



## From the Principal

### Values Convocation September 23

Last Saturday at the Outterside Centre a group of 18 people representing staff, students, parent Year groups, the P & C, the Foundation, the School Council and the Old Boys Union, spent the day discussing the values that we would like our exiting High boys to hold dear. After an introductory scene setting by our Old boy facilitator, Trevor Wootten, we asked ourselves what exit behaviours would the idealised High boy exhibit and how those behaviours would reflect the nine values of Australian schooling. It is not so easy to align exit behaviours with values. Three groups discussed these matters and recorded their findings. After a good lunch, the groups addressed the issue of how the desired exit behaviours were nurtured by the existing educational philosophy, policies, programs and processes of the school. Even more difficult were the questions: who takes responsibility for the effectiveness of these policies and programs and what sanctions exist for those who do not commit to or opt out of these interventions designed to build values in students?

The discussions were enlightening and focussed. We now need a wider group to talk about the issues. All the governance bodies require opportunities to canvass broader and deeper opinions about our core values. I hope at some point to be able to table the agreed values we share, align them with our desired exit behaviours and then tag programs or processes to each of them. We hope to eventually create a more transparent connection between what we believe in, what we want and what we are doing to get it.

### High Sailing Starts its Fleet



We have set the structure in motion for Sydney High Sailing Association Inc. Now we have purchased 5 Optis, single handed training skiffs, to go with our recently acquired two Pacers. We are

aiming for a self sufficient program in term 4 this year. Mr Adam South of Southern Aurora Sailing has signed up as the High coach. Everything is set for a positive start to the season. We need committed students who want to learn to race boats. See Ms Boukatos for details.

### Year 12 Farewell Assembly



The Year 12 students and their families, celebrated the end of their formal secondary school lives on Tuesday.

Ms Dam was given a standing ovation after her touching farewell speech that focussed on life choices that the boys had made and were to make. The Year Farewell speeches had a modest amount of humour mixed in with remembrance. The teaching and support staff were recognised by the boys in what has now become a very welcome 'High tradition'. A 'Youth Off the Streets' representative was handed a tally sheet for more than \$12000 collected so far by the Year 12 cohort – a wonderful effort in their quest to set a record for collections for this worthwhile charity. I think their efforts will be hard to surpass when the final total is in. Phillip Roser announced the class of 2006 present to the school in the form of two stained glass windows to complement the feature window at the top of the stairs in the main building. I believe this project will enhance the ambience of our main entrance considerably. Kevin Kim and Adam Farrow-Palmer shared positive sentiments about their time at High. Faraz Amin spruiked the debating cause as he presented the venerable, impressive and prestigious Louat Shield to the school.

My farewell address is reprinted below:

Good afternoon parents of Year 12, teachers, support staff, students and the class of 2006 we are honouring today. Welcome to you all. We take time to celebrate the achievements of Year 12 as a cohort of scholars, as teams of sportsmen, as role models for others, as leaders with initiative, as co-curricular groups, as organising committees and as parking or charity collectors. Your

aggregated contributions to the educational experiences at High these last six years have been significant. Your combined efforts have raised the quality of your life at High and enriched its history.

2006 was the year that first grade Volleyball stamped its authority on the GPS and CHS scene by winning back to back titles in both competitions. This was a great effort from our boys and a credit to the coaching staff headed up by Mr Kay. We finally won a debating trophy after so much recent frustration in the state competitions. The co-premiership with Riverview in GPS first grade was a significant accomplishment. Romesh, Sriram and Faraz were a great team. Vinh Pham jagged a bronze medal at the Mathematics Olympiad. Sriram Srikumar was a member of the winning Australian team at the world schools debating competition.

I would like to acknowledge the efforts of the 50 boys who played competitive GPS sports for both seasons in their final year of school. Their commitment to the school and its causes is demonstrated by their actions. Romesh Abeysuriya, Blake Angell, Joe Banh, Eddy Blaxell, Stephen Burke, Douglas Chang, Long Chen, Ashley Cheng, Sandy Cunningham, Ed Curran, Lewis D'Avigdor, Henry Dang, Hieu Dang, Adam Farrow-Palmer, Holden Frisoli, Sam Gribble, Dinuka Gunasekera, Edward Hibbert, Raymond Huynh, Justin James, Joel Kamerman, Kevin Kim, Yo-Ha Kim, Joon Kwon, Samuel Lee, Ellis Louie, Jordan Luong, Anthony Ly, Gajaba Manamperi, Michael Masalehdani, Ting Mei, James Morgan, Nicholas Ng, Edward Pham, Malik Razeen, Thariq Razeen, Phillip Roser, Riet Rotherham, Mark Samarasinghe, Sriram Srikumar, Dale Sun, Attila Szabo, James Tiedgen, Andrew Trinh, Kaivan Vaidya, Ashan Wijeyaratne, Bennett Wong, Francis Wong, Quinton Yang and Gleb Zinger. We needed more of you to join them because the AAGPS has at its essence the mass participation of students in organised games. We appreciate the help of others who managed teams, coached or refereed as their second season contribution.

On your behalf I would like to thank the leadership team of Adam, Kevin and Phillip for all their efforts this year. I believe they have been very good in their jobs and fine role models for others.

I want to address the issue of free speech this afternoon. In May, 1994 retired General Colin Powell gave a commencement address at Howard University. He was speaking in the context of a campus where only weeks before an Anti-Semitic speech had sparked a controversy surrounding an institution allowing someone to speak, resulting in the resignation of the university President. Powell spoke about the American First Amendment to the Constitution on freedom of speech. He said it "is intended to protect the controversial and even outrageous word, and not just comforting platitudes, too mundane to need protection". Adults can "make informed, educated judgements about what they hear." Nevertheless, with freedom comes responsibility. Along with this freedom to hear comes a "burden to sort out wisdom from foolishness. There is great wisdom in the

message of self-reliance, of education, of hard work...[and]...utter foolishness, evil and danger in the message of hatred, however cleverly the message is packaged..." He reiterated the message of King and Mandela that racism is a disease of the racist. Powell's speech adroitly defended the rights of the university to invite speakers onto its campus but simultaneously championed the capabilities of discerning students to appreciate the truth about the speaker's meaning and intent.

Australian laws also protect free speech but only in so far as that speech does not defame individuals or incite others to rebellion. All rights have responsibilities. Schools have a responsibility to protect students, even from themselves. We have statutory obligations that make us different contexts from universities. Schools are populated by students of various ages and stages of maturity, many of whom are still building skills in reasoning, in assessing arguments, in debunking bias, in thinking through the rhetoric, in separating emotions from facts. School students are not yet adults with the powers of independent decision making and judgement. School administrations have the responsibility to act in loco parentis. All teachers have a 24/7 duty of care in respect of any student they encounter anywhere. Thus, freedom of speech is circumscribed by teachers' responsibilities as carers and nurturers. Freedom of speech is limited by context too. We speak and act differently at home, in public, at parties or in night clubs. People who attend certain occasions have expectations of what might happen or be said at them. Formal assemblies carry with them certain rituals of ceremony and respect for persons.

Students, teachers, staff members and parents can take offence, be embarrassed or feel uncomfortable when confronted with utterances that may be designed to be humorous or witty and to sections of the audience they are. Nevertheless, the test Principals must apply is "is there anyone likely to be offended, humiliated, embarrassed or even uncomfortable as a result of what is said in front of them or about them".

In conclusion, I have a short story for you.

A long, long time ago - in the jungles of what is now Tanzania, there lived a chimpanzee who loved eating termites. However, termites are relatively inaccessible, hidden in their nests or eating away small holes in fallen trees or branches. Consequently, the stubby fingers of this primate of unknown gender could not extract the tasty termites from their holes. No one knows how long this chimp wrestled with the problem of how to get the termites. At last, by trial and error or ape inspiration, a solution presented itself. Why not poke a stick down the entrance to the termite nest and see if they are attracted to it? Sure enough the termites swarmed over the intruding stick, the chimp pulled it out and licked the insects from the stick. Thus, the termite tool was born. Emboldened, the chimp started to use the stick to widen access to the termite nest. Other chimps quickly trained themselves in termite extraction. They taught their offspring. Over the millenia since that glorious day in the culinary history of the chimpanzee

it is not recorded whether the initiative and leadership of that inventive chimp was ever appreciated fully.

In saying farewell to the class of 2006, I see there are many among you with the inspiration, energy, perseverance and self-discipline to make 21<sup>st</sup> century termite tools for the descendants of that pioneering chimpanzee. I wish you well in those endeavours. Farewell and the best of luck in your HSC and with your futures. You will only be limited by your imaginations. It has been my privilege to be your Principal.

### **The Louat Shield (GPS First Grade Debating)**

It was great to see this magnificent shield back at High again. It was first awarded in 1920, having been donated by a Routledge Louat after the winning SCEGGS (Shore) team including F.R. Louat won the debating premiership that year. High won the shield in 1921 and claimed it at least twice a decade until the great drought – the 1960s, 70s and 80s. After 37 years the title was regained in 1992 by High through Mark Lang, Richard Pearshouse and David Grant. In 2000, Hilbert Chiu, Robbie Moore and Oscar Maclaren won it in style. Some near misses in the intervening years exhibited the renewed strength of High debating. This year, Romesh Abeysuriya, Sriram Srikumar and Faraz Amin with their co-premiership with St Ignatius, have assured that this decade has a proud record for High in the history of GPS competition. Congratulations to all concerned for this our 14th GPS title.

**Dr K Jaggar**

### **Prefect Executive**

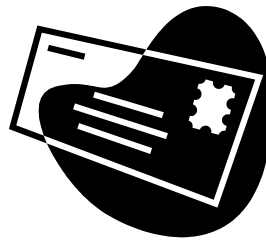
**Captain:** Moussa Farhat  
**Vice-Captain:** Matthew Fetherston  
**Senior Prefect:** Alexander Vertoudakis

The Captain and Vice-Captain are elected by the Prefect body in a secret ballot. The Senior Prefect is then appointed by the Principal on the recommendation of the Captain and Vice-Captain. This is done to ensure a cohesive executive team that can provide leadership and motivation to the Prefect body and to the school.

All members of the school family, especially the parents of the Prefects Elect, are invited to attend the Foundation Day Assembly and Prefect Induction in the Great Hall at 12.00pm on Tuesday 17 October 2006.

**C J Kesting**  
**Prefects' Master**

### **An Open Letter to the SBHS Community**



Earlier this week, the class of 2006 received news that the traditional speech given by one of its members at the farewell assembly will not be going ahead this year. This has obviously caused concern as the speech usually gives the outgoing class a chance to (often, humorously) reflect on 6 years of High school and an opportunity to share our experiences with the rest of the school community. However, the cancellation has also drawn our attention to alarming trends in school policy regarding the censoring of student speeches. With the possibility of sports captains' speeches being replaced by MIC presentations at other assemblies, including the GPS Summer and Winter Sports assemblies, we are extremely concerned that the school has not defined suitable guidelines for student speeches, with the result that harmless content is being unfairly removed.

It needs to be made clear that we do not in any way condone the actions of those students who have presented offensive or malicious content that has hurt members of our school community, harmed our school's reputation, and undermined assemblies. Rather, we are questioning the position that the school is taking in regard to evaluating content, which at the moment effectively consists of a blanket ban of any questionable content without balanced evaluation.

The question this entire issue comes down to is; what constitutes inappropriate content and what criteria are used to evaluate proposed speeches? Quite clearly there have been incidents in the past where plainly unsuitable speeches were made, for example the now infamous Fencing speech last year. But what about the traditional humour present in many speeches over the past years? Are they really inappropriate, or are they innocent jokes? This distinction between truly harmful content and between humour is a fine line, and we believe SBHS policy is unduly harsh in this area, effectively throwing the baby out with the bathwater. This is because the censorship process revolves around what constitutes inappropriate content, and the present definition of inappropriate content is far too broad, undermining the culture of Sydney High.

This has resulted in a system where speeches have been censored for no clear reason, and where speeches that were legitimate in our view and legitimate to the wider school community have been prevented. We firmly believe that the problem is simple- the censors are not examining how people interpret humour at these

assemblies and are therefore disconnected from the school community. The assumption is being made that the audience will take offence at even the slightest remark, despite experience over the past 6 years showing that far from being taken offensively, humorous comments are well-received. What this has resulted in is a system that is banning content with even the slightest possibility of causing offence, even if that content would be received as intended by all those present at the assembly.

In order to rectify this situation, censorship needs to focus not on how comments *may* be perceived, but how comments *will* be perceived- instead of examining the worst possible reaction to a comment, censorship needs to examine the *likely* reaction to a comment. This system will prevent inappropriate content from being included in assemblies while ensuring that appropriate, non-malicious humour is retained.

The culture of Sydney High, although heavily influenced by staff, parents and old boys, ultimately rests with the students, because the defining aspect of High culture is the camaraderie and loyalty students show towards each other and towards the school. It is also the students of Sydney High who carry on the traditions that make our school so unique, such as the ubiquitous "High clap". One such tradition is the use of humour in school assemblies- another is a year 12 representative speaker at the farewell assembly. The present level of censorship implemented at SBHS is effectively forcing students to present what they're told to. The censors require that there be no more traditional anecdotes in sports speeches- and if there are, then sports captains will not be permitted to present teams, replaced by the MIC for those sports. This would surely be sidelining the culture of Sydney Boys High. A line needs to be drawn between giving students control over their school culture, and preventing our school from being negatively represented. The current censorship protects Sydney High's reputation by undermining its culture because this line is incorrectly placed.

In conclusion this is a request from the Class of 2006 in two areas. First and foremost, it is a call to student speakers to be more careful in their use of humour in speeches, and to be more responsible in their actions, and secondly it is a request to the school that the guidelines for approving speeches be re-evaluated to achieve a better balance between protecting the school's reputation and allowing legitimate expressions of student culture. Because otherwise we will lose what makes Sydney High unique.

**Romesh Abeyesuriya on behalf of Class of 2006**

## Year 8 Camp



encourage anyone who was hesitating about achieving their personal best.

The boys built on their skills and attempted all the tasks, many of which were as challenging as they were exciting, Kayaking, Rock Climbing, Vertical Challenge, Alpine Rescue and Commando come to mind. They also thoroughly enjoyed the toasted marshmallows around the camp fire. The staff at the camp commented on how well behaved the students were and I am pleased to say I agree with them.

The camp would not have been nearly so pleasant without the whole hearted and cheerful support of all our teachers, Ms Howland, Mr Barris, Mr Stein, Mr Ryan, Mr Farrington and Ms Kaye.

So from Year 8 and myself, thank you very much to all the teachers for making the camp so much fun.

Most importantly Year 8 and I want to thank Ms Kaye for making time in an extremely hectic schedule to organise and share the camp with us.

**Ms C Walles (Year Advisor)**

## Years 9 and 10 Chinese Excursion:



On Friday the 8 September 2006, Years 9 and 10 Chinese students enjoyed a movie named "Balzac and the little Seamstress" after period two. This movie was bursting with information about the period of time when Mao Zedong conquered China with his communistic regime. "Students" who did not agree with his views on diplomacy were sent to re-education camps all around China.

This movie centred on the lives of two adult males who were sent to a camp in Phoenix Mountain. There they learnt the ways of the villagers, struggling against

countless hardships which they faced with a fierce determination. They were forced to do manual labour in the camp too which included farming and mining for coal. They encountered a new friend called the Little Seamstress who was a very firm believer in Mao and did not approve of the western ways. However, they soon managed to convince her to open up her mind and she became addicted to reading and writing. In the end she left Phoenix Mountain to broaden her knowledge of the world which was influenced by the books read to her by her two friends and the books that she read alone.

After this informative movie, we made a very organised route to Yum Cha in the Golden Harbour Chinese Restaurant. We had a scrumptious meal consisting of various Chinese dishes before we were questioned about the movie where the bright student Shorson Zhang won half a Toblerone and lost the other half to a Year 10 student. After that we were set free at China Town and told to make our own way home. Overall this was a very exciting experience and we were able to gather much information from this excursion.

**Robert Lau & Matthew Tong**



On the 8 September Years 9 and 10 had a Chinese incursion and excursion which comprised of watching a Chinese film called "Balzac and The little Seamstress" and going to

Chinatown to eat food at Yum Cha.

After recess Years 9 and 10 went to the hall to watch the Chinese film. This film was about two men who were sent to a rural mountain village for re-education. Here they met a girl, little seamstress, from a neighbouring village and both fell in love with her. In this time these three people came across "forbidden books" and after reading them, were enlightened about the world and eventually the girl left the mountain village.

After watching this movie we set off to Chinatown where our food was waiting. We caught public buses which took us to Central which was unexpected as there were well over 90 people with us. This meant we had to take three buses. After reaching Central we walked to Chinatown and entered the Golden Harbour Restaurant. The food there was planned much to our dislike. Common dishes were served and the food was quite satisfying. One of my friends even got an extra dish because he wanted abalone. We then had a quiz

on the film we just watched, the main prize being a huge Toblerone.

Overall this excursion was quite enjoyable and the film was very interesting to watch.

**Adrian Ang**

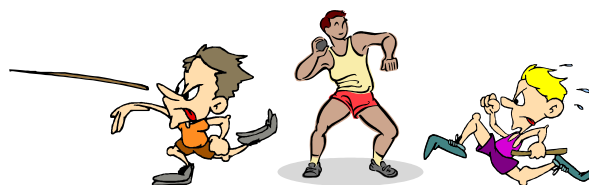
## SYDNEY BOYS HIGH CANTEEN COMMITTEE

Invites all parents or interested parties  
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### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

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**IN THE BOARDROOM**

All positions are declared vacant  
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### School Athletics Program 2006 (Years 7 & 8)

For five weeks during August/September students not in the GPS Athletics Team participated in a standards based competition. The students competed in six events – standing long jump, shot put, 800 metres, high jump, turbo javelin and 100 metres.

#### Year 7 Results

During week five the top 24 students [based on results of weeks 1 to 4] competed in a "mini decathlon" over the six events to determine the Year 7 champion.

- 1<sup>st</sup> Saif Haque [7F] 24 points
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Luke Vlatko [7M] 23 points
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Raghieb Siddiquee [7F] Henry Sit [7F] Eric Zhu [7M] 20 points

**Event Results:**

Luke Vlatko Long Jump and 800 metres  
 Saif Haque High Jump and 100 metres  
 Raghib Siddiquee Turbo Javelin  
 Kevin Lin Shot Put

**Class Results****7E**

1<sup>st</sup> Kevin Lin  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Vinson Zheng, Albert Huynh

**Best results for each event:**

**Long Jump:** Kevin Lin 2.10m, Jeffrey Tang 2.10m  
**Shot Put:** Kevin Lin 9.30m  
**800 metres:** Kevin Lin, Vinson Zheng, Albert Huynh, Max Wei  
**High Jump:** Kevin Lin 1.30m, Albert Huynh, Vinson Zheng, Charles Vu  
**Javelin:** Vinson Zheng  
**100 metres:** Albert Huynh, Kevin Lin, Vinson Zheng, Jeffrey Tang

**7F**

1<sup>st</sup> Saif Haque, Raghib Siddiquee  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Henry Sit

**Best results for each event:**

**Long Jump:** Saif Haque 2.0m, Isaac Kim, Raghib Siddiquee, Henry Sit  
**Shot Put:** Raghib Siddiquee 9.60m, Marcell Rozsa, Saif Haque, Henry Sit  
**800 metres:** Saif Haque 2m53, Hashan Subasinghe, Samir Kinger  
**High Jump:** Saif Haque 1.45m, Henry Sit, Raghib Siddiquee, Maxwell Connell  
**Javelin:** Raghib Siddiquee 24.30m, Hashan Subasinghe, Adrien Auzou  
**100 metres:** Saif Haque, Samir Kinger, Raghib Siddiquee, Henry Sit

**7M**

1<sup>st</sup> Luke Vlatko  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Francis Pham  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Eric Zhu, Andy Shen, Ryan Caetano

**Best results for each event:**

**Long Jump:** Luke Vlatko 2.20m, Francis Pham, Ryan Caetano, Andy Shen  
**Shot Put:** Eric Zhu 8.97m, Jackie Cai, Francis Pham,  
**800 metres:** Luke Vlatko 2m48, Ryan Caetano, Michael Liu-Li, Andy Shen  
**High Jump:** Ryan Caetano 1.30m, William Stefanidis, Luke Vlatko  
**Javelin:** Jonathan Mok 22.30m, Luke Vlatko

**100 metres:** Francis Pham, Andy Shen, Ryan Caetano, Eric Zhu, Luke Vlatko

**7R**

1<sup>st</sup> Jonah Petrie  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Andrew Huynh  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunny Cao

**Best results for each event:**

**Long Jump:** Jonah Petrie 2.10m, Sunny Cao, Andrew Huynh  
**Shot Put:** Jonah Petrie 9.10m  
**800 metres:** Anthony Chung, Andrew Huynh, Jonah Petrie, Aaron Chin  
**High Jump:** Andrew Huynh 1.30m, Sunny Cao, David Chan  
**Javelin:** Jonah Petrie 25.00m  
**100 metres:** Jonah Petrie, Sunny Cao, Aaron Chin, Andrew Huynh

**7S**

1<sup>st</sup> Raymond Zhai  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Dominic Nguyen  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Kevin Zhou

**Best results for each event:**

**Long Jump:** Dominic Nguyen 2.10m, Raymond Zhai  
**Shot Put:** Raymond Zhai 8.00m, Matthew So, Leslie Le  
**800 metres:** Yale Wong, Dominic Nguyen, Henry Lu, Kevin Zhou  
**High jump:** Dominic Nguyen 1.30m, Yale Wong, Gordon Li, William Shao  
**Javelin:** Matthew So 24.50m, Dennis Kim, Ryan Gu  
**100 metres:** Raymond Zhai, Howard Tran, William Shao, Gordon Li

**7T**

1<sup>st</sup> Paulo Castillo  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Vincent Wang  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Leo Lu

**Best results for each event:**

**Long Jump:** Paulo Castillo 2.0m, Vincent Wang  
**Shot Put:** Leo Lu  
**800 metres:** Paulo Castillo 2m57, Vincent Wang, Andrew Chan,  
**High jump:** Vincent Wang, Paulo Castillo, Andrew Chan, George Panas  
**Javelin:** Shimon Danziger 29.00m, Paulo Castillo  
**100 metres:** Vincent Wang, Leon Sheldon, Leo Lu

## Year 8 Class Results:

### 8.1

- 1<sup>st</sup> Brian Kelly
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Daniel Kim
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Richard Bi

#### Best results for each event:

- Long Jump:** Patrick Hsiao 2.25m, Antony Paul, Joseph Braverman, Richard Bi
- Shot Put:** Daniel Kim 11.50m, Richard Bi, Antony Paul, Brian Kelly
- 800 metres:** Brian Kelly 2m40, Daniel Kim, Joseph Braverman
- High Jump:** Brian Kelly 1.35m, Harry Vi, Richard Bi
- Javelin:** Joshua Sutton 25.80m, Timothy Molloy
- 100 metres:** Joseph Braverman, Daniel Kim, Richard Bi, Brian Kelly

### 8.2

- 1<sup>st</sup> Stephen Yoon
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Benjamin Ly
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Michael Ambrose

#### Best results for each event:

- Long Jump:** Benjamin Ly 2.60m, Stephen Yoon, Rafat Kamal
- Shot Put:** Stephen Yoon 10.50m, Frank Li, Benjamin Ly, Michael Ambrose
- 800 metres:** Michael Ambrose 2m50, Stephen Yoon, Tian Yu Li
- High Jump:** Benjamin Ly 1.45m, Stephen Yoon, Frank Li
- Javelin:** Pravin Radhakrishnan 22.50m, Michael Ambrose, Jamari Bastable
- 100 metres:** Stephen Yoon, Benjamin Ly, Tian Yu Li

### 8.3

- 1<sup>st</sup> Andy Liu
- 2<sup>nd</sup> David Tran
- 3<sup>rd</sup> William Lee, Gregory Shargorodsky, Guoxi Wang

#### Best results for each event:

- Long Jump:** Andy Liu 2.30m, David Tran, Ding Yan, William Lee
- Shot Put:** William Lee 9.50m, John Pham, Andy Liu, David Tran
- 800 metres:** Gregory Shargorodsky 2m43, Andy Liu, Guoxi Wang
- High Jump:** Andy Liu 1.45m, Daniel Morgan
- Javelin:** David Tran 30.20m, William Lee, John Pham
- 100 metres:** William Lee, Moustafa Taleb, Guoxi Wang, Andy Liu

### 8.4

- 1<sup>st</sup> Brendan Cheung
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Alex Feng, Merlin Li

#### Best results for each event:

- Long Jump:** Alex Feng 2.40m, Brian Cheung, Lawrence Li, Merlin Li
- Shot Put:** John Lee 9.90m, Brendan Cheung, Lawrence Li, Alex Feng
- 800 metres:** Richard Lin 3m05, Merlin Li, Lawrence Li, Brendan Cheung
- High Jump:** Brendan Cheung 1.35m, Alex Feng, Merlin Li, Richard Lin
- Javelin:** Alex Feng 28.40m, Lawrence Li, Merlin Li, Brendan Cheung
- 100 metres:** Brendan Cheung, Alex Feng, Merlin Li, Gareth Chan

### 8.5

- 1<sup>st</sup> James Vu
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Leo Gordon
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Vlad Boulavine

#### Best results for each event:

- Long Jump:** James Vu 2.45m, Matthew Fong, Vincent Goh, Leo Gordon
- Shot Put:** James Vu 10.40m, Leo Gordon, Chris Nguyen, Matthew Phung
- 800 metres:** Vlad Boulavine, Juan Castillo, Leo Gordon, Patrick Lai
- High Jump:** James Vu 1.35m, Matthew Fong, Vincent Goh, Chris Nguyen
- Javelin:** Vlad Boulavine 27.40m, Chris Nguyen, Matthew Fong
- 100 metres:** Nam Nguyen, James Vu, Leo Gordon, Vincent Goh

### 8.6

- 1<sup>st</sup> James Han
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Ian Lu
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Dale Chen

#### Best results for each event:

- Long Jump:** Ian Lu 2.30m, Dale Chen, James Han, Clinton Jiang
- Shot Put:** David Zhang 9.30m, Dale Chen, James Han, Leon Wang
- 800 metres:** Clinton Jiang 2m43, Dale Chen, Ian Lu
- High Jump:** James Han 1.35m, Abhinayan Kugendran, Nelson Wang
- Javelin:** Shejil Kumar 25.30m, Nelson Wang, Ian Lu
- 100 metres:** James Han, Dale Chen, Alex Koerber



## SAILING FAMILIES



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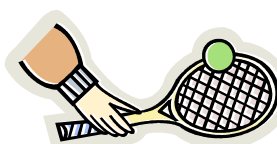
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at 7.00 pm  
Board Room  
Sydney Boys High  
Contact Ann Kurts to  
RSVP 0412 283 692**

players & current representative players during the off-season. The training sessions are aimed at improving and maintaining individuals skills/techniques & current fitness levels. Reps Trials at all clubs are not far away. Have you been practicing??

**When:** Monday 9 October-Wednesday 11 October.  
**Where:** Rooftop (North Sydney Indoor sports centre)  
**Time:** 9:30 am - 3:30 pm  
**Cost:** \$150

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### Tennis

Would you like to improve your game? On our new courts!!!

Boot Camp run by our great coach Carl Neilson for all interested Tennis players during the holidays on School Courts.

Cost \$40/day per player.

Carl will need to know whether he has enough interested so please email him on [carl@insightfulmind.com.au](mailto:carl@insightfulmind.com.au) to tell him.

### Basketball

#### Spring Pre-Rep Trials Holiday Camps

**Students:-** What do you have planned to improve your basketball skills in the holidays?

**Parents:-** Inexpensive fun holiday activities for your son.



This camp is open to all SBHS aspiring basketball representative players! Playing basketball against and with a better standard is the key to success. Norths is currently the

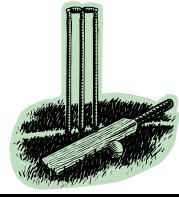
strongest junior club in NSW. Involvement in the camp will prepare you for the trials by exposing you to elite skills, increased training tempo and higher expectations than you get at your domestic teams training. Elite Squad is a training program for aspiring representative





## SYDNEY BOYS HIGH CRICKET

[www.sydneyboyscricket.info](http://www.sydneyboyscricket.info)



It was disappointing to have to cancel last weekend's Trial matches for the Years 7, 8 and 9 cricketers but we, like the other five cricket organizations utilizing the Centennial Park Trust grounds, are subject to a dysfunctional operations schedule for ground refurbishments by the Trust. Eight weeks after the final winter fixtures, football posts were still up on grounds (which included McKay), mowing and line marking had not been completed and the Trust advised fixture bookings could not commence until the 14<sup>th</sup> October 2006.

Despite strong representations by all concerned at the time, the Trust has disregarded long standing paying customers in their pursuit of high paying special events which they state will take precedence over any seasonal bookings should it be approached. The end result is that in the future any organization's seasonal booking can be disrupted by "one off" events on any of the Trust's grounds. This not only affects summer sports but can also occur during winter sports and I can assure all that we at the school are in serious negotiations with the Trust in this matter.

### McKAY No1 RETURNING

The McKay turf cricket square has now been replaced and we are hopeful that it will be settled in to cater for Round 3 of the AAGPS Competition which is a home game for our 1<sup>st</sup> XI. We will play Round 1 on a Sydney University ground (a home game) and Round 2 we will have to play away, losing the advantage of another home game. We will also suffer the loss of McKay in February for 2 weeks due to one of the Centennial Park trust's Special one-off events.

### NEW CRICKET NETS

At least something is promising to be in place for the season with the new nets being further developed during the school vacation period with the installation of the retractable nets and surfacing and at present should be in full swing for Term 4. Our bowling machines are now on site and will be of great assistance in assisting our boys with their batting skills and techniques in coming seasons.

### GENERAL MEETINGS

An important Pre-Season Information meeting will be held in the first week of Term 4 which we would like a full attendance of parents who can support our 14 teams in competition. **This meeting will be held on WEDNESDAY 18<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER at 6-30pm (note the new start time) in Room 901 in the Gymnasium.** This meeting is for coaches, managers, scorers and those who can assist a specific age group team.

In advance for your diaries further Cricket Committee and General Meetings will be held on  
**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER at 6-30pm in Room 901 in the Gymnasium and**  
**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> NOVEMBER at 6-30pm in Room 901 in the Gymnasium**

### YEAR 9 BARBERIS CUP REPRESENTATIVE TEAM

Due to the 5 High's Carnival being held in Sydney in December 2007, it has been decided to break the rotation of venues for this year's Barberis Cup challenge against Melbourne High School and conduct it in Sydney. 12 players will attend from Melbourne and members of the Sydney team will be required to billet players for 2 nights during the Cup. The reason for the change is to lessen the load in December 2007 where we will be required to billet 4 visiting teams during the 5 High's Carnival in Sydney, and the Barberis Cup was also due in Sydney in the bi-annual rotation of visits. The dates will appear in the Cricket Programme which will be on the Cricket Website in Term 4 for the Barberis Cup.

### EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST – CHINA VISIT

China has become an associate member of the International Cricket Council with plans for entry into International One Day and Test Arena by 2019 and on the basis of that country's current approach it will in no doubt succeed. We are seeking expressions of interest from parents of Chinese origin and who have son's playing cricket at school to contact Laurie Heil by email at [heil39@bigpond.net.au](mailto:heil39@bigpond.net.au) and register their interest in participation of a China Tour. All expressions should be lodged by NO LATER than 31<sup>st</sup> October 2006. Should we attract sufficient support we would consider sending 2 junior teams on tour to demonstrate to Chinese students the ability to learn and play the game.

### GOOD LUCK TO SYDNEY SWANS

On behalf of all of the school's AFL supporters we wish the Sydney Swans the best of luck and bounce of the ball in this weekend's Grand Final in Melbourne. Go the Swannies !!

Laurie Heil  
MIC Cricket

# Sydney Boys High School

## Open Day 2006

18<sup>th</sup> October



10:00	• Welcoming and focus speech – Dr Jaggar	Great Hall
10:40	• Computer games designed for English on display on Computers. Mini Chess Tournament. Library Brochure to parents – Construction – Z'ours Committee and Mrs Crothers	Library
	• Shoot out machine	Court 2
	• Computer DVD display– Mr Hayman	Foyer in Gym
10:00–12:00	• Winners up Losers Down – Tennis competition for all years	Tennis Courts
10:00-12:30	• Arty Cakes	
10:00-12:30	• Sailing– Boat on display all day in the cloisters – desk with Information sheets	Cloisters
10:00-12:30	• Cadets – Rope Climbing activities, etc	Lowers/Flat
10:00-12:30	• Whirlwind Tennis Tournament (under discussion with Carl Neilson)	New Tennis Courts
10:30-11:00	• Volleyball - Mr Kay	Gym
11:00	• Mousetrap Vehicle Competition – Mr Kay	Great Hall
	• Archives – Open – Archivist on duty – ongoing Archives work proceeding – 125th anniversary project	Archives
	• Building Development Display	Cloisters
11:00-12:00	• Public Speaking Competition	Room 204
1:00 –3:00	• Basketball	Gym – Court 1



# MUSIC NOTES

Congratulations to our HSC music student Alex Vertoudakis who will be senior prefect in 2007, well done to all our prefects.

## An important change to the billing in the *MUSIC PERFORMANCE PROGRAM*

Please be advised of a change to the billing system for instrumental lessons.

The **school** will invoice the students from the start of term 4. Payments need to be made directly to the school for your son's lessons.

It has come to our notice that there are many outstanding fees and **all outstanding fees** need to be paid by the beginning of term 4. Non-payment puts the program's continuation in jeopardy.

If you have any financial difficulties, please discuss it in confidence with the music staff as soon as possible. Thank you.

The information evening for the Music tour to China was held on Monday. If you were unable to attend but are still interested in joining the tour, please contact one of the music staff at school for information (9361-6910 Ext. no. 109).

## *China Music Tour 2007 Expression of Interest*

The Music Department in collaboration with the Australian Chinese Culture & Arts Group will be organising a 16-day music tour to China in the 2007 July holidays. This is a wonderful opportunity for the students to perform in the Beijing International Youth Carnival 2007 with other youth bands from 21 countries worldwide.

As well as participating in the Grand Parade in Wang Fu Jing and the music show of Olympic Opening Music, students will visit renowned tourist sites around Beijing, Shanghai, Hangzhou and Nan Jing. The anticipated cost of this tour will be approximately \$2850 which includes airfare, all meals, accommodation, and entries.

Students and parents interested in coming on the tour need to complete the form below and **return to the music staff as soon as possible**.

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## *2007 MUSIC TOUR TO CHINA*

### *EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST*

*Please Print*

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Roll Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile No. \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_



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