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Tuesday 1 December 2020. Week 8B

## ENDING THE YEAR ON A POSITIVE NOTE!

### Jane Ferris. Principal's Report

What a year it has been – with many events that bring joy, fun, recognition and celebration being significantly modified or cancelled. But despite this, as a school we have demonstrated flexibility and a determination to still deliver in so many ways.

**RAISE Mentoring:** The Raise Foundation is a registered Australian charity which contributes to the health and wellbeing of young people in our community. Their concept is that it 'takes a village to raise a child' - and through mentoring we can empower young people to become resilient, capable and connected. Many of the meetings between student and volunteer mentors, across two terms, were done online. Despite this, at the students' recent graduation, they all spoke of their connection to their mentor and indicated how they had grown as a result.



**Year 12 Graduation and Formal:** Although delayed and with restrictions, what a wonderful event this was. Parents sat socially distanced throughout the graduation and were not permitted to gather in clusters, but this did not spoil the wonder of the evening.

Although school will have broken up by this time, we are inviting the class of 2020 to morning tea on Friday 18 December to celebrate their HSC results that will come out that day.

**Presentation Day Assemblies:** These are being held this coming Monday, 7 December, with two year groups paired together at a time. With these lower numbers,



we are able to welcome parents and invitations have already been sent out. Congratulations to all the award recipients - it always gives me such joy to see students succeed and achieve their personal best.

**Instrumental Music Program Awards:** Sadly, restrictions did not permit parents to attend last night, but the students performed magnificently and were a respectful audience to when not performing. Congratulations to you all.

**Orientation Morning today:** Welcome to all our new students for 2021. Although parents again could not attend, a pre-recorded video of key speeches has been emailed home. The students were well behaved and enjoyed their school tours with the Peer Support leaders. Further easing of restrictions announced today may enable us to meet with parents at a welcome assembly on day one next year. If this is able to go ahead we will email you details.

**Zoom meetings on school priorities:** There was a huge response from the survey sent out a couple of weeks ago with over 200 parents indicating they would like to attend a Zoom meeting to find out more about the school priority areas in the new school strategic plan and ask any questions. Invitations to these meetings are being emailed out today to parents who flagged an interest. The nine Zoom meetings will take place during next week.

# DEPUTY PRINCIPALS' REPORT

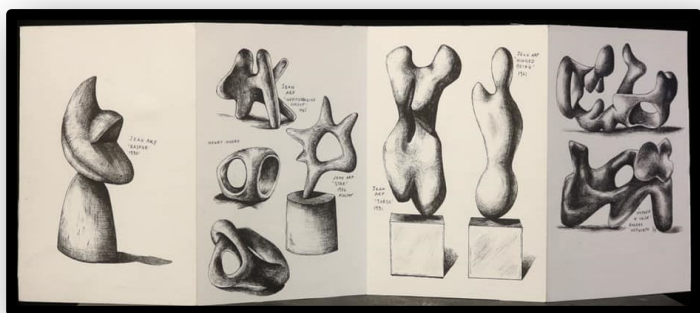
Ms Fleming, Mr Blaker, Ms Behringer

## Year 12 Graduation and Formal

On Tuesday 24 November we were fortunate to be able to celebrate and farewell our class of 2020 with a graduation and formal. With COVID restrictions in place all students could bring two family members. I would like to thank all our Year 12's and their families for adhering to the restrictions that we had to put in place in order for the event to go ahead. It was wonderful to see our year 12's dressed up and celebrating their success in finishing the HSC in an eventful year. They will have many stories to tell about their final year of schooling during a global pandemic. The formal, at Manly's Novotel, enabled the staff, students and families to enjoy a fun night of fine food and lots of dancing. Thanks to Ms Zaraza for guiding our students as Year Adviser and Ms Cosentino for assisting and organising the formal. It was a terrific night with a number of fond memories created for all.

## Year 12 Vaughan – Art Express

Congratulations to Vaughan Huck who has had her Art major work selected for exhibiting in Art Express. An outstanding piece of work that deserves this high accolade. Well done Vaughan!



## Year 10 2021 – Senior Uniform

A reminder that next year all Year 10 students will be required to move to senior uniform. Over the next two weeks please prepare for the transition and access the uniform shop or order online.

## Bayview Golf Club

The school has recently received complaints from Bayview Golf Club in relation to the behaviour and conduct of our students on their way to and from school. The General Manager has set a very clear expectation that if this behaviour does not improve, she may completely stop students crossing the golf course all together.

Students are only able to cross the golf course via the concrete pathway which separates the 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> holes. Students must walk along this pathway and also be mindful of golfers as they do so. No student is to ride their bike on the golf course at any time. Students are expected to walk their bikes across this path before exiting the golf course.

Could the students impacted by this please adhere to these guidelines.

## Avalon Youth Hub Podcast – MAKING SENSE OF ADOLESCENCE.

We highly recommend this podcast. The podcast is a 10 part series on young peoples' views of certain situations and topics. The first episode is "Coming out of COVID". Episodes to follow are based on the topics, Anxiety, Bullying, Men's Mental Health, Body Image and Social Media Safety. The podcast will also feature some special guests such as - Gus Worland, Cooper Chapman and Alex Hayes as well as Surf film producer Spencer Frost. <https://www.avalonyouthhub.org.au/avalon-youth-hub-podcast/>

## Year 10 End of Year Examinations:

A reminder that all students in Year 10 will be sitting their End of Year Examinations on Wednesday 2 December and Thursday 3 December. The examinations will be held in the school hall. Students have received a hard copy as well as an email copy of their exam timetable along with all relevant information. We wish you all the best of luck. over the next few days.







# ALL STUDENTS – IMPORTANT NOTICE!!

## PLEASE RETURN ANY OVERDUE LOANS

(English Textbooks, Library Books or device chargers)

## FROM



before the final day of school  
(December 16<sup>th</sup> 2020).

All students were directly emailed about any  
overdue loans they have on 30<sup>th</sup> November 2020.

If you still have any overdue items in 2021

**YOU WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO BORROW**  
**ANY ITEMS**

until all overdue items have been returned  
(or paid for if lost).

“I returned it to my teacher” will not be accepted as an excuse.

Thanks from the Learning Centre team!

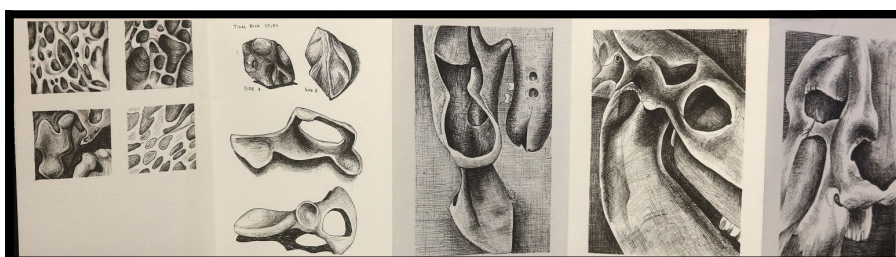
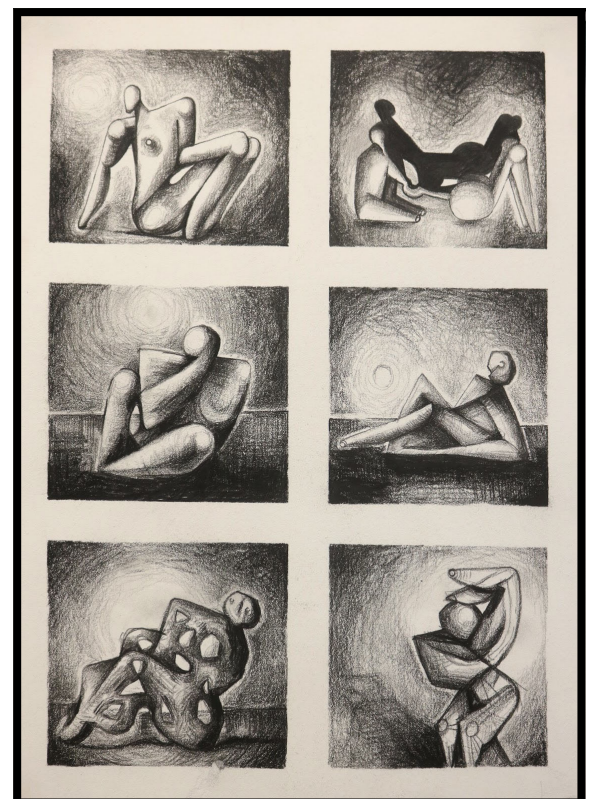
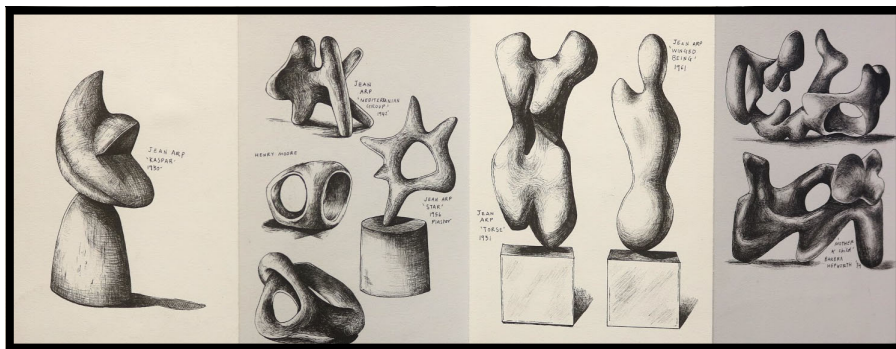
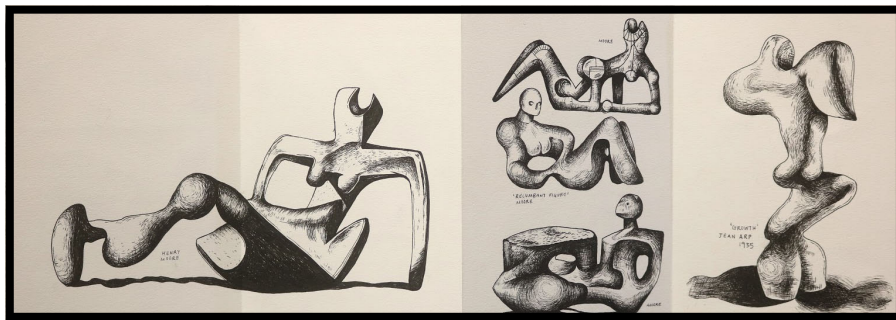


# VISUAL ART

Some exciting news from Visual Arts. Vaughan Huck of Year 12 2020 has created a body of work titled, "Reclining Figure and Studies" which has been accepted into ArtExpress 2021. She carved a central, serpentine stone sculpture as a centrepiece alongside sensitive, delicate ink drawings and studies which complement and deepen her ideas.

Conceptually, the body of work centres around abstract representations of the human figure that strongly reference artists such as Henry Moore and Jean Arp. Vaughan faced many challenges during online learning which prevented the continuation of her art-making, though she managed to overcome these, finding solutions at every step.

The results of her extraordinary efforts and talent will be showcased at the Sydney Olympic Park Armory next year.





# VISUAL ART

During Term 3, Year 9 Visual Arts created a still life painting task which expressed the idea of excitement and celebration.

Students composed and photographed party food using digital SLR cameras. They then selected the best images and began their paintings.

Students focused on reproducing accurate colours and making the pieces feel bright, luminous and vivid. The attention to detail is impressive and every student produced work they can be proud of.



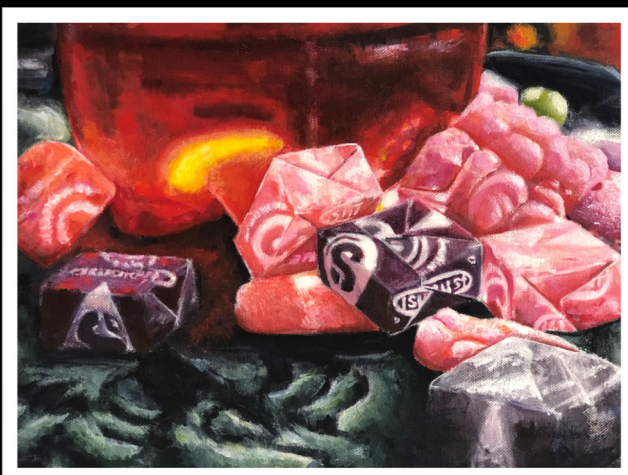
Bianca Shepherd



Lauren Wright



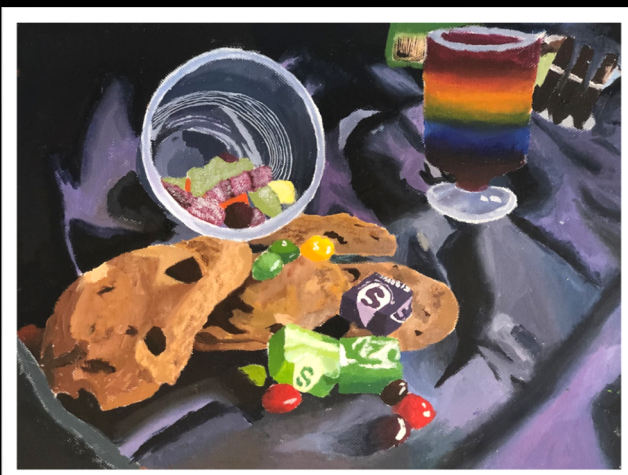
Clara Kenny



Linus Wang



Jocelyn Carter



Alice Roberts



# VISUAL ART

Students in Year 10 Visual Arts have completed a printmaking unit of work which engages with the idea of disasters whether natural or man made. Students chose an issue that affects the world negatively which they passionately feel is important and created both an intaglio (etching) and a relief print (lino) depicting images that communicate crucial concepts around their chosen disastrous event. Etching lends itself to a high level of detail and so the visual density and complexity of these were very high. Lino prints often have large areas of pure positive and negative space and so singular images that exemplify the issue was most common.

Common themes were environmental disasters, disasters of war, which also included the plight of refugees, and racial violence. Students showed a high level of sensitivity when depicting these disasters both in their choice of images as well as their material and technical decisions.



Tom Shanahan



Ella Pittard



Tara Johnson



Abby O'Reilly



Ella Pittard



April Wiles



Kelly Hansen



Lara Schoneveld



Bianca Raffin



Kyle White

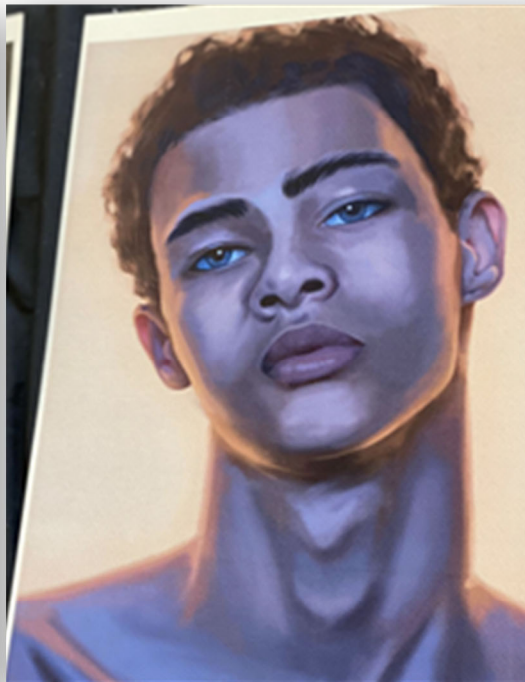


# ART CLUB

During Art Club this semester, students created a series of works based on a concept of their choice. They learnt various skills through experimenting with a variety of art materials and worked hard every Friday, during both lunch breaks, to design and create a body of work. It was lovely to see students collaborate together and enjoy the art making process. On Friday 27 November, students prepared for the annual Art Club exhibition where they presented their artworks for teachers and students to view. A big thank you to Ms Ferris, Ms Allan and Mr Morton-Ramwell for judging and congratulations to the three prize winners who were

Linus Wang (Yr9), Anna Rebbeck (Yr7) and Emily Symonds (Yr7). Thank you to every student who participated in Art Club. I am very proud of your enthusiasm and effort over the semester.

**Mrs Reynolds**





This week is the final week of PCYC for the dedicated Year 10 students who have got up early every Tuesday morning for the year. They have participated in a program that readies them for transitioning to the workforce or senior school. I would like to thank the parents for bringing them down to the front of school at 7am every Tuesday. It has been a pleasure to get to know each and every student and give them guidance on career pathways. The program will be running for students in the 2021 Year 10 cohort.

**Mrs Roulston**



## links to learning

The Year 10 Links to Learning Course graduated on Monday 30 November after a two term program every Monday in the Common Learning Space. Due to COVID the students were unable to attend the Ingleside Centre except for one session. The students have completed interview techniques, what to wear to an interview, how to conduct themselves with the opposite gender and a variety of programs that engaged their learning when transitioning to the workforce. A huge thanks to Ms Roulston and Lynda Roberge for the organisation of the program as so many programs were not able to be run during these trying COVID times.







# THE CANTEEN

The canteen is making a big change next year.

The service lines are changing around to meet the demand for Flexischools versus Eftpos versus cash.

There will be a dedicated window for Flexischools (Year 7 & 8 will have their own line). Eftpos & cash will have their own windows.

We are anticipating a larger demand for Flexischools next year as the biggest day in 2020 was 166 orders. That is a lot considering the range of food we offer and 90% is made here on site each day.

We do have food available for sale over the counter for those who have forgotten their lunch or did not have time to place an order.

The items and amounts of each available will vary each day.

Any parent or grandparent who would like to volunteer to help us make this amazing food and serve it quickly, please email [phscanteen@gmail.com](mailto:phscanteen@gmail.com) and state what you can do.

The roster runs on a 4 week rotation so sometimes you might be here twice as per the calendar month.

We hope to have the roster completed by the end of term 4, 2020.

Thank you.

The Canteen Crew



# ATARNotes

## Study Strategy Saturday – Free Lectures!

**Saturday 5th December, 2020**

These study strategy lectures, delivered by elite past students, can give you a huge advantage in tests and exams.

Free registration gives you access to:

- Free registration gives you access to:
- Online live lectures where you can ask questions live, and get an immediate answer
- Recordings of all lectures so you can re-watch them later

11am-12pm	12:15pm - 12:45pm
How to ace your studies in Year 11 and 12	How TuteSmart has helped thousands of students succeed
1:00pm - 2:00pm	2:15pm - 2:45pm
How the HSC works & how your ATAR is calculated	How to use EdUnlimited to get ahead in your class

**Register here:**



(<https://bit.ly/2UXC9E5>)



**INTRODUCING**

**STUDENT AUSSIE INVENTIONS THAT CHANGED THE WORLD COMPETITION**

During Term 4 2020, ClickView is running a nationwide search for Australia's next generation of inventors. Students have the chance to pitch their inventions to an expert panel, including some of Australia's leading innovators.

Inspired by the series, Aussie Inventions That Changed The World, the competition encourages students to think creatively as an individual or team. For inspiration, [visit the ClickView website](#) to watch the full series.

**Students, time to start thinking creatively!**

Inventions can be any type, size or functionality and solve any kind of problem. It could solve a problem, make life more interesting or just be incredibly cool!

**IMPORTANT DATES**

- Competition launches 8 October 2020
- Entries open 30 November 2020
- Entries close 17 December 2020
- Winners announced 1 February 2021

**Who can enter?**

The competition is free to enter and open to all high school students from years 7-12 from Australia.

There are two high school entry categories:

- Lower secondary (years 7-9)
- Upper secondary (years 10-12)

You can prepare an individual, team or class entry.

For more information and how to enter, visit [www.clickview.com.au/aussie-student-inventions/](http://www.clickview.com.au/aussie-student-inventions/)

**Amazing prizes for winners in all five categories**

The winners of each category will receive:

- Two mentoring sessions with the judging panel, to help them make their concept a reality
- Cash from ClickView towards their creation process
- Invaluable exposure to networks of innovators, via the networks of the judging panel, and ClickView's industry peers, audiences and customer network.

**Mentor & Judges**

**Sally Dominguez**

Sally Dominguez is an inventor, serial entrepreneur, architect and futurist with seven international product awards. Sally designed the Adventurous Thinking innovation strategy used as a 10X Mindset by organisations including NASA. She judged Car of the Year for 10+ years, was an expert judge on ABC's New Inventors, and co-hosted Aussie Inventions That Changed The World. Sally is an ambassador for Good Design Australia, Faculty at Singularity University in Silicon Valley and teaches Adventurous Thinking at Stanford.

**Dr Niraj Lal**

Dr Niraj Lal is an Australian physicist, presenter and author. He's a principal at the AEMO, hosts Imagine This, is a Visiting Fellow at the Centre for Sustainable Energy Systems at ANU, and Director of First Principles. In 2012, Nij graduated as a Gates Scholar with a PhD in Physics from the Cavendish Laboratory, University of Cambridge. Nij has taught Science at levels ranging from pre-school to post-graduate and, in 2016, was named one of the ABC's Top 5 Scientists Under 40.

**Evan Clark**

Evan Clark graduated from UNSW in 2003 with a Bachelor of Telecommunication Engineering. While studying, Evan invented a way to deliver on-demand HD video to schools over IP networks using MPEG-4 compression standard. The underlying invention was "predictive file transfer" and led to his co-founding of ClickView in 2003. Evan won the 2015 EY Entrepreneur of the Year award. He continues to enhance education by leveraging immersive rich-media technology in AR and AI-driven non-linear video playback.

For more info and how to enter, visit [www.clickview.com.au/aussie-student-inventions/](http://www.clickview.com.au/aussie-student-inventions/)

**DECEMBER 12TH 2020**

**SYDNEY ID CLINIC**

**VILLARREAL SYDNEY ACADEMY**

- SELECTED PLAYERS WILL BE PART OF THE VILLARREAL SYDNEY ACADEMY PROGRAM IN 2021.

- 4 PLAYERS WILL BE SELECTED FOR OUR ONLINE PLAYER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM WITH VILLARREAL CF COACHES IN SPAIN.

**AGES U8 TO U14**

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Location: St Ives Showground (450 Mona Vale Rd, St Ives, NSW 2075)

**DECEMBER 12TH 2020 SCHEDULE 9AM TO 12PM**

**VILLARREAL SYDNEY ACADEMY PROGRAM WILL START TERM 1 2021**

VILLARREAL SYDNEY ACADEMY HAS A COMMITMENT TO DELIVERING THE BEST QUALITY TRAINING EDUCATION AND COACHING OUTCOMES FOR THE NEXT GENERATION OF FOOTBALL PLAYERS.

WE OFFER PLAYERS THE OPPORTUNITY TO BE COACHED BY VILLARREAL CF'S UEFA QUALIFIED COACHES.

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