Year 11 Camp

Year 11 camp this year was held on 22-25 October at The Tops Conference Centre, Stanwell Tops. The camp was part of the Crossroads Program and enabled the 161 students to complete this part of their HSC course in a fun filled, adventurous atmosphere. The students were divided into 7 random groups and participated in a number of challenging activities including, the giant swing, leap of faith, mission impossible and survivor. It was enlightening to see the students believing in themselves and showing a willingness to set goals and strive for them. Hopefully, these skills will be translated into their everyday lives as they prepare for the HSC in 2009.

I would like to thank the teachers who accompanied Year 11 on their 3 day camp: Mr. Clarke, Mr. Erwin, Mr. Nesbitt, Mr. Webb, Mrs. Hill, Ms. Davidson, Ms. Reynolds, Ms. MacKinnon and myself. I would also like to thank our Youth Worker, Rob Waugh for his inspiring motivational presentation on the Tuesday morning.

Finally I would like to congratulate Year 11 on their excellent behaviour and attitude. It was truly a pleasure taking such well mannered and cooperative students away. You are a credit to yourselves, your parents and to Carlingford High School.

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Congratulations

Fraser Nixon Year 10 has been selected in the 2008 NSW Pacific School Games Track and Field Team which will compete in the 8th Pacific School Games in Canberra 30 November—6 December.

Adam Spencer Year 12 has been awarded a Combined High Schools Blue for outstanding achievement in the sport of Baseball.

Balraj Ougra, Year 11 has been awarded a Combined High Schools Blude for outstanding achievement in the sport of Volleyball.

Pictures from the camp can be viewed on the Year 11 website on the Carlingford High intranet.

Mrs. Wilkes
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Year 11 camp was a really great time for us all as we challenged ourselves on the 18m high Giant Swing and the very scary Leap of Faith.

One of the best parts of the Camp was the Disco where we were entertained by the amazing Dance-off between Eshbeen “Rocky” Singh and Andrew Ngyuen. Also, all the teachers wore Pirate outfits to the Disco because they were trying to be “hip”.

Overall, camp was an excellent experience for us all as we bonded with each other and became better people for it.

We’d like to thank the teachers who sacrificed their time to supervise us—Mrs Wilkes, Ms Davidson, Ms Reynolds, Mr Erwin, Mr Webb, Mr Nesbitt, Mrs Hill, Ms MacKinnon, Mr Clarke and Rob Waugh.
DRAMA:
MORE THAN JUST A PLAY!

Term 4 activities in Drama centre around preparations for DANCE & DRAMA NIGHT!! This year the Dance and Drama Night will be on Tuesday December 2nd 2008 and will again feature works by Yrs 9 & 10, plus a couple of specially prepared items from our junior years. The theme for this year is “OUT OF THIS WORLD” – inspired by my visit earlier this year to the Rocky Horror Picture Show!!!

Year 10 are busy preparing some scripts from new Australian writers, and Year 9 are writing their own plays based on the “Out of this World” Theme. The night will also feature displays form Art, Design & Technology.

Those interested in some of the work we do in Drama might like to visit the school intranet and check out some of the activities we do – it is more than playing games and “acting” and the Drama intranet site was one of the first in the school to be up and running way back in 2003. It is currently under construction.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2008
ANNUAL DANCE & DRAMA/CAPA NIGHT -- Tuesday December 2nd

CARLO PERFORMING ARTS HALL OF FAME:
- Sarah Rowsell (Class of 2004 Dance & Drama) and sister Naomi (class of 2005 -- Dance) were performing at Riverside Theatre in ‘Aida’ along with Mum & Dad
- Michelle Milgate, mother of Alana Moxon in Year 7 was recently seen strutting her stuff in “Nunsense” at Hills Musical Society
- Catherine Davies (Class 2005 -- Dance) is currently completing performing ED5 she also recently choreographed ‘Guys & Dolls’ for Chatswood Musical Society.
- Michael Barhoum (Class of 2004) is reportedly working at Capitol records in L.A.
- Liz King (exchange student 2006/7 – Drama & Entertainment) is studying Technical Production at Saskwatchen University in Canada.

ESSA TEST YEAR 8 (Essential Secondary Science Assessment)

The Essential Secondary Science Assessment (ESSA) test for Year 8 students will be held on Tuesday November 25th, 2008. A letter has been sent to parents giving details about this test.

The ESSA test is a diagnostic test that will provide information about what students know and can do in science. Questions in the test are framed on Stage 4 outcomes and essential content in the NSW Science Years 7-10 Syllabus.

The test takes approximately 80 minutes. It contains multiple choice, short answer and extended answer questions.

Results of the test will be available towards the end of Term 1 2009. A personal report will be prepared for each student to describe the scientific knowledge and skills demonstrated by the student in the test. There will also be information about how the student’s achievements compare with overall performance of all students in the test.

Mr. D. Hopley
Head Teacher Science

developing responsible and independent learners
From the P & C

Reminder - Next P&C meeting(s) on Wednesday 12 November 2008
A reminder that the P&C is holding its last General Meeting for 2008, plus the Annual General Meeting next week.

The General Meeting’s main item of business will be on P&C expenditure, and motions to formalise the outcomes of the 2008 expenditure plans will be put. The Annual General Meeting will follow. The main AGM business will be elections for 2009 P&C office bearers, providing new opportunities to actively contribute to the running and to the successes of the P&C at Carlingford HS.

The General Meeting will start at 7.30pm, followed by the AGM at 8.30pm, both in the School Library. Refreshments will be served after the AGM, to celebrate the end of the 2008 P&C year. This will also be a good opportunity for a first ‘meet and mingle’ with the 2009 P&C office bearers. The P&C looks forward to seeing as many parents there as possible.

What are your hobbies?
Bike riding and being me:

Favourite TV programme, film, book?
Family Guy

Favourite food, fruit and ice-cream flavour?
Spaghetti bolognaise, Fruit—Mango

Ice-Cream flavour—Mango

Favourite celebrity?
Robert Downey Junior

If you were down to your last $10; what would you spend it on?
6 cups of peach and mango yoghurt.

If you won $20million what would you spend it on?
Buy 1000 cups of Peach Mango Yo-