Principal’s Message

Term Three, although only two weeks in, has been very busy. There have been two subject selection evenings for students in Year 10 and their parents. Both have been well attended and most informative. All Year 10 students will be interviewed next week and parents are able to arrange an interview also - just ring the school to make an appointment. It is important that students are as well informed as possible prior to making their very important selections for Year 11, 2015 in Week 4.

Next week is Education Week and we, in conjunction with our feeder public schools will be holding our annual CHAFFS night. This will be held on Wednesday 30th July, beginning at 7.00pm. All the schools have been busily preparing for the event and it will be a spectacular evening showcasing the talents of our wonderful students from Kindergarten to Year 12.

There will be many students who have been successful across a range of sports earlier in the year and they will be competing both individually and in team events at both regional and state level. I congratulate them all on their achievements thus far and wish them all the best in their upcoming events.

This term sees Year 12 completing the last ten weeks of 13 years of schooling. Their Trial HSC examinations commence in week 4 and many have practical projects and examinations due for completion this term. I know they and their teachers are working very cooperatively to maximise the learning opportunities still available and to prepare them thoroughly for their final examinations in Term 4.
On Wednesday 16 July, a combination of Year 9 and 10 Drama students went on an excursion to Sydney to see *The Lion King*. After leaving the school at 7.30am, the school mini bus, driven by Ms Loyd James and Mr Richardson, headed down to the musical. The students were well behaved and enjoyed the excitement of the singing, costumes, make-up, staging and puppets. Many of the students had never been to a stage production before, while others were perhaps more interested in the stop off at MacDonald’s! A huge thank you to the behaviour presented by the students and also to the drivers who returned all students back safely at 9.30pm. It was a fantastic experience for all.

Ms Webber - Dance/Drama Teacher

**NATHANAEL CLAIMS THE PRIZE**

Nathanael Bruggemann has won the $100 prize and is the 2014 Champion of the Higgins Dix CHHS Chess Competition.

Nathanael (Year 8) defeated Max Wilson (Year 9) in a tense final.
NAIDOC Week activities are held across Australia each July to celebrate the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

Camden Haven High School celebrated NAIDOC on Wednesday 25 June with an out of uniform day that was organised by our Junior AECG. Staff and students wore the colours of the flag: black, red and yellow.

Uncle Bill O’Brien from Birpai Land Council gave us his very special Welcome to Country at our NAIDOC assembly. The young dancers from Manning Gardens Primary School entertained everyone with their traditional dances performed with total enthusiasm and joy.

Steve Donovan shared his didgeridoo skills and local knowledge. He also convinced ‘random’ students to get up on stage for an impromptu dance lesson and performance.

The celebrations were hosted by MCs Ms Westman and Tainga Savage (School Vice Captain and Torres Strait Islander rep). A tribute was paid to our Aboriginal mentor, Aunty Betty Niddrie, who is unable to continue with her role at the school. All students appreciate the contribution she has made to student welfare over the years.

At lunch time we had a bush tucker BBQ with kangaroo and crocodile meat skewers. Thanks to all the students who helped out and also the SRC for their BBQ expertise.

Special guests included parents and representatives from Mid Coast Connect, Charles Sturt Uni and Aunty Linda Olive from Hastings AECG, who have all been supportive of programs that are run for the students.
Thirteen students from CHHS had the privilege of attending the Luminosity Youth Summit 2014 at Port Macquarie amongst almost 300 other ‘Young Guns’. We were welcomed, inspired and dared to challenge the future.

Speakers and sponsors from all over the Mid North Coast converged on The Glasshouse for three exceptional days of growth with master classes, presentations, workshops and, let’s not, forget all the fun. There was something inspirational for everyone and something challenging for all. It didn’t matter what your personal challenge was, the youth summit speakers’ words were adaptable; whether it be home, school, friends, HSC, UNI, jobs. Katherine Stephens said, “It’s not what life throws at you – but how you work with it when it does.”

The challenge motto was felt strongly: ‘Challenging today’s generation to become tomorrow’s leaders.’ Thank you to the SRC, Charles Sturt University, Legacy and Mrs Leslie Williams who were the sponsors in enabling us to go this very worthwhile event.
The life sized pink cow standing next to the cattle yards in the Ag Plot has certainly drawn lots of attention and curiosity. Local residents have even rung the Courier to enquire about the attraction. At last the mystery can be revealed. The Pink Cow, affectionately known as Rosie is there to promote CHHS’s upcoming Pink and Blue Day, which raises funds and awareness of breast and prostate cancer. The cow will stay as it is for the next couple of weeks before being transformed into its blue male counterpart to promote prostate cancer awareness. Even now, students are eagerly planning the next paint job.

**DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARDS UPDATE**

Students from Years 9 through to 11 have started the journey towards gaining their Duke of Edinburgh Awards. This prestigious award requires students to learn a new skill, volunteer in their own time, improve an area of physical recreation and to also organise and participate in an adventurous journey.

Max Wilson, Arora Attenborough, Joel Plummer (Year 9) and Jake Simiana, Lindsay Kaul and Jasmine Van Wyck (Year 10) are completing their Bronze Awards, while Janaii Barlow and Andrea Burns (Year 11) are working towards the Silver Award level.

The Duke of Edinburgh Award is a voluntary personal journey that offers our students the opportunity to work with a wide range of people and experience a wide range of activities that will assist them in becoming a well rounded member of the community. Not only will the Award provide students with intrinsic motivation there is always the added motivation of the extra opportunities that present themselves to students who have completed the Award. Students can use the Award in their application for scholarships and in some cases university entrance can be influenced by the completion of the Duke of Edinburgh Award.

The Duke of Edinburgh Award at CHHS is a continual project therefore students can start at any time. If you would like to know more about this project or your student would like to participate in the award, please contact Mr Williams - Duke of Edinburgh Co-ordinator.
On the last Wednesday of Term 2, School Captain Erica Johnson and Year 12 Adviser Mrs Livingston flew to Sydney to attend the Secondary Schools Leadership Program. School Captain Dale Finch missed the flight as his alarm failed to wake him but fortunately was able to organise a seat on the next plane.

The day started at Parliament House – after the obligatory hot chocolate stop at the Lindt Café. At Parliament House we were enlightened as we listened to compelling, and at times comical state members as they spoke of their experiences. After this we were shown the ‘ins and outs’ of state parliament through several tours.

After this, we took a brisk and picturesque walk to Government House where we went on a tour of the government house and we heard about the bureaucracies of events such as dinners and ball and the formalities of meeting the The Governor, the Honorable Marie Bashir and her husband Sir Nicholas Shehadie. Governor Bashir and Sir Nicholas entered and we listened intently to Marie Bashir’s words of utmost wisdom and compassion. After this, we conversed with Sir Nicholas on the back veranda of Government house overlooking the harbor and Opera House.

A spot of shopping in the city concluded our day as we took Dale on a mandatory visit to Tiffany and Co. I am glad to say we had an inspiring and eye-opening day and that history did not manage to repeat itself as we all boarded the plane that evening – together.

Erica Johnson
HEAVY HORSE DAY

On Friday 18 July, the Year 9 Pet Care students travelled to Beechwood with their teacher Mr Kelly, to learn about draught horses and the work they performed before we had cars, trucks and tractors. Retired Wauchope baker, Mr Peter Cahill and his wife Denise, provided a wonderful experience and history lesson for students and staff. Mr Cahill has trained and worked with heavy horses for over forty years and has collected an amazing array of old farming equipment which he has lovingly restored. He has nine horses, many of which he has bred himself and used in competitions, field days and for local weddings. The antique farm equipment included ploughs, seeders, grass cutters, grader blades, super spreaders and scraper buckets. Mr Cahill explained the use of all this old gear and gave a demonstration of horse drawn ploughing. He also explained the harness and rigging for various bits of equipment.

One of his prized pieces of gear is a World War I “Furphy” water cart which is in excellent condition and was used to water the troops. He also had a restored Baker’s Cart and various other horse drawn vehicles including a spring cart which the students got to ride in.

His horses were well bred, well trained and obviously well loved by Mr and Mrs Cahill. This was a wonderful and unique experience which we were very fortunate to share with these generous people.
The Kendall Branch of the Country Women’s Association has donated a picture book to CHHS’s Library. The book is called *Lone Pine*, written by Susie Brown and Margaret Warner and illustrated by Sebastian Ciaffaglione. The text traces the origin of the original pine cone sent home to Australia by a World War 1 soldier at Gallipoli in 1915.

*Lone Pine* touches on battle and the loss of lives, but its main focus is to show how a pine tree and its scattered pine cones have connected families, generations and nations through memorial and remembrance. The book has been published as a First World War Centenary Edition, and is a welcome addition to the library in the lead up to next year’s centenary of the Gallipoli campaign. The book will be used extensively in the lead up to the 2015 Centenary of Gallipoli.
MARY SHOWCASES HER TALENT USING HER GERMAN SKILLS

Mary Warren is a full-time DE student who is studying with us because she is a talented up and coming dressage rider. She recently submitted this piece of work for German, describing her horse Rami, a bay stallion. She also has a young bay gelding called Raffi, who is still learning, but Mary was very pleased when Raffi gained two first places when they participated in a dressage competition at the end of May.

Mein Pferd

“Mindarah Park Ramadan”

- Sein Name ist Mindarah Park Ramadan
- Mein Haustier ist ein Pferd.
- Er ist groß, weich, niedlich, muskulös, und sein Fell ist schwarz und braun.
- Ramadan frisst Gras, Karotten, Äpfel und Pferdefutter. Er trinkt Wasser.
- Rami mag Würfelzucker und Umarmungen.
- Rami mag Schlangen nicht.
Staff really love the new iPad trolleys. We can now safely transport the iPads to the Support Centres for DE students and their supervisors to use. The wheely case has a built in charging station so the iPads are always ready to go. Students can use them to complete their work, connect to the wifi to access Moodle, surf the internet and complete research tasks.

The iPads are a valuable resource allowing students to get connected with their teachers and engage in their school work. This portable technology benefits students who otherwise don’t have computer or internet access in their homes.

*Left: Mr Casimir sets up at Gunnedah Support Centre.*
OPEN BOYS TENNIS RAFFLE

Blake Hudson, Blake Clark, Corey Clark and Logan Atkins have made it to the Stan Jones Trophy Tennis Knockout Final to be played at Richmond in Sydney in September. They are raising money to supplement the cost of going to this event.

We are raffling a tennis pack kindly donated by the Kendall Tennis Club. The pack can also be viewed in the front office.

Tickets are $2 each or 3 for $5.

Thank you for your support.

TERM 3 SPORT

Year 7 BOYS
- Tennis Kendall Courts: $4
- Games Railway oval: $3

Year 7 GIRLS
- School Multi Sport: No cost

Year 8 BOYS
- Boxercise/Games (Kendall Showground): $5

Year 8 GIRLS
- Laurieton Oval: $4
- Power Walking: $4

REMINDER: All students are to wear full sports uniform for school sport on Wednesday afternoons and appropriate footwear.
SPORT NEWS

U13 NORTHERN NSW RUGBY LEAGUE CHAMPIONS!

This week the U13’s Rugby League boys were crowned the Northern NSW Champions at the Country Cup Knockout in Coffs Harbour. The boys won two out of their three games, and finished with a superior for and against total, to claim a shot at the NSW Country Cup finals in Dubbo next month. This is a huge achievement from the boys, becoming the first North Coast School to ever win the Northern NSW finals. The boys knew that their first game against Farrer High School from Tamworth would likely be their toughest. Farrer are well known as a strong rugby league school with a rich sporting culture. Farrer were the first to score when their right centre made a break out wide. CHHS hit back soon after when a pin point accurate kick from Tom Crossfield was snatched over the line for a try to Kaine Cafe.

Farrer had all the possession at the start of the second half and eventually converted their possession into points with a try out wide to take a 10-6 lead. CHHS was unlucky not to win the game at the death when Jaxsen Miller made his way over the try line. The ball was ruled to have been stripped by Farrer, but was mistakenly given back to them; a decision that may have cost us the entire tournament. Farrer won 10-6.

The second game against All Saints College from Lochinvar was also a tough battle. Lochinvar had stamped their title of the ‘team to beat’ after a big first round win against South Grafton. CHHS needed to win to stay alive and delivered. Three first half tries saw us take an early 12-0 lead, but a late comeback by Lochinvar saw the final score finish 12-10 to CHHS. Kaine Cafe and Jackson Brannigan both scored tries.

Many things had to go their way in the third round, including other results. The boys knew they needed a big total against South Grafton, and for Lochinvar to beat Farrer if they were any chance of winning the day. The boys went hard from the get go and took a 14-0 lead at the break thanks to tries from Charlie Murray, Jackson Brannigan and Jackson Wadwell. With news from the other field that Lochinvar were beating Farrer, the boys were spurred to score as many tries as they could. Jackson Brannigan, Ronan Bailey, Kaine Cafe and Charlie Murray all crossed the line in a frantic half of point-scoring football. When the final whistle blew the boys had won the game 44-6.

Lochinvar had held on for a 16-14 win over Farrer, meaning the top three teams had finished with two wins and one loss. When the final scores were calculated Camden Haven High School were declared the winners on for and against points amongst scenes of joy and celebration.

Congratulations must go to all the boys, who have now progressed further than any U13’s side from our school and won 13 out of 14 matches. Ronan Bailey was awarded the Player of the Day. Other standout were Jaxsen Miller, Kaine Cafe, Tom Crossfield, Jackson Brannigan, Charlie Murray and Jackson Wadwell. Jesse Green also impressed. He had never played rugby league before but improved with each match.

Many thanks go to coach Mr Anderson for organising the boys and Mr Healey for driving the bus. Coach, Brett Anderson and Assistant Coach, Mr McVicar would also like to thank the Year 11 boys, Riley Opdam, Blayne Lambert-Bignell and Beau Lloyd, for their work as team trainers, as well as Jared Taylor, Joel Kennedy and Jack Chapman for their assistance on the day. Big thanks also go to the parents, family and friends who also supported the boys on the day.

Camden Haven U13’s Rugby League Team: Tom Crossfield (C), Jackson Brannigan (VC), Caleb Moss, Leeroy Facey, Ronan Bailey, David Dawra, Charlie Murray, Jackson Wadwell, Max Harris, George Simiana, Jaxsen Miller, Brad Kneipp, Jesse Green, Liam Betts, Jaison Burge, Robert Cortenay-Morriss and Jack Chapman.
CHRISTMAS IN JULY – TRIVIA NIGHT

Saturday 26th July, 2014 @ 6:30pm
Kendall Services Club

$10 per person including Prizes, Trivia Fun and Games

Festive Dress Encouraged!
Prizes for best dressed.

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