AMAZING ATHLETES

Bellingen High School had 10 students attend the NSW Combined High Schools Athletics Championships held at Homebush from 4 to 6 September. Among these athletes were the BHS 16 year’s girl’s relay of Katie Thorn, Gaia Malcisi, Maia Berry and Talissa Alford. These girls won the North Coast Final in a very fast 54.53s, over a second faster than their time last year. They lined up in their heat race determined to do their best. They did not disappoint finishing third in 53.53s, an amazing time. This put them in the final against all the best teams in the State. The girls were nervous, however, they kept their mind on the job and finished 4th in a time of 53.56 only .03 off a Bronze Medal!!! What a fantastic result. Katie Thorn was involved in a number of individual events as well as the relay. She made the final in 5 events and in the Triple Jump walked away with a silver medal. What an excellent meet for her, displaying what an excellent all round athlete she is.

Liz Hoy
PDHPE
### Official Results NSW Athletics

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**Bellingen Swim Club!**

The 2015/2016 season starts on Friday 9th of October at 5:30pm

The night begins at 6 o'clock every Friday at the Bellingen Swim Centre

For existing/new members log onto www.nsw.swimming.org.au

For more information call:

Tina Maher  0401 282 519
Jo Hodgson 0419 442 089
Year 12 have been busy fundraising and enjoying their last week of school EVER!!! Thanks to a donation from Bellingen IGA, they held a highly successful Sushi Day on Monday. The sushi was delicious! On Tuesday during Assembly Year 12 auctioned off their services for the day to the highest bidder. We had fairies, ninja turtles, Queen of Hearts to name just a few! Our school captain was spotted carrying 20 school bags for Year 7, Blake and Liam were spotted washing teachers’ cars, many were put to work doing homework for Year 8 and quite a few cupboards and book-rooms were cleaned. A big thank you to all who contributed and to Dylan Connors, Jack Davies and Rhiannon Winter in Years 11/10 for all their on stage help.

Mrs Gorman
Yr 12 Advisor
From the Principal

This week we are saying farewell to the students from our 2015 Year 12 group. They are quickly coming to the end of their school career. I hope they are leaving us with no regrets, having experienced memorable opportunities and with many lifelong friends. I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the outgoing student leadership team of Captains Gita Pastro and Joel Cooper, Vice Captains Tiarni Naylor and Blake Cutler. Their efforts have been inspirational and impact positive.

I am delighted that our school, like many other public schools in the state, will participate in a Department of Education initiative: the Tell Them From Me student feedback survey. The survey aims to help improve student learning outcomes and measures factors that are known to affect academic achievement and other student outcomes. The focus of the NSW-wide survey is on student wellbeing, engagement and effective teaching practices.


The survey is a great opportunity for our students to provide us with valuable and quick feedback on what they think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them. Schools in Australia and around the world have used the Tell Them From Me survey to help improve how they do things at school.

I want to assure you that the survey is confidential. The survey is conducted online and will typically take less than 30 minutes to complete. It will be administered during school hours between 17 August and 16 October. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary.

The Partners in Learning parent feedback survey

Our school will also be participating in the Partners in Learning parent survey, another part of the Tell Them From Me suite of surveys (student, teacher and parent surveys) on student engagement. The survey asks parents and carers questions about different factors that are known to impact on student wellbeing and engagement.

Running this survey will help our school understand parents’ and carers’ perspectives on their child’s experience at school. These include: communication between parents/carers and staff, activities and practices at home and parent/carer views on the school’s support of learning and behaviour. This valuable feedback will help our school make practical improvements.

The survey is conducted entirely online at home or on public computers. The survey will typically takes 15 minutes or less to complete and is completely confidential. The parent survey will be conducted between 18 September and 16 October. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary, however, your responses are very much appreciated. There will be an information session and afternoon tea at our school on Wednesday 7th October at 6pm and parents can complete their survey on the school computers. Our Survey Coordinator, Haridian Ramirez will also be available at the Bellingen and Urunga libraries if you want to make an appointment by ringing the school. There will be the following prizes for some lucky survey participants: 2x $100 Butter Factory Voucher prize draw and a $50 Bunning voucher for second prize. All parents who complete the survey and send back the survey slip, a text or an email are eligible. You can find a link to the survey on the Bellingen High School website: http://www.bellingen-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/ and in the accompanying flyer.

Paul Holding
Principal
Recent Year 10 Woodwork Projects

Recently some quality new woodwork projects were taken home by students, pictured are Aaron and Bailey with their Sit Up benches, also pictured is Tim with his chair and Darcy with his stool. We would like to thank parents for the payment of elective subject fees, enabling these quality projects to be made.

Ian Dillon
Head Teacher TAS
Belllingen High School
The Da Vinci Decathlon.

I waited in the cool darkness and watched the sets of headlights crawl into the school car park, carrying the precious cargo. The Da Vinci Decathlon team members, adorned in their refined school blazers, mildly sleep deprived but buzzing with excitement and anticipation. It was also exciting for me to think the day had finally arrived and that our regular lunchtime sessions were going to be put to the test. We set off before 6am, with Ms. McAulay behind the wheel and 16 students from Year 7 and 8, destined for Armidale to represent the school for the first time in The Da Vinci Decathlon, a challenge where teams work together to solve complex challenges in ten disciplines: English, Mathematics/Chess, Science, Philosophy, Art/Poetry, Engineering, Creative Producing, Cartography, Code Breaking and General Knowledge.

I assumed a position at the front of the bus. We had not reached Thora store before I realised it was going to be a long trip. I attempted to subdue the excited crowd with Minties, justifying that I would have some silence while they chewed their lollies. Then the sugar high hit. It was 6.40am!

We got to The Armidale School in good time and admired the beauty of its sandstone buildings, manicured gardens and tree lined ovals. It was stunning and we felt as though we were arriving at Hogwart’s, ready to undertake a Trial of Life and Death.

Not long after we arrived and observed our opposition, approximately 30 teams from the Northern Region, I said goodbye to the teams, who were ushered through the large wooden doors into the Great Hall to commence their first session. I waved like a crazed mother, seeing her kids off to their first school camp. I heard the announcer introduce Bellingen High School to the competition, one of only two new schools to compete. I felt a flutter of nerves for them and wished I could be in the Hall, too.

I was escorted to a large room, filled with old, burgundy leather, club lounges. The fire was smouldering and the walls were decorated with plaques and memorabilia of ‘The Old Boys’ and fallen soldiers who were once students of this all boys, private school. I did so want to sink into the deep arms of the chair and curl up with a good book, but I was soon required to start my job for the day; marking the papers of the competition as each session was completed by the contestants.

I saw our teams at their first break. They exited the Hall with flushed cheeks, looking a little weary from the complex challenges set in the first session. We ate quickly and watched the students of the school spill out onto the lawns for their break. Soon, it was time to assume our relative positions again; competing and marking. Lunch was enjoyed under a large Maple tree, the warm sun filtering through the naked boughs and balancing the fresh, crisp wind that cut through our ill-considered, single layers of clothing.
The afternoon went quickly and it was soon time to meet in the Hall for the announcement of the winners. I was eager. I had a good feeling that we would be in for a chance of placing. Third was announced. Not us. Second. No. First place...not Bellingen High School. I looked down from the viewing tier above with a heavy heart and saw some tired, deflated faces. We didn’t come away with a win...this year.

The long drive home was made bearable by the pure, dreamy voices of the girls, singing some Beatle’s classics. Even some ingenious ‘original’ pieces from ‘the boys’ created some entertainment as we left the rolling hills of the plateau and descended the Dorrigo Mountain on sunset. Though we didn’t return from Armidale with a trophy that represented our success, the weary smiles and enthusiasm for next year is evidence enough that we won a lot that day. Our teams conquered the unknown, worked together, embraced difficult challenges and represented the school with pride and positivity. It was a pleasure to share the experience with these great students and I look forward to the future, where we can continue to represent Bellingen High School in such a high level, academic competition.

Ms. Butler GaTS/Excursion Co-ordinator.

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Term 3 in IT

Over the last two months Year 7 IT have focussed on three computer challenges. The first was turning a piece of information into a three columned brochure. They competently followed a list of instructions editing and reformatting the document.

The second challenge was to use the ‘Pivot’ program whereby students create their own animation, incorporating stick figures, animals, objects and even a background. Some excellent work came out of all four classes. Well done?

Finally using the program ‘Movie Maker’ the students were able to edit, clip, add to and redesign a set of clips promoting their Bellunga Valley Resort.

It was great to see such creative talent as students even added music and special effects which looked as good as professional movie makers.

Overall, a very successful term for all of Year 7. Congratulations everyone!

Mrs Van Dam
IT Teacher

Factory Tour

Recently Year 12 Engineering toured W. E. Smith Engineering at Coffs Harbour, taking in the amazing size of the projects being made, such as making pressure vessels for the mines. A great learning experience was had.

Ian Dillon
Head Teacher TAS
Bellingen High School
COFFS HARBOUR AND DISTRICTS RIDING FOR THE DISABLED
OPEN DAY
18 OCTOBER 2015
10AM TO 2PM
@ VALERY TRAILS, 758 VALERY ROAD VALERY
FOR ENQUIRIES PHONE - 0422828222
COME ALONG AND SEE WHAT WE DO FOR THE
DISABLED MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY AND HELP US RAISE FUNDS TO
CONTINUE TO PROVIDE THIS
VALUABLE SERVICE FOR THEM

Great steps for Legacy

Members of the Student Representative Council spent the afternoon in Bellingen on 4 September selling legacy items. The enthusiastic way they went about their work and the positive support from the community of Bellingen contributed to great sales supporting the very valuable Legacy cause.

Paul Holding
Principal
Bring Your Own Device (BYOD)

Wireless connectivity is key to BYOD in schools!
Devices must support 802.11n 5Ghz standard. Make sure it supports both ‘a’ and ‘n’ devices that do not support this standard will not be able to connect to the school network. In this case a wireless adaptor will need to be purchased. Make sure you ask the salesperson for 5Ghz
Mobile phones/Smart phones are acceptable under the School Mobile Phone policy and the direction of the teacher

Suggestions/Recommendations:

- Operating system
  - Windows 7, 8 or later version
  - Apple Mac OS 10.6 or later version
  - at least 4GB RAM
  - Battery life minimum 6 hours
  - Keyboard if purchasing a tablet
  - Recommend Screen 10"
  - Up to date Virus protection
  - Very strong durable carry case
  - Word processing software ie: Windows Office or compatible equivalent
  - Students can download Office 365 for free from a link in their portal

Instructions for these will be available to students at school and on the school website.

Jill Williams
Technical Support Officer

Looking for something different for the kids these holidays

Golf Coaching Clinics Bellingen Golf Club Tuesday September 29 2015

Cost for the day is $8
Programs will run from 8.30am to 2pm
Activities include Putting, Chipping, Pitching, the Full Swing and Modified Golf
Tuition will be provided by Ray Robbins from Jack Newton Junior Golf
The activities have been developed by Golf Australia to be full of fun and entertainment and are simplistic in their nature
This is an ideal opportunity for parents to introduce their sons and daughters to the game of golf
Participants will be registered with Golf Australia and receive their own starting Golflink number
Please contact Ray Robbins on mobile 0409 388 868 or e-mail ray@jnjg.com.au
Bellingen High School

Car Park Safety

The rear car park at Bellingen High School can be a very busy place. The following points are being highlighted to assist with safety and traffic flow. Your assistance will be very much appreciated.

- Parents, visitors and students are to park in the designated area.
- Drop off zone is to be used on school days.
- Staff car park area is not to be used for drop off between the hours of 8am and 4pm on school days.
- Parking and driving on the school ground is at your own risk.
- All drivers should comply with the 10km speed limit on entry to the school grounds.
- Courtesy and patience are also very important parking requirements.

Paul Holding
Principal
Careers News
Year 12 Applying for University
Key Dates 2015/2016

- **Wednesday 30th September**  
  UAC and SRS Close at midnight

- **End of November**  
  SRS Pre offer advice letter sent by most institutions to notify you of the state of your SRS application for your course preferences

- **Monday 30th November**  
  Applicants must have their preferred SRS course as their first preference on UAC

- **Thursday 3rd December**  
  SRS unconditional and conditional offers are released

- **Wednesday 16th December**  
  HSC results released by Board of Studies (make sure you have your Board of Studies number and pin)

- **Thursday 17th December**  
  ATARs released by UAC on website from 9 am (make sure you have your UAC pin)

- **Friday 18th December**  
  ATAR advice notices received from UAC from this date

- **Tuesday 5th January**  
  SRS Conditional offers are converted to unconditional offers for applicants meeting institution criteria

- **Wednesday 20th January**  
  Main Round UAC/SRS offers released

- **Tuesday 2nd February**  
  Round 1 offers released

- **Tuesday 9th February**  
  Round 2 offers released

- **Friday 19th February**  
  Round 3 offers released

**IMPORTANT** – if you are made an early offer through SRS, I would advise you to accept this offer THEN if you wish to be considered for another course at another university based on your ATAR, make sure you change your preferences on the UAC website by midnight on Tuesday 5th January.

*Frieda Gorman*
*Relieving Careers Advisor*

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Lake Ainsworth Sport and Recreation Centre have a number of Holiday Programs for children aged 7-15 these school holidays.

Programs include a Residential Camp, Kids Club, Sailing, Surfing and Laser Skirmish.

For further information please visit our website [www.sportandrecreation.nsw.gov.au](http://www.sportandrecreation.nsw.gov.au) or contact 13 13 02.
G’DAY USA

LIVE WITH AN AMERICAN FAMILY IN JANUARY 2017

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San Diego – San Francisco

G’DAY USA 2017

PROGRAM IS STILL OPEN FOR APPLICATIONS
PLEASE SEE MRS GORMAN FOR DETAILS

@educationalworldtravel
#gdayusa15
Visit: www.ewt.com.au
We are offering a **FREE Workplace Health and Safety White Card** course to students in Years 9 - 11. It will take place on Monday 2nd November at school. This course normally costs $110 and the White Card qualification is necessary for working/doing work experience on a building site. Forms are available from the front office and places will be allocated to the first 20 students to return completed forms.

Year 10 students who selected WHS White Card through the Futures Program have been allocated places on the free course and money will be refunded. It is also available to students in years 9 - 11 who are 15 years old or over. **WE ARE STILL ACCEPTING FORMS BUT THEY WILL BE ADDED TO THE WAITING LIST.**

**Year 10**

Thank you to those who have handed in their completed work experience forms. The school holidays would be an ideal time to approach employers to finalise plans for work experience. Remember the dates are 30th November until 8th December.

**Year 12**

University applications MUST BE FINALISED online by 30th September. Remember Mrs Gorman will be in school on Monday 21st, Tuesday 22nd and Monday 28th of September during the holidays to assist you. Please make an appointment via the Year 12 Facebook Group or just come along.

Yr 12 students Hamish Williams Van Rijn, Olivia Hulbert and Jessica Neiufl attended Southern Cross University's Tourism and Events information lunch recently. Students enjoyed lunch at Attitude Burgers, Coffs Harbour Jetty while finding out details of study options at SCU.

**Freida Gorman**  
**Relieving Careers Advisor**
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**BELLINGEN EEL FISHING COMPETITION**

*Monday 21st Sept to Sunday 27th September*

*Daily winners plus Major Prize & Trophy*
Weigh in each afternoon at 5pm sharp in the park at the Northern end of Bellingen Bridge

*Entry fee - $2 (under 16) - $5 seniors*
(ENQUIRIES - phone Wal Tyson on 6655 1072)

*Bellingen High makes human chain for R U OK? Day*

National R U OK? Day calls on Australia to take a global lead in preventing suicide by making more effort to have regular, meaningful conversations with anyone who might be struggling. At Bellingen High School this year we have held R U OK? days every term. This term students made a human chain spelling out R U OK, participated in lunchtime activities including a treasure hunt, logo competition and received information cards and posters.
As John Steinbeck, Nobel Laureate in Literature, wrote: “No man really knows about other human beings. The best he can do is to suppose that they are like himself.” Getting to know another person, especially one from a different culture, can be exciting, challenging, and has its unique benefits. Department of Education-registered and approved Southern Cross Cultural Exchange (since 1983) is providing such a unique experience to help your children and family learn through bridging cultures, grow closer with one another, understand one another better and see the world in a new light. International exchange students from France, Germany, Italy, Japan, Finland, Denmark and Sweden are arriving in Australia to live as a local with volunteer Australian families and attend a local secondary school. The students, aged 15 – 17, arrive from February 2016 for 3, 5, or 10 months and are fully insured, with their own pocket money. If you have a spare room or bed, and a place at the family table, why not be the “heart” of cultural exchange by becoming a volunteer host family? Expand your world for the whole family – all without any air tickets. Call S.C.C.E. now on 1800 500 501 or email scceaust@scce.com.au or visit www.scce.com.au and ask for our incoming student profiles, choose the nationality you prefer, and start having fun matching up your hobbies and interests. Capture the spirit of fun and friendship, and build your global cultural network. After all, it is different cultures that “make the world go ‘round” at the end of the day.

**Attention Yr 10, 11, & 12 Students**

Do you want to get **active** on Wednesday evenings? Do you want to meet **new people**?

**Under 18’s Hockey is for you!**

New players are **welcome** – Boys and **Girls**  
**Sticks** and **training** provided for all new players

**COST:** $5 each week

**WHERE:** Coffs Coast Hockey Centre, Hogbin Drive

**WHEN:** Wednesday evenings from 6pm

**Contact:** Debbie 0417 429 788  
[dbaldwin665@gmail.com](mailto:dbaldwin665@gmail.com)
On Friday 11 March Year 10 Geography went on an excursion to Sawtell Headland and Coffs Harbour Jetty Beach to complement our Coastal Management unit. The rain stayed away and it was a great day had by all. A range of cross-curricular skills were used throughout the day to observe/measure sand dunes, longshore drift, different types of waves and the sand budget. Students also completed a range of mapping tasks and observed the human developments at the Jetty Foreshore precinct. Many thanks to Mr Snow, Mr Kingsley, Mr Raward and Mr Budd who came along on the day and made the day enjoyable and relevant for students. The students’ behaviour could not be faulted and I think they all now have a better understanding and appreciation of how important it is to look after the coast and be actively involved in local community issues.

Year 10 have an assignment coming up in Week 1 next term where the students are asked to complete a Research Action Plan (RAP) which requires them to report on a local geographical issue such as coastal management, pollution, recycling, river/creek pollution, noxious weeds or feral animals. I encourage students to use the holidays as a time to get creative and start thinking of an issue to study! Happy holidays from HSIE.

Amber Hill
HSIE
The P&C need volunteers to help at the Bellingen Markets on Saturday 17th October.

We need people to help collect donations from 9am - 2:30pm plus we need people to set up from 6am or pack up from 2pm.

If you can help for an hour or more please contact Helen Trist either by email: helen.trist@det.nsw.edu.au or phone 66553486 (Please leave a message, your preferred times to help and a contact).

ALL support will be greatly appreciated.
All monies raised will support our students at BHS.
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- 24 hour supervision
- Instructor led activities
- Accommodation
- Meals
- Supervised transport

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- Instructor led activities
- Meals
- Accommodation
- Use of all facilities i.e. BBQ area, pool, tennis courts etc.

sportandrecreation.nsw.gov.au/familycamps
sportandrecreation.nsw.gov.au/kidscamps
fb.com/nswsportandrecreation  13 13 02

NSW GOVERNMENT | Office of Sport
Sport & Recreation
A new art prize celebrating spirituality

Bellingen Uniting Church is pleased to host the inaugural Spiritual Art Prize and Exhibition, Heart&Soul, an event exploring and celebrating spiritual passion and longing.

Renowned local artist, Richard Campbell, will judge the show. Richard’s art featured in the Canonisation Ceremony of Mary Mackillop and during Pope Benedict XVI’s visit for World Youth Day. His faith and proud heritage as an Aboriginal man and a spiritual inheritor of the land are reflected in his art that relates parallels with Aboriginal spirituality and the Christian faith. Richard will be guest speaker at a forum to reflect on the themes presented in the Exhibition.

- 2015 Theme: “The Music of the Soul” Artists are invited to portray that which inspires, stirs and resonates with their spirit
- Prizes offered in 3 categories: Primary students, High School & Adult Entrants
- Coinciding with the Bellingen Music Festival & Bellingen Markets

When: 19-27 September 2015, 10am-3pm
Where: Bellingen Uniting Church
       Cnr Hyde & Ford Streets, Bellingen
Opens: 19 September, 9.30am with refreshments & presentation of prizes
Forum: 27 September, 9.30am, to continue the conversation around the themes presented in the Exhibition

Further detail & entry form:
http://www.heartandsoul.space
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### Did you know?

- Hippopotomonstrosesquippedaliophobia is the fear of long words
- Owls can’t move their eyeballs
- Your skeleton has about 300 bones when you are born, but only 206 when you grow up
- No words in the dictionary rhyme with orange
- A newborn blue whale can be longer than an adult elephant
- An oyster can take five years just to make one pearl
- Blondes have more hair than brunettes
- The oldest human footprint ever found is 350,000 years old
- Yo-yos rode on two spaceships
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