



BACKCHAT

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Visual Arts Exhibition Opening Night 2016

The Annual Visual Arts Exhibition Opening was held on Thursday, 25 August. Preparations were extreme in the lead up and Ms Cooke, supported by Ms Hudson, Ms Fugar and Ms Holder managed the curating and organisation of the entire hall with their usual efficiency.

Select students and small groups, including the hall crew, were our hanging team and they achieved greatness in their efforts. If you were selected to perform in one of these roles outside of class time, you have something to be proud of. Few were chosen.

Opening night was huge. The hall was filled to capacity with around 350 people, including award winners and their guests. Mr Josephs, his Food Tech and Hospitality class, provided a wonderful spread of exhibition food that sated the endless appetites of the guests.

Congratulations to all award winners. Certificates were awarded to our many worthy recipients; students who achieved excellent results in Drama, Music, Photography and Visual Arts in Semester 2 last year (after the exhibition) and Semester 1 of this year as nominated by class teachers. Many thanks to everyone in the audience for their patience during the endless presentations.

The viewing audience explored the exhibition with enthusiasm, being particularly excited to preview the HSC Art Bodies of Work, a celebration of painting and drawing in 2016. Pride of place in the central exhibition location was occupied by **Greg Stanford**, surrounded by the works of **Tristan Evans-Craig**, **Connor Hopkins and Farhan Auliya**. Greeting audiences as they entered the hall were the drawings of **Callum Fenech** and **Tim Michas** as well as paintings by **Arran Halkhoree**. Also showcased in the exhibition this year were works from Year 2 and Year 4 at Hornsby North Public School who completed units of work with Ms Holder.

Mr Wakewood organised Year 12 Music to perform and we were entertained by the magic playing of **David Mays** and **Andrew Morrison** on the grand piano before and after the opening.







Thank you to **Ms Hudson**, for the invitation flyer design. Huge thanks needs to also go to the many people who supported us along the way – Ms Cooke, Ms Mashman, Ms Fugar and Mr Wakewood, Mrs Beckerleg, Mr Sonter, all excellent artists and exhibition helpers and any staff member who supervised for us or allowed us to borrow someone.

Finally, thanks to all the parents, friends and family who came along to support or boys as they received their awards, including Mr Christopher Kent, ex Head Teacher Creative & Performing Arts who is involved in the running of the Asquith Old Boys. You have all helped to make it the best exhibition night ever!

Catherine Holder



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Year 12 2016

This year's cohort leaves us this week. They have been a terrific group of young men and have made a huge contribution to the school over six years. It has been my pleasure to be their principal. We had a rousing Graduation Assembly that was attended by a record number of parents. The P&C also hosted an inaugural Year 12/Parents dinner which was an outstanding success. Best wishes to Year 12 for the HSC exams and beyond. I look forward to hearing of their future progress.

Student Leaders

I would like to thank the departing Year 12 student leadership for their outstanding commitment to the school. The Prefects have been very ably led by School Captain Griffin Sleigh, Vice Captain Zac Duretto and Senior Prefect Joel Winch. The new leadership team will be sworn in at the October 11th Formal Assembly. The 2017 School Captain is Saber Attar Motlagh, Vice Captain is Riley Gibson and Senior Prefect Zoltan Snead.

P & C Community Day

This day, held on Sunday September 11th, was a tremendous success. With perfect weather there were entertaining and high quality musical performances all day, a number of very competitive football matches, the prestige car display, artworks, chess competition, great food and interesting stalls. An amusing inclusion this year was the "bubble soccer" which added plenty of theatre and colour to the day's events. The event was very well supported by our community with hundreds of visitors throughout the day. This event has now been cemented as a regular annual feature on our calendar. Many members of the P&C were involved in organising this day and were ably led by P&C President Mrs Michelle Roscarel. Mr Jim French was the staff co-ordinator. Congratulations to everybody connected with this outstanding event.

Big Event Season

Over the last month we have seen a number of major traditional Asquith Boys events that were all very successful. Many parents and students attended the opening of the ART/TAS Exhibition on the evening of August 25th and were treated to a display of high quality visual arts, musical performances, Year 12 Design and Technology major works and Year 7 Personal Interest Projects. Unfortunately, the Walkathon has had to be postponed until October 17th. The annual P&C Father and Son Breakfast was held in the hall on the morning of August 30th and was very well attended. My thanks to Mrs Maddi Steele for co-ordinating this event. There was also another successful Duke of Edinburgh expedition. Finally, boys from Year 9 and the prefects sold badges for Legacy and raised over \$12,500 for this worthy cause. All of these events were possible because of the passionate commitment of ABHS staff and students.

Terry Griffiths, Principal

Well done to all those involved.

Bronze Principal Medallion Recipients at 19 August Formal Assembly

VEAR 12 2016

DATES TO REMEMBER FOR YEAR 12 2016

Higher School Certificate final examinations will commence on **Thursday 13**th **October**. Normal summer school uniform is to be worn by students for the HSC exams.

Textbook Return/References

Students will need to ensure all Library books have been returned and all contributions paid (if you require financial assistance, please contact us in advance). At the beginning of each exam boys will be required to return textbooks and other materials for that subject. At the conclusion of their last exam, and provided there are no outstanding books and/or equipment, students can obtain their reference from the back office.

All books, supplies and equipment must be returned by 4th November 2016.

The Year 12 Formal will be held on **Thursday, 10th November** at L'Aqua Terrace Room at Cockle Bay Wharf, Darling Harbour running from 7:00 -11.00pm (6:30 arrival for 7pm start).

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

The end of Term 3 is fast approaching, which means that we farewell our Year 12 students. I encourage all students to double and triple check the HSC examination timetable via the BOSTES website and make careful note of the date and time of each paper. Our class of 2016 have ended their time at our school in exemplary fashion and I wish each and every one of them success and happiness. Thanks to Ms Foster, Year 12 Adviser, and all staff for your guidance of these wonderful young men.

Term 4 sees Year 11 students formally commence their HSC studies. It is vital that each boy sets in place a structured study routine and makes significant efforts to be well organised. For Years 7-10, Term 4 will feature a range of course wide assessments in the lead up to the end of year reports.

A reminder that in Term 4 students wear summer uniform. Please see the school uniform policy for details. If for any reason boys cannot wear a particular piece of uniform, a note must be provided from home and presented to staff.

I would like to wish all students and their families a safe and restful holiday break.

Andrew Skehan Deputy Principal

BREAKFAST CLUB

Do you have time to spare on a **Wednesday** morning? Would you like to get involved with programs run at your child's school? Look no further because Breakfast Club could be for you! Breakfast Club runs every day from 8.10-8.35am from the school hall kitchen and provides a healthy start to the day for our boys. Your duties would include serving breakfast (ie: pouring juice and making toast) and putting the dishes in the dishwasher at the end of breakfast club. You would be working with a teacher volunteer who will gladly show you what to do.

We are particularly looking for volunteers on Wednesdays (even just Wednesday week A if you can only commit to once a fortnight.) All volunteers are required to complete a Working with Children Check.

If this sounds like something you might be interested in please contact me at <u>Colleen.Sweeney2@det.nsw.edu.au.</u>

Colleen Sweeney, Student Welfare Officer

THE AUSTRALIAN MATHEMATICS COMPETITION

The results are back for the AMC 2016.

Congratulations to all of the students who accepted the challenge and participated in the annual Australian Mathematics Competition. You demonstrated a high level of perseverance in applying your mathematical knowledge to solving some very complex problems.

This year we had 127 students sit the various levels of the competition. These students achieved a total of 1 High Distinction, 6 Distinctions and 38 Credit certificates.

The winner of **The Best in School Award for 2016** was Hengzhan (Lucas) Zheng in Year 11 who also achieved the **High Distinction Certificate**.

Distinction Certificates were achieved by Benjamin Russell (Year 7), Zhewang (Dell) Tantai (Year 10), Troy Staff (Year 10), Hengxiang (Nicholas) Zheng (Year 11), Yian Wang (Year 11) and Zhuocheng (Jason) Huang (Year 11).

The Distinction certificates and Credit certificates will be presented in Term 4, at a "pizza lunch" and presentation put on by the Mathematics faculty, with certificates of Proficiency and Participation issued in Maths classes.

Please note: Students can still pay for the Maths Comp at the front office. Only students who have paid will receive their results and certificates.

Mrs Laffer Competition Coordinator

YEAR 12 DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY

On Wednesday 7th September, three markers from the Board of Studies marked the 13 MDP's (Major Design Projects) that were created by the Year 12 D&T class of 2016. The day was the culmination of close to 12 months of sustained effort, heartache, inspiration, genius, heartbreak, collaboration and plain old hard work. The result of this mix of emotions was a varied range of MDP's that showcased the different skill set that each of the students has at his disposal.

The projects covered a variety of design areas and construction techniques from a phone app, through electronics, 3D printing, landscaping, textiles, metalworking, CAD (computer aided design) models as well as traditional wood based products. I don't envy the markers the task of comparing such a variety of design solutions.

I am proud to have had the opportunity to teach such a hard working and dedicated group of young men for the last two years and I wish them all the best for the HSC and beyond.

Mr C Philip Yr 12 D&T teacher HT TAS

P.S. We won't know what mark the students get until December. The markers are not allowed to give any feedback whatsoever regarding the quality of the jobs.



Satchel with Built In Battery for Charging Multiple Devices by Jordan Ritchie



Board Game Table with Speakers and Built In Touch Screen Computer by Zac Parsons



Designer Chair from Recycled Doors (which is surprisingly comfortable) by Matthew Griffin



Folding Dining Table to Seat 8 People by Samuel Harrison (shown fully extended and closed)



Hanging Day Bed by Christopher Sexton



3D Printed Headphones with Interchangeable Ear Cups by Thomas Doherty



Baseball Bats from Australian Timbers by Samuel Henson

WINTER GRADE SPORT SUCCESS

At the recent Formal Assembly, the sporting achievements from the 2016 Winter Grade season were acknowledged and celebrated. This included recognising the teams that won a premiership, those that were runners up, and the students who were identified as the Best and Fairest players amongst their peers.

32 teams across 7 sports entered in the 2016 Winter Grade season. This meant we had over 350 students participating in grade sport every week, which just goes to show the popularity and value of competitive sport at Asquith Boys. By the end of the winter season 15 of our teams had made the semi-finals. Due to bad weather on Semi Final day only the two highest placed teams progressed straight to the final which meant from these 15 teams we had 9 teams progress to the Grand final. It just goes to show the value of regular season games and finishing in the top 2!

This included: 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 6th grade open Football teams, our 15B and 13A Junior Football teams plus all our Rugby teams – the 13's, 14's and 15's Rugby sides!

RUNNER UP TEAMS

13 A Football - coached by Mr Blackwood

Lachlan Baker, Mitchell Brooks, Ryan Brooks, Tyler Coetzee, Benjamin Fisher, Daniel Gatsi, Jack Gibbons, Cameron Hay, Xuzhi (Anthony) He, Jett Janney, Jeremy Jaye, Liam Oliver, Mason Smith & Rowan Fisher

15B Football - coached by Mr Yates

Murray Cameron, Luke Antrim, Christopher Beaven, Brendan Chander, Jarrod Haines, Alek Hanson, Luke Mueller-Byrnes, Damon Orre, Hamish Perring, James Riolino, Jackson Salloch, Aaron Surace, Kyle Morgan & Jack Waters

1st Grade Football - coached by Mr Jones

Jordan Smylie, Bilal Belkadi, Harry Frederick, Daniel Jollie, Hayden Pike, Lachlan Anderson, Zachary Duretto, Aynsley Gaveston, Matthew Griffin, Jarrod Griffith, William Jensen, Christopher Rourke, Finley Scott, Griffin Sleigh & Warren Spencer-Scarr







PREMIERSHIP TEAMS

13's Rugby coached by Mr McCubbin

Oliver Bell, Kaelan Brown, Blake Davenport, Jack Dimmock, Benjamin Duff, Tarek Farache, Zachary Gordon, Jakobb Johnson, Tana Killick, Marc Lucanas, Max Lucas, Cody Mirabile-Kumar, Ben Moralas, Jarson Ngatai-Mauri, Oliver South, Nathan Stewart, John Stokes, Dominic Tonu-Jiare, Samuel Vaughan & Dylan Wallis

14's RUGBY coached by Mr Miles

Corey Adnum, Joshua Davenport, Oskar Enasio, Noah Hayes, Oliver Hookway, Braeden Marshall, Dylan Moors-Poiagatule, Daniel Morton, Luke Munro, Cooper Robertson, Benjamin Russell, Conor Seery, Shazeb Shamim, Mason Shoesmith, Isaac Vuna & Bailey Winter

15's RUGBY coached by Mr Melrose

Jordan Cameron, Jamin Chapman, Jackson Cole, Tevita Faupula, Callum Geelan, Timothy Gillies, Cameron James, Luke Jeffress, Inoke (Nox) Levaci, Benjamin Mason, Kane Mirabile-Kumar, Nicholas Pufulescu, Kaeo Weekes, Adam Westrip & Bromley Wilks

6th GRADE FOOTBALL coached by Ms Foster

Harry Fallows, Callum Fenech, Matthew Fitzsimmons, Jonathan Fulwood, Arran Halkhoree, Cameron Hanna, Benjamin Herden, Jackson Hughes, Joshua Lambert, Angus Lord, Bryce Nielsen, Luke Purcell, Anthony Sawyer & Christopher Sexton







3rd GRADE FOOTBALL coached by Mr Robertson

Edward Blackwood, Thomas Bostelman, Jack Bridekirk, Jack Cotton, Zane Drysdale, Tristan Fisher, Lachlan Gracie, Gary Khouri, Jack Liddelow, Joseph Parry, Anderson Pendrick, Brenton Sloggett, Adam West & Jacob Zafos

2nd GRADE FOOTBALL coached by Mr Laing

Alen Aganovic, Benito Albace, Matthew Burns, Nicholas Chidgey, Nicholas Fowler, Riley Gibson, Jamie Griffin, Anthony Lake, Oliver Magson, Aden May, Benjamin Parnell, Christian Sinicco, Riley Turner & Scott Williams







BEST AND FAIREST PLAYERS

TENNIS Joshua Collins Aabid Khan William Pendrick Edward Parker

BADMINTON
Nicholas Roscarel
Zackary Smith
Cameron Chilvers

HOCKEYMatthew Ludlow



RUGBY Luke Jeffress Finau Tava Isaac Vuna

TABLE TENNIS
Sean Bell
Ayden McKendrick
Jake Lawler
Mitchell Sawyer

LAWN BOWLSBradley Flood Keegan Morris



SOCCER

Warren Spencer-Scarr
Christian Sinicco
Jack Liddelow
Dominic Jones
Jonah Kuhnke-Barakauskas
Oliver Williams
Jordan Bolton
Alek Hanson
Thomas Dandie
Samuel Parry
Lucas Reynolds
Mason Smith
Kieren Robinson
Phoenix Hackett
Jack O'Brien

ATHLETICS UPDATE

The Sydney North Regional Athletics Carnival was held on the 25th and 26th July.

Our students were outstanding during this carnival and there were a few standout performances which means they have all qualified for the NSW CHS athletics carnival which will be held on the 7th, 8th and 9th of September.

- Kaylan Clark (12 Years) 3rd Hurdles, 3rd High Jump
- Jack Gibbons (13 years) 1st 90m Hurdles, 2ND Discus
- Oskar Enasio (14 Years) 1st 400m
- Kaeo Weekes (14 Years) 2nd 100m and 2ND Hurdles
- Lawrence Frederick (14 years) 3rd Hurdles
- Harry Frederick (16 years) 2nd 100m







Edward Parker – 12-15 years AWD EVENTS

- 1st 100M, 1st 200M, 1st 800M, 1st SHOT PUT, 1ST DISCUS
- 2ND LONG JUMP, 2ND JAVELIN.

Furthermore, all these fantastic results earned Edward the title of AWD age champion for Sydney North.

Congratulations and we wish all those boys the best of luck the NSW CHS Athletics Carnival!

FAMILY AND FRIENDS DRAMA SOIREE EVENING

Family and friends of the 2016 Year 12 Drama class were invited on Thursday 18 August to an evening showcase to watch a variety of group and individual works that the boys had been working on for the majority of the year. The Common Room was set up with nibbles and drinks and a short introduction was given explaining the process the boys had undertaken throughout the year.

The evening started with the group performance titled "The Man in the Mountain" about the challenges, both mental and physical, that man faces. It was a strong performance and well received. This was followed by three individual performers — Joel Winch, Matthew Fitzsimmons and Noah Szeto. Each delivering a variety of complex characters ranging from a nervous boy asking his crush on a date to the formal, a challenged and troubled youth realising his fate if he continues on the same path, and an anxious father worrying about his daughter's upcoming formal. Again the boys rehearsed and rehearsed and rehearsed preparing for these roles.

A short food break ensued while the individual film projects were being set up by Benjamin Herden, Harry Ballinger and Gregory Stanford. Filming is a long and arduous process, developing the storyline, to ensure that the formatting is correct, organising the actors for your characters, and finding that perfect location for shooting. Much like the individual performances, the films displayed a range of different genres and film types. The three films showcased a variety of themes ranging from a comedic short about a student and his lost work, an apocalyptic style search for a lost loved one, and a meaningful insight to the throws of depression. Again, the boys worked hard on all aspects of creating a film.

The night was a great success and it was wonderful to see all the family and friends support the students in this creative and dramatic process.

Laura Mashman Drama Teacher

HSC DRAMA PERFORMANCE MARKING DAY

Tensions and nerves were high as the final HSC Drama marking day loomed upon the Year 12 Drama class of 2016 on Wednesday morning, 26 August. However, the boys stated that they were more nervous about performing for their family and friends the previous week, than for the markers! All boys were well rehearsed and well prepared for the marking schedule. The markers arrived, Year 11 and selected Year 10 students were the audience. Everyone got themselves seated. First off the rank was the group performance and they aced it with their high energy and strong movements. It was their best performance by far. The Individual Performances were up next, and again the boys did not disappoint. They were all happy with their final performance, and that is all anyone can hope for. Individual Film projects were sent off earlier that week for external marking.

I am so proud of all the boys in the 2016 HSC Drama class! Well done! Now time for study revision.

Laura Mashman Drama Teacher

SRC MUFTI DAY

On Thursday 8 September, the SRC held a Mufti Day to support and raise awareness for the Black Dog Institute, which helps reduce the stigma of mental illness in the community. During Mental Health Month, the Black Dog Institute is asking all Australians to think about mental health and get involved:

- start conversations around mental health with your family and friends
- seek out and allow people to help you if you feel you are not managing
- build awareness in your local community

Mental illness affects every Australian. Half of us will experience it directly while the rest - carers, families, friends and colleagues - will live with or witness its impacts.

As a school, Asquith Boys raised \$441 to support young people affected by mental illness. The SRC holds a Mufti Day each term to fundraise and support different causes.

A new SRC team will be elected at the end of Term 3 for new positions in Term 4. Students were encouraged to nominate themselves or students they felt would be the best representation for their year group. Successful candidates will attend a Leadership Camp with the new Prefect body later in Term 4.

Laura Mashman SRC Coordinator

ANNUAL LEGACY DAY COLLECTION BY ABHS

Every year ABHS goes out and supports Legacy Day by going out into the community and collecting money for Legacy. Thank you to all who helped - especially to Jim French and the Year 9 boys, Rebecca Kelly and the Year 11 Prefects and to Brendan Greig in Year 10 and few other friends of Brendan's who raised over \$170 at Community Day selling Legacy Bears.

All together ABHS raised over \$12,500 - an amazing effort!

Sydney Legacy CEO John Hutchinson has been informed personally and would love to come and recognise the efforts at an Assembly.

Thanks to all once again!

George Moscos, Legacy Co-ordinator



Our day helping with Legacy

We started off the day at the school getting our trays and bumbags, to hold the money in. We then got into 1 of 2 minibus'. Mr French drove one and the other, which I got into was with Mr Moscos. He first drove us to the "Bite Me Bakehouse", a new bakery in Mt Colah and dropped off Jackson Cole. From there we went up to Mt Kuring gai to drop off Ethan Kofe and Jack Waters. That left the rest of us on the bus going to Berowra. Cooper Davenport, Sebastian Eliasson, Jack Ian Waters and Braedon Douglas went to Berowra Heights while myself and Hamish Perring walked around Berowra Post office.

The others groups either serviced Asquith locally or went to Hornsby and beyond to raise money. At the end of the day we counted the cash. There were a lot of coins which were emptied into a very heavy bag. All in we raised over \$12000 for Legacy, the best amount in the state of NSW.

I was very proud of my efforts on the day and I am glad to have helped some people who are less fortunate than myself.

James Riolino, Year 9

MUSIC NEWS



HSC Music

This term our Year 12 students were very busy preparing for their Higher School Certificate Practical Performance. Harry Clarke was working hard on his guitar rock performances while Andrew Morrison and David Mays were adding the final touches to their classical repertoire. During week 8 BOSTES examiners came to the school and our boys were very happy with their performances.

Stage Band shines at ABHS Community Day

The ABHS Stage Band exhilarated audiences as part of the ABHS Community Day. The music featured stirring vocals and great improvisational solos in the style of the Big Band era.

Pink Martini meets the Sydney Symphony Orchestra



Students from Asquith Boys High School attended a spectacular concert at the Sydney Opera House featuring Pink Martini and the Sydney Symphony Orchestra as part of the SSO's "Meet the Music concerts 2016 season". Pink Martini is a 15-piece 'little orchestra' from Portland, Oregon with a cool and eclectic sound. Their first song 'Sympathique' became an overnight sensation in France and remains a mantra ('Je ne veux pas travailler' or 'I don't want to work') for striking French workers. At the concert they combined

with the big orchestra of the SSO. They performed classic songs and original material; their style crossed classical, jazz, and Latin genres and was well received by our students.

Frank Wakewood Music Teacher

SCHOLARSHIPS PROGRAM 2016

The Creative Arts and Academic Scholarships program at Asquith Boys High School is underway for the eleventh year. It was a bumper year for applicants and we are delighted to welcome three Year 7 boys to the Band Program in 2017: **Lucas Rogencamp & Jack Schauwecker**, both from Hornsby North PS, on trumpet and **Ryan De Burgh**, from Mount Colah PS, on drums.

This year we welcome Kefah Farache in the Sciences, as the

seventh holder of a Mervyn Brown Academic Scholarship in the senior school, **Jack Beckerleg** for Year 11 Visual Arts, **Jack Argent** and **Andrew Mihalarias** for Year 11 Music and **Aidan Waters** Senior Stage Band. We welcome and honour all these boys. Stage 5 Creative Arts scholarships were awarded to **Callum Riddle** for Music and **Byron Carothers** for Visual Arts.

They were officially welcomed at our annual Scholarship Luncheon on Monday 29 August, 2016 in the Creative Arts Exhibition, in a room filled with invited guests who included former scholarship holders, members of the Asquith Old Boys, teachers and school and student executive members, existing scholarship holders and local dignitaries, including **Mr Matt Kean** MP, **Mick Gallagher** (Hornsby Shire Councillor) and **Mrs Maree Sumpton** (HNPS Principal).

All the new scholarship holders attended with their very proud parents and equally proud teachers, to enjoy a delightful luncheon spread provided by the ever-wonderful Mrs Miller in the canteen. Thankyou to the CAPA girls for the beautiful exhibition of student works and to David Mays for his work on the Grand Piano.

We farewelled Scholarship holders concluding their Scholarships – **Zachary Duretto** Mervyn Brown and **Jack Beckerleg**, RoSA Visual Arts and **Greg Stanford**, HSC Visual Arts. **Jack Argent**, **Jackson Tuynman** and **Aidan Waters**, concluded their Junior Stage Band scholarships.

We all enjoyed the ambience of being spoiled. It really is a very special luncheon and such a pleasure to arrange this exclusive event!

All photographic credits go to Caroline Cooke, and thanks to Mrs Miller for the lovely food and the gorgeous parents who helped to clean up!

Catherine Holder Head Teacher CAPA

























PERSONAL INTEREST PROJECTS (PIP)

Year 7 2016 have proven themselves to be an extremely creative and skilled cohort. The PIP presentations, which were held during week six, were a credit to all of the boys. Mr Broome and I were thoroughly impressed by the high standards and thoughtfulness that was evident in each presentation. Many boys not only created a worthwhile project but also submitted excellent documentation and PowerPoint slides.

The size and form of the projects covered an enormous range, from Web Sites, Movies and a "Rubik Cube solving Robot" to Pizza Ovens and Terrariums; with each enterprise demonstrating the knowledge the student gained through completing their "PIP".

Helen Hamilton PIP co-ordinator, Teacher Librarian





Decorated Cakes





New clothing brand & logo



Disney Research



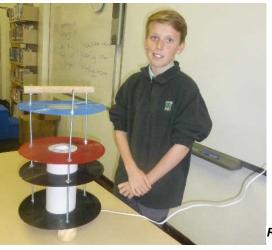
Catapult



Fantasy Game



Mobile Shoe Shining Stand



Retro LP Lamp

ABHS 2016 PDHPE SNOW TRIP

A magnificent trip where "A picture tells a thousand words". Yours in alpine sports,

Mr Corbitt and Mr Jones































SURFING SCIENTIST

A group of our best scientists in Years 7,8 and 9 were exposed to some great science action and ideas from Ruben Meerman, the Surfing Scientist. As always Ruben brought along plenty of fresh demonstrations, as well as his renowned LASER and liquid nitrogen experiments.

Several of the new ideas he presented to the boys used their smartphones to enhance their knowledge and understanding of science, including high speed multi-frame cameras in the latest phones to analyse motion and using the in-built accelerometer (used for the screen rotation) for graphing motion, vectors and acceleration due to gravity. Ruben also used the compass app on the phone to detect magnetic fields resonating from a current carrying coil.

The boys were shown how digital cameras have a wider range of sensitivities than the human eye by detecting Infra-red rays from a remote control unit. There was a laser demonstration on how a dark balloon absorbed more energy than a light coloured balloon by popping a balloon inside another balloon.

Change of state and particle kinetic energy was shown by deflating a balloon with liquid nitrogen whist a cool trick of electrostatic repulsion was presented with a static charged balloon and some metallic tape.

Ruben was generous enough to stay behind for another hour to talk to the interested boys and share his knowledge. All the boys appreciated the cool nature of modern science and hopefully this will inspire some of the boys to pursue a career in science and technology.

Mr Robertson Head Teacher Science













DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S AWARD YR 9 BRONZE

Starting at Bundeena, via the ferry from Cronulla, the Royal National Park Coast Track has been a favourite of Asquith Boys for many years. It stays close to the ocean the entire way and traverses some beautiful beaches. At Marley Beach, we collected all the plastic waste which had washed up. This was a promise to Tim Silverwood, a recent guest speaker at school and founder of the Take3 project (www.take3.org.au).

We walked through different areas of vegetation from heath to rainforest where we saw wattlebirds, honeyeaters, swamp wallabies, lizards and whip birds amongst the abundance of wildflowers. The steep descent to Garie Beach will be made easier in the near future due to the huge sandstone steps being choppered in.

The campsite is great, right next to the beach at Era but early evening rain put a stop to any outdoor activities. Sunday, though, was warm and sunny. We passed through some of the old shack communities dating back nearly 100 years and then climbed up to the cliff top at Otford through the palm jungle.

The photo is of the group at the end of our walk. Thanks to Mr Yates, Mr Murphy and Mr Kitto for leading.



CLEAN4SHORE

Members of our Environment Council went on another boat trip with Mr Yates up the Hawkesbury River as part of the Clean4Shore project together with the founder, Graham "Jono" Johnson. As well as cleaning



the remote beaches along the river, the boys found time to explore the many caves and discovered a rope swing. They were treated to a hot chip lunch on return to Brooklyn.



LYREBIRD GULLY

Some Year 10 boys and Mr Yates' Year 11 Earth and Environmental Science class were invited by the National Park Rangers to help regenerate Lyrebird Gully. This will be an ongoing project which will teach them valuable skills. The day was spent in backbreaking weed removal work.



FACULTY NOTES

ENGLISH

Term 3 is always an incredibly busy term, particularly for our Senior students.

This term saw **Year 11** sit for their Half-Yearly exams and **Year 12** sit for their Trial HSC and engage with a very intensive revision program in the lead up to the actual HSC at the beginning of Term 4. We encourage Year 12 to maintain their diligence during the student vacation time. Often employing a variety of study methods can facilitate this. Consider:

- Study in groups and test each other on key concepts, syllabus dot points, aspects of the rubric;
- Peer mark your classmates essay tasks and provide them with detailed suggestions for improvement;
- Select a venue other than your home → maybe a study room in the local library, outdoors;
- Use EDROLO to revise (ALL HSC students have access to this resource for FREE);
- Email your teachers your drafts.

We wish Year 12 the very best in their exams and with their future endeavours.

Ms Jessica Schadel Head Teacher English

HSIE

Year 11 have just completed their final examinations at the end of Term 3. This is a time to ensure that students are effectively utilising their time during class and at home as well as reflecting on where they can improve in the future. It is a time where students should develop and improve upon a range of skills such as reading, comprehension and written communication. It is advised that students utilise their results to reflect and improve in order to strive for their personal best.

Year 11 Society and Culture students completed a Speaking Task during the last few weeks of the term prior to their final examinations. Students were required to analyse their ideas in preparation for their major written Personal Interest Project which is part of the HSC Course. They had to provide an outline of their topic, the reasons for their topic, the possible challenges that they could face with their project as well as the research methodologies that they were planning on using in their projects. Student topics included the 'Significance of Soccer', 'Learning another Language' and 'Societal Perceptions of Computer Gamers'. The information provided and the range of topics were of an outstanding quality.

Year 9 and 10 Commerce classes have been studying the topic 'Running a Business' in Term 3. Students were required to work in pairs or groups of three to create and pitch a new product or business to their class peers. Their teachers, Mrs Fawcett and Mr Kitto, had to decide whether to invest in the product or not. The students developed an impressive range of business ideas and products including clothing brands, smart phone apps, restaurants, fitness centres, retail outlets, websites and wearable technology.

Year 7 Geography classes completed an assessment task regarding World Heritage sites. Students were required to research three sites of their own choosing and analyse the cultural and natural significance each of these sites had. There was a wide range of Heritage sites chosen and all work was completed to a high and pleasing standard.

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Mrs A Fawcett
Teacher HSIE

MATHS

It has been a busy time in the Mathematics Department. **Math Peer Tutoring** is still proving to be a roaring success. Mitchell Brooks from Year 8 has written a note about Maths Peer tutoring: 'Maths Peer Tutoring is a great thing that happens after school every Monday, Thursday and Friday. It goes for an hour after school and there are free lamingtons which I always thoroughly enjoy. Math Peer Tutoring is run by the Maths Staff at ABHS, in which they have gathered some older boys from ABHS to tutor the boys that attend. They are very helpful and have especially helped me with my homework. I have improved so much with Math Peer Tutoring and I can understand maths much better and I am getting better results in my exams. I definitely recommend

it to any of the boys that are struggling with maths or to those who are just too busy and looking for a time to get their homework done, come to Math Peer Tutoring.'

Math Club has been expanding the minds of the mathematicians in attendance.

Conor Ryan wrote a note about the **World of Maths Day** that was recently held at ABHS: 'On Thursday 7E, 8E and others spent period 2 or 3 solving some maths problems. We were split into groups of four and were all given 1 period to try and solve as many maths problems as we could. The activities were about combinations, weights, area and perimeter. We had to try and find the shortest walking distance around a Zoo, whilst visiting all the animals. Our group managed to solve 7 of the problems. Overall the Maths incursion was great fun and I would have liked to spend more time on the problems.'

Students from **Year 7-11** have been studying hard for their examinations and **Year 12** have been working hard as they near the finish line and their HSC examinations. We are looking forward to seeing many pleasing results and would like to wish our Year 12 students the best of luck for their HSC.

Our Year 12's were serenaded by some younger students (David Mays, Jackson Tuynman and Andrew Mihalarias) using Mrs Batey's creative lyrics that go along to Bohemian rhapsody. The boys loved it!! A big thank you to Ms Batey and the 3 gentlemen for their fun performance. Check out the lyrics below.

Mr Mark Miles Teacher Maths

> This is the school life This isn't fantasy Caught in a nightmare No escape from reality

Till year 10

Open your eyes
Look up to the board and see
There is a maths test, I need some sympathy
Because I don't like maths, it's too hard
Have to think, hurts my head
Anyway we must go, maths is mandatory till year ten

Mama just failed my test
Was too hard for my poor head
Wish I'd studied for the test
Mama, Mr Johnston said
To pass you have to study every day

Mama ooohhhh Didn't mean to make you cry I'll go back there again this time tomorrow Carry on, carry on, I will try to study harder

It's time, to get some help

Can visit Mr Milęs, Mr French or Ms Zhou too

Support, Is an option, they are so good

Gotta love the cakes and chocolates that they have

Mama oooohhh I really wanna try I often wish we never had math at all

I see a little silhouette of a man
Mr Shead, Mr Shead will you make a maths club please?
Mrs Laffer's coming
Very, very frightening me
Tuck your shirt in (tuck your shirt in)
Pull your socks up (pull your socks up)
Time to work and learn some math
Time to work

 a^2 plus b^2 , please someone help me π is a food source, from the fruit family Spare me a life of more geometry

Time to go, time to go, will you let us go
Math club's on. Please! we really want to go (let us go).
Math club's on. We really want to go (let us go)
Math club's on. We really want to go (let us go)
Really want to go (let us go)
Really want to go — o — o — o

Oh Mr Shead, Mr Shead (Mr Shead, we are here)
The Maths Club is a very helpful thing for me, for me

So you think when you test me I won't survive So you think I won't study and not even try. Oh baby, just you wait and see, baby Just gotta get 10, just gotta get 10 outta 10

Maths club is the answer Anyone can see Maths club is the answer Maths club is the answer for me.

We will go to maths club now.

CAREERS

Recent Events

Defence Forces Careers Talk

Representatives from Defence Force Recruiting Parramatta, visited the school on Monday 5th September and talked to interested students re opportunities in joining the Army, Navy or Air Force, in trades, direct entry or attending ADFA. Information sessions are also regularly held at Parramatta. Students who want more information please see Mrs Fry.

Coming Events

AIE Open Day

Sat 19th November, Sydney and Canberra Campuses

Learn about the courses designed to get careers started in game development, 3D animation and visual effects. The day will include a presentation on different areas of industry to get into as well as information about AIE full-time and part time courses.

http://www.aie.edu.au/openday

UTS: Info Day

5th January 2017, 10am to 3pm

Info day is the last opportunity prospective students will have to obtain advice from UTS about academic study options before main round offers for 2017 close.

https://infoday.uts.edu.au/

ACU Early Achievers Applications Open

Applications open 8th August & close 17th October

Students who have made contributions to their community or shown leadership potential can apply to ACU's Early Achievers' Program. Successful applicants will receive an offer before the usual tertiary offers round. http://www.acu.edu.au/study_at_acu/alternative_entry/early_entry

Apprenticeships

Apprenticeships Plus

Apprenticeships Plus match prospective mechanic apprentices with the best mechanic career options in NSW. They regularly have apprenticeships/traineeships available in the following areas:

- Light Vehicle
- Heavy Vehicle
- Motor Cycle
- Paint & Panel
- Marine
- Auto Electrical
- Car Detailing

http://www.mtaplus.com.au/

Australian Apprenticeships: My Gain Videos

The next series of Australian Apprenticeship My Gain videos have been published on YouTube. These videos ask apprentices and trainees to respond briefly to set questions about their job and job hunting experiences. They are directed at young people contemplating career pathways and show where to look for job opportunities.

https://www.youtube.com/user/AAPathways

NECA Electrical Apprenticeships

Electrical Apprenticeships NSW / QLD / ACT is a not-for-profit organisation owned by the peak industry association, NECA. Electrical Apprenticeships NSW / QLD / ACT currently employs over 600 Electrician and Telecommunication Apprentices and is seeking to recruit up to 150 more to commence in early 2017.

http://www.necagt.com.au/

Rail Careers

There are a wide range of careers available in the rail industry, these include engineering, customer service, corporate jobs and more. This website provides information about the industry and provides students with information about how they can succeed in the industry.

http://railcareers.net.au/

Important Information for Year 12

This note is primarily about University applications through UAC and applying for EAS and SRS!

This is a gentle reminder that there are now 2 weeks left for on-time UAC applications by 30th September,

UAC – University Admissions Centre:

This is the centralised organisation located near Olympic Park station where applications for admission to most undergraduate university courses at participating institutions are processed (mainly located in NSW and the ACT). UAC also administer and process applications for Educational Access Scheme; Equity Scholarships and the Schools Recommendation Scheme

EAS - Educational Access Scheme

The EAS offers help to students who have experienced long term educational disadvantage gain admission to university.

If you have had a period of at least 6 months (as at before the end of October 2016) during Year 11 and/ or 12 where your educational performance has been seriously affected due to circumstances beyond your control or choosing, you are eligible to apply for EAS: http://uac.edu.au/eas. This requires specific, relevant documentation to prove the applicant's situation.

To apply for EAS through UAC, students need to be either citizens of Australia or New Zealand or a permanent resident of Australia and this includes a holder of a permanent Humanitarian visa.

The EAS booklet – which is downloadable from the website, will give you the details of such disadvantages – for e.g. there are several categories including: disrupted schooling, financial hardship; home environment difficulties including family breakup, personal illness/disability; English language difficulty; refugee status and school environment. There are sections within the application where a "school or responsible person" is required to complete. The EAS application is given back to the student and then it is the responsibility of the student to ensure that the application gets to its destination safely.

...and please note that if you are experiencing Financial Hardship, you should have a look at the Equity Scholarships section under the main UAC front page on the website.

You can download all the relevant information at http://www.uac.edu.au/equity/

SRS - Schools Recommendation Scheme:

After you apply for admission to university through UAC, you can also then apply for the SRS. Participating institutions have their own policies on determining SRS eligibility and making offers. There is no charge for applying for the SRS and you submit only one simple online SRS application. Your UAC application number and UAC pin is required for this – but this MUST be done by 30th September (the on-time UAC closing time). While the Scheme aims to help students who may otherwise not be offered a place at uni, there are no restrictions as to who can apply for SRS – except that the criteria is similar as applying for EAS - students must be after undergraduate admission; be a citizen of Australia or New Zealand and have permanent residency or hold an Australian permanent resident humanitarian visa. As not all universities are participating in the Schools Recommendation Scheme and there are certain degree courses within participating universities that will not be considered for the SRS application, it is important to ensure that the course of your choice and the Uni of your choice will be participating if you want to be considered.

After the Scheme's closing date, the school will provide the assessment of a student's ability via a separate online rating process and then the institutions consider applications.

Please have a look at the website to learn more and to apply for the SRS: http://uac.edu.au/srs/

UAC will still accept university applications after the "on-time" date – but will charge an extra fee for this – depending when application is actually submitted – up until November.

The information provided on the UAC website is very helpful at www.uac.edu.au

TSFX EXAM/Study Tip: The Smartest Way to Work Through Past Exam Papers

http://www.tsfx.com.au/hsc-study-tips/

Study assist

Information for students about government assistance for financing tertiary study. http://studyassist.gov.au/sites/StudyAssist

The Good Universities Guide 2017

The 2017 edition of *The Good Universities Guide* was released last month and features comprehensive information about Australian higher education providers and their courses, and new five-star performance ratings.http://australiancareersservice.com.au/2016/09/06/good-universities-guide-2017-now/

The Guide has a list of questions and answers for Year 12 students if they're still considering their options about tertiary study.

http://www.gooduniversitiesguide.com.au/Support-Centre/Where-do-I-start/I-am-finishing-school

Western Sydney University: Scholarships

Autumn Session 2017 applications close – 6th March 2017

There are numerous scholarships available at WSU for semester 1 2017. These range from scholarships from local government areas to Rotary scholarships and internal university scholarships. Further information about each scholarship can be found on:

http://www.westernsydney.edu.au/informationabout/scholarships_home

C.A.S. Hawker Scholarship

The C.A.S. Hawker Scholarship is awarded to Australian students, usually those entering their first year of university. It is awarded based on personal qualities, demonstrated leadership and academic ability. Applications for the 2017 scholarship open 5th December 2016 and close 6th January 2017.

http://www.hawkerscholarship.org/

Mrs J Fry Careers Adviser

ASQUITH BOYS HIGH SCHOOL CALENDAR TERM 4 2016

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT/SUN
Week 1A	October 10 Staff and Students Return	October 11 Formal Assembly (Student Leaders Investiture)	October 12	October 13 HSC begins	October 14	Oct 15/16
Week 2B	October 17 WALKATHON	October 18	October 19	October 20	October 21 ABHS Band visit to Lake Macquarie	Oct 22/23 Bunings BBQ Dural
Week 3A	October 24 Year 7 Swim School White Card Training	October 25 Year 7 Swim School White Card Training School Council P&C Meeting	October 26	October 27 Year 7 Swim School	October 28 Year 7 Swim School	Oct 29/30
Week 4B	October 31	November 1	November 2 Yr 11 Reports Issued	November 3	November 4 HSC Ends Year 12 Sign Out Day	November 5/6
Week 5A	November 7	November 8	November 9	November 10 Year 12 Formal	November 11 Stage Band to Clarke Rd School	November 12/13
Week 6B	November 14	November 15	November 16	November 17 HIGH SCHOOL EXPERIENCE DAY	November 18	November 19/20
Week 7A	November 21 Year 10 Yearly Exams	November 22 Year 10 Yearly Exams P&C Meeting School Council	November 23	November 24 Formal Assembly (SRC Induction & Winning House)	November 25	November 26/27
Week 8B	November 28 Yr 11 Construction & Hospitality VET WP	November 29 Yr 11 Construction & Hospitality VET WP	November 30 Yr 11 Construction & Hospitality VET WP	December 1 Yr 11 Construction & Hospitality VET WP Year 9 Camp	December 2 Yr 11 Construction & Hospitality VET WP Year 9 Camp	December 3/4
Week 9A	December 5	December 6 Yr7 2017 ORIENTATION DAY School Council Finance Meeting	December 7	December 8	December 9 Beach Day Winning House	December 10/11
Week 10B	December 12 PRESENTATION NIGHT	December 13	December 14	December 15 Reports Issued	December 16 End of Term 4	December 17/18
Week 11A	December 19 Staff Development Day	December 20 Staff Development Day				





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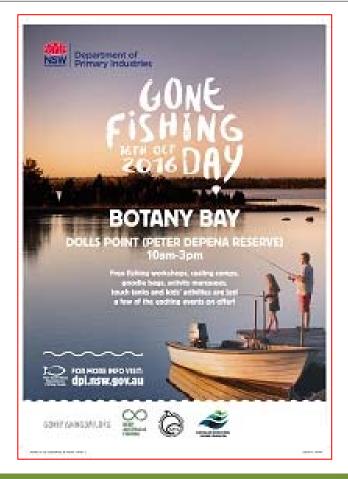
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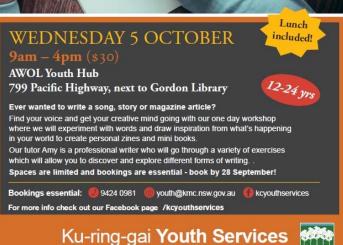




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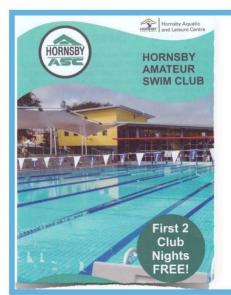
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Clinical Psychologist Susan Bartho (M.Clin.Psych., M.A.P.S.)

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Bring on Summer at Hornsby!

The new swim club season is just around the corner. Hornsby Amateur Swim Club meets every Friday night at Hornsby Aquatic and Leisure Centre from 6.45 to 8.30pm leaving your weekends free!

We cater for all ages and abilities with 25m, 50m, 100m, 200m and relay race events

> Come along on Friday October 7 to register or 'test the waters' before joining (pool entry applies).

Contact the HASC Committee for more information at hornsbyswimteam@gmail.com or visit our website at http://hornsby.swimming.org.au

And like Hornsby Swim Club on Facebook!

Saturday 15th October SPRING FAIR 2016



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You are cordially invited to the Hornsby Ku-ring-gai



Who: Everyone (community, partner organisations, consumers/clients, families & carers, clinicians & staff)

When: Monday 31st October 2016, 2.30pm-4pm Where: Boronia Room, Hornsby RSL Club, 4 High St, Hornsby

Please RSVP to Dee Milton on 9887 5635 or at Dorcas.Milton@health.nsw.gov.au by 14th October 2016.

'Afternoon Tea with Andrea' is an initiative that came about as a result of the Community Engagement project, which found strong community support for increased opportunities to informally connect with the leadership of the Mental Health Drug & Alcohol (MHDA) services, in each

The afternoon tea will be hosted by Andrea Taylor, Director MHDA. It will be attended by other members of the senior leadership team, including Leanne Frizzel, Mental Health Service Director; Mark Joyce, Director of Nursing MHDA; Kathi Boorman, Director of Child & Youth Mental Health; Dr Michael Paton, MHDA Clinical Director; Kingsley Waterson, Director Drug & Alcohol; Andrew Clement, Program Manager Specialist Mental Health Services for Older People; as well as senior representatives from across our services.

The function will include a brief presentation from Andrea Taylor, providing information and updates regarding the MHDA services broadly, and the local Executive representatives regarding local updates in Child & Youth services, Adult Mental Health, Specialist Mental Health Services for Older People and Drug & Alcohol Services. Partner organisations will have an opportunity to briefly introduce themselves and their services (please bring along your brochures to share). Afternoon tea will be served on arrival and all present will have the opportunity to chat and connect.



Back Page Gallery

Wild Dog of Asquith paintings by Ms Cooke's Year 7 Students















