

Parent Newsletter

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2013 Issue 3 - Term 1 - Week 8

Friday 22nd March

UPCOMING EVENTS

Term 1- Week 9
Monday 25 March 2013
Yr 7Y Japanese - Task 2
Volleyball - Leumeah HS.
Debating - Elderslie HS.
Prefect Egg Hunt.
Musical set design.

Tuesday 26 March 2013
Yr 11 Biology - Task 1
Yr 8 History - Task 1
Yr 7A Japanese - Task 2
Yr 7I Japanese - Task 2
7R Japanese - Task 2
Yr 7D Music - Task 1
Biology Fieldwork Excursion - Bicentennial Park.
International Food Stall.
Creating Connections.

Wednesday 27 March 2013
Yr 7Y Music - Task 1
USyd Ag. and Enviro. Cobbity.
Rehearsal - Guys and Dolls.
World's Greatest Shave.

Thursday 28 March 2013
Yr 11 Economics - Task 1
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Yr 8 English - Task 1
Yr 7A Music - Task 1
Yr 7R Music - Task 1
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Touch Football Central Venue Day - Minto
Yr 12 English Oral Presentations
Boarding Students Travel Home.

Term 1- Week 10
Monday 1 April 2013
Boarding Students Return after 3PM

Tuesday 2 April 2013
Yr 12 Examinations Commence
Yr 11 Geography - Task 1
Yr 10 History - Task 1
Yr 7R Music - Task 1
Yr 10 Drama 100 hours - Task 1
Chess Tournament - Cabramatta HS.
Creating Connections.
World Autism Day.

Wednesday 3 April 2013
Yr 10 Drama 100 hours - Task 1
Bell Shakespeare Performance.
Rehearsal - Guys and Dolls.

Thursday 4 April 2013
Yr 8 Japanese - Task 2
Yr 9 Engineering Studies (Minor) - Task 1
Yr 9 Engineering Studies (Major) - Task 1
Yr 10 Graphics Technology - Task 1
Yr 8A Music - Task 1
Yr 8R Music - Task 1
Yr 8Y Music - Task 1
8R Japanese Excursion - Beverley Hills.

Friday 5 April 2013
Yr 9 English - Task 1
Yr 7A Japanese - Task 3
Yr 7I Japanese - Task 3
Yr 7R Japanese - Task 3
Yr 7DAI1 Technology Mandatory - Task 1
Yr 7DAI2 Technology Mandatory - Task 1
Yr 7DAI4 Technology Mandatory - Task 1
Yr 7RY5 Technology Mandatory - Task 1
Yr 7RY7 Technology Mandatory - Task 1
Yr 8I Music - Task 1
Legal Studies Excursion - Downing Centre.

Week 11
Monday 8 April 2013
Yr 10 Engineering Studies (Minor) - Task 1
Yr 9 IST (Minor) - Task 1
Yr 9 IST (Major) - Task 1



Principal's Report

Congratulations to the HAHS Rural Youth Camden Show team. Thank you to Mrs Sandra Hackett, Rural Youth coordinator and mathematics teacher, for providing the following report on the recent Camden show. In the Jersey ring, Georgia Bell lead Hurlstone Keeping Bright to 4th place in her class and David Webb lead Hurlstone Kutie Joy to 6th in her class. Hurlstone Lacey Bright was lead to 6th place by Michael Webb and Aimee Nguyen lead Hurlstone Latte Bright to 3rd place in her class. In the Ayrshire ring,

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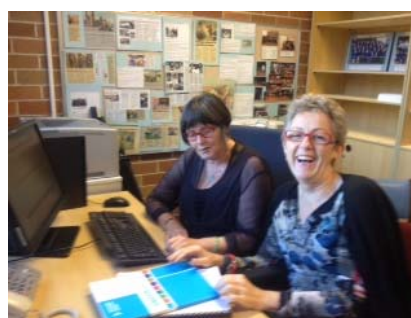


Emma Rice was placed third in the 15-18 years beef paraders competition on Saturday. Ethan Anderson, Laura Nesbitt and Anna Markey were successful in becoming finalists in this competition which recognises students' community and agricultural achievements and gives students the opportunity to experience Camden Show by being a part of it. Ethan, Anna and Laura assisted members of the Camden Show Committee in many different aspects of the show, including animal and cultural events. They were part of the Grand Parade and all received a swag of awards including Easter Show tickets, books and a plaque. Congratulations to all students and staff involved and especially to our Farm Manager Leeanne as well as Keegan and Brendan who has our animals in top condition for the show and provided great support on the day. Thank you to all of the parents who came to support the team on the day. All the hard work after school paid off at Camden Show, with Hurlstone students leading the way in these competitions.



At the recent P&C AGM meeting held 12th March, the 2013 executive emerged. Thank you to the parents who nominated and committed themselves to the valued roles over the next twelve months. The new executive members are: President – Rebecca La, 1st Vice President – Mark Latham, 2nd Vice President – Theresa Bui, Treasurer - Deb Twaddell and Secretary – Rosemary Paine. The following sub committees will be lead by: Canteen – Corinne Sneddon, Country Fair – Michael Dumlao & Mark Latham, International Club – Renu Pandey, Uniform shop – Steve Faulds, Ensemble – Michael Dumlao. I would like to thank again, the work and contribution of the 2012 P&C executive and sub-committee members under the leadership of Mr Phil Wall for a great year; their tireless efforts and support for the school was greatly appreciated.

Preparation for the implementation of the national curriculum is underway. Head Teacher, Teaching and Learning, Ms Jo Twomey (below left) is competently leading and supporting teachers in planning and programming for quality teaching using the K-10 Curriculum Framework and Board of Studies (BOS) resources. Ms Twomey is currently facilitating a series of executive and staff meetings designed to support staff in implementing the cross curriculum priorities and general capabilities, important learning for all students. It is expected all teachers will fully utilise the Term 2 school development days to create trial units of work and evaluate current programs and assessment tasks in light of the new curriculum documents. Pictured below right, Head Teacher English, Ms Ann Young (right), with the support of ESL consultant Patricia Paring (left), is keen to familiarise herself with BOS on- line curriculum tools and resources in preparation to lead her faculty on the school development days next term. In addition, Ms Young jointly lead a HSC marking workshop at HAHS with visiting Sefton HS English teachers sharing valuable HSC marking expertise amongst colleagues.



Along with the Deputy Principals Mr Nick Wenban and Mr Rob Craig, I am enjoying interviewing Year 12 students in response to a request from the prefect body for individual time with the senior executive. During the interviews, conversation is had about student goal setting in the academic, physical and psychological domains and is designed to ensure a balanced approach to their studies. There is opportunity for students to define their key challenges and shared discussion of ways to manage those challenges. The interview process will be repeated before the trial HSC. Feedback suggests students find this opportunity a valuable, often motivational experience.

Upcoming events: 20/3 Michael Aspinall (1986 graduate) here to develop an elite leadership program for students leaders; 21/3 Year 11 safe celebrating program; 25/3 SRC Induction; Principal's morning tea; 26/3 International food stall; 28/3 Year 12 half yearly exams commence, Visiting Turkish educators; Boarders leave for Easter break; 1/4 Boarders return after 3pm; 2/4 Advisory board meeting; 4/4 Visiting Chinese group; 6/4 Country fair meeting 1pm; 12/4 ANZAC Day service, Boarders leave (AM), End of term.

Wishing you all a very happy and safe Easter.

Kerrie Wratten

Year 7 and 8 Bin-Ball Competition

On the 28th of February, Years 7 and 8 took part in a Bin-Ball knockout competition. This was an Interact initiative, and our main aim was to raise funds for Stewart House - the NSW Schools Charity. We had nine classes participate (unfortunately, 8Y were on a Japanese excursion, and were unable to take part). It was evident that Years 7 and 8 were enjoying the day with loud cheers as the games were in play. There were ten Year 9 helpers, who refereed the games, as well as helped set up the courts in the morning.

As an Interact club, we had been planning this for over six weeks, and it was great to see everyone working together with most students participating as paying competitors. In the end, it turned out to be a classic rivalry between two groups, 7I and 8I. The scores started off as one all, but it was the Year 8s who bought it home with a final score of 3-1. It was decided that the winners would be rewarded with a class trophy, as well as a pizza party - so congratulations to 8I! I'd like to thank all of the Year 9 helpers, the Interact executives, all the Year 7 and 8 class teachers who supervised and most of all the main teachers in charge, Miss Ross and Mr Seblani, made sure the event was highly organised and overall fun! We raised a grand total of **\$379.85** for Stewart House. Well done to all participants!

- Archita Jaisimha (Year 9 Organiser)

Camden Show Report

DAIRY SHOW

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Ethan, Anna and Laura thoroughly enjoyed their experiences in this competition and would like to encourage more students to enter in the future.

Boarding School Information

Boarder Outings and Innings So Far in Term One

Y12 Movie outing - Django Unchained and dinner at Nando's

Y12 BBQ Inning

Y11 Dinner at Ribs and Rump

Y11 Boys Taco Night inning

Y10 Lazer tag and dinner at Macarthur Square

Y9 Lazer tag and dinner at Macarthur Square

Y7-9 Movie outing to see "Oz the Great and Powerful".

Y7-8 Rock Climbing Outing

Visitors to the Boarding School

Another reminder to parents and family members visiting the boarding school that they must go to the duty room first and sign in as a visitor. No parent may enter a dormitory block without doing this first.

Richard Purves will be on leave for the last three weeks of the term.

Uniform Shop Special Opening Day

The uniform shop will open on **Saturday 27 April 2013 from 10am to 1pm** for the sale of winter uniforms.

All students must wear their winter uniforms during Terms 2 and 3.

Year 10, 11 and 12 must also wear their blazer to and from school during these terms.



HURLSTONE AGRICULTURAL HIGH SCHOOL

We invite you to attend a community consultation meeting regarding the development of Hurlstone Agricultural High School's Farm and Boarding School facilities.

Location: Hurlstone Agricultural High School Library

Date: Tuesday 2nd April 2013

Time: 4pm

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