DON PAGE MP, MEMBER FOR BALLINA, VISITS AGRICULTURE STUDENTS

Don Page MP, Member for Ballina, visited the Agriculture section of Byron Bay High School on Monday 6th December. He presented a certificate to the school on behalf of the Environmental Trust-Eco Schools Program, which has provided $2,500 for the Agriculture students Aquaponics project. The Byron Bay High School P&C has also kindly supported this project with the funding of $1,000.

The overall objective of the Eco Schools Program is to support schools to develop best practice in environmental education and innovative solutions to environmental issues. Sustainable management of both the environment and food production systems are issues of vital importance to our Society. The Agriculture students of Byron Bay High School will be involved in the implementation of Aquaponics as a part of the whole school farm sustainable system. In this system fish in a tank supply nutrients to beds of plants, and the plants clean up the water that the fish live in. It is a low input system which conserves water.

Jenny Woodward, Agriculture Teacher

The Agriculture students gave Mr Page an inspiring tour of their School Agriculture section. They are pictured on the site where the Aquaponics unit will be installed.
HOSPITALITY - Food and Beverage

During Terms 3 and 4 Hospitality students undertook a mandatory 70 hours work placement at commercial premises ranging from Bangalow, Ocean Shores, Brunswick Heads, Ballina and Byron Bay.

It was at times physically demanding, however all had a positive experience.

Congratulations to the following Year 11 Hospitality students for their commitment and application.

- Kellie Bird
- Codie Butler
- Emily Coulthurst
- Jake Creevey
- Stephanie Gasbarrone (offered part-time employment at Rous Hotel, Ballina)
- Mikaela Hutchinson
- Freya Ingemar
- Caroline Loder (high praise from employer, Suffolk Park Hotel)
- Madeline Morgan (offered part-time work, Fresh, Byron Bay)
- Katie Pearson
- Hayley Robert
- Taya Vander Hagan
- Tsering Wardell (offered a Chef’s apprenticeship at Ocean Shores Bowling Club) and
- Grace Wilson

Jackie Fitzsummons, Hospitality Teacher

ALL MY OWN WORK (AMOW)

AMOW was a mandatory unit of work for all Year 10 students during Week 6 of this semester. AMOW consisted of five modules to complete on:

- Scholarship Principles and Practices
- Acknowledging Sources
- Plagiarism and Copyright

Congratulations to the following students in achieving a near perfect score:

- Kinto Behr
- Eleanor Blackstock
- Harry Dawson
- Hollie Johnson
- Amber Fairbairn
- Shannen McClymont
- Sulien Rigby
- Violet Rogers
- Felix Schofield
- Sianda Stringer
- Mathilda Tonkin
- Bethany White

Well done!

Jane Perry, Head Teacher TAS

Science Quiz Questions:
1. What organ in the body co-ordinates all the body’s functions?
2. What type of energy do all moving objects possess?
3. Which planet in the solar system has the most moons?
4. What chemical would you use to test a food for the presence of starch?
5. Which element is the most abundant in the Earth’s crust?
AUSTRALIAN JUNIOR SURFING TITLES - PHILLIP ISLAND

Byron Bay High extends congratulations to three young surfers who have achieved success at the highest level within Australia with their surfing at the Australian Junior Titles.

- **Kirsten Ogden** won the U’16’s girls individuals and also was a member of the winning U’16 school All Stars team.

- **Solamon Bailey** gained 3rd place in the U16’s boys individual titles

- **Tommy Boucaut** was a member of the winning U16’s boys All Stars school team.

Well done to the three of you !!!

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**Skateboard Storage**

There have been concerns in recent weeks about the security of skateboards left in the skateboard rack outside the administration block. Prior to this, students rarely, if ever, reported a skateboard being taken.

The current concerns are being investigated to see what changes could be implemented to address security issues. In the meantime can students and families be reminded that bringing skateboards to school is something they do at their own risk.

Peter King, Principal
STUDENTS HAVING A BIRTHDAY NEXT WEEK

Jaren Brown
Suni Dierk
Lucas Harding
Jack Nairne
Tollin Pamphilon
Violet Rogers
Annie Lewis
Grace Hamill
Jamaica Banker
Isaiah Spreckley
Craig Lawrence

HAPPY BIRTHDAY !!!

CANTEEN ROSTER

Thank you to all our volunteers for a great year. Hope you enjoyed the Christmas party - those of you that could make it.

No volunteers needed next week.

We would like to wish you all a very safe and happy Christmas. See you all next year!!

Science Quiz Answers:
1. Brain
2. Kinetic energy
3. Saturn
4. Iodine
5. Electrons