PRINCIPAL’S REPORT

ONLINE COMMUNICATION

This is another friendly reminder to take advantage of our online communication tools. You can choose to receive copies of the School Matters bulletin in two ways:

- download our free School Stream app from either the iTunes app store or Google Play to receive a copy as soon as it is released, or
- visit the school website and download it from the home page each Monday. (Full instructions are on the back page of this newsletter)

Beginning term four, the school will no longer distribute School Matters to students in class. We will always be able to provide hard copies to families on request, but I encourage everyone to opt for the electronic version if possible. Not only is it prompt and convenient, it saves considerable money and paper, both valuable resources.

In addition to School Matters, you can also “like” the school on Facebook, and access reports, attendance records and other information through our Parent Portal (contact the office for details).

SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE AND SUPPORT STAFF

Teachers are not the only staff responsible for successful delivery of quality education at our school. Our school administrative and support staff (SASS) deserve to be recognised for their contribution. Parents are mostly familiar with our front office staff who answer the phones and deal with enquiries in person. We also have SASS working in the library, the canteen, regular classrooms, computer labs, Science labs, the Ag plot and around the grounds. They look after ill or injured students; manage the complex finances of the entire school; assist students with special needs; provide technology support for teachers and students; and, last but not least, allow teachers to focus on teaching.

Even a list as diverse as this does not do their roles justice. The school would simply fail to function without them. To top it off, our SASS do their jobs efficiently and with a smile. We are lucky to have them.

HSC EXAMINATIONS

As the Trial HSC examinations draw to a close, some may have overlooked that actual HSC examinations in our courses have already commenced. The first practical examination held each year tends to be Dance. Our Year 12 Dance students completed their performances two weeks ago with the able assistance of several younger students. Paris Rashleigh, Brodie Smith, Lily Attwood and Samantha Gadsby made a long term commitment to their HSC partners and gave up considerable time to help them achieve the best possible results. Well done to all and good luck to Music students who will perform next week.

Gregory McDonald
Relieving Principal
## What's On Term 3

### Week 8
- **All Week**: HSC Trials
- **Wed 2 Sept**: Year 11 Society & Culture Intercultural excursion
- **Thur 3 Sept**: School Social
- **Fri 4 Sept**: Legacy Day
- **Fri 4 Sept**: SRC Fundraising “Orange Day” mufti

### Week 9
- **All Week**: Year 11 Preliminary Exams
- **Fri 11 Sept**: Zone Surfing Eden
- **Fri 11 Sept**: u15s Girls Basketball
- **Fri 11 Sept**: HSC Math Lectures Moruya HS

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### Student Achievement

**Kevin O’Kelly Year 11**

Kevin recently sang and played guitar with Jared Ryan for the Fast and Fresh drama performance in front of over 100 principals at a primary schools conference. It was quite a nerve-wracking experience, but he acquitted himself well. Kevin also works behinds the scenes with the audio-visual production of school assemblies and acts as DJ at school events.

*Well done Kevin*

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### A Huge Thank You

To all of those who have donated to our Operation Christmas Child project, thank you! We have started to pack some boxes. We would love further donations especially of clothing items and stuffed toys (all new) and shoe boxes.

Our red and green donation box is in the front office.

*Thank you!!*
Our group with Tyson, Stephen and Zeb have been going to the Ag plot to garden. We have established a vegetable garden by preparing the garden beds to be ready for the seeds and seedlings.

Now we have planted seeds and seedlings in three garden beds. In the first bed we have leeks, spinach and silver beet. In the second bed we have lettuce, beans and one leek. In the third bed we have sunflowers, marigolds and nasturtiums. We put marigolds on each side of the second garden bed to keep the insects away. Later on we are putting potatoes and watermelons in a fourth and fifth garden bed.

Now we water the plants and weed them every day. When everything has grown we are going to harvest them and take them home to eat.

By Tyson Perring, Stephen Bailey, Zeb Vidler
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