

## TAS TALKS WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Wednesday 2 May, 2018 Term 2 Week 1

# FROM THE HEADMASTER



Mr Murray Guest

Welcome to the new term, to returning and new students and families alike, after what I hope has been a refreshing and rewarding break over the past fortnight. For many the break from classes did not mean a separation from school activities and the holiday brought with it plenty of high profile school events. Some of these activities are reported on in TAS Talks this week and I expect that other reports will be presented in upcoming assemblies and editions of TAS Talks and so I comment only briefly here.

The holiday break began with our first combined Football and Netball Tour to Sydney and Melbourne and offered our senior girls and boys wonderful opportunities to compete with schools there that we would otherwise not come in contact with. This is key preparation for the local season ahead in both sports and I am pleased to hear reports that it was very valuable to all the teams involved. Most will be well aware of the TAS Rugby Carnival that took place on the first weekend of the break and know that it was, again, our biggest public event for the year. That Wallabies lead coach Michael Cheika took the time to travel to Armidale to be our special guest highlighted the significance of the carnival on the Australian Rugby Union Calendar and so I was very pleased to see that the carnival presented was quite probably the most comprehensively successful to date. It is a showcase for TAS and with the grounds looking immaculate, a chance to show off our boarding facilities, excellent catering, tight and slick management throughout and amazing community support, it offered a proud moment for our school. The accolades for all of this are shared widely, amongst the management team, the grounds, housekeeping and catering staff and the many parents and senior students who contributed so much through the weekend and I offer the special thanks of the School to all involved for such an incredible effort.

In the final week of the break TAS was privileged to host the 2018 Regional Round Square Conference for the 10 to 12 years group. The conference brought 140 students and staff from 14 schools across Australian as well as from Bangladesh, South Korea and Indonesia and the chance for us to present something of a New England flavour to this eclectic mix delegates was taken If you click on any Department heading of TAS Talks in the table of contents below you will be able to navigate directly to that page.

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# FROM THE HEADMASTER

up with enthusiasm by our organising committee and I congratulate them on the great success of the week.

I was very pleased to see TAS enter a team of over 20 riders in the 2018 Tour de Rocks charity cycling event in support of cancer research and cancer victims. This is a challenging ride that has taken its place as a fourth element in the 'Triple Crown' award and it was good to have students from Year 7 through to Year 11, as well as a number of parents and staff, take it on.

Once again our chaplaincy team led a group of students and some recent Old Armidalians to the Katoomba Youth Christian Convention known as 'KYCK'. This is a great opportunity for our students to rub shoulders with literally thousands of other like-minded young people who are exploring and developing their faith and I know from past experience that it can have a huge impact on life decisions. I was very pleased to hear about the success of the trip from Richard Newton on his return yesterday and look forward to hearing more details in the coming weeks.

Whilst Anzac Day landed well within the school break this year, TAS was again very well represented at Armidale services. Like others from TAS who attended the Dangarsleigh and Central Park services last week, I was proud to see our Cadet Ceremonial Guard under the command of Harry Graham provide the catafalque party at both services with such distinction. It was also a pleasure to hear recognition given to the Round Square Conference delegates who attended the Central Park service and brought a national and international flavour to it this year. I look forward to seeing the School come together en masse tomorrow for our school Anzac Service. This is an important opportunity for us to show our respect for the service and sacrifice of those who have gone before us at TAS and it is a compulsory event for students. Parents are most welcome of course and should gather in front of the Memorial Hall for a prompt start at 7:00am.

#### **Staffing Matters**

As noted in my End of Term Newsletter last fortnight, we have two teachers taking long service leave this semester, Lana Hawksford and Rachael Butcher. Lana's Year 3 class will be taken by Prudence Woods and Rachael's music teaching will be taken by Nicole Mackson. I take this opportunity to welcome Prudence and Nicole and wish both Lana and Rachael every best wish for their well deserved break.

#### **Thailand Service Trip**

Applications are being taken this week for the annual service trip to Chaing Mai led by our chaplain, Richard Newton, and I recommend it to all senior students who are interested in immersing themselves in a potentially life-shaping service experience. The Thailand service project that sees students working with the Agape Home for orphans living with HIV and the McKean Rehabilitation Centre that works with older people sufferering leprosy and other physical disabilities. These are challenging environments that take our students well beyond their comfort zone and confronts them with questions about faith and our place in the world. Having joined the trip on a number of occasions, I know that its impact can be personally transformative. Students or parents wanting to know more should be in contact with Richard Newton.

#### Looking Ahead

Term 2 begins with some major activities that will gather the attention of our students. Winter sports begin this weekend and I wish all players well as they settle into new teams, develop new friendships and relationships in that process and set their sights on goals for the season ahead. This will include the first travel for our rugby teams as they meet Kinross Walaroi School from Orange on neutral ground at Coonabarabran and I thank all involved for their commitment in making this possible.

Next week our Year 6 classes will head to Canberra for the experience of our capital city that is shared by so many other students of this age right across the country. With tens of thousands of Year 6 students visiting Canberra every year, the city is impressively well set up for them and I am sure that the experience will be as enjoyable as it will be educational.

Week 2 is also a milestone for Year 12 as they sit their mid-course exams. For most subjects the exam next week will contribute the next element of the HSC assessment schedule and the significance of this will be apparent to all students and I know that there has been some good preparation. More important than the internal competition that the assessment process demands is the value in the whole cohort collaborating to move ahead and I am pleased with the progress that is happening generally toward this end. I wish all our senior students every success as they attempt to put the fruits of their studies forward next week.

#### **Murray Guest**



# CALENDAR OF

WEEK 1 Thursday 3 May Friday 4 May Saturday 5 May

Anzac Service Twilight Concert TAS v Kinross

Canberra Excursion (Year 6) Year 12 Half Yearly Exams P&F Meeting Rugby Season Launch (McConville Centre) 6pm Farrar Visit Rugby v Sydney Grammar

Armidale Eisteddfod NAPLAN Language Test Armidale Eisteddford Choir Night NAPLAN Reading Test NAPLAN Numeracy Test Year 9 Parent Teacher Interviews Boarding Schools Expo (Dubbo) NCIS Cross Country (Ballina) Year 9 Parent Teacher Interviews Rugby v Cranbrook

Saturday 5 May
WEEK 2

Monday 7 May

Wednesday 9 May Friday 11 May

Saturday 12 May

**WEEK 3** Monday 14 May Tuesday 15 May

Wednesday 15 May Thursday 16 May

Friday 18 May

Saturday 19 May

## NOTICE BOARD





The Headmaster, Mr Murray Guest and Commanding Officer TAS Cadets Mr Angus Murray

invites you to attend

#### TAS ANZAC CEREMONY

on Adamsfield

Thursday 3 May 2018 at 7.00am

#### **Guest Speaker**

Mr Max Tavener President, Armidale RSL



HE ARMIDALE Choo<u>l</u>

TAS P&F Rugby Committee has much pleasure in inviting you to the launch of the 2018 TAS Rugby Season. Friday 11 May at 6.00pm at McConville Centre Light refreshments will be served and a bar will be operating.

RSVP: Rachael Edmonds at redmonds@as.edu.au by Tuesday 8 May

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#### THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR HELP AT THE RUGBY CARNIVAL

The TAS Rugby Carnival was on the first weekend of the holidays and was a marvellous success – what a wonderful weekend!!

The Carnival is the biggest event of the year for TAS and the P&F and showcases TAS far and wide. We had approximately 1000 kids, coaches and managers to feed each day – plus their families ... phew!!! Without the slew of parents and friends, Community Service helpers and staff serving food, making players lunches, cooking on the BBQ, baking or donating food or just generally lending a hand we could not have pulled off this huge event and we thank you for your help.

I think an event like the Rugby Carnival shows what an incredible community we have at TAS. It is a great reflection on the children and families that make up the wider TAS community that people are prepared to pitch in, lend a hand and donate both time and effort to help and I can't thank people enough for what they do. It is difficult to put into words how much the P&F appreciate your help but know that we are continually amazed by the help that we receive so thank you, thank you, and thank you some more.

On an administrative note – if you loaned us any containers or other items these can be collected from main Reception.

#### P&F ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Our next P&F meeting is our AGM. This will be on **Wednesday 9 May at 7pm** in Lower Maxwell Room. At this meeting all positions on the Committee and The Executive will be declared 'open' and we will vote on the new 2018/19 positions. If you interested in being involved a nomination form can be collected from Reception or downloaded from the P&F webpage.

At the AGM we will also be seeking to ratify a new Constitution- the formal notice is below:

## The Armidale School Parents and Friends Association Incorporated (a NSW incorporated association number 9878454)

Notice is given that a Special Resolution will be proposed at the Association's Annual General Meeting to be held on 9 May 2018. The terms of the resolution (which is intended to be passed as a Special Resolution) are as follows:

"That approval be given for the Constitution of The Armidale School Parents and Friends Association Inc. to be changed by adopting the new Constitution (as tabled at the meeting and initialled by the chair of the meeting for identification purposes), and with the new constitution to take effect on registration under the Associations Incorporation Act 2009 (NSW) following the necessary application."

#### **Explanatory Note**

The P&F was incorporated as an association in September 2002.

The Associations Incorporation Act 2009 (NSW) is now the legislation governing and regulating the P&F and it took effect on 1 July 2010. Further amendments were made to that Act in September 2016.

That Act requires the Constitution to address 17 certain matters (eg membership qualifications, sources of funds, financial year, etc.) as referred to in Schedule 1 of the Act and it is appropriate to update the Rules to better conform to provisions in the new Act (eg financial reporting).

A new Constitution has been prepared and endorsed by the P&F Committee. The new Constitution is an extensive re-write and modernisation of the constitution. In most areas the wording of the Act's model constitution is being adopted due to its clearer and modern drafting style. The Objects of the P&F will not be changed.

Copies of the new Constitution document as proposed to be adopted by special resolution are able to be downloaded from the P&F page on the School's website www.as.edu.au or can be obtained by emailing Rachael Nicoll on nicollfamily1@gmail. com or telephoning her on 0418 980 662.

Click <u>HERE</u> for copy of the new Constitution

Mrs Rachael Nicoll President

# FROM THE

#### MR RICHARD NEWTON

This week our school will stop, be still and remember those who fought and died on our behalf, so that freedom might be a reality for us all. One thing you will notice at the Anzac Service will be the repetition of the name Sandilands, one family's devastating contribution.

The Sandilands lost three sons and a son in law during WWII.

James Walter Sandilands, DFC was killed in a flying accident in India on 13 April, 1944, aged 31.

John Douglas Sandilands was killed in Tunisia on 16 February 1942 while on an operational flight. He was 26. Geoffrey Bruce Hope Sandilands was killed in a flying accident on 16 October 1944, aged 22. It was believed that he was on restricted flying duties following the deaths of his brothers.

Their brother in law, Pilot Officer Godfrey Reece-Jones was also killed during an air operation on 16 August 1942.

To fight for freedom was the best that they could do for us, and they did it by making the greatest sacrifice. Do you think it was an easy thing for them, or an easy thing for their families who lost nearly everyone?

The Bible give perspective on such a sacrifice.

#### Romans 5

7" Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die. 8 But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us."

It is a difficult thing to die for a friend, a countryman. Although, the walls of our Hall are testimony to the fact that it can be done, and has been done, although rare.

But listen to this, God, Jesus, dies for His enemies, for sinners, for those with their back turned to him, you and I. This is mind blowing, scandalous, extraordinary. We have all benefited from the soldiers who died in battle, and we remember them this week, and frankly every week in assembly, we give thanks for them, and give them the honour they deserve. Have you benefited from the Lord Jesus' sacrifice? If so, give him the honour of a life of thankfulness.



**Mr Richard Newton** 



## FROM THE DIRECTOR OF STUDIES

#### MRS SEONIA WARK

#### Year 12 Mid-Course Exams

Year 12 mid-course exams will be held in Week 2 - 7 - 11 May. Students and parents should have received an email with the timetable and a document outlining student expectations during the week. Exams will be held in the Memorial Hall. Students should wear uniform and should ensure they are at the exam venue at least 20 minutes prior to the starting time of the exam. During exam week day students may study at home and boarders may study in their room in their boarding house. The Year 12 study centre remains open during the school day and teachers are available for support.

#### Advanced Ready Course

An Advanced Reading Course is available to students in Year 10 and 11 with good reading skills. This is aimed at students in the top set classes and is applicable to all subject areas.

This course will be held on Monday evenings in weeks 2 and 3 (7 and 14 May) starting at 7.15pm to 9pm.

Places are limited so please contact Mrs Vickey O'Brien - 6776 5806 or vobrien@ as.edu.au to register your attendance for this course.

Strategies for other students will be followed up in class and future workshops yet to be determined.

#### Extended Academic Day Program -Library

A reminder of TAS' Extended Academic Day Program and the opening hours of the Library.

#### Early Morning Program (7:30am – 8:45am Monday to Friday for Years 6 to 12)

The Library will open from 7.30am for students who are at school for early commitments or just want to work quietly or read before the school day starts.

#### Afternoon Program (3:30pm – 6pm Mondays to Thursdays for Years 6 to 8)

Literacy and Numeracy sessions are available . Charges apply for Day students at \$15 per afternoon.

Please contact Mrs Vickey O'Brien vobrien@as.edu.au if you wish to book your child in for one of these sessions. Day students must be collected by 6pm.

#### Evening Program (3:30pm – 6pm Mondays to Thursdays for Years 9 to 12)

The library is also open for all students in Years 9 to 12 to work quietly.

## Friday Afternoon Program (3:30pm – 5.30pm for Years 6 to 12)

The library will be open for all students in Years 6 to 12 to work quietly until 5.30pm. There is no specific academic support available during this time.

The library will be supervised at all times by Mrs Bremner or Mrs Polson. They are available to give general guidance but not specific tutoring in areas of concern. Day students are able to access the Dining Hall at breakfast or dinner by swiping their Student Card at the door. Costs associated with meals will be added to their TAS account.

#### Tutor Timetable - Library

Tutoring and support continues to be available for students in the school Library. Below is a copy of the tutoring times for Years 9, 10, 11 and 12. Please note that there are no Academic Workshops on Monday nights at this stage but students will be advised when they begin again.



Mrs Seonia Wark



# FROM THE DIRECTOR OF STUDIES (Cont.)

Monday	Tuesday       Years 9 - 12       Library       7 - 8pm		Wednes	sday	Thursday Years 9 - 12		
Years 9 - 12			Years 9	- 12			
Library			Library		Library		
7 – 8pm			7 – 8pm	7 – 8pm	7 – 8pm	7 – 8pm	
Maths	Chemistry	English	Advanced Maths Yr 11/12	English	Maths Standard	Maths/Science	
Yr 11/12	Yr 11/12	Yr 9/10		Yr 9/10		Yr 9/10	
(Laura)	(Laura)	(Belinda)	(Julian)	(Belinda)	Yr 11/12 (Julian)	(Liam)	
8 – 9pm	8 – 9pm	8 – 9pm	8 – 9pm	8 – 9pm	8 – 9pm	8 – 9pm	
Science/Maths	Biology Yr 11/12	English	Maths Ext	English	Maths	Physics	
Yr 9/10		Yr 11/12	Yr 11/12	Yr 11/12	(all levels)	Yr 11/12	
(Laura)	(Laura)	(Belinda)	(Julian)	(Belinda)	Yr 11/12	(Liam)	
					(Julian)		

#### NAPLAN

Students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 will be completing NAPLAN tests during Week 3. Please see the attached timetable for details. All students must bring the following materials.

Pencil 2B or HB or black pen

Eraser

Sharpener

Calculator – Thursday only

#### NAPLAN 2018 paper test timetable

	Tuesday 15 May 2018	Wednesday 16 May 2018	Thursday 17 May 2018
Year 3	Language conventions 40 minutes Writing 40 minutes	Reading 45 minutes	Numeracy 45 minutes
Year 5	Language conventions 40 minutes Writing 40 minutes	Reading 50 minutes	Numeracy 50 minutes
Year 7	Language conventions 45 minutes Writing 40 minutes	Reading 65 minutes	Numeracy 60 minutes
Year 9	Language conventions 45 minutes Writing 40 minutes	Reading 65 minutes	Numeracy 60 minutes

# ROUND



#### 2018 Beijing Round Square Regional Conference (for 13 an 14 year old students) 'Dare to be a Force of Nature!'

It has been a tremendous privilege to have participated in a recent Round Square Regional Conference in Beijing, China over the Easter holidays with six exceptional delegates from TAS' Year 8 and 9 cohorts. Right from the moment this opportunity presented itself, it was a thrill when dozens of students mustered up their courage, made the effort to express their interest in this prospect and put an application through for consideration. I am incredibly grateful to have had the chance to select six high-calibre candidates to represent TAS at this conference themed around the "Environment" component of the Round Square IDEALS.

We were certainly challenged to 'Dare to be a force of Nature' throughout the fourday conference. Our TAS representatives were met with organised and enthused student leaders from Keystone Academy who modelled true leadership and service as they acted as thoughtful Baraza Group leaders. They mediated well amongst 140+ students from the Asia Pacific Region to develop innovative solutions to the very real environmental crises of conscious consumerism, plastics in the ocean, and the need to protect elephants and other endangered species from poaching. From the innovation labs, our TAS delegates hope to ensure one of these small changes can be enacted in the TAS community as part of their pledge to become global citizens. These innovations were further encouraged and affirmed by various keynote speakers throughout the conference, calling on young future leaders, such as our TAS students, to take small, measurable steps towards a more sustainable future.



We truly have returned with a heightened sense of responsibility to ensure the lessons learned from the conference will have an impact in our 'glocal' community. Our delegation is now wanting to start working on a TAS Environmental Policy – to ensure that measures are developed at TAS to help change our global footprint.

Following the conference, we embarked on a post-conference tour to Xi'an, the ancient Chinese capital during the13 Chinese dynasties. While the weather was rather unpredictable in Beijing – with a bit of sun, rain, and even snow, the pleasant conditions in Xi'An allowed our students to fully immerse in the local Chinese culture through dumpling making, biking along the old city walls, climbing the infamously steep Mount Hua, and navigating the overcrowded situation at the Terracotta Warriors, since we visited during a Chinese tomb sweeping public holiday. It allowed our young adventurous travellers to develop a new appreciation for chopsticks, the cultural etiquette around the use of the Lazy Susan, and the most effective way of bartering in street markets. We finished our post-conference tour with a sensational trip back to Beijing and trekked a tiny portion of the Great Wall. Words and photos cannot justify the grandeur nature of this World Heritage Listed site. It was on this final day when our TAS students felt the bittersweet emotion that they are leaving a country filled with thousands of years of history, a place with so much potential of initiating change at a large scale, and more importantly the urge to ensure we must visit China again.

Overall, this Round Square trip was so much more than just a conference about the environment. Upon reflection, our students genuinely felt that every component of the IDEALS was achieved in this one trip alone. I am so incredibly proud to have experienced this trip where I learned more about each of these students personally and appreciated their commitment to our trip motto "It's not wrong; it's just different".

Ms Hannah Lo and Mrs Anna Gayner



## FROM THE CAREERS ADVISOR

#### MR MARK TAYLOR

#### Young Social Entrepreneur's Conference

Penny Lamaro who is the youth worker with Armidale Regional Council has been in touch with the school to promote the Youth Social Entrepreneur's Conference in Armidale on 24 May. She has extended an invitation to Armidale's youth to join the conference and have the opportunity to create social change.

I have posted a copy of her invitation on the school website. Please use the link below for more details.

#### http://wordpress.as.edu.au/ careers/2018/04/30/young-socialentrepreneurs-conference/

## University Early Entry Schemes (UEES)

You may have read in the news recently that there are numerous methods of entering a university and not just the ATAR score allocated after. One of the methods available to students is via the Early Entry programs offered by the individual universities. These are individually based and each university set their own criteria for their program so therefore there is no consistency between institutions and you have to apply separately to each if you wish to make use of their Early Entry program. I have sent to the Year 12 cohort a copy of a document that outlines the UEES available and the universities that offer them. I have also posted a copy on the school's Careers webpage for anyone who is interested as well. The link is below will take you to the page.

http://wordpress.as.edu.au/careers/2018/04/30/university-early-entry-schemes-uees/

#### Events & Scholarships Newsletter - UTS

Faculty events are kicking-off this month for Midwifery and Business. UTS also has exciting Engineering and IT events coming up in the following months. See the link below for important dates.

#### Do your students want to get paid while they're studying?

Are any of your students interested in accounting, engineering or information technology? Round 1 applications for UTS co-op scholarship programs (valued up to \$66,000) closes in June 2018. See the link below for more details. Below is a link to the website where you can find the full newsletter.

#### https://sendstudio.itd.uts.edu.au/sendstudionx/display.php?M=1559744&C=f1b2c 1c84e90ced022cc2496006bc963&S=32184&L=2081&N=20249

Mr Mark Taylor

## FROM THE DIRECTOR OF CO-CURRICULAR

#### MR WILL CALDWELL

#### TAS Rugby Carnival

It is such a privilege to be a part of the TAS Rugby Carnival – working alongside an army of students, staff and parents, many of them having no direct association with rugby but working tirelessly before, during and after the carnival. They volunteer their time to create something that we are all immensely proud of and to be a part of a team of volunteers, contributing to something bigger than themselves.

On the first weekend of the holidays TAS was buzzing as 44 teams of 11 and 12 year olds played 108 games over two days. The crowds of parents and friends who lined the eight fields were in awe of event, the grounds and the facilities but above all the generosity of spirit that makes this carnival so special.

Our special guest, Wallaby Coach Michael Cheika, captivated the audience young and old with his honest and personal views on Rugby. He highlighted the need to enjoy what you do but emphasised that enjoyment is more than having fun – it is the lessons learned, the relationships formed, the life experiences and the character developed along the way.

The carnival demonstrates the power of an experience. Long after their TASRC truckies cap fades and withers this experience will live on. I extend my sincere thanks to all those who made it possible.

The most prestigious award (in fact the only trophy presented), is to the team that demonstrates the greatest sportsmanship. This year, the trophy was awarded to the Toowoomba Bears.



Tom Ball was awarded by the TAS team as their player of the carnival (thus the jersey) (Pictured above with Wallabies Coach, Michael Cheika)

#### Term 2 Schedules

Whilst I hope that you all had the opportunity to relax and spend some quality time together over the holidays, I suspect there was barely time for the engines to cool after the intensity of Term 1.

Term 2 offers a fresh start with just as many opportunities for students to engage. This weekend our Rugby teams will head off to Coonabarabran to play against Kinross Wolaroi School, whilst Opens Football, Netball and Hockey will be in full swing locally. I encourage all teams to recognise this as the beginning of their journey; set their goals, learn from the experience and enjoy every moment.

A copy of the Training Schedule and Coaching Allocation is attached.

#### **Farrer Fixtures**

On 11 May TAS will host Farrer to compete for the Dick Hodgson Shield. Fixtures will take place in Rugby, Football, Chess, Debating, Basketball and Tennis. A complete program of events will be available shortly.



Mr Will Caldwell

#### TeamApp - Be part of the Team

Another reminder for parents, students and supporters to sign up to Team App for their chosen sport. It is an excellent way to keep up to date with fixtures information, team selections, results, etc. Simply:

Download "TeamApp" from the Apps Store.

Search for "[your sport] – The Armidale School".

Register as a Player or Supporter.

Turn on Notifications.

You are now on The Team

Please contact the MIC of your sport if you require assistance.

#### Mr Will Caldwell Director of Co-curricular

### Middle School/Senior School Winter Sports Training Schedule- Terms 2/3 2018

FULL SPORTS	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday/Sunday	
FOOTBALL Opens		Doody Park 4.30-6.00pm	Doody Park 3.45-5.00pm	1 <sup>st</sup> XI - Doody Park 4.30-6pm			
16s		Adamsfield 3.45-5.00pm		Cricket Oval 3.45-5.00pm			
14s		Cricket Oval 3.45-5.00pm		Adamsfield 3.45-5.00pm			
12s - Year 6		Dangar Field 3.45-5.00pm	Dangar Field 3.45-5.00pm			Game SATURDAY	
12s - Year 5	Adamsfield 3.45-5.00pm						
10s	Wakefield Nth 3.45-5pm						
8s & 9s	Cricket Oval 3.45-5.00pm						
6s & 7s	Dangarfield 3.45-5.00pm						
HOCKEY Opens		UNE Turf 5.00-6.00pm	UNE Turf 5-6pm (1sts Only)				
13s,16s		UNE Turf 3.45-5.00pm					
9s, 11s			UNE Turf 3.45-5.00pm				
Games (all)	For all Games please refer to draw for game days and times						
NETBALL Teams 1 & 2		MS Courts 3.45-5.00pm		MS Courts 4.30-6.00pm			
Teams 3,4,5,6		MS Courts 3.45-5.00pm	MS Courts 3.45-5.00pm			Games SATURDAY	
Netta	MS Courts 3.45-5.00pm						
RUGBY Opens		Doody Park 4.45-6.00pm	Backfield 3.45-5.00pm	Doody Park 4.45-6.00pm			
16s		Wakefield Nth 3.45-5.00pm		Wakefield Nth 3.45-5.00pm			
15s	Backfield 3.45-5.00pm		Wakefield Nth 3.45-5.00pm			Game SATURDAY	
14s	Wakefield Sth 3.45-5pm		Wakefield Sth 3.45-5.00pm				
13s		Wakefield Sth 3.45-5.00pm		Wakefield Sth 3.45-5.00pm			
SQUASH		Smith House 3.45-5.15pm		Smith House 3.45-5.15pm			
SHOOTING	Small Bore Range 3.45-5.15pm		Small Bore Range 3.45-5.15pm			Full Bore Range 3.45-5.15pm	

Extra Sports	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday/Sunday
CROSS COUNTRY		TBC	3.45pm-5.15pm Moran Oval	TBC		TBC Comps
DANCE			3.45pm-5.00pm McConville			
GIRLS RUGBY 7s			Training Time-TBC Cricket Oval		Games	
SWIMMING		TAS Pool 6.15am		TAS Pool 6.15am		

## TAS THE ARMIDALE

#### Winter Sports Staff Allocation 2018

Football	Richard Newton (MIC)	Hockey		Tania & Michael Ball (MIC)	Rugby	Todd Currell (Co-ordinator)
	Luke Polson ( Co-ordinator)	OPENS A Gra	nde Mens	Caleb Dobos/Suzie Wright Mgr	1 st XV	Alan Jones / AJ Whalley
Opens Manager	Julie Flanagan	B Grade B	lue Mens	TBC/Michael Ball	2nd XV	Clarrie Moran/Mick Barry
Fitness	Michael Keenan	B Grade White Mens		TBC	Opens Manager	Alex Ziesemer
1 st XI	Christian Nexo/Thomas Hyatt	CGra	nde Mens	Annabel Sheehan/Alex Alker	16s Manager	Belinda Macri
2nd XI	Cameron Patrick	2nd Div.	Womens	Alex Portell	16s Coaches	Michael Holland/Scott Bremner
3rd XI	Christian Gill	3rd Div.	Womens	Catey Curtin/Sandra Kaynes Mgr		Jordan Lucas
4th XI	Rami Bahnas	Fitness		Michael Keenan		Ben MacDougall
16A	Alan Shortt	U16s Mixed	Year 10	Barney Buntine		Ben Hamparsum
16B	Patrick O'Connor		Year 9	Michelle Jackson/David Toakley Mgr	15s Manager	Jen Goldsworthy/Amy Mahon
14A	Liam Treavors		Year 8	Jaime Curran	15s Coaches	Matt Crosby
14B	Jacob Hunt/Matt Rankmore	U16s Girls		Fiona Porter		Ben Spence, Ardene Ruhone
Juniors Manager	Hannah Lo	U13s Mixed	Year 7	Alexandra Murray		Angus Roxborough
12 (Year 6 Blue)	Michael Baumgartner		Year 6	Elaine McKellar	14s Manager	Harriet Symons
12 (Year 6 White)	Inga Stappen	U13s Girls		Phoebe Wood/Barney Buntine Mgr	14s Coaches	Jamie Brauer
12 (Year 5)	Kirsty Brunsdon	U11s Mixed		Norm Cowan		Will Bourke/Craig Norrie
10 (Year 4 Blue)	Tania Hardin	U9s		Donella Tutt (Kitty McPhie)		Max Qorovarua, Bailey Simmons
10 (Year 4 White)	Veronica Waters	Student Assistan	ts	Kitty McPhie, Sterling George	13 Manager	Amanda Robins
10 (Year 3)	Stephen Thompson/Nick Jackson			Lily Neilson, Lucy Ball	13 Coaches	Mark Taylor
8s	Thomas Powell			Geogia Kaynes, Belle Perrottet		Angus Quail
7s	David Drain/Emerson Browning			Georgina Watson		John Goudge
6s	Gill Downes/ Millie Bonnici	Netball		Rachel Harrison (MIC)		Nick Flannery
Student Assistants	Emerson Browning			Alice Hudson (Admin.)	TASRC Coaches	Michael Holland
	Millie Bonnici, Nicholas Jackson	TAS#1		Dakota Scott		lan Lloyd
		TAS #2		Emma Channon	TASRC Assistants	Dan Lethbridge, Angus Smith
Shooting	David Lawrence (MIC)	TAS#3		Zach Hocking	Rugby Travel Staff	Rachael Ed monds
	Alisdair Hey	TAS#4		Charlotte Hunt		Marshall Ross
	Angus Murray	TAS #5		Alex Pollitt		Chloe Prado
	Mark Morton	TAS#6		Amy Mahon		Karen Hutton
	Lewis Wilde	JS Netball		Anna Frost		
		Student Assistan	ts	Harriet Wickman, Georgie Orman	JS Sports Co-ordinator	Christine Wright
				Ellen Coote, Amelia Griffiths	-	-
Extra Sports						
Cross Country	Jim Pennington	Girls 7s Rugby		Alix Goudge	Weights Room	Chris Doherty
Dance	Jane Chivers	Student	Assistant	Sophie Tongue		Ben Buckland
Equestrian	Gen Geyle-Chick	Water Polo		Todd Currell	Hawkesbury CC	TBC

# CO-CURRICULAR



#### **RUGBY – TAS v KINROSS**

#### Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2018

#### At Coonabarabran

#### No.1 Oval Chappell St Coonabarabran

Breakfast: 6:00am U13,U14, U15, U16, Opens (boarders only Dining Hall)

**Buses:** Depart - 6.45am Saturday from front of school (please be there before 6:30am)

Return - U13s - U16s, depart at 3:20pm (arrive TAS approx. 7:00pm)

1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> XV depart after Speeches approx. 4:30pm. (arrive TAS approx. 8:30pm)

- BUS 1 (Edwards 57) Opens
- BUS 2 (Oxley 48) 16s
- BUS 3 (Oxley 57) 15s
- BUS 4 (Oxley 62) 14s & 13s

#### DINNER FOR BOARDERS IN TAS DINING ROOM ON RETURN - Opens Bus Dinner en-route to TAS.

TAS v KWS	Venue	Time
1 <sup>st</sup> XV	Main Oval	2:45 pm
2 <sup>nd</sup> XV	Main Oval	1:30 pm
3 <sup>rd</sup> XV *	Main Oval	12:00 pm
16A	Main Oval	11:00 am
16B	Oval 2 (Dog Track)	12:00 pm
15A	Oval 3 (Back oval)	2:00 pm
15B	Oval 3 (Back oval)	1:00 pm
14A	Oval 2 (Dog Track)	1:00 pm
14B *	Oval 2 (Dog Track)	11:00 am
13A	Oval 3 (Back oval)	12:00 pm
13B	Oval 3 (Back oval)	11:00 am

\* 3 x 20 minute thirds

**Lunch:** All staff and students will be issued a lunch ticket to be used at Canteen. *Full Canteen in operation all day co-ordinated by Coonabarabran Junior Rugby Club.* 

Dress: - U13s – U16s: TAS polo shirt and shorts, TAS track suit, joggers, cap

- Opens: TAS formals

Cost: All students \$50 charged to school accounts.

#### Coonabarabran Cup

The teams involved in the 1<sup>st</sup> XV fixture will play for the 'Coonabarabran Cup'. Both schools would like to acknowledge the outstanding support of the Coonabarabran Junior Rugby Club in the running of this fixture.

# FROM THE CREATIVE ARTS COORDINATOR MR ANDREW O'CONNELL

There's plenty kicking off immediately in the world of Creative Arts and that always promises for a packed term. From cocurricular activities to professional productions and the term capped off with Middle School's *Shrek the Musical JR.*, there will always be plenty to hear about in this section of TAS Talks each week.

#### Firstly, Junior School Drama Club

commenced Tuesday afternoon and will happen every Tuesday afternoon this term. If our theatrical Junior School students are interested send an email through to Mrs Cleaver (Icleaver@ as.edu.au) and any Middle School or Senior School students who would like to volunteer to help would be very welcome. Starting this Thursday will be both the Middle School Technical Production Club and a brand-new Senior School Technical Production Club. Both happen at respective lunches on Thursday and all are welcome to come and learn about theatrical sound and lighting design and operation. And this Thursday afternoon all members of Middle School's **Shrek the Musical JR** have a rehearsal to catch up and see where the show is after the holiday break. More emails will be going out to students and parents and I wish that cast the very best as they work in overdrive to prepare for performances in June.

Students participating in the NSW Shakespeare Carnival need to send an email to me so we can see how their preparations are going - finalising the school representatives will need to happen in the coming week so we can set our sights on the Regional Carnival. And one last brand-new activity is **TAS Art Attack** - on Monday and Thursday afternoons 3:30pm - 5pm students in Years 6 - 12 have the opportunity to come into Hoskins and work on Art competitions, learn new skills or have a space for their own artmaking. All are welcome so come along to the upstairs art room one of those afternoons and get involved.

While our cocurricular program grows in busyness so too does the busyness of the Hoskins Centre. We will host a number of external productions this term that are open to students, families and members of the public with tickets to all shows available through the Hoskins Centre website - hoskins.as.edu.au. First up we have Veracity Theatre Company presenting the classic Australian black comedy *Cosi*, a play that follows the bumpy ride of a group of asylum inmates attempting to stage Mozart's opera. The cast includes Old Armidaleans Will Smidt and Jacob Hunt, Tahnee Denton (the sister of Mrs Cleaver), yours truly (stretching his acting range to play a manic theatre-obsessed madman) and directed by Hoskins' own Michael Cornford. The show opens this Thursday night and runs until 13 May - because of the coarse language this one might be for students in Year 9 and up but any fans of Australian theatre should definitely get along.

Following **Cos**i we have the professional touring production **The Orchid and the Crow** on Wednesday 16 May. It is an irreverent variety show of comedy and storytelling that is succinctly described as "A comedy about an atheist surviving cancer by finding God in Lance Armstrong." It has won awards nationally and internationally and should be a truly special night for older audiences. The special performances continue to roll through with Melbourne City Ballet bringing a spirited adaptation of **Carmen** to the Hoskins Centre stage on 1 June. It is a first for Hoskins to have a professional dance company performing a ballet and I've been assured that this vibrant and bold production will have have audiences en garde!

Don't miss this one as who knows the next time Armidale audiences will get another chance like this.

Our last professional show for the term is the *Melbourne International Comedy Festival Roadshow* on Tuesday 12 June. Always a fan-favourite in the calendar, this year the performers include: Sarul Channa, a female stand-up comic from Singapore; Suzi Ruffell from the USA; and Josh Earl, host of Spicks and Specks; with one more comic left to be revealed. Definitely a night only for the senior students and adults, if you need some laughs to warm you up as the winter weather creeps in then this is the night for you.

#### Mr Andrew O'Connell

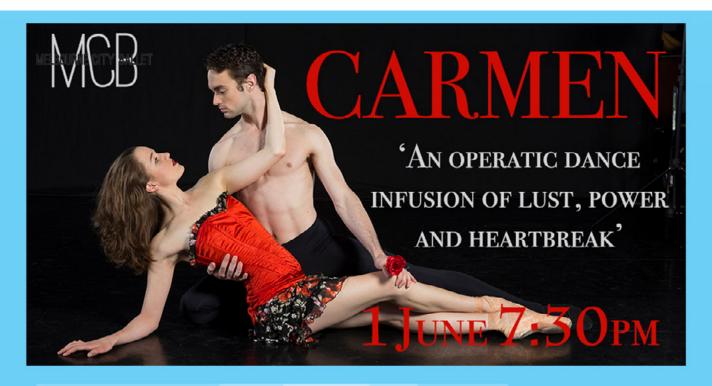


# COMING SOON TO TAS HOSKINS CENTRE



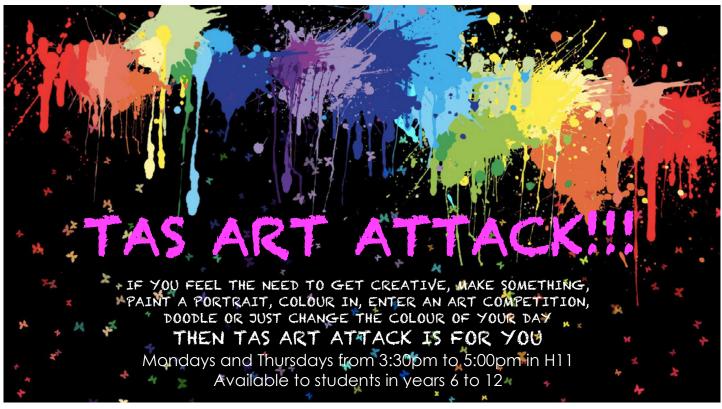
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## FROM THE HEAD OF MIDDLE SCHOOL

#### **MR MARK HARRISON**

Hallmarks of the new Term: as outlined in this week's Town Meeting, it's slightly shorter than its predecessor, furiously busy with winter sports (remember that co-curricular events began on Tuesday and weekend commitments will start this week as well), 'exam-packed' and, I hope for all, it's going to be rewarding. I'm looking forward to it and want students to be engaged with it as well. The holiday, curiously, has felt longer than two short weeks, probably I suspect because of the amazing weather that everyone I have spoken to enjoyed, and I hope the students feel the same way. It was necessary though, and I hope your time with our shard 'charges' was both relaxed and exciting.

I enjoy being in the Middle School because all staff are in a position where we can actually do something about making life for these Middle School people more engaged, productive, rewarding and ultimately, more enjoyable. Personal experience is a great teacher. It's been said before but its importance warrants repetition: the busier these young adolescents are the better, eventually, they will be. Of one thing about TAS we can be reasonably certain, there's rarely a day that passes without something being 'on' and we actively encourage our girls and boys to do the 'head first thing' and, only then, to reflect on the completed activity. Reflection on 'missed opportunity' can be a fruitless exercise. If your children have indicated that they've not been doing enough to keep themselves actively engaged, then I've 'missed' something that's important to them. Encourage them to talk to us. By all means, you talk to us as well.

It's your bounden duty to tell me, too. I assure you, there's plenty of opportunity for boys and girls to feel a personal sense of satisfaction and if yours have a feeling of 'isolation', for lack of better terminology, just tell me. I say this in a lot of my interviews with children - they have a right to be happy at school and we have a responsibility to assist them. Having said this, it isn't our job to instruct students in all that they do – they're old enough to take responsibility for themselves, in a number of areas, and to make wise decisions. We can help of course if they seek advice. But, it's definitely my/our job to let them know what's available to them at TAS.

As indicated this term is partly characterised by formal assessments, which culminates in a battery of exams. I've already spoken to some parents about the exams and would be happy to field enquiries about them. I want each student's experience of them to be as palatable as possible, meaning that questions and concerns must be addressed before the exam week. So, don't be hesitant to call or send an email to us, especially if you do have concerns. It's our job, as far as possible, to allay your concerns about them as well. Our students, of course, will be receiving information that relates directly to their management and completion of these assessments. The best advice anyone can give to all is 'work well and do your best'. Don't worry, between us, we've considerable experience dealing with preparation, management of time and execution - of examinations, of course.

It's very important that you read the Headmaster's newsletter, sent towards the end of the holiday break – it outlines the School's new Mobile Phone Policy.

Mr Mark Harrison Head of Middle School



Mr Mark Harrison



## FROM THE HEAD OF JUNIOR SCHOOL

#### MR IAN LLOYD

#### Round Square Conference

It was a real pleasure to host the Australasia and East Asia Regional Round Square Conference during the holidays and I commend and congratulate all those involved in both its planning and organisation. Junior and Middle School had eight student delegates, three of whom were from Year 5 – Millie Coupland, Ty Schalk–O'Brien and Nicholas Thomas.

Along with a large number of Year 11 Leaders, groups of students joined together to access an incredibly wide range of thought provoking activities and forums, focusing on the conference theme, 'Humanity in Action - Remembering our Past, Appreciating our Present and Building our Future'. With 15 schools participating (including three from Indonesia, South Korea and Bangladesh), students were able to immerse themselves in experiences that prompted them to challenge themselves physically and intellectually, while making new friends from varied locations and having a wonderful time.

There were a number of indigenous speakers and performers who explained, through demonstration and participation in dance and story telling, their ancient culture of belonging; Bernie Shakeshaft and his crew from Backtrack and Anthony Kelly showcased their skills and understanding in learning about building relationships and challenging oneself to be a better person; Major Grant Prendergast spoke to us about the traditions of the ANZACS. For many, the main highlights included the various excursions to Uralla for fossicking and learning about Thunderbolt; to Point Lookout, the Trout Hatchery and 'One Tree' where they viewed and learnt about agricultural sustainability; to the Armidale Anzac Day Service, where they joined other members of the School to TAS TALKS | 18

commemorate the Anzacs. I was extremely proud of our own delegates and congratulate them on participating so enthusiastically throughout. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank the organising committee - Anna Barnier, Luke Polson, Anna Gayner, Phoebe Wood, Kirsty Brunsdon, Barney Buntine, Mark Harrison as well as the huge number of others who contributed in so many ways. Of particular note, was the contribution of a large number of senior student who volunteered their time to lead our Baraza groups (an African term for village meeting involving a cross section of the community). They were outstanding representatives of the School, facilitating genuine reflection and understanding. They were also invaluable to the running of the program and were deservedly the recipients of high praise from our visiting staff. Without them, the program would not have been possible and I thank them. I include a quote from a letter of thanks from one of the attending Heads of School, who wrote to us with some wonderful feedback.



Mr Ian Lloyd

"Having only commenced at my own school at the beginning of last year, I was still coming to terms with Round Square and what it was seeking to achieve. A few days at the Armidale School has addressed this and I now feel I have a really great understanding of this program. The few days with you all has definitely lit a flame within me and has me excited for the future. I am keen to see as many students as possible exposed to Round Square in the forthcoming years."



Jnr Round Square Conference - What a wonderful occasion for all involved!



Anthony Kelly with some Baraza Group Leaders



Bernie Shakeshaft and his Backtrack crew provided an inspirational session focusing on developing meaningful relationships

#### Anzac Day

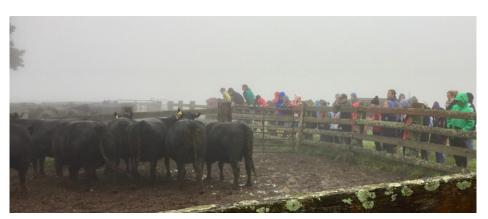
Along with aa the delegates from the various schools, I was very pleased that Junior School had good numbers at the Town Service on ANZAC Day. It was another memorable occasion with TAS being so well represented in many ways.



Kim Bange with Millie Coupland, representing TAS on Anzac Day and laying the School Wreath.



Community Service projects assisting LandCare with some tree planting



Cattle demonstration at sunny 'One Tree' property on Pt Lookout Rd.

#### Staffing Term 2 - 2018

We welcome Mrs Prudence Woods to Junior School who is replacing Mrs Lana Hawksford on Year 3 while she is away on Long Service Leave. Mrs Woods has been teaching for more than 20 years with a Masters of Education specialising in English. She has held many leadership positions throughout her career and come to us with outstanding recommendations. Mrs Nicole Mackson is replacing Mrs Rachel Butcher who is also taking Long Service Leave. Nicole is a very experienced teacher, and well known to TAS. We warmly welcome them both to Junior School and hope they have a wonderful time with us. We are very fortunate to have retained Inga Stappen and Michelle Jackson as our Gappies as they have been doing an outstanding job and a real asset to our students.

#### Mother's Day

Junior School would like to invite all our mums and other wonderful carers to celebrate Mother's Day on Friday11May from 12.25 pm. All our classes have been preparing to pamper and share some Mother's Day with great activities and they are all very excited for the day. The School will be asking for you to rsvp for catering purposes soon and we hope you will be able to join us for this happy occasion.

#### **Class Assemblies**

I extend an invitation to you all to come along and have a look at our Junior School assemblies each Wednesday afternoon at 2.45pm, usually in the Hoskins Centre. These assemblies provide the host class with a great opportunity to showcase work they have done, often artistic or musical in nature, and gives all students an opportunity to use the microphone and present their work and thoughts to their peers and families. They are often amusing, generally interesting and usually very entertaining! They are also an opportunity for the acknowledgement of special achievements with the awarding of our School Spirit Awards, recognising outstanding contributions to our school. Assemblies have become an integral part of the TAS offering for our students and an important moment in the term for each and every one of them. I look forward to seeing you there.

#### Uniform and Hair

School uniform is flexible for the next two weeks in the Junior School as the weather can be so variable. Families can choose whether their child comes to School in either their winter or summer uniform depending on the weather. From Week 3 though, all children are expected to wear winter uniform. Additionally, sports uniform is only to be worn on the days students have a TAS sport (not those days when they have PE which has become the practice for some). Please ensure all students wear the correct uniform, in a tidy and presentable manner. TAS TALKS | 20

## looking AHEAD

WEEK 1	
Wed 2 May	Yr 4 Assembly - Hoskins Centre 2.45pm
WEEK 2	
Wed 9 May	Yr 1 Assembly – Hoskins Centre 2.45pm
Fri 11 May	Mother's Day lunch and activities –
	12.25 pm JS Covered Area
WEEK 3	
Tue 15 May	NAPLAN Language Conventions & Writing
Wed 16 May	No Assembly
	NAPLAN Reading
	NE Sings Choral Workshop 1.00 – 2.30
Thurs 17 May	NAPLAN Numeracy
	Life Education Van
Fri 18 May	Life Education Van
WEEK 4	
Wed 23 May	Kindergarten Assembly – Hoskins Centre 2.45pm
	Camp Quality Puppet Show 9.00
Fri 25 May	PSSA Cross Country

There has also been a number of haircuts that do not fall into the more conservative category expected by the school. All hair should be tidy and well kept, not cut to make a statement or become ostentatious. For boys, it should be off the collar and ears and for girls, if longer than shoulder length, tied with blue ribbon. It should always be of natural colour. Please work with us if your child has been asked to tidy up their hair and contact me should this become a problem.

#### Absentee advice

If your child is unwell and can't come to school, please notify the Junior School via email to junior@as.edu.au or phone 6776 5817 before 9.00 am.

If your child will be away for any other reason (except medical appointments), please complete the Exemption from School form which can be found on the School website link attached:

#### http://www.as.edu.au/parent-forms/

It is a NESA requirement that we have correct information on students' whereabouts.

#### Influenza and illness

With the flu season beginning, it is important for the School community to be aware that when children develop the flu, we encourage parents to err on the side of caution and keep the germs away from school for five days. Children who have vomiting or diarrhoea during the evening or night should not come to school for at least 24 hours from the last symptom. It is very difficult to manage sick children at school and we feel the best place for children who feel unwell is at home until they feel well enough with the demands of school. We thank you for your assistance and support with this.

Mr Ian Lloyd Head of Junior School

# JUNIOR SCHOOL

#### MRS CHRISTINE WRIGHT

#### Winter Sports season commences

Welcome to Term 2 and the commencement of our Winter sports season for 2018. All games commence this weekend and you should be contacted by your child's coach this week in regard to game times and where to locate your child's draw for the season.

Training will commence for all hockey players this Wednesday and for Netball and Football players next Monday. Our coaches will be endeavouring to meet their teams during school time this week, so all children will be aware who their coach is and who to meet at the games this weekend.

If you are new to our Junior School and are interested in joining a team this term please contact Mrs Christine Wright at cwright@as.edu.au so a sport can be arranged for you.

Please find the Winter sports team list, including coaches here: (Please click to view Winter sports spreadsheet) **HERE** 

#### **PSSA Cross Country**

Last term we were fortunate to have beautiful weather for our annual Cross-Country event, held in Week 11. Following are the results from the day.

#### 6 yr girl

1 Ellen Adams, 2 Lucy Stephen, 3 Cecilia Price 4 Grace Ryan

#### 6 yr boy

1 Baxter Carruthers, 2 Alexander Dell, 3 William Cooper Fillios 4 Ethan Downes

#### 7 yr girl

1 Rebecca Billingsley, 2 Mila Nexo, 3 Mila Wright 4 Layan Alghamdi

#### 7 yr boy

1 Oliver Robb, 2 George Drain, 3 Andrian Zhang 4 Aamer Alazizi

#### 8 yr girl

1 Minnie Chick, 2 Lucy Taylor, 3 Harriet Coupland 4 Izzie Glover

#### 8 yr boy

1 Cameron Carruthers, 2 Xavier Stephen, 3 Arthur White 4 Aziz Binmahfod

#### 9 yr girl

1 Katie Hynes, 2 Ani Anderson, 3 Maitha Alshammari 4 Grace Harkness

#### 9 yr boy

- 1 Hugo Broun, 2 Joe Fenwicke, 3 Peter Thompson 4 Mohammed Almokhtar 10 yr girl
- 1 Paige Sutton, 2 Charlie Ward, 3 Mosie Wright 4 Mila Downes

#### 10 yr boy

1 Blake Whitehill, 2 Oliver Goudge, 3 Charlie Ryan 4 Noah Binmahfod

#### 11 yr girl

1 Millie Coupland, 2 Ruyuf Al Malki

#### 11 yr boy

1 Evan Kwan, 2 Theo Munsie, 3 Flinders Ward 4 Sam Strelitz

All children from 8 years to 11 years who placed in our event are now eligible to compete at the PSSA event in Armidale on Friday, 25 May (Week 4). More information will be given to those children this week.

#### Dance Club



Our Dance group is open for all, along with the other available clubs including Drama, Pottery, Martial Arts, Coding Engineering, and Chess. Please contact junior@as.edu.au for details and application.

**Mrs Christine Wright** 

# COMMUNITY



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#### Welcome

Motion Fitness is ecstatic to present the first HSC Retreat this September 30th-3rd October. All Retreat attendees will stay onsite with the Motion Fitness Team for the 3 nights as we will be staying at a premier holiday home on Sydney's Northern Beaches (final location yet to be confirmed).

This retreat is like no other. Not only do we supply an environment were the individual attendees can broaden their intellectual knowledge in preparation for their HSC, but we also provide a supportive environment were they can grow as young adults.

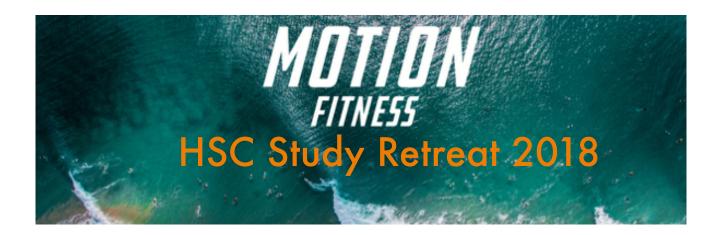
Through out the three days, Retreat attendees will have access and immersion to a number of benefits which make this retreat unique.

We understand an active mind is a mind ready to learn and take on new content, so a solid foundation of activity and fitness is incorporated throughout the entire Retreat. This give the attendees a break from the books but inevitably, puts them in the right mind frame to study.

#### The camp Includes:

-Key presentations from a range of speakers including professional athletes and multi business owners.

-Five meals a day provided and cooked by an in house chef -Multiple fitness/strength sessions daily



-Access to in house facilities -Daily study

#### Still wondering if the retreat is for you?

That is fair but let me convince you slightly. The ideal participant for the Motion Fitness Study Retreat is a student who finds it hard to study alone, loves the outdoors and physical activity but, also a student who strives when in a supportive and positive environment. That is what this retreat is about.

#### **Guest Speakers**

Not only are we presenting in a beautiful environment situated on Sydney's Northern Beaches, but we are providing a range of guest speakers over the course of the stay. We have Parisa Haeri former Australian Female Weightlifting Champion coming in to speak about how she manages running a successful business with multiple clients whilst being a professional athlete.

In addition to Parisa, we have Mathew Clarke who is a multiple business owner here in Sydney. He knows about the ups and downs of life, knows how adversity can influence a person to do great things and how to develop and maintain thorough routines each day.

#### Price

The Motion Fitness Retreat costs \$600 and that includes everything once you arrive. The only thing you need to do is get to Retreat on Day One and we look after the rest.

If you are interested or need to ask a few more questions please email or call Sam Hutton (owner) on the details below.

See you there!

Contact Details Email: <u>samueljohnhutton@gmail.com.au</u> Mobile: 0457458365

## COMMUNITY

#### **Pottery Classes**

Dear Pottery Families,

I trust that you have all enjoyed a nice break and are ready to have lots of fun making pots with us this term. I have worked out some nifty projects that will be great to make and very useful in day to day life.I have really enjoyed making them myself so I am sure the students will too.

The details of the classes are as follows.

Where: Classes are held in Art Room 1 of the Hoskins Centre at TAS. This is the ground floor room on the left as you enter.

Who and When: Years K to 4 are on Tuesdays from 4-5 pm Years 5 and up are on Thursdays from 4-5 pm

These age divisions are a guide only. If you need your child to come on a different day than these guidelines, it is not a problem . Just talk to me about it.

Also , please note that children are welcome to arrive straight after school. We have great fun setting up for the class together.

**Commencement:** Tuesday 8 May Thursday10 May

Each group will have six lessons, then one week off, then a party and exhibition.

**Cost:** The cost is \$150. This includes Instruction, materials, and firing of the work.

To enrol please contact me via email ( weemalpot@yahoo.com.au) or telephone (6772 5371) . When enrolling ,please include your child's name, age and your contact phone number.

If you have any questions please contact me.

Also, if your child came to Term 1 but is not coming for Term 2, I would love to know, so I can make their space available to another child that may wish to come.

Kind regards, Rick Hatch

