HEADMASTER, MURRAY GUEST

Coast Weekend

For our boarders and many of our day students, especially those new to the School, the coast weekend is an important milestone in the new school year. The opportunity to form or consolidate new friendships and settle in the social environment of the house group can provide the confidence that allows all the other aspects of school life to really flow. All that I saw and heard over the weekend made it clear that this coast weekend served its purpose well. The damp weather on Friday and Saturday did nothing to affect the happy mood and the great camaraderie and encouragement for one another at the jetty jump was impressive to see. Our new girls, both boarders and day students, had their own location and activities at Nambucca Heads, but also joined the others at Coffs Jetty. Seeing our new and returning students mixing in such a healthy and positive way was very encouraging indeed.

I offer special thanks to our staff, both residential and others, who gave up their own weekend in this busy time of year to make the coast weekend possible.

Swimming Carnivals

Swimming and War Cries are dominating house activity this week as the first of our inter-house competitions gets underway. The Junior School carnival held yesterday was a success with lots of fun and five new records and the first events for our most serious senior swimmers were held on Monday night.

The swimming carnival is the first major school event of the year and it is deliberately scheduled at a time that will suit those attending the Middle School information evening and barbecue and many boarding parents wanting to visit and take their children out or home for the weekend. That timing and the spectacle that the war-cry competition and long distance events provide on Thursday night means that we will have a big crowd here and I encourage all who possibly can to join us.
Our prefects will be using the opportunity of the war-cry night to begin their charity fundraising for the year and I encourage both parents and students to support this community work. This year we will be raising funds for the Steve Waugh Foundation that works with children with rare diseases. It is a fine cause and the visit from Steve Waugh during the ‘Captain’s Ride’ last year has inspired a positive and worthwhile connection with our school.

**New Student Leaders**

We will take the opportunity to appoint and induct a number of new students leaders at a special ceremony next Wednesday. These will include sports captains and vice-captains for the winter season in hockey, football and equestrian as well our first leadership positions for girls. We were fortunate to have most of our Year 12 girls with us last term as that provided the opportunity for them to settle in their new school and prepare for their roles as mentors, role models and leaders for the others who joined us this term. A number, though not all, of our Year 12 girls applied for leadership positions in sport, creative arts and the prefect body and I look forward to formally making those appointments next week.

**P&F Meeting Tonight**

Our first P&F meeting for the year will be held tonight from 7:00pm in the Lower Maxwell Room. These meetings provide an important mechanism for parents to get involved in school life and activities and they provide the planning for the very important support that the P&F provides the School. I encourage those who are new to TAS this year, as well as all our returning families, to know that you are welcome at the meeting and that your input will be appreciated.
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**Notes from the Travel Office**

Easter break - free travel between home town and Armidale on charter coach services or train for boarders.

With Easter fast approaching and the booking deadline being 25 February, please contact travel@as.edu.au for information, in particular, if new to the school and needing advice regarding available services - public and charter.

Please note that the boarding houses are closed for the Easter break.

Charter coaches depart on Thursday 23 March (am) and return on Monday 28 March (pm).
Term 1 Meeting - TONIGHT

Our meetings for Term 1 have been set and the first will take place tonight, 10 February at 7pm in the Lower Maxwell Room. All Parents and Friends of TAS are welcome and if you live further afield, why not consider skyping in? Contact me if you would like to give this a try.

If you have any ideas for social events or fundraising events – please come along and share. We can work together to make it happen.

P&F War Cry Sausage Sizzle

Coming along to witness the truly amazing War Cries tomorrow night?

At a loose end with dinner plans?

Why not join us for a sausage and coleslaw in bread immediately prior to the commencement of War Cries. The P&F will be cooking up a BBQ storm for the first time at this event - a quick and easy dinner if you are not otherwise involved in Middle School Welcome BBQ. If you enjoy turning a sausage, why not get in touch and give an hour or so, and maybe meet up with old friends over the BBQ? Call me today – 0409 973 247

The BBQ will be short and sweet – kicking off at 6pm.

Swimming Carnivals

The P&F Cake Stall at Junior & Senior Swimming Carnival raises a significant amount of money for the P&F and is used to make TAS better for our children so any and all support for this worthy cause is appreciated. Thank you Junior School parents for donations of time and things to sell at your Swimming Carnival yesterday – a fun day for all!

And now it’s the turn of Middle/Senior School who have their swimming carnival on Friday 12 February and so I am putting out a request for cakes/food etc for the P&F Cake Stall. If you feel like cooking up a storm, please do – or you may prefer to pop in to your favourite supermarket perhaps. Any donations of yumminess will be gratefully received and can be dropped off at the start of school on Friday.

For new parents - this cake stall is mainly for the kids to buy things to munch on (so don’t forget some pocket money) and a little bit for the adults. Cakes, biscuits, jelly cups, bought goods etc - generally in single portion sizes. Also, some gluten free, dairy free etc items are handy. However, please remember all items should be nut free.

Please also consider donating some time and just give your Liaison Parent a call to let them know:

8.30- 9.30 Year 8 (set up) and anyone who can help
9.30-10.30 Year 7
10.30-11.30 Year 9
11.30-12.30 Year 10
12.30- 1.30 Year 11
1.30-2.30 Year 12
2.30-3.30 Year 6 (pack up)

Liaison Parents

Calling all Liaison Parents - pop this into your diary - we will be having a Welcome Lunch for all Liaison Parents on Friday 19 February – more details to come.

Mrs Sue Cartwright
“Famous Last Words”


At 9 o’clock, 30 December, 2003, John Gregory Dunne experienced a massive coronary as he sat down to dinner with his wife in their New York apartment. “This is my attempt to make sense of the period that followed” says his wife and author of the above account, The Year Of Magical Thinking, Joan Didion.

She describes his last conversations, however, his last words were obscured, and she has pondered what in fact she misheard ever since.

You see, we attach such great meaning to the dying words of people, in fact they have their own category – “famous last words”. They are set apart and made more significant than words that may have been offered in the rest of life. Perhaps we hope to find a clue to what seems to be the hidden truths of life and death as a person crosses from one to the other.

Of course this isn’t always the case, sometimes the last words aren’t all that profound:

“Die”, the patient exclaimed, “that’s the last thing I’ll do.”

Oscar Wilde on his deathbed

“Either this wallpaper goes, or I do!”

James Rodges, murderer, on his final request before the firing squad, “Why yes -- a bulletproof vest.”

What about one of the thieves hung next to Jesus at that most famous of deaths? He turns to Jesus and requests that he be remembered by Jesus. Is this a vain request, such as a bulletproof vest? Is it similar in that it’s just the cry of the desperate and perhaps any request is worth a go?

As we read the accounts of Jesus life and his words, he seems to have had an ability to see through to people’s thoughts and motives beyond what was obvious. So perhaps Jesus reply will take us to the heart of the criminal’s request. Jesus says, “today you will be with me in paradise.”

Jesus takes the criminal seriously. This man’s final words, his dying request rests on the mercy of Jesus. A man clearly, and to his own admission unworthy, receives the assurance from the eternal life giver himself, the assurance of paradise.

This man’s dying words reveal that it is never too late to seek the forgiveness Jesus offers.

Perhaps ‘famous last words’ will teach us something of life and death.
Class Allocations
Due to an unprecedented number of new enrolments this year across the senior school we will be needing to re-distribute classes over the coming weeks. In some year groups and in some subjects this means we will be splitting classes from three groups into four and in other places the number of classes may be reduced. In Years 7 to 10 we will be continuing with one extension class in each of the core subjects and in all subjects, other than maths, the remaining classes will be mixed. That means that classes 2, 3 and 4 are equal in ability and no student should feel disappointed in any of these classes as they are being taught the same work and differentiation happens based on student need. Mathematics classes in Years 9 and 10 follow different programs due to BOSTES requirements however we are always trying to extend students when the opportunities arise to further their mathematical knowledge and skills.

During this time we will also be conducting standardised testing in literacy and numeracy to ensure we have current information on the strengths and weaknesses of all of our students.

Any concerns about class placements should be directed to the subject Coordinator

English - Ms Julie Flanagan (jflanaga@as.edu.au)
HSIE - Mr David Toakley (dtoakley@as.edu.au)
Maths - Ms Amanda Robins (arobins@as.edu.au)
Science - Mr Tim Wheaton (twheaton@as.edu.au)

Year 9 and 10 Electives
Students are now required to stay in their current electives as the semester is well underway and they will have missed significant work if changes are now made.

I look forward to talking to students about their courses and to begin discussions about semester 2 next term.

Assessment Calendars 2016
Next week all students in Years 6 to 10 and their families will receive an assessment calendar for the semester. This is to assist families in their organisation of family life and to enable boarding parents to know what their child is doing here at TAS.

I will be meeting with Year 11 and 12 to familiarise them with the added requirements of a senior assessment program. I will also be handing out the HSC Rules and Procedures handbook to all Year 12 students.
Activities Day for Year 12

Once again we have a busy day planned for Year 12 next Friday. Presenters from Sydney are coming up to talk about Memory and Exam Techniques, I will be providing access to a new HSC study resource online, Mr Taylor will be speaking with students about post school options and students will have some time for individual supervised study.

Students are required to wear neat casuals and bring work to complete in a short individual study session. We will be meeting in Hoskins at 8:45am.

Mrs Seonia Wark  
Director of Studies

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TAS Mathematics and English/Essay Subjects  
Tutoring and Homework Centre, Term 1, 2016

At a glance

* Operates on a Monday afternoon and is held in the Cash (Maths) Block from 3.45 to 4.45pm commencing in Term 1, Week 3 and finishing Week 9.
* Delicious afternoon tea provided.
* Sessions operate with maximum of six students per tutor.
* Diagnostic tests and graded worksheets in all basic skills with Extension opportunities for able students.
* $150 a term for 1 session a week, or $15 a casual session.
* Students can mix and match - they can do a session of Maths and one of English on alternate weeks.

Enquiries and bookings - Gaye Piper: gpiper1@as.edu.au or 0410 924 191
Girls, Swimming Carnival and Coast Weekend

With two weeks of schooling done, and the dust beginning to clear, it’s lovely to be able to comment now on how smoothly the new girls – and all students for that matter - have settled into life at TAS from a pastoral perspective. It would be naïve to suggest there were no nerves, no moments of disorientation and no deep breaths (and that’s just the TAS staff), but the girls have impressed so many within the community here and have already contributed positively in boundless ways. By mere virtue of the fact they are here, we know we are dealing with a collection of brave souls, and they have expressed this through class contributions, war cry practices and even the jetty jumping competitions on Coast Weekend. It’s terrific to have them here and comments from the boys like, “nothing’s really changed, Sir”, indicate that they too have seem the transition so far as being pretty seamless. Of course, things have changed and certainly it is nice to see boys and girls conversing over meals and around the playground and later this week I look forward to seeing to swimming carnival as a further illustration of the increasingly rich culture here.

On that note, may I remind everyone that Thursday evening is war cry night and it would be terrific to see as many members of the School community there. I know it is hard for day students sometimes but we need the numbers to knock the boarders of their war cry perch and 2016 might be the year. Details of events should be available in other parts of TAS Talks.

I would also like to thank the senior boys (10-12) for the way they embraced all elements of the Day Boy Coast Weekend just gone. It was a great trip away and we managed to navigate a few closed beaches, some wet weather and even a hyper-competitive Rev Newton on the Flip Out trampolines. The House leaders were faultless and continue to make this a wonderful trip for all – so thank you very much gentlemen.

Mr Barney Buntine
Coast Weekend 2016

Friday afternoon saw a full contingent of boarders and some day boys and girls depart from TAS in an operation that was executed with military precision. We descended on caravan parks from Nambucca to Woolgoolga for the annual ‘Coast Weekend’, which provides a fantastic opportunity for new students and old to form relationships and for staff to get to know their charges. It is also a nice break from the hectic start to the term.

Driving through some fairly heavy rain on the way to our destination didn’t fill us with confidence but the weather didn’t stop us from having fun. For most of the Houses, Friday night was fairly low-key with dinner followed by cabin allocations and an early bedtime to be ready for the big day to follow.

The rough surf on Saturday morning saw many of the beaches closed so we were advised to swim at the jetty. Despite the rain, we had a ball body surfing and a game of beach soccer broke out when Rev Newton arrived with the day students. An impromptu iron man even was run by Mr Junge to burn off some of the energy the middle school boarders had in abundance. The morning activities were followed by a chance to look around in the shops and buy some lunch before all of the Houses converged on the jetty for the much anticipated ‘Jetty Jump’ led by the fearless Mr Guest. A lot of fun was had and there were some amazing aerial skills on display. We certainly entertained some of the locals and tourists.

Each of the Houses spent their time as they saw fit over the weekend but all had a great time. The highlights included paintball, trampolining, movies and, of course, the food. There was so much food.

I was impressed by the outstanding behaviour of the boarders I observed over the weekend. They approached everything with a positive attitude and a spirit of cooperation, two qualities that are vital for a community to prosper.

Huge thanks must go to each of the Heads of House for all of their planning prior to and hard work during the weekend to ensure it was a success. The Deputy Heads of House, residential staff and teaching staff who joined us also made massive contributions.

Already I am looking forward to ‘Coast Weekend 2017’.

Mr Michael Holland
Director of Boarding
Abbott Paintball

Croft House

Abbott House

Abbott Paintball

Croft House

The beach boys!

Mr Junge rallies the troops!

Jetty Jump

White House Barbecue

Beach style!

Smiles all around!
Thirty- three girls from Year 5 to 12 headed off to Nambucca Heads last Friday to make some history! They were the inaugural group of girls going on Coast weekend, something that TAS boys had been enjoying for many years. We arrived at the White Albatross near 7pm in the pouring rain, but as we bundled everyone into their cabins, spirits were high and there was a great sense of expectation about what the weekend would hold.

The weekend was a wonderful time away, and despite the poor weather, there was fun and laughter, great chats and new friendships formed. The jetty jumping on Saturday afternoon with all the boy houses was certainly the highlight for many and trampolining in the afternoon was perhaps another. However, on Saturday night we sat outside with the sound of the waves crashing behind us and pondered the day. We gave everyone a chance to do a ‘shout out’ to something or someone and to share what had been significant for them. It was very special to hear how they appreciated the support of each other but also the boys when they jetty jumped and how proud many felt at overcoming a fear or two. Many spoke of meeting new people, having fun and feeling part of the group. Despite being tired, most of the girls then wandered down the long walk to talk and enjoy the ocean at night with new friends and old.

On Sunday the weather was beautiful so after a hearty breakfast, the girls did get to enjoy Nambucca beach in all its sunny glory, but their enthusiasm and willingness to enjoy all aspects of the weekend, no matter what the weather, was testament to the kind of young women we have at TAS.

Thanks to the staff who came along to help cook, care and look after the girls: Amanda Waninga, Steph Toogood and Colette Brus. Thank you also to Mr Guest who joined us for lunch on Sunday.

**Miss Alex Pollitt**
Activity Day 1 (18-19 February - Week 4)

Activity Day 1 commences with a back brief by the SUO and Coy Commanders to the CO MAJ Thatcher on Thursday 11 February at 1.30pm.

A briefing will be delivered to all cadets on Tuesday 16 February during Period 3 (normally Assembly).

All students in Year 7 (Rangers) & our girls (7 Platoon) will have their uniforms and equipment issued on the Activities Days.

Cadets in 1 Platoon and 4 Platoon will attend an overnight bivouac on Thursday night 18 February.

All platoons will be dismissed on Friday ay 3.30pm.

A Coy

1 Platoon - Peatfields
Over night bivouac
Navigation / Trekking
Fieldcraft
Harbour

2 Platoon - Dumasresq Dam
Kayaking
Raft Construction
RATEL

3 Platoon - Gara Gorge
Abseiling/Prussic
Rope Activity
Field Lesson

B Coy

4 Platoon - Peatfields Overflow (Little Mt Duval)
Over night bivouac
Platoon Harbour
Ration Cooking & Hygiene
TASCU/Customs
Navigation / Trekking

5 Platoon - UNE Property 'Kirby'
Navigation Training
Team Building & Initiative Exercises
Engineering Task

6 Platoon - Dumasresq Dam
Canoeing – C2
First Aid / RATEL
Bush cooking

7 Platoon (Girls) - TAS & Dumasresq Dam
Uniform/kit issue
Intro to kit
Dress and presentation
Campcraft
Canoeing

8 Platoon (Advanced) - Gara Gorge
Abseiling
Climbing

Rangers (Year 7) - TAS
Introduction to Rangers
Clothing/Gear issue & Prep
Campcraft – hootchies
Intro to Drill
Section Comp (Teamwork/Init)

Rolls

Rolls will be posted on the cadet noticeboard and webpage. Leadership appointments will not be notified until completion of the leadership course.

Trevor Thatcher
Major (AAC)
Commanding Officer
# THE ARMIDALE SCHOOL CADET UNIT - HOME TRAINING PROGRAM 2016

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**Kokoda Trek**

**Dates: 22 September to 1 October 2016**

Open to students, parents and friends - 15 years and up

Trekking from Kokoda to Owers Corner over 8 days

Information session to be held later this term

Trekking company: Our Spirit

Expressions of interest to Trevor Thatcher ttthatche@as.edu.au
Welcome back to Careers 2016. We have a large number of activities and learning experiences planned for the senior students this year, which I will briefly cover below.

**Year 10 TFN & USI's**

Firstly, Year 10 have been set the task of completing their Tax File Number (TFN) application as well as the Unique Student Identifier number (USI). The TFN is now an online application that can be completed by going to the ATO website, completing the necessary forms. They are then to make an appointment at the local post office for verification of identity.

Every year almost four million Australians build and sharpen their skills by undertaking nationally recognised training. All students doing nationally recognised training need to have a Unique Student Identifier (USI). This includes students doing Vocational Education Training (VET) when they are still at school (VET for secondary students). This includes the year 10 First Aid course completed later this year. Students were set the task of completing the application process for their USI and to supply the school with a copy of their number for future use.

Of course if any students have one or both of the above they do not need to apply again.

**Year 12**

We will be having the first of our planned career sessions on Friday 19 February during the upcoming activities day. We will be examining a wide range of topics in relation to the upcoming year and the decision making processes that students need to be aware of and follow. We will not be just focusing on tertiary options but also looking at vocational options as well as GAP year information.

**Sydney Careers Expo**

Last year we took a bus load of Year 12 students to the Sydney Careers Expo which proved to be a very valuable experience for all concerned. We are planning a similar exercise this year but the dates have not been kind to us as it falls on the only weekend when the rugby teams are not travelling to Sydney for a game, in May. This could dampen the enthusiasm for another trip to Sydney and back. Even so, I will be surveying the year group as to the level of interest and plan the options accordingly.

**Tamworth Careers Expo**

We are planning to take all of Year 10 to the Tamworth Careers Expo this year. Whilst it is a smaller scale compared to the Sydney exhibition, I believe it will still be a valuable experience for the student to start the clarification process when it come career pathways. More information about this event at a later date.

As usual a massive amount of information regarding career pathways, choices and opportunities passes across my desk. Rather than send out copious amounts of information to everyone, which may or may not be relevant to them I will attempt to post the information to the school’s website and give students and parents a link to where it can be found in the school’s newsletter.

Below is the first lot of information for 2016.

**GAP Year 2017**

I have recently received a number of inquiries about applying for a GAP year in 2017. In my experience the schools have two major intakes. The earlier intake is usually completed by the individual schools and is based upon direct applications. I sent out a copy of a letter from the British Boarding School Association that gave very good advice on how to apply for a direct entry to individual schools. The time frame for direct application is getting very short. The process is usual decided early in the year but this depends on individual school. Here is the link to view the letter.

The second intake is usual through companies who specialize in organising students into GAP schools. The major one of which is Tutors Worldwide. These tend to be expensive but they do have a high degree of success in placing students in schools. To apply, go to their website for more details. Click HERE.

Another company that has come to my attention recently is “The GAP Network”. This a new company established by parents of recent GAP students. They too offer a range of services, the extent of which I am unsure, due to them being new to the market. This could be another option but would need further investigation if you were interested. (www.thegapnetwork.org)

Whichever way you decide to go the school will assist in whatever ways we can but the organisation of the GAP year is the student’s and families responsibilities.

Job Jump

Job Jump is a web-based program that the school uses to help with Career pathways. It is a very comprehensive program with extensive features. We have been using it primarily in the year 10 program and then revisiting it in year 12. Gary Grant from Job Jump, has recently added numerous features to help the students find information regarding their career choices. I will be reintroducing the year 12’s to Job Jump this coming activities day, as we will be completing a career session in the afternoon.

I would encourage you to ask your sons/daughters to show you the features of the Job Jump program as it is an excellent resource when it comes to career decision-making.

OxBridge Academic Program Summer 2016

From time to time I get information about summer schools and programs on offer to the students from various companies and schools. Rather than push the barrow for any one company/school, I will simply post the information on the Careers notice board and make reference to it in the school’s newsletter or post it to the Careers page on the school’s website.

UMAT

The dates for the UMAT examination have been set for 2016. If students are interested in a course in Medicine or Dentistry, they need to complete the UMAT examination as part of the entry process. The registration for the examinations close 5.00pm AEST on Friday the 3rd of June 2016, with the examination set for Wednesday the 27th of July 2016. I have included a link to the Careers webpage that has a copy of the UMAT poster. It gives details of the courses that require UMAT. A booklet with more information is available from the Careers Office. Click here for additional information.

Enough information for this week. More to come next week.

Mr Mark Taylor
Careers Advisor
In a week full of swimming carnivals, welcome barbecues and war cries there are some other invitations we would like to issue to you all.

Parent Tours of Dangar House and White House extension

**Friday 12 February 12:45 – 1:45 … during the swimming carnival lunch break.**

On Friday when many parents are coming to the school for the swimming carnival we are going to open Dangar and White House for any parent who is curious to see what these Houses now look like after months of renovation.

This is only open to parents because students must be at the swimming carnival and they will get a chance to see the Houses later in the term.

For those parents who are also curious about the TAS Foundation-backed refurbishment of furniture in all boys boarding houses over the course of 2016, the project is on track with the committee meeting the interior designer next week. More news to come!

We also have the first of our Co-ed Expos for the year on Monday 22 February in the Hoskins Centre. This is an opportunity for all interested families to talk directly to the staff involved in all the most important facets of their child’s education. Spread the word!

TAS Scholarship and Co-Ed Expo Day

**MONDAY 22 FEBRUARY 10am – 12pm or 4pm – 6pm**

TAS has expanded to embrace fully co-educational schooling from Pre-Kinder to Year 12. In 2015 HSC our students achieved the top 3 academic results in the New England / North West region. Students made the all round achievers list for the 7th consecutive year.

Come and talk to our staff about our tradition of excellence in developing independent young people of character and substance.

Discover the range of opportunities available for your son or daughter.

If you want something done, ask a busy person.

For many this will be one of the busiest weeks of the year; Coast weekend, followed by the swimming carnival, usual sport commitment, assessment tasks looming, a drama excursion to Sydney, Bravissimo Concert in Port Macquarie and a leaders course at the end of the tunnel. There is no shortage of busy people to get things done!

In the midst of your business I hope you can find a moment to consider the following:

• Ensure each task has a purpose – justify your effort.
• Work together – no one person has all the skills.
• Prioritise and sequence – Don’t try to multitask; it’s not efficient!
• Do your best then move on
• If it ain’t broke don’t fix it.
• Take time out - a break will allow you to achieve your goal sooner. Find a light at the end of the tunnel – reward your hard work. Everyday give yourself time for you. Play, read, share time with family and friends; have something that you look forward to.

Remember, what may seem like an insurmountable challenge is just a series of steps; taken one at a time, you will be surprised how quickly you reach your destination.

Middle / Senior School Swimming Championships

Approved Swimming Costumes

Both boys and girls are expected to wear either a TAS swimsuit or knee-suit purchased from the TAS clothing shop. Girls are permitted to wear either skins or a bikini underneath their swimsuit at the TAS carnival. If a TAS swimsuit is not available, a navy or black equivalent is acceptable.
There were only a few games played last weekend due to Coast Weekend. It was a chance for the players to rest before we play the last four rounds of the competition. I had a chance to watch the Under 14 Blue team and I was impressed with the cricket skills of the players. The TAS fighting spirit was displayed as they defeated the 2nd placed team in the competition. There are many fine cricketers in the Under 12's and 14's and I'm looking forward to them playing 1st Cricket in the future.

It would be great to see students and parents attend the 1st Cricket team game at TAS Oval on Sunday. The bigger the crowd the better the players perform.
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MUSIC MATTERS

BRAVISSIMO 2016!

Today the Elective Music students in Years 9, 10, 11 and 12 are travelling to Port Macquarie to attend the annual Bravissimo Concert at The Glasshouse. The concert showcases some of the best of the 2015 HSC Music performances chosen from around 35 schools in the North West of NSW. We were delighted that Robert Butcher was selected to play in this year’s event.

Rob will perform Mercy, Mercy, Mercy accompanied by the TAS Senior Jazz Combo at the concert and has also been asked to play in the Finale. Well done Rob!

Many thanks to our wonderful Director of TAS Senior Jazz Combo, Mr Warwick Dunham, and to TAS students who are supporting Rob - Charlton Grant, Angus Lloyd, Angus Smith, Nicholas Bohlsen, Sam Wright and Sebastian Scott.

ENSEMBLE REHEARSALS HAVE COMMENCED

We have ensembles for all levels of experience and skill and also for all ages. If you are interested in joining one of the TAS Ensembles, don’t be shy...pop down to the Music Centre and talk to one of the Music Team.

Parents - feel free to phone the Music Centre on 6776 5890 or email sbroadbe@as.edu.au to make enquiries.

Ensemble Rehearsal times are listed below:

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INSTRUMENTAL & VOCAL TUITION

A reminder that tuition is available at TAS for voice and also on a huge range of instruments - bagpipes, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, flute, piano, trombone, organ, violin, cello, guitar, bass, drums, french horn and recorder, and many more. If you would like to try out an instrument before you commit to lessons just contact the Music Office. We are always happy to advise parents/ guardians and students on instrumental and vocal tuition.

Tuition Enrolment Forms are available on the TAS Website if you are keen to start learning. Here is a copy.

INSTRUMENTAL LESSONS HAVE STARTED

All instrumental tuition lessons have commenced again for the term. Students - if you are not sure of your tuition time please contact your tutor. To assist you, times will be up on the board in music soon and also sent out to all TAS Teachers too. Students please ensure you bring your instruments to every lesson and feel free to leave them in the safe storage area of the Music Centre if you are a boarder and when you are not using them.

Ms Roobol, Mrs Butcher, Mrs Baumgartner and Mrs Broadbent.
Tickets are now on sale for the 2016 TAS Production Bye Bye Birdie. With a huge cast this year and a condensed performance run of one week we are guaranteed to sell quickly so don’t wait to buy your tickets. Head along to the Hoskins website (http://wordpress.as.edu.au/hoskins/events/) to book tickets for the shows that run from 17 - 19 March.

Co-curricular Drama is getting ready to start with Trinity classes commencing in Hoskins for students in Years 3 - 11 and the new Junior School Drama club beginning in Week 4. These activities are both a lot of fun and a great way for students to work on their performance skills and build confidence. If parents want their children to be involved in these opportunities or need more information they can contact Sarah Broadbent (sbroadbe@as.edu.au).

If you’re interested in seeing some theatre locally the Armidale Musical and Dramatic Society (ADMS) is currently in the middle of a series of play readings up at The Stro’, UNE. This Friday 12 and Saturday 13 at 7:30pm they are doing Tennessee Williams’ Cat on a Hot Tin Roof with tickets available for $15 at the door. I also encourage you to stay abreast of what is happening at Armidale’s Belgrave Cinema as they show recorded productions from the main stages of London, with the National Theatre’s Jane Eyre screening this weekend.

Bye Bye Birdie still needs a lot of work to be done before we are ready for the performances and not all of it is related to rehearsing the fun dances and songs. Costume making is happening with Leasa Cleaver from 1pm this Sunday in the Hoskins Centre and the with such a large cast the more help she gets, the easier her life will be. If you own a sewing machine and can do a simple straight stitch we’d love to have your assistance. We would also love some donations of set and props to help us along with the show as the setting of the late 1950s in Ohio means we have some very specific needs. If anyone might have in an old shed or forgotten cupboard (or you spot something in an Op Shop) the following items that would be greatly appreciated:

• Colourful pouf
• Steel laminated dining set
• Old rotary phones
• Flashbulb camera prop
• Chrome microphone
THE ARMidALE SCHOOL Presents

Bye Birdie
A Musical Comedy

In Association with NEGS and PLC

Book by Michael Stewart Music by Charles Strouse
Lyrics by Lee Adams

Originally produced by Edward Padula

17, 18, 19 March 7:30pm
18 March 2:00pm

Tickets $25, $20, $15 hoskins.as.edu.au or 6776 5878

by arrangement with Hal Leonard Australia Pty Ltd
It’s Busy Again

Within half an hour of the last lesson last Friday the boarders from White House travelled to Coffs Harbour’s Park Beach for the annual coast trip. It was really encouraging to note that a number of Middle School day students availed themselves of this opportunity, too. Needless to say perhaps, but all seemed to have a wonderful time: swimming in the pool and the Jetty area; living in cabins; the Jetty Jump; trampoline competitions; BBQ meals and, despite the near constant light rain, some beach walks. It is encouraging to report that, after only one and a half actual school weeks, our students were more often than not laughing and communicating easily with one another and the staff. We were fortunate to have our new Director of Boarding, Michael Holland, and his family, Julie and Lucy, with us. I know for a fact that boarders have been very busy as this weekend follows the first where so many activities were arranged on campus – all of which were designed to enable students and staff to get to know one another quickly and well.

So, we’ve now completed two weeks and from reports made by Middle School staff, I’m increasingly confident that the our and girls are progressing well. New ones, especially, are managing adjustments to new routines in a new school with so many others they’ve only recently met. But, as indicated over the last few weeks, we need to keep contact as there may be some issues relating to your children’s welfare that we can assist with to ensure the easiest possible management of school life at the beginning of the year. Further, it’s important for them to know that you are communicating with us. I know that Homeroom teachers are contacting you to introduce themselves and this communication will provide you with the opportunity to forge mutually beneficial relationships that concern your children and their well being at TAS.

Positive Education

Whilst on the subject of relationships – Positive Ed continues as a strand in the Middle School curriculum. Its formal inclusion in PDHPE curriculum is an acknowledgement of its importance to all of us. Essentially, the subject concerns itself with building good relations with their peers and also with staff. The timing is good. Students at this age are growing into themselves, developing stronger personality traits and, as such, beginning to form stronger friendships. They’re also at that stage of life where they realize they can’t be everyone's friend; a stage where they need to develop strategies that enable them to live and work happily with others regardless of friendship groups. For Middle School students, in particular, such a process is vital because it encourages tolerance, enquiry and engagement of and with others.
I'm likely to be writing about this topic again, but suffice it to say that all students are being given some strategies you and I probably weren't given at the same age to assist the formation of normal and positive relationships, especially early adolescent ones.

**Swimming Carnival**

You'll have received by now information about the Parent Information Session, BBQ and start of the Swimming Carnival this coming Thursday evening. Again, I encourage you, wherever possible, to attend these sessions and also the continuing swimming activities on Friday. For many families this will be your first actual contact with the their children and it's time to ‘catch up’, encourage and listen to them. Certainly, there's much news to tell and I know the Middle School students are looking forward to the end of this week, in particular. All, for example, have been attending their Senior Houses for War Cry sessions and such activities are necessary to the development of their perceptions of 'community'. The Boarding House Prefects and Swimming Captains are making our boys and girls feel welcome in their respective Houses — I know this for a fact because I've been trailing after them to witness the activity. As was the case over the last few years, while our students' capacity (I refer to students of all ages, not just your children) to 'hold a tune' is questionable, the volume is nothing less than impressive and I know you, too, will enjoy the Carnival. I'm looking forward to meeting and seeing you again on Thursday and Friday of this week.

Mr Mark Harrison
Head of Middle School
It has been a very busy week, settling into a good routine and I am very pleased with the tenor of both the playground and the classroom. With our Swimming Championships yesterday, the buzz around Junior School at the moment is palpable and I look forward to this continuing.

I congratulate our House Leaders, appointed this week in time for our first big House sporting event after they had the chance to speak about there goals for the year. They are: Broughton: Daniel Morgan and Oliver Smart, Green: Will Nash and Tom Gellie & Ross: Toby Inglis and Lachlan Costello. There will be one more round of voting before the Athletics carnival and these leaders will form the backbone of our Leadership Team for 2016. Later in the term they will be attending our Leadership Conference held with many other schools throughout the region.

We will have the first of our assemblies tomorrow in the Hoskins Centre and I invite you all to attend. Whether your child is hosting the assembly or not, it is a great way to stay in touch with the focus each of our classes has throughout the term. Today’s assembly is Year 5 and the assemblies that follow are advertised ahead of time in TAS Talks.

Mr Ian Lloyd
Head of Junior School

Looking Ahead

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Happy Birthday

We wish all those celebrating a birthday this week a very happy birthday.

Arrival at School

Now that family routines are established again for school term, we would appreciate children arriving at School no later than 8.45am each morning.

Class lessons start at 8.45am and children can miss crucial planning for the day if they arrive late and it also disrupts the learning of other children in the class.

Your children get an even greater start to the day if they can be here for at least 15 minutes prior to this so that they can play with their friends before School starts.

Supervision does not start in the playground until 8.15am. The School is not in a position to provide supervision before this time so it is important that children do not arrive early unless special arrangements have been made.

Absentee notices

Exemption forms are a BOS requirement for any child taking leave for any other reason than illness. Forms can be downloaded from the Junior School Homepage. In the case of illness please email your classroom teacher with a copy to Fiona at junior@as.edu.au as soon as possible. All records for absentees will be filed at the School for administrative purposes.

Year 5 Homework Centre / Library

Each year, 5th class have the opportunity to visit the Library in the afternoons after school. This is a privilege available only to Year 5 students and it is anticipated that they will act responsibly at all times. Should you wish your child to be allowed to do this, please email or write to Mrs Waters with your consent to do so. Due to the absence of a Junior School staff member children using the library are not allowed to use their laptops during this time.

Chess Club

Chess Club will be held on Tuesday mornings at 8.10am in the E&E classroom room.

Middles School students will be on hand to give advice and help those students who are learning the game of Chess.

Head Lice

Please be diligent in checking your child’s head for Head Lice. Many children in the Armidale area have already had Head Lice this year and we would love to keep lice out of the School. Below is a link to the Government website on head lice detection and control. Please take the time to view this website.
**PYP Update**

This term the weekly PYP reports will initially focus on the five essential elements of the programme. These elements are: Attitudes, Skills, Knowledge, Concepts and Actions.

**Attitudes**

The IB PYP has identified 12 attitudes, which they consider worthy of introducing to students. We, as a Junior School staff believe the identified attitudes have great merit in our school. Below is a brief outline of each attitude and their ‘student friendly’ meaning.

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<td>Integrity</td>
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These attitudes are on display in all classrooms and other learning environments such as the Library. They are referred to on a regular basis throughout the course of a school day across all Key Learning Areas, at sports training and whilst in the playground.

Each of the attitudes have been carefully embedded across the 6 trans-disciplinary Units of Inquiry taught. The aim is for students to be able to identify the attitudes they have used and to also reflect upon these.

In order to maintain continuity of language and common connections between home and school environments colour copies of an Attitudes poster will be available from your child’s class teacher.

*Mrs Veronica Waters*  
PYP Coordinator
JS Swimming Carnival

What a fabulous day was had in the TAS pool yesterday for our Junior School Swimming Carnival. In particular, the children had a wonderful day and must be commended on their sportsmanship, participation and enthusiasm. We would also like to thank the large contingent of parents who supported us throughout the day, time keeping and manning the P&F Canteen.

The winning house for 2016 was Ross on 653 points.

Records broken this year were:

- Tom Ball 50m Freestyle 48.12
- Tom Ball 50m Backstroke 46.79
- Mitchell Evans 25m Butterfly 31.38
- Toby Inglis 25m Butterfly 25.47
- Tom Ball 50m Butterfly 48.53

Individual results:

Age Champions

- 6 Years Runner Up boy: Jack Wood
- 6 Years Champion boy: Hamish Leahy and Xavier Stephen
- 6 Years Champion girl: Lucy Taylor
- 7 Years Runner Up boy: Joe Fenwicke
- 7 Years Champion boy: Peter Thompson
- 7 Years Runner Up girl: Lucy Holland
- 7 Years Champion girl: Sophia White
- 8 Years Runner Up boy: Tom Rowe
- 8 Years Champion boy: Charlie Ryan
- 8 Years Champion girl: Peyton Slade
- 9 Years Runner Up boy: Lachie Litchfield
- 9 Years Champion boy: Iles Baker
- 10 Years Runner Up boy: Abbott White
- 10 Years Champion boy: Tom Ball

- 11 Years Runner Up boy: Will Nash
- 11 Years Champion boy: Hugh Taylor
- 11 Year Champion girl: Esther Lindeman

Division Results

Sub Junior Boy: Peter Thompson
Runner Up: Joe Fenwicke

Sub Junior Girl: Sophia White
Runner Up: Lucy Holland

Junior Boy: Tom Ball
Runner Up: Iles Baker

Junior Girl: Peyton Slade

Senior Boy: Peter Evans
Runner Up: Hugh Taylor

Senior Girl: Esther Lindeman

Macready Cup Winner for Highest Point Score:
Tom Ball (80 points)

Tom Ball wins the Macready Cup for Highest Point score, as well as achieving the Junior Boy Champion and breaking 3 records on the day
Andy Li enjoys the support from Year 5 during the novelty events

Harry Brownlie excels!

Lachie Hunt with the Broughton House mascot
Gymnastics

Our second Gymnastics session for the season began with a different version of Captain’s Coming, providing plenty of opportunity for warming up our bodies. This was followed by some very important stretches. The circuit rotation included forward rolls and log rolls. Some impressive forward rolls were on display with such a big improvement noted since last year. Our 2 skill activities were next, with statics on the pommel and some colourful cheerleading combined with more work on our cartwheels. A special treat today was an introduction to bouldering on the new Rock Wall installed at the Gymnastics Centre. Our busy afternoon concluded with springing and landing into the pit and mini tramp routines. It was another great afternoon at the Gymnastics Club for everyone.

Mrs Anne Trenerry

Tennis

Despite a very hot afternoon the enthusiasm of all participants did not waver.

The students were divided into 3 rotational groups and participated in a range of volley skills. The skills involved predominately forearm drills for the older group with a greater focus on hand-eye co-ordinator for younger groups.

Following this, a game of 1:1 volley over the net was enjoyed with both fore and back arm being encouraged.

The session then concluded with a great game of ‘smash’ where the serve was reviewed in a fun manner.

Mrs Veronica Waters

Wilkie Davidson receives some tips from Mr Sherriff
‘We teach music because of its immeasurable capacity and potency to act on the heart, mind, spirit and soul.’

The New England Conservatorium’s acclaimed music programs for pre-schoolers, K-Yr 12 students and adults start up in February so don’t miss out on making music part of your life – enrol now for a great year of music.

- **Mini Minstrels Program**
  Introducing Music Skills for K-Yr 2

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  A comprehensive foundation program for children includes individual string, woodwind or brass lessons, ensembles and concerts.

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For information & enrolment:
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POTTERY CLASSES

Dear Parents,

Rick and Suzanne Hatch are again offering after-school classes in clay work. The goal of our teaching is for the children to have heaps of fun while developing imagination, hand skills, and the ability to solve problems with creative flair.

All classes are held in art room one of the Hoskins Center at The Armidale School. Year K to 3 is on Tuesdays from 4pm to 5pm, beginning February 10 and Year 4 to 8 is on Thursdays from 4pm to 5pm beginning February 12. The all inclusive cost for the 6 week term of lessons is $145.00

For enrollment or for more information please feel free to contact Rick Hatch on 67725371 or at weemalapot@yahoo.com.au.

When enrolling, please include your child’s name and age, and your name and phone number. We are also offering children aged 11 years and older the opportunity to attend an intensive weekend workshop at our pottery studio on March 14th and 15th.

Please contact us if you are interested.

Kind Regards,
Rick hatch
LOUISA SINDEL-MARSHALL
FIMEB LTCL LMusA LMusEdASMC LPefASMC AMusA ATCL AAGM ADipA ADipSCSM DipABRSM AMusicolASMC MAGTR MMTA

Louisa studied saxophone and piano as her main instruments and has taught saxophone, clarinet, flute, piano for leisure, musicianship and theory for over 15 years in Sydney. She also specialises in conducting school concert bands and woodwind ensembles.

Louisa studied under Mark Walton (Chair, Woodwind Unit, Sydney Conservatorium of Music), Jarrod Whitbourn and classical saxophone with Professor B. Dubreuil in Paris.

Louisa has run her private studio in Sydney for many years, teaching from Prelim through to advanced Associate Diploma level and received the AMEB Teachers Shield in 2006.

Louisa and her family have chosen a tree-change to Armidale due to its outstanding reputation as a leader in regional music and culture.

PAUL MARSHALL
DipComp (SCSM) LCompASMC(Hons) LMusEdASMC ATCL AAGM ADipA ADipSCSM

As a young musician, Paul studied saxophone, violin, viola, double bass and guitar and then began composing at the age of 16.

Paul currently teaches saxophone, clarinet, flute, brass, double bass, composition, theory and musicianship.

He teaches in his busy Sindel-Marshall Studio in Sydney, preparing students for AMEB exams and the HSC. He also specialises in conducting local school concert bands, string ensembles and a Jazz Ensemble.

Paul is a prolific composer and Reed Music has published 11 books of his works for clarinet, saxophone, cello and bassoon, several of which are in the new AMEB syllabuses for saxophone, clarinet and cello syllabuses.

Paul is an experienced woodwind repairer and is also learning how to build oboes!
ROSS LOW MEMORIAL JUNIOR OPEN
SUNDAY 14th FEBRUARY 2016

In association with Armidale Veterans Golfers Association and Armidale Golf Club Ladies Members

New England District Golf Association & Jack Newton Junior Golf

ORDER OF MERIT competition
Open to all Juniors with or without handicaps
18 hole event – handicaps required - $20
9 hole event – Open to Juniors with or without handicaps - $15
4 hole event - Open to Juniors with or without handicaps - $12

MAIN EVENTS
18 Holes Gross (each division), 18 Holes Nett (each division), Nearest the Pins

Entries Close up to the day, late entries will be accepted depending on numbers
Fax (02) 6772 9197 email: manager@armidalegolf.com.au

ENTRY FORM (Only one entrant on each form please)
ROSS LOW MEMORIAL JUNIOR OPEN

Surname: (Pls Print)____________________Given Name__________________  Male /Female (circle)
Address:___________________________________________________________Postcode_______
Email Address:- ___________________________________________________________________
Phone:________________   Competitor’s Club _______________________________
Handicap:_____ Golf Link No:___________________ Event (circle) 18 or 9 or 4 holes

Forward payment with entry form   OR    Credit Card Payment Details
Name on Card: ………………………………… Card Number: ………………………………..
Expiry Date: ……………………………….. Signature: ……………………………………

“We hope you enjoy your golf and your experience at Armidale Golf Club”