

Nowra High School

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Year 12 finished their Higher School Certificate examinations on Friday last week when our Textiles and Design students completed their examination at 3.30pm. Year 10 finished the external examinations for the School Certificate on Friday morning when they completed the Computing Skills paper. Our examination supervisors reported that Years 10 and 12 students were very focussed and cooperative and obviously understood how important these examinations were.

The examination supervision team, lead by Mr Veness (Yr 12) and Mrs Barby (Yr 10), need to be acknowledged for the excellent job they have done over the past 4 weeks looking after a nervous 140 Year 12 and 190 Year 10 students.

On Thursday last week the school held the Year 6 into Year 7 orientation day for our newest cohort of students. All the staff and Peer Support volunteers reported that the next Year 7 are an excellent group of young people who are very keen to start high school next year. I know that all our students and staff will make Year 7 2010 feel welcome at their new school.

Mrs Zoratto, Year 7 Year Advisor (2010) and Ms McAlister, Peer Support Coordinator need a special thank you for the excellent job they did in organising and running orientation day. Mr Dawson, Ms Lynn and Ms Campbell, Defence Transition Mentor also need to be acknowledged for the fine job they did assisting on the day and helping with lunch catering.

The NSW Government has changed the age at which students can leave school. Up until now, students have legally been able to leave school when they turn 15. From the beginning of 2010 students must be 17 before they can leave school and they must have completed Year 10. Students can leave school before they turn 17 if they are undertaking approved education or training or have full-time paid work which is defined as an average of 25 hours per week.

This change will have very little affect on Nowra High School in the short term. Most Year 10 students return to school for Years 11 and 12 to complete their HSC. In 2010 we are expecting an extra 10 students in a total enrolment of 180 in Year 11.

Mr Wayne Pryce - Principal

Coming Events for Weeks 5 & 6 Term 4 - 2009

WEEK 5 - ALPHA

Monday 16th November

- ⇒ State Finals for Debating at Art Gallery NSW - 20 students
- ⇒ Performing Ensemble Tour for 4 days

Tuesday 17th November

- ⇒ Year 12 Formal at Shoalhaven Entertainment Centre from 6.30pm
- ⇒ School Spectacular Rehearsal in Sydney from 6.00am to 5.30pm

Wednesday 18th November

- ⇒ Girls Cricket at school versus Ulladulla High School

Thursday 19th November

- ⇒ Lessons continue

Friday 20th November

- ⇒ Speak Out Against Bullying in Assembly Period in MPH

WEEK 6 - BETA

Monday 23rd November

- ⇒ National Young Leaders Day Conference - Sydney Convention Centre from 6.00am to 7.00pm

Tuesday 24th November

- ⇒ Lessons continue

Wednesday 25th November

- ⇒ Last day for payments at the front office before December 7th

Thursday 26th November

- ⇒ Lessons continue

NHS FINANCIAL ROLLOVER

Due to the school's financial rollover, we will be unable to accept any payments at the front office from Thursday 26th November.

If you wish to make any payments, please do so **before this date**. Payments at the office will re-commence Monday 7th December.



UNIFORM SHOP

The **Uniform Shop** will be open

on Tuesdays from **12.30pm to 5.00pm** and Thursdays

from **8.00am to 12.30pm**

SPECIAL: Junior Girls Slacks Navy \$20 All sizes

Here's a Thought!

What **you can be** is more important than what **you have been**.

CSI SYDNEY 2009/2010 Cyber Crime Workshops - Where: The University of New South Wales , Anzac Parade, Kensington Campus.

What role do computers have in international crime? How is electronic evidence used by lawyers in court? Want to be an intelligence officer or digital/computer crime scene investigator? Specially designed for students aged 15—18. **When:** During January Summer Holidays.

Cost: \$300 per person for each 2 day workshop. **See Mr Buckley for more details and an enrolment form.**



NATIONAL COMPUTER SCIENCE SCHOOL

Program Your Summer University of Sydney

Love computing, robotics or web design? Want a challenge? The University of Sydney 2 - 11 January 2010. Applications close Friday 20th November 2009. See Mr Buckley for an application form and more information.

BALLROOM DANCING CLASSES

Learn to dance classes for 6yrs up to 13yrs.
Saturday Mornings 10am to 11.30am at Nowra-Greenwell Point RSL Sub-Branch. Cost \$6.00 per person.

**For more information contact John on
0458 859 600.**

FOR SALE

- ⇒ Physics Past Paper 2009 Edition: \$20.00)
- ⇒ Physics Revise in a Month: \$10.00)
- ⇒ Cliff Notes on Shakespeare's Othello: \$5.00)
- ⇒ Cliff Notes on Shakespeare's Hamlet: \$5.00)

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NOWRA SHOTOKAN KARATE

Join multiple National Kata champion and world championship finalist Sensei David Rush, for traditional and effective self-defence and fitness training. As part of our birthday celebrations, receive 50% off your 1st month's training and uniform with new membership. Hurry - for a limited time only. Classes for children, teens and adults, beginners and advanced.

Monday & Wednesday from 5.30pm in Nowra High School's Old Gym. For more information please contact 44 215542 or www.shotokankarate.com.au.

Reduce your energy and water bills by having a FREE Home Sustainability Assessment

These assessments are funded by the Federal Government and will recommend ways to save on your bills. Each assessment also entitles the household to a \$10,000 interest-free loan to invest in improving your home's comfort, running costs and environmental performance. To book, or for more information, call your accredited local assessor, *Chris Cooper on 0401558828.*



CHARLES STURT UNIVERSITY

Simulation Clinic opens wide - the university has revealed the first completed section of its multi-million dollar dentistry teaching facilities in Orange. It features 60 mannequin heads and state of the art simulation equipment, giving each student a practical introduction before working with patients.

Venues announced for Course Information Sessions - the University will run course information sessions at its regional campus sites. Staff will be available to discuss university options with students, including course preference, ATAR results and living and learning at CSU.

Getting HSC help - As Year 12 begins for those NSW senior high school students sitting the Higher School Certificate next year, they are reminded that study resources outside of school are available, such as the *NSW HSC Online* website. With material for 48 HSC subjects, supplemented by advice on study strategies and the availability of past examination papers and markers comments, this is a reliable source of information for anyone studying for the HSC. Visit *NSW HSC Online* at www.hsc.csu.edu.au

CSU Scholarships - Scholarships offered through Charles Sturt Foundation at CSU are now open and can be applied for online at www.csu.edu.au/student/scholarships/foundation

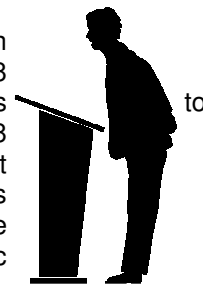
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Public Speaking

Congratulations to Orion Leppan-Taylor for his outstanding achievement. Orion represented South Coast region in the State Finals of the Legacy Junior Public Speaking Competition. Each of the 8 finalists had to present a prepared speech and an impromptu speech which they had only 5 minutes to prepare. In front of a rapt audience, including the Governor of NSW, Dr Marie Bashier, all 8 performers showed the exceptional talents and compassion of today's youth. Although Orion wasn't chosen to be one of the 2 representing NSW in the National Final, he won \$100, a medallion and was truly inspirational. NHS supporters from Year 9 and 10 were awed by the quality of all of the speeches. Orion and his supporters, in full school uniform, were wonderful ambassadors for Public Education and NHS. Judy Panucci.



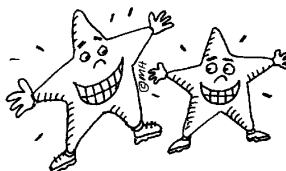
Languages

Mrs Leslie and Mrs Nanos have been very impressed with the efforts of Year 7 in Language this year. Congratulations to the following students for their outstanding work in the German Yearly Exams:

Samantha Chittenden	-	100% in yearly exam – 1 st in Year 7
		1 st in 7U
Laura Wasley	-	2 nd in 7U
Ally North	-	3 rd in 7U
Matthew Stark	-	1 st in 7L
Gavin Walker	-	2 nd in 7L
Jazmine Varty	-	3 rd in 7L

HIGH FLYERS

Kiama Laatikainen-Potts	-	1 st in 7M
Brady Moffatt	-	2 nd in 7M
Beauden Nau	-	3 rd in 7M



Congratulations!

Matte Holmes-Willis	-	1 st in 7S
Jasmyn Newton		
Kyen Langton	-	2 nd in 7S

Annaliese Heyligers	-	1 st in 7B
Amy Ramires	-	1 ^{2nd} in 7B
Luke Anderson	-	3 rd in 7B



Tan Tungpoonsuk	-	1 st in 7E
Grace Hilzinger	-	2 nd in 7E
Liam Beverly	-	3 rd in 7E

Iona Smith	-	1 st in 7I
Amy Vincent	-	2 nd in 7I
Nathan Morris	-	3 rd in 7I

Peer Support:

Mrs McAlister was very impressed with the enthusiastic and responsible participation of Year 9 in the Peer Support Training Program. The students were a credit to themselves and Nowra High School. Their behaviour was exemplary and their attitude, energy and display of team work contributed to a really successful two days of training. Well done and thank you.

Our Year 12 school leaders, Harriet Elleman, Brady Warren, Nicole Fetchet and Bassem Ibrahim also contributed their time, energy and enthusiasm as Group Facilitators in the Peer Support Training Program. Their help and support was invaluable and much appreciated. Their rapport with staff and students and their level of involvement helped make the program a huge success. They were excellent role models for the Year 9 students, displaying outstanding leadership skills.

Social Science:

Mrs Forbes would like to acknowledge the work of her students in the following classes:

Year 10 - Geography 10G1 and 10G2 – consistent effort and application throughout the School Certificate preparation;

Year 8 - Geography 7 - Consistently working well in class;

Year 7 - Geography I – asking questions, listening and completing classwork;

Year 12 - Society and Culture - willingness to apply themselves and participate.