

Principal's Report

As can be seen from the heading of this column, Dr Parkes is on sick leave at the moment, having

found that she can no longer put off the needed surgery to a shoulder injury sustained some time ago. Dr Parkes should return next term. In the mean time I will be relieving as Principal, Ken White will take over the reins as Deputy Principal and Leigh Ford will fill in as Head Teacher Administration. Amy Cavaretta will be relieving as one of the Year 9 Year Advisers. Ken, Leigh and Amy have extensive experience in these positions, and I believe that it will be "business as usual" while Dr Parkes is away.

In whole school news I should report that Warners Bay HS, like a number of other high schools in Newcastle, has just received substantial funding from the National Partnership funding scheme in order to enable the school to focus on improving our numeracy results. We had already identified some areas of concern and had been working towards establishing training programs for teachers and support for students, so the extra funding is extremely welcome. We will be quietly testing and assessing each student in Years 7 and 8 over the next weeks, and using that data to identify focus areas. While planning is not yet complete, we have engaged an extra Maths teacher in term three to enable this important research and training and development to take place and we are awaiting confirmation of the involvement of an academic partner from the University of Newcastle.

As well, the school has received a grant of \$50,000 from National Partnerships money on Improving Teacher Quality – Principal Professional Development. This funding was the result of a specific application and will focus on the work of Professor John Hattie through the Visible Learning Program. In other news students in Years 7 and 9 have just completed their NAPLAN tests in both literacy and numeracy. While the national newspapers have reported high anxiety amongst some students, our students seem to have taken the tests in their stride, and Mr Furner and Mrs Riley who have overseen the administration of the tests have both reported that everything went smoothly.

As you are also aware, the school has been working very hard over the last years to improve the school infrastructure, as shown by the installation of air-conditioning into the Multi Purpose Centre, the building of the large shelter over the basketball courts, the concreting of dusty areas of the playground, the improvement of water drainage within blocks and the recent installation of further seating in the Year 7 playground area. The next stage of this building program is the building of a further shelter over the volleyball courts in the Year 7 area, and we have just accepted a tender for this work, which should commence very soon and will increase the shade available in this section of the playground.

Our student executive has been busy, representing our school at ANZAC ceremonies at both Valentine and Speers Point. Our School Captain, **Luke Coleman**, gave a speech outlining the exploits of a local military hero at the Dawn Service at Speers Point. Luke spoke eloquently on this occasion, and he also performed creditably while competing in the Lions Youth of the Year competition. **Iona McNab**, our other School Captain, also did well and Valentine Lions Club made a presentation to Luke and the school at a recent assembly. The Student Executive are running a charity fund raising activity, with "Shave for a Cure" being planned for Thursday 23rd May.

While a full report will be provided later in this Bulletin, I must congratulate Mrs McAlpine's Under 15 Netball team for achieving fifth in the state. This is an excellent performance,

particularly given the fact that specialised sport high schools all participate in this competition. Mr Davy's Open CHS Water Polo team were placed 3rd in the state, and **Mitchell and Keenan Marsden** have been selected in the NSW All Schools Team to represent NSW at the national championships later this year. Congratulations must also go to **Isabel Cootes** of Year 12, a member of our Student Executive, who has been selected in the NSW All Schools team for Girls Football. **Courtney Brown** (10) recently competed in the European Aerobic & Fitness Championships in Belgium, gaining an individual rank of 10th going into the semi-finals, while her group performance with two other girls was ranked 6th overall - incredible results.

A further report will be provided at the P&C meeting on Tuesday, 28 May.

Neil Best Relieving principal



The annual Trivia Night is on Friday 23rd August.

This is the main fund raising event for Year 12. Monies raised go towards the chosen charity and a gift for the school.

Year 12 are requested to make a donation of a gift to go towards prizes for the evening.

Any member of the WBHS community is welcome to make a donation towards this event. Please bring your donation to your Year Adviser.

Boys Water Polo



The Boys Water Polo team finished third in the Speedo Shield, which is the NSW CHS Open Knockout competition held in Term 1. During the semi-final we had a very close loss to Kirrawee High, the eventual winner of the tournament at Lambton.



The team competed against Albury High for the bronze position and had a comfortable win in that game. This continues Warners Bay's strong showing in the recent CHS water polo competitions.



Mitchell and Keenan Marsden have been selected to represent New South Wales at the Australian All-Schools Championships to be held in Perth in June. Congratulations to these boys.

Mr Mark Davy.

CAPA News



The beginning of Term Two has proven to be a very busy and successful time in the CAPA faculty. There have been wonderful opportunities to showcase our very clever students and staff both within the school and in the community. The Music students have been very busy participating in regional Choral Fest competitions and we have been very privileged to have had WOT Opera workshops with a selection of interested students for the last three weeks. This wonderful opportunity was provided by the company at no cost to our students and the value of working with a real opera company will provide these students with not only a wonderful experience but also a glimpse into the vocational world of music and performance. Mr Forbes has worked very hard to provide this opportunity for our students and I am sure that it is very much appreciated by all. A formal performance by the students and the Opera company will be held at the Newcastle Conservatorium on Friday, 29 May at 7pm. Entry will be \$10 per adult and \$5 per student. Tickets are available for purchase at the Conservatorium.

The students involved in Choral Fest were:

Connor Croese, Siobhan Hull, Jordyn Jennings, Elise Jensen, Jemma Lawrence, Rosie Lawrence, Georgia Lewis, Morgan Lewis, Roger Ly, Jolene Menezes, India Monaghan, Sarah O'Keefe, Lauren Renwick, Adriana Romani, Jessica Schembri, Adam Tisdell and Kate Wawn.

The students involved in WOT Opera were:

Year 11: India Monaghan, Jackson Vaughn, Jarred Yates, Siobhan Hull, Elise Jensen; Year 10: Jessica Schembri, Charlotte Johnson, Connor Croese, Roger Ly, Morgan Lewis; Year 9: Kate Wawn, Year 8:Adam Tisdell, Carla Sugo, Jemma Lawrence; Year 7: Lucinda Bates.

The Year 12 Music students are also working towards a performance in the *real world!* On Tuesday 18 June the CAPA Faculty will be hosting a performance evening at *Lizottes*. The students will perform their HSC repertoire providing them with invaluable experience in performing for a large audience in a theatre style venue. The show commences at 7.30 pm and will conclude at approximately 9.30 pm. Tickets are \$14 per head and can be purchased via the *Lizottes* website. Dinner is available for seated guests downstairs and light refreshments are available for guests seated upstairs in the back rows. Please come along and support both our students and staff in this wonderful, musical adventure.

The annual regional performing arts project, **STARSTRUCK** is upon us and Mrs Grant and her dancers are busy preparing for this wonderful event. I would like to commend Mrs Grant and the students on their dedication to this event. Participation in **STARSTRUCK** is extremely rigorous and demanding and we are very fortunate to not only be involved but to have staff members and students who participate in a professional and enthusiastic manner. Congratulations also to Codi Pollock and Elise Jensen on their selection as vocal soloists in this year's show. Performance dates are Friday, 15 June and Saturday, 16 June with two performances each day. Tickets available from the Entertainment Centre.

Our Year 10 dancers this year are: Seychelle Ball, Jessica Berwick, Lauren Charlton, Maddison Childs, Bailey Elliot, Elyse Goodwin, Mikeelie Jeffs, Laura Johnson, Amber Lawrence, Georgia Locking, Brittany McCarthy, Alex Murray, Sophie Poole, Teegan Russell, Alex Yates and Holly Ross.



Congratulations to **Kate Lindsay**, Year 10 Ceramics, our Artist of the Month for April, and to **Rhys Rex**, Year 8 Visual Arts, our artist of the Month for May. Well done!. Each Artist of the Month receives both a certificate and an I-tunes voucher and we have so many wonderful students to choose from it is becoming quite a difficult task to choose just one each month.



India Monaghan and Jackson Vaughan, two very hard working members the Year 11 Drama class, have been accepted into the **State Drama Camp** held in June. This is a wonderful opportunity for these students and I look forward to seeing their performances and hearing about the fabulous technical instruction that they will receive through this opportunity.

The opening of *First Class 12* exhibition was held on Saturday, 11 May at Lake Macquarie City Art Gallery. This exhibition features outstanding works from across the region from the HSC Visual Arts cohort of 2012. Works by Brianna Suprano, Emily Mayor, Alex Winner, Mikayla Harris and Tess Pollock will be on display in this prestigious exhibition from the 10 May till 16 June. Codi Pollock, a Year 11 Visual Arts and Music student, and also Tess's sister, had the great pleasure of performing as a vocalist at the opening ceremony. This was a wonderful opportunity for all of these students and reflects the standard of creativity that students continually attain at Warners Bay High School. I would particularly like to congratulate Codi who is an outstanding vocal talent and will continue to surprise and engage us in the future with her many talents.



ARTEXPRESS will travel to regional centres over the next few months and due to 'expansions' at the Newcastle Regional Gallery it will be held this year at Maitland Regional Gallery. The opening is on 15 June and will feature the very sophisticated and conceptually clever work of Sam Maher from the Year 12 Visual Arts cohort. Aside from selling your artwork, I don't think that there is a better acknowledgement of success than to have your work hung in a public space. Well done Sam, Brianna, Alex, Mikayla, Emily and Tess and a very big thank you to their teachers for their dedication and guidance.

Thank you for the wonderful response to our request for analogue cameras. We have been given 5 excellent cameras for our photography students and we promise to take very good care of them. Our request for 'junk' metal was not so fruitful. If you have any small metal 'junk' we have a budding **Donatello** in Year 12 Visual Arts who desperately needs it!

Trudy Farmer HTCAPA

"Insutanto Terebi" <u>(Instant TV)</u>

You may have seen some crazy characters around the school this week as the Year 10 Japanese class were filming "Instant TV" shows. They have written interviews in Japanese and then practised saying them so they could film these short interviews in the style of a Japanese TV show. They were encouraged to use conversational expressions such as "soo desu ka" (oh really?) and "soo desu nee" (Hmm..Yeah...)

But what is "instant" about it? Well, they had to film it on their choice of media (phones, Ipods, laptops) during class time and submit it without editing. The focus is on writing and speaking Japanese on-the-spot.

We had a great lesson; the students dressed up and I could hear Japanese being spoken all around A-Block. Eri Takeuchi, our Japanese teacher, sent a message after school saying, "Kyoo no kurasu wa tottemo tanoshikatta desu!!" (Today's lesson was really fun!!).

All students can focus on building their vocab for these spoken assessments by using wordlists and Quizlet (an internet based resource) and improving their pronunciation by listening to the CD in their textbooks.



Jodie Kell Languages



Marine Studies - Sydney Aquarium and IMAX excursion to Darling Harbour

On Friday 23 November, 2012 50 keen students arrived at school just after 7am looking forward to visiting the Sydney Aquarium and the IMAX Theatre in Darling Harbour. Students were excited to see their travel arrangements included a brand new bus covered in Knights paintwork including leather seats with all the latest gadgets. As usual the students were patient and courteous when mixing with other schools attending the facilities. Perfect weather made the day memorable to all involved.



Students' comments about the day:

"The dugong was the best exhibit as there was an expert on hand to talk about its characteristics" William, John, Zac and Jacob.

"It was weird how shark eggs are made of protein that looks like old curly seaweed", "The funniest bit was when we touched a starfish" Lara & Jordyn.

"The IMAX film 'Under the Sea' was enjoyable. We liked how it came out at us and we tried to touch it... the effects were amazing. It's the biggest IMAX in the world and the unusual marine animals mating was funny" Josh & Aiden.

The usual recommendations were also made by the students:

"Give us more time for lunch, don't make us do a worksheet and allow us to eat in the bus" Jacob, Chelsea, Tehya and Harrison.

D Weston and M Clemenson







Social Science International Studies

Mehndi Art- Creating a Henna Paste Tattoo

Recently we completed a topic on Art and Culture and the students decided to participate in Mehndi Art. Mehndi is about 5000 years old and has been a cultural tradition in India, Africa and the Middle East and is now being practised worldwide.



Mehndi consists of using henna to adorn the hands and feet of young girls and women on special days and during weddings. Students had the opportunity to create designs and have a foot of their feet tattooed with henna paste.

Our henna artist in residence, Swati, created intricate patterns using natural henna which leaves a dark brown or deep burnt – orange temporary tattoo.

Donna Weston Social Science









MARINE STUDIES - NEWCASTLE MARITIME CENTRE



At the end of last year Marine Studies students travelled into the Honeysuckle precinct to visit the Newcastle Maritime Museum, drop a line off the jetty and experience the Newcastle Harbour.

Students were entertained by retired Newcastle Harbour workers, such as customs officials and tug boat drivers who told tales of their experiences while working on Newcastle Harbour.



The Newcastle Maritime Centre tells the stories of wrecks and rescues, the port and its city. Its restored wharf building houses a collection preserving the record of two hundred years of local maritime activity in Newcastle and on the Hunter River. Not only does the Maritime Centre provide a unique insight into a rich and vibrant past, it is also a superb location from which to experience and appreciate a modern working port.

Students enjoyed discovering the port of Newcastle via interactive multimedia; studying historic artefacts recovered from Captain Cook's ship, the Endeavour; and learning relevant maritime skills using the various interactive displays. The Maritime Centre also houses a large collection of highly detailed large ship models.

Students then turned their hand to fishing along the jetty next to the Maritime Centre. They were unable to catch one of the large fish swimming below them. Some students decided to drown their sorrows in an ice-cream before the return journey to school.





International Studies - Sinofood Hamilton





The International Studies students recently completed a course on Food and Culture, so what better way to experience Chinese food than visit Sinofood in Hamilton. Sinofood is Newcastle's only authentic Chinese restaurant serving up dishes just as they are served in China.



The purpose of the visit was to experience authentic Chinese dishes including Sichuan cuisine which they have been learning about in class.

Sichuan cuisine, originating in Southwestern China's Sichuan province is one of the eight main cuisines of China. Its long history dates back thousands of years to the ancient Shu Kingdom. In the Ming and Qing dynasties, many chefs came to Chengdu (capital city of Sichuan) to run food businesses, helping Sichuan cuisine to gradually evolve into a major traditional Chinese cuisine.

We dined on shallot pancakes, pan-fried dumplings and an assortment of vegetable and meat dishes. The boys were really eager to try some hot dishes, funnily enough they found the simple fried green beans too much to handle and ended up consuming the entire table's supply of water and green tea.



Mrs D Weston and Mr S Kelly.





Social Science – Harmony Day 2013



The day is also the United Nation's International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination, and an opportunity to celebrate what makes each Australian unique and share what we have in common.

On Wednesday 20 March we celebrated Harmony Day at Warners Bay High School. It's a day when all Australians can celebrate our cultural diversity.





To celebrate Harmony Day this year, Social Science and the valuable members of the Years 9 and 10 International Studies classes organised lunch in the MPC featuring food vendors from around the world. Students and teachers alike were able to enjoy a gozleme, mini Dutch pancakes and Italian ice.

Students enjoyed the Cultural Dress Competition where they were encouraged to dress up as someone from a different culture. The lucky winner received a double pass to the cinemas.

Tribal Drumming Lessons were offered by the talented Mr Ashley Forbes, Mrs Natalie Fairhall and Mr Mark Rolet. Once again the drumming added to the atmosphere and a large number of students enjoyed filling the space



the Harmony Day celebrations and the staff who all made an effort to purchase their lunch through the Harmony Day vendors thus helping to make the day a success.



Mrs D Weston and Mrs K Dieleman

Warners Bay High School

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Science Faculty News!

Year 12 Biology students visited Sydney Children's Hospital last Thursday to participate in a HSC workshop. Students were able to view blood products, listen to a genetic counsellor, watch a lens transplant and use an ophthalmoscope. Some comments from the day included: *"The scientific models were accurate and very helpful"; "A great excursion that broadened our knowledge and reinforced our understanding of biological concepts"; "The excursion was educational as well as interesting. I would definitely recommend it to future HSC students."*

On Friday, 10 May a group of Year 9 girls had the opportunity to be part of the UNSW Women in Engineering Program. Two female engineers from the university spoke before engaging the girls in a problem solving project. Students were given \$40 in play money and had to use this to purchase items from a "shop" in order to build a floating house. The winning house was able to hold more than 70 marbles without sinking! Some comments included: *"It was lots of fun and challenging"; "It was good to learn about engineering in university and what women are capable of achieving"; "Fun problem solving activity."*



As part of the current topic of work on Plant and Animal Cells, Year 7 were required to make a model of a cell. Students were not restricted in the design of their models and as a consequence, the diversity, ingenuity and brilliant imagination of Mr Sunderland's EEE students was demonstrated. Many of these models are on display in the Science Laboratories and the Front Office but some examples of models that could not be displayed (mainly because they were

consumed by the class) included; Cell Cakes made by Sarah O'Keefe and Tara McBride; 30 Individual Cell Cup-cakes made by Tiana Leck and an animated plasticine short movie of a Lego character building a cell by Isabella Turton.

Year 10 have just been issued with their Student Independent Research Project. This project is due in Week 6 and is an essential requirement of the Stage 5 syllabus. An electronic copy of the instructions and marking guidelines can be found on Moodle in the Year 10 Science folder. **Year 9** should be completing a homework assignment on the Energy and Ecosystems topic. An electronic copy of this can also be found on Moodle in the Year 9 Science folder. **Years 7 and 8** should be completing homework assignments as set by their class teacher.

Upcoming events: Year 12 Chemistry students and some **Year 10** students have the opportunity to attend an excursion to the Maritime Museum on 24 May. **Year 12 Chemistry and Physics** students also have the HSC Experiment Fest day at Newcastle University on 19 June. **Year 11 Biology** students will be visiting the Australian Museum in July to participate in the Evolution of

Australian Biota Study Day.

National Science Week- 10-18 August 2013. During this week the Science Faculty will be holding a Film Festival showcasing the creative science videos students have produced for competitions such Sleek Geeks. More details to follow....

Mrs Curran Relieving Head Teacher Science



The Tournament of Minds is an International competition that involves groups of students who engage in solving complex problems using as variety of methods including drama, engineering and science and an understanding of literature. On Wednesday, 15 May, students from Years 7 to 10 gathered to compete in a small spontaneous challenge and it was an engaging and exciting way to start the ball rolling on this year's competition.

Seven groups were involved and the tournament winners solved an interesting problem: if dinosaurs were to come out of extinction and flourish, would all the fossils of them be useless now-and what would we do with the bones? Roger Ly, Reid McManus, Grace Stanhope, Cordell Webb, Jess Bingham and Jacinta O'Sullivan came up with not only a revolutionary method of designing fossil furniture but presented it in a hilarious TV commercial-style format.

It was an entertaining afternoon which introduced the Tournament of Minds to students and demonstrated to them just how much can be achieved with effective communication in 5 minutes!! Ms. Mangovski and I were encouraged by the enthusiasm and excellent ideas and skills that students showed that day. It also indicates that Warners Bay High School will have strong teams when competing in the regional finals at Newcastle University in August.

Mr. Ryan (Science)

Ms. Mangovski (TAS)

LANGUAGES

GOOGLE TRANSLATE

Google Translate can be very handy sometimes for the odd word or phrase, but look what happens if you rely on it for slabs of prose....

LITTLE MISS MUFFET Little Miss Muffet sat on her tuffet Eating her curds and whey

Along came a spider Who sat down beside her And frightened Miss Muffet away

(to French) Petite Mlle Muffet a été assise sur son tuffet Le repas de son lait caillé et petit-lait Le long est venu une araignée Qui s'est assis à côté d'elle Et a effrayé Mlle Muffet loin

(and now google translate back into English) Mlle Muffet girl sat on her tuffet The meal of her milk and whey The length came a spider Which sits next to her And frightened Miss Muffet far

And there's worse – but they were not suitable for this publication....

However, technology can still help us. In language learning we can now access people talking and living from all around the world and hence immerse ourselves in the culture without leaving the room. It certainly adds to each and every lesson. Here are some apps we have found suitable to support language learning at a school level:

JAPANESE

Hello Hello Japanese Sticky Study Kana-character writing Kanji study iKana Teach Lite Hiragana Lite Katakana Lite FRENCH Mots Pele-mele Busuu 7 jours French French GCSE Larousse French

INTERNS

This year we are being ably supported by two assistant teachers. Luckily Ms Eri Takeuchi is with us again for a fifth year. She comes in on Wednesdays. Eri is also available for tutoring in Japanese . Please contact any of the teachers of Japanese if you are interested.

We are also being supported by Ms. Alexia Lequien from La Rochelle (France) who helps tutor our students in French on Tuesdays and every second Friday. We celebrated her birthday with a pavlova (a cake unknown to her before coming to Australia).

<u>TERM 3</u>

We are looking forward to Term 3 for many reasons: <u>French</u>: Year 10 French will participate in the Regional Year 10 French Activity Day held at the University of Newcastle on Monday, 22 July. The students will be: learning about scholarships



to France; playing petanque; eating French pastries; trying out French text language; and, performing in Star Academy (French version of Idol). This day is sponsored by the Kelver Hartley Bequest Program. We have just found out that Sinead Collins (ex student) and Rebecca Tamas (practice teacher of French last year) have won a six month scholarship to attend university in La Rochelle, France through the same bequest. Félicitations!

We will also be welcoming four students from France. It will be interesting

to meet the new students this year after the impact the three French boys had on the school last year. (They were very popular).

Japanese:

Taka, our Rotary exchange student

Takahiro Uno will be with us from July to December. In December he will move out to the Dubbo Rotary district. Rotary students are chosen for their leadership skills, friendliness and adaptability. Warners Bay Rotary Club will be looking for host families (usually two). If you would like more information please contact Mrs Sherwood at school.

Taka will also be joined by Chihiro Abeshima , a 16 year old girl and Haruya Saito, a 16 year old boy , both from Hakodate in the top of Japan. They are part of a long-standing program Newcastle has with Hakodate Council. They are always lovely students, selected as the top students in their district to come here to improve their English and experience an Aussie lifestyle here in Newcastle. Chihiro and Haruya will be in Year 10 classes. Oz Homestay is handling their hosting (a substantial boarding payment is provided to cover expenses). Please contact Liz Walmsley: info@ozhomestay.com.au

Last, but certainly not least, 20 students from Suginami will be enjoying the good life with us again from Wednesday, 24 July to Saturday, 3 August. A big thank you to our generous families from Years 9 & 10 who are looking after them. A good time will be had by all.

Lynne Sherwood Head Teacher Languages



WARNERS BAY HIGH School P & C Association

The next meeting of the Warners Bay High School P & C Association will be held in room H1 on Tuesday 28 May at 7.00pm for a 7.30pm start. At 7.00pm we will again start with some social time where everyone can talk over a drink and something to eat.

The P&C Association has the objective of supporting the Principal and Staff in the delivery of a high quality education to all those attending the school thus enabling each student to achieve his/her best possible educational outcome. We also assist in providing additional teaching aids, facilities and equipment for the benefit of all students by fund raising primarily through the operation of the school canteen.

We would like to extend an invitation to you to attend our meetings and use this great opportunity to become involved in your child's education. What better support could you give your child at this important time in their lives? These meetings give you the opportunity to share your ideas on issues relating to your child's education and talk to other interested parents.

The Principal and other members of the school executive team attend each meeting. The relaxed atmosphere of a P&C meeting provides the ideal forum to meet and get to know some of the school staff on a more social level. Your support will help to ensure that Warners Bay High School continues to be a great school and the first choice for both parents and students.

Another way of supporting your child's education and keeping up to date with what's happening at the school is to volunteer on the canteen. If you have a free day once a month, why not contact Wendy or Marj and put your name on the canteen roster. Your help is always appreciated.

At our May meeting the PD/H/PE faculty will be giving a presentation. Come and use this opportunity to get additional information on school programs.

We look forward to your continued support and hope to see you at our next meeting.

Phillip Jones President

15's NETBALL REPORT

Congratulations to our WBHS U15s Girls netball team, who competed in the statewide NSWCHS carnival at Menai Indoor Sports on Wednesday 8 and Thursday 9 May. Our team were very competitive and played a very high standard of netball, demonstrating great sportsmanship at all times. The girls played 6 games over the two days, winning 4 of these to be placed 5th in the state. The team did themselves and our school proud. The results of the State carnival were as follows:

WBHS V Woolooware HS 37-25 (W)

WBHS V Finley HS 41-22 (W)

WBHS V Westfield Sports HS 18-39 (L)

WBHS V Hills Sports HS 29-41 (L)

WBHS V Kirawee HS 43-24 (W)

WBHS V Tweed River HS 43-30 (W)

In order to qualify for the state titles, our team had to play 5 round games against teams in the Eastlakes Zone and Hunter Region. WBHS finished the highest of any Hunter Region team.

Rachael Jeffs and Caitlyn Bell of Year 9 were a part of this winning team, however were unfortunately unable to participate in the State Titles Knockout.



Kiara Ansems (Yr8) Tara Wakefield (Yr8), Jamie Wakefield (Yr10), Kim Trayhurn (Yr10), Alex McVey (Yr9), Jessica Potts (Yr9), Mikeelie Jeffs (Yr10), Tamara Mullard (Yr9), Emma Bonner (Yr8).

Missing:- Caitlyn Bell (Yr9) and Rachael Jeffs (Yr9)

Mrs B McAlpine.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE





Year 12 Red Cross Youth Ambassadors: Matthew Killen, Amy Campbell, Karl McMahon and Courtney Moulton

Catarina Schamps (12) donating blood

On 9 April several students from Years 11 and 12 participated in the Warners Bay High School Blood Drive, where they donated blood at the Red Cross Mobile Blood Bus at Centro Warners Bay. Although some of the students were unable to donate on the day due to a number of reasons, Mr Davy and the Red Cross Youth Ambassadors would like to say a big thank you to the following students who participated in the blood drive:

Eliza Murray (12), Kasey Houghton (12), Maddy Screen (12), Jess McFarlane (12), Lucas Harris (12), Luke Coleman (12), Ellen James (12), Alex Moten (12), Aaron Reeves (12), Mark Rumford (12), Ryan McGrath (12), Paul Donkin (12), Catarina Schamps (12), Bethany Dolbel (12), Nicole Cook (12), Chelsea Williams (12), Sophie McGuire (12), Hannah Kelly- Moore (12), Kelsey Lee (12), India Monaghan (11) and Suzy Fuller (11).

A sausage sizzle was held on the day by the Red Cross Youth Ambassadors and a free sausage sandwich was given to each student who donated blood. These sausages were donated by Georgia Fisher's father who works at the Valentine Bowling Club. The sausages that were left over were sold to other students. All proceeds were donated to the Australian Red Cross.

DEBATING

This year, a number of Warners Bay High School students are taking part in the NSW Premier's Debating Challenge. The Challenge requires students to select and argue a point of view for a chosen topic to an audience including their peers, teachers and an adjudicator. This can be a daunting prospect, as students are only given one hour and limited resources to prepare speeches to present.

Term 1 saw the beginning of the Year 11 Debating competition. Our Year 11 debaters are Hamish Broadhurst-Tynan, Mark Peters, Jordan Elliot and Georgia Fisher. For Round 1 of the competition our team debated against Hunter River High School, on the topic, "Social networking sites should only be accessible to people aged over 18.". At the beginning of Term 2, our Year 10 team consisting of Matthew Meisenhelter, Drew Worthington, Hanna Ewans and Daniel Taylor competed against Swansea High School on the topic "Drug testing should be compulsory in Australian schools". Both teams presented a series of strong arguments and displayed excellent teamwork and sportsmanship in their first debates for the season. Another two rounds will follow. All the best to our competitors.

AIE EXCURSION A HUGE SUCCESS!





At the end of Term 1, the TAS staff hosted an excursion to the Academy of Interactive Entertainment in Sydney. Twenty five Computing and Graphics students in Years 10 and 12 participated in a 3D development workshop. Students learnt industry skills in the areas of 3D design and animation. Each student successfully completed the animated carousel task. Despite an extra

long train trip with unexpected delays due to track work, students had a invaluable day, gaining real world experience in a fun learning environment. The Academy of Interactive Entertainment (AIE) is Australia's most awarded 3D animation, game design and visual FX educator and provides several tertiary options. As a result of the visit, one of our students obtained a work placement at AIE. We wish him the best of luck!

Robots Are Taking Over!

Mindstorm robotics kits recently invaded the TAS staffroom. As a result, an exciting new Robotics program is coming to WBHS! Stay tuned for more information. We will also be starting a Robocup team; any students interested in this extra-curricular activity should see Mrs. Mangovski in the TAS staffroom.

D19 Beautification Project

Room D19 has currently undergone a facelift with the rearrangement of desks, chairs and computers. The modifications have been made to improve classroom safety and make room for the addition of new equipment and programs, such as Robotics and Xbox Programming. Year 10 Information & Software students assisted with the setup of computers using this excellent opportunity for hands on learning in Computer Networking and Computer Maintenance. D19 now has fast computers, a new high tech projector and a more pleasant learning environment. There are more improvements to come!





Mrs. Peggy Mangovski Computing / Technology

Junior AECG and Aboriginal Education



National Sorry Day is on Sunday, 26 May. The theme for this year's day is "SORRY. Still Living on Borrowed Time". On Monday, 27 May during the morning assembly we will be having a special guest come and speak to students about the significance of this day. The school will also be holding activities to celebrate NAIDOC Week on Friday, 21 June. Each year group will be involved in a range of activities to increase cultural awareness. The Junior AECG will also be attending the Regional NAIDOC Week Ceremony at Hunter School of Performing Arts on Tuesday, 18 June. Parents and carers are also invited to attend this ceremony. Permission notes and an information flyer were sent home with students last Friday. The Junior AECG meets twice a term and currently there are 29 members. All students who identify as Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander are encouraged to attend and be part of this wonderful group. Please see Miss Cavaretta, Miss Hendrie, Mrs Curran or the President of the Junior AECG, Tanisha Brown (Year 12) if you would like to be part of this group.

Community and Family Studies

At the last count 105,237 people were homeless in Australia on Census night in 2011. The 2011 Census tells us where homeless Australians are staying.

Approximately:

- 30% are living in severely overcrowded dwellings;
- 20% are living in supported accommodation for the homeless;
- 17% are staying temporarily with other households;
- 17% are staying in boarding houses;
- 6% are sleeping rough on the streets of our cities and towns;
- 1% are in other temporary lodging

On Wednesday, 12 June, the Year 12 Community and Family Studies class have organised a fundraiser that involves students wearing an item of blue e.g. t-short, jumper, ribbon, scarf, socks to raise awareness for Homeless in the Hunter. We will be purchasing much needed hygiene products with the money raised and presenting these products to Wesley Mission who supports homeless people in the Hunter.

Gold coin donation on the day. NOTE: **Students must be in full** school uniform other than the blue item.

Lisa Curran

Wendy Jones

Voolworths Earn & Learn 2013



Dear Parents,

This year we will be participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. Through this program we will be able to get new educational resources for our school – and all we need you to do is shop for your groceries at Woolworths.

From Monday, 8 April to Sunday, 9 June, we are collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Points. You will get one Woolworths Earn & Learn Point for every \$10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco and gift cards). Place the Woolworths Earn & Learn Points onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Points Sheet and when it's complete, the Points Sheet can be dropped into the Collection Box here at the school at the front office or at the Mount Hutton store.

At the end of the promotion, we'll be able to get some great new library resources. If you'd like to know more visit woolworths. com.au/earnandlearn

Thank you, E. Moss Teacher Librarian

Homework Help Learning Hub news

PARENT AND COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR TERM 2

Homework Help Learning Hub will run from 3:20-5:20, Tuesday and Thursday afternoons between weeks 2 and 9 in Term 2. It is available for students on a show up and take advantage basis. Afternoon tea is provided.

Students may use this time for quiet study, to access library facilities and resources, to get help with homework and assessment tasks or to go over work from class.

Homework Help is supervised by our dedicated School Learning Support Officer Kim Conroy and Norta Norta tutor Allan Briggs. We are also assisted by volunteer teachers from WBHS and education students from The University of Newcastle when they are available. A group of senior WBHS students attend regularly to help with research and assessment tasks. This has developed a wonderful community atmosphere where students from all years can help each other out. Often the younger students can take advantage of the first-hand knowledge that our older students have of various assignments and assessment tasks.

Term 1 has proven to be very popular and successful. However, due to student numbers increasing there is a need for more volunteers to ensure that the smooth running and benefits for our students continue.

The Learning Hub is an area where the school welcomes the input and assistance of the community. If you are able to lend a hand with Homework Help it would be greatly appreciated. Often the students just need assistance to interpret a question. The more help, support and involvement we can offer the better for all. Please email <u>Patricia.Hendrie@det.nsw.edu.au</u> or leave a message with our administration staff on 49549488 to register your interest. Senior students wishing to volunteer can contact Ms Hendrie (CAPA) or Mrs Conroy (SLSO).



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YEAR 7 FOCUS DAY

Earlier this term students in Year 7 attended our Focus Day activities at the Outdoor Education Experience at Morisset. The day involved students participating a variety of activities.

The Rock and Water program was run by Mrs Judy Brown and Mr Brendan Mackay, linking physical exercise with mental and social skills. The program leads from simple self-defence, boundary and communication exercises to a strong notion of self-confidence. The Rock and Water program has been developed to teach:

- practical Anti-Bullying strategies.
- alternatives to aggressive verbal and physical responses to fear and doubt.
- thinking and being in control, through grounding, centredness and mental focus.
- self-respect, self-control and self-confidence.

A boys and girls session was run by Mr Neil Best and Mrs Jo Riley to discuss the issues of conflict and the implications of social networking sites that are relevant to teenagers.

The two physical activities that were enjoyed by the students were the giant swing and the rock climbing wall. I don't think anyone who was there on the second day will forget the determination and bravery of Grace Holland 7E on the Giant swing. Grace has a fear of heights but was determined to experience the giant swing. She climbed the ladder with her eyes closed. Showing determination, she informed the person in charge that she wanted to go all the way to the top. Well done Grace and all the other students who faced their fears on the day.

Marjory Drummond and Michael Morrissey



Warners Bay High School

"Quality Education for All"



Warners Bay High School

is pleased to announce the Entertainment™ Book fund-raiser!

We are excited to be offering parents the opportunity to purchase the new 2013|2014 Newcastle Central Coast and Hunter Entertainment[™] Book to raise funds for student resources.

The Books are great because they contain exclusive offers to many of the area's best restaurants, cafés, activities, hotel accommodation and much more. Packed with hundreds of **up to 50% off and 2-for-1 offers,** for only \$60 the average family saves over \$1,000 until 1st June 2014!

Here are some of the businesses in the Books:



The best part is that for only **\$60**, you'll be supporting us with **\$12** from every Book sold contributing to *student resources*. Please let your family, friends, neighbours and work colleagues know we are fund-raising, as the more Books we sell, the more funds we raise!

The Entertainment[™] Books are going to be sent home with year 7 and year 11 students on Wednesday the 15th of May. Any other families wanting to purchase a book, please fill in the below form and return to the office or you can order your book online at:

Pay securely online at https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/3465w0 or complete:

Warners Bay High School – Order Payment Form

| Child's Name: (please print) | | | | Class/Group: | | |
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| I would like to order: | | x Newcastle | @ \$60 each (GST incl.) = \$ Total amount enclosed = \$ | | | |
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Workshops for parents and supervisors of learner drivers

An important component of the Graduated Licence scheme is that all learner drivers complete a minimum of 120 hours supervised on-road driving experience prior to presenting for their provisional P licence.

The Road Traffic Authority is holding a **FREE** two hour workshop in the **Warners Bay** area to offer practical advice to parents and supervisors on how to help learner drivers become safer drivers. These workshops provide information about:

- Understanding the new laws for L and P licence holders
- Completing the Learner Driver Log Book
- Understanding the benefits of supervised on-road driving experience
- Supervising learner drivers

WEA Hunter on behalf of the RTA will be conducting the workshop as follows:

| Day: | Tuesday |
|----------|-----------------------------|
| Date: | 11 June 2013 |
| Venue: | Performing Arts Centre |
| Address: | 39 Lake Street, Warners Bay |
| Time: | 6.00pm – 8.00pm |

It would be appreciated if you could bring the workshop to the attention of your staff and parent organisation.

Please find attached a small advertisement for inclusion in your school newsletter if possible. Also is enclosed is a selection of posters and flyers for display in the foyer or other appropriate locations around the school.

Bookings are essential and all enquiries should be directed to Debbie Burton or any Administration Staff at WEA Hunter on 4925 4200.

Thank you for your assistance.

Yours sincerely Debbie Burton Business Development Officer WEA Hunter T: (02) 4925 420955 Min Ostret, Giew & Ste NEW (280). 492.8 & 8451 Newcastle NSW 2300 E: dburton@weahunter.com.au W: www.weahunter.com.au

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SCHOOL DIARY

| May | 23 | Shave 4 a Cure |
|------|----|-----------------------------------------------------|
| | 24 | Yr 10 Careers Expo |
| | 28 | School Athletics Carnival |
| | | P & C Meeting |
| | 29 | Yr 10 Subject Selection Night/ Mini Careers Expo |
| | 30 | Excursion Maritime Museum for Yr 12 |
| | 31 | Star Struck Rehearsal |
| June | 6 | Yr 8 Medieval Day |
| | 7 | Yr 10 Vietnam Day |
| | 10 | Queen's Birthday Holiday |
| | 11 | Star Struck Rehearsal |
| | 12 | Star Struck Rehearsal |
| | | Immunisations all Yr 7 and Yr 9 boys |
| | | Zone Athletics |
| | 19 | HSC Experiment Fest |
| | 21 | Try-a-Skill Yrs 9 & 10 |
| | | NAIDOC Day |
| | 24 | Yrs 8,9,10 Parent/Teacher interviews |



UNIFORM SHOP TALK MAY 2013

Online Ordering

Online ordering is now available for Uniform Shop purchases. Ordering can be accessed via a link from the school web site or directly through Daylight Sportswear. Log on to <u>www.</u> <u>daylightsportswear.com/warnersbay</u>. Secure payment is made through PayPal. Purchases can then be picked up by students and carers in normal shop hours.

Year 12 Bomber Jackets

The Year 12 Bomber Jackets have arrived and look absolutely fabulous!



Orders for next year's Year 12 will start in Term 3. Keep an eye on the Bay Bulletin and roll call announcements for more details.

Winter Uniform

As the cooler weather creeps up, students need to keep warm. Micro fibre track pants are available in all sizes. They are fully lined and can be worn all day without having to get changed for sport.

There are two types of winter jackets available. The fleece jacket is \$40 and the micro fibre jacket is \$65, available in all sizes. Make sure you have your name on your jacket as they do tend to go walkabout if left behind.

Girl's tights are a terrific purchase at \$9.50. They don't ladder too easily so last much longer than some other brands.

The 80% wool cardigan is plain black so can be worn outside of school. \$72.

The 80% wool jumper is available in every size and keeps the wearer very warm. \$68.50.

Girls' Ties

Girls ties have now arrived and are available for \$7.00 at the Uniform Shop.

Yvonne Wade

Uniform Shop Manager

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GIRLS

BOYS

UNISEX

SPORT

JUMPERS

Uniform Shop Manager - Yvonne Wade Phone: 49549617 (shop hours) 0412 605982 (mobile) OPERATING HOURS EVERY :WEDNESDAY - 8.00AM - 12.00PM THURSDAY - 12.00PM - 4.00PM Additional hours on demand refer to King Street Noticeboard



| ITEM | PRICE |
|---------------------------|---------|
| GIRLS | |
| S/S White Blouse & Piping | \$29.00 |
| 2 Pleat Tartan Skirt | \$48.50 |
| 4 Pleat Tartan Skirt | \$48.50 |
| Black (Stretch) Slacks | \$39.00 |
| Black Prestalene Shorts | \$35.00 |
| Black Thick Stockings | \$9.50 |
| BOYS | |
| S/S Tailored White Shirt | \$29.00 |
| Black Gabardine Shorts | \$35.00 |
| Black Gabardine Trousers | \$42.00 |
| UNISEX | |
| Custom Polo Shirt | \$28.00 |
| School Jacket | \$65.00 |
| 80/20 Wool Jumper | \$68.50 |
| Polar Fleece Top | \$19.00 |
| Wool Cardigan | \$72.00 |
| Zip up Fleece Jacket | \$40.00 |
| White Socks | \$7.50 |

SIZES

specific girls items

S/M/L - XXXXXL

Same as Boys sizes

Same as Boys sizes

10 - 26

8,10,12 + Extra small

2 - 26 (Standard commercial size) -

| SPORT (UNISEX) | |
|-------------------------------------------|---------|
| Football Socks 2-7, 7-12, 11-14 | \$8.50 |
| Microfibre Trackpants | \$38.00 |
| Sport Shorts - Standard Length | \$27.00 |
| Sport Shorts - Longer Length | \$27.00 |
| Sport Polo Shirt | \$34.50 |
| | |
| SPECIAL/OTHERS | |
| Winter Scarf* | \$20.00 |
| School Ties | \$20.00 |
| School Cap | \$15.00 |
| Apron | \$10.00 |
| Chef's Cap | \$6.50 |
| Broad Brimmed Hats - UV Protection | \$15.00 |
| Senior Polo - Yrs 11 & 12 | \$38.00 |
| Senior Jersey - Yrs 11 & 12 - Long Sleeve | TBA |

ITEM



Please check in at the Front Office on arrival.

PRICE

EFTPoS available Payments can also be accepted over the phone by credit card DAYLIGHT SPORTSWEAR MANUFACTURING CO

STUDENT INVOICES

For your convenience, Student Invoices are now being sent to you with each issue of the Bay Bulletin.

Please look on the back of the address label of this edition to locate your invoice.

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| Student Name | will still appear on this invoice. | | |
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| 02-Dec-10 | SP07 Sport 2011 | \$3.00 | |
| 02-Dec-10 | General Contrib 2011 | \$30.00 | |
| 02-Dec-10 | MU07 Music 2011 | \$70.00 | |
| 02-Dec-10 | TE07 Ind Arts 2011 | \$20.00 | |
| 02-Dec-10 | TE07 Home Ec 2011 | \$25,00 | |
| 02-Dec-10 | VA07 Vis Arts 2011 | \$25.00 | |
| | | \$30.00 | _ |
| | Total for student: | \$209.00 | |
| CREDIT CARD PAYM | ENT SLIP: Total for family: | \$209.00 | |
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| SIGNATURE: | | | |
| Please Note: the General Cont Subject money is used to provi Dr Sharon Parkes Principal. | ibution is voluntary. Je consumables. | | |

Parents / caregivers who receive the Bay Bulletin by email will receive their invoice by mail as usual.

HAVE YOU CHANGED YOUR DETAILS?

| Please fill in and retu | arn to the office. | | | |
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| Student's Name: | | | Year: | |
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| Name: | Daytime Ph No | : Mob: | | |
| Emergency Contacts | : | | | |
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