Parent Teacher Interviews provide forum for open communication

It was wonderful to have so many parents taking the opportunity to speak with our staff at our first Parent Teacher Evening of 2015.

Last Tuesday July 21, staff and parents gathered in the school library to discuss the achievements of our students in Semester 1.

Because of high parent interest in interviews, the decision was made by the staff to hold two evenings and so families with surnames beginning with A-K were invited to attend last week.

There was a warm atmosphere as parents and staff caught up with one another in the interviews and over light refreshments supplied by our Food Technology Department.

We’ve had very positive feedback about the success of this evening and parents of Year 7 in particular were glad to have the opportunity to spend some time with their child’s teachers.

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Our next interviews will take place with families whose surnames begin with L-Z this Wednesday July 29 in the library from 4.00 to 6.00pm.

Please contact our office staff should you wish to make an appointment for an interview. Bookings can be made until 3pm Wednesday.

We look forward to seeing as many parents as can possibly make it this Wednesday.

Deb Harris
Teacher Librarian

““We found the Parent Teacher Night to be great. It was really nice to put names to faces of teachers we hadn’t met before, they were all very nice and made us as new Year 7 parents feel welcome. Looking forward to the next one!”

Belinda Hurley, Parent.

“The interviews were informative and rewarding. It was a great chance to hear nice things.”

Danny Farrell, Parent.

“Our time at the Parent Teacher Evening was very beneficial. It really gave us a picture of where Ebony is at, and where she should be heading in the lead up to the HSC. We also appreciated the call from the school to make the bookings, it was great follow-up.”

Scott Ingram, Parent.

To all parents, caregivers, and community members

An Invitation to...

‘SHOWTIME’

A celebration of performing arts that showcases the students of the Bombala and Delegate Public Schools.

We are very proud of our students and we are sure you will be too, so please join us for this wonderful evening.

Please see poster at right for details.
This week in Careers…

**Rural Fire Service Cadet Program**

Monday July 20 saw Week 1 of this RFS program for Year 9. John and Danny took the students through their induction. The program is designed to foster practical skills and build teamwork capacity amongst the students. Congratulations to Year 9 for your behaviour on the day. A further report and more photos will be in next week’s newsletter.

**OH&S Construction Whitecard**

Last Thursday 7 of our students travelled to Jindabyne Central School to complete this certification. This Whitecard is required for entry into any construction site in NSW. From all reports the course was very informative and these students now have this qualification for life. A big thank you goes to Rayna, Careers Adviser at Jindabyne Central School, for organising the course and to Mr Glen Warren, Relieving Principal, for transporting the students to and from Jindabyne. Congratulations to Year 9 ambassadors for our school. I have just received an email that all of our students also as they were fantastic members completed their certification which was facilitated through Eurobodalla Adult Education Centre. Every student was very appreciative of Jennifer who presented the course in a very informative, practical and engaging way. We are hoping to offer some other short courses in the near future including Barista and Safe Food Handling. If you would like any further information or have an interest in other courses please contact me.

**University Of Wollongong (UoW) In2uni Pilot Program**

Over the next two terms Year 11 students will be experiencing the Rural/Remote University Preparation Program, running as a pilot program with our school and UOW. The objectives of this program are:

- To build aspirations and academic capacity for students from low SES and rural/remote backgrounds towards higher education
- Provide students with support to improve their HSC marks and current Year 12 studies
- To begin to transition students into the university environment by utilising university resources, spaces, tools and current students.

Delivery of the program is varied and includes face to face workshops, video conferenced workshops, university super study days, online Moodle modules and culminates in a celebration event in December 2015. The program is funded by UOW with no charge to our students! Students will have the option of continuing the program through Year 12 2016. This is a very exciting opportunity for our students and we look forward to fostering our relationship with UOW. Workshops will also take place in school, delivered by the UOW team later in the year, with a focus on academic enrichment. We look forward to this course also and more information will follow. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

**Senior First Aid Course**

Last Tuesday July 21 saw our second external first aid course. Seven students and wider community members completed their certification which was facilitated through Eurobodalla Adult Education Centre. Every student was very appreciative of Jennifer who presented the course in a very informative, practical and engaging way. We are hoping to offer some other short courses in the near future including Barista and Safe Food Handling. If you would like any further information or have an interest in other courses please contact me.

**Canberra Careers Expo**

Today I will be attending the official opening of this year’s expo on behalf of Bombala High School which I am excited about. After that I will visit the expo itself and gather as much information about career options as humanly possible. This information will then be available to our students. More information will be in next week’s newsletter. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me.
This week in Careers…

University Admissions Centre (UAC) Books Have Arrived!

Well Year 12, we are certainly getting to the business end of your secondary education! For those students who are thinking about university studies in 2016 and beyond, the UAC books are now in the school. We would like to host a parent/student information evening to discuss how to use this excellent resource effectively as well as discuss early entry procedures both through UAC’s Schools Recommendation Scheme (SRS) and the individual universities that do not participate in the scheme. We will also outline the university application process via the UAC website and answer any questions that students and parents may have. An invitation letter will be sent out shortly but in the meantime if you have any questions please feel free to give me a call.

Coming Events

WED 29 JULY
Parent Teacher Evening 4.00 - 6.30pm
Limited appointments slots are still available. Please call the office to book.

THUR 30 JULY
Girls League Tag Bega

Combined Schools Performing Arts Night 6pm Multipurpose Hall
Tickets available at door

FRI 31 JULY
Senior Textiles Excursion Canberra

MON 3 AUG
Year 12 Parent / Student UAC Information Night
Details will be posted home

FRI 7 AUG
Under 15’s Girls & Boys Basketball Bega

For further information on any of these events please contact the office on 6458 3358.

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