Six years of secondary education draws to a close

Year 12,

Congratulations to each and every one of you.

Achieving your Higher School Certificate is the first step to achieving your own brilliant career. You have the opportunity to do, and be, anything you want. Do not let anything hold you back.

A little bit of advice for you:
- stay true to yourself and your values
- have courage to take risks and know it’s okay to fail sometimes,
- work hard and keep learning and
- find your passion and do what you love

Always remember your time at Bombala High School as the knowledge and skills you have built during your time here will stay with you for the rest of your life.

The world now belongs to you. Have confidence in yourself, have courage to take the actions that need to be taken and work hard to be the success that you know you can be.

All the best for the future and keep in touch!

Glen Warren, Relieving Principal

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A farewell message from our awesome seniors…..

Aimee Badewitz
I’d just like to say a massive thank you to everyone who has helped me through and contributed to my unforgettable 6 years at Bombala High School! Some of my best memories have been made here. All the teachers have been extremely encouraging, providing many opportunities and extra study time throughout the last year! Thanks again to everyone who has assisted me throughout high school.

Abby Bailey
Thank you to all the staff at Bombala High School for your help and support and for never giving up on me and for guiding me in the right direction. Due to the support I have been given I now know what I am capable of. I wish all my class mates well in their endeavours and I know they will all do well.

Jackie Chapman
Bombala High School is such a unique and wonderful place to go to school. I can think of no other school in which teachers would stay behind to help their students just out of the goodness of their hearts, or that anyone could be as kind as Annie with her wonderful morning teas. This school has provided the best possible learning environment to prepare us for a bright future ahead. Thank you to the whole Bombala High School community for 6 great years.

Lachlan Sellers
The past 6 years at Bombala High School have been enjoyable, worthy and unforgettable. All the teachers and other staff have helped me achieve goals and build my leadership capabilities. Big shout out to Annie.

Jack Clark
I have had some very interesting and memorable experiences during my 6 years at Bombala High School, some of which I will never forget. Many thanks to all involved in my education during the past 6 years, your assistance has been much appreciated.

Jack Parr
Thank you to all the teachers who have helped me through the years. Love jack <3
Aaron Girvan
It has been good, but it is even better moving on to the next part of my life.
Find a job, well that’s a start then I will go on from there.
PS to the people out there who didn’t think I would ever get to Year 12, I made it all the way through!

Darcie Roberson
Thank you to all the teachers and support staff who have made this journey a lot easier, also Anne and Ms Harris for your constant support, it means so much and finally our Year Advisors Mrs Rodwell and Mr Little, thank you.

Amy Jamieson
I would just like to say a special thanks to all my classmates, I honestly couldn’t think of a better year group to graduate with (except Thomas Eccles).
A massive thank you goes to all of the staff for helping me with my journey through school.
Just a reminder ‘that your HSC is just a piece of paper, it’s what you do with it that counts, for instance turning it into a paper plane won’t get you very far (which I know from personal experience)’.

Hannah Ingram
I would like to thank all my teachers for your help and guidance throughout this year. I would especially like to thank Mrs Sullivan for always being there to talk to and for being like my second mum and Miss Adams for being so understanding and always so kind and helpful to me.
Thanks too to Mrs Rodwell and Mr Little for being great Year Advisors and lastly, Anne for making regular morning teas. We really will miss you all!

Ebony Ingram
When I think about the past 6 years at Bombala High, I struggle to think of something that will sum it up, all the memories, friendships, good days and bad days. A small school with large amounts of spirit, support and opportunities and of course, the outgoing and hardworking staff and teachers all make the experience worthwhile.
Hopefully in the near future I will have the opportunity to teach at a school like this.
My advice would be: ‘Stay motivated and work hard towards your goals and dreams.’

Bailey Jones
Thank you to our Year Advisors Mrs Rodwell and Mr Little and to all the staff who have assisted me through my 6 years at high school.
‘Live life and have fun’ – Jailey Bones.
Laiken Clear

At about this time next week, I can finally say that I have made it. For the past 6 years, Bombala High has been amazing in assisting me to get to this point in my life. I would like to thank my teachers for their dedication and on-going support, as I know that in city schools the students are not as fortunate. Thank you to the teachers who have selflessly given their time to stay back after school to provide me with extra help, and to those who have marked my many drafts in order to help me improve.

I would also like to thank our Library Staff, Anne and Ms Harris. Thanks to Anne for going out of her way to provide Year 12 with many morning teas and lunch, they were amazing and thank you to Ms Harris for giving up her time to help me with my study.

Thank you to Miss Shelley for her extremely helpful career advice and finally thank you to my peers, I couldn’t have asked for a better group of people to finish my schooling days with! I will miss you all!

Tayla Mikula

The last 6 years have been a stressful and hard, but a wonderful and memorable experience. We have all shared great memories and created lifelong friendships among the year group. I couldn’t think of a better group of people to have spent my high school years with both students and staff.

I would like to thank all of my teachers over the years, especially those who have helped, supported and encouraged me to strive for my personal best and continuously give 100% during this tough and stressful year.

A massive thank you goes to Mrs Sully, Miss Adams, Miss Clark, Miss Austin, Mr Long and Miss Morrison (who unfortunately isn’t a teacher at our school any more, but has still been a massive support). I thank all of you immensely for your dedication in helping each and everyone us, for giving up your own spare time in order for us to achieve our greatest potential, for making school the most enjoyable experience as possible.

A special thanks to our Year Advisors Mrs Rodwell and Mr Little for sticking by us and helping organise various activities to help raise funds for our formal and providing us with excursions such as our trip to the University of Wollongong. These are the experiences that we will look back on in 10 years time and remember how lucky we were to be students at Bombala High.

Another special thanks goes to Annie and Ms Harris in the Library for their hard work and commitment in making this year as stress free as possible, from cooking us morning teas to being comes to our studies. Also thank you to Ms Shelley for keeping us on our toes when it comes to things such as early entry. She has guided our way through all aspects of our future after school and we all appreciate your hard work immensely.

Without all of our school staff support, help and complete dedication to their job, we wouldn’t be able to look back on our high school experience with a smile on our face. Bombala High has provided me with an amazing 6 years that I’ll miss and never forget. I truly appreciate all of your help and thank you all very much.

Tim Olsen

Being a new kid in Year 8 was a bit hard but some of the friends I’ve made are some of the best people I know. To start off school really was just a social thing. This changed when I started going to the AIME (Australian Indigenous Mentoring Experience) where I learned that an education is the key to a brighter future.

When I started by SBAT with NPWS school became more about future options and jobs. Through AIME and my SBAT I have a pretty clear idea of what I want when I leave.

Thank you Bombala High and ALL the staff.

Join Us…. For the Year 12 Farewell Assembly Thursday 17 September @12.30pm in hall. All parents and community members are welcome to attend.
Jasmine McLaughlin
I still remember the first day of high school. I was so nervous because I wasn’t originally from Bombala, but I have made life-long friends and formed good relationships with students and teachers. These past 6 years have been amazing. I would just like to thank all the teachers for their support and the help given to us with our work. Also thanks to Mrs Rodwell and Mr Little for being great Year Advisors.

Thomas Eccles
Bombala High surrounds individuals with opportunity and potential for the future. Over my past few years I have found many good mates, both students and staff. Overall Bombala High School provides good vibes.

Tori Wilson
Thanks to all the wonderful teachers who have helped me this far. I am so lucky to have experienced school with all of my amazing classmates!

Renee Ingram
For me school was a great place to learn, meet new people and to hang out with friends. I have gotten to know the loveliest people both students and staff and they are the ones I will miss the most. These memories of the staff and students will remind me of how grateful I am to have gotten to know them and how lucky we are to live in such a small region where we have that opportunity.

Nikki Hepburn
High School has been the foundation of the most amazing memories of my life. I have met lifelong friends and had experiences that will stay with me forever. I would like to say thank you to all the teachers and staff who have helped me through this journey. I will miss you all.

Sophie Roeton
In my opinion Bombala High School is one of the best schools. I love how the whole school and staff accepted and welcomed me from the very second I stepped into the school and I couldn’t be more grateful to every staff member for pushing me to finish Year 12. I have gained many memories that I will cherish forever. So thank you so much.
Doug Parsons
A big shoutout goes to all my teachers for their amazing effort, and all the staff that support us all everyday. Big thanks go to Annie and Ms Harris in the Library, Annie for her constant support and lovely morning tea for us and Ms Harris for helping me with my English assessments and for helping me with my distant education. I don’t think I would have made it this far without the amazing effort of all my teachers, Mr Little for staying behind every week to help us study and being a great year advisor, Mrs Rodwell for all her effort in and out of the classroom as well as being a great year advisor. Miss Adams for her enormous positivity and managing to improve my overall marks in the short time she’s been here. Thanks to Ms Austin for always being so organised and managing class time well. The Principal, the Deputy and all the office staff for the role they play in making this a great school. I have had an amazing few years here at Bombala High, it is an amazing school and has made me feel very welcome. I have made great friends and learned so much. I will miss Bombala High and I wish everyone here the best of luck.

Daysha-Lee O’Hehir Elton
Thanks to all the staff of Bombala High and thanks to all my classmates (not Thomas Eccles). You guys aren’t too shabby.

Congratulations
Year 12
We are very proud of you and know that the end of school will be just the beginning of wonderful things for you all.

Go forward with courage and confidence and you can achieve anything.

Good luck!

The Staff and Students @ Bombala High

Changing of the guard…outgoing Presidents wish our new school leaders all the best for 2016

Ebony and I would like to thank Mr Warren and Mr Fuiono for helping us create a great supportive and hardworking environment and also giving us their time and experience to improve the Student Representative Council (SRC) and their presence and responsibilities around the school. Most of all thank you for giving us the opportunity to be role models and leaders for the school. We would also like to take this opportunity to wish the new Presidents Adam and Tanika all the best for 2016.

Ebony Ingram and Lachlan Sellers (pictured left)
2015 School Presidents

We would like to say a massive thank you to Ebony, Lachlan and all of Year 12 for your support and friendship through the last 5 years. You are all friends that we will have for life! Good luck and we hope that you all achieve everything that you’ve ever dreamed of.

Tanika Hampshire and Adam Rodwell (pictured right)
2016 School Presidents
On Wednesday two HSC markers representing the Board of Studies came to BHS to mark our only candidate Aaron Girvan’s major work, a Ute Dog Cage. Aaron produced a high quality project backed up with a folio with test pieces and a slide show of his project throughout the production process. His results will be available when the HSC results come out. Aaron should be proud of his efforts and has a very practical project that he will use and enjoy for years to come!

Gary Herron
Industrial Art

Last Tuesday Year 12 Music had their HSC Performance Day.

The class consisted of Renee Ingram, Daysha O’Hehir-Elton (pictured above) and Sophie Roeton. The girls have been working consistently for the past 3 terms on learning and refining theirs HSC pieces.

Each of the students chose to do 3 elective performances as well as a compulsory performance. The girls programs were as follows:

Renee Ingram
- ‘American Honey’ – Lady Antebellum
- ‘Famous in a small town’ – Miranda Lambert
- ‘Country strong’ – Gwyneth Paltrow
- ‘Shine on’ – Rascal Flatts

Daysha O’Hehir-Elton
- ‘From Eden’ – Hozier
- ‘Summertime’ – Billie Holiday
- ‘At Last’ – Etta James

Sophie Roeton
- ‘Hallelujah’ – Jeff Buckley
- ‘Good Riddance (Time of your life)’ – Green Day
- ‘Dear Mr President’ – Pink
- ‘Halo’ – Beyonce
- ‘Clown’ – Emeli Sande

Each of the girls did extremely well and have improved so much since their trials about a month ago.

Now all they have to focus on is their Aural Skills exam during the HSC exam period.

I wish the girls all the best as they head into their exams and hope that their hard work will pay off.

Good luck girls!

Ben Fuiono
Music Department
Candidates deliver campaign speeches and Year 7 & 8 become polling officials

2016 Presidential Speeches and Election

Last Tuesday, 8 September, saw 7 aspiring school leaders deliver their speeches to the students and staff as to what qualities they have that would make them the right choice for President. All of the students who put their hand up are to be congratulated on their efforts – public speaking is very difficult! The candidates were: Janine Jamieson, Mozes Olsen, Davina Duthie, Tanika Hampshire, Adam Rodwell, Makayla Standen and Loretta Hines. These students definitely uphold our school values – well done!!

After the speeches were delivered it was time for the school community to cast their votes. To make this process as authentic as possible, the canteen was set up as a polling booth. Volunteers from Years 7 and 8 took on the responsibility of ballot officials, manning the booths and voting area as well as securing the ballot box.

Voting was preferential, again to make the process as close to the real experience as possible. This year, there were only a handful of informal votes which means that students are becoming more experienced with the process. Thank you to Karter Hampshire, Bree Brownlie, Tayla Ventry, Breanna Hepburn, Mackenzie Phillips of Year 7 and Nicolah Tellis, Storm Worley, Jemma Boreham, Felicity Boreham of Year 8 for their professional assistance on the day.

As reported in last week’s newsletter our 2016 Presidents are Tanika Hampshire and Adam Rodwell – congratulations and your first official duty will be chairing the Year 12 Farewell Assembly on Friday.

Donna Shelley

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Simon Till interviews 2015 Senior Amy Jamieson...

**Simon:** Hello Amy Jamieson.

**Amy:** Hello Simon Till.

**Simon:** Will you be scared going in to your exams?

**Amy:** No, not scared, just a little bit nervous.

**Simon:** Will the exams be easy or hard?

**Amy:** I’m hoping to know everything, so it shouldn’t be too hard.

**Simon:** Does your future career depend on your results?

**Amy:** No it doesn’t.

**Simon:** How come, what are you going to do?

**Amy:** Cos I’ve got a job in Europe for a year.

**Simon:** What’s the job?

**Amy:** Working in a boarding school, halfway between London and Brighton in a town called Bramblety.

**Simon:** What will you be doing in the job?

**Amy:** Cleaning, laundry, teacher’s aide, assistant nurse, office jobs, waking up the kids, dorm supervision, things like that.

**Simon:** Will you be upset when you have to leave school?

**Amy:** Ummmmm, yes and no, I don’t think that it’s hit me yet about leaving school.

**Simon:** Who will you miss when you leave?

**Amy:** All my friends.

**Simon:** I will cry at the assembly when you all leave. I will miss you.

**Amy:** Naaaaw.

**Simon:** I go up to some of the Year 12’s when I’m upset.

**Amy:** Not me.

**Simon:** No, not you, cos you sit all the way up there (points). I was going to tell some of them about a disagreement in handball the other day.

**Amy:** You should have.

**Simon:** Thank you for your time.

**Amy:** Thanks Simon.
This week in Careers.....

RURAL FIRE SERVICE CADET UPDATE
Congratulations to all our Year 9 students! We do have some exciting news for one student who was outstanding during the program. Noah Coles has been nominated by John and Danny as a candidate for NSW RFS Cadet of the Year. This is the first time in the 7 years of our association with the RFS that a Bombala High School student has been nominated. Well done Noah, you should be very proud of yourself!!!

UNIVERSITY OF WOLLONGONG IN2UNI WORKSHOP (UOW)
Last Monday September 2 saw our second video conference with Brittany from UOW. With our technology back up and running we were able to complete this VC in our Trade Training Centre. This session focused on HSC exam preparation and was very timely for our Year 11 students as they are currently in their yearly exams. The students participated in a number of different activities including identifying their strengths and weaknesses, how to plan for study, the effects of procrastination and techniques in the actual exams. Again, a big thank you to UOW for this very informative program. We value our partnership with them. Well done Year 11. Our next session is a face to face workshop early in Term 4 before a visit to UOW Bega Campus on Friday 30 October.

UNIVERSITY ADMISSIONS CENTRE (UAC)
Our Year 12 students are currently busy applying for their preferred university courses on the UAC website. This is also where they can apply for early entry to university via the Schools Recommendation Scheme (SRS). Both these applications close at midnight 30 September 2015. If you have any problems or require any assistance please see me or visit the website: www.uac.edu.au

LOCAL SCHOLARSHIPS
Last Thursday, 10 September, Miss Lesley Smith (pictured below) addressed Year 12 about the variety of local scholarships available for post school studies. Each student now has a package of the application forms and are very much encouraged to apply for all of the available scholarships which range in value. Thank you to Lesley for giving up her time to support our students and also the local institutions which financially support students as they move from school to tertiary study: Bombala Lions Club, Bombala RSL Sub Branch, Brassington-Hagger Scholarship and Monaro Education Foundation.

CAREERS ADVISORY SERVICE
This service offers professional, friendly and impartial advice following the release of HSC results. The service is free and available by phone (1300 300 687) or through their website (www.cas.det.nsw.edu.au). Parents and carers may also use this service if they are seeking advice on your behalf. The Careers Advisory Service is available from Friday 18 December to Wednesday 23 December 2015. The website also contains helpful information to assist students in clarifying course choices, employment opportunities, career pathways and training options.

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY (ACU) EARLY ENTRY SCHEME
If any of our Year 12 students are considering tertiary study at ACU their early entry scheme closes on Friday 18 September. Please see me for any further information.

TAX FILE NUMBERS (TFN)
If there are any students who have not taken advantage of getting their TFN through the school I would encourage you to do so before the end of term. Please collect a form from the Careers Office. If you have any questions about TFN’s please do not hesitate to contact me.

YEAR 12 LEGAL LUNCHEON
For the first time in 16 years of teaching Legal Studies, we managed to complete the content of the course by the Trial Examinations. This was primarily due to the hard work and dedication of the students. We celebrated our success as a group last Thursday with a lunch at Rush Hour Chinese. A big congratulations to Darcie Roberson, Jack Clark and Jack Parr (absent was Sophie Roeton). Now with revision and completion of practice questions we will have every success in the HSC examinations. Well done guys!

BOMBALA HIGH SCHOOL CAREERS FACEBOOK PAGE
Just a reminder that the school careers Facebook page has been set up. After surveying the most effective channels of communication of careers information it was the use of Facebook that was a clear winner. This meant the careersbhs Facebook page was born. Just like it and you will receive all of the information that I receive. Students from all years are welcome to join as well as parents and the wider school community. Please feel free to also post any questions you may have if you forget to see me.

2015 YEAR 12 STUDENT SUCCESSES BEGIN
As we are in the final week for our Year 12 students at school, I am sure that success stories will continue to flood in. However, our first student to secure her future pathway is Aimee Badewitz who has been successful in securing an Accounting Cadetship with Boyce & Co in Cooma. This is a culmination of all her hard work and determination to succeed in her chosen career path. The cadetship is for 4 years with her future employment assured.

Congratulations Aimee and we sincerely wish you every success in your future endeavours.

A FINAL WORD ON TERM 3
It has definitely been a busy term at Bombala High School. I would just like to take this opportunity to thank all students and staff for their support of the careers initiatives that have occurred during the term. The external opportunities available for our students are an important part of their educational experience and without the flexibility and understanding of our staff, these opportunities would be missed. We have a wonderful school! Happy holidays to all.

Invitation
Class of 1988 School Reunion
We would love to see as many former school teachers and students at our reunion.
Saturday 3rd October from 6:00pm @ Bombala RSL Club.
There will be a sit down meal @ $25 per head.
Please contact Michelle Peisley, as we need numbers for catering purposes.
M: 0427 585 340

Garage Sale
This Saturday 19 September 10am to 2pm
All proceeds to Relay for Life
Household Items
Furniture
Bric-a-Brac
Clothing – Kids & Adults
Garden Items
Cakes & Slices
Wood Raffles
Hot Dogs
Please support the Cancer Council
RescueED an eye-opener for students

Last Wednesday, 9th September, students from Years 7 to 11 were invited to the local Fire Station to see a demonstration of rescue operations and techniques in a program called RescueED. A number of cars were ‘destroyed’ in the demonstration and students were shown how injured people can be extracted from a serious motor vehicle accident. Some very impressive hydraulic tools were utilised to bend and cut the vehicles and ultimately the entire roof of each car was cut away! The students found the demonstration both interesting and sobering.

Many thanks go to New South Wales Fire and Rescue and our local Police for the opportunity to be involved in this very valuable program.

Relay for Life- Country Music Afternoon and Karaoke Night
Live country music featuring local artists.
Bombala Golf Club
Saturday 10 October
2:00pm onwards
$15 for a family or $5 per ticket
All proceeds go towards Relay for Life, Team Bibbenluke. Afternoon tea will be provided for a gold coin donation. Raffles and lucky door prizes to be won and hot rod rides to be had.
For more information contact Michelle Peisley on 0427 585 340 or Michelle Russell 02 6458 5213

Say Goodbye to Bibbenluke School
Sunday 20th September 11am
~ Morning Tea, BBQ lunch
~ Memorabilia on display
~ Meet up with old school buddies and staff
ALL WELCOME

National Police Remembrance Day Service at Bombala Station
29th September at 11am

Due to the size of this week’s Year 12 commemorative edition some articles about Week 9 and 10 activities, including awards recipients, will be held over until our first newsletter of Term 4.

SAFE HOLIDAYS EVERYONE!

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