WHAT’S BUZZING
TERM 3 Week 6
Date Issued 19/9/2014

October
7th All Students return for Term 4
8th 2015 Prefect Induction - 10:00am– Hall
9th Parent-Carer/Teacher Night - 4:00pm - 7:00pm
   - Cafeteria
13th HSC Examinations commence
17th The Buzz - Distribution
21st P&C Meeting - 6:30pm - Cafeteria
31st Year 11 Reports issued
   The Buzz - Distribution

November
7th Final day for HSC Exams
14th The Buzz - Distribution
18th P&C Meeting - 6:30pm - Cafeteria
28th The Buzz - Distribution

December
3rd Orientation Day - 12 noon
5th Gold Awards Ceremony
9th Presentation Night - 6.30pm - Hall
12th The Buzz - Distribution
   Years 7 - 10 Reports - Issued
16th P&C Meeting - 6:30pm - Cafeteria
17th Last day for students
Principal’s Report

By the time you read this, our Year 12 Graduation Ceremony will have concluded and our Year 12 students will have attended their last day of school. My congratulations go to this fine group of students and on behalf of the staff, students and community of Tamworth High School. I wish them all the best for the HSC examinations that commence early term 4.

Just as one group of students leave, another outstanding group of prefects attended the annual Prefect Camp last week at Dag Station, Nundle during week 10. This camp is aimed at providing a solid preparation for their important role as student leaders for the next 12 months. I had the great pleasure of visiting the camp on Thursday afternoon to share some time with these students and discuss the important concept of leadership. To their credit, this team has already generated some significant ideas for the coming year, with a strong focus upon making a major contribution to developing our school in a variety of ways. I am truly looking forward to working with this team and their support staff, Mrs Roser and Mr Sowden. My gratitude also goes to Ms Ostle and Mrs Murray for their work in organising this camp which is a critical component of the student leadership program at THS.

The Creative and Performing Arts (CAPA) night was conducted Week 10 Term 3, showcasing the wide variety of artistic skills of students at Tamworth High School. A very entertaining night for all concerned! My congratulations go to all students involved and thanks to the CAPA staff involved in putting this important event together. Well done to all!

In closing, I congratulate the Boys and Girls Hockey teams for their outstanding efforts at the NSW CHS championships. Our girls performed admirably, finishing 5th overall, and showing great prospects for the future. Even more impressive however, our boy’s team, who won the final to become CHS champions – an outstanding result and a credit to all players involved in all games and especially the team coach, Mr Greg Allen.

Daniel Wilson
Principal
The Busy Bee Coffee Shop wishes to acknowledge the support of Baker’s Delight, City Plaza for the delicious Focaccias our staff enjoy so much.

Baker’s Delight is also offering a voucher to receive $1 off your next purchase.

The Coffee Shop continues to develop the skills of our students through a range of activities connected to the Coffee Shop such as, cleaning and assisting with cooking. As the students attain a greater skill level they progress to serving and operating the cash register.

The Lioness Ladies, (who offer a mentoring program to the students), come to the Coffee Shop once a week. On these days, the students are learning to take orders, serve the ladies and discuss many things concerning their education and future employment. These skills are all necessary for the student to enter the work force with confidence.

Thank you to all who support the Coffee Shop.

Tamworth High School P & C Association Inc.

P&C Stage 4 Scholarships - Applications have now closed. Thank you to everyone who has sent in applications. Successful recipients will be notified in Term 4. We look forward to meeting the parents of these students and working with them in 2015.

Sale of the new bucket hats and caps is progressing well. Remember the $10 cost is only available 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: Our next meeting will be Tuesday 21st October in the school cafeteria. 6:30pm start. Come and make a difference to your child’s schooling!

Canteen Helpers: Urgently needed. If you are able to assist please contact Canteen Supervisor Mrs Judy Watson on 6765 9602.

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 6765 7888.
CAFETERIA SPECIALS

FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING 6TH OCTOBER
CHICKEN BURGER $4.80
SPICY WING THINGS $1.50
PINEAPPLE CHEESECAKE $2.00

FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING 13TH OCTOBER
NACHOS $4.50
SCALLOPS $1.00
MARS BAR SLICE $2.00

ALSO WE NOW HAVE COFFEE $2.50
MOCHACCINO CAPPUCCINO FLAT WHITE ESPRESSO $2.50
HOT CHOCOLATE $2.50
SUSHI ON THE MENU MONDAY TO THURSDAY $3.00
FRESH FRUIT NOW AVAILABLE $1.50

WE WHATS 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.

Senior Mathematics Study Groups
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.

Parent-Teacher Night

Parent Teacher Night is an opportunity for you to briefly discuss, with your child’s teachers, their learning throughout this year and their future development.

Each appointment is for five (5) minutes per subject.

If you are unable to book an interview and believe it is essential to discuss your child’s progress, please contact the school to arrange a mutually convenient alternative time.

An information note and booking sheet will be handed out at year meetings. Your child will then need to arrange booking with their teacher to suit.

Tamworth High School would like to thank you in advance for making the time to assist in the development of your child’s learning and we look forward to working with you to achieve the best possible outcomes for them.

Luke Barry Parent/Teacher Night Coordinator
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”

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Tamworth High School Supports Legacy

Legacy is dedicated to caring for the families of deceased and incapacitated veterans. Today Legacy’s caring and compassionate service assists over 90,000 widows and 1,900 children and dependants with a disability.

This year students from the Tamworth High School Gifted and Talented classes and Interact Club continued the tradition of working with Legacy by helping at the annual Legacy Week fundraising activity of selling badges, pens and wristbands.

Students who participated in the activity on Friday, September 5 were:

Isabelle Heinjus
Crimson Flores
Katie Magill
Lila Watts
Tiegan Hobson
Regan Blanchard
Cate Batho
Ebony Burgess
Tim Sullivan
Chris MacAlpine

The team engaged members of the Tamworth community along Peel Street, local shops and arcades.

Well done team!

Mr W Woods
The NSW Combined High Schools Athletics Championships were held at Sydney Olympic Park from September 4th to 6th.

Representing Tamworth High and the North West Region were: Nick Price, Ashleigh Price, Lachlan Nihell, Jamie Blackler, Rhiannon Bradburn, Zarayn Knight, Matt Sing, Ashleigh Bridge, Emily Bishop and Georgia White.

Nick won a Gold Medal in the 15 years Discus event with a throw of 54.70m (a personal best). This is the fourth consecutive year that Nick has won a Gold Medal in Discus. Nick also made the final of the Shot Put event.

Zarayn Knight won through to the Final of the 17 Years 100m, while Matt Sing was just outside the top eight in the 16 Years 100m.

The 16 Years Girls’ Relay Team (including a 14 and 15 year old) performed with credit and are already planning for next year. Ashleigh and Lachlan are also planning their campaigns for next year after enjoying the competition this year.

Mr G Allen
Last week 8WOW went on a cultural adventure to the local Indigenous Sacred Sites. We were lucky enough to be blessed with our very own local guide Mr Brian Sampson, our AEO. Along with Mr Knight, Mr Vereyken, Mr Lock and Miss Bricknell, 8WOW set out on an 8km hike through bushland just past Tamworth.

The class visited sites of burial, ritual and tribal customs. The day was a practical experience that has brought to life 8WOW’s study in English, History and Geography (as well as PDHPE- 8kms gets the cardiovascular system pumping), which is following along with Tamworth High School’s Gifted and Talented program’s focus on cross curriculum learning.

A big thank you to all of the teachers and aids for their support of this program and the students.

Miss E Bricknell
TAMWORTH High School’s boys are champions again and have the silverware to prove it.

The THS Boys’ Hockey Team secured the NSWCHS State Knockout for the second time in four years at Lithgow last week.

After skittling Farrer and Oxley High to become North West Regional Champions, the boys travelled to Concord in Sydney on August 29 where they rolled Sydney Secondary College 20-nil to cement their place in the state top eight.

At Lithgow, THS skipped past Lambton High 4-nil in the quarter-final thanks to goals from Tom Smith (2), Dylan McClelland and Josh Worpel. A few hours later they went one better with a 5-nil win over Bathurst High School in the semi when James Psarakis (2), David Willis, Tom Smith and Josh Worpel found the back of the goal. This was a testing game that allowed the THS boys to show their class and their ability to control play.

That set up a final showdown with Goulburn High the next day. Goulburn had defeated Taree 10-1 in their semi-final. The decider turned out to be an outstanding game and probably the toughest that THS have played in recent years. Goulburn were a very fast and strong team that constantly tested our defence. The Tamworth boys didn’t waiver from their task and broke down every attack, while launching their own raids on goal. THS won 2-nil after a goal to Addison Coutman in the first half and then Josh Worpel converted a short corner with six minutes left on the clock.

In the six games on the way to the title the team scored 47 goals and conceded just two. This was an outstanding effort and a tribute to their commitment and desire to win.
The team comprised Joshua Worpel and James Psarakis (captains), David Willis, Tom Smith, Dylan McClelland, Jay Neville, Tim Hassan, Matt Sing, Jaydan Mann, Luke Albertson, Addison Coutman, Sean Aslin, Pat Hofman, Lucas Constable, Tom Dietrich, Isaac Moxon and Toby Whitten.

It was a huge week for THS with the Tamworth High girls’ team also in action at the top eight playoffs, where they ultimately finished fifth. The girls had to survive two tough games against Westfields Sports High and Wingham High School to qualify. They did this in style and in Lithgow faced a strong home team (Lithgow High) in their quarter-final. Following a slow start the girls weren’t able to get into their rhythm and went down, but put this behind them on the second day.

THS beat Grafton High 2-1 in their next game, but were more dominant than the score indicated. The goal scorers were Brittany King and Steph Fulwood. The last game was against Taree High and was the play-off for fifth and sixth positions. The girls really stepped up and strong, confident play saw them run out 5-1 winners, after goals to Brittany King (2), Sarah Willis, Steph Fulwood and Rebecca Willis. This gave them fifth position and left them keen to do even better next year.

This is a very young team which featured Samantha Moxon (Captain), Brittany King, Stephanie Fulwood, Mikayla McCulloch, Natalie Willis, Sofie Langenbaker, Sarah Willis, Stephanie Worpel, Meg Whitten, Tayla King, Rebecca Willis, Georgia White, Gabrielle McCrohon, Chloe Walker and Lara Follington.

Mr G Allen
On Monday the 15th of September, a day to go down in history, the Glue Sticks played their grand final match against McCarthy.

The warm up was a sight to behold, with the music blaring; the girls proceeded to dance to some gangsta-rap while hitting a few hockey balls around the field. The game commenced at a frantic pace with both sides displaying some unique ways to hit a hockey ball. There was a huge crowd to witness the poetry-in-motion that is the glue sticks way of playing and they were soon rewarded with an excellent deflective strike by Lucy Davis. This was Lucy’s first goal of the year and couldn’t have come at a more valuable time.

The following goal was a sight to behold, and is worthy to go down as goal of the century. From a fantastic pass from all the way in the backs by Ashley Scott, the ball was then transferred to Katie Robinson, who dribbled her way through the defence, to set up a cracking shot for Susan Sayabath, who didn’t even look like missing.

So going into half time with a 2-0 lead the girls were pumped to say the least. A quick half time talk and about a thousand red frogs and the girls were ready to hit the field, but not before taking a selfie! The second half was a close tussle with McCarthy having a few chances to score if not for the solid defence in the backs of Ashley, Gabbie McCrohon, Samantha Wilson and the fantastic goal-keeping of Brittany King. Isobelle Brown was brilliant, stopping wave after wave of attack and finally learning to get low when attacking the ball. Susan and Megan Su were everywhere in the midfield providing excellent through balls to Katie Robinson and Kelly Abrahams (who had a $100 dollar bet to score a goal). Bromley Nankivell and Brooke Fishenden provided excellent support in both attack and defence even when Brooke didn’t want the ball.

A final goal was struck by Katie ensuring the 3-0 win and capping an end to a fantastic season. With the music of Queen’s ‘We are the Champions’ the girls thanked the huge crowd of spectators for their support and also their coaches Dylan McClelland and Nick McCrohon with stats support provided by Abbey Lewis.

I could not be prouder of this group of girls for the way they conducted themselves over the season. They have been a pleasure to coach and have represented the school with distinction. I look forward to going back - to back wins next year!

Go Glue Sticks!

Mr Vereyken

Absent from photo, Gabbie McCrohon and Ashley Scott, both playing 2nd Grade