

CASINO HIGH SCHOOL

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Calendar Events 2021

Week 1 -Term 12021, Week B

Wednesday 27.01.2021

Staff Development Day

Thursday 28.01.2021

Staff Development Day

Friday 29.01.2021

Years 7, 11 & 12 students return to school

Monday 01.02.2021

All students return to school



Principal's Message

Welcome to Casino High School's last Newsletter for 2020. The year has been quite intense commencing with drought and bushfires and then followed by COVID. It has tested the resilience of students, staff and the community.

Classroom lessons were altered to accommodate home learning involving a variety of learning platforms. Additionally the restrictions regarding social contact and organised sport created work pressures and requirements for students, staff and parents we have never known!

I applaud the efforts of parents, carers, students and staff throughout this ever changing landscape.

On a very positive note I would like to congratulate Casino High School Vice President, Isabella Ennever of Year 11 who recently won the Casino Lions Club Youth of the Year Public Speaking Competition.

I would also like to commend Bryce Freeburn, Lakeysia Drew and Michaela McGregor who have all been awarded substantial scholarships to assist with their high school education. Thank you to the dedicated teachers for supporting and mentoring the students with their applications.

Thank you to the parents and carers who were able to attend our restricted Academic Awards Assemblies this week. It was a great pleasure to recognise and celebrate the outstanding academic efforts of our students.

We welcome Alyssa Goode who received a permanent appointment to the Casino High School Science and PDHPE Faculty. Alyssa brings a great deal of enthusiasm and knowledge to this role and I'm sure she will be an outstanding member of staff.

Long serving Head Teacher of English Mrs Lyn Tiernan, a committed and dedicated teacher will be retiring at the end of the year. Lyn has been at Casino High School educating and nurturing students to meet their full potential for many years. On behalf of staff and students, past and present, I would like to wish Lyn all the very best in her retirement.

This will also be my last newsletter item as Principal of Casino High School as I too will be retiring at the end of this year. I would like to thank the Casino Community for their support over the past six years. Mr Daniel Moar has been appointed as the Principal in 2021 and I'm sure he will be well supported by our community and enjoy the challenge of tasks as I have throughout my time as Principal. I wish everyone a great Christmas and all the best in their future endeavours.

Mr Schneider

Retiring Principal



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Farewell Mr Schneider



Mr Schneider has been heavily entrenched at Casino High School for a long time. From his beginning years as a student, he progressed through to University to become Head Teacher of HSIE and from the end of 2014 was appointed Principal of Casino High School.

During his time as Principal he has been passionate about improving many aspects of the school for the students and staff. To reflect on just a few of his achievements we'd like to acknowledge the following projects. Mr Schneider was instrumental in growing the Agriculture area which now boasts workable covered yards and prize winning cattle. The LEAP centre has become an attractive learning area for the students and his largest and possibly most intense project by far was overseeing the rebuilding of the School Canteen after the fire.

Mr Schneider the staff and students thank you and wish you a long and happy retirement.



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School News



We welcome Mr Daniel Moar, Principal of Casino High School commencing 2021 and congratulate our incoming School Presidents for 2020-2021 Sara Cole and Ezra Frost and Vice Presidents Isabella Ennever and Adam Anderson.

NOMADS Online 2020

Well this will be a year to remember for all of us in 2020. Our students and staff have been working tirelessly to produce outstanding work in the Creative and Performing Arts this year under difficult circumstances.

Our Night of Music, Art and Drama is a yearly event that showcases the talents of our Years 7-12 students in the Arts at Casino High School. It was quite difficult for us to have to cancel the Performance Evening, as it has been such a long-standing tradition for us. We understand the importance of the Arts and it is imperative for us to showcase this to our parents in the community, so with an attitude of 'for every problem there is a solution', 'NOMADS ONLINE' was born.

As you can imagine, the production preparation in this format is absolutely massive, so rather than releasing the whole show at once, videos will be uploaded to 'CASINO HIGH SCHOOL FACEBOOK' and our School Website periodically.

Thank you to all our students and staff involved in the show, and also to our local community.

Regards,

Mr Michael Andrews
Head Teacher
Creative and Perform Arts



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Celebrating Our Students Success

Casino High School is very proud to announce the achievements of the following Year 10 Goori students.

Bryce Freeburn was successful in securing a Public Education Foundation Rural & Remote Indigenous Secondary Scholarship. This is a remarkable achievement as only two scholarships of this type were awarded in the state. This scholarship is worth \$4000 and can be spent on items such as learning aids, text books, computers and software, internet connection, tutoring and other items and activities related to his education in Years 11 and 12.

Lakeysia Drew was also successful in securing a scholarship. She has been awarded an Andrew Casey Indigenous Scholarship. Winning this scholarship is a significant achievement and is valued at \$2,000. Lakeysia will be able to spend her scholarship money on Studiosity, which provides on-demand study support, and mentoring through the Public Education Foundation. She will also be able to purchase educational resources such as learning aids, text books, computers and software, internet connection, tutoring and other items and activities related to her education.



Casino Lion's Club Youth of the Year

Casino High School is very proud to announce that Isabella Ennever is the Casino Lion's Club Youth of the Year. The Lion's Club National Youth of the Year competition was held at St Mary's Catholic College, Casino on Saturday 5 December. Isabella was successful in winning both the application/interview stage and the prepared speech and impromptu questions stage. She will now progress to the Zone Final competition to be held in March, 2021.

NSW P&C Federation Secondary Scholarship

Congratulations to Year 9 student Michaela McGregor who has been fortunate enough to be awarded a NSW P&C Federation Secondary Scholarship. This is sponsored by the NSW P&C Federation and provides support for up to four students for the final three years of their secondary education. Valued at \$3750, the scholarship can be used by Michaela to purchase educational items that will assist her with her studies.



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Awards

Congratulations to the following students who were all selected to represent the Northern Rivers Zone and/or North Coast teams for various sports.



Zac Williams, Lewis Armstrong, Zacchaeus Brettner Massey, Elyce Richards, Adam Anderson, Brienna Parker, Ezra Frost, Indigo Creighton, Nikayah Hickling and Ella Keep. Special Mention to Felicity Peters who received the 2020 NSW Premier Sporting Challenge Award.



End of Year 10 Dinner



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Casino High School Book Club 2020

The final gathering for the Casino High School Book club was held on Monday 7 December. The Book Club has been running continuously since 2014.

The club is a very small enthusiastic club, where all members have a passion for reading all types of literature.

In 2020 members of the club read the following books:

-  Great Expectations (a classic)
-  The Book Thief (where the protagonist is Death)
-  Little Women (a classic)
-  Boy swallows Universe (crime and retribution in Brisbane)
-  Too Much Lip (recognising the need to belong)
-  Tuesdays with Morrie (supporting those who are dying)
-  Where the Crawdads Sing (living with nature)
-  The Memory Code (communication through song lines and the natural elements)
-  A Man Called Ove (growing old with dignity)
-  Hades (the underbelly of Australian crime)
-  And the final book for the year:
-  Little Fires Everywhere (holiday reading)

Mr Patino, Miss Maslen, Brielle Wenham and Isabella Ennever are the avid readers who meet every month.

Have fun and read a book!!

Veronica Parker - Senior Learning Centre

End of Term 4 2020 Draw

Woolies

Merit

George Richards Year 7
 Michaela McGregor Year 9
 Ty Morgan Year 8
 Skye Cooke Year 8
 Hayley Blasche Year 11

Cortya

Tiarne Noordhuis Year 11
 Dylan Griffiths Year 10
 Callum Evans Year 10
 Ethan Briggs Year 7
 Bryce Freeburn Year 10

Cinema

Merit

Katelyn Northfield Year 7
 Tessa Cooper Year 9
 Talise Wenham Year 8
 Shaun West Year 11
 Zachariah Williams Year 10

Cortya

Sianna McGrath Year 10
 Braith Cawley Year 7
 Ewan Macqueen Year 7
 Robert Simon Year 9
 Brielle Wenham Year 10

Dominos

Merit

Cody Smith Year 9
 Curtis Gill Year 11
 Aisha Powell Year 8
 Joseph Watt Year 7
 Franchesca Smith Year 7

Dominos

Cortya

Cody Smith Year 9
 Izak Eyears Year 11
 Dshanti Birmingham Year 10
 Tallis Avery Year 9
 Charlotte Campbell Year 8

Chicken Mania

Merit

Maggie Maloney Year 10
 Lilly Oosterbeek Year 9
 Dean Sneesby Year 7
 Shaeli Olley Year 8
 Chase Cremen Year 7

Cortya

Pearl Baillie Year 8
 Symarah Mison Year 7
 Bails Quinn Year 9
 Nicki-Lee Judson Year 9
 Mika Parker Year 8

Canteen

Merit

Jenayah Smith Year 7
 Tahj Butler Year 7
 Lily Swordy Year 7
 Amy Randall Year 11
 Graci Patino Year 8

Cortya

Rylee Smith Year 8
 Brianna Parker Year 7
 Fred Neil Year 10
 Braxton Ryan Year 8
 Thomas Marsh Year 8

Cortya & Merit Winners

Cortya

Courtney Gooding Year 7
 Hayden Mison Year 9
 Dshanti Birmingham Year 10
 Tayla Miller Year 10

Merit

Jorja Reeves Year 7
 Montanna Marks Year 9

Congratulations! Each student receives a \$5 Canteen voucher



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National Indigenous Science Education Program - (NISEP NEWS)

The National Indigenous Science Education Program is excited to announce that they have been awarded a significant grant to create and deliver STEM (Science Technology Engineering and Mathematics) projects to their partner schools in 2021. The team from various universities, schools and organisations collaborated on the project. In January of 2020 Ms Froud and Mr Wunsch attended the Science Experience at Macquarie University with six student leaders from Casino High School. At this event they assisted in planning a "Smart Gardens Kit" which will be sent to Casino High School in 2021. The kits will enable students to propagate plants, use sensors to record data, and devise coding to manipulate the kits. We will consult with the NSW Aboriginal Education Consultative Group (AECG) with the aim of involving local Aboriginal people to grow plants for traditional food or medicinal uses or bush regeneration. As the project progresses we will receive more modular kits, including water purification and sustainable energy kits to explore plant pigments in solar cells. Congratulations to NISEP founder, Associate Professor Joanne Jamie who was recently acknowledged by a STEM Superstar Award.

Online NISEP 2020

Online practical lessons for Year 7 Science were delivered via ZOOM by Macquarie University professors, Ian and Joanne Jamie, along with some of their University students. They ran activities and showed videos of demonstrations during each class.

Each Year 7 student received a kit to use during the zoom sessions from NISEP and our student leaders Brielle Wenham, Mikaylah O'Malley-Grayndler, Isaac Roberts Walker, Lincoln Close, Zac Williams and Marcus Love helped to distribute and collect materials for the students. The chemistry kits consisted of glass bottles of 'smells' for our students to identify, shaving foam as a solid, liquids, gases, glue, detergent and food dye for a 'Glue Magic' activity.

7C also participated in a Physics lesson. Their kits included a "Walking Horse" to cut out from paper, a board for the horse to walk down, a tissue paper "ghost" and balloons for a static electricity activity, and a "String Harp" to demonstrate sound and vibrations.

Students comments about their experiments were:

Gigi 7I: "Imagine touching a cloud! Soft, fluffy, white! That's how I felt when I touched the shaving cream. That's why it's my favourite hands on experiment."

Aaliyah 7S: "I enjoyed the glue magic because it was very interesting to see what pattern the food dye would make".

Charlie 7A: "I enjoyed the glue experiment where you put the glue on a plate, then put different coloured drops of food dye in the glue. Then you put a toothpick dipped in detergent in middle of the food dye. It was very interesting to watch the colours spread out. I also got a free sparkly hat".

Sandon 7C: "The activity I enjoyed the most was the paper horse experiment, where we folded paper into a horse shape and put it on a tilted, smooth plastic board, and it walked. I liked it because it was fun, and combined art with physics".

7N Charlize: " I would love to go to university so I can become a doctor."

Mrs Angela Froud - NISEP coordinator.



School and Community Information

Canteen Roster

Week 1 - Term 1 2021

Monday 25.01.2021	HOLIDAYS
Tuesday 26.01.2021	
Wednesday 27.01.2021	Staff Development Days
Thursday 28.01.2021	
Friday 29.01.2021	Mrs R. Fleming

Volunteers required.

**Please contact Mrs Kay Westbury,
Canteen Supervisor on 6662 3077**

SUNSHINE SUGAR 2021 APPRENTICESHIPS

Apprenticeships and Traineeships are available for 2021 at our Harwood, Broadwater and Condong Mills

HARWOOD

- Mechanical Fitter Apprenticeship
- Store Traineeship

BROADWATER

- Boilermaker Apprenticeship
- Electrician (Industrial) Apprenticeship

CONDONG

- Fitter Apprenticeship
- Laboratory Traineeship

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Applications close 24 December 2020



TEAMWORK | INTEGRITY | EXCELLENCE | ACCOUNTABILITY | SAFETY

Casino Sport & Recreation Association

Ph: 0409 400 291



Friday 18th
December
7.00– 10.00pm

*Under 13's parents
MUST stay

Casino
Memorial
Pool

\$3 Entry
\$2 Drinks,
Sausage Sandwiches.

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