Mission Statement
Bega High School is committed to providing excellence in education, which prepares all students to contribute responsibly to a changing world by preparing students to be:

- Skilled lifelong learners
- Balanced in their life
- Skilled problem solvers and decision makers in relation to all aspects of their lives
- Responsible and compassionate citizens
- Self-confident
- Valued group participants

Principal’s Report
Collaborative culture, milestones, strategic directions, engagement levels, 21C skills, digital evolution, empowerment, flipped classrooms, digital natives, accreditation, school complexity, curriculum options, bring your own technology – just a few of the concepts featuring in my many professional conversations, deliberations and activities.

The Sapphire Coast Learning Community Awards Presentation reminded us all of the importance of a collaborative and shared approach to the education of children and supporting the development of a range of skills that are needed to be successful in education and in life. Curriculum planning not only includes the content and strategies set out by educational authorities, it must also focus on developing and using 21st Century skills:

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thoughtfullearning.com
The NSW Board of Studies represents these skills as the General Capabilities featured in all syllabus documents: Literacy, Numeracy, ICT capability, Critical and creative thinking, Personal and social capability, Intercultural understanding, Ethical understanding.

You might like to watch the following YouTube explanations:
https://youtu.be/nA1Aqp0sPQo https://youtu.be/qwJhZcAd0I

With planning well underway for 2016 – identifying student numbers, staffing capacity, curriculum patterns, transition activities, financial priorities – we need to consider, as an educational community, what we can do to ensure that Bega High School is evolving to meet the needs of students for the 21st century. We will be seeking input, feedback and expertise to establish directions for the school, especially in the areas of technology literacy and productive leadership.

One development in the digital world for students is that they have access to Office365 and Google Apps for Education in the Departmental Student Portal – it could save many tears if they save their work using one or both of these platforms for assignment work; in addition, parents are reminded they can access the school’s records for their children – class marks, reports, attendance – individual username and password is available from the front office for access to our Millennium database.

One example of collaboration is the development of the STEM Transition program between Bega Valley Public School and Bega High. Very soon, Year 6 students will be coming to the high school to experience learning in a different environment, developing their understanding of science and technology concepts in completing projects that require research, critical thinking, teamwork and a sense of adventure (for both students and teachers). I understand the first project involves some sort of explosion!

One of the opportunities for students, staff and parents to provide feedback and data for planning is the Tell Them From Me survey for each group. Parent surveys are now open at the link https://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/j_acegi_security_check?j_username=parent16838&j_password=Beg8165

The school has added a couple of questions and encourages everyone to respond online or a hard copy of the survey is available at the school office or by ringing and requesting a copy to be sent home.

Students have recently been reminded that there is a process for leaving the school premises between 9am and 3.20pm. As has always been the case, a written note or phone call from a parent/carer, before the start of the school day is to be recorded by a head teacher; only then can a leaving pass be issued to an individual student. The note/phone call needs to specify the student’s name and roll class, the date, time of leaving and returning (where applicable) and the reason.

Thought for the week: examples of digital transformation:
- The first ATM was installed in 1969
- The first digital versions of newspapers emerged in the 1990s
- Booksellers have been digital since the mid-1990s
- Retailers went digital in early 2000s
- Video/DVD moved to digital downloads in the mid-2000s
- Schools – mid-2000s
• The first iPhone was sold in 2007 and the first iPad appeared in 2010; our children/students are digital natives as defined by the Oxford Dictionary - a person born or brought up during the age of digital technology and so familiar with computers and the Internet from an early age.

Mrs Linda Thurston
Relieving Principal

Coming Events
Tuesday, 18 August:
• Year 8 Geography Excursion to Bega River & Mogareeka
• University of Wollongong Enrichment program for 8A

Wednesday, 19 August:
• In2Uni University of Wollongong Enrichment Program
• Year 12 Music Night – 6:30 pm in school hall

Thursday, 20 August:
• Year 7 Vaccinations

Friday, 21 August:
• Open Boys Soccer in Queanbeyan

Saturday, 22 August:
• Mega Market Cambodia fundraiser in school hall

Monday, 24 August:
• Boys’ CHS Squash in Sydney (2 days)

Tuesday, 25 August:
• 8T History Mysteries University of Wollongong Enrichment Program

Wednesday, 26 August:
• HSC Practical marking for Industrial Technology subjects

Thursday, 27 August:
• HSC Drama Practical Examination

Friday, 28 August:
• AIME Program for Years 9, 10 & 11

Monday, 31 August:
• Cambodia Fundraiser Movie Night (Me and Earl and the Dying Girl, Rated M) at Picture Show Man in Merimbula (see flyer at back of newsletter)

Tuesday, 1 September:
• EcoRanger Program for 7I
• University of Wollongong Academic Enrichment Program for 8M

Friday, 4 September:
• EcoRanger Program for 7G
• State Athletics Carnival

Year 12 Textiles and Design
Well done to Year 12 Textiles and Design students: Meg Warby, Maddy McEnaney, Rachel Scott, Sally Lausch, Sophie Halliday and Emma Lausch.

On Monday 10th August students submitted their Major Textiles Projects to the Board of Studies for marking. They have been working on their textiles products and supporting documentation for a long time and all put in a big effort and completed their work to an impressive standard.

When Major Projects return to school they will be displayed in the school library and photos will go in the school newsletter.

Congratulations students!

Ms Ann Smith
Textiles and Design Teacher

Year 12 Music Night
Parents and students are invited to come along and be entertained by our 2015 Elective Music Class when they present their HSC pieces

Wednesday, 19 August
in the school hall
at 6:30 pm

Donations at the door welcomed.

Great singing, wonderful instrumental work – guitar, alto saxophone, double bass and vocalists of all styles

Be there and enjoy!
Sapphire Coast Learning Community Awards
On 31 July 2015 the Sapphire Coast Learning Community held its inaugural awards ceremony at Bega High School. Students, staff and community members were nominated in a variety of categories by their colleagues, who were then chosen by a committee to receive an award.
Achievement and Leadership awards were given out to students. Awards for Excellence in Teaching, Promotion & Development in different areas within the school environment and providing support were given to staff members, as well as an award for “Contribution To Education By A Parent/Community Member” of which there were 8 awardees.
Bega High School students were encouraged to work with staff in the organisation of the ceremony this included designing the certificates and program, compering the ceremony, greeting guests and providing musical items.
Lunch was provided by Year 11 and 12 Hospitality students, who along with Jennie Smith and Ruth Clark presented an amazing range of food.
These awards will become an annual event and will only get bigger, judging from this year’s response.

Bega High School Uniform Shop
Open each Thursday of the school term
Normal Winter Opening Hours
11:00 am to 4:00 pm
20% Sale
Thursday, 10th & 17th September
Sale Day Opening Hours
8:30 am – 4:00 pm
All items in the shop, including jumpers
Shop Stock only
No exchanges
No refunds
No rain checks
No laybys
For enquiries phone:
0417 028 864

School Spectacular Music Ensembles Applications
Applications are now open for the 2015 School Spectacular Music Ensembles – Symphony Orchestra and Stage Band. Please see the website for details:
Applications close Monday 21 September 2015.
For more information please contact Lindsay Pringle at Lindsay.pingle1@det.nsw.edu.au or phone 8512 1188
Sapphire Coast Learning Community (SCLC) Performing Arts Festival

On Tuesday, 28 and Wednesday, 29 July Bega High School students performed at Eden Marine High School as part of the SCLC Performing Arts Festival for Education Week.

We are proud to be in a great community of schools with so much talent and a variety of skills.

Our items for Tuesday Night’s performance were:

Item 1
Year 12 Elective class performed ‘Girl from Ipanema’ – Vocalists: Kelsey Kennedy, Georgia Haggar, Jaimee Inkster, Jessica Simpson, Jocooa Lee, Raeh Power & Pippi Watt-Meek.

Instrumentalists: Drums – Jack Malolakis, Guitar – Sasha Millhouse (Marley Faulkner understudy), Bass – Tom Limbrecht-Fox, Alto Sax – Riley Finnerty

Item 2
Jocooa Lee (vocal and guitar) performed her HSC piece, ‘Thinking Out Loud’ (Wednesday night as well)

Item 3
Taiko Drumming directed by Takako Teranishi and performed by Mathew Sheehan, Ruby Blacka, Tim Stoddard, Jessica Robertson, Amelia Curtis and Matilda Sutherland

Items 4 & 5
Music Camp Vocal Group and Music Camp Festival Band
These combined Eden and Bega High school students performed 2 pieces and included the following Bega High students:

Year 8: Ella Spurling (vocals), Mathew Gibbs (drums)
Year 9: Ciaan Argent, Maya Macpherson-Finn (vocals), Aden Lord (keyboard), Dermot Cooper (guitar) and Cylem Power (bass guitar)
Year 10: Juliette Bethell & Matilda McCarthy (vocals), Chloe Harlow (guitar), Matilda Sutherland (tuba)

Wednesday Night’s performance included a variety of styles and arrangements.

Item 1
Year 9 performed a ‘Moon Dance’ arrangement. Dermot Cooper and Daisy Boyle romanced each other on stage and provided great vocals with a little humour.

Accompanying the vocalists and also providing a smooth instrumental accompaniment were Kyle Britten (drums), Aden Lord (keyboard) and Cylem Power (bass guitar).

Item 2
‘Silly Love Songs’ was performed by Year 11 vocalists Cellestine Janiola, Annie Fitzer, Jazmyn Carter, Natalie Alcock-White and Abbee Hausfeld-Suffern and accompanied by Raeh Power (Year 12 guitar), Kyle Britten (Year 9 drums) and Cylem Power (Year 9 bass guitar). There were some beautiful harmonies and solos arranged by this wonderful group of music students.

Item 3
This was a spontaneous arrangement worked out the week before at the rehearsal at Eden. Bega High School was awaiting their scheduled rehearsal time. Meanwhile, a group of talented vocalists worked on an arrangement of ‘Royal’ by Lorde with a simple guitar arrangement.

As two items from Bega High could not go ahead due to illness this group used their initiative and negotiated with the organisers to fill a spot on the Wednesday night’s program.

Again, these students showed an amazing talent and flair for arrangement.

Credit and applause should go to Year 11 Vocalists Annie Fitzer, Jazmyn Carter, Natalie Alcock-White, Abbee Hausfeld-Suffern and Cellestine Janiola. This wonderful arrangement was accompanied by Raeh Power on guitar.

It was a joy to listen to such wonderful talent. These students made Bega High so proud! They are a dedicated, beautiful and talented group of students.

Congratulations are also extended to Elizabeth Grose and Matilda McCarthy for their excellent compering which they shared with an Eden High student and to Sierra Sharman and Carrie Evans played violin for the combined recorder group. They were fabulous.

Congratulations!

Julie Colwell
Music Teacher

Under 15’s Boys’ Basketball Zone Competition

On August 7 the under 15’s boys Basketball team played in a zone competition at the Bega Stadium. The team members included Dylan Moon, Sam Robertson, Alexander Eadie, Alex Cesnik, Findlay Geoghegan and Matt Gibbs. The boys played very well at times, beating Bombala, Eden and Narooma convincingly. The team tied for second with Monaro High School. Bateman’s Bay High qualified first in our zone and will compete in the next round.

The Bega High School boys played with great team spirit and enthusiasm making our school proud of their efforts.

Well done!

Sean Yeo
Expression through Movement
Dance coordinators from fLing came to Bega High School and presented a movement expression experience.
Expression through Movement is a revitalizing workout that pulls inspiration from music and dance. Because of the variety of movement techniques employed, there truly is something for everyone. Expression through Movement is fun, and also a great workout for the cardiovascular system.
The assortments of movements improve balance and flexibility. Movers are encouraged to translate the dance into their own bodies. Due to this process, body awareness improves. Sounding, or using the voice while exercising, ensures breathing and can provide expression of emotion.
The photos show Year 8 in the lesson.
J Green

PSSSA Athletics
Students from Bega High School helped with the organisation of the Primary Schools Zone Athletics Day on 7 August. Mr Ben Grant, the organiser of the day has made a big thankyou to the students who volunteered to help on the day.

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Wanted
SECONDHAND BEGA HIGH SCHOOL UNIFORMS
Any unwanted uniforms in reasonable condition would be greatly appreciated
All sizes needed
Donated items can be left at the school office
Special Education Learn Construction Skills
A number of Special Education students are completing a construction course and have been demonstrating their skills through the building of a number of wooden screens. These have sensory activities attached for interested students to interact with.

So far, there is a music wall and a water wall with plans for more interactive walls to come. Students are really enjoying these activities, especially during lunch and recess times. A big thankyou goes to Matt Collins, Mat Parbery and their team of apprentices.

Year 7 Art
Bega High School girls shine at Kezie Apps Gala Day

Over 70 girls from BHS recently participated in a fantastic League tag gala day in honour of ex-student Kezie Apps who is currently part of the Australian women's Rugby League team. Our school had the largest contingent with 8 teams taking part from years 7 – 12.

All of our girls displayed great team work, fair play and a positive attitude throughout the day. Our school was represented in the Grand Final match in each age group which was testament to the girl’s skill and determination.

Congratulations to all students who took part on the day or assisted with organisation. A special thank you must also go to the Bega High School boys who volunteered as referees on the day.

Cows Create Careers

Cows Create Careers – Manufacturing is a school-based program that introduces year nine food technology students to dairy manufacturing careers and education pathways.

A group of 28 students recently visited the Bega cheese factory for a tour and talk. Students were introduced to the process of packaging cheese products and spent time learning about the variety of career paths in the industry.

We would like to thank the staff at Bega Cheese, Mary Rankin, Tom Harbottle, Luke Bye and Leon Garner for giving their time, allowing students the opportunity to gain a deeper understanding of a food processing industry in their local area.

Ms Clarke
Teacher
Regional Netball championships

Bega High took the road north to Wollongong once again to contest the 2015 South Coast Opens Netball title.

Veterans Natasha Alcock and Sally Lausch were not available for play because the trip was during trial HSC examinations so Gabbi Johnston and Breanna Newton were called into the side. The rest of the team was made up of fellow year 11 students Lindsay McLeod, Ginny Renauld and Nikki Tarlinton, Year 10 student Tayla Wilson, plus year 9 girls Sam Barnes and Breana Clark.

We faced Figtree High in our quarter final match. The tall opposition required some of our shooters to shift into defence in order to gain defensive intercepts and rebounds. They did well and the entire team showed great flexibility as they adjusted to the varied combination. Bega came within 3 goals but ended up losing by a valiant 5.

In the repechage rounds we played Bombaderry High school and Nowra High school. Our team enjoyed the ‘nothing to lose’ environment and played with great confidence and flair. We won convincingly in both matches. This meant we finished up in 3rd position. This is a result that the young side should be very proud of. Thank you to Bev Tarlinton and Cathy Johnston for assisting with transport, managing and scoring.

Year 11PDHPE get certified

Mrs Morgan’s Stage 6 PDHPE class participated in the Provide First Aid course with Surf Lifesaving Australia. Students gained theoretical and practical knowledge on all aspects of first aid over 2 days. All participants passed and are now certified for 3 years with these vital life skills.
Behaviour Code for Students
NSW public schools are committed to providing safe, supportive and responsive learning environments for everyone. We teach and model the behaviours we value in our students.

In NSW public schools students are expected to:
- Respect other students, their teachers and school staff and community members
- Follow school and class rules and follow the directions of their teachers
- Strive for the highest standards in learning
- Respect all members of the school community and show courtesy to all students, teachers and community members
- Resolve conflict respectfully, calmly and fairly
- Comply with the school's uniform policy or dress code
- Attend school every day (unless legally excused)
- Respect all property
- Not be violent or bring weapons, illegal drugs, alcohol or tobacco into our schools
- Not bully, harass, intimidate or discriminate against anyone in our schools

Schools take strong action in response to behaviour that is detrimental to self or others or to the achievement of high quality teaching and learning.

Behaviour Code for Students: Actions

Respect
- Treat one another with dignity
- Speak and behave courteously
- Cooperate with others
- Develop positive and respectful relationships and think about the effect on relationships before acting
- Value the interests, ability and culture of others
- Dress appropriately by complying with the school uniform or dress code
- Take care with property

Safety
- Model and follow departmental, school and/or class codes of behaviour and conduct
- Negotiate and resolve conflict with empathy
- Take personal responsibility for behaviour and actions
- Care for self and others
- Avoid dangerous behaviour and encourage others to avoid dangerous behaviour

Engagement
- Attend school every day (unless legally excused)
- Arrive at school and class on time
- Be prepared for every lesson
- Actively participate in learning
- Aspire and strive to achieve the highest standards of learning

Leaving the School Grounds
Students are not permitted to leave the school grounds at any time unless they have been issued with a PASS signed by one of the Deputy Principals or a Head Teacher.

Students must be in full school uniform to receive a pass.
Parent consent must be given via letter or phone contact.

Temporary lunch passes - for that day only
No temporary lunch passes will be issued unless a note written by parents is presented by the student to the Head Teacher on duty before school.
- Such a note is for special circumstances only – doctor/dentist appointment (time and place to be given), special errand for out of town people. The note should indicate which business will be visited.
- Students must be in full uniform when leaving the school premises.
- A record of these lunch passes will be kept including the reason for the pass and the time expected of return. All students must return to school before the end of lunchtime.
- Parents will be contacted where there is concern about the reason for leaving school or frequency of these passes.
- The pass must be shown to any staff member, shopkeeper or police on request, along with the student’s identity card.

The school needs to know where, when and why students need to be “out of our care” when passes are issued. A lunch pass effectively places students in the care of their parents.

Other pass outs
- Students obtain the passes at the beginning of the day and sign out and in as appropriate at the front office.
- The daily attendance sheet indicates these pass outs.
- Students should remember to get these passes before 9.00 am from room 6.
SCLC Visual Arts Challenge, 2015

The Aim of the SCLC Visual Arts Challenge is to develop and promote the creative potential of students from across the region in visual arts. The aim of the exhibition is to inspire and encourage young artists beyond the classroom, providing them with the experience and opportunity to participate in a regional showcase of high quality artworks with like-minded peers.

Theme

Australia is celebrating the Year of Light 2015 – now it’s your chance to spread the light. We all have our own interpretation of how light and light based technologies are important to us. But what about the possibilities of light to change the future of society? How can solar efficiency be applied to improve the lives of those who need it most? How do we use light in our everyday lives and where can light take us?

This is the year for thoughts and discussion around light to fill minds with bright opportunities and ‘light-bulb moments’.

We want to educate people how light technologies work and inspire people to think about innovation and light.

From business, to arts, science, education and the environment; light affects us all from the difference in looking at stars in a city or the country, to appreciation of the importance of light in photosynthesis to the future of mobile phone technology. It’s time to think about what this means to you.

Dates:

- Completed artworks to individual schools by Friday, Week 9, Term 3 – September 11th, 2015
- Schools to appraise submitted works and choose selected finalists by Friday, Week 10, Term 3, September 18th, 2015
- Artworks delivered to designated pick up points (TBA) by Wednesday Week 1, Term 4 – October 7th, 2015
- Exhibition opening and awarding of prizes 6pm, Friday, October 9th (Week 1), 2015, then Saturday 10am – 4pm and Sunday, 10am – 4pm

Venue

Twyford Hall, Merimbula

Prizes

Prizes will be awarded for best canvas, best sculpture, photography, short film production and digital composition in various age groups. All students selected for inclusion will receive a regional SCLC achievement award for their contribution.
Community Noticeboard

ADVERTISING
Material relating to students will be advertised at the Principal’s discretion and does not necessarily reflect the views of this school. No cost to non-profit making organisations.

South Coast Music Camp
ENROL NOW so you don’t miss out on this year’s music camp. All orchestral instrument players of all ages and abilities (including beginners) are welcome to come along for a week of great music, excellent tuition, yummy food and plenty of fun.

Date: Monday 21 Sept - Friday 25 Sept (1st week of NSW school holidays) the camp is not residential - each day goes from 8.30am to 4.00pm.

Venue: Mumbulla School in Bega.

Please visit this website- https://sites.google.com/a/begachamberorchestra.org/bega-chamber-orchestra/music-camp/scmcenrolment and follow the instructions to enrol. You can contact Rosie Yee via email if you have any questions or problems enrolling rosieyee77@gmail.com

Shoalcoast Community Legal Centre
SOUTH EAST NSW WOMEN’S LEGAL SERVICE
FREE LEGAL ADVICE

FOR WOMEN IN SOUTHERN NSW
A solicitor will be in Bega on:
Thursday, 20th August
9:00 am – 2:00 pm

At the Women’s Resource Centre, 14 Peden Street Bega
Appointments are necessary – Freecall 1800 229 529
Mobile phones may incur a charge. We can phone you back

Hurry to book your free Indigenous Health Check

Make sure your family gets a great start to the new year! Visit Katungul Aboriginal Medical Service for an Indigenous Health Check. This is the perfect time for kids and adults to get a check up before the school term gets busy.

Places are limited so make an appointment now. Each family member who comes to Katungul for a Health Check will receive a $20 voucher.

Haven’t had a Health Check before? No worries! It’s easy, confidential and free. Our friendly Aboriginal Health Workers, Doctor and medical staff will do some tests and give you advice so that you and your family can be in the best health possible.

What is a Health Check?
> Checking blood pressure, height, weight, etc.
> A few detailed questions asked by the Doctor
> Vision tests and hearing tests
> Any other tests that may need to be conducted or if you request a specific test
> Any referrals if needed

Where can you get a Health Check?
Health Checks are available at Katungul’s Kurnama and Bega medical clinics, as well as some outreach locations. Bookings are essential.

To receive a Health Check patients have to be eligible through Medicare and you can check for eligibility by calling our receptionists.

For more information please call Katungul Reception on 6492 0532

ABC Heywire

ABC Heywire is calling for stories by Year 10, 11 and 12 students from regional Australia. If you’re aged between 16 and 22 and live outside the big cities enter your story in the Heywire competition.

Stories can be in text, video or photo format.
30+ winners will get their story on the ABC and win a trip to the amazing Heywire Summit.

Entries close 16 September 2015
For more information go to: http://www.abc.net.au/heywire/

We Give Life-Changing Scholarships

2016 Harding Foundation Scholarships

Eligibility
Female student in a NSW Public School, entering Grade 9 in 2016
Experiencing personal or socioeconomic disadvantage
Evidence or testimony from the School Principal of high academic potential
Demonstrated motivation to achieve academically and professionally, including an intention to carry on to tertiary education
Australian citizen or permanent resident

Applications close 27 Nov 2015

Apply at: http://www.publiceducationfoundation.org.au/scholarships/
The 2015 School Writing Competition is NOW OPEN! Calling all Australian school students. Write a poem or short story for your chance to win $1,000 cash ($500 for you & $500 for your school)!

All it takes is a burst of inspiration, a dash of creativity and a little bit of effort for great poems and stories to appear! We can't wait to read yours!

Entry is FREE! Entries close Sunday August 30, 2015. There is NO theme
You can write about whatever your heart desires!
* Poems no longer than 16 lines. Stories no more than 500 words.

Enter online: www.write4fun.net
Email: admin@write4fun.net
Mail to: Po Box 2734, Nerang DC, Qld, 4211
Fax to: (07) 5574 3644

The Somerset Novella Writing Competition
The Somerset National Novella Writing Competition is open to all Australian high school students. It is a wonderful opportunity for serious student writers and there are also some fantastic prizes on offer! The Somerset National Novella Writing Competition is proudly sponsored by Bond University and Penguin Group (Australia).

2016 Novella Writing Competition Conditions of Entry
2016 Novella Writing Competition Online Entry
Here's what the competition entails:
Entrants are required to write a novella between 6,000 and 10,000 words. Entries are judged by an expert panel, with winners chosen from each State/Territory.
Each entry must be submitted online. Entries will not be accepted without full payment of $20.00
All State winners will be flown to the Gold Coast to enjoy the Somerset Celebration of Literature in March 2016 and will also receive a cash prize. The overall National winner receives a first prize of $2,500, as well as a full editorial report from Penguin Group (Australia).

Entries close 4 December 2015.
For more information and details on how to enter, visit our website:

Free to a good home
Old style piano
Contact Carol
0431 437 048

Footprint Theatre of Pambula and Theatre Onset of Bega are collaborating to bring local audiences a heart-warming season of four short plays and more, from 20th to 30th August 2015.

“The Waiting Room” by Merimbula playwright Graham Brown is directed by Wilma Donovan

“You Call Out” is written and directed by Lis Shelley from Lochiel. Bega playwright Alex Nicol wrote his monologue "Barista" during the "write a play in a day" event last year in Bega. It is directed by Diana Nicol and played by Niamh Nicol from Theatre Onset.

Lis Shelley is directing "Driving the Holden" by Sydney playwright Gerry Greenland.

Jamie Forbes of Theatre Onset will also entertain audiences with "poetry so bad it is great!" by notorious Scottish poet William McGonagall.

"Shorts in Winter” opens at the Merimbula Wharf Restaurant with dinner shows starting at 6.30pm on Thursday 20th, Friday 21st and Saturday 22nd August. The following week the show moves to the Thimble Theatre - in the grounds of Bega High School - with concert-style shows at 7.30pm on Friday 28th and Saturday 29th August and at 2pm on Sunday 30th August.

Bookings for dinner shows are essential. For more details call 02 6495 7160 or visit Footprint Theatre's website at www.footprint.org.au.

Youth Week 2016 in NSW Design Competition
Do you love art and design?
Do you want to have your creative design seen across NSW?
Do you want to win $1,000?
We are looking for aspiring young designers to help create the look for the Youth Week 2016 in NSW website, posters and other promotional materials.
Youth Week is the NSW Government’s major youth participation initiative. In 2015, the NSW Government supported Local Councils across NSW to run more than 890 Youth Week activities and events.
The Youth Week Design Competition provides young people with the opportunity to showcase their talent as a designer and to win $1,000. The winning poster design will be used to promote Youth Week 2016 throughout NSW in April 2016.

Entries should be innovative, creative, and help spread the word about Youth Week. The winning design will include:
1 The National Youth Week logo (available for download at http://www.youthweek.nsw.gov.au/resources/)
2 The words 'Youth Week 2016'
3 The dates of Youth Week 2016 (8 to 17 April 2016)
4 The Youth Week in NSW website address: http://www.youthweek.nsw.gov.au/

Entries close 4 September 2015.
For the full terms and conditions and more information: Visit the Youth Week in NSW website at http://www.youthweek.nsw.gov.au/.
Or contact the NSW Youth Week Coordinator at youthweek@facs.nsw.gov.au.
We’re looking for bold stories about a human experience with nature, to inspire a new generation.

What inspires you? **The (re)Generation Project** is calling on 15-25 year-olds for your stories about the people and places that keep you connected. Personal connections with nature are powerful. They are essential to our health and mental well being, and they encourage ties with the earth that we depend on. So, in this ever-increasing modern world, how do we inspire a new generation back to the bush?

The ten best story ideas will be given editorial and production training including digital storytelling workshops and a mentor to help you craft it into a powerful and impacting digital story. You will then have the opportunity to participate in a premier event and online campaign, to share it with NSW youth.

Build valuable skills and networks, win prizes, show your work and have a lot of fun in an opportunity to create a positive change for our planet.

Online applications due 6 September 2015.

To apply and for more information, visit research.science.mq.edu.au/theregenerationproject

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**Call for entries:**
**Introducing the UNSW Bragg Student Prize for Science Writing**

This year the successful Bragg Prize, which recognizes excellence in science communication, is opening up a special category for high school students. Science enthusiasts in years 7–10 are invited to submit an essay of up to 800 words on a chosen mind-blowing experiment and the impact it has had – or could have – on society.

A joint initiative of UNSW Press, UNSW Science and Refraction Media, with support from the Copyright Agency Cultural Fund, the Prize is designed to encourage and celebrate the next generation of science writers, researchers and leaders.

The winner will be awarded a voucher worth $500, publication in CSIRO’s *Double Helix* magazine and on the *Cosmos* website, and an invitation to the launch of *The Best Australian Science Writing in 2015* in Sydney on 27 October. Two runners-up will each receive a voucher worth $250.

Entries close 7 September 2015. For more information – and to apply online – visit http://www.refractionmedia.com.au/braggstudentscienceprize
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Tickets on sale in the Quad during recess all week.

Cost $15

All money raised will go to the Cambodian Children’s Fund.

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Monday 31st August at The Picture Showman, Merimbula
Doors open at 5.30pm (movie starts at 6pm)

Me and Earl and the Dying Girl

The Picture Show Man, Merimbula
6pm, Monday 31st August

Me and the Dying Girl is a comedy-drama based on a book of the same name. High schooler Greg, who spends most of his time making parodies of classic movies with his co-worker Earl, finds his outlook forever altered after befriending a classmate who has just been diagnosed with cancer.

We are very lucky to be offered this movie pre-release in Australia, thanks to Fox Studios and the Picture Show Man in Merimbula. All proceeds from this viewing will go to Cambodian Children’s Fund.

We are in the process of organising a bus to Merimbula at a cost of $5 per person.

Please be advised that this movie is rated M in Australia.
MEGA MARKET DAY

BEGA HIGH SCHOOL HALL

SATURDAY 22ND AUGUST 9 AM - 3PM

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