Principal’s Report

Dear Parents and Care Givers

I would like to invite all Year 7 parents and care givers to meet the Year 7 teachers on Thursday 3\textsuperscript{rd} March 2011. We will be holding an informal gathering with food and refreshments at the school Canteen area commencing at 5.30pm. Please bring a list of your child’s teachers so you can be sure to connect a face with a name. We look forward to meeting you on the night.

An information evening for next year's Year 7 students will be held at school on Thursday 10\textsuperscript{th} March from 7.00pm.

The first Parent Teacher evening for 2011 will be held in the Hall on Thursday 24\textsuperscript{th} March. Parents and care givers of all students are invited to attend to discuss their child’s progress in Term 1.

We are trialing sending the newsletter out every second week for Term 1. I would be interested to hear parent’s feedback directly about this.

Peter.p.king@det.nsw.edu.au

Here is an article from yesterday’s SMH - Teaching the Facebook Generation [http://www.smh.com.au/technology/technology-news/teaching-the-facebook-generation-20110227-1ba19.html](http://www.smh.com.au/technology/technology-news/teaching-the-facebook-generation-20110227-1ba19.html) and it makes reference to the Horizon Report, which is so interesting I will attach it to this newsletter.

Peter King
Principal

One of our own, Katherine Hicks, HSC 2000, has been nominated for a LOGIE in this year’s awards run by TV Week.

If you haven't already seen her on TV, turn to 'Rescue Special Ops.' on Channel 9. Her character's name is Heidi Wilson.

After doing exceptionally well in her Year 12 Drama, Katherine went on to study Acting at VCA and then to work in Melbourne and Sydney with Bell Shakespeare and a number of other major Theatre companies. She has also been in a number of feature films.

Google "Katherine Hicks" and you can read all about her.

Rob Owens, Drama Teacher
Congratulations to the following students who have made it through to North Coast level for swimming.

Toby Pauling  Tazi Murray-Woodhouse  Ruby Koutsoubos
Kirsten Ogden  Kisane Irwin  Alex Barnes
Sienna Stewart  Tegan Nelson-Chapman  Jasmine Nelson-Chapman
Lorne Greenlaw  Matt Ogden  Jacob Ogden
Cameron Green  Davis Jensen

Stay tuned for more details as we receive them.

Well done to all !!

From the Mathematics Department …..

Assessments
Classes are nearing the end of their first topic in mathematics. Students will be having their first assessments for 2011.
Year 7 and Year 8 students will have a year based common task which will be attempted by all students. In years 9 and 10 the tasks will be done in a way which targets each level of learning. Tasks will be called 5.3, 5.2 and 5.1 to fit with the standard reached by students in the various levels.

HOTmaths
Student logins and passwords have arrived and I am now able to start having students access this tutorial program. The company has also allowed me to generate usernames and passwords so as soon as you pay I can have you logged on. They did apologise for the delay.

Calculators
I have raised this issue in the last few newsletters but still students come to class without a calculator. These are available for $24 from the school office. Most assessment tasks will require students to have access and we only have a limited number to loan students in emergency situations.

Quiz Questions (answers next week)
(1) 30 divided by a half
(2) the size of 2 football fields
(3) maximum number of pieces possible by cutting a cake with 4 straight cuts
(4) first 6 numbers in Fibonacci sequence

Mr Chris Mills
Head Teacher Mathematics
STUDENT BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday to the following students who have recently celebrated or are celebrating their birthdays this week.

Oscar Innes       Tamlin Purnell       Eli Sthapit       Tai Bui       Kain Wilson       Tane Meek
Francesca Horschmann-Rhoades       Kaspar Campbell       Katherine Grady       Adam Ryan
Smylie Thompson       Lowarna St Alder       Theotime Pinon       Samuel King       Mitchell Barnes
Justine Boyle       Georgia Brewer-Smith       Zoe Free       Tenita Campton-Carbello
Matthew Dillon       Bennett Jack       Emy Leonard-Dyer       Rachel Mahoney       Cassius Russell
Sequoya Rawson-Smith       Kinto Behr       Alisha Malone       Will Dale
Logan Grant       Amber Malatt-Agic       Bindhi Gaze       Eva Judell
Pascal Moser       Reade Oliver       Luke Chaplin       Kelly Gardiner
Jessica Biber-McKinlay       Ursula Murphy       Rhani Speed
Indya Williams       Catherine Bowler       Jade Campbell       Breeanna Hill
Taylor Kempnich       Joala Roalfe       Mia Robertson       Indica Rali-Brennan
Xanthorrhoea West       Jahri Ettridge       Sienna Cleland-Johnson
Kimberlee Giles

YEAR 11 SPORT, LIFESTYLE AND RECREATION

Year 11 Sport, Lifestyle and Recreation students in action at Boot Camp last Wednesday morning, a beautiful “tough” start to the day.

North Coast Volleyball

Congratulations to
Jack White

on his selection in the North Coast Volleyball Team.

Jack will now travel to Tamworth to play in the NSW Combined High Schools titles.

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Year 10 - Meebunn-bia Outdoor Adventure Camp
Rathdowney, Qld.; www.meebunnbia.com.au

Tuesday 16th - Friday 19th August 2011 (Week 5, Term 3)

Cost: $360 (includes all food, camp fees and bus travel)

Meebunn-bia’s programs encourage young people to take responsibility for themselves and others in a simplistic bush setting.

This is an outdoor experience. Students will be expected to organise their own shelters using materials provided and will be responsible for all duties including setting up and breaking camp, cooking, cleaning, etc.

Teamwork, Adventure, Leadership, Challenge (by choice), Responsibility, Co-operation, Having Fun, Support, Decision making, Enjoyment and Appreciation of nature are some of the many benefits of the program.

An equipment list is supplied with the permission note. Plan to borrow or buy a very warm sleeping bag and a thin foam ‘yoga’ mat.

Travel: Bus departs Byron Bay High School at 7.30 am Tuesday 16th August
Bus returns to Byron Bay High School at 5.00 pm Friday 19th August

Cost: $360
- $60.00 non-refundable deposit by 18th March 2011 - with permission note
- 3 x $100 instalments due on: 20th May, 24th June and 29th July

You may wish to pay any or all of the above amounts earlier.

We strongly encourage you to find the means to support your student in this program. Lessons will be as normal at school for those not attending.

A representative from Meebunn-bia will come to the school to discuss the program in more detail. Please do not hesitate to phone if you have any questions.

Permission notes available from Mr Graham, Year 10 Adviser.

UNIVERSITY SHOWCASE
Friday 4th March
9.00 am - 10.15 am in the MPC

Year 12 Compulsory Attendance

PARENTS WELCOME

Short talks followed by a marketplace of Northern NSW and Queensland Universities. Representatives on hand to answer questions.
## TENDER ITEMS FROM THE INDUSTRIAL ARTS DEPARTMENT

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| TOOLMAC Model No 94-533817 | Table six 1 meter x .08 metre  
                           | Easy glide fence  
                           | Many other features |
| ENGINE CRANE          | 2 tonne capacity  
                           | Adjustable boom  
                           | High load steel casters  
                           | Near new condition |
| ENGINE STAND          | Suitable for vehicle/light truck  
                           | Adjustable mounts  
                           | Near new condition |

For more information on the above items, please see, or phone, Gary Barnes in the Industrial Arts Department. Bring your tender to the Front Office in a sealed envelope. All tenders will be handled according to the School Manual on Financial Management.

**TENDERS CLOSE on FRIDAY 11 MARCH 2011.**

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## SCHOOL CALENDAR - Term 1

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| 3rd March  | Year 7 Meeting - Teachers  
             | Far North Coast Rugby League, Kingscliff |  
| 8th March  | Far North Coast Rugby Union, Kingscliff |
| 9th March  | North Coast Swimming, Banora Point |
| 10th March | Year 6 - 7 Information Evening |
| 11th March | North Coast Touch Football, Coffs Harbour |
| 15th March | P & C Meeting |
| 17th March | Far North Coast Soccer, Tweed Heads |
| 18th March | North Coast CHS AFL, Bangalow/Ballina |
| 21st March | North Coast Basketball, Coffs Harbour |
| 22nd March | School Vaccinations |
| 23rd March | North Coast Rugby League, Bellingen |
| 24th April | NSW CHS Swimming, Homebush |
| 28th March - 8th April | Year 12 Half-Yearly Examination |
| 29th March | North Coast Golf, Yamba |
| 30th March | North Coast Rugby Union, Cudgen |
| 31st March | North Coast Hockey, Goonengerry & Murwillumbah |
| 1st April  | North Coast Soccer, Yamba |
| 8th April  | Last Day of Term 1 |

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**Autism Spectrum Disorder Parent Support Group Meeting**

**Date:** Friday 4th March 2011  
**Venue:** Mullumbimby Community Health (Mullumbimby Hospital)  
**Time:** 9.45-12.00

*For further details contact:*

Joy McGrath,  
Child & Family Counsellor  
6684 1677

OR

Gayle Moore,  
Support Teacher Autism  
6685 1204
NEWS FROM THE COMMUNITY LIAISON OFFICER …..

Who do you contact if you have concerns about your child’s progress or welfare?  

Year Advisers
The first step is usually to contact your child’s Year Adviser. This person keeps a close eye on their ‘flock’ and gets to know many of their year group as they move through the year levels with them. They are able to collect appraisals of your child’s progress from their teachers and pass this information on to you.

Contact through the school office on 6685 8188 or by email byronbay-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Year 7  -  Mr Warren Lee.  Mr Lee is also a HSIE teacher.
Year 8  -  Mrs Maree Buchanan.  Mrs Buchanan is also a PDHPE teacher.
Year 9  -  Ms Sally Miller.  Ms Miller is also a HSIE teacher.
Year 10  -  Mr George Graham.  Mr Graham is the Careers Adviser.
Year 11  -  Mr Peter Gallaway.  Mr Gallaway is also Head Teacher of PDHPE.
Year 12  -  Mrs Shirley Graham.  Mrs Graham is also a Science teacher.

Deputy Principals
If you still require more information, your child’s Deputy Principal is there to help you.
In 2011 Ms Donna Pearson is the Deputy for Years 7, 9, and 11. Mr Warrick Simmons is the Deputy for Years 8, 10 and 12. Both Deputies stay with their years, so Ms Pearson, for example, will in 2012 be responsible for Years 8, 10 and 12.
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Community Liaison Officer
I am here at the school 2 days per week on Tuesdays and Fridays and can certainly pass on any query for you to the appropriate person. As a parent, I know that despite the explanation of roles above, it can still be a little confusing as to who can best assist you. Feel free to contact me at the school by phone, or when/if you drop off your child, or by email amanda.hallinan@det.nsw.edu.au

Help us keep your contact details up to date!
Be sure to contact the school office if:
- you change your email
- you no longer want to receive school newsletters
- you haven’t received newsletters for a little while – this may mean that your emails have bounced more than once and the school has deleted your email address

Lunch box safety
During these hotter months, here are some tips to reduce the risk of food poisoning
- Use insulated lunch boxes or cooler bags.
- Keep a frozen drink or freezer brick inside the lunch box or bag.
- If you’re making lunches the night before, store them in the fridge until leaving for school.
- Ask your child to store their lunch in a cool, dark place like a locker - not in direct sunlight
It is particularly important to keep meat or chicken sandwiches cool.


Amanda Hallinan, Community Liaison Officer (CLO)
If you need to contact the Canteen for any reason, please ring Margaret or Robyn on 6685 5381.

Wed. 2nd March: Sonya Wright, Sherry Cooper, Sue Christian
Thurs. 3rd March: Jocelyn Pegoretti, Karen Hagley
Fri. 4th March: Bronwyn Watt, Sandi Banister, Wendy Beckers
Mon. 7th March: Lynette Tyrell, Michelle Conners, Frances Legg-Bagg
Tues. 8th March: Michelle Lamb, Pam Sandiford, Katherine Kelly
Wed. 9th March: Sonya Wright, Kay Sandon
Thurs. 10th March: Bahati, Lynda Ducasse
Fri. 11th March: Joanne Walsh, Trish Passanitti
Mon. 14th March: Melissa Ashworth, Gail Christie
Tues. 15th March: Gina Kellar, Jo Hinton