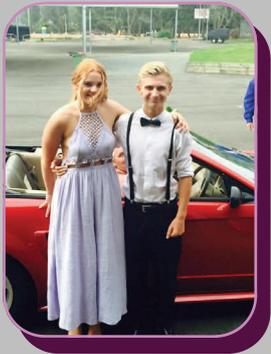




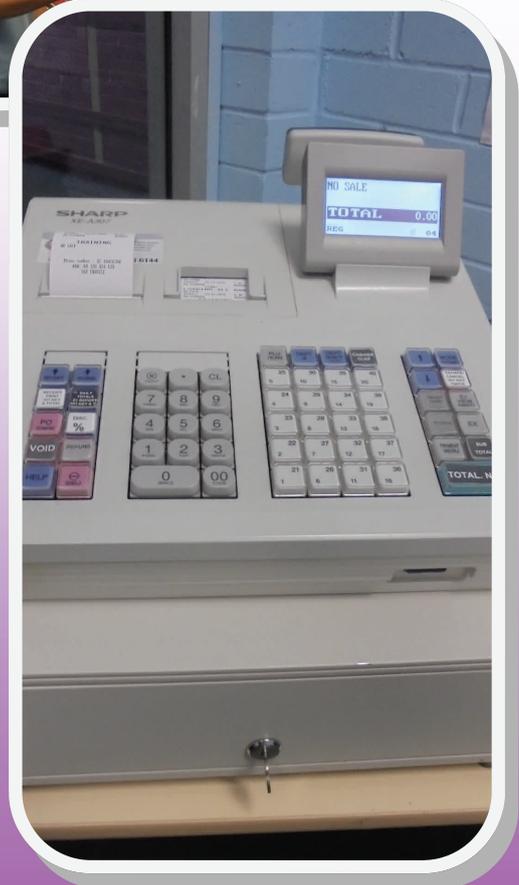
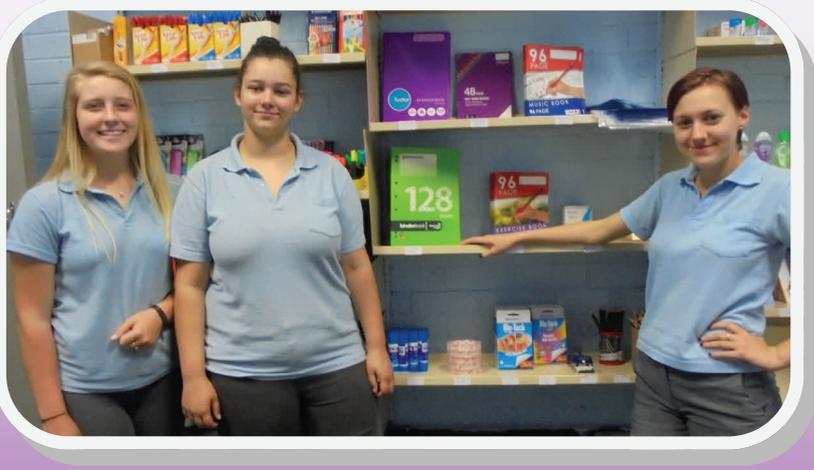
Welcome to Senior School Celebration Evening





The Senior Retail Class

The Senior Retail Class would like to thank Southern Business Machines (SBM) Nowra for their very generous donation of a cash register worth over \$1,000. Jason from SBM spent 2 hours training the retail class on the operation of the register. The new register will be an invaluable asset to the 'School Works' store that is open for staff and students every day at recess.



Year 10 Survivor Walk 2015



The annual Year 10 Survivor walk took place across Booderee National Park with 35 students undertaking the walk along with 4 teachers. The students and staff boarded a bus and headed for Berrara for the beginning point of the adventure. Packs were loaded with all the necessary equipment and supplies to survive the next 3 days.

Day 1 saw us walking mostly on the sands of Berrara, Sussex and Brewere beaches. We made our way at a good pace and arrived at the crossing of Sussex Inlet where we were assisted by Mr Glenday and Troy Whittington in their tinnies. They ferried all the loaded packs and a few students who managed to swindle their way across. The current was strong in the inlet and there were a number of stingrays lingering underfoot, so students had to walk up stream, minding where they took a step before taking on the flowing water that stood between us all and the remainder of our days hiking. All who attempted succeeded! The remainder of the first day had us walking the sands of 5 mile beach, an arduous task and all were happy to reach their destination, the campgrounds at Caves Beach.

The welcoming party of 2 Red Belly Black snakes and 1 Diamond Python on the thin track to the campgrounds kept everyone on their toes! Students began setting up their tents and some ventured down to Caves beach for a much deserved swim and freshen up. Cold showers were taken by some but not all, some choosing to embrace the grime of the day. Meals were cooked and all hydrated well. Card games were played, balls were flying and the vibe was positive after our first day of walking.

Day 2 began before 6am with the sun rising over the campsite. Students and staff packed up their gear and fed themselves before we headed off. We made our way up from Caves Beach and walked across the Northern border of Wreck Bay land making our way to Wreck Bay Road and then onto Stoney Creek Road. The walking was on fire trails which most found much easier going than the walking on the sand of the previous day. The group was making good progress, taking necessary breaks for food and water, as we meandered our way through the middle of Booderee National Park, onto designated walking trails. The group went above and beyond on day 2, thanks to Mr Powter's decision to walk the Murrays Loops track. The extension of the day's walking pushed the students

mentally and physically however they were rewarded at the destination, Bristol Point.

Mr Brindley had arrived bearing gifts, cans of soft drink and ice blocks. The strain of the days walking was lifted and the group set up camp before a majority went for a swim in Jervis Bay.

Later in the afternoon further rewards were

brought to the campsite at Bristol Point thanks to Mr Glenday and Mr Brady. Sausages for a BBQ and more ice blocks further helping to alleviate the fatigue. A fire was lit and the sausage sizzle began. Mr Fox was the chief BBQer and after a short time all the campers had their fill of sausages on bread with sauce, Australia's finest cuisine. The open air sleeping became a reality for the more adventurous on night 2, with a near full moon shining, making the campground a mix of tents and sleeping bags spread about. All the campers were earlier to bed, very tired from all the energy used.



Day 3 and our journey home had begun. With some experience of packing up camp we were quicker to leave and made our way through the grounds of Greenpatch and onto Illuka beach heading for the grounds of HMAS Creswell where we were greeted by an officer and guided across the grounds. Then it was back to the sand walking. The glorious blue water of Hyams beach called to us as we walked in the warming sun of the morning, our feet beginning to feel the strain and pain. A well deserved swim for our mid morning break was enjoyed by all, the cooling water refreshing us for the final leg of our hike. White Sands path led us home. Chinamens, Greenfields, Blenheim and Nelson's beaches were all passed as we made our way back into Vincentia. Our final destination was not far away.

With a final regroup at the Southern end of Collingwood beach, the group walked for the school. The final kilometres were difficult for some but with great effort we made it back to the school. Our walking over.

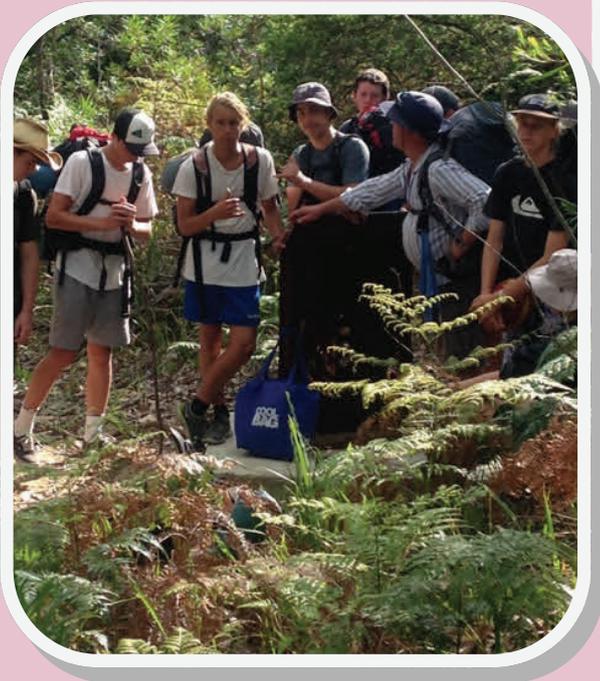
We had SURVIVED!

This walk brought many students together who would not normally have spent time together, building the bonds between them before they venture into senior school. Physical limits were pushed for some of the students. Mental limits were stretched for most!

As year advisor to the students in year 10 I am very proud of the efforts of all the students who came on the "Survivor Walk" 2015. I would like also to acknowledge the help and expertise of the staff involved on the walk, Ms Joura, Ms Scott and Mr Fox, without them and their efforts the walk would not have been the success it was. Thankyou all.

To the students, I am very happy that you came, made the effort each day of the walk, faced your personal barriers and made me very proud of you all.

Thankyou
John Powter
Year 10 Advisor



Fantastic Results at the Husky Triathlon

A number of Vincentia High School students entered the Husky triathlon and achieved fantastic results.

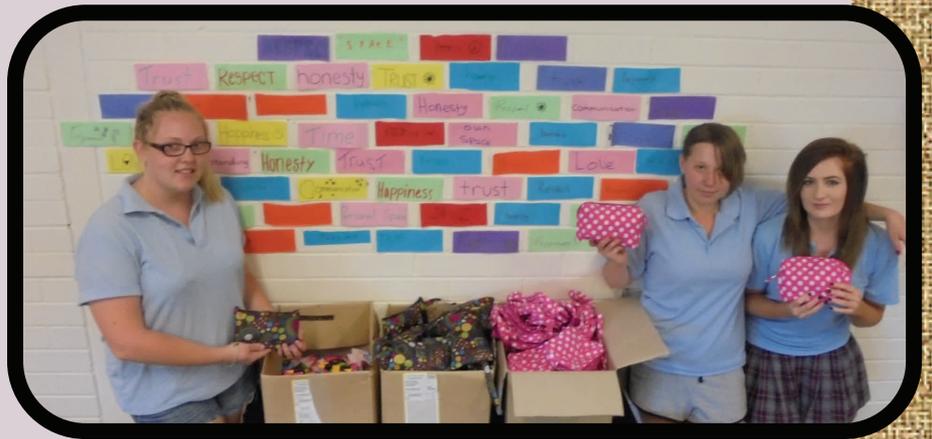
The girls team came first and third overall in teams: **Terri Milani, Jackie Milani & Ruby Young.**

Mixed team came first place and first overall: **Jeremy Head, Bronte Wright & Nellie Gray.**

For **Tegan McKay** this was her first triathlon and **Troy Whittington** did well.



Early Childhood Class is Making a Difference



Ms Warren's Year 12 Exploring Early Childhood class have completed a unit on 'The Global Child' and have decided to create welcome packs for young men and women arriving in Australia as refugees. The class sort donations for the packs which contain essential personal hygiene products. The class also want to support the local women's refuge and will be sending some of these packs to them too.

On Thursdays these students run a school based crèche caring for the infants from our Mums and Bubs class. This is a wonderful opportunity for the class to learn about Early Childhood with a hands on approach. The students have had a lot of fun creating and playing with the toddlers.



What's happening at Vincentia High School

Wednesday 02/12/2015

- ☞ Australian Business Week ABW
- ☞ Tree Top Adventure Nowra yr 11 all day Mrs Morris

Thursday 03/12/2015

- ☞ Taste of High School Mr Brady, Mr Mason Ms Norman
- ☞ Australian Business Week ABW
- ☞ Support Sailing with Sailability Shoalhaven River pds 1-4 Mrs Clark
- ☞ Gumbari Terara Farm visit all day C Rexmiss
- ☞ Snorkling for Marine & Aquaculture Jervis Bay all day Mrs McKenzie

Friday 04/12/2015

- ☞ Taste of High School Mr Brady, Mr Mason Ms Norman
- ☞ Australian Business Week ABW
- ☞ Hospitality/Food Technology Update Yr 11 all day Mr Newton, Mrs Boyce

Monday 07/12/2015

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Tuesday 08/12/2015

- ☞ Yr 10 Graduation to Senior School
- ☞ ABW Celebration Morning Tea

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

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 & P Charlton	- School Counsellors

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

Media Release

Sanctuary Point & Districts
Community Bank® Branch



Bendigo Bank
Bigger than a bank.

Bank helps students to achieve dreams

SANCTUARY POINT, 18th November 2015:

Bay & Basin youth will again be able to get a head start on their studies, with Sanctuary Point & Districts Community Bank® Branch announcing the opening of their tertiary scholarship program for the 2016 year.

The scholarship, which opens in December, will support two local students with study costs in their first year of higher education.

Sanctuary Point & Districts Community Bank® Branch Chair Veronica Husted said helping young people gain access to tertiary education was one way his branch was bigger than a bank.

"Our young people are our future and we believe they need the best support possible to achieve their dreams," Veronica Husted said.

"The high cost associated with tertiary study can have a significant impact on a young person's ability to further their education and some may not get the chance to go to university without financial help.

"Our Community Bank® Branch is happy to help ease some of that pressure and hopefully one day these students will return and share their new skills with the Bay & Basin community."

Successful Sanctuary Point & Districts Community Bank® Scholarship applicants will initially receive funding for one year and depending on academic performance, the scholarship may be renewed to assist in the second year of their study.

Applications are invited from eligible students, starting their studies in 2016, from 1 December 2015. Applications close on 25 January 2016 and will be assessed in early February 2016.

In 2012 and again in 2014, the Sanctuary Point & Districts Community Bank® Branch Scholarship supported two local student studies at university for two years in each year..

The Sanctuary Point & Districts Community Bank® Scholarship is part of the Bendigo and Adelaide Bank Scholarship Program, with numerous Community Bank® branches and other partners taking part across Australia.

For further information please contact Veronica Husted (0427 249 457), Geoffrey Ellison (0413 201 620) or Sanctuary Point & Districts Community Bank® Branch on (4443 9825), or visit www.bendigobank.com.au/scholarships.

Media enquiries: Veronica Husted , Chair on 0427 249 457>

Celebrating 2015
International Day of People with Disability

DINNER DANCE **3** DEC

an all ages, all abilities event
ROCK n ROLL

5.30 START

dance the night away to Frankie's DJ

Nowra Golf Club

Adults \$25
Children \$12.50

prizes for best dressed, best table
and raffle

Tickets ~ House with No Steps
Ph. 4403 0903

Information ~ Susan or Melinda
Ph. 4428 9003



**Holly Jelly
Storytime**

Tuesday 15th December 10am
Songs, dancing and craft
For ages 2-5 years

Meet Santa!

Bookings essential 4429 3712 library@shoalhaven.nsw.gov.au



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Nowra
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Name our Slides
for your chance to **WIN!**

FREE WATERSLIDING FOR 1 YEAR

Enter "Name Our Waterslides"
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Shoalhaven
City Council



Log Book Run

'Lost in waste'

A landfill odyssey

Need some log book hours? There is an opportunity for you and your supervisor to experience a range of driving conditions and activities including Police RBT, Driver Reviver fatigue stop and a trip to Berry Waste and Recycling Depot.

A **FREE** Learner Log Book Run will be held on **Saturday 5 December** leaving and finishing in **Nowra** between 10.00am and 12.30pm.

Bookings are essential: Please phone Kathy Wisaham Shoalhaven City Council Road Safety Officer on (02) 4429 3484



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PARENT? PARTNER? DUAL-SERVING COUPLE?

Tell Defence about your experiences in the
ADF Families Survey



Are you a partner or parent of a permanent ADF member or a permanent ADF member looking after dependants on your own?

Defence recognises the significant contribution of ADF families in supporting military members in their duties.

We want to know what you think and what support you need to help manage the challenges of military life.

Complete the online survey from 16 November to 7 December 2015

www.defence.gov.au/dco or www.dfa.org.au



**Math Tutoring
available please
call Col Evans
0403 064 986**

Uniform Shop News

**Please note: that some
Sport Shorts have now
arrived.**



VINCENIA PUBLIC SCHOOL

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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 Vincenia Primary School

Thank you.

Penny McKenzie