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Hay War Memorial High School

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Term 1 — Week 8
March 20, 2014

NSW Health visit today

Touch football
Congratulations to all our students who played touch football on Wednesday. All the players demonstrated the ability of fair play and a determination to play to the best of their ability. Our girls won two out of three games and the boys won all three games — with a tough last game against Finley High school.

What your kids want from you
They might not tell you directly, but your child wants your attention. The amount of time that he/she spends with you is very, very small—generally less than fifteen minutes each day. So, what can you do to get more time with your kids?

They want your attention—totally and fully. They don’t want to try talking to you when you are reading, watching TV, or checking your e-mail. You’ve given your full attention to others all day, and your children know that. That is why they want your attention—now. Turn off the TV and computer and put the newspaper down. Look them in the eyes, and let them talk to you.

They want to do something with you. Take them outside to throw the frisbee; walk, jog or ride bikes around the block. Make dinner together or bake a treat for a neighbour. Loosen up and enjoy being with each other. This is often the moment when that heart-to-heart talk you’ve been wanting to have will magically occur.

P&C AGM tonight
March 20
7.30pm
Staff Room

P&C meetings provide a forum in which parents can develop a partnership with the school, learn about the activities at the school, raise concerns and have input into the decisions affecting their children.

The P&C encourage and invite all parents, guardians and citizens of the community to come along, be involved, help improve our wonderful school and stay up to date with all that is happening at HWMHS.

School social
Thursday
April 3
Theme is ‘The 80s’
7—10pm
Cost $3.00

For so much what shall we repay?
They want to know what you think — about them, life in general, and their prospects for their future. They want to talk about what they see, hear, and experience in the rest of their lives. Talk with them about their thoughts and yours. Read together. Pass along articles from newspapers and magazines that interest you; they will be interested, too.

Mr Y Chambers, Principal.

School social with Miss Lee Chin
The school social for Term 1 will be held on Thursday 3rd April in the Spirit of Anzac Centre. The theme is ‘the 80s’ and it will run from 7pm-10pm. Tickets will be sold from the 20th March till the 1st April at recess and lunch by the SRC members. Please be aware that there will be a smoke machine at the social and that there will also be loud music!

Conducting investigations in science
Senior Science Preliminary course students are required to do some investigations by following a sequence of instructions and analyse the data collected. Last week as part of our topic plants, student did a “flame test” to determine the elements present in different types of fertilisers. We observed different colors, yellow for sodium, red for calcium and green for copper.

Senior science students also finished their practical test this week and Mrs Porter is pleased with their achievements. Science staff are busy organising for practical investigations, student research projects and assessment tasks for stage 4, 5 and 6 students. Our laboratory is very busy at this time and thanks to Mrs Sue Schneider for helping us with our equipment and lab orders. We also welcome Miss Cassandra Smyth to our science faculty.

Mrs Madan, Head Teacher Science

Visual Arts report, Term 1
Students in Visual Arts and Senior Photography are doing very well at the moment with lots of artmaking to be had throughout Term 1.

Senior Photography students have completed two modules of class work (Aesthetics in Photography and Genres of Photography). Now they are working towards their final term of work in a module called ‘Manipulated Forms’. They are learning to create meaning with layering different photographs in Photoshop and to use photographic equipment such as reflectors. They are improving their use of the camera as a technical and creative instrument.

9/10 Visual Arts have finished a unit of work on Architecture in Australia and have moved onto Lino Printing inspired by Australian printmaker, Margaret Preston. They have produced some beautiful prints so far. They are learning about editions and limited editions. Many students are excited about swapping prints and experimenting with the many different printing inks available to them.

7/8 Visual Arts have been looking at Still Life in their unit of work for Term 1 and are enjoying experimenting with different art materials such as oil pastels, watercolours, chalk pastels, collage and charcoal. They have created some beautiful mixed media artworks based on an inanimate object found in the classroom. Year 7 in particular have settled into art classes quite soundly.

We have had many students enter material into the Hay Youth Week Photography and Video Competitions which is fantastic to see.

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HSIE News
As reported last week Preliminary Business Studies have submitted their final assessment task save the preliminary exam.

The planning task was well done. Students were required to propose and submit a business plan to take up a vacant position in a shopping centre. A business plan consists of Business name, Legal Structure, Vision, Business Goals, Situational Analysis, Operations, Marketing, Finance, Human Resources, Forecasting and Benefits to the shopping centre.

Some examples of the task include:
Saskia Harris planned to open a women’s fitness centre.
Madeline Headon continued her excellent work in Business Studies with a shabby to chic furniture and décor centre.
Peter Hedt demonstrated an innovative project entitled Stargazing on the Hay Plains. Perhaps a business venture the local tourism industry might entertain.
Sophie Stephens promoted a dress shop called Eyes on You which was an online boutique of women’s retail fashion.
Hannah Slattery continues to impress with her specialist bridal boutique which was well researched.

Students are now revising for the preliminary exam in Week 11. Strong consolidation of preliminary content always stands students in good stead for their HSC studies.

Senior Hospitality Work Placements with Mrs I Jackson
Over the past two weeks many students from our Senior Hospitality class have been out in the community completing the first half of their work placement hours. We have been covering hygiene, safety, working effectively and a café stream of units.

Several of our students have been able to claim Recognition for Prior Learning (RPL) as they already work in the industry.

Thank you to all of the businesses who have taken students for their work placements. I know it is a big job to train new staff and supervise them during their time in the industry. For this block students have been placed at Hay Days, Trelors’ Café, Hay Public School Canteen, Hay War Memorial High School Canteen, Robertsons Hot Bread Kitchen, Havachat Café, Mobil Café and Shear Outback Café. Some of these work places took two students.

It has been a valuable experience for our students to put into practice what they have learned in class. Some comments from employers include: “He has found his calling,” and “He is such a hard worker, nothing is too much trouble.”

Our students will complete their second and final work placements in Week 6 of Term 2 and so need to be thinking about where they would like to go. Barista skills, preparation of non-alcoholic beverages, waiting, processing orders and café style food production will need to be practiced on work placements.

A reminder that Hospitality T-shirts need to be ordered and paid for ($30) ASAP. This embroidered black polo shirt will become half of the uniform for Hospitality (along with borrowed checkered chefs pants from the Hospitality Department) for the rest of the year. Extra notes are available at the front office.
**CSU News**

Below is a table of the CSU My Days for this year to help students and parents plan visits. More information and registration is available at the web site http://www.csu.edu.au/go/myday or from Ms McNally.

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**Touch Football Gala Day**

Hay hosted the Western Division Touch Football with Balranald, Finley and Deniliquin competing in a round robin carnival.

The Hay girls’ team consisted of:- Jessie Harrington, Emily Payne, Hannah McGufficke, Georgia Booth, Ebony Crighton, Ruby Stewart, Hannah Stewart, Erin Shalders, Ellie Hicks, Helen Cai, and Lauren Mijok.

The Hay War Memorial High School open boys touch football team, were the overall winners on the day with three strong victories over Finley, Deniliquin and Balranald. Best and fairest players over the three games went to Toby Crighton and Jacob Watkin.

The girls had two strong wins over Deniliquin and Balranald but were unfortunate to lose to Finley. Best and fairest players over the three games were Emily Payne, Hannah McGufficke and Ebony Crighton.

The school would like to thank Jake Whitehead who assisted with umpiring on the day.
The local Cubs & Scouts group urgently requires leaders!

Without leaders, Cubs and Scouts in Hay is in danger of folding after eighty proud years of community involvement.

Scouting is a much loved Australian institution that teaches young people valuable lessons and develops skills that will help them through later life. To be able to continue providing quality Cubs and Scouts, we do need more new leaders - there is some good news - we currently have Cubs up and running with a leader and some parent assistance.

If anyone is interested in seeing Cubs and Scouts survive and would like to become a leader please contact Liz on 0412 085 675 or Betty on 0417 180 478. Remember fun is guaranteed and you will get full support – so become a Scout Leader today!