

THE SMITH STREET UNIT

Annexe of Wollongong High School of the Performing Arts

Term 4 Newsletter

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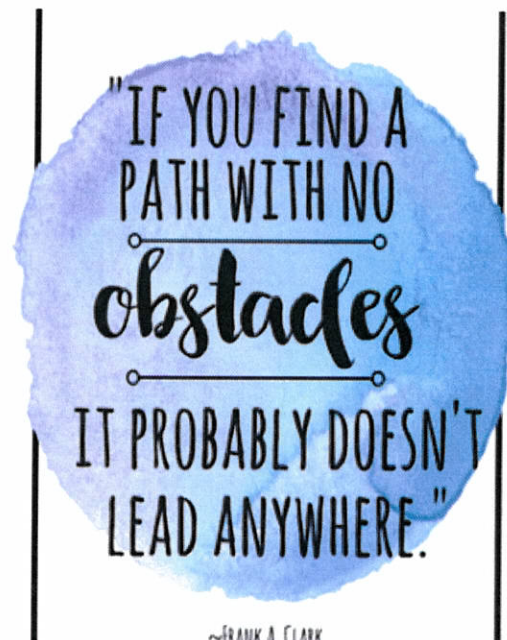


From Dale-Myree's Desk

It is once again the time of year when Christmas is near and everyone is rushing to complete the tasks that they have planned for the year. As always, when you look back over the year so many things have happened. The Unit has had a major refurbishment and is looking smart, welcoming and cared for. The photographs throughout the newsletter highlight the changes that have unfolded.

Sadly this time of year also brings goodbyes with Robyn Christofides leaving the Smith Street Unit to focus on her work at Bulli High School and Cyndy Starr leaving us to take up a new role at Bomaderry High School. Both of these unique and amazing women will be missed, and I personally wish them both success as they undertake a new journey along their career pathway.

One powerful way to strengthen our school community is by continuously improving the relationships between parents and schools. As we come to the end of yet another year, I want to personally thank you for your time and encourage you to continue to be an integral part of the Smith Street Unit next year. So much good can be accomplished when everyone works together to create a stronger school community.



IMPORTANT DATES FOR TERM 1 2020:

29/1/2020 Term 1 begins for students in Years 7,11,12

30/1/2020-Term 1 begins for students in Years 8,9,10

19/3/2020—National Close the Gap Day

21/3/2020—Harmony Day

5/4/2020—Daylight Saving Ends

REFURBISHING THE SSU

LIVING THROUGH THE CHAOS ...



We lived with mess, dust and disruption for months but the end results are definitely worth it.



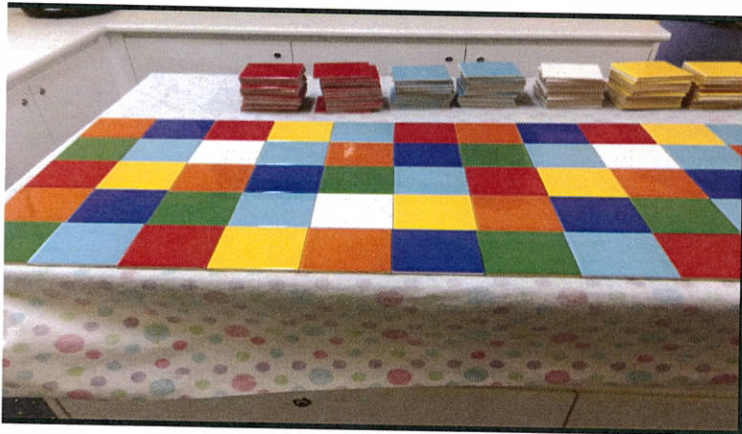
The newly painted meeting area is a pleasant and welcoming place for visitors.



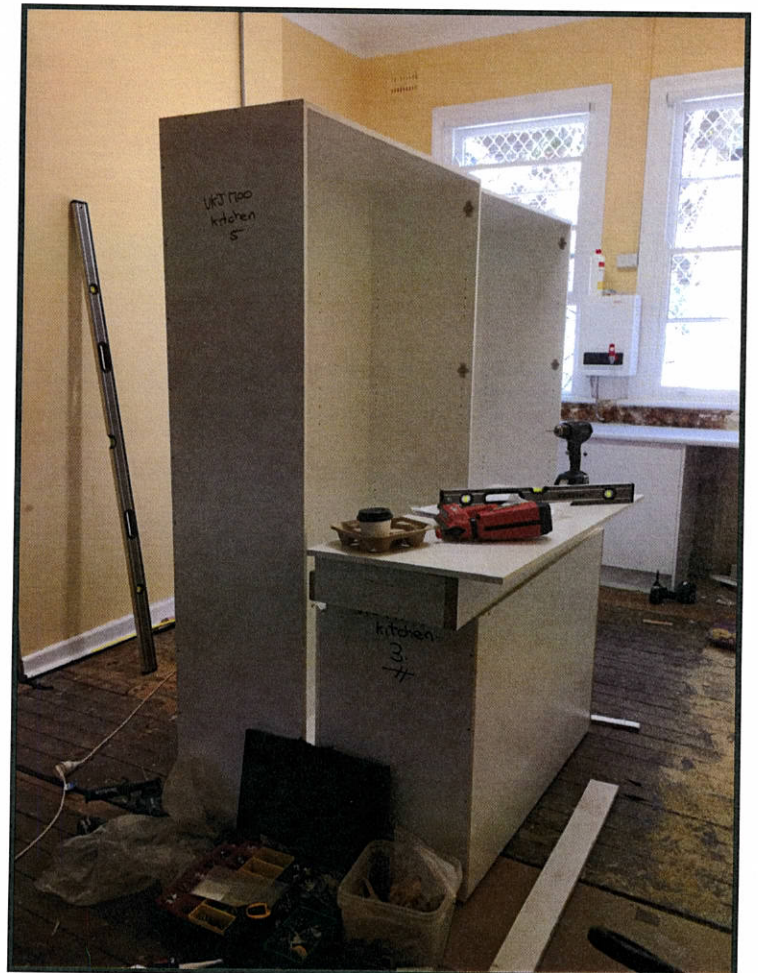
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LOOK
FANTASTIC!**

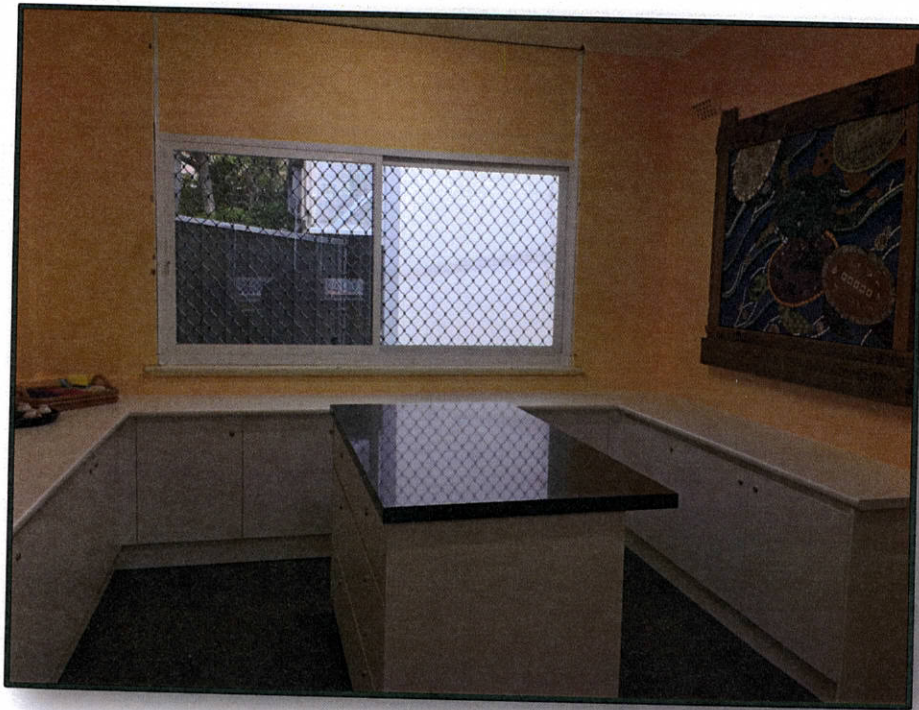
Mel at work in the refurbished administration office.

THE NEW KITCHEN—WORK IN PROGRESS



During the installation—we had to close the SSU for two days. As there was no power or water and big holes in the floor.





We are nearly there!

Check out the new espresso coffee machine. We will soon be training our first student baristas.



Creating a new, colourful kitchen clock.



The SSU Healthy Lunch Program

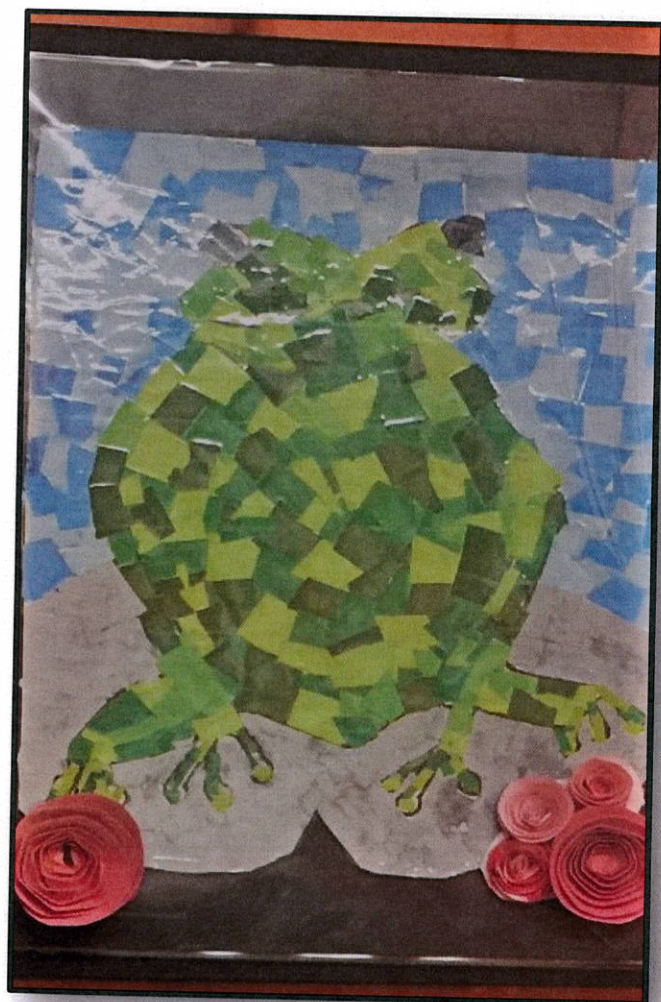
Each day at the Smith Street Unit, students can buy a healthy lunch with their reward points.

Petrina is our main chef and she is constantly developing new, healthy lunch recipes to tempt our students. The menu often includes delicious treats like curries, stir fries, pasta, wraps and hamburgers and some old favourites like sausage rolls, wraps, toasties and salad sandwiches.

Of course students have their individual favourites but each meal is enjoyed, each day by our students. Lunch is always a highlight of the school day. The school day always begins without at least one student eagerly asking: "What's for lunch today?"



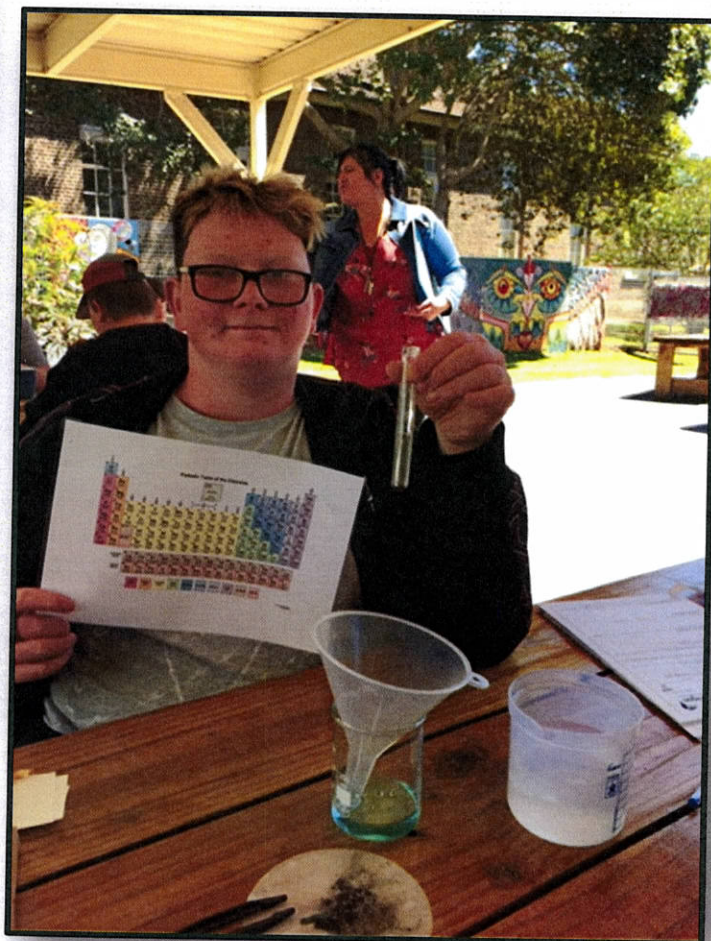
MAGIC MOMENTS—TERM 4



Daemon Stuttard Year 10 enjoyed working with his Science teacher from Finigan Distance Education Centre.

It was a great opportunity to enjoying doing some experiments with his Finigan Science Teacher. They had a WOW of a time.

As part of his Year 11 Visual Arts program Nicholas Scott created this fabulous photo collage of a green tree frog using a variety of colours and textures from found print images.



Jamberoo Recreation Park Reward Excursion

On Friday 15th November, students and staff travelled to Jamberoo Recreation Park for an action packed day of fun and excitement.

Students had a wonderful time and everyone's behaviour on the day was excellent.