

Terrigal High School NEWSLETTER

Featured is Land Art by Lauchie R of Year 7

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Principals Report

Term 3 Thank you

This Term has tested our resilience, ability to think laterally and learn on the run. I would like to send out a huge congratulations to our school community for your engagement with the school and learning whilst juggling the many challenges that change daily. As parents you are in the tricky situation of balancing family life, work and encouraging your children to engage with their schoolwork. Thank you.

I would also like to send out a huge thank you to all the THS staff who are working above and beyond to ensure students are able to access their learning in a variety of ways. Like many of you they are juggling their responsibilities as teachers and parents as well as managing their own mental health and watching over our students.

To ensure everyone can face the long haul of Term 4 I ask every student to put down their schoolwork and take a break. This advice is also for Year 12. We can only function at full capacity if we have regular breaks to recover and take care of our mental health. The holidays are a time to be COVID safe and re-energise.

Farewell

This week we farewell 2 wonderful educators who have had a positive impact on Terrigal High School: Shanie Singleton and Nicolle Paul.

Ms Singleton was contracted for two Terms to replace Jenny Bennett as Deputy Principal. She is an established Deputy Principal with over 9 years experience and we were very fortunate to have her at Terrigal High School. Ms Singleton has not only brought experience, she has formed lasting relationships with the whole community in a very short period of time and motivated students to be the best they can be, supported staff and student wellbeing and influenced policy development for the school. As I say to our students, once you are part of the Terrigal family, you are always a member of the family. We wish Ms Singleton the best as she returns to her substantive position at Gorokan High School.

Ms Paul has been a Head Teacher at Terrigal High School for over 5 years and leaves at the end of Term to take on the substantive role of Deputy Principal at Lake Munmorah High School. Ms Paul started as Head Teacher Mathematics in 2015 and made a significant difference with the teaching of mathematics ensuring students were exposed to a range of activities and improving numeracy skills across the school.

As the leader of the Aboriginal Education Team, Ms Paul has ensured equity and connected students with their culture to enhance learning. Her vision for a safe space where Aboriginal students and families could meet with the school saw

the creation of the Aboriginal room and yarning circle. This year Ms Paul has put her data skills to good use in her role as Head Teacher School Improvement, monitoring the implementation of our school plan. We wish Ms Paul all the best for her career.

Term 4

The Education roadmap has Terrigal High School students and staff continuing with online learning from home at the beginning of Term 4. At this stage we do not know if we will return to school before the state-wide back to school date, as this is dependent on the number of COVID cases circling with in the community and COVID sewage detection rates.

Should the Central Coast be taken out of lockdown we will return immediately with Level 3 restrictions in place.

Level 3

COVID-safe; face-to-face learning on site; restrictions on activities and non-essential visitors (Including parents).

If we are not back before the designated return to school date of 25th October we will have a graduated return at Level 3+.

Level 3+

COVID-safe; face-to-face learning allowed for certain cohorts if vaccination rates achieved; restrictions on activities and non-essential visitors (Including parents).

Phased return to school in Level 3+

- 25 October Year 12 return
- 1 November Year 11 return (Year 12 on stu-vac)
- 8 November Years 7 to 10 return

Further information on the COVID-safe restrictions and procedures will be sent to families the week before students return.

Have a wonderful break from school.

Mrs Turik
Principal

Thoughtful Thursday

At THS Thursday September 2nd was declared as 'Thoughtful Thursday'. It was a day to acknowledge the hard work undertaken around the complexity of on-line learning and to provide students with the opportunity to step away from their screens and engage with something a little different for the day.

Wow! What a great day it was with so many students and staff getting involved. Whether it was baking a cake, creating Kanji Art or a plate of tasty art!

Each Faculty set up a fun activity with prizes on offer for the best creations. The following students will all be receiving their prize very soon.

Maths: Collage of patterns in the Real World

Bronte H, Cameron A, Kylie B

English: Found object haiku

Charlotte B, Jai M, Lily P

HISE: Lava cakes

Nia D, Lewis W, Scarlett W

PDHPE: Recreate a famous sporting photo

Louis B, Rhett J, Rory Z

Science: Natural landscapes photography

Leila C, Lachlan B, Lilyka I

CAPA: Creating a video or photos of your land art

Bronte H

Support Unit: Shadow art

Tate M

TAS: Art on a plate

Ken G, Scarlett W, Ava V

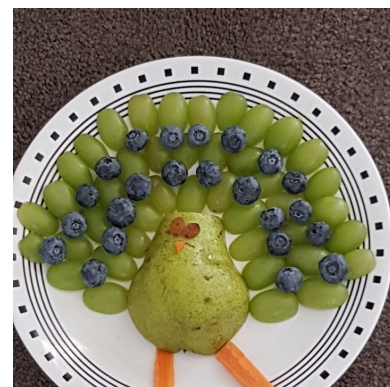
Languages: Kanji Art

Bronte H, Josiah P, Christopher H

Honourable TAS mention - didn't meet the brief, TAS will provide a separate prize for Jimi N's hot smoked salmon preparation!

In addition to all these winners, over 150 students entered The Wellbeing Quiz and the winner was Daisy P from Year 7.

Congratulations to all the students who were awarded a prize.



Visit the [THS Wellbeing Hub](#) for more Thoughtful Thursday fun, including what the teachers got up to!

Mr Yates
Head Teacher Wellbeing

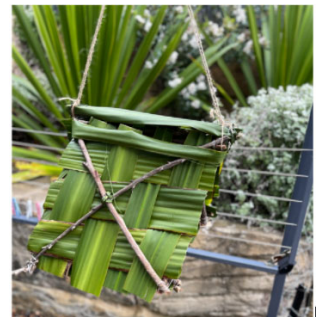
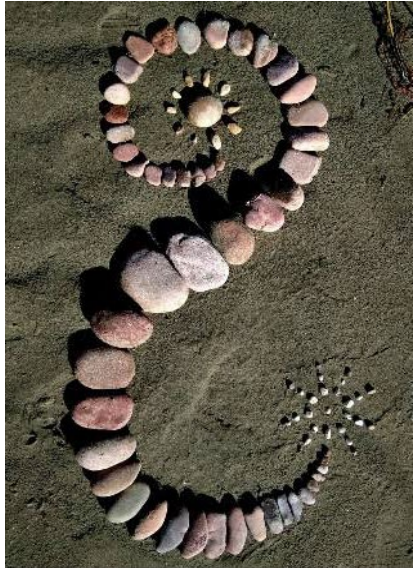


Year 7 Visual Arts Land Art



Year 7 students were asked to make an outdoor sculpture from materials that they collected from the landscape. First, they read an article about a Central Coast artist Peter Rush who makes imaginative animals from natural materials (*pictured above*). The students then went out into the landscape to make their own work. People who were visiting these areas would enjoy coming across works that incorporated elements of the landscape in an inventive way.

The students said they enjoyed getting outside to create art that would make people happy. Here are some examples of their fantastic work.



Mrs Green
Head Teacher CAPA

Around TAS

Without access to our workshops, what has been happening in junior TAS at Terrigal?

Lots!

Here is a sample of the variety of skills our Year 7, 8, 9 and 10 students have been perfecting at home:

Year 7s are cooking up a storm for their "Making People Happy" projects. They are in the kitchen making everything from tasty treats to main meals. Zahra G sewed this gorgeous quilt for her project.



Year 8s have been exploring the natural environment, their craft cupboards, the recycling bin or their garages in their search for materials to construct their "Windchimes".

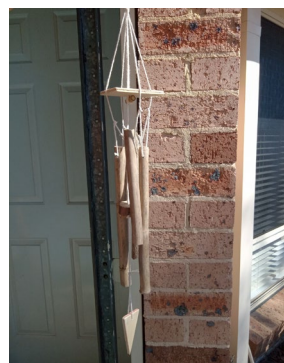
PHOTOS OF MY WINDCHIME IN PROGRESS AND FINISHED PRODUCT



Finished product

Fishing line on shells from step 3

Materials from step 1



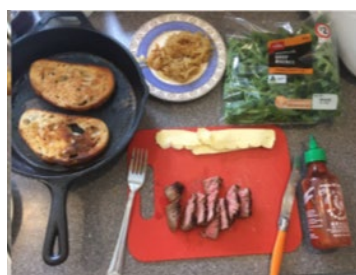
DESIGN AND DRAW

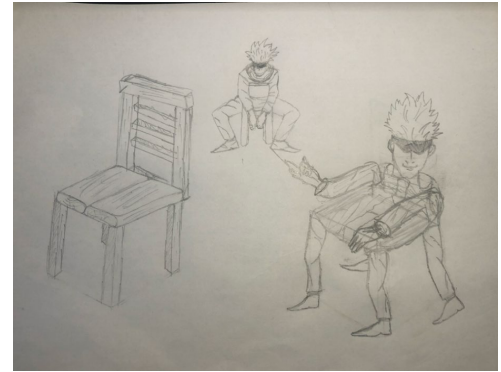
Pictures: The Design and drawing process is shown in the picture. I drew on my surface. It shows my thought process and what I was thinking when I designed the wind chime. I didn't take any pictures of me making the chime so I guess what it looked like.



Year 9 Textile students have been asking how long is a piece of string – or to be more precise, what can be created with yarn? They've been exploring macrame, knitting and crochet and made some stunning pieces.

Year 9 & 10 Food Technology students have been showcasing their cooking skills in home cooking challenges.





Ms Turner
Head Teacher TAS

Year 9 News

Congratulations Talita F

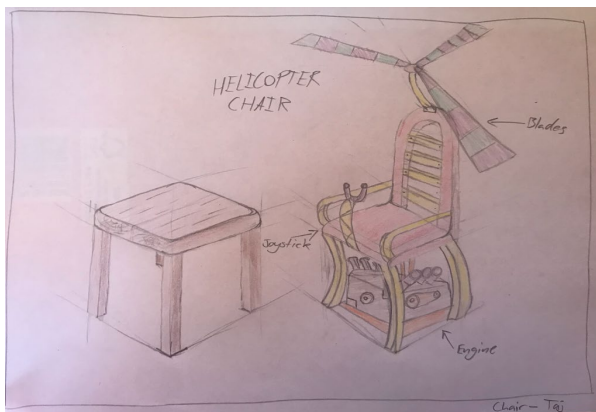
Talita has been selected to participate in an online dance workshop with Bangarra Dance Theatre! The Arts Unit has offered this opportunity to Talita because she has been identified as a high potential and gifted dancer who was short listed as a member of the NSW Public School Senior Dance Ensemble. Talita was to audition for the Schools Spectacular Featured Dance Combined Ensemble but unfortunately due to COVID restrictions these auditions could not be completed.

Bangarra Dance Theatre is an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander organisation and one of Australia's leading performing arts companies, widely acclaimed nationally and around the world for their powerful dancing, distinctive theatrical voice and utterly unique soundscapes, music and design.

We are extremely proud of Talita's efforts and look forward to her sharing this wonderful experience with us after she completes the workshop.

Mrs Walker
Dance Teacher and Year 9 Advisor

Year 10s have been exploring all things STEM – Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths, 3D modelling an ideal room and taking part in a STEM Paper Olympiad where they tried to create the strongest bridge from a single piece of paper or a gyrocopter that could hover for the longest time.



Careers Corner



THS Careers Website

The school has its own career website
www.terrigalhscareers.com

Students and parents can use this site for a wide range of career information. This site is particularly useful for students in the senior years, however, other students can access information on part time employment while they are still at school. If students register in the "Student Only" area they will be able to make use of many of the proformas available. They can develop a resume, a cover letter, find out how to act in an interview, what to wear for an interview and many other things.

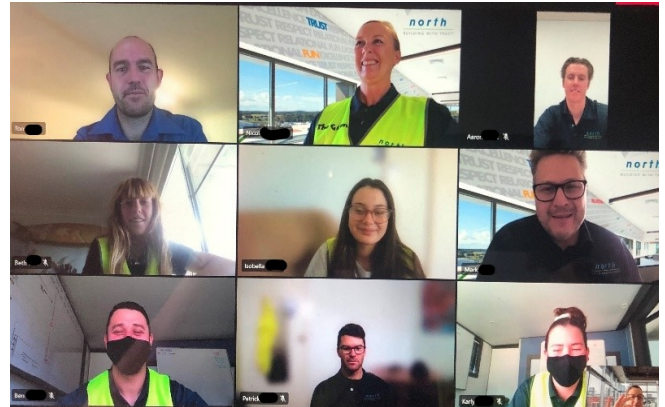
Year 12

- UAC applications are closing soon, 30th September.
- The Schools Recommendation Early Entry Scheme closes on the 19th September.
- EAS (Educational Access Scheme) for disadvantaged is also due by the 30th September, but there is some flexibility after this date.

We'd like to congratulate the following students having already received an early offer to university: Tayla K (UWS), Estella H (Notre Dame) and Niamh W (ACU).

North Construction Virtual Meet & Greet

On September 9th North Construct ran a wonderful program for selected Year 9 & 10 female or indigenous students from across the Central Coast who were interested in the Construction Industry. Two of our Year 9 students, Bella L and Isobella W, were able to participate in this amazing opportunity.



Mrs Bates
Careers Advisor



8 September 2021

**Central Coast Grammar School
Terrigal High School**

SCHOOL BUS 2546 - PM SERVICE

Dear Parents and Students

Previous notification advised that the below changes would commence Tuesday 5th October 2021, unfortunately the changes have been delayed and will **instead commence Monday 25th October 2021**, we apologise for any confusion this may have caused.

School Bus 2546 will operate 5 minutes later throughout the journey. There will be **no** changes to the route and the first set down at Terrigal Dr/Ocean View Dr for Terrigal High School students.

The revised operating times will be as follows: -

3:10pm – Central Coast Grammar School
3:30pm – Terrigal High School
3:39pm – Terrigal Surf Club
4:02pm – Scenic Hwy/Picketts Valley Rd

For further information please contact Busways Customer Service on **1300 69 2929**.

Alternatively you can view all of your schools timetabled services at:

<https://www.busways.com.au/nsw/school-services/school-timetables> and select the link adjacent to your schools name; "New timetable | 25 October 2021".

Yours sincerely,

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