

Moss Vale High

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Respectful, Safe and Responsible Learners

16 November 2012

Our Community Minded Moss Vale High School Students



Above : Amelia Murphy at Springetts Arcade Vine Planting on Saturday 10 November.

Students Making a Difference

Ashley Thatcher Yr 8 Brett Sheather Yr 11 Maintaining responsible and respectful behaviour Ongoing support of the PBS Fundraiser

Relieving Principal's Report

Remembrance Day

I was incredibly proud of our students throughout our Remembrance Day assembly last Friday. Our Student Representative Council and School Captains led the assembly in a polished and respectful manner. Amelia Murphy of Year 11 spoke impressively about the importance of Remembrance Day and how it is observed on 11 November to recall the end of hostilities of World War I on that date in 1918. Hostilities formally ended "at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month".

I would also like to thank Mr McGill, Brad Souter, Amelia Murphy and David Sims for representing our school at the Remembrance Day service in Moss Vale on Sunday morning.



Above : School Captains Amelia Murphy, Bradley Souter, David Sims and Lieutenant RAN Nick Sims

Year 6 Interviews

Our staff members have been busy interviewing a number of our incoming Year 7 students for 2013 as part of our 'Learning to Learn' program. This allows the students to meet personally with a member of staff who will gather information about the child's interests, strengths, areas where they may need assistance and any concerns they may have about entering high school. I would like to thank those teachers who have given so generously of their time for these important interviews.

Focus on Writing

This year we have had a special staff team working on improving the writing skills of our students by developing strategies for teachers to implement in their classrooms across all subject areas. This support team in writing consists of Mr Parro, Mr Vasilakis, Ms Davidson, Ms Curtis, Mr Paviour, Ms Crowe and Mrs McKay. The team has developed excellent presentations for all teachers that have been delivered at our staff meetings over the past semester. Teachers have been learning simple strategies to use with their students to improve writing by focusing on important elements as vocabulary, grammar, spelling, sentence structure, punctuation and cohesion. We will continue to focus on developing our students' skills in writing as we know that proficiency in writing leads to greater success at school, particularly in the HSC courses. Many thanks to this hard working team of teachers who have developed outstanding presentations this year.

Uniform

We continue to seek the support of parents in making sure their children come to school in correct uniform. As I have outlined on many occasions, this is a reasonable expectation of our school community and is fully supported by our P&C. Our school also requires students to wear all black leather shoes which safely enclose the foot for Work, Health and Safety reasons. Students are not to wear the canvas rabens at school, not even for sport, and should not be wearing shoes with coloured trims or brand logos. If there are financial reasons preventing students from acquiring correct footwear or uniform, the school is always happy to help families through 'student assistance'.

Positive Behaviour for Success

We are very proud of the vast majority of our students who continue to accumulate merits and awards, and have never been on a

level in their school discipline career. Unfortunately, there is still a minority of students who choose to disregard our reasonable expectations of respectful, responsible and safe behaviour. All of our students should know by now that we will never tolerate bullying, aggressive behaviour, violence, offensive language or continued disobedience. Students are expected to observe our 'contact free/ hands off' rule as this is the only way that we can ensure the safety and wellbeing of everyone in our school community. 'Mucking around' is not an excuse for dangerous or aggressive behaviour.

Please read through the discipline level system on the next page to ensure that everyone is aware of the consequences for poor behaviour. We want our school environment to be a pleasant, calm and safe environment where everyone is treated with respect. Moss Vale High School Year 6 Orientation Day

Date : Wednesday December 5, 2012 Time : 9 am to 1 pm

Mrs P Holmes Relieving Principal

Year 12 Formal Thursday 15 November 2012



Below : Ben Donovan, Sam Donovan, Jodie Donovan, Georgia Sherborne and Penelope Daley





Above : Mr Vandenburgh, Mrs Wells Year Adviser and Mr Carylon

Moss Vale Hígh School Behavíour /Díscíplíne Flow Chart

	Types of Student Behaviour	Consequence	Placement by:
Level			
Level 1	• For low- level behaviour that affects the teaching and learning process in the classroom. The level 1 will generally be for repeated breaches of classroom rules but may be for a single incident if the class teacher deems it to be necessary. This may include failure to do homework, being out of their seat, being off task, distracting other students, arriving late to class, eating/drinking in class, treating school property/others' property disrespectfully, calling out, low level insolence.	LEVEL 1 PLACEMENT INCLUDING: • Detention, class monitoring (blue level 1 sheet), letter home/ phone call must be made to parent/carer. Must be entered on Sentral	Class room teacher. HT informed.
Level 2	• Repeated or more serious behaviour including failure to complete Level 1 consequences. This behaviour may also include low intensity use of inappropriate language, engaging in brief or low- intensity failure to respond to staff requests, name calling, inappropriate (but non-serious) use of technology, persistently arriving late to class, low- intensity misuse of property/equipment, leaving class without permission, fractional truancy, out of bounds	LEVEL 2 PLACEMENT INCLUDING: • Letter Home, B5 detentions, Monitoring, Entered on Sentral	Head Teacher or PGD Supervisor. (The DP may be called upon if HT is absent or unavailable)
Level 3	• Continued or extreme instances of misbehaviour or failure to complete Level 2 consequences. Behaviour that may include continued disobedience, aggressive/dangerous behaviour that does NOT cause injury or pain to another, certain instances of bullying, provoking another student into aggressive behaviour, low level fighting (no physical violence), rudeness to staff where there is NO use of abusive language, first offence of smoking	LEVEL 3 PLACEMENT INCLUDING: • Pre-suspension Warning & Monitoring, Parent Contact, Letter Home (Pre- suspension), 3 x B5 detentions, possible PG exclusion, exclusion from non-mandatory excursions	Deputy Principal/ Principal
Level 4	- Students will be placed on Level 4 and suspension will be implemented if they fail to complete Level 3 consequences or: 2 or more times caught smoking, use of physical violence against a member of the school community, use of offensive/ abusive language which is directed at a staff member, highly inappropriate use of technology (e.g. for purposes of bullying, intimidation), malicious vandalism of school property, continued disobedience, persistent and serious misbehaviour, theft, possession of/using illegal drugs or alcohol, possession or use of weapons or implement used as a weapon, persistent bullying/harassment, physical fighting.	LEVEL 4 PLACEMENT INCLUDING: • Suspension, including suspension procedures and processes • Return from suspension parent interview and RFS contract or risk management plan	Deputy Principal/ Principal



Above : Belinda Reed and Luke Hudd



Above : Clay Caines, Ben Donovan,, Blake Phillips, Rohan Mumford and Nathan Hosking

Below : Maeve Clarke and Katherine Ryan



Above : Penelope Daley and Sam Donovan



Year 12 Formal

Our 2012 Year 12 students celebrated the completion of their high school education last night at Gibraltar Hotel in Bowral. Congratulations Year 12 and all the best for your future endeavours.



Below : Mr Vandenbergh, Jordan Horne, Michelle Anderson and Mr Carylon Below Right: Rhyce McLaren and Georgia Sherborne





Above : Michelle Anderson and Jordan Horne

Right : Lachlan MacLean and Rachel Shaw





Above : Ayisha Dimmock, Jessica Mackinlay and Madeleine Fitzgerald

Below: Jeremy Schnalle and James Austin



Below : Elizabeth Poll and Phoebe Cook





Above : James Austin, Jeremy Schnalle and invited guests



Above : Pollie Miller and Jordan Horne



Above : Hayden Gallen

Clarke and Maddison Duroux



Above : Michael McCandless and Guest

Above : Shelby McAndrew, Hayley Cruickshanks and Ben Donovan Below: Kate Makin Jordan Horne and Hayley Sams





Above : Courtney Roberts, Clay Caines, Ben Donovan and Hayley Cruicksshanks



Ryan, Kristen Williams, Sarah Spence, Maeve

Below: Jodie Donovan, Rachel Donovan and Ben Donovan



Legal Information Session on **Facebook and Texting** Date : Thursday 29 November 2012 Time : 6.30pm Location : Moss Vale High School Library

Senior Constable Gary Mutton, our school liaison police officer, will be coming to the school to present an information session on the inappropriate use of facebook and texting. He will discuss the legal ramifications of students misusing these types of technology and suggest ways that the technology can be used safely.

We urge all parents to attend this very important information session.

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NEXT WORKSHOP

Teaching someone to drive can be a happy experience.

Come along to a FREE two hour workshop

Receive practical advice about:

Supervising learner drivers
Completing the Learner Driver Log Book
6.30pm Wednesday 7 November 2012
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- Completing the cearner oriver by book plus February 13 201: Benefits of supervised on-road driving experience Low risk driving or email melanie.lausz@wsc.nsw.gov.at

Helping learner drivers become safer drivers



NSW 10am Sunday 25 November 2012 This free event is a great opportunity for putting the skills learned at the workshop into practice Learner drivers cover some of the many topics included in the Graduated Licensing Scheme's Learner Log Book and clock up some driving experience hours.

Log Book Run

Learners are accompanied by their supervisors on a local drive (maps and directions provided designed to include a range of driving conditions and tasks such as random breath tests (RBT) roundabouts, highway driving, traffic lights, gravel roads and narrow bridges.

ngs and further enquiries please call 4868 0809. Is conducted by the Wingecarribee Shire Council Road Safety Officer and supported by the RMS



Michael Griffiths has over 20 year professional teaching and playing experience.

Michael has a Bachelor of Music degree (AIM)

Beginner to Advanced CPM syllabus available Range of styles and techniques taught Can start as YOUNG AS 5 And as OLD AS 100!!

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Year 7 Book Pack 2013

A comprehensive pack containing every stationery item (specific to each subject area) that your child will need to start Year 7 2013. Available to purchase starting Week 2 Term 4 (15th October) until sold out from the P & C run CANTEEN @ the school. Tel: 4868 1883 (Between 8.30am - 1.30pm). Cash or cheque only. Please make cheques payable to Moss Vale High School P & C. Please support your child's new school by supporting MVHS P & C Association. \$80 per pack

TO : MOSS VALE HIGH		NOTE OF ABSENCE			
Date :	Address :				
Roll Class :	Year :				
Please excuse the absence of my son/daughter :					
ON (dates)					
Total number of days absent :					
The reason for the absence/s (this reason must be specific, not just "he/she was sick") :					
Parent Name:					
Parent Signature :		Date sent :			
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CHANGE OF ADDRESS / CONTACT DETAILS	OFFICE USE ONLY	r			
NAME :	CHANGED ON				
NEW ADDRESS : PO BOX	ERN				
New Phone No's : Home : Work (M):	EMERGENCY CARD REPRINTED				
Mobile (M) :	BUS Co NOTIFIED				
	RECEIVED NEW BUS FORM				
DATE YOU CHANGED ADDRESS :					
Do you currently have a bus pass?					
NOTE : A new bus pass application must be completed when a student has : a change of address, a change of name, change of school, change of details or comes under joint custody.					