We welcome Year 7 2014...or do I say... Year 12 Class of 2019 to UHS!
This week our fabulous school has opened its doors to prepare our newest students to the workings and structures of our school in preparation for 2014. All the students were guided around the school, had opportunity to view all of our specialist rooms and our fabulous facilities, and best of all had the opportunity to talk to our current students who were very happy to share their inspiring words. The comments I heard many times were “students are very excited and really looking forward to going to high school” and “Our students are much more relaxed since our visit as it is no longer the unknown”.

At UHS we value kindness as a top priority
As we draw closer to the final week of our 2013 school year, it is important to remember what is really important and reflect on what has been learnt.

The highlights for 2013 for me have been our unrelentless focus to tackle students who are unkind to others. Through the String Movement and proactive ways our students have embraced the need to disarm bullies and build a culture of warmness and kindness. Over the year we have celebrated the need to join forces to ensure that every student is included and has a sense of belonging in our school. We will continue to enhance this strategy in 2014.

Our Classrooms building for global success
The second highlight is the growing awareness of the need for our classrooms to be different, engaging and world class through critical thinking, collaborative activities and a focus on understanding the information technology tools that are so much a normal part of our life. Our students and teachers are navigating the digital world to enhance the world skills of Asia Literacy, world networking, cultural empathy and human connections across the immense extremities of our globe.

This is illustrated continually in all the programs we lead at UHS. The recent cultural trip to Macksville enhancing our understanding and real world connections.

Preparing for Exceptional Learning in 2014
Begin to Set the Scene
“We think about the future in a way that no other animal can, does, or ever has, and this simple, ubiquitous, ordinary act is a defining feature of our humanity”

Will the universe conspire to make your dreams come true if you imagine them? Although we may not live out every wish or have time to stroll down every path that presents itself, we can always try! Listography is a fun way to provide inspiration and fun that comes with pondering the road ahead.

Making your LISTS will make a nice map of all that you want to experience some day and I hope your are able to check off many of them. Start with a LIST:
List the things you want to ‘Accomplish in 2014’.

List appealing qualities you’d like to cultivate in yourself.
List things you’d love to learn to make with your own two hands.
Good luck with your map!

Principal’s message continued over the page
Ulladulla High in Good Hands

Last week was ‘First Aid Week’ (Surf Life Saving) for Year 10. Eighty two students CPR’d, bandaged, risk assessed and obtained their First Aid Certificates. This is a valuable achievement/document for our students, but more importantly it could give them the confidence to deal with different situations - whether an emergency or just cuts, sprains or strains.

The presenters were excellent, they worked hard to make it both educational and entertaining.

They raved about how lovely our students were… Well done!

Congratulations to those who participated, you did us proud and thank you to the parents and teachers who supported this program.

Donna Cattanach
Year 10 Adviser

Duke of Edinburgh’s Award on offer in 2014

The Duke of Edinburgh’s Award is an award scheme designed to help youth achieve goals set by them. The program is very flexible and inclusive. It allows participants to pursue their own interests and challenge themselves in new ways. Mrs Lenell Hollywood in Mara Staffroom is coordinating the program. The recruitment process is expected to begin before the end of this year and participants will begin the Bronze level program in Term 1, 2014.

The program will be run mostly in school time. Participants will have regular group meetings and the expedition component will be held in Term 4, 2014.

If you are going to be in Year 9 in 2014 and are interested or would like more information, please contact Mrs Hollywood by email lenell.hollywood@det.nsw.edu.au or check out the Duke’s website at www.dukeofed.com.au

OUR community, we THANK YOU

We showcased out talented Hospitality students at our ‘Friends of the School’ luncheon. All the students and staff who were involved were absolutely outstanding. Thank you to our wonderful community who are supporting us every day.

From all the staff and students, the very best for Christmas and a great 2014.

(More photos inside newsletter.)

Last word...

‘O’ for Opportunity: if it’s camping you like, join Duke of Ed; if it’s singing, join our choir; if it’s playing the ukulele, see our Music Faculty; if it’s caring about our environment then join the Student Environment Council. You get out of school, as much as you put in. Take every opportunity to learn something new everyday.

Have a great week!

Denise Levi, Principal

App of the week

OUR MOBILE WEBSITE, the ‘on the go’ version!
Ulladulla High School Mobile Website. Ideal for ipad and phone. Get the latest newsletters and all your news.

Competition to design UHS House Logos

for our new Dhurga language House names: Bara, Daringyan, Gawura and Guruwin

Prize is a $50 itunes voucher

Come to Budjan Staffroom and ask Mrs Sinden for an information sheet.

Your chance to be creative and famous when we choose your logos for the Ulladulla High School Sports Houses!

BE IN IT TO WIN IT
Uniform Shop
OPEN WEEKDAYS
Monday–Friday 8.00-10.00am
Entry through lower St Vincent Street gates
(Dial 152 on intercom to request gates be opened)

Last day for Uniform Shop is Wednesday 18th Dec
Uniform Shop opens again Thursday 16th Jan
Check UHS website for dates in January

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

Research shows ‘Wearing uniform reduces peer pressure, raises a school’s pride, assists in discipline problems, gears focus more to learning, creates a more work-like atmosphere and leads to less distractions.’

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

From Canteen

Specials every day including hot cooked
$3 meals + vegetarian slice $2.20
Fried Rice only $2 + Jelly $1
Fresh fruit $1.20

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 4454 1758 or Ph 4455 1799 Ext 149

P&C News

Last meeting of the year Monday 9 December
7pm in the Library (short meeting followed by our Xmas party - if the regulars could please bring a plate)

Presentation Night 16th December
P&C look forward to providing the supper for Presentation Night, thanks to Lynda Sayers, Kim Payne and her band of volunteers. We will also be selling raffle tickets and the door and would love your support. Prizes include:
Ulladulla Leisure Centre 20 free swims
5 Double Passes to Michael Edgley’s Great Moscow Circus (at Batemans Bay in January)
4 Family day passes to Sydney Observatory
6 lots of 6 Civic new release movie or game hire vouchers
2 Funland $20 passes
Dunn Lewis—2 Bowling Passes
Double pass to Arcadia Cinemas, Ulladulla
Bunnings $50 Voucher
+ a surprise prize
Lots of prizes to be won thanks to all the above wonderful sponsors! Thank you Thank you Thank you

Uniform Swap Shop
Open Tuesday 8.30am-9am
Located in J7 demountable
entry via South Street gates nearest to Camden St

Changes in 2014
Uniform SWAP SHOP will open FRIDAYS 8.30-9.00am and will be located behind Canteen
Swap Shop will also open 17th, 23rd and 28th January 9-11am

We rely on donations of clean prelove uniform items - please leave at Reception or Student Services, or the Uniform Shop. Thank you.

Who we are - Where we live...

Year 10 Photography took this photo at Milton

Students of the Week

Corey B, Year 9, always has a friendly and positive attitude. Corey is really good at focusing in class and getting the job done so that there is time for fun!

Congratulations to Zoe and Corey.
Keep up the good work!
We look forward to bringing you next week’s students of the week!
Promotion Roll Call
ANZAC Scholarship Winner

David R, Year 10, has received this prestigious award from the NSW Premier’s office, which will take him on a trip to Korea in April 2014 to tour the South Korean battlefields (over a two week period).

We interviewed David and his words were “I am extremely keen and honoured to get this award and am absolutely ‘pumped’. Part of the award is to share my experiences on my return and it will give me great pleasure to do so. I would like to thank the HSIE Faculty for their assistance in helping with my application.” This is a unique opportunity and we wish David an exciting trip and look forward to hearing all about it on his return! Congratulations David.

Real World Connections

Five Year 10 students attended the ENGAGE ASIA Immersion workshop on Monday 2nd and Tuesday 3rd of December at ANU (Australian National University) in Canberra.

Students attended intensive Japanese language classes, met students from different Asian backgrounds, attended lectures about Australia's future as part of Asia and were immersed in cultural workshops which explored different aspects of South East Asia.

It was extremely enjoyable and the students' behaviour was a credit to Ulladulla High School. The excursion was organised by Hiromi Bishop and students were supervised by Louise Morgan.

A little spoof poem based on "To be or not to be"

**Sport-Soliloquy**

To choose soccer or cricket?
That is the question
To be kicking or catching?
Both bring joy, but which one more?
Would I regret to choose just one?
But both I love!
To run or not to run?
To hit or not to hit?
That is the question
Please pray tell, I say!

By Bethany Nielsen

Our PDHPE students surfing... what a wonderful paradise we live in!
UHS Say THANK YOU to our wonderful community members who volunteer their time for the benefit of our students

The Year 11/12 Hospitality - Food & Beverage were responsible for Front of House service plus the design and setting up of the venue at the Friends of the School Luncheon last Thursday. Year 10 Food Technology students developed and designed the menu and were responsible for the food production. A thank you to Mrs Murdoch, Mrs Curry (teachers) and Mrs Bingham (Assistant) under whose guidance the students flourished! And as you can see from the smiling faces, the community members enjoyed an exemplary luncheon! Everyone did a fantastic job.

Understanding climate change
Is your child learning about climate change at school? CSIRO’s scientists are learning how the earth’s climate system works through observation, measurement and modelling. Find out more: http://www.csiro.au/Outcomes/Climate/Understanding.aspx

Word clouds
Has your child made a word cloud yet? It’s a great idea for adding to book reports, assignments and even for revision. Cut and paste a big slab of the text into a Wordle for a visual summary of the major themes. Create a Wordle: http://www.wordle.net/

Natural disasters
Is your child studying the science behind natural disasters? The science assignment starter gives interesting links and resources that explain the causes of disasters such as earthquakes, tsunamis and volcanoes. Science assignment starters: http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/other-subjects-and-projects/science/natural-disasters-project

Ready for high school
Just to let you know that the Transition to high school, Ready for High School Checklist is now available in 36 languages. Search by language: http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/languagesupport/documents/start_ss/rfhsc.php

A Marine Studies Class in action!
**Community News**

Free Skateboard Clinics - Hubs South Coast Summer 2013/14
Come and check out some awesome skateboarding events!
*Skateboards and helmet provided if you don’t have one!*

- **Wednesday 8th Jan** Batemans Bay Skatepark 10am-12pm
- **Sunday 12th January** at Ulladulla Skatepark 1-3pm
- **Saturday 11th Jan** Sth Durras Skatepark 1-3pm

Registrations require parent/guardian signature
For further info/event updates visit SBA.ORG.AU/HUBS

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**Girls Go Surfing Day**
with Pam Burridge Surf Schools rescheduled to **Saturday 14th December**

**Where:** to be confirmed

**When:** 8-11am  **Cost $55** (incl showbag from Rip Curl and all equipment supplied)  Ph 0409 767 176
Check info and updates on Facebook  Pam Burridge Surf Schools

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**Trades Taster Summer School 13th-17th January**
Get a head start on your career in Construction, Engineering, Automotive, Horticulture, Hospitality
Register and pay by Fri 13/12  www.illawarra.tafensw.edu.au or Phone 1300 766 123  TAFE Illawarra Institute

**Host Families Needed**

*Experience another culture, make new friends, improve your language studies at home*

The following are not-for-profit organisations who find host families for students from all over the world:
- World Education Program/Student Exchange  Ph 1300 884 733  Visit www.wep.org.au
- Student Exchange Australia NZ Ltd Ph (02) 99970700  www.studentexchange.org.au
- Southern Cross Cultural Exchange Ltd Ph 1800500501  www.scce.com.au

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**Dates to Remember**

- **Sun 8/12** Greenpatch for Y11 (all week)
- **Mon 9/12** P&C Meeting 7pm in Library
- **Thurs 12/12** Year 8 Fun Day at Jamberoo Theme Park
- **Mon 16/12** Presentation Night 7pm in mpc
- **Tues 17/12** Report Assemblies for Y7,8,9,10
- **Wed 18/12** Y10 Wet ‘n’ Wild

**2014 Important Dates**

- **Uniform Shop Open Thurs 16th and 17th Jan 8-4pm**
  - Tues 21st-Fri 24th Jan 8am-4pm
- **Uniform Swap Shop Open Friday 17th Jan 9-11am**
  - Thurs 23rd Jan 9-11am
- **Tues 28/1** School Development Day (Pupil Free)
  - Uniform Shop Open 8am-12 noon
  - Uniform Swap Shop Open 9-11am
- **Wed 29/1** Y7, Y11, Y12 First Day of Term 1
  - Uniform Shop Open 8am-12noon
- **Thurs 30/1** Y8, Y9 and Y10 First Day of Term 1
  - Uniform Shop Open 8am-12 noon
- **Fri 31/1** Uniform Shop Open 8am-12 noon
- **Thurs 6/2** School Photos
- **Mon 10/2** School Photos Back Up Day
  - P&C Meeting 7pm Library
- **Tues 11/2** Swimming Carnival