



# MOLONG CENTRAL SCHOOL

*Providing Opportunities for Personal Achievement*

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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

### WELCOME TO OUR VISITING MILLER TECHNOLOGY HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS & TEACHERS

I would like to give a warm welcome to the students visiting us for the multi-cultural festival. It was wonderful to see the conversations taking place between our billeting students and the students from Miller.

I am looking forward to the performances later in the week and we will bring you an update in the next newsletter accompanied with some photos to highlight this wonderful initiative that Mr Costa has organised.

Thank you to all families who have hosted a student, donated food or money for our activities on Friday or for supporting the Miller and Molong Central School students at Thursday night's performance.

I am looking forward to sharing the stories with you.

**Mrs Michelle Barrett,**  
**Principal**





## FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

### TEXTSTYLE EXHIBITION SUCCESS FOR JESSICA BURGESS

I would like to celebrate the outstanding Textiles and Design major work that Jessica Burgess submitted for her Higher School Certificate. Jessica's work has been selected to be part of Textstyle, the annual exhibition of outstanding Major Textiles Projects.

Jessica used natural fibres, yarns and fabrics which were utilised in a highly decorative manner to create a rural landscape that captured Jessica's historical past, her current journey and the future of the land. Her textile piece was symbolic of the land and it depicted generational change in farming practice, the struggles and the triumphs of the land and the need for conservation and biodiversity.

Wool was an integral part of Jessica's textile piece as it depicted the economic viability of "Wilga Vale." The versatility of Merino wool enabled the wool to be dyed, felted and embellished. The rural landscape has given Jessica a sense of belonging.

This project gripped Jessica's time, skills, imagination and energy. Her visual design development was a journey of combining elements and principles of design, working on weaknesses to improve the aesthetic and functional appeal, manufacturing to specification and experimenting to select superior techniques to showcase her inspirations.

As stitch held Jessica captive, she was able to tell her story about rural Australia.

Jessica has also been successful in attaining a position at Charles Sturt University through the Schools Recommendation Scheme.





## MCS DUKE OF EDINBURGH QUEST TO CONQUER MOUNT CANOBOLAS

Saturday the 4<sup>th</sup> of November saw a happy group of MCS students heading off from school on their first Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Expedition. The sun was shining, the birds were chirping, the kids were excited, the parents were happy and the bus was leaving.

With Mrs Costa safely piloting the MCS School Minibus to our destination we soon found ourselves standing on the flanks of the mighty Mount Canobolas. Gazing at its lofty peak, with the group wearing a collective look of steely resolve and determination, surely not dissimilar to that employed by Edmund Hillary when he first surveyed the distant summit of Mt Everest from the foothills of Nepal.

Farewelling the comforts of the bus we fitted packs, adjusted them, took them off again, refitted them, wiggled them around a bit, took some photos and made our way up the road and off into the bush to start our big adventure.

The group powered along the steadily rising, burrow-riddled track, before taking a side trip to Young Man Canobolas (the Eastern side-peak of the mountain) and then to the main summit where photos were taken, pit-toilets used and snacks eaten.

Heading down the western spur of the mountain took us to our campsite where we set up our tents and cooked some lunch on our little camp cookers, with noodles, twiggies, carrots and/or flat bread seeming to be the order of the day.

A leisurely break was followed by a trip out to Federal Falls (where Pacey got quite muddy), a bit of hacky-sack (at which Jack and Seth were showing some aptitude while others discovered difficulty in coordinating the movement of their foot in an upward direction). Taylor found a stick which she called George.

Activities were played around camp, dinner was cooked, kangaroos were talked to and then off we went on another walk out to the Walls Lookout to admire the golden light of the setting sun, where Hannah talked a lot. On return we played spotlight and Mercades fell over a rope.

During the night, the kangaroos moved in en masse and seemed to be employing some form of industrial grass munching machine, which sounded not dissimilar to a commercial tree mulcher (of the type which turns a massive gum tree into a steaming pile of chips). However, it turned out that they were just eating very closely to our tents and perhaps in the silence of the chilly night, this appeared louder than it actually was. One of them is believed to have punched Liam and Jackson's tent...or so it was claimed, very loudly by one of tent's occupants, in the dead of the night.

We rose early next morning to a definite chill in the air but our happy little campers were keen to fill their bellies, stow their tents, shoulder their packs and head off back over the mountain. A lovely song about a duck and his quest for grapes was repeatedly sung over much of the day, to the amusement of some and the extreme annoyance of others.

A series of tracks took us through some stunning wild flowers and over rocky lookouts, via a fine example of a saddle (as in the geographic feature – not the sort you would place on a horse, which disappointed Henrietta). Before we knew it, we had made our way back to the waiting bus.

Final photos were taken, packs were stowed, Lake Canobolas was visited (the sight of hundreds of people engaged in Dragon-Boat racing was impressive), Woolworths was visited and then we headed for sunny Molong, where tired kiddies were reunited with their families.

Reports from the following day suggested that all went home full of stories for their families, but slept very well that night. Congratulations to **Victoria, Mercades, Claudia, Taylor, Maddie, Olivia, Jackson, Liam, Jack, Pacey, Seth, Hannah, Jes, Henrietta, Sharna, Alyssa & Maddi** on successfully completing your first expedition – hopefully this will be the first of many.

**Mr Kevin Costa, Duke of Edinburgh Coordinator**



# DUKE OF EDINBURGH STUDENTS AT MOUNT CANOBOLAS







# YEAR 12 MAJOR TEXTILE PROJECTS

Major Textile Projects are a culmination of 12 months effort in gathering inspiration and developing a visual design concept which not only depicts the inspiration, but includes the elements and principles of a successful design. Through experimentation students choose the most effective methods to create and/or innovate to successfully manufacture their MTP. The HSC mark for Textiles and Design is composed of 25% MTP product and 25% in the detailed 12 x A3 pages of folio work. The remaining 50% is based on the HSC exam and assessment. Please find below the images of works by Jessica Burgess and Andee Sheedy. These two girls are to be congratulated on their consistent approach to their studies in Stage 6.

**Mrs Lyn Corinth, Textiles teacher**



Above: **Textile Arts** by **Jessica Burgess** – “Rural Australia” inspirations were Wilga Vale, drought, wool felter Susan Mulcock, biodiversity and mechanization and natural fibres.



Above: **Apparel wear** by **Andee Sheedy** - for a size 4 Flower Girl dress. Inspirations were a Balinese vacation, Haute Couture for children, designer Mischka Aoki, orchids and the modern Indonesian Kebaya.



## YEAR 10 SCIENCE

In year 10 Science the student have been learning about Genetics and which characteristics are dominant and recessive in people. Students were given a number of characteristics such as tongue rolling, earlobe attachment and left thumb on top when crossing your hands.

The students were very interested in surveying the class to see who and what characteristics the class shared were dominant and if a trait ran in their own family.

In the pictures we have Charlie, Jess and Molly demonstrating the traits they share.

### Mr Terry Bruton, Head Teacher Science





# NEWS FROM THE PRIMARY DEPARTMENT



## DEBATING

Our Primary Debating has been very successful this year culminating in the fact that they have now reached the Grand Final of the **Kerrie Parkes Debating Challenge**.

This will be held on **Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November** at Molong Central School starting at 11am in the Library.

This is a wonderful achievement for both the students and their teacher and mentor, Mrs Karen Honeyman.

Congratulations and good luck!



### Our successful team

L-R: Taylah Hobbs, Amelia Punch, Sophie Heath, & Harrison Hill.



## It's time for Learn to Swim!

|                  |                      |                          |
|------------------|----------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>Monday</b>    | <b>27th November</b> | <b>1.00 pm – 3.00 pm</b> |
| <b>Tuesday</b>   | <b>28th November</b> | <b>1.00 pm – 3.00 pm</b> |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | <b>29th November</b> | <b>1.00 pm – 3.00 pm</b> |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | <b>30th November</b> | <b>1.00 pm – 3.00 pm</b> |

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| <b>Monday</b>    | <b>4th December</b> | <b>1.00 pm – 3.00 pm</b> |
| <b>Tuesday</b>   | <b>5th December</b> | <b>1.00 pm – 3.00 pm</b> |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | <b>6th December</b> | <b>1.00 pm – 3.00 pm</b> |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | <b>7th December</b> | <b>1.00 pm – 3.00 pm</b> |

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|----------------|----------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>Monday</b>  | <b>11th December</b> | <b>1.00 pm – 3.00 pm</b> |
| <b>Tuesday</b> | <b>12th December</b> | <b>1.00 pm – 3.00 pm</b> |

A reminder that our Yr 2-6 Learn to Swim program will be commencing next Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November, at the pool for ten days of lessons (note, there are NO lessons on Fridays).

Children attending should bring the following items each day: swimming costume, towel, shirt or rash vest, a hat, and SPC 30+ sun protection, as well as warm clothing on a cool day, a plastic bag for wet gear and a carry-bag.

The wearing of a swimming cap and goggles is optional; however, students will be assessed during the Program for all swimming skills *without* wearing goggles.

Children will have a ONE-hour session at the pool within the time frames to the left.

## SCHOOL LEADERS SPEECHES

Recently our Year 5 students received an invitation to apply for nomination to participate in our election for School Leaders for 2018.

Students are currently working on their speeches, which will be presented to our students, teachers and parents on **Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November** in the **Hall** at **9.50am**.

Good luck to those who have nominated. Our new leaders will be announced at our **Stage2/3 Christmas Assembly and Presentations** on **Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December** starting at **9.30am**.



# YOUNG ARCHIBALD COMPETITION

Recently K-6 students participated in the Pre 2 Young Archibald Competition, which involved all the schools involved in the Pre 2 initiative. Two finalists from our school were chosen for the Young Archies exhibition that was held at the CWA Hall in Robertson Park on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November.

They were:

Stage 1

**Mia Saxelby**

Stage 2/3

**Tiarna Martin**

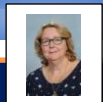
This is a great achievement by both of these students and huge congratulations on being chosen. I must also commend all of our students on their participation in this competition. There is no doubt that we have many artists within our school and if more could have been chosen, this would have been the case.



**Tiarna Martin**



**Mia Saxelby**



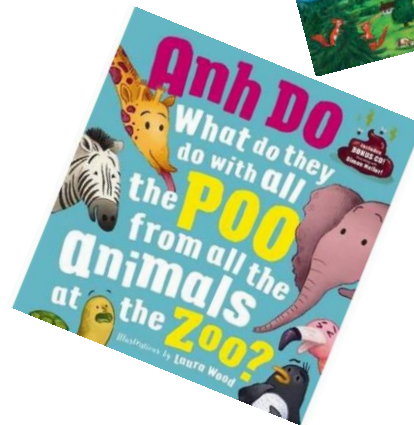
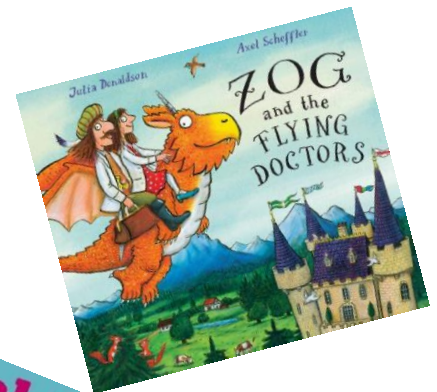
# NEWS FROM OUR LIBRARY

## JUNIOR FICTION

*Attack of the Giant Robot Zombie Mermaid* – by Matt Cosgrove  
*Grover's New Friends* – by Claire Garth, Illustrations by Johannes Leak  
*Robyn Silver, The Midnight Chimes* – by Paula Harrison  
*Secret Kingdom, Royal Bridesmaids* – by Rosie Banks  
*What do they do with all the Poo from all the Animals at the Zoo?* – by Anh Do  
*Zog and the Flying Doctors* – by Julia Donaldson, Illustrated by Axel Scheffler

## SENIOR FICTION

*Black Powder* - by Scott Ally Sherrick  
*The Castle* – by Sophia Bennett  
*Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them* – by J.K.Rowling  
*The Secret Cooking Club* – by Laurel Remington  
*Talon* – by Julie Kagawa (Book 1)  
*World Warcraft, Traveller* – by Greg Weisman



Hi Everyone,

As we near the end of the year I would like to appeal to all families to have a good look for Library books that may have inadvertently been misplaced throughout the year. There have been a few very overdue books returned recently which has been a lovely surprise. Early next week I will be sending home overdue notices with your child. It would be appreciated if these titles could be returned to the Library ASAP, not necessarily during your child's Library lesson.

Library staff will be completing a stocktake so that the Junior collection of books can be reorganised during the holidays.

It was great to see Stage 2 & 3 students who completed the Premier's Reading Challenge attend a Lunch time 'movie and treat' earlier this term. The PRC certificates are now ready to be printed off for those students who successfully completed the challenge for 2017. These will be handed out in a couple of weeks. Students are now being encouraged to record books they are reading as these will count towards their records for next year. K-2 students will once again complete the challenge in their classrooms. Year 3-9 students are responsible for keeping track of their reading. The 2018 PRC website can't be accessed until next March.

- 🌟 Stage 1 students need to borrow books with an orange dot.
- 🌟 Stage 2 students need to borrow books with a pink dot.
- 🌟 Stage 3 students need to borrow books with a silver dot.
- 🌟 Stage 4 students need to borrow books with a green dot.

Students who are beginning High School are encouraged to keep reading as they will receive their PRC medals at the end of Year 9.

**Mrs Hall**



# MOLONG CENTRAL SCHOOL AWARDS

## SECONDARY MERIT AWARDS

|                 |                 |
|-----------------|-----------------|
| Jacob Davis     | Cody Whyburn    |
| Kara Yelland    | Pacey Oakenfull |
| Joe Spencer     | Jesyca Pearson  |
| Jessica Clayton | Victoria Norton |
| Myles Madden    | Connor Linde    |
| Jack Gavin      | Jeremiah Cundy  |

## Primary Awards

### Bronze Award

Jocelyn Behan Chloe Brouff Makai Milson Sam Lapins  
Lily-Jade Duncan Braxton May Charlotte Lowder

### Silver

Eleanor Collins

### Gold

Charlotte McDouall

### Platinum

Jessica Ball

### Principals Banner

Noah Ripps

### Principals Badge

Tim Rapley Abbie Lyons Toby Vis-Lowe

## Club 200

Alice Barnard Cody Brown Reagan Quinn Kelsey Quinn Zoe Strahom Francesca Mitchell Sefton Powers

# PRIMARY

## STUDENT OF THE WEEK – Week 5 T4

| Class      | Student  |
|------------|--|
| K Orange   | Sefton Power – For excellent preparation for news                    |
| K Yellow   | Adelaide Swift – For fantastic reading with good expression          |
| 1/2 Pink   | Layne Mills – For writing fantastic factual sentences about echidnas |
| 1/2 Gold   | Nate Trapman – For being a kind and considerate class member         |
| 1/2 Blue   | Kora-Rose Smyth – For always willing to help in the classroom        |
| 3/4 Lime   | Sam Ball – For improved effort with working independently            |
| 3/4 White  | Fergus Whittle – For outstanding contributions to class discussions  |
| 3/4 Aqua   | Ethan Keys – For your work with literacy devices                     |
| 5/6 Red    | Alice Wilson – For being a delightful student everyday               |
| 5/6 Silver | Grace Parry – For a fantastic speech on Idioms                       |
| 5/6 Purple | Claire Miller – For being a helpful student                          |
| Library    | Boyd Packham – For being an extremely hard worker in Library         |

## STUDENT OF THE WEEK – Week 6 T4

| Class      | Student   |
|------------|---|
| K Orange   | Natalie Fowler – For improved effort to complete tasks                                  |
| K Yellow   | Charlie Burrows – For a super effort in hearing and writing sounds in words             |
| 1/2 Pink   | Braiden Murray Foley – For great reading and comprehension                              |
| 1/2 Gold   | Minnie Whittle – For excellent results in Spelling and Writing                          |
| 1/2 Blue   | Charlotte McDouall – For creating a beautiful information text about egg laying animals |
| 3/4 Lime   | Lilibelle Dive – For displaying an outstanding work ethic                               |
| 3/4 White  | Jack Burgess – For using advanced vocabulary in his writing                             |
| 3/4 Aqua   | Jessica Ball – For great work in Literacy lessons                                       |
| 5/6 Red    | Jeb Dykes – For an excellent Newspaper report   |
| 5/6 Silver | Imogen Collins – For excellent written results in Science                               |
| 5/6 Purple | Chloe Brouff – For her positive attitude in class                                       |
| Library    | No Award  |

## CLUB 100 AWARDS



### ***Club 100***

Pictured above: Adelaide Swift, Nevaeh Jackson, Mrs Barrett, Flint Althaus, Zara Gianisis, Lily-Jade Duncan & Mackenzie Mitchell  
Absent from photo: Charles Burrows & Cody Wise





## WHERE ARE THEY NOW ? - NICK BALL

### Former MCS student

I left Molong Central School in 2008 after finishing my High School Certificate in 2007. I was 16, and looking back, was maybe too young. However, I was keen to enter the working world.

After a short experience in the building industry, I started my apprenticeship at local engineering company, Davimac, in Molong. These four years built the foundations for future success. Two key takeouts were definitely developing practical knowledge (common sense) and problem solving skills, which are now applied on a daily basis regardless of my profession.

Following completion of my apprenticeship, I was accepted into the Agricultural Business Management degree at Charles Sturt University studying in Orange.

Having not completed my senior studies at school this was always going to be a challenge. Despite the challenges, the three years at university were the most influential. I was lucky to have consistent exposure to many facets of the Agribusiness industry, including touring the Midwest of the USA, Intercollegiate meat judging and numerous industry events and tours.

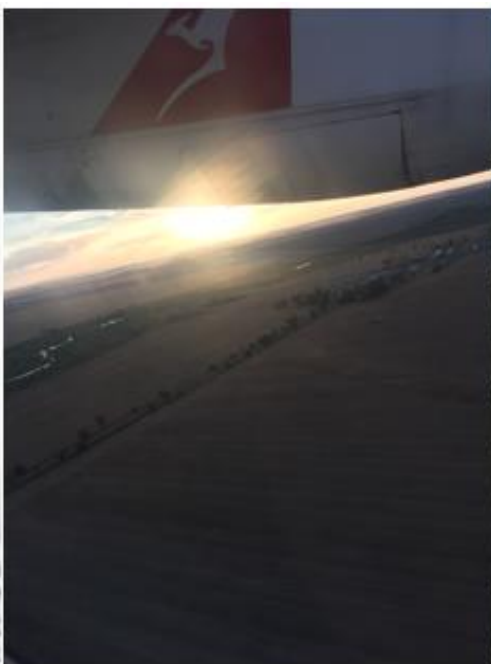
Following my time at University I was lucky enough to be one of eight graduates selected to enter the 2016 Commonwealth Bank Graduate Program in the Regional & Agribusiness Division. My time with the Commonwealth Bank has been one of the most exciting parts of my journey so far.

When I was welding chaser bins in a workshop in Molong, I never once pictured myself going to work in a suit and tie pitching ideas to executives in the skyscrapers of Sydney.

The Graduate program experience enabled me to grow as a young professional, address my way of thinking and position myself as a change leader and an innovation advocate.

Since starting my career with the Commonwealth Bank, I have lived in Dubbo, The Shoalhaven and I am now permanently based in Moree, North West NSW, working as an Agribusiness & Commercial Relationship Executive. My role is to manage a portfolio of high value Agricultural & Commercial clients based in and around the North West.

My only piece of advice to current students would be to remember, that where you start, doesn't need to be where you finish. Don't be afraid of the journey, nothing happens straight away. **Nick Ball**



# COMMUNITY NOTICE BOARD



## THE VERY USEFUL GIFTS DRIVE

This year, the Molong Country Women's Association has dedicated their time to creating "the very useful gifts drive" to collect presents to donate to Anglicare to give to the children of families who need them most at Christmas time.

We are calling on members of the community to donate a gift such as a school bag, pair of shoes, pencils or crayons, art supplies, books, puzzles or any other items you might deem as being a great gift to give, which can be used throughout the coming year for these children.

No gift will be refused! If you are interested in helping by donating a very useful gift, please do so by dropping your unwrapped gifts in to Booful gifts and home wares.

For your present to make it into the right hands, please make your drop by 15 December. We sincerely thank anyone who donates for helping us to continue to support women and children in our communities who may be having a difficult time.



## MOLONG SWIMMING CLUB 2017

Past members will receive an email from NSW swimming with details for payment of registration for 2017/18 season.

- Under 7 children are free but you will still need to register on line.
- For new members, go to the N.S.W. swimming website and click on "Join Now" tab. Area is "mountains & plains", then find "Molong Club" and follow the prompts.
- Training nights are Tuesdays and Thursdays
- Under 7s 4.00pm – 4.30pm
- Ages 8 and above 4.30pm – 5.30pm
- Children must be able to swim a lap of the pool to join.
- Coaches are Belinda Mills, Anna Bowman, Phillip Pennisi, Brooke Watts and Lisa Vandervelde.
- Swimming costumes are available from Tori Wood.
- For more information please contact Anna Bowman on 0438 285 512



# CANTEEN NEWS



## CANTEEN 24/11/17 – 8/12/17

|  |                                     |                                       |                                      |                                    |
|--|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| <b>HELP IS DESPERATELY NEEDED ON THIS ROSTER.</b> Please give one morning per month to the Canteen-that is all it takes. Ring the Canteen on 6366 9009 from 8.30am-1.45pm. If you can't work on your day just call me. Thank you, <b>Tina McGovern, Canteen Manager.</b> |                                     |                                       |                                      | 24/11/17<br>4 <sup>TH</sup> FRIDAY |
|  |                                     |                                       |                                      | Helen Davis                        |
| 27/11/17<br>4 <sup>TH</sup> MONDAY   | 28/11/17<br>4 <sup>TH</sup> TUESDAY | 29/11/17<br>5 <sup>TH</sup> WEDNESDAY | 30/11/17<br>5 <sup>TH</sup> THURSDAY | 01/12/17<br>5 <sup>TH</sup> FRIDAY |
| Help Needed  | Belinda Mills                       | Help Needed                           | Helen Davis                          | Helen Davis                        |
| 04/12/17<br>1 <sup>ST</sup> MONDAY   | 05/12/17<br>1 <sup>ST</sup> TUESDAY | 06/12/17<br>1 <sup>ST</sup> WEDNESDAY | 07/12/17<br>1 <sup>ST</sup> THURSDAY | 08/12/17<br>1 <sup>ST</sup> FRIDAY |
| Help Needed  | Help Needed                         | Help Needed                           | Help Needed                          | Lisa Burgess                       |

## FANTASTIC FRIDAY SPECIALS

**24.11.17 CHICKEN TACOS - No Special today**

**01.12.17 CHICKEN & BACON CHEESY MACARONI - \$5.00**

| MONDAY   | TUESDAY   | WEDNESDAY  | THURSDAY  | FRIDAY   |
|--|---|--|---|--|
| Mini Chicken Wraps - (Chicken/cheese/ lettuce/ Mayo) <b>\$3.00</b> | Wraps: lettuce, carrot, tomato & grated cheese with the choice of chilli chicken tender, fresh chicken or ham. Hot or cold. Chilli sauce & mayo also available cold.<br><b>Cold \$5.00</b><br><b>Hot \$5.50</b> | Hamburgers: with lettuce, tomato, beetroot, cheese, lean meat pattie with BBQ/tomato sauce.<br><b>\$5.50</b><br>Plus wedges with sauce<br><b>\$4.00</b><br>with sour cream & chilli sauce, BBQ, tomato or chilli sauce available.<br><b>\$4.60</b> | Pizza: Ham/pineapple, cheese/bacon singles<br><b>\$2.50</b> | Chicken kebabs: mildly seasoned chicken pieces on skewers. Available with a side salad (see meal deals for pricing) or on its own.<br><b>\$2.50</b> (each) |

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

| DATE        | EVENT                                     |
|-------------|---|
| 21-24/11/17 | Multi-Cultural visit                      |
| 8/12/17     | Carols by Candlelight                     |
| 11/12/17    | Presentation Night                        |
| 13/12/17    | K-2 Christmas Assembly 9.30am start       |
| 14/12/17    | Years 3-6 Christmas Assembly 9.30am start |
| 14/12/17    | Year 6 Graduation 9.30am start            |
| 14/12/17    | Year 6 Farewell celebrations 5.30pm start |
| 15/12/17    | Primary Talent Quest 9.30am start         |

## ASSESSMENT TASKS DUE

| DATE     | TASK DUE  |
|----------|---|
| 27/11/17 | HSC Maths 1 – in class assessment task 1 due                          |
| 4/12/17  | Year 12 English Area of study – feedback interviews in class all week |
| 4/12/17  | Yr 12 Physics -- assessment task 1 in class all week                  |
| 5/12/17  | Yr 12 English Area of study – in class interviews                     |
| 7/12/17  | Yr 12 English area of study – in class interviews                     |
| 8/12/17  | Yr 12 English area of study – in class interviews                     |

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