

TAS TALKS # 1

Weekly Newsletter of The Armidale School



Term 3, Week 1 – Wednesday 21 July, 2010

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Welcome to New Families

As we return, hopefully refreshed from a good mid-year break, I offer a special welcome to those joining the TAS family this term. Two exchange students from South Africa and three new GAP students from the UK and Ireland have arrived and will be with us for the coming 12 months. Fourteen new students have started their TAS education this term coming from near and far, with 11 beginning boarding life for the first time and 7 of them arriving from overseas. I wish all of our new students well as they settle into their new school and home.

Holiday Activities

The past few weeks have been as full of school activity as any school holiday break that I can remember and reports are now flowing in of happy and successful ventures both at school and beyond. These have included the Forensic Science Camp and NIDA workshops at TAS, the family ski trip to Falls Creek and Northern NSW Interschools Championships at Thredbo, the 15s rugby tour to the Gold Coast and senior rugby development tour to New Zealand and the Round Square Conferences for Middle School in Singapore and Senior School at Southport. In addition, our shooting teams are in competition at the GPS Championship in Sydney as I write.

The reports of the excellent performance of our students in each of these special events have been many and varied and it is clear to me that their impact across the board has been exactly that which is hoped for; to provide opportunities for TAS boys to stretch themselves in activities and environments that are out of the ordinary for them. Whether this comes through sport, speaking at conferences or leadership of the Forensic Science camp, it is the growth through experience that is important.

Amongst the many achievements through these holiday activities, the success of our skiers, shooters and rugby players is worthy of special note. Under the coaching guidance of past TAS parent Joan MacDougall, the TAS Ski Team performed very well indeed in the Northern NSW competition and has now progressed to the NSW Championships to be held in August. At the same time, our senior shooters won the NSW Rifle Association All Schools Championship at Malabar last week, with Toby Crothers being named King of the Range. Additionally, Luke Burton, Rowan McGowan and Alex Jones were selected as shadow players for the 21-man squad for the NSW Schools U16 side.

Of course opportunities like these are only possible because TAS is fortunate to have so many staff who actively pursue them and are willing to spend their school holidays with our students. I know that every one of those staff is involved because they are passionate about their activities and their students, but I also know that it means being away from family and that sacrifice is greatly appreciated. Being able to provide so many wonderful opportunities to so many students would be the envy of most schools and we should not take that for granted.

TAS Ski team who now progress to the State Championships – from left: Patrick Marquardt, Jonathon Wheeler, Nic Boulus and Josh Boulus



Weekly Calendar– Wednesday 21 July - Tuesday 25 June

Wednesday 21 July

6.30pm GPS Shooting at Hornsby
Evening Prayer

Thursday 22 July

Friday 23 July

8.30am NSW School Vaccination Program
– Year 7 2nd Hep B –McConville Centre
4.30pm LBK/Boost Rugby Cup (13s–Opens)

Saturday 24 July

Sunday 25 July

8.00–10.00am Hawkesbury training on Dumaresq Dam
2:00pm TAS 2nd XV Rugby vs St Georges',
Argentina on Backfield
3:15pm TAS 1st XV Rugby vs St Georges',
Argentina on Backfield

Monday 26 July

NAIDOC Week
Year 11 IT/Year 12 Metals &
Engineering –work placement
4:15pm TAS 1st XI Football vs St Georges',
Argentina at Doody Park

Tuesday 27 July

NAIDOC Week
Year 11 IT/Year 12 Metals &
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Wednesday 28 July

NAIDOC Week
Year 11 IT/Year 12 Metals &
Engineering –work placement
6.30pm Evening prayer

Thursday 29 July

NAIDOC Week
Year 11 IT/Year 12 Metals &
Engineering –work placement
Transition 2011 Interviews

Friday 30 July

NAIDOC Week concludes
Year 11 IT/Year 12 Metals &
Engineering –work placement
Transition 2011 Interviews
NSW Boarding Expo – Narrabri
4.00pm LBK/Boost Rugby Cup (13s–Opens)
Semi Finals

Saturday 31 July

TAS 1st & 2nd XV Rugby vs Bryanston
School, UK on Backfield
NSW Boarding Expo – Narrabri

Sunday 1 August

8.00–10.00am Hawkesbury training on Dumaresq Dam

Monday 2 August

4.00pm Staff Meeting in McConville

Tuesday 3 August

Year 9 Assessment of Language
Competence
Years 3–5 ICAS English Competition

Wednesday 4 August

Year 10 Assessment of Language
Competence
6.30pm Choral Communion

Thursday 5 August

Year 11 Assessment of Language
Competence
Years 3–5 Maths Trust Competition

Friday 6 August

Activities Day No 5
JS Jeans for Genes Day
4.30pm LBK/Boost Rugby Cup (13s–Opens)
Finals
Regional Living Expo in Sydney

Saturday 7 August

Rugby vs Scots College at TAS – 16A,
16B, 15A, 14A, 14B, 13A
Regional Living Expo in Sydney

Sunday 8 August

8.00–10.00am Hawkesbury training on Dumaresq
Dam
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Monday 9 August

QRA Queen's Prize Shoot – Brisbane

Tuesday 10 August

7.00pm QRA Queen's Prize Shoot – Brisbane
HSC Drama students final practice in
Hoskins Centre

Wednesday 11 August

11.00am Opening Technology and Trade
Training Centre by Senator Doug
Cameron
QRA Queen's Prize Shoot – Brisbane
6.30pm Evening prayer
7.00pm P&F Meeting

Thursday 12 August

QRA Queen's Prize Shoot – Brisbane
Year 8 Parent/Teacher interviews

Richard Newton is on leave and so the Chaplain's section will be absent this week.

P&F Association - Presidents: Margie Roberts and David Trenerry



web: <http://www.as.edu.au/community/PandF/php> email: pandf@as.edu.au

We trust that you all received your invitation to the P&F Hot September Night Ball and are already planning your evening.

We need your help to make this a successful fundraiser, but also to make it an event where parents, friends and staff have fun socialising together.

Tables of 10 can be booked or you can purchase your tickets and we will organise a table for you. Tickets can be purchased through reception and we ask that you pay by Cash/Cheque. No tickets can be charged to accounts.

The band for the evening is Vanessa Lea and Road Train; a popular band of wonderful musicians who are looking forward to playing at TAS.

There will be canapés, dinner and desert and we ask that you bring your own drinks.

More information will be available over the coming weeks in TAS Talks.

With this newsletter is an invitation to the launch of the Sarah Heagney Memorial Scholarship Launch. This is a UNE event we hope many TAS families will support and is a wonderful opportunity to remember Sarah and her generous spirit.

The P&F meeting for this term will be held on the 11 August – 7.00pm Lower Maxwell Room.

HOT SEPTEMBER NIGHT - TAS P&F BALL
Saturday 4 September 2010 at 7.00pm
join us for music, dinner and dancing with Vanessa Lea and Road Train
Tickets \$65.00 per person (includes 3 course meal, byo

General Notices

Lost

Clarry Butcher lost his jumper and Rob Butcher lost his cap at the end of last term. Someone may have taken them home by mistake? Could you check yours and return any lost property to Reception. Many thanks.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Callum Dillon, who has received a merit prize in an Economics competition that is managed by the University of New South Wales, and sponsored by Price Waterhouse Coopers.

He has been invited to attend a presentation ceremony in Sydney on the 26th of July, where he will receive a monetary prize (and probably a nice certificate also). This is an excellent result, as this year's paper contained some very challenging questions.

David Toakley, HSIE Coordinator

Your Attention Please

Jonathan Paul, a Year 11 geography student needs your help. He is conducting a senior project on 'Waste Management' in Armidale and as part of this has created a survey. It would be greatly if you could please complete the online survey (URL / Link below) by the 9/8/10. The survey is very straight forward and should take no more than 2 minutes to complete. Thank you. <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/waste-management>

Year 10 Formal Meeting

A meeting to organise the forth coming Year 10 Formal (29 October) will be held in the Lower Maxwell Room at 1.15pm on Wednesday 28 July. All most welcome.



http://www.as.edu.au/current_happenings/activities/sport/current_sport.php

Rugby and Football visit by St Georges' College Quilmes, Buenos Aires, Argentina:

Details of the visit

Sunday 25 July:

12 noon St Georges' College arrives
12:15pm Lunch in TAS Dining Room for St Georges' players
2:00pm 2nd XV Rugby (Backfield)
3:15pm 1st XV Rugby (Backfield)
4:45pm After Match Function (TAS Dining Hall)
5:30pm Billets collected by host families from TAS Sports Centre.

Monday 26 July:

St Georges' boys visit Dangars' Falls (BBQ lunch provided by Robb College).
4:15pm 1st XI Football (Doody Park)
6:00pm Billets collected by host families from Doody Park

Tuesday 27 July:

St Georges' College departs for Coffs Harbour at 7:30am

Rugby

LBK Solicitors–Boost Juice Rugby Cup for Friday 23 July

A complete 'Information Sheet' is available on the Rugby page of the TAS website.

Teams: 1st XV, 2nd XV, 3rd XV, 16As, 16Bs, 15As, 15Bs, 14As, 14Bs 13As & 13Bs

Travel: All teams travel by Edwards coaches departing 4:10pm returning 10:50pm:

Cost: \$28 (day boys), \$26 (boarders) approx

Venues: Tamworth 'Magpies' (T): Pirates (P); Plain Street Ovals (PS1, PS2 & PS3). 'T', 'V1' & 'V2' ovals are at the corner of Marius & O'Connell Sts. 'P' is off Kent St which is off Goonoo Goonoo Rd. 'PS' fields are at the corner of Plain Street & Carter St

Game times:

Team	Time	Opponents	Venue
13Bs	7:15pm	Farrer	V2
13As	6:15pm	McCarthy	V2
14Bs	6:15pm	Oxley	V1
14As	7:15pm	Farrer	V1
15Bs	7:15pm	Quirindi	PS3
15As	6:15pm	McCarthy	PS3
16Bs	6:15pm	Farrer B	PS1
16As	7:15pm	Carinya	PS1
4th XV	no game		
3rd XV	6:15pm	Farrer Gold	T
2nd XV	6:15pm	Quirindi	P
1st XV	7:15pm	Tamworth	P

Length of games: 25 minutes each half

Dress: As per 'Rugby Dress Code'

What to take: Include the following:

rugby gear: TAS jersey, shorts, socks, boots, mouth guard, (shoulder pads, head gear)

TAS tracksuit, TAS polo shirt & joggers

personal water bottle

Dinner: All boys will be provided with \$10 to buy their dinner (at McDonalds/Subway/Oporto) after their games.

NCSA Athletics (North Coast Sports Association)

Date: Tuesday 17 August

Venue: Coffs Harbour International Stadium

Students involved: Primary and Secondary

Our Primary and Secondary Athletics Teams have been selected for this carnival. Information has been emailed to Yr 6 students and above, and is also available on the TAS website at: http://www.as.edu.au/current_happenings/activities/sport/athletics.php

Shooting

The Armidale School (TAS) rifle team won the annual NSW Rifle Association All Schools "Fiona Reynolds Memorial" Competition at ANZAC Rifle Range Malabar in Sydney on Saturday 17 July. With 14 teams, comprising of 5 shooters each from New England Girls School (NEGS), Sydney Grammar School, Shore, Sydney Boys High School and TAS, the TAS Gold team won the competition by 23 points from Shore, with Grammar and NEGS closely behind.

The competition was shot in clear breezy conditions that provided a challenge to the wind coaches. It was shot over 3 ranges, 300, 500 and 600m, with 10 shots to count at each, and a total of 150 points available to the individual shooter. The TAS Gold team was Mitch Maguire (Dungowan) – Captain, Jock Barnett (Delungra), Hamish Turnbull (Ebor), Luke Styles (Dungog) and Toby Crothers (Glen Innes).

King of the Range at the All Schools competition was also a TAS shooter, Toby Crothers with a total score of 147 with 11 centre bulls-eyes (possible 150), from Luke Styles another TAS shooter with 144-6. Toby shot superbly with scores of 49-2, 49-2 and 49-7 at each range respectively.

TAS also won the Prorak Trophy, a perpetual match between Sydney Boys High, NEGS and TAS.



Pictured is the winning TAS Gold Team (from L to R): Luke Styles, Hamish Turnbull, Wendy McGuigan (NSW Rifle Association), Mitch Maguire (Captain), Jock Barnett and Toby Crothers.

Late News: From the GPS Competition – the TAS team gained 3rd place this morning in the Rawson Cup and 3rd place in the NRA Shield.

Roller Hockey

Hamish and Monty Haron recently competed in the 2010 National Roller Hockey Championships held in Townsville. They competed in the Senior Mens Division representing Glen Innes, Northsports against teams from Queensland, Victoria and Western Australia to take out 3rd place overall.

(Monty was the youngest member of the Northsports Men's Team and the boys have to travel 400km each week to participate in training and games in Glen Innes.)

Well done boys.

Gold Coast Rugby Carnival

“Practice as if you are the worst, play as if you are the best” (John Wooden)

A squad of 21 boys, two coaches and an entourage of 70 supporters, travelled to the Gold Coast to discover that if you believe you can win then the unthinkable can happen. Out of 6 games, the team was resoundingly beaten in 3, yet had one convincing victory and then defeated Cranbrook, the eventual winners of the division.

The boys worked magnificently as a team with all 20 players getting equal time on the field over the 3 days and David Henderson was an inspiration in his new role as Trainer.

The Carnival hosted 50 teams from around Australia and New Zealand, providing a wonderful spectacle of rugby and feel of good will between teams. It was an invaluable experience for the boys both on and off the field and an opportunity to enjoy their rugby and the attractions of the Gold Coast. Thanks must go to Mr Jamie Moore for his commitment to the boys and his constant encouragement regardless of the result and to all the families for their support throughout the week.

Will Caldwell, Tour Manager



There has been an overwhelming response from students, parents and staff to enter this year's Classic. So much so that we have exhausted our supply of boats and cannot take any further entries unless you have your own boat.

I have 78 entries at present including 21 girls from PLC. As the entries have come in, I have allocated boats roughly based on size and experience. The initial boat allocations are on the website but may change due to the suitability of the boat and whether you attend training.

Details of the race, equipment, estimated costs and training days are all on the website. Thanks for your support and we'll see you at Dumaresq Dam on the first Sunday of the term.

Peter Hall

Middle School – Head of Middle School: Dennis Dempster



From the Head of Middle School

Welcome back to the beginning of the new term. We trust you've had a wonderful family holiday and the boys have returned full of renewed energy.

We also welcome two new students. Joining Mr Druce's homeroom is Chi Ho (Toddy) Leung and joining Ms Boydell's homeroom is Ben Broster.

This term we will be conducting a number of events including our annual Creative Expression evening to be held during Week 6. This will also be a very busy term academically and we encourage parents to contact their son's homeroom teacher if any concerns arise. The winter sports will finish at the end of this term and we remind parents to ensure the boys are at their scheduled training sessions and notify their coaches if they are unable to attend weekend matches. We look forward to another rewarding term.

Middle School Social

PLC will be hosting a Year 6 to 8 social on Saturday, 21st August from 7.00pm to 9.00pm. Please be reminded that it is a School expectation that the boys will travel to PLC and return to TAS by bus.

Creative Expression Evening

On Friday, 27 August, you are invited to an evening of Middle School music, drama and art. This is our annual Creative Expression Evening and we look forward to a large turn-out so please mark your calendar for this event.

Parent Information Night for Year 8

We also look forward to a large turn out from Year 8 parents on Friday, 27th August for the Year 8 Parent Information Evening. This evening is an information night for the parents of this year's Year 8 students to help you help your sons make decisions on their elective choices for Year 9 and learn more about the Senior School programme. The intention is to explain how choices at this point may affect subject choices further along in their schooling, and how the subject "lines" work.

Year 8 Parent Teacher Interviews

Year 8 Parent Teacher Interviews will take place on Thursday, 12 August and Friday, 13 August from 2.00pm to 5.30pm. The interviews will be held in the Memorial Hall. Please return the interview request form by this Friday to Reception or Middle School. The form may be faxed to 02 6776 5830. Confirmation of interview times will be sent out during Week 2.

NAIDOC Celebrations

Term 3 week 2 has been set aside as a time for our whole school community to come together and celebrate Australian indigenous culture. We are planning to have a range of activities focusing on aspects of Aboriginal culture throughout the week. It is going to be a great week of celebration.

Middle School Spelling Bee Champions

The winners from our 3rd annual Spelling Bee Championship held last term. Mr Dempster presenting awards to Jake Beattie Year 7, Riley Baile Grand Winner Year 8, and Jacob Hunt Year 6.

Congratulations to all the boys who participated on the day.



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Madame Kathryn Tamminga

Junior School – Head of Junior School: Lou Forsythe



Looking Ahead

Tuesday 20 July

Classes Resume

Transition class commences Term 3

Transition to attend Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday this week

Sport training commences for Term 3

Wednesday 21 July

St Jude's Assembly – Anthea Chalmers

Monday 26 July

Drama Club recommences

Tuesday 27 July

Open classroom 10.15am

Wednesday 28 July

Dance Club recommences

Year 4 Assembly

Tuesday 3 August

ICAS English Competition for Yrs 3,4 and 5

Wednesday 4 August

Kindergarten Assembly

Thursday 5 August

Maths Trust Competition Years 3 – 5

Friday 6 August

Activities Day

Jeans for Genes Day

The Term Ahead

We hope everyone had a wonderfully relaxing and enjoyable holiday. Three weeks allows families' precious time together and many took advantage of this longer break to take longer trips away. We look forward to hearing about your holiday travels and the highlights for the children.

There are lots of unhealthy bugs around the Armidale community at the moment so we are encouraging the children to adopt good hygiene habits to help them ward off any impending illness. If your child is showing any symptoms of colds, flu or other contagious ailments, the School community would appreciate them being kept at home where they can receive all the tender loving care that they will require, and reduce the chances of passing it on to others.

Attached to this newsletter is a calendar of events in the Junior School for this term. Any alterations to this will be notified to you through this newsletter.

We hope everyone involved with the Junior School has a most enjoyable and productive term.



Happy Birthday Wishes

We wish a very Happy Birthday to the following children who celebrate their birthdays this week: Harrison Gall, Ziggy Harris, Harrison Ditchfield, Alexander Smith, Charlotte Slack-Smith and Harry Sinclair.

Awards

Congratulations to the following children who received their Bronze Award at the last assembly in Term 2: Alexander Smith, Nicolas Bohlsen, Harry Graham, Toby Niemeyer, Christopher Ramazani, Harry Ashton-Nies, and Cooper Gerdes.

Congratulations to the following child who received their Silver Award at the last assembly in Term 2: Cooper Johnson.

Staff Long Service Leave

Mrs Christine Wright will be taking four week's Long Service Leave at the start of Term 3 and Mrs Anne Hine will be teaching Year 2W in her absence. Our best wishes go with Mrs Wright for her well-earned break.

We wish all families a happy and healthy break from school routine and look forward to welcoming everyone back in three week's time on Tuesday 20 July.

NAIDOC Week in the Junior School

Next week we will be participating in a range of classroom based activities to recognise NAIDOC Week. Classes will engage in a variety of learning tasks to enhance their understanding of the Aboriginal culture. Year 4's assembly next Wednesday will showcase work completed by some classes.

ICAS English Competition and Australian Maths Competition

On Tuesday 3 August Years 3, 4 and 5 will sit the ICAS English Competition and on Thursday 5 August they will sit the Australian Maths Competition. The exams will start promptly as soon as the school day begins. If you have any questions about these competitions please make sure you find time to speak with your child's classroom teacher.

Following are some tips that you and your children may find beneficial:

Hints and Tips for Participating in ICAS

Before the test: Ensure that you are well rested the night before – do something relaxing!

During the test:

Try to relax and enjoy yourself; too much tension may prevent you from thinking clearly.

Do not look at the time too often – that reduces your time doing the actual test.

For multiple choice questions:

Make sure you colour in the bubble next to the right question number.

Read each question carefully and choose the best answer from the options given.

If a question is taking a very long time, go on to the next question and go back to the one you missed at the end of the time but be sure to mark the page or circle the question number so you remember to go back to it. If you are not sure of the answer, cross out the options you know are wrong and then decide between what is left.

If you are doing the English paper, read the whole passage before you start answering the questions.

After the test:

At the end of the test time, check that you haven't left out any questions.

If you have done the Writing test, take care to read through your writing again after you have finished and edit your work for errors in expression, spelling and punctuation.

Remember, it's not the end of the world if you feel you didn't do well this time.

Information taken from the ICAS website.

Operation Christmas Child A Project Of Samaritan's Purse

A major fundraising project for the Junior School this term will be supporting Operation Christmas Child. This will involve a whole school approach to providing essentials for children less fortunate than those in the Junior School.

It will run over six weeks this term in Week 2. Each week will have a different "something" for the children to bring to school and place in a shoe box in the Year 4 classroom. By the end of the term these boxes will be full of things and ready to send off to a needy child somewhere in the world. Imagine the joy these children will experience on Christmas Morning as they open their box to find all sorts of goodies inside.

Week 1 Term 3 will require children to bring an empty shoe box to school—not too large please— just shoe size. (If you would like to wrap your lid in Christmas paper that would be wonderful— although not essential.)

Week 2 of Term 3 will require a "Something to Love" item. (These items need to be new— not pre-loved.) Ideas include small teddy bears, dolls, koalas and soft toys. Remember to keep the items small. Keep a close eye out in TAS Talk for what other items will be required each week over the next Term.

It may be a nice idea for children to give of themselves and do jobs to earn money in order to purchase these items.

Stay tuned for further updates!!!

Mrs Waters and Mrs Wright, Project coordinators

Drama and Art lessons

These will be held again in Term 3 with Mrs Patterson and Miss Hartley. The cost will be \$20 for 5 sessions with Mrs Patterson and \$45 for 5 sessions with Miss Hartley. If you do not wish for your child to attend these classes please let Mrs Forsythe know as soon as possible.

Club News

Dance Club starts again this week. Dance Club is held on Wednesday lunchtimes from 1.14pm to 1.55pm in the Hoskins Centre with Ms Colette Brazier. Dance Club is open to all children from Kinder to Year 5. If you wish to join Dance Club please come and get a letter from Ms Chappell for your parents to sign, which also outlines the cost.

Drama Club starts again this week. Drama Club is held on Monday's from 3.45pm to 4.45pm in the Hoskins Centre. The cost is \$5 per class.

After School Pottery Classes with Mr Hatch

These classes will resume on 1 August in the Lower Art room in the Hoskins Centre.

The cost is

Michael Paull

We informed you of Michael Paull's fantastic Championship riding at the Gilgai Show last term and we have just received a photo of Michael with his sash and trophy.

Again, congratulations Michael, well done.



2011 Transition Interviews Next Week

A last call for interested families, to contact the Junior School as interviews were being held next week.

2010 Transition Class to go to Four Days per Week in Term 4

This year Transition students will be adding a day in Term 4 to make their week a 4 day week.

Having the fourth day will allow the students to get more of a feel for the extra days in the following years.

Naming Belongings

We remind our parents to ensure that ALL their children's clothing and belongings are clearly labelled. If clothing is second hand please ensure the previous owners name is taken off or made illegible and a new label with your child's name is placed on the item. At the end of term we were amazed at the amount of lost property in the box in the basement, all unnamed, and the amount of money it would cost to replace.

Book Club

Please ensure all orders are placed in a sealed envelope with the completed order form together with a cheque. NO CASH. Please ensure you write your child's name on the top of each order form and the envelope. Orders are to be placed in the red letter box on the floor just inside the Junior School office. For those wishing to pay by credit card please pay online or on the phone BEFORE you hand in the book order. They will give you a receipt number, which is what you will write in the credit card box NOT your credit card details.

MS Readathon

MS Readathon organisers are encouraging children to read as much as possible over any 30 day period during the months of June, July or August. There is no set reading list, with participants encouraged to read anything at their own level. There is still time to register for this year's MS Readathon.

For students participating in the Premier's Reading Challenge, this is a great opportunity to put their efforts towards a good cause, that is to help support people with Multiple Sclerosis (MS), without having to do any extra reading. The books at the appropriate level that students read for the Challenge can count towards MS Readathon also.

Although everyone has till end of August to finish the MS Readathon, they must register by 1 August to receive all the materials they need and complete their reading on time.

To register, simply go to www.msreadathon.org.au or call 1300 677323 for a registration form.

Deadline for completing the MS Readathon is 31 August.

Deadline for the Premier's Reading Challenge is 1 September 2010, though we advise students to try to complete their on-line entries by 25 August to enable busy coordinators to validate them in time.

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Lost Property

A pair of gray school slacks with Hugh Fletcher's name in the pocket are missing from last term. The slacks are size 8. If you know the whereabouts of these slacks please return to the Junior School office.

Junior School Sport - Kirsty Brunsdon

NCSA and PSSA Athletics

The following children have been chosen to compete at PSSA (at Armidale High School) and/or NCSA (at Coffs Harbour) athletic carnivals based on the results from Junior and Middle School carnivals.

PSSA competition is on Friday 13 August and NCSA is on Tuesday 17 August.

Please note some children in field events will not be eligible to compete at PSSA due to their new qualifying restrictions on events. (These children have (NCSA only) beside that event) A bus will depart TAS for PSSA at 8:30am and return by 3:20pm. Students are allowed to be dropped at, or picked up from, PSSA but must report to Mrs Brunsdon in doing so. Permission notes and information sheets will be sent home in the first week of Term 3. The information about NCSA is also on the TAS website under Sport.

Please return the forms as soon as possible to Mrs Brunsdon so that if you are unable to attend I can allocate other competitors to the events.

The Year 6 boys need to let me know by email please if they will be attending PSSA and NCSA.

Girls

Charlotte Caldwell – 8 yrs 100m, junior relay

Anna Jarvis – 8 yrs 100m

Lucy Fenwicke – 9 yrs 100m, Junior 200m, 800m, Long Jump (NCSA only), Shotput (NCSA only), High Jump (NCSA only), Relay

Daisy Meehan – 9 yrs 100m, Junior 800m, High Jump (NCSA only), Discus (NCSA only), Relay

Claudia Meehan – 10 yrs 100m, Junior 200m, Shotput, Discus (NCSA Only), Relay

Kathleen McPhie – 10 yrs 100m

Charlotte Slack-Smith – Junior Long Jump

Emily Sole – 11 yrs 100m, 200m, Long Jump, Shotput (NCSA only), High Jump (NCSA only), Senior relay

Phoebe Slack-Smith – 11 yrs 100m, 200m, 800m, Long Jump, Senior relay

Sarah Evans – 11 yrs 800m, High Jump (NCSA only), Senior relay

Olivia Fenwicke – 11 yrs Shotput, Discus (NCSA only), Senior relay

Tildy Waterson – 11 yrs Discus (NCSA only)

Boys

Joe Gordon – 8 yrs 100m

Liam Matherson – 8 yrs 100m

Jack Waters – 9 yrs 100m, Junior 200m, 800m, Long Jump, Discus (NCSA only), Relay

Michael Paull – 9 yrs 100m, Junior High Jump, Relay

Fred Jeitani – 10 yrs 100m, Junior 200m, 800m, Discus (NCSA only), Relay

Jack Cregan – 10 yrs 100m, Junior Long Jump, Shotput (NCSA only), Relay

Thomas Faint – Junior Shotput (NCSA only)

Nicholas Moar – Junior High Jump

Harry Mackenzie – 11 yrs 100m, 800m, High Jump (NCSA only), Discus (NCSA only)

Robert Hann – 11 yrs 100m, 200m, 800m, Long Jump

Sebastian Scott – 11 yrs 200m, Long Jump, High Jump

Harry Gall – 11 yrs Shotput, Discus (NCSA only)

Joshua Beattie – 11 yrs Shotput (NCSA only)

Finn O'Keefe – 12 yrs 100m, Senior relay

Oliver White – 12 yrs 100m, Long Jump, High Jump (NCSA only), Discus (NCSA only), Relay

Thomas Peters – Senior 200m,

Huw Knox – Senior 200m, 800m, Long Jump, Shotput, High Jump, Relay

Michael Harris – Senior 800m,

Will Brissett – Senior Shotput, Discus

Alec Munro – Senior Relay

Please email me if there are any concerns with any of this information.

Mrs Kirsty Brunsdon, JS Sports Co-ordinator

TAS Tanks–David Fenwicke

The Tanks last game of the term before school holidays was a rematch against the South Armidale Skeetas. Another close contest ensued with great enthusiasm from Aiden Rogers – Ellis, Mathew Wark and Lillie Graham. Our defence was effective with Lucy Ball, Damian Tyers and Jacob Smith thwarting most attacks and Harry Ackling was back to his best in goal. Unfortunately for the Tanks, the most memorable feature of the game was a terrific save from the opposing goalie who deflected a powerful shot at goal by Jack Ackling over the crossbar, after good lead up work by Isabella Kennedy who was our player of the match.

U10 TAS Tornadoes v Uralla Mariners (26/06/2010)–Keith Brown

On a cold, wet morning in Uralla the boys arrived early and had 30 minutes of standing around in the rain before the opposition came and game finally started. Not surprisingly they got away to a sluggish start. After just 10 minutes they found themselves 2 goals down and it was looking like their first loss of the season.

However they did eventually settle down and began to take the game to their opponents. The defence tightened up with James Hutchinson playing the important role of central defender. They also began to attack more but found the Uralla defence equally strong. A few minutes before halftime, though, the boys had the break they were needing and Oscar McBean put away a fine goal to make the score 1–2.

In the second half the boys had the advantage of the slope and had plenty of attacking opportunities but Uralla's strong defence meant the Tornadoes managed few actual shots. Finally their luck turned and with only a few minutes of the game left the boys got the ball near to goal. In a muddy goalmouth scuffle Oscar got his foot to the ball and levelled the scores.

It looked like a draw would be a fair result but in the dying seconds of the game TAS earned a corner. Fred Jeitani took the kick and with a banana-bender of a shot curled the ball into the net directly from the corner spot to give the Tornadoes a remarkable 3–2 win right on the final whistle. Top marks to all the boys for a determined team effort. Next game we go to Guyra for another tough workout.

Goal scorers: Oscar 2 goals (6 goals total), Fred 1 goal (4 goals total), Toby (5 goals total), Dan (3 goals total), Sam J (1 goal total), Chris (1 goal total), Nick (1 goal total), Sam W (1 goal total)

To date 5 games: 4 wins, 1 draw with 22 goals scored and 10 conceded

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ARMIDILLOS JOIN WITH TAS FOR LA TRAVIATA

In a new association, the Armidillos Theatre Company, who regularly presents Oz Opera in Armidale, is bringing their current production of Verdi's La traviata to the city in conjunction with The Armidale School's production team.

Organised by TAS Business Manager Pat Bradley, the team will bump tonnes of equipment in and out for the set, and provide ushers for the performance at Lazenby Hall on August 17 at 8.00pm.

Chris Ross-Smith, director of Armidillos, said he was delighted to be working with the TAS team who has worked with school and outside productions at the Hoskins Centre theatre for the past 18 months.

'Together we will bring other professional shows to Armidale, especially for presentation at the Hoskins Centre at TAS, he said.

La Traviata is one of the world's most popular operas and this new production by Rachel McDonald brings Verdi's music to life in a vibrant performance sung in English with a chamber orchestra.

'Bookings are now open at Readers Companion in the Mall. As we were booked out for Madam Butterfly in 2008 and people were disappointed, I would advise patrons to book now, to make sure of a seat', said Chris Ross-Smith.

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