Hi all

Welcome to Week 7.

Winter has certainly arrived and mornings have been exceptionally cold.

**Assisted Travel**

Some of the new guidelines around variations of transport can be confusing.

ANY variation needs to be submitted at least 3 weeks prior to the change of circumstance. A variation may be for respite, change of address or change of personal situations. I realise and appreciate that this may be difficult at times; however it is taking Assisted Travel approximately 3 weeks to process forms.

If there is someone new or different assisting your child on and off transport, it is important that you let the school know so an email can be forwarded to Assisted Travel advising them of the change. Transport drivers are not permitted to allow people not on the “identified personnel” to assist during transport transition. I would suggest that you’re “just in case” list is revised.

**NDIS**

Last Thursday evening Year 10, 11 & 12 parents attended an information session focusing on NDIS guidelines and actions. The team from the NDIA, headed by Sean Pearson, provided parents with “start-up” information and answered questions about “where to go next”.

There will be 2 more sessions organised in the near future to assist parent’s transition to the new funding model.

**Entertainment Books**

Just a reminder that the 2015/16 entertainment books are now for sale through the school. Both the hard copy and digital version are able to be purchased for $60. $12 from each sale comes directly to the school. The books make great gifts so tell all your friends!!

Have a great week and stay warm!

Tracey
Kiwanis Student of the Month

As you are aware, Kiwanis are extremely dedicated supporters of our school. Each month they award a Junior, Middle and Senior student with a medal and certificate.

Sausage Sizzle Fundraiser!

When we return to school next week on Tuesday the 9th of June, we will be having a sausage sizzle fundraiser for the Senior School trip to Canberra. This will be in place of our usual Tuesday canteen. Thank you to all parents/caregivers for your continued support.

Were on the Web!

www.hunterrivc-s.schools.nsw.edu.au/
Room 7 students include Jesse B, Brennan, Zachary, Jorja and Rick.

Room 7 love to use the communication app Proloquo2go and Pictello on the iPad to document all the wonderful experiences we share. We take photos of everything we do and staff work with students to create stories about learning experiences in our room.

Jesse is Room 7 job man. He loves to do jobs independently and is great at doing so. He takes the role to the office every morning, delivers notes and messages to other classrooms and puts everyone’s communication books in their bags at the end of the day and sometimes he even wipes up for us.
2015
Hunter
School Leavers Expo
For Students with Disability/Ongoing Medical Conditions
Thursday 23 July | 9.00 am–1.00 pm

Our Venue - Hunter Stadium
Kindly sponsored by Hunter Venues

WHERE
Level 2, Hunter Stadium, 294 Turton Road, Broadmeadow | http://hunterstadium.com.au/location

Enter through the main entrance pictured above where you’ll find our Welcome table and musical entertainment! The lifts go straight from this foyer to the Expo at Level 2. We’ll have lots of helpers moving around with “Ask Me” badges to point you in the right direction.

ACCESSIBILITY
There are multiple lifts to Level 2 to ensure students, families, staff and providers can access the Expo with ease.

PARKING
Lots of parking! If they can handle a Knight’s game they can handle us.

WHO SHOULD COME?
Students with disability or an ongoing medical condition, families, carers, staff who support students/clients/participants with disability or ongoing medical conditions, and anyone involved in career and transition planning.

HELP TO PLAN YOUR LIFE AFTER SCHOOL!

ABOUT THE EXPOS
You may not think of yourself as having a ‘disability’ but the definition under the Disability Discrimination Act is broad and includes learning disability, Autism Spectrum Disorders, medical conditions, mental illness, physical conditions, sensory impairments, intellectual disability, and much more. Do you have to put in extra effort at school because of your disability or condition? If so, then this Expo is for you.

WHO WILL BE THERE? Apart from the Knights!!
We have lots of services booked and you won’t find them together anywhere else!

- University of Newcastle disability staff
- TAFE & other training providers
- Australian Apprenticeship Support Network providers
- Employment Services – DES/jobactive
- Australian Disability Enterprises
- Disability Services
- National Disability Insurance Scheme
- Ability Links
- National Disability Coordination Officer Program (NDCO)
- Health Transition Care
- Aboriginal Employment Strategy staff
- NSW Companion Cards
- Plus many more... it’ll be a full house!
Check our Facebook page for updates

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