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Tumut Clontarf Academy

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Newsletter

As Term 3 draws towards completion, let's take the opportunity to review what has been a very memorable time for the Tumut Academy.

From first ever Senior Footy carnivals, trips to Dubbo, health checks and of course our massive "Super Training" and "Grand Opening" Week. Term 3 has been a whirlwind that staff, students and school have thoroughly enjoyed being a part of.



Community and Activities

The Tumut Clontarf Academy have continued to seek opportunities to engage the wider Community. This term has included a working bee at the Tumut Golf Club which saw the boys roll their sleeves up and get involved with Greens staff on the course raking bunkers and picking up many sticks and dead branches. We have also had a day trip to the Adelong Men's Shed where the boys got a chance to meet a few local characters and also see the importance of having a place for people to catch up and have a chat.



Highlights so far for the Second Term

Leadership

As mentioned in the Sport section of our newsletter, the Ross Kelly Cup was held in Sydney in August. This is the foundation's flagship footy carnival. The night prior to the football, all of the Academies attended a very special dinner held at Luna Park in North Sydney. The dinner had many guest speakers that included Sydney Roosters Captain Jake Friend and also Rugby League Royalty in Phil "Gus" Gould. The football the following day was capped off nicely by Corey Herrington being selected in the NSW Clontarf Academies representative side which then went on to play Holy Cross College. Well done Corey!

Education

The final week of Term 2 was a fantastic one with the senior group of boys heading to the nation's capital. The highlight of the trip was a visit to the War Memorial, with Indigenous tour guide Michael Bell. The pinnacle of the visit to the Memorial was Michael organising our Academy to be a part of a wreath laying ceremony for a fallen servicemen. Corey Herrington and Reggie Coe represented the Academy proudly.



Wellbeing

Afternoon activities have seen many different forms this term. From Car Maintenance with Chicka, FootGolf, Golf Lessons, Minute to Win It and a great afternoon spent at the Sugarpine Walk after the memorable snowfalls in our region. New members Cam and Jordy Minogue played tour guide as the lads took us on an afternoon trip with a difference. That may have also included a little snow fight.



Employment

We are lucky enough to have a fulltime Employment officer in our southern region of Clontarf, and even luckier that it is former Tumut lad Josh Toohey. Although based on the South Coast, Josh gets the opportunity to visit our Academy at least once a term to work with our boys on choosing possible career pathways for after school. This term Josh was busy as he organised an "employment forum" for the senior boys to attend in Wagga Wagga where they got the opportunity to look at careers with many of our partners after completing their school.



Sport

Every year Sydney is the venue for the coveted Ross Kelly Cup, and in 2019 the Tumut Academy got their first crack. We combined with the Narrandera Academy who are also in their first year of operation. The team excelled on and off the field by making the finals at their first appearance. They beat Inverell and Conobalab to advance through and then got beaten by Dubbo South in the first round of the Semi's. The day was also capped off by an opportunity to meet the man the carnival is named after, Clontarf Foundation Chairman, Ross Kelly.



Partners

It would not be a newsletter without mentioning our fantastic Grand Opening that was held in Week 8 of the term. We started the day with over 90 boys from 6 different academies joining in for a "Super Training". Not only did the boys get involved but so too did our partner Snowy Hydro. Snowy had almost 20 employees join us for the session and for the grand opening. It was a fantastic show of how well the partnership is already working and gives us great confidence for the future. The ceremony was hosted perfectly by senior Clontarf student Daniel Hibbens. We were also fortunate enough to have Member for Wagga Wagga, Joe McGirr in attendance as well as Clontarf CEO Gerard Neesham, and Director of Educational Leadership, Mr Russell Graham on hand to cut the ribbon and open the Academy room officially.



Looking Ahead

Term 4 is shaping up to have some exciting things happening for the Tumut Academy. Some major events that we look forward to include:

Sport

- Host Mt Austin/Karrabar OzTag
- Away OzTag Moruya
- Regional Cricket Carnival Week 8

Employment

- Fire Station Trip
- Essential Energy Tour
- Bunnings Wagga Tour

Education

- Awards Night Week 9
- Class Visits Focus Week 6
- Study Support Focus Week 5

Camps

- Year 12 Camp Canberra
- 7,/8/9 Trip Wollongong
- Year 10 trip to Moruya

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