House Spirit Day brings students together

Myanba nudges out Rockton and Nalbaugh in fun-filled activity day

Last Friday saw all students engage in a day of fun and activities, designed not just to reward our students for a great year, but to encourage team building and mateship.

After a rainy start to the day, the sun came out and allowed the students to head to the pool for novelty events like the human ladder, water bomb throwing, noodle races and a hole/pipe relay.
Coby Robinson took out the pin drop competition and the bomb competition was convincingly won by Adam Rodwell.

On return to school at lunchtime the students broke into groups to play league tag, volleyball and netball, all competing to win extra points for their house. This was followed by a BBQ lunch that was provided by the school, and everyone was very well fed.

After lunch the students’ local and national knowledge was tested in a trivia session that was very well organised by the students of Year 11.

Great prizes were on offer and all students got into the spirit of the afternoon.

Prizes and recognitions went to:

**Best Netball Participants**
Jack Camp & Teri Roberson

**Best Oz Tag Participants**
Joey Reed & Shinaya Rose-Humphreys

**Best Volleyball Participants**
Jess Herron & Noah Coles

**$50 Shopping Vouchers**
Ryley Lewis & Shakiira Russell

**$20 iTunes Vouchers**
Chloe Wilson & Jordan Rosten
Molly Badewitz & Blake Stevenson
Jayden Robinson & Keiarna Rodwell
Joey Reed & Makayla Staden
Renee Ingram & Bailey Jones

The staff would like to thank all students for really getting into the spirit of the day and extend a special thank you to Year 11 for their invaluable assistance with the trivia afternoon and their willingness to get in and have a go.

Emma Sullivan

**Years 7, 9 & 10 show their skill with ceramics**

‘My pot didn’t turn out like I expected but I really like it’ - Ryley

‘My pot looks better than what I was expecting’ - Claudia

‘I like the way the black glaze ran on to the green’ - Sam
**Ebony Ingram**

**The Science of Christmas**

During the last few weeks of term, Year 12 Chemistry have been studying ethanol and the production of the substance. This involves several processes, including the setup of the experiment. Lachlan and I gathered the idea to make a display for the science labs to shed light on Christmas cheer by making a Christmas tree from a simple science experiment. We were very pleased with the result.

Ebony Ingram

**What I’ll miss about Bombala High**

‘I have really enjoyed the past year at Bombala High and have met a lot of new people who have become my best friends. I have learnt a lot and will miss everyone dearly.’

**Brahnie Mitchell**

Year 7

‘Being at Bombala High for the past year has been a very positive and special year filled with lots of memories. I have made wonderful friends that I know will be friends forever, so I’m not going to miss them because I will be seeing them again. I will miss being a student at Bombala High and being in all the classes, especially woodwork with Mr Herron.’

**Mercadez Rose-Humphreys**

Year 7

‘I’ll miss the friendly staff that I feel genuinely care about the students, the great opportunities to do things like the Bournda excursion, the swimming carnival day and many other sporting activities. Above all, I’ll miss my friends and the great family atmosphere of the school. I’ve only been at this school for two years yet it already feels like home. Thanks to everyone who made the last two years a blast, I’ll miss you all.’

**Miriam Stewart**

Year 8

‘What I will miss about Bombala High is mostly my wonderful friends that I have made here. They have made my time here at this school the best it can be. Coming to this school I have had new experiences such as Agriculture and Melbourne Cup Day. I am truly going to miss Bombala High.’

**Shinaya Rose-Humphreys**

Year 9

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**Absence notification changes coming in 2015**

Parents and guardians are advised that from 28 January 2015 there will only be a seven (7) day window to explain your child’s absence from school.

If an absence remains unexplained after seven days it will remain unjustified permanently.

No changes will be permitted to be made. This is Department of Education policy.

Please phone the school on the day of your child’s absence, email or send an SMS to 0408 479 667

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**Awards Day celebration**

Come and join us in a celebration of our students achievements in 2014.

**Wednesday 17 December**

**Multi-Purpose Hall**

12:30pm.

Afternoon tea will be served in the school canteen at the conclusion of the ceremony.

We look forward to seeing parents and family attend this special afternoon,

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**Canteen closure**

Parents please be advised that the school canteen will not operate in 2015.

Unfortunately, we didn’t receive any tenders.

We will let you know if anything changes next year.

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28 January

1st day of school- Yrs 7,11 and 12

29 January

1st day of school-Yrs 8,9 and 10

5 February

Swimming carnival
Senior Studies Vocational (SSV)

In preparation for SSV in 2015 our students have been redesigning our classroom to reflect a more workplace orientated environment. Out has gone the traditional classroom furniture and teacher’s desk and in have come personal work spaces which students and teachers will be able to personalise. We also have a planning circle in the middle of the room when we need to plan as a group and set goals for either the day or the week. We will also check in and out daily in the circle to reflect on our achievements based on the Stronger Smarter Institute ideals to encourage personal best conversations. Our next job is to paint the walls with whiteboard paint so that we can keep a visual record of our work and ideas on a weekly basis. Bring on 2015 SSV!!

Postie bike progress

Last week, ex-student, Jake McKinnon, paid us a visit to help us start our postie bike conversion project. He gave us some valuable ideas about what we need to do first in order to meet our brief from Kim Farrow at Bombala Council. SSV students would like to thank Jake for giving up his time to pass on his expertise and give us a hand.

Getting to know 2015 Year 7 students

Marcus Campbell

His favourite TV show is Big Bang Theory. Marcus likes hip hop and country music. When he leaves school he would like to be an engineer or architect.

Rowan Keavey

His favourite food is chips. Rowan likes to play soccer, basketball, crocket and AFL. ‘Godzilla’ is his favourite TV show.

Brendan McCulloch

Brendan likes drawing. He is excited about high school and seeing his cousins. Brendan is a good softball player and likes playing on computers.