

MULLUMBIMBY HIGH SCHOOL

WHAT'S ON?

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 1 | Week 5 | Monday 26 February 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

It was so great to see so many Year 7 families at our BBQ last Wednesday afternoon. A big thank you to the SRC students led by Ms Celeste Grennan for cooking and keeping everyone well fed.

Year 7 BBQ — I spoke to many parents and students who have such positive stories of their start to high school. Starting high school is a huge journey for both students and their parents. It is a time of making new friends, finding new passions, interests and classes including learning the names of many teachers. Mr Aaron Madritsch is our Year 7 adviser and always a great first point of contact. In addition, Mr Johnson (Deputy Principal), Ms Veriga-White (Head Teacher Wellbeing) and myself are available.

SRC Nomination — I also had the privilege of listening to our nominees from Year 7 deliver their SRC (student representative council) speeches. All of the students delivered with confidence and reasons as to how they will represent their Year 7 cohort at Mullumbimby High School if elected. I wish all of the students good luck and feel very confident that those elected will do the job with great pride. This was the first official school event that we have had



Year 7 students listening to each other speeches for SRC nominations in the Drama room

in our newly refurbished Drama room, and it really highlights the amazing facilities that our school has available.

Monday 4th March will be our SRC induction assembly, where all of or SRC students will be formally welcomed into to 2024 student leadership group. Parents are most welcome to attend this event in our school library at 10am.

Careers — Last Friday, our senior students participated in a Careers Expo (University and TAFE) roadshow. Students had an opportunity to meet and listen to many representatives from several universities and TAFE. A big thank you to our Careers Advisor, Ms Clarkson for organising it.

NAPLAN 2024 will take place from Wednesday 13 March to Monday 25 March. NAPLAN is just one part of our school learning assessment program. The tests assess literacy and numeracy skills your child is already learning at school.

In preparation for NAPLAN, our school will undertake activities to help students become familiar with the format and functionality of the online tests. These activities are not an assessment of student ability and will not be marked. Excessive preparation for NAPLAN is not required nor recommended. The <u>public demonstration site</u> is available to see the types of questions, tools and functions used in the NAPLAN tests. Further information about NAPLAN is available on the <u>NESA website</u>. If you would prefer your child not to participate in these assessments, please contact our school office for a Parent Withdrawal form. Any questions, please contact Ms Janelle Molyneux.

Kelly Spilstead, RELIEVING PRINCIPAL

KEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 26 February School Photos (orders online)

Tuesday 27 February FNC Swimming Carnival School Photos (if you missed it)

Monday 4 March 10am—SRC Induction Assembly

Wednesday 6 March Yr11 & 12 Sydney Uni Presentation

Monday 11 March 5:30pm P&C AGM in our library South Passage week

Wednesday 13 March Safe Driver Course

13 March to 25 March NAPLAN

Friday 29 Mar – Monday 1 Apr Easter Weekend Public Holidays

Saturday 6 April Italy Excursion departure

Friday 12 April Last day of school in T1

TERM 2 Monday 29 April Staff Development Day (no students)

Tuesday 30 April Students back at school for T2

Every Monday Breakfast Club 8:20am—8:45am

Every Thursday Homework Club 3pm to 4pm



School Student Broadband Initiative

An Australian Government initiative powered by **nbn**

Are you eligible for free nbn broadband at home until December 2025?



Scan the QR for more information.

You might be eligible if you:

- have a school-aged child
- have no active nbn broadband connection or have not disconnected in the last 14 days. Having the internet on a mobile phone is ok
- live in a premises that is serviced by the nbn network

To check your eligibility, or to get help using your voucher:

- Contact the National Referral Centre 1800 954 610 (Mon-Fri, 10am-6pm AEDT)
- www.anglicarevic.org.au/student-internet
- Callback, webchat, translating and interpreting services are available.



MULLUMBIMBY HIGH SCHOOL P&C ASSOCIATION

The P&C held its first meeting for 2024 in the school library, and welcomed several new attendees. We had some engaging discussion around additional sub-committees and identified the need to seek new volunteers to drive exciting initiatives. The sub-committees have been listed below. Please make contact with the P&C if you have an interest in one of these areas.

Sub-committees:

- Fundraising
- Uniform Shop
- Grant Writing
- Communications
- Governance

Interested in joining? We love new members! Please let us know that you'd like to come along to the next meeting and AGM.

NEW CONTACT DETAILS! Please note that the Mullum High School P&C email address has now changed to: mullumbimbyhighpandc@gmail.com

NEXT P&C MEETING

P&C AGM 5:30pm arrival for a 5:45pm start; Monday 11 March, 2024 P&C General Meeting at 6:15pm Both meetings will be held in the School library

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 dur-

ing 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 <u>at</u> <u>least two weeks</u> prior to departure.

Ask our office for an **"Application for Leave"** BEFORE the holiday. A REMINDER — All students arriving LATE (after 8.50am) should <u>ALWAYS</u> 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 in or called in <u>before 9:30am</u> 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 after school plans <u>BEFORE</u> school begins to allow them to be fully engaged in their school work without any interruptions.



COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS



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Book your appointments 0484 097 399 IG @BALI_ILASHES Left Bank Road, Mullumbimby

YOUTH ACTION

GROUP

HELD WEEKLY ON THURSDAY 4.30PM-5.30PM AT MCC 12-24 YRS



0492 989 659 OR EMAIL RYANM (*) BYS. ORG.AU



Artwork by Sami Bayly

Key dates for students in K-10: Challenge opens Monday 26 February Challenge closes for student entries Friday 23 August







COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

COASTAL COUNSELLING

Nestled amidst the picturesque landscapes of Northern Rivers NSW, I offer compassionate support for both adults and teenagers navigating life's complexities. If you find yourself struggling with low self-esteem, anxiety, grief and loss, life transitions, stress, or relationship concerns, I'm here to help. Sessions are available at various stunning locations, including Evans Head, Ballina, Lennox Head, Byron Bay, Brunswick Heads, Pottsville, and Kingscliff and surrounding locations. The cost of a one-hour session is \$120. If you're ready to take the first step toward a

brighter future, please reach out. Let's walk, talk, and uncover the path to your healing and growth, embracing the therapeutic power of nature, movement, and courageous conversations.



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AUSTRALIAN COUNSELLING

No Referral Needed

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ER DRIVERS COURSES FOR LEARNERS

Monday 4th & 25th March 4pm to 7pm

Cost \$140

Concessions available

BECOME A SAFER DRIVER AND EARN 20 LOG BOOK HOURS BY ENROLLING IN A SAFER DRIVERS COURSE.

Bookings: bys.org.au

AC - 1 Gilmore Crescent, Byron Bay





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Parenting Teenagers Workshop

Learn how to support your young person:

* with their mental health and wellbeing * strategies for having difficult conversations *to manage their feelings in stressful situations



Adolescent Mental Health First Aid Instructor

Mullumbimby High School Library

9 Jubilee Avenue Mullumbimby NSW 2482

Date & Time Monday 18th March 2024: 6 pm - 7pm

Free Entry

Arrive at 5.45 to register

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

We're coming to your community



Our Mobile Service Centre is coming to Mullumbimby Wednesday, March 20, 2024 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Bringing NSW Government services to you.

Call **13 77 88** or visit service.nsw.gov.au to check our latest timetable. Severe weather may mean our timetable has to change at short notice, we strongly recommend you check on the day.

Sind us at: In front of Council Chambers 70 Station Street





Attendance matters means explaining all absences



If your child is:

- Sick
 - Has a medical appointment
 - Has to travel for family business
 - Involved in Sorry Business

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Let us know So we can plan continued support for your child's learning and wellbeing

Every day matters





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NEWS FROM THE CAREERS ADVISER'S DESK

CAREERS WEBSITE

Mullumbimby High School has a dedicated careers website where you can access information on careers and courses to discuss with your child – <u>www.mullumbimbycareers.com</u>

Year 12 - UAC Parents

Is your child exploring University options - the NSW University Admissions Centre offers resources and information for parents and you can subscribe to the UAC Parent Update for the latest information, deadlines and advice to support your child on their journey to university.

https://www.uac.edu.au/future-applicants/parents www.uac.edu.au

Upcoming Webinars

Electrical Engineering - The University of Sydney When: Wednesday 28 February 2024 - 4:00 pm

https://uni-sydney.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_oMOoqU2yQueMEBW9vWaMCg#/registration

If it excites you to know how electricity can benefit our lives, then Electrical Engineering could be for you. Electrical engineers design the electronic devices, computers, communications systems and power systems that have, and continue to, transform society. This covers everything from the computers and networking equipment enabling the internet to the power stations providing electricity to your home.

Science careers are more than just lab coats and experiments - QUT

When: 12pm AEDT, Wednesday, 28 February 2024 - Can't make that time? No worries! Register and you'll be sent a link to a recording of the webinar that you can watch at any time.

https://careerswithstem.com.au/science-webinar-qut-2024/

The truth is, science is a really broad area to work in. People who have a science degree can work in corporate consultancies, in research, in large scale infrastructure, or anywhere. Often without a lab in sight. In this webinar you'll meet a leader in Antarctic conservation, a reef restoration pioneer, a biological scientist who advises companies on environmental conservation, and a graduate hydrogeologist. Brought to you with the support of QUT, this webinar unlocks the next-level potential of a science degree. Discover the careers of tomorrow and create change in our world today.

Job Spotlight

Each week we will highlight a career as part of the daily notices - to start off we highlighted the role of Paramedics - RESPOND - SAVE – TRANSPORT

Paramedics respond to medical emergencies, attend to injured people, and transport to medical facilities if necessary. They work in high-pressure situations and are required to use their medical knowledge and training to make important decisions that save people's lives. If you work well under pressure, are a confident and quick decision maker, and want a career where you'll literally be saving lives, you might want to consider being a paramedic.

THINGS YOU CAN DO NOW

- Focus on English, Maths, Science, Technology and PDHPE at high school.
- In Year 10 find work experience or volunteering opportunities in a healthcare setting hospital or aged care home
- Research accredited qualifications and requirements a number of Universities offer the Bachelor of Paramedicine
- Talk to someone who works as a Paramedic
- Driver's Licence essential

OUTLOOK

Expect strong growth over the next five years.

SALARY

Most Paramedics earn an above average wage. Entry level graduate positions start at \$64,356 per year.

Information provided by Study Work Grow.

Any questions, please contact Leanne Clarkson, Careers Adviser on 0429 962 323 or leanne.clarkson5@det.nsw.edu.au