

Terrigal High School NEWSLETTER

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Principal's Report

Dear families of Terrigal High,

Congratulations to our boys open football team who made it through to the top 4 in NSW demonstrating excellence in this domain. It was an awesome sight to see our whole school cohort attend an excursion over to Duffy's Oval during week 3 to support the team who won on the day. This experience enhanced the school culture of Terrigal High School and lifted the players supporting them with their win. Congratulations to Mr Purnell for his efforts as coach.

Our Year 12 students completed their Trial HSC examinations across weeks 2 and 3 and attempted their best in each subject. It is now time for reflection on results and implementing feedback given from staff to refine and grow their achievement for the HSC (11th October to Friday 3rd November). Year 12 IT Timber, Dance and Textiles have completed their major works and performances with external NESAs itinerant markers. Congratulations to these students and the expertise and support of their teachers.

Year 12 IT Timber, Dance, Textiles and English Extension 2 students have completed their major works and performances with external NESAs itinerant markers.

Year 12 are encouraged to reflect on their courses and content, but also on their wellbeing which is key to doing your best. Year 12 are reminded to engage in lessons with staff and have a positive work ethic for the remainder of this term to reach their potential to lift the entire cohort's results.

The Department of Education (DoE) newly appointed Minister for Education Prue Car and Secretary of the DoE Murat Dizdar are asking parents and carers to engage with the draft plan:

[DRAFT Our plan for NSW public education 230623](#)

The plan outlines how we will create an outstanding and equitable education system and uplift trust and pride in the teaching profession. You are encouraged to have your say using the link below:

[Draft plan for NSW public education](#)

The NSW Premier Chris Minns announced there will be a mobile phone ban in all public schools from Term 4 this year, bringing NSW high schools into line with all other high schools across Australia. Parents and care-givers were emailed initial information and the DoE policy on 14th August allowing time to prepare for these changes. Please read over the email sent and discuss these changes with your child/ren. This will be a big change for all students and their families, but we will navigate this together. THS will be using Phone Locker signal blocking pouches (see below image) with a detailed THS policy for students and parents being sent in the coming weeks.



So as not to interfere with the continuum of learning for your child, family holidays outside of school holiday periods is discouraged. For any leave, a reminder to contact the school for an 'Application for extended leave' to be completed and approved prior to leaving. If this process isn't adhered to, your child's absence will be unexplained.

Wearing our school uniform with pride enhances school culture. Students who have pride in their school environment will most likely have pride in the work they engage with and produce. Students who wear the uniform with pride most often respect themselves and others and behave in a way that makes our school proud of them. We encourage our students to be the best person they can be with their learning and as part of our school community. Uniform is part of this ethos. I encourage students and families to embrace this ethos and be proud of being a part of the THS community.

Please adhere to the processes. If for any reason your child is out of uniform, please contact your child's Deputy Principal for any concerns around this.

Regards,
Mrs Sharnee Klempert
Relieving Principal

PDHPE First Aid

Year 11 PDHPE have been studying first aid this term. The students have developed skills in CPR and crisis management. Here is 11PD3 practising their slings and bandages.



Year 10 Snow Trip Adventure

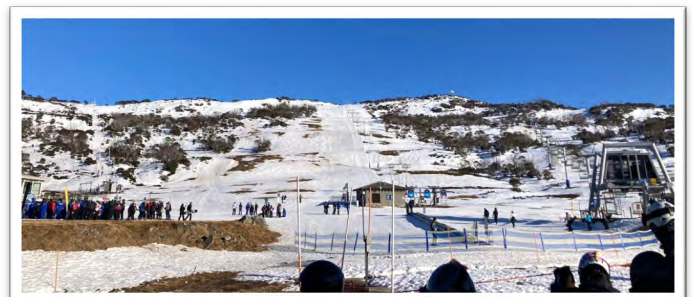
During week 3 of the term, Year 10 students embarked on a thrilling adventure to Perisher Resort, to take on the challenging but rewarding sports of skiing and snowboarding. Whilst conditions made for increasingly patchy snow, the trip was blessed with outstanding weather.

The journey was more than just acquiring new skills – it was a lesson in determination, adaptability, and collaboration. Many of the students had never before ventured into the realm of skiing or snowboarding, making their initial endeavours on the slopes a mixture of excitement and trepidation. However, under the guidance of experienced instructors, they swiftly transformed from novices to confident learners, conquering the slopes and getting that insta-worthy shot with their mates.

Students also enjoyed trivia night activities, games and movies and as the week progressed the experience fostered a strong sense of unity within the cohort. Encouraging each other, sharing laughs, and celebrating small victories forged bonds that will undoubtedly carry over into their academic and personal lives.

A massive thank you to the staff that accompanied Year 10 on the trip. Your supervision, guidance, patience and care were invaluable. A huge congratulations must also go to Year 10 on your punctuality, respect for instructions and your diligence. You all have a lot to be proud of!

Ms Bond
Year 10 Advisor



YEAR TO SNOW TRIP ADVENTURE



Debating News

The Terrigal High Debating team was up against Erina High on the 2nd August. The topic was "That no one should be allowed to post online comments anonymously" and Terrigal argued the negative side for this statement.

Today's team order consisted of:

Jade T - Speaker 1

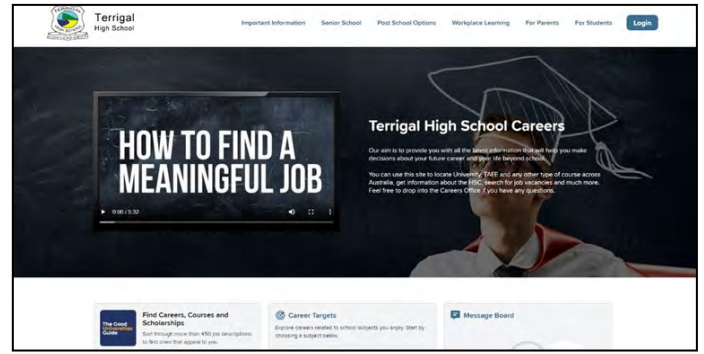
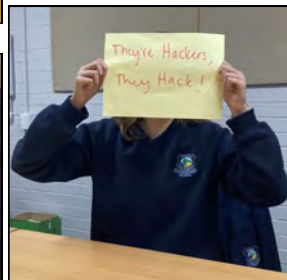
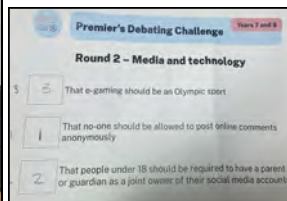
Imogen C - Speaker 2

Abby P-H - Speaker 3

Isla A - Speaker 4/Team Captain

Terrigal were victorious in this bout. Their next round will be against Umina Campus (BWSC) in a couple of weeks. Congratulations girls!

Mr Watson
English Teacher



Work Experience Year 10

Year 10 students should be planning their Work Experience if they haven't already done so. Whilst there is no set date for them, it is highly advised they participate in this very valuable experience before the end of the year. Students were given information on this earlier in the year. If they need a form or more information please see Ms Bates in Careers!



Year 10 and 11 TAFE Applications

If students are interested in picking up a TAFE course for 2024 through school, please see Careers for an application. The closing deadline is 8th September!

University applications through UAC (Universities Admission Centre) opened early April and will close 29th September. The Careers Advisers are also available in the Careers Office to guide students through the process and inform them of Early Entry programs too.

Information Sessions for Students & Parents:

Sydney Actors School | Open Day 2023. On Saturday 16 September, 10am, join workshops, masterclasses, tours of the facilities, and a BBQ lunch. After lunch an information session about courses, and a Q&A. Register here: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/open-day-2023-tickets-548268043477>.

Careers News



Terrigal High Careers Website

The Terrigal High School career website address is www.terrighscareers.com. All 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.

University of Notre Dame Open Day. Visit Sydney campus Saturday 26 August 2023. Open Day is the perfect opportunity to learn about study and career options and gain insight into courses - while discovering everything that Notre Dame has to offer.

TAFE NSW Virtual Open Day 2023. Explore TAFE NSW through a virtual experience and learn about courses, facilities and support services from teachers and staff. Register to discover more about scholarships, degrees, pathway opportunities, flexible study options, enrolment support and so much more: <https://www.tafensw.edu.au/virtualopenday>.

University of Newcastle Indigenous Law Early Entry Scheme Closing Soon. Applications for the University of Newcastle's Indigenous Law Early Entry Scheme close on 11 September 2023. Apply for the chance to receive an offer to the Bachelor of Laws (Honours) Combined before the HSC, plus a guaranteed place in University accommodation and more. Visit <https://newcastle.edu.au/SLJIEE>.

The University of Sydney | Early offers for Visual Arts and Music The deadlines for students to apply to receive an early offer to study Visual Arts or Music via the Creative Arts Special Admission Scheme are fast approaching. Music Find out more: <https://bit.ly/CASASSCM>. Register audition: <https://bit.ly/SCMAuditions>. Deadline: 3 or 17 September 2023. Visual Arts. Find out more and submit a portfolio: <https://bit.ly/VAUSYD>. Deadline: 5pm, 31 August 2023.

Charles Sturt University Charles Sturt Advantage Early Offer Program. The last round for 2023 (round 3) of the Charles Sturt Advantage early offer program is open now until 31 August 2023. Charles Sturt will assess student applications based on their soft skills (for example, their resilience and empathy) and their Year 11 results. For more information: <https://study.csu.edu.au/study-options/pathways/charles-sturt-advantage>.

Apprenticeship Opportunity:

Avoca Beach Surf Club are currently searching for one, possibly two, first year apprentice chefs. They run a calm, positive and supportive team environment where staff can learn and contribute openly. See Ms Bates in Careers.

Year 10 Mentoring Program in Terms 2 & 3:

Terrigal High's Mentor Program for some of our Year 10 students kicked off on the 8th June. The program has been running for a couple of hours in the morning each Thursday for 20 weeks. It is a highly rewarding experience for mentors and an invaluable experience for our students needing a little bit of extra help finding their way with post school planning.

[Ms E Bates and Ms J Bates](#)
Careers Advisors



All Things SRC

As always, it has been the greatest pleasure working with our amazing Student Representative Council. At the end of last term, our wonderful SRC helped Mrs Klempert, arrange the amazing Terrigal Fun Day for our students. What an enjoyable day we had!!! Students were divided into three groups (Years 7/8, Years 9/10 and Years 11/12) and they rotated through three areas of the school – the basketball court area, the COLA area near the canteen, and the oval. Two of these areas had a food truck and all three areas had lots of activities for students such as trivia, chess, ball games and karaoke, to name just a few. Our wonderful SRC students organised and ran these activities, and all of our students enjoyed the time immensely. It was fabulous listening to our students and some of our teachers sing!!

On Thursday of week 2 after school, Max B, Olivia B, Rory Z and Leah B, joined me at Coast Shelter, to cook and serve dinner to some wonderful people in need of a hot meal, a warm place and a friendly chat. It is a great honour to see our wonderful students engage in this task with such humility and willingness to serve our community.

Our SRC are busy preparing for our upcoming 'Wear It Purple Day' which will be on Friday, 25th August. 'Wear It Purple Day', strives to foster supportive, safe, empowering and inclusive environments for our LGBTQIA+ young people and those in our community. Students will be invited to wear a 'splash' of purple in addition to their normal school uniform and asked to donate a gold coin. All proceeds will be donated to the Wear It Purple Foundation which helps support at risk LGBTQIA+ youth.

Of course, our SRC continue with the running of our Coffee Clinic each morning before school. Our students volunteer their time and expertise to make and sell coffee to staff and senior students, effectively gaining invaluable experience in running a business.



Additionally, our SRC liaise with their year groups and are encouraged to take these suggestions to our wonderful leadership team, Max B, Cooper B, Ercalyn L, and Bronte H, who in turn meet with Mrs Klempert each Tuesday at recess to discuss these suggestions. It is wonderful to see our School Captains and Vice Captains engaging first-hand, in this democratic and participative process of continual improvement. Terrigal High School is so fortunate to have our wonderful SRC students representing our student body.

Ms Massie
HSIE Teacher and SRC Co-ordinator



Coast Shelter



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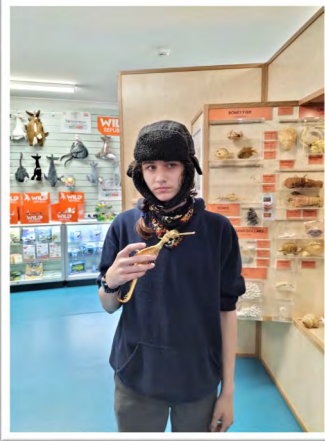
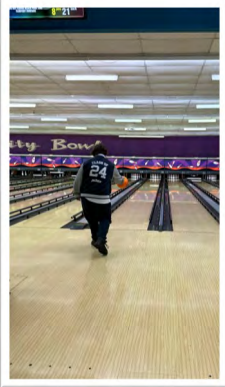
TAS News

Stage 4 Technology and MC students have been increasing their food preparation skills and enjoying the results of their newly developed skills. Healthy meals and a few tasty treats have been produced.

Ms Turner
Head Teacher TAS



THIS SUPPORT UNIT IN PICTURES!



HSC Dance Practical Examinations

Congratulations to the 2023 HSC Dance cohort who undertook the HSC Practical Examinations this week. 80% of the Examination mark completed! The highlight was a collection of very creative Compositions performed by our junior students. Well done, Dancers.



HSC Dance students Olivia, Eva, Ashley, Eliza and Lilia

Central Coast Showcase 2023

The Terrigal High School Dance Ensemble has been selected to perform in this year's Central Coast Showcase. The Ensemble is comprised of elite dance students from Years 7 to 11. We wish all the performers at Central Coast Showcase the best of luck and 'Chookas' to our dancers.



Ella and Mia two of our Year 7 Ensemble dancers rehearsing

School Spectacular

A huge CONGRATULATIONS to Ken, Sydney, and Maddi for selection as Specialist Performers in the School Spectacular. This is an amazing achievement for 3 extremely talented and humble students. We wish you all the best for rehearsals and look forward to watching you steal the show in November.



Ashley and Mia



Student performers Talita, Sydney, Mia and Maddie



School Spectacular Specialist Performers Maddi, Sydney and Ken

Ms Walker
PDHPE/Dance Teacher



HSC student Eva and her student performers Sydney and Mia



HSC student Ashley and her student performers Maddi and Talita

Max Potential

Max Potential Year 11 Students

Milly, Josh and Srey Nin have been participating in the Max Potential program over the past 5 months. Max Potential is an innovative leadership development program. As one of Australia's longest-running youth development programs, Max Potential connects high school students with local community and business leaders to engage in one-on-one coaching, experiential workshops and deliver a community service pitch that takes an entrepreneurial approach to meeting needs in their local community.

This was a huge commitment from these outstanding Terrigal High School students, and we are very proud of their efforts.

Congratulations Milly, Josh and Srey-nin!

Ms Walker
PDHPE/Dance Teacher



Central Coast Showcase

Central Coast Public Schools' Showcase is a series of concerts held annually at the Laycock Street Community Theatre. The concerts provide an opportunity for the most accomplished performing artists from across the Central Coast from Kindergarten to Year 12, to perform in a professional theatre. In 2023 Terrigal High School will present performances by the THS Dance Troup "How will I know" on Thursday 24/9, and featured musical items on Friday 25/8 by guitarist Kyce E. Year 11, vocalist Jade J. Year 11 and Lydia H. Year 12 vocalist. Our school stage crew will also provide the backbone of the show with their professionalism running the show. Tickets available from:

[Central Coast Showcase ticket sales](#)



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