

TAS TALKS

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Wednesday 6 June, 2018 Term 2 Week 6

FROM THE HEADMASTER



Mr Murray Guest

Years 6 to 10 Exams

Students in Years 6 to 10 complete their exams this week, marking the half-way point in their academic year. With exams comes a range of emotions, from feelings of anxiety or 'stress' to excitement, relief and, ironically for those who have worked the hardest, a strange feeling of emotional low when they are finished. Students and perhaps parents too will naturally be focused on the results that come from them, but results and rankings are not the purpose of these exams. They will not determine university entry or career paths and in most cases they will not even impact future subject choices. Rather, they are designed to drive study programs, assist in the development of exam technique and extended concentration and enable the very important process of reflection as papers are returned. I wish all our students well for the remainder of their exams and look forward to seeing the reports that will follow.

Year 12 Careers Expo

I enjoyed hearing reports over the weekend from Year 12 students who attended the Careers Expo in Sydney late last week. In a crowded Year 12 calendar, a discerning eye is cast over opportunities like this, so the enthusiasm and positivity I have heard has been heartening. This huge expo held at Moore Park brings together the full gamut of post-school options, from universities to apprenticeships, gap years, defence force recruiting and even the Australian Taxation Office, with a range of seminars to complement direct contact with exhibitors. Whilst such huge breadth of choice might seem overwhelming, the feedback I have heard has been all about the excitement that comes from thinking about new futures. Choices will change over time of course and a good number will have to wait to see what doors their HSC will open, but it is wonderful to see our senior year group focused, purposeful and looking ahead.

Thanks are due to the staff and Old Armidalians from St Andrew's College, St Paul's College and Women's College who welcomed our students and took them on guided tours. Having the opportunity to visit the University of Sydney and some of its most prestigious colleges opened up new horizons and created new aspirations for our students and I know that it was greatly appreciated.

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FROM THE HEADMASTER

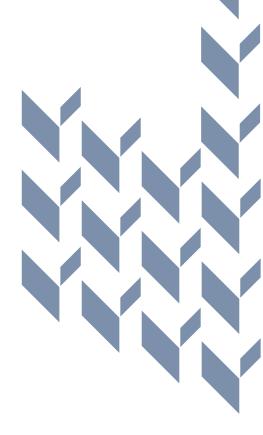
Band Night

The second of the gala evenings for the Armidale Eisteddfod, 'Band Night', was held last night at NECOM (the Old Teachers' College) and TAS was well represented by our drumming troupe, junior band and, of course, the TAS Big Band. I was pleased to see the evening continue the spirit of happy celebration of music, rather than focused competition, that has been evident right through the Eisteddfod this year. It was very clear again last night that the Armidale music community is a closeknit and mutually supportive one and the emphasis on the enjoyment of music fits with that feel perfectly. Rather than detracting from the great dedication of our musicians, this spirit brings a sense of joy to it that is much appreciated and I look forward to seeing, and hearing, this continue into the future.

Poll Hereford Sale

Readers of TAS Talks this week will see Michael Ball's report on the Dubbo Hereford bull show and sale. This is a regular event for the TAS Cattle Team and perhaps the premier event for the breed in Australia. It is also one that highlights the special nature of the TAS co-curricular cattle program. Unlike the majority of schools with cattle programs, TAS is a registered commercial cattle stud, enabling our students to immerse themselves in the real world of the beef industry, getting a taste of its highs and lows, rather than simply fattening and showing donated animals. This demands a good deal more from Mike Ball as our stud manager, but offers a different and significant experience for our students. As you will read in Mike's report, our new young team enjoyed some good success in Dubbo and I congratulate them on it and look forward to seeing more of their efforts into the future.

Murray Guest







CALENDAR OF EVENTS

WEEK 6

Wednesday 6 June Years 6-10 Semester Exams
Thursday 7 June Years 6-10 Semester Exams

Classes Conclude

Friday 8 June Staff Day (No classes)

WEEK 7

Monday 11 June Queen's Birthday Weekend (School Closed)

Tuesday 12 June Classes Resume

Tri-Schools Debating

Wednesday 13 June Year 7/8 Brainstorm Productions in Gym

Saturday 16 June Rugby v Riverview (Sydney)
Sunday 17 June Eisteddfod Gala Concert

NOTICE BOARD

CADETS

Cadets taking part in Activities Day 4 (Wednesday 20 June) and 5 (Monday 27 August) will see students dismissed following parade at 5pm rather than the usual 3.30pm. Students and parents are requested to take this into account when organising after school travel or collections. Further details regarding Activities Day 4 will follow in TAS Talks Week 7.

CAPT Angus Murray
OC TASCU

Photos

Message from MSP regarding Summer photo ordering
Due to problems encountered with the proposed laminated option, the company has reverted to offering the glass framed option, so if and when you log on to order your photo, you again have this option. Care will be taken at all stages of the delivery process to ensure they arrive in your hands undamaged.

Mrs Meg Sadler
Student Services

TAS HOCKEY CLUB DAY

We are delighted to invite you to come along and support TAS Hockey through your participation as a supporter, player and or helper on

Sunday 24 June at HNE Hockey Fields, Sport UNE

Bring your friends and families to watch your child or family member play hockey on this day, and support Hockey in Armidale.

TAS Games will be playing all day on turf one.

You don't need to be there all day just come as you can.

Cakes appreciated, BBQ slots available. For more information please contact Mrs Jo Neilson on jneilson@as.edu.au

CITY TO SURF

If you would like to particiapate in the TAS team for the 2018 City to Surf please contact Mr Jim Pennington on jpenning@as.edu.au to express your interest in the event

This opportunity is open to parens and staff, as well as students.

Armidale Eisteddfod Results

At the conclusion of the Armidale Eisteddfod, TAS will run a special feature in TAS Talks with results from all TAS students. If you would like your child's results included in this report, please send their name, event name and result to Mrs Rachael Edmonds at redmonds@as.edu.au

FROM THE P&F

P&F CANTEENS AND BBOs FOR EVENTS

If you are thinking of holding a BBQ or canteen for any TAS sporting group, event or co-curricular activity the P&F may be able to help with organising this. For more information please contact any of the P&F Executive.

Our next home rugby game is on Saturday 23 June against Sydney High Boys' School. If you would like to help on the Canteen or BBQ please contact me.

TAS Hockey is also having a 'Club Day' out at the UNE Hockey fields on Sunday 24 June. A BBQ and canteen will be running for the day. All our senior men's and women's Teams are playing throughout the day and they would love to have your support. So come out and watch some great hockey, have a snag or a bacon and egg burger and support TAS.

CONTACTING THE P&F

If you want to know what's going on in the P&F join us on Facebook! We regularly post updates on what we are doing, what events are coming up and any other useful information that comes to mind.

We have our own Facebook page – use the keywords TAS Parents and Friends and then 'like' us.

Don't forget each year also has their own Year Group Facebook Page... These are closed groups for parents to catch up on what's happening... Please search for TAS Year 12 and then the year your class will graduate from Year 12. For example, this year's Year 12 Facebook page is TAS Year 12 2018.

Finally, if you have anything you would like to raise with the P&F please either contact your Year Group Liaison Person or any member of the Executive or send me an email on nicollfamily1@gmail.com

BECOME A VOTING MEMBER OF THE P&F

In line with our new Constitution if you wish to be on the Committee or Executive or vote at our meetings you must now become a Voting Member.

To be a Voting Member you just need to fill in a form (use link below) and send it to Jo Neilson jneilson@as.edu.au . CLICK HERE.

Forms can be filled in at any time, including if you pop in to a meeting. This form is also available on the TAS website.

NEXT P&F MEETING WEDNESDAY 27 JUNE - ANNUAL FUNDING **MEETING**

Come and help us spend the money you've helped us raise at the Funding Meeting on Wednesday 27 June at 7pm in the Maxwell Room.

If you would like to come along and help us determine where the money we have raised in the past year should be allocated we'd love to see you there. Meetings are open to all parents... but to vote you need to be a Voting Member just fill in that form!

Alternatively, if you wish to put forward a proposal for the use of funds please send these to Mr Guest as soon as possible so all proposals can be evaluated prior to the meeting.

Funding proposals should be costed, justified and seek to help a significant proportion of school. Any proposal should also be for things that are tangible, something that school wouldn't normally pay for and on the 'really nice to have' list. If you have any queries about the funding process please contact me on nicollfamily1@gmail.com

Mrs Rachael Nicoll P&F President



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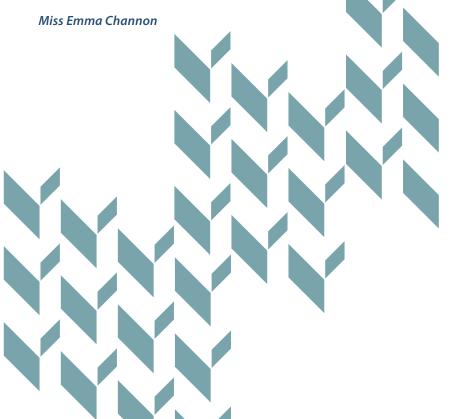
KOKODA 2018

Are you looking for an adventure of a life time? Walking on an incredibly historic track that diggers before us walked? Through the heartland of Papua New Guinea? Applications for Kokoda 2018 are now open!

Departing Brisbane 30 September, returning 10 October - this 10 day, 130km track is filled with rich history you will never forget. TAS students, parents and their friends are all welcome to join this experience.

Lodge your application at https://www.ourspirit.com.au/ for dates 30 September - 10 October or email expressions of interest and any questions to Miss Emma Channon on echannon@as.edu.au









DIRECTOR OF STUDIES

Library Hours

Due to the Long Weekend, the Library will close for students as of 4pm on Thursday 7 June and reopen on Tuesday 12 June at 7:30am. Please see below a reminder of the Extended Day Program.

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 Mr 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.

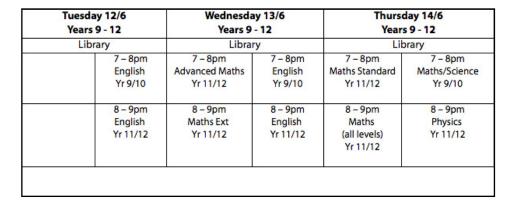
The library will be supervised at all times by Mrs Bremner or Mrs Polson. They are available to give general guidance but not specific tutoring in areas of concern. Day students are able to access the Dining Hall at breakfast or dinner by swiping their Student Card at the door. Costs associated with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

Please be aware, the Library will not be opening on a Saturday or Sunday.

Tutor Timetable - Library

Tutoring is available for students in Years 9-12 in English, Maths, Science, Biology and Physics. Please see the timetable below for Tutoring for Week 8.

Mrs Seonia Wark Director of Studies





Mrs Seonia Wark

ACADEMIC



UN Youth - Evatt and Voice

What is UN Youth? UN Youth Australia is a national youth-led organisation that aims to educate and empower young Australians on global issues.

Registration is now open for any students interested in taking part in either Evatt and/ or Voice. 25-26 July is the only opportunity for students in regional northern NSW to take part in this event, and we are extremely excited to once again act as host.

Evatt: The competition is named after the notable Herbert 'Doc' Evatt, who was an Australian High Court Justice and a leading Federal politician who became President of the UN General Assembly and helped draft the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. To find out more about the Evatt event please visit - https://unyouth.org.au/event/ evatt-nsw/

Voice is a unique public speaking competition for students in Year 7-10, running throughout Term 3. Voice invites you to solve issues that affect your community, nation and the world. From homelessness to climate change we want to hear you pitch your big ideas. To find out more about Voice, please visit - https://unyouth.org.au/event/ voice-nsw/

To register visit the TAS website. **CLICK HERE**

Ms Catherine Boydell **Academic Support Coordinator Learning Support, Extension & Enrichment**



FROM THE

DIRECTOR OF BOARDING

MR MICHAEL HOLLAND

We are past the halfway point of the term and what a busy term it has been with winter sports and examinations. Everyone is very much looking forward to the long weekend and the end of term break is not too far away.

I am writing this week to alert you to our policy pertaining to medications. Simply put, students should not keep their own medications in their Boarding Houses unless they have the direct permission of the Nursing Sister, Jenny Murray, and their Head of House is also aware.

While this is particularly important for prescription and restricted medications, where it could be guite harmful for a student to incorrectly manage dosage, or for the medications to fall into the wrong hands, it extends to all medications.

Even over the counter cold and flu tablets and paracetamol can be harmful and their use should be regulated. This is less about not trusting our students to manage these medications but more about the need for unwell students to be seen by the nurse. This face to face time is crucial in the nurse being able to provide the best care for students as she can make a professional judgement about the student's recovery and arrange for other medical intervention as required.

If your son or daughter is taking new medications or the type or dosage of their medication has changed, the School Sister needs to be aware of this and you should discuss the medications with her.

Sister Jenny Murray can be contacted via email at medicalc@as.edu.au or by phone on 0428 152 291.

Mr Michael Holland





FROM THE

DIRECTOR OF CO-CURRICULAR

MR WILL CALDWELL

Exhale

For those who have been juggling your studies with regular sport, eisteddfods (dance and music), representative duties, bull sales, Shrek rehearsals, horse expo, exams, chess tournaments, virtual debating, eating, sleeping and trying to catch your breath, I hope this long weekend allows you a chance to exhale.

Thank you to all the staff and parents for supporting students through this busy time and well done to all for your endless drive and commitment.

There will be no sport training on Thursday afternoon and no competition on the weekend. So enjoy a well earned rest and recover for the final three weeks of term; they are sure to be as busy as ever.



Mr Will Caldwell

Mr Will Caldwell



CO-CURRICULAR REPORTS

57th Annual Dubbo National Herefords Bull Show and Sale

At the time of writing we have completed the first stage of The 57th Annual Dubbo National Herefords Australia Bull Show and Sale. The TAS Poll Hereford Stud and TAS cattle team were well represented with three bulls and eight students. In tough conditions the TAS students have done an outstanding job in preparing the bulls for this most prestigious event on the Hereford show and sale arena.

The rewards for their efforts were evident onn Monday under the watchful eye of Judge, Mr David Smith of 'Palgrove' Charolais, Ben Lomond, NSW. TAS had three bulls in the line up in various classes from the first junior class to the last senior class and obtained 3 fourth place ribbons. An outstanding result for our small stud and committed students competing against some of the best studs in the country, with an outstanding line-up of Hereford bulls presented across all classes. Congratulations to the entire team of Lucy Ball, Lachie Carter, Sam Skipper, Sam Coombes, Harry Chandler, Ben Burwell, Tom Scifleet, and Sam Atkins. This new and very inexperienced team at this level of showing have really stepped up and done an amazing job. Early starts and late finishes have been the order of the day but all of the team has simply taken it in their stride.

At the time of writing we are looking forward to sale day, where in the current tough conditions in the agricultural industry, we hope the quality of our TAS stud is recognised with a complete clearance.

A further report will follow with the sale results next week.

Mr Mike Ball MIC TAS Poll Hereford Stud



Dance

On the 22 May TAS' inaugural dance troupe competed at the New England Dance Eisteddfod. The girls had been working hard since early Term1 to prepare a performance for this event. Their dedication, hard work and passion for dance have all paid off with Sammie Crossle (Year 10), Hannah Quilty (Year 12), Sarskia Clark (Year 7) and Lydie Taylor (Year kkk8) taking out 1st Place in the Year 11 & 12 Modern/ Contemporary dance section. We had a wonderful day down at this event and the girls and I were just jumping for joy with this result.

Congratulations to these girls, they made history on this day!

Ms Jane Chivers



We march ever closer and closer towards the performances of *Shrek the Musical Jr*. and I want to give a massive thanks to all our volunteers and helpers at the working bees over the weekend, we managed to get a huge amount done on the sets and costumes. Our big job now is to make strides on the painting of the set (and to keep the costumes and props coming together) so we have two more working bee sessions planned - this Thursday 3:30pm - 5:30pm and next Monday afternoon 2pm - 5pm. For anyone who is free or back from the long weekend we would absolutely love some more helpers so please pop on by the Hoskins Centre with your can-do attitude. And again I encourage our cast to really step it up in terms of their energy in rehearsals - with many hours being dedicated to ensure you look great on stage you want to match that wow-factor with the level of polish in your songs, dances and scenes.

Yesterday the Screenwise group ran a film workshop for students in Years 7 - 11, with over 20 students in attendance to learn about the craft of writing, directing, shooting and editing film. All reports from the students are that it was an excellent experience and many have already been inspired to get involved with the REC Ya Shorts youth film festival later in the year. More material will be forwarded through about the competition and if you want to know more swing by the Hoskins Centre office.

Today we host the NSW Regional Shakespeare Carnival with local schools and visitors as far as Ballina and Grafton headed our way to discover who will represent the region at the State carnival in Sydney at the end of the term. TAS has a number of participants in the different categories and competition is sure to be fierce. I commend all involved on the hard work they've already invested in their preparations and will post the results in next week's TAS Talks.

And by the time you read this the gargantuan Armidale Eisteddfod bands and ensembles events will have wrapped up - check out Music Matters for all the details and updates and celebrate the wonderful involvement and achievement of our TAS students. I can't believe the tireless efforts of our staff and students, they deserve to be wholeheartedly applauded for the time and effort given over to this massive event.

Finally, next Tuesday we have the Melbourne International Comedy Festival Roadshow sending us a batch of fiercely talented comics to delight audiences and beat the cold with belly laughs. There are a number of recognisable national and international acts and more information on the lineup can be found on the Hoskins Centre website (hoskins.as.edu. au) as well as tickets. But my guess is this is one show best enjoyed by only our most Senior students or parents so for a night of (somewhat unpredictable) adult entertainment get along to Hoskins early next week.

Mr Andrew O'Connell







Based on the DreamWorks Animation Motion Picture and the Book by William Steig

BROADWAY JUNIOR COLLECTION®

TAS Hoskins Centre

Thursday 21 June 7pm
Friday 22 June 2pm & 7pm
Saturday 23 June 7pm

Tickets

\$15 adults \$10 students
Bookings: https://www.trybooking.com/VLTD

Book and Lyrics by David Lindsay-Abaire

Music by Jeanine Tesori

Originally produced on Broadway by DreamWorks Theatricals and Neal Street Productions
Original Production Directed by Jason Moore and Rob Ashford
"I'm a Believer" by Neil Diamond

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MR MARK HARRISON

Half Term

Well, this time they've 'well and truly' arrived and so far, so good. In fact, because of our new staggered system they've finished for some. As I write this, however, there are two students who are using my room to complete their Year 6 HSIE paper. As indicated a few weeks ago, I believe these young people are as ready as they can be and that the timing of the examinations, over this two-week period, is as fair as it can be during this term. Certainly, any later would be a little unwise, really. The term, as indicated, is not an especially long one, but it is characteristically 'full' and, per the pundits' predictions, it's become very cool, very quickly. Accordingly, the combined weather and pace considerations would make students too tired if exams 'fell' later in the term. I know that staff have been working through the exam schedule booklets and that girls and boys have been assisted wherever possible. But, when 'it all boils down' students need to take responsibility for their performance during the scheduled exam weeks. This level of responsibility is something that you both pay for and expect - we do our best to fulfill our end of the bargain. By the way, thank you to those of you who've taken the time to contact us about the exam schedule booklets - your comments about them are affirming and we're as sure as you are about their worth to younger adolescents for whom the greatest values in relation to exams are technique, time management and process.

Please, if there are others of you who have any enquiries about the exam schedule booklets, timetables and preparation times, I ask that you contact, in the first instance, your children's Homeroom teachers.

These are the people who best know 'specifics' as they relate to individual year groups and students within specific classes.

Queen's Birthday Weekend

I advise that all students have a good rest this coming long weekend. While the majority will be at home they should sit down or at least to have some time to themselves. Time permitting, it would also be good if you could talk to them about how they feel they 'faring'. If there are any issues, I'd appreciate it if you could contact Homeroom teachers (again, in the first instance) or me. As indicated, it is important that we are aware of all 'computations and permutations' as they relate to this important aspect of school life. Pressure is something that we all have to deal and our collective responsibility to assist boys' and girls' management of it in the Middle School. I know that they are feeling it as some have been a bit restive of late. I guess this makes them normal - in fact, as adults, we're tired and testy too, to be honest. It's our collective job to inculcate coping mechanisms for these young people.



Mr Mark Harrison

Course Outcomes

Depending on the time of the year at staff meetings, assessment/examination results are discussed and it's only right that you should be given some domestic wisdom about NESA and TAS A – E Grades information. Below I've included the explanation of Grades as they will appear on Semester Reports and before that, our collective interpretation of these Grades for Years 7 and 8, hopefully in a more palatable form.

N (N/A)=No Attempt

E (0-4) = Difficulties (still working on foundational aspects, comprehension of question/task and mechanics of work required – has demonstrated limited progress has been towards achieving core outcomes)

D (5-8) = Developing (some engagement with concepts/task but still confirming knowledge and method of expression – has demonstrated that progress has been made towards achieving core outcomes)

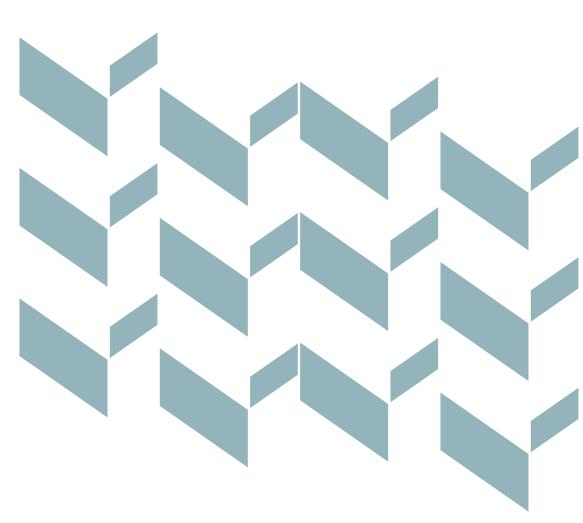
C (9-12) = Competent (engagement with most or all concepts, appropriate form displaying adequate control of specific language required – has grasped core outcomes)

B (13-16) = Substantial (engagement with all concepts and expression of ideas in an increasingly refined way – has acquired core outcomes & demonstrates their application in new contexts)

A (17-20) = Excellent (detailed, complex and considered understanding of concepts demonstrated in a sophisticated way – highly developed ability to apply core outcomes to new & demanding contexts)

Our job is to support students and if you've any ideas/comments that may assist us, please let us know. Together, we'll get this done.

Mr Mark Harrison Head of Middle School

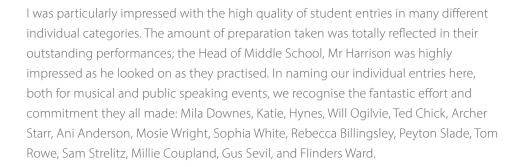


HEAD OF JUNIOR SCHOOL

MR IAN LLOYD

Armidale Eisteddfod

Congratulations are due to all those who so courageously participated in this year's Eisteddfod as individuals. Being centre stage is often challenging and I have always admired those who perform seemingly without the stage fright that so many endure. To Year 2, winning their division against all-comers was well-deserved (just pipping Year 1 at the post in a very close finish); their renditions of "Staying home from School today and "I made a New Password", both by Kenn Nesbitt, were outstanding. Year 4 also performed admirably to finish a close second to a very polished Ben Venue. In the senior divisions, all performances were of a very high quality. Kindergarten were also very confident, enthusiastic and Highly Commended in their non-competitive age group.





Year 2 celebrating their Eisteddfod win on the steps of the Old Teachers College. now the New England Conservatorium of Music.



Mr Ian Lloyd

National Trust Saumarez Art Competition

TAS was very pleased to have been in a position to support this art competition, run recently by the National Trust and recognising the role the White Family from 'Saumarez' Armidale in supported the war effort in the First and Second World Wars. Our students found the subject highly challenging and we recognise the great art works they all contributed. Congratulations go to Gus Sevil and Bonnie Blanch for winning their divisions, and Millie Coupland for being placed third.



UNE Teaching Placement – Year 4AF

It is great to welcome Mr Will Waterson back to TAS (OA 2015) as he completes a four week placement. He will spend his time with Ms Anna Frost on Year 4 and we wish him well for his time with us.

Canteen

From time to time the Canteen Price List on the TAS Website changes according to availability and wholesale purchase price. For this reason, we ask that the list not be printed and that it be checked on the website every time a lunch order is being placed to ensure the correct money is being given and that the requested item is still available.





If you have any queries in relation to the canteen, please call Sally on 6776 5804.

Lost Property

With Winter upon us, I take this opportunity to remind everyone to ensure all items of clothing are clearly labelled. We have already received multiple requests to look out for lost jumpers, jackets and hats. Being named, some have found their way back to their owners but some have not as they are without names. Please make every effort to help us by naming all belongings brought to school.

Uniform

Throughout Terms 2 and 3, all students must wear winter uniform and we ask for your help in making sure your child is wearing the uniform correctly, arriving at school with shirts tucked in, ties and shoelaces done up. The School will also be looking at Chappell hats and asking those that have gone past their use-bydate to be replaced. Each child needs to take pride in their presentation and know how to wear the uniform correctly and we ask you to help us with this.

Giggle Disco

A reminder that this Friday 8 June 2018, Camp Quality is holding a Giggle Disco at Armidale City Bowling Club. The Disco will start at 6.00pm and conclude at 7.30pm. The age bracket is for 5 to 13 year old children. The disco promises to be a fun-filled night that focuses on bringing the community together to help support local families. The funds raised are used for Recreation Camps, Fun Therapy activities and other support services that are provided for our local children and families who are living with cancer. Tickets can be pre-purchased at Armidale City Bowling Club on 6772 5666 and the Camp Quality poster is attached at the back of this newsletter.

School Spirit Award Recipients – Week 3 & 4

Congratulations to the following students for receiving School Spirit Awards at last week's assembly:

Ellen Adams, Flinders Ward, Izzie Glover, Jack Wood, Lucas Hu, Braith Westaway, George Drain, Lachlan Brett, Iles Baker and Grace Harkness.

Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday to Josie Buntine and Dominic Leary who both celebrate their special days this week.

Mr Ian Lloyd Head of Junior School

LOOKING AHEAD

TERM 2

WEEK 6

Wed 6 June Year 2 Assembly – Memorial Hall from

2.45pm

Fri 8 June Staff Day – School Closed
Camp Quality Giggle Disco

WEEK 7

Mon 11 June Queen's Birthday Public Holiday

Tues 12 June Classes resume

Wed13 June Year 3 Assembly – Hoskins Centre

2.45pm

ICAS Spelling Exam

Activities Day No 4

WEEK 8
Wed 20 June

WEEK 9

Wed 27 June

Thu 28 June Fri 29 June

TERM 3

WEEK 1

Mon 23 Jul Tue 24 Jul Transition Assembly – Hoskins Centre

2.45pm

Classes Conclude

Staff Day

Staff Day - School Closed

Classes Resume



JUNIOR SCHOOL SPORT

HOCKEY

Under 9s

TAS U9 hockey teams took to the field on another beautiful Armidale morning - the cold just seems to make the boys and girls run faster! In our Yellow team, Lucas had a stand out game, he was passing the ball exceptionally well to the other members of the team. Henry showed lots of resilience, eager to come back on the field after being injured. Once again, some great defending and tackling from Josh, Xavier, Ryne, Levi and Lachie. Our Pink team was held to a nil all draw with some amazing defence and goal saving and thanks goes to Xavier for backing up with a second game. The girls are concentrating on learning to play their positions in attack and looking for teammates to pass to. Well done Grace, Minnie, Sophie, Harriet, Maitha, Izzie, and Ava.

Next weekend there is no game due to the long weekend, but training will be on as usual on Wednesday.

Mrs Donella Tutt

NETBALL

A 13-0 win for the Armidale City Magics this weekend! Our dominance on the court was established right from the first whistle. It was fantastic to see an improvement on the court in the skills we have been focussing on at training. Special mention must go to Sophia White for her contribution to our high scoring success!

Miss Anna Frost

FOOTBALL

TAS Blues U6s

The U6 Blues have had two extremely successful weekends of football with Week 5's game in Uralla seeing Rudra Tandon score his first goal of the season! Well done Rudra. The attacking skills of Baxter Carruthers and Evelyn Brownlie were again strong, and both Xander Dell and Ethan Downes displayed improved dribbling skills.

The game this weekend in Armidale gave our team the opportunity to take many shots at goal as our defence and attack was very strong leaving the opposition in our wake.

Both Baxter and Ethan scored hat tricks thanks to the excellent passing of the other team members and some very clever footwork on the part of both boys. Evelyn and Xander both celebrated goals and it was incredibly impressive to see so much passing and communication on the field. Rudra set up a fantastic goal with a strong boot straight down the centre field leaving Ethan free to close the deal with a firm right kick into the nets. The team is working hard on communicating on the field and using the full space rather than crowding the ball. Enjoy the long weekend off and we will see you again in Week 7.

Mrs Gill Downes

TAS U8s

The mighty TAS 'Under 8s' were greeted by another sunny day as they took to the field on Saturday against the East Armidale Bears. After a gritty 'nil-all' draw the previous week, TAS displayed some very pleasing teamwork early on as Xavier Stephen, Aziz Binmahfod and Cameron Carruthers linked up on the right wing for a spectacular goal.

After an energetic post-goal celebration, TAS refocused on the task at hand and were rewarded with further success, hitting the back of the net several times in quick succession.

The defence was rock solid throughout the match. Lucy Taylor and Ruby Ogilvie patrolled the mid-field, denying the Bears any opportunity to threaten TAS' goal. Connor Ryan and Edwina Newton impressed with their hard running and persistence. Oliver Robb and Jack Wood demonstrated their speed with some dashing runs down the wing, while Lucas van der Werf provided much needed support all over the field.

The respective cheer squads witnessed a high-quality match played in the right spirit. With a well-earned opportunity to rest this weekend, the TAS 'Under 8s' can look forward to further success in the second half of the season.

Mr Thomas Powell

TAS Blues U10s

TAS Blues played an action-packed match on Saturday. The weather was not too bad, no icicles hanging from our noses at least!

The whole team played really well and Braith was so close to scoring 3 times - well done Braith!

The final score was TAS 8 - Armidale City Wolves 1. Our strikers were Charlie and Ollie and the whole team played a big part in their success; we didn't stop running.

Some excellent defence work was provided by Lachie Hunter and Ollie Gouge was really fast, running all over the field. Mohammed had an excellent game and his goal keeping gets better every week.

We need to learn to talk more to each other and not bunch up on the field - we promise we will try this next week

Mrs Tania Hardin

TAS Whites U10s

Despite the forecast, the game was played at Harris Park fields under lovely winter conditions with the sun shining and wind not too strong. The team had another great game where they generally displayed a growing awareness of the importance of positional play. It is pleasing to see them develop as a disciplined team and to observe their growing awareness of options when passing the ball, throwing in from the sideline or kicking from the goals. All of these are important decisions and can be game changers. There was a sense of great excitement when Sinclair Little, who played in the backs scored a goal from just over the halfway line. Archer Starr and Mitchell Evans were confident in goals and were well supported by some very powerful backs.

Mrs Kellie Ward provided much encouragement, and coaching advice on the field and the team is very thankful for her time and expertise.

Due to the long weekend, there will be no soccer next weekend.

Mrs Veronica Waters



James Leahy and the U10 football team

TAS White U12

TAS White came up against TAS Blue - the team from Year 6 - on Saturday and should be very proud of the way they played. Thankfully we had most of our players and therefore were able to be competitive on the field. The final score was 11 - 7 to TAS Blue and this is a testament to the skills of Sam Strelitz in goal, who saved numerous attempts and Evan Kwan who scored all but one of the goals. Some highlights of this game were Theo Munsie, playing a new position at half, scoring his first goal by being in the right position! Millie Coupland also had an outstanding game after being moved to wing - a new position for her - and it was terrific to see her hold her own against the opposition. But as I am always saying, it is a team sport and no-one can do it on their own. So, the team has much to be proud of in the way they continued to run for the ball, followed each other up and were prepared to keep the scoring from the TAS Blues as low as possible. This weekend is the long weekend so enjoy the weekend off and the special family time. A huge thanks to the support of the parents on the sideline. This is a terrific team and they are well on the way to being a force in the competition if they continue to work together and improve as they have done. One last reminder to please ensure shin pads and socks are at trainings so we can fully utilise the time we have to train.

Mrs Kirsty Brunsdon



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FRIDAY 8th June 2018

Armidale City Bowling Club, Dumaresq Street

Tickets: \$8pp (drinks and snacks available for purchase)

Time: 6:00 to 7:30pm

Age: 5-13 years (Adult Supervision—all with Working with Children Check)

Tickets may be pre-purchased from the Bowling Club, or on the night and must be present-

ed at the door

Theme: Fluro Disco (come dressed in your brightest outfit)

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