



**CALLAGHAN
COLLEGE**

WALLSEND CAMPUS NEWS

Term 3, 2022



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**Colour Run
Fundraiser
a runaway
success!**

**Over \$1000 raised for
R U OK? Day**

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Principal's Update

Mr Paul Taylor, Principal

Welcome to the end of Term 3. It is an incredibly busy time at school as we prepare for the end of term.

Year 10 have begun to undertake activities regarding their transition to the Jesmond Senior Campus next year and are starting to prepare for their examinations and final assessment tasks commencing in Term 4. I encourage them to persist - the past few years have been challenging and this group of students are capable of amazing things.

The NAPLAN results for 2022 have arrived and have been distributed home. Initial indication showed growth in some areas, and we await the value-added data to see the overall school performance. In 2023 the exam will occur earlier in the year and will provide us with data to ensure consistency of teaching practice and allow staff to better address areas of strength and explore areas for development in our students.

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. Please, let's ensure all students attend in full and correct school uniform.

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!



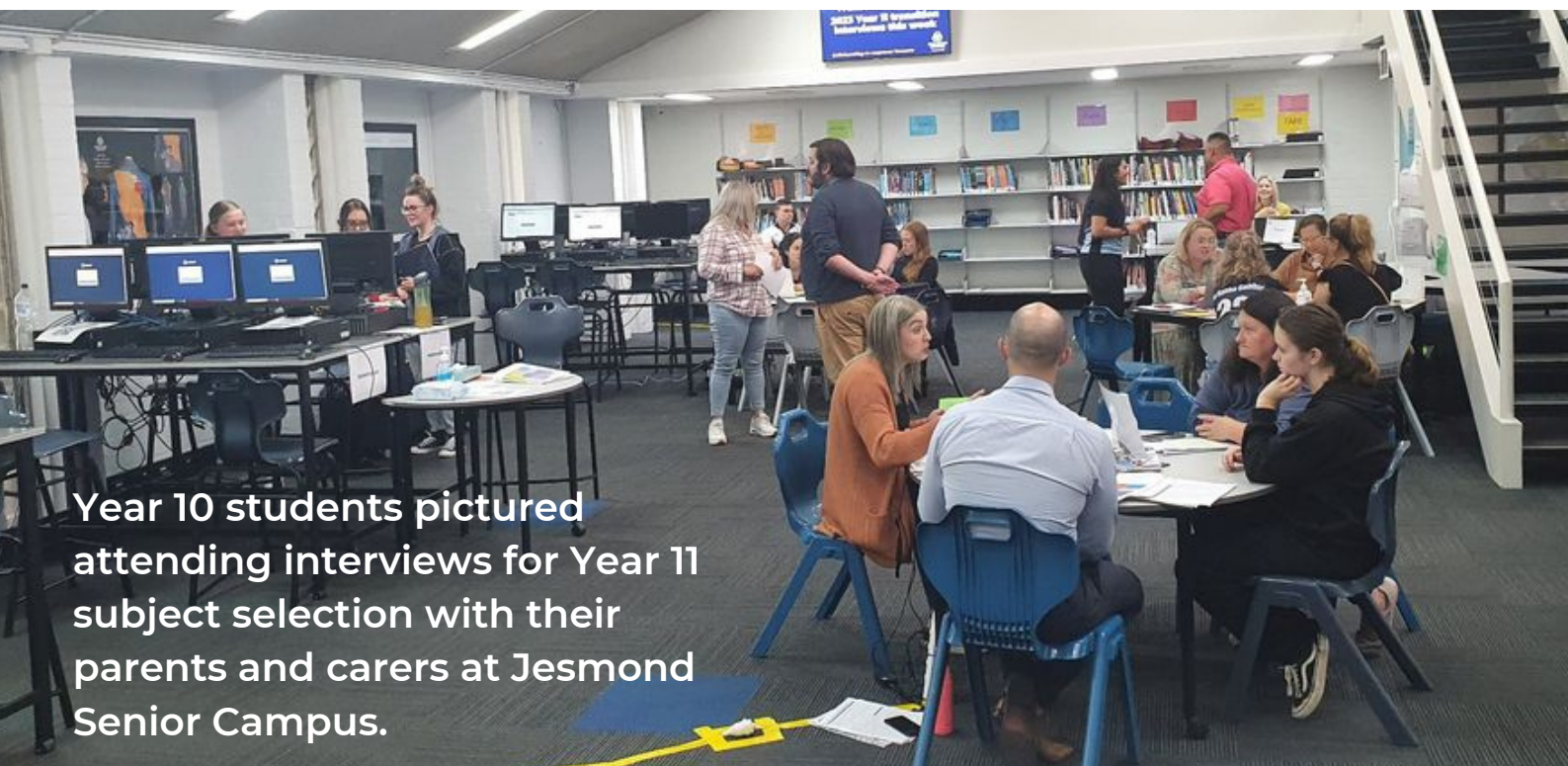
Support your child's success at school by getting them to school right up until the end of the year!

There has been a decline in both attendance and uniform as we have come out of Covid restrictions, and the school will continue to work hard with our community to improve in this area.

It is an incredibly busy time in schools. I would like to thank students for all their hard work and application to their studies as we move towards the final term of school. Furthermore, I'd like to acknowledge the hard work of staff who are trying to manage learning and are doing an exceptional job. Finally, I would like to personally thank our parents and carers for their ongoing support.



Year 10 Transition to Year 11 in 2023



Year 10 students pictured attending interviews for Year 11 subject selection with their parents and carers at Jesmond Senior Campus.

WEEK 6

Authentic assessment Interviews Monday 14 - Friday 18 November

Students will present a piece of work that they have completed in 2022 to a small panel of Callaghan staff at Jesmond Senior Campus. These individual interviews provide students with an opportunity to reflect on their achievements, consider what they have learnt, and discuss opportunities for personal improvement. More information will be provided to Year 10 students early in Term 4.

WEEK 7 & 8

Year 11 transition classes at Jesmond Monday 21 November - Friday 2 December

Year 10 students from Wallsend and Waratah Campuses will experience learning at our Senior Campus during Week 7 and 8 of Term 4, attending senior lessons for two weeks.

This is a great opportunity to get a feel for the courses you have chosen, meet teachers, and familiarise yourself with the campus facilities. It is also a chance to meet students from our sister campus, Waratah, who will also be attending Jesmond Campus next year.

TERM 3 SNAPSHOTS



Year 7 Curious Creations students happily taking on the Lego Masters Challenge.



Dreams come true for Lucinda P, performing at Sydney Opera House with the State Wind Band



2022 Mixed Netball champions competition won by the Giants!!



Thanks to Fire Control & Tilgerry Team for coming to our campus this term! Amazing, vital people!



Mrs Alchin casting her spells during Book Week!



EAL/D cultural & historical excursion around Newcastle.



Fantastic excursion to see Mary Poppins in Sydney at the Lyric Theatre.

TERM 3 SNAPSHOTS

Wallsend students involved in the Amnesty Student Leadership Conference at our Waratah Campus in August.

More than 150 student leaders from local high schools explored important social justice issues including sustainable development, cultural inclusion and human rights.

Local artists also mentored the students on how to influence change.



Wallsend Campus dancers have been busy performing this term: pictured here at Hunter Dance Festival, as well as Callaghan's Grease musical at Jesmond, and ICONIC, celebrating 30 years since the start of StarStruck performances.



Year 9 iStem Elective class 2nd in Robocup Junior Hunter Region Challenge!! Congratulations



Year 10 ski trip

NEWS @ OUR LIBRARY

Games, games and more games!! Come and play in break...

Articulate:

Can you describe a word without actually saying it when you are racing against the clock?

This fast talking description game sounds easy, but you might be surprised when you can't say the actual word on the card!

Heckle your friends as they try and gesticate and articulate, without enunciating the actual word!

Exploding Kittens:

This hilarious card game, which has sold +10 million copies already, allows you to trick your friends into blowing up. What more can you want?

Created by two friends on holidays (Elan Lee, Xbox and Matthew Inman from Oatmeal), it has raised over \$8.7 million, and includes goats, magical enchiladas and kittens that can kill you.



How fast?

Mrs Howard is sending out the challenge to complete the Rubik's Cube in record time... come to the Library and show us your genius. Did you know the current fastest time on record is 3.47 seconds by speedcuber Yusheng Du.



Coming soon in the Library. Keep an eye out for the giant pieces...

LIBRARY OPEN: All students are free to come into the library most mornings before school and during most breaks. You can relax on a lounge to read or reflect, play a game or catch up on some study! Just remember to follow the rules and respect our library while enjoying yourself.

SPORT UPDATE



STATE CHAMPIONS!!!!!!

Congratulations to Zane G, Max W, Riel B and Daniel S., CCWC U14's Boys 4 x 100 Relay Team who won at State Carnival earlier this month!



Our College Rugby League team won the NSW Schoolboy grand final this week at Central Coast Sporting Complex.



Wallsend's Girls AFL team competing in the Swans Shield Gala Day, shmick in their new uniforms.

Kurrurka Update



This term Year 7 students have been participating in the Deadly streaming 16-week program with Craig "Bourkie" Hammond. Through this program, students work to strengthen their sense of culture, self-pride, and identity. Students have also learnt the significance of respecting themselves and others, as well as making connections within community.

Awabakal Health have also run a series of workshops with some of our girls around Health, Nutrition and Careers in the health industry. For the boys, Josh Toole, founder of BlackFit Fitness, has been running a Mentoring program every Tuesday. Josh, a proud Gomeroi and Weilan man from Western NSW, loves sharing his culture with everyone and working with mob to become better versions of themselves, focusing on wellbeing through physical activity, fitness, and culture. See <https://blackfit.com.au/>

As part of NAIDOC Week, Wallsend held a number of events at the end of last term, including our annual NAIDOC Assembly for our community; and a staff v students touch footie competition.

Award recipients, parents and special guests at our NAIDOC Assembly were treated to dance and Yidaki performances from Plattsburg PS and Jesmond Senior Campus, a smoking ceremony by Uncle Alex, and a bush tucker morning tea prepared by Lauren Dunn and students.

This year's theme 'Get Up! Stand Up! Show Up!' pays respect to a proud history of resistance and activism by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, recognising First Nations Peoples' resilience and strength. It also celebrates those who have led significant change in their communities over generations.



Year 10 Aboriginal students getting a sense of the culture at Jesmond

As part of Callaghan's transition program, all Year 10 Aboriginal students visited the Senior Campus to meet with Jesmond's Aboriginal Support Staff and Executive team.

Students were given the opportunity to apply for SBATs, talk with teachers from Wallsend and Jesmond about the subject selection process and get information about the Cultural programs and support available at Jesmond.

All students should be congratulated on their preparation for the subject selection interviews they then participated in and the thought which has gone into planning for their futures.

If any of our Aboriginal families would like more information about the Senior Campus, please contact Callaghan College Jesmond Campus on 02 4952 3922 or email luke.a.kendall@det.nsw.edu.au

New artwork for our school created by local artist with our students

Selected Aboriginal students were invited to participate in an art workshop with local Aboriginal Artist Saretta Fielding to create a collaborative artwork. The finished artwork will be displayed at school.

Pictured here is Saretta with some of the students and her artworks which are already on display in the stairwells of the school. To find out more about Saretta and her artwork, visit her website: www.saretta.com.au



Update on attendance

Only one term to go for 2022!

Don't forget there are prizes for students whose attendance is greater than 90% each term, and a major prize for a student whose attendance is greater than 90% for the year.

We appreciate parents support in ensuring students are arriving at school, in uniform and fully equipped for their learning by 8.55am.

Please do not hesitate to call if you have any concerns. If your child is absent from school, remember you must explain their absence within 7 days via text, phone or email/letter.

**Jesmond Senior Campus, Wallsend
Campus and Waratah Campus Presents:**

CALLAGHAN COLLEGE DANCE SHOWCASE

Tuesday the 11th of October

Starts at 6:30PM

AT JESMOND SENIOR CAMPUS AUDITORIUM

Cost: Free



The first annual Callaghan College Dance Showcase will be an opportunity for students across the three campuses – Jesmond, Wallsend and Waratah to showcase their dance works and performances in the new Performing Arts Auditorium at the Jesmond Senior Campus.

Poster designed by Wallsend Year 10 Student as apart of their assessment task



ONLINE INFORMATION AND CONSENT FORMS

Families, please ensure you return permission notes, medical information and payments by DUE dates. These extra curricular activities are for the benefit of our students, and there is a large amount of background work our staff put in to make these happen.

Ask your child to make sure you know about the activities, excursions and events they are involved in, and keep an eye on your inbox for the online consent forms.

OCT 2022

10	Term 4 commences
11	Callaghan College Dance Showcase
11	Tri Series Sporting Gala Day CCWC v Kotara & Belmont High Schools
13	Van Gough Alive Art Excursion
17	2023 Captain Speeches and Leadership Interviews
19	2022 Inter College Sporting Competition (until 21 Oct)
21	Bandfest

NOV 2022

4	Year 10 Australian Business Week Program (until 10 Nov)
14	Year 10 Authentic assessments (until 18 Nov)
21	2023 Yr 11 Transition at Jesmond Senior Campus (until 2 December)
22	Year 9 ZoosnooZ Overnight Excursion (limit 60 students)
30	Year 7 Swim Survive 3 Day Program (until 2 December)

DEC 2022

5	Presentation Assemblies - more information to come in term 4 (until 8 Dec)
7	Year 7 Swim Survive 3 Day Program (until 9 December)
19	Final day of Term 4 for students





Educational Pathways Program

Go.Forward

**Keen to learn more
and future-proof
your business?**



Register your interest today

Are you a local employer or manager?

Future-proof your business with an SBAT

For employers, taking on a school-based apprentice or trainee (SBAT) means preparing the future workforce for your business, organisation and/or industry. Providing job opportunities for young people is essential in developing the skills base of tomorrow.

For you, training costs are minimised and financial incentives make school based apprenticeships and traineeships a viable employment option. You can expect a tailor-made worker trained and available full-time once they've completed school.

Your apprentice or trainee will undertake a combination of industry-specialised training and one day per week in your paid employment, whilst undertaking their HSC.

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Visit

Glenrock

State Conservation Area

Nature hosts the best stories

Breakfast with the whales at Glenrock

Glenrock State Conservation Area

Thursday 6th October, 2022
7am – 9am

Bring your own breakfast to enjoy, while taking in the stunning scenery at Hickson Street lookout as the sun rises to start a new day.

Learn how to scan the rolling blue for signs of humpback whales making their annual migration south, as they return to the Antarctic waters.

Listen to an NPWS guide, as you share in the stories of these majestic creatures. Keep an eye out for the frolicking play of this season's baby whales learning the way home.

A wonderful, peaceful way to start the day and experience the beauty of this stunning coastal park.

If you have binoculars, please bring them along. Don't forget your cuppa and special breakfast treat.

Bookings essential—Fees apply

For more information and to book please visit

[Breakfast with the whales at Glenrock | NSW National Parks](#)

or call 1300 072 757 (13000 PARKS)



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State Conservation Area

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Junior ranger: Fossil forest ramble

Glenrock State Conservation Area

Wednesday 5th October, 2022
10 am –12pm

Join us for an adventure at Glenrock and discover the fossilised forest on the rock platforms at Dudley Beach. Weave along Bombala walking track through the bush with your NPWS guide, as you descend to the secluded Dudley Beach in Glenrock State Conservation Area.

Learn about these ancient rainforest giants that once grew here, as you explore this unique environment. While standing amongst the giants of the past, pick up some skills from your experienced guide to search the waters for migrating whales.

If you have binoculars, bring them along to help you spot these giants of the deep, as they return south to their home. At the end of this tour, you are welcome to share the trails with your NPWS guide to return to your car. Or you may like to pack a lunch and stay on this hidden gem of a beach and explore on your own.

Bookings Essential—Fees Apply

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[Junior ranger: Fossil forest ramble | NSW National Parks](#)

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Visit

Blue Gum Hills

Regional Park

Nature hosts the best stories

Cultural Connections Tour

Blue Gum Hills Regional Park

Wednesday 28th September, 2022
10am –12pm

Join an Aboriginal Ranger on a cultural journey you won't forget! Along the way, you'll connect with this beautiful country as you listen to cultural stories. Explore this amazing park, whilst gaining a unique insight into the wisdom of the world's oldest living culture. Discover the amazing variety of native plants that were utilised for food, shelter and medicinal purposes.

Aboriginal culture is very much alive today in NSW national parks. Aboriginal people have always & will always have a deep connection with the landscape and everything in the landscape has significance including the land and waterways, plants and animals. This history will forever be an integral part of this landscape.

Please wear enclosed shoes and bring insect repellent, hat and sunscreen as well as drinking water and snacks.

Bring your lunch and enjoy the great picnic and free BBQ facilities available in the park.

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL- Fees Apply.

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