**PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE**

Last week was Education Week and the highlight for the Camden Haven Community of Schools was the annual CHAFFS concert. This was the tenth Camden Haven Arts Festival for Students and I believe it was the best showcase of talent we have seen thus far. Not only were the performers on stage amazing, but the behind scenes work of sound, lighting and stage management of each of the acts and the props and equipment was efficient and well-coordinated, ensuring the whole event ran very smoothly. The Mass Choir, coordinated by Mrs Bruggemann and the Mass Band led by Mrs Skerrit and Mr Garven were both truly reflective of the cooperation and collaboration between our Community of Schools and pride that all our students, staff and parents have in our local public schools. Congratulations and well done to all involved.

The Trial HSC has now concluded and Year 12 students return to classes next week and begin to make their final preparations of the HSC examinations in Term 4. Projects are currently being completed and submitted for marking and the Practical Examinations begin next week for Dance students. It’s a busy time ahead for Year 12, make the most of the time left to maximise your chances for success.

Nominations are open for students who may wish to be members of the Student Representative Council or for Captains and Vice Captains. Participation in the SRC builds leadership skills and helps students have a voice in what happens across the school. I would ask parents to discuss with their students the possibility of nominating to become members. Nominations close on 21 August. I look forward to the elections on 3 September.

Mrs M Hutchinson
The Camden Haven High School Robotics team travelled to the University of Newcastle on Thursday 6 August to compete in the Robocup Junior Hunter Regional Championships.

Robocup is an international competition with events up to University level. High schools compete in three different events - soccer, which has three divisions, rescue and dance. Over fifty secondary schools attended the event and our school sent five teams; three in soccer and two in rescue.

CHHS came away on the day with three first place positions:
- Open Soccer was won by Year 8 girls, Tiana Moore and Alisha Cooper
- Gen 2 Soccer was won by Tyrone Marshall Year 8, Joel Plummer Year 10 and Riley Griffin Moores Year 7
- Lightweight Soccer was won by Year 10 student, Aurora Attenborough.

Our Year 7 rescue team came fourth from more than 30 teams. Well done to Brad Smith, Ben White, Mikka Everingham and Bannon Gloster-Horne.

Supervising teachers, Mr Pengelly and Mrs Lloyd James, said that the day was extremely valuable and very enjoyable. They praised the students for the way in which they presented themselves and their outstanding participation in all the challenges.

The teams’ success comes after hours of frustration, late nights and mountains of problem solving tenacity. From here they travel to the University of NSW in three weeks to take on the best in the state.
The tenth CHAFFS evening incorporated students from all the schools in the Camden Haven Community of Schools (CHCoS) – Camden Haven High School, Hannam Vale, Herons Creek, Johns River, Kendall, Laurieton, Moorland and North Haven Public Schools. This year saw the inclusion of students from Lake Cathie Public School who performed in the Community of Schools Band performances.

Isaac Bruggemann compered the evening with Laurieton Public School student Abigail Gammon. Camden Haven High School was represented by two dance groups, two rock bands and students who performed in the CHCoS’s band.

The Year 10 rock band received the loudest cheer of the evening for their performance of Wolfmothers ‘Joker and the Thief’. They could be the band to watch for at the upcoming Haven Wave!
Year 11 students had an incredibly enriching week of activity in Thredbo, with many keen to go back soon and further develop their skills on the slopes. The hard work, commitment and effort demonstrated by the teachers who supervised the excursion did not go unnoticed by the students who are extraordinarily grateful for the opportunities they were provided throughout the week of camp and the smoothness with which it was run. A more detailed outline of the camp can be read in the next newsletter.

A full report of the Year 11 ski trip will be in the school Delphis magazine at the end of the year.
Savanna, a Distance Education student from Dorrigo has completed her Major Project for Aboriginal Studies recently. Students of Aboriginal Studies are able to choose whatever topic they liked for their Major Project and they were allowed to present it in any manner they wished.

Savanna choose the topic: ‘The relationship between Aboriginal people and the land: Migration’. She choose to present her work in the form of a painting. After researching migration within the Gumbaynggirr country in which she lives, she used traditional symbols to demonstrate the regional migration within her painting.

The Major Project also requires students to complete a logbook that details their journey through the processes they undertake. The Project and Logbook constitute 40% of their HSC mark.
SCHOOL NOTICES

SRC

Just to let you all know of the following dates for your diary:

- **Thursday 27 August – Haven Wave.** Join us in farewelling Year 12 at their final social – well sort of. There will be lots of dancing but instead of an awesome DJ we will be listening to awesome bands from our school. Tickets will go on sale soon and will be $5 each.

- **Captain speeches** will be **Tuesday 1 September** in normal assembly time.

- **Elections** will be held on **Thursday 3 September** to vote for school captains and also SRC members.

- Nomination forms for captains and SRC are available at the front office. **These forms need to be completed and returned to the front office by 21 August.**

You might want to find a comfy place to sit now and read the much awaited article on the Luminosity Youth Forum held in Port Macquarie on the 15-17 July. Sounds like another successful year of this event.

Mrs Wilson

LUMINOSITY

Ahhhh ... Luminosity. What is there to say about you? Well for starters you’re an inspiring delightful Youth Summit where people aged 15-25 go to be helped along in there “Journey to Success”, which coincidentally some students at CHHS were lucky enough to attend. Day 1 we met our amazing MC Andrew Morello (who we found out later won the apprentice of the year back in 2009 as well as many other titles). After Andrew we were given a speech by some of the most amazing and adrenaline filled people ... you may have heard of Cas & Jonesy. These two have canoed across the Tasman Sea and been the first people (tying with a blonde Norwegian guy) to walk to the South Pole and back without help from the outside world, having to carry all of their supplies on their 150kg sleds.

Day 2 was our first master class day where students could choose any class that suited their personality.
These master classes had people varying from kinesiologists and businessmen, nationwide renowned film makers. Everyone came back from the Luminosity Youth Summit feeling inspired and all raved about the master classes and how inspiring they were. After this class radio station host, Maz Compton, spoke and she was one of the most inspiring speakers of the day. Her humour and entertaining anecdotes created the perfect balance to be an amazing public speaker.

Day 3 saw some students growing emotionally weary as Luminosity taught us more about life and the opportunities that it presents. It was interesting to hear how people who come from an everyday background can become very well-known and well-rounded amazing people.

Everyone who attended enjoyed this Youth Summit and some, in fact most, are looking to continue this experience by paying for themselves to go next year! Here’s what some of them thought about their experience ...

- Luminosity was one of the best experiences of my life! I loved how all the speakers just came on stage and were themselves. None of them were trying to hide behind a facade. – Max Wilson
- It was a life changing experience and it was the best thing ever. The only problem was that it went for only three days. – Inndia Vitnell.
- Busy – Jordan Frith
- Amazing. I now know what I want to do in life! – Skyla Kettles
- Luminosity was a truly incredible experience which has taught my peers and I the importance of dreaming big and taking calculated risks to achieve success – Toby Buckley

Thank you to the SRC and other sponsors who enabled us to experience this great event.

Max Wilson – Year 10

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS

Winter is certainly still upon us, so come into the uniform shop for your winter uniform needs. We have Fleecy Jackets available for $41.00 and CHHS Trackpants available for $38.00, with plenty of stock in all sizes.

Payment options include cash and eftpos, but unfortunately we don't accept cheques. If parents can't make it into the Uniform Shop, students are welcome to come in and purchase their own uniforms. Parents can also ring and pay by card over the phone, or credit card authorisation forms are available on the school website.

I look forward to seeing you soon in the Uniform Shop.

Mrs McInnes

Uniform Shop Co-ordinator
Year 8 Student & Parent Information Afternoon

TUESDAY, 11TH AUGUST

Venue: MPC at Camden Haven High School

Time: 2.15-3.26 pm

Subject selections and Information booths

The purpose of this afternoon is to provide parents/caregivers and students with information about subject selections.

Date: Tuesday 11th August
Venue: MPC
Time: 2.15 to 3.26pm

Students and parents can walk around the MPC and talk with teachers about the subjects that they may want to select in Years 9 and 10

Information booths will provide information about the courses offered
The annual Careers Expo, held at Camden Haven High School Thursday 23 July, was again supported well by our Year 12 students along with other local school students. The Expo allows Year 12 students from the Macleay, Hastings and Camden Haven region to gather valuable career and study information. A broad range of universities, TAFE, private colleges, training organisations and defence force representatives took part in the Expo.

The event is designed to help students plan their post-school education and careers. Although a lot of information is now provided online the exhibitors still see the importance of meeting face to face with their potential clients. “The volume of career and study information online can be quite overwhelming, so the day provided an opportunity for students to do their research face to face,” said the Careers Adviser, Tony Dickenson. A number of the exhibitors commended students on the quality of the questions that indicated they had been researching and were well prepared for the day.

“It is fabulous to give Year 12 access to the kind of information they would normally only be exposed to university and institute open days,” said Tony Dickenson, the Careers Adviser at Camden Haven High School.
SCHOOLS RECOMMENDATION SCHEMES (SRS) 2015 - FOR YR12 STUDENTS

KEY DATES

**SRS applications open** - Wednesday 5 August 2015

**SRS applications close** - Midnight Wednesday 30 September 2015

**SRS Apply and SRS Check & Change are no longer available**

**End of November 2015** - ‘Pre-offer advice letter’ sent by most institutions to notify you of the status of your SRS application for your course preferences

**Midnight Monday 30 November 2015** - Applicants must have their preferred SRS course as their first preference

**Thursday 3 December 2015** - SRS unconditional and conditional offers are released

**Tuesday 5 January 2016** - Conditional offers are converted to unconditional offers for applicants meeting institution criteria

**Wednesday 20 January 2016** - SRS offers will also be made in this and subsequent rounds.

SRS is an early offer scheme – you could receive an offer before ATARs are released. Most institutions make offers which use criteria other than your ATAR.

An SRS application is free – you just need to apply through UAC for undergraduate admission in 2015–16 before you apply for SRS.

SPORT NEWS

YEAR 7 SOCCER

On Friday 31 July the Year 7 Camden Haven High Soccer team created history by winning the inaugural Hastings Cup. This was a round-robin competition contested between Wauchope High and Port Macquarie High at the Vince Inman Fields in Laurieton. The entire day had a fantastic atmosphere which was created by the Year 12 Sports Coaching class who helped set up ground facilities, the canteen and a BBQ for all players.

This great achievement witnessed the Year 7 team go through the entire competition undefeated with a 2-0 win over Port High in game one; a dominating 3-1 win over Wauchope High in Game Two; and a comprehensive 4-0 win over Port High in the final. The team displayed great teamwork, discipline and heart through all matches and represented CHHS with pride. It was a truly magnificent result; the future of soccer at our school is looking bright!

Ms Schmalkuche

BOYS TENNIS

On Thursday 30 July the open boy's tennis team played in the Regional final of the schools statewide knockout competition for the Stan Jones Trophy against Banora Point in Sawtell. The team consisted of Blake Hudson, Corey Clark, Lachlan Eames and Rhyan Hudson. Banora Point’s team played well, but were no match for the Camden Haven High School boys. Corey Clark and Blake Hudson won their singles 6-0, Lachlan Eames won his singles 6-1 and Rhyan Hudson put up a good fight, but was beaten in a tightly contested match 6-4. CHHS won both the doubles games 6-0. It was perfect weather for tennis despite the early morning shower. It was great to see the comradery and sportsmanship shown by both teams. The final result was CHHS 34 games to Banora Point 7 games. This victory places the team in the State Final which will be played in Shoalhaven on 2-3 September 2015.

Ms Schmalkuche

RUGBY LEAGUE REPORT

On Tuesday the 28 July, Camden Haven High School travelled and competed in the Hastings Harry Wells Shield for High Schools.

There were only three schools in the U/14s. CHHS beat Hastings Secondary College 24-0, but unfortunately then went down in the final 18-4 to Wauchope.

The U/16s was a surprise. The boys came out switched on and playing as a team. They won four out of four games on the day, beating Wauchope in the final 6-0. They also beat St Joseph's Regional College, MacKillop and Hastings Secondary College.

Overall it was a brilliant team performance exhibiting discipline, skills and a positive attitude. The boys represented themselves and the school with excellence.
**EVENTS SUPPORT AND INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES**

**Endeavour Games**  
**BELIEVE, ACHIEVE, SUCCEED**

17th of September, 2015  
Muswellbrook Olympic Park, Bell Street

To register, or to find out more please contact:

Sally Pereira - 0429 365 650 sally.pereira@ega.org.au  
Rebecca Curtis - 0447 387 944 rebecca.curtis@ega.org.au

Thanks

Disability Loop

Disability Loop is a way to find out more about the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS).

Through Disability Loop you can:

- Find a great selection of resources relating to the NDIS
- Find out how the NDIS is working for other people
  - Have your say about the NDIS
- Keep up to date with news and events about the NDIS

http://www.disabilityloop.org.au/about.html

**CHALLENGE MY REFLECTION ART COMPETITION**

Entries are now open!

This year’s competition is themed MY REFLECTION and is designed to encourage artist’s with disability to paint, draw, photograph or create whatever they dream!

For the official flyer, conditions of entry and entry form, which must be submitted with the entries, please click:

ABOUT THE NDIS-National Disability Insurance Scheme

What is the NDIS?

It is the National Disability Insurance Scheme. It’s a new way of supporting people with a permanent and significant disability. If your disability affects your ability to take part in everyday activities and you acquired it before the age of 65, the NDIS is almost certainly for you.

Where is the NDIS

NSW
- Hunter Region – for people already using specialist disability services. At any time anyone in the Hunter who is not currently using specialist disability services can ask to be assessed for access.
- People living in the Local Government Areas of Newcastle, Maitland and Lake Macquarie can access the Hunter area of the NDIS.
- The NDIS started in the Nepean Blue Mountains area on 1 July 2015 for children and young people aged 17 years and under.

How the full NDIS rollout will work from July 2016 is not yet known. The lessons learned from the trials will help sort out any teething problems and determine the nature of the full NDIS rollout.

How to check if you are eligible

Go to myaccesschecker.ndis.gov.au or ring 1800 800 110


BE READY, BE PREPARED
Useful websites

http://www.ndis.gov.au

This is the National Disability Insurance Scheme website. Here you will find information and access requirements for the NDIS.

http://www.everyaustraliancounts.com.au

HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

This website is very useful and should be investigated if you are planning to apply to the NDIS. Content includes, Getting Ready, creating your NDIS plan, preparing for your planning meeting, participants stories, resources and Frequently Asked Questions.

Locate the planning workbook which will help to prepare you or your student’s future.


- Click on Ability Links NSW Information Sheet to locate contacts and talk to a linker in your district who will help you through the NDIS process.

- Linkers work with people with disability, their families and carers to help them to plan for their future, build on their strengths and skills, and develop networks in their own communities to do what they want to do with their lives.


Disability Loop is a way to find out more about the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS). Through Disability Loop you can find a great selection of resources relating to the NDIS, find out how the NDIS is working for other people, have your say about the NDIS and keep up to date with news and events about the NDIS.


FACT SHEETS and FAQ:
*Can I get the NDIS?
*What should I know about plans?
*How do I manage funding?
*How do I make my plan come true?
*What if I am not happy?
This proposal for the delivery of 10227NAT Foundation Skills for Learner Drivers has been developed for clients of Disability Services Providers in Port Macquarie / Hastings Region. It will be delivered at North Coast TAFE’s Port Macquarie Campus.

**The Program**
This course is designed for people who require:
- literacy, numeracy and digital technology skills development to pass the NSW Driver Knowledge Test
- support and confidence to participate further in education.

On successful completion of this course, the learner should be able to pass the NSW Driver Knowledge Test.
There are no occupational outcomes, however when the driver licence has been attained, this will assist people to gain employment.

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**Eligibility for exemption**
- an Australian citizen, permanent resident or humanitarian visa holder, or New Zealand citizen; and
- aged 15 years or older; and
- no longer at school; and
- living or working in NSW

If you live and work in NSW and receive a Disability Support Pension, a Veteran’s Affairs Compensation Pension, or are assessed as having a long term condition, injury or disability you may be eligible for an exemption for a government subsidised place.

Further information
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