



MOLONG CENTRAL SCHOOL

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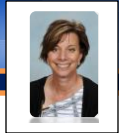
FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

WELCOME TO TERM 4

Congratulations to Year 12 for their fabulous effort whilst attending Molong Central School. Most of the students have been together at school for the past 13 years and although the group has always been known as the smallest year group they have left a lasting impact on our school. Their contributions to sport, cultural and volunteer work has been highlighted throughout these years and we wish them all the very best for their Higher School Certificate and beyond.



Back L-R: Mrs Claire Ryan (Year Adviser), Tieke Thomas, Makayla Bowd, Tane Hoete, Jackson Whiley, Marcus Van Elk, Jessica Burgess, Mrs Michelle Barrett (Principal). Front L-R: Sarah Williams, Meg Fulwood, Brooke Watts, Andee Sheedy, Karla Pearson, Calliope Treacy & Katia Whiteman.



BLACK DOG INSTITUTE

On Monday October 9 Secondary students attended a presentation from the Black Dog Institute to compliment the PDHPE curriculum, detailing the issues associated with Mental Health.

Students were highly engaged in the presentation, which helped them identify signs and symptoms of the condition and how to seek support.

Parents are encouraged to contact their GP should they have concerns about their children's mental health.

It is also a good idea to contact the school as we can provide additional support and strategies including access to the School Counsellor.



TRAFFIC ALERT

It has been noted that some students may not know what to do if an ambulance approaches the traffic crossing. Students have been reminded at the school assembly that the ambulance has the right of way. It was noticed by a member of the public that a group of our students stepped out on the crossing in front of an ambulance. Could all parents please reinforce our message by discussing this important rule with your children.

SELECTIVE SCHOOLS TEST

The Selective Schools Test will be available for current Year 5 students to sit in March 2018. If you are interested in your child having an opportunity to be considered for a Selective School please see the following details. It is important to note that parents are responsible for nominating their children using the links below. It is also a reminder that Aurora College, which is a Virtual Selective High School, uses the Selective Schools Test to determine student eligibility. Please make an appointment with me if you require additional information about Aurora College or the Selective Schools Test.

Mrs Michelle Barrett
Principal

Intention to apply for Year 7 entry to a selective high school in 2019

Dear Parent/Carer

Selective high schools cater for high achieving academically gifted students who may otherwise be without sufficient classmates at their own academic and social level. These schools help gifted and talented students to learn by grouping them with other gifted and talented students, teaching them in specialised ways and providing educational materials at the appropriate level.

Applications for selective high school placement are considered mainly on the basis of the Selective High School Placement Test results and school assessment scores. The Selective High School Placement Test will be held on Thursday 15 March 2018.

If you would like to have your child considered for Year 7 selective high school entry in 2019, you need to apply soon. You will need to apply on the internet using a valid email address (not the student's email address).

Detailed instructions on how to apply online will be available from 10 October 2017 in a printed application information booklet and at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>.

The application website opens at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7> on 10 October 2017 and closes on 13 November 2017. You must apply before the closing date.

There are no paper application forms. If you do not have internet access, you could apply at a public library. If you have a disability that prevents you from using a computer, you can contact the Unit for assistance after 10 October 2017.

You must submit only ONE application for each student.

Remember: the tear-off slip below is **not an application** and the school cannot apply on your behalf.

Yours sincerely

Principal

Cut along the dotted line and return the completed slip below to this school by next Friday.

Note: THIS IS NOT AN APPLICATION FOR ENTRY TO A SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL. This is a notice to your primary school only that you **intend** to apply.

TO APPLY YOU WILL NEED TO REGISTER AND THEN APPLY THROUGH THE HIGH PERFORMING STUDENTS APPLICATION WEBSITE:
<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>

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Student's name: _____ Class: _____

I intend to apply for selective high school entry in 2019

Yes ☐ No ☐

If Yes EITHER

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I have internet access and will be applying online

OR

I do not have internet access and will use the public library to complete the application

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Signature of parent/carers: _____ Date: _____

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Aurora College

The virtual selective school for rural and remote students

Aurora College is NSW's first virtual selective school, offering a mix of online and residential school classes. The school provides innovative, flexible learning in a completely new context, by allowing students to connect locally and learn globally.

Aurora offers selective classes in English, mathematics and science to gifted and talented Year 7-10 students from rural and remote areas across NSW.

Students connect with their teachers and classmates in timetabled lessons through a virtual learning environment.

The college also gives Year 11 and 12 students the opportunity to study subjects not available in their own school. For details please visit our website.

Aurora College offers students expanded career options through innovative partnerships with businesses and with scientific, cultural and tertiary education institutions.



IGNITING NEW WAYS OF LEARNING



Education
Public Schools

Applications for entry into Year 7 in 2019: Open
10th October 2017
Close 13th November 2017

Visit Selective High Schools website <http://bit.ly/shs2019>

For further information about Aurora College, visit our website
www.aurora.nsw.edu.au | or phone 1300 287 629