

## Leadership Convention an eye opener



Four of our Year 10 students who attended last week's Global Leadership Convention.

Last Thursday, June 5, 200 upper primary and high school students participated in the World Vision Global Leadership Convention held at the Dream Centre in Carrara.

From 13 May to 20 June 2008, World Vision are holding a series of Global Leadership Conventions (GLCs) around Australia. The GLCs are for student leaders who have the vision and values to change the world for good! World Vision runs separate GLCs for upper primary and upper secondary students in every state capital and some regional centres.

During the day the students participated in a simulated matchbox making factory much like those that you find in third world countries. All the students, no matter what their age, sat down and were 'child labourers' in a factory. Each time the 'workers' got close to reaching their matchbox quota, their 'bosses' increased the amount required. "The matchboxes were made out of paper and it was a difficult and fiddly job". Mullum-

bimby High School student Justin Fenwick explained.

After 2 hours of matchbox making, and a quick recess, the senior students were taken aside and given insight into child slave labour for children as young as five years old in India.

The Youth Ambassador for Queensland spoke to the students about her trip to India and all the eye opening things she had witnessed.

The World Vision GLCs aim to empower students with the skills they need to transform words into action - to become the kind of leaders and globally-minded citizens we need now more than ever.

This year, World Vision's GLC's are delving deeper than ever before into issues of global poverty, by inviting student leaders to immerse themselves in the world and work of child labourers.

Through simulation experience students will:

## Diary dates

### Week 8

**Tue 17/6:** Yr 12  
Parent/Teacher  
Night—7pm

**Wed 18/6:** **School Athletics  
Carnival**

First Aid Course  
Years 11 & 12

### Week 9

**Mon 23/6** Year 8 Regional  
Gym, Lismore

P&C meeting

North Coast  
Regional Music  
Camp

**Tue 24/6** North Coast  
Regional Music  
Camp

**Wed 25/6** North Coast  
Regional Music  
Camp

**Thu 26/6** MNC Bowls  
North Coast  
Regional Music  
Camp

**Fri 27/6** Zone Athletics  
Herald Young  
Writer of the Year  
Award entries due

- Intimately experience what a child labourer might feel and think.

- Learn about the economic realities that drive child labour.

- Understand the ways in which we are all connected to child labour via the global consumer market.

Through learning, listening and discussing issues students will:

- Gain skills, tools and confidence to be leaders in creating change

- Make decisions as consumers that can bring about change

And be inspired to make a difference.

# Gordon Bennett exhibition inspires



**Gordon Bennett. Born Australia, 1955.**  
**Self portrait . Ancestor figures. 1992.**  
**Chest of drawers, watercolour, photocopies, lead, rocks, masking tape.**

## Emily Olsen

Two weeks ago, Year 12 Drama saw a theatrical production in Brisbane. I was lucky enough to encounter yet more artistic inspiration, an art exhibition.

Displayed in the airy GoMA, the Gordon Bennett exhibition was striking, haunting and politically forward.

Reflecting his experience as an Aboriginal in contemporary society, he paints in a dominantly European style, whilst calling attention to the injustices that his people have faced.

A combination of installations and paintings, his artworks force the audience to experience the world from his point of view.

One of the most memorable images of this excursion was an installation that drew your eye from the ground, with large, smooth rocks placed around a dressing table, the drawers labelled with words such as "self" and "culture", coloured light seeping out of them as my eyes reached the mirror. A moment of pure shock as I, myself, became a part of the artwork. It was the most eerie experience I have ever encountered in an art gallery.

I was able to use this first hand experience in my recent Visual Arts

historical/critical work, providing an immediate reaction, that cannot be reproduced by an image on a screen.

It was a lasting and worthwhile experience.



## Canteen Roster

### Mon 16/6:

Anna Benson  
 Mandy Hallinan  
 Alison Hunt

### Tue 17/6:

Jenelle Stanford  
 Gail Campbell

### Wed 18/6

Gai—Moana Perrot  
 Isobel Furber-Yarwood  
 Yani Wakefield

### Thu 19/6

Rosa Graham  
 Janine Kent  
 Sue Stenning  
 Marina Brun-Smits

### Fri 20/6

Michelle Gillespie

If you receive Income Support through Centrelink, speak to Kris about the Work for the Dole program. See article this newsletter.

*Kris*

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**The School For Excellence (TSFX) is a private educational institution that provides educational services to Year 11 and 12 students.**

In the weeks leading up the trial examinations, we are running a series of intense exam strategy and preparation lectures titled "Mastering the Exams".

These unique lectures are designed to provide students with the best opportunities to maximise examination scores. During the course of this program, students will learn vital skills that will help optimise performance in the examinations, as well as strategies that will maximise learning and cut down on study time! In addition, students will be

- Structure examination study timetables.
- Employ the most effective learning techniques.
- Maximise knowledge retention.
- Set out answers so as to optimise examination scores.
- Use examination trends, assessment and marking schemes as well as student responses to past examination questions to your advantage.
- Capitalise on consequential marks.
- Combat "panic attacks" and "mind blanks".

**Valued at \$150 – this program is free of charge to students!**

Students may secure their booking by calling our office on 1300 364 173 or by registering online at [www.tsfx.com.au](http://www.tsfx.com.au).

Although this lecture is FREE of charge, we do ask that students participating in this program make a gold coin donation to OXFAM Australia. Representatives of OXFAM will be in attendance on the day.

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# Mullumbimby High rugby league round up

Congratulations to Dane Chisolm (NSW Open School Boys) and Matt Mulcahy (NSW 15's) who are soon to travel interstate with their respective squads.

Two guys in state teams from Newcastle to the border and both from Mullumbimby High School— Well done and good luck!

In the Country Cup played on June 10th at the Giants ground over 13's and 15's defeated both South-

ern Cross and Alstonville convincingly to win this cluster.

The 15's responded to the coaching of Jacob Miller and Sam Martin producing a top team effort with tries to Mulcahy, Monty, Jacob, Hoffy, Tom, Tim, Adam and Beau.

The ever keen 13's, coached by Mr Williams, represented themselves with enthusiasm and commitment to defeat Southern

Cross 52-6 and register a big win over Alstonville.

All the boys are aware that they will need to step up next Tuesday as we play the other cluster winner at St John's College, Lismore. Our opposition will include Woodlawn, Kingscliff and Grafton with the winners on the day advancing to Coffs Harbour. **GO MULLUM!**

*Ron Land*



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**CRAFT EXPO**

**Mullumbimby Public School**

Various Stalls  
Raffles  
Refreshments  
Everything for Sale  
Lots of Craft Demonstrations

*A good time for all the family.*

**\$4.00** Admission  
Saturday 28th June  
10.00 am - 4.00 pm

Margaret 6684 2956

**Eco tips for the home**

*Did you know?*

Ninety per cent of the energy that Australian households use comes from fossil fuels such as coal. This creates greenhouse gas pollution and causes global warming and climate change.

*How can you help?*

Turn down the heat when you're sleeping or away from home, put on more clothing before adjusting a thermostat and add extra insulation to walls or ceilings Find out more at [www.itsalivingthing.net.au](http://www.itsalivingthing.net.au)

**Good News!**

**Grandparents** who are primary carers of their school age grand children are eligible for a

**Back-To-School Voucher**

valued at **\$50.00** for each student.

*Please contact the school if you have this responsibility so that we can pass the voucher on to you.*

**Variety Night**  
Performances by Mullumbimby High students and all of our local partner primary schools.  
A limited number of tickets are available at \$8.00 each.

**Mullumbimby High Assembly Hall  
Thursday 26th June**

**Parents!**

If you are receiving **Income Support** through Centrelink, you may be entitled to extra payments, have clothing supplied and receive funding for training by participating in the **Work for the Dole** program through the **Mullumbimby High School Canteen.**

Please contact Patrick or Barry on **TURSA on 6681 1755** to discuss your eligibility then phone Kris Rummery, Canteen Supervisor, on 6684 2600 to be put on the roster.