



VINCENTIA VIBE - THE VOICE OF OUR SCHOOL Term 4 wk 4b 2011

DEAR PARENTS & STUDENTS

The rain has come again making for another wet sports day. Thank you to the majority of students who continue to wear full uniform in these trying conditions. It looks great.

Our girls rugby team strutted their stuff on Monday and were great in their enthusiasm, sportsmanship and effort, well done girls.

Exam time has well and truly commenced for most year groups and year 10 School Certificate exams begin next week. Good luck to year 10.

Mr S Glenday
Principal

KLA - ENGLISH

Term 4 is a very busy time for the English faculty. Year 12 students have completed their HSC examinations for English, with students feeling confident that they will achieve excellent results. The English faculty also felt that the HSC examinations were fairly straightforward allowing students the opportunity to showcase their knowledge and understanding. We wish HSC students every success for their future endeavours.

Year 11 Students have begun their HSC studies with all classes well under way with their Area of Study Belonging. Both Standard and Advanced students will explore the concept of belonging and the way it affects our perceptions of ourselves and our world. Students will be intensively studying a range of prescribed and supplementary texts, and will complete an assessment task later in the term. A number of Year 11 students have also commenced studies in Extension 1 and 2 English.

Year 10 students have been working steadily towards their School Certificate. English

students have been completing practise papers and undergoing a range of School Certificate preparation activities to assist students preparation for these important examinations. We wish all Year 10 students the best of luck for their School Certificate examinations.

Junior students have been involved in a range of activities. Year 7 students are fully immersed in their "Scary Things" unit in time for Halloween. Year 8 students are currently studying visual literacy, with classes investigating a range of picture books, and creating a few of their own. Year 9 students are also engaged in a range of activities, with a number of classes studying Romeo and Juliet. All 7-9 students have examinations and assessment tasks in the coming weeks.

The English faculty has also begun to develop a number of extra-curricular activities. There are a number of film production competitions open to our students, and there has been some fantastic interest in entering these competitions. Tropfest, Flickerfest, and Reel Australia along with a number of their competitions are available for budding film makers. Students are encouraged to see Miss Robson if they are interested in entering these competitions or needs assistance with their films.

Overall, it is great to see so many of our students engaged in a range of activities and enjoying their teaching and learning in English at a very busy time of the year.

Ms Robson
HT English

P & C NEWS

Our next P & C meeting will be on Thursday 24th November, 2011 at 7.30pm. Please come along and join us in the staff common room.

Details of general business to be discussed are to

YOUR SCHOOL CONTACTS

S. Glenday	Principal
A. Voysey	Ganya Garindja, Gumbari & Support Units Deputy Principal
P. Hogan	Deputy Principal Stage 4 (Yrs 7 & 8)
T. Lane	Deputy Principal Stage 5 (Yrs 9 & 10)
P. Taylor	Deputy Principal Stage 6 (Yrs 11 & 12)
F. Bachmann	Head Teacher PDHPE
A. Bootsma	Head Teacher Admin
G. Brady	Head Teacher Science
S. Clark	Head Teacher Support
J. Connell	School Administration Manager
S. Corbett	Head Teacher HSIE
J. Scott	Head Teacher Gumbari Unit
K. Edwards	Sports Co-ordinator
J. Irvine	Head Teacher Seniors
K. Lane	Head Teacher Ganya Garindja Unit
M. Meehan	Head Teacher Yr 8
P. Raftery	Head Teacher Yr 7
L. Ryder	Head Teacher CAPA
G. Smith	Head Teacher Mathematics
R. Robson	Head Teacher English
J. Warren	Head Teacher Welfare
G. Worthy	Head Teacher TAS
A. Glenday	Head Teacher STLA

LEADERSHIP AND SOCIAL ENGAGEMENT CONTACTS

J. Lamond	Year 7 Adviser
M. Tebbitt	Year 7 Adviser
H. Barker	Year 8 Adviser
S. Brunswick	Year 9 Adviser
A. Newton	Year 10 Adviser
J. Revesz	Year 11 Adviser
F. Loupos	Year 12 Adviser

be provided to the P & C Secretary, Mrs Melinda Creamer on 0423 856 229 at least 24 hours prior to the meeting, enabling inclusion in the agenda. Minutes of all P & C meetings are located in a folder at the front office for viewing or on our web page.

PUBLICITY NEWS

SRC News

The Vincentia High School SRC have elected their 2012 team.

The senior SRC leadership team includes Sam Fiez, Jess Booth, Jayne Cooper, Luke

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT VHS WEEK 4

HSC EXAMS CONTINUE

YRS 7 - 9 ASSESSMENT WEEK

BRICKLAYING - STEPOUT WEEK

Wed 2 Nov

- ▶ Yr 7 Vaccinations - Ms McIntyre
- ▶ Community Access-Ms Goerlach
- ▶ Disability Trust Gym & Swim-Ms Leaver
- ▶ Yr 11 Parent/Teacher Interviews in Hall 4pm

Thu 3 Nov

- ▶ Yrs 7 & 9 only Exams in Hall
- ▶ Support Learning to Sail - Ms Clark

- ▶ Mens Shed Visit-Ms Warren
- Fri 4 Nov
- ▶ Yrs 7 & 9 only Exams in Hall
 - ▶ Peace Prize Presentation in Sydney-Ms Verdugo
 - ▶ Young Leaders Forum - Ms Cunningham

WEEK 5

SCHOOL CERTIFICATE EXAMS

JUNIOR ASSESSMENT WEEK

Mon 7 Nov

- ▶ Gumbari Men's Shed Workshop visit-Mr Mason

Tue 8 Nov

- ▶ Primary School Debating Transition - Mr Newton
 - ▶ Gumbari Transition to Work-Mr Mason
- Wed 9 Nov
- ▶ Gumbari Community Outings-Mr Asbury & Ms Goerlach
 - ▶ Yr 7 Team Bonding HMAS Creswell Mr Reid & Ms Morris

Thu 10 Nov

- ▶ Mens Shed Visit-Ms Warren
- ▶ Yrs 7 & 9 only Exams in Hall
- ▶ Support Learning to Sail - Ms Clark

Fri 11 Nov

- ▶ Yr 12 Formal in Hall @ 6pm

Harden, Bronte Axam and Angus Craig.

The senior leadership team recently attended the Gilmore Youth Leadership Forum (GYLF), which inspired, encouraged and motivated the students to improve our school. They look forward to implementing our newly learnt skills within our school's SRC.

The SRC Induction Ceremony will be held on Tuesday 22nd of November. (week 7)

The SRC Development day will be held at Greenfields Beach on Monday 14th November (Week 6). This day will enable students to become confident and helpful leaders and help enrich the SRC prosper for 2012.

The SRC have been kept very busy running the Breakfast Club on Monday and Wednesday 7.30am in the hall kitchen. Anyone interested in volunteering to help please see Jessica Booth.

inVEST - Vincentia Employment Skills Training

With the school leaving age now 17 years, inVEST aims to connect Year 11 Vincentia High School students with local employers to help develop related skills

for their transition into the work force.

A students week would consist of 3 elements:

1 day TAFE Cert 2 Outdoor Education

1 day Work placement

3 days School attendance English, Math, Work studies and Building and Construction.

There was an overwhelming attendance by the local business community at our Inaugural afternoon tea held Tuesday 18th October in the performance space .

The support shown was very positive and we look forward to sharing more details with you over the coming weeks. Should you be interested in this programme from a parent of prospective business, please contact our newly appointed community Liaison Officer Mrs Ali Taylor on 44 416 766.

A big thank you goes to Mrs McIntyre, Ms Boyce and the Year 11 hospitality students for catering this event – great job!

Mrs J Moffatt
Publicity Officer

STUDENT LAPTOP NEWS

New Laptops 2012

Here is a sneak peek of the new Laptop for Year 9, 2012

They will be silver in colour. Features will be extra padding on the Laptop lids and will include an extra 2 gig of ram. Delivery is for very early in Term 1, next year. More details soon.



Please send any questions or comments to:

Email: matthew.devlin2@det.nsw.edu.au or phone 4441 6766

Matthew Devlin

Technical Support Officer

ESSENTIAL SCIENCE SKILLS ASSESSMENT (ESSA)

The ESSA is a test to be taken by most students in Year 8 across New South Wales. It tests the development of their Science skills and knowledge. It will take place on Tuesday November 22.

The test will be conducted on a computer on-line. Students will not need paper or pens to undertake the test. However, each student will need a set of headphones or earbuds that will plug into the school computer. Earbuds from an iPod or portable player are suitable.

If your child has a disability that entitles them to exemption from the test or that entitles them to special consideration, please complete the appropriate attached form and return it to the school.

A letter from the Department of Education and Community outlining the scope and nature of the test has been sent home with Year 8 students to inform parents about the test.

Any enquiries contact Gary Brady in the Science faculty

Shoalhaven Heads Public School

150th Birthday Party

Saturday 26th November, 12-5pm

Laser Skirmish

Giant Auction &
Chocolate Wheel

Historical Displays
& Memorabilia

Side Show Alley

Novelty Races

Sausage Sizzle

Face Painting

Live Music & Performances

SLSC, SES, RFS &
Police displays

Inflatable Castles, Water
Slide & Obstacle Course

Craft, Edible Garden &
Market Stalls

Coffee, Cakes &
Devonshire Teas

Noah's Ark Centre 30th Birthday Celebrations

To Families, Staff and Supporters
Past and Present

We would like to invite you to a special lunch to
thank all our supporters and to help us celebrate
our 30th Birthday.

Noah's Ark Centre of Shoalhaven Inc

WHEN: Saturday 12 November 2011

WHERE: Noah's Ark Centre
41 Worrigege Street, Nowra

TIME: 11am to 2pm

RSVP: Cindy Griffiths—4423 5022

cgriffiths@noahsark.nsw.edu.au

Friday 4 November 2011

EVERYONE WELCOME



Wristbands allowing unlimited goes on the Inflatable attractions and the Laser Skirmish are available to pre-purchase for \$20 (only \$10 for each additional sibling or parent) from the School (available on the day for \$25).

For more information, to view the auction catalogue or purchase a wristband, commemorative wine, booklet or tea towel, please contact the School Office or visit the School website.

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