

NEWSLETTER MACLEAN HIGH SCHOOL

Dates to Remember

25-29 November -Year 10 Heron Island Excursion.

5 December -Presentation Evening Rehearsal. Presentation Evening 6pm-10pm at Yamba Bowling Club.

6 December -SRC Christmas Party & Candy Cane Gram.

9-20 December -Year 11 Hospitality Work Placement.

10 December -Year 10 PASS Kayaking Trip.

12 December -Year 10 PBL Excursion.

13-18 December -End of Year Activities.

18 December -End of Term 4.

19-20 December -Pupil Free Days.

18 December-29 January -School Holidays.

28 January 2020 -Staff Development Day. All staff return to school.

29th January 2020 -Years 7, 11 and 12 students return to school.

30 January 2020 -Years 8, 9 and 10 students return to school.

10 February -P&C Meeting at 6.30pm in the School Library.



Liza Hamilton, Anjanette Warburton and Uncle Ron Heron accepting the Award

Maclean High School Winners of the 2019 Narragunnawali Awards

We are pleased to announce our school was chosen as winner in the schools category of the 2019 Narragunnawali Awards.

Maclean High School Deputy Principal-Instructional Leader Aboriginal Students, Liza Hamilton and Aboriginal Learning Support Officer, Anjanette Warburton along with Yaegl Elder, Uncle Ron Heron attended the awards ceremony held on Ngunnawal Country (Canberra) on Thursday, 14th November.

For Maclean High School the judges commented on a strong and shared enthusiasm for reconcilliation felt right across the school, in classrooms, on the grounds and within the local community, developing deep ongoing relationships with local elders and community members.

Activities Week

Attached to this Newsletter is the Activities Week 2019 Booklet. Please complete the Activities Week Selection Sheet and return to the school by Friday, 29th November. Money for each activity must be paid to the front office no later than Friday, 6th December. There is still plenty of room in each activity, so be quick and reserve your place in the activity of your choice.

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2019 Maclean High School Public Speaking Competition

The Rotary Club of Maclean recently hosted the Maclean High School Public Speaking Competition. Three of the school's best public speakers presented engaging, thought-provoking speeches to a large audience at the Maclean Bowling Club.

Charles Jeffery of Year 7 spoke about the current political relationship between China and the United States. Paris Brailsford of Year 10 delivered a heart felt speech about racism, while Maya Johnson of Year 11 discussed mental health in modern society.

The judges agreed that the content of all three speeches was of a high standard and commented that it was difficult to identify a winner. However, they decided to award first prize to Maya Johnson, who also won last year's competition.

All three students deserve special praise for their fine efforts. Maclean High School would like to thank the Rotary Club of Maclean and the Maclean Bowling Club for their continuing support of public speaking.





New Colourful Signs at Maclean High School

The Positive Behaviour for Learning team (PBL) worked with local business Signcraft to erect new signs around the school grounds. The signs display the core values of the school -Fair, Respect, Effort, Safe and Honest or (FRESH). The group worked with Indigenous members of the school and wider communty to include Yagiir translation on some of the signage. Many thanks to Krystal Randall and Anjanette Warburton for their work.

The signage is to help consolidate a bright and positive message throughout our school. The PBL team held a competition to design one of the signs, which was won by Year 10 student, Maddi Norris. The PBL team would like to thank all involved for their hard work on this project.

Positive Behaviour for Learning team.











Year 7 and Year 8 Music Program

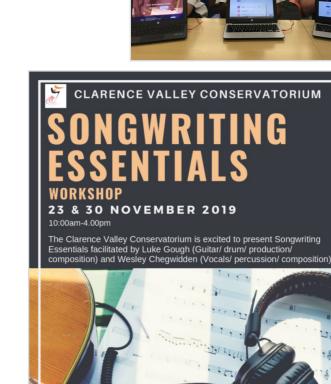
As part of our Music Program students in Year 7 and Year 8 have had the opportunity to experiment with electronic and computer compositions. Using online music programs such as Soundtrap, Soundation and Audacity students are introduced to loops, multitrack recordings and electronic manipulation of sound.

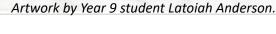
Mr Matthew Fisher.











Workshop cost is \$50 Registration Forms available from our office at 8 Villiers Street or at www.cvcon.com.au **OK NOW**

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NOVEMBER 2019 - 28th November

Canteen Roster November 2019						
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
			Cheryl Jones	Cheryl Jones		
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Kylie Kerr Janet Challis	Vacant	Janet Challis	Cheryl Jones Toni Higgins	Cheryl Jones		
25	26	27	28	29		
Kylie Kerr Janet Challis	Chris Allomes	Kim Pye Gina Sanna	Cheryl Jones Deb Thwaites	Cheryl Jones		

wo helpers are usually required each day to make the day run smoothly We are always on the lookout for new volunteers. If you are able to help please call Danielle on 0473 534614.

UNION STREET FAMILY MEDICAL PRACTICE

PHONE: 0266452255

11 Union Street, Maclean NSW 2463

Dr David Dalgliesh Dr Andrew McNab Dr Navin Menon

We are a General Practice specialising in Adolescence Health, Women's Health & Skin Cancer Medicine & we have a Midwife who specialises in Antenatal Care

OPEN 8.00AM TO 6.00PM

Bulk-billed dental care for most teens and children under 18

Child Dental Benefit Scheme Bulk Billed Here

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Dr. Wayne Hinchcliffe

Dr. Andrew Yong





This activity has been made possible by funding from North Coast Primary Health Network

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Maclean High School, School Hall 9am Monday 2 December, 2019

Come and be part of a new week long MUSIC, SONG and FILM project from the creators of B-TOWN warriors, THE MOB, the COLLY CREW and more...

All community members, young people (12yrs+) and Elders are 100% welcome to contribute, write and perform or even just watch and check it out!

Join us for morning tea and a yarn. Find out more about what we do. Food and drink provided. Come and join the conversation!

www.desertpeamedia.com

Free mental health support for people affected by the bushfires...

Call Healthy Minds

between 8.30am - 5pr Monday to Friday.

Free face-to-face or telephone counselling services with a mental health practitioner, such as a psychologist or mental health social worker, will provide people with strategies and techniques to manage their mental health

Healthy Minds services are available across the



If you're a Mid North Coast or Northern NSW residents who has been affected by the bushfires, you are being encouraged to access free mental health support via the local Healthy Minds program.

The stress of experiencing something such as a bushfire can leave people at a higher risk of developing depression or anxiety, even if they are not directly dealing with loss of property and/or possessions.

"At North Coast PHN, we are coordinating a mental health response that includes widening the elipibility criteria for the Healthy Minds program. Persons affected by the local fires can now book in for free face-to-face Healthy Minds courselling services and do not require a referral from their GP to commence supports." Julie Starges, North Coast PHI

Please note, Healthy Minds is for people experiencing mild to moderate mental health concerns and is not a strias service. If you require immodiate support, please contact Lifelium on 13 TI 14 or Beyond Blue on 1500 22 458. For children under U2 years, call the Kids Helpline on 1800 551 800. Is an emergency, please call 000 or go to your nearest heaptile encogency dispartment.

The intales for Healthy Minds is now being managed by Nearni National through their Cornect to Wellness North Coast program. Connect to Wellbeing North Coast has been made possible by funding from North Coast Primary Health Network.







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Dear Parents/Caregivers

There are a number of families who will be experiencing some difficulty as they have been impacted by recent fire events in this area. If you receive this email or can pass this information on to another parent who may not currently have access to their emails, then please be aware that the school is willing and able to support students and families as they try to recover from these events. If you have been directly affected either through loss of property, livestock/pets or displacement from home, then we can offer assistance to students.

This website <u>https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/school-safety/advice-to-assist-parents-teachers-and-students-following-recent-fires</u> has information for parents, and teachers which may be useful in supporting their child.

Throughout the recent unprecedented weather conditions and bush fire activity, the Department, in conjunction with the Rural Fire Service and State Emergency Services, made informed decisions, which were strongly based on safety considerations, when determining the operational status of each school. The Department of Education has student safety and wellbeing as its highest priorities. Our school was operational and we have made adjustments to our daily routines to minimise exposure to smoke. All students and staff were safe at all times.

Mr Greg Court, Principal.



YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID COURSE

Learn skills and gain confidence to assist young people experiencing mental health problems.



Mental illnesses often start in adolescence or early adulthood and it is important to detect problems early to ensure the young person is properly treated and supported. The YMHFA course teaches adults who have frequent contact with adolescents, such as parents, guardians, school staff, sport coaches and youth workers, how to assist adolescents who are developing a mental health problem, experiencing a worsening of a mental health problem or in a mental health crisis.

If you're interested in attending this course, please use contact details below to enrol. Hurry limited spots available!

Location: Maclean RSL, River Street, Maclean

Date: Wednesday, 5th Feb and Wednesday, 12th Feb 2020 Price: FREE

Instructor/s: Mark McGrath, Principle Master Instructor Contact: Sue Hughes, ourhealthyclarence@nsoa.org.au

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COURSE INFORMATION

The 14-hour Youth Mental Health First Aid (YMHFA) course topics cover:

- developing mental health problems,
- depression,
- anxiety problems,
- psychosis,
- eating disorders
- substance use problems, as well as suicide and other mental health crises.

www.mhfa.com.au

Participants will learn about adolescent development and the signs and symptoms of mental health problems, how and where to get help and what sort of help has been shown by research to be effective. This training has been made possible by

funding from North Coast Primary Health Network .



For more information from Cranes Family and Relationship Services - Term 4 Workshops 2019 just click on the link below. https://maclean-h.schools.nsw.gov.au/community-connections/cranes-family-and-relationship-services.html

Helpline Numbers/Online Resources

Kids Helpline: 1800 551800 or www.kidshelp.com.au
Lifeline: 13 1114 or www.lifeline.org.au
Headspace: 1800 650890 or www.eheadspace.org.au
Beyond Blue: 1300 224636 or www.beyondblue.org.au
Reachout: http://au.reachout.com
Suicide Call Back Service: 1300 659467
WayAhead Directory: http://directory.wayahead.org.au/
Mental Health Telephone Access Line: 1800 011511 (operates 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. It is staffed by clinicians who can provide advice, make referrals and link callers to the Mental Health Service in their local health district).

School Counsellors: Ms Kerrie Bowles and Mr Andrew Allen.

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