

COLLEGE NEWS



FROM THE DIRECTOR

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We are nearing the end of another eventful year. There is always a lot to celebrate and this edition of *College News* contains information on student and staff awards.

The new Year 12 cohort is settling in well and many are completing their first assessment tasks. At the recent HSC Parent Support Evening a small group of parents heard about the HSC assessment and reporting requirements, moderation and disability provisions information. It was decided that due to the small numbers of participants that information sheets will be prepared on pertinent topics and emailed to parents when appropriate. A new section for parents will also be created on the school website. It has also been suggested that these evenings be replaced with a meet the Director and Assistant Director each term from 5-6pm in A.1.27. Your thoughts on this proposal would be greatly appreciated. Please email: coffsharbs-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au

I hope the remainder of the term goes well for you and that you have a wonderful summer break. I look forward to learning with you again in 2018.

Warm regards

Dianne Marshall PSM

WORLD TEACHERS' DAY AWARDS

Each year two teachers from the senior college are nominated to receive a World Teachers' Day Award sponsored by the Australian College of Educators. This year the award ceremony was held at CHEC and the college is pleased to announce that Maureen Linsley and Lee Stafford were our recipients. Congratulations!



YEAR 11 MAJOR AWARD RECIPIENTS

Academic Excellence	Natasha Newman
Academic Awards	Emma Reulein
	Esmaeel Arab
	Aleisha Bradbury
	Emma Brear
	Danika Elley
	Jamila Grace
	Mathias Kovendy
	Cailey Mitchell
	Sharon Rogl
	Charnita Saunders
	Malina Smith
	Jayden Whaites-Fruitrich
	Jessica Zullo
Academic Encouragement	Alvaro Alonso
Creative Aptitude Award	Lilly Robins
STEM Award	Natasha Newman
Vocational Education Award	Emma Brear
	Bridie Hall
McDonalds Award	Jacob Vickery
Commitment Awards	Tom Berger
	Gabriel Diallo
	Logan Hacking
	Natasha Newman
	Aidan Wallace
Citizenship Award	Harry O'Brien-Smith
Involvement Awards	Maddi Allen
	Sophie Cameron
	Emma Reulein
Quota Award	Jeshua Edwards
CHEC Award	Sharon Rogl
Legacy Award	Jamila Grace
Rotary Award for Service	Jayden Whaites-Fruitrich
Director Awards	Stella Corlett
	Lilli Fogarty
	Grace Harre
	Cailey Mitchell
	Charnita Saunders
	Tegan Sroyphet
	Luana Steinbeck
	Paloma Terrades
	Nichola Yarnold
Sportsperson	Aidan Wallace
Sports Award with Distinction	Holly Dummer
	Aidan Joseph
	Clay Watters-Campbell

CONGRATULATIONS!



LIONS PACIFIC CITY CLUB YOUTH OF THE YEAR: COFFS HARBOUR SENIOR COLLEGE – WINNERS!!

Pictured left to right: Harry O'Brien-Smith (Overall winner), Jayden Waites, Cameron O'Conner, Jamila Grace (Public Speaker Winner)

Recently four students from Coffs Harbour Senior College participated in the Coffs Harbour Pacific City Lions Youth of the Year Competition at the Coffs Harbour Golf Club. All four students performed admirably and were outstanding representatives. I would like to thank Harry, Jamila, Kira, Cameron and Jayden for their willingness to be involved in this event. They represented the College with pride.

We as a College community are proud to share with you the success of Harry O'Brien-Smith who was announced the Overall Regional winner for Lion Youth of the Year for 2017. He now has the opportunity to compete in the District Finals in February 2018. The competition scores individuals in a range of areas with regards to public speaking, interviewing techniques, community involvement, personality, general knowledge and academic achievement. A tough gig all round.

Jamila Grace was also awarded a prize for the Public Speaking component of the competition on the evening with her passionate presentation on the 'value of arts and the creative subjects in education'.

Stephen Campbell the organiser of the event in Coffs commented and congratulated all contestants on their high calibre of their speeches on the evening, both impromptu's and prepared.

Well done Coffs Harbour Senior College.

ZONTA

Each year Zonta run an awards program which enables young women to demonstrate their commitment to make a difference in the world. The Young Women in Public Affairs (YWPA) Awards program recognizes young women for their demonstrated leadership skills and commitment to public service and civic causes and encourages them to continue their participation in public and political life.

Coffs Harbour Senior College would like to acknowledge the participation in this event of **Maddi Allen**. This year's event involved asked the girls to focus their speech on a woman who they would most like to have dinner with. Maddi chose Grace O'Malley an Irish pirate from the mid-16th century. Her speech was very well received and it was noted that she was the only entrant that had chosen a person who was no longer alive and was congratulated for thinking outside the box.

Well done Maddi.

Pictured: Maddi Allen





BEACH VOLLEYBALL REPORT

Coffs Harbour Senior College recently participated in the CHS Beach Volleyball Competition. The team only just missed on getting into the finals being knocked out in the round before in a very close contest. Grinners aren't always the 'winners' but smiles on the girls beach volleyball team says otherwise. Well done girls!

Pictured: the winning girls' team.

Maria Priori

ABORIGINAL STUDIES CONFERENCE UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY DECEMBER 8 2017



The University of Sydney and the Aboriginal Studies Association of NSW has invited Caitlin Stuart and Charlie Bellemore to present to schools from around NSW at the Aboriginal Studies Conference. Caitlin was one of the Year 12 Aboriginal Studies students who has recently completed her HSC and has been asked to talk to Year 12 students about her Major Project and the process it took to complete her research, logbook and interviews with people from the local Aboriginal community. She will be convening a number of student workshops during the day and is just reward for her efforts shown during her HSC year.

Charlie Bellemore

CORE HISTORY STUDY DAY FRIDAY DECEMBER 1, 2017

On Friday December 1, 2017 the Core History Study Day will be held with Dr Paul Kiem and Dr Denis Mootz presenting for Modern and Ancient History respectively. Both historians have published extensively and are HSC markers. Their textbooks are used throughout NSW and they are both informative and engaging speakers. The cost of the day will be \$35 payable at the Administration.

The Study Day will be held in D Theatre with the Modern History seminar in Upper D Theatre and Ancient History Seminar will be held in Lower D Theatre. The day will commence at 9.30am and conclude around 2.45pm. There will be students from over 40 schools in attendance, so it is important to pay promptly to secure your seat for the day. For further details contact Charlie Bellemore 66593371, Teresa Welsh 66593356 or Jon hart 66593117.



Charlie Bellemore

CAREERS

University entry 2018

HSC results are available on Thursday 14/12/17. These can be accessed through

<http://studentonline.nesa.nsw.edu.au/>

The ATAR is released by UAC on Friday 15/12/17.

For the first time, UAC will release main round offers on the 21/12/17. Change of preferences for this round must be made by Sunday 17/12/17.

If students are unsure of the processes to follow, they need to see me at school on Friday 15/12/17.

Career Advisory Service

The Department of Education will be offering an online and hotline service from the 18-20 December to help also answer students questions. If you need advice on course choices, employment opportunities, career pathways and training options please make use of this service on

1300 300 687 or www.cas.det.nsw.edu.au

Senior college careers website

Just a reminder to make sure you are accessing and using the school careers website during the holiday break.

Plenty of information can be found on this website, and a weekly newsletter with upcoming events and opportunities, is posted here regularly. <http://seniorcollegecareers.com/>

Lynda Shrubbs

Ryan Grace recently entered the Write 4 Fun Schools short story and poetry competition. The 2017 Schools Short Story and Poetry competition was held throughout Australia and over 10 000 entries were received. Only fifteen poems and fifteen short stories were chosen as Finalists His story will be published in the 'Write Here Write Now' publication released in March 2018. A complimentary copy will be awarded to the school. Congratulations to Ryan for his initiative and successful entry.

Lee Stafford

RHYTHM OF UNIFORMITY

Left. Right. Left. Right. Listen to the rhythm of uniformity. Can you hear the beat of the march? Everyone, everywhere, perfect timing, perfect spacing, all heading to a destination of similar occupation. An occupation that adds more to the beat. The sounds of paperwork simultaneously being filled in and filed. The sound of the same numbers being calculated and presented, the sound of students with pen on paper taking the same notes from the same lecture. Left. Right. Left. Right. Boom. Boom. Boom. Wake. Work. Sleep. Wake. Work. Sleep. The never-ending repetition of so called perfection. There are rules to follow, so many rules, to make sure everyone is the same. The same clothes, the same equipment, the same person. No individuality. No independence. No freedom. Specific designation over everything that is you, as well as all the others. For a nation to be truly perfect, all must be far better than equal, all must be one.

During a designated sustenance break, a teenaged boy of empowering stature and appearance, notices a wild looking girl completely out of order. Confused by this abnormality he gets up and cautiously approaches. As he gets closer he becomes aware of how enticing this abnormality is. Long wild red hair curling all over the place and a soft petite build. Continuing to look out into the distance she sighs in a soothing tone.

"It gets boring doesn't it" the boy being unprepared for the situation seizes up, so she continues.

"I mean the beat our society creates, it's always the same." She finally turns to see him and notices his attire. Both wearing the same white button up shirt and the same black pants. His being tidy, neat and clean. The shirt tucked in and not a wrinkle with in sight. Hers being an atrocity, shirt untucked, appearing to be made of wrinkles and stained with all the colours of nature.

"Oh, you haven't noticed then have you?" She asks almost pitifully.

"No—noticed what?"

She pauses wearing a quizzical expression.

"Alright come to me but don't tell me when you start." She then turns on her heel and walks about ten meters away. Too intrigued by this girl the boy decides to follow her instructions. He waits for a bit then follows. As he approaches he can hear her muttering rhythmically. Closer still and he hears

"Left. Right. Left. Right." In time with his own pace. The girl opens her eyes and smiles at his puzzled expression.

"Take a good look around, can you see it?" Slowly looking around it dawned on him how uniform everything truly is. The rest of his classmates sitting in a perfect grid, moving as one, they simultaneously stand, pick up their bags, and head back towards class. The girl whispers in his ear with slight malice, almost aggressive tone.

"Listen to the rhythm of uniformity. Can you, hear the beat of the march?"

Ryan Grace

IT'S OVER AT LAST

GET TOGETHER FOR YEAR 12

MONDAY 18 DECEMBER

After the results come out, let's all meet to share the relief that it finally IS FINISHED!!

Bacon and eggs cooked by staff at the campus near the Osprey Restaurant.

Look forward to seeing you all.

10.00 am 'til 12.00 noon

IMPORTANT COLLEGE DATES

TERM 4:

8 December – Senior History Study Day, CHEC

11 December – Orientation for 2018 Year 11 students, 11am D Theatre

15 December – Release of HSC results

15 December – Last day of term for students

18 December – Year 12 Get Together, 10am, lawn area outside Osprey Restaurant

18-19 December – Staff Development Days

19 December – Last day of term for staff

TERM 1 – 2018:

29 January – First day for staff

30 January – Day 1 for Year 11 students, 9am, D Theatre

31 January – Day 1 for Year 12 students, 9am student meeting in D Theatre

19-21 February – Year 11 Wellbeing Program including Colours Day [20 Feb]

6 March – Year 11 Parent Support and Social Evening, 6.30pm, D Theatre

The complete college calendar is available at www.seniorcollege.com.au