Congratulations to our tennis champions Macy and Gabby Parker in year 9. Both girls finished in the top 8 in the recent under 15s Champion of Champions Tennis Competition. While only the top 3 places go through to represent NSW in the State Titles, Gabby was lucky enough to receive a Wild Card entry, which means she will accompany the NSW team in the upcoming competition. Well done to both girls on a fantastic effort!

Macy (pictured left) finished in the 7th position, while Gabby, (pictured right), finished in 5th position.
Principal’s Report
Yr 12 Trial HSC examinations have now been completed and our senior students are now preparing for their HSC exams. A number of students have already started some of their HSC examinations in a number of subjects whilst others will be undertaking practical examinations in the coming weeks. On behalf of the school community I wish all our senior students well as they progress towards the HSC.

Our Yr6-7 transition program continues to strengthen and build momentum. Eden High teachers in Science, Drama and Technology are visiting our partner schools delivering lessons to engage students and give them a sense of what high school classes may be like. Ms Sheehan and Ms Wall have developed a comprehensive transition program to ensure the transition to high school is as smooth as possible. Professional learning events for primary staff in Maths and Science will also occur to support the curriculum transition for students and strengthen inter-school relationships. I have been out and about in the partner schools, chatting to Year 5 and 6 students, raising their awareness of high school life and answering lots and lots of questions about Eden Marine High School. Partner school students will have a short visit to our school later in the term to allow them to become more familiar with our surroundings. A formal Orientation Day for all students will occur later in the year.

The school is conducting a number of policy reviews and we invite parent and community consultation in the review of our practices and procedures in the school. Policies currently under review include Behaviour, Uniform and Excursions.

An “I Give a Gonski” forum is to be held at the Sapphire Club in Merimbula on Thursday August 27th from 5-7pm. This forum will create an opportunity for school staff and community members to develop a “Gonski Story” to create greater awareness and understanding of the critical role this funding is having in supporting improved student learning outcomes now and into the future.

I actively encourage you to attend.

Ian Moorehead
Principal

SRC News
Friday 28th August is “Wear it Purple” Day. Wear something purple to support young people who identify as sexuality and/or gender diverse (i.e. rainbow).

SCHOOL DANCE 2015:
The school dance is being planned for week 8, Wednesday 2 September. The theme is ‘Villains & Heroes’. I have included in the newsletter the permission note which parents will need to read and sign. There are two mains issues which need to be addressed.

Firstly, we do need parents to assist teachers in supervising the dance. If we do not have parent support then the dance will not run. You can call me at school if you have any questions and to advise if you are able to supervise.

Secondly, I need to clarify parents must sign in the students they bring to the dance and collect and sign out the same students at the end of the dance. Students will not be admitted if they are dropped off at the gate. You must accompany the students to the hall. This includes all senior students irrespective of age. We need to maintain strict supervision in order to provide a safe environment for all. I am looking forward to a memorable night and a fun farewell to our Year 12 students. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at school.

Thankyou,
Ms Julie Lange
SRC Coordinator.
Snake Tails
Bob Withey has over 25 years experience in breeding and presenting information about reptiles to schools across Australia. He has owned and worked with reptiles for over 50 years. Students joined Miss Sheehan in a hands on and educational experience with some of Bob’s favourite pets:-
Fierce snake - worlds most deadliest snake, eastern brown snake, redbellie snake and death adder (observed through glass!)
Bob also covered a lot of information about reptiles, from classification of all the different types to debunking the many myths that are out there.
Pictured below: l-r Alex Rogers hands on with a four year old Olive python, Mitchell Dowling and a very friendly shingleback, Claire Turner with a blue tongue)

Oyster Report
On Friday the 7th of August Year 10 Marine Studies travelled to Pambula Lake to Brett Weingarth’s oyster farm. Brett took us out on the oyster punt ‘Captain Sponge’ where our class saw oyster farming first hand. Our first stop was the growing site where the oysters do their major growing in the middle of the lake in floating bags. From there we moved to the catching site where ‘spat’ were trapped on plastic slats which are a bit like venetian blinds. On the way we saw extensive aboriginal middens, sea eagle, wedge tailed eagle nests and some more oysters racks and tumblers.
Of course there was some oyster tasting and Claudia Mitchell enjoyed them the most. Brett also talked about licensing, marketing and other issues in the oyster industry. Prior to our excursion our class studied the anatomy of an oyster and its life cycle. Thanks to Jillian from the Marine Discovery Centre and Brett Weingarth from Pambula Lake Oysters.

Above right: all aboard Captain Sponge (Brett Weingarth) loads his passengers; right: Claudia Mitchell gets a fresh sample, straight from the lake
Year 8 Snow Excursion
On the 13th and 14th of August, a group of year 8 students went to Mount Selwyn. After a couple of hours on the bus, we hopped off to hire our snow gear and have some lunch. We stopped at Adaminaby to answer some questions on the old township’s geography, then it was off to Reynella Station which is where we stayed for the night. Before dinner, we finished off our Geography task. We woke up at the crack of dawn to have breakfast, then we drove to Mount Selwyn. When we got to the ski fields, we split ourselves into skiers and snowboarders and got all of our gear on. We spent 6 hours at the ski fields and had 2 hour and a half lessons. We thank Mr Barros for entertaining us and expanding our vocabulary with some choice words while on the ski fields. Thanks to Mr Bergesen, Mr Barros and Mrs Kercher, for organising the trip for us, we wouldn’t have had the best time up at Mount Selwyn if not for them.
Career Matters
Moruya Careers Day
On the 28th of July, around 30 year 10 students caught a bus to Moruya to attend the Moruya Careers Day. Along with students from other local schools we gathered at the Moruya sports ground hall. We were welcomed by a Careers Adviser from Moruya High School and were given a small card that had tasks for us to complete; prizes were up for grabs. Inside the hall were many stalls of different career pathways such as TAFE and University. As we walked around in groups and visited the stalls, students collected information and booklets. The hospitality stall was great because we got hands on and piped icing onto mini cupcakes. When we were done we completed a survey and handed in our cards. With much to consider we sat outside and had lunch. Not long after we got together for a group photo before returning to the bus for our trip home. The day was very informative and provided students with knowledge of various career options. One week later Mrs Bond received mail from Moruya; one of our students, Lachlan Terry, had won a Nokia phone.

ARE YOU COMPLETING YOUR HSC IN 2016?
APPLICATIONS FOR IN2UNI’S YEAR 12 PROGRAMS ARE NOW OPEN!
The University of Wollongong is again offering the Year 12 Summer Master Class Program – an intensive three week course held over the summer holidays (5 January – 20 January 2016) for students who are on track to get into their desired course at university. This course is designed to provide you with an opportunity to get a head start in your HSC, and experience university life on campus by participating in lectures, tutorials and labs. More information, including the online application form, is available at: http://bit.ly/in2uniSMC

below left: the whole gang from the Moruya Careers Market; below: Katie Scragg has a turn at icing cupcakes

Police Liaison Officer Visit
Rebecca Lanyon from the Police Liaison Team was invited to the school to help assist in the PD/H/PE program regarding technology and the law issues such as sexting, sending inappropriate photos, computers and health (reducing screen time), Snapchat and filming on phones. Rebecca commented on our students’ respectful nature and their intelligent and thoughtful questions. Another fantastic learning experience for our students for years 9 and 10 in PD/H/PE.
Free Legal Advice Clinics for Men & Women in EDEN

Eden Access Centre is supporting Shoalcoast Community Legal Centre to provide free legal advice clinics for men & women in Eden. We want to encourage people to utilise this opportunity in Eden.

Shoalcoast Community Legal Centre, a not-for-profit, community managed free legal service. The program is available to men and women in the Bega Valley Shire and can offer advice in most non-commercial areas of law. The clinics run on a monthly basis and we are encouraging people in Eden to utilise this service for both face to face and Skype appointment. The South East Outreach program which is promoting Shoalcoast services has commenced to encourage more community members to access the service, and Skype appointments are also available.

New Community Development Worker promoting these services is Gabrielle Powell who is based at the Women’s Resource Centre Bega. The service will greatly benefit all people in need of legal assistance to access free advice. “You can meet with a solicitor over the phone, by Skye, or face to face” she said. “The Skype appointments are offered at Eden Access Centre office so people don’t need any computer equipment or IT skills, it’s all set up and I will be there to help you connect and so on. It’s a great service so we want to make sure that anyone who is in need of it can access it.”

The project aims to:
• Assist community service agencies and individual women to make contact and appointments with Shoalcoast
• Attend venues to assist with setting up and supporting legal advice appointments via Skype or other online technology
• Promote Shoalcoast’s free legal advice sessions being provided to women in the community monthly
• Provide feedback to Shoalcoast about their service delivery model in Bega Valley, future partnerships and identified legal need gaps, etc.

Need an appointment?
1. CONTACT SHOALCOAST Tuesday and Thursday – telephone legal advice, 10am to 12noon (phone in), 1800 229 529 FREE

2. FACE TO FACE appointments monthly 3RD WEDNESDAY EDEN & MERIMBULA 3RD THURSDAY BEGA

3. SKYPE appointments - call 1800 229 529 FREE to make an appointment

You can contact Gabrielle at WRC on 64921367 or face to face appointments or phone 1800 229 529 FREE at other times.

Earn and Learn in Earnest

Ms Mamone’s roll call class has filled in 16 sheets of stickers with Woolies Earn and Learn initiative. Please keep those stickers coming! Together we can defeat Ms Mamone!!!!

Gemma Oliver and Amy Parsons put their completed sticker sheets in the box at the office. Come on people! We can defeat them!
Dear Parent/Carer

The SRC will be holding a school dance on Wednesday the 20th August between 6.30pm and 9.30pm. The theme is ‘Villains and Heroes’. The cost is $8 per ticket which includes the DJ, laser lights, smoke machine and a photo booth.

There will be no buses and a parent/guardian will be required to escort students to the hall, and from the hall at the end of the dance. In the event of any misdemeanour the parent/guardian will be contacted immediately and will need to be available to collect the student. We appreciate your cooperation in this matter to help ensure our school dances are a great night for all.

Tickets must be purchased before the event – there will be no ticket sales on the night.

There will be water and snacks on sale in the hall during the evening. No food or drink is to be brought into the hall, and all bags are to be left in the library.

Students who are on monitoring will not be allowed to attend.

Two parents from each year group are requested to assist with supervision. Please indicate below if you are able to help. You will be contacted by the school to confirm your required presence.

Please complete the attached form and return with payment to the SRC to purchase a ticket.

Mr Ian Moorehead  Mrs Julie Lange
Principal  SRC teacher

I give permission for my child______________________________, Year___________to attend the school dance.
I will arrange drop off and pick up at the correct times, will escort my child to and from the hall and, if for any reason my child needs to be removed from the dance, will be available to be contacted to collect my child.

Parent/guardian signature_____________________________________

Please circle:
I am able / unable to assist with supervision. If able please provide name and contact number below

Name:_________________________________________ Phone no.______________________

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Leesa Wungluck – Relieving Deputy Principal
Ingredients:
Any book you enjoy reading whether it’s in the school library, the public library or from home.

Method
2. Bake a cake.
3. Decorate your cake so it represents the book or a character from the book.
4. Complete the entry form below.
5. Bring your cake to EMHS library to submit for judging on Wednesday 26th of August, by 9am.
6. Get all your friends and teachers to bake a cake too!

Bake a Book entries are due Wednesday 26th of August at 9am.

The Bake a Book competition is open to all students, parents and teachers of EMHS. Cakes will be judged in Year Group categories and one for Parents and Teachers. The winner from each group will be awarded a $30 voucher from Sanity or the Merimbula newsagency.

Bake a Book Entry Form

Name: _______________________________ Year ____ Roll call: _____
Book Title: ____________________________________________
Author: _______________________________________________
Do you know how to tell your school’s Gonski story?

Principals, teachers and parents are invited to attend a Gonski training event.

Please join us for an afternoon of networking, skill development and sharing of our Gonski stories. Receive a campaign update. Learn how to tell your Gonski story. Hear from other public schools in your area.

**GUEST SPEAKER:** Joan Lemaire, Senior Vice President, NSWTF

**EDEN MONARO FEDERAL ELECTORATE**

**Thursday 27th August**

5pm to 7pm

Sapphire Club
(The Tasman Room)
119 Main St Merimbula

**RSVP by Monday and 24th August**

Please email kbowman@tsc.aeufederal.org.au with your school name and the names of those attending. Kelly Bowman can be contacted on 0427 048 402 if you have any questions.