

VINCENTIA VIBE - THE VOICE OF OUR SCHOOL

Term 4 Week 2B 20/10/2016

ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE 2016-2017 BUSH FIRE SEASON

Dear Parent or Carer

I am writing to let you know about arrangements for our school for the current bush fire season.

Our school has been identified as a school at increased risk if a bush fire were to break out on a day when a Catastrophic Fire Danger Rating is issued for our area.

To ensure the health, safety and welfare of students and staff, the NSW Department of Education has determined that on days when a Catastrophic Fire Danger Rating is issued for our area, the school will temporarily cease operations for the day(s) the rating is current and alternative learning arrangements will be put in place. This is based on information obtained through a bush fire assessment of our school arranged by the Department.

A Catastrophic Fire Danger Rating is likely to occur on a very small number of days during the bush fire season, if at all. To ensure that we continue to support student learning on these days, I have put the following arrangements in place:

Due to our location the school will be closed and students to remain home.

The school will only receive notification of a Catastrophic Fire Danger Rating after school hours the day before the forecast is issued. To assist me in contacting all parents please ensure that you have provided the school with up-to-date home or after hours contact details.

Information for parents and carers provided by the Department about these arrangements is attached. Up to date bush fire information will also be available to you on the Department's bush fire safety website. The link for this site is as follows:

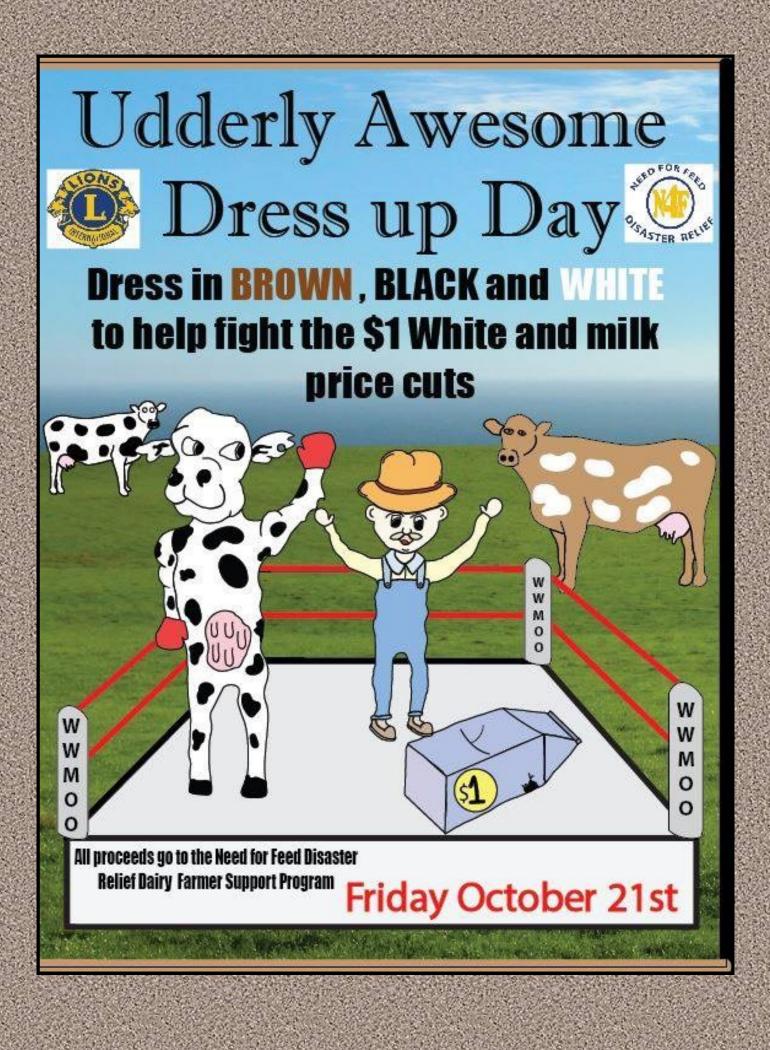
NSW Public Schools Safety website:

http://www.dec.nsw.gov.au/about-us/news-at-det/bushfire-safety

Please contact the school on telephone 44416766 if you would like any further information about this matter.

Yours sincerely

Steve Glenday Principal 18th October, 2016.



Support Unit celebrates World Tourism Day





During the school holidays some of our staff and students from the Support Unit were invited to go on a Jervis Bay Wild cruise of Jervis Bay, to celebrate World Tourism Day. This year's focus is 'Tourism For All' so Shoalhaven Tourism, Jervis Bay Wild and not for profit organisation 'It's Heaven' partnered to highlight the importance of 'inclusive tourism'. The NSW Minister for Disability Services, Aging and Multiculturalism, John Ajaka said "it



was just wonderful to see so many people enjoying themselves and it's wonderful to see inclusiveness for people with disability." Jackie Kay, founder of It's Heaven said the website records everything that's accessible throughout the Shoalhaven for people with a disability.

Despite the wild weather, everyone had a lovely day.







Smile and Win!

School Oral Health and Dental Care Program!

Our school recently partnered with Australian Mobile Dental Care (AMDC) to offer an excellent preventative dental program at **no cost** to students, who are eligible under the federal government's Child Dental Benefits Schedule (CDBS).

To support a **healthier school community**, students wishing to have their teeth checked for a healthy smile, as well as a **chance to win** an Apple Smart Watch and Virtual Reality Headset, should read and return the **parental consent forms** handed out as soon as possible.

The large state-of-the-art clinic will be here in **Term 4 Weeks 5-7** to provide **free assessments** and education to every student. They will provide fully bulked billed services, including a scale and clean, fissure sealants, fluoride applications and further treatment as required. Prevention packages for students in private health funds who do not qualify for the Medicare CDBS scheme with NO GAP payable will also be offered.

This program has been successfully established by AMDC for a number of years now in over 350 schools throughout NSW alone to encourage children to take care of their teeth and gums from an early age.

Student eligibility is based upon the CDBS scheme; if you're not sure whether you qualify for this program, AMDC can check on completion of the consent form and get in touch with you!

We are all very excited to be a part of this amazing opportunity for our students, especially those who struggle to regularly visit the dentist. As we know, bad oral health also affect our students' overall wellbeing, including their eating habits and nutrition, classroom attentiveness, speech development and social confidence.

If you have any questions regarding eligibility and what the program offers, please contact the school or AMDC directly on 02 9761 4700.



U14 & U16 girls State Titles Football Championships

The State Titles Championships were held in Mudgee for U14 and U16 girls in the first week of the September school holidays.

The U16 girls tournament went over 3 days from the 27th to the 29th of September. Students Jackie Milani, Summer Dann and Emily Laing represented Country Southern at this tournament.

The girls won 3 of the 5 games. Outplaying 2 Metro teams, City South and City Central/West. They were crowned U16 Girls Country Champions and took home the Silverware. Finishing third overall and missing out on second place only to goal difference, quite an achievement. All 3 girls had a fantastic tournament.

Bronte Trew and Bronte Wright were also representing Country Southern in the U14 girls team. Their coach Brad Banks said "Bronte Trew was captain and one of the best all week, playing a strong role in the midfield and attacking at every chance. She led by example both on and off the park and is a credit to your school".

"Bronte Wright was part of the leadership group, she showed maturity beyond her years on and off the park. She was dominant in the midfield".

Polo Shirts

for juniors and

seniors are now





available for \$26 at the School Uniform Shop Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays between 7.45am and 10.30am.

Following the Western Front

Year 12 student Sophie Barnes travelled to Belgium and France in July with Legacy. Sophie along with 75 other Legatees, followed the Western Front to learn about the experiences of the Australian Soldiers. Sophie was asked by Legacy to spend some time researching an Australian Soldier before the trip and write about her experience following in their footsteps.



Here is a section of Sophie's diary:

"After spending the morning with my great uncle Alton Cork I knew my sorrows would continue as I was soon to meet Reginald Raymond Wildman at Pheasant Wood Cemetery. Through the assignment, and studying Wildman for an extended period of time, allowed me to continuously expand my knowledge and reflect on Wildman and overall The Great War. I wasn't emotionally prepared for the relationship I would developed with him, so when I stood in front of his grave I was immensely confused with the connection I felt. Engraved on Wildman's tombstone

"WILDIE" – "liked by all who knew him", this statement correlates utterly with my overall knowledge and bond formed with Wildie."

Sophie's father passed away in 2015 and she said "there will never be a day that I won't mourn my dad, but I will forever be grateful to Legacy for intervening and making his death easier on my family and myself, but mostly for introducing me to my Legacy family."





What's happening at Vincentia High School		YOUR SCHOOL CONTACTS	
Thursday 20/10/16		S Glenday	Principal
Ş	- HSC Exams	P Hogan	Deputy Principal Stage 6 (Yrs 11 & 12)
	y 21/10/16	M Meehan	Head Teacher Teaching & Learning Literacy/ Numeracy
ଭ	HSC Exams	R Gilbert	Deputy Principal Stage 4 (Yrs 7 & 8) (Rel)
Ş	Udderly Awesome Day	P Greyling	Head Teacher WellBeing
Monday 24/10/16		P Taylor	Deputy Principal Stage 5 (Yrs 9 & 10)
9 2	HSC Exams	H Pastor	Head Teacher Teaching & Learning 21st Centu
-		J Oxley	School Administration Manager
ф т	SRC Camp Morisset	M Swanson	Head Teacher Admin (Rel)
	day 25/10/16	G Keogh	Head Teacher English (Rel)
Þ	HSC Exams	G Smith	Head Teacher Mathematics
l) Se	SRC Camp Morisset	T Borg	Head Teacher Science
Wedn	esday 26/10/16	L Ryder	Head Teacher CAPA
Ş	SRC Camp Morisset	A Newton	z Head Teacher HSIE (Rel) Head Teacher TAS
Ş	Immunisation Clinic Yr 7	P Raftery	Head Teacher PDHPE
Ş	HSC Exams	B Sauvao	Head Teacher Sport
Thursday 27/10/16		S Clark	Head Teacher Support
Ş	HSC Exams	J Scott	Head Teacher Gumbari Unit
ஒ	Dance & Didge Workshop at VPS	A Glenday	Head Teacher Learning & Support
Friday 28/10/16		K Lane	Head Teacher Ganya Garindja Unit
ço	HSC Exams	K Walker	School Counsellor
-		G Brown	Aboriginal Education Officer Ganya Garindja
92 14	World Teachers Day		
	ay 31/10/16		
See HSC Exams			Key Dates for
Tueso	day 1/11/16		
Ş	HSC Exams	Year 12	
Wednesday 2/11/16			
🎭 HSC Exams		# Thursday 13 th October till	
Thursday 3/11/16			
Ş	HSC Exams		4 th November
Ş	Elevate UOW/Yr 11 SRC	- HSC Examinations	
Friday 4/11/16			
Ş	HSC Exams	# Thu	ırsday 10 th November
Ş	Yr 8 Girls Gala Day		Yr 12 Formal
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Year 10 Welcome to

Senior School Celebration

Thursday, 8th December

Thursday 15th December - HSC Results

Friday 16th December

- ATAR Results



FRANCIS RYAN RESERVE, SANCTUARY POINT SATURDAY 29TH OCTOBER 9.00 AM - 1.00 PM Sanctuary Point - Celebrate - Explore - Play - Discover



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- computers, laptops and tablets
- excursions and camps

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- sports equipment, uniforms and lessons
- music tuition and instrument hire.

You may be eligible if you have a Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card, are at least s8 years old, have some regular income from work (you or your partner) and have a child at school or studyyourself.

Contact Lindi Jamieson-Brown your local Saver Plus Coordinator: 0427 439 234

lindi.jamieson-brown@thesmithfamily.com.au

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NDIS INFORMATION FORUM

Come along to our FREE information forum where we will share our insights, experience and knowledge of the NDIS.

You will gain valuable information that will give you confidence about the NDIS.

Be assured that we are here to support you every step of the way.

All venues are accessible and parking is available

Light refreshments provided

Please confirm your attendance by contacting the DSA Customer Connections team on 1300 372 121 or email customerconnections@dsa.org.au





