

# Top of the Hill

Newsletter of Duval High School



## ATHLETICS CARNIVAL SUCSESSES

Duval's annual Athletics Carnival was held last Thursday, 3 May, on a day full of competitiveness, encouragement, and respect.

2018 Athletics Carnival House Champion			
Walker	1028	McIntyre	966
Crane	907	Gardner	899

Special congratulations to Marvin Palad (Year 10) and Oliver Freeman (Year 7) for their school-record performances.



Marvin set new school records in both the Boys 16yr 100m with a time of 0.11.43, breaking the previous record of 0.11.79, and the 200m with a time of 0.23.72, breaking the previous record of 0.23.75.



Oliver set a new school record in the Boys 13yr 200m with a time of 0.26.22, breaking the previous record of

0.26.63.



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### DATES FOR THE DIARY

- ♦ 11 May UNE Open Day 9.00am
- ♦ 14 May Book Fair 11.30am
- ♦ 15 May NAPLAN 9.00am
- ♦ 16 May NAPLAN 9.00am
- ♦ 16 May Tamworth Careers Expo 8.15am
- ♦ 17 May NAPLAN 9.00am
- ♦ 18 May NAPLAN Catch Up
- ♦ 18 May Michael Kirby Lecture UNE 10.30am
- ♦ 23 May Armidale Eisteddfod 9.00am
- ♦ 30 May Year 6 into Year 7 Information Evening



What should the Core  
Expectations be for  
the new School?

CORNER

PBL

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Duval High School Parents & Citizens Association.

## PRINCIPAL'S NEWS



What an excellent Athletics Carnival that was! Fabulous weather, a great turnout, and extremely high levels of participation made for a top carnival, in which a number of long-standing records were broken.

My thanks to Mr Model and his team for coordinating the day, the staff for their whole-hearted support of the event and the students for their enthusiasm and school representation. Once again, they displayed our PBL Expectations of Community, Respect, Excellence, Safety and Teamwork.

On that note, I hope all students and parents/carers have taken the opportunity to vote for the top five Core PBL Expectations of the Combined school! You can find the Google Link on our website at <http://www.duval-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/news/core-expectations>

Last week the Member for Northern Tablelands, Adam Marshall, officially announced the name of the future school as approved by the NSW Minister for Education, Rob Stokes. The new school will be called Armidale Secondary College. This is the result of a long and complex process, in which the members of the Armidale community have been closely involved. We are very pleased with the new name, and look forward to the ongoing process of development as we prepare for the opening of the school in 2021.

On Thursday, I attended a presentation for the selection panel of the logo for the new school. Three companies, all with strong local connections, had been shortlisted to present their take on the design planning brief, and I was impressed with their professionalism and insight. The selection Panel will work through the final process over the next couple of months, and the final logo should be known by the end of this term. Similarly, sample uniform options should be available for student input before the end of term, so that final uniform packages can be made available to local suppliers before the end of the year.

Meanwhile, a brief update on the progress of construction of the temporary buildings on the Duval campus – construction of Stage 1a of the buildings (the Support Unit and attendant

buildings) has been set back by approximately six weeks due to a miscommunication between the builders and the architects. However, the construction team have stepped up the pace of work on the other sections of the site to make up for this, and the project is still expected to be completed on schedule during Semester 2 this year.

Students from the current Armidale campus Support Unit will commence transition and familiarisation activities at the school in the next couple of weeks regardless of the delay. I want to thank all of the Support staff from both campuses for their hard work in ensuring that the transition for these, our most vulnerable students, goes ahead as smoothly and seamlessly as possible.

Our goal remains to keep everyone in the community updated with the progress of the build(s) through the future drop-in sessions we will be holding, our websites (<https://armidalefutureschool.com.au/> and <http://www.duval-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/>), regular emails, and posts on the Duval High School and Armidale High School Facebook pages.

**Stafford Cameron**  
**Principal**

## YEAR 10 WORK EXPERIENCE

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> June - Friday 8<sup>th</sup> June, 2018**

Work experience is organised with the purpose of assisting students to gain skills and knowledge in an occupation or industry of their choice. It is an opportunity for students to develop work related skills and form networks within our local community.

**All forms need to be returned to the school as soon as possible.**

You can access further information and documents on our careers website

<http://www.duvalcareers.com/work-experience.html>

**Lana Hardman**  
**Careers Adviser**



## DEPUTY PRINCIPALS DESK



Welcome back to term 2.

I hope everyone has had a great 2 weeks away from school and has returned ready to resume positive relationships with both our terrific staff, and other students in every area of our school.

As the weather gets colder please remember only school uniform jumpers and jackets are acceptable at school. If you have any issues with obtaining pieces of the uniform, please contact the school for assistance. We are always happy to support our students in wearing the correct uniform.

We ended last term with a series of great presentations from Kirra at Safe On Social, we always love working with her to make our school a safer place for everyone.



The below information comes from Safe and Social. Please see this as an opportunity to talk openly with your family about being cyber safe and the steps we can all take to feel safe on the internet.

### Why cyberbullies cyberbully

- For fun, or because they are bored,
- They feel powerless or frustrated and through cyberbullying, they can get attention or vent their anger,
- To model other's behaviour, they see others doing it,
- Peer pressure,
- To maintain popularity,
- Having being bullied themselves, they are seeking justice,

### And the internet facilitates bullying because

- Being anonymous frees normal inhibitions and people feel they can say anything *without consequence*.
- People cannot see the hurt they cause, which reduces their empathy.
- Strangers cast opinions with no personal knowledge, or connections and no empathy

with the person they are attacking.

- Posts online can be shared to 1000's and re-shared with long-lasting and ongoing effects.
- Bullies can now access their victims 24/7, allowing victims no escape and even when off social media personal texts can still reach them.

**How children cyberbully** (eSafety and Yourtown <https://www.yourtown.com.au/combating-cyberbullies>)

- Social exclusion – excluding a victim from online group,
- Outing and trickery – a victim is manipulated into revealing information that the bully then publicizes,
- Spreading lies and rumours,
- Harassment – through repeatedly sending messages to targets,
- Cyberstalking – when harassment creates significant fear for personal safety in the victim,
- Denigration – through words or images (sexual and non-sexual),
- Impersonation and masquerading – the bully pretends to be the victim. Twenty percent of complaints the eSafety commissioner receives relate to the creation of fake accounts.
- Happy slapping – filming a physical assault and then distributing this on social media.

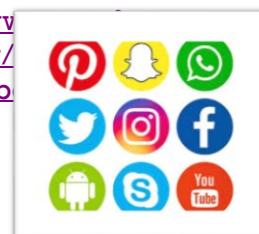


**Please know that people take cyber-bullying seriously and that you will be taken seriously.**

The Australian Government has just committed \$125 million to improving cyber-relationships.

If you are bullied on-line, let us, your school know and let the police know. There are legal avenues that can be taken to stop cyberbullying. Contact the safety commission to report it

<https://www.esafety.gov.au/complaints-and-reporting/report-cyb>



**Susan Hoddinott  
Deputy Principal**



## NAPLAN 2018 IS NEXT WEEK

Parents and caregivers of students in years 7 and 9 would be aware that their students will sit the NAPLAN tests this year.

All parents and caregivers should have received a letter outlining the details of these tests.

NAPLAN Testing will take place over three days at Duval High School for all students in Years 7 and 9:

**Tuesday 15th May, Wednesday 16th May  
Thursday 17th May and Friday 18th May will be a make-up day for students who have been absent and missed a test.**

As per the Duval High School PBL values of Community, Respect, Excellence, Safety and Teamwork the staff at school will be supporting students to do their best in these tests in order to gain relevant and consistent information to enable the best teaching of your students.

All students in years 7 and 9 will sit the test. Access to disability adjustments or exemption from the tests must be discussed with the school principal and a parent or carer consent form must be signed.

Exemption forms are available from Mrs Holmes in the Maths staffroom. Please do not hesitate to contact the school if you have any concerns.

For more information please visit:

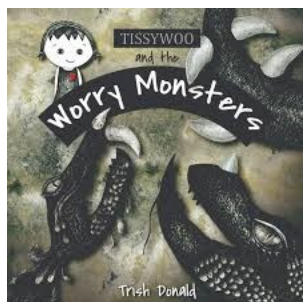
<https://www.nap.edu.au/naplan/parent-carer-support>

## TRISH DONALD WORKSHOPS



Duval's Year 7 English classes enjoyed hosting a visit by local graphic designer and author, Trish Donald, in late Term 1.

Trish's book *TissyWoo and the Worry Monsters* was published in February.



During each of the four sessions, students were encouraged to illustrate and develop their own story ideas. Trish complemented our students' energy and imagination, and hopes to return for further workshops.



## 2018 ANZAC DAY REMEMBRANCE

Representatives of Duval High School attended



Armidale's ANZAC Day Remembrance Ceremony in Central Park on 25 April 2018 to pay tribute to the brave ANZACS who gave their lives for us all. We will remember and honour your selfless sacrifice.



## 2018 ATHLETICS CARNIVAL AGE CHAMPIONS

### Open



Isabelle Winter

Jaia Richardson-  
Fowell

### 16 Years

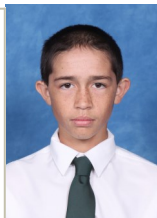


Sateeva Boney



Declan Rich

### 14 Years

Grace  
PetrovShaquille  
PhilpPatricia  
DixonRohan  
Lawrence

### 15 Years

### U13

Kharlie  
Ponsaing

### U13

Callam  
Lawrence

### U16

Georgina  
Livermore

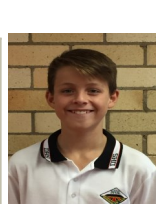
### U14

Lydia  
Byerlee

### 13 Years



Molly Evans

Oliver  
FreemanChloe  
Petrov

Riley Dowd

### 12 Years

### U17

Mitchell  
Styles

### U12

Haylei  
Moore-  
Douglass

### U16



Liam Lamb

### U13

Braith  
Kliendienst

## NSW PUBLIC SCHOOLS STATE DANCE ENSEMBLES

Congratulations to Dustin Cooper who has been selected to be in the **NSW Public Schools State Dance Ensembles**.

Being part of this ensemble, means that Dustin will be performing at the State Dance Festival at the Seymour Centre, 10-14 September as well as Schools Spectacular at Qudos Bank Area, 19-24 November.



## ATHLETICS CARNIVAL POWER PLAY WINNERS

Congratulation to Athletics Carnival Power Play winners.

As a reward for participating, Power Play winners received cinema tickets. We hope you enjoyed your movie reward.

2018 Athletics Carnival Power Play Winners were:



2018 ATHLETICS CARNIVAL







**NWRCCE**  
Northwest Regional Careers Expo  
*Dream · Believe · Achieve*

**16 May 2018**



Rotary Club of Tamworth First Light

You're invited to the

# BREAKFAST CLUB

8:20 am - 8:50 am  
Monday Tuesday Wednesday  
Friday

Staff Common Room  
- enter via the stairs near the canteen.



**2018**

## ARMIDALE RECONCILIATION BRIDGE WALK

**Sunday May 27 at 12 noon**

Meet near Stephens Bridge in the car park next to the  
Information Centre, at the Corner Marsh & Dumaresq Streets  
*Bring a picnic - tea, coffee, BBQ provided*

Local function in recognition of  
Sorry Day and National Reconciliation Week



**Everyone welcome**

*Walk the bridge, chat with friends, listen to speeches & music*

**Organised by Armidale ANTaR  
Australians for Native Title and Reconciliation**

## POWER HOUR

### Tuesday after school @ Duval High library

Students are encouraged to visit the library on **Tuesdays from 3.35 to 4.35** to get extra support completing homework, assignments or help with understanding what they are learning in their classes. A teacher will always be available to support and assist students.

Students will have access to computers, laptops, printers and the internet.

Our study centre provides a secure, supervised learning environment in a space where staff can assist students in managing their homework, assignments and learning needs.

All students are welcome.

Afternoon tea from 3.25 to 3.45.

The school bus will drive people home who live within the town boundary.





**une**  
University of  
New England

# Open Day

## Friday 11 May 2018

UNE Open Day gives you the chance to explore UNE and find out everything you need to know about studying at university. Every year, we hold information sessions, individual course advice, tours of the academic campus and colleges, live demonstrations, free food and activities.

Open Day runs from 7:30am - 2:30pm, starting at the residential colleges at 7:30am, where you can tour the residences and meet current students to chat about college life.

**Academic course advice is available from 9:00am - 2:30pm**, with tours of academic areas, and course advice information sessions running between 9:30am and 1:30pm, so there's plenty of time to explore, talk to course advisors, and get a taste of university life.

When you arrive, don't forget to register to receive your free Open Day Kit, morning tea, and lunch voucher.

If you can't make it to Open Day this year, don't worry - you can still book a free campus tour.

[ABOUT THE DAY](#) [CAMPUS TOURS](#) [CONTACT US](#)



**2018**

**Armidale City  
Public School**

# Mother's Day Fete

**Saturday  
May 12  
9.00am - 2.00pm**

For over 30 years this enormously fun day has been a major fundraiser for the school, providing funds for much-needed training resources and infrastructure for our students.

The success of this event is dependent on the continued generosity of the Armidale community and we would really love it if the Armidale Community could attend.

For further information please contact the school on 6772 3420.





## YOUTH ACTION: ARMIDALE YOUNG SOCIAL ENTREPRENEUR'S CONFERENCE: REGISTER NOW

Published On May 4, 2018 | By Luke | *News, Opportunities and Events*

Youth Action has partnered with Armidale Regional Council and The Frank Team to run Armidale's first Young Social Entrepreneur's Conference, a 1-day event for young people in Armidale to learn how to make a lasting change in their community. They'll work in teams to develop a practical social business idea for Armidale and pitch their plan to a panel of judges.

**Registrations are now open!**

### EVENT DETAILS

**When:** 24 May 2018, 9:30am-3pm

**Where:** Armidale Town Hall (127 Rusden St)

**Who:** Anyone aged 12-25

**Cost:** FREE – (Morning tea and lunch provided)

This conference is for any young person who is interested in making Armidale a better place. It's a unique opportunity to learn practical skills, be inspired to make social change using entrepreneurial ideas, and hear from successful entrepreneurs in Armidale.

Over the day the participants will:

- Be inspired to create social change with entrepreneurial ideas
- Develop practical skills in business, marketing, and entrepreneurship
- Learn communication, problem-solving skills in a hands-on, team environment
- Hear from local entrepreneurs that have built real businesses in Armidale
- Connect with organisations (like UNE) that want to support young people in Armidale
- See entrepreneurship as a potential career path.

Registration closes **Friday 18 May 2018**.

Want more information? If you have any questions, email [info@youthaction.org.au](mailto:info@youthaction.org.au) or call Jake or Annie on 8354 3700.

Youth Action

<http://www.youthaction.org.au/>

## COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD



THE CAPSTONE EDITING

Textbook Grant  
for Undergraduates

A \$3,000 grant for one undergrad to cover the cost of their textbooks for the duration of their degree. (The recipient receives one \$1,000 gift voucher per year for 3 years.)

Applications are open all year.  
The grant will be awarded on 1 February every year.

For more info or to apply, please visit  
[capstoneediting.com.au/textbook-grant](http://capstoneediting.com.au/textbook-grant).



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## Casual Work

## School Crossing Supervisors – Work with your Community

1x Casual Position - Armidale LGA (000064XS)

An important person in a child's school life is the School Crossing Supervisor, who ensures they cross the road safely. The role requires minimal hours out of your day and gives something worthwhile back to the community.

The hours are usually 8.00am to 9.30am and/or 2.30pm to 4.00pm Monday to Friday during school terms. The base rate is \$22.46 - \$26.95 per hour.

All the qualifications you need are community spirit, good communication skills, an alert and professional attitude to work and a reliable personality. The casual hours and school holidays would suit a parent or grandparent, a retiree or anyone wanting meaningful work — but not full-time.

Training for your key responsibilities of directing traffic to stop at the designated crossing and giving clear instructions to infants and primary school students to cross the road safely, will be provided. You may be required to attend a health assessment. Appointment is subject to a Working with Children Check clearance.

Roads and Maritime Services is an equal opportunity employer.

For further information on this exciting opportunity please call 1300 305 855 or go to [iworkfor.nsw.gov.au](http://iworkfor.nsw.gov.au).



Transport  
Roads & Maritime  
Services

## New England Conservatorium of Music

JUNIOR ORCHESTRA WORKSHOP  
Wed 4 & Thurs 5 July 2018

The Workshop is open to students in Years 3-9 who can read music and have at least 12 months experience playing one of the following instruments:

Violin, viola, cello, double bass, harp

Trumpet, trombone, French horn, tuba

Flute, oboe, clarinet, bassoon, saxophone

Orchestral percussion (pianists may apply)

Book Online: [www.trybooking.com/VQTI](http://www.trybooking.com/VQTI)

For more information:

Web: [www.necom.org.au](http://www.necom.org.au)

Tel: 02 6788 2135 Email: [admin@necom.org.au](mailto:admin@necom.org.au)

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