



Dear Parents/Caregivers & Students

As 2014 rapidly draws to an end, I wonder where the year has gone. It seems only yesterday we welcomed year 7.

Outstanding HSC results have been achieved by our 2014 Year 12. Every KLA achieved a band 6 - the first time since the opening of the school. Individual student results indicate the highest number of students with a 90+ ATAR have been achieved this year, this includes two students who achieved five band sixes. A more comprehensive list follows. **Congratulations to all 2014 Year 12 students, we wish you the very best in your chosen career.**

2014 has been a remarkable year with so many wonderful student achievements, Grace Kennedy competed in the Rolex Sydney to Hobart Yacht Race, Nellie Gray won the 'Australian Writing Competition', Ben Staeker won the 'Victor Chang Science Award', Jason Huntsman won the State Athletics Title, Troy Whittington, 1st in the Huskisson Triathlon, Harley Grundy held a Photographic exhibition at the Australian Museum in Sydney, Chloe Jones won the UOW Shoalhaven campus 'Design a Tshirt Competition', our Mountain Bike Team competed again this year at ACT Mountain Bike Championships many of our competitors doing amazing things, our Under 15 Girls won the South Coast Soccer, our Alpacas achieved two 2nds and a 3rd at the Royal Easter Show, and this year has seen the development of our show breeding for chooks with outstanding results in a number of shows. In 2015 we hope to enter chooks in the Easter Show. We have had ten students complete judging competition courses and all have achieved at a high level. There are lots more stories of achievement, too many to list completely, and I congratulate everyone who has represented the school, in any way, during the year.

The schools **NAPLAN results have shown the greatest improvement of any like school on the South Coast.** Our **VET results** have again been outstanding with students achieving eight 1st places. **Students of the year were June Norton, Johnathon Blackman, Emma- Mai Bentley, Lilyan Orchard, Mikaela Rodrigues, Cody Brown, Gina Kelly & Aaron Phillis.** **NSW Housing Scholarships** were awarded to Nina Fisher -Brown & Shakeela Williams for their commitment to education. The **Indigenous Ranger Cadetship Program** continued this year with twenty one students gaining their Certificate II in Conservation & Land Management.

In the area of community involvement students have raised a significant amount of money for different charities through RUMAD, RUOK, Biggest Morning Tea and many other dedicated days and fundraising ventures.

All these wonderful things can only happen with dedicated staff who care for all and educate our students. I also thank the community for their enormous support to the school throughout this year, and look forward to developing these relationships in 2015.

I wish everyone a happy and safe Christmas.

Steve Glenday
Principal.

2014 HSC results

We are very proud of the achievements of all students and their dedicated teachers. There were several exceptional results including students making the honours list in every key learning area and 19 subjects in total. 85 student results were Band 5 or higher and Band 6 results (90% or above) were achieved in:

Ancient History
Biology
Chemistry
Design and Technology
Advanced English
Extension English
Geography
Industrial Technology
Mathematics General 2
Mathematics 2 Unit
Modern History
PDHPE
Society and Culture
Textiles and Design
Visual Art
Hospitality
Indonesian Continuers
Indonesian Extension

Although a great number of students achieved their personal best and had exceptional results right across the board, a number of outstanding student results were achieved. A special mention must go to **Jay Edwards who came 2nd in the state in Indonesian Extension.**

Other outstanding student results include:

Charlotte Brady with Band 6 results in Advanced English, Extension 1 English, Modern History, Society and Culture and High Band 5 results in Biology, Mathematics and Extension 2 English.

Samara Brown with Band 6 results in Visual Arts and Band 5's in Advanced English, Biology, Extension 1 English and Mathematics.

Jessica Burdfield with Band 6 results in Textiles and Design and Design and Technology as well as a band 5 in Visual Arts.

Brianna Drummond with a Band 6 in Hospitality and Band 5 results in Biology, Business Studies and Tourism and Events.

Jay Edwards with Band 6 results in Indonesian Continuers, Indonesian Extension, Geography, PDHPE, Mathematics and a high Band 5 in Advanced English.

Lincoln Grace with a Band 6 in Hospitality and Mathematics General and a Band 5 in Business Studies.

Jackson Holm with a Band 6 in PDHPE and Band 5 result in Advanced English and Ancient History.

Sasha Milani with Band 6 in Geography and Mathematics and high Band 5 results in Advanced English, Engineering Studies, Mathematics Extension 1, Physics and Hospitality.

Lisa Morgan with a Band 6 in Industrial Technology and a Band 5 result in Chemistry.

Tallara Shaw with Band 6 results in Ancient History and PDHPE and Band 5 in Advanced English, Geography and Legal Studies.

Laura Taylor with Band 6 results in Ancient History, Biology, Chemistry and Mathematics as well as Band 5 results in Advanced English and Mathematics Extension 1.

Sienna Verdugo with a Band 6 in Visual Art and Band 5 results in Advanced English, Drama, Music and Japanese.

Merry Christmas



Your School Contacts

S Glenday	Principal
P Hogan	Deputy Principal Special Programs
G Brady	Deputy Principal Stage 4 (Yrs 7 & 8)
M Meehan	Head Teacher Teaching & Learning Stage 4
F Bachmann	Deputy Principal Stage 5 (Yrs 9 & 10) (Rel)
P Greyling	Head Teacher Teaching & Learning Stage 5
P Taylor	Deputy Principal Stage 6 (Yrs 11 & 12)
F Loupos	Head Teacher Teaching & Learning Stage 6
J Oxley	School Administration Manager
W Bruffey	Head Teacher Admin (Rel)
R Gilbert	Head Teacher English
G Smith	Head Teacher Mathematics
L Swierenga	Head Teacher Science (Rel)
L Ryder	Head Teacher CAPA
S Corbett	Head Teacher HSIE
J Wright	Head Teacher PDHPE (Rel)
A Newton	Head Teacher TAS
P Raftery	Sports Co-ordinator
S Clark	Head Teacher Support
J Scott	Head Teacher Gumbari Facility
A Glenday	Head Teacher Wellbeing Learning Support
K Lane	Head Teacher Ganya Garindja

Year Advisers 2015

C Ryan & L Brooks	Year 7 Adviser
M Morris	Year 8 Adviser
G Keogh	Year 9 Adviser
J Powter	Year 10 Adviser
J Von Stieglitz & H Pastor	Year 11 Adviser
P Raftery	Year 12 Adviser

Students return to school in 2015

Years 7, 11 & 12 Wednesday, 28th January

Years 8, 9 & 10 Thursday 29th January

(Yrs 8, 9 & 10 students please bring a towel)

Centrepont Tower

Excursion



'What's on the Menu?', Food Technology and Hospitality students enjoyed an excursion to the Sydney Tower last week.

It was an early start on the 6.30am train from Bomaderry.

The students had a tour of the main kitchen and the restaurant before it

opened for lunch. The restaurant takes 70 minutes to do a revolution with amazing views of the city and Sydney Harbour.

The buffet lunch included a variety of hot and cold dishes from around the world and the students were encouraged to try something new. Some were brave enough to have the emu and crocodile sausages!





City sights from the
Centrepont Tower



Support Unit

Fishing Day

Last Wednesday, 10th December, 16 students from the Support Unit headed to Greenwell Point to enjoy a day on 'Escape Fishing Charter'. The boat is a 52ft Westcoaster which accommodated 16 students and 4 staff.

The students climbed aboard and were greeted by Gary Crocker (skipper) and Barry (deckhand), a few rules and safety talks were given as we headed towards the bar. The students put on their life jackets and we headed out into the ocean. It was nice and calm as we went about 4 miles north east.

Michael Stark caught the first fish of the day - a gummy shark. Plenty of flathead were caught, most students were hooking two at a time.

The North East winds picked up and the boat started to rock, a few students laid on the deck with upset stomachs. A BBQ was cooked, unfortunately didn't help with our students stomachs, a few facing the water to relieve their pain.

We headed back to the shore and students had a short fish on the jetty while their catch was filleted by Ray and Barry. A great day was had by all.

Many thanks to Gary and Barry for patience, assistance and knowledge to make it a successful 4 hours of fishing.

'Escape fishing Charters' out of Greenwell Point is highly recommended by the Support Unit. You will find them on facebook or at <http://www.escapefishingcharters.com.au/>







The Office Team - Jocelyn (SAM) Frances, Jo, Jenny, Bec, Glad & Clare



The *S*chool *A*dmin *T*eam
at
Vincentia High School
wish everyone a very happy
and relaxing Christmas and
look forward to assisting you in
2015.



The Library Team - Gaye & Karen



The TAS Team - Brenda & Mel



Science - Lesley



Printroom Team - Bec & Bec



Attendance - Lesley

MOUNTAIN BIKE FUNDRAISER BUNNINGS NOWRA

Vincentia High School's Mountain Bike Fundraiser at Bunnings Nowra on Sunday, 14 December raised over \$1,100!

Many thanks to staff, students and parents for their support in making this possible. **Thanks also to local businesses; Bakers Delight, Vincentia, Bakers Delight, Nowra Mall, Bakers Delight, Stockland and Nowra Fresh Fish & Meat markets.**

The money raised will assist in the purchase of new jerseys and subsidise costs of travel and accommodation for our mountain bikers next year.

Uniform Shop Staff

wishes everyone a

**Merry Christmas
and
Happy New Year**

**The Uniform Shop
will reopen**

**Monday, 19th January, 2015
from 9am until 1.30pm.**

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■ Public holidays ■ School holidays ■ Start of school term for students ■ School development days* ■ Additional vacation days for Western Division ■ Start of Term 1 for students in Western Division ■ School development day (Western Division)
■ Selective high school placement test 12 March / NARLAN tests 12-14 May / Opportunity class placement test 22 July / HSC commences 12 Oct ■ Education Week

*The first day of Term 1 is a School Development Day. Check with your school for Terms 2, 3 and 4 as schools may vary these days. Please note: School zone speed limits apply on ALL school days including school development days.

GAMERS CLUB

There's board games, painting, building of figurines, strategy, you may even get to play Chess or Monopoly. If you can play it on a board there's a good chance you will be able to play it at the Gamers Club on Sundays.

Sunday: 12:00pm to 6:00pm

Ages: 9yrs+

Cost: Individuals: \$5.00 per session Couples: \$8.00 per session

AIR BORN CHEERLEADING

Give your child the opportunity to experience an innovative, popular and fast growing gym sport that is healthy, entertaining and fun. Cheerleading is a great team sport that anyone can try, have fun and make lots of friends.

Assorted Squads Friday: 4:00pm to 7:30pm (School Terms Only)

For more information please Contact Emma on

(Mob) : 0405 505 317 or Email : emma@airborncheerleading.com

THE SHED

Come and learn skills, exercise imagination and simply experience the joy of creating something. No skills necessary. The Shed team will give you a hand at whatever level you're at and help you make things that you want to make.

Tuesday 3:30pm to 6:30pm (School Terms Only)

The Shed welcomes both males and females, boys & girls.

For more information contact Lee Dobson on 0400 356 399.

DROP IN

The Drop In area is a safe place where you can play Pool or just sit back and relax with friends. If the Stadium is available you can also shoot some hoops or kick a ball around.

Monday - Friday: 12:00pm to 7:00pm

Cost: Gold coin donation



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ABOUT US

Shoalhaven PCYC is a non profit organisation, totally community funded since 1983. We are not government funded so we need your support to assist us to help the youth of the Shoalhaven area.

Help us to help your community. Committee, Volunteer & Youth Committee members are needed.

We are always seeking new activities, so if you know any qualified instructors who may wish to join us please ask them to give us a call.

ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST BE PCYC MEMBERS.

YEARLY MEMBERSHIP

ADULT MEMBERSHIP (18yrs +) \$12.50

JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP (U/18yrs) \$6.00

CLUB OPERATING HOURS

Monday to Friday 12:00pm to 7:00pm

Sunday (GAMERS CLUB ONLY) 12:00pm to 6:00pm

CLOSED on all Public Holidays

For any further information please call the Office on 4421 8588.

Staff at Shoalhaven PCYC would like to thank all our members and the community for their ongoing support of the centre.

FACILITY & VENUE HIRE

Shoalhaven PCYC have a Meeting/Conference Room and Stadium available to hire. If you would like more information on hiring one of these areas please contact the centre on 4421 8588 or send us an email:

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