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Year 7 Great Aussie Bush Camp
19 May 2010 - 21 May 2010

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27 May 2010

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We are a 7-10 High School on the same site as Tuncurry Senior Campus and Tuncurry Institute of TAFE. Our current enrolments from the local drawing area are 545 from culturally diverse backgrounds. We strive for excellence and are a school that cares.

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13 May 2010

Reconciliation week
27 May 2010

Queen's birthday (public holiday)
14 June 2010

We offer an adult learning and working environment for students in Years 11-12. Strong links with TAFE and Universities are enhanced through quality teaching. We are an integral part of the Great Lakes College and the wider community.

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Good News

Now each Campus has its own Website the Dolphin will be placed by Friday of weeks 3,6,and 9 each term for your convenience. In the past many parents had difficulty in receiving a copy. This will be our main way of communication and save on the cost of printing. If you would like a hard copy this can be arranged through your campus office.

Enjoy the full colour version on the Website.

www.glcforster-h.schools.nsw.edu.au

www.glctuncjun-h.schools.nsw.edu.au

www.glctunsen-h.schools.nsw.edu.au

Welcome back to Term Two which as always is a very busy time with Half Yearly exams and reports to be completed for students and parents.

I would like to also extend a warm welcome to a number of new staff who have joined the college this term. At Tuncurry Junior Campus Mr Jock Webb (Science) and Mr Chris Ceccato (Science) and Forster Campus Mr Anthony Thomas (Geography) and Ms Wendy Yarnold (PDH/PE). At the Tuncurry site I also would like to welcome Mrs Michelle MacDonald as the new Canteen Supervisor. I am sure they will enjoy their new positions at Great Lakes College.

On Friday April 23 I had the opportunity to attend ANZAC Ceremonies at each campus. I cannot speak highly enough of the manner and involvement of our students at each celebration. Speaking to guests after the ceremonies, all spoke glowingly of our students and the thoughtful manner of each ceremony. Congratulations to all involved, in particular to the coordinators of each ceremony, Lynn Graham (Forster Campus), Mick Lawson (Tuncurry Junior Campus) and Helen Ackland (Tuncurry Senior Campus).

The College Athletics Carnival was a great success with all students and staff enjoying a beautiful day in the sun. Walking around it was wonderful to see students having a go whether competing for points or just participating for enjoyment. These days add to the relationships between staff and students as they can interact in a less formal environment. Organising a carnival of this magnitude for three campuses is a huge task. A big thank you to Christina Whitbread and Wayne Barry for their efforts.

Many of you would be aware of the media coverage and debate around the impending NAPLAN testing due to take place in week 4 this term. After extensive consultation and professional discussion with staff in both 7-10 campuses, NAPLAN testing will go ahead at Great Lakes College. Information should have been sent to parents this week, if you have any questions relating to NAPLAN organisation please contact the Campus Principals, Judy Hall (Forster) or Paul Bulbert (Tuncurry Junior)

*Graeme Jennings
College Principal*

Canteen News

P. & C. are responsible for the running and staffing of both our College Canteens. Early 1st Term 2010 our Tuncurry Canteen Supervisor Tricia Anderson resigned after 10 years of employment with us. We wish her well in her future endeavours.

Roselin Bultitude Supervisor of Forster Campus Canteen was gracious enough to step in to the role while we advertised to fill the position. For this we would like to say a **VERY BIG THANK YOU** especially to Ros who worked tirelessly to benefit our students and College Staff. And to her exceptional volunteer Al Bultitude and hardworking staff Debbie Harrison thank you. We would also like to thank Nicola Lewis and Kerry Ravell for their outstanding efforts filling Ros' shoes at Forster Campus, well done girls.

A new Supervisor has been employed and we would like to **WELCOME** Michelle MacDonald to our team. We look forward to a very successful year.

We would also like to recognise the efforts of our volunteers, Treasurer Trish Eacott and our Canteen Convenor Sandy Cheers who give up so much of their time to run our canteens, and have done so for many years. Please don't forget that all monies raised in our Canteens (after running costs) are donated back to all of the College Campuses.

Sandy Cheers

COLLEGE

DATES TO REMEMBER:

College P & C

Forster Library 7.30pm..... June 2

Writing School Notes

If your child is away from school, please write a note within two days explaining why your child was away and include the following information:

- child's name
- date/s and number of days your child was away
- the reason
- other information; perhaps they have an injury and cannot play sport.

Your child can return the note to the front office or their roll call teacher. (Sample Note for your use see back page for your convenience)

COLLEGE NEWS

Singers Wanted

Do you love singing?

Do you have ambitions of participating on stage in the next school musical?

Have your friends told you you have a great singing voice?

If you answered YES to ANY or ALL of the above questions, read on....

For ANY STUDENT in ANY YEAR, attending ANY CAMPUS – if you are interested in ensemble singing or would like to improve your skills, we would like to hear from you! The Vocal Ensemble (Choir) is always welcoming new singers. However, this year, rehearsals have been changed from lunchtimes to after school to enable longer, uninterrupted and more productive rehearsal time.

Rehearsals are in the Music Rooms (G block) at Tuncurry on **Wednesdays: 3.15pm – 4.00pm**. Come along and make yourself known, or speak to any Music Teacher to find out more information. If you can't make Wednesday afternoon rehearsals but would still like to be involved, talk to your Music Teacher to find out how.

Did you know?

- **Shine On**, our local entertainment spectacular, is occurring in September this year and the Vocal Ensemble will be participating in it.
- There is now a local group rehearsing at our campus for the **Mid-North Coast Regional Representative Choir**, comprising students from all over our local region, including Gloucester, Bulahdelah, and Chatham. This choir represents DET Public Schools and includes students **from Year 5 to Year 12**. Involvement is via audition and more information will be advertised soon for a second round of auditions in this area. Their first performance will be in August.
- Being involved in the Vocal Ensemble qualifies you for **School Service SMS's** each time you perform to represent the school.
- **Employers** want to know that they're hiring someone who can work as part of a team to achieve a common goal – this is exactly what you do in the Vocal Ensemble and this involvement is printed on your school reports for all prospective employers to see.

*Narelle Richardson
College Ensemble Choir*

COLLEGE SPORT

North Coast Regional School Surfing Titles

Friday March 19 saw students from all over the North Coast region descend on Boomerang Beach to compete in the Regional School Surfing Titles. Hosted again this year by Forster Campus the day was a success with all students scoring good waves and achieving some impressive results.

Results for the college were:

U16 Boys Teams

2nd – Jesse King and Jack Doherty (Forster)

U16 boys Individual

Equal 5th – Max Johnson (Forster)

U16 Girls Individual

3rd – Lauren Abberton (Tuncurry Jnr)

U19 Girls Teams

1st – Kate Raines and Merinda Tedesco (Tuncurry Snr)

Equal 3rd – Pippa Whitehouse and Bree Gardiner (Tuncurry Snr)

U19 Girls Individual

3rd – Kate Raines (Tuncurry Snr)

Equal 7th – Pippa Whitehouse (Tuncurry Snr)

U19 Boys Teams

Equal 3rd – Nat Tyrrell and Jono Rooney (Tuncurry Snr)

Equal 6th – James Duval and Brendan Ford (Tuncurry snr)

7th – Ben Reed and Rhys Brassey (Forster)

U19 Boys Individual

Equal 5th – Brodie Pitt (Tuncurry snr)

Equal 7th – Ben Reed (Forster)

Congratulations to all students who participated and thank you to Alicia Ieroianni, Sally Andrews and Rachael Neaves who were helpers on the day.

*Wendy Yarnold
Regional Surfing Coordinator*

CHS Swimming Report

Twenty four swimmers from Great Lakes College excelled in the recent CHS Swimming Championships held at Sydney Olympic Park Aquatic Centre (SOPAC) on March 29-31. SOPAC is a world class venue, site of 2000 Olympic Games. The atmosphere was electric especially amongst our college participants.

Great Lakes College had six teams compete in relays and five individual competitors in a range of events.

Brooke Summers (50/100/200m Freestyle, 100m Backstroke, 100m Butterfly), **Matt Koch** (100m Freestyle), **Jesse King** (100m Breaststroke), **Alicia Ieroianni** (100m Backstroke) and **Ashleigh Clarke** (50m

Freestyle) competed in individual events. Jesse King won silver in his event. Brooke and Ashleigh made the finals.

In the **relay events**, five teams performed magnificently to make it to the finals. **Girls 12 yrs** won a bronze medal: Brooke Summers, Daniella Ponte, Camila Ponte-Alvarez and Jade Gaul; **Boys 13 yrs** team came 7th: Mitchell Hamilton, Jake Schumacher, Dylan Nash and Andrew Fisher; **Girls 14yrs** team came 6th: Elle Atkinson, Hayley Turner, Katie Gilfillan and Amy Walton; **Boys 15yrs** team came 5th: Ben Summers, Jesse King, Jesse Bridgement and Ryan Clarke; **Girls All Age team** came 6th: Brooke Summers, Georgia Hudson, Elle Atkinson, Alicia Ieroianni, Isabel Ponte and Ashleigh Clarke. The **17+ Girls** was not seeded for the final.

Congratulations to all swimmers on an excellent event. Many swimmers achieved personal bests at the carnival.

Kim Hamilton

FORSTER CAMPUS

Principal's Report

We have had a really positive start to the term. Our enrolments are now up to 689 and we welcome two new permanent members of staff: Anthony Thomas (Geography/Science) and Wendy Yarnold (PDHPE/Dance/Marine Technology).

At the end of last term, two of our staff received appointments to other schools – Michael Manahan as Head Teacher Administration to Chatham High and John Soorley as classroom teacher of the multi-categorical class at Chatham Public. Replacement teachers for these staff members for the remainder of this year are Chris Kingston (replacing Mr Manahan) and Debbie Read (replacing Mr Soorley). Mr Brian Webb has returned from Long Service Leave and is currently working in a part-time capacity – job sharing with Mrs Kerrie Davies.

Our Term 2 Staff Development Day was spent on reviewing programs and assessment documents to ensure that they contained Higher Order Thinking skills and catered for the full range of learners. All faculties will be continuing work in these areas this term.

Our ANZAC ceremony was held on the first Friday of this term and the behaviour of our students was of the highest order. We had a number of community representatives present and all of them commented on how respectful the students were. Our school leadership team, together with Ebony Martin, Matthew Dunk, Laura Christianson and Daniel Mansour

were outstanding in conducting and participating in the order of service.

I was very impressed with the small but dedicated contingent of Forster Campus students who marched on behalf of the college on ANZAC Day itself. The conditions were atrocious – yet the students showed their respect by staying for the entire march and wreath laying ceremony. That sort of dedication and respect is indicative of the calibre of our student body.

Judy Hall

Principal

Deputy Principal's Report

All students in Years 7 to 10 have made a settled start to the term with classrooms centred on effective learning. This has been illustrated by the first RAP scores which showed that 75% of year 7 students; 70% of year 8 students; 76% of year 9 students and 70% of year 10 students are in the gold and blue bands. So, congratulations all round to students, staff and parents. At the end of last term, Youth Liaison Officer, Constable Brad Berry, visited Year 7 and Year 8 classes presenting anti bullying strategies for students. This was followed early this term by School Police Liaison Officer, Senior Constable Bruce Gauld's visit to years 9 and 10 presenting information on cyber safety and a second day visiting the Support Unit.

Term 2 has seen some changes to playground usage allowing students increased access to various areas. In addition, the Positive Behaviour Learning Project has focused on improving student behaviour in the canteen area. Students in classrooms are learning about expectations through a student devised DVD coordinated by Mrs Lynn Graham, Mr Brad Germon and Mr Scott Machon.

At our recent College Athletics Carnival Forster Campus student attendance was strong with students participating in a range of competitive and novelty events. Parents are reminded that any students absent on the day require a note explaining the absence. Year advisers, Mrs Annette Sanders and Mr Vincent Jensen and Year 7 students are very excited about the Great Aussie Bush Camp which is occurring on May 5 to 7. With 112 students attending, it promises to be a wonderful team building event. Students who are not able to go to the camp are expected to attend school. In recent year 9 and 10 meetings Year Advisers have been encouraging all students to remain focused with their assessment tasks so that they are submitted on time. Students are reminded that all assessment work

must be submitted to achieve either year 9 or 10 outcomes.

NAPLAN tests will be conducted on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday in Week 4 for Year 7 and 9. A catch up day will be held on Friday. Year 9 tests will be held in MPH and Year 7 in Maths block. Letters/ timetables will be distributed early in week 3. Week 5 is examination week for the campus. Assessment moratorium week is held in the week prior so that students spend this time preparing for semester exams. Time tables will be issued for all students. Yr 9 and 10 exams will be held in MPH.

Vibe 3 on 3

On Friday March 26 (Term 1 Week 9), 15 students from Forster Campus, Donna Hall (AEO) and Mrs Hopley (HT Welfare) travelled to Taree to attend the 2010 Vibe 3 on 3 Basketball Competition.

Our junior girls excelled in their basketball games and convincingly won 2 of their 3 games on the day. They played with great determination and displayed a very healthy competitive spirit. Members of this team were Kaia Ridgeway, Tennaya Berry, Michaela Cunningham, Jessica French and Jade-Pearl Doyle.

Students also took part in Rap and Dance workshops throughout the day and were spectators to performances. Other students to attend were Bria Simon, Tjnaya Simon, Elley Rayner, Taine Paulson, Jai Martin, Bray Simon, Coen Simon, Ebony Martin, Dylan Lowry and Benson Manton.

Congratulations to these students for their participation, positive attitude, support of each other and positive representation of Great Lakes College.



back row: Bray Simon, Benson Manton, Dylan Lowry, Taine Paulson
front row: Tennaya berry, Jessica French

NAPLAN TESTING

NAPLAN testing will take place as scheduled next Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. The results of NAPLAN are used in a diagnostic fashion to assist teachers with designing appropriate programs that best address literacy and numeracy needs. It also helps us to map the progress of students in Year 9. All students in both Years 7 and 9 need to attend as usual.

FORSTER CAMPUS

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Forster Campus Football Cup	May 4
Core Of Life Year 9	May 4
Year 7 Aussie Bush Camp	May 5-7
Music Excursion	
Sydney Symphony Orchestra.....	May 5
Science & Engineering Challenge	May 6
Taree Eisteddfod	
Drama Year 9 & 10.....	May 7
Moratorium on Assessment tasks	May 10-14
Taree Eisteddfod	
Drama Year 9 & 10.....	May 10
Naplan	May 11-13
Taree Eisteddfod	
Drama Year 8	May 12
Loud Shirt Day	May 14
Exam Week	May 17-21
Vaccinations #3	May 21
College P & C	
Forster Library 7.30pm	June 2

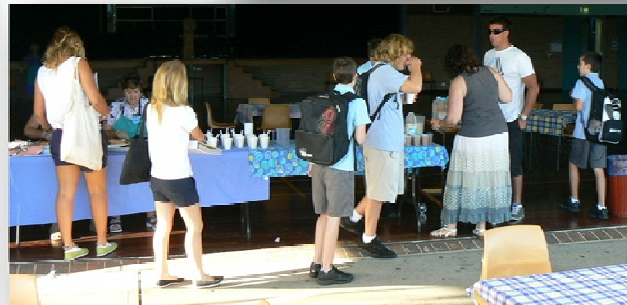
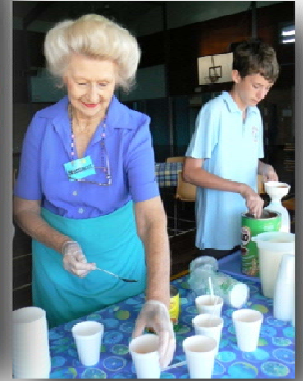
Forster Campus Chill Out Breakfast Program

What is Chill-Out?

Chill Out is an exceptional, multifaceted whole school program which has been in operation since Term 3 2003. It provides students with an opportunity to partake of a healthy breakfast on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. It has had a significant impact on improving whole school climate, resulting in whole school improvement.

Campus Principal Judy Hall reports:

"The 'Chill-Out' Program is one of the most exciting school – community initiatives with which I have had the pleasure to be involved. To see students sitting down together at a table eating a nutritious breakfast served up by members of our local community, is just such a buzz. The atmosphere is warm and welcoming, students are happy - as are the volunteers. In fact, I often think that the volunteers get as much out of this program as the students, actively engaged in learning and making a positive start to the day - due in part to a happy, healthy start to the day. It's fabulous!"

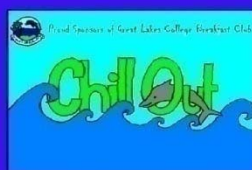


Great Lakes College Forster Campus
Would like to acknowledge
and thank our
2010 sponsors of the
'Chill Out'
Breakfast Club Program.

Baker's Delight
Stocklands Breese Parade

Beach Bums Cafe
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Forster

Tony Roberts
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Forster Tower 12-16 Wallis Street

College Athletics Carnival



Relieving Principal's Report

Hello everyone and welcome to another edition of the Dolphin. Here at Tuncurry Junior Campus we are getting ready for our mid-term round of RAP. Many parents have contacted me praising the program and expressing their support for the focus on the Core values of the College. A number of parents have asked for copies of the statements that go with the Core Values so that they can make them the focus of discussion at home with their children, especially when talking about RAP results. If you do not have a copy and would like one, please feel free to contact me and we will get them out to you.

We have welcomed two new staff members to the School this term. Chris Ceccato who comes to us from Griffith as a Science teacher and brings his family with him. Jock Webb comes to us from Caves Beach as a PDH/PE and Science teacher and this is his first permanent appointment. Congratulations to both Chris and Jock and welcome to the School. They will be very valuable additions to our excellent staff team.

Did you know that we have moved some student bike racks to the area between A Block and C Block? They are against the wall of C Block, directly across from the Principal's and Deputy Principal's office. There is sufficient space for 24 bikes. Student now have a realistic alternative to leaving their bikes at the end of the Hall.

As the College Principal Graeme Jennings, has pointed out, NAPLAN testing will go ahead here next week. Discussion around whether or not to go ahead with them has been open, vigorous and productive here at Tuncurry Junior Campus. We are all concerned about the impact league tables, based on performances of schools in NAPLAN testing, can have on schools across the State and across the Nation. Historically, we do very well here in NAPLAN and we want to continue that tradition. We also know that many of you parents look forward to receiving the reports about your child's performance in the testing to know how they are faring on a nationwide basis. I am pleased to report that the NAPLAN testing for Years 7 and 9 will go ahead next week, as forecast in the letter that you received last term, and 11-13/5/10. It is vital that your child be here and ready to participate and do their best in these tests. I look forward to a very high participation rate in the testing because you have made the effort to ensure that your child is here. Thank you in advance for that.

Paul Bulbert
Relieving Principal

2010 Vaccinations

Date	Year	Vaccine	Dose
Friday May 28	7	Boys & Girls Hep B	1 st Dose
	7	Girls HPV	2 nd Dose

TUNCURRY JUNIOR CAMPUS

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Year 9 Laptop Rollout	May 6
Sydney Sinfonia Concert	
Stage 5 & 6 Music.....	May 5
Naplan	May 11-13
Exam Week	May 17-21
Year 7 Aussie Bush Camp	May 19-21
Year 7 Boys/Girls Vaccinations	May 28

Useful information for parents

There are many items on this web site of particular interest to parents.

<http://www.boardofstudies.nsw.edu.au/parents/>



Onstage Excursion Rocks!

Twenty Year 11 and 12 students attended an overnight excursion to watch the best of the HSC Drama performances at the Seymour Centre in Sydney. This annual excursion allows students to see exemplar performances as well as projects in costume, set, publicity, reviews and video. This experience allows students to recognise what is required to achieve in the higher outcome bands in the course. In addition students were blown away by a performance of *Wicked* at the Capital Theatre and also enjoyed some retail therapy. All students were very mature and have ensured the continuation of this annual event.



School students go MaD for \$250 cash prizes

After the success of the *Making a Difference* competition in 2009, Charles Sturt University (CSU) invites senior school students to enter into the 2010 competition. The *Making a Difference* (MaD) Social Justice Innovation Award is open to all students in NSW and ACT aged 15 and 21 years and in Year 10, 11 or 12 at high school or a student at TAFE. Students are asked to "write a story, poem or script that addresses any issue of social justice". In addition to the cash prizes, each winner is asked to select a charity of their choice which CSU will then make a \$250 donation to on their behalf. In 2009 the charities chosen were UNICEF, MADRE, Cystic Fibrosis Australia and Youth Off the Streets. The MaD competition will run again in 2010 with entries open on Monday 2 May, 2010 and closing on Friday 2 July, 2010. Judging will take place in July and winners will be announced on Monday 16 August 2010. More information, including a full list of competition conditions, is available at www.csu.edu.au/student/mad

It's your day at MyDay

Three MyDay events are coming up at Charles Sturt University (CSU) in Bathurst.

MyDay Human Movement will be held on Friday 30 April, with Thursday 6 May hosting two MyDays, one for Communications and the other for Information Technology. The MyDay events give senior school students a chance to experience what university courses have to offer. For example, the MyDay Communications event will show visitors where the news breaks, where the award winning advertising teams spend their time developing campaigns in their on campus agency, Kajulu, and where Public Relations students face the media frenzy in the on campus media centre. Our lecturers will take you through the courses we offer and the excellent facilities we have here on campus.

For further information please contact Judy Walsh on 02 6338 6010 or email infoevents@csu.edu.au. Whether you're in Year 10, Year 11, or studying for your final year exams, it's never too late to explore your options so why not come and visit CSU for an open day every day tour at any of our five regional campuses. A tour with an experienced student ambassador will help you acquaint yourself with the campus and its facilities. You will also get a chance to talk to staff members or lecturers about courses of interest and find out what it's really like to study at CSU. Tours are available Monday to Friday and bookings are essential at least three business days before the time you require. Find out more at <http://www.csu.edu.au/study/campus-tours.htm> or call 1800 334 733.

CSU Global can take you places

Recent studies have indicated that over 80% of employers believe that graduates who undertake an overseas experience return to Australia with enhanced skills applicable to the workplace. CSU Global provides programs designed to give undergraduate students (on campus and studying by distance education) international exposure and a competitive edge in the graduate market, preparing students for work and citizenship through international exchange. If you're considering an international career, you might want to check out CSU Global. Visit <http://www.csu.edu.au/special/global/> for more information.

Senior Campus Careers Dates Term 2:

Year 12 Interviews – Monday 10 and Tuesday 11 May. Letters have been posted home.
Year 12 Parent / Teacher Night – Thursday May 13th - Careers Adviser Available 3-6pm
Aboriginal Careers Day – Forster Campus – Tuesday 1st June.
University of Newcastle Schools Open Day excursion- Year 12 – 1st July.

You Could Learn A Lot From An International Brother Or Sister.

*Climate change? Further education?
Cultural differences? Language?
Study habits? Careers?*

And what fun teaching him or her about Australian culture! Capture the spirit of family and friendship by hosting an international exchange student from Southern Cross Cultural Exchange.

Carefully selected students will arrive in July 2010 for 5 months from Europe and Scandinavia. They will attend a local secondary school, are fully insured and have their own spending money. If your family would like to have the opportunity to have a brother or sister from overseas for a semester, please call us now.

CONTACT : 1800 500 501

email : scceaust@scce.com.au

www.scce.com.au

Midnight Basketball Bounces into Forster

Forster's Midnight Basketball committee is seeking volunteers and players to take part in their first Midnight Basketball tournament.

Launched in Redfern in 2007, Midnight Basketball has continued to grow from strength to strength with tournaments now being held throughout the country, and without the support of around 15 volunteers each night, this successful program wouldn't exist.

Midnight Basketball targets 12 to 18 year olds and provides them with a fun, healthy, social activity on a Friday night in a safe environment. It's proven to be a

great platform to meet new people and break down barriers.

This free eight week program will be held at the YMCA, Lake St, Forster from 7.30pm to midnight, commencing on Friday, 14 May 2010.

The Midnight Basketball program includes a basketball tournament, healthy dinners and interactive life skills workshops tackling issues such as nutrition, career skills, sexual health and drugs and alcohol.

In keeping with Midnight Basketball's motto - 'No Workshop, No Jumpshot' – all players must attend the workshop in order to play basketball. At the end of the night, all players are transported home to their front door.

"Midnight Basketball is an exciting concept and I'd encourage both players and volunteers to give it a go" said Sarah Brooker. "The committee, with the support of a number of community organisations including, the YMCA, Homebase Youth Service, NSW Police, Hunter New England Health and Great Lakes Council, have worked hard to create what we believe will be a successful community event".

Midnight Basketball will commence on 14 May at the YMCA Forster.

Registration is now open for both volunteers and players -

visit www.midnightbasketball.org.au/locations/forster or contact Chris Simon on 0407792608.

Free Graduated Licensing Scheme Workshops for Learner Driver Parents in Great Lakes Shire

Young drivers are three times more likely to be involved in casualty crashes. That's why the RTA has introduced a new licensing scheme, with more supervised driving practice for learner drivers.

To help parents in supervising learner drivers, the RTA has set up FREE 2 hour workshop for parents that offers practical advice on how to help learner drivers become a safer drivers.

A FREE RTA parents' workshop will be hosted by David Riches on Thursday May 27th at Club Forster from 6.00 pm – 8.00 pm.

Early bookings are essential, so phone on 0438 215323 now to reserve your place, or email parentworkshop@optusnet.com.au

Séjour En Nouvelle Calédonie

On April 30, nine students from years 11 and 12, accompanied by four teachers, flew to Noumea, New Caledonia for eight days.

While in New Caledonia, the group visited Le Phare Amédée, an island situated 40 minutes from the coast of Noumea. Activities that the group participated in on the island were snorkelling, a glass bottom boat tour, a reef cruise, a French Polynesian feast along with cultural dancing, coconut tree climbing and husking, sarong tying and even climbing the 247 steps of the lighthouse that was built in 1862.

Other activities included a sightseeing tour on Le Petit Train, where the group saw the city and its monuments including military barracks, the statue of Virgin Mary, Protestant Church and the coastline of Noumea.

A fun night was spent at La Soirée Noir et Blanc, a black and white dance party, at which there were over 1000 young people, including both locals and tourists. The trip was not only a great cultural experience for all involved, it also vastly improved the student's French vocabulary through formal lessons and interactions with locals. The girls who went would like to thank Fran Martin for organising this amazing trip. C'était formidable!



TUNCURRY SENIOR CAMPUS

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Parent Teacher Interviews

Sausage Sizzle 4-7pm

Year 12 May 13

Open Day 10am to 2pm June 19

Year 12 Study Day

9am to 5-30pm June 19



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Year 12 Parent/Teacher/Student Evening

This important event will be held on Thursday, May 13. It provides an invaluable opportunity for teachers to discuss with parents and students their current progress, and to determine the best way forward toward the Trial HSC and the HSC exam itself. This will also be the last chance for parents to receive feedback on student progress before Year 12 students finish their courses.

Students are encouraged to accompany parents to the meeting, which is intended to be a three way conversation. Students have been provided with booking sheets, with staff being available between 3.50 p.m. and 7.00 p.m.

Tony will be providing his *cordon bleu* sausage sandwiches during the evening.

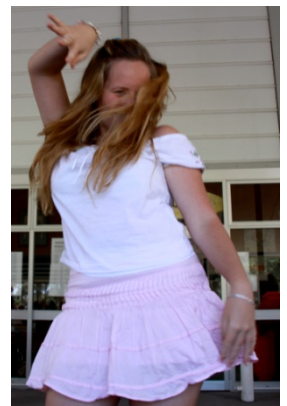
Op Shop Day

On March 18 Tuncurry Senior Campus held an Op Shop Day which raised money for the animal welfare league. Many students dressed up from vintage clothes embarrassing
We had a cat walk with prizes for the best dressed and best catwalk.

The idea behind the day was to support multiple organisations through the purchase of clothes at the local Op shops, such as The Salvation Army, St. Vincent De Paul Society and the Anglican Opportunity Store. We would like to thank these organisations for their support. Our event raised \$202.90 a wonderful effort and thanks to all.

Jasper Lawson

Jesse Poole



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Roll Call Class: _____

Date of Absence(s): _____

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Parent Signature: _____

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