



Issue 3

7 March 2018

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Stage 4 Subjects

Please note:

In Years 7 and 8—
History, Geography, Music
and Visual Arts are run as
yearly subjects not
semesterised courses as
stated in the last newsletter.



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Our school stands proudly on
Bundjalung land

Principal's Message

As we cross the half-way mark for the term, I have to congratulate the students, their supervisors and all of our staff for the effort and hard work going on right across our coverage area. Our teams have been hard at work ensuring that student needs are catered to and that work is delivered, gathered, marked and returned as quickly as possible. The use of the Canvas system makes this process very quick and gives students and supervisors the opportunity to get feedback in a very short space of time. If you are still using the mail-out process, this is much slower but your feedback will arrive.



I encourage all our students to keep up the great work, ensure you are on time with your title pages and put a priority on any assessment tasks.

The school camp is available to our students and the planning team for this has been busy ensuring that all will have a great time. If you are interested in the camp, ensure that you get your name on the list. This list will be prioritised based on numbers wishing to go, risk assessments and full time enrolments. It has been very well prepared and looks like a great opportunity for those who choose to take it.

The school planning team has been working at getting the new School Plan 2018-2020 finalised and this process will continue over the next month. Once this has been finalised, I will make it available on our website.

Our executive staff and teams are available for you to talk to should you have any inquires or issues to discuss; please do not hesitate to call for assistance.

Yours in Education

Daniel Henman

2018 SCSODE Camp

The Southern Cross Distance Education School Camp is coming up next term. It will be held in Week 2, Term 2 (Tuesday 8—Thursday 11 May) 2018.

The camp is for full-time students in Years 7-11. It is a 4 day, 3 night outdoor recreation camp held at Exodus Outdoor Adventure Camp at Buccarumbi, near Grafton. It is a fantastic opportunity for students to challenge themselves, get outdoors and meet new friends. Activities this year include white water kayaking, abseiling, flying fox, high ropes, river tubing and laser tag.



Please return the permission note and payment to Southern Cross Distance Education by Thursday 29 March 2018 for your child to be put on the camp eligibility list. If you have any questions, please direct your enquiries to Violet Innes (66810340) or Richard Mills (66810341) in the PDHPE faculty.

Technology report

Hello to all of our new and continuing Distance Education students. The tech team at our school is here to help you get connected to our lessons and resources.

Student Logins and Passwords

When you join us as a student you will be sent a letter giving details about all the logins and passwords that you need to study with us.

If you are a continuing student and need help with your logins, ring one of our helpdesk numbers on the next page.

Google Apps and Microsoft Office 365

Students can now use a school version of Google Apps as well as a school version of Microsoft Office. You can download Office for free to your **home computer** from your student portal.

1) Login to you portal account

2) Scroll down and expand the Learning tab.

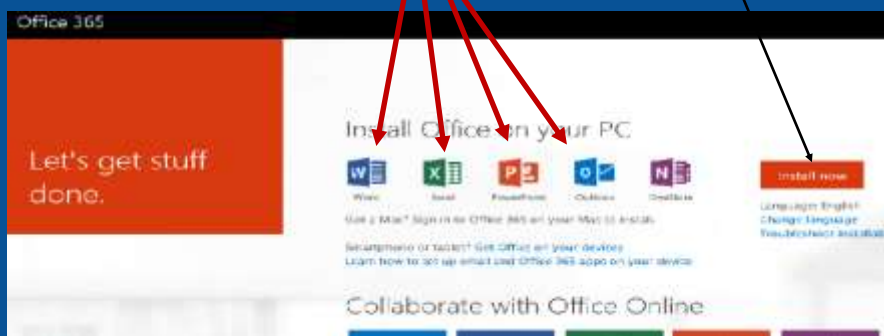
3) Click on Office 365 Download

4) On the Office 365 page you click on this link to download.



★ **Do not use these links.**

Use this link to install Office 2016 Professional.
(Students can install on up to 5 devices).



Tech Helpdesk phone numbers:

66810425 | 66810426 | 66810428 | 66810429

Students and supervisors are welcome to call the helpdesk for assistance with the Department of Education portal, email, online lessons, Microsoft Office and other software issues. They also provide advice with internet and use of iPads ,tablets, PCs, laptops and phones for recording, storing and sending files, audio, photos etc.

Student Portal and email

As a student you will be expected to make all email communication with Southern Cross School of Distance Education through your Department of Education email account.

You can access the student portal at the following web address:

<https://student.det.nsw.edu.au/group/teen-portal>

(Or you can find the Portal very quickly by searching for NSW DET Portal in your favourite search engine.)

Online Lessons

Canvas

Southern Cross School of Distance Education uses a learning management system called "Canvas" to host all of its online learning materials and courses.

To access Canvas, students use their Department of Education assigned email and password.

Instructions of how to access Canvas are located on our school website:

<http://www.sthcrossc-d.schools.nsw.edu.au/elessons>



School/Community Events

Interested in a Career in the Defence Forces?



Come along to an Information Session at Southern Cross School of Distance Education.

The Defence Force Recruiting Team will be visiting us to speak to students & parents who may be interested in the Army, Navy, Air Force or Defence Reserves.

Monday 19 March 2018 at 1pm

SCSoDE Ballina Campus (Cnr Martin & Crane Street, Ballina)

Contact Di Lewis 66 187 626 for further Information.



Urgent Request

To: Distance Education Supervisors and students — particularly students who have completed their studies for previous year and will no longer require the resources—please return resources that your student/s no longer need for their studies. Phone the office if you require 'Reply Paid' stickers on 66810300.

Items such as:

Text books, Science kits, calculators, hockey sticks, USBs, etc.

Your help and cooperation in this matter is very much appreciated as these resources are needed for students this year.

Many thanks

North Coast Public Health— School Vaccination program 2018

North Coast Public Health has informed us that the offer of the school vaccination program in 2018 is as follows:

All Year 7 students:

- **Boostrix (Diphtheria, Tetanus & Whooping Cough) single dose**
- **Human Papillomavirus (Gardasil vaccine) 2 doses**

All Year 10 and 11 students:

- **Meningococcal ACWY (Menactra vaccine) single dose**

Parents can take their child to their **Local Doctor** to receive these **free vaccines**.

TODAY
is the day to
learn something
NEW

Northern Rivers Green Innovation Awards 2018

We are pleased to be able to invite you to participate in the 2018 Green Innovation Awards. This is a new award that will be run for the first time in Term 1 2018, recognising Innovation, Team Work, Business Planning and Environmental Science.

The aim of the awards is two fold:

To encourage students to innovate in a 'green' way and for them to carry this passion throughout their lives.

For students to be acknowledged in a way that shows that their contribution is valuable; and to educate them that we all have a part to play in looking after our world.

The awards are open to any age group but will be judged in two categories: Primary School and Secondary School.

Create a new innovation or build on an existing one

Students will be asked to demonstrate innovation in one of four categories and can build something to present, or they can create a detailed plan of their idea.

The four categories are:

Waterways management

Waste management

Green products or recycling used in building or packaging

Biofuels/renewable energy

We encourage you to be creative, to conduct thorough research and reach out to companies within the industry for further understanding of current practices if needed.

Students can work as a class or a small group and can present as a group or individual.

Facebook page where we will be sharing ideas and inspiration:

Green Innovation Awards Northern Rivers

How you choose to implement the awards in your classroom is open to your interpretation.

We want you to teach in whatever way best suits your students and your classroom environment.

Entries will be due **Wednesday 11th April 2018**

Entries should be submitted as a 5 minute video sent via Dropbox to:

greeninnovationnr@hotmail.com

In MPEG, MP4 or AVI format

We will send a return email confirming that your entry has been received.

Finalists will then be selected from the entries received and finalists will be notified by the beginning of Term 2. They will then be invited to attend the presentation day held at:

Trinity Catholic College, Champagnant Centre, Wednesday 30th May 2018

Finalists will be asked to make a live 10 minute presentation in front of a panel of judges consisting of environmental scientists, business leaders and traditional elders.

The winner will receive prize money of \$300 and a perpetual trophy to display at their school for the next 12 months.

The awards are sponsored by Rous Water, and Goonellabah Family Chiropractic and will be attended by local mayors, members of parliament and local business leaders.

We wish you all the best and can't wait to see your entries!

Kind Regards

Dr Bridie Cullinane

Chiropractor

Background to the Awards

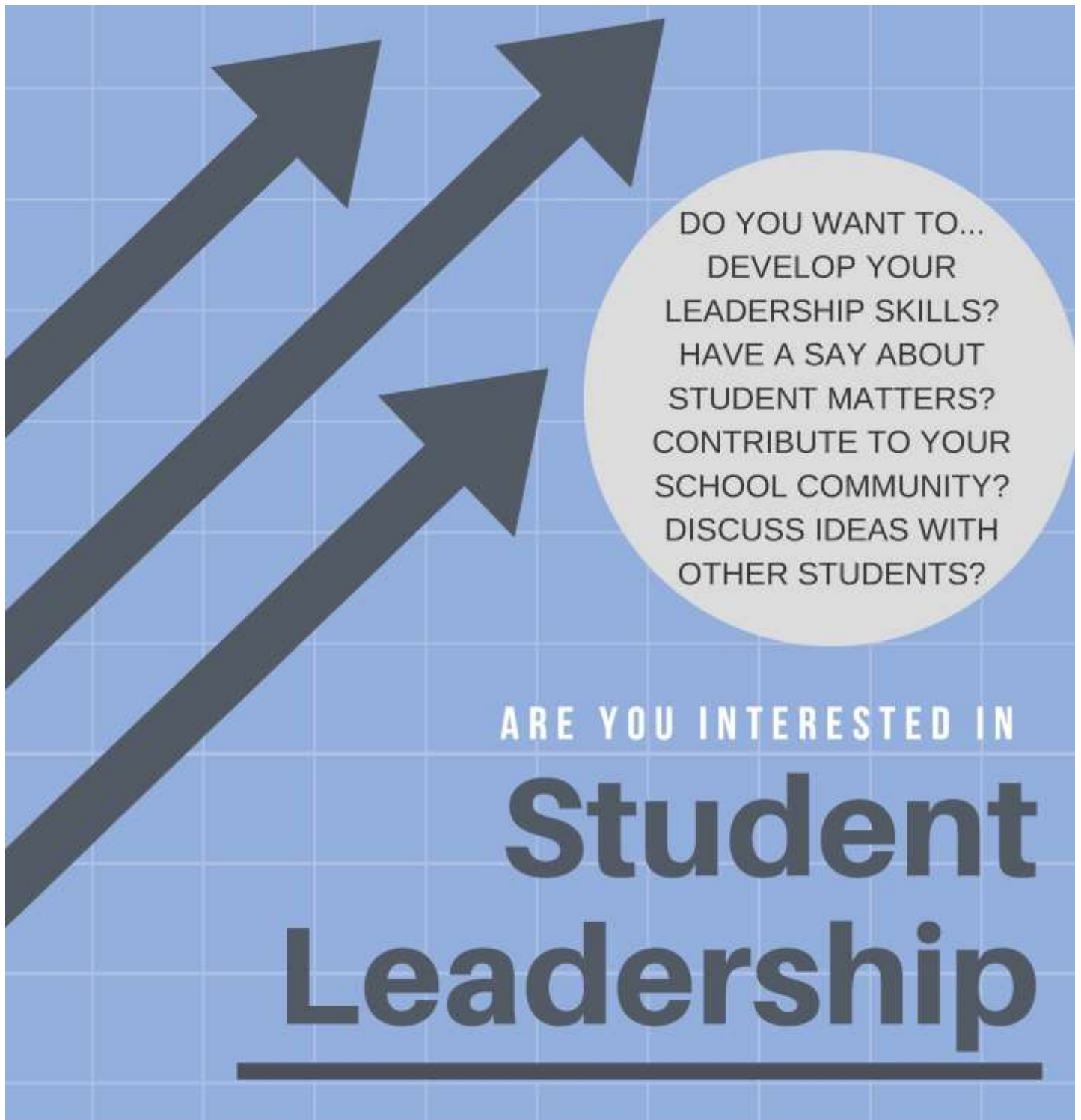
The Green Innovation Awards were born out of a desire for myself and my practice members to be involved in moving to a more sustainable way of living.

We were looking for a way that we could make a difference and came up with the idea of initiating and sponsoring an award that encouraged children to think about caring for their environment.

We are fortunate to have a large patient base of people who have a broad range of skills and passions, including many Teachers, University Lecturers, Environmental Scientists and Aboriginal Elders.

Together, and with the support of local industry and Trinity Catholic College, we have been able to make Green Innovation Awards a reality.

We hope that the awards will be a great success and will continue for many years into the future!



**BECOME A PART OF OUR STUDENT
LEADERSHIP TEAM**

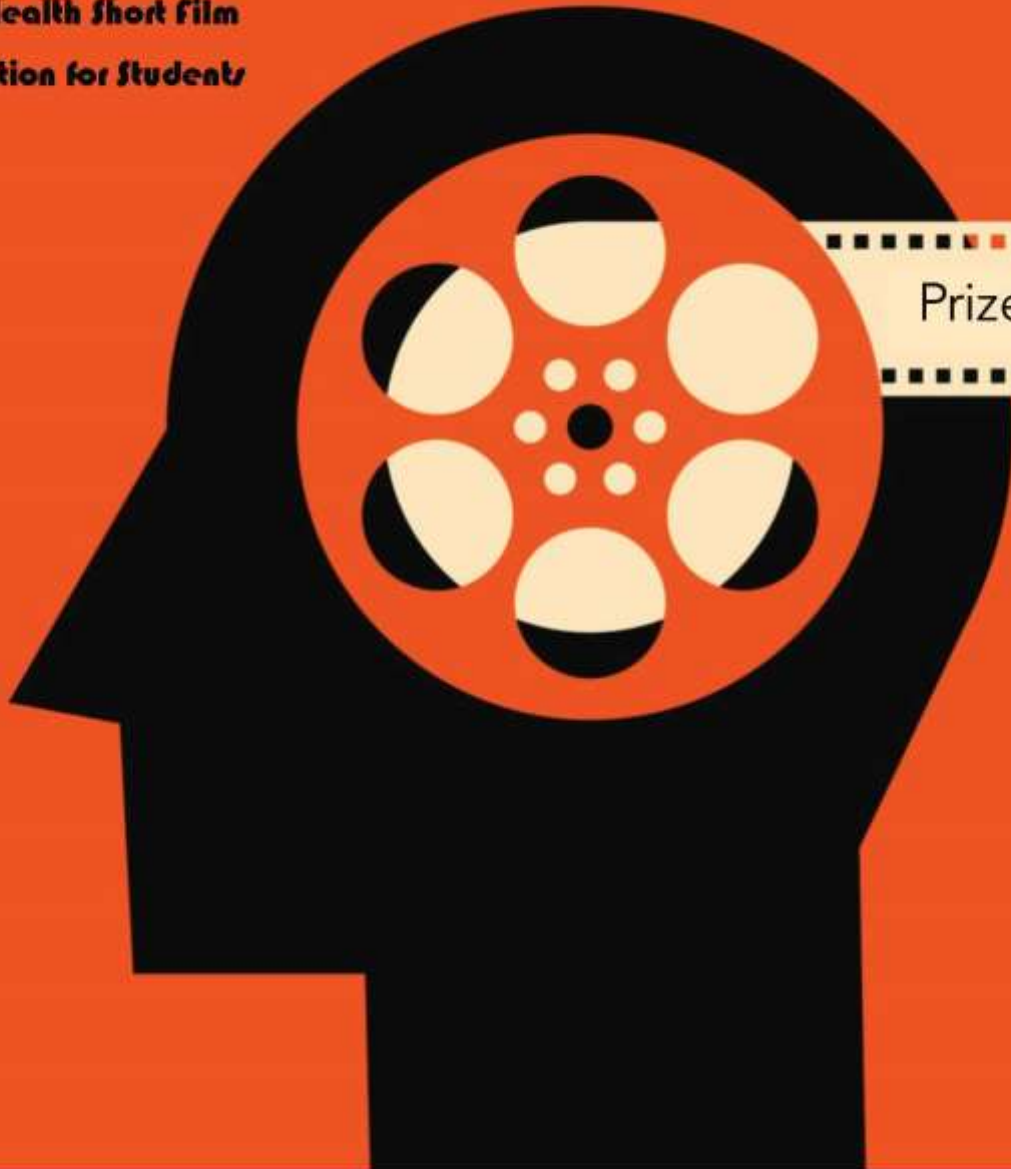
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Mentalicious

Mental Health Short Film

Competition for Students



Prize: \$500

THEME

MENTAL HEALTH: FROM AWARENESS TO ACTION

Entries Close 30th March 2018



propsyach

Are you interested in the Mental Health of yourself and others?

Are you interested in being part of the solution?

Propsyach's belief that solutions must include the input of young people has led us to initiate this short film competition exclusively for students in years 9-12.

Entries are now invited from students in years 10-12 across Australia & New Zealand.

Films must:

- address the theme
- max 5mins
- adhere to all T&Cs
- be fully submitted by the due date

see our website for full details, T&Cs and online entry

propsyach.com.au/mentalicious

Student Calendar 2018

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week 6 March	5 Coffs—English	6 Woolgoolga—English Glen Innes PDHPE	7 English—Yamba/Iluka Inverell—PDHPE	8 Tenterfield—PDHPE	9
Week 7 March	12 Coffs- PDHPE	13 Grafton PDHPE	14	15 Ballina—PDHPE	16
Week 8 March	19 Tweed—English	20 Glen Innes—Science	21 Inverell—Science	22 Grafton—English Tenterfield—Science	23
Week 9	26 Casino PDHPE	27	28	29	30 EASTER
Week 10 April	2 EASTER	3	4 Pottsville—Science	5	6 Lismore PDHPE
Week 11 April	9	10	11	12	13 LAST DAY OF TERM 1

Mini schools for full time students are in blue text.

SOUTHERN CROSS SCHOOL DISTANCE
EDUCATION

SCHOOL CAMP

WEEK 2, TERM 2 8-11 MAY 2018

Year 7-11? Interested?

Contact PDHPE faculty ASAP 66810300

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Richard Mills: richard.mills@det.nsw.edu.au

LIMITED PLACES AVAILABLE

\$120 per student

Day 4: Pack up - home time



Day 3: Morning - abseiling
Afternoon - river tubing



Day 1: Team building,
navigation games and hike to
campsite



Day 2 morning: white-water
canoeing



Day 2 afternoon: high ropes
course

