

WOONONA HIGH SCHOOL

WEEK 8A

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

29 NOVEMBER 2010

EVENTS THIS WEEK

All Week – Yr 10 Work Experience

END OF YEAR CANTEEN OPERATING HOURS

There will be no canteen on Wednesday 15th December. On Monday & Tuesday of that week there will be limited stock only.

CANTEEN HELPERS THIS WEEK

Mon 29 – Anna Rindlisbacher

Tue 30 – HELP NEEDED

Wed 1 – Maryann Head

Thur 2 – HELP NEEDED

Fri 3 – HELP NEEDED

Climb the Bridge!

The P&C has been given a ticket to climb the Sydney Harbour Bridge (expires 13th May 2011). This ticket is valued at over \$200 and the P&C is offering the ticket to the highest bidder over the next two weeks. Ring the school on 42841513 to register your bid. If you have the highest bid at 3:00 pm on Friday 3rd December the ticket is yours.

2 DAY UNIFORM SALE

6TH & 7TH DECEMBER

At Woonona High School

8am – 12.00

(Depending on demand)

Get in early to purchase school uniforms for next year at reduced prices!

Items available: - **ALL \$10**

Sports Shirts – all sizes

Sports Shorts – XXS, XS, L, XL, XXL

White Polos – 10, XL, XXL, 3XL

Button White or Fawn Shirts – mixed sizes

Green Skirts – most Sizes

Grey Pants - ladies Sizes

OTHER ITEMS

Grey Shorts – mixed sizes

Green Jumpers – XL, XXL

Please phone Julie at the school on 42841513 to express interest in this sale.

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

- During Week 9 (December 6th – 10th) we are asking that all students Years 7-10 complete an end of year clearance process. This is designed to make sure all equipment (books etc) are returned and that all outstanding subject fees are paid. The students will be issued with a list of any outstanding fees and they will be asking their teachers to sign their clearance sheets.
- I had the pleasure of attending the Year 12 formal last week at the Novotel. The students looked spectacular in all their finery and were a credit to their families. Mrs Harris (Year Adviser) did a great job in the organisation which ensured an enjoyable event.
- There is an increasing prevalence of students drinking so call "energy" drinks before school. These drinks may cause damage to teenage developmental growth and need to be used with care. Students are not to bring them to school.
- Don't forget our annual presentation day on Tuesday 14th December commencing at 12:30pm.

STUDENT INTERVIEW

Kiah Grubb – Year 8.

Kiah is a very talented student who excels in Dance. She attends dance classes with Joanne Grace for about 20 hours per week in a variety of dance styles (ballet, modern, jazz and contemporary). She started dancing at two years of age and has enjoyed every moment of her experience. Kiah regularly performs in eisteddfods and this year she won the Open Ballet section at the Wollongong competition. Next year she will be travelling to Sydney 1 day per week to attend a ballet school which will count toward her School Certificate studies. Kiah hopes to study Dance for the HSC when she gets to Year 11 with the ultimate hope of getting a position with an international dance company. Success at school is extremely important to Kiah because she realises that to have a good education is the most important thing in ensuring success in life. Well done Kiah! Keep enjoying your dancing!

VOLUNTEER OF THE WEEK



NAME: Chrystal Phillips

YEAR: 10

ACTIVITY: Chrystal participates in the school's IRT Aged Care volunteer program. She also volunteers at the Kid's Ministry at Bulli Anglican church every week.

WHY DO I LIKE VOLUNTEERING? I enjoy volunteering because of the joy I receive from helping other people. It is also a great way to assist in the community.

SRC NEWS

Well done to a number of Year 10 and 11 students who took the time to volunteer to donate blood recently, this is always a worthwhile cause which helps the wider community.

The school captains attended a youth leadership conference in Sydney on Monday 22nd November with 2000 other students. They found it very inspiring and an informative event. The Halogen foundation promotes the value of inspirational and positive role models as examples to others by exposing students to a diverse range of leaders and their views on leadership.

The SRC are organizing a 'MUFTI Day' on Monday 29th November to raise much needed funds to use around the school and continue our sponsorship of our overseas children. A REMINDER to ensure students are dressed appropriately for school, **NO** singlet tops, **NO** midriff tops and **ENCLOSED** shoes must be worn.

A GOLD COIN DONATION IS REQUIRED.

YEAR 9 REPORT

The yearly examinations are now complete and students should be receiving their results in the near future. Take the time to discuss these results focusing on strengths and providing assistance with points of weaknesses. Keep in mind that yearly reports will be compiled and distributed over the coming weeks. Please encourage your son/daughter in their academic endeavours and keep in mind, once the reports are completed, introductory Year 10 work will begin.

Student Representative Council (SRC) elections will be held on the 2nd of December and students are invited to apply for nomination. Students will be expected to give a brief speech to the year assembly and if elected play an active role in enhancing the life of the school. The SRC members are expected to run whole school assemblies, fundraisers, year meetings and be a voice for the student body. Nomination forms can be obtained from Mr Bradley in the Industrial Arts staffroom.

All of Year 9 have received a 'student activity form' where students can demonstrate where they have participated in academic, sporting or community events. This information will be presented on the front page of their yearly report and will give an accurate reflection of student attitude and commitment to be involved in activities beyond the mandatory aspects of school life.

Thank you for your partnership throughout this year. All questions, comments or concerns regarding Year 9 can be directed to the Year Advisor,

Benjamin.bradley1@det.nsw.edu.au

Mr. Bradley

ANCIENT HISTORY EXCURSION

The inexcusable suffering of Jews was a horrific event in history. Known as the Holocaust this event was where 6 million Jews were killed as a result of the extermination carried out by Nazi Germany between



1939 and 1945. Men, women and children of Jewish descent were forcibly removed from their homes and placed in Ghettos and then later taken to concentration camps where they worked constantly as labourers for the Nazis. In the middle of World War 2, many Jews were sent to death camps such as Auschwitz where Jews lost their lives in the gas chambers. On 19th of November, Mr Green took 24 year 10 history students to the Sydney Jewish Museum. Upon arrival we were greeted by Mariella who showed us an introductory film that simplified Jewish history from the time before Christ 'til today. Gerty, a Holocaust survivor, intrigued us with her emotional story of her experiences as a child in the Holocaust. We then were led on a guided tour around the museum and were later free to explore more of the Jewish Museum. We all thank Mr Green for taking us on this excursion as it was a good learning experience and was also a touching and sombre encounter.

By Emily Osborne and Chrystal Phillips

SUMMER CAMPS

Parents are you looking for ways to keep your children occupied during the coming summer school holidays?

Look no further! Crusaders is a Christian organisation with a great reputation for running safe and fun activity camps for 80 years! This summer there are 20 "awesome" week long camps for students in years 3-12 to choose from.

To find out more about CRU Camps visit www.crucamps.com.au or call CRU Camps



Are you feeling overwhelmed or fatigued?

Then you need to come along to the

STRESS RELEASE WORKSHOP

To learn the ABC's of stress management

On Monday 29th Nov, 6th & 13th Dec 2010

To book your place contact Odette Smith on 4285

8775 or 0409 905 380

Website: 2enlighten.com.au