Toodyay District High School Newsletter

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Hello everyone. We have now reached the end of child's teacher. Semester 1 and all students and parents should have received the first of two formal reports for the year. Requests for paper copies of these reports should have been made to the school in writing. The report reflects student academic progress and achievement, attendance, as well as students' Attitude, Behaviour and Effort. Regular attendance is pivotal in this as it ensures continuity in learning at an optimal level.

Term 1 and 2 have been busy and productive periods for our school. Permanent fixtures to our school calendar i.e. swimming carnivals, NAPLAN testing, Wilderness Hike, Cadet & Year 6 Camps to name a few, have occurred with great success. Our new initiatives introduced at the beginning of the year have shown great improvement across the school. COMPASS - Attendance and Behaviour 123 school wide has been significant. The MultiLit suite across early childhood and junior primary has contributed strongly to the literacy progress we are seeing in our students. The response to intervention programs delivered by our education assistants in upper primary and secondary has also delivered strong outcomes for our students supporting teaching and learning in our mainstream classes. If you wish to learn more about these initiatives, please speak with your

We launched the year promoting the Culture of Belonging which underpins our sense of connectedness to Toodyay and informs how we speak with each other across all settings. Students themselves have initiated or responded to multiple opportunities to demonstrate their spirit of generosity and connectedness towards visitors and new students who have joined us over the semester. Regular attendance also fosters our Culture of Belonging and supports positive social connections.

Our student leadership team (captains, prefects and faction captains) are a proactive group advocating strongly for their peers. They are highly visible in their new tailored jackets, shirts and ties that promote the formality of the group. They are a dedicated group of students who uphold the good name of Toodyay District High School. Parents should be very proud of the way they conduct themselves formally and informally. A leadership forum is scheduled for them in Term 3 where our current leaders and potential 2024 student leaders will meet fellow students from around WA in Perth as part of the In Your Head National Forum at the Convention Centre.

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Our final week has been dedicated to NAIDOC Week which is celebrated nationally from 2 - 9th July. Across the week, classes from PP to year 10 have visited the Newcastle Gaol Museum and Duidgee Park to explore aspects of the historic and cultural heritage of the Noongar people. Teaching and learning in this area will continue in consultation with the Noongar Kaartdijin Aboriginal Corporation over the course of this year.

Term 3 & 4 is already well planned with big ticket events plotted across the school calendar. Athletics Carnival, David Ball, Jo Bartlett and Sharon Anderson Astronomy Night/Science Fair, In Your Head Forum, Country Week, OLNA and the list goes on. Plans regarding the Toodyay School Choir under the tutelage of Ms Emma Pettemerides and Ms Shuang Aliaga, are underway with information mentioned further along in this newsletter. Our friends, Bendigo Community Bank, are instrumental in making this happen.

As we close the term, we say farewell to a number of long - standing students as they move away from Toodyay and we welcome in our newly enrolled students. We thank our school volunteers, Breakfast Club, P&C committee members, Toodyay Op Shop, Bendigo Bank, School Council and friends of Toodyay DHS for their continued support of our school. Finally, we wish our students and teaching staff a very safe and restful break. Come back well and strong.

Kind regards



Term Dates for 2023

Semester 1 2023					
Term 1	Wednesday 1st February - Thursday 6th April				
Term 2	Wednesday 26th April - Friday 30th June (Friday June 2nd will be a pupil free day making it a long June weekend)				
Semester 2					
Term 3	Monday 17th July - Friday 22nd September				
Term 4	Tuesday 10th October - Thursday 14th December				

Labour Day	Good Friday	Easter Monday	ANZAC Day Public Holiday	Western Australia Day	Pupil Free Day	Kings Birthday
6th March	7 ^{5th} April	10th April	25th April	5 th June	30th Jan 31st Jan 24th Apr 2nd June 9th Oct 15th Dec	25th September



Toodyay District High School Facebook Page

We invite all parents and carers to please like our Facebook page "Toodyay District High School" to see all the wonderful things our students are getting up to during the school year.

Carpark

Could we all please be mindful to drive the correct way out of the carpark near the early childhood area to prevent any accidents.

A big thank you to our wonderful gardener Cassie!

The bees you made for the Kindy, Pre-Primary Garden are bee-utiful!



Our year 3/4 students enjoyed their time with our year 8's. Lots of reading was done and a fun time had by all.



Secondary News

has been but, by the coughs and tired young faces students! Meet Emma below! around at present, it sure is time for a holiday! I hope all students take the time to read their reports, perfect on what they have done well, and make plans for how they can build upon their start to the year.

Music

Who doesn't like listening to the radio and singing along to your favourite song?



Mrs Bartlett and I embarked on a personal challenge NAIDOC Week this year, joining the Born To Sing 1000 voice choir, performing at the Perth Concert Hall in June. It was an amazing experience and one that filled us with a sense of achievement and joy. We led a session with there was in the room! Research into the effects of music has found there are many, many positives. Music can increase blood flow, reduce heart rate, and lower blood pressure. It has been found to decrease stress hormones and increase serotonin and endorphin levels in the blood. In short, it elevates mood. It stimulates memories and can help reduce or manage pain. Music is good for us! With this in mind, we are very excited to know that Ms

End of term wrap up! No need to say how busy it Emma Pettemerides has offered to support our



Toodyay School Choir

Do you love to sing? Yes? Then come along and join us for School Choir. Let's make some beautiful music together!

Fridays at 11:50am (Period 4) in the Music Room

Emma is a singer/actress who trained at the West Australian Academy of Music and has performed on the stage for over 20 years.

Emma is looking forward to meeting you all and working alongside Ms Ali!

This week I have had the privilege of being out and about with our students at their NAIDOC week excursions to the Newcastle Gaol and Duidgee Park. our own school choir while Ms Ali was on her I can't speak highly enough of our secondary teaching practice too, and what a fabulous feeling students who were beautifully behaved and thoroughly engaged in their learning. Added to this was the way in which each of our Year 10 leaders spoke at our assembly on Monday; they were prepared and polished. Someone once gave me the following wise advice: "Never be so arrogant as to think you can just turn up and 'wing it' when public speaking'. Michael, Skye and Jayden have taken this on board and I applaud them. Continued on next page...

Secondary News

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It's been one of those weeks when I have felt immensely proud to be part of this school community.

also enjoyed by some of the volunteers! One of the certificate. volunteers, Barry, enquired if we could share our disciplines: learning package, which he described as being 'like something from a private school' The museum would like to include this as part of their own bank of resources.



Year 10

This group of students have been busy preparing for their White Card training next term. This, and the process of selecting subjects for next year, has involved registering using online forms, which is an Candidates who left school more than three important literacy skill for the future. The White Card training is scheduled for 25 and 26 July and is provided free of charge for our senior students.

Alcoa 2024 Apprentice Intake - Advertising NOW!

On Thursday, 22 June, Alcoa launched their Apprenticeship recruitment campaign for their 2024 Intake, accepting applications now until COB Sunday, 23 July 2023. Please read below:

We have multiple apprenticeship opportunities available across our WA Alumina and Bauxite operations located at our three refineries (Kwinana, Pinjarra & Wagerup), and our bauxite mine sites (Huntly & Willowdale). Successful applicants will The learning package that we developed to support start in January 2024 and at the end of the four the excursions to the gaol and Duidgee Park were years, will earn a nationally recognised trade Opportunities exist in the following

- Mechanical Fitter
- Mechanical Fitter Machinist
- Fabricator / Welder
- **Heavy Duty Plant Mechanic**
- Industrial Electrical Instrumentation Technician

Links to the Alcoa Apprenticeship webpage are below providing additional information on the Apprenticeship program, including how to apply. We would be extremely grateful if you could share this message with your students and/or networks within your school/community group/TAFE.

URL (long URL) Webpage https:// www.alcoa.com/australia/en/careers/ apprentice-opportunities

Short URL for promo purposes: https:// www.alcoa.com/australia/en/careers

Please note, it is essential that current students or recent school leavers attach a full copy of their latest school grade report for their application to be considered.

years ago (by the end of 2019), are asked to upload a current CV or university transcript.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact Amanda Carr, Talent Acquisition Consultant - Entry Talent & Blue Collar on 0474 972 188 or amanda.carr2@alcoa.com.

The Trial of Goldilocks and the Three Bears

by the Year Seven Students of Toodyay District High School

The Year Seven students gave an imaginative performance of "The Trial of Goldilocks and the Three Bears." This remarkable adaptation showcased their talent, creativity, and dedication to delivering a unique and entertaining lesson.

Their confident and charismatic performances brought the characters to life. Each student embraced their role with enthusiasm, effectively conveying the emotions and personalities of the beloved characters.

The lesson not only entertained but also showcased the students' ability to think critically and explore complex themes. By framing the story as a trial, the students challenged the class to question traditional narratives and consider different perspectives. The well-constructed arguments and persuasive speeches delivered by the students showcased their analytical thinking and ability to present their viewpoints with confidence.

The Year Seven students of Toodyay District High School should be commended for their outstanding lesson in "The Trial of Goldilocks and the Three Bears."

Ms Higgs deserve appreciation for her guidance and support, nurturing the students' talents and helping them achieve their best.

HASS lessons are fun!

Congratulations to the Year Seven students for their adaptation of "The Trial of Goldilocks and the Three Bears"!





3v3 Basketball Competition

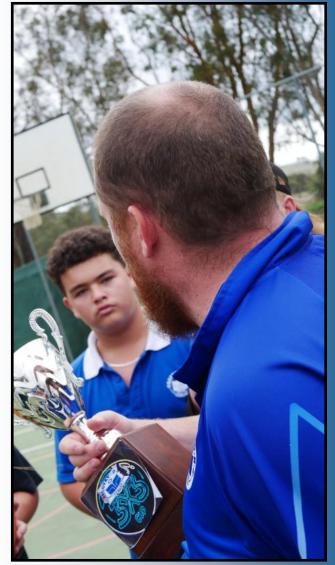
This Term the Faction Captains ran the 3V3 Secondary Basketball competition. We had 8 teams enter. The winning team was Matt (10), Seth (8), Jackson (8), and Halen (8). They won all their matches and won the final versing Noah (10), Ariki (10), Jayden (10), and Mr Holmes.

A big congratulations to all who participated. We will be looking at running a Whole School Chess Tournament next term and a Primary 3V3 Basketball later in the year.

Thankyou Mr Holmes and the Faction Captains Leadership Team.











On 20th June, Rose Power and Izzy the Lizard from SDERA visited our Pre-Primary class. In the weeks prior during their Health lessons, the students had been learning about passenger, pedestrian, road and play safety. Izzy the Lizard helped to consolidate the children's learning on road safety. Izzy taught the class about the five steps used to cross the road safely.

1: Stop at the curb

2: Hold an adult's hand

3: Look both ways

4: Listen for traffic

5:Think- Is it safe to cross?







In Health lessons over the past few weeks, the Pre-Primary students had learnt about being a safe passenger in the car, by sitting in a car or booster seat and not distracting the driver. They learnt that the rear passenger's door on the curb or footpath side of the road is the safest door in which to enter and exit the car. The students can now recognise some road and traffic signs and symbols. Students understand why they must wear a helmet when riding their bikes and scooters, skates and skateboards. They also learnt that playing in their backyard, or at a park are the safest places in which to play. They listened to stories, watched videos, viewed posters, sang songs and enjoyed lessons provided by the SDERA team.

Thank you very much to Rose Power from SDERA for visiting our school.

our school.

Lynda de Ruiter





Toodyay Public Library Visit

On Monday, Week 8, the Pre-Primary students visited Toodyay Public Library. We practised our road safety skills crossing driveways and a road, students remembering, to "Stop, Look, Listen and Think". They also remembered that when it's safe to cross, you should hold a parent's hand to cross safely.

On arriving at the library, we were greeted by the librarians, Linda, Carrie and Jasmin. Linda gave us a library tour and the students marvelled at the rows upon rows of books on the shelves. Then we were lucky enough to have Linda share three stories in the children's library. Before leaving, each student received a book as a gift from the library. All Pre-Primaries were very well-behaved throughout the whole excursion.



Here is what some of the students had to say about the visit.

"I liked having a look around the library." – Jesse

"I liked the reading and having a look." Boston

"Linda gave me a book about a dog." - Mia "Linda read us a book about a mouse and a strawberry!" – Tristan

Thank you very much to Toodyay Library, for the tour and we love our Lynley Dodd Books!

"Linda gave me a book about a cat." - Goldie

Any interested parents can help their child join the library for free.

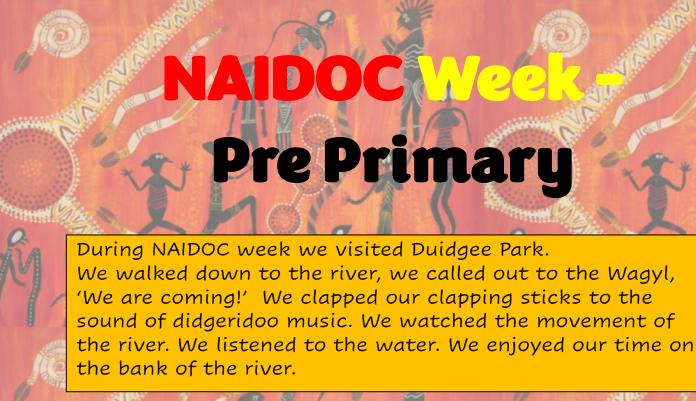
Just stop by and speak to the librarians.















Year 3 - Mrs Lee

I painted a boomerang red, black, purple orange and gold. I saw the magpie. I had so much fun. I saw the footprints in the ground.

By Steven.









Bilya Koort Boodja

On Thursday the 8 of June the class and I went on the bus to Bilya Koort Boodja. When we got there, we were split into two groups. My group painted boomerangs. My boomerang is purple, blue, gold, silver, and magenta. Then we swapped with the other group and watched this video of people dancing in the sky. Then we went over to an interactive board, and it was very cool. Then the girl told us about flowers and kangaroo skin. After reading about all the stuff we got these speaker things and we had to scan a QR code to hear the voice through the speaker. When we left, we all said thank you before we left. Then we all hopped on the bus and headed back. I loved the excursion because of the interactive board.





Year 3 - Mrs Lee

Bilya Koort Boodja

On Thursday the 8 of June we went to Northam on a bus with our class to Bilya Koort Boodja.

First we got into groups. Then we painted boomerangs we did the base colour. Then we painted aboriginal symbols on it. We put it outside in the sun and we went inside.

We swapped groups and we went in this room that had cool lighting and a big mirror on the wall at the back. We went in a big room then we seen tables with cool stuff on it. There were kangaroo skins, leaves, magpie feathers and little seed pods.

We got pods and you can scan the QR code and put the pods on it then you can listen to a story. At the end some Elders were talking about when they were growing up and that the went to St Joes school

My favourite part was painting the boomerangs. I painted mine white and then I painted aboriginal symbols. Emu tracks, people, and snake tracks.





Year 3 NAIDOC Week Excursion-Gnulla Karnany Waangkiny







Jordan- The Noongar name for land is "boodja".

Ben- The Noongar name for Northam is "Narrjuk"

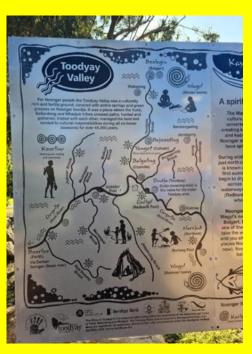
Cade- The Noongar name for Toodyay is "Duidgee".

Meredith- The prisoners were transferred from the Toodyay lock up to Rottnest Island.

Laura- At Duidgee Park there are signs that show the Wagyl and tell us where he went in the Avon River.

Amelia - On the signs were Noongar symbols for walking, shelter, star, campfire and footprints.

Mia- On the sign at Duidgee Park it showed a map of the Avon River and the brooks in Toodyay.



NAIDOC Excursion—Year 3/4





Toodyay DHS Parents & Citizens Association

email pandstoodwydbacumul.com, Facebook 'Toodyay DHS P&C' President - Kelly-Anne Murray on 0406 585 716

Thank you to Toodyay Tyre & Exhaust!

Thanks to Chris and Tash from Toodyay Tyre & Exhaust for picking up the cost of removing a pile of truck tyres left over after construction of the nature playground last year. The cost saving for the P&C is \$1,248! Thanks you for your ongoing support Toodyay Tyre & Exhaust.



A more welcoming undercover area will be here soon - from this to



Can you imagine ...

- a dry space with more natural light
- warm and durable carpet to play on
- a freshly painted canteen wall in shades of Toodyay DHS blue
- canteen menu boards and a school notice board
- · new LED lights, and
- refurbished bench seating

If all goes to plan, this is what students, staff and parents will return to after the school holidays. Your P&C volunteers have been busy little bees sourcing tradespeople and materials for the undercover area transformation.

And that's not all, in term 3 we're also planning to install a Triple PA and Projection System and possibly replace the glass lever doors with roller

doors (funding permitting).

This fabulous, much need investment has been made possible by the incredibly generous **contribution of** \$45,000 from the Community Bank Toodyay and Districts.



The Community Bank's sponsorship will result in a direct and enduring benefit for the school's 300 students, staff and families. The refurbishment will create a much more comfortable and welcoming space for the school to gather, strengthening a sense of belonging and pride in our school community. Students will have access to and learn how to use PA and projection system technology when facilitating assemblies and other school events.

This added value to school events and performances is significant and the possibilities are endless. In addition to the Community Bank Toodyay & Districts sponsorship, the P&C will contribute approximately \$30,000 to this project, bringing the investment value to around \$75,000. Wow!

Toodyay Op Shop cubby house donation

Students in kindergarten and pre-primary are in for a real treat in term 3 with the impending arrival of a magnificent new cubby house. Thanks to the **Toodyay Op Shop's donation of \$2,500 and another \$2,500 from the P&C**, the school can purchase a new cubby house. We need assistance to collect the cubby house from the supplier and assemble it in the early childhood area playground. If you know someone that can help with this, or any other P&C activities, please contact Kelly-Anne on 0406 585 716 or email pandctoodyaydhs@gmail.com.

Wishing everyone a safe, healthy and happy holidays – see you in term 3 for:

- Athletics carnival on Friday 18 August
- P&C Father's Day stall on Friday 1 September



Awards Winners 2023

Zoe Thewlis Cohen Pearce Latisha Ahearn

Charlie McIntosh Eli Logan Deagan Parkes

James Cameron Matilda Williams Riley Munday

Alyssa Cooper Hunter Reid-Whistler Jay-D Thomas

Ilarah Nikolaenko Dre Dick Matilda Candeloro

Mya Westberg Chase Eatt Gia Nicholson

Tane White Jaxon Walker Jaxon Brown

Tayt Cook Kira McConnell Year 9 ASDAN Students



TDHS P&C - Open Monday and Friday



Recess		Monday and Friday	
Hashbrown	\$1.50	Pie	\$3.00
Pizza Cheesie	\$1.50	Sausage Roll	\$3.00
Mini Croissant	\$1.50	Party Pie/Saus Roll	\$1.00
Assorted Cakes	50c	Hotdog	\$3.00
Potato Chips	50c	Nuggets	\$3.00
Jellycup	50c	Quiche	\$3.00
Pikelets	50c	Tst Chicken/Cheese	\$3.50
Pop Corn	50c	Tst Ham/Cheese	\$3.50
Choc Mousse	50c	Ham/Cheese Croissant	\$3.50

Icy-poles 50c, Moo Box, Juice Box or Water \$2.00. Sauce 30c

Friday Lunch - Meal and Drink \$6.00

Friday 28 Apr	Super Hotdog		
Friday 5 May	Spag Bolognaise with Pasta		
Friday 12 May	Meatball Sub		
Friday 19 May	Mac n Cheese		
Friday 26 May	Chicken/Cheese Burger		
Friday 2 June	Fish Burger		
Friday 9 June	Spring Rolls & Fried Rice		
Friday 16 June	BLT		
Friday 23 June	Ham/Cheese/Pineapple Yumbo		
Friday 30 June	Chicken/Cheese Wrap		

PICKLEBALL AT TRC

Come and play one of the fastest growing sports right here in Toodyay!

Tuesdays, 5:30pm and Fridays, 10am



REGISTRATIONS ARE ESSENTIAL

Email play@toodyayreccentre.com.au or scan QR code to the right to register your details



School Chaplain

Toodyay YouthCARE is responsible for funding of the School Chaplain, Doug, for four days per week this year. Unfortunately, we only receive partial funding from the Government, and need to locally fund the balance. Not only do we need to raise funds, but we, as Friends, seek to lend support to, and interest in, the work of the Chaplain, creating an added bridge between the community and our own local school.

We ask that you consider supporting this very worthwhile service and maybe even encourage a friend or neighbour to join the ranks of "The Friends of Chaplaincy". If you are interested in supporting this worthwhile cause, please email: johnwhite1@westnet.com.au

Yours sincerely

John White (Secretary)





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We've got sports covered



We are Australia's largest multisport program for 1.5-6 year olds!

- · Learn the basics of 10 great sports
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- · Physio-designed, structured & FUN!

Email play@toodyayreccentre.com.au for more details.







ASSESSMENT OF YEAR 4 STUDENTS FOR THE PEAC PROGRAM 1st - 2nd August 2023

The PEAC Program provides part time extension and enrichment for exceptionally able students in Years 5 and 6.

PEAC offers a range of courses that provide identified students with work that is intellectually challenging.

All students in Year 4 will have the opportunity to be assessed for suitability for the PEAC

Testing at TOODYAY DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL will occur on 1st - 2nd August 2023.

If your child is unwell on the specified test day above, please contact Mrs. Josephine Bartlett within 24 hours to request a catch-up test.

The scores from the test will be used to select eligible students for PEAC courses and extension programs during 2024 to 2025. The test scores will also be used to inform educational provision in schools. Parents/Guardians/Caregivers of eligible students will be notified via email in Term 4.

If you do not wish your child to be included in the PEAC assessment, please notify the school in writing by 19th July 2023.

Yours sincerely

David Ball



ADHD Triple P Presentation

Being a parent brings joys and challenges. But parents of children diagnosed with ADHD can face special challenges. They may need to learn extra ways of supporting their children. They may feel frustrated if their parenting strategies don't seem to work. Too high expectations can lead to conflict and disappointment. This workshop will provide you with some suggestions to help you support your child.

Join Webex meeting

Meeting number (access code): 2650 948 9138 Meeting password: n24nDp6psP4

Join from a video system or application

Dial 26509489138@educationwa.webex.com

You can also dial 210.4.202.4 and enter your meeting number.

Tap to join from a mobile device (attendees only)

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Global call-in numbers

Australia Toll:+61-29037-0069 Can't join the meeting?

If you are a host, <u>click here</u> and login site to view host information. IMPORTANT NOTICE: Please note that this Webex services assess audio and other information services are using the session to be recorded, which may be discoverable in a legal matter. By joining this session, you automatically services to such recordings. If you do not assess to being recorded, discuss your concerns with the host or do not join the session.

Information for parents

Apply for KidSport funding and help your children experience the benefits of club sport.

Connect children with community sport with up to \$150 from KidSport.

Did you know children between 5 and 18 years who are named on a valid Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card may be eligible to receive up to \$150 per calendar year towards club fees for approved KidSport Clubs?

The KidSport online application process is quick and easy and our promotional toolkit makes it even easier to share the good news with your community.

Access templates for your newsletters, website, social media or parent communications so more children can experience the physical, social and emotional benefits of joining a club and participating in community sport.

KidSport is delivered by the Department of Local Government Sport and Cultural Industries in partnership with local governments throughout Western Australia. Visit www.dlgsc.wa.gov.au/kidsport or call us on 08 9492 9911 for more information.



TERM 3 PLANNER 2023

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
17 July School Commences	18	19	20	21
24	Year 10 White card	Year 10 White Card	27	28
31	1 August	2	3	4
7	8	9 Primary Jumps & Throws—Athletics	10	11
14	15	16	17	18 Athletics Carnival
21	22 Bunnings Incursion K/PP	23	24	25
28	29	30	31	1 September
4	5	6 Zero 2 Hero - In	7	8
OLNA—Yr 10		your head forum - Student Leaders		Interschool Athletics Carnival
0LNA—Year 10	12	13	14 Astronomy Incursion	15
18 Country Week - Highschool	19	20	21	22 End of Term