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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

End of Semester 1 has come around very quickly. I hope all of you have a very safe and restful vacation.

Half-yearly examinations

Students in Years 9 – 11 have completed their formal half-yearly examinations and Year 12 is currently doing their examinations. The students worked very well doing their examinations, which is a great credit to each student and their teachers.

The formal examinations are completed in the school hall and perform a number of different functions.

They give important information about the students learning to each student, their teachers and their parents. Formal examinations also give students important practice for their HSC external examinations.

Half-yearly Academic Reports

The students' reports will be handed out to students before the end of the term. The Principal or Deputy Principal handed out the reports to the students in Years 11 and 12; this gives them the chance to have a chat about each child's progress congratulating those areas where the students have done well and encouraging improvement where appropriate.

. WALKING TOGETHER . LEARNING TOGETHER .

In general, the students have achieved well and this is to their credit! Well done.

School building improvements

Hospitality Trade Training Centre kitchen floor is being replaced over the school vacation which will be wonderful for those students who are enrolled in courses in Home Economics and Vocational Education and Training Hospitality across all years. This will ensure that the kitchen stays state-of-art for many years into the future.

Congratulations to Jimmy Fenton of Year 12 who participated in the Language Perfect world-wide competition recently and came 53rd in the world out of over 300,000 participants! We are very proud of Jimmy and his achievements.

Acting Deputy Principal for term 3

In Term 3, Ms. Karen Busby will be sitting in the second Deputy Principal's position for the term. Ms. Kerrie Corr held this position during Term 2 and did a superlative job! We are grateful both to her and to Ms. Ritu Madan who took the Head Teacher Support position for the term. Mr. Shannon Mudiman of course continues in the substantive Deputy Principal position.

Parking on Mulgrave Road.

Recently, a council ranger spoke with me about parents and friends parking in the bus turning circle on Musgrave Road opposite the front of the school. Parents who are dropping off students here must pull up just adjacent to the grass edge and not in the middle of the turning circle. Stopping in the middle of the turning circle is creating a problem for the buses which need this large space in which to turn.

If you do pull up in the centre of the circle, you run the risk of being booked by the council ranger or the police if they are patrolling the area.

It is better for you to use the turning circle to turn (safely) across the road and drop your child off on the school side of Musgrave Road in the drop-off zone. Thank you for your co-operation with this matter.

DEPUTY'S REPORT

Semester 2 Timetable

Year 7 and 8 students will receive new timetables on the first day back of Term 3. There will be significant changes to when your child's subjects will be delivered, however the major change will be to Technology and Creative and Performing Arts courses. For example if your child was studying Visual Art and Home Economics in Semester 1 then they will change to Music and Industrial Arts in Semester 2 and vice versa. This will mean that there will be some changes necessary in items of the equipment required for these courses. Students will be informed of these when they start the course. Please note that all practical subjects require fully enclosed leather shoes. There are no changes for students in Years 9 and 10 as their courses run all year. Should you have any queries regarding your child's new timetable or subjects please do not hesitate to contact me at the school.

Year 9 Boys Program

Windsor High School's Work Program for boys will be concluding at the end of this Term. The program has involved students participating in a one day a week Industry Based Work Program that has been in operation for the past 12 months. Students involved have achieved significant outcomes through the completion of various projects across the school including bricklaying and landscaping. The boys have developed strong practical skills through the success of the program as well as working as part of a team and leadership skills. Four of these students

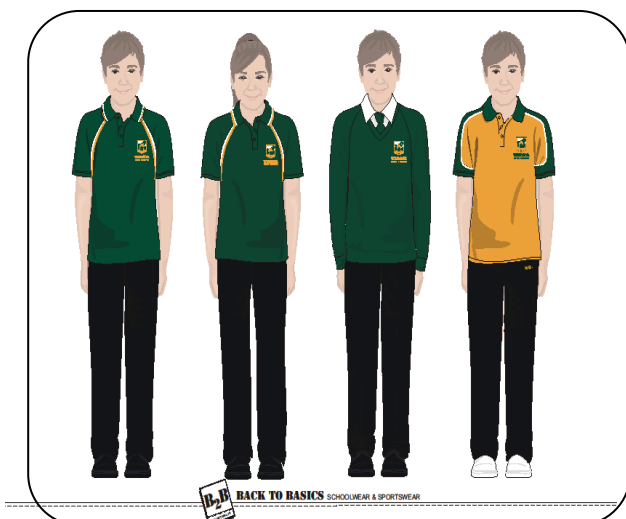


have since been selected to participate in a joint program with Windsor Primary School known as **SHED**. Our students will become mentors to several students from Windsor Primary whilst undertaking various project based initiatives at the school. The first project will be

a seating area within the school that the students will design and construct. Looking forward to seeing the outcome and watching our students work in partnership with those from Windsor Primary.

Year 10 Code of Conduct

Year 10 students recently received a Code of Conduct booklet which outlines expected behaviours at Windsor High. Students are to be aware that if these simple straight forward expectations are not followed, that significant consequences may be imposed. I took the opportunity to address the Year Group and ask if there were any issues or concerns regarding these expectations. To date I have not received any. These booklets were also to be taken home for parents to co-sign with their child. Parents who would like further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact me at the school.



Uniform

Winter has certainly struck with a significant drop in temperature in recent weeks. I urge all students to be prepared for the cold weather making sure that they have their green school jumpers or jackets. Wearing school uniform demonstrates a sense of pride in the school and also reflects a positive image of our students out in the community.

I wish you all a happy and safe winter holiday. See you in Term 3!

Mr Mudiman

ABORIGINAL EDUCATION

Brock Taranto Year 12 has received a Gilli Scholarship for achievement and academic excellence in Aboriginal Education.

Brock will receive \$1000 for educational support to complete his studies and to encourage further study after he completes his High School Certificate.

WELL DONE, BROCK

FAST FORWARD

On Friday the 16th of May, Year 10 students from the University of Western Sydney's Fast Forward program attended an on-campus event, which was based on Sean Covey's book, "The 7 Habits of Highly Effective Teens". The 7 Habits serve as a guide for teens to improve their self-image, build friendships, resist peer pressure and achieve their goals.

The aim of the day was to provide students with valuable tools and resources that they could utilise in the future, and at the same time, provide them with an opportunity to make new friends and have a fun learning experience.

Throughout the day, the students participated in activities focused on developing students' awareness around the decisions they have to face in life and the ideas of choice, responsibility and consequence. Congratulations to all the students who participated in this wonderful event.



Safety with social media



Social media is very popular with people the world over and especially with young people. It can really be very useful for keeping in touch and getting information. I myself use it to keep updated with a number of community groups of which I am a member. Windsor High School has a Facebook page which we use to post exciting information to inform the community about what we are doing!

However, there are some common sense rules for students to help them safely use social media; both parents and the school have a role to play in this.

- Children need to be over 13 years of age to sign up for a Facebook account. Children in primary school and most children in year 7 are too young to have a Facebook account.
- You don't know who is really on the other end of Facebook, Snapchat, Instagram or any other type of social media. We have all heard of stories where someone has been chatting to a person online and the online person turns out to be untrustworthy or even a criminal. Don't trust strangers!
- Criminals use the information people put up online to steal identities, passwords, hack into bank accounts, learn about your habits and so on. This type of crime is becoming more and more common across the world including Australia. We all read recently about the hackers that disabled people's iPads and iPhones demanding money to have them unlocked!
- Don't put up personal information such as your date of birth, address, phone numbers, when you will be away on holidays and that your house is empty!
- What you put online is there forever! You should only put things online that you are happy for anyone to see, forever!
- Check out how to use the privacy settings on your account and make sure you have set them appropriately!
- If people write unwelcome remarks to you, the best strategy is to block them! It is easy to fall into the trap of having online arguments, but it is rarely useful.
- Parents should monitor what is happening on social media but not enter into online arguments with their child's friends. Talk to the child about how to resolve the issue or seek support from the school.
- If harassment continues despite this, then seek support from your local police and the school.
- Turn the device off well before going to bed! Recent research shows that children who use smartphones, iPods or iPads or computers before going to bed have disturbed sleep patterns.

WELFARE NEWS

Congratulations to the students who were invited to the Principal's Morning Tea. It was a fabulous turn out and we thank all the students and their parents for being able to attend. Students were selected by their Year



Advisor for their outstanding achievement and commitment to their studies in Term 1. The students invited consistently demonstrate the school core values of Safety, Teamwork, Achievement and Respect. Thank you to Ms Koomen, Ms



Gildon, Mrs Verzi and Laura (our school chaplain) for catering and setting-up of the library. Our goal for Term 3 is to invite more students to celebrate their outstanding dedication to their studies.

Reports

Year Advisors have been reading through all reports for their year groups and have been impressed for the excellent work that is occurring in all classes. Students have been achieving outstanding results and producing high quality work. Congratulations to all the students who have received an outstanding report and a letter to congratulate those students will arrive soon in the mail.

Winter Uniform

As the weather gets cooler, students will need to start wearing warmer clothes. Students must be wearing full school uniform. This includes wearing the correct jumper and/or jacket. Students are not to wear non-school jumpers/jackets. **School jackets are still available to purchase for \$25 at the school uniform shop, these jackets will not be sold at the Kingswood Back2Basics Store.** Students are also required to wear black microfiber track pants. Fleece track pants are not school uniform and they are not to be worn to school. If you are experiencing difficulties in

purchasing school uniform for your child, please contact the school to make arrangements.

Permission to Publish

Students were given a 'Permission to Publish' note in Term 2 requesting permission for the school to publish and/or disclose information about your child for the purpose of promoting the outstanding achievements and programs running at the school to the community. This includes publishing student photographs, names, sound and visual recordings. We would be publishing this information on our school website, newsletters, our Facebook Page, local newspapers and any school promotional material. If you have not signed this note and returned to the school please print a copy from the school website or collect a copy from the Front Office. This permission note needs to be returned to the school with the appropriate box ticked.

Year 7 and 8 Home Group

Term 2 has been busy for Year 7 and 8 in Home Group. Home Group is a class that occurs once a fortnight where a range of programs to support the emotional, social and academic learning needs of the students are carried out. Term 2 saw the completion of the Peer Support Program. Year 7 students worked with Year 10 Peer Leaders on developing key skills in resilience, assertiveness, decision making, problem solving and leadership. In Term 3, Year 7 will commence the Anti-Bullying Program 'Take a Stand', incorporating popular culture to assist students in their understanding. This program will cover the following topics:

- What is bullying?
- Types of Bullying
- Bystander Behaviour
- Cyber-Bullying
- Responses to Bullying.



Year 8 are still participating in the Real Game. This program shows students how their school work, social life, work and community experience contribute to the many opportunities open to them.

Primary School Links

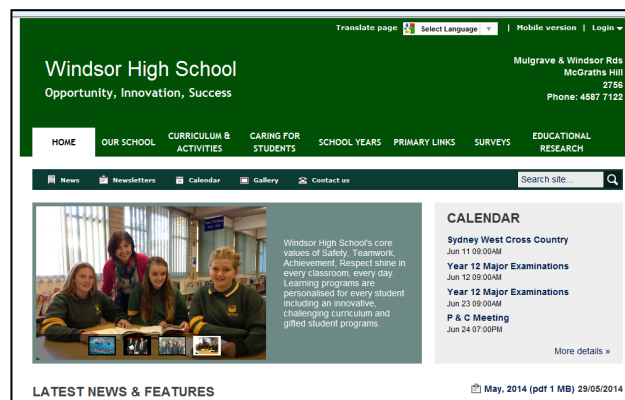
Term 3 will be very busy for staff and students who will be working with our local Primary Schools on a number of many projects. We will continue to work with Windsor Park Primary School on the Peer Reading Program and also commence the Sports Coaching Clinics. At Windsor Public School, Mr Mudiman and students from the Boys Program will be assisting Mr Watson on a school project. Mr Sydney-Jones will be visiting Bligh Park Primary School for a number of weeks to work with students on a Computer Game Building Program and Mrs Court will be carrying out

Mathematic workshops for our smaller primary schools. Mrs West and some students will be attending Oakville Primary School to complete Drama Workshops and Mr Bonaccorso will be attending Pitt Town Primary School for music workshops. Thank you to all the staff mentioned and students who have volunteered their time to run these programs and we look forward to hearing about their experiences.

Mrs A. Khalid
Head Teacher Welfare

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<http://www.windsor-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/>



<http://www.facebook.com/windsorhighschool>

LIVETUNES

Evening Concert

7-9.30pm

Adult: \$10

Children: \$5

Family: \$25

Wednesday 13th August

Windsor High School, Hall

Open to Public

This night will showcase talented music students of Windsor High School, featuring Year 12 HSC performance pieces and a diverse range of music from Years 7 to 11.

Come and Support Us!

HSIE HAPPENINGS.

Thank you to all HSIE staff and students for a wonderfully successful and productive semester 1.

There have been many highlights so far to reflect on: Yr. 7 settling in well to engage with HSIE course content in a positive way, producing many great examples of class and assessment work.

Years 8 and 10 HSIE classes are progressing through the New History Curriculum well, with significant levels of enjoyment in many topics. Specifically, Yr. 8 have enjoyed the new programme's content relating to Ancient Rome and Year 10 were especially enthralled and empathetic to course content relating to Movement of People: The Industrial Revolution and Slavery.

Many Year 11 students in HSIE classes have produced some excellent results in their end of semester examinations and other assessment tasks. It is exciting to not only see these great levels of achievement, but students who care about their progress, achievement and results. Most rewarding, is the number of senior students who actively seek to consult with their class teachers in regards to what they can do to best meet course and assessment criteria and produce outstanding work.

Some wonderful results and reports on many student's reports.

As we look forward to Semester 2, following a well-deserved break for staff and students, there are a few things to be mindful of for the new semester:

All students in all HSIE classes are expected to attend every lesson for the full lesson, unless the student has a note of explanation. Acquisition of knowledge and understanding of course work can only come by being in class consistently, so that no gaps can appear on a child's learning. If attendance is irregular, then the learning gaps can become significant and therefore very overwhelming for the child. This can often result in a loss of confidence for the child, which can greatly impact the child's motivation and engagement further.

All assessment tasks are expected to be completed by all students from Years 7-12. It is not acceptable to decide not to do an assessment task, or "forget" to. Many students' final mark in their report was greatly impacted by having not done one or more assessment tasks, or not handing them in on time. This is a basic expectation and requirement of the HSIE Faculty, Windsor High School and the Board of Studies. Measures exist, particularly in Years 10-12, which mean a student may not be able to progress in their schooling if all assessment tasks

are not completed and handed in.

Year 9 Geography will be heading into the Circular Quay, The Rocks and Darling Harbour for an excursion to examine Urban Growth and Decline on August 22nd. The cost will be \$30, plus the cost of a return train fare. Students will need to be ready to depart from Mulgrave Station at 7:30 am, and be able to get home after returning to Mulgrave Station at 4pm. *Only students who have exhibited acceptable and exemplary work effort and behaviour in class and across the school community will be able to attend. Students on Levels and Behaviour Cards, or having had a suspension will not be able to attend.*

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Happy holidays everyone.

I look forward to another exciting and productive semester 2

Mrs Kellie Boyd
Relieving HT HSIE

Senior Study

All senior students have timetabled study skills sessions each week. Students are required to attend these study lessons where they benefit from: assistance in planning and completing assessment tasks, learning how to structure essays, examination preparation and revision, learning how to use the Super Six comprehension strategies and are given assistance in improving their time management skills in relation to their classwork, assessments and examinations. Students who attend regularly have found they have become more confident with their

assessment planning and preparation and are more likely to complete tasks on time. We encourage all senior students to take advantage of the assistance that is offered.

Miss M Talidu

Learning Support

Maths Counts

We are nearing the end of what has been a very busy term with half yearly examinations over and reports in the process of being sent out. This is a good time for reflection and many students and parents may be asking themselves how they can improve in mathematics.

Mathematics is a subject that requires non-stop practice as one day's lesson usually leads on to the next.

Many of our students who usually perform well in the classroom are letting themselves down in tests by not following some simple guidelines.

Complete all set work as the later questions generally assess full understanding of the day's concepts. Check with the teacher if problems arise. Redo questions which you do incorrectly.

Keep up-to-date. Any missed work must be caught up immediately as it usually forms the basis of following lessons.

Do not leave it until the night before a test to begin your study. Mathematics needs practice and more practice. When you know a test is coming up, start making summaries and doing questions.

Take advantage of online revision websites such as mymathsonline.com.au, www4.boardofstudies.nsw.edu.au and hsc.csu.edu.au/maths. Don't forget that the mathematics faculty also run a "Homework Clinic" every Thursday afternoon from 3.15 to 4.00 pm (closed first and last week of each term).

At all times, listen to the teacher's instructions and participate in discussions. Ask if you do not understand a concept. All our mathematic teachers are pleased to help you during recess or lunch breaks if your questions were not answered in class.

Have a wonderful holiday and come back ready for work.

Mrs M Court
Head Teacher Mathematics

SRC NEWS

On April the 25th, our school captains and parents were involved in the ANZAC Day Service, held at Macquarie Park and Windsor RSL. Memories of those who served the armed forces were commemorated. Our school captains laid wreaths (two of which, our students had assisted in creating) and had taken part in the march in respect for the fallen. We thank Windsor RSL for providing light refreshments after the events.



This term, the SRC also held a fundraising barbecue for one of our Year 11 students, Dean Frew. All monies raised will go towards his trip to Canada, where he has been selected to represent Australia in Australian School Boys Baseball Team.



SPORT

As usual sport has been very busy. As luck would have it, this year the rain held off for the WHS Cross Country Carnival and therefore the afternoon of 1 May was dedicated to running, or walking as the case may be, four laps around our school. It turned out to be a really great afternoon with participation at a very high level right across the school, from the smallest Year 7 students to the amazing Ms. Busby who, once again, ran like an Olympian and put many of the teachers and students to shame with her fitness and running prowess!

The age champions were as follows ...

CROSS COUNTRY AGE CHAMPIONS - 2014

The House points score for the Carnival ...

Bunderluk	538	Jiramba	514
Murriiong	480	Kurabi	473

AGE GROUP	GIRLS	BOYS
12 years	Kaitlin Flanagan	Trey Nichols
13 years	Shania Golding-	Daniel Freeman
14 years	Renee Taylor	Daniel Small
15 years	Nicole Nagle	Jayden Wood
16 years	Ashley Amson	Louis Howarth
17+ years	Natasha King	Sam Berger

Congratulations to Bunderluk ... they have now won the Cross Country carnival two years in a row! Well done to everyone who had a go and enjoyed the afternoon!

The weather for the Zone Carnival was almost perfect! The rain stayed away and the Carnival was another successful event for Macquarie Zone. It was held at the Sydney International Regatta Centre, Penrith on Thursday 8 May. The results in 2014 continued to show an improvement in participation for WHS! Six students qualified for the Macquarie Zone team ... Ameysa Olivares 4th, 12/U Girls ... Trey Nichols (Roache) 8th, 12/U Boys ... Daniel Freeman 7th, 13/U Boys ... Declan Rankin 8th, 14/U Boys ... Louis Howarth 7th and Dean Kennedy 9th, 16/U Boys.

These students made it through Zone to the Regional Carnival on 11 June – Additionally the overall participation was up on the day! WHS was able to send a

total team of 49 students. Thank you to those students and parents who supported WHS on the day by turning up and running in your event. It would be wonderful if even more parents could encourage their children to be active participants in similar sporting situations. If our 16 year boys had just one more runner, WHS would have been able to send a relay team to Regional!!

HOT OFF THE PRESS ... ALL SCHOOLS CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL 18 JULY

Ameysa Olivares ran 3rd in the 12/U Girls at the Sydney West Cross Country Carnival and has subsequently qualified to run at the All Schools Cross Country Carnival to be held at Eastern Creek on Friday 18 July! Congratulations Ameysa! This is a fantastic achievement.

ATHLETICS ...

Once again the athletics carnival was held at the Blacktown International Sports Park, but this time it was on 10 April at the end of term one. This was due to the huge number of schools and clubs who are now taking advantage of the facilities. It certainly is a fantastic venue and allows our athletes to really excel at their favourite events. The weather held off for most of the day, despite becoming very chilly and wet by the end. At the completion of the day, the results were as follows ...

Athletics Age Champions for 2014 are ...

The House Champion for 2014 was Jiramba on 480 points. Kurabi was second on 440 with Bunderluk

AGE	BOYS	GIRLS
12 YEARS	Aiden Garzon	Ameysa Oli-
13 YEARS	Aden Parnell	Jessica Case
14 YEARS	Stephen McDougall	Brontai Sams
15 YEARS	Dylan Tunks	Jorja Wilson
16 YEARS	Jye Hardy	Shey Taylor
17+ YEARS	Dean Frew	Natasha Lav- elle

third on 368 and finally Murriiong on 217.

Well done to all those students who attended and competed to the best of their ability. Unfortunately attendance at the Athletics Carnival continues to be disappointing. School carnivals are considered to be normal school days. Carnivals are about increasing school spirit and developing social relationships beyond the classroom, skills that young people will need in their future lives. Parents are encouraged to ensure their children attend all school carnivals in the future.

Macquarie Zone Athletics was held on Thursday 5 June at the Blacktown International Sportspark. Once again the weather tried hard to dampen the event. It was windy, chilly and wet! Unfortunately not as many WHS athletes turned up on the day as we had hoped. However our new gold colours really stood out in the crowd, so many thanks to those parents and students who turned up and gave their best effort. At this point I know that Aden Parnell has qualified first for High Jump and third for Long Jump at Sydney West. Nicole Nagle qualified second in the 100 metres. We are still waiting for the official results to come through from the organisers. Mrs. Horan and I were absolutely exhausted at the end of a long day marshalling everyone on the track. Special thanks to Mr. Galbraith, our starter, Ms. Keir, our amazing team manager extraordinaire, and Mrs. Khalid, who kept perfect time! Without these dedicated staff members, athletics carnivals cannot be held.

WHS School Sport ... Parents and students are reminded that Wednesday is Sport day!! Students **MUST** wear their WHS PE uniform ALL DAY. The uniform is the new gold PE shirt with black WHS shorts. During the winter, plain black WHS track pants are acceptable. Windsor Wolves football shorts are NOT part of the school uniform. Track pants that are any other colour or style are also NOT acceptable. Students should wear suitable sport shoes, a hat and bring a water bottle. Soft drinks during sport are not acceptable. Please remember that Sport is a compulsory part of the syllabus and students from years 7 – 10 must complete the mandatory requirements. If students are absent or have an injury, a doctor's certificate must be supplied.

Many thanks in anticipation of your cooperation in all matters concerning Sport ...

Mrs. Horan and Mrs. Windon



Upcoming Events

15/07/2014 Students Return to Term 3
 17/07/2014 Careers Market
 23/07/2014 Yr. 10 to Yr. 11 2015 Info Evening
 24/07/2014 Sydney West Athletics
 24/07/2014 Yr. 11 Standard Eng.Assessment

25/07/2014 Sydney West Athletics
 28/07-01/08/2014 Education Week
 13/08/2014 Windsor On Stage
 13/08-14/08/2014 Inspire Concert



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Teenage years can be trying - for the whole family!

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Making the best of your conversations

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Mission Australia



**New Dates: Tuesday 5th, 12th and
19th of August 2014**

6:30pm to 8:30pm

North Richmond Community Centre

33 William Street, North Richmond

Workshops facilitated by Mission Australia

N.A.I.D.O.C. CONCERT

Live Performances

Stalls & Children's Activities

Stalls including: Bush Tucker Food, BBQ, Information, LIVE Bands

Children's Activities including: Face Painting, Art, Wood Carving, Wildlife Display

National Aboriginal & Islander Day of Celebration

WHERE

**Richmond Park, Windsor Street
Richmond**

WHEN: Sunday

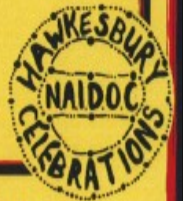
13th July

10am - 3pm

For more information contact:

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Hawkesbury Kooragang Community Legal Centre, NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service, Women's Cottage,
Hawkesbury District Health Service, Indigenous Coordination Centre,
Hawkesbury City Council & Community Members.

UNIFORM SHOP

OPENING HOURS

Thursdays

8.15 am - 9.00 am