FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Year 10 into 11 Senior Subject Selection Evening
Our Senior Subject Selection Evening was held on Monday and was highly regarded by the small number of parents and their children who attended. A brief outline of the Higher School Certificate, ATAR and Compressed Curriculum was presented, followed by an opportunity for students to discuss the most appropriate pattern of study with their teachers.

Some parents and students continued to ask questions well into the evening, making the most of the small crowds and golden opportunity. A small number of parents contacted the school offering their apologies for not being able to attend. Unfortunately, many students and their parents missed the opportunity to receive specific information regarding their child’s future. These events are scheduled to provide specific information concerning a child’s senior pattern of study with a real focus on post-school options and pathways - particularly if a student wishes to pursue a vocational pathway through their Higher School Certificate.

Mid-Course Examinations
Students involved in the Compressed Curriculum in the senior school are about to undertake their mid-course examinations. These will occur over three days at the end of this term. Students need to ensure they make time to plan and undertake a rigorous study routine to maximise their outcomes and results in this examination period.

It is essential that students make sacrifices at this time to ensure they remain focused on their studies. These examinations are an essential part of the preparation for their final Higher School Certificate examinations in November. I wish all of our students the very best in both their preparations and participation in the impending examinations.

P&C Support
The Tumbarumba High School P&C have generously agreed to assist the school to purchase some outdoor furniture to be placed strategically around the school. We are currently in the process of selecting the specific types of aluminium tables and seating that will best meet the needs of all our students both now and well into the future.

I greatly appreciate the kind and generous offer of support from our P&C.

Stage 4 and 5 Reports
All stage 4 and 5 reports are now complete and have been sent home to parents.

COMING EVENTS
18/6 Under 13 & 16 Small Schools Rugby League – Tumut
20/6 Under 16 Girls’ AFL
24/6 Regional Athletics Carnival, Albury
27/6 Last day of Term 2
14/7 Staff return
15/7 Students return for Term 3
Too sick for school?
As the cold weather hits, so do the winter bugs. It’s often hard to know whether to send your child to school or let them stay home to recover, especially when that means an adult cancelling work. For safety's sake, if your child seems unwell you should always keep them home from school and seek medical advice.

School A to Z and the NSW Health have created an at-a-glance chart to help answer your questions about common childhood illness and how long sick kids need to miss school. Find it by typing this link into your web browser www.bit.ly/1htyn2E

Mental maths strategies
We teach children a range of different strategies to add and subtract numbers. By showing them several methods for solving maths questions, we’re helping them to look for patterns. All this builds a good sense of “number” which means they understand the relationships between different numbers and why different ways to add and subtract work well. The goal is that your child will understand many ways to approach a maths problem and will be able to choose a way that makes the most sense to them. School A to Z has a lot of resources, including help sheets on mental maths strategies, here: www.bit.ly/JkiUsY

Teenagers seeking more independence
Knowing how much freedom and responsibility to give your teenager is difficult, especially if they’re your eldest or only child. To become capable adults, teenagers need to learn to make good decisions on their own and have opportunities to show you they can. The Raising Children Network website has a wealth of expert information and guidance for parents of teens and younger children. If your child is testing the boundaries and pushing for more independence, you may find the article ‘Shifting responsibility to your child’ worth reading. Go to www.bit.ly/1jCxEhe

Study help for high school
It’s often quite difficult for parents to assist their children with their high school homework and study. Even if we have professional experience in the subject area, children tend to find it difficult to take parental advice when it comes to school. (Don’t feel bad, teachers’ own children do exactly the same thing.) www.khanacademy.org is an excellent, not-for-profit website which may help your child study and revise tricky concepts in science, maths and the humanities.

D Crelley, Principal

EXPLORING EMPLOYMENT IN 2014

Charles Sturt University Open Days
University open days are a wonderful way for Year 11 and 12 students to gain insight into what courses are on offer at the university. I strongly suggest that students contemplating going to university attend at least one open day in their field of interest. If interested please get a registration form from Miss Pholi.


R Pholi, Careers Adviser

COMMUNITY NEWS

Debs, partners and parents are required to attend a meeting at All Saints Primary School on Wednesday 25 June at 6:00pm. At this meeting you are given information regarding our Ball to be held on Saturday 18 October 2014. Further information contact 02 69482395. Anne Richards.
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