

The Parkway



November 2019

Parkway Edition No. 09

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Term 4 has well and truly started with great enthusiasm and the volume of excursions, programs and activities enhancing student learning shows no sign of slowing down. Since our last publication, I have had the privilege of celebrating a number of special events with our students, staff and parents.

The Children's University

One of these events was the graduation ceremony of eight Year 7 students from the Children's University. The Children's University is affiliated with the University of Newcastle and the Centre of Excellence for Equity in Higher Education.

The Children's University concept is relatively simple: it offers superior educational experiences for children aged between 7 and 14 years and recognises their achievements through the award of formal certificates and graduations. The model leverages local educational and learning activity providers (including sports clubs, museums, galleries, school clubs) and has a strong emphasis on experience as a significant learning tool, acknowledging the value of the range of different learning experiences and environments in which children engage.

Each child was issued with a *Passport to Learning* from our school, in which the hours of validated activity were recorded. The students were each presented with a 'Bronze Certificate' at the graduation ceremony which was held at the University of Newcastle's Great Hall. Congratulations to all of the students involved and sincere thanks to Samone Dinnery, Year 7 Advisor, for her support and coordination of the following students:

Max Bohlsen

Nicholas Fay

Noah Porter

Jessica Porter

Thornton Kunze

Jessica McHardy

Max Kearney

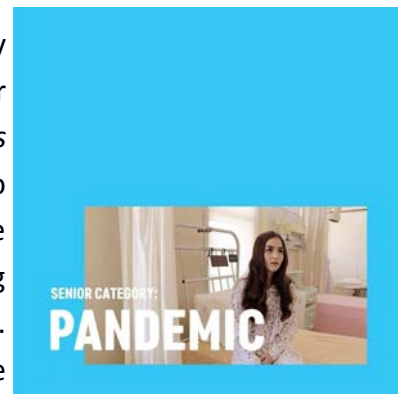


Principal's Message

Student Achievements



Jacob Ure (Year 12 2019) – Jacob recently won the *Student Bluey* at the Blue Heeler Film Festival. His film, *Pandemic: Margaret's Experience*, a story about a woman who contracted polio in the 1950s, took out the top prize in the senior category, earning Jacob a new HP laptop and \$3000 cash. Congratulations Jacob on this remarkable achievement.



Thomas Wellings (Year 12 2019) – Thomas has recently been selected in Reprise. Reprise celebrates outstanding achievement in HSC Music Performance. Thomas' performance, *Highway Star*, was successfully nominated and in the process competed against students from schools across the Hunter and Central Coast. This is an outstanding accomplishment.

Parent Forum

On Monday 4 November our parent forum was held. These evenings provide parents and carers the opportunity to engage with the school community in an informal setting. I would like to personally thank those parents who attended for their valuable contribution and thought provoking questions. Events such as these ensure that we have a parent perspective in our school's decision making and planning.

Many thanks to Michael Kondov (HT CAPA), Joel Anderson (HT PDHPE) and Sean Bromfield (HT Science) for their faculty presentations. All parents in attendance would unanimously agree that the three presentations, although different in their style, were highly engaging and informative.

As a school we warmly welcome parent and community voice and see it is a valued asset in strengthening our positive school culture.

Thank you,
Rochelle Dooley
Principal (Rel.)

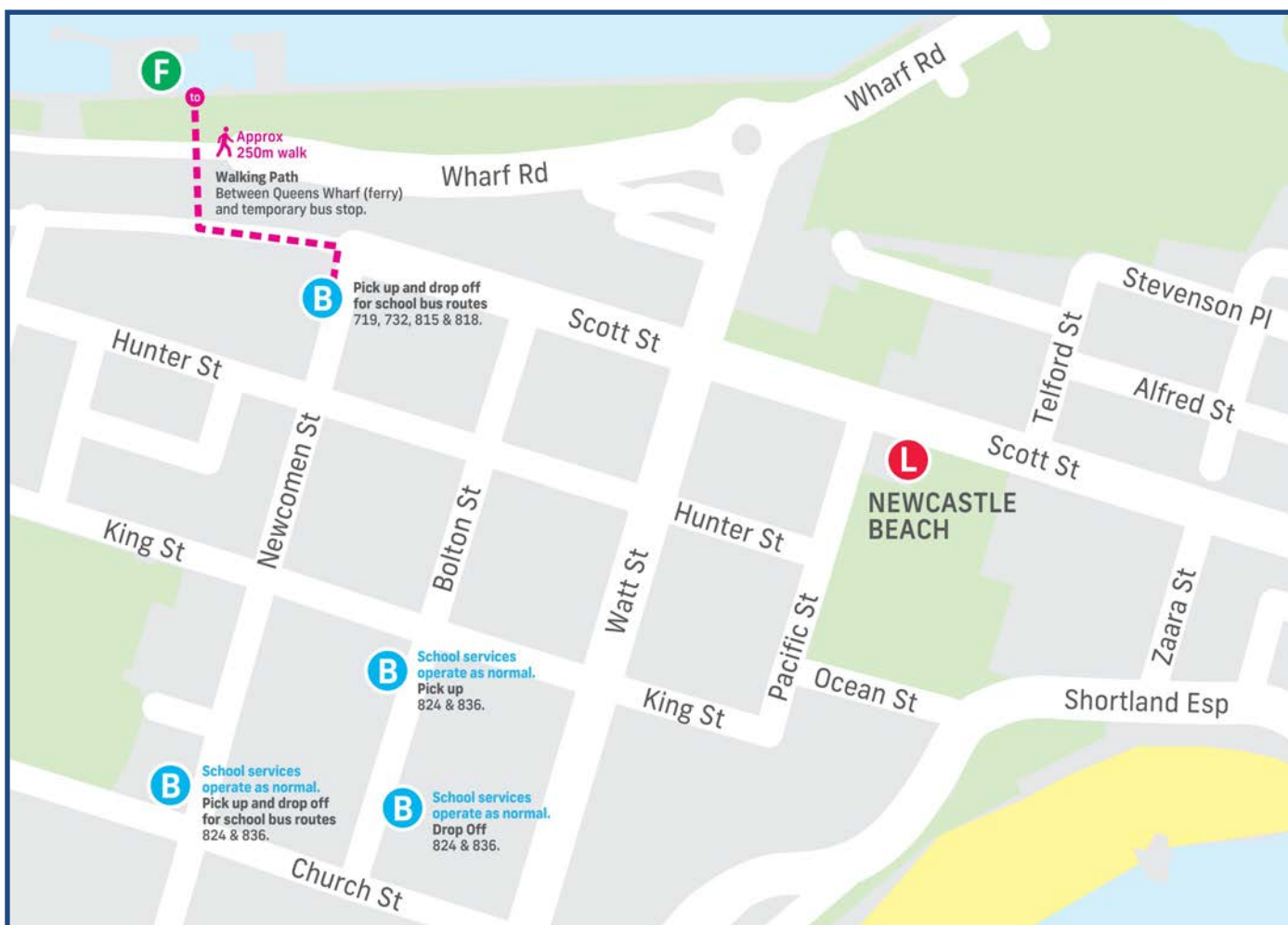
School Services Transport Notice

From Monday 11 November until 28 November 2019 there will be changes to some school services due to traffic diversions in preparation for the Newcastle 500 event.

School bus route 719 will pick up and drop off school students at Newcomen Street. It is then approximately a 250m walk to catch the Stockton ferry from Queens Wharf. Please see the below map for service diversion information.

Newcastle Transport customer service officers will be available at Queens Wharf and other bus stops in Newcastle East to assist students with the changes.

Should you have any questions about these changes or other school services, please contact the Customer Experience Team on 02 4974 1607.



Key Dates (More event information available in the Sentral Parent Calendar)

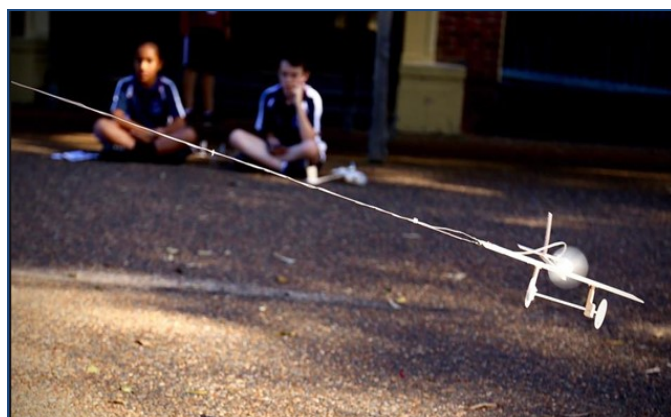
Term 4		
Week 5	11 November 11-15 November 13 November 15 November	HSC Exams Conclude VET WORK PLACEMENT - 11 Hospitality Orientation: 7up, Young Achievers and Art Masters Senior Camping—Clontarf Program
Week 6	18 November 22 November 22 November	Ronald McDonald House, Meals from the Heart catering Supercars Event Year 6 Aboriginal students and family morning tea
Week 7	26 November 27 November	Year 5 Sports Gala Day - National Park Orientation—7Up, Young Achievers and Art Masters
Week 8	2 December 3 December 4-5 December	IOTAS Disco—Main Hall Year 6 Orientation Day Kiama end of year trip—Clontarf Program
Week 9	10 December 12 December 13 December	Years 7-11 Presentation Night Passion Project Exhibition 3 School reports, P1 Years 7 and 9, P2 Years 8 and 10
Week 10	18 December	Students last day Term 4



TAS Faculty Report

This year has seen many changes within the TAS faculty. Some of our much loved faculty members left to pursue new adventures in the short term but we were lucky enough to replace them with some talented, enthusiastic new staff members. Mrs Sharyn Mathews took 12 months leave to see more of the amazing world in which we live and was replaced by Mrs Erin Pearce. Mrs Karen Hines leadership skills were recognised and she accepted a 12 month position as relieving Head Teacher TAS at the newly rebuilt Hunter Sports High. She was replaced by Ms Roxanne Butler who was a new face to our school. Both ladies have made a significant impression with their commitment and enthusiasm for teaching. We hope we continue to benefit from their expertise in 2020.

TAS (Technology and Applied Studies) has undergone significant changes in curriculum. Our Year 7 classes have enjoyed a new course, Technology Mandatory. It is designed to engage students in design and production activities that encourage them to develop solutions to identified needs and opportunities. They participate in practical lessons to apply knowledge and understanding of what they have learnt in agriculture and food technologies, digital technologies and engineered systems and related technologies. The classes rotate each term to a new area, which has helped to keep them focused and engaged in learning. Year 7 have designed and grown herbs in a self watering, recyclable planter and then, to top it off, have then used the herbs they grew to make a food of their choice. I think they have made a pretty awesome start to Year 7. Some of our older years are a little jealous that Year 7 students now learn about food and are involved in some exciting new learning experiences.



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Year 7 continued to learn about *Cooking for the Mind, Body and Soul* in the Passion Project offered by the faculty. Students engage in learning about how foods can affect our bodies and experiment making recipes which reflect their findings. Our excursion to the Blue Door Cafe is enjoyed by the students, as they have the opportunity to try new and interesting foods. We would like to acknowledge Peter James, owner of Blue Door, for his continued support in our Passion Project and for the excellent learning experience he provides for our students.



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Our Stage 5 courses also have a new curriculum, which will be implemented in 2020. All faculty members have been busy attending professional development opportunities to enable them to write and deliver exciting new content in 2020. Although it has been a lot of work, we are confident our students will enjoy what our new content has to offer.

Year 8 students continued to enjoy a variety of semester courses offered in our area. Food, Global Munch and the ever popular Sweet Treats, all saw students participating in activities to enhance their learning. Activities included excursions to local food businesses and actually selling their food products in our very own school canteen. Metals, Timber and Electronics also saw the students produce quality products to showcase their individual talents. In 2020, our Year 8 students will enjoy even more options to explore.



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Year 9 electives were once again popular with our students. Classes have proven to be interested and motivated in the courses elected and have participated in the practical activities on offer. In 2020, a new curriculum will see our courses revamped with new exciting project ideas.



Year 10 students have been busy completing assessments all year to satisfy the ROSA requirements. Our early commencement Stage 5 classes in both VET Hospitality and Metals and Engineering have proven to be a huge success, with a large number of students opting to commence their HSC course in Year 10. Both classes are well into the course and are all working towards their Certificate 2.



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The achievements of our senior classes are always a highlight of our year. To see the progress they make, from the start of Year 11 to the commencement of their HSC exams, is a credit to the hardworking staff that help guide them to achieving their potential. The students' personal interest and enthusiasm for the subjects they elect is very important and this year it has been exceptional. The extra time and effort our students put into ensuring they are completing tasks and preparing for exams is a credit to them, and of course their parents, for continuing to support them throughout their schooling. We'd like to take this opportunity to wish our Year 12 students well in their HSC examinations.



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Year 12 Community and Family Studies continues to provide exceptional learning experiences for its students. They have studied different groups in society and were lucky enough to have had a couple of very special opportunities to learn about some of the groups we have been studying; people with disabilities and the aged.

Firstly, Jess Collins visited our class to talk about the accident she had in May 2018 which left her a quadriplegic. Jess represented Australian in surf lifesaving prior to the accident and to hear her story and how she has dealt with life during and after the accident is truly inspiring.

The class also visited Maroba Aged Care to have afternoon tea with some of the residents, play a game of dominoes and have a chat. Many thanks to Maroba Aged Care for having us and for organising the yummy afternoon tea.



SYDNEY GOOD FOOD AND WINE SHOW

Each year our VET Hospitality students have the opportunity to volunteer at the Sydney Food and Wine Show. This is such a valuable experience which endeavours to show them where their food skills can take them. They are three long days, involving working in shifts from 8am to 11pm, but the smiles and enthusiasm the students show are unbelievable. Working alongside celebrity chefs, learning how to work as part of a team and perfecting food presentation for paying customers, are once in a lifetime experiences (unless of course you are lucky enough to go two years in a row). To see the relationships developed between our students and the chefs is such a rewarding experience as a teacher, and to hear they give priority to our students above top notch hospitality schools, is a credit to the skills being taught by our experienced hospitality staff at Newcastle High School, in particular Ms Maddalena. The Head Chef of the food show, Andrew Ballard, was also named as the Chef of the Year, which indicates the high standards he expects from his staff. Our Year 10 and 11 Hospitality students did Newcastle High School proud once again by conducting themselves in a professional manner amongst high profile celebrities.



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EDUCATION WEEK AWARDS 2019

Ms Maddalena and her talented hospitality students also catered for the Education Week Awards in August that were held at Newcastle High School. The food looked and tasted amazing. These delicacies were produced by our Year 10 Early Commencement class and can match the standard of any catering company.



RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE

Our hospitality students also have the opportunity to cater for *Meals from the Heart* at Ronald McDonald House. It is a privilege to be associated with such a worthwhile organisation and see first hand how something so simple can be so appreciated by those going through difficult times. We value our participation in this program and look forward to it continuing in 2020.



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HSC Industrial Technology Timber Class

Our Year 12 Industrial Technology Timber class have been busily working on their major projects all year. This semester saw the completion of their hard work as external examiners came into the school to mark the final products and their folios. Congratulations to:

Matthew Campbell - Double Bed

Ben Carmody - Outdoor Dining Table

Levi Johnson - Display Case

Luke O'Donnell - Skateboard Display Cabinet

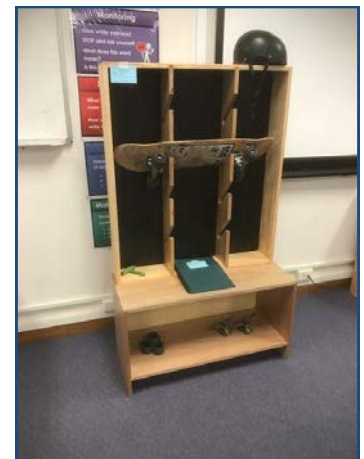
Nicholas Pace - Treasure Chest

Ian Perez Cameron - TV Cabinet

Jose Sanchez - TV Stand

Tom Stamford - Hall Table

Samuel Taylor - Display Desk

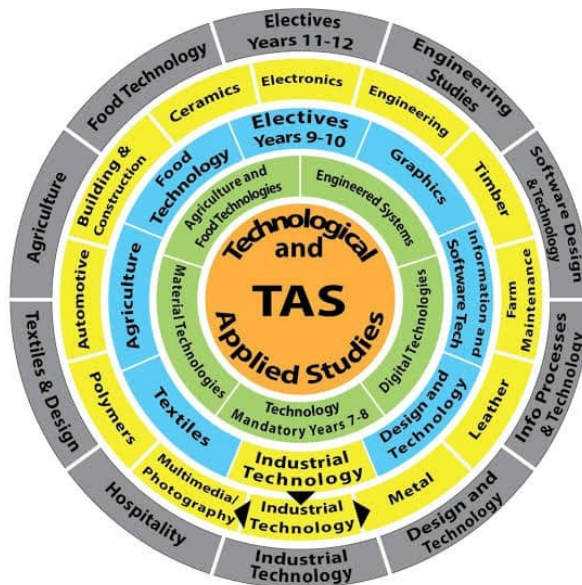


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Industrial Arts - Timber & Metal



Overall it has been a rewarding year for our faculty as we look back on what has been achieved. It is hoped next year in 2020 that the TAS faculty will continue to succeed in providing engaging educational opportunities for the students at Newcastle High School.



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Computing @ NHS

StarLAB Mars Rover Nationals Tournament

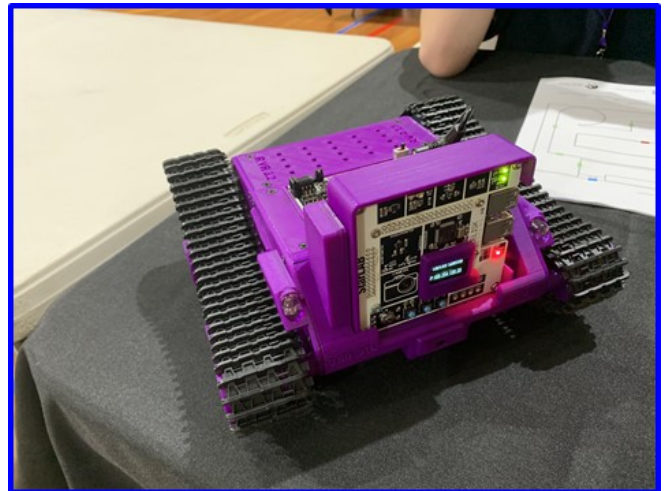
For the first time in its history, students from Newcastle High School entered the national level competition of the *StarLAB Mars Rover Challenge*. Based in the Hunter region, the *Mars Rover Challenge* has grown exponentially each year and is now a national competition with teams from all over the country competing either in person or via the internet.

Students are required to instruct their Mars Rover to navigate a difficult simulated Martian terrain through the use of collision avoidance, as well as light, pressure and humidity sensing technology. The Rover must also be able to do these tasks autonomously through the use of computer coding. Four students from Newcastle High entered this year - Oscar Wright, Oliver Cossettini, Heath Jago and Finnlay Ford-Power. The boys elected to write their program in the Python programming language and their resultant code ensured their Rover successfully navigated the entire course.

The judging is based on a series of tasks including: course navigation, design process, complexity of code, *Story of Mars* and an experiment conclusion. The Newcastle High School team managed fifth place in the competition and should be very proud of their efforts. All four members are looking forward to competing again in 2020.



Computing @ NHS



Sports Report



Congratulations notices to:

- Cooper Southam Year 10 on being selected in the Hunter opens boys cricket team.
Good luck at the CHS championships.
- All award recipients at the 2019 Sports Presentation Night.

Sponsored awards and prizes:

Premiers Sporting Challenge	Patrick Bond
Lottie Young Award	Kate Murray
Nungulliko Award	Jimarn Thomas
Junior Sportsman Award	Noah Jackson and Nicholas Watson
Junior Sportswoman Award	Erin Pettit
Senior Sportsman Award	Patrick Johansen
Senior Sportswoman Award	Gabriella Nesbitt
CHC Sportsperson of the Year Award	Aiden Sinclair
Sportsperson of the Year Award	Averil Jones



Recycling at Newcastle High



Newcastle High School needs your help to collect these items:

(Collection baskets located in the school foyer)

ACCEPTED WASTE

Air freshener aerosol cans and spray bottles

Plug-in air fresheners and refills



Dishwashing liquid bottles



Dishwasher tablet flexible packaging

Clip-on car fresheners and refills



MILK



WATER



SOFT DRINK

1 Any brand of plastic bread bag closures



2 Floss containers



3 Toothbrushes



4 Electric toothbrush heads



1 Toothpaste tubes and caps



5 Toothbrush and toothpaste tube outer packaging



Pens, felt tips, highlighters, markers

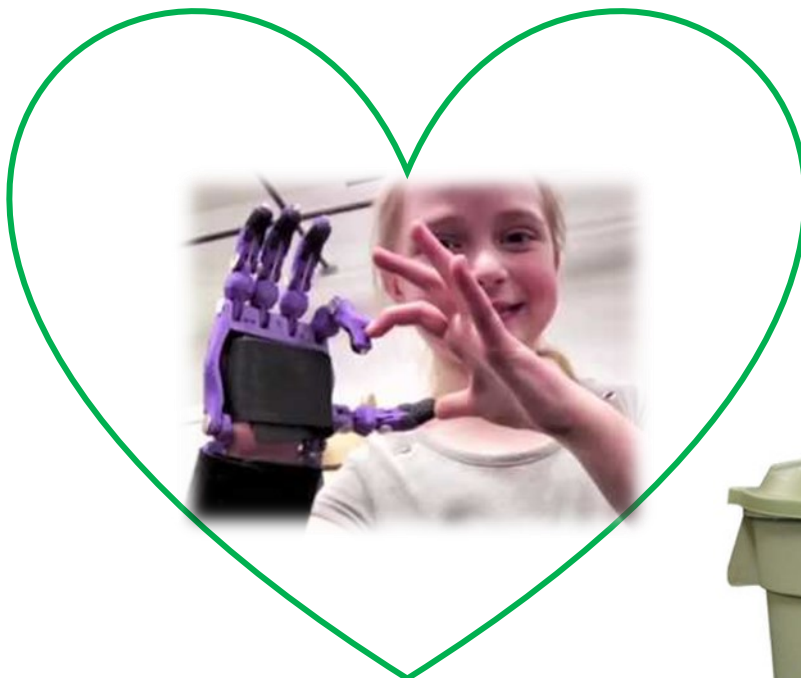


Mechanical pencils, correction tape and fluid pots, fountain pens, ink cartridges



Recycling at Newcastle High

The waste we collect is going to be recycled or upcycled into various products



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Variety - the Children's Charity NSW/ACT invites you to the

VARIETY KIDS XMAS PARTY

Thursday 28th November 2019

4pm to 8pm

at McDonald Jones Stadium, Turton Rd, Broadmeadow

Come and join the biggest party of the year!

There will be fun and entertainment galore including on stage entertainment, rides, animals, face painting, celebrities and...Santa!

Food will be provided for kids and available for adults to purchase at a low price.

For the first time this year we will be introducing a quiet hour from 3pm - 4pm. Face painting, crafts and activities will be available but numbers are strictly limited.

RSVP Thursday 14th November 2019

by searching Variety Kids Xmas Party Newcastle

Tickets will be posted to you in early November.



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LAC INFORMATION SESSION Access and Getting Started

for individuals, family members and carers

St Vincent de Paul works in partnership with the NDIS to provide the Local Area Coordination program.

The information session is an opportunity to see what we do and the support we provide.

Topics

- Understanding the NDIS
- Accessing the scheme
- What the NDIS funds
- Getting Started with a new plan
- Choosing and setting up your supports
- Finding Mainstream and Community assistance



When: First Friday of every month
9.30 am - 11.00 am

When: St Vincent de Paul LAC Office
Level 4, 1 Tudor Street, Newcastle West

RSVP: Not necessary - but if you would like more information, please contact Brenda Melling on 0435 657235

ndis.gov.au



2019 COATES HIRE NEWCASTLE 500

The 2019 Virgin Australia Supercars Championship will once again stage its final round on the streets of Newcastle East, each day from Friday 22 to Sunday 24 November.

A priority during race preparations, and the event itself, will be to facilitate access for Newcastle East residents, businesses and the general public. During the event, all residents and businesses within the event precinct will be provided with wristbands as part of the accreditation process. During the three-day event, the area within and surrounding the race circuit will only be accessible to ticket holders and those with access accreditation.

Our online accreditation portal will open from 11 September 2019. In the months leading up to the event, information on the accreditation process, access and traffic changes will be made available to the Newcastle community via email and on our website supercars.com/newcastle.

If you are **new** to Newcastle East, or would like further information, or need to raise an area of concern, please contact our Community Relations Team via email community@supercars.com or call 02 8346 2676.



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Please Support our Volunteers

The NHS Volunteers will be going to the Community Kitchen again this December to help fill Christmas hampers for homeless people and others in need. You can help too by donating much needed items to fill the hampers. Items that are needed are listed below and donations will be accepted at the front office of Newcastle High School. Your contribution will help to demonstrate the generosity of the NHS community.



REUSABLE SHOPPING BAGS

TINNED FOOD

PACKET FOOD

CHRISTMAS FOODS

LONG LIFE ITEMS

TOILETRIES

SMALL GIFTS



For further information, please contact Mrs Glenyce Oswald in the English Faculty, or you can reach the community kitchen directly via the information below:

Jennifer Burns

The Community Kitchen Coordinator

178 Glebe Rd, or P O Box 3376

Merewether 2291. NSW

minister.merewetheruca@gmail.com

mob: 0411 133 679

CHRISTMAS 2019 SCHOOL HOUSES

As part of the local charity LIVEfree Project, Broken and Restored raises funds by creating and selling products handmade locally from reclaimed timber. This year, our Christmas houses range are beautiful personalised timber school houses. They have been created from timber sourced in Newcastle and the Hunter Valley, and are made to order – you choose the colour, style, and name!

Each house is \$15 each, and of this, \$5 will be paid back directly to the school of your choice. All additional proceeds will be used by LIVEfree Project and the work they directly do in the local schools – including running mentoring programs, breakfasts, dental programs, and resilience training.

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Orders close: Fri 15 Nov
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KEY DATES

Summer Holiday School	21 - 23 Jan
Term 1, 2019	29 Jan - 12 Apr
Term 2, 2019	29 Apr - 5 Jul
Winter Holiday School	15 - 18 Jul
Term 3, 2019	22 Jul - 27 Sep
Spring Holiday School	7 - 10 Oct
Term 4, 2019	14 Oct - 13 Dec

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Stall Holders Wanted

Young Entrepreneurs and Artisans Marketplace Christmas Twilight Market

An opportunity for young people aged 12-24yrs old to showcase and sell handmade, handcrafted, up cycled and entertainment skills

When: Saturday 30th November 3pm-7pm

Where: Hunter Multicultural Community Hall, 2a Platt St Waratah

Cost: \$10 per stall

Contact us via our email young.artisan.marketplace@outlook.com
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Cooks Hill Campus is an annex to Newcastle High School. It uses personalised project based learning, working collaboratively with Big Picture Education to support students in years 9-12. If you would like additional information about our innovative campus or just to keep up to date on current events, you can find us at:

<http://www.cookshill-s.schools.nsw.edu.au/>

Or like our facebook page: Cooks Hill Campus. Our Campus newsletter (TGIF) is available on both locations.

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