Activities Day 1

The 2015 Activities Program is now underway and all reports from last Friday indicate that it has been a great start. The full breadth of the program was on display through the day with cadets abseiling and learning bush and water skills, rangers on the climbing wall, pioneers planning the year’s expeditions and fire fighters at the RFS HQ familiarising themselves with equipment and operations.

Our surf lifesavers used the opportunity of their first day at Sawtell to present a new honour board to recognise the life members of the Sawtell Surf Lifesaving Club. The relationship that has been built between TAS and the Club is now a close one and I particularly recognise Jim Pennington’s initiative in ensuring that it is thoroughly positive on all levels.

NCIS Swimming

The opportunity for Junior, Middle and Senior Schools to travel and compete together comes just twice a year, both in competition with the North Coast Independent Schools, and they are wonderful occasions. The NCIS Swimming yesterday was the first of those for 2015 and, as the report from MiC Jim Pennington indicates, it was a great day for our swimmers of all ages. The chance for our most senior and able swimmers to cheer on the Junior School boys and girls and for the younger children to be inspired in turn by the speed and power of the open races is quite special.

Around half the TAS team qualified to represent NCIS at the Combined Independent Schools swimming championships and I wish those who are moving on to the next level well for their training and preparation.

Cattle Team

As Mike Ball reports later in this edition of TAS Talks, the show season for our cattle team has been short and sharp this year, finishing with the Armidale Show last weekend. It was a successful finish though, both in terms of the performance of our students and cattle and I offer particular congratulations to Sam Cannington who has qualified for the final of the NSW Junior Paraders competition at the Sydney Show.

I also offer special thanks to Mr Ball for his leadership of our program. Operating a commercial cattle stud and showing progeny bred at the School in competition with other commercial producers at shows around the state is a very different responsibility to the usual schools scenario of fattening and showing donated steer calves. That Mr Ball carries this responsibility with such professionalism and keen focus on the benefits it brings to our students is to be applauded.

The 2015/16 team will come together at the start of Term 3, when Mr Ball returns from long service leave, and begin preparations for the new season by breaking in new calves and I encourage all boys who might have an interest in being involved to get in touch with Mr Ball.
Week 6
Primary Industries - Year 12 Workplacement - All Week
Wednesday 4 March
Year 9/10 Music Day at NECOM
4.00pm Douglas Shield Cricket
Glen Innes Co-education Consultation Session
Town and Country Club 5.30pm

Thursday 5 March
Scone Co-education Consultation Session
Scone Golf Club 5.30pm
Year 12 Parent Teacher interviews

Friday 6 March
Year 12 Parent Teacher interviews
HSC Music Days at NECOM
GPS Rowers depart for Sydney
Newcastle Co-education Consultation Session
Newcastle Jockey Club 5.30pm
5.30pm Junior TOAD Cup Cricket
Armidale Sportsground

Saturday 7 March
GPS Head of the River (Sydney)

Week 7
Tuesday 10 March
Sydney Co-education Consultation Session
Union, University and Schools Club - 5.30pm
1.10pm Great Cloisters Run

Wednesday 11 March
NCIS Football Championships

Thursday 12 March
Year 6/7 Parent Teacher interviews

Friday 13 March
Year 6/7 Parent Teacher interviews
Once Upon a Mattress performance

Saturday 14 March
Once Upon a Mattress performance

Week 8
Monday 16 March
Summer House & Co-curricular photos

Thursday 19 March
Year 7 Vaccinations
Once Upon a Mattress performance

Friday 20 March
Activities Day No. 2
Once Upon a Mattress performance

Saturday 21 March
Year 11 Mother & Son Weekend
Once Upon a Mattress performance

Sunday 22 March
11.00 am 1st Round FFA Cup
(Doody Park)

Week 9
Primary Industries - Year 12 Workplacement - All Week
24 - 26 March
Visual Arts Excursion - Sydney

Thursday 26 March
1.30 pm Year 11 Study Seminar
(Hoskins)
6.00 pm Twilight Concert
7.30 pm Year 11/12 Parents – Study Skills session

Friday 27 March
Activities Day No. 3

Sunday 29 March
Coffs Harbour Swim
Foundation Rugby Referees Course
(McConville Centre)

Week 10
Monday 30 March
Year 9 Parent Teacher interviews
Founders Day

Tuesday 31 March
Year 9 Parent Teacher interviews
Junior School Athletics Championships
Board Meetings

Wednesday 1 April
MS/SS Athletics Championships
End of Term

Thursday 2 April
Activities Day No. 3

Friday 3 April
Staff Day
Good Friday

Medical Centre
The first round of Year 7 vaccinations will occur on Thursday 19 March at The TAS Medical Centre.

Please return vaccination consents for Years 7,11 & 12 as soon as possible.

The second round will occur on 11 June and will involve Years 7, 11 & 12.

The third round will occur on 5 November and will involve Year 7.

We will be offering all Boarding Students Influenza vaccination again this year. The production of the vaccine has been delayed so vaccination will not occur until Term 2. Consent forms will be sent out at this term.

Jenny Murray
Senior School Nurse
Medical Centre
Thank you to the P&F for donating the wonderful seating now in place out the front of the library. What a wonderful place to sit and read or eat your lunch.

P&F ASSOCIATION

STUDENT TRAVEL

Public Transport options

Deadline for bookings Friday 6 March.

Free charter coaches to:

- South East - Sydney via Tamworth and Hunter Valley
- North West - Lightning Ridge via Moree and Inverell
- West West - Bourke via Narrabri and Burren Junction
- South West - Dubbo via Gunnedah
- East South - Port Macquarie via Coffs Harbour
- and the Sydney bound train will depart AM on Thursday 2 April.

As it is easier to cancel than to book at short notice, unless parents are intending to drive to collect on Wednesday 1 April after 3.30, a ticket should be booked, including for the return to school on Monday 20 April.

Baggage Allowance

It’s also timely to remind students about the luggage restrictions on charter services.

Not more than 2 items for stowage in luggage bins on coach services. Not exceeding 60cm high, 70cm long, 50cm wide (ie: Length, depth and width not exceeding 180cm) and 20 Kg in weight.

When travelling on a coach service the total weight of hand luggage cannot exceed 5kg and must be able to be stored under the seat. Hand luggage that does not fit under the seat must be stored in the luggage compartment beneath the coach.

Unfortunately swags, bikes or large boxes will not be carried.

Boarding Houses have designated areas for safe storage of such items.

If you have any questions please contact Mrs Meg Sadler by email on travel@as.eud.au or telephone 6776 5805.
A school like TAS is a great place and time to examine the claims of the Bible, Jesus and Christianity. Sadly, many of us have left school and as a consequence left the opportunity behind. Time and the pressures of life, the accessibility of resources to help us think these things through and people to discuss them with may be well past.

Many of us would like to revisit the questions we had in our youth, but with the mature developed mind of an adult.

With that in mind we would like to invite you to one or all three Thursday evenings commencing on the 12 March (subsequent evenings – 19 March and 26 March) at 8pm for just one hour.

We’re calling it ‘From Creation to Revelation’.

The format will involved lots of dessert and coffee/tea and hot chocolate, a short presentation from myself and then questions, comments and discussion as we sit and think through some of the less mundane things of life.

We would love to see you there.

Please RSVP via email to rnewton@as.edu.au or call me on 0429 157 905 so we know how much to bake!

Sometimes unexpected events cut across our path and impact on us in powerful ways. That is the way life is. Even though we may imagine that we are captains of our own ship and in control of what happens, such assumptions are challenged by unexpected events that can occur. Some of these may seem absolutely random and unpredictable. They may challenge our demand that life be fair and just. And often life circumstances are not fair and just. Suddenly, out of the blue we may experience a strong sense of helplessness and loss of control. Perhaps, the entire trajectory of life into the future may have changed.

What is possible once we have absorbed the full impact of the event is to gradually engage with a process that makes room for the new reality in our consciousness. Then little by little we can begin to develop our responses to it. We begin to claim the freedom that comes from taking a stance. We start to recognise the changes in us that emerge from what has happened and the new attitudes and responses we are developing. There is no magic switch, rather a journey to take, in an intentional and deliberate way, as the result of choices and decisions about how we need to live in the new realities of our life. It is a journey that deepens our sense of what it means to be a person.

It is in the context of these events and response processes that it can be helpful to seek out someone else who can help us sift and sort through our experiences, someone who will not take away our independence or responsibility for who we are becoming. Connection to another is important because we can become very tangled by the threads of our own pre-occupations. By ourselves we can so easily become stuck.
Year 12 Parent Teacher Interviews

Year 12 Parent Teacher Interviews are planned for Thursday 5 March from 3.30pm - 6:00pm and Friday 6 March from 1:30pm - 5:30pm and will be held in the Memorial Hall. Parents should have now received an email with your User Name and Password giving you access to the Denbigh online booking system.

Should interviews on these dates prove inconvenient, an alternative date or telephone interview may be arranged at a time that suits both parents and teachers. Requests can be directed to your son’s Advisor or to the Academic Assistant, Mrs Vickey O’Brien.

Information Session for parents and students will be held on Thursday 5 March at 6.15pm in Big School and Friday 6 March at 11.45am in the Hoskins Theatre. These information sessions will be conducted by Mrs Wark, Director of Studies and Mr Guest.

Please email vobrien@as.edu.au to indicate if you will attending an Information Session.

If you have any questions regarding Parent Teacher Interviews please contact Mrs Vickey O’Brien on 6776 5806.

HSC Tutoring

A reminder of HSC tutoring times available to all Year 12 students.

If you have any questions regarding HSC tutoring please contact Mrs Vickey O’Brien on 6776 5806 or email vobrien@as.edu.au

HSC Tutoring weekly program

Monday
Mr John Galvin – Room – C1-1
7pm - Maths General
8pm - Maths 2U

Tuesday
Mr Kel Hardingham – Room – S0-1
7pm - Biology
8pm - Chemistry

Wednesday
Ms Tamminga – Room LA0-1
7.15pm – French Continuers
Mr Taylor – PDHPE Classroom
7.15pm – PDHPE
Mr John Galvin – Room C1-1
8pm - Maths Extension

Thursday
Mrs Edith Wright – Room F1-1
7pm - English Advanced
8pm - English Extension
Year 12 Geography field study to Narrabri

As a part of our HSC unit 'People and Economic Activity', Year 12 Geography will be heading west to build on our studies of the cotton industry.

**When:** 9 and 10 March (Week 7) leaving at 8:30am on 9 March and returning at 5:00 pm on 10 March.

**Wear:** neat jeans, boots, shirt and hat suitable for site visits

**What to bring:** Day boys - Monday lunch. Overnight gear. List to follow.

The boys will be given more details about itinerary and packing list in class this week.

Ms Fiona Taber  
Year 12 Geography

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Year 10 Canberra Excursion

As part of 2015 Excursion Week Year 10 students will travel to Canberra. To find out more about the trip, visit the dedicated website. This is where information and updates will be posted.  
[CLICK HERE](#)

**Dates:** 27 April — 1 May (Week 2 Term 2)

**Depart:** 6am, Monday 27 April from TAS

**Return:** 6:30pm, Friday 1 May

Mr Tim Scott

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Last Friday six of our Year 9-12 students attended the 'Armidale Civic Welcome for International Students. This event was held to celebrate the diversity of culture and backgrounds present in the Armidale community, within secondary schools and university. The boys enjoyed meeting the Mayor of Armidale Laurie Bishop and his wife Lesley (also current TAS parents). They were able to find information about Armidale's International groups and communities, and meet other overseas students. Thankyou to the Armidale Dumeresq Council for hosting this event and inviting us to be a part of the afternoon.

Ms Stephanie Toogood
The theme of the conference is “Act Today, Change Tomorrow” and the focus will be on sustainability, a UWC mission to make education a force to unite people, nations and cultures for peace and a sustainable future.

The conference will be preceded by an adventure trip (trekking and kayaking) in Northern Thailand (yet to be confirmed) and is open to students in Years 11 and Year 10 should we not fill the six spots with the more senior students. The conference runs from 2-8 October.

Website: [The conference website](#) is now live so please take a look.

Mr Buntine and Mrs Barnier are taking applications now as registrations close early April. This is a great opportunity to meet lots of students from across the world, challenge yourself and be part of global group of young people looking to our future.

Applications are available on the website: [CLICK HERE](#)

**Welcome Back Oscar Alcorn**

Oscar Alcorn (Year 10) returns from Rothesay Netherwood School in Canada where he has been on exchange since early January. I look forward to hearing of Oscar’s experiences, of which he had many in the midst of winter and lots of snow.
As stated previously I will be using the Careers pages on the TAS website to post information about upcoming events and opportunities. Please take a moment to view the links as there maybe some information of interest to you or son, especially if he is Year 12.

Australian Defence Force GAP Year. An excellent opportunity for students to experience the military life with a one year commitment to a position in the defence forces. Please see the link on the website for more details.

iTravel Wharoonga is offering a service for students who have obtained a GAP position for 2016 but are yet to secure travel and insurance arrangements.

University of NSW are offering a Guaranteed Entry program for 2016. For the details see the flyers and use the link to go to their website.

Sydney Careers Expo. We are taking all of Year 11 & 12 to the Sydney Careers Expo on 28 May, the organisation for which will be sent out at a later date. I have attached three flyers with information about the program, list of exhibitors and the HSC seminars on offers throughout the day. It is a very impressive program that will be of great value to our students. Please take a look to familiarise yourself with the event.

Mr Mark Taylor
Careers Advisor
Save the Date
TAS Community Open Day
Friday 24 April, 2015
9.30 - 12.30

There's plenty to see at this year’s TAS Community Open Day (incorporating Grandparents Day) on 24 April. Be entertained by music performances, marvel at our climbing wall, visit your child or grandchild's classroom, or simply come and take a tour around TAS. 9.30-12.30pm, morning tea provided.

To register please use the following link. REGISTER TO ATTEND OPEN DAY

As the process of co-education consultation continues, please find some important links for your reference and information.

If you would like to take part in the co-education consultation process by putting forward your comments please book to attend one of the consultation sessions using the link below or contact consult@as.edu.au or phone our dedicated number 0487 549 477.

If you are unable to attend a consultation session you can view the Armidale presentation by selecting the link below.

View Video Presentation

Book to attend Consultation Session

View Research Paper by Headmaster, Murray Guest

There are still a number of copies of The Armidalian 2013 that were not collected by families at last year's Junior School and Senior School Speech Days. One copy is available for every family with a child at the school last year. The Armidalian is the official magazine of the school and a record of the breadth of school life. If you have yet to receive yours, copies are available for collection from the main school Reception. Otherwise, please email reception@as.edu.au or call Mrs Veronica Lucas on 6776 5800 to enable the eldest of your children at school to collect your family copy.
The Halfway Point

I urge coxswains to never tell their crew that they are half way – it doesn’t matter whether you are a glass half full or a glass half empty person – halfway means that the pain that you felt for the last three-and-a-half minutes is just about to be relived.

Halfway is the hardest point in the race – too far from the beginning to feel fresh and too far from the end to sense the finish. So all you can do is focus on the now; the stroke that you are currently doing and make it the best stroke you can possibly do.

If you are at this point and looking back on a term filled with growing demands in the classroom, still recovering from the rigour of a cadet leaders course, juggling an activities day, school sport, representative sport, play rehearsals, school socials and formals, music practice, cattle team, trips to Sydney and perhaps nursing a cold or a sore thumb or both…..then focus on NOW.

A team of ten Triathletes showed the way with a monumental performance at the CIS Triathlon in Penrith last Thursday. Our Cattle Team proved that they can match it with the best in the Armidale Show, our swimmers have just returned from a successful NCIS Championships in Lismore, our Cricketers are, right now, in the midst of battle in the semi-final of the Douglas Shield, our Rowers head to Sydney on Friday for the AAGPS Head of the River Regatta and our Footballers compete in the NCIS Championships at TAS next Wednesday.

All staff know how busy the students are because they are there with them. They are always there to help them understand the work missed or to guide them in time management. So if you are feeling the pinch at the halfway point remember you are not alone. Perhaps this quote will give you the inspiration to flourish in this manic environment.

“The true measure of a man is not how he prospers in times of comfort and convenience but how he thrives amidst challenge and adversity”…..or my personal favourite….”How do you eat an elephant? One mouthful at a time.”

Rowing

A warm invitation is extended to join us at the AAGPS Head of the River Regatta.

Date: Saturday 7 March

Venue: Sydney International Regatta Centre (SIRC), Penrith

Time: Racing starts at 10am – TAS crews racing in the First, Second and Third IV’s.

The area allocated to TAS supporters is on the Grandstand side of the course, closest to the start line.
All welcome to launch a new tradition!

Inspired by an athletics challenge made famous in the film Chariots of Fire, TAS is set to host its own footrace through the historic heart of the school when the inaugural Great Cloisters Run takes place next Tuesday, 10 March.

In the film, two students sprint around the quadrangle of Trinity College, Cambridge, aiming to finish before a clocktower strikes twelve. For the TAS version, a student from each sporting house and age group (from under 13s to Opens) will run a relay around the Lawrance Quadrangle with its Boston-ivy covered cloisters, on a 306m rectangular course through the school. The race will start under the quadrangle clock, when a bell donated to the school in the 1960’s, is rung for the first time in many years.

The event will have a strong focus on the school’s history and will kick off our athletics season.

All members of the broader TAS community are invited to come and watch the inaugural race. Spectators are to be assembled along the top of Fisher Wing by 1.05pm. Boys will line the course at various locations, according to their year groups, and more information will be given about this later in the week.

Just as in the film, there should be a wonderful atmosphere as all the students from kindergarten to Year 12 cheer on the runners right around the course, and hopefully it will become an iconic event on the school sporting calendar.

Mr Jim Pennington

Douglas Shield Semi-Final

Today Wednesday 4 March our First XI Cricket Team will be playing the semi-final of the Douglas Shield at TAS Oval against Rouse Hill Anglican College from 9:30 am. This should be a close game as both teams have defeated strong teams on the way to this semi-final game. The boys have prepared well and with the home ground advantage, I’m sure they will put in a good performance.

The boys are now one game away from playing in the final, which will be played at Sydney University No 1 Oval this month. Come along and support the players as they strive to reach the final of this prestigious competition.

The team is: Jack Bennett (captain), Max Alcorn Will Archer, Hamish Coupland, Nicholas Day, Mitchell Foster, Liam Howard, Ben Moffatt, Dominic Pilon, Brendan Power, Thomas Stier, Will Waterson.

Mr Allan Moore

Sam Wright’s Hat Trick

On the afternoon of Thursday 12 February Sam Wright took an incredible hat trick playing for TAS White against TAS Blue on Wakefield in the under 16s cricket competition. Consistent line and length bowling and superb catching from his team mates allowed Sam to claim himself a rare cricketing occurrence. Taking three wickets in three balls against his peers made this hat trick a particularly enjoyable and satisfying result for Sam and his team. Congratulations to Sam on this fine achievement.

Mr Hugo Johnson

CRICKET

Junior Toad Cup

The TAS Years 7–9 T/20 team will participate in the Junior TOAD Cup this Friday. TOAD represents the first letter of the four schools participating in the T/20 competition - TAS, O’Connor, Armidale High and Duval High. The Senior TOAD Cup has been running on and off over the last six years and it has been decided that there is interest in all schools to have a competition for this age group. All games will be played at the Armidale Sportsground with a chance of one or two games being played under lights.

Our first game will be against Armidale High at around 6pm on Friday 6 March. If we are able to win this game the Final will be played on Friday, 13 March from 6pm. The boys are excited about participating and I am hoping this will be an annual event. Come along and support the boys as they strive to be the inaugural champions of the Junior TOAD Cup.

Mr David Toakley

Under 16s

Congratulations to Kieran Dennis, who last Saturday morning achieved one of cricket’s rarest and most sought after accomplishments in the game, a hat trick. Playing for 16 Yellow against Hillgrove at Elizabeth Park, Kieran bowled a particularly fine spell of five overs, which was all the more impressive considering how slippery the ball was because of heavy dew on the ground. Kieran started with an LBW, which was followed by a sharp catch taken at midwicket by Nick Farrar, and his hat trick ball was another catch at short cover. No doubt Kieran found the final dismissal a somewhat bittersweet experience, because the batsman (batswoman) was none other than his older sister Maddie. A very fine effort Kieran, and a trophy to recognise this achievement will be awarded at assembly in due course.

Mr David Toakley
NSW All Schools Triathlon

A team of ten dynamic, enthusiastic and talented triathletes ventured to the foothills of the Blue Mountains for the 24th NSW All Schools Triathlon Championships, held at the Sydney International Regatta Centre at Penrith. At 6:30am, competitors were greeted with light rain, which made one view the bike course with a certain degree of caution, but optimism for the run.

The Senior event was sent off first, with Jack Parker and Brent Rees exiting the water within 3s of each other. Sam Finlayson was only 1m behind with KB Fergusson some 4m later. It was on the flat and fast bike leg that Jack demonstrated his power on the bike, moving through the field averaging over 36km/hr. His run leg displayed the many Saturday mornings at the Armidale Parkrun, with a very solid performance to cross the line in an outstanding 25th place. Sam stormed through the run, powering past more than 30 competitors to finish just places ahead of Brent, who had a very composed race. Our Triathlon Captain KB Fergusson was as stoic as ever, one of the original TAS Triathlon Team from 2011, crossing the line in 50th place.

By the time the Juniors got underway at 12:30pm, the sun had dried out the road, dispersed the clouds and added a new element to the event. A blinding swim from Hamish Moore, out of the water with the first pack, set a cracking pace for the rest to follow. The Jones brothers Josh and Sam hooked into the bike leg, relishing the competition, with more than 180 athletes on the course at this stage. Sam King, fresh off a 110km bike race the previous Saturday, set out to stamp his mark on the field in his strongest leg. Onto the run and a determined Sam Jones held a very fast tempo making his way through the field to finish in 37th place overall. Older brother Josh outsprinted Hamish Moore on the line to take 41st position, with James O’Brien crossing in 52nd, just followed by Sam King in 68th. Hamish Tydd, having raced the previous weekend at Trial Bay, maintained a constant rhythm to finish 85th.

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By the end of both events, the TAS team had walked away with a proud showing of their determination and commitment to their sport.
NCIS Swimming

A strong contingent of 31 swimmers presented themselves to the annual NCIS Swimming Championships at the Lismore Memorial Pool on Tuesday. In conditions perfectly suited to swimming, these fine athletes glided their way to numerous personal bests and outstanding places.

The children of the Junior School performed with aplomb, enjoying the camaraderie with the older students, with the girls excelling in the freestyle events, especially Poppy Broun and Isabel Newton. Hugh Taylor and Oliver Smart performed strongly throughout the day, swimming powerfully in their respective events.

The Middle School assault was lead by James O’Brien and Lucas Cotterell who both received overall runners-up trophies for their age groups. Coupled with solid performances from the likes of Clancy Roberts, Michael Paull and the two Hamish’s (Moore and Cannington), the future of TAS swimming continues to shine brightly.

Under the stewardship of Will Raleigh (C) and Harry Wright (VC), the Senior School was fantastically represented. The two Jacks (Parker and Kaynes) were once again the dominant force in BreastsWtroke, Liam Donaldson (R/U 16s) was all power in the Butterfly, James Hartog-Smith slipped through the Backstroke and Saxon Hughes and Will Bartel unleashed themselves in the Freestyle.

I would like to thank our Gappies, Cal and Jonny, Mrs Wright and Mr Caldwell for all of their efforts over the past few days in

Pictured above are (L-R), Liam Donaldson (R/U 16s), Lucas Cotterell (R/U 12s) and James O’Brien (R/U 13s).
Mountain Biking

Last week Year 11 student Michael Harris headed to Toowoomba to represent Australia in the Oceania Mountain Bike Championships and then compete in the final round of the National Mountain Bike Series on Thursday was the first event for Michael which was the Cross Country Olympic (XCO) style race. Michael completed the four laps of the course in a great time of 1:10, placing 9th in the U19 men. On Friday Michael competed against the open age elite men in the Cross Country Eliminator (XCE) race. The XCE consists of four riders being placed in each heat where they need to sprint one lap of a shortened cross country course and finish in first or second place to progress to the next round. Michael made it through the first two rounds of the elimination races to make it to the final which was an amazing effort considering he was racing against senior riders who compete at world championship level. In the final Michael placed 4th behind fellow Australian and 2013 elite world champion Paul Van Der Ploeg, and New Zealander Anton Cooper who was the gold medalist at the 2014 Commonwealth Games.

On the Saturday Michael raced in the national series XCO and was coming 7th but after two flat tyres, dropped to 14th place. On Sunday Michael finished his week of racing with a XCC race and while the results are yet to be uploaded, he had an enjoyable race. Congratulations Michael on your spectacular results and representing Australia amongst such elite riders.

On the local scene, we had a strong field of TAS students competing at the 5th race of the summer series held at SportUNE. There were again noticeable improvements since last time we raced on this track with special mention to Ben Carter, Tristan Rozendaal, Hamish Newton, Nick Munsie and Will Grant who either got one more lap in or improved their times from round two. Congratulations on a fine effort from all riders. The results can be found here http://www.nemtb.com.au/results Next week’s race will be held at the Pineforest.

Horse Sports

Any student is interested in competing in events please contact Ms Genevieve Geyle-Chick on atgchick@as.edu.au as soon as possible to ensure insurances are in place and applications are lodged, and a stable/stall is reserved.

Students interested in competing at COONA will need to contact me ASAP, entries will need to be in no later than the end of term as stables go quickly and it works on a first in first serve basis. Students will be required to organise their own stables and lodge their interest with me. Registration forms will then be sent out.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Quirindi P&C Horsesports
Quirindi Showground
Monday, 27 April
8am sharp gear check for 8.30am start
Awarded to champion and reserve riders
Strictly run under Pony Club rules
Contact: Simon Smith - 0428 485 355

Narrabri West Public School
Horse Sports Day
Friday 12 June
Saturday 13 June

Narrabri Pony Club show riding Gymkhana
Sunday 14 June
Narrabri Blanch Trophy Day
Programs will be emailed to schools in April.
Enquiries: Megan Hartog-Smith 0428 567 752
Middle/Senior School  
ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIPS 2015  
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INTERESTED IN BECOMING A REFEREE?

For boys in Year 9 and above!

A course will be held at TAS McConville Centre on 29 March.

The study pathway to refereeing ‘The game they play in heaven is’;

- Complete a Law Exam (Online)
- Complete the Foundation Course on 29 March
- Referee Junior Games (U12s - U14s), coached then assessed

Email Mr Thatcher to express your interest by 13 March
Cattle Club

As soon as it began the show season concluded for the TAS cattle team with the Armidale show over the weekend. In another successful show for the team Sam Cannington (Year 10) continued his good form in the paraders, qualifying for the state final of the F002 Junior Paraders competition to be held at the Sydney Royal Easter Show later in the term.

TAS Lady Magic J02 lead by Dan Lethbridge (Year 9) won the British Female 20 and under 24 months class. All boys did very well in what was a bit of rushed and condensed show season. We now look forward to breaking in some calves later in the year to prepare for next year.

Mr Mike Ball

The Armidale Show

Joe Carlon (Year 8) had success at the 2015 Armidale Show winning the Intermediate (13 to under 18yrs) Merino Sheep Judging and he placed third in the Intermediate Fleece Judging on Saturday 28 February.

Joe is aspiring to judge at the Sydney Royal but has to be 15 to qualify, maybe next year?

NIAS

The Northern Inland Academy of Sport has resurrected it’s Rugby Program in 2015. The program kicked off late last year and was open to those boys eligible to play in the 14 years age division in 2015. TAS is well represented with eight boys gaining selection: Lachlan Oates, Josh Jones, Nicholas Jackson, Hamish Cannington, Thomas Costello, Henry Claridge, Lucas Atkins, and Hamish Moore.

The boys have been attending a number of training days in Tamworth and Gunnedah and will play their first game in Scone against the Academy side from the Hunter Region in a week’s time. They also have a tour coming up to Sydney for a couple of games, a training session with the ‘TAHs’ and a visit to the SFS to see a Super Rugby Game.

This opportunity provides our boys with a great pathway for their Rugby development and fits well with their ability to progress into the Junior Gold Competition from U15 through to U17 age divisions. Congratulations and good luck for the remainder of the program.
The countdown for our production of Once Upon a Mattress is well and truly on as next week’s opening looms. As such, it is a frantic time combining the many different elements of the show. The cast have continued to give their all during rehearsals and over the course of the next week they will be focused on refining and polishing all they have been working on. This week they will get to see the fruits of the labour of our dedicated and talented costume team, a wonderful collection of volunteers who have given weekends to the designing, mending and altering of costumes. We are now assembling our technical crew, those in charge of the essential elements of lighting, sound and stage management. And, importantly, the orchestra meets this week to prepare to combine with the cast this weekend. With all of those groups coming together for the first time the theatre may be a chaotic place but it is guaranteed to make show finally seem ‘real’.

Tickets for the musical are on sale through the Hoskins website and TAS Reception. I encourage the whole community to come along and support the cast and crew who have invested so much time and energy in the production - it is a hilarious musical suitable for all ages and is sure to wow audiences with the level of student talent.

As well as the school’s own shows, the Hoskins Centre is set to be very busy with a number of touring productions visiting this year. Hoskin’s Season 2015 is being finalised and will be launched soon with a broad range of plays, musicals, concerts and art exhibitions making the centre as busy as it has ever been. Keep a keen eye on this section and the posters in TAS Talks for more information about Season 2015.
THE ARMIDALE SCHOOL PRESENTS
the hilarious Broadway hit musical comedy

once
upon a
MATTRESS

In association with
NEGS and PLC

Music By
MARY RODGERS
Lyrics By
MARSHALL BARER

Book By
JAY THOMPSON, DEAN FULLER and MARSHALL BARER

MARCH 13, 14, 20, 21 7:30pm 14, 21 2:00pm
TICKETS $25, $20, $15 | hoskins.as.edu.au | 6776 5878

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R&H THEATRICALS: www.rnh.com
TAS on Show at Civic Welcome for International Students

Last Friday afternoon Music Captain Harry Wright accompanied by pianist extraordinaire and TAS Old Boy, Patrick Williamson, performed in front of a huge crowd at the Annual Civic Welcome for International Students. The event was held at the Town Hall and is the official annual Council welcome for the many international secondary and tertiary students in Armidale this year. Many thanks to both Harry and Pat. Your ‘cool jazz’ performances were extremely well received and nothing short of impressive!

Term 1 Twilight Concert Week 9

The Twilight Concert this term will be held in the Big School Hall commencing at 6pm on Thursday 26th March. These concerts are a wonderful opportunity for instrumental and vocal students to gain valuable performance experience in front of a small and friendly audience. Twilight Concerts are free and everyone is welcome to attend.

The timing of this concert works very well for those students participating in the Eisteddfod this year, who might like to perform their pieces. Students should speak to their instrumental or vocal tutors to discuss registering for this term’s Twilight Concert. Parents can contact the Music Administrator Mrs Broadbent on sbroadbe@as.edu.au for more information.

A Reminder to Parents: Closing Date for Eisteddfod Entries

If your child is keen to enter in to an event in this year’s Eisteddfod, please remember that the closing date for entries is 5pm FRIDAY 13 MARCH. We advise that parents get in touch with tutors this week to discuss entry requirements.

REMINDER: Annual NECOM Music Days for Year 9/10 and HSC students are happening this week!

Year 9/10 Music Day for Elective Music students will be held this Wednesday from 9.15am - 3.30pm.

Lunch: Day students will be required to bring their own lunch and morning tea. Boarder lunches will be arranged for pick up by boarders prior to departure on the bus.

Transport: TAS minibus will depart for NECOM at the Old Teachers College in Mossman Street from the book room at 8.45am and return students to TAS at 3.30pm.

Attire: Students are permitted to wear neat casuals (no thongs or singlets).

HSC Music Workshop for Year 11 & 12 for Music 1 and 2 students will be held this Thursday 5 and Friday 6 March

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Ms Roobol, Mrs Butcher, Mr Dunham and Mrs Broadbent

Please note that no late entries will be accepted and all entries must be submitted on the official eisteddfod forms, which can be obtained from NECOM. Here is the link to this year’s syllabus.

Armidale Eisteddford Syllabus
Activities Day 1

Friday was a ‘first’ in terms of Activities Days for many Middle School students. I spent part of the morning in the grounds with all the Year 6 boys and the staff attached to the Rangers activity. The boys were happily employed in ropes exercises, knot tying, first aid and the wall climb in the gym. Having spoken to a good number of them, I know they were having an enjoyable time. I spoke to staff as well and they seemed happy with the day, especially with the interaction between students and staff too. While the boys from Year 6 were gainfully employed here, the Year 7 and 8 Activities consisted of construction of rafts basic drill, bush craft at Dumaresq. Underlying all activities was the necessity of communication and cooperation with others outside specific friendship groups and this latter ‘activity’ was so interesting to observe. By design, because it requires reliance on others, the occasion necessitated open communication and, despite initial hesitation, all boys acquitted themselves admirably. From their laughter I reckon they ‘ended up’ enjoying the company of others who aren’t always part of their regular friendship group. It was also encouraging to listen to new staff members who waxed lyrical about the style of activities; the day allowed them to ‘get to know’ the boys on a basis that otherwise formal class room interaction doesn’t often allow. As important (sometimes I think it’s more important) the day enabled boys to begin to get to know staff as people. I’m glad the day was a success because the boys will now be looking forward to the next Activities Day in two weeks time.

Parent Teacher Interviews

Year 6 Parent Teacher Interviews will be held on Thursday, 12 March 2015 from 1:30pm - 4:30pm and Friday, 13 March 2015 between 9:40am - 5:00pm. Interviews will be held in the School Library.

Year 7 Parent Teacher Interviews will be held on Thursday, 12 March 2015 (Parents of Day students) and Friday, 13 March 2015 (Parents of Boarding students). Interviews will be held in the Memorial Hall.

Information regarding the booking of interviews was sent out last Friday. If you didn’t receive an email, please contact Mrs Alison Evans on middle@as.edu.au.

I know that the tyranny of distance can be a daunting issue, but I do think it’s important that you attend if you can. As I’ve indicated before, you know your sons far better than we are able to and as such you can assist us to help the boys in that you can possibly shed light on situations that teachers, after this time, characterise. In addition to getting to know your son’s teachers better it’s also a really good idea that you have the opportunity to speak about him as an individual. One of the wonderful aspects of Middle School life it’s size and our consequent ability to deal with individual academic difference with reasonable ease. So, I’m looking forward to welcoming as many of you as possible to TAS next week.

Mr Mark Harrison
Head of Middle School
Activities Day

Last Friday was our first Activities Day for the year and the focus was on the theme of Sustainability. It was a fantastic opportunity for our students to work together to increase their understanding of many of the concepts relating to making our environment healthier and ways in which they can assist this to occur. Working across age groups in their Houses in rotation, provided a great vehicle for mentoring and the exchange of ideas and this was clearly evident throughout the day.

The day concluded with a short contribution to the Clean Up Australia campaign again reinforcing our commitment to making this world a better place to live.

SRC

Last Monday was the first of our regular meetings in Junior School, and our House leaders proposed many fantastic ideas for consideration. Primarily, we are looking to increase the number of participants who attend these meetings to create a solid base from which to expand this body and more information will be coming to all students soon. At home, please discuss the idea of contributing to the school SRC, as we are keen for all to be welcome to attend.

The Armidale Show

I was very happy to see the number of Show entries from TAS and the enthusiastic level of support from our school for the Armidale Show. You will see an extensive list of results below, indicating just how well our students have done. Supporting local events such as this is very important and I thank the staff and parents who encouraged their children to participate. Year 4 was also fortunate enough to take part in a live school performance which they thoroughly enjoyed and a report from Dimity Chalmers has been included about their visit.
Autumn Festival – Saturday 14 March

Junior School will be participating en masse in this year’s Autumn Festival, along with representatives from many areas across the Middle and Senior School. With the theme focussing on the Centenary of the Gallipoli Landing, we are encouraging as many students as we can to parade ensuring we have healthy numbers to enjoy the fun of the parade. Details are yet to be released, but as in previous years we assume we will meet in Beardy St (opposite TAFE) at 12.15 pm. Please pencil this into your calendars now and further details re uniform etc. will be sent home soon.

Minimbah Primary School

Each year, we join with Senior and Middle School students in a program that develops mutual understanding and cooperation between Minimbah and ourselves, allowing our students to experience opportunities for increased understanding and sharing of cultures. This Thursday we host an indigenous dancer and performer, Gwenda Stanley, who portrays her own culture through dance story, artefacts and language. We are very happy to have the senior students from Minimbah joining us on Thursday for lunch and this presentation and look forward to further opportunity to combine in such a collegial way.

IB Visit to Trinity Grammar in Sydney

As part of our induction into the PYP program, three of our teachers will be travelling to Sydney to initiate what will be a number of visits between the two schools as part of our commitment towards authorisation. Mrs Anne Hine, Mrs Lucy Adams and Mrs Tania Ball will be hosted by the Trinity staff at their campuses providing the opportunity for investigating and experiencing the feel of IB in the classroom, along with the chance to talk to teachers. We thank Trinity for their hospitality, and look forward to learning more about the IB program in action.

Looking ahead

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Happy Birthday

This week we wish a very Happy Birthday to Millie Coupland.

Uniform

The Junior School is doing it’s best to ensure the school uniform is worn correctly and we would like the support for families as we endeavour to change poor practice that is creeping in.

Shirts need to be tucked in, socks need to be pulled up, ties worn correctly.

Our uniform shows pride in our school and ourselves.

Student Absences

Please note that it would be appreciated if parents would contact the Junior School to advise of student illness, family holidays or appointments. This enables us to keep an accurate record of our students’ attendances.
ICAS Competitions

The date for ordering these competitions is approaching and so I refer you to the letter sent previously requesting that you contact us if you do not want your child to participate. As explained, the value of this competition lies not in the content being covered or the comparison of performance, as the cohort varies so much. While there is some diagnostic value from which we draw, it is a good experience of exam like conditions and recognises those who do perform well in the wider community.

Lost Property

On swimming championships day, Lance Latham has taken home a second hand pair of shorts with the name of ‘Flynn’ on them. Lance’s shorts were new and named. If you know the location of these shorts would you please return them to the Junior School.

Armidale Show Results

TAS have had some wonderful results at the Armidale Show, children who entered should feel very proud of themselves.

Ryan Sharkey - Other Mixed Media 8yrs and under - 3rd place
Alistair Newton - Drawing 9-11 years - 2nd place
Toby Ford - Drawing - 9-11 years - 3rd place
Harry Pennington - Drawing 9-11 years - 1st Place
Lance Latham – Drawing - 3rd place
Sam Strelitz – Drawing - 1st place
Xavier Stephens – Pre School painting - 2nd place
Oliver Robb – Pre School painting - 3rd place
Cameron Carruthers – Pre School drawing - 2nd Place
Jack Wood – Pre School drawing - 3rd place
Edwina Newton – Pre School colouring in - 3rd place
Dimity Chalmers – Lino print - 1st and champion for the section
Hugh Taylor - 8-10 years painting - 1st place
Toby Inglis - 8-10 years painting - 2nd place
Charlie Repin - 8-10 years 3D construction - 2nd place
Joshua Pongrass - 8-10 years 3D construction - 3rd place
Peter Evans - Grand Champion Exhibit Section 11 Parts 1-3 16 Years and Under for ‘Soldier’

Section 11, Part 2 3D Anzac tribute for ‘Soldier’ - 1st place
Lego Construction - 1st place
Ceramic Platter Children’s pottery section - 3rd place
Junior Whip Cracking - 3rd place

Mitchell Evans

Junior Drawing 6 Years and Under for ‘Uluru’ - 1st place
Running race - 2nd place
Lego Construction - 3rd place

Ruby Straker

Section 12 Class 16 – Animal Photo-Under 12 years - 1st place
Section 11 Class 28- Model Construction- Under 16 years - First Prize
Section 13 Class 22 – Junior Painting 9- 11 years - First Prize
Section 13 Class 23- Drawing 9- 11 years - First Prize

Millie Coupland - Under 8’s Pottery - 1st place
Harrison Ditchfield- ANAZC section- lego construction - 2nd prize
Hudson Eichorn- lego construction- 2nd prize, pumpkin - 1st prize
Casey Smith- lego construction - 3rd prize
Joshua Miron- wooded construction - 2nd prize
Marcus Hempel- model construction -1st prize and Champion Prize

Armidale Show excursion: Year 4

Today Year 4 went to the Armidale show where we talked about shearing. We actually got a demonstration. Lots of students in our class made a good process with their entries. Some of the class got a balloon or a lollipop. We fed some animals in the poultry building. There were cows, sheep, ducks, chickens and even kittens that most of the class loved. We walked there and back. It was loads of fun. I hope that we can go next year.

By Emily Buntine
On Friday Year 4 went to the showground. We went to see if any of the students had won something. These are the students who won a prize. Dimity Chalmers came first and champion in the 12-14 years section and year four also received prizes for two dioramas and some aboriginal artwork that we had done in class.

When we got there, we saw a show that was all about wool and sheep.

We were presented with a book for the library called “Woolsheds” by Andrew Chapman.

Year 4 had a great time.

By Dimity Chalmers

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Premiers Reading Challenge 2015

We are again running the PRC in 2015. Even though the Challenge officially runs from 1 March to 28 August, books read from 2 September 2014 can be counted towards this years challenge.

If you would like to have a go at the 2015 PRC please come and see myself, Mrs Allan or Mrs Ramazani in the Library so we can give you a permission note for your parent/guardian to sign giving you permission to participate in the Challenge this year.

If you are new to TAS but have completed the challenge before at another school, I will need to know which school it was and your password details so I can change you over to TAS. The booklets for the 2015 PRC will be handed out to those who have handed in a permission note.

The PRC website has all the details and book lists for you to look up HERE.

One very important rule to remember is about the series books - In an approved series, any two books from the series can be read as part of official PRC reading. Up to five other books from the same series can be read as personal choice books.

We keep a full copy of the book lists in the Library for K-2, 3-4, 5-6 & 7-9 challenge lists. We have also marked the books which we have from the lists with a PRC sticker - the K-2 stickers are red, the 3-4 stickers are green and the 5-6 stickers are purple and are located on the spine towards the bottom of the book. If you don’t know what to look for just ask Mrs Allan, Mrs Ramazani or myself and we will be able to help you.

I will be entering the books online for you from your reading log. From March, it would be helpful if you could bring your reading log to the Library during your weekly Library lesson so I can check on your progress and enter the books you have read. If any parents have any questions you can email me on jranck@as.edu.au, phone the Library 6776 5833 or call into the Library and see me on Monday, Tuesday and every second Wednesday. All the information, rules & book lists can be obtained on the above website.

Happy reading everyone!

Mrs Janine Ranck
PRC Coordinator
A closer look at PYP in Year 2

At this stage of the term, Year 2 are fully engaged in their unit of inquiry, which Mr Portell has creatively linked to English through the picture book ‘All Creatures Great and Small’. The Year 2 assembly on Wednesday showcased a transdisciplinary approach with musical items, art works and stories all connected to the central idea: People can establish practices in order to sustain and maintain the Earth’s resources, which comes under the Transdisciplinary Theme: Sharing The Planet.

The students have explored the following areas in relation to sustainability: transport, electricity, food and rubbish. Each student selected an area they wanted to explore further and then worked in groups to complete an action research.

The research involved looking at ‘A Plan for Change’. The following questions were addressed in small groups: Why do we need to do things better? What are some changes we could make? Who would help us make a change? What are the main things we will do? (our Key Action) and How will we know if our Key Action has worked?

Finders Ward's Plan for Change

Mrs Veronica Waters
PYP Coordinator
Gymnastics

Our group was quite a bit smaller this week due to some students representing the school for swimming in Lismore, despite our smaller numbers the enthusiasm remained high.

Warm ups were completed in circuit format with bars, trampoline and pit and rolling activities used to warm bodies up. All had great focus as our necks, wrists, heels, legs and ankles were warmed up through a series of stretches.

After our warm up activities our groups rotated through three different stations.

Station 1- Balancing on the high beans and walking half way prior to turning on the beam. There certainly was great concentration for this activity. This group then completed some tricky ball bounces.

Station 2- Gliding on the bars with a focus on correct landing techniques, which was followed by pommel swings.

Station 3 - Spring and land activities using the mini trampoline.

Mrs Veronica Waters

TAS White and TAS Blue Miniball

In Miniball this week TAS Blue and TAS White combined to play a town mixed team. This week due to NCIS Swimming in Lismore both teams were a couple of players short but that did not deter us from re-grouping and putting in a splendid effort together to form one team. Combining our teams proved to be no obstacle for either team as we always train together on Wednesdays. This week our passing game was a stand out feature. Special mentions in the TAS Blue cohort go to Jasper O’Neil for his positional play and overall enthusiasm for the game. Emily Buntine was there in attack and defence as needed, slotting a fine basket from a fast break and was always encouraging her team. Conal Nicoll was a very hard working player as usual with many breaks made down the court. TAS White players were also impressive with improvement showing in each game. Flynn Broadfoot was the highest scorer for TAS, however would not have had so many good opportunities had it not been for Jonathan Harris’ and Alex Webber’s defence and fast break tactics. Michael Janda put into practice his improved understanding of the game and played positive strong defence.

It was lovely to witness again great sportsmanship and inclusion for all of our TAS students.

Ms Tabitha Dowse and Mr Alex Portell

Armidale District Netball Association

Come & Try Sessions

WHEN
Saturday 7th March @ 11.30am
Saturday 21st March @ 11.30am
Saturday 28th March @ 11.30 am

WHERE
Cnr Kelly’s Plains & Lynches Rd
ARMIDALE NSW 2350

The ADNA net set program starts 2nd May 2015.
Register online before 28th March to receive a Gilbert netball and ANZ NetSetGO t-shirt
Registrations are open NOW

Visit www.adna.net.au
for more information
ATTENTION ALL HOCKEY PLAYERS OR POTENTIAL FUTURE PLAYERS

Hockey NSW has released a new program for U9s and U11s for 2015 (for players born 2004-2007).

The 4 week program will be run by current NSW HockeyEd accredited Coaches and a fantastic opportunity for players of all levels. Whether you’re getting started or a future superstar, we’ll make sure you have fun, learn new skills, advance your basic skills and take your game to the next level.

Go to www.hockeynsw.com.au to register.
Registrations will close on the 28th February 2015
Entrants also have a chance to win 1 of 20 Kookaburra Pro Player Promotional Packs valued at $600. Register before the 13.2.15 to double your chance of winning.

Places are limited so don't miss your opportunity to be a part of the fun prior to the 2015 season.

Looking forward to seeing you there!

WHERE: HNE Hockey Complex, UNE

WHEN: Tuesday’s, 10th, 17th, 24th & 31st March 2015

TIME: U9s: 4pm to 5pm   U11s: 5pm to 6:30pm

COST: U9s: $68.90   U11s: $92.00   (inc. GST and IMG fee)

REGISTRATIONS CLOSE: 28th February, no late registrations will be accepted

REGISTER AT www.hockeynsw.com.au

CONTACT: Blair Chalmers   e: blair.c@hockeynsw.com.au   p: 0447 186 477
Campus City Canter

The Campus City Canter is on again, on Saturday 14 March. The Canter is a fundraiser for the local SES. Participants walk, jog or run the 5km from the University playing fields into Civic Park, along the cycleway. This is a family event for people of all ages and abilities, from competitive runners to people who just enjoy a healthy morning walk. The entry fee is only $5 per person. (For the safety and convenience of others, dogs and bikes are not allowed.)

For news and updates, find us on Facebook, at https://www.facebook.com/Campus.Canter. You can help spread the word through the community by Liking and sharing the Facebook page.


Take your completed form either to the Armidale Express office in Faulkner St, opposite the town library, or to SportUNE, to pay your $5 entry fee and pick up your number.

The starter’s gun goes at 8.00am. There’ll be warm-up music provided by Sport UNE. Afterwards, you might enjoy the Pancake Breakfast in Civic Park, to the sounds of the Armidale City Band. It’s all part of the Armidale Autumn Festival.

Enquiries: Martin Auster 6772 1041 or 0411249 436
Armidale Junior Cricket will hold selection trials for representative teams for next season.

Tuesday 17th March @ 4pm and Sunday 22nd March @ 10am
Registration begins 30 mins prior to commencement.

Trials will be held at the following venues:
* Under 12s to 14s: Harris Park
* Under 15s & 16s: Sportsground nets

Age is taken at 31 August 2015

Interested players must attend at least one trial day.

For further information contact Michael Dennis Ph: 0402 339 095 or email michael.and.helen13@gmail.com
Cricket NSW Presents
Country Cricket Blitz Tour 2015
With

Lisa Sthalekar
NSW Breakers Captain &
Aust. South Stars World Champion

THURSDAY 12th March - ARMINDALE

Events Program Armidale Thursday 12th March 2015

9.30am – 2.30pm

2015 World Cup Challenge
Milo T20 Blast Cup for year 3-4 & 5-6
@ Harris Park

4.00pm to 6.00pm

TAS Player Development Clinic
With Lisa at the TAS Cricket Net complex

Coach the Coaches

Session 5.30pm to 7.00pm

Armidale DCA extends and invitation for all interested cricket coaches and school cricket co-ordinators to attend the TAS Player Development Clinic which will start at 4pm join us when you can by 5.30pm for the Coach the Coaches session.

For further information or nominate teams - call Kath Barber CNSW – 0425 297 722