



Bulli High School Newsletter

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Upcoming Events

Wednesday 14th September
P&C Meeting at 7pm

Thursday 15th September
15's Boys Basketball game
Meet the Music 4

Tuesday 20th September
F1 in School's Illawarra Regional Final
Year 7/8 Girls Touch competition at Dalton
Park

Thursday 22nd September
Year 12 Picnic Day at Cataract Dam
Year 9 Bronze Duke of Ed qualifying hike
Seacliff CoS Debating

Friday 23rd September
Year 12 Graduation Day Assembly
Year 9 Bronze Duke of Ed qualifying hike
End of Term 3

Tuesday 4th – 7th October
Year 11 Melbourne Science Excursion

Monday 10th October
Term 4 Commences for all Staff and Students

P & C dates for 2016

(2nd Wednesday of the month)

7pm in the Staff Common Room

Term 3: 14th September
Term 4: 12th October, 9th November,
14th December

Principal's report

As we near the end of Term 3, I am enjoying the many opportunities I have as Principal to be extremely proud of the outstanding achievements of staff and students of Bulli High School. This newsletter is a celebration of the broad curriculum available to our students.

North Wollongong Staff Recognition Awards

Along with Ms Lang and Mr Nousis, I had the pleasure of attending the North Wollongong Staff Recognition Awards held in July. Each primary and high school recognised a staff member or team of staff for making a positive difference to student learning. It was an honour to see Mrs Leanne Hicks recognised for her contribution to Aboriginal Education at Bulli High School. Mrs Hicks is pictured with Ms Debbie Lowe, Director Public Schools Wollongong North.



Woonona Bowling Club Year 10 Essay Awards

Congratulations to the following students from Year 10 who were awarded financial scholarships.

1st = Ally Thomas

2nd = Ashleigh Walker

3rd = Bree Grose

4th = Clodhna Maguire

See Ms Gardiner's report later in this newsletter.

Bell Times Survey

Thank you to all students, parents and staff who completed the online survey. The survey is now closed. We received hundreds of responses and the overall majority were in favour of the change of bell times. I have passed this information onto the bus company.

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Proud member of the
Seacliff Community of Schools



*We acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we live and work and pay our respect to
Aboriginal elders past, present and future*

Respect - Responsibility - Integrity



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- Enter your name and email as requested and follow the prompts
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Wednesday: 8.30am – 3.15pm

Student Absences

If your child is absent from school, please notify the office by calling 4284 8266 extension 4 and following the prompts.

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Thank you Wollongong Council

Wollongong Council has completed a significant amount of pruning on the oval revealing the stumps on the cricket pitches, a netball pole and the cutting back the overhanging branches which had caused a heavy erosion of the running track.



Southern Stars

Congratulations to the students who performed in, or worked back-stage at Southern Stars. What a fantastic celebration of the talents of our students and teachers and those of local government schools in the Illawarra. Particular thanks goes to Mrs Karyn Evans our Dance and LOTE teacher for her commitment and dedication.

HSC Practical Exams and Major Works

Bulli HS enjoys enormous community support which was evident with the number of family members who attended the HSC Visual Arts, Drama and Music evenings which showcased our students' major works. What a pool of student talent!

Year 12

Year 12 parents and family are invited to the Year 12 Final Assembly on Friday 23rd September at 10am. Invitations have been given to students.

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Year 12 have now completed their studies and are putting their final HSC exam preparation into place. Last week I met with Year 12 and stressed how it is never too late to make a positive difference to their results regardless of their final school assessment or subject ranks. The HSC exams are supervised by an external Presiding Officer and their team. Prior to the final day, Year 12 students will be provided with the BOSTES exam protocols and expectations.

Over the last three Fridays, Year 12 students have taken on the teachers at different sports. Thank you to Mrs Josh for organising and I will leave it to her to announce the winning side.

I am including the statement of expectation that I wrote in the August newsletter and which has been reinforced with Year 12.

The expectation is also, that students behave and act in a manner that makes their teachers, the school and the community proud to enable them to graduate with their peers and attend the Year 12 Formal. Students who engage in poor, unruly, aggressive, intimidating or disruptive behaviour may have their graduation and formal privileges withdrawn. All students from Years 7 to 12, all teachers and school staff have the right to a safe, secure and uninterrupted learning and working environment. The Year 12 Adviser, Ms Peta Josh and Deputy Principal, Mr Neave have organised the final week of the term to ensure that Year 12 have a memorable yet safe end to their time at high school. A *Final Countdown* of expectations, events and commitments will be distributed to and discussed with students.

We wish all our HSC students all the best in their exams and future endeavours and look forward to seeing family at the Graduation ceremony.

[Student Leadership Team 2017](#)

This last week saw Year 11 students and teachers vote in the elections of the 2017 School Captains. It was a very strong field and Mr Pember and I congratulated all candidates for standing. As part of the election process all candidates presented their speeches to their peers and later to the staff. A big thank you goes to Mr Pember for his co-ordination of the elections. The induction ceremony will be held in Term 4. Congratulations to all successful candidates:

Captains: Zoe Lewis, Hamish Bell

Vice Captains: Kara Donald, Jake Hodgson

Senior Executive: Maeve Couch, Jared Roberts

[Early Leavers](#)

Students and parents are reminded of the process that is to be followed if a student needs to leave school early on any day. The recent very wet weather has seen an increase in students wishing to leave before sport. We have also had to cancel sport at very short notice. We appreciate this results in students having to sit indoors which is not preferable but unavoidable. When students contact parents asking to go home early, it is very disruptive to the school and interferes with the arrangements which have been put in place. Early leave requests should only be considered when necessary.

Sport is compulsory for all students in Years 7 -10.

Students who have a legitimate reason for leaving early on any day are to bring a note from home requesting leave. We ask that the reason is stated and a parent contact phone number be provided. Students must see the Deputy Principal before school and then report to the Administration window for the note to be processed.

[Access to Waniora Public School](#)

Please be aware that fence gate between Waniora Public school and Bulli High School has had to be temporarily locked. This means there is no access available between the schools. Access to both schools is via Ursula Road.

[Have a great holiday.](#)

Chris Gregory

Principal

[Term 3 finishes for all students on Friday 23rd September and resumes for Years 7 – 11 on Monday 10th October.](#)

Right Place



Right Time

Bulli High School starts every day at 8.50am

Deputy Principal's News

Farewell Year 12

This will be the last school newsletter before Year 12 2016 graduate and settle down to their final HSC exam preparation.

I hope you not only make the most of your final few weeks of regular lessons but also enjoy this time as you prepare to leave BHS.

If you are still uncertain about how best to study effectively or organise your time in the stu-vac period, don't hesitate to ask any of the teachers. We will be more than willing to spend some time with you.

While you each have your own individual post-school goals and plans please use the next few weeks effectively and efficiently in order to maximise your HSC – working towards the results that will satisfy you.

Even though HSC preparation, obviously, needs to be the focus of your activity in the next few weeks remember to keep it balanced – you won't benefit yourself or your results if your sleep, diet and health are compromised during this time.

Keep referring to the 'Final Countdown' letter, as it contains details of all the important dates and events. If you have lost your copy please see me. Likewise, if you haven't already done so, download your personalised HSC exam timetable and make sure all of your subjects are listed (including exams for VET and TVET subjects). If you become aware of any errors let me know immediately.

Don't forget to give your parents and family the Graduation Assembly invitation letter that was distributed this week. The graduation will be a fine and memorable celebration of your time at Bulli High.

It has been a pleasure being your Deputy over the past six years.

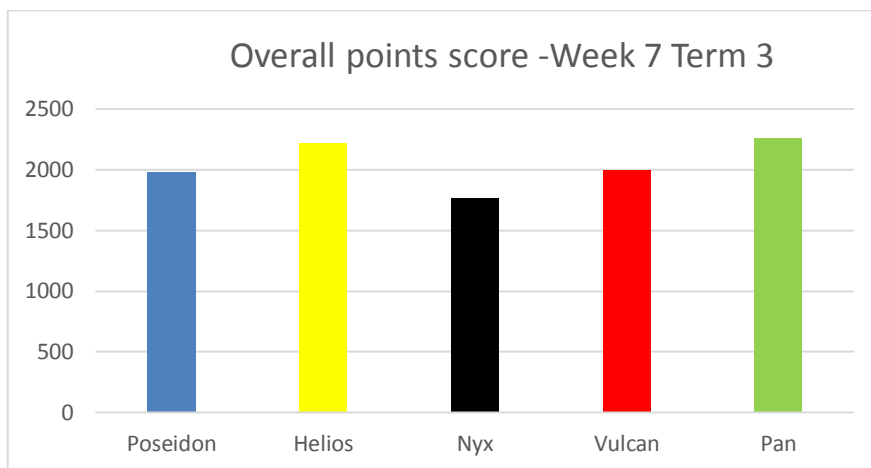
With my best wishes for your life beyond school,

Chris Neave
Deputy Principal

Deputy Principal's News

A small group of dedicated Year 11 Science students are travelling to Melbourne in the October school holidays to visit a number of science institutions such as the Australian Synchrotron, Monash and Melbourne Universities as well as the Peter McCallum Cancer Institute. The group is being accompanied by Ms Swain and Mr Mackenzie. Andrew Dipulgia from the University of Wollongong will be coming along as our guide. We thank the University of Wollongong once again and especially Assoc. Prof Michael Lerch, for their generosity and collaborative support in making this event happen. This is another example of how students at Bulli High School have wonderful opportunities to enrich their learning through our strong links with UoW.

Our houses point score still has Helios a fraction ahead of Poseidon. Don't forget you can earn point by participating in events in and out of school but only if we know about them! Make sure you let us know what you are up to!



Robyn Lang
Deputy Principal

Bulli Students Achieving Personal Best

Bulli High School Head to France

Four Bulli High School students are about to embark on a trip of a lifetime. They are set to represent their local surf lifesaving club and their country at the World Surf Lifesaving Championships. Events will include ski, board, paddle, swim, beach sprint and flags.

Best Wishes to the following students:

Kate Dryden, Dylan Gillett, Zachary Brett & Sienna Stuart



Mrs Alison Green
PD/Health/PE Teacher

Mathematics

Work Like a Mathematician: UOW

Bright and early (7.50am!!!) on Monday 22nd August, Ms Pidhirny met up with 12 enthusiastic Year 8 students at a bus stop on Trinity Row. Just after 8am we were heading south to the University of Wollongong to participate in a 'Work Like a Mathematician' programme hosted by 3rd year Mathematics students.

Our Bulli students were treated to two lessons. Their first task was to calculate the surface area of a robot they were constructing from a range of different sized cardboard boxes and cylinders. A range of mathematical knowledge and application was required and with some guidance and prior learning, they conquered the task.

The students then went to a 'Whiteboard Room' where they participated in a lesson focused on 'Investigating Data'. Data was collected then displayed by the students using the whiteboards. The level of engagement and thinking mathematically was evident from the very beginning of the lesson.

It was suddenly all over and it was time to catch the bus back to school. The 12 students who participated in this excursion did Bulli High School proud. Their positive attitude, respectful behaviour, active participation and co-operation in the 2 lessons were commendable as was their conduct going to and from the university. The students' feedback of the experience was also positive especially with regard to the activities in the Whiteboard Room.

Congratulations to this group of students who took advantage of the opportunity to try something different and in so-doing, have broadened their mathematical experience.



Ms K Pidhirny
Mathematics

Science

The conversion of the Preparation Room is complete and now we have a very functional Senior Science Laboratory which is already operational! It is ideally suited to the smaller classes and the Senior students are impressed with the facilities. It has a classroom section complete with digital projector, screen, whiteboard walls, desks and chairs. There is also a practical area with more than adequate bench area for the classes to perform their First Hand Investigations. Year 12 Biology, Chemistry, Earth and Environmental Science and Physics have been timetabled into the laboratory.

We are coming to that time of year where we complete the HSC coursework and enter the intensive revision period. We expect that every one of the Science students commit to some very hard work in preparation for the final examination. We also wish them all the best of luck for the future. Year 11 are about to begin their Preliminary examinations and we wish them good luck and hope that they perform to the best of their abilities.

Year 8 will be undertaking the VALID test in early November. It is a compulsory test to be completed using a computer. VALID examines both knowledge and skills from the Science Stage 4 syllabus. Further information on the VALID test has been included in this newsletter. Earphones are needed so please ensure that your child has a set that they can use.

Miss Contarin and Mr McKenzie took 7C to the Australian Museum in Sydney and the class have written a report on the day for the newsletter. The students had a great day and I know that both teachers enjoyed themselves and praised the behaviour of the students.

Marine Studies classes are completing their cooking activities. They have learned how to fillet fish and prepare shellfish for cooking. As the weather improves, the students are looking forward to beginning their snorkelling unit in Term 4.



Marine Studies practising fish filleting.

Mrs Julie Swain
Head Teacher
Science

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7C's Excursion to the Australian Museum

On Friday the 26th of August 7C went on an excursion to the Australian Museum. We spent a day in Sydney and visited the gift shop. It was a lot of fun and our favourite part was free time to explore the different exhibitions in the museum.
- Ashley, Alfie, Imogen, Jedda



The journey to Sydney in the morning was exciting. All of us were enjoying ourselves on the train, chatting and playing games together. Everyone gradually boarded the train from Bulli to Helensburgh. An hour and a bit then off at Town Hall and a quick walk to the Australian Museum where the Science Festival was taking place. - Hugo, Tim, Nathan

First up we went to an auditorium at the AMSF and we listened to a lecture on the top twenty ways people in Australia die. Most are from a build-up of bad cholesterol in the arteries, which causes strokes and heart attacks. Smoking does bad things to the organs of the body and is the top third killer. - Evan, Jack, Aidan, Sami, Reece



After the talk on "Know your enemy" we had lunch in Hyde Park. Not many of us ate, with the overwhelming majority playing Pokemon Go. - Sam, Alison, Alyssa

The second activity was the "Mystery Investigators", They showed us that we can be easily fooled or tricked and there must be lots of testing to find a probable answer to a question. - Celeste, Isabella

We had some free time exploring the levels of the museum. Some of the exhibits we saw included, dinosaurs, adaptations, Indigenous Australia, birds, crystals and minerals and many more. - Ashley, Jedda

Lastly we went to AMSF Exhibition. It was a fun and educational experience consisting of engaging hands on activities. Examples of the activities were robots that threw frisbees, looking at shells with microscopes, light up robots to control, chemistry experiments, dissecting Indian Minor birds. - Sophia, Rani, Dayle, Jasmine, Charlotte



On the journey home we were laughing and having fun. We were on that train for about 45 minutes until we got to Helensburgh and switched to another train and caught it back home. It was an awesome day! - Ben, Jacob, Ethan, Michael

This article was written by 7C students using their devices in the Science laboratory. They all worked collaboratively using a shared document in GoogleDocs! The behaviour of all students on the excursion was exceptional and they were all fully engaged in the opportunities presented to them.

Ms A Contarin

English

Woonona Bowling Club Year 10 Essay Competition

On Tuesday 23rd August, Mrs Gregory and I had the pleasure of attending an awards ceremony for the inaugural Woonona Bowling Club Year 10 Essay Competition.

The competition was open to Year 10 students from Bulli HS and Woonona HS. It required students to write an essay based on social media or an issue that was relevant to our local community.

Four of our students were recognised with prizes in this competition. Ally Thomas was awarded first place with her essay on the disadvantages of social media. Also writing about social media, Ashleigh Walter received second place and Bree Grose was placed third. Clodhna Maguire received fourth place with her essay on the banning of greyhound racing in New South Wales. Each student received a certificate, a cash prize as well as a bag of goodies from Woonona Bowling Club and its sponsors.

As part of the evening's entertainment, Willo Ozurumba (Year 10) showcased his amazing musical talents with a mesmerising acoustic guitar rendition of John Butler's 'Ocean'.

A huge congratulations to all our students for their fantastic efforts. We would love to see our students' participation in this competition develop and grow in the years ahead.

Willo Ozurumba, Clodhna Maguire, Bree Grose, Ashleigh Walter and Ally Thomas at the Woonona Bowling Club Year 10 Essay Competition Awards Ceremony.



The award winners from Bulli HS and Woonona HS with Darren van der Hoff, Secretary Manager – Woonona Bowling Club and Paul Webb, Chairman – Woonona Bowling Club

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8V Excursion to the Sydney Jewish Museum

To cap off their study of John Boyne's novel, 'The Boy at the Top of the Mountain', 8V attended an excursion to the Sydney Jewish Museum on Tuesday 30th August. Ms Gardiner, Ms Martin and Miss Markulic accompanied the students on the day.

Students were treated to a talk on the way that novels retell history. Marie, our education officer, was so impressed with the questions our students asked about the Holocaust and what they had read in the novel. One of the biggest highlights of our visit was a talk with Tom Fleming who was a child survivor of Theresienstadt Concentration Camp. His harrowing tale reminded us of how truly fortunate we are. Our visit finished with our guide, Gerald, showing us an exhibit displaying letters written by Jewish parents to their children and another exhibit on the story of Ann Frank.

The feedback from students was that they had a great day and thoroughly enjoyed the experience.



Ms Heather Gardiner
Head Teacher
English

PD/Health/PE

It has been a very busy month in the PDHPE faculty, with many opportunities for students to represent our school with pride, as you will read in the following pages.

Congratulations to all those students who have excelled and to everyone who has been striving to achieve their personal best each week.

Early leavers - From Wednesday Sport

Anyone who needs to leave early on a Wednesday is reminded to follow school procedures. This includes providing relevant documentation (appointment cards, medical certificates, etc) along with a signed note to explain the need for the partial absence. This should be brought to the interview room BEFORE roll call on the Wednesday morning.

Along with sport being a mandatory part of all NSW Department of Education Schools, it has many positive health benefits. Regular physical activity helps to maintain a healthy body, promotes psychological wellbeing and encourages positive social relationships. It is for these reasons that we will continue to support each student to be an active participant at sport each week.

Mrs Sarah Costabile
Head Teacher PD/H/PE

Snow Trip

At midnight on Tuesday 9th August, a busload of excited Year 9, 10 and 11 students and staff including Mr Cranney, Mr Mann, Ms Josh and Ms Pidhirny, left Ursula Road and headed south towards Perisher for the annual Bulli High School Snow Trip. A windy Wednesday meant many of the Blue Cow lifts were closed so following the first lesson, we headed over to Perisher for a perfect afternoon of snowboarding and skiing.

By Thursday the wind had abated and we were treated to two more days of excellent conditions on the slopes of the Blue Cow area.

The students were a credit to Bulli High School in terms of their conduct and enthusiasm. The camaraderie and enjoyment the students conveyed was evidence of a hugely successful trip. Skill level increased significantly over the three days and by Friday afternoon, most students had achieved a level of competence that allowed them access to a broad range of slopes.

Despite a broken bus and a broken collarbone, spirits remained elevated throughout the experience. The accommodation was warm and comfortable, the food was wholesome and plentiful and the company was second to none. All too quickly we were back on the bus and heading home, tired but content. Thanks is extended to Mr Cranney for his organisation and making this trip happen.

Katie Pidhirny
PD/Health/PE Teacher



Sport

With Term 3 quickly coming to an end it is time to farewell another successful grade sport competition. Although the weather presented regular challenges, staff and students have remained patient and have once again competed with enthusiasm and integrity. Congratulations to all students and staff who have contributed to an outstanding season. A special mention goes out to students of the following teams that have made the finals. Junior Boys Oztag Blue, Junior Boys Basketball, Junior Girls Oztag Red, Junior Girls Volleyball 1 and Senior Girls Volleyball.

At the beginning of Term 3 a number of students made the journey to the ACT for the Regional Athletics carnival. Bulli High School returned to school with a handful of exceptional results including, 1st in the 17 yrs + Girls 4 x 100m Relay (Yvette Avery, Jazmine Yew, Leanne Jackson and Gabriele Jordan), Jazmine Yew 1st in the 16yrs Triple Jump, Brianna King 2nd in the 16 yrs 400m, Bianca Elphick 3rd in the 17 yrs + 1500m and Tod Methven qualified for State Athletics in High Jump, Long Jump and Triple Jump.

There will be an opportunity for students to select a new summer sport during sport time in Weeks 9 and 10 of this term. Students should carefully consider their selections as they will not be permitted to change sports once they have been put on a sport roll. If your son/daughter has any questions about this process or a particular sport they should see Mr Mann in the PE staff room.

Mr Rob Mann
Sports Coordinator

Volleyball Grade Sport

Bulli High School has enjoyed hosting Grade Sport Volleyball for a second consecutive year. Five teams from our school have participated in the competition and all teams have earned a place in the finals round on 7 September.

Participating schools have included Keira, Figtree, Corrimal and Bulli High Schools. Our Senior Girls, Senior Boys and Junior Girls have all demonstrated exceptional sports personship and enthusiasm even though the competition was plagued with wet weather and regular byes.

Bulli High School teams would regularly and willingly offer players if other teams were short in order to play. Always gracious in defeat or victory, it has been a rewarding experience for all.

Congratulations are extended to all teams whose collective skill level has significantly improved since the beginning of Term 2 when the competition began. The Junior Girls teams and some members of the Senior Boys have earned special mention for their dedication to improving their skills by turning up on Tuesday lunchtimes to train.

Thank you to Mrs Wilson and Mrs Williams whose management, support and encouragement of the teams on Wednesday afternoons, wet or dry, is appreciated.

We look forward to continued interest and support in 2017.



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Congratulations to all Bulli teams for their results throughout the Grade Sport Competition. You were gracious hosts and enthusiastic team players. Well done.

Volleyball Grade Sports Bulli High School Results:

Senior Boys	1ST
Senior Girls	
BULLI 1	3RD
BULLI 2	2ND
Junior Girls	
BULLI 1	2ND
BULLI 2	3RD



Katie Pidhirny
PD/Health/PE Teacher
Volleyball Convenor

Year 7 Gymnastics

Term 3 is gymnastics time for Year 7. It has been exciting watching Year 7 students develop their confidence and skill level as they create some very impressive movement sequences for an assessment task.



15s Boys Basketball Report

Congratulations to the 15s Boys Knockout Basketball Boys who had a mixed bag of results in the Illawarra Regional Knockout. The boys had a resounding victory in the first round against Smiths Hill High, with Captain Lachlan York leading the way, nearly clocking a triple double! Tyson Bricknell was also destructive around the ring as he banged, bumped & dominated the key with a double double of points & rebounds. In the second round we face a red hot Wollongong High side featuring 3 of the under 16 stars from the Illawarra Hawks rep team... Whilst we were blown off the park in the first quarter, the boys really stepped up to the challenge in the second, third & fourth quarters, especially our trio of Year 7 young guns. Michael Mouawad was dangerous on the wing & cashed a sweet 3-pointer to get the points flowing, while Ky Air was a menace in defence, evening drawing an offensive foul from a 6 foot giant! However, Ethan Hawken was the most inspirational as he did a little bit of it all against much bigger & experienced opponents. All in all, the boys did our school proud & we look forward to our next chance to represent the school.

Based on our performance, the team has been offered a wildcard position for the final 8 tournament for the Greater South Coast Region & the boys are ready to represent on Thursday the 15th of September.



Mr Steve Delaney

Junior Girls OZTag

Congratulations to the Junior Girls OZTag Grand Final Winners 2016



Alyssa Abbott, Dayle Air, Jasmine Fowler, Claudia Garvey, Kristiana Kocyan, Isabella Lo Castro, Annabel McDonald, Ebony McGrath, Alison O'Driscoll, Charlotte Park, Aleisha Prentice, Mia Rennie, Tyara Smith, Mikayla Stralow,

The team did not drop a game all season and won the Grand Final 11 to 2 against Woonona Gold. The game was dominated by quick decisive defence and an even quicker attack.

I am very proud of their efforts this season, they have been a pleasure to coach.
Well Done.

Mr Alex Craigen

Basketball Grade Sport

WE'RE BACK!!!! BULLI BOYS BAG HISTORIC DOUBLE!

After a five year hiatus Bulli High School claimed an unlikely double winning the final of both Senior and Junior Basketball at the Snakepit on Wednesday.

The victory in Seniors was made all the sweeter as Bulli toppled the previously undefeated Keira who had ironically beaten the previously undefeated Bulli team two years earlier. Credit goes to the boys for their dedicated commitment to their training and performance despite a season marred by game cancellations and changes of coaches (three new coaches during the season).

The Seniors won 60-47 led by Zac Duczynski who was ably assisted by Lachlan York. The team also included; Tyson Bricknell, Dante Fattore, Cade Smith, Zac Thomas while Jake Soles was away.

The Juniors defeated Figtree in a close fought game winning 38-25. The team comprised by Ky Air, Christian Bayato, Darcy Bell, Caelan Bennett, Michael Mouawad and Oscar Williams.

By far and away the most pleasing aspect of the season has been the positive comments that all coaches have made regarding the character, commitment and discipline of all the boys. On a personal note, I will be sad to lose some of these young men who I have coached since Year 7 as they will no longer be playing basketball as they commence Year 11. I also wish to thank all of the coaches involved in the seasons journey and especially Ms Treglown who took the boys on Wednesday.

Mr Richard Harding.

HSIE

BULLI HISTORIANS GO TO HOGWARTS!

Well not Hogwarts, but the hallowed grounds of the Main Quad at the University of Sydney and the Nicholson Museum. Year 9 Big History and Year 11 Ancient History students were joined by their teachers, Mr Nouis and Mrs Reichhart in a hands on tour of the museum. Students examined real Egyptian mummies and artefacts dating back thousands of years. The opportunity to don the white gloves and touch ancient coins, pottery and swords brought out inner archaeologist and Indiana Jones. We even got the opportunity to see the famous LEGO representation of the city of Pompeii, in all its detail.

Congratulations to all students for the manner in which they represented the school on the day. We look forward to our next learning experience.

Mr Nouis and Mrs Reichhart

Final Year 12 Geography Fieldwork...

Our 'true troopers', took to the beach on Wednesday 11th July, studying sand dune formation and the processes both natural and human induced, impacting this magnificent ecosystem, we are so fortunate to call 'home'. Assessing tidal movements, climatic data and using scientific instruments, surrounded by gale force winds, rain and blissful sunshine our industrious leaders represented our school very well. This is reinforced by the comments made by our NPWS guide; "What a dedicated bunch of kids" Julie was especially impressed by the amount of rubbish the students collected on the day. Congratulations Year 12 Geography, I've really enjoyed sharing your educational journey with you!

Mrs Stacey Fraser





On 16 August at 7.40am, 98 Year 11 students from Bulli High School met with Mrs and Mr Green, Ms O'Connell and Ms Pidhirny to catch two buses to Qudos Bank Arena (formerly Allphones Arena) at Homebush to participate in the annual bstreetsmart event.

This successful forum has just completed its 11th year as Australia's largest educational event on road safety with over 122,000 Year 10, 11 and 12 students having participated.

bstreetsmart is the inspiring initiative of the Trauma Service at Westmead Hospital. Westmead's Trauma Service is constantly reminded through their hands on work that young people aged between 15 – 30 are disproportionately represented in road trauma. As a result they have a strong commitment to Road Safety Education.

The purpose of bstreetsmart is to reduce the fatality and injury rates of young people by promoting safe behaviour as drivers, riders and passengers.

bstreetsmart provides students with first hand experiences and:

- An understanding of their responsibilities as a driver and as a responsible passenger
- Information and strategies to avoid serious injuries and death
- Information on how to reduce risk taking behaviour through greater awareness of the consequences of distracted driving, inattention, speeding, drink and drug driving and driver fatigue.

This successful initiative receives support from the NSW government and our generous partners to ensure bstreetsmart can continue to be offered to all schools, as they recognise the important role it plays in the community.



The presentation was well-received by our students as indicated by plenty of positive feedback. Students were particularly interested in the accounts given by young accident survivors who relayed their personal stories and journeys from when their lives had been irreversibly altered as a result of injuries sustained in a vehicle crash.

The Crossroads programme aims to connect with senior students by providing opportunities that are relevant and meaningful to young adults. The bstreetsmart event is one example of this.

In Term 4, the Year 11 students will be listening to a presentation by Kate Fitzsimons of the Nicole Fitzsimons Foundation with reference to Safe Travel. Later in the term, the Wollongong City Council supported 'Living Library' will be addressing the students. It is anticipated the students will take positive messages from these interactions with the wider community and consider these experiences as they move through the latter stages of their school lives.

Ms Katie Pidhirny
Crossroads Coordinator

Language

FRENCH CLASSES HAVE A TASTE OF FRANCE

LA BONNE CRÊPE

On 4th August, the French classes were visited once again by Monsieur Olivier from La Bonne Crêpe. Students had the opportunity to sample delicious authentic French crêpes. They were also able to observe how crêpes are made. All the students practised their French when ordering their crêpes, and had the opportunity to chat informally in French with Monsieur Olivier and Madame Michelle, making the day a truly valuable and tasty experience.



THE LITTLE SNAIL RESTAURANT

On 5th September, over 100 students from the French classes travelled to Sydney to “The Little Snail” restaurant at Pyrmont. Many were adventurous enough to try the ‘escargots’ and a delicious meal was topped off with yummy French desserts.

The staff who attended the excursion would like to congratulate the students on their exemplary behaviour, making the day a pleasure for all.

EXCHANGE STUDENT – EMMA CORNUAULT

During Term 3, the senior French classes have been privileged to have exchange student, Emma Cornuault, join the Year 11 French class. Emma has worked with the students, sharing her expertise and talking to classes about current trends in France. The French teachers would like to thank Emma for her willing participation in lessons, and the support she has offered to our students. We all wish Emma the best as she returns to France at the end of the term.



Southern Stars – “IGNITE”

Students from Bulli High School participated in Southern Stars once again this year.

The group of students was a pleasure to work with during the demanding schedule of rehearsals and performances. They were great ambassadors for the school and behaved and performed most professionally.

Our thanks go to the parents who transported the dancers to and from the venues, and also to Mrs Jennifer Wood for her expertise in making all the costumes for the group.

Well done everyone!



Mrs Karyn Evans
Dance Coordinator



Library News

Holiday Reading

It's now time to borrow books for the holidays. Here are some books that you may want to add to your Spring Holiday reading list.

- The Fault in Our Stars, *by John Green*
- The Hunger Games, *by Suzanne Collins*
- The Golden Compass (His Dark Materials, #1) *by Philip Pullman*
- Red Rising, *by Pierce Brown*
- The Lightning Thief, *by Rick Riordan*
- All the Bright Places, *by Jennifer Niven*
- A Monster Calls, *by Patrick Ness*
- Legend, *by Marie Lu*
- A Court of Thorns and Roses, *by Sarah J. Maas*
- Divergent, *by Veronica Roth*
- The Book Thief, *by Markus Zusak*
- Eleanor & Park, *by Rainbow Rowell*

Remember, *"the more you read, the more you know"* Dr Seuss

Kylie Martin
Teacher Librarian

Careers

Important Dates for Year 12 Tertiary Applications

Please visit www.uac.edu.au (The Universities Admissions Centre) for further information.

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 30TH – CLOSING DATE FOR THE FOLLOWING APPLICATIONS THROUGH UAC.

- **On time** U.A.C. applications (\$41), afterwards they cost a minimum of \$166.
- Educational Access Scheme Applications (EAS).
- Schools Recommendation Scheme Applications.
- SYDNEY UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS CLOSE.

If students require assistance with any of these applications, they must see Mr Harding, (Careers Advisor) or Mrs Josh, (Year Advisor) **before Friday September 16th.**

Mr Richard Harding
Careers Advisor



The Green Teams favourite time of the year is here....Spring! With the warmer weather and longer days, our Team have been busy this month preparing our vegetable garden beds in earnest. This week involved the 'planting of the seeds'. We managed to plant carrot, lettuce, spinach, capsicum, cucumber, beans, basil and sunflower seeds. Over the next few weeks we will be awaiting to see the success of our planting.

Our resident Cockatoos and Rainbow Lorikeets have made progress in our flower pots throughout the playground, quite difficult. They are enjoying our seedlings and challenging our students in coordinating a plan to prevent them from destroying pots further.

The garden outside the canteen is improving with the warmer weather, with a strong harvest of celery available, mint and lettuce also enjoying the heat. Won't be long and our canteen will be making their delicious Asian Salad all from produce grown at school!

Mr Moore and his Industrious nature has contributed in coordinating projects for the Primary Students at Waniora. The alphabet stepping stones have been painted and labeled with each letter using the 'foundation' font. The 'upcycled' bus made from refuse such as pallets and old school chairs is also coming together, ready to be launched in Term 4 this year.

Sport selections occur in the next couple of weeks, so if you enjoy Gardening and wanting to help 'green' our planet through sustainable activities like recycling, worm farming and composting, please join us!

Mrs Stacey Fraser
Green Team Coordinator



Recently Bulli High School held their "Wear It Purple" Day to celebrate diversity of gender and sexuality within the community and to promote a tolerant and harassment-free school. Many students and staff looked great in their purple attire, including scarves, wristbands, ties, ribbons, shoelaces, etc. which demonstrated their support for the day and its important message. Well done Bulli!!!

Uniform Shop Orders for Year 7 2017

The timetable below has been provided by the uniform shop. Each school has been allocated a specific fitting time to reduce waiting for parents and students.

Monday 10th October 2016 – 1.30pm to 5.30pm
Thirroul Public school

Tuesday 11th October 2016 – 1.30pm to 5.30pm
Bulli & Helensburgh Public school

Wednesday 12th October 2016 – 3.00pm to 5.30pm
Austinmer, Scarborough & Otford Public schools

Thursday 13th October 2016 – 1.30pm to 5.30pm
Waniora Public school

Friday 14th October 2016 – 1.30pm to 5.30pm
Coledale & Stanwell Park Public schools and all remaining schools plus those who could not make their allocated days.

For exceptional cases if you cannot make your allocated day, please phone the uniform shop on 42848266 (ext 140) to make an alternative time **BEFORE TUESDAY 18TH OCTOBER 2016**. All late orders after October will not be guaranteed delivery.

Please note: All uniforms for Year 7 students for 2017 have to be **ORDERED**, as we do not have sufficient stock available in the school uniform shop.

Orders will require a \$50 deposit if possible

Uniforms will be available for **PICKUP** only on
Wednesday 25th January 2017 10am – 2pm
Thursday 26th January 2017 10am - 2pm

For those who can't make these times, we will be open from 9am to 3pm on Friday 27th January

We are also open on Monday 30th and Tuesday 31st January from 9am to 3pm

EXCHANGES AND NEW ENROLMENTS can **ONLY** be done on or after Friday 27th January 2017.

CASH AND CHEQUE ONLY – NO EFTPOS

Year 8 VALID test Information for parents

Dear Parent or Carer

The *Validation of Assessment for Learning & Individual Development* (VALID) test for Year 8 students will be held between **Wednesday 2 November** and **Friday 11 November 2016**.

The test takes approximately 70 minutes. The *VALID Science 8* test is an interactive, multimedia test completed entirely on a computer.

VALID Science 8 contains multiple choice, short response and extended response tasks that are grouped around real-world issues, including scientific investigations. This is a diagnostic test, with tasks framed on Stage 4 outcomes and essential content in the NSW *Science Years K–10 Syllabus*. Students will be tested on their:

- knowledge and understanding of science
- understanding and skills in the process of scientific investigation
- ability to evaluate evidence, make judgements and think critically
- ability to access information and communicate scientific ideas.

Students also complete a survey about their opinions, attitudes and values about science. Since students complete *VALID Science 8* on a computer, each student needs to bring **headphones or earbuds** that plug into a school computer. Earbuds for an iPod or portable player are suitable.

If your child has a disability that needs special consideration or has been educated in English for less than one year, please contact your child's school to discuss special provisions or possible exemption from the test.

Results of the test will be available during Term 1 2017. Information about each student is treated confidentially and held securely to ensure that the right to privacy of all students is maintained. A personal report for each student will be sent to parents/carers to describe the science knowledge and skills demonstrated by the student in the test. There will also be information about how your child's results compare with overall performance of all students in the test.

The principal of your child's school is able to provide you with more details about the VALID program if you require additional information.

Yours sincerely



Bruce Inwood
R/Director, High Performance
Department of Education

BULLI SLSC NIPPERS

REGISTRATION DAYS

2016-2017

10am-12noon Sunday 18 September

10am-12noon Saturday 8 October

CORRIMAL POOL, Short St, Corrimal

Please use front entrance (entry fees apply)

Pool proficiency swim to be completed

Club uniforms available for sale

Nippers commence

930am Sunday 9 October

Bulli Surf Club

**Go to <http://www.bullisurfclub.com.au/joinrenew/>
to register and pay online**

*For any information
contact bullinippers@gmail.com
Or bullisurfclub.com.au*

THIRROUL SLSC



REGISTRATION DAY

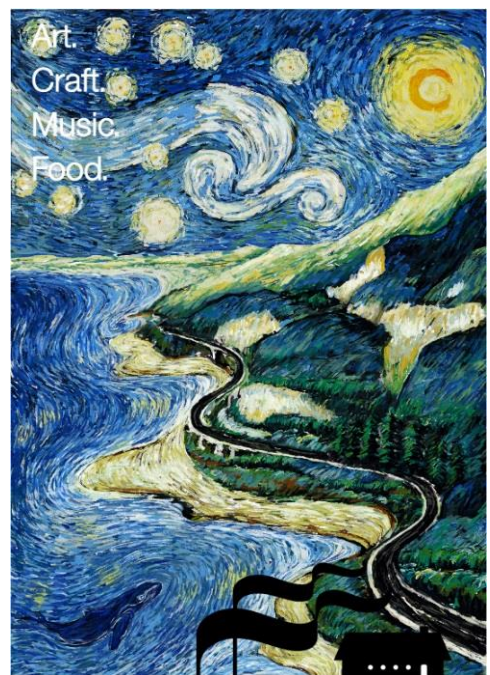
Sunday 11 September 9am to 12pm at Thirroul Surf Club

nippers | education | junior and senior competition | patrol the beach

learn how to register online and see what the volunteer organisation does within the community

find out about competition | sign up for training programs | volunteer to help with BBQ's and fundraisers

THIRROULSURFCLUB.COM.AU



Scarborough ArtShow.

10 am - 5 pm

8-9 OCTOBER

\$5 Adults \$3 Concession

Children under 13 free.

SCARBOROUGHARTSHOW.COM



Women's Rugby League 2016 "November 9's"

The Woonona Bulli Bushrangers JRLFC
are looking to put a women's team in the U18's & Open Age competition.

At this stage the plan is to run the competition over 4 Friday nights in November with an
emphasis on making this a fun event and a great introduction for new players.
NRL Development will conduct skill sessions prior to games getting underway.
The competition will be held at Ziems Park Corrimal.

Registration fees for NEW players is \$30 for U18 & \$40 for Open Age.
Includes club shorts & socks. To play U18's girls must be 16 years old.
If you are already registered in the 2016 LeagueTag or Women in Defence competitions, your
registration is free. You will also receive club shorts and socks.

This is the perfect opportunity for women to give Rugby League a try!

Please contact our Club Secretary Sarah at secretary@woononajrlfc.org.au for more
information.

EXCITING TIMES FOR WOMEN IN RUGBY LEAGUE!!

SOMETHING TO DO 2016

WOLLONGONG YOUTH SERVICES

HANG OUT Basketball, pool, table tennis, air hockey, TV, football, chill out room & more TUESDAYS 3-6PM THURSDAYS 3-8PM SATURDAYS 12-4PM	ON AIR Tune into 106.9 Woorll 96 to listen to radio hosted by young people. Want to be a presenter? Contact us. MONDAYS 8-9PM	RAINBOW LEAGUE A social group for same sex attracted, gender diverse or questioning young people aged 16-25 MONDAYS 4-5.30PM	ART SPACE Learn new skills, meet other artists, create artworks for a Viva la Gong exhibition TUESDAYS 4-5.30PM
MAKE & CREATE Be part of the Viva la Gong parade. Come and make musical instruments, wearable art and more WEDNESDAYS 4-5.30PM	ON STAGE Performance space available for young people (12-24yrs). Full PA, sound engineer and lighting provided. Contact us to book your space THURSDAYS 6-8PM	MULTI-CULTURAL YOUTH Multicultural young people working together to organise multicultural events and activities MEETS FORTNIGHTLY THURSDAYS 3.30-5PM	REHEARSAL SPACE Fully equipped sound proof music rehearsal space. \$5 p/p. Bookings essential TUESDAY - SATURDAYS
BARISTA COURSE Be mentored by experienced baristas & learn to make cafe quality coffee. Bookings essential FRIDAYS 3.30-5PM	INTRO TO GUITAR Learn the basics of guitar. Half hour lessons. Bookings essential FRIDAYS	FRIDAY NIGHTS 2 SEPT 7 OCT 4 NOV 2 DEC Check Facebook to find out what's on FRIDAYS 6-9PM	BOOK A SPACE Are you a young person and need a space for your group to meet? Book a space at the Youth Centre for free TUESDAY - SATURDAYS
SPECIAL EVENTS 26 AUG Wear It Purple 9 SEPT RUOK Day 1 DEC World AIDS Day Visit the Youth Centre on these days to see what's happening! ANYTIME	LEGAL WALL The back wall of the Youth Centre is a legal wall. Bring your own paint and practice your aerosol art skills ANYTIME	SPRING HOLIDAYS 3 ON 3 Basketball Music Workshops Everyone Can Day - a range of art and music workshops BOOK NOW	TELL US WHAT YOU THINK Got an idea about something Youth Services should run? Let us know! ANYTIME

To make a booking or to find out more information
CONTACT THE YOUTH SERVICES TEAM
P: 4227 8222 E: youthservices@wollongong.nsw.gov.au





Registration Days - Friday 16th September
& Friday 23rd September 4pm - 6pm at
Woonona Bulli Rsl Club

ALL Registrations will need to be submitted online first by visiting
www.lansw.com.au and following the links.

Option 1: Rego Online but Pay by Cash at either of the above 2 Rego
Days - \$105 per athlete (U6-U17) \$85 per Tiny Tot (U4yrs -U5)

Option 2: Rego Online and Pay on Line - \$130 per athlete (U6-U17)
\$110 per Tiny Tot (U4yrs -U5)

**** New Rego's please bring your Birth Certificate
or Blue Book on Rego Day ****

Tiny Tots are required to have supervision at all times.

**All other Age Groups are required to have 1 parent/ adult per family that is
required to help out each Friday afternoon, at a designated job as part of your
registration.**

All children must have adult supervision whilst at NILAC at all times.

Competition starts Friday 14th October 2016

**At 4:15pm then every Friday afternoon after that of the School term on the
back oval at Bulli High School Access via Alroy, Jardine & Godolphin Streets**

**2 Week Consecutive Trial is Available at a cost of
\$20 per athlete**

**Uniform Shop is Open on all Registration Days - Uniform cost \$70 per sublimated
set. Uniform is Compulsory at all times with the exception of the Tiny Tot age group.**

**More information available on our clubs Facebook page at Northern Illawarra Little
Athletics Club**

**Parent Involvement is essential to the running of any athletics club, Supervision of 1 parent /
adult is required per family at all times whilst competing at our club.**

Closure of Bulli Pass (Princes Highway) from Tuesday 4 October to Monday 5 December

The NSW Government is funding this \$5 million project to install

1.1 kilometres of fencing to prevent rock falls and improve safety for motorists.

We thank the community for providing feedback on the planned closure. This information has been considered to finalise the traffic and emergency management plans to help minimise the impact of the closure. More information on these plans is available on our website.

Roads and Maritime Services will install rock fall protection barrier fencing on Bulli Pass from the M1 Princes Motorway to the hairpin bend in two stages. During the first stage, fencing will be installed in the highest risk sections. Once installed, this will be the longest fence of its kind in Australia.

For the safety of motorists and workers the road will be **closed for two months** to complete the first stage of work, from **9am Tuesday 4 October to 2am Monday 5 December 2016**, excluding public holidays and weather permitting.

We will be working **day and night shifts, seven days a week**, to complete the work as quickly as possible. This is the safest and the most suitable option to complete this essential work and ensure the road can be reopened on time.

Bulli Pass will be open in both directions over two weekends for special events in the Illawarra:

- **3pm Friday 28 October to 9am Monday 31 October 2016**
- **3pm Friday 4 November to 9am Monday 7 November 2016**

How will the work affect you?

To minimise the impact on motorists we are timing this essential work to avoid public holidays and major events. There will be additional traffic on the M1 and Lawrence Hargrave Drive, motorists should expect delays and where possible travel outside peak times.

No routine maintenance work will be carried out on detour routes during the closure to help reduce the impact on travel times.

For more information, including how we will manage traffic and respond to incidents on the detour routes, please visit our website rms.nsw.gov.au/bullipassclosure and view the frequently asked questions fact sheet.

Traffic changes

Bulli Pass will be closed from the M1 to Lawrence Hargrave Drive in both directions.

Detours will be in place via Memorial Drive and the M1, or via Lawrence Hargrave Drive and the M1. Motorists should plan their journey and allow extra travel time.

Contact

For more information please contact our Project Manager, Anna Cook on:

- Phone 02 4221 2725
- Email southernprojects@rms.nsw.gov.au

An additional two month road closure is planned for late April to late June 2017 to install remaining fencing. We will update the community about this closure in early 2017.

We appreciate your patience while we carry out this essential safety work.