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Student of the Year-Construction

The Illawarra Schools Excellence in Vocational Education & Training (VET) awards were designed to recognise, reward and promote the pursuit of excellence by students completing VET subjects as part of the HSC in the region’s public and private High Schools, TAFE colleges and private providers.

The students selected for this prestigious award have strived to achieve their personal best in their chosen Vocational Education & Training pathway and have displayed excellence in skill development. Last Tuesday night Jackson Williams was chosen to be the Student of the Year – Construction, one of 13 students of the year from a field of 100 students.

Congratulations Jackson.
Year 5 Day

On Tuesday 4th November, year 5 students from our local primary schools visited Corrimal High to experience high school. The students had a tour of the school and participated in two high school lessons, followed by a BBQ lunch. Staff and students from the primary schools had a great day and commented on how friendly the staff and students were at Corrimal High School. Congratulations must go to all the students who volunteered to help out as group leaders, AV assistants and BBQ helpers. Also, thank you to the rest of the students who were good examples of the kindness and respect that is part of Corrimal High School.

Year 6 transition

Over the next 3 weeks our local primary schools will be bringing the year 6 students to Corrimal High to help them become more familiar with the high school environment. Regardless of where students end up going to high school, the more time they spend in a high school setting, the easier their transition to high school will be. We are looking forward to spending time with the primary school students.

Uniform Donations

We are always grateful for spare uniforms. If your child has grown out of their uniforms, is moving to the senior years, or has just finished school, we would greatly appreciate any uniforms you could donate. Please drop them in to the school office.

Sandra Gyles
Learning Support Teacher

BULLYING AND HARASSMENT

We would like to remind the school community that Corrimal High School has a zero-tolerance approach to bullying and harassment. It is the responsibility of all of us to take steps to prevent bullying. Please have a look at our school website for all our policies as well as related links. Go to: Caring for Students – Student Safety: Bullying and Harassment. There are a number of links on how to address and counteract bullying, including cyber bullying.

Welfare Team

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SPORT REPORT

The annual Sports Assembly will be held on Friday 28 November starting at 9.15 am in the school hall. Students receiving a sports award have been notified by mail. This is a fantastic opportunity for the school to recognise our students’ sporting achievements from 2014.

Term 4 Recreational sport is well underway with students enjoying a range of sports from ten pin bowling & gridiron to fishing and beach activities. All students have been enjoying being active in the warmer weather.

Good luck to Nick Henderson and Kyle Trebel of Year 10 who will attend the South Coast Regional Cricket trials this week.

Sport Quote:
“Winning means you’re willing to go longer, work harder, and give more than anyone else”

Vince Lombardi

LIBRARY NEWS - SENIORS

As year 11 moves into their HSC year, remember the library has an important role to play in your studies and success. I can help with study plans, research, speeches, note taking, drafts, essay writing and creative writing. In addition to opening before school, recess and lunch; Wednesday lunch and sport time is dedicated to ‘seniors only’. Utilise your study periods and remember, there is an extensive collection of HSC resources. You can borrow as many as you need throughout your HSC year.

S Cutsforth
ZONE CHAMPION DEBATERS

October 29 saw our Champion Year 7 debaters head off to Bomaderry for the regional finals. The regional finals saw the eight best teams from across our region compete for the title of Regional Champion. Teams came from as far away as Jindabyne and Braidwood. Our Year 7 team consisted of Taylah Woolmer, Kayla Henderson, Maggie Esdale, Luke Jackson and Dylan Kramer. Our first debate was against Albion Park High and the topic was “That Australia should accept more migrants”. What a closely contested debate it was, with even the adjudicator saying very little separated the teams. Unfortunately, it was not our win but credit to Albion Park who put up fabulous arguments. It has been a pleasure to watch our Corrimal debaters grow in strength and confidence. Each debate saw them come up with increasingly complex arguments and all speakers reached the 6 minute bell despite only having an hour to prepare their case. I am impressed by Tayah’s growing confidence and presence as a speaker, Jackson’s confident speaking voice, Maggie’s analytical mind and clever rebuttal and Kaylah’s organisation and preparation. Dylan is our ever reliable ‘step in and fill every role’ team member and it was unfortunate he couldn’t fit in the car for our trip to Bomaderry as he is an integral part of our team. And the most polite and easy-going student you could hope to meet!

So we had a very enjoyable day with the obligatory trip to McDonalds thrown in for a little bit of fun combined with the hard work. I must commend our students, who were the only full Year 7 team there. Most teams had at least two Year 8 students, so I look forward to watching these students perform next year. I must add they showed their enthusiasm by wanting to stay and watch the next debate to see Smith’s Hill go against Albion Park. Their willingness to learn is commendable and they were wonderful ambassadors for our school. If you have an interest in public speaking or debating register your interest with Ms Mahon in the English staffroom as we are busy planning next year’s events.

ILLAWARRA COAL REGIONAL SCIENCE FAIR

On Wednesday 5th of November two year 10 students from Corrimal High school participated in the Illawarra Coal Regional Science Fair, held at the University of Wollongong.

Rhiannon Thomas and Kellie John submitted entries on “The Placebo Effect” and “The Psychology of Fear” respectively.

The fair is an innovative science program aimed at inspiring school students to study science. It provides an opportunity for primary and high school students from the South Coast, Illawarra, Southern Sydney, Campbelltown and Southern Highlands to research a topic of interest and showcase their findings.

The science fair aims to collaborate with teachers about the way science is taught in schools, inspire students to continue science study and consider careers in science.

This year’s science fair has attracted a big response with more than 420 students from 41 primary and high schools registered to present 294 scientific research projects.

The young scientists displayed the results of their own open-ended investigations to expert judges at the fair. The judges are an illustration of the diverse career options in science - and come from industry, research organisations, education departments, schools, media organisations, and the University of Wollongong.

During the lead-up to the fair a team of Science Mentors - UOW science students - visited Corrimal High School to inspire the students and provide practical advice on completing research projects to both students and teachers.

The science fair provided students with a fantastic opportunity to share their enthusiasm for science. Rhiannon and Kellie were both excellent ambassadors for the school on the day and interacted with the judges and gained valuable feedback on their research.

Mr. Laidler
PREMIER SPORTING CHALLENGE

On Friday 7th November eighteen students from year 8 and 9 attended the 2014 Premier’s Sporting Challenge at Kanahooka High School. These students were involved in a number of exciting workshops led by coaches in the sports of soccer, rugby league, golf, dance, netball, fitness and baseball. They gained valuable experience and feedback from the coaches and participated with enthusiasm and vigour in all of the activities. The students from Corrimal High were commended by the organisers for their behaviour and sportsmanship throughout the day. We look forward to seeing the skills gained utilised in the field of coaching in the near future.

Mr Tier

BUS TRAVEL

Premier Illawarra would like to inform all parents and students that the 2015 school year will commence under our new contractual arrangements with Transport for NSW. The most significant factor of the new contract is our obligation to maintain On Time Running (OTR) in accordance with our Key Performance Indicators (KPI).

As the OTR applies to all services, including school services, Premier Illawarra will be working closely with all schools to ensure that services are scheduled correctly and depart as per the schedule. To avoid penalties and possible cancellation of contract our services will be departing schools at precisely the times agreed. If for some reason students are not loaded onto the buses by the designated time it will be required to depart without them.

Premier Illawarra has met with schools in the area and are working closely in relation to the following issues:

- School departure times – to ensure that students are afforded sufficient time to relocate to the bus stop in the afternoon
- Sports specials (sport excursions) – to ensure that sports buses under our control arrive back at school prior to the designated departure of the school’s services.

FREE BREAKFAST PROGRAM

FOR ALL SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN

Held every school day 7.30am-8.30am (not available school holidays)

@ Bellambi Neighbourhood Centre

Kids receive free unlimited cereal, juice, toast etc.

We also pack a free school lunch of sandwiches & a snack

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Art & Cartooning Program

Monday 29 December 2014 – Friday 2 January 2015

WOLLONGONG CAMP
Gwynneville Public School
10 Acacia Street,
Gwynneville

Registration:
Book & pay online: www.illustrating-man.com.au

Short Day: $35 per child per day (9.30am - 3.30pm)
All activities listed in the brochure take place within the Short Day.

Long Day: $40 per child per day (8am - 6pm or part thereof)
Long Day is a service we provide for those families that are working or for children that want to do more activities, cartooning, craft or games.

Night Camps: $20 (6pm - 9pm) per night (Tuesday & Friday)

EARLY BIRD SPECIAL
Book & pay for 3 days ONLY
Monday to Wednesday Long Day & we will add your child manually to the Friday list for free here in our office: Payments must be before Friday December 12th 5pm

Receive Friday for FREE!
2014-2015 Family Energy Rebate

Apply before Midnight
16 June 2015

WHAT IS THE FAMILY ENERGY REBATE?
The Family Energy Rebate helps to cover the cost of energy bills for NSW households with dependent children. In 2014-2015 the rebate gives:

- A $150 credit on electricity bills for eligible applicants who hold an account with an electricity retailer
- A $165 direct payment to nominated bank accounts for eligible applicants who live in a residential community (caravan or mobile home park) and receive electricity from the park operator.

AM I ELIGIBLE FOR THE REBATE?
To be eligible you MUST:

- Be a NSW resident; and
- Have been assessed by the Federal Department of Human Services (DHS) as being eligible for the Family Tax Benefit (FTB) A or B at any time during the 2013-2014 financial year, and have received an FTB payment in respect of that eligibility; and
- Be an account holder of an electricity retailer, or a long-term resident of a residential community (caravan or mobile home park), whose name appears on the electricity account for supply to her or his principal place of residence.

WHAT DO I NEED TO DO BEFORE I APPLY?
Before you apply, here’s a quick checklist. Have you:

- Lodged your tax return for 2013-14 with the Australian Taxation Office or informed the Department of Human Services (DHS) if you are not required to lodge a tax return?
- Received confirmation from DHS as to your eligibility for Family Tax Benefit A or B for 2013-2014?

HOW TO APPLY

- ONLINE – it takes just two minutes to submit an application. Processing starts immediately.
- PAPER – download a form from the website, complete and submit by email, fax or post. Use this form if you receive your electricity from the operator of the residential community where you live.

FOR MORE INFORMATION & ASSISTANCE

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