WORLD of MATHS IS COMING!

At the beginning of the term in 2014, the acclaimed World of Maths expo will be visiting Canowindra High School. This well-known hands-on set of activities, gives students the chance to see Mathematics in a different light; competing against others in groups or individually in a wide array of fun and engaging activities.

- 17 Interactive Activities for Senior Grades (Years 7 – 8)
- Another 17 different Interactive Activities for Junior Grades

World of Maths is a unique traveling maths show that provides fun, colourful, hands-on, mathematical, problem solving activities for student participation in school visits since 1990.

The activities or “displays” have been invented/designed and manufactured by World of Maths and therefore would not be found anywhere else in the world.

The program has been designed to cater for all abilities with 34 activities covering ages from 5 to 14 years.

Students from Year 6 at Canowindra Public School will be joining in the fun on the day. Permission notes including costs will be distributed later during the week. All students in Years 7 & 8 are expected to attend in what will be an exciting opportunity. See any of the Maths faculty for further details.
Monday, 2 December 2013

Principal’s News

Congratulations to our Year 8 students on a very successful excursion to Kiama. Feedback from the staff which attended was that each and every student was an excellent ambassador for our school and community.

Congratulations also to our under 15 cricketers on their success against West Wyalong last Wednesday. The boys showed great determination achieving a comfortable win of six wickets. Their next match is an away game in Grenfell against the Henry Lawson High School next Wednesday and we wish them the same success.

Last week our deputy principal, Miss Nicole Bugeja, was successful at interview in gaining appointment as Principal of Yeoval Central School. This is wonderful news for Nicole and well deserved after two years performing this role. On behalf of our school community I wish her every success knowing that she will do an exceptional job as she did in our school. For our school, Nicole’s appointment means we will advertise early next year to fill the position.

This Thursday we will celebrate this term’s many successes of our students with our final term assembly for the year. The number of awards being given is amazing and typifies the outstanding effort our students consistently make across multiple areas – positive recognition, attendance, mock interviews and external competitions. Congratulations to all recipients.

I would like to remind parents that there will be two hours of industrial action on Tuesday morning commencing at 9am. Although the majority of staff will be participating in this action the school will remain open with minimal supervision for students. Any student who travels to school by bus will be expected to remain at school during this time. A roll call and assembly will be held at 11:20am followed by normal timetabled lessons for the remainder of the day. I apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

Congratulations to Sid Duff and John Mallon the winners of last week’s canteen voucher.

Neryle Smurthwaite
Principal

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Social City Vs Country

Thursday 5th December from 7-9.30pm

Where? JSMH

Dress up prizes!

Hot dogs, chocolates and chips all $2.00

Buy tickets First half of lunch $6
On Friday 22nd November, members of the school were involved in an activity called the “Sleep out”, raising money for “Youth off the Streets”. The students took part in many activities throughout the evening. When I arrived we had to get into year groups where we were given “trash” such as boxes, cardboard and bubble wrap, things that homeless people would have to use to create shelters, which is exactly what we had to do. Each year group came up with a shelter very unique and different from the other year groups. The Year 10 group were considered the most imaginative their shelter was an apartment, complete with a window box and the quintessential outdoor dunny!!

Having created our beds for the night we proceeded outside where we played a fun game of twilight soccer and ping pong. The Year 10 Food Technology class generously prepared our dinner, sweet and sour chicken, way above soup kitchen standard I’m sure! We all ate together outside and were lucky to be blessed with a balmy evening.

Fun and games continued; we played 44 home, hopscotch and drew on the basketball court with chalk, making our mark. The night didn’t end there though. We were invited back into the hall where we were given a very interesting talk from a former homeless street kid called Pete which was both very touching and moving for many people. “The Sapphires” was then put on for the students and teachers to watch but many people found themselves wandering back out to play hide and seek in the dark with the teachers which was a great laugh.

Although it took a while for very hyperactive students to get to sleep, it was a great night that everybody enjoyed. Being new to the school, I was happy that I was involved in something that was going to such a fantastic cause. It was a great turnout and will be a very successful event in the future.

We would like to thank Toby Newcombe of Belubula Meats and Johnny Lawrence of the IGA for their donations which was greatly appreciated and their contributions helped with this worthy cause. Altogether we raised $571.

Madeline Troth & Annie Elliott

Worldskills Hospitality Regional Competition

On Thursday 28th Codie Berroya, Year 11 Hospitality student took part in the Regional Worldskills competition, held at St John’s College, Dubbo. Competing against 18 other Year 11 students, from both the public and private sectors, Codie displayed his talents to three culinary judges.

Codie had to prepare a 3 course meal (4 serves of each course) to industry standards within a 4 hour timeframe, to guests invited by the school to their restaurant.

Codie performed extremely well in the new kitchen environment, showing that being prepared proved to be a great benefit when working against the clock.

As you can see by the photos, Codie not only looks professional but he impressed the judges with his clean work practices and skills.
Term 4 - Week 9

School Assembly

This Thursday 5 December, is the Term 4 Assembly. Please note a change of time for this assembly, which will be commencing at 9.40am in the Jack Sherwin Memorial Hall. All parents and friends are welcome to attend and there will be a morning tea following the assembly in the staff common room.

IMPORTANT DATES

- Presentation Night is Tuesday 17 December 2013 at the Jack Sherwin Memorial Hall commencing at 7pm
- Last Day for all students this year is Wednesday 18th of December, 2013.
- Schools resumes in 2014 for students in Year 7, 11, 12 on Wednesday 29th January and Year 8, 9, 10 on Thursday 30th January

LIBRARY NEWS

A reminder to all students that Wednesday, 4th December is the last day books can be borrowed from the library for this year. ALL BOOKS NEED TO BE RETURNED BY THE END OF WEEK 10. When you return your book you will receive a raffle ticket in a $5 canteen voucher prize.

All students who have borrowed a book this term will be entered into the draw to win a book of their own choosing. The draw will occur on the morning assembly in Week 10.

LIBRARIAN’S CHOICE

Fault in our Stars by John Green is rapidly gaining a cult following. It is difficult to treat the subject matter of terminal illnesses in children in a sensitive and humourous way but Green has managed to do this and has created a brilliant read that I found difficult to put down.

SENIORS FACE DANGER IN THE LIBRARY!

If these seniors had known there was a suicide bomber in their midst, they may have been more alarmed. Thankfully he was later disarmed by some passing Year 7 French students!

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