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Term 4 Week 5 2nd November 2015

Final Week of HSC
The HSC examinations for this week are Geography and Visual Arts. Art is the final HSC examination for the year, so we expect to hear sighs of relief all around us as the week goes on.

Students who have completed all their examinations can get a sign-out form that they then take to all their teachers. It is very important that they remember to bring back all the textbooks they have used this year – the current year students 11/12 are waiting for these books for their own study.

HSC Appeals
All HSC Appeals for consideration under Sickness or Misadventure must be forwarded by the school to BOSTES by Monday next week. I have had a number of students collect the forms over the past few weeks; I have explained to them what they need to do to complete them. I am required to write a statement on each of these applications and sign them before they can be sent to BOSTES, so it is very important that students return the forms to me in time to have the supporting statement written. I will be out of the school on Friday this week and have asked students to ensure their application comes in by Wednesday.

I am also preparing an appeal for all of our HSC students to cover the period of dislocation caused by the floods in April. I am very aware that for some students this has been a very lengthy period – not just the weeks around the time of the floods. Students who have experienced ongoing problems will be writing individual appeals, which will be strongly supported. The general appeal is because all of our students were affected to some degree in their focus and concentration, continuity of study and level of emotional distress by the floods and the two tragedies that occurred at the same period.

I would like to thank Dungog Shire Mayor, Mr Harold Johnston, for providing a supporting statement for all our students concerning the effect of the floods on the community. I would also like to thank Janelle O’Neil and the Dungog Chronicle staff for providing copies of the articles and photographs from that period, strong supporting evidence for all of the appeals.

Year 10 examinations and the rules about leaving school
Year 10 will also be sitting their end of year examinations this week. In past years – and this is getting further into the distance with each year that passes – year 10 was considered an ending point of schooling with many students leaving soon after their examinations.

The changes to the School Leaving Age and the new School Attendance rules mean that the expectation for year 10 students is that they are at school for the remainder of the school year. Any absences that are not within DE guidelines must be recorded by the school as unjustified. If no information is received by the school within 7 days to explain the absence and note that it is within the guidelines, the “unjustified” has to remain on the student’s record of attendance.

Peer Support Camp
Congratulations to all the year 9 and 10 students who will be taking part in the Peer Support camp later this week. These students have been selected to become student mentors for the incoming year 7 students in 2016.

From the Office:

➢ Want to make a payment?
Parents Online Payments
Go to the schools website, http://www.dungog-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/ and the $ Make a Payment link will be on the front page. By selecting the link you will be taken to a secure Westpac Quickweb payment page.
There is an instruction manual on the website http://www.dungog-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/our-school/schooling-costs

Please cease depositing directly into the school’s bank account.

➢ Parent Portal (Sentral)
Sentral’s parent portal provides parents with 24/7 access to important information about their child/children.
To use the Parent portal, you will need to register as a parent user. Each parent has been sent a letter from the school by Mr Curran, our Sentral Coordinator, explaining this simple process and providing you with a unique access code. You cannot register without this code. If you did not receive a letter, or if you lose your registration access code, you can contact the school for a new one.
You will be able to register for the Parent Portal at any time after receiving the letter.

➢ Student Letterbox
To save students lining up and waiting to hand in notes or pay for excursions, fees, etc we have started a new system with a ‘Student Letterbox’. Students can drop the following in the Letterbox:
• permission notes,
• absence notes,
• correct monies with permission note in a sealed envelope, and
• early leaver requests – (note all Thursday early leaver requests must FIRST be signed by the Deputy).
If a student does need change or/and a receipt to take home they will need to stay in line, or come back later to collect it.
At the camp, our students will learn about leadership, mentoring and working as part of a team. They will meet the year 7 students at the Orientation Days next month and put their learning to good use.

Thanks to Mr Francey and his team for organising and managing this important school program.

Maureen Jarvis

**Student Achiever of the Week Award**

**This week’s recipient is:** William Hickey  Year: 11

William has been a diligent student in English and has worked hard to improve. William is also a valued member of the school community due to his expertise in IT, often assisting staff with computer issues in his own time. William is to be congratulated for his willingness to help others.

William will receive a certificate and $25 voucher.

**CAREERS NEWS**

**2015 HSC Assessment Rank Order Notices**

2015 HSC students will be able to access their assessment rank order notices from 5.00pm on Wednesday 4 November via their secure personal account in BOSTES>Students Online >My Details> Assessment Rank.

Those unable to login to Students Online should phone 1300 13 83 23 for assistance.

Students should check their rank order for each of their courses. If they have any questions or believe that an error has been made, they should contact their school.

**YEAR 10 WORK EXPERIENCE**

Year 10 students have a second opportunity to undertake Work Experience when they have completed their exams and all other required work at school.

The same conditions apply as in Term 2 - select & contact an employer; collect and complete paperwork and return to Ms Smith. Students who want to undertake work in the Construction industry will need a White Card.

**ROTARY CLUB of DUNGOG**

Two major Youth events happened last week that the local rotary club would like to report on.

Firstly we had the annual primary school’s public speaking competition which was held at the Dungog High School on Monday the 19th October and was catered for by the year 11 Hospitality class who provided a wonderful meal and we would like to express our thanks to all the students and staff for their help.

The public speaking was a great event and we were entertained by four wonderful young speakers from three of the eight primary feeder school’s to Dungog High.

Speakers were from Dungog Primary Jessica Olson who spoke on school spectacular, Raffaellu Francisci On Rotary, Eleanor Ince from Stroud on Education and Connor McCumstie from Seaham.

All the students speech topics were of their own choosing but must have related to the Rotary four way test. All four of the students spoke extremely well and should be very proud of their efforts. However there can be only one winner and we congratulate Connor McCumstie from Seaham who presented a very entertaining talk on school lunches. Connor won a cheque from the Club for $200 to present to his school.

The adjudicators Alan Mitchell, Denise McKinna and Kathryn Abbot were full of praise for all four speakers.

On Wednesday the 21st of October the Support Class went to Newcastle Panthers to participate in the annual IOTAS concert and year 12 Graduation. This is an event where the eighteen support classes from the Hunter region come together to celebrate the graduation of the year 12 students in the area.

Schools attended from Newcastle (Middle & Senior schools), Cardiff, Lakeside, Northlakes, Hunter River, Callaghan Campus, Maitland, Glendale, Belmont, Francis Greenway, Singleton, Kurri Kurri, Muswellbrook, Irrawang, Cessnock, Merewether and Dungog. This year Dungog High school put on a circus performance. The students were fantastic and performed brilliantly on stage.

**Uniform Shop Manager Position**

This position will be available from the start of 2016.

The Manager is responsible for:
- Opening and closing
- Ordering stock
- Managing the proceeds of sales
- Liaising with Daylight Sportswear company and DHS
- Other responsibilities as required by Daylight and DHS

Position description:
- Hours of business - alternate Tuesdays 8am to 4pm; additional times e.g. start of summer and winter seasons, orientation days
- Banking of monies
- Managing stock levels
- Salary is paid by Daylight

Application for the position is by presentation of CV to Principal, DHS, at close of business on Wednesday 11th November 2015.
This year four Dungog High students graduated and were resplendent in their Dungog High School uniforms as they walked out on stage to accept their certificates.

The Rotary club of Dungog would like to congratulate Nicholas Flynn, Samantha O’Grady, Nathan Rumbel and Ryan Rumbel and wish them all the very best in their future endeavours.

John Walton our youth Director in the Club Said. This event is open to the public and I would highly recommend that you go along and have a look.

Movember News – And the winner is???

Mr Francey and Mr Corcoran would like to thank all of you wonderful people who donated to support this worthwhile cause. Mr Corcoran is now under pressure to grow a stylish tash after the students/teachers raised more than the $50 minimum he required to grow a Mo(302,284),(389,344)…

The Movember campaign is about bringing the moustache back, having fun, creating connections, generating funds and raising awareness for men’s health.

You can join the cause by signing on to the DungHighMo’s team or donate directly at; http://moteam.co/dunghighmo- or http://mobro.co/1541036

MOVEMBER CAMPAIGN – THE WINNER??

Support Dungog High Volleyball
BBQ Fundraiser
14/11/2015

Come along and buy a Sausage
at Bunnings Maitland
November 14

**SOME CALENDAR DATES FOR Term 4**

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DUNGOG HIGH SCHOOL CANTEEN

Roster

**Week 5: 2nd to 6th November**

| Mon  | C Butler, F Hack |
| Tues | G Edwards, C Everett, S Hooke, L Kearney |
| Wed  | H Williams, P Williams, S Hitchens, N Robinson |
| Thurs | L Tull, M Ince |
| Fri  | S Crouch, R Kirkby, J Ross |

**Week 6 : 9th to 13th November**

| Mon  | P Garrett, J Hipwell |
| Tues | J Kellner, A Moss, N Paterson, J Huntress |
| Wed  | C Wheeler, L Lovegrove, |
| Thurs | J Czaplewski, R Rolfe, K Flannery |
| Fri  | D Marquet, L Dries, L McInnes, M Townsend |

Due to the change in the structure of the school day could Canteen helpers please be here by 9.30am. If you are unable to be here by that time could you please let Margaret Edwards know, by phoning the school on 49923022.
Dear Friends and Supporters of the James Theatre,

There’s only a few weeks to Christmas, but the entertainment at the James Theatre continues through, with a couple of special additions to our film program.

Pillow Talk Thursday, 5 November, 9.45am for 10.30 am and 7 pm
The Martian (M) Saturday, 7 November, 4pm and 7 pm
The Nightingale (G) Sunday, 15 November, 7 pm
Bridge of Spies (M) Saturday, 21 November, 7 pm
The Dressmaker (M) Saturday, 28 November, 4 pm and 7 pm
Macbeth (MA15+) Sunday, 13 December, 7 pm

In their first romantic comedy together, Doris Day and Rock Hudson star in Pillow Talk as an uptight interior decorator and an amorous playboy who are forced to share a party line. Directed by Michael Gordon, and also starring Tony Randall and Thelma Ritter, Pillow Talk remains today what it was when released in 1959 – a timeless gem of romantic comedy. There are day and night screenings of this Hollywood classic. As a special treat, both the morning and evening sessions will be introduced by the President of the Australian Doris Day Society, Mr Alan Moore, who will talk about the film, and the career and life of Miss Doris Day. This coming Thursday 5th, at 9.45am for a 10.30am start, and 7pm.

Smart, thrilling, and funny, The Martian offers a faithful adaptation of the bestselling novel by Andy Weir about an astronaut stranded on the Red Planet. This high octane space adventure brings out the best in leading man Matt Damon and sci-fi master director Ridley Scott. Everyone is talking about this film, see it on Saturday 7 November, at 4pm and 7pm.

The Nightingale is the beautiful story of an old Chinese farmer living alone in Beijing, who sets out on a long journey with his spoiled granddaughter to honour the promise he made his late wife to take back the bird that is now his only companion in the city. A sweet film about bridging the generation gap, by French director Philippe Muyl, The Nightingale was China’s official entry in the 2014 Oscars. Part of the Dungog Film Society 2015 program, it screens at 7pm on Sunday November 15.

In Bridge of Spies, Tom Hanks stars as the American lawyer recruited by the CIA on a near-impossible mission to negotiate the release of a captured U-2 pilot shot down over Russia at the height of the Cold War. This much anticipated historical drama from DreamWorks Studios marks the return of Steven Spielberg to the director’s chair. One screening only, on Saturday November 21 at 7pm.

The Dressmaker is the story of glamorous femme fatale Tilly (Kate Winslet) who returns to her home town in the bush after many years in Europe to right the wrongs of the past. With her sewing machine and high style, she transforms the women of her small town and exacts sweet revenge on those who did her wrong. Directed by Jocelyn Moorhouse (Proof, How to make an American Quilt) it has a stellar Australian cast including Liam Hemsworth, Hugo Weaving, Judy Davis and Sarah Snook. See it at both 4pm and 7pm on Saturday 28 November.

And in December we’ll have a special screening of the modern masterpiece Macbeth, from the director of Snowtown, Australian director Justin Kurzel. This critically acclaimed adaptation of William Shakespeare’s play stars Michael Fassbender and Marion Cotillard. This is a special bonus for Dungog Film Society subscribers – it’s been a good year, so this film is only $10, if you’ve hung on to your subscription pass. (Others welcome to see this classic at the normal price of $12). It screens at 7pm on Sunday 13 December. And if you’ve been volunteering or supporting the James Theatre during the year, watch out for details of a thank you barbecue before the film.

For any other details, go to our website. www.jamestheatre.com.au
See you at the James.