



CALLAGHAN COLLEGE WALLSEND CAMPUS

NEWSLETTER

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

23 Nov –	Year 10 MyHSC@CC –
4 Dec	Students attend Jesmond Campus
25 Nov	Year 7 Swim Survive starts 7A, 7C, 7L, 7S
1 Dec	Year 6 Orientation Day
2 Dec	Year 7 Swim Survive starts 7D, 7E, 7N
7 Dec	Year 10 Final Assembly
7 Dec	College Presentation
8 Dec	Year 7 Presentations
9 Dec	Year 8 Presentations
9 Dec	Year 7 Swim Survive starts 7K, 7P, 7T, 7W
10 Dec	Year 9 Presentations
16 Dec	Final day for students
29 Jan 21	First day for Year 7 2021
1 Feb	First day for Yrs 8 – 10

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

It's been a very busy start to the term and the students have been involved in a vast array of lessons, assessments, exams and activities. As we move into the final part of the school year I would like to congratulate all students and parents on behalf of the school staff for the positive year we have had in such trying circumstances and encourage all students to continue displaying the values of respect, responsibility and excellence right up until the end of the school year.



Currently our campus is working through our school data to begin a situational analysis to identify where our campus sits in regards to performance and meeting the needs of our students. This is the first part of our school planning process and once completed we will have a good idea of our strategic directions, focus and initiatives that the College and our campus will strive to achieve in the next four years. We are also consulting with students, parents and our community through a variety of surveys, discussions and phone interviews and we thank all those who have provided the feedback we need to make sure we continue to improve as a school.

It is with great pleasure we announce the leadership team of: School Captains – Lucy M and Rhys P; and Vice Captains – Evylyn P and Zoe E. These four will represent the staff and students of the school in 2021 and lead the larger student leadership team of Placid A, Casey B, Marli IJ, Tori J, Olivia M, Ebony P, Hayden P, Madison P, Makayla S, Sophie U, Tristan V, Sam W and Samantha W.

It was pleasing to see over 40 Year 9 students indicate their interest in being a part of this team.



Our Year 10 students are presently in the middle of their transition activities to Jesmond Senior Campus and should be congratulated on their effort, attitude and application for these activities. I'm sure they are looking forward to their two-week taster at the Senior Campus which begins this week. It will be a great opportunity to prepare for their HSC studies.

Finally, just a reminder to all students and their families about uniform and attendance. When all our students dress in correct uniform, it sends a strong and positive message to our community about the standards and values we believe in, and demonstrates the pride the students have for their school. Regular attendance at school is also essential if students are to reach their potential. Our school, in partnership with parents, makes school attendance a very high priority. Don't forget that good school attendance leads to better school results, better peer relationships and better life chances! Support your child's success at school by getting them here right up until the end of the year.

Mr Paul Taylor
Principal

MESSAGE FROM THE COLLEGE PRINCIPAL

We wish all our 2020 Year 12 students at Jesmond Senior Campus well for their future – with their final HSC exams now over. Despite the challenges we have all faced this year, our Year 12 students in particular have shown remarkable resilience in continuing their learning. Our students celebrated the completion of their schooling with their Formal held last Thursday night at the Senior Campus, and earlier in the term, we held the Graduation Ceremony in the new Auditorium. We had more than 500 family members view the proceedings via live streaming – including some from overseas!

Staff at Jesmond are now enjoying the opportunity to work with our Year 10 students as part of their transition to Jesmond Senior Campus. As restrictions have eased, we are now able to welcome them on site to their new learning environment.

I would like to congratulate our families and staff who are involved in our STARTTS Newcastle Multicultural Youth Group who won the NSW Outstanding Work with Young People from Diverse Backgrounds and Experiences Youth Work Award. This wonderful collaboration supports young people from Refugee and Multicultural backgrounds from across Newcastle. They meet weekly at Wallsend Campus to build connections in their new community.

Mrs Kylee Owen
College Principal, Callaghan College

MESSAGE TO YEAR 10 FROM YOUR YEAR ADVISORS

We would like to take this opportunity to congratulate our graduating Year 10 cohort for 2020. What a year to leave with a bang! As Year Advisors, we have had the pleasure of guiding our group through the past 4 years. Personally, each of us has had time off to have our first babies and it is quite poetic that as advisors, we have all become mothers as well. The year advising role has prepared us all well!

Year 10 have led our school through the toughest year anyone has experienced – having to juggle health and safety restrictions, social limitations and STILL complete all the work required at school is a testament to their dedication to their futures. CCWC is very proud to have you all stepping into the world as young leaders who will make a positive difference in your life and that of others.

We would like to thank you for all you have contributed to our school and look forward to hearing and seeing your progress and development as you move over to Jesmond and beyond. Congratulations to you all!

Mrs Simone Kiriakidis, Mrs Tara McInnes and Ms Carly Barron
Year 10 Advisors

GETTING TO KNOW OUR YEAR 10 ADVISORS

**MRS TARA McINNES,
SCIENCE FACULTY**

What was your favourite subject at school?

PDHPE because it never felt like work.

If you weren't a teacher, what job would you have?

If I had to choose another career, I'd be an orthodontist.

What hobby do you enjoy?

Does Netflix count? I get hooked watching movies and TV series, love long naps, time with my daughter and being with my friends.

Did you always want to be a teacher?

Yes, though I originally wanted to be a primary school teacher.

What's your favourite food?

The kind someone else prepares! I enjoy eating and overindulge in things like chocolate and hot chips.

What's your favourite part of being a Year Advisor?

Building relationships and being able to see everyone grow and achieve.

If you could change one thing about your role what would it be?

I'd like a regular time to meet in smaller groups to develop our relationships and provide additional support.

What's one piece of advice you would give your younger self?

Worry less and spend more time having fun.

Would you promote the role of a teacher/Year Advisor?

Yes. I love teaching and being a Year Advisor is a bonus.



**MS CARLY BARRON
ENGLISH FACULTY**

What was your favourite subject at school?

Drama, for sure. So much fun, silliness and amazing friendships.

If you weren't a teacher what job would you have?

Something working with young people- I seriously considered dance/drama teaching outside of school and thought about a florist, but teaching was just too tempting.

What hobby do you enjoy?

I love being outside, at the beach mostly. Spending time with my family and dog are important to me.

Did you always want to be a teacher?

Yes- I had really positive relationships throughout school and was pretty inspired by what teachers did everyday and how they helped me.

What's your favourite food?
MANGO!

What's your favourite part of being a Year Advisor?

Getting to see students in different environments and watching young people grow and change over their years in high school.

If you could change one thing about your role what would it be?

More opportunities to connect with our year group in a relaxed setting.

What's one piece of advice you would give your younger self?

Allow the mistakes- you are still learning and growing.

Would you promote the role of a teacher/Year Advisor?

For sure! It is a wonderful role to have that helps people develop and learn, especially about yourself.



YEARS 8 – 10 GATS ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

This year has been a really interesting and challenging year for our GATS Enrichment students – between learning about the program while still learning from home, starting their projects later into the year, and now having to present their work via a digital showcase – they've all done an outstanding job coping with the changes and challenges. There have been some amazing projects – from digital escape rooms, to timber modelled cars 'through the ages', to amazing hand-drawn artwork, and ground-breaking scientific research-based investigations.

As we were unable to hold our Annual Showcase, we opened up the exhibition to staff and students who were all very impressed. If you are interested in seeing more, head on over to our Facebook page where we have shared interviews with the students involved and their online presentations.



RECENT FACEBOOK HIGHLIGHTS

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CONGRATULATIONS YEAR 10 DANCE

Congratulations to the Year 10 Dance class who were Wakakirri's top 4 nominees for Story Dance of the Year for their performance 'Pandora's Box.' They didn't win the top title, but came away with Best Minimalist Story Award (meaning that didn't need all the extra pizzazz to tell their story).

This is a massive achievement, as this is an Australian wide competition. The students in Year 10 Dance should be very proud of their achievements in entering this competition for the first year and coming away with an award for all of their hard work and time.



CONGRATULATIONS CHESS TEAM

Recently our Chess Team played our sister campus, Callaghan Waratah, in the Hunter Regional Chess Second Place Finals. After some interesting opening gambits and counter-moves, we are pleased to announce that Wallsend eventually triumphed, winning all 4 boards!

Congratulations also to Waratah Campus on an excellent end to the competition, both teams represented our College with distinction and we are all winners.



Louay B, Zac P (C), John M, and Jack M

NAIDOC WEEK 2020 ALWAYS WAS, ALWAYS WILL BE

Yesterday (Monday 9 November 2020) kicked off our NAIDOC Week celebrations in the Library, which was a hive of activity all day.

On offer were interactive displays, art, hands-on activities, presentations, stories and more.



CELEBRATION OF LEARNING

In this very different world, we have been limited to how we can celebrate the success of our students in 2020.

Unfortunately, we are not able to have families at the assemblies this year, so we have made some adjustments. The main change is we can not hold our Annual Presentation Evening as usual, and the awards traditionally given at that evening will now be presented at the individual Year Assemblies. One assembly per day, which we will stream live online.

Families of students who will be receiving awards will be notified by email with details of how to access the online presentation. We ask that you ensure students are at school in time, as the award ceremonies will be starting right on time. Please also be aware that all students must be in FULL SCHOOL UNIFORM on the day.

MONDAY 7 DECEMBER 2020

- **9.30am – Year 10 final assembly** will be held in the school hall for all Year 10 students. They will receive their final school report plus any First in Class awards they have achieved for Semester 2. At this assembly students who have achieved any major subject or academic awards will also be recognised, along with any recognition of leadership etc. Year 10 students must be in full school uniform and arrive at school between 9.00 and 9.15am and go directly to the Hall. Seats will be labelled alphabetically with student names. The ceremony will commence at 9.30am on the dot and should conclude around 11.00am.
- **11.30am – Callaghan College Excellence Awards (Years 7 – 10 for invited students only)** The families of students who will be receiving an award at this presentation assembly will be sent an email notification. This is being held in the Kur-rur-ka yarning circle and should take around 30 – 40 minutes.

Years 7 – 9: Students are expected to be at school at the usual starting time and go to their Period 1 class. Students who have achieved a First in Class award will be recognised and major special (e.g. Deputy Principals Award), subject and academic awards will also be presented. A reminder that full school uniform is to be worn.

TUESDAY 8 DECEMBER 2020

- **10.00am Year 7 Celebration of Learning**

WEDNESDAY 9 DECEMBER 2020

- **10.00am Year 8 Celebration of Learning**

THURSDAY 10 DECEMBER 2020

- **10.00am Year 9 Celebration of Learning** Our 2021 School Captains will be presented with their badges at this assembly.

Make sure you keep watching your emails closer to the date for details of live stream for your year group and a reminder that no guests are able to attend the ceremony on the day.

JUNIOR THEATRE FESTIVAL

Have you ever heard of the Ghost Light? The Ghost Light is a single bulb that is left burning when the theatre is dark. After months of empty theatres around the world and a lack of opportunities for our students to perform, The Civic Theatre came alive on the 30th and 31st of October with the Junior Theatre Festival.

This event welcomed young performers in person and online from around the globe. A group of students from our campus attended the Junior Theatre Festival via Zoom where they were able to participate in acting workshops including a dance workshop with Alinta Chidzey (played Velma Kelly in Chicago) and a vocal workshop with Tony Award Winner Eddie Perfect.

Our students also got to watch the pilot presentations of two new musicals. The highlight of the event was Adjudications. In the weeks leading up to the event, our students met in small groups at lunch time to rehearse their 10 minute performance piece which was then filmed and submitted for judging. This was played during the festival and was judged by industry professionals. Throughout this whole process, our students demonstrated commitment, leadership, resilience and adaptability. I am very proud to announce that they received an award in the category of Best Acting. Well done to all involved!

Watch this space...2021 is going to be a great year for our musical theatre students.

Mrs Sarah Gauci, English Faculty

WINNERS! Junior Theatre Festival

Congratulations to all students who attended the Junior Theatre Festival. They 'Zoom'ed into the festival with more than 800 other musical theatre loving students to view performances, participate in workshops and receive adjudication for their submission. Callaghan College Wallsend Campus received an award for Best Acting.



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**EXTENDED
TRADING
HOURS IN
JANUARY 2021**

Monday 11 January 3.00pm - 5.00pm
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Tuesday 19 January 8.00am - 10.00am
Thursday 21 January 3.00pm - 5.00pm



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FACULTY IN FOCUS: PDHPE

Mr Andrew Johnson, Head Teacher

Why is PDHPE such an important subject area?

Wallsend Campus PDHPE teachers love their job and really thrive in the challenge of promoting healthy bodies and minds for our students. Our subject is hands-on and the theoretical content covered is relevant to young people's lives. PDHPE is extremely important subject that provides a holistic view of health of young people. Covid lockdown period this year highlighted this importance.

What does a typical day look like for a PDHPE teacher?

The PDHPE curriculum is divided 50/50 between physical activity, and health and personal development. Therefore, the PDHPE staff will have a combination of daily teaching between the two areas both inside and outside the classroom. Our lunchtimes usually involve coaching and training various Wallsend Campus sporting teams or being involved in one of the ten sport lunchtime competitions throughout the year.



What do students need to do to excel in PDHPE?

With the subject being 50% theory and 50% practical, students need to ensure they recognise the importance of both aspects if they wish to perform well. Whilst it is nice to excel at something, it is encouraged that positive engagement and application leads to improvement, enjoyment, improved self esteem and longtime healthy habits.

What is the hardest thing about being a PDPHE teacher?

You have to be flexible in your teaching and have more options then just Plan A. A lot of things happen at secondary school which can impact on your teaching delivery, learning space or teaching materials. The weather is the great variable as a PDHPE teacher. The PDHPE teachers at Wallsend are actively involved in their practical lessons which can also be hard on the ageing body at times. Being able to work collaboratively and display team work skills help to alleviate these pressures.

If I come into a PDHPE class and took a photo, what would we see in the photo?

Kids at play = engagement, smiles, sweat, laughter, determination, growing bodies and minds, and opportunities for success.

What tips do you have to motivate teens to get physically active?

Being active is not just important for physical health, it is beneficial for our social, mental, emotional and spiritual health.

- Be active with others (helps you and others)
- Develop the positive life habits now while your young
- Aim for a daily minimum of 60 minutes of exercise accumulated) or 10,000 steps
- See movement as an opportunity not an inconvenience
- Practice makes progress.

TERM 4 SISTA SPEAK PROGRAM

The Sista Speak Girls had fun learning about bush tucker in particular the Quandong seeds from the Quandong Tree, and the Aboriginal Flag colours and what they represented.

Fun was had by all!

Mrs Karen Rubie, Program Coordinator



OUTGROWN YOUR UNIFORMS?

If you have outgrown your uniforms or are moving on at the end of this year, we gratefully accept any donations of clean uniform items (with the school logo). Just drop them off to the Administration Office any time during school hours.

UNDER 13'S BOYS RUGBY LEAGUE

The boys rugby league finally got their chance to participate in a school competition when they participated in the Michael Hagan Premiership. Confidence was high within the team as a strong outfit had been selected from the successful league mentoring program the school has been running over the last few weeks.

Game one saw the Wildcats play Kotara High School in what was a convincing 16-0 win. The boys then had a hard fought 4-0 win over Hunter River High School where poor mistakes had them defending very well for longer durations of the game. The last game for the day saw the Wildcats play Tomaree High School. They started a little slow in what was very hot conditions, however when they got things right out on the field they were able to comfortably win 16-0.

Players player for the day was Cooper M. who was very strong in both defence and attack. Lochy C. also played a smart game of footy in all games and was awarded the coach's player of the day.

Exciting times ahead for this group of boys when it comes to rugby league in 2021.

Mr Josh Corby
Coach



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