

## GREAT5 SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING CHALLENGE



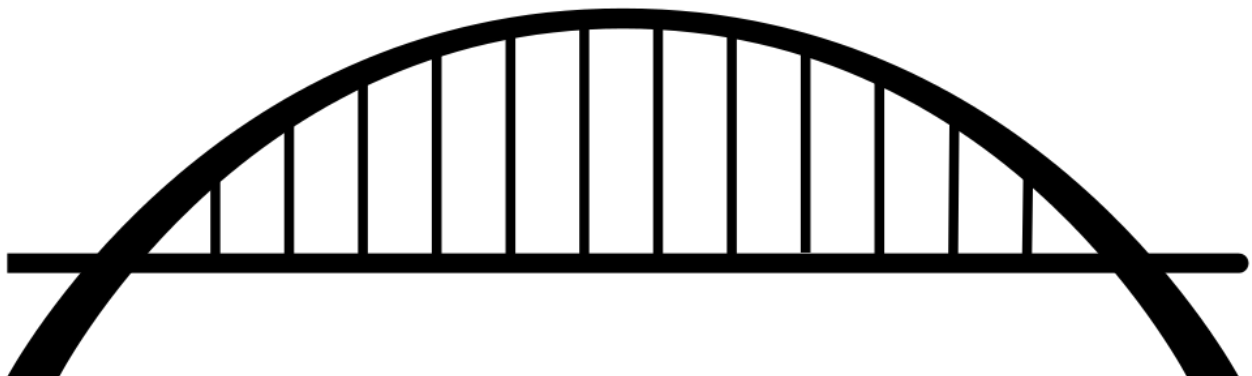
On Friday the 24<sup>th</sup> June three other students and I attended the Great5 Science and Engineering Challenge. This was part of a gifted and talented program for the schools of the Tweed, at Tweed River High School (TRHS). We met with stage 3 & 4 students from the other 4 High Schools and over 20 of the Primary Schools.

In groups we were given three different building activities to challenge us for the day. TRHS year 8 and 9 students gave us instructions on what we were to achieve with the materials that we were given. We built a car to carry salt along a challenging track with hills and turns without spilling the salt out of the match-box. Our group got top marks as we did not spill any. Next was building a tower using masking tape and straws, the tallest tower won bonus points.

The tower had to get from one chair to another using balloon as an air jet to propel the tower along a string track. Finally, a catapult out of skewers and raspberry lollies that aimed balls made of cornflour and water (ours were a bit runny) at a target. We got bonus points for our design but we missed the target so we didn't get the most points.

A fun day was had by all and lots of team work and ideas were shared. Thanks to TRHS for putting it on this event including the BBQ lunch, and to Mr Leighton for accompanying the team and for the entertaining show he put on for everyone.

*Emma-Kate Brindley,  
7S Student*





### WELCOME BACK TO TERM 3!

There is once again a lot happening. Next week we host the first North Coast Initiative for School improvement symposium. Attendees will include primary and high school teachers and executive, both public and private schools, Greg Prior, the Deputy Secretary of the Department of Education, University representatives and a large contingent of educators from Canada. We also have parent/teacher interviews for Years 7 to 10 next Tuesday afternoon. Later in the term we have our ski trip excursion, the Trial HSC exams, Images of Greatness during Education Week and we finish the term off with our first Japanese tour leaving during the next holiday break.

Minister for Education Adrian Piccoli has recently announced wide-reaching reforms to the Higher School Certificate (HSC) to improve the learning experience for students and boost the standard of NSW school graduates. From 2020, students will need to demonstrate they have met a minimum standard in both literacy and numeracy to receive the HSC.

Next year, Year 9 students will have their first opportunity to meet this new standard by achieving minimum band 8 results when they sit NAPLAN.

### THE TELL THEM FROM ME STUDENT FEEDBACK SURVEY

I am delighted that this term, our school, like many other public schools in the state, will participate in a Department of Education initiative: the *Tell Them From Me* student feedback survey. The survey aims to help improve student learning outcomes and measures factors that are known to affect academic achievement and other student outcomes. The focus of the NSW-wide survey is on student wellbeing, engagement and effective teaching practices.

You may remember that our students also participated in a *Tell Them From Me* student survey in Term 1 this year. Asking students to complete the survey twice in one year allows us to identify trends in student responses as well as track engagement and motivation across the school year.

More information about the survey is available at: <http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/information-for-parents>

The survey is a great opportunity for our students to provide us with valuable and quick feedback on what they think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them. Schools in Australia and around the world have used the *Tell Them From Me* survey to help improve how they do things at school.

### IT'S ALL CONFIDENTIAL

I want to assure you that the survey is confidential. The survey is conducted online and will typically take less than 30 minutes to complete. It will be administered during school hours between 22 August and 21 October. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary.

A consent form and FAQs for parents/carers about the survey is being sent home with students. If you **do not** want your child or children to participate, please return the form to school by **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> August 2016**. Copies of the form and FAQs are available from the website above.

### THE PARTNERS IN LEARNING PARENT FEEDBACK SURVEY

This Term, our school will be participating in the *Partners in Learning* parent survey, another part of the *Tell Them From Me* suite of surveys (student, teacher and parent surveys) on student engagement. The survey asks parents and carers questions about different factors that are known to impact on student wellbeing and engagement.

Running this survey will help our school understand parents' and carers' perspectives on their child's experience at school. These include: communication between parents/carers and staff, activities and practices at home and parent/carer views on the school's support of learning and behaviour. This valuable feedback will help our school make practical improvements.

The survey is conducted entirely online at home or on public computers. The survey will typically take 15 minutes or less to complete and is completely confidential. The parent survey will be conducted between 22 August and 21 October. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary, however, your responses are very much appreciated.

More information about the survey is available at: <http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/information-for-parents>

Greg Smith  
Principal

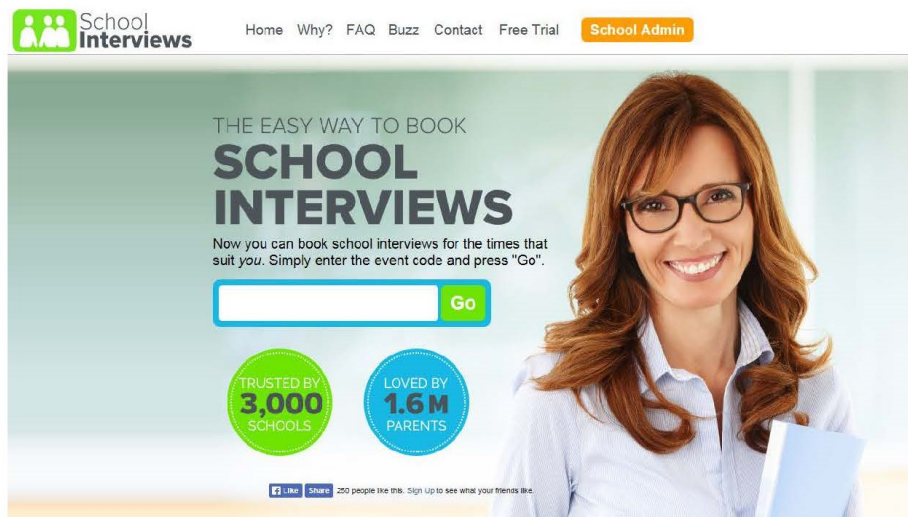
## Year 7 to 10 Parent Teacher Interviews

**Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> July 3.00pm – 6.00pm**

This year, we have introduced a new booking process where parents have the opportunity to book their interviews with teachers online.

Simply go to the web address [www.schoolinterviews.com.au](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au)

and enter the event code **p2cyf** and follow the on-screen prompts.



Please note, if you do not have access to the internet, please call the school on 07 5513 1960 and the office staff will be happy to assist.

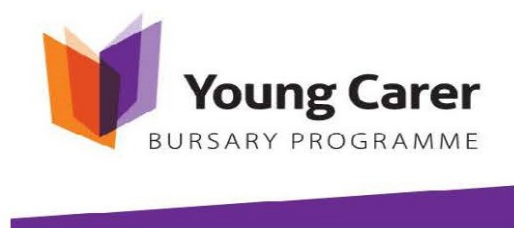
## TWEED SHIRE COUNCIL FOCUS GROUP FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

On Tuesday 21 June, a group of students attended a Tweed Shire Council Focus Group for young people. The Focus Group examined the cultural life of Tweed Shire and will contribute toward Council development of a new Cultural Plan for the Shire. The Plan will guide Council support of cultural activity throughout the shire and will be completed in 2017.

Young people were asked what do they see to be the shire's cultural strengths and weaknesses and what are their future aspirations for cultural activity. Students enthusiastically participated in discussions. Among key strengths highlighted by students were the coastal lifestyle they enjoyed, other open and natural spaces and opportunities to come together as a community. Young people also indicated they would like to experience a more diverse food culture, have access to more under 18 live music entertainment and opportunities for young musicians and entertainers to perform locally.







### About the Young Carer Bursary Programme

The young carer bursary programme aims to assist young carers in greatest need, to continue to study and to relieve the financial pressure on them to undertake part-time work whilst also studying and providing care.

### Who is eligible for a bursary in 2017?

A young carer aged 12- 25 years (born in 1992 or later for the 2017 Bursary year); who is studying an approved course either full-time or part-time at:

- secondary school; or
- home schooling approved by the relevant state educational authority; or
- vocational and educational training such as apprenticeships or TAFE; or
- an undergraduate course at university; or
- not currently enrolled but will prove enrolment if granted the bursary; and
- will not be in receipt of another bursary or scholarship in 2017; and
- is an Australian citizen or Australian permanent resident.

### What does it provide?

The young carer bursary programme will grant 333 bursaries @ \$3,000 in 2017, paid in quarterly instalments in February, April, August and October 2017. Bursaries are granted for 12 months with a brand new application process each year.

### When will applications open?

Applications for 2017 bursaries will open on **Tuesday 2 August and close on Wednesday 14 September 2016**. An on-line application form will be available from 2 August 2016 which is linked to the Young Carer website. If you do not have access to a computer or the internet, contact Carers Australia and we will post a hard copy form to you. An independent selection panel will make the final decisions about the granting of bursaries. Shortlisted applicants will be contacted in November/December 2016.

### Further information:

Website: [www.youngcarers.net.au](http://www.youngcarers.net.au)

Email: [ycbursaries@carersaustralia.com.au](mailto:ycbursaries@carersaustralia.com.au)

Phone: 1800 756 238

# KONNICHIWA FROM JAPAN!

## MY FEELINGS SO FAR

It feels surreal that I have been in Japan for around 2 and a half months now! It feels like I just arrived. I'm having a great time here and I have learnt so many things - especially how to budget my money. Mostly everything was hard for me during my first month in Japan (it's still a bit hard). I didn't understand what was going on, I couldn't read the menus and I didn't know how the train system works. So I often had to ask people for help. There were times where my other exchange student friends and I would get lost and times where I almost caught the wrong train going to school. Also, the train that I take to school every day is so crowded.

## JAPANESE SCHOOL LIFE

When I first came to school, everyone was so friendly and nice. In the hallways random students would come up to say hello and everywhere I go they would say kawaii mecha kawaii. My school here in Japan is so different from Banora. I'm really starting to appreciate on how good we have it back there in Australia. I start school at 8:40 and finish at 4:00. But ever since I joined a school club, I get home around 8:00pm every Monday, Wednesday and Friday (thankfully I don't have to go to club on Saturday). There is also another exchange student who is in the same class with me. We have become great friends since we both understand what we are both going through. The classes are really difficult for me to understand, so most of the time she and I go to the library to self-study. My school gives us special Japanese lessons every day and every Monday she and I have a special Japanese dance lesson. We have to learn it as we have to perform in the cultural festival!

## MY HOST FAMILY

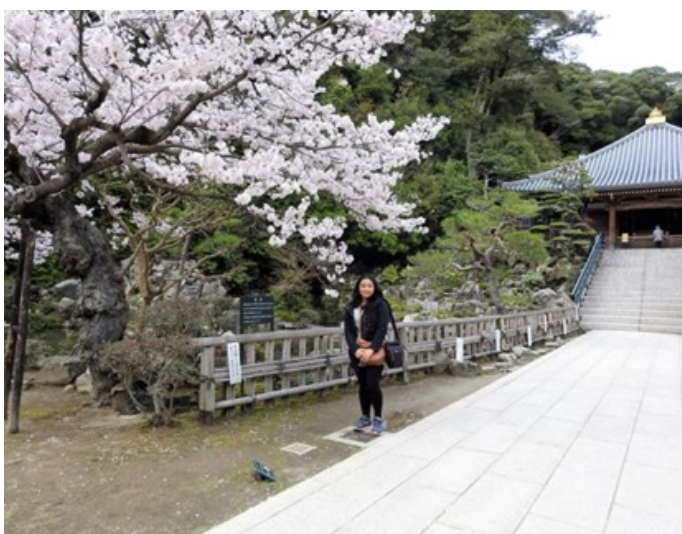
The lady hosting me is very kind. She always wakes up really early to make my obento (packed lunch) for school and she also gives me money even though it's not necessary for her to do it. I have made so many good friends here. They always take me to different places and teach me new Japanese words. I have learnt so much Osaka slang because of them!

Sometimes I forget how to speak English or I would mix up English, Tagalog and Japanese.

Being an exchange student definitely has its up and downs but this is certainly the best decision I've ever made so far, I don't think I'll ever forget this experience.

*By Kristen Trono*

*Banora Point High School student on exchange in Osaka, Japan.*





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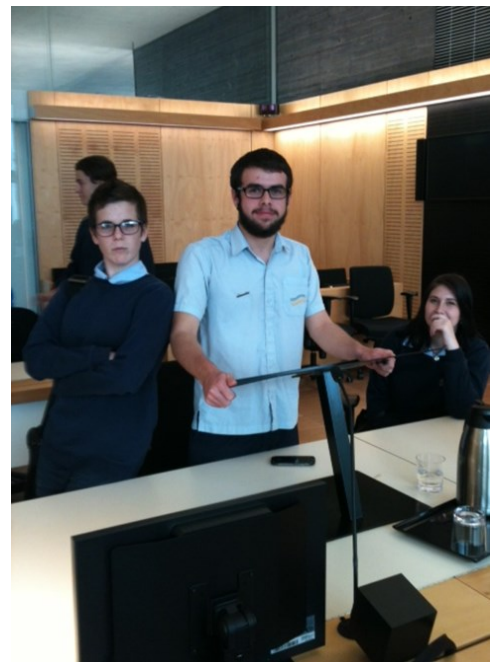




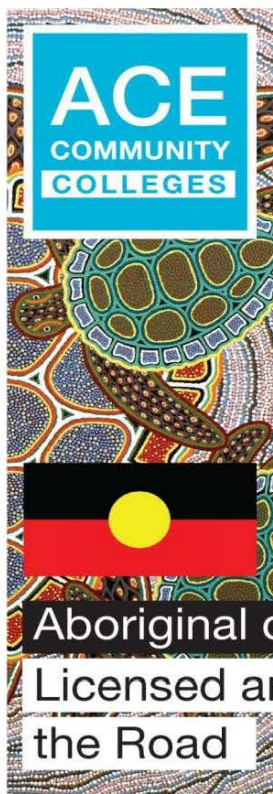
# YEAR 12 LEGAL STUDIES ATTENDS SUPREME COURT

On the 31<sup>st</sup> of May, the Yr 12 Legal Studies class travelled by train to the Brisbane Supreme Court. We were given the opportunity to watch two sentencing cases, as well as sitting in on day 2 of a criminal trial. It was a wonderful experience for the students to see the working of the Supreme Court first hand and to see many of the concepts taught in class applied in real life. The students also got the opportunity to sit in the jury box and go behind the scenes into the jury deliberation room. Haden Bowen also got to fulfill his dream of becoming a lawyer by getting the chance to sit at the lawyers' bench. This was a great day and the students should be congratulated on their maturity, enthusiasm and cooperation while on the excursion.

*Kim Clurey.*







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#### **New Horizons Indigenous Community Hub**

1-2/8 Rivendell Drive Tweed Heads South

(07) 5506 4308

**on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> July**

10-1.30pm

*AND*

#### **Tweed Land Council**

Unit 21/ 25 Ourimbah Road. West Tweed Heads

**on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> July**

10am-12pm

for an

#### **Information & enrolment session**

The Driving program is open to all Aboriginal people who hold a  
Learners Licence.

We will also be taking expressions of interest for a Learner Driver  
Knowledge Course to be run at ACE College Kirra once we have the  
numbers

**All enquires Jan Levy 0429423116**





## THOUGHT OF THE WEEK



## UPCOMING EVENTS



The next P&C Meeting  
will be held on

**Monday 1 August**  
at 7.00PM DST

All new parents are most welcome to come along  
to support your child's school  
and meet other parents!

*We would love to see you!*

## SCHOOL &amp; COMMUNITY NEWS



## LOW COST DESEXING

Friends of the Pound are offering low cost dog & cat desexing for cats and dogs that reside in the Tweed Shire! There will be criteria to meet and price is on application. Offer is only for July 2016 so book now!

Make your booking & payment between 10am - 2pm at our Rehoming Booth at Petbarn, Harvey Norman Centre, 29-41 Greenway Drive, TWEED HEADS SOUTH, NSW | T: 07 5524 8590

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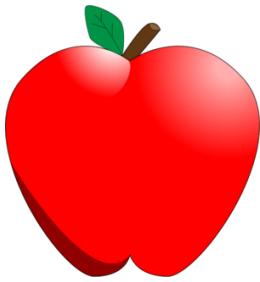
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## Banora Point HIGH SCHOOL

### Canteen Menu 2016



#### Sandwiches

Vegemite	\$2.00
Cheese	\$2.50
Egg plain or curried	\$3.00
Tuna	\$3.00
Lean Ham/Chicken Breast	\$3.00
Salad	\$3.00
Baked Beans/Spaghetti	\$3.00
Salmon	\$4.00

*Salad = lettuce, tomato, beetroot, carrot, cucumber*

#### Extras

Salad/Avocado	\$1.00
Cheese/Egg	50c

#### Fresh Wraps

Salad with mayo	\$3.00
Chicken & salad w/mayo	\$4.00
Ham & salad w/mayo	\$4.00
Tuna & salad w/mayo	\$4.00

#### Special Wraps - lettuce, tomato, cheese

Mexican Wrap	\$4.00
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*Taco style mince with corn, avo & sour cream*

Sweet chilli tender wrap -	\$4.00
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*sweet chilli coated chicken tender w/sweet chilli sauce*

#### Daily Specials

##### Monday

Check specials board *(specials change weekly)*

##### Tuesday

Check specials board *(specials change weekly)*

##### Wednesday

Check specials board *(specials change weekly)*

##### Thursday

Eagle boys pizza (equal to 2 slices)	\$3.50
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*Hawaiian, meatlovers, vegetarian, cheese*

##### Friday

Nachos	\$3.50
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*With sour cream and sweet chilli sauce*

#### Burgers - lettuce, cheese, tomato & beetroot w/ your choice of tomato BBQ, sweet chilli, aioli or mayo

Cheese burger - beef & cheese	\$3.50
Hamburger	\$4.00
Chicken burger	\$4.00
Fish	\$4.00
Veggie	\$4.00

#### Pies & Sausage Rolls

Sausage roll	\$3.00
Plain pie small	\$2.50
Plain pie large	\$3.50
Spinach & ricotta roll	\$3.50
Lamb & rosemary triangle	\$3.80
Flavoured pies	\$3.80
Sauce - tomato or BBQ	20c

#### Toasted Turkish Bread

Ham & cheese	\$3.50
Chicken, cheese & avo	\$4.00

#### Others

Corn on the cob	\$1.20
Potato wedges (cup)	\$3.00
Hot dogs - fat free	\$3.00
Chicken chipees	\$3.50
Macaroni cheese	\$3.80
Lasagne	\$3.80

#### Drinks

Bottled water 600ml	\$1.20
Bottled water 750ml sip cap	\$1.80
Milk - plain small	\$1.20
Poppers - apple, orange, tropical	\$1.60
Focus water	\$1.80
Crazy lemon lemonade small	\$1.80
Crazy lemon lemonade large	\$3.00
Glee	\$2.00
Up N Go - choc, straw, banana, vanilla	\$2.00
Flavoured Milk 300ml	\$2.00
Flavoured Milk 500ml	\$3.00
Iced coffee	\$3.50
Hot chocolate	\$2.50
Juice 500ml 35%	\$2.80
Juice 500ml 100%	\$3.00
Iced Tea	\$2.70
Slushie Small	\$1.50
Slushie Large	\$2.50

#### Fresh Sushi

Fresh Sushi	\$2.70
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*Chicken & avo, chicken teriyaki, tuna,*

*honey soy chicken, tuna & avo, prawn tempura,*

*prawn sweet chilli, salmon & avo, vege tempura,*

*salmon & cream cheese, salad, avo, inari,*

*california roll (crab, avo & egg).*

#### Salad Boxes

Fruit salad	\$3.50
Salad	\$3.50

#### Extras in Salad Boxes

Egg	50c
Avocado	\$1.00
Chicken, ham, tuna	\$1.50

#### Snacks

Sumo biscuits	50c
Eucalyptus drops	60c
Fruit - banana, orange, apple, seasonal	\$1.00
Assorted Chips	\$1.20
Cheese & bacon rolls	\$2.00
Vegemite & cheese scroll	\$2.50
Yoghurt	\$2.50
Finger buns	\$2.00
Muffins	\$2.50

#### Ice Treats

Frozen juice cup	70c
Many frozen cups	70c
Calippo	\$1.00
Icy twist	\$1.20
Paddle pops	\$1.50
Paddle pop shaky shakes	\$2.00
Frozen yoghurt	\$2.00
Sorbets	\$2.50





## CHANGE OF INFORMATION

The school is installing a new roll marking/sms network system which requires up to date changes in email addresses and mobile telephone numbers of carers/parents. If you have changed your mobile in the past and feel you may not have informed the school would you please complete this form along with the email address.

Student Name ..... Year: .....

Father's Mobile No. .... Mother's Mobile No. ....

Home Telephone No. .... Emergency Contact No. ....

Comments .....

## PARENT EMAIL ADDRESS

### SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

We now endeavour to email our School Newsletter to parents directly to their email address. Our goal is to have our Newsletter a paperless one. We would appreciate it if you would update us with changes to your email address in order for us to keep you in the loop. Please fill in the section below and have your child bring it to the front office.

Our fortnight Newsletter is available on our website at [www.banorapnt-h.schools.nsw.edu.au](http://www.banorapnt-h.schools.nsw.edu.au)

Student Name/s: ..... Year: .....

Email Address School Newsletter to be forwarded to: .....



## BACK TO BASICS

### Schoolwear & Sportswear

### UNIFORM STORE OPENING HOURS

2015-2016

#### TERM 1 & 4

Tuesday 12.30pm—3.00pm

Thursday 8.00am—11.00am

#### TERM 2 & 3

Thursday 8.00am—11.00am

*Uniform Store is located upstairs in J Block  
Credit Cards and EFTPOS accepted—sorry no cheques*

