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Term 3 Week 5

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Japanese Student Exchange Visit



Principal's Report



Term 3 has begun again in a busy and exciting way. Students, staff and parents have been actively involved in many fantastic events and quality learning activities.

Parent-Teacher Night

After half-yearly reports were posted home, we held our annual mid-year Parent-Teacher Interviews. Parent attendance was strong and it continued the **genuine partnership** we share with parents. Parents are encouraged to contact teachers about their child's progress at any time.

Year 10 Transition

Students in Year 10 recently participated in interviews at Jesmond Campus concerning their subject selection for Year 11 next year. This is an important process as the students move on to HSC studies.

Contributions and Charges

Thank you to parents who have already paid the school contributions and elective charges. Invoices for unpaid accounts will be posted home soon. These contributions and charges are used wisely to continue strong programs of support for every child.

School Audit

We have recently had an official audit by the Department of Education auditors. These audits cover a range of school functions including child protection, student attendance, finances, budgeting, assets and work/health/safety. The good news ... we passed comprehensively, with only a few minor recommendations.

Improved Attendance

Good news! Student attendance during the first half of the year has continued to improve and is currently above NSW average. However, there is still room for improvement. **We value good school attendance** as it is vital for successful student learning. We continue to thank parents who make sure that their children attend school on every possible day.

Term 3 Assessments

I continue to encourage parents to assist their children with upcoming assessment tasks by referring to the **assessment booklets** that have been given to all students. These contain some details of all planned assessment tasks for the year. These booklets can also be found on the school website.

I am increasingly proud of the positive, safe and caring environment here at Waratah that, along with high expectations, provides excellence in learning and teaching.

**Mr D Fuller,
Principal**

Stage 4 Deputy Principal Report

There are so many great events and activities happening in the school at the moment that it is hard to acknowledge all of them in one document, but I will take the time to acknowledge all our student leaders in the school.

Our "Making A Difference" (MAD) Team members are doing such a great job of being involved in fundraising, welcoming guests into the school, and setting high expectations for all students in terms of participation. The Student Representative Council team had another meeting just this week and were very animated in their discussions about their goals for the school. A huge thanks also needs to go to Ms Grieve, as SRC coordinator, and also to the Year Advisers who work so collaboratively with these students.

We have been refining our attendance processes again. The next step that we have taken is to formalise the process for attaining an Early Leavers Pass.

There is now an Application Form for anyone who is wanting to have their student leave the school early, on a **regular basis**. A panel will meet and assess each application and then respond to the parent. We hope that this process will ensure more clarity, equity and communication around regular early leave.

Contact the school if you would like to discuss anything in regards to attendance.

Another aspect that we would appreciate your support on is students having their ID card on them at all times. This helps if they sign in late and also with borrowing equipment or printing at school. The ID card means that students can access these machines independently of staff.

**Ms Nicole Avard,
Stage 4 Deputy Principal**

Community Liaison Officer's Report

Can you believe we are more than half way through the year? Our 'new' Year 7 students, who are not new anymore, are already maturing into lovely young adults. In fact, paperwork arrived in the mail yesterday as a reminder for the 2017 Year 7 school camp.

Exciting events continue to happen on campus and I'd like to plant the seed as a reminder for our Father's Day (Big Blokes) Breakfast. It will be on **Friday, 2nd September** so please lock it in. We hope to see you there. Another reminder is that if you are a female primary carer, you too are more than welcome.



Once again, I would like to offer massive appreciation to our wonderful community. We are blessed to belong to a fantastic group. Ethnic Communities Council, The Fresh Ingredient and Baker's Delight, Waratah, just to name a few.



**Ms Marcelle Powell,
Community Liaison Officer**

Year 11 Subject Selection Interviews

Students in Year 10 attended individual subject selection interviews at Jesmond Senior Campus in Week 1, Term 3.



Parents were also invited to attend with their child and had the opportunity to discuss HSC subject preferences, career pathways and further study aspirations, with an interview panel of teachers from both Waratah and Jesmond Campuses.



This collaborative approach helps ensure a personalised and relevant subject selection that best meets the potential and desired outcome for each student.

**Ms A Grieve,
Careers Adviser**

Years 7-9 Subject Electives

Students in Years 7-9 attended a variety of displays in different key learning areas to assist selection of subject electives for 2017.



Parents and carers were also invited to tour the campus facilities and to gain information about the resources and subject choices their child can select from.



**Mrs A Blight,
Head Teacher, Teaching and Learning**

NAIDOC Week



Students from Waratah Technology Campus celebrated NAIDOC in a spectacular way with Aboriginal Elders and guest speakers. Our Indigenous girls are part of a College dance group and our boys are part of the College didgeridoo group.



Mr Darren Woodhouse, CLO

AIM High, Skills for Success Day

Recently, Years 7 & 9 students attended the University of Newcastle 'AIM High, Skills for Success' Day. The students were issued with handouts for the Cornell Note Taking technique which they used on the day. This form of note taking is encouraged at the University of Newcastle.

Lecturers explained that this method was a means for students to take ownership for their own learning and allowed them to progress to the next level of independent learning.

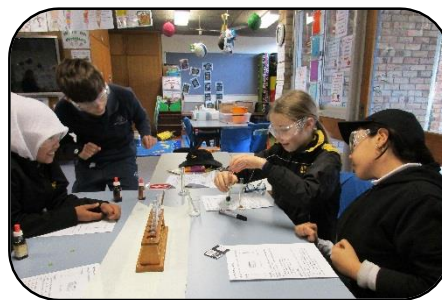


Ms A Grieve, Careers Adviser

Waratah Cluster 'Taster Lessons'

Waratah Technology Campus teachers from 9 subject areas, took part in a new transition program involving the 10 partner primary schools in the Waratah Cluster.

Students in Years 4, 5 and 6 selected three high school lessons that were delivered at their own Primary School from specialist Waratah teachers over three weeks. High school student mentors assisted in the lessons which included Crossfit, Science, German, Mathematics, Creative Writing, Engineering Mystery Challenge, Electric Vehicles and Music Composition.



Waratah Technology Campus prides itself on its comprehensive transition programs to help prepare students for high school life as well as introducing some of the exciting range of subjects available to them.

Ms A Grieve, Careers Adviser

Aboriginal Education Unit

We have been very busy here at CCWTC in Aboriginal education. Towards the end of last term we supported many of our primary schools with their NAIDOC celebrations. Our students shared cultural dance and Yadagi (Didge) performances as well as running workshops in Dance, Yadagi, Art and Traditional games. We celebrated our NAIDOC on Monday, 1st August with a formal assembly and then onto our Aboriginal student "Deadly Awards".



Mr Leigh Ridgeway, Kolby Van Zeist, Brayden Webb, Mr Darren Woodhouse, Ethan Crump, Tyler Gersbach and Mrs Debbie Shute at the Deadly Awards



Brayden Webb running Yadagi (Didge) workshops at Waratah West Primary School



Mr James Ostermann, Issabella Brain, Tanesha Griffen, Jessie Murray, Mahlek Ping and Mr Lindsay Morrow at the Deadly Awards

We had Mr Leigh Ridgeway, Aboriginal Community Liaison Officer and Traditional Owner from Worimi Country deliver his address about the theme for this year (Songlines - the living narrative of our nation). Mr Ridgeway also presented NAIDOC Deadly Awards to some of our students.

This term we are running the following programs, BroSpeak and SistaSpeak. These programs promote cultural identity and goal setting. We are also running Turukilliko Kia Kia, which in Awabakal language means - (grow, strong, courageous and powerful). This program has been developed as a joint initiative between CCWTC and Newcastle Family Support service, promoting cultural identity and resilience through mindfulness activities. The program will be delivered at Newcastle Family Support Service on Tuesdays and will be facilitated by Maxine Fennell (Aboriginal Community Worker) and Darren Woodhouse, Community Liaison Officer at CCWTC. We look forward to this partnership.

Students from our Dance and Yadagi groups were also acknowledged with Certificates of Appreciation at a recent assembly for their participation in the opening ceremony of the Grand Masters Hockey World Cup by Mr Ian Ross, Deputy Principal of Callaghan College Jesmond Campus, who was an organiser of the event.



Cam Vale - Chief Executive
Hockey Australia



Mr Darren Woodhouse, CLO
On behalf of the Waratah Aboriginal Education Team



CAPA Faculty

A Brush with Fame

What a great experience to have such an awesome musician spend the day with us in Week 2. Year 9/10 music classes got to listen to Ben from the band "Boo Seeka" speaking about his journey to fame. He also played a number of songs acoustically, which was an amazing opportunity for the students.

Kaela McAlpine of Year 10 performed one of her original songs for Ben and the class after which he gave Kaela some positive feedback. Ben also stuck around for autographs, photos and let students play his guitar which Jack Johnson gave to him when touring during the Victoria Bushfire appeal.



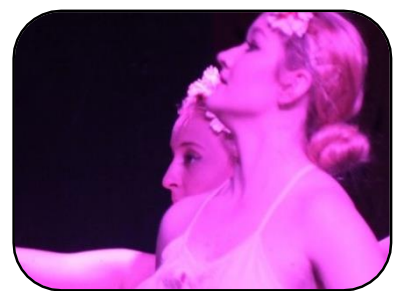
Variety Night

Thursday, **15th September** is our Annual Variety Night, which is looking like an awesome evening. Students are practicing madly on a mix of acts, including circus, dance, and musical items.

Performances start at **6:30pm** and if you arrive a little earlier you may score a sausage sizzle that will be cooked up for the performers.

GOLD COIN ENTRY per person for 25 student performances plus a few guest performances.

Below are some performances from 2015



Dance Festival



Callaghan College Waratah Campus



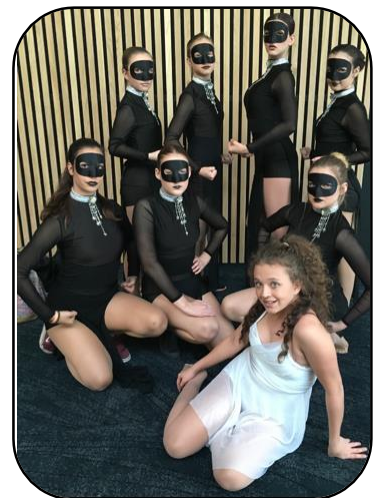
On the 25th July, eight of our Dance students took to the stage to perform at the 2016 Hunter Dance Festival.

Congratulations to Kayla Jukes, Kaitlin Deacon, Ebony Warner, Ariana Carraro Karmaniolos of Year 10, Breeanna McPherson of Year 9, Sophie Castle, Brianna Mavridis and Imogen Bashford of Year 8 on their perfect performance!

*The piece was called "**Darkness**". This dance was created by our 4 Year 10 Dance students as a part of an assessment. Their movements reflected the turbulent and uncontrollable side of War and the nightmares suffered by those surrounded by darkness.*

I received lots of praise from numerous event organisers and staff from Wests Newcastle about our students, how polite and organised they were and the Coordinator of the entire event said to me, **"Wow! A stand out performance from a gorgeous and professional looking group"**.

I also had numerous enquiries from parents and teachers from other schools, in regards to the assessment task they had completed and how amazing the performance result was.



The piece was well received by the audience and I am extremely proud of their efforts. Well done!

Ms M Freeman

Languages Faculty

Bonjour, Konnichiwa, Hallo

Deutsche Nachrichten – (German News)

This term Year 7 students have been busily working, learning new vocabulary and sentence structures to talk not only about themselves and their families but also their pets in German. They have completed their major assessment task of writing about their families. So far Fintan Lojewski, Natalia Collinson, Rose Brown and Brendan Rutherford have achieved excellent results, but marks are still rolling in, so stay tuned for more outstanding marks. A big congratulations also to Jack Stolzenburg for receiving this term's Excellence Award in language. Jack works continuously hard in class and is achieving excellent results in German.

日本のニュース (Japanese news)

The Japanese class have been preparing for the visit of 17 Japanese students who will be staying with host families from our school. Year 9/10 Japanese class will be singing them a song in Japanese, making speeches to make them feel welcome and to show off their language skills.

Congratulations to Kaewa Pike for receiving this terms Excellence Award in language. Kaewa consistently approaches class tasks in a positive and diligent manner.



Students doing Japanese Calligraphy at the end of Term 2

Don't forget!

The year is passing by quickly and students have been looking at subjects for next year. Next year, students in Years 8, 9 and 10 (100 hour) can elect 'Languages', where we will study an array of languages (Spanish, French, Japanese, German) and personalise learning to student preferences or a 200 hour German Elective.

Yours in languages, **Miss L Taylor**

NSW SCHOOL VACCINATION PROGRAM 2016

School vaccination clinics continue on **Tuesday October 11.**

WHAT IF MY CHILD HAS MISSED A VACCINE?

If your child has missed any vaccinations they will be offered any missed doses at the next clinic at their school.

WHAT IF MY CHILD HAS NOT RECEIVED ALL HPV VACCINES BEFORE THE END OF 2016?

Any Year 7 student with missed doses of HPV vaccine can be caught up in 2017.

Additionally – any Year 8 student who commenced HPV vaccination while in Year 7 and are yet to finish all 3 doses of HPV (and who has not received any from their local doctor) can still receive these at the next clinic at their school.

Don't forget a Record of Vaccination is given to each student for each vaccination. Parents/guardians should ensure that this record is kept for future reference and should not assume that their child has been vaccinated if they do not receive this Record of Vaccination.

Any questions, visit the NSW Ministry of Health website at:

<http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation/Pages/schoolvaccination.aspx>

Sport Mid Late Term 3

15's Knock-out Quarter-Final Rugby League Teams - The following students represented the Campus in the Knight's Knock-out Quarter Final:

Year 8 – Liam Badier, Jackson Macintyre, Liam Malone, Bailey Mills, Archer Russell, Fetoumaka Sikahele

Year 9 – Jay Bailey, Callum Harding, Cory Lewis, Deegan Livermore, Bailey Myers, Noah Panella, Kasikile Saidi, Munga Saidi, Jackson Saunders, Lachlan Summers and Hayden Taylor

Year 10 – Patrick Hill and Cormac McHenry

NRL Girls Legend Day – The following students represented in a participation day:

Year 7 – Caidence Macintyre, Layla Rhodes, Saige Stow

Year 8 – Jada Beale, Lillian King, Clarissa Moran, Amy Phillips, Stephanie Smilevski and Madissen Webb

Year 9 – Natasha Burt, Tanesha Griffen, Brittany Hunt, Heimoana Sikahele, Oaklee Tighe, Tayla Walton and Nikita Young

NRL 9's Rugby League Day – The following students represented in a participation day:

Year 7 – Georgia Finn, Cala Jones, Caidence Macintyre, Layla Rhodes, Saige Stow

Year 8 – Amy Phillips, Stephanie Smilevski and Clarissa Moran

Year 9 – Natasha Burt, Jodie Foster Harding, Tanesha Griffen, Brittany Hunt, Eloise Murnane, Heimoana Sikahele, Oaklee Tighe, Tayla Walton, Bridie Watson and Nikita Young

Year 10 – Katerina Peterson

Regional Athletics – The following students were selected to represent the zone at the Regional Athletics Carnival:

Year 7 – Hallam Carlson, Cody Hill, Zek Lowa and April Rodgers

Year 8 – Nicholas Fallou-Killick

Year 9 – Jemma Cox

Year 10 – Timanu Alexander and Patrick Hill



Hunter Region Mountain Biking Championship – The following student attended this championship:

Year 7 – James Walton

Hunter Region Orienteering Championship – The following student attended this championship:

Year 8 – Amy Phillips

Primary School Netball Gala Day Referee – The following students refereed at the gala day for the primary schools:

Year 7 – Hannah Capper

Year 9 – Natasha Burt

Australia Futsal Representative



Good luck to Georgina Markovich who will be representing Australia in Futsal. She left for Brazil on Friday, 12th August competing against a number of teams over a few weeks. Georgina is a defensive player in the 15's team.

Miss K Bradley, Sports Organiser



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**Please note Year 7 2017 Parents -
Lay-bys may be made as well**

Chess



Semi-finals to be played at Coal Point Primary School on Friday, 12th August. Students representing Callaghan College are: Karungu Kagombe, Jett Stewart (Jesmond Campus) and Bilal Mohammad, Jackson West (Captain) and Jawid Ahmad (Waratah Campus).

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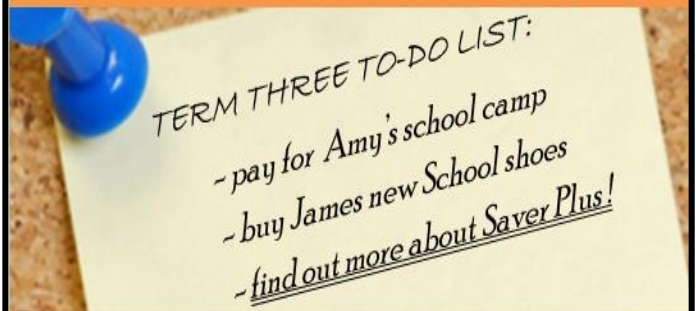
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