Year 8 snow excursion
On Monday and Tuesday of week 4, Year 8 students, Mr Cookson, Mrs Smith and Mr Keath attended the annual “Snow Excursion”. On the way we stopped at the chilly town of Nimmitabel where Lake William had actually frozen over. Only one of us managed to fall in, but we won’t mention anyone by name.
Next it was on to Cooma to pick up our snow gear and then on to Adaminaby to discuss “Communities”. After the all important photo in front of the Big Trout, we went to our amazing accommodation at “Reynella” where Roslyn and John Rudd took fantastic care of all of us. The afternoon gave us an opportunity to explore the property in the freezing cold, followed by a discussion about climate change in the (too) cosy dining room.
The next morning, after a 5:30am start, (which no one was particularly happy about), we headed to Selwyn snowfields for snowboard and skiing lessons. Some of us were naturals and some of us were not, but a great time was had by all. The conditions could not have been better; great snow and clear blue skies. No injuries thankfully, but an uncomfortable trip home for some of us suffering from time spent on bruised behinds on the slopes!
Congratulations to all the students for their great behaviour and enthusiasm, especially to those kids, (and Mr Keath), who managed to stay on the slopes the whole day and come away with a smile. Well done!

DATEs TO REMEMBER
Monday 18 August
• Yr 12 English Studies excursion to Canberra
• Yr 7 & 8 Technology rotations
• Year 11 construction workplace - all week

Wednesday 20 August
• Bake-A-Book competition
• SCHOOL DANCE - see back page for more information

Thursday 21 August
• Year 11 flexi day
• HSC DRAMA & MUSIC NIGHT - see back page for more information
• Vaccinations
• P&C Meeting 6pm

Monday 25 August
• Year 8 Bournda writing workshop

Tuesday 26 August
• Year 12 flexi day
• RSA & RCG Training - 4 days

Thursday 4 September
• Year 11 flexi day

Friday 29 August
• Zone surfing

Thursday 11 September
• Year 12 assembly rehearsal

Friday 19 September
• Year 12 assembly
2014 Subaru - ACT Southern NSW Interschools Snowsports Championships

Snowboarders and skiers turned up at Perisher for the ACT Southern NSW Interschools Championships during week 3. They were met by high winds, poor visibility and wet weather. Our school team included Jeshua Neves-Wood (Division 1), Harrison Peters (Division 2), and Alex High (Division 3) as competitors, and Mr High acting as team manager. Jeshua competed first in the Division 1 Snowboard Cross event. He was met with high winds and cold, soaking rain. This made conditions very tricky but Jesh was up to the task, achieving a creditable time of 38.4 seconds for his best run of the day. Sadly his team mates (skiers) were unable to see all the action and excitement of this premier snowboarding event.

The next day saw the rain replaced with gale force winds. This meant that the track was faster than Wednesday and visibility was significantly better. Alex competed first in the Ski Cross event and posted a personal best time of 38 seconds, seeing him finish in the middle of the field of 57 competitors. Next came our up and coming extreme skier Harrison. With his nerves well under control he also posted a personal best result of 30.79 seconds. Harrison was heard to say that if the race was held in the Licheart rail park, he would have been unbeatable.

Friday saw Alex competing for the first time in the downhill Alpine event. This is where two skiers race each other and the clock, down a course, moving between flags as they race. Alex was racing beside senior div1 boys and considering the heavy snow and now blizzard conditions, performed admirably. He raced twice, averaging 38 seconds and finishing 26th in a field of 59. All in all, it was a great few days of racing. Our boys were able to see some of our up and coming Olympians and experience the thrill of competitive skiing and boarding. They also made some new friends and met up with some old ones, as parents, managers and families stood watching, holding jackets and marshalling students. As team manager I would also like to thank Mr Dave Prowse for his time and efforts with the organisation of the entries and communications involved with this event.

Written by Mr High

Science Competition 2014

Local students have been commended for their academic performance in the International Competitions and assessments for Schools (ICAS) this year. Students from Eden Marine High School achieved outstanding results when they participated in ICAS this year and were awarded Certificates of Merit, Credit Distinction and High Distinction. ICAS competitions are developed for students in Years 2 to 12 and sat annually. All students may participate. Each Science Competition test assesses students’ academic ability in aspects of Science.

Congratulations especially to Joel Bond, Taj Wedutenko, Lachlan Considine, Xiu Chen Han and Dan Carton. Alex High, Luke Albanese, Connor Kellaalea, Sarah Lingard-Sinclair and Zoe Pentin also had pleasing results. Thank you for your efforts!

Mr Williams and Mr Prowse

LIBRARY CORNER

New Books available for loan from the Library:
‘Allegiant’ - book 3 of the Divergent series
‘Born to Fly : Ryan Campbell’ - teenage local adventurer who flew solo around the world
‘Silver Shadows’- book 5 of the Bloodlines series
‘Snakehead’ and ‘Crocodile Tears’ books 7 & 8 of Alex Rider series
‘Lonely Planet: the Food Book’ - a journey through the great cuisines of the world
‘Disney Kids Party Cakes’ - inspirational designs for our Bake-a-Book competition
‘A Game of Thrones’ - graphic novel number 3.

As we get closer to celebrating Bookweek 2014, our theme of ‘Connect to Reading’ is being promoted in the Library. We have copies of the following shortlisted books in our school Library: Song For A Scarlet Runner, The Sky So Heavy, The First Third, Fairytales For Wilde Girls, Welcome To My Country, Rules Of Summer and Parachute.

Mrs Taylor, Teacher/Librarian
NSW Footy Report
On Thursday the 17th of July, I travelled to Sydney to represent NSW in the under 16 girls’ AFL.
On Saturday we entered the SCG with 700 other competitors from the ACT, Northern Territory, Queensland, South Australia, Tasmania, Victoria, Western Australia and our NSW 12s and NSW 15s boys.
We played 5 games over the week, winning two and losing three. A highlight for the week was Wednesday’s game: a hard fought victory during which I was awarded “Best on Ground”.
Saturday, the final day of the National Championships, was a tight game against Queensland, during which I suffered a broken nose in a clash with an opponent.
At the closing ceremony we were presented with third position in the National School Sport AFL Championships.
It was the second year that NSW had brought a girls’ team to the championships and there are hopes to compete in future years.
Written by Dakota Hooper, Year 10

CAREER MATTERS
Thank you to all of the parents and students who attended the UAC/Centrelink Information Night on 4 August. The feedback from the night has been excellent and a lot of parent and student enquiries were successfully answered.
A reminder to Year 12 students who are intending to go to University, that the UAC website is now open for your applications and closes on 30 September. Don’t forget to look at scholarships that are also available on the respective University sites.
Michelle Bond - Careers Adviser

Semester 1 Outstanding Academic Achievers 2014
The following students did not appear in the previous publication of the school newsletter.
Pictured above Outstanding Academic Achievers Year 10 students Amber McGarrity and Walter Samuels-Connell.

CHS State Cross Country
It was a freezing cold morning at the Eastern Creek raceway in Sydney. This was my first time going to State Cross Country in all of my schooling years. I had a great time and all of the officials and South Coast entry people and competitors were lovely and very helpful. In my age group, which was the 14 year girls, there were around 100 competitors. Overall, I came 67th in my race. I ran in the 4000 m course which was very challenging to me. One of the South Coast girls in my event came third and is now going off to the National Cross Country Championship.
Written by Talia Westley, Year 8

Year 7 student Taj Wedutenko.

The talented Dakota Hooper pictured without her crutches!
On the 29th and 30th of July, Eden High school once again hosted the SCLC (Sapphire Coast Learning Community) Performing Arts Festival. The festival included over 300 performers from schools across the area. The facilities that we have here at Eden Marine High School are impressive and are a big reason why this festival is hosted by our school each year. The hall can hold a lot of people and the stage, curtains and recently upgraded state-of-the-art lighting system make it an impressive performance venue.

Eden Marine High School students presented four items over the two evening performances. These reflected a high level of creativity, performance skills and musicianship.

The Year 12 Music Class performed a song by ‘The Arctic Monkeys’. John Agnez delivered compelling vocals and guitar, backed by an energetic and supportive band. The camaraderie that has developed among the class over the last 18 months of their senior music studies shone through in the performance. The students clearly enjoyed themselves and collectively they presented an engaging performance.

For the second year running, Drama was a part of the program, with a performance by three students from Ms Corrina Collins’ Year 11 Drama class. The students presented an original group piece that tackled issues faced by young people today. The students did a great job and it was exciting to see a broader range of art forms represented at the festival. The year 11 Music class presented an original song by Emily Claxton. Emily has received much recognition for her song writing skills this year. She won a place in the state-wide Harmony Day song writing competition and also was invited to work with Harry James Angus of ‘The Cat Empire’ to compose a song to be used in the National Music: Count Us In Program.

Eden High’s vocal group performed a challenging three part harmony piece, featuring Mia Soroka on lead vocals and Shania Aldridge on drums. The result was a credit to the talent and hard work of all the students involved.

Many EMHS students were also involved in the combined schools band and choir pieces. These pieces were rehearsed at the SCLC Music Camp earlier in the year. It was great to see those students building friendships and musical connections across schools and year levels and coming together to present a professional performance.

Each year, countless hours of work and coordination go into making this festival happen. As the host school, staff at Eden Marine High in particular, play an important role. A huge thank you to all staff who contributed to making it a success. Music teacher Sam Martin brings a high level of professionalism and experience to the festival, having worked internationally in production and event management.
Eden students compete at pony club
The Pambula Pony Club Gymkhana was held on Sunday, 20th July and students from Eden Marine High School represented their pony clubs in a variety of equestrian events. The events were Jumping, Riding Classes and Sporting.
Alex Smith, Natasha Swires, Chelsie Stevenson and Sarah Hodkinson all performed well, winning many of their classes and placing in many more.

Cheslie Stevenson and Natasha Swires.

Above and below Alex Smith jumping with her majestic horse Boss.

Positive Behaviour For Success (PBS)
Congratulations to our Orange Award recipients who have received 10 greenies for effort and application.

- Alex High
- Anna Auer
- Ben Becker
- Cameron Turner
- Darcie Matthews
- Gloria Gallard
- Jack O’Connell
- Jacob Dowling
- Jayden Mitchell
- Joel Bond
- Kaitlin Steiner
- Keith Pickalla-Douglas
- Kyle Sorrell
- Lauren Terry
- Melia Blanch
- Mitchell Dowling
- Nickeeli Sawers
- Randall Ewin
- Reilly Smith
- Rory Warne
- Sarah Lingard-Sinclair
- Sophie Webster
- Talia Westley
- Tiger Ghattas

Year 7 student Mackenzie Upton (pictured above) was the lucky winner of Semester 1 PBS draw where she won an iPad.
Congratulations to our PBS winners for this week: Kiarna Mitchell, Connor Barry, Taleah Chalker, Zoe Buchannon, Brys Palat and Bradley Chalker. Prizes vary from movie passes to Waves Cafe and canteen vouchers.
This week marks the last PBS lesson on ‘Apathy’. The next lessons will focus on bringing PBS into the classroom. Keep up the great work students!

WANTED
If anyone has a recliner chair they wish to dispose of, preferably vinyl or leather (one that can be wiped over), the school clinic would be very happy to take it off your hands. Please contact either Pam Inwood or Pam Cocks on 64960000 if you can help.
P&C NEWS
Come and join Eden Marine High School’s P&C.
Date: Thursday, 21st August
Time: 6:00pm
Venue: EMHS, Library

All are welcome :)  

PBS INFORMATION EVENING
The Positive Behaviour For Success Team will be hosting an information evening on:
Thursday, 4th September from 6-7pm, EMHS Library.
This information session has been requested by the P&C committee.

All students, parents and community members are invited to gain further insight into the PBS program and proposed VIVO Miles reward system.

TO recognise Book Week and to support Year 12’s fundraising. EMHS library is running a Bake-A-Book competition. All you need to do is choose a book from your high school or public library or base your idea on a character from your favourite story and make a cake based on that book! The cakes must be dropped off at Eden Marine High School on Wednesday, 20th August by 9:00am.

Winners will be determined and prizes of Sanity vouchers and book shop vouchers will be awarded on the day.

Slices of cake will be available to purchase at recess on the day. So get baking!

“HORROR”
EDEN MARINE HIGH SCHOOL DANCE 2014
COME ONE COME ALL TO THE HALL OF HORRORS (IF YOU DARE!!!)
WHEN: WEDNESDAY 20 AUGUST
TIME: 6.30PM TO 9.30PM
TICKETS: $8.00

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