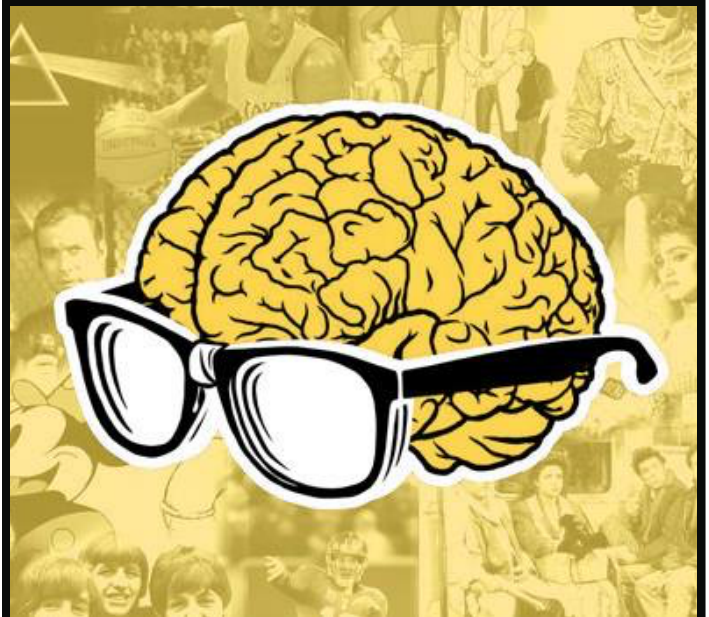
All helpers welcome.

NEXT P&F MEETING

Our next P&F meeting is on Wednesday 2 August 2017 at 7pm in Lower Maxwell Room – We'd love to see you there.



SHAKE YOUR GROOVE THING AND ENJOY A LITTLE QUIZ SHOW!



CALLING ALL LOVERS OF MUSIC & MOVIES!

IT'S TIME FOR THE PARENTS TO HAVE SOME FUN, SO COME ONE AND ALL TO THE 2ND ANNUAL P&F TRIVIA NIGHT.

THIS YEAR'S THEME IS MUSIC & MOVIES – COMPLETE WITH A DANCE PARTY!

DETAILS:

Saturday 26 August, 2017
6.30pm, TAS GYM

Gather your best brains into tables of 8-10 and come dressed as your favourite band, rock star or movie character.

BOOKINGS:

Tickets are \$30 / <https://www.trybooking.com/RAVX>

BYO Food and Drinks



TAS
PARENTS
& FRIENDS

CHAPLAIN, MR RICHARD NEWTON

1 Corinthians 13

I'm not sure if any of you noticed but my family and I have been away for the year thus far, but it's good to be back, we loved our time away, but we love it here too. In the words of the great and largely unknown Australian boxing champion Jeff Fenech, "I love yas all!"

We love to be loved. We love the idea of love. We love the School Reading about love. Most couples that come to be married in the school chapel want this reading. It is the monument to love. Love is supreme in it, we would be hard pressed to find a better expression of love anywhere else in society. It is a genuine feel good passage. The idea of loving others is such an attractive notion. Society has not thrown out this section of the Bible as irrelevant or antiquated. But we hold on to it, we hold it up to be followed.

The importance and priority of love should not surprise us. After all, it is the essence of Jesus' great summary of the law – "love the Lord your God.. and love your neighbour." Love is not just commended, it's commanded. The romantics amongst us will protest and say "No, love cannot be commanded, we have no control over love... it's a feeling that you fall into, you're inflamed by, it surges or it wains, but it cannot be demanded or controlled".

Some will go to the other extreme, and say that love is simply an exercise of the will, you can act in love towards someone, you seek to benefit them, regardless of how you feel about them - in a sense love your neighbour, yet hate his guts. However, 1 Corinthians 13 will not allow such an understanding. Ultimate sacrifice, even the giving of one's life, in the name of doing good for others, amounts to zero without love.

No getting out of the command to love so easily. Kiss were right when they said, "I was made for loving you baby, you were made for loving me." But we don't love in this is what we were made for.

So we are left to rely on the love of God for us. While we should pray that our lives be characterised by love, this reading is a regular reminder that we fail in it, and are in great need of the grace of God. His grace, the greatest demonstration of love and the most beautiful picture of what love should look like in our lives.



DIRECTOR OF STUDIES, SEONIA WARK

HSC Information

HSC Trial exams will be held in Weeks 4 and 5 of this term - Monday 7 August - Friday 18 August. These exams are supervised by the Presiding Officer who will supervise and oversee the HSC exams in Term 4.

The HSC 2017 Study Guide, produced by The Sydney Morning Herald and NESAs, is available online. It is full of practical information and advice for HSC students from NESAs curriculum inspectors, experienced teachers and high achieving students. The online document contains lots of extra material and will remain available until after written exams, and includes:

- 50 articles
- sample questions
- 100 HSC courses
- videos
- tips for written, oral and performance exams
- advice on submitted works
- smart study tips
- stress busting strategies
- advice for parents

Link to access the HSC Study Guide: <http://www.smh.com.au/national/education/hsc-study-guide-2017>

Link to NESAs Student News: <http://lnk.info.nesa.nsw.edu.au/l/Au8xa-cUwfa-2V74yl46yHc>

Year 10 Parent Teacher Interviews

Year 10 Parent Teacher Interviews will be held in Week 2 - Thursday 27 July 3.30pm - 6pm and Friday 28 July 2pm - 5.30pm.

Information in regards to making your booking times and your personal webcode will be sent to parents by tomorrow (Apologies for the delay in sending this out).

Parent Information sessions will be held which will focus on the senior years at TAS and the process for selecting subjects. The first session will be held at 6.15pm on Thursday 27 July and a repeat session on Friday 28 July at 11.45am. These sessions will be held in Big School (just outside Reception).



Year 11 and HSC Tutoring

Please note that English tutoring will not be held this week but will resume again in Week 2.

HSC tutoring is a valuable service provided by TAS and students should take advantage of the extra help they can receive particularly in the lead up to HSC exams. The tutoring schedule is below...

Year 11

Tuesday	2U Maths (7 - 8pm - Cash Building)
Wednesday	Maths Ext (7 - 8pm - Cash Building) English - 8 - 9pm (F1-2)
Thursday	General Maths (7 - 8pm - Cash Building)

Year 12

Monday	Biology (7 - 8pm - Cash Building) Chemistry (8 - 9pm - Cash Building)
Tuesday	2U Maths (8 - 9pm - Cash Building)
Wednesday	Maths Ext - (8 - 9pm - Cash Building) English 7 - 8pm (F1-2)
Thursday	General Maths (8 - 9pm - Cash Building)

A tutor is also available for Year 9 & 10 students in Maths & Science on Monday & Tuesday evenings from 7pm - 9pm. This is held in Cash Building.

Students just need to attend if they require some extra help. This tutoring is free.

Parent Webinar Program - a resource for parents

Parents face a myriad of challenges in raising happy and healthy children. Some of these issues have not changed over time, such as dealing with moody adolescents during puberty or helping kids be the best they can be. Others, like keeping children safe online, are new.

Through the ISDCN Parent Webinar Program, parents can access a wealth of information to help them understand and respond to the complex range of issues associated with raising children, as well as experts ready to help arm them with well-researched strategies and considered advice.

An overview and intent of the Parent Webinar Program, plus Live links to streamed recordings of nine prior webinars and details for the upcoming Parent Webinar 11 - It will feature the most high profile presenter to date, that being Dr. Michael Carr-Gregg. Michael will present on how technology can help student's mental health. It will be held at 7.45PM on the night of 10 August and can be accessed through the link: [HERE](#)

HOW ISDCN PARENT WEBINARS WORK

Live sessions are scheduled to start at 7:45pm AESDT for the convenience of busy households. Webinars are free and no registration is required. Parents simply click on a provided link at the advertised time. Participants will see the computer screen and video of the presenter, hear their audio and can interact by asking formal questions with the Q&A tool or have informal discussion on a chat channel. These interactions can be the most valuable part of the session. Parents can also access recordings of previous webinars - www.isdcn.edu.au

Mrs Seonia Wark

ACADEMIC

Trial and HSC Support

We are looking for three volunteers to assist some HSC students with their exams during Week 4 and 5 this term. This would involve acting as a reader or scribe. If you are at all interested or just would like to receive more specific information, please email Ms Catherine Boydell cboydell@as.edu.au

Ms Catherine Boydell



TAS Mathematics and English Tutoring and Homework Centre, Term 1, 2017

At a glance

- * Operates on a Monday afternoon and is held in the Cash (Maths) Block from 3.45 to 4.45pm commencing in Term 1, Week 3 and finishing Week 9.
- * Delicious afternoon tea provided.
- * Sessions operate with maximum of six students per tutor.
- * Diagnostic tests and graded worksheets in all basic skills with Extension opportunities for able students.
- * \$150 a term for 1 session a week.
- * Students can mix and match - they can do a session of Maths and one of English on alternate weeks.

Enquiries and bookings - Gaye Piper: gpiper1@as.edu.au or 0410 924 191

CAREERS, MARK TAYLOR

Careers Festival – Duval High School Wednesday 26 July, 4.30 – 7.30 pm

Duval High School is hosting a Careers Festival that provides students with the opportunity to explore career/vocational options and identify their career pathways.

There will be more than 70 representatives from local businesses, government department and educational organisations to highlight what is available to students beyond secondary school.

DHS has extended a warm invitation to all New England students, parents and carers to attend and support your local community.

I would encourage any day students that would like to attend to make their way to DHS after school next Wednesday. I will also organise a bus for any Year 10 & 11 boarders who would like to attend. It will leave from front of school at 4.15pm and return to TAS by 6.15pm so students can get their evening meal before going to Chapel at the later time of 6.45.

ANU Midyear Advisory Session

Australian National University is inviting students and their parents to it's Midyear Advisory Session.

Students, parents, teachers and careers advisors will be able to meet staff from ANU Academic Colleges to learn about it's programs and facilities. There will also be opportunities to find out information on student accommodation, global programs and support services.

This is an opportunity to ask questions and find out all the information students need to know before UAC applications open.

Event details

- Sydney
- Wednesday 26 July, 4.00pm - 7.00pm
- The Portside Conference Centre, 207 Kent Street
- Register here

If you would like any further information or have any questions, please contact student.recruitment@anu.edu.au.

UNSW Mining Summer School

Below is a link to the school's careers page where a letter introducing the UNSW Mining Summer School for students in Year 10 & 11 who were considering a career in engineering, can be found. As well as the letter I have included a copy of the brochure giving details of the program. Please have a look if this is of interest to you.

<http://wordpress.as.edu.au/careers/2017/07/17/unsw-mining-summer-school/>

Bond University's John Eales Scholarship

The recipients will be a part of the Bond Elite Sports Program (BESP) and will be able to be a part of one of Australian Rugby's best club rugby programs, while gaining an education at one of Australia's most prestigious universities.

Winners of the John Eales Rugby Excellence Scholarship will benefit from regular one on one mentoring sessions with John Eales.

Current Scholarship holders include:

- Alex Mafi; Nudgee College, Qld Schoolboys, Australian Schoolboys, Qld u20s, Qld REDS
- Dylan Reilly; TSS, Qld Schools, Australian Schools, Aust Youth 7s, Qld u20s, Aus U20s
- PJ van den Berg; TSS, Qld Schoolboys
- Gavin Luka; Nudgee College, Qld Schoolboys, Australian Schools, Aus U20s
- Ben Hunt; St. Ignatious College Riverview
- Angus Blythe; Qld U20s, Aus U20s

The Application process can be completed online at:

www.bond.edu.au/scholarship/john-eales-rugby-excellence-scholarship

If you have any questions or would like to discuss anything further, please don't hesitate to contact Sean Hedger, Director of Rugby in the Office of Sport.

The Footnotes Website

Footnotes is a refreshingly innovative website designed for females who want to discover careers in a unique new way, aside from the old careers way. Full of feature articles and unique insights, for students to enjoy and continue their careers discovery experience. Please have a look at the website below for more information.

<http://thefootnotes.com.au>

Careers FAQ's website

Careers FAQ is a website made available to the public which offers a range of different course information and quality resources for young people to consider when deciding about the future career paths.

Below are some feature articles from the website for you to consider. I highly recommend that you spend some time examining the website.

- 12 Industries of the Future
- Best Jobs of the Future
- Career Inspiration – Stories and feature articles of interest

Mr Mark Taylor



DIRECTOR OF CO-CURRICULAR, WILL CALDWELL

TAS Blue

At the conclusion of the staff chapel service on Monday we sang the school hymn. For a moment, I froze – not sure if I could remember the first line (perhaps a sign that I had a good break). Then the tune played and the words came drifting back to me.

It gave me cause to reflect on other occasions where I doubt myself. No matter how experienced I am or how much I have practiced there is a part of me that questions my ability. Yet once I take the first step, write the first word, take the first stroke or play the first note, I know I can do it.

Confidence comes not from believing that you can but from proving to yourself you can. Often this means taking a chance; challenging your doubts - taking that first step. Sometimes it is a sense of something bigger that inspires students to take that first step.

In the words of Kurt Hahn:

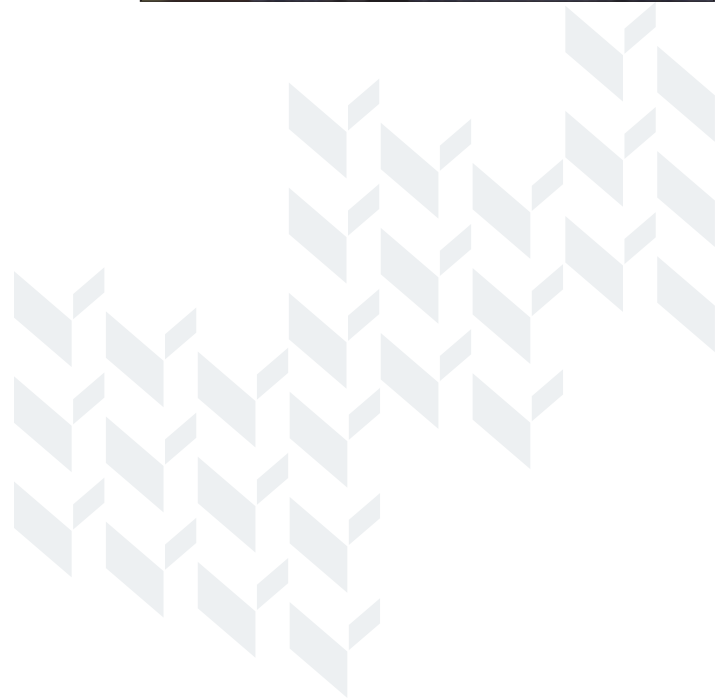
“There is more to us than we know. If we can be made to see it, perhaps for the rest of our lives we will be unwilling to settle for less”.

The TAS Blue was developed with this philosophy in mind. The framework for the TAS Blue encourages students to serve, to lead, to challenge themselves and to discover themselves. As a result, they are better equipped to contribute to their world both now and beyond school.

Year 12 students have been invited to submit applications by Friday 4 August. An application form can be found [HERE](#). We will be meeting with Year 11 students in the coming weeks to assist them in their journey, although, all students are encouraged to view the application and discuss with their advisor how to translate these words into actions.

Challenge Yourself City 2 Surf – 13 August

Save the date to be part of the huge TAS contingent. More details below in Mr Pennington’s report.



Kokoda - 23 September to 3 October

Registrations are due for the Kokoda Expedition. Please register at: <https://www.ourspirit.com.au/2017-kokoda-trek-11-day-trip> (select the 23 September to 3 October trek). If you would like further information please visit <http://www.as.edu.au/expeditions/kokoda/> or contact wcaldwel@as.edu.au

Hawkesbury Canoe Classic – 28-29 October

Expressions of interest are being accepted for this year's Hawkesbury Canoe Classic with training commencing on Sunday 30 July. Details below. To find out more please contact Mr Tim Wheaton on twheaton@as.edu.au

Hawkesbury Expression on Interest

Expressions of interest are being sought for people who would like to participate in the Hawkesbury Canoe Classic 2017. Please add yourself to the HCC Team App and you will be able to get access to the Expression of Interest form in the documents tab. There are limited kayaks so first to get expression of interest form in will get their choice of kayak. This can be accessed on a computer or phone with the following link;

www.kayakingthearmidaleschool.teamapp.com

I should've, I would've, I could've, but I didn't. I should have attempted the 111km Hawkesbury Canoe Classic (HCC), people have told me how rewarding it was for them and how it showed they could push themselves beyond their own limits and comfort zone. I would have but I prefer to sleep in on Sunday mornings instead of going to training. I could have but I was busy with other things. I didn't and now I may not get the chance to do it again.

The Hawkesbury Canoe Classic is an event that TAS has been attending and participating in for over 38 years. Since the beginning students, parents and friends of TAS have had the opportunity to challenge themselves in an overnight paddle that can take between 7 and 20 hours to complete, if you make it to the end. Many people have tried and succeeded in completing the event and some have completed it in record time.

The HCC is an event that has raised over \$4 million dollars for the Arrow Bone Marrow Transplant Foundation and other charitable organisations. The TAS/NEGS/PLC team of paddlers has contributed significantly to this total with our contribution to this figure being in excess of \$200,000 since our first entry 38 years ago and this is also due to the generous donations previously made by Count Financial.

There are a number of different competition events to enter as well as local trophies to celebrate the fastest junior/adult paddlers, fastest three kayaks from one school, biggest fund raiser for adults and juniors as well as a trophy for the paddlers that demonstrated the most grit and determination to get through to the finish. All of these are awarded to paddlers from the TAS/NEGS/PLC paddlers at a presentation night in November.

All money raised goes to the charitable organisations and there is also an entry fee that is used to run the event.

There is also another paddling event called The Myall Classic. This is a 47km paddle during the day and it starts and finishes at the same location after paddling up and back on the same river near Tea Gardens. This is a great training paddle leading up to the HCC.

There are age restrictions on each of the events being 15 years of age at the start of the HCC (October) and 13 years of age for the Myall Classic.

The main training location is Malpas Dam as we have a number of kayaks housed there including boats donated by the TAS Parents and Friends, The TAS Old Armidaliens' Union and also generous donations from a number of parents of past students such as the Kozera, Hall, Harris, Guest, Banks, Hardingham, Murray, Suderby families amongst others.

The cost of paddling the above events varies depending on whether you choose one or all events to participate in and if you have your own equipment or need to hire it from us. There is also a charge for joining the TAS Kayak Club and this entitles you to access Malpas Dam and the TAS Kayak/Rowing shed throughout the training season, BBQ breakfasts when supplied on Sunday training days, complimentary tickets to the information night as well as the presentation night. Costs are available on the back of the expression of interest form.

Entrants can choose to paddle with a partner of their choice or on their own. I strongly suggest completing the HCC with someone else before attempting this on your own as the chance of success is very low on first time single paddlers completing the event.

Paddler combinations who have paddled before include; TAS student/TAS student, TAS student/NEGS or PLC student, NEGS or PLC student/ NEGS or PLC student, student/father, student/mother, student/brother, student/sister, parent/parent, friend/friend. You are welcome to choose whomever you would like to paddle with.

Training is carried out on Malpas Dam on Sunday mornings between 8.30 and 11.30 most weekends with a Grafton paddle to gain experience in night paddling and navigation down a river. Grafton paddle is a compulsory paddle if you choose to paddle with TAS at the HCC. Another night paddle may be scheduled at Malpas Dam in lieu of the Grafton paddle. Training begins on Sunday the 30 July.

Kayaks, lifejackets, spray decks and paddles are available if required and they are charged at \$110 per person and these are yours to use throughout the season, however, if you do not regularly attend training sessions your kayak may be allocated to other paddlers who do. Kayaks can be taken elsewhere if suitable kayak racks are being used to transport them.

If you are interested in participating in the Hawkesbury Canoe Classic, The Myall Classic or the Grafton Paddle please access the Kayaking Team App; www.kayakingthearmidaleschool.teamapp.com add yourself to the HCC access group and you will be able to download the Expression of Interest form from there.

Please email or phone me if you have difficulty finding the expression of interest form or accessing Team App.

Mr Tim Wheaton

City to Surf 2017 - calling Team TAS!

This year the City to Surf is on Sunday 13 August. As part of this iconic event, this year we will be raising funds for Muscular Dystrophy, and more specifically 'Stand Tall for a cure' an initiative of Old Armidalian Drew Schofield (1996). Drew was diagnosed with Muscular Dystrophy at the age of 12, yet he has never let this get in the way of his dreams. After leaving TAS in 1996, Drew has carved out a successful career in real estate whilst always searching for a cure. His drive and determination are to be admired and his humility is inspiring. At our first assembly this term, we were fortunate to have Drew speak to the school about his time at TAS, his attitude and approach to Muscular Dystrophy and his charity 'Stand Tall for a cure', which aims to raise money to fund research to help those who are diagnosed young (as was Drew) with Muscular Dystrophy, so that they may walk again.

I invite all parents who may be interested in either running with us, or donating to this wonderful cause to please contact me here at TAS (jpenning@as.edu.au, or 0419 250 984).

Mr James Pennington



RUGBY – TAS v SHORE

21-22 JULY, 2017

Travel: by Oxley & Edwards Coaches.

Departure times from TAS front of school Friday 21 July:

- BUS 4 (Oxley TV8656) (57) - 13s + 16B: **2:15pm**
- BUS 3 (Edwards 5944MO) (57) - 14s: **2.15pm**
- BUS 2– (Oxley TV 301) (53) - 15's: **2:15pm**
- BUS 1 (Oxley 7192 MO) (62) – Opens, 16A: **3.00pm**

Return to TAS front of school Saturday 22 July : U13s – U16s + 9:00pm
Opens: approx. 10:00pm. (Updates will be published on TeamApp).

TAS	SHORE	Venue	Time
TAS 1 st XV	3 rd XV	Northbridge A	1:00 pm
TAS 2 nd XV	5 th XV	Northbridge A	11:00am
TAS 16A	16B	Northbridge B	10:00am
TAS 16B	16E	Northbridge B	9:00 am
TAS 15A	15C	Northbridge C	11:00 am
TAS 15B	15E	Northbridge C	9:00 am
TAS 14A	14C	Johnson Oval*	9:00 am
TAS 14B	14E	Old Boys 2*	8:00 am
TAS 13A	13B	Northbridge G	12:00 pm
TAS 13B	13D	Northbridge G	10:00 am

* 14s games held at Newington College Stanmore Rd, Stanmore.

Accommodation: A sleeping bag and pillow will be required at all venues

- 13s + 16B: SHORE Boatshed (**mattresses provided**)
- 14s: NEWINGTON Gym (**swag required**) *
- 15s: GRAMMAR Boatshed (**swag required**) *
- OPENS + 16A: Sydney High Boat Shed (**mattresses provided**)

*** boys without swags should collect a mattress from Sandilands room upon departure**

Meals: Dinners en route, breakfast at accommodation, lunch at SHORE.

Dress: 13s – 15s TAS tracksuit.

16s & Opens TAS formals to be worn for all travel and on game day.

Cost: All students \$100 charged to school accounts.

CREATIVE ARTS

This term is a busy and important time for the Creative Arts as HSC students sit their Trial Exams and prepare for the submission and performances for their work in Drama, Music and Visual Arts. The TAS community will have an opportunity to see the hard work and outstanding talent of the students at various assemblies and performance evenings to celebrate their achievements. 'Curtain Up', the showcase of the HSC Drama pieces, is on Tuesday 1 August at 6:30pm in the Hoskins Centre and will feature the Individual Projects and Group Performances. The showcase of the work of our HSC Visual Arts and Music students occurs at the combined 'Final Note' and 'Masterstroke'. 'Final Note' will occur on two evenings this year with Music 1 performing at 6.30pm on Monday 21 August and Music 2 coinciding with the 'Masterstroke' exhibition on Tuesday 22 August at 6:30pm. Make sure you have these dates saved in your calendars as they always prove to be extremely popular, entertaining evenings.

The excitement in Junior School is palpable with auditions for Seussical Jr. occurring next week for students in Years 3-5. Junior School Drama Club carries on in the Hoskins Centre. The K-5 group meets on Tuesday afternoons from 3:45- 4:45pm. New students are welcome to join and it is a great way for performers to develop their acting skills in preparation for the musical in Term 4.

Lastly, The Australian Haydn Ensemble will be performing in the Hoskins Centre this Thursday 20 July at 7pm. Please see the poster attached for more information.

Mrs Leasa Cleaver



Mrs Leasa Cleaver
Acting Creative Arts Coordinator



Kaliya Alldridge | Madison Alldridge | Laura Cotterell
Sarah Evans | Ziggy Harris | Dakotah Love
Katie Miller | Alessandra Perry
Amanda Richards | Hugh Worsley

Curtain Up

A SHOWCASE OF TAS HSC DRAMA
GROUP & INDIVIDUAL PROJECTS

Tuesday 1 August – 6:30pm
TAS Hoskins Centre

This is a free event

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MUSIC MATTERS

Welcome back to another term at TAS. This is a very busy term with many students sitting AMEB exams, HSC Performance examinations and showcases of HSC works.

Tuition and Ensembles have commenced

Instrumental tuition and ensemble rehearsals have recommenced this week. We are always happy to welcome new students to our groups. If you are interested in taking vocal or instrumental tuition or in joining a TAS ensemble, don't hesitate to contact the Music Office - in person or by phone on 6776 5890. Alternately email music@as.edu.au for more information. Reminders for ensemble rehearsals are sent out through TeamApp, so ensure you register for 'The Armidale School – Music' version of the app and select the relevant access group.

Twilight Concerts

With AMEB exams only a few short weeks away, we will hold a Twilight Concert next Tuesday 25 July at 6pm in Memorial Hall. All Music tuition students are welcome to play, with particular focus on those who are preparing to sit their AMEB exams and Year 12 Performance exams. This is a great opportunity to gain performance experience in front of a small audience of peers, friends and family. Students should speak with their instrumental or vocal tutors to select an appropriate piece to perform.

A second Twilight concert will be held this term on Thursday 3 August at 6pm in the Hoskins Centre Theatre.

Well done Erin!

Late results just in for Erin Page who competed in the Armidale Eisteddfod last term.

Vocal Solo Musical Theatre 15 & under	2nd
Vocal Solo Folk Song or Ballad 15 & under	2nd
Vocal Solo Sacred 15 & under	3rd

TAS mini-bus to Old Teachers' College for NECOM ensembles

A reminder that a TAS mini-bus is available on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons to take TAS students to the Old Teachers' College for NECOM ensembles: New England Singers, Mini Singers, Cantilena, String ensembles, AYO and AYSO. The bus leaves the Brown St turning circle near the TAS Music Centre at 3.40pm. This service is free and is available to boarders as well as day students.

Ms Leanne Roobol
Director of Music



HEAD OF MIDDLE SCHOOL, MARK HARRISON

Welcome to Term 3. We've already had our first assembly and staff meeting and your children look fine. Their willingness suggests they've had a really good semester holiday and this is the best way to start something that will, like its predecessors, be very busy. To be frank, this last break from general routine was excellent and clearly everyone benefited because everyone is smiling, everyone (we need to be careful of absolutes, so I qualify this by adding 'within reason') is prepared to listen, everyone has a neat uniform. We've even come back to reasonable weather – so, in terms of beginnings this is one we've reason to very happy about our lot.

I hope yours has been a good break and that you're happy (enough) with Semester Reports. If, for some reason, you wish to ask questions and make comments please contact us as Homeroom staff and we'll do our best to address issues arising from the reporting period. I'm already scheduled to see some parents and this is probably a good thing. We need to work together on improvements, adjustments and even attitudes as they relate to exams.

I indicated that we're in for a busy time this term: we have 'away games' for sports and of course in four weeks we will embark on our first ever IDEALS Week for all students. I'm directly involved with Year 7 and the staff meeting we had yesterday and we're fine tuning activities, groupings and venues for the week. Staff involved with the other year groups likewise had meetings yesterday to discuss their particular activities. As issues arise that need your attention, we'll certainly let you know.

While it is not a formal examination term, this one is important in that it will be succeeded by a small window of opportunity next term before the next battery of examinations. New timetables and homework schedules for the semester were issued during lesson 1 today. The latter need to be followed closely and students need to be gainfully employed during prep time. We're 'working on' boarders and we want you to 'work on' day students at home. What do I mean by this? We need students to be vitally aware of the fact of work and the necessity of keeping them on task. We need also to continue to work together.

I hope you are well,

Mr Mark Harrison
Head of Middle School



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HEAD OF JUNIOR SCHOOL, IAN LLOYD

As we begin another very busy term, I am very happy to welcome everyone back to Junior School, including a pleasing number of new enrolments. This is a very encouraging trend and the we are excited by the growth in Junior School and the opportunities this presents for our students.

We also welcome Ms Suzanna Nye who will be completing her fourth Year Internship with Kindergarten and our Gap students for the term, Soren Pen (Wan) and Lachlan Truesdale both of whom are well known to Junior School.

We have some key dates this term and we will draw these to your attention as they approach but in particular, I draw your attention to the visit from Tezukayama Gakuin Elementary School from Osaka from 16-22 August. During this visit, there will be some great opportunities to participate in activities and assemblies. It is always a special visit and joining in makes for a better experience for all concerned and offers a good insight into Japanese culture. We will be publishing a schedule of events soon and you are welcome to join us when you can.

In the next few weeks, our Creative Arts Department will be holding the auditions for our end of year Musical. This is a complex process and I know that a considerable amount of preparation, time and effort goes into this process. I congratulate all those who audition for a major role for having a go. It is also important to say at this point, that some may be disappointed if they do not get the role to which they aspire. We ask all our parents to talk to their children about this and help support the process knowing that everyone who takes part in the production will have a wonderful time and have a great experience no matter what role they take.

Mr Ian Lloyd
Head of Junior School



Happy Birthday

Congratulations to the many Junior School students having birthdays at the start of Term 3. Happy Birthday Abigail Rucci, Lachlan Wood, Marvelous Agbasale, Hugo Broun, Harry Brownlie and Theo Munsie.

Lost Property

There have been a lot of parents and students looking for lost property recently so just a reminder to please check your child's uniform to make sure they haven't taken home someone else's uniform by mistake and that your child's uniform is clearly labelled. Thank you for your support with this matter.

Routine changes

Often the need arises for the routine of your child to change and it is essential these changes be made prior to 3.00 pm. Teachers are not always able to check emails and occasionally phone messages are not picked up in time for many reasons. Please call the Junior School Reception office where possible and if urgent, the Main Reception desk and ask for your message to be relayed through to the relevant teacher or the Head of Junior School.

We appreciate your support with this.

Arriving at School

While we understand the pressures of getting children off to school in the mornings, the morning routine is an important one. As important as it is for children to play with friends in the playground before school, it can also be disruptive if children arrive once a lesson has commenced. If your child is late please escort them to the Junior School Reception desk prior to heading to the classroom and sign them in, as it is likely that they have been reported absent. It is also timely to mention that the Junior School playground is not supervised before 8.15am in the morning. While there may be occasions when children need to arrive at school earlier than this, it should only be for an activity or occasion which would be associated with the appropriate supervision.

Looking Ahead

Week 1

Wednesday 19 July

No Assembly

Thursday 20 July

Martial Arts resumes in Sports Centre

Week 2 School Spirit – Persistence

Wednesday 26 July

Assembly 2.45 in Hoskins Centre – Year 4
Dance Club begins

Week 3 School Spirit - Organisation

(Senior School IDEALS WEEK)

Tuesday 1 August

ICAS English Exam

Wednesday 2 August

Assembly 2.45 Hoskins Centre – Year 5

JUNIOR SCHOOL SPORT, CHRISTINE WRIGHT

Winter Sports teams

Welcome back to Term 3. If you are new to TAS please contact Mrs Christine Wright to join a TAS Winter sport for this term. Unfortunately, registrations have closed for Football this year, however, we would welcome any new students to join our training program this term. Places are available for new students to join our Netball teams and there are some Hockey positions still available.

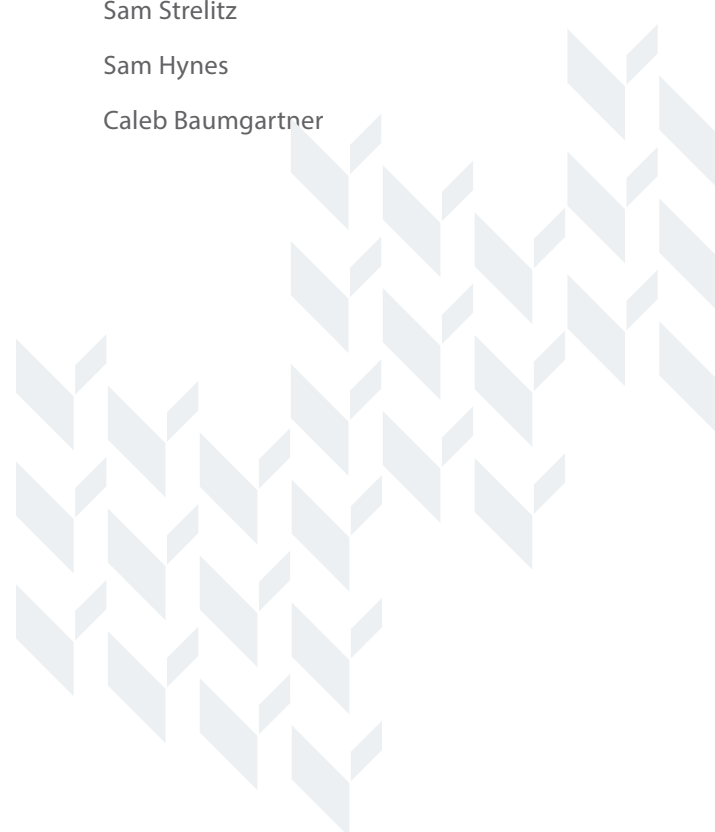
Training for football and netball occurs on Monday afternoons from 3:45pm – 5:00pm and hockey players train on Tuesday afternoons at the same time.

PSSA Athletics – Armidale High School 8 August

The following students have been selected to represent TAS at our local PSSA inter school competition to be held in August. Only two students per event can compete at this competition. You will receive a permission note and information sheet shortly to consider whether you would like this opportunity to compete. This same team will be offered the opportunity to also compete at our Independent Sports association (NCIS) competition in Coffs Harbour later in August. The full team of NCIS representatives will be published in the next two weeks.

PSSA Team 2017

Katie Hynes
Eve Hopkins
Mila Downes
Charlie Ward
Paige Sutton
Ruyuf Almalki
Charlize Broadfoot
Hugo Broun
Mohammed Almokhtar
Charlie Ryan
Blake Whitehill
Evan Kwan
Banjo Lawrence
Max Rogers
Lochie Gerdes
Theo Munsie
Tom Ball
Lennox Neilson
Sam Strelitz
Sam Hynes
Caleb Baumgartner



COMMUNITY

Pottery Families and potential Pottery Families

Rick and Suzanne Hatch are offering after-school classes in clay work. The goal of our teaching is for the children to have fun while developing imagination, hand skills and the ability to solve problems with creative flair. This term we will be making work that is useful for eating or drink from but that also has lots of room for sculptural expression.

Where: Classes are held in Art Room 1 of the Hoskins Centre at TAS

Who: Year K to 4 are on Tuesdays from 4pm to 5 pm

Year 5 and up are on Thursdays from 4pm to 5pm

Children may arrive anytime after 3:20 pm. Also, there is flexibility on the age/ day guidelines.

Commencement: The Tuesday class starts on Tuesday, July 25. The Thursday class on July 27. Classes run for 6 weeks. We then have a week off to allow for drying and firing of pots, followed by a party. Our parties will be on Tuesday, Sept. 12, and Thursday Sept. 14.

Cost: \$150.00. This includes materials, instruction, and firing of the work.

Enrolment and further information: Contact me via email on weemalapot@yahoo.com.au or phone on 6772 5371.

Please note that all the beautiful portrait lanterns from last term will be ready to go home after lesson 1.

Rick Hatch



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Skye McIntosh, Artistic Director

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MOZART String Quartet No. 17 K. 458 'The Hunt'

HAYDN String Quartet Op. 1 No. 1 'The Hunt'

MOZART Oboe Quartet K. 370

JANITSCH Oboe Quartet in G Minor

THE PLAYERS

Australian Haydn Ensemble

Skye McIntosh Director & Violin

Amy Power Classical Oboe

Simone Slattery Violin

James Eccles Viola

Anthony Albrecht Cello

'La Chasse' or 'The Hunt' was a popular theme of the 18th century. This intimate chamber music program intertwines quartets based on this fascination with music for the oboe - an instrument then often associated with hunt.

Join AHE for this wonderful exploration of chamber music. Haydn's string quartet 'The Hunt' Op. 1 No. 1 was written as early as 1751. Its stunning adagio provides a vision of just where Haydn would go with this loved chamber genre that he championed. Mozart's joyful and beautiful Quartet K. 370, also nicknamed 'The Hunt', written some thirty years later, is the fourth quartet in a set of six he dedicated to the great master, Papa Haydn.

In 1780 Mozart visited Munich at the invitation of the Elector Karl Theodor, commissioner of his opera *Idomeneo*. Whilst there, Mozart reconnected with the virtuoso oboe player Friedrich Ramm and composed for him his oboe quartet taking the virtuosity of the instrument to new heights.

This program also features a beautiful and rarely heard oboe quartet by the German composer Janitsch, who spent much of his life in Berlin. His prolific output, of both chamber and larger symphonic works, is largely forgotten today.

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