

# TAS TALKS #10

Weekly Newsletter of The Armidale School



Term 3, Week 10 – Wednesday 27 September, 2006

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## Headmaster

### Weekend Activities

The past weekend was a full and happy one for the School, with plenty of celebrations involving students, parents and old boys. What became four days of events kicked off with the Hawkesbury Dinner where our largest ever contingent of paddlers and landcrew girded their loins for the adventure ahead and heard a personal story of how their fundraising efforts can help the battle against leukaemia.

The Old Boys' succeeded in retrieving the Croft Cup after the sporting clashes on Saturday and enjoyed reunion dinners at School and around the town for 5, 10, 20, 30, 50 and even 58 year leavers.

Those who were still up to it joined together for the special Old Boys' Service on Sunday morning and many of them stayed on to see the Cadet Unit on parade.

I offer my compliments to Major Harris and SUO Jason Hunt on the success of Passing Out Parade. A number of our military guests, whose opinions I respect, made the special effort to comment that the parade was one of the best they had seen in many years and this is high praise indeed.

The last few days have also seen the formal end to the winter sport season, with the last of the finals in football and basketball and I have enjoyed seeing the efforts of the many teams going through to grand finals. If our success is to be measured by competition rankings, this must be the most successful winter season the School has enjoyed for some time. Sunday night also completed the rugby season with an entertaining and enjoyable final dinner for our senior players.

### Farewell to the Class of 2006

This is also the time of year that we say farewell to our senior year and the boarding house and day boy Year 12 functions held over the last few days have heralded their departure at the end of the week.

The School as a whole will have the opportunity to bid Year 12 well at their final assembly on Thursday and then the School pays their respects by lining the school drive for the Valedictory procession. The sense of occasion that Valedictory Day presents is such that we have seen fit to arrange special boarder buses to avoid the early departures that CountryLink has introduced this year.

This is a tradition that every boy in the School can look forward to when their time comes and so I am confident that they will be supportive of it. I encourage parents also to support our collective desire to farewell the 2006 seniors in good style by avoiding requests for early leave.

### Best Wishes to Travellers

This holiday break sees TAS groups heading to St Christopher's in Fiji, the Kokoda Track and Gordonstoun in Scotland. Each of these very different ventures will be special experiences for those fortunate enough to take part and I wish all of our travellers safe and rewarding journeys.

Murray Guest

## Round Square

### Round Square Conferences

Farewell and safe travels to both Junior and Regional student delegations who have been selected to represent TAS at both these conferences.

Junior Conference delegation left for Westminster School's campsite at Adelaide on Sunday morning accompanied by Mr Dennis Dempster and Ms Catherine Boydell. The theme for the conference is "It starts with one" and will be held at the Tattachilla Camp and Conference centre just out of Adelaide until Thursday when the group will explore Adelaide and surrounds until their return on Saturday.

The delegates are:

Henry Noakes, Peter Lynn, Sam Strang, Anthony Pitt, Mitch Maguire and Andrew Denning.

### International Conference

This group will leave on Saturday for a pre-conference tour to Amsterdam, Brussels and the Western Front in Belgium and France prior to attending the Round Square International Conference hosted by Gordonstoun in Scotland. The delegation of Alex Butt, Adam Penman, Daniel Kahl, Nic Cameron and Robbie Oppenheimer will be accompanied by Messrs Guest, Harris and Levins. Robbie Oppenheimer is currently on exchange at Gordonstoun and will conclude his exchange by attending the conference.

Congratulations to all the boys who have risen to the occasion both in preparation and enthusiasm and we look forward to hearing of their experiences next term.

Round Square Reps Mr Harris and Mrs Barnier

# Weekly Calendar

## Wednesday 27 September

	Round Square Junior Conference at Westminster, Adelaide
7.45am	TAS Singers rehearse
8.00am	Jnr Vocal Ensemble rehearse
3.45pm	Junior Drama in Moyes
5.45pm	<b>Junior School Art Show in Big School</b>
6.30pm	<b>Junior School Concert in Memorial Hall</b>
6.00pm	Big Band rehearse

## Thursday 28 September

	Round Square Junior Conference at Westminster, Adelaide
7.45am	Brass Ensemble rehearse
7.45am	TAS Orchestra rehearse in Music Centre
1.45pm	<b>Final Assembly for Year 12</b>

## Friday 29 September

**Valedictory Day**  
**Boarders' buses depart**  
**End of Term – have a great holiday**

## Holiday Activities

29 Sept – 9 October	Fiji Pilgrimage
30 Sept – 15 October	International Round Square Conference at Gordonstoun, Scotland
2 – 13 October	Kokoda Track Expedition

## Chaplain

### Finals fever #6 Revelation 21:1-4

Let us all observe a moment of silence...

This world swims in injustice everyday, Saturday night was no exception. So, we forget the NRL for another year, after all, it's a pathetic excuse for 'football', a game for thugs and the morally delinquent. Therefore, our attention turns to another great red and white team who will bring honour to our great state, unlike their league counterparts.

However, it's not that easy when we are faced with real life tragedy. We cannot simply stick our heads in the sand and focus our attention elsewhere. This world, as I have mentioned, is plagued by pain and suffering, corruption and injustice. So the question is often raised, will the pain ever end? Will God ever intervene? Will this world be characterised by anything different?

The reading from Revelation tells us everything will be made new. Not simply selected bits and pieces of creation, but all things. There will be a new heaven and a new earth. The new earth will be so reformed and restored that it will be worthy to accommodate even God Himself. God will make the new earth His dwelling place, and since where God dwells there heaven is, there will be a merger between heaven and earth. Heaven and earth will be as one. The earth will be restored to its former glory.

Typically we have pleasant images of heaven; it seems a place of tranquillity and bliss. Images of eternity spent in white robes, plucking harps, singing hymns and floating on fairy floss clouds.

However, this is not the picture in Revelation. Rather, God will make His dwelling with us, His regenerated earth, His perfected creation.

The desert shall blossom as the rose, the sound of weeping will no longer be familiar to our ears, and the wolf and lamb shall feed together. You see all things will be renewed. No need to discuss whether there exists an exclusive heaven for doggies (which maybe of some comfort to Canterbury supporters), all things shall be renewed, heaven and earth shall merge.

There may be strife and injustice now, but God promises to intervene, to return this creation to His plans and design. When St George turned their season around a few weeks ago the Herald branded Gasnier "The Center of the universe". Well he let us down, he wasn't good enough to make The Storm quiet. When Jesus was on earth he could calm the storm, which is a hint of what he will eventually do. Revelation tells us that when Jesus returns He will be the centre of the universe, all things will finally come under His Kingship and be as they should, "He will wipe every tear from our eyes. There will be no more death or crying or mourning or pain, for the old order of things will have passed away."

Rev Richard Newton

## P&F Association



It's that time of year again! The RazzamaTAS Fete is on Saturday, 4 November (that's week 3 of next term!) and we are seeking your generous support for the day.

The holidays could be just the time to clean out those cupboards for items that are saleable, or to find those recipes appropriate for the year group stalls listed below.

Brenda Carrigan has kindly agreed to run the Country Fair stall and she will be needing lots of jams and preserves.

### Transition: **Lucky dip**

Liaison: Rose Meehan, Tania Slack-Smith

### Kindergarten: **Preschool Playground with packed lunches**

Liaison: Emma Hooper, Marion Stanton

### Year 1: **Recycled primary children's clothing**

Liaison: Kath Harris, Jen Cook

### Year 2: **Measure speed of bowling into cricket nets & tombola**

Liaison: Jackie Murphy, Viv Tearle

### Year 3: **Mobile phone toss**

Liaison: Margot Hill, Scott Waterson

### Year 4: **Hot dogs, pies, sausage rolls**

Liaison: Heather McPhie, Katherine McBride

**Year 5: Tombola & show bags**  
 Liaison: Jacqui Powell, Lisa Allen, Janine Ranck, Karen Hutton

**Middle School: White Elephant, second-hand books, money tree**  
 Margie Roberts to co-ordinate

**Year 6 Liaison:** Jenny Sewell, Manuela das Neves

**Year 7 Liaison:** Lyn Webster, Margie Roberts, Jennie Johnston

**Year 8 Liaison:** Kaye Denning, Victoria MacNaughton, Sylvia Marks

**Year 9: Fruit salad, pancakes**  
 Liaison: Marg Fenwicke, Kim Blomfield, Jill Perkins

**Year 10: Cake & homemade sweets stall**  
 Liaison: Kelly Lamoureux, Linda Pearson,

**Year 11: Gourmet pizzas**  
 Convenor: Bar Mulligan, Meg Liston

**Country Fair: Jams & preserves**  
 Convenor: Brenda Carrigan

Wishing everyone a safe and happy holiday,  
 Cheers Gaye (67720451, gayetombs@yahoo.com.au)  
 and Mindy 67723375



## Recycled Children's Clothing

If you are planning to clean out your kids clothes during these holidays – please remember our TAS fete.

Year 1 are running the recycled children's clothing stall this year – this was hugely popular in 2005.

Please leave any such items in Reception and there is a box for collection in the afterschool care room in Junior School. We are also seeking clothes racks to display the clothes. We need these a few weeks prior to the fete, so if you can help please contact us.

Jen and Kath, Year 1 Liaison Parents phone 6772 9366

## Student Services

### End of Term Travel

End of term bus departure times from TAS are:

#### Departure time – 7.45am

Bus to Bourke stopping at: Wee Waa, Cryon, Walgett, Bourke

Bus to Lightning Ridge stopping at: Inverell, Delungra, Warialda, Collarenabri, Lightning Ridge

#### Departure time – 9.45am

Bus to Dubbo stopping at: Coonabarabran, Dubbo

#### Departure time – 11.30am

Bus to Sydney stopping at: Willow Tree, Scone, Maitland, Broadmeadow, Gosford, Hornsby, Waitara and Central.

Bus to Moree stopping at: Tamworth, Gunnedah, Boggabri, Narrabri and Moree

#### Departure time – 2.00pm

Bus to Tenterfield stopping at: Glen Innes, Deepwater, Tenterfield

#### Departure time – 4.00pm

Bus to the coast stopping at: Dorrigo, Bellingen, Coffs Harbour, Clybucca, Port Macquarie

Arrival times to these destinations will be available early next week. Students should collect their tickets from the Students Services Office on Wednesday next week.

If you have any questions regarding travel please call 6776 5806.

Vickey O'Brien, Student Services

**WANTED-wanted-WANTED-  
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 WANTED**

**Once again!**

**FOR THE SCHOOL  
 FETE PLANT STALL**

**Contributions of potted plants**

**Last year's contributions were absolutely  
 out of this world and I'm hoping this year's  
 will be just as good,if not better,**

**so**

**PLEASE,PLEASE,PLEASE!!!**

**I know you will all be asked to bake cakes, man  
 stalls etc.**

**And I know everyone is BUSY, but if everyone  
 pots just a few it would make all the  
 difference!**

**Also wanted: donations of empty pots.  
 Collection boxes for these will be in the after  
 school care room.**

**Please ring 67781150 or 67724201 about when  
 and where to drop off your plants!!**

**Many thanks for your anticipated fabulous  
 contributions!!**

**Dominique & Michelle Laurie**



# General Notices

## End of Term Buses/Valedictory

The five boarding schools in Armidale and Tamworth have unsuccessfully tried to have the Country Link buses departure delayed until after the Valedictory Service on Friday 29 September.

In an effort to support Year 12 and the Valedictory lining of the drive, the school will provide transport for our Sydney students and those going to Tamworth, Gunnedah, Narrabri and Moree. I trust parents will understand the reason for doing this and also hope that all leave prior to this time be kept to a minimum in order to have an impressive service for out departing Year 12.

Grant Harris

## Year 11 2007 Subject Choices

Forms detailing courses being offered in timetable lines for 2007 have been published and distributed to Year 10 students.

Any student who has a clash that is unable to be resolved is advised to seek an appointment with the Director of Studies, Mr Peter Hall, as soon as possible.

Forms are available via download from the TAS 'current happenings' website. Please return these, completed and signed by parent/guardian, by Monday 16 October.

Completed forms may be faxed via [02] 6776 5830. Please contact Meg Sadler for further assistance or information, (email: msadler@as.edu.au or [02] 6776 5805).

## KnowLedge —TAS laptops

By now all parents of students from Year 2 to Year 11 should have received the Headmaster's letter announcing our 1 to 1 laptop program for 2007, referred to as KnowLedge (If you Know how to Learn you have the Edge)



We have developed a list of Frequently Asked Questions (and we've answered them!) which can be found at a new website:

<http://knowledge.as.edu.au> which will contain more and more information about the Knowledge program.

This list of questions and answers will grow with your help. Please email [knowledge@as.edu.au](mailto:knowledge@as.edu.au) with any queries you may have.

We all look forward to working together with the school community on this exciting project.

Martin Levins, Director IT

Two TAS boys, Arjun and Gunar Daniel (violins) are part of the newly formed string quartet – "The Little Red Quartet" – along with Hannah Rowland (viola) and Camilla Tafra (cello). These young people will be the support act for CODA at the Armidale Club, Beardy St this Friday 29 September at 8pm. Entry at door, \$10.00

CODA are classically trained musicians who play a diverse repertoire.

"CODA have carved a niche for themselves with a mesmerising instrumental mix of rock, classical, eastern, electronic and psychedelic music. Because CODA cover such a broad spectrum of sounds, they appeal to dance, classical and urban music fans alike." (Time Off)

Come along for a great night out to finish off the term.

## Video Available

### TAS Cadet Unit Passout Parade Sunday 24th September 2006

<b>Video Tapes</b>	<b>\$40 ea</b>
<b>DVD</b>	<b>\$33 ea</b>
<b>Postage</b>	<b>\$5</b>
	<b>(if required)</b>

#### Contact:

#### Audio Visual Technologies Armidale

**33 Bowman Ave**

**Armidale NSW 2350**  
**Phone 02 6771-2450**

**Fax 02 6771-2110**

**Email [audiovis@bigpond.com](mailto:audiovis@bigpond.com)**

## Year 12 HSC... Young Life Study Camp 2006

There is no use denying it any more, the HSC is just around the corner. Don't spend your holidays sitting in your room procrastinating and feeling guilty that you're not getting any work done. Sign up for the Young Life study camp to recharge the batteries

#### Where? Lennox Head

Have some fun and most importantly get a stack of study done at the same time!

When: Sun 1st Oct – Sun 7th October

Cost: \$350

Any questions or want more information see Mr Bock.



## Fiji Pilgrimage

Only a few days now until the group of students and staff head off to Suva, Fiji for the annual pilgrimage to St Christopher's orphanage. Parents of the boys and

girls joined the group at TAS yesterday for a BBQ lunch and a chance to meet staff and parents and see everyone that is going on the trip.

We have been very fortunate also to have Cristal and Ross Haron working above and beyond their call by rallying support for the trip in Glen Innes. In fact 90 year old Norah Elliot from Glen Innes has given the group a \$150.00 donation – many thanks Norah.

They have also sourced a huge amount of dental and medical supplies for the group to take to Fiji which will be appreciated by the sisters. A huge thank you to them offering their time to assist.

We need to thank Mark Bullen from Armidale Bike Centre for providing the industry contacts and sourcing the kids bikes that we are taking for the children. The group will put them together over there and then teach the orphans how to ride. Should be great fun for them all.

There has been great support through TAS Middle School with the parents and students providing some much needed funds for the bikes and supporting the movie night at Belgrave Cinema.

Now if we can just make Friday's 6:30am flight...

Deon Moss

## Thank You

Simon and I would like to say a huge "thank you" to the many wonderful TAS parents and staff who have shown us so much kindness and support over the past three months since my diagnosis with breast cancer. My treatment is going really well, and I know that the care you've shown is helping enormously. At times when we may have experienced stress, we have been able to relax and enjoy our family time together. It's a precious gift having such a loving family, and so many supportive friends in the TAS community.

Many thanks and much love,  
Ali, Simon, Jessica and Sarah Hughes

## Holiday Music Fun

A one week intensive course of recorder and musicianship from 9–14 October, 2006 leading to a public performance in November. Two hours each afternoon between 2.00 and 6.00pm.

Groups to be formed with: Young Beginners, Young Advanced Players, Adult Beginners.

Contact: Cecile Michels-Thorn. Phone (02) 6772 5889

Email: cmichels@aapt.net.au

*You are invited to ...*

*A Very Fabulous  
Armidale Event*

# The Melbourne Cup

**Tuesday 7 November  
at 11.30am**

*all proceeds to TAS  
Creative Arts Centre*

*Celebrated at  
'Belmont'*

*Tombs Road, Armidale*

**tickets \$45.00 per  
person**

**Invitations from  
TAS Reception or  
Jackie Murphy 6771 1441  
Sandra Kaynes 6772 3370**

**an event not to be missed**

## TAS Year 12 Study Camp

Bookings for both the Study Camp and the RCG Course should be made on line via the TAS website at [www.as.edu.au](http://www.as.edu.au) via the Current Happenings page (link to "HSC Study Camp").

**Remember that Registrations close on Wednesday 27 September. Any queries contact Anna Ireland in the Enrolments Office.**

# Australia's Open Garden Scheme



presents  
**two outstanding gardens  
open on 28/29 October  
from 10.00am to 4.30pm**

## • Jeogla Station

on the Kempsey Road, Wollomombi  
– from Armidale take the Waterfall Way  
towards Grafton; travel 41 kms and turn  
right into Kempsey Road; garden is further  
10 kms on right

## • Palaroo

– from Armidale take the Waterfall Way to-  
wards Grafton; travel 27 kms and turn right  
into Stockton Road; in Hillgrove turn left at  
the phone box into Long Point Road, garden  
is a further 6.5 kms on left

**Admission \$5.00 per garden**

catering by the TAS P&F  
Association with proceeds  
going to the TAS P&F

## Opportunities for Boarders

An opportunity has arisen for boarders to do some TAFE courses on Sundays. The Rural skills staff in their usual flexible fashion are prepared to give up some Sundays to provide training for TAS.

### The First option is Fishing:

The course will cover Comply with Fisheries Management and Recreational Industry Practical Skills. The dates available are 22 October, 12 November and 26 November. TAS will provide transport and meals for the students and thus the only cost to students would be the enrolment fee \$185. Junior students could be catered for as Trout fishing is suitable for all ages.

The other options for this year and next year could include Horse riding, Saddlery maintenance, Rod Building, Lure Making, Viticulture Skills, Fencing skills, Wool Classing, plant propagation, shearing skills etc. All modules would provide formal training and would require assessment of competence to get a pass result. All modules completed would contribute to a recognised TAFE qualification that could be completed over a number of years.

TAFE can be flexible with dates so please give us the opportunity to negotiate something that will involve the boys in a positive learning experience.

All enquiries to Peter Hall please.



## Kokoda Track Expedition 2nd – 13th October

Excitement and anticipation mounts for the Kokoda Track Expedition. The group is fit and ready for the incredible challenge of the track. The historical significance of this expedition is of primary importance, 64 years after the Australians pushed the Japanese back over the Owen Stanley Range in October 1942. The words inscribed on the Isurava War Memorial "Courage Endurance Mateship Sacrifice" will be our focus as we struggle over the track next week! To keep track of the group's movements, the trek itinerary is listed:

### ITINERARY:

MON 02 OCT	Depart from BRISBANE International Terminal on Air Niugini.
TUE 03 OCT	Road to Ower's Corner. Commence trek with first overnight at Ua Ule.
WED 04 OCT	Trek to Naoro Village and overnight
THU 05 OCT	Trek to Menari and spend 2 nights with village hosts. TAS has arranged a service project in Menari, painting and repairing building including the village school.
FRI 06 OCT	Day spent at Menari Village with time to enjoy some local hospitality.
SAT 07 OCT	Leave Menari and trek across Brigade Hill, through Efogi Village and on to Kagi Village.
SUN 08 OCT	Trek to Naduri Village and meet Ovoru Indiki, one of the last "Fuzzy Angels" living on the track.
MON 09 OCT	Trek around the edge of the Myola Lake basin, through an amazing moss forest and on to Templeton's Crossing.
TUE 10 OCT	Trek to Eora Creek, visit Alolo Village then continue on to the Isurava. Monument site for overnight stop.
WED 11OCT	A brief Dawn service at the Memorial before heading to Hoi Village, then To the end of the Trail at Kokoda.

THU 12 OCT Transfer by vehicle and drive 3 hours to Popondetta. Join flight to Port Moresby. Visit to Bomana War Cemetery.

FRI 13 OCT Early morning departure to Brisbane

## Boat Licencing

On the evening of Monday 18 September John Thompson from Tamworth's NSW Waterways Authority conducted a boat licencing seminar in the McConville Centre.

This was well attended by students, parents and staff. The success of the night was seen in all 23 participants passing their licencing exam on Monday 25 September. All are now ready to enjoy the coming holidays and warming weather out on the water.

Thanks must be made to John Thompson and Diane Williams from the Waterways Authority for their time and traveling from Tamworth to conduct both the seminar and testing. Congratulations to the following boys on their latest achievement.

Matthew Lawson (yr 6), Grant Lillyman (yr 7,) Andrew Pryor (yr 8), Matthew Rowe (yr 8), Sam Jeffrey (yr 9), Sam Kahl (yr 9), Tom McDoull (yr 10), Terry Watkins (yr 10), David Rice (yr 10). Daniel Kahl (yr 11), Anthony Pryor (yr 11), Sam W Campbell (yr 11), Tom Mulligan (yr 11), Jake McNeil (yr 11), Michael Swaine (yr 12), Alex McDonald (yr 12), Tom Chamberlain (yr 12)

## Applications are invited for TAS Music Scholarships for 2007

All applicants should begin by familiarising themselves with the conditions pertaining to Music Scholarships before making application. The conditions for Music Scholarships and an Application Form can be located on the schools website at [www.as.edu.au/admissions/scholarships](http://www.as.edu.au/admissions/scholarships). If you do not have access to the internet, Conditions and an Application Form can be obtained by contacting the Enrolments Office on 6776 5823.

Applications close on Friday 27 October, 2006 with auditions being held in November.

As a guideline for scholarship applicants, the AMEB or equivalent grade standard to have attained are as follows:

- \*Junior School                      Years 1 to 5  
Grade 2 AMEB OR a graduate from Suzuki Book 2
- \*Middle School                     Years 6, 7 & 8  
Grade 3 or 4 AMEB OR a graduate from Suzuki Book 3 or 4
- \*Senior School                     Years 9 & 10  
Grade 4 or 5 AMEB OR a graduate from Suzuki Book 4 or 5
- \*Senior School                     Years 11 & 12  
Grade 6 AMEB OR above



## Musical Notes

On Tuesday the Junior Stage Band performed the theme from the Muppet Show as part of the school assembly. I have had many favourable comments regarding the quality of the sound the band is producing at the moment. Special mention must go to Angus Trennery (trombone), Ryan Slater (trumpet) and Jock Armstrong (alto sax) who are leading the way in their respective instrumental areas.

During the Old Boys weekend last weekend the Chapel Choir performed as part of the Sunday morning choral communion. As well as Sam Payne, Michael Young and Nigel Bell also sang solos. Straight afterwards saw the Passing out Parade which featured the cadet band under the direction of Mr Hughes.

This week sees the Junior School concert 'The Billabong Prank' which should be great fun, on Thursday Ms Roobol will be taking the Year 3 - 5 choir to Kent House to sing for the senior citizens and on Friday the chapel choir will be in action once again as part of the Valedictory Day.

### And Finally A Player's Guide for Keeping Conductors in Line part 2

- 1 At dramatic moments in the music (while the conductor is emoting) be busy marking your music so that the climaxes will sound empty and disappointing!
- 2 Wait until well into a rehearsal before letting the conductor know you don't have the music!
- 3 Look at your watch frequently! Shake it in disbelief occasionally!
- 4 Tell the conductor, "I can't find the beat!" Conductors are always sensitive about their "stick technique", so challenge it frequently!
- 5 Ask the conductor if he has listened to the Bernstein recording of the piece! Imply that he could learn a thing or two from it! Also good: ask "Is this the first time you've conducted this piece?"
- 6 When rehearsing a difficult passage, screw up your face and shake your head indicating that you'll never be able to play it! Don't say anything: make him wonder!
- 7 If your articulation differs from that of others playing the same phrase, stick to your guns! Do not ask the conductor which is correct until backstage just before the concert!

8 Find an excuse to leave rehearsal about 15 minutes early so that others will become restless and start to pack up and fidget!

9 During applause, smile weakly or show no expression at all! Better yet... nonchalantly put away your instrument! Make the conductor feel he is keeping you from doing something really important!

Ian Slater, Director of Music

## Careers

### Applying to University for 2007

Applications for NSW, QLD and Victorian universities close on 29th September. Late applications can be made with an additional fee. Boys need to refer to respective state UAC, QTAC or VTAC handbooks and will generally apply via the web.

### University Scholarships

Information on University Scholarships is held in the Study Centre, and on university websites. Most scholarship applications have opened and close on 29 September.

### Defence Force Careers – Army, Navy or Airforce

Defence is recruiting school leavers for a range of careers: officers, general enlistment and apprenticeships. See Mr Thatcher or call Defence Recruiting on Ph 131901.

### Accounting Cadetship

A local Armidale firm have a cadetship on offer for 2007. See flyer on website – current happenings/careers. Applications close on 6th October.

## Sport

### Rugby

#### # Landmark Cup Finals Results

# Opens: TAS A defeated O'Connor 38 – 34

# 16s: TAS A defeated O'Connor

Date: Wednesday 20 September

#### Landmark Cup for Wednesday 27 September

Game	TAS team	Time	Opponents	Venue
Round 9	13s	4:10pm	OCC	UNE1

Transport: travel by TAS minibus departing Brown St at 3:45pm, returning to TAS at 5:15pm

### U15 Rugby Players

There has not been many applications for NIAS Rugby Scholarships this year. This is an excellent opportunity for player who turn 16 years of age in 2007 to develop their rugby skills. Please consider applying. 2007 Talent Development Program Applications for Scholarships are available on-line via the website at [www.nias.org.au](http://www.nias.org.au) Even though the closing date has past, NIAS will still accept applications for Rugby Scholarships.

### Football Results for Saturday 23 Sep

# 16A Bears won their Grand Final 3 – 2 against DK

# 10A Rams won their Grand Final 2 – 1

# 10 Eagles had a great time and we think they lost 1 – 2

### TAS Results at CIS Athletics

#### Primary

Congratulations to Will Monie, Adelaide Sherriff, Daniel Sole, Mark Carolan, Aaron Buckley, Tom Lomax–Sewell and Fletcher Ward who all competed, on behalf of the NCSA, at the NSW CIS Primary Athletics Championships. The best individual performance on the day by a TAS student was Aaron Buckley who cleared 1.41m in the 12/13yrs High Jump to gain 4th place out of 24 competitors. Our Senior Boys' Relay team, of Daniel Sole, Tom Lomax–Sewell, Fletcher Ward and Aaron Buckley also made the final of the Senior Boys' Relay.

This was a great achievement especially as Fletcher and Daniel are only 11 year olds.

#### Secondary

The following boys gained places:

# Simon Haron: U15, 1st 100m (11.49 sec), 1st 200m (23.12 sec). Simon set new CIS records in both these events plus his 200m time was a new TAS record.

# Sam Cameron: U18, 1st High jump (1.91m), 2nd Long jump (5.94m)

# Boyd Lamoureux: U16 = 1st 110m Hurdles

# David Rice: U16 2nd Javelin (47.28m) which is a new TAS record (previous record set in 1987)

# Charlie Lockyer: U16, 2nd 100m (11.56 sec), 3rd 200m (23.21 sec), 3rd Long Jump (5.88m)

# Cameron Britten: U16, 3rd 800m (2.07.09 min)

**Armidale Sports Council, in conjunction with Armidale Dumaresq Council will be holding a Civic Welcome for Will Brunson at the**

**Armidale ExServices Club  
Friday 29 September from 6.00 – 6.30pm**

**After Will's fantastic performances at the World Down Syndrome Titles in Ireland recently, for him to be returning back home with six world records, five gold two silver and a bronze medal, is an amazing effort.**

**In fact this could be one of the best performances by and Australian swimmer, any where any time.**

**All are welcome, just be at the Servies by 6.00pm Friday 29 September.**

**For further inquiries you can phone the President of the Armidale Sports Council Steve McMillan after hours on 6772 9772**

## 16A Football Report

The 16A's completed a memorable season on Saturday when they defeated Demon Knights Devils 3-2 in the grand final.

TAS came out with all guns blazing and dominated the opening stanza. The pressure paid off when Sam Gates finished well after 4 minutes for TAS to lead 1-0. After a short corner from Cameron Patrick and Sean Lee, Sam Gates popped up again to finish a goalmouth scramble for TAS to take a 2-0 lead.

TAS appeared set for a comfortable victory however there was a nasty twist when a controversial penalty was awarded to DK just after half-time which was duly converted,

making it 2-1. Further drama followed when a shot from DK rebounded downwards off the crossbar and the assistant referee awarded a goal. With TAS now under real pressure, the players showed nerves of steel to repel DK and were rewarded when Cal Lukeman broke free of his marker and coolly finished in the 65th minute to give TAS a 3-2 lead, which they held until the full-time whistle.

This result meant the 16A's finished the season as both minor and major premiers, a truly remarkable feat.

Norm Lockett (Coach)

## Basketball Monday 25 September

### TAS 1 28, Centurions 57

It was a big night for TAS basketball on Monday when the 1sts played in the Grand Final of the Armidale Men's B grade competition against Centurions, the team we had beaten in the major semi-final.

Centurions were at full strength this time, and from the outset made it difficult for TAS to get the ball inside to our big players. The big occasion seemed to make us try to force the pace, resulting in turnovers. Jack Archdale kept the scoreboard ticking over despite having an unlucky shooting night, and two 3-point shots by Alex Butt brought roars from the crowd of TAS supporters. Jason Jeong, back after several weeks with a broken wrist, played as if to make up for lost time, while Jin Choi was frequently in the action. Joe Piddington, on three fouls, came back in the second half to play very well under control, and made the play of the game in the last minute with a desperate chase and flying block on an opposition lay-up.

This was typical of our never-say-die attitude.

Main point scorers: Jack Archdale (12), Alex Butt (6), Jack Scoles and Joe Piddington (4 points each).

Congratulations to Centurions, the better team on the night. Our team is still learning, and this was a good experience. Thanks to all boys for their efforts and dedication for the winter season; we now look forward to the inter-schools competition in Term 4.

R Stayner (Coach)

## From the Head of Middle School

With the term drawing to a conclusion, we wish to thank the parents for their ongoing support of our Middle School. We congratulate the boys for being such fine representatives in a variety of sporting and cultural activities. In particular, we once again congratulate them for their fine performances and fantastic artwork that was displayed at this year's Creative Expression Evening.

Term 4 will be very busy and demanding and I encourage them to apply themselves to their studies in preparation for their final exams. We look forward to your continuing involvement in your son's education. We wish you all a safe and happy holiday and look forward to our students returning with renewed energy to begin the final term.

## Year 6 Prepare for Science Challenge

Mark your calendar for the annual Year 6 Mission Possible Science Extravaganza which will be held on Friday 20 October (which is the first Friday back of Term 4). We would appreciate as many parents as possible to attend so please return your reply slip to your son's classroom teacher by Friday. If you require any further information please go to the Mission Possible website at [www.tasarm.com](http://www.tasarm.com) or contact Mr Gordon McLennan on 6776 5857.

## TAS Prepares for Mosman Prep Visit

We are continuing preparations for the annual Year 6 visit of Mosman Church of England Preparatory School. Mosman Prep students will be arriving on the Monday of Week 7, Term 4 and we would appreciate your support in reciprocating billeting the child your son stayed with whilst on the TAS Sydney trip. If you are able to accommodate more than one billet please let Mr Jason Lincoln (6776 5881) know. Your support of this annual exchange visit is greatly appreciated.

## Junior Round Square

On Sunday 24 September, six courageous and valiant Middle School students consisting of Mitch Maguire, Sam Strang, Anthony Pitt, Henry Noakes, Peter Lynn and myself accompanied by Ms Boydell and Mr Dempster will be joining a large delegation of students at this year's Junior Round Square Conference hosted by Westminster School in Adelaide. The journey and adventure ahead is unknown but our team will publish a full-length article describing our adventures at the beginning of next term.

Archie Denning, Year 8

## Year 12 Valedictory

The last day of this term, Friday 29 September, is the Year 12 Valedictory Day. As in past years all of our Middle School boys will be lining the drive for the procession of the Year 12's. Please ensure all boys we

ar their formal uniform and have their Akubras.

## Farewell

Lat Friday our Year 6 student teacher, Mr Jamie Brauer finished his six week prac. We would like to thank him for the commitment he demonstrated in his teaching and for his involvement in a range of Middle School activities. We

# Junior School

## Looking Ahead

Wednesday 27th September

No Assembly today

Junior School Art Show in Big School @ 5.45pm

"Billabong Prank" Concert in the Hall @6.30pm

Friday 29th September

Last day of Term 3 – School ends at 3.30pm and After School Care finishes at 5.30pm

TAS Year 12 Valedictory Service – Years 3–5 to wear formals

Monday 16th October

Staff Day & boarders return

Tuesday 17th October

First day of Term 4

Transition attend Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of this week only

## From the Head of Junior School

It is amazing how quickly another term disappears.

The staff and children have been very busy with the many activities that provide an extra dimension to their education here at TAS and of course another memorable visit from Tezukayama.

The enthusiastic involvement of parents, staff (from many different areas within TAS) and the children in the lead up to this week's "Billabong Prank" performance is a credit to our school and a fine reflection of the superb organisation skills of Geraldine Roberts. We thank Mrs Roberts for her creativity and enthusiasm, for giving so much time as an inspiration to us all. Our community can take great pride in all working together to bring this production to the stage.

By now all families will have received information about their child's end of year excursion and this is an activity that everyone looks forward to as a fitting finish to the school year. Kindergarten will be enjoying an overnight camp at the school, Year 1 and 2 are off to Bonny Hills, Year 3 and 4 go to Lake Keepit and Year 5 enjoy the challenges of Narrabeen.

We thank you again for the support you have provided your child and our staff, as working together provides the best outcome for all.

The staff and I wish all families a wonderful holiday filled with family fun and relaxing activities. We look forward to welcoming all students and families back on 17 October.

Lou Forsythe

## Happy Birthday Wishes

We wish a very Happy Birthday to the following students who celebrate their birthdays this week:

Alexander Chambers, Liam Kennedy, Jake Beattie, Kathleen McPhie and Will Waterson.

We would also like to wish a Happy Birthday to the following students who will celebrate their birthday during the holidays:

Madison Taylor, Will Monie, Harry Mackenzie, Dane Townsend, Tim Pears and Sebastian Scott



## Junior School Concert & Art Show

This evening's show, "The Billabong Prank", promises to be another great performance after fine tuning things during yesterday's full dress rehearsal and we are looking forward to seeing you there.

From 5.45pm this evening, prior to the performance, each child in the Junior School will have an item of artwork that they have created, on display for everyone to view. The children have excelled in all aspects of art this year and all artwork is well worth viewing. During this time (from 5.45pm to 6.30pm) refreshments and nibbles will be provided and it is an excellent opportunity to socialise. Framed art works may be purchased for \$55 that covers the cost of replacing the frame for the Junior School collection. No art work is to be removed from the display that evening, but should you wish to purchase your child's framed artwork, please see Mrs Ranck or Mrs Forsythe for collection the following day.

Please ensure all children are at their classrooms at 5.30pm sharp for costumes and make up. Could parents ensure their children have a foundation base on their faces when they arrive at school in preparation for the concert, please? The performance will then commence at 6.30pm and will conclude at approximately 8.00pm. Children can be collected from their classrooms after the performance.

## Speech and Drama

Last week, three of our Junior School students were presented with their Speech and Drama certificates from their recent exams. We congratulate Liam Kennedy in Year 3 who passed with a credit, Sophia Thatcher in Year 3 who passed with honours and Isaiah Dillon in Year 4 who passed with distinction.

## Year 12 Valedictory Day

This Friday 29 September is the Year 12 Valedictory Day. This is a very important day for all Year 12 students as it marks their final day as the leaders in our School, and is equally special for the Year 11 students as it marks the beginning of their new leadership role. Part of this day includes students lining each side of the drive from the Chapel to the Hall as a sign of respect to the Year 12 students and the contributions they have made to the School for up to the past 13 years.

Years 3–5 will join with all students from Years 6 to 11 to line the driveway for the Valedictory procession. Could all Year 4 and 5 students please wear their formal uniforms on this day.

### **Chapel Street Car Park**

Parents will notice the steady progress being made to the extension of the Chapel Street car park over recent weeks. It is expected that all of the carpark works, east of the creek, will be completed and ready for use by the beginning of Term 4. In the meantime, however, please continue to enter via the Croft gates and leave via Brown Street, being especially aware of students moving to and from Middle School.

The new Chapel Street car park incorporates additional parking spaces, improved traffic flow, and importantly a turning circle, south-east of the Swimming Centre (which will facilitate pick-up and drop-off of students). This turning circle will have an apron around the outside to allow cars to partly pull off the road surface to allow other cars to pass. During peak traffic times, it will still be preferable for you to park your vehicle and escort your child to and from the carpark, away from the busy traffic flow.

Once the Chapel Street carpark is operating smoothly, it is then planned to alter the traffic arrangements at the front of the School. This will provide additional parking adjacent to Big School and also facilitate the pick-up and drop off of students from there, providing an alternative to using the congested Brown Street gates area.

The final change to traffic arrangements will then be to control access to the Brown Street parking area to authorised staff and service vehicles only.

Thank you for your continued patience whilst our improved traffic arrangements are put into effect.

### **Breast Cancer Awareness Fundraiser**

Thank you to the TAS community for the support you all gave to the Breast Cancer awareness morning tea held last Wednesday 20 September in making it a huge success. We had between 80–100 people at the morning tea enjoying the beautiful spring weather and the chance to catch up with friends. Between the raffles, donations, coffee sales, contributions from the sale of children's clothing from Kidamini and Sarah Atkinson's jewellery sales we raised \$4,300.45. Whilst my friend, Patrick, at Breast Cancer Australia understands there are many worthy causes to contribute to he was very appreciative of everyone's contribution for this cause. In addition to raising the funds the atmosphere was terrific and everyone had a great morning. Many thanks. Jennie Henzell

### **Thank you to Play Helpers**

The Junior School staff and children would like to thank all the parents and back stage helpers who ensured our performances went so well. We invite all who assisted with the play to a "Thank You" get together on Thursday 28 September at 11am in the Junior School after school care room.

### **Fete Reminder**

The RazzamaTAS fete is not far away, so during the holidays while you are all spring cleaning please remember the fete. Empty jars for Year 5, second hand clothing for Year 1, goods for white elephant, books, plants, anything really that you think would sell at a stall. Also don't forget a bit of relaxation to return to school refreshed and ready to get the Junior School stalls up and going. This year's stalls are as follows:

Transition – Lucky Dip

Kindergarten – Kids Corner

Year 1 – Recycled Children's Clothing

Year 2 – Tombola (pm)

Year 3 – Mobile Phone Toss

Year 4 – Pies and Sausage Rolls

Year 5 – Tombola (am) and Showbags

Your liaison parents will be sending out more information on your year level stall soon.

Happy holidays Cathie Sutherland

Liaison Parent Co-ordinator



### **What Are You Doing These Summer Holidays?**

**Join the fun at the  
Asthma Children's Camp  
6–12 January 2007**

**Department of Sport and Recreation  
Milson Island, Hawkesbury River**

- learn to enjoy life with asthma in a fun safe and caring environment
- abseil, bike ride, canoe, fence, fish, orienteer, swim and loads more!

If you are between 8 and 12 years old, have asthma and think this sounds cool, ask your mum, dad, or guardian to contact us today.

**Hurray applications close  
31 October, 2006**

Note: financial assistance is available for approved applicants

**Download a Registration Form from  
the website, or call  
Asthma Information Line  
1800 645 130**

## Lost Property

Will Monie, Year 4, has lost his TAS hat. Could all hats please be checked to see if you've picked up Will's by mistake.

## Art Club

During Term 4 Art Club will be held on Tuesday afternoons from 3.45pm to 4.45pm in the bottom senior art room with Mr Fulloon.

## Uniform for Term 4

For the first two weeks of Term 4, children may either wear their summer or winter uniform depending on the weather. From the start of week 3 (30th October), all children will be asked to wear their summer uniform.

# Junior School Sport

## Summer Sports

Please note that Sport will commence on the second day back of Term 4 (Wednesday 18 October) for all children who are doing summer sport.

Please see the attached form or go to the TAS website /Current Happening/TAS Talks. The form states teams, coaches, training venues, training and playing days. Please note that the head coach is highlighted in bold so any questions should be directed to them.

The Year 3 children are only required to do training on Wednesday's however are encouraged to attend Monday trainings as well.

## Winter Sport Trophies

The Junior School Staff and coaches would like to thank Mr Dick Hodgson, TAS Sportsmaster, for his kindness in providing all children who participated in a winter sport, with a wonderful trophy. This was very generous of him and the children thoroughly enjoyed getting them. The looks on the younger children's faces, in particular, as they got their trophy was priceless. For many, it was their very first trophy! I'm sure they will take pride of place on many windowsills or bookcases. Well done children and thank you to Mr Hodgson again.

## Congratulations

We congratulate Cameron Ranck and Sam Hutton on their selection in the Under 12 Armidale Rep Cricket team. Well done boys!!

## Term 4

A reminder that we will have the PSSA Orienteering for Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 in Week 3 and our wonderful Triathlon for all children in Term 4 also. A great way to finish our sporting commitments.

## Little Athletics

Little Athletics season is beginning again. It is open to any child who is over 4 years of age and under 15 by 30 September, 2006.

Little Athletics is run in a 3 week cycle enabling the athletes to experience each type of event every 3 weeks. The competition is a point score one where the athletes are competing against themselves and striving to improve each week. At the end of the season there are presentations to those athletes who have achieved this. It is not necessarily the best athletes who achieve this, it is more likely to be the consistent and persistent athletes. There are competitions throughout the season for those athletes wishing to compete against others, where the result does count. Little Athletics encourages all athletes to participate no matter what their ability is.

Registration will be held at Harris Park between 4pm and 5.30pm on Thursday 21st and 28th September. If you are new to Little Athletics please bring along Proof of Age in the form of a birth certificate, passport or blue book for identification purposes. If you are a returning athlete can you please note your registration number from last year. There will be plenty of uniforms on sale. Little Athletics competition afternoons will begin on Thursday 19 October at Harris Park with warm up at 4.45pm. Have a look at the Little Athletics website [www.armidale.info/alaa](http://www.armidale.info/alaa). If you have any queries, please contact Sue Gregory on 6772 6157 or email her on [alaa@armidale.info](mailto:alaa@armidale.info)

## Soccer Reports

### Armidale Under 10A Soccer Competition Champions 10 Rams – Mr Hetherington, Mr Campbell, Mr Marquardt

"We did it!! Congratulations to TAS Rams who won the Grand Final 2-1 against South Stallions in an exciting and nail-biting match. The Rams played their best football of the year with everyone performing to their utmost ability. Despite taking control early we went behind after 10 minutes to a lucky goal from the Stallions which bounced high over goalkeeper Phil McBride's head. The Rams quickly overcame this setback and continued to play the better football through the first half.

But it was the second half when the team really began to show their mettle – and did they shine! Ben Laurie, Michael O'Sullivan, Sam Johnston, Matthew Haydon and Patrick Marquardt were fantastic in defence and thwarted numerous attacking moves from the opposition. Phil McBride was solid in defence as we have come to expect. Will Monie and Harry Lloyd maintained their attacking positions throughout and were a constant threat. The midfield of Patrick Hetherington, Jack Campbell, Cameron Norbury kept up the pressure and when a free kick was given half way through the half Patrick Hetherington scored with a stunning shot. Michael Moore stuck to his task of close marking the key player from the Stallions and deserves special mention for his courage and commitment. As the half progressed the Rams began to dominate the opposition. The team's dominance paid off with a second goal scored by Patrick Hetherington from a great chip from Jack Campbell.

From then on it was just a matter of time before the team achieved their deserved win.

Great support from all the parents and real determination from every player saw us through to a great victory which sealed an unforgettable season! Two tournament victories, minor premiers and winners of the grand final – who could ask for more?!”



The Winners – 10 Rams

#### **10 Eagles – Mr Nash**

Well done team, we lost the final game honourably with two goals to Uralla Lions to our one, but it was a great and evenly matched affair. I have in the past spoken of our forwards and our backs in reasonable detail, but today I want to make special mention of the centres who made such a difference to our team, because when they were in the right place, doing their job properly, they were the reason we did well. So this is a tribute to Jakob Slack-Smith, Jesse Arnott, Frazer Moore, Jake Beattie, and Marc Lindberg. All of you contributed so much to our success. When you supported the backs or the forwards, it was because of your efforts that we cleared the ball or scored. What great progress you achieved over the season, you are all champions. During this final we had the satisfaction of seeing a totally classical soccer goal scored when the centres passed to Jacob David who then took the ball wide up the wing, passed it to Jin Lim right in front of the goal who scored. The joy for the coach was not so much the goal as the way in which it was scored. Anyway the battle raged to and fro, there were a couple of good Uralla players, and both teams were so enthusiastic, Our two wings for the season, Josiah Seaman and John Dennis, both stayed in position and made great contributions. Harry Portas settled in as a dangerous forward, threatening the opposition’s goal several times, Tim Pears was courageous in his crunching tackles, Riley Baile was indefatigable sweeping the ball away from our goal, and Marc was doing much the same. At the conclusion of the game the coach had lost his voice, but was proud of his Eagles. My thanks to the wonderful support of Mrs Moore, and indeed husband Cameron, without whose help things would have been mightily different. My thanks also to the parents, whose assistance, support, and sporting contribution made the season a pleasure.

