



PITTWATER HIGH SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENTS for 2013

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Congratulations to all those students who are receiving an award on [Presentation Evening](#) this Tuesday. This is a reflection of your hard work and commitment to your learning at Pittwater High School. In preparing the program for the evening, we also decided to include a summary list of some of the many achievements we have made as a school during 2013. For those not at this event, I thought I would include these highlights in my report as we should be proud of our accomplishments.

I would also like to comment on the retirement of executive staff from the school: Deputy Principal David Muirhead and Head Teacher Science Richard Mitchell. These two gentlemen have made a tremendous contribution to Pittwater High School over the years and will be greatly missed. Fortunately we have two very capable people taking their place: Ms Rachel Fleming will be acting Deputy Principal while Rachelle Krilich, an experienced Head Teacher Science and former Science consultant, is filling the position permanently having been successful on interview.

Highlights

- ◆ Outstanding HSC results 2012: dux ATAR of 99.1, second and fourth in the state for French Beginners, 47 students on honour roll, 245 results in top 2 bands, Visual Arts student work selected for display in the State Art Gallery
- ◆ Review of stage 5 curriculum delivery and introduction of third elective line
- ◆ Faculty programming and planning for the implementation of Australian Curriculum 2014
- ◆ Introduction of ALARM, a learning and response matrix to improve student literacy
- ◆ Technology upgrade: implementation of new welfare and reporting management system, installation of additional IWBs and establishment of digital media centre with 25 touch screen high performance computers
- ◆ Installation of school fence with the financial support of MP community grant and P&C
- ◆ Pittwater writing competition: two students placed equal first plus highly commended participants
- ◆ Debutante year 9 debating team won zone final in Teasdale Cup
- ◆ Introduction of Mathletics into teaching and learning
- ◆ 78 students participated in Australian Mathematics competition
- ◆ Science Engineering Challenge team at Macquarie University third on the day
- ◆ Marine studies introduced in Science: aquaponics units and fish tanks installed

CALENDAR	
Tuesday 10 December	Presentation Night
Friday 13 December	Yr 8 Jambaroo Excursion
Monday 16 December	Yr 9 Marine Studies excursion
Wednesday 18 December	HSC Results
Wednesday 18 December	Last day for Students
Thursday 19 December—11am	HSC Morning Tea
Thursday 19 and Friday 20 December	Staff Development Days

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT CONT.—JANE FERRIS

Highlights—cont

- ◆ Agriculture students hand reared 8 kid goats and involved in sheep shearing
- ◆ Enhanced curriculum delivery with combining History and Social Science into HSIE faculty
- ◆ The NSW Law Society Mock Trial team highly successful against regional private schools
- ◆ Study tour to Japan in September with 15 participating students
- ◆ Teacher Ms Mamone guest presenter on Biomimicry in Design at State Conference
- ◆ Instrumental Program: Instrumental groups and individuals participated in School Spectacular, Arts Unit Concerts and Ensembles, Talent Development Program, tours of the Bathurst District and Port Macquarie, participation in NSW School Band, Yamaha and Northern Beaches Instrumental Festivals and multiple concerts at school
- ◆ Approximately 100 students participated in the school musical “Back to the 80’s” with seven performances over a two week period.
- ◆ Year 10 drama performed a full-length production of “Find Me”; year 9 performed Monty Python sketches and year 8 “Playhouse of the Damned”.
- ◆ Visual Arts students work was displayed in the school art exhibition while two year 12 students major works were selected for the Manly “Express Yourself” exhibition.
- ◆ Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme: 70 participants across all three levels - Bronze, Silver and Gold. Three Gold Award recipients were presented an award at Governor House.
- ◆ 2013 First place Grade Sport School for zone
- ◆ Peninsula Cup Rugby Champions
- ◆ Second in Peninsula Inter-school Sailing Regatta, against six private schools
- ◆ Brainstorm Productions presented to year 7 to 9 on cyber-safety, bullying and respectful relations
- ◆ Lifelessons presented to year 8 on drugs and alcohol
- ◆ First state school to attend the Prevention of Alcohol and Risk Related Trauma in Youth at Royal North Shore
- ◆ 50th Anniversary celebration with Back to the Sixties Day: featuring opening of the Time Capsule from 1988, talent fest, stalls and games, costumes from the sixties.
- ◆ Bushfire fundraising initiative by SRC: \$5,500 raised and cards of sympathy written
- ◆ Environment Assembly and Take 3 campaign with launch of new wheelie bins



PHS UNIFORM SHOP OPENING TIMES

FOR FIRST WEEK OF TERM 1 2014

Tuesday 28 January (Staff Development Day) 9am—1pm

Wednesday 29 January 8:15am—11:15am

Thursday 30 January 8:15am—11:15am

Friday 31 January 8:15am—11:15am

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S REPORT—David Muirhead

YEAR 7 ORIENTATION DAY

The school conducted a very successful orientation for our new year 7 students for 2014 last week. We have 180 year 7 students next year and the school is closed to students who are not local to the drawing area. We are very proud to be the preferred choice of the parents in the local area as Pittwater high School is a true community school reflecting the values and the aspirations of the parents and students in the area.

I would also congratulate the Year 10 students on their approach to the recent exam period and their exemplary conduct at The Year 10 formal. The teachers were very proud of the young people at the event and were appreciative of the thanks from the students at the end of the evening.

TEXTBOOK AND FEE SIGN OUT

This week year 10 will complete their textbook sign out on Wednesday morning. Students have been given their sign out forms and parents are asked to contact the principal regarding fees that are outstanding. Year 7, 8 and 9 will complete their fees and textbook sign out on Friday 13 December.

The official LAST DAY for students is Wednesday 18 December 2013

The FIRST DAY back next year will be different for students

Wednesday 29 January 2014 will be Years 11 and 12 along with our new Year 7 cohort.

Thursday 30 January 2014 we will welcome Years 8, 9 and 10 back to the school.

UNIFORM FOR 2014

For 2014 black leather school shoes will **NOT** include suede and a reminder that junior girls blouse is **BLUE** not white. To assist, the uniform shop will be open each morning first week back including staff development day.

As this is the last time I will write in the newsletter I would like to pay tribute to the staff, the students and the parents who have partnered to make Pittwater High School a true community school. I have had the really good fortune to work with outstanding professionals, wonderful young people who have given me great confidence for the future and parents who have shared their enthusiasm, warmth and commitment to their children with me. They have all taught me something about life and indeed made me reflect on what it is to be a Deputy Principal in a successful High School. It has been a privilege to serve the Pittwater community and I wish you all the best in the future.

ENGLISH NEWS—2013 PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE

Every year, the Premier's Reading Challenge is offered to all of our Junior Students from Year 7-9 to undertake the challenging task of reading 20 books for the comprehensive reading list compiled and approved by our Premier. The list includes all of our newest most contemporary novels as well as all of the tried and true classics that have engaged readers for decades. Students have been enticed to read outside of their usual genres by having to choose books from the Premier's list and are thus exposed to wide and varied reading. Each year the list is updated and new titles are added to encourage students to read the latest and freshest literature.

Pittwater High School English Department would like to extend a **Big Congratulations** to the following students for taking on and completing the Premier's Reading Challenge this year:

Year 7

Penelope B
Michael M
Pip P
Sam S
Oliver V

Year 8

Jason B
Angela D V
Liam D
Jordyn H
Remi L
Sam S

Year 9

Joseph A
Ian E
Kezia H
Robert H
Taylor S

These students will receive a certificate from the Premier.

Many other students are also to be congratulated for their enthusiasm in taking on the challenge yet not completing it in time for the September 2013 deadline. We urge you to try again next year and look forward to your future successes.

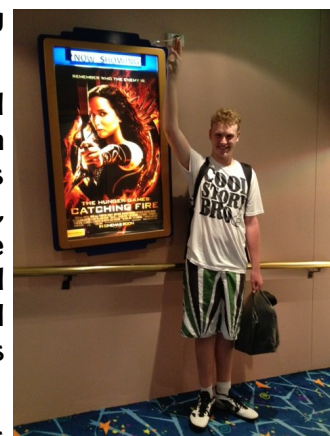
WELL DONE, PITTWATER HIGH SCHOOL.

THE ENGLISH DEPARTMENT CELEBRATED THE OPENING OF THE SECOND HUNGER GAMES FILM; "CATCHING FIRE"

The English Enrichment Excursion to honour Year 10 Students' wide reading activities was a great success.

Selected Year 10 students who have read widely and have appreciated Suzanne Collins, The Hunger Games Trilogy, were rewarded with an organised outing on Thursday 21 November to view the second film on its opening day. Seeing a film before the reviews come out is a real treat, especially for those who know the book quite well, so we gathered just before the school day ended and ventured over to Warriewood Cinema and watched the 2½ hour film together. The students were all very well behaved and, as always, fantastic representatives of our school. The film was completely engaging and we were all riveted.

The story was very close to the book and we considered the filming choices made and their results. We were all mesmerised by the beautiful settings and clever composition of the film and its amazing soundtrack. We can't tell you anything more because you might be seeing it yourself, so enjoy the show and don't forget your popcorn!



And may the odds be ever in your favour...

The English Department

ENGLISH—LILY CURTIS YEAR 8

In year 8 English we have been exploring the following question and ideas. Here's one student's critique of the visual literacy text they created.

Key Question: How successful are visual texts in conveying messages and/or ideas to a specific audience?

What are visual techniques?

What effect do they have on an audience?

What messages are conveyed in visual texts?

ALL KIDS ARE WELCOME

A picture book is used for younger kids to learn visually and be entertained. Images using colour, symbols and bold prints are all used in a picture book to convey an interesting story and meaning. Visual text can be a great way to help kids learn about serious messages, for example: bullying, war or acceptance. Instead of telling a child about these issues a more age appropriate and engaging way could be through a picture book.

The visual text I have created "All kids are welcome" is trying to convey the message that all kids should be welcome no matter their appearance, athletic ability or weight. Appearance should not be used to judge or exclude. Acceptance is a key point of the story. The book is trying to convey it can be hurtful to be left out, also, if you're a bully you could end up the one who is left out. Bullying is experienced by many children around the world and my book can help children understand the circumstances of being left out.

I have used a selection of visual techniques to grab kids attention in the book and for them to understand the message. I have used very bold primary colours as the backgrounds to entice younger kids, I have not used one animal twice, the variety is very wide so they won't get bored of the same dog every time, I have made the book interactive with pop out doors. Most of the cute cartoon animals show their emotion with sad faces so kids can relate to the visual text emotionally.

The visual techniques really engage the young children to keep reading and get emotionally involved through this picture book. From reading this book young children will have absorbed this message of acceptance.

The text of this story is very short so it's easy for kids to understand but very catchy and repetitive. Each page rhymes and the tune of it all is very sing along type. The story is successful as it fulfils the brief of having a message to engage a specific audience and it does that. There is a lot of colour which kids enjoy and has animals that have human aspects which kids will find entertaining and also will learn the moral of accepting everyone no matter any of their flaws from these characters. Hopefully kids would understand the message of acceptance if they read this book.

Visual texts are very successful in conveying a message to a specific audience. By using colours, pictures and aptly selected prints they can encourage young children to read and hence learn the specific message or idea.

Lily C—Year 8

STUDENT WELLBEING – MS FLEMING

Throughout the year there have been a number of welfare opportunities for our students with the focus being on developing resilience, communication, self-esteem, decision making skills and positive relationships. Workshops included drug education, safe risk-taking, cyber-safety, developing relationships and the art of being assertive and respectful.

As the holidays approach it is a good reminder to remain safe.

DOWNLOAD THIS FREE APP --- YOUTH SOURCE – NORTHERN SYDNEY REGION

Youthsource.com.au

The Department of Education and Communities and N.S.W Health have partnered to produce Youthsource, a youth-friendly website and app directory for the students, parents and staff of the Northern Sydney Region.

The app will be launched at Pittwater next year for all year groups. It includes contacts for parents and students for help 24 hours a day in all areas of health.

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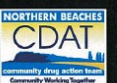
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PITTWATER HIGH SUMMER BIATHLON 2013- PRELIMINARY RESULTS

Another record number of competitors (125) from twelve different schools converged on Narrabeen Lake for the 28th edition of this popular event, comprising a 400m swim and 5km run. The event is open to the greater school communities of the Northern Beaches. Both boys and girls champions of 2012 successfully defended their titles in very competitive fields. Jackson B, 15 years of Mater Maria College, was first across the line in 23:45, defeating teams and adult competitors in doing so - a [herculean](#) effort. Second to finish and first team, also featured Jackson, who completed the swim leg and tagged Nathan W, also of Mater Maria College. Third place was Simon Flood, a PDHPE teacher at Barrenjoey High, fourth place was Tommy M, an ex-student of Pittwater High, while another PDHPE teacher, Matt Harris of Mater Maria College was in fifth place.

Sophia B, 15 years of Stella Maris College, not only defended her title but again beat a host of male and female teams and was 7th individual student overall - an outstanding performance. She had a time of 27:58. First girls team comprised Holly F and Jessica W, both 13 years of Mater Maria College, who were the fourth student team overall, another [phenomenal](#) performance.

First PHS male individual was David E, 16 years while the first female individual was Ella W, 14 years. The first male team was Tyler A and Max S while the first female team was Zara H and Jordyn H. More details to follow.

The race organiser, Mr Dailhou, would like to offer a massive thanks to the many staff and students who supported this event and made it happen.

PITTWATER HIGH SCHOOL MEDIA CENTRE

Our most exciting news in the computer world at Pittwater High, has been the addition of the new touch screen computers, generously donated by the P&C for our Media Centre. As we all know technology is advancing at a fast pace, and computer technology subjects are at the front line of computer education. Students studying any subject that is dependent on this technology are required to keep up to speed with computer software and digital development techniques. Students from across Multimedia, Design and Technology, ICT/IST, Digital Photography, Digital Music Production/compilation and Digital Art, are continuously using industry computer software which is becoming more and more advanced in the working world. To give the students at Pittwater High School the advantage, and experience working in industry related software, our technology needs to be current, with adequate RAM and processors in order to run the advancing software.

With the implementation of our Media Centre, Pittwater High computer students from these subjects will be able to produce high quality complex projects with efficient and reliable equipment.

Thanks to the P&C, the Computer Technology Team, and student volunteers who help set up the Media Centre in week 8. Students can **ASPIRE** for industry quality, **RESPECT** their learning environment, and be **RESPONSIBLE** for the maintenance of this fantastic Media Centre as the years progress.



CAREERS

YEAR 12

Good luck to students with the HSC results and ATARs coming out next week. If you need any advice at this time please don't hesitate to email me at jocelyn.bates@det.nsw.edu.au or call 1300 300 687 or look at the website www.cas.det.nsw.edu.au

YEAR 11 (new Year 12)

There are a few spare copies of this year's UAC, (University Admission Centre) Guides in my office if you would like a copy to browse over the Christmas holidays. All the information in the book about university courses is also available online at www.uac.edu.au

YEAR 10:

Careers lessons are in HSIE classes this term; portfolios should be coming home over the next couple of weeks, students should start adding their school reports and awards/certificates and updating their resumes.

YEARS 10,11 and 12: STUDENTS

Please log onto "My High School Careers" website. PHS subscribes to this website which advertises current careers events.

To log in: use "parent" or "student" then password "mhs2013". You can also register for email alerts! The "Calendar" is great info!

For more general careers information, look at our Careers website by checking out www.careersworks.com, (the password was emailed earlier to students and parents but please email me if you don't have it). I would love some feedback on the above websites; please email me on jocelyn.bates@det.nsw.edu.au



SAILING



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TERM 1—2014 SCHOOL SPORT

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON SAILING APPLICATION FORM

Wednesday afternoon school sailing will commence on Wednesday 5 February 2014 at 12.30 and finish at 3.30 pm, at Royal Prince Alfred Yacht Club using AYF instructors. The program caters for all levels of ability from novice to experienced, sailing on club Hobie Waves and PHS Pacers, for year 8 and above. Seniors are welcome if their timetable allows.

Students will be transported to RPAYC by parent volunteers but need to arrange their own transport home.

The fees will be \$270 (tbc) for the 9 week term **payable by the first week of Term 1, 2014**. Cheques made out to "Pittwater High School", envelope clearly marked with "**SCHOOL SAILING**" and **STUDENT'S NAME and ROLL CALL CLASS** and placed in Red Box in A Block Foyer.

Please fill in the details below along with the RPAYC Consent Form and place, with the cheque, in the Red Box. Info re transport etc will only be forwarded to those who provide email address.

STUDENT'S NAME _____ **ROLL CALL CLASS** _____

PARENTS NAMES _____

and EMAIL _____

HOME PHONE _____ **PARENT MOBILE** _____

WE ARE DEPENDANT ON PARENT TRANSPORT

Please indicate below whether you can assist

Parent able to assist with transport from PHS/RPAYC (circle) **YES** **NO**

Level of sailing ability (circle) **experienced** **intermediate** **beginner**

Leisa Stranack; PHS Sailing Co-Ordinator 0418 619760

Risk Notice

Civil Liability Act 2002

Sailing is a sport that involves interacting with the uncontrollable and difficult to predict elements of nature, and therefore involves a degree of risk. Many of the risks inherent in the sport are intuitive. Without seeking to list all possibilities the following are brought to your attention:

- There is a significant risk of bruises, cuts, scratches and other injuries resulting from contact with the boat or collision with other boats. Flapping sails, or unanticipated changes in wind direction or in the direction of the boat can cause a spar to bump the head or other part of the body or cause a rope flick injury. These injuries can occur both afloat or while near a boat on land.
- When launching or coming ashore, hard surfaces below the high tide line can become slippery, resulting in slip and fall injuries. Oysters and other sharp marine creatures can also grow on these surfaces. Stinging jelly fish or other marine stingers may be present in the water. Sharp objects can be hidden in sand or weed below the water which can cut or pierce feet or other parts of the body. Proximity to the elements makes it more likely for nails or splinters to be raised in wooden decks and floors and these can also cause foot injuries and trip hazards. The wet feet of sailors can make surfaces slippery.
- Because of reflected glare, sunburn will occur more rapidly than normal on unprotected skin. Dehydration or hypothermia can occur in those who do not heed and prepare for the conditions.
- Most injuries are relatively minor. However on occasions the injury can be more significant.
- When sailing dinghies on inshore waters, really serious injuries of the type that can cause permanent disablement or even death are statistically very rare but can and do occur. As with any water sport, the possibility of drowning is also present. While for many sailing activities a patrol boat might be present, the boat cannot be everywhere at once, can not observe every incident that occurs and may not always recognise an observed incident as being a serious one requiring immediate response. First aid or medical assistance is not available.

I have read and understood the above risk warning and I agree that I participate in the sport of sailing at my own risk and I acknowledge that neither The Royal Prince Alfred Yacht Club ("Club") nor any official, volunteer or member shall be under any liability whatsoever for the death or bodily injury, loss or damage which may be suffered or incurred by me or the minors for whom I am responsible. I also acknowledge that neither The Royal Prince Alfred Yacht Club nor any official volunteer or member shall be under any liability for any loss or damage to personal property which may be suffered or incurred by me or the minors for whom I am responsible.

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Signature of Participant

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Signature of responsible parent/guardian of minor

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Full name of Participant

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Full name of adult

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Date

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Date

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- o Always wear footwear while sailing or on the Club premises;
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- o Always check the weather forecast before going sailing. Always follow the directions of your Instructors.
- o Do not run or skylark when around the Club, especially on the car park, marinas and on launching ramps;
- o Beware of flapping sails;
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Participants Details

Name:	Date of Birth:
Gender:	Term 4, 2012 / Term 1, 2013 (circle)
School:	Year:
Previous sailing experience:	
Member of a sailing club? No Yes (if so which):	

Parents / Guardians Details

Name:	Relationship:
Address:	
Home Phone:	Mobile:
Email:	

Medical Information

Does your child have any medical conditions? (If yes, please specify)

If your child is taking any mixture, tablets or any other form of medication at present please specify below.

Medication name	Dosage and times	Reason/Condition

What allergies does your child suffer?

Please note: Medical Information gathered is for information purposes only, and is only used for advising emergency personnel.



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SAILING



MUSIC NEWS TERM 4 WEEK 10

PERFORMANCE 7 MEETING DATES

TERM 4	DAY	TIME/PLACE	BAND
10 December	Tuesday	PHS Hall—Arrive at 6:40pm-7pm All School Presentation Night	Orchestra

Orchestra: Orchestra rehearsals are still on for this and the following Monday.

AMEB Congratulations: Sam S (Yr 7) for passing Grade 4 in piano and Lucas T (Yr 7) for passing Grade 5 in euphonium with a B+.

Yannick B: Has recently acted and performed a song for a TV mini series called "Return to the Devil's Playground" that will be released on Foxtel early next year.

Band Captains: Congratulations to Patricia GH and Yannick B for becoming the 2014 Music Ensemble Captains.

Presentation Night: Congratulations to everyone for making the evening such a success. Many people have said what a fun evening it was, so well done. The list of Award Winners is below and a page of Allison's photographs are attached.

TROPHY	AWARDED FOR	NAME
The Morrison Trophy	For Musical Excellence	Natalie M
The Eunice Harder Trophy	For Commitment and Dedication to Music	Will M
Symphonic Band		
Dr Martin Hardy Award	Best Musician	Georgina GH
Rolf Jacobsen Award	Most Dedicated Musician	Gavin C
Crescendo Award	Most Improved Musician	Tom L
Ensemble Award	Most Needed Musician	Laura M
Maestro Award	Most Influential Musician	Katie S
Concert Band		
The Deborah Meyers Award	Best Musician	Liam D
Encore Award	Most Dedicated Musician	Iggy B
Crescendo Award	Most Improved Musician	Will S
Ensemble Award	Most Needed Musician	Emily W
Maestro Award	Most Influential Musician	Ethan E
Stage Band I (Senior)		
The John Morrison Award	Best Musician	Lachlan H
The Scott Erichsen Award	Most Dedicated Musician	Tim K
Stage Band II (Junior)		
The Mike Majowski Award	Most Dedicated Musician	Emily F
Crescendo Award	Most Improved Musician	Blake W
Strings Ensemble		
Animato Award	Best Musician	Isabella H
The Karen Leimbach Award	Most Dedicated Musician	Amy J
Expressivo Award	Most improved Musician	Dorian M
Senior Strings Ensemble		
	Best Musician	Neesha W
Symphony Orchestra		
No Name	Best Musician	Paul Su
No Name	Most Dedicated	Patricia GH

Congratulations to all the 2013 PHS Band Presentation Night award recipients.



Goodbye and good luck to our wonderful Year 12 musicians and students who are moving on to exciting new musical opportunities, we'll miss you all.
Most importantly, a huge thank you to our talented and dedicated Musical Directors, Dr Hardy, Karen Leimbach, James Hill and John Pennings for sharing your musical passion all year with us.

NATIONAL YOUNG LEADER'S DAY

Last Friday, the Captains and Senior Prefects of Pittwater High 2014 attended the National Young Leader's Day in the Sydney Convention Centre, run by Halogen Australia. We all found it highly beneficial and got a lot out of the day through the variety of inspiring speakers including Markus Zusak (author of 'The Book Thief'), Sarah Wilson (TV presenter, blogger, author), David Morrison (Chief of Army) as well as a panel who discussed current international and domestic affairs at the end of the day.

Markus Zusak spoke first and held the entire room captivated with stories of his upbringing, persistence, successes and failures, which have all led him to his current position. Some of us found him to be the most inspiring speaker, as he was able to talk casually to an auditorium full of students and share personal experiences which provided us with a different view on the qualities that can help to make a good leader.

Sarah Wilson took a different approach and emphasized that reaching your goals is a process of trying many new things and outlined some of the risks she took which didn't satisfy her. However, she said that all the experiences she has had, led her to the position she is in now and contributed to her long term happiness. This was not only beneficial in a leadership sense, but broadened our horizons regarding the options available once we have finished Year 12.

Finally, David Morrison spoke about individuality and morality and the importance of respect in terms of leadership and teamwork, as well as giving us insight into the role his father played in his life and how he was able to positively influence him through encouraging lessons to be learnt through mistakes. Personally I found that he had a noticeably different take on the process of improving your qualities to become a better leader and I found this was an advantage as it gave us a different perspective.

Halogen Australia was also encouraging participation in a program they have initiated called 10,000 Ideas. This involved coming up with an idea or raising an issue which you feel is relevant in aspects of our society. Once an idea was formed we were given the opportunity to film ourselves saying it and go in a draw to have our idea included in a promotional video they were producing.

Above all else, we found that National Young Leader's Day was inspirational. From listening to the stories of people who never stopped persisting, were constantly ambitious and wouldn't accept anything less than what truly satisfied them, we were encouraged to do the same and saw that results are achievable through hard work. Translating this into a school environment, we realized that as leaders we can leave a mark on the school by using our positive influence to benefit the school. It was a huge privilege to be able to attend National Young Leader's Day and we would like to thank Mrs Ferguson for organising it for us.



PITTWATER HIGH SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP ORDER FORM

DATE _____ Order Taken By (Internal Use): _____

STUDENT'S NAME _____ ROLL CALL: _____

CONTACT PHONE NO's (Home): _____ (Parent Mobile) _____

	Item	Sizes	Price	Order Details		
				Size	Qty	Total Price
GIRLS	Junior Tartan Tunic – Summer	6-22	69			
	Junior Tartan Skirt – Summer	6-22	40			
	Junior Tartan Skirt –all year round	4-18	60			
	Junior Blue Short-Sleeved, Pintucked Blouse	10-22	27			
	Junior & Senior Long Black Pants – Winter	4-16	20			
	Senior White Short-Sleeved Blouse with Maroon Piping, PHS Embroidered	8-22	30			
	Senior Grey, Front Pleated Skirt – Summer and Winter	8-22	60			
BOYS*	Junior Maroon Polo Shirts with PHS Emblem	10-26	30			
	Junior & Senior Grey Surf Style Shorts	XXS-5XL	39			
	Junior Midford Grey Elastic Waist Shorts	12-18	25			
	Senior White Collar Short-Sleeved Button Shirt	16-26	30			
	Senior Maroon School Tie with PHS Embroidery	16-26	22			
UNISEX	Maroon Fleecy Zippered (Hoodie) with PHS Embroidery	XXS-XXL	50			
	Junior Maroon Sweatshirt (Sloppy Joe)PHS Embroidery	12-22	29			
	Junior Grey Woollen "V" Neck Jumper	10-18	70			
	Senior Maroon Woollen "V" Neck Jumper with PHS Emblem	10-24	75			
	Senior Maroon School Blazer with PHS Emblem	14-24	110			
SPORTS UNIFORM UNISEX	Maroon Microfibre Shorts PHS Logo	XS-XXL	35			
	Maroon Knit Short PHS Logo	12-16	25			
	White Polo Shirt with PHS Emblem	10-24	30			
	Navy Microfibre Tracksuit Pants	12-XL	45			
	Navy Microfibre Tracksuit Zip Up Top with PHS Emblem	12-XL	45			
	PHS Maroon Rugby Shorts	XS-XL	25			
	Maroon and White Long Rugby Socks		10			
OTHER	Scientific Calculators		33			
	Portable USB 2GB		4			
	Black Winter Stockings – Girls	S,M,L	9			
	Year 7 book pack (inc. scientific calculator)		75			
	Year 8 book pack		50			
TOTAL AMOUNT TO PAY						

NAME OF CARDHOLDER: _____ (exactly as shown on card)

Card No: _____/_____/_____

Expiry: ____/____/____ CCV No: _____ Total Amount \$ _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please CIRCLE method of payment **CASH** **CHEQUE** **EFTPOS** Credit Card – **MASTERCARD** / **VISA**

- EFTPOS facilities available - 1% surcharge on credit card purchases
- Cheques are to be made payable to "Pittwater High School Uniform Shop" and have a 5 day clearance hold on items purchased.
- All orders must be accompanied with payment and put in an envelope, clearly marked "Uniform Order", and placed in the Red Box in A Block or given to a supervisor in the canteen. Collect uniforms during opening times.
- A selection of second hand uniforms are available for purchase at reduced prices
- The Uniform Shop is open every Tuesday and Thursday from 8.15am to 11.15am, and located at the far end of the Canteen – enquiries 9979 6968 or contact the Uniform Shop manager Kim Gobbe.

Pittwater
PENINSULAR
 NETBALL CLUB Inc.

REGISTRATION 2014

FRIDAY 31st JANUARY
 Kitchener Park,
 Pittwater Rd Mona Vale.
 3.30pm-5.30pm

SATURDAY 1st FEBRUARY
 Recreation Centre
 Old Barrenjoey Rd Avalon
 9am-12noon

*Intending players must
 be turning 7 years or
 over in 2014.*

*All new NetSetGo and Junior Players are required
 to present a copy of their Birth Certificate
 Junior-U/17-Senior Players require a passport size photo.*


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 2 George Street, Avalon

Info: Kath Moody - 9918 2502 or kath_moody@hotmail.com - looselywoven.org

PITTWATER RSL FOOTBALL CLUB

If you or your children are interested in playing football (soccer) for the 'Pride of the Peninsula, please visit our website at the end of December for information on Registrations and our 'Open Day.

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