

Strive to Achieve Term 4 Week 6 16 November, 2020

#### Value of the Week

**Participation.** We promote participation & school spirit in an environment that values the participation of students, staff & the wider community. Are you actively involved in the life of the school?

#### School Calendar November

- **17** EOY Sec. Presentation Day
- 18 Year 12 Formal

#### December

- **11** Primary EOY Presentation Day
- 16 K-12 Last day of Term 4



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#### At the going down of the sun and in the morning, we will remember them.



**Remembrance Day** (sometimes known informally as Poppy Day owing to the tradition of the remembrance poppy) is a memorial day observed in Commonwealth member states since the end of the First World War to remember the members of their armed forces who have died in the line of duty. Following a tradition inaugurated by King George V in 1919, the day is also marked by war remembrances in many non-Commonwealth countries. Remembrance Day is observed on 11 November in most countries to recall the end of hostilities of First World War on that date in 1918. Hostilities formally ended at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month, in accordance with the armistice signed by representatives of Germany and the Entente between 5:12am and 5:20am that morning. ("At the 11th hour" refers to the passing of the 11th hour, or 11:00 am.) The First World War officially ended with the signing of the Treaty of Versailles on 28 June 1919.

The tradition of Remembrance Day evolved out of Armistice Day. The initial Armistice Day was observed at Buckingham Palace, commencing with King George V hosting a "Banquet in Honour of the President of the French Republic"<sup>[</sup> during the evening hours of 10 November 1919. The first official Armistice Day was subsequently held on the grounds of Buckingham Palace the following morning. During the Second World War, many countries changed the name of the holiday.

Member states of the Commonwealth of Nations adopted Remembrance Day, while the US chose Veterans Day.







In Australia, Remembrance Day is always observed on 11 November, regardless of the day of the week, and is not a public holiday; it is a time when people can pay their respects to the substantial number of soldiers who died in battle.

Some institutions observe two-minutes' silence at 11:00 am through a program named Read 2 Remember, children read the *Pledge of Remembrance* by Rupert McCall, and teachers deliver specially developed resources to help children understand the significance of the day and the resilience of those who have fought for their country and call on children to also be resilient when facing difficult times. Services are held at 11:00 am at war memorials and schools in suburbs and cities across the country, at which the "Last Post" is sounded by a bugler and a oneminute silence is observed.

In interwar Australia, Remembrance Day (then often referred to as Armistice Day) was a popular public commemoration. However from 1946 to the 1970s, Australians observed Remembrance Sunday following the British pattern. It is only in the 1980s and 1990s that Remembrance Day was once again systematically observed on 11 November. *Wikepedia* 





### Thank you will never be enough.





#### **REL. DEPUTY PRINCIPAL:**

Busy, busy, busy time of the year. The Year 12 cohort finished their HSC exams on Friday 11 November. Their formal will be held

on Wednesday, 18 November. It will be fantastic to see them all dressed up at their last engagement as a year group.

I along with the rest of the school wish them all the best when their HSC and ATAR (Australian, Tertiary Admission Rank) results become available on Wednesday, 16 December. We hope they receive the marks required for whichever direction their vocation leads them.

#### Academic Year Changeover

The new academic year for Secondary BCS students begins on Monday, 16 November. On this date all students will be commencing the next year, i.e. Year 7 students will be going into Year 8 and so on. The new Year 11 students are expected to be in their senior school uniforms from this date. If this presents an issue for any parents or carers then the student can continue to wear the junior uniform until the senior uniform can be organised.

Students will have a new timetable and will need to have new school books for each subject area. Teachers will advise students of the specific equipment requirements in each area.

There may be some small class changes needed to be made, but all classes will have the singular purpose of enhancing teaching and learning.

#### Reminder

The formal Secondary assembly, Tuesday, 17 November, 10:00am. The Primary assembly will be held on Friday, 11 December. *Chris Gladys* 



## Stephen Bromhead MEMBER FOR MYALL LAKES Parliamentary Secretary for Regional Transport

We understand that for some students, their learning stagnated during the pandemic, and tuition in a small group will help re-engage

these students in their education.

For the first time in NSW, students will receive free tutoring in 2021, thanks to a landmark \$337 million

program as part of the NSW 2020-2021 Budget.

This year has been challenging for everyone, and it

has been a particularly disruptive year for our

school students.

I am excited about this Budget commitment, as not only will it assist our students, it will also provide unprecedented employment opportunities for qualified teachers and university tutors who may be short on work. It will also provide support for casual, part time, retired and university undergraduate tutors providing them with additional employment. People interested in taking part can register their interest at https://www.teach.nsw.edu.au/find-teaching-jobs/covid-learning-support-program

If you have any questions regarding how this will benefit your local school, please do not hesitate to get in touch with my office for further information. *Stephen Bromhead MP, Member for Myall Lakes Parliamentary Secretary for Regional Transport* 



A school with PRIDE!!

#### Intention to apply for Year 7 placement in a selective high school in 2022

Dear Parent/Carer

Selective high schools cater for academically gifted students with high potential who may otherwise be without sufficient classmates at their own academic standard. Selective high schools help these students to learn by grouping them with students of similar ability, and by using specialised teaching methods.

Applications for selective high school placement are considered mainly on the basis of the Selective High School Placement Test results and school assessment scores. The Selective High School Placement Test will be held on Thursday 11 March 2021.

If you would like to have your child considered for Year 7 selective high school entry in 2022, you need to apply on the internet using a valid email address (not the student's email address).

Detailed instructions on how to apply online will be available in late September 2020 at https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7.

The application website opens at that link on 6 October 2020 and closes on 9 November 2020. You must apply before the closing date.

There are no paper application forms. If you do not have internet access, you could apply at a public library. If you have a disability that prevents you from using a computer, you can contact the Team for assistance after 6 October 2020.

You must submit only ONE application for each student.

The tear-off slip below is not an application and the school cannot apply on your behalf.

#### Yours sincerely

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Principal

#### THIS IS NOT AN APPLICATION FOR ENTRY TO A SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL.

This is a notice to your primary school only that you intend to apply.

TO APPLY YOU WILL NEED TO REGISTER AND THEN APPLY THROUGH THE HIGH PERFORMING STUDENTS WEBSITE:

https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes

----- Cut here and return the note below to the school -

#### Intention to apply for Year 7 placement in a selective high school in 2022

Student's name: \_

Class:

I intend to apply for selective high school entry in Year 7 in 2022 through the High Performing Students website between 6 October 2020 and 9 November 2020.

Signature of parent/carer: \_

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## Year 7 Advisor

The phrase 'The Year 7 cohort of 2020 have had a unique start to high school' is an understatement. At the tail end of devastating bush fires throughout the country and into a pandemic that has changed the world, these students have adapted remarkably! The transition into high school is turbulent enough under 'normal' circumstances. Sadly, the Year 7 Camp Toukley had to be cancelled and much of Term 2 and 3 was the time of lockdown. Yet, these students have risen to the challenge, building friendships and strengths which will create group cohesion throughout their secondary years. The start of high school is such an important phase in their young lives and I am sure they will never forget their experiences.

I am very grateful to have had the opportunity to work with this amazing cohort. They have shown such resilience and adaptability! Through the tears, the laughter and the challenges, the year has been interesting for everyone!

Sadly, staffing has declined at BCS and I must move on. It is with great regret that I relinquish my year advisor role. It has been a delight getting to know these bright young people and I depart with special memories of 2020.

My message to Year 7 students; take all opportunities life has to offer you in both hands and run with them! You never know where they may lead! Thank you. *Kate Deaves - Year 7 Advisor* 

ORIENTATION DAY YEAR 7- 2020

Tuesday,

1 December

Students will be provided with the opportunity to familiarise themselves with our school environment and procedures, participate in mini-lessons conducted by 2021 Year 7 teachers and interact with their new class mates. A sausage sizzle prepared by the SRC (School Representative Council) will be provided for lunch, but students will be required to bring their own recess or may purchase from the canteen.

Unfortunately, due to COVID 19 restrictions, parents will be unable to attend on the day. In recognition of this, our school has produced a digital tour of our school which will be available on the school website and Facebook page from mid-November. Students will also be provided with an extensive information pack to take home.

## In addition, only students who have completed the full enrolment process will be eligible to attend Orientation Day.

We look forward to meeting your child and to help them navigate the next stage of their educational journey.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact our office on 4997 4329. *Casey Connell - Year 7 Advisor 2021* 



## REMINDER

If your child has had a laptop during the COVID home learning period, could you please make sure it is returned to the Office/Library by 27 November.

These laptops need to be returned to the school for updates and audit. Thanks.

## Find us on Facebook



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## Are you work ready? Need some help?

Are you 15 -19 years old? Not enrolled in education/ training/employment?

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Mid Coast Connect can assist with: + Find the right course for you + Career planning + Job search assistance + Job applications

+ Resumes & cover letters

Brooke will be at the Bucketts Way Neighbourhood Group 88 King St, Gloucester 26th November 9.30am - 3pm 10th December 9.30am - 3pm Call on 0422 449 482







### Weeks 6 & 7

### Monday to Thursday

Roast Beef Gravy	Roll	\$4.50
Fish & Salad		\$6.00

Friday

Tacos

\$5.50

Orders need to be in by 9:00am

### Go further close to home



Campus

## November 2020 Newsletter Now you can study Uni in Taree



#### Hi there,

My name is Donna Ballard, CEO of the Taree Universities Campus.

As a local to the MidCoast area, I'm excited to share that this month we are announcing the first of our University Partners to support MidCoast students beginning their distance education.

Also - save the date! December 17th will be our official opening of TUC. We can't wait to share our vision with you in person.

Enjoy this month's newsletter, and we look forward to sharing even more with you soon,

Jonna

#### Tell us what you want to study

Expressions of Interest are now open for Taree Universities Campus.

But what does that mean for you?

By showing your interest in studying with TUC, it enables us to collaborate with Universities in making your distance education more achievable. Whilst the University delivers your degree experience, we're here for the practical elements needed to take you from enrolment to graduation, including:

- Dedicated study space
- Open 7am to midnight
- Attend online lectures from Taree campus
- Tutorials
- Mentoring support
- Connections with regional businesses and networking opportunities

We'll be opening our doors in a few weeks' time - to find out what to do next in order to get started studying with TUC, visit tareeuni.org.au/eoi-made-for-more.



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#### Go further close to home



Taree Universities Campus

#### First Uni Partners Announced for 2021 Courses

Central Queensland University and University of New England are confirmed as the first universities in partnership discussions with TUC, and negotiations are continuing with other partners to deliver university degree programs next year.

Expressions of interest are open from potential students for the following courses:

- Nursing
- Business/Accounting
- Agribusiness, Agricultural Science and Rural Science
- Arts
- Education Early Childhood, Primary and Secondary

CEO Donna Ballard is encouraging interested students to visit the TUC website and indicate their choices for studies next year.

#### "Now is the perfect time to plan your 2021, and we want to hear from you."

Taree Universities Campus will provide a range of services for students studying locally, including face-to-face learning, administrative and student support.

"If you have a local job you want to keep, then you can enrol in a course through the Taree campus and do a unit of study after work. You don't need to travel fat, find accommodation or give up your income, and you don't need to be a full-time student," Mrs Ballard said.

"If you're a parent or carer, you can upskill or re-skill yourself after hours all from a dedicated campus in Taree.

"If you're a local business and you have staff interested in retraining, encourage them to study through the Taree Universities Campus so they can still work with you whilst studying," Mrs Ballard said.





#### Dr Alison McIntosh appointed TUC Chair

Wingham local Dr Allson Mcintosh has been appointed as Taree Universities Campus Chairperson.

Alison brings to the role her extensive experience in the academic world. She has a Bachelor of Urban Regional Planning (Hons) and a PhD.

"Being able to successfully complete a degree via distance education – supported by a community-owned, local campus that goes to great lengths to facilitate such success – will energise our area," Dr Mointosh said.

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#### DEPUTY PRINCIPAL INSTRUCTIONAL LEADER:

Kindergarten Orientation For the past two Wednesdays the 2021 Kindergarten students have been visiting us for Kindergarten

Orientation activities. What a fabulous time they have been having, participating in a variety of activities led by some Year 5 buddy leaders. I would like to thank- Charlie, Isaac, Nikita, Isla, Scarlett, Salome, Henry, Jasper, Lacey, Grace, Jadah and Mindy who have been absolutely wonderful leading their groups and developing connections with the new students.

On their first visit, the new 2021 students were all given a special package to take home. This not only included important information for their parents, who still unfortunately cannot join in our activities, but also a whiteboard and markers, name and butterfly cards, dice and a pack of cards, as well as a book of dice and card games to play.

Whilst at school the students have listened to stories, played indoor and outdoor games, drew pictures, built models and made some craft items to take home. It has been very enjoyable for all of us. Thank you to the pre-school staff who assist and support us with this transition.

There are still to more visits, which will be held from 9:30am -12:30pm on Wednesday the 18 and 25 November. We are all looking forward to their next visits.

#### **National Aboriginal**

This year's NAIDOC theme, *Always Was, Always Will Be,* acknowledges this nations story, which began at the dawn of time, before documented European contact. It is a celebration of brilliance, considering Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders were Australia's first explorers, navigators, engineers, farmers, botanists, scientists, diplomats, astronomers, artists, storytellers and even firemen.

Last week our students celebrated and studied this brilliance through research, stories and artworks.

Last Wednesday, we all stood together, in our beautiful blue shirts to acknowledge and recognise these amazing people – those who made the first footprints for us on our wonderful country.

#### Lowitja O'donoghue

Lowitja O'donoghue was born in 1932 in Indulkana, in the north-west corner of South Australia. When she was only 2 years old she had her sisters taken away from her by missionaries. She attended Unley General Technical High School in hopes of being a nurse, but after her initial training she was refused to enter Royal Adelaide hospital.

#### Lowitja O'donoghue's achievements

Lowitja O'donoghue has achieved

NAIDOC Lifetime Achievement award in 2009

• Australian National Living Treasure Award in 1998 *Riley Smith- Year 5* 





#### Cultural Burning What is cultural burning?

Fire stick farming also known as cultural burning and cool burning is the practice of indigenous (first people to the land) Australians regularly using fire to burn vegetation.

#### The benefits of cultural burning

Ideally, a cultural burn helps prevent fire risks, rejuvenate local flora, (scientific name for plants) protect native animals' habitat, and restoring the kinship to the land. It can also help make more 'fire-resilient' landscapes as well as benefit native wildlife.

#### **Reasons for cultural burning**

Cultural burning is a contemporary term used to define these traditional practices that were developed by Aboriginal people to enhance the health of the land and its people. It includes burning or prevention of burning for the health of particular plants and animals. *Jack Murray - Year 5* 

Here are some examples of the artwork completed by Year 3/4.









Bulahdelah Central School is very excited that we are now able to commence Orientation Days for 2021 Kindergarten students after Friday, 30 October.

We will be having 4 consecutive sessions in Term 4, designed to help transition future students by familiarising them with fellow students, the school environment and slowly introducing them to staff and school routines.

These sessions will take place in the Kindergarten classroom at Bulahdelah Central School on the following dates:

Session 3 Wednesday, 18 November 9:30am - 12:30pm
Session 4 Wednesday, 25 November 9:30am - 12:30pm

We have not yet set a time for these sessions, but we will advise you when confirmed.

To be able to participate in these visits, you must have returned your enrolment forms and supporting documents to Bulahdelah Central School prior to these visits. (COVID19 regulations)

We look forward to getting to know our future students.

## What do you expect your child to learn in Kindergarten?

In addition to math and language arts, which are a major focus of kindergarten, children also **learn** science, social science, and usually art, music, health and safety, and physical education.

## What do you expect your child to learn in Kindergarten?

Kindergarten provides your child with an opportunity to learn and practice the essential social, emotional, problem-solving, and study skills that they will use throughout their schooling. The development of self-esteem is one of the important goals of kindergarten.

## What is the most important thing to learn in Kindergarten?

Kindergarten students learn how to identify letters in the alphabet and their sounds, and about letters and sounds that go together to form words. Most kindergarten children are expected to read words by the end of the school year. They also learn to print letters.





#### We're bringing NSW Government services to communities with our Mobile Service Centres

Access frequently used services including:

- Driver Knowledge Tests
- Cost of Living service
- Birth, death and marriage certificates
- Driver licence and Photo Card applications and renewals
- Working With Children Checks.

Visit service.nsw.gov.au/msc to find out when we're next near you.

#### Next in town

18th of November 2020 from 9:00am to 4:00pm at Wade Park 67 Crawford Street Bulahdelah NSW 2423









#### Are you over 18?

Do you have a desire to save towards your child's/ own education expenses/lessons/camp or excursion?

Do you want to receive up to \$500 simply for saving up to \$500 for 10 months?

Do you want to gain quick and easy budgeting and savings tips?

Do you receive a commonwealth social security benefit, payment or allowance and have a Health Care Card or Pension Card?

Do you have an income (including cash and hobby income) or receive Child Support Payments (including private collect)?

Do you have a child at school/about to start school or are you studying yourself?

If you answered yes to the above questions, join the Saver Plus Matched Savings and Financial Education Program today!

#### How to join the Saver Plus Program?

- Fill out an Online Enquiry form www.saverplus.org.au - your Local Saver Plus Coordinator (Claire Rowe) will make contact.
- Or contact your Local Saver Plus Coordinator from The Smith Family directly: Claire Rowe -Phone: 0438 648670/1300610355 Email: Claire.Rowe@thesmithfamily.com.au
- Or complete a Saver Plus Referral Form with your organisation.

Please note: you can only complete the Saver Plus Program once, and you must meet the above eligibility criteria in order to join the Saver Plus Program and become a Saver Plus Participant.

## What is Saver Plus?

A free ten-month savings program providing financial education, budgeting and savings tips.

**Delivered by Brotherhood** of St Laurence, Berry Street, The Benevolent Society and The Smith Family and other local community organisations.

Participants receive up to \$500 from ANZ in matched savings for education costs for themselves or their children.



A Saver Plus Participant's Journey



Talks to a Saver Plus Coordinator from a community organisation and, if eligible for the program, sets a goal to save a regular amount of money over 10 months

across Australia in every state and territory.

Saving Opens an ANZ

Progress Saver account

and makes regular

deposits



Completes the MoneyMinded financial education program with support from a Saver Plus Coordinator



#### Matching

Reaches savings goal and receives matched funds, up to \$500, for their own or their children's education costs



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### Strive to Achieve



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Session 3 Wednesday, 18 NovemberSession 4 Wednesday, 25 November

Next Newsletters for Term 4: 30 November; 14 December

End of Term 4: 16 December

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# *"Teaching kids to count is fine, but teaching them what counts is best."*

Bob Talbert

