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Congratulations!

Charlotte Withers Year 9

Congratulations to Charlotte Withers of Year 9 has broken a 23 year old record in the 14 Years Javelin. It was Charlottes first throwing of the 500g javelin and she smashed the record by 3.92m with a distance of 33.93m. Well done Charlotte!



NEWSLETTER



STOP PRESS : SRC Fundraiser
WEAR YOUR HEART ON YOUR SLEEVE

Congratulations Moss Vale High School Community raising \$1,553.00 to go to John Mac Foundation.

MOSS VALE HIGH SCHOOL DATES

Term 3

- **Monday 17 July 2023 - STAFF ONLY - STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY**
N.B: UNIFORM SHOP CLOSED - ORDERS CAN BE PLACED ONLINE
- **Tuesday 18 July 2023 - ALL STUDENTS RETURN**
SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP OPEN 1PM - 4PM



Deng Adut's Visit

The definite highlight of this term was the visit by Deng Adut to our school on Thursday 27 April. The staff and students at Moss Vale High School were honoured and privileged to have the author, child soldier and criminal lawyer, Deng Adut, visit for the entire school day. Deng wrote the inspirational and moving book, *Songs of a Warboy*, a book our school community has been reading as part of our long-standing Kick off with Reading program (KOWR). The KOWR started in 2014 and involves the same book being gifted to every student and staff member. The Positive Behaviour for Success team has always ensured that each book that has been chosen over the years, has communicated important social justice messages. These books and their messages form the basis of our Positive Behaviour for Success lessons throughout the first semester of each year.

Whilst Deng visited, he spoke to the school community at two separate assemblies, visited classes and happily signed hundreds of books. He took the time to chat with students informally during breaks and graciously posed for countless photos. We are all extremely grateful to have been able to hear, first-hand, of Deng's experiences and his inspiring messages of love, resilience, forgiveness and the potential for education to positively change a human being's life. In order to thank Deng for his generosity, time and wisdom, our school community held a fundraiser on Friday of week 9 this term, with all proceeds to go to Deng Adut's John Mac Foundation. This is a non-profit organisation which is focussed on helping to educate and empower refugees whose lives have been interrupted by war.





Kindness Project

Thank you to Sam Kennedy, one of our amazing school captains, for reinvigorating the Kindness Project at Moss Vale High School. All students and staff are encouraged to focus on being kind to others by performing a random act of kindness as much as possible throughout the day. The 'Wear Your Heart on Your Sleeve' mufti fundraiser is our school community's act of kindness for Deng Adut and his John Mac Foundation. We are also focusing on kindness through the PBS Spirit Awards each assembly. Students and staff can nominate a worthy recipient for the award who has gone out of their way to do something kind and caring for another individual. Congratulations to the following students who have been nominated for PBS Spirit Awards: Tyler Acton, Emiko Curcuruto, Raphy Eccleston, Allira Glasspool, Lincoln Hore, Sam Kennedy, Emma Kirkland, Yvette Lee, Toby Longshaw, Alyssa McCrow, Patrick McIntosh, Emily Stefanuik, Sara Rosas, Harry Wexler and Charlotte Withers.

Thank you for showing kindness and care in our school community!

School Captains Term 4 2023 - Term 3 2024

We have handed out a record number of applications to our Year 11 students for the upcoming school captains' process. This is a wonderful student cohort with many deserving candidates who will be running for these four important leadership positions in our school community. This is a very rigorous process that the nominees go through, including a written application, panel interview and presenting a speech at a full assembly. I wish all our Year 11 candidates well and look forward to going through the selection process with them next term.

Teachers

At a time when we are experiencing significant teacher shortages, I would like to shine a spotlight on the invaluable contributions of our teachers. As we navigate the ever-changing landscape of education, it becomes increasingly essential to recognise the tremendous impact that teachers have on our society, both inside and outside the classroom. Teachers help to shape and nurture life-long learners by fostering curiosity, critical thinking, and a love for learning. Teachers empower students to explore their potential, pursue their passions and contribute meaningfully to the world. Beyond academics and the curriculum, teachers act as mentors and role models, helping students to develop strong moral and ethical foundations. They teach empathy, respect, resilience, and by nurturing these qualities, teachers play a crucial role in fostering a more compassionate and

inclusive society.

I would like to personally thank and celebrate our teachers at MVHS for making a profound difference in the lives of our students.

Staffing

I am very pleased to announce that Mr Bryan Shedden has been permanently appointed to the Science Faculty. I also have some great news to announce early next term under the Temporary Workforce Transition initiative announced by the NSW Government. This is a one-off initiative occurring in 2023 and will see an offer of permanent employment being made to eligible temporary staff that have worked for a single school for at least 3 years to the end of 2022 and have committed to a further 12-month temporary engagement at the same school in 2023. I will officially announce the TEN staff members, who will be transitioning from temporary to permanent work, early next term. The ten staff will be a mix of teachers, School Learning Support Officers and School Administrative and Support Staff.

Holidays

For Term Three, our staff will be engaged in a Staff Development Day on Monday 17 July, and students will return on Tuesday 18 July.

I wish all our staff, students and families a restful and safe school holiday.

Patricia Holmes
Principal

From our  Office

ACTIVITY WEEK 2023



Most students have made their choices for Activity Week which will run from Wednesday to Friday 13-15 December 2023.

Any students who have not yet selected an Activity may do so by applying at the Front Office. A reminder that all fees (excluding General Contribution) must be paid before selecting an Activity costing \$200 or more.

A full permission note with outstanding balance to be paid will be sent out early in term 3. This can be paid off in instalments as long as the total cost of the Activity is paid by the end of term 3.



Learning and Life Goals

As Semester One wraps up, it's time to celebrate the amazing opportunities and achievements of students and staff and encourage every student to set quality learning and life goals for Semester Two.

These opportunities and achievements include, but are not limited to:

- Prize placements at agricultural shows and spectaculars
- Premier's Debating Challenge
- Performing with the Regional Ensemble, watching the Regional Ensemble Tour
- Performing at the Sydney Opera House, Corbett Gardens and more
- Science and Engineering Challenge
- Australian Geography Competition
- Country Schools Chess Knockout
- Do the Maths: Women, Empowerment, Opportunity Workshop
- Model United Nations
- Life Ready Camp
- Visit to the Jewish Museum
- Boccia State Knockout Competition for students with a disability
- Regional champions in cross country and athletics
- Outstanding sporting achievements in team and individual competitions



Every student. Every day.

Attendance

As winter progresses, we have noticed a significant decline in student attendance as cold and flu viruses prevail. Students are always encouraged to stay home if sick, as necessary, but are reminded to ensure they maintain a positive attendance pattern as much as possible. Mental health, birthday, refusal to attend school are not justified reasons for school absence. The NSW Department of Education *School Attendance Policy* states that regular attendance at school is essential to assist students to maximise their potential and encouraging regular attendance is a core school responsibility.

Years 8, 9 and 10 Subject Selection

At the beginning of Term 3 students in Years 8, 9 and 10 will participate in subject selection processes, providing them with the opportunity to choose some, or all, of the subjects they undertake in 2024. This is an important milestone for many students as it is the first

opportunity to map their own learning pathway. Students and parents/caregivers are encouraged to carefully read the information provided through Canvas to ensure they make informed decisions and meet due dates. Students who do not complete online forms in time risk missing out on positions in courses.

Activity Week

Activity Week selections have been made and deposits paid. We remind all students who are yet to choose an activity that there are still places available in a variety of activities. Very few schools offer students the opportunity to participate in end of year activities to the extent that Moss Vale High does. We encourage all students to get involved in Activity Week as it is a fun and relaxing way to finish the school year.

Congratulations

We would like to take this opportunity to congratulate and thank the many students who embrace school life and learning in a positive, enthusiastic, and productive manner. Educating students who are responsive and engaged, who respect their teachers and peers and enjoy school life, provides teachers with a sense of accomplishment and pride that is not always present in the daily life of a teacher. We strongly encourage students who have struggled to meet expectations for student behaviour, students who have not strived to achieve their personal best or those who have not fully engaged in school life to reassess their current habits and make choices in Semester Two to provide them with the best opportunities for their future learning and life pathways.

Ms H. Campbell and Mr M. Carlyon
Deputy Principals



Sponsorship of School Solar Panels

**Thank you to all the families who have contributed -
to date we have received \$2,500.00 from parents**

If you would like to support the schools solar panel fund raiser, click on the link below:

<https://portal.schoolbytes.education/other-payment/446>



NEWS FROM THE CAPA VAULT

A Creative and Performing Arts Update

What a term it's been, jam packed with performances, workshops and the SSO!

Performances

ANZAC Day Performance

On the first day back of Term 2, our school gathered to commemorate ANZAC day. A beautiful version of Sting's Fragile was performed by Sophia Blake, Zahra Nasser, Pearl Stravoskoufis and Sophie Vandervoort, accompanied by a slideshow presentation created by Ms Hansen.

Deng Adut Performance

In Week 2, our Vocal Rollers Vocal Ensemble, accompanied by Miss Kennedy and conducted by Mr Donaldson, performed "Better Place" by Rachel Platten for Deng Adut. The arrangement was dedicated in his honour.

ISE Regional Ensemble Performance

When the ISE Regional Performing Ensemble (aka the Purple Shirt group) perform at our school, they never disappoint! The Ensemble visits 9 schools over 3 days each term, and Term 2, Week 5 was the Southern Highlands' turn.

Congratulations to Tyler Bryant, Rory Gardiner, Simon Georgiou, Leo Jones, Zahra Nasser, Sophie Vandervoort and Alice West who are part of this amazing Ensemble.

The one-hour show for our CAPA students was highly entertaining and we loved every minute of it!

Bowral Memorial Hall Community Opening

In Week 6 our Vocal Rollers Vocal Ensemble, along with Oscar Dunn-Luck of Year 12 Music, provided 90 minutes of entertainment at the community opening of the Bowral Memorial Hall.

Our students gave excellent performances and were very well received by those in attendance. It was definitely a great experience to perform in the newly-renovated venue.

State Deputy Principals' Conference Performance

Our Senior Vocal Ensemble, One Note Longer, and Aboriginal student, Darcey Ingrey, were invited to attend the Selective and Partially Selective High Schools' Deputy Principals' State Conference at Peppers, Craigeburn in Week 7.

Darcey gave the Acknowledgement of Country and spoke about her story. Our vocalists sang the Anthem in Dharawal and then performed Don't Give Up On Me, Danny Boy and Better Place, with accompaniment by Miss Kennedy.

It was an honour to be requested for the third consecutive year, and our students represented Moss Vale High with excellence.

They have already been asked to attend next year's conference!

Opera House Performance

In Week 8, our Corazon Vocal Ensemble, accompanied by Oscar Dunn-Luck, had the amazing opportunity to sing a solo at the Sydney Opera House for the Festival of Instrumental Music. Our vocalists were selected to perform "Don't Give Up On Me" by Andy Grammer which was arranged and conducted by Miss Kennedy. It was a stunning performance and one that our vocalists will remember for years to come.

Damien Leith Performance and Vocal Workshop

One Friday of Week 8, Damien Leith came to visit our CAPA students.

Across 2 hours he performed originals and covers, and talked about dreaming big, pursuing your passion and overcoming fear. He said that while failure would always be a part of the journey, not trying, is worse. He shared stories from his Australian Idol journey and emphasised the importance of resilience.

Five students from Years 10 -11 were also able to sing and gain valuable feedback from the experienced singer/songwriter.

It was a fantastic afternoon and our students were buzzing afterwards.

We are very grateful to Damien for giving his time and sharing his talent and heartfelt message. A huge thank you to the Stefanuik family for initiating the amazing event.

Term 2 CAPA Concert

Our long awaited CAPA Concert featuring our extra-curricular Ensembles went off with a bang in Week 9. Every week, our students meet, learn and rehearse in their own time, and definitely worked hard to put together the 24 items of the Concert. Yes, this means they met before school, at recess and lunch, or after school in order to minimise the disruption to their learning. CAPA is clearly not for the faint hearted!

Over 120 Music, Drama and Dance students performed for a full house, and it was great to see our new performers performing alongside our experienced performers.

We would like to acknowledge our Year 12 students for whom this was probably their last performance on stage.

Many of them have been part of CAPA since they arrived in Year 7.

Thank you to Ruby Bagnell, Charlotte Blake, Gwilym Boyle, James Denman, Oscar Dunn-Luck, David Gillis, Luke Green, Grace Jones, Sam Kennedy, Zac Markovina, Asher Miller, Molly Page, Lucas Robb, Fin Torpy and Alyssa Waring for contributing your time, energy and skill over the years - you will be dearly missed!

Incursion/Excursions

Andrew Ford Composition Workshop

In Week 3 our Stage 6 Music students had the privilege to meet and learn from award winning composer, writer and broadcaster, Andrew Ford.

Andrew came to discuss his composition, "The Meaning of Trees", which is about climate change and was written during 2019-2020 when the Highlands was experiencing bushfires.

It was a rewarding experience and wonderful for our musicians to hear Andrew's thoughts and advice on composing.

Meet the Music

In Week 3 our Music students viewed the Sydney Symphony Orchestra from the Organ Gallery of the Concert Hall at the Sydney Opera House. It was wonderful to see the instruments up close from a different point of view and hear the Orchestra perform Rachmaninov's "Piano Concerto No 2" and Respighi's "Pines of Rome".

In Summary

How much do we love CAPA! Yet again, we would like to say thank you to all our CAPA students, for the amazing things they do. They are always raising the bar, and continue to amaze and impress us.

Here's to a well-earned break. We'll see you all back in Term 3, refreshed and ready to go for another term!

Miss Kennedy
Head Teacher CAPA

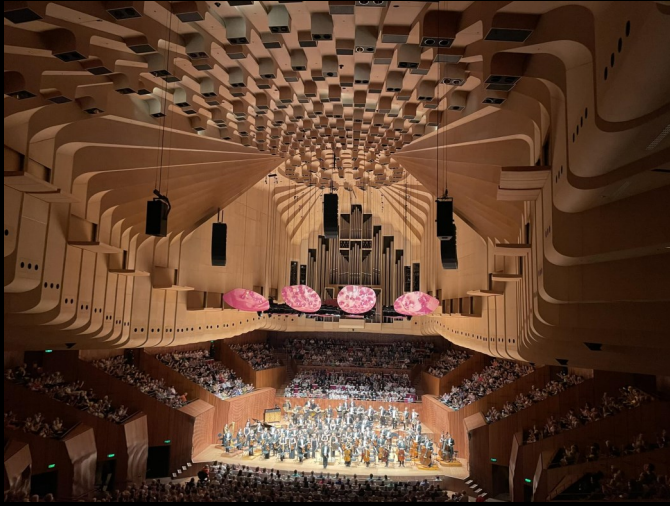
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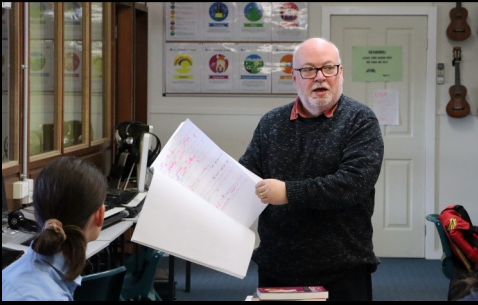
CAPA Soiree



GREEN DAY













ART WORK - Year 7 Mixed Media Self Portraits



Cody Bartlett



Odette Webb



Pania Hine



Lucas Shih



Lincoln Hore



Will Doyle



Owen Davies



Mika Eaton



Niah Dolan

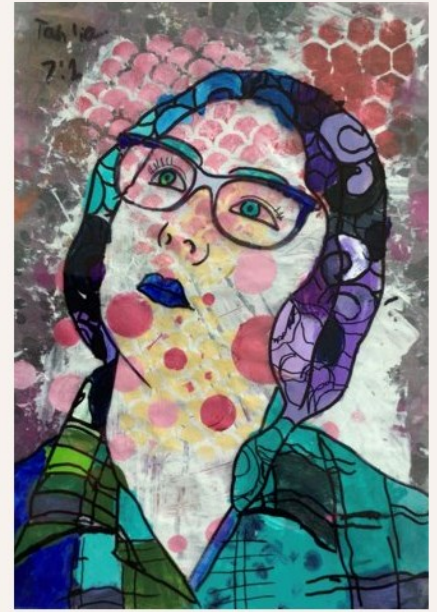
Year 7 Mixed Media Self Portraits cont...



Matthew Hong



Bethany Cassar



Tahlia Hallam



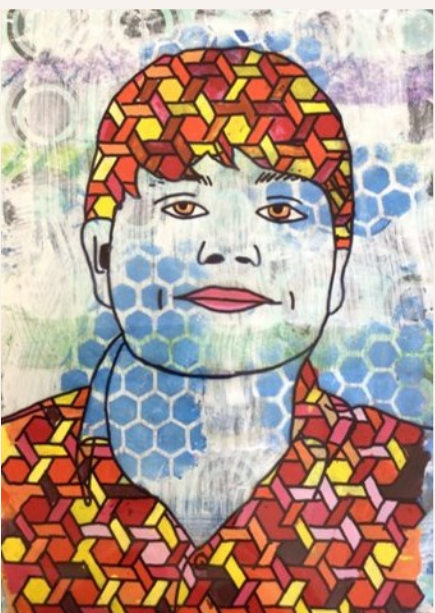
Caitlin Fitzgerald



Nikayla Aitken-Coburn



Charlotte Crowe



Jackson Smith



Kip Reay



Josh Green

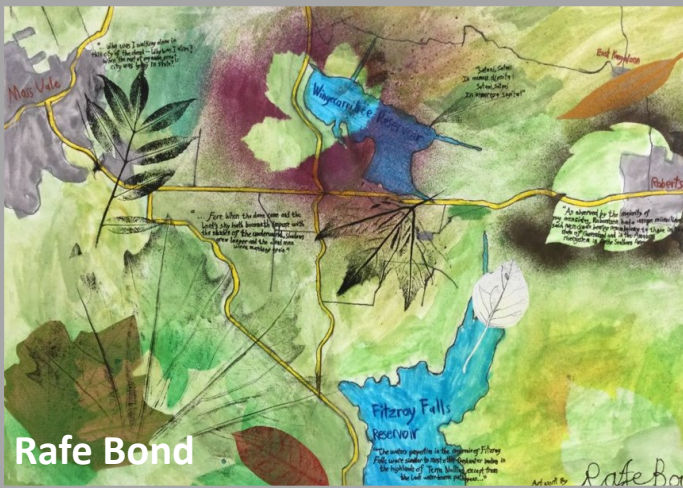
Year 8

Mixed Media Maps

Students mapped
their journey to school



Max Wallace and Liam Bracht (detail)



Rafe Bond



Lilea Seville



Isla McAlary



Summer Ranclaud



Ava Covington



Brigid Martin



Year 10

Still-Life

Olivia Cassar



Alice West



April Jordan



Brodie Neale



Claudia Swinley



Donilyn Barbarona



Mim de Borde



Oscar Markovina



Georgina



Issac Matthews



Tom Nelson



Jarvis Cape



Lee Jones

Year 10

Colour Reduction Lino Print Flora

Inspired by Australian artist
Margaret Preston



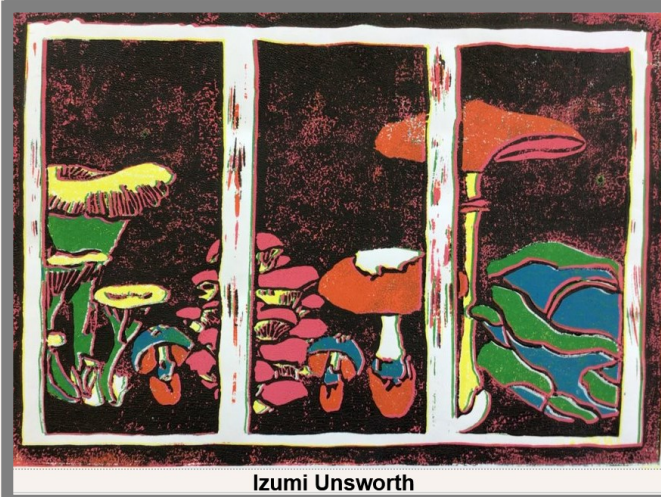
Jessica Hart



Kiki Touma



Caelan Smuts



Izumi Unsworth



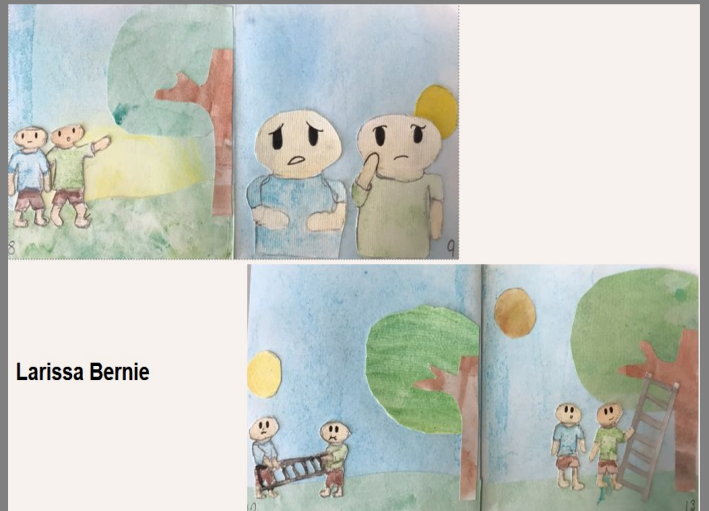
Plant at Sunset

Laila Gardiner

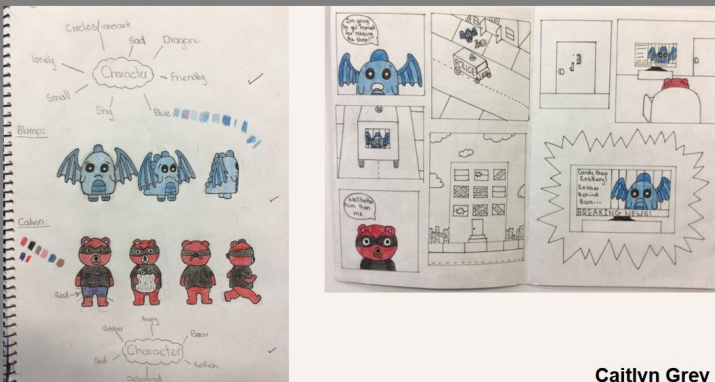
Year 9/10 Visual Design Character Design



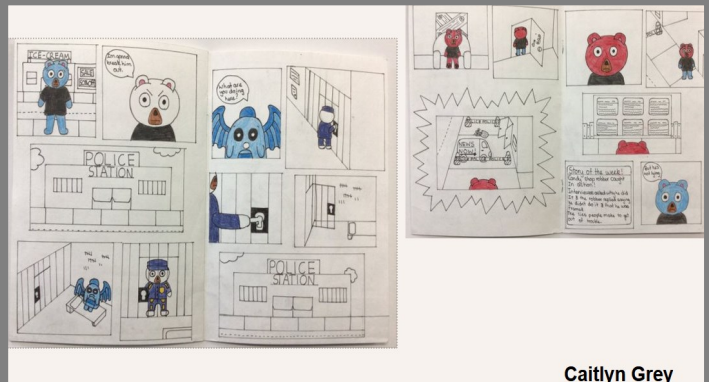
Asher Jansen



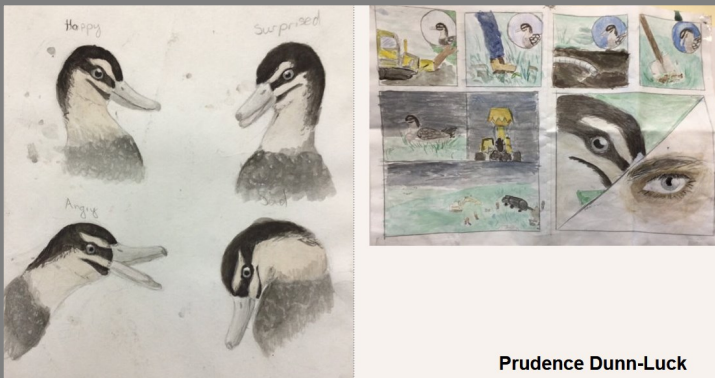
Larissa Bernie



Caitlyn Grey



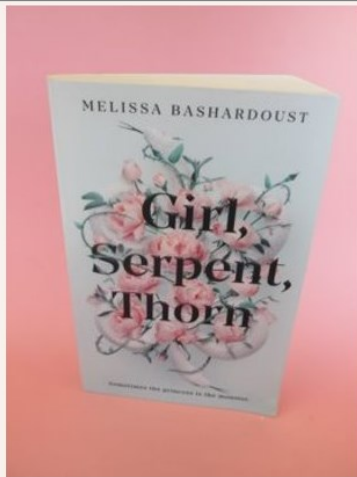
Caitlyn Grey



Prudence Dunn-Luck



Olivia Cassar

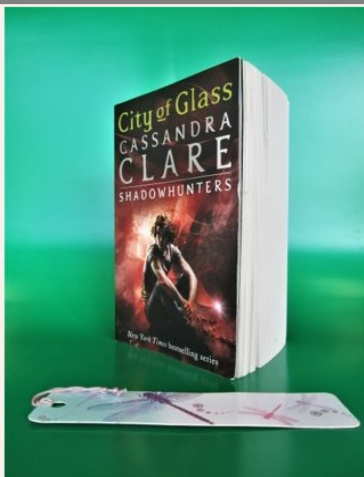


Year 9/10 Photography

Self-Portrait in Symbols



Izumi Unsworth



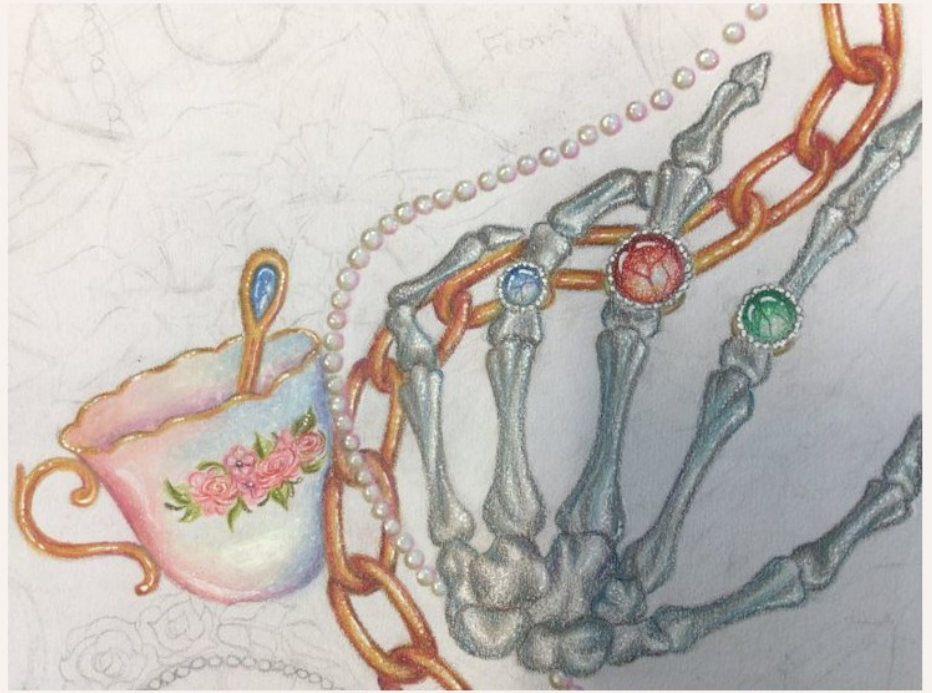
Phoebe Jobson



Prudence Dunn-Luck

Year 11 Visual Art

Inspired by the work of Australian artist eX de Medici, students created an artwork convey the idea of indulgence and consumption.



Work in progress Maia Vasilakis



Phoebe Jordan



Tim Andrews



Phoebe Jordan





Belle Harvie



Mia Gardiner



Raffaella Levings



Emerald Fleming



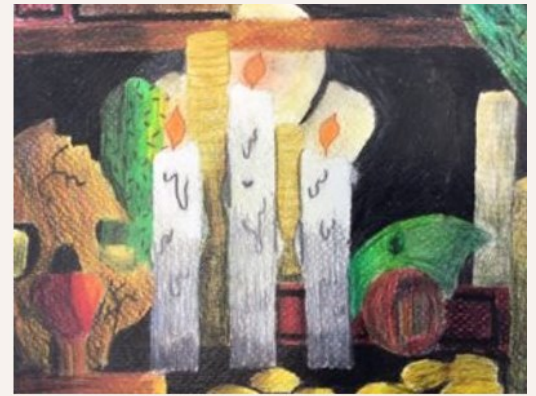
Amelia Campion



Maxwell Newman



Meridian Main



Jade Esquilant



Brenden Balk



Jenna Moule



Important Notices regarding procedures @ Moss Vale High School:

Sick Bay

Changes to our process of dealing with students who present to our administration office feeling unwell:

- Students will be logged on our Sentral system and assessed.
- Basic first aid treatments will be administered where appropriate.
- If deemed unable to remain in class, parents / caregivers will be contacted to collect their child.
- Students will be waiting in the administration foyer for pick-up.

Early Leavers

- Students are expected to be at school all day, every day, unless they are seriously ill or have other extenuating circumstances.

If students are required to leave early the following procedure needs to be adhered to:

- Parents to notify the school via a note with your child, a phone call, email or via Sentral portal messages **before 9am**.
- An early leaver slip will be generated at the Administration Office, which will be given to your child.
- Students present the slip to be excused from class at the correct time.

Blazers & Ties

Students who wish to borrow a school blazer and/or tie, will need to go to the Administration Office in their break times, the day prior to requiring the uniform items. These items are NOT to be kept by students for extended periods of time.

Any students who have borrowed a school blazer or tie, are expected to return them the following school day, to the Administration Office.

Admin Office Hours

- 8:30am – 3:30pm



School Bytes

School Bytes at Moss Vale High

MVHS uses the School Bytes application for:

- All communications to parents via email
- All excursions with ability to give permission and payment online
- Tuesday sport selections by students online, with ability to give permission and payment online
- Activity Week selections by students online, with ability to give permission and payment online
- All invoicing for school fees
- Use of credit to pay for part or all fees, excursions or other payments
- Monitoring of student health conditions and regular medication

Parents can use the School Bytes application:

- To give permission and payment for excursions, Tuesday sport and Activity Week
- To pay for school fees or other payments
- To log on to the Parent Portal to view past payments, outstanding payments, excursions and activities their child has been in or is yet to attend. (Note that the School Bytes Parent Portal is different to the Sentral Parent Portal, which is currently used for attendance and wellbeing.)

Creating an account on the School Bytes Parent Portal is completely optional and not required for permissions and payments. If you would like to take advantage of this Parent Portal, please follow this link with full instructions:

<https://support.schoolbytes.education/hc/en-us/articles/5184859634191-Parent-Portal-Set-up-your-parent-portal-account>

MOSS VALE HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION for Parents and Caregivers

School Administration Office Contact & Hours:

Our Administration office phone number is **4868 1717**. Office hours are **8.30am-3.30pm Monday to Friday during school terms.**

School email: mossvale-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au

School Website: mossvale-h.schools.nsw.gov.au

Facebook Page:

The Moss Vale High School Facebook page is for the school to disseminate information, to inform and positively promote the school, the learning that occurs within and all our staff and students' many amazing achievements within the community.

It is not a forum for community discussion and therefore **we do not encourage comments of posts relating to questions**, concerns or public debate on items. It is not the place to publicly object to the policies or practices of Moss Vale High School, its committees or related organisations. Nor is it a forum for users to advocate their businesses, opinions or philosophical positions. The appropriate avenue is via communication with the Principal of Moss Vale High School; communication via email at ***mossvale-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au*** or by contacting our administration office on 48681717 between the hours of 8.30am-3.30pm Monday to Friday during the terms.

Uniform Shop:

Online orders via: <https://daylightsportswear.com/mossvale>

Our School Uniform shop is open Monday 8am-10am, Tuesday 1pm-4pm and Thursday 8am-10pm

Moss Vale High School P&C:

All welcome to attend our P&C meetings. Our P&C Committee can be ***contacted via email at pandcmeetings@mvhs-pandc.com***. Meetings are held every Tuesday, 4th and 9th week of the term, commencing at 5.30pm in the Staff Common room.

Moss Vale High School Canteen:

The Moss Vale High School Canteen ***contact is via phone on 4868 1883 or email: mvhscanteen@gmail.com*** Parents and Caregivers may place orders with payment via *flexischools*, please ensure orders are placed before 8.30am on the day.

SUPPORT UNIT EXCELLENCE

Deng Adut Visit

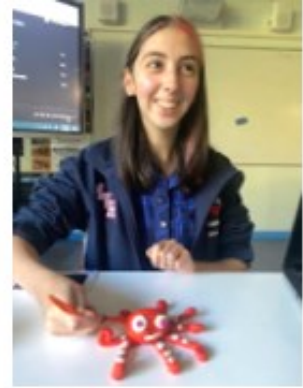
The Support Unit at MVHS proudly welcomed Deng Adut to our school and relished the opportunity to meet with him in person and ask questions.



Bundy Class TAS Projects 'Rope Baskets'



Mossy Class TAS Projects 'Clay Figures'



Exeter & Fitzroy Class TAS Cooking



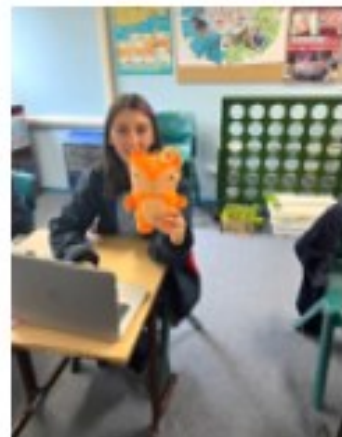
All Classes Agriculture



Community Access



Mossy Class TAS 'Puppets'



School Sport Unit Boccia Knockout

Students proudly represented Moss Vale High School at the 2023 School Sport Unit Boccia Knockout. Benjamin Good, Angelique Borbone, Emily Bowditch and Thomas Tate travelled to the Illawarra Sports Stadium to compete against a range of schools within the Northern South Coast region. All students played well and got the experience to catch up with some old friends while also making some new ones! Thomas Tate can be proud of his efforts, getting our teams only 'Bonus point' for the day. We look forward to attending this event again next year!



Year 12 Work and The Community

Throughout this Semester, students have been developing their awareness of people and locations within our local community who may prove helpful when moving forward into post-school life. This has included people and locations centred on further education, open employment, recreation, supported employment, and day program options. To this end, we have heard from Nova Employment Services, Macarthur Disability Services, The Loading Zone, Challenge Southern Highlands, Moss Vale and Campbelltown TAFE, and other specialists in related service industries. Students have completed work and post school tasters at a range of locations including the Mittagong RSL, the Art Centre Café at the Gardens in the Campbelltown Arts Centre, the Tahmoor Inn, Challenge Southern Highlands (Welby Garden Centre), Campbelltown TAFE, and Macarthur Disability Services in Tahmoor.

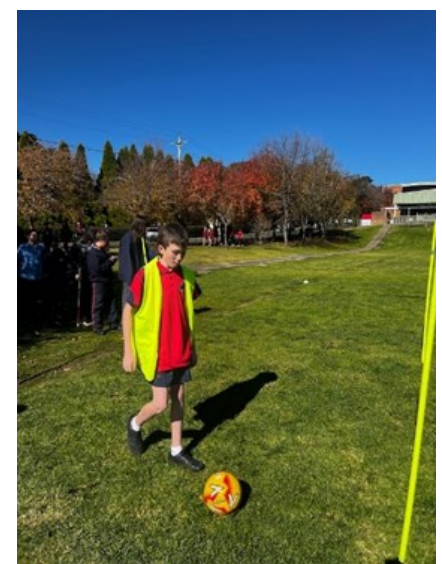


Athletics Carnival



School Sport Term 2

Thanks again to Toby Smith from 'Coverdrive' based at Bradman Oval and the Kollege of Knowledge Kommittee for Kids (K4K4) for their continued support.



Mr Vandervoort
Head Teacher Sport Unit

Connection Crew Incursion

Bush Tucker and Weaving Workshops

On Thursday 15 June (Term 2 Week 8), we were fortunate enough to have Greg from Yama 2 You Bush Tucker as well as Pam Luke and Rose Shaw come in to work with our First Nations students.

We had a busy afternoon with Greg walking the students through the process of making Kangeroo stew, and the native ingredients used. Students were also able to try Oecphylla smaragdina (green ant marmalade). Greg had many different tools to show the students and then facilitated the students practicing their boomerang throwing and the male students were able to participate in spear throwing.

Rose Shaw from Community Circles and Pam Luke, a prominent local artist, brought in many different weaving options for the students to try. They were able to use traditional methods to make bracelets, baskets and bowls.

Our Connection Crew students had a fantastic time, and we greatly appreciate the time and effort of Greg, Pam and Rose put in to working with, and educating our First Nations students. We encourage any First Nations students who would like to join our Connection Crew to come and see Mrs Tilden.

Mrs Tilden

Aboriginal Education Team Leader



Connection Crew Incursion

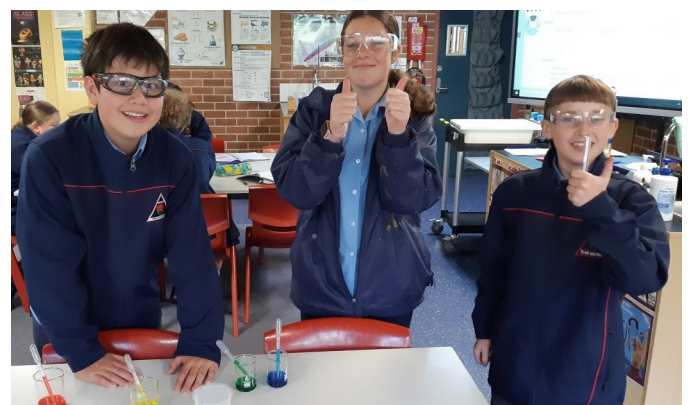
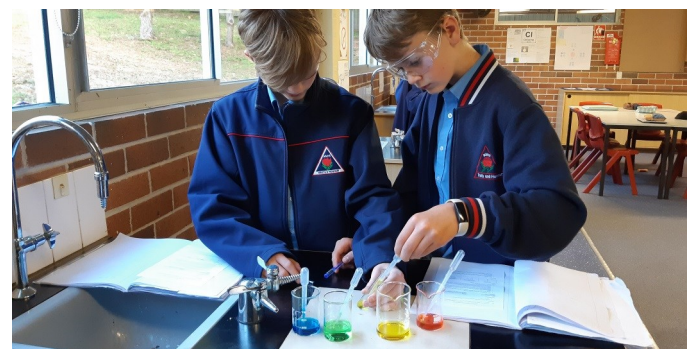
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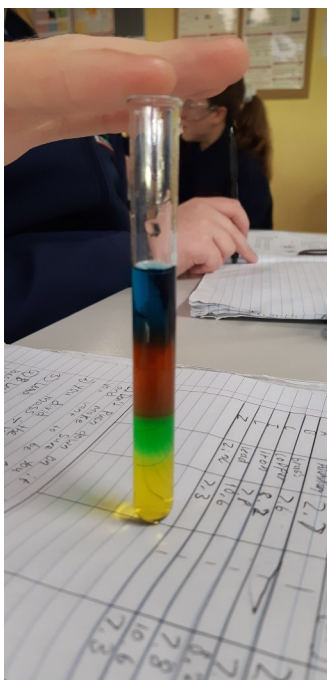
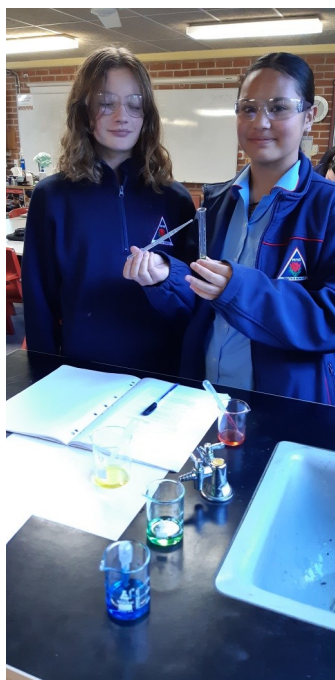




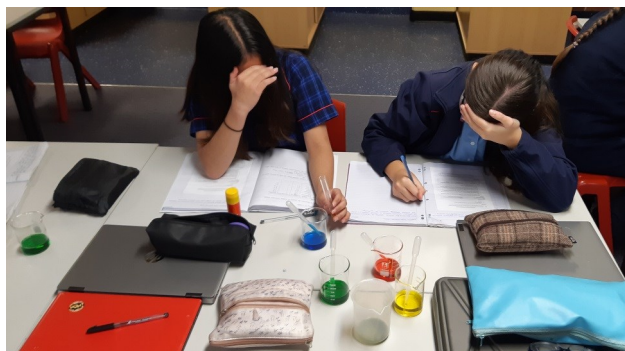
Year 7 Rainbow Tubes

Year 7 have been investigating the topic "states of matter" in which they explore the physical property of density. Density is the amount of matter packed into a space. Classes 7A and 7S were given the task of identifying the differences in density of four coloured mystery liquids, and then using this knowledge to construct a "rainbow tube". Students used their science skills to work out the correct density order of the liquids by carefully adding one liquid to the other and seeing which colour floated and which sank. This knowledge was then used to fill a test tube with clearly separated coloured liquids, with blue at the bottom and yellow at the top. The true identity of the liquids was kept secret and there much chatter and debate about what they were. Once the prac was completed, all was revealed -- the mystery liquids were nothing more than water with different amounts of salt (and food colouring, of course). Judging by the broad smiles and active engagement in the lesson, it was clear that everyone enjoyed themselves.





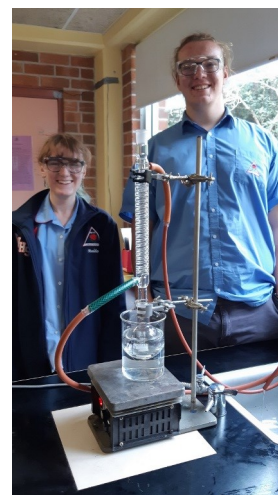
Year 7 Rainbow Tubes cont..



Y12 Esters Prac

Carbon is found in more places and in more forms than any other element. More than 90 per cent of compounds known to chemists are carbon compounds, and the study of these organic compounds has been the focus of Year 12 Chemistry in term 2. One of the most eagerly anticipated (and smelly) investigations was the production of esters from the chemical reaction of alcohol and carboxylic acid.

This involved safely heating highly flammable reagents to accelerate the reaction rate, and then purifying to extract the final product. The smell of the ester was so distinctive that adjoining classes correctly identified that it had the aroma of banana lollies. Success!



Year 10 Science and Engineering Challenge

On Monday 22 May, 27 Year 10 students participated in the problem solving competition that is the Science and Engineering Challenge organised by the University of Newcastle and supported by the Bowral-Mittagong Rotary. The Science and Engineering Challenge encourages students to consider a career in science or engineering, and to study the enabling sciences in senior high school. I would like to congratulate all the students on participating positively and for being active learners.





NSW Titration Competition

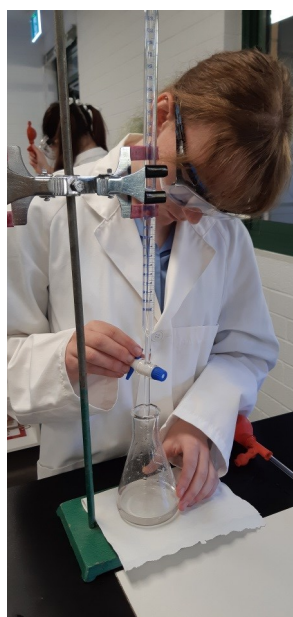
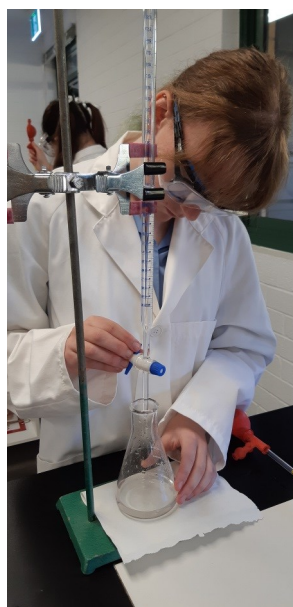
On Saturday 17 June, six of our Y12 Chemistry students competed in the NSW Titration Competition at Nowra Anglican College. This is the first time in recent years that Moss Vale High School has entered this competition and it proved to be a fantastic experience. Students competed in teams of three, with each responsible for precisely measuring (to four decimal places) the concentration of one of three different acetic acid solutions. To achieve this, they used a primary standard of hydrochloric acid to standardise a sodium hydroxide solution, which was then used to measure the acetic acid solution. This involved meticulous washing and rinsing of all glassware, then up to eight individual titrations, plus calculations, all within a strict 90-minute window.

Our two teams were exemplary ambassadors for our school with their willingness to have a go, deal with set-backs, show good sportsmanship, and enjoy themselves. My unwritten goals for our teams were: 1) at least half the students achieve a value for the acetic acid, 2) at least one to be close to their correct value, and 3) to experience the event and have a bit of fun with it! Mission accomplished. Huge congratulations to Maddison Coulter for achieving a result that was only 0.5% too high.

It was amazing to see what other teams were able to achieve. All three members of the winning team from Nowra Anglican College achieved concentrations that perfectly matched the verified concentrations. They only lost points for the range of deviation in their individual measurements, and one student achieved a perfect score of 0 points. Phenomenal!

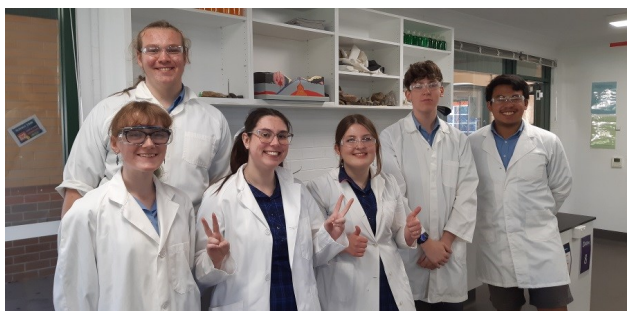
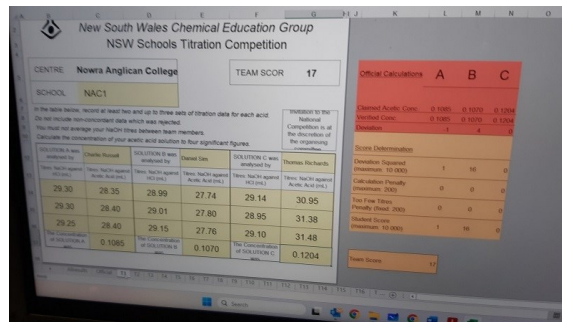
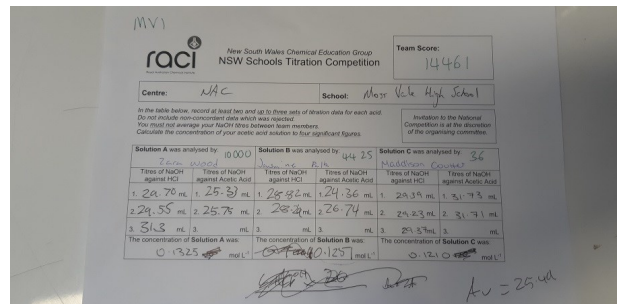
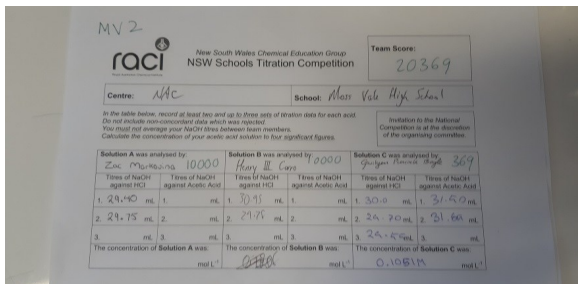
Afterwards, we took the opportunity to extend our Organic Chemistry studies by visiting the Manildra Ethanol plant at Bomaderry to observe the industrial scale fermentation and distillation processes. This is the largest distillery in South East Asia, transforming wheat into a range of ethanol suitable for transport fuel (E10 and E85), beverages, pharmaceuticals, personal care products and industrial applications. It was an impressive sight.

Mr Shedden
Science Teacher





NSW Titration Competition cont...



Australian and New Zealand Brain Bee Challenge (ABBC & NZBBC)



The Australian and New Zealand Brain Bee Challenge (ABBC & NZBBC) is a competition for high school students in Years 10 (Australia) and 11 (New Zealand) to learn about the brain and its functions, learn about neuroscience research, find out about careers in neuroscience and to dispel misconceptions about neurological and mental illnesses. This year, 2936 students competed in the first round, with 657 of those being from 46 different schools across NSW, including a Year 10 class from Moss Vale High School.

I would like to congratulate the class for participating and would like to especially acknowledge the following students:

CREDIT: April Jordan, Lachlan McAfee and Tyler Bryant for achieving a credit

Congratulations!



Above : April Jordan, Lachlan McAfee and Tyler Bryant



Congratulations!

Above not in order :Angelina Cooksley, Emma Fahey, Grace Jones, Ziggy Shields, Daniel Zenobi and Hannah Baldwin

DISTINCTION: Angelina Cooksley, Emma Fahey, Grace Jones, Ziggy Shields, Daniel Zenobi and Hannah Baldwin for achieving a Distinction

This year, the **Top 65 students are invited to the NSW Finals (Round 2)**, which will be held at UNSW Sydney on Wednesday 9 August 2023. The following students, Angelina Cooksley, Emma Fahey, Grace Jones, Ziggy Shields have been invited to participate as both an individual and as a team at the State Level.

I would like us to congratulate them and wish them the best of luck.

*Ms Rumble
Science Teacher*



Term 2 has been super busy with multiple carnivals and team sports but firstly to report on the end of term 1 which was unable to make deadlines for the newsletter.

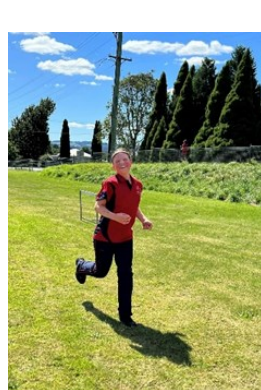
Cross Country

Late in term 1 we held our competitors only cross country. With perfect weather, approximately 60 students from Years 8-12 and all of our new Year 7 cohort competed in our annual cross country.

The event was run by the PDHPE staff with the help of our Year 10 PASS students, who assisted around the course, doing an amazing job.

Age	Boys	Girls
12 Years	Alexander Booth	Emma Kirkland
13 Years	Finn Donlan	Emiko Curcuruto
14 Years	Jack Griffiths	Ruby Blake
15 Years	Justin Murray	India Levings
16 Years	Billy Apostolatos	Emily Harlor
17 Years	Rowan Davies	Lily Robinson
18 Years	Connor Beveridge	Alexe Murray





Junior Boys and Girls Soccer 🏈

The Junior Boys Soccer team played Bowral late in term 1 and, unfortunately lost in an exciting match. The boys played with courage and integrity and deserve to be congratulated on a valiant effort! Well done, boys!

Our Junior girls also played against a strong Bowral side going down by 4 goals in the first half. The Girls came out stronger in the second half, only conceding a last minute goal in the closing seconds of the game. The final score 0-5. Coach Miss Duffy, said she was very proud of the continued teamwork throughout the match!



The last event in Term 1 was the Girls Open Cricket Team 2023 🏏

The Open Girls Cricket team faced Bowral High in round 1 of the knockout competition.

7 senior players from last year's squad are now in Year 12 and sadly are ineligible to play - as a result, the team had many new faces.

Our girls headed out to field first with Captain Ashleigh Wilson leading the way with some fine bowling along with April Rowley and Alex Beveridge.

Bowral reached 112 after 20 overs.

Once again, Ashleigh led the way batting, top scoring with 27 runs and batting almost the entire innings, she was accompanied by Georgi Hurford, Lucy Smith and April Rowley who all batted well.

The girls fought hard but unfortunately, fell short on 81 after 20 overs.

All the girls fielded well with Ruby Blake, April Rowley and Alex Beveridge all working extra hard in the outfield.

When the competition comes around next year, we once again lose several players from Year 11 as they become Year 12 students and so will look to rebuild.



Thank you to our Senior boys, Brody Martin and Connor Beveridge, for assisting with umpiring and scoring.



Term 2

Year 12 Life Ready Camp 2023

We started off the term with Year 12 venturing out to participate in their “Life Ready Camp”. As part of the Year 11/12 curriculum, students are to undertake a mandatory 25 hour Life Ready Program.

The Life Ready Program is designed to prepare and support senior students with life skills beyond school.

The main elements of the Life Ready Program are as follows:

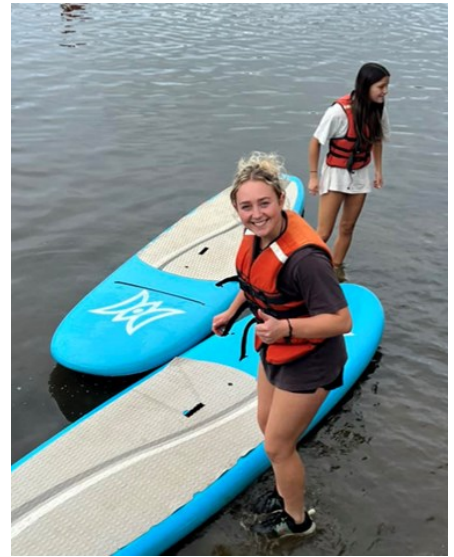
- Independence
- Mental Health and Wellbeing
- Relationships
- Sexuality and Sexual Health
- Drugs and Alcohol
- Safe Travels

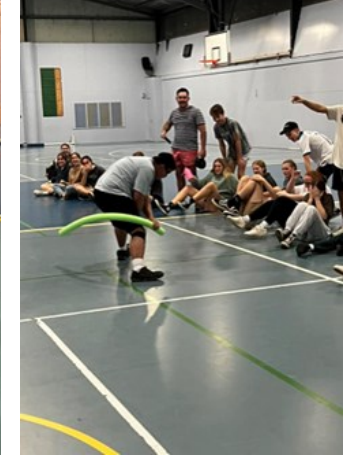
This year our students headed off to Narrabeen Sport and Recreation Centre.

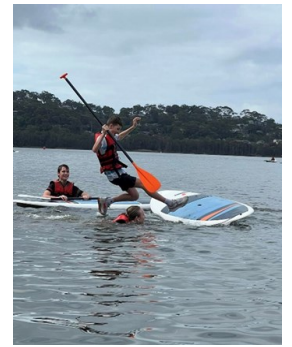
Whilst the weather conditions weren't great all students participated in activities provided.

They were involved in Puzzle Rooms, Stand Up Paddle Boarding, Fire and Damper Making, Trivia, Independence, Mental Health, Relationship Workshops, Archery Tag, Games and Blind Canoeing.

Thank you to all of Year 12 for embracing the activities and making the most of their time together building peer relationships.









All students are to be congratulated on their behaviour and enthusiasm to engage in all activities. Thank you to all the teachers who attended and who helped to make this year's camp a huge success.

We would like to especially thank our sponsors who assisted in subsidising our students to attend this years camp :

- Plus Fitness Moss Vale
- The Moss Vale Hotel
- Dominos Moss Vale

Junior Boys Cricket Team 🏏

Another great day of cricket at Tourist Rd Oval Glenquarry in the first week of Term 2.

Moss Vale batted first: Riley Hong made 40 not out (retired); Jack Griffiths 20; Max Wallace 18 not out; Benji Lee-Billinghurst 18; Josh Green 15. In the end, the boys made a hefty 5-200 after our allotted 20 overs.

Queanbeyan batted second and were bowled out for 82. Best bowlers: Noah Nasser 2 for 8, Jack Griffiths 3 for 5, Noah Roodenrys 1 for 11 and Mathew Hong 1 for 12.

Moss Vale now proceed to the semi-finals of the region. This match will be played sometime toward the end of Term 3 or start of Term 4.

Congratulations to Coach Mr Good and the boys, another fantastic effort.



Boys Open Hockey 🏑

MVHS Boys Hockey team were successful in their round 2 CHS Knockout against Mulwaree High 4-0 at Welby.

This win meant the boys qualified to participate in the South Coast Gala which is to be held in the first week of Term 3. The top two teams from this will qualify into the state draw.

Well done boys!!! A great effort. Thanks to Mrs Cowen for coaching and organising the boys.



Open Girls Hockey Team

The girls played their round two game against Smith's Hill HS after having a bye in round one. They defeated Smiths Hill HS 6-1 with Lucy Nash scoring 5 goals and Bridget Connors scoring the other. It was an impressive effort from the Mossy girls with at least six of the team playing their first ever game of hockey. Thanks to Hayley Murray for umpiring.

The girls also qualified to attend the South Coast Gala day in early Term 3.



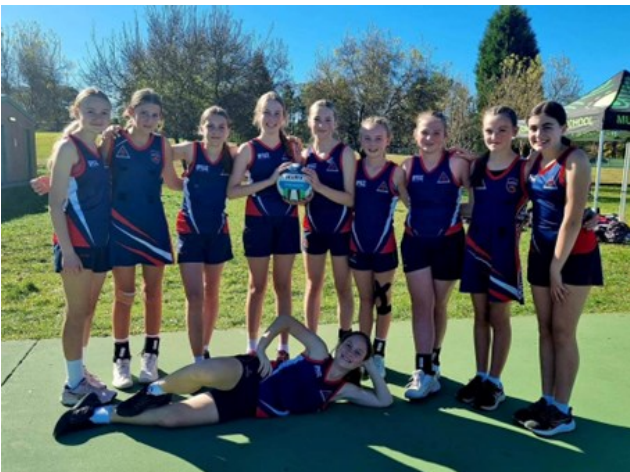
Netball NSW Schools Cup

This year MVHS entered 3 teams in the Netball NSW Schools Cup at Eridge Park, which was played on Wednesday 10 May.

We had a very enthusiastic 9/10 boys team who, while inexperienced, their training paid off and they will go to the next level in August.

Both girls teams, our 7/8 and 9/10, were successful in winning some of their games and approached each one with determination.

Thanks to Jade Hines for her commitment to umpiring successive games for the duration of the day and to Mrs Rossi and Mrs Bunning for organising and training our teams and coaching them on the day.





Athletics Carnival

It was a great day for all as students competed across our track and field events or novelty events. The weather was the best we have had in years, which really enhanced the day for all.

House championship points from the day were:

- 4th Morton ● - 732
- 3rd Carrington ● - 960
- 2nd Belmore ● - 1011

And congratulations to our 2023 Athletics Carnival Champions, Gibraltar ● - 1035
Individual age Champion points are :

Age Champions

Age	Girls	Boys
12 Years	Emma Kirkland	Lachlan Gentles
13 Years	Pearl Stravoskoufis	Emmanuel Biukoto
14 Years	Ruby Blake	Lachlan McCullagh
15 Years	Holly Speechley	Jacob Quigley
16 Years	Emily Harlor	Riley Wallace
17 Years	Keira Hol	Connor Beveridge

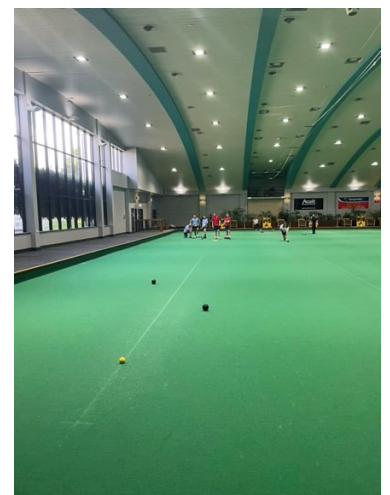
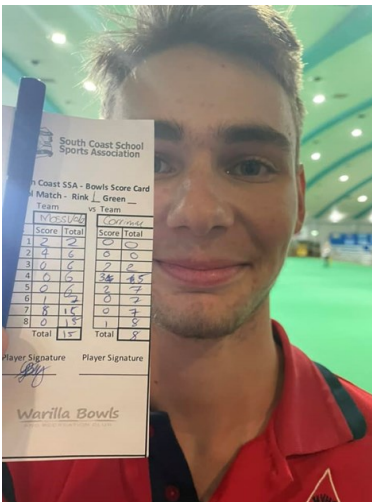
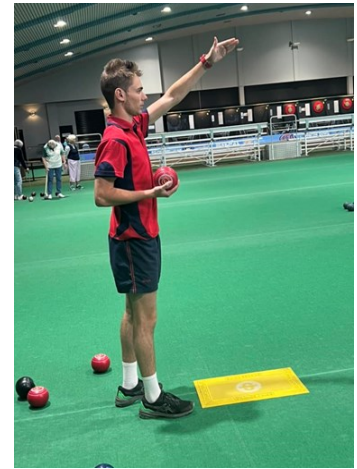


Boys Opens Triple Bowls

Brody Martin, Connor Beveridge and Brayden Stirton of Year 12 competed in the knockout round of triples lawn bowls at Warilla Bowling Club.

The boys played in 3 games but were unlucky, going down in their final game - which placed them 3rd overall out of 4. The top two teams progress to the next round.

A great effort from our boys.



OUR OPEN BOYS FOOTBALL TEAM ARE SEMI-FINALISTS ! ⚽🏆

Our open boys football team made history as the first in over 12 or more years to make it through to the regional semi final of the CHS knockout school and after going up 1-0 very early, found themselves trailing 2-1 at half time. With a few minutes remaining in the game, the boys scored an equaliser, forcing extra time.

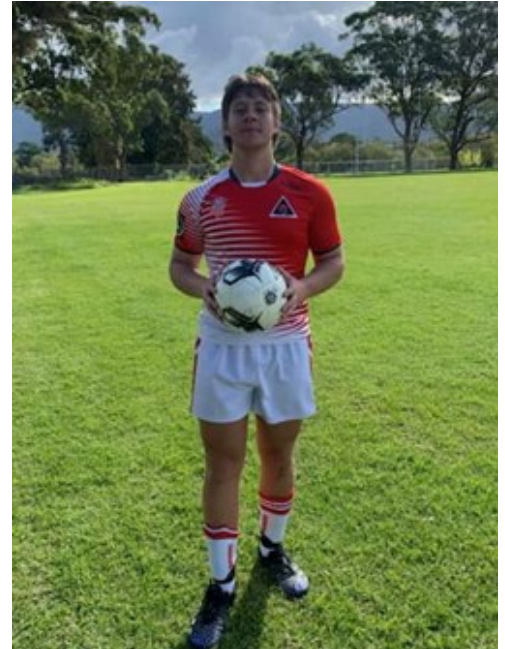
A stalemate during extra time meant that the dreaded penalty shootout would decide the winner of this quarter final tie. After 9 penalties each and some great saves by goalkeeper Gabriel Stanley, Reuben Streatfeild stepped up and calmly slotted home the winner.

Moss Vale High School win 6-5 on penalties !!

A great effort by all in front of a raucous Dapto High School crowd means that the boys would move on to play Smiths Hill High School in the semi final in the coming month.

A big thank you to Mr Vandenberg for training and providing a tactical session for the boys prior to the day and super-coach Mr Vasilakis for transporting, organising and coaching the boys during the game today.

Please see next page for photographs



NSW FUTSAL SCHOOLS CUP – MINTO

It was a tough day at the office for our opens boys and girls Futsal teams, who in previous years have enjoyed a little more success at the Minto Futsal championships. With a vastly increased number of schools entered into this year's competition, it was always going to be a tough ask to progress into the group stages.

Our girls, in what we would call a "rebuilding phase" - following the departure of many of our football players in 2022, played their hearts out, represented the school beautifully but sadly went down in all four games that they played. There were a few highlights, however, being a great goal from a corner by Alexe Murray and the many brilliant saves that Emerson Rochaix made at point blank range.

Our open boys were unlucky not to make the quarter finals. In a number of heated and rough matches the boys maintained excellent sportsmanship and competed well - with their final match being a must win to sneak into the quarter finals. Unfortunately they fell short again this year as they ended up with 1 draw, 3 losses and a great win, capped off by an Andrew Hong hat trick.

The day is always an enjoyable one for our students, who get to experience a sport that is not very common or popular in the Southern Highlands area. Students now looked ahead to the South Coast Championships in Wollongong the following Friday.

Thank you to Ms Middleton and Mr Vandenberg for organising and coaching our Futsal teams.





Zone Cross Country 🏃 🏃

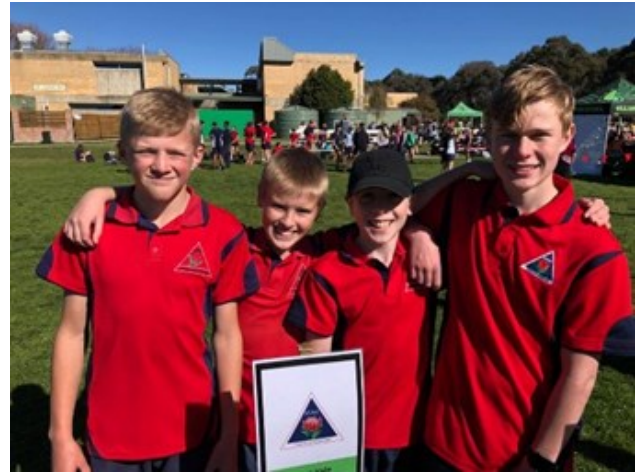
Forty-five students travelled to Goulburn to compete in the Zone Cross Country. Some of the standout performances for the day were as follows:

- Ruby Blake 1st and Zone 14 Years Age Champion
- Charlotte Withers 2nd
- Jack Griffiths 2nd
- Emma Kirkland and Emily Harlor 4th
- Felix Richter, Eli Elphick, Riley Wallace and Lillian Ragan 5th
- India Levings and Willow Percival 7th and Ruby Bennetts 8th.

The students listed above, now progress to the Regional Cross Country. A fantastic effort by all.

Thank you to Mr Cooke and Ms Regan for accompanying the students.





FUTSAL SCHOOLS CUP - SOUTH COAST

The Open Boys and Girls Futsal Teams travelled to Berkeley Sports Stadium to compete in the South Coast Tournament.

Both teams played 4 games in their pools with the girls losing 3 and drawing their final game.

The boys won 2 and narrowly lost 2 and were unlucky not to make the quarter finals having finished second in their pool on goal difference. A technicality involving two other schools who had to replay the final minutes of their game again sadly meant that our boys ended up not making the finals on goal difference - following a rollercoaster of emotions and results that went our way prior.

Ms Middleton and Mr Vandenberg thoroughly enjoy taking our Futsal Teams to these competitions and our students always represent the school with pride, respect and brilliant sportsmanship.

It will be sad to say farewell to our outgoing Year 12 Futsal students, of which there are many this year, who have been involved for many years. These students have been great participants and ambassadors for our school at all competitions. Thank you Year 12 students !





OPEN GIRLS FOOTBALL QUARTER FINAL V SHOALHAVEN HS

Our Open Girls Football team faced off against a much stronger team from the South Coast in the Puma Trophy Regional Quarter Final, going down 8-1.

Our girls fought hard but were no match for the experience that the girls from Shoalhaven High School have picked up while playing for NPL sides such as the Illawarra Stingrays.

The second half was a much improved half from the girls after a half time talk from Ms Middleton and they came out more focused and determined to put pressure on Shoalhaven High. With a great goal from April Rowley our girls found a spark which enabled them to keep pushing hard, only going down 2-1 in the second half. Even though the girls lost, they never gave up, showing grit and determination which was lead by their fearless Captain Keira Hol.

Sadly, we lose another bunch of valuable members of the team for the years ahead with Year 12 students Keira Hol, Grace Turner, Alexe Murray and Taylor Robson playing their last game today. Thank you to these girls for their contribution to our football team over the last few years.



OPEN BOYS FOOTBALL SEMI-FINAL HEARTBREAK

Our most successful Open Boys Football team ever were unlucky to not come away with the win in their South Coast CHS Regional Semi-Final Puma Cup match Vs Smiths Hill High School.

In a game where all players rose to the occasion as one against a quality Smith Hill HS side. The boys played a high intensity, organised and determined game - going down 1-0 in the second last minute of the game to a fantastic headed goal.

It was a match where football truly was the overall winner and one of the best games of school football that most teachers who witnessed and the referee had said they have seen.

A big thank you to all the players for the way in which you represented yourselves, your families and the school throughout the tournament, to Mr Vasilakis and Mr Vandenberg for training, coaching and taking the boys to the various games and to our crowd of supporting students and parents who cheered loudly for us on the day.

Keep your heads up boys and be proud of this achievement ! We're all very proud of you.





Netball Girls Undefeated! 💪

The MVHS U15 Girls' Netball team convincingly won all 7 games at the Zone Netball Carnival at Frensham.

The girls were able to remain undefeated through teamwork and versatility in their playing positions.

Thanks to Year 11 student Jade Hines for umpiring all of our games and Mrs Rossi for organising and coaching the girls towards their success today. Well done to all involved !





Regional Cross Country 🏃 🏃

Eleven students travelled to Cambewarra to compete in the Regional Cross Country. All students performed well with our two youngest competitors Emma Kirkland and Willow Percival placing 11th and 12th, making them 1st and 2nd reserves for the State Carnival. Moment of the day went to Charlotte Withers, who was seen comforting her friend from afar, putting her friends needs before her own achievements.





Katrina Fanning Girls Rugby League

Six of our students competed in the Katrina Fanning Rugby League Gala Day at Eschol Park.

A huge thank you to Elizabeth MacArthur High School for allowing the girls to join their U/16s and U/18s team due to low numbers. Both teams were very successful with the U/16s finishing 3rd overall just missing out on the Grand Final by two tries in for and against points. The U/18's finished with 2 wins and a draw making them progress through to the Grand Final against Bass High School. Unfortunately, the team went down finishing 2nd place overall.

Thank you to Mrs Bunning for transporting and coaching our girls and well done to all the girls who attended today - many of them scored multiple tries and were absolute tackling machines!!

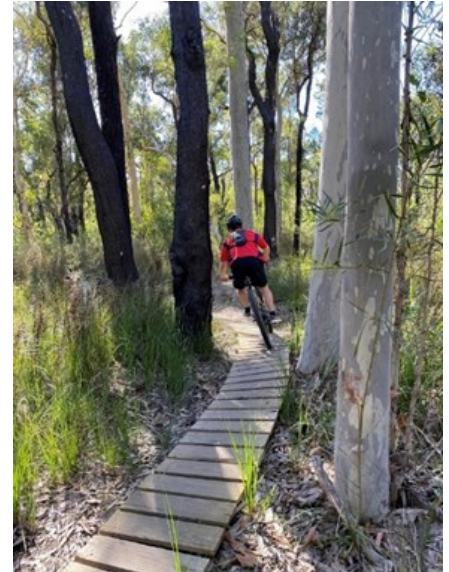




Coondoo Mountain Bike Classic 2023 🚴

An amazing day out for our Mountain Bike Team at the South Coast Coondoo classic in South Nowra. The 4 hour endurance event was a solid day out for our students. A huge congratulations goes to our Junior Mixed Team of Ruby Blake, Charlotte Withers and Elijah Vasilakis who placed Second in their division. A big thank you to parents for transporting students to the event. Thank you also to Mr Vasilakis and Mrs Cowen for accompanying our students.





Zone Athletics Carnival Results 🏆 🏆

Athletics results are in and there are some outstanding results. With so many amazing results and to keep this shorter, only **1st Place Achievers will be listed:**

Students Name	Event	Event	Event	Event	Event
Sophia Blake	100m				
Pearl Stravoskoufis	high jump	long jump	shot put		
Ruby Blake	100m	200m	400m	800m	long jump
Charlotte Withers	triple jump	discus	javelin		
April Rowley	100m	high jump			
Emma Turner	400m				
India Levings	long jump				
Holly Speechley	high jump				

Students Name	Event	Event	Event	Event	Event
Emily Harlor	javelin				
Neve Wallace	Javelin				
Keira Hol	high jump	discus	shot put		
Isaac Pemberton	high jump				
Lachlan McCullagh	high jump				

On top of these individual results we have **6 Relay Teams** progressing to the Regional Athletics Carnival. Their results at Zone were:

GIRLS	Age	Placing
	12 Years	2nd
	13 Years	3rd
	14 Years	2nd
	15 Years	3rd
	16 Years	1st
	17 Years	1st

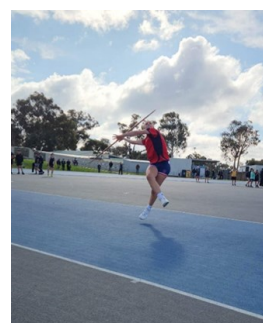
To top off these amazing results we have **3 Zone Age Champions**:

GIRLS	Age	Student Name
	13 Years	Pearl Stravoskoufis
	14 Years	Ruby Blake
	17 Years	Keira Hol

Congratulations to all our competitors on their efforts and achievements.

BREAKING NEWS!!

Charlotte Withers of Year 9 has broken a 23 year old record in the 14 Years Javelin. It was Charlottes first time throwing the 500g javelin and she has smashed the record by 3.92m with a distance of 33.93m. Amazing achievement!



Photographs of Zone Athletics Carnival





**Photographs
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Students' Achieve Individual Performances

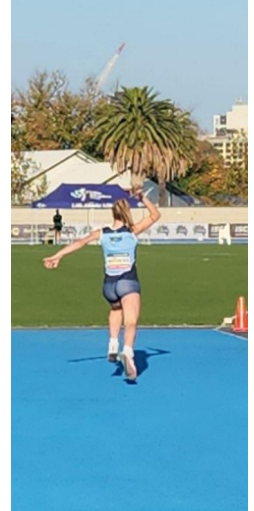
Term 2 also saw many of our students achieve individual performances.

Charlotte Withers -Year 9

Congratulations to Charlotte Withers, Year 9, who competed in the Australian Little Athletics Championships. Charlotte placed 3rd in the U14's Javelin, receiving a Bronze medal. She is now ranked 3rd in Australia.

Charlotte also achieved a new Personal Best of 39.26m. An amazing effort from this young lady.

Adding to Charlottes achievements this term, she has also been named in the U 14s Tigers Rugby League Squad.



Lilea Seville -Year 8

Congratulations to Lilea Seville of Year 8 who has also been named in the U14's Tiger Rugby League Squad.



Lillian Ragan - Year 10

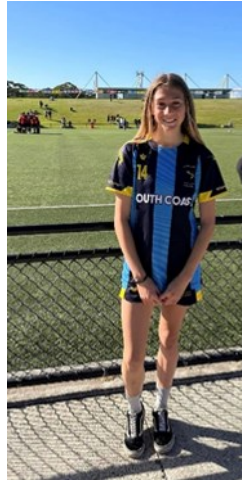
Lillian Ragan competed in the U16'S NSW SCH Basketball Championship in Albury and was lucky enough to meet Lauren Jackson on the first day of the competition.



April Rowley -Year 11

April represented the South Coast in the NSW CHSSA Football Championships at Cromer Park in Manly. April had a successful tournament gaining valuable experience which she will be able to take forward with her to next year.

A fantastic achievement in making the South Coast Team, well done April.



David Meynin -Year 11

Year 11 student David Meynin collected a swag of medals.

The 2 larger medals which David is wearing, are for winning First Place in the Autumn Cup NSW State Championships in the 89kg+ Gi and No Gi, Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu.

The 3 smaller medals, are First Place medals are for the Adult Open Weight Gi, Adult No Gi 91kg and Adult Gi 100kg+ Open Invitational Competition.

An outstanding effort by David!



NSW Hockey CHS Championships

Five of our students made the South Coast team playing at Kurnell, Sydney in early June at the NSW Hockey CHS Championships.

For the girls our South Coast representatives are Georgi Hurford, Torree Wilson, Bridget Connors and Lucy Nash.



Lucy Nash - Year 12



This term has been a busy one for Lucy who has been selected in a number of teams.

Lucy has been selected in the U18s NSW Team to play at the Australian Hockey Championships at Hobart in these coming holidays.

She has also been selected in the U21s NSW Hockey squad for 2023/24 and will be playing the NSW CHS team against the NSW Catholic and Independent Schools first day back next term in Newcastle.

Amazing achievements by Lucy!

Justin Murray - Year 9

Justin Murray of Year 9 played in the boys South Coast Hockey Team and was selected in the NSW team which will also play in Newcastle first week back of term 3.

Justin also recently represented NSW in the U15s Australian Championships in Darwin.

Fantastic effort by Justin.



That wraps up a very busy Term 2. Thank you to all the students who participated and the teachers who gave up their time to enable our students to attend events and achieve their best.

Next term we look forward to seeing our students participate in the Regional Athletics Carnival, the Boys and Girls Hockey Gala Day, Regional Boys and Girls Netball, Open Girls Softball and the U15s Boys and Girls Basketball.

Stay tuned for more amazing results. For more photos of our major events, like Athletics, head over to our facebook post.

D. Middleton
Sports Organiser



THANK YOU to
OUR MOSS VALE HIGH SCHOOL P & C
for their continued support to our school community



Model United Nations

On Saturday 13 May, students from Moss Vale High School competed against other local high schools in the Model United Nations competition run by our local Rotary group. MVHS had teams representing South Sudan and Egypt. They spent the day negotiating with other nations and making speeches recommending or condemning resolutions relating to a range of global issues. Our teams represented the school and their nations proudly.

Congratulations to participants Zahra Nasser, Alice McAlister, Fletcher Knight, Dixie Kumal and Asher Jansen. Thanks to Pic Phin and James Denman for their support of these students during preparation, and to Mia Gardiner for her help with research in the leadup to the day.

Ms Curtis

Please see overpage for Alice McAlister's report



A report by Alice McAlister of Year 11 on Model UN

Earlier this year on May 13th, Zahra and I had the amazing opportunity to participate in the Model United Nations Assembly. The United Nations is a gathering of world leaders who aim to maintain international peace and security, protect human rights, deliver humanitarian aid, support sustainable development and climate action. On the day we represented the county of Egypt. We spent the week leading up to the day extensively researching everything to do with Egypt and learning about their views and where they would stand in regard to the resolutions provided to us.

Prior to the day we had to research and write speeches to deliver on each resolution. On the day we as Egypt spoke about 5 different topics, however there were two that were very important to us. They were 'Preventing and combating crimes that affect the environment' and the 'Return or restitution of cultural property to the countries of origin'. We as Egypt moved these two resolutions as Egypt had just over 32 000 artefacts stolen from them over the past 50 years and specifically spoke about illicit wildlife trafficking as Egypt is known to be quite protective over their animals, specifically their cats. Overall, we argued well enough that both resolutions were eventually passed, and as the only team of 2 throughout the entire day, because we didn't have a researcher like the other teams did, we considered it a good win!!

Zahra and I had an amazing day and had lots of fun dressing up in cultural Egyptian fashion. We are stoked to have won best dressed on the day and to have gotten a special mention for our advanced use of language and well-presented speeches. Personally Model UN has significantly boosted my confidence when public speaking and Zahra and I both learnt so much.

Model UN is an awesome opportunity to represent our school and have some fun dressing up with your friends. We encourage anyone who is interested in world issues or public speaking to have a go next year. Alice and I can't wait to go back, and we hope to see some of you guys there too.

Thank you.



Technology Faculty- photo gallery

There has been a lot happening in Technology (TAS) this term. Here are a few examples.

Years 7 and 8

Students studying Materials – textiles have made felt from wool tops – this is quite a long process. They have then used their felt to design and make mobile phone cases.



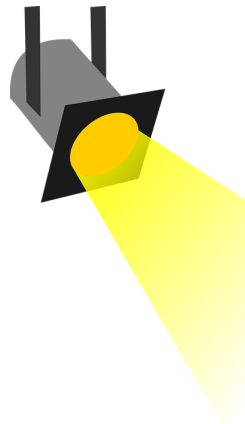
Years 9 and 10

Students studying Engineering have designed and made planes. The planes are flight tested on the power anchor. If their plane does not fly, they need to evaluate why, redesign and retest their plane. They have used the laser printer to make some of the parts for their plane.



Technology Year 11 and 12





Spotlight on HSIE

Year 10 History Exam

This year HSIE decided we would like Year 10 to sit an exam in the hall under exam conditions. This is vital practice for our students ahead of Stage 6. As usual our students were excellent, and many said they were nervous but realised it wasn't as intimidating as they thought.



Year 12 History HSC Study Day

This term our Year 12 Ancient, Modern and Extension History classes attended Sydney University for the HSC Study Day. This day is a much-anticipated annual event. The presentations were very helpful, and our students knowledge was consolidated.

*Mrs Randall
Head Teacher HSIE*



NSW Department of Education

Why attendance matters



When your child misses school they miss important opportunities to:



Learn



Build friendships



Develop life skills

Days missed = years lost

A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...

they miss weeks per year

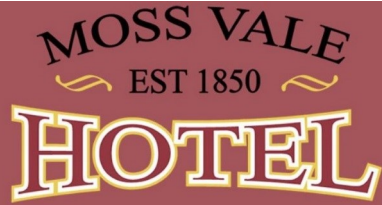
and years over their school life

1 day per **fortnight** = **4** weeks  = Over **1** year missed

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1 day per **week** = **8** weeks  = Over **2.5** years missed

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Mr John Payne, General Manager MV Hotel, for financial assistance towards our Year 12 2023 Life Ready Camp.

THANK YOU

Thank You!

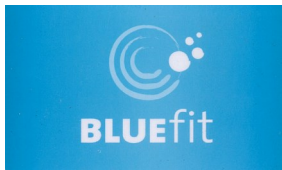


We would like to Thank the Management Staff of Domino's Moss Vale for their contribution toward our 2023 Year 12 Life Ready Camp.



THANK YOU

Moss Vale High School P&C would like to send a huge Thank You to franchisee owners of Harvey Norman for their generous donation of goods as prizes for our Mothers Day P & C Raffle. All money raised was assisted in the purchase of equipment in our school hall.



Thank you to Taniika Martin from Blue Fitness Gym Financial assistance towards our Year 12 2023 Life Ready Camp.

Lions Club of Moss Vale

Following the Lions Club of Moss Vale BBQ on Friday 12 May 2023, the Committee generously donated \$1,500 to our schools Duke of Education Program.



Left: Kirrilly Rumble with IGA staff and MVLions Club Members



Above not in order: Ben Graham (Owner of IGA Moss Vale,), Tony Carrick (Manager), Charles Kennaway (MV Lions Club Vice President), Robyn Cooksley (Member of MV Lions Club), Jen Cooksley



Uniform Clothing Pool

Do you have any uniforms that are in good condition and no longer required?

We have a second-hand uniform clothing pool that would greatly appreciate any donations. Washed items can be given to the administration office. All proceeds from items sold go to our Support Unit.