

CORRIMAL

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PRINCIPAL'S PERSONAL MESSAGE

Farewell and Welcome

As is widely known I am in my last years of teaching and as a Principal. After 34 years of service with the Department of Education (in its many names during this time), I have decided to retire when I turn 60 at the end of October 2018. I will be taking long service leave from the start of Term 3 until I retire. To minimise the disruption to the school I have relinquished my position so the new principal could be merit selected and appointed to start from the beginning of Term 3 2018.

I am proud of our school, the staff and the students. Together we have taken the school to be a high achieving high school, with our students results recognised as belonging to only a handful of schools across NSW. I thank the teachers and staff of the school for their support during my time here and particularly would like to thank the current executive of the school. You are collectively the best Head Teachers I have worked with, and in particular, I thank Ross Graham for his support as my only continuing DP during my time here.

To the parents who have chosen to send your children to our great school, I thank you for the privilege of being allowed to provide an excellent education to them. And, to students of Corrimal High, you are the future of this community and this country, and I am happy that you are capable and willing to be the best you can be. My retirement will be filled with travel, gardening and a little bit of possum stirring with politicians to ensure ongoing social justice.

Congratulations to the new Principal, Mr Paul Roger. He has been selected from a vast field of suitable applicants and will lead the school forward "to higher things". I will leave it to him to introduce himself in the next newsletter and at the next P&C meeting.

ALSO IN THE ISSUE **LEGACY NCCD RESCUE ED COMPS BUSH APP UPDATES EVENT DATE EVENT** DATE JULY 24 SCHOOL RESUMES JULY 6 SCHOOL BREAK JULY 30 - AUGUST 7 TRIAL **AUGUST 3** YR 9-10 AIME **EXAMINATIONS AUGUST 13** YR 10 SUBJECT **AUGUST 16 COUGARS CUP** SELECTION

A LASTING LEGACY MR MARK KING

Mark started his teaching career in 1984 as a Science Teacher at James Meehan High. Prior to that he did a double degree and was head hunted (this is what Mark says) by the Public Service but he found that boring so he decided to give teaching a go and for this, we are grateful.

Mark has never been a micro manager, allowing teachers to get on to doing what they are best at, that is teaching. This is evident, by the letter from Murat Dizdar — Deputy Secretary School Operations and Performance congratulating our school of our outstanding 2017 Higher School Certificate results.

On behalf of the staff we wish you well in retirement, just think, no more ties or those boring meetings. For the full tribute letter visit the school <u>website</u>.





NCCD

WHAT IS IT ALL ABOUT?

All government and non-Government schools across Australia are required to participate annually in the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD). This simply means we will be collecting data on students who are receiving adjustments to meet additional learning and support needs. This data will then be provided to the Australian government to assist in the development of a national picture of the education needs of students with disability. Further information can be accessed on the Australian Government department education and training website or by contacting the school and asking to speak to a member of the Learning Support team.



RESCUE EDUCATION

On Thursday 13 June Corrimal High School was fortunate enough to host Mr Peter Biela and the Wollongong Fire Department to engage Year 10 students in the Rescue Education Program. This program is a practical simulation of the dangers associated of a high speed car accident rescue and the steps necessary to remove a trapped casualty from a vehicle. Year 10 are to be commended on their behaviour and attitude during the program as they were attentive, asked questions and engaged with the Wollongong Fire Department. We thank Mr Biela and the Wollongong Fire Department for bringing this free and highly valuable program to our school.

BOCCIA COMPETITION



On Tuesday 19th June, five students from the Corrimal High Support Unit contested the 2018 Public Schools Boccia Knockout at Figtree High School. This year's event consisted of a round robin tournament where we played Figtree High, Moss Vale High and Peterborough. We had two players making their debut this year and they quickly picked up the tactics of the game in our first match. Unfortunately, they narrowly lost their first two matches but finished the competition strong with a comprehensive victory in their final match. The team should be very proud of their efforts and we were commended by the organisers for our team play and sportsmanship. We are all eager to get back into training and prepare for next year's competition. Thank you to Ms Parker for her assistance on the day

NRL REREEING



Well done to our playNRL referees who, on June 15, led over 150 stage 2 and 3 students from five different schools as part of a Brokers Division Gala Day for Dragon Tag. Each of the eight students displayed great leadership and initiative across the day and may be selected to referee matchs coming up in this year's Cougar's Cup.

If you are interested in completing your refereeing qualification, sign up with Mr Foster in the TAS Faculty.

Unfortunately, due to poor weather the Year 7 Bush App was postponed, but not cancelled! Science and TAS are still very excited to have the excursion go ahead and the new date will be July 30 - new notes have been given out.

The excursion we remain free with lunch provided and will involve another eight weeks of activities in term 3.

YEAR 7 BUSH APP





On June 21, all Year 12 students received vital from information the in2uni team. information session covered application university, TAFE processes for and apprenticeships/traineeships along with cut off dates and more.

If you were unable to attend the session due to unforseen circumstance, please see Mr Mathiesen or Mr Foster as soon as possible. If you have any changes to your future directions, please also let your Year Advisers know so it can be updated in your PLP.

PDHPE

This semester our school had a very successful athletics carnival running various events over the day javelin, discus, shot put, 100m, high jump, long jump. The zone athletics carnival is coming up it will be on the 29th of June Beaton Park. Our school would like to congratulate ruby – lee Paterson of year 9 for making it to NSW all schools cross country and wish her luck when competing. We would also like to congratulate Thomas Potts and Lewis Grimshaw for representing the south coast in state football at Bathurst. Student will be helping out at the Tarrawanna public school athletics carnival on the 22nd of June.

TAS

Work placements for IDMT, Construction, and Metals and Engineering have been very successful this semester. Students were very impressive receiving excellent feedback from their supervisors. Year 12 ITW projects and Year 11/12 Drone and DSLR projects are well underway and almost fully completed.

SCIENCE

Year 12 physics travelled to Sydney University to the department of physics to participate in hands on workshops to support the HSC course. Students were shown cutting edge technologies and research including plasma research and quantum computing. Year 11 science students will travel to UOW on the Thursday the 28th of June for science enrichment activities and to receive information about science careers and courses. Year 9 and 10 students are busy preparing for science and engineering challenge at UOW. Were they will compete against other schools in engineering challenges stay tuned for a report on the day.

ENGLISH

We have had a busy term in the English faculty with a variety of learning experiences and opportunities for our students. This term our tutoring program has been continuing and has been extended to senior students. We have several University of Wollongong, Masters of Teaching students, employed to provide one on one literacy tutoring to our junior students. Ms Foots and Ms Chisholm have been busy organising an excursion to the pop up Globe theatre for Enrichment students and other interested students. They will be viewing Shakespeare's 'Midsummer Night's Dream' in a theatre designed to mirror the Globe theatre. This will be a beneficial and exciting excursion for our students and they are looking forward to this event. Find out more on our school website.