Welcome back to what will be a fast and furious term (hopefully the boys will relate to this terminology) and I trust all our families had a satisfying break.

We welcome to our staff Ms Leanne Roobol our new Director of Music and Ms Leasa Cleaver who will teach Drama as well as Middle School home room teacher. We also welcome back Veronica Waters to the Junior School after a term's Long Service Leave.

As a foretaste of the business of this term the recent holidays were jam packed with activities involving TAS staff and students.

Mr Michael Ball and the Cattle Team represented the school in an exemplary manner at the Sydney Royal Easter Show, Rev Richard Newton and Mrs Jo Benham led a group of boys on the annual KYCK Convention at Katoomba, and TAS played host to over three thousand parents and rugby players at the TAS Rugby Carnival during the first weekend of the holidays. Of this latter event, special mention must be made of the efforts of our parent volunteers from the P&F and the TAS Rugby Supporters Group and in particular the work of Mr Greig Stier, Mrs Sandra Kaynes and Mrs Tanya Coldham for the extraordinary hours of dedicated service that they provided to the school.

There were TAS students riding as a school group in the “Tour de Rocks” supported by Mr Ralph Hunt and Mr Geoff Derrin; Mr Luke Polson and Mrs Anna Gayner escorted a group of Middle School students on the Young Round Square Conference in Auckland, and Rev Richard Newton and Mr Mark Taylor took the 1st XI football team on a five day development tour to Melbourne where they played three games and attended and participated in a training session with coaches from Melbourne Heart FC.

My thanks go out to all of the staff and students who participated in those activities during what is supposedly their break after a very busy term. I know there have been other TAS students involved in other activities recently and I am waiting to here from them about their experiences.

Just a reminder to the TAS community that the school Anzac Service takes place at 7.00 am tomorrow morning. Our special guest is Squadron Leader Scott Harris who is a recent old boy of the school and we eagerly anticipate his address. In the case of inclement weather, the ceremony will be held in the Memorial Hall.
**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**Week 1**

**Wednesday 30 April**  
6.30pm Evening Prayer

**Thursday 1 May**  
7.00am TAS ANZAC Ceremony (Adamfield)

**Friday 2 May**  
Junior School Cross Country
UNE Open Day

**Saturday 3 May**  
9.00am Old Boys Meeting

**Sunday 4 May**  
Harpischord recital at Kellys Plains Church

**Week 2**

**Monday May 5**  
**Excursion Week**
Years 11/12 Exam Week  
Year 10 to Canberra  
Year 9 to Yarrahapinni  
Year 8 Excursion week to Sydney  
Year 6 to Mosman Prep  
Year 5 to Myuna Bay

**Tuesday May 6**  
Years 11/12 Exam Week  
Year 10 to Canberra  
Year 9 to Yarrahapinni  
Year 8 Excursion week to Sydney  
Year 7 depart for Pindari Dam  
Year 6 to Mosman Prep  
Year 5 to Myuna Bay  
Year 4 depart for Lake Keepit

**Wednesday May 7**  
Years 11/12 Exam Week  
Year 10 to Canberra  
Year 9 to Yarrahapinni  
Year 8 Excursion week to Sydney  
Year 7 depart for Pindari Dam  
Year 6 to Mosman Prep  
Year 5 to Myuna Bay  
Year 4 depart for Lake Keepit

**Thursday May 8**  
Excursion Week continues

**Friday 9 May**  
Excursion Week concludes

**Saturday May 10**  
GPS Athletics

**Sunday May 11**  
11.00am Service at Kellys Plains Church

**Week 3**

**Tuesday May 13**  
NAPLAN Testing

**Wednesday May 14**  
NAPLAN Testing  
6.30 pm Evening Prayer

**Thursday May 15**  
NAPLAN Testing  
MTA Assessment Day (Year 12)

**Friday May 16**  
Year 8 Maths Day  
NSW Boarding Schools Expo (Dubbo)

**Saturday May 17**  
Rugby vs Kinross at Coonabarabran  
NSW Boarding Schools Expo (Dubbo)

**Week 4**

**Monday May 19**  
Metals Work Placement (Year 12) all week

**Tuesday May 20**  
Board Meeting  
Metals Work Placement (Year 12)

**Wednesday May 21**  
Metals Work Placement (Year 12)  
Maths Olympiad (Year 5)  
7.00 pm P&F Meeting

**Thursday May 22**  
Metals Work Placement (Year 12)

**Friday May 23**  
Metals Work Placement (Year 12)  
4.00 pm TAS Rugby vs Farrer at Farrer  
Foundation AGM

**Saturday May 24**  
TAS Company Members AGM

**Sunday May 25**  
CIS Football Trials in Sydney  
Hawkesbury Canoe Classic  
Familiarisation Paddle - Malpas Dam  
6.00 pm Boarders to St Peter’s Cathedral
The TAS Community Tries and Scores!

I would like to add enormous thanks from the Development Office to the wider TAS community of staff, parents, Old Boys, rugby supporters, past parents and students who with their collective passion and energy made the TAS Rugby Carnival 2014 such a success. It is the largest event of the year for the school and an opportunity to invite others to witness what makes this school so special, and it was on show everywhere that weekend.

While there are too many to single out and thank individually in TAS Talks, there are a number of groups who collectively need recognition. Without the organisational drive and hard work of the P&F executives past and present, the ever-enthusiastic, barbecuing experts of TAS Rugby Supporters Group, the world’s most extraordinary grounds, housekeeping and kitchen staff, the amazing and dedicated TAS teachers and coaches, the keen-handed community service boys and every cake-baking, stall managing, tuck-shop-rostered parent, this enormous weekend would never have been possible. To you all we extend heartfelt, sincere and most genuine thanks.

In its 10th year now, this extraordinary weekend event has grown to 49 teams and is the showcase of so much that TAS values and aspires toward; school spirit and pride, positive participation, sportsmanship both on and off the field, humility, grace and community enrichment.

You all picked up the ball and ran with it! Thank you.
Media

It may have been school holidays but the breadth of TAS life was very visible in local, regional and national media during the holidays.

The TAS Rugby Carnival received excellent publicity, and on the Saturday afternoon of the carnival ABC Radio's Debbie Spillane interviewed TAS Director of Co-Curricular for the national Grandstand program which was aired across Australia.

Regional television and radio and print media from two states also ran articles about the carnival.

Here's a sample:

**Bill Pulver excited by the TAS Rugby Carnival** (footage thanks to Year 10 student Jock Campbell)

NBN TV


**Bill Pulver praises TAS for exceptional junior rugby event - Prime TV**


**Southport takes main division of TAS Rugby Carnival - Armidale Express**


**The Nerang Bulls made their own movie about how much they look forward to the carnival each year**

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Awo87le1WsE

**TAS Anzac Guard**

The TAS Anzac Guard was featured in several publications in the lead up to, and on, Anzac Day. This included the cover story of last week’s Express Extra.

Nicholas Murray ponders the fate of TAS students and teachers who fought in wars as he prepares to perform in the guard for Anzac Day:


NBN News story on the main Armidale Anzac Service


**Harrison Abey's fantastic video of the TAS Guard preparing for and performing their duties on Anzac Day**

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-WgZOF-iPo4

**Tour de Rocks**

Then there was Tour de Rocks. Sunrise7's weatherman James Tobin interviewed Clarrie Butcher and other members of the TAS team riding in Tour de Rocks for the 6.30am live cross from Civic Park to the Sydney studios last week to an estimated audience of 300,000 viewers - TAS banners were also visible in the footage of the start. Sunrise re-tweeted TAS coverage of the interview and race start and this was seen by more than 100,000 of Sunrise's Twitter followers. Hopefully footage of these crosses can be made available for us to share on the website and be stored in our media archives.

**Tour de Rocks article from The Armidale Express**


Social Media

All of this activity and more (including photos from the Cattle Team at Sydney Show, scores from the First XI Football tour to Victoria etc) is documented on the Official TAS Facebook page (www.facebook.com/TASarmidale) so please ‘Like’ the page if you have a Facebook account.

Facebook is a fantastic way of promoting school activities and student achievements that otherwise may not make the mainstream media as well as those that do. And if you are on Twitter, please follow @TASarmidale.
First and foremost a sincere Thank You to everyone who contributed in any way to the catering of the TAS Rugby Carnival. Coordinated by Sandra Kaynes and ably assisted by Tanya Coldham, the catering was again conducted seamlessly and contributed in no small way to the overall success of this amazing event.

From the Community Service boys who were worth their weight in gold for all the lifting and moving of stock that they undertook, to Old Boys working the BBQs, parents from across the school, past parents and, of course, all the school staff (teaching, admin, housekeeping and grounds) – everyone pulled together to make it all happen - WOW what an effort, and what a result.

The team of organisers get it going, but without the army of helpers in the days leading up to, and for the event itself, it would not happen.

Again, THANK YOU to you all.

TAS P&F Meeting – Wednesday 21 May

The TAS P&F hold only four meetings each year and the next one is particularly important.

It will be held on Wednesday 21 May at 7.30pm in the Lower Maxwell Room. In addition to regular business, this is the meeting where we will discuss funding requests from different parts of the school and we invite open and frank discussion of the individual requests, then we can all vote on the distribution of our funds raised over the last 12 months.

The diversity of the funding requests are interesting and it provides a good insight into parts of the school you may not normally be familiar with.

All parents are welcome and I would like to encourage as many of you as possible to attend, allowing all requests to receive fair and considered deliberation.

LEADERSHIP, SERVICE AND ADVENTURE

Congratulations to Nicholas Finney of Year 11, who was presented with his Triple Crown at Assembly on Tuesday. Nick is the fourth boy to be presented with this special award, which was created last year to recognise those who complete the 2km Coffs Harbour Ocean Swim, the 14km Sydney City to Surf foot race, and the 111km overnight Hawkesbury Canoe Classic, during their years at TAS.

Nick’s participation in last month’s Coffs swim ticked off the third leg, him having taken part in the City to Surf and the Hawkesbury last year. Never one to rest on his laurels, Nick is hoping to complete those same two events again this year, which would then make him eligible for his Gold Triple Crown, awarded if all three events are completed in the same calendar year.

Almost 40 boys have expressed their interest in achieving their Triple Crown in this and coming years, and they, too, are to be congratulated for putting their hands up and will no doubt be encouraged in their endeavours by Nick’s example.

Nick Finney was presented with his Triple Crown award by Acting Headmaster, Mr Alan Jones
Welcome back to Term 2 at TAS. What a busy and short term we have with Excursion Week next week and the Eisteddfod coming up in just over a month’s time!

TAS Ensembles

Ensemble rehearsals have already commenced this week and with such a short term it is important we have all students in attendance. The ensemble rehearsal schedule for Term 2 is below.

Just a reminder - any students that are interested in playing or singing in a TAS Ensemble should visit the Music Centre and have a chat with the teachers or Ms Roobol.

It is never too late to join a group!

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Welcome back after what I trust was an enjoyable time with family and friends.

It has been a very busy holiday period and I would like to congratulate all our groups that have travelled to explore Co-curricular opportunities.

Reports will appear in coming weeks in the Co-curricular section of TAS Talks about these trips.

Term 2 is a busy Term on the co-curricular front.

I am delighted to welcome Ms Leanne Roobol as our Director of Music. The Music timetable can be found in the music matters in TAS Talks and I hope you have seen it. If you have not please email Mrs Sarah Broadbent sbroadbe@as.edu.au to gain an updated routine.

In exciting news Mr Andrew O’Connell will commence rehearsals for our upcoming newly introduced Middle School Play which will be performed late in Term 3.

I have attached the training schedule for Winter Sports and encourage you to go to the sports page of the TAS website for further information.

If you have questions pertaining to individual winter sports I encourage you to email the following people in charge of winter sports:

- Football: Mr Luke Polson lpolson@as.edu.au
- Hockey: Mr Alex Portell aportell@as.edu.au
- Rugby: Mr Will Caldwell wcaldwel@as.edu.au
- Shooting: Mr Trevor Thatcher tthatche@as.edu.au
- Squash: Mr David Toakley dtoakley@as.edu.au
- Horse Sports: Mrs Alex Murray amurray1@as.edu.au

Sports training will commence on the first day of Term.

Please note that New England Junior rugby training will take precedence in the first two weeks of Term.

## Football

The football season is underway! Training has commenced this week and games will start this coming Saturday, 3 May.

All details of teams, coaches, training times and draws have been uploaded to the new TAS Football website.

This website will be the central point of information throughout the season. Please refrain from printing draws, as these are continually subject to change. The draws on the TAS website link straight to the Armidale Football Association page and will update automatically if there is a change.

Best wishes for the season ahead!

## TAS INTER-SCHOOLS SKI TEAM

We will again be entering a TAS Ski Team into the NSW Interschools Northern Division Ski Championships. This year the races will be held in Thredbo from the 2 - 5 July - the second week of the holidays. The races are designed so that good intermediate skiers can compete and racing training can be organised beforehand.

Would any boy who is interested in racing for TAS please contact Inter-schools Coordinator, MacDougall on marengo1@bigpond.com or phone on 66576175. If not answered try 0428 667 770 as I might be in town where the mobile actually works. The Bureau of Meteorology is predicting snow starting on Friday and over the weekend so hopefully that will continue.
Throughout the holidays, Alistair Le Surf, Henry O’Neil, Jason O’Keefe, Jack Waters, Josh Danke, Tom Deshon, Mrs Anna Gayner and Mr Luke Polson travelled to New Zealand for the Young Round Square Conference.

We started with a pre-conference tour for three days to Rotorua. Throughout this tour we experienced the Waitomo Glow Worm Caves, an excursion to Pack ‘n’ Save, a Maori cultural centre visit, a trip to Rainbow Springs to experience a kiwi encounter and bird show and some adrenaline pumping action down the luge ride as well as a trip down an inflatable ball known as an Ogo. We topped the trip off with a relaxing trip to the Polynesian spas before visiting Hobbiton, where the Hobbit was filmed.

We spent the next five days at Kings College in Auckland where we completed a number of different activities, each reflecting the ideals of Round Square. The conference focus was ‘Our Planet, Our Future, Ours to Change’. The main theme throughout all we did was that every small contribution counts. We were taught the equation, little changes multiplied by lots of people equals big changes.

At Kings College we made many new friends and learnt skills in confidence and leadership. We participated in an Amazing Race, various leadership workshops, worked with students from many different schools as part of our Barazza groups, took part in the Jump! program to teach us about global issues and listened to many powerful and thought provoking keynote speakers. Each of the activities we did were linked to each of the six pillars of Round Square.

One of the days was focused on the environment. We pulled on our gardening gloves and prepared to get dirty as we helped a primary school restore the stream area behind the school. We did this by building a path for the students to move through the area, removing weeds and pulling out wild ginger from the water way. This was hard work but it was rewarding to be part of a service project and see the finished result.

We also had a marine day as part of the conference program. We were able to choose from a number of activities including kayaking, rollerblading, sailing or climbing up a volcano. Following this, we went to a Marae where we experienced a traditional Maori welcome and Hangi, a traditional method of cooking food - which was delicious!

At the end of the conference we had a day spare in Auckland so we went to a theme park. Our decision on which rides to go on was a brave one. The decision on thrill seeking rides turned out to be a not very wise one for Mr Polson as despite making himself out to be all brave, was rested partway through the day. Following this we took a train into the city for dinner and travelled up the SkyTower, which offered amazing views of the city.

The group would like to thank Mr Smith at Kings College for the amazing conference, Mrs Barnier for her assistance and Mr Polson and Mrs Gayner for their organisation and travelling with us.

FROM LEFT: Henry O’Neil, Jack Waters, Jason O’Keefe, Tom Deshon, Alistair Le Surf and Josh Danke
Here we go...again

Hold on to your bootstraps – it’s short, furiously busy, excursion-laden, exam-packed and, I hope for all, it’s going to be exciting. I’m definitely looking forward to it. The holiday, curiously, has felt longer than two short weeks and I hope the boys feel the same way. It was necessary though, and I hope your time with the boys was both relaxed and exciting.

I’m glad I have this job, you know. Not so much because of the fact that, as a boy, I loved school and that my achievements were laudable and that I enjoyed being away from home. On the contrary, I didn’t, till my senior years, even begin to enjoy school. My academic and other achievements were, again till my senior years, ‘passable’, more often than not I didn’t enjoy being away from home – at all. So, you might ask, why do I enjoy this job of mine? I like it because I’m in a position with staff where we can actually do something about making life for these Middle School boys more enjoyable. Personal experience is a great teacher. The busier these boys are the better, ultimately, they will be. When I was their age I avoided ‘doing’ things: more often than not, I was reflective, not active (enough). This place has so much to offer students – there’s rarely a day that passes without something ‘on’ and we actively encourage the boys to do the ‘head first thing’ and, only then, to reflect on the completed activity. Reflection on ‘missed opportunity’ can be a fruitless exercise. If your son has indicated that he’s not been doing enough to keep him actively engaged, then I’ve ‘missed’ something that’s important to him.

It’s your bounden duty to tell me, too. I assure you, there’s plenty of opportunity for boys to feel a personal sense of satisfaction and if yours has a feeling of ‘isolation’, for lack of better terminology, just tell me. He has a right to be happy at school and we have a responsibility to assist the boys. Having said this, it isn’t our job to instruct students in all that they do – they’re old enough to take responsibility for themselves, in a number of areas, and to make wise decisions. We can help of course if they seek advice. But, it’s definitely my / our job to let them know what’s available to them at TAS.

### Important dates for the second term

For your convenience and, I guess, for your diaries, the following information about the new term is provided:

- **Thursday 1 May** 7am TAS ANZAC Service
- **Monday 5 May** Year 6 to Mosman returning Friday 9 May
- **Year 8 to Sydney returning Friday 9 May**
- **Tuesday 6 May** Year 7 to Pindari Dam returning Friday 9 May
- **Tuesday 13 May** Year 7 NAPLAN Testing
- **Wednesday 14 May** Year 7 NAPLAN Testing
- **Thursday 15 May** Year 7 NAPLAN Testing
- **Thursday 29 May** Year 6 da Vinci Decathlon team travel to Knox Grammar, Sydney
- **Friday 6 June** Staff Day
- **Monday 9 June** Queens Birthday Holiday
- **Wednesday 11 June** MS Exams
- **Thursday 12 June** MS Exams & Year 7 Vaccinations
- **Monday 16 June** Activities Day No. 4
- **Thursday 19 June** 9am Confirmation Service
- **Friday 20 June** Staff Day
Welcome back to Term 2, one that will be short but no doubt action-packed, with winter sport, Excursion Week, NAPLAN and ICAS competitions, da Vinci and Maths Olympiads, Australia’s Biggest Morning Tea along with numerous other social occasions. Hold on for the ride!

As a staff, we have discussed recently our expectations for our students as we settle into the year. This term, I would like to say we are increasing our pastoral focus towards the general behaviour we see at school. We are asking our students to be more aware of our over riding principle of treating others as we would like to be treated. At school, we talk of treating others with respect and we will be discussing how this translates into our daily lives. Such topics as using our manners and being courteous, playing fairly and caring for others are part of our PD program, but there will be renewed attention on them this term. Even moving around our buildings and playgrounds carefully and considerately has been discussed with your children and this will continue.

I encourage you to discuss this with your children at home and work with us as we raise the expectations here at School.

We have been very happy to see that Mr Chet Davies and his staff have been able to replace the aging and broken slides on our adventure playground. For those of you that saw the School throughout the holidays for various events, you will understand just how busy he and his staff are. I would like to publicly acknowledge Chet and his team for the wonderful job they do, always, and in particular, for finding the time to complete the repairs to our playground.

Finally, I hope that the activities planned for excursion week provide a wonderful opportunity for all our students. I thank the staff for their preparations and know that they too are very excited about the week ahead. I am fortunate to be able to spend time with all classes as they engage in challenging, adventurous and wonderful learning experiences and I look forward to reporting back you in the coming weeks about their experiences.

Looking Ahead

**Wednesday 30 April**
- No Assembly

**Thursday 1 May**
- ANZAC Service – 7.00 am

**Friday 3 May**
- JS Cross Country – as advertised below

**Monday 5 May**
- Year 5 Excursion to Myuna Bay

**Winter Sports Training**

**Tuesday 6 May**
- Year 4 Excursion to Lake Keepit

**Wednesday 7 May**
- Year 3 Excursion to Lake Keepit

**Friday 9 May**
- All Junior School Excursions return

**Tuesday 13 May**
- Years 3 and 5 NAPLAN

**Wednesday 14 May**
- Year K and 1 Assembly
  - Years 3 and 5 NAPLAN

**Thursday**
- 15 May Years 3 and 5 NAPLAN

Excursions for Year 3 and 4 departing from Armidale Railway Station.

Year 4 on Tuesday 6 May and Year 3 on Wednesday 7 May.

Students are asked to be at the station by 8.20am.
Uniform

School uniform is flexible for the next two weeks in the Junior School as the weather can be so variable. Families can choose whether their child comes to School in either their winter or summer uniform depending on the weather. From Week 3 though, all children are expected to wear winter uniform. Please ensure that uniform is in good repair and that any replacements are done where necessary.

Year 4 news

In the last week of term one we had a visit from Millie and Matt Graham (Lewis’parents), who gave us a very informative talk about their business: hunting in the Northern Territory. Along with the antlers, skulls and horns and interesting stories the students had plenty of questions to ask. Thank you to Millie and Matt for your time.

Head lice

We ask families to please check children’s hair at the beginning of Term to ensure that head lice has not been contracted during the holidays.

Allergy Aware School

Please be mindful that TAS is an allergy aware school. We do have children in the Junior School with Anaphylaxis and innocent items such as Easter Eggs may contain traces of products that can cause a reaction.

Although we are unable to control all food products that may cause a reaction, we would like to take steps to try and avoid a situation. Items such as Nutella, peanut butter and any products containing nuts should not be brought to school.

Canteen List

The Term 2 canteen price list is now on the website, please note that some prices have changed.

Upcoming events

Please check the School website for further information

The following will occur during Term 2:

ICAS Exams on various dates

Maths Olympiad (Year 5 only) - May 21 and June 11

Australia’s Biggest Morning Tea - May 23

Da Vinci Decathlon in Sydney – May 28 and 29

Pupil Free Day - June 6

Queen’s Birthday long weekend – June 9

Sport

Sport for first two weeks of term.

Week 1

Tuesday and Thursday – Rugby and U12 Football training

Wednesday – Hockey training

Week 2

Monday – Netball and Football (U10 and under)

Tuesday/Thursday – No training this week for Rugby and U12 Football

Wednesday – No training this week for Hockey

Please note the changes in training for Week 2 due to Excursion week.

If you have questions pertaining to individual winter sports I encourage you to email the following people in charge of winter sports.

Football

Mr Luke Polson lpolson@as.edu.au

Hockey

Mr Alex Portell aportell@as.edu.au

Rugby

Mr Will Caldwell wcauldwel@as.edu.au

Netball

Mrs Anne Trenerry atrener@as.edu.au
Cross Country

TAS Junior School Cross Country – Term 2

Our Cross Country event takes place this Friday, 2 May.

Lunch on this day will be from 12:45pm-1:15pm. Children will then be familiarised with the course before races start at 2pm.

Presentation of ribbons will occur in the Junior School under cover area at 3pm.

Children may wear their House coloured t-shirts to school on Friday ready for the event.

We look forward to a wonderful afternoon of participation. Please come along to support your children if you can.

To view or print the winter sports timetable click here

TAS Hockey Winter Competitions

All Junior Hockey New England competitions commence this week at the UNE with the Juniors (11s, 13s & 16s) on Friday and U9s on Saturday morning. The B and C Grade games resume on Sunday, with an additional Friday night game for B Grade. Team lists have been posted on the TAS Hockey Webpage and are likely to change weekly at the discretion of the coaching staff and MIC of Hockey.

Please see draws below:

U9s - Saturday 3 May 9.30am T1 (Opponents TBA)
U11s - Friday 2 May 4.00pm T1 vs City Stingers
U13s - Friday 2 May 5.00pm T2 vs ESC
U16s - Friday 2 May 6.00pm T1 vs ESC
B Grade - Friday 2 May 7.30pm T2 vs ESC
Sunday 4 May 12.15pm T1 vs United
C Grade - Sunday 4 May 10.50am T1 vs City

A reminder for all players to arrive no later than 20 minutes prior to the start time of each game.

Please ensure players are registered through Hockey NSW prior to their game for insurance reasons. Information on where to and how to do this have been posted on the TAS Hockey Webpage.

It is also and expectation that correct uniforms are worn as well as all necessary safety gear. Students will not be permitted to play without mouth guards and shin pads. For Grade players, please notify coaches of sizing if you require the TAS Hockey Mens Navy Shorts and Full Length Navy Socks. Orders have been placed at the Uniform Shop and will be available shortly.

Events and Duties

As a club in the HNE Competition, TAS Hockey are required to assist with canteen duties on a rostered basis. TAS Hockey have been assigned Canteen duty on Saturday and Sunday 2 and 3 August. Please contact Social and Events Convenor Heather Williams to nominate a time you will be able to assist with this. Similarly, TAS Hockey Club require helpers for the Wednesday afternoon Barbecue to be held during training at the UNE beginning in Week 3.

Please contact Mrs Williams if you are able to assist with this between 4 and 5.30pm as it has become a great social element of our training sessions which our girls and boys look forward to each week.

As an ongoing responsibility, teams must also assist with scoring duties/timekeeping at each game, so please make yourself known to coaches at games if you can assist in this area.

TAS Blues

AT the TAS Rugby Carnival during the holidays, the TAS Blue Rugby team, the majority being the 13’s squad, had a very successful weekend in terms of both results and development. Five games were played in all, the results being: v Padua (won 5 - 5, TAS winning as first scorer); v Scots College (lost 11 - 18); v Wollongbar Rugby Club (lost 0 - 23); v Shore (lost 12 - 18) and in a 12th place playoff in Division 2, v Cranbrook (won 39 - 0). Leaving their best game to last, the team combined beautifully to secure and maintain possession, and spread the ball with expansive and attacking flair. It was a wonderful game to watch in front of a large and very appreciative crowd. As is usually the case, the weekend created the opportunity for the boys to apply all they had learnt at training and they are to be congratulated for their efforts.

The squad was: Lucas Atkins (C) , Oliver Broadbent, v Hamish Cannington, Duncan Chalmers, Henry Claridge (C) , Nicholas Corderoy, Tom Costello (C) , Jack Halliday, Nick Jackson, Ethan Jones, Alex Kirk, Toby Makerink, Hamish Moore, Thomas Morgan, Tom Nivison (C) , Jason O’Keefe (C) , Henry O’Neil, Lachlan Oates, Michael Paull, Joe Sewell, Seaton Sharpe, Henry Watkins.
Year 10 Excursion - Canberra

For detailed information on the Year 10 Canberra excursion, please click [HERE](#).

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Late Arrival to Senior School

Students arriving late to Senior School must sign in, or out at Reception. Senior School students needing to leave the school grounds for medical or other appointments during the normal school day (8.30am-3.30pm) must sign out accordingly.

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FOUNDATION AGM

The annual Foundation AGM will be held at 5.30pm on Friday 23 May in Lower Maxwell, All welcome to attend.

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Pottery Classes with Rick Hatch

Pottery Classes are available during Term 2.

K - 3  Tuesday  3.45 - 5.00pm
4-7  Thursday  3.45 - 5.00pm

If you would like additional information or wish to arrange classes with Rick, please call (02) 6772 5371 or email to weemalapot@yahoo.com.au

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The Headmaster
Mr Murray Guest
and Commanding Officer
TAS Cadets
MAJOR Trevor Thatcher

invites you to attend

TAS ANZAC SERVICE

on Adamsfield

Thursday 1 May 2014
at 7.00am

Guest Speaker
SQNLDR Scott Harris
RAAF