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***Second Best in the State ...
congratulations to our
Boys Hockey Team***



Students Making A Difference

Year 12

**Sam Bromfield, Sam Donovan, Aaron Fahey, Michael Heyhorn,
Hayden McAndrew, Sam Pointing**

Year 11

Blake Hill

Year 9

Ben Bromfield, Thibault Vereecken

Year 10

**Josh Ditton, Jack Donovan,
Max Hanrahan, Jesse Mauger**

Year 7

William Simpson

Our highly successful Boys Hockey team

Principal's Report

Boys Hockey – NSW Runners Up

This week was one that was characterised by outstanding achievement as our Boys Hockey team finished runners up in the NSW CHS Hockey Championships. Congratulations to all the boys and Mr Nash.

The boys travelled to Narellan where they played in a round robin competition with the top eight teams in the state. The boys won their first two games which resulted in them securing a spot in the final. The boys played exceptionally well in the final against Oxley High School from Tamworth, with Oxley running out winners, 5 – 3.

The boys from Moss Vale played exceptionally well, showed great courage and commitment and demonstrated a wonderful level of sportsmanship that demonstrated the fine young men that they are. The team was superbly coached by Matt Nash who has really helped instil a great sense of team work in the boys.

I also want to acknowledge all the parents who were able to attend the final, and all the students and staff who made the trip down to Narellan and helped cheer on our boys. The wonderful positive spirit of Moss Vale High School was clearly on display on Thursday. Well done!

On behalf of the whole school community I want to congratulate all the boys and Mr Nash. We are all very proud of you!

Happy Birthday – Moss Vale High School

On Tuesday of last week, the 10th September, our school officially turned 50. Happy Birthday Moss Vale High School!

This special day saw all the students and staff dress up in fancy dress from back in the 60's. The costumes that everyone wore were absolutely fantastic! We even saw a return of the Beatles.

Our fantastic cookbook, put together so well by Mrs Bev McAndrew, was launched in the library where our staff and a range of students were lucky enough to taste many of the recipes from the book.

There was a very special school assembly where we officially celebrated the fact that Moss Vale High School opened its doors 50 years ago. We saw a range of students wearing old school uniforms, students received some special awards and the winners of our raffle were drawn. It was a wonderful assembly which showcased our great school.

At lunch there was a Nutri Grain eating competition which was taken out by Mr Barros closely followed by **Sam Bromfield**.

I want to acknowledge Mrs Robyn Kirby and all the people in the canteen for taking our school menu back to the 1960's. This last week we enjoyed burgers, chiko rolls, cream buns and vanilla slices amongst many other things. I want to thank them for getting into the spirit in such a big way!

It was a very special day where the amazing positive spirit that exists within our school community was on display.

Next term, from the 25th – 27th October will be the weekend where we get together as a community and celebrate the 50th Anniversary of Moss Vale High School. Look forward to this special weekend!

Well done to everyone who got into the spirit of the day!

School Captains

I want to congratulate our school captains for 2014. Our boys' school captains are **Jayden Cubit** and **Matthew Sainsbury-Dale** and our girls' school captains are **Rhiannon Young** and **Georgia Finlayson**. This is a special honour for these fine young students who have a critical leadership role in our school!

Our students were selected after a thorough selection process involving vote, speeches, and application and an interview. I want to say thank you to the eleven wonderful young people who put their name forward to be the school captains. We are so very proud of them all.

NAPLAN Results

I need to advise parents that the 2013 NAPLAN results will be made available for distribution around the 13th October. This is later than expected. Please contact the school should you have any questions.

Term 3 – Holidays

I want to thank everyone for an amazing Term 3 which was full of achievement! Well done to all of you. You have all deserved a rest over the next two weeks of school holidays! **School will return for students and staff on Tuesday, 8 October 2013.**

I look forward to seeing you then!

Enjoy your school holidays!

Peter Macbeth
Principal

Deputy Principal's Report

Literacy

Our teachers are working hard to improve literacy levels at Moss Vale High School with Mrs Adelle Morris and Mrs Janeen Pepping leading the way. We are particularly focused on improving students' reading comprehension through the use of **seven thinking strategies**.

1. **Building the Field:** This involves using prior knowledge to understand new ideas and texts. The teacher may use such questions as: What do you know about...? Do you remember our study of...?
2. **Visualising:** Learners create a mental image from a text read, viewed or heard. Visualising brings the text to life, engages the imagination and uses all of the senses. The teacher may use such questions as: Can you describe the picture or image you made while you read/heard that part? How did the pictures in your head help you to understand the text?
3. **Making Connections:** Learners make personal connections from the text with something in their own life (text to self), another text (text to text) or something occurring in the world (text to world). The teacher may use such questions/statements as: Has something like this ever happened to you? This character has the same problem that I read/saw/heard in another text.
4. **Monitoring:** Learners stop and think about the text and know what to do when meaning is disrupted. Is this making sense? What have I learned? Should I slow down? Speed up?
5. **Predicting:** Learners use information from graphics, text and experiences to anticipate what will be read and to actively adjust comprehension while reading.
6. **Questioning:** Learners pose and answer questions that clarify meaning and promote deeper understanding of the text. Example questions: What in the text helped me know that? How is this text making me feel? Why is that?
7. **Summarising:** Learners identify and accumulate the most important ideas and restate them in their own words.



Vivo

Vivo Miles is the new way to reward students as they progress through their school life. Teachers will be able to award students with electronic points called Vivos – the new student currency. Students can then spend their Vivos on a range of products on the Vivomiles.com website. Vivos will be used to complement our current merit reward system where students can still achieve the Red, Green, Bronze, Silver and Gold awards. Vivo simply means that rewards will be made online and students will be able to log on and track who has rewarded them and why. Teachers will reward students for things such as working hard and positively contributing to the school community.

We hope students find Vivo Miles an exciting and relevant way to be rewarded for their hard-work, effort and contribution to the school. Students will be able to purchase products from the Vivo shop as they continue to accumulate rewards. Parents will be receiving a detailed letter next term that will outline the entire Vivo program and how they can track their child's progress under this reward system. This letter will explain how parents and students can log on to www.vivomiles.com



Every Vivo counts!

Bronze Award Winners

Congratulations to **Regina Jenkins**, Year 10, **Megan Mulcahy**, Year 7, **Luke Webb**, Year 8, **Rebecca Heyhorn** and **Andrew Zveglic**, Year 7 for gaining their Bronze Awards, which were presented at the recent school assembly. These students have worked hard to accumulate 50 merit certificates in order to gain the Bronze Award.



History Repeating Itself!

Andrew Holm was one of our Vice-Captains for 2013 and did an outstanding job in this role. **Andrew's** grandmother, *Christine Knapman*, was one of the original Vice Captains in 1963. It is a wonderful coincidence that **Andrew** stepped into the role of Vice Captain in this very important year of our 50th anniversary. *Christine* continues to contribute so much time and energy to our school community, particularly through the 50th anniversary committee. Thank you, *Christine* and **Andrew**.



Patricia Holmes
Deputy Principal

Moss Vale High School 1963 – 2013: 50TH BIRTHDAY Raffle Winners

The winners of our Raffle drawn on Tuesday, August 10 were:

Monique Hindmarsh -	<i>Pack of 2 wines</i>	Ron Ardham -	<i>Voucher from Spare Parts</i>
MV Sports and Toys -	<i>Digital Scales</i>	Joello Broalt -	<i>Voucher from Spare Parts</i>
Joelle Breault -	<i>Hood - Surge Protector</i>	Andrew Holm -	<i>Voucher from Iris</i>
Cheryl Neich -	<i>Voucher from Made By Others</i>		

Thank you all the local businesses who donated prizes for our raffle.

Moss Vale High School Boys Hockey team crowned second best school team in NSW

After defeating all teams that came before them in 2013, the Moss Vale High hockey boys found themselves playing in the top 8 tournament to decide the premier school hockey team in NSW. It was the second year in a row that this has occurred after the boys finished fifth last year. This time, however, there was a sense of confidence among the playing group that the team could give the title a real shake and this is exactly what happened.

Moss Vale found themselves playing against a very strong and physical Tamworth High School first up. The boys managed to start in the best possible fashion knocking in a goal in the opening minutes, although the remaining 20 minutes of the first half was all Tamworth with an equaliser coming in the last 10 minutes. After the break, the Moss Vale boys regrouped and started dominating the ball. Tamworth High got very upset with a few umpiring decisions and lost the plot allowing Moss Vale to knock in goal after goal. Tamworth decided to try and muscle the Moss Vale boys although this tactic backfired with two of them receiving a yellow and red card. In the end, Moss Vale played hockey and refused to be drawn into the roughhouse Tamworth tactics and were rewarded with a hard fought 4-1 victory.

The boys had a few hours off before once again running around against Grafton High. We were anticipating a strong tussle, as last year Moss Vale beat Grafton in the playoff for fifth and sixth. The Grafton boys had a very strong passing game and kept a good structure throughout the duration of the match. Moss Vale was struggling in the Narellan heat although eventually they came away with a 5-1 win. This meant that the boys were to play the defending champions Oxley HS (Tamworth) in the Grand Final on the following day.

After a recovery session in the pool and a good night's sleep, the boys were fired up to give their best shot. With a full bus load of supporters coming down from the Highlands, the boys wanted to make sure that they had something to cheer about. A nervous start, however, found Moss Vale behind 2-0 with Oxley utilising their very strong passing game. Other teams might have raised the white flag but our boys dug deep and showed great character to claw back into the game 3 all at half time and wrestle the momentum away from the champs. The crowd was in full voice and getting behind Moss Vale. When the umpire blew the whistle at half time, the Moss Vale huddle was full of confidence that they could beat their opponents and become the best school hockey side in the state. Oxley, however, were a close knit and experienced unit. They didn't let the occasion get the better of them and came out and dictated the second half to win 5-3. It was a tremendous game and certainly a match worthy of a final. In the end, the Oxley boys outclassed Moss Vale although Oxley certainly were given a fight to remember. The boys were initially disappointed although it dawned on them that they had definitely done themselves, their supporters and their school proud. In a school of less than 600 students, it is an outstanding achievement to meet much larger schools in NSW and comprehensively beat all except one. The boys played with a "no regrets attitude" and it certainly showed in their performances. They gave it their all and came away to be the second best school team in NSW. An outstanding performance and one that is rare in a school's history. The team would like to thank all of their supporters for inspiring the team to perform at its best. They would also like to thank the parents who accompanied them and Jon Hill for all of his insights on team tactics. Many thanks go to Mark Bisby and Barry Donovan for umpiring throughout the year.

The team consisted of-

Sam Donovan (Year 12) - The captain of the side and he certainly led from the front. **Sam** scored some powerful goals from the top of the circle and was always in control of the midfield. A brilliant player with a tremendous attitude, on and off the field.



Aaron Fahey (Year 12) - **Aaron** played at the back and was always cool, calm and collected. **Aaron** thwarted many attacking raids from the opposition with great technique. He got the team out of trouble time and time again.

Sam Pointing (Year 12) - **Sam** missed our campaign last year with a broken leg. We were certainly glad he was on the turf this year as his desperation and determination gave the side a tremendous boost.

Hayden McAndrew (Year 12) - **Hayden** played right half and was always so reliable. He was just an absolute work horse and brought the ball up smartly from the back. He never missed a tackle.

Sam Bromfield (Year 12) - **Sam** is such a skilful and dangerous player. He scored many a goal and certainly can hit a ball. The previous weekend he hit a ball with such force it cracked the goal keepers mask!



Sam Bromfield

Michael Heyhorn (Year 12) - The only non-hockey player of the group, he brought his skills from soccer and cricket and certainly adapted fast to the sport. He worried the opposition with his speed.



Blake Hill (Year 11) - our centre forward and a student who is certainly capable of destroying any side on his day. **Blake** is very quick with excellent ball control. He combined effectively with **Sam Bromfield** to worry the backlines of the opposition.

Jack Donovan (Year 10) - **Jack** has an abundance of talent and is one of the classiest players in the team. At times it looks like he has the ball on a string. His stick skills meant that he always drew multiple defenders to him which freed up others to take advantage of this.

Max Hanrahan (Year 10) - **Max** is a dangerous attacking weapon who all opposition teams feared. He scored numerous goals by beating 3 and 4 defenders to then put the ball in the top of the goal. **Max** created a formidable partnership with **Jack**.

Jesse Mauger (Year 10) - the team's funny man and the player responsible for stopping the ball on the last line of defense. **Jesse** worried attacking players with his pressure and quick reflexes. Nothing much got past him.



Josh Ditton (Year 10) - **Josh** showed his versatility by playing many positions throughout the CHS knockout. From right half to left wing, he was all over the field.

Thibalt Vereecken (Year 9) - our international hockey player. **Thibault** is an exchange student from Belgium who mentioned that he played hockey. We gave him a run and we were impressed by his skill and reliability. He loved playing in the team and enjoyed the experience. It was a great way for him to see more of Australia.

Ben Bromfield (Year 9) - **Ben** is an up and coming young player who will be looked at to keep Moss Vale High's proud hockey tradition to continue into the future. He played very well at the back with some great tackling.

Beau Hanrahan (Year 8) - **Beau** is following in his big brother's footsteps. He has excellent ball control and skill and worried players much bigger and stronger than him. He ran all day and placed pressure on the opposition's defence.

Will Simpson (Year 7) - Being the youngster of the group, **Will** didn't get much game time in the top 8 although he was always there supporting his team mates. He had a great attitude and certainly learnt much being in such a brilliant team.



*Matt Nash
Coach*



“The Beginning of the End”

By Dylan Harkin

English Extension 1

It was the worst of times; it was the beginning of the end. It had seemed like a good idea, certainly. “What could possibly go wrong with having a gathering for all the great crime writers? What could happen?” They asked.

They all entered the courtroom in single file, each of them glancing out the window at the prevailing storm that raged outside. The grey clouds hung over the city and the rain was violently thrown against the window. The foul stench that reminded them of death was throughout the box. It all reminded them of something they would write in their novels.

Each of them took a seat and it was just then that a young man who looked like a matchstick entered. His shaved red hair and tall, white body crawled into the room, as he tried to slip in unnoticed. Suddenly the judge, wearing black robes, barked at him.

“And you are?!”

“Uh, Kerrod Falk. Junior reporter - *The Evening Post*.”

The judge did not say any more to the boy and the session began.

“I shall call to the stage one Agatha Christie.”

A little old lady, too busy eavesdropping on a mumbled conversation between Edgar Allen Poe and Arthur Conan Doyle behind her to notice she had been summoned, rose after the judge repeated his sentence.

“Would you please tell the court what happened at Filey Manor on the 22nd August, 2012.”

“Well, I arrived at the manor after having received an anonymous invite the week earlier.

I was immediately impressed by the selection of scones and tea—“

The judge interrupted her, “To more pressing matters, Miss Christie.”

“Oh, well... At around two pm we discovered the body of one of the housemaids in the lake.”

“And who is ‘we,’ Miss Christie?”

“Well, I and all the other writers you see before you in this court.”

“So you were all invited anonymously?”

“I do believe.”

“And what happened when the body was discovered?”

“Well, I screamed, ‘My goodness,’ and then everyone came running over... That Swedish writer a bit later than everyone else. If you want my opinion it was probably he who knocked him off; either him or that American fellow. In my experience, it usually is the foreigner.”

Kerrod leaned forward to the bulky man with hair as black as night who smoked a pipe and asked, “How can Stieg Larsson and Agatha Christie possibly attend the same gathering?”

He replied:

“Don’t get too caught up on things making sense, kid. I don’t.”

It was at this moment that the man was called to the witness box:

“Raymond Chandler.”

“Okay, what do you recollect of the day, sir?”

“Well,” he said, refilling his pipe, “I got a confession to make... Something to confess. I actually seen the maid walking through the garden near the lake.”

“And how could you have seen that?”

“Well, I was feeling uneasy... It’s the first time I’ve ever left LA before. I felt like I had a knot tied with boating rope in my stomach. So, let me set the scene... It was day, but the world’s so dark it always feels like night to me. So, anyhow I walked into the kitchen to pour a stiff one and there she was.”

“The maid?”

“No, I think it was the guy who owned the place’s wife. In her red dress she looked like a single broad stroke of crimson paint in the blank canvas that was the room. Anyhow, the smoke was rising to the ceiling past the fan that creaked—“

“Wasn’t this an estate?”

“This is how my eyes saw it. I’m not sure how yours would have. Anyway, the smoke was rising, the

fan, creaking, and I saw the maid through the window.”

“At what time was this?”

“I didn’t have a watch, but I’ve got a strong hunch that it was about five to two.”

“Okay. Thank you. You may step down.”

“You keep up that wit; I’ll ‘step down’ on your head.”

Next called was Arthur Conan Doyle, though he didn’t have much to add because no conveniently placed clues were left at the manor.

Larsson described the gory way in which he presumed the murder would have taken place.

P.D. James bored the courtroom with a religious explanation of the moral consequences of murder.

And Alfred Hitchcock explained in specific detail what camera angles he would use if he was adapting the incident into a film as well as where his signature cameo would be placed.

Before long, an argument erupted between Christie and Chandler. The young reporter marvelled at the scene that played out before him.

The volume of Chandler’s voice was beginning to rise...

“How can you write about murder and treat it as if the only way it occurs is through non-violent manners?”

“That would horrify my readers! We can’t all write for blood-hungry psychopathic down-trodden lower-class filth like you, Mr Chandler!”

“The art of murder is simple and you still manage to screw it up!”

“Well, if you perhaps shaved more often and didn’t smell like a brewery you would, perhaps, have greater respect for women and my writing style.”

The judge called for “Order in the court.”

Wilkie Collins joined the argument; “You’re both wrong. The only way to write good mysteries is to have them run as long as epics... This way you tell a good story *and* sell newspapers!”

Arthur Conan Doyle stuck his bushy moustache in; “The focus should always be science and an intriguing, eccentric detective!”

“Order in the court,” said the judge again.

Hitchcock stood and yelled, “As long as the audience is entertained nothing else matters! Sell the popcorn and soda.”

The judge’s voice was like fire, “Order in the *goddamn* court!”

A silence fell over the room and Miss Christie fainted as if shot dead by the blasphemous language.

“Stop arguing! We’re here to solve a real murder, not discuss the best way to present a fictional one, for Christ’s sake.”

Having just got back to her feet, Agatha Christie fainted again.

It was at this point that Kerrod, looking out at the ominous sea of crowds, made a suggestion that broke the lingering silence; “Maybe she tripped?”

The legion of crime writers broke into hysterical laughing fits, even the supposedly-unconscious old lady.

“I’m only saying that it’s possible that the death wasn’t the result of murder.”

Confused, Chandler asked, “Manslaughter? Unintentional O.D.? What?”

“This isn’t fiction. Not every death that may look like a murder *is* a murder. And even then, murders don’t always get solved. I don’t know who sent you those invites but...”

“Collins spoke up, “Well, I actually believe it was a wealthy literary critic. The name of the sender wasn’t printed properly on all the envelopes...”

“So, there *wasn’t* a murder?” asked Hitchcock. “How unsatisfying.”

Crime fiction was never the same from that day on. The energy wasn’t present in the texts, nor the satisfying dénouement scenes. For the writers, that was the beginning of the end.

The smell of beer drifted through the bar. Kerrod sat with two friends.

“So then what happened?” asked one of them.

“Then, I woke up.”

“You need to stop studying English before you go to bed.”

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Moss Vale High School 1963 – 2013: HAPPY 50TH BIRTHDAY

Foundation Day: Tuesday, September 10, 2013 is our Golden Anniversary



This day commemorates the first school day held in the new buildings in Narellan Rd September 10, 1963. Previous high school students attended for a brief time Moss Vale Central School (with many venues around town).

As part of the 50th Anniversary celebrations, this is a memorable day for students and staff. The community will join us for the more

*extensive festivities planned for our Open Days October 25-27. Because we started in 1963, **September 10 was a Mufti Day** with students and staff encouraged to wear **clothes of the Sixties** – think hippies, moon landings, Beatles suits, Vietnam War, peace marches, flower power*

***Roll Call:** A Gold coin was collected from those in Mufti... to go towards PBS & Anniversary funds. Each student and staff member received a souvenir wristband of the day.*

***At Recess:** Staff & 50 Golden Ticket winners were invited to the Library for a Recipe Tasting with samples from the new "MVHS Recipe Book"; written by celebrities, staff, students, ex staff and local identities launched and available for sale that day. This was co-ordinated by B. McAndrew & M. Williams.*

*During Period 4 there was a Formal Assembly in Hall. Presentations were made from community to school; performances by choir & band under **T. Bilbija**. Prizes and presentations. Each student got a free milk as they left for lunch, as did students in the Sixties (flavoured milks for 2013! sponsored by Dairy Farmers, thanks to Mrs Nancy Hayes). SASS staff, Mayor, Press, Anniversary C'tee & other VIPs were invited.*

***Lunch 2:** Nutri Grain eating competition in the Merchant Courtyard supervised by B. McAndrew & M. Carlyon*

***Mrs Kirby & Canteen** was serving Sixties food this day & all week eg. Chiko Rolls, Cream buns*

***PDHPE Faculty & staff** "Sixties Sports" rotating groups with **Year 10** PE classes trying out historic games eg. Vigarò, Elastics, Hopscotch, Captain & Tunnel ball.. .*

Best wishes to all on our Golden Anniversary!!!!

Cameron MacLean: Throughout today I experienced many great and exciting things. The celebration started at 11am where we had morning tea with all the teachers and Golden Ticket recipients. There was lots of great homemade food. We had some delicious warm food but also some yummy savouries too.

After morning tea we all headed down to the hall after the sounding of the 60's bell.

At the assembly we had many great performances. It was great when students showed off the old uniforms which I'm sure many people had not seen before. After watching that we had the raffle draw where some lucky people won some fantastic prizes. We had singers singing the National Anthem with pride. The boys' hip hop crew did their dance which was really cool and the coloured lights made it look even better.

After the assembly had finished, like back in the 60's, everyone in the school was given a free milk. It was a great way to celebrate the great education that has been here for 50 years now.

During the break of lunch we had the Nutri Grain Challenge where we watched a student from each year and four teachers compete and eat a box of Nutri Grain as fast as possible. It was a great crowd and it was great to watch all of the contestants try to eat it with all of the milk running down their chins.



Jacob Palmer-Quigg:

On the day 10th of September
 We experienced a day to remember!
 There was a list of things that had to be done
 And most of the day was surprisingly fun.
 The whole school went down to the hall,
 Everyone there had such a ball.
 At lunch time the Nutri Grain Challenge started,
 Lucky Mr Barros didn't get startled!
 There were lucky prizes throughout the day,
 I'm so glad I came to the 50th birthday!

Nutri Grain eating competition winners - Sam Bromfield, Year 12, and Mr Barros



I think the 60's would have been fun. Everyone was dressed up perfectly and my favourite part of the day was the teachers getting announced for being best dressed. During the assembly there were special guests who came and there were old school uniforms and a special slide show. Afterwards there was free milk for all of the kids outside the hall. I'm so glad I came to the 50th birthday celebration today!

Erin Olesen: Today on the 10/09/2013 nearly the whole school dressed up in 1960's clothes. I dressed up as a hippy with pink shorts, a yellow top with a picture of a sun on it, an Aztec cardigan and a hippy headband with flowers on it.

Over the past 2-3 weeks the 'Oompa Loompas' hid 50 golden tickets around the school for students to find. My best friend Amber had luckily found one and had chosen me as her guest to the morning tea/feast. At recess Amber and I walked to the library, we handed in our ticket and entered the library for the morning tea. There were four large tables with sweets, cakes, slices and a lot of other yummy food! Amber and I grabbed a plate and I got a coconut ice slice, chicko roll and a curried egg. We sat down in the back corner and ate our yummy food. After we had eaten we just relaxed and talked. We made a little area around us with some of the boards so that it was just our area. We then talked to Cameron, Will, Jacob and Mason.

Amber and I stayed in the library for third period as well to help pack up (thank goodness because I had History!). Everyone left the library except Amber, three Year 8 boys and me.

The 60's bell rang at the end of period three and we headed off to the hall for the assembly. Amber and I raced down because we wanted to get good seats. I sat next to Cameron and Amber in the assembly. It was funny to see all the teachers in their costumes. It was a fun and enjoyable day!



The Beatles revived !!



Back to the '60's for the teachers



Flower Power People



Former Principal, James McAlpine with Mayor, Juliette Arkwright

Uniforms of the Past



Photos on this page courtesy Nick Bielby, SHN

.... and the future!!

Megan Mulcahy: The 10th of September 2013, or in other words, today, was the 50th Anniversary of Moss Vale High School. We were allowed to come to school dressed in sixties clothes because Moss Vale High School was opened in the sixties! You could come as a hippy, astronaut, sixties rock band member, Vietnam soldier, Elvis, Forrest Gump and many more sixties themes.

It was a huge success and even the teachers got into the sixties spirit! I really enjoyed seeing the amazing costumes that all of the students and teachers were wearing. One of my favourites was Mr Deitz who came as a hippy. No one recognised him because of his wig and beard. I loved his costume. I also thought that Mr Paviour was dressed really well too. He was also a hippy.

In second period, Mrs Holmes and a couple of students went round to the classes judging the costumes. I was chosen as one! I was excited but I knew I didn't have a chance compared to some of the amazing costumes people were wearing.

In fourth period we had an assembly which was the celebration for the anniversary. There were the announcements of the winners of best dressed. Mr Deitz was a winner from the teachers' group.

Anyway, we had a really amazing day and I am looking forward to the next mufti day! Can't wait!



Izabella Fletcher (Mufti Day): Today is the anniversary of the opening of Moss Vale High School 50 years ago (1963 September 10). Our school celebrated by having a mufti day where we could choose to wear and afro, dress as a hippy, dress as Elvis or wear flower power or anything from the sixties. I came as a hippy and so did many of my friends. It was fun to dress up and see what other people were wearing. I was wearing a brown longish skirt with a cream lace top and white cardigan with really long flowy sleeves and long blue peace necklace with lots of bracelets. I didn't forget to wear a headband in the fashionable way that all hippies do.

My favourite part about the whole day was looking at what everyone else was wearing and how much fun they were having. Mr Parro came as a school boy from the sixties and he even shaved of his beard! I really liked what Mr Deitz was wearing I had no idea that it was him under his long beard.

My friends also looked really snazzy, like Amber who was wearing overalls and Erin who had hippy sign shirt and her hair all frizzy. I loved today and would be glad to do it again.



The canteen ladies supported the celebration, as did the teachers

Some previous Home Economics uniforms



Members of the 50th Anniversary committee

Jemima Moule: Today was Moss Vale High School's 50th Birthday and the theme was "The 60's", so students had an opportunity to dress up from the 60's. I came as a hippy with shorts and a cardigan; I also had a yellow headband on my head that was meant to look like a hippy headband. When I got to school I saw all of my friends in their hippy costumes and they all made me laugh. At the start of recess, people who had found a golden ticket received an invitation to a feast in the Library and they also got to take one friend with them which was pretty cool. I didn't go to the feast because I hadn't found a golden ticket and no one had asked me to go with them so that was a big disappointment.

After recess we went to history which was pretty boring but we then had an assembly to celebrate the schools 50th birthday. I was in the choir which meant I had to go onto the stage and sing the national anthem in front of everybody but thankfully I was with the rest of the choir, or I would probably have passed out. So after I was done singing I sat down and watched the rest of the assembly which was kind of cool. They showed all the previous uniforms and what they think the uniform will look like in about ten years so it was interesting to see what people thought the uniform would look like in the future. A hip-hop crew then performed and they did an amazing job so a big congratulations to them.

After that we were told that there was free milk outside but I didn't know if they meant that the milk was only for special people like the Principal and the captains. When I walked out I saw the milk and people staring to line up and that's when I lined up and got strawberry milk.

MATHS TEXTBOOK AMNESTY

The Maths Faculty is seriously short of textbooks in each year group. Considering the cost of each book (from \$80 up) and the fact that we once had more than enough for every class we seem to have misplaced some along the way.

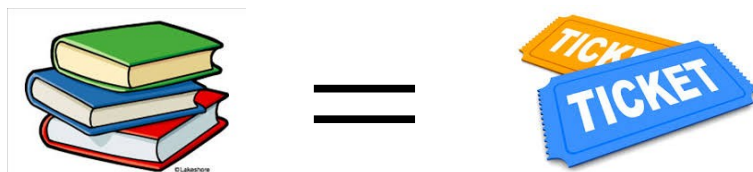
Over the next few months we will be holding a Textbook Amnesty. This means that any student who searches their home (or asks siblings/friends who may have left the school to search around) and finds mathematics textbooks from previous years or duplicates of textbooks they are currently using in the classroom can return them to the Maths Staffroom without penalty.

We are offering a reward of multiple PBS raffle tickets for any student who returns unused textbooks. This act is considered responsible behaviour under the PBS system.

Please Note: Students who try to return textbooks that they find in a current maths classroom will not be eligible for tickets as this is not the purpose of the amnesty. The Maths Staff have a record of each of these textbooks that they will cross check if they think this has happened.

We look forward to the results of this amnesty.

START SEARCHING !



**“Raising Real People -
Creating a Resilient Family”**
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of living with teenagers.



Topics include:

- The resilient Child
- The resilient parent
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- Things that don't work!!
- Where has my sense of humour gone?
- When to call in the cavalry
- Young people living with consequences – don't rescue!!
- Are you a helicopter parent?
- Mental health
- The Digital age
- Sex Drugs and Rock and Roll



Where:
Highlands Youth Hub
Loseby Park, Bowral

When:
Every Tuesday for six weeks from
15th October 2013, 7 – 9pm
\$20/session
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To book call: 4862 1122



Hill Top Community Centre

- * When: Tuesday 1st October
- * Time: 9.30am - 1.00pm
- * Where: Hill Top Community Centre
- * Teacher: Professional Photographer
- * There will be two groups junior & senior High School
- * Any camera including phone

**Only 20 places
Bookings essential**

FREE Photography Workshop
for
High School Students



Bookings must be in writing
with NAME & contact phone number
to
vicki.hannan@wsc.nsw.gov.au

Enquiries ring:
Hill Top Community Centre
ph: 48898998 m: 0427122115

ROBERTSON BURRAWANG CRICKET CLUB

Junior registrations will be taken on Saturday September 21 at the Hampden Park Cricket nets at Robertson from 10am – Middyay. Registrations will be taken for U10s, U12s, U14s and U16s age groups. Matches are played on Saturday mornings and the season commences on October 19th. Registration is just \$80 and equipment is provided. New and returning players, both Boys and Girls (any age) are welcome to play cricket with us!

Registrations also for the Milo In2Cricket program (for 5-8 year olds) on the day. This program starts in November and will be held after school hours at Hampden Park, Robertson. Cost for this program is \$65.

For any more info on cricket for the upcoming summer please contact Aaron on 0421 452 167.



Fitness and fun for the family!
BBT Bike Ride 2013
Sunday 22 September, 10.00am

Come along and join in the free BBT Bike Ride 2013

The ride is a 9km return course along the beautiful Bong Bong Track, the Southern Highlands shared pedestrian/cycle path


McGee's Cycling will be on hand to advise about correct helmet fit and cycle safety

Free entry, water bottles, face painting, fresh fruit and water
 Treasure hunt for the kids
 Prizes for best dressed. This years theme, Clown Capers

For a registration form and more details on this event please contact
 Wingecarribee Shire Council
 Road Safety Officer 48 68 0809
 Visit www.wsc.nsw.gov.au

HSC Night Shift
 For YEAR 12 STUDENTS

BOWRAL LIBRARY
TUESDAY
8th October 2013
6.30-10PM



Get ready for the HSC with a lock-in at Bowral Library!

Come with a group of friends or on your own. We'll provide the study space, and refreshments. Bring along \$5 for pizza.

FREE
 Limited spots! Book online @ www.bowralhsclockin.eventbrite.com.au

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 Bowral
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Reminder

Term 4 commences Tuesday, 8 October 2013 for all students and staff

Year 12 2013 Information

The school community would like to wish all of our Year 12 students all the very best as they come to the end of their formal education at Moss Vale High School. We wish each of these fine young people every success in their HSC examinations and in the years ahead. May they finish their time here in a positive, safe and respectful manner.

Dates and notes to place in your diaries :

Term 3 (Week 10)

Thursday September 19: Graduation Ceremony. Details are as follows :

9.15am – All Year 12 students are to be in attendance outside school hall

10.00am – Parents and guests to be seated in Hall

10.15am - Entry of Year 12, 2013 Graduates

N.B. **Full school uniform** is to be worn by all students

Ceremony will take approximately 1 1/2 hours. At the conclusion of the

ceremony, all family members and their guests are invited to attend morning tea

Friday September 20 : Luna Park Excursion

Term 4

Monday October 14: First Year 12 HSC Exam

N.B: All fees must be paid. Deposit for formal paid by September 6. Refer to your letter, given out to all Year 12 students Friday August 16.

Thursday November 14: Year 12 Formal, Southern Highland Winery, Oldbury Road Sutton Forest. Refer to your letter, as above. Further details to follow.

Year 12 End of Year Activities

A bulletin released by the DET states that, "Most students behave responsibly and in a manner that brings credit to themselves and their school. However, students should be reminded that antisocial activities are not appropriate at any time or in any place, and that they should not expect to be exempted from the law on the basis of their status as students.

I seek your assistance in ensuring that Year 12 students clearly understand their responsibilities when engaging in end of year activities and that any such activities should be designed to bring credit to themselves, their peers and their school, and provide an opportunity for the school community to wish them well".

Mrs Finlayson YEAR ADVISER YEAR 12

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A unique opportunity to celebrate your girl's journey into womanhood



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4 - 6 October

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Interested in work at a coffee shop or bistro?

TAFE at Moss Vale is running a short course that will cover all the skills needed as well as give you practical experience in our **café on campus**.



When: 10 October 2013 to 29 November 2013 (8 weeks)
Attendance will be Thursday/Friday from 9.00 am til 2.30 pm each day (school hours).

Where: Moss Vale TAFE Campus

Cost: \$253 per person plus \$35 materials charge – this includes all your class notes and photocopying.

What will you get?

The course will cover five (5) units of competency and count towards a Certificate II or III:

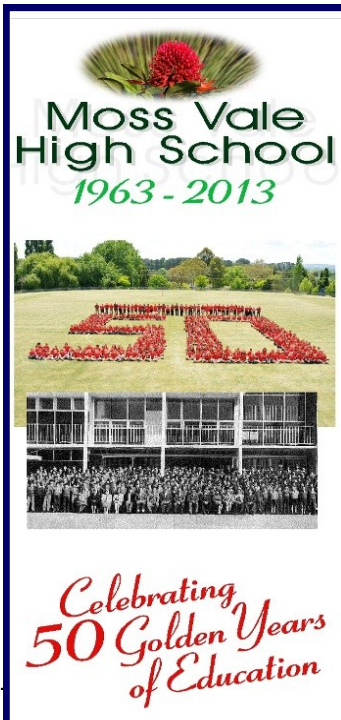
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- Espresso Coffee
- Sandwiches
- Use of computerised cash register (POS)
- Customer Service

Register your interest online @ www.illawarra.tafensw.edu.au (course number 11565)

or
Call Lois Green for more information on 02 4868 0157.

TO :	<u>MOSS VALE HIGH</u>	<u>NOTE OF ABSENCE</u>
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 (<i>this reason must be specific, not just "he/she was sick"</i>) : _____ _____		
Parent Name : _____		
Parent Signature : _____		Date sent : _____

CHANGE OF ADDRESS / CONTACT DETAILS													
NAME : Roll Class : Year : NEW ADDRESS : PO BOX New Phone No's : Home : Work (M) : Mobile (M) : Work (F) : Mobile (F) : Email : DATE YOU CHANGED ADDRESS : PARENTS / GUARDIANS NAMES YOU ARE LIVING WITH : Do you currently have a bus pass?	<table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr><th colspan="2" style="background-color: #d3d3d3;">OFFICE USE ONLY</th></tr> <tr><th colspan="2" style="background-color: #d3d3d3;">CHANGED ON</th></tr> <tr><td style="background-color: #d3d3d3;">ERN</td><td style="width: 20px;"></td></tr> <tr><td style="background-color: #d3d3d3;">EMERGENCY CARD REPRINTED</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td style="background-color: #d3d3d3;">BUS Co NOTIFIED</td><td></td></tr> <tr><td style="background-color: #d3d3d3;">RECEIVED NEW BUS FORM</td><td></td></tr> </table>	OFFICE USE ONLY		CHANGED ON		ERN		EMERGENCY CARD REPRINTED		BUS Co NOTIFIED		RECEIVED NEW BUS FORM	
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Our school is celebrating 50 Golden Years of Education at Moss Vale High School, at the same time Moss Vale town celebrates 150 years! We invite you to be part of our festivities:

- **Friday, 25 October 2013 Open Day** at Moss Vale High School. Historic displays & tours of the school with present students. Catering will be available.
Evening : CD Launch/CAPA Concert in school Hall at 6.30pm. Tickets at door.
- **Saturday, 26 October 2013 Open Day** continues. Saturday evening: Moss Vale Services Club hosts **Reunion Dinner**. Limited tickets available and bookings essential. Contact the school.
- **Sunday, 27 October 2013 Morning Church Service** in the school Hall & **Football Game** including ex students, and present students on the school Oval. Notable NRL players who were ex students are kindly revisiting their old school.

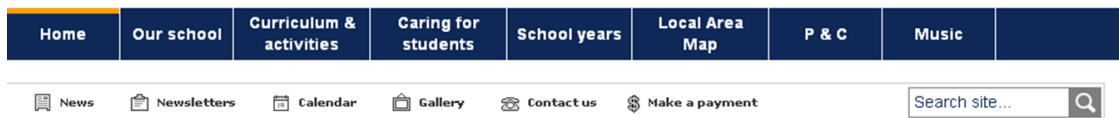
All members of our school community, past and present, are welcome to join us at any of these events. Further details available from the school contacts listed, & our website mossvale-h.schools.nsw.edu.au

Parent Online Payments

Commencing 29 July 2013

What is QuickWeb?

- ▶ Secure online payment facility hosted by Westpac
- ▶ Accessed from the home page of the school's website
- ▶ \$Make a payment "button"



Visa or Mastercard credit or debit cards only accepted

Timing

- ▶ The payment must be made before 6pm for the school to receive the funds the next day. i.e. pay before 6pm on Monday, the school will have the funds on Tuesday morning.
- ▶ If the payment is after 6pm then there will be a delay of a day in the school receiving the funds i.e. pay after 6pm on Monday, the school will have the funds on Wednesday morning.

Entering payment details

- ▶ Student's name, class or year, date of birth
- ▶ Payer's name, contact phone & email
- ▶ Select what you want to pay for by checking relevant box
- ▶ Payment description must be accurate
- ▶ Payment amount must be completed
- ▶ Asterix * indicates a mandatory field

Payment description

- ▶ Voluntary Schools Contributions – enter voluntary contribution
- ▶ Subject Contributions – enter particular subject eg Maths
- ▶ Excursion – enter excursion number (from excursion note) or name of excursion eg Opera House
- ▶ Sport – enter number from permission note or name of particular sport eg Softball
- ▶ Creative and Performing Arts— enter particulars eg Dance, Drama
- ▶ Sales to Students – enter item you are purchasing eg calculator, Waratah magazine
- ▶ Other – eg P & C membership, Yr 12 formal or can be used to pay whole amount eg Fees 2013

Note: Permission notes still need to be completed and sent to school

Online payment receipt

- ▶ Print and/or Email – you can change the prefilled email address if you wish
- ▶ Note the receipt number for your reference, and write this on any permission notes you are sending back to school.
- ▶ You do not need to send a copy of your receipt to the school

More than one student to pay for?



Make Another Payment

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Separate payments need to be made for each student to ensure correct identification of student