



OUR VISION — Mullumbimby High School supports all students to fulfil their potential and become successful, confident, creative members of our diverse community and the wider world.

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Term 2 | Week 5 | Monday 23 May 2022

IMPORTANT DATES

Monday 23 May (all week)

CHS Rugby League Boys
CHS Hockey Boys & Girls

Wednesday 25 May

SRC Leadership & Planning

Friday 27 May

FNC Surfing—Lennox Head

Monday 30 May

Pride Week—Market Eve
Athletics Carnival at
Cavanbah Centre

Tuesday 31 May

CHS Netball

Friday 3 June

Yr8 Excursion to Shakespeare
NC Gymnastics
FNC XCountry Nth Byron

Monday 6 June

Nth Rivers School Futsal BB

Wednesday 8 June

1.20pm Transition Day Yr6
Year 8 Camp

Thursday 9 June

Year 8 Camp

Friday 10 June

Year 8 Camp

Friday 1 July

Last day of Term 2

LOOKING AHEAD

TERM 2

Tue 26 April to Fri 1 July

TERM 3

Mon 18 July to Fri 23 Sept
(1st day is Staff Development
Day—no students)

TERM 4

Mon 10 Oct to Tue 20 Dec
(Students start on 1st day)

COVID-19 Department of Education

[https://
education.nsw.gov.au/
covid-19/advice-for-
families](https://education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/advice-for-families)

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Carers,

I wish to acknowledge NESA's CEO Paul Martin's visit and thank our staff, students, and some parents for attending the meeting last week. Paul said that our students were amazing in their accounts of how the floods have affected their HSC study and preparation, and their families. We have attached the letter we have received from NESA following their visit to this newsletter for your information. You can also visit the [Flood Advice page](#) on the NESA website, for information on the work they are undertaking to support schools.

Our school oval has not recovered from the amount of rain we have had this year. This year's school Athletics carnival will be held at the Cavanbah centre on Monday 30th May. It will be for Year 7 AND competitors only. There will be no cost. Student should write their name down on the list at the PE staffroom if they would like to attend.

Congratulations to the following students:

Solomon Wolff, Jasper Willis and Amani Okoth were the top three runners at our school's Cross Country in Brunswick Heads on Wednesday last week, the one sunny day of the week when we enjoyed a wonderful day outdoors! Congratulations to all our students who participated in the school. You will enjoy the drone footage posted as a [video](#) about the day on YouTube.

Ten of our girls will be part of the U/15 and U/17 Brunswick Byron Representative Netball teams playing in Sydney in June in the Senior State Titles. The U/15s are Nina Colli, Charlize Tucker and Ella Brittain. The U/17 Team off to Sydney are Lucy Colli, Eve Porter, Olivia Langtry, Zara Morris, Ivy Glynn, Ava Jones and Eva Brooke.

Alisa Tomasella in Year 10 attended the North Coast team playing at CHS State Championships Girls Football in Bathurst on 17 May to 19 May.

— Greg Armstrong, PRINCIPAL

CAREERS NEWS

Year 10 Students—Your students can get a head start on their career by completing a TAFE NSW TVET course, as a subject, while still at school. Download a copy of the new 2023 TVET Guide [here](#) to explore how they can gain real-world practical skills. See Ms Perrin in Careers for more information, or if you have any questions.

University Open Days—The Career Tools National **Open Days Directory for 2022** is now available! It contains the details of all known University Open Days (and quite a few private providers), as well as links to virtual tours of each institution. You can download this document [here](#), plus you will find all of the online information and a link to the document on the "Open Days/Virtual Tours" page of your careers website. www.mullumbimbycareers.com

The University Admissions Centre or UAC —The *UAC Guide 2022–23* has been dispatched and should be here any day now. We allocate a copy to every Year 12 student at school so that all students have equal access to information about tertiary study. You can also [access the UAC Guide online](#).

To start their application, students will need their Year 12 student number (eg NESA or BSSS student number) and UAC PIN. For **NSW HSC students**: Their UAC PIN was emailed to them on 12 April. There's a step-by-step guide in the 'How to start your UAC application' [video here](#)

P&C Notes

Next Monday 30th May, from 9:00am to 2:00pm the P&C will support the school's athletic carnival at the Cavanbah Centre, Byron Bay, by hosting a BBQ. Four parents have kindly offered their support to cook and serve and clean up. It would be really helpful to have a few more volunteers so everyone can share a few hours each. If you are available and can help out for an hour or two or more, we would love to hear from you. C'mon DADS don't be shy, this was traditionally our turf and the four volunteers I have so far are mums...



Call Damian 0409 994 308 if you can help out.

Next P&C Meeting:

The next P&C meeting will be in week 7, on Monday 6th June (venue details to follow). New members are always welcome and you can download a membership form from the school website. Questions? Comments? Email us at mullumbimbyhighschool@pandcaffiliate.org.au Or call Damian Farrell on 0409 994 308

GOING AWAY 5 DAYS OR MORE?

A reminder to our school community that the NSW DET requires that parents arrange holidays **DURING** school vacations. If your family holiday is during school time, you will need to inform the School Principal in advance and submit a permission to leave from the school.

An application for leave should be provided at least two weeks prior to departure.

Ask our office for an **"Application for Leave"** BEFORE the holiday.



All students arriving **late** (after 8.50am) should always sign themselves in at Student Services with a note or a phone call from parents explaining the reason for their lateness.

Requests for an **early** leavers note (before 3pm) from parents with a valid reason should be dropped/called in before 9:30am to Student Services. Leave passes will be handed to students at recess so they can leave the class for their appointment before the end of school.

Kindly support your student to organise all after school plans before school begins to allow them to be fully engaged in their school work without any interruptions.

To the Northern Rivers community

This week I visited schools in the Northern Rivers to hear from principals, students, parents and teachers. Unfortunately, I was unable to visit every school impacted by the floods, however, the visit enabled me to gain a better understanding of the devastating impact of the floods on school communities.

Due to the unique challenges facing schools, students and families, we have established a Flood Support program, to collect detailed information about the impact of the floods on each student.

This includes specific information about each student, the progress they had made, and the impact on their work.

Our current priority is offering support and advice for performance exams, practical projects and submitted works/projects. We value the suggestions that school executives have proposed and will review these and endeavour to implement where feasible.

NESA is also looking to expand our support for schools in the area, for the benefit of students, teachers and principals.

While I understand it can be very challenging, I encourage students to continue learning, and where practical and safe, working on projects and submitted works and preparing for performance exams.

Motivation can be hard to muster and maintain in times like these but focussing on post-school goals may provide a sense of hope.

I would like to reassure you that we will continue to support schools and ensure there are processes in place to support HSC students.

Visit our [Flood Advice page](#) on the NESA website, for information on the work we are undertaking to support schools.

If you have any questions, please call NESA's Flood Enquiry line 1300 13 83 23.

Yours sincerely



Paul Martin
Chief Executive Officer
19/05/2022