



As we move through the final week of Term 1, I wish to acknowledge and thank all of the community for their recent support with the proposed Hornsby-Berowra consultation process. All the many opportunities to consult will expire at the end of this week, and then we wait on the outcome of this process and the decision for Asquith Boys and Girls future later in the year.

Due to the terrible weather storm that engulfed the entire metropolitan area on Friday, we rightly made the decision to postpone the Cross Country Carnival until Term 2. The Cross Country Carnival will now be held on Thursday 2nd May – Week 1.

Summer Sport and Swimming – Formal Assembly

Last Thursday, we conducted our Summer Sports and Swimming Carnival Assembly to celebrate our outstanding results in the recent Summer Zone Sport Competition. Asquith Boys' students played in and were successful in winning 2 of the 6 grand finals, and the two winning sides were our Open League Tag Teams.

At this assembly, we also celebrated the outstanding performances of our students at the Swimming Carnival and subsequent follow up

Representative Swimming Carnivals. A special mention, that Jensen Goodchild has successfully qualified for the Combined High School Swimming Championships again this year. Jensen qualified equal first in the 200metres Freestyle and second in the 200m Individual Medley at the Sydney North Regional Championships. After Jensen successfully defended his Zone Age Champion title from 2023, winning all the Zone Freestyle events from 50m to 400m, as well as the 200m Individual Medley. At the School Carnival Jensen also broke the long standing



100m Freestyle school record, which had been in place since 1978. This incredible 46-year-old record was broken by almost a second by Jensen at this year's carnival. We wish Jensen the very best at the upcoming CHS Swimming Championships.

Parent Teacher Evening – Tuesday 9th April (3.00-6.30pm)

Parent Teacher Evening was a success, with our focus at this evening to be on Year 11 and 12, with the remaining sessions that were available opened to Year 10.

This approach was a success and allowed the Year 11 and 12 student's parents to receive teachers feedback in person, after having recently received Year 12 Half Yearly Reports and Year 11 Interim Reports.

These evenings provide the most comprehensive reflections on your son's progress to date and contribute significantly towards ensuring that they remain committed to all classwork and assessment tasks, as well as being focused within the classroom.

Winter School Uniform – Terms 2 and 3

A reminder regarding school winter uniform for Terms 2 and 3, students are required to wear their ties and school jackets. The important points are outlined below:

- Students must wear a tie for Terms 2 and 3.
 - Seniors must wear their blazers in Terms 2 and 3.
 - Students are **NOT** to wear hooded jackets (hoodies) under their uniform.
 - Extra layers for warmth are **NOT** to be visible underneath your uniform.
- Also, with wet weather, students may wear wet/all-weather jackets over the top of their uniform to remain dry. However, once at school all wet/all-weather jackets are to be removed, as they are not part of the school uniform. As a school, the picture that we present to the broader community is important, and uniform is a big part of that picture. Thank you to all the students and parents who always comply and do the right thing in these and the many other areas of the school.

Students who fail to wear the correct uniform will receive afterschool and NoGo detentions, and repeated infringements will result in them having the incorrect item of clothing confiscated.



WINTER SCHOOL UNIFORM - TERMS 2 & 3

Juniors

Dark grey belt loop trousers/shorts (no elastic waist cargo pants or cargo shorts are permitted). Lace up (black laces only) black leather shoes (not suede, cut below ankle) with a black sole. Green shirt with crest. Ties must be worn for Terms 2 and 3, with the top button of collar done up and the shirt must be tucked in. Grey socks with school colours, must be worn pulled up to the knee. If a belt is worn, it must be black. A green pullover with crest or polar fleece with crest may be worn.



Senior

Maroon blazer. Dark grey belt loop trousers/shorts (no elastic waist cargo pants or cargo shorts are permitted). Lace up (black laces only) black leather shoes (not suede, cut below ankle) with a black sole. White shirt with crest. Ties must be worn for Terms 2 and 3, with the top button of collar done up and the shirt must be tucked in. A maroon pullover with crest may be worn. Grey socks with school colours, must be worn pulled up to the knee. If a belt is worn, it must be black.



Dr Justin Coulson – Online Event (Tuesday 14th May)

On Tuesday 14 May 2024, [Dr Justin Coulson](#) will be holding an online event to answer one of schools and parents' most frequently asked questions: *how do we make kids more resilient?*

This 60 minute online session is aimed at parents, as well as educators. Schools can register for this session on behalf of their parent and educator community.

What will the session cover?

In this session, parents and educators will learn the psychological secrets that build children's sense of identity, strengths, and growth mindset in order to perform better, be happier, and build resilience.

Based on Dr Justin Coulson's best-selling book *9 Ways to a Resilient Child*, this session shows parents and educators how to help their children and students cope powerfully and positively with the challenges that life throws at them. Justin explains the factors that help and hinder resilience, why common advice such as "toughen up Princess" just doesn't work, and how competition and praise may undermine resilience.

What are the event details?

Answers with Dr Justin Series (Online Event for Australian Schools)

Resilience: Developing strength, calm and kindness in our kids

Tuesday 14 May 2024 | 7 pm AEDT

Cost for whole school access: \$600 + GST or included in the Happy Families School Membership (Grow and Bloom tiers only)

Who is Justin?

Dr Justin Coulson is Australia's most trusted parenting expert and author. He is the co-host of Channel Nine's Parental Guidance, and his Happy Families podcast is the #1 podcast in Australia for parenting and family issues. Justin holds a PhD in Psychology and he and his wife Kylie are the parents of 6 daughters.

Hornsby - Berowra Student Consultation

A reminder to parents and caregivers that you can still have your say by completing the online **DoE Consultation for Co-Educational Offerings in the Hornsby-Berowra Community survey**, linked here for your reference - <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HornsbyBerowraConsultationDoE>

Please refer to the letter (attached) sent to parents and caregivers on the 5th March 2024 detailing the consultation and its process.

The only remaining consultation sessions are scheduled for this week and are listed below for your reference. Parents/caregivers can register for these workshops via the <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/consultation-workshop-asquith-girls-high-school-parents-and-carers-tickets-851225938697?aff=oddtcreator>

- **Consultation Workshop Hornsby-Berowra General Public** - Friday, 12 April ONLINE from 12:30-1:30pm

Congratulations to:

- Our Open lawn Bowls team on their recent narrow defeat by Epping Boys High School.

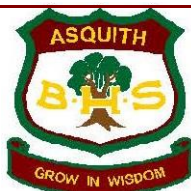


- This week's Bronze Principal's Award recipients:
 - Typhon Jenkins
 - Darcy Nash-Krause
 - Madden Wakeman
 - Gerome Abidan
 - Liam Debney
 - Evan Parise
 - Tyson Hong
 - Joden Ruiz
 - Jai Duncan
- This week's Silver Principal's Award recipients:
 - Haruki Fung
 - Toby Menzies-Jackson
- To the following students for receiving their Bronze Principal's Medallion at our recent Formal Assembly.
 - Oscar Ronberg
 - Jake Younes
 - Levi Mcloughlin
 - Leo Paul
 - Davis Stanley
 - Matthias Mcloughlin
 - Riley Scott-Branagan
 - Eric Leung
 - Jack Bock
 - Thomas Dodd
 - Nathan Adams
 - Julian Cotterell
 - Liam Jones-Blair
 - Riley Heasman
 - Samuel Kingston
 - Jayden Mark
 - Liam Pearce

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all the students and parents of Asquith Boys High School the very best for the school holidays, and I look forward to seeing everyone return healthy and ready for Term 2 on Tuesday 30th April.

Bryce Grant
Principal

10 April 2024



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Consultation for Co-Educational Offerings in the Hornsby-Berowra Community: Initial correspondence to Asquith Boys High School parents and carers

Email to high school parents and carers with survey link and workshop advice

Date to be sent	By COB Monday 4 March
Sender	Principals
Recipients	Asquith Boys HS parents and carers

Subject: Hornsby-Berowra High Schools Community Consultation

Dear parents and carers,

I am writing to you about community consultations that the school is taking part in with the NSW Department of Education. These consultations include a short survey and optional workshops.

The NSW Department of Education is consulting with the school community to hear our views relating to high school enrolment decision-making and collect feedback on a range of proposals for future arrangements at Asquith Boys and Asquith Girls high schools. This includes:

- A. Retaining the existing arrangement where families can choose between Asquith Boys or Asquith Girls high schools and one existing co-educational high school (either Ku-ring-gai High School or Turramurra High School as per designated intake areas).
- B. Reclassifying Asquith Boys and Asquith Girls high schools to become two separate standalone medium-sized co-educational high schools, each servicing their own exclusive intake area community.
- C. One large co-educational operational model spread across the existing Asquith Boys and Asquith Girls High School sites comprised of one junior campus (Years 7, 8 and 9) and one senior campus (Years 10, 11 and 12) servicing a large intake area community.

Please note, in options B and C, Ku-ring-gai High School and Turramurra High School would each service their own exclusive intake area community, no longer sharing geographic drawing areas with single-sex high schools. Students, parents/carers and staff from local high schools and primary schools can participate in the consultation process. The local community and special interest groups will also be invited to have their say.

How to have your say

The consultation period will finish on Friday 12 April. Surveys and workshops are confidential and cannot be used to identify any individual.

Who	How to be involved
<p>High school students</p>	<p>Online survey: Teachers will provide the link to the survey to be completed during school hours.</p> <p>If you do not want your child to participate in the survey, please notify us by replying to this email. Please include your child's name and year.</p>
<p>High school parents and carers</p>	<p>Online survey: Please complete the online survey (once only) for parents and carers.</p> <p>Workshop: Register via this link to participate in the Asquith Boys High School parents and carers workshop.</p> <p>Please note: if you have a younger child enrolled at a public primary school in the Hornsby-Berowra area, you may prefer to attend the primary school parent/carer workshop. You will receive a registration link for that workshop from your primary school.</p>

I encourage you and our students to have a say by participating in the survey and/or workshops. Your voices are so important to the future of education in our local community.

If you have any questions about the consultation or the consultation process, please send an email to HornsbyBerowraConsultation@det.nsw.edu.au.

I greatly appreciate your time and support in undertaking these consultations.