

A close-up photograph of two young people smiling. The person on the left has red hair and is wearing a brown steampunk-style hat with gold gears and a red shirt with a black tie. The person on the right has dark curly hair and is wearing a black lace mask over their eyes and a white ruffled collar. The background is blurred with warm, bokeh lights.

JESMOND SENIOR CAMPUS NEWS

Term Four 2022

2022 wrap up
Congratulations Yr 12
Transition highlights
Faculty farewells



Principal's Agenda

Mr James Ostermann

Welcome to our final newsletter for 2022. I know we seem to say this every year, but it is unbelievable just how fast the year has gone!

We have had another fantastic year at Jesmond Senior Campus, and I am so proud to have had the opportunity to be Principal of our campus this year. At this point in the year, we are all very busy with starting the 2023 HSC courses, assessments and finishing up planning for the 2023 academic year and very much looking forward to a holiday.

This year, while starting with a few challenges remaining from the past, it has been great to have all staff and students onsite for a full year. It is something that I know through feedback and conversations that everyone was looking forward to.

We have had an amazing transition program throughout this year and are very fortunate to have such a close relationship with our Wallsend and Waratah campuses, enabling this program to be seamless and so positive for our junior students maturing into senior study. I am looking forward to working with all of our Yr 11 families in 2023, including the new families we will be welcoming to our College.

Last month we held our Year 12 Formal at the City of Newcastle's Town Hall and we had a very special evening. The students who attended had a great time and it was fantastic to share this moment with our community. The Town Hall staff commented on the behaviour of the students and said that they are always happy to have our College at their venue. I would like to acknowledge the work of Mrs Scott and Ms Jones in the organisation of the evening.

We are now looking forward to the end of December and the release of the HSC results. Good luck Year 12 2022!

By the time you read this newsletter we have also had our Annual Year 11 Presentation Assembly and Honour Roll Breakfast. We have had a lot to celebrate in 2022.

We are currently working through some major infrastructure work. This includes a new building and relocation for our General Assistant and an additional class in our Special Education Faculty.

There are several staff who have been successful in attaining merit selection positions. I would like to extend my congratulations and warmest wishes to Lauren Clysdale - Head Teacher HSIE at Mount View HS, Reece Fellas - HSIE teacher at Kotara HS and Lauren Dunn - Hunter Aboriginal Attendance Officer. Jen Pickard will also be leaving us for 12 months as she takes on a classroom position at Lightning Ridge Central School. Each of these teachers have left a wonderful legacy as committed and passionate educators.

Finally, as the last newsletter for the year, I would like to wish our entire community a very happy Christmas and restful break. See you all in 2023.

James Ostermann
Principal, Jesmond Senior Campus



Across the College

Mr Roger Macey, College Principal



What a year for Callaghan!

This time of year we celebrate the efforts and commitment to learning of our students, with each campus holding their end of year award ceremonies. It was good to welcome families back to enjoy these celebrations in person again.

The annual celebrations culminate in the Year 12 Formal Assembly and Farewell events, and Callaghan's staff are always excited to hear from our Alumni on what paths our students take.

I am very pleased to announce that a large number of our 2022 Year 12 cohort have already received offers to universities, ahead of ATAR results this week. We also have a significant number of students who have been snapped up for apprenticeships and traineeships with local firms, often the result of their solid efforts during VET and SBAT courses completed at Jesmond.

Thank you to the local businesses who continue to support our young people get their first break in the workplace.

Transition programs for 2023 students were incredibly successful this year, with Year 6 attending Waratah and Wallsend campuses for orientation day on 29 November; and Year 10 students enjoyed two weeks of Senior classes at Jesmond Senior Campus. It was striking how engaged and excited most of the students are to be commencing their next stage of learning, and the number of students with clear future goals.

On behalf of the Executive team, I would like to acknowledge the efforts of our teaching and support staff throughout the year - who commit each day to make a difference to our students' learning journey.

I wish you all a wonderful break, and a merry festive season with your family and friends. On behalf of the staff at Callaghan, we look forward to seeing all our students back in 2023 after a well earned break.

Celebrating excellence across the College

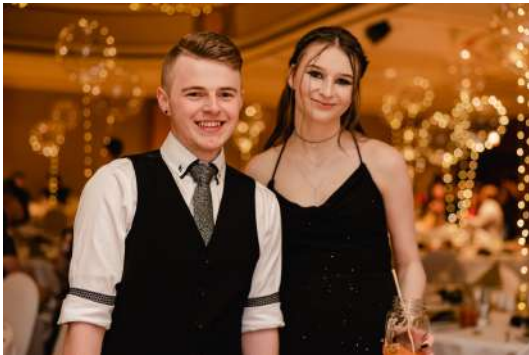
To see more of our Award recipients, please go to our campus facebook pages.



Year 12 Formal



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Farewell Year 12

Deputy's update

The year of 2022 has almost come to an end. We have had the great pleasure in witnessing the students realisation of a life that has placed the HSC and all that goes with it, firmly behind them. Whatever path these students take, they can rest assured that wherever they are now in terms of their education and experience, is the right time and place for them. The world is full of opportunities and great things await those who are bold enough to try.

There have also been some fantastic displays of friendship, belonging, and connection, as witnessed on a fantastic night at the formal at Newcastle Town Hall. I would like to make a special mention of the tireless work put in by Mrs Scott, Miss Jones, and Mr Fairweather, the students, SRF members, administration staff and teachers, who supported this fantastic night in one way or another. It truly was an amazing night and one that Year 12 will remember for a lifetime.

Year 12 the world is now in your hands. I want to point out two characteristics that are going to make a difference to you in pursuit of your dreams.

1. Display Grit in everything you do. When the excitement and lustre fades in any task, it is Grit that keeps you moving towards your goal; and
2. Always strive to demonstrate agency. This means that you take responsibility and control of your thoughts and actions at all times. This will become a defining feature of your character.



To Year 12, the teachers, the administration staff, and the senior executive, and all who have given their time and effort to make 2022 a most memorable year, I extend my gratitude and thanks for your support at every step along the way.

I will leave you with a quote about time. The most elusive and relative concept that you will encounter on this journey called life:

"You will never find time for anything. You must make it" – Charles Buxton.

So now is the time, yesterday is in the past, and tomorrow is ahead of you. Be the best at whatever you can be and don't waste a second. Life speeds up as you get older and there is nothing that makes you older than the thought of regret. Embrace the challenges that come your way, be courageous, and be kind to the world.

If you do these things, you will be well placed in carving out a successful life with fulfillment and happiness at its core. Stay safe and enjoy the journey.

Mr Cale Wallace
Deputy Principal, Year 12



2023 Year 12 kick off

Deputy's update



Term 4 always contains so many happy endings and so many new beginnings.

We have said goodbye to our outgoing year 12s, wishing them the best at their graduation and seeing them dressed in their finery at the formal.

We had our Year 11 presentation celebrating the success of so many of our fantastic students. We have also inducted our new school leaders and look forward to working with them as they promote a school culture of excellence and achievement.

The start of the HSC journey for our new Year 12 students, saw them participate in two days of a learning conference, where presenters from a number of external agencies talked to them about strategies and opportunities for their further academic success and maintaining their wellbeing in an often difficult year.

They also enjoyed a number of fun team building activities and a fantastic lunch provided by the Home Economics faculty.

As the term and year moves to close, we still have our Honour Roll Breakfast to celebrate with our parents and students and an exciting adventure filled day while on excursion at Raging Waters in Sydney.

Many of our teachers have also been participating in research based professional learning, to further improve the academic achievement of our students in the HSC.

None of this happens without a lot of hard work from everyone involved, including our students, teachers, support staff and parents. As such, I want thank everyone for the support and hard work and take the opportunity to wish everyone a wonderful Christmas and safe and happy holiday.

We look forward to working with parents and students in the New year.

Mrs Sara Pendergast
Deputy Principal, Year 11

HSC Learning conference

2023 HSC students: two days in October to prepare our new Year 12 cohort for the HSC year. Tips on study techniques; the importance of balance and maintaining wellbeing; understanding NESA requirements; and much more. Thank you to our experienced staff and invited external educators for sharing such invaluable information to kickstart the HSC year with our students.



Out and about

Music and Music Industry students are collaborating with Hunter River High students



Students on the job helping out our neighbour primary school, Heaton, with some new bag hooks.



Jesmond student work on display at Jessmond Shopping Centre



Hands on excursion with local Architect firm, Shaq. Below: Preparing for 2023 HSC conference



Out and about

Geography Excursion in December to Barangaroo to investigate Urban Processes and the revitalisation of the city



Arman Zolfaghari, who has just completed his HSC at Jesmond, was awarded a Hunter Blue for Volleyball. He also received the coveted Blues Committee Award recognising his outstanding commitment to sport.

Waratah's Deputy Principal, Michelle Maher also received a life membership of Hunter SSSA for contributions to School Sport over a 15 year period, as PDHPE teacher, HT, DP promoting physical activity and sporting opportunity at school, zone, regional and state level. Congratulations to both Arman and Mrs Maher for these outstanding awards.

Honour Roll Breakfast recognising high achieving students who have demonstrated their commitment to HSC throughout Year 11.



Our campus hosted the Combined Schools Special Education Concert in the Auditorium in October. Several visiting schools performed in front of a very appreciative audience. The students had a great time performing, including a flash dance mob with all the audience joining in to "We will rock you."



Students and staff attending a performance at the Sydney Opera House of 'I New Then' by the Australian Ballet Company in November. It was a day of firsts for many of those who attended. First time in Sydney; to cross the Harbour Bridge; to see the Opera House; to go to the ballet. Everyone represented our school beautifully and enjoyed the contemporary dance performance. Special Education, Rhonda Elsley

Faculty Updates

PDHPE

CAFS are currently understanding the processes involved in producing their Independent Research Project.

PDHPE have been learning the importance of health data and how organisations utilise this data to promote and advocate for specific health priorities.

SLR have been developing their skills in badminton and volleyball. Learning fundamental skills and progressing to competitive games has lifted student performance.

Sports Coaching III students are working on an event that facilitates inclusion of students with a disability. Students are working with our partner schools as well as Jesmond Special Education students to develop specific sessions that suit the needs of individual students.

We wish Ms Pickard all the best in her 12-month secondment to bring her valued experience to remote NSW students and staff.

To one and all, hoping that everyone has a safe and cheerful holiday period and look forward to your return in 2023.

Science

As we wait with great expectations for the HSC results to arrive, the focus has shifted to the start of the HSC journey for the class of 2023. Most of these classes have completed their first assessment task and are looking forward to the holidays to recharge and prepare for next year. At the same time the 2023 Year 11 cohort have just finished their two weeks of transition. For Science students, this involved a range of different practical tasks, including determining the heat of combustion of alcohols, looking at disease transmission, pendulums and creating edible soil profiles. Thank you to all the students, parents/carers and teachers for another fantastic year. Please stay safe over the holidays and take this time to prepare for 2023 learning!

Industrial Arts / Computing

This term excellent progress has been achieved with our new Year 12 classes across our broad range of courses. Our Graphics students have performed particularly well and were rewarded with a visit to Shaq Architecture and a view into a possible future profession.

A measure of success not celebrated enough has been the number of VET students that have been snapped up by Industry for apprenticeships and traineeships. Congratulations to all those who have gone down this pathway and good luck in the future.

Finally, best wishes to our graduating HSC students. To all our students and their supporters at home, the staff of the IA department wish you a happy and safe holiday. Take care and we will see you next year.

HSIE

Our new Year 12 students are well into their HSC. The first topics and assessment tasks in all courses are underway. In Week 8, the visual merchandising displays constructed by the VET Retail students were outstanding.

In the Histories courses, we were very fortunate to host renowned Historian Dr Denis Mootz as he presented on maximising senior written responses. Similarly, the Geography students will also be undertaking some collaborative learning through a field study on Urban Dynamics in Sydney.

Weeks 7 and 8 saw our faculty host a large variety of 'taster' lessons for students from the junior campuses. All classes have enjoyed samples of content from the senior courses, with staff and students learning a lot about each other.

Finally, HSIE wishes all our families a safe and relaxing break and we look forward to your return in 2023.

Maths

Some highlights from another outstanding year. Assessment Tasks for both Year 11 & Year 12 completed in the School Auditorium – the first time since COVID began we have run 'whole cohort' tasks in this great space.

Year 11 students research task with students compiling information from websites and converting this into useable data – a great 21st Century skill. Advanced and Extension students completed presentations. From Minecraft Worlds to News Reports and students producing their own YouTube channels – presentation skills have improved markedly.

In November we participated with other College staff in a Numeracy Workshop – we have plans to improve understanding of this important topic.

Year 10 transition including Authentic Assessment, followed by our 2 week transition program – allowed 2023 Year 11 students to be more aware of their chosen pathway, and refine selections.

2023 Year 12 are completing their first HSC Assessment Task – best wishes to all and remember, it is the first of 4, so you have more chances to improve.

We wish our 2022 Year 12 students well – results come out next week.

Special Ed

I would like to thank all our teachers, SLSO's and support staff that have worked tirelessly throughout 2022. The amazing programs and opportunities made available to our students would not be possible without all their effort and commitment.

On behalf of all the staff I would like to congratulate Special Education Year 12 2022. This can be a sad and emotional time for all involved, however I feel that the students have the right commitment and support to take the next big step in their future. It was a pleasure to celebrate at their Graduation dinner and we wish you all the best for your future, whatever that may be.

Faculty Updates

Home Economics

The commencement of the HSC year is a critical time across the home Economics faculty.

Textiles and Design students are commencing their major works. They are discovering the process of design and applying the skills that they already acquired to their final product. Term 4 is critical to success through being organised and focused on the end product.

Exploring Early Childhood have been creating nutritional foods for young children. Recognising the value in healthy diets for children of a young age and how important it is for growing bodies. In Food Technology, our food technologists have almost completed their first HSC module: The Australian Food Industry and have successfully submitted their first assessment task.

Hospitality students now begin to refine the skills which were developed in the first 3 terms of the year. We investigate a broad range of cookery methods in Kitchen operations and look at what good customer service is in Food and Beverage.

KEY HSC DATES

28 April: 2023 HSC written examination timetable released.

11 Oct: HSC written exams start

English

The English faculty would like to wish all our students and their families a beautiful Christmas and happy new year.

I would like to acknowledge our wonderful departing Year 12s and wish them all the best for their futures. We will miss their passion, sense of humour and determination to succeed. We are confident that they will contribute actively to their communities and be valued citizens of the world.

Our new Year 12 students have hit the ground running this term. All courses began their HSC course this term with the Common Module Text and Human Experiences which involved them designing a multimodal presentation. Our Extension 2 students recently attended a whole day incursion to deepen their awareness of the requirements of this academically challenging course.

This year we have introduced a lunchtime mentoring program to further assist English Standard students' academic success.

Thanks to Mrs Morgan for her ongoing organisation of Lions Youth of the Year Competition, and congratulations to Evelyn Parkes who came first and will move on in the competition.

Finally, we enjoyed meeting our new Year 11's this term and had some fun introducing them to the rigours of HSC English courses. We look forward to the opportunity for much learning success in 2023.

CAPA

Entertainment Industry and Music Industry students ran the lights, audio, staging and vision for a Music Concert at Waratah Campus.

The 'Kaleidoscope' exhibition was on earlier in the term at Jesmond Central Shopping Centre which featured posters of student work from our practical subjects.

Tahlia Eckert of Year 12 visual arts has been accepted into the HSC Intensive Studio Practice which will see her refine and hone her skills with industry professionals. The project attracted over 300 applicants this year, and Tahlia will thrive in this wonderful opportunity.

Music and Music Industry students are collaborating with Hunter River High students in recording projects as well as other learning opportunities together.

Year 12 Drama students have delivered their first performance assessment, showcasing some amazing talent and the beginnings of some incredible major works.

Photography students have been experimenting with stop motion, working together to create a music video using Rotoscoping.

Some fantastic cartooning and illustration work taking place in visual design, and dance students are completing self-assessment of their performance work.

A very busy, VERY creative and productive term in CAPA!

SPORT UPDATE: YEAR 11 AWARDS

Recently the Year 11 students were presented with sports awards at the end of year presentation day.

Sportsperson of the Year: Thomas Karnaghan

Hunter Representatives included: Thomas Karnaghan- baseball and cricket; Riley O'Loughlin- baseball; Jackson Frame- baseball and softball; Josh Dollin- athletics (triple jump); Sophie Urane- athletics (high jump) and cross country; Costant Muzingu- cross country; Ruby Duff- volleyball; Georgia Baldin-Stuart- volleyball; Labella Ravenau- volleyball; Maison King- football; Jacob Thompson- swimming; Kinnan Newham- swimming; Byron Waddell- cross country.

Sports Team of the Year Open Boys Rugby League Team

Premiers Sporting Challenge Award: Bailey Newton and Brooklyn Kilsby.

Thomas Karnaghan has been selected in the Hunter Region baseball team again and will compete early 2023. Jackson Frame has been selected in both the Hunter Region softball and baseball teams competing in early 2023.

We had two 2022 graduating students awarded Hunter Blues awards this year at the recent Hunter Awards Ceremony: Zali Chippendale for touch football and Arman Zolfaghari for volleyball. Arman also received a special award for his overall commitment.

Aboriginal learning team highlights

Over the last few months our Aboriginal students have been involved in numerous activities and opportunities.

- **NRL School to Work:** in June, our students were invited to Murrook Cultural Centre to meet some of the School to Work stakeholder partners, who offer career and educational opportunities for our future Indigenous leaders.
- **Awabakal Leadership camp in partnership with NIB,** in October selected kids took part. The program aims to help Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students develop their self-worth, self-confidence, cultural identity, feeling of well-being, and academic potential.
- **Nelson Bay Dolphin Cruise** in November, the Aboriginal Education Team organised a trip as a reward for all the hard effort our Year 11 students have put into their studies and achievements over the year.
- **Wetlands Dance Performance:** Callaghan College Jesmond Aboriginal dance group were invited alongside Plattsburg Primary School to open Local AECC gathering at the Shortland Wetlands.
- **Ma and Morley Gala** this month Aboriginal students, Abby Newlin, Breanna McClean and Haylee Mills, who are all recipients of the Ma and Morley Scholarship at University of Newcastle gathered at the annual gala to celebrate the scholars' achievements and activities over the year.



Exploring future pathways

Our Year 12 HSC students took advantage of individual careers interviews to assist their planning for a successful transition to further study and/or work. Students were assisted in applying for TAFE and University courses with 70% of those applying gaining early offers through the School Recommendation Scheme. Students were given assistance in applying for scholarships, Open Foundation, and schemes to support those with disadvantage.

In Term 4, our Year 11, 2022 students booked individual career interviews to enable them to make informed decisions about their subject selections for their HSC course of study.

Our extensive range of Vocational Education courses, work placement and work experience opportunities, School Based Traineeships and Apprenticeship Incubator Program have enabled many students to commence apprenticeships/traineeships.

Students took advantage of Career Expos, Science and Engineering and University visit days, past students, and industry presentations to help develop their career plans.

Students were supported through our network of organisations including TAFE (YES program offering short taster courses), University of Newcastle (presentations from student ambassadors), JobQuest's Transition to Success and Newcastle City Council's Youth Industry Partnership program facilitating pathways to work and study.

Our team's goal is to meet the needs of our students, and assist students develop their own career goals and pathways.

Students can make appointments for interviews throughout Year 11 and 12 and will receive a regular Careers Newsletter via email to keep informed about employment trends and opportunities, further study and scholarship opportunities.

Careers Team

Looking for sporting opportunities over the holidays?

Volleyball training will be happening in the holidays. If you are interested, speak to Mrs Atkins in PDHPE Faculty or message her in Canvas.

Also any students interested in 2023 College teams, talk to Mrs Atkins. And, don't forget to check the CHS Calendar which is available on the Hunter Sport Association website <https://app.education.nsw.gov.au/sport/Events>

OFFICE NEWS & DIARY DATES

JAN 31

Fri 27 & Mon 30: Term 1 Staff only (Staff Development Days)
Fri 27 & Mon 30: Uniform Shop open on site at Jesmond (school hours)
Tue 31: Term 1 commences for Year 11 and 12

FEB 23

Tue 9: College Twilight Swimming Carnival
Tue 9: CHS Volleyball Knockout
Wed 22: (proposed) Zone Swimming Carnival

MAR 23

Mon 13: Regional Swimming Carnival



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