

Vincentia Vibe - The voice of our School

Term 4 Week 6

14th November, 2012

News from the Support Unit:

At the end of term 2, 2012 the Support Unit at Vincentia High School was fortunate to have a local author, Maree Teychenne, donate a copy of her first book 'My Aunt Ate a Plate' to each student. The staff saw this book as an invaluable teaching tool and prepared a program that accompanied the book, integrating it into their English program for term 3.

Maree has since returned to the Support Unit on two occasions, for feedback and to share her next book with us. While she was here the Support Unit shared their own stories with Maree receiving valuable feedback.

The partnership between Maree and the Support Unit has been a collaborative one in that the Unit has been asked to complete an Education Program to accompany her next book.

We as a school would sincerely like to thank Maree for providing the students with this wonderful new learning experience.

Meaghan Goerlach

Support Unit Teacher



Support Unit students and teachers
with Maree Teychenne (Author)



Brent Harvey working with Maree Teychenne (Author)

Yr 7 DEBATING

Palm cards in hand, the Yr 7 Vincentia High Debating team (Suzie Glenday 1st speaker, Beatrix Brady 2nd speaker, Leah Mercier 3rd speaker and Rebecca Miles team adviser) set off with the lovely Miss Keough and Miss Gilbert to Bomaderry High School. Spirits were high and so was Justin Bieber blasting out the speakers. Slightly delayed, we arrived at Bomaderry ready to take whatever we had thrown at us. We spent the morning watching debates and gaining knowledge as we scanned newspapers for the latest scoop! Then it was our turn. The topic was "That it should be compulsory for English teachers to teach at least one classic text". What we didn't really know before we went in however, was that this curriculum was already in place. We lost the coin flip making us negative for this debate. After an hour prep, we took to the stage to prove our points against Braidwood. It was a close debate, but in the end Braidwood were able to convince the adjudicators further. Never the less, we kept in high spirits as we departed, off to McDonalds singing good ol' Avril Lavigne. It was a good experience and we can't wait for more opportunities to debate again! - Beatrix Brady and Suzie Glenday



Year 12 Formal and Farewell

On Friday the 9th of November, 2012 our Year 12 cohort was farewelled with a celebration befitting this group of wonderful young men and women. The evening began with our traditional 'red carpet' exhibition of astonishing vehicles and even more astonishing dresses and outfits. The Ga Ga styling had six inch heels (that's fifteen centimetres kids) tottering towards the future.

We have continued to polish our in-house celebrations and I believe we are offering an event that is comparable to any offered by external venues. This could not have happened without the efforts of our event planner, Miss Carrie McIntyre who worked tirelessly to ensure the success of the evening. Miss Mac you are simply the best!

I take this opportunity to also thank all of the staff who assisted and supported the event, particularly those who stayed back until Cinderella o'clock to help with the clean-up. Too many to name here, it speaks volumes that staff are so willing to ensure our students are farewelled with appropriate ceremony.

A last minute change in plans meant we were left without an official photographer and I send my thanks to Dylan Zarb, who stepped up to fill the gap. Dylan - one of our current Y12 students - is just starting out in what he hopes will be a successful career in photography and I know he will make it a success.

It is my hope that the wider school community enjoyed the evening as I know I did. I thank all of the parents who supported this and all of the other year level events along the journey from Year 7 to Year 12.

In my final farewell speech to the year group I offered the view that we had been writing their stories together for the past six years and that it was my wish the students would go on to write their own stories and to make them good ones. I look forward to reading their stories as they continue to grow and will enjoy re-reading the story of their time with us at Vincentia High School for some time.

Joseph Revesz

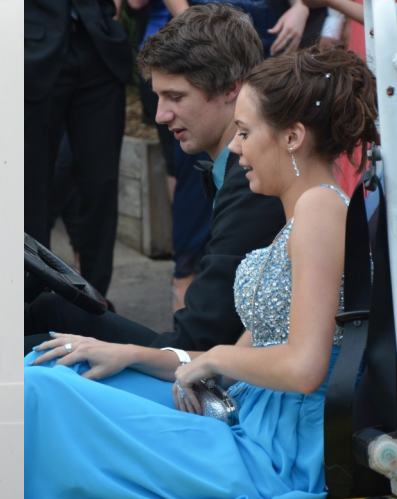
SCHOOLIES SAFETY

Want to know how to prep your child for schoolies week? The 'Turning 18' website offers savvy advice for parents and students alike. Get the facts on drugs, alcohol and celebrating, with top tips for staying safe.

Go to: <http://www.turning18.com.au/>







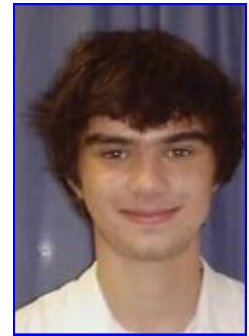
Lions Youth of the Year Competition



Annie Stojanovic

Congratulations to Yr 11 students; Annie Stojanovic, Josie Brown and Owen Gendek, who represented our school at the 'Lions Youth of the Year Competition' held on Tuesday 6th November. Annie won the public speaking section with Josie highly commended. Owen won the overall competition and will represent Vincentia High School at the next level of the competition in February. *Once again, quality students doing quality things!*

Josie Brown



Owen Gendek

VINCENTIA HIGH SCHOOL

2012

Stage 4 Yearly Examinations

Student Timetable

Instructions for students:

- Go to your timetabled class at the beginning of your exam session to have your attendance recorded
- When there is no timetabled exam you will attend class as normal
- You will need to supply your own writing implements and calculator
- You are to remain in the exam room for the entire exam session
- Mobile phones or iPods are not permitted in the exam room

Rules and Procedures

Students must

- Follow the supervisors instructions at all times
- Behave in a polite and courteous manner towards supervisors and other candidates
- Provide all necessary equipment
- Leave bags at the rear top of the room

Students must not

- Eat in the exam room
- Speak to any person other than the Supervisor during the exam
- Behave in any way likely to disturb the work of others or upset the conduct of the exam
- Take any books notes or equipment other than that specified
- Cheat in any way

Consequences

If you do not comply with these rules your paper may be cancelled and your marks lost. In addition a school punishment could be applied as such behaviour is not acceptable in the Vincentia High School community

Exam timetable for Week 7

		Monday Nov 19	Tuesday Nov 20	Wednesday Nov 21	Thursday Nov 22
Session					
morning	Pds 1 & 2	Year 8 English	Year 7 Maths	Year 8 Maths	Year 8 Science
middle	Pds 3 & 4		Year 8 HSIE	Year 7 HSIE	Year 7 Science
afternoon	Pds 5 & 6				

Paying School Study Levy and Excursions by EFTPOS

Vincentia High School now has an EFTPOS machine in the front office, available to parents for payment of excursions, Study Levy and other school related expenses.

All excursion permission forms will now have a section at the bottom which can be filled in with card details and the whole permission note returned to the front office for receipting.

This method of payment will mean that students will not have to carry cash to school. The minimum payment is \$10.

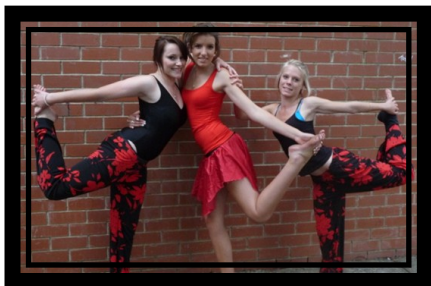
All your details will be kept strictly confidential.



SHOWCASE

Showcase will be held on Thursday, 13th December at 6pm in the School Hall. Tickets are now on sale for \$8 and may be purchased through the front office.

Auditions for this event will be held on Thursday 22nd November during periods 1 and 2. Please see Ms Barker or Mr Barkwith in Music for an audition form or more info. We look forward to seeing all your amazing performances on the day!!



2013 TOUCH FOOTBALL

Open and Junior girls wishing to play Touch Football for our school next year are asked to sign up this week at the PE staffroom. Trials will be next week.



BRONZE MEDALLION

Any YR 11/12 students wishing to complete a one day Royal Lifesaving Bronze Medallion course. Please sign up with Mr Raftery.

Aim -To develop the level of knowledge, judgement, technique and physical ability required to carry out safe water rescues

Description - Lifesaving in its broadest context implies the saving of life through prevention of accidents, personal survival and rescue of others. The majority of drowning accidents occur inland in places such as rivers, dams and home swimming pools. Such places are rarely patrolled by qualified lifeguards.

It is important that all members of the community learn some lifesaving techniques. The thoughtful application of the knowledge and skill provided within this program will save lives, ensure the rescuer's safety and prevent a possible double drowning.

Course Content: - This course involves theory and practical sessions.

Cost- \$40



WELCOME TO SENIOR SCHOOL DANCE

Date: **Thursday 6th December, 2012**

Theme: **Masquerade**

Where: **Vincentia High School Hall**

Arrive: **6pm**

Finishes: **9pm**

Cost: **\$40**

Sit Down Meal and Alcohol Free Event



SOUTHERN FOOTBALL TRIALS

Held at South Nowra Football Complex

Tuesday 13 November , Friday 16th November

SAP & U12 Girls (5-6.30pm)

Youth Boys & Girls (6.00 – 7.30PM)

Senior Men's & Women's (6.30pm – 8.00pm)



St Georges Basin Public School

Benefit Night

help us rebuild our school



When: Friday 23rd November 2012
at 6:00pm

Where: St Georges Basin Country Club

Cost: \$30 Includes Buffet Dinner
Entertainment
Trivia & Auction



Tickets are on sale now

Please call Tracy on:

0423 846 194



Update of students 'Medical Details' forms:

All students should have received a 'Medical Details' update form. Please fill in and return to school as soon as possible. The information provided on these forms will be entered onto our school system where it can be access for school excursions etc. This will eliminate the need to fill in a new medical form with every excursion. This form will be renewed at the end of every year, if the information changes during the year please contact the school for a new form.

Uniform Shop Volunteer/Helpers

The Uniform Shop is in desperate need of Volunteer/Helpers to assist with Year 7 2013 Orientation afternoon only.

This will be on Wednesday, November 28th from 4.00pm - 6.00pm

**If you can help please call
Kath on 0431 270 115**

WEBSITE

Have you visited our school's website lately???

Stay up to date with the current happenings/newsletters/ assessment schedules of Vincentia High School at

www.vincentia-h.schools.nsw.edu.au



WHAT'S HAPPENING AT VHS

Thursday 15th November

- Yr 9-10 Yearly Exams
- Yr 11 SKYDS Driver Safety

Monday 19th November

- Yr 7-8 Yearly Exams
- SRC Diversity Day

Thursday 22nd November

- Yr 9-10 Practical Assessment
- Yr 10 Health & Wellbeing Day

Friday 16th November

- Yr 9-10 Yearly Exams
- Gumbari Reward Excursion

Tuesday 20th November

- Yr 9-10 Practical Assessment Week

Friday 23rd November

- Yr 9-10 Practical Assessment
- Gumbari Reward Training
- Support Travel training

Wednesday 21st November

- Cyber Bullying Workshop

Electronic Delivery of Newsletter

Students Name: Email Address:

Please return to the Front Office