



Lismore High School Newsletter

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Slip Stop Slap



Follow up from last week...

As a follow up to last week's newsletter, the pool is above ground as the slab has been laid. Mr Hair is taking great delight in watching the progress from his staff room. He will have to be careful with splashing and sun-screen application as the glare can be blinding!



Calendar Of Events

September

- 21st *Year 11 exams continue
*Interested Year 10 & 11 parents are invited to the Southern Cross University "Head Start" Information Meeting held at Invercauld House 6pm-7:30pm
*P & C meeting—7pm
- 22nd *Year 12 Farewell Assembly-10:15am
"Everyone Welcome"
- 23rd *Cubawee Community - excursion
*End of term 3

October

- 10th *Students first day term 4
*Year 11 Crossroad excursion
- 11th *Year 10 exams start
*Year 11 Crossroad excursion-cont
- 12th *Year 11 Crossroad excursion
- 17th *HSC exams start
- 18th *Year 11 into Year 12 Parent Information Evening-6:30pm-Library
- 19th *P & C meeting—7pm

Don't forget your

2011 Lens

\$25.00

To Be Paid By
This Friday

Principal's Report

This is the final Newsletter for Term 3 and I'm sure you are thinking very much like I am: where has the term gone? The Term really has flown along.



Year 11 Exams

This last two weeks has been jam packed as usual with activities across the school. Year 11 is in the middle of their Preliminary Completion Exams. These exams mark the end of Year 11 studies and herald the beginning of the HSC experience for these students and their families. As we usually do, students and parents will be involved in an "Induction to Year 12" early next term.

It is important that the new students and parents are fully aware of the rules and regulations for the HSC. Knowing what is required for the HSC, from day one, will ensure the next 12 months for both students and parents is as stress free as possible. Important dates are:

- **Yr 12 Parent Information Evening – Tuesday 18.10.11 6:30 – 7:30pm**
- **Yr 12 student preparation program - Tuesday 18.10.11**

Year 12 Farewell

The current Year 12 is winding up their last lesson this week with subject teachers. For them the school portion of their HSC year concludes with the Farewell Assembly on Thursday 29th September. Year 12 parents are invited to be part of this assembly and then are invited to a morning tea at its conclusion. This is always a special event and I look forward to a great day for all. After the departure from school the remaining time for students must be best spent in full time devotion to a strict study routine. I am often asked by students and parents "What is the best study plan I can put in place?" My answer is always for students during the day to follow their usual school timetable. This allows a student, if they feel it is needed, to contact the class teacher at school and know that they will be available for help. For an evening study program students should develop one that rotates through each subject and has a mix of:

- doing past HSC examinations
- developing mind maps
- course summaries or overviews

This will ensure students cover the full requirements for courses.

I advise students to access the Board of Studies web site <http://www.boardofstudies.nsw.edu.au/> the Charles Sturt University HSC site <http://hsc.csu.edu.au/> and www.boardofstudies.nsw.edu.au/hsc_exams/advice-line.html as starting points for their study program.

To all Year 12 – good luck in your studies and thank you for your hard work within the school this year.

Garden makeover



Visitors to the school in the last week would have noticed the changes to the front lawn and garden areas of the school. This area has been revamped after the recent P&C weekend working B and looks fantastic. The circular garden area has taken shape and we can now envisage what the finished project will look like. I thank all the parents, staff, students and members of the Southern Cross Presbyterian Church who helped at the working B.



Ex-student visit

Last Wednesday, the school had a visit from an ex student, Miriam Corowa. Miriam graduated in 1992 and has since then been working with the Australian Broadcasting Corporation as a journalist on such programs as Message Stick. She has recently begun a news reporting stint on ABC News 24. Miriam returned to talk to students and staff at our assembly and to congratulate Year 11 student, Keira Jenkins, who has received an ABC media scholarship. Miriam's visit was very uplifting for all concerned and I know that she wishes to make visits a more regular thing.



SCU Head Start

Finally, I invite interested Year 10 and Year 11 parents and students to come along to the Southern Cross University "Head Start" Information Evening this week. It is to be held at Invercauld House – Invercauld Rd, Goonellabah, from 6:00 to 7:30pm this Wednesday evening. The "Head Start" program commences in 2012 and is available to Yr 11 or Yr 12 students. This exciting program will allow students to begin a university degree course while still in high school. The courses will contribute to a number of university degrees and are at no cost to high school students in Public Schools.

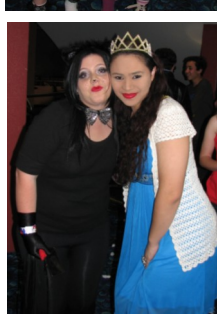
Please enjoy a well deserved vacation period and I look forward to seeing students and parents back for Term 4 on Monday October 10.

Cheers,

Peter Campbell-Principal



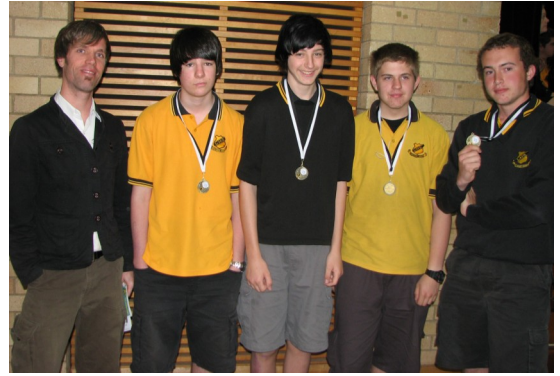
School Social Favourite Video Game / Movie / TV Character



Northern NSW Interschool Chess Champions!

On the 30th of August the Lismore High School Chess Team went to Emmanuel Anglican College in Ballina to compete in the 3rd and final round of the Interschool Chess Championships for 2011. Having done very well last year and at the first two rounds this year, I knew they had a great chance but they were also up against some stiff competition, including Trinity College, Kadina High School (the previous champions), Ballina High School, Casino High School, and Emmanuel College, as well as others.

They played very well throughout the day, with our top player, Ethan Conway, only losing one game. And finally when the results came in, they were the winners! Our team won 20 games -with the next closest being Xavier College at 17! We are now the top team in the Northern Rivers Gardner Competition, beating Trinity Catholic College, Kadina High School, Xavier College and even Byron Bay Steiner School. I am very proud of the boys and how far they have come since Year 7. They have worked hard and become truly great players. The team is Ethan Conway, Joe Healy, Mikeal-Alyn Stevenson, and Lachlan Wooley. Ethan and Joe got medals on the day for being two of the top players and yesterday we received the engraved winners medals for the whole team. Well Done Team!



Mr M Josse- Chaplain and Chess Co-ordinator

Working Bee



On Sunday 11th September we had a very successful working bee day where a lot of work was achieved in the school grounds. The weather was perfect and walking into the grounds Monday morning to see all the efforts of those people involved gave me a great sense of satisfaction. Without the support of all those involved – Deputies, teachers, students, parents and members of Southern Cross Presbyterian Church- the day would not have been such a success. The Church also provided us with a delightful array of home-baked goodies with morning tea. Craig Allen was our bob-cat man. Without him we also would not have achieved all that we did. So a huge 'thank you' to everyone involved for the time you gave up to help improve the environment of the school.

Mrs K Akers and Mr M Lindbergh- Coordinators

Australian Mathematics Competition—Results 2011

Lismore High School entered 13 students in this year's Australian Mathematics Competition. The results are as follows:

2 Distinctions (top 15% of candidates) - Mitchell Roberts (Yr 8) and Nicolle Godfrey (Yr 11)

5 Credits (top 35% of candidates) – Madison Little (Yr 7), Christian Evers (Yr 9), Tim Webster (Yr 9), Giselle Newton (Yr 11) and Sarah Wykes (Yr 12)

5 Proficiencies – Nicole Webster (Yr 7), Tahlecia Gallagher (Yr 8), Sacha Borowski-Davies (Yr 9), Joshua Eckersley (Yr 9) and Darby Johannssen (Yr 10)

Mr G Walters—Competition Organiser



Yr 12 Industrial Technology-Wood



Brenton Mouy –

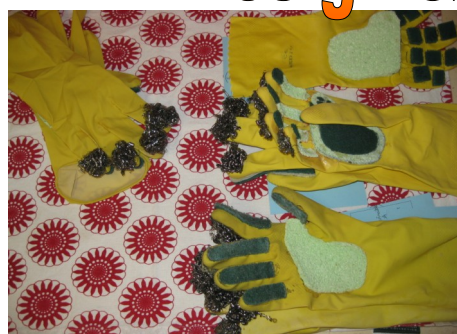
Industrial Technology-Timber Products and Furniture Industries

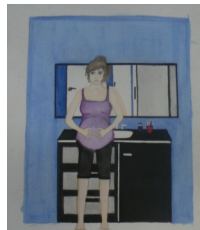
Brenton has put in a tremendous effort to produce a unique coffee table for his Year 12 Major Work. He has been very organised, starting the project in term 4 of Year 11 and finishing the job and folio with several days to spare, before the final due date. Brenton achieved this by having close to 100% attendance and sometimes working in his spare periods. He thoroughly deserves to be proud of this excellent achievement.

Mr J Hair-Industrial Arts Teacher

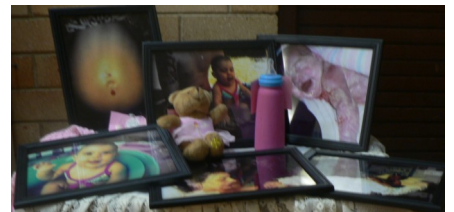
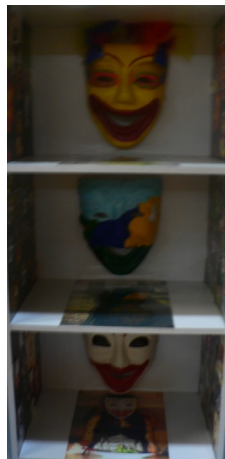
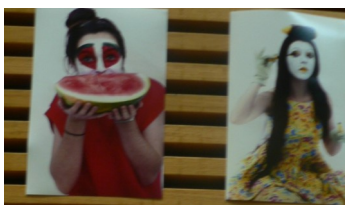
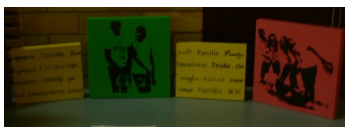
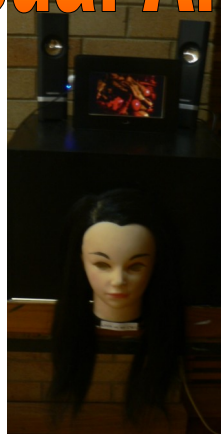


Yr 12 Design & Tech





Yr 12 Visual Arts



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Name:	_____
Year:	_____
Roll Call:	_____

Hand your solution to your Maths teacher or place it in the box in the Maths staff room by Friday 23rd September. The winner will be drawn on Monday 10th October and receive a \$5 voucher to spend at the canteen. Last Newsletter winner: No entries – no winner

Mr G Walters-Maths Faculty

LISMORE HIGH SCHOOL CANTEEN NEWS

*We need more
helpers. Become a
Canteen volunteer!*



- ð Join our happy and dedicated Canteen team
- ð No experience or special skills needed just helping hands and a smile
- ð Mums, Dads or family all welcome
- ð Volunteer at times and days to suit you. It may be a day a week or a day a month. Even an hour or two helps!
- ð Free morning tea & lunch
- ð Enjoy contributing to our school - your child is welcome to drop in to say hello at recess or lunch
- ð Make new friends
- ð You and your child will benefit from the great social support you will gain
- ð Our Canteen is one of the best on the Far North Coast with a great variety of food on the menu!

From your P&C Committee