WELCOME

Welcome to the May edition of Know Stuff. In this issue we tell you about the exciting things that are happening within your Hunter TAFE Libraries. Our annual Library and Information week competition has begun. Go online to enter and be in the running for some great prizes.

JUST FOR FUN!

Library Word Find

Find the words below in the puzzle above.

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LIBRARY AND INFORMATION WEEK COMPETITION 2013

Library and Information Week is celebrated every year in libraries throughout Australia. This year’s theme is - “Share your story”

We have designed a Library quiz to help you to discover for yourself the many fantastic resources that are available at Hunter Institute Libraries. Complete the quiz and go into the draw to win a great prize!

First Prize: Kindle touch eReader

Second Prize: $100 Co-Op Gift Card

Third Prize: One of 4 $50 Student Association Bookshop Gift Cards

Fourth Prize: One of 5 personal VTC subscriptions

Fifth Prize: $20 Co-Op Gift Card for one student from each Hunter TAFE Campus

Additional Prizes: Plantfile Pro Software and $150 Anatomy.TV DVD voucher from Primal Pictures

Ask library staff for an Entry Form or go to our Library Website:
http://www.hunter.tafensw.edu.au/libraries

CLOSING DATE - Sunday 26th May
Prizes drawn at Newcastle TAFE Library.
EVENTS COMING UP IN LIBRARIES

National simultaneous story time

At Newcastle Library on May 22nd the Information Science Students of Hunter TAFE will be doing a reading of this year’s feature book: “The Wrong Book” by Nick Bland.

Organized by the Australian Library and Information Association (ALIA), National Simultaneous Story time promotes the value of reading and literacy, the importance of Australia’s book industry and the role of libraries.

Last year’s reading was very successful and a lot of fun. The kids from Carinya will be joining us again, and all are welcome to come and enjoy the story time.

OUR HUNTER LIBRARIES BLOG!

Don’t forget to check out our blog at http://hilibrary.edublogs.org/ for info on other events being held in our Hunter TAFE Libraries.

PARTNERING WITH PUBLIC LIBRARIES AT WYONG CAMPUS

New partnerships have been formed between the Wyong Campus Library and the Wyong Shire Public Library Service.

Last month librarians Susan & Michelle from Tuggerah public library visited Wyong Campus Library to provide an information session for ESOL students and staff about collections and services available to members of the public library service.

Approximately 40 students attended the session, during which they were introduced to the online resource ‘English at AMES’, which is an online and interactive way to learn and improve English learning skills, and the ‘yourTutor’ online tutoring service.

Co-operative partnering enables students’ maximum access to services and resources that are available within their TAFE and local public libraries. It also provides an opportunity for staff at local public libraries to be kept informed of the services and resources that are available through our TAFE libraries, as they are often approached by current and prospective students for information and assistance.

Librarians Susan & Michelle with the ESOL collection at Tuggerah Public Library.
STUDENT SOFTWARE

There are many special student deals for computer software. Places like JB Hi-Fi and Officeworks often have great deals, so it is important to shop around.

The places below offer special deals to Hunter TAFE students. To purchase you will need to supply your TAFE NSW Student Email address. For some offers you may need to pay for the software with a valid credit card.

Microsoft Office
http://www.studentdiscounts.com.au

Microsoft Office 365 University - $95. Software is downloadable only and the price includes a 4 year licence to the product

Adobe Software
Http://www.updateadobe.com/edm/2293/enduser/online.html

Check the above websites for more details on which products are available and computer requirements.

SI Group – TAFE NSW Student’s Shop

There is a variety of software available for students to purchase from the SI Group, including Microsoft, Adobe, Norton’s and Corel. Check the website for products and costs. There will be a shipping cost when you order products. Make sure you have your TAFE email address and student number for ordering.

Low Cost Computers

Low cost computers are available for purchase for CentreLink card holders. Low-cost personal computers start from $290 plus delivery. Call for free on 1800 112 205 or visit the website for more information.

WWW.WEB SURFING

Australian Government Department of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Population and Communities. Australian Antarctic Division : leading Australia’s Antarctic Program

Feeling the cold, could be worse - take a virtual reality tour of Australia’s Antarctic Territory. This site has several sections including: environmental science, law and treaty, living and working, news, features and about Antarctica. In the about section there are live webcams and live weather.

The Opera House Project
http://theoperahouseproject.com

This site is an interactive documentary about one of the greatest buildings of the twentieth century. Forty years have passed since the building opened – this site reveals information about the concept, design and architecture of the building, as well as the engineering and construction.

NASA
http://www.nasa.gov/home/index.html

This is a really interesting site packed with great information and wonderful images. There is also the chance to take virtual tours. If you click on “space station” and click on take a tour of ISS with Sunri Williams, you learn amazing things – like how and where the space station occupants sleep.
KEEP UP TO DATE WITH LIBGUIDES

LibGuides are interactive subject guides that have been developed by Hunter TAFE Libraries.

They are ever expanding with more subject guides being added all the time. Check out what is available at [http://huntertafe.libguides.com/](http://huntertafe.libguides.com/)

Here is a selection of the latest additions to our LibGuides!

- Information Technology & Networking
- Dental Assisting
- Law & Legal Issues
- Allied Health
- Hunter & Central Coast Region Websites
- Museum Practice
- Plumbing
- Communications & Media
- Diploma in Children Services Online

PURCHASE YOUR TEXTBOOKS ONLINE

We have a brand new website!!!


The Student Association now has an online bookshop where students can buy learning materials for their courses. They can also find out more information about the Association and the events that are being planned.

More resources are being added all the time, with the initial product range concentrating on the campuses that do not have an Association Bookshop on site.