



ASQUITH BOYS HIGH SCHOOL COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER BACKCHAT

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RELIEVING PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Mr Michael Hoareau

As term two comes to an end it is important to acknowledge the great achievements and events that have taken place at Asquith Boys High School in recent weeks. The term has seen many wonderful events and activities take place, including recently, MAD night, subject selection evening, various sporting events and formal assemblies to acknowledge and celebrate the outstanding achievements of our boys.

This week we will conduct our 'Meet the Principal' morning, where prospective parents are invited to meet and tour the school with myself. Many of these parents were unable to attend Open Night in Term 1, have recently moved into the area or want to see the school again. We plan to conduct another 'Meet the Principal' opportunity at the end of Term 3.

Teachers have been busy to meet their marking and Half Yearly Report writing deadlines. Student reports will be emailed out to parents, with Year 11 parents having already received them last Friday, and Years 7 – 10 expected to receive them by email before the end of term. A reminder that the Parent and Teacher Evening is on Monday 29th July, Week 2 of Term 3. You will receive further information about the on line booking procedure early in the new term. A considerable amount of time and effort goes into the preparation and completion of your sons' school report, and I anticipate that you find the reports informative and insightful about the progress your son is making at school.

MAD Night

MAD night showcases the boys' talents in the areas of music and drama and took place on Thursday 27th June. The annual event was a great success with most tickets being sold and the audience thoroughly entertained. The event would not have been made possible without the hard work and commitment of the CAPA faculty who gave up their time to make the night possible.

Subject Selection for Year 8 and Year 10

The Year 8 and Year 10 subject selection evening took place on Tuesday 18th June and was well attended by students, parents and carers. The evening ensured students and their parents received vital information about the subjects and patterns of study available in 2020. The night allowed students to gain important advice from their teachers as there was time for students and parents to talk freely amongst staff from all faculty areas. From this year on, the boys will use an online platform to select their subjects, further streamlining the process.

Subject Selection Interview Day for Year 10

These interviews will be conducted on **Friday 23rd August** and take approximately 15 minutes, running from 9am to 12.45pm. The subject selection interviews will give a unique opportunity for all students and their parents to discuss how they can best achieve their goals, finalise their patterns of study for 2020, while ensuring that they meet all the mandatory requirements stipulated by NESA. All students will be required to attend school only for their interview, as there will be no classes for Year 10 on the day. However, **school uniform** is mandatory for attending the interview. Good subject selection and education plans work best if the school and parents work together. We strongly advise that the parents are part of this process and attend this interview. Online Interview Bookings are open and the confirmation of these times will be published and distributed in the near future.

School Works

There have been a number of upgrades to the school of late. The old roofing for all the buildings in the school has been removed and replaced with new ones. Along with the replacement of the roofing, all the outdoor covered walkways have been demolished and replaced with new modern covered walkways throughout the school. The asphalt that is laid throughout the school has also been dug up and replaced. This has been a long but necessary process and we appreciate everyone's understanding and patience as these works have been completed.

Half Yearly Reports

The half yearly reports for years 7 to 11 were emailed to parents over the past week. This will be an excellent opportunity for you as parents to reflect on your son's progress through the first half of the year. It is important that all students reflect on the comments of their teachers and endeavour to implement this feedback to enable them to accentuate their strengths, and more importantly address areas of concern. Importantly, there is a Parent and Teacher Evening on Monday 29th July and we highly recommend that you secure a booking time for your sons teachers to receive one on one feedback on his academic progress. You will receive further information on this evening and booking arrangements in the new term.

Year 12 Trial HSC Examinations

Year 12 students will complete their HSC Trial Examinations in Weeks 4 and 5 of Term 3. We have engaged the services of Mr George Moscos who will also be the Presiding Officer of their HSC Examinations. This will not only assist the students with the consistency of rules and regulations between both examination periods but also enable the teachers more time to provide quality feedback to the students on their performance in the Trial Examinations and prepare for the remaining weeks of class time, in the lead up to the HSC Examinations.

Reader/Writer Volunteers required for Disability Provisions School Examinations

Learning Support is looking for additional volunteers to assist with Reading and /or Writing for students in Year 12 HSC Trials and HSC examinations. This is an interesting and very rewarding task. Coaching support will be available for new volunteers. We welcome offers of support from current parents or grandparents as well as from former parents of students.

The examinations are usually organised as a morning and / or afternoon session and held at various times during August, October and November. Please contact the school office if you are able to volunteer in this capacity.

HSIE at the P&C Meeting

The HSIE faculty were present at the June P&C meeting to discuss all aspects of the HSIE faculty, with a focus on the educational stories of the HSIE staff themselves. It was an insightful experience for the P&C members and a good chance for the committee to get to know the staff of the HSIE faculty.

Congratulations

- **Corey Miller** - Currently on tour in England with the NSW CHS Cricket team
- **Nathan Cosgrove** - Represented Sydney North at the NSW CHS Golf Championships in Yamba
- **Edward Parker** - Sydney North Age Champion in Cross Country and progresses to NSW CHS Cross Country
- **Alex Humphreys** - Qualified for NSW CHS Cross Country
- **Open's Knockout Football Team** - Made it to the regional Final in the state knockout competition. Unfortunately, we went down 2-0 against NBSC - Freshwater.
- **SLR Cup** - our Year 11 SLR boys have done a fantastic job organising the SLR Cup Soccer competition for our Year 7 students. Congratulations to all teams and students involved!

Finally, I wish you all a safe and rejuvenating holiday break and look forward to seeing the boys eager to embrace the multitude of learning opportunities at Asquith Boys High School again next term.

JUNE FORMAL ASSEMBLY AWARDS



Bronze Principal Award and
Principal Medallion Recipients



Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award
Recipients



International Football Tour
Participants



RELIEVING DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Ms Eleni Connolly

It has been a busy time over the last few weeks at Asquith with Subject Selection Evening, MAD Night and a range of guest speakers at Year Assemblies. Once again, MAD Night was a huge success, with students from Years 7-12 performing a wide range of musical and drama items. This is testament to the dedication of both the boys and the CAPA faculty for putting together such an entertaining showcase of the creative talents of our students. We also thank AGHS for joining us for the night, performing in a range of joint band initiatives between the two schools.

Year 10 are currently involved in an exciting community project called "Walk the Talk". This involves supporting a local Women's Shelter and running a project across the grade to help the shelter in some way. On Thursday 27th June, Sally-Ann from Hornsby Kuring-gai Women's Shelter spoke to Year 10 about the positive role they play in supporting the needs of the community. Year 10 will now spend the rest of term deciding on their project to implement throughout Semester 2. We are proud of our Year 10 students for taking on this role and look forward to seeing what they come up with.

Years 7-11 should have received their half yearly reports this week. It is a good time going into the holidays to sit down and reflect on these. I encourage all students to take the time to read through their reports carefully, noting not only the grade but the comments, and to speak to their parents and guardians about both the areas they have achieved success in and the areas for improvement. Establishing strong study habits in the junior school is essential for future success, and devising strategies for mitigating areas of relative weakness going into Term 3 would be a positive approach all students should adopt. These strategies might include dedicating time each week to reading, practising writing ToPEAL paragraphs, revising challenging content or speaking to your teachers to get clarification on course material you are unsure about.

Finally, the mid-year holidays bring a welcome break from what has been a busy term. It is a good time for all students to rest and recharge. Students should take stock of their school equipment and replenish any items which may have been used up over the semester, ensuring that they commence Term 3 with pens, exercise books and the correct winter uniform.

Have a safe and restful holiday!



DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Ms Catherine Holder

With the end of a very busy Term 2 fast approaching, it is important to reflect on the many achievements across the school community.

This has been a term when our boys, supported by their wonderful teachers, represented the school musically at Big Band Blast and Wideview PS Fete. They represented us at Zone Athletics and at the Zone AFL knockout as well as at MAD Night last week.

Term 2 is an intense period of academic assessment and report writing. Most year groups will receive **Semester One reports** by the time they leave for the holiday break. Once these are received, please take time to read them over carefully with your son alongside discussing the advice given by staff. Parent Teacher interviews will be held on the afternoon of July 29. Bookings for interviews will open early in Week 1 Term 3.

Asquith Boys and the Department of Education have policies on electronic devices: Of particular importance is the specification that all devices brought to school are the sole responsibility of the student. As such, boys must ensure they take care of these if they decide to bring them to school. We would urge families to ensure devices have a strong and protective cover, are not left in traffic areas and are covered by insurance where possible.

Mobile phones, especially smart phones, require a high degree of monitoring from parents. I would encourage parents to talk to their son about the responsible use of a smart phone, school policies and expectations as well as the legalities around its use. This is particularly important given a smart phone generally has a connection to the internet that bypasses school filters and systems. Social networking sites such as Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and YouTube specify that users must be at least 13 years old. When at school, phones should be kept secure by the student, silenced and out of sight in classes at all times, unless the teacher specifically permits it. Phones used in class will be confiscated by teachers to remove the distraction.

Uniform, Lateness and NOGO: With the winter season we have seen boys wearing track pants and incorrect jumpers. While we understand that at times, boys' uniforms are wet, the expectation is that our boys will uphold the uniform code as it helps to create a calm and focused school. By the same token punctuality is vital to ensure learning is maximised for everybody. At present there are many boys who are struggling with their morning organisation and this has led to NOGO placements. This is a life skill that they need to develop. Your assistance in helping to ensure students are punctual is greatly appreciated.

Coles: The boys are banned from entering Coles after 8am and before 4pm in school uniform unless they are with a parent. This policy is in place to protect your son and our school from accusations of poor or criminal behaviour in the community. The boys have access to the school canteen offering healthy options. Parents are able to pre-order and pay for their sons using the Canteen Order form.

MESSAGES FROM ADMINISTRATION

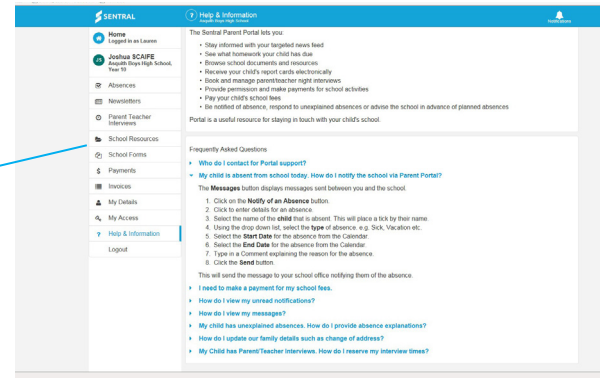
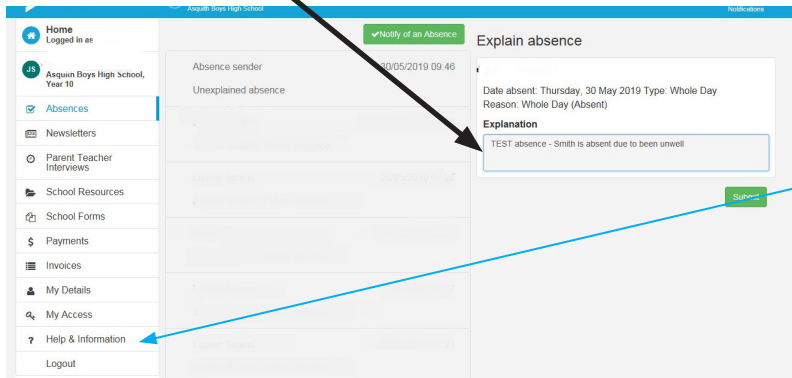
CONTACT DETAILS

Please make sure you keep the school updated if there are any changes to your contact details. It is important that we have your correct **phone number** for contacting you specially in the case of illness. The right **email address** is also crucial.

LATE / ABSENT EXPLANATION VIA PARENT PORTAL / APP

With the new Sentral Parent Portal in full swing you will only receive an SMS notification of your son's absence/lateness if you have NOT registered for the parent portal.

If you have registered for the Sentral Parent Portal/App you will receive an absence notification via the Portal and can explain his absence/ or late arrival on the system.



CASHIER CLOSED ON MONDAYS

We are not able to process any payments on Mondays as the Cashier desk is closed that day. All other days payments are processed from 8.30-2pm. Please remind boys to bring up any notes and payments before school, at recess or at lunch.

Parents can make payments anytime using the POP system via our website.

LOST PROPERTY - LABEL CLOTHING

Please label your son's uniform CLEARLY. We suggest you use a white marker for the jumpers and jackets. When a lost item is brought to Reception we try to reunite it with the owner but more often than not there is no name. Items that have no name end up in the lost property box in the print room. Unclaimed items of clothing are donated to the 2nd hand uniform shop or to Charity at the end of each term.

2ND HAND CLOTHING

We love receiving 2nd hand uniforms and many families make use of the opportunity to purchase pre-loved cheap uniform items. Please remove the name when you donate your items to the uniform shop and if you purchase an item clearly re-name the clothing item.

BREAKFAST CLUB



Do your kids attend Breakfast Club?
Have they told you the quality of the toast has improved?
A huge **THANK YOU** to Tim at **Bakers Delight Berowra** for his very kind donation to Breakfast Club. Tim is kindly donating bread to us each day and we could not be more grateful.

If you live in or near Berowra please support the business that supports us.
Thanks Tim!



Breakfast Club would also like to extend it's ongoing thanks to
Hornsby Woolworths for the weekly supply of fresh fruit they give us for
the boys.

Thanks Woolies!

Colleen Sweeney, Student Welfare Officer (Tuesdays and Thursdays)

NEWS FROM TAS

HSC COURSES

As I write this, the marking dates for all HSC practical work rapidly approaches. Industrial Technology is due on August 15 and Design and Technology on August 29. A link to important dates is [here](#).

This is a reminder to students not to forget to attend to their portfolios, which are marked on the same day as the practical work. Solid exam preparation is scheduled after this time to maximize the students marks overall. Remember that in the Industrial Technology and Design and Technology courses, the major projects and folios are marked by NESA trained markers and not their class teacher. It is imperative that all required information is in their folios as they DO NOT get the opportunity to meet the markers. Below are links to important information about folios and marking procedures:

- [Industrial Technology](#)
- [Design and Technology](#)

PRELIMINARY COURSES

Year 11 ends on the last day of term 3, meaning that preliminary courses are now more than half way through. All students need to fulfill any overdue work and assignment obligations immediately as they will be compromised in their ability to progress to the HSC course in a given subject if they have outstanding work for which they have received Non-Award warning letters. This may mean that they are not eligible for the HSC if they are performing at this level in two or more subjects (excluding English) or if they have two or more unredeemed warnings in just English. It is school policy that all work is to be handed in on the due date in order to avoid penalties.

YEAR 9 AND 10

Students have completed semester 1 assessments for all junior TAS subjects and reports are being prepared for distribution. A reminder that students must submit all work for marking before it is taken home. It is natural that students would want to show off their latest creations, but they must ensure that their teacher gives them permission to take it to ensure it will count toward their assessment.

Year 10 are currently making choices for Year 11 and are encouraged to ask their teachers for any information that will help them make an informed choice. There are six TAS subjects in different areas and there is a lot to know in order to choose wisely.

YEARS 7 AND 8

Year 7 students will have their first changeover of teachers at the start of next term. The class changes are:

- 7 TAS 1 to Mrs Bird for Food and Agriculture
- 7 TAS 2 to Mr Kanny for Digital Technologies
- 7 TAS 3 to Mr Blackwood for Materials Technologies
- 7 TAS 4 to Mr Hughes for Engineered Systems
- 7 TAS 5 to Mr Blackwood for Materials Technologies
- 7 TAS 6 to Mr Kanny for Digital Technologies
- 7 TAS 7 to Mrs Bird for Food and Agriculture

Some **Year 8 Classes** will also change at the start of term 3. These are:

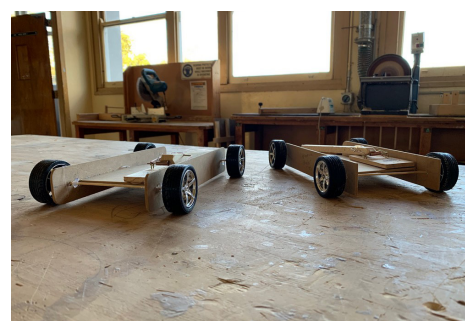
- 8 TAS 4 to Mr Hughes for Graphics Technologies
- 8 TAS 5 to Mr Josephs for Timber Technologies and some Food Technologies

The other **Year 8 TAS** classes will swap over on September 2 (Wk 7 of next term). Their new subjects will be:

- 8 TAS 1 McGowan for Timber Technologies
- 8 TAS 2 Mrs Bird for Food Technologies
- 8 TAS 3 Mr Kanny for Information Technologies

We hope that Year 8 students consider wisely during the subject selection process and choose subjects based on ability and enjoyment rather than on friendship groups. TAS will have many different subjects to choose from so the students should be asking their teachers about them in order to make informed choices.

Mr C Philip, HT TAS



IN THE KITCHENS

Year 7

This semester has seen the introduction of the new Technology Mandatory Syllabus for Year 7. The students have been completing the unit *Australian Hamburgers* where they study agriculture and food technologies. Their task was to create their own healthy hamburger. They had several constraints including; using one ingredient from each of the Australian agricultural industry; use two ingredients grown at the school; and select healthy cooking and preparation techniques. Along the way the students have been learning how to make their way around the school kitchens. They have made Scones, Choc Chip Cookies, a hamburger (to practise for their task), Fettuccine Carbonara, Jacket Potato with filling, Pizza muffins and, to finish off with a treat, Mars Bar Slice. Students are always keen and interested. It is a pleasure to introduce these skills to Year 7.



Year 8

Some Year 8 TAS classes have been studying Food Technology as part of their Technology Mandatory course. They have been working on the unit *Food from Around the World*. In this unit we investigate different foods from different cultures. We also learn about our own backgrounds and family trees and managed to squeeze in a little Easter cooking. The task for this unit is to produce a family favourite recipe (see the last Backchat for photos of this event for 8TAS3). This is a fabulous and successful event and I look forward to repeating this with 8TAS1 early next term. Throughout this unit students have prepared and produced Coconut Macarons, Pasta Alfredo with Garlic Bread, Samosa, Chocolate Muffins where we studied both the English and American muffins, Stir-Fry Chicken with Rice, Mexican Beef Tacos and West Indian Curry Patties. The students thoroughly enjoy sharing their own family experiences and learning about other students' experiences.



Year 10

In Term 1 Year 10 Food Technology studied the unit *Food Trends*. We examined what is 'in' regarding food and presentation. As always, chocolate is 'in' so we had an excursion to Oliver Brown. Students were required to photograph their order. They also took inspiration from this when considering the unit task which was to create a meal suitable to serve at a hospitality establishment that they had visited and reviewed. The results were fantastic and you can see from the photos that their plating skills are terrific. Some of the meals prepared and presented in this unit were Salted Caramel Popcorn, Gozleme, Chocolate Boxes, Pulled Pork Sliders and Steak with Quinoa.



This term Year 10 Food Technology students have completed the unit *Food Product Development*. The students have prepared and presented simple dishes which can be altered to create a new food product. These include: a basic omelette and then creating a vegetarian and meat option; a chocolate mousse to which we added orange rind, honeycomb and a peppermint crisp to create new flavours; Café Choc Chip Cookies made without eggs; and a risotto to which many ingredients could be added for a new flavoured risotto. We also examined fusion food where two traditional recipes are combined. The students created Lemon Meringue Cheesecake Slice for this one which was delicious! The task for this unit is for the students to create their own new food product. They have developed some terrific ideas such as a new Beef Wellington idea and an Australian version Fried Rice.



Year 12

12 Hospitality – These students are working hard to meet the requirements for the HSC and their Certificate II in Kitchen Operations. They have catered for many school events and I am sure that they could prepare Chocolate Caramel Slice with their eyes shut! They catered for the Fathers' Day Breakfast, World's Biggest Morning Tea which raised money for the Cancer Council, the Prefect Afternoon Tea, where prefects from local schools join together, and most recently MAD night. All of this catering does go towards gaining their Certificate II and, of course, I do let them cook for themselves and eat occasionally, the last dish being Sous Vide Salmon with Gremolata and Parsnip Chips.



12 Food Technology – In Term 1 these students studied *Food Manufacture* where they investigated food preservation and deterioration, food additives and levels of production in the food industry. We prepared and produced a variety of jams, pasta and also conducted experiments for microbial growth. More recently, students have studied Food Product Development and their task was to create their own food product suitable for young and active health conscious people. The first practical task was to create a meal from a variety of ingredients without a given method. The students have developed some creative ideas for their assessment task, some of which I could see being sold very successfully in the inner city cafes as they contain trendy ingredients such as Matcha.

Ms Karen Bird



HOSPITALITY – YEAR 11

The Hospitality class has started extremely well, cooking many dishes such as Eggs Benedict, Salmon sous Vide, Bruschetta, Apple and cardamom tartan, Japanese Glazed Meatballs and preparing finger foods for the Open night. I have been extremely impressed with their ability to quickly adapt to the new timetable, including a triple period finishing after school.

The boys recently completed their **Work Placement** with excellent reviews with both Koichi Sasaki and Blade Puckeridge getting notable feedback from their employers about how they performed with an excellent attitude and worked with great efficiency. Phoenix Hackett's head chef also made note that he worked well with a polite and enthusiastic nature. Moreover, he suggested, based on his performance, that this career would be well suited for him.

The boys have come together making a great team. I cannot understate the importance of this. They are completing all their competencies with vigour, with a special mention for Joshua Shaw who has impressed me with his ability to work quietly and then clean up after himself whilst completing his competencies to a high standard. Jayden Camp and Riley Nicklin have demonstrated good leadership skills.

FOOD TECHNOLOGY – YEAR 11

The boys are working extremely hard, sending in drafts for task assessments and ensuring they are taking ownership of their learning within the classroom in both theory and practical classes. They have been reaping the rewards of their efforts in the kitchen, as well enjoying experimenting with denaturation of proteins.

I am extremely pleased with the boys' efforts to date, and encourage them to keep this effort up, as well ensuring they are preparing a home study plan to reiterate the information learnt in class.

Mr T Josephs



THE TUTANKHAMUN ROADSHOW

ABHS students have had the most exciting Ancient History experience as we were incredibly lucky to be able to host the Tutankhamun Roadshow. More than 120 students attended this fantastic exhibition in 3D and 4D. For a full day Asquith was transformed into the Valley of the Kings.

The Modern History students did not miss out, they were invited to experience World War I through an artefact filled day of experiences and knowledge.

The HSIE Faculty works diligently to give our students the best possible learning experiences, so thank you to all students, parents and especially teachers for participating in these fantastic learning experiences.

Ms Adriana Cufre-Sadnick
Head Teacher HSIE

The Tutankhamun Roadshow is a mobile exhibit that displays replicas of artefacts from Ancient Egypt and other historical sites, and allows students to look back into history. At the beginning of the presentation, the students were given cracked pieces of pottery, including bases and necks of ancient clay jugs, which dated back thousands of years ago. Inside the exhibit were multiple different rooms, each with a video presentation surrounding archaeology or King Tutankhamun. Throughout each video, different artefacts became illuminated inside the walls, and at the conclusion of each presentation, all the students were able to walk around and examine the replicas. As a year 11 student, it was especially useful for the Tutankhamun Roadshow to visit our school, as I was able to see an exact version of what I had been learning about in class in person. We may not have been able to go to Egypt, but Egypt came to us.

Thomas Hardwick, Year 11



WORLD WAR I INCURSION

On June 11, the HSIE department conducted a World War I incursion that was attended by Year 9, Year 11 Modern History, the Elective History classes and 8E. It was a fantastic and thoroughly enjoyable presentation. Shane Blackman made the whole experience enjoyable by allowing us to choose from his vast selection of artefacts that have been collected from the World War I battle fields, particularly the Western Front. Items such as a bayonet, a periscope and a gas mask allowed us to get a hands on feel of what it was like during World War I. He even had parts of a digger's uniform, allowing Murray to dress up as a soldier. Shane engaged us as he was very knowledgeable and it was obvious that he was experienced in all things World War I, explaining that his family had served in World War I and World War II.

It was an enjoyable experience for all students. We did not even realise how quick the two-hour session went by. As the session came to a close, we were left to contemplate the experiences that soldiers experienced more than 100 years ago in World War I.

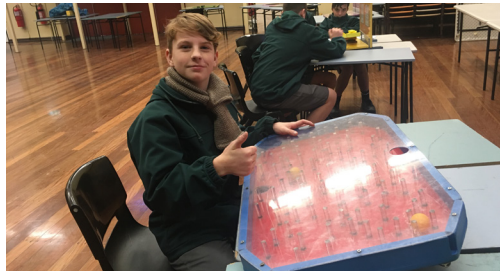
Jasper Hildebrand, Year 8



WORLD OF MATHS

World Of Maths was amazing and I recommend going next year. My group worked well and we got through most of the activities. The activities were fun and educational.

Matthew Mallett Year 7



RYDA EXCURSION - YEAR 11

On May 13, Year 11 students travelled to the HART Driver Training Centre at St Ives where they took part in road safety education for youth. RYDA gives students critical information and strategies that do not come from driving lessons, books or the school classroom.

Students attended six interactive sessions over the course of the day. They were challenged to change the way they think about road safety; they participated in a stopping distance demonstration and gained an understanding of their individual risk profile. The students also received tips from road safety experts on how to protect themselves, their friends and family. Everyone was engaged and hopefully gained a greater awareness of the risks involved in driving.



VISIT BY NSW POLICE TRAFFIC AND PATROL COMMAND

On June 13 NSW Police Chief Inspector Phil Brooks from the NSW Traffic and Patrol Command attended ABHS to present on Road Safety to Year 10 and 11 students. Chief Inspector Brooks emphasised the need for all drivers to be conscious of the risks to themselves and those around them. Students had the opportunity to participate in practical demonstrations where they were able to move around and even sit in the police patrol cars, motor cycles, emergency rescue vans and unmarked patrol vehicles that were all on display.

All the students and staff who participated in this presentation were engaged and appreciative of both Chief Inspector Phil Brooks and his team for making themselves available for this presentation at Asquith Boys High School.

Mrs Bird was even considering a career change!

Ms Karen Bird, Year 11 Year Adviser



SRC REPORT - WORLDS GREATEST SHAVE



On Thursday March 28, Asquith Boys students raised \$9,091.61 for the World's Greatest Shave. The students beat their goal to raise over \$8000, with support from teachers such as Mr Shead and Mrs Robson, who said they would shave their heads if the students collected the \$8000.

Aruto Isobe raised the most money for the school. When asked why he chose to take part in the World's Greatest Shave this is what he said.

"I choose to take part in the Worlds Greatest Shave as I believe it is a very good cause. By raising money, I am able to help those in need through shaving my head. Compared to what those suffering from blood cancer go through, shaving my head is nothing." The support of generous people like Aruto's friends and family helped him raise a total of \$1432.48.

On Shave Day there was lots of support from students and parents. A huge crowd gathered at lunch and the celebrations even ran past the bell. The SRC sold lolly bags which they prepared earlier and the environment club also contributed by holding a guess 'how many cans in the bag competition'. The winner received the return and earn money from the cans.

Written by Malakye Enasio and James Dandie (Yr 8 SRC Representatives)

MAD NIGHT

Congratulations to all performers in MAD Night 2019. The evening showcased the diversity and talent that we have at Asquith Boys High School.

Our combined bands with AGHS, under the guidance of Mrs Alex Manton and Mr Joe Manton delivered polished performances that entertained the audience.

Music elective classes had been busy rehearsing and perfecting their performances in class. MAD Night offers them the opportunity to perform in front of an appreciative audience and see their dedication come to fruition. This year saw the formation of the ABHS Choir. Under the guidance of Ms Ursino, this group has been rehearsing at lunch and this was their debut performance – well done!

Year 9 and 10 Drama used their class time to create original pieces of theatre using the topic The Quest. A variety of work was presented from the comedic to the serious. For some of these performers this was their first time performing in front of an audience other than their peers and they are to be congratulated on their outstanding results.

Special mention to our 4 Masters of Ceremonies – Otis, Matthew, Cameron and Rowan. They drew on their acting skills and ability to work with an audience to introduce the performers.

As always, an event like this can only happen with the support of our schools executive, sponsorship from Turramurra Music, Asquith Bowling Club and Odeon Cinema, Bradley Flood and Blade Puckeridge for their sound and lighting engineering, Mrs Beckerleg and the Office Staff for their behind the scenes organisation, Mrs Roscarel for her continued support, Mrs Bird and her kitchen helpers, all the wonderful CAPA teachers, the ABHS staff and the audience of parents, friends and family – THANK YOU!

See you next year, Mr Newton and Mrs Gowthorp



Photography by Ms Robson (more images on the website)



Invitation to Parents/Caregivers and Year 11 & 12 Students

Alcohol and Drug Information Session Monday 5 August

The session Includes:

- Presentation from experts in the Alcohol and Drug Field.
- What you need to know about Alcohol and Drug Use in Young People.
- Learn how to Support and Communicate with Young People about Alcohol and Drug Use.
- Opportunity to ask questions in Q & A Segment.
- All attendees will receive a USB with local resources.
- Opportunity to speak to Drug and Alcohol Service Providers in the local area.

Details

Date: Monday 5 August 2019

Session Time: 7:00pm to 8:00pm

Venue: Asquith Boys High School

For more information contact:

Asquith Boys High School:

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Asquith Girls High School:

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Light Refreshments will be provided .

Register at: <https://asquithalcoholanddruginformationsession.eventbrite.com.au>

***This event is organised by the Hornsby Ku-ring-gai Community Drug Action Team (CDAT) together with
Asquith Boys High School & Asquith Girls High School***

CAREERS INFORMATION

COMING EVENTS

BARISTA TRAINING COURSE

24 Year 9 students will attend the CBD College to do a 5-hour Barista course on Friday 9th August 2019. The 3 hour morning barista experience teaches the students to how to use the coffee machine. They learn how to froth milk, make espresso, and make all of the coffee that you would find in a café and clean and maintain the coffee machine. In the afternoon, the boys have 2 hours of coffee art and the course results in a nationally recognised Statement of Attainment bearing the units of competency SITHFAB204 Prepare and serve espresso coffee and SITXFSA101 Use hygienic practices for food safety.

UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY - HSC PREPARATION WORKSHOPS

The University of Sydney's intensive HSC holiday workshop is a valuable complement to your school studies. Students will receive a solid induction into HSC exam technique, and critical subject-matter knowledge.

They are running workshops in many subjects, including:

- Biology
- English
- Chemistry
- Legal Studies
- Business Studies
- Economics
- Physics
- Exam Preparation
- Mathematics
- Study Skills

The workshops will be running throughout the July school holidays. You can view a full list of available workshops and enrol [here](#).

ATAR NOTES – HSC LECTURES

During the school holidays, ATAR Notes are holding a variety of Trial Revision Lectures for students who will be undertaking the HSC.

They are held at the University of Technology in Sydney, and feature many subjects including Physics, Maths, Biology, Chemistry, Legal Studies, Ancient History and more!

The lectures are scheduled from Monday 8 to Friday 12 July, and are completely free to attend.

View the full list of upcoming lectures and register your attendance [here](#).

OPEN DAYS at universities, TAFEs and private providers are coming up in August. I would encourage students to visit.

NORTHERN SYDNEY APPRENTICESHIP & TRAINEESHIP EXPO

Tuesday 20 August 2019 – 3pm to 8pm

The Concourse - Civic Pavilion - 409 Victoria Ave Chatswood

WORK STUDY GROW has just released the Study Work Grow **Open Day Guide for 2019**. To help students plan the Open Day season you can access an online version of the Guide, where you can search for events, filter by location, and find them on the map.

Go [here](#) for the online [Open Day Finder](#). Students and parents will need to log in to see the online Open Day Finder, and they can quickly and easily set up their free membership on our school's Careers Hub:

Your Careers Hub:

<https://studyworkgrow.com.au/school/asquith-boys-high-school>

Your School Code: ASQBH19

If you have any problems downloading your copy of the Guide please reach out to Lucy from Study Work Grow, Phone: 0432 860 108, Email: lucy@studyworkgrow.com.au

MY CAREER MATCH specialises in career profiles for students - matching their personality style with the most suited careers.

Fast and easy to use, students discover their natural strengths and talents and receive a career profile that provides valuable information to set them on the right path. Students are available to access this online quiz, please see Mrs Fry for details.

My Career Match has supplied this article re the future of work article released by Deloitte Economics. The report is named "Why the future of work is human" and you can [download your copy here](#).

Robots won't take our jobs, but technology is changing what we do, which means employment is growing in the roles that are hardest to automate. Ground-breaking research reveals how the human skills required to do these roles are hugely under-supplied, and while today's jobs require us to use our heads, rather than our hands, something new is also happening.

The report dispels three myths that tend to dominate discussions around the future of work.

Myth 1: Robots will take the jobs.

Myth 2: People will have many jobs over their careers.

Myth 3: People will work anywhere but the office.

The big skills shift ahead: from hands...to heads...to hearts.

Today's jobs are increasingly likely to require cognitive skills of the head rather than the manual skills of the hands will not be a surprise. Employment has been growing fastest among less routine jobs, because these are the ones that are hardest to automate.

More than 80% of the jobs created between now and 2030 will be for knowledge workers, and two-thirds of jobs will be strongly reliant on soft skills. [Click to View Skills Forecast Head v Heart](#)

Jobs increasingly need us to use our hearts – the interpersonal and creative roles, with uniquely human skills like creativity, customer service, care for others, and collaboration that are hardest of all to mechanise. Demand here is set to soar for decades, and this is actually a liberating trend. Much of the boring, repetitive work will be taken care of by technology, leaving the more challenging and interesting work for humans.

Warm Regards,

Mrs J Fry, Careers Adviser

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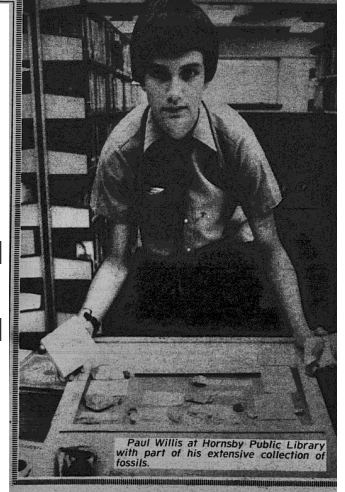
ABHS OLD BOYS

WHEN PAUL MET 'ERIC'

'Eric', the Umoonasaurus was resident in shallow seas covering part of South Australia approximately 115 million years ago. Paul Willis was a student of Asquith Boys High School, living in Berowra 40 years ago.

'Eric' ate fish. He is an extinct four flippered marine reptile, about 2.5 metres long. He was discovered in 1987 by an opal miner near Coober Pedy, in South Australia.

Paul had a liking for fossils, which he started collecting as a young boy. See article below, reprinted with permission of The Hornsby Advocate.



After graduating from ABHS in 1981, Paul completed science studies at Sydney University in zoology and geology. Following doctoral studies Paul became a paleontological preparator at the Australian Museum, Sydney. Paul became a presenter and host for Australia's Science Channel. He worked for the ABC on TV programs such as Catalyst and Quantum as well as radio and online. Paul has written books and articles on dinosaurs, fossils and rocks and is finding new ways to engage Australians in science.

He is a respected leader in the science community with an impressive career in science communication. In 2000 Paul was the joint recipient of the Eureka Prize for Science Communication.

Paul was voted the Australian Sceptic of the Year in 2002. 'Eric' is now a renowned, very rare and valuable, opalised plesiosaur specimen. He resides in the Australian Museum in Sydney. Paul met 'Eric' when he was in pieces, whilst Paul was working at the Museum in Sydney. Paul set about assembling 'Eric'. Eric's residency at the Museum was made possible by corporate sponsors and fundraising by Australian schoolchildren.

In 2011, Paul swapped habitat with 'Eric' by moving to South Australia to take up his position as Director of the Royal Institution of Australia, until 2017.

Chris Kent, for ABHS Old Boys

60th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS IN 2020

We want your memories of ABHS

To commemorate the 60th Anniversary of ABHS, the School is planning a publication, due out before the anniversary in 2020. We would like to include your anecdotes, photos, drawings, awards and memories that tell this 60-year-old story.

If you have any **experience or time** to give to this project please contact Chris Kent

Post items to: Asquith Boys High School 60th Anniversary Publication
PO Box 242, Hornsby NSW 1630.

Please include a stamped self-addressed envelope if you want original items returned

Email items to: Christopher.kent7@det.nsw.edu.au

If you are contemplating an **extended response** to the Publication, please send a brief proposal promptly, outlining your thoughts.

All contributions are required by June 2019

Chris Kent, (former student 1960 – '65, former teacher; 1982 – 2005, Editor Old Boys Newsletter since 2006)

P&C ASSOCIATION

Parents and Citizens working together for our school

Hello ABHS community,

Presentation from Ms Cufre-Sadnick from the HSIE department

Thank you to Adriana Cufre-Sadnick and all of her talented team, Bianca Temple, Kim Timmins, James Kitto and Pares Christodoulou, who came to the June P&C meeting. Parents had an opportunity to get to know the staff, their experiences and interest in the subjects they teach as well as being introduced to the fantastic programs offered in Business Studies, Commerce, Economics, Geography, Society and Culture as well as Ancient and Modern History.

Trivia Night - Saturday 17th August

The trivia night flyer is now up on the school website and the Asquith Boys High School events Facebook page, please follow this to find out about our local businesses that have provided donations and all the booking details for this event. This year's theme is *Second Childhood* and yes we are revisiting all our favourite characters, bands, TV shows and icons of our childhood. There are plenty of ideas on the flyer –see below.

Come with a group and have a table theme or come as a collection of characters. Wear a wig, some outrageous make up or just a funny T-shirt. All funds go to our grounds improvement projects.

Contact Tanja Green for details secretary.abhspnc@gmail.com

Tempe Beaven

P&C President

president.abhspnc@gmail.com

Next P&C meeting

Tuesday 23 July @ 7.30pm in the Library.

All welcome.



Asquith Boys High P+C

Second Childhood Trivia Night

Saturday 17 August 2019

Doors open 6pm for 7pm start at the ABHS Hall

Come as your favourite childhood icon!

Tables of 8-10 Best dressed table award + raffles + silent auction + more

Tickets \$25 per person Bookings at www.trybooking.com/B8TJW

BYO drinks + food + gold coins 18+yrs only

Questions: trivia.abhspnc@gmail.com



ABHS – WEEKLY CANTEEN ORDER FORM

Student Name: _____ **Roll Class:** _____

Parent Name & mobile number: _____

Date: _____ Week: _____

		Cost:
Monday	Recess	
	Lunch	
Tuesday	Recess	
	Lunch	
Wednesday	Recess	
	Lunch	
Thursday	Recess	
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Simple relaxation techniques

Guided meditation (you will be provided with a recording post workshop)

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Importance of pacing strategies

Why studying/working posture is important

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SHOW DATES 2019

5	July	Friday	8pm
6	July	Saturday	2pm & 8pm
7	July	Sunday	3pm
10	July	Wednesday	8pm
12	July	Friday	8pm
13	July	Saturday	2pm & 8pm



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Monday 5th August 2019 5.30pm-7.30pm

A seminar for parents of high school students discussing:

- Understanding Adolescent Development
- Challenges of Parenting Adolescents with strong emotions, including self-harm and suicidal ideation.
- Parent strategies and tips to help parents remain calm and be a resource for their adolescent



- To register please call CYMHS on 9485 6155
- VENUE: Hornsby Hospital Meeting Room 1 near Gate 1, Reception/Switchboard, entry via Palmerston Rd.
- Please allow enough time for parking and arrive 10 minutes before the registered start time.
- Unfortunately, we cannot provide childcare facilities and are unable to have infants/children attend with their parents.
- The seminar is available to families who live in the Hornsby Ku-Ring-Gai local government area.
- The cost of the seminar is \$10. Correct money would be appreciated. There will be no charge for concession card holders.
- Registration is essential as groups fill quickly.
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Pennant Hills High School

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 Thursday 22 August, VA Exhibition, MPC, open 9am - 3pm
 Friday 23 August, VA Exhibition, MPC, open 9am-3pm
 Friday 23 August, Stage 6 Music Soiree, MPC, starting at 7.30pm

ASQUITH BOYS HIGH SCHOOL CALENDAR TERM 3 2019

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	Sat/Sun
Week 1A	July 22 Staff Development Day	July 23 Students Return P&C Meeting-7.30pm	July 24	July 25 Duke of Ed Silver Qual Exp	July 26 Duke of Ed Silver Qual Exp	July 27 Duke of Ed Silver Qual Exp July 28 NSW Band Festival
Week 2B	July 29 Parent Teacher Interviews ALL Years	July 30	July 31	Aug 1 Maths Competition	Aug 2	Aug 3/4
Week 3A	Aug 5 Year 10 Vaccinations Alcohol and Drug Information Session for Parents – 7pm	Aug 6	Aug 7	Aug 8 Formal Assembly (Reports/Winter Sport/Athletics/X-Country)	Aug 9 HSC – Performing Arts Evening 6.30-9pm	Aug 10/11
Week 4B	Aug 12 HSC TRIAL EXAMS	Aug 13 HSC TRIAL EXAMS	Aug 14 HSC TRIAL EXAMS	Aug 15 HSC TRIAL EXAMS	Aug 16 HSC TRIAL EXAMS	Aug 17/18 P&C Trivia Night 7pm
YR 10 SNOW EXCURSION						
Week 5A	Aug 19 HSC TRIAL EXAMS	Aug 20 HSC TRIAL EXAMS	Aug 21 HSC TRIAL EXAMS	Aug 22 HSC TRIAL EXAMS	Aug 23 HSC TRIAL EXAMS Year 10 –Subject Selection Interviews	Aug 24/25
Week 6B	Aug 26	Aug 27 P&C Meeting-7.30pm	Aug 28 AGHS Musicale (6.30-10am)	Aug 29 Fathers Day Breakfast – 7am Yr12 Post Trial Examinations 9am Presentation ART/TAS EXHIBITION	Aug 30	Aug 30/ Sept 1
Week 7A	Sept 2	Sept 3	Sept 4	Sept 5	Sept 6 Yr12 Post Trial Examinations 9am Presentation	Sept 7/8
Week 8B	Sept 9	Sept 10	Sept 11	Sept 12	Sept 13	Sept 14/15
Week 9A	Sept 16 YEAR 11 EXAMS	Sept 17 YEAR 11 EXAMS	Sept 18 YEAR 11 EXAMS	Sept 19 YEAR 11 EXAMS Duke of Ed Silver Qual Exp	Sept 20 YEAR 11 EXAMS Duke of Ed Silver Qual Exp	Sept 21/22 Duke of Ed Silver Qual Exp
Week 10B	Sept 23 YEAR 11 EXAMS Year 12 Graduation Dinner – 7pm	Sept 24 YEAR 11 EXAMS Year 12 Beach Day P&C Meeting-7.30pm	Sept 25 YEAR 12 GRADUATION ASSEMBLY	Sept 26	Sept 27 Meet the Principal & School Tour (9.30-10.30) Last Day of Term	Sept 28/29