

Byron Bay High School

Newsletter

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Term 3 - Week 3

Dear Parents and Carers,

Term 3 Assemblies

Our assembly program in term three has involved two very special occasions to date. In week 2 the school community gathered to recognise Lighthouse students - the highest achievement in the Byron Bay High School reward system. Students in Years 7 - 11 who have reached Lighthouse level were presented with certificates. Music and dance students performed for the audience.

This week we held our annual NAIDOC Assembly, in 2016 we incorporated the theme "Songlines" to this event. Local indigenous people and Byron Bay High School students offered a range of performances including music, dance and storytelling. This event was very well supported by the local indigenous community and a lot of work by Ms Lowe and other staff culminated in an outstanding recognition and celebration of NAIDOC. We especially thank local indigenous leaders who participated in this event.

Year 11 2017 Subject Selections

The process for Year 11 2017 subject selections is now well underway. This week students and their families have attended an information evening and individual career counselling sessions to assist in this important process. As always we encourage students to think deeply about these choices and to select subjects they enjoy and are good at. Selections must be finalised online this weekend, please return your selection printout sheet from the online process to Mr Lee by 9 am Monday 8 August.

Okutama Visit

This term we have been hosting our sister school from Japan. This annual cultural exchange is a wonderful opportunity for students from both countries to learn for each other about different cultures. Once again we thank the very generous host families in our community who have taken a Japanese student into their homes. We also thank the staff and students of Okutama High School for their visit. We look forward to our next reciprocal visit to Japan!

Cambodia 2017

We are very pleased to announce that we will travel to Cambodia in September / October 2017 to build houses and see the cultural sights. There are four places left on this activity for students in our current Year 9 or 10. If you are interested in one of these places contact the school office soon!

Mr Mark Smith
Deputy Principal

What's Coming Up!

WEEK 4

8 - 11 August

Year 11 Hospitality Work Placement

8 August (Day 5)

Distance Education Study Day

9 August (Day 6)

10 August (Day 7)

Year 7 2017 Edmodo Presentation Day

11 August (Day 1)

Year 8 Parent/Subject info night 7pm

Brisbane EKKA

North Coast Athletics - Lismore

12 August (Day 2)

WEEK 5

Year 12 Trial exams

15 August (Day 3)

16 August (Day 4)

ADFA Presentation

17 August (Day 5)

18 August (Day 6)

Brainstorm Productions

19 August (Day 7)

21 - 26 August - Year 11 Snow Trip

Payments Now Due

EKKA - \$40

Year 12 Legal Studies day - \$25

Year 12 Farm Study Day - \$30

Cambodia instalment by end T3 - \$800

Italy instalment by end of T3 - \$700

School Fees



Member of the Lighthouse Valley

The Future is Ours

Byron Bay High School stand proudly on the traditional land of the Arakwal people of the Bundjalung Nation

Sydney Extension History Excursion

At the end of last term, the Year 12 Extension History class attended the HSC History Study Days at University of Sydney. The event was organised by the History Teachers' Association of NSW, and involved three days of history lectures covering course material from modern history, ancient history and extension history.

Students flew down Wednesday night after school and returned Saturday night. We attended four 1.5hour lectures per day. All the lecturers were experienced teachers and markers of the HSC, some of whom actually wrote the syllabus! The lectures covered specific syllabus content, tips around effective study techniques, and direct feedback from the HSC Marking Centre. As such, the Study Days provided invaluable assistance to students preparing for their upcoming HSC exams.

When students were asked what they most got out of the trip, responses included:

Catherine Doyle - "It was great to learn in a different environment and consolidate our knowledge learnt at school."

Teel Howard - "I am doing 5 units of history – ancient, modern and extension. It has greatly helped me with all of my subjects!"

Tasarla Kennedy - "It further fuelled my passion for history and helped with HSC revision. It also gave us a glimpse of university life - somewhere where many of us aspire to go next year."

Studying by day and sight-seeing by night, we certainly made the most of our time in Sydney. On the Thursday night we did some shopping at Paddy's Market before heading down to China Town for dinner. The following night we caught the train down to Circular Quay and watched the Vivid Light Festival – the largest light displays in the Southern Hemisphere! We walked around the Opera House and the Botanical Gardens, and also took a ferry cruise to Darling Harbour so we could view the light displays from the water.

This was all made possible by funds received through the Remote Schools Subsidy Grant. We submitted an application and were fortunate to be accepted and offered \$1000 which helped cover transport, accommodation and Study Day costs. The grant is quite hard to get and is only offered to eight rural/remote schools in the state each year. This was the first time Byron Bay High School has attended such event and the students benefited greatly from the experience.



Being Proactive!

Students of Byron Bay High School are continuing to work for a better world by investigating our own behaviour. The student body as a whole has identified our beautiful natural environment and the proximity to the beach as some of the most treasured aspects of the school. As a result the SRC has teamed up with North East Waste and Byron Shire Council to conduct a waste audit within the school. Results from the audit will be available soon and will be used to continue to educate, inform and instil a greater awareness of our own patterns of waste production and how best to care for our world.

Mr Drew Minton, HSIE Teacher and SRC Coordinator



Second hand Uniforms

If you have any second hand uniforms in good/washed condition that you no longer require you can donate them to our uniform shop and they will be sold for just \$5. Thank you.

Byron Bay High School Parent Portal

Don't forget to login to the Parent Portal - we are upgrading it all the time. You will find your child's report, timetable, attendance, newsletters and booklet associated directly with your child's years. If you need help logging on please do not hesitate to contact us on 6685 8188.

Byron Bay High School P&C

The parents and citizens association meet on the third Tuesday of every school term month from 7 to 8.30 pm in the school library. All parents and care givers are welcome to attend. The meetings provide an informal opportunity to engage the school principals, teachers and other parents/caregivers and discuss important issues for the school and its students. Any enquires please email bbhsbandc@gmail.com. Previous meeting minutes can be found at www.byronbay-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/quick-links



Bay FM and Byron Bay High School Podcast

A fantastic piece of journalism by our Year 10 students. What's next? A podcast by Byron High students:
<https://soundcloud.com/bayfm/whats-next>

Many thanks to Will from Bay FM for his leadership

Byron News Article - 'Student's look at what's next': <http://m.byronnews.com.au/news/students-look-at-whats-next/3057586/?ref=hs>

Letter received from Will (Bay FM)

Thank you for the opportunity to have been a part of this. You guys have touched my life in unique and special ways. I've worked with youth from a few schools now, and I can honestly say, I've not found a place with the kinds of bonds I've witnessed here.

The friendships you've formed in these halls will serve you well in your life. You may not know it yet, but there will be bonds you've formed at this school that will be part of your life forever ... you'll be at each other's weddings, you'll be god-parents to each others kids, you'll console each other when there are life's inevitable losses - you will be there for each other through the highs and the lows of life.

And you will draw on so many of the skills that you've learned here. At this school, you've been trained by your coaches and you've been tested by your teachers to understand the world and the amazing role you're going to play in it.

All of this has prepared you for the world that needs you ...

Things are changing so quickly. 150 million emails every minute. We didn't even have emails when I was your age. Snap chat - 1 billion videos a day.

The world is changing.

As you go forward you'll encounter people that challenge your bravery.

And along the way, there will be people that tell you that something can't be done – they might tell you you're wrong or weird. At these moments, remember ... naysayers never change the world. Courageous people do.

Courage is contagious. Courage is a muscle that you exercise within your head, and when you encounter a block, or you're feeling fearful, whichever emotion you choose to feed will ultimately determine your life. In this way, you are the architect of your own life. And everytime you choose courage, you'll inspire countless others that you won't even know who they are.

So - find the friends who help you find your bravery, who help you become the best version of yourself. Find the friends who believe in you - those that help you express your talents and your dreams. Have courage, exercise that muscle. see beyond the limitations. The world needs you - the world needs your talents and your passions - the world needs you to become the best version of yourself.

And what I can say after walking these halls over the last month and a half - you guys are so well prepared for this world. So I join with your parents, your coaches, your teachers and your friends in saying ... I cannot wait to see the world you create ... the world needs you. Thank you



Career Video

Making smart subject and career choices

The NCDW Video Series - Career Development puts the YOU in your career. This video details how to make the very important school subject choices and post school course choices Video 2 of 4: Making smart subject and course choices. (10:08 min).

Mr Brian O'Connor, Careers Advisor

New Library Resources

Fiction

A Handful of Stars
 A Pocketful of Murder
 A Toaster on Mars
 Assassin
 Dreaming the Bear
 Echo
 Fear Street Super Thriller:
 party games and don't stay up late
 Front Lines
 Game Theory
 Gorilla Dawn
 Jessica's Ghost
 Johnny Delgado
 Lifers
 Me and Earl and the Dying Girl
 Messenger of Fear
 Mrs Whitlam
 Night of the Kraken
 One Would Think the Deep
 Red Butterfly
 Rules for Stealing Stars
 Skyfire
 Sophie Someone
 The Bombs that Brought us Together
 The Book of Pearl
 The Double Axe The Green Bicycle
 The Last Star
 The Many Worlds of Albie Bright
 The Nest
 The Ocean of Time
 The OMG Blog
 The Other Side of Summer
 The Pearl-shell Diver: a story of adventure
 from the Torres Strait
 You Know Me Well

Non-Fiction

50 Races to Run Before You Die
 All About Religion
 Digital Photography: complete photographer
 Imperial Roman Warships 27 BC-197 AD
 Living in a Sustainable Way: green communities
 Magical Illusions, Conjuring Tricks, Amazing Puzzles &
 Stunning Stunts
 Malala Yousafzai: education campaigner
 Paint Me a Poem: new poems inspired by paintings and
 sculptures in the Tate
 Protest in Australia: what do we want?
 Stressed Out! For Teens: how to be calm, confident,
 and focused
 The Voices Project: all good things
 The World in Conflict:
 understanding the world's trouble spots

Biographies:

The Bauhinia Tree : Kankawa Nagarra Olive Knight
 City Girl, Country Girl : the inspiring true stories
 of courageous women forging new lives in the
 Australian bush
 Walking Towards Ourselves:
 Indian women tell their stories

Series:

City of Orphans: 2. A Very Peculiar Plague
 1. Mutant City
 2. Mutant Rising
The 5th Wave: 3. The Last Star
 Talon Saga: 1. Talon
 2. Rogue
 Waterfire Saga: 1. Deep Blue

Picture Books:

Where's the Wookiee?



SAE's Byron Bay campus is holding its Open Day for 2016 on Saturday August 6 from 11am - 3pm.

The day will be an action-packed event with demonstrations, industry experts, campus tours and plenty of friendly SAE staff to answer any questions students from your school may have.

Attendees can play with all of the latest industry tools, including our synth units and Ableton live demos, as well as seeing how music is made in various studio environments from recording through to mixing and mastering.

Byron Bay - Child Safe Seminar - 25 August 2016

Do you work or volunteer with children and need to know more about child safe practices? The Office of the Children's Guardian is running a free workshop that can help you to understand and implement Child Safe principles in your workplace.

The session is being held at the Cavanbah Centre, 249 Ewingsdale Road, Byron Bay from 10 am to 1pm.

Participants will learn about:

- Creating a child safe culture
- Situational Prevention and effective risk management
- Obligations under the Working With Children Check
- Complaints management techniques.

Participants will receive a workbook with helpful information and templates. Like to know more? Visit our website www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au to view other available sessions.

All Inclusive Girl's Club in Byron Bay

We are offering a Study Group / Tutoring session for free on Wednesday afternoons 4-5:30 at our Clubhouse 24 Marvell Street, Byron. The sessions will be run by a qualified secondary teacher who has generously offered her time. Hannah is a qualified and experienced secondary school teacher. Hannah has taught Year 7 through to Year 12 exclusively and has an extensive range of experience in all subjects.

The Study Sessions will be structured and productive, but also a nurturing and non-judgmental space where girls can feel truly supported in their learning. The sessions will assist not only with specific school work, but also organisation, study skills, time management. Starting 27th July!!! Hope to see you there!!

For more information email info@futuresdreamers.com.au or go to website: www.futuresdreamers.com.au

Term 3 - Week 4 Canteen Roster

Reminder for canteen helpers:

Monday 8 August	<i>Help needed</i>
Tuesday 9 August	<i>Help needed</i>
Wednesday 10 August	No help required
Thursday 11 August	<i>Help needed</i>
Friday 12 August	<i>Help needed</i>

Phone 6685 5381 or email byronbay-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au if you would like to volunteer.

Uniform Shop Roster - 8.30 to 9.30 Wednesdays

Complete an order form from our website email or fax it back to us and we'll deliver it to your child.

10 August	Claire Smith and Joelle Baker
17 August	Sue Davenport and Kim Pollock
24 August	Claire Smith and Melissa Tysoe
31 August	Sue Davenport and Joan Hazlett
7 September	Claire Smith and Joelle Baker
14 September	Sue Davenport and Joan Hazlett
21 September	Claire Smith and Kim Pollock





You are invited to the
SCU Parent Information Evening

If your child is in Year 12 and considering Southern Cross University, join us at this free event where you can gain helpful insights into the journey from high school to university and beyond. There will be plenty of time to ask questions and seek the information that will assist in preparing you for this exciting new chapter.

Wednesday 31 August 2016

Southern Cross University Lismore campus
 Military Road, Lismore
 Manning Clark Room, Learning Centre (*Goodman Plaza*)

5pm - 7pm

5pm – Registration and refreshments
 5.30pm – Information session
 6.30pm – Information stand and optional campus tour

The following topics will be covered in the presentation and are relevant to study at Southern Cross University Lismore, Coffs Harbour and Gold Coast campuses:

- University entry – QTAC/UAC, STAR Early Entry, ATAR, Bonus points
- Course selection
- Tuition fees and HECS-HELP
- Scholarships
- Support services and careers
- Student perspective – Q&A panel with current SCU students

Parking:

Free parking is available in the carpark adjacent the security gatehouse at the Military Road entry.

Registration:

To assist with catering planning, please register your attendance by Friday 26 August 2016. *Only one parent/family member needs to register and advise the number of guests attending with you in the registration process.* Register via [Eventbrite](https://www.eventbrite.com) or through our events list at www.scu.edu.au/futurestudents/events

We look forward to welcoming you on campus.

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This free, 6 week support group for parents of teenagers will provide you with skills, experience and knowledge based on mindfulness and the latest findings in neuro-science and attachment theory to support your teenager to develop emotional and social intelligence and a sound moral compass which will guide them throughout adulthood

- Understand the changes that your teenager is undergoing and your role as parents to provide what they need for optimal development.
- Choose a parenting style to effectively help your teenager to grow into a healthy, productive, responsible, creative and independent adult.
- Develop communication skills to manage tension points and effectively provide a role model for social competence and healthy relationships.
- Learn how to protect your teenager against the risks of adolescence such as depression, anxiety, alcohol and drug abuse, poor impulse control, eating disorders and develop resilience to life's challenges.
- Learn practical strategies to manage problem behaviours and set limits and boundaries assertively.
- Know how to handle the difficult conversations to keep them safe.
- Cultivate a mindful approach to your parenting which will help you develop more self-awareness and give you more choices in how you respond.
- Develop strategies to take care of your own wellbeing.

Info & Bookings

Ayla Garlick 0448 559 968



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Connected Communities!



**Second
Saturday
each month
8am-1pm**

**STALLS
available**

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