DOONSIDE TECHNOLOGY HIGH SCHOOL

TERM 2, MID TERM- 2019 NEWSLETTER



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TERM 2- OFF TO A GREAT START!

PRINCIPALS MESSAGE- MR. IVAN BAKER (REL)

DTHS Athletics Carnival-

Doonside Technology High School has had an exciting and busy start to Term 2! Highlights have included an outstanding athletics carnival. Where parents, students and staff supported the schools athletes. As always, it was a great pleasure to see the community come together- special thanks to Kristyn Pace for all of her efforts to ensure the day happened and ran smoothly, as well as Beria Sergil for organising and aiding Year 12's Sausage Sizzle.

The Bearded Bakers-

A visit from the Bearded Bakers provided a rare opportunity for our students to interact with the world of business through a food truck working environment, and the Knafeh was excellent! Thank you to our Middle School Head Teacher- Nagiha Sahyouni for your organisation of the day.

Harmony Day-

Harmony Day at the end of Term 1 was a celebration of the diversity of our school, by students and staff and the broader Doonside community. As always on Harmony Day, performances and food gave us all an insight into other cultures and allowed us to celebrate our differences.

We are about the enter a busy period of reporting and assessments for semester 1. Teachers provide parents and carers with information on student progress and provide feedback to students. Our aim is to give students and carers advice that will result in improved results for all students.

Reports are more than a progress update, they give insights to students and parents about the quality of learning that is going on at DTHS.

If you have any questions concerning reports, please contact the school. We welcome the chance to discuss ways of achieving the best results for all of our students at the Term 3, Week 1 Parent Teacher evening.

Good luck to all students in their coming assessments and exams!

Ivan Baker

Berry Street Education Model

On May 1st DTHS hosted representatives from schools across NSW and the ACT to showcase our implementation of the Berry Street Education Model. The participants were fortunate enough to observe a range of classes on the day and hear directly from staff and students about the positive impact of the Berry Street Education Model.

















Harmony Day

On the 10th April, students and staff celebrated Harmony Day with the theme - Everyone Belongs. Harmony Day is a day where we celebrate cultural diversity, inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging. Year 11 and 12 student leaders ran cultural food stalls during lunch time and a cultural concert Period 5. Thank you to all of the incredible performers, student leaders, and teachers who were involved in this day. Happy Harmony Day everyone!



The Bearded Bakers @DTHS

As part of their food truck project, the Bearded Bakers have served traditional Middle Eastern dessert- Knafeh, to all year 7 students. Students had the opportunity to not only eat the dessert, but assisted the bakers in taking orders, firing up the oven, and calling out customer names to pick up their order. Ameer, the creative director of Knafeh, also spoke to students about his love for cooking and design, his initial idea for his business and how he has turned 1 simple idea into a business which has been opened in Sydney, Melbourne and New York!





DTHS have made the news! Featured in the May 15th edition of the Blacktown Advocate, Ms. Sahyouni speaks about year 7's experience with the Bearded Bakers and the relation between the visit and their learning, a worth while read! You can find the article athttp://newslocal.smedia.com.au/bla cktown-advocate/





2019 DTHS Athletics Carnival

Well done to the Doonside Technology High School Community for turning out to the annual DTHS Athletics Carnival. We witnessed some of the best competition from any carnival so far. We had our amazing relay teams race the teachers to try and gain victory, however the teachers were just too strong on the day. A big thank you to all those that assisted on the day.

Congratulations to BRUCE house group for taking out the championship for the day! A great effort from all involved and those that competed.

Well done to the following aged champions for their consistent participation in a number events on the day:

	Girls	Boys
12 Year	Sophie Saraceno	Isaac Collins/Dion Tapu
13 Year	Maddison Eaton	Tevita Lokolui
14 Year	Zoe Zammit	Khyden Symons
15 Year	Jasmine Saraceno	Leua Elekana
16 Year	Summah Terare	James Hewes
17+ Year	Erica Son Pedro	Issa Kargbo

Congratulations to the first and second place students who will now compete at the 2019 Mt Druitt Zone Athletics Carnival to earn a place in the Sydney West Athletics Team.

Miss. Kristyn Pace

Sport Organiser





Beastman Mural

The wait is over! Doonside Technology High School is proud to present the amazing work completed by Brad Eastman (Beast man) during the Term 1 school holidays! Thank you to both the graduated year 12 class of 2018 and Ms. Lori Saywell for your efforts and dedication to the betterment of DTHS. Not only has the Mural been received well by the current school community, it has caught the attention of previous students of DTHS and other members of the local community!

"This is totally brilliant, long overdue to have something like this, totally lifts this building, how refreshing, striking colour scheme used to give a feeling of contentment, warmth and welcoming. What a great bunch of year 12 students of 2018, to make this a permanent feature of this great school, it has produced some well noted members of society, above its punching weight, Pedro would be most pleased with this adornment to his name sake hall. Good work, keep it up!" - Rodney Dobell, Former DTHS Student



Alannah Yeatman-Old Lions Foundation Scholarship.



Alannah Yeatman (Pictured) was the first recipient of the Old Lions Foundation Scholarship. She received the award at Presentation night 2018. The \$3000 scholarship award was provided to assist Alannah with her educational needs for her senior years at DTHS. She recently purchased a laptop with her scholarship and is pictured with the laptop and a copy of the book Greeny's by Mr Alan Maclean.

North Sydney Technical High School: the school commenced as St Peters Presbyterian School in 1844: becoming St Leonards Public School in 1874; North Sydney Superior Public School in 1910; North Sydney Chatswood Junior High School in 1936 and North Sydney Technical High School in 1942. The school was closed in 1969. Its alumni association "The Old Lions", being proud of the achievements of many of its students, remained active for another fifty years, closing in 2019. At that time, The Old Lions set up a foundation for the benefit of Doonside Technology High School students with the objective of providing annual bursaries to deserving DTHS students.

We are very grateful to The Old Lions for their support to our school and students.



Year 7 Identity Showcase

As part of their Year 7 unit for Term 1, students showcased their "Identity" products in the library for a reverse TeachMeet. Students showcased their identity as historians, scientists, mathematicians, story writers, designers, artists, musicians and many more professions. Throughout the day, they participated in a variety of team building activities to showcase their identity through the lens of community.



















Year 11 Hospitality and Catering

Year 11 Hospitality students operate the DTHS Café every Monday Week B selling to staff a range of breakfast items such as pancakes, toasted sandwiches, bacon and egg muffins along with a variety of hot and cold beverages. The Café develops students 21st Century skills whilst serving authentic audiences. Students work towards achieving a Certificate II in Food and Beverage which is nationally recognised. In addition to operating the DTHS Café students also have the opportunity to assist with catering. Special events that students plan, prepare and present food for includes special formal assemblies with special guests such as ANZAC morning tea, graduation assembly, visitors to the school to name just a few.



A group of year 8 students participated in the "Full STEAM Ahead program" excursion on May 8th at the Powerhouse Museum with Mr. Yu and Ms. Bateup. The program is designed to deliver computer science education and interactive experiences in the areas of Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Maths (STEAM). Some of the activities included interacting with and programming a range of robots, virtual and augmented reality experiences, exploring Artificial Intelligence via facial recognition software and programming using the Unity game engine.





2019 Western Sydney OzTag Secondary Schools Gala Day



Doonside THS students took part in the Western Sydney Oztag Secondary Schools Gala Day at The Kingsway, St Marys for the fourth year running.

DTHS fielded a Boys and Girls Open team to take part in the competition. The boys' team finished 4th in their pool stages, whilst the girls' team just missed out on the elimination finals.

Congratulations to both Summah Terare (Girls Opens) and Trent Addo (Boys Opens) nominated best and fairest. Furthermore, congratulations to the leading try scorers Abbey Austin (Girls Opens) and James Hewe (Boys Opens). Also special mention to Jermaine Teao & Chelsea Austin for their outstanding leadership in captaining their respective teams.

The students conducted themselves with great respect and showing the highest level of sportsmanship and resilience in tight competitive contests.







GWS Giants Training Facility Excursion

Year 11 SLR and Year 12 Sport Coaching students had the opportunity to tour the GWS Giants training facility to see how professional athletes train and prepare for performance. Students participated in a number of workshops including sports administration, recovery practices and coaching. Thank you to Emad and the GWS Giants for hosting DTHS.









Year 12 students attended the Greater Western Sydney Careers Expo where they had the chance to explore and speak with the professionals from Universities, Registered Training Organisations, Apprenticeship Centres, Group Training Organisations, Private Colleges, Professional Associations and Employers about further education and/or careers options available to them. The events provided a fantastic opportunity for students to seek that all important career and further education advice from a wide variety of exhibitors and industry experts to enable them to make informed choices.





DTHS Star Student







Participated in the Worlds Greatest Shave. Raising a total of \$600 to go towards finding a cure for blood cancer!

Term 2

Virtual is The New Reality

Josh Workman and Lokesh Prasad have been spending their Thursday Homework time learning about Virtual reality. The boys have been trialing various state of the art programs with the CAPA staff where they have been shrunk down to explore the insides of the human body. They have been testing their reflexes and hand eye coordination and creating virtual worlds they are able to walk through. They have also been exploring the streets of Rome. We are excited to see where this technology will take these guys next.





Get to Know Our Staff and

Leadership Team!

Principal	Ms. Janet Harding
Deputy Principals	Mr. Owen Hayes Mr. Paul Karbon Mr. Nic Webb
School Captains	Abbi McLeish Victor Basa
Vice Captains	Jessica Tabone Nyandiing Awan
Prefects	Chance Te Atua Yadana Aung
Year 7 8 9 10 11 12	Year Advisor Dianne Bateup Elizabeth Sharp Michelle Foord Ethan Halavaka Chris Marques Beria Sergil
Head Teachers Administration Creative Arts English HSIE Learning Support Library Mathematics PDHPE Science Support TAS Welfare Adminsitrative Manager Business Manager	Mr. Owen Hayes Ms. Jennifer Tislovich Ms. Tahnee Rolfe Mr. Manny Singh Ms. Natasha Garrety Ms. Carolyn King Ms. Carolyn King Ms. Carolyn King Ms. Stacy Spoulos Mr. Nathan Brown Ms. Stacy Spoulos Mr. Nathan Brown Ms. Keerti Shukla Ms. Roslyn Paul Ms. Tricia Saunders Mr. Ben Gerard Ms. Jessica Quinn Ms. Karen Lawrence Ms. Shweta Sharma
School Counsellors	Ms. Catherine Lange - M, W, Th, and Wk A, F Ms. Ally Robinson - Tue, and Wk B, F

Dates for your Calendar Term 2, 2019

3rd June - AFL Inclusion Carnival Forum 4th June - Panthers Trophy U/16s 5th June - NSW History Competition 5th June - Panthers Female Gala Day 5th June - Full STEAM Ahead 7th June - Greening Australia Tree Planting 12th June - SW Region Cross Country Carnival 18 - 19th June - Schools on Tour 21st June - Mt Druitt Zone Athletics Carnival 1st - 5th July - National NAIDOC Week

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