CSHS Representative at International Science Camp

Collinsville State High Year 12 student Tomas Farmer has been successful in his application for a position on the Australian delegation to attend the 2015 Asian Science Camp in Thailand from 2nd to 8th August. He will be travelling with 8 other Australian students and Dr Gunilla Burrowes, Chairperson of Australian Science Innovations, to join approximately 200 students from across Asia for the international camp.

As a result of Tomas achieving a High Distinction in the 2014 Big Science Competition senior paper, he was invited to apply for attendance at the Asian Science Camp. The application involved creating a presentation for the judges and having letters of recommendation from the school and community.

The Asian Science Camp is a celebration of science and friendship. It promotes international cooperation and networks among the best young science students of the next generation in Asia, Australia and Oceania and encourages deeper thinking about science and scientific knowledge. During the six-day camp Nobel Laureates and world class researchers will share their science experience through plenary sessions, round table discussions and student master classes.

NAPLAN TESTING

From Tuesday 12th May to Thursday 14 May, Collinsville SHS Year 7 & 9 students joined with Australian students for the National Assessment Program — Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN). The National Assessment Program is a measure through which educational authorities and schools can determine whether or not young Australians are meeting important educational outcomes.

As Numeracy and Literacy are essential components for every child to progress through school and life, all teachers have been involved in preparing students for the tests by helping them gain confidence in numeracy and literacy skills as well as becoming familiar with formats and test requirements.

Students have been provided with fruit, cake, sandwiches and hot snacks during their breaks to help maintain energy levels and aid concentration. Students who have been assessed this week have displayed a mature and positive approach and attitude to the tasks. All parents should be proud of the efforts which their students have put into these national tests.

IMPORTANT DATES

May
12-14 NAPLAN Testing
18 Whitsunday Cross Country
28-31 Connections 2015 Camp—Townsville
June
8 Queens Birthday Public Holiday
19 Art Extravaganza
26 Last Day Term 2
August
15 Collinsville Bacon Busters & Bullride
Run, Run, as Fast as you Can!

On Friday 8th May, Collinsville State High School held its annual Interhouse Cross Country Carnival. The carnival proved to be a riveting contest between the schools two mighty teams, Boomerang and Woomera. Boomerang was determined, after Woomera took out the swimming carnival, and triumphed with a win of 164 points over Woomera who finished on 93 points.

A big congratulations to all of the runners, Age Champions were as follows:

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<td>Jessi Horvat &amp; Sharni Wallace</td>
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<td>Kailan Batchelor &amp; Emmalee Buckler</td>
<td>Henry Peckett</td>
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<td>Rohan Gordon &amp; Emily Gall</td>
<td>Shayden Hinchliffe &amp; Abby Messenger</td>
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For the first time records were set for 12 years boys and girls with Jessi Horvat setting the 12 years boys record of 17:41 and Sharni Wallace setting the 12 years girls record of 19:58. It was fantastic to see students giving a 100% effort, as there were amazing results among the age groups, with 3 records being broken on the day.

Records broken 2015:

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Thank you to all the staff, in particular, Sonya Batchelor, Melinda Daly, Jenna Green and Lorna for their help with carnival preparation. The day would not have been a success without your help. Thank you to the parents who came along for the day to lend their support and encouragement and last but not least, thank you to all of the teachers and students for their efforts throughout the day.

Lastly I would like to wish all of the students representing CSHS in the Whitsunday Cross Country carnival good luck! The carnival will be held at the Collinsville Bowls club on Monday the 18th of May, with the first race starting at 10:30am.
THAT’S TOPS
Congratulations to this fortnight’s recipients of the That’s Tops Awards:
Codie Lynch (Yr 11), Kylie Dougan (Yr 12), Dorothy Vallada (Yr 10), Matthew Fordham (Yr 8)

Student Council Activities
ON NOW!! Chocolate Box Sales
Next Week: Staff Verse Student Dodgeball
Coming Up in June:
1-4 June Karaoke
11 Junior Glow Party
19 Art Extravaganza

Student Council members are embarking on their next fundraising venture, a chocolate drive, just in time for the cooler weather. Chocolates are $1 each and money and unsold boxes need to be returned to the office by no later than Friday 19 June (Week 9). If you should sell your box and are after more they can be collected from the office.

School Dental
Appointments are still being taken for School Dental. If your student is in Year 7, 8, 9 or 10 then you are still eligible to receive dental treatment at the Collinsville MPHS.

To book your appointment please phone 0417 615 438. Forms are available from the office.

Junior Secondary Student of the Week Awards!!

Week 2
Shayne Crowhurst - Helping others and being fabulous at sewing
Jessie McPhee - Working independently and to a high standard
Taylah Wallace - Awesome work in speed writing activity

Week 3
Sharni Wallace - For excellent class participation
Tyrell Portelli - Great achievement in reading
Lee Schomberg - Excellent effort with reading activities

WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH P&C

♦ SCHOOL CAMP — At our last meeting the Parents and Citizens Association heard about the senior camp and that the school would like every Year 10, 11 and 12 student to attend. It sounds like a fantastic camp and our children will get to experience so much. As the school wants each student to go, they have asked for our assistance to help reduce costs for all parents. The P&C Assoc. have agreed to pay $4000 towards the camp which will go towards accommodation and transport.

♦ HELPERS NEEDED — Bowen River Rodeo: Parent helpers are still needed for the Bowen River Rodeo Canteen on Sunday 7th June 2015. An hour of your time would be very greatly appreciated. Please ring the office to volunteer. If you require a lift out there, let us know in the office and we will see if we can arrange something.

♦ WANTED: Ice-Cream Containers: Donations of empty ice-cream containers, suitable for making ice, would be greatly appreciated. They can be dropped into the school office.
Collinsville State High School has its very own Careers’ Website.
It can be found at: www.collinsvilleshscareertools.com and it is a one-stop shop for everything you need with career planning and help! Visit the website now and create a student login where you can find the latest news on universities, TAFE, develop a resume and start exploring the type of work that may be suitable for you.
Parents, you can also access the website to find out what you need to know about Senior Schooling and preparing your students for life after school!

PRELOVED FORMAL WEAR SALE.
Do you have a cupboard full of formal dresses and suits?
Student Council is holding a Preloved Formal Wear Sale.
Send in your items, name your price and we will try to sell it for you.

For enquiries please contact the school office or Sonya Batchelor on 4785 8111.

This Week’s Recipe...
….comes to us from Mrs Whelan. This is a yummy winter food and if you remove the bacon, you have a great vegetarian recipe.

Stuffed Pumpkin

Ingredients:
1 Pumpkin
Cabbage
Bacon
Beans
Peas
Minced Garlic
Salt and Pepper to taste
Butter

Or choose any vegetables of your choice.
Quantity will vary depending on the size of the pumpkin

Method:
1. Preheat oven to 150ºC
2. Using a very sturdy knife—and caution—cut a cap out of the top of the pumpkin. You want to cut off enough of the top to make it easy for you to work inside the pumpkin. Clear away the seeds and strings from the cap and from inside the pumpkin. Scoop out the inner seeds of the pumpkin. Rub salt and pepper into the inside.
3. Sear the bacon and cabbage in a pan with a little butter and season generously with garlic, pepper and a small amount of salt.
4. Lightly steam the beans and peas or vegetables of your choice.
5. Mix the vegetables in a bowl with the bacon and cabbage and then pack into the pumpkin.
6. Put the cap in place. Put the pumpkin on a baking sheet or baking dish that’s been sprayed with oil or lined with parchment paper. Bake the pumpkin for about 2 hours—check after 90 minutes—or until everything inside the pumpkin is bubbling and the flesh of the pumpkin is tender enough to be pierced easily with the tip of a knife. If there is to much liquid exuded from the pumpkin, remove the cap during the last 20 minutes.
7. To Serve, place on a platter and transfer to the table. Take the lid off, then dig in with a big spoon.