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# Bellingen High School NEWSLETTER

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## Year 9 Marine Studies students visit Dolphin Marine Magic

Year 9 Marine Studies students visited Dolphin Marine Magic on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November. The day was very exciting and educational as students were treated to a variety of experiences.

On arrival students watched a couple of Australian fur seals and dolphins perform tricks while learning about their special adaptations that help them to survive in the marine environment. This was followed by a photo opportunity where students got to pose with or kiss a fur seal! The visit ended with a very informative lecture on the importance of marine conservation for the future of our planet.

Overall we had lots of fun and of course learnt lots about many wonderful marine creatures. A special thanks to Ms Hook, Mr Goode and Mr Marquardt for organising the day.



# Bellingen student selected for UNE's Generation2050: Project Feed the World



Mariah Carter, an Agriculture student from Bellingen High School has been selected among the best and brightest across Australia to get a head-start on their journey to become the next generation of industry leaders at the University of New England this summer.

Mariah is among 100 young people from around Australia, selected on merit to attend UNE's inaugural Generation2050: Project Feed the World conference in Armidale on 1<sup>st</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> December.

Generation2050 participants will hear from Australia's leading agronomy, animal science and agribusiness educators about what the future holds for students who take up the challenge in Agriculture, as well as take part in a number of practical activities and hands on visits to farms.

It is estimated that by the year 2050, the global population will have soared to over 9 billion people and the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) has estimated that around 70% more food and fibre will need to be produced by that time.

These 100 students represent a bright new generation who will be responsible for overcoming the challenges of the future. To be involved in Generation2050, Year 10, 11 and 12 students from right across Australia were asked to submit their views on why they think Australian agriculture will be vital to feeding the world in 2050. 180 students from NSW, Victoria, Western Australia, Tasmania, Queensland, South Australia and the ACT entered. With only 100 places available, the selection committee did not have an easy task. Amy Cosby from UNE's School of Environmental and Rural Science says it is exciting to know that these students represent the future of the agricultural sector in Australia.

"We had so many strong and enthusiastic entries and it is wonderful to see so many bright young people who want to pursue careers in this sector," Ms Cosby said. "Generation2050 is about nurturing the passion these young adults have for the industry and providing them with the opportunity to interact with students from all around Australia who have a similar interest. "It really is one of the most important industries in the world – without highly skilled professionals there is no way we could face the food challenges of the future."

For more information on Generation2050 or to find out how to apply, please visit [www.generation2050.com.au](http://www.generation2050.com.au)<<http://www.generation2050.com.au>>



## Bellingen High School

Presentation Day – Whole School Assembly

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December 10.30am (MPC)

All Parents, Family and Friends invited to attend.

*Students are reminded they are to be in FULL school uniform.*





# Ag students head to the Show

A small but enthusiastic group of students took Bell-Hy Stud cattle (This is the stud name for Bellingen High School) to the Dorrigo and Guy Fawkes Agricultural Show. The students, Tamika Bayliss-Auld, Alex Devon, Phillipa O'Reilly, Sharna Davis and Jordan Goolmeeze did an excellent job of showing the 7 Red Poll cattle and every animal won at least one ribbon. Of particular note was Tamika's efforts in leading Bell-Hy Ivan, our 2 month old Red Poll bull calf, to not only best bull, but also supreme exhibit for Red Polls. This result was won against 5 other studs and some 20 other exhibits from these studs.

Bellingen High students also won 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> for best presented animals from schools! An outstanding result considering this event was held in the pouring rain and there were representatives from 4 public high schools and also 3 private schools from Armidale at the show.

Special thanks must go to Mr Bob Hudson, who transported the cattle to and from the show; Ms Lockman, who prepared the animals and show equipment; and Ms Maida Bugg from Buggaree Red Polls Stud, who helped outfit the students and bred the cattle.

*Nick Hiller  
Ag Teacher*



## ATAR BBQ for Year 12 Students

On Friday 20th December 2013, our HSC students will be able to obtain their Australian Tertiary Admission Rank (ATAR). On that day we would like to invite our Year 12 students to come into school to share with us their good news and good fortune or to commiserate and help plan if they are not happy.

We will provide a BBQ lunch at the BBQ area and would love to see as many of our students as possible. This is also helpful for our records as the school does not receive this information.

So, Year 12, it's a date - on Friday 20th December at 1pm, come and celebrate with your friends and teachers.

*Mr Koudela  
Year 12 Advisor*

## The Clappers '13 Update!

My original report omitted a crucial category and outstanding new talent – The winners of the short film category were – Charlie Nelson and Willow Driver, with their beautifully shot “Drop off Point”.

Photo below shows Charlie and Willow collecting their prize. Sorry boys.

Lynda Lane  
CAPA Faculty



Year 7

INDONESIAN

COOKING

with Purwanti

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December

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## *Gold Excursion*

Around 90 students headed off to the Gold Coast early Tuesday morning for our annual Gold Excursion. Keep an eye out next week in our Newsletter for some great action shots of our students at the theme parks!

Julie Taylor/Rob Wickham  
Coordinators

## WANTED

The Industrial Arts Faculty would love an old FM radio or stereo system so that we can work 'to the rhythm' on occasions.

If anyone has one that is not being used or sitting in the shed, we would love to take it off your hands. It can be dropped into our Front Office.

Thank you.



# Year 10 Futures Program

Our Year 10 Futures Program was an outstanding success once more. Bellingen High School would like to take this opportunity to thank the following people and organisations for their valued support and commitment to the Program:

- ☺ NORTEC
- ☺ Youth Directions
- ☺ Key Employment
- ☺ Bellingen Youth Hub
- ☺ Coffs Harbour TAFE Hospitality Dept.
- ☺ Bob Stockton
- ☺ Fernmount Bushfire Brigade
- ☺ Lovebites team (coordinated by Libby Knight)
- ☺ CNS for Organ and Tissue Donation
- ☺ Constable Snow
- ☺ Luke Rhodes
- ☺ SCU Women in Technology
- ☺ Taree TAFE Quad biking, Morris Gallagher
- ☺ The Big Idea
- ☺ Bellingen Council Sustainability Dept.
- ☺ Bellingen Canoe Adventures
- ☺ Surf Lifesaving Association
- ☺ Dr Alayne Simmons
- ☺ Vintage Op Shop/Cafe
- ☺ Nexus Gallery
- ☺ Wi Tuhi Personal Training
- ☺ Joe Cunningham
- ☺ Mark Diem, TAFE Hospitality
- ☺ Jade Belly Dancing
- ☺ Phil Hannaford Driving School







Also thanks for the following staff members for running sessions:

Rebecca Lackey  
Sandy Hamilton  
Nick Hiller  
Keira Hibbert  
Rob Wickham

Patricia Kirk  
Lynda Lane  
Cameron Walmsley  
Lindsay Kingsley  
Jacqui Lee

Cheryl Hook  
Frieda Gorman  
Sue Palmer  
Brigitte Williams  
Fiona McAulay



And finally ..... a big thank you to all Year 10 teachers for their enthusiastic supervision, Jill Williams, Benn Wolhuter, Mark Ferreira, Warren Alford, Kieran Matthews, Katherine Martin, the ladies in the Library, SRC members for a great BBQ plus the SASS Staff for your wonderful support and extra help.

*Jody Newhouse/Frieda Gorman  
Coordinators*

## ***From the TAS Faculty*** **Engineering Day a Tonne of Fun!**

Recently over 80 students participated in the University of Wollongong's Engineering Roadshow which was touring NSW, Bellingen High hosted other regional school students on the day.

The main aims of the workshop were to:

- provide students with an opportunity to explore different aspects of Engineering Technology, in a fun hands-on interactive workshop; and
- provide students with information on how to pursue higher education and the many alternative pathways into University.

Activities on the day included testing of beams, driver training on an open-wheeler racer simulator, water flow experiments, milkshake making using pedal power, a cleaner coal experiment and examining the importance of friction.

It was great to see two ex-Bellingen High students who had finished their Engineering degrees, Matt Gaité and Jack Mendam (pictured right), helping out with presentations on the day.





*Ian Dillon - Head Teacher TAS*

## Formal Assembly

Congratulations to all students who were presented with awards/certificates at our Formal Assembly on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November. Recipients were students who entered the Maths Competition (top photo) and the Horsepower Program at Valery Trails. Our students and staff were also entertained by musicians from Year 9. Well done and congratulations!





# ***Year 9 into 10 2014 Girls Camp***

Girls are reminded that their Camp permission notes are overdue. Please ensure forms are returned together with deposit to the Front Office ASAP. We would really like everyone to make the effort to come along to this highly beneficial, fun few days.

Camp costs are heavily subsidised by the school. If there is a problem with payment, please contact Mrs Gorman to work out a payment plan. Thank you.

*Frieda Gorman  
Year 9 Year Advisor (Girls)*

## ***Sport News***

### **Student selected in North Coast Cricket Team**

Congratulations to Jessica Marks who was selected in the North Coast cricket team to play at the NSW State Titles early in 2014. Jess is an extremely talented cricketer with the focus and dedication to go with it. Well done!



## **Junior Boys Cricket**

There was much excitement in the ranks of the Junior Boys Cricket team last Thursday (28<sup>th</sup> November) as they headed to Kempsey to play arch rivals Melville High in the semi-final of the North Coast Cricket tournament. Although the opposition was stacked with regional and state representative players, the boys knew they had numerous "gun" players in batsmen, bowlers, fielders and water-bottle carriers.

As usual, they lost the toss and were sent into field. Their bowlers pressed hard and threw down quickies, slowies and spinners trying to rattle the Melville batsmen. At drinks break they had them 5 for 77 and were feeling good - especially after the Freddo Frogs Mr B gave out. Unfortunately the lower order batsmen dug in deep, smashed a number of 4s, and finished all out for 149.

There was still good energy as Bellinghen openers took to the field, but this soon decreased as more of the boys made their way back to the grandstand either lbw, caught or bowled. The final score did not reflect their inability to bat well but showed more the awesome bowling skills of their top 4 bowlers (some in the crowd

said the Melville boys reminded them of the Dennis Lillee, Len Pascoe, Jeff Thompson and Max Walker combination for Australia in the 1980's!!)

In the end, Bellingen boys played with class, determination, sportsmanship and were gracious in defeat. To advance to the semi-finals was a tremendous achievement and they should be acknowledged for this. The team has developed well this season and we look forward to seeing how they match up again in the 2014 season.

## Futsal - 14's girls perform solidly

The 14 years girls travelled to Runaway Bay to compete at the Australian Futsal Titles from 22<sup>nd</sup> - 24<sup>th</sup> November. The girls had five new team members mixed with four members from last year all looking forward to the challenge. They started the competition strongly with a 3-2 win over Maclean High School in what was a very good game. Unfortunately, following this game the girls found it harder to find the net and despite some good displays went down 2-3 to Clontarf High, 0-2 to Assisi College (the eventual winners), 0-2 to Southern Cross Catholic College and 0-3 to Mt Alvernia High. All the games were close and at this level the difference between scoring and just missing is crucial. Many of the girls will still be eligible for this age group next year so will learn a lot from this experience.



Photo

*Back row (left to right)*

Gaia Malcisi, Jasmin Nolan,  
Hannah Watt, Katelyn Wolfe,  
Liz Hoy

*Front Row (left to right)*

Sarah Ludwig, Natasha Clancy,  
Jazz Brightwell, Katie Thorn,  
Zali Rees

This was the last Futsal team to attend the Australian Championships. Four teams - the 19 years boys and girls, the 15 years boys and the 14 years girls missed out on the semi-finals, with the 16 years girls falling just short of being Australian Champions finishing runners up in their age division. These teams could not have enjoyed this opportunity without a lot of help. A big thank you goes to all the parent helpers, Community Transport, for use of their vehicles, and especially Bellingen Diggers Swimming Club for their generous support of these teams.





## Keeping your kids safe online this holiday season

Between the last minute shopping rush and the impending arrival of family and friends, you've got enough on your plate this holiday season without worrying about what your kids are up to online.

You can't keep your eye on them 24/7, but there are some steps you can take to ensure your kids are safe online when you're not around. Telstra brings you some tips when putting that tablet under the tree:

1. Talk with your kids about their digital lives. Create conversations and stay involved.
2. Ask your children how they use technology and try it for yourself – try playing a game or uploading a video together.
3. Explain the rules of responsible device ownership.
4. Protect personal information – teach your children how to turn on privacy settings.
5. Encourage children to 'think before they click', to think about content and the consequences of posting it.
6. Be an offline supporter. Encourage kids to have some screen-free time each day and turn off devices at bedtime.
7. Teach kids to treat others the same way they'd like to be treated online and be zero-tolerant to rude or mean online behaviour.
8. Make the most of parent controls on devices.
9. Let your children know you're always there for them – assure them that their internet privileges won't be taken away if they are exposed to content that makes them feel uncomfortable or concerned.
10. Don't just talk about the right thing to do; be a role model with your own digital habits.

Above all, have a fun and safe holiday season!

For more information about keeping the family safe online visit: [telstra.com.au/cyber-safety](https://telstra.com.au/cyber-safety)

### Get your own cyber safety kit:

With Christmas stockings tipped to be brimming with technology this year, Telstra is reminding people to include cyber safety tips as stocking stuffers to ensure technology gifts are being used safely and sensibly – by young and old.

The Cyber Safety kits, available free from Telstra's website, aim to teach children and parents, teens and grandparents (both the cyber savvy and new learners) how to avoid common pitfalls, including identity fraud, shopping scams and cyberbullying.



## Staying safe online this holiday season

Celebrations and social media go hand-in-hand these days! This holiday season there will be heaps of opportunities to post selfies with besties and Instagram all your memories. While you should have fun, remember that anything you put on social media is there for all to see.

If you're unwrapping a new mobile, tablet or computer this Christmas, make sure your seasonable updates are memories for the right reasons. To celebrate the holidays, Telstra's asking you to keep these tips in mind and have a great school break:

- 1) Protect your personal information. Turn up privacy settings, use strong passwords, change them regularly and don't share them.
- 2) Think before you click – think about content and the consequences of posting it.
- 3) Remember, your phone doesn't rule your life! Have some screen-free time each day and turn off devices at bedtime.
- 4) Treat others as you'd like to be treated online.
- 5) Talk to an adult you trust if you or someone you know is being cyberbullied or you see something online that upsets you.
- 6) Make your online presence a positive one; if you don't like what people are saying, don't engage.
- 7) Make sure your security software is up-to-date.
- 8) Download apps from reputable sources and turn on automatic updates.
- 9) Don't click on suspicious links in emails, posts, texts or tweets, just delete them.
- 10) Respect copyright. Acknowledge videos, words or music you use when posting.

Above all, have a fun and safe holiday season!

**CYBER SAFETY TIPS FOR ALL THE FAMILY**

LET YOUR CHILDREN KNOW YOU'RE ALWAYS THERE FOR THEM

**BE A ROLE MODEL**

TURN OFF DEVICES AT BEDTIME

THINK BEFORE YOU CLICK

TURN ON PRIVACY SETTINGS

TREAT OTHERS THE SAME WAY YOU'D LIKE TO BE TREATED ONLINE

IT'S HOW WE CONNECT

The infographic features a central illustration of a man carrying a girl on his shoulders and a boy with a soccer ball. The background is light blue with various icons: a smartphone, a mouse with a question mark, and a padlock. The text is arranged around these icons and the central illustration.



# Nambucca Juniors 2014



## Registration Day

**WHERE** Coronation Oval Nambucca Heads

**WHEN** 15 February 2014

**TIME** 10am to 2pm

***Games and Activities on the Day!!***

Need any more information contact Shane Eadie on 0411 458 910 or google NHJRLFC

***"Where everyone gets a game"***



Caring for Families of Deceased Veterans since 1928

COFFS HARBOUR  
**Legacy**

**Coffs Harbour  
Legacy Bursary  
Opportunity  
2014**

Coffs Harbour Legacy will offer Bursary opportunities to students graduating Year 12 and enrolling in Tertiary studies in 2014. Applications are available to students enrolled in high schools located within the Coffs Harbour and Bellingen Local Government Areas. One successful applicant from each school will be awarded \$1000 to assist with tertiary education expenses in 2014. Applicants must be a child or grandchild of a returned Ex-service man or woman as defined by the Department of Veteran Affairs.

For further information please phone the Coffs Harbour Legacy office on 6652 7583 or email [activities@chlegacy.com.au](mailto:activities@chlegacy.com.au).

***Applications close 28 February 2014***

## myFamilyLaw

myFamilyLaw is a free family law app where you can submit your family law query to a real family lawyer in your State in Australia.

Also find information about divorce, property settlement, parenting arrangements, child support, family violence and your financial future.

You can also use myFamilyLaw to find and connect with family law professionals, view inspiring motivational quotes and attend family activities listed in myFamilyLaw Events.

[myfamilylaw.net.au](http://myfamilylaw.net.au)



# Bellingen High School

## Anti-racism Policy Statement

Bellingen High School rejects racism in all its forms. Our school is committed to the elimination of racial discrimination, including direct and indirect racism, racial vilification and harassment.

If your child feels that they are the victims of racism the incident or matter can be resolved by reporting it to the Anti-Racism Officer in our School. The Officer will then instigate an investigation based on the Grievance Procedures flow chart below.

All New South Wales schools are monitored by the Department of Education and Communities as an ongoing part of the Anti-racism Policy implementation across the State.

### Anti-racism Grievance Procedures

#### **Step 1: Making a complaint**

Contact Officer will:

- ❖ obtain details
- ❖ inform person(s) of process and rights

#### **Step 2: Investigating the complaint**

Senior Officer and Contact Officer will:

- ❖ interview both parties
- ❖ seek resolution
- ❖ write report for Principal and recommend action

#### **Step 3: Making a decision**

Principal or Senior Officer will:

- ❖ decide on action and inform both parties
- ❖ inform both parties of right to appeal

#### **Step 4: Appeal**

Next most senior officer will:

- ❖ review material
- ❖ discuss with person appealing
- ❖ attempt resolution
- ❖ decide on action and inform all parties

#### **Step 5: Further action**

Principal or Senior officer will:

- ❖ monitor situation regularly



# WHAT TO DO IF I AM BULLIED

If I feel hurt or upset by what someone else has said, written or done.

I tell a teacher or my Year Advisor

or

A friend tells my teacher or Year Advisor

or

I use the Bully Box in the Library

## First Report

Teacher will tell the bully to stop and help work out the problem.  
My Year Advisor and Mrs Gorman will be informed.

## Second Report

Mrs Gorman or my year Advisor will help me work out a solution.  
The bully will be given a warning by Mrs Gorman.

I may want to talk to the School Counsellor

## Third Report

Mrs Gorman will inform the Deputy Principal.  
The bully will be given a warning by the Deputy Principal

My parents may be involved

## Fourth Report or IF I AM IN DANGER

Deputy principal or Principal will interview the bully.  
Bully may be suspended.

I will receive continued support from teachers, Mrs Gorman, Counsellor and Deputy Principal

## DATES TO REMEMBER

DECEMBER	MARCH
9 Year 6 into 7 Parent Info Night – 6.30pm	10 P&C Meeting – 7pm
11 Year 7 Indonesian Cooking	20 School Photographs
13 Presentation Day Assembly – 10.30am	20-25 CAPA Excursion – Sydney
13 Years 7 to 10 Reports Issued	APRIL
18 End Term 4	11 End Term 1
20 Year 12 ATAR BBQ	28 School Development Day
JANUARY 2014	29 Term 2 Commences
28 School Development Day	MAY
29 Students in Years 7, 11, 12 start	12 P&C Meeting – 6.30pm
30 Students in Years 8, 9, 10 start	13-15 NAPLAN Test
FEBRUARY	JUNE
5 Swimming Carnival	9 Queens Birthday Holiday
9-11 Year 10 Girls Camp	16 P&C Meeting – 6.30pm
10 P&C Meeting – 7pm	19-21 School Musical
	24-26 Quirindi Visit
	27 End Term 2

## HSC Assessment Task Schedule – Term 4

WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
10	Modern History	*Maths General *Maths Advanced *Maths Ext 2		Food Technology	*Maths Ext 1 *CAFS *Music
*All students check, some tasks may not be on this calendar yet.					

## Horse Gear For Sale

5'6" Cotton ripstop rug \$8

5'6" Canvas ripstop lined \$10  
(needs legstrap fixed)

5'3" Combo canvas lined rug \$15

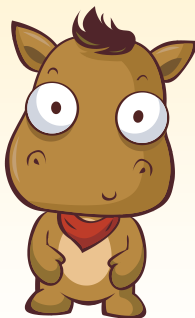
4'6" Cotton ripstop rug \$8

Full neck rug cotton ripstop \$8

Full neck rug cotton \$4

Cob neck rug cotton \$4

Cob neck rug canvas ripstop \$8



Cob hood cotton ripstop \$8

Pony neck rug canvas ripstop \$10

Tail bags cotton ripstop x 3 \$4 each

Bits (Tom Thumbs/snaffle/jointed/  
copper) from \$10

Pony Bridles x 3 (PVC) \$10 each

Red & White (PVC) halter pony \$10

Rubber Bell Boots \$8

Oxbow Stirrups \$5

**Plus lots more gear - Phone Amanda on 0428 239 259**