Cricket Season

A very successful 2014/15 cricket season is drawing to a close and there has been plenty of excitement at all levels as it does. The TOAD Cup which has been competed at First XI level between TAS, O'Connor, Armidale High and Duval for some years was extended to include a junior competition for students up to Year 9 in 2015 and TAS enjoyed a good victory in the final against Duval last Friday night under lights at the Sports Ground. Two days later, four TAS cricketers were presented with special awards at the Armidale cricket presentations on Sunday night and I offer congratulations to Cotter Litchfield, Wally Davidson, Nick Farrar and Henry Smith on this community recognition of their efforts.

The final big event of the season will be the First XI grand final to be played at Lambert Park on Saturday afternoon and I wish the team well in their tussle with the ever competitive Hillgrove side.

Campus to City Canter

The Campus to City Canter fun run from UNE to the centre of Armidale traditionally prepares the way for the Autumn Parade and TAS featured strongly in the field again this year with a team of 44 keen runners. Master in Charge of Triathlon and organiser of our team, Jim Pennington, has reported on the TAS results later in this edition of TAS Talks and I leave the majority of the individual recognitions to him. It is fitting though to offer special congratulations to Joe Makeham. In his final event as a schoolboy, Joe was first across the line, leading some 600 competitors and taking the trophy for the fifth successive year. The consistency of this high achievement sets his performance apart from others and he will be remembered in the record books.

Autumn Parade

The 2015 Armidale Autumn Parade joined the WWI commemorations in choosing as its theme the recognition of the centenary of the Gallipoli landing. With TAS Old Boys so significantly represented in that fateful campaign it was appropriate that TAS was on show in good style, with both our history and current practices represented through cadets in current and historical uniform and Junior School recognising their part in our continuing traditions.

NCIS Football Championships

TAS had the privilege of hosting the North Coast Independent Schools Football Championships last week and I offer thanks to all schools who travelled up the hill from the coast to play. The NCIS carnival, for boys and girls at secondary and primary level, is the vehicle for selecting the combined NCIS team that will compete against the likes of the combined GPS, CAS and ICES teams at the Combined Independent Schools championships in Sydney.

TAS played well to be placed second overall and I offer congratulations to Euan Spiers, Angus Lloyd, Jarrod Bourke, Michael Klepzig, Alex Boulus, and Cai Spiers who have selected in the combined NCIS team.

Once Upon a Mattress

Our major musical production for the year, Once Upon a Mattress, opened last Friday night to great reviews and the report from our Head of Creative Arts, Andrew O'Connell, can be found in this edition of TAS Talks, complete with photos. As Andrew reports, tickets for the final shows later this week are selling well and I encourage parents, students, friends of the School and theatre lovers to take advantage of that.

TAS has a very long and rich history of musical productions and I am encouraged to see that continue with such quality this year. I am also reminded each year at Old Boys’ functions how much the experience of being involved is remembered and how much it meant to those who were, whether they were leading players, in the chorus or back stage. We are very fortunate to have both a wonderful facility to stage shows such as Once Upon a Mattress and the culture of mass involvement and quality performance to carry it off. I wish all involved well for the remainder of the season.
### Week 8
- **Thursday 19 March**
  - Year 7 Vaccinations
  - Once Upon a Mattress performance
  - 12.30pm Round 1 CIS Knockout Football

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

- **Saturday 21 March**
  - Year 11 Mother & Son Weekend
  - Once Upon a Mattress performances

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

### Week 9
- **Primary Industries - Year 12 Workplacement - All Week**
  - 24 - 25 March
  - Junior School Parent Teacher Interviews

- **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

- **27 - 29 March**
  - Pre Season Football, Athletics and Rugby (Scots)

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

### Week 10
- **Monday 30 March**
  - Year 9 Parent Teacher interviews
  - Founders Day
  - 1.10pm Great Cloisters Run

- **Tuesday 31 March**
  - Year 9 Parent Teacher interviews
  - Junior School Athletics Championships
  - Board Meetings
  - 6.00pm TAS Cricket Dinner (McConville Centre)

- **Wednesday 1 April**
  - MS/SS Athletics Championships

- **Thursday 2 April**
  - Staff Day

- **Friday 3 April**
  - Good Friday

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### CO-EDUCATION CONSULTATION

**Reminder**

All TAS stakeholders have been emailed an electronic survey as the final step in the consultation process.

Please fill in your survey prior to the closing date Sunday 22 March.

If you have any questions or would like to comment further we invite you to contact consult@as.edu.au or phone our dedicated number 0487 549 477.

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### POSTPONEMENT NOTICE

**Father/Son and Mother/Son weekends postponed**

Due to the promise of huge rainfall (Fathers) and double booking of the venue (Mothers), with of these events have had to be postponed.

I’m looking at a very busy Term 2 to see where we might fit these in and will email parents when I’ve worked it out.

Mr Martin Levins
Liaison Parents Welcome Lunch

For each student year group, volunteer liaison parents help co-ordinate the P&F efforts throughout the year as well as arranging social events and get-togethers for families. This network provides parents with the opportunity to contribute to the life of the school in a meaningful way.

We will be holding a welcome lunch for all Liaison Parents on Monday 30 March – keep an eye out for your invitation later this week (…and if you are expecting one and don't receive one via email, please get in touch with me quickly!)

Term 1 is fast coming to a close and I’m sure everyone will be ready for the break. But, before we can relax and regroup we have the Junior School and Middle/Senior Athletics Carnivals and we’d love your help to feed all of our children with some special treats.

Home-made or store bought, it rarely makes a difference, but our involvement is what makes it special for our children, even if they don’t tell you!

Please make yourself known to your Liaison Parent and let them know how you would like to help – perhaps you can spare an hour or two on the day to help out selling the goodies, or perhaps you can send in some treats to sell. All monies raised go into the kitty to help support many different areas of the school.

TAS Rugby Carnival

This major event in the School calendar will be taking place on the last weekend of the April School Holidays – 18/19 April. The P&F historically takes responsibility for feeding the hungry crowds including over 1200 players and coaches, plus a very busy canteen in the McConville Centre.

The JRC is a huge event that showcases our school and provides us as the P&F an extraordinary opportunity to raise funds which will go to projects that benefit our entire school community. Any assistance that you can provide on that weekend, anything at all, will be gratefully accepted and we will be looking for this commitment in principle over the coming few weeks. Please email me at sue_333@me.com with details of how you would like to help, and one of our team will be in touch with you.

This includes a commitment to bake (or buy) cakes, slices, biscuits and soups for sale, time working on the canteen and also time helping to assemble and distribute player lunches.

Community Service hours for boys will also be available for those who are interested. Boys, please contact Ms Boydell ASAP to register your interest.

NSW Parents Council - Parents’ Congress

The NSW Parents Council is the premier lobby group for parents of children in independent schools in NSW, and on Sunday 8 March I attended the live feed of the Parents’ Congress in the McConville Centre. This event was live streamed to a number of locations through NSW and there was an opportunity beforehand to put forward questions to guide the panels.

The two separate panels provided insights into parenting techniques and education policy, and was a very thought provoking two hours provided by an interesting range of panellists and facilitated by Bernard Salt who kept everyone on track. Also featured was the launch of Engaging with Diversity project. If you would like to see the webcast, CLICK HERE
Easter is coming… Hebrews 10:1-7

About this time last year, a young man from TAS came up to me and asked, “What are you giving up for Lent?” Fair question, but quite unexpected, not many people know of Lent, less people bother with it. It’s a time when Christians have traditionally given up something, often for 40 days, as they lead up to Easter, as a way of focusing their attention on Jesus and what he has achieved on the cross. Not a bad idea. So I looked up a few things that people are giving up these days, or at least things that people are doing for lent. The following are some ideas:

- Don’t eat the last bite of your food
- Park at the very back of the parking lot
- Don’t use your apps
- Cut out all screen-time (phone, TV, computer) after dinner
- Sit and stand up straight – don’t slouch! It sounds like my mother wrote these ideas…until I got to the next one
- Don’t use utensils
- Put a popcorn kernel in your shoe every day
- When you wake up, jump out of bed, kiss the floor, and learn humility, or in my case flexibility
- Use your weekends to babysit for free – don’t get me wrong but if you offer to babysit our kids for nothing, I’m going to be suspicious…

- Don’t straighten or curl your hair - Toaks has been practicing Lent for a while it seems…

If you have had your eyes open you will have noticed that the supermarkets have been full of Hot Cross Buns and Easter Bunnies for some time now… it seems that we have been leading up to Easter for more than the 40 days prior to the 5 April date this year. In fact the more we look, the more we notice that it’s not just the supermarkets that have been leading up to Easter for some time. Before Jesus came and lived and died and rose again, the Jews had been longing to see the one who would come and fulfil all that the Old Testament had been looking forward to. All things in Scripture are and were geared towards the Easter event. In fact all things are geared to this event, for in it God fulfills his promises, and provides what is needed to restore this messy world. All things in life scream at us of something bigger and more significant than our selves, the mess in the world and in our lives speaks to us of the need for restoration. All these things find their answer in the Easter event, and it’s not an egg shaped answer, but rather a cross-shaped solution.
Year 9 Parent Teacher Interviews

Year 9 Parent Teacher Interviews are planned for Monday 30 March from 3:30pm - 6:00pm and Tuesday 6 March from 1:30pm - 5:30pm and will be held in the Memorial Hall. User Name and Passwords will be emailed to parents this week.

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 Monday 30 March at 6.15pm and Friday 31 March at 11.45am These information sessions will be held in Big School and conducted by Mrs Wark, Director of Studies.

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 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

Narrabri Field Trip

The Year 12 field trip to Narrabri last week was a great success, covering a vast amount of information in a memorable way. We learnt about farming, ginning, marketing, classing, research and development and a great deal more.

Special thanks to Bruce Finney for his expertise, to Debb Finney for providing us with an excellent dinner and to Old Boys Daniel and Sam Kahl for their guided tour around ‘Glencoe’.

Ms Fiona Taber

Easter HSC Revision

Easter HSC Revision Programs by Sci School are running 13-17 April. Lectures are live-streamed and accessible from any broadband-connected desktop or mobile device. Covering HSC Mathematics 2 Unit, Ext. 1 (3 Unit), Ext. 2 (4 Unit), Physics and Chemistry, these fully-interactive lectures will equip Year 12 students to revise this term and get ahead for next. To register or find out more, visit scischool.com.au.

Ms Amanda Robin

Linguistics Olympiad

Year 10 team tackles an Old English problem. Mike Nyathi, Caton Lupica, Sinclair Moore, David Wu.

Languages presented in the Linguistics Olympiad last Thursday included Danish, Swedish, Finnish, Latin, French, Catalan and Romanian. They also had to deal with Georgian Script and the first runic alphabet ‘Elther Futhark’ the language of the Vikings. All four teams will find out their results next week. Congratulations to all team members and their fantastic effort:

Hadrian Wright, Felix Gifford, Dane Townsend, Liam Kennedy, James Gilson, Jacob Hunt, Hugh Morton, Lachlan Tonkin, Sam Jeyakumar, Nick Moar, Nick Bohlsen, Owen Chandler, Sinclair Moore, David Wu, Caton Lupica and Mike Nyathi.

Ms Catherine Boydell
FIJI SERVICE TRIP 2015

Fiji Service Trip
Friday 18 - Monday 28 September, 2015

ST CHRISTOPHER’S HOME

St Christopher’s is a Home run by an Anglican Order of nuns – Community of the Sacred Name. The majority of the children at the Home are orphans and the other children are there because they have been abused, neglected or abandoned by their families. The Sisters are amazing women who are constantly giving and caring for these children. The staff from TAS, PLC and NEGS fully support the efforts of the students as they seek to make possible their involvement in this trip by raising funds towards their work at the Home.

Our intention is to offer ourselves in service to St Christopher’s in any way we can while we are at the Home. Thus, we will participate in the upkeep and daily maintenance of the Home and offer friendship to the children. We hope to extend some love and kindness, through our presence. For ourselves, apart from this voluntary service, we look forward to experiencing a different cultural environment, gaining a better understanding of ourselves, and learning to consider the needs of others.

The aims of this service opportunity are:

• To give voluntary service
• To experience and participate in a culture different to our own
• To gain a better understanding of ourselves
• To live and work together, learning how to consider one another’s needs
• To experience overseas travel

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Open to Year 8 in 2015. Please complete the online application form located on the TAS website to express your interest in the Fiji Service Trip. You will be notified if your application is successful.

Cost
$2750 (Approx) – Includes airfares, ten nights accommodation and all meals at St Christopher’s Home, travel insurance and departure tax, all activities and day trips.

Deposit
A deposit of $500 is required following acceptance of your application.

Dates
Friday 18 September to Monday 28 September, 2015.

Information Evening
An information evening will be scheduled after all successful applicants have been notified.

For more information about this service project please contact:

Service Coordinator
Ms Fiona Taber
Tel: 02 6776 5800
Email: ftaber@as.edu.au
Web: www.as.edu.au
Destination Dreaming – Indigenous Perspectives Project 2015 for Round Square schools in the Australia & SE Asia region

Round Square schools of the Australasia & East Asia region are invited to join the Indigenous Perspectives Project (IPP), facilitated by Destination Dreaming, with student bursary support by Friends of Round Square.

The IPP will give your students an opportunity to work with and learn from an Indigenous community in our region. This will offer a wide cultural mix of Round Square students from our region. We also offer 2 Staff Volunteer positions, with on-ground expenses paid.

Who will participate
Senior Students (over 16 years old). 16 Students, 1 Facilitator (from Destination Dreaming) and 2 Volunteer Staff.

Program itinerary
This Project will be a seven day program from 22 - 28 June 2015, run on location on Minjerribah, N.Stradbroke Island, QLD. Each of the Round Square IDEALS will be explored in an interactive way. See www.forsaust.org.au Project Flyer

Cost per student
$1700 per student including all on-land costs from Brisbane PLUS airfares. Students will organise their own flights. A deposit of $500 payable by 1 May, and the balance due 31 May.

Bursaries for students
FORS will offer $500, to eligible students who need assistance. See www.forsaust.org site for details.

Application and Administration
Reps to send the completed Participant Form, and a letter of recommendation from the Headmaster or RS Rep, and Deposit Form to robyn.angus64@gmail.com by 1 May, 2015.

We hope you can be part of this special experience...

Please see Mrs Barnier or Mr Buntine (Round Square Representatives) to discuss this further.

Round Square International Conference 2015 – United World Colleges of South East Asia (UWCSEA), Singapore

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
Cadet Activity Day 2 - 19 - 20 March

Activity Day 2 commences with a back brief by the SUO and Coy Commanders to the CO MAJ Thatcher on Monday 16 March at 1.15pm.

Orders will be delivered to all cadets on Tuesday 17 March during Period 3 (normally Assembly).

Cadets in 2, 5, 7, 8 & 9 Platoon will attend an overnight bivouac on Thursday night 19 March.

Dismissal for all cadets will be at 3.30pm Friday.

A Coy

1 Platoon - Gara Gorge
Abseiling
Roping Acty
RATEL
Parade 8.40am Friday
Dismissal 3.30pm

2 Platoon - Mt Duval
Overnight Bivouac
Parade 3.45pm Thursday
Dismissal 3.30pm Friday

3 Platoon - Dumaresq Dam
Canoeing
River Crossing
Fieldcraft Exercises
Parade 8.40am Friday
Dismissal 3.30pm

B Coy

4 Platoon - Dumaresq Dam
Canoeing
Water Safety / Survival
First Aid / RATEL
Tri-Lesson (2)
Field Cooking
Parade 8.40am Friday
Dismissal 3.30pm

5 Platoon - Peatfields Overflow (Little Mt Duval)
Overnight Bivouac
Parade 3.45pm Thursday
Dismissal 3.30pm Friday

6 Platoon - UNE Property ‘Kirby’
Navigation Training
Team Building Ex
Tri-Lesson (2)
RATEL
Parade 8.40am Friday
Dismissal 3.30pm

C Coy

7, 8 & 9 Platoon - UNE Property ‘Kirby’
Overnight Bivouac
Parade 3.45pm Thursday
Dismissal 3.30pm Friday

Mr Trevor Thatcher
Major (AAC)
Commanding Officer
C Company

C Company made a good start to their training program on Activities Day 1, with raft building being a highlight. Our next Activities Day is coming up at the end of this week and for this one, we will be camping out overnight on Thursday then training throughout the day on Friday. The boys will need to bring their gear with them to school on Thursday and change into uniform at lunch. Each platoon was briefed about what to bring and timings on Tuesday but just in case the list hasn't made it … here it is.

Basic field webbing, notebook/pen/pencil, 2 full water bottles, cadet jumper, raincoat/poncho, hootchie plus cord, 6 tent pegs, ground sheet, sleeping bag, warm clothes to sleep in, kidney cup, knife, fork, spoon, mug, torch, beanie if cold, Insect repellent (no aerosols), sunscreen, underwear & toiletries, thermal.

Ms Fiona Taber
OIC C Company

Year 6 Rangers

Year 6 Rangers will be heading out on their second activities day this Friday, 20 March. This will be the first day in the field.

All information can be found on the Rangers Website.

Pioneers

This Activities Day is overnight, departing TAS on Thursday afternoon for the Styx River.

On the previous Tuesday, the boys were issued with their tent and backpack, and given some pointers on fitting their pack for maximum safety & comfort (there's a basic video linked here).

Pioneers are to meet at the Pioneers Shed as close to 4pm as possible Thursday.

On arrival Thursday evening, they will set up their tents and cook their meal (they'll have food and recipes provided), and ready themselves for the next day where they'll look at team building and navigation exercises.

Martin Levins
MIC

UNIFORM REGULATIONS

As outlined in the Rules and Regulations which can be found on the website, the School expects its students to wear their full school uniform correctly and with pride and sets high standards for students both in public and at school. During the school day students arriving and departing grounds must wear a blazer and Akubra hat unless given approval otherwise; shirts must be tucked in and socks pulled up.

This includes all boys who are delivered to school by parents, as well as those who walk or arrive by bus.

It is also an expectation of the school that uniform and shoes will be clean and in good repair, and that only approved TAS backpacks be used as school bags.

The support of families in abiding by these regulations is expected and appreciated.
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

Autumn Festival

TAS was represented in Saturday’s Autumn Festival parade, which this year focused on the centenary of the Gallipoli landing.

Twenty five boys from the cadet unit took part, either marching proudly behind the unit’s SUO Nick Finney, or as one of six banner-bearers for the pipe bands taking part. A special mention to Henry Claridge, Nicholas Finney, Will Grant, Ryan Mitchell and Thomas Price who had only a few hours earlier, competed for the TAS team in the Campus to City Canter.

A large number of boys and girls from Junior School carried balloons and waved to the crowd as they walked behind a bright new banner with teachers. Cut-out Flanders poppies made by children decorated the bus which drove behind the children.

Many thanks to all the students (and staff) who took part, and the families that helped get them ready.

Henry and Will Claridge with their sisters. Will wore the uniform from the 12th Australian Light Horse, donated to the school by Maj W Upjohn

TAS cadets provided the banner bearers for the pipe bands

TAS Junior School

TAS Cadets

Smiles for the crowds
Have a go

It was fantastic to see so many boys participating in the Athletics pre-events last Thursday. Even the 16’s Yellow cricketers snuck in their 400 metres before training – clearly not to their detriment as they went on to record stunning victories against Duval in the Junior TOAD Cup and in their Final against Hillgrove. Of course the seasoned athletes relished the opportunity to strive for new records, or at least a PB, whilst others were content just getting out there and having a go; not deterred by the prospect of finishing last, nor fearful of hitting the bar or landing short of the pit.

It says a lot about the character of these boys but it is says much more about the culture of TAS. These boys overcome their fears through their inbuilt resilience and determination. However, they are confident doing so because of the encouragement they receive from their peers and their teachers. They race with the same determination yet seem to manage a wider smile at the finish line. Whilst we applaud excellence we celebrate all athletes who are willing to compete.

Pre-events continue this Thursday 19 March. I realise that Year 7s and some of year 8 will be out on activities. They will have an opportunity to catch up on their events on Thursday 26. Likewise, if you are scheduled to be out on Thursday 26, you should endeavour to do your event this week. Simply approach the staff member at the particular event and they will be happy for you to have a go.
Acropolis Cup

On Saturday the TAS First XI played in the under 19’s Acropolis Cup. The first game was against Armidale and proved to be the toughest of the day, we went down 3-0. The second game was against Tamworth and after letting in three goals we fought back to make it 3-1 with a great goal from Euan Spiers. The final game of the day was against Northern Tablelands and was by far our best performance. We dominated possession in the first half but couldn’t find the back of the next but created a number of chances. In the second half Euan Spiers struck again and shortly after Liam Cooper scored to give us a 2-0 win. Congratulations to the team and a special mention to KB Fergusson, Lachlan Knowles, Angus Webber, and Hunter Hine who all competed in the Campus to City Canter in the morning before the three games.

Mr Christian Nexo

Junior TOAD Cup victory

Congratulations to our Junior TOAD Cup team with their victory over Duval High School at the Armidale Sports Ground on Friday night. Duval batted first and they were restricted to a score of 51 in the 18th over. Best bowling performances were Cotter Litchfield with the amazing figures of 3 wickets for 4 runs, Sterling George 2 for 8, Ryan Schmitt 2 for 12 and Ben Hamparsum with a wicket from his only ball bowled. The fielding was excellent, especially from Nick Corderoy with 3 catches and a run out.

TAS batted cautiously at first, and they past the score in the 13th over with the loss of 2 wickets. Henry Smith remained 26 not out and captain Nick Farrar, was out for 18.

Nick Farrar was presented with the Junior TOAD Cup and Henry Smith was presented with a trophy for the Player of the Tournament.

Mr Allan Moore

Armidale Junior Cricket Presentation Day

The following boys received awards at the Junior Cricket presentations on Sunday. Although cricket is a team sport, these players were recognised for their achievements this season.

Cotter Litchfield - Armidale player of the Under 12 Lismore Carnival

Wally Davidson – Armidale player of the Under 15 Walter Taylor Shield

Nick Farrar – Under 16 Armidale Representative Player of the Year

Henry Smith – The Armidale Junior Cricketer of the Year. This is the major award at the Presentation Day.

Congratulations to these boys and to all TAS cricketers for a very successful and enjoyable season.

First XI Cricket Grand Final

Don’t forget to come and support our First XI as they play in the 2nd Grade Grand Final of the Senior Armidale & District Cricket Competition against Hillgrove at 12:45pm this Saturday 21 March at Lambert Park (opposite the Armidale Hospital). Our boys would appreciate the support for this important match.
Under 16s

Under 16 Yellow achieved a great victory in the grand final against Hillgrove last Saturday morning.

Playing on their home ground at Wakefield, TAS lost the toss (again) and were in the field for the first 25 overs. There were some fine bowling performances by Sterling George (3 for 1 off two overs), who at one stage was on a hat trick, Liam Donaldson (1 for 9 of five overs), and Nick Farrar (2 for 1 off five overs), and the fielding was very sharp.

Set 95 to win in 25 overs, TAS got off to a solid start, and never looked in doubt to make the runs in the allotted overs. Kieran Dennis opened the batting, and carried his bat to finish on 25 not out, and Dan Lethbridge brought a bit of fire to the middle, starting his innings with a first ball six over midwicket.

Mr David Toakley

Football

The football season is well and truly underway and the winter competition hasn’t even started yet. TAS hosted the NCIS Football Championships last Wednesday with 19 teams from seven schools competing across four divisions. The carnival, which TAS has hosted for the third consecutive year, included some 200 players. Six boys from the TAS First XI will go on to play for the North Coast Independent Schools squad, as will one student from the primary team. The day was an enormous success and my sincere thanks are offered to all who assisted on the day, particularly Chet Davies, George Frost and staff for their presentation of the School and fields on the day. The grounds looked an absolute treat and this was commented on by many.

Our First XI footballers put in a great show in the U19s Acropolis Cup on Saturday. After going down 3-0 to Armidale in their first game, the second game was against Tamworth and after letting in three goals TAS fought back to make it 3-1 with a great goal from Euan Spiers. The team then won its final game against Northern Tablelands 2-0, with goals from Euan Spiers and Liam Cooper. Well done to the team and a special mention KB Fergusson, Lachlan Knowles, Angus Webber, and Hunter Hine who all competed in the Campus to City Canter earlier in the day. The TAS grounds staff headed by Chet Davis also got a huge wrap from organisers who said the preparation of Doody Park ‘put to bed’ any suggestions that Armidale doesn’t have a football field of sufficient quality to host finals football.

The First XI will have two fixtures this week. TAS will play Carinya in the second round of the CIS Knockout, after having a bye in the first round. This will be played at TAS, on Adamsfield commencing at 1pm on Thursday 19 March. TAS will then meet Tamworth FC in the first round of the FFA Cup to be played at Doody Park, Sunday 22 March, commencing at 4.30pm. It would be terrific to see as much support and encouragement at both of these fixtures.

Mr Luke Polson

MIC Football

NCIS Carnival

On Wednesday 11 March the First XI football team competed in the NCIS carnival hosted at TAS. The team had a slow start to the day and although they dominated possession were unable to find a goal against Emmanuel Anglican College and finished with a 0-0 draw. Our second game was against Bishop Druitt College and the TAS team started to play a more attractive style of football and with a goal from Euan Spiers pulled ahead. A lapse in concentration and a good strike from Bishop Druitt saw the game end in a 1-1 draw. Our next game was against Lindisfarne Anglican Grammar School, our toughest game of the day. The TAS team lifted well and outplayed the opposition winning 2-0 with goals coming from Angus Lloyd and Lachlan Knowles. The final game of the day was against Kempsey Adventist School, the TAS team dominated this game and ended up winning 6-0. TAS finished the carnival second overall behind Lindisfarne Anglican Grammar School and had six boys selected to represent at the next level of competition.

Congratulations to Euan Spiers, Angus Lloyd, Jarrod Bourke, Michael Klepzig, Alex Boulus, and Cai Spiers and good luck.

Mr Christian Nexo

TAS students Euan Spiers, Angus Lloyd, Jarrod Bourke, Michael Klepzig, Alex Boulus and Cai Spiers have gained selection into the NCIS Opens football squad which will compete in the Combined Independent Schools competition.
Hockey

As the Indoor Hockey season draws to a close, it is fantastic to see that TAS Hockey were once again well represented in the U13s, Primary 2 and Primary 3 divisions. With all teams playing in the semi-finals last week, we have been successful in making two grand finals for the 2015 season. Firstly, a big thanks to Mrs Tania Ball and the mighty TAS T-Rex who were unlucky to be knocked out of the Primary 3 Division semi-final last week, 2-1 against an impressive BVPS Incredibles side. The team has done a fantastic job this season, especially considering the wonderful growth shown by some of the team mates new to hockey.

This Friday sees the TAS Tricksters up against St Marys Strikers at 5.30pm in The Den, in what should be a closely contested match. With a stellar side, St Marys will be tough opponents, however with Coach Mr Scott Alcorn and his tenacious Tricksters focussed on playing skilful team hockey, the TAS side will be a great chance at defending their 2014 title.

Due to a St Marys deferral, our other grand finalists, the TAS 13s will play for the title on Thursday 26 March at 6pm. Under the watch of Mr Paul Matherson, the 13s boys have gelled at the right end of the comp to put themselves in with a good shot of knocking off the season front runners and GF favourites. It will all come down to who is hungrier and keeps a level head on the night. Good luck to the 13s and we hope to see many TAS families there in support.

Thanks to all coaches and parents for their dedication this year in Indoor, which is undoubtedly a fantastic skills tune up for the upcoming winter competition, which will commence for Juniors after the holidays.

Mr Alex Portell

Mountain Biking

On Monday evening, Round 7 of the Summer Series races was held for the first time at ‘Fat Tyre Farm’ at the base of Black Mountain. The boys’ hill climbing ability was put to the test with half of the course consisting of a nice long hill. This was followed by some enjoyable flowy single track. All the boys rode exceptionally well and the full results can be found HERE.

Also on the radar is the upcoming UNE 12 Hours in the Piney on the 28 March. The ‘early entries’ are still open until 20 March so I will be finalising the TAS teams this week and hoping that parents may be able to attend to watch and support their sons in this event. More information can be found HERE.

I will be sending out an email to parents with the TAS teams and further information this week.

In other news, Year 11 student Michael Harris competed in the National Mountain Bike Championships held at Bright in Victoria over the weekend. Michael raced against the top 28 under 19 male riders from around Australia in the cross country olympic style race and rode exceptionally to place 6th overall. Michael also raced in the elite men’s cross country eliminator races and finished in an impressive 9th place. Congratulations Michael on these outstanding achievements.

Mrs Joanne Benham

Hamish Newton and Tom Nivison

Jack Gellie and Tristan Rozendaal
TAS had a strong presence in Saturday’s Campus to City Canter, with the school entering a team of 41 boys and three staff.

This annual fixture on the Armidale Autumn Festival program takes runners on a 5km course from the UNE sports ground, across Elm Avenue and along the bicycle track into the creeklands park.

More than 600 competitors took part this year, well up on 2014, and it was clear from the 200m mark that TAS runners would be among the earlier finishers, with a stream of blue and white crossing the first footbridge early. For the fifth successive year Joe Makeham won the event, setting a new record in the blazing time of 16:43. KB Fergusson was strong from the start, and crossed the line in third place, looking like he still had plenty in the tank. Not far behind, consistent performer Joshua Stevenson came home fifth, repeating the effort that saw him finish fourth last year in a smaller field. However perhaps one of the mightiest efforts of the day was from Jonathon Harris of Year 4, who had a stunning run to finish in ninth place - an extraordinary achievement from a young man who is clearly going to be a talent to watch. Sam Tullie flew in from the clouds to record an outstanding twelfth place, being chased home by Henry Coldham and Hamish Moore. A highlight was the sprint finish between Sam and Harry Wright, with little brother Sam taking line honours!

Special thanks to staff members Ms Jayne Heagney and Ms Colette Brus who volunteered to help Armidale Athletics Club with timekeeping the event, and also deserving a mention are Henry Claridge, Nick Finney, Will Grant, Ryan Mitchell and Thomas Price who then backed up to march with TAS cadets in the Autumn Festival parade.

Joe Makeham (1st), KB Fergusson (3rd), Jonathon Harris (9th) and Joshua Stevenson (5th) flew like the wind for TAS in the Campus to City Canter early on Saturday morning.

Most of the TAS team that competed in the Campus to City Canter.

Joe Makeham
## MIDDLE SENIOR SCHOOL

### ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIPS 2015

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This week the show gets shaken-up with two new actors taking on the lead roles of Princess Winnifred and Lady Larken. The structure of the second week of performances mirrors the first and again allows our new lead actors, as well as the rest of the cast, the opportunity to prepare in front of a boarder audience Thursday night before paying customers walk through the doors on Friday.

After the success of our first week ticket sales have increased and those yet to secure their place in the theatre risk finding themselves in the bleachers if they don’t act fast.

In other news, several members of the TAS community have already received news about the success of their auditions for Treasure Island - everyone else will have to wait until the final decisions to be made before a full cast announcement is sent out. There will be no rest for many involved as work on Treasure Island is set to commence as soon as the TAS musical takes its final bows. Because nobody likes an empty theatre.
Pipes and Drums at TAS

The Music Department is working towards the development of a Pipe and Drum Band at TAS. Last week TAS old boy Andrew Nash performed on bagpipes to the whole of Middle School in the Hoskins Theatre. Andrew performed a rousing rendition of the traditional 'Scotland the Brave' - accompanied by TAS students - Liam Kennedy, Hamish Parsons, Oliver Broadbent and Tom Cannington on marching drums. As a result of the demonstration, several students took home tuition enrolment forms to learn bagpipes with Andrew. Any students who are interested in learning bagpipes or drums at TAS should speak to Mrs Broadbent in the Music Office.

Don't forget that instrumental and vocal tuition is available throughout the year at TAS and can be started at any time. Tuition enrolment forms can be found on the TAS website.

Please don't hesitate to contact Mrs Broadbent on 6776 5890 for more information.

Twilight Concert Thursday 26 March at 6pm

The Twilight Concert will be held in Big School commencing at 6pm next Thursday 26 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.

Once Upon A Mattress - Tickets still available

Don’t miss out on seeing our fantastic Broadway musical comedy Once upon a Mattress brought to you by TAS, NEGS and PLC. Limited tickets are still available for this coming Friday and Saturday so get in quickly.

Yours in music,

Ms Roobol, Mrs Butcher, Mr Dunham and Mrs Broadbent
Nearing the end

Clearly someone I’ve recently spoken to is counting the days: two weeks of actual classes left before the Easter break. Well, life continues busily here and there’s something I want you to do for me: tell your version of your son’s settling, the challenges (indeed difficulties, in a number of cases) he has encountered and, most importantly those aspects of school life that he is enjoying in his short time with us this semester. To be fair, some of you are actually calling, or calling in and these contacts are good. With luck, by the end of term, fast approaching now, I’ll have had the opportunity to speak to you, too. I’d prefer to speak to you than communicate via email as this affords me the further opportunity to get to know you a little better.

Athletics

As indicated two weeks ago, the full day Athletics Carnival is to be held soon and, like the Swimming Carnival in Week 2, again I encourage you, wherever possible, to travel to Armidale to see your sons’ events. The day promises to be as well attended as the Swimming Carnival day and I know for a fact that the boys love to have their families at such major calendar events. We enjoy having you here as well. Armidale weather is predictable in its unpredictability I know, but, suffice it to say that, at this time of year it is generally really pleasant. What I definitely know is that you’ll enjoy the events of the day: always entertaining; real competition; amazing House spirit and there is always something to do and many people to talk to. I’m looking forward to catching up with you.

Parent and Teacher Interviews

I’m happy so many of you have availed yourselves of the opportunity to meet Year 6 and 7 Homeroom teachers again, especially as the term is nearing its end. I’m not sure whether the following comment distinguishes me as ‘Old’ or ‘New’ school, but that doesn’t matter really because it’s what I feel, and I’ve always felt this way in relation to interviews about academic performance: the ten minute sessions concern your sons and the manner in which they’ve conducted themselves in class over the school’s longest term. I’m as pleased that a good number of boys attended these sessions. As a general rule, it’s important that they are at least given the option to attend and to listen to what staff have to say to their parents. Often boys are given some time to address issues that arise and since these (issues) concern them directly, it’s appropriate that they’re there to make comment and answer questions.

Contact

Now that the dust has settled considerably, I’m finding it relatively easy to speak to boys on a one-to-one basis and I’m enjoying the experience. They’re generally relaxed enough now to speak honestly, too. With the majority, these talks are as informal as they are brief. Sometimes they’re discussions about food, boarding, schoolwork, skateboards (I’m not especially fond of these, though neither am I fond of marking assessments, but it’s a necessary part of my daily life as are skateboards to your sons’ early adolescent lives – so I manage well enough) and home. They all love the latter topic. I’m even getting to know the names of some boys’ wider family members, too. So, all in all, life here is becoming ‘normal’ for all, challenging for most, in the best possible way of course, and increasingly easy for some. In short, they’re continuing to settle well and, apart from the food wrappers and paper planes quite a few leave around the grounds, I’m happy with their progress here.
Now, I want to revisit an earlier point: being a mere mortal, I don’t always ‘get it right’ so, if there’s something you’re aware of that could assist me to address concerns you have about your sons’ wellbeing, then I want you to call me rather than wait for me to call you. Mr Andrew Junge and I talk at least once every morning, so our management of boarders’ needs is, in my view, arguably good, but day students have needs as well and I urge you to avail yourselves of the opportunity to speak to me if and when you want or need to do so.

In fact, it’s essential that we communicate because, as indicated in past TAS Talks segments, it’s so much easier to manage issues than it is to address problems. The boys are too young to be burdened by many problems anyway and the more we adults talk, the less likely is the situation where they may arise. Problems have the capacity to impinge on the enjoyment of skateboarding, sitting under trees, careering around ovals and other life-necessities of early adolescents – a bad thing.

I wish you well.

Mr Mark Harrison
Middle School
International Baccalaureate Conference in China

Mrs Veronica Waters and I are currently in Macau, China attending The Regional IB Conference for over 1000 teachers and administrators. Being a part of such an enriching learning environment with like minded educators has been an incredibly valuable experience in many ways, none more so than establishing connections and contacts with other exponents of PYP programs in our region, for curriculum coordinators and administrators. The IB program provides the structure to ensure that learning is engaging, relevant, challenging and significant. What adds significance to student learning in the PYP is its commitment to themes of global significance that transcend the confines of the traditional subject areas frame the learning throughout the primary years, including early childhood. Its focus on learning through inquiry prepares our students for the future and the world, which will confront them.

I have included an article written in 2000 by Hedley Beare, a renowned and gifted Australian Educator, which outlines some considerations which might help guide us on how we might prepare our students for their future.

I am the future’s child

I am five years old. I will be alive and well in 2070 (my children will see the 22nd century). Can you imagine what the world will be like for them?

Wherever I live and work I will certainly be mixing in a multi-national, multicultural and multi-faith setting; white people may be the ethnic minority. I will need to think about that when I prepare for a job.

The Asia Pacific will be a strong focus of my world: already nearly half a billion Chinese are under 25; Asia accounts for half the world’s population (half of them are under 25). Consider it a growing market – those under 25’s are my contemporaries.

My nationality will not matter that much because my world is smaller, people move about and most workplaces will be internationalized – my world is likely to be borderless. Half a billion people in Asia are middle class like me and the same consumer patterns and attitudes; Car emissions are already changing our weather; Demand for petrol will go up in direct ratio to a decline in oil production and eventual exhaustion of fossil fuel.

By the time I am an adult the beginnings of a worldwide social welfare system will have begun - basic needs will be the target for everyone. By the time I start work environmental responsibilities will be enforced internationally - if not the world will be threatened by ‘green wars’: access to water, topsoil, power, food; I will live in a ‘smart home’ wired to carry out electronic shopping, food preparation, household chores.
The patterns of the industrial economy will have disappeared by the time I start work – especially the 9-5 day, 5 day working week, salaried employment and regular holidays. The ‘commodities’ of trade in really prosperous nations will be technical skills, brainpower and know-how.

My schooling must teach me about living comfortably in a multicultural, multi national and multi faith world.

I will study Shakespeare, Wordsworth and Marsden, some Buddhist texts from India, novels from South Korea, the history of China and the politics of South America. Do you know what an international curriculum looks like and how it can be taught? My school says I need to be a global citizen. I know what that means. I hope you do.

Most of all I want to be wise over what to believe about my world and me. I want to know what the wisest people on earth believe. I want the world to be a beautiful place for my grandchildren.

My school teachers are very important to me because they tell me how to deal with the future - the long, long future.

Are you confident you can design a curriculum that will equip me to live in my world?

I am five years old and I am sitting in one of your classrooms today.

Adapted from Creating a Future School, Beare, Hedley, 2000 Routledge Falmer

Tezukayama billets

Parents will have received a letter last week from Mr Neil Druce and Mr Allan Moore for families in a position to be able to billet students from TEZ. This is a vital part of the program and an opportunity to maintain was has been an outstanding program for many years. Please contact Junior School reception for further information and we look forward to your support.

Parent /Teacher Interviews

Information has been emailed to all families recently about these interviews, which provide an excellent opportunity for feedback from teachers about student performance in many areas. Please contact the school for assistance and guidance on securing a time.

Request for assistance for Athletics events on 27 & 31 March

Mrs Christine Wright has been preparing the program for both days of Athletic events on our calendar.

Parental support has been a valued part of both these days and again we seek assistance from our parents and supporters to make these days possible. Minimbah Primary School will again be joining us for the first of these two days, as they hold their own Carnival with our assistance. More information about the programs for both days will be available shortly.

Congratulations – Jonathan Harris

A huge congratulations to Jonathan Harris who came 9th out of an estimated 600 runners on Saturday morning at the Campus Canter in Armidale. This is again an outstanding result for Jonathan continuing his fine form from last year. We look forward to watching his athletics pursuits as the year progresses.

And finally, our thanks for the fantastic support at Armidale’s Autumn Festival

I would like to say how appreciative we are for the efforts from our families who supported the Junior School last Saturday for the Autumn Festival Parade. With 40 students parading, supported by our Cadets, families and friends, it was a great occasion and I have heard just how much the children enjoyed the occasion. My thanks to all the staff who were there for the kids on the day - Mrs Anne Hine, Mrs Tania Ball, Mrs Lana Hawksford, Mr Alex Portell and Mr Neil Druce for driving the bus.
Happy Birthday

This week we wish a very Happy Birthday to Nawaf Alenazi, Will Nash and Joe Fenwicke.

Excursions

Excursions will be happening in Term 2, Week 2 and it is time to get excited and begin preparing for time away from school or some great activities on campus.

Year 5 will be going to Myuna Bay from Monday 27 April to Friday 1 May.

Years 3 & 4 will be going to Lake Keepit with Year 4 leaving Tuesday 28 April and Year 3 leaving Wednesday 29 April to Friday 1 May.

Notes will be being sent home with further details in the next couple of days.

Clothing and sporting goods

Please look through your child's belongings and ensure the correct item has been collected at the end of the day. Please return all lost items to the Junior School reception.

Parent Teacher Interviews

Information for Parent Teacher Interviews was emailed to all parents on Monday. Due to a glitch with the online booking system, the first email did not contain your username or password, however this has now been corrected. If you have any issues with the system, please do not hesitate to contact the Junior School office.

Year 3 Visit Thalgarrah

Our Year 3 cohort spent a glorious day out at the Thalgarrah Educational Centre last Friday as part of their Investigative unit on Sharing our Planet. Studies were undertaken both in the Centre classroom and down by the Gara River. The children were able to put into practice the concepts, knowledge and skills taught throughout the term.
Junior School Bookclub

Many of your children will have now brought home brochures from Lamont & Scholastic Book Clubs. If you wish to purchase from either of these companies, please select the books you would like and follow the instructions for ordering and payment that are found on the back page of each brochure. All orders for these current brochures should be made by Friday 20 March, 2015.

Scholastic orders can be submitted in two ways: 1) By using the Scholastic ‘LOOP’ online webpage, where you will order and pay by credit card, or 2) by filling in the order form, and placing that order form and a cheque in the RED LETTER BOX in the Junior School office. Orders from Lamont can only be made online through their website, but payment can be made by credit card and Paypal. Please note that cash CANNOT be accepted as payment by either book club.

If you have any questions or problems, please contact me in the TAS Library, or by email nraman@as.edu.au. Also, when items arrive at the school they are delivered to the classroom to be sent home with your child, so please let me know if any orders are gifts so that we can make other arrangements.

Happy reading!

Mrs Natalie Ramazani
Library Assistant

A closer look at PYP in Year 1

Year One—Unit of Inquiry

Year 1 have had a wonderful term exploring many interesting things about their families. Each student has brought in several artefacts to share from their families past, which has been a wonderful sharing opportunity and way to develop new knowledge and enrich learning experiences. Students have explored all of these concepts through their Central Idea: Families from the past and present can share many similarities and differences. This unit has tied together English, Creative Arts and History.

A focus for Year 1 in this unit has to learn about their Learner Profile. Ms Dowse has introduced the students to each of the Learner Profiles and allowed students to demonstrate through their unit a variety of these attributes. The students have been provided with opportunities to work as part of a team and develop collaboration skills.

Mrs Veronica Waters
PYP Co-ordinator

Mr Druce teaching Year 1 a game from his childhood, marbles
Netball News

Well done to our Netballers Ruby Straker, Casey Smith, Isabel Newton and Emily Buntine who all played extremely well on Saturday in their first ‘Super Sparkles’ game. The game was tightly contested for much of the time with the scores locked at 4 - all at half time, until the ‘Super Sparkles’ made several great passes down the court for a couple of quick shots. This inspired the team to go on to win 8-4.

Great game girls!

Net Set Go girls

If you are keen to be involved in the skills based sessions on Saturday mornings please head to the Netball Courts on Lynches Rd at 11:30am. Please see attached flyer.

Activities Day – 27 March

This Activities Day will be dedicated to Athletics events with Minimbah Primary School who will use this opportunity to compete on the day as part of their Athletics Carnival. Our Junior School children will join them for some field events and the sprints as a practice session for our Athletics day. Both our long distance events and field events on this day will be counted toward individual and house points.

Any parents able to assist on the day, even for part of the day, please email Mrs Christine Wright on cwright@as.edu.au

We will be requiring a few extra assistants especially during the sprints for timekeeping.

Athletics Carnival – 31 March

Our Junior School Athletics Carnival will be held on Tuesday, 31 March (Week 10) Children will compete in both Track and Field events on the day. A programme of events will be available on our sports website closer to the date. Once again, if you are available to help out during the day, please email Mrs Christine Wright.

Miniball - TAS Blue

This week at Miniball saw the TAS Blue team take on another Town team. We were all a bit apprehensive to take the court because the Town team is such a strong and skilful team. This was all in vein. TAS Blue played an amazing game.

It was not an easy game this week and TAS Blue had use all of the skills that they have been practicing at training as well as team work to keep themselves going. The scoreboard said 8-9 in favour of the Town team, however, the TAS bench begged to differ. We had it 10-8 to TAS. This week also saw us introduce a brand new player to TAS Blue Caleb Baumgartner. WOW what an asset to our team Caleb is. For a boy who has never played a game of Miniball he has natural ability and skill. Caleb just fitted in nicely and its like we have all been player together all year. A special mention this week goes to the TAS parents and supporters. You were all very vocal and supportive this week especially when the game was close at the end. It was great to have such a fun and supportive bench for our players. Thanks again. Next week sees TAS Blue play TAS White and we can’t wait to play our fellow school team. Great effort and teamwork TAS Blue!

Ms Tabatha Dowse

TAS Red Vs Paratown

This week we had an entertaining game against Paratown. Paratown was quick on their feet and fast to keep TAS Red on their toes. TAS Red at times tried a few fancy moves, however, Paratown were quick to disable them.

Although they kept the pressure on TAS Red came through strong. Josiah Alcorn entertained us with his dance moves as he tried to score, Fletcher Jackson was strong defending, Jude Piper had a lot of deceptive moves that allowed brilliant passing to key areas. Jack Van Roy, Josiah Alcorn, Archie Lawrence, Jude Piper and Joe Anderson contributed to goals to our final score of 24 to 18. Well done TAS Red.

Mrs Lana Hawksford

Campus to City Canter

Jonathan Harris from Junior School completing the Campus Canter on Saturday, placing 9th overall. An excellent result for Jonathan.
LOST PROPERTY

Lily Peart has lost her straw hat, it is clearly labeled. If located, please return to the Junior School.

Thomas Price has lost his computer bag. If located, please return to Reception.

COMMUNITY

The Uniform and Book Shop will be open 9.00am to 5.00pm Friday 17 April. This is the day before the TAS Rugby Carnival starts. Junior Rugby players please take note.

Hours during the first week of Term 2

- Monday 20 April 9.00 am to 5.00 pm
- Tuesday 21 April normal hours resume 10.00 am to 2.00 pm
- Wednesday 22 April 1.30 pm to 5.30 pm

UNIFORM AND BOOK SHOP

Armidale District Netball Association

Come & Try sessions

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

Girls & Boys
aged 5-10
GARDEN PARTY

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