

# Newsletter

## Blue Hills College

Where Christian Values Matter

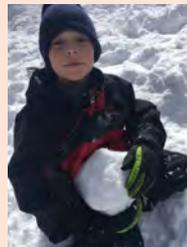
24 Aug 2017

### Calendar

- **HSC Trails**  
24 Aug - 31 Aug
- **Year 9 & 10 Geography Field Trip**  
30 Aug - 1 Sep
- **Father's Day Stall**  
30 Aug
- **Father's Primary Program**  
1 Sep
- **FATHER'S DAY**  
3 Sep
- **NCIS Netball**  
6 Sep
- **Pathfinder Camp**  
9 Sep— 10 Sep
- **Blaze Out**  
15 Sep
- **Yr 9 & 10 Work Experience**  
18 Sep—22 Sep
- **LAST Day of Term 3**  
22 Sep

### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE YEAR 5/6 CANBERRA EXCURSION

Canberra Campers - It looks like the students are enjoying the highlights of the Canberra Region. They have been to Parliament House and the usual Canberra highlights, but I suspect that yesterday's activities on the snow eclipsed all others. For some it will have been the first time to see snow and play in it. I notice a few of the pictures show snowballs being made... hmmm... I wonder what they were going to do with them.



### NAI DOC WEEK

On Tuesday, 15 August the Primary students celebrated Naidoc Day. We had a fantastic day doing a variety of fun activities. It was great to be able to celebrate the Aboriginal culture and learn many exciting traditions. The highlight of the day for many students was meeting Nina Dodd from the Pilbarra Region of Western Australia. She told us so many interesting facts about her heritage and how proud she is to be able to pass this tradition on to her 2 sons, Dante and Kypher who are part of our school, Here are some pictures of what the students did and what a great day was had by all.



### FATHER'S DAY STALL

Our annual Father's Day Stall will be held on Wednesday, 30 August in the Library. Gifts fathers and grandfathers, will range in price from \$2 to \$7.

# General News

## Year 3 STEM

Year 3 had fun discovering how to build a paper bridge using different designs and paper folds. This is all part of our new Science Program which incorporates Science, technology, engineering and maths.



## Primary Awards

Congratulations to these amazing students who participated in the annual ICAS tests. We are very proud of your accomplishments.



Also, congratulations to all our award recipients from this past week. Well done.

## Woolworths Earn & Learn

Now anyone can help our College earn amazing equipment. From parents, grandparents, neighbours and friends when you shop at Woolworths. You earn one sticker for every \$10 spent from 26 July to 19 September. Drop you stickers or completed sheets into our nominated box at Woolies Goonellabah, Lismore Square, Lismore Central and Ballina Fair or you can bring them into the College. Thank you for your support in this easy way of obtaining amazing equipment for the College.



## Year 4 Art Competition

At the end of Term 2 our Year 4's had the opportunity to enter an Art Competition run by Bytes Dental in Goonellabah and Ballina. Students created dental-themed posters which were submitted over the holidays.

From all entries received at the Goonellabah and Ballina surgeries, Thomas Contojohn was chosen as the overall winner in his age category. In addition, as part of Dental Health Week (August 7th-13th) the Northern Star published an article on Thursday 3rd August showcasing the finalists and winners.



Congratulations Thomas!

Mrs Carden

## Japanese Farewell

We waved goodbye to the Japanese students on Thursday morning. There was more than one or two tears being shed. After two weeks of having a Japanese student's as part of your home and family, there is sadness when they leave and by all accounts, the kids loved being part of our community. At school, we held a special ceremony and handed each student a take home pack. Students were given the opportunity to share their experiences. A huge thank you goes to Mrs Spence for once again organising this.



If you would like to put your name down early for next year to host a Japanese student, please contact her so she can take your name and number.



# General News

## Eisteddfod

Yesterday, the choir under the guidance of Mrs Parkinson and Mrs Carvill performed valiantly and achieved third place in the Primary School Choir Eisteddfod held in Lismore. Well done.



## NSW CIS Hockey

Abby Brunton was away from the 24th to the 28th of July playing for the NSW CIS Primary Girls Hockey team at the PSSA tournament.



## Year 3-6 Basketball

Years 3-6 are playing basketball for sport this term. Blue Hills College received a grant for a basketball coaching specialist to come and teach the upper primary. They have been having a ball with all the fun games and skills taught.



## Southern Cross University

**SCU STAR Early Entry** enables Year 12 students to gain early admission to Southern Cross University on the basis of their school Principal's recommendation. STAR Early Entry matches an individual student to a particular Southern Cross University course based on their likelihood of success in their chosen discipline. Applications for current Year 12 students are now open for study in 2018. For more information, please contact your Career Adviser or refer to [scu.edu.au/STAR](http://scu.edu.au/STAR)

## SCU Head-Start

SCU Head-Start provides an opportunity for Year 11 and 12 students (HSC or QCE) to gain direct entry and advanced standing into a variety of courses offered at Southern Cross University. Free from university fees, the program offers the chance to gain a taste of university life, stimulate your interest in academic pursuits and enhance your educational performance and long term aspirations.

The program has been designed for students who have the academic capability to succeed at university. Applicants are selected on merit, based on their academic performance, a personal statement and the recommendation of their Principal.

We are pleased to inform you that we had two of our BHC students that successfully completed their Head-Start course at SCU this year. We want to congratulate them and wish them all the best with their future studies. They are:- Bailey Merrit who did Communication in Organisations, and Aaron Hall who did Biology.



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## Self Defence — Hapkido

Starting on Monday, 12 June John Koronui will be holding classes for a type of Korean Marshall art called 'Hapkido' which teaches self defence, self confidence, and discipline. John has 20 years experience in Hapkido and will love to help anyone who is willing to learn self defence. The class will go for an hour from 3:30pm until 4:30pm and will be held at Blue Hills College in the MPC. For further information please contact John on 0409 142 704—Facebook page— jkhapkido.



## Important to check your emails

**As the majority of information relating to students is now done via email through Parent Paperwork, it is imperative that you check your emails daily.**

**Thank you for your cooperation.**

## Absenteeism

If your child is absent from school could you kindly email:  
[absentees@bluehills.nsw.edu.au](mailto:absentees@bluehills.nsw.edu.au)

OR

telephone the College on the day.

If this is not possible, please provide a note when your child returns. This will ensure our records are kept up-to-date.

## Singing Lessons for HS Students

Mr Doyle is providing singing lessons for secondary students in his free periods Mondays, Tuesdays or Wednesdays (depending on his timetable).

Costs: 30 minute lessons for \$30 single or group lessons (max 2) for \$15 each.

Call now to get singing! 0430 590 019 / 6681 5735 or email: [ddoyle@bluehills.nsw.edu.au](mailto:ddoyle@bluehills.nsw.edu.au)

**Meet your new singing coach:**

- **30 years of experience performing around Australia**
- **Bachelor of Music and Bachelor of Teaching from Melbourne University**
- **10 years of experience teaching singing to students of all ages.**

## Prayer List

At Blue Hills College, we believe in the power of prayer. Please contact us if you would like to share specific prayer requests with our staff. We ask you to join us in praying for specific individuals, both students and staff.

“Don't fret or worry. Instead of worrying, pray. Let petitions and praises shape your worries into prayers, letting God know your concerns. Before you know it, a sense of God's wholeness, everything coming together for good, will come and settle you down. It's wonderful what happens when Christ displaces worry at the center of your life.” *(Phil 4:6-7, MSG)*

28 Aug	Siyana Towhid	4 Sep	April Hall
	Fraser Wright		Luke Koronui
29 Aug	Martin Barca	5 Sep	Annabella McNamara
	Cameron Clapham		Bronti O'Mullane
30 Aug	Julian Compton	6 Sep	Harley Parkinson
	Charlotte Daniel		Jade Ramsay
31 Au	Cooper Dendle	7 Sep	Jonah Rapmund
	Toby Devine		Liam Sekulic
1 Sep	Johnathon Foster	8 Sep	Angus Slater
	Declan Frankham		Lilly Smith
Staff	Allison Parkinson	Staff	Julie Jackson
	Maryanne Coppock		Tony Coombs

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