

VINCENTIA VIBE - THE VOICE OF OUR SCHOOL

Term 1 Week 8 21/03/2019

Year 7 Camp

Year 7 enjoyed their 3 day camp at Lake Tabourie. Through perseverance and team work students set up camp and dressed up for a Hawaiian Island disco on the first night. They were blessed with perfect weather on Day 2 and enjoyed many activities including sensational surfing lessons producing some amazing smiles! Day 3 was fast paced to fit in the last of our exciting activities; mountain bike riding, putt-putt golf and loads of fun at the park. More surfing, kayaking and a yarn with Mr Brindley on the kangaroo rug.

A HUGE thank you to Mrs Lane and our Year 10 mentors for feeding many hungry campers and to all the camp staff for investing their time and energy into each activity! We are so fortunate to have such amazing members in our school community. Mr Brindley and Ms Corr agree that Year 7 Camp 2019 was a sensational start to the year!

Below is an email that Principal Mr Ken Bates received from other campers:

Dear Sir,

My husband and I are currently holidaying in Holiday Haven Lake Tabourie and when we were informed of the arrival of students, near where we were set up, I must admit we did have reservations of moving on.

I wish to say HOW WRONG WE WERE.

Your dedicated teachers had the students engaged fully in all activities including setting up and dismounting their camp site. Any student we came across showed great respect and had short conversation with us.

Their behaviour in the pool was perfect as was their respect in not disturbing the peace and quiet of outdoor living.

I now look at the site these students occupied and a pristine area is left.

For leadership and respect of others from within your school community, you and your staff, need to be congratulated.

























Taronga Zoo for Work Experience

Year 11 student Eden Roszkiewicz, had an unforgettable week of work experience at Taronga Zoo! Eden said it was very 'hands on' with feeding and handling inexperienced animals that were not used to the human touch, working with the monkeys, farm animals, reptiles and spiders!

Eden who is a senior member of our Alpaca Show Team, is studying Primary Industries for her HSC and hopes to further her studies and work with animals post school.



Parents, caregivers and community members are invited to attend

Vincentia High School's

ANZAC DAY CEREMONY

in the school hall on

Tuesday 9 April at 9.00am



Honour Society Presentation Assembly

This year's Honour Society is recognising our student's achievements and showcasing the skills and talents that have earned them the recognition they deserve. Attendees will be treated to demonstrations, stories and performances across a few select areas of accomplishment this year. Along with the presentation of the awards, on show will be:

- 2018 National Award winning Wakakirri performance presented by Bridget Raftery, Eva MacKay,
 Julia Reimann, Lola Snelling and Jaymee-Lee Joines
- Jeremy Head's experiences on the Kokoda Trail
- Performance by our Senior Rock ensemble comprising of Jessica Langman, Joed Humphris-Castle, Milly Garrett, Jayden Williams, Dylan Wright, Billy Alldis and Mark Seymour; and

A demonstration of our debating team's critical thinking, public speaking and persuasive techniques as they seek to convince us on a special topic on the day

The ceremony will be held on Tuesday 26th March in the school hall, from 9:40-10:40. Parents and guests are encouraged to arrive a 9:30 to secure your seat. Following the ceremony a light lunch will be provided in the Performance Space.

We look forward to seeing you there.



NAPLAN information:

NAPLAN assesses literacy and numeracy – important skills that each child needs to succeed in school and life. The NAPLAN tests are designed to help us make sure students are on track with their literacy and numeracy development. Students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 participate in NAPLAN tests for reading, writing, conventions of language (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and numeracy.

Between 14-24 may 2019, our school will participate in NAPLAN Online. Students do not need to be computer experts to take the NAPLAN test online. Making sure students have computer skills is part of our school curriculum, and our teachers will ensure your child is familiar with the online format. To see the types of questions and interactive features of NAPLAN Online, visit the public demonstration site.

If you have any questions about NAPLAN Online, please contact your child's teacher.

For more info:

How to support your child during NAPLAN information for parents and carers

Watch a video that explains NAPLAN Online
Subscribe to ACARA's monthly parent newsletter, Parent Update

A practice test will be held for Year 9 between 25 March and 5th April. This is a 45 minute test for students to familiarise themselves with the online test platform. Year 7 will not be participating in a practice test as they recently completed the Year 7 Best Start exam which gave them opportunity to experience the online test platform.

More information can be accessed via:

http://educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/wps/portal/nesa/k-10/understanding-the-curriculum/naplan/parents

Careers and Job Vacancy Website

Careers Advisor Mrs McNeil has set up a special website for everything to do with careers and job vacancies. A link to this site can be found on the Vincentia High School Website under the Supporting our Students > Careers tab. The site will include the careers newsletter and be updated weekly, you can make it your one stop shop for careers news!

The website link is:

http://www.vincentiahighschoolcareers.com/

Sporting News

We've had a busy few weeks in sport with many exciting achievements. Congratulations to the following students on their success in these events:

Regional Swimming Carnival

12yr girls and boys, 15yr and open girls relay and a large number of individuals are off to compete at State in the coming weeks!



Rugby League

Open and 15yr boys competed in the round Shoalhaven Zone Gala Day, beating Ulladulla and Bomaderry.

Congratulations to **Jeffery Carter**, **Jay Russoniello**, **Andrew Starr and Bailey Sassell** on gaining a spot to trial for the South Coast team next week!

Soccer

Open boys and open women won their first round of CHS beating Shoalhaven High School 6-0.

Girls Futsal

Played in a strong pool and were competitive and showed great VHS spirit.

Tennis

Ryan Balfort played exceptionally well over the 2 days CHS State Championships.

Golf

Good luck to both **Daniel Marsden and Issac Brandley** competing in the South Coast Schools golf tournament this week.

Volleyball

Open boys and girls teams played with the girls winning one game.

Basketball

Both open boys and girls teams travelled to Bomaderry to compete in the Shoalhaven Zone Gala Day. Girls played hard with a limited amount of players, whilst the boys were competitive with a well-structured team, with 1 win and a loss.



Celebrating our school spirit!

The values of Vincentia High School are

Respect, Responsibility & Personal Best





Natalie Went Mitchell Jones James Taylor Saphira Webber Matthew Neal Erin Steeles

Blake Elson Sean Lynn Alyssa Head

Troy Carey Charlotte Franco

Drew Charles Bridget Raftey

Lilli Shaw Ryan Cole

Tobi Carroll Eadie Waring

Grant Avery Harmony Dyer Ryan Phillips

Ella Lawrence

Lucy Swanson

These values can be shown in many ways within the school community.

It is these actions of our students we, as a school, are proud of and wish to acknowledge.

Each week during the Wellbeing period students from any year, will receive a FREE movie ticket to the Huskisson Cinema as recognition of their Vincentia High School spirit.

Tickets have been very generously donated to the school by

Integrity Real Estate Jervis Bay

and Huskisson Cinema



in recognition of our school values.

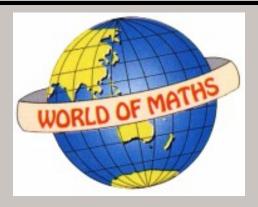
Congratulations to our winners!

An important message from Nowra Coaches for students and parents

Please follow this link to the Bus Safety Awareness Brochure and interactive road safety education which outlines requirements for students and parents when boarding and alighting buses, along with road use and parental supervision.

We are seeing an increase in students ignoring repeat driver instruction to not cross in front of buses after alighting. This action is life threatening and falls within the "highly dangerous" behaviour and will result in suspension of the student/s.

https://roadsafety.transport.nsw.gov.au/.../bus-safety-school... https://www.safetytown.com.au/



WORLD OF MATHS ROADSHOW

Numeracy is a compulsory component of our curriculum, and to make numeracy fun and relevant to our students, we have arranged for the 'World of Maths Roadshow' to visit our school on Wednesday 3rd April 2019 for our Year 7 students. The World of Maths Roadshow is an ideal opportunity for students to see how maths is applied to some real life situations.

More importantly, students will be engaged in hands-on activities that will cater for all ability levels and probe their problem solving skills. It is a highly engaging session which will show the students that Maths can be fun!

PROCEDURES FOR THE USE OF MOBILE PHONES

BACKGROUND

Vincentia High School acknowledges that students may need to be in possession of a mobile phone for reasons of safety in travelling to and from school.

AIM

To ensure the continuity of an effective learning environment uninterrupted by the distraction of mobile phones (or other electronic devices) and to eliminate the threat, or likelihood of any threat, to the safety or wellbeing of any person.

OBJECTIVES

- 1. To ensure all staff, students, parents/caregivers are familiar with the policy and procedures.
- 2. To ensure that quality teaching and learning in the classroom is not hampered by irresponsible behaviour.
- 3. To eliminate inappropriate use of mobile phones so that they could be used to bully, intimidate or otherwise harass others through any SMS or text message, photographic, video or other data transfer system available on the phone.

IMPLEMENTATION

- 1. Procedures distributed to all staff and explained at a staff meeting. Future staff meetings used to reinforce the procedures.
- 2. Parents/Caregivers informed of procedures by email, website and social media.
- 3. Deputy Principals conduct year meetings to explain and distribute copies of procedures.
- 4. If a student wishes to bring a mobile phone, (i.e. for contact with parents whilst travelling to and from school) then the phone must be switched off from the time the student enters onto school grounds until the student leaves the school grounds at the conclusion of the school day. During this time, it is recommended that the phone be kept in a discreet place within the student's school bag and that it should not be removed during the entire school day. This applies to all school activities whether at camp, on excursion, attending sport, carnivals or other such events.
- 5. If a student is found with a mobile phone, or device in their hand or on display at **ANY** time during the day, then on first instance
 - (a) the teacher will give a note to the student to take the item to the Deputy Principal.
 - (b) receipt of the item will be recorded on a record by the Deputy Principal and a return to class note provided to the student.
 - (c) the student will be required to collect the item at the end of the school day

If this should occur a second time, the student shall receive a lunch detention.

A third infringement will lead to an after school detention supervised by the Deputy Principal.

Repeated failure to observe this school requirement will lead to the confiscation of the device to be collected by a parent of the student and consideration of school suspension for persistent misbehavior for failing to observe school rules.

- **6.** The usual communication between teachers and parents regarding illness, property, messages, emergencies or school issues remains via the front office.
- 7. The school can accept no responsibility for the security or care of mobile phones, or other electronic devices that are brought to school. These items are brought to school at the owner's risk.

Vincentia High School Web Store



Web store is now open
Click to purchase online and pick up in store

http://daylightsportswear.com/vincentia

We accept credit card payment through Paypal

Please pick up your purchase from the school uniform shop and be mindful of the hours below for pickup. We are going bag free, so please bring your own bag.

If you order after 10.30am Thursday the order will not be ready for pick up until 9.30am Tuesday

We do not offer home delivery at this stage

Shop hours to pick up order:

TUESDAY:

7:45am - 10:30am

WEDNESDAY:

7:45am - 10:30am

THURSDAY:

7:45am - 10:30am

You can choose different sizes when you come in to pick up, if the one in your order does not fit.

Please bring a copy of your Paypal receipt as proof of payment.

P&C Meeting

Our P&C meet once per term to discuss important issues about the school, they are also responsible for the management of the canteen. The next meeting will be held on Monday 27 May at 6pm in the front office meeting room. The positions of Secretary and Treasurer are still vacant, if you would like to be part of this dynamic team please email the President Louise Marr at: vincentiahighpc@gmail.com or come along to the meeting, we would love to see you!

NAPLAN 2019

NAPLAN will be delivered to Years 7& 9 students from 14 May – 24 May 2019.

For more information see the fact sheet below:

NAPLAN parent fact sheet

New Detention Policy

Dear Parents and Caregivers

After much consideration and consultation we will be commencing with a new discipline procedure at school to assist students in correcting their behaviour. When a student breaches our school discipline code in class or is persistently misbehaving, their teacher may place them on detention at recess or lunch that day or the next day available. It is the responsibility of the student to attend that detention and be counselled by the teacher in regards to expectations within that particular learning environment. If the student attends the detention as expected, there should be no further consequence.

However, if the student forgets to attend or chooses not to;

- They will be issued with a second detention. It should be clear that this second detention does not replace the first but is additional. The student must now attend both teacher detentions. If they do there are no further consequences.
- If they choose not to attend or forget to attend they will now be issued with a Head Teacher detention in addition to the two teacher detentions. This has an accumulative effect where extra detentions are added each time students do not attend their detention, they do not supersede or replace the existing detentions. If the student attends the Head Teacher detention they will be counselled by the Head Teacher on their actions that have led to this detention and will still be required to complete the two Teacher detentions.
- If a student fails to attend the Head Teacher detention they will be issued with a second Head Teacher detention that is added to the previously issued detentions. At this point, the total number of detentions the student must attend is four, two teacher and two Head Teacher.
- If a student refuses to attend any of the Head Teacher detentions they will be placed on a Deputy Principal detention which will occur after school from 2.30pm until 3.20pm on either a Tuesday or a Thursday. This Deputy Principal's afterschool detention does not replace the other detentions but instead is added to them.
- If a student fails to attend a Deputy Principal detention they will be issued with a second Deputy Principal's afterschool detention and a formal caution of suspension for continued disobedience.
- If, after being issued with two Deputy Principal's detentions, a student fails to attend they may be suspended. Upon return from suspension as a part of their successful resolution of the suspension they will be required to attend all detentions they had failed to attend.
- Serious breaches of our school discipline code may result in Head Teacher or Deputy Principal's detentions being issued directly. Parents will be informed that their child has been placed on a Deputy Principal's afterschool detention at least the day prior to the Tuesday or Thursday detention. No 'After School Detentions' will be issued on the same day. After school detentions will commence Tuesday 13 November 2018.

We rely on parental support in the disciplinary actions we need to take to ensure your child's school is a safe, inclusive and happy place of learning and that the students who attend Vincentia High School can learn without the distraction of poor behaviour from other students. We constantly require students to be respectful, take responsibility for their actions and always strive to achieve their personal best.

If you would like to discuss this further I am happy to speak about it at the P&C meeting, or you may make an appointment by calling 4441 6766.

Yours sincerely

Mr Ken Bates

Principal

November 5, 2018

Term 1, 2019

Thursday 21/03/2019

Senior Boys Soccer match Round 2 pds 2-6 Mr Ryan

Immunisation Clinic Year 7

Support - Sailability Pd 3 - 6

Gumbari - Painting Mural Pd 3 - 6 Mr Mason

Gumbari - Terara Farm all day Tamara Sharp

Friday 22/03/2019

Industry Visit -Wily Wonka Costume Study Capitol Theatre all day Ms C McIntyre

Gumbari - Unicorn Cheese Pd 1 - 4 Mr Mason

Monday 25/03/2019

International Mathematical Modelling Challenge / In VHS Library J Still Pd 3-4 / Yr 9-11

Practice NAPLAN Tests - Year 7 and 9

Tuesday 26/03/2019

International Mathematical Modelling Challenge / In VHS Library J Still pd 3-4 Yr 9-11

Practice NAPLAN Tests - Year 7 and 9

Sailing On Sydney Harbour Rushcutters Bay Sydney J Whitehouse Support / All Day / Yr 7-12

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Wednesday 27/03/2019

International Mathematical Modelling Challenge / In VHS Library J Still pd 3-4 Yr 9-11

Practice NAPLAN Tests - Year 7 and 9

Lucas Heights ANSTO Excursion Year 11/12 Physics/
 Chemistry - A. Tabone.

Body in Focus Elective - Weekly Gym Sessions

Thursday 28/03/2019

International Mathematical Modelling Challenge / In VHS Library J Still pd 3-4 Yr 9-11

Practice NAPLAN Tests - Year 7 and 9

Senior Girls Soccer match Round 1 Huskisson Oval all day Mr Ryan

Support - Sailability Pd 3 - 6

Gumbari - Painting Mural Pd 3 - 6 Mr Mason

Gumbari - Terara Farm all day Tamara Sharp

Friday 29/03/2019

International Mathematical Modelling Challenge / In VHS Library J Still pd 3-4 Yr 9-11

Practice NAPLAN Tests - Year 7 and 9

Monday 01/04/2019

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Yr 10 Work Experience

Tuesday 02/04/2019

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SCHOOL CONTACTS

K Bates Principal

S Starkey Deputy Principal

(Years 7 & 10)

S Flanigan Deputy Principal

(Years 8 & 11)

K Newton Deputy Principal (Rel)

(Years 9 & 12)

H/T Senior School

S Clark Deputy Principal

Support & Special

Programs

T Johnson Warnecke School Administration

Manager

M McNeil Careers Advisor/VET

P Greyling Head Teacher WellBeing

M Swanson Head Teacher Admin

Teachers

G Brindley Head Teacher Admin

(Students)

J Holloway Fry Head Teacher English

(Rel)

J Still Head Teacher

Mathematics (Rel)

K Tololeska Head Teacher Science (Rel)

L Ryder Head Teacher CAPA

E Salahi Head Teacher HSIE

A. Newton Head Teacher TAS

P Raftery Head Teacher PDHPE

M Amor Head Teacher Sport

M Goerlach Head Teacher Support

(Rel)

J Scott Head Teacher Gumbari

T Smith Head Teacher LaSP

K Lane Head Teacher Ganya

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