

# Crookwell High School Newsletter



#### Principal's Bulletin 4th November 2024

#### HSC Ends and Years 7 – 10 Examinations begin

This is the final week for HSC examinations, with Friday being the last day for state wide examinations. We are looking forward to celebrating with our Year 12 2024 Cohort at their Formal Dinner on the evening of Thursday 14th of November. Wednesday 6th November also marks the start of Years 7-10 Examinations which will run into the middle of next week. Students have all the information about what to study, and have been given some revision time in classes. All students have also been reminded that no calculators are available for loan – students must bring their own. Students should also have all pens/pencils/rulers etc. that are needed for all their exams.

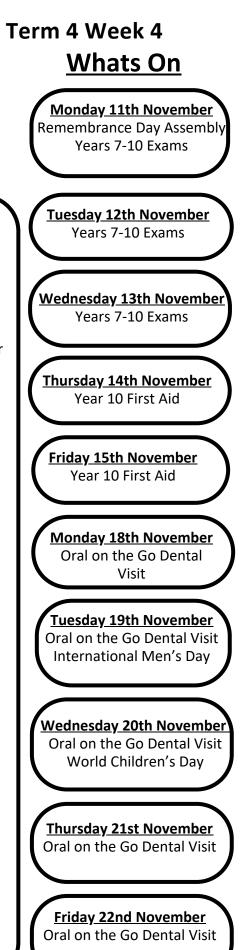
### P & C meeting

In the summer terms, the P & C meet on Wednesdays from 6pm in the staff common room for weeks 4 and 8. Our next meeting is this Wednesday 6th November. Looking forward to seeing our regular attendees and any new faces.



Crookwell High School is participating in Movember again this year, with Mr Perry going the extra mile (literally) by hiking the Australian Alps. Please take the time to support him and our Movember team by donating at https://au.movember.com/team/2447959

The SRC is also running a range of fundraising activities, which were kicked off with the Halloween dress up last week.



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#### Belgian Embassy Visit

Over the past number of years, we have had a strong relationship with the Belgian Embassy in Canberra, participating in the 'Never the Last Post' project. This entails students from various locations researching a local Australian soldier who fought in Belgium during the World Wars. This research is then presented by the students to the Belgian Ambassador during a ceremony at the Embassy. The project hasn't run for the last couple of years, and was reinstated for 2024. A group of our students with support and guidance from Mr Hewitt attended the embassy and presented their research. We are very proud of their involvement in this initiative, and many thanks to Mr Hewitt for driving the project.



#### Vero Joseph | Principal



## Year 7 Drama

In English this term, students are studying a play and learning about the different ways a story is told on the stage. On Monday 28th October, 7/1 enjoyed acting out various characters and scenarios, using body language and dialogue to create characters. Thanks Mr Dark for hosting us in the library for this excellent lesson.

Elizabeth Bollen | Head Teacher English









# Year 6 into Year 7 Taster Day

Wednesday 30th October we were graced with 24 bright and bubbly Year 6 students, eager to combat a full day at High School. Year 6 started the day with Home Room where students were met with Mrs Arnall to discuss the plan for the day. At the completion of Home Room, 8 amazing Year 9 Leaders joined us to assist in guiding and mentoring our students throughout the day. Period 1 Year 6 were split into small groups with the Year 9 Leaders and took part in a range of activities associated with reading a timetable, locating rooms and staff around our school and taking time to get to know Crookwell High School. Next up, Year 6 headed off to a History lesson with Mr Wilson. Students were taken outside and participated in a range of timeline activities and ordering, followed by creating their own crests for our knightly shields. At break time, students enjoyed spending time in the playground, accessing the canteen, communicating with other students and participating in sport on the oval with other students. Period 3 Year 6 headed off to Geography with Ms Bramley, In Geography, they were exposed to an introduction to landforms and landscapes and consolidating continents and oceans location. At the conclusion of Period 3, Year 6 headed off to Maths with Mrs Dark, in Maths, they completed a variety of activities on the topic of Area, including playing "Area Battle" and problem solving. After break 3 students met up at the Hall to combine with our Year 10 students. To conclude our day, students enjoyed a range of sports with Year 10 including Soccer, Touch Football and walking.

A great day had by all with Year 6 feeling more comfortable and confident about transitioning to High School in 2025.

Tara Arnall | 2025 Year 7 Advisor













# Windfarm Excursion

Wednesday 30th October Year 8 students visited one of the local Gullen Wind Farms to consolidate their exploration of Wind Turbines and Renewable Energy from earlier in the year. Students were able to explore the inside of the turbines, learn about the conversion of wind power to electricity and see the solar farm that is also located at this venue. The solar farm is the first in the country that works alongside the turbines. Students met engineers, contractors and marketing personnel that continually work at these locations and learnt about what a day in the life of their roles looks like.

#### Anna Kemp | STEM Coordinator









### Year 9 Science

Year 9 students dissected a cow eye in Science. After learning about the structure and function of the human eye, they were able to identify the cornea, retina, iris, pupil, sclera, optic nerve and remove the lens and use it to magnify newspaper print.

Stephanie Croker | Science Teacher







# Halloween / Movember



Thursday 31st October was of course Halloween. The students were invited to dress up in their Halloween costumes and bring a gold coin donation with all proceeds going to MOVEMBER (men's health). Cup cakes were made and decorated by the junior Food Tech classes and sold by the SRC, with proceeds going to the Movember Crookwell High team.

#### Steph Croker | SRC Coordinator











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# Are you looking for part-time work and want to make a difference?

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