**PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE**

Last week some students from our support classes participated in the Sky’s the Limit Mini Olympics at WIN Stadium in Wollongong. Congratulations to Jayden Slade for competing, David Pratt who won Gold in the 400m and Silver in the Vortex and Steven Robinson who won a Gold, Silver and Bronze for track and field events. Courtney Howlett from Year 12 won 5 Silver Medals and was named Grand Champion of the event. Well done to all of our students who represented our school so well.

A big congratulations also to our junior and senior boys cricket teams who have been on fire, beating Warilla High and Bomaderry High in the last two weeks. We are incredibly proud of your efforts.

This Friday we have our Talent Quest Assembly, which I am very much looking forward to. Last year’s event was a huge success, and I can’t wait to see what talents we discover this year. Thank you to our sensational Creative and Performing Arts faculty for the work they do in creating these fun events for us to enjoy.

A number of students have recently had mobile phones confiscated for using them during class time to make calls or send text messages. I would like to remind parents that if your child does use their phone during class without the permission of the teacher, the phone will be confiscated, and you will be required to collect it from the Administration office. Phones should be kept in pockets or bags and should not be out in class unless the teacher has allowed students to use them for learning purposes.

The HSC examinations continue this week, with many of our students now finished and signing out of school. For those still sitting exams, we wish you all the very best. I am looking forward to seeing all of our Year 12 students at the Year 12 Formal next Friday night at the Shoalhaven Entertainment Centre.

A reminder that the P & C Meeting is on at 7.30pm on Tuesday 27 October in the Administration Block. At this meeting there will be some discussion about school uniform, and the introduction of a less expensive jumper for next winter. The SRC will give their thoughts on the design. I encourage you to come along and be a part of the discussion.

Have a great week.
Angela Byron—Principal

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**HOURS FOR THE UNIFORM SHOP**

**THURSDAY ONLY**

8.00am ~ 11.30am and 1.00pm ~ 5.00pm

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**Calendar**

**Coming Events for TERM 4 - Wk 4 & Wk 5**

**Week 4 - Beta**

**Monday 26th October:**
- HSC Exams continue
- Yr 8 Science Yearly Exam
- Yr 8 English Assessment, P1,2 & 5
- Yr 11 SLR, Nowra Swimming Pool

**Tuesday 27th October:**
- HSC Exams continue
- Yr 12 Ext 2 English Excursion to State Library
- P & C Meeting, Staff Common Room, 7.30pm, all welcome.

**Wednesday 28th October**
- HSC Exams continue
- Yr 8 Excursion to Questacon, Ms Williams
- Yr 11 Photography Excursion to Shoalhaven, Ms Regan
- Yr 10 PASS, Nowra Swimming Pool

**Thursday 29th October**
- HSC Exams continue
- AIME, Yrs 9-12, Shoalhaven Entertainment Centre
- Sth NSW Secondary Schools, Girls League Tag, Rugby Park
- Yr 11 IP & PDHPE Assessment

**Friday 30th October:**
- HSC Exams continue
- P4 Learn to Swim/ Water Safety, Nowra Aquatic
- Talent Quest, Multi Purpose Hall

**Week 5 - Alpha**

**Monday 2nd November:**
- HSC Exams continue
- ISER Performing Ensemble, Ms Buikstra

**Tuesday 3rd November:**
- HSC Exams continue
- Yr 10 Marine Studies, Shoalhaven River, Mr Orange
- Yr 9 Yearly Science Exam, Pds 1 & 2 MPH, Mrs Rynehart
- Yrs 9/10 Child Studies Excursion to Sydney Powerhouse
- ISER Performing Ensemble, Ms Buikstra

**Wednesday 4th November:**
- HSC Exams continue
- Yr 11 VET Hospitality Excursion to Novotel Wollongong
- Yrs 7-9 Excursion Science Fair at Wollongong Uni, Ms Mainey
- ISER Performing Ensemble
- Yr 10 Commerce—Nowra township
- Yr 9 Maths Assessment, Mr Rouen

**Thursday 5th November:**
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- Yr 10 SLR, Nowra Swimming Pool
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- ISER Performing Ensemble, Ms Buikstra

**Friday 6th November:**
- HSC Exams continue
- ISER Performing Ensemble
- Yr 9 Yearly Maths Exam, Ms Opkerkuch

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Year 12 HSC 2016 Assessment Requirements

Course work for the 2016 HSC has begun for the new Year 12 cohort. The Higher School Certificate (HSC) is the highest educational award in secondary education in New South Wales. It is awarded to students who have satisfactorily completed Years 11 and 12 at secondary school. To be eligible, students must meet HSC course requirements and sit for the HSC examinations.

Parents and carers need to be aware of the Nowra High School Assessment Policy that governs the conduct of assessment tasks at the school. Of particular importance is the section titled ‘What Do I Need To Know About Assessment Tasks’, as this outlines the requirements for the submission and sitting of assessment tasks.


Students should not plan absences during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances (e.g. medical operation). In general, the taking of holidays will not be considered to be exceptional circumstances. Any requests for special consideration should be discussed with the Principal well before the date in question.

Mr Buckley—Deputy Principal

School’s Financial Year Processing

The school’s annual financial rollover will occur on 1st December in line with all other schools in the state. Accordingly, to enable the smoothest transition possible, and to minimise the possibility of error, the finance office will stop processing payments in advance of this date.

Cash Payments will not be taken at the front office from 26th November to 5th December. Please pay for any excursions that fall within the non payment period before the 26th of November.

Debit deposit

Please don’t deposit any payment into Nowra High bank account after Monday 23rd November to 5th December.

Thank you. Bobbie Kumar—School Administration Manager

CONGRATULATIONS

to those students who participated in ICAS Mathematics.

Principal's Award: Kai Waller (7)
High Distinction: Alec Landstra (8), Kai Waller (7), Daniel Xiao (7)
Distinction: Jessica Ibrahim (10), Mikayla Check (8), Jessica Ibrahim (10), Patrick Kerrigan (7)
Credit: Kyle Douglas (12), Caitllin Pond (12), Chris Thurbon (12), Cade Flannery (11), Kaitlyn Hush (11), Marissa Kielly (11), Rhiannon Smith (10), Hayden Strand (10), Taylor McCoy(9), Lisa Horner (8), Will Seyffer (7), Aiden Freeman (7), Deklyn Haskell (7), Jarrod Lee (7),
Merit: Andrew Vintener (11), Aiden Wallis (7).
Participation: Miles Quinell (11), Cara Haupt (8), Kawante Morey-Hype (8), Georgia Henderson (7)

Ms Opferkuch
Support your school community
and make a difference

Are you community minded & interested in your child’s welfare at school?

The Nowra High School P & C Association supports your school community in many ways & also operates the school canteen with all profit being donated to the school & other community projects. Without the P & C there would be no canteen.

In 2016, 3 key committee positions will be available. We are looking for other community minded parents who would like a chance to give back to the school. Being a P & C member is a rewarding experience and gives you an opportunity to keep abreast of issues/events at school and to have a voice.

If you are interested in being part of the team, even if only for a year and would like further information please contact Kira Bradley Treasurer on 0412 996261 or kirabradley@yahoo.com.au

CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR
MERIT ACHIEVEMENTS

Silver Award:  Ronnie Burt-Leonard, Corey Strong
Gold:  Danielle Jolley, Jaxon Forrestor, Shanelle Thomason and Chelsea Davis
Platinum:  Kade O’Rourke, Caitlin Pond & Courtney Howlett

TERM 4 - 2015
P & C MEETING DATES
Week 4 - Tuesday 27th October
Week 8 - Tuesday 24th November
All welcome in the Staff Common Room at 7.30pm

Seeking a Host Family for an Indonesian Student – AIYEP

The Australia Indonesia Youth Exchange Program (AIYEP), funded by the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade, is seeking a host family for one university-age student who will be doing a three week work placement at Nowra High School in November. One other student has already been placed with a NHS family.

The students will be in Nowra from Friday 13 November 2015-Saturday 5 December 2015 (school weeks 7, 8 & 9). A financial subsidy will be paid to each host family.

If you would love to take part in this cultural experience, please ring Mrs Leslie at the school on 44214977. For more information about the program please visit the website:  http://aiyep.tcn.com.au

The latest issue of Parentingideas Magazine is online now, covering a range of parenting issues.

See the attached link....

Donations of uniforms needed for the

Nowra High School—CLOTHING POOL

If anybody has uniforms that they no longer need they would be greatly appreciated. THANKYOU
They can be dropped off at the Front Office.

Do your little bit of good where you are; it’s those little bits of good put together that overwhelm the world.

The new **Office of the Children’s eSafety Commissioner** (the Office) is a one-stop-shop for online safety. In July 2015, the Office took full responsibility for the popular Cybersmart education program, the eSafety Hotline and a range of other government online safety activities. The Office provides a range of up-to-date information and resources, coupled with a comprehensive complaints system to assist Australian children who experience serious cyberbullying. For more information go to www.esafety.gov.au.

**Cyberbullying ? Too much time online ?**

Learn more at eSafety for parents. Meeting the online safety needs of parents is a top priority. To help, the Office has released a series of new video resources for parents covering some of the issues of greatest concern. Please watch and share. Go to the website and choose *education resources*, then *parent resources*. 
Dear Student,

The University of Wollongong would like to invite you to join us for a social BBQ at your local Shoalhaven Campus as you begin your year 12 journey!

You will have the opportunity to meet some current UOW students and hear about their journeys into university, have a tour of the Shoalhaven Campus and hear from the Head of Campus – Robbie Collins!

Date:      Tuesday 10th November 2015

Venue:    University Of Wollongong – Shoalhaven Campus
            George Evans Road, West Nowra

Time:      4.30pm
Parent Information

Dear Parent/Guardian,

The University of Wollongong would like to invite both you and your child who has just begun their year 12 journey to take part in the ‘Sizzling Social Syzygy’ at the University of Wollongong, Shoalhaven campus on Tuesday the 10th of November 2015.

The event will include an informal free BBQ where the students will have the chance to speak with current university students, a quick presentation by the Head of Campus as well as a guided tour of the University of Wollongong’s Shoalhaven Campus.

This event will help to familiarise the students with the local university and staff as well as provide them with options to think about their future.

Campus: SHOALHAVEN Campus

Food: A BBQ and soft drinks will be provided for the students, parents, careers advisors and other guests.

Cost: There is no cost for this experience.

For further information about UOW Shoalhaven please visit our website at:


Please detach and return to your school careers advisor

I do / do not consent to ___________________________ (Student’s name) born on ___________________________ (Date of Birth) of ___________________________ (School name) participating in an excursion to the UOW Shoalhaven Campus on Tuesday the 10th of November 2015.

☐ I will be attending the event with my son/daughter via our own means of transport.

☐ Please arrange transport for my son/daughter as I am unable to attend.

How many guests will you be bringing? (siblings etc) _______

My son / daughter has the following special needs (please provide full details and include any relevant medical details or dietary needs):

________________________________________________________________________

I give / do not give permission for my child to receive medical treatment in case of emergency.

Contact phone number: ___________________________

Name: ___________________________ Signature: ___________________________ Date: ___________