PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

There have been so many exciting events happening already this term with many more still to come. I would like to thank the P&C and those staff who attended our Co-Curricula Night last week. It was very informative and showcased to those in attendance the many opportunities we are able to provide for students other than formal learning.

The Pink and Blue Day held last Thursday was also very successful. A large amount of money was raised for the health needs of both men and women. A big thank you goes to the whole school for their efforts but a special thank you to Mrs Wilson and the members of the SRC who planned and coordinated the activities. Students travelled to Sydney to participate in the First Lego League Regional Championship.

Three teams - Year 7, Year 9 and Hannam Vale (the winner of the Camden Haven Community of Schools competition) - performed extremely well. As a result Hannam Vale won the ‘Against all Odds’ prize.

Congratulations to Mollie Mullen who has been selected to play cricket for NSW at the Nationals and has spent this week in Sydney competing. Congratulations and well done Mollie.

On Wednesday next week we will welcome our Year 6 into the school for their Orientation Day activities and that night there will be a parent information evening commencing at 6.00pm in the MPC. I look forward to meeting new students and parents at these events.

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ON-SITE HAPPENINGS

QUICKSMART LITERACY & NUMERACY
QuickSmart Numeracy students have had an awesome time in QuickSmart this year. As the year progressed the students have become more confident and self-assured. They love working in small groups and have learnt to help and support each other. There have been some role reversals with the students teaching the instructors new ways of learning which has been fantastic. Some of the students have shown so much potential that they have been helping the instructors with the other students.
Instructors: - Mrs Barker and Mrs Bradney
This year is the first year of the QuickSmart Literacy program and already we are seeing some great results. The program has been phenomenal for the student’s self-esteem and confidence. The students who were reluctant to answer questions are now eager to have a go. The students are keen to improve their results each lesson and we are seeing many personal bests. There has been a ‘flow-on effect” through to other key learning areas including assessment tasks. The students thought these were unachievable but are now within their grasp.
Supervisor: - Mrs Fletcher and Instructor Mrs Young

GIRLS CAFE SKILLS
The Camden Haven Café Skills girls have had a busy month. They visited Queens Lake Village in Laurieton on the 11 November to make and serve morning tea for the residents. The girls did a fantastic job of serving their customers and chatting with the residents, who thoroughly enjoyed themselves and are looking forward to the girls’ next visit. They have also had two trips to The Whiddon Group Home in Laurieton on Friday 7 and Monday 26 November to serve cakes, scones, slices and coffee and tea to the residents. They are looking forward to another visit before Christmas to serve the Christmas treats they’re busy planning and making.
PINK AND BLUE DAY

Thursday 20 November saw our school come together to raise money for cancer research. Since the passing of a much loved teacher a few years ago from breast cancer, the Student Representative Council (SRC) have organised and run this event. The SRC have combined this event with the annual staff versus student Futsal match which raises money for men’s health. Combined together we had one massive afternoon.

Activities included the three-legged race, soccer, dodgeball, staff versus students’ netball, pillow fights and much more. In case you were wondering what the blue cow in the Ag plot (that used to be pink) contributed – well the staff and students tried to lasso it, however, using hoops not rope. There was great skill involved with that one. Thank you to Mr Shilling and Ag students who helped prepare it for the day.

We raised $1800 this year to go towards cancer research. The great thing about having an annual event is that the whole school community can put it on their calendar and look forward to it each year. From an organiser’s point of view, we learn from each event so look out ... next year just may be bigger and better!
YEAR 10 FORMAL DINNER ASSESSMENT

On Thursday 6 November and Friday 7 November Year 10 Food Technology students took part in their Formal Dinner Party Assessment Task. In groups of 2-3 they were required to come up with a theme for their party as well as a two course menu to be served and judged by independent judges. The task involved students being withdrawn from class for the day so they had time to prepare, serve and clean up for their event. The students who participated did an amazing job and our judges were overwhelmed by the standard of the food they were able to taste.

A huge thank you to the judges for giving up their time to not only taste the food but also to score the groups on their table settings and presentation of the food. The feedback given to each group was extremely positive making it such a meaningful and rewarding activity. Our judges for the tasks were - Ms Westman, Mr Wykes, Ms Glase, Veronica and Cheryl. Below are some photos to show the amazing job our Year 10 Food Technology students did. We look forward to next year to see what our current Year 9 students can achieve.
On the 28 October at 6am we set off from school for the road trip to the Gold Coast. After a breakfast stop at Coffs Harbour we continued our trip being entertained by Brooke.

On arrival at Sea World resort we quickly changed and headed into the theme park for the afternoon. After a fun filled arvo we were then shown to our rooms before heading to dinner.

On Wednesday we started HOTEL School. While we were working we learnt a lot of new skills and about how every sector in the Hospitality Industry works. We met a lot of great people who were able to share their stories and knowledge about the areas where they worked. We all enjoyed Maintenance as we got to clean the water line in the pool. It was a real eye opener as to what working in Hospitality would really be like.

Every day we got a few hours free time. One afternoon we got to go to Palazzo Versace where everyone got to dress up and we enjoyed fancy Hi-tea. That night we went to the Tepanyaki restaurant for dinner which was great fun.

Other days we went shopping at the beach markets on the Gold Coast and to Pacific Fair Shopping Centre or just lazed around the pool. The resort was beautiful and was filled with a lot of friendly people. The buffet was pretty great too.
Last week the Year 9, 10 and 11 Marine Studies students, three of Mr Schouten’s students and teachers, Mr Sainsbury and Mrs Geronimi obtained the practical part of their Boat Driving Licence through the Marine Coordinator (Mr Warren Bridge) at Newman’s Technical College, Port Macquarie. It was a fantastic day on the Hastings River where all students learnt how to launch and drive a boat.

Mr Peter Bennetts (NSW Boating Education Officer from Roads & Maritime Services) also assisted on the day and taught the students about boating safety, starting motors, tying knots and the like.

Everyone had fun learning the skills to drive the great boat from Newman’s Technical College and Mr Bridge said that he was very impressed with the students’ application on the day. The students also had to do some rowing and capsizing which was very amusing to watch! Local Port Macquarie Skipper (Sandy) also volunteered his time to help with this activity.

Now that the students have passed the practical part of their test they now need to do the written component at the RMS.

What a fantastic day we had.
The Cattle Team recently participated in the Upper Hunter Beef Bonanza. They travelled down on Thursday the 23 October and returned home late on Sunday the 26 October. The students prepared cattle for showing and parading competitions, participated in junior judging, as well as attending an interactive cattle judging night at the Scone Saleyards. Everyone worked very hard to prepare their cattle and themselves for the competition, and they all had a great time, despite Scone experiencing a heat wave that weekend!

Jacinta Ostler won her age division in the School Steer Parading competition, and then went on to be the Reserve Champion!

Rebecca Bennett made it to the final for parading in her age division, and ended up coming in 4th place, which was a remarkable achievement!

Many of the students also made it to the final for their age division, which is excellent considering the large number of students and schools that participate in the competition.

The students represented Camden Haven High School with pride and are to be commended for their hard work in the lead up to and during the show and the way they worked together as a team.
ROBOTICS COMPETITION

Camden Haven High School were represented by two teams at this year’s regional championships in Sydney. The first three teams qualify for the Australian Championships. On the bus were Team Tubby, a Year 7 group called the Guppies, and the Hannam Vale Public School team, who won this year’s Camden Haven Community of Schools Rotary Robotics competition. Driver was Ms Lloyd James, Mr Langley was Coach of Year 7 and Mr Pengelly was coach of Team Tubby.

As in the previous three trips we stayed at Warriewood Surf Club, and we really appreciate their support. The comp, held at North Narabeen High, consists of rounds where the robot must complete as many of the fifteen challenges as possible. The three judging rounds incorporate teamwork, robot design, robot programming and a research project.

In the first round of judging, Team Tubby fell foul of the Robot judge while the Guppies performed well in teamwork. First run on the boards saw Tubby score 185 points which put them clear second. Guppies’ bot came a cropper more than once and they scored 35, while Hannah Vale went quietly about their business and scored 86 in their first round putting them in third place! Team Tubby stormed the judges in the second two judging events, while the other two went well.

Then the big bombshell. We had included a wheel that turned out not to be Lego. The Robot Judge didn’t pick it up, someone at the boards did. Major rebuild required. Team Tubby avoided a complete meltdown, and quickly got to crisis problem solving, but not in time for Round 2, where they only got 125 points. The Guppies managed 50, and cruising after Round 2 Hannam Vale was still third but only one point ahead of a Queenswood Girls College. Go you little ones!

The last round at the boards saw Team Tubby first to score the goal, one of the most difficult challenges, and then complete to score 225, the second highest score of the day. Mischief managed. Queenswood up next also scored the goal and move past Hannam Vale into third. Guppies also improved with best score of 55.

Hannam Vale won the Judges “Against all Odds” prize. Team Tubby failed to make the top three, but as many judges wrote on their sheets, the team was outstanding. The Guppies discovered that there is no time to waste in preparation.

Team Tubby: Toby Buckley, Aurora Attenborough, Hudson Macindoe, and Max Wilson (Joel Plummer not in photograph)

The Guppies: Tiana Moore, Alisha Cooper, Alex Wattan, DJ Johnson, Zac Kelly, Matt Burgess, and Jordan Higgins.
Camden Haven High School’s Agriculture Faculty have recently entered a mutually beneficial partnership with Port Macquarie-Hastings Council. Council were approached by CHHS teachers with the idea of agisting some of the schools cattle on the council land adjacent to the sewage treatment works north of Kew on the Pacific Highway.

The Council couldn’t have been more supportive. Liaising with the Council’s Water and Sewer Process Manager, Mr Clayton Miechel, who not only approved the partnership, but organised funding to purchase fencing material to secure the block. Staff and Primary Industries students have constructed approximately 1500m of fencing and access gates and 15 head of cattle were recently moved onto the property.

The school benefits in a number of ways, including vastly reduced agistment cost, reduced transport expenses, and a very valuable teaching resource so close to the school. The upside for the Council is the reduction of the potentially dangerous fuel loads and the saving of thousands of dollars in slashing costs, due to the grazing cattle. Now non-productive land is being utilised for educational purposes. An environmentally sensitive area on the block has been identified and will be fenced off and regenerated by students with regionally significant native vegetation.

Staff and students would like to thank the Council, particularly Mr Miechel, for their outstanding support.
DISTANCE EDUCATION NEWS

AMANDA’S TRANSITION BACK TO FACE TO FACE SCHOOL

Amanda Illistom has been a distance education student for the last 18 months. She is transitioning back to face to face school in 2015 to complete her studies in Year 11 and 12. Amanda has been an active member of distance education by attending the school camp in 2014 and regular attendance at her local Support Centre.

Amanda has engaged in a program that teaches students Barista skills, and has been doing very well. Mrs Morley the Stage Coordinator reported that Amanda wishes to thank all the teachers for their support over the past 18 months.

We would like to wish Amanda all the very best for her future endeavours!!

YOUNG PARENTS IN EDUCATION (YPIE)

Throughout 2014, twenty distance education students, who are also parents, have been supported by a group of teachers who served as mentors for these young parents. The YPIE mentors include; Ms Waite, Mr Squires, Mrs Young, Mrs Cooper, Mrs Bernasconi and Mrs Neville. Mrs Butt co-ordinates the program.

The role of the mentor is to:
~ co-ordinate welfare needs of the student
~ liaise with teachers & supervisor for teaching and Learning support
~ connect the student with community based programs
~ develop a health care plan

Students in Years 7 – 10 are entitled to parenting leave, six weeks before and six weeks after the birth of the child.

Students have reported that the YPIE program has made them feel:
- more encouraged
- not as isolated
- less stressed
- more motivated
- more connected to other community support services
- and they feel like someone cares

This program will continue in 2015, supporting twelve students who are parents. Mentors will also work towards; linking students regionally to increase students’ social contact, assist financially to help students attend Support Centres and modify learning programs to encourage re-engagement with their learning after the birth of the baby.
ANNUAL AWARDS ASSEMBLY

Families are invited to attend our Annual Awards Night to recognise the wonderful achievements of our students.

Date: 8th December
Time: 7pm

TECHNOLOGY SURVEY FOR PARENTS

The School Technology Team is in the process of developing a 3 year plan. Part of this process is to gather important information from staff, students and parents so our plan is effective in improving student outcomes. Please spare 15 minutes of your time to complete the following survey.

https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/3RHC6LM

UNIFORM SHOP

With the end of the year fast approaching, we are looking forward to welcoming Year 6 students for the orientation day on the 3 December.

Organisation has begun for the Year 6 information night, where we will have a current students modelling uniforms for future students and parents. I will be available on the night to answer any questions, and the shop will be open for sales between 5:00 - 8:00 pm.

I highly recommend the purchase of uniforms before the end of the school year, as the first week of opening in January is very busy in the uniform shop.

We have plenty of stock in all sizes, including senior polo shirts and business shirts.

I look forward to seeing you soon in the uniform shop!

Mrs McInnes - Uniform Shop Co-ordinator

LOCKERS

YEAR 11 STUDENTS FOR 2015

If you would like a locker next year we have some available.

The cost is $25 and you receive a refund of $15 when you leave school or complete Year 12.

At the beginning of 2015 payment can be made at the front office. Bring the receipt to Mrs Collard to be allocated a locker.
CAMDEN HAVEN HIGH SCHOOL PRESENTS

BIG NIGHT OUT

Wednesday 10th of December

2014

Creative Arts

7pm Start / Entry from 6pm

Entry strictly $2 per person
CHANGES TO TAX FILE NUMBER PROGRAM

The Secondary Schools Tax File Number (TFN) Program will not continue beyond 31 December 2014. This means that School TFN forms will no longer be processed beyond this date.

How students can apply for a TFN from 1 January 2015?

The Australian Taxation Office in partnership with Australia Post is making it easier for individuals to apply for a TFN.

Students can now apply for a TFN online and have their identity verified through an interview at a participating Australia Post office.

Applying online is the fastest and most convenient way for students to get a TFN. More information on applying online can be found at ato.gov.au by searching for 'QC27248'.

Students who are unable to visit a participating Australia Post office will need to complete the application form Tax file number - application or enquiry for individuals form (NAT 1432). More information about lodging this form can be found at ato.gov.au by searching for ‘QC22604’.

The ATO will continue working with teachers to educate students about tax and superannuation. The curriculum resource Tax, Super & You is a free, easy to use, online educational resource aligned to the school curriculum of each state and territory. This resource can be accessed at taxsuperandyou.gov.au

In the coming weeks we will provide more information by email on how students can apply for a TFN and the educational services we can provide. In the meantime if you require any further information you can phone 1300 130 282 between 8:00am and 5:00pm Monday to Friday.

SPORT NEWS

GOLF NEWS

Brothers make it to state level for the second year in a row

Daniel and Ben Morgan both love golf, and this is evidenced by their recent selection in the North Coast Golf Team - for the second year running. The two boys were members of a four man squad who represented the entire North Coast (the other two players were from Port Macquarie and Murwillumbah), who came sixth in the NSW CHS Golf State Championships. A great accomplishment!!

As members of the Kew Country Club both boys play a round of their favourite sport every second day or so. Daniel play off a handicap of 2 and Ben plays off 4. Daniel was runner up in the 2014 Club Championships, and Daniel was not far behind, an admirable fourth.

The Morgan brothers hope to trial for the North Coast Team again in 2015 and with any luck advance their standing in the State Championships.
PINK AND BLUE DAY SPORTS

**Staff versus Students Netball Game**

With flashes of pink and blue, students and staff played four fast paced quarters of netball in the MPC during the SRC Pink and Blue Fundraising Day.

The students were a tough team to beat in the first two quarters, however, with the help of some awesome teamwork, the staff turned the last two quarters around to claim victory. Final score: Staff 26 – Students 15

Both teams played well and we all had a fantastic game. Thank you to all the students and the staff who participated (even the lone blue wig wearing - male player who had to cut short his netball career due to vision issues) and the staff who umpired the game.

![Netball Game Images]

**Staff versus Students Futsal Game**

Looking pretty in pink, the teachers came out firing with an enviable skill-set on show. The very talented students looked pale in comparison wearing blue, and after a hotly contested battle, it was the teachers that came out on top (8-6) after a six year drought. The game was played in good spirits in front of a huge crowd and concluded what was a very important day on the school calendar.

![Futsal Game Images]
Interested in playing Rugby Union in 2015? Then why not join the Mid North Coast’s most successful rugby club.

During the 2015 season The Port Macquarie Pirates Rugby Club will be fielding U14, U16 & U18 sides in the MNC competition.

For more information contact: Ian wall (Football Manager) on 0432405113 or Peter Gerethy (President) on 0421213435.

KIDS FISHING WORKSHOP

10.00am - 2.00pm
Wednesday 14 January 2015

Give your child the opportunity to learn to fish during the school holidays. The day involves fishing techniques such as knots and rigging as well as casting, bag/size limits and ethical fishing practices.

$40.00 per child

Number are limited to a maximum of 25 and bookings are essential

Fee includes rod and reel, shirt, hat, tackle kit and show ba for the kids to take home.
The workshop is led by experienced staff and volunteers from the NSW DPI - Fisheries Division.
Full supervision is provided on the day.

Transport is the responsibility of the parents. Remember to slip, slop and slap and to prepare for inclement weather.

For bookings call/email: Jamie Burns
Hunter Fisheries Office
P: 02 4980 9204
M: 0408609332
E: jamie.burns@dpi.nsw.gov.au

Venue:
Dunbogan Reserve
Intersection of the Boulevarde and Camden Head Road