Trades Skills Centre
At the end of last term I spoke about our Trades Skills Centre and how we have been working to develop this part of our school. We have recognised that there are many students in our area that would benefit from focussing on vocational education whilst they are studying for their HSC.

I would like to invite students, particularly in Years 9 and 10 who are interested in courses such as Electrotechnology, Construction, Hospitality and Primary Industries to come to the launch of the South Coast Trades Skills Centre on Tuesday 21st October, 2014 at 6:00pm at the Ulladulla Civic Centre

The Trades Skills Centre is for students who want to learn and succeed in today’s world. The Trade Skills Centre can provide students with:

- practical learning pathways leading to Certificate qualifications
- nationally recognised industry qualifications that employers want Australia wide
- real-life practical learning opportunities that take place both at the Trades Skills Centre and in the workplace
- a fun campus environment with a chance to get involved in co curricular activities, social and sporting activities
- skilled teachers and up-to-date facilities that deliver high standards of education
- Pastoral care and learning support that your child needs to help them achieve their goals

I found an interesting quote which highlights that all students have certain strengths and talents. What we want is for our students to develop these strengths and achieve their best so that they are prepared for the world beyond school.

When you have a sense of calling, whether it’s to be a musician, soloist, artist, in one of the technical fields, or a plumber, there is something deep and enriching when you realize it isn’t just a casual choice, it’s a divine calling.

Charles R. Swindoll

I look forward to seeing many of you on Tuesday evening.

Lorrae Sampson
Executive Principal
Week 1 of Term 4 flew past in an absolute blur. The School transformed from its sleepy holiday state to a hive of activity as the staff and students descended on the Schools grounds for the last and often busiest term of the school year.

Our incoming 2015 Year 12 students spent Wednesday evening to Friday afternoon at the ANU Kioloa Campus, participating in the annual study retreat. This program sets in the hearts and minds of our students that they really are now at the “business end” of their HSC and it is time to work hard while maintaining a balanced lifestyle. Students were engaged in sessions which included:

- Recognising their Character Strengths
- Developing persistence
- Maintaining mental health
- Being physically active
- Healthy Eating
- Understanding the ATAR
- Where they will be when they are 25

Our HSC students took to the surf on the Thursday morning on what was a gorgeous spring day and made the most of their many talents, while enjoying a small part of God’s creation at the Beautiful Merry Beach. As I watched the group of young people take on the challenges which ranged from standing and paddling on a surfboard for the first time, to riding a beginner’s board backwards for the more experienced, I was impressed with the “have a go” attitudes on display. We surely have an amazing group of young people that we are blessed to be working with for the next 12 months, as they navigate the sometimes bumpy road of the HSC year.

Active After Schools is on again in Term 4 at SAS. Our Junior School students have the opportunity to participate in Hockey on Monday’s and Cricket in Wednesday afternoons this term. All students from K-6 are welcome to attend. We would like to thank our coaches and supervisors Mrs Sarah Jane Knight, Mr Brenden McLellen and Mr Doug Parker for their amazing work with our young people over the course of 2014.

At the time of going to press the School Musical will be almost complete for another year. The Selfish Giant is an amazing production which truly captures the spirit of Shoalhaven Anglican School and its incredibly talented staff and young people. Thankyou to all of the cast, staff and parent helpers who have made this year’s production such a truly memorable experience for all.

Mr Tim Knowles
Head of Pastoral Care

look to Jesus, the founder and perfector of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

Hebrews 12:2

I recently spoke to Year 11 concerning their HSC and future about joy at their ‘facing the challenge camp’ at Kioloa ANU campus. I received some confused faces when I explained that Jesus had joy during death and we also can have joy amongst death either our own or someone else’s. Seems odd right? Hebrews 12:2 has dazzled me for some time as to how Jesus can have joy during something so horrible and enduring as his own death.

One thing we mustn’t do is allow our understanding of Jesus joy to take away from how disgustingly shameful his torture and death really was. For God to become man and live amongst us is one disgrace but to be tortured and die on behalf of those who have wronged him, that’s radical love!

The second thing we mustn’t do is allow our understanding of worldly happiness to shape our understanding of godly joy. Happiness is fleeting, joy is eternal. This is why so many Christians over history and still today die for their faith. We live in a world with more money, more luxuries, more stuff to make us happy. Along with that we have more depression, more suicide, more self-seeking. We live in a world without true joy. Jesus had joy during his death because he had a long scope perspective of God’s will: the salvation of many and the glory of God.

Jesus knew God’s plan was better, although it meant death and doom for some time it promised life and glory to come. The same joy is promised to us and we can own that joy now through the trial, through death, knowing life and glory are to come through Jesus Christ. He endured the cross, despising the shame, and now is seated at the right hand of the throne of God. Don’t seek happiness, it’s a dumb investment and it won’t last.

Follow His example, joyfully enduring the trial knowing the glory to come in God’s eternally satisfying kingdom.

Shaneo
School Chaplain

“Happiness is fleeting, joy is eternal”
South Coast Trades Skills Centre

Vocational based HSC with NO Exams

A unique educational alternative that is flexible, individualised and provides students with additional recognised workplace qualifications whilst completing their HSC.

Launch Night:
Tuesday 6pm / 21 October 2014
Ulladulla Civic Centre

More information call Tim Knowles, Head of School on 4454 0688

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South Coast Trades Skills Centre

15 October 2014

Dear Parents/Carers

Launch of the South Coast Trades Skills Centre

Students and parents are invited to the launch of the new South Coast Trades Skills Centre on Tuesday 21 October 2014 at the Ulladulla Civic Centre from 6:00pm to 7:00pm.

The South Coast Trades Skills Centre is a co-educational Anglican Senior Trade College which offers an alternative model to traditional schooling. Year 11 and Year 12 students can focus on a vocational education pathway in a senior college environment. Students will complete the HSC and can also complete the first year of an Apprenticeship/Traineeship.

The South Coast Trades Skills Centre is offering local secondary students the opportunity to gain HSC qualifications in Construction, Electrotechnology, Hospitality and Primary Industries—Horticulture. In the future we are looking to extend this offering in areas such as Outdoor Recreation, Fitness, Human Services (Aged Care) and Tourism.

Facilities are being refurbished in Milton to include Electrotechnology and construction workshops. These will complement an already established hospitality kitchen, rooms for computers computer labs, plant and well equipped classrooms.

There are many young people on the South Coast who will benefit from such an approach which focuses on Vocational subjects whilst studying for their HSC. One aspect of the new Trades Skills Centre is that students can gain an HSC with no formal exams.

We invite you to the launch so that you can hear how you can benefit from flexible work / study arrangements and gain your HSC.

We are hoping that you will be able to join us on this evening.

Yours faithfully,

Ron Hockey
Chair
Trades Skills Advisory Group

Tim Knowles
Head of School
South Coast Trades Skills Centre
I LOVE MY SCHOOL

I Love My School Projects:
Saturday 8th November, 8am-11am
Free hot breakfast supplied
Some of our Garden beds need some TLC, they will be the focus of our Inaugural Project. The Projects are about empowering community, improving facilities and having fun.

I Love My School Showcase:
Friday 21st November, 2.30pm-5.30pm
There is a real buzz as preparations are ramping up for the Showcase. The Showcase is about highlighting student achievement particularly in the areas of performing and creative arts. The afternoon will include heaps of performances, a whole school Art/Project Gallery, food stalls & demonstrations and loads of other visual displays & activities showcasing the incredible talent of SAS Students. Please invite friends & family to a free fun filled Friday.

The Selfish Giant Musical

Senior School News

Hospitality Workplace Training 2014
Year 11 Hospitality Kitchen Operations students have spent the last week of term in various hospitality establishments in the district. Workplace Training is an essential aspect of studying a vocational (VET) subject and gives students practical life experience of the world of work and the chance to use skills they have been developing in authentic situations. At all of the workplacements I was excited to hear how impressed employers were with our students. Some have even been offered employment opportunities as a result.
Workplace Training also gives students workplace examples they can use to explain concepts when they are writing exams.
We’d like to give a big thank you to employers who give students these opportunities.
Without their interest in training the next generation these valuable programs would not be able to run. Employers for 2014 are: Coastal Indulgence, Milton; Tallwood Eatery, Mollymook; Millard’s Cottage, Ulladulla; The Corner, Ulladulla; The Boardwalk, Ulladulla; Annabel’s Café, Milton; Bacchus of Milton; Damarose Café, Nowra; The Butterfactory, Pyree; Slice of Life, North Nowra; Inlet Pizza House, Sussex Inlet; Central Café, Gunghalin; Nostalgia Gourmet Deli and Café, Vincentia; and Ceto, Ulladulla.
Hillary Challenge National Final

The SAS Hillary Challenge team gained a credible 6th place out of 10 in the recent National Finals in Victoria. This adventure race tested and bonded our 8 students (Lauren Hemsworth, Anna Smith, Alicia Congram, Charlie Guerit, Sam Woods, Pat Devlin, Rohan Kerr & James Baccarini) over 3 days of events. They were assisted by an invaluable support crew, Jacob Monte, who photographed, organised, moved gear, encouraged, set up transitions and navigated. The team was generously sponsored by OPSM-Cameron’s Optometry.

Challenge Day saw team members suspended 15m in the air, traversing rafts, performing first aid scenarios and setting up a survival camp. The 8 hour rogaine (cross country navigation) proved to be the team’s biggest improvement from State level. They placed equal 3rd having found 15 out of the 17 checkpoints. While the team’s quirky leadership presentation didn’t rate with the judges, their Environment Project on our local beaches submitted before the event gained a 4th place.

The multi-sport race was the toughest challenge; 10km mountain bike, 12km run and 2km raft. Injuries forced the team to make a tough decision regarding dropping members or slowing down. While many schools dropped a team member or 3, SAS showed true team spirit by staying together on the steep course. The scoring rewarded them for this and on reflection the team saw finishing together as a main highlight of the event.

Incidentally the students also entertained a 9 month old (no mean feat on a 1900km round trip), watched the rugby league grand final with Janet Mansour’s mother in Wodonga (thanks for your hospitality Chris, and Go the Bunnies!), enjoyed an early coffee by the Murray River and helped navigate to the beautiful Eildon Valley and back (with only a few wrong turns). This group of teenagers somehow turned the tedium of over 20 hours in a minibus into a great adventure and truly embodied many of the qualities of Edmund Hillary himself. Thanks to SAS and Craig Cameron at OPSM for their support of this event!
COME AND JOIN OUR CLUB AND BE READY FOR THE SUMMER SWIM SEASON

Ulladulla swim club 2014/15 season has commenced and we welcome new and existing members to join. Our club caters for swimmers of all ages and abilities, with our members swimming for fun, fitness and personal swimming development. Swimmers not yet proficient in all strokes can complete the 15m events and 25m Butterfly using equipment kickboard or flippers. Swimmers can also be assisted in the pool by a parent or club member if required. New swimmers are welcome to come and trial swimming club for a couple of weeks before joining as a member.

For more information, call 0437 406 480, email ulladullaswimclub1963@gmail.com or turn-up at the pool on Wednesday evening at 5:45pm and see a member of the Committee.