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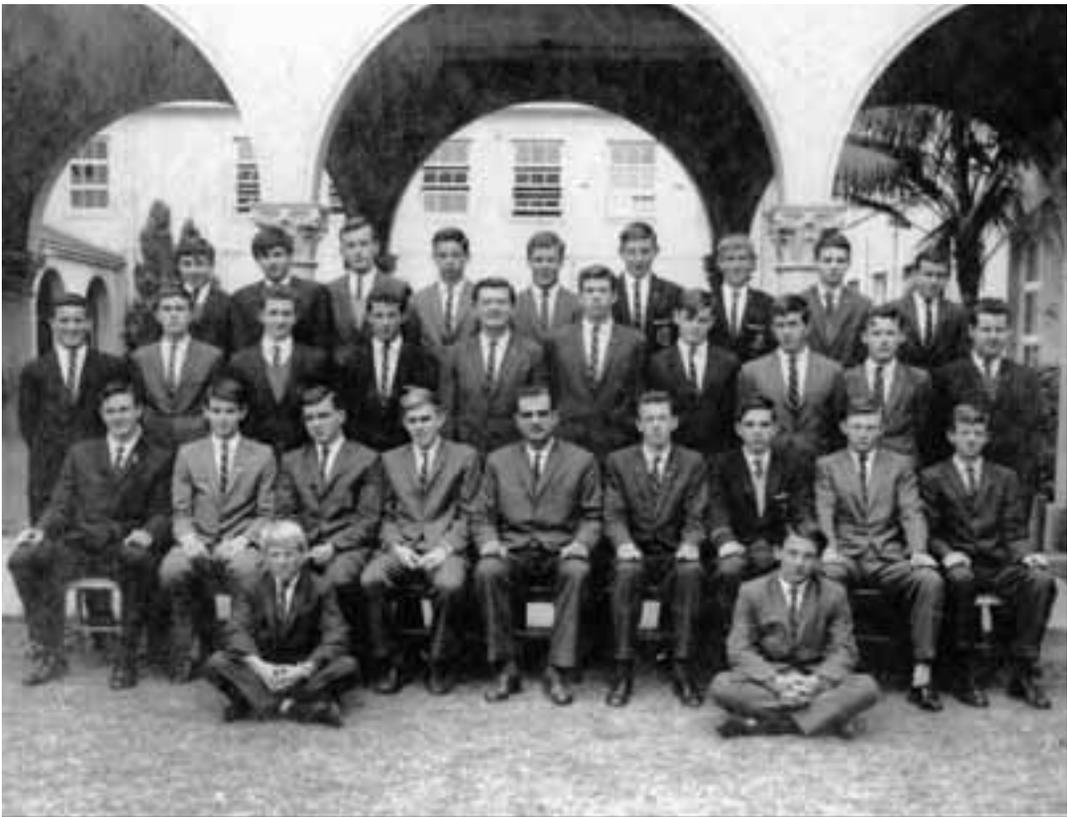
Producing The Record 2005 retrospectively has been a time consuming and difficult task, but one that was made infinitely less arduous by the excellent preparatory work done by Mark Gainford during the 2005 school year. His safekeeping of photographs and attention to detail with recording names for photograph captions was invaluable.

Robert Dowdell's assistance in extracting Class Lists, Salvete and Academic Merit Lists also made my task much simpler.

I also acknowledge the help given to me by teaching staff, Damitha Fonseka, School Captain and Tom Kaldor, Vice Captain 2005, who trawled through their old notes, brain cells and computer files locating assembly speeches, digital photos, sport reports and recollecting anecdotes, identities of team captains, trophy, shield and external competitions winners, etc.

I hope The Record 2005 is bene expectatum.

**Lynne Williams**  
**Editor**



*While searching through archives for photos from the 2005 school year for this publication, I came across this photo of 'The Record Committee 1963'. I could have used their help!*

# Welcome Assembly – Year 7, 2 February 2005

Year 7 2005, new students in Years 8 to 11 parents and staff. I offer my warm congratulations to you all for attaining the academic standard required to gain entry to this prestigious and unique school. On behalf of the extended High Family it is my pleasure to welcome you officially to the school of which we are so proud. I urge you all to get involved fully in school life. This is a very busy school with a great range of activities that attracts the dedicated participation of staff members, students, Old Boys, parents, coaches and volunteers. Opportunities are provided in cultural, sporting, leadership and civic endeavours as well as in academics.

This is a school proud of and defending a strong tradition. Since its inception in 1883 it has always been recognised for its academic excellence, sporting prowess, debating skills, performing and creative arts, for its great alumni and for its independence. Now in its 123rd. year, the school still holds fast to its ideal of producing accomplished all-rounders. Sydney High School was established to give selected boys that opportunity. We expect you will all qualify to enter university in 2011. We trust you will have other accomplishments to complement your academic ones.

Coexisting with its fine tradition is High's forward-looking attitude towards teaching and learning in a world being dominated by the demands of electronic literacy. Our information and communication technology is above state school benchmarks and is improving each year. We have some state of the art software packages in place. High boys are equipped for life in the 21st. century while recognising and honouring the enduring values of the nineteenth.

The academic environment of our school is openly geared towards the pursuit of excellence. Our expectations of you will be high - our aim is to eliminate UAls below 80 from our HSC results. More than 90% of our students now reach this goal. We expect more than 70% of this Year 7 group will earn UAls above 90 at the 2010 HSC. We will challenge you to test the limits of your abilities by offering you rigorous subjects. We support the teaching and learning of classical and modern languages. We offer opportunities for subject acceleration for able learners. We believe senior studies can be appropriate for many boys in Year 10. Aim for high academic achievement.

Sport is a very important part of life at High. Our traditional involvement in GPS and CHS

competitions makes us unique among secondary schools. Sports training is offered on two afternoons. On Wednesdays Years 9 through 12 train in various sports and our strong expectation is that you will play competition on Saturdays. On Thursdays, Years 7 and 8 are instructed in the basic skills, rules and strategies of their sports in preparation for Saturday competition. Participating in GPS competition is an integral component of our ethos. We focus on team sports for educational reasons – group cooperation, team building and motivation skills are most necessary in modern work contexts. Boys have to learn how to work in teams. I expect all boys to acquire these skills through weekend competition. All rounders learn very valuable communication, team and life skills through their participation in GPS sport. Lasting friendships are often forged during seasons of training, competing and socialising.

I expect all boys to involve themselves in co-curricular activities – the Student Awards Scheme booklet identifies the main ones available. The academic merit list, the excellent effort list, school carnivals, debating, performance music, drama, charity work, school and community service, academic competitions, environment enhancement and leadership. Punctuality and commitment are important life attributes. These are also recognised in the Award Scheme. We market ourselves as the leadership school because so many of our alumni become influential people. They often start their journey by being involved in many aspects of school life.

To the new students in Years 8-11, a special welcome to the High family. You have a great opportunity to establish yourselves at our school by quickly getting involved in the co-curricular program. I urge you not to waste a term or a year by waiting and watching. Get involved. You need to grasp every opportunity.

This school prides itself on its dedicated staff and proactive school community. Cooperative enterprise is the foundation for effective school operation. Show your teachers the respect they deserve. Ask them for help. Be responsible for your own learning. The pursuit of excellence is a lifelong discipline.

Welcome to High. Enjoy the experience.

**Dr K A Jaggur**

# Year 12 Farewell Assembly Speech

Welcome parents, teachers and students to our Year 12 Farewell Assembly for the Class of 2005. We are very pleased to have you all here to share with us this important occasion each year as our school follows celebrates its rites of passage for students. At the end of our ceremony the ritual of clapping out of the Year 12s makes a symbolic circle of ending school life just as it was begun in 2000. Having given our seniors their last reports and talked about scholarships and tertiary courses and their lives after school, I feel a sense of closure too. Our teachers have done what they can for Year 12 and now it is up to them to take on the HSC on their own.

I always wonder how well prepared our students are as learners. I was inspired by a comment by Oliver Wendell Holmes on my desk calendar. It suggested that 'many ideas grow better when transplanted into another mind'. One of the great outcomes arising out of the experience of education is that students run with the ideas that come from syllabus documents, teaching programs, research, lesson discussions, interaction with their peers or teacher feedback. Students gradually own and transform the ideas they are exposed to. They make them something better than they were. The process is never replicated exactly. That is what makes an educational experience so unique and personal. The structure of the game is the same each year but the players change and every game is different. That's one of the things that make the profession interesting for teachers.

We celebrate the connection that our Year 12 students have made with the culture of our school – particularly through the co-curricular programs. Year 12 students have embraced the Student Award Scheme in unprecedented numbers. I have seen



*Damitha Fonseka (School Captain), Tom Kaldor (Vice Captain), Jacob Stretton (Senior Prefect).*

young lives turned around by participation and perseverance in various fields of endeavour. Many boys have learnt about themselves, their strengths and limitations, through sports, chess, debating, leadership or music. They have appreciated the power of teams. They now understand about setting goals. They can now communicate to groups of people. They are self-confident, articulate and discerning. We have enjoyed witnessing or contributing to their growth as persons.

Students are often critical about the relevance of aspects of secondary education. They want to know how what they are learning will help them in later life. The building metaphor is useful to reply to their concerns. Foundations laid properly anywhere can be built upon. As teachers we are endeavouring to inculcate habits of mind, ways of reasoning, methods of problem solving and standards to evaluate information. These tools are transportable and not reliant on context. You will improve them and apply them to new contexts in the future. If we have taught you these foundational skills, you will be prepared for life.

I would like to thank the energetic leadership of the Class of 2005 – Damitha, Tom and Jacob - for enhancing the shift of our Prefect body towards responsible action in pursuit of school objectives and community service. Thank you to Ms Berger for her energy and dedication in championing the interests of her year group. Thank you to all the boys who helped to collect a record breaking amount of

### *Year 12 Farewell Assembly*

cash for the Youth Off the Streets Foundation. You are cementing High's growing reputation as a community service organisation. Well done to the authors of the self-regulating charters for the senior study and Prefect's Bear Pit – perhaps we are really moving forward in student self-management attempts. Great work and well done to all the Prefects who helped out at the Canteen, boosting its profitability. Thank you to the boys who helped design and build the amphitheatre project and the McDonald Courtyard mural. The energy of boys who made our corridors into a visual archive has commenced what I hope will become a tradition of making High look like an institution proud of itself, its staff and its students.

I leave you with a wish for Year 12 in the words of the balladeer of my youth, Bob Dylan. 'May your hands always be busy / May your feet always be swift / May you have a strong foundation / When the winds of changes shift / May your heart always be joyful / May your song always be sung/ May you stay forever young'.

Take away from High what you have become but treasure the ideals and aspirations of your youth as you mature and change. Your foundations are laid. From all of us, we wish you good luck in the HSC, success in your future careers and happiness in your personal lives.

**Dr K A Jaggard, Principal, September 2005**



# Captain's Farewell Address

We have had six years together. Inside the classroom, with our sporting teams, in our musical groups, in our trains and buses to and from school, and all roads have led to this place. The time has come to bid farewell. After six years we are finally being asked to sign off and leave our legacies, not to be at roll call tomorrow, or be in our uniform again. But although we won't experience these things after today, what we have gained from this school and the times we've shared will stay with us forever. We owe a large part of the men we have become to the fine school we attended and it is only now as we cross the finish line, that we are able to look back and recognise just how influential these six years were in our development from a child into adulthood.

I have a tremendous sense of pride as I reflect back on our years at High. The unique way we have grown individually and collectively, and the lifelong friendships that have been forged between these walls are things that only the Sydney High environment could have facilitated. We have, no doubt, become a very close unit of boys over the past years. I like to see us as one big group of mates that are divided into subgroups, in which lie the strongest bonds of friendship that exist in life. In each group are circles of friends that will never forget each other and hopefully never lose contact. Whether they are the Moore Park West touch footy group or the amphitheatre handball group, no one can deny that we have developed into close, dependable, real friends.

We've been graced with the most memorable of characters in our grade. From the extroverted entertainers to the hard-working quiet achievers, we have them all. The diversity of personalities has made our ride that much more bumpy and interesting and when I stop to think about it, I realise how each one of us has played our own unique role to make our grade what it is today.

To me the most amazing thing about Sydney High is something you can't read in any book or be told about by any teacher. It's a feeling you get when walking down the corridor between periods, walking past and more importantly walking with, people from different cultural backgrounds and religious beliefs. Boys from all around the world with ideas and values from one extremity to the other. Boys who, if not for Sydney High, we would never have met let alone become lifelong friends with. With these differences has come an environment

which has taught us to understand and appreciate other cultures and beliefs apart from our own. Six years ago we assembled in the Great Hall, strangers to the building, to the teachers, and to each other. We were clapped in, the traditional way, as we entered the new world and I listened to the unison of the one thousand pairs of hands coming together and soon became very much aware and proud of the institution we had been honoured to become a part of. Six years later we have grown together into young men, shaped by what we have learnt at school and the relationships we have made during these six years. I can only imagine how much stronger and passionate these feelings will be when we leave the Great Hall today, no longer as strangers, but as brothers. We shall leave with the knowledge of how short school life can be and only hope that the boys who remain standing inside will make the most of the time they have left.

There have been countless members of the Sydney High community who have helped us along our journey. It would be impossible to mention all of them and their efforts, however I couldn't go without extending a heartfelt thank you to Ms Berger, our Year Adviser of three years. After the tragic loss of Mr Jordan, Ms Berger bravely took upon this role and supported us through our final years at High. We would not have made it without her guidance, and we are forever grateful to have had her as a friend and mentor, who always sought for ways to keep us comfortable and focused.

As we undergo this transition, there is a common sense of release and exhilaration as we finish that crucial stage of our lives that is high-school. However, between these threads of excitement lies an unavoidable sense of loss as we move our separate ways. Nonetheless I am assured that many of us will carry on the friendships that we created and then developed along our journey. I hope that we have become stronger people because of High. I hope that we can all, at challenging times during our lives as adults, be able to close our eyes and be back at this place and remember the lessons we learnt, and the special times we shared.

So to the boys, thank you all for the good times. And on that note...

**Class of 2005, dismissed.**

**Damitha Fonseka, School Captain, 2005**



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# SPEECH NIGHT

and

## 121st ANNUAL PRIZE GIVING

Occasional address by Prof. Minas Coroneo  
BSc(Med), MB BS, MSc Syd, MD, MS UNSW, FRACS, FRANZCO  
Professor and Chairman, Department of Ophthalmology UNSW/POWH  
Old Boy, Class of 1971

### Principal's Address

Professor Coroneo, distinguished guests, prize winners, staff and the class of 2004. On this 121st occasion we celebrate the achievements of our students and reflect on the progress of the school in all its areas of endeavour. For the future of High, the big event of last year was the settling of our long running legal dispute with STA. After four years we can now plan ahead with confidence, free of the burden of protracted, expensive litigation. Key people in our success were: John Kaldor as Chairman of the High Foundation and Andy Chow as its Treasurer; Graham Hurrell our consulting engineer, Mark Livingston, who helped a lot in the last phase and Bob Outterside and Terry Meakin who were there from the beginning. People will look back on our history and see 2004 as a milestone because of their efforts.

Another important development was the inclusion of an extended writing task in the Selective Schools Entrance Test. Several of my selective school colleagues and I have been pushing for this inclusion for nearly a decade. Unfortunately, its impact was lessened by the tactic of moderating its score against the English composite school score. Nevertheless, at least having it is a start. I will continue to campaign for extended writing to be made one quarter of the test score as a discrete component (instead of 1/9th). Secondary academic success governed by the new HSC is all about literacy.

The school embarked on an ambitious plan to build a new library as its 125th anniversary project. Our fundraising has begun in earnest, spearheaded by the irrepressible Valda Roser, whose efforts I acknowledge this evening. I am confident the

project will gain momentum as we approach our celebration year. It would be great if Old Boys took up our cause.

Staff members were asked to extend their electronic reporting again last year. Our booklets in Years 7-10 reported on outcomes for Character Education classes as well as recording student participation in co-curricular activities each semester. Our Student Awards Scheme continues to flourish as annual evaluations refine its protocols. 413 individuals or 37% of students qualified for an award in 2004. This represents an increase of more than 16% since 2001 when the revised scheme commenced. I thank the class of 2004 for its gift to the school, an honour board currently being constructed, that will showcase the names of students who progressed through the six stages to trophy level. Subject acceleration has become an accepted intervention at High with more than 75 boys sitting HSC papers ahead of their cohort. Unmodified Stage 5 curriculum can be a drag for gifted students. We hope to make the approach to senior school a three year plan in the minds of more boys, thus gaining more effective use of the stage 5 -6 interface when many students lose focus after the School Certificate Tests. Plainly, these tests that are primarily of interest to the government, should be pushed back until after the HSC and a School Certificate only issued to the minority of students needing it as an exiting credential. Effective school time would be increased in term 4. State resources would be saved. Our GPS athletics season was changed to fit between summer and winter sport. We decided to make everyone 'do' athletics. Thanks to the efforts of new MIC Robert Devlin, former High Deputy and

now retired Principal, Mr Wayne Baldock, and Steve Codey, we were able to manage over 1100 boys engaging in athletics on Wednesdays and Thursdays. We will evaluate and adapt the model for 2005.

### **HSC Results**

In terms of the published League Tables High had an average year but our UAI results were strong. Congratulations to the eighteen students who were placed on the HSC All-round Achievers List for achieving the highest band in courses totalling 10 or more units:

Tanvir, Ali, James, Nanshan, Brian, Bishoy, Ivan, Sabbir, Varun, Clement, Terence, Chao, Thomson, Konstantin, Oliver, Isaac, Daniel and Phillip. Well done to Calvin, Konstantin and Kagan our 2005 UNSW Co-op Program Scholars. Daniel Wodak topped the state in the Philosophy Distinction Course. Terence Law came second in the state in Chinese extension and third in Continuers behind Calvin Liu at second. Our top UAIs Clement and Phillip received 99.95. Mr Dowdell used the UAI Estimator Program and downloaded actual HSC results, then tested these against actual UAIs reported from students to produce the list of 185 results. High averaged 93 UAI, with the highest percentage since the new HSC started at 90 or above, a pleasing 75%. We are still light on at the top end with 25 at 99 or above, but the number of results below 80 shrank to 7.5%.

For the first time in over a decade, students took up more places at the University of Sydney (66) than at the University of New South Wales (61), with Macquarie (16), newcomer ANU (8) and UWS (5) making up the top 6 destinations. 98% of students accepted university offers. Commercial courses were favoured (56). Various engineering courses were taken up by 33 boys. Combined Law was strong at 25, Arts attracted 23. Health Science and medicine was way up at 21. Most boys were happy with the courses they qualified for.

### **Old Boy Achievements**

We congratulate old boys Anastasios Panagiotelis (Economics), Rhys Hardwick Jones (Engineering) and Hilbert Chiu (history) as recent medallists from the University of Sydney. , Costa Avgoustinos (2001) won third prize overall at Tropfest (2004) for his short film 'Yin', won the Sony Best Young Director Award and won the People's Choice category. Adam

Pretty (1996) won his second Walkley Award for film photography.

### **Competitions**

In academic competitions the star performer was Ivan Guo. His gold medal award at the Mathematics Olympiad in Athens was very significant, achieved by only 25 Australians. In the UNSW 43rd. Annual Schools Mathematics Competition Ivan Guo won first prize again. His perfect score record stumped the test devisers again. In the senior division Clement Lau and Chen Yang were awarded prizes and certificates. In the junior division Anthony Morris, Vinh Pham and Senthil Thillainadesan were awarded equal third prize. Prize winners in the Australian Business Studies Competition were: Tom Hoare and Pat McDonnell. Prize winners in the 2004 Australian Economics Competition were: Ericson Ho, Krishna Shanthikumar and Senthil Thillainadesan. Vinh Pham and Anthony Morris have been invited to Melbourne for the prestigious summer training school for elite mathematicians.

In the Australian Mathematics Competition, our highest ever participation of 942 also resulted in our highest percentage of awards (credit or higher) at 96%. In the Australian Schools Science Competition 936 boys were tested and 85% received awards. In the English competition a healthy 709 boys entered and 84% gained awards. In computing studies, the figures were 735 at 80% and Geography 341 at 69%.

### **Chess**

The best co-curricular effort of the year came from chess. Ronald Yu was chosen to represent Australia again at the World Junior Chess Championships in Heraklion, Crete. Iliia Zvedeniouk was the mainstay of our chess team that won the state schools title again and for the first time, the National Schools Chess Competition. Ronald, Iliia, Jason Cohn and Anthony Chau were a great team.

### **Debating**

In debating the Hume Barbour team crashed and burned and a talented Sydney Girls team borrowed the trophy for a year. In a NSW Debating Squad of 12, High had three representatives: Tanvir Ahmed, Faraz Amin and Daniel Wodak. Daniel was selected in the NSW Debating Team. Our Karl Cramp team shrugged off their disappointment at throwing away the Commonwealth Junior title last year to come home strongly to win the trophy in the final

against Gosford High. Gabriel McManus, Tom Kaldor and William Clegg worked well as a team on the day.

### **Public Speaking**

Daniel Wodak got to the state final of the English Speaking Union Plain Speaking Competition. Kelvin Yu was runner up in the state and national final of the Legacy Junior Public Speaking Competition – an impressive effort.

### **The Arts**

Jing Wang won a prize in a Chinese International Writing Competition and went to Beijing to collect it. Francis Wong won the scholarship for a 'China Experience Programme'- a four-week experience for students in years 10 and 11 studying Chinese, to undertake studies at a Chinese school. The Chinese Eisteddford team won individual prizes in the junior division and third place in the group division. Tom Mittelheuser and Jeremy James (Year 11) spent over 2 terms doing the Gaudi style mosaic in the McDonald Wing courtyard. Anthony Chau was selected as 1st violin for the Sydney Youth Orchestra that toured Italy. Tanvir Uddin and Senthil Thillainadesan were awarded Certificates of Commendation in the Young Writer of the Year competition. Jack Han won 3rd. prize in the short story section of the Write 4 Fun competition among 6.5k entries.

### **Tennis**

The first grade team had the most impressive sporting results of the year. They were undefeated in GPS competition. The Stan Jones Cup is the Combined High Schools Teams Tennis Championship. In 2003 we were knocked out in the final by Lismore High. In 2004 Michael Hayes, Dejan Bodrozic, Brian Ly, Tim Neville, Peter Pereira and David Cao defeated Smiths Hill High School to take out the prestigious trophy. The top four boys went on to place third in the National Schools Teams Championship and were undefeated in doubles, despite playing against specialist tennis schools. Michael Hayes finished his six years in first grade tennis on a high note!

### **Volleyball**

In the open division High teams were undefeated premiers at the end of the season in both first grade and second grade. Volleyball is slowly growing in status as an unofficial GPS sport. Our under 16s team qualified in the 'honours' division for the

national titles. Our CHS Volleyball representatives were Karl Kruszelnicki and Keith Wong. They represented NSW in the annual Trans Tasman challenge.

### **Swimming**

High had a big year in swimming, spearheaded by the fine form of Tom Miller. Tom re-wrote the senior record book at the school carnival, breaking records in four events – one set in 1967! At CHS Andrew Reis won the 200 IM and the 100 breaststroke. Tom won the 17-19, 50 freestyle. Kenny La won the 13s breaststroke. At the CIS meet Andrew Reis won the 15 years 100 breaststroke. Tom Miller won the All - Schools 50m. freestyle championships and competed at the Australian Schools' Swimming Championships in Brisbane. He won a Bronze medal in the 17-18 years 50m freestyle and a silver medal as a member of the NSW medley relay team – a terrific final season of elite competitive swimming! The GPS relay team: Tom Miller, Andrew Reis, Ellis Louie and Barry Dubovsky, had an historic win at the GPS Swimming Carnival.

### **Rowing**

Joshua Scharfegger was selected in the NSW quad sculls crew that competed at the Henley Regatta in the UK. He was the star of the CHS championships: rowing in the first VIII for an easy win in the championship VIII, coming second in the championship single scull by half a canvas to a NSW Youth VIII representative, then teaming with Liam Bennett to win the championship men's double scull! High won the championship men's IV. Dominic Grimm won the U-17 single scull. Mischa Steen, Troy Polis, Alex Tiedgen and Liam Bennett took out the championship men's quad sculls. James Tiedgen, Joel Kamerman, Blake Angell and Sandy Cunningham won the U-16 quad sculls. High boys were placed 19 times at the regatta. Liam Bennett was awarded the trophy for the best performance by a male athlete at the CHS Championship for three first places (1st VIII, quad scull, double scull). He was awarded a Regional Blue and a CHS blue for his efforts – a fine way to conclude his rowing career at High.

### **Soccer**

Our first grade soccer team imploded during the season, perhaps as a reaction to being undefeated in 2003 but not winning the GPS premiership. Despite our patchy form our combined GPS soccer

representatives were: Sen Mitsuji (1st.), and Matthew Shiner, Kim Dickson, Tom Lung (3rd).

### **Athletics**

At the AAGPS Athletics Carnival Paul Watzlaff had an emphatic win in the open 3000m. In the U-16 shot, Roger Burrell was second. Gehan Karunaratne won the under-14 long jump. Danny Ng was 3rd in the U-14 high jump. Nelson Ridges ran 3rd in the U-13 100m. Our CHS cross country championships representatives were: Paul Watzlaff, Nick Dimitropoulos, Jeremy Brown, Alisdair Brown and Plini Roessler-Holgate.

### **Rifle Shooting**

Despite failing to defend their GPS title at the Hornsby competition High's team had three representatives chosen in the Combined GPS Rifle Team: Michael Li, Chris Budd and Tim Shu.

### **Rugby**

Drew Hoare's try against Sty Joseph's was the highlight of the rugby season for me. While competitive but unsuccessful at first grade level, Rugby had a very encouraging season. Total games played in the season increased by 36% to 125. GPS games played rose by 27% to 80. Total wins improved by 62% to 47, while GPS wins lifted by 187%.

Karl Kruszelnicki (volleyball) and Tom Miller (swimming) were awarded Sydney East Blues for outstanding achievement in sport.

Our MICs, coaches, parents and committees provide huge support for our boys to compete in their chosen sports. We attempt to perform at the margin

of excellence in a large number of activities. Our resources are spread thinly. Our reliance on your help is fundamental. I salute all your efforts!

In saying a last farewell to the class of 2004, I would like to share with you a story about the famous Russian author Leo Tolstoy, set on a riverbank in the 1880's where Leo was spending some time with one of his daughters, Tatyana. After gazing into the river, Leo reminded Tatyana that life was like a river: it contained all sorts of things, some good, some evil, some very evil. The big thing in life, he observed, was to know the direction in which that river was flowing and get into that river and flow with it. Later, Tatyana fortuitously followed her habit of diarising "What Papa said". She wrote: "I am always happy when Papa speaks because he always speaks to me about the things that matter in life". This little episode is significant, not because of its rather simplistic riverine simile, but because of what it inspired in the listener. If your time at High has had moments of illumination, when you thought that wisdom and understanding were being facilitated, when discussion resolved complexity, or when you understood concepts that were carefully explained, then you have something that matters to take away with you. A sense of having been involved in something productive might well remain with you for a very long time. It's the context of your learning here that will show where the current flows. Do not hesitate to get into the river with Leo, what you have shared, done, learned and been here at High, will help you stay afloat.

Congratulations to all of our prize winners!

**Dr K A Jaggard**

# Occasional Address by Prof. Minas Coroneo

**BSc(Med), MB BS, MSc Syd, MD, MS UNSW, FRACS, FRANZCO  
Professor and Chairman, Department of Ophthalmology UNSW/POWH  
Old Boy, Class of 1971**

Thank you for inviting me back to Sydney High as Guest of Honour at the 121st Speech Day to give the Occasional Address. It really is a great honour and my wife Hellene (a Sydney Girls' old girl) and I are touched.

As you sit there looking at this bald, boring old guy, more than half of all the nerves of sensation that enter your brains are in the nerves of your eyes ~ 3 million fibres in the optic nerves and much of our brain power is tied up with processing this information - we are visual animals - living in a world almost wholly orientated by sight. We seek our food, sex, shelter and even inspiration through information provided by retinal images. Much of our language is tied up with visual imagery...I can't see myself doing that...I'm going to make a spectacle of myself ....see here, with a view to, I wouldn't be seen dead in that., For the teckies, vision is our highest bandwidth sense.

Eye doctors have the great responsibility and privilege to care for vision and treat eye disease - from simple things like prescribing glasses, to carrying out eye operations, sophisticated laser surgery and doing research - such as trying to develop bionic eyes. We also teach our successors and our students. When we fail, blindness can result - rarely patients die, if we miss something, such as the warning signs of a stroke that can first appear in the eye.

So how did I get to do all this stuff?

There is a short answer - as a medical student you get to explore the human body and having looked at other end, moved to the end furthest away.

When I walked through the gates of this School for the first time in 1970 I would I never have predicted that I would be standing here today. We had moved to Sydney from Scone for two reasons - my father was seriously ill and my parents wanted their children to attend University - in those days difficult to achieve from small schools in the bush. These issues of Health and Education remain big issues for regional Australia. Worse still, I wanted to be a Doctor - so moving to Sydney for the final 2 years of high school and aiming for a big HSC score was as

big as many of the challenges I have since had to face and certainly it was excellent preparation for what lay ahead.

In truth I had a pretty ordinary career here - I do not appear on any of the Honour rolls up there on the walls - after having topped every subject in the School Certificate, I did not even come close here. I wasn't much of a sportsman, didn't debate - really wasn't much use at all. But I was determined.

Let me tell you, growing up with a name like mine in a country town in the 1950's was no picnic. Multiculturalism is a relatively recent invention-even fashionable - back then there was a certain xenophobia - the funniest thing that happened in Scone was that a classmate threatened to attack me with grease proof paper - he was rather put out that I couldn't stop laughing. The best form of revenge was to excel academically. My parents valued and rewarded academic success - they did not have much of a formal education - my father's family had arrived here from the Island of Kythera in Greece in the 1890s - he had one year in school where he learned basic English and how to swear in Australian then to work in the Niagara Café where hot food could be had 24 hours per day. He told me that "knowledge was power", that a lot of big deals were done on golf courses, that no-one owed you a living and honesty was the best policy - bad things happened to bad people. I have gone through life trying to know more than anyone else and I wasn't a bad golfer. He also had learned that central to the Australian ethos was the concept of "the fair go".

Why medicine? Well the most impressive person in Scone was Dr Walter Pye - he saved lives, delivered children, had a new white Jaguar and the biggest house in town. My father had been in the ambulance corps in Darwin during World War II - he saw some major surgery - was unimpressed and did not like doctors - so unlike most ethnic dads tried to talk me out of medicine - actually he got me a job in the local abattoirs to turn me off - instead of which I became an expert in cow, sheep and pig anatomy.

Why ophthalmology - well after the war my parents

purchased the local cinema a beautiful art deco palace. Some of the projectionists would show up drunk on Saturday nights – so in my early teens I entered the world of cinemascope lenses, carbon arcs and multitasking – running 2 x 35 mm projectors and doing homework between reels. I have since had a fascination with light and lenses and optics and where better to study this than in the human eye.

Sydney High in the early 70s was a great experience. Talk about multicultural – my small group of friends on the flat included guys with Russian, Jewish, Chinese, Hungarian, Yugoslavian and Scottish heritage – there were Greeks everywhere – there was an honorary Aussie. These were guys whose families bought the best of their cultures to Australia and left past problems behind – somehow we all got on and had fun learning about our various heritages.

I made good lifelong friends. I remember one morning at the bus stop in Kensington where we lived – one of the local stable hands called my new friend a wog – my friend calmly walked up to this chap, lifted up this fellow's trouser leg, closely inspected his ankle suddenly said yep, chain marks, you bloody convict and then flattened him. This was a new experience for me.

We had some truly inspirational teachers here and I am very much the product of my teachers. From my days in Scone, taught by locals who went off to war, retrained and went home to teach the local kids, to here, to Sydney University Medical School, to Germany then back here – I have been extraordinarily lucky to have extraordinary teachers. Perhaps the most famous was Fred Hollows, more later.

The English master here gave us what he called growth novels – Golding's *Spire*, Kafka's *Trial*; in French we got all the grammar and a dose of existentialism. A wonderful maths teacher who got over 30 Boys, including rowers through level one Maths – at the time I had a relative who wrote the Maths text books – I had little choice as to which class I was in. In my years here, despite a maths science intent, learned to care about literature and the arts.

In 1971 we won the football – there was an assembly, which symbolically I missed and almost got caned for. While I enjoyed sport, I believe too much emphasis is placed on it in our society. Intellectual pursuits are not well recognized, yet it is only by intellect and innovation that we will survive and prosper.

At the time I had another apparent handicap – I was something of a lateral thinker – before it was fashionable. I was unable to go from point a to b via the most direct route – this is a real problem, particularly if you are being taught by surgeons. I seem to meander through various fields, taking what seems forever, but borrowing ideas from one area that can be applied elsewhere. A second tactic that I accidentally learned when facing research problems is that you look at say a disease or problem you do not understand – you learn everything about it – all the conventional wisdom – this must be by definition wrong – you then chuck it out and start again – I later found that this as the approach of a very famous Australian, Rodney Brooks who is head of Robotics at Massachusetts Institute of Technology – he builds those funny looking but very effective vehicles that you see on Mars. This approach can get you into lots of hot water, especially when you challenge accepted wisdom. I got to be a Professor on the basis of a single observation – one morning in 1982 I was putting on my tie – I noticed a spot of focused light in the cornea of my eye – it turned out that the optics of the eye work side on as well as front on – so side light can damage the eye – which is why sunglasses that wrap around have become popular. Well it turned out that this light focusing could cause forms of cataract and a fleshy red growth called a pterygium. When I tried to publish this – I got polite and sometimes impolite rejections – basically a little guy from Australia was being told we don't believe you. Fred Hollows encouraged me to stick to my guns – it was eventually published and now is in some textbooks.

After 4th year of medical school I interrupted formal studies to do a year of research with a Professor John Young – who became Dean of Medicine at Sydney University – he taught me most about what I know about how to do research – he was a tough boss – it was all about excellence – in Medicine it has to be – you are dealing with peoples lives – yet we know relatively little about basic biology. In the current political climate doctors are seen as elitist and attacked – and whether or not I am permitted to talk about politics tonight, I think that in the last Federal election Australia voted against the class hatred evident in these attitudes.

John Young was erudite, cultured and trained in Germany and most of my early research was conducted there – a tremendous experience – working in world class laboratories, travelling, trying

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to learn another language. Eventually I ended back in Sydney working for Fred Hollows – in stark contrast to Young. I travelled through central Australia, spent 10 years driving to and from Bourke – when he was ill I stayed in Randwick and ran his Department, learning how to deal with the bureaucracy.

We are incredibly lucky to be living here in a relatively wealthy democracy, in the country of the fair go, where we still have a somewhat wry sense of humour. We have had to be smart to survive, both from first settlement days and earlier but we have been hopeless at the business of selling innovation, which is why our American cousins lead much of what we now do. So I am sure that with these fabulous ingredients, your teachers will take these very bright young minds and challenge them to make a difference. Yes we need to know all the conventional stuff – this gets you through exams but to make a difference you need to do more.

So guys, travel, read, question everything – finish what you start. Watch out for the anti-elitists – and the dumbing down of everything they touch. Work hard, be kind to your parents – my nephew once said to my mother, you know gran we have a common enemy, my parents.

When you go to the United States and you must go – to see the best and worst that our civilization has to offer, drop in to the Getty Museum, one of the world's great cultural establishments. It was built by John Paul Getty a driven oil man – as you leave the building just inside the entrance, there is a marble bust of an elegant man in a fine jacket, looking you in the eye – the inscription gives the history of the museum which is dedicated to delighting and educating its visitors. He is challenging you to do better with your life and as an academic and a perpetual student, I have come to understand that education and delight go hand in hand.

To the prizewinners today, congratulations for your hard work and to your families for your achievements – most of you won't get prizes tonight but there are plenty more out there and there is hope for you yet.

Thank you for listening and for this opportunity to come back to a place that I can never forget and to which I always will be grateful.

**MINAS T. CORONEO, BSc (Med) MB BS MSc Syd MD, MD MS UNSW, FRACS, FRANZCO.**

# ACADEMIC AWARDS

## HSC

<b>Headmaster's Prize and Warnecke Trophy for DUX (aeq)</b> <b>A.B. Piddington Prize for Advanced English</b> <b>Latin (Extension)</b>	Phillip Yang
<b>Headmaster's Prize and Warnecke Trophy for DUX (aeq)</b> <b>Legal Studies</b>	Clement Lau
<b>Philosophy Distinction Course</b> <b>English Extension 2</b> <b>English Extension 1</b> <b>H.C. Fisk Prize for Ancient History</b>	Daniel Wodak
<b>G.C. Saxby Prize for Mathematics Extension 2</b> <b>Mathematics Extension 1</b> <b>Software Design</b>	Ivan Guo
<b>Henry F. Halloran Diamond Jubilee Prize for Chemistry</b> <b>Dr F.W. Doak Prize for Latin</b>	Tanvir Ahmed
<b>Music Extension</b> <b>Music 2</b>	Adam McKenzie
<b>Mathematics</b>	Edward Wang
<b>Frank S. Bradhurst Prize for Biology</b>	Jason Tan
<b>The Alan C. Corner Prize for Physics</b>	Varun Harish
<b>Clarrie Martin Memorial Prize for Modern History</b>	Clement Sheil
<b>Business Studies</b>	Thomson Liu
<b>Paul Griffiths Prize for Economics</b>	Kon Moltchanski
<b>Sir Charles Winston Prize for Geography</b>	Mian Wang
<b>Chinese (Continuers)</b>	Calvin Liu
<b>Chinese (Extension)</b>	Terence Law
<b>The Chancellor's Prize for Classical Greek</b>	Oliver Lee
<b>Sir Earle Page Prize for French</b>	William Kwok
<b>German</b>	Peter Godfrey
<b>Drama</b>	Henry Zou
<b>Music 1</b>	Simon Chadwick

<b>The Class of 1937 Prize for Visual Arts</b>	Kaeyen Wong
<b>M.G. Speedy Prize for Engineering Studies</b>	Eric Ren
<b>R &amp; T C Meakin Prize for Industrial Technology</b>	Dat Huynh
<b>Information Processes and Technology</b>	Robbie Glance
<b>Personal Development, Health and Physical Education</b>	Drew Hoare

## **PRELIMINARY**

<b>Keith C. Cameron Memorial Prize for DUX</b> <b>University of N.S.W. Prize for Economics</b> <b>C.W. Wick Prize for Physics</b>	Gabriel McManus
<b>The P &amp; C Prize for Second</b> <b>K. Saxby Prize for Mathematics</b> <b>Mathematics Extension 1</b> <b>J. Manchester Prize for Biology</b>	Frank Cai
<b>Prize for Third</b> <b>SHSOB Rugby Club Prize for Chemistry</b>	Jim Tsao
<b>Legal Studies</b> <b>F.A. Elgar Prize for English Extension</b>	Jack Han
<b>Visual Arts</b> <b>Drama (aeq)</b>	Thomas Mittelheuser
<b>Drama (aeq)</b>	Monaj Bari
<b>English Advanced</b>	Ben Nham
<b>Ancient History</b>	John Holloway
<b>Modern History</b>	Philip Tripp
<b>Business Studies</b>	Simon Cradock
<b>Geography</b>	Kaivan Vaidya
<b>Chinese (Community)</b>	John Chan
<b>F.A. Elgar Prize for French</b>	Edward Ovadia
<b>Latin</b>	Omar Salem
<b>Engineering Science</b>	Alan Dam
<b>Software Design</b>	Stan Domeshek
<b>Music 2</b>	Raj Kumar

## YEAR 10

<b>The Sir Frederick Jordan Memorial Prize for DUX</b> <b>Geography</b> <b>Commerce</b>	Aaron Chan
<b>The University of Sydney Year 10 Academic Excellence Award (2nd in Year 10)</b> <b>German</b> <b>Science</b>	Kaivan Vaidya
<b>The P &amp; C Prize for Third</b> <b>H.A. Coss Prize for English</b>	Anthony Huynh
<b>Mathematics</b> <b>History</b>	Vinh Pham
<b>History Elective Combined</b> <b>Drama</b>	James Morgan
<b>Edgar Bembrick Memorial Prize for Latin</b>	Kieran Leong
<b>Chinese (Community)</b>	Henry Liu
<b>Chinese (Foreign)</b>	Kevin Mak
<b>H.A. Pelham Prize for Classical Greek</b>	Russell Rahman
<b>The George Hillary Smith QC Prize for French</b>	Stephen Burke
<b>Technical Drawing</b>	Yuk Leung
<b>Design &amp; Technology</b>	Chung Ho
<b>Architecture and Building Design</b>	Joel Kamerman
<b>Visual Arts</b>	Ramesh Nithiyendran
<b>Music</b>	Adrian Flores
<b>Personal Development, Health and Physical Education</b>	Long Chen

## YEAR 9

<b>J.H. Killip Prize for DUX</b> <b>The Macquarie University Prize for Academic Achievement</b> <b>R. K. Levis Prize for English</b> <b>Science</b> <b>History</b> <b>Commerce</b> <b>Geography</b> <b>French</b> <b>Visual Arts</b>	Raymond Roca
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<b>P &amp; C Prize for Second Mathematics</b>	Anthony Morris
<b>Phillip Seymour Prize for Third</b>	Kevin Lee
<b>Classical Greek Latin</b>	Eugene Stadnik
<b>History (Empires)</b>	David Kumagaya
<b>History (Wars)</b>	Kelvin Yu
<b>Chinese (Foreign)</b>	Jacky Au
<b>Chinese (Community)</b>	Jeffrey Xie
<b>German</b>	Amadeus Klocker
<b>Hebrew</b>	Vitaliy Tsitalovskiy
<b>Technical Drawing</b>	Albert Ng
<b>Design &amp; Technology</b>	Wilson Wong
<b>Music</b>	James Mackay
<b>Architecture and Building Design</b>	Aditya Keswani
<b>Personal Development, Health and Physical Education</b>	Aaron Shuttleworth

**YEAR 8**

<b>F.A. Elgar Prize for DUX</b>	Ishan Bapat
<b>P &amp; C Prize for Second</b>	Peter Luu
<b>Doris M. Gray Prize for Third</b>	Richard Hua
<b>Science Chinese (Foreign)</b>	George Lo
<b>French German</b>	David Fan
<b>History (aeq)</b>	Lucian Tan Marco Sun
<b>English</b>	Nicholas Lochner
<b>Mathematics</b>	Richard Hua
<b>Geography</b>	Ruiwen Liu

<b>Chinese (Community)</b>	Tom Sun
<b>Classical Greek</b>	I-Cheng Shih
<b>Hebrew</b>	Alexander Shapilsky
<b>Latin</b>	Jun Dai
<b>Music</b>	Muhamed Mehmedbasic
<b>Visual Arts</b>	Nathan Kwok
<b>Design and Technology</b>	Bernard Lung
<b>Personal Development, Health and Physical Education</b>	Matthew Fsadni

## YEAR 7

<b>Gordon Barr Memorial Prize for DUX</b>	Danny Lam
<b>P &amp; C Prize for Second Science</b>	Matthew Tong
<b>Doris M. Gray Prize for Third</b>	Matthew Lau
<b>Geography</b>	Thomas Wilson
<b>Classical Greek</b>	
<b>French</b>	
<b>Latin</b>	
<b>English</b>	
<b>Louis Appleton</b>	
<b>Mathematics</b>	Simon Cheng
<b>History</b>	Stephen Garofano
<b>German</b>	David Fan
<b>Music</b>	Darren Nguyen
<b>Visual Arts</b>	Joshua Bell
<b>Design and Technology</b>	Steven Cheng
<b>Personal Development, Health and Physical Education</b>	Nicholas Dimitropoulos

## SPECIAL AND CO-CURRICULAR AWARDS

<b>The Old Boys' Prize</b>	<b>Jimmy Van</b>
<i>to the boy who was "not necessarily first in sport, not necessarily first in scholarship, but certainly first in the hearts of his fellows."</i>	

Speech Night

- The K.J. Andrews Award** **Tom Miller**  
*to a student who contributes willingly and generously across many facets which go to make up the school. Key attributes include leadership, involvement, attitude and sense of pride in the School.*
- The Caltex Best All Rounder Award** **Benjamin Friis-O'Toole**  
*to a Year 12 boy who has distinguished himself in Mathematics and Rugby.*
- The Robert Outterside Prize**  
*to a Student judged by the School staff as the best all-rounder.  
The student is selected on the basis of character, sport, scholarship and other activities*
- The John Waterhouse Prize** **Robbie Girdler**  
*to the Prefect who has done most in the interests of the School, particularly in the way of keeping the "esprit de corps" and maintaining a high moral tone.*
- The Lennie Basser Award for Scientific Initiative** **Louis Levinzon**  
*to a senior student who demonstrated outstanding scientific initiative and leadership in a school based [or sponsored] practical or skill based activity.*
- The Peter H. Cappe Memorial Prize** **Michael Hayes**  
*to honour a Year 12 student who has distinguished himself throughout his School career by outstanding achievement and contribution to the School.*
- The Oswald Chapman Memorial Prize** **Clement Lau**  
*to the best all-rounder in Year 12. He is selected on the basis of character, scholarship (should be in the first ten in the year), sport and participation in School activities.*
- James Brunton Gibb Prize for Public Speaking** **Daniel Wodak**  
*to a Year 12 boy who excels in the art of public speaking.*
- The J.W. Gibbes Senior School Prize** **Philip Yang**  
*to a Year 12 student for proficiency in Latin, qualities of leadership and devotion to duty in relation to GPS sport*
- Senior Prize for Creativity** **Kaeyen Wong**
- The 1958 Merit Award** **Tom Hoare  
Drew Hoare**  
*to a Year 12 student in just recognition of his sound character and overall performance in studies, sport and other activities.*
- The 1977 Year 12 Prize for Excellence** **Ivan Guo  
Olympiad Gold medallist**  
*to a student who has excelled in an area/s outside school activities*
- The Class of 1991 Prize** **James Gerofi**  
*to a year 12 student who, over six consecutive years, has contributed consistently in a number of fields to the character and spirit of the school*
- The Class of 2001 Prize for Outdoor Education** **Anthony Ho**
- Phil Ainsworth Memorial Prize** **Dominic Byrne**  
*to a Year 12 boy who, during his six years, has shown particular commitment to the ideals of the School Motto, With Truth and Courage, as evidenced by his proficiency in academic (especially English) cultural and sporting activities.*

Speech Night

- Carol Hardy Memorial Prize** **Chong Shao**  
*to a senior student for his contribution to music and other aspects of school life.*
- Headmaster's Award for Outstanding Achievement in the Arts** **Adam McKenzie**  
*for a significant contribution to the Arts, not necessarily within the School or to students whose art work has been set aside for possible selection in Art Express or Encore*
- The Deputy Principals' Prizes** **Andrew Jacques**  
**Tanvir Ahmed**  
*to students who give valuable service to the school*
- Special Staff Prize** **Yinan Zhang**  
**Dat Huynh**  
*to a student for the consistent generous sacrifice of time and invaluable contribution to the School*
- The Michael Goodwin Memorial Prize** **Yi Liu**  
*given in acknowledgment of courage shown in the face of adversity.*
- The Ross Miller Memorial Award** **Sandy Cunningham**  
*to a Year 10 boy judged to be the best all-rounder. This Award is given in memory of an Old Boy and teacher in the School.*
- Le Prix Roger Peyrefitte** **Stephen Burke**  
*to a pupil in any year who has demonstrated talent in, and enthusiasm for both Litterae [Latin/Greek] and French*
- John Francis Bush Memorial Prize** **Alan Dam**  
*to a Year 11 boy for popularity, general character and general proficiency in School and sport.*
- J.M. and W.G. Forsythe Memorial Prize** **Samuel Gribble**  
*to a Year 10 boy who is deemed to be outstanding throughout his course and particularly in the year of the Award, in respect of scholarship, sport and School example.*
- The J.W. Gibbes Junior School Prize** **Kieran Leong**  
*to a Year 10 boy for proficiency in the Humanities – Classics, English and History – soundness of character and interest in GPS sport.*
- The Brian Allsop Memorial Prize** **Roger Burrell**  
*to an outstanding Junior School sportsman who displays the attributes of sportsmanship, courage and modesty.*
- Junior Prize for Public Speaking** **Kelvin Yu**
- The S. & P. Tzannes Prize** **Nelson Ridges**  
*to a Year 7 student of sound character, proficient in academic studies, sport and cultural activities and displays a willingness to subordinate his own interests to those of the School and his fellow students.*

## DEBATING AWARDS

Year 12	Tanvir Ahmed
Year 11	Dawei Qi
Year 10	Faraz Amin
Year 9	Kelvin Yu
Year 8	Lucian Tan
Year 7	Christopher Evans

## THE PETER WALKER AWARD FOR ENGLISH LITERATURE

*For excellence in English Literature*

Year 12	Peter Godfrey
Year 11	Omar Salem
Year 10	Ramesh Nithiyendran
Year 9	Kelvin Yu
Year 8	Ishan Bapat
Year 7	Christopher Evans

## P & C AWARDS

<b>The P &amp; C Award for Outstanding Contribution to the Senior Concert Band</b>	Simon Chadwick
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## THE ARCH FERGUSON PRIZES

*Awarded to sons, grandsons, brothers of Old Boys in Years 8-12 for academic achievements and services to the School. These prizes are sponsored by the Old Boys Union*

Year 12	Benjamin Glass
Year 11	Thomas Kaldor
Year 10	James Morgan
Year 9	Jeremy Luscombe
Year 8	Joel Livingston

## SYDNEY HIGH CADET UNIT

<b>Most efficient Cadet</b>	Cdt Denis Stojanovic
<b>Most efficient Junior NCO</b>	Cpl Frederick Lee
<b>Most efficient Senior NCO</b>	Sgt Timothy Shu
<b>Colonel Duffy Sword of Honour for Most efficient CUO</b>	Cuo Simon Cradock

**Special Book Presentation to SBHS** by Vick Hooper, Assoc. Member 2nd 30th Battalion  
Three books to be presented in Memory of Private Taylor 2nd 30th Battalion  
Received by CUO William Clegg

## STUDENT AWARD SCHEME

### YEAR 12

**The School Trophy** Liam Bennett, James Gerofi, Andrew Jacques

**The School Plaque** Ben Friis-O'Toole, Robbie Girdler, Drew Hoare, Tom Hoare, Tom Miller  
Anson Pang, Mian Wang, Phu Shen Xin, Yinan Zhang

### YEAR 11

**The School Plaque** Nick Bull, William Clegg, Alan Dam, Savva Dobrinsky, Damitha Fonseka,  
Thomas Kaldor, Peshala Kariawasam, Karl Kruszelnicki, Gabriel McManus  
Thomas Mittelheuser, Hung Neo, Benjamin Nham, Edward Ovadia, Dawei Qi  
Mitchell Seow, Victor Sirinopakul, Philip Tripp, Tom Wei, Paul Wong

## SPORTING AWARDS

**SGHS Cup for Games and Sportsmanship** Tom Miller  
**Ray Smee Water Polo Trophy**

**John Skyring Cross Memorial Cup for Outstanding Sportsmanship** Matthew Shiner  
**A.C. McKibbin Trophy for Cricket**  
**The UNSW Cricket Club Batting Award**  
**David Brunton Gibb Prize for Soccer**  
**Sports Blue – Soccer**  
**Sports Blue – Cricket**

**W.W. Ivo Wyatt Memorial Trophy for Senior Swimming** Barry Dubovsky  
**Claude Tressider Trophy for 100m Breaststroke**  
**Swimming Open Champion**  
**Sports Blue – Swimming**

**Frank Albert Cup for Senior Athletics Champion** Suren Wickramasinghe  
**A.M. Eedy Cup for 100m Athletics Champion**  
**Athletics Open Champion**

**The Tom Rushall Prize for Participation and Service to Sport** Michael Hayes  
**Senior Tennis Champion**

**The Warrick Segal Memorial Prize for Sportsmanship and Fellowship** Ali Alsamail

**Special Cricket Trophy for Fielding** Benjamin Friis-O'Toole

**Peter Cady Trophy for Rowing** Troy Polis

**Most Improved Rower** Brian Wrench

**McArthur Memorial Cup for 1500 Athletics Champion** Paul Watzlaff

<b>Alan Kippax Trophy for Rugby</b>	Drew Hoare
<b>Sir Roden Cutler Prize for Sportsmanship, Leadership and Commitment to Rifle Shooting</b>	Andrew Jacques
<b>Rifle Club Championship Cup</b>	Christopher Budd
<b>William Soothill Memorial Trophy for Basketball</b>	Adrian Pluis
<b>“Doc” Bentivoglio Memorial Prize</b> <i>to a member of the Junior School for outstanding performance and sportsmanship in Rugby and Rowing.</i>	James Tiedgen
<b>GPS of NSW OBU Council Prize</b> <i>awarded to the student who best exemplifies the qualities of fellowship, commitment and service to GPS sport, in terms of either coaching, managing and/or refereeing</i>	Simon Cradock

## CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONS

<b>Open</b>	Nadeeka Jayarathna	<b>14 years</b>	Quan Nguyen
<b>17 years</b>	Jeremy James	<b>13 years</b>	Cameron Reeves
<b>16 years</b>	Paul Watzlaff	<b>12 years</b>	Nicholas Dimitropoulos
<b>15 years</b>	Sandy Cunningham		

## ATHLETICS CHAMPIONS

<b>Open</b>	Suren Wickramasinghe	<b>13 years</b>	Lachlan Street
<b>16 years</b>	Jacob Stretton	<b>12 years</b>	Alasdair Brown
<b>15 years</b>	Richard Xu		
<b>14 years</b>	Matthew Fsadni		

## SWIMMING CHAMPIONS

<b>Open</b>	Barry Dubovsky	<b>13 years</b>	Kenny La
<b>16 years</b>	Ellis Louie	<b>12 years</b>	Bobby Esaev
<b>15 years</b>	Andrew Reis		
<b>14 years</b>	Anton Komarov		

**The G C Saxby Shield for House Competition** TORRINGTON

## SPORTS BLUES

### Basketball

George Krastev

### Cricket

Matthew Shiner

### Cross Country

Paul Watzlaff

### Football

Kim Dickson, Matthew Shiner

### Rifle Shooting

Timothy Shu

### Swimming

Barry Dubovsky, Andrew Reis, Ellis Louie

### Tennis

Brian Ly, Dejan Bodnozic, Timothy Neville

### Volleyball

Karl Kruszelnicki

# Academic Achievement Lists 2005

## Year 7 – Semester 1

Shadman ALI  
 Puneet BAWEJA  
 Richard BI  
 Andrew BLOMBERG  
 Joseph BRAVERMAN  
 Gareth CHAN  
 Justin CHAN  
 Angud CHAWLA  
 Dale CHEN  
 Andy CHIEM  
 Sam DARCY  
 Gareth DEACON  
 George DENNY-SMITH  
 Eric FENG  
 Oliver FIO  
 Matthew FONG  
 Anirban GHOSE  
 Enoch HUI  
 Brian KELLY  
 Jeffrey LAM  
 Ivan LI  
 Merlin LI  
 Daniel LUO  
 Robert MA  
 Timothy MOLLOY  
 Mario MORENO  
 Joshua NAIR  
 Antony PAUL  
 Sameep SANDHU  
 Kevin SHENG  
 Tony SILVEIRA  
 Paul SIMOS  
 Joshua SUTTON  
 Kieran TAYLOR  
 Christopher TIN-LOI  
 Mohit TUGNAIT  
 Nelson WANG  
 James WHITING  
 Christopher WONG  
 John WORMELL  
 Stephen YOON

## Year 7 – Semester 2

Puneet BAWEJA  
 Andrew BLOMBERG  
 Joseph BRAVERMAN  
 Gareth CHAN  
 Justin CHAN  
 Sam DARCY  
 Gareth DEACON  
 George DENNY-SMITH  
 Eric FENG  
 Oliver FIO

Matthew FONG  
 Anirban GHOSE  
 Aaron HO  
 Hugh HUANG  
 Enoch HUI  
 Rafat KAMAL  
 Jeffrey LAM  
 Benjamin LI  
 Ivan LI  
 Merlin LI  
 Richard LIN  
 Andrew LIU  
 Yixin LIU  
 Daniel LUO  
 Robert MA  
 Timothy MOLLOY  
 Mario MORENO  
 Joshua NAIR  
 Antony PAUL  
 Maxwell PHILLIS  
 Sameep SANDHU  
 Tony SILVEIRA  
 Paul SIMOS  
 Joshua SUTTON  
 Christopher TIN-LOI  
 Mohit TUGNAIT  
 Wei WAN  
 Nelson WANG  
 James WHITING  
 Erick WONG  
 Andrew WU  
 Stephen YOON

## Year 8 – Semester 1

Adrian ANG  
 Alexander  
 BELOKOPYTOV  
 Timothy BURSTON  
 Julian BYRNES  
 Yiming CAO  
 Matthew CHAN  
 Jack CHEN  
 Simon CHENG  
 Benjamin DIEP  
 Matthew DINH  
 James ERIKSSON  
 Stephen GAROFANO  
 Desmond HI  
 Harry HUH  
 Jeremy IRELAND  
 Brandon JIANG  
 Christian KATSIKAROS  
 Vincent KHOU  
 Phillip KURTS

Danny LAM  
 Victor LAM  
 Brian LAU  
 Matthew LAU  
 Daniel LO  
 Edward LU  
 Simon LU  
 Mark LUCCHITTI  
 Maxeem MIKHA  
 Kent NGUYEN  
 Thomas NGUYEN  
 David PENG  
 Shane PONRAJ  
 Daniel SHAN  
 Avish SHARMA  
 Wilson SZET  
 Matthew TONG  
 Anthony TSIALIS  
 Jack WACHSMANN  
 Thomas WILSON  
 Jeffrey WONG  
 Bohan YANG  
 Michael YIU  
 Shorson ZHANG

## Year 8 – Semester 2

Adrian ANG  
 Bryant APOLONIO  
 Yiming CAO  
 Matthew CHAN  
 Jack CHEN  
 Simon CHENG  
 Benjamin DIEP  
 Matthew DINH  
 Desmond HI  
 Harry HUH  
 Jeremy IRELAND  
 Christian KATSIKAROS  
 Vincent KHOU  
 Phillip KURTS  
 Danny LAM  
 Victor LAM  
 Brian LAU  
 Matthew LAU  
 Felix LEE  
 Aolin LI  
 Kang LIM  
 Daniel LO  
 Edward LU  
 Mark LUCCHITTI  
 Maxeem MIKHA  
 Darren NGUYEN  
 Jason NGUYEN  
 Kent NGUYEN

Thomas NGUYEN  
 Plini ROESSLER-  
 HOLTGATE  
 Daniel SHAN  
 Leonard TENG  
 Matthew TONG  
 Victor UNG  
 Samuel WAN  
 Thomas WILSON  
 Dickson WU  
 Michael YIU  
 Shorson ZHANG

## Year 9 – Semester 1

Eric ANG  
 Ishan BAPAT  
 Cary CHEUNG  
 Daniel CHIM  
 Matthew COUTTS  
 Jun DAI  
 Viet DANG  
 Yiming DENG  
 Ping DU  
 David FAN  
 Danny FU  
 Richard HUA  
 Anthony HUYNH  
 Kartik IYER  
 Remy JI  
 Albert KIM  
 Nathan KWOK  
 Sean LEE  
 Alvin LEUNG  
 Nathan LIEU  
 Simon LIU  
 Nicholas LOCHNER  
 Bernard LUNG  
 ZORRILLA MONTOYA  
 Edwin  
 Adrian NG  
 Varan PERANANTHAN  
 Paul PHUAH  
 Ricky RATNAYAKE  
 Harrison REID  
 Alex SHAPILSKY  
 Stuart SUGITO  
 Marco SUN  
 Lucian TAN  
 Andrew TANG  
 Ashwin THOMAS  
 Simon TING  
 David VIEN  
 Jason WONG  
 Simin YANG  
 Alex YEUNG

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**Year 9– Semester 2**

Ishan BAPAT  
 Michael BOCK  
 William CHAN  
 Daniel CHIM  
 Matthew COUTTS  
 Jun DAI  
 Viet DANG  
 Yiming DENG  
 Ping DU  
 David FAN  
 Danny FU  
 Richard HUA  
 Anthony HUYNH  
 Kartik IYER  
 Albert KIM  
 Sean LEE  
 Alvin LEUNG  
 Nathan LIEU  
 Simon LIU  
 Calum MARTIN  
 ZORRILLA MONTOYA  
 Edwin  
 Varan PERANANTHAN  
 Paul PHUAH  
 Ricky RATNAYAKE  
 Harrison REID  
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 Lucian TAN  
 Andrew TANG  
 Ashwin THOMAS  
 Simon TING  
 Warren TRAC  
 David VIEN  
 Jason WONG  
 Caly YANG  
 Simin YANG  
 Alex YEUNG

**Year 10– Semester 1**

Michael CHEN  
 Michael COUTTS  
 Edward DENG  
 Howard FAN  
 Moussa FARHAT  
 Reuben GEORGE  
 Jourdan HSIAO  
 David HU  
 Sriram JEYARAMAN  
 Maximilian KELDOULIS  
 Aditya KESWANI  
 Amadeus KLOCKER  
 David KUMAGAYA  
 Clement LEE  
 Kevin LEE  
 Jeffrey LEUNG

Samson LOU  
 John LUU  
 Anthony MORRIS  
 Albert NG  
 Trong NGUYEN  
 Victor NGUYEN  
 Ji-Kwang PARK  
 Blaise PRENTICE-  
 DAVIDSON  
 Raymond ROCA  
 Michael SHEN  
 Wen SHI  
 Matthew SIN  
 Ravi SOMANCHI  
 Steven SONG  
 Eugene STADNIK  
 Jamie TAO  
 Nguyen TRAN  
 Alexander  
 VERTOUDAKIS  
 Anthony WAN  
 Siyang WANG  
 Li WU  
 Louis YANG  
 Richard YANG  
 Edward YAO  
 Kelvin YU

**Year 10– Semester 2**

Michael CHEN  
 Patrick CHEN  
 Edward DENG  
 Howard FAN  
 Moussa FARHAT  
 Matthew FETHERSTON  
 Reuben GEORGE  
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 Richard LIU  
 Bernard LO  
 Angelo LU  
 Kevin MAK  
 Gajaba MANAMPERI  
 Julian MURRAY  
 Nicholas NG  
 Rory PEARSON  
 Edward PHAM  
 Vinh PHAM  
 Jack PHU  
 Weir QIAN  
 Labib RAHMAN  
 Mushfiq RAHMAN

Malik RAZEEN  
 Thariq RAZEEN  
 Mark SAMARASINGHE  
 Chong SHAO  
 Sahir SYED  
 Miruthulan  
 THAYAPARAN  
 Senthil  
 THILLAINADESAN  
 Christopher TO  
 Paul TRAN  
 Tanvir UDDIN  
 Kaivan VAIDYA  
 Evans WANG  
 Ashan WIJEYARATNE  
 Alan WONG  
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 Nelson WONG  
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 George ZHANG  
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 Varun DESAI  
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 SAMARAWEERA  
 Rakshinder SANGHA  
 Anik SARKAR  
 Mitchell SEOW  
 Sanjiv SINGARAYAR  
 Victor SIRINOPAKUL  
 Mischa STEEN  
 Atif Zaki SYED

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 Olivier DELARUELLE  
 Varun DESAI  
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 Sriharsha PUTHI  
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 Rajeevan  
 YOGANATHAN  
 Ronald YU  
 John ZHANG  
 Alexander-Vasil  
 ZINZOPOULOS

## Anzac Day Assembly, 6 April 2005

Distinguished guests, Major-General Jim Norrie, Lieutenant-Colonel Angus Bell, staff and students. Welcome to our annual Anzac Day Assembly. The purpose of this state sponsored ceremony is to honour those who have died in this country's wars or in international conflicts affecting our citizens. This is one of the most important educational events that is seen by governments as an opportunity to inculcate or reinforce values of patriotism and civic duty. Recently, nine values for Australian schooling were published by the Australian Government. Most of the nine are exemplified by the people and circumstances we recall and honour at this assembly. Today I want to remind you of three of these: freedom, integrity and responsibility. We see freedom in terms of enjoyment of the rights and privileges of Australian citizenship, without unnecessary interference or control by governments or interest groups. Freedom is also about standing up for the rights of others. Australians have a long history of putting themselves in harm's way for other people's causes. To have integrity is to act in accordance with principles of moral and ethical conduct, to ensure a consistency between words and deeds. What greater congruence between saying and doing could be exhibited by anyone compared to service personnel who give up the most precious thing they own – their lives- in the service of their country? To be responsible is to be accountable for one's own actions, to contribute to society and civic life, to resolve differences constructively and peacefully and to take care of the environment. One of the most important reasons for having this assembly is to forcefully demonstrate to you all through reconstructing military events of the past the ultimate futility of warfare as a policy option and to reinforce international responsibility as the foundation upon which to build resolution of disputes between nations.

The thousands of Anzac Day ceremonies in schools around the country are exercises in nation building. Despite the fact that they can be held quite a while before the event, these occasions are valued for their contribution to the establishment of Australian culture in school students, our future citizens and policy makers.

Today it is tragically appropriate to broaden our contemplations about courage and self-sacrifice,

about freedom, integrity and responsibility, not only in order to recall the lives and feats of the fallen in Australia's wars but also to acknowledge and admire the efforts of our serving armed services personnel on international duty on peace keeping missions or disaster relief operations and humanitarian aid reconstruction assignments. Just yesterday we witnessed the moving spectacle of flag-draped coffins being unloaded as nine casualties of an earthquake relief operation on Nias were brought home to their families. Two heads of state and military personnel from Indonesia and Australia were there to pay their respects and express their condolences to the bereaved.

Individuals are sometimes forced to pay the greatest price for their commitment to Australia's sense of international responsibility. Whether on duty to help restore law and order in the Solomons or flying missions with our forces in Iraq, or on coalition peacekeeping duties, Australian are acting with integrity, defending freedom and showing responsibility – and dying for us in the process. This assembly and Anzac Day remembrance services to come are necessary annual events to make us pause and look at the big picture and be aware of what others are doing for our nation. We need to show our respect. We do acknowledge and admire their efforts. As a society we have compassion for others. Our huge national response to the Tsunami Appeal showed how generous and internationally oriented our society can be. We realise how fortunate we are. Australia is a leading nation in the region. We are relatively affluent. We see that our help is sorely needed. We have not forgotten cyclone Tracy and the Newcastle earthquake.

We have a collective sense of the possible plight of people whose families, residences and livelihoods have been suddenly, violently and inexplicably taken away by the forces of nature. It is the innocence of their situation and the mystery of natural phenomena that strike a chord with us. We have the means to help and to make a difference.

Australians have a right to be proud of their country and to celebrate the nation on Anzac Day. It is a most uncomplicated national commemoration of self-sacrifice and national service. Here in the Great Hall we keep a roll of honour publicly displayed for those from our school who gave their lives for this

country. It is fitting that we place a wreath beneath their names each year, lest we forget what they did for us. Today's school ceremony should not be seen by any student as a substitute for participation in Anzac Day itself. High will be represented again by its marching band. I hope that you will get along to a local service in your community or support the march in various localities. We need to be proactive on our national days. Let all High boys try to exemplify the values of freedom, integrity and responsibility in their broadest interpretation. Let's try to be in thought and word what so many have been forced by history to prove by deed in personal sacrifice –Australian patriots.

**Dr K A Jaggard**



# Remembrance Day 11 November 2005

At 11.00 am on 11 November 1918 the guns of the western front fell silent, after four years of continuous warfare. Over the preceding four months the allied armies had driven the German forces back, inflicting heavy defeats upon them, until in November the Germans called for an armistice and accepted the allied terms of unconditional surrender.

In the post war years, Armistice Day – the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month – attained special significance. The moment when hostilities ceased on the western front became universally associated with those who had died in the war. This first modern war had brought about the mobilisation of over 70 million people and left between 9 and 13 million dead. For Australia the First World War remains the most costly conflict ever. From a population of fewer than five million, 300,000 men enlisted, of which 61,919 died and over 156,000 were wounded or taken prisoner. With

casualties of this magnitude, few Australian families were left unscathed – most lost fathers, husbands, sons, daughters or friends. No one was left untouched by the horror of this war.

Today we are fattered to mark the 87th commemoration of Remembrance Day. Over the past 86 years Remembrance Day has evolved from a day marking the sacrifices made by Australians in World War One, to a day that is set aside to remember the sacrifices of all men and women who have died or suffered serving Australia in war. It is a day set aside to remember the 100,000 Australian soldiers, sailors, airmen and servicewomen who remain where they fell, fighting to defend our ideals and beliefs, on every continent and in every ocean of the world.

The legacy of these remembered soldiers is the peace and freedom we enjoy today. The continuation of our way of life is their gift to all current and future Australians. Thus Remembrance





Day is a day to be thankful for the tranquillity of our nation, and a day to renew our efforts to make sure that it remains that way. A day to pray that no future generation again has to make that ultimate sacrifice in order to protect what we all hold dear.

The soldiers who have fought for Australia in conflicts – the world wars, Korea, Vietnam, in peacekeeping missions in East Timor, and more recently the war on Terrorism – served and are serving to defend our nation, and the ideals of freedom and justice that we all value. They, like all soldiers from all countries, answered a call to protect their children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren. To protect their freedoms, which they valued with a supreme price, freedoms which we take for granted. While history determines the right and wrongs of war, these judgements apply only to leaders, not to the soldiers on the ground, not to the soldiers who simply did their duty for their country. It is for this reason that we feel an equal sorrow for every person who has fallen in war, and irrespective of side, we mourn the loss of humanity, the suffering that each individual life lost brings to those left behind, sitting at home waiting for loved ones who will never return.

Remembrance Day is a day to remember all those lost in war. But more than that it is a day for us to think about how we can honour the sacrifices of

these noble Australians who lived their lives in deeds, not years. So how can we do this?

The answer is simple. By remembering the sacrifices made, on days such as this. By being grateful for the freedoms and peace their sacrifices achieved, and by defending these with the utmost of our ability. In the world currently, with the perceived threat of terrorism threatening to spark new conflicts, and place limitations upon our freedoms, we must ensure that our actions do not compromise the peace and freedom given to us by those Australian soldiers who gave their lives for this country. If our experiences of war have taught us anything, it is that war is a tragic waste, felt by all humanity, and we must do our utmost to avoid conflict. We owe the fallen our best efforts to ensure that their sacrifice need never be repeated, and need never be in vain.

Thus today, on the 87th Remembrance Day, we gather here to recognise what we have lost, and what we have gained, through the sacrifices of those who have fallen defending our nation, and the ideals and freedoms it embodies. By today's act of remembrance, we cherish and nurture their gift, and renew our pledge to remember, ensuring that their sacrifice was not in vain.

**Sam Gribble**

# Salvete

The following boys have joined the school since the end of 2004. We wish them well in their endeavours.

## YEAR 7

### Class 7E

ADEL Nema, AMBROSE Michael, AYLNER Liam, BASTABLE Jimari, BAWEJA Puneet, CHANT Lachlan, CHEN Barry, DARCY Sam, DAVENPORT Tadeusz, DEACON Gareth, GHOSE Anirban, JIAN Brian, KHUU Bao, KOERBER Alex, LI Tian Yu, LOW Alan, MA Robert, MACEFIELD Julius, MCCREA-STEEL Declan, MOHAN Vithushan, MOLLOY Timothy, PARAMESWARAN Allen, PAUL Antony, PHILLIS Maxwell, SAUNDERS Alexander, SHARGORODSKY Gregory, SUTTON Joshua, UMBERS Campbell, VI Harry, WHITING James, WONG Christopher, WORMELL John.

### Class 7F

BANH Andrew, BOULAVINE Vlad, CHEN Dale, CHOWDHURY Nafiz, COHN Rikky, GOU Andrew, GUO Austyn, HE Jia, HUANG Hugh, KARUNAKARAN Hareshan, LAI Patrick, LEE James, LI Merlin, LIU Laurence, LUO Daniel, MORGAN Daniel, NGUYEN Chris, NGUYEN Nam, PAPERNY Daniel, QIU Edward, SANDHU Sameep, SOROKA Benjamin, SU Kai, TRAN Aaron, VU James, WONG Evan, WU Kevin, ZHANG Adrian, ZHANG Michael I.

### Class 7M

CHEUNG Brendan, DENNY-SMITH George, DU Jonathan, GABO Ariel, GEORGE Adarsh, GOH Vincent, HAN James, HO Aaron, JIANG Clinton, KIM Sean, LATTO Duncan, LAU Andy, LI Benjamin, LU Hong, MORENO Mario, NAIR Joshua, O'ROURKE Brendan, PHAM John, SIMOS Paul, SIVASUBRAMANIAM Rehan, SMITH-LIGHT Daniel, SREETHARAN Dylan, SUN Edward, TRAN Tony, TUGNAIT Mohit, WAN Wei, WANG Tony, WONG Erick, XIE Andy, YUNG Scott.

### Class 7R

BI Richard, BLOMBERG Andrew, BRAVERMAN Joseph, CHAN Justin, DING Jason, DO Michael, FENG Alex, FENG Eric, FIO Oliver, FONG Matthew, GAO Jun, GU David, HSIAO Patrick, HUI Enoch, KAMAL Rafat, KELLY Brian, KIM Daniel, LAM Jeffrey, LI Frank, MCKAY Caillin, RADHAKRISHNAN Pravin, SHENG Kevin, SLINKO Nikita, TALEB Moustafa, TAYLOR Kieran, TIN-LOI Christopher, TRANG Derek, UBALDI Julian, ZHANG David.

### Class 7S

ACLIS John, ALI Shadman, CARR Michael, CASTILLO Juan, CHAN Gareth, ENCEL Benjamin, GORDON Leo, HAJJ Justin, KUMAR Shejil, LEE Michael, LEE William, LI Ivan, LI Lawrence, LIN Richard, LIU Yixin, MA David, NGUYEN Jim, PERERA Kishan, RAMESH Ashwin, SANTUCCI Walter, SCHILLING Hayden, SILVEIRA Tony, TOOHEY James, TRAN David, VO Vinh, WANG Guoxi, WANG Nelson, XIAO Tony, YOON Stephen, ZHUANG Harry.

### Class 7T

CABANILLA Brandon, CHAU Clarence, CHAWLA Angud, CHEN James, CHIEM Andy, GUO Zaine, GWYN Wytan, HUANG Daniel, JIANG Jeffery, KUGENDRAN Abhinayan, LEE John, LIANG Justin, LIU Andy, LU Ian, LU Robert, LY Benjamin, NG Aaron, NIU Guangzhi, PHUNG Matthew, POON Jacky, THYAGARAJU Ankush, TRAN Harry, WANG Leon, WANG Michael, WU Andrew, WU Oliver, YAN Bailey, YAN Ding, ZHANG Michael, ZHENG Kun.

## YEAR 8

STREET Neil.

## YEAR 9

DANG Viet, SUGITO Stuart, VITHANAGE Dasith.

## YEAR 10

KELLY Mitchell, ROBSON Samuel.

## YEAR 11

AKINCI Burak, AMIN Ali, BARKER James, CARROLL Mark, CHAN Gary, CHEEMA Sadaat, CHENG Ashley, CHOWDHURY Rifat, CURRAN Edward, FERNANDO Shane, FRISOLI Holden, FUKUSHIMA Hiroshi, FUNG Kaloon, HAN Joshua, HANNAN Nicholas, QUAZI Tauseef, MASALEHDANI Michael, SAVIT Gabriel, SAVIT Quinn, SHIEH George, SONG Daniel, SUKUMAR Amalesh, WAN Mack, WANG Teddy, WELANGODA Dylan, ZHANG George, ZHOU Yi, ZHOU Yi Fei, ZHOU Mi.

## YEAR 12

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## Abbreviations

ACO: Australian Chemistry Olympiad  
AMC: Australian Mathematics Competition  
APO: Australian Physics Olympiad  
ASCSC: Australian Schools Computer Studies Competition  
ASEC: Australian Schools English Competition  
ASMC: Australian Schools Maths Competition  
ASSC: Australian Schools Science Competition  
ASWC: Australian Schools Writing Competition  
BSC: Business Studies Competition  
D: Distinction  
GC: Geography Competition  
HD: High Distinction  
ICB: Intermediate Concert Band  
ISB: Intermediate Stage Band

JCB: Junior Concert Band  
JSB: Junior Stage Band  
MCYA: Mathematics Challenge for Young Australians  
MCS: Maths Challenge Stage  
NCQ: National Chemistry Quiz  
SCB: Senior Concert Band  
SE: String Ensemble  
SRC: Student Representative Council (School Union)  
SSB: Senior Stage Band  
SWE: Symphonic Wind Ensemble  
TCB: Training Concert Band  
UNSWMC: UNSW Maths Competition  
Wessta NSW GC: Wessta NSW Geography Competition  
YA: Young Achievers

## ALAM Munir:

**ALI Tahseen:** The Michael Goodwin Memorial Prize (05) for courage in the face of adversity; Wessta NSW GC (HD 02); AMC (D 02); GPS Cricket (03-04).

**AMION Ralph:** Peer Support Leader; Percussionist in Music Program (00-04); SWE (03); ASEC (HD 01, D 02-03); ASSC (D 02); ASCSC (D 02); AMC (D 03); Soccer (00-05); Music Pocket (04); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets .

## BALGAHOM Fahmy:

**BARI Ridan Ul:** Peer Support Leader (03); Peer Mediator (04); SRC (04-05); Prefect (05); Drama (03-05); AMC (HD 00-01, 04; D 02-03); ASSC (HD 02; D 00, 03-04); ASEC (HD 00); NCQ (HD 01, 03; D 04); Rugby (00-05); 2nd XV – Rugby (05); Basketball (00-03); Fundraising – Jeans for Genes, Youth Off the Streets.

## BODROZIC Dejan:

**BROWN James:** Peer Support Leader; French Horn (00-04); SWE (03); Debating (02-05); Gold Medallion; Duke of Edinburgh Program (02-03); NCQ (HD 02); GC (HD 02-03); ASEC (HD 03); ASWC (HD 03); ASCSC (D 01); AMC (D 01, 03); Music Pocket (03); Rowing (00-05); Second IV Rowing (04-05); Captain of IVs (05); CHS Regattas (03-05 – 3 silvers, five bronze); Soccer (00-01); Rugby (03).

**BULL Nicholas:** Prefect (05); Peer Support Leader (03); French Horn (AMEB 5th grade); School Music Program (00-04); SWE (02-04); SCB; Orchestra (03-04); GPS Orchestra (04); Sydney Boys High Trophy; Caltex All-Rounder Award (05); Academic Merit List (00-05); AMC 00, 03-04); ASSC (HD 00-03); NCQ (HD 03); GC (HD 02); ASEC (HD 02); Music Pocket; Cricket (00-05); Rugby (00-05); Captain 3rd XV Rugby; Soccer (02); Sailing (02-03).

**CAI Frank:** P & C Prize for 2nd place Year 11 (04); K Saxby Prize for Mathematics; Prize for Mathematics Extension 1, J Manchester Prize for Biology; 1st Science (02); 1st Latin (01-02); 1st Classical Greek (00-01); AMC (HD 01, 05; D 00, 02-03); MCYA (HD 03); NCQ (HD 01-04); GC (HD 02); J L Williams Maths Search Competition (D 04); ASSC (D 01-03, 05); ASEC (D 01, 03); ASCSC (D 01-02); Australian Intermediate Mathematics Olympiad (Credit 03); Mathematics Challenge Enrichment Stage (Credit 02).

**CHAN Henry:** ICB (00-0); SCB (02-03); Gold Medallion; AMC (HD 00, 03; D 01); ASEC (D 01); ASSC (D 01, 03-04); GC (D 03); NCQ (D 01); Music Pocket (03); Soccer (00-04); Rowing (02-04); Fundraising – Youth Off the Streets.

**CHAN John:** Peer Support Leader (03); Student Librarian; ASCSC (D 03); ASSC (D 03); ASEC (D 01-03); Basketball; Soccer; Fundraising – Youth Off the Streets.

**CHAN Toby:**

**CHAU Anthony:** Sydney Boys High Special Award; 1st Music (02-03); Honours Violin (AMEB 8th grade 02); Hours Musicianship (AMEB 6th grade 03); SE (00-03: Quartet (03-04); Symphony Orchestra (02-03); Concert Master (04); 1st Violin Sydney Youth Orchestra (02-05); 1st Violin Schools Spectacular Orchestra (02-03); AMC (HD 03; D 01-02, 05); ASCSC (D 01-02); GC (HD 02-03); NSW Geography Competition (HD 02); ASSC (D 00, 02); NCQ (D 01-02); Year 10 Musician; Music Pocket (03); GPS Cricket (00-02); Tennis (0103); Soccer (03-05); Chess (00-05); Team member of Opens team who won NSW State and Australian Schools Chess Championships (04); Fundraising – Youth Off the Streets, UNICEF.

**CHEN Christopher:** AMC (HD 02; D 00-01); Soccer (00-02); Cricket (00-01); Basketball (03-05); Captain of undefeated Basketball team (04-05 season); Rugby (04-05); Fundraising – Youth Off the Streets.

**CHEN Henry:** Peer Support Leader (03); Big Brother Program (03); Silver Medallion; ICB (01); SCB (02-03); SWE (04); AMC (HD 02); GC (HD 02); ASSC (HD 02, D 01, 03); ASCSC (D 02); NCQ (D 04); Basketball (03-05); Cross Country (04-05).

**CHEN James:** AMC (D 01-02); NCQ (D 01); GC (D 03); ASSC (D 03); Cross Country (01-05); GPS Cross Country (00, 02-05); 1st Grade Cross Country (05); Basketball (03-05); Cricket (00-02); Fundraising – Youth Off the Streets.

**CHEUNG Jason:** Peer Support Leader (03); Prefect (05); Music Program (00-05); SSB (03); SWE (02); Gold Medallion; NCQ (HD 03); AMC (D 00-01, 03); ASCSC (D 02); ASSC (D 00); Music Pocket (03); GPS Basketball (00-05); Soccer (02-03); Cross Country (04); Fundraising – Youth Off the Streets.

**CHEUNG Louis:** (2004-2005): 2nd Mathematics Extension 1 (04); 2nd Chemistry (04); NCQ (HD 04); AMC (Prize 04); Soccer (04); 5th grade Tennis (04-05); Fundraising – Jeans for Genes, Youth Off the Streets.

**CHOI Daniel:**

**CHUNG Hae-Sang:** SRC (00); Peer Support Leader (03); Recycling Committee (03); School Band (00-01); Classical Piano (8 level with A Honours awarded by The International Music Examinations Board); Musicianship (5th Grade with A Honours – AMEB); Sydney Boys High School Special Award; Academic Merit List (00-05); 3rd Modern History (04) (accelerant); 1st Geography (03); 1st History (03); 2nd Mathematics (02); AMC (Prize 00, 02; D 03); NCQ (HD 03-04); MCYA (HD 03); ASSC (D 03, 05); ASEC (D 03); Basketball (00-05); Soccer (01-03); 2nd Grade Cross Country (05); Fundraising – Jeans for Genes, Youth Off the Streets.

**CLAYTON David:**

**CLEGG William:** SRC (00-02); Peer Support Leader (03); Prefect (05); Badges Committee (00-04); Music Program; School Band (00-03); Debating (00-05); Member of runner-up team in Commonwealth Bank Junior Competition 903; Member of winning team for the Karl Cramp Competition (04); 2nd GPS competition (05); 2nd Grade GPS Debating Team (undefeated); Top 10 in NSW in Schools History Competition (03: Debater of the Year (03); Sydney Boys High School Trophy; Peter H Cappe Memorial Prize (2005); Arch Fergusson Prize (01-02); Music Leadership Award (01); Music Pocket (03); Dr Joseph Suttie Debating Award for Excellence in Teamwork (05); Most Efficient Junior Non Commissioned Officer (03) and Senior Non Commissioned Officer (04); Rowing (00-05); AAGPS Head of the River – 2nd VIII (04-05); Rugby (00-05); 2nd XV (04); Senior Under Officer – Cadet Unit (05); Gardening Team (00-05); Promotion of School's heritage; Fundraising.

**COHEN Alon:**

**CONWAY Cameron:**

**CRADOCK Simon:** Peer Support Leader (03); Prefect (05); McKay House Captain; Music Program (00-03); 1st Business Studies (04); PWC Australian Business Studies Competition (HD 05); GC (HD 03; D 04-05); AMC (D 04); ASEC (D 03); Sydney Boys High School Plaque; GPS Old Boys Council of NSW Prize (04); John Waterhouse Prize (05); Duke of Edinburgh Awards Scheme – Silver Award (05); School Blue – Sailing (05); Class of 2001 prize for Outdoor Education (02-03); Colonel Duffy Sword of Honour (04); Soccer (00, 03-05); 2nd XI (04); 2nd XI Captain (04); 1st XI Vice Captain (05); 1st XI (05); Soccer; 16A Soccer Captain (03);

Basketball (00-03); 1st Grade Sailing (03-05); Captain of Sailing (05); Swim Team (02-05); Cadet Unit (01-05); Senior CUO, Fundraising (00-05).

**DAKDOK Ibrahim:** (2004-2005): SRC (05); Charities Committee; AMC (HD 02-03); ASEC (HD 01); Australian Schools Mathematics Assessment (D 02-03); NCQ (D 03); GC (D 03); Rugby (04-05); 2nd XV (04); 1st XV (04-05); Basketball (04-05); Cross Country (04); Rotary District Model United Nations Assembly (04); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.

**DAM Alan:** Peer Support Leader (04); Prefect (05); Big Brother mentor (03); The Record Committee (03); Music Program (00-03); SCB (02-03); 1st Engineering Studies (04); Sydney Boys High Trophy; John Francis Bush Memorial Prize (04); AMC (HD 01-04); ASEC (HD 03; D 01-02); ASSC (HD 01-03; D 00, 04); NCQ (HD 02-03); GC (HD 02-03); ASCSC (D 02-03); Rowing (02-05); 2nd VIII (04); Rugby (00-04); 2nd XV (04); Athletics (04); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.

**DE SILVA Vishan:** (2004-2005): SRC; Archives Committee: Bronze Medallion; NCQ (D 04); Cricket (04-05); 2nd XI (04); Fundraising - Jeans for Genes, Heart Foundation Doorknock Appeal; Youth Off the Streets.

**DELARUELLE Olivier:** Peer Support Leader (04); Prefect (05); ICB (00-02); Gold Medallion; 2nd French; 2nd Ancient History; AMC (D 00, 03); NCQ (D 03); ASEC (D 00, 02-03); Australian Language Certificate - French (D 04); Academic Achievement List (03, 05); Rowing (00-05); 2nd VIII (04-05); GPS Athletics (00-04); Athletics (00-03); Cross Country (00-03).

**DESAI Varun:** (2004-2005): Silver Medallion; Rio Tinto Australian Chemistry Olympiad (HD 04); NCQ (HD 04); Tennis (04); Fundraising - Jeans for Genes, Youth Off the Streets.

**DOBRIINSKY Savva:** Peer Support Leader (03); Peer Mediation Leader (04); Music Program (00-05); SCB, Woodwind Ensemble; SWE; Orchestra; 1st Clarinet - Combined GPS Orchestra (04); Debating (00-03); Sydney Boys High Trophy; Best Musician (01); Music Pocket (03); Soccer (00-03); Rugby (04); Rowing (01-04); 1st Grade Cross Country (05); Chess; Inter-Schools Chess Tournament (04); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.

#### **DOMESHOK Stan:**

**DOMNI Victor:** SRC (05); Silver Medallion; AMC (HD 00-02; D 03-04); ASEC (HD 01; D 00, 02-03); ASSC (D 01-03); GC (D 01-03); Basketball (00-05); Captain - Basketball (00-03); 1st Grade Vice Captain - Basketball (04-05); represented Metropolitan Sydney with the Sydney Comets Basketball Association (00-04); Soccer (00-05); Vice Captain - Soccer (01-03).

#### **DORAN Yaegan:**

**DOU David:** Bronze Medallion; AMC (Prize 00; HD 03; D 02); ASSC (HD 01; D 00, 03); ASEC (HD 03; D 01-02); GC (HD 02); NCQ (D 01-02); Volleyball (01-05); 2nd Grade Volleyball (03-05); member of undefeated Volleyball GPS Champions team (03-05); Inter-school volleyball tournaments; member of gold winning team in the NSW Schools Cup (01) and Metro Schools Cup (02); member of silver winning team in the NSW Schools Cup (03); member of bronze winning team in the NSW Schools Cup (02); Cricket (00-02); Basketball (03-05).

**DU Johnny:** (2004-2005): ASSC (D 04).

**FAN Jimmy:** Peer Support Leader (03); Music Program (00-05); School Concert Band (02-03); SWE (04); 2nd Design and Technology (02-03); 3rd French (02); AMC (D 02, 05); Tennis (00-05); Soccer (02-05); Captain 14Bs Soccer (02); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.

**FONG Gary:** Gold Medallion; ASCSC (Medal 01; D 00, 02-04); ASEC (HD 01, 03; D 02); NCQ (HD 02-03); GC (HD 03); AMC (D 00-03); ASSC (D 00-03); GPS Athletics (04); Melbourne Uni-Summit (04); the Model United Nations Assembly (04); the CSIRO Student Research Scheme (03); History Debating (03); Cadets (02-03).

**FONG Jamie:** AMC (HD 00-02); NCQ (HD 00); ASSC (HD 00-01, 03); GC (D 02-03); ASCSC (D 03); Soccer (00-03); Tennis (00-03); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets, Jeans for Genes.

**FONSEKA Damitha:** School Captain (05); Sydney Boys High Trophy; JM and WG Forsythe Memorial Prize (03); Oswald Chapman Memorial Prize (05); AMC (HD 03; D 00); NCQ (HD 01, 04; D 03); ASSC (HD 00, 02; D 04); MCYA (HD 02; D 02); ASCSC (D 03); ASEC (D 00-01); Cricket Blue (05); 1st XI Cricket (02-05); Captain

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1st XI Cricket (05); GPS combined 1st XI (05); 2nd XV Rugby (04); 1st XV Rugby (05); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.

**FRAZI Nathan:** Academic Achievement List (03, 05); GC (HD 02); NCQ (D 02-03); ASEC (D 01-02); AMC (D 03); Cricket (00-02); 2nd XI (04-05); Tennis (02-04); Soccer (00-05); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets, Lifeline.

**GEORGE Vineeth:** Peer Mediation Leader (04); Bronze Medallion; AMC (HD 03; D 01-02, 04); ASEC (HD 00-01, 03; D 02); ASSC (HD 01; D 00, 02-04); GC (HD 02-03); ASCSC (D 02-03); Soccer; Cricket (00-04); Vice Captain of the 2000 premiership winning Trans-Harbour Trophy; 3rd XI Captain (04); Fundraising – Daffodil Day, Jeans for Genes Day, Youth Off the Streets.

**GORDON Peter:** Peer Support Leader (03); Prefect (05); SCB (00-05); SSB (00-05); Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme (Bronze); P & C Prize for Outstanding Contribution to the Concert Band; Gold Medallion; Academic Merit List (01); GC (HD 03); ASCSC (HD 03); ASEC (D 00-01); AMC (D 01-01); NCQ (D 01, 03); GPS Cricket (02-05); Rifle Shooting (01-05); 2nd grade Rifle Shooting (02-03); 1st grade Rifle Shooting (04-05); Club and Team Captain – Rifle Shooting (05); Cadet Unit – Staff Sergeant; Member of Australian Defence Force Cadet Rifle Team tours to England (02, 04).

**GOUGH Jack:** SRC (00-02); Peer Support Leader (03); Prefect (05); Music Program (00-03); SWE (01); Gold Medallion; Music Pocket (03); School Blue – Sailing (05); AMC (HD 00; D 01); NCQ (HD 01); GC (HD 03); ASSC (D 00); ASEC (D 01); Soccer (00-05); 2nd grade Soccer (04); 1st grade Soccer (05); Sailing (01-05); CHS regatta (02-03); winner – Inter-schools Tri-series (05); Swim team (00-03); Outdoor Program (00-03); Tournament of Minds (02); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets, 40 Hour Famine.

### GRECH David:

**GREENUP David:** Music Program (00-02); SCB (01); SWE (02); 2nd English Extension 1 (05); 2nd Study of Empires (03); AMC (HD 01-03; D 00); ASEC (HD 03; D 01-02); NCQ (HD 01); ASSC (D 00, 03); GC (D 03); Soccer (00-04); 1st XI (05); A-grade Basketball (03); 2nd grade Basketball (04-5); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets, Stewart House.

### GRIMM Dominic:

**GUO Daniel:** Peer Support Leader (03); Small Group Vocal (00-03); School Choir (00-04); 3rd grade 0 Practice of Singing (04); Bronze Medallion; AMC (Prize 02; HD 01, 04; D 00, 03); ASEC (D 01-02); NCQ (HD 02; D 04); ASSC (HD 00; D 01-05); Australian Schools Economics Competition (Prize 05); GC (HD 02-03); Soccer (01-04); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.

**GUO Randal:** Peer Support Leader (03); Gold Medallion; 1st Chinese Continuers (03); Academic Achievement List (03-05); AMC (D 00, 02); 2nd grade Cross Country (04-05); Basketball; Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.

### GUTNIK Gabriel:

#### HA James:

**HALLS Cameron:** Music Program (00-03); SWE (02-03); SSB (02-03); Music Pocket; Gold Medallion; ASEC (HD 03; D 01); GC (HD 02; D 02-03); NCQ (HD 01); AMC (D 00-01, 03-04); ASSC (D 02, 05); GPS Soccer (00-05); A Team (00-03); Captain – 4th grade Soccer (04-05); GPS Swimming (00-05); CHS Swimming (00-05); NSW State Swimming Championships (02-05); 1st grade Sailing (02-05); 1st place – Pacer division (04); Fundraising – Youth Off the Streets.

**HAN Jack:** Dux – Legal Studies (04); Dux – English Extension (04); 2nd – Economics (04); Academic Achievement List (03-04); NCQ (HD 01, 04); AMC (HD 00-01; 02-03); ASSC (HD 00; D 02); ASEC (D 02-03); ASCSC (D 01); GC (D 03); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.

**HANSRA Balraj:** (2004-2005): Archives Committee (04); Bronze Medallion; NCQ (D 04); 2nd grade Volleyball (05); Cricket (04-05); Athletics (04); Fundraising – Red Cross, Jeans for Genes, Youth Off the Streets, Legacy.

**HE Yang:** Music Program (00-03); SCB (03); 2nd – Extension 1 Mathematics (05); 4th Extension 2 Mathematics (05); AMC (D 03); ASSC (D 02); GC (D 03); Basketball (00-05); Vice Captain – 3rd grade Basketball; Rugby (02-04); Fundraising – Legacy, Jeans for Genes, Youth Off the Streets.

**HOLLOWAY John:**

**HONG Walter:**

**HUA Li-Bin:** 3rd grade Piano (AMEB Honours 01); 5th grade Piano (05); 4th – Business Studies (04-05); GC (HD 02-03); Westpac Australian Mathematics Competition (D 00-04); ASEC (D 00, 02); ASEC (D 03); NCQ (D 01-02); Basketball (00-05); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.

**HUANG Peter:**

**HWAN Albert:** SRC (05); AMC (D 00-03); NCQ (D 01, 04); ASEC (D 01); ASSC (D 03); GC (D 03); Young Achievers Awards Business Program - Marketing Director (04); Cross Country (00-02); GPS Basketball (02-05); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.

**ISLAM Anisul:** 1st – Technical Drawing; GC (D 00); AMC (D 01, 03); ASEC (D 01); NCQ (D 02); Cricket (00-05); Captain – 3rd XI (04-05); Volleyball (01, 03-05); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets; Big Brother Program (03); Gardening (02-04); Recycling (02-03).

**JAMES Jeremy:** SRC (01-04); Peer Support Leader (03); House Captain (04); House Clerk (04); Prefect (05); Charities Committee (02-04); Sydney Boys High Special Award; 1958 Merit Award; Rowing (03-05); Cross Country (04-05); GPS Athletics (00-05); Rugby (00-05); Development and construction of mosaic wall for the school sculpture garden (04); Fundraising – Salvation Army, Shave for a Cure.

**JIANG Rowland:**

**JONG Jeffrey:** ASCSC (Medal 01); NCQ (HD 02-04); ASSC (HD 01, 04; D 00, 02, 05); AMC (D 00-04); ASEC (D 01-03); Tennis (01-04); Fundraising – new school library, Youth Off the Streets.

**JUNG William:**

**KALDOR Thomas:** School Vice Captain (05); Peer Support Leader (03); SRC (00-02); Music Program (00-03); Music Pocket (03); Sydney Boys High Trophy; (05); K J Andrews Award (05); Debating (00-05); Member of 1st grade Debating team who were runners-up in the Commonwealth Bank Junior Competition (03); member of winning team – Karl Cramp competition (04); 2nd GPS Debating Premiership (05); CHS representative debating team (04-05); State debating squad (05); Best Debater Award (05); Legacy Junior Public Speaking Award State Final (02); Academic Merit List (05); Soccer (00-05); Athletics (00-05); Rowing (00-05); GPS Head of the River (03-05); Cross Country (00, 05); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.

**KANG James:** (2004-2005): Librarian (04); SRC (05); GPS Combined Orchestra (05); Music Pocket (05); Bronze Medallion; Academic Merit List (04-05); NCQ (HD 04); AMC (D 04); Soccer (04-05); 1st grade Waterpolo (05); Model United Nations Assembly (04).

**KARIAWASAM Peshala:** Peer Mediator (04); Prefect (05); School Chamber Choir (00-03); Music Pocket (03); Sydney Boys High Trophy; AMC (Prize 01; HD 00, 02-03; D 04); ASSC (D 00, 02); GC (HD 03); Rugby (04); Cricket (00-05); 1st XI (03-05); Vice-Captain 1st XI (05); Athletics (04); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets; Jeans for Genes.

**KARUNARATNE Shehan:** (2004-2005): Cricket (04-05); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.

**KHALIL Mohsin:** (2002-2005): Peer Support Leader (03); Peer Mediator (04); ASCSC (D 03); ASEC (D 03); Cricket (02 -04); Soccer (02); Athletics (02); Chess (02); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.

**KIM Mikael:** Peer Support Leader (03); Big Brother Program (02); GPS Swimming (00-05); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.

**KOUCHAK Rodney:** Peer Support Leader (03); Peer Mediator (04); AMC (HD 00-02; D 04); GC (HD 03); NCQ (HD 03); 1st grade – Basketball (00-02); Rowing; Soccer (00-03); Captain – Soccer Team who won the Dolan Cup (03); Rugby (04-05); Boggabilla Cultural Exchange Program (04); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets, Jeans for Genes.

**KRAINDLER Joshua:** Peer Support Leader (03); Music Program (00-03); SCB; SSB; Music Pocket (03); Silver Medallion; Academic Merit List (05); Basketball; Soccer; Rugby; Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets, Jeans for Genes, Lifeline.

**KRUSZELNICKI Karl:** Hall Monitor (03-04); Peer Support Leader (03); SRC (including District - 01-03); School Council (04); Prefect (05); Captain of Boats (05); Music Program (00-03); Music Pocket (03); Debating (01-04); Sydney Boys High Trophy; Special Staff Prize (05); R K Levis Prize for English; 1st – History (Wars) (02); 1st – Design and Technology (01); Academic Merit List (00-05); NCQ (HD 01-03); Australian Schools Economic Competition (HD 04); ASSC (HD 02-03); ASEC (HD 02; D 03); AMC (D 00, 02-03); GC (D 03); School Blue – Rowing (05); Sydney East Blue – Rowing (05); School Blue – Volleyball (04); Sydney East Blue – Volleyball (04); Most Valuable Player – Volleyball (05); Rowing (00-05); 1st IV Rowing (04); 1st VIII Rowing (05); CHS Championship VIII and Pair (05); Rugby (00-03); Volleyball (03-05); 1st grade Volleyball (04-05); Member of GPS, CHS and State Volleyball Champions teams (05); Fundraising – Youth Off the Streets.

**KUMAR Raj:** Peer Support Leader (03); Music Program (00-04); Concert Master – Symphony Orchestra and Chamber Ensemble (03); Music Pocket (03); Silver Medallion; 1st – Music (01-02, 04-05); Musician of the Year (03-04); Academic Merit List (04-05); ASSC (D 03); AMC (D 01-02); NCQ (D 02, 04); ASCSC (D 02); Cricket (00-02, 05); Team Captain – Cricket (01); Soccer (01, 04-05); Team Captain - Soccer (05); Fundraising – Youth Off the Streets.

**KUMAR Shaheen:** Peer Support Leader (03); Prefect (05); Sydney Boys High School Plaque; 1st – Geography (03); Academic Merit list (00-05); AMC (HD 01-02, 04' D 00, 03); NCQ (HD 04; D 02); ASSC (D 02-03, 05); ASEC (D 02); GC (D 03); Cricket (00-05); Captain of 2nd XI (03-04); Captain 1st XI (04-05); Represented SBHS at the Australian Five Highs Cricket Carnival – Brisbane (04); Rugby (00-04); Fundraising – Youth Off the Streets.

**KWOK Ian:** Peer Support Leader (03); SRC (04); Prefect (05); Prefect of Basketball and Weights Room; Gold Medallion; A grade Rugby (01-04); 1st XV (04); Team Rugby Captain – (05); Rowing (03-04); Athletics (04); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets, Stewart House, Lifeline.

**KWOK Jamie:** (2004-2005): Soccer (05); Water Polo (05).

**KWOK William:** (1999-2005): Peer Support Leader (02: Prefect (05); Gold Medallion; 1st – French (04); 1st – Non-background Chinese (01); Sir Gary Eagle Prize (04); Rugby (02-05); First XV (04-05); Rowing (03-04); Basketball (99-02, 04-05); Student exchange to France – one year (02-03); Student exchange to China – 2 weeks (00); Fundraising – Youth Off the Streets, Jeans for Genes, Legacy, Candle Day.

**LAM Raymond:** Peer Support Leader (03); AMC (HD 04; D 00, 02-03); GC (HD 03); NCQ (D 02); ASSC (D 02, 04-05); ASCSC (D 02-03); GC (D 02); Soccer (01-05); Captain - 7th XI (04); Captain – 6th XI (05); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.

**LEE Hann:** Peer Support Leader (03); Big Brother Program (03); GC (HD 02; D 03); AMC (D 00-01, 03); ASSC (D 01); ASEC (D 02); Australian Language Certificates - Japanese Beginners Level (D 04-05); Basketball (00-05); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.

**LEE Jerry:** 3rd – Chinese (02); AMC (HD 00, 02); NCQ (HD 03); GC (HD 02); ASEC (D 00); ASSC (D 00, 04-05); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.

**LEONG Edward:** 1st – Non-background Chinese (01-03); ANC (D 04); AMC (D 04); GC (D 02); Volleyball (01-05); CHS Volleyball (01-03); 2nd grade GPS Volleyball (04-05); 2nd grade undefeated GPS Champions (05); 2nd grade Volleyball - Most Valuable Player (05); NSW Schools Cup Volleyball - Trophy (01-02); Metro Schools Cup Volleyball - Medal (01); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.

**LESTER William:** SRC; Peer Support Leader (03); Silver Medallion; GC (D 02); ASSC (D 02); NCQ (D 01); AMC (D 00); ASEC (D 03); GPS Soccer (00-05); Tennis (00-05); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.

**LI Jackson:** Peer Support Leader (03): Big Brother Program; ASCSC (Gold Medal 01); Basketball (00-05); Volleyball (01-05); National Schools Volleyball Championships – Melbourne; Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.

**LI Lixang:** Peer Support Leader (03); 2nd – Ancient History (04); ASCSC (Gold Medal 01; D 02, 04); AMC (HD 00; D 01-03); ACSC (HD 01); NCQ (HD 01; D 02); GC (HD 02-03); ASSC (D 00-02); Fencing (02-05); GPS Fencing (03-05); 1st grade Fencing (04); Captain – 1st grade Fencing (05); Fundraising – Youth Off the Streets.

**LI Michael:** Peer Mediation Leader (04); NCQ (D 01-02); ASEC (D 02); AMC (D 01, 04); Rifle Shooting Blue (03); 3rd – GPS Rifle Shooting (04); 2nd grade – Rifle Shooting Team (02); 1st grade - Rifle Shooting Team (03-04); Vice-Captain – 1st grade Rifle Shooting team (05); member of team winning GPS premiership (03).

**LI Nan:** ASCSC (Prize – 01); AMC (HD 00-01; D 02-03); ASSC (D 00); GC (D 02); NCQ (D 01); Basketball (03-05); Soccer (00-02); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.

**LIANG Charles:** 'A' (HD) – 5th grade Piano – AMEB (03); AMC (D 00-04); ASEC (D 02); CHS Volleyball (00-02); National Schools Volleyball Championships – Melbourne; GPS Basketball (00-04); Chess (00-02); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.

**LIU Kevin:** (2001-2005): 2nd – Visual Arts (03-05); Silver Medallion; NCQ (HD 01-03); GC (HD 02; D 03); AMC (D 00, 03-04); ASSC (D 01, 03-04); ASCSC (D 01, 03); Cross Country (03-05); Sailing (05); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets, Jeans for Genes.

**LOPEZ Bertrand:** Peer Support Leader (03); Music Program; JSB; ISB; SSB; String Orchestra; Piano Trio; 8th grade AMEB practical examination; 6th grade musicianship examination (04); Bronze Medallion; NCQ (HD 04; D 01, 03); AMC (D 00-01, 03); ASSC (D 00, 02, 05); MCYA (D 02); Chess (01-03); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.

**LOU Michael:**

**LU Robert:** Peer Support Leader (03); Music Program (00-04); SWE (02); Sydney Boys High Plaque; School Blue – Volleyball (05); GC (HD 02); NCQ (HD 02-03); AMC (D 00-01, 03); ASSC (D 01-03); ASCSC (D 01, 03); ASEC (D 03); Australian Economics Competition (D 04); 1st grade Volleyball (02-05); State Volleyball (03-04); member of CHS and GPS undefeated champion teams (05); Tennis (00-04); Fundraising.

**LU Winston:** (2004-2005): ASSC (D 05); AMC (D 04); Cross Country (04); Basketball (04).

**LY Brian:** (2004-2005): School Blue – Tennis (04); 1st grade - Tennis (04-05); GPS Tennis (04-05); Team member – Stan Jones CHS Knockout winners (04); Team Member – GPS Championship winners (04); Team Member – GPS Championship Runners up (05); Rugby (04-05); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.

**MAINPRIZE Thomas:** (2004-2005): 1st grade Rugby (04-05); GPS 3rd grade Rugby; 1st grade Basketball (04-05); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.

**MANI Shibu:** Music Program (00-02); AMC (HD 00-01; D 02-03); NCQ (D 04); ASCSC (D 03); ASSC (D 03); Zone Cross Country (00, 03-05); Regional Cross Country (00, 05); Tennis (01-03); Cricket (04-05); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets, Jeans for Genes, Clean Up Australia Day.

**MARCINIAK Philip:**

**MCDONNELL Patrick:**

**MCMANUS Gabriel:** Prefect (05); Music Program (00-03); SWE (02); SCB; Debating (00-05); GPS 1st grade Debating team (04-05); Captain – Debating Team (05); Team member - winners – Karl Cramp Debating Competition (04); Dux (00-04); 1st – Mathematics, 1st - Physics, 1st – English, 1st Economics, 1st - Information Processes & Technology; Sydney Boys High Trophy; S & P Tzannes Prize (00); Phil Ainsworth Memorial Award (05); Australian Economics Competition (Prize 05); ASSC (Medal 01); ASCSC (Medal 01, 03; HD 02); ASEC (HD 01-03); AMC (HD 00-01); MCYA (HD 02); ASSC (HD 00, 03); NCQ (HD 00-04); Rowing (00-03); Cross Country (00-04); Sailing (03-05).

**MITSUJI Sen:** Prefect (05); Academic Merit List (05); Soccer (00-05); 1st grade Soccer (03-05); GPS 1st grade – Soccer (04-05); Captain – Soccer (05); Rowing (03-05); Head of the River – 1st IV stroke (04); Head of the River 1st VIII (05); CHS champion – member of 1st VIII (04-05); GPS Athletics (04-05); Ski Team (03-04); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets, Jeans for Genes.

**MITTELHEUSER Thomas:** Peer Support Leader (03); Prefect (05); Music Program (00-04); SWE (02-04); SSB (02-04); Page to Stage (02); Compere - Sydney South East Regional Dance Festival (03) Sydney Boys High Trophy; 1st – Visual Arts (04); 1st – Drama (04); ASSC (HD 00); GC (HD 02-03); ASCSC (HD 03); Rowing (01-05); 1st IV and 1st VIII; Rugby (00-05); completion in partnership – the Harlequin Wall mosaic (04).

**MOSTAFA Naef:** Peer Support Leader (03); Peer Mediation Leader (04); Academic Merit List (02-050: AMC (D 00, 03); Cricket (00-05); 2nd grade Cricket (02); 1st grade Cricket (03-05); Member of 1st XI which played in Adelaide in the Australian Five Highs School Boys Championships and won the CEC Rubie trophy (03); Soccer (02-03); Athletics – school age champion (01); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets, ISSBH.

**MOUNARATH Ronny:** (2004-2005): Music Program; Bronze Medallion; NCQ (D 04); University of New South Wales Titration competition (04); Soccer (04-05); Basketball (00-05); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets, Jeans for Genes.

**NEO Hung Way:** Peer Support Leader (03); Peer Mediation Leader (04); Prefect (05); Sydney Boys High Trophy; 2nd place – Year 8 (01); 3rd place – Year 10 (03); 1st - History (00); 1st – Geography (02); 1st – PD/H/PE – (03); Equal 1st – Mathematics (03); Equal 1st – Commerce (03); AMC (Prize 00; HD 01-03); NCQ (HD 04); ASSC (D 00-03); Rugby (00-02); Athletics (02-04); Soccer (03-05); Tennis (00-05); 2nd grade Tennis (03-04); 1st grade Tennis (04-05); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets, Jeans for Genes.

**NG Vincent:** Music Program; Chamber Choir (00-03); 2nd – Design & Technology (02); Bronze Medallion; Music Pocket (03); AMC (D 01-02); Volleyball – GPS & CHS (01-02); Captain – 2nd grade Volleyball (01-02); Basketball (00-03); Water Polo (04-05); Cadet Unit – Corporal (03-4).

**NGAN Gordon:** Peer Support Leader (03); GC (HD 02-03); NCQ (HD 01-03); AMC (HD 01-02); ASSC (D 00-01, 03); ASEC (D 02-03); Zone Cross Country (00-01); Regional Cross Country (00); Tennis (02-04).

**NGO Gary:** AMC (HD 01-02; 04; D 03); MCYA (HD 02); ASCSC (D 02-03); GC (D 03); ASSC (D 00, 02-05); Cricket (00-05); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.

**NGUYEN Christopher:** (2003-2005): Music Program; Chamber Strings (03); Symphony Orchestra (03-04); Sydney Youth Orchestra (99-04); Headmaster's Prize for Performance in the Arts; Silver Medallion; Winner – Secondary Schools Chess Competition (04); AMC (D 03); ASSC (03); NCQ (D 03); ASCSC (D 03); Rugby (03-05); Soccer (04); Tennis (03-04); Basketball (05); Chess (03-04); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets, Jeans for Genes.

**NGUYEN Martin:** Peer Support Leader (03); Peer Mediator (04); Prefect (05); Academic Merit List (00-05); Sydney Boys High Trophy; Old Boys Prize (05); Prize – Commerce (03); AMC (HD 00, 02; D 03-04); NCQ (HD 04); Mathematics Enrichment Stage (02); MCYA (D 02); ASSC (D 02-03, 04); ASEC (D 01, 03); ASCSC (D 03); GC (D 03); Soccer (02-05); Captain – 3rd grade Soccer – (05); Tennis (00-05); Captain – 2nd grade Tennis (05); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets, Jeans for Genes, Clean Up Australia Day.

**NHAM Benjamin:** Debating (01-03); Public Speaking; Sydney Boys High Plaque; Peter Walker Prize for Literature (02); 2nd – Year 9 (02); 2nd – Year 10 (03); Prize – English (03); Prize – English (04); 2nd – Chemistry (04); 2nd – Modern History (04); ASSC (HD 01; D 00, 02-05); MCYA (HD 03); NCQ (HD 01-04); AMC (HD 00, 04; D 01, 03); Australian Mathematics Olympiad (D 03); Mathematics Enrichment Program (D 02); ASEC (D 01-03); GC (D 02-03); ASCSC (D 01-03); UNSW Mathematics Competition (Certificate of Merit 05); Dorothea Mackellar National Poetry Competition for Schools (Highly Commended Award 00); Tennis (00-04); Cricket (04-05); Soccer (01-03); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets, Library Project.

**NINYO Joel:**

**NOMCHONG Ian:** Peer Support Leader (03); Big Brother program (02); Peer Mediation Leader (04); Music Program; Vocalease Group (00-01); 3rd grade – Piano (AMEB 02); Sydney Boys High Special Award; Academic Merit List (03-05); ASSC (HD 02-03; D 00-01, 04); ASEC (D 00-01, 03); AMC (D 00-04); ASCSC (D 00, 02-03); NCQ (D 01-04); Soccer (00-03); Basketball (01-05); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets, Jeans for Genes; 40 Hour Famine, Clean Up Australia Day.

**ONG Daniel:** Peer Support Leader (03); Vice-Captain - Fairland House (04); 1st – Architecture and Building Design (03); 2nd – Legal Studies (04); Academic Merit List (00-05); Sydney Boys High Trophy; AMC (Prize 03; HD 01; D 00, 02, 04); GC (HD 12-03); NCQ (D 02-03); ASSC (D 01, 03); ASCSC (01-02); ASEC (D 03); Completion of HSC Information Processes and Technology (03); Cricket (00-02); Tennis (03-05); 2nd grade Tennis (04); Soccer (00-05); Chess (00-02); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.

**OVADIA Edward:** Peer Support Leader (03); House Vice-Captain (04); SCB (03-05); 1st – French (01-05); Full marks in the Australian French Language Certificate (04); Academic Merit List (02-05); Music Pocket (04); Sydney Boys High Trophy; Rowing (01-02, 04); Soccer (00-02); Rugby (03-04); 1st grade Cross Country (05); School and Zone Cross Country Champion; GPS Athletics (04-05); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.

**PALANA Dustin:** (2004-2005): Year 12 Formal Committee; Accelerated Chemistry; 1st grade Basketball (04-05); Vice-Captain - 1st grade Basketball (05); 3rd XV Rugby (04); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.

**PARTHASARATHY Akshay:** ASCSC (Perfect score medal 01; D 04); ASEC (HD 00, 03; D 01); ASSC (D 02); NCQ (D 01); AMC (HD 04; D 01); GC (HD 03); Rugby (03-04); Cricket (00-03); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets, Jeans for Genes.

**PASUPATHY Gantheepan:** Peer Support Leader (03); Peer Mediation Leader (04); Prefect (05); Gold Medallion; ASCSC (Prize 01; D 02-03); ASSC (HD 02-03; D 00-01); NCQ (HD 03-04; D 01); AMC (D 00-04); ASEC (D 01, 03); Rugby (00-05); 2nd grade Rugby (04); 1st grade Rugby (05); Cross Country (00); Cricket (00-01); Basketball (02-05); Cadet Unit (01-04); Corporal – Cadet Unit (03-04); Fundraising – Youth Off the Streets.

**PATEL Viraj:** (2004-2005): Academic Merit List (05); 1st – Legal Studies (05); 2nd – Economics (05); Silver Medallion; 2nd XI Cricket (04-05); Fundraising - Jeans for Genes, Youth Off the Streets.

**PEREIRA Peter:** Peer Support Leader (03); Peer Mediation Leader (04); SRC (04-05); Prefect (05); Pass with Honours in Musicianship (Piano) – 2nd grade (01) and 3rd grade (02); Academic Merit List (04-05); Sydney Boys High Plaque; AMC (HD 02; D 00-01, 03); GC (HD 02); ASCSC (D 01); Tennis (00-05); 1st grade Tennis (01-05); Captain – 1st grade Tennis (05); Team member – winning GPS Championship (03-04); Team member – runners up GPS Championship (02-05); Team member – Stan Jones CHS State Knockout (04); Rugby (03-05); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets; SRC.

**PEREIRA Robert:**

**PHAN James:**

**PHUNG Jason:** Prefect (05); Music Program (00-03); SWE (03); SSB (03); Music Pocket (03); Sydney Boys High Trophy; Deputy Principal's Prize for all-round achievement; ASSC (HD 03; D 02, 04); NCQ (HD 01; D 02); AMC (D 01); ASCSC (D 03); ASEC D 00, 02-03); GC (D 02-03); completed HSC Information Processes and Technology (03); Cricket (00-02); Rowing (03-04); Athletics (00-05); Rugby (00-05); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.

**PHUNG Ryan:** Bronze Medallion; 1st – Visual Arts (05 half yearly); 2nd – Visual Arts (04); 2nd – Visual Arts (05 Trial HSC); HSC Modern History – accelerant (04); Mathematics 2 unit – accelerant (04); NCQ (HD 03-04; D 01-02); GC (HD 02-03); AMC (D 00-04); ASEC (D 01-03); ASSC (D 01-03); ASCSC (D 01, 03); Sailing (03-05); 2nd grade – Sailing (05); Cadet Unit (01-04); Non-commissioned Officer – Cadet Unit (03).

**POLIS Troy:**

**POON Billy:** Big Brother Program (02); Peer Mediator (04); String Orchestra (00-03); Symphony Orchestra (00-03); 1st – Japanese (04-05); Australian Language Certificate for German (HD 03); Australian Language Certificate for Japanese Beginners (HD 04-05); ASSC (D 05); ASEC (D 03); Basketball (00-5); Captain – Basketball team (04-05); Most Valuable Player for his team (05); Fundraising - Jeans for Genes, Youth Off the Streets.

**PORANEK Nicholas:**

**PRABAKARAN Sayanthan:** (2004-2005): Library Assistant (04); Archives Committee (04); 1st – Mathematics 2 unit (04); 1st – Photography (04); Bronze Medallion; AMC (D 02-03); ASCSC (D 02); NCQ (D 04); ASSC (D 02); Cricket (04-05); Best Bowler of 3rd XI (05); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.

**PUTHI Sriharsha:** (2004-2005): Charities Committee (04-05); Recycling Committee (04); 1st – Photography (04); Silver Medallion; ASCSC (HD 04); Cricket (04-05); Chess (04); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.

- QI Dawei:** Peer Support Leader (03); Prefect (05); Stage Band (02-03); Debating (00-05); Member of team to win Karl Cramp State Debating Competition (04); Junior Public Speaker Prize (03); Senior Debater Prize (04); 2nd – Oratory Award (04); Academic Merit List (00-05); Sydney Boys High Trophy; AMC (Prize 03; HD 00); NCQ (HD 01-03); GC (HD 02-03); ASSC (HD 01, 03); MCYA (HD 03); ASCSC (HD 02); ASEC (D 00-03); Noether Mathematics Challenge (D 02); Tennis (00-05); Most Valuable Tennis Player Award (03); Soccer (00-05); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.
- QIAN Roger:** Library Assistant (00-03); Peer Support Leader (03); 9th grade – Piano (AMEB); AMEB Certificate of Music; ASSC (HD 03 D 01-02, 04); ASCSC (D 02); Australasian Westpac Mathematics Competition (D 03-04); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets, Jeans for Genes.
- RAJASEKERA Anuranga:** 4th – Economics (04); 4th – Physics (04); GC (HD 03; D 02); NCQ (HD 03; D 01-02, 04); ASSC (D 00, 02, 04); AMC (D 01-03); Cricket (02-05); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.
- ROUCEK Nicholas:** Peer Support Leader (03); 1st – Ancient History (05); 3rd – Legal Studies (05); 3rd – Geography (05); Academic Merit List (04-05); Rugby (00-05); 2nd XI Rugby (04); 1st XI Rugby (05); Cricket; Captain – Junior Cricket Team (00); Rowing; Basketball; Skit Team; Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.
- SALEM Omar:** Dux – German (02-03); Dux – Latin (03-05); 2nd – English (03); 3rd – English Extension (04); 2nd – German (00-01); 2nd – Latin (02); 3rd – French (00); Peter Walker Prize for English Literature (03-04); Completed the HSC German Continuers course – accelerant (04); AMC (HD 03; D 00-02, 04); NCQ (HD 03-04; D 02); NSW Australasian Science Competition (HD 02; D 00-01, 04); GC (HD 02); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets, Boxing Day Tsunami victims.
- SAMARAWEEERA Manusha:** Peer Mediation Leader (04); Chamber Choir (00-02); 1st – Technical Drawing - (02); Sydney Boys High Special Award; AMC (HD 03-04); NCQ (HD 03; D 02, 04); ASCSC (HD 02); ASEC (D 02); ASSC (D 02); GC (D 02); Mathematics Challenge Stage (HD 02); Cricket (00-05); 2nd grade Cricket (03-05); Captain – Trans Harbour Cricket Team (02); Captain – 16As Cricket Team (02-03); Captain – 2nd grade Cricket team (04-05); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets, Jeans for Genes.
- SANGHA Rakshinder:** Peer Support Leader (03); Chairperson – Charities Committee (04-05); Assistant Coach – Junior Rugby Team (05); Academic Merit List (02-05); Gold Medallion; AMC (HD 01, 03; D 00, 02, 04); ASSC (HD 01, 03-04; D 00, 02, 05); NCQ (HD 04-05); ASCSC (D 00, 02-03); ASEC (D 01); GC (D 02); Cricket (00-04); Soccer (00-01); Rugby (02-04); 2nd XV – Rugby (04); Athletics (00); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets, Jeans for Genes, Daffodil Day.
- SARKAR Anik:** Peer Mediation Leader (04); Sydney Boys High Plaque; AMC (Prize – 00; HD 02; D 01, 03-04); Mathematics Challenge (Enrichment Intermediate Division) (HD 02-03); NCQ (HD 03-04; D 02); ASSC (HD 03); MCYA (D 02); GC (D 02); ASCSC (D 03); Cricket (00-05); Volleyball (04); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets, Jeans for Genes.
- SCHARFEGGER Joshua:** Prefect (05); Music Program (00-03); SWE (03); Music Pocket (03); 6th grade – Piano (03); Gold Medallion; School Blue – Rifle Shooting (03); School Blue – Rowing (05); Sydney East Region Blue – Rowing (05); ASEC (D 03); Rowing (03-05); 1st VIII (04-05); Best Sculler (04-05); Athletics (03-04); Rugby (01-05); 1st XV – Rugby (05); Rifle Shooting (02-05); 1st grade – Rifle Shooting (03-05); Member of team winning GPS Premiership – Rifle Shooting (03); Member of Australian Cadets Rifle Team touring England competing in the Royal Queens and All Schools Match (02, 04); Cadet Unit; Non-commissioned Officer – Cadet Unit (05).
- SEOW Mitchell:** Peer Support Leader (03); SRC (00-04); Vice-President – SRC (04); Prefect (05); Debating (00-03); 2nd in NSW – Commonwealth Bank Junior Debating Tournament (03); Sydney Boys High Trophy; Reuben F Scarf Memorial Prize 905); Peter Walker Prize for English Literature (00); Arch Ferguson Prize (03); completed HSC Information Processes and Technology – accelerant (03); equal 1st – Business Studies (04); BSC (Prize – 05); GC (HD 03); MCYA (HD 03); AMC (D 00-05); ASEC (D 00-04); ASCSC (D 00-03); Soccer (00-05); Vice-Captain – 2nd XI Soccer (04); Tennis (00-02); Rowing (03-05); GPS Swimming (05); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets, SRC, Jeans for Genes.
- SHARPE Trent:** Peer Support Leader (03); House Vice-Captain (04); Drama (03-05); Rugby (00-04); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets, Jeans for Genes.
- SHI Kevin:** ASSC (D 01); AMC (D 01); NCQ (D 02); Basketball (02-05).

- SHI Richard:** Music Program (00-04); SWE; SSB; Music Pocket (03); GC (HD (02); NCQ (HD 02); AMC (D 02); Basketball (01-05); Soccer (00-04); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.
- SINGARAYAR Sanjiv:** SRC Treasurer (04-05); Peer Mediation Leader (04); Charities Committee (04-05); Gold Medallion; 1st – Industrial Technology (04); 3rd – Software Design and Development (04); School Blue – Rifle Shooting (05); ASCSC (HD and Medal 01; D 05); AMC (D 00-02); ASSC (D 01-03); NCQ (D 01); ASEC (D 01-02); GC (D 03); Tennis (01-03); Rifle Shooting (03-05); 1st grade Rifle Shooting (04-05); Combined GPS Rifle Shooting Team (05); 2nd - All Schools Competition for Target Rifle Shooting (05); Fundraising – Jeans for Genes.
- SINGH Sahaj:** (2002-2005): Peer Mediation Leader (04); AMC (D 02-03); GC (D 03); Cricket (02-04); 2nd XI – Cricket (03-05); Bowling Award – Cricket (03-04); Soccer (02-03); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets, Lifeline.
- SIRINOPAKUL Victor:** Peer Support Leader (03); Music Program; Symphony Orchestra (00-04); Senior String Orchestra (00-04); Music Pocket (03); Sydney Boys High Trophy; 3rd – Year 7 (00); ASCSC (Medal 01; HD 01; D 02-03); AMC (HD 04; D 01-03, 05); ASSC (HD 03, 05; D 00-02); NCQ (HD 01, 03-04); ASEC (HD 01; D 02-03); Soccer (02-05); Basketball (02-03, 05); Most Improved Player – Basketball (05); Old Boys Union Data Recover Project (03); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets, Jeans for Genes, Heart Foundation.
- SIU Raymond:** (2004-2005): AMC (HD 00; D 01-03); MCYA (HD 01; D 00); ASEC (D 03); GPS Tennis (04); Basketball (05); GPS Cross Country (04); Fundraising – Red Shield Appeal, Youth Off the Streets.
- SKARIAH Arun:** Peer Mediator (04); Sydney High Archives (01-03); Library Assistant (00-02); Bronze Medallion; ASCSC (Medal – 01; HD 01, 03-04; D 00, 02); GC (HD 03); Cricket (00-02); AMC (D 00-04); ASSC (D 00-02, 04); ASEC (D 00); Tennis (02-0); Rifle Shooting (02-05); 2nd grade Rifle Shooting (05); Fundraising – Youth Off the Streets.
- SO Clarence:** Peer Support Leader (03); Music Program (00-03); SCB; GC (HD 03); AMC (D 00, 02); ASSC (D 01-02); ASEC (D 01-02); ASCSC (D 02); NCQ (D 01); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.
- SO Vincent:** Library Monitor (00-03); SRC; Peer Support Leader (03); Silver Medallion; Prize - The Price Waterhouse Coopers Australian Business Studies Competition (05); graduated from the Union Bank of Switzerland Finance Academy where 50 students were chosen from schools in the ACT, NSW and Victoria (04); Volleyball; National Volleyball Tournament – Melbourne (02-03); 2nd grade Volleyball (02-03); Basketball (00-04); Fundraising – Youth Off the Streets, Legacy, 40 Hour Famine.
- STAMATI Benjamin:** Peer Support Leader (03); Peer Mediator (04); Gold Medallion; ASSC (D 03); Rowing (00-05); 2nd VIII - Rowing (04-5); Rugby (01-05); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.
- STEEN Mischa:** Peer Support Leader (03); Vice House Captain (04); Prefect (05); Music Program; SCB (00-03); Music Pocket (03); Academic Merit List (05); School Honour Cap (05); School Blue – Rowing (05); School Blue – Soccer (05); Gold Medallion; Oswald Chapman Memorial Prize (05); NCQ (HD 03); ASEC (D 04); ASEC (D 01-02); ASSC (D 02-03); GC (D 02); Rowing (01-05); 1st VIII – Rowing (04-05); Stroke – 1st VIII – Rowing (05); Soccer (00-05); Captain – Combined GPS 2nd grade Soccer team (05); Athletics (00-05); School Age Champion (02-03, 05).
- STRETTON Jacob:** Peer-Support Leader (03); Senior Prefect (05); Music Program (00-03); SSB; SWE; Music Pocket (03); Sydney Boys High Plaque; Deputy Principal's Prize (05); GC (HD 00-01); NCQ (HD 02-03; D 04); ASCSC (HD 03; D 02); ASSC (D 02-04); ASEC (D 01-02); AMC (D 00-02); Rowing (01-05); Athletics (00-05); Rugby (02-05).
- SUN Jack:**
- SYED Atif Zaki:** 3rd – History (03); ASEC (HD 03; D 02); AMC (HD 01); ASSC (D 03); Cricket (01-05); Fundraising – Youth Off the Streets.
- TALLURI Vamsi:** Peer Mediator (04); Recycling Committee (04-05); Silver Medallion; Westpac Mathematics Competition (HD 00; D 02-03); NCQ (D 02-03); GPS Cricket; GPS Soccer (00-01); Tennis (02-04); Rifle Shooting (02-04); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets, Jeans for Genes.
- TAYLOR Mitchell:** Peer Support Leader (03); Prefect (05); Music Program (00-03); SSB; SCB; Music Pocket (03); Silver Medallion; Academic Merit List (01, 04-05); ASSC (HD 02; D 00-01); NCQ (HD 03); ASEC (D 01-02); AMC (D 00-01, 03); Rugby (00-03); Rowing (01-02, 05); Basketball (03-05); Fundraising – Youth Off the Street.

**THAI Michael:** Big Brother Program; Peer Support Leader (03); Debating (01-03); Sydney Boys High Special Award; House Badge (03); ASSC (D 02-03); AMC (D 02-03); Cricket (00-02); Basketball (02-05); Soccer (00-02); Chess (01-03); Fundraising - Youth Off the Street, Jeans for Genes.

**THOMAS Daniel:** SRC (03); Peer Support Leader (03); Prefect (05); Academic Merit List (05); Gold Medallion; The Brian Allsop Memorial Prize (04); SHS 1st XV Best and Fairest Player (04); Rugby (00-05); 1st XV – Rugby (03-04); Captain – NSW Schools U/16s Rugby Team – National Championships (03); Rowing (00-03).

**TIAN Philip:** Australian Schools Economic Competition (Prize 05); NCQ (Prize 02; HD 00-01, 03-04); ASSC (HD 01-02, 04; D 00, 03, 05); AMC (D 00-02, 04); Fencing (03-04); Captain – 1st grade Fencing (05).

**TIEDGEN Alexander:** SRC (02); Peer Support Leader (03); Torrington House Captain (04); Prefect (05); Gold Medallion; Doc Bentivoglio Prize (03); Class of 1991 Prize; GC (HD 02; D 03); ASSC (HD 02; D 00-01); AMC (HD 02; D 00-01, 03); NCQ (D 03); Rugby (01-05); Captain – 16As – Rugby (03); 1st XV Rugby (04-05); GPS and CHS Rowing (00-05); 1st VIII Rowing (04); 2nd VIII Rowing (05); Athletics (00-05); Ski Team (01-04); Captain – Ski Team (03-04).

**TRAN Charley:** AMC (HD 02; D 00-01, 04); NCQ (D 01, 04); ASSC (D 03, 05).

**TRAN Christopher:** 1st – Architecture and Building Design (03); ASCSC (Medal 01; HD 01); ASSC (HD 02); GC (HD 03); AMC (D 00-01, 03); ASEC (D 02-03); ASSC (D 00, 03); NCQ (D 01); Basketball (03-05); 2nd grade Basketball (04-05); Athletics (01-05); GPS Athletics (02-05); Rugby (01-03); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.

**TRAN Dat:** Peer Support Leader (03); Price Waterhouse Cooper Business Studies Competition (HD and Prize 05); GC (D 03); Soccer (00-04); Tennis (00-04); Water Polo (04-05); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets, Jeans for Genes.

**TRIPP Philip:** Academic Merit List (01-05), 1st – Modern History (02-04); Sydney Boys High Trophy; Michael Goodwin Memorial Prize (02); AMC (HD 03; D 00-02, 05); ASSC (D 00, 02); ASEC (D 01-03, 05); ASCSC (D 01-02); NCQ (HD 03; D 01-02); GC (HD 02); Swimming (00-05); GPS Swimming Team (01-05); Captain GPS Swimming Squad (05); Rugby (01-05); Vice-Captain – 3rd XV Rugby (05); Basketball (00-04); Captain 3rd grade Basketball (05); Credit – 8th grade Piano AMEB (03); Honours – AMEB Theory of Music examination (00); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.

**TSAO Jim:** (2004-2005): 1st – Chemistry (04); overall 3rd – Year 11 (04); NCQ (HD 04); ASSC (D 05); Fencing (04-05).

**TUNG Patrick:** Big Brother Program (03); AMC (D 01); Basketball (01-05); 2nd grade Basketball (05); GPS Soccer (02-04); Athletics (01-05); GPS Athletics Championship Team (02, 04-05); CHS Athletics (00-05); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.

**VADALI Ravi:** Student Librarian (00-03); Archivist (00-02); Peer Support Leader (03); Co-chairperson – Charities Committee; Bronze Medallion; AMC (HD 00-03); ASSC (HD 00-03); NCQ (D 04-05); Cricket (00-05); Captain – 3rd XI Cricket (03-05); Rugby (03-05); Fundraising – Jeans for Genes, Youth Off the Streets; Daffodil Day.

**VAIRAV Arun:** (2006):

**VITHANAGE Anuradha:** (2004-2005): SRC (05); Cricket (04-05); 2nd XI Cricket (04); 1st XI Cricket (05); Australian Five Highs Cricket Carnival – Brisbane (05); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets, Amnesty International, Daffodil Day, Jeans for Genes, Legacy, Red Cross.

**WANG David:** Credit Pass – 5th grade Piano – AMEB (00); GC (HD 03); AMC (D 00-01, 03); ASCSC (D 03); ASSC (D 03); GPS Tennis (00-03); GPS Soccer (00-04); 2nd XI – Soccer (05); Captain – 3rd XI – Soccer (04); Vice-Captain – 3rd XI – Soccer (03); Fundraising – Jeans for Genes, Youth Off the Streets.

**WANG Edward:**

**WANG Jia:** Peer Support Leader (03); Big Brother Program (02); AMC (HD 00-01); ASCSC (HD 02); ASSC (D 00, 02); Swimming; GPS Tennis; Soccer, Cross Country; Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.

- WANG Jun:** Peer Support Leader (03); Big Brother Program (02); AMC (Prize 03; HD 00-01; D 02, 04); NCQ (HD 02; D 01, 03); ASSC (D 00-01, 03); GC (D 03); Tennis.
- WANG Michael:** 1st – Mathematics (02); Westpac Mathematics Competition (Prize 02; HD 00; D 03); NCQ (HD 04; D 01-02); GC (HD 02-03); MCYA (HD 02; D 03); ASCSC (D 01-02); ASEC (D 02); Fencing (01-05); Vice-Captain 2nd grade Fencing (04); Vice-Captain 1st grade fencing (05); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.
- WATZLAFF Paul:** Peer Support Leader (03); Prefect (05); Debating (02-03, 05); Sydney Boys High Special Award; 1977 Year 12 Prize; Ross Miller Prize (03); GC (HD 03); ASSC (D 02); AMC (D 04); Soccer (00-04); Captain – 16As Soccer (03); 1st grade Soccer (04); Rowing (00-04); Zone, Regional, State and National Athletics (00-05); Cross Country (00-05); Captain – 1st grade Cross Country (05); Junior Captain – Cross Country (03); Captain – Athletics (05); School Blue – Athletics (03); School Blue – Cross Country (04).
- WEI Tom:** Peer Support Leader (03); Music Program (00-03); String Orchestra; String Ensemble (00); Sydney Boys High Trophy; 3rd – Business Studies (05); AMC (Prize 04; HD 00-01, 03); NCQ (HD 01, 02); ASEC (D 01, 03); ASSC (D 00-01, 03); Soccer (00-05); Tennis (00-04); Rowing (05); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets, UNICEF Tsunami Appeal.
- WICKRAMASINGHE Suren:** Prefect (05); Music Program (00-04); SWE; SSB; Music Pocket (03); Gold Medallion; Prize – PDHPE (03); AMC (D 00-03); NCQ (D 03-04); Zone, Regional and State Athletics (00-04); Age Championship (00-01, 04); Junior Vice-Captain – Athletics (03); Cricket; Vice-Captain – Cricket (04); Captain – Cricket (05); Rugby (05); Fundraising – Youth Off the Streets, Jeans for Genes.
- WONG Dominic:** Prefect (05); Music Program; SCB (00-01); 1st – Design & Technology (00); Sydney Boys High Plaque; AMC (Prize 01; HD 00, 02-03); NCQ (Prize 01; HD 01, 03-04); Price Waterhouse Coopers Australian Economics Competition (Prize 05); ASSC (HD 00-02); ASCSC (HD 03); GC (HD 02-03); ASEC (D 00-03); 1st grade Water Polo (05); 2nd grade Cross Country (05); 2nd grade Rifle Shooting (03); Basketball (00-04); Soccer (00-02); member of 1st grade Chess team who came 2nd in the state (05); Captain – Intermediate A Chess team (03); Cadet Unit (01-05); Corporal – Cadet Unit (03); Staff Sergeant – Cadet Unit (04); Cadet Under Officer – (05); Platoon Commander (05); Running the Cadet Unit website; Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets, Jeans for Genes.
- WONG Keith:**
- WONG Paul:** Music Program (00-03); SCB (02-03); Sydney Boys High Trophy; 3rd – Physics (05); 2nd – Economics (04); Australian Schools Economics Competition (Prize 05); AMC (HD 00, 04; D 01-03, 05); NCQ (HD 01-03; D 04); ASSC (HD 01; D 00, 02-05); ASCSC (HD 02-03); ASEC (HD 03); GC (HD 03; D 00-02); Tennis (00-05); Vice-Captain – 2nd grade Tennis (04-05); Zone, Regional and State Swimming (00-02); CHS Swimming Championships (02-01); Age Swimming Champion (00); Soccer (03-05); Old Boys Union Data Recovery Project (02); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets, Jeans for Genes, Make Poverty History campaign.
- WONG Wesley:** (2004-2005): Music Program; NCQ (HD 04; NCQ 03); AMC (D 00-01, 03); ASSC (D 00, 02-03); GPS Cross Country (04-05); Cricket (04); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.
- WRENCH Bryan:**
- WU Andrew:** AMC (HD 02; D 01, 03-05); GC (HD 02-03, 05); ASSC (D 01, 03-04); Cricket (02-04); Cross Country; 1st grade Cross Country (04-05); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.
- XIE Joe:** Bronze Medallion; ASCSC (Perfect Score, Medal 01; HD 01-02); AMC (Prize 00-01; HD 02; D 03-04); NCQ (HD 01; D 02); ASEC (D 01-03); ASSC (00, 02-03); Cross Country (02, 04-05); Basketball (03-05); Fundraising – Youth Off the Streets.
- XU William:** Sydney Boys High Special Award; NCQ (HD 01; D 03); AMC (D 00-01, 04); ASSC (00-03); GC (D 02); Athletics (00-04); State Athletics (00, 03); Rugby (00-05); Vice-Captain 16Bs Rugby (03-05); Tennis (00-04); Basketball (04-05); Most Improved Player Trophy – Basketball (05); Fundraising – Youth Off the Streets.
- XUE Kevin:** (2004-2005): Basketball; Fundraising – National Bandana Day; Youth Off the Streets.
- XUE Steven:** 1st – Software Design Y Development (04-05); 2nd – Engineering Studies (04-05); ASCSC (HD 00; D 01, 04-05); ASSC (D 00-03); ASEC (D 02); NCQ (D 01, 03); AMC (D 00-02); Basketball (01-04); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.

**YANG Chen:**

**YANG David:** Peer Support Leader (03) 1st – English (01); 1st – Visual Arts (01); Gold Medallion; ASCSC (HD 01; D 02); AMC (HD 00; D 01-04); ASSC (HD 01; D 02-03); GC (HD 02; D 03); NCQ (HD 03-04; D 01-02); ASEC (D 01-03); Tennis (00-05); Volleyball (03-04); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets, Jeans for Genes.

**YAO Richard:** (2003-2005): 1st - Chinese Background Speakers (03); Silver Medallion; AMC (HD 01; D 00, 02-03); ASSC (HD 02; D 00-01); NCQ (03-04); ASEC (D 03); GC (D 02); Cricket (03-05); Cross Country (03-05); 2nd grade Cross Country (04-05); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.

**YOGANATHAN Rajeevan:** AMC (HD 02; D 00-01, 03-04); NCQ (HD 04); ASSC (D 02-03); Cricket (00-05); 2nd XI Cricket (03-04); 1st XI Cricket (04-05); Australian Five Highs Cricket Carnival (05); Soccer (00-04); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets, Jeans for Genes.

**YONG Chuanji:** (2004-2005) 1st – Chinese Extension (05); ASSC (D 05); 1st grade Basketball (04-05); Young Achievers Award (04); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.

**YOUNG James:** AMC (Prize Awards 00, 02-05; HD 01); NCQ (HD 04; D 02); ASCSC (HD 02); ASSC (D 00-02, 04); Rugby (00-03).

**YU Ronald:** Prefect (05); 1st – Non-Background Chinese (01); 1st – Design & Technology (02); 2nd – Physics (04); 3rd – Business Studies (04); Sydney Boys High Special Award; AMC (Prize 00-01, 03; HD 02, 04); ASCSC (Prize 01; HD 03; D 02); NCQ (Prize – 01; HD 02-03); ASSC (HD 03; D 00-02, 05); Australian Schools Economics Competition (04); ASEC (D 00-03); GC (D 02-03); Soccer (00-05); Chess (00-05); Captain – 1st grade Chess Team (00-05); member of Chess team who won the Australian Schools Teams Championships (04); the Metropolitan Secondary Schools Competition (04), the Schools Chess Challenge (04); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.

**YUEN Jeremy:**

**ZAK Ilya:**

**ZHANG Bill:** 1st – Chinese (Background) (01); AMC (Prize 00; HD 00-02; D 03); ASSC (HD 02; D 01, 03); ASCSC (D 02); ASEC (D 01, 04); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.

**ZHANG John:** (2001-2005); Lennie Bassar Award (05); NSW Schools Titration Competition (Certificate of Excellence (05)); National Titration Competition (Gold Medal 05); Australian Schools Economics Competition (Prize 05); NCQ (HD 04; D 01); AMC (HD 01, 04; D 00, 02); GC (HD 02); ASSC (HD 01, 03; D 00, 02, 04); ASCSC (D 03); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.

**ZHANG Li:**

**ZHANG Phillip:** (2004-2005): Basketball (04-05); 7th grade Basketball – undefeated (05); 1st grade Soccer (04-05); Player of the Year – Soccer (05); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.

**ZHANG Tom:** AMC (Prize 01; HD 00; D 02-03); GC (HD 02-03); NCQ (HD 03; D 02); ASCSC (D 04-05); ASEC (D 03); ASSC (D 02-03); Cricket (00-04); Soccer (02-04); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.

**ZHANG William:** GC (HD 02); NCQ (HD 01-02) ASSC (HD 02; D 03-04); ASEC (D 01-03); AMC (D 00-01, 03); Cricket (02-05); Volleyball (01-05); Sydney East Regional Volleyball (03-05); School Blue – Volleyball (05); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.

**ZHAO Jiong:** 2nd – Chinese (01-03); AMC (HD 00-02; D 03); NCQ (HD 04; D 01); ASSC (D 00, 02); GC (D 02); Cricket (02-05); 3rd XI (04-05); Prize – 3rd XI – Best All-rounder and fielder (05); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets, Daffodil Day, Red Cross.

**ZHOU Jun:** AMC (D 04); ASSC (D 04); NCQ (D 03); Basketball (00-05); Soccer (02-04); Captain – 15Bs Soccer (02); Fundraising - Youth Off the Streets.

**ZINZOPOULOS Alexander-Vasil:** Peer Support Leader (03); TCB (00-03); ICB; (00-03); SCB (00-03); Silver Medallion; NSW Westpac Mathematics Competition (D 00, 02-03); ASEC (D 03); ASSC (D 03); NCQ (D 02); ASCSC (D 03); Tennis (01-05); 1st grade Tennis (04-05).

# Class Lists

*For Year 7 see Salvete, and for Year 12 see Valete.*

## **Class 8E**

ABEYSURIYA Nishan, ALAM Aqeeb, APPLETON Louis, BELL Joshua, BINNS Samuel, BURNHAM Sam, BURSTON Timothy, CHAN Michael, DESMOND Patrick, DIMITROPOULOS Nicholas, EVANS Christopher, HOANG Simon, HORTON Patrick, IRELAND Jeremy, LAM Danny, LANE Harrison, LAU Robert, LEE Felix, LEE James, LIM Victor, MITRA Ritam, NAM David, OSINSKI Matthew, PAN William, PNG Lawrence, REEVES Cameron, RIDGES Nelson, STOJANOVIC Denis, TASSELL Joshua, WACHSMANN Jack, WANG Jeffrey, WONG Matthew.

## **Class 8F**

ASTAFIEV Grigori, CHAN William, CHEN Clement, DONG Stephen, FENG Richard, HE Stanley, HI Desmond, HOPKINS Anthony, HUYNH Richard, KAYES Masnun, LEI Sonny, LIM Timmy, LIN William, LU Edward, MCPHERSON Kerrod, NGUYEN Matthew, NGUYEN Thomas, PEDNEKAR Nakul, QIU Johnson, SHARMA Avish, SHIMADA Shota, STREET Neil, TRAN Luke, TSIAILIS Anthony, WONG Johnny, YOUNG James, YOUNG Jason, ZHANG Geoffrey, ZHANG Max, ZHENG Steven.

## **Class 8M**

BELOKOPYTOV Alexander, BROWN Alasdair, BROWN Lachlan, CHAN Jarrod, CHAN Matthew, CHEN Clive, CHEN Roy, CHOW Justin, CLUNE Addison, ESAEV Bobby, GREENSLADE Beau, JIANG Brandon, KASHYAP Roshan, KATSIKAROS Christian, LEE Simon, LINDEBACK Nicholas, LING Matthew, LIU Charley, LO Kelvin, NGUYEN Darren, NGUYEN Kent, ROESSLER-HOLGATE Plini, SANTOSO Johan, SZET Wilson, TAN Jonathan, TANG Matthew, TONG Matthew, WAN Samuel, WONG Nicholas, ZHOU Michael.

## **Class 8R**

AHMED Razeen, ANG Adrian, BYRNES Julian, CHAN Yuen, CHEN Jack, CHEN Jacky, CHEN Jeffrey, CHENG Simon, DINH Matthew, GAROFANO Stephen, JURISEVIC Anton, KURTS Phillip, LAMBERT Daniel, LAU Matthew, LI Jacky, LIM Kang, PENG Charley, PENG David, QUAH Xhian, RICHARDS Adam, RICHARDS Hugo, SIU Timothy, SPOLJARIC Nevin, TENG Leonard, UNG Victor, WILSON Thomas, WONG Jeffrey, YANG Bohan, YU Henry, YU Timothy.

## **Class 8S**

ANDONOVSKI Daniel, APOLONIO Bryant, CHIN Stanley, CHOUDHURY Tasneem, ERIKSSON James, FAN David, FENG Michael, HARVEY Thomas, HATLE Aditya, JACOB Sidharth, KRISHNAN Arun, KWOK Alden, LAM Victor, LIEN Vincent, LIEU Johnny, LUCCHITTI Mark, MA William, MAK Chun-Yin, MARTINI Eric, MIKHA Maxeem, NEO Hung, NGUYEN Jason, PARK Justin, SAGGAR Raghav, SHENOY Rohit, TRAN David, WU Dickson, XIE Cong, ZHANG Weiang, ZHONG Tim.

## **Class 8T**

CAO Yiming, COSMAN George, DIEP Benjamin, GAO Ting, HU David, HUANG Nathan, HUDA Shah, HUH Harry, HUNG Philip, KE Steven, KHOU Vincent, LAU Brian, LEE Raymond, LI Aolin, LI Hongwei, LO Daniel, LU Benjamin, LU Simon, PONRAJ Shane, SHAN Daniel, SHURAPEY Dmitriy, SIN Michael, TRAN Anthony, TRAN An-Ton, TRAN Trung, YIU Michael, YUAN Ike, ZHANG Mike, ZHANG Shorson, ZHANG Victor.

## **Class 9E**

CAI Tony, CHEUNG Cary, COHN Jason, COPPA Jed, DESAI Mihir, HUI Joshua, IP James, JIN Daniel, LAM Kevin, LEE Matthew, LIEU Nathan, LIU Chang, LO George, LUONG Ian, MA Jiawen, MA Winson, MENZIES James, MEROM Shahar, MICKOVSKI Kiril, MYRONENKO Michael, NG Adrian, QIN George, RAO Karan, RUSLI Matthew, SHI David, SIMPSON Daniel, SUTTON Ryan, WANG Phillip, YANG Charles, YOON Robert, ZHANG Johnny, ZU Zhi.

**Class 9F**

BALACHANDRAN Ajay, BOWES Dominic, BURNEY Jack, CAMPION Daniel, CERECINA Ivan, CHOI Jun, CULIBAO Jonathan, DIOLASO Jonathan, FSADNI Matthew, GU Howard, HARRISON-TIKISCI Ziggy, HUANG Dean, JI Remy, KANDASAMY Arunan, KOMAROV Anton, LA Kenny, LI Philip, LOCHNER Nicholas, MA Kevin, MANCENIDO Zid, MEHMEDBASIC Muhamed, ROSENGARTEN Toby, SHAPILSKY Alex, SUN Yu (Tom), TRAC Warren, TSENG Benjamin, WANG Jack, WANG Kevin, WU Phil, XU Bob.

**Class 9M**

CHAN William, CHANDRAKUMAR David, CHIU Daniel, DANG Viet, IYER Shreyas, KIM Albert, LEE Winston, LEUNG Alvin, LUNG Brian, LUO Steven, MARTIN Calum, O'KEEFE Daniel, PALAU Benjamin, PFULL Brynley, PHAM Daniel, RAHMAN Sifat, REID Harrison, SHIH I-Cheng, SHUM Christopher, STREET Lachlan, TAYLOR Alistair, TOH David, TRUONG Gary, VIEN David, VINGNANASINGAM Keerth, WANG Benjamin, WOGAS Andrew, WONG Jason, ZHANG Chamberlain, ZOLOTAREV Boris.

**Class 9R**

AHMED Khalid, ANG Eric, BAPAT Ishan, BOCK Michael, CHEE Andrew, CHEN Robert, CHIM Daniel, DOVAN Alexander, HUA Richard, HUANG Garland, LAM Christopher, LEE Benjamin R, LEE Sean, LIM Andrew, LIU Simon, LOCKE Patrick, LUNG Bernard, MCDONNELL Nathan, MONTOYA ZORRILLA Edwin, NA Koeun, NG Danny, NGUYEN William, SUN Marco, TAN Lucian, THOMAS Ashwin, TING Simon, WONG Roy, YANG Caly, YANG Simin, YEUNG Alex.

**Class 9S**

BHRUGUBANDA Hari, BOIKOV Lawrence, BURGER Lewis, CHEN Harry, COUTTS Matthew, DONG Roger, HAYES Nicholas, HUANG Jack, KARUNAKARAN Arun, KWOK Nathan, LAI Alexandro, LEE Benjamin S, LEE Joshua, LEUNG Andrew, LINDEBACK Thomas, LIVINGSTON Joel, MAI Tam, NADKARNI Ishan, PHUAH Paul, PHUNG Jordan, RATNAYAKE Ricky, SERBAN Michael, SONG Joon, SPENCER Mark, SRIRANJAN Kogulan, SUGITO Stuart, TSE Andrew, TSUI Vincent, VITHANAGE Dasith, ZHANG Schuman.

**Class 9T**

CHAN Nathan, DAI Jun, DENG Yiming, DU Ping, FAN David, FANG Bernard, FU Danny, HO Anthony, HUYNH Anthony, IYER Kartik, JOO Timothy, JUNG Daniel, LE Kevin, LE Minh, LI Edward, LI Timothy, LIU Ruiwen, MAO John, NGUYEN Peter, PERANANTHAN Varan, PHAN Albert, TANG Andrew, TANG Christopher, TSE Damien, VU Mark, WANG Arthur, WONG Dennis, YIP Jackson, YU David, ZHAI Xiaoyi.

**Class 10E**

ASHOKKUMAR Ashleey, BA Mac, BASKARAN Radheshan, CHENG Leo, GEORGE Reuben, JIA Stanley, KOUNDASHEV Oleg, LAM Kevin, LEE Alexander, LEE Henry, LEE Kevin, LEUNG Jeffrey, LUO Roger, LY Terry, NGUYEN Victor, PANDIT Rommo, PARK Anthony, PARK Ji-Kwang, SHEN Michael, SIN Alfred, SONG Harry, SUN Bill, TRAN David, TRAN Joshua, TRAN Kent, TRAN Raymond, WANG Siyang, WONG Cambridge, WONG Leslie, XIE Jeffrey, ZHU Jie,

**Class 10F**

ALIM Michael, ARAFAT Amir, AZAD Shaihan, CHEN Patrick, FETHERSTON Matthew, HAN Owen, HU David, HURRELL Thomas, HUSSAIN Sabeeh, HUYNH Phillip, JIN Frank, KESWANI Aditya, KIM David, KIM Kevin, KIM Matthew, KLOCKER Amadeus, LEE Clement, LUU Eric, LUU John, MORRIS Anthony, NGUYEN Trong, VU Martin, VULKANOVSKI Alexander, WAN Anthony, WONG Danny, XU Richard, YAO Edward, YU Kelvin, YUAN Steven, ZHUANG Wei.

**Class 10M**

AMEEN Sameer, BLACKSHIELD Efrem, BLAXELL D'Arcy, CHEN Steven, COUTTS Michael, DEACON Lachlan, DUFFY Patrick, FREIMAN Joshua, GOKARN Rahul, GUO Yun-Zhe, HEO Phillip, ISSAEV Vassili, JEYARAMAN

## Class Lists

Sriram, KELDOULIS Maximilian, KELLY Mitchell, LEACH Rowan, LUSCOMBE Jeremy, MIAO Richard, NA Joeun, PALANA Calvin, PERERA Oswin, PHAM Andrew, PRENTICE-DAVIDSON Blaise, SONG Steven, TRAN Ian, TSITALOVSKIY Vitaliy, WONG David, WONG Milton, WU Li, ZAMAN Redhwan.

### **Class 10R**

ALCHIN Robbie, AU Jacky, CHERIAN Renju, DIZON David, HUSAINI Adnan, ISKANDER Andrew, ISKANDER Timothy, JIN Terry, KOK Jason, KUMAGAYA David, LE Alexander, LIU Martin Han, LIU Xiao, MALEK Peter, NG Albert, NI Max, ROCA Raymond, SHEN William, SHI Wen Zhe, SIN Matthew, STADNIK Eugene, TAO Jamie, WILSON Jeremy, XIA Tom, YANG Louis, YANG Richard, YEUNG Rano, YUEN Shek-Him, ZHANG Geoffrey.

### **Class 10S**

CHEN Kevin, CHEN Michael, CHIU Jaffe, CUI Si, DEVAPIRIAM Richard, FARHAT Moussa, LAI Joseph, LEVANIC Nikola, LI Zhongzhu, LIU Benjamin, LIU Martin, LOU Samson, LU Weiping, LUI Edmond, NAIK Aditya, PANICKER Girish, ROBSON Samuel, SANKARAN Siddharth, SIU Chapman, SO Gary, SOMANCHI Ravi, SU Raymond, TAN Alan, TAN Jih, WANG Albert, WANG Jing, WONG Kelvin, WONG Wilson, ZHAI George, ZHANG Wilson.

### **Class 10T**

ALAGANAR Arjuna, CHEN David, DENG Edward, FAN Howard, GUNARATNE Dakshika, HSIAO Jourdan, HUANG Andrew, JANG Raymond, JAWAHIR Amjad, KARUNARATNE Gehan, KIM Joseph, LIN Yu, LIU Andrew, MACKAY James, MAK Thomas, NG Matthew, NGUYEN Richard, PHU Jason, SATHIAKUMAR Samuel, SHUTTLEWORTH Aaron, SURENDRAN Arthavan, TRAN Nguyen, VERTOUDAKIS Alexander, VISSER Josef, WALKER Henry, WANG Godwin, WANG Michael, WU Eddy, WU William, ZHANG Sean.

### **Class 11E**

AMIN Ali, ANGELL Blake, BURKE Stephen, CARROLL Mark, CHAN Aaron, CHAN Jeffrey, GRIBBLE Samuel, JEYENDRA Adrian, KAMERMAN Joel, LAMBERT Justin, LIU Richard, LO Bernard, LOUIE Ellis, LUNNEY Martin, MISRA Agam, NAOUMENKO Daniel, OH Abraham, PHAM Edward, RAZEEN Malik, REIS Andrew, SAVIT Gabriel, SAVIT Quinn, SHAO Chong, SHAW Yeou-Kang, SHI Leo, SRIKUMAR Sriram, TIEDGEN James, UTHAYACHANDRAN Pradeepan, VAIDYA Kaivan, WAN Mack, WONG Eugene, WONG Nelson, WONG Thomas, XU Wayne, ZHOU Yi.

### **Class 11F**

AKINCI Burak, CHEEMA Sadaat, CHEN Long, CHHOR Samuel, CHOW Alan, DANG Hieu, FLORES Adrian, HA Augustine, HU Kevin, KIM Kevin, KNOLL Avi, KWON Joon, LE Hai, LEE Alan, LEE Frederick, LEONG Kieran, LIU Kenny, LUONG Jordan, MASALEHDANI Michael, NGUYEN Andy, NI Davie, NITHIYENDRAN Ramesh, POPESCU Mihnea-Paul, TAO Michael, THAYAPARAN Miruthulan, TO Christopher, UDDIN Tanvir, WANG Teddy, WIJEYARATNE Ashan, YE George, ZHOU Muli, ZHOU Yi Fei.

### **Class 11J**

AFSHAR Soheil, ALI Rezwan, BANH Joe, BOULOS Iliya, BUI Minh, FANG Jason, GUO Steven, KIM Yo-Ha, LIU Bob, LU Jason, MAK Kevin, MEI Ting, NGUYEN Gregory, PHU Jack, QIAN Weir, TAAFFE Felix, TRAN David, TRAN Peter, TRINH Andrew, VERMA Rishubh, WU Daniel.

### **Class 11M**

ABEYSURIYA Romesh, AMILBANGSA Khalil, AMIN Faraz, BUDD Christopher, BURRELL Roger, CHANG Douglas, CHENG Ashley, CHONG Tony, DANG Henry, FUKUSHIMA Hiroshi, HO Kevin, HUANG Kenny, LEE Jongha, LEONG Andric, LEVY Michael, LI Richard, LIU Henry, MURRAY Julian, NGUYEN Vincent, QUAZI Tauseef, RAHMAN Mushfiq, ROSER Phillip, SZABO Alexander, THIEVIASINGHAM Daniel, THILLAINADESAN Senthil, WELANGODA Dylan, WONG Alan, WONG Bennett, YANG Quinton, ZHONG Tony, ZHOU Michael.

## *Class Lists*

### **Class 11R**

BARKER James, CAO David, CHAN Brian, CHEN Robin, CHEONG Benjamin, CHOW Benjamin, CHOWDHURY Rifat, d'AVIGDOR Lewis, FRISOLI Holden, FUNG Kaloon, GUNASEKERA Dinuka, HO Chung, JIANG John, LIN David, LU Angelo, LY Kin Jing, MAZID Taymur, NG Nicholas, OCIAS Alexander, RAHMAN Labib, RAJA Rahul, RODRIGO Christopher, SHIEH George, SU Dennis, SUN Jack, TU Cong, XU Yimin, YU Aolifu, ZHANG Simon, ZHANG William.

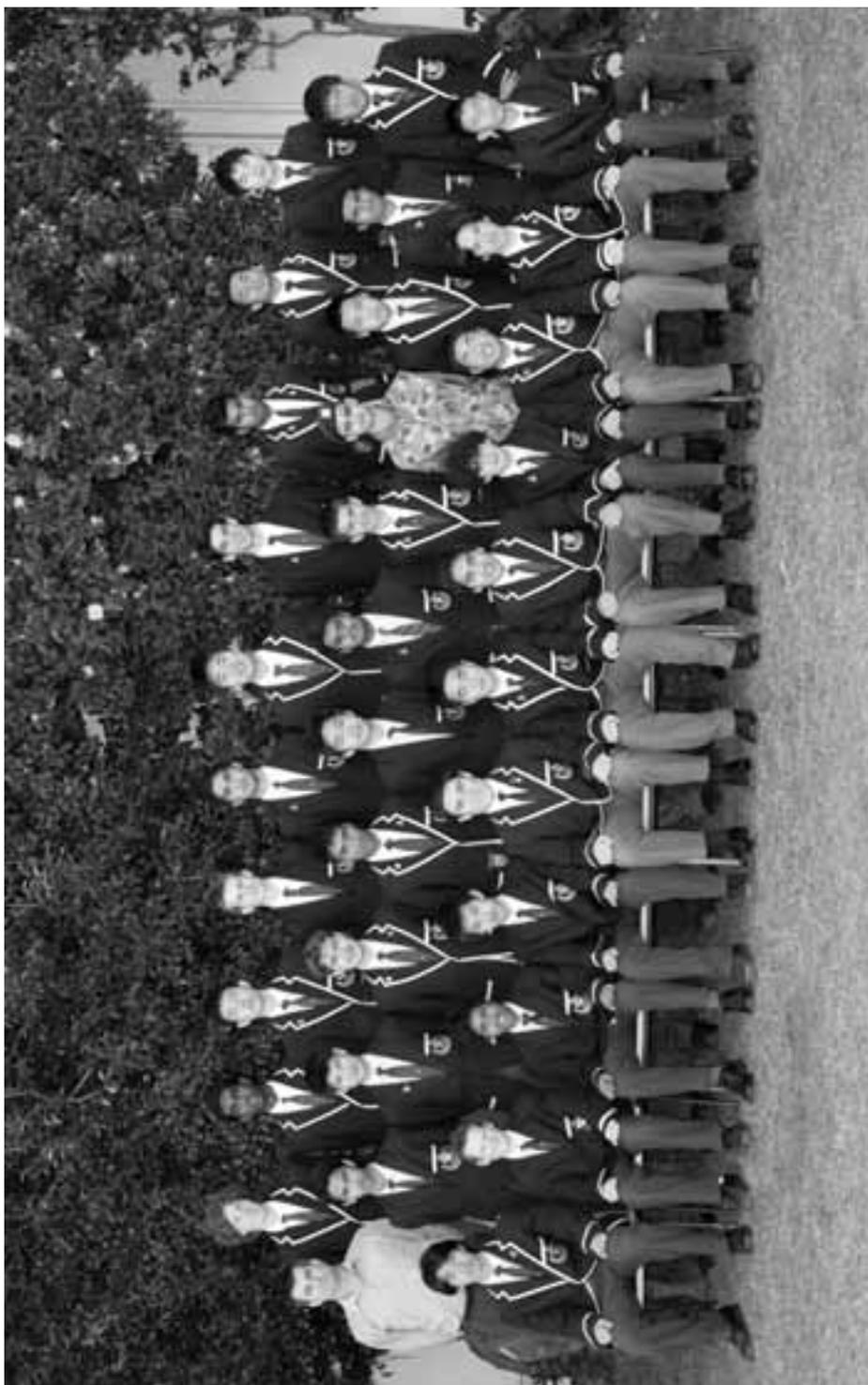
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CHAN Gary, CHAU Engleman, COUSINS Matthew, CURRAN Edward, DIEP Jason, HAN Joshua, HIBBERT Edward, HUSSAIN Yaseen, HUYNH Anthony, JAHJA Christopher, LAI Larry, LIEU Peter, LY Anthony, MANAMPERI Gajaba, MORGAN James, NOSSAR Mstislav, PANG Paul, PEARSON Rory, ROTHERHAM Riet, SAMARASINGHE Mark, SHI Andrew, SHU Timothy, SONG Daniel, SYED Sahir, SZABO Attila, TRAN Paul, TRAN Steve, WANG Peter, WONG Francis, WONG Matthew, ZHANG George.

### **Class 11T**

ARCHER James, BALASHOV Nikita, BLAXELL Eddy, CAO William, CHAN Dillon, CHEUNG Francis, CHONG Aaron, CUNNINGHAM Sandy, FARROW-PALMER Adam, FERNANDO Shane, GUPTA Arghya, GURUPARAN Giridhaar, HANNAN Nicholas, HUSSAIN Shafat, HUYNH Raymond, ISLAM Naziful, KARUNAKARAN Ajith, KOGAN Alex, LUI Victor, NELIATH Vinayak, PHAM Vinh, QIU Kelvin, RAZEEN Thariq, SHARMA Himanshu, SUKUMAR Amalesh, SUN Dale, TAN Tony, WANG Evans, WEI Victor, YEUNG Yuk-Lun, ZHOU Mi, ZINGER Gleb.

# Student Representative Council



## Student Representative Council

**Third Row:** E. Blaxell, V. De Silva, M. Chen, J. Barker, M. Farhat, D. Cao

**Second Row:** Mr P. Coan (MIC), M. Kayes, D. Lo, A. Shapilski, S. Singarayar (Treasurer), J. Nguyen, V. Peranathan, A. Amin, A. Ho, Y. Guo, R. George, D. Vien

**Front Row:** R. Xu, N. Lindeback, S. Ali, J. Liang, B. Wrench, K. Kim, C. Rodrigo, M. Phillis, A. Ly, Y. Yeung, E. Qui

# Peer Mediation and Peer Support



## Peer Mediation

**Back Row:** A. Huynh, Q. Yang, J. Diep, D. Cao, V. Wei, A. Chan, D. Naoumenko  
**Second Row:** S. Burke, F. Lee, E. Hibbert, S. Syed, R. Nithiyendran, H. Liu, D. Thieviasingham, A. Lui,  
M. Thayaparan, G. Manamperi  
**Front Row:** M. Razeen, N. Islam, F. Amin, Mrs B. Berger (TIC), R. Abeyesuriya, K. Mak, T. Razeen



## Peer Support

**Back Row:** A. Klocker, R. Pandit, D. Kumagaya, M. Chen, M. Farhat, M. Fetherston, A. Pham, S. Jia, J. Phu, R. Roca, M. Lui  
**Third Row:** J. Kok, M. Keldoulis, S. Chen, M. Coutts, G. Zhang, D. Blaxell, R. Yang, A. Wan  
**Second Row:** N. Tran, K. Tran, Y. Guo, M. Sin, A. Ng, L. Deacon, B. Sun, R. Xu, E. Deng, Y. Lin, W. Wu  
**Front Row:** P. Heo, S. Lou, G. Karunaratne, A. Vertoudakis, W. Zhang, E. Stadnik, D. Tran, L. Yang, D. Gunaratne

# School Notes

## Vale John Fittler

It was with great sadness that the School learned of the passing of John Fittler, our Head Teacher, Industrial Arts. Mr Fittler was a stalwart of Sydney High. He worked tirelessly for years to bring our intranet up to first rate standard. He was widely respected for his work with the cadet unit and dedication to target rifle shooters

## Old Boy Achievements

We congratulate old boys Anastasios Panagiotelis (Economics), Rhys Hardwick-Jones (Engineering) and Hilbert Chiu (History) as recent medallists from the University of Sydney. Costa Avgoustinos (2001) won third prize overall at Tropfest (2004) for his short film 'Yin', won the Sony Best Young Director Award and won the People's Choice category. Adam Pretty (1996) won his second Walkley Award for film photography. Stephen Hunt swam the Strait of Gibraltar in 3 hours 47 minutes in late July 2005 to set a new Australian Record for the crossing. Stephen swims to raise money and awareness for AIDS sufferers.

## Election of Prefects

The school executive agreed to a reform of the system of voting for School Prefects. The modifications were part of a raft of proposals negotiated. School Prefects will now be appointed by the Principal from a declared poll of eligible applicants. The first 36 plus ties will be appointed.

## Video and DVD Collection

Our Library began a video collection for students to borrow two years ago from scratch and it has been steadily diversifying our resources in this and others ways since. We now have a collection of 404 videos and DVDs. The amount spent on videos/DVD's this year was over \$2500.

## Gardening Bee

Many members of the school family have been very supportive of the gardening activities over a long period of time, including William Clegg and his mother Lynne and Philip Tripp and his family. A significant contribution to the progress and maintenance of our gardens occurred in September this year. There are plans for the improvement of other areas in the future.

## Traffic Flow and Safety

In our recent OH&S report from a consultant, the greatest hazard to our school community was road usage. Interactions between cars and pedestrians were considered most likely to cause death or serious injury. The school has now erected pedestrian crossing and speed signs. New speed humps were installed in critical areas. Frequently used crossing points were marked. These measures are designed to improve driver and pedestrian awareness of likely interface areas and dangers.

The OH&S Committee has prepared a submission to the RTA for permission to widen the driveway laybacks on gates 1, 2, 9 & 10. We have asked permission to create a second exit lane for gate two, allowing cars to exit by turning left or right on Cleveland Street. Our aim is to make vehicular entry and exit easier and safer.

## Open Day

We held our first Open Day for several years and a large number of staff and students made a significant effort to provide visitors with a rounded experience of what the school can do. LOTE staff and students fired up the food stalls. The Science Department brightened up the learning environment with displays and activities. The boys doing the tours were described as outstanding by visitors. One aspect of Open Day which was quite successful was the number of parents of students who had already gained entry to Year 7 using the occasion to familiarise themselves and their children with their new school. Nearly half the people attending were in this category.

## Refurbishment Works Completed

Room 402 was refurbished and carpeted and fitted with an interactive whiteboard and data projector. It will be a state of the art facility to start the new year of 2006. Book shelves were installed in the history and English book rooms to expand our storage capacity.

## Computers in Schools Upgrade

In the first semester of 2005, SBHS received its entitlement of 55 computer units (taken as servers, PCs or laptops) which were delivered, commissioned and installed to staffrooms and classrooms.

### **Data Points Installed in Science Labs**

As part of our ICT strategy for 2005, every science lab has a data point connection to allow teachers to deliver multimedia science lessons. Every science teacher will now be able to deliver more flexible lessons in the future as a result of this initiative. More data projectors and laptops will be required to make the delivery of AV and WAN resourced lessons more widespread.

### **The Darling Buds**

At the end of November the President of the Royal Society, Lord May of Oxford OM AC Kt, gave the Society's Anniversary address, marking also the end of his five year term at the head of this august body. During his address Lord May pointed out that one of his science teachers at High taught no fewer than eight fellows of the Society.

## **The High Club Limited**

In 2005 the Club donated \$25,000 to the School through the School Foundation. The donation was made to the SBHS Foundation Treasurer Mr Ken Clements when he attended the Club Board Meeting in June.

The Club's main activity is the investment of funds for the benefit of the School and its supporters. It was formed originally to operate licensed premises with a loan serviced by members. The operation became financially unviable. The premises were sold and the net proceeds invested to provide annual donations to the School, and to maintain the purchasing power of the investment base. Each year the use for the funds reflects the priorities of the Principal of the School.

The Club also holds a luncheon for members and friends of the School on the last Wednesday of each month. The 2006 location will be Waverley Bowling Club. Speakers sometimes address these gatherings, and anyone is welcome to come along.

The Club is managed by a Board of the following honorary directors:

Ken Baret  
Norman Lamerton  
Lorraine Wilson  
Bill Bowey  
Brian Abbott  
David Rosenfeld  
Marjorie Little  
Nick Armstrong

The Board is advised on financial matters by a Finance Sub-Committee of Norman Lamerton, Bill Bowey and Brian Abbott.

During the year the Club's Constitution was revised to reflect the change in emphasis of its main functions, and this work was organised mainly by Nick Armstrong.

Nick also arranged for the establishment of a High Club web site during the year, with the cooperation of the School.

# School Council President's Report 2005

The past year has been a productive one for the Council. It is a year that has witnessed the building of a foundation for a more effective role for the School Council in the life of Sydney Boys' High School.

I want to thank all members of the Council for their increased commitment to our meetings which has ensured the proper functioning of the Council as a representative body throughout 2004-2005.

## **Encouraging financial transparency within the school community**

One of the key achievements in the past year has been the use of the Council as a means of encouraging increased financial transparency and accountability within the school community.

The Council's ratification of the school's budget and the regular budget reporting by the Principal helps to ensure that the school community is committed to the many programs the school has to offer in both the short and long term.

The School Council also has input into the Building Fund Advisory Committee, a sub-committee of the Sydney High School Foundation which consists of the Principal, the treasurer of the Foundation and the presidents of the P&C, Foundation, OBU and School Council. Its role is to oversee and approve disbursements from the Centenary Building Fund in accordance with the disbursement formula that has already been approved by the School Council. The formula seeks to achieve a balance between expenditure on current maintenance and future capital expenditure.

Most recently the Council has encouraged the P&C in standardising the reporting, on a regular basis, of financial and other related management matters of its sporting sub-committees. This financial reporting is necessary for the sporting groups to access the income streams available from the annual parking allocations which are overseen by the Principal.

The Council has also seen the institution of a system of regular reporting to keep it up to date on the capital projects that are both proposed and underway around the School.

In the past year particular attention has been paid to the tennis courts redevelopment and this has involved much negotiation between various parts of the School community to get a proposal that can

go forward with the support of all and the approval of the Department of Education.

The increased transparency and the confidence that this will engender in the school community will place us in a good position to commence fund raising for the school's next important project the provision of much-needed new library facilities to commemorate the 125th anniversary of the School in 2008.

## **Communication**

The School Council is more than a vehicle for achieving financial transparency and communicating information about finances and grand plans. It also provides a broader forum for communication and the raising of ideas and concerns. Often no formal resolutions are required to achieve action. The past year has seen a re-examination of the timing of the annual Armidale trip as a result of concerns raised by the student members of the Council. We have also seen changes to the format of the Foundation Day commemorative assembly which will be implemented in 2005 and the amendment to the School discipline policy so that theft, misuse of safety equipment and vandalism are now offences that can lead to suspension. The Council has also provided a forum for discussion about other matters of interest to the School community including: sporting organisation, in particular athletics; the school's computer network and the needs of the library and archives.

## **Strategic planning process**

The strategic planning process has also been the subject of some attention from the Council in the past year. In particular I would like to express appreciation for the contribution of John Harkins in provoking and leading many of these discussions. The strategic plan, which is developed within the context of broader Departmental strategic plans, curriculums and government policies, sets out the School's mission, its statement of values, strategic objectives and the means of achieving these. The task of preparing the strategic plan has traditionally fallen to the Principal with input from various parts of the school family, including the School Council. An ongoing self assessment process has been proposed that will feed into the next strategic plan which is due to commence in 2007. I hope that this new process will serve us well as we move towards the development of a new plan in the course of 2006.

As an aside, and as a small contribution to this process I would like to indulge my interest in the history of the school by highlighting what I see as the core characteristics of the School that can be traced through its entire history. Each of these characteristics has manifested in different ways at different times. I would suggest the core characteristics of the school are:

- **Academic selection.** The selection criteria for entrance to the school have changed over the years. In some periods the academic component has been watered down, for example, by a narrowing of geographic boundaries and by family placement policies. But there has always been a competitive examination for entrance to the school. This process, I would argue, has always made the school a special environment which has allowed the boys to develop their own gifts and interests and merely to benefit from interaction with others similarly inclined;
- **Preparation of boys for University.** One of the School's primary aims has always been to prepare boys for University. This aim was limited in the early days by the fact that there was only one university in Sydney and that upfront fees were required unless a boy could obtain a scholarship. However, as early as 1885, the Headmaster of the day had to defend charges leveled at the School that it was displaying an improper "competitive eagerness" in preparing boys for the University entrance examinations. At this year's speech night, I was most impressed by Dr Jaggar's account of the placement of our most recent final year in tertiary institutions across the State.
- **Sporting participation.** Within less than three months of the foundation of the school, a number of boys were already participating in a rifle-shooting competition. Cricket and rugby followed in the next year and the first athletics carnival was held in 1886. At first the boys were chiefly responsible for sporting organisation. The first cricket team received £5 and the blessing of the Headmaster (who was a former intercolonial cricketer). Over the years we have witnessed the development of masters in charge of sport and teacher coaches, the support of parents in the creation of sporting sub-committees under the aegis of the P&C, and more recently the engaging of professional coaches.
- **Availability of the school to those who might not otherwise be able to enjoy such schooling.**

In the 1880s the school was educating the children of migrants from the British Isles who came to Sydney seeking a better life. From the 1930s into the 1960s we were educating the children of Eastern Europeans who had fled the horrors of the Holocaust. In more recent years we have seen an influx of boys whose parents have come from Asia to contribute to Australian society. Each group has added, and continues to add, to the school's unique culture.

I would like to see more discussion about which of the school's characteristics we value and how we would like to embrace, nurture and develop them into the future.

### The Future

What should our aims be for the coming year?

Personally I would like to see the Council's communication role developed further in 2006 - I would like to see a better use of the school's website to communicate the work of the School Council to the broader school community. I would also like to see a strengthening of the relationships between the various groups in the school community. In particular there is a need to improve school community perceptions of the Foundation and its objects. I would like to see us find a way of embracing and maybe even harnessing the ethnic diversity of the School Community.

I would also like to see us capitalise on the financial transparency we are seeking to achieve so that we can encourage a much needed culture of giving in the School and, more importantly, commence fund-raising for the library project.

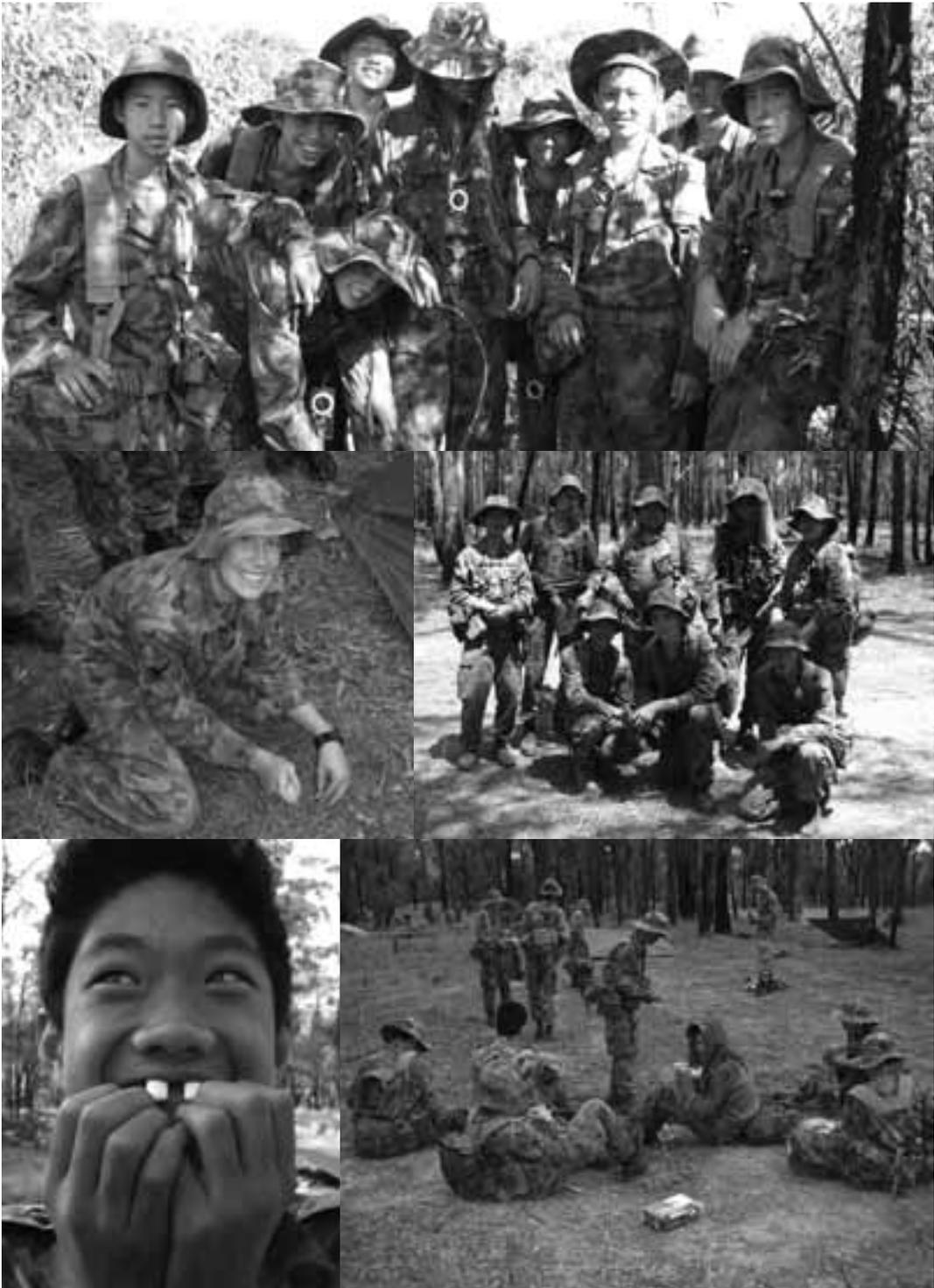
However, that said, the President's role is principally to chair the meetings of the School Council and not to impose a personal agenda. This report is my one piece of indulgence for the year. I can promise you that. I will not be leading any crusades. I would be happy if the members of the Council saw fit to pursue any of the themes I have raised in this report, but, the Council is first and foremost a forum for the members of the School Community and it is up to us all to make the most of the opportunities membership of the Council presents to us for the benefit of the whole school. With goodwill and commitment, which I know we are all capable of, I hope we can go on to further achievements in 2006.

**Joseph Waugh**  
**President**

## Cadets – Battalion Bivouac in 2005



# Holsworthy Bivouac 2005



# Chess

This year High entered five teams in the NSW Junior Chess League competition. Our Opens team (Ronald Yu, Munir Alam, Anthony Chau and Jason Cohn) came second in the state to Knox and ahead of Sydney Grammar, Girraween, Fort Street and James Ruse. Our Junior team came a very close second to Newington in the Metropolitan East region.

Very powerful "Fritz 8" chess software has been installed on the school's computer system and several chess coaching videos are now available in the library.

Our teams this year included:

## Open

Ronald Yu, Munir Alam, Anthony Chau, Jason Cohn, Dominic Wong (res)

## Senior

William Cao, Joe Bahn, Taymur Mazid, Frederick Lee, James Barker (res), Michael Zhou (res)

## Inter A

Caly Yang, Roy Wong, Simon Liu, Simon Yang, Sean Lee (res), Alex Shapilsky (res)

## Inter B

Simon Ting Arun Isaandasamy, Alex Yeung, Albert Kim

## Junior

Steven Zheng, Charley Peng, Derek Trang, Timothy Yu, Declan McRea-Steele (res)

## C Harvey

## MIC



### Chess Club

**Back Row:** F. Lee, J. Phu, M. Masalehdani, J. Barker, W. Cao

**Second Row:** D. Wong, S. Yang, (D. Blaxell), M. Wan, C. Yang, J. Banh, Mr C. Harvey (MIC Chess)

**Front Row:** S. Zheng, A. Yeung, T. Yu, D. McCrea-Steele, R. Wong, C. Peng, S. Lee

## Obituary: Captain (ACC) John Fittler

John Fittler died in Sydney on February 10, 2005, aged 60. He served in the Australian Army Reserve between 1962 and 1982, and was commissioned in the Sydney University Regiment in 1966. His service included 39 Air Dispatch Platoon, 5 Water Transport Platoon and 33 Transport Platoon.

After graduating from university, John began his teaching career. He was appointed an Officer of Cadets in 1968, commencing at Birrong, before transferring to Ingleburn and later Crows Nest High School Cadet Unit. He ceased his involvement with the Army Cadets in 1976, after the withdrawal of Commonwealth support for cadets. In 1998, shortly after he started teaching at Sydney Boys High School, John received a phone call from Lady Cutler, calling on behalf of Sir Roden, an Old Boy of the School. John had, at one time, served as Aide-de-Camp to Sir Roden, then Governor of NSW. Lady Cutler told John that Sir Roden had become aware that the Sydney High School Cadet Unit was having some difficulty finding a new Commanding Officer, and asked John to resume his involvement with the Australian Defence Force Cadets. John served in this role until his death.

John made a lasting contribution to rifle shooting, particularly in promoting junior shooting both in Australia and overseas. John Fittler was dedicated to helping talented young athletes pursue their careers in their chosen sport, and his enthusiasm gave many young people the opportunity to represent their Cadet Unit, their School or even their country.

He had a long-term commitment to high school sport, at one time being assigned to help administer the Combined High School Sports Association.

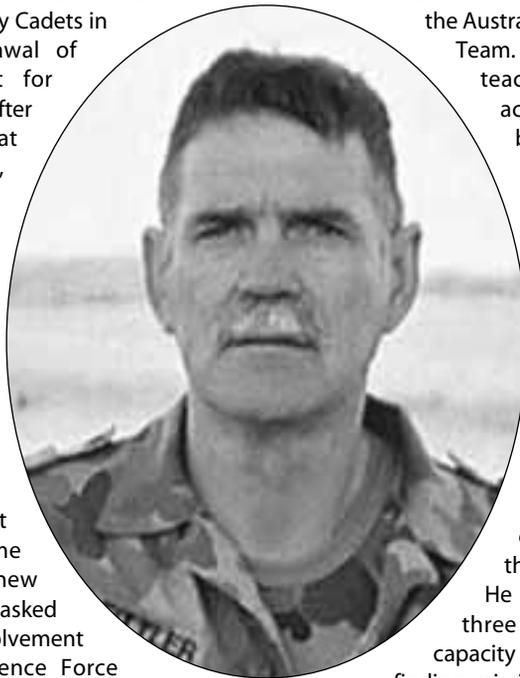
John was Head Teacher of Industrial Arts at Sydney

Boys' High School. In addition to his teaching, John was also in charge of the School's IT infrastructure and a member of the School Council for several years. John also helped preserve school traditions, arranging to have old shooting and cadet trophies, memorabilia and photographs restored and put on display.

John became MIC Shooting at Sydney Boys High School in 2000, taking over at an exciting time, as Sydney High prepared to send a contingent of students to the United Kingdom as part of the Australian Schools Combined Rifle Team. He was one of a number of teachers and parents who accompanied this team, of both male and female students, to Bisley, the home of the shooting sports in the United Kingdom.

John's visit to Bisley in 2000, and particularly what he saw with respect to the British Cadet Shooting Program, inspired him to lobby for cadets in Australia to be given the opportunity to participate in the sport of target shooting. He was to visit Bisley another three times, once in a private capacity in what he termed a "fact finding mission," developing a range of useful contacts within British shooting and military circles. He travelled to Bisley in 2002 as Team Commandant of the first official Australian Defence Force Cadet Rifle Team, and returned again in 2004 as National Coach and Selector with the second Australian Cadet Team. John had commenced planning for his next Bisley trip shortly before he died.

Aside from his interest in cadet shooting, John coached students from Sydney Boys High School in the sport of target shooting, taking them to ranges across NSW and the ACT to compete in matches. His hours on the range contributed significantly to the team's success in the annual schools' competitions



in both 2001 and 2003. As well as coaching, John participated in the sport, sometimes competing alongside his students in competitions. He was a member of the Rail and Tramways Institute Rifle Club at Malabar, and thoroughly enjoyed the challenge of long-range marksmanship.

John's sad death has touched many people. His has left a lasting contribution to the students he taught, coached and mentored in cadets, rifle shooting and other programs such as the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme. He helped drive the renewed

interest in rifle shooting in the Australian Defence Force Cadets, a legacy that will in future see many more young Australians given the opportunity to compete internationally.

It is an old shooting saying that when someone passes away they've "*gone to Bisley*". In John's case this is particularly apt. In John's final years he loved the pulse of Bisley Camp, the traditions it represented and valued the friendships and camaraderie. He is sadly missed.

Nathan Scudder

## **Eulogy for Mr John Fittler by Dr K A Jaggar**

### **At his funeral held on 20 February 2005 at Steele Barracks, Moorefield**

This afternoon as we gather to remember the life of John Fittler, I would like to express the deep sadness felt by all those at Sydney Boys High at the passing of a fine staff member and an admired and respected person. Our heartfelt sympathies go to his wife Jeanette and his family. We share your grief. We can feel something of your loss.

John cared deeply about nurturing the talent of the students at High. He demonstrated his commitment in numerous acts of support and encouragement. I remember the dedication he showed in promoting the major works of his Industrial Technology and Design & Technology students. Some remarkable products resulted from the close partnership of teacher and student. Our stained glass window at the head of the stairs in the main building was an original HSC project backed by John and installed in its intended place by his efforts. There are many other examples. An original aluminium rifle stock, a hard chine sailing dinghy, a land yacht and various furniture designs were created by our students under John's tutelage. He sought out talent in the curriculum areas he managed and argued forcefully to allow his protégés to enter the courses – often despite the objections of senior management. He pioneered whole class subject acceleration at High with the very successful IPT class of 2002. His courage in driving the initiative through to the end was a path finding achievement. Other Head Teachers have learnt from his experience and initiated subject acceleration interventions for their departments too.

John defended the cause of Engineering Studies as a subject essential for students wishing to follow tertiary studies in Engineering. He argued that in the new HSC with its diminished emphasis on computational physics, Engineering Studies provides the foundation that students in tertiary studies need. John was sensitive to feedback from old boys about the value to them of having studied the subject at High. He took a strategic view of learning. He prepared his students by promoting technical drawing electives in stage 5 studies. He encouraged his staff to challenge students in the discipline and provided them with the tools to do so. High's results over the last five years have been high quality, including a recent first in state.

John took care of his staff. Once he took possession of a dusty, smelly leaky glorified storeroom in 2001, he turned it into not just a staff room but a retreat, complete with all the home comforts of fridge, stove, microwave, computers, scanners, photocopiers, lounge chairs and TV for Faculty Meetings. The IA staff were envied by others because of all the equipment and extras they had – which always seemed to be the latest and always seemed to work! He formed close attachments to those in his immediate circle, belying the somewhat taciturn demeanour of his public persona. He played his cards close to his chest. He even managed to buffer his staff from many of the accountability requirements that I chased him for, forever engaged on an important mission for the school or its people. He operated on Fittler time, where a year was of a

very flexible length. Oddly, he delivered on most things, plus or minus an earth year or three.

John was a visionary as a Network Manager. He convinced me in 2000 that our deficits in information and communication technology could be remedied if we concentrated principally on building the network backbone. His inspired decision to recruit James Rudd to help him showed his knack for identifying and recruiting talent. His management style was along the lines of the Lone Ranger and Tonto, always on the move, always with a mission to save someone or something in distress, but John and James did the job and brought our infrastructure up to best practice level. John fought the DET for over a year to be allowed to host our own website and to bring School Family web sites onto our server. He scrapped Pegasus in favour of webmail for internal communication. He recently made the decision to protect our network by installing new companion servers. Sometimes staff were frustrated by his single minded dedication to the main game. They complained of computers that did not work, or software that would not function, but John stuck to the core business and saw the job through over the last six years. His achievement will be remembered for a long time at High.

John was an excellent financial manager. He followed the management principle – trust me, it will be all right by the end of the financial year. In a maddening way for some, it always was. He managed annual budgets for the network, Industrial Arts, cadets and rifle shooting to the value of more than \$150k. We never knew what was going on at any given time, but he would sit down with Gayl in November and sort things out to the auditor's satisfaction. He was the consummate car parking organiser. He was the cuckoo who took over any faltering group's nest, mobilising his troops on short notice to do the fourth day of a January test or a sudden expo or international sporting contest. He always managed to get more than his allocated slice of the parking pie because he was motivated, dedicated and available.

John believed in tradition, history and the GPS. All his staff engaged in GPS sport. He led from the front with dedicated involvement in school affairs. He served on the School Council where he staunchly defended the traditions of the school. He was a vital member of the OH & S committee with his background in cadet and rifle shooting safety management. He single-handedly rescued the

archives of the Combined High Schools sporting association from Randwick North and secreted them in all the spare nooks and crannies at High. He had a long association with this organisation. His administrative skills revitalised it earlier in his career. He collected cadet memorabilia for the archives and stored shields and trophies he fancied. He felt keenly that an institution's history was bound up in its symbols and records.

John was an inspirational leader in the sport of rifle shooting. He put a huge amount of time into training the boys. He shot competitively along side them at Malabar. He acted as mentor and guide and father figure and confidant. He was the driving force behind three GPS premierships. He gave some sporting credibility to High in a lean time for premierships. He toured with the boys to country shooting competitions in Lithgow, Canberra or Wingham. He organised biennial tours to Bisley in England for the Queen's Shoot. He arranged for his charges to meet the Duke of Edinburgh on one trip. He was a bundle of nervous energy out at Hornsby on GPS Shoots, peering into his telescope and offering encouragement or advice to sighters or the next shooter to go to the mound. There was always drama, tension and great team discipline surrounding the successes at sport he managed. He was a true believer and he could inspire followers. He was respected both nationally and internationally for his abilities as a rifle shooting coach.

His work with Cadets saved the activity at High and brought it up to its now robust state. John's paperwork and organisational skills surrounding cadets were first rate. His prime concern was for the safety of the boys. He worked tirelessly to promote their leadership aspirations by nominating targeted boys for training courses. John's latest mission was to unite cadet and rifle shooting efforts. He arranged for a cadet team of rifle shooters to go to Bisley. They were well looked after by the British Army, saving accommodation, transport and ammunition costs for the trip.

John Fittler was a man of pride and vision. He was a tall, strong man with military bearing. He had a good heart. He was an upright, honest person in every dealing I had with him. I can only speculate that a combination of recent events brought him to the point where he could only see his immediate future as a choice between dying on his feet or living on his knees. He chose the former. I can understand why. We will all miss him.

## Vale – Mitchell Seow – Class of 2005

*Although the passing of Mitchell Seow on 14 January 2006 was noted at length in The Record 2006, the Editor of this publication felt it was fitting to include the following in this edition of The Record.*

*Mitchell was a much loved member of the Sydney High community and given that this publication has been produced retrospectively, it is appropriate to reproduce the following for the benefit of his classmates – the Class of 2005.*

2006 began solemnly when we were informed of the death of Mitchell Seow.

Dr Jaggar wrote:

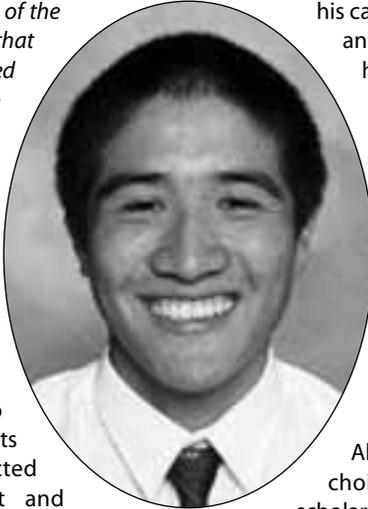
On behalf of the Seow family and the staff at High, I would like to commend all the current students and Old Boys who conducted themselves with such respect and dignity at Mitchell's funeral. I have had requests from several friends of the Seows and from staff members, to publicly recognise their appreciation for your support, dress and demeanour. So many boys in full school uniform, with an avenue of oars aloft, marking the way as an honour guard for the hearse as it made its way from the church, was very impressive. It was a deeply moving occasion and people have remarked to me since how proud it made them feel to be associated with this school. The school has established a trust fund to finance a suitable memorial for Mitchell.

Reproduced below are eulogies which were given by Dr Jaggar; Mitchell's brother, Nicholas; the 2005 School Captain, Damith Fonseka and Mitchell's best friend, Bryan Wrench.

### Eulogy by Dr Jaggar

Mitchell had a passion for life. He was brimful of energy and good humour. He was one of a kind, characterised by his big grin, sharp mind, ebullient personality and distinctive gait. His body language was unflinching positive, confident, even cocky on occasion. I enjoyed interacting with him on many occasions in a wide variety of contexts.

He was among High's best and brightest. He successfully accelerated in IPT in 2003. He won a



Prize in the Business Studies Competition in 2005. He played a part in the starcrossed 2003 Commonwealth Bank Junior Debating team that made the state final. He could certainly argue

his case well in one-on-one situations. He and I had several discussions about how he was best able to maximise his UAI by doing certain combinations of courses and putting in what amount of time for what probable result. He listened acutely and persisted with his questioning until he had all the information from me (and others) that he wanted. That his judgement was well considered and accurate is evidenced by his fine HSC results and outstanding UAI. He made the All Rounders List and was offered a choice of prestigious university scholarships.

Mitchell was always 'amped up' on the football field, ready to rip into the opposition. He played sport with 100%

commitment. He was valued by team mates in the top grades of football as one who would not take a backward step and strove until the end. The thrill of the competition inspired him. He gave his all whether playing in junior tennis teams, rowing in senior crews or having a go in open GPS swimming. He was an excellent team man and a leader who modelled the right behaviour.

In 2005, Mitchell fulfilled his duties as a School Prefect with zeal. He contributed as an SRC representative each year. I remember clearly his occasional appearances at School Council meetings in Year 11. He was articulate, thoughtful and mature. He was certainly a fine role model admired by staff and his peers. He represented the school at formal, sporting and social occasions with poise.

Mitchell was a concerned citizen. His committed work in charity fund raising was admirable. His dedication to school service was acknowledged. He wore his uniform with pride and showed he cared about his school. In short, he was a very accomplished all rounder who epitomised the ethos of the school.

In the unfathomable lottery of life and death, there is a cruel irony that sometimes the names of those who are getting the most out of living are drawn out, and they are then perversely given the least time to experience it. Such was the circumstance with Mitchell. If the worth of someone's life is measurable against standards of maximising potential, giving of one's self to others and living life to the full, then Mitchell was a special person, who could hardly have been involved any more than he was.

His short but eventful life held great promise. He was on the brink of starting a new and exciting phase of it. Now, so sadly, he has become like one of Keats' protagonists on the Grecian urn, cut short and time warped in the very act of fulfilled living. His life's example serves as a lesson to us all not to squander our opportunities. Undoubtedly, he would have taken every one of his, but now can not. On behalf of the wider school community I extend our deepest sympathies to Mitchell's family in this most melancholy time. For our part, we undertake to preserve Mitchell's memory at High. His was a life well lived.

**Dr Jaggar**

## Eulogy by Nicholas Seow

We still don't know exactly what happened to Mitch. His passing is a terribly unfair and seemingly random event that has robbed our household of a great deal of the sunshine and happiness. Mum, Dad and I have been in total shock since it happened. It still feels like he could walk through the front door.

Mitch was born on the 2nd of April, 1987. Mum always said that she made sure he wasn't born a day earlier. He's lived with us in Sans Souci all his life, my younger brother by five years.

Mitch went to Sans Souci preschool and then to Sans Souci Public School. He's always been a very active person, running around and playing sports but always keeping his mind active too. Mitch transferred to the Opportunity Class at Caringbah North Primary before going on to spend six years at Sydney Boys High School.

Mitch had a life threatening head injury while at Sans Souci Public, but insisted on returning to school soon after getting out of hospital to do a math competition, in which he scored 100%.



Mitch was able to play chess before he started kindergarten. When he went from Sans Souci Public School

to Caringbah North, the headmaster would keep him after school to try and beat him. He never could, and Mitch left that school with a trophy for top scorer in the Sutherland Shire.

Mitch had a wide variety of interests, including soccer, rowing, weightlifting, tennis, debating and public speaking. He also shared some of my interests. Mitch had great success in everything he did, winning awards or topping subjects every year at SBHS. He played multiple representative sports every year, as well as being on debating teams for many years and being a Prefect and SRC representative. His rowing crew were the crew to break the SBHS decades-long drought in placing at the Head of the River Rowing Regatta.

Mitch passed away at a friend's birthday party in the park at Blues Point on 14 January 2006. Mitch was a shining light in many peoples' lives and I know his not being with us leaves a great hole.

Mitch was a fun loving, honest and genuine person. He was happy almost all the time, but got straight to the point when he saw something that was not right. He always stuck up for his friends. He loved kidding around, making jokes and acting silly. He burned the candle at three ends, always out doing things or talking over the internet with 10 people at once.

Mitch always seemed to be having a great time at school with his millions of friends and all of the roles he committed himself to. He's so proud of his school blazer, with his lines, pockets and badges. He used to fuss over how the badges should look and ask me how to position them. I've heard from people that Mitch thought he could never live up to my achievements. I feel the converse is true.

I always tried to help Mitch and give him advice where I could, but he was better than me at things. I remember when we were little and were given two soccer balls. Mitch was a natural. He could never quite show me how it was done.

Mitch had the world at his feet. He just received two scholarship offers, one from UNSW and one from USyd. He had already decided to take the UNSW one, but turned up to the free breakfast for USyd scholarship recipients anyway. I'm glad I taught him

what some of the important things in life are. I don't know how I'll cope without my best buddy in the whole world. I thought we'd make it through life together. I could always talk to Mitch about anything, and no matter what happened to me, Mitch would always be there when I got home, or eventually, after he came back from poker or a party.

I've believed for years that one of the most important things in life is to have the largest positive impact on the world and people around you. I don't know how I'll ever come anywhere close to what Mitch has done. He's been a shining light in so many peoples' lives, especially mine.

We should be thankful to have had such a fantastic human being share his life with us. His aura of happiness and optimism was always infectious, and may it stay with us. May we follow his example of striving hard and being excellent to each other.

## **Eulogy by Damitha Fonseka, School Captain, 2005**

To laugh often and love much, to win the respect of peers, to appreciate beauty, to give one's self, to leave the world a bit better, to have played and laughed with enthusiasm, to know even one life has been easier because you have lived – that is to have succeeded.

There are so many lives here that have been easier because of Mitchell; so many people who have been touched by him at some point in their lives. As last year's School Captain, I'd like to speak on behalf of the Sydney High students who spent some of their most important years with Mitch, growing up with him within the walls of the school, in the classrooms and on the playgrounds.

There is a picture that will forever be painted in my mind of Mitchell walking around at school with his blazer and infectious smile, laughing and enjoying the time we had together as mates. He was a generous friend and a dedicated and well-rounded student of Sydney High, a person like no other I've met in my life.

But on top of his marks, his sporting trophies or his Prefect badge, I'd say that his most important and significant achievement in life was the brilliant friend he was able to be to all of us. To be such an all round achiever and then a wonderfully down-to-earth guy, to me, is a true measure of how successful

he was in life. And today he is yet again teaching us a lesson on how we should make the most of our time here, to strive for excellence and surround ourselves with friends.

It sometimes seemed unfair that one person could achieve so seemingly effortlessly across so many fields.

But you could never say that about Mitch, who was always modest in his triumphs. While I struggled to decide what I would do after School, I jealously watched as Mitch intricately planned out his future on a map to success. He knew what he wanted and how he would get it. To lose someone with such dynamism and commitment to life can only be described as unfair, or even morally wrong. But we all must be inspired by Mitchell's attitude. Apart from fantastic memories of an amazing person, Mitch has left us with an ideal – an ideal of how to succeed and reach your goals; an ideal of how to be a friend who gives beyond generosity and cares for those around him: a model of how to live.

Ladies and gentlemen, finally I'd just like to say, that to play the role of a friend is such an enormous and beautiful task in life. Mitchell did it so well and to so many people and I thank God that he was brought here to each of our lives. I know he's in good hands now, and I know he'll always be with us, because no one can take away the time we had with him. I know that all of us Sydney High students will remember him in our prayers, and think about him whenever we drive past school and how much he loved that place. I know also that we will all take an important lesson away. There's not one High boy here, who didn't at some point during the last few weeks think to himself, "Wow, that could've been me." I've realised that there's just no time to frown or complain. He left us with an example of how to live. I hope that even through our lows we remember how blessed we are; that even in our darkest times, we listen not to the words of our enemies, but to the silence of our friend, Mitchell.

## Eulogy by Bryan Wrench

We're here to mourn the tragic loss of Mitchell Seow, not only my best mate, but a good mate to all the people he knew. Mitchell was the hardest working person I knew when it came to academia. To get 99.65 in your UAI doesn't come easily, especially when juggling GPS sport, Prefect duties and School duties which he did remarkably well. It was his tenacity to succeed and to accept nothing but the best that made him perform so well in school. However this trait is not why he was so well liked and what made him such a great guy.

I suppose the quality that I really admired about him and what made him so well liked, was his good nature. He always tried to do well among other people, such as not ditching people or talking too much gossip. He always tried to do what was right. But this was easier said than done. The important thing though was that he tried to do the good thing! And for the most part, he was successful, which earned the respect of many peers as seen here today. He was also a great sportsman because of his will to never give in.

All in all, Mitchell was one the best blokes and mates ever to have. He had dreams to become a ten million dollar businessman, owning mansions across the world. However, life has unexpected turns. Even though he didn't live his dreams, he left us on the top of his game, well loved within the school, a high UAI, a well respected Prefect and a friend to all. I loved him like a brother and will always.

I'd like to thank you, Mitchell, for all the good experiences we have had together and know that I am a better person because of you. I've learnt so much from you, as you claim you have from me, but I found this was more of a one way street, as I've learnt more from you. You always stood by me, and you were always the guy to come check up on me, when no one else would. I'll always remember your big cheesy grin, Mitchell, which made you such a character. It's been a pleasure and a privilege to have known you.

Thank you.



***Tournament of Minds***

***Back Row:*** D. Naumenko, J. Byrnes, E. Lu, J. Banh  
***Front Row:*** J. Aclis, C. McKay, A. Jurisevic, A. Ghose, J. Wong



***Titration Team***

***Back Row:*** A. Sarkar, J. Tsao, B. Hansra, V. Talluri, V. Desai, H. Chen, S. Puthi, Mr M. Smith (MIC)  
***Front Row:*** M. Wan, J. Zhang, G. Ngo, A. Cheng, O. Salem, S. Fernando ***Absent:*** A. Vairav, J. Kang

# Foundation Day Assembly 2005

Distinguished guests, parents of our Prefects Elect, Old Boys, supporters of High, staff and students. Good morning and welcome to the 122nd Founders' Day Assembly. We are pleased to have with us as our special guest, distinguished Old Boy Dr Paul Jonson, who will deliver the occasional address. We are gathered today to commemorate October 1, 1883 when the first 46 students began their schooling at High. Our Prefects Elect are also here to become part of the official history of the school by accepting the call to a prestigious office. They have survived a searching process of qualification extending over five years and a recent election to reach the point of induction here today. In a break with tradition the 36 School Prefects are elected, not 'appointed' by the Principal, reflecting a desire by the school community for more transparency in the process. Three electoral colleges were established to attempt to equalise the weighting of votes from Year 10, Year 11 and the staff and 2005 Prefects combined. Staff votes have a weighting of 2. The system produces at least 180 votes in each electoral college. In another change, our elected captain, Adam Farrow-Palmer and his deputy Kevin Kim, were invited to liaise with our MIC of Prefects, Mr. Kesting, to select as Senior Prefect a person most suitable to carry out the demanding role and work with them as a team. They chose Phillip Roser. I congratulate all School Prefects on their previous contributions and look forward to them really making a difference in their final four terms of secondary schooling. By investing School Prefects and honouring the academic, sporting, civic, leadership, spiritual and social values that motivate us, this ceremony connects us to our traditions and founding principles in a very demonstrable way. Early next year the Prefects will be asked to sign the School Prefects Book, linking them to more than 50 years of continuous leadership history.

Forty years ago High was facing an uncertain academic future with the last Leaving Certificate class graduating in 1965. The new Higher School Certificate was an unknown quantity and there was a sense of being part of an end of an era. The previous matriculation examination was the University Senior in place from 1884 to 1912. The Leaving Certificate lasted longer from 1913 to 1965 with a provision for repeat candidates in 1966. The

Higher School Certificate has been the credential ever since 1967 but with a major revision in 2001 that changed its character completely. As a school we are only just really coming to terms with the ramifications of that major change. The essence of it is a shift in some courses from analysis or computation to synthesis or description. Sophisticated literacy is the currency of high achievement under the 'new' HSC.

The Headmaster of the time, Mr Callaghan, reflected on the contribution that a Sydney High education had made to the lives of the 5,041 High students who had successfully completed the Leaving Certificate up until that time. He summed it up as "academic success, vocational and professional opportunity, a share of their character formation, sport, social life, attitudes, lessons direct and indirect". He described it further as a "debt" owed by Old Boys to the school. As Headmaster he felt 'delight' at the level of gratitude expressed by Old Boys he met for the school and the teachers of their day. He was impressed by the Old Boys sense of pride in their school and their interest in its continuing success. Mr Callaghan was moved to remark that no matter if the exit credential changes ... "its true significance however will still be the same - its real worth will stem from what the student has put into his years at school." In his Speech Night annual report, the Headmaster averred that "while the attention paid to academic qualifications was exceedingly important...every schoolboy should aim at a well rounded personality and take advantage of a variety of activities in the school". I wonder how often over the years, Heads have used similar expressions to attempt to inspire their charges to become more engaged with the culture of their school? Mr Howard could not accuse High of being 'values free'.

There is often a sense of ambivalence when I assess the impact of tradition on this institution. On the one hand there is a deeply comforting understanding that the ethos and culture of High have stood the test of time and have been praised by generations of former students. There is an obvious logic in maintaining what is manifestly a winning structure for producing a range of highly desirable outcomes. A strong connection to the past can provide us with meaning for the present and a blueprint for the future. There is something solid

about traditional buildings and rituals and celebrations that support the idea of culture maintenance as a necessary goal of any administrator of this school. On the other hand, it is easy to succumb to the forces of complacency and inertia. Because the school is seen as prestigious and demand for enrolments is strong and academic results are consistently impressive, why do we need to change anything? Why not do what we did last year? Old Boys quite often remark that the current students have so many more advantages than they did in terms of facilities and resources? Does that mean we should not be helped to make them even better for the next generation?

These dangers are real and they can lead to a tendency to rationalise away as aberrations things that may be less than what might be called best practice.

At High we need to embody the philosophy of continuous improvement. It might be seen by some as a chore to evaluate targeted programs, policies or processes to determine how well they are working or how relevant they are or how they could be made more effective or efficient. It might be deemed by others as unnecessary to establish written structures and compile manuals for implementing programs and policies. Yet others might see an insistence on

data gathering through surveys or quality circles or focus groups or forums or results analyses as intrusive and burdensome. Nevertheless, the new realities are ones that have evidence for their existence.

They are not defined by atmospheric or nostalgic calls to revive 'glory days' or smug assertions that everything is travelling well because some persons in positions of power postulate that it is. It is not enough to know why we are doing things to enhance school outcomes, we also have to show that what we have done has had some effect. Measurable accountability is the issue.

High is a very good school indeed but it could be a great one. We have the foundation of our traditions to build upon. We have a great deal of capacity in our gifted students. We have abundant energy and expertise in our staff, parents, old boys and supporters. What we need is to work together better to make more of a difference.

These fine young men we are inducting today are very real evidence of what the school produces. They are connected through their ethos, office and actions to our founders' values and aspirations. I congratulate them and wish them well.

**Dr K A Jaggard**

## Founders Day Assembly – Guest Speaker

### Introduction of Guest Speaker

Dr. Paul Jonson is the Deputy Chief Executive Officer and Director of Academic Programme, at Sport Knowledge Australia, the Australian government's international centre for excellence in sport science and management. He is also an Associate Professor in the School of Leisure Sport and Tourism, University of Technology Sydney

Paul attended Sydney Boys High from 1966 to 1971. He then went to Sydney University where he graduated with a Bachelor of Arts Degree with Honours and a Bachelor of Laws.

He practiced as a solicitor in his own firm for twelve years and after completing a Graduate Diploma in Leisure Studies at the Kuring-gai College of Advanced Education, became an academic in 1990, completing his Doctor of Philosophy in the area of

Law for Leisure Sport and Tourism in 2001.

He is the Chair of the World Leisure Commission for Law and Policy and the author of the Sao Paulo Declaration on Leisure and Globalisation for which he received a UNESCO Participation Grant in 2001. He is also the author of *Tourism Law in Halsbury's Laws of Australia*. In 1993 Paul received a Teaching Excellence Award, from the University of Technology Sydney and in 1998 Paul was awarded the Australian University Teaching prize.

He represented Australia and NSW in Touch Football and was the President of the New South Wales Touch Association from 1988 to 1993 and President, of the Australian Touch Association from 1990 to 1994. From 1982-88 he was Honorary Solicitor, for the Australian Touch Association Inc and from 1980- to 1993 Honorary Solicitor, for the New South Wales Touch Association Inc

He is a former Director of the NSW Sport and Recreation Industry Training Advisory Board and a founding Director of Youth Challenge Australia. He is a passionate supporter of the Wallabies and a keen but very average golfer.

### Dr Jonson's Speech:

"Good afternoon.

About three years ago a group of eight of my old Sydney High school mates and I went to Adelaide to watch Australia play Namibia in a Rugby World Cup match. It was a very special occasion for one reason in particular, another High Old boy, Chris Whitaker was going to become only the third SHS old boy to Captain the Wallabies. Boys, were we ever proud! There we were dressed in our bright yellow touring jumpers to witness a significant historical sporting moment for us and this wonderful School. As luck would have it, another former Sydney High old boy, a leading sport photographer, Col Whelan, was working at the game. When I saw Col, I took the initiative to wander down to the boundary fence and called out to him. I introduced myself and asked him if he could organise a photo to be taken of us old boys with Chris at the end of the game. He gave me some instructions which we duly followed and we had our photo taken with Chris Whitaker – captain of the Wallabies and Sydney High old boy! I can assure you, that photograph is a treasured memento. However, the reason I am telling you this story on this very special occasion to which I am honoured to be invited and speaking, relates to what happened afterwards and a conversation I had.

The photo was taken some half an hour after the game finished and as we were heading towards the ground exit two fellows approached us and said: "Excuse me, but do you mind telling us how come you had that photo taken with Chris Whitaker?"

We told him them the story and the elder fellow replied: "Well that's fantastic because he's my son and this is my other son, Ben, who is also an SHS old boy". We then had the long and enjoyable conversation relevant to today's proceedings.

At that time, as now, the regular captain, George Gregan, was under a good deal of criticism for his play, with many suggesting he should be replaced by "Whits". We put the proposition to Mr Whitaker and Ben and somewhat to our surprise, both said – "You cannot drop George – his leadership is too

valuable to the Wallabies!" I'll come back to this, but just to finish off the story of the Adelaide adventure, after we said goodbye to the Whitakers and headed off to celebrate the day, I turned to one of my old boy mates and said: "Gaz, don't you reckon it was a little odd his father and brother coming over to find us to ask about the photo?" Gary turned to me and said: "Jono, wouldn't you be a bit concerned if you saw your son having his photo taken with eight blokes dressed up like canaries???!!!!"

**Leadership is what we are celebrating and honouring today.** And, it is very important that we do so. Leaders are critical to the success of any community, no matter how big or how small or in what context.

When I attended Sydney High there were two significant leaders in my year: David Blomberg, who inevitably became School Captain; and Neil Sherring, who inevitably became the Captain of the first fifteen that went on to win the GPS rugby premiership and set up a winning three year dynasty. Now with Dave's election I had no problem, he was a natural leader, everyone just knew that he would be elected to that lofty role; but with Neil's I did. Why? Well I was playing breakaway and so was Neil. And, in my *totally* "unbiased and objective" opinion, Neil was not the best or even the second best breakaway in the School, yet he got to play on the side of the scrum for the firsts. Should Neil have been there? Should George Gregan? Of course they should, whether or not they were or are the best players in their position, they were and are the all important leaders.

Recently, Matt Williams a former coach of NSW, Ireland A and Scotland, said the criticism of Gregan was "garbage. He's a phenomenal player, a champion", adding, he was "embarrassed to see the way yet again one of our tall poppies was being cut down". I want to say to you today, he was right, tall poppies, our leaders, should not be cut down, they should be nurtured, supported and revered.

Why not you might ask – isn't it the Australian way to knock these big shots down? Sadly too often it is and that is a very lamentable characteristic that we ought to reverse.

I ask you to remember this "VCR A". No, it's not a New Zealander asking about a machine that sits atop of your TV, these are the initials for the key elements of leadership:

All leaders have **vision**. They can see what should be and show initiative and creativity to achieve it by being innovative: they work out how it can be.

They show **courage** by following and carrying out their vision. They make it happen.

But they have to be **responsible** – they must know and appreciate the end does *not* justify the means. True leaders act ethically – they follow what is right and avoid what is wrong. There *is* a difference and it is leaders who help us to distinguish and understand the difference, and to choose.

For that reason they have **authority** – the authority that is bestowed by their peers and their institution – by you and Sydney Boys High School today.

That authority must be respected and nurtured because it leads to great achievements.

Cutting down tall poppies only destroys and discourages. Our leaders, your leaders - should be supported, for it is they that give us direction and the opportunity to flourish, to be all that we can be – which I suggest is, as did the Ancient Greek philosopher Aristotle, the fundamental principle of a good life: Be all that you can be!

McArthur, the American WW2 General, is reputed to have said: “Lead, follow or get out of the way!!” I suggest, you don’t ‘get out of the way”, I strongly urge the school body to now follow those you have authorized to lead *you* to be all that you can be.

To the young men – the leaders – who will be invested today, you have been chosen to be, and now are, tall poppies. I strongly urge you to courageously use your vision to responsibly create an environment in which you and your fellow school mates, the ones who have entrusted you with their respect and support, can flourish, so they too can become tall poppies one day. It is an onerous task, but you would not have it if they – your fellow students, as well as your teachers - did not think you were up to it and if you did not deserve it. Clearly you are, and do.

Congratulations and best wishes for your year ahead; and as the old boy canary said to the new tall poppies (and the nutrients in the soil that supports them) – ‘VCR A’ ”.

**Dr Paul Jonson, Old Boy (1971)**  
**Deputy Chief Executive Officer at Sport Knowledge Australia and Associate Professor in the School of Leisure, Sport and Tourism, UTS, Sydney**

# Chinese Eisteddfod

The 2005 National Chinese Eisteddfod took place in early June at Burwood Girls High School. More than 3000 candidates aged from 4 to 18 participated in this year's Eisteddfod. This annual event was a poetry and prose-recital competition that provided students with the opportunity to use their acquired Chinese language skills and also to appreciate Chinese literature.

Our school participated in both individual and group competitions with 28 individual entries and 3 group entries with 40 students this year. Although the Eisteddfod was extremely tough and our boys had to compete with a lot of students who only just came from China, our boys showed great enthusiasm and strength and achieved excellent results.

A huge congratulations to 11 boys from Year 9 Chinese community class: Harry Chen, Richard Hua, Chris Lam, Tom Sun, Kevin Wang, Phillip Wang, Phil Wu, Caly Yang, Simin Yang, George Zu and Schuuman Zhang, who won 1st prize in 13-15 years old group competition. Well done boys!

Big congratulations to Chamberlain Zhang and Shorson Zhang who received 2nd and 3rd places in 13-15 years old individual entries with their outstanding performance.



Congratulations to all boys who took part in this event for your dedication and achievement. Although it was a bit of disappointing that some of our candidates missed out the awards after their great work, I am sure you impressed a lot of the audience including me.

Huge thanks to parents and grandparents who gave immense encouragement and support to our boys. It was great to see families being so involved. I hope you enjoyed the Eisteddfod as much as I did.

**Ms W Zhang**



*Harry Chen*



*Henry Liu*



*Phillip Wang*



*Tom Sun*

## The Italy Tour of 2005

In July 2005, a group of about 45 Sydney Boys from years 8-11 went on a music tour to Italy for almost 3 weeks, accompanied by some teachers and parents. There were also about a dozen girls from a school in Adelaide who joined us on our tour, playing with us in the band and also providing a choir. The whole trip was unforgettable, from the sights to the food, from the camaraderie to the performances, and from the good to the better. This is merely a brief overview of the happenings in Italy.

Our tour group first arrived in Rome (after a transit stop in Malaysia), before heading to Assisi for 3 days. After Assisi, we stayed in Montecatini for 5 days, and from here we had day trips to places including Florence. We went to Venice and Verona (where we saw the famous balcony of Romeo and Juliet!), then back to Rome for a few days (and visiting the Vatican in this time) before going to Sorrento for about 3 days, in which time we had day trips to Pompeii (we saw Caecilius' house!) and Amalfi. After heading back to Rome, we began the journey back home, stopping off again in Malaysia.

The sights were amazing; from the huge Catholic basilicas to the ancient Roman buildings and temples, we were all amazed. Even the canals of Venice, the piazza of Sienna as well as the ruins at Pompeii were all new sights to be beheld, and even the village towns themselves had an old-style, even mediaeval atmosphere. The shopping was also great all around the country. I remember the leather shop in Florence, where we saw how leather jackets and bags were made and embroidered with gold leaf, and then I remember the glass shops in Venice.



Throughout the tour, there was also an abundance of souvenir shops, but eventually, all we were interested in buying was gelato and pizza!

The food was great throughout the tour; one boy counted that we had roughly 18 different types of pasta, and 24 servings of it (Italians can't live without pasta!). We also had different Italian dishes throughout, but my most memorable meal was the pizza at the foot of Mt Vesuvius. We each got our own huge Margarita pizza, and it still remains the best pizza I have ever eaten!

Our music performance programs consisted of a concert band performance, a stage band performance and a choral performance, with a small strings section providing pre-concert musical atmosphere. There were about 6 performances, most of which were held inside massive basilicas around the country, and they were all equally





amazing. Our repertoire consisted of a variety of songs, from contemporary rock songs, to festive themes of Spain and Brazil. Each performance, however, was incomplete until we performed our two native pieces, *We Are Australian* and *I Still Call Australia Home*, for which two girls would sing the vocal part.

What made the tour truly great was the abundance of friendship between all the boys. I still remember the times when we would play soccer in the yard of the hotel at Assisi, or swim in the pool at the Montecatini hotel, and even the bus trips around Italy, with our card game marathons. By the end of the tour, I would strongly deny the presence of any

discontent between any two people. We were all one big Sydney High throng!

So that's my brief report on the Italy Tour. It truly was a great experience for all involved, and in so many ways. It opened our eyes to another corner of the world, to another completely different culture than ours. When we first arrived, we were merely tourists in an unknown world. When we were ready to leave, however, we were quite attuned to Italian customs and we all wanted to stay for that little bit more time. It truly remains an unforgettable experience. Arrivederci Roma!

**Christian Katsikaros**





**Touring Band**

**Back Row:** D. Blaxell, F. Wong, A. Farrow-Palmer, P. Roser, V. Wei, T. Joo, P. Chen

**Second Row:** J. Freiman, K. Kim, J. Dai, C. Ho, D. Fan, J. Mackay, J. Song, S. Lou, L. Yang, A. Vertoudakis

**Front Row:** C. Martin, C. Katsikaros, J. Ireland, J. Chow, L. Deacon, J. Byrnes, J. Lee, I. Cerecina, D. Bowes



**Symphony Orchestra**

**Back Row:** D. Lo, M. Wong, S. Zhang, M. Mehmedbasic, T. Wilson, L. Brown, D. Fan, K. Amilbangsa, J. Kok

**Second Row:** M. Carr, J. Leung, A. Cheng, J. Santoso, A. Yeung, J. Byrnes, L. Deacon, J. Chow, Y. Sun, V. -----

**Front Row:** C. McKay, R. Abesuriya, A. Brown, S. Hoang, B. Jian, S. Garofano, B. Cheung, G. Truong, J. Lee



**Senior Concert Band**

**Back Row:** J. Fu, P. Lieu, F. Wong, A. Farrow-Palmer, D. Cao, V. Wei, A. Wijeyaratne, P. Chen, A. Flores  
**Second Row:** W. Wu, S. Burke, C. Ho, J. Luscombe, S. Lou, J. Mackay, K. Amilbanga, T. Shu, J. Kok, M. Shen  
**Front Row:** L. Deacon, A. Wong, J. Freiman, A. Vertoudakis, W. Wong, L. Yang, K. Kim, R. Xu, M. Yong



**Senior Stage Band**

**Back Row:** M. Coutts, V. Wei, A. Farrow-Palmer, D. Cao, F. Wong, M. Mehmedbasic  
**Second Row:** J. Luscombe, W. Wong, S. Lou, J. Phu, J. Mackay, M. Shen, W. Wu, L. Yang  
**Front Row:** A. Thomas, L. Deacon, R. Xu, A. Vertoudakis, K. Kim, M. Wong, I. Cerecina



**Senior Guitar Ensemble**

**Back Row:** M. Bock, L. Street, D. Blaxell, A. Vertoudakis

**Front Row:** I. Cerecina, D. Lam, D. Nguyen, T. Nguyen, M. Wong



**Year 9 Concert Band**

**Back Row:** M. Sun, R. Chen, D. Fan, M. Coutts, B. Pfull, T. Joo, S. Merom, R. Ji, A. Shapilsky

**Second Row:** T. Amai, W. Chan, A. Lim, Z. /Harrison-Tikisci, A. Ho, W. Nguyen, T. Rosengarten, S. Iyer, D. Shi, D. Tse

**Front Row:** D. Bowes, A. Thomas, D. Wong, S. Ting, N. Kwok, A. Kim, J. Culibao, C. Martin, Z. Zu



**Year 9 Jazz Band**

**Back Row:** S. Merom, M. Mehmedbasic, M. Coutts, T. Joo, R. Chen

**Second Row:** S. Iyer, A. Ho, R. Ji, M. Sun, A. Lim, D. Tse

**Front Row:** D. Bowes, A. Thomas, C. Martin, S. Ting, I. Cerecina, R. Wong, Z. Zu



**Year 8 Jazz Band**

**Back Row:** A. Chan, L. Teng, J. Chow, S. Binns, L. Brown, D. Lo, R. Chen, R. Ahmed

**Front Row:** M. Chan, P. Desmond, T. Siu, N. Spoljaric, A. Belokopytov, S. Ponraj, A. Jurisevic



**Year 7 Concert Band**

**Back Row:** A. Paul, M. Ambrose, A. Ghose, J. Han, A. Blomberg, B. Wang, K. Taylor, K. Sheng, M. Wang

**Third Row:** G. Denny-Smith, H. Karunakaran, F. Li, T. Li, D. Kim, D. Trang, M. Tugnait

**Second Row:** D. Yang, J. Chan, S. Kim, W. Wan, D. Luo, G. Chan, J. He, G. Deacon, J. Ubaldi, M. Carr, M. Moreno

**Front Row:** V. Goh, B. Li, R. Ma, J. Wormell, E. Wong, C. Tin-Loi, T. Molloy, B. Khuu, V. -----



**Year 7 Jazz Band**

**Back Row:** J. Chan, J. Sutton, M. Dugnait, A. Paul, F. Li, B. Wang, G. Denny-Smith

**Front Row:** V. Goh, M. Carr, J. Wormell, S. Kim, G. Deacon, T. Molloy, V. Mohan



**Junior Strings**

**Back Row:** E. Hui, A. Ho, N. Wang

**Front Row:** A. Wu, R. Kamal, J. Du



***Junior Guitar Ensemble***

***Back Row:*** L. Li, L. Gordon, R. Bi, C. Umbers, R. Lin

***Front Row:*** P. Simos, O. Fio, C. Wong, M. Castillo, I. Li, J. Braverman, S. Silveira

# Debating

## First Grade Debating

2005 was a year of great achievement for High's 1st Grade debating team (Gabriel McManus, Thomas Kaldor and William Clegg). However, the thick silver lining ultimately contained a small but frustrating cloud, as both the GPS and CHS premierships narrowly slipped from the boys' hands.

The season started with a surprise upset when the team lost the regional final of the CHS Hume Barbour Trophy to its arch-nemesis, Sydney Girls, in the grandiose setting of Parliament House. However, the disappointment was somewhat mitigated when the girls went on to win the state final of the competition – confirming that the boys had lost to a formidable opposition.

The round-robin structure of the GPS competition means that audiences are generally deprived of the excitement of a grand final. However, by the luck of

the draw, the two top teams in the competition – High and Riverview – were destined to meet in the final round. Having comfortably dispatched of the other six schools, both teams came into Round 7 undefeated. In everything but name, the debate was shaping up to be the GPS grand final.

A characteristically comprehensive Friday afternoon session with coach Hamish left the boys extremely well prepared for the contest. All three speakers rose to the occasion and delivered excellent speeches in what turned out to be an exceptionally entertaining debate for the large audience. After a long deliberation, the judges returned to announce that they had not reached a unanimous decision: one adjudicator had awarded the debate to High by 2 points, while the other two thought that Riverview had won by a single point.

The result – which was about as close as you can get to a draw in debating – was disappointing for the



**First Grade GPS Debating**

*Ms B. Berger (Coach), W. Clegg, G. McManus, T. Kaldor, Ms J. Brewer (Coach)*

boys, but did not take away from what had been a great season. Six wins from seven debates was an admirable achievement. Furthermore, all three speakers were selected in representative teams – Gabriel in CHS 1st Grade, Tom in CHS 2nd Grade and Will in GPS 2nd Grade (which lead to an almighty clash between Will and Tom in the CHS v GPS debate, in which GPS came out on top – although Tom maintains that this was the worst decision since the Riverview debate!)

The strength of High's debating season was mirrored on the public speaking circuit. Dawei Qi made an exciting appearance at the Lawrence Campbell Oratory Competition, while Tom Kaldor was a state finalist in the SMH Plain English Speaking Award.

Special thanks go to the tremendous team advisors, Mitchell Seow and Dawei Qi, the vibrant MIC of debating, Ms Brewer, and team driver and CHS coach, Ms Berger. Particular recognition and thanks must go to Hamish Nairn, who was a phenomenal coach and role model for the whole team.

**Thomas Kaldor**

## Second Grade Debating

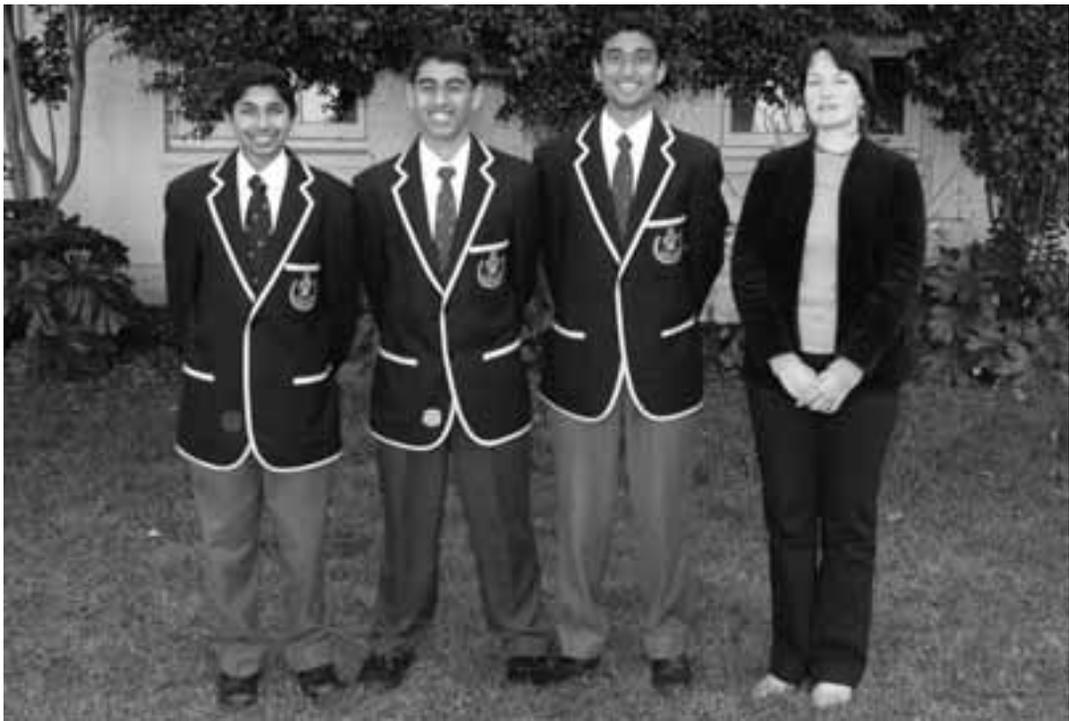
The Class of 2006 (debating in 2005) Seconds team consisted of Faraz Amin, Sriram Srikumar and Romesh Abeysuriya, who made his first top team after an amazing improvement in the months preceding final selection. The team was once again coached by the two Alexes, who had a fantastic relationship with all the guys.

The season was a fantastic one, with the team winning the first five debates with ease; losing the sixth in a perplexing panel adjudication, and losing the deciding debate in the seventh week to a very good Iggies team. The year was a great one despite the demoralising two losses.

The CHS A team with Faraz and Sriram, with Phil Roser, lost to the Bs consisting of Romesh, James Morgan and Labib Rahman, who went on to win the Karl Cramp competition! A 'well done' there to the 'underdogs'.

In their last year of coaching, the Alexes certainly left the debaters sad that they were leaving.

**Faraz Amin**



### **Second Grade Debating**

*R. Abeysuriya, F. Amin, S. Srikumar, Ms J. Brewer (Coach)*

*Debating*



**Third Grade Debating**

*L. Rahman, J. Morgan, P. Roser, Ms J. Brewer (Coach)*



**Fourth Grade Debating**

*K. Vaidya, T. Uddin, J. Barker, Ms J. Brewer (Coach)*



**Karl Kramp Debating Team**

*R. Abey Suriya, J. Morgan, J. Barker, L. Rahman, Ms J. Brewer (Coach)*



**Year 10 Debating**

**Back Row:** *B. Liu, M. Coutts, M. Farhat, S. Wang*

**Front Row:** *B. Prentice-Davidson, T. Hurrell, S. Lou, A. Surendran, L. Yang*

*Debating*



***Year 9 Debating***

***Back Row:*** I. Nadkarni, B. Pfull, A. Taylor, M. Mehmedbasic, E. Montoya

***Front Row:*** A. Shapilsky, P. Locke, Z. Mancenido, K. La, D. Chui



***Year 8 Debating***

***Back Row:*** B. Greenslade, J. Lieu, J. Cao, E. Lu, M. Ling, R. Alam, R. Ahmed, C. Evans

***Front Row:*** S. Garofano, A. Jurasevic, A. Sharma, J. Byrnes, D. Lam, D. Nguyen, S. Hoang



**Year 7 Debating**

**Back Row:** R. Cohn, J. Chan, J. Aclis, B. O'Rourke, L. Chant, D. Paperny, D. Smith-Light

**Front Row:** A. Gabo, P. Baweja, A. Paul, M. Phillis (Captain), M. Castillo, R. Kamal, R. Sivasubramaniam

# Boggabilla Exchange

## Boggabilla visit to Sydney Boys High School

After a 10 hour long bus trip, students from Boggabilla central school, which is located on the NSW Queensland border, finally arrived at Sydney Boys High. The bus trip obviously had no effect on the students as they set about demolishing a group of High students in a game of touch refereed by Mr Stein.

After the game had finished with Boggabilla winning 8 tries to 3, billets were introduced and then the Boggabilla students left for a tour of Eastgardens shopping centre. We met back at school at around 5.00 pm for pizza, and then it was off to catch a train to Olympic Park to see the first State of Origin match. This is was definitely the highlight of the trip for the Boggabilla students and a late try to their hero Matt Bowen capped off a great night.



The Boggabilla kids made their way to school the next morning with their various billets and a small group of us went along with them for a tour around the city. This began by driving to the city side of the bridge and walking across and catching a ferry from Milsons Point back to Circular Quay. From there we wandered as a group past the street performers and up to the Opera House, pointing out some of Sydney's landmarks to our visitors.

We walked back around to Circular Quay and across the road to Deacons law firm for lunch in one of their boardrooms overlooking the harbour. Employees came and went, providing insights into what they did and were interested in learning about life up in Boggabilla. After lunch we said our good-byes and headed home.

A quick photo shoot the next morning was followed by the Boggabilla students heading to Maroubra for a surfing lesson and lunch with Mr Barris, Ms Plenkovich and Sue Doran. After this, they made the long journey home. It was an enjoyable experience and we look forward to going up there later in the year.

**Aaron Shuttleworth**  
**Year 10**

## Boggabilla Trip, August 2005

On Monday 22 August the following students made the return trip to Boggabilla as part of our annual exchange: Tom and Nick Lindeback, Daniel Campion, Alistair & Kieran Taylor, Jeremy Wilson, D'Arcy Blaxell, Vitaliy Tsalovskiy, Dominic Bowes, Tim Joo, Patrick Locke, Justin Park, Johnny Liu, Neil Street and Gareth Deacon. They were accompanied by Mr Barris and Mr Ryan.

## Boggabilla Exchange

At approximately 5:40 am, after a cold and sleepy wait for everyone to arrive we finally stumbled onto the bus and began our long journey to the middle of nowhere, otherwise known as Boggabilla. Most of us slept for the first few hours or watched as we made our way out of a deserted Sydney. By 8:30 am we were eagerly awaiting breakfast and were very thankful as we finally stopped at Hungry Jack's. We quickly gulped down our breakfast and proceeded to the general store to buy some snacks and entertainment for the bus.

The next few hours were a bit more lively as everyone had a lot more energy from the breakfast. The Year 9s and 7s had a very intense card game going at the back of the bus while the Year 10s dug into the newly bought glossy magazines. A few hours later, we made a quick stop to let everyone stretch their legs and go to the toilet. The next stop we made was for lunch at Muswellbrook. We were allowed an hour which gave us enough time to have a look around the town. Most of the rest of the bus trip was of people sleeping and finding ways to help pass the time. When we finally arrived at Boggabilla Central School at 5:00 pm it was a huge relief for everyone.

We rushed into their gym and spent the next few hours playing basketball and then had dinner. After dinner we started a game which is a combination of American Football and basketball. We were allowed to have showers in the change rooms of the gym and set up our swags and sleeping bags. The gym wasn't such a bad place to sleep because we had the heaters on so it was warm and we had lots of room.

The next morning we were woken up very early and were forced to hurriedly pack up our things for camping. We had breakfast and then were officially



welcomed by the school principal and an important community elder. Dr Jaggar and his family also were present and Dr Jaggar thanked the Bogga people for their great hospitality over the last 3 years. We then proceeded on a tour of the area and stopped at the Euraba Paper Mill that is the only industry in the whole of Boggabilla. The mill produces special paper that is sold around the coast. We were shown around the mill and were shown the special process that is used to create the paper. Our next stop was Toomelah Public School where we were welcomed with a well-prepared traditional dance performed by the younger students at the school. We then went on a walk down to a tree which has had part of the bark chopped off in order to make a canoe. This tree had its bark taken off close to the start of the 20th century and there is a photo showing the actual tree having its bark removed.

After that we had lunch at Toomelah Public School and were shown the historic wall in their library which depicts the whole history of the area and where all the different places are and how they originated. Many historic people are also represented on the wall, in particular the elders involved in rebuilding the original language that was used by the Aboriginal population before they were put on missions.

The next site we visited was a Bora-Ring, which was about half an hour out of Boggabilla. This site was used by many of Aboriginal people many years ago for initiation ceremonies. All around the area you can find chips of rock that are sharpened. The guides said that these chips were from spears and other tools that were used many years ago. We were warned not to take any of these rocks because they



have spiritual significance and if they are taken they bring bad luck to the person and people around them.

We then made our way down to our campsite. Half way there, we spotted a goanna in a tree. We arrived at the campsite and went off into groups of about five and set up tents and swags. Many students chose to sleep under the stars in swags. We then entertained ourselves fishing, canoeing and witchetty grubbing. Before night fell each group was given a hot plate, food and everything else needed to make a campfire dinner. We all ate our food and were almost ready for bed but we grouped around the main campfire and heard stories from Matt Priestly, a community worker, and listened to the didgeridoo. The stories explained some of the stars and star patterns. At the main campsite there was also a dead goanna which some of the community workers and Bogga kids had caught. Mr Barris was forced to eat some while some students volunteered to eat it. After that we all headed back to our tents or swags and went to sleep.

During the night everyone was very cold. The temperature dropped to around  $-4$  degrees. In the morning almost everyone woke up to frost-covered swags and tents, one student who will remain unnamed had a patch of frost on the back of his head. Soon a large gathering had developed around the main campfire, all of whom were warming their hands.

Each group was given some bacon, eggs and bread which they quickly turned into breakfast. Soon after we were presented with emu eggs. One was carved and was given to our school while the rest needed to be emptied so we had to drill a hole at both ends and blow the egg yoke and white out. This process took quite a long time and was quite disgusting.



After an hour or two we packed up and headed to the motel. The motel was comfy and clean but not very flashy or exciting. We were allowed an hour before we had to leave to go to Goondiwindi which is a medium sized country town on the Queensland side of the MacIntyre. The town has one main road with a few supermarkets and the like. We had an hour and a half to explore the town but we were bored in an hour and fifteen and sat around waiting for the bus.

We then headed back to the motel en route to Boggabilla central school. We got to the school and played some basketball and touch footy. Soon it was lunchtime and after lunch we played the twice-annual city vs. country touch league match. The game had a friendly atmosphere and the eventual winner was Boggabilla. We were supposed to go to a movie that night but because nothing caught our fancy that was rated appropriately we decided to play sport in the gym instead. For dinner we had a barbeque which was a great chance for the Bogga and Sydney kids to mingle and have fun. The food was delicious thanks to Mr. Ryan who slaved away at the barbeque. This also had a positive effect on the school with some students coming back to school for the first time in almost a year. At around nine o'clock we left the school and went to the motel to spend the night.

The next morning we got up reasonably early and went to the school for an official goodbye and Dominic Bowes on behalf of the students thanked the teachers and community members who helped with the trip. We then left Boggabilla where there was a sad feeling onboard the bus as we left Boggabilla and the news that the next trip would not be until 2007 did not help to change the general mood. The trip to Boggabilla is a great experience; we would recommend it to anyone and everyone.

**Jeremy Wilson and Vitaliy Tsitalovskiy**

# Da Vinci Decathlon 2005

The 2005 Senior School da Vinci Decathlon was held at Knox on from 9-12 August, with 45 schools competing across the four divisions of Years 7 to 10. Congratulations to our four High teams, all of whom featured in the top 10 in their division, with special mention to the Year 9 team, who finished second.

Congratulations to all participants. We hope you enjoyed the challenge and look forward to your participation next year in the 2006 Knox Grammar School da Vinci Decathlon.

## Da Vinci Decathlon

On Tuesday 9 and Wednesday 10 August Sydney Boys High School competed in the Da Vinci Decathlon at Knox Grammar School. It is an academic interschool gala day run in the spirit of an Olympic decathlon. The students were asked to complete a set of challenging tasks in the following disciplines: mathematics, English, science, code breaking, engineering challenge, forensic sleuths, creative producers, art and poetry, games of strategy and general knowledge. The Year 9 and 10 teams were accompanied by Mr Moody and Mr Howey on Tuesday while the Year 7 and 8 teams competed on the Wednesday and were supervised by Mr Dolan and Ms Brewer.

It proved to be a very stimulating event for the all the students. The highlight was the silver medal achieved by the Year 9 team. Many thanks must go to Mr Dolan for his efforts in organising the teams and coordinating all the other aspects of our school's participation in the event. The following report by Richard Hua (Year 9 team) describes the various events in the Decathlon and the final announcement of results:

Greetings, fellow scholars! This Tuesday, a group of

eight students from Year 9 Sydney High was deployed into the enemy territory of Knox Grammar School. This group, made up of some of the finest in our grade, consisted of Albert Kim, Simon Liu, Sean Lee, David Fan, Phil Wu, Lucian Tan, Nicholas Lochner and I, Richard Hua. We were to compete against an array of thirty-five other schools in the Da Vinci Decathlon, a series of ten academic events designed to test aptitude, cunning and wit.

As the clock struck nine, we were immediately plunged into a world of challenging and demanding tasks. The first of the tasks, a science event, where competitors were to design a space-craft suitable for collecting waste in space, was assigned to the very, very, very capable hands of Albert Kim, and David Fan. These two boys set to work at once designing their machine, which was later marked as fourth-best out of the thirty-five presented. Meanwhile, Nick and Phil were working on the Engineering Challenge, a task in which students were to make a basket attached to a support to hold as many marbles as possible using only straws, string and paper. As it turned out, their supports appeared sturdy; however their basket was not able to hold the marbles. On the other side of the table, Simon and Sean were working through the Art and Poetry section where Simon wrote a poem on the given topic, 'perspectives' whilst Sean used his exceptional art skills to draw an accompanying representation. With Sean's breathtaking depiction of the 'Existence Express', an imaginary train of life and its perspective, and Simon's amazingly intellectual poem, it easily made it fifth. Finally, while these people were slaving away, Lucian and I were busy musing over the English Challenge. This section proved to be difficult and we had some problems towards the end. However, in the final

Division	First Place	Second Place	Third Place	HIGH
Year 7	MLC	PLC Sydney	The Illawarra Grammar School	7th
Year 8	Roseville College	Pymble Ladies' College	Sydney Girls High School	8th
Year 9	Pymble Ladies' College	Sydney Boys High School	Normanhurst Boys' High School	2nd
Year 10	Pymble Ladies' College	Knox Grammar School (Blue Team)	Sydney Girls' High School	6th

*Da Vinci Decathlon*

	<b>YEAR 7</b>	<b>YEAR 8</b>	<b>YEAR 9</b>	<b>YEAR 10</b>
1	Campbell Umbers	Thomas Nguyen	Albert Kim	Raymond Roca
2	Puneet Baweja	Patrick Desmond	Sean Lee	Kelvin Yu
3		Louis Appleton	Richard Hua	David Kumagayo
4	Alexander Saunders	Victor Lim	Phil Wu	Martin Liu
5	John Wormell	Yiming Cao	Lucian Tan	Eugene Stadnik
6	Declan McCrea - Steele	Nevin Spoljaric	Simon Liu	Steven Song
7	Tadeusz Davenport	Hugo Richards	Nicholas Lochner	Jason Cohn (9)
8	Lachlan Chant	Simon Hoang	David Fan	Stuart Sugito (9)

result we came a decent fourteenth. With both a Latin component and a vocabulary component, our knowledge of Latin came in very handy (does the word 'uxorious' sound familiar?).

After the hurdle of challenges we had leapt over, we had a much needed recess break. But as 10 minutes flew past, it was back to brain-muddling challenges for the team. Lucian, Sean and Simon left for the Creative Producers task, where they were asked to act out a commercial for 'Electric Submarine Windows'. They came out confident and happy, however their results said otherwise. At the same time, there was also the 'Forensic Sleuths' category, a detective style challenge in which almost everyone took part in. The puzzles ranged from solving a crime, to 'Spot the Difference', to geography. Later on we found out that we had come first in this subject, one of only two subjects that we had accomplished this in. Next, in the quiet corner of the table, David and I were presented with the Maths section (of course). This year, the Maths challenge was definitely much harder. Due to the level of difficulty, we were forced to work together, both solving problems the other could not. We even had to calculate 250 by hand! We managed to finish the whole section (Maths Enrichment came in handy). We came first in this area, and as I believe, with full marks. Last but not least, there was also the Games of Strategy section, the metaphorical bane of our team. The chess problems were worked on by the very, very, very capable Albert, Lucian, Nick, Simon, and Phil. Although it seemed we had 'screwed up' Chess, Connect Four and Mastermind terribly, we came twenty-third in this.

After a lunch of juice and pizza, only two more tasks

remained. Of these, one was an amazingly, mind-numbingly difficult code-breaking task. The very, very, very capable Albert as well as Phil, David and I were immensely stumped. Out of the eight codes we cracked... well, four. These codes, to put it simply, were extremely difficult. The fact that we came fifteenth in this area proves this fact. Meanwhile, Simon, Lucian, Sean and Nick were working on the General Knowledge section in which they excelled, coming third.

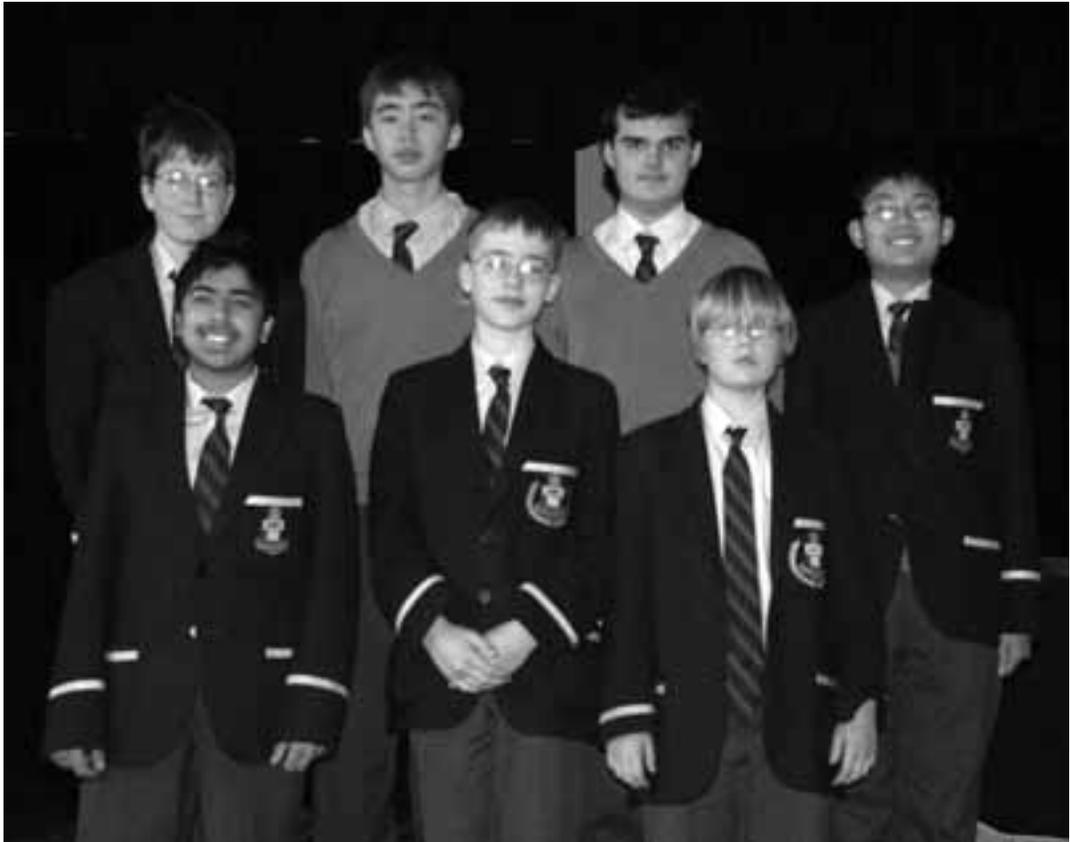
After the session ended we had a much deserved Paddle Pop each, and the results were announced. By this time, we, the Sydney Boys High Team, had assumed that we had no hope of winning (as we had not seen our results yet) and were calmly enjoying a game of cards. Coming third in the competition, at 890 points was Normanhurst High. We applauded in disappointment that we would not be up. Holding our cards in our hands, half trying to win the card game, half listening to the 2nd place announcement (but of course, listening with all due respect), they announced, "Coming second with 910 points - Sydney Boys High School!" Quickly shoving our cards into our pockets, we received our medals in a shocked but overwhelmingly ecstatic state, and had our photos taken. David, who had put his all into the day, just could not wipe the huge grin off his face. Lastly, coming first was Pymble Ladies' College at a huge lead with 1000 points. Coincidentally, the winner of Year 10 was also PLC.

We, the Year 9 Sydney High Team, left Knox very proud and honoured, having triumphed against a great variety of schools, including Sydney Girls, who had proved themselves as contenders even last year, Year 10 Sydney High, Knox, Scots, MLC and the

*Da Vinci Decathlon*

like. This great result was undoubtedly the product of great co-operation and a mastery of a wide variety of subjects with our combined respective

talents, especially in Maths (1st), Forensic Sleuths (1st), General Knowledge (3rd), Science (4th) and Art and Poetry (5th). In true High spirit! *Omnia victores eramus!*



**Year 8 team:**

**Back Row:** T. Davenport, A. Saunders, L. Chant, M. Do

**Front Row:** P. Baweja, J. Wormell, D. McRea-Steele

# Visual Arts

## Year 12 Visual Arts

The HSC Art class group of 2005 comprising Jeremy James, Kevin Lee, Tom Mittelheuser and Ryan Phung was taught by Helen Tuthill. Inspiration was gained throughout the year with excursions to various art galleries, printmaking workshops and slide shows of European artists. The students reviewed different media such as painting, sculpture, printmaking and drawing, allowing them to then explore these and find the one that was most inspiring for them. The students were encouraged to look into their own lives to find something personal and meaningful that they would like to explore through art.

Some of their most successful excursions were train trips to Tom Goulder's workshop at Port Kembla. Tom ran magnificent workshops for the boys, individually developing their printmaking skills. His enthusiasm and determination, coupled with his high work ethic, was a great influence on them. Ryan Phung benefited from his support and managed to finalise one of his drawings for printing there. Ryan's works were of four different feelings and he substantially developed his awareness of his feelings, and his drawing and printing skills, over that time. Upon completion, his four very powerful prints had the honour of being displayed in Art Express 2005.

Kevin Lee learned about printing 'lead type' for his etching book, which was about travelling to Australia in a refugee boat. To see his parents' faces

when they saw his completed art work for the first time was absolutely wonderful. Tom Mittelheuser printed the most, with a tremendous idea based on the post modern frame. His prints went well and he finished with six individual prints in different colours. He was very dedicated. Printing is difficult, especially when creating a book and distinct images.

Jeremy James came along to one of the later workshops. He was further developing his work, a sculpture, exploring his ideas for the figures to be matched with the clay heads moulded from a cast he made in a separate workshop. Jeremy ended up being judged at school, which was disappointing for him, however his life-size torsos mounted on a base were fragile and vulnerable. The heads were painted in particular styles and he was so dedicated, Helen can remember him working through the night at school to successfully complete his works.

For their further study they all went on excursions to the National Gallery in Canberra, the Art Gallery of NSW and the Museum of Contemporary Art at Circular Quay. They also looked at Sydney Nolan. The students were very receptive to ideas, wrote well and enjoyed the exploration into art history. Gradually they developed their ideas and wrote essays worth remembering. All four boys were intelligent, very capable and well deserving of their ranking in the top Band Six.

### Helen Tuthill



*A montage of Tom Mittelheuser's Visual Arts major work*

# Sport



## Representatives

**Back Row:** M. Kelly (Tennis GPS), D. Bodrozic (Tennis GPS), K. KruszeInicki (Volleyball NSW), S. Misuji (Soccer GPS, CIS, NSW),  
C. Budd (Rifle Shooting GPS)

**Second Row:** B. Ly (Tennis GPS), D. Thomas (Rugby CHS, NSW), G. McManus (Debating CHS), C. Conway (Basketball GPS),  
D. Fonseka (Cricket GPS), J. Ninyo (Athletics NSW)

**Front Row:** P. McDonnell (Rugby GPS), M. Steen (Soccer GPS), E. Ovadia (Athletics NSW, Cross Country NSW), T. Kaldor (Debating CHS),  
J. Barker (Athletics CHS, Cross Country NSW), S. Singarayar (Rifle Shooting GPS), S. Srikumar (Debating CHS)

# Summer Sports Assembly 2005

School representative team members, coaches, managers, supporters, fundraisers, special guests, parents, staff and summer sports participants. Welcome to our summer sports assembly 2005. This morning we are gathered again to acknowledge and honour the teams in all summer sports. Our first and second grade teams compete in the AAGPS competition. All junior years contests are merely preludes to this major drama. GPS summer sports are: rowing, cricket, tennis, basketball and swimming. We honour rowing with a special assembly before the Head of the River. Sailing has a solid competition attracting Scots, Riverview, Grammar, High, Cranbrook and CAS teams to a series of races on Rose Bay. I welcome Mrs Boukatos to the role of MIC Sailing for 2005.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the people who have dedicated themselves to preparing the teams that will be presented to you. Not to be forgotten are the coaches and managers of all the junior teams who help to build the skills necessary for GPS competition. Thank you for your efforts.

Thank you to Mr Ben Hayman for his Basketball Coordinator's achievements, and for taking on the MICs role this year as well as coaching first grade. His commitment is already legendary. His impressive efforts will bear fruit in future years. Thank you to Vince Salomon, our long-serving coach who is guiding second grade with his usual skill.

Thank you to Laurie Heil for all he did in 2004 in his roles as Cricket Co-ordinator, MIC cricket and School Liaison Officer with Centennial Parklands management. Laurie, along with our groundsman Ben Ingle, with help from Sean Creer, turned the Fairland Pavilion into an impressive facility. Ben has improved the pitch at McKay 1 as much as he can within the constraints of the Green Options arrangement. Mark Retter and Chris Kourtesis trained and managed the first XI, while Kieran Lewis put in a good season with the seconds. Thank you to Peter Carroll for his expert assistance over several years with the first XI.

Mr Ockert did a sterling job in his first year as swimming MIC and looks set to build a bigger team this year, but we will miss the likes of Tom and Barry. My thanks in particular go to Mrs Tuthill, MIC tennis, Mr Boros, first grade manager, Mrs Neville, Mrs

Klocker and the tennis committee for their huge support of our tennis team. What a team it was in 2004. GPS undefeated premiers, CHS champions and 3rd in the Australian Schools championships behind two tennis schools! Under the watchful eye of our master coach Carl Nielsen, we are hoping for another great season ahead.

Turning to my theme for this summer sports assembly, I have discussed previously the psychosocial value of having competitive sport as a lifelong activity; the purposes of competitive sport; the personal development and educational values such engagement with competition instils in people; the psychology of team sports; and the value of training yourself to have a sports mind and a sports heart. Today I would like to turn to an overview of the conceptual model that describes well how natural abilities are influenced by catalysts during the developmental process of turning those abilities into systematically developed skills. Catalysts are things that facilitate change. Professor Francoys Gagné, an eminent Canadian psychologist, developed his differentiated model of giftedness and talent over several decades. His model makes sense of how some people turn into talented sportsmen and others with equal natural ability do not. He sees 'talented sportsmen' as those who perform in the top decile of the population. Many here fit that definition admirably.

Some people have enhanced sensorimotor abilities – acute senses like eyesight and a greater than usual endowment of strength, endurance, sharp reflexes, balance or hand-eye coordination. During informal and formal learning and practising of their chosen sport, certain catalysts affect sportsmen positively or negatively in their development. Think of Donald Bradman hitting a golf ball with a cricket stump up against a concrete water tank base. Of the four intrapersonal catalysts identified by Gagné, **volition** and **self-management** are particularly important. **Physical problems** might affect your performance – you might be set back by illness or injury. **Your personality**, your temperament, self-awareness or self esteem, might affect your performance, particularly under stress. **Volition** refers to your will-power, your effort, your capacity for persistence. Reflect on how Bradman must have persisted to master his famous skill. Most of us would have witnessed a marvellous example of

volition in Lleyton Hewitt's matches at the recent Australian Open. **Self-management** comprises the concentration, routines, work habits and scheduling needed to build skills systematically. Again, the punishing training of top tennis players and swimmers highlights this intrapersonal catalyst in its most positive manifestation – international sporting success. Performances are enhanced or inhibited by these intrapersonal catalysts.

I congratulate all the teams being introduced today. I urge other boys in the audience to follow their lead. Ramp up your volition as you prepare to compete. Be thoughtful about your self management techniques. Make your intrapersonal catalysts productive forces. Make yourselves and the school proud of the way you perform in the weeks ahead!

## **Rowing Assembly 2005**

Distinguished guests, special guest Mr Rob Walker, staff, parents, coaches and students. On this important occasion of our annual special assembly to honour the efforts of our rowing crews and to thank all the people who have supported them in their preparations, I have to say how pleased I am at what has been achieved so far this year in the sport. Whether we think it is rational or not, GPS schools are still judged by the media and public at large by their performances in rowing and rugby. The first VIII this year has lived up to its promise. At the Head of the River last year Dave Luscombe told me that the VIII would row under 6 minutes for 2k. They have achieved that by rowing 5:56. They have medals for 3rd at the NSW titles. They have a third in the Riverview Gold Cup. Their season's form is at third or close fourth. We will all be cheering for them to bring home a third in the Head of the River. The second VIII has shown solid form all season. They are weakened a little at present by sickness, but with a good race plan they could get a fourth or fifth in their event.

The rowing program is one of the two largest sporting undertakings we attempt. It is fitting that such a dedicated team of people is honoured by a special occasion. This assembly is also a traditional prelude to the Head of the River to be held tomorrow at the Sydney International Regatta Centre. I am gratified that so many of you have decided to come along and cheer on our crews. It is certainly one of the greatest spectacles in school sport anywhere in the world.

The design and administration of our rowing program is a complex and time consuming task. Of a staff of 23, 19 were old boys. I hope this culture of ongoing involvement after school life continues

among our current senior rowers. I would like to thank Mr Barris, MIC for Rowing, for his support in our policy of training our coaches through our expert rowing coordinator, Michael Doyle. The Coaching Manual and published Selection Policy enhanced a tighter coordination of our train the trainer model at High. Con and Michael have combined well to bed down this strategy. Maintaining enthusiasm and personal motivation to strive hard is difficult for coaches in any sport, but particularly so in rowing, where winning is so difficult and the benchmark for excellent performance at schoolboy level is so high. Importantly, Con's organisation of trips for the rowers adds a dimension to participation in the sport that is highly valued. These excursions are not treated as a substitute for success but as experiences that help to make all the relentless hard work worthwhile.

The first and second Vllls were trained together by David Luscombe and Mark Prater. Their teamwork in coaching and the competitive selection policy adopted are models I commend to other sports administrators. We appear to have the right people in the correct seats in our boats. Our senior squad is cohesive and prepared to perform. Oliver Wilson trained the first IV and ran several 'Learn to Row' courses on behalf of the Foundation. Tim Glass handled the 2nd IV and Kelvin Leung the 3rd IV. George Barris guided the 1st Year 10 VIII and Simon and Peter Wilson looked after the second Year 10 VIII. On the teaching staff Messrs Barris, Gainford, Coan and Hespe were efficient managers as usual for our junior crews. Year 9 quads were coached by Mr Gainford 1st, Louis Charalambous 2nd Andrew Simpson 3rd Matthew Louie 4th and Richard Zhou 5th. Thank you to all these coaches for their efforts.

## *Summer Sports Assemblies*

The Year 8 quads had a successful year. Mr Coan took 1st quad, Mark Prater backed up on Thursdays to take the 2nd, Kerry Barris (Andrew Forsyth) 3rd, Troy Polis 4th. and Mr Hesper the 5th. I look forward to this group improving further next season.

There is some simple arithmetic about rowing competition. Strong rowing schools boat 3 senior Vllls and 4 IVs (47 competitors). To have senior crews who know how to row you need depth in the junior school. We really need to have 3 Year 10 Vllls and 6 strong quads for next year's team in Year 9, so I urge boys in Years 8 and 9 to get their friends to try out next season. This school needs to promote the culture that boys will be culled out of rowing because we have too many wanting to compete and only 6 quads in each junior year and a selection policy. No GPS school starts off with an advantage over us in rowing because no prep schools do rowing for sport – unlike rugby, soccer, tennis, cricket, basketball.

The two afternoon sports policy has been hailed generally as a productive change. Now in its second year, it will continue to increase opportunities for access to venues, facilities coaches and equipment. This year is the first that High has run a rowing program for Year 7s. Our aim is to spend term 1 getting boys used to the water, the equipment, the safety routines and experiencing the basics of rowing. Hopefully, by term 4 our boys will return to the sport and will be able to learn to row from the first week. The time saved should enable higher technical skill levels to be achieved during Year 8. 3 Year 7 quads were boated on Thursdays. James

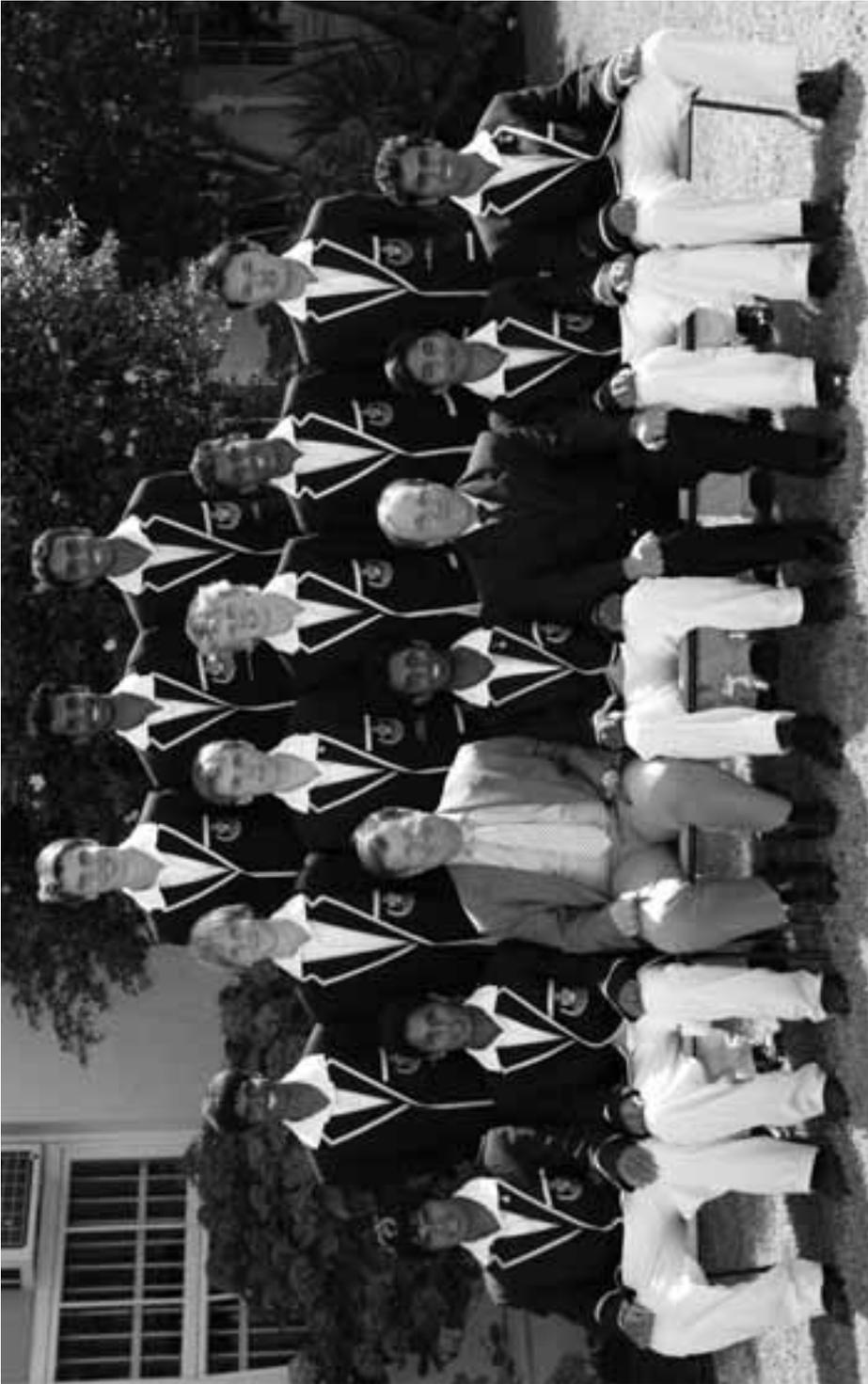
Gerofi looked after the 1st quad, Robbie Girdler the 2nd and Liam Bennett the 3rd. Thank you to those recent old boys for their support.

Mr. David Daish and Mr Chris Watson have made great contributions to High rowing over many years keeping the shed, the shells and the machinery running and transporting equipment to regattas and interstate on school visits. Thank you both for your tireless support. Thank you to Mr. Sean Creer for his commitment to the rowing program in various capacities over many years.

It is my pleasure to introduce our special guest this morning, Mr. Rob Walker. Rob started his rowing at Cranbrook and was highly successful as an Australian Schoolboy Champion and Australian Representative in the double scull in 1991. During the next two years he was a member of the NSW Youth VIII which won the Australian Championships. In World Rowing Championships, Rob rowed in the men's pair. He won Silver in 1995 and Bronze Medals in 1994 and 1997. Rob was a member of Australia's Olympic team at Atlanta in 1996, where the men's VIII finished 6th. Rob took time out in 1998 to complete his Bachelor of Physical Education degree. During the 1999-2000 season, Rob suffered a recurring back injury that forced his retirement from rowing. He now works as National Sales and Marketing Manager for Australian Rowing Technology. As a noteworthy example of high achievement in sport and in life, let's welcome Mr Rob Walker.

**Dr K A Jaggard**

# Cricket



## **First Eleven**

**Back Row:** M. Featherston, R. Yoganathan, A. Jeyendra

**Second Row:** G. Karunaratne, E. Hibbert, N. Bull, S. Robson, M. Samarasinghe, E. Pham

**Front Row:** P. Kariawasam, A. Vithanage, Dr K. Jaggar (Principal), D. Fonseka (Captain), Mr C. Kourtesis (Coach), N. Mostafa, S. Kumar

## First Eleven

The season for the First XI began long before the first GPS game, with Sunday morning fitness sessions in August 2004. We then held a cricket camp towards the end of September at the Abbotsford rowing sheds to polish our game, and to take the final steps to get to where we wanted to be as a squad by the start of the season. We fine-tuned our skills but more importantly built strong bonds within the team. The skill and particularly the effort driving that skill in the preseason was something very pleasing to see from the point of view of a senior player. We forged high standards at training, which were to be upheld through the season.

The season started nothing short of amazingly for the First XI. Rain preventing play on the first day against Grammar forced the match into a one-dayer the next week with 50 overs to be bowled per side. We won the toss and elected to bat first. The plan was to post a reasonable total on the ever-difficult McKay wicket and to back our bowling and fielding to bring it home. Shaheen Kumar was bowled on the first ball of the day. And so began our story. Out dashed Gayan with an ever-present enthusiasm and hunger for runs. With a brilliant flick off his pads for four on his first ball he was off the mark and looking dangerous. This lasted one more ball before he was caught behind chasing a wide one and so entered Nicholas Bull (number four) on the 5th ball of the day. Failing to build solid partnerships and to choose the right shots, the High batting line-up posted a mere 91 against the last year's premiers. Nick Bull was the backbone of the innings, grinding out 28, which in any other context, would have been worth 50 plus.

Lunch was taken and the boys could sense that we were not even considered a chance. In the eyes of many, we had lost the game. However, we used this to drive us further; to work that much harder, and to make up for all the ground we had lost through our batting. We went onto the field with a realisation that if we were to win the game, we would have to do it in the first 30 overs. So we put the spinners away for another day and placed responsibility on the pace men. From ball one, the determination within the team could be felt by all, particularly the Grammar batsmen. The grit in our teeth could be heard between every single ball. The bowlers worked harder than I've ever seen and rightfully so,

we picked up two quick wickets. With consistently applied pressure, they were 4/40 at tea needing 92. After tea, the arrival of our high support group of students from the senior years helped us to stay committed to our goal. Every time a match-winning partnership looked to be forming, we took a crucial wicket. It would have seemed things were looking their way at 6/72, but we never gave up, each wicket a collective and grinding effort from bowlers from both ends and fielders.

If there was a time heads were dropping, Adrian Jeyendra soon fixed it up with a couple of moments of brilliance, taking two quick wickets towards the end. Suddenly Grammar were 9/77 needing 92 for victory. A risky single here, an edge for four there, and up they crept towards the total. Rajeevan Yoganathan was bowling an incredibly tight line and length. Finally, with a thud of the pad, a roaring appeal, from the team as well as the support group on the boundary, the umpire raised his finger. Grammar all out for 88. Sydney High winning a thriller by just 3 runs.

*Damitha Fonseka 5/10 (10 overs)*

*Adrian Jeyendra 3/18 (10 overs)*

*Nick Bull 28*

The following week, we came up against a strong team from the King's school. Unfortunately we failed to bring it together against the premiership favourites, posting a total of 118 which just wasn't enough to support our bowling attack against their long batting line-up. They reached the total with three wickets down as we ground out a tough day on the field with many minds switching off during our performance. They declared at 3/230 and we were sent into bat again and this time we looked eager for runs and sharper between the wickets. What resulted was an admirable team innings reaching 7/172, showing glimpses of our ability, being led the whole way by Nick Bull who scored a terrific 72, stepping up and displaying some class against a reasonable attack and showing the rest of the team how to be patient and bat well.

*2nd innings Nick Bull 72*

For round three the team was eager to make up for a performance which had fallen well below our standards in the previous weeks. We had our second home game against Shore who had previously beaten us narrowly in a trial game. We knew we would have a fairly tight match on our hands. We

bowled reasonably well but allowed a couple of partnerships towards the lower end of their lineup to solidify which proved to be our downfall. They posted 193 on the challenging McKay wicket. We didn't get off to the best of starts and the responsibility of holding the innings alive was put on the shoulders of our middle to lower order. Damitha and Peshala put on a valuable partnership of runs until Pesh was out for 22. The bottom order battled it out as much as they could but it was too little too late. The team was bowled out for 169 leaving a melancholy "if only" statement recurring in each of our minds.

*Damitha Fonseka 4/52*  
*Damitha Fonseka 33*  
*Peshala Kariawasam 22*

After the holidays and a solid summer of preparation for the second half of the season, we came up against Newington in a one-dayer due to changes in the structure of the GPS sports calendar. This implied a need for a slightly different game-plan and forced us to reconsider our batting approach in order to suit the conditions of a limited over game. Newington batted positively and suitably to the one-day game as well as the conditions of the ground and pitch and reached a total of 211. Unfortunately we were not in the right frame of mind as our middle order collapsed to one spinner who ended up with five wickets which included a hat trick. We scored a mere 118 with the main contributors being Peshala, Gayan and Matty.

*Gayan Vithanage 17*  
*Matthew Fetherston 17*  
*Peshala Kariawasam 17*

We faced the Scots College on our fifth round, where we lost the toss and were forced to bowl first on a reasonable wicket. However it all proved worthwhile as we went out aggressively and focused, picking up four quick wickets and immediately forcing Scots onto the back foot. The pace men consistently attacked the off stump; Sam Robson continued to hit his spot as a leg-spinner, and we backed up the bowlers by holding onto sharp catches. What resulted was probably the best fielding and bowling performance by the team, crushing the Scots line up for 74 runs just after lunch. We were shaky in our chase but a sensible partnership from Naeef and Gihan won us the game with reasonable comfort. Second innings proved just as interesting with Scots coming out more

positively to post another total of 212 and try to win back the points with an outright by bowling us out. However, High kept composure and although failing to obtain the target for outright, still went away with the six points from first innings.

*1st innings: Damitha Fonseka 7/22 Naeef Mostafa 16\**  
*2nd innings: Peshala Kariawasam 3/32 Matthew Fetherstone 35*

We went to St Joseph's for our second last game of the season where we managed to win the toss and eagerly elect to bat on the beautiful ground and road of a pitch at Hunters Hill. The top order displayed some courage against the new ball, coming on quickly and seaming around a lot. Mark Carroll, in his first game for High, played a terrific innings, being patient for the bad ball and dealing with it appropriately. He played his shots in a great innings until he was dismissed for 43. Yet we were forced onto the back foot, being in trouble at 7/70. However, we knuckled down, and proved to ourselves as well as the opposition, that being patient really did pay off. What followed were two solid partnerships, where we stuck by one simple plan. We set ourselves to bat for the remainder of the day, to leave the good balls outside off stump, block the good balls on middle and off, and wait for the loose ones to score runs off. In a display of true Sydney High courage we managed to climb our way up to 8/200 shortly after tea with two big partnerships, first of which involved Damitha Fonseka and Naeef Mostafa, and the second Damitha Fonseka and Rajeevan Yoganathan. It may not have been quite as glamorous as St Joseph's usual five runs an over style, but it didn't matter. We played our own game, to our own plan and ended up with 219 runs on the board.

We went into the field to bowl after some inspirational words from our coaches and with the knowledge that we were in a great position to win the game. At lunch on the second day, the scores seemed fairly neutral as they were 4/65 chasing 219, but what happened in the hour following that break was something truly special. They may not have been extraordinary balls we were bowling, but we cramped them for runs until they got themselves out. Wicket after wicket fell, a beautiful story unfolding in front of our eyes. They were nine down and Sam Robson who bowled well all day was tossing it up to the number 11 batsman tempting him like a true leg spinner. Until finally beaten for patience, he charged. We had a glimpse of the

feeling of what it was to beat Joeys in that time the ball was in the air. Then, a swing and a miss later, a brilliant piece of stumping by Nick, and we had the feeling for real. It was a strange and wonderful one as we ran in to celebrate, rolling St Joseph's for 97 runs. Beating them for the first time at Joeys in 13 years. I'll never forget the way the ball looked from mid-on, the way Nick smiled after he took off the bails, the way Sam casually walked down the pitch. The way we walked off the ground and decided to put the team into bat who expected to win outright, this time to save an outright loss. The second innings yielded no further result to the game and we went home, for the third year in a row after denying St Joseph's the six points which they were sure they would win over us.

*Damitha Fonseka 6/37 Sam Robson 4/30  
Damitha Fonseka 72\* Mark Carroll 43*

Saint Ignatius was the final game and the Year 12s were fortunate enough to finish their schoolboy career at our home ground. On the always dangerous McKay pitch, we were bowled out cheaply for 135 with Peshala Kariawasam being our major contributor with 36. It wasn't our best performance in the field, dropping a few catches as well as our heads. It was, as they say, so close yet so far, as they passed our total with three wickets in hand and put on only a further 10 runs until we got the remaining wickets. We were sent into bat again and started off well being 2/50 at tea. Meanwhile Kings had beaten Newington for the potential premiership and had come down to McKay to see our game, as an outright win to Saint Ignatius would be the only thing to deny them first place. It didn't turn out the best idea as it only fired up our opposition more. We collapsed against a premiership-hungry Saint Ignatius and were bowled out for 90. So out came Iggies needing 80 runs in 12 overs, and there we were, back on the field for the last time, with the power of who gets the premiership lying in our hands. We put a lot of the fielders back, and in hindsight probably too many, as the ground was so big that Iggies could get the target with just singles. But it was a learning experience to say the least. Believe it or not, they got the run rate down to a run a ball with four overs to go. The last over arrived and they needed seven: I gave the ball to Peshala. With three balls to go they needed just two runs to win it. Pesh had bowled perfectly but some luck and overthrows had got them to a great position. The batsman drove the ball

for a single and coming back for the second, was run out. Two balls to go. One run to win. Pesh charged in. Clean bowled. And there we all were, High, Iggies, and King's on the boundary, the premiership to be decided on the last ball of the season. We brought everyone in. And although it didn't decide much for us, it was one of the most nerve-racking experiences of my life. Pesh bowled the last ball, hit the batsman on the pad and it trickled down leg side somewhere. The rest was a blur. I remember a loud appeal for LBW, the batsman running, the ball being thrown to the bowler's end but missing the stumps by a fraction. Saint Ignatius' had won it.

It was the end of a season of many stories, ups and downs, but for the Year 12s, it was a wonderfully intense way to finish their cricketing careers for High in a game that epitomised what schoolboy cricket was all about.

*1st innings: Peshala Kariawasam 36 Darnitha Fonseka 25*

*2nd innings: Damitha Fonseka 4/30  
Damitha Fonseka, Captain*

## Second Eleven

For Second Grade Cricket, the 04/05 was an extremely successful season. It was a season characterised by hard work, determination and fighting till the end, and it was scattered with some amazing wins and some heart breaking losses.

The 04/05 season started very early for the senior cricket squads. It was half way through August 2004 when Sunday morning training sessions started at McKay – fielding and fitness. We then had the cricket camp at the rowing sheds. This was the first time we've had a cricket camp and it was really successful in not only improving our cricket skills, but also for bringing the guys closer together as a squad. With such a good lead up to the season, we went into the first game full of confidence.

**Round 1** – *Grammar 3(dec)/168 (S Wickramasinghe 3/50) def High 98 and 1/62 (G Manamperi 24\*, M Samaraweera 18) – 1st Innings loss*

The bad loss to Grammar first round brought us down to Earth dramatically. The loss of early wickets in the first innings didn't give our lower order a chance to post a respectable total against a fired up Grammar bowling attack. With the ball and in the field we were below our normal standard and we soon realised that we'd have to lift our performance

immensely to be a force in the GPS. The only positives came out of the second innings batting effort where we got the start we wanted in the first innings.

**Round 2** – Kings 150 (S Wickramasinghe 2/14, N Frazi 3/26) and 3/42 (D Gunaratne 2/5) def High 124 (T Razeen 26, D Gunaratne 21) and 102 (S Singh 15) – 1st Innings loss

This game was one that everyone involved would rather forget. Batting first on an unpredictable McKay pitch, we posted a defendable total of 124. Our opening bowlers, Suren Wickramasinghe and Nathan Frazi came out fired up in the last few overs before stumps. What followed was an amazing spell of pace bowling from the pair as well as some excellent fielding that left Kings bemused at stumps on Day 1 – 5/29. However, we headed into the second week a little overconfident and too relaxed. The King's lower order established themselves from the first over and ran away with the game before we even realised. King's went on to win the premiership undefeated.

**Round 3** – Shore 134 (M Razeen 2/17, G Karunaratne 2/22) and 6(dec)/159 def High 106 (G Karunaratne 42) and 4/118 (D Blaxell 60\*) – 1st Innings loss

The result of this game had us even lower than the round before. It was a game that had us thinking after the game – “how did we lose that?” There were more than a few times where we were well on top and looked sure to win, but somehow it just slipped out of our grasp once again. The only highlight was in the second innings where our top order clicked, but it was too little too late.

In the holidays, training started early again as we knew we had a lot to improve for the next few games. There were some positives to take out of our first three games, but the fact remained, we were none from three and had an equal share of last place on the table. We were determined to turn our season around, and it started with Newington.

**Round 4** – High 131 (G Manamperi 34, E Hibbert 24) def Newington 127 (M Samarasinghe 6/27) – 1st Innings Win



**Second Eleven**

**Back Row:** D. Blaxell, V. De Silva, M. Samarasinghe

**Second Row:** M. Razeen, G. Manamperi, N. Frazi, E. Hibbert, S. Wickramasinghe, T. Razeen

**Front Row:** V. Patel, D. Gunaratne, M. Samaraweera (Captain), Mr K. Lewis (Coach), S. Kumar, G. Karunaratne, S. Karunaratne

## Cricket

We came into the one-dayer against Newington with renewed confidence and a will to win, but little did we know that it was a win that all of us would remember for a long time to come. Scoring a modest but defensible total of 131 in the 50 over match, we sent Newington in. Their batsmen played really well and coupled with stupid fielding mistakes and dropped catches, they got off to a good start. At the 33 overs drinks break, things weren't looking good. Chasing 132 to win, they were 3 for 103. They needed 29 to get with 17 overs left and 7 wickets in hand. Enter Mark Samarasinghe. The "part-time" leggie used the soft surface of the McKay pitch to get a mile of turn away from the batsmen in an amazing display of leg-spin bowling. He almost single-handedly robbed the game from Newington grabbing 6/27 with 2 wickets off his 10th and final over. The win marked the beginning of our season; finally we were showing some signs of our true potential.

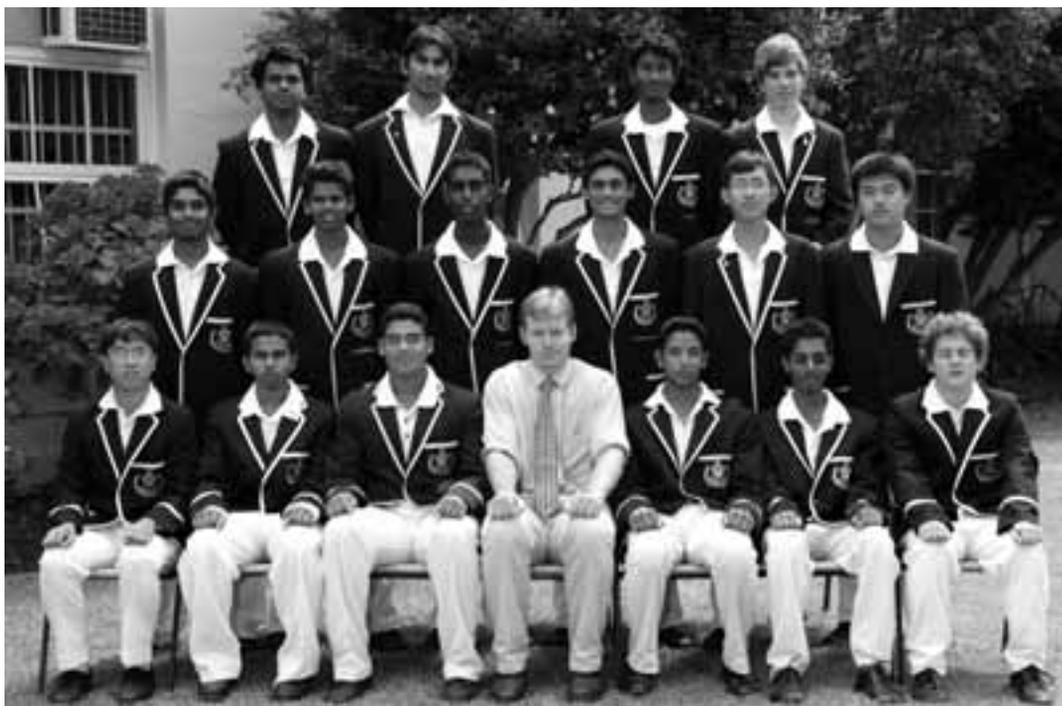
**Round 5** – High 6(dec)/228 (S Wickramasinghe 48\*, M Samaraweera 39, S Kumar 35) def Scots 121 (S

Karunaratne 4/17, G Manamperi 3/2) and 5/133 (E Hibbert 3/36) – 1st Innings Win

The confidence from the Newington win really showed in Round 5. An opening partnership of 80 runs and then solid contributions from all our batsmen set the standard for the rest of the game. Our batsmen made the unpredictable McKay pitch look like a perfect batting deck. With the ball, although through certain periods we had to fight for a wicket, Scots never looked to be in the game because of our solid total. In the end, we bowled them out 107 runs short of our total. The only disappointment was not securing the outright win against the much weaker team through lapses of concentration with the ball and in the field, but overall, it was an awesome team effort.

**Round 6** – Joey's 7(dec)/175 (N Frazi 3/47, S Karunaratne 2/9) and 3/60 (G Manamperi 2/12) def High 125 (S Kumar 32, M Samaraweera 25) and 128 (G Manamperi 47, S Wickramasinghe 44) – 1st Innings Loss

Joey's was a tough match, probably the best team



### Third Eleven

**Back Row:** S. Prabakaran, B. Hansra, P. A. Rajasekera, P. Gordon

**Second Row:** T Uddin, D. Gunasekera, V. De Silva, A. Sarkar, B. Nham, J. Zhao

**Front Row:** G. Ngo, T. Quazi, A. Islam (Captain), Mr H. Howey (Coach), R. Vadali (Vice Captain), S. Mani, H. Frisoli

we faced in the comp. We were very confident of pulling off a win, but perhaps a little overconfident. It showed in our shot selection with the bat. After a good 60 run opening partnership, we slumped to 5/85 at lunch and ended up all out on 125. From there, they didn't hesitate to put us away. They really taught us a lesson with the ball, bat and in the field. Some positives came again from the second innings where Gajaba Manamperi and Suren had a good partnership making 47 and 44 respectively.

**Round 7** – High 185 (M Samarasinghe 95) def St Ignatius 182 (S Wickramasinghe 4/40, M Samarasinghe 2/47) – 1st Innings Win

This match was absolutely crucial for us. This game was the difference between 4th and 7th on the table. Mark Samarasinghe played a brilliant innings scoring a well-made 95. With that we worked our way up to a good total of 185. Their innings saw the game seesaw many times. At one stage they were 4 for 110 before we clawed our back with Suren grabbing a 4-for. This left them on 8 for 155, and we were on a roll, but again they had a mini

partnership. We grabbed another wicket to make it 9 for 179 when their captain came in at number 11. With the match in the balance, us needing 1 wicket, them needing 7 runs, we needed something inspirational. That inspiration came from Shaheen Kumar. With everyone on the edges of their seats, Shaheen calmly said, "Gimme the ball". Even considering he hadn't bowled a single ball the whole season, he still had the confidence to trust in himself and lift for his team in the hour of need. And lift he did. The catch was a screamer, Edward Hibbert grasping a bullet on the second attempt that ended the Iggies innings at 182, four runs short of their target.

It was the best possible way we could have ended the season, and for all the year 12s, their Sydney High careers. It was made even sweeter hearing that the rest of the results went our way, leaving us fourth on the ladder behind Kings, Joeys and Newington, who we'd beaten. Considering we were none from three after the first half of the season, to come back and win 3 of our last 4 matches was a



**Fourth Eleven**

**Back Row:** G. Guruparan, Y. Hussain, A. Wijeyaratne

**Second Row:** L. Chen, T. Uddin, E. Blaxell, A. Gupta, S. Srikumar, A. Huynh

**Front Row:** L. Rahman, N. Islam, J. Morgan (Manager), S. Syed (Captain), S. Burke, F. Amin, M. Lunney



**16A Eleven**

**Back Row:** R. Jang, A. Jawahir, A. Husaini, M. Coutts, F. Jin, O. Pereira, L. Yang  
**Front Row:** B. Prentice-Davidson, D. Gunaratne, R. Pandit, R. George, R. Baskaran



**16B Eleven**

**Back Row:** N. Levanic, A. Surendran, D. Kumagaya  
**Front Row:** A. Naik, M. Ng, G. Panicker, A. Ashokkumar, L. Deacon



**15A Eleven**

**Back Row:** T. Rosengarten, A. Kandasamy, V. Perananthan, M. Coutts, M. Fsadni, S. Iyer, Z. Harrison-Tikisci

**Front Row:** G. Qin, D. Bowes, K. Sriranjana (Captain), D. Vithanage, I. Bapat



**14A Eleven**

**Back Row:** N. Pednekar, M. Wong, S. Ali, T. Lim

**Front Row:** M. Ambrose, M. Mikha, A. Brown (Captain), H. Richards, D. Nguyen

truly remarkable effort and finishing fourth on the table is a true indication of the work the team put in to achieve the results.

Special thanks go to the 1st grade coaches with whom we trained: Mark Retter, Mr Kourtesis and Callum Hockey. It was them in the holiday trainings who taught us to fight for a win, even when we were down and out, and that fighting spirit won us a couple of our games this year. And finally Kieran Lewis, the Second XI coach. He's been at the helm of Second XI a few years now and he's starting to get some real success as he establishes himself as a coach.

The standout for the season was Suren Wickramasinghe bagging the batting and bowling awards – a true indication of the dedication he put in for Second XI. Gajaba Manamperi also had a great season with the ball and the bat. Mark Samarasinghe proved to be a vital and inspirational part of the team, despite joining the side half way through the season. He had the best individual score of any batsman (95) as well as the best bowling figures (6/27).

*Batting Aggregate: Suren Wickramasinghe (179 – avg 19.89)*

*Bowling Aggregate: Suren Wickramasinghe (18 – avg 20.78)*

*Team Award: Gajaba Manamperi (178 runs and 8 wickets)*

*Player's Player: Suren Wickramasinghe*

**Manusha Samaraweera, Captain**

## Fourth Eleven

The Fourth XI, or Xtreme XI as it is more affectionately known, consisted of a group of players who wanted to play cricket but either lacked the skill to make first or second grade, or didn't want to experience the fierce competition that it involved. The relaxed attitude to competitive cricket attracted many and thus we were able to form a team consisting of Year 11s.

The team was optimistic of its results this season, as it included some fine talent. And they didn't disappoint, losing only two games in the first half of the season. Many reasons for these losses included the light heartedness of our play, swapping around



### 14B Eleven

**Back Row:** R. Chowdhury, W. Chan, R. Alam, R. Shenoy, J. Chen, V. Ung, S. He

**Front Row:** B. Apolonio, M. Luchetti, L. Brown, S. Chin, T. Burston

the batting order so that everyone in the team could get a fair go.

High were fired up for the second term of cricket and produced astounding results, winning all but one game convincingly. It was a credit to the dedication and motivation of the team to still perform well, even at a lower grade.

Many thanks must go to Mr Morgan and Mr Lunney who helped us tirelessly throughout the season, umpiring, scoring and bringing the kit to every game.

*Best Batsman:* Faraz Amin

*Best Bowler:* Arghya Gupta

*Team Award:* James Morgan

### Sahir Syed

## 14A Eleven

This season we enjoyed our cricket immensely, despite yielding to teams that proved stronger and more experienced. As the season progressed so did our skills in the field and our ability to dig in when

batting. Our fielding resulted in run outs and catches that surprised and inspired us to continue. The batting high was Kerrod McPherson's 82 against King's. We must also recognise Arun Krishnan. Arun stuck with Kerrod throughout most of his innings. Arun ended up with 32 runs.

The misfortune of a Scots player on 99 highlighted our flashes of brilliance in the field, caught Alisdair Brown, bowled Maxeem Mikha.

We have learnt that we can be a team to be reckoned with but often lack the discipline to follow through. Our team spirit is unsurpassed and the support given to each and every effort of members of this team makes cricket the sport that it is. With commitment to the development of our skills and the continued "never say die" attitude will help us develop into a team to be recognised in the GPS competition.

Thank you to Mr Fuller for his supervision and impartial umpiring; Mr Heil for his organisation and support of the team and Mr McPherson for scoring



### 13A Eleven

**Back Row:** R. Kamal, B. Kelly, J. Hajj, C. Nguyen, A. Liu

**Front Row:** D. Morgan, Y. Liu, B. Encel (Captain), T. Molloy, M. Phung



### **13B Eleven**

**Back Row:** W. Zheng, A. Thyagaraju, J. Pham, D. Ma, N. Wang, H. Zhuang, W. Lee  
**Front Row:** S. Sandhu, D. Luo, B. Wang (Captain), K. Perera (Vice Captain), H. Huang

throughout the season and offering us invaluable encouragement and coaching tips.

The Team: Alisdair Brown (Captain), Kerrod McPherson (Vice Captain), Razeen Ahmed, Michael Ambrose, Tasneem Choudhuri, Arun Krishnan, Timmy Lim, Maxeem Mikha, Darren Nguyen, Hugo Richards, Ragghav Saggarr.

### **14B Eleven**

For every pile, there is a bottom stone. This stone may seem unimportant and a waste of a stone, but without the stone, the pile would topple over. And in the 04/05 cricket season, the 14Bs were that bottom stone. An “unimportant team” and a “waste of talent”. But if we didn’t turn up to a three hour cricket game every week, usually with half a team, would that be good sportsmanship? Would we feel better if we didn’t play instead of lose? Would the other teams feel good if we forfeited every match? The answer to all these questions is no.

With half a team, getting over 30 runs is, I think, an achievement. And getting over 100 is remarkably exquisite! That was our highest score, 118. Sure, Grammar got 209 but they had a full team. The guys who put on a brave face and turned up every week to have a good game of cricket have my congratulations. And these guys steadily improved throughout the season. Kudos to Matt Wong, Jeffery Chen and Lachlan Brown who were granted the team, batting and bowling awards, respectively, at the cricket dinner.

So being the bottom stone isn't actually all that bad. In fact, I think that this team has more potential than many that we have played and is probably the greatest in the competition. And owing to the fact that the 05/06 15Bs season is currently half over, I now have the privilege to captain a team with even more potential than last year.

**Lachlan Brown, Captain**

# Basketball



## **First Grade Basketball**

**Back Row:** C. J. Yong, V. Domni, T. Mainprize, V. Wei, D. Palana  
**Front Row:** J. Kraindler, P. McDonnell, Dr. K. Jagger (Principal), C. Conway (Captain), Mr. B. Hayman (Coach), F. Wong, D. Sun

## Second Grade Basketball

Second grade basketball was shaping up to be a team to be reckoned with in the 2005 GPS season. Tough First and Second Grade squad trainings began early in Terms 2 and 3 and were coached by Mr Hayman and Vince Salomon. After a long preseason training in preparation for the GPS season the second grade team consisted of:

- Raymond Huynh (Captain)
- Lewis d'Avigdor
- Patrick Tung
- Chris Tran
- Michael Levy
- Kenny Huang
- Eugene Wong
- Roger Burrell
- Harry Walker

With many talented players in the team including young gun Harry Walker, High proved to be no pushover in the GPS.

One of the most memorable games was at home when Second Grade played Scots. With a solid half court trap High were able to contain Scots to minimal points sparking a lead of as much as 20 points. Powerful post players Eugene Wong, Roger Burrell and Kenny Huang proved too much for Scots in the first half. However a third quarter comeback saw Scots storm back into the game. High were able to maintain composure and hold onto a three point victory, marking the first win for second grade basketball in over four years.

Players including Roger Burrell showed great promise for future years of basketball dominating many second grade players in only his first year of basketball after switching from rowing. Lewis d'Avigdor was high impact and a valuable right handed player. Guards including Patrick Tung and Harry Walker were sharp shooters and knocked down shots from every side of the court. Forwards in the team carried a lot of pressure and were given no slack in games and many would step up during crucial moments of play. Throughout the season Michael Levy also showed glimpses of greatness after also switching from rowing. The only Year 12 forward Chris Tran was very consistent, much like his fashion, always turning up to games and training in classy shirts and jeans with his hair all gelled up.

Throughout the season High were very unlucky not to come out amongst the top three schools. Many

games were led by High for up to three quarters of basketball only to be snatched of victory by opposing sides such as Joey's and King's. The season was packed full of intense training and it paid off as High was highly competitive. Many thanks go to the coaching staff and to head coach of second grade Vince Salomon who put countless hours into preparing us for each game week in and week out.

**Raymond Huynh, Captain**

## Third Grade Basketball

In the context of a relatively difficult competition in the top grades, where the Sydney High teams struggled against classy opponents throughout the year, the third grade side of 2005 seemed to be an exception to the general rule. Completing a strong pre-season in Term 4 2004 against all the GPS sides, securing two wins over King's and St Joseph's, and earning a close draw against a strong Grammar side, SHS thirds were well placed to have a very successful main season come 2005. However, it was more from the close losses suffered in the pre-season, notably to Shore by a mere 2 points, that we attained the maturity and determination to play hard to the end and give it our all when the main season arrived.

With our confidence high and skills honed by our old-boy, and former First Grade player, coach, Dave Lee, we came into our first game full of expectation. Travelling to Scots was always going to be difficult, and in a tough encounter with a tough opponent we came off second best, with Scots walking away with the win by a clearance of ten points. However, this loss proved to be a blessing in disguise as it inspired some hard work that week to ensure that we would reach our potential in the coming games. Against a far taller Shore side at the High gym, we shut them down with a close man-to-man defence, and came away with the win. Next to come would be Joey's who lost their cool in the closing minutes of a close encounter where the margin never reached more than 4 points. We came away with the points, winning 30 to 26.

On two wins in succession, we travelled to King's expecting a big win over what we considered the weakest of the teams in the draw. Down on personnel, we played the entire game with only seven players. Knowing we would tire towards the end, we played a fast-paced game early in an effort to get a strong lead, but to no avail. Our committed

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opponents shut us down, and capitalised on our mistakes. King's went in to the second half with a commanding eight points lead. However, a near-heroic defensive effort throughout the game headed by Philip Tripp and David Greenup, and some awesome work in offence by Keith Wong and Yang He, saw us grab an emphatic win on the buzzer 25 points to 23.

On three games straight we were to come up against the toughest opponent in the draw, St Ignatius', at home the next week. After being given a touch-up on how to play basketball in the pre-season by this side, we expected a tough match. With key players unavailable, we were muscled and intimidated off the court by a bigger and faster side.

After an unattractive score line against Iggies, we made amends in our final game, against Grammar, the side we drew against in the first round of the pre-season. In a scrappy game littered by mistakes and severely lacking rhythm we came out on top, finishing the season off on a high.

As alluded to at the outset, Third Grade's winning season, which consisted of four wins from six, in the context of a year in which High certainly struggled against their better-skilled opponents, is evidence of the team's commitment and determination to achieving results worthy of the High colours, which should be every Sydney High sportsman's goal.

Special mention must be given to all the members of the team who worked so hard to make this season possible and also our coach David Lee who gave up his time and energy in order to bring about such a great year for High and for ourselves individually.

**Philip Tripp, Captain.**

## 16A Basketball

The 2004 2005 basketball season proved to be very rewarding for the 16As team as a whole and individually. For all of us, these games were the last before we entered Opens, and we made the most of



### **Second Grade Basketball**

**Back Row:** Mr V. Salomon (Coach), M. Levy, R. Burrell, C. Tran, E. Wong

**Front Row:** L. d'Avigdor, P. Tung, R. Huynh, K. Huang, H. Walker

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the season, with substantial improvements from the season before in all our games. Through both Terms the 16As managed to come away with four wins, and many close losses, with the highlight being the well-earned one point win against Scots.

Throughout this season each player played to his full potential, specialising in certain aspects of his game. Si-Yang Wang, Si-Yang Cui and Terry Ly all improved upon their shooting percentages, and proved to be offensive threats from outside the key. Victor Nguyen and Alex Lee can be noted for their amazing dribbling and passing skills which bound the team together. Alex Vulkanovski and Jamie Tao

also made excellent contributions on defence proving to be tough players to beat. Alex Vertoudakis and Moussa Farhat (C) dominated the low posts, and drove into the key putting points on the board, more so as the season progressed.

Individually we improved immensely, but it was as a team that we truly co-operated on the court and pulled away with satisfying results. With the guidance of our coach Ben Mustafa, and others of the coaching staff, and the consistent hard training by all players the 2004 2005 season for the 16As was one to remember.

**Moussa Farhat, Captain**



### **Third Grade Basketball**

**Back Row:** D. Greenup, W. Hong, W. Xu, G. Pasupathy, Y. Bang (Coach)

**Front Row:** J. Chen, K. Wong, P. Tripp (Captain), T. Chan, F. Balgahom

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**Fourth Grade Basketball**

**Back Row:** T. Mei, M. Popescu, Y. Ming

**Front Row:** G. Zinger, I. Nomchong, H-S. Chung, J. Archer, J. Kamerman



**Fifth Grade Basketball**

**Back Row:** A. Trinh, G. Zhang, R. Li, P. Roser, H. Dang, W. Zhang

**Front Row:** T. Wang, S. Chhor, Y-H. Kim, J. Lu, B. Chan, J. Sun, J. Luong

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**Sixth Grade Basketball**

**Back Row:** K. Ho, T. Chong, E. Chau, P. Lieu

**Front Row:** A. Chong, A. Kwon, J. Jiang, Y. Yeung, M. Tao, K. Amilbansa, T. Tan



**Seventh Grade Basketball**

**Back Row:** J. Phan, W. Kwok, M. Taylor, I. Kwok

**Front Row:** P. Zhang, A. Cohen, K. Xue, C. Chen, J. Phung, R. Pereira, J. Cheung

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**16A Basketball**

**Back Row:** J. Chiu, A. Vulkanovski, T. Ly, S. Wang

**Front Row:** J. Tao, A. Vertoudakis, V. Nguyen (Captain), A. Lee, S. Cui



**16B Basketball**

**Back Row:** D. Hu, W. Shi, W. Zhuang, P. Duffy, A. Wang

**Front Row:** J. Xie, J. Ding, C. Wong (Captain), R. Miao, D. Wong

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**16C Basketball**

**Back Row:** W. Lu, W. Shen, T. Ly, M. Keldoulis, J. Wilson

**Front Row:** N. Tran, R. Tran, J. Kim, J. Tran, R. Xu



**16D Basketball**

**Back Row:** R. Alchin, E. Yao, M. Chen, J. Phu, P. Malek

**Front Row:** T. Iskander, R. Teung, S. Yuan, L. Wong (Captain), J. Lai, M. Alim, C. Palana

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**15A Basketball**

**Back Row:** J. Shih, A. Leung, B. Lee, D. Campion, C. Liu  
**Front Row:** S. Sugito, G. Lo, M. Bock, K. Iyer, T. Lindeback



**15B Basketball**

**Back Row:** A. Tse, L. Street, D. Simpson, A. Taylor, K. Vingnanasingam  
**Front Row:** M. Myronenko, P. Locke, D. Chiu (Captain), Z. Mancenido, D. Yu

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**15C Basketball**

**Back Row:** J. Ma, N. McDonnell, P. Wang, B. Lung, M. Serban  
**Front Row:** C. Yang, A. Karunakaran, H. Gu, J. Dai, K. Wang



**15D Basketball**

**Back Row:** C. Yang, R. Ji, S. Liu, M. Sun, S. Lee  
**Front Row:** L. Tan, M. Lee, J. Huang, J. Wong, S. Yang, E. Ang, A. Thomas

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**14A Basketball**

**Back Row:** Ms A. Ward (Coach), B. Lau, D. Peng, D. Shan, M. Lau, S. Zheng  
**Front Row:** A. Chan, L. Teng, J. Tassell (Captain), S. Dong, J. Wong



**14B Basketball**

**Back Row:** Ms A. Ward (Coach), J. Chen, B. Lu, J. Park, J. Nguyen, D. Nam  
**Front Row:** M. Yiu, S. Ponraj, J. Li, N. Abeysuriya, G. Astafiev

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**14C Basketball**

**Back Row:** H. Li, S. Ke, S. Jacob

**Front Row:** M. Chan, D. Hi, B. Yang, K. Lim, A. Ang



**14D Basketball**

**Back Row:** L. Tran, T. Tran, M. Feng, N. Wong, S. Lei, W. Zhang

**Front Row:** N. Street, A. Tran, W. Szet, J. Chen, V. Khou

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**13A Basketball**

**Back Row:** T. Xiao, J. Laing, J. Nguyen, B. Chen

**Front Row:** J. Braverman, A. Paul, S. Yoon, A. Kugendran, L. Gordon



**13B Basketball**

**Back Row:** J. Castillo, J. Sutton, D. Yan, L. Li

**Front Row:** B. Ly, B. Cheung, J. Toohey, G. Shargorodsky, B. Cabanilla

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**13C Basketball**

*Back Row: L. Wang, M. Wang, J. Jiang*

*Front Row: N. Adel, M. Lee, V. Vo, D. Tran, H. Tran*



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*V. Goh, S. Silveira, I. Lu, J. Lee, S. Yung*

# Tennis



## **First Grade Tennis**

**Back Row:** H. Neo, D. Bodrozic, M. Kelly, A. Zinzopoulos  
**Front Row:** B. Ly, Dr. K. Jaggarr (Principal), P. Pereira (Captain), Ms H. Tutthill (MIC Tennis), I. Cerecina, Mr R. Boros (Manager)

## First Grade Tennis

The 2005 season was in many ways the end of an era for High tennis. The last remaining members of the old first-grade teams entered their last seasons. The team that has been so successful over so many seasons literally grew up together, starting in 2001 and flourishing from the end of 2002, was to be cast away by season's end. The loss of two outstanding stalwarts for High in Michael Hayes and Tim Neville meant we were short on depth this year, however with two brilliant frontrunners in Dejan Bodrozic and Brian Ly, we were always in contention for the title. This didn't make it a *fait accompli*, though. The team for this season was not a fixed one, with a lot of change in the lower order throughout the season. As such, the squad consisted of Dejan, Brian, Mitchell Kelly, Alex Zinzopoulos, Hung Neo, Ivan Cerecina, and myself as captain.

The pre-season is always a chance for us to trial a few players in the big-time and sort the doubles combinations out. Tennis is now the only sport with a pre-season and in recent years, High has been able to take full advantage of this. We started the pre-

season with trials on warm Wednesday afternoons and damp Friday mornings. Dejan, Brian and myself were automatic selections for first grade, leaving three spots up for grabs. As is always the case at the elite level, demand outstripped supply, but this improved the standard of competition and the players seemed to lift a notch, knowing what was at stake. The players under consideration were Hung, Ivan, Alex and David Cao. Of these four, Alex was omitted to seconds, where he captained the side in the pre-season. We had a team which was short on match-practice and experience. It was the job of our coach Carl Nielsen to extract the best out of this squad.

Our first trial match was against Grammar, who were considerably weaker than their team of 2004. We came away with a 5-4 victory, which was not a positive signal. The most pleasing aspect of this fixture was the combination of Dejan and Hung at the number one doubles, which seemed to gel straight away. Coach Carl remarked at the time, "This could be a long season."

The second match was away against Riverview, our



**Combined GPS Tennis Representatives**

*Dr K. Jaggar (Principal), D. Bodrozic, B. Ly, M. Kelly, Mr R. Boros (Manager), Ms H. Tuthill (MIC Tennis)*

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	<b>Round 1 Newington College 5 February 2005</b>	<b>Round 2 Scots College 12 February 2005</b>	<b>Round 3 The Kings School 19 February 2005</b>	<b>Round 4 St Joseph's College 26 February 2005</b>	<b>Round 5 Shore School 5 March 2005</b>	<b>Round 6 St Ignatius College 12 March 2005</b>	<b>Round 7 Sydney Grammar 19 March 2005</b>
1st grade	Win 8-4	Win 10-2	Win 9-3	Win 11-1	Win 10-2	Loss 4-8	Win 11-1
2nd grade	Loss 1-11	Loss 2-10	Win 11-1	Loss 5.5-6.5	Loss 2-10	Loss 0-12	Loss 4-8
3rd grade		Loss 2-4	Loss 1-5	Loss 0-6	Draw 3-3	Draw 3-3	Draw 3-3
4th grade		Draw 3-3	Win 4-2	Draw 3-3	Draw 3-3	Draw 3-3	Draw 3-3
5th grade		Loss 1-5	Draw 3-3	Loss 0-6	Win 6-0	Draw 3-3	Loss 1-5
6th grade		Draw 3-3	Loss 0-6	Loss 0-6	Win 6-0	Draw 3-3	Win 4-2
16As		Loss 0-6	Loss 1-5	Loss 0-6	Loss 0-6	Loss 0-5 (unfinished)	Loss 1-5
16Bs		Win 4-2	Win 4-2	Loss 0-6	Loss 1-5	Loss 1-5	Draw 3-3
16Cs		Win 5-1	Loss 2-4	Loss 1-5	Loss 2-4	Loss 1-5	Loss 1-5
16Ds		Win 4-2	Loss 1-5	Loss 0-6	Win 6-0	Loss 0-6	Draw 3-3
15As		Win 4-2	Win 4-2	Loss 2-4	Loss 2-4	Loss 1-5	Loss 1-5
15Bs		Win 6-0	No result	Draw 3-3	Loss 2-4	Loss 1-5	Loss 1-5
15Cs		Win 5-1	Win 4-2	Win 5-1	Draw 3-3	Loss 2-4	Draw 3-3
15Ds		Win 5-1	Win 4-2	Draw 3-3	Win 5-1	No result	Win 6-0
14As		Draw 3-3	Loss 0-6	Loss 1-5	Draw 3-3	Loss 1-5	Loss 1-5
14Bs		Win 4-2	Loss 0-6	Win 4-2	Loss 2-4	Loss 2-4	Loss 2-4
14Cs		Loss 1-5	Loss 0-6	Win 4-2	Draw 3-3	Loss 0-6	Win 4-2
14Ds		Loss 0-6	Loss 0-6	Loss 1-5	Draw 3-3	Draw 3-3	Win 5-1
13As		No result	Won 4-2	No result	Loss 2-4	Loss 1-5	No result
13Bs		No result	Draw 3-3	No result	Loss 2-4	Loss 2-4	No result
13Cs		No result	Loss 0-6	No result	Loss 2-4	Loss 1-5	No result
13Ds		No result	Loss 2-4	No result	Loss 2-4	No result	No result



### **Second Grade Tennis**

**Back Row:** H. Liu, H. Dang, H. Le

**Front Row:** P. Wong, M. Nguyen (Captain), Ms H. Tuthill (Manager), D. Cao (Vice Captain), D. Song

nemesis of many years. This is always a good acid test for us, and this time was no different. The Riverview side of this season lacked our experience but had very good depth, which has always been their strong point. Their skill levels were good, though nowhere near their 'Dream teams' of 2000 and 2001. We felt we were every chance of knocking them off, having emphatically beaten them in the 2004 GPS season at the same venue. The number one Riverview doubles was not a strength of theirs in recent times and Dejan and Hung exploited this. Apart from this though, there was little joy for us. Their months of off-season training showed against us, in what was a somewhat disjointed performance. It did show us how much we needed to improve to start considering ourselves for the crown.

Our third match was against Kings, in which we just managed to squeeze home. The only point worth noting here was the first singles win for Ivan, after almost a year in first grade. As I said before, the pre-season is not about beating everybody, but making progress in small areas. Ivan proved to himself that he could play at the top level, and this was a good

sign for us, especially with the lower order the key to success. It is the little things like this that contribute to a successful pre-season. We won this fixture 8-4, a reasonable performance all up.

The following match was played against St. Josephs, who collected the dreaded wooden spoon in season 2004. Their player roster was again weaker than previous years. Their rugby star, Kurtley Beale, who also played first tennis for Joey's in 2004 (although his tennis prowess wasn't near his amazing rugby skills), transferred to basketball, further weakening them. We won two doubles, with David and Ivan losing in a third set tie-breaker (note in the pre-season, doubles was 'best of two' – if the scores were level at a set all, a tie-breaker is played). The singles panned out as expected with wins to the top four to secure a comfortable 9-3 win.

Rounds 5 and 6 were very difficult for us as we were without Dejan and Brian who were in Bendigo for the National school championships, at which we placed an outstanding third place. Round 5 was against Shore School, who were considered the dark

horse for the GPS competition. Their number one had improved markedly since the previous season, using his height to his advantage. Their number two was a young lad who will play GPS 1st grade for many years yet. In fact their eldest team member was in year 9. As we were significantly worse off, we were heavily beaten. A positive aspect though was Alex Zinzopoulos's maiden win in first grade against a decent opponent. This gave us an indication that Alex was able to handle the pressures of first grade, and would play a role in future selection processes. The final round of the pre-season was against Scots college, a middle-of-the-road team with a great top-order but a weak lower-order. Again Alex won his singles, further convincing us of his potential.

The pre-season then, ended with three wins and three losses. This is immaterial. There were plenty of things to take away from the pre-season into the GPS season. In early December through to the middle of January we began psychology sessions with our coach and resident psychologist, Carl Nielsen. These sessions were amazingly valuable, even for 'veterans' like me. These lessons helped us appreciate our strengths and weaknesses, and how best to use our strengths to win tennis matches. Winning and losing doesn't matter but if you are aware of why things have happened on the court and tried to best use your strengths to win, then that is all we can ask for. From around the middle of January we began intensive training sessions in the scorching surrounds of Parklands tennis centre. For three days a week we'd be hitting, drilling, and simulating matches for four hours. Some of us also played tournaments on the weekend. In the final week of the holidays, we trained at Da Silva's at Kingsford, our home ground. Here was where the selection battle took place. Everyone had an opinion on who should be in the team, but the only ones that mattered were Carl, Ms Tuthill and Mr Boros, our manager. Alex had been down to Melbourne for the Australian Open, which delayed the process. The team announced to play the first GPS match was as follows: Dejan Bodrozic, Brian Ly, Peter Pereira, Hung Neo, Alex Zinzopoulos, Ivan Cerecina.

Each week, I recounted the events of the previous Saturday in High Notes. This is how I saw the season as it happened:

**Round 1, 29/1/2005: SHS 8 d. NC 4**

Newington Courts greeted us with very warm and

dry conditions. The hard courts made for a difficult physical challenge for the players even before a ball was hit. Almost right on 12:30 pm, first-grade began its assault on a third premiership. The Newington side we played was a consistent side, lacking the brilliance at the top of the order but making up for it with tactical nous, good doubles play and competitive singles players down the order.

Our goal was to win two of the three doubles to make our passage to victory easier. Brian Ly and Peter Pereira were given favourable opponents and went into cruise control at 2. Ivan Cerecina and Alex Zinzopoulos fought well at 3 but came up short. Dejan Bodrozic and Hung Neo competed well but were hurt by a high error count which did not help establish any rhythm. With the arrival of the singles, we required 4 out of 6 matches to secure victory - not an easy task, considering we had only budgeted on three. Dejan showed no mercy to his opponent in dismantling him, and Brian countered his unorthodox counterpart. Peter played a thoughtful and controlled match to win the third singles, while Alex was out-hit by his Newington opposite. This meant one of Hung and Ivan needed to win and it was the latter who stood up when needed, defeating an opponent of similar size and ability. Hung couldn't quite get over the line but we did manage to win the tie by 8 points to 4.

While we may have been able to score a few more points in this fixture, the important thing is that we got over the line. In the last two years, we struggled to find our feet in the first week, winning by 8-4 on both occasions. The same has occurred this year, and we will be driven to improve on our efforts from last week when we take on a Scots' side who will be keen to defeat a High side they have not beaten in some four years.

**Round 2, 5/2/2005: SHS 10 d. TSC 2**

High traveled to the green surrounds of Bellevue Hill to play a team which also had a first-round win. This Scots' side had an excellent top-order which was our main concern. However we too possess a brilliant number 1 and 2 in Dejan Bodrozic and Brian Ly who struggled at first, before coming through in a three-set blockbuster at one. Newcomer Mitchell Kelly and Peter Pereira were not faultless but played well enough to win, while Hung Neo and Alex Zinzopoulos were gallant in defeat.

Having achieved our target of two doubles from

three, we needed three singles to seal the match. Mitchell and Peter were speedy in straight-sets wins, and Hung was out-hit by a more consistent opponent. With Dejan, Brian and Alex on court at the same time, one might expect the former two to finish first. However it was Alex who scored a gutsy win, coming back from a break in the third to peel off four straight games. Brian was not happy with himself despite making his classy opponent look second-rate. This left Dejan who played a very determined match, coming down from 0-4 in the first set to win it in a tiebreaker, before going on with the job in the second.

This gave us a very pleasing 10-2 victory, which mirrors our start to last year. We'll look to continuing this form next week when we take on Kings' at Parramatta.

#### **Round 4, 12/2/2005 SHS 9 d. TKS 3**

This was our final away match of the season, against a middle-of-the-road Kings' side who during the week lost their best player to an overseas training camp. This significantly weakened their doubles prowess and we felt we were capable of scoring all three doubles matches.

Dejan Bodrozic and Mitchell Kelly made light work of their opponents at one, Brian Ly and Peter Pereira were economical at two and Hung Neo and Alex Zinzopoulos were error-prone at three. The singles arrived and with two of the doubles in hand, the win was not in question, rather the margin, which we wanted to maximise. Dejan mauled his Kings' counterpart and Brian didn't drop a game at two. Mitchell and Peter scored straight sets wins to secure the win. Alex took the first set of his match but unfortunately could not sustain the pressure in the second and third sets. Hung took on an opponent who did not suit his style of play and went down.

Overall a 9-3 result is a reasonable effort, however with Riverview winning 11-1 against Scots, we now trail them by 6 points, heading into the second half of the competition. The next two weeks will be crucial for us if we are to fulfil our ambitions and be within striking distance of Riverview when we meet them on March 5. Our immediate focus will be on St. Joseph's though, whom we take on this Saturday in our first home match of the season.

#### **Round 5, 19/2/2005 SHS 11 d. SJC 1**

Sydney High had its first home match of the season against a St. Joseph's side coming of a recent win. This did not at all deter us; rather it gave us the incentive to really put the cleaners through 'Joey's'. With Riverview extending their lead over us the previous week to 6 points, we needed to maximise our return in this fixture.

We altered our doubles combinations to increase our chances of taking all three and this move had the potential to completely backfire. Brian Ly and Peter Pereira blitzed the opponents at one, Dejan Bodrozic and Ivan Cerecina played well to win at two, and most notably, Mitchell Kelly and Alex Zinzopoulos came through 7/5, 7/5 at three. Taking all three doubles was a terrific effort, and virtually ensured we would win, however we needed as many points as we could get. Brian overwhelmed his number one counterpart, Dejan mauled his rival, Peter overcame illness to win and Alex never quite found his rhythm at five. This left Mitchell and Ivan on court, and as the day progressed, the main opposition was not coming from the opposition, rather the heavens. Ivan finished first, scoring a solid win at six, leaving Mitchell with the honour of closing proceedings. He did this with aplomb, battling some indifferent form and holding his nerve to win in three sets.

The 11-1 result is certainly valuable and matches Riverview's result against Newington. Thus the next two weeks will be crucial for us if we are to truly challenge for the title. I believe the team is beginning to peak and this should hold us in good stead for our clash this week with a capable Shore outfit.

#### **Round 5, 26/2/2005 SHS 10 d. SCEGGS 2**

For Sydney High, this could have been the end of the road. So vital was this fixture with Shore, the third-placed team, that a mere win was not enough to remain in the race for the title. With a six point deficit to Riverview still in play, we could not afford to drop any more behind with only two weeks in the competition to play. This called for some risk-taking, which could have, and maybe should have, paid off.

The number one doubles was contested by Dejan Bodrozic and Peter Pereira who were in sublime touch. Brian Ly and Ivan Cerecina were afforded a favourable draw at two, leaving Mitchell Kelly and Alex Zinzopoulos left at three. The pair dominated the first set and came within a sniff of the second,



### **Third to Sixth Grade Tennis**

**Back Row:** M. Masalehdani, A. Leong, N. Balashov, J. Barker, C. Jahja

**Second Row:** Ms H. Tuthill (MIC Tennis), D. Thieviassingham, W. Lester, J. Fan, D. Yang, K. Leong

**Front Row:** D. Qi, T. Wong, M. Wong, D. Ong (Manager), K. Mak, N. Wong, A. Ly

only to see it disappear, and a 5-2 deficit appear in the third. From here they rallied, peeling off three games to tie the match at 5-5, but unfortunately could not sustain this pressure any longer, and were bundled out two games later.

In the singles, Dejan had to grind his way through before winning in three sets. Brian, Peter and Mitchell had breezy straight-sets wins, leaving Ivan and Alex on court. The former was beaten by a boy in-form, while the latter squandered a second set lead, before coming back to take the match in three.

The 10-2 result against the third-placed team is reasonable, but with Riverview winning by the same margin against Kings' we are no closer to bridging the 6 point deficit. This week we take on our nemesis – the most important match for High in years – and we need to make up the entire 6 point gap. This is certainly achievable, and I am confident that we can produce a performance worthy of a team which is hitting its straps at the right time of the season.

### **Round 6, 5/3/2005 SIC 8 d. SHS 4**

The clouds were imminent but they were the least of Sydney High's concerns. Everything was at stake for this match – the two heavyweights of the competition of the last four years going head-to-head to decide the premiership. In the previous four years, two premierships went to High, and two went to Lane Cove. This was the match. High's imposing home record (unbeaten since 2001) looked to give us an advantage right from the start. Another positive was the tremendous Year 12 support group who came and cheered their team on. Playing on synthetic grass also appeared to help us. Working against us though was that Riverview were six points clear of us at the top of the table, and between them, had lost just one out of 30 singles matches this season. This was a huge test at both an individual and team level. Having been involved with 1st grade since 2001, I can honestly say this was the toughest tie I've been involved with, as I will proceed to relate.

Our endless hours of planning for possible



### **16 Years Tennis**

**Back Row:** D. Wong, C. Siu, A. Klocker

**Second Row:** D. Chen, O. Han, S. Lou, E. Stadnik, M. Shen, E. Deng

**Front Row:** R. Luo, J. Leung, E. Luu, J. Hsiao (A1), A. Keswani, A. Alaganar, V. Issaev

Riverview changes was all in vain. They did not alter their line-up one bit, although they played their second doubles pair at three, matching our move and thus nullifying any advantage either side may have had. Brian Ly and Mitchell Kelly played together for the first time in doubles at three, against a pair who've been playing well together for six months. The task seemed daunting but the pair made it look easy, destroying their more fancied opponents in straight sets. At two, the inexperienced pair of Ivan Cerecina and Hung Neo put up a good fight but came away second-best. The number one pair of Dejan Bodrozic and Peter Pereira were confident of a win, and the first set started with an early break to High before some unforced errors and failed returns let Iggies back into the match. At 5-5 in the first, the match was evenly poised, before Peter was broken for the first time and the Iggies number 6 served out the first set. At this point Dejan and Peter decided to "start playing tennis" and this worked wonders, as the pair whipped through the second set 6-2, before a ten minute break before the start of third. The

momentum was with High, but the break seemed to help the Riverview boys who started the third set well. They raced to a 4-1 lead before High rallied to draw closer to 4-3, before the final three games went to serve. This was an unexpected 5-7, 6-2, 4-6 loss which set our hopes back further. It meant we needed to win five of the six singles to achieve our target of a six matches to three victory.

Brian, Hung and Mitchell had all started their singles before the number one doubles was over. Brian was in flawless form, stepping up when we most needed it to obliterate his opponent in quick time. Hung played a familiar opponent, but lack of match fitness hindered his ability to compete with his better-drilled counterpart. Mitchell was confident about his chances, having seen his opponent many a time outside of school. Unfortunately his style suited his opponent's to a tee and after a good start, was shaking hands for a first-up loss. At this point we had two matches to their four. The final three singles were those of Ivan, Dejan and Peter. The former adopted the wrong approach at six and paid for the mistake. Dejan, though not at his best, entertained



### **15 Years Tennis**

**Back Row:** N. Hayes, D. Chim, A. Dovan, E. Montoya, M. Rusli, J. Ip

**Second Row:** T. Mai, A. Lim, A. Ng, A. Shapilsky, C. Cheung, W. Chan

**Front Row:** A. Yung, C. Shum, S. Luo, B. Lee (A1), J. Cohn, S. Ting, A. Kim

the crowd with his big forehand and heavy serve, securing his spot as number one in the combined GPS firsts team with a 6-2, 6-2 win over a well-credentialed opponent. Peter recorded a straight-sets win, but it was not enough to stop either the tie or the premiership heading over the bridge. Riverview 8, High 4. The dream was over.

This loss ended our 23 match GPS winning streak, and four year unbeaten record at home. It's tough to accept but the Riverview team thoroughly deserves its win; their depth was simply too much for us. I thought we put up a strong fight and we had a few things in our favour, and a few points here and there could have changed the landscape of the fixture. But as the old saying goes, "that's the way the cookie crumbles."

#### **Round 7, 12/3/2005 SHS 11 d. SGS**

The final match of the GPS season was a somewhat unusual experience. We had secured second spot on the ladder (a mathematical hope of coming first)

and Grammar were entrenched at the other end. And for four of us, it was the last time we would represent High in tennis. As such there were mixed emotions – there was no great incentive to win, but a chance to go out on a high note. The number one doubles pair of Dejan Bodrozic and Peter Pereira won the first set in ten minutes and the second almost as quickly. Mitchell Kelly and Hung Neo at three won comfortably after a Grammar player was late. Brian Ly and Ivan Cerecina had to work a little but the former's awesome serve saw them through. With three doubles in hand, we wanted to make a clean sweep of the singles as well, as we hadn't won a match 12-0 since 2002. We came very close to achieving this.

Dejan, Brian, Mitchell and Peter were workmanlike in straight-sets victories. Hung struggled to find any consistency, and Ivan steadied himself to go through in three. The final result was 11-1, a satisfactory result which leaves us on 63 points (one short of our total last year).



### **14 Years Tennis**

**Back Row:** K. Nguyen, S. Lee, V. Lim, D. Lo, J. Ireland, T. Gao, T. Huda, H. Neo, T. Zhong

**Front Row:** S. Hoang, B. Diep, D. Lam (A1), Ms H. Tuthill (Coach), H. Huh, M. Dinh

The team has performed quite well this year, although a premiership would have been most satisfying. There have been some outstanding individual performances – Dejan and Brian being named numbers 1 and 2 in the GPS Combined firsts team, in particular.

There are a few other thank-yous that we owe. Firstly to the parents for the sumptuous afternoon teas and support all year; Dr. Jaggar for his continued support of tennis; Mr Boros, for another fantastic season; Carl Nielsen for his dedication to coaching us; and finally Ms. Tuthill, our hardworking MIC whose work behind the scenes keeps us on the courts. As this was the last GPS tennis match for many of us, it would be remiss of me to not mention the school for affording us such a great opportunity to play each week. It has truly been an honour and privilege to represent Sydney High at the highest level for many years, and it is to be hoped that our successes can be continued into the future.

That was how I saw an exciting GPS season. Apart

from the GPS, we again won the Sydney East regional title, beating Endeavour in the final. Unfortunately, we failed to defend our State Stan Jones CHS State crown, finishing third.

At times this season has been frustrating, painful, and always nerve-wracking, but definitely worth every moment. Congratulations to the team on a fine season!

**Peter Pereira, Captain.**

## **Second Grade Tennis**

Following a recent slump in the standards of Sydney High Second Grade GPS Tennis as their First Grade counterparts obliterated every team in their path, a rejuvenated outfit consisting of the youthful exuberance of some Year 11 students and experience from past campaigners set to the task of injecting a new sense of pride into Second Grade Tennis. The team consisted of David Cao, Martin Nguyen (Captain), Hai Le, Hieu Dang, Paul Wong,



### **13 Years Tennis**

**Back Row:** A. Parameswaran, D. McCrae-Steele, M. Carr, B. O'Rourke, M. Tugnait, A. Ramesh, G. Niu

**Front Row:** A. Wu, R. Lin, E. Qiu (A1), Mr T. Ryan (Coach), P. Simos, B. Li

Henry Liu and Daniel Song. However, our obligations to field a team every week would not have been possible without the assistance of Kevin Mak, Daniel Ong and Daniel Thieviasingham, who enthusiastically accepted the challenge.

Welcoming the return of Mr Colin Sherwood as team manager and coach, our pre-season started with a bang as we won three of our first four matches. Grammar, Joeys and Kings were left scratching their heads, shell-shocked, as they were beaten by a Sydney High team rich in talent and most importantly High spirit. However, our cruising juggernaut and confidence came to a grinding halt as Scots and Shore demonstrated their intentions on claiming the title. These defeats and the slight hiccup against Iggies did not deter us from proving ourselves as a potent force in the competition, but rather ignited us into an intense period of training and fitness drills in the summer holidays. By the end of the preseason, the doubles combinations had gelled perfectly while our consistency and motivation skyrocketed. This momentum was slightly marred by a reshuffle in the team as Alex Zinzopoulos's dogged determination and solid

singles victories week in and week out, and to his credit, earned him a spot in the First Grade Tennis Team. With the loss of one player and gain of two new ones, the team adjusted surprisingly well to the alterations.

Physically and mentally prepared, we faced our Round One opponents, Newington. Due to an unusual fault in the pre-season, neither team had the opportunity to play each other and awaited what each other had in store for them. Unfortunately, Newington gained the upper hand on a day in which everything seemed to go wrong for us. It seemed that everybody had left his pre-season form and training at home as Newington raced away with a well-deserved win.

Knowing that the best way to bounce back from the defeat was to hold our heads high and learn from our mistakes, we progressively developed that hunger so pertinent in the pre-season. We grew from strength to strength, losing to Scots by a narrow margin, then beating an unfortunate King's side and drawing to Joeys due to weather disruptions in a fixture where we looked certain to claim a victory.

The improvements in the scorelines also corresponded with our performances. Consistency and winners rose exponentially while unforced errors reduced in our favour. It was somehow disappointing to the players that these improvements could not be translated into victories against the GPS tennis powerhouses, Shore and Iggies, as we struggled to account for their impressive finesse and discipline.

Looking to cement sixth position on the GPS ladder, we faced a previously beaten Grammar side. Although it was the last match of the season, and the last GPS match ever for a couple of us, we did not lack the burning desire to win or competitiveness that we had adhered to during the season. Grammar improved and dashed ahead of us with a narrow win but it was the sportsmanship and persistence of the High players that earned them the respect of their adversaries.

As Captain, I would like to extend my warmest gratitude towards our manager, Mr Sherwood, and MIC of Tennis, Ms Tuthill, whose devotion and commitment to the team was unparalleled. Thanks also go to our coaches Carl Nielsen and Leo Castris who worked tirelessly and beyond their requirements to ensure a competitive team was fielded each week.

I could not finish without commending my teammates, who were always humble in victory and gracious in defeat. Their support and attitudes to the game were highly appreciated, and exemplified the true calibre of High spirit.

Martin Nguyen, Captain

## Third to Sixth Grade Tennis

*"Though many are our tasks severe, with efforts non the less sincere, We'll overcome them year by year"*

This line has encapsulated the efforts of High's Open Tennis sides. Just like the Class of 2005's final year, the tennis year was full of ups and downs, devastating victories and close defeats. I was grateful to manage such a select group of boys who not only showed the High spirit, but also were great ambassadors for Sydney High Tennis. Living in the shadow of such an illustrious First Grade side was often difficult. Many of the boys, Daniel Thieviasingham, Kevin Mak, Paul Wong and myself were asked to step up to Second Grade on numerous occasions due to commitments in the

higher grades. When we did, we relished the opportunity and did not disappoint, continuously produced competitive tennis.

Our pre-season campaign began on a positive note, with handy draws with Grammar and a highly-ranked Kings side. However, in the fixture with Joeys, High fielded an under-strength side and paid the ultimate price, a humiliating defeat from the boys in pink. The disappointing pre-season competition saw some positives gained, such as the rise of Jimmy Fan. Only new to the school, Jimmy was a welcome addition to Sydney High Tennis.

Term 1, when the GPS Season began, the boys became fully focused and were buoyed by the efforts of their First Grade counterparts. Despite never playing Newington in either season, High managed to lose tightly to Scots and Kings. Joeys again proved our nemesis, High going down to them in all but one grade. The fixture at Northbridge with a lacklustre Shore side produced the shining light of the season. Fifth and Sixth Grade both won six rubbers to love, setting up an unassailable lead; Third and Fourth grade produced fine tennis against a Shore side, fielding recently demoted Second Grade players. High managed to draw these two grades and produce a win overall. High again backed this up with a strong showing, another three rubbers all drew in each grade against a robust Riverview side. High finished on a positive note with a close victory over traditional rivals Grammar in the last round of the season at Weigall.

All in all, Season 2004-2005 was one of enjoyment and love shown towards the sport of tennis and Sydney High. Great tennis and an abundance of potential were seen in the highly respectable Third Grade outfit of Thomas Wong, Nelson Wong, Kevin Mak and Daniel Thieviasingham, all of whom should go on to represent High in the higher grades next year.

Special thanks most go to the teachers who helped High's Thirds to Sixths this year. The MIC of tennis, Ms Helen Tuthill, must be congratulated for her tireless work in helping the sport of Tennis at High and for the training which helped me officiate as the first student-manager of High's Tennis program. Ms Belinda White and Mrs Finola Nesbitt must also be thanked for their help on Wednesdays and Saturdays. Ms White in particular, with her youthful exuberance lifted and guided the boys on Wednesdays, after some had suffered heavy defeats on the previous Saturday.

But in particular, the Year 12 boys must be thanked. These boys gave up their Saturday afternoons, despite their studies, to serve High for another season. These boys have dedicated themselves for six years to High's Tennis program and are worthy examples of true High boys. The certificates they received for their participation were small testament to the hundreds of hours they gave to their school and to the sport they loved. Thank you, Paul Wong, David Yang, Dawei Qi, William Lester, Edward Leong and Louis Cheung. Hopefully we will see you around High in the future as old boy coaches and supporters.

**Daniel Ong**

**Manager, 3rds to 6ths Tennis 2004-05**

## 16 Years Tennis

Following a disappointing pre-season with no wins from six, the 16s were looking to improve on their mediocre pre-season performance. The team was greatly boosted by the addition of several Year 11 tennis players who were busy playing Opens tennis during the pre-season. With a new look team for season 2005 and no reason why we couldn't achieve our foremost goal of avoiding the wooden spoon (something we've struggled to do on a regular basis), there were higher than usual expectations to perform in season 2005. Following a vigorous two hour training session during the last week of the summer holidays and the usual Wednesday afternoon training session, we were ready for the season opener against Scots.

With a revised schedule of play for 2005 where the Cs and Ds would play before the As and Bs, the Cs and Ds arrived for an early 8 am start against Scots. Knowing that this would be our best chance of recording a team win, the Cs and Ds went all out, giving High a 9-3 lead at the halfway mark. Despite mixed results in the As and Bs, High managed to clinch the tie 13 matches to 11. A job well done!

After a relaxing Wednesday training session, High was full of confidence going into another away tie against Kings. The Cs and Ds were outplayed by a creditable Kings outfit, winning only 3 of the 12 matches with a few lopsided scorelines to both sides. On what was a peculiar afternoon, the As and Bs managed to salvage some pride for High. However, in the end the tie went Kings' way, 16 rubbers to 8.

On the road for the third week in a row, High arrived at St Joseph's with an under strength side. With most players having to play positions higher up than they're used to and with the horrendous scoreline from the pre-season still fresh in our minds, the team was determined to make a good go of it. After a mix up by St Joseph's officials, play was allowed to commence. Having to adapt to the hot, sticky weather, the Cs and Ds were outplayed by a superior St Joseph's outfit, trailing 11 rubbers to 1 at the halfway mark. With an insurmountable task ahead of them, the As and Bs didn't fare any better, losing the remaining 12 matches, meaning St Joseph's easily won the tie 23 rubbers to 1.

Following the humiliating experience against St Joseph's, the team trained diligently throughout the week in order to prepare ourselves for Saturday's clash against Shore. This being our first home tie and not having to play on the hard courts, which tend to throw us off, because of their high bounce, High could breathe easier, knowing we were playing on the High-friendly Moore Park tennis courts. The Cs started off positively with a close encounter in their respective matches, while the Ds were simply too good, producing a clean sweep against an inferior outfit. With the halfway scoreline in High's favour, 8 matches to 4, the team could smell victory. Unfortunately, it was a different story in the As and Bs, with a reversal of fortunes for the Shore team. In the end, Shore were able to overhaul the early deficit and secure the tie 15 rubbers to 9.

After an encouraging performance against Shore, High prepared for a tough encounter at Riverview. Arriving at Riverview earlier in order to practise only to find all 9 courts being used for morning GPS matches, the Cs and Ds improvised by playing against an enormous wall, which we managed to find inside their School grounds – and we still lost all our tennis balls over the top of the wall. Knowing that Riverview has always been the powerhouse of GPS tennis, there was a greater than usual amount of pep talk among the High team. With thunderstorms looming, the Cs and Ds started nervously, but as the wind picked up and when rain finally started to fall, High lifted their game only to fall agonisingly short of victory in several matches. With the Cs and Ds exceeding their allocated time, as well as the additional half hour allowed for the As and Bs warm-up, some matches had to be postponed and finished when the "social" tennis court became available.

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The Cs and Ds made a contest of it despite winning only 1 of the 12 rubbers. The As and Bs had a hard fought struggle in the increasing rain, but weren't rewarded for their efforts. Riverview comprehensively took the tie 21 rubbers to 2 with one match abandoned because of rain. However, in my opinion the scoreline did not reflect the quality of play and the competitive nature of the matches, and at the end of the day Riverview were simply too good for us.

After the tie against Riverview, the team took a lot of positives out of the matches and prepared for the last round clash with Grammar. Grammar is one of several teams to inflict a crushing defeat on us in the pre-season, but with nothing to lose and everything to gain, High went into the tie with no fear. High set the record straight in the Cs and Ds, turning around most if not all of the pre-season bagels (6-0 scorelines) into either victories or narrow defeats. Despite a huge improvement, we found ourselves

trailing 4 rubbers to 8 at the halfway stage. The trend continued in the As and Bs with another commendable performance by the Bs. The tie went to Grammar 16 rubbers to 8 – the biggest improvement from the pre-season against any school.

At the end of the GPS season, the As finished on no wins from 6 ties, the Cs finished on 1 win from 6 ties while the Bs and Ds proved to be the most successful teams with 2 wins and 1 each from their 6 ties. Although season 2005 was not too successful in terms of winning, all team members showed true High spirit and never gave up even in the hardest of times. On a personal note I would like to thank the team for their effort on Wednesdays and Saturdays. On behalf of the team I would also like to thank Ms Tuthill, whose priceless efforts make GPS tennis possible, as well as Mrs Klocker.

**Eugene Stadnik**

# Rowing



## **First Eight**

Cox: T. Mittelheuser, Stroke: M. Steen, 7: J. Scharfegger, 6: D. Grimm, 5: K. Kruszelnicki, 4: J. James, 3: S. Gribble, 2: A. Szabo, Bow: S. Mitsuji

## First VIII

The 2004/05 rowing season offered a great opportunity for the First VIII with five of the eight rowers from last year's VIII returning. The experience and commitment was obvious from the very beginning with enthusiastic attendance of pre-season sculling as people recognised the intense competition for seats in the top crews this year. The coaches from the previous season, Mark Prater and David Luscombe, returned to coach the A group, First and Second Vllls, for another season, holding high expectations for the 2005 crews. Pre-selection sculling was a difficult task for the unfit and out of condition rowers, however within a few weeks the discomfort had faded and scullers were posting encouraging times in the traditional 4.5 km time trials. As we entered the season we began overnight camps at the Outterside Centre which represented the first 5:00 am wake up call as we rowed in sweep oared boats for the first time.

In late September the A group left for Melbourne where we competed against St Kevin's, a respected member of the Victorian GPS. We arrived at 4:00 in the morning, ready for our 11 hour journey on the small, cramped and uncomfortable old bus, incredibly excited to reach our destination. As we finally arrived in the late afternoon we were collected by our billets and taken to our temporary homes. On the Saturday morning we awoke to race against our hosts. Although we had made friends, the competition was still heated and in the eights races both crews were beaten. However, with our pride on the line, we stepped up to win all the quad sculling events and win the overall competition. That night several people attended Eddy's Man Show Marathon while Alex and Josh had adventures in the unfamiliar city and Brian and I caused trouble at a calisthenics party. We all awoke excessively early once again to depart on our long and uncomfortable journey home.

After our trip to Melbourne the serious rowing began as we came ever nearer to selection before the Loretto Normanhurst and Head of the Parramatta Regattas. We took the nervous drive to Penrith on a scorching spring day to row for our positions in the VIII. We warmed up together and then took off in our sculls to race against the clock for the chance to gain instant selection for the first VIII. We sat nervously awaiting the results until finally Mark announced them, with Josh and I going

straight through and eight rowers seat racing for the six remaining positions. After seat racing we returned to the sheds without fulfilment as the crews were to be announced the next morning. The preliminary selections crew, for the Loretto Normanhurst, Sydney Boys and Head of the Parramatta Regattas was, from bow to stroke, Steen, James, Szabo, Tiedgen, Grimm, Kruszelnicki, Mitsuji and Scharfegger.

We arrived at Penrith on 13 November for the first competitive race of the season at the Loretto Normanhurst Regatta. We unpacked our boats and started our race preparation until the incredibly strong winds forced us to reconsider our entrance in the race. Several boats had already sunk and major competitors such as St Joseph's and Shore began to leave SIRC because of the dangerous conditions. We left unfulfilled, having to wait another two weeks to race head to head with our competitors. The next week at the Head of the Parramatta we came a disappointing sixth with a time much slower than some of our training runs, however the crew wasn't disheartened as we knew we were capable of much more. The next week was our last pre-season regatta, our host regatta and the first in Hen and Chicken Bay. We were all excited as we finally had a chance to prove ourselves head to head with the competition. We came in third to strong St Joseph's and Shore crews and made it to the first final of the season. We arrived in the final keen to reach a podium position however were knocked off by Kings, coming fourth overall. This provided motivation for the crew as it showed that potential was there and we were capable of competing with these top crews. Soon after we did our second ergometer test, vying for sculling opportunities in the January selection. We broke up from school and had our last three night camp before the Christmas break.

On 12 January we regrouped at Abbotsford for the selection camp. The next morning we climbed aboard the bus for an early morning drive out to Penrith for sculling and seat racing at SIRC. The sculling time trial resulted in four rowers going through to the VIII, Karl, Dominic, Atilla and myself as well as Josh who was injured at the time. The seat racing offered positions for three more rowers to make the VIII. The final crew to row on the Nepean in Penrith was, in no particular order, Sen Mitsuji, Sam Gribble, Josh Scharfegger, Atilla Szabo, Jeremy James, Mischa Steen, Karl Kruszelnicki and Dominic

Grimm. Everyone was looking forward to January camp where the crews come together not only in their rowing but also off the water. However the presence of the Loretto Kiribilli rowers often caused the minds of crew members to wander, particularly that of Sen. The scorching western sun also caused problems as the long, arduous sessions left many bright red and peeling. By the end of the camp the crews had improved dramatically both technically and in speed and strength. A few weeks later came the St Joseph's regatta at Iron Cove where we again made it to the final, but came in sixth. A week later at Hen and Chicken for the Scots regatta the disappointment continued as we failed to make the final for the first time. This sparked a revolution in the crew as Mark and Dave began reforming the crew and putting the pressure on us all to enable the crew to fulfil its potential. From here on there were no more races at Hen and Chicken and the Year 12 rowers were disappointed to have left the course on such a bad note.

The next regatta marked a change in the crew and the enthusiasm, drive and determination was obvious with a close fourth in the Sydney Rowing Club regatta at SIRC. With State and National championships in the following weeks the crew was able to gain practice and experience on the highly regarded SIRC course. This training and racing on the course made it seem less daunting and unfamiliar on the big day. The State championships, a week after the Sydney rowing regatta, were incredibly promising with a third place, beaten only by St Joseph's and Kings. As well as being welcomed onto the podium the crew was able to draw confidence from this result, making the targeted goal of a podium finish more within our reach.

The Gold Cup Regatta was not traditionally seen as a target event due to the unwelcoming conditions, overpowering club crews and impractical course; however, we fought to gain something from the day and targeted the finals. Our opening race was full of excitement with the St Ignatius crew crashing violently into a pylon on the home course. In the semi-final we fought through tough conditions to overcome St Joseph's and fall only 1.4 seconds behind King's, making it through to the final. The final was won convincingly by Sydney University, however the battle for second was epic with us against King's. Finally we were overcome by 1.07 seconds placing third, an outstanding achievement given the cohort that we were competing with in

the men's opens VIII event.

The following week we travelled once more to SIRC for the national championships. The crew was nervous as schools from across Australia had travelled to compete. However, the heat results were promising with a close fifth best time and a place in the final – a feat not commonly seen at Sydney High rowing. The next day we made the trek back out to Penrith, but the long hot day before had exhausted many of us and it showed in the final with a sixth place. Although no disgrace, the crew could not help feeling unhappy with the result, believing we were capable of much more. Mark and Dave, however, turned this into a positive as they motivated us for the final week before the Head of the River.

As the days counted down to the Head of the River, tension was high as we were vying for a podium finish, the best result in over a decade. Finally the assembly arrived and we were able to look back on the season and what we had achieved as well as being psyched up for the race the next day. We departed for Penrith for one final training session before race day. The crew was ready and determined to perform to the best of their ability and not let anything hold us back. We arrived on 19 March for another training row before beginning preparation for the race. What felt like only moments later, we were sitting on the start line with our hearts racing but minds focused on only one thing. The race was what we had all been waiting, training and living for and as we crossed the line we could honestly say that we had done the best we ever could. Although placing fourth, outside the podium we had hoped for, we had still proved ourselves and with the support of the school, our friends and family and each other, we also proved that Sydney Boys High was not to be disregarded. The 2004-05 First VIII will not be forgotten as they truly proved themselves amongst some of the fastest crews to race the Head of the River, and our success was a testament to the value of hard work, dedication and commitment, not only of the rowers but also the coxswains and coaches who strove to prepare us for the big day. It was a season that neither I, nor any of my crewmates, will ever forget as we achieved so much and experienced so much in the process.

**Mischa Steen, Stroke**

## Second Eight

The 2005 Second VIII trained alongside the First VIII for the season, proving a worthy pacemaker for the most successful First VIII in eleven years. And we also were on track for our own piece of history for most of the season – aiming to become the best-placed Second VIII since 1973. This goal seemed very reachable, as characterised by our fourth placing at the Sydney Regatta, which was exactly four weeks out from the Head of the River. But an untimely bout of illness hit us (and us only), two weeks before the big race. This was no doubt sprung from the communal sleeping atmosphere of the first term sleepover camps (or was it the team bonding session at Pizza Hut that Saturday?). And it still remains a mystery how the First VIII, who bunked with us for the whole season – barring one camp in which we were quarantined as potential threats – managed to stay virus-free during our “capitulation”.

The Second VIII selected in January to train for the last nine or so weeks of the season was:

**Bow – James Tiedgen:** James was destined for bow from the start of the season, despite changing his own mind on various occasions as to where he actually wanted to row. The bow seat was at times popular, at times not wanted by anyone, and always a place for the most critical of observations from James, as he was the only rower who could see every single oar without anyone seeing his.

**2 Seat – William Clegg:** William gave the crew great experience as a second year veteran of the Second VIII. He gave great insight into both crews, and often predicted the changes that would occur. Partaking in some weight fluctuations, he defied logic by consistently gaining weight (most certainly through muscle mass!) during the vigorous GPS season, in which most were slimming down to what we call “race weight”.

**3 Seat – Dave Clayton:** Dave defied his doubters by successfully completing the whole season, with no greater number of mishaps and late-showings than anyone else. Whether he had anything to prove or not, he was at all sessions, ensuring his fitness and determination rubbed off on all of us. He also helped us to see the funnier sides of rowing, and could always be relied upon to lighten the mood.

**4 Seat – Quinton Yang:** Quinton was the typical rower who appears in a lot of Sydney High crews –

that is the one bloke who makes his own way to almost every session, despite living miles from the sheds. The difference with Quinton was that he never once complained or excused himself from one session, ensuring he was the most committed and reliable rower in the crew.

**5 Seat – Alex Tiedgen:** Poor Alex was a heavyweight in a predominantly lightweight crew, having to adjust to the higher ratings and greater reliance on fitness and technique to gain the results. He did this with relative ease, becoming the “rock” of the crew on more than one level.

**6 Seat – Bryan Wrench:** Bryan rows to his own beat, no doubt with the tune of “Gonna Fly Now” ringing in his ears. This sometimes put him out of time with the rest of the boat, but his strength and motivational shouts were essential to the crew when it needed to lift.

**7 Seat – Olivier Delaruelle:** Olivier completed both the most consistent two seasons of High rowing, and the most erratic. While serving out two seasons seven-seating the Second VIII, it took him six weeks out of the season to convince him to make a comeback after resigning earlier in the season. His comeback was a boost to me personally and no doubt the crew as well, and one wonders if the Second VIII was bow-riggable whether he would have stroked the crew.

Our eventual seventh placing could be taken a number of ways by the crew and supporters – a disappointment to some, a sense of accomplishment for others but to all actually in the boat a display of spirit and teamwork from a crew who was most certainly far from its peak condition on the day, due to events outside our own control. Beating four GPS schools in the one race (Sydney Regatta) was certainly a thrilling feeling, and hopefully one that will not be forgotten by the crew.

**Sandy Cunningham, Stroke**

## Second IV

Crew selections started straight away once summer came around. With stiff competition between both Year 11 and 12, everyone set out to do their best. Crews were hastily put together after a rigorous routine of ergs and seat racing, for the upcoming Head of the Parramatta and the first Regatta held by Sydney High. These crews were not final and reflected upon the performance of both first and

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second fours, each coming last in both the time trial and regatta.

Then the summer holidays came which brought about the second phase of extreme training regimes that would determine the final crews. However I was unable to participate in the summer holiday training, as I was absent overseas for the whole month.

Second Four was very much a closely-knit crew, consisting of: Blake Angell (3), Chong Shao (2), James Brown (Bow), Ali Alim (Cox) and myself as Stroke. Blake was a rower since Year 7 and has always kept himself in the top crews; often his determination and strong ergs keeping him up there. Chong started his rowing career with the Year 10 Vllls, however his fitness from the previous soccer seasons would make up for his inexperience. James had previously also been in the second four and his experience and technique helped pull the crew together as one and to perform. Ali improved greatly from being the newcomer to both the school and the rowing scene to be an extremely

skilful steerer of the boat as well as a great motivator pushing us for those last hundred meters.

Tim Glass, an old boy of our school and also ex-rower, sacrificed both his time and his energy for the countless before dawn rows and tiring after school sessions. His never-ending support coupled with his experience in coaching vastly improved our technique and easily reflected upon our performance as a crew. During our sessions out on Parramatta River in his speedy, Tim would always look over us, complimenting when we pulled a strong 2k piece, yet would still criticise us if our attention wavered and our technique went sloppy.

Our first race as a crew was at Iron Cove with a line up against Shore, Scots, and St Ignatius. With top three of every race going in to the finals we knew we had a chance. Although we had come a disappointing last, in a surprise move St Ignatius were disqualified and we were thrown in to the finals coming a respectable fourth behind Kings, Joeyes and Shore. Effectively this was the best result in the whole school → we were extremely happy.



### **Second Eight**

*Cox: I. Zak, Stroke: A. Cunningham, 7: O. Delaruelle, 6: B. Wrench, 5: A. Tiedgen, 4: Q. Yang, 3: D. Clayton, 2: W. Clegg, Bow: J. Tiedgen*

Our next race was the Scots Regatta, again beating Scots by a reasonable margin and entering the finals. This finals race would prove to be one of our greatest motivators. We came last but by 0.24 seconds to Newington. This margin of the smallest proportions hit us hard and we vowed to perform. The following week was our first regatta at Sydney International Regatta Centre at Penrith, but due to an injury we were forced to substitute a rower for Chong and ended up coming last. The next regatta held by the NSWRA at Penrith again proved that as a full crew we could pull back together and perform. We came a very respectful fifth out of nine crews finally beating our adversaries Newington. But again with all the hype and energy surrounding the Riverview Gold Cup, due to unforeseen circumstances we were unable to perform. The Newington Regatta was equally disappointing, only beating Scots.

Then the final day came, the day that would test whether or not we had it in us, the Head of the River. Starting on a Saturday morning with a crowd of thousands from all GPS schools, the atmosphere quickly built up. Tim gave us some important advice, "don't do the Head of the River on a full bladder", and so we took his advice to heart. We were placed in lane 8, between Kings and Newington. Coming down the man made river we knew we had the advantage of the home crowd. During roll call and line up of our boat, our speaker system for the boat died and we were thrown into turmoil. However keeping level heads, Ali quickly came up with a system of smacking the side of the boat with his palms to signify when we had to enter a short push. Despite the equipment failures we were able to come 5th beating Scots, Newington and Grammar, an extremely well deserved result that as a crew we were happy with.

I am now proud to take away with me the memory of a crew, a coach and a season that has given me such a life changing experience. I am telling you now there is nothing like speeding down at SIRC with thousands of people cheering, as the waves and waves of bagpipes and chants from all schools wash over you on those last 250m. It is an experience I would like to share with others and urge all students to consider rowing and supporting Sydney High Rowing.

**Douglas Chang, Stroke**

## First Year Ten VIII

Looking back on the Year Ten VIII's season, one can only see positives. An early scare, created by a seeming lack of numbers was soon calmed by the arrival of new eager rowers ready for the season ahead. Selections went smoothly with two eights being selected allowing crew preparations to begin. The First Year Ten VIII was coached by the father son team of Mr Barris and his son George who provided experienced and enthusiastic coaching. The Second Year 10 VIII was also coached by another father son pair this time Peter and Simon Wilson. The fact that both crews were coached by father son teams is a credit to Sydney High Rowing as it has throughout generations acted as a family organisation. The family coaching teams must have worked, because with their guidance and the boys' passion and determination, the crews went from strength to strength.

The Year 10 First VIII had a successful season, beating Scots, Newington, Grammar and Joeys over the course of the year. This wonderful effort was sadly not reflected in the Head of the River, where the crew finished in last place battling a strong head wind in the most open lane. This result however could not dampen the spirits of the small crew whose motto became "the little crew that could".

**Thomas Hurrell, Stroke.**

## Second Year 10 VIII

*Andrew Huang, Martin Han Liu, Godwin Wang, Andrew Liu, Martin Liu, Anthony Park, Wilson Zhang, Yun-Zhe Guo, Joshua Freiman. Coaches: Simon & Peter Wilson.*

The Second Year 10 VIII entered the season with blind expectations. We were by far the heaviest crew on the water which was definitely not a good thing. However, our first regatta where we drew against rowing giants, Shore, Kings and Joeys proved otherwise. Our fear was that our weight would drag us down right from the starting siren. Our strength and skill developed from a tough pre-season proved worthwhile as we maintained a competitive position in the field against the three strongest schools. To our disappointment, we came dead last after what was the first of many gruelling races to come.

Our placing in each regatta didn't change as our improvements were only bettered by our



#### **First Four**

*Stroke: Y. Doran, 3: A. Farrow-Palmer, 2: J. Yuen, Bow: T. Kaldor, Cox: R. Abey Suriya*

competitors' improvements. The absence of a Scots crew made us only aim higher and raise the bar.

A highlight of Year 10 rowing was the exchange with Melbourne High. It was a great deal of fun and an experience not soon to be forgotten. It was the ideal chance to mingle with Melbournians, who are not so different to us Sydneysiders. Many of us learnt the personalities and quirks of our billets and it was reassuring to learn that Sydney High rowing was more than 'just' a competitor. We came out of the races with an overall win and a great morale boost.

The Head of the River however was the highlight we all trained for. Nothing else mattered that day. Rowing our race, a perfect race was the only thing on our minds. The roar from the crowds and indescribable atmosphere was suppressed by the sheer determination focused on the race ahead. To our surprise, a new Scots crew turned up to compete in our race.

The 2nd Year 10 VIII tore through the pain barrier and pulled into the roar of the sound barrier. Screaming students were on either side of us but the steady focus stayed straight ahead. We could hear the chants, the individual yelling efforts and instruments sounding off. Above all, we heard the

voices of High, pushing us through the finishing line, in front of Scots, lifting us above the pain and celebrating a fantastic end to a successful rowing season.

#### **Martin Han Liu, Stroke**

### **First Year 9 Quad**

For the First Year 9 Quad, rowing 2005 was a turbulent season. Having won the shed race for the second consecutive year, we as a quad, showed a significant amount of potential. Under the careful guidance of Mr Gainford the crew displayed a steady increase in their rowing ability and therefore speed. Bow man: Robert Chen, 2 man: Anton Komarov, 3 man: Daniel O'Keefe, stroke: David Vien, coxswain: Sunny Rahman, rowed the High Regatta extremely successfully, placing overall as the fourth fastest crew in the GPS.

Every week became a new challenge, as the crew strived to survive in an increasingly hard-fought competition. As the weeks passed on by, the crew went from four separate rowers, to a single unit. For the First Year 9 Quad, the Gold Cup Regatta was their defining moment. This was the final race of the season and would ultimately determine the overall

success of the crew. Having developed a strong rivalry with the King's School crew, this was our last chance to prove to the GPS, that High rowing was still very much alive. We came second in that race to Newington, having beaten, once and for all the King's and Scots crews.

Rowing 2005, as with any other season, was one filled with triumphs and failures. All in all the season was one of great success, in that the place we are today is miles from the place we were yesterday.

**David Vien, Stroke**

## Third Year 9 Quad

For the Third Year 9 Quad of 2005, the rowing season started off in a shaky manner. It wasn't until halfway through the season that the crew was finally selected, with Khalid Ahmed in the bow, Shahar Merom in the 2 seat, Danny Ng in the 3 seat, Callum Martin as coxswain and Joshua Hui as stroke. We were coached by Old Boy, Andrew "Simmo" Simpson, and none of us actually knew his first name.

Thanks go to Lawrence Boikov, and Joel Livingstone, who raced for us throughout the season. Thanks also go to Old Boys Richard Zhou, Matt Louie, Louis Charalambous, and to Mr Gainford who assisted in coaching.

**Joshua Hui, Stroke**

## Fourth Year 9 Quad

For the Year 9 4th Quad of 2004/2005, the season was truly one of ups, downs and changes. The original crew consisted of Harrison Reid, Tim Joo, Mark Spencer, Shahar Merom and Hari Brugabanda (cox). This was the crew to race in the Sydney High Regatta, our first regatta of the season, in which we managed a solid time.

The crew then changed significantly: Nicolas Lochner came in to replace Tim Joo and Ishan Nadkarni took over from Shahar Merom. This became the make up of the crew for the rest of our season. We made an easy sixth in the Joeys Regatta with an improved time of five minutes flat. Over the duration of the season we managed some great results, such as the last regatta of the season, the Newington regatta, in which we managed a time of 4:29, to beat our own Sydney High 2nd Year 9 Quad,

and still come last in our own race. Unfortunately, we also suffered some harsh defeats. However, true to High Spirit, we kept trying our hardest until the end of each race, and the end of the season.

Of course, none of our great feats throughout the 2004/2005 rowing season could have been achieved without the help of two main coaches, Matt Louie and Richard Zhou. Matt was an all round great guy. He took a lot from us, but kept coming back to coach us all the same. Richard, or 'Dick' as he was affectionately known, coached us at times during the season. Although we didn't have Dick as much as Matt, sessions with him were invaluable, and he could often be heard teaching us about the many aspects of rowing with shouts of: "Come on guys, it's really not that hard".

The 2004/2005 rowing season proved a great experience for the Year 9 4th Quad, in which we showed our real potential and managed some fantastic results.

**Harry Reid, Stroke**

## Third Year 8 Quad

The Third Year 8 Quad, in Term 1 2005 consisted of the following rowers:

*Bow:* Louis Appleton; *2:* Anthony Tsialis; *3:* Alden "Chop" Kwok; *Stroke:* Tom Harvey; *Cox:* Roshan Kashyap; *Reserve:* Josh Bell

Third quad started off poorly, losing in the Newington Iron Cove Regatta and our strong Bowman, Louis, to an unfortunate accident which resulted in the breakage of his leg. Thankfully Josh Bell took up the empty position and became an honorary extra who stayed with us for the whole season.

Our losing streak continued through many races; where other Sydney high crews won, our crew always managed to glide in last. We worked extremely hard at training sessions as we wanted to see some results in the regattas.

Even though the situation looked terrible, we kept straight faces during the events, but laughed about it afterwards. We became the crew not really in it to win it, but just to have a good time and a laugh.

We had heaps of fun experiences out on the water and at the sheds, running around wetting each other with bottles, throwing jellyfish and really enjoying ourselves. Our exuberant Cox, Roshan, often jumped from the boat into the murky water



### **Second Four**

*Stroke: D. Chang, 3: J. Brown, 2: C. Shao, Bow: B. Angell, Cox: A. Amin*

when dared, and would often threaten us with things like “If you do crap today, I’ll chuck you into the river”. Even though it is physically impossible for a tiny Cox to throw a large rower out of a boat, these threats still worked.

Nearing the end of the season we were definitely improving in the races. Some very close finishes with Newington and a few wins over Grammar lifted our spirits even higher and our style improved, with huge help from our coach, Alex, who explained what we should be doing with our technique.

The Gold Cup saw our crew finishing in 3rd place, thrashing Grammar, and with a good time. We all cheered and congratulated each other for really putting it in and rowing hard, and ended the season feeling great.

Thanks to Alex, who kept our spirits high and gave us thoughtful insight about our rowing, Mr Barris for putting up with our mucking around, Mr Coan for always being so great to us, even though we were the underdogs of the competition, the parents who cooked every week on the barbeque to make those legendary High burgers, whoever cleans the sheds, the first and second crew at the time for setting a standard which we could aim for, and most of all the

guys in our crew; Chop, Anthony, Josh, Roshan and Louis, who were always ready to go.

### **Tom Harvey, Stroke**

## **Fourth Year 8 Quad**

Beau Greenslade was the stroke of the Fourth Year 8 Quad, Johan Santoso was three man, James Eriksson was in the two seat, and Jack Wachsmann rowed in the bow, whilst Michael Zhou looked after the steering. Our coaches were Liam Bennett and Troy Polis, with whom we all had lots of fun.

During the racing season we had one first place in a regatta in which we were against four other crews. After a lot of nagging, Troy lived up to his promise of cokes all round!

We had lots of other close races, pressing for first – but second was still worthy of commendation. All in all we probably produced one of the best performances in the shed over the season.

In the end it proved to be a good fun season, and a great way to start our rowing careers. We all treasure a lot of fine memories.

### **Beau Greenslade, Stroke**

## Year 10 VIII Melbourne High Rowing Exchange

The morning of 16 February for 20 of our young, dedicated rowers had been an eagerly anticipated one even though the dead looks from their 6.00 am faces didn't show it. After all our goodbyes to our mummies & daddies, and to school for the rest of the week, we were finally out of gates in the cramped White Bus when our last remaining rower decided to show up an hour after the scheduled time.

Like any road trip, ours was full of chatter, snacks and accidents. Accidents of course being incidents, and that incident being the bus broken down in the border town of Albury. Setting us back another hour, we were eager to reach our billets so they could fill us up with dinner. One thing that wasn't filled up though was the petrol tank in our bus. 20m before our destination point, the bus died again. With the school entrance in our sights, we pushed the bus across the busy road into the driveway where our billets arrived moments later to take us to what would be our home for the next three days.

Rowing on the Yarra was definitely a welcome change for our coxswains and rowers alike. The Yarra River (although brown) was beautiful in the sense it was dead flat with no current and being more like a creek, it couldn't fit anything like our Sydney River Cats. The scenery was just as welcome.

We could all see the whole cityscape within a glance from the river and the attention from tourists and local rowers just topped of the day's training/relaxation row.

We had the rest of the afternoon off to live a little bit of the Melbourne lifestyle. Most of the groups spent their time in Crown eating, playing or just doing some aimless wandering around. Shopping however was the agenda for a couple of the other guys so they were taken to the infamous shopping district of Chadstone. With only the next day's race on all our minds, it was decided dinner was at home in order to get a good night's rest.

Race day brought with it a gloomy mood and cold temperature. That was quickly evaporated by our traditional High spirit in our prep row. We had beaten them two out of three the last time the Melbournians came to our river but only by the smallest of margins. Not only did they still outweigh us 10kg/person, 15kg/person in 1sts, they were on their home turf and in their own boats. So the scene is set; two 2km races, both our SHS crews were ahead in the exchange, winning two of the three races last time, the Melbourne crews had to win both races to win the exchange and we only needed one. Both a head wind and a cross wind was beginning to build up. This now also became a test for the coxswains to steer the best course between bridge pylons and around tight bends.





Our 1sts had a fairly disappointing race getting slow off the mark and trailing bit by bit and ending up two boat lengths behind at the finish. 2nds were also slow off the start but still managed to stay in the lead by a metre for the first 30 strokes before HIGH pushed away and never looked back. The margin in the end was about 3½ boat lengths.

The second race began as soon as we paddled back to the starting line. The start for 2nd crew was almost perfect flying half a boat length in front after five strokes. Our rhythm found it hard to settle into the boat because the headwind grew stronger and started blowing from all sides. However, the gutsy 2nd crew came away with a well deserved victory of five boat lengths.

1sts had a different story though. They too had to overcome the strong head wind but were unfortunate to lose to the sheer force, power and weight of Melbourne. Despite the harsh winds that favoured their opposition, the crew rowed a good race and they put in a lot of heart for most of the row, a definite benchmark for future races.

Immediately after we had to quickly load the boats onto the trailer and headed over to a BBQ lunch on the riverbank. Despite the tension of such a physical morning the SBHS boys and their billets seemed to get on very well. After lunch our rowers and their billets basically headed back home to get ready for a night out in the city.

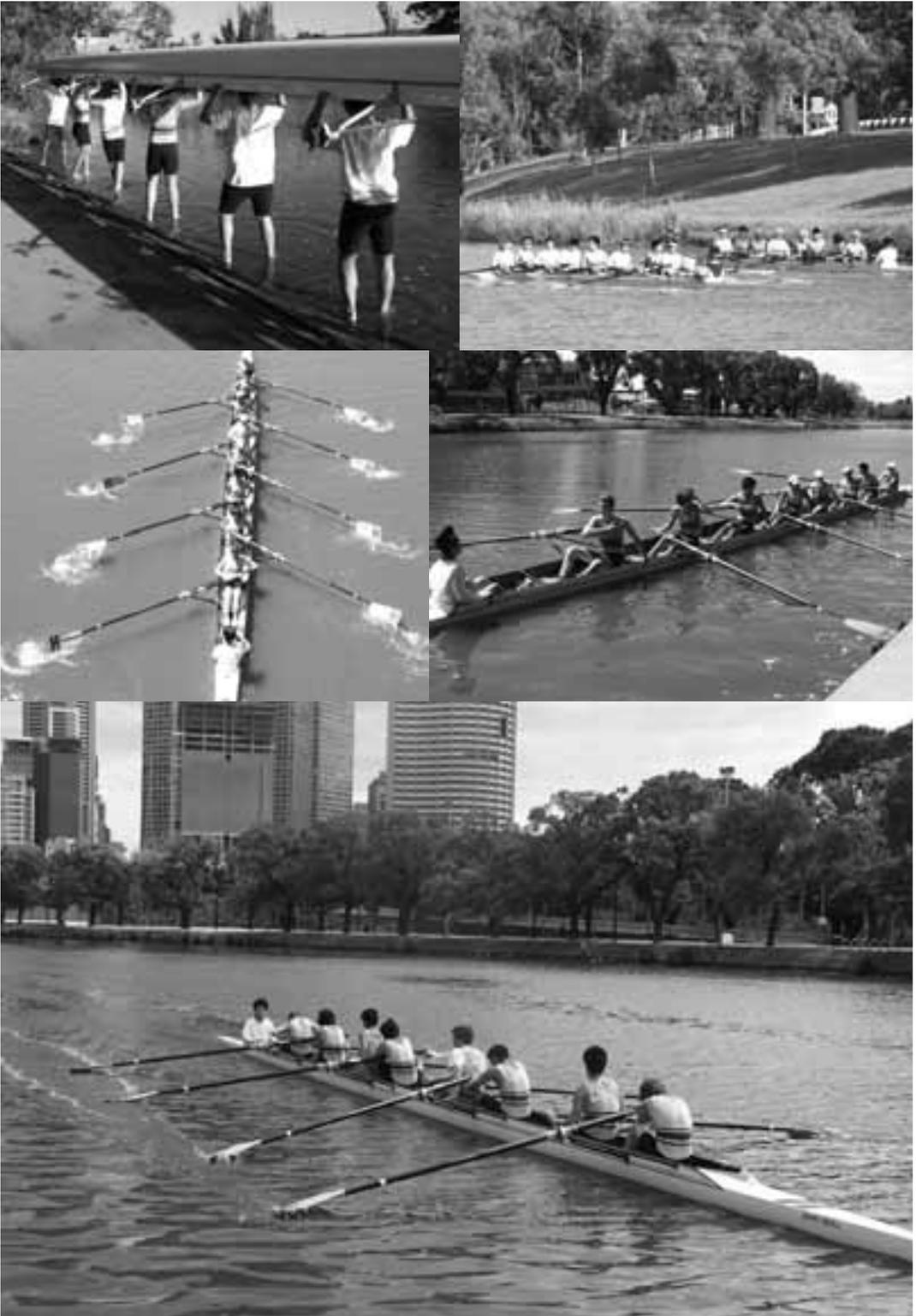
Chapel Street and Crown were the places to be for the Friday night. Melbourne having a young population was buzzing with life, booming music and hot cars all night long. The night for most was very long indeed, each of the rowers have their own stories to tell and I'm sure all of them would be happy to tell and say something along the lines of four hours of sleep.

Sleep became less of an issue when we were back on the White Bus heading home where we regained our lost sleep. However, two of the most vital people of the trip weren't asleep. Thanks to Mr Barris and Chris Watson; for keeping the bus moving when it broke down; they are the first to get out of bed to get the bus moving and are the last to leave, who keep their eyes open when everyone else's are closed and for driving a tedious 24 hours between them. Also, I send an extended thanks to David Daish. We are always grateful for keeping the boats in top notch condition for us to row in; Tim Wilson for giving his time in towing our boats back and forth, Kathy Jackson for her commitment and picture taking on the trip and also to 2nd crew coaches Simon and Peter Wilson for their dedication to always improving the rowing itself and the experience for all of us.

**Martin Han Liu – 2nd Year 10 VIII (stroke)**

**Thomas Hurrell – 1st Year 10 VIII (stroke)**

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**Third Four**

Stroke: A. Dam, 3: J. Stretton, 2: M. Seow, Bow: B. Stamati, Cox: D. Gretch



**First Year 10 Eight**

Cox: B. Sun, Stroke: T. Hurrell, 7: J. Luscombe, 6: D. Kim, 5: A. Pham, 4: J. MacKay, 3: K. Lee, 2: H. Song,  
Bow: A. Shuttleworth

Rowing



**Second Year 10 Eight**

Cox: A. Huang, Stroke: W. Zhang, 7: G. Wang, 6: M. Liu, 5: A. Liu, 4: A. Park, 3: Y. Z. Guo, 2: M. H. Liu, Bow: J. Freiman



**First Year 9 Quad Scull**

Cox: S. Rahman, Stroke: D. Vien, 3: D. O'Keefe, 2: A. Komarov, Bow: R. Chen

Rowing



**Second Year Nine Quad Scull**

*Cox: J. Culibao, Stroke: J. Livingston, 3: B. Pfull, 2: B. Wang, Bow: K. Na*



**Third Year Nine Quad Scull**

*Cox: C. Martin, Stroke: J. Hui, 3: D. Ng, 2: S. Merom, Bow: K. Ahmed*

Rowing



**Fourth Year Nine Quad Scull**

*Cox: H. Bhrugubanda, Stroke: H. Reid, 3: I. Nadkarni, 2: N. Lochner, Bow: M. Spencer*



**Fifth Year 9 Quad Scull**

*Cox: L. Burger, Stroke: C. Zhang, 3: B. Palau, 2: T. Joo, Bow: W. Lee*



**First Year Eight Quad Scull**

Bow: A. Belokopytov, 2: N. Ridges, 3: N. Dimitropoulos, Stroke: M. Ling, Cox: P. Desmond



**Second Year Eight Quad Scull**

Cox: N. Lindeback, Stroke: C. Reeves, 3: R. Chen, 2: J. Chow, Bow: D. Stojanovic

Rowing



**Third Year Eight Quad Scull**

Cox: R. Kashyap, Stroke: T. Harvey, 3: A. Kwok, 2: A. Tsailis, Bow: L. Appleton



**Fourth Year Eight Quad Scull**

Cox: M. Zhou, Stroke: B. Greenslade, 3: J. Santoso, 2: J. Eriksson Bow: J. Wachsman

Rowing



**Fifth Year Eight Quad Scull**

*Cox: J. Chan, Stroke: C. Chen, 3: D. Fan, 2: J. Lee, Bow: G. Zhang*



**Sixth Year 8 Quad Scull**

*Cox: M. Nguyen, Stroke: L. Png, 3: C. Evans, 2: M. Tong, Bow: J. Liu*



**Rowing Club 2005**

**Back Row:** J. James, J. Tiedgen, T. Mittelheuser, A. Szabo, A. Tiedgen, D. Chang, D. Grimm, J. Scharfegger, B. Angell, Y. Doran, B. Wrench, S. Gribble, D. Clayton, O. Delaruelle, I. Zak, D. Ng

**Seventh Row:** M. Steen, A. Dam, A. Wu, T. Wei, Q. Yang, H. Reid, D. O'Keefe, A. Komarov, P. Du, T. Kaldor, W. Clegg, J. Yuen, J. Stretton, M. Seow, A. Farrow-Palmer

**Sixth Row:** D. Gretch, K. Lee, S. Merom, C. Reeves, C. Zhang, A. Pham, A. Cunningham, A. Amin, N. Ridges, H. Song, T. Joo, A. Kwok, N. Lochner, M. Liu

**Fifth Row:** B. Palau, H. Reid, D. Kim, A. Park, J. Luscombe, D. Vien, A. Liu, T. Hurrell, A. Shuttleworth, S. Jia, B. Wang, M. H. Liu, R. Chen, W. Zhang, A. Huang

**Fourth Row:** J. Hui, L. Png, J. Park, H. Chen, K. Ahmed, J. Freiman, T. Harvey, J. Burney, M. Spencer, M. Ling, B. Sun, L. Chant, J. Eriksson, Y. Z. Guo

**Third Row:** C. Umbers, M. Phillis, A. Belokopytov, L. Burger, H. Bhrugubanda, J. Lieu, J. Livingston, J. Chow, K. Na, J. Santosa, R. Chen, D. Fan, A. Tsialis, J. Bell

**Second Row:** A. Banh, J. Aclis, G. Denny-Smith, S. Darcy, J. Culibao, N. Nguyen, J. Wachsmann, C. Evans, J. Lee, J. Lee, B. Greenslade, G. Zhang, A. Blomberg, M. Taleb, R. Abey Suriya

**Front Row:** L. Appleton, M. Nguyen, J. Vu, C. Jin, C. Martin, Mr E. Coan, Mr C. W. Barris (Rowing Master), K. Kruszelnicki (Captain of Boats), Mr A. M. Gainford, Mr D. Hespe, C. Chen, J. Han, M. Tong, R. Cohn, D. Chen, V. Boulavine

**Seated on Floor:** S. Rahman, J. Chan, G. Deacon, P. Desmond, M. Zhu, H. Schilling, E. Wong, N. Lindeback, P. Baweja, A. Tran

# Swimming



## **Swimming Team**

**Back Row:** A. Morris, J. Ninyo, A. Komarov, M. Featherston, A. Reis, G. Nguyen, B. Wrench, S. Craddock, M. Seow  
Third Row: M. Mehmedbasic, K. La, J. Lai, M. Keldoulis, Q. Nguyen, M. Kim, J. Barker, B. Chow

Second Row: T. Nguyen, K. Mickovski, K. Yu, A. Ha, B. Sun, A. Belokopytov, J. Jiang

Front Row: E. Wong, L. Tan, H. Fukushima, P. Tripp (Captain), Mr. V. Ockert (Swimming Master), C. Halls (Vice Captain), K. Le, D. Luo

## **SHS GPS Swimming 2005**

With the departure of a number of key members of the Sydney High Swim Team in 2004, namely Tom Miller and Barry Dubovsky, the future of Sydney High Swimming became vested upon the younger talents. To the credit of all involved in Sydney High Swimming, the 2005 season was a great success. The annual SHS swimming carnival, was shifted from the relatively inaccessible and inconvenient Des Renford Aquatic Centre in Maroubra to the Prince Alfred Park Pool beside Central, which was a fine way to kick off the season. Attendance at the carnival was solid, and in blistering heat, a great day was had by all. Our GPS medley relay team was successful in the annual GPS invitational race, earning a respectable third.

The Sydney High team would next travel to the Sydney East Zone Carnival in which numerous competitors achieved first placings and advanced to the Regional level. Of note was Andrew Reis who broke the Zone record for the 100 metre breaststroke on the day. The Sydney High team was dominant at the meet, and took first place points again this year. At regional level a number of Sydney High swimmers achieved at a high level, with a strong representation from Sydney High present. A number advanced to the state level of competition, competing at the Homebush Aquatic Centre at the CHS championships. These included Andrew Reis, Ellis Louie, and the open relay team of Philip Tripp, Cameron Halls, Ellis Louie and Ben Chow. Andrew Reis also went on to qualify for the National Championships for the 100m breaststroke.

After competing successfully through the public schools swimming system, the Sydney High team was ready for the GPS competition. Although competing against far better trained and skilled opposition, a sterling effort was put in by all members of the team. Andrew Reis, Ellis Louie, Matthew Featherston, Alik Belykoptov and Anton Komarov all attained first places in a number of events and gained selection for the combined GPS team. The GPS medley relay team remained competitive throughout the year. Whilst overall not achieving a place in any of the age groups, the year was certainly a success, with a good time had by all. Most of all, each High competitor swam as hard as they could for the school, with true High spirit. An encouraging sign for the future.

As a team the Sydney High Swim Team was certainly competitive throughout the year, and represented the school in fine spirit. Whilst individuals achieved great things, the team certainly did not attain the dizzying heights of the sport. However, the year was enjoyed by all, largely due to the tireless efforts of MIC for Swimming, Mr Val Ockert.

Unfortunately, support for swimming has begun to diminish amongst the younger ages, which was a major concern this year. I implore all young swimmers from the school to give swimming for High a go, it is definitely something that you will never regret. If participation and support by the High community and students increase then we can be confident that in the future Sydney High will remain competitive in this GPS sport, as it is in all others.

**Philip Tripp, Captain**

## Annual Swimming Carnival Results

EVENT	FIRST	SECOND	THIRD
<b>17 and Open</b>			
50 m Freestyle	Benjamin Chow <b>28.85</b>	Cameron Halls <b>29.12</b>	Ellis Louie <b>29.69</b>
100 m Freestyle	Ellis Louie <b>1'04.75</b>	Benjamin Chow <b>1'06.18</b>	Cameron Halls <b>1'06.72</b>
200 m Freestyle	Ellis Louie <b>2'35.44</b>	Benjamin Chow <b>2'37.06</b>	Philip Tripp <b>2'38.00</b>
100 m Breaststroke	Benjamin Chow <b>1'05.00</b>	Augustine Ha <b>1'28.78</b>	Samuel Gribble <b>1'30.94</b>
100 m Butterfly	Ellis Louie <b>1'03.94</b>	Hiroshi Fukushima <b>1'21.69</b>	Philip Tripp <b>1'32.00</b>
400 m Ind. Medley	Philip Tripp <b>7'17.37</b>	Yaegan Doran <b>9'42.00</b>	Ian Kwok <b>10'49.50</b>
Champion	Ellis Louie		
<b>16 Years</b>			
50 m Freestyle	Andrew Reis <b>27.32</b>	Matthew Fetherston <b>29.22</b>	Maximillian Keldoulis <b>31.78</b>
100 m Freestyle	Andrew Reis <b>1'03.29</b>	Matthew Fetherston <b>1'05.56</b>	Maximillian Keldoulis <b>1'10.65</b>
200 m Freestyle	Matthew Fetherston <b>2'29.72</b>	Maximillian Keldoulis <b>2'46.32</b>	Victor Wei <b>2'52.00</b>
400 m Freestyle	Andrew Reis <b>4'26.33</b>		
100 m Breaststroke	Andrew Reis <b>1'10.00</b>	Matthew Fetherston <b>1'30.12</b>	Sandy Cunningham <b>1'31.53</b>
100 m Butterfly	Maximillian Keldoulis <b>1'45.31</b>		
Champion	Andrew Reis		
<b>16 and Under</b>			
800 m Freestyle	Andrew Reis <b>10'43.53</b>	Anton Komarov <b>11'38.00</b>	Kenny La <b>11'40.62</b>
200 m Ind. Medley	Andrew Reis <b>2'28.00</b>	Joseph Lai <b>3'09.44</b>	James Menzies <b>4'06.53</b>
<b>15 Years</b>			
50 m Freestyle	Anton Komarov <b>29.78</b>	Joseph Lai <b>31.75</b>	Bill Sun <b>32.71</b>
100 m Freestyle	Anton Komarov <b>1'07.79</b>	Joseph Lai <b>1'12.62</b>	Bill Sun <b>1'18.50</b>
200 m Freestyle	Anton Komarov <b>2'38.00</b>	Joseph Lai <b>2'44.00</b>	Mark Spencer <b>3'09.31</b>
400 m Freestyle	Kenny La <b>5'43.55</b>	Anton Komarov <b>5'46.00</b>	Joseph Lai <b>5'58.24</b>
50 m Breaststroke	Quan Nguyen <b>40.25</b>	Kelvin Yu <b>41.47</b>	Joseph Lai <b>42.00</b>
50 m Butterfly	Anton Komarov <b>31.00</b>	Bill Sun <b>35.22</b>	Kelvin Yu <b>37.00</b>
Champion	Joseph Lai		

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<b>EVENT</b>	<b>FIRST</b>	<b>SECOND</b>	<b>THIRD</b>
<b>14 Years</b>			
50 m Freestyle	Alexander Belokopytov <b>30.57</b>	Kevin Le <b>30.87</b>	Kenny La <b>31.16</b>
100 m Freestyle	Kenny La <b>1'09.32</b>	Alexander Belokopytov <b>1'10.90</b>	Kevin Le <b>1'13.69</b>
200 m Freestyle	Muhamed Mehmedbasic <b>2'59.28</b>		
50 m Breaststroke	Kenny La <b>36.07</b>	Samuel Wan <b>41.65</b>	Lucian Tan <b>43.53</b>
50 m Butterfly	Kevin Le <b>35.00</b>	Alexander Belokopytov <b>35.15</b>	Kenny La <b>35.78</b>
Champion	Kenny La		
<b>15 and Under</b>			
400 m Freestyle	Kenny La <b>5'43.55</b>	Anton Komarov <b>5'46.00</b>	Joseph Lai <b>5'58.24</b>
<b>13 Years</b>			
50 m Freestyle	Jeffery Jiang <b>34.41</b>	Matthew Phung <b>35.38</b>	Daniel Kim <b>35.47</b>
100 m Freestyle	Jeffery Jiang <b>1'14.22</b>	Matthew Phung <b>1'14.38</b>	Daniel Kim <b>1'21.81</b>
200 m Freestyle	Jeffery Jiang <b>2'47.63</b>	Matthew Phung <b>2'55.00</b>	Andrew Blomberg <b>3'15.25</b>
50 m Breaststroke	Jeffery Jiang <b>43.84</b>	Harry Zhuang <b>43.91</b>	Michael Chan <b>47.34</b>
50 m Butterfly	Matthew Phung <b>38.56</b>	Jeffery Jiang <b>38.69</b>	Daniel Kim <b>43.00</b>
Champion	Jeffery Jiang		
<b>12 and Under</b>			
50 m Freestyle	Dale Chen <b>41.03</b>	Walter Santucci <b>41.38</b>	Joshua Sutton <b>42.37</b>
100 m Freestyle	Brian Kelly <b>1'31.25</b>	Clinton Jiang <b>1'36.03</b>	Tadeusz Davenport <b>1'47.13</b>
200 m Freestyle	Brian Kelly <b>3'27.04</b>	Daniel Luo <b>4'02.22</b>	
50 m Breaststroke	Brian Kelly <b>54.75</b>	Mohit Tugnait <b>55.25</b>	Clinton Jiang <b>55.50</b>
50 m Butterfly	Brian Kelly <b>47.00</b>	Daniel Luo <b>55.68</b>	Mohit Tugnait <b>1'01.50</b>
Champion	Brian Kelly		

# Sailing

Season 2005 proved to be yet another successful one for Sydney High. The sport has gone from strength to strength since its reintroduction in 2001, and the 2005 season was to be no exception. Two thousand and five saw the sailing program almost double in size to over 50 sailors due to the new Wednesday/Thursday sport program. Many thanks must go to the MIC Ms Boukatos, Dr Jagger, Richard Scarr and his staff, and the Sailing Committee for facilitating the smooth operation of training and regattas this season.

Wednesday training was again held at Woollahra Sailing Club under the guidance of Richard Scarr and his staff, as was Saturday racing. Saturdays saw good size fleets in excess of 80 boats across the three divisions, competing in the Woollahra Sailing Club junior competitions. Students from High, Cranbrook, Scots, Riverview, Kambala, SCEGGS Redlands and Ascham competed across the Laser Radial, Laser Full Rig and Pacer divisions. The Woollahra junior competition saw good results from High sailors, Jack Gough (2nd), Simon Cradock (3rd)

and Phil Kurts (3rd), who achieved impressive overall positions in the fourth term 2004 and first term 2005 competitions, recording many individual race victories in their respective divisions.

The inter-school Tri-Series, the most prestigious event in school sailing, saw fleets in excess of 100 boats across the three divisions in each of three race days. Day 1 held at Woollahra Sailing Club saw Jack Gough in equal first after four races in the Laser Full Rig competition. Simon Cradock finished 3rd in the Laser Radial Competition, with Cameron Halls in 6th after 4 races.

In the Pacer division Phil Kurts teamed with Anton Juresivic, and recorded an impressive fifth. The second day of the competition held at Hunters Hill Sailing Club saw Jack slip back to second after gear failure in strong winds. Simon Cradock sailed into second after two race wins in heavy conditions.

The final leg of the Tri-series saw the racing return to Rose Bay at Woollahra Sailing Club. Jack Gough sailed superbly in the blustery conditions to be on



*Phil Kurts & Anton Juresivc - 2005 Pacer Champions*

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equal first in his division after three races; the final race saw Jack lose his lead with a tactical error, however with perhaps a stroke of luck his rival capsized on the run to the finish line, allowing Jack to sail to victory in the inter-school Tri-Series Full Rig Laser division.

In the Radial laser division, Simon Cradock had poor results in the first races of the day, however a Southerly change bringing heavy winds in the final race saw him take the final race of the series, putting him in third position overall. In the Pacers Phil Kurts/Anton Juresivic recorded a respectable sixth position overall, while Eddie Blaxell/Jed Coppa finished in tenth place.

The final series of the season was the annual CHS regatta held at Belmont 16ft Skiff Club on Lake Macquarie. Light winds plagued the event allowing some less worthy sailors to record good results over the first three days of racing. When the wind finally picked up to a solid 15–20 knot South Easterly

breeze on the final day, the quality racing that CHS competition is renowned for occurred producing the best results of the regatta for most High sailors. The SBHS team included David Clayton in the Laser Full Rig finishing in third place overall. Simon Cradock finished third in the Laser Radial despite leading the race from start to finish on the final day. SBHS continued its dominance in the pacer division taking out first, second, and third in a strong field. Phil Kurts and Anton Juresivic finished first, winning the Joint Coal Board trophy, followed by Jed Coppa and Mohammad Mehmedbasic, and Slavva Nossar and Rahul Raja.

Overall the Sailing season was a success, and despite the loss of sailing stalwarts Jack Gough, Cameron Halls and Simon Cradock in the graduating class of 2005, High can look forward to impressive results in the future from its ever growing sailing program.

**Muhamed Mehmedbasic**



Simon Cradock in the lead at CHS

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***Sailing***

***Back Row:*** R. Raja, A. Wogas, C. Halls, R. Pearson

***Second Row:*** W. Ma, E. Blaxell, S. Nossar, R. Rotherham, M. Mehmedbasic, Y. Sun

***Front Row:*** A. Jurisevic, J. Coppa, A. Cheng, S. Cradock (Captain), B. Lung, A. Richards, D. Toh

# Water Polo



## **Waterpolo**

**Back Row:** B. Chow, J. Kang, J. Diep, M. Kim, E. Chau

**Second Row:** A. Nguyen, K. Kim, D. Tran, Y. Kim, A. Ha, J. Kwok

**Front Row:** K. Ly, J. Banh, G. Nguyen (Vice Captain), Mr C. Harvey (Coach), C. Budd (Captain), H. Fukushima, B. Chan

## Winter Sports Assembly, 3 June 2005

Welcome to the 2005 winter sports assembly. We are here in the presence of parents, staff, coaches and students to honour those boys who have been selected to play in GPS teams for winter competition. On behalf of the school I extend a special welcome to our guest speaker this morning, Old Boy, Andrew Bennie, a football and cross-country representative. Our assembly is a week late this year so our teams have faced GPS 2005 style competition already. The GPS competition in all sports is getting more professional in its operations. Recruitment of talent has become part of the sporting landscape. The standard of coaching has risen. The expectations of players are greater. The levels of fitness required have risen. In such an environment having strong motivation (or goal directed behaviour capacity) is essential for survival. Motivation has two dimensions. Positive motivation is an intrinsic force. It originates within an individual as a natural response to a desire to accomplish, to do things well. Positive motivation is optimistic; it responds to the potential benefits to be gained by a course of action. It nurtures visions of tasks completed and goals achieved. On the other hand, negative motivation is usually an extrinsic force. It originates outside the individual and is associated with sanctions or punishment. We comply with taxation deadlines and obey 'no parking' signs because we are negatively motivated to avoid paying fines.

Generally speaking, individuals feel empowered by positive motivation and disempowered by negative motivation. Sustained negative motivation (fear of failure or of being dropped from the team or personal criticism by coaches or team mates) can cause harmful levels of stress and lead to burn out or withdrawal from the activity. In a state of positive motivation an individual applies natural, low stress resources towards goal achievement. Positive motivation leads to higher performance in most cases.

In sport, negative motivation can be transformed into positive motivation through consciously changed perceptions of the situation at hand. "Should" "must" or "cannot" are replaced by "will" "want to" and "can"- inspirations towards personal empowerment. As members of teams what can you

do? How can you develop positive motivation? Well, you can take responsibility for your level of physical fitness. You can stick to a strength training program. You can play to the game plan. You can follow the coach's instructions. You can visualise yourself doing the job you have been assigned in the team. You can reduce or eliminate your actions which affect team performance. You can lead by example. You can resist the temptation to launch into a ruck from the side, or push someone in the back when challenging for the football, or give away a penalty by tackling late. Choose the highest percentage play. Pass the ball when you should. In volleyball, resist the temptation to spike the ball when it is already below the top of the net. Have a positive outlook on the rules of the game. Fashion your game around complying with them to the advantage of your team.

Passion in sport is admirable and vital for heightened performance. However, it has to be channelled. It has to remain your servant and not become your master. No matter what the outcome of the contests ahead of you, each team member can manage his own motivation. He can make it positive. The way that he plays his game is what matters most. In the case of individuals, four lifelong beneficial qualities will be nurtured during the season if you remain positively motivated: resilience, task commitment, enthusiasm and willingness to grow in sport. Team success, no matter how it is assessed, will follow, if all the team members stay positively motivated and play with controlled passion. In the weeks of competition ahead, focus on what you can do and retain high levels of positive motivation.

I congratulate all students who have been selected in GPS teams, first and second grade. I appreciate the effort you have made so far to reach this stage of preparation. We have teams in football, rugby, cross-country, volleyball and rifle shooting. I leave you with the observation of Admiral Morrell: *Morale is when your hands and feet keep on working when your head says it can't be done.* With high morale our teams can achieve more than they think they can. Good luck to you all.

**Dr K A Jaggar**

# Athletics Assembly

Special guest Danny Weidler, parents coaches, staff, students. Welcome to our annual athletics assembly. We are here today to honour our athletics team for the work they have done and their achievements so far and to thank Mr Devlin for his most capable administration of the athletics program at High. There are many people who take on responsibilities as volunteers during the short but hectic season. Mr Gainford is a stalwart. Mr Creer has played a role for years. Mr Baldock has ably assisted the program for the last couple of years. Mr Codey turns out each week as do parent volunteers and Old Boys. However, Mr Devlin's team needs more athletes. We are set up to run a bigger program. All we need is more willing participants.

We are now in our second year of offering athletics to the whole school as a sport. Our GPS team trains separately as we help them to prepare for athletics meets held each weekend during the season. On Wednesdays and Thursdays the rest of the school follows our evolving program. Year 11 boys go to McKay for sprints, 800s and touch football. Mr Baldock has devised a tight program of tests and point scoring. Our rotation of disciplines such as the 100m, 800m, long jump, high jump, shot put and agility testing, has given purpose to the afternoons and generated both student interest and significant data about our students' performances. The scoring has thrown up a number of results that suggest we have some natural athletes who are not competing on Saturdays. High does not have very many athletes. We need every single one we have competing in our team. I urge boys in our assembly who have scored highly on our tests to get involved in athletics competitively. See Mr Devlin about joining the GPS training squad. Have a go. Get into off season training. Join the team for next year.

The AAGPS Athletics Carnival continues to be a most highly regarded, top quality sporting event. It is ably organised, very well attended and widely reported. It had its genesis in a senior athletics carnival 120 years ago at the SCG instigated and organised by High students in 1886. The students presented to you today, will represent our School at this traditional event. I admire the spirit that has been demonstrated by our students over the years as they continue to compete wholeheartedly even when outclassed. Their first goal is to surpass TAS on the point score and go after Scots. Given the accumulated point score system, every race has

interest as High boys strive to pass rivals from TAS or Scots to earn that extra point. Every field event has the potential to earn us points.

Our team of athletes gives its all to represent their school in a very tough environment. They would greatly appreciate your support out there at Homebush on Saturday to inspire and support them.

It is my pleasure to introduce our guest speaker today, Mr Danny Weidler and to share with you a brief resumé of his life. Danny completed his education at Sydney Boys High in 1986, and has worked as a sports journalist since 1987. He started at Big League magazine and has written for Rugby League Week, Sports Weekly, Golf Magazine, Inside Sport and has produced radio sports programs. He has also appeared on radio, talking sport on 2MMM, 2KY, 2UE and 2GB in Sydney.

Danny wrote for The Sun-Herald from 1996, where he covered stories in a wide variety of sports especially rugby league, rugby union, swimming and boxing. He also wrote a news breaking gossip column "The Last Word" which was the most controversial sports page in the country for eight years.

Danny Weidler joined National Nine News in November 2004, and is widely respected by peers for his ability to break big sports news stories.

Last year he revealed the existence of a mystery thief on the Australian Kangaroos Tour, was the only journalist to find out the Bulldog's version of the alleged rape at Coffs Harbour, and revealed the secret bid by the NSW Waratahs for Andrew Johns. He has also broken major news stories, witnessing the startling shooting death of mentally-ill artist Roni Levi at Bondi Beach.

Along with his reporting duties for National Nine News and other programs, Danny writes for *Rugby League Week*, *Inside Cricket* and *The Bulletin*.

Danny has broken his legs four times playing his two favourite sports. Two breaks occurred whilst skiing and he broke both legs whilst playing golf (a friend rolled a golf cart on him). He is married and has a nine-month-old daughter, Sofia.

Danny is obviously a lover of sports. He has a wealth of experience in sports journalism and has earned a high degree of credibility as a commentator about sports issues. Please make welcome Mr Danny Weidler.

**Dr K A Jaggar**

# Debating, Fencing and Rifle Shooting Assembly

## 22 July 2005

Distinguished guest, Hilbert Chiu, coaches, managers, teachers, parents and students, welcome to our annual celebration of debating, fencing and rifle shooting. Also, we are taking the opportunity this afternoon to honour publicly our volleyball team and our Student Representative Councillors, thereby demonstrating our ethos in action. We value participation. We pursue excellence. We honour leadership. We strive for and admire all round achievement and so seek opportunities to recognise it in our students.

During the first three days of this week the annual GPS shoot was conducted at Hornsby. Given the tragic context of the sport in our school this year, the competitive participation of teams at this event was a triumph in itself. Mr Fittler's long running contribution to target rifle shooting at GPS, state, national and international level was commemorated by the firing of a single parting shot before the commencement of the final 1st grade competition on Wednesday. Our boys did not win this year, but given their limited opportunities to train, they were competitive and performed well, exhibiting true High spirit. John would have been proud of both first and second grade team members for their commitment, grit and skill.

Without the tremendous efforts of old boy Nathan Scudder, the team would never have made it to the competition. His devotion to the task of registering shooters, sorting out administrative requirements and seeking a way forward for coaching, was heroic. Geoff Blinkhorne did a marvellous job as armourer, sorting out the rifles and their safe storage at two venues. Mrs Bronwen Gordon from the Rifle Shooting Committee was also a great contributor to the cause, giving up a great deal of her time to support the process. Our coaches, old boys Justin Hill and Daniel Comben, did a great job preparing the team at short notice and hindered by late personnel changes. Thank you also to Doug Fergusson, Sam Mason and Peter Wrigley for managing Wednesday shooting this term.

I am determined to make every effort to keep the sport alive in our school. Any interested boys in years 7 or 8 should see Mr Mason about getting licenced during Term 3 so that we can start a

Thursday shooting program in Term 4. I am still seeking an MIC for the sport for next year. A revised model for operating the sport has been devised that reduces the workload for a new MIC, but energetic promotion within the school is vital for the health of rifle shooting. This is true about any of our many activities.

Debating at High has grown even larger as a co-curricular activity this year, thanks mainly to the drive, enthusiasm and organisational ability of Ms Jocelyn Brewer. Her input has given great structure to the activity and expanded the number of competitions that High enters. Consequently, many more boys have had the opportunity to be trained and to represent their school in competitive debating. Thank you to the Debating committee and to our adviser Joseph Suttie. The coaches have again managed to bring out the best in our boys and guide them well in competitions. Thank you to Mary Ann Cradock who accompanies debaters and public speakers to many of their contests.

This year we have high hopes of maintaining our recent history of winning at least one state title each year. Our first grade team suffered a disputed loss to Sydney Girls in the Hume Barbour Regional Final but have taken the result on the chin and moved on, in true High style. We all hope they can carry on their really good form and bring home the Roat Shield for GPS debating. Our junior program is very strong. The East Side debating competition was a success. We hope the Premier's Debating Competition is more productive and more tightly managed this year. Good luck to all the GPS debating teams starting competition tonight.

Fencing is a popular sport at High that has benefited from the two sports afternoon arrangements by allowing greater numbers of boys to access the sport. It is not to be seen as a Wednesday sport but as a serious Saturday competition sport where years of preparatory training are required. Thanks to the efforts of Mrs Matsos, fencing has run smoothly for several years. I would like to recognise her committed service to fencing. Thank you to Mrs Klocker and the Fencing Committee and Alwyn Wardle for their great work in administering and coaching fencing.

In conclusion, I want to share with you the Zulu concept of *Ubuntu*. *Ubuntu* describes how African societies are spiritually founded, how they perceive personal worth. The expression can be described in English as 'a person is a person through other persons'. It is a salutary exercise to consider assessing yourself as a person by reference to your relationships with other people. *Ubuntu* evokes values of humanity, community and responsibility.

At High we thrive on competition, personal success and recognition, but contemplation on *Ubuntu* could illuminate for us another alternative, selfless yardstick of achievement, in the form of assistance to others and quality efforts for a communal cause. In our team sports and co-curricular activities, perhaps less emphasis on ego involvement and more on *Ubuntu* might well improve overall individual and school outcomes.

**Dr K A Jaggar**

# Athletics



## **2005 Athletics Report**

High athletics for 2005 achieved many significant results throughout the season. Many athletes realised their potential and gained significant personal bests.

Athletics started with the school carnival at the start of the year with many promising athletes on show. These runners, jumpers, and throwers represented the school at the local zone athletics meet at Eastgardens. Every event seemed to be filled with the brown and blue of Sydney High. With such a great turnout many made it through to the Sydney East regional athletics held at Homebush. Sadly the turnout was not quite as good but the athletes who did turn up achieved some great results. The athletes who made it through to state were: Josh Hui, Nelson Ridges, Joel Livingston, Richard Xu, Lachlan Street, James Barker, Edward Ovadia, and Joel Ninyo. Joel Ninyo further went on to represent the state at nationals in his open shot put. Also the U14 relay team made the final which is a mentionable effort.

The GPS athletics season started slowly but began to pick up speed with every invitational meet seeming to attract more and more athletes. With sufficient training sessions and help set up by Mr

Devlin, MIC of athletics, the responsibility was on the boys to turn up for training. After five invitationals the GPS championship day arrived with all athletes rising to the occasion. However the athletes who had done the training showed that it paid off with great results. At the end of the day High marginally missed out on beating Armidale in both the juniors and seniors, which was a disappointing result.

With too many mentionable results throughout the season some standout athletes could not go without mentioning, such as the U14 relay team (Josh Hui, Nelson Ridges, Joel Livingston, Richard Xu), Edward Ovadia, James Barker, and Joel Ninyo. The relay team showed by their second place at GPS and their results in the CHS what can be achieved through practice and commitment to an endeavor. Secondly the outstanding results of the latter three competitors were great inspiration for the juniors by these senior members of the team.

Personally the season was plagued by injuries from hamstrings to calves. However I tried to help the rest of the team as best as I could even though I could not compete myself. I only hope that future athletes will not take for granted what I missed this season, a chance to represent High.

**Paul Watzlaff, Captain of Athletics**

# Annual Athletics Carnival Results

EVENT	FIRST	SECOND	THIRD
<b>OPENS</b>			
100 M	Suren Wickramasinghe <b>11.36s</b>	Mischa Steen <b>11.40s</b>	Patrick Tung <b>11.52s</b>
200 M	Mischa Steen <b>23.53s</b>	Suren Wickramasinghe <b>23.61s</b>	Jacob Stretton <b>24.69s</b>
400 M	Mischa Steen <b>0'55.78m</b>	Hung Neo <b>0'57.50m</b>	Dale Sun <b>0'59.41m</b>
800 M	Paul Watzlaff <b>2'07.31m</b>	James Barker <b>2'13.56m</b>	David Clayton <b>2'16.44m</b>
1500 M	Paul Watzlaff <b>4'30.09m</b>	James Barker <b>4'34.38m</b>	Edward Ovidia <b>4'36.28m</b>
110 Hurdles	Jacob Stretton <b>18.94</b>	Suren Wickramasinghe <b>19.21s</b>	Joshua Scharfegger <b>19.46s</b>
High Jump	Mischa Steen <b>1.70m</b>	Jacob Stretton <b>1.70m</b>	Suren Wickramasinghe <b>1.65m</b>
Discus	Joel Ninyo <b>37.90m</b>	Roger Burrell <b>36.21m</b>	Edward Pham <b>29.47m</b>
Javelin	Christopher Tran <b>45.09m</b>	Peshala Kariawasam <b>38.17m</b>	Dale Sun <b>33.30m</b>
Long Jump	Mischa Steen <b>5.80m</b>	Christopher Tran <b>5.63m</b>	Sen Mitsuji <b>5.60m</b>
Triple Jump	Mischa Steen <b>11.65m</b>	Suren Wickramasinghe <b>11.25m</b>	Jacob Stretton <b>11.15m</b>
Shot Put	Joel Ninyo <b>12.28m</b>	Karl Kruszelnicki <b>11.80m</b>	
House Relay	Eedy <b>47.61s</b>	Saxby <b>48.31</b>	McKay <b>50.33</b>
Champion	Mischa Steen		

## 16 Years

100 M	Richard Xu <b>11.89s</b>	David Kim <b>12.29s</b>	Samuel Chhor <b>12.30s</b>
200 M	Richard Xu <b>25.04s</b>	David Kim <b>25.25s</b>	Aaron Shuttleworth <b>25.33s</b>
400 M	Richard Xu <b>0'59.50s</b>	Andrew Reis <b>1'01.31m</b>	Michael Masalehdani <b>1'01.68m</b>
800 M	Riet Rotherham <b>2'20.66</b>	Andrew Reis <b>2'22.16m</b>	Michael Masalehdani <b>2'23.29m</b>
1500 M	Sandy Cunningham <b>5'01.21m</b>	Ali Amin <b>5'08.46m</b>	Andrew Reis <b>5'10.08m</b>
110 Hurdles	Dakshika Gunaratne <b>16.88s</b>	Richard Xu <b>17.71cs</b>	Frank Jin <b>18.21s</b>
High Jump	Dakshika Gunaratne <b>1.54m</b>	Victor Wei <b>1.50m</b>	Andrew Trinh <b>1.46m</b>
Discus	Gregory Nguyen <b>25.60m</b>	Victor Wei <b>24.00m</b>	Terry Ly <b>23.49m</b>
Javelin	Gregory Nguyen <b>26.32m</b>	Terry Ly <b>25.07m</b>	Victor Wei <b>24.13m</b>
Long Jump	Frank Jin <b>5.90m</b>	Richard Xu <b>5.30m</b>	Riet Rotherham <b>5.00m</b>
Triple Jump	Frank Jin <b>11.60m</b>	Dakshika Gunaratne <b>11.25m</b>	Richard Xu <b>10.45m</b>
Shot Put	Victor Wei <b>11.175m</b>	James Tiedgen <b>9.89m</b>	Matthew Fetherston <b>9.595m</b>
House Relay	Fairland <b>50.54s</b>	Torrington <b>50.89s</b>	Rubie <b>51.47s</b>
Shuttle Relay	Eedy	McKay	Rubie
Champion	Richard Xu		

*Athletics*

<b>EVENT</b>	<b>FIRST</b>	<b>SECOND</b>	<b>THIRD</b>
<b>15 Years</b>			
100 M	Gehan Karunaratne <b>12.52s</b>	Kogulan Sriranjana <b>12.63s</b>	Louis Yang <b>12.70s</b>
200 M	Gehan Karunaratne <b>25.76s</b>	Alistair Taylor <b>26.04s</b>	Kogulan Sriranjana <b>26.54s</b>
400 M	Gehan Karunaratne <b>1'02.84m</b>	Louis Yang <b>1'04.97m</b>	Kogulan Sriranjana <b>1'06.72m</b>
800 M	Louis Yang <b>2'32.92m</b>	Quan Nguyen <b>2'35.94m</b>	Johny Shih <b>2'39.94m</b>
1500 M	Alistair Taylor <b>5'04.59</b>	Daniel Campion <b>5'05.91m</b>	Quan Nguyen <b>5'09.89m</b>
100 Hurdles	Danny Ng <b>17.56m</b>	Gehan Karunaratne <b>17.70s</b>	Thomas Lindeback <b>19.23s</b>
High Jump	Danny Ng <b>1.55m</b>	Matthew Fsadni <b>1.52m</b>	Victor Nguyen <b>1.48m</b>
Discus	Wei Zhuang <b>26.59m</b>	Jih Tan <b>26.50m</b>	Louis Yang <b>25.92m</b>
Javelin	Alexander Vulkanovski <b>26.90m</b>	Albert Ng <b>21.69m</b>	David Tran <b>20.84m</b>
Long Jump	Matthew Fsadni <b>5.15m</b>	Gehan Karunaratne <b>5.15m</b>	Danny Ng <b>4.85m</b>
Shot Put	Martin Han Liu <b>10.81m</b>	Mitchell Kelly <b>10.33m</b>	Robert Chen <b>10.27m</b>
House Relay	McKay <b>52.85s</b>	Rubie <b>53.33s</b>	Saxby <b>53.62s</b>
Champion	Gehan Karunaratne		
<b>15 and Under</b>			
Triple Jump	Gehan Karunaratne <b>11.50m</b>	Martin Han Liu <b>10.40m</b>	Nicholas Lindeback <b>9.70m</b>
<b>14 Years</b>			
100 M	Lachlan Street <b>12.46s</b>	Joel Livingstone <b>12.95s</b>	Kent Nguyen <b>12.99s</b>
200 M	Lachlan Street <b>26.56s</b>	Joshua Hui <b>26.58s</b>	Kent Nguyen <b>27.95s</b>
400 M	Lachlan Street <b>1'05.31m</b>	Edwin Montoya Zorilla <b>1'07.12m</b>	Patrick Locke <b>1'07.79m</b>
800 M	Kenny La <b>2'31.48m</b>	Patrick Locke <b>2'34.44m</b>	Edwin Montoya Zorilla <b>2'35.63m</b>
100 Hurdles	Lachlan Street <b>16.64s</b>	Danny Fu <b>17.37s</b>	Jacky Chen <b>17.67s</b>
High Jump	Denis Stojanovic <b>1.45m</b>	Lachlan Street <b>1.40m</b>	Cameron Reeves <b>1.35m</b>
Discus	Mark Vu <b>28.20m</b>	Cameron Reeves <b>28.10m</b>	
Javelin	David Nam <b>21.72m</b>	Michael Myronenko <b>20.69m</b>	Matthew Ling <b>18.24m</b>
Long Jump	Lachlan Street <b>4.54m</b>	Denis Stojanovic <b>4.45m</b>	Kent Nguyen <b>4.35m</b>
Shot Put	Alexander Belokopytov <b>9.50m</b>	Lachlan Street <b>9.42m</b>	Matthew Lau <b>9.35m</b>
House Relay	McKay <b>53.03s</b>	Eedy <b>55.65s</b>	Torrington <b>55.79s</b>
Shuttle Relay	Eedy	McKay	Rubie
Champion	Richard Xu		
<b>14 and Under</b>			
1500 M	Patrick Locke <b>5'14.71m</b>	Edwin Montoya Zorilla <b>5'19.47m</b>	Christopher Evans <b>5'20.27m</b>

*Athletics*

<b>EVENT</b>	<b>FIRST</b>	<b>SECOND</b>	<b>THIRD</b>
<b>13 Years</b>			
100 M	Kieran Taylor <b>13.66s</b>	Nicholas Wong <b>13.69s</b>	Jeffrey Wong <b>13.70s</b>
200 M	Kieran Taylor <b>29.10s</b>	Joshua Tassell <b>29.84s</b>	
400 M	Nicholas Dimitropoulos <b>1'11.62m</b>	Stephen Yoon <b>1'12.55m</b>	Jeremy Ireland <b>1'14.22m</b>
800 M	Nicholas Dimitropoulos <b>2'39.82m</b>	Jeremy Ireland <b>2'43.09m</b>	Jeffery Jiang <b>2'43.41m</b>
90 Hurdles	Kieran Taylor <b>17.41s</b>	Joshua Tassell <b>17.85s</b>	Alasdair Brown <b>18.03s</b>
High Jump	Kieran Taylor <b>1.30m</b>	Alasdair Brown <b>1.25m</b>	Nicholas Wong <b>1.25m</b>
Long Jump	Tony Xiao <b>4.70m</b>	Kieran Taylor <b>4.40m</b>	Alasdair Brown <b>4.30m</b>
Shot Put	George Denny-Smith <b>11.24m</b>	Jeffrey Wong <b>10.45m</b>	Daniel Kim <b>10.15m</b>
House Relay	Ruby <b>58.32s</b>	McKay <b>59.07s</b>	Eedy <b>60.34s</b>
Champion	Kieran Taylor		

**13 and Under**

Discus	George Denny-Smith <b>21.30m</b>	Daniel Kim <b>16.99m</b>	Luke Tran <b>15.08m</b>
Javelin	George Denny-Smith <b>24.61m</b>	Daniel Shan <b>20.36m</b>	James Whiting <b>17.36m</b>
Shuttle Relay	Eedy	Saxby	Torrington

**12 and Under**

100 M	Shadman Ali <b>13.86s</b>	Derek Trang <b>14.43s</b>	James Han <b>14.77s</b>
200 M	Shadman Ali <b>30.84s</b>	Derek Trang <b>30.94s</b>	Edward Qui <b>31.84s</b>
400 M	Shadman Ali <b>1'16.49m</b>	James Han <b>1'18.50m</b>	Yixin Liu <b>1'19.33m</b>
800 M	Derek Trang <b>3'09.79m</b>	Clinton Jiang <b>3'10.50m</b>	Laurence Liu <b>3'11.84m</b>
90 Hurdles	Edward Qui <b>17.91m</b>	James Han <b>18.71s</b>	Shadman Ali <b>18.78s</b>
High Jump	Derek Trang <b>1.25m</b>	Benjamin Ly <b>1.20m</b>	= William Lee <b>1.10m</b> = Yixin Liu <b>1.10m</b>
Long Jump	Derek Trang <b>4.10m</b>	William Lee <b>3.70m</b>	Edward Qui <b>3.70m</b>
Shot Put	Edward Qui <b>8.13m</b>	Derek Trang <b>7.81m</b>	Michael Wang <b>7.79m</b>
House Relay	Saxby <b>62.23m</b>	McKay <b>64.49s</b>	Fairland <b>64.93s</b>
Champion	Derek Trang		

# Rugby



## **First Fifteen**

**Back Row:** R. Burrell, B. Wrench, M. Levy, J. Scharfegger, A. Tiedgen, P. Tripp

**Second Row:** S. Cunningham, J. Tiedgen, D. Fonseca, S. Gribble, B. Angell, W. Kwok, T. Polis, J. Phung

**Front Row:** H. Frisoli, M. Carroll, P. McDonnell, Dr K. Jaggarr (Principal), I. Kwok (Captain), Mr S. Bolen (Coach), C. Conway, N. Bull, S. Wickramasinghe

**SBHS Rugby Trial Results 2005**

Team	Trin	St G	H Ag	Ch/Ox	TAS	Cran
1sts	L 0-46	NG	W 34-0	L 14-26	W 36-17	D 17-17
3rds	L 0-28 (16A)	NG	NG	L 5-20 (Chev 2nds)	L 10-14	W 49-0 (5ths)
16A	L 0-36 (2nd)	W 22-0	NG	W 14-7	L 0-13 (2nds)	L 0-45
16B	L 0-31	NG	L 0-24 (16's)	L 0-5	W 10-0 (4ths)	L 12-31 (C's)
15A	L 12-31	W 15-7	NG	W 36-0 (Ox16A)	L 0-22 (16A)	W 22-17
15B	W 29-0	L 0-12	D 12-12 (15's)	W 10-5 (Chev 15A)	W 12-0 (16B)	L 7-24
15C	NG	NG	NG	D 0-0 (Ox15A)	L 5-14 (15B)	L 0-42
15D	NG	NG	NG	L 5-25 (Chev15B)	NG	W 17-15
14A	W 17-5	W 25-5	NG	W 49-0	L 0-50 (15A)	W 17-12
14B	NG	NG	NG	W 37-7	L 0-36 (14A)	D 7-7
13A	L 15-26	W 48-7	L 10-26 (14's*)	W 41-7	W 47-5 (14B)	W 39-5
13B	NG	NG	W 22-10 (13's)	L 12-27 (Ox13A)	L 22-33 (13A)	L 0-42
13C	-	-	-	D 10-10 (Chev13B)	L 15-31 (13B)	-

**SBHS Rugby GPS Results 2005**

Team	SGS	SHR	SIC	SJC	TKS	NC	TSC
1sts	L 22-45	L 10-39	L 7-67	L 0-107	L 19-43	L 8-54	L 7-60
3rds	W 24-0 (4ths)	L 0-5 (6ths)	L 3-36 (6ths)	L 14-22 (6ths)	L 0-14 (6ths)	W 29-5 (5ths)	L 0-17 (6ths)
16A	L 0-12	L 0-38	L 0-45	L 0-70	L 0-32	L 3-47	L 5-32
16B	L 0-22	L 0-24 (C's)	L 0-14 (C's)	L 0-10 (E's)	L 7-28 (C)	W 17-5 (C)	L 5-15 (C)
15A	L 0-10	L 0-45	L 0-50	L 0-22	L 0-24	L 0-31	W 41-0
15B	L 10-17 (16C's)	L 0-55 (C's)	L 0-21 (C's)	L 7-15 (D's)	L 0-15 (C)	L 0-35	L 5-28 (StG 15s)
15C	L 0-10	L 0-54 (E's)	D 15-15 (E's)	W 29-0 (F's)	L 5-29 (E)	W 15-12	L 3-14 (B)
15D	W 52-0 (15D/16D)	L 12-24 (G's)	W 12-7 (F's)	W 37-5 Wav15E	L 0-48 (F)	W 22-14	L 10-38 (C)
14A	W 17-7 (15B's)	L 15-32	L 10-24	L 0-25	L 0-12	L 15-17	W 15-5
14B	L 7-51 (14A's)	L 0-31 (C)	D 5-5 (D)	L 5-14 (D's)	L 0-17 (D)	W 8-7 (C)	W 55-0 (C)
13A	W 77-0 (14B's)	L 5-36	W 10-5	D 10-10	L 5-32	L 0-13	W 15-0
13B	L 17-37 (14C's)	L 0-57 (C's)	L 0-56 (C)	W 20-7 (E's)	L 10-29 (C)	L 10-17 (C)	W 7-5 (D)
13C	-	-	-	L 15-27 (F's)	L 0-19 (E)	L 0-73 (D)	L 5-37 (E)

## First Fifteen

The 2005 season was full of ups and downs. Pre-season training started in December with Sunday morning sessions with Les Robinson which covered much of the Eastern Suburbs. Combined with 'before school' speed and skill sessions run by Coach Serdar Bolen, we knew we were in for a tough year of rugby. Easter Holiday weights training in the school weights room with weights trainer Jason Tassel made the boys stronger than ever.

The pre-season started with a solid six try haul against Hurlstone at home finishing with the score line at 36-0. On the same weekend the boys backed up to play a strong Chevalier side unfortunately going down 12-22 with them capitalising on our mistakes. We were determined to make amends for this and downed Armidale with another six try haul. The test for us came at Cranbrook which is always a close game and this was no different, resulting in a 17-17 draw. With the pre-season complete and the GPS season commencing in the following week the squad was finalised.

Our first opponents were Grammar at Weigal and we started with a bang with an unforgettable try by prop, Bryan Wrench, racing away 40m to score under the posts. This was soon followed with Cameron Conway crossing to take the lead to 12-0. But with a lapse in concentration in defence we went into half time down 15-19. The second half started the way we finished the first half. With their speed and our missed tackles, Grammar blew the lead out, but not without half back Pat McDonnell crossing with his scrum move "Rat-dog" running and drawing men and then exploding over the try line. Grammar was not the start to the season we wanted but it had a lot for us to build on. However it also came at a price with the loss of Josh Sharfagger (knee) and Roger Burrell (dislocated hip), both out for the rest of the season.

The game against Shore saw some new inclusions with Sam Gribble in the second row and Sandy Cunningham at inside centre, for Cam who injured himself at training, who was quick to open his point scoring account with a 40m penalty which he calmly slotted in the opening minutes. Stand out player for this game was outside centre Will Kwok whose defence was bigger than ever putting many of his trademark big hits on display. However, Shore pulled off their set plays which put their winger into open space several times and with support play

they managed to turn their half chances into points. A quick tap just before half time, mixed with a step and a dummy saw Mark Carroll cross to reduce the gap. In the second half both teams probed and both lines could not be broken for almost twenty-five minutes until Shore crossed for two late tries to finish the game. Troy Polis braved out the game with a broken thumb which put him on the sidelines for a few weeks.

The game against Iggies was a tough assignment and had us defending for most of the game. Iggies were big and strong and we put in a great effort but were unable to complete our half chances when we had the ball until the dying minutes when, off a scrappy lineout, Pat cleaned it up and threw a big dummy fooling everybody and saw him fly down the 5m channel to score under the posts. This game ended the first half of the season to give us a much needed break to recover from the many niggles and injuries most boys were carrying. During this time off, Will Kwok went to the doctors for a back pain he had been carrying since the pre-season which ended his season when scans revealed there was a cyst in his back.

We returned after this break with Cam back at 5/8 pushing Damitha Fonseka back to inside and Sandy to fill the 13 jersey Will had left vacant. Phil Tripp came up from third grade to play second row to help face the tough assignment of Joeys. Despite a huge effort from the boys, Joeys were having an unstoppable year and had no trouble in putting on a big scoreline with their many representative rugby players on display. However the forward pack managed to hold and even move the Joeys pack back in many of the scrums – a testament to the hard work and extra scrum training sessions the forwards do at lunch and before school and to our two props, Bryan Wrench and Alex Tiedgen, who also did extra weights sessions, showing how hard work pays off in games.

With our toughest assignment over we looked forward to playing Kings. Our forward pack dominated their scrums and line outs and we went up 7-0 early in the first half courtesy of Pat who took the ball from a back maul set up from a lineout 40m out from their line and some good vision saw him burn down the touch line and a nifty in-and-away to beat the fullback. But a lapse in concentration again and a lack of confidence let them score a few soft tries to put the game almost out of reach by half time. With a break at half time and a small tweak in



**Third Fifteen**

**Back Row:** Mr S. Storey (Coach), B. Li, N. Poranek, J. Ninyo, W. Clegg, P. Pereira, M. Taylor, M. Bari

**Front Row:** B. Stamati, A. Cohen, P. Tripp, N. Bull (Captain), D. Sun, J. Kraindler, I. Zak

our defensive line we managed a spirited fight back with Cam putting on a few steps and showing his pace to cross first in the second half. The next try we put on was from a kick in broken play which was chased and turned over only metres short of their line and a few phases later Damitha found himself over in the corner. Things were looking up until the dying minutes, when Kings managed to turn over the ball from some tried clean outs and scored in the corner.

The next game was Newington at home. The boys got off to a bad start letting in a few soft tries before Damitha hit back with a nice angled run to split the Newington defence on their try line to cross for his second try in two games. The tight five held their own against the other pack securing good ball when we had it and solid pick and drives. Bryan Wrench found himself in open space and one on one with the fullback and opted to chip the ball into the fullback's hands instead of passing it to his front row partner Alex Tiedgen in support. In the end the lack of ball and mountain of defence we had to do

took its toll late in the second half and Newington ran away with it.

Our final game of the season was against Scots at home. The boys played the best they could with some late withdrawals of Mark Carroll and Sandy Cunningham on the morning, due to sickness, and an injury to Pat McDonnell early in the half saw the Scots team gain the lead, but not before two great try-saving tackles from Holden Frisoli earlier in the half. Holden was rewarded late in the first half with a huge effort to pick and drive the ball over the line through the Scots pack. James Tiedgen also stood out in defence with his countless cover tackles.

With the season over, and unlucky not to come away with a GPS win, it had been a very enjoyable season and the Year 11 boys returning have a lot to look forward to. We only showed glimmers of our true potential in the GPS as we were constantly hindered by injuries.

Congratulations go to Pat McDonnell who made GPS selection in the Second XV and Tom Mainprize in the GPS Third Squad. Pat was also "Best & Fairest" and Cam was presented with the new award "Players' Player" at our Senior Rugby Dinner. Thanks go out to Coach Serdar Bolen who made the season so enjoyable for the team; Mr Hannon for all the time he put in with the forwards at lunch time lineout and scrum sessions; Mr Jason Tassell for all the holiday weights and sled sessions, and Mr Les Robinson who unfortunately had to leave half way through the season to go to Ecuador to find the missing piece in his life. His Sunday morning poetry readings and inspirational speeches will be sorely missed.

**Ian Kwok, Captain**

## Third (Second) Fifteen

The new structure of Senior Rugby in 2005 allowed for an all Year 12 Third Grade side, who, by our own admission, are probably the most unique team ever

to wear the blue and brown. The team consisted of a vast range of both talent and experience, and while few of us possessed both, a few of us possessed neither. Our GPS season began promisingly with the infamous Grammar game, which I am still being asked about four months on, the real story lost among the numerous fabrications and recreations that form just part of the mystique of the renamed Third (formerly Second) XV. Coached by Mr Steve Storey the team had a season filled with both highs and lows, primarily dictated by the selection choices of the First XV. The Third XV, while reflecting a unique persona, was a typically passionate, though often less than dedicated, representative of Sydney High rugby and leaves many fond memories in the minds of players and spectators alike. Peter Pereira, in the course of the season, wrote the following match reports, on various games played.

### 3rd XV Match Report 7/5/2005 vs Chevalier College



#### 16A Fifteen

**Back Row:** B. Angell, P. Roser, D. Cheng, G. Nguyen

**Second Row:** Mr G. Stein (Coach), R. Rahman, D. Gunasekera, Q. Yang, E. Louie, D. Wu, M. Samarasinghe, S. Burke

**Front Row:** C. To, A. Trinh, J. Archer (Vice Captain), G. Manamperi (Captain), J. Kamerman, J. Morgan, W. Xu

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The day was a good one, we were ready for football. Our preparation for this match was superb – a 0-42 thumping from Trinity, no holiday training, and one dour session on the Wednesday of this week. Our opposition was the Second XV of Chevalier. The warm-ups of the respective sides showed the differences in work ethic. They were approximately twice our size, and thus we pursued a smart game playing on McKay 1.

The game itself was a cracker. The forwards stood up, holding the tough Chevalier backs at bay, while the backs hardly let anyone through. Much of the credit here goes to Allan Dam, who would have a mortgage on a First XV spot if he wanted it, and despite hardly touching a footy for about a year, still made bone-jarring tackles and strong runs. But it was a collective effort and if not for a slip-up out wide, we would have led at half-time. Nevertheless we were still in it, and only stamina hindered us in really putting it to the Chevalier defence. The final score was 5-20, our try-scorer was Shni, who made a

scorching break down the blind-side to score. We did in fact think we had scored another, but the referee didn't award it. All in all, a great game and a good preparation for the road-trip to Armidale.

### **3rd XV Match Report 14/5/2005 vs The Armidale School**

This fixture is one of the best on the calendar, mainly because it's the only place in the past where we've actually been able to win. The bus ride up there is always a long affair, but an eventful one. A highlight was the chess challenge between the heavyweight Munir Alam and Benjamin Stamati. Mun, the first grade giant (who claims he came to SHS on a chess scholarship) put on an outstanding display of chess, splitting the two matches they played.

Once we arrived we played a game of touch on the oval. The night settled and everyone got to bed all right, with big Will Kwok demanding everyone "get some ... sleep boys." The next morning we were able to get a tutorial in scrummaging from the great



#### **16B Fifteen**

**Back Row:** A. Wijeyaratne, H. Dang, P. Roser, A. Jeyendra, A. Lee, E. Louie, S. Cheema

**Second Row:** Mr G. Stein (Coach), G. Zinger, A. Shi, G. Guruparan, R. Rahja, L. Shi, D. Gunasekera, C. Rodrigo, M. Wang, L. Lai

**Front Row:** W. Xu, M. Razeen, R. Rotherham, A. Nguyen, R. Rahman (Captain), S. Srikumar, D. Tran, T. Razeen, A. Trinh



**15A Fifteen**

**Back Row:** S. Wang, W. Zhuang, M. Farhat, M. Coutts

**Second Row:** Mr A. M. Hannon (Coach), T. Hurrell, R. Miao, R. Tran, A. Wang, D. Gunaratne

**Front Row:** J. Kim, L. Yang, A. Jawahir, A. Vertoudakis, H. Walker, D. Kim, Y. Guo

Andrew Walters, and boy is he a big unit. While he may lack a little in aesthetics, he makes up for it in knowledge of the game...and facial hair.

The match itself was a pretty poor one in terms of performance. Blokes were walking around and not getting involved in the rucks and mauls. Fortunately, TAS hardly took advantage of this. Without doubt the highlight of the game was a set-play. Shni locked down in the uncontested scrum, allowing Phil to run off Nick, 10 metres out. Ilya sent a pass that actually went to Nick who gave off a beautiful inside ball to Trippy who ran an excellent line to score untouched. The final score was 10-14.

**3rd XV Match Report 21/5/2005  
vs Cranbrook**

In what will go down as one of the finest moments in sport, the High Third XV side put together a performance worthy of a team who actually trained. Our new recruit Daniel Thomas did enough at training to warrant a starting position – these things aren't free, and it'd be a fair call to say DT repaid the selector's faith in him. Taking on the Cranbrook Fifth

XV certainly isn't the Everest in rugby terms and it showed early on. Forwards captain Phil 'Matt Dillon' Tripp bumped off a few blokes in the first hit-up of the match. This was a sign of things to come.

Without our star fly-half and whisper-quiet skipper Nicholas Bull, the backs seemed to gel well, with Shaheen 'Shooters' Kumar stepping up with aplomb. He was certainly helped by the Number 9 – Ilya Zak who did a marvellous job throughout the day. His crisp passing off both sides had the camera editors searching for superlatives. Inevitably, with all the pressure we applied, we scored...well DT scored, a few tries. Most pleasing though was the defence, with many turnovers, and excellent ball security.

Try of the day probably went to Josh 'Shni' Kraindler. The sublime Joel 'Tito Stairmaster' Ninyo, showing all the skills which won him a coveted state PSSA fullback jersey, got a nice offload away to Shni who had an easy job in putting the ball down. The other memorable moment – memorable in that it took so long it's hard to forget – was Nick 'Pozza' Poranek's long-range runaway try.



**15B Fifteen**

**Back Row:** M. Chen, K. Kim, J. Mackay

**Second Row:** H. Walker, K. Lee, M. Keldoulis, D. Hu, J. Chiu, N. Levanic

**Front Row:** C. Lee, R. Jang, T. Hurrell, S. Lou, R. Nguyen, H. Lee, A. Arafat

Overall, it was a good effort by the team to put a half-century on. Just about everyone scored (except the wingers, courtesy of our centres Shni and Alon) and the game was an ideal preparation for the next match against Sydney Grammar School. With the captain returning and DT starting to find his feet in this team, it will be an interesting match – a brains vs brains contest. Stay tuned.

**3rd XV Match Report 28/5/2005  
vs Sydney Grammar School**

This was billed as the grudge match. The two warm-ups were poles apart. With DT back on board we looked to assert some dominance in the rucks and scrums. We didn't just dominate, we destroyed them in the time we played. We scored three well-constructed tries within about fifteen minutes. Another prominent moment of the half was a kick for touch by the Grammar fullback, which did go over the line, except it was the dead-ball line, giving us possession from the point of the kick.

We were out to a handy lead at half-time, even though we were not playing anywhere near our best. After half-time there was fracas in the grandstand. However on the field, we had just won a scrum against the feed, from which a bustling run from big Bomber Rocket which sparked a superb post-try celebration involving a poor kick from the try-scorer and a cheesy look of determination on his face. At this point the match was abandoned. Some of us went back to watch the First XV. Others left Grammar for the last time on a sour note.

**3rd XV Match Report 4/6/2005  
vs Shore School**

Following the media coverage of the Grammar match, the 3rd XV side travelled to Shore for what is always a tough contest. The day was a fine one. A slight breeze punctuated the blue skies, and the match was played at two in the afternoon, an appetiser for the First XV match, although it was played on Shore 3.



**15C Fifteen**

**Back Row:** R. Tran, S. Jia, R. Zhaman, D. Hu, J. Chiu

**Second Row:** Mr A. M. Gainford (Coach), P. Heo, J. Na, M. Wong, R. Miao, J. Lai, S. Lou, J. Phu

**Front Row:** A. Huang, R. Leach, W. Zhang, R. Pandit, J. Freiman, R. Devapiriam, R. Yeung



**15D Fifteen**

**Back Row:** Mr A. M. Gainford (Coach), J. Kok, A. Vulkanovskli, J. Phu, B. Liu

**Front Row:** S. Azad, L. Deacon, J. Lai, A. Alaganar, M. Ng, R. Gokarn, R. Cherian



**14A Fifteen**

**Back Row:** N. Ridges, D. Ng, P. Du, B. Pfull, B. Wang

**Second Row:** Mr P. Scrivener (Coach), B. Palau, D. Vien, R. Chen, S. Merom, D. Fu

**Front Row:** A. Kandasamy, J. Ip, D. O'Keefe (Captain), J. Hui, J. Livingston



**14B Fifteen**

**Back Row:** J. Burney, C. Zhang, B. Lee, V. Perananthan

**Second Row:** Mr P. Scrivener (Coach), W. Lee, J. Menzies, T. Li, K. Na, A. Lim

**Front Row:** C. Martin, J. Culibao, K. Ahmed, T. Joo, T. Rosengarten, J. Coppa, S. Rahman

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**13A Fifteen**

**Back Row:** Mr P. Bigelow (Coach), J. Nguyen, C. Reeves, A. Kwok, K. McPherson, J. Tassell, G. Astafiev, D. Nam

**Front Row:** M. Ambrose, R. Chen, J. Chow, A. Belokopytov (Captain), J. Eriksson, B. Chen, G. Denny-Smith

**Absent:** M. Ling, D. Kim



**13B Fifteen**

**Back Row:** N. Kayes, T. Harvey, A. Krishnan, S. Binns, W. Lim

**Second Row:** Mr J. Beringer (Coach), D. Nam, J. Santoso, J. Lieu, C. Evans, J. Bell

**Front Row:** D. Morgan, A. Blomberg, G. Deacon (Captain), J. Whiting, G. Shargorodsky

The preparation for this game was not ideal. Trippy turned up (to watch) before some of the players did, while others were caught in traffic, or forgot to wake up on time. Nevertheless we did take to the field eventually. We were boosted for the game by the inclusion of big Ibrahim Dakdouk. Ibs was to play in the centres. The first half was full of defence. The Shore side attacked our line relentlessly, and took advantage of penalties. Our scrum didn't hold up too well against the big forwards. Yours truly in particular not providing enough push in the second row. That said, the Shore side did not make us pay for our mistakes, and our line held up tremendously well.

After so much defensive work in the first half, we knew that if we could get more of the ball in the second half, we'd be able to capitalise with our bigger men like Ibs and Rocket. A couple of promising raids were made. Brian made a bust up the middle, not as big as his bust at Joey's last year or his bust at Grammar this year. Nevertheless we had a little momentum and certainly had our chances. Dropped balls and shocking kicking plagued the side throughout the afternoon. In the end we only lost 0-5, a respectable score, but not at all what we were looking for.

### **3rd XV Match Report 18/6/2005 vs Saint Ignatius' College**

This was the first match after the long-weekend. It was also our first home match in the GPS season. Playing on McKay 2 is always a challenge, with rabbit holes and dust maligning the surface. The Iggies team which presented looked very big, much like their side of 2004. That team was incredibly slow around the park, letting Oliver Taaffe run 105 metres to score untouched. The team we played in 2005 however seemed to have more skill. Surprisingly they lost by a point to the Shore team which just pipped us last week. We thought we were in with a big chance, but a soft early try to Iggies woke us up.

From here on we were more disciplined. A penalty goal to captain Nicholas reduced the margin to 7 at half-time. The second half is hard for me to comment on, seeing I was in Disneyland after an accident in a ruck. The final score in the match was 3-31, probably not reflective of our effort.

## **16A Rugby**

The 16As were created as a development squad for senior rugby in 2006, with the team made up

entirely of Year 11 students. The team was announced and had their first training session together less than one week before their first trial game against Trinity Second XV. This was reflected in the score line for that game – we went down 0-36 to a much bigger Trinity side. We regrouped well after the Trinity game with some good training sessions and the players starting to gel as a team. We answered our loss to Trinity with two wins on the trot at home against St Gregory's and Chevalier. We referred to McKay as "Our House" and looked unbeatable at home with two wins from two games. The following week we traveled away from "Our House" for our annual match up against the Armidale boys. We lost 0-13 to the Armidale Second XV but were able to take a lot from the game.

Our first GPS game was against Grammar at Weigall. We lost 0-12 in a tightly fought battle that could have gone either way. After our close loss to Grammar we were confident that we would be able to regroup and come back strongly in our upcoming GPS games. This confidence took a heavy blow after we lost players due to injuries in our team and the First XV. A total of eight players were called up to the First XV during the season.

Throughout the season several team combinations were tried and with many B players stepping up and playing for us. We put the loss against Shore the following week behind us as we focused on our next game. Saint Ignatius had always been strong in the previous years and this year we were playing them at "Our House". Being undefeated at home the team was feeling confident that we would be able to keep our home record intact against Ignatius. We lost to Ignatius and then lost to Joeys the following week. We didn't have any luck in our following games against King's, Newington and Scots, losing in all three. A special mention should go to Mark Samarasinghe who scored against Scots after he charged down a kick, becoming our leading try scorer in the GPS.

The 16A captain was the very talented and courageous Gajaba Manamperi. He led, as all good captains do, from the front, taking on much bigger opponents, never shying away from the tough stuff. He is a leader for the future.

There were several players who stood up this year and took a senior role in the team and would perform above themselves week in and week out. Stand out player in the backs was James Archer,

who took on a lot of responsibility this season and led the back line. Chris To was dynamic. In the forwards was Quinton Yang who was a tireless rugby player who played each minute of the game as hard as he could.

Thanks to all the Bs players who had to fill positions in the A team, which was a big step up for them as most of these players were only in their second year of rugby. These players included Andrew Trinh, Wayne Xu, Thariq and Malik Razeen, Dinuka Gunasekera, Adrian Jeyendra, and Russell Rahman. Congratulations to you all on a difficult job done very well.

## 16B Rugby

It was an eventful season for the 16Bs rugby team. A total of twelve games were played, with only two victories. This must, however, be viewed in context with a large contingent of our players in only their second year of rugby, and a similar number were in their first season. Throw in a few injuries, and the 16Bs had a hard time of it. We never gave up and we often showed our scoring capability and potential. We constantly amazed spectators with our defensive grit against dominant opposition.

We showed cohesion and much dominance up front against Chevalier, but we still suffered a heartbreaking 0-5 loss. Next up we trekked up to TAS and faced a larger and older Armidale Fourth XV. Despite their size, we blew them away at the start with our fancy city ways, and we were slightly disappointed to go in at the break with only a 5-0 lead as we had squandered several try scoring opportunities. In the next half, we played even better than we did in the first half but so did TAS. We managed to scrape in another try to win 10-0 despite a furious late assault on our line (Andy Nguyen, Larry Lai tries).

Our next game against Cranbrook at dewy Dangar was one of our more disappointing ones. We struggled to make first up tackles in the slippery conditions and were put off our game by lack of continuity. We scored twice but we could not string together any quality phases to put pressure on the opposition, and went down 12-31 (Wayne Xu, Russell Rahman tries; Andrew Shi goal). We suffered losses to stronger and deserved winners Grammar and Shore.

Our game against Riverview was one of our best

defensive performances. We simply could not get our hands on the ball the entire game, but they could only manage two tries. We put in a similarly quality defensive effort against Joeys, but our attack was a bit lacklustre. We faced King's with a weaker side but still managed a try in a 7-28 loss (M Razeen A try; Andrew Shi goal).

The following Saturday we were completely dominant over the Newington team, and we scored a try off the first kick off. Following that, however, we were complacent and they managed to sneak in a try. A 17-5 win was a reflection of our dominance. Kudos to Adrian Jayendra for snaring our season's only double. (Adrian Jayendra (2), T Razeen tries; Andrew Shi goal). Against Scots we learnt a hard lesson. We scored first and became complacent. In the second half they put on three unanswered tries. An unfortunate ending to a season so full of promise (Andy Nguyen try).

Several players deserve special mention. Matt Wong was our most improved player. Week in, week out he was consistently at all breakdowns and still managed to take the ball up and make many tackles, and his technique in forward play improved immensely. Our best back must go to Andy Nguyen, a more experienced player, who every week showed his skills and scored a number of tries. Adrian Jayendra, despite only playing in our last two games added much class to our backline. Captain Russell Rahman always played with power and determination consistently making ground with the ball as he tore into opposition forwards. Russell had several runs in the As acquitting himself well in the higher company and would not be out of place in a First XV jumper next year.

The team's thanks go to Mr Stein who was always there to show the positives from our games. He never dwelled on the negatives but worked to improve us, which is so important when given a team of rookies such as us to coach. Thanks must also go to family and friends of team members, as well as the 16As, who supported us during our games.

## 15C Fifteen

The 15Cs rugby season started reasonably well with the match against Grammar and although the team went down with a scoreline that read 0-10, a lot was brought out of the game. The game geared up the team for the next week's clash against Shore and

presented some much needed game time for the new arrivals. Unfortunately, the next week against Shore provided the same result, with a much worse scoreline of 0-54.

This was a real wake up call for the boys but it could not be helped that the next game would be approached more cautiously and with low esteem. Even though the next game, against St Ignatius, did not provide the greatest result (a win), the next best thing was achieved – a draw. The match was neck and neck until the very last stages and even then, the result was split down the middle. Thanks to some good forward mauling in the last forty seconds of the game, a 15-15 result was achieved. This was a decent result leading into the holidays and a much refreshed team would be brought back against Joey's.

The particular game against St Joseph's was played in first gear with hardly anyone working up a sweat. The game was easily controlled and the team walked away with one of the most simple wins imaginable in a 29-0 whitewash.

Again, the rollercoaster that was known as the rugby season once again cascaded and although the initial feelings were positive, the King's school easily diminished any hope of a High win with a 5-37 thrashing. Although the 15C team was comprehensively beaten, their will was shown when once again they were able to overcome the previous week's woes and make the best of a tough situation. The game against Newington was again decided in the final minutes. After what seemed like a domination in the first half, the High team were dumbfounded when they realised the scoreline was 10-12 in favour of the other team. But the boys put in a bit of extra effort and were able to turn it up a notch by scoring the only points in the second half. The try was scored by Rano Yeung when a half back feed from the opposition went astray but was spotted and a forty metre dash ended the series of events.

Finally the season ended with the match against Scots. The first half was evenly matched but still was in our favour to a degree with a lead of 3-0 achieved. Unfortunately Scots found unexpected depths and High School were defeated 3-14. That ended what was a great season of rugby with two wins, one draw and 4 losses.

**Rommo Pandit, Captain.**

## 14A Rugby

The 14As played twelve matches for six wins and six losses.

The pre-season was very successful with good wins against Trinity Grammar, St Gregory's College, Chevalier and Cranbrook. The Armidale trip was great experience for the team playing against a very good 15A team. We are looking forward to playing them next season.

In the GPS we had very competitive matches against all schools finishing the season on a 'high' with a 15-5 win over The Scots College. Daniel O'Keefe was our highest point scorer with four tries.

Several players had outstanding seasons including James Ip and Nelson Ridges. The rookies in the team this year were Joel Livingston and Shahar Merom. They took up the challenge of "A" rugby and were playing with great confidence by the end of the season. Shahar Merom was our most improved player for 2005.

The team would like to thank coaches Mr Scrivener and Mr Howie, Managers Mr Lochner and Mr Ridges and Dr Bowes for their efforts this season.

**Daniel O'Keefe and Nicholas Lochner  
Co-Captains**

## 14B Rugby

The 14Bs played eleven matches for three wins, two draws and six losses.

The pre-season highlights were the win against Chevalier 14Bs and the 7-all draw against Cranbrook 14Bs. In the GPS we had close matches against most schools.

Our best player was Andrew Lim. He was also our highest point scorer. The team had five players playing their very first season of rugby including Toby Rosengarten, Danny Fu, Tim Li, Ben Lee and Winston Lee. They improved every game and will be assets to the team next season. Tim Li and Toby Rosengarten were our most improved players.

The team would like to thank coach Mr Howie and Dr Bowes for their hard work throughout the season.

**Dominic Bowes and Tim Joo  
Co-Captains.**

The 2005 Rugby season was successful in terms of

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improvement and competitiveness.

During the pre-season there were different team combinations tried with varying success. We had good wins over Chevalier, St Greg's, Armidale and Cranbrook as well as narrow losses to Trinity and the Hurlstone Agricultural High School 14A/15A team.

The GPS began with strong wins against Grammar and Saint Ignatius'.

The highlight of the year was our game against the unbeaten St Joseph's. Joey's had a very skilful backline and ran in a try after five minutes. High's strength was in the forwards and the rolling mauls. Grigori and Cameron both scored tries from this solid platform.

Joey's kept spreading the ball wide in an attempt to score but our defence held until the dying stages of the match. A momentary lapse in concentration cost us dearly as Joey's crossed for their second try. The conversion was waved away with the match finishing in a thrilling 10-all draw.

There were some disappointing games against Shore, King's and Newington, however we finished the season on a positive note by defeating Scots 15-0.

All three captains Matthew, Alden and Alex would like to thank Mr Bigelow, Mr Beringer, Mr Hannon, Mr Tassell, our parents and supporters for a wonderful season.

**Matthew Ling, Alden Kwok, Alex Belokopytov**  
**Co-Captains**



### **13C Fifteen**

**Back Row:** Mr J. Beringer (Coach), F. Li, M. Wang, B. O'Rourke, L. Brown, L. Appleton, B. Greenslade, R. Saggar  
**Front Row:** R. Kashyap, R. Cohn, J. Lee, B. Kelly, D. Andanovski, J. Chan, O. Fio

# Football



## **First Grade Football**

**Back Row:** L. Chen, G. Pasupathy, E. Curran, N. Roucek, S. Craddock, J. Gough, D. Greenup, B. Akinci  
**Front Row:** P. Zhang, G. Karunaratne, Mr R. Gifford (Coach), S. Mitsuji (Captain), Dr K. Jaggar (Principal), E. Blaxell, M. Steen

## Association Football (Soccer)

Following on from last year's year of rebuilding, High fielded a First Grade side that contained only three players with experience at the highest level. The pre-season started with a number of worrying trends emerging with the defence leaking goals badly against a rampant Trinity side but then in a real demonstration of determination and character a High First Grade squad followed a disappointing start by winning the St Andrews Plate.

The ages of the First and Second Grade sides were possibly the youngest High has ever fielded with only eight regular players involved in both sides and in the squad of twenty six players. This certainly had an effect on the results in the GPS season as many were learning how to play at the pace and with the ferocity required in this competition.

Some positives were the "bleeding" of a Year 10 student who played in all of the First Grade fixtures and the four Year 10s in Second Grade who played a vital part to the season. The season also saw the introduction of a Year 9 into Second Grade as goalkeeper.

In fact a representative squad of next year's possible First Grade Squad took part in the Friendship Games and equipped themselves very well against some very fine local and overseas football clubs.

In the Junior School two Talent Development Coaches were employed to work with the As and Bs in all years on getting the basic skills right. These techniques need to be learnt as early as possible so that they are second nature by the time the players get to the representative levels or it is too late and the early indications with the 14s and the 15s are that this programme is working and worth pursuing.

2005 was a season that followed the re-structuring and coaches development in the previous year and was starting to show signs especially in the Junior School that the increase in training professionalism is starting to produce players with a much greater skill level.

**N Morris, MIC**

## Youth Friendship Games

After a training session on the Monday 11 July where the squad was introduced to both each other and a new system of playing, there was a mixture of anticipation and apprehension of what to expect

over the next few days.

The tournament was to feature some 1500 American athletes as well as athletes from all over Asia/Pacific and of course Australia.

The Football Tournament was organised by Soccer NSW and in the 14-16 age group High had entered there were twelve teams organised into three groups.

The High team assembled at 9am on the Tuesday to get their bearings and to warm up. The weather had done us proud and put on its best winter face dropping below 15 degrees for the week. With people wandering everywhere we found the field that we had been assigned and began to get ready to warm up. A number of players went to the St Johns Ambulance tent to wake the attendant up and to ask for strapping on various niggling injuries. After a strenuous warm up to get the chill from the bones the games were ready to commence.

### High 1-1 Ingleburn RSL SC

High started with the Coaches dream 4-4-2 formation against a strongly drilled Ingleburn side who had a strong pedigree with their training jackets proclaiming their NSW State Champions 1997 status.

High started slowly as they got used to their new responsibilities but then as they started to hit passes to feet and found the width they had, they began to force Ingleburn to play without the ball and to panic when in possession. The best chance in a tight first half fell to Burak Akinci who made some room for himself 25 yards out but his dipping drive was very well saved with a tip over the bar by the keeper at full stretch. Just as High began to dominate Ingleburn played a couple of quick balls and forced High back and a poor clearing pass on the edge of the box presented the opposition with a good chance which they put away clinically.

The High boys' spirit was good however and they knew they were far from out of this game and after discussing a few technical things at half time they were soon back out there and they pinned Ingleburn back into their own half for the rest of the game. High were first to the ball in midfield and reacted quickly to pick up any secondary ball thus preventing Ingleburn from getting any momentum going. The High pressure finally paid off with Shuttleworth sending over a low corner and Blaxell

arriving late to slot home from 2 yards.

High maintained the pressure with both wings gaining in confidence and creating havoc by beating their man and pulling the ball back. Akinci managed come close on a couple of occasions and Chen and Karunaratne both directed back post headers over the bar.

High had grown into the system they were playing and had certainly started to work well together as a team. All credit to the Ingleburn keeper who demonstrated the value of a technically strong goalkeeper when it comes to getting something out of a game you possibly should not have done.

### **HIGH 3-1 Stingers (USA)**

The next game was the introduction to the first of our American opponents and it was apparent pre-match that their ball skills were quite good but it was always going to be an interesting exercise to see how they were going to cope in a team environment.

The game started at great pace with the Stingers demonstrating they had a great deal of pace up front and on a couple of occasions caught the High defence ball-watching only to squander the opportunity 10-12 yards out or to see Shao calmly collect the ball.

High began to work hard as a team and utilising their own pace started to drive the Americans back into their own half and when Xu won a free kick on the edge of the Penalty Box far out on the right hand side, it seemed perfect for Akinci to float the ball to the backpost. Daniel Song had other ideas, however, and anybody who has seen him strike the ball in training would understand this was made for him, and he pulled back the trigger and rifled a drive into the far corner of the net, beating both a bemused keeper and a badly positioned wall.

Long Chen soon added a second from a near post corner and High went into half time comfortable at 2-0. The half time analysis was based on the importance not to allow the opposition back into the game and to try and finish them off early. Things started strongly but High seemed to lack a little edge until Song picked the ball up just outside the Stingers box, slipped it onto his right and placed his shot low into the right hand corner, giving the American keeper no chance at all. The rest of the game High took their feet off the pedal slightly and

except for one moment where Shao made a strong one on one stop, were pretty comfortable.

High stayed solid until Blaxell seemed to have an injury and halted play in the Stingers half, but then got up; the Referee waved play on and High were caught on the break and just as it seemed Shao was about to clean up another dangerous situation Xu came from nowhere, made a challenge and was unlucky to see his attempted clearance sail into the net.

The last ten minutes were frantic as the Americans bombarded the High box with acrobatic full frontal somersault-driven long throws which flew into the box like missiles.

Shao later managed an excellent triple save towards the end and with the Turbos (USA) losing to Ingleburn 4-0, and the two American sides yet to play each other, High knew they needed a draw at least to ensure a Quarter Final berth.

### **TURBOS (USA) 0-0 HIGH**

The Turbos were very fired up before the game and after four goal keeping errors in their previous game they had changed their keeper for somebody who seemed to be athletic. This game was to be the one that belied the "Friendship" label as from the outset the Americans were very physical and had a number of players who, on a suspected diet of McDonalds Steroid enhanced burgers and fries, would not have looked out of place in the Marines. High coped well with the physical aspect when the first talking point was to arrive. Malek calmly standing in front of the thrower to prevent the long throw, which incidentally George did in the previous game to the somersault throw and did not flinch as the boots flashed past his nose, received the ball thrown straight at his face. The referee had no choice but to send the American from the field for unsportsmanlike behaviour and then the fun erupted. The player ripped his shirt off screaming he did it all the time at home, the American Coach began berating the Referee and the players started to lose their cool. One player asked his coach to be removed before he killed somebody.

High in the meantime played some enterprising football and started to get well on top creating a string of chances which on each occasion the USA keeper did well to keep out.

The second half was dominated by High who created chance after chance but were thwarted by the Turbos who by this stage had given up all pretence of attacking and had settled for the draw by parking the team bus in front of their goal.

When Alex Lee broke through and was brought down clumsily by the keeper, the referee lifted his whistle to his mouth then thought about it and lowered it waving play on. After the fuss and abuse he had received from the American coach at half time it is possible the awarding of a Penalty and the regulation sending off of the keeper was not in the script for the "Friendship" games.

High battled hard but a string of fine saves and Akinci's knack of hitting the bar meant they failed to find the way through but had qualified for a quarter final and possibly a semi-final the following day.

### **HIGH 1-0 Emu Plains SC**

As we arrived on the Friday it was obvious that Emu Plains meant business. Along with the team manager and two coaches were some 20-30 parents and spectators lined up on the far side of the field. The Emu Plains manager introduced himself and was happy to inform us that his team had been given a bye earlier as one of the other teams had deemed them to be too big for them to play.

The game started very evenly with both sides having forays into the opposing half but being closed down well by the defences. Then Song was caught late on his ankle and forced to retire therefore providing an opportunity for the promising Alex Lee up front.

It was now that Ritchie "he's here, he's there, he's everywhere!" Xu decided to turn the game with some solo skills. Receiving the ball midway into the Plains half he used his speed to round the defenders and get to the baseline, cutting the ball back into the penalty box. Karunaratne could not quite reach it but Lee was on the penalty spot to drive the ball into the right hand corner.

The rest of the half High fought hard to prevent the Plains getting back into the game and a fine double save by Street again kept the score in High's favour.

The talking point of the game occurred ten minutes into the second half; High had been holding the Plains and preventing any real goal scoring opportunities, when on the far side of the field, Shuttleworth went down in a heap. The referee sent

an Emu Plains player from the field, much to the disgust of their supporters, for striking Aaron on the back of the neck. Reduced to ten men Emu Plains raised their game but despite pressing High they could not find the way through and a by now slightly concussed Xu really was everywhere including breaking into the box only to pass when he possibly should have shot. Akinci was swapped to sweep for the final six minutes and with his long clearances Emu Plains lost any real chance to put any sustainable pressure on High. A terrific game between two very good football sides and High had the pleasure of knowing they had possibly just knocked out the expected winners of the competition.

### **HIGH 0-1 Concord SC (After Extra Time)**

So to what was to be the last game for High in this tournament. The boys had grown well as a team and were playing some excellent football, with all of the substitutes slotting in well when required. The spirit amongst the players was superb and there was a great deal of self-belief without the dangerous cockiness creeping in.

Concord were a big side and they basically had the simple tactic of hoofing the ball forwards at all times while High endeavoured to play to feet and to carve chances by slick passing and a use of pace out wide.

High created a number of very good chances but a combination of bad luck and great keeping kept the score at 0-0.

The second half was all High and when Xu broke down the right, slipped inside to Karunaratne, onto Chen and back to Xu who played it into Akinci, all in one touch football, the superb volley, that ended the move, was destined for the bottom left hand corner until the keeper got across to tip it wide. It was the story of Burak's tournament he managed to bring the best out of every keeper we played!

Needless to say the game went into extra time thanks to the keeper and with 30 seconds left High had a corner followed by a free kick and while it would have been easy to settle for penalties High admirably were attempting to win the game properly by sending every available body forwards. Unfortunately the keeper caught the ball and sent it flying down into High's half where d'Avigdor did well to stall the two Concord attackers but through a comedy of errors Concord somehow managed to get the ball into the High net. The physical and

mental strain of such a tough game in the morning possibly took the edge out of High's game in those last few minutes of extra time.

The dream was over in those final thirty seconds but it was much nicer to have fought and lost a game as a team than to have lost as individuals in a Penalty shoot out.

On reflection the players had a great time, they learnt a lot about themselves as players and about themselves as part of a team that played some creative and strongly supportive Football throughout the Tournament.

Considering the young age of most of the players, their performances were top class.

The Squad was: Year 9 Lachlan Street; Year 10 Ritchie Xu, Aaron Shuttleworth, Gehan Kunaratne, Peter Malek, Alex Lee, Bill Sun, Rueban George, Nguyen Tran; Year 11 Chong Shao, Lewis d'Avigdor, Burak Akinci, Nick Hannon, Daniel Song, Long Chen, Ed Blaxell.

NB: Concord went on to lose the final 5-0 to Hurlstone Park SC.

**N Morris, Coach**

## Second Grade Football

Second Grade again incorporated a number of young players and in fact only had one Year 12 in the side. This did mean that inexperience was going to be a factor as well as the physical aspect of some of the other schools' game plans. With only two players having previous experience at this level from 2004, Francis Wong and Brian Chan, it was a case of moulding a new unit together.

The season started well with the early trial against Trinity Grammar which ended in a very competitive scoreless draw and after the First Grade Squad had been to the St Andrews Cup a few changes were made.

The trial period was a very successful one with second grade unbeaten against SCECGS (5-0), (1-0) and St Andrews (3-1), with the final trial at Cranbrook ending 0-0 in a game where High should have won comfortably but missed a number of key players who were trialling with First Grade. Aaron Shuttleworth, Daniel Song, Gehan Kunaratne, Long Chen and Jeremy Luscombe had pointed the way to goal in the pre-season and hopes were high for the

new season.

The first GPS game started well and when Long Chen put the visitors in front it seemed the form High had found was going to continue, but a resurgent Grammar in the second half pounced on a mistake to equalise and then ran away with the game. Second Grade's fragility and inexperience had been exposed and despite a stirring performance against Shore the week after where again mistakes were punished (0-2 at half time) a nervous side played to their full potential in the second half, but could not find the equaliser despite Gehan pulling one back early on. High's season was in tatters.

With First Grade also struggling, Second Grade gave up two of three of their key players in Roucek, Chen and Kunaratne to bolster first grade and subsequently lost two more games before the half season break.

During the break the nucleus of the Second Grade side contested the World Youth Friendship Games and after a successful campaign which far exceeded expectations a strong bond was formed amongst the players. The GPS season re-started and unfortunately illness hampered the preparations for the first game against Joey's, but the second against King's demonstrated a great deal of the character learnt at the Games and despite a loss to Newington and a draw against Scots, a sense of belonging had developed amongst the young squad.

Lewis d'Avigdor's leadership skills were tested and he grew as a player and Captain through the season and despite a season that promised so much to start and seemingly fell in a heap at the end, the development of players such as Nick Hannon and Ritchie Xu, Aaron, Long and Gehan, plus the blossoming of talent between the sticks of Lachlan Street and Chong Shao has left High with a valuable pool of players for next year with the experience of playing at this level.

**N Morris, Coach.**

## Third Grade Football

Following a year of dominance and confidence-boosting victories, 3rd Grade Soccer of 2004 would regroup for another season of competitive and entertaining football under the watchful eye of Mr Pearson. Despite the untimely loss of a couple of players to the higher grades and other personal

reasons, we were fortunate enough to be reinvigorated by a pool of talented Year 11 players who injected a new brand of football to our style.

Looking to better our result from last year, we steamrolled St Gregory's, St Andrew's and SCEGGS Redlands while a narrow loss to Cranbrook in a fiery match that looked certain to boil over into a brawl delivered us the confidence we so craved.

As the preseason concluded, we were eager to kick-start our GPS campaign with a win against our rivals, Grammar. We were all determined to beat Grammar, who had earlier defeated Cranbrook, and the local derby proved to be no fizzer. It was evident from the start that both teams meant business as possession shifted continuously. After 20 minutes of play, a lapse in concentration in the Grammar defence allowed us to slot one in and a fluid transition of the ball on our part propelled us forwards in the second half. The 3-0 win sealed a near flawless day and reflected upon the team's depth and ability to overcome any odds.

After Grammar, we travelled over to Northbridge for the encounter against Shore. After witnessing 4th Grade cruise to a comfortable victory, we were expecting to deliver another walloping. Perhaps it was this new sense of arrogance that played a part in our demise as a well-disciplined Shore team snatched an early lead and held off our relentless counterattacks to win deservedly 0-1. However, this 'upset' only galvanised us physically and mentally as our hunger for victory intensified. Facing the powerhouse of soccer, Saint Ignatius', we refused to be intimidated as each team traded shots on goal and goals. Leading 3-2 and with 10 minutes to go, we appeared home and dry until we conceded a penalty. A goal would have brought them right into contention but they were to be denied by Lachlan Street's outstanding double save. From then onwards, we dominated them on the field and on the scoreboard as we raced away with a satisfying 4-2 win.

Following our inspiring victory over Iggies, the Year 12 students embarked on their Half-Yearly exams at the expense of training and match play. After almost five weeks of not touching a soccer ball, Joeys looked like serious contenders. In a scrappy and evenly matched game, Tom Kaldor demonstrated a fine example of brains over brawn. Fielding massive bulky 6-foot players, Joeys were unable to decipher Kaldor's fake set play calls of "Sparrow", "Marinate

Me" and "Number 7" during one corner shot, leaving their goal unattended and allowing the ball to nicely slip in. This 1-0 win allowed us to come to the conclusion that we could win without any training. How wrong we were. After a disrupted week, which prevented us from training on Wednesday and Friday, and negotiating the arduous drive through the maze of streets in Kings, our philosophy crumbled on a day where everything didn't go to plan. The gloomy atmosphere of the post-match "talk" summed up our disastrous 0-3 loss.

In an attempt to redeem ourselves, we set to the task of working hard and refining our tactics. This alternative approach rewarded us as we held on to an early lead to win 3-2 against Newington.

The final round of the GPS season brought us against Scots. For most of us it was going to be the last time that we would be representing High and we were resolutely determined to go out on a high. After an inspirational huddle, we proudly took our positions on the field. For the entire 55 minutes, we showed Scots the fervour and spirit that we had been bound by - to each other and to the school - for the past six years. A 1-0 win completed our football careers at High, with which we have all been honoured to have been affiliated.

3rd Grade Soccer 2005 had an extremely successful season, winning 8 matches and losing 3 games, in which we won 5 and lost 2 in the GPS season. Our for-and-against stood at 30-11 for the entire season. It is without a doubt that these impressive statistics reflect the devotion and unflagging duty of care of our coaches, Mr Pearson and Pat Bazin. Our accomplishments stem from the previous year, in which Mr Pearson moulded and transformed us into the players we were this season. He was never reluctant to take us up again and served as a coach and mentor to all of us. Many thanks should also go to the support of our parents and the 4th Grade Team who trained with us as a squad and backed us up time and time again.

And finally, any report would not be complete without expressing my appreciation to the players for an enjoyable season of football. Their never-say-die attitude to the game and each other is one which should echo through every High boy. 3rd Grade Soccer 2005 included: Michael Maseldani, William Xu and Ronald Yu, who were always serious contenders for the Golden Boot; Nathan Frazi, Tom Kaldor (vc), Bob Lu and David Wang who

Football



**Second Grade Football**

**Back Row:** R. George, K. Kim, F. Wong, L. Street, C. Shao, N. Hannan, A. Lee, B. Chan

**Front Row:** J. Kwok, A. Shuttleworth, L. d'Avigdor (Captain), Mr N. Morris (Coach), D. Song, J. Luscombe, R. Xu



**Third Grade Football**

**Back Row:** D. Wang, T. Kaldor, W. Xu, C. Jahja, M. Masalehdani, M. Seow, N. Frazi

**Front Row:** R. Yu, M. Nguyen (Captain), Mr E. Pearson (Coach), B. Liu, E. Hibbert

consistently maintained a solid balance in the midfield; Edward Hibbert, Hung Neo, Martin Nguyen (c) and Mitchell Seow who repelled wave after wave of attacks; and the courageous goalkeeper, Chris Jahja, who literally put his body on the line during every match.

### **Martin Nguyen, Captain**

## **Fourth Grade Football**

I think I can safely say that this year's Fourth Grade soccer team was one of the most successful teams in the GPS. A single loss marred an otherwise perfect season, with four wins and two draws.

We had a solid start to the season, with a draw against Grammar. A good game and probably a fair result in the end, although an obvious handball in their box could have easily given High the lead, but the referee did not spot it. The next game against Shore was the Fourth's best performance of the year, running in three unanswered goals. The Shore team never really got going and rarely troubled the High defence.

The third game saw High come up against the in form Riverview. High were determined to keep up their unbeaten run and looked certain to do so, putting two goals in the back of the net relatively early on in the game. Riverview had a late charge; a good through ball and a clinical finish saw them pull one goal back. However, this was not enough, as High kept them out for the rest of the game and enjoyed their first hard fought win.

High were very confident going into their next game against Joeys, as many of the players remembered overwhelming victories over them in earlier grades. But this team was not a pushover, as a tough and scrappy match saw both teams miss early chances. High took the initiative, slotting the first goal in, followed soon by another. Joeys continued to press, finally rewarded by a late goal, but it was too little too late, and High took away another convincing win.

The King's game was much like our first game against Grammar. A one all draw was a fair result, as the game was truly one of two halves. King's applied the early pressure, and squandered several opportunities, but eventually put one home. High fought well, scoring early in the second half after Sahir intercepted a short pass by the keeper and slotted it home into the far corner of the

unoccupied net. King's had very few touches in the second half, and any chance they had was easily cleared by the well-drilled defence. A bit more luck could have seen High go further in front and claim their fourth win of the season, but it was not to be.

Buoyed by the excellent second half performance the week before, High thought another win was on the cards against Newington. However, a tired defence could only watch as the fast and strong Newington forwards broke through and scored with relative ease. Another goal in the second half put the result beyond doubt. A poor performance considering the excellent form the team had been in. However, High took a lot from this game and decided that their last game against Scots would be a win. A scrappy game saw both sides fight hard for the ball, with several good tackles being made in the back line. A brilliant goal from Quinn saw High leap into the lead, and stay there mostly untroubled for the rest of the game.

Goals were evenly spread around the team, with Richard and Quinn (the forwards) with several each and various midfield players with singles. The sweeper of the team also managed a goal, although strictly speaking it was an own goal – as High's sweeper was the last to touch it, he has claimed the goal as his. So all in all, a very successful season for Fourth Grade Soccer in 2005. A disciplined team, aided by the many practice games held during Wednesday sport time, saw a well deserved (almost) undefeated season.

*Grammar: 0-0, Shore: 3-0, Riverview: 2-1, Joeys: 2-1 Kings: 1-1, Newington: 0-2, Scots: 1-0*

### **Edward Hibbert, Captain**

## **Sixth Grade Football**

On the whole, it was 'the season that should have been' for Sixth Grade, who, from the outset, looked every inch the Dolan Cup contenders with the pre-season annihilation of Cranbrook.

### **Game One: vs Grammar 5 – 1**

The first game of the GPS season saw Sixth Grade firing early to go up 3 – 0 early in the game with a combination of set plays and the occasional lucky shot. The second half proved little different as Sixth Grade kept piling on the pressure, adding two more before Grammar caught the keeper out, chipping the ball over the defence and the keeper. This was

not the last time this would happen.

### **Game Three: vs Scots 1 – 2**

Coming off a bye and feeling hyped about another big win, we were given a reality check when the Scots team showed what real football should be. Sixth Grade held on grimly, but conceded an unlucky chip shot over the defence and keeper. This was not the last time that this would happen either. Sixth Grade equalised soon afterwards, but Scots manage to gain a penalty and seal the win in overtime.

### **Game Four: vs Riverview 0 – 2**

For a chilly sub 10°C temperatures and an 8.00 am start, Sixth Grade looked out of sorts early on, but the superb defence kept the game together until a rifle like shot constructed outside the box saw 6ths go down a goal into the break. The second half saw more even styles of football from both teams, but again, another chip kick over the defence and keeper saw the ball in the net. Thankfully that was

the last time we ever conceded that kind of goal. A brilliantly saved penalty from keeper Jason Diep showed the resolution of the Sixth Grade team.

### **Game Six: vs King's 4 – 0**

A game in the notoriously big King's ground would usually deter most from playing their best football, but Sixth Grade drew inspiration from this. From the outset, Sixth Grade pummelled the King's line left, right and centre, and after a while, Sixth Grade were 2 – 0 up from a carefully plotted penalty and a shot from Jack that bemused the keeper.

The second half was even more brutal, with Sixth Grade relentlessly pounding the King's goal, and adding another two before the time ran out. This game was one of the most physical and brutal.

### **Game Seven: vs Scots 1 – 0**

When faced with the prospect of not being in the running for the Dolan cup we consoled ourselves to win back the game we should have won earlier this season. Sure enough both sides were quite evenly



### **Fourth Grade Football**

**Back Row:** F. Amin, R. Liu, C. Jahja, E. Hibbert, T. Quazi, R. Pearson

**Front Row:** S. Syed, T. Zhong, Mr E. Pearson (Coach), B. Liu, M. Lunney

Football



**Fifth Grade Football**

**Back Row:** P. Wong, Y. Hussain, T. Chong, S. Fernando  
**Front Row:** J. Sun, J. Diep, R. Kumar (Captain), A. Ha, R. Amion



**Sixth Grade Football**

**Back Row:** P. Wong, A. Leong, J. Diep, V. Sirinopakul, J. Fan  
**Front Row:** Y. Yeung, N. Islam, R. Lam (Captain), B. Chow, J. Jiang

Football



**Seventh Grade Football**

**Back Row:** K. Ho, E. Chau, J. Diep, K. Vaidya, T. Wong  
**Front Row:** A. Huynh, H. Liu, K. Liu (Captain), A. Wong, P. Lieu



**16A Football**

**Back Row:** N. Tran, C. Siu, M. Masalehdani, O. Perera, T. Hurrell, D. Wong  
**Front Row:** A. Lee, M. Alim, P. Malek, A. Husaini (Captain), B. Sun, A. Naik, J. Xie



### **16B Football**

**Back Row:** S. Robson, A. Park, W. Shen, A. Surendran, M. Kelly, H. Song, J. Park

**Front Row:** S. Yuan, M. Liu, A. Ashokkumar, B. Prentice-Davidson, V. Issaev

matched, both going goalless into halftime. The tide began to swing in Sixth Grade's favour, and it was only fitting to see Ray score the winner against the team he lost to previously.

This has been a great season all round, and I would like to thank firstly coach and careers advisor, Mr Watson for supervising our training sessions every week, as well as keeping us informed with university open days and his usual witty remarks; MIC of football Mr. Morris, without whom, we wouldn't have a Sixth Grade to write about; the parents and supporters who come out and cheer us on, even if it was 8.00 am, and lastly to everyone in the team: Yukita, Jimmy, Victor, and Jack up front in attack for creating opportunities at goal; Augustine, Paul, Dawei and Yuk Lun in the midfield creating major havoc when comparing the size of these midfielders relative to other teams; Andrick, Nassiful, Felix and Ben for their solid defence that could be likened to the Great Wall of China (quite literally); and Jason and Daniel in goal who have had a successful season if not for the opponents taking advantage of their

relative size in goals.

My apologies for anyone I may have missed mentioning, including those from Fifth Grade who have always filled the gaps in seemingly mysterious holes in the starting lineup. With myself at sweeper, I present to you Sixth Grade of 2005.

**Raymond Lam, Captain.**

### **Football 16A**

The 16As season started with a trial game against Trinity. With half a training session, we were pretty impressed with the 9-0 score line. Only problem with it was that we lost. Although, with seven (Aaron, Richie, Jez, Gigs, D'Arcy, Bill and Reubs) of last year's team gone to 1st and 2nd Grade, China and rugby, I suppose the loss should have been expected.

Our next game was against Knox. We lost. Then St Pius. We lost again. Since we hadn't scored, and with SCEGGS our next game, we were out to score some goals. We had our best start to the season, after a



**16C Football**

**Back Row:** R. Somanchi, M. Shen, E. Lui, Z. Li, J. Au

**Front Row:** T. Iskander, S. Hussain, A. Surendran, G. Panicker (Captain), M. Ba, L. Wong, R. Baskaran

sublime lob into the box from Robbie, Alex controlled the ball, yet did it in a way that beat the keeper who had rushed up, and Alex calmly slotted the ball through the two defenders that were on him, while the rest of the teams stopped and stared. With such a positive start, we were looking to dominate. However, after having three goals scored against us, it looked like that was not to be the case. While we were down, we didn't quite think we were out, and when we were awarded a free kick, just over the half-way line, it looked like we could get back into the game. In a manner remarkably similar to the goal Alex scored earlier, Robbie placed the lobbed the ball to him, yet again the keeper rushed up, so Alex dived and volleyed the ball over the keeper's head. Despite the wonderful efforts of both Robbie and Alex, the ball just went over the bar. The rest of the game was in the balance, and so, yet again, we lost. Buoyed by the fact that we had actually scored, we were hoping for a good game against Cranbrook. We lost. And that was the pre-season.

With the beginning of the season, we thought we could turn around what had been up until then, a year with few highlights. We weren't getting too far ahead of ourselves, and hoping for a win, but we were determined to stop losing. Our first game was against Grammar. We had lost to them last year, but were hoping for them to be in a similar situation to us, with their team not so good. And with Reuben and Bill returning from 3rds and China respectively, we thought we had a pretty decent chance. We lost. A depleted team made sure we lost to Shore, despite the wonderful playing of a few guest stars. Then came St Ignatius. Iggies had been basically weak over the years earlier, so we had a really good chance against them. However, after going down by a goal, it didn't seem like our season was going to be getting better. But, after receiving a penalty, Bill calmly slotted the shot into the goal, despite diving keeper's fingertips doing their best to deny him. We then held on for the draw, after numerous assaults by Iggies. After our best result in the year, we thought that we could finally get a win against Joys. We lost.

Football



**16D Football**

**Back Row:** E. Luu, W. Shi, E. Yao, S. Chen, S. Zhang, M. Kim, T. Xia

**Front Row:** J. Luu, E. Deng, J. Leung, R. Yang (Captain), A. Wan, D. Tran, A. Iskander



**15A Football**

**Back Row:** T. Lindeback, D. Champion, A. Taylor, L. Street, D. Simpson, A. Leung, G. Lo

**Front Row:** I. Cerecina, D. Chiu, P. Locke (Captain), M. Spencer, S. Ting

## Football

Our next game was against Kings, who, in previous matches, had resorted to playing downright hard against us. That provided us with the fire to come out hard, and after some minor niggling, Bill was pushed from behind in the box. After Bill once again slotted the penalty, the game was in the balance. However, after receiving a dubious free kick just outside the box, the Kings kick-taker levelled the scores. Expectations for the game against Newington were higher than usual, after having our two best results for the season over the three games earlier. However, we lost. With Alex and Reuben being called up to 2nd Grade, our chances against Scots were looking thin. To get around losing two key players, we brought in five players: two 1st Grade players, an injured 2nd Grade player, and two A's rugby players who are competently skilled with a ball that bounces properly, we thought we had a darn good team, and just decided to basically take the game as light heartedly as possible without incurring the wrath of certain members of the soccer hierarchy. We lost, but we didn't really care.

We had had a pretty abysmal season, and it was a fun game.

I'd like to give a special mention to Adnan. He was our keeper, and just because we lost doesn't mean he isn't any good. He is an awesome keeper, and it's not his fault we lost.

### **The Players**

*Robbie Alchin (C), Adnan Husaini, Alex Lee, Nguyen Tran, Peter Malek, Reuben George, Bill Sun, Danny Wong, Michael Alim, Chapman Siu, Jeffery Xie.*

### **Robbie Alchin, Captain**

## 16C Football

What can one say about this season? By simply looking at the results it would appear as though this was not a very successful season, but when you look at the bigger picture you realise that the lads certainly did come a long way from that first trial game in Term I, where we lost 1-6 to Trinity, and where our goal scorer was William Shen, who was



### **15B Football**

**Back Row:** A. Ng, K. Sriranjana, A. Karunakaran (Captain), C. Cheung, M. Myronenko, M. Serban  
**Front Row:** M. Bock, K. Iyer, K. La, D. Vithanage, A. Yeung, D. Chandrakumar



**15C Football**

**Back Row:** A. Thomas, T. Mai, C. Yang, N. McDonnell, K. Vingnanasingam, P. Nguyen

**Front Row:** Z. Harrison-Tikisci (Captain), J. Huang, M. Coutts, B. Lee, P. Phuah

promoted to the Bs following that game anyway. The team was slowly narrowed down to 14 guys by the end of the fourth trial game.

By this stage we had had a nil-all draw against the St Andrews Bs, followed by a 1-4 loss to Newington in which we went ahead through Girish's penalty. And the final trial game was against Cranbrook to whom we lost 0-2.

So with the team all set and ready for the GPS season, we came up against a determined Grammar. Although we were perhaps slightly outplayed, the actual goal was controversial. Following that we played the first half with just 9 players against Shore and were definitely the better side but just couldn't convert any of the pressure into goals. Next was a completely different game against Riverview where we defended superbly and were thus very lucky to walk away with another nil-all draw.

With Joeys not fielding a team for us to play against we took on St Patrick's. Perhaps relaxing a little bit as

this was not a GPS opponent we went down 0-3. And then another nil- all draw followed against King's. Still not having scored in GPS games we were determined to get that maiden goal against Newington and it came through a superb strike from Leslie. However, we were not able to hold onto the points and conceded two quick goals in the last five minutes of the game. And so to the last game of the season where we came up against a Scots side who turned out to be perhaps the best opposition we played. We ended up going down 0-2, with both goals coming in the first half. With that said however, the lads played quite well in the second half to keep Scots out and actually created more opportunities than the opposition.

**Player profiles:**

Jacky Au: Generally played in the mids but would also often help out in defence; he was very reliable and would, every so often, produce something special on the wing.



**15D/E Football**

**Back Row:** L. Rahman (Coach), D. Cao (Coach), L. Burger, H. Chen, R. Ji, M. Desai, M. Rusli, R. Ratnayake, S. Luo, V. Wei (Coach), T. Uddin (Coach)

**Front Row:** M. Lee (Captain), N. Lieu, K. Wang, W. Nguyen, J. Ma, X. Zhai, H. Bhrugubanda

Mac Ba: Centre back who was not afraid to challenge and go in hard.

Radheshan Baskaran: Although not very big, he was a most reliable right back, and was much missed when not there.

Sabeeh Hussain: The most versatile player of the team, who never let an injury get in the way of giving it his all.

Timothy Iskander: When Tim came to the party he was hard to stop, unfortunately enjoying the game for Tim didn't necessarily involve having the desire to win.

David Kumagaya: An absolutely awesome sweeper who saved the team on countless occasions.

Zhongzhu Li: This is definitely a striker to watch. Had among the best ball control in the whole competition and was unlucky not to score on many occasions.

Edmond Lui: Quite a solid defender who wasn't afraid to use his body.

Girish Panicker (c): An extremely skilful player with a huge work ethic, was able to create something out of nothing numerous times.

Michael Shen: A striker who will make a good coach one day, produced an absolute pearler of a shot against Newington.

Ravi Somanchi: Great ball control but was let down by fitness.

Steven Song: Perhaps the most improved player of the lot.

Arthavan Surendran: A most able keeper who made numerous great saves and kept us in the game many times.

Leslie Wong: Would always produce some magic on that left wing.

The player's player of the season was David, with

Football



**14A Football**

**Back Row:** J. Ireland (Captain), D. Stojanovic, J. Chen, D. Peng, S. Shimada, M. Mikha  
**Front Row:** C. Chen, A. Tsialis, N. Street, K. Nguyen, S. Hoang



**14B Football**

**Back Row:** P. Desmond, M. Osinski, J. Park, D. Lo, J. Bell  
**Front Row:** J. Chan, S. Chin, M. Luchitti (Captain), V. Lim, N. Lindeback

Football



**14C Football**

**Back Row:** J. Tan, P. Holgate, M. Lau, B. Lau, J. Wong  
**Front Row:** D. Nguyen, B. Diep, A. Xie, R. Ahmed (Captain), K. Lim, T. Huda, T. Lim



**14D Football**

**Back Row:** W. Ma, B. Yang, V. Ung, L. Teng (Captain)  
**Front Row:** V. Lam, J. Li, T. Zhong, T. Siu, M. Dinh

## Football

Leslie and Girish coming in second and third respectively. Although not the most successful season, it was great coaching these boys and seeing how they matured as players.

Good luck with everything in the future!

**Max Kletski, Coach**

### 15C Football

The 2004 Dolan Cup champions started the new season on a high winning all four trial matches. Subsequently, five players were moved up to the Bs and As. In came Matthew, Jack, Paul and Keith.

Once again the boys played fast and entertaining soccer in the GPS matches winning four and drew two. In total, the team scored 52 goals and let in only 8. Along the way, the team also showed excellent teamwork and sportsmanship. They even helped the 15Ds to beat St Pats when a walkover was imminent. Bravo.

The outstanding players are Matthew and Ziggy but

every single player in the 15Cs can be proud of their achievements.

Finally, many thanks go to our coach Mian Wang, and also Mr Jones, for their support and encouragement throughout the whole season. Congratulations also to the new 2005 Dolan Cup Champions.

### 14A Football

The 14As came into the competition confident, after a good pre-season, only losing once. We went on to beat Grammar, definitely one of the strongest opposition teams we were to face. We then beat Shore 3-0, keeping our confidence levels high. But after our loss to Saint Ignatius', we seemed to lose our confidence. We went on to lose to King's, Newington and Scots. In all of the last three games, a poor start let us down. Although we always came out more determined, and played much better than our opponents in the second half, we still failed to get the goals we needed.



### 14E Football

**Back Row:** G. Zhang, A. Ang, A. Li

**Front Row:** M. Tong, N. Spoljaric, M. Feng, V. Khou, I. Yuan

Football



**13A Football**

**Back Row:** K. Taylor, S. Yoon, B. Encel, S. Darcy, T. Molloy, E. Hua

**Front Row:** B. Cabanilla, A. Ali, P. Simos, A. Paul (Captain), J. Liang, N. Adel, J. Braverman



**13B Football**

**Back Row:** R. Kamal, J. Sutton, D. Trang, A. Chiem, P. Radhakrishnan

**Front Row:** R. Ma, N. Slinko (Captain), M. Carr, S. Kim, M. Lee

## Football

### *Best and Fairest: Max Mikha and Jeremy Ireland*

The best and fairest was calculated by using a 3, 2, 1 scoring system at the end of each game. The best player of each match would get three points, the second best would get two, and the third best would get one. In the end, the two defenders Max and Jeremy tied with the most points.

### *Most improved: Shota Shimada*

Shota, originally coming up from the Cs at the start of the season, has improved greatly over the course of this year. He always played outstandingly and tried his hardest. He is very deserving of this award.

The highlight of the season was beating Grammar in the first round. After they beat us 0-9 last year, they had expected a walk-over.

Although we had a disappointing end to the season, every player always put in his best performance, and we know we can improve. I look forward to next year.

Thanks to Andy, our great coach. He was always good-

nated, even when we lost. Come back next year!

Lastly, a big thanks to Mr Morris, for his dedication in running High Football 2005.

### **Jeremy Ireland, Captain**

## **14B Football**

Overall this season has seen the 14Bs improve from last year's performance. The 14Bs won 4 games and lost 3. We ended on a 'high' note with a 3-1 win over Scots. The team played well and performed well throughout the season.

The most improved player goes to both Daniel Lo and Jarrod Chan who played consistently throughout the season. The best and fairest player for the season was Justin Park. Well done boys, thanks for our best season yet.

Thanks to Mr Morris for running soccer this winter and thanks to Mr Hayman and Schmack for their help in coaching the team this year.

### **Mark Lucchitti, Captain**



### **13C Football**

**Back Row:** B. Li, A. Liu (Captain), N. Wang, M. Tugnait, V. Vo, C. Jiang

**Front Row:** C. Nguyen, M. Phung, B. Cheung, V. Goh, J. Ding, S. Silveira, J. Ubaldi

Football



**13D Football**

**Back Row:** C. Wong, J. Pham, E. Qiu, B. Wang, M. Castillo, W. Lee

**Front Row:** H. Vi, D. Ma (Captain), M. Li, C. Tin-Loi

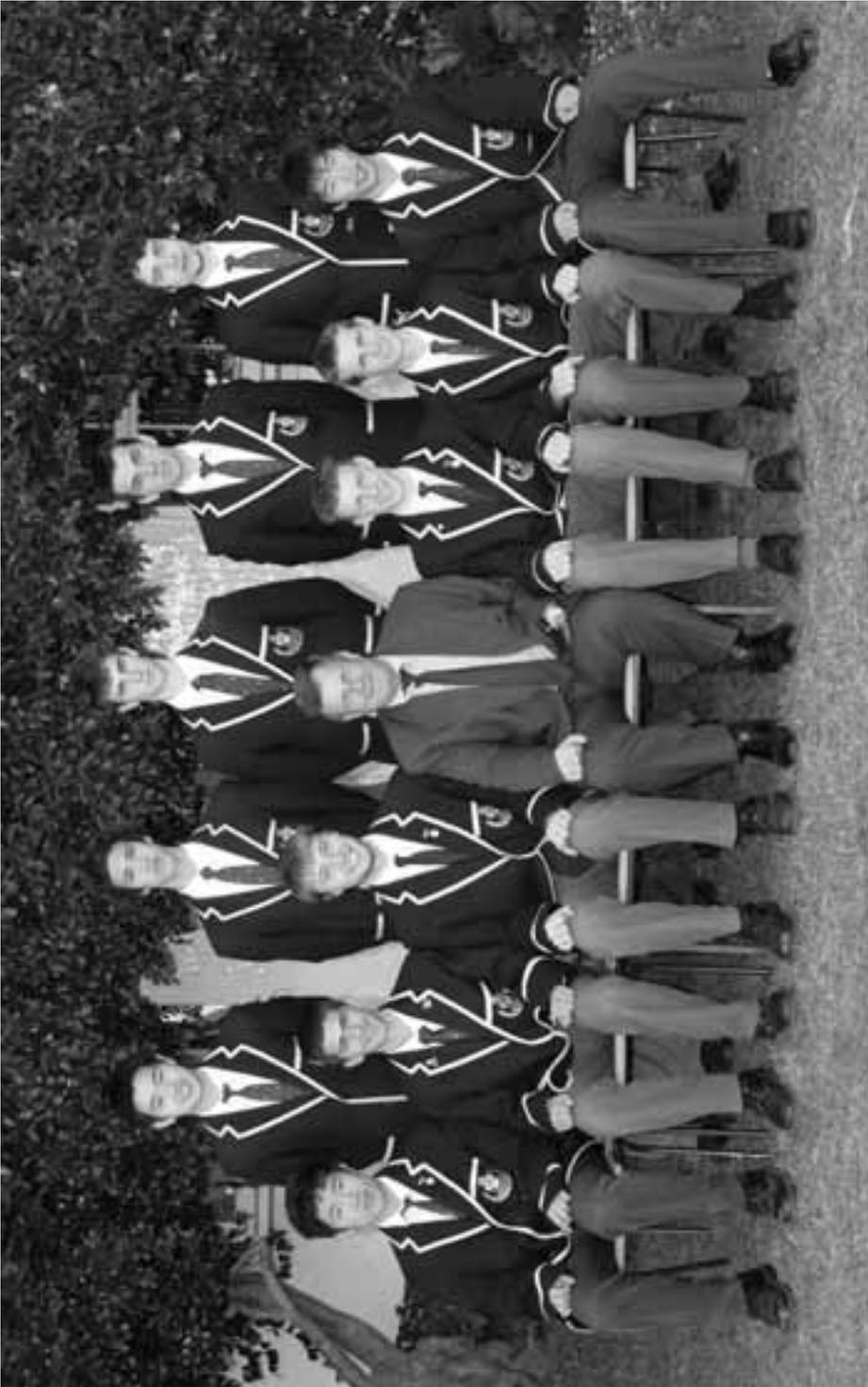


**13E Football**

**Back Row:** T. Davenport, L. Wang, D. Ma, D. Tran, D. Huang

**Front Row:** J. Lam, D. Yan, B. Wang, H. Vi, M. Castillo

# Cross Country



## ***First Grade Country***

**Back Row:** A. Wu, A. Reis, A. Farrow-Palmer, A. Szabo, E. Ovadia  
**Front Row:** J. Chen, A. Amin, J. James, Dr K. A. Jaggar (Principal), P. Watzlaff (Captain), J. Barker, D. Sun  
**Absent:** S. Dobrinsky

## Cross Country Report

Sydney High Cross Country for 2005 boasted perhaps the best depth in runners that High has had in many years. With such depth High achieved many great results in both the GPS and CHS throughout the season.

The depth of cross country at the start of the season was highlighted by the results from the zone cross country meet at Centennial Park with 13 out of the first 14 runners being from High in the combined U17s and Opens race. From these runners a further four runners made it through to state, those being James Barker and Paul Watzlaff in the U17s, and Jeremy James and Edward Ovidia in the Opens. Both the U17s and Open teams narrowly missing out on representing the region at state. Also James Barker ran an outstanding seventh place, which helped him to be selected to represent New South Wales at the National championships.

The GPS season was however not quite as successful as the CHS season with good performances needed at all nine races to rival the other teams. The start of the season saw a promising fourth place finish by the High team at our own invitational in Centennial Park. As the season wore on it became harder and harder to keep the momentum going with a couple a injuries occurring at the most inconvenient times. Still many of the runners kept improving with every meet and consistently trained to achieve better results and unsurprisingly they did. A couple of names that I would like to mention for their outstanding effort and dedication throughout the season were David Grech, James Chen, Edward Ovidia, James Barker and vice captain Jeremy James. I also hope that James Barker continues his impressive form to go into next year as a serious contender for the individual GPS title.

The season for me was disappointing due to a struggle with injuries throughout the majority of the season while at the same time a privilege to be part of such a friendly team. None of which would

have been possible without the dedication and sacrifice of Mr Prorellis, Mr Kesting, and all the parents who helped throughout the season. It was truly an honour to be Captain for High Cross Country 2005.

### Paul Watzlaff, Captain



**14 Years Cross Country**  
*E. Zorilla-Montoya, I. Bapat*



**Open Cross Country**

**Third Row:** A. Chan, M. Zhou, A. Reis, A. Farrow-Palmer, A. Szabo, E. Ovadia

**Second Row:** R. Huynh, A. Wu, K. Liu, J. Chen, D. Sun, J. Murray, J. Barker, K. Fung

**Front Row:** H. Chen, A. Amin, J. James, P. Watzlaff, H. S. Chung, P. Tran, D. Wong

**Absent:** S. Dobrinsky

# Rifle Shooting



**First Grade Rifle Shooting ~ GPS Co-Premiers**

**Back Row:** C. Lam, C. Budd, J. Scharfegger, S. Singaraya

**Front Row:** J. Banh, P. Gordon (Captain), Dr. K. Jaggar (Principal), M. Li, B. Tseng

## **First Grade Rifle Shooting**

Sydney High Rifle Shooting suffered a great loss at the beginning of 2005. Our MIC Mr John Fittler tragically passed away and left us without a replacement. We were all shocked at such a sudden death and it appeared that shooting at High was finished. However, much hard work by Parents, Old Boys and the Principal allowed us to field both a Second and First grade team at the 2005 GPS shoot in July.

The Principal, Dr. Jaggar and Nathan Scudder (1993), one of the significant old boys working to gather a team, decided to employ two old boys to coach the team while a Master-in-Charge was found. These two old boys were Justin Hill (2002) and Daniel Comben (2003). Justin and Daniel coached the team on Saturday mornings during Term 2 and organised the pre-GPS training camp in the second week of the holidays. Their final and most important contribution was to organise Sydney High's participation in the GPS shoot on 19 and 20 July at the Hornsby Rifle Range. They organised the teams' equipment, coaching and the many administrative issues that the competition creates. They could not have done this without the help of old boys Kevin Chan, Mr Nathan Scudder and teacher in charge Mr Sam Mason.

On Wednesdays a different set of people were employed to guide the team. Mr Doug Fergusson, a previous Master-in-Charge of shooting oversaw training and with the help of Mr Mason, and Mr Peter Wrigley and Mr Andy Brown of Woollahra Rifle Club, drastically improved our shooting in a very short time. Great thanks need to go to these people because they gave up their Wednesdays at very short notice and were extremely happy to help the team.

The Saturday prior to the GPS was the All Schools Competition at Malabar in which teams of five compete from a range of different schools. With the top five experienced shooters entering as Sydney High's main contenders we were pleasantly surprised by second place. Only beaten by an extremely strong Shore school team, the top Sydney High shooters had struggled through their training to be possible contenders at the GPS shoot.

At the GPS competition, The Armidale School Rifle Club, New England Girls School Target Rifle Club and the Shore School Rifle Club were all looking out for us as we struggled through our biggest challenge. Whether it be congratulations after a good shoot, technical or coaching advice, these groups all helped make the task slightly easier. The first shoot saw the First Grade team hold second place, which was a surprise and great achievement. However, the next few ranges were not as promising.

On the last afternoon of the GPS shoot, a parting shot was organised by Mr David Rose, shooting master of the New England Girls School, in remembrance of John Fittler. The shot was fired by Sydney High Rifle Club Captain and First Grade shooter, Peter Gordon, and was followed by a minute's silence. This was a very important moment as it was a time to recognise John Fittler's enormous contribution to GPS Rifle Shooting.

I feel it was an achievement to hold a final fourth position among the well-drilled teams of the other GPS schools as well as gaining two places on the GPS combined shooting team (Sanjiv Singarayar and Chris Budd). I can only attribute this performance to high spirit, the commitment of the team members, and the commitment of the people who have supported the team.

**Peter Gordon**  
**Club Captain 2005**

*Rifle Shooting*



***Second Grade Rifle Shooting***

***Back Row:*** A. Shapilsky, J. Yuen, A. Skariah, T. Mazid

***Front Row:*** P. Wu, M. Vu, A. Ho

Rifle Shooting



# Fencing



**First Grade Fencing**  
D. Chen, A. Kogan, A. Knoll, S. Domeshek

## Fencing

In 2005, the administration of fencing was changed with the introduction of a more disciplined structure to the sport.

Some students were not prepared for this change in culture and withdrew from the sport, thereby weakening our representative teams.

Nevertheless, the representative first grade team competed in the State Competition.

In the individual State competition, Yu Lin, Year 10, placed 23rd.

The schools league became the main goal for our 2005 campaign. The first grade gold team consisting of Lixang Li, Avi Knoll, Stan Domeshek and David

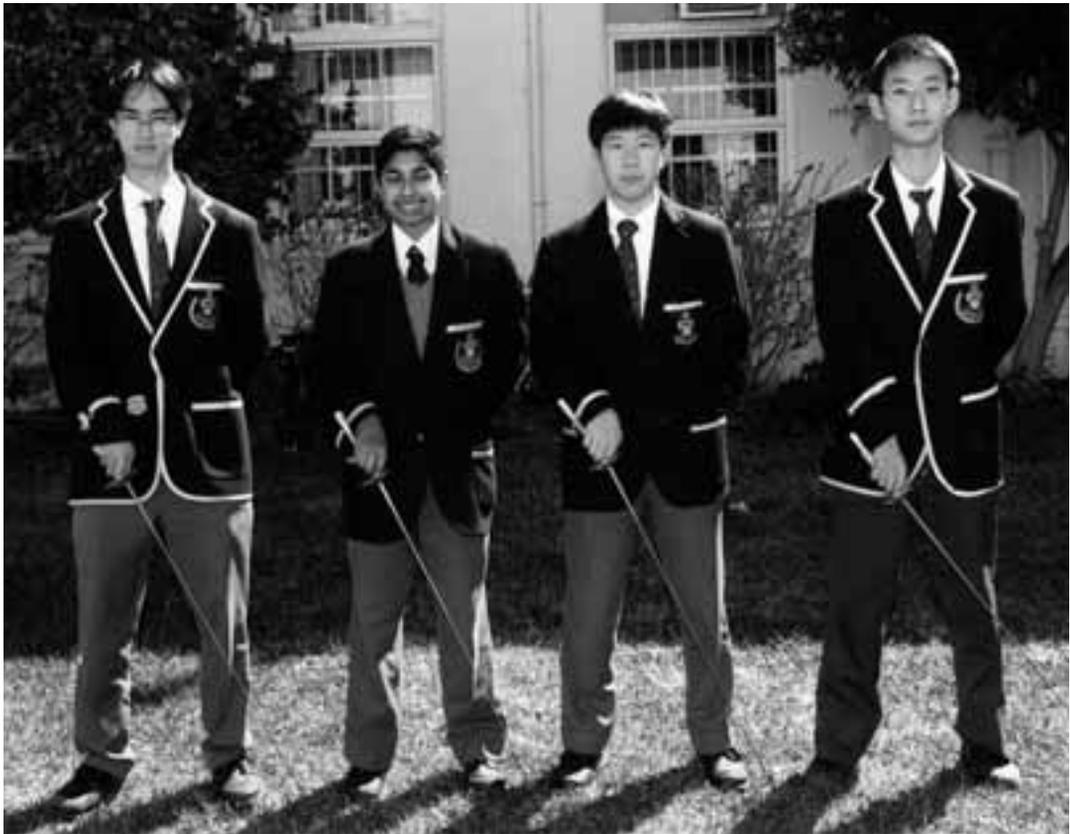
Chen, after mixed results within the team, placed 15th overall in the competition, and did not continue to the finals. The green team placed 16th in the same division.

The most pleasing result was that of the SBHS Blue team placing 4th in the B division. The team, consisting of Patrick Duffy, Amadeus Klocker and Yu Lin, should be a force to reckon with in times to come. SBHS Black in the same division finished a promising 10th overall.

The best performers in this league were Lixang Li and Yu Lin.

This sums up a challenging year for Fencing at Sydney Boys High in 2005, which has proved to be the year of many changes.

### Lixang Li, Captain First Grade



### Second Grade Fencing

*K. Amilbanga, R. Abey Suriya, A. Cheng, S. Guo*



***Junior Fencing***

***Back Row:*** S. Yuen, F. Lee, J. Hsiao, A. Clune, G. Wang, S. Sathiakumar, A. Klocker, (D. Blaxell)  
***Second Row:*** P. Hsiao, D. Tran, J. Byrnes, M. Phillis, A. Lai, J. Cao, A. Ghose, Y. Lin, T. Mak, C. McKay  
***Front Row:*** J. Aclis, H. Zhuang, H. Schilling, G. Chan, B. Jian, P. Hung, J. Toohey, M. Sin, L. Tan

# Skiing



## ***Ski Team***

***Back Row:*** H. Frisoli, R. Alchin, E. Curran, N. Balashov, J. Tiedgen, S. Cunningham, A. Klocker  
***Front Row:*** M. Ling, B. Prentice-Davidson, V. Issaev, N. Slinko, J. Whiting, J. Coppa, H. Walker

# Volleyball



**First Grade Volleyball ~ CHS Knockout Champions**

**Back Row:** F. Balgahom, T. Ly, D. Grimm, B. Zhang, M. Zhou

**Front Row:** V. Nguyen, K. Kruszelnicki, Dr K. Jaggar (Principal), Y. Doran (Captain), Mr M. Kay (Coach), A. Le, J. Tao

## First Grade Volleyball

With just about the entire team from the previous year backing up, and the acquisition of some new players, 2005 looked a pretty ripe year for High First Grade Volleyball. The season began early Term 1 with the regional round of the CHS knockout. The few matches we played at the beginning of the year were used to get the rust out of our systems, and to try to get close to our best. Around the time that we won the regional round of the CHS, the GPS competition kicked off, beginning with a much improved and fired up Newington team. Despite this improvement, High still managed to easily account for Newington, as well as Scots, Riverview, and a below strength Grammar.

During the break in the GPS season, High focused back on the CHS State Knockout, held at Sydney Olympic Park. We had placed a disappointing sixth the previous year but we had our eyes set on the trophy. The first round saw us play Balgowlah Boys, which included the runner up MVP of a previous state competition. The team aimed for consistency with nothing fancy, pulling us through in straight sets. In the quarter-finals we met an old rival of ours, Nowra. A match between us always brings out the best in both teams, and this one did not disappoint. With careful play, and some finely timed sledging from Karl Kruszelnicki, High overcame the beast in the fifth set of a marathon that reached well over two hours.

The next day we came up against Airs High in the semis. A relatively unknown team, we had no idea what they would pull out. Once again our team was fired up, and once again we won in the fifth set. The final was eventually fought with Westfields, the team that had knocked us out the previous year, and the team that beat us in the final in 1999. Everyone lifted in this match playing some of the best volleyball we've played, and managed to cripple the opposition in four very tense sets. A special mention should go to Terry Ly and Dom Grimm, who lifted especially for the occasion and delivered some very timely points. This win gave us our first ever CHS title.

The next term, we once again focused on winning the GPS as well. The next three rounds went much like the first, with wins over Newington, Scots and Riverview. The Grammar match was a different story. A full strength team gave the High boys a very strong run for their money, taking us to the wire in

five sets. In accordance with our previous matches, everyone keep their cool, watching Grammar crumble under the pressure. The set and match was won and High took their second consecutive undefeated GPS championship.

Our final performance of the regular season was in the NSW State Schools Cup. Due to the trial HSC, most of the team had not trained for weeks before this; furthermore many of the others were playing in their age divisions, severely depleting the first grade team. Nevertheless High managed to scrounge a team together, and with the help of many younger players first grade defeated Westfields in the final. This capped off a year that saw Sydney High become undefeated in the CHS, GPS and state schools championship.

Many thanks go to every person who played with us, and especially to our coach Mr Kay, and Mr Parker, who worked tirelessly to run what has become a very strong volleyball program, which is bound to continue.

**Yaegan Doran**  
**Captain of Volleyball**

## Second Grade Volleyball

High Second Grade Volleyball for 2005 saw a whole new breed of volleyball players. The team consisted of David Dizon, Ed Leong, Stephen Dong, Jordan Luong, Henry Dang, Balraj Hansra, George Shieh, Gary Chan, Wei Ping Liu, and Sam Chhor as captain.

The positions filled were: Gary, Jordan and Sam as outside hitters; Henry, Balraj, George and Wei Ping as middle blockers and Ed as setter with Stephen and David playing as universal.

As volleyball was only introduced as an unofficial GPS sport 2003, there were still only five teams in the competition. They were Saint Ignatius' College, Scots College, Newington College, Sydney Grammar and Sydney High.

The team played very well together and worked very well as a team, despite the fact that very few of the players were friends with each other outside of volleyball. Although some of the players were new to the concept of volleyball, they lifted their standards and played exceptionally well for their experience level as a second grade player – this was mainly due to the enthusiasm and diligence in training.

## Volleyball

The GPS competition this year consisted of a double round robin in which High played extremely well, noting the fact that a few of the players were new to volleyball. The only team that was considered as a threat to us was Grammar, who put up a decent fight in the first round, though we managed to beat them 3-0 sets.

Throughout the competition, the team only dropped two sets, which were both conceded in the last game of the tournament against Grammar, who managed to improve their team within the few

weeks. Besides this, we had managed to win all games in straight sets, 3-0, which is a very good accomplishment.

High Second Grade Volleyball had an excellent season, only dropping 2 sets out of 26 played. The players grew closer to each other throughout the season, forming a closely-knit bunch. The team went through the GPS competition undefeated, making us GPS Undefeated Premiers! A big pat on the back to all the boys for a job well done.

**Sam Chhor, Captain**



### **Second Grade Volleyball**

**Back Row:** Mr P. Parker (Coach), G. Shih, W. Lu

**Front Row:** J. Luong, G. Chan, S. Chhor, S. Dong, D. Dizon

Volleyball



**17 Years Volleyball**

**Back Row:** Mr M. Kay (Coach), A. Le, T. Ly, W. Lu, V. Nguyen  
**Front Row:** J. Luong, A. Lee, J. Tao, S. Chhor, D. Dizon



**16 Years Volleyball**

**D. Chim, J. Shih, D. Ng, W. Trac, P. Du, Z. Mancenido, Mr M. Kay (Coach)**

Volleyball



**15 Years Volleyball**

**Back Row:** T. Nguyen, S. Dong, S. Wan, T. Wilson, D. Shan, S. Ke, M. Wong, R. Mitra

**Front Row:** M. Chan, S. He, M. Chan, S. Zhang, J. Lee, N. Abey Suriya, D. Lam

# List of Officers

	<b>Headmaster</b>	<b>Captain</b>	<b>President OBU</b>	<b>President P&amp;C</b>
1883	J. Waterhouse			
1884 (1)	J. Coates	F.W. Doak		
1885	J. Coates	G.C. Saxby		
1886	J. Coates	G.C. Saxby		
1887	J. Coates	F.W. Doak		
1888	J. Coates	P.J. Pratt		
1889	J. Coates	A.B. Davies	OLD BOYS UNION	
1890	J. Coates	J.P. Wood	Founded 13 June 1892	
1891	J. Coates	H.S. Dettmann		
1892	J. Coates	H.S. Dettmann	J. Coates	
1893	J. Coates	W.G. Forsyth	J. Coates	
1894	J. Coates	W.G. Forsyth	J. Coates	
1895	J. Coates	F.A. Todd		
1896	J. Waterhouse	F.A. Todd	The OBU lapsed in 1895, due	
		J.P.V. Madsen	to the reduced enrolment in	
1897	J. Waterhouse	F.A. Todd	the School and a subsequent	
1898	J. Waterhouse	O.U. Vonwiller	lack of former pupils to take	
1899	J. Waterhouse	O.A.A. Diethelm	up Union positions. The OBU	
		C. St. L. Willis	was reformed on 11 August,	
1900	J. Waterhouse	C.E. Weatherburn	1902 under A.M. Eedy.	
		A.M. Levick		
1901	J. Waterhouse	G.L. Tomlinson		
1902	J. Waterhouse	W.E.T. Porter	A. M. Eedy	
1903	J. Waterhouse	H.S. Utz	P. J. Pratt	
1904	J. Waterhouse	H.S. Utz	C. H. Cooke	
1905	J. Waterhouse	A.S. Walker	Prof. O. U. Vonwiller	
1906	J. Waterhouse	R.C. Blumer	R. C Forsyth	
1907	J. Waterhouse	W.R. Brown	C. M. Drew	
1908	J. Waterhouse	A.L. Buchanan	G. C Saxby	
1909	J. Waterhouse	J.G.M. Beale	C. A. Fairland	
1910 (2)	J. Waterhouse	C. G. McDonald	Prof. F. A. Todd	
1911	J. Waterhouse	O. D. Oberg	P. S. Hunt	
		J. R. Nield		
		E. J. Saxby		
1912	J. Waterhouse	F. Wootton	G. C. Saxby	
1913	J. Waterhouse	G. J. M. Saxby	A. Bohrsman	
		W. S. Patterson		
1914	J. Waterhouse	J. Woodhouse	A. G. Henderson	
1915	J. Waterhouse	C. E. Brake	A. G. Henderson	
1916	R. J. Hinder	A. W. W. Gray	W. G. Lewes	
1917	R. J. Hinder	T. H. Henry	E. J. Hooke	
1918	R. J. Hinder	F. E. Stayner	E. J. Hooke	
1919 (3)	C. R. Smith	G. B. Morris	H. K. Prior	
1920	C. R. Smith	K. M. McCredie	H. K. Prior	
1921	C. R. Smith	S. J. Burt	L. F Watt	
1922	C. R. Smith	A. Underhill	L. F Watt	
1923	C. R. Smith	E. M. Henry	W. W. Vick	
1924	C. R. Smith	S. C. King	A. M. Eedy	

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1925	G. C. Saxby	E. L. Pilkington	R. T. McKay	Rev H.E. Hulme
1926	G. C. Saxby	K. C. Hardy	R. T. McKay	Rev H.E. Hulme
1927	G. C. Saxby	L. W. Hepper	R. T. McKay	Rev H.E. Hulme
1928	G. C. Saxby	B. Gardiner	A. M. Eedy	Rev H.E. Hulme
				A.R. Sullivan
1929	G. C. Saxby	J. L. Still	W. J. Cleary	A.R. Sullivan
1930	G. C. Saxby	T. P. Pauling	O. A. A. Diethelm	A.R. Sullivan
1931	G. C. Saxby	E. W. Hyman	O. A. A. Diethelm	A.R. Sullivan
1932	G. C. Saxby	R. L. McKinnon	H. F. Halloran	A.R. Sullivan
1933	G. C. Saxby	A. W. Horner	S. A. Smith	A.R. Sullivan
1934	F. McMullen	F. B. Horner	S. A. Smith	A. Horner
1935	F. McMullen	J. Maxwell	C. G. McDonald	A. Horner
1936	J. H. Killip	H. Turk	C. G. McDonald	H.B. Edwards
1937	J. H. Killip	K. J. Oram	G. F. Diamond	H.B. Edwards
1938	J. H. Killip	R. Higham	Judge J. R. Nield	E.H. Oliver
				H.B. Edwards
1939	J. H. Killip	N. Docker	Judge J. R. Nield	H.B. Edwards
1940	J. H. Killip	R. Loton	Dr G. Hardwicke	R.S. Betty
1941	J. H. Killip	N. McInnes	C. N. Hirst	R.S. Betty
1942	J. H. Killip	J. Dexter	C. N. Hirst	R.S. Betty
1943	J. H. Killip	E. Swinbourne	E. Pye	R.S. Betty
1944	J. H. Killip	A. Hodge	Dr G. Hardwicke	R.S. Betty
1945	J. H. Killip	K. Cross	Dr G. Hardwicke	R.S. Betty
1946	J. H. Killip	P. Turner	Dr G. Hardwicke	R.S. Betty
1947	J. H. Killip	B. Thiering	Major D. J. Duffy	B.R. White
1948	J. H. Killip	N. Pearce	Major D. J. Duffy	B.R. White
1949	J. H. Killip	R. Morrow	A. R. Beveridge	B.R. White
1950	J. H. Killip	J. Agnew	A. R. Beveridge	B.R. White
1951	J. H. Killip	J. Thronett	K. C. Cameron	W.B. Nehl
1952	G. Barr	V. Littlewood	K. C. Cameron	W.B. Nehl
1953	G. Barr	M. Stuart	P. G. Saywell	A.G. Leroy
1954	G. Barr	C. Chamberlain	A. R. Callaway	T.W. Rushall
1955	K. J. Andrews	W. Summers	A. R. Callaway	T.W. Rushall
1956	K. J. Andrews	R. May	A. R. Callaway	T.W. Rushall
1957	K. J. Andrews	K. Rubie	Col D. J. Duffy	T.W. Rushall
1958	K. J. Andrews	P. R. Phillips	Col D. J. Duffy	T.W. Rushall
1959	K. J. Andrews	W. Young	Col D. J. Duffy	M.R. Wills
1960	K. J. Andrews	A. Cairns	A. Ferguson	M.R. Wills
1961	K. J. Andrews	J. Coleman	A. Ferguson	M.R. Wills
1962	K. J. Andrews	F. Conner	A. Ferguson	J.H. Levi
1963	K. J. Andrews	R. McKay	W. McMurray	J.H. Levi
1964	M. R. Callaghan	N. Stamell	W. McMurray	J.H. Levi
1965	M. R. Callaghan	N. Morgan	C. E. H. Rubie	W.F. Halliday
1966	M. R. Callaghan	J. Isaacs	C. E. H. Rubie	W.F. Halliday
1967	M. R. Callaghan	J. Isaacs	A. F. Deer	W.F. Halliday
1968	M. R. Callaghan	D. Luxford	A. F. Deer	R.A. Blomberg
1969	M. R. Callaghan	A. Tzannes	The Hon Sir G. Wallace	R.A. Blomberg
1970	M. R. Callaghan	J. Ehrlich	The Hon Sir G. Wallace	R.A. Blomberg
1971	M. R. Callaghan	D. Blomberg	Judge K. Torrington	R.H. Stracey
1972	M. R. Callaghan	R. Middleton	Judge K. Torrington	N.R. Frumar
1973	M. R. Callaghan	N.S. McGill	Sir B. Sugerman	N.R. Frumar
1974	G. J. Bradford	G. Hill	Sir B. Sugerman	N.R. Frumar

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1975	G. J. Bradford	N. Green	Prof. S. Livingstone	Dr P.A. Musgrove
1976	G. J. Bradford	S. Marquet	Prof. S. Livingstone	Dr P.A. Musgrove
1977	R. Outterside	B. Ramsay	Prof. S. Livingstone	Dr P.A. Musgrove
1978	R. Outterside	T. Musgrove	Brig. E. S. Swinbourne	Dr P.A. Musgrove
1979	R. Outterside	G. Anderson	Brig. E. S. Swinbourne	Prof C. Phipps
1980	R. Outterside	M. Wieland	Dr P. A. Musgrove	Prof C. Phipps
1981	R. Outterside	G. Warren	Dr P. A. Musgrove	Prof C. Phipps
1982	R. Outterside	G. Webb	B. H. Pyke	Prof C. Phipps
1983	R. Outterside	M. Aikman	B. H. Pyke	Prof C. Phipps
1984	R. Outterside	M. Adams	B. H. Pyke	T. Lynam
1985	R. Outterside	M. Ward	B. H. Pyke	T. Meakin
1986	R. Outterside	C. Lynam	Dr J. M. Challen	T. Meakin
1987	R. Outterside	T. Walker	Dr J. M. Challen	T. Meakin
1988	R. Outterside	A. Magro	B. H. Pyke	T. Meakin
1989	R. Outterside	C. Aitken	M. Aikman	T. Meakin
1990	R. Outterside	G. Main	M. Aikman	T. Meakin
1991	R. Outterside	A. Abrahams	R. Mitchell	V. Moschione
1992	R.J.Stratford	J. Isaacs	R. Mitchell	V. Moschione
1993	R.J.Stratford	S. Mohideen	MajGen J. Norrie	S. Kritzler
1994	R.J.Stratford	D. Eysers	MajGen J. Norrie	P. Whyte
1995	R.J.Stratford	A. Lamb	MajGen J. Norrie	P. Whyte
1996	R.J.Stratford	P. Lyons	MajGen J. Norrie	K. Loblay
1997	R.J.Stratford	K. Robinson	MajGen J. Norrie	K. Loblay
1998	R.J.Stratford	J. Stern	MajGen J. Norrie	J. Kaldor
1999	R.J.Stratford	A. Liu	N. Scudder	D. Briggs
2000	K.A.Jaggar	J.S. Boag	N. Scudder	D. Briggs
2001	K.A.Jaggar	N. Armstrong	J. Goddard	D. Briggs
2002	K.A.Jaggar	M. Nam	J. Goddard	D. Briggs
2003	K.A. Jaggar	H. James	J. Goddard	P. Girdler
2004	K.A. Jaggar	T. Miller	J. Goddard	P. Girdler
2005	K.A. Jaggar	D. Fonseka	M. Livingston	S. Brown

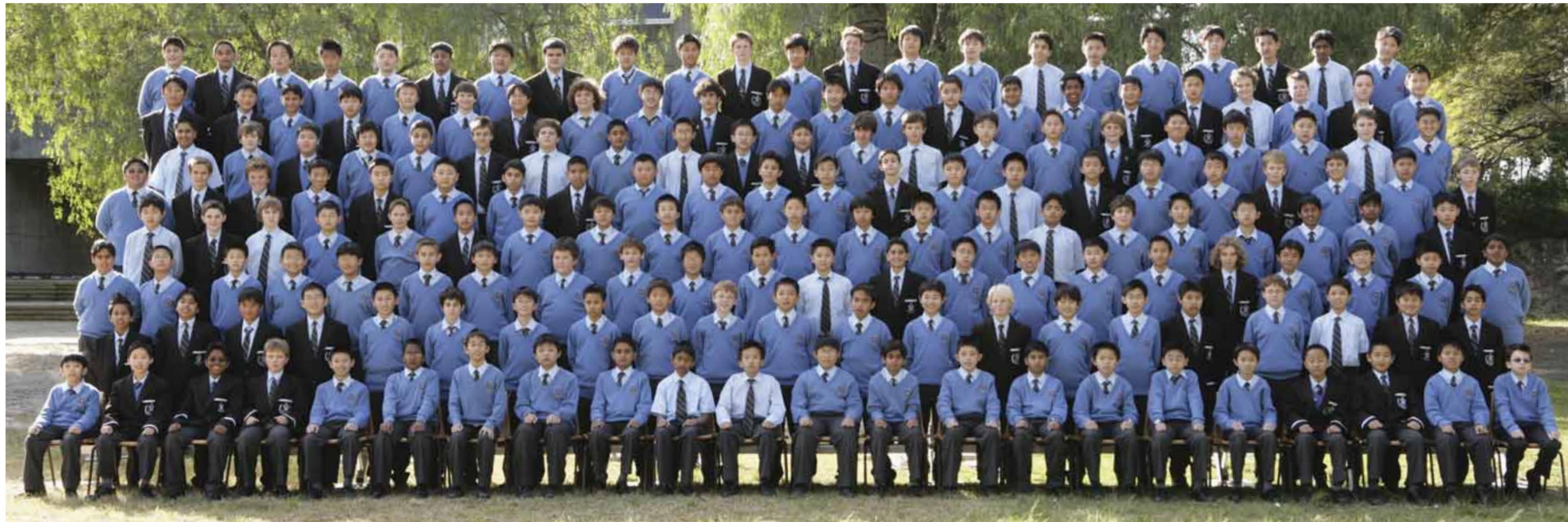
[1] From 1884-1919 the dux was known as captain of the school.

[2] The prefect system was introduced in 1910.

From 1910 to 1919, the equivalent of the present School Captain was called the Senior Prefect.

[3] The title of Senior Prefect was changed to Captain in 1920.





**Year 7 2005**

**Back Row:** J.Hajj, M.Tugnait, L.Wang, S.Yoon, Z.Guo, D.Sreetharan, D.Kim, L.Chant, R.Bi, D.Trang, B.O'Rourke, A.Feng, A.Paul, M.Wang, A.Saunders, J.Bastable, J.Gao, D.Ma, M.Li, J.Liang, A.Kugendran, K.Wu.  
**Seventh Row:** F.Li, T.Wang, A.Ghose, E.Sun, T.Li, B.Encel, N.Nguyen, J.Sutton, D.Gu, M.Phillis, J.Nguyen, I.Lu, B.Chen, W.Gwyn, N.Chowdhury, S.Ali, N.Wang, J.Jiang, C.Umbers, T.Davenport, D.Paperny, A.Ho.  
**Sixth Row:** S.Kumar, J.Macefield, A.Low, K.Sheng, M.Taleb, M.Ambrose, G.Denny-Smith, H.Karunakaran, E.Qiu, K.Su, A.Banh, S.Darcy, K.Taylor, J.Lee, J.Lee, A.Blomberg, J.Chen, Y.Liu, T.Tran, C.McKay, M.Zhang.  
**Fifth Row:** J.Pharm, M.Carr, J.Whiting, A.Guo, H.Lu, D.Zhang, S.Sandhu, M.Moreno, B.Wang, V.Vo, W.Santucci, L.Li, J.Aclis, P.Hsiao, A.Ng, J.Han, P.Lai, A.Liu, N.Slinko, L.Gordon, J.Vu, H.Schilling.  
**Fourth Row:** E.Sun, J.Toohy, D.Smith-Light, R.Lu, V.Boulavine, V.Goh, D.Yan, D.Chen, A.Xie, B.Kelly, C.Jiang, J.Chan, A.Zhang, G.Niu, A.Ramesh, R.Cohn, S.Yung, B.Yan, J.Nair, V.Mohan, R.Lin.  
**Third Row:** A.Chawla, M.Zhang, A.Chim, M.Do, B.Khuu, G.Shargorodsky, M.Fong, O.Fio, J.Braverman, M.Lee, T.Xiao, M.Phung, P.Simos, H.Zhuang, C.Wong, J.Ding, B.Li, T.Molloy, E.Hui, J.Lam, A.Gou, T.Silveira.  
**Second Row:** R.Sivasubramaniam, P.Baweja, B.Cabanilla, C.Tin-Loi, J.Poon, B.Soroka, L.Liu, W.Lee, R.Ma, J.Wormell, D.Tran, J.Castillo, H.Vi, G.Deacon, C.Nguyen, E.Wong, J.Du, J.Ubaldi, I.Li, S.Kim, N.Adel.  
**Front Row:** K.Zheng, B.Jian, R.Kamal, D.McCrae-Steele, E.Wong, K.Perera, D.Luo, A.Lau, A.George, A.Parneswaran, H.Huang, H.Tran, P.Radhakrishnan, W.Wan, A.Thyagaraju, B.Ly, C.Chau, E.Feng, A.Tran, A.Wu, D.Huang, A.Gabo.



**Year 12 2005**

**Back Row:** J.Young, R.Sangha, A.Parthasarathy, M.Ridan Ul Bari, R.Vidali, R.Yoganathan, I.Zak, S.Cradock, S.Mitsuji, D.Bodrozic, J.Scharfegger, D.Grimm, K.Kruszelnicki, B.Wrench, P.Watzlaff, I.Kwok, A.Vairav, P.Tripp, J.Gough, W.Kwok, J.Tsao, B.Mansra, CV.Tran, L.Li, J.Yuen.

**Sixth Row:** L.Zhang, S.Singh, M.Lou, P.Gordon, M.Alam, N.Poranek, M.Taylor, Y.Doran, I.Dakdouk, J.Holloway, O.Delaruelle, D.Clayton, W.Clegg, A.Tiedgen, T.Mainprize, N.Roucek, D.Thomas, J.Sun, J.James, J.Brown, J.Phung, V.Domni, R.Pereira, J.Ninyo, A.Rajasekera, V.George, A.Zinzopoulos, P.Marciniak.

**Fifth Row:** P.Pereira, B.Zhang, B.Lopez, J.Zhao, S.Prabakaran, V.De Silva, R.Phung, Y.He, W.Xu, G.Pasupathy, T.Sharpe, S.Dobrinisky, G.McManus, E.Ovadia, R.Kumar, V.Talluri, C.Tran, D.Palana, J.Phan, W.Hong, P.Tung, C.Yong, R.Guo, V.Desai, A.Sarkar, A.Islam, J.Ha, D.Choi, C.Halls.

**Fourth Row:** F.Balgahom, K.Wong, J.Kang, G.Fong, J.Lee, T.Wei, K.Liu, W.Lu, D.Greenup, M.Thai, M.Steen, R.Qian, H.Lee, M.Kim, R.Shi, J.Wang, V.Ng, A.Dam, T.Chan, B.Ly, N.Li, J.Wang, K.Xue, E.Leong, T.Mittelheuser, L.Cheung, M.Seow, S.Xue.

**Third Row:** H-S.Chung, B.Poon, R.Yu, D.Yang, H.Neo, M.Nguyen, I.Nomchong, K.Shi, D.Dou, A.Cohen, D.Qi, S.Wickramasinghe, R.Lu, J.Chen, N.Bull, A.Skariah, R.Kouchak, N.Frazi, C.Chen, G.Gutnik, J.Kraindler, M.Li, A.Wu, B.Nham, E.Wang, J.Jong, L-B.Hua, J.Du, V.Sirinopakul.

**Second Row:** P.Wong, W.Lester, D.Grech, B.Stamati, P.Huang, W.Zhang, W.Wong, R.Siu, C.Yang, H.Chen, J.Fan, J.Kwok, J.Zhou, R.Amion, T.Ali, D.Tran, D.Guo, P.Tian, J.Xie, J.Fong, R.Lam, J.Chan, M.Wang, A.Vithanage, R.Mounarath, A.Chau, S.Puthi, H.Chan.

**Front Row:** G.Ngan, G.Ngo, J.Cheung, J.Zhang, S.Kumar, A.Hwan, T.Zhang, R.Yao, J.Han, A.Syed, P.Kariawasam, S.Singarayar, J.Stretton (Senior Prefect), T.Kaldor (Vice-Captain), D.Fonseka (Captain), Ms B.Berger (Year Adviser), P.Zhang, D.Ong, N.Mostafa, M.Samaraweera, C.Liang, R.Jiang, S.Karunaratne, V.Patel, D.Wong, S.Mani, M.Khalil, C.So, S.Domeshok.