

# ASQUITH BOYS HIGH SCHOOL COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER BACKCHAT

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Year 9 students, Mr Broome and Mr Moscos ready for Legacy collection





# PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE Mr Bryce Grant

Term 3 is by far the busiest on the school calendar. In recent weeks we have had many events that have showcased the talents of our boys and our great community spirit.

As our Year 12s complete their final school days we wish them the very best in their upcoming HSC Examinations and congratulate them on their commitment and dedication to their studies which has enabled them to reach this point. Ms Holder had the pleasure of speaking to the boys and their families this week at their graduation dinner where she reiterated how significant the achievement of graduation from school is and how proud we all are of them. Over the past few weeks, I am repeatedly reminded of the fine young men that they have become. The boys are well supported by our dedicated teaching staff who have organised many study days in their upcoming holiday break to continue to support and strengthen their learning.

Our Year 11 students have recently completed their final preliminary course examinations and now have an opportunity to reflect on the success of their examination preparation techniques before they begin their HSC course in Term 4. They too will continue to be supported by our teaching staff throughout their HSC year, with opportunities for study skills seminars and access to career guidance from Ms Fry to ensure that they too can work towards achieving their goals.

#### **Welcome to Mr Michael Hoareau**

We are able to announce the new Asquith Boys High School Deputy Principal as Mr Michael Hoareau, who has been appointed into the position, replacing Mr Skehan. He joined us for morning tea on Thursday September 20 for a formal introduction to the staff. Unfortunately, due to current school commitments and expectations Mr Hoareau will not be joining us until Week 10 of Term 4. This will mean that Mr Bolger will remain as Acting Deputy Principal for Years 8, 10 and 12 for the remainder of Term 3 and up to Week 10 of Term 4.

#### NAPLAN Results - Years 7 and 9

NAPLAN results were received and distributed to the students during Week 9 of this term. Over the coming weeks we will reflect on the individual performances and address any concerns that are clearly evident in the results and from our analysis.

#### **Annual School Walkathon – Friday 7 September**

I participated in my second Walkathon on what was a glorious spring day with a brisk ten kilometre walk from the school, through the back streets of Asquith and Wahroonga, before entering the bush track that led down to Apple Tree Bay.

A drink, two sausage sandwiches and a cake filled the stomachs of close to 400 hungry boys, with many keen for the opportunity to retrace their steps and return back up the track to school without having to catch the bus.

It was a great day to share and behold the positive behaviour of our boys and their enthusiastic participation on the day. This event has been a proud fund raising tradition at Asquith Boys High School for the past 28 years. In this time the school has raised over \$210,000 for significant school projects and the Royal Flying Doctors Service. This year again the fundraising will be donated to the Royal Flying Doctors Service and any remaining funds allocated to the support the farmers appeal by purchasing much needed hay for their livestock. The highest student fundraiser will receive a premium family season membership to Sydney's Wet 'n Wild.

#### Asquith Boys High School Father and Son Breakfast – Thursday 6 September

More than 150 guests attended the father and son breakfast, enjoying quality time with their sons while consuming the quality hot breakfast prepared by Mr Bird's Year 11 Hospitality students. A couple of the Hospitality students were required to leave home on the morning around 5am to ensure that they were at school on time to commence the required preparations for this major school event. Research has repeatedly shown that fathers play a major role in the development of our young men and it is vital that we take as many opportunities as we can, to share time and be present with our sons. Thank you to all of the fathers who took some time out of their busy schedule to have a nice hot breakfast with their sons on this cool winter morning.

#### **Legacy Week Collection**

Congratulations to our Prefects, Year 9 students, Mr Broome and Mr Moscos who raised over \$10,000 for Legacy in week 8. This is an incredible amount for a worthy charity that supports returned servicemen, veterans and their widows and was one of the highest amount raised in the NSW Metropolitan area by a school. I would like to acknowledge one of our Year 12 students – Brendan Greig, who in an incredible effort raised almost \$2000 for the charity by himself. This is yet another example where we can take pride in our boys' continued generosity to their local community.

#### Hall Entry/ Foyer Upgrade

We eagerly anticipate the completion of our new forecourt area outside the Hall. The P&C recently applied for and received a very generous donation for the project from Hornsby RSL for \$3000, and as a committee they have raised and generously provided the school with the funds required to redevelop this area. This has included the pruning of trees, removal of all the overgrown and unsightly plants, and employing a professional landscape company to construct a beautiful garden, walk through/entry to the hall and gathering area for our students, parents and school guests. This area was in extensive need of redevelopment, and this make over will ensure that area is presented in the best possible light for all our major events. presentations and formal assemblies. With continued support from the weather gods the construction and landscaping of the area will be completed over the coming holidays.



Mr Grant receiving the \$3000 cheque from Hornsby RSL, Steve Rigney & John Dee

#### **Incoming Student Leaders**

This week we also announced our new Year 10 School Prefects who have the privilege of representing our school over the next twelve months. There were 31 excellent Year 10 nominees for the prefect positions in 2019, who presented themselves proudly and with distinction to their peers. With an exceptional range of students to select from Ms Kelly and myself are excited by the quality of the students elected by their peers, and also disappointed for the quality of students who missed out on attaining one of these highly sought after positions. Elected School Prefects are aware that they are required to appreciate the honour that they have been bestowed and will be required to work hard to maintain the integrity of the role.

We congratulate the 16 new prefects and also the Year 12 Senior Leaders for 2019:

- Thomas Dandie School Captain
- Zachary Howe

  School Vice Captain
- Harrison Vo Senior Prefect

#### Congratulations

- Mr Melrose and Mr Josephs for their outstanding organisation of the Annual School Walkathon, which is an incredible whole school event and well participated by all the students who attended and where extremely well behaved throughout the entire day.
- Mr Newton and all the CAPA faculty for the recent excellent CAPA Formal Assembly to highlight and celebrate our excellence in the area of Creative and Performing Arts.
- To our cricketers Corey Miller, Brody and Jayden Camp who have been selected to represent the Asquith Boys High School at the Regional Championships

Finally, I would like to wish all families a safe and happy holiday and hope that the boys take this opportunity where possible to relax, reflect and rejuvenate for the upcoming final term of their 2018 studies.



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE BRONZE MEDALLION RECIPIENTS Term 3, 2018

Well done Nathan and Matthew Szeliga and Luke L.



# RELIEVING DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Mr Ryan Bolger

The next 6 weeks are important times for our Year 12 students. The have been provided with an abundance of guidance and skills in order to ensure that these weeks are fruitful from a study perspective. In recapping some of these:

- Be organised a planned timetable and having resources out the night before will save any wasted time the following day.
- Get your study out of the way early in the day. This will give you a sense of accomplishment and doesn't leave the thought lingering in the back of your mind that you still need to do something.
- Device free make your study environment mobile and distraction free.
- Most examinations will be up to 3 hours practice studying for extended periods of time
- Access and complete past papers.
- Respect your peers and their study habits don't bug your peers to hang out with you if they are
  trying to study. Look to get onto a similar study routine/timetable as your peers and encourage
  each other. Don't hide behind the fact that you want to go well in your examinations and achieve
  your best.
- It's often easy to study the subjects and areas that you enjoy and feel that you know well don't overlook holes in your learning and spend the time on strengthening these.

Likewise Year 11 are completing their preliminary courses and should look forward to a well-earned break. When they return they will be straight into their HSC coursework. Term 4 will be an important time to stay on top of the workload and to set positive study and revision habits. Assessment tasks often build up deep in Term 4, so make sure you get off to a good start with positive routines.

Congratulations to all involved in another successful Walkathon. This day has been a highlight on the school calendar for decades. Over the early years of the Walkathon the money raised contributed to the basketball courts and subsequently funds raised have been allocated to various projects around the school and supporting the Royal Flying Doctor Service.

#### **DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE**



Ms Catherine Holder

Term 3 is the time that HSC students' individual projects and performances are examined and marked by NESA. Credit needs to be given to the boys and their hardworking teachers for their efforts in getting the boys over the line by their due dates. Huge credit also needs to be paid to the CAPA/TAS team led by curator Ms Cooke for a triumphant 2018 Annual Exhibition.

Term 3 is by far the busiest in terms of events and demands on Year 12 and the teaching staff. As it comes to a close, we farewell Year 12 and work on final preparations to ready them for their last big task; the HSC examinations. This critical time is one where they need to strike a mindful balance between celebrating and taking advantage of every possible opportunity offered by teachers to revise content, submit practice responses to examination questions, and access useful school resources. On behalf of the school community I want to wish our graduating class every success and safe passage in their future endeavours.

Term 4 is busy for everyone across the school with the final HSC Examinations, Swim School, Presentation Night, Year 8 Camp, Valid Science Tests as well as many assessments and examinations which will fall due in the eighth week leading up to the reporting period. Students need to ensure they are up to date with classwork and submit all tasks and assignments on time. Remember too, that students can always get extra help and/or advice from class teachers; learning and support staff; school librarian, Mrs Hamilton and Year Advisers. Term 4 is also a time that many pieces of work will come home to parents from all subjects including TAS and Visual Arts. Please take the time to talk to your son about his favourite aspects of his work.

I have been required to address a number of issues around the behaviour of a small number of students at Coles Asquith. The school policy and rules regarding Coles are that the boys are **not allowed to enter after 8am or before 4pm on any weekday**, unless they are under the supervision of their parents. This rule is in place to protect students from being accused or associated with antisocial or criminal behaviour in the store that will lead to the police being called. Please ensure your son understands and follows these guidelines.

With the advent of Term 4, the boys will transition to summer school uniform. Ties and senior blazers are not required on a daily basis, however, every student needs to meet the clear standards outlined in the uniform policy every day. Presenting ourselves in a positive and appropriate manner to meet expectations is a life skill. This includes wearing grey school shorts and black, polishable leather school shoes. The question of shoes has implications for boys in practical subjects as they cannot enter or work in TAS workshops or Science labs unless they are wearing safe footwear. This means that they cannot complete certain tasks or meet course outcomes unless they are wearing safe footwear. If for any reason your son is unable to wear a piece of school uniform on a particular day, please ensure you provide him with an explanatory note. I encourage you to contact the school if you wish to discuss any aspect of the uniform policy.

Lateness is an issue which affects everyone from time to time. Families are often complex and mornings can have challenges. It is vital however, that the boys are taught the importance of punctuality and responsibility for actions. If you know in advance that your son will be late in extenuating circumstances, please supply a note detailing the reason. Regular and persistent lateness is an issue which disrupts learning for whole classes and as such is a discipline issue.

Please remind your son that 3 occasions of lateness or out of uniform in a four week period will incur a two week placement on NOGO, preventing attendance at sport, or gaining early leave for seniors.

Please have a wonderful and safe school holiday break. We hope that all our boys return in one piece, with no broken limbs.

# Creative and Performing Arts - CAPA FACULTY NEWS

I have now had the pleasure of being a part of the Asquith Boys school community for two terms in the role of Head Teacher CAPA. I can honestly say it has been a pleasure and I have enjoyed getting to know the boys and our wonderful staff. I am looking forward to next term to continue to collaborate with Asquith Boys staff, nurture the talents of our students and watch them grow in the arts.

This term has been a most busy one. We have had a range of drama activities including the HSC showcase in conjunction with Asquith Girls High School. This gave Tim Harris, Andrew Mihalarias, and Aaron Parise the opportunity to show off their acting prowess in front of a captive audience. I was also excited to learn Jackson Salloch has been selected for the State Drama Ensemble. This is an outstanding and well deserved achievement. The next entertaining Drama event will take place on November 5 and 6. Our boys will star in Asquith Girls High School Musical – 'Much to do about Everything'. If you would like to attend and purchase tickets, please go to the following link: https://premier.ticketek.com.au/shows/show.aspx?sh

Our annual 'Mad Night' was conducted at the end of last term, it was a huge success due to the hard work of Mr Newton, Mr Kitto and Ms Gowthorp and the talents of the students who practised to present polished performances in the realms of Music and Drama. Term 3 was also a nerve racking time for our Drama and Music students who conquered their fears and produced quality work during the HSC practical examinations in Drama, Music 1 and Music 2.

We were very proud of our students who performed in the NSW Band Festival early this term. The bands achieved two golds and two silvers. We also participated in a HSC showcase evening 'Musicale' at Asquith Girls School. The extracurricular ensemble played to a packed out hall. There was not a seat left in the house! Our Music boys were also an outstanding addition to the Asquith Boys Community Day, which featured our musical performances 'On the Green' and our stage bands on the quad.



To cap off the term, we hosted the annual CAPA and TAS Exhibition. What an incredible night! Ms Cooke spent many an hour of her 'free' time curating a highly professional exhibition with the help of our wonderful curatorial team of boys. I was highly impressed with the quality of work that was showcased and so impressed with our young men's talents.

The exhibition guests were entertained through the night by Aidan Waters who played guitar, Rui He's

impressive HSC musical piece and the Year 12 HSC Drama performance featuring Tim Harris, Andrew Mihalarias, and Aaron Parise. Many thanks to Ms Karen Bird and her catering boys, who ensured the crowd of over 300 people were fed with delicious treats.

Some art opportunities being organised for the boys this year will be an excursion to Cockatoo Island to link with an art program based on Industrial Landscape and Photography, a three day residential GATS art camp at Blue Gum Lodge in Springfield for selected students, the Artex Art Exhibition and competition based on the 100 year anniversary commemorating the armistice of World War 1 'The War to end all Wars'.

Please read the following articles written by CAPA staff members to find out more details of the wonderful events I have mentioned.

Mrs Linda Robson CAPA Head Teacher (Relieving)











HSC Drama Showcase performances by Tim, Aaron and Andrew

#### **MAD NIGHT 2018**

The annual highlight in the school calendar, Music and Drama (MAD) Night, is an exciting opportunity to showcase the high calibre of Performing Arts talent currently attending Asquith Boys High School. This year's event was another enormous success, with students from all years taking part both individually and in groups.

In Drama, Year 9 and 10 students presented scripted works and costume designs that they had rehearsed and created in class. The works ranged in genre from comedic melodrama 'High School, What's Not to Love' to realism 'The Sports Commentators' showcasing the natural confidence and wide skill-set present in the class.

Special Drama mention goes to Conor Seery, who delivered his first monologue. The piece was an emotional rollercoaster devised from the movie Good Will Hunting.

Congratulations to all of these actors - especially those who were performing for the first time to an audience other than their peers. Well done!

Music elective classes from Years 8-12 effortlessly had the audience grooving in their seats. Year 8 rock group Perentie and Year 9/10 punks The Hippy Slugs are to be congratulated on their debut gig. Seasoned rockers The Squadron and The Forgotten also demonstrated what hours worth of rehearsing and dedication can achieve with their polished, professional sound.

Acoustically, Cameron Jacob-Clarke and Zac Gordon with Ben Russell played stripped back versions of popular songs in an intimate, yet inviting way.

Our Junior and Senior Stage Bands brought along foot-tapping, sophisticated swing Jazz to the evening, under the guidance of Mr Joe Manton. The combined AGHS and ABHS Concert and Wind Ensembles both performed difficult, luscious orchestral works, as conducted by Mrs Alex Manton.

Special musical mention goes to Andrew Mihalarias and DJ Neru from Year 12 on their last appearances at MAD Night. We wish them and their fellow HSC musicians all the best in their upcoming examinations.

An event like this can only happen with the support of our school's executive; sponsorship from Turramurra Music, Asquith Bowling Club, Odeon Cinema and Mt Colah Pharmacy; Bradley Flood and Luke Antrim for their sound and lighting engineering, Ms Linda Robson for Photography, Mrs Inez Beckerleg and the Office Staff for their behind-the-scenes organisation, Mrs Roscarel for her continued support, Mrs Bird and her TAS students for their time and cooking skills, all of the wonderful CAPA teachers, the ABHS staff and the audience of parents, friends and family. THANK YOU AND SEE YOU NEXT YEAR!

#### Mrs Gowthorp and Mr Newton











ASQUITH GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL IN ASSOCATION WITH ASQUITH BOYS HIGH SCHOOL PRESENTS

Much ado about EVERYTHING!

> MONDAY | 5.11.2018 | 7:00PM TUESDAY | 6.11.2018 | 7:00PM

CONCOURSE DRAMA THEATRE
CHATSWOOD

TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM TICKETEK

#### **NSW BAND FESTIVAL - SYDNEY**

On a sunny Sunday at the end of July, our Junior Stage Band, Senior Stage Band, Combined Concert Band and Combined Wind Ensemble participated in the Annual NSW Band Festival at the Sydney Conservatorium of Music. The day was jam packed with independent and public schools from across the state, who competed in a plethora of events determined by the music that they performed.

Under the guidance of Mr Joe Manton (Stage Bands) and Mrs Alex Manton (Combined Ensembles), our Junior Stage Band and Wind Ensemble were both awarded silver and our Senior Stage Band and Concert Band were awarded gold. These outstanding results reflect the hours of hard work from all of those boys involved, including 7:15am starts twice per week. Enormous congratulations to all of our fabulous musicians involved in the band program.

Mr Newton, Music Teacher

















#### **HSC VISUAL ARTS**

"The creative achievement and the aesthetic pleasure lie in using standard forms to achieve unique effects and original insights."

Year 12 Visual Arts have certainly used their creative thinking to expand the possibilities of their Body of Work. As is the nature of boys in Visual Arts, they are happy to take risks and explore their chosen form. They are also trusting of the advice they receive from their teacher and take it "on board" which is evidenced in their artmaking practice. Each of the boys chose to go on a journey and sustained their art making throughout their HSC year. While there were challenges and difficulties, no one gave up instead they found solutions and made judgements as to where to go next. It goes without saying that the supply of Tim Tams and Wagon Wheels assisted with motivation as well as the occasional Red Skin. They were open to exploring the work of other artists and recognised that artists do not work in a vacuum. It was refreshing to see that each of the boys were able to implement their skilled based learning, that was developed throughout their stages of Visual Arts, and adapt it to their independent inquiry.

The penultimate highlight was the exhibition of their work at the Visual Arts exhibition where they were able to share their achievements with their family and friends. They received a myriad of critical acclaim for their efforts. They are to be congratulated on their success. I am very proud of them all - Jack Beckerleg, Xavier Beijerinck, Matthew Burns, Anthony Hew, Carson Liao, Rui He, Taylor Jackson and Yicheng Zhao. While this is the end of their secondary education, I hope that the boys will continue to enjoy the Visual Arts in the big, wide world whether it be the visiting of galleries, the dabbling of art making or the documenting of their lives via their camera phone. Ultimately, I think Kurt Vonnegut (the author) summed it up beautifully:

"Go into the arts. I'm not kidding. The arts are not a way to make a living. They are a very human way of making life more bearable. Practising an art, no matter how well or badly, is a way to make your soul grow, for heaven's sake. Sing in the shower. Dance to the radio. Tell stories. Write a poem to a friend, even a lousy poem. Do it as well as you possibly can. You will get an enormous reward. You will have created something."

Ms Caroline Cooke, Year 12 Visual Arts teacher























# **DUKE OF EDINBURGH - Silver Expeditions**

The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award is the world's leading youth achievement award. It encourages young people to get involved in a range of different activities based across four areas: skill, physical activity, service and the adventurous journey. Participants who have completed the Award have demonstrated significant improvements in self-confidence, leadership skills and resilience.

This term has seen our Silver Duke of Edinburgh participants head off on their practice expedition. We teamed up with a group from Crestwood High to complete the Cowan to Mooney Mooney section of the Great North Walk.

Some reflections from Otis Van Egmond-Jones, one of our participants:

On August 9, 4 Year 10 students Mitchell Bennie, Otis van Egmond-Jones, Lucas Reynolds and Jaap Bal set off from Cowan station to begin their Duke of Edinburgh Silver practice hike.

The hike began at 9am, and accompanied by 4 students from Crestwood High School we started our journey along the Great North Walk. Our walk was adventurous, stopping at Jerusalem Bay first we were encapsulated by the stunning views. The first day was by far the most invigorating, traveling extensively up-hill. That night we camped at Brooklyn Dam which allowed the team to rest the legs and prepare for the up-coming endeavour.

The following morning the team was ready to embark, and with some last-minute adjustments we were off. That day we caught the ferry from Hawkesbury River to Patonga. With a fashionably late ferry we had a more than bumpy ride towards Patonga but arrived there all in one piece. That day was the easiest following along fire trail for the majority of the afternoon, and we arrived at our campsite with plenty of time to spare. Our first port-of-call when we arrived at camp was to drop our packs and head straight up to the summit of Mt Wondabyne where we were amazed by the stunning views from the top.

The final morning we continued along the Great North Walk until eventually we reached the suspension bridge. Once we crossed the bridge the end was in sight. With less than kilometre to go, the only feeling was accomplishment. Once we reached the end we all discussed how we could make the hike better. Then with open arms we welcomed the end and sat down with a final degree of satisfaction.

By Otis Van Egmond-Jones

The Silver participants will head off again during Week 9 to complete the Six Foot Track in the Blue Mountains as their qualifying expedition. They will be accompanied by Mr Robertson and Ms Connolly.

Ms Connolly Duke of Edinburgh Coordinator



The trek



Jerusalem Bay



Brooklyn Dam



Scopas Peak



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6th September 2018

# Asquith Boys High School

#### The School Photographer Re-Order Photos

Please find below, a list of all the sports/special photographs. These can be viewed both online at <a href="https://www.theschoolphotographer.com.au">www.theschoolphotographer.com.au</a> and at the school.

Online Order Code: 18S543HSP40A

If you wish to order please either;

- collect an order envelope, fill out/enclose payment and return to school.
- visit our website and order/pay online.

#### The photo prices are:

\$16.00 each, 2 for \$30.00, 3 for \$42.00, 4 for \$52.00 or 5 for \$60.00.

Any additional photographs are \$10.00 each. This discount is only available per family order.

Payment options – Cash or Money Order payments enclosed in the order envelope.

ONLINE Payment by credit card – Envelope NOT required

The photos will be available to view and purchase online

# All Orders to be made by 19<sup>Th</sup> October 2018

\*Please note if payments are not received before photos are sent to the school, a late fee of \$5 will be incurred\*

Name of Group	Name of Group		
Barista	Captains		
Environment Team	15s Cricket Premiers		
1st Grade Cricket – Sydney North Premiers	House Captains		
International Football Tour – Hong Kong	Junior Debating Teams		
Junior Futsal Premiers	Junior Stage Band		
Oztag Junior B	Peer Tutoring		
Rock Band	Senior Stage Band		
Sports Captains	SRC		
Sydney North 18's Rugby Union	Sydney North Swans Shield AFL Premiers		
Transitional Leaders	Year 11 Prefects		
Year 12 FUN	Year 12 Prefects		

# IN THE KITCHENS

#### **Year 9 Food Technology**

This term has been a busy and exciting one for these students. They have been studying the unit Food Equity. They have learnt about the distribution of food around the world and the factors that affect food availability. The students were keen to hold a cake stall and sausage sizzle to raise funds for the drought stricken farmers. They raised \$766.70 which has been donated to the cause.



Later in the term, these classes prepared produced and froze meals for the local homeless people. A representative





from 'The Dish' has collected these meals and they will be distributed where needed. The students worked effectively and maturely without any complaints that they were not eating the food that they had prepared. The Year 9 Food Technology classes should be very proud of their effort.

#### Year 11 Hospitality

This class has been busy both working through the syllabus and cluster tasks while catering for school functions such as the Art/TAS Exhibition and the Father's Day breakfast. The students have worked tirelessly during these catering functions and have demonstrated their ability to work collaboratively.









#### CONSTRUCTION



The Year 12 Construction class laying a concrete slab for the horticulture green house shed.







#### CAREERS INFORMATION

#### **Coming Events**

#### Recruitment Day - Apprentice & Trainee Positions 2019 by the Australian Training Company

- 27 September 2018
- 14 November 2018
- 23 January 2019

All sessions start at 9.30am and will be held at 30-32 Pomeroy Street, Homebush. To attend a session please register at <a href="https://goo.gl/forms/oJzUG2FyPwbQXTJo1">https://goo.gl/forms/oJzUG2FyPwbQXTJo1</a>

#### The Hotel School – Info Evening – September 26 - Phillips St, Sydney

If your interest is hospitality, tourism or business management and you want to explore a global career path then join us. Find out more - https://hotelschool.scu.edu.au/events/sydney-information-evening/

#### SAE Qantm - Study for a Day - 6 October

Want to study Animation, Graphic Design, Film or Games? These workshops are a fantastic way to experiment with the creative media fields, and can provide great insight for those who are still unsure of their study plans. Our lecturers will introduce you to technical skills in your discipline of choice, and provide insight into careers in your chosen field. https://sae.edu.au/news-and-events/events/

#### AIE Industry Experience Day - 3 October -10am - 3pm FREE

Level 2, Wentworth Park Grandstand, Wattle St, Ultimo

AIE's Industry Experience Days are a great opportunity for students in Years 10, 11 and 12 to learn about the local and international game development, 3D animation and visual effects industries. Students will get the opportunity to learn about the different pathways to get into the industry, what should be in a portfolio and will be able to get creative in practical workshops using industry-standard 3D animation and game development tools. The sessions are run by industry professionals who have worked on some blockbuster games and films. Everything is provided for you to participate in the hands-on workshops and you will be using the same software that is used in the industry. If you are thinking about a career in the games or film industry then we highly recommend registering for the free event. http://www.aie.edu.au/IED

#### Code 4 Fun - School Holiday Workshops - 8-12 October

Coding is a challenging yet rewarding experience. As the digital landscape continues to change so will the way in which we communicate within it. Once you learn how to code the only limit of what is "possible" is your imagination. Learning how to code will allow the students of this generation to become architects of the future. At Sydney Programming School, we ensure that our students are equipped with the necessary tools to help them build their very own games, apps and interactive stories. Kids start from Scratch to advance to real programming languages such as Python, JavaScript, HTML, CSS, Phaser and Unity3D programming. https://www.code4fun.com.au/

#### **Important Information**

#### **TAFE, VET & Apprenticeships**

#### Flow Smart - Apprenticeships - NSW

The Flow Smart Group are a progressive, innovative company that is passionate about teamwork, quality and learning. We pride ourselves on being humble and family oriented, we care about our employees, everyone will have an opportunity to excel in their chosen career and we provide our employees with endless challenges and career opportunities. They are seeking apprentices in:

- Fitting and machining
- Welder Fabricator

Find out more - https://www.flowsmart.net.au/careers

#### Master Painters Australia – Apprenticeships - NSW

If you're considering your options post-secondary school, then an apprenticeship may be what you're looking for. An apprenticeship offers young people employment and on-the-job training opportunities and has the great benefit of a career in the making upon completion.

They also run 3 day pre-apprenticeship programs – register here to find out when the next one is on.

Register your interest here - <a href="http://www.masterpainters.com.au/apprenticeships">http://www.masterpainters.com.au/apprenticeships</a>

#### **NECA - Training & Apprenticeships - ACT**

Electrical Apprenticeship. Get paid to learn, use your trade around the world, opportunities to grow and diverse range of work. Find out more - https://www.necatraining.com.au/electrical-apprentices/

#### **University Information**

This is important information for current Year 10 and Year 11 students regarding ANU New Admissions for 2020 The ANU has revealed its new admissions model, which will apply to domestic school leavers applying for university from Semester 1, 2020 (i.e. anyone currently in Year 11 and below).

In summary, the main changes are:

- Direct application to the university
- Early application (March May in year 12) and early offer (early August)
- Single application for admissions, scholarships and accommodation
- Holistic view of the student, including a co-curricular or service requirement

You can find more information about the changes here: http://www.anu.edu.au/study/apply/new-admissionsfor-2020

#### Western Sydney University - HSC True Reward

Our unique program makes an early offer into a University degree based on corresponding HSC subject band outcomes, not the ATAR. Application are now open to all 2018 NSW HSC students.

Read more - https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/future/study/application-pathways/hsc-true-reward.html

#### **ACU Bachelor of Education Studies**

The Bachelor of Educational Studies has been designed for students who are passionate about becoming teachers, but do not achieve the entry requirements. Students who successfully complete their first year of study (subject to meeting certain progression and non-academic requirements) will be guaranteed entry into the second year of the Bachelor of Education (Primary) or the Bachelor of Education (Early Childhood and Primary). For more information about pathways into ACU early childhood, primary or secondary teaching courses, see our website - http://www.acu.edu.au/about acu/faculties, institutes and centres/education and arts/schools/ study areas/education pathways

#### **Study Medicine**

New updated information has been added with 3 new degrees leading to medicine including La Trobe University's rural medical pathway. Study Medicine now details 60 degrees <a href="https://www.studymedicine.com.au/">https://www.studymedicine.com.au/</a> See also the latest listing of deadlines (end September and October) for all medical programs in Australia https:// www.studymedicine.com.au/deadlines/

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Mrs J Fry Careers Adviser

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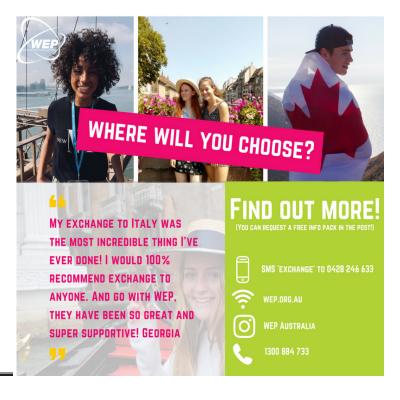
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#### **P&C ASSOCIATION**

# Parents and Altzens working together for our school

Dear Parent Community,

#### Hall Improvement Project to commence in October

The P&C are pleased to be donating money raised through the P&C Grounds Levy and also from the Community Festival for the proposed school hall forecourt improvement works.

These works include a fabulous brick paved entrance space directly outside the main doors to the school hall. The paving will use Commemorative Pavers which have been purchased over the last 9 years as well as pavers retrieved from the upgrade of the Year 7 area. The project provides a gathering and seating space for hall events as well as an accessible pathway between the Hall and Peats Ferry Road entry. The works are to commence in the October holidays.

Tempe Beaven
P&C President
president.abhspnc@gmail.com

Next P&C meeting- Tuesday 23 October

@ 7.30pm in the Library.

All welcome.

#### FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST

On Thursday 6 September we had 90 hungry fathers, sons and grandfathers attend our annual Father's Day Breakfast. Besides having their stomachs filled with an amazingly yummy hot breakfast they were also able to enjoy the art which was still on display from the Art exhibition. Although it was an early start to the day, there was a lot of talking and laughing around the tables, indicating the men enjoyed their time together. Thank you Dads and granddads for taking the time out of your schedule to spend some quality time with you boys.

Thank you to Ms Bird and Ms Booth who along with all the wonderful Year 11 Food Technology students never fail to impress. Thank you also to Ms Tapner who helped set up the hall.

#### Michelle Roscarel, Event Coordinator







# Community Day Sunday 19 August

After a break last year, it was touch and go whether the Community Day still had enough support to make it happen. Just as all hope had been lost, a core group banded together to give it new life. AND it was so worth it! We had an excellent turnout and a great vibe despite the wind and cold!

#### **Highlights**

To the bands and performers, you shone this year! The new addition of *Music on the Green* was the talking point of the day and will have to be a mainstay from now on. To all the car owners, including the Police and RFS volunteers who formed our fabulous *Concourse of Cars* you made the top oval the place to be. Congratulations to Lionel Walker and his Jaguar XK140 for winning Most Spectacular car. Next was the bubble soccer. If you have not seen the hilarity of 20 legs sticking out of plastic bubbles, running on the ground, flailing in the air and helplessly rolling along you must come next time! Hope it is as fun to do as it is to watch. Community Day is now a tradition and the most important tradition of the day revolves around the football field. The stands of supporters

that come to watch the Moscos Cup and Blackwood Shield are always a sight to see! Even more amazing are the players that are willing to come back every year to sweat it out, risk injury and compete around a football, to celebrate Asquith Boys!











As always the BBQ had lines of people waiting. The cake stall, coffee cart, environment stall and 'Old Boys' were highly popular. Mention must be made of the lovely gesture of the environment stall to give a free lemonade to all the volunteers on the day. In the middle quad, the stalls were well patronised and the book stall did a bumper trade this year. The jumping castle, face painting and slushie machine were appreciated by the many young people that visited! It was terrific to see so many staff and students come through the school on the day to support the festival.

#### Thank You:

- To our sponsors, Coolibah Constructions and Toys Online. Your generosity was so appreciated. Thanks also to the companies and individuals that donated prizes. The raffle table was overflowing with amazing baskets!
- To Mr French and Ms Gowthorp for being the school liaisons, coordinating the student volunteers, promoting the day and working so well with the P&C; Ms Holder for face painting; Mr Robinson, Ms Riley, Ms Polson and Ms Michas on the Environment stall; Mr Jones, Mr Moscos and Mr Blackwood for the organisation and set up of the football matches, Ms Tapner and Ms Fry with the Barista Boys Café, Steve for set up and pack up, Mr Newton for coordinating music and bands from various schools and finally Ms Robson for being the photographer on the day. Lastly thank you lnez and the office staff for dealing with our endless requests and to Mr Grant and Ms Laffer for supporting the day from beginning to end! If we have missed any staff, apologies.
- The boys (and a few girls) that come along to volunteer were outstanding! The committed Barista Boys were Seb Elliason, Harry Vo, Luke Jennings, Callum Geelan, Blade Puckeridge and Sam Parry. The sound crew who assisted Mr Newton were Brad Flood and ex student Jack Argent.
- To the Volunteers helping sell raffle tickets, take donations, run bubble soccer, play soccer, perform in the bands, set up, pack up, do Martial arts displays and endless spontaneous tasks – you were all invaluable!
- Thank you to all the hardworking ABHS P&C members for making this day possible. We all worked well as a team for a common purpose, to make sure everyone who came along enjoyed their day and money was made to support the boys!

#### Money raised

Speaking of money...final figures are not in but so far we raised nearly \$4000 to go towards the hall surrounds upgrade! What an effort by all involved.

#### **Future Events**

The next P&C Community Festival, now that they are biennial, will be in 2020 and will coincide with the school's 60th Anniversary Celebrations. A committee led by 'Old Boy' Chris Kent have already started to get plans underway!















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# Service adjustments to Asquith

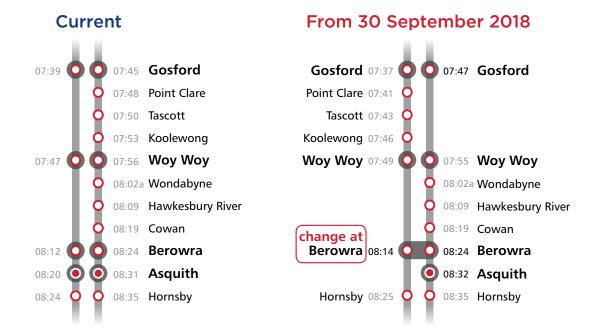
**From 30 September**, Transport for NSW will be making adjustments to Central Coast train services. Some students travelling between the Central Coast and Asquith in the morning and afternoon may need to adjust their travel.

#### From Gosford and Woy Woy

- The **7.39am** limited stops service from Gosford will **no longer operate**.
- Students can catch the 7.47am direct service from Gosford which arrives at Asquith at 8.32am.

#### From Point Clare, Tascott and Koolewong

- The current direct service arriving at Asquith at 8.31am will be removed.
- From 30 September, students should catch the service arriving at Berowra Platform 1 at 8.14am.
- · From there, students can make a same platform connection onto the 8.24am service which arrives at Asquith at 8.32am.



Students from Wondabyne, Hawkesbury River and Cowan who wish to arrive in Asquith by 8.32am can continue to travel to Asquith as they do today. The same applies for students between Wyong and Narara.

Central Coast students who need to arrive at Asquith earlier than 8.32am should catch a service to Berowra, where they can make an easy connection to a T1 North Shore line service to Asquith. One option is to catch the 7.23am Gosford service which arrives at Berowra at 7.58am (stops include Woy Woy, Wondabyne, Hawkesbury River and Cowan). From Berowra, students can connect to the 8.03am service to Asquith, arriving 8.12am.

Early morning students from Lisarow and Niagara Park will have to change at Woy Woy first to connect to a Berowra service before catching an Asquith-bound service.

In the afternoon, the 2.54pm Asquith to Newcastle service will no longer stop at Asquith. Students should catch the 2.36pm Asquith to Hornsby service and connect to the 2.53pm Newcastle-bound service which stops at Woy Woy, Gosford, then all stations to Newcastle.

Minor adjustments may be made to arrival or departure times. Students will be able to plan their trips from early September by visiting **transportnsw.info**. Staff will be on hand to assist customers. Regular announcements on board trains and at stations will also be made to ensure a smooth transition.



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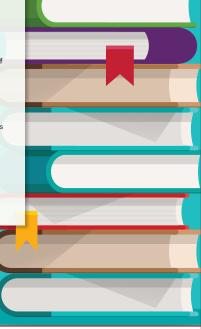
Tuesday 2 October to Wednesday 31 October Access is strictly from

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	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT/SUN
Week 1A	October 15 Staff and Students Return	October 16 Formal Assembly (Student Leaders)  Yr7 Vaccinations	October 17	October 18 HSC starts	October 19	Oct 20/21
Week 2B	October 22	October 23 P&C Meeting	October 24	October 25	October 26  Band Fest	October 27/28
Week 3A	October 29 Yr8 VALID - Science	October 30 Yr8 VALID - Science	October 31 Yr8 VALID - Science	November 1 Yr8 VALID - Science	November 2 Yr8 VALID - Science	Nov 3/4
Week 4B	November 5 Yr8 VALID - Science Yr 11 Reports issued  ABHS & AGHS Musical (Chatswood Concourse)	November 6 Yr8 VALID - Science  ABHS & AGHS Musical (Chatswood Concourse)	November 7	November 8	November 9	November 10/11
Week 5A	November 12 Yr 10 Exams	November 13 Yr 10 Exams	November 14 Yr 10 Exams	November 15 Yr 10 Exams	November 16 Yr 10 Exams	November 17/18
Week 6B	November 19	November 20 Yr12 Formal	November 21	November 22 HIGH SCHOOL EXPERIENCE DAY	November 23	November 24/25
Week 7A	November 26 Yr7 Swim School	November 27 Yr7 Swim School P&C Meeting (Visual Arts)	November 28	November 29 Yr7 Swim School Formal Assembly (SRC Induction & Winning House)	November 30 Yr7 Swim School	December 1/2
Week 8B	December 3 Yr 11 Work Placement	December 4 Yr 11 Work Placement  YR7 2019  ORIENTATION  DAY	December 5 Yr 11 Work Placement	December 6 Yr 11 Work Placement  Duke of Ed - Bronze	December 7 Yr 11 Work Placement  Duke of Ed - Bronze	December 8/9
Week 9A	December 10 Yr8 Camp	December 11 Yr8 Camp	December 12 Yr8 Camp	December 13 Beach Day- Winning House	December 14	December 15/16
Week 10B	December 17 Reports Issued  PRESENTATION NIGHT	December 18	December 19	December 20 Staff Development Day	December 21 Staff Development Day	December 22/23