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Tuesday 19 November 2019

EXCELLING at PITTWATER HIGH

Jane Ferris: Principal's Report

Pittwater High School's NAPLAN results continue to grow, with 2019's value added data showing the school at 'excelling' level in the growth of scores across Literacy and Numeracy between Years 7 and 9. This improvement reflects the significant amount of work being done by teachers to build the reading, writing and numeracy skills of all our students. Also it is reflection of our students taking responsibility by developing their learning plans and putting in increased effort. Both students and teachers to be are congratulated.

In Maths a clear structure of assessment including homework as well as selected resources including Maths Online, has supported all students in their growth in numeracy. The maths program Quick Smart, led by Mrs Rous, has been instrumental in developing numeracy strategies for targeted students who find numeracy more difficult. High potential maths students set the bar high with their achievements in maths competitions.

In English, there has also been the introduction of an online program with the explicit teaching of writing skills at word and sentence level. Students are challenged to extend their writing capabilities using 'super charged' sentences where the emphasis is on the power of the verb.

STOP PRESS! News received today.
Science Year 10 VALID test results just in.
Way above state average and similar profile schools.

Also there is the promotion of reading and writing for pleasure through clubs, competitions and events.

Pittwater's **Aiming High** initiative has seen students excelling as they access this additional challenge beyond the classroom, with 26 students signing up to develop an answer to a big question for investigation this year. See the full report later in the newsletter. The level of deep thinking and extraordinary projects were excellent. Congratulations to all these students and the coordinators Mr Morton-Ramwell and Ms Payne.



Finally, the major works of a number of our HSC students have been **nominated for exhibition** in the various TAS categories, as well as Visual Arts students **selected for exhibition** at Manly Art gallery. Also there have been additional HSC students granted early entry to university prior to their HSC results coming out. We are proud of all of our HSC students.

DEPUTY PRINCIPALS' REPORT

Rachel Fleming, Sharon Behringer, Martin Hardy, Carol Roulston

PCS Emotional Health Survey

Thank you to all students who participated in this valuable survey. There were a number of issues identified by our students and individuals' parents will be notified over the next week if there are areas where your child needs support. The Wellbeing Team will be using this data to develop programs across the school that cater to our students' needs.

Year 12 Goal Setting Interviews

Year 12 will be emailed today a link to their Education Plan. We are asking that they complete these plans by the start of next week with discussion at home. All Year 12 students will have goal setting interviews next Thursday 28 November. These interviews will be with a member of staff or Head Teacher and aim to see how students are performing and the support that can be put in place to assist them.

PROCEDURES FOR STUDENTS LEAVING SCHOOL SICK

It is important that students who are needing to go home sick follow the correct procedures. We have made this request several times recently and thank those who are doing the right thing, but there are still significant numbers who are not.

Students who become unwell at school **MUST** go to Sick Bay to be signed out of school by the Student Services' Receptionist.

If a student is unwell in class, they must ask their teacher for permission to attend Sick Bay. The teacher will issue a green note which they hand in to the Student Services' Receptionist. She will contact parents to arrange student collection from school.

Students must NOT contact their parents directly

It has come to our attention that some parents are still making arrangements directly with their children for them to leave school. Parents will be contacted by Student Services if their child is sick and the appropriate Deputy Principal has approved that they need to leave school.

Parents giving permission over the phone to their child means that we are unaware that they are off the premises, which has serious repercussions for staff who may be challenged with looking for them during emergency evacuation. If an issue occurs outside school there can also be repercussions for the student if they are still signed in.

The uniform shop will be opening on the 23rd January 2020 from 9am till 11am.

YEAR 7 VISUAL ARTS

This semester, in Visual Arts, Year 7 have been looking at Surrealism and Perspective.

In Term Three, we designed our own clay vessel, based on the concept of 'under the sea and ocean creatures'. We had the chance to create our design using BRT clay.

In Term Four, we have been looking at perspective artists such as Howard Arkley and Vincent Van Gogh, in preparation for painting a room in our house using the perspective skills we have learned throughout the term.

Below are some artworks we have created. You can also find more of our work on our online art gallery at https://sites.google.com/education.nsw.gov.au/mrsreynolds2019/ home.

By Jessica Ferguson Visual Arts 7.7













YEAR 9 CERAMICS

This year in our Year 9 ceramics class, we have been learning about different techniques and ways of creating ceramic pieces, including slab building as well as pinch pots and coil pots.

In our theory lessons, we have researched many professional ceramicists such as Simone Fraser, Merron Esson and the Bauhaus Art School which is a school of arts in Germany which focuses on special ceramic techniques.

Towards the end of Year 9, we have been focusing on the pottery wheel, and perfecting our techniques to create beautiful bowls, cups, trinket trays and more. This elective helps you not only create wonderful pieces but understand how other artists think, see the world and use different techniques. We also have a lot of fun and cannot wait to continue on with this subject in Year 10!

By Jasmine Clarke and Alyssa Turner

You can view more of our artworks at our Year 9 Ceramics online gallery. https://sites.google.com/education.nsw.gov.au/9ceramics2019/home















EXPRESS YOURSELF MANLY ART EXHIBITION

Six Visual Arts students selected from Class of 2019 For Express Yourself Manly Art Gallery Exhibition.

Congratulations to six of our HSC 2019 Visual Arts students who have had their Visual Arts major works selected for the Express Yourself Exhibition at Manly Art Gallery and Museum. The students selected are Georgia White for her sixteen panelled mixed media work Hephaestus; Victoria Brack for her collection of drawings and ceramic pieces Metropolis; Guy Burlinson for his film Lazarus Rising; Stella Rae Smith for her collection of textile pieces Venus: Hand-Crafted; Lily Rowe for her Collection of painted and arranged petals, Eye of the Beholder and Alice Meucci for her collection of wire and drawing pieces Calligraphy of the Figure.

These students spent a year developing their conceptual and material practices and this is reflected in the very high quality of their works. The exhibition will open in late February and will be on display to the public for a month.



Still from Lazarus Rising – Guy Burlinson



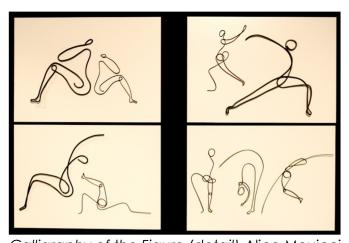
The Eye of the Beholder - Lily Rowe



Hephaestus - Georgia White



Metropolis- Victoria Brack



Calligraphy of the Figure (detail)-Alice Meuicci



Venus:Hand-Crafted-Stella Rae Smith





DANCE DRAMA NIGHT



The CAPA Faculty would like to congratulate all students who performed at Dance Drama Night on Tuesday 15th October in the PHS Performance Space. It was wonderful to see so many talented dancers alongside the Drama students, including:

Max Shaw (Year 11), Zach Keddie & Rosaria Pangallo (Year 8), Kate Scriven & Sasha Stanning (Year 9), Anaya Summer (Year 11), Tessa Mortensen (Year 9), Tara Johnson & Chiara Hochstadt (Year 9), Abbey Hamilton & Andie Hayes (Year 8), Charlie Hope-Parsons (Year 9), Amy Davies, Polly Phelps, Riley Roper & Jacob Wilson (Year 8), Tiana Knezevic (Year 9), Julia Hardy (Year 11), Aaron Cohen & Reilly Fitzgerald (Year 8), Amy Davies (Year 8), Year 8 Elective Dance & Sebastien Wellings (Year 9).

The night could not have been such a success without involvement from Miss Fabbro (PHS Dance Teacher), Leon Loreaux (who provided a display of Year 9 Visual Art works), Tessa Mortensen (Lights and Sound) and the incredibly engaging MC - Max 'Pozzo' Shaw.







MUSICALE 2019

On the evening of 12 November, the music students of Pittwater High School dazzled an audience with their talent. The Year 7 Performance class opened the show with their wonderful performance of "Superheros Are Us" with other performances from the Senior Strings, Big Band, Year 10 elective music, Year 12 senior music plus many individual items featuring Maddie Stead, Lillian Heather, James Abadi, Georgie Lyons, Elisheba Femia, Dylan Catterall, Jeremy Sala, Jasper Patterson, Max Butera, Max Hopf, Tyger Cox and Sebastian Whiffen.

Run by the CAPA prefects and with expert compering by Max Shaw and Rowan Mitchell, this event was the music highlight of the year and enjoyed by all.



NSW CHS BLUES AWARD - SWIMMING



Kai Van Kool – NSW CHS Blues Award – Swimming

4.30am starts, hunderds of kilometres; training upwards of 7 sessions, 14+ hours a week, week on week, year on year! Kai Van Kool of Year 12 has had a very successful year in the pool, both in and out of school.

Kai represented NSW CHS at the NSW All Schools carnival and achieved fantastic results which saw him selected to represent NSW ALL Schools at the National Swimming Championships. Kai came away with four gold medals, a bronze medal and three personal best times.

To cap this off, Kai represented Manly and NSW at the 2019 National Age Championships in Adelaide and came away with some fantastic results and more personal best times which lead him to be selected for the NSW State Team to compete at the National Teams Championships at the AIS. He has also been selected on the NSW Silver Squad for training and development for 2019/2020 in the lead up to the Olympic trials in Adelaide June 2020.





To recognise his amazing achievements, Kai has been awarded the highest honour in NSW CHS sport and that is a CHS Blues award.

We congratulate Kai on his achievements and wish him luck for the future.

AIMING HIGH CHALLENGE 2019

In Week 5, the second Aiming High Challenge came to its conclusion. This was the second year of an initiative aimed at extending and challenging students of all abilities including high potential students.

A total of 26 students worked individually and in groups for one and a half terms on an interest based research project.

Mr Morton-Ramwell and Ms Payne facilitated an idea generating session using student made stimulus documents based on the following big question ("What will the world look like in 100 years' time?).

Students developed their own big question based on topics of their own interest then performed independent research in order to answer their big question. Throughout the last two terms, regular teacher/student meetings were held to provide support, research skills and advice on presentation.

Some of the "Big Questions" posed by the students included:

- Is Utopia attainable?
- How are we going to colonise Mars?
- Does prison act as rehabilitation?
- How has fashion evolved over time?
- Why should we invest in sustainable surfing?
- How does art influenced society?
- How can technology assist people with diabetes?

Students produced posters, videos, timelines, surveys, quizzes, pamphlets, written works, art works, working models, 3D printed technology (including a blood glucose level monitoring device) and presentations to present their findings. They presented their research findings to executive staff, parents, teachers and fellow students in an open Science Fair style event. Staff and parents were blown away by the diversity of the projects, the quality of the presentations and the motivation of students to complete the challenge.

Well done to all the students listed below for completing the challenge, we hope to see you again next year.

#	Student Name	Year
1	Amelia Boss	7
2	Selena Gendic	7
3	Ashnah Brophey	7
4	Isaac Bristow	7
5	Harrison Claremont	7
6	Jacob Gereaux	7
7	Jack Leago	7
8	Jake Clarke	7
9	Luisa Marinho	7
10	Gabriel Fenwick-Kearns	7
11	Brendan Stewart	7
12	Jessica Ferguson	7
13	Angelika Ambas-Scutts	7

14	Matilda Stoyle	8
15	Linus Wang	8
16	Archie Gordon	9
17	Mollie Hailstone	9
18	Kaitlyn Stephen	9
19	Benjamin Harris	9
20	Charlie Hope-Parsons	9
21	Ema Maguire	9
22	Thomas Shanahan	9
23	Connor Steven	9
24	Sebastian Wellings	9
25	Hollie Cordukes	9
26	Cameron Youell	10

AIMING HIGH CHALLENGE CONTINUED











COMMUNITY ACCESS TO COASTAL ENVIRONMENTAL CENTRE

Following on from their most recent unit of work in Science, students from Cabrananga visited the Northern Beaches Coastal Environmental Centre to further their knowledge in living things and marine biology. They learned about the effects of plastic in the environment and ways they can help to protect native wildlife, got up close to the sea sponges and sea creatures under the digital microscope and patted many of the display native animals. The students thoroughly enjoyed the afternoon learning about different marine animals and participating in the mini environmental lessons.

Thank you to the Coastal Environmental Centre for having us.





MEET THE KEEPER AT TARONGA ZOO

Five Year 10 students went to Taronga Zoo on Thursday 31 October to participate in a Meet the Keeper information day. Throughout the day, the students listened to various zoo keepers about the different paths they took to secure a career in Zoo Keeping. They also heard from Human Resources about other jobs within Taronga Zoo that are based around animal conservation and wellbeing. Students learned about different educational pathways into animal based careers both through vocational learning and university based learning. The students spent a large portion of the day in marine section where they spent time watching and learning how to interact with a range of animals.





TAS CELEBRATES STUDENT'S ACHIEVEMENTS!

Yet again we are pleased to announce that several Year 12 students' Major Projects have been nominated for possible inclusion in HSC exhibitions. **Shape 2019** is the annual exhibition of a selection of exemplary Major Projects in HSC Design and Technology and Industrial Technology that is displayed at the Museum of Applied Arts and Sciences (MAAS). **IndTech 2019** is the annual exhibition of outstanding Major Projects specifically for HSC Industrial Technology students of several focus areas.

This is a most amazing result from some very deserving students who were passionate, hardworking and consistent in their approach. The students are to be congratulated on achieving such success. The skills they have gained will most surely transfer into their tertiary studies and working life. Such results also reflect that the students are very well supported by their parents, teachers and the TAS faculty. Well done!

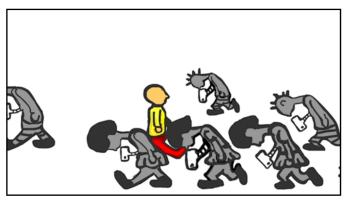
The 6 students nominated will find out later in the year if they are selected to actually be on display. The criteria depends on space, and the range and style of projects required.

- Shape nomination for Design and Technology; Nathan Weiss Innovative bike lock.
- Shape and IndTech nomination for Timber; Finn Lindley Chessboard table
- Shape and IndTech nomination for Timber; Joshua Cranston Yin Yang Coffee table.
- Shape and IndTech nomination for Multimedia; Guy Burlinson "No Church in the Wild" Music video.
- Shape and IndTech nomination for Multimedia; Megan Edwards "Stayin Alive" 2D Animation.
- Shape and IndTech nomination for Multimedia; Samantha Pace "Sam Pace Photography" Photographic website.

Please click on the link to view the Multimedia projects. Meg https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ifR6vcQZFys Sam https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KNR7FbVa_cl

Megan (2D Animation)

Guy (Music video)

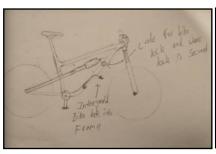




Samantha (Students own photographs published on her own coded website)



Nathan (Bike lock – design development, testing and prototype)

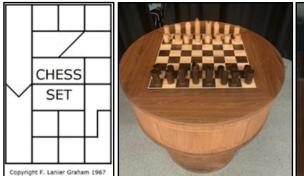






Finn – Custom-designed chess board table predominantly made from Tasmanian Oak, Roasted Black Butt and Red Ironbark.

"My inspiration for the chess pieces came from this chess set as seen in the image. The Lanier Graham Chess Set was developed in 1966 by none other than Lanier Graham. This was masterfully designed to be easy to store, act like a puzzle and signify the roles of the pieces."







Joshua – Custom-designed Coffee table made from recycled Blackbutt and Redwood with an inlaid Yin Yang pattern.

"The table top will be inlaid (a decorative or ornamental pattern laid flush into the surface), with a Yin Yang design using a redwood timber to highlight the image. This will be outsourced using a Computer Numerically Controlled (CNC) machine to guarantee accuracy when routing out the circles, and provide the ability to gain experience in designing, programming and operating a piece of automated machinery commonly used in today's furniture manufacturing."

On behalf of the TAS faulty, Ms Samojlowicz (HT TAS).









Is your child interested in a Traineeship after school?

This is an event that may interest you and your child:

FREE TRAINEESHIPS & Open Night

WHEN: 20 November!

TIME: 5.30pm to 6.30pm or 6.30pm to 7.30pm WHERE: Level 1, 14 William Street, Brookvale.

For employers, there has never been a better time to employ a trainee. Good news for those wanting to be a trainee!

From 1 January 2020 new entrant traineeships will be fee free (this training is subsidised by the NSW Government). If you would like to learn more about fee free traineeships due to the employer incentives, please join us at the NBMC next Course Information Night.

To learn more about traineeships click here - https://nbmc.nsw.edu.au/traineeships
To secure your place please book online here - https://nbmc.nsw.edu.au/course/Open_Night.

HAVE QUESTIONS? <u>COME ALONG ON Wed 20 November</u> to Brookvale to have your questions answered.

On the night you will have the opportunity to speak with NBMC trainers as well as Sarah Taylor from Apprenticeship Support to discuss traineeships for your workplace. We look forward to seeing you there.

Northern Beaches and Mosman Community College

J. Bates, (PHS Careers Adviser)

STEM FASTTRACK INDUSTRY AND FAMILY NETWORKING EVENT

A PROGRAM BY STEM FASTTRACK

"To inspire the next generation of STEM students, leaders and educators, for the development and continued prosperity of our Country, demands strong collaboration between industry, education and government."

- Inspiring Australia's Next Generation Final Report

STEM FastTrack challenges the norm through our Industry & Family Networking Events. During the Industry & Family Networking event attendees will:

- Learn about the current STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) Industries
- Meet people who love what they do and want to share with you, information about their industry
- Find out firsthand what future jobs there will be
- Understand how to get the jobs (i.e. the pathways)
- Understand the skills and experience students will need.

AGENDA

The typical Industry & Family Networking Event runs as follows:

5.30pm

Registration & light refreshments

6.00pm

Welcome & housekeeping STEM Fast Track Video Introduction to STEM panellists Questions for panellists Questions from the audience

7.00pm

Networking & light refreshments

7.30pm

Event close



KEY DETAILS

- TIME: 5.30 pm 7.30 pm
- DATE:Wednesday 27th November 2019.
- VENUE: AWS Head office, 2 Park St Sydney NSW 2000

VENUE

TO REGISTER TO ATTEND PLEASE CLICK HERE https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/76177497947

The Industry & Family Networking events'

Industry Partners examples are:

- Amazon
- AIA
- BAE Systems
- NBN
- SYPAQ

For more information or to book an event, please contact Teresa on M: 0402 157 787



CANTEENNEWS

ROSTER

Monday 25 Nov Tanti, Richard Touw, Natty

Tuesday 26 Nov Emma Haynes, Sandy Cozens

Wednesday 27 Nov Irina & Bindi

Thursday 28 Nov Suzanne Humphreys

Friday 29 Nov Sharon Grainger, Sarah Attfield, Louise England

Monday 2 Dec Need volunteers

Tuesday 3 Dec Alison Brown, Severine

Wednesday 4 Dec Need volunteers

Thursday 5 Dec Sabrina Gereaux, need volunteers

Friday 6 Dec Jen Masters (AM), Caroline Thomas

Monday 9 Dec Need volunteers

Tuesday 10 Dec Hannah, Anggi

Wednesday 11 Dec Kerri Paul, Shauna Pettit

Thursday 12 Dec Suzanne Humphreys, Sarah Jones,

Friday 13 Dec Meredith Julliard, Emma Haynes, Therese Creed

Volunteers - Please contact the canteen on 9979 6968 or email phscanteen@gmail.com if you are unable to make it.

It's never too late to volunteer. We welcome extra help so we can serve the students faster and make more food!

Orders: We would like to encourage the students to order their lunch to reduce queue times. Check out the specials board for what is on each day.

We would also like to encourage the students to order the pasta or rice dishes and we will have them heated and ready to go. This will prevent the hold ups & delays at the microwave. They can order at Lunch 1 for Lunch 2.

And of course there is **Flexi schools** available online



Wheeler Heights Public School

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Parents and Citizens Association



Wheeler Heights Public School is based on Sydney's Northern Beaches and has a cohort of around 490 students from Kindergarten to Year 6.

We are seeking a casual Canteen Supervisor to work approximately 18 hours per week during term time as part of a job share arrangement.

The school canteen is managed by our committed P&C Association and is open 5 days per week with all proceeds benefiting the school and students directly.

The Canteen Supervisor is responsible for the management and day-today operation of the school canteen according to the policies and procedures of Wheeler Heights Public School P&C Association.

- Key responsibilities include:
 Planning, organising, and monitoring the operations of the canteen and staff, including the rostering of voluntary workers, daily record-keeping, opening and closing the canteen and the preparation of food and cooking for service;
- · Provision of exceptional customer service to students, parents. teachers and visitors to the school;
- Menu planning;
- · Stock ordering and monitoring;
- Invoice processing and cash handling/reconciliation; · Adherence to food handling and
- hygiene regulations as well as WH&S legislation; · Working within the school and P&C
- environmental and sustainability guidelines;
- . Mentoring and leadership of paid and volunteer workers · Promotion and marketing of the
- canteen; and

· Assisting the school and P&C with special events

This role will suit someone with the following skills and background

- · Previous experience running a canteen or similar will be highly regarded;
- A passion for sustainability and the provision of healthy food;
- Familiarity with the NSW Healthy Food Guidelines for Schools;
- · Loves to work in a fast paced and customer focused environment; and
- Proven leadership experience with the ability to work with a diverse range of people.

If you are looking for a flexible role where you can add real value to our school, please send your CV and a covering letter that clearly outlines your relevant skills and experience to secretary@whps-pandc.org by Friday 29th November 2019

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Help learner-drivers become safer drivers

Thursday 21 November, 6.30 - 8.30pm

Increase your confidence and knowledge to supervise learner-drivers. A practical workshop on completing log books, the benefits and safety of supervised driving and the conditions for Learner and Provisional Licences.

Civic Centre, Dee Why

Bookings essential on 9942 2447 or

roadsafety@northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au northernbeaches.nsw.gov.au



