On Tuesday 14 May, four students from Camden Haven High School participated in a public speaking competition hosted by the Camden Haven branch of Quota International (QI). The students were invited to speak on one of the 19 Hand-in-Hand projects QI supports in third world countries. Each student had to choose a project that personally interested them and then carry out their own research on the topic. Students then prepared their speech, spent time practising delivery and on the night each spoke for approximately four minutes.

Arora Attenborough and Annaliese Allsop gave their speeches on a paediatric ward in Los Pinas in the Philippines. It was great to hear two talented speakers talk on the same topic as it gave a great rounded view of the cause. Jordan Frith spoke on a project run in India that assists students after their regular school hours. Most of these students’ parents cannot read or write so this support helps with homework and further educational support. Max Wilson was informative on the information he found out about QI’s project in Sainik Farm, Delhi on an aged care facility and preschool.

Camden Haven QI president, Judith Bowerman and members of the club were impressed that young community members are taking the time out to research what life is like in these countries. Judith was impressed with the confidence and way in which these students presented their information and themselves. Some of these students have been invited to speak at QI’s District Conference in June. These students gave even more as the prize money allocated went towards the speaker’s project. This is a good initiative that QI promote and one in which these students are very happy to be a part.
As part of Year 9 Visual Arts, students were asked to paint a 'Surrealist Landscape' inspired by a surrealist-style collage completed earlier in Term 1. These paintings were recently displayed in the CHHS Library. All school students and staff were encouraged to vote for their favourite work as part of the ‘People's Choice Awards’. As well as the first four places, Highly Commended awards were awarded to Sophie Turner, Kaylee Smith and Rachel Campbell.

This original display of student works proved popular within the library and generated much discussion and interest amongst students. Year 9 Visual Arts students at CHHS are indeed a skilful, creative and talented group!

Miss Victoria Baylis
VISUAL ARTS TEACHER
Stage 6 (Year 11 & 12) Parent Information Night

Supporting Stage 6 students at school and at home is the key for a successful future. At Camden Haven High School we are implementing programs as well as a variety of support strategies to assist our Stage 6 students in achieving their best.

Every year, HSC students at Camden Haven High School are achieving great results, with our results improving each year.

You and your senior student are invited to attend our Stage 6 Parent Information Night.

Date: 12 June 2013
When: 5:30pm – 7pm
Where: CHHS Common room

Information night agenda

5:30pm – Welcome – CHHS Principal Mrs Margaret Hutchinson
5:40pm – The role of the Year Advisor – Mr John Casimir (Yr 12) and Miss J Tutalo (Yr 11)
6:00pm – Scholarships – Mr Dave Gray
6:20pm – Parenting a HSC student – Mrs Kelly Miller
6:30pm – Pathways for students – Mr Dave Gray
6:50pm – Resources for students and parents – Mr Shane Williams
7:00pm – BBQ dinner and informal chat with staff

Please register your interest in attending this valuable night by ringing the front office on 6556 8100 or by emailing Mr Shane Williams – shane.williams@det.nsw.edu.au

We look forward to seeing you on the night.

Attendance

Camden Haven High School has recently changed to a new computer program for the recording of attendance. This transition has not been without flaws which have now been resolved.

Our thanks go to parents who contacted the school to help rectify some oversights. We appreciate your patience and understanding.

If you have any further queries please contact Mrs Yvonne Scrine, Administration Manager.
Camden Haven High School (CHHS) would like to extend its thanks to the Country Education Foundation of Australia (CEFA) for its inclusion in the University Experience Program this year. The Country Education Foundation is a not-for-profit organisation which supports young Australians living in rural and remote areas with their transition from high school into further education, training or vocations. The foundation archives this admirable goal by providing grants to rural students and running programs like the University Experience Program.

The University Experience Program invites six schools from rural communities with low socio-economic and or significant indigenous populations to take five of their students on a four day Sydney excursion for a taste of the university life. Ryan Beaumont, Louie Allain, Telia Ostler, Tamar Elvin and Courtney Hanlon were invited to attend. The program is angled towards those students who are considering university study but are hesitant because they are the first in their family to consider tertiary study or other socio-economic reasons. The program is designed to engage, inspire and increase awareness to country students of the opportunity that await them in further education.

The excitement started early as our CHHS student students gathered at the local airport and anxiously waited to board the plane, for some it was there first time flying. Once in Sydney we made our way to the Power House Museum where the students could explore the many exciting exhibitions currently on display at the Power House. Next we met with CEFA program director Jane Hallows and other rural students. All the students shared stories of their homes towns and discussed the upcoming activities in the program.

According to Macquarie University Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Social Inclusion) Professor Gail Whiteford, the university visits intend to broaden students' perceptions of the educational possibilities open to them and the career options available by choosing higher education. "When you're in a rural environment, choice can seem limited. In addition, you may be the first in the family to attend a university and there may be financial concerns and worries about what life would be like in a large city. Both Macquarie and UTS would like to be able to offer these students a place to study, the potential for a scholarship and a place to live at the same time,” Professor Whiteford said.

The next two days was all about universities and the endless possibilities awaiting students who move to the city for a university education. We received a warm welcome to Macquarie University with traditional aboriginal smoking ceremony. From there the university opened its doors and students were actively involved in countless workshops in the arts, engineering and science departments where student could gain first-hand experience in Macquarie’s state of the art facilities. Our students were also given a guided tour of Dunmore Lang College including lunch. That afternoon the students went ice skating at the Macquarie ice rink.
The University of Technology Sydney (UTS) completely changed the image of a university campus for our students. They struggled to comprehend that an institution as big as a university could be located in the heart of the city. The day was thoroughly enjoyed by all as the students chose workshops of their own interest with law, communication and IT being clear favourites amongst the students. That night UTS students with rural background join us for dinner at Darling Harbour to further talk to students about moving to and living in the city.

Our last day was all about taking in the city lifestyle – sailing on Sydney Harbour. The flight home gave the student to perfect time to reflect on everything that happened over the last four days. The program was invaluable to these students. I would like to extend my thanks to the sponsors of the Universities Experience Program – Macquarie University, University of Technology Sydney and Origin Energy. The Country Education Foundation of Australia has truly outdone itself with this inspiring program and the students and staff of Camden Haven High School sincerely thank you for providing this experience for our students.

Mr Ben Sainsbury  
TEACHER

My name is Tamar Elvin. I am a year 10 student at Camden Haven High School. I am also an Aboriginal student. I have many interests in the area of arts and becoming a secondary school teacher. I have always intended to attend university in the future and I am looking forward to continuing my education by attending university. The trip to Sydney helped me to get a better understanding of what it is like to attend a university, what options for accommodation are there and the different courses which are available for me to study. This trip to Sydney, visiting Macquarie University and the University of Technology, definitely helped me to confirm my goal of attending university. This trip was a very good experience and it has given me very helpful knowledge that will help me to gain access to the right university education for my future. Thank you to Mr Cuskeley and the Hastings Education Fund for making this trip possible for me.
Four Camden Haven High School students have been successful in gaining a School Based Traineeship with local primary schools. Caitlin Walpole, Brice Hayward, Indiya Agnew-Crawford and Darby Bennett made application through the Aboriginal Employment Strategy last year while in Year 10. After several days of interview and induction, all students were selected to take up this traineeship for Year 11 and 12. During this time they will study the Education Support Certificate III through the Port Macquarie TaFE every Thursday and complete on the job training with their local primary school for one day a week. This forms part of their HSC program, enabling them to qualify for a Certificate III as well as the HSC itself.

Local Principals, Janne Morgan (Coopernook), Peter Vincent (North Haven) and Jodie Paterson (Kendall), are a part of this program and encourage students to become actively engaged in all aspects of school life. They see these students as an integral part of their school and hope a positive relationship will be built between their staff, students and parents.

While at school, the traineeship students will study a normal HSC pattern of subjects as well as the TaFE course. At the completion of Year 12, the students are offered a pathway entry into university to complete their training to become school teachers themselves.

Without the continued support of our local primary Schools and their staff, students like Caitlin, Darby, Indiya and Brice would not be able to experience such a positive learning environment. Camden Haven wishes to thank these schools and look forward to continued support for future students.

Wearing Our Uniform With Pride
As the weather starts to turn cooler we would ask that school jumper/jackets or plain blue jumpers/cardigans are worn. We would also like to remind the school community that ‘rugger’ shorts are NOT part of our uniform. Girls’ shorts must be blue and of a modest length.

The procedure for being ‘out of uniform’ is as follows:
1. A note must be brought from home.
2. The note is taken to Ms Kneipp or the Stage Deputy Principal.
3. The student’s note will be signed for the day.
4. The names of students out of uniform without a pass will be recorded.
5. Repeat offenders will be dealt with through the school discipline system.

Mrs Margaret Hutchinson
PRINCIPAL
The library hosted a fun week of lunchtime activities to promote reading and country life. Our cow was repainted and named ‘Sweetheart’ to promote a book launch of new horse and country life stories. Mr Boyle gave a most animated recital of Henry Lawson and Mr McVicar amused with a Jim Haynes poem. Audiences also enjoyed performances by singers Abby Wilson (accompanied by Isaac Bruggemann) and Mr Shilling. To highlight the pleasure reading can offer, fifty students were treated to a silent reading lesson as part of a ‘Big Read In’. The week’s activities culminated in a lively display of line dancing by staff and students in the library with the SRC judges nominating Maddison Watton, Jordan Frith and Kartia Hudson as best dancers.

Congratulations to all who took part!
Project help
Students completing research are expected to include a bibliography which lists where their information came from. If you are running your eye over their assignments please check that they have included a bibliography and, that for websites, they include more than a web address. For a website they should record who created the site, the year it was last updated, the title of the page, the address & the date it was viewed. eg.


It is very important that students become skilled at writing bibliographies.

Premier’s Reading Challenge
All students in 8C & 8A complete the Premier’s Reading Challenge. Any other student in Years 7, 8 & 9 can also be involved in this program designed to encourage reading. To meet the challenge and receive a certificate students need to read twenty books – 15 from a list and 5 of their own choice. They can select from a wide range of books including picture books, information books and novels. A special area has been set aside to display the books on the list, making it easy for students to locate them. Students have until the end of August to read the twenty books.

Senior Study
Congratulations to our Year 11 & 12 students who are using study periods very productively. There has been a great increase in the borrowing of study guides from the library. English guides are available for overnight/weekend loan and those for other subjects available for two week loans. Please encourage your students to make use of these resources but also to return them punctually so everyone has access to them.

Happy reading!

Mrs Rienstra
Teacher Librarian

NSW Team Selections

Congratulations to two of our students on their outstanding achievements – selected for NSW CHS Teams to play at Australian Championships

**Damian Sewell** in the 2013 TransTasman NSW CHS State Volleyball Team to play at the Gold Coast, Qld from 8 – 15 June

**Michael Wolstenholme** in the U15s NSW CHS Rugby League Team to play from 21 – 28 June
Camden Haven High School students Natalie Pratt and Rhys Birrane have been successfully achieving high standards in their School Based Traineeship with local employers in the hospitality industry. Students make application through the Department of Education and Communities Employment Strategy whilst in Year 10. After several days as a work trial at Billabong Zoo, Rhys was selected from other applicants to take up his traineeship during Year 11 and 12, while Natalie found her own employer at Bella Rose Cafe.

During the year they study Hospitality at school and complete on the job training with their employers on the weekend. This forms part of their HSC program, enabling them to qualify for a Certificate II in Hospitality as well as the HSC itself.

The students’ supervisors, Darena Stone at Billabong Zoo and Deborah Van Eerten at Bella Rose Café, have seen the students become actively engaged in all aspects of the industry. Both employers see Rhys and Natalie as an integral part of their business and have noted the positive relationship they have built with regular customers.

Whilst at school Natalie and Rhys study Hospitality as part of their senior studies. Their teacher, Cheryl Harland, is very pleased with their efforts to date and commented upon their commitment to a future career in the hospitality industry. Natalie is currently in Year 12 and completing the final stages of her HSC. Following her HSC she plans to enter in the aviation industry and put to use the hospitality skills that she has developed.

Without the continued support of our local employers, students like Natalie and Rhys would not be able to experience such a positive learning environment. Camden Haven High School wishes to thank the Bella Rose Café and Billabong Zoo and look forward to continued support for our students.

Mr Dave Hamilton
VET (Vocational Education Training) CO ORDINATOR
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FOR YEARS 7-12
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DISCOVER ENGINEERING

TOPICS

Areas to be addressed include:
Why be an Engineer?
What do Engineers Do?
How Do You Become an Engineer?

Guest speakers include:
Engineering professionals & University students.

DATE

Tuesday 18th June 2013
from 5.30pm
Reclaimed Water Treatment Plant
Ocean Drive
PORT MACQUARIE
(access via Hindman St entrance)

This Free Forum is for all students in Year 9, 10, 11 & 12 who are interested in Engineering as a career choice.

Light Refreshments will be served

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Friday 7th June 2013

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• Finish 3.00 pm

Food:
• Morning tea and lunch provided

Bookings:
• Bookings are essential
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**WHERE:** Laurieton United Servicemens Club  
**TIME:** 7pm  
**COST:** $10 per person or $90 tables of ten

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