Fun with Cake Burgers

Our Year 9/10 Creative Cakes class have been having fun lately making cake burgers, that is, hamburgers that are made from cake and icing. The students learn how to carve cakes and use fondant icing to decorate all kinds of cakes, their cake burgers being their latest creations.

Handbags, present cakes and gingerbread houses are just a few of the projects they will learn how to construct over the next term. Their artistic efforts don’t last long though, as you can see, they look good enough to eat!
Bruce Cable Wins

Year 9 student Bruce Cable has claimed the $100 prize for Camden Haven High Chess Champion 2013 in the recent Higgins Dix CHHS Chess Competition.

A full schedule of 16 players competed through the three stages – Round Robin, Quarters and Semi-finals, culminating in a Grand Final between Max (Maximus) Wilson and defending champ KBabble.

The cut throat final began at a furious pace with pieces literally flying off the board. After early Queen exchanges Maximus emerged in a dominant position – a castle in the black. Crafty KBabble maintained the express chess pace, and when calm ninja minds were required, Maximus had a rush of blood and was soon left with King and three pawns v King and Rook. Another KBabble ‘kill’ was only a matter of moves away. Maximus maintained the struggle, even when reduced to a lonely King, surviving 32 moves of 52 needed to stalemate.

Our thanks goes to Higgins Dix solicitors for the $100 prize which makes for the final’s dramatic action.

National Solar Schools Program

The National Solar Schools Program provided funding to primary and secondary schools to install solar and other renewable power systems, rainwater tanks and a range of energy efficiency measures.

Our school received $33,000 to install a 10kw Solar Power Unit.

Through this funding, we have received a range of benefits including: improving our energy efficiency, educating students about renewable energy through using real data from our solar power system, reducing our electricity costs, viewing the CO2 avoided being produced by using clean environmentally friendly electricity. Videos that showcase environmental activities being undertaken in solar schools across Australia are available online at: http://bit.ly/14y1aFF.

The Australian Government’s Living Greener website also provides some great tips for households to reduce their energy consumption. For further information go to: www.livinggreener.gov.au/energy.

To view CHHS solar electricity data go to the CHHS website, click on News and then view the ‘National Solar Schools program’. Click on the link at the bottom to view the data.
Years 9/10 Debating

After the competition was tied between Great Lakes Forster Campus and Camden Haven High School for the Years 9/10 Premier’s Debating Challenge, the two teams met to face off against each other in a battle of words once again. Due to time constraints the debate was held via video conference with each team competing on their home ground while the adjudicator dialled in from Sydney.

The topic was, ‘That we should ban violent video games’, with Camden Haven taking the affirmative position. Jordan Potts, Tamar Evin, Samantha Kirkwood and Emily Asbury presented a well-structured and sophisticated case for their argument, however, Great Lakes Forster were declared the winners of the debate.

Congratulations to these wonderful students for progressing so far through the competition and many thanks to Ms Sonja Crossingham for all of her hard work and organisation.

Shakespeare Rocks

“We are such stuff that dreams are made of ...”

Year 9 English classes have been immersing themselves in the comedies of William Shakespeare this term, studying either A Midsummer Night’s Dream or Much Ado About Nothing.

While the language of Shakespeare can lead to some resistance from students, it is important to remember why we still study the works of a ‘dead white guy’ who wrote some 400 years ago. Why you ask? Because the themes presented in his work are still relevant to life today. Themes of love, conflict, teenage rebellion and the supernatural are all explored in Shakespeare’s works.

Here are some pictures of Ms Rex’s English class (9EE3) performing scenes from A Midsummer Night’s Dream.
Early Term 3 this year, forty-three Year 11 students adventured to the snow for a Year 11 camp. This was the first Year 11 camp to proceed since 2010, so they were a lucky bunch. This camp was to the snow, so we travelled eleven hours down to the frosty town of Jindabyne and stayed in the cabins of Carinya.

With uncomfortably cold and early mornings at 6:15am each day, the students woke up eager for a delicious breakfast. Each day at 10:30 the students attended a skiing or snowboarding lesson to learn how to carve the slopes. Lunch at the River Inn, which was a short walk from the snowfields, was fantastic with a variety of food selections. The afternoons consisted of several hours of free time to adventure up the snowy mountains for some majestic photo opportunities or sharpen your snow carving skills on the various tracks the fields had to offer. When the day ended, the students returned for dinner and night activities including movies, trivia and a games room where skills in ping pong, pool and air hockey were put to the test.

Unfortunately, four of the students who snowboarded ended up injured due to the constant, consecutive wipe-outs and stacks that they performed. Nevertheless they still attended the following days, taking videos and pictures with their ‘good arms’ and enjoying some of the best hot chocolates ever.

The Year 11 Snow trip was by far one of the best camps my fellow students and I have attended throughout high school. So good, that it leaves you wanting more. It’s an experience like no other. I encourage students in Year 11 in the future to take advantage of this amazing excursion.

Tainga Savage
Year 11 student
Year 10 students had the opportunity of experiencing the Vietnam NAMBUS at Camden Haven High School. This visit allowed students to listen to veterans who explained their war experiences in Vietnam and how they were treated when they returned home to Australia. The veterans explained how they are still coping with the ordeals they were confronted with when they were in Vietnam and the effects it has had on their life when they returned home.

Students also had the opportunity to dress in military clothing and view photographs and other memorabilia. To be able to discuss first-hand the Vietnam War with Vietnam Veterans was an amazing experience that all students thought was beneficial and consolidated the unit they were learning in Year 10 History.
Well the term is off to a busy start as is always the case. The SRC started the first week back supporting the Junior AECG with NAIDOC celebrations on Friday 19 July. We assisted them with the cooking and serving of some delicious kebabs and sausages made of kangaroo, crocodile and emu. We also served slushies at lunch and enjoyed watching the face painting which took place in the quadrangle. It was great that the SRC could take a supporting role in celebrating the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

**Leadership Forum**
The SRC sponsored three Year 10 students to attend Luminosity. Luminosity was a three day leadership workshop held in Port Macquarie on the 24, 25 and 26 July. This was the first time it has been held and as at the time of writing this newsletter, we are eagerly awaiting a report of the event. Rumours have it that it was fantastic with some extremely inspiring guest speakers. It will be great to see what these students bring back to our school community.

**Dates for your diary**
Our final social for the year and Year 12’s final social ever they can attend in their school life!! Date is Tuesday 27 August 6 – 9 pm. Theme to be decided by Year 12 – stay tuned. This will be a whole school social so everyone is invited.

Voting for our 2013/2014 school captains and SRC members will take place on Thursday 5 September. If you are interested in being a candidate for captains or would like to join the SRC, application forms can be obtained from the front office.

### 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.

Ms Sharon Westman
PRINCIPAL (Relieving)
**Kate Rides to Success**

Distance Education student Kate Fuller has taken out third place in the recent NSW State Championship titles at Dubbo earlier this month in the 12 years to under 16 years 85cc category.

Kate only took the sport up seriously last year and it involves a lot of travel to Grafton, Maclean, Coffs Harbour and Inverell to compete in the sport that she loves. Kate said that “being able to study by Distance Education allows me to travel and compete seriously. I have even had a chance to ride with Australia’s top female rider Meg Rutledge and this was a bit of an honour”.

Kate aims to ride at Bathurst for her final round early this month and we wish her all the success in these up and coming competitions.

**Sports News**

**Boys Tennis**

On Wednesday the 26th of June the open boys’ tennis team played in the Regional Final against Tweed River at Grafton. The team was Blake Clark, Blake Hudson, Joshua Kelly and Corey Clark. Our boys were enthusiastic competitors, but no match for the Tweed River team. They lost the doubles 6-0, 6-3. In the singles, Blake Clark played a challenging game of tennis that resulted in him winning 7-6. The final result was Tweed River 6 sets 42 games to Camden Haven 1 set, 14 games.

**NSW State Cross Country**

Tomas Lewis competed in the NSW State Combined High Schools cross country event at Eastern Creek, Sydney last Friday 19th July. This involved running 3 kilometres cross country. Out of a field of 120 students in the 13yrs age group, he came third winning the Bronze medal. Tomas is a true example of doing your best and aiming for the highest. He has been selected for the NSW State team as the first reserve and now waits to see if he will be participating in that team. Well done.

If you would like this newsletter emailed please contact the school (6556 8100) or email deborah.dewar@det.nsw.edu.au
The Independent Living Skills Program is a targeted program which started at the beginning of Term 2 at Camden Haven High School. The focus of the program is to provide meaningful, purposeful education for students with intellectual disabilities and to target independent living skills. These include cooking, job training, money skills, technology and community access.

On Friday 7 June, students from the Independent Living Skills Program travelled to Taree and attended activities at Taree Community College. Taree Community College provides support and learning structures for young people who have left school and who need daily assistance. Students from Camden Haven High School engaged in and assisted adults with disabilities in various activities including music, relaxation and a lunch time BBQ.

The day began with a ‘Relax and Feel Good’ session, in which students developed breathing and relaxation techniques. Students then assisted in the preparation and cooking of the lunch time BBQ. Particular note should be given to Caleb Hodges and Slade Sloan for their excellent cooking skills.

The afternoon saw drums, guitars and microphones come out for the music session. Caleb Hodges and Mitchell Love cranked out the beats and played the drums while Slade Sloan and Micheal Lovett-Laverty danced and shuffled the afternoon away. Trhystan McSpadden put his dancing shoes on and played the guitar like a true rock star. The boys interacted and involved themselves in all activities and should be congratulated for their efforts.

A big thank you goes out to Jason Wall who invited us to attend the activity day and also to Sue Dunk for organising the day. Special thanks to Jenny Schouten who has assisted greatly in the smooth running of this fantastic program.
**Uniform Shop News**

Hi, welcome back to Term 3! I hope everyone had an enjoyable break.

If you are in need of any CHHS hoodies or trackpants on these chilly winter mornings, please come and see me in the uniform shop. We have plenty of stock in all sizes, and are open on Tuesday mornings, 8:30 - 10:30 am, and Thursday afternoons 1:00 - 4:00 pm.

The Eftpos is up and running again, so if parents can't make it into the uniform shop you can send in a credit card authorisation form with your child, or pay over the phone. All forms and price list are available on the school website.

Carla McInnes

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**Immunisation Program**

Students in Years 7 and 9 will receive their final doses in Term 4 – Friday 11 October. Please contact me on 6556 8100 if you have any questions

Ms Cheryl Clayton

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*Make a difference by attending the*

**Hastings Mid North Coast Bravehearts Breakfast**

**Friday August 30 at 6.45am - 8.30am**

Panthers, Settlement City, 1 Bay Street, Port Macquarie

**GUEST SPEAKERS**

Hetty Johnston - Founder and Executive Director, Bravehearts  
David Munday - NSW Primary Principals' Association  
Kylie Biltris - Childish Photography

This is an information breakfast for parents and carers, whether they are professionals, teachers, or grandparents and anyone who is interested in child protection and the safety of children.

The breakfast will also raise funds so that Bravehearts can start educating kids on the Mid North Coast about personal safety with the implementation of the acclaimed Ditto’s Keep Safe Adventure Show, which will soon reach its 300,000th Australian child.

The program has been developed by Bravehearts – Australia’s leading child protection advocate – and is tailored for childcare and lower primary kids aged from 3 to 8 years. See more info here: [http://bravehearts.org.au/pages/education.php](http://bravehearts.org.au/pages/education.php)

Individual tickets are $30 per person or $300 for a table of 10 and can be purchased at Port Panthers by phoning 6580 2300 or in person and also at the St George Bank, Horton Street, Port Macquarie.
Become a WEP Exchange Student - It’s an adventure!

Imagine swapping that boring old muesli bar for a croissant, and your stuffy school bus for a bike ride through the French countryside! As a WEP exchange student you can choose from over 20 countries to live and study for a summer, semester or even a year!

Zoe about her semester-long WEP exchange program to the USA:

"The best decision I ever made. I had the most incredible time in the US. I made so many amazing friends that I will never forget. I matured more as a person and an individual and feel more prepared for the 'adult world'. I’d recommend this to anyone who has ever wanted to do an exchange. I had the best time of my life."

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EXPERIENCE A NEW CULTURE
MAKE NEW FRIENDS AND LEARN A NEW LANGUAGE AT HOME
HOST FAMILY OPPORTUNITIES

In January 2014, students aged 14 – 19 years from over 20 countries will be arriving in Australia to study at local schools for 2-10 months. Opportunities are available to act as a host family in a volunteer/unpaid capacity. Hosting can be on a temporary, short or long term basis.

Host families help provide each student with the chance to study and experience life in Australia. This is a great way to practice your language skills, share your stories, learn about another country and culture, establish a lifelong link to a family in another country and contribute to international goodwill.

Our students bring with them their own spending money, health insurance and a wonderful attitude and desire to learn about their new host country. Your whole family...and your relatives and friends...will grow and learn as you all get to know your new ‘son’ or ‘daughter’ from another land. If your family can offer a friendly, supportive and caring home environment, contact us today.

To learn more about this opportunity call Student Exchange Australia New Zealand on 0800 440 079 or visit our website.

http://studentexchange.org.au/host-a-student
IAssistSafety App helps children learn protective behaviours. Using a hand IAssistSafety allows a child to identify 5 adults who they could ask for help if feeling unsafe. The hand assists children to remember their safe people. These 5 adults will help the child to be safe if they are scared, worried, sad or just need help. This App helps to give your child a voice in keeping themselves safe.

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KING STREET, Wauchope or 6585 3020 for info

Selections from the shows will be broad- cast on Sundays from 4-6pm on 103.9 FM.

Calling all solo Musicians, Singers, Dancers, Actors!!
This is your chance to be recognised for your talent!!!

Musicians, singers, dancers – 3 to 4 mins performance
Actors – 5 to 6 min monologue
On 10 August at 1pm Wauchope RSL

Registration form
Name: .................................................................................................................................
Email: .................................................................................................................................
Dancer, singer, musician or actor? ..............................................................................................
Under 18 years Parents consent.................................................................................................

Registration fee $20.00 per challenge. Cheques payable to Wauchope Youth Theatre.
Postal address: Po Box 329 Wauchope 2446
Direct Debit: Holiday Coast Credit Union BSB: 802 214 Account No. 1001 49307 (please use your name as reference)
Entries must be in by the 5 August 2013

Any enquiries please phone: The Framer/ Art supplies 6584 0184

Who will Actor, Dancer, Singer, Musician of the year?

Creative Sunday
22 Sept in Wauchope!!!!
Creative stalls, Art displays in Bain Park from 8.30 to 3.00pm
Creative Hair dresser challenge, Pony rides, Jumping castle, food, fun, graffiti, Lego, Year 6 creative challenge!

Dress in your most creative garb and you could win $100.00!
Bring a blanket or chair!!!

Thank you to our supporters...Wauchope RSL, Bago Real Estate, Focus, Wauchope Gazette, Port Express, Living Room Café, Wauchope Uniting Church, Guitar factory
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