Term 1 Week 3

Monday, 8 February 2016

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Faculty In Focus-HSIE

Learning in the HSIE classes is off to a flying start in 2016. Our new teacher, Ms Gillian Halstead is exploring the nature of Geography with Year 7 through the interaction of the physical and human elements of our world.

Year 9 are examining the Australian continent through the physical characteristics that make our continent unique. Ms Halstead will also guide them through our natural hazards such as bushfires, droughts, floods and storms, a topic which some of our students will be all too familiar.

Year 10 will look at geographical issues such as air quality, land and water management and waste management. Students will examine an issue in detail and develop a Research Action Plan.

Meanwhile in History Year 8 is studying the Black Death! Mrs Curtis and Ms Gregson are guiding the students through the study of one of the world’s worst pandemics that claimed as many as 25 million lives. Ms Gregson’s Year 9 class is studying the Industrial Revolution and Year 10 is studying The Holocaust.

All classes are working on essential writing skills, writing well-structured paragraphs and essays. These skills will stand them in good stead for the HSC.
Neuroplasticity is the brain’s ability to change in response to stimuli and experience.

No longer is it believed that intelligence or IQ is fixed. Current research shows that intelligence is malleable and can be increased through effort.

Here at Canowindra High School we encourage students to have a growth mindset. Through challenging their limiting thoughts and instead believing that learning is boundless and like a muscle - it continues to strengthen the more it is used.

The mottos of students who display muscle thinking are:

- *Success comes with application.*
- *No matter how good you are at something, you can always improve.*
- *If you have to try, you must be learning.*
- *Always try; that way you have more chance of success and making progress.*
- *No pain, no gain!*
This Wednesday 10 February is the Canowindra High School Swimming Carnival.

An information note went home to parents at the end of last week. Students are to meet at the pool for roll call at 9am. Bus travellers will get off at the public school and walk to the pool. Students will be dismissed at 3.10pm so they can get to their bus, all other students will remain at the pool until 3.24pm.

Entry to the pool is $2.60 for non season ticket holders.

Please note that although the pool canteen will be operational, it will be supplying limited food varieties. Students can bring a packed lunch if they prefer or Sue will be offering a pre-order through the school canteen. These must be ordered and paid for by lunchtime tomorrow.

As very warm weather is predicted students should wear a hat put on lots of sunscreen and drink plenty of water.

HOUSE CAPTAINS 2016

HALL
Seniors: Captains - Rhys Maere
Vice Captains - Ciaran Etty
Juniors: Captains - Hayden Cummings
Vice Captains - Simon Budden

Amelia Holmes
Nikita Currey
Josie Clements
Seraphin Keedle

GARDINER
Seniors: Captains - Will Middleton
Vice Captains - Riley Frost/Mitchell Stanley
Juniors: Captains - Jamie Austin
Vice Captains - Hudson Izzard

Ashley McLean
Meg Austin
Tess Chester-Freckl
Ellie Dicton

GILBERT
Seniors: Captains - Lachlan Balcombe
Vice Captains - John Mallon
Juniors: Captains - Wade Kinsela
Vice Captains - Bailey Scifleet

Jo Balcombe
Sitha Ncube
Belle Wallace
Anika Macela

Year 12 University of Wollongong Excursion

On Wednesday and Thursday of last week Year 12 students travelled to Wollongong to attend the University of Wollongong’s Discovery Day Program. This program is aimed at Year 12 students interested in future university study by providing them with an insight into student life including enrolment, subject selection and the experience of attending university classes in their areas of interest.

Students would like to thank Mr Phelan and Miss Davis for organising and accompanying them on this excursion.
**School Newsletter**

If you would like the school newsletter emailed to you, an electronic version of the school Newsletter is available please contact the school to be added to the 2016 distribution list. The newsletter is also uploaded onto the Facebook page (please like our page for updates on what’s happening in our school) and the Canowindra High School Website.

Anyone turning 14 or 15 years old this year born in 2001 or 2002 are invited to attend representative trials for the Under 14’s and Under 15’s representative teams for the 2016 season. Representative trials for these age groups will take place on Wednesday 10th February 2016 from 5-6pm at the netball courts located at Col Stinson Park Cowra.

**Violin, Viola or Cello Lessons and Drama Club**

Qualified music and drama teacher in Canowindra will be offering lessons for kids and adults in violin, viola or cello on Tuesday afternoon commencing in term 1. Also a Drama Club will start on Mondays from 3.30 - 5pm in term 1 - all welcome!

**Clothing Pool**

Canowindra High School operates a clothing pool which is available to families to purchase pre-worn uniforms that are in good condition.

Currently the clothing pool has very little stock available. Families that may have old uniforms that students have grown out of and would like to donate to the school would be much appreciated.

**Canowindra Tennis**

Canowindra Tennis Club is running a doubles competition on Thursday nights from 6pm $50 per player. High School Students are welcome to play.

Contact Kylie Pull 0427618340 to register your team.

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### What’s On

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**Term 1**

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**Swimming Carnival-Whole School**

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**Year10 Scripture P4**  
**SRC info session Period 3,4 CR2**  
**SRC Nominations**

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### Assessments Due

#### Week 3A  
**Term 1**

Yr 12– Visual Arts (1)

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#### Week 4B  
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