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MAITLAND GROSSMANN HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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PRINCIPAL

I reflect fondly upon my first year at Maitland Grossmann High School. I wish to thank all the members of our school community, who welcomed me with open arms and assisted my transition. I have felt very welcome and supported by so many kind and generous staff members, students and families.

As Deputy Principal of Year 7 and Year 11, I congratulate both cohorts on a year of successful transitions. Year 7 and their families should feel proud of an overall positive transition to high school and their high level of involvement in extracurricular programs. Recently, Year 11 successfully navigated their major change into HSC courses, their final 4 terms of study.

As supervisor of our Science, Mathematics, PDHPE and Wellbeing Faculties, I thank and congratulate them for their teamwork and continued commitment towards enhanced learning outcomes and providing innovative learning experiences for our students. An enjoyable highlight was joining our PDHPE team for their annual Ski Retreat to Perisher Blue.

I am pleased to report on the successful achievement of behavioural benchmarks for year 7 throughout the year. Each term, Year 7 set goals related to achieving positive behaviour records and minimal negative behaviours. Year 7 were rewarded each term with a celebratory BBQ and games afternoon to acknowledge their commitment to positive behaviour. The first year of high school culminated in an exciting reward excursion to Wet and Wild. Congratulations Year 7, I look forward to welcoming you back into Year 8 2019.

A new process and policy was introduced for Year 11 into Year 12 students, whereby, each student wishing to make alterations to their study program was interviewed by myself. I thoroughly enjoyed the students' interviews, they were a particularly positive experience, which illuminated so many hard working students with big ambitions.

Part of our ongoing focus on high expectations and academic excellence was the introduction of the Academic Review process for Years 10, 11 & 12. A panel of teachers analysed students who were falling behind with their classwork, homework and assignments and communicated with families in order to develop support programs, which resulted in students successfully completing all course work.

Our commitment pedagogical improvement and excellence continued with our Faculty Review program. This year, myself, executive members and an external teacher reviewed our History Faculty. This positive practice will continue throughout future years. This process allowed us to obtain critical

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information from all school stakeholders, which positively reinforced many History Faculty processes and aided in remodelling others. I thank all staff, students and families who assisted in this review.

I continue to be impressed by our dedicated student welfare team. Meeting twice weekly, this team of dedicated staff, led by our Head Teacher Welfare enact support mechanisms for students and families, as well as designing and deploying student-focused welfare initiatives such as the highly successful "Are You OK Day".

Achievement on the sporting field was ever-present throughout 2018. A huge congratulations goes to all our talented athletes, plus our fantastic PDHPE department who facilitated outstanding sporting carnivals and continually offered wide ranging representative sporting opportunities.

Finally, I thank my Senior Executive colleagues, Dr Di Soltau, Neil Fara and Lois Wakem for your comradery and supportive teamwork throughout a very busy first year at Maitland Grossmann High School.

Joshua Gane
Principal (acting)

REMINDER TO PARENTS

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PHOTOS

Occasionally photographs are taken of individual students or classes at school. Please notify the school in writing if you do not want your student photographed.

MGHS UNIFORM SHOP OPENING TIMES 2018

TUESDAY: 8.00am-12.00pm

THURSDAY: 12.00pm-4.00pm

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Name..... Student.....

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Phone.....

FACEBOOK PAGE



INDUSTRIAL ARTS

STEM ACTIVITIES

Maitland Grossmann High and local primary schools attended a two day camp organised for the delivery of STEM activities for the Galuwa students. The day comprised of Building F1 Jaguar cars and racing them down the F1 track, taking part in coding using the Sphero's, a virtual reality session and talks with industry partners Glencore. On day two students operated drones and learned skills in piloting drones in confined spaces. Thanks to those who made this event possible including, Phillip Cliff from Ashtonfield Primary, Breanna Landwehr from Youth Express (Steam Shack) and Elise Tonnet, Mark Bayada, Roger Allon, Neil Fara and support students from Year 9 STEM F1 in schools program. This was a great success and we hope to host the program again next year.

Mark Bayada



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THE "POWER OF ENGINEERING FORUM"

The "Power of Engineering Forum" was designed just for Year 9 and Year 10 girls to get them interested in a career in Engineering. The girls were treated to talks with high profile female Engineers from many large companies and then participated in small STEM style workshops to test their Engineering Design skills, which challenged them to solve real life problems. Some of these girls also took part in our RDA Hunter excursion to the release of the F35, Joint Strike Fighters at Williamtown Fighter World by Lockheed Martin on December 13th along with students from our Year 9 STEM class. Students learned about Aeronautical Engineering and careers in this field of Engineering.

Mark Bayada



MATHEMATICS

Getting Ready for 2019

After a full year in Mathematics, all students should enjoy a break ready to come back bright and fresh in 2019. A reminder of the equipment students will need in all their Maths classes next year:

- 2 Exercise Books (1 Reference Book and 1 Workbook)
- Pens, Pencils, Ruler, Eraser
- Scientific Calculator (can be purchased at the School Office for \$20, or elsewhere – just make sure it has a “fraction” key on it)

Students have been allocated their 2019 classes, grouped on Mathematical ability. Within the faculty, we do make class changes throughout the year. These generally happen if a student is performing well above or below the class standard. The Maths Faculty make these decisions after testing occurs each term.

Have a safe holiday.

Zoe Cox

Head Teacher Mathematics



CAPA

The Creative and Performing Arts (CAPA) department continues to exemplify the long-held traditions of Maitland Grossmann High School in 2018, with ongoing collaborations with our partner schools, performance and exhibitions showcases, connecting to our community and highlighting student successes.

Following on from the outstanding results in **2017** including Visual Arts – First in State (Full Marks), 3 students receiving ArtExpress Nominations, Music - 3 students attaining Band 6, Drama – Group Nomination for OnStage and the remarkable results in Entertainment Industries, 8 students attaining Band 6.

2018 has seen the first MGHS Music Encore nominations with both Ryan Hemsworth and Simeon Bower nominated for performances at the Sydney Opera House. Ryan was selected to perform in two shows at the Opera House on February 18th, both matinee and evening.



Visual Arts student Belle Leonard continues a tradition of ArtExpress nominations from MGHS, and inclusion in the exhibition, online and exhibited in public galleries in NSW.



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Students have succeeded in Music with 3 students, Ryan, Simeon and Shana Court attaining a band 6, Juliette Taylor also attained a band 6 in Drama and two students in Entertainment Industries, Lauren Watson and Kiarni Telfer attaining a band 6, with Lauren placing Second in Course in the state.

Of course, none of this is possible without the huge contribution and talents of our CAPA staff, who work throughout the year to build skills and provide opportunities for our students to perform and excel. It is not just the remarkable skills of the teachers working with Year 12, but the collaboration and support of all our CAPA teachers who contribute to the broad range of activities and showcases, working to assist students to strive for and succeed.

The MGHS Choir and Concert Band have been the back bone of school cultural events and formal assemblies throughout 2018. The ongoing dedication of the staff, Mrs Alford - Choir and Mr Forbes - Band and students have reflected the qualities of quiet determination and collaboration. It is this focus on and support of the arts that maintains the traditional qualities of MGHS. Their performances indicates the level of commitment, often with little acknowledgment, hours of rehearsals and performances to support the overall culture of the school, which remains unique within our community.

Performances during the year included

- Madd on the 4th of July
- Education Week MGHS and LMG events,
- Prefects and JAECG Induction Assembly
- Year 12 Exhibition and Performance Evening
- Year 12 Graduation Assembly
- Year 6 Transition Day Concert
- Madd Night 2018
- Adopt-A-Resident Concerts
- 2018 Academic Presentation Assembly



But it is not just the participation, but the talent of the students in all areas of the Arts that requires our acknowledgement, beyond our talented musicians, with mural project Up'nUp and three major art exhibitions, drama performances and StarStruck, that highlight the diversity and capacity of students at MGHS.

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Sharing our skills with our partner Primary schools for the second year. The students from Maitland Grossmann High School collaborated with the National Music Academy in a masterclass with tutors in a range of instrument specialisations.



Coordinated by Mr Forbes and working with Mrs Alford, students from Maitland Grossmann High School were joined by Morpeth, East Maitland and Ashtonfield working with mentors to build a wonderful series of performances.

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The diversity of events in CAPA provides an opportunity for the Entertainment Industry students to work front of house and backstage. Mrs Williams has worked tirelessly, not just on performance evening and assemblies, but every time a microphone is required in the hall. This has been an enormous undertaking and we are very grateful for her time and commitment.

We will be farewelling one of our Drama teachers, Ms Holz who joined the faculty in 2016. She has completed an exciting year teaching her first Year 12 Drama class. We would like to thank her for her support and contribution to many Performing Arts events from Musicals and Showcase events, StarStruck and Drama evenings

Practical Subject Resource Contribution.

As we end the year there are many positive aspects to celebrate and acknowledge. However we do need to remind parents that resources used in CAPA are covered by the student's contributions. It is our aim to provide the best resources and equipment available and we need the support of students enrolled in our courses to be able to purchase these resources, either through their subject contribution or application for funding assistance. (NSW DET can assist in meeting these costs – please contact the MGHS Office for further information).

Best wishes from the Capa faculty and we look forward to the opportunities that will come in 2019.

Mr Richard Fletcher – HT CAPA

TAS

Fundraising work in 2018

Congratulations to the Year 10 students in the Food Technology and Child Studies classes who worked to raise funds for several worthwhile causes in 2018.

The first Fundraiser was for the 'Buy a Bale' organisation, raising money to support our drought affected farmers. The Food Technology students and supportive friends in other classes, organised two different fundraisers to be held on the same day. They made and delivered pre-ordered soup to staff in our 'Food For Fuel' Promotion. The students also organised themselves to make and decorate cupcakes at home and then sold them to students. This was a very successful venture and a massive effort by all.



The second fundraiser was conducted by the Child Studies class, again with assistance from supportive friends in other classes. This fundraiser supported two charities, the first being CARE Australia, where the students raised money to improve the lives of children in difficulty overseas. They selected a mixture of products to donate including drought resistant seeds, seeds to support a family, water purifying tablets to prevent sickness, mosquito nets and more. The second charity they donated to was Carrie's Place in Maitland. Although they initially wanted to produce Christmas gift packages for children, they decided to donate the funds to allow the organisation to purchase what was most needed at the time to support these children and their families.



Well done to all students involved who displayed a caring awareness and mature attitude to the misfortunes of those around them and for putting in the time and effort to organise themselves to be part of a solution.



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Year 10 Multimedia

This term, Year 10 Multimedia planned, developed, filmed and edited short films of a minimum duration of 7 minutes. Well done to all those involved.



CAREERS

Junior Careers

Work Experience students in Year 10 made the most of this opportunity in Term 4. With over twenty students participating in this optional program, gaining experience from a diverse range of fields, consisting of construction and building, primary teaching, childcare, eye care, radio and mechanics, to name a few. Congratulations to all students involved in 2018, it has been a successful year with over 80 students capitalizing on this experience of vocational pathways.



Year 10 students participated in a career-focused day called "**Career Quest**". This was organised in partnership with Youth Express and provided a presentation which was both interactive and proactive. This day is designed to assist Year 10 students to develop an understanding of a range of career/transition options. It was a great opportunity for students to gather information from employer representatives, training organisations and employment agencies from around the Hunter.

The **Adopt a Resident Program** commenced in August and concluded in December. This program involved Year 10 students participating in four visits in Term 3 and 4 to Benhorne and Largs Lodge. The final visit consisting of a concert performed by our CAPA students. This community program has been running for over 10 years and is an important part of our culture and our community connections. Students in this program interested in exploring a vocational pathway into aged care, nursing and childcare have enjoyed the opportunity afforded through this program, congratulations to all students involved.



Senior Careers

Well the end is near and there has been no slowing down for our students. So many things to celebrate and be thankful for. December commenced with the finals of **School Based Trainee of the Year** and as you know Lucy Allen was the NSW finalist. Lucy spent the week in Sydney for the Awards but managed a speedy trip home to attend her Year 12 formal. Lucy then made the early morning trek back to Sydney at 4.00am to complete her participation in events. She had a fabulous week learning leadership and mentoring skills as well as forming friendships with other finalists. Ultimately Lucy did not win, but was an exceptional representative for NSW and totally enjoyed the experience. Maitland Grossmann High School would like to take this opportunity to again compliment Lucy on her application and commitment to this award and wish her all the best in her future vocation.



Lucy Allen with Mrs Sellers-Fogarty at the Australia Training Awards Night

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It was also a pleasure to see the recipients of **The Grossmann Awards** on presentation day. These awards are donated by the Maitland Branch of the 'Old Girls' Union who donate a number of awards to students who demonstrate a positive work ethic and commitment to both school and community. The Sydney Branch of the Old Girls Union, which unfortunately will conclude at the end of 2018, also donates an award to a Year 11 student, chosen with the same criteria. These are valuable awards and reflect the values we hold high at Maitland Grossmann High School. It was a pleasure to have Mrs Wendy Allomes present the awards.

Tyler Bartlett, Sienna Edwards and Cydnea Cox with their awards



Celebrations were also underway for our **Nursing School-based Trainees** who proudly graduated with a Cert III in Acute Care. These students worked very hard juggling their studies at school as well as studying for their Certifications, and holding down part time jobs. They are to be commended for their efforts and needless to say Maitland Grossmann High School is very proud. We wish all these graduates the best in their vocational pathways with a number already being offered positions in the health industry. I would also like to take this opportunity to congratulate all of our Year 12 SBATs as they conclude their traineeships.



Muhammad Daryabi, Mrs Sellers-Fogarty (Careers Adviser), Katie Gorton and Olivia Wills with their Certificates (missing is Lucy Allen as she was in Sydney at the Australian Training Awards).

The school year concluded with the **HSC Morning Tea**, where students as a cohort came together one last time to celebrate their achievements with their peers and teachers. This year Maitland Grossmann High School was proud to have Laura Beaumont as Dux of the school and we wish her all the best, and hope she achieves her goal of a career in medicine.



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There were so many HSC students happy to have affirmation of their hard work and we hope they all achieve their goals. For those who are looking for the alternate pathway there are many, and both my door and my email are open for information. Many students will attend TAFE and take advantage of the high calibre of teachers who have hands on industry experience. TAFE has so much to offer from Cert II to Diploma to Bachelor degrees, making them a formidable provider for post school options.



Mr Harris's (Junior Careers Adviser) amazing cake

Maitland Grossmann High School wish all Year 12 students best wishes, be it for that degree, certification, apprenticeship, job or gap year that awaits. For all other leavers of Maitland Grossmann High School we wish you all the best for your future.

To all students, teachers and parents we extend our wishes for the festive season and keep safe.

Regards

Mrs Sellers-Fogarty

Senior Careers Adviser

Brad Harris

Junior Careers Adviser

SPORT

2018 has once again proven to be a highly successful year in school sport. I had the pleasure of presenting the 2018 sport awards at our formal assembly in Week 9 to recognise our achievements. Can I once again congratulate those recipients on their efforts throughout 2018. All age champions for swimming, athletics and cross country received awards, as did the following students:

AWARD WINNERS	
WINNING HOUSE	Watson
SPORTSMAN OF THE YEAR	Jack Davey, Robert Weatherall
SPORTSWOMAN OF THE YEAR	Ashley Sorensen
GROSSMANN TEAM OF THE YEAR	Rowing Team
	Jack Davey, Rebecca Davey, Mitchell Eveleigh, Cameron McConville, Mitchell Scales, Robert Weatherall

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PSC Medal: Joshua Lorenz

Hunter School Sports Association – Sports Award: Sophie Sorensen (Athletics)

Hunter School Sports Association – Hunter Blues: Joshua Magann (Hockey), Belle Leonard (Athletics), Ashley Sorensen (Athletics)

Parliament of NSW – Community Recognition Statement: Rowing Team

Pierre de Courbetin Award: Robert Weatherall

CHS Blues Award: TBC – Robert Weatherall

Congratulations to all!

At this point, I would like to hand my sports organiser jersey over to Mr Blaise Edgtton. Mr Edgtton will be taking on the role in 2019 – and has some great ideas to continue to inspire our student athletes. I want to thank everyone who has supported me in the sports organiser role throughout my time. It has been a real pleasure to work with our wonderful student athletes and their parents / carers – and with that, I have some great memories of personal and team achievements, as well as, increased involvement and enjoyment in all things school sport.

Mr Paul Anderson.

School Sport 2019

Integrated Sport 2019 (School Based Sport)

In 2019 Maitland Grossmann High School will be changing its current school sports model from Tuesday afternoons to integrated sport. This structure will remove sport from its position of period 6 and 7 on Tuesday afternoons. In turn, school will now finish at 3:19pm on Tuesday afternoons.

As of 2019, school sport will be conducted in allocated periods throughout your child's timetable. These periods are additional to their existing allocation of Physical Education. As part of our new sports program, students will rotate between different sports/games each fortnight.

Year 7 and 8 students will be allocated sport taking place within the grounds of Maitland Grossmann High School. These will be allocated on a rotational basis.

External sport will be allocated to years 9 and 10 throughout their sport rotation. All students in Years 9 and 10 will be allocated two 2-week blocks (4 weeks in total) in which they will participate in external sport throughout Semester 1. This will be a mandatory part of school sport throughout 2019. The inclusion of externally provided sport will be reviewed at the conclusion of Semester 1 and parents will be provided with information detailing the Semester 2 structure of sport moving into Term 3.

Students in year 9 and 10 in 2019 are required to pay a fee of \$35 to cover the cost of travel and venue hire. Students are required to pay this fee prior to their allocated rostering of external sports. External sport will commence on the 19th of February 2019 and rotate throughout the semester.

Students will be provided with a range of sporting opportunities in 2019, based on changing units of sport to reflect regional and Australian sporting culture. Please be aware that your child will not be participating in one allocated sport each term, however, be moving from sport to sport in fortnightly blocks.

2019 Carnivals

Maitland Grossmann High School swimming carnival will be held on Tuesday the 5th of February (Tuesday Week 2) at East Maitland swimming pool. The combined Athletics and Cross-Country carnival will be held at Metford Recreational Reserve on Thursday the 9th of May (Term 2, Thursday Week 2). Further information will be provided upon students return in 2019.

Mr B.Edgtton, Sports Organiser (2019)

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- Medical updates (Allergies, medications, injury risks)

Is there something we need to remove from our records such as an old home or mobile phone number or contact person? Some changes such as a new surname will require legal documents to be provided to the school before the change can be made.

We need to keep in touch with you for your child's education, comfort and safety.

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CHANGE OF DETAILS SLIP

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NEW ADDRESS.....P/C.....

MUM

NEW HOME PHONE.....NEW MOBILE NUMBER.....

NEW WORK NUMBER.....

DAD

NEW HOME PHONE.....NEW MOBILE NUMBER.....

NEW WORK NUMBER.....

NEW CARER INFORMATION

CARERS NAME.....

RELATIONSHIP TO STUDENT.....

HOME PHONE NUMBER.....MOBILE PHONE NUMBER.....

NEW EMERGENCY CONTACTS

NAME.....

RELATIONSHIP TO STUDENT.....

HOME PHONE NUMBER.....MOBILE PHONE NUMBER.....

NEW MEDICAL DETAILS

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Wednesday	16th. January	9:00AM - 1:00PM
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Monday	21st. January	9:00AM - 1:00PM
Tuesday	22nd. January	9:00AM - 1:00PM
Wednesday	23rd. January	9:00AM - 1:00PM
Thursday	24th. January	9:00AM - 1:00PM
Monday	28th. January	CLOSED
Tuesday	29th. January	9:00PM - 1:00PM
Wednesday	30th. January	9:00AM - 1:00PM
Thursday	31st. January	9:00AM - 1:00PM

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