



CALLAGHAN COLLEGE

Jesmond Senior Campus

Newsletter

Term 2, Week 1 2024



LIVING HISTORY

Learning on location in Europe



PRINCIPAL'S WELCOME

Ms Hayley Macdonald, Rel. Principal

Dear Families,

I hope you all had a wonderful break. We had some beautiful weather throughout the holidays and I hope you all made the most of those ideal Autumn conditions.

Heading into Term 2, we have many things to look forward to and plan for.

On Tuesday 4th June we will hold our virtual Parent Teacher Evening for Year 11 families. This is an important event in the Year 11 calendar, allowing teachers and families to connect, discuss, evaluate and plan ways to support and engage students. I encourage all Year 11 families to make bookings early to secure time with teachers to further support your child in their studies. Bookings can be made via Sentral, with more information to be sent out to families soon.

The Careers Expo is taking place on Thursday, 16th May, with all our senior students scheduled to attend. This is a valuable opportunity for students to research and make further considerations regarding their learning and career opportunities post Callaghan Senior College. I encourage families and students to engage with our Pathways team, including the Careers team, Deputy Principals and Teachers, to ensure learning and achievements are in line with desired career and further study opportunities.

Support for learning and studies are always available and we have some new initiatives launching this term. Check out more information on the following pages.

With ANZAC Day falling in the school holidays, we recognised this important day early at an all school assembly towards the end of Term 1. I would like to commend everyone that organised and participated in this service, along with all our students who showed reverence and respect.

I'd also like to welcome back our Europe History Tour students. What an amazing experience these students have had to immerse themselves in the actual locations of their studies, including some of the places we recognise during ANZAC services. We are looking forward to hearing their stories and sharing their findings with us all. I commend our travelling students for their behaviour and learning engagement during the tour, along with a big thank you to the staff who supported the students throughout their trip.

I wish you all a productive and enjoyable Term 2.

Warm regards,
Hayley Macdonald
Principal Jesmond Senior Campus (Relieving)



FOCUSING ON TERM 2

Events, learning, support and more

YEAR 12

This term is packed with crucial dates for Year 12 students as they prepare for significant upcoming events.

From this Friday, 3rd May, students can access the HSC written exam timetable directly from the NESA site using their student log on information. This is an important step in their exam preparation journey.

On Thursday, 16th May, the Year 12 Careers Expo will take place at Broadmeadow, offering students a valuable opportunity to explore diverse career pathways and post schooling options.

Singleton High School will host an HSC seminar day on Friday, 31st May, providing critical insights and strategies for excelling in the HSC exams.

The University Gateway Program hosted by the University of NSW on 20th June is also available for interested students. Finally, the University of Newcastle Open Day on 4th July is a chance for students to engage with tertiary education, gain campus insights, and make informed decisions about their higher education choices.

Each event is designed to support students in navigating their final year of secondary schooling and to enable them to transition effectively to their post schooling life.

As we approach these important dates, it's crucial for Year 12 students to maintain high attendance levels with the expectation being 95%. Being present in class ensures that you have access to all the learning materials, discussions, and crucial advice from teachers which are invaluable during this critical period. Additionally, staying on top of coursework and assessment tasks cannot be overstated. Keeping up with your studies and ensuring all tasks are completed on time will alleviate last-minute stress and prepare you thoroughly for your exams. Should students find any aspect of your coursework challenging, it's important to seek support promptly. Utilise your classroom teachers and the support systems being offered in the HIVE. They can provide guidance, tutoring, and emotional support to help you manage your workload effectively. Remember, proactively addressing your needs and concerns is key to success during this pivotal year.

YEAR 11

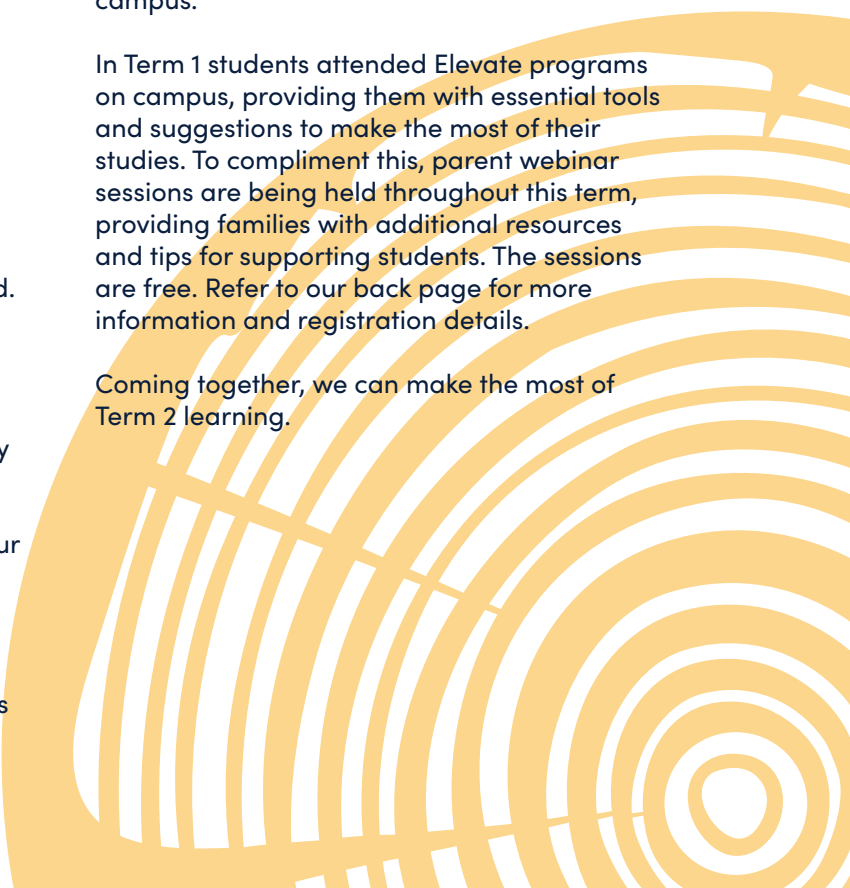
Term 1 was a great start to 2024, with students settling into Jesmond Senior Campus and adapting to senior learning. We commend students for their commitment to their learning, seeking out support and engaging with new classmates and teachers.

Year 11 reports will be sent out to families towards the middle of this term, followed shortly by our Virtual Parent Teacher Evening. These are extremely important events in the Year 11 calendar, enabling students, teachers and families to assess progression and achievements in subjects, along with identifying available supports. Obtaining feedback and support early in a student's senior learning goes a long way. Where necessary, creating change, offering support and engaging with others can make a huge difference to overall results and achievements in the lead up to the HSC.

In addition to the above, students should consider their future pathways in careers and further education. With subject selections carefully planned and accessing available supports, students will be well placed to achieve their future learning and career goals. To assist with this, we encourage all students to make the most of the upcoming Careers Expo and to engage with the Pathways team on campus.

In Term 1 students attended Elevate programs on campus, providing them with essential tools and suggestions to make the most of their studies. To compliment this, parent webinar sessions are being held throughout this term, providing families with additional resources and tips for supporting students. The sessions are free. Refer to our back page for more information and registration details.

Coming together, we can make the most of Term 2 learning.



SUCCESSFUL STUDY

Getting help and making the most of your study time

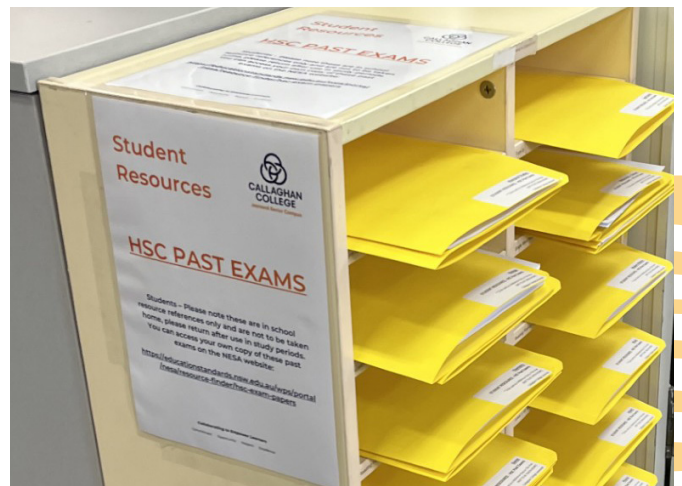
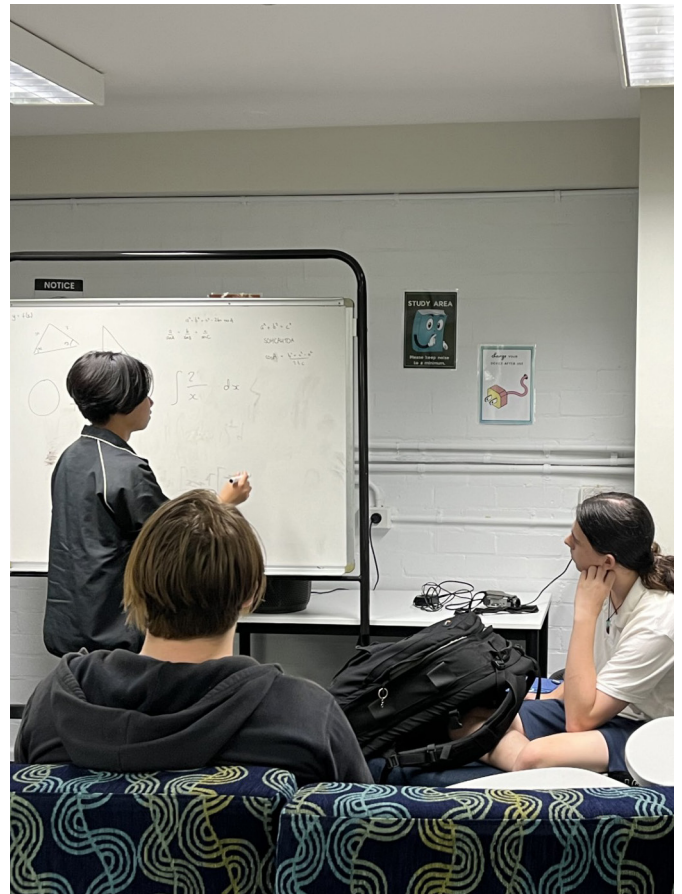
To each and every student at Callaghan Senior Campus, help and support is at hand for you to create your own successful learning outcomes. We encourage you to take advantage of our initiatives for you to make the most of your study time and achieve your educational goals.

The Hive is a great resource for learning support. In Week 2, mathematics tutoring will be commencing. EAL/D students can also access tutoring and learning support.

For those with free study periods, you will soon be able to access our new Tutorial Sprints program. These 20 to 30 minute sessions will be available during your study periods, with each focusing on a different topic. Learn more about time management, HSC verbs, ALARM, summarising, using AI and more.

Copies of previous HSC exams can also be accessed, getting you prepared for the time you sit your own exams. Private study pods are also available upstairs for independent learning.

Pop into The Hive and keep an eye out for more information on Sentral.



24 HOUR BIKE RIDE

Peddling for charity

Gearing up and getting fit - all for a good cause! Thank you to all our students and staff who recently participated in our 24 Hour Bike Ride.

Raising money for the Indigenous Literacy Foundation, students and staff rode through the day and night, rotating between teams, to continuously cycle for 24 hours. To help them get through, the activity was supported by live entertainment and students preparing and serving food.

It was a massive achievement for those involved, yet we were all reminded of another massive achievement, with our former student, Bailey Myers, currently walking his way across Australia. Bailey is walking from Perth to Newcastle, with last reports he had made it across the Western Australia border.

Our 24 hour bike ride supported Bailey's charity endeavours with the Indigenous Literacy Foundation. We are proud to support him in his efforts in raising awareness around such an important cause.

To follow Bailey on his adventures, check out Intrepid Australia on social media.



EUROPE 2024

Learning on location

A big welcome back to our students and staff, arriving home safely from their Europe History Tour. What an amazing experience to enhance their modern and ancient history studies!

Students visited modern and ancient history locations in Europe, travelling through Italy, Germany, Austria, Belgium and France. History came alive with visits to Pompeii, Rome, Dachau, Fromelles, Paris and more.

Joining students from Tuggerah Lakes Secondary College, students shared both knowledge and excitement as each new location was visited.

We're looking forward to both students and staff sharing their stories and findings with us all. Till then, let's enjoy some of their memories on the photo montage pages following or go the travel blog at <https://sites.google.com/education.nsw.gov.au/europetour2024/>









OUR SOCIALS

A great way of keeping up-to-date with the activities, celebrations and achievements of Jesmond Senior Campus is to follow us on our social media pages.

Our [Facebook page](#) celebrates our campus, along with providing general information on school events and important dates.

Our Instagram page is driven by our Student Representative Forum, giving a student voice back to our community, capturing the day-to-day activities of Senior Campus life.

We encourage families to join us on our social media journey, become more familiar with our campus and support our students in their learning and achievements.

Search for @ccjesmond



PARENT WEBINARS

Elevate Education have recently engaged with students on campus to help develop their study skills, motivation and exam preparation.

Throughout Term 2, parents are now invited to join a series of webinars, where you can support your child at home by reinforcing the skills they are learning at school.

The webinars on offer are -

How To Get (And Keep) Your Child Motivated
8th May 6.30pm

How You Can Help Your Child Prepare for Exams
22nd May 6.30pm

How You Can Support Your Child During Exams
5th June 6.30pm

Ask Me Anything (Live Q&A)
19th June 6.30pm

The webinars are free. To register and gain access visit -

<https://go.elevateeducation.com/auschoolwebinars>

CALENDAR DATES

MAY 16 Career Expo	MAY 29 Multicultural Services Expo	MAY 31 HSC Seminar Day Singleton High School
JUN 4 Year 11 Virtual Parent Teacher Night	JUN 14-15 Star Struck at Newcastle Entertainment Centre	JUN 28 Last day Term 2 NAIDOC Community Celebration at Jesmond

YEAR 12 SAVE THE DATES

SEPT 24 Year 12 Graduation NEX	NOV 11 Year 12 Sign Out Day	NOV 13 Year 12 Formal
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