Bringing the year to a close with a ‘Big Day Out’ at Magic Mountain

Every student recognised for striving to meet school values

Last Tuesday, all students arrived at school keen for a ‘Big Day Out’ at Magic Mountain in Merimbula. The trip was a fully funded welfare day in recognition of the students’ adherence to our school values of Personal Best, Respect and Responsibility during 2015.

Throughout the day all staff and students were involved in a range of activities including water slides, putt-putt golf, go-karts, a rollercoaster and the Tree Climb Challenge.

The rope climbs were certainly challenging but proved an achievable goal for many staff and students, with 77 attacking either one of, or all three, of the different courses.

Although the weather was not the best, everyone still had an amazing time, with enormous smiles all round and quite a few students doing something they didn’t think they were capable of.

Once again our students were wonderful ambassadors for our school, representing us with great pride.

We arrived home at around 5.30pm, exhausted yet exhilarated. We thank the staff at Magic Mountain and the Tree Climb Challenge for looking after us so well and we look forward to providing further experiences of this kind for our students and staff in 2016.

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‘Big Day Out’ Photo Gallery

Jordan Rosten leads Sam Power and Tim McGrath.

Ms Deighton puts her trust in Brendan McCulloch while Jack Cuzner is super focused.

Our senior students getting the safety talk from Dan, the Tree Climb guru, with one of the climbing challenges in the background.

Felicity Boreham, Mackenzie Phillips, Briaanna Hepburn, Tayla Ventry and Jemma Boreham...ready to climb!

Simon Till braces for splash down.

Mr Jones, Mr Challman, Jade Newman & Kayley Keavey tackle the rollercoaster.

Chance Westaway, Brady Jones, Reagan Hurley, Bryson Philip-Jones and Lane Stevenson.

Brendan McCulloch and Billy Hines watch Jack Camp try and find his way out of the wet.
Dylan Robinson chooses a fast sled.

Georgia Rogers, Katie Farrell, Chloe Wilson and Storm Worley ride the coaster, followed by Ms Mattock.

Keiarna Rodwell and Kayla Hall feel the need for speed!

Emma Bartle looks at home on the water slide.

Josie Reed, Makayla Standen, Mozes Olsen and Alex Rosten riding the rails.

Jess Herron and Lahiesha Gulliford take Number 9 for a spin.

Mozes Olsen climbs into the trees.

Janine Jamieson just hanging around...

Mr Lyons sticks a landing...no!

Right: Ben Lomas enjoys the flying fox.

Left: Brady Jones and Bryson Phillips-Jones are good to go.
Thank you from the Agriculture Department

This year has been a productive one in the Agriculture Department raising 45 crossbred lambs, 40 or so chickens and growing numerous delicious vegetables. There are some very generous people that I have to thank for the success of these projects this year.

Thank you to the Bombala Preschool and Peter and Julie Cotterill for their assistance in caring for the lambs when they were grazing the preschool paddock. Thank you to Doug Peadon for allowing us to graze our wethers in his paddock joining the Ag Plot. Thank you to Chrissy Phillips, Mackenzie Phillips and Donna Shelley for caring for the lambs while grazing in their paddock. Thank you to the Brownlie and Boreham families for their assistance in shearing our sheep earlier in the year and to the Brownlie family for the use of transport vehicles for stock movements and their sheep dog for mustering. Thank you to the Cuzner family for lending the Agriculture Department 2 of their roosters so we could have some fertilized eggs to incubate. Thank you to the Moreing family for lending their stock trailer throughout the year. Thank you to Garry Ingram for delivering equipment, helping with shearing and assisting with lamb marking. Thank you to Patrice and Clay Clear for assisting and offering advice on cropping and stock movements. Thank you to Landmark Bombala for their assistance with materials, and the sales of the sheep. A big thank you goes to Peter Braden and Colin Ryan for their continued assistance and support of all the operations on the School Farm.

All of the people mentioned along with the staff and students of Bombala High School have made the School Farm a success this year. I am very humbled by all those people that have offered assistance and I look forward to continuing these relationships into the future.

Maree Coates

Year 9/10 Visual Arts Gallery Visit

On Wednesday 25th November the Year 9/10 Art class visited the Beaver Gallery and National Gallery of Australia in Canberra. The students viewed works on exhibition at the Beaver Gallery by renowned cartoonist Judy Horacek and glassworks by Peter Crisp. The boutique gallery gave students the opportunity to view artworks in an intimate environment as a novice audience.

At the National Gallery of Australia students were able to view artworks by artists that they have studied throughout the year such as Fiona Foley, Rover Thomas and Sidney Nolan. A special treat was seeing ‘Les fleurs dédaignées’ by Hilda Rix Nicholas who married Edgar Wright and lived at ‘Knockalong’ near Delegate, almost a local artist.

I would like to thank the students that attended for conducting themselves in a polite and respectful manner. They were a pleasure to take on the excursion.

Maree Coates
Girls League Tag Challenge

Girls League Tag Challenge against Eden Marine High School

Apologies for not having this report in our last newsletter, I know a few of the girls were disappointed not to read about their performance alongside the boys’ article.

On Friday 27th November 17 girls from Years 7 to 11 participated in a friendly game of league tag against Eden Marine High School.

The girls played a well-structured defensive line and realised the considerable speed possessed by some of the Eden players early in the game. With the fantastic tagging skills of Tanika Hampshire, Casey Richardson and Annie McGrath along with Bree Brownlie and Katie Farrell, the girls held Eden off the try line for a good portion of the first half.

Fantastic vision and speed from Kayley Keavey at fullback continued to prevent Eden from making it over the try line for a good portion of the first half.

Gallant line breaks by Makalya Standen, Abbey Boreham and Tayla Ventry gave the Bombala team much needed confidence. Eden was successful in scoring 2 tries in the first half with Bombala yet to score.

In the second half the Bombala girls knew they had to lift their performance. A great start to the half was achieved through a kick off finding touch close to the Eden try line. With great hands through the line by Jade Newman, Jemma Boreham and Mackenzie Phillips, the girls were very close to the line.

Janine Jamieson showed some elusive skills manoeuvring through the defensive line and setting up some great field positions. It was the speedy fullback, Kayley Keavey, who eventually ran through and scored for Bombala, she also kicked a beautiful conversion straight over the black dot.

The team was hyped for the final minutes of the game. Monique Standen, Felicity Boreham, Jess Herron and Georgia Jones were awesome team players, tagging and running the ball with purpose. The Eden team was lucky to score another try in the dying minutes to finish up the game 16-6.

Congratulations to the Bombala girls who played their first ever game together as a league tag team, I was very proud of their commitment and sportsmanship. A big thank you to Keiarna Rodwell who helped with training and running water for both teams on the day, she was very unlucky to be injured and not be able to play on the day.

I’d also like to thank Mr Fuiono, Mrs Katrina Brownlie, Mrs Rebel Brownlie and Mr Peter Braden for their support with transportation and moral support on the day.

Thanks to Mr Fuiono and Mrs Sullivan for organising the games with Eden.

Maree Coates
Coach

GREAT JOB

Back Row: Maree Ingram (Coach), Bree Brownlie, Kayley Keavey, Abbey Boreham, Georgia Jones, Katie Farrell, Tayla Ventry, Tanika Hampshire, Monique Standen, Jade Newman, Jess Herron, Makayla Standen.
Front Row: Keiarna Rodwell, Casey Richardson, Annie McGrath, Janine Jamieson, Mackenzie Phillips, Felicity Boreham, Jemma Boreham.
Year 8 complete Rock and Water

Year 8 have been participating in the Rock and Water Program this term during iMax.

Developed in Holland, the program uses self-defence as the starting point for teaching and learning mental and social skills.

The core themes of the program are self-control, self-reflection and self-confidence. These themes are reinforced through the four leading threads of grounding, self-awareness, communication and the Rock and Water attitude. Students learn how to ‘centre’ themselves, standing strong and relaxed and focusing their attention. They build awareness of themselves and their environment, helping them to react appropriately to different situations and communicate with others. Students also choose the attitude they want to adopt the tough, immovable rock or the mobile, communicative water attitude.

Year 8 have enjoyed the physicality of the program and have participated in the various games and activities with enthusiasm. Their ability to focus and stand strong improved every week allowing them to become more aware of themselves and others.

The students completed the program last Friday by breaking a board. The breaking of the board is symbolic of the lessons learnt throughout the program.

In order to be successful, students needed to be centred, focused and believe in themselves, all things that will help them throughout their life. Well done Year 8!

Charmaine Clark

Below: Mr Challman and Year 8 show off their broken boards
The one that didn’t
get away....
A monster 75cm
flatchhead caught (and
released) by Jayden
Robinson on the recent
fishing excursion run by
Mr Herron.
As the fish was a breeder,
she was released after the
photo was taken.
Well done Jayden!!

Early entry success for 2015’s HSC students.

Early Entry Offers as of 9/12/15

Charles Sturt University
Aimee Badewitz Bachelor of Accounting
Jackie Chapman Bachelor of Agricultural Business Management
Nicole Hepburn Bachelor of Social Science (Psychology)
Talya Mikula Bachelor of Psychology
Lachlan Sellers Bachelor of Agricultural Business Management

University of Canberra
Jack Clark Bachelor of Accounting
Ebony Ingram Bachelor of Arts / Management
Jack Parr Bachelor of Science

University of Wollongong
Laiken Clear Bachelor of Nursing
Hannah Ingram Bachelor of Nursing
Tayla Mikula Bachelor of Nursing
Nikki Hepburn Bachelor of Psychological Science

University of New England
Lachlan Sellers Bachelor of Rural Science

The staff of Bombala High School wish all our students
and their families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Please travel safely over the
holiday break and we look
forward to seeing you
in 2016

Good Luck!
Year 9/10 Food Technology have spent the last few lessons carefully crafting themselves a gingerbread house, perfect for gracing the Christmas table.

Patience, coupled with their own creative flair, has led to beautiful creations like the one below.

These students will be very popular with their brothers and sisters!

Last week Teri Roberson represented all of the authors of The Bombala Battlers, when she presented a dedicated copy to the members of the Bombala RSL Sub-Branch. Proudly accepted by President Rob Letts, the Sub-Branch was most appreciative of the work that has gone into the publication.

Our funding will remain similar for 2016 as it was in 2015.

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Key Dates

- **Wed 27th Jan** – School Development Day (Office will be open for uniform sales)
- **Thur 28th Jan** – Years 7, 11 & 12 return
- **Fri 29th Jan** – Years 8, 9 & 10 return

2016 Permissions

Please return the 2016 Permissions note to school by the last day of school.

Swimming and off-school sport may happen in Week 1, but students who have not returned their permissions will not be able to attend.

Handing it in now will ensure that it doesn’t get forgotten over the holidays.

Thank you.