

The Summit Times

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The HSC Journey Begins for the Class of 2024

After 13 years of schooling, the moment has arrived - the HSC exams begin this week for our Year 12 students.

Amongst those sitting these exams, we have talented artists who don't need to excel in Maths, aspiring entrepreneurs who may not have a passion for History or English Literature, and gifted musicians whose Chemistry marks won't define their future. We also have athletes for whom physical fitness is far more crucial than a deep understanding of Physics or Engineering. We recognize the immense pressure placed on students during this period, and we want to remind you that your HSC results do not determine your value or define who you are. You are worthy, regardless of what the outcome may be.

To our Year 12 students: Do your very best, but always remember to be kind to yourself and to those around you. Success isn't just about exams — it's about perseverance, self-compassion, and embracing the journey ahead. The path you choose today doesn't have to be permanent. Where you go next is your choice, not a decision dictated by any exam result or societal expectations. Whether you achieve top marks or not, we will celebrate your efforts and success. This is only the beginning of a much larger adventure, and no matter what, we are incredibly proud of each of you. Good luck to the Class of 2024 - your potential is limitless, and your future is bright.

Glen Kingsley
Relieving Principal



YUMARO Open Day

Yumaro Nursery & Garden Centre held their Grand Opening on Friday and many UHS students and staff went along to join the celebrations and check out the amazing new buildings and facilities. Chase Stewart, proud member of Mirbi Bunbal and proud employee of Yumaro delivered the beautiful Acknowledgment of Country. Yumaro is located next to Ulladulla Leisure Centre, it is full of lots of beautiful plants and people, including many current and past Ulladulla High School students. We are very fortunate to have such a great service in our community.



Thank You to St John NSW for Defibrillator Donation

We are incredibly grateful to St John NSW and the Sitaramayya family for their generous donation of a defibrillator and casing, along with a commemorative plaque to our school. Andrew Sitaramayya was a dedicated St John Ambulance member who left a corporate role to give back to the community. He died from a sudden cardiac arrest in 2022 and in his memory, Andrew's wife raised \$24,000 to supply the St John Ambulance defibrillators to the community. This vital piece of equipment has been installed in the Q block staff foyer area, ensuring it is accessible and centrally located near the oval, basketball areas, and staff room. This addition significantly enhances the safety and well-being of our students, staff, and visitors. We already have a defibrillator in the admin sickbay room, and this new installation further strengthens our emergency preparedness. We would also like to extend our thanks to Cecelia Haddad, Communications Adviser, for coordinating this initiative. On Thursday 26 September a CPR and Defibrillator awareness training session was held for a selection of students and staff, facilitated by a member of St John NSW, and covered by local media. Thank you once again to St John NSW for their continued support and commitment to our school's health and safety.



Careers

Careers Conversations that Count!

Helping the parents of Year 8 students to feel more comfortable in guiding their children's future careers and educational choices. Research shows that parents and carers are the primary influence on their children's career choices, shaping their values, aspirations, and decisions from an early age. This program is designed to help parents and students explore future career pathways and make informed decisions about education and career opportunities. Presenters include representatives from Country Universities Centre, UHS Careers and Transition Advisors, and Regional Careers Coordinator. Canapes and beverages will be provided at the event. An email to express your interest for this event went out on 26 September.

Work Experience Students

Congratulations to the many UHS students who were out and about in our community on Work Experience late last term. These include Fin Knight at Astute Physiotherapy, Lois Shea at Milton Hair Design, Kiara Barkle and Matilda Raiss at Budawang Early Learning Centre, Riley Gleeson-Morris at NSW National Parks, Alira Pontin at Shoalhaven Zoo, Cody Sproule at Floorworld, Darcy Stewart at 2ST/ Power FM, Max Heather at Hisway, Sarah Fletcher at Ulladulla Primary School, Judah Wilson at Edmiston Jones Architects, Jake Shea with Milton Tree Solutions and Oscar Perry-Dickenson with Ulladulla Plumbing and Gas Solutions.

Thanks to the many local trades and businesses for supporting these students to gain hands-on workplace experience.



Who we are Photo *What we value...*
What we believe... *What we think...*

Spring has Sprung - Flowers from the Milumba Excursion



Year 12 Summit Day 2024

On Tuesday, 25 September, 100 eager Year 12 students, accompanied by several adventurous staff members, set off from school at 3:30am for one final sunrise adventure together. Our journey began in the predawn darkness as the coaches whisked us away to the stunning Booderee National Park. Upon arrival, we were greeted by the local wildlife - seals, dolphins, whales, and eagles - creating a breathtaking welcome. As the sun rose, Mr. Richardson serenaded us with his bagpipes, providing a magical soundtrack to the moment. While many of us soaked in the



beauty of the sunrise, a few couldn't resist sneaking in a quick nap on the cool sand. Next, we embarked on a scenic coastal walk, taking in the beauty of nature at its finest. Along the way, we encountered a rather large whale carcass, which, while fascinating, wasn't exactly a treat for the senses! The rest of the day was spent relaxing on the beach - whether lounging on the sand, swimming, or getting competitive with games of beach volleyball, spikeball and soccer. Some even took on the challenge of building a water channel to the ocean. Lunch was a highlight, with delicious hamburgers served up by our amazing retired alumni staff members: Barry Christiansen, Matt Graham, and Rob Chambers. A huge thank you to everyone involved in organising this unforgettable day, especially Ms. Bunyan, Miss Waser, and all the staff who helped out and attended. It was the perfect way to celebrate and spend time with our 2024 Year 12 graduates.

- Mr. Youens and Ms. Brooks



Career Conversations That Count

SAVE THE DATE

Monday

28 October

2024

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Register interest

<https://forms.gle/5sNKAKcw8aKoKnk88>

Big Picture Lend a Helping Hand

Big Picture students lent a helping hand on Wednesday 25 September to help prepare the refreshments for our Year 12 Graduating Students and their families after the Graduation Assembly.



Koori Korner

Welcome back mob and welcome to term 4!

We hope you all had an awesome break spending time with family and enjoying Country. This term we are looking forward to starting the transition process with our Year 6 First Nation students starting their High School journey with us next year. We also have our last AECG meeting for the year in week 2, Wednesday 23 October at 6pm in our school staff room. Community members and parents/carers of our students are highly encouraged to attend these meetings to find out what's happening in our schools for our students and get involved with their education. I'd also like to wish Jhye, Bonni, Emma, Summer, Kyle, Reece, Blake, Sarayah, Jada and Anais good luck on their HSC exams! They've all worked so hard over the years and we're all very proud of their achievements and getting to this last stage of their High School journey.

Have a good Term you mob!

Social Media Choices

Students growing up in a digital age need to feel confident about making positive choices online, which will benefit their ongoing wellbeing. Schools and the classroom provide safe spaces for students to explore their ideas around social media, and to learn that there are both positive and negative aspects of using platforms. Ultimately, however, each individual needs to decide for themselves how to engage with the online world. Check out some information at <https://tinyurl.com/yna7npku>

REACHOUT

Year 7 Stories - Coming Soon!

This term we will be printing an anthology of wonderful Year 7 stories. Parents and carers can pre-order copies this term. Watch out for the order form in your email inbox this week.



Baby Bird Rescue

Students from H1 were cleaning up rubbish on the top oval at the end of last term and came across a baby magpie that had either been kicked out of the nest or had fallen. The boys discovered that the magpie had an injured leg so we called wires and popped the bird in a box to keep it safe from predators. Volunteers from Wires picked up the baby magpie, cleaned him up and brushed him with a mascara brush as he was looking pretty rough...he is doing well. The baby magpie will ideally be released back into the school grounds as soon as he is able to fly. This is very common this time of year and if anyone comes across any injured wildlife H1 would be available to assist.



Milumba End of Term Fun Day

Students & Staff from Milumba visited Burrill Lake Lions Park last week for their end of term excursion, the weather was perfect and students were able to swim, fish and play games around the Lake. We are so grateful to have such a beautiful place to visit that is so close to our school.



Chill out Tuesdays

Tuesday Chill out space happening every week on the grass near the oval. Come listen to some tunes, smash us in UNO and other games and have a chat in the sun. SSO Jody and the PAIS crew Jessi, Tamara, Bardon and Kadu would love to hear any ideas you have for this space - drop in any Tuesday during main break.



Guest Speaker Kirli Saunders

At the end of last term, UHS was visited by artist, author, singer/ songwriter and poet, Kirli Saunders. Kirli told stories of Aboriginal culture and read some touching poems and phrases from her own books. Students were awed and inspired as Kirli told us about some of her greatest achievements which included collaborating with Google and working with the TRACES team (an interactive voice-to-art installation). Saunders continued her presentation by educating students on Aboriginal practices and traditions, telling us about her encounter with brown snakes on Mystery Bay, making it clear to ask Elders for permission before walking or taking from land. Kirli ended her captivating speech by motivating students to work for their goals and seize opportunities. Her presentation will leave an influence on all students and teachers that attended.



Year 12 Students of the Week

All the very best to our Year 12 students starting their HSC exams this week.



UHS CANTEEN



FRESH WRAPS

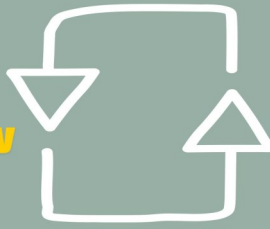


FRESH SALADS

EFTPOS AVAILABLE
Orders can be made via Flexischools or at the canteen window before school
OPEN before school, Recess, Lunch 1 and Lunch 2

UHS Swap Shop

Open Wednesday Mornings
8:15am - 8:45am



Uniform Shop

Hours

Monday 8am - 11am
Tuesday 8am - 11am
Wednesday 8am - 11am
Thursday 8am - 11am

Shop Coordinator
Evelyn

Shop Now

www.daylightschoolwear.au/ulladulla

** Standard uniform shop trading hours during school terms



Dates to remember

	Term 4
Mon 14 Oct	School returns for staff and students Term 4
Tues 15 Oct or Tues 22 Oct	Yr 11 Drivers Ed Police Talk
Wed 16 Oct or Wed 23 Oct	Yr 11 Drivers Ed Emergency Service Talk
Thu 17 Oct	Yr 11 Drivers Ed Marulan Day Group 1
Mon 14 - Fri 18 Oct	UHS NAIDOC Week
Tue 15 Oct - Fri 8 Nov	HSC Exams
Fri 18 Oct	NAIDOC Ceremony
Tue 22 Oct	Principal Awards Assembly
	Big Picture visit to Sarah Claydon
Thur 24 Oct	Yr 11 Drivers Ed Marulan Day Group 2
Fri 25 Oct	Nowra Tafe Automotive Excursion
Mon 28 Oct	Yr 8 Parent and Information Skills Night
Thur 31 Oct	Come Alive Theatre Performance
Mon 4 Nov	Yr 12 Extension Science Excursion / Sydney UNI
	Reef and Rainforest 2025 Excursion Info night
Thur 7 Nov	Expo @ UHS
Fri 8 Nov	Year 6 into 7 Taster Day

Study Centre: Tue & Wed afternoon 3 - 5pm in the Library. All Welcome!



Upcoming Camps

Thu 14 Nov - Fri 15 Nov	OED Overnight Hike Oaky Beach
Tue 19 Nov - Fri 22 Nov	Bournda Camp
Wed 4 Dec - Fri 6 Dec	Year 7 Jindabyne Camp
Sun 8 Dec - Fri 13 Dec	Year 11 Pretty Beach Camp

STUDY CENTRE BACK WEEK 1

THE STUDY CENTRE WILL COMMENCE FROM WEEK 1 THIS TERM - TUES & WED AFTERNOONS. ALL WELCOME!

3-5PM
IN THE LIBRARY



Community News



Disabled Surfers South Coast
Presents Mollymook 'Smiles on Dials Day'
Saturday 23rd November 2024

Meet at Mollymook Beach, southern end near the Golf Club
Check-in no later than 9.00am - Group-care facility participants limit of 6 per facility

A fun day surfing experience for any person with a disability, no matter how challenging, with complete water supervision.

Registration for Participants is **FREE** and all participants receive a bag of goodies. Thanks to the local participating surf shops and businesses some gifts are provided. Free registration for Volunteer Helpers and for giving up your time you will receive **FREE Sausage Sizzle** on the day.

For more information and who to contact view

disabledsurfers.org/nsw/south-coast-branch or www.disabledsurfers.org



Nippers 2024/2025 Season - Registrations Open!

See Mollymook Surf Life Saving Club Facebook page.
Existing members can renew through <https://sls.com.au/>

Season Commences : Sunday 27th October

Infuse

Join us in September 2025

Reef & Rainforest Adventure!

Immerse yourself in Far North Queensland on this journey that brings you up close with nature! Explore Cairns and the Daintree Rainforest, snorkel the Great Barrier Reef and make cultural connections with Indigenous Elders.

Trip Highlights!

- Explore the beauty of Cairns, the Daintree Rainforest and Cape Tribulation
- Spend time in an Indigenous community learning about their culture and conservation efforts
- Learn independence, resilience, co-living and teamwork skills
- Create lifelong memories & strengthen friendships
- Cruise out the Great Barrier Reef and snorkel with amazing marine life!

Information Evening

Register now to attend the information evening
<https://forms.gle/Fkt17NhDyAs9uvHNg>

Ulladulla High School
Monday November 4th 2024
5 - 6pm

Program dates: 08 - 15 September 2025

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