

Bulli High School Newsletter

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December 2018

Upcoming Events

Monday 10th December
Presentation Evening

10th – 11th December
Water Polo Finals

10th – 14th December
Year 10 Work Experience

Tuesday 11th December
Powerhouse Excursion

Tuesday 18th December
Awards Assembly

Wednesday 19th December
Last day for Term 4

Wednesday 30th January
Term 1 2019
Years 7, 11 & 12 students return

Thursday 31st January
Term 1 2019
Years 8, 9 & 10 students return



Principal's report

This is the last newsletter for 2018. Thank you to all of the Bulli HS community for the continual support shown to our school. I look forward to another year of strong teaching & learning.

ARTEXPRESS

Congratulations to Astrid Bell who has had her Visual Arts HSC Body of Work, Home Bodies, accepted into ARTEXPRESS 2019. Astrid's work will be on display at the Hazelhurst Arts Centre and the Blue Mountains Cultural Centre.

Year 10 into 11 Scholarship Program

An informal afternoon tea, attended by students, family, businesses and BHS staff, saw 8 Year 10 students each presented with a \$400 scholarship from 8 local businesses. On behalf of Bulli HS I would like to thank them for their support and commitment to our students. Each student has demonstrated a capacity to work independently and academic commitment over Years 9 and 10, demonstrated a commitment to BHS and/or leadership in school life, and has a proud record of co-operation, reliability and attendance. Since Tuesday, another business has come on board and we thank them for their support also.



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*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*

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Register for E-News

If you are already registered you will continue to receive our e-news bulletins.

To register for e-news follow these steps:

- Go to the school's website:
www.bulli-h.schools.nsw.edu.au
- Click on tab 'Newsletters & notes'
- Hit subscribe
- Enter your name and email as requested and follow the prompts
- You also have the option to download the App facility to your device

Uniform Shop Hours

Tuesdays: 1.15pm – 3.30pm
Thursdays: 1.15pm – 3.30pm

School Office Hours

Mon, Tue, Thur & Fri: 8.30am – 3.30pm
Wednesday: 8.30am – 3.00pm

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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The recipients and the sponsoring business are as follows:

Callum Conway	Summerhayes Building
Evie Fulton	One Agency
Renae Lombardo	Harmony Naturopathics
Avril Ferguson	Scope IT Education
Sinead Heap	Spicey Apple Hair Design
Blake Douglas	Access Law Group
Bianca Dowd	Woonona Eyecare
Amelie Downie	Body Dynamics
TBA	Belvista Psychological Services

SRC Induction

Congratulations to students inducted into the SRC last week. Thank you to Mr Pember for his outstanding work and the commitment he shows to developing our student leadership team.



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Orientation Day

We welcomed our incoming Year 7 students and their families for Orientation Day. Our Year 7 numbers continue to grow in 2019 and we look forward to getting to know our students and their families in the new year.



School Administration System

Following extensive consultation, Bulli HS is currently in the process of transitioning from Millennium to Sentral which will commence in 2019. Information for parent and student access will be distributed in the new school year. We are confident Sentral will better meet school, student and parent needs including improved communication and access for parents. There will be no additional costs to parents. More information will be forthcoming during the transition period.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Lindy Sharp who has been recognised with a Regional South Operational Directorate Award by the Wollongong North Principals' Network awards ceremony for her work and commitment as director and producer of the school musicals for many years. We thank Lindy for her commitment and dedication to supporting our students and encouraging their involvement in the musicals.



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HSC Results 2018

As this newsletter is being finalised, the HSC students are receiving their results. Congratulations to all students and we wish them all the best. Our Careers Adviser, Mr Harding is available for students if they have any questions. We also encourage students to let us know of their ATARs. Students may also contact the HSC Results Inquiry Centre – 1300 13 83 23 after results are released. The service offers a valuable opportunity for students to talk with experienced staff who are able to answer questions about their HSC results or the systems behind determining and processing them.

End of the Year

As we near the end of the school year it is vitally important that students maintain strong attendance, and high standard of school uniform including black shoes and white socks. Lessons will continue as normal.

The last day for students and teaching staff is Wednesday 19th December. Our Administration office will be open on Thursday 20th December.

On behalf of Bulli HS staff I wish all students and their families, and our wider Bulli HS community a safe and happy Christmas and holiday season.

Starting dates for 2019:

Wednesday 30th January

Years 7, 11 & 12 students return

Thursday 31st January

Years 8, 9 & 10 students return

Presentation Evening

Presentation Evening was well attended and a wonderful celebration of student achievement.



Chris Gregory

Principal

Deputy Principal's News



House Trophy

Congratulations to those students in Helios! (the Yellow House surnames C-F). They have run away with the House Shield this year with a margin of nearly 700 points over the next closest house. This is a great effort. Students earned house points through involvement in extra-curricular activities, merit awards and volunteering in and out of the school. Well Done!

HSC Information Night

On November 29th we held an informal information night for parents of Year 12 students where we spoke about ways to make the challenge of the HSC more manageable. The meeting was well attended with around 25 parents and a few students. We will be holding further meetings next year as follows

28 February	HSC Assessment/Scaling; The importance of rank; marks and getting work done on time.
14 May	Tertiary entrance and post school pathways: This is the SAME night as the parent teacher night. There will be two identical sessions. One at 5 and one at 6:30. You will be able to make your appointments around these times
5 June	How to blitz exams – This will be for both parents and students

I would also like to wish everyone a peaceful and relaxing holiday season. Remember its experiences not stuff that makes us happy!

Ms Robyn Lang
Deputy Principal

Students Achieving their Personal Best

Congratulations to Darci Air and Kasey Hargreaves on winning the Australian Schools Surfing U19 Girls' Championship in Adelaide last week and being named in the All Australian Team. NSW won the overall point score. Well Done.



Mathematics

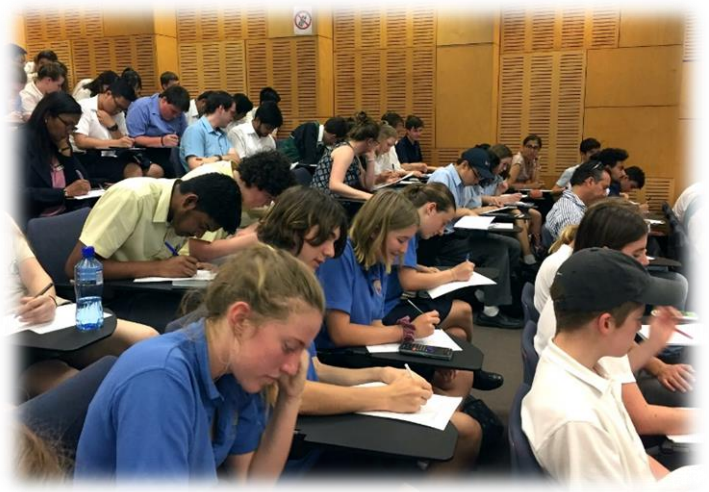
'DAY OF MATHS' AT UNIVERSITY OF NSW

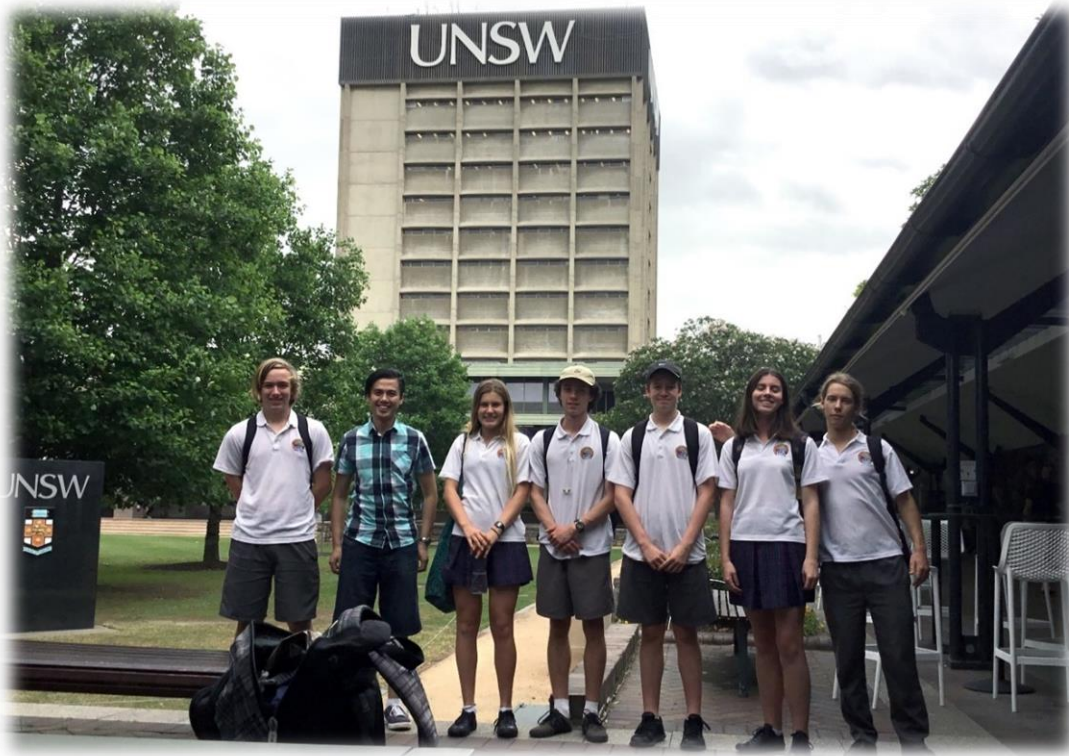
Six Year 10 and six Year 11 students from BHS attended UNSW on Wednesday, November 21 to work with Eddie Woo and Adam Spenser. The students are to be congratulated for representing BHS extremely well, and thanks also to Mr Vorn and Ms Ellmore for the planning and leadership on the day.

Louis Donovan writes:

The 'Day of Maths' excursion to the University of New South Wales was an uplifting experience for the years of mathematics ahead. Eddie Woo and Adam Spenser's captivating talks involved discussion of maths from a different perspective with engaging puzzles and challenging problems. Hundreds of students from public schools up to Coffs Harbour attended the event, hearing from the maths celebrities and receiving a signed copy of Adam Spenser's 'Top 100'.

As these pictures show, students were able to get close and personal with Woo and Spenser; from Ewan Auld getting a personal message in his book to the Year 11 and some Year 10 students having a photo with Eddie Woo.





Mr David Croft
Head Teacher Mathematics

Mathematics - continued

MATHEMATICS-STATS EXPLORE DAY

Ms South had great pleasure accompanying 10 enthusiastic Year 8 and 9 Mathematics students to the Maths-Stats Explorer Day at the University of Wollongong on Friday 30 November. The day targets students in the Illawarra region and is designed so that after participating, the students appreciate the study of Mathematics and Statistics and gain ideas about Mathematics or Statistics related career opportunities.

For the day's activities, students were divided into groups with students from other schools. Teachers, UOW academics and Mathematics undergraduate students supervised, encourage and aided students in their problem solving.

The morning activities included a Maths Relay, where students worked on challenging problems and puzzles, then a tour of the campus followed by lunch.

BHS student's comments:

- Kate:** I had fun on Friday. My favourite part of the day was the Maths Relay. It helped me learn a lot of new things about Maths and working together in groups.
- Aidan:** I enjoyed the day. I found the questions challenging and rewarding.
- Iona:** Friday was an enjoyable day that helped me understand many things. The day was fun and got me even more interested in Maths, thanks.
- Samuel:** I had fun trying to figure out all the problems they gave us. I also appreciated all the information they gave us about future schooling.
- Aislin:** I had a fun day on Friday. I loved meeting new people and making new friends. My favourite part was the Maths Relay because it made me work as a team.

The Probability Race, where teams had to solve statistics problems, was after lunch. On completion of each question, team members had to engage in various humorous activities to move balls from one end of the room to the other. The team moving the most balls was declared the winner.

Students then moved to a lecture theatre where undergraduate students gave short presentations about courses of study and their experiences at the University of Wollongong. This was followed by a question and answer session, engaging students and providing them with answers to their many questions. The day concluded with a graduate speaker who talked about how Mathematics can open doors to many career options.

Comments from BHS students:

- Evan:** The staff were friendly, and the activities were fun and well-constructed. I learned about degrees and career work too.
- Coby:** The day was fun. I enjoyed most of it and it was interesting learning about career options in Maths. And the pizza was good.
- Sami:** I enjoyed the day. It taught me the importance of maths, and the huge number of careers that require it.
- Brody:** I really enjoyed the Maths-Stats Explorer Day and learning how Maths can be used in a future career. The pizza was good too.
- Tim:** I enjoyed the day. It taught me about career options and the value of Maths in my future. I'm confident that anyone would value and enjoy their time there.

Mathematics - continued



Mathematics Relay



Probability Game

Ms Lil South
Mathematics Teacher

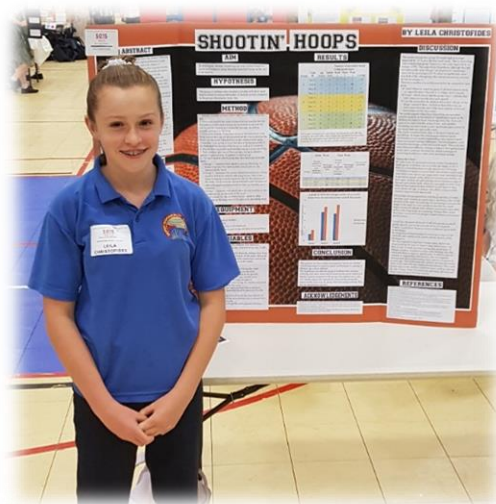
Science



We are very excited to announce that on Friday 16th November Harry Williams of Year 11 was awarded the 2018 Victor Chang Cardiac Research Institute School Science Award. This award is presented each year to one Year 11 student who demonstrates the highest level of educational achievement in Science and seeks to promote the important contribution of Science to society. Harry was a very worthy recipient of this award demonstrating aptitude in her Biology, Chemistry and Physics classes. He received a certificate and has been invited to tour the Victor Chang Cardiac Research Institute to see first hand the remarkable work the researchers complete which we are confident will continue to develop his interest in science and may one day in the future lead to a career in science. Congratulations Harry.

I would like to congratulate Leila Christofides, Ella Park, Shaye Shipton, Bethany Hopkins and Aislin Mayer for their outstanding work and participation in the 2018 Illawarra Coal Science Fair held at the University of Wollongong on Wednesday 28th November. The students spent a lot of time preparing their display boards and reports, the girls are to be commended on their diligent efforts. They were creative, scientifically valid and very interesting projects which required research and effort in the way they were conducted. The students were enthusiastic, polite and happy to share what they discovered with members of the public connecting with our community.

Leila Christofide's project investigated cognitive testing of shooting basketball hoops. She received a Highly Commended certificate and medallion for her display board, this was a fantastic achievement. Thank you to Mr Brankovic who undertook the organisation and for his support for the student entries.



Ms Jo Canvin
Relieving Head Teacher Science

TAS

Congratulations to our Year 7 STEM superstars who recently took out 2nd place at the 4x4 in Schools National Finals. The girls also won the 'Innovation Award' for their creative design skills & were only 1 place away for a spot in the world finals, which we have a feeling they may step up to next year! Well done on representing your school, region & state. You've made us all so proud!



TAS - continued

Congratulations to our two F1 in Schools State Finalist teams that recently competed in the State Finals at Western Sydney University, achieving commendable results. Whilst we didn't achieve a podium finish, both teams represented their school and region with great pride and distinction.



Mr Steve Delaney
Head Teacher TAS

CAPA

The CAPA faculty extend congratulations to both George Whayman and Astrid Bell who were both nominated for Art Express 2018 and well done to Astrid whose works were selected to be exhibited at Hazelhurst Gallery.

A fantastic achievement for both students.

George Whayman:



Astrid Bell:



CAPA – continued

TWILIGHT ZONE

This year's Twilight Zone was outstanding with some exceptional performance by students and staff. With such a wide variety of performance styles including dance, rock bands and a preview of the 2019 musical 'The Adams Family'. Congratulations to all students who participated.



Ms Nephra Forrest
Visual Arts Teacher

SRC Induction

On Tuesday November 27, around 50 parents and friends were guests at the Bulli High School SRC induction ceremony. A record number of students were inducted into the group, which was most pleasing and indicative of the rising profile of the SRC within the school.

The 2019 Leadership Team was inducted, which includes:

Captains: Ellen Couch and Louis Donovan
Vice-Captains: Dakota Tawse and Jack Essenstam
Senior Executives: Olivia Fraser and Tyson Bricknell.

This was made even more rewarding by the fact that both Ellen and Louis have been involved in the SRC continuously from Year 7 through to today, and it was nice to see this commitment rewarded.

The junior SRC representatives inducted were:

Year 7: Sophie Fleming, Gus Hoefsloot, Lillian Iredale, Daniel McCoy, Lani Taylor.
Year 8: Emmelia Beckinsale, Zara Blomquist, Halle Callow, Maeve Hesse, Paige Hirst.
Year 9: Timothy Atkinson, Evan Bissett, Leila Christofides, Ethan Hawken, Brianna Newton
Year 10: Finnegan Callow, Callum Conway, Jordanne Collier, Blake Douglas, Amelie Downie, Evie Fulton

We look forward to another year of solid service to the school and its community from this fine group of young leaders. SRC students and their families are extended my very best wishes for a happy and safe Christmas and New Year.



Mr Brett Pember
SRC Co-ordinator

The Black Diamond Gardening Project

For the past few weeks the students and teachers in the Black Diamond Learning Centre have been creating a beautiful garden and outdoor learning space.

The creation of this vision started with Rhiannon Morgan's native garden plan. Rhiannon is a member of the Thirroul Community Garden organisation. We would like to take this opportunity to thank her for expertise and help, the Botanic Gardens for their donation of plants and Brian from Garrawarra for his donation of composted soil. We would also like to thank the Bulli High School P&C for the funds to get our project off the ground.

The students learnt about native plants and they propagated 50 plants from the school grounds. What a wonderful learning and team building experience!

After this the really hard work began. We laid the cardboard in the shape of the garden plan and we put water on top of it to break it down. We moved the mulch and placed it on the cardboard and then placed **8 tonnes** of soil on top of the mulch. We were very tired.

The last thing we did was put our plants in. This made us feel happy and proud.

The first stage of our garden project is now complete.

Article written by Black Diamond Learning Centre Students

Water Polo

Water polo is not a game for the light hearted, it is fast and furious! On the surface it appears to be an energetic game of passing the ball to another player, making your way to the opposition goal and then throwing it with all of your might into the net. However, underwater it is brutal: kicking, pulling, scratching and let's not forget the wedging..... To master this game you need to be an all-rounder, you need to have the ability to swim (fast), catch the ball (one handed), attack, defend and be willing to take a beating. Bulli High School thrives with students like this, all-rounders with true grit.

For the last three years Bulli High School has won the South Coast Championships for the open girls and under 15s girls divisions, whilst the boys have had similar successes. The under 15s girls and boys teams are off to the NSWCHS titles held in Raymond Terrace on Monday and Tuesday the 10-11 of December. Which we wish them the best of luck.

Over these three years, several of our students have been selected for the South Coast team and this year the South Coast team with Bulli High School students; Olivia and Ella Fraser, Jade Swann and Piper Favelle came 6th at the NSWCHS championships, Piper Favelle taking home the goalkeeper encouragement award. Next week the South Coast boys will complete at the state titles with BHS student Thomas Fraser, who is only 14 and playing with and against 18 year old boys. What is remarkable is that three of these players are all siblings and their passion is water polo. Olivia, Ella and Thomas Fraser have all been selected for the NSW state teams outside of CHS tournaments. It has been fantastic that our comprehensive high school has been able to allow these athletes to shine and fulfil their sporting dreams.



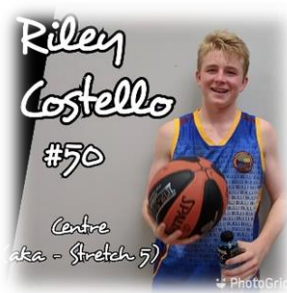
Basketball

CONGRATULATIONS to the Bulli High School Year 7 & 8 basketballers who are the undefeated champions of the Coenraad Cup in BOTH Division 1 & 2!

Jaryd Turner & Mason Broadhead took out competition MVP honours for their respective teams, whilst Judah Kami was a lock down defender every game with our Division 1 team defeating Woonona, Keira & Wollongong High School in their pool matches before taking down Keira HS again in the finals. Corban 'Downtown' Brown was doing it all on O with a barrage of 3s & points in the paint, whilst Riley Costello was a force inside too. Eamonn was smooth throughout the tournament & demonstrated his deft touch knocking down countless J's & Cuba simply shone as that intangible guy that gets stuff down... AND since we were light on numbers he played in BOTH divisions all day!

J Turner was a man on a mission in Division 2 as he ran the show & started with his step back J, though Jacket Eurostepping drives had the crowd cheering! James Downie was possibly the toughest man in the paint as he completed for boards & banged for buckets, whilst fellow Yr7 young gun Callum showed great composure & skill in the shooting guard spot.

Congratulations young ballers & we look forward to even more success in 2019!



Mr Steve Delaney
Head Teacher TAS

CROSSROADS UPDATE: NOVEMBER 2018

Recently Bulli High School hosted a 'Living Books' event. This is a Wollongong City Council initiative whereby members of the community offer to share their diverse and fascinating life stories in open conversation with others. Year 11 students had preselected 2 'books' of whom they were interested in speaking to and these conversations took place on November 13. There were strong personal connections for young people dealing with a number of issues affecting young people, as well as plenty of learning about cultural perspectives. Conversations included reflections on future careers and pathways and ways to rethink the pressure of the HSC.

Many interesting themes were raised including:

- what value do I place on being happy in my employment"
- don't lose hope for your future, if your marks aren't what you wanted
- why are some questions about transgender inappropriate?
- how wars change people's lives forever

The following comments from the students reflect the powerful impact of the experience.

"Getting perspectives from people who have faced adversity reminds you to remain positive and not give up."

"make every second of your life count"

"I feel like if I ever go through something like depression, there is always someone to talk to"

"I learnt new things about feminism"

"I think I am able to discuss serious issues such as domestic violence and mental illness now, more than I could before"

"what others think of me isn't my problem"

"just how different and extraordinary ADHD is to what I previously perceived"

"an inspiring experience"

"opened my mind and heart to so much, how you can take control, not be a victim and conquer your life"

"accept change"

"reach out if you need help"

"this was beyond amazing!"

"this has encouraged me to stand for equality"

"The Living Books not only discusses the powerful and eventful lives of certain individuals, it highlights important issues that we as humans must face in everyday life. 'Living Books' has shown me that no matter the situation you are facing during your lifetime, there will always be a light at the end of the tunnel. If you or anyone you know is involved in a difficult situation never be afraid to seek help! Thank you all very much."

This event along with a Careers activity workshop facilitated by Mr Harding, concluded the Crossroads program for this year group. The students have participated in a range of activities throughout the year and judging by the evaluation of the program, the best was certainly saved for last!!!! Thank you to all staff and students who have supported Crossroads in 2018.

CROSSROADS UPDATE: NOVEMBER 2018 - continued



Careers Workshop



Dakota & Sage volunteer to take the guide dogs for a walk



The conversations



Debrief in Studio B with Sarah Stuart from Wollongong City Council

Ms Katie Pidhirny
Crossroads Co-ordinator

Library

PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE



Congratulations to Celeste Kelly who was awarded a PRC medal. Celeste has completed the PRC challenge every year from year 3 to year 9. Well done on this wonderful achievement.

RENAISSANCE READING PROGRAM

Congratulations to the following students for their continued participation and outstanding effort.

YEAR 7

William Banyard	Star Reader Award and Advanced Reader Award
Gus Battestini	Star Reader Award and Advanced Reader Award
Finlay Beard	Rising Reader Award
Thomas Bent-Genge	Rising Reader Award
Harper Bowles	Rising Reader Award
Mahtia Dowd	Rising Reader Award
Marin Duggan	Advanced Reader Award and Super Reader Award
Angelina Grainger	Rising Reader Award
Aiden Greenlees	Rising Reader Award and Super Reader Award
Luke Higson	Advanced Reader Award and Super Reader Award
Ky-Anh Pham	Rising Reader Award
Joel Powell	Super Reader Award
Evan Robinson	Star Reader Award
Daisy Scott	Rising Reader Award
Hugh Spencer	Super Reader Award
Tara Thomson	Advanced Reader Award and Super Reader Award



Library - continued

YEAR 8

Zara Blomquist	Star Reader Award
Cate Connor	Star Reading Award
Jacqueline Dreghorn	Advanced Reader Award
Angus Farley	Star Reader Award
Amahla Gunning	Super Reader Award
Vincent Heap	Star Reader Award
Bethany Hopkings	Star Reader Award
Kaia Howland	Super Reader Award
Lenix Kriss	Super Reader Award
Lachlan Le Mesurier	Super Reader Award
Aiden Rickard	Advanced Reader Award
Ariel Scozzafava	Advanced Reader Award
Mikayla Spencer	Super Reader Award



TIME TO RETURN YOUR BOOKS

As the end of the year draws near it's time to start returning any outstanding library books. Borrowing will end this year for students in years 7 to 10 in week 7.

Miss Kylie Martin
Teacher/Librarian

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS



The Uniform Shop will close for 2018 on Thursday 13th December

We will re-open in the first week back in 2019 on Tuesday 29th January

In this first week we will be open on Tuesday 29th, Wednesday 30th & Thursday 31st January
from 9.00am till 3.00pm

Uniform pickups for Year 7 and Year 11 are on Thursday 24th January & Friday 25th January
from 10.00am till 2.00pm

Year 11 uniforms can also be picked up this year anytime before we close

PLEASE NOTE: NO ONLINE PAYMENTS OR ORDERS

Kerry & Marie

CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS

Bulli High Canteen

Bulli High School canteen is our biggest fundraiser for our school
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We have 4 people everyday
2 volunteers, 2 staff

It's 1 day per month, 9.30am – 2.30pm approximately

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Dr Rip's 'Science of the Surf'

Saturday 15th December 2018, 10.00am – 11.15am Coalcliff Surf Life Saving Club Surf Club Road, Coalcliff, park in the street near the picnic shelter.

Science of the Surf is a fascinating, entertaining and multiple award winning visual presentation on how our beaches work.

From the journey of tiny little sand grains on your favourite beach, to the massive swell that rolls in during big storms, to how to spot a deadly rip – this talk is for anyone who loves the beach environment. It has a strong safety theme throughout. A demonstration of how rips behave using harmless purple dye will occur after the presentation. The visually powerful talk is presented by Professor Robert Brander, AKA Dr Rip Australia's best known surf scientist and a local resident.

Suitable for 8 years and up

Cost: \$2.00 donation to Coalcliff SLSC

Signed copies of Dr Rip's Essential Beach Book will be available for purchase at \$30

BEES Website: <http://www.bees.unsw.edu.au/rob-brander>

Personal Website: www.scienceofthesurf.com

Facebook: Dr Rip's Science of the Surf

Dr Rip's Essential Beach Book; everything you wanted to know about surf sand and rips (hardback or ebook) available at: <http://www.scienceofthesurf.com/book.html>

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Learn new skills!

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Scouts (10 ½ - 14 ½ years) 7:00-9:00pm Monday Evenings

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Come along to our Hall at 20 Moore Street Austinmer.

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Shellharbour

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Kiama

4232 0444

council@kiama.nsw.gov.au

2018	30 July	Shellharbour
	15 August	Kiama
	11 September	Wollongong
	5 November	Shellharbour
	11 December	Wollongong

2019	11 February	Shellharbour
	12 March	Wollongong
	17 April	Kiama
	27 May	Shellharbour
	4 June	Wollongong



SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

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PARKOUR — \$40

Wednesdays 9am - 3pm

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Thursdays 9.00am - 3pm

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CREATIVE KIDS PROGRAM A STEP CLOSER

Families across NSW will soon be able to access the new **\$100 Creative Kids voucher** unlocking the creative abilities of a new generation across the State from **1 January 2019** when the program takes effect.

All relevant providers have been asked to register with Service NSW so they can participate in the program.

Parents will be able to use **one voucher for every school-age child per year** to help meet the cost of structured creative and cultural activities, such as **music lessons, languages, coding, drama and theatre, photography and graphic design**.

So far more than \$200 million has been returned to households this calendar year through various cost of living incentives. Creative Kids will provide parents with even more hip pocket relief.

There are thousands of organisations out there who could be eligible for the program. I am calling on them to register with Service NSW so that parents can claim their \$100 vouchers with them in the New Year.

This is a fantastic initiative that is only made possible because of the strong economic position of the NSW Government.

We can afford to deliver real savings that help the working families of NSW and reduce barriers to healthy activity.

This program compliments the hugely popular Active Kids voucher and for a family with two children, Creative and Active Kids combined will save them \$400 a year.

Creative Kids is one of a raft of NSW Government initiatives helping to ease cost of living pressure for households. Others include cheaper Green Slips and refunds, free car registration for regular toll users and the FuelCheck app.

Further information including guidelines for providers is available at www.service.nsw.gov.au/creativekids. I encourage parents to speak to the providers of their children's creative activities and ensure that they register.

GARETH WARD MP
 Member for Kiama
 Parliamentary Secretary for Education

AUTISM SUPPORT IN WOLLONGONG LGA



The Autism Community Network provides free support during school terms for families living with autism conditions. If you would like to meet other carers who understand you or find social opportunities for your ASD child and their siblings, please contact us or come along to our free support group meetings.

WOLLONGONG SUPPORT GROUP

Meets Last Thursdays 10am to noon

VENUE: Illawarra Leagues Club

Come along and meet other parents and carers for mutual support.

STANWELL TOPS YOUTH CLUB

Meets Fridays during school terms 4.30 to 6.00 pm

VENUE: Stanwell Tops—address avail on booking

Social group for 6 people aged 16-25 years with ASD and high needs

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