



Welcome to Callaghan College's seventh Community Newsletter. Throughout this publication you will find a wide range of articles that showcase our student success stories as well as the amazing programs on offer across all three campuses. From everyone at Callaghan College, enjoy.

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Collaborating To Empower Learners

CELEBRATING EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION

Callaghan College is celebrating as the campuses are recognised at the NSW Department of Education's Inaugural Technology for Learning Awards.

On Monday 13th August the Jesmond Senior Campus and Wallsend Technology Campus both received awards.

The Jesmond Senior Campus VITaL project was presented the T4L award for **LEADER IN THE INTEGRATION OF VIRTUAL LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS** in Sydney. VITaL is bringing virtual reality into the classroom via INTERACTIVITY, CREATIVITY and EXPLORATION across all KLA's.

The Team - Samantha Riddell, Jay Fairweather, Georgia Callaghan and Mathew Jennings presented four presentations over the day, demonstrating the VITaL project to teachers, administrators and members of the broader technology education community.

The Wallsend Campus received two awards:

LEADER IN DEVELOPING DIGITAL COLLABORATIVE COMMUNITIES

Callaghan College Wallsend Campus has staff leading the way in developing digital collaborative communities in diverse and accessible ways connecting with local and global audiences.

INNOVATION IN DIGITAL ADMINISTRATION AND MANAGEMENT

CCWC is recognised as a lighthouse school in the use of technology in administration, management, communication and teaching & learning. Technology underpins all processes used at the school. Staff, students, parents and the community have 24/7 access to robust, reliable and innovative systems mainly hosted in the cloud.

Congratulations to both Campuses.

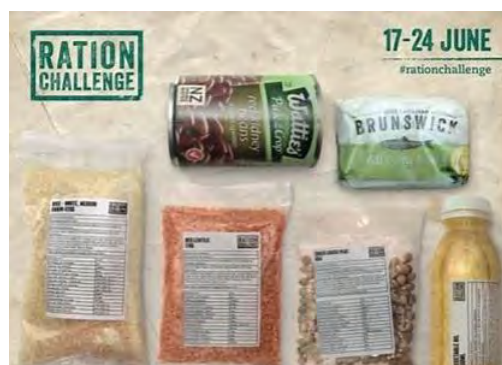
Amy Worth
Callaghan College Coordinator

2018 RATIONS CHALLENGE

This year, during Refugee Week from Sunday the 17th to Saturday the 23rd of June, 3 staff members and 39 students from Callaghan College Wallsend Campus participated in the 'Act for Peace' Rations Challenge for Schools.

This involved living for 3 days on the same rations that Syrian and other refugees have to live on; just a small amount of rice, flour, lentils, chick peas, beans, fish and oil.

Even though this was a difficult challenge, students and staff took to it with great enthusiasm and not a single complained. Recipes were shared and creative dishes compared.



Together with their families and friends, our staff and students raised \$8677.92.

Our school ranked 10th and Australia wide we have raised more than 8 million dollars so far, to provide food, medicine and education for refugee children.

Tineke Canon
Callaghan College Wallsend EALD Faculty

WALLSEND CAMPUS

1st & 2nd IN SOLAR CAR UNSW SYDNEY 2018

This year's Solar Car challenge was held on Saturday 1th of September at the University of NSW Sydney.

Wallsend Campus entered 8 cars in the high school category and for the first time, 1 car in the STEM category. The mini sprint high school category which is run on a 20 metre straight track had a total of 80 cars.

Team members Ryan Stevenson, Tessa Bellamy & Dayna Best (Yr. 9) and their car finished **2nd** in this event.

In the STEM category which is run over 2 days (Friday & Saturday) on a large figure 8 track, team members Sophie Gray, Mia Smith & Emmer Tracey – Richards (Yr. 10) and their car finished **1st** in this event.

The criteria for this event being the race result, completion of a Log/Journal of the construction stage & a presentation before a panel on the day. This was an excellent result, as this is the first time we have entered a team in this event.



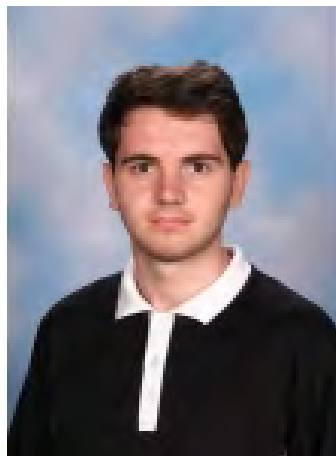
Graham Westley & Jiv Kilham
Callaghan College Wallsend TAS and Science Faculty

HRATA AWARDS

Callaghan College Jesmond Senior Campus were honoured to attend the HRATA awards on Friday the 25th of June. This prestigious awards night recognises outstanding achievement in Vocational Education.

We had two finalists on the night, a huge achievement to be in the top 3 students in their chosen VET subject/work area in the region. On the night they highlighted there are 9000 VET students in our region so to be a finalist was an outstanding accomplishment. We are extremely proud of Daniel Ralston (Year 12) and Nina Moore (Year 12) for this achievement. Daniel received a finalist place for Hospitality VET student in schools of the year. Nina placed as a finalist for the category SBAT of the year for her work with HNEH as Paediatric Nurse!

Mrs Kayla Loyola
Callaghan College Jesmond



DARLING HARBOUR TRIP

On Wednesday 12 September 2018, our year 12 Life Skills English students took a trip to Darling Harbour in Sydney.

The excursion was the result of studying the unit of work, "On the Road- English and the World of Travel". The students organised all aspects of the trip, including budgeting, transportation, venues to visit and a restaurant to have lunch.

We took a walking tour of the Queen Victoria Building, visited Madame Tussauds and the Sydney Aquarium. The highlight of the day was having lunch by the harbour at Casa Ristorante Italiano where we enjoyed wonderful weather, delicious food and engaged in warm conversation. It was a magnificent way to celebrate 13 years of schooling and have a final opportunity to connect as a group.

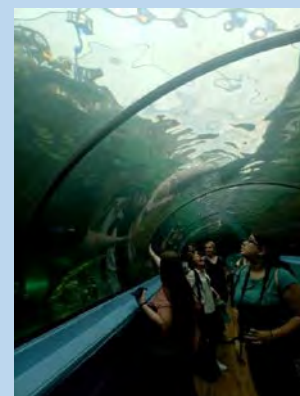
"I am exceptionally proud of these young women and excited for the new chapter in the lives they are about to embark upon"

Megan West
Callaghan College Jesmond

JESMOND CAMPUS



"I enjoyed the aquarium a lot. Seeing all the creatures was very interesting and watching them interact with each other was amazing."(Nikita)



YEAR 11 HONOR ROLL BREAKFAST

On Friday 7th September, sixty year 11 students and a parent / carer sat down for the Year 11 Honour Roll Brunch in the Bini.

Hospitality staff and students prepared a fantastic assortment of food and beverages to reward students for achieving excellent results with a positive learning attitude through-out their year 11 studies.

"The honour roll conveyed how much Jesmond appreciates individuals who strive for success in their learning environment, where students were congratulated for their efforts in and out of school. As a community event, it was an excellent chance to meet other successful students and their loved ones that were delighted to be part of it. Overall it was a great event where the hospitality students went above and beyond in their catering services, another display of excellence." Bailey Myers



Jay Fairweather, Mark Thornton and Pam Long
Callaghan College Jesmond

FATHERS DAY BREAKFAST

What a great start to our Father's Day weekend. WTC had a great turnout of Dads, Pops and Uncles with their students serving them breakfast on Friday August 31.

Thank you to our special guest Anthony Wood (local author of children's books) for sharing a little snippet of his life and discussing the importance of men's health. Men's health is an issue we should all be aware of and take care of.

HAPPY FATHERS DAY

"My Dad enjoyed his breakfast and I liked having him come along to our breakfast because it is my last year at Waratah before I go to senior campus." **Simone Landers**

Marcelle Powell
Callaghan College Waratah Technology Campus



WARATAH CAMPUS

CHESS CHAMPS

On Thursday 6th September our chess team Vu Hai Tran, Connor Sternbeck, Charles Belcastro, Tri Minh Luong and Minh Thang Pham competed at the Regional Interschool Chess Semi Finals.

It was very competitive but they came out overall 2nd qualifying school on the day and now move on to the State competition in Burwood on Friday 21st September. Vu Hai Tran also qualified as 2nd overall player on the day. He only lost 1 game.

The team performed at an outstanding level under a lot of pressure. They are now preparing for the state competition.

"I am so lucky to be playing in this Chess team - I have learnt so much and we won". **Charles Belcastro**

Brodie Seferovic
Callaghan College Waratah Technology Campus



A NIGHT AT THE MOVIES

This was "a night at the movies" with a difference! Dance, drama, music and multimedia combined to create a spectacular evening of entertainment for our audiences on August 9 and 10 at Callaghan College Wallsend Campus. A huge cast of students performed like professionals to get the crowds at three big performances on their feet and wanting more.

Head Teacher CAPA, Mark Holdsworth said "the night has been a huge success. It was a massive effort by all of our teachers and students, and I can't wait for the next one!"

Principal Paul Taylor, "We're going to need a bigger hall!"

Candece Bergen, Samantha Wong, Kirbi Masters, Penelope Wilson, Shane Brain, Brien McVernon, Helena Rosenkranc - Callaghan College Wallsend Campus



WALLSEND CAMPUS

AUSTRALIAN EDUCATION AWARDS

Health and Well-being for Girls is an elective for Year 8 girls at Wallsend Campus that was developed by Karen White (PDHPE) and implemented in 2013. The program has been very well received by the girls at Wallsend Campus for the last 5 years and was a finalist in the National Education Awards this year in the category of Best Student Well-being Program.

An engaging elective that has its focus on improving levels of resilience, connection, well-being and self-acceptance of our girls. There is strong evidence that students who are better supported in their well-being have higher academic achievement and better life outcomes in relation to health, employment, social inclusion and economic independence (Well-being Framework DOE – 2016). The program helps the girls to realize that if they can gain or maintain the level of self – acceptance that works for them; through acknowledging their unique place in the world, they may then start to identify their strengths and potential to achieve.

Preliminary results from an evaluation of the program conducted in association with the University of Newcastle, are very positive in relation to pro-social outcomes and psychological health.

Karen White

Callaghan College Wallsend Campus



8C's AMAZING JOURNEY INTO FUTURE LEARNING

One of the innovative teachers at WTC, Mr Williams, coordinated an opportunity for 8C to showcase their Future Learning Presentations.

The students presented to 5 distinguished guests, Mrs Josie Bailey - Director Educational Leadership, Dr Heather Sharp from the University of Newcastle Education Faculty, Katrina Fowler, Vice President, College P&C, Chandler Williams, inspirational young community member and school principal, Mrs Macdonald. Year 8 were exceptional in presenting '**What education might look like in 2030**'. Their confidence & maturity excelled & WTC is extremely proud of the achievements.

Students' presentations included the review of areas surrounding culture, language, wellbeing, school times, innovation, Teacher education, discipline, uniforms and homework.

"The presentations were great – they had a lot of different varieties of ideas and a lot of thought went into solving possible future problems in education." **Krishna Kardhita**

Steve Williams

Callaghan College Waratah Technology Campus



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PERRE DE COUBERTIN AWARD

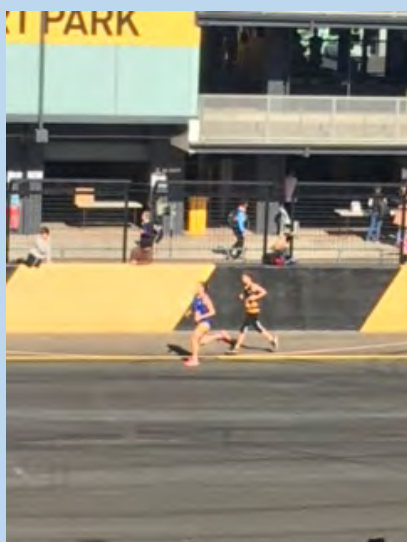
Congratulations to Amy Phillips who attended the Perre de Coubertin Award ceremony. This award is given to students across NSW who have represented their school over a number of years and sports with Olympic Spirit.

Amy is currently in Year 10 and over the past 4 years at Callaghan College Waratah Technology Campus has participated in Athletics, Swimming, Cross Country, Basketball, Netball, Soccer, Futsal, Rugby League, Orienteering and Triathlon. An honour thoroughly deserved.

"On Friday the 29th of June I was lucky enough to be given the chance to attend the academy day which was followed by the award ceremony for the Pierre de Coubertin award (NSW). During the academy day I along with about 100 other students from all different schools got to listen to some amazing Olympic athletes as well as Olympic committee members, they talked about various topics for example how they got to where they are now, doping in sport as well as the Olympic movement which include who Pierre de Coubertin was. I made many friends and learnt a lot before being able to celebrate not only my own achievements but all the other amazing students I was surrounded by at the award ceremony where I shook hands with Jarryd Hughes who is a winter Olympic athlete in the Snowboard cross." **Amy Phillips**

Kerrie Bradley

Callaghan College Waratah Technology Campus



EUROPE TRIP 2018

The Europe Tour 2018 was one of the best experiences of our lives. We thoroughly enjoyed travelling to amazing ancient and modern historical sites across the 5 different countries that we visited.

We began in Rome, visiting the famed Colosseum, Roman Forum, Trevi Fountain, Pantheon and several other major historical sites. Next up was the beautiful seaside town of Sorrento, where we were able to travel and tour both Pompeii and Herculaneum. Our tour of Italy concluded with a trip to Mt. Vesuvius National Park, where we were left breathless due to the steep climb to the summit, and the captivating view that followed.

After a bus ride back to Rome and a plane trip, we landed in Munich, Germany. After a very moving visit to Dachau concentration camp and Neuschwanstein Castle we continued on to Nuremburg which included staying in a castle. There we were able to experience WW2 history and specifically the rise and fall of the Nazi party through visits to several famous sites such as the Zeppelinfeld and the Nuremburg Trials Courtroom

From Germany we toured the Western Front battlefields of WW1 to Ypres in Belgium. We were honoured to both witness and participate in a Last Post Ceremony under the humbling Menin Gate. The following morning was an early rise for the Anzac Day Dawn Ceremony in Polygon Wood where we were able to pay our respects to the ANZAC's by laying a wreath on behalf of our school. We also were granted the opportunity to participate in a WW1 platoon experience. We were 'enlisted' and fitted with Australian WW1 Army uniforms and equipment then marched the Passchendaele trail.



JESMOND CAMPUS



Following Belgium was a bus trip to Paris. Along the way we visited the Somme battlefields of WWI including Fromelles and Pozieres. In Paris, we took in the marvels of the Eiffel Tower, enjoyed a carousel ride, dropped into the Musee du Louvre to view the Mona Lisa, strolled the Champs Elysees, climbed the Arc De Triomphe visited Notre Dame cathedral, Sacre Cour and indulged in the occasional Nutella crepe. The last part of our tour took us by high speed train from Paris to London. Alongside breath taking views and experiences including The London Eye, we visited Winston Churchill's war rooms, Buckingham Palace, The Globe Theatre, St Paul's Cathedral, the Tower of London and Westminster Abbey. Such museums provided us with a deeper insight and knowledge into our chosen humanity-based subjects. Our final night had us attend a performance of the musical 'School of Rock' in London's famed West End.

All in all this was an absolutely phenomenal experience, enlarging our perspective of the world and giving us some of the best times of our lives!

"Best experience ever! I would highly recommend to anyone wishing to experience the world!" **Michael Leggett**

"It was just an amazing experience, got to meet lots of new people!"
Grace Osbourne

Callaghan College Jesmond Campus

AUSTRALIAN EDUCATION AWARDS



Mrs Blight wears many caps and never leaves a stone unturned. Her approach to teaching and Student and Staff well-being is of utmost importance to her. She will go above and beyond every day - not just sometimes. Recently Mrs Blight was nominated for a prestigious award by the Australian Educational Awards Committee. This is the first year the awards night has been presented so it gave us a great deal of pride to see someone with so much passion to be nominated.

Nothing is ever a problem for Mrs Blight to involve herself in our campus activities and programs, giving 110% always. Students flock to her and know that not only is she a great teacher to have, but also a positive person they can go to on campus for many things. She is a 'go to' person for all kinds of reasons, but her teaching qualities and skills are of the highest standards. Her natural ability to make everyone feel comfortable and at ease, often gives her a long line of staff and students knocking at her door. Thank you Mrs Blight and well done on your nomination – you are a winner in Waratah Technology Campus' eyes.

"Mrs Blight is really entertaining and funny and a really nice. She is also a good teacher." **Thomas Watson**

Marcelle Powell
Callaghan College Waratah Technology Campus



WARATAH CAMPUS

SASS RECOGNITION WEEK

A massive thank you to our School Administration Support Staff who go above & beyond every day. Without the assistance of this exceptional team, including Student Learning Support Officers, General assistants & our amazing Canteen Staff, our school would be lost. Our school community cannot do without these amazing people. One of our office ladies also celebrates 20 years of service, so on behalf of Waratah Technology Campus, thank you to your contribution and to the lives of our many students and their families. Many, many thanks, not only for SASS Recognition Week, but also for every other week of the year.

"Dear SAS Staff, as we reach the end of SASS Recognition Week, thank you for the exceptional service and care that you exhibit each day in your work for the students in our schools. Thank you for the energy and strength in your much valued and highly valuable work. Please know that each of our Directors, Educational Leadership also appreciate the warmth, consideration and purpose in your work. Collectively you are making a striking difference to the achievements, aspirations and dreams of our young people's lives." **Tim McCallum, Executive Director, School Performance Regional North Operational Directorate**

Marcelle Powell
Callaghan College Waratah Technology Campus



SCIENCE WEEK

During National Science Week (11th-19th August), students at CCWTC participated in different activities each lunch to celebrate scientific inventions. The theme this year was, 'Game Changers and Change Makers' and was focussed on the scientists, engineers, technologists, mathematicians, designers and innovators of the past and present. Students participated in activities such as; decoding to gather information, building boats and planes from paper as well as analysing photos to map Australian reefs. As the week went on, more students each day were engaging in the activities. Overall, it was a fun week of lunchtime activities which brought together students from every year level.

Happy winner of the paper plane competition, Karungurungu Tubaleke. (Photo)

Sarah-Jane Rosenbaum
Callaghan College Waratah Technology Campus



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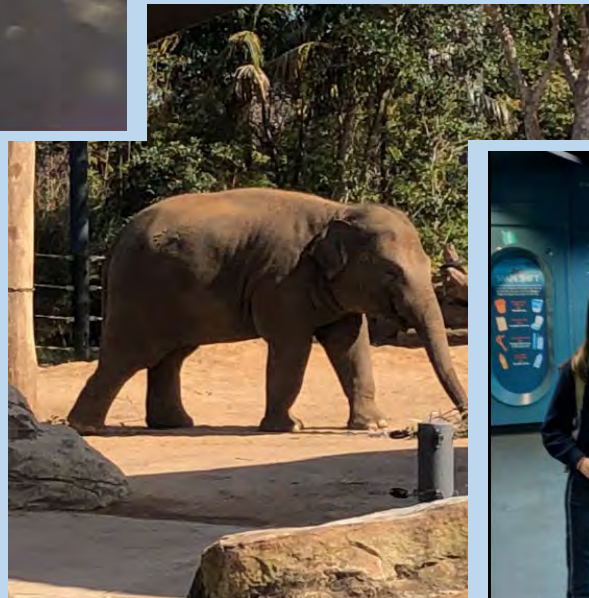
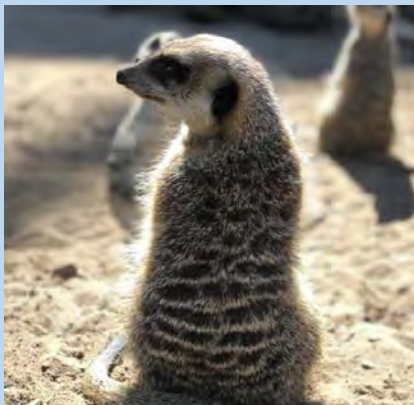


TARONGA ZOO

Year 7 students from Callaghan College Waratah Technology Campus travelled to Taronga Zoo in August. The students attended a workshop which provided them with an opportunity to experience animals face-to-face whilst learning about the topic "Living Things". Some students watched the seals show and others watched the bird show. Students had a wonderful day at the zoo.

"Had so much fun, and it was cool to see all the animals" **Bryce Foti-Rolfe**

Rachel Hurn
Callaghan College Waratah Technology Campus



INTRODUCING THE NEW COLLEGE P & C



President

My name is Dee Newton and I have been involved with Callaghan for the past 9 years. I currently have two children at the Waratah Technology Campus and I look forward to representing the P7C this year as its President.

COLLEGE P&C MEETING
TERM 4
19th of November



Vice President

Hi, my name is Katrina Fowler. This year I hold two roles on Callaghan College P & C; Vice President and College Council Representative. I have two boys at Waratah, in year 10 and year 8, so next year my eldest heads over to Jesmond. I wanted to be part of the P&C to learn more about the College and how I can contribute to the school

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Secretary

My name is Kate Marchevsky, I'm a newcomer to Newcastle and loving it! My daughter is in year 7 at Waratah High. I've joined the P&C to see what I can do to make the school years a great experience for all our kids. I think it's important for the school to be able to reach the parent population easily and this is another way for this to happen. I look forward to exploring how we can help the College meet its goals this year as the P&C secretary.



Treasurer

My Name is Julie Iveson and I'm this year's P&C Treasurer. I have a son in year 7 at Waratah High and year 11 at Jesmond. I am glad to be a part of the P&C and am keen to see how as a parent community we can make things even better for Callaghan College. Having so many parents connected with the school gives us so much potential to use some of our time, talents and finances to help our kids in their education and provide resources for the school. Looking forward to a great year and meeting you!