



Vincentia High School Presentation Day 2015

On Tuesday, 1st December Vincentia High School staff, students, parents/carers and special guests came together to celebrate the academic and sporting success of our students. This event is an important milestone for all the students who receive recognition for their efforts during the year. Vincentia High School would again like to congratulate our 2015 award recipients and thank the staff, parents/carers and special guests for their ongoing support of our school. Without the commitment of our community we would not be able to celebrate our success in such a fantastic way!





Troy Whittington has been selected to the Illawarra Academy of Sport (IAS)

Vincentia High School's Troy Whittington of Year 10 has been selected for the Illawarra Academy of Sport (IAS) 2016 *Subway Triathlon Squad* where he will join teacher Steve Crossman, who is on the program's coaching staff.

Both Troy and Steve are excited to be a part of the *Triathlon Squad* which is relatively new to the IAS. "It's a fantastic opportunity to get some specific training and skill-development for triathlon," Steve noted, "It's helping to fill the void in coaching resources that many local clubs lack for younger athletes who aspire to improve their performance in the sport." Troy is looking forward to taking advantage of the opportunities made available through the scholarship, "For me, it's a great way to learn the intricacies and the skills involved in the sport, as well as having the opportunity to train with other young triathletes."

The IAS Triathlon Program is designed to support the developmental needs of the region's young talented triathletes by providing industry-leading high performance sport development programs which can lead to further opportunities in the New South Wales Institute of Sport, the Australian Institute of Sport, and beyond.

In 2015 the Illawarra Academy of Sport is celebrating its 30th year of providing localised training and education opportunities for talented young athletes across five council areas, including the Shoalhaven. With Steve being Shoalhaven-based, he is hoping that, in years to come, more athletes from the region will be encouraged to apply. "As an IAS coach in the Shoalhaven, I have the opportunity to run sessions down here which will hopefully assist in breaking-down the geographical barrier for many young athletes," Steve told the VHS Newsletter, "Hopefully we can build on Vincentia High's successful triathlon program and offer further opportunities for aspiring athletes."

The squad is currently in training for a busy summer season which will build towards the *NSW All-Schools Triathlon* in Penrith in February of 2016 and the *Clubs NSW Academy Games* on the Central Coast in April.



Australian Business Week

It is the inaugural year for Australian Business Week (ABW) at Vincentia High and it was wonderful to see our year 10 cohort embrace the week with growing enthusiasm and engagement. We had 13 teams compete in a variety of tasks related to running their own Café. ABW was a huge success and would not have been possible without the support from the amazingly wonderful team of Vincentia High staff mentors and members from our community. We would like to give a big thank you to our guest speakers Di Laver and Virginia Mitchell who brought their wealth of knowledge from years working at Bomaderry TAFE in Tourism & Hospitality and team mentors Belinda Bunter from Babylon Huskisson and Sophie Clayton from Grevilles corner store. Also the judging panel Ory Purhoneon from Webics, Raj Ray from Silos Restaurant, Marianne Jones from Shoalhaven City Council and Geoffrey Ellison from Bendigo bank.

Special thanks to the students supporting Ms Congues on the IT help desk Ayden Rolfe, Bianca Ingles, Aiden Chambers and Stewart Birkmyre and to Ms Cody and the students from the Confusion Café for the delicious morning tea and lunches.

Congratulations to the grand winners 'Grind the Bean' and each of the category winners:

- For Simulation - Red Frogs.
- For Advertisement - Get Roasted.
- For Trade Display - Grind the Bean.
- For Team Work - Mellair Maxes.
- The Mentors Choice - Pillers and Taste Buds were equal first.



Gumbari Unit celebrates the 'Mum's N Bubs' Program for 2015

On Thursday 3rd December we acknowledged the tremendous efforts our students have made in returning to continue with their education with their babies this year. The 'Mum's N Bubs' program has been successful in allowing our student mothers to return to school bringing along their children, to finish their education.

Students attended a morning tea where they were presented with Silver Awards by Mr Glenday and Mr Hogan to acknowledge their diligence and application throughout the 2015. Janeece Scott HT also thanked the work put into the program over the 3 terms by Teacher, Tobie-Jane King and School Learning Support Officers, Karla Hayward, Jo Hayward and Chloe Butler. 2016 looks to be another rewarding, successful year as the girls (mums) continue to apply themselves to achieve their High School Certificate.



What's happening at Vincentia High School

Wednesday 09/12/2015

- Support Young Mens Class Camping Trip Meroo National Park Mr Lee
- MTB Currumbene State Forest South Nowra yrs 7-12 all day Mr Volpatti
- Yr 9 Jamberoo Trip yr9 all day Ms Keogh

Thursday 10/12/2015

- Support Sailing with Sailability Shoalhaven River pds 1-4 Mrs Clark
- Support Young Mens Class Camping Trip Meroo National Park Mr Lee
- Gumbari Terara Farm visit all day C Rexmiss
- Triathlon Training Day yrs 7-8

Friday 11/12/2015

- Support Young Mens Class Camping Trip Meroo National Park Mr Lee
- HSIE yr 7 Dolphin Watch Cruise Jervis Bay all day Mrs Brunswick
- Pigeon House Mountain Trek yr 8 all Day Mrs Morris

Monday 14/12/2015

- Ranger Canberra 3 day Trip yrs 9 - 10 Mrs Brown

Tuesday 15/12/2015

- Ranger Canberra 3 day Trip yrs 9 - 10 Mrs Brown

Wednesday 16/12/2015

- Ranger Canberra 3 day Trip yrs 9 - 10 Mrs Brown

Thursday 17/12/2015

- Staff Development Day Staff only

Friday 18/12/2015

- Staff Development Day
- Last Day Term 4

Wednesday 27/01/2016

- First Day Term 1 Staff Development Day Staff only

Thursday 28/01/2016

- First Day Term 1 for Years 7, 11 and 12

Friday 29/01/2016

- First Day Term 1 for Years 8, 9, and 10

YOUR SCHOOL CONTACTS

S Glenday	Principal
P Hogan	Deputy Principal
	Ganya Garindja, Gumbari & Support Units
G Brady	Deputy Principal Stage 4 (Yrs 7 & 8)
M Meehan	Head Teacher Teaching & Learning Stage 4
R Gilbert	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)
H Pastor	Head Teacher Teaching & Learning Stage 6 (Rel)
J Oxley	School Administration Manager
W Bruffey	Head Teacher Admin (Rel)
G Keogh	Head Teacher English (Rel)
W Nelmes	Head Teacher Sport
G Smith	Head Teacher Mathematics
L Swierenga	Head Teacher Science (Rel)
L Ryder	Head Teacher CAPA
J von Stieglitz	Head Teacher HSIE (Rel)
A Newton	Head Teacher TAS
P Raftery	Head Teacher PDHPE (Rel)
S Clark	Head Teacher Support
J Scott	Head Teacher Gumbari Unit
A Glenday	Head Teacher Wellbeing Learning Support
K Lane	Head Teacher Ganya Garindja Unit
K Walker	School Counsellor

LEADERSHIP AND SOCIAL ENGAGEMENT CONTACTS

C Ryan & L Brooks	Year 7 Advisers
M Morris	Year 8 Adviser
G Keogh & L Swieringa	Year 9 Advisers
J Powter	Year 10 Adviser
J von Stieglitz & H Pastor	Year 11 Advisers
K Edwards & G Brindley	Year 12 Adviser

Bomaderry Junior Rugby League Football Club Registration Day 2016

Will be held on Saturday 6th February 2016 at the Bomaderry Sporting Complex 10.00am - 1.00pm. The club will be entering teams from the Under 6's - Under 16's and also the newly formed Girl's League Tag Teams Under 12's, 14's & 16's years of age.
Register on line now Go to

<http://swampies.leaguenet.com.au>

Shorts, Socks and Polo Shirt are included in Fees.
For more information contact the President Steve on 0403591014.

Uniform Shop Last Day 2015

Please note that the last day to buy clothing at the Schools Uniform Shop for 2015 will be this Monday 14th December 7.45am to 10.30am

Defence Community Organisation (DCO) Coffee Morning

The DCO Coffee morning is on next Friday 11 December at 10.30am at the Husky Bakery in Huskisson. Come along for the coffee and a chat

**Math Tutoring
available please
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Are you doing a toy clear out prior to Christmas?

Planning a move?

We can help with your excess!

In an effort to reduce personal items coming in from home we would like to organise a collection of toys that children can borrow for lunch breaks. This will cater for the children who are more interested in creative play or who would like a break from physical activity. Also games that can be used for indoor play during wet weather.

We would like to collect donations of toys and games that your children have grown out of, or simply excess toys.

Firstly we are seeking outdoor toys in good condition such as

- Large trucks, diggers etc (Tonka style)
- Small cars, planes etc (Matchbox style)
- Sand and beach play toys (buckets, spades, sieves, moulds etc)
- Plastic animals/figurines (dinosaurs, farm animals, fairies etc)
- Plastic or wooden blocks (Lego/Duplo style, or plain)
- Dolls and accessories

We would also appreciate toys and games suitable for indoor use with students from Kindergarten to Year 6, in good condition, such as

- Board games (Monopoly, Chess, Ludo, Scrabble, Memory Match, Trouble etc. Complete sets please)
- Card Games (Uno, Snap etc)
- Train sets
- Construction (such as Lego, Duplo, K'nex, blocks)
- Threading boards, dominos, tracing stencils,
- Figurines and accessories (Littlest Pet Shop etc)

Toys and games will be clearly marked (VPS) before being borrowed by the students.

Please drop any donations off to the office at Vincentia Primary School

Thank you.

Penny McKenzie
