PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

This year the school has been able to provide a Senior Preparation Program for students in Years 11 and 12, utilising the additional funding we received through the Resource Allocation Model (or Gonski funds). The feedback from students, staff and parents has been very positive regarding the benefits of this program. Last week the school hosted a HSC launch night for parents of students who are commencing their HSC Course informing them of what to expect in the coming year. This week the Higher School Certificate examinations began smoothly with all students fully prepared and ready to undertake the examinations with confidence.

Last week the refurbishment of the library was completed with new and innovative desks, chairs and stools now in place. This also has been achieved with Gonski Funds. There is a lot more space available with the removal of desktop computers which have been replaced with laptops. iPads will also available in the coming weeks.

The official opening of our newest covered space was held on Thursday 20 October. The school entered and won a Sunsmart competition sponsored by the Cancer Council and eftpos. The grant of $25,000 was a valuable contribution towards covering the space, as was the donation of $20,000 from the P&C and a joint funding grant from the Department of Education. This is a great benefit to our students.

I look forward to another productive term and thank you all for your support of our students in their participation of the many activities we implement.

Mrs Hutchinson

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Camden Haven High School all girls robotics team “Tora” made a big impression at the National Robocup Competition in Adelaide during the holidays.

The team consisting of Arora Attenborough and Tiana Moore, assisted by the mentoring of Ms Lloyd-James, trekked to Adelaide to compete in the two day competition. The girls competed as the smallest, only girl team from a public school in the competition. The girls participated extremely well and were 9th in Australia in the Gen II competition.

The girls success wouldn’t have been possible without the support of UNSW Engineering, Industry Mid North Coast and Chief Executive Women members who kindly sponsored and supported the team. A special thank you to Mr Langley and Ms Lloyd-James who mentored, supported and guided the team to their success.
The students in 7Blue have been participating in a special program, which has been designed to practise their communication, team building and leadership skills. They have been involved in the building, designing and painting of a billycart, which will be entered into the Junior Race at the Beechwood Billycart Classic on Sunday 25 October 2015.

In addition to this, the students have learned how to write formal letters to ask local businesses for sponsorship; assisted in the design of team shirts; and been integral in the construction of the cart itself.

One of the students in the class, Cody Scott has written the following:

“The billycart build is coming along very nicely. We have made the frame, the sides, the push bar and the base. We are currently making the axle to fit some old wheels to it and making the steering wheel.

Mr Ashton, one of the TAS teachers, is supervising us and helping us to build it and we think it is a great idea.”

The students in the class recently voted for a driver and co-driver. Jayden Blunt and Jeremy Dawra were the most popular combination. We also have four other students who will be used as back-up drivers, whilst the rest of the students will form the pit crew.

The race will be held in Beechwood, a small village about seven kilometres from Wauchope. There will be lots of activities on the day around the Beechwood Hotel, which also happens to be the finish line for the race. The Junior Race will commence at 11am. So if you would like to come along and cheer on the Haven High Riders, the students would really love to see you there.
SCHOOL CUP AWARDS ASSEMBLY RECIPIENTS

Year 7
Emma Biddick
Dylan Boland
Holly Cook
Amber Currie
Kyra Evans
Mikha Everingham
Rhys Kendell
Jazmin Madden
Corey Marsh
Tahlia Meager
Luke Meier Smith
Liam Morrisey
Ebony Nicholas
Beau Phillipson
Cody Scott
Chloe Simiana
Kiaan Turnbull
Indi Yonon

Year 8
Jaison Burge
Caleb Cicak
Benjamin Coskerie
Alyssa Deutscher
Drew Eade
Lucy Falco
Phoebe Gee
Max Harris
Jordan Higgins
Soul Lorenz
Liam McCarthy
Brodie Myers
Alicia Svarc
Jacqueline Smith

Year 9
Chloe Beard
Kade Beauchamp
Jedd Boyan
Jackson Brannigan
Jacqueline Chilcott
Corrin Fardy
Tomas Lewis
Hudson Macindoe

Year 10
Sharni Lee Pollard
Krystal Ross
Ashleigh Simmons
Isaac Turnbull
James Turner
Jackson Wadwell
Olivia Williams
Aaron Bruggemann
Toby Buckley
Trent Clarke
Briellen Crane
Samuel Davis
Emma Eggins
Kelly Forster
Alice Harris
Bre’Arna Hoole
Christopher James
Diezal King
Joshua Merrill
Aarah Newman
Jacinta Ostler
Jesseka Potts
Samantha Preston
Jack Sheppard

Year 11
Annie Beukers
Bruce Cable
Beatrice Firth
Steven Garrad
Tarmara Gonzalez
Jeremy Hanks
Jade Hayman
David Jackson
Jeremy Jenkins
Talyn Kinnaird
Sam Mazoudier
Patrick Moulds
Elijah Plummer
Aaron Rumble
Daisy Skerritt
Lily Williams
Abby Wilson
Mr Jim Rourke (Indonesian teacher) and Mrs Cheryl Harland (Home Economics teacher) spent a week visiting our partner school, SMP16 Singkawang, in West Borneo last week. “Luar Biasa” is Indonesian for “extraordinary”. From the moment we stepped off the plane in Pontianak, West Borneo, to the moment we re-embarked our Garuda flight; these words were uttered on countless occasions.

It is hard to convey the warmth of the welcome that we received from our partner school and the community in general in Singkawang. We were treated, quite literally, like royalty. The official welcoming ceremony at the school was attended by the mayor, the prominent members of the education department and over 40 principals from around the city. The ceremony included dancers in traditional costume, musicians performing traditional music, a banquet, speeches and more dancing with the entire school population which Mrs Harland and I had to participate in, much to the amusement of everyone.

All this from a school which is extremely poor. Only one computer and projector is available for the whole school and there is, as yet, no internet. As the school is small, consisting of only six classrooms, the school runs in two shifts, a morning and afternoon session, for different groups of students. The second shift is only possible because the principal, Bu Risma, volunteers her time, knowing that many students would not receive schooling otherwise. Many students come from a background of grinding poverty, where some children are not guaranteed they will eat more than a bowl of rice in a day. We were puzzled how such a school could afford such a lavish welcome for us. The answer came later in the week, when we were taken to meet the “Pemuka masyarakat” (community elder) to thank him for the welcome. A very influential person in the Malayu ethnic group, he could be compared with an Aboriginal elder here. Bu Risma spoke to him about her desire to give us a traditional welcome, and he made it happen. The whole of the community chipped in voluntarily, and the school did not spend a cent.

This kind of welcome was repeated everywhere we went. In the course of the week, Bu Risma had organised visits to a number of different types of schools, including primary schools, junior and senior secondary schools, a vocational school, a Catholic school and a Muslim boarding school, in order to give us an overview of the Indonesian school system. At each venue we were again treated as highly honoured guests, with performances, speeches and banquets. Several times we were called upon to give speeches explaining the Australian educational system.
Aside from experiences with the education system we were also treated to a rich offering of the local culture, which is divided into three main ethnic groups – Malayu, Tionghoa (Indonesian Chinese) and Dayak. We were invited to three weddings, a dance performance where we got to try on traditional clothes, a traditional Chinese ceramics factory, a graduation ceremony and more. We also had the opportunity to teach students about Australia – its people, wildlife and school life.

It was wonderful to reconnect with Pak Fery and Bu Mella, who visited Camden Haven High School in June. We stayed in their homes with them and were treated as part of the family. This gave us a unique insight into the communal lifestyle of Indonesians, in which the extended family is ever present. And the food was amazing!

The Bridge Project is a federally funded initiative administered by the Asia Education Foundation to promote ongoing school partnerships between schools in Australia and Asia. Due to the strong personal relationships formed and our first-hand experience in each other’s schools, we are committed to ensuring that the partnership endures for the benefit of both schools and communities. At the end of our week in Singkawang, Mrs Harland and I made a personal donation to enable the school to finally have internet connection, which has the potential to open up the world for these students. The school is also in desperate need of laptops, books and other facilities. If anyone in the school community is interested in getting involved in this project, please contact me at:

james.rourke@det.nsw.edu.au
Thousands of Aussie teens are set to be cool next summer, thanks to Cancer Council’s Shade for Secondary Schools grant program. In 2014 the Council gave Australian high schools the opportunity to apply for a shade grant worth up to $25,000.

The response was overwhelming with one in eight secondary schools across Australia applying for the unique grant, which was funded by a $1 million donation from eftpos, as part of their annual Giveback program. Grants were allocated proportionally based on state and territory school populations.

Camden Haven High School is one of the 45 high schools nationally to receive the funding and now students at CHHS will benefit from more shade. The permanent structure is located in the Year 7 area and will provide much needed shade over the handball courts during the summer months.

Catherine Sullivan, Acting CEO, Cancer Council Australia says that the new shade structure will help fill a gap when it comes to adolescents and sun protection.

“Melanoma is the most common cancer in young Australians aged 12-24 years, with more than double the number of cases of any other kind of cancer. Without access to proper shade at lunch time, when UV levels often peak, our teenagers are put at risk of developing skin cancer in the future. However, we know that if the shade is there, they will use it.”

Australian test cricket captain and Cancer Council SunSmart Ambassador, Michael Clarke, spoke of the importance of remaining vigilant throughout your teenage years. “Speaking from personal experience I know how important it is to be Sunsmart. I remember my school days, lots of cricket and lots of sun.”

“We were delighted to unveil our new shade at school on Thursday 15 October. This will go a long way to improving sun protection in our school and will help protect our students now and in years to come.” Mrs Hutchinson said.

The school celebrated with an out of uniform day, staff and students alike, dressing in yellow and giving a gold coin donation to help support the Cancer Council. Everyone had lots of fun at the shade shelter opening, with prizes on offer to everyone who was brightly attired. Amber Currie of Year 7 won the $30 gift voucher.

UNSW ICAS ENGLISH

Congratulations to Jacqueline Smith, Year 8, who received a High Distinction in her UNSW ICAS English Competition. This result puts Jacqueline in the top 1% of students in her year level who sat the exam.

Distinctions (top 10% of participants) were awarded to Amber Currie (Year 7), Griffin Ferguson and Toby Buckley (both Year 10).
A LIBRARY FOR 21ST CENTURY LEARNING

Students and staff are loving the Library makeover. Laptops are now available for use.

The wobbly stools are bright and fun but also, like the chairs, ergonomically designed for good health and posture. Desks have castors so they are easily rearranged allowing students to sit individually, in pairs or in small groups in a way that best suits their needs. Funky ottomans provide for comfy reading and sharing.
In the last week of Term 3, eleven members of the Cattle Team travelled to Armidale on Tuesday 15 September. Six junior members from Year 7 attended, this being their first show, allowing them the opportunity to develop their understanding of showing Cattle, and to develop their practical skills. The Year 7 students were: Alana Fletcher, Jessica Middleton, Kiaan Turnbull, Kierra McSkimming, Monica Murray and Rachel Hosick. They benefited from the guidance and leadership shown by the older students: Jaimee Ashe, Jacinta Ostler, Montana Boardman, Claire Burgess and Single Course DE student, Jack Carter.

The competition was incredibly tough with a big prize package for winners. This attracted fierce competition from big studs in Queensland and all over NSW. Kiaan and Jacinta made it to the finals for their age division in parading, and Montana received a Highly Commended for the Junior Judging competition.

The Year 7 students were responsible for all aspects of looking after the steer stock, washing and preparing him for parading and classing and being organised for the competition. The older students mentored and guided these younger students with advice and weren’t too far away with some helpful tips and hints. The students had a fantastic time and learnt a lot from the experience. The older students developed their leadership and communication skills. The junior students learnt how to prepare and care for show cattle, developed their judging knowledge and worked well as a group. The final live auction of all cattle entered was very exciting for the students to watch and to see a glimpse of the Beef Industry in a real world setting. The younger students also experienced camping out in the cool Armidale temperature and weather. It was a very cold night and frequent thunderstorms had students moving their camps in the middle of the night, looking for shelter!

All students were still smiling the whole trip, and had a brilliant time! Congratulations to all students again on demonstrating the school values with pride in the community, and representing the school so well!
TAREE SHOW JUDGING

Taree Show was held on Friday 9 October. This year the show was only offering Junior Judging as it is the qualifier for RAS. Eight students from the Cattle Team travelled to Taree to participate in the competition in the evening with Mr Hickson and Miss Cutler. There was a strong field of 30 plus competitors from local schools, all hoping for one of the two qualifying positions. Students had to judge 3 classes of Cattle; kill today steers, sire bulls and future breeding heifers. All students then had to speak on the microphone and justify their placing and reasoning for the heifer class.

Jaimee Ashe of Year 10 came second in the competition and has secured her position to represent the Mid North Coast in Judging at the 2016 Sydney Royal Easter Show. There was only 5 points separating the top 5 placed students, so it was a very close competition! Jaimee impressed the judge in her speech, when she spoke confidently about her placing of the heifers. She compared and justified her choices, which is difficult to do in an impromptu situation. Congratulations Jaimee on your hard work and fantastic achievement!

Now to get prepared and organised for the competition in Sydney next year!
The Lower Hunter Support Centres are off to a flying start for Term 4. We expect this will be a fast and furious term as Christmas quickly approaches. Mr Schmeider and Tayla enjoy a large iced bun at the start of the re-entry to School Transition Program at the Nelson Bay PCYC. Hiding from view is Darcy. We wish these students well on their journey towards mainstream school attendance during Term 4.

Kain explores the root of a hair magnified 300 times as he studies Micro-Structures in a “hands on” science class at the Broadmeadow Support Centre.
Mikaela Dawson proudly displays her Certificate of Graduation and her Excellence Award in Work Studies as she completes her Higher School Certificate. Mikaela is going to be dearly missed at the Broadmeadow Support Centre as she moves into the workforce with clear aspirations and goals.

Well done Mikaela and congratulations from us all.
SCHOOL UNIFORM

It is the expectation of our school community that all students attending Camden Haven High School will be dressed in school uniform and that all students wear their uniform with pride.

This term we have put in place a process to enable this to occur. Students out of uniform MUST have a signed note from parents/carers explaining why they are out of uniform. Notes should be taken to either the Stage Deputy or Head Teacher Uniform (Ms Baker) before 9am to receive an out of uniform pass.

Out of Uniform Pass

Students are responsible for:

• Supplying a signed note from home (for that day) explaining the reason why they are out of uniform and an anticipated date of return to uniform. This note must be taken to the Stage Deputy or HT Uniforms before 9.00am, where a uniform pass will be issued;
• Producing the uniform pass to any teaching staff upon request;
• Applying for assistance, should they be out of uniform for reasons of financial hardship. This form is available at the front office;
• Wearing leather footwear appropriate for specialised subjects in accordance with the Footwear Guidelines for NSW Government Schools;
• Wearing the appropriate PE/Sport uniform – (the sport uniform can be worn all day on the designated sport day);
• Wearing the school uniform on all school excursions, including academic, cultural, curriculum, merit and sporting, unless negotiated with the Principal.

Students who are out of uniform will be required to follow these procedures in the school.

• Counselling, warning issued and incident recorded on Millennium
• Detention issued for that day, incident recorded on Millennium, phone call home
• Detention issued for that day, incident recorded on Millennium, letter home
• Further disciplinary action, including detentions, exclusion from school activities, parent/carer interview

Click on the link below to view the Uniform requirements in detail. If you have any questions, please contact the school between 8.30am and 3.30pm.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

Senior Uniform

Junior Uniform
SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

Welcome back to Term 4. I hope everyone enjoyed their break.

Our 20% off sale which was held during Weeks 9 and 10 of last term was very successful with lots of people taking advantage of the opportunity to purchase discount uniforms. It was great to see. Thanks to Cindy and Lisa for filling in for me in Week 10, their help was very much appreciated.

In other news, the price of all uniforms has increased by $2 - $3. The uniform prices have remained the same for the last three years and unfortunately with rising production costs we have had to increase the prices. The new price list is available on the CHHS website.

We have finalised uniform shop hours for December and January and these details are also available on the website.

Looking forward to seeing you soon in the uniform shop.

Mrs C McInnes - Uniform Shop Coordinator

P & C NEWS

The Gonski Review found that Australia is investing too little in schools and that the way we distribute the money is neither fair nor effective. Under the Gonski plan, all schools will receive the additional funding they need to deliver a high quality education for every child. That funding was scheduled to be delivered over 6 years commencing in 2014. In the 2014 federal budget, the Government announced it would not honour the last two years of the Gonski agreements in 2018 and 2019. The 2015 budget did not reverse this decision or introduce any new measures for funding schools.

Only one third of the needs based Gonski funding will be delivered by 2017. In our school this means that we could miss out on approximately $2.6m. We need to convince the Federal Government to revert to the 6 year Gonski funding. This requires us to work together.

We know that the Gonski funding is making a difference at Camden Haven High. In future newsletters, we plan to introduce you to some of the programs that have been funded through Gonski and what fabulous outcomes they have had to date.

As parents of public school students we need to stand up and be counted on this issue.

Joanne Kaul President, CHHS P & C To find out more about the campaign visit www.igiveagonski.com.au and sign the petition.
Start thinking about a good life

- **Hear** about changes to the disability support system and what it will mean for you
- **Talk** about planning and things to consider for your life
- **See** what some people are already doing.

NEWCASTLE WORKSHOP
Tuesday 10th November
10.00am - 2.00pm
The Place Charlestown
81/30 Pearson Street,
Charlestown, NSW, 2290

For people with disability, their families and carers. Registration essential. Get in touch if you have any support or dietary needs.

Lunch will be provided.

My Choice Matters workshops are fully accessible.

Find out more

SOME HELPFUL LINKS FROM THE CAREERS TEAM

UAC Schoolink
Relevant UAC info. for Careers Advisers

Work Studies Syllabus Document
Direct link to the syllabus

Student Income Support Guide
This is a publication from the Department of Human Services (previously covered by Centrelink) and is a guide for Careers Advisers re: what support/payments students are able to access and the rules etc. for these.

Student Guide for completing the Careers and Transition Plan
This document can be modified for your school and printed off to give to students to assist them in completing their Careers and Transition Plan. It is in Word format so you can insert your own school logo and your school careers website address.

Turning Point Consulting
Turning Point delivers educational strengths-based programs to schools, student groups and professionals with the view to clarifying self, purpose, goals and areas of enjoyment linked to self-development, leadership and career planning.

There are a range of programs and sessions for Careers Advisers and students, including Supporting Wellbeing, Strengths & Self Awareness, Career Transition Skills, Networking & Recruitment Trends, Resume Writing, Interview Skills, Presentation & Appearance, Scholarship Application Process, Industry Trends & Changes, Work Readiness and Leadership Skills.

Kathryn can be contacted via the website at Turning Point Consulting.
Corey and Krystal Clark are elite athletes in their chosen sport of tennis. When they aren’t at school, studying hard, then they can be found on the tennis court ... somewhere in Australia. During the September school holidays the brother and sister duo played in a number of competitions, with much success.

Gosford Gold Junior
- Corey - won u/14 doubles – (he didn’t play singles in this event)
- Krystal - won – u/14 doubles and runner up - 14/u singles

Sydney Nationals
- Corey - lost in the quarter finals of u/14 singles to the Number 2 seed in Australia for his age group (1-6 7-6 12-10) - went on to win the main draw u/14 singles consolation event – and lost in the quarter finals in the u/14 doubles
- Krystal - made it to the play-offs but lost in the u/14 singles quarter finals to the eventual winner

Queensland Junior
- Corey- won u/16 singles and made semi-finals of the doubles
- Krystal – won u/14 doubles and runner up of the u/14 singles

Congratulations to both these outstanding tennis players.
Congratulations to Tyrone Marshall (Year 8) who has returned from the NSW All Schools Track and Field Championships in Sydney with a bundle of medals. Tyrone competed in the Para Athlete division, winning two silver medals in the 800m and discus and two bronze medals in both the long jump and shotput. These results have earned Tyrone a spot in the NSW State Team to compete at the Australian All Schools Athletics Championships in Melbourne in early December.
Kendall Creative Workshop

Opportunity to explore, discover, imagine, tinker and create.....

Where? Kendall Showground
When? Each Saturday 2pm–4pm
How Much? $10 AGES: 5-14

Need more info?
Contact: kendallcreativeworkshop@gmail.com
FUNDRAISING

SPRING FETE

SATURDAY 24TH OCT 9AM - 1PM

KENDALL COMMUNITY PRESCHOOL
19 RAILWAY STREET
KENDALL

sausage sizzle
face painting
garden gallery
pony rides
garage sale
plants
raffle
MELBOURNE CUP LUNCHEON

Tuesday 3rd November

Bus pickup from Dunbogan & Laurieton School of Arts returning from Lorne Valley Macadamia Farm at 4.00pm

Cost: $55 p/p incl Transport, 2 Course Meal + Tea / Coffee LUCKY DOOR PRIZE & SWEEPS AVAILABLE ON THE DAY PRIZES for best dressed Male / Female

Tickets are available from J&A Fashions - Laurieton

If you require further information please contact Mary Laing on 0402 659 449