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Cows Create Careers



The team 'Milkingairs' were awarded second place in the South East Region for their model of a suitable shed for calf rearing, their business letter to Dairy Australia and their movie clip description of calf rearing.

The 'Milkingairs' were the winning team out of eleven teams at Moss Vale High School, and second out of over 150 teams across the region.

Pictured with their award are Emily King, Katelyn and Emily Hall and Cody Tozer.

Principal's Report

Senior Students

Welcome back to Term 4 and it has already started out as a very busy and productive time for our school community. The HSC exams are well underway and students have commented that they have been quite happy with the exam papers. I look forward to catching up with our Year 12 students at their formal on November 10.

I have been impressed with our Year 11 students who have started their HSC courses this term in a conscientious manner. There have been a number of students who have carefully considered their current courses and have elected to drop a subject for the HSC. I would like to thank Mr Vandenberg, Mr Warwick and Mrs Norris for taking a substantial amount of time to counsel and advise students with their decision making.

Cameron Clarson

Congratulations to Cameron Clarson of Year 10 who was awarded a \$500 gift voucher for winning the Ingham Institute 'Pathways to Success' Science Poster competition. Cameron won this prestigious award and had the amazing opportunity to present his work in front of Australia's top scientists and medical researchers at the South Western Sydney Annual Research Showcase. The competition was part of celebrating National Science Week and Cameron demonstrated his outstanding skills and knowledge in the field of Science. We are very proud of Cameron and this impressive achievement.



Mobile phones at school

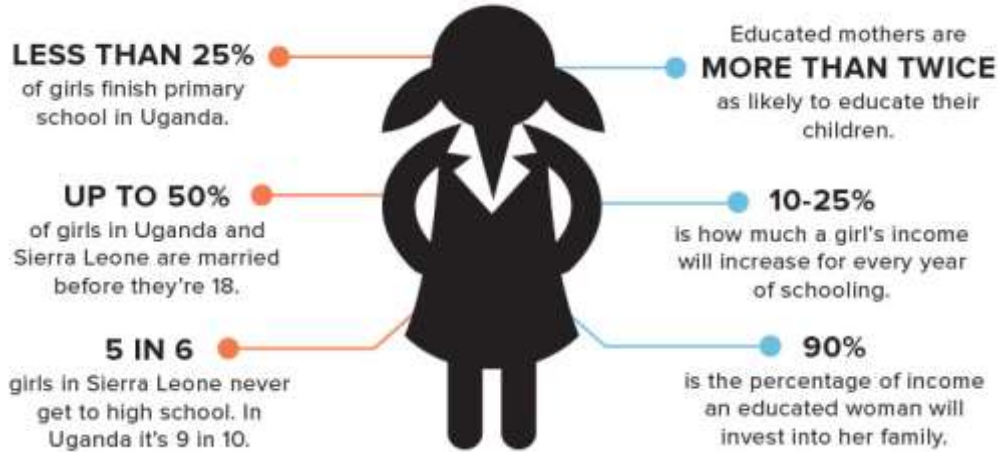
It is not a given right that students can use their mobile phones at school, it is a privilege at Moss Vale High School. In fact, there are many schools, both public and private that have a blanket ban on the use of mobile phones during school hours. Mr O'Brien and I have been dealing with a growing number of students who have used their phones during class time and for highly inappropriate purposes. I respectfully request that parents remind their child that phones are to be 'off and away' during class time, and that they are not to be used for sending offensive or inappropriate messages and images. Once a student breaches the school's agreement regarding mobile phones at school, then they forfeit the privilege of being able to use their phone at school at any time throughout the day.

Positive Behaviour for Success (PBS)

The PBS team is leading the school community in our current focus on social justice issues relating to gender inequality and violence against females. Firstly, we are involved in raising awareness of the serious issue of domestic violence within our own country where at least one woman dies each week at the hands of a partner or ex-partner. We want our students to not only be aware of this significant social problem, but we want our boys and girls to understand what constitutes positive and respectful relationships.

Secondly, we are re-visiting our highly successful fundraiser from 2015, the 'Do It in a Dress' day. This initiative is all about raising funds to educate girls in developing countries who would otherwise fail to receive an education and are often married off during childhood. On Friday, October 28, our school community will hold a multi-day where staff and students will wear a school dress symbolically for the 60 million girls, or more, who are unable to wear a dress and attend school.

EDUCATION CAN CHANGE EVERYTHING



Staffing

As many of you would know, Mrs Jenny Wells retired at the end of last term and had been an invaluable member of the PDHPE faculty since 2003. We now have Ms Jessica Bromfield stepping in for the term in Mrs Wells' role. Jessica is an ex-student and successfully completed her final teaching practicum at our school last term. We are thrilled to have Jessica teaching here and wish her well for the term. We will also be advertising a vacant position in the TAS faculty that originally was filled by Mrs Pepping who has been our wonderful Learning and Support teacher for the past three years. Finally, we have a merit selection panel running for the new Head Teacher of PDHPE after Mr Carlyon successfully gained the Deputy Principal position through merit selection, starting in 2017.

Patricia Holmes
Principal

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Acting Deputy Principal's Report

“Successful education is a positive partnership between the students, parents and the school”

Last term I raised concerns relating to the use of mobile phones within the school. Unfortunately, we are still having to deal with ongoing issues involving students and parents. I must reinforce that mobile phones are not a “right” at school, and there are clear Department of Education and school guidelines that have to be followed.

*We continue to have students contacting parents and parents contacting students during school times about issues that legally should go through the front office and/or Deputy.

*Students using mobile phones inappropriately in class which is genuinely impacting on their learning.

*Students who refuse to follow the “Bring your own Device” agreement and argue with teachers when asked to “hand over their phone” which may result in a suspension for continued disobedience or a long suspension if they continue with refusal to follow the Deputy or Principal’s reasonable request.

We will be discussing the issue of Mobile Phones at Moss Vale High School with staff next week and raise our concerns with the P&C . One outcome may be that MOBILE PHONES ARE BANNED AT MOSS VALE HIGH SCHOOL in 2017.

An additional concern is that of social media, in particular students and parents being unaware of the legal consequences of inappropriate transmissions.

Note, distributing pornography, violent acts or recording of persons without their permission or knowledge can lead to state and federal charges. As a school we have recommended legal action be taken against individuals. In schools, these criminal acts are dealt with under the Department of Education’s Policy “Suspension and Expulsion of school Students Procedures” and in criminal actions this is a Long Suspension and potential police involvement.

In these areas we appeal for student and parent support to minimise the incidences of issues relating to mobile phones and social media.

Finally, we are now having many students in the senior years who are able to drive. This is a very exciting time for young people, however they must understand that they have significant responsibilities both when driving cars on the road and who they have travelling in cars.

The DoE makes it clear that students who drive to and from school can only transport siblings (or have genuine supported reasons to transport others on an irregular basis). As a school we have had to deal with the consequences of students who were involved in an accident without permission to be in the car! The right to drive to school may be removed or other consequences may be the outcome if a driver does not follow the expectations.

Mr C O'Brien
Acting Deputy Principal



I'M GOING TO DO IT IN A DRESS TO EDUCATE GIRLS

Over 60 million girls around the world aren't in school. Simply because they were born a girl. But I'm doing something to help change that. I'm doing a challenge in a school dress and raising money to educate girls in Africa. You can support me by donating to my campaign, or even better, joining my team!

Donate to educate girls at:

www.doitinadress.com/moss-vale-high-school

Join us at doitinadress.com

ANOTHER ONE GIRL INITIATIVE

Share the Dignity

Share the Dignity is a non-profit charity that provides assistance to women who may be homeless, escaping domestic violence, disadvantaged or at risk.

One of their aims is to provide sanitary products to organisations to help alleviate the cost to individuals. All products are donated to the charity from the local community.

Moss Vale High School is now a recipient of 'Share the Dignity' enabling us to assist girls in our school community by ensuring they have access to necessary feminine hygiene products.

The "It's in the Bag" Christmas campaign is another initiative of 'Share the Dignity'.

The campaign asks the community to donate a handbag filled with items such as soaps, shampoos, toothpaste, deodorant and the like. The handbags can then be delivered to charities that take care of women in need over the Christmas period.



Gloria Rozario from 'Share the Dignity' delivers a supply of products to Moss Vale High School.

*Sharlene Killian
Wellbeing Co-ordinator/Girls Adviser*

Year 9 PDHPE

Recently our 9D PDHPE class has been studying forms and examples of prejudice, discrimination, harassment, vilification and ways to affirm difference and diversity. Class 9D was given the choice of five different tasks that show an understanding of what discrimination means, below is some of the work they produced.

Mitchell Pickup
Year 9

DISCRIMINATION TASK

As part of a task set to my class in PE, I chose to create and perform a monologue which demonstrated ways to affirm difference and diversity and encourage inclusion for all I wrote my monologue so it focussed on 'labels'; something I have noticed is very common in the world. I tried to write it in a way so it connects with the audience and makes them question themselves and their actions.

Labels

NOAH: [Sits at table with a labelling machine on it.] Let me ask you a question. What do you and this machine have in common? Any idea? The answer is simple: they both label things when they get the chance. We all know it shouldn't be the case, but at the same time, we all know it is. Subconsciously, we, as a society, label people without giving it a second thought. Everywhere we go, we can't help ourselves from thinking "she's black, he's white, she's fat, he's gay". It's true, isn't it? We feel the need to give other people a label. But why? Why do our minds always categorise people whenever they get the chance? Think about it. Give up? It's because we're taught to.

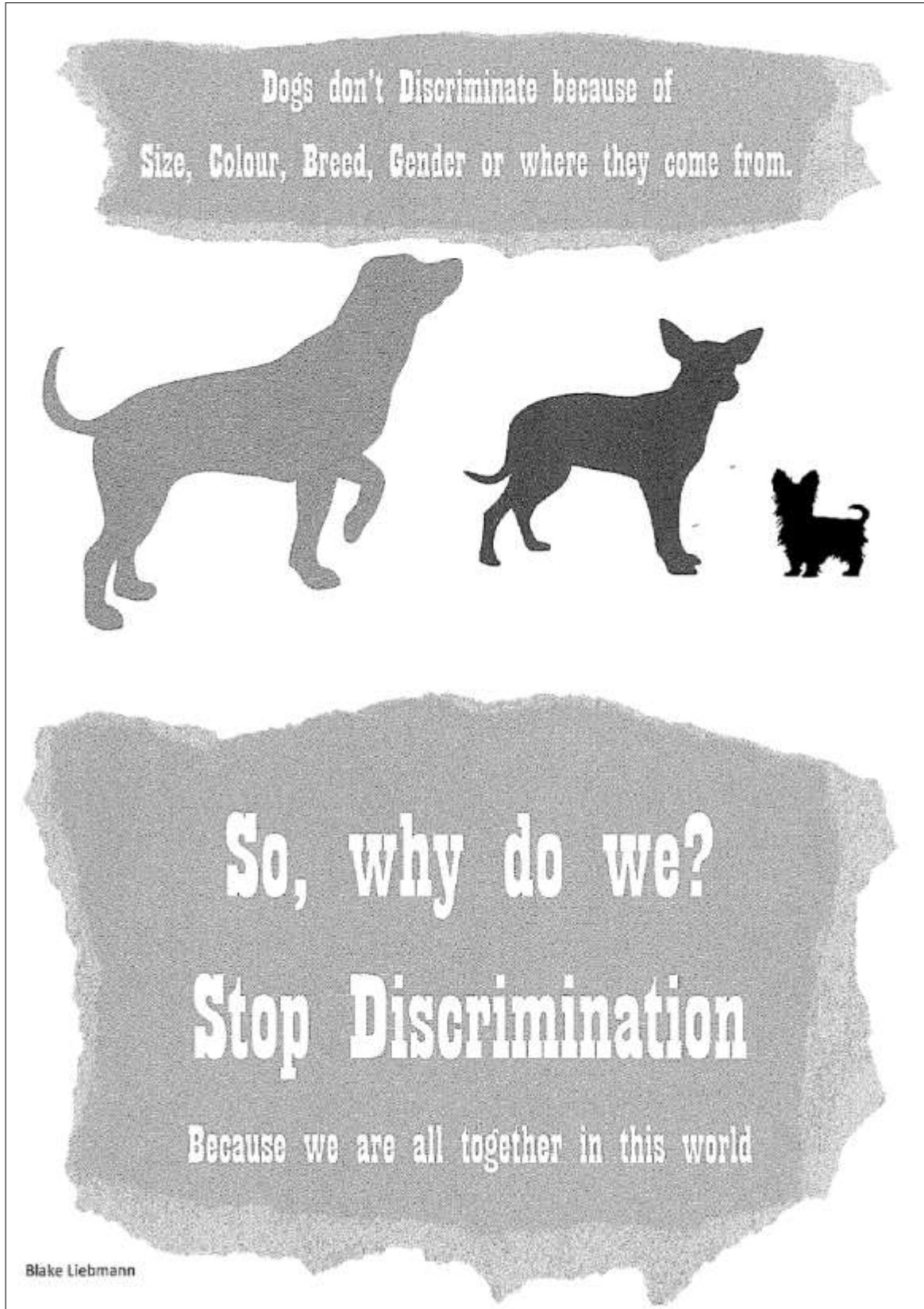
From a very young age, society makes sure that we know that people can't just be people; they need to be categorised. Don't believe me? Look at a newborn child. Newborn children don't put people into categories, they just acknowledge that people are people and differences don't matter. Now, the reason I'm saying this is to affirm difference and diversity, but I shouldn't have to be saying it at all. If society didn't tell us to categorise people, I wouldn't be sitting here, delivering this message, because none of us would know what the term 'label' means, let alone do it. I'd even go as far as to say that the term diversity wouldn't exist, because we wouldn't know anything different. We would only know that everyone's human. But the truth is, we know only the exact opposite. We only know to label people. Just try to walk down the street without labelling someone. Because no matter how hard you try, there's a very small chance you'll be able to do it.

And you might think that labels are not that big an issue, but if someone doesn't like a label that someone's given, the person is most likely to be discriminated against. And that's not a good thing. One in five people living in Australia has been a target of verbal racial abuse.

While women comprise roughly 46 per cent of all employees in Australia, they take home on average \$283.20 less than men each week. Gay lesbian, bisexual and transgender people are three times more likely to experience depression compared to the broader population. These statements are all factual. These statements all stem from labels. And, frankly, it sucks. There's no other way to put it. The world we live in can really suck. But it doesn't have to. Think about it. While all of us in this room have huge differences between us, we all share one common link.

[NOAH types the word 'human' into the labelling machine.] Human. We're all human, and that's really the only thing that matters. [Turns off labelling machine.] No more labels. We all need to accept each other as one thing and one thing only. Human. [NOAH puts 'human' label on his forehead.] Thank you.

By Travis Neale, 9D PDHPE



Message from School Administrative Manager

Moss Vale High School Year Book The Waratah

If you haven't already prepaid for this year's Waratah magazine, there is still time.

To order a copy please pay \$30.00 to the school by Friday 11 November 2016. Payments may be made by:

- Parent Online Payment via the School website
<http://www.mossvale-h.schools.nsw.edu.au>
- credit card in person or by telephone
- cash or cheque.

If you are unsure whether or not you have already paid this with your fees earlier in the year, just contact the friendly staff in the front office who can look this up for you.



Maureen Sinclair
School Administrative Manager

Thank you from St Jude's

Dear All at Moss Vale High School,



I am Nasira, I am 13 years old and I am in Standard seven here at St Jude's.

Thank you for your kind donation of \$700 to our school. Your donation will help to buy us all the important learning resources.

We love to have classrooms and libraries full of the resources we need because they make learning fun!

Thank you for supporting us!

I am all of us at St Jude's!

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BACKS

\$20

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front office



LIMITED NUMBERS
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Mittagong Blue Light Disco

Venue: Mittagong RSL

Date : Saturday 22 October

Times : 4pm to 6.30 pm

Cost : \$5.00 per child 4 – 14 years

Parents and children under 4 free.

Thank you again for your continual support.

Chris and Sandra Roberson

Wingecarribee Blue Light

Senior Constable Chris Roberson

(Now retired)

Phone: 0412 321 555

There is a number of vouchers given out by ticket draws, only those who pay to enter receive a ticket in the draw.



FREE Family Fun Day

Bridges for Learning is celebrating their 30th birthday

Come along and join in the fun!

Date: Sunday 30th October

Where: Bowral Girl Guide Hall
44 Boolwey St Bowral

Time: 10:30am -2:30pm

jumping castle, face painting, sausage sizzle, sea creature display, and loads more!



See our Facebook page for more info and to RSVP



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Come to a **FREE**  **LOG BOOK RUN**

Gain 'real' driving log book time:

- Local drive for learners accompanied by their supervisors (maps & directions provided)
- Clock up some driving experience hours
- Graduated Licencing Scheme's Learner Log Book topics are covered
- Experience a NSW Police RBT set up

Experience a range of driving conditions and tasks such as, roundabouts, highway driving, traffic lights, gravel roads and narrow bridges.

* Minimum 25 hours in log book to participate

After Drive: **FREE** lunch
Learner Q & A with Police

NEXT Log Book Run 10am 23 October 2016

BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL



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This event is conducted by the Wingecarribee Shire Council Road Safety Officer, supported by the RNS.





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- Driver licence and photo ID cards
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- Seniors Cards and many more

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Visit service.nsw.gov.au, call 13 77 88 or download the mobile app.





WINGECARRIBEE FAMILY SUPPORT – ACTIVITIES TERM 4, 2016

CALENDAR RUNS FROM Oct 10—Dec 12th BOOKINGS PHONE 4862 1777. VENUE: Family Support 2 Holmhale St. Bowral (Cr Bowral St) unless otherwise stated.
 Phoning to book is appreciated as this helps us with planning. *All activities are free of charge and all materials supplied*

TUESDAY'S

TRIPLE P

Free childcare provided for group participants on-site with early childhood workers – please ring to book your place 10.00 - 12.00 noon **18th October— 29th November**

This program is aimed at practical answers to everyday parenting concerns, for families with children aged 2 to 12.

You will learn about:

- Effective parenting strategies
- How to enhance your child's development
- How to manage common behaviour problems

PLAY & CHAT SUPPORTED

PLAYGROUP

10.00-12.00 noon

THURSDAYS

13 October—8th December

A playgroup providing help to develop parent's skills and insight into the role of play in children's learning and social development. Early Childhood staff available for support and advice about your child's needs and any parenting or other concerns you may have. Please bring a hat and piece of fruit to share. *We are looking for new families for Family Support's Thursday morning playgroup.*

Come and join us!

MoneyMinded

10.00 - 12.00 noon

Friday's

21st October to 11th November

Free childcare provided for group participants on-site with early childhood workers – please ring to book your place

Parent support group that looks at:

- ***BUDGETING / SPENDING PLANS**
- ***UNDERSTANDING MONEY AND MAKING YOUR MONEY WORK FOR YOU**

***WAYS TO SAVE**

***MINIMISING DEBT**

COMMUNITY WALKS

FOR THE YOUNG & THE YOUNG AT HEART

Start at 10.00 for about 1 hour

Do you want to get motivated, get a sense of being part of the community and increase your fitness at the same time? Are you new to the area and want to meet people?

TUESDAY BOWRAL

With Mardi

Start in the car park of Bowral Swimming Pool for the Cherry Tree Walk

THURSDAY MITTAGONG

With Mardi

Start at the corner of Helena Street and the Old Hume Hwy opposite the Tourist Information Centre.

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NEVER TRIED

ANYTHING NEW

Albert Einstein

YOUNG PARENT GROUP

FOR ALL YOUNG PARENTS INCLUDING EXPECTANT MUMS & DADS

10:00 to 12noon

FRIDAYS

14th October—2nd December

Get together with other young parents, share info, experiences, support. Enjoy activities and learn about parenting, child development and relationships. Guest speakers, outings and activities.

With Karena

Men's Group Bowral

Tuesday Nights 7pm-9pm

Call to book

or for any enquiries

Harry 0408 402 946



Springwater Tots

Aboriginal Supported Playgroup

10:00-12:00 noon

MONDAYS

10 Oct— 12th Dec

Please call Kelly to book in 4862 1777

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 : _____	
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