

Hunter River High School News

Quality Relationships, Quality Learning

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Hi there from the Principal!

HRHS - Harmony, Respect, Honesty, Success – our core values. I take great pride in the values of our school, mostly because this is what we are increasingly seeing displayed on a daily basis by our students. We regularly receive praise and acknowledgement about the students in our school with reports from many sources about just how great students are when we have visitors to our school and when our students leave our school.

Through **Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)**, our staff and students have embraced consistency in behaviour and general expectations. Every three weeks our students enjoy PBL lessons that clearly outline our values and the expected behaviours. We have all enjoyed an increase in commendations and gotchas for positive behaviour and a decrease in referrals and suspensions.

We love to reward positive behaviour and do so regularly in the following ways:

- Commendations – Bronze, Silver & Gold Awards,
- Gotchas,
- Student of the Week,
- Weekly 100% attendance draw,
- Staff are requested to make a positive phone call home to at least one parent each week, and
- Our annual Reward Excursion.

At times our staff need to contact families due to concerns. We do this to keep you informed and to allow us to work together to support your child/children. Our job is to look after and educate your child and at HRHS we take great pride in how we do this. Please call us if you have concerns. A first point of call should be your child's Year Advisor. More serious concerns may need to be dealt with by the Deputy Principal.



Hunter River High School
P&C Meeting
Tuesday 26 August 2014 at 7.00pm
Venue: Library
Refreshments available– All Welcome

The P & C meets on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 7.00pm in the school library, come along and be involved in the future of your child's school.

Please remember, if you have concerns, we can only address them when we are aware of them. If your child asks you not to discuss an issue, please remember that we are only able to assist to sort out or minimise concerns when we know about them. Our staff are highly experienced in doing this successfully.

RYDA Program

On Friday 8 August our Year 11 students attended the RYDA program at Tocal. RYDA is a series of powerful and practical workshops that aim to change the way young people think about road safety. Some Year 11 student quotes – “Accidents affect more than just you”, “Road safety saves lives”, “You only get one chance at life so don't do anything you'll regret” and “It was a real eye opener and gave us an insight into how serious wrong decisions can be”.

Thank you to the Rotary Club of Rutherford/Telarah for the organisation and providing significant funds, Raymond Terrace Rotary Club for the lunch and Jo Sepos from a local business who kindly donated the funds to pay for two coaches to transport our students. Without this support our students may not have been able to attend.

Focus On Learning – Mrs Mel Naylor has now taken on this role in the school and returned to her Head Teacher HSIE position. I look forward to sharing some of the great initiatives that will occur in our school to continue to improve the quality of teaching and learning that takes place.

Deputy Principal – Mrs Christine Reilly is now relieving Deputy Principal for Years 7, 9 & 11.

*Mrs Deb Dibley
Relieving Principal*



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STUDENT ABSENCES

When replying to the SMS sent out from the school to advise of a student's absence, please reply with the student's full name (first and last names) and also the reason for the student being absent.

If you have more than one child who attends HRHS please ensure that you advise which child/ren are absent and the year/s that they are in.



DATES FOR THE DIARY

2014

Term 3

August 22	Year 10 Decision Day
August 25-29	Year 11 Work Placement 2
August 26	P&C Meeting
September 1-5	VET Work Placement
September 9	Parent/ Teacher/ Student interviews From 4pm-7pm
September 11	Year 7 Girls and Boys Vaccinations Year 9 Boys Vaccinations
September 12-18	Year 11 Exams
September 19	Year 12 Presentation Assembly

Term 4:

October 6	Labour Day Public Holiday
October 7	Students and Staff return to school.
October 13	HSC Commences
October 17	Yakka Day– Years 8-11
October 20-24	Years 7-10 Assessment Week
October 28	P&C Meeting
November 3-7	VET Work Placement
November 7	HSC Concludes
November 10-14	Work Placement 3
November 11-14	Year 10 Gold Coast Excursion
November 14	Year 6-7 Vulnerable Student Day
November 17-21	VET Work Placement
November 17	Year 6-7 ATSI Transition Day
November 21	Jump Start Training Year 6-7 Small Schools Transition
November 25	P&C Meeting
November 27-28	Year 10 Oral Presentations
November 27	Roll Call Reward Lunch
December 4	Sports Award Assembly
December 12	Presentation Day Assembly Reports Distributed
December 16	Success Rewards Day
December 17	HSC results released
December 18-19	Staff Development Day NO STUDENTS TO ATTEND

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Student of the week for: **HARMONY**

Name: Kate Curry

Year: 10

Nominated by: Mrs Drayton

Reason for nomination:

Kate has been assisting with the Numeracy Challenge each week.



Student of the week for: **RESPECT**

Name: Jacob Givney

Year: 10

Nominated by: Mrs Carroll

Reason for nomination:

Jacob provided excellent assistance with technology in the CAPA staffroom.



Student of the week for: **HONESTY**

Name: Carley Minns

Year: 10

Nominated by: Mrs Beasley

Reason for nomination:

Carley found a lost phone and returned it.



Student of the week for: **SUCCESS**

Name: Nicholas Baker

Year: 7

Nominated by: Mr Dibley

Reason for nomination:

Nicholas has completed his current Year 7 Mathematics topic ahead of schedule with top marks, and starting Year 8 extension work.



ACHIEVEMENTS

Camel Racing

Student Report By: Larissa Smith

In the past Camel Racing has not be a very well known sport. These days, it is becoming more recognised and has started taking off in Australia. Currently in Australia there are approximately five weeks of professional camel races, charity events and movie events.

A group of 10 Cameleers including myself went to Sydney for a 'Christmas in July' for charity. All the camel jockey's and handlers have grown up around horses, so dealing with such large animals comes naturally. Riding a camel however, is different from riding a horse, it's rough, but it's certainly a thrill to do, and something that I think will become more popular!

At the most recent event '7 News' and the 'Today Show' came to Sydney to interview the team of cameleers.

Camels are cool!



CULTURAL ROOM

Change Your Outlook Program

Congratulations to Ngateika Stamp who has been made one of the public faces of Port Stephens Council's Change Your Outlook Program. The program promotes awareness of the employment opportunities within the Council. Ngateika, who has a school-based traineeship with the Council, is featured on a beautiful promotional banner displayed in the Council foyer.



Aboriginal Dance Group

Our dancers continue to build strong links with the community. Tracy Jones, Kirran Shearer and 8 students visited Buladelah Central School, Tea Gardens Public and Anna Bay Public Schools. Students danced, and then taught and performed a dance with students from each school, while Kirran played the didgeridoo.



I-proud Program

Congratulations to Glenn Potter who has been accepted into the i-proud program. Run by the NSW Police, this is part of the pre-selection process leading to a career in the Police Force.

Coming Up

- The acquisition of 9 ipads for the Cultural Room will enable senior students to develop their research skills



- Aboriginal language lessons will commence from Week 5.
- Our talented Auntie Lynne, with some student helpers, have started to paint a mural and door for the Cultural room.



We look forward to completing another successful term.

MATHEMATICS NEWS

By the numbers

Free Maths Tutoring– Thursday Afternoons

On Thursday 7 August (Week 4) we well and truly smashed our attendance record during our award winning free tutorial. Can I congratulate the 43 students who were present as well as acknowledge the dedication of the Mathematics faculty staff for their efforts in going above and beyond in helping the students of Hunter River High.

HSC around the corner

At the time of writing this article there was exactly 2 months, 11 days, 2 hours, 33 minutes and 24 seconds until the Mathematics examinations begin. All students are encouraged to develop and maintain a rigorous study plan and seek support at school whenever required.

What's happening inside our classrooms this month?

Over the next month, students at HRHS will be learning about the following topics:

Year 7	Students have been introduced to the concept of using mathematics to calculate the probability of an event occurring. They will soon be revising and extending their knowledge of fraction & decimals.
Year 8	Students have been working on how to analyse data displayed in various graphical displays using measures such as the mean, median, mode and range. They will then be furthering their studies of the applications of probability to simple real world events.
Year 9 5.1/2/3	Students have been learning about linear relationships and how they are graphed on a number plane using algebraic equations. They will soon be learning about how to calculate surface areas and volumes of solids. Students access the above knowledge at a different levels depending on the level of mathematics they study.

Year 10 5.1	Students have been learning about Trigonometry and how it is used to calculate missing side lengths and angles in right-angle triangles. Students are working from booklets with embedded literacy components that aim to consolidate their ability to be literate in Mathematics.
Year 10 5.2	Students have been learning how to solve equations of varying difficulty and then how to calculate side lengths and angle sizes of right-angle triangles using trigonometry.
Year 10 5.3	Students have been studying surds, and then will be learning how to expand and factorise algebraic expressions. Both these topics are fundamental for advanced mathematics in senior school.
Year 11 Mathematics General	Students have been learning about how the probability of an event occurring can be calculated from experimental results. They have also been learning about systematic ways to record their results. They will soon be learning about financial mathematics and taxation.
Year 11 Mathematics	Students are studying advanced application of coordinate geometry and then will be introduced to calculus.
Year 11 IPT	Year 11 Information Processes and Technology students are engaged in their major group projects, due week 8, as well as finishing their studies of the 7 processes and associated technology for the final examination at the end of term.
Year 12 Mathematics General 1	Students have been working on a Pre-apprenticeship Proficiencies module of their choosing to help prepare them for the work force.
Year 12 Mathematics General 2	Students have been studying Spherical Geometry which includes distances between locations on the Earth's surfaces and calculating relevant time differences. They will then be learning about how data is collected and analysed in society.
Year 12 Mathematics	Revision for HSC
Year 12 IPT	Revision for HSC

NUMERACY BY NECESSITY

We Count too!

As part of an effort to keep parents informed of the importance of numeracy in the workplace, each month we will be featuring the numeracy demands in different sectors of employment. If your child is interested in the area of **Business Services** the following table may be of interest to you. We have additional resources at school for students heading towards employment in a wide range of trades, hospitality & retail opportunities. Further information can be found at the Mathematics staffroom.

	Travel Consultant	Secretary (General)	School Support Officer	Receptionist	Project Officer	Personal Assistant	Office Administrator	Medical Records Officer	Manager Information Services	Logistics Clerk	Legal Secretary	Inspectors & Regulatory Officers	Health & Safety Assistant/Health & Safety Representative	Executive Officer	Data Entry Operator	Customer Service Representative	Administrative Officer	Accounts Clerk
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Divide																		
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Statistics	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Graphs	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
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Standard deviation							*		*	*								
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Compound Interest																		
Pythagoras																		
Trigonometry																		
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Angles																		
Mapping and directions							*		*	*								*

PD/H/PE NEWS

By Miss Jones

And we're off and running....

We're at the half way mark for Term 3 which will see new practical units explored and knowledge on theoretical topics further developed.

Year 7 Learning about drug use. Dance or Sport Search	Year 8 Learning about drug use. Sport Search
Year 9 Learning about mental health. Invasion Games (Touch Football, Netball & Soccer)	Year 10 Learning about the challenges of living in the 21st century. Sport Search

Students in Year 7-10 have or will be completing the Sport Search Unit in Term 3 or Term 4 during their practical lessons. The sport search program consists of a number of fitness tests assessing endurance, speed, agility, power and coordination. The results from these fitness tests and anthropometric measurements are entered into the Sport Search Software which produces a list of recommended sports for an individual based on their performances.

THE LEARNING CENTRE (TLC)

The Learning Centre (TLC) is now open for business in G2. Students are able to access this room for support in completing assignments, assessment tasks and research. Teachers may also send students to TLC to complete missed tests or missed classwork. Students who require Special Provisions (separate supervision, readers, writers and extra time etc) can also complete exams in TLC.

To attend TLC, students must have their classroom teachers permission to attend during class time. This service is limited throughout the week, but expanded on a Friday when The Community Tutoring Program runs during periods 1 to 4.

Students who come to TLC and book in, will be given priority as the number of students in the room at any one time, is limited.

Look forward to seeing you in TLC

Mrs Kennewell, Mrs Olds and Ms Milne

DAY	Period 1	Period 2	Period 3	Period 4	Period 5
1		Learning Centre		Learning Centre	
2	Learning Centre	Learning Centre			
3	Learning Centre			Learning Centre	
4			Learning Centre		
5	Learning Centre	Learning Centre	Learning Centre	Learning Centre	
6		Learning Centre			Learning Centre
7		Learning Centre		Learning Centre	
8	Learning Centre				
9			Learning Centre	Learning Centre	
10	Learning Centre	Learning Centre	Learning Centre	Learning Centre	

CCWR EXCURSION

Student Report by: Jessica Andrews

On 14 August Mrs Van Ede took Renae Andrews, Breanna Franks, Jay Barber and I to visit Cedar Creek Wombat Rescue (CCWR) which we raised money for at the end of Term 2. We raised a total of \$427.55 to help Kev and Roz the owners of CCWR continue their great work which is saving and caring for injured wombats.

We drove up a dirt road which lead us to CCWR headquarters. When we got out of the car we were greeted by an emu.

Kev and Roz welcomed us with open arms. They showed us some wombats and we even got to hold them! There was one massive wombat that Roz had to actually lift up for me because he was so heavy!

They showed us around the property and told us the names of the wombats and the history of them. Some of the stories that they told us made us sad, as we couldn't believe what some people do to animals.

We went into a little sectioned off garden area and then it was time to play with the baby wombats. They were amazing! My favourite was "Boo" which was actually the smallest wombat that they had. We also had the opportunity to bottle feed the babies.

We would like to give a big thanks to Kev and Roz for making us feel very welcome and for the opportunity to interact with the wombats. Also a big thank you to Mrs Van Ede for a great day!

Mrs Van Ede would like to thank Jessica Andrews, Renae Andrews, Jay Barber and Breanna Franks for their wonderful behaviour, attitude and manners displayed during the excursion.

Special thank you needs to go to Jessica and Renae Andrews for making the amazing wombat cake!



CANTEEN NEWS

Please find your copy of our winter menu on the following page.

Traditional canteen food is available every day at the canteen.

- Potato and Plain pies \$3.00
- Sausage rolls \$1.50
- Spinach & Ricotta rolls \$2.00

(All of our pies, sausage rolls and spinach and ricotta rolls are of the "low fat" variety)

- Add tomato, Bbq or sweet chilli sauce for only \$0.30 each.
- A delicious hamburger will cost you \$4.00.



Forgotten your lunch?

See Mr McLennan (Relieving Head Teacher Welfare) for a voucher to get your lunch at the canteen and pay the next day.

2014/2015 ENTERTAINMENT BOOK



The 2014/2015 Entertainment Book is still available for purchase. The cost for the entertainment book is still only \$60 and can be paid for at Admin 1.

When the entertainment books are delivered, they can be collected from Mrs McCosker in the TAS staffroom.

FACEBOOK

HRHS now has a facebook page. Have you had the opportunity to 'like' it yet?

We will be using our page to keep our school community up-to-date with important information and all of the positive things happening.

To find our page search for:
"Hunter River High School"





Prices subject to
market changes

Farm produce used *



CANTEEN MENU

RhyTHms Café - Winter Menu and Price List

Breakfast

	Cost
Fresh Fruit in season – (v) (g) from	0.50
Cheese and Bacon Rolls	1.00
Low Fat muffins (chocolate/blueberry/apple)	1.50
Hot Chocolate	1.50
Up n Go Choc Vanilla Strawberry Caramel	1.50
Toasted sandwiches	
ham/cheese tomato/cheese (v)	2.00
Cheeseburgers	2.50
Egg* & Bacon Burger	2.50
Warm Banana Bread	2.50
Up n Go Energize Choc Ice Coffee Vanilla	2.50

Hot food Menu (reduced fat varieties)

Cup a Soup – varieties	1.00
Garlic Bread (v)	1.00
Spring Rolls	1.50
Sausage rolls	1.50
Mash Potato & Gravy (v)	2.00
Spinach & Ricotta Rolls (v)	2.00
Chicken fingers	2.00
Mammee Noodle Cups Beef or Chicken	2.50
Chicken & gravy rolls	2.50
Pizza – Meat lovers, H&P Margareta, supreme	2.50
Pasta bake	2.50
Lasagne	3.00
Plain pies	3.00
Potato Pies	3.00
Chicken chilli tenders	3.00
Chicken Burger – lettuce, mayo, chicken patty	3.00
Fish Burger – fish piece lettuce, mayo	3.00
Hamburger – Lettuce, tomato, cheese, beetroot,	
Low fat meat patty - bbq sauce	4.00
Hot Chicken Wrap – lettuce tomato cheese	
BBQ or Chilli sauce	4.00

Snacks

Sauce BBQ or TOMATO	0.30
Jelly cups	0.50
Popcorn (g)	0.50
Chocolate Mousse (g)	1.00
Red Rock Chips (v)	1.20
Grain Waves –sour cream	1.20

Sandwiches

Salad sandwich (V)	2.50
C L M – chicken lettuce and mayo	2.00
Egg* and Lettuce & mayo (V)	2.00
Salmon Lettuce and mayo sandwich (v)	2.00
Ham & Cheese & tomato	2.00

and Rolls

Salad Rolls – lettuce tomato beetroot cheese	
carrot cucumber onion with mayo (v)	3.50
Chicken salad roll with mayo	4.00
Ham salad roll with mayo	4.00

and Wraps

Salad wrap – lettuce, tomato, cheese, carrot mayo	3.50
Chicken salad wrap Or Ham salad wrap	4.00

and Salads -(v)(g) Please order

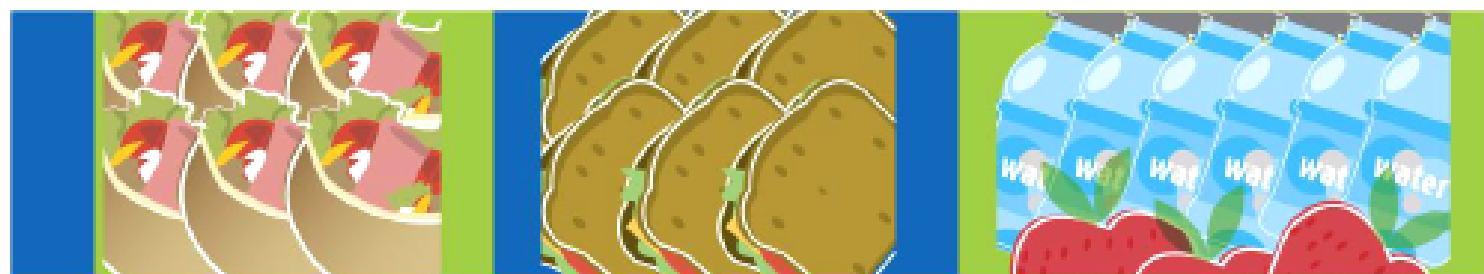
Salad Box – lettuce, tomato, cucumber, onion	
Carrot, boiled egg*, shredded cheese, mayo	3.00
With: Chicken Or Ham Or Salmon	4.00

Drinks

Water	600ml	1.00	1.5 litre	2.00
Slush Puppies all flavours				2.00
500ml Kakao chocolate milk				3.00
375 Dairy Farmers Classic - Flavoured milk				2.00
300ml Moove –choc, strawberry, banana				1.50
Milk shots				0.60
Jucy Isle Poppers – Orange, Apple ABC				1.50

Ice creams and ice blocks

A variety of products ranging in price from 0.50 to 2.00
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Open Days - 2014

**Prospective Students and their families are invited
to visit the College during the School holidays.**

***Dates:* Friday, 26th September and 3rd October**

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| • Morning Tea | 10.00 am |
| • Talk on courses and employment opportunities | 10.30 am |
| • Lunch available (\$10.00) - Please Book | 12.00 noon |
| • Tour of College Farms | 1.00 pm |
| • Conclusion | 2.30 - 3.00 pm |

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NEW!! Now running

WOMEN'S BOXING FOR FITNESS

Wednesday 5:15 – 6:15pm 13yrs+

BASKETBALL TRAINING

Monday 3:45 - 4:30 pm 6-9yrs

Monday 4:30 – 5:15 pm 10-12yrs

Monday 5:15 – 6:00 pm 13-16yrs

Cost \$6 per session

BASKETBALL COMP

Monday 6:00 – 8:00pm 13-16yrs

Registration Day Monday 18th August

Cost \$70 for 10 week competition

FUTSAL SKILLS SESSIONS (commencing 21st August)

Thursday 3:45 – 4:30pm 6-9yrs

Thursday 4:30 – 5:15pm 10-13yrs

Cost \$6 per session

FUTSAL COMP

Registration day Thursday 2nd October

Cost \$70 for 10 week Competition

All participants must be PCYC Members

Register here <https://www.activecarrot.net/public/contract/application/150>

All participants must register interest prior to commencement
by calling the club on 4981 3099



HUNTER RIVER HIGH SCHOOL

Illness or Misadventure Appeal Form

Name: _____

Date: _____ **Subject:** _____

Class Teacher: _____ **Date Scheduled:** _____

Nature of assessment task (e.g. essay) _____

Reasons for Failure To Meet Requirements

If work is late, give a detailed explanation of why the date for completion could not be met. If absent (or feel that your performance has been affected by illness/misadventure) explain the nature of the absence and attach any documentary evidence you have to support your request.

Signature Student: _____ **Date:** _____

Signature Parent: _____ **Date:** _____

Please return to class teacher or Head Teacher no later than one week after the scheduled date of the Assessment Task.

Class Teacher Recommendation: _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Head Teacher Recommendation: _____

Refer to Assessment Appeal Panel Yes ☐ No ☐

Student Request for an Appeal/Review Yes ☐ No ☐

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Appeal Panel Decision: _____

Principal/Deputy Principal _____ BOS Contact _____

Year Adviser _____ Head Teacher _____

This form to be filed on completion by the Deputy Principal



HUNTER RIVER HIGH SCHOOL – STUDENT ABSENTEE NOTE

Please feel free to use this form note when your child is either **LATE** or **ABSENT** from school

Student's Name : _____ Year (Please circle): 7 8 9 10 11 12

Roll Class : _____ Date/s Absent (Include all dates) : _____

Reason for Absence (Please indicate reasons for absences to enable the student's record to be altered accordingly) :

Parent/Guardian Signature : _____ Date : _____

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