AG STUDENTS SUCCESS AT MUDGEE SHOW

A group of Dubbo College agriculture students struck success at the recent Mudgee Show with three of the students qualifying for the Sydney Royal Easter Show. Under the guidance of agriculture teacher Sarah Foster, the six students, including one first timer, came away with excellent results.

Year 12 student Lucy Bernasconi and heifer “Grace” came second in the led steer/heifer category and were highly commended in paraders. She also came first in the meat sheep judging and second in the cattle judging qualifying for the Sydney Royal in the process. Bethany Smith gained second place in paraders, second in meat sheep judging and second in fleece judging. John Marshall came first in grain junior judging. Bethany and John also qualified for the Sydney Royal. Ms Foster said she was very happy with the success of the group and their willingness to participate and make the most of their opportunities. The day finished with a round of students versus teacher dodgem cars before heading home.

Students have been developing basic construction skills and their current cubby house project is nearing completion. This cubby will be available for purchase early Term 2.

Any interest can be directed to TAS Head Teacher Mr White.

** Parent / Teacher Night
Tuesday 9th April in KBlock from 4pm-6pm
(see form on back of newsletter—students to make appointments with their class teacher)

** P&C meeting will be held on
Monday 6th May in A Block from 6pm - ALL WELCOME

** Assessment Week Year 11 & 12
Friday 22nd – Thursday 28th March
For Appeals please refer to the Assessment Guide Booklet pages 5&6
Dear Parents and Students

Our P&C Annual General Meeting was held on Monday 4 March. I would like to congratulate the following parents who have been elected to positions:

President: Sonya Strachan
Vice President: Belinda Jump
Secretary: Therese Garnsey
Treasurer: Jenny Floyd

The P&C are an integral component of our school and I would encourage parents to attend our next meeting on 6 May at the new time of 6:00 pm. The P&C supports students at the school and I thank them for their generosity of a donation for environmental improvement within the school grounds. The P&C will also be helping us cater for the term 3 staff development day which will see 1000 Education & Health personnel meet at the Senior Campus for the Dubbo Wellbeing Forum.

Last Monday the Senior Campus hosted the Western Region Secondary Principal Councils meeting. Then on Tuesday and Wednesday Western Region Principals met for a Conference on Learning & Leadership at the Dubbo RSL Club. The new restructure of Education in NSW was outlined and we are now in area “4” which will result in many changes in the organisational structures of the Department. The government has stated that these changes “will have no impact beyond the school gate”.

The most inspirational part of the 2-day program was a talk by Dr Paul Brock. Dr Brock has motor neurone disease but continues to work in the area of educational research. He spoke to us via video conference on the value of research, professional standards and the importance of quality teaching. He is a passionate supporter of public education and believes it is the most essential structure to the progress of all nations.

Students at the Senior Campus are now very much focussed on preparing for the assessment period beginning on Friday 22 March. In order to keep the number of days to a minimum the examination days may be extended to 5:00 pm. Students should ensure they have thoroughly checked their examination timetable in case they need to make alternate arrangements for going home.

I would ask that students and parents please be familiar with the guidelines for ‘grounds for appeal’ and note specifically that ‘family holiday’ is not ‘grounds for appeal’. School holidays are set for exactly that purpose and school terms are for learning. Similarly, driving lessons need to be organised outside of school hours.

Following the assessment period a parent/teacher afternoon will be held on Tuesday 9 April. Further details are included in this newsletter. Please come along and have a chat with your child’s teachers.

Many of our sporting teams have begun their CHS campaign. Congratulations to all students who have gained selection in school teams, but remember your inclusion requires at least an 85% attendance rate. This week the boys and girls basketball teams are playing.

Congratulations to Dayne Gardiner on winning Western Area Golf Championships last week and to Ben Patterson for his selection in the CHS state cricket team.

On Thursday we have Year 10 students from Delroy and South Campus who will make their “Get Real” pledge to continue on a path of education and lifelong learning. We thank our business partners for their support.

Debbie Head
Principal (Rel)
From the Deputy.....

Year 11 have had a terrific start to the new school year. I have had very positive comments from the students who are enjoying their classes and the new learning environment at Senior Campus. They have been provided with a wealth of information from the careers team who have provided information seminars ranging from university options, traineeships, TAFE courses and both part-time and full-time employment opportunities.

I would like to extend my congratulations to Ben Patterson on his recent selection in CHS Cricket. He will be enjoying a tour in the United Kingdom and we wish him success in his ventures. Zohe Hughes continues to train hard in her endeavours to qualify for the 2016 Paralympics and we look forward to following her campaign.

Parents should have received letters recently regarding subject attendance for your child. The Board of Studies recommends a minimum of 85% attendance and students must show sustained effort and diligence in all courses. Consistent attendance is needed to succeed at school and I would encourage you to discuss attendance issues with your child. I am holding interviews this Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday to discuss these matters with both parents and students and encourage you to take the opportunity to make an appointment.

A reminder to parents that with assessment week approaching, students should be making full use of their study periods whilst at school. During these study lessons students are to be in the library, cafeteria or the staffed learning centre to work either individually or with support from the staff. If your child does require assistance to source information or discuss what is needed for assessments they can also seek out support from their class teachers or Head Teachers who will be more than happy to provide guidance. Please encourage your child to seek the necessary help they may need so we can all support them at school.

Di Baker,
Deputy Principal (Rel)

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Leticia heads to UBS Academy during holidays

Year 11 student Leticia Quince will spend a week during the coming school holidays in Sydney as part of the UBS Young Women’s Leadership Academy. Leticia, an Indigenous Youth Leadership Scholar at Senior Campus, was selected for the prestigious school after sending in an application stating her aims for the future.

The UBS Academy is a residential program based at the University of Sydney and consists of sessions on personality type, styles of leadership, women’s leadership in business, community and politics and presentation skills. Students will have the opportunity to meet with UBS employees and several successful women in business and the community.

UBS is a Swiss corporation specialising in wealth management, investment banking and asset management. It has more than 63,000 employees working in 50 countries throughout the world.

Leticia said she would be one of 12 participants in the academy from NSW.

“This is a great opportunity and I’m very excited about it,” Leticia said. “It will be my first time travelling on a plane to Sydney and I’m very much looking forward to meeting other girls on the program when I get to Sydney.

“One of the sessions is on image and attitude and focuses on building a signature style and personal brand and I am looking forward to that. We will also be visiting the Art Gallery of NSW and I’m very excited.”

The academy will also incorporate sessions about physical and vocal presence, thinking on your feet, goal setting, ethical leadership and cyber bullying.

Leticia wants to become a youth worker and intends to study social work and Aboriginal professional practice at university following her HSC next year.

“I plan on opening up youth shelters to help accommodate children needing a place to stay and to provide protection, food, clothing and shelter for youth who have difficulty accessing these life fundamentals,” she said. “I would also like to run support groups and provide counselling within each shelter.”

Leticia’s involvement in school activities at South Campus and now Senior Campus means she is already well practiced in leadership. She has been a member of the junior AECG, taken her place on campus SRCs, been a member of an Aboriginal debating team and a member of an anti-bullying committee, as well as part of this year’s Indigenous Youth Leadership team.
HUMAN IMPACT ON FRESH WATER RESOURCE

A field trip to the Macquarie River by a group of Yr 11 students has paved the way for an ecological study to be carried out focusing on human impacts on this fresh water resource. Science head teacher James Eddy led the group last week, which was ably assisted by Central Western Catchment Management Authority officer Dr Thomas Payne who are pictured here with students Alex Tilston and Katrina Sharp.

“The Year 11 Senior Science course has a strong focus on understanding the important resources around us and a big part of this is the human impact upon these resources,” Mr Eddy said. “This Year 11 group have been studying our local fresh water source, and how humans have affected the supply by living around it. As a part of this study, they conducted a survey of two sites along the Macquarie – Sandy Beach and Devil’s Elbow. It was also an excellent opportunity to work with local experts.”

During the study students measured abiotic factors including pH, salinity and turbidity, as well as evaluating the sites for disturbance of habitat for the variety of animals living in the area. “Importantly, the students conducted a survey of the invertebrate species living in the waterway,” Mr Eddy said. “This involved collecting samples and then identifying the species in the lab under a microscope.”

The field trip provided an excellent opportunity to gain hands-on experience in conducting an ecological survey and to speak with experts in the field.

YR 12 FUNDRAISER

a BBQ will be our next fundraising event to be held at Bunnings Warehouse 24 March 2013 - 9am to 4pm Please COME ALONG!!!

Students gain insight into family connections

Two Year 12 Indigenous students are gaining an insight into their family background with the help of a Sydney-based organisation. Teliha Clarke and Shannon Furney started with minimal information about their families, but with the help of the Native Title Services Corporation (ntscorp), they now have access to family genealogies.

Year 12 visual art student Teliha Clarke’s family originate from Bourke but she did not have detailed information about her family history. After sending away through the Dubbo College learning centre to ntscorp, she received information about the family dating back to 1938.

“My mum was ecstatic,” Teliha said. “Until we received this record we didn’t have a great deal of knowledge but now I have a deeper understanding of where I came from. I intend to link this new knowledge in with my visual arts major work for my HSC this year.”

Shannon Furney is undertaking a family research project for HSC Aboriginal studies and asked the College learning centre to help.

“I had a little bit of information because my nan kept a little family tree,” she said. “Nan then contacted one of her sisters and a brother and obtained a bit more information and we sent this away to ntscorp late last year to see if they could come up with some further information.”

Dubbo College learning centre coordinator Michelle Morrissey said the centre had helped 12 students pursue information about their families during the past three years. “Sometimes they are seeking the knowledge to complete school-based projects and sometimes they just want to know about their family history.

“We put them in touch with ntscorp which provides a free genealogy service while students are still at school. The ntscorp are able to work from the information we give them, even from nick names and towns families resided in. They are usually able to provide information including places of birth, other names, locations, occupations, and year of death and burial details.”

Senior historian with ntscorp Michael Bennett said the main role of the organisation was to assist with native title claims in NSW. “We are federally funded to help out with native title claims but we operate our genealogy service as a side line,” he said. “The NSW data base stores information about 60,000 Aboriginal people and is quite extensive covering the period back to the early to mid-1800s.”
# TERM 2: School Spirit

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**Careers News**

**Casual Jobs and Apprenticeships**
- Electrical Apprenticeship is being offered by a local switchboard building business.
- Target is looking for casual workers.
- Woolworths & Village Hot Bake seeking casual workers.

**Simulated UMAT Day**
Are you interested in medicine or Dentistry? Need to sit the UMAT? Then why not prepare with the Simulated UMAT Day offered by UMAT Australia. More information can be found at www.umataustralia.com.au or phone 1300 974 187.

**Work Experience**
Any students who are interested in undertaking work experience are encouraged to see careers. Work experience allows you to get a taste of what working in that role may be like and if it is for you!

**Reminders**
* Students who wish to make or update their resume are welcome to see careers.
* Get Real Yr 10 Assembly will be taking place 21st March @ 10am KBlock.
* Keep checking the boards outside Careers for more information.

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**M.A.D Driving Program**
For young drivers

at Dubbo Rescue Squad Headquarters from 6pm-9pm
186 Cobra Street Dubbo

BOOK YOUR PLACE NOW
Judy: 0420 570 740 or Ben: 0434 544 063

The program, targeted at young drivers, is set to bring home the consequences of reckless driving on the region's roads. The program would show young drivers that bad decisions could cost them not only their own lives, but also the lives of other road users. Presentation would be hosted by the Dubbo Rescue Squad, O'Mally Driving school and Dubbo Highway patrol unit during the night, young drivers could also take advantage of 'hands-on' activities such as using rescue equipment and vision impaired glasses and seeing Highway patrol devices in action.

This program is free but a donation to the Rescue Squad would be appreciated. Book now!!

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**Saver Plus**

**TERM ONE TO-DO LIST:**
- buy new shoes for Amy
- get football uniform for James
- find out more about Saver Plus!

Match your savings for school costs, dollar for dollar, up to $500. The Smith Family is looking for new participants in your local area.

You may be eligible if you or your partner have:
- a Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card
- a child at school or starting next year
- some regular income from work.

Contact John Edwards, your local Saver Plus Worker on 6881 8032 or john.edwards@thesmithfamily.com.au.

Saver Plus was developed by ANZ and the Brotherhood of St Laurence and is funded by ANZ and the Australian Government.

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2013 Dates
Wednesday 24 April
Wednesday 25 May
Wednesday 12 June
Wednesday 17 July
Wednesday 14 August
Wednesday 18 September
Wednesday 16 October
Wednesday 13 November

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Dear Parents

INVITATION

Dear Parents/Carers

You are invited to attend a parent/teacher evening between **4:00 pm and 6:00 pm on Tuesday 9 April 2013** so that you may discuss your child’s progress with his/her teachers. Interviews will be held in **K Block** (the Hall) at the Senior Campus. Students should please attend this meeting with you.

*Could you please ask your child to make appointment times for you to see his/her teachers on this evening.* These appointments may be recorded on the form below.

Yours faithfully

Debbie Head
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