



# Weekly Bulletin

Mullumbimby High School

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## THIS WEEK AT MULLUMBIMBY HIGH SCHOOL

### Deputy Principal's message

Congratulations to the **Rock Eisteddfod** dance troupe led by Kim Mitchell and choreographer Cassie Warman for their magnificent second place in the RAW division of the Queensland Grand Finals held recently. Now in its fourth year, the Rock Eisteddfod challenge has become a popular sport elective and has given hundreds of students the chance to dance. This year, 11 students gained a Certificate in Make Up and Design as a creative offshoot of the program. Kim has volunteered to run this program and we are indebted to her for her drive and passion and to the teachers and parents who support it so strongly.

We held our **NAIDOC** assembly on Monday to recognise the achievements of our indigenous students and to acknowledge the importance of all indigenous Australians. *Harley Black* and *Taylor Browning* chaired the assembly which had ex-student *Ray Kyle* speaking. Ray spoke about his dance career and study since leaving school and a segment featuring him from the *Message Stick* television documentary series was screened. *Kahlia Hamilton* was presented with a scholarship award by Mr Graham and *Elea Navarro* sang a moving version of "My Island Home" accompanied by Kerry Collinson and supported by the vocal group. Thanks to Donna Pearson, our Human Studies Head Teacher for organising this special assembly.

At the assembly, another special guest, Neville Marks, an ex student from the 50 years reunion group, spoke about the launch of the **Mullumbimby High Ex-Students Association**. A number of ex-students began the day with a breakfast at Gil Lomath's home before joining us at the assembly. Neville spoke of their plans to support the school and issued an invitation for students and ex-students to join the association. The members wish to embark on a fund raising drive to provide state of the art facilities for the school. Ex student Ben Williams, who is now on the PE staff has agreed to liaise with the association and he can be contacted at the school. The formation of this group is a wonderful development and we wish the association every success!

Thank you to the parents and teachers who participated in last night's **Parent Teacher Evening**. We value the shared partnership with parents as we aim to support each student through their schooling. In many ways we are the support crew as students navigate the complexities of balancing their school experiences with the other dimensions of their lives. I've found the ABC series on Thursdays at 8pm "Whatever! The Science of Teens" fascinating and informative.

Richard Heazlewood-Ross

## Diary dates

### TERM 3

#### Monday 9/8

- Yr 12 HSC Trials begin

#### Thursday 13 /8

- Yr 11 Practical Hospitality Exams

#### Friday 14/8

- Yr 11 Practical Hospitality Exams

#### Monday 17/8–Friday 21/8

- Jindabyne Excursion

- Work Experience Yr 10

#### Monday 24/8

P & C Meeting

#### Tuesday 25/8

- Yr 8-9 Information Night

- Yr 12 Drama Showcase

## Canteen Roster

Mon 10/8 - HELP PLEASE !!

Tue 11/8 - HELP PLEASE !!

Wed 12/8 - HELP PLEASE !!

Thu 13/8 - Cindy White  
Melanie Milgate

Fri 14/8 - Madeline Rogers

### Attention All Canteen Volunteers:

*A small change to the way you sign on for canteen duty: on arrival at school, can you please report to the front office and sign-on in the Visitors Book - - You will also need to sign-off as you leave. Thank you.*  
Kris

**NEWSTART & WORK FOR THE DOLE ALLOWANCE RECEIVERS**

**VOLUNTEER TO WORK IN OUR CANTEEN AND RECEIVE AN EXTRA \$20 !!**

*Thank you to all our wonderful volunteers* Kris

**Excellence through challenge and support**

**POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING** have your say ....

This year, teachers and students at Mullumbimby High School have been working together applying the three school rules of *I am respectful, I am responsible and I am learning* to the different parts of our school environment and community.

An important aspect of school life is the praise and recognition students receive for their efforts and achievements. We would like to know what you think about this, by answering these two questions :

- What areas of school life do you think deserve recognition and reward?
- How would you like this information communicated to you?

Please jot down what you think on a piece of paper and send it into Student Services, or better still, email us at [mullumbimb-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:mullumbimb-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au) Subject: **Rewards In School**

**SUBSCRIBE & STAY INFORMED...**

Forward your email address with "School Newsletter" on the subject line to receive a copy of the Weekly Bulletin, the monthly School Newsletter as well as other important pieces of information. Please also give your name and your child's name and year level.

**ENGLISH LANGUAGE VOLUNTEER TUTORS**

Interested in becoming a volunteer Adult English language/literacy tutor? TAFE is running a short FREE training course in BYRON BAY for people who would like to assist another adult improve his/her English language and/or literacy skills. The learners may be migrants, refugees or people with small children unable to attend classes. It is a 30 hour course run over 6 weeks on Fridays at the senior citizens hall in Marvel Street, Byron. The course starts on 11 September and will run for 6 weeks 9.30am -3pm, excluding school holidays. Following the course, volunteers will be expected to commit to a 6 month placement 1-2 hours a week.

This course is especially suited to people who want to become volunteers in community work or get some experience working with adults who need English language assistance.

Information and applications:

Ballina TAFE 66818900 or email [penelope.beaumont@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:penelope.beaumont@det.nsw.edu.au) by end of August.

**Free Introduction to Compassionate Communication**  
(aka Nonviolent Communication)

If you are curious to know how to bring more harmony into your relationships, whether it be with children, teens, spouse or others in your life, you are invited to a free Introduction to CC/NVC.

**WHERE:** "Heartspace" above Santos, Mullumbimby

**WHEN:** Wednesday August 12th, 10am-12.00 noon

Contact Paulette 66 847262 for more information.

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 \* FRIDAY NIGHTS @ THE YAC \*  
 \* 6-10 pm drop in fun for 12-17 year old, \*  
 \* Movies, Music, Art, Gaming, Food and more ..... \*  
 \* Parents welcome to drop in, have a coffee and a \*  
 \* chat and meet the staff and volunteers of BYS \*  
 \* 1 Gilmore Crescent, Byron Bay \*  
 \* YOUNG PEOPLE MATTER \*  
 \* Friday nights supported by BUDDI-CDAT (Byron \*  
 \* Underage Drinking and Drug Initiative—Community \*  
 \* Drug Action Team) Street Cruise, BDCSA and \*  
 \* StreetBeat Ballina. \*  
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**COME & CELEBRATE CHILDREN'S BOOK WEEK**

**22<sup>nd</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> August 2009**

**FREE Book Week sessions will be available at all**

**Richmond-Tweed Regional Libraries**

**Come and enjoy the dynamic displays set up especially for Children's Book Week, tour around the library, meet the friendly staff and talk about Children's Book Week 2009**



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