August
27th  Yr 10 History Excursion - 10A1 & 10B1
29th  Yr 11 Drivers Expo—TREEC

September
1st - 5th  Year 11 Exams - Hall
5th    The Buzz - Distribution
8th - 12th Year 11 Prefect Camp - TBC
12th   Gold Awards Ceremony - Cafeteria
16th   P&C Meeting - 6:30pm - Cafeteria
18th   Year 12 Reports issued
19th   The Buzz - Distribution
18th   Last Day Term 3

October
7th    All Students return for Term 4
8th    Prefect Induction - THS Hall 9.00 am
13th   HSC Examinations commence
17th   The Buzz - Distribution
21st   P&C Meeting - 6.30pm - Cafeteria
31st   Year 11 Reports issued

November
7th    Final day for HSC Exams
14th   The Buzz - Distribution
18th   P&C Meeting - 6.30pm - Cafeteria
28th   The Buzz - Distribution
Principal’s Report

Our Year 12 students have just concluded their Trial HSC Examinations, the final school based assessment process for most students. A large number of students have also been preparing for practical marking in subjects such as Industrial Technology Wood and Music.

Whilst the school assessment phase is now concluded, there is still plenty of time for students to develop their skills and understanding in each subject to ensure they are thoroughly prepared for the HSC Examinations that commence early next term. Year 12 will also be preparing for the end of year graduation ceremony and related celebrations held during the last week of term.

Tamworth High School were well represented at the recent Dance Festival conducted at the TREC – my congratulations go to all students involved and especially Ms Bricknell who has done an outstanding job in preparing the students for this event.

The election process for Year 2015 Prefects was recently conducted with a very worthy group of students nominated for the 20 positions. My congratulations go to the following students who were elected after a rigorous election process:

Lucy Davis
Tim Hassan
Jack Pickering
Paiton Muller
Bromley Nankivell
Jake Weatherall
Jackson Crelley
Jay Neville
Samantha Wilson
Katie Robinson
Megan Su
Corey O'Keefe
Jess Berman
Brittany King
Tyrone Cross
Brooke Fishenden
Dylan McClelland
Steph Fulwood
Susan Sayabath
Abby Lewis

Reserves: Meghan McGrane, Kelly Abrahams

These students will participate in the Prefects Camp to be held later this term where they will explore the various aspects of student leadership to prepare them for the role of school leaders. I am looking forward to working with these students over the next year.

Daniel Wilson
Principal
**SENIOR SECONDARY STUDENT CARDS**

Students 16 years and older travelling on NSW Trains and coaches require the Senior Secondary Student card to get the student 50% discount fare.

Students need to see SAO to obtain these travel cards.

**Senior Mathematics Study Groups**

Math

Attention Senior Mathematics Students and Parents

All Year 11 and 12 students studying Mathematics are encouraged to come to ACOM at the following times to study:

- **Week 1** - Thursday - Period 4
- **Week 2** - Wednesday - Period 4

There will always be a Mathematics staff member on hand to help.

**Tamworth High School P & C Association Inc.**

**Welcome** to Judy Watson who has commenced as our new Canteen Supervisor. We know she will enjoy her time at THS and the current Prefects, Year 11 prospective Prefects and SRC will continue their support in the Canteen with serving at break times. Volunteers are always welcome to help Judy in the Canteen, even if it’s only for a few hours at a time. Please contact Judy if you are able to assist.

The **new bucket hats and caps** are for sale at the Canteen or Uniform Shop. Cost - $10. This is an introductory price while current stocks last or until the end of Term 4.

**School jackets** have arrived into the Uniform Shop and are available for $75.

**Country Music** is around the corner. Anyone interested in helping the P&C with cleaning duties between 16/1-26/1/15 please text your interest to 0487114030. Shifts are approx. 1hr. All money raised goes directly to our students’ education.

**Next P&C Meeting:** Tuesday 16th September in the school cafeteria. 6:30pm start. Runs for approx. 1hr. **Come and make a difference to your child’s schooling!**

**Parent email addresses required!**

The school is currently compiling a data base of parent email addresses. This will allow us to notify you of special events, information evenings, P&C meetings etc.

If you would like to receive emails from the school please either send an email to the school at tamworth-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au or contact the school on 67657888

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**CAR PARKING AT TAMWORTH HIGH SCHOOL**

To reduce congestion and ensure student safety, parents are requested to park outside school grounds when dropping students at school and picking them up after school.
On Wednesday the 6th August, the Open Boys Baseball played against Davidson Boys High School, representing the North West Region in the State finals. It was a fantastic morning to play ball and welcome the Sydney boys to the countryside.

From the outset, the boys were up against strong competition with some players recently moved to Australia from Japan, where baseball is almost a religion! Chris Coulton was our run scorer and cheered home enthusiastically. Sam Fulwood also got to base. Team Captain James Psarakis shared a wealth of knowledge and encouraged the boys to aim high. Unfortunately on the day, the travelling Sydney Team was just too strong for us, taking the game 16-1.

Special mention to the Year 12 boys who played amidst major work submission and preparation for trial exams, your commitment was outstanding, also to Karen Psarakis for photographing some choice plays and our team photo on the day.

Thanks boys, I really enjoyed coaching you!

Miss C Loeve

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE CREATIVE ARTS FACULTY

Stage Band: The THS Stage Band is starting again. We are in need of a guitarist and a bass player. Any students interested in joining please see Mrs Sullivan in the Music Staffroom or Music Classrooms. Rehearsals will be Tuesday lunchtime in HMus2.

Music Lessons: Our lessons will be continuing on Wednesdays & Thursdays from 8.30am in the Hall. Please be on time and ready to play. Fees are now due.

Guitar Group: Continuing during lunch time on Friday in HMus2.

Violin: Lessons continue on Wednesday mornings - See Mrs Sullivan for more information if you would like to learn the violin

Band will continue on Monday mornings at 8:30am in HMus2.

Choir All members of the Choir are needed at rehearsals on Tuesday mornings at 8.30am in HMus1.

Drum Groups: The group will rehearse this on Wednesdays at lunch in HMus2.
It’s that time of their year again when Year 12 Visual Arts students are frantically working to complete their Body of Works for submission.

**WELL DONE**

Alyse Peters-McMillan (Year 11) and Blake Walden (Year 10)

Both students represented North West in the NSW Combined High Schools Lawn Bowls State Championships in Wagga from 5th to 7th August and played very well against some good teams.

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**CAFETERIA SPECIALS**

**FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING 25TH AUGUST**

- **CHILLI SUBS** $4.80

**FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING 1ST SEPTEMBER**

- **SCALLOPS** $1.00

**ALSO WE NOW HAVE COFFEE**

- **MOCHACCINO**
- **CAPPUCCINO**
- **FLAT WHITE**
- **ESPRESSO** $2.50

**HOT CHOCOLATE** $2.50

**SUSHI ON THE MENU MONDAY TO THURSDAY** $3.00
Tamworth High presents
THE
COMMEDIA
DELL’ARTE

Tamworth High School Drama students enjoyed an afternoon of play with the Commedia dell’arte marks. Renowned puppeteer Dennis Murphy from Sydney conducted a drama workshop with Tamworth High’s drama students.

The students experience traditional acting. Commedia dell’arte was created in 14th century Italy and probably for about four hundred years (from the fourteenth to the eighteenth century); but it flourished especially in the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries. These comedians changed forever the standards of acting. The Commedia dell’arte introduced the professional actor into Europe and has since influenced acting throughout the world today. TV shows like Kate and Kim, Friends and Seinfeld use these techniques.

Dennis Murphy divided the students into groups of two and just like a puppeteer controls the puppet one student asks the student wearing the mask to move in a way to create a character. The mask being one dimension hides the facial expression of the actor so the actor’s body needs to become animated to bring the character to life by moving in over exaggerated movements.

All the students enjoy the workshop as well as learnt new skills that will stay with them throughout life.

Ms Sandy Rixon

THS 40 Year Reunion 2014
For 4th Form 1972 and 6th Form 1974

Join your THS colleagues for some reminiscing and fun after 40 years in the real world

EVENTS

Fri 3rd Oct - 5pm Catch up at West Leagues
Sat 4th Oct - 10am walk down memory lane at THS
6pm THS Auditorium - BYOG
Provided - Nibbles, Buffet Main Meal, Dessert, Coffee
Dance to your favourite songs from that era!
Share stories about the good and bad times!
Share photos and memorabilia on a “Table of Memories”

Sun 5th Oct - Remember how we always beat Oxley at everything! Well… they are having their reunion this weekend too, so we are challenging them to a game of Barefoot Bowls at the
North Tamworth Bowling Club at 10 am

Cost: $40 for Saturday night and $10 for bowls morning

RSVP: By direct deposit before 22/9/2014
Bank: Northern Inland Credit Union
Account Name: Tamworth High 40 year Reunion
BSB 802-298 Account Number: 71775
(Reference your deposit with name and number attending, eg H Owen 1)

Contacts
Find our page on Facebook - “Tamworth High School reunion for Fourth form 1972 - Sixth Form 1974”

Helen Varga: Mob: 0438 279 699 or whowen@hotmail.com
Julie Fishenden: Mob: 0427 633 432 or fisho2@bigpond.com
This year Tamworth High School had over 45 students participate in the New England Regional Dance Festival. The students danced over 3 big days, some of them performing in front of a crowd for the first time.

We had 4 dances, all choreographed by students, showing a wonderful range of talents.

I would like to personally congratulate all of our dancers on their amazing, humble and outstanding performances. They conducted themselves beautifully both on stage and backstage, encouraging other groups and helping each other.

A big thank you also to Mrs Deacon, Mrs Scott, Ms Loughrey and Mrs Cornwell for their amazing help and support over the course of the weekend.

Miss E Bricknell

The Honorable Mr Victor Michael Dominello, MP Minister for Aboriginal Affairs and Minister for Citizenship and Communities visited Tamworth High School recently, with our local Member for Tamworth, Mr Kevin Anderson.

While Mr Dominello was in Tamworth to open the Aboriginal OCHRE centre at Tamworth TAFE, which is a newly built centre opportunity hub to support the regions Aboriginal students, he swung by to see the Tamworth High School’s new Cafeteria and canteen.

Mr Anderson was pleased to congratulate Mr Daniel Wilson, Tamworth High's Principal, by presenting him with an award for 30 years of dedication to Educational Service.

Whilst visiting our school both Mr Dominello and Mr Anderson joined in the Debating which was being held in the Library.

Ms Sandy Rixon
Opportunity Hubs, a key initiative of OCHRE, the NSW Government’s Plan for Aboriginal affairs, seek to coordinate and match training opportunities for Aboriginal students, providing incentives to finish school and transition into sustainable jobs.

Minister for Aboriginal Affairs Victor Dominello said “the first OCHRE Healing Forum, which took place in Sydney at the University of NSW, and now in Tamworth, marked a crucial step in advancing the dialogue about trauma and healing and developing best practice policy responses.

The OCHRE Forum, “Mapu Yaan Gurri, Mapu Marrunggirr – Healing Our Way”, which reflects the goal of enabling all Aboriginal people to live healthy and purposeful lives, was hosted in partnership with the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Healing Foundation”.

The Minister enjoyed entertainment from the Westdale School’s Aboriginal girl choir and Peel High Schools boy’s Aboriginal dance group.

Ms Sandy Rixon