After six long years, the Eden Marine High School class of 2014 had their moment in the spotlight on Thursday as the group of 70 students (some almost unrecognisable as well dressed dapper young adults) were joined by 200 parents, staff and guests at the Oaklands Events Centre in Pambula for the year 12 formal, to mark the end of their schooling. Guests enjoyed a three-course meal for dinner, with cakes and cupcakes lovingly constructed and supplied by Sandy Huff for dessert, before live performances from some of the Year 12 boys (including a special rendition of Silverchair’s Tomorrow) and short speeches by Mr Moorehead, Gerry Sheehan and myself rounded out the evening.

Each table was tastefully decorated with native flowers, picked from staff members’ gardens and put together by the staff to enable the year group to donate more of their fundraising profits to CANTEEN and the Snowy Hydro Rescue Helicopter.

All the students were presented with an award as voted by their cohort and the retiring School Captains also gave each of the year 12 teachers a gift to say ‘thanks’.

On behalf of all involved I’d like to thank Wild Rye for their bread, Rocky Hall Wines for their staff gift and Oaklands Events Centre for their professional and impressive venue and service.

The formal comes less than a fortnight after the end of the gruelling HSC exams and students are encouraged to ring us with their ATARs when they get them, because we as a school don’t get that information and we’d love to know how everyone went. They are all also encouraged to not be strangers in future years and to ‘pop in’ for a quick visit when they’re in town.

One Proud Year Advisor, Corrina Collins
Principal’s Report

Congratulations to our newly elected school captains for 2015. These students are Grace Knox and Xui Chen Yan (Captains) and Claire McKenna and Emily Claxton (Vice Captains). All student leaders who nominated for these prestigious positions are to be congratulated for the high quality of their nominations.

A highly successful Year 12 Formal was held at Oaklands on Thursday November 13th. Our students looked absolutely superb as they celebrated the completion of their education at Eden Marine High School. Congratulations to Ms Collins and Ms Sheehan for coordinating this great event.

The school has started the journey in the development of our school plan for 2015-2017. This plan will have a very different philosophy and format driving the planning and implementation process. An extensive process of consultation has been undertaken with the school community to draft our three strategic directions. These directions set the purpose of planning and will strongly underpin our school values, will be data informed and inclusive of all stakeholders in our school community. The language used within the plan will be easily understood so that all those in the school community can recognise and engage with their meaning. The second layer will be the development of the strategic plan for each of these areas identifying the purpose, people, practices, products and processes to bring these strategic directions into the phase of implementation. The third layer of the plan will be the development of milestones to identify the activities and indicators for success and continuous improvement. These milestones will be resourced appropriately and monitored on a regular basis to ensure the intended direction is maintained and the outcomes are being achieved.

Opportunities will occur for parents and community members to engage in the consultation process involving the EMHS School Plan 2015-2017. It is hoped that shortly an electronic survey will be available for completion by the end of the school year. Keep an eye out for a letter of invitation and directions in completing this survey. I welcome opportunities for feedback in relation to what is working well, what we need to do better and where we would like to be in the next three years as a school community.

There are many occasions when parents come to the administration area of the school and we actively encourage parents and carers to make contact with us. The administration area is divided into two discrete sections, one for parents and visitors and the other side for staff and students. It is essential that those visiting the school respect this distinction to support the school in providing a safe environment. It is not appropriate to enter the student/staff part of the school or other buildings and areas unless invited and in the company of an appropriate staff member. There may also be challenging times when a parent requests to see a member of the executive or staff upon entry to the school. Although we try to accommodate these requests, there are times when these interviews cannot occur. To avoid this type of situation, it is advised that phone contact is made first so that an appointment time can be made. This also allows some background relating to the inquiry to be obtained to make the appointment most effective and productive. Although mobile phones are not prohibited at Eden Marine High, there are occasions when students choose to use their phones inappropriately. Examples include texting at inappropriate times, taking photographs without the consent of others and making direct calls to home. It would be appreciated if parents encouraged their children not to text on the ring home when matters of concern arise. The protocol for parent communication is through the school’s phone system allowing the school to investigate concerns and ensuring the well-being of students in challenging situations.

The school prides itself on offering a diverse curriculum to students. A significant part of this diversity is to offer a broad range of elective subjects in Years 9-12. Many of these subjects have a subject contribution to cover the cost of specialised materials and resources. To ensure equity, students are made aware of any subject costs early in the subject selection process as an expectation of undertaking a chosen subject. In the event of financial difficulty, provision can be made to make part payments during the year to pay subject contributions. When these contributions are not paid, other areas of the school budget are not resourced and monies are transferred so that these subjects can continue to offer a broad range of engaging projects and activities to students. It would be appreciated if subject contributions are paid promptly or alternatively contact the school so that a payment plan can be developed.

The school has recently updated signage in many areas of the school. This not only enhances the physical appearance of the school, but also greatly assists in navigation around the site.

Ian Moorehead  
Principal

CAREER MATTERS

Congratulations to year 10, who have now completed all of their requirements for Careers for 2014, ending with the Mock Interviews. I would like to thank the following members of: Merimbula Rotary: John Ferguson, Peter Lavender, Bill De Jong, Roger Budd and Junee Waites OAM and Pambula Rotary: Rex and Lynne Koerbin, Steve Goodchild, Larry Oakley and Robert Mc Combie for giving up their time and providing valuable feedback to our students. Each member nominated the student who they would have given the job to on the day and the student who performed well, but didn’t quite make it and Certificates were presented on Assembly. Anyone can write a resume, but it is how you perform in the interview that will get you the job in the end!

Michelle Bond| Careers Adviser
**Year 10’s Visit to ANU**

We started out early and excited and ended late and glad for the fun day. It took a while, a slide and a broken seat later when we arrived in Canberra. We were greeted by a lovely Australian National University representative. She led us through the campus to a lecture hall where we took our seats and listened to Victoria explain what we would be doing and who we'd be doing it with. It was a very impacting experience to sit in a lecture hall and know that in a few years a lot of us would be there, taking notes for classes of our own with people from the other schools who were all around us.

From here we moved off into separate groups to our selected lectures. I went into the Digital Learning of Social Devices, where Katie spoke to us about her personal experiences in learning different languages and assisting teaching staff using modern digital devices. Following this I went into Biology. Outside the lab, there was an art installation of a large silver ball filled with a massive amount of holes and should you look inside it was to be similar to the Milky Way galaxy. That was amazing to see. Inside the lab though, we performed a chromatography experiment with leaves that was really fun.

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It was one of the best, most informative excursions yet. Thank you ANU, Mr Barrett and Mrs Bond for taking us on such a great excursion. We hope to go on many more in the future.

Written by Courtney Boulais (Year 10)

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**Letter from Daniel after our school visit to the ANU.**

Hi Eden Marine High School,

Today I had the pleasure of promoting my wonderful university, the Australian National University to students of Eden Marine High School, in sharing my experience, interests and knowledge of the campus and university life. I hope the students thoroughly enjoyed the day, as much as I did.

As a former student of Eden Marine High School, it was great to see how well the year 10 students represented my old school and interacted with the lecturers and demonstrators in the labs.

For me, it was a valuable experience to see the students that would have been in their earliest stages of high school life, flourishing as young adults and it was particularly great to catch up with Mr. Barrett and Mrs. Bond, in reminiscing about my time at EMHS and how it has changed.

In retrospect, I would not be the person or be where I am today if it was not for the wonderful teaching of staff at EMHS. Graduating from EMHS in 2011, I have been a trainee at the Eden Fishermen’s Club, then continuing in the hospitality field, I have been a bar supervisor and functions coordinator, as well as studying full time at one of Australia’s best universities. It is my strong view that had I not been a student at EMHS and not received the persistent guidance from teachers, particularly, Beverly Andren, Robyn Scragg, Dave Smith, Keith Barrett, Jim Williams and Belinda Muller, I would not be where I am today, to thank you :)

I have a multitude of experiences and as an ANU ambassador; I know the importance of promoting higher education to schools such as ours. It helped me make my decision and I would like to do the same for current students.

Kind Regards,

Daniel Azzopardi

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Ex-students Hanna Koerbin and Daniel Azzopardi helped show our students around the ANU.
Emily Shines at Parliament House!
Year 11 student Emily Claxton has made her mark nation wide with her song writing skills this year. Emily was selected earlier in the year as one of five songwriters from across Australia to come together in Sydney and compose a song for the ‘Music: Count Us In’ program. The five composers worked with Harry Angus of The Cat Empire, to compose the song. The result was the piece ‘Paint Me A Song’ which was then recorded professionally and sent out to schools across Australia for students to learn and perform.
On the 30th of October, over 2000 schools and 500,000 students performed ‘Paint Me A Song’ simultaneously across the country. Emily Claxton was invited to attend the official event at Parliament House on the day. There she performed another of her original compositions and delivered a speech in front of 1000 people including teachers, students, parents and senators. The event was also streamed live on the web.
Emily was also recognised for her composing when she won a place in the Harmony Day song writing competition earlier in the year. Emily has just started the Year 12 Music 1 course, in which she will complete several major composition works.
Emily Claxton has been a driving force behind the Eden Marine High School Choir this year, and along with Kalia Rogers she has led rehearsals, selected repertoire, and arranged the parts and co-ordinated performances throughout the year. The time and effort, of both Emily and Kalia, in sharing their skills has been of great value to the school.

International Day
International Day will be taking place on Friday 28th November. Students are encouraged to dress in international costumes to celebrate our multicultural society. The day will include a multitude of activities starting from the beginning of period 3 until the end of period 6. Lunch will involve an international menu, (see previous pages), and students are encouraged to purchase from the many different food stalls that will be operating on the day. Don’t forget, the canteen will not be open at lunch time. Various activities, including musical entertainment and displays, hair and nail art and henna tattooing will also be taking place at lunch time. So bring your money and get involved.

The Best Vegie Patch!
Special Education Support Team and students are having great success with the growing of edible vegetables in the new vegie boxes installed at the rear of the Special Education classrooms with support from Tony Shaw (Acting Head Teacher) and financial support from Waves. Three new garden beds have been installed and planted. The filling with mushroom compost was achieved with an amazing effort from Liam Hosford, Shane Moore and Clancy Sinclair who did the heavy work wheelbarrowing the soil in humid conditions. The remainder of the ED and MC2 class staff and students completed the planting and mulching. Mr Steve Mack from the agriculture department voted the garden the best vegie patch in the school.
ART PAYS

Grad Show 2014

Visual Arts students from Eden Marine High School have again been selected to exhibit their work at the highly acclaimed “Grad Show” held each year at the Bega Shire’s Regional gallery. The opening on Tuesday night was well attended and curator Ian Dawson was impressed by the students’ work this year. Dr Helena Bezzini opened the show and stressed the importance of young artists being persistent in expressing their passions in the visual arts. Parents, caregivers and teachers were also given credit for their support by encouraging and mentoring these young artists on their journey. Eden Marine High School was strongly represented with drawings by Hannah Galloway and Destiny O’Rourke, sculpture by Kayla Robbie and Eliza Turner, prints by Kayla Haigh and paintings by Kiani Tinson. The Grad Show includes the best HSC Body of Work from the four high schools in the area and is open until 5th December.

“Anger Management” by Eliza Turner.

Above: ‘Euphoria’ by Destiny O’Rourke

‘Owls out of Water’ by Kayla Haigh.

‘Haute’ - couture/horticulture by Hannah Galloway.

‘Life as a Masquerade’ by Kayla Robbie.

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SCLC Art Challenge

The following students have gained awards in the categories of 2D (painting, drawing and photography), 3D (sculpture), and 4D (Video), in the SCLC Art Challenge held in Merimbula over the weekend of the 18th and 19th of October.

Over 800 visitors to the gallery were extremely impressed with the quality of work from students from kindergarten to year 12 submitted from most schools in the region. Congratulations to these well deserving award winners from Eden Marine High!

Anna Auer - 1st Prize 2D stage 4
Keely Coleman - Highly commended 2D stage 4
Ally Geaghan - Highly commended 2D stage 5
Tahlia Ingram - Highly Commended 2D stage 5
Mackenzie Doyle Highly Commended 2D stage 5
Samantha Turner - Highly Commended 2D stage 5
Josh Adams - Highly Commended 2D stage 5
Gemma Gilbert - 1st Prize 3D stage 4
Amy Hodson - Highly commended 3D stage 4
Annabelle Green - Highly commended 3D stage 5
Erin Schmidt - Highly commended 3D stage 5
Bridie Ahern - Bournda Environmental Education Centre Environmental Prize.
Sol Stone - 1st Prize 2D (photography) stage 6
Eli Furnell - 1st Prize 4D (video) stage 6

Photographers Mackenzie Doyle (year 10) and April Patterson (year 9) have each won awards for entering their photographs in the recent Whale Festival photo competition. Congratulations to these two visual arts students for their submitted photographs on the topic “Eden’s beauty- Past to Present.”

COLOURED STONE ROCK VISIT EMHS

On Monday the 3rd of November, Eden Marine High School was lucky to have an impromptu visit from ARIA awarding winning band, Coloured Stone. The band performed on Saturday night at The Fishermen’s Club as the headliner act of the Eden Whale Festival.

This year, Coloured Stone celebrate their 35th anniversary as a band. In 1984 the band soared up the Australian charts, overtaking Michael Jackson with their song ‘Black Boy’. In 1985, the band was the first Aboriginal band to ever win an ARIA award.

Joining Coloured Stone on guitar was Selwyn Burns, who was an original member of The Warrumpi Band, and wrote the song ‘My Island Home’ which was later made famous by Christine Anu.

Front man Bunna Lawrie, is an elder of the Mirning people, from the Nullabor Plains. On Monday the 3rd of November he spoke with Eden students about his life and heritage. He shared some gentle intimate acoustic songs on the guitar, including a song he wrote for his mother. The band then performed several songs with reggae and rock influences. Students were treated with a special version of the hit ‘Black Boy’ that included a rap from bass player Tjimba Possum-Burns. Tjimba is well known in his own right with his work in hip-hop act, The Yung Warriors.

Our own Liam Hosford-O’Donnell also joined the band on stage and did some free-styling with Tjimba.

The performance and workshop was a memorable experience and the band stayed around for quite a while talking with students, signing autographs and giving drumming, guitar and song writing tips.

Written by Mrs Robyn Martin, Music Teacher.
International Day

Menu

India

Butter Chicken $4 (GF)
Vegout Curry $4 (V, GF)
Garlic Naan $2
Combo (Curry and Naan) $5

Mexico

Bad Boy Burritos $4
Choice of Lime Chilli Chicken
Roast Pumpkin and bean salsa (V)
Choc Chilli Truffles $2

Indonesia

Satay Chicken or Beef w/ rice $4
Tropical Mango Smoothie $3

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Italy
Homemade Pizza slices:
Meat lovers or BBQ chicken $3
Tiramisu $3
Cannoli with white chocolate mousse filling $4

Singapore
Pork and prawn
Singapore noodles $5

USA
Sliders
(Mini Hamburgers) $3

Mini NY Cheesecake $2

# GF: Gluten Free, V: Vegetarian

Canteen will be closed at lunchtime only. Drinks available at the stalls.
END OF YEAR ACTIVITIES

The end of year activities program for 2014 takes place on the 15th, 16th and 17th December (week 11).

This is a compulsory program for all students.

Some activities are school based, while others use the facilities offered in the local community.

Some of the activities have participant costs associated with them.

This activities program aims to develop specific skills, encourage the development of sporting and social etiquette as well as foster more positive relationships between pupils and staff.

Activities offered this year include:

Art attack, community service, beach walk & movies, Ben Boyd bush walk, fly-fishing, discover scuba diving, Mandeni, local fishing, christmas cooking, SRC workshop, paint the library, music camp, mountain bike program, surfing school and comp, maintenance workshops, cow painting, textile art, (X Box, PS2, Wii).

Any students who do not choose an activity will be expected to attend school where they will be given work of an educational nature.

Thank you to all the staff who have volunteered to organise an activity. It is always a fun and rewarding experience for all involved.

Should you have any questions regarding the activities program, please contact Mr Morgan at school on 64 96 0000.

DATES TO REMEMBER

NOVEMBER
Monday 24 November
• SRC Election year meetings
Wednesday 26 November
• Year 8 assembly
Friday 28 November
• International day

DECEMBER
Monday 1 December
• SLR Camp - Mimosa Rocks
Wednesday 3 December
• Orientation day year 6-7

Monday 8 December
• Girls learn to surf, Mallacoota
Tuesday 9 December
• Presentation Night
Wednesday 10 December
• Eden Primary Presentation Day
Friday 12 December
• Indigenous students transition day
Monday 15/Tuesday 16/
Wednesday 17 December
• End of year activities

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