

## FROM THE SCIENCE LABS



### GREAT NEWS from the Science Writing Competition UNSW!

Tomaree High School has won one of five school book prizes for encouraging students to enter the writing competition. These books will be a welcome addition to the school library.

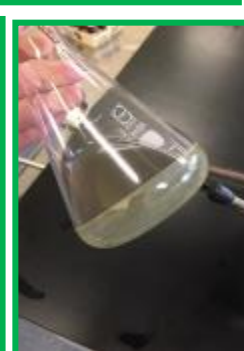
This year's Science Week (August 12-20) focussed on *Future Earth: creating a more sustainable planet by 2030* with students from Years 7-10 entering the UNSW Bragg Student Prize for Science Writing. Students had to write an 800 word essay that explored their own ideas on sustainability or current research. Best of luck to all of you who submitted an entry.

Term 3 has shaped up to be an engaging, fun and hardworking term with so many interesting activities happening. Students in Years 7-10 have recently completed their term assessment task with Years 7 and 10 focusing on assessing literacy skills in Science and Years 8 and 9 focussing on practical skills. These assessment tasks will contribute to their overall results for Semester 2. Staff from the Science faculty have been engaging in professional learning opportunities to develop high quality programs for the new Senior Science curriculums that are due for implementation in Year 11, 2018. The new programs aim to develop students' scientific skills through inquiry based learning. The introduction of a depth study will allow students to explore real world issues that are current and relevant to the local area.

Year 12 students recently sat their HSC trial examinations and they will continue to focus on rigorous study and finishing course their content until the end of this term. Year 11 students have received their timetables for the upcoming Preliminary Examinations in Week 9. They are in the midst of finishing off course content and revising for these examinations. In Week 10 on Thursday, September 21, Preliminary Biology and some Senior Science students will be attending an excursion to Taronga Zoo. Remember that payment for this is due by Tuesday, September 12.



Linda Hazell – HT Science



# From the desk of the Deputy Principal, 9 & 12... Ms D'Arcy

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are nearly at the end of Term 3. What a busy term it has been! Students have not only continued to be engaged in high quality learning in the classroom, but have also continued to take up the numerous extra-curricular opportunities on offer to them.

**Year 12** students are very close to finishing school. Parents will have received a letter outlining the rest of the term. It has been very pleasing to see the number of Year 12 students who are making use of the many opportunities provided by staff to improve their results in preparation for the HSC.

Many Year 12 students availed themselves of the opportunity to learn some ways to manage stress by attending the session run by Cal Baillie our Student Support Officer. If you need further advice or support in this area please come and talk to a member of the Well Being Team.

On **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September** we will conduct our **Year 12 Presentation and Farewell Ceremony** in the MPC between 9.30am and 11.30am. Students need to arrive by 8.30am. This assembly celebrates the achievements of our Year 12 students as they complete high school. Parents and family members are invited to attend both this ceremony and the morning tea that follows.

The **Higher School Certificate** commences on **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October**. All students have access to their HSC Exam timetables on line, together with the Examination Rules and Regulations. It is important that students arrive at each exam with at least 15 minutes to spare. If a student is unable to attend an exam for any reason phone the school immediately. Should students need to submit a NESA Illness/ Misadventure form, supporting documentation must be supplied.

This year's **Year 12 Formal** will be held on **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November** at West Diggers, Nelson Bay. Payment for tickets should be made at the front office (after outstanding subject fees are paid) by Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September.

A big thank you to Leila Courts, Year Advisor, and Jacque Liddell, Assistant, for supporting and encouraging Year 12 this year. Your care, support and compassion have helped many of our students. It has been an absolute pleasure and privilege to be able to work with and watch our young people mature and grow from Year 7. How quickly time flies! It really is the best part of my job! I am sure you will join with me in wishing them the very best for their future. They are **our** future. I am confident they will go forth and make excellent contributions to whatever field they choose.

**Year 9** students will have taken home their NAPLAN results earlier this term. The data we analyse from the results helps us in our planning for students' learning. I have been impressed with how seriously our students have received their results and used them to think about what they need to do to further develop their learning.

If you have not already done so I would encourage you to like our school's official Facebook page. This is proving to be an excellent way of keeping parents and families informed of the exciting things happening at Tomaree High. There are some excellent action shots and celebratory photographs posted there!

**Term 4 starts for students on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> October at 8.15am.** There isn't a staff development day on the Monday. It will be a **Week A** on the timetable, so students should make sure their bags are packed the night before with everything needed.

Wishing all our families a safe and restful holiday.

Best wishes,  
Sue D'Arcy  
Deputy Principal



# From the desk of the Deputy Principal, 7 & 10 .....Mr Stevens

## Year 10 into 11 Subject choices for senior courses in 2018

Our second round of preferences have now been entered for most students in Year 10. We are in the process of finalising remaining students who have yet to confirm their choices for each line. Thank you to our wonderful Year 10 students who have been patient during this sizeable process. I am hoping that each student has had conversations with their parent about their final preferences on each line so that we can minimise any applications for last minute changes.

## NAPLAN Online School Readiness Test

NSW schools will participate in the NAPLAN Online School Readiness Test this Term. There is a lot of information for schools, students and parents on the NAPLAN Online transition website. The school readiness test is a 'practice run' for schools to assess their technology as we prepare to transition to NAPLAN Online. *It provides an opportunity for schools to become familiar with the NAPLAN Online assessment platform but is not an assessment of student ability.*

Students will participate in two tests: writing and an omnibus test that includes reading, grammar and punctuation, spelling and numeracy. Each test will take an hour and all students will be participating. Tomaree High School students in Years 7 and 9 will participate in the School Readiness Test in Week 9 (beginning 11th September). **Students will need to bring their own earphones.** We are able to provide some to students who do not have access to any of their own.

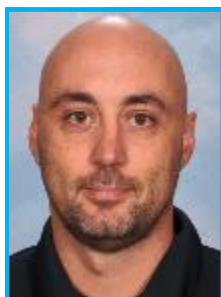
You can go to the link below for further information:

[https://education.nsw.gov.au/teaching-and-learning/student-assessment/naplan-online/media/documents/NAPLAN\\_parent\\_factsheet.pdf](https://education.nsw.gov.au/teaching-and-learning/student-assessment/naplan-online/media/documents/NAPLAN_parent_factsheet.pdf)

## Year 7

Recently we have seen an increase in some silly behaviour by a minority of Year 7 students. I understand that the transition year to High School in Year 7 can seem long and stressful for students. To complete Term 3 strongly, I encourage parents to have a conversation with their children about keeping focussed on learning, talking about resilience strategies, and maintaining the fantastic high expectations we have at Tomaree High School.

Mr Stevens  
Deputy Principal



# Year 12 Advisor's Report

Year 12 has had a full and busy term...with much more to come!

Earlier this term, our talented Year 12 students showcased their musical, artistic, creative and dramatic skills at MADD night. We have some real talent at THS and it was a privilege to have a sneak peak at their HSC performances / artworks. The night was a success due to the tireless efforts of the CAPA teachers, who supported Year 12 and worked hard to make the evening memorable and a credit to our school.

Other Year 12 students have been busy completing compulsory work placements and major works for various subjects. Trial Examinations, which were held during Weeks 5 and 6, gave Year 12 the opportunity to test their skills and knowledge in their preparation for their HSC exams. The feedback they receive from their teachers will be invaluable and all students are encouraged to continue to seek their teachers' assistance, guidance and support in the coming weeks so they can achieve their best possible result.

The end of this term will see Year 12 mark the end of their schooling and celebrate their achievements. First, the Scavenger Hunt is on Monday night Week 10 and should be a fun evening. Look out for our Year 12 students running around Port Stephens, dressed up in costume, and trying to achieve the challenges set for them by their teachers.

The Year 12 Farewell Assembly will then be held on Wednesday Week 10 and will celebrate and recognise the many, varied achievements of this talented, amazing cohort of students. We look forward to our parent community joining us and helping Year 12 mark the end of their schooling. It will no doubt be an emotional day for teachers, parents and students.

With HSC exams early in Term 4, the highlight of the year will be the Year 12 Formal. Many dresses and suits have already been purchased and our students are looking forward to relaxing after their exams are finally over. The Formal is on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November at the Wests Nelson Bay Diggers. Year 12 students hope many of their family and friends will join them for canapés to help celebrate the occasion. Please pay for canapés and Formal Tickets at the office asap. It has been a pleasure being the Year 12 Year Adviser for 2017. I have had the opportunity to get to know so many of this Year group better and I wish then all the best of luck for the coming months ahead.



Leila Courts - Year 12 Advisor

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### Leadership Team

Principal: Mrs Sue Xenos

Deputy Principals:

Year 7 & 10: Arron Stevens,

Year 8 & 11: Glenn Sproule

Year 9 & 12: Sue D'Arcy

### Faculty Leaders

Maths: Rod Lyon

Admin: Brad Foley

Science: Linda Hazell

Teaching/Learning: Stacy Hinks

CAPA: Anne Gorton (Rel)

Special Ed: Dan Hutchinson (Rel))

Wellbeing: Vicki McCleer/Benji Trieger

P/D/H/PE: Jim Papworth

English: Mark Wagland

H/Ec: Karen Shaw (Rel)

HSIE: Craig Windon (Rel)

Industrial Arts: Shane Fitzpatrick

### Year Advisors

Year 7: Gary Stuart

Year 8: Averil Jarvis

Year 9: Joel Ross

Year 10: Karen Smith/

Scott McLennan

Year 11: Steevee Gillette

Year 12: Leila Courts

For further information check our website: [www.tomaree-h.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.tomaree-h.schools.nsw.edu.au)

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# P&C NEWS

## Summary of State Member Ms Kate Washington's Comments at Combined P&Cs Meeting Out of Zone Enrolment

- a) Not able to quote definitive party policy. The current State wide blanket policy came about due to schools in certain metropolitan areas of Sydney having reached capacity. The issue was not new to her as the matter had created angst across the Hunter and she has had numerous pleas and complaints from constituents across her electorate. Whilst unable to quote the party's definitive view, she thought that the matter could have been dealt with an element of compassion. Where there is a sibling enrolled, and others to follow, allow enrolment of the other siblings until the last child in the family completes school. The sudden "no out of zone enrolments" was grossly unfair. She was disappointed that there was no period of time for transition.

## Balance in Student Leadership

- b) Her view was that it was of great concern if both school Captains were male. It is important to have girls in leadership roles across the board to experience positive role modelling.

## New Gonski Funding Model

- c) As yet there has not been enough time to gather relevant information and pursue policy development. It is hoped that our current State government doesn't have to "mop up" the shortfall. The funds need to come from the Federal Government. She fears that the anticipated loss of funding will impact greatly on NAPLAN and the HSC results in the future.

## Review of School Leaving Age

- d) No consideration has been given to pursuing an age change review. The priority of the party is on rebuilding TAFE and increasing vocational education funding. Consideration needs to be given to more alternatives in terms of pathways.

## Teaching of Scripture

- e) The teaching of Scripture was a strongly canvassed topic in recent party debate. It was agreed that the party would support the teaching of Scripture yet campaign to have the option of ethics appear on the enrolment form as the party do support the operation of ethics.

## Other Matters

1. **As Shadow Minister for Early Childhood:** Research shows clearly that the earlier children are involved in education the better the outcomes for them in school years and in life. It is a party priority to make earlier childhood education far more affordable through funding increases. Kate's long term goal is to have pre-school fees predominantly free.
2. **Maintenance Issue in Schools:** There is a huge backlog that needs to be brought to the attention of school communities.
3. **Issues with inadequate power infrastructure** in Port Stephens schools.
4. **Insufficient capacity** for both Tomaree schools to have students utilise **technology to the fullest.**
5. Lack of support for facilities and resources on the Peninsula to manage and improve the **mental health of both youth and adults.**

Whilst attendance numbers were disappointing given the meeting's promotion and status of the guest speaker the consensus was that the joint venture become an annual event.



### **From our August Meeting**

#### **Follow up from our Combined Meeting**

It was agreed that we express our view to the Minister for Education and others that the change was made with little or no consideration to its impact upon families whose children were enrolled out of zone. We will seek the support of Ms Kate Washington to have our power infrastructure improved, increase data for technology and have our Special Ed classes accommodated in appropriate classrooms.

#### **School Review of Mathematics**

Deputy Principal Mr Sproule gave a comprehensive summary. The Assessment Panel were appreciative of the positive feedback from parents.

#### **Year 12 End of Year P&C Presentation Assembly Awards**

As it is some time since the value of each prize has been increased it was agreed that an additional \$50 would be added to each of our awards.

#### **Grounds Committee**

In her Principal's Report Ms Xenos advised that a grounds committee had been formed. Parents are welcome to be involved.

#### **Celebration of 20 Years of Education at Tomaree Education Centre**

Next year we will be two decades old and we voted unanimously to support a whole site event.

#### **Volunteers for Real Futures Golf Day Fundraiser on October 20<sup>th</sup>**

Our school benefits in many ways due to Real Futures. If you are able to lend a hand all or part of the day please contact Marion Sampson 0459 333 851 E: [info@realfutures.com.au](mailto:info@realfutures.com.au)

#### **E – Book/ App Fundraiser**

To date we have made 31 sales, down somewhat on the same time last year. Fundraiser sales will conclude on the last day of this term.

**NEXT MEETING** As the fourth Tuesday of this month falls in the holidays our next meeting will be Wed Oct 11<sup>th</sup> to commence at 6:15 p.m.

### **Diary Dates:**

- 20/09/17 Year 12 Presentation & Farewell Ceremony MPC 9.30am till 11.30am
- 22/09/17 Last Day of Term 3.
- 09/10/17 First Day of Term 4.
- 11/10/17 P&C meeting 6.15pm
- 16/10/17 HSC commences
- 15/11/17 Year 12 Formal

# SUPPORT FACULTY STUDENTS

During Term 2 several of the Support Faculty Students participated in the TAFE YES (YOUTH ENGAGEMENT STRATEGY) program. Courses included:

**F.A.B. Kitchens (Kitchen Fabrication) - Nail Me Home (Joinery) - Paint the Town (Paint & Signage) Fitspiration (Fitness) - Children's Services (Child Studies) - From Floor to Wall (Flooring and Carpentry)**

## Paint and Signage Program

Jaidan with his blank mini surfboard and skateboard, Kyle preparing designs and finished surf board and skate boards. Cassandra Ralph- TAFE OUTREACH CO-ORDINATOR – with Jaidan on the Paint & Signage Program



## Fitspiration Program

Left, Viewing the Newcastle Knights Hub, including Alex McKinnon's jersey prior to his injury.



## F.A.B. Kitchen - Fabricated Kitchen Construction Program

Shaun (below) using the machine drill & gluing gun. An example of CAD (Computer Aided Design) used in Kitchen Design (below right)



## Nail Me Home - Joinery Program

Stevie, below, overcoming her fears & using the grinding machine with all required PPE also measuring out her work.



## From Floor to Wall



Liam mixing 'mud' to fill gaps, filling the gaps & the finished

## Childcare Program



Lucy and Sarah participating in class

Jaidan with his Certificate of Participation



The good news is the YES program will be offered again in Term 4. This was an extremely successful program the students participated in which enabled them to gain insight in work experience.



## What's Happening In Home Ec!

With Term 3 drawing to a close, students in Home Economics have been busy designing and creating across a variety of specialist areas.

**In stage 4 Food Technology**, students have now completed their introduction to cookery and are now capable of preparing and serving food safely and hygienically. Next term they can look forward to designing their own dish as a part of their design task.

*In Food Technology, students receive one demonstration lesson prior to their practical lesson.*



Mrs Murray demonstrating Banana Muffins to her Year 7 class



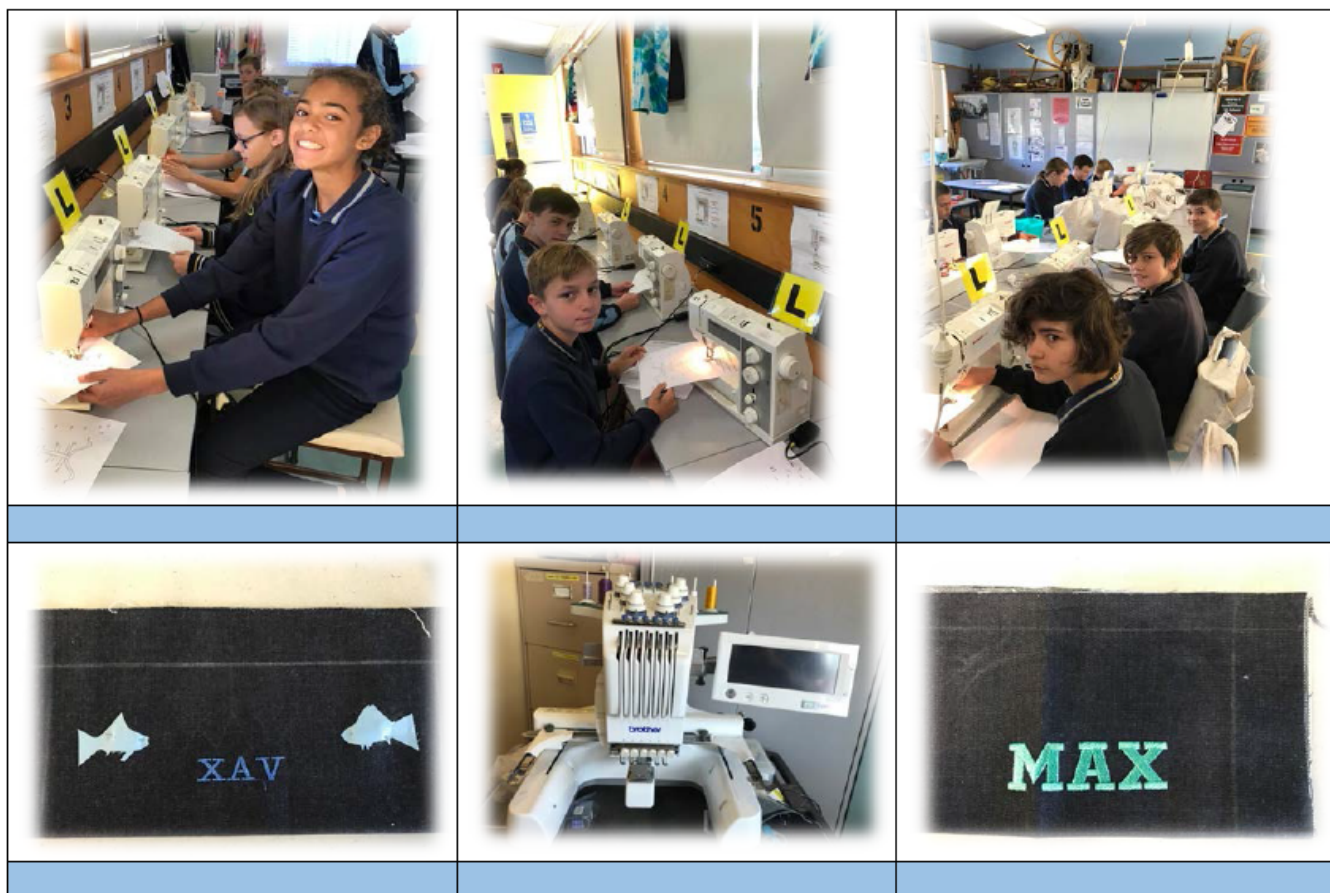
Students in Ms Page / Ms Bohun's class cooking their banana muffins.

*Naturally, with cooking comes cleaning and we always remind our students to get some extra homework in by doing those dishes at home!*





**In Stage 4 Textiles Technology**, you may remember these photos from THS Facebook page, when students were just learning how to operate the sewing machines... well a little further down the track and students are now able of not only operating the sewing machines but also use the specialist embroidery machines to personalise their products.



*Students can look forward to using their newly learnt textile skills to produce their own unique pair of shorts next term.*



# Year 10 Child Studies visit Salamander Day Care Centre

***Play is the Work of Children" J. Piaget***

Year 10 Child Studies students have been studying play and play based learning. As a part of this unit students visited Salamander Day Care Centre to see first hand play in action.

Students were given a talk by the director of the centre, Mandy Moore, who explained the ethos behind early childhood play and learning. Thank you Mandy for giving up your time to speak to our students they certainly were lucky to have such an expert on hand. Mandy has travelled to the UK recently to visit some of the early childhood centres and to see the latest research in action. After this, the students were broken into groups to spend time in the different rooms to interact and play with the children. It was wonderful to see our Year 10 students engaging with the younger children in all sorts of play activities in particular, one group started a game of 'What's the Time Mr Wolf' which grew in popularity and was a joy to watch.

Karen Shaw





# CAREERS NEWS

Upheaval and Excitement best describes the upcoming events and activities for the Careers faculty, Year 12 students will ultimately make decision beyond the world of schooling, Year 10 will begin preparing for the same transition by staging mock group interviews and making commitments to continued schooling.

Tertiary education enrolments should be completed for University and TAFE over the next few weeks. Students who intend studying at University have until 29<sup>th</sup> of September for Early Bird enrolment with [University Admissions Centre](#) UAC. Having selected the preferred 5 university courses be sure to enrol in the [School Recommendation Scheme](#) SRS, where eligible students may receive an early offer from a University. Students can change course preferences at any time but blackout periods do happen just prior to the offer rounds. [Hunter TAFE](#) will be publishing courses in October for 2018. Most courses are already listed and students should register an enquiry now if they find a suitable course. Actually Enrolling into a TAFE course requires attending the enrolment day and there are no ATAR requirements. TAFE is a great way of gaining credential for an occupation, work outcomes are often better than university courses. TAFE could also be the back-up plan and I suggest all year 12 students should be investigating the courses available.

Empower Mentoring is a program run by Newcastle University which is encouraging female students to enter into the industry fields of business and law. Students have participated in connected classroom mentoring sessions with university students and business representatives have been presenting lunch box seminars to the students on how to get established in industry. Students are learning of the barriers that exist in these fields and ways to break down these barriers. Visiting the New Business and Law centre in Newcastle has been the highlight of the program but most students have learnt interesting facts about business and law that may stimulate interest to pursue this as a career.

Whilst Students in Year 10 have successfully selected senior schooling subjects, TVET course and SBAT positions are still open. Students interested in TVET courses are required to complete an expression of interest form which includes a parents/ carers signature. Information on courses is available from TAFE, <http://www.hunter.tafensw.edu.au/students/pages/tafe-for-schools.aspx> SBAT position can be completed any time from now until Term 1 2018. Information form SBAT can be obtained in the resources section of <http://northernnsw.startmytrade.com.au/>

Tomaree High students explored career pathways on excursions to University of Newcastle and to Newcastle TAFE. Year 12 students attended the visitor's day on the last week of Term 2 and the bus was buzzing on the way home with stories of newly discovered course and careers. The TAFE tour was equally well received by Year 10 and 11 students, some did complain there was a little too much walking as we did tour every faculty on site. The Music studio was the hit of the day, and the surprise package was the Science faculty particularly the chemistry lab. Excursions are a great way to discover future career pathway, but such discovery only occurs if students participate, so I encourage all students to get involved.

Early in Term 4 all year 10 students will be participating in a group interview session conducted by Port Stephens Council. The interview will imitate actual employment application processes with students being encouraged to dress smartly in school uniform and to have a resume with them. Public speaking skills learnt at this event will be invaluable and whilst these activities can feel daunting, every student will benefit and generally leave feeling quite elated.

Kyle McElwain





## Year 11 Exploring Early Childhood Students get some hands-on experience in early childhood literacy

Students from Year 11 EEC went over to Tomaree Community Library to observe the Read and Rhyme early childhood literacy classes held each Wednesday. The students have been learning about childhood literacy and saw firsthand techniques to get children started in early reading. Students observed the children and interacted with them after the session. They investigated some of the children's books in the library in preparation for their assessment task on children's literature



As part of their Assessment, students have written and produced in class a variety of books for children ranging in ages from 0-6. Some of these books have are available on line from Storybird there is a link below to the story creation software that helped students to produce such wonderful work.



Parents of students in this class can log in to see their child's book, information how to view the students work on line is on the students' assessment task sheet.

<https://storybird.com/about/>



## Year 9 Student Doeun Kim's Adventures in Korea!

Recently, Year 9 student and newly elected SRC member, Doeun Kim embarked on an educational program in South Korea. She was part of a select few students from the Oceanic/Asian region to take part in the experience last term. Doeun sat down with her Year Adviser, Mr Ross to tell us about her experience.



### What was the program that you participated in? Whereabouts did you go?

The program was called "OK Friends Homecoming 2017" and was organised for South Korean students living in other countries. However there were also other students from other countries there as well! We first visited Pyeongchang which is where the 2018 Winter Olympics will be held. We learnt about the Winter Olympics and were able to visit many of the stadiums which are being constructed for the games. We were also actively involved in the promotion of the Olympic Games while we visited. We also went to the athletes' village for the games which is located in Seoul. Plus we did a big city tour seeing famous landmarks and places of national significance. All students were then broken up into groups and we travelled to Gunsan (about 3 hours away from Pyeongchang), visiting Korean schools and students. During this time I was hosted by another family and I experienced life as a South Korean student!

### What was the best part about it?

I really enjoyed getting to know people from South Korea. Learning about culture, history and ways of life and comparing it to life in Australia.

### What did you learn from the experience?

I learnt a range of leadership skills, confidence, culture and awareness of history. I also learnt about different peoples' values and beliefs. We also learnt about other countries such as the United States, China, Canada, Turkey, Kazakhstan, the Philippines and France and their values and culture.

### How can you use the skills and knowledge learnt at the camp to help you with school and later in life?

I will be able to share my knowledge of other cultures with school friends and the community and also promote awareness of Korean ways of life and values. By doing this I can be a strong leader and advocate for my cultural background. In going on this trip I learnt how to be independent and look after myself, especially since I went to Korea on my own!

Here are some of Doeun's photos during her stay in Korea.





The Mathematics staff of Tomaree High wish the 2017 Year 12 students all the best for their upcoming HSC study and results.

A thought worth remembering:

### **Winner's Creed**

**If you think you are beaten, you are  
If you think you are not, you don't  
If you would like to win but think you can't  
You almost certainly won't.**

**If you think you'll lose, you've lost  
For out in the world you'll find  
Success begins with a fellow's will  
It's all in the state of mind.**

**For many a race is lost  
Before a step is run  
And many a coward fails  
Before his work has begun.**

**Think big and your deeds will grow  
Think small and you will fall behind  
Think that you can and you will  
It's all in the state of mind.**

**Life's battles don't always go  
To the stronger or faster man  
But sooner or later the man who wins  
Is the fellow who thinks he can.**

The Mathematics faculty will be offering study times during the holidays for the students to access assistance with their revision. Dates will be advertised closer to the time.





## REAL FUTURES FOUNDATION

The following businesses have assisted Tomaree High School with its work experience & placement programs. Students have gained vital exposure to business & industry through businesses taking the time & effort to accept students to provide them with a glimpse of careers of their interest.

### *Salamander Bay* **V E T**

Salamander Bay Veterinary Clinic has been providing quality veterinary care to the Port Stephens area for over 20 years from its location adjacent to the Salamander Shopping Centre on Salamander Way. Mark Dowden and his dedicated staff aim to achieve the best possible outcome for our clients and their pets for all their health needs. Tegan recently completed five days of work experience to gain an insight into the career of a VET nurse.

### *Enigma*

Enigma is a Newcastle-based integrated communications company, specialising in marketing, advertising, media, interactive, design & strategy. Seeking more exposure to film & web production, Zac joined Enigma for a week that captured & propelled his imagination.

### MARQUIS



Since March 1979 Marquis have been designing and manufacturing quality bathroom furniture in the NSW Hunter Valley. They are wholly Australian owned and, where possible, source all raw products from Australian manufacturers. All aspects of production comply with stringent Australian standards and they offer a lifetime guarantee on all components manufactured by Marquis.

Marquis have consistently accepted students into their business with a number already gaining work experience during 2017.

# STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS ONLINE PAYMENT OPTION NOW AVAILABLE

Parents and carers now have the added convenience of paying students' fees and other school costs including excursions, online.

As a new initiative, Tomaree High School this week has sent students' Statement of Accounts directly to parents via their e-mail addresses. These statements will include a unique link to make secure payments through the Westpac Parent Online Payment (POP) system.

The Statement of Accounts shows amounts invoiced for the General Contribution, Subject Fees, the Learning Resource Bond and other costs. We appreciate prompt payment of fees to ensure a wide variety of learning programs are delivered in the classroom and through school based programs to enrich students' educational experiences at Tomaree High School.

To make a POP online credit card payment, parents will click the secured payment link next to their child's name which will open up a screen showing a list of current school fees and excursions. By default, all fees are selected/ticked for payments but parents can change the amount they wish to pay for an item. Detailed instructions have been posted on the Skoolbag App. If you need assistance to navigate the steps, please ring the school on 49 811444.

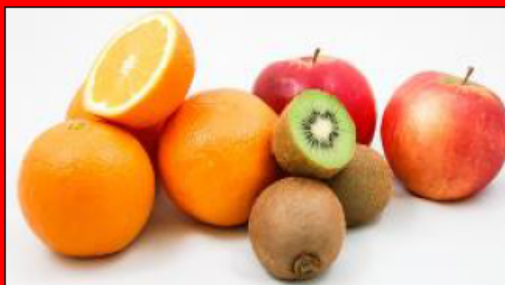
If you have not received the Statement of Accounts e-mail and wish to make online payments, please contact the school to confirm or update your details. The school office is open to receive payments until 1.30pm, Monday-Friday.

There are funds to support our families experiencing financial difficulties – please contact Administration Manager, Mrs Vianney Bills on 49811444.

## PARENTS, CARERS & GRANDPARENTS CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

If you could spend a couple of hours 1 morning a week, fortnight or a month helping out our great canteen team it would be deeply appreciated, enjoy a barista cappuccino and the company of our wonderful canteen staff while helping keep our students in steady supply of nutritious, tasty & great priced lunches and snacks, please **contact**

**Liz Langsford on 49 811444** ask for High School Canteen.





# SAVE THE DATE! UNITE IN PINK

Century 21 presents  
**CHARITY SAUSAGE SIZZLE  
& RAFFLE**

2/24 Donald Street, Nelson Bay  
Thursday 12th October 2017 from 11:00am onwards  
For more information contact us on  
(02) 4984 4700



CENTURY 21 GOES

# PINK

TO HELP BEAT  
WOMEN'S CANCER



Cancer Council



# ANNA BAY SCOUT'S CAR BOOT SALE

Saturday 16th September 2017

Starts 9.00am till 1.00pm

Scout Hall - Fishermans Bay Road



TO BOOK A STALL---  
CALL  
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PETER 0433 583 957

PLUS lots of local stall holders on the day—bric a brac, plants, cake stalls, crafts, kids toys & lots lots more .....

All funds raised will go towards our troops trip to Norfolk Is Jan'18

# FORESHORE TENNIS SPRING SCHOOL HOLIDAY CAMP

Fingal Bay Tennis Club  
Monday 2/10/17 - Friday 6/10/17  
9am - 3pm

\$50 per day or \$200 per week

10% early bird discount

offered for payments made before 19/09/17

Presentation on Friday  
Lunch provided Friday only

Bring racquet,  
hat, sunscreen,  
swimmers, towel  
snacks, lunch  
& water

Call or email James  
on 0421 212 169  
foreshoretennis@gmail.com  
to book your spot



Nelson Bay Tennis Club

September/October  
**HOLIDAY TENNIS CAMP**

Wk.; 1 September: Tues 26,  
Wed 27th & Thurs 28th.

Wk 2: October: Tues 3rd, Wed  
4th & Thurs 5th.

Full Day 9am to 2pm \$40.00  
(lunch included)

Contact Coach Blake  
0403634667



## Nelson Bay Touch Summer Comp starts soon

Registration are now open online for Team and Player registrations



### Juniors – Start Wed 11 Oct.

6, 7 & 8 and 9-10 years. Max 8 per team. Boys Girls or Mixed 11-12 and 13-14 years. Max 12 per team. Boys or Girls (with 4 rep players max per team or option to play up an age group.) \$55 each. \$5 discount 3+ Children.

### Ladies – Start Wed 11 Oct.

A Grade-Individual Registration. See Website for more information ! B or C grade - Team Registration \$850 per team

### Men's – Start Thu 12 Oct.

A, B, C & D Grade \$850 per team

### Mixed – Start Fri 13 Oct.

A, B, C & D Grade \$800 per team

Junior Representative team opportunities for all registered players dates for trials will be posted in coming weeks.

If you don't have a team that's Ok. All Individual players of all abilities welcome. Just register online with the Team Code provided & we will find you a team.

Please see Nelson Bay Touch website for full details or contact us at :-

[nelsonbaytouch@hotmail.com](mailto:nelsonbaytouch@hotmail.com)  
Nelson Bay Touch Football

## Come try Sailing!



at the  
Grahamstown Sailing  
& Aquatic Club  
Grahamstown Road, Medowie

**26, 27 & 28 September 2017**  
(Tuesday to Thursday)

**\*Cost: \$45/sailor**

**\*\$65 per family (maximum 3 persons, \$10pp extra)**

Fee includes: use of personal floatation device, course handbook, sailing with experienced sailors, practical sailing and racing activities, Certificate on completion.

Kiosk open: Light snacks, drinks, ice creams available

Time: 10am - approx.3pm each day.

Venue: Fielding Madden Park  
Grahamstown Rd. Medowie

To book, please contact:

Richard Byrne 4981 7509, [sailwithrichard@gmail.com](mailto:sailwithrichard@gmail.com) or  
Frank Bardsley Ph/fax 4982 3053

**Who can learn? Anyone, age 12 yrs & above.**

(If you have younger children wishing to participate please contact us.)

**People with a disability are welcome!**

*Sailability, a world-wide organisation, aims at making Sailing available at low cost for all, regardless of ability or disability.*



[www.facebook.com/sailabilityportstephens](http://www.facebook.com/sailabilityportstephens)

\*\$25 for past participants or \$45 per family

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# STUDENTS SAY

## THIS NEWSLETTERS QUESTION: WHAT DO YOU THINK OF VIVOS?

You get rewarded for things that you should be doing anyway, like being quiet in class..

Yr 8

That you can buy stuff that your parents may not be able to afford.

Kirra-lee Yr 7

Because you get some cool gifts/prizes.

Jake

The prizes and the points.

Gemma Yr 8

Vivo's are good, however commendations were good because of the weekly draw.

Yr 11

I think Vivo is better because you can choose what you want.

Yes, good to be rewarded for been good and doing the right thing.

I think Vivo is better than commendations because you have multiple choices of prizes.

Great, It allows the formal tickets to be more affordable