

Weekly Bulletin

Mullumbimby High School

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WEEK 7 - TERM 3

Community event

The Open Rugby League team's victory in Sydney last week has been much regaled in our community. Their triumph places them in the final four of all the NSW public high schools who have competed in the University Shield. The fantastic efforts of the team and their coaches bring prestige for our school and our local community. On Tuesday 6 September at 11 a.m, our team competes with Bathurst High School for the right to contest the final. As this is a significant community event, I would like to welcome and encourage parent and community presence at the game. It will be played on the school oval at Jubilee Avenue, Mullumbimby. (Opposite the school.) Win or lose, the boys in the team will greatly appreciate the support they get from the local crowd. Too good to miss!

Reminders

While the football promises to be a big community event, I would like to remind parents and community members of two evening events being held in the school next week. First, the Year 12 major work art exhibition will be held in the G block studios on Tuesday 6 September from 4pm. On the following evening, Wednesday 7 September at 7pm, the Bi-annual Eco Film Awards will be held in E1, our performance facility. Both events provide an opportunity for you to join us in celebrating the outstanding achievements of our students.

Our artists shine

The annual Ocean Shores Art Expo is a wonderful way of showcasing the rich array of creative talents that exist in our community. Congratulations are due to three of our students who have won major prizes for secondary school entries in the Expo. Year 12 student Flynn Cowan for Photography, Year 11 student Teelo Norris for Sculpture. Daisy Buckthorpe in Year 10 took out the prize for Painting. Special mention should also go to Julia Vanderbyl who recently left Mullumbimby High School to enrol in Distance Education. Julia was successful in winning the prize for Drawing. Special thanks to the Creative and Performing Arts Department who always deliver the quality teaching that develops, guides and nurtures the creative talents in our students.

Curriculum changes delayed in NSW

The implementation of national curriculum changes in English, Maths, Science and History for K-10 students will be delayed for NSW schools. The NSW Education Minister, Adrian Piccoli said more time was needed to ensure high standards were maintained. NSW schools can begin the planning phase for the new national curriculum by 2013, with the curriculum moving to the classroom teaching phase from 2014.

Guide to leaving school

If your child is finishing school at the end of this year and would like to explore their options, check out the department's leaving school information page at: www.schools.nsw.edu.au/leavingschool/index.php. Here you will find a host of information about further study and training, apprenticeships, work and taking a gap year. Young people now must be in work or study or in a combination of both until the age of 17.

Ian Graham, Principal

Diary for Term 3

6 September

Y12 First Aid Course

12 to 22 September

Y11 Exams

21 September

Yr 12 Charity Collection

22 September

Yr 12 Presentation Evening

23 September

Last day Term 3

10 October

First day Term 4

P&C POINTS

This week, we wish our school Rugby League team all the best for their big semi-final match next Tuesday. A win will send the team off to Sydney again for the State final.

We also congratulate our athletes heading to Sydney next week for the CHS State Athletic Championships at the Homebush Olympic track.

Then, there's our Science Challenge team which won the Queensland State Championship in Hervey Bay last week and is now off to Victoria for the national finals next month.

Travelling costs always put our students from the country at a disadvantage. Ironically, the more successful they are, the more the expense. The P&C has contributed what it could from limited resources to the costs of all three groups so far.

But any one at all can help our talented students with a contribution large or small. You can even nominate the team you'd like to support. Just call the school and name your amount.

Noel L'Orange, President MHS P&C

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

REMINDER ABOUT TVET COURSES FOR 2012

If you are a Year 10 student or the parent of one, and are considering TVET courses (TAFE courses for school based students), information is available from our school's website. Expressions of interest need to be entered before Friday 23 September 2011. Visit the Careers page and contact the Careers Adviser at the school for further details.

ELTHAM ART AWARDS 2011

Entries are invited for The 2011 Eltham Art Awards

The theme this year is "MY BACKYARD"

From the backyard of your home to your playground...the Northern Rivers Region. **Prizes categories for primary school, high school and open section.**

ENTRY FORMS DUE BY 14th October 2011

PRICE OF ENTRY:

Primary School students – \$2 High School students – \$5

Open Section - \$10

Primary School students sale price \$10 – Commission \$3. High School students artist to advise price – Commission 30%. Open Section Artist to advise price – Commission 30%.

BOND UNIVERSITY— GRADE 10 HEADSTART DAY.

Date: Monday 17 October 2011 Time: 9 a.m.—3 p.m.

Location: Bond University, Robina.

Website: www.bond.edu.au/events/headstartday

POTTSVILLE CRICKET CLUB - Pre Season Sign on for everyone

On: Sunday 4th; 11th; 18th; 25th September

At: 12pm to 2pm

Where: Pottsville Beach Sports Clubs Nets, Tweed Coast Road,

Pottsville

New players welcome!!

Enquiries: Seniors John Morris 0422437020

Juniors Brock Merrion 0415171395

BRUNSWICK SURF CLUB NIPPER SIGN 2011/2012 SEASON

On: Sunday 11 September @ 9.30 a.m. at the triathlon. Sunday 18 September @ 11 a.m. at the clubhouse.

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Nippers are for 6-13 year olds. New members please bring birth certificates. First nipper activity day is 9 October 2011.

Enquiries: 0429 554 986







KNOW SOMEONE WITH A MENTAL ILLNESS? WOULD YOU LIKE TO CREATE SOME ART TO EXPRESS HOW YOU FEEL?

The Wellbeing Exhibition is an art event with a difference. It is being held over Mental Health Month this October 2011 – it is an opportunity for us, whose lives have been affected by mental illness, to express ourselves and to engage the Northern Rivers community in a richer understanding of mental health.

All artwork invited to exhibit is to be made by people with a mental illness, friends, family or carers, or anyone who works in the field of Mental Health. The exhibition will include painting, drawing, mixed media or photography; sculpture, ceramics, jewellery or installation work; textile and poetry.

The exhibition will be open from the 12th – 29th October and will be installed on the ground floor of the Lismore Library, the adjacent C Block (Academy of Arts), and in the Centro Shopping Complex.

A People's Choice Award will be presented on the opening night, Thursday 20th October.

How to enter? An entry pack can be emailed or picked up by ringing the number 043 9607697. But do it soon. Closing date is the 3rd October. 2011

