# The Summit Times

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#### **Career Conversations That Count!**

Parents and carers of Year 8 students gathered last week for the inaugural Career Conversations That Count workshop at the Country Universities Centre here in Ulladulla (CUC). This engaging event



provided an opportunity for attendees to reflect on their own career journeys, explore the centre's facilities, and discover valuable resources and strategies for guiding their children in discussions about future study and work opportunities. The workshop was expertly coordinated by relieving Transition Officer Eliza McCabe, who facilitated insightful presentations from UHS Careers Advisor Karyn Ingold, along with Regional



Head Teachers of Career and Educational Pathways Program, Shanna Fuz and Lauren McCarthy, and Carly McTavish from the CUC. Their contributions helped illuminate various pathways available to students, ensuring

parents were well-equipped to support their children's aspirations. The event saw strong attendance from our parent community, and we extend our gratitude to the Country Universities Centre for providing such a fantastic venue and catering. The CUC has also been instrumental this year in leading the My Strengths program for all Year 8 students, further enriching their educational experience. Feedback from parents was overwhelmingly positive, and we are excited to plan additional workshops for Year 9 in 2025 as we continue to support this group through their educational journey. We encourage parents and carers to stay informed by reviewing Summit Times and the UHS Careers Website, while students can access updates through the Sentral Daily Notices. Congratulations to everyone involved in making this event a success!

- Carly Ommundsen, Head Teacher, Careers and Transition.



#### **Automotive TAFE Excursion**

Students had an engaging handson learning experience during a recent automotive excursion at TAFE Nowra. The event provided a unique opportunity for students to explore the world of automotive technology and gain insights into the industry. UHS alumni Grant Oliver, who currently teaches automotive studies, shared his inspiring journey from being a student to becoming a skilled



mechanic and eventually a dedicated teacher. His personal experiences added a valuable perspective for the students, highlighting the various paths available in the automotive field.



A special thanks goes out to TAFE for hosting the excursion, as well as to RIEP and EPP for their support in making this event possible. Additionally, we appreciate the efforts of volunteer bus driver Michael, whose contribution ensured that students could participate in this enriching experience. Overall, the excursion was a fantastic opportunity for students to learn and connect with professionals in the automotive industry.

#### **Bowling Our Way to Success!**

We are thrilled to share that our school's Ten Pin Bowling team recently travelled to Sydney to compete in the Inclusive Sport Ten Pin Bowling State Finals, where they achieved an incredible **7th place** out of the top 30 schools across



NSW! With over 300 secondary schools competing throughout the year, making it to the finals was already a huge



accomplishment, and our team truly shone on the day. Best of all, each team member improved on their scores from last year, showing the dedication and hard work they put into training. They had a fantastic time, represented our school with pride, and displayed outstanding sportsmanship. A big congratulations to our bowlers and a huge thank you to the supporters who cheered them on along the way!

#### Careers

#### Year 12 2025 University of Wollongong Opportunities In the week 2 Year meeting, Mrs Ingold/ Careers gave

#### students information about: Discovery Day Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> Feb, 2025

#### Discovery Days at UOW gives Year 12 students the

opportunity to experience firsthand what a day at university is like. **Registrations open on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November** via <u>UOW</u> <u>Discovery Day page</u>. Students create their own Timetable for the day, with popular classes filling up fast!

Permission notes will follow early next year.

#### **UOW Summer Master Class**

Students can complete 6 credit units towards a UOW degree and get a taste for University life during January 2025. <u>Apply</u> <u>here</u> by **Sunday November 10<sup>th</sup>**. Information webinar Tuesday October 29<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. <u>Register here!</u>

#### UOW Future Me Program

Explore your post-high school opportunities and improve your HSC study skills with the Year 12 Future Me program. You'll learn about university pathways, finance and about UOW's Early Admission process. There is no cost for UHS students. <u>Applications</u> open 11<sup>th</sup> November to Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> February. Future Me Program Term 1 2025 Week 6- Week 11.

#### White Card

Unfortunately, the Term 4 White Card course has been postponed until Term 1, 2025. Any students who require a White Card before next year, should speak with Mrs Ingold in Careers.



#### Job Opportunities Full Time Traineeship at Capital Chemist

Cert IV in Pharmacy Dispensing. Drop your resume in or email <u>ulladullamanager@capitalchemist.com.au</u> with the subject as Traineeship.

Work Experience Many students are taking up the opportunity to gain



We know what matters

skills in the workplace. Recently Eva Wolinski went to HMAS Albatross as part of the Defence Force WEX Program, Mia



Seccull helped at Milton Hair Design, Jayden Costa with Aaron's South Coast Painting, Rosie Pollock is caring for the animals at the Wandandian Wildlife Sanctuary, Sam Greenacre is on the tools with Ben Greenacre Builder and Joel Wright at Yumaro Nursery. Thanks to our wonderful employers for supporting the UHS Work Experience Program.

Darcy Stewart in the studio at Power FM on her recent Work Experience.

#### Book of the week and Reading Challenge Superstars

"Those Girls" by Pamela Rushby follows the journey of two teenage girls in 1900s Australia who are sent to work at a bustling, high-society mansion. Set against the backdrop of early feminist movements and changing social expectations,

the novel explores friendship, resilience, and the courage needed to carve out a path in a world that often restricts young women. Through their experiences, the girls confront societal constraints and find their own voices

societal constraints and find their own voice in an era of transformation. Age: 12+

Congratulations to our week 4 Reading Challenge Superstars Matilda Schultz and Isobel Howells from Year 7.



## Who we are PhotoWhat we value...What we believe...What we think...

Beach scene: Duke of Edinburgh practice journey



## Attendance Week – Explaining Absences and Supporting Teenagers with Social Media

Social media is a huge part of teenage life, but it can be tricky to navigate for parents and carers. From setting boundaries to encouraging healthy online habits, there are resources available to work together and make social media a safe space <u>Social media and teenagers</u> <u>Staying safe online</u> Please also remember that it is important to explain absences. Attendance below 80% is understood to be Educationally Destructive and we can help. If you notice that your child does not want to attend school on particular days or you feel concerned about signs of school refusal, there is support available at UHS. Information and strategies about school refusal are available <u>https://tinyurl.com/282bbh2p</u> Please contact UHS and ask to speak with Mrs Ommundsen for support.



#### Koori Korner

You're Invited to Giiyong Festival!

**FREE** bus trip from Ulladulla and **FREE** entry to the Giiyong Festival on Saturday 9th November. **Limited places. Registration essential.** 

**About Giiyong:** Giiyong Festival provides a rare opportunity in southeast NSW for the entire community to come together in celebration of Aboriginal arts, culture and resilience. Everyone is welcome at Giiyong Festival, which brings you the best Aboriginal performers, presenters and speakers in one big day.

You can register for siblings, friends and parents/ guardians to come too!

When: Saturday, 9th November.

**Where:** Bus will be departing from Ulladulla High School and traveling to Jigamy.

**Time:** Bus will leave UHS at 6:30 AM to arrive at the festival from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM, and will return to UHS at approximately 6:30 PM.

**No cost:** free transport and free ticket/s. Plus, lunch can be provided for anyone in need. **To register** 

email <u>WalkingTogetherMUD@gmail.com</u>. Please give the names of all people you're registering for and please identify any that are under 18 years old and who will accompany them. This is an incredible opportunity to connect with

culture and one another. We hope to see you there!



#### Ag Plot Veggie Gardens

We have some green thumbs working among us! These are the best two gardens on the Ag plot at the moment, and I would like to take a moment to congratulate two Year 10 students on their hard work and dedication. Tom Cowled and Soloman Fairs have truly gone above and beyond, and their gardens are looking well cared for and flourishing. The attention to detail in their planting and maintenance is evident, showcasing not only their skills but also their passion for gardening. It's inspiring to see such commitment - Well done boys!



Tom Cowled Year 10

Solomon Fairs Year 10

#### **Great Grand Final Students Victorious**

Last week, the victorious Year 9 students, mentioned and named in the week 1 Summit Times – The Little Monkeys, competed against a solid side of teachers in the NAIDOC Futsal Great Grand Final. It was a thrilling match which could have tipped to either side, but eventually the students got the edge by winning 5-4 after penalties. Well done, Year 9 students!



#### SSO Weekly Spotlight

PCYC Fit for Life is on again this term and kicked off with another great effort last week. PCYC Fit for Life is an early intervention program designed to engage with youth aged 10 to 17. Through physical fitness, nutrition and social engagement, PCYC Fit for Life aims to improve overall wellbeing while also focusing on preventing and diverting youth from risk taking

behaviours and the making of poor choices. PCYC Fit for Life builds positive relationships and focuses on the wellbeing of young people. Students are put through their paces with a range of different exercises, before being rewarded with a healthy snack, water and a chance to discuss a number of issues important to young people. Year 7-

Year 10 students commenced the program in week 2 and will attend every Friday for the remainder of the term.



#### 7 Red Maths

Mr. Sullivan and his class 7 Red went outside for a hands-on lesson on circles, diameter, and circumference. With measuring tapes in hand, they explored various circular objects, measuring diameters and calculating circumferences.



#### Year 11 Students of the Week



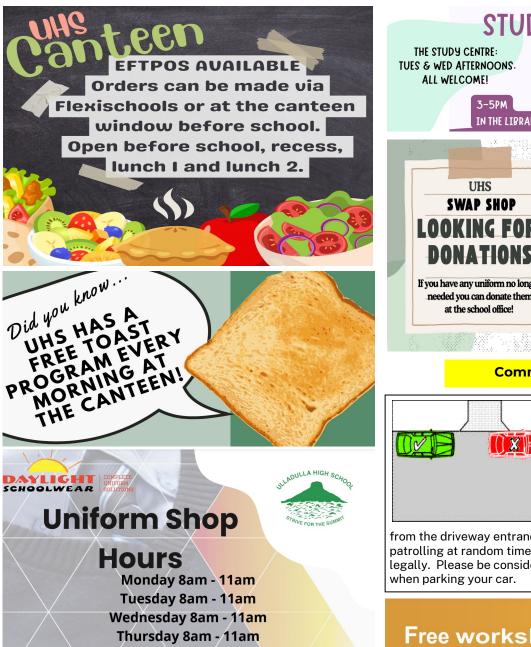
**Chloe Jeffers** is a very focused and motivated student who displays a positive attitude towards her senior studies. She is an active member of the SRC and has been leading environmental initiatives in the school, such as the BRAD box. Chloe is also involved with Sonder Youth, a youth-based local charity that aims to improve mental health through positive action.



Alex Gunn is a friendly student who is wellrespected by his peers and teachers. He applies himself to his senior studies, is a member of the SRC and happily helps others. He has been actively involved with the Milton-Ulladulla Scouts for almost 14 years and enjoys hiking and camping.

Both students were recently involved in the Kokoda Youth Challenge in Lake Macquarie, raising funds for youth programs in the community. Chloe and Alex demonstrated grit and determination in the 48km hike and should be proud of their efforts in representing Ulladulla High School.

#### Congratulations we are very proud of you both!



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#### Dates to remember

Term 4 Yr 12 Extension Science Excursion / Sydney UNI Reef and Rainforest 2025 Excursion Info night Expo @ UHS Year 6 into 7 Taster Day P&C Meeting 6:30pm Year 12 Formal Girls South Coast League Tag Competition Year 8 Country University Centre Kioloa Excursion Financial Literacy Excursion Dunn Lewis Centre Yr 12 Marine SCUBA excursion UHS Sports Assembly Session 3 Year 6 into 7 Information Evening Year 6 into 7 Transition Day Friends of the School Luncheon Last day for students

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

#### Upcoming Camps

Thur 14 Nov - Fri 15 Nov Tue 19 Nov - Fri 22 Nov Wed 4 Dec - Fri 6 Dec Sun 8 Dec - Fri 13 Dec

100ED Overnight Hike Bournda Camp Year 7 Jindabyne Camp Year 11 Pretty Beach Camp

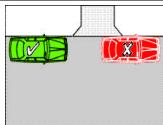
#### THE STUDY CENTRE: TUES & WED AFTERNOONS. ALL WELCOME! 3-5PM IN THE LIBRARY UHS SWAP SHOP LOOKING FOR

**STUDY CENTRE** 

If you have any uniform no longer needed you can donate them at the school office!



#### Community News



#### Attention all drivers

It has been brought to our attention that there have continually been cars parked across residential driveways around the school. Your vehicle must not block any driveway and must be parked at a minimum 1 metre away

from the driveway entrance. A council ranger will be patrolling at random times to make sure cars are parked legally. Please be considerate to our school neighbours when parking your car.

### Free workshop for parents and supervisors of learner drivers



Helping learner drivers become safer drivers

The two-hour session will offer practical advice about:

- current driving rules and requirements for L and P platers
- how learners benefit from supervised on-road driving
- how you can help make learning to drive a safe and positive experience





#### Tuesday, 12 November 2024, 6.00pm – 7.30pm

This workshop is being run in conjunction with Wollongong City Council and Shoalhaven City Council, Online via Microsoft Teams.

Bookings essential: bookings can be made via the link below. https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/9493513 64487?aff=oddtdtcreator