PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

Education Week will be celebrated next week and once again our school, in conjunction with our local primary schools, is pleased to be able to showcase our wonderfully talented students in our annual Camden Haven Arts Festival for Students (CHAFFS). The festival provides the opportunity for local primary school students to visit the school on the rehearsal day and during the concert see the opportunities that will be available to them in the future as students at Camden Haven High School. Please come along and enjoy the performances. There will ample parking available on the school oval.

Year 10 students are currently being provided with information regarding subject choices for Year 11 in 2016. Interviews will be held next week and parents who would like to make an appointment to discuss these choices with a member of the Careers Team, may do so by ringing the school. Subject choices for Year 8 students moving into Year 9 in 2016 are also being finalised and there will more information provided to these students later in the term.

The Trial Higher School Certificate examinations begin next week for Year 12. I know that this can be a stressful time for both students and parents and the Parent Information evening last week was very helpful to parents. Should you require any support at this time, contact Ms Westman who leads the Stage 6 team and she will be able to provide the assistance required. I know students have been preparing thoroughly and I wish them well in their efforts.

Mrs M Hutchinson

Upcoming events

- 27/7 Trial HSC exams
- 05/8 CHATS Test
- 11/8 ICAS Maths Comp
- 01/9 Camp Cobark
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- 15/9 Immunisations Y7,11,12
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Back to the 80’s!

What a way to finish off the end of Term 2. Congratulations Camden Haven High School on a huge success with the musical production of Back to the 80’s!

The students worked tirelessly over the term in all areas of the production. This included dancers, actors, actresses, the band and stage, lighting and backstage crew members. Approximately 50 students were involved in the show from Years 8 to 12.

A huge thank you goes to all the students for their continual dedication to the project. The time spent on rehearsals both in and out of school is commendable. The efforts especially of Lindsay Kaul from Year 11 and the help from the teachers allowed this excellent show to take place. The new technical equipment of lights, microphones and speakers also allowed for such a quality, professional show.

This was an outstanding effort to all and we can’t wait for the next one!
NAIDOC WEEK

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 Thursday 25 June with an out of uniform day. Staff and students wore the colours of the flag: black, red and yellow.

Uncle Glenn Hannah from Bunyah Land Council Wauchope gave us a very special Welcome to Country at our NAIDOC assembly. The Acknowledgement of Country was given by Year 11 student, Amy Davies, in the Kattang language of this area.

The young dancers from Manning Gardens Primary School entertained us 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.

Jason Kafoa, a Bundjalung singer/guitarist shared his original songs with us and also serenaded us at lunch time.

The celebrations were hosted by MC’s Ms Westman and Hamish Cook-Webber of Year 7.

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

Special guests included parents/carers and our Aboriginal mentors. Students from Herons Creek and Kendall Primary Schools also enjoyed the day.
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Premier’s Reading Challenge for 8C & 8A

Students in 8C & 8A should be currently finishing off their Premier’s Reading Challenge.

Regular reading at home will be necessary for students to achieve their goal of reading twenty books by August 20. It has been wonderful to see many students discovering books they’ve loved and then recommending them to others.

Research for Year 7 students

This term all Year 7 classes will complete a Maths library research task. Three lessons will be spent in the library so students can be taught how to research and how to present their information as a report.

Please remind your student/s to check the marking criteria in their yellow booklets so they earn as many marks as possible. The How to Write a Bibliography booklet they were given at the beginning of the year may be a handy reference.

Research will also be completed later in the term on either Geography (World Heritage) or History (Ancient Egypt) to give students further opportunities to develop important skills like note-taking and writing bibliographies.

Help with these assignments is available in the library every morning from 8.30-9.00.
**LIBRARY**

**Year 12**

The library has just acquired the latest HSC Exam Booklets containing sample answers from last year’s HSC. These are for Biology, Business Studies, Economics, English, IPT, Legal Studies and PDHPE. Students are able to borrow these and a wide variety of study guides as they prepare for their Trial examinations.

Mrs Rienstra
Teacher Librarian

**WINTER WOOLIES**

According to W. C. Fields, one should never work with children or animals. Unfortunately being an Agriculture teacher at Camden Haven High School, it’s somewhat of an occupational hazard, and with three new baby lambs born this week, students are looking forward to learning the ins and outs of sheep husbandry. Once again Old Mumma, the matriarch of the flock has produced another set of twins, (her fourth successful twin pregnancy). Not bad for an ewe approaching 11 years of age, considering the average lifespan for sheep is 10-12 years, said Agriculture teacher Mr Shilling.
SRC NEWS

Upcoming term three events

Term three is going to be busy for the SRC! Upcoming events include year 12’s last ever Camden Haven Bash! Yes that’s right, the final social for year 12 occurs on the 27th August. However, it has a twist to it this year. Year 12 really wanted to again hear the quality bands we have at CHHS. So there is going to be a bit of a ‘mosh pit’ going on with bands playing awesome music to dance to and in between band set-ups will be some pumping loud music to keep the mood going. Again of course the SRC will keep the canteen running so you can all keep up with energy consumption.

School elections will also be held this term. This is where students in years 7 – 12 vote for their SRC year representative and also school leaders. Lastly, there will also be an out-of-uniform day to keep things interesting. All of these events will be organised by your committed and dedicated SRC representatives. Stay tuned for more information on all of these events!

Luminosity Youth Forum

The SRC have also sponsored students from our school to attend the Luminosity Youth Forum in Port Macquarie which is carried out over three days 15th – 17th July. We are all keen to see the inspiration and innovation that these students will bring back with which they can put back into their school and local communities.

Mrs Wilson

YEAR 8 ENTERPRISE SKILLS PROGRAM SWANS CROSSING EXCURSION

At the end of term 3 on Friday the 4th of September the Swans Crossing Challenge is on.

All year 8 students in groups will navigate a tough course in the Swans Crossing area, meeting challenges and with one match only build (hopefully) a fire and cook their sausages for lunch.

The focus of this excursion is for students to participate in an outdoor team challenge to develop their communication, teamwork and problem solving skills. The excursion will go ahead whether it rains or shines. Students and staff always enjoy or at the very least remember this day for a long time.

A towel and a spare shirt and shorts are essential as there is a possibility of getting wet or muddy with the activities. If there is wet weather, bring a raincoat for protection and warmth. Students should carry their gear in a strong backpack and be prepared for a day in the bush and for some new interesting challenges.
Jessica Smith and Nicole Yarrington attended a single course day for German HSC Beginners run by Mr Rourke at Toronto Multi-Purpose Centre on Tuesday 21st July. With the HSC oral examination just weeks away, the focus was on speaking. One activity required students to speak for 30 seconds on a variety of topics, which they found somewhat confronting, but worthwhile. By the end of the day students had gained much confidence which was evident in the simulated HSC oral exam. On the following day, the workshop was repeated at Camden Haven High School for Tobias Dowton, who was unable to attend in Newcastle.

DISTANCE EDUCATION CAMP

Our distance education camp will be held at Shoal Bay Holiday Park between Monday 24 August and Thursday 27 August.

The cost of the excursion is $100 per student and this includes all accommodation, food and activities for the four day camp.

Travel arrangements are via private means or by our school bus. The school will be providing limited travel arrangements, please contact Mr Williams if you would like to attend the camp and need transport.

Distance Education Camp Itinerary - Shoal Bay Holiday Park 24 August – 27 August 2015

Monday 24 August

• 11am – Welcome to Camp
• Warm up Activities – Get to know you games, trust building exercises and teamwork games
• Support Centre One – Teachers will be available to support student’s complete Title pages and assessment tasks.
• Own Time – This time will give students the opportunity to access their cabins, socialise with friends and have some down time.
• Dinner - Details to be advised
• Movie Night – Time to relax with friends, popcorn and a movie!
**Tuesday 25 August**

- **Breakfast** - We will congregate at the camp kitchen, working together to prepare breakfast
- **Excursion** – We will travel to Fighter World at Williamtown RAAF base to explore the range of aviation history on display [http://www.fighterworld.com.au/](http://www.fighterworld.com.au/)
- **Support Centre Two/Robotics** – Students from the face to face school will join distance education students teaching them how to design/build and program robots. For those students who may not be interested in this, teachers will be available to support them with title pages and assessment tasks.
- **Excursion** – Time for some exercise, together staff/parents and students will walk up to the Tomaree lookout, this will be a great opportunity to spot some whales in the bay.
- **Dinner** – Details to be advised

**Wednesday 26 August**

- **Breakfast** - We will congregate at the camp kitchen, working together to prepare breakfast
- **Support Centre Three/Robotics** – Students from the face to face school will join distance education students teaching them how to design/build and program robots. For those students who may not be interested in this, teachers will be available to support them with title pages and assessment tasks.
- **Excursion** – Students will have the opportunity to feed a sting ray and pat a shark at the Shark and Sting Ray centre. This will provide an informative lesson about the marine environment and how we can look after our marine environment better [http://www.sharkencounters.com.au/](http://www.sharkencounters.com.au/)
- **Own time** – After a busy morning and exciting excursion students will have the opportunity to rest and reflect.
- **Amazing Race** – Yes this awesome activity is back and Mr Williams has an even better challenge ready for student’s/parents/staff in the Nelson Bay CBD.
- **Dinner** – Details to be advised

**Thursday 27 August**

- **Breakfast** - We will congregate at the camp kitchen, working together to prepare breakfast
- **Practicals/Tutoring** – The morning will be devoted to providing students with opportunities normally only available in the face to face school. Science experiments, art lessons and cooking demonstrations will all be available to students. Senior students not participating in practicals will have access to staff to assist with title pages and assessment tasks.
- **Lunch/Farewell** – Unfortunately the camp has to come to an end at some time.
CAMDEN HAVEN CONCERT BAND

CAMDEN HAVEN CONCERT BAND presents

THEMES, DREAMS AND RHAPSODIES
Sunday 26 July 2pm
Adults $10 / Children $5 (includes afternoon tea)

LAURIETON SCHOOL OF ARTS
CNR BOLD AND LAURIE STREETS
WHAT IS THE NATIONAL DATA COLLECTION?

The Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (the national data collection) is an annual collection that counts the number of school students with disability and the level of reasonable educational adjustment they are provided with.

The national data collection will count students who have been identified as receiving an adjustment to address a disability under the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 (the DDA). The DDA can be accessed from the ComLaw website at www.comlaw.gov.au.

WHAT IS THE BENEFIT FOR MY CHILD?

The aim of the national data collection is to collect better information about school students with disability in Australia.

This information will help teachers, principals, education authorities and families to better support students with disability to take part in school on the same basis as students without disability.

The national data collection is an opportunity for schools to review their learning and support systems and processes to continually improve education outcomes for their students with disability.

WHY IS THIS DATA BEING COLLECTED?

All schools across Australia collect information about students with disability. But the type of information currently collected varies between each state and territory and across government, Catholic and independent school sectors.

When implementing the national data collection, every school in Australia will use the same method to collect information. Therefore, a government school in suburban Sydney will collect and report data in the same way as a Catholic school in country Victoria and an independent school in the Northern Territory.

The information provided through the national data collection will enable all Australian governments to better target support and resources to benefit students with disability. The data will help schools to better support students with disability so that they have the same opportunities for a high quality education as students without disability.

WHAT ARE SCHOOLS REQUIRED TO DO FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITY?

All students are entitled to a quality learning experience at school.

Schools are required to make reasonable adjustments, where needed, to assist students with disability to access and participate in education free from discrimination and on the same basis as other students.

These responsibilities are outlined in the DDA and the Disability Standards for Education 2005 (the Standards). The Standards require educators, students, parents and others (e.g. allied health professionals) to work together so that students with disability can participate in education. The Standards can be accessed via the ComLaw website at www.comlaw.gov.au.

WHAT IS A REASONABLE ADJUSTMENT?

A reasonable adjustment is a measure or action taken to help a student with disability access and participate in education on the same basis as students without disability. Reasonable adjustments can be made across the whole school setting (e.g. ramps into school buildings), in the classroom (such as adapting class lessons) and at an individual student level (e.g. extra tuition for a student with learning difficulties).

WHAT INFORMATION WILL BE COLLECTED?

Every year your child’s school will collect the following information for each student with a disability:

- the student’s level of education (i.e. primary or secondary)
- the student’s level of adjustment
- the student’s broad type of disability.

The information collected by schools will be provided to all governments to inform policy and
The Federation of Parents and Citizens Associations of NSW

We would like to Cordially invite you to Attend our “Increasing Parent and Community Engagement “
Mid North Coast Forum

Purpose
To increase Parent and Community Engagement within P&C Associations in our Public Schools, so partnerships can be strengthened to deliver quality outcomes for our Public Education system and ultimately our children and their future.

When: Saturday 8th August 2015
Where: Rydges Hotel
1 Hay Street Port Macquarie
NSW 2444 Australia

Registration From: 11.00am
Time: 11.30am – 4pm

Light refreshments and Lunch included

Further information
Come along and meet your Councillor, listen to our guest speakers and most importantly join in the discussion groups to have your say.

Guest Speakers
• Susie Boyd - P&C Federation Secretary, Information regarding Grant opportunities
• Port Macquarie Local MP - Leslie Williams
• Representatives from the NSW Education

Group Discussions
• A Question session
• There will be 2 opportunities for attendees to participate in discussions and have your say.

THERE IS NO FEE TO ATTEND THIS FORUM
Please Register online from 16/7/14 until 03/08/2015
To Register please click here

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TELL THEM FROM ME SURVEYS

Dear Parents and Carers

This term, our school is once again taking part in the Tell Them From Me student survey. The survey will provide us with valuable feedback on what our students think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them. Schools in Australia and around the world have used the Tell Them From Me survey to help them improve. The survey is completed on-line and is run by an independent research company, The Learning Bar, which specialises in school-based surveys.

Staff in schools will not be able to identify individual students from their responses. To ensure confidentiality, participating students will receive a unique username and password. The survey typically takes less than 30 minutes to complete and will be administered by the school during normal school hours. Once the surveys are completed by students, reports are prepared and in most cases are available to schools within three business days.

This research will help our school to better understand how to improve student wellbeing and engagement. It will also help teachers discuss what works to improve student outcomes.

Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary. Your child will not take part if either you or your child do not wish to. If, during the survey, your child is uncomfortable answering any question, he/she should leave it blank and move on to the next one. Your child can stop the survey at any time.

If you do not want your child to take part in the survey, please let Ms Westman at the school know by Friday 14 August 2015.

Mrs M Hutchinson  
Principal  
Camden Haven High School

Dr Jenny Donovan  
General Manager  
Centre for Education Statistics and Evaluation

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STATE CROSS COUNTRY

Last Friday 17 July, a small group of students braved the terrible wet, windy, cold and slippery conditions to compete in State Cross Country. We had exceptional results as you can see.

Tyrone Marshall is now heading to Melbourne to compete in the National Cross Country Event. Congratulations!!

Camden Haven Results

12-15 years AWD
Tyrone Marshall - 2nd Place (CHS)

15 years Boys 4.0km
Tom Lewis - 6th Place (CHS) 13th Place (ALLSCHOOLS)
Zac Alchin - 54th Place (CHS) 74th Place (ALLSCHOOLS)
Joel Barton - 71st Place (CHS) 92nd Place (ALLSCHOOLS)

15 years Girls 4.0km
Tasha Lorenz - 52nd Place (CHS) 71st Place (ALLSCHOOLS)

18 years Girls 6.0km -
Louisa Bailey - 21st Place (CHS) 39th Place (ALLSCHOOLS)

This was a great effort by all students in extremely terrible conditions.

Ms Cook