

VINCENTIA VIBE - THE VOICE OF OUR SCHOOL

Term 4 Week 4B 03/11/2016

Dear Parents/Carers

If you look around it is most definitely spring! The sun is shining; the weather warming up and the promise of summer lingers in our coastal air. It's hard not to smile! Looking around our school, can likewise, present many reasons to feel grateful for the students and staff who consistently go above and beyond to be the sunshine in our community's day.

This week I would like to congratulate and applaud the students that constantly and consistently act as a respectful and responsible member of our school community, always aiming to do their personal best. Being 'good' can so often be overlooked as it becomes an expected behaviour and we would really like to thank those students whose attendance, learning application and general spirit contribute to the positive learning community we nurture here at Vincentia High School.

Of course, this is a timely reminder to all students that our values of Respect, Responsibility and Personal Best remain central to our core business and that we expect all students to work with us to ensure they are in the right place at the right time, in uniform and working toward making the classroom a positive place for all.

We are looking forward to a productive and positive end of term, with lots coming up - it remains important that we work together to ensure that we end the year as successfully as possible.

Have a great week!

Renee Gilbert

Deputy Principal, Stage 4



Showcase 2016

Thursday 17th November

6pm to 8.30pm

Tickets \$5 from the office

Standing Up for our 'Udderly Awesome' Dairy Farmers



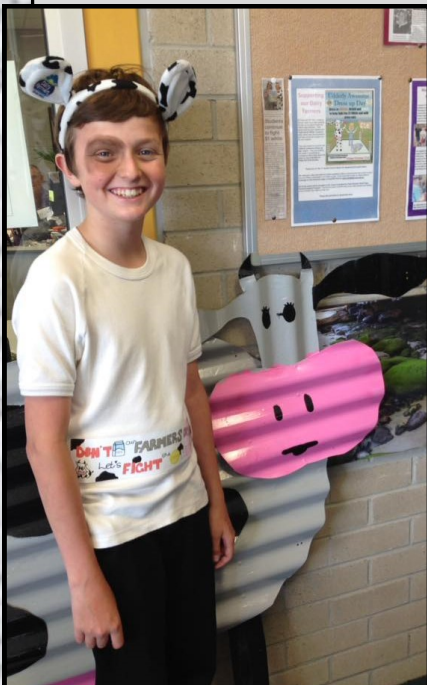
On October 21 2016, 80 schools around Australia dressed up as cows or farmers and donated a gold coin to support our nation's dairy farmers in the inaugural 'Udderly Awesome Dress-Up Day'. The idea for the dress up day came from Vincentia High School's Year 9 Making Money class students after a visit to Tim Cochrane's dairy farm in Terrara. Teacher, John Fairs said the students were shocked to see first-hand the devastation that the industry was facing and wanted to do something to help.

The intention of the day was to bring about awareness and show our dairy farmers that we care. It was also for our students to see how they can make a difference in their community with a lot of hard work and passion. The students phoned and emailed hundreds of schools to inform them about the campaign and gain their support. Funds are still coming in from the day, on average schools raised around \$400 each.

This project follows on from the school's ongoing bumper sticker campaign with the slogan 'Don't milk our farmer's dry, let's fight the \$1 White Milk' campaign' which raised over \$1,500 for emergency counselling for dairy farmers via Lifeline.

This campaign has had media coverage locally and nationally and was featured on a Victorian news channel!

Well done Vincentia High!



Celebrating our Teachers, on World Teachers' Day



Last Friday we celebrated World Teachers' Day, which is an important day held internationally to acknowledge the skills and efforts of teachers in an increasingly complex society. Every day teachers make a difference as they inspire and engage young people to learn and succeed.

Our non-teaching staff hosted a morning tea to thank and pay tribute to our AMAZING teachers. Our students are very lucky to have such dedicated, compassionate and quality teachers guiding them on their learning journey.

***'Today you lead the school;
tomorrow your students will lead the world!'***



A teachers purpose is not to create students in his own image, but to develop students who can create their own image.

A teacher takes a hand, opens a mind and touches a heart!

The object of teaching a child is to enable him or her to get along without their teacher!

Teachers change the world one child at a time?

Gaining skills in Bricklaying & Construction



Daniel and Simon from GTK Construction

Training are working with some of our students for 5 weeks towards a partial completion of Certificate II in Construction. What a fabulous out door learning environment we have for our students to gain these invaluable skills.



Coffee Morning at the Tea Club

The next Defence coffee morning
is at the

Tea Club (6 Berry St, Nowra)

on **Tuesday November 8**

from **10.30 to 11.30am**

Come along for a coffee and a chat

Children are welcome

Smile and Win!

School Oral Health and Dental Care Program!

Our school recently partnered with Australian Mobile Dental Care (AMDC) to offer an excellent preventative dental program at **no cost** to students, who are eligible under the federal government's Child Dental Benefits Schedule (CDBS).

To support a **healthier school community**, students wishing to have their teeth checked for a healthy smile, as well as a **chance to win** an Apple Smart Watch and Virtual Reality Headset, should read and return the **parental consent forms** handed out as soon as possible.

The large state-of-the-art clinic will be here in **Term 4 Weeks 5-7** to provide **free assessments** and education to every student. They will provide fully bulked billed services, including a scale and clean, fissure sealants, fluoride applications and further treatment as required. Prevention packages for students in private health funds who do not qualify for the Medicare CDBS scheme with NO GAP payable will also be offered.

This program has been successfully established by AMDC for a number of years now in over 350 schools throughout NSW alone to encourage children to take care of their teeth and gums from an early age.

Student eligibility is based upon the CDBS scheme; if you're not sure whether you qualify for this program, AMDC can check on completion of the consent form and get in touch with you!

We are all very excited to be a part of this amazing opportunity for our students, especially those who struggle to regularly visit the dentist. As we know, bad oral health also affect our students' overall wellbeing, including their eating habits and nutrition, classroom attentiveness, speech development and social confidence.

If you have any questions regarding eligibility and what the program offers, please contact the school or AMDC directly on 02 9761 4700.

Mobile Dental Care forms due back NOW!

*AMDC will be at VHS for the next 3 weeks,
please get your forms back now to take advantage
of this service if you are eligible!*

What's happening at Vincenia High School

Thursday 3/11/16

- ☞ HSC Exams
- ☞ Elevate UOW Yr 11 SRC

Friday 4/11/16

- ☞ HSC Exams
- ☞ Yr 8 Girls Gala Day

Monday 7/11/16

- ☞ Mobile Dental Care

Tuesday 8/11/16

- ☞ Mobile Dental Care

Wednesday 9/11/16

- ☞ Mobile Dental Care

Thursday 10/11/16

- ☞ Yr 12 Formal
- ☞ Mobile Dental Care

Friday 11/11/16

- ☞ Remembrance Day
- ☞ Mobile Dental Care

Monday 14/11/16

- ☞ Mobile Dental Care
- ☞ Yr 10 Exams

Tuesday 15/11/16

- ☞ Mobile Dental Care
- ☞ Yr 10 Exams

Wednesday 16/11/16

- ☞ Mobile Dental Care

Thursday 17/11/16

- ☞ Mobile Dental Care
- ☞ Showcase

Friday 18/11/16

- ☞ Mobile Dental Care

Year 10 Welcome to
Senior School Celebration
Thursday, 8th December

YOUR SCHOOL CONTACTS

S Glenday	Principal
P Hogan	Deputy Principal Stage 6 (Yrs 11 & 12)
M Meehan	Head Teacher Teaching & Learning Literacy/ Numeracy
R Gilbert	Deputy Principal Stage 4 (Yrs 7 & 8) (Rel)
P Greyling	Head Teacher WellBeing
P Taylor	Deputy Principal Stage 5 (Yrs 9 & 10)
H Pastor	Head Teacher Teaching & Learning 21 st Century
J Oxley	School Administration Manager
M Swanson	Head Teacher Admin (Rel)
G Keogh	Head Teacher English (Rel)
G Smith	Head Teacher Mathematics
T Borg	Head Teacher Science
L Ryder	Head Teacher CAPA
J von Stieglitz	Head Teacher HSIE (Rel)
A Newton	Head Teacher TAS
P Raftery	Head Teacher PDHPE
B Sauvao	Head Teacher Sport
S Clark	Head Teacher Support
J Scott	Head Teacher Gumbari Unit
A Glenday	Head Teacher Learning & Support
K Lane	Head Teacher Ganya Garindja Unit
K Walker	School Counsellor
G Brown	Aboriginal Education Officer Ganya Garindja

Key Dates for Year 12

Thursday 13th October till
4th November

- HSC Examinations

Thursday 10th November

- Yr 12 Formal

Thursday 15th December

- HSC Results

Friday 16th December

- ATAR Results

NDIS INFORMATION FORUM

Come along to our FREE information forum where we will share our insights, experience and knowledge of the NDIS.

You will gain valuable information that will give you confidence about the NDIS.

Be assured that we are here to support you every step of the way.

All venues are accessible and parking is available

Light refreshments provided

Please confirm your attendance by contacting the DSA Customer Connections team on 1300 372 121 or email customerconnections@dsa.org.au

Date: Wednesday 16 November

Time: 10am and 6pm

Location: St Georges Basin Country Club
11 Paradise Beach Road, Sanctuary Point



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