Great Teaching Inspires Learning

Teaching is the single most important in-school influence on student performance. By attracting the best people into teaching degrees and better supporting them once they enter the classroom we will continue to lead educational performance in Australia and improve our standing internationally. As a leader in education, there is a change in the air about the way teachers are recruited and enter the teaching profession.

The Department has also announced the new Teach.Rural scholarship program which will start taking applications next month from talented students who will commit to teach at rural and remote schools in 2014. Starting with 20 scholarships, a further 50 will be offered in following years. "Each scholarship provides $6,000 for every year of full-time study, plus $5,000 after graduation and the new teachers are guaranteed permanent full-time employment with the Department in an identified rural or remote location.”

I look forward to welcoming more wonderful young teachers into our system. I encourage some of our best and brightest to consider a teaching career. We are very fortunate that at our school we have an outstanding staff and we believe our students are worth the best.

Leading the way... showing you belong

Uniform symbolises a sense of belonging. From the football team...to the St George Bank ladies... to our great high school... uniform tells us that we are part of a team. To ensure we keep our uniform relevant and workable. We are holding a Uniform Focus Group which will take place on Wednesday 30th October at 3.30pm.

Those students, parents and staff who indicated that they are keen to discuss uniform will receive invitations. All are welcome. We will review the survey results, make recommendations and review promotion of good uniform and a sense of belonging. I would like to seek a local photographer to create a range of great photos of students looking contemporary, proud and groovy - totally in school uniform. These will be published throughout the school as a reminder of quality people dressed to learn.

App of the Week

Do you struggle to understand your child's homework? Does your child need to practise their spelling and times tables? Are you looking for inspiration for projects and assignments? The free School A to Z app is an essential tool for every parent of school-aged children.

Before you...

THINK...

T = is it True?
H = is it Helpful?
I = is it Inspiring?
N = is it Necessary?
K = is it Kind?

$15,000 for Ulladulla High School

As mentioned in last week’s newsletter Ulladulla High is a $15,000 NAB Schools First Seed Funding winner for our community partnership with Shoalhaven City Council – Bush Care. Still in its infancy, the winning titled “No Go Land to Go Go Land” is a student led project between our school and Shoalhaven City Council Bush Care. The partners are developing an Environmental Management Plan and a Bush Care Action Plan which will transform an environment in danger into a school and community learning resource.

The opportunity was initially identified by our Student Environmental Council (SEC) who saw a need to regenerate a bush reserve on school land. The reserve has many environmental, recreational and educational values, both existing and potential. Our Bush Care partner (Shoalhaven City Council Bush Care) identified the need to involve more local youth in the promotion of sustainable practises.

The project has created educational opportunities across all key learning areas (KLAs) with 2 faculties already embedding it in their curriculum programs. These faculties are Construction and Science with Visual Arts, HSIE and Mathematics already expressing an interest from a survey handed out last year. SCC Bush Care see the partnership as an opportunity to empower young people to develop sustainability skills which can be passed down to new young people as they enter the high school. Aboriginal students will have an opportunity to create a space where students can learn about Aboriginal culture, where special Aboriginal events can be held and the development of a bush tucker garden can take place. TAFE very recently came on board and see the opportunity to establish a mentoring program between young adults studying horticulture and school students.

The win is part of the $2 million for this year’s NAB Schools First awards, which recognise and celebrate outstanding school-community partnerships from around the country.

The Head of Education – Corporate Responsibility at NAB, says the community should be incredibly proud of Ulladulla High School’s achievements.

“Judges have noted that with each year of NAB Schools First awards, the calibre of applications becomes increasingly high. The bar continues to be raised and Ulladulla High School’s partnership is no exception,” she said.

Driver Ed Program

This week Year 11/12 will participate in a valuable Driver Education Program. Group 1 take part this week, beginning 22nd October and Group 2 29th October. Each group starts their program on their allocated Tuesday morning at school. Wednesday they are to meet at the Ulladulla Ex Servos Club at 9am for the day and on Thursday will travel from UHS at 6am for Marulan Driver Training Centre. Thank you to all the people and organisations in the community who make this event possible to help keep our students safe on the roads.

Ready to welcome prospective students for Year 7 2014

Year 6 students from Ulladulla and Milton Primary Schools, as well as St Mary’s Star of the Sea, will be at Ulladulla High School this Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday - for a taster experience of high school. They will be doing woodwork, a cooking class and science experiments. It’s a positive and fun day for the Year 6 students. This is also a great chance for the students to become familiar with UHS. Many thanks to all primary staff involved and a special thank you to Mrs Bingham, Mrs Murdoch, Mr Smith, Mr Westerway and Mrs Smith for their support and delivery of the lessons.

Have a great day!

Michael Matuschka
Relieving Deputy Principal

Thank you Mr Knight for, once again, coming to Ulladulla High and shearing the sheep in the Ag plot. We are sure they appreciate it too with the hot weather looming!
Uniform Shop
OPEN WEEKDAYS
Monday - Friday  7.30am-9.30am
Entry available through lower St Vincent Street gates
Dial 152 on intercom to request gates to be opened

Options of Payment:
- Cash or Eftpos or Credit card, Mastercard, Visa
  (parent/guardian to make purchase in person)
- No Layby and NO PERSONAL CHEQUES accepted
- Retain receipts for exchanges and tax purposes
- Online ordering and payment - go to
  www.daylightsportswear.com/ulladulla and set up your
  account profile to place your order

Uniform price list can be found on our website
http://www.ulladulla-h.schools.nsw.edu.au

You are invited to...
UHS Uniform Focus Meeting
Wednesday 30th October
3.30pm in Admin Building
All Welcome

Canteen News

Menu Updates:
Mondays:
Welcome Back Chicken & Gravy Rolls $3
(No chicken burgers on Mondays)

Fridays:
Chicken Burgers $3 now available recess & lunch
Free Vegemite Toast available Tuesday and
Thursday mornings thanks to the SRC
volunteers and Ulladulla Anglican Church

Check on http://www.ulladulla-h.schools.nsw.edu.au
for the Canteen menu & pricelist
and get your lunch orders in before 9am
Canteen phone number is now 4455 1799 Ext 149

Canteen Meeting Tuesday 29th October
3.15pm in Canteen. All welcome!

P&C Meeting Report
Last Monday evening Mr Matuschka presented information
on the NAPLAN results for Ulladulla High School. His
presentation was very much appreciated by all who attended
and a lively discussion ensued.
Our next meeting is Monday 11th November and Mr Craig
Murdoch from the Special Education Unit will give P&C an
update.

NAPLAN results have been handed out to Year 7 & 9 students
in roll call. The results for our students were very positive.
However, if you would like to discuss an individual result or
you have any concerns, please phone Michael Matuschka on
Ph: 4455 1799

Who we are - Where we live...

Uniform Swap Shop
Open Tuesdays 8.30am-9am
Location: J7 demountable
entry via South Street gates nearest to Camden St
Needed urgently - UNIFORM SKIRTS

Students of the Week

Samantha S, Year 9, for her
passion for learning and
enthusiasm for the potential of
young people to really make a
difference. Samantha does make a
difference at this school because
she has been a positive influence
in teachers and students lives.

Heimanu P, Year 12, is a
dedicated student who works at
times to attain the best results
that he can. Heimanu's good
sense of humour and
camaraderie are assets at UHS.

Congratulations to Samantha
and Heimanu.
Keep up the good work!

We look forward to bringing you next week’s
students of the week!

Promotion Roll Call
CHS Athletic Medals
A small number of athletes travelled to the Combined High School Athletic Championships held at Sydney’s Olympic Park late last term. Thank you to parents for taking our athletes to the carnival and representing Ulladulla High School and South Coast. For a small team of ten they yielded some fantastic results.

Jed F 3000m 3rd  
Lilly B 3000m 13th  
Travis W 800m 3rd  
Kristin K 400m 2nd and 400m hurdles 2nd  
Gus F 800m 2nd and 1500m 3rd  
Taryn L 200m 14th, Long Jump 3rd and Triple Jump 4th  
Haydn G Discus 19th  
Liam K, Travis W, Joel B, Liam B 13 Years Boys 4 x 100m Relay Team 9th :

Taryn and Kirstin were selected to compete at the NSW All Schools Championships recently and we are extremely proud of their results (which Promotion Roll Call reported in the article below).

Congratulations to all our athletes and we look forward to another competitive year in 2014.

Mr. Pearson, Head Teacher PDHPE

Athletics at the Top Level

Two weekends ago Taryn L and Kirstin K competed at the NSW All Schools Athletics Competition in Homebush Sydney Olympic Park. They represented our Ulladulla High School after placing in the top three at state level last term. Taryn placed 5th in triple jump and 6th in long jump, making the final of both events. Kirstin placed 1st in the 400m hurdles, meaning that she has made the NSW team to compete in Townsville for nationals, she also placed 3rd in the 400m running.

A big congratulations to both of our girls! It was an excellent day, with both Taryn and Kirstin very proud of their achievements.

By Promotional Roll Call

STOP PRESS
Huan L Year 11/12 has taken 2nd place in the region for VET Construction at the WorldSkills titles, which took place in Warrawong last week. He will now compete at the State Finals, to be held in Sydney next year. Congratulations to Huan - and good luck in the finals!