



From the Principal High Talent



High defeated Winmalee High in the CHS Knockout basketball competition to reach the last 16 in the state. Our boys face Westfields next for a spot in the last 8. Great effort boys, considering the injury toll on the team. Congratulations to George Ge (Year 7), Glandon Zheng (Year 10), Edward Koo and Nicholas Lin (Year 11) who represented High in the CHS table tennis tournament. The team lost only one match, to Blakehurst High and were runners up on the day.

Armidale Visit

Over two hundred boys made the trip to TAS for our annual visit. The competition this year was enlivened by a new feature, the contest for the Hannon-Harris Trophy. The trophy is in honour of two men who have served their respective schools in sport since c1974. Grant Harris is retiring as Deputy Headmaster at TAS this year after 37 years of service as teacher, administrator and sports coach / manager and Tony Hannon has been at High since 1974 as a history teacher and legendary rugby coach. The Cup is contested on a parity of esteem basis for all fixtures. So, the rifle shooting and tennis matches were worth the same as the first XV rugby and the first XI football. As added entertainment this year, relays were run for age groups before the football game and at half time. Over the weekend High won the football, the tennis, the basketball and a relay but lost the rifle shooting by a single shot and got smacked in the rugby. Tony Hannon presented the Hannon-Harris Trophy to Murray Guest, Headmaster of TAS, at the conclusion of the basketball game on Saturday night. The visit was most enjoyable, despite some rain. Let's hope we can lift our game and target some areas to overcome the TAS boys next year.

Boggabilla exchange

After TAS a group of boys journeyed on to Boggabilla Central School. For the last decade (2003-2012) our Year 9 project has been to raise money to assist the school by refurbishing what was the original school

house, now called the Pink House. It has been used continuously as a community meeting place by the local elders, led by school patron, Aunty Dawn Dennison. Our boys dined in the Pink House on Sunday evening. After consultation with Boggabilla staff, we decided to commence a new project, the restoration of the agricultural plot and mini farm on site. Students are currently caring for goats, chickens and ducks. The fences, greenhouse and vegetable gardens need work. Our plan is to restore and restock the area. Simultaneously, Boggabilla students will be taught relevant life skills such as how to drive a bobcat or fix a fence. In troubled social times in the community the High boys can help by bringing some structure, responsibility and reward for effort into the lives of some Boggabilla kids.

GPS Heads Meeting



At the most recent GPS Heads meeting, some important changes to debating were ratified. Heads have become increasingly concerned about how late debating evenings are concluding and requested the Debating Co-ordinators to come up with a means to shorten proceedings. Topics will be distributed to seniors at 6:45. Years 7-10 are to have 45 minutes prep time. The length of speeches is to be shortened – Years 7-8: 3- 4 minutes, Years 9-10: 4- 5 minutes, and Seniors: 5-7 minutes. Also, the practice of panels of adjudicators retiring to discuss the pros and cons of their decisions is to end. The senior adjudicator in unanimous decisions or the more senior adjudicator in split decisions will announce the result and explain briefly their reasons for the decision. The GPS Debating Guidelines will be distributed more widely. Some other suggestions were made by Heads for consideration by Richard Clark and his committee. Concerns were expressed about the aggressive nature of GPS –style debating, the counterintuitive arguments that young people were being asked to prepare, the preponderance of topics on economic and political issues rather than ethical or moral ones, and the penchant for adjudicators to expound about what the debate should have done rather

than summarise what happened. We hope as a group that GPS debating on Friday nights will be shorter and more enjoyable for all.

Dr K A Jaggar

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Years 9 and 12 will take place on
Monday 18 June 2012
3.00pm – 7.00pm

Years 7 and 11 will take place on
Thursday 21 June 2012
3.00pm – 7.00pm

Years 8 and 10 will take place on
Wednesday 27 June 2012
3.00pm – 7.00pm

Booking interviews with your son's teachers

This year we will again use a web based electronic scheduling system for arranging interviews. This produces better results for all participants, especially more compact time schedules for both parents and teachers. The system works as follows –

- On Thursday 7 June all parents of boys in Years 9 and 12 were sent by email details of the scheduling system and a unique code to be entered at www.edval.com.au/book.
- On Tuesday 12 June all parents of boys in Year 7 and 11 will be sent by email details of the scheduling system and a unique code to be entered at www.edval.com.au/book.
- On Tuesday 19 June all parents of boys in Years 8 and 10 will be sent by email details of the scheduling system and a unique code to be entered at www.edval.com.au/book.
- This email will be sent to the address currently held by the school. If you have not received this email by the following day (8, 13 or 20 June) or, if your email address has changed from what had been previously advised to the school, you should notify the school at ptnight@sydneyboys-h.schools.nsw.edu.au advising of this. Please indicate your son's name and roll class or date of birth so that the information can be forwarded to you.

- On the Edval website you will see your son's teachers listed and you will be able to select those with whom you require an interview. (If you hover over a teacher's name, the subject involved will be shown.) At the same time you can indicate your availability between 3:00 pm and 7:00 pm.
- Once the majority of parents have requested interviews, the overall schedule will be generated by the school and your individual schedule should be available for you to download and print from two days before the interviews.
- Boys from all Years will be dismissed from class at the conclusion of Period 5 on each day. School Special buses will run to normal schedules and there will be supervision in the Junior Quad of boys waiting for these buses.
- *Interviews should not exceed five minutes' duration.* If there is insufficient time, a further appointment may be made for a later date, or contact by telephone arranged.

Creative Writers Ahoy!

Do you enjoy writing and want to win prizes such as an Apple iPad for your efforts?? Well the 'Lionel Bowen Young Writers' Award' is now open and is a popular writing competition for anyone aged between 7-18 years!

Categories:

1) **Short story:** with a maximum of 2,000 words.
Poem: maximum of two typed pages.

2) **Short Play:** The play should be in one act and should comprise a maximum of five typed pages. (For further details see website).

Prizes: certificates of excellence, Apple iPads, Apple iPod Touches, books, and much more!

Closing date: 30 June 2012.

Visit www.randwick.nsw.gov.au/library for further details and information on how to submit your work. So c'mon budding writers, put your creative cap on and get your name out there! Good luck!

Mr A Hayman, English faculty.

SBHSDEBATING

MIC Report

Many congratulations to Christopher Chiam and Robert Sternhell who have been chosen to be part of the NSW Debating squad. This means they rank as being in the best 12 debaters in the State and will represent NSW in interstate debates this year. Well done, boys. Robert and Christopher form part of our Year 12 PDC team who are in the regional Finals at Parliament House on Friday. Good luck to them. Meanwhile Years 9 and 10 both won their debates against Moorefield Girls on Monday and Years 7 and 8 will begin their round of PDC debates on Wednesday.



Year 8 FED Runners –Up. James Goh, Liam Jepsom, Thomas Shortridge, Marur-ul Joarder

Years 7-10 have begun conducting trials for their GPS teams over the past two weeks. Thanks to the boys' enthusiasm, we have a large number of students trying out and trials are being conducted over multiple weeks. The final team selections will be based on their performance in the selection debates, as well as their performance in coaching so far this year.

Given the quality and interest shown by all the boys, it will be a tough choice for the coaches. Each student is being seen by a panel of coaches from their Year group and some coaches have opted to conduct multiple rounds of selection debates.

Following trials, coaching will continue to be available for those boys who do not make GPS teams. Students will also receive feedback following the trials so they can all identify areas to improve on. We are trying to think of innovative ways to keep non GPS debaters engaged during coaching and we are aiming to keep them debating as much as possible.

If students want award points for Debating they must attend every session (unless sick or have a prior engagement) through the season and they must exhibit high standards of behaviour throughout.

Rachel Powell MIC Debating

Debating Prefect Report

Unfortunately, our Year 8 team lost their FED final debate last week against a good Barker side with the topic "that Australia should support protest groups in China." Regardless, the team of James, Liam, Thomas and Masrur did a commendable job, and the whole Year 8 group should be heartened by qualification in the finals in the first place. The Year 12 side continued their good start to the season by beating Sydney Tech in the regional semi-final, and will compete in the regional final at Parliament House today. As well as this, senior trials begin this week so our first and second grade sides will be named in the coming weeks. Good luck to everyone either debating or trialling!

Christopher Chiam Debating Prefect

More information can be found at www.sydneyhigh.org.au/debating and will be emailed to you on a weekly basis.

Please CHECK YOUR EMAIL regularly and ensure we have current contact details for both students and parents. PARENTS: If you are not receiving weekly emails about debating please email us at sbhsdebating@gmail.com and ask to be added to the parent group for your child's year.

My Year of Chinese Eisteddfod



Years 7 and 8

From the age of six, I began competing in the Chinese Eisteddfod, a poetry recital competition which is split into individual or group performances. It is a competition that attracts people of all ages and all abilities, united by a passion for the Chinese language. To me, though, this competition has been much more than just learning Chinese, at an early age, it has instilled in me three very important values: hard work, confidence and a sharp, inquiring mind.

As in every competition, hard work is necessary to achieve ultimate success, but this same virtue is essential for everything we do in life. In my first few years in the Chinese Eisteddfod, I worked hard because I was told to, and naturally, the preparation that I put in converted into a swathe of prizes, culminating in a golden period of first place awards. The complacency that was brought about by lack of understanding of the value of hard work, however, meant that one year, the prizes just stopped coming in. That same year, my effort at school slipped; everything was thrown into reverse gear because I did not understand the value of diligence and persistence. This difficult lesson was essential to all my future endeavours, though, as I began to appreciate the benefits of a few hard yards.

Being a shy person ever since I could remember, giving a performance on stage has always been a Herculean challenge. By competing in the Chinese Eisteddfod, especially from such a young age, I was forced to develop a certain measure of confidence. As each year passed, my confidence continued to blossom, aiding me, for instance, in primary school public speaking competitions. It enabled me to perform onstage, without nerves and without fear of embarrassment, something that I have found to be far better than the euphoria that is associated with prizewinning. To me, getting up on the tiny stage of

the Chinese Eisteddfod for individual performances was already a huge win.

Learning the poems for the Chinese Eisteddfod has also helped me to cultivate a degree of inquisitiveness, not just into Chinese culture and history, but also into many school subjects. With each poem that I diligently learnt, I managed to learn more about the rich Chinese culture and history, the heritage that constituted a strong part of my identity. I would picture the beauty of nature, the sober and often gruesome wars that had, for a time, defined China and the abstract philosophies of years gone by. In the poem that I most remember, entitled 'Man jiang hong' (A river of red), the historical context described a general bound by honour to the king, even unto death, the cultural context described the Mongolian influence upon the Chinese, whilst the lyrical passages painted a terrifying picture of a river of blood. It was such poems that helped to develop my curiosity.

My love for the Chinese Eisteddfod has also meant a matching, if not greater enjoyment, in the learning of the Chinese language. In high school, it was with the most extraordinary luck that I met Ms Zhang, who, not only helped me to develop a strong Chinese language base, but also could afford to spend time to train me for the Chinese Eisteddfod and go every single year. Her immense dedication to the competition, manifested by her presence for the whole day, and her accumulation of experience created the perfect environment for me to succeed in the competition.

In the interest of brevity, I shall not elaborate on this year's proceedings, for that has already been summarised. But what I can say is that this year has been one of the best years that I have ever experienced in this Chinese Eisteddfod competition. With the hard work, confidence and affinity for learning that I had developed over the years, I enjoyed myself wholeheartedly over the course of the day.

There is no 'come back next year' option for me anymore, though the group competition's host thinks otherwise. Again, this has been one of the most rewarding years of my participation in the Chinese Eisteddfod competition, which had begun 12 years earlier. For all Chinese students out there, I definitely recommend participation in this competition, as you will have the guidance of the ever more experienced Ms Zhang, and will also learn some Chinese history as you go. And with

each year that you attend, you are bound to gain valuable life skills applicable to any situation that you are faced with.

Ming Chin (Year 12)

2012 National Chinese Eisteddfod

After three months' preparation and intensive training, our boys once again put on their best performance at the annual National Chinese Eisteddfod.



Year 10

The 2012 Chinese Eisteddfod attracted nearly 2500 candidates. This annual event was a poetry and prose-recital competition that provided students with the opportunity to show their acquired Chinese language skills in pronunciation, tones, expression and presentation as well as their artistic performance.



Years 11 and 12

Congratulations to the 13 boys from **Years 11 and 12**, Ming Chin, Harry Liu, Yongbin Luo, Jeff Peng, Jeffrey Yang, Jason Zheng, Marshall Li, Daniel Lin, William Tu, Han Lin Mai, Howjer Gu, Xu-Dong Feng and Johnson Xu who won **2nd prize** in the 16-18 year-old group competition. Their performance was supreme, the best I have seen in all these years.

Glanden Zheng of Year 10 achieved 3rd prize in the individual 13-15

Congratulations to all boys who took part in this event for your dedication and achievement. I hope

the experience that you have gained through this year's eisteddfods will benefit you in your future learning and performance.

Huge thanks to parents who gave immense encouragement and support to our boys. It was great to see families being so involved.



P.S. Check out the 2012 photos and some video footage on R Drive.

Ms Zhang

Gifted and Talented Co-curricular Activities.

Recent weeks have been very busy for students involved in a number of co-curricular events.

On Monday 14th May, 12 students (Yr 10: Michael Alexandratos, Riley Irwin, Christopher Ketkeo and AndrewTayeh, Yr 11: Jonothan Clements-Lendrum, Allen Feng, Khushaal Vyas., Callum York and Nelson Tang and Yr 12: Patrick Krakovsky, Adam Ceh and Gavin Sutton) attended the Philosophy lecture day hosted by Ascham. The event is designed and presented by Academy Conferences, a UK based organisation that aims to extend the thinking of students who are interested in being intellectually challenged. The lecturer, Julie Arliss is outstanding. She lectures at King's College and works with philosophy students at Oxford and Exeter universities. She is also principal examiner at Cambridge. Julie's lectures combine academic rigour with humour and she has an intuitive understanding of how best to engage 15-19yr olds. Topics included 'Does a snail have consciousness?' 'Does time really bend?' and 'The philosophy of sex' which led to the afternoon debate about the need to regulate sexual representation by the media and society at large. Students were then given an opportunity to contribute to the afternoon debate. The quality of their ideas and the level of articulation that these young adults brought to the discussion were very impressive. It's really good news that our collective futures are in their hands! The day is a wonderful opportunity for our students to meet and exchange ideas with students from a range of schools in a relaxed, informal setting. A quote from Michael A, 'It was an enjoyable, stimulating and thought-provoking event. The philosophical issues discussed were intriguing and well presented. Interacting with other schools was another benefit. The lecture/theatre hall was abuzz with the voices of socializing students.'

Da Vinci Decathlon 2012

The all-day event was held Tuesday 29th May for Years 7 and 8 and on Thursday 31st May for Years 9 and 10. The teams consist of 8 students who are chosen from the all-rounder lists and through staff recommendation of students in specialist areas such as Art, Design and Technology and Drama.

The Year 7 team consisted of Jasper McCahon-Boersma, Ahad-Anhiang, Corey Won, Akeedh Razmi, Ben Graham, Wangyu Tang and Jonathon Tran. They were one member down on the day but overcame this problem by reorganising task allocations. They were disappointed that they did not gain a medal but their team work was excellent. Christopher Chiam (Yr 11) used his 4 years of experience in Da Vinci teams to train the boys and to give them a sense of what is required in this event. Their best result was 3rd in Games of Strategy. They were really pleased with Wangyu's and Jonathon's Art/Poetry entry. We are still waiting for the overall results from the event. The boys showed how reliable and independent they are by meeting at 7.30am at Central for an 8.30 start at Knox- quite an achievement for Year 7!

The Year 8 team had the advantage of including some students who participated last year: Aiden Karahasen, Thomas Nimic, Fayad Morshedi were joined by Vishal Karnamadakala, Adam Shackel, Elery Smith, Jun Lin and Manning Blackell. The boys were pleased with their results in Maths and Science. We are waiting for the overall results. They are to be congratulated on the respect they show for each other and others. They worked well as a newly formed team and I'm sure they will capitalise on the experience acquired when they next compete.

The Year 9 team was outstanding. They achieved 2nd place overall and took to the podium to receive their medals beside 1st place getters, Sydney Girls High. It was a terrific result from the only state schools at the event. The boys admitted that if they had to be beaten by anyone, then best that it's 'the girls next door'. Wesley Beare, Leonard Mah, Benjamin Nguyen, Jesse Nixon, Marc Betbeder-Matibet, Thomas George, Luke Hoad and Philip Mai produced brilliant team work. Their best results were in Science where they were 2nd. Their preparation for the event was thorough and this showed on the day. Also, they moved through the tasks with far more efficiency than last year.

Lokesh Sharma has provided the report for the Year 10 team:

'On the 31st of May, the Year 10 team went to Knox Grammar to compete in the Da Vinci Decathlon. The team, consisting of Robert Tan, Christopher Chen, Gideon Kwok, William Wu, Anes Karahasan, Michael Hauser, Edric Wang and Lokesh Sharma, was hoping for another podium finish after last year's 2nd placing. This year the theme of the day was "Flight" and the day was comprised of 10 events in diverse fields of Science, Mathematics, Engineering, Philosophy, Creative Producers (Drama), Art and Poetry, Code Breaking, General Knowledge, English and Games of Strategy. These were all Leonardo Da Vinci's skills and High competed fiercely throughout the day in what was a gruelling competition against 50 other High Schools from around the State. We triumphed in the typically tough field General Knowledge and also Art and Poetry, coming 1st in both these events. This set us up for another podium finish with High being placed 3rd. The highlight of the day was the fact that we beat Sydney Girls, who didn't finish with a placing this year. (The lowlight was probably the food, which is usually a variety of scrumptious pizzas, turning out to be only boring cheese pizza.) It was a very successful day for High in what was the last outing for the Year 10s in the Da Vinci Decathlon.

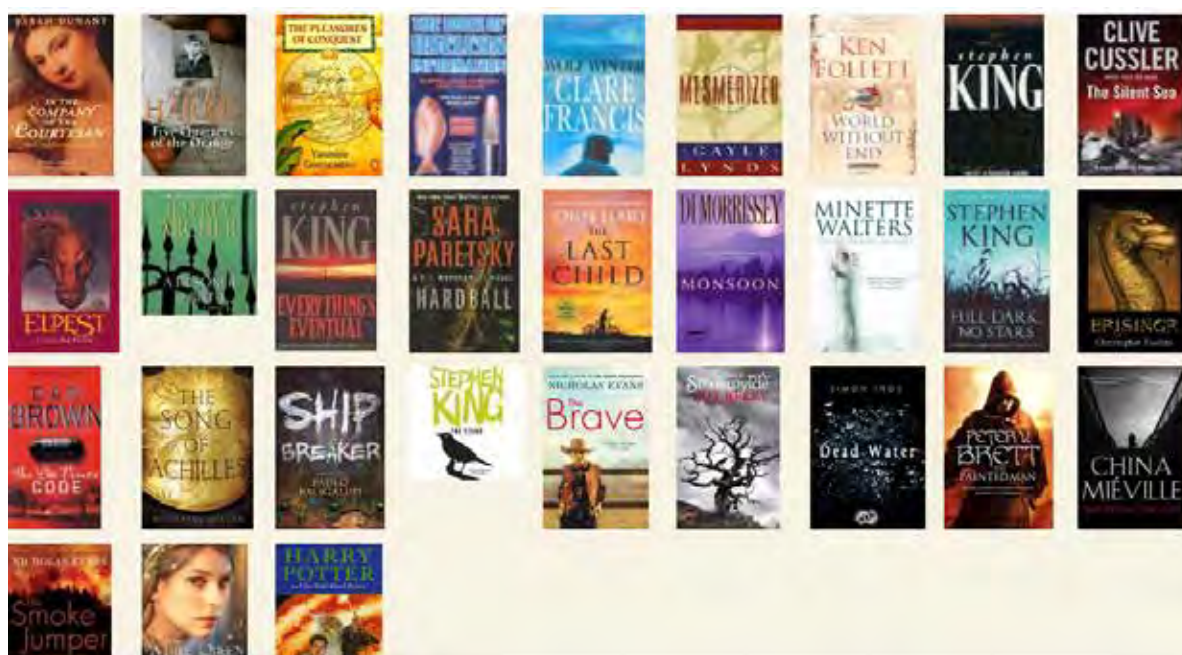
Great Work and Congratulations to the Team!'

Unbeknown to Lokesh, the team was complimented on their Creative Producers which was described by the judges as refreshingly innovative in approach. Gideon and Chris achieved the unimaginable! A first place for Art and Poetry. Only those who have attempted this challenge can appreciate the significance of this feat.

The students involved on both days were exemplary ambassadors for the school in all respects. They were praised by a member of the general public on the train trip to Knox. It's a pleasure and a privilege to accompany students of this calibre. They are supportive of each other, they show their pride in the school through their appearance and demeanour and they treat others with respect.

Thank you to all of the boys for making it such a great couple of days.

Julie Eggleton (English Dept.)



FROM THE ANDREWS LIBRARY

NEW RESOURCES OUT TO SHELVES LAST 2 WEEKS

The resources listed above are new onto our shelves this week and last week. Many more resources are being processed but 94 titles have already gone into the Years 7 and 8 Literacy Circles "Introduction to Popular Series Course" which is now ready to commence. Next week's High Notes will feature these lovely Literacy Circles resources which will be part of the Library's collection when Literacy Circles finishes this year.

DONATIONS THANKS

Many thanks to Ms Jenni May (HT Creative Arts) for her very thoughtful donation of children's books. This is another sizeable donation – a shelf worth of books – and it is very valuable to our Library. Thanks also to Nicholas Crothers for his 5 book donation this week.

If parents would like to support our Library's efforts to improve our resource collection they might like to send in up to 5 year old books they have read and wish to discard. Crime fiction is a favourite.

NEWS ON E BOOKS AND SCHOOL LIBRARIES

Last week the Librarians attended separate DEC in-services and heard some very positive news about the changes needed in Library software to support the introduction of a popular books E book collection for school libraries. We were also in-serviced on E books resources the DEC has been making available to its libraries. As a result the Andrews library downloaded its first E book last week. We hope to set aside some of our budget to subscribe to an E book library next year.

LINKS 4 LEARNING – Staff and students please note

At the same in-service the libraries were informed that a new feature had been installed on the OASIS library search page. It is called **Links 4 Learning** and offers easy access to topic related learning materials collated by the DEC including lesson plans and curriculum related learning websites and E learning materials. *Since last week our library has now downloaded 800 odd resources for secondary schools and an additional number of staff resources onto the SBHS Library database.*

New Search Print this page

All Keywords Titles Names Subjects Series [Help](#)

Search in **My Library** for

Enter your search terms above, then click the Go button.

Browse Library

- Links4Learning**
Quick links for subject topics.
- Subjects**
Browse all subjects alphabetically.
- Names**
Browse authors, illustrators, and other contributors.
- Series**
Browse all series titles alphabetically.
- Reading Lists**
Browse reading lists for your school.
- Search help**
Search tips and instructions.

My Library Links

- 1. Sydney Boys High School**
Sydney Boys High School Website
- 2. Student Intranet Portal**
The Student Intranet Portal allows you to see what books you have borrowed and request their renewal. You can also check your school details and more.
- 3. Moodle**
Moodle is an online learning system used by many classes at Sydney Boys High School.
- 4. Online Databases**
Access the online databases and subscription services to which Sydney Boys High School subscribes.
- 5. Board of Studies**
The Board of Studies is responsible for curriculum development and statewide assessment in New South Wales.

My Library

Welcome to Web Enquiry

This enquiry page allows you to search the collection of the Sydney Boys High School library.

Renew Your Books

You can ask the library to renew your books before they become overdue either in person or via the Student Intranet Portal (link at left).

DIE DEUTSCHE FRAGE – TIPP DREI

Some have come very close – but not close enough yet. It twirls, it lifts off – but what is the German connection???

Frau St Leon

FROM THE HIGH STORE

JUNE ONLY SPECIAL for RUGBY

Purchase the HIGH RUGBY training mesh, cap & water bottle

Receive a 10% discount on total purchase

From the Canteen

Once again thank you for being a canteen volunteer. We cannot manage without you. Thanks also to our Prefects for their extra work this week when we were short of volunteers. Remember **ALL** canteen profits are returned back to the school to help fund projects and facilities which benefit all our sons.

Thank you to the volunteers for the last two weeks.

21/5/12

MON: Shi Yuan Gu, Faidha Razmi, Shannon Hickey, Lynn Chen

TUES: Jade Ni, Angela Feng, Agnes Leo

WED: Vikki Angell, Helen Kon, Carolyn Pope, Sally Allingham

THUR: Lin Jin, Maria Farrell, Jian Ping Li,

FRI: Sulani Balasooriya, Maria Ngyuen, Li Yang

28/5/12

MON: Rachel Fowler, Sam Guo, Shannon Hickey

TUES: Mary Chan, Jie Jane Lin, Nancy Andrew, Betty Chan

WED: Iris Lau, Jim O'sullivan

THUR: Fiona Nasif, Debbie Dukes, Mehrnoosh Johnstone, Li Ling Chen

FRI: Connie Tai, Frances Salmon.

A special thank you to Jim and Frances for coming in at the last minute when we were short staffed.

The **Canteen Voucher** winner for May is **Maria Farrell**. Her son **Ciaran** has a \$10.00 voucher to spend at the canteen.

The Canteen Team

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Sportsmaster's report TAS Sporting Exchange Weekend



A big thank you and congratulations to all boys who attended the Armidale Sporting Weekend for their contribution to a successful and enjoyable weekend for all. Also a big 'thank you' to all staff who assisted with coaching, managing and supervising the boys over the weekend including: Mr Geoff Stein, Mr Anthony Cipolla, Mr George Barris, Mr Con Barris, Mr Jamie Kay, Mr Simon Kacimaiwai, Mr Samson Lou, Mr Tony Hannon, Ms Cathy Meaney, Mr Mehdi Hazrati and Mr Ian Robinson.

Some outstanding contribution from our boys who competed in multiple sports over the weekend and a special mention to Eugene Lee, Joshua Leo, Anthony Chen and Daniel Zhang who competed in Athletics, Rugby and Basketball. The following list of boys competed in two events:

Charlie Shi – Rugby and Basketball
Michael Hamilton – Rugby and Basketball
Lachlan Day – Rugby and Tennis
Michael Chang – Rugby and Athletics
Ned Anson – Rugby and Athletics
William Chang – Rugby and Athletics
Marcus Ekengard – Rugby and Basketball
Daniel Jones – Football and Basketball
Hayden Lam – Rugby and Athletics
Jesse Moffat – Rugby and Basketball
Scott Renzenbrink – Football and Basketball
Allen Fu – Football and Basketball
Toni Li – Rugby and Basketball
Shuming Wang – Rugby and Basketball
Daniel Zhang – Rugby and Basketball
Tom Hughes – Rugby and Athletics
Daniel Keogh – Rugby and Athletics
Terrence Pham – Rugby and Athletics
Rick Saha – Rugby and Athletics
Eddie Belokoptov – Rugby and Athletics
Kelvin Luu – Rugby and Athletics
Lucas Wong – Rugby and Athletics
Corey Won – Rugby and Athletics
Chris Chang – Rugby and Athletics

Robert Yuan – Rugby and Athletics
Alex Hughes – Rugby and Basketball
Daniel Ahn – Rugby and Athletics
Jasper Garay – Assisting with Coaching Rugby and basketball

Hannon-Harris trophy – SHS 7-TAS 11

In 2012, the Armidale sporting exchange saw the introduction of the Hannon-Harris Trophy which was a trophy to acknowledge the dedicated careers of two men who have served their schools in various capacities. Sydney High's Mr Tony Hannon – a legend within our school. He has taught at the school as a History teacher and earlier on as an English teacher beginning in 1974. Furthermore, he has dedicated his time to coaching countless boys and teams over the years in rugby; including winning a CHS premiership in 1988 and being runner up AAGPS Rugby 1st XV competition in 1991, 1993 and 1994. Mr Hannon's passion for his teaching area and rugby has had a significant influence on the school over this time.

From an Armidale School's perspective Mr Grant Harris is one of the longest serving staff members having begun on staff in 1975. Currently, the Deputy headmaster, Mr Harris was an old boy of the school and it is only fitting to acknowledge his dedication to the extra-curricular life at the school having also coached many rugby teams for more than two decades, leading the cadet unit and still driving the school's buses on sporting trips to Sydney. Mr Harris also loved playing Sydney High School on annual occasions when he was a student at the school.

And so the Hannon-Harris trophy has been initiated



to commemorate the outstanding contribution of both of these fine men to their respective schools. The Armidale School has taken home the prize in 2012 defeating Sydney High 11 wins to 7. High was successful in winning the 1st and 2nd XI

Football, Senior tennis, 13s and 15s Athletics relays and both junior and senior basketball.

RIFLE SHOOTING

On the 2nd of July, 11 members of the Sydney High Rifle Shooting squad packed their shooting gear ready for the 3 day 2012 Armidale trip. Expectations were as high as usual, with many months of training before the event at our new training venue, the Sydney International Shooting Centre.

After a 7 hour trip, we received a warm welcome from TAS to complement the blistering cold, and set off to the gym or designated rooms for a good night's rest before competition the next morning. As part of the yearly tradition from 2009, a shooting match consisting of 10 deliberate shots and 8 5-second snap shoots takes place. A grand aggregate out of 1440 is used to determine the winner.

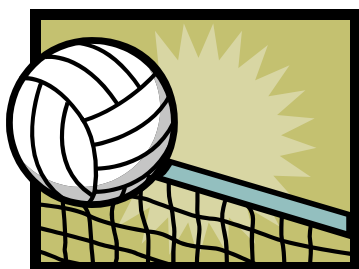
The next morning started off well as all the shooters rose on time for breakfast before the 8am shoot. We walked to the 50m smallbore range. The rifles were set up, the shooting gear was prepared, and the rules were explained. Finally, the shooting commenced.

A solid 95.1, 99.3 and 94.1 from Yujin Wu, Robert Sternhell and Bill Deng were posted to start off the first deliberate round. However the unfamiliar environment resulted in disappointing snap scores for Yujin and Robert. Exceptional shooting came from Jeremy Chan in the second round who scored 93.3 and 78, to take second place at the range. Minghao Wu in the next round also shot well, and a total of 165.3 (95.3 and 70) gave him second place too. Well done to Jack Zhou, who scored 158 (99.2! and 59), Evan Han (154.0 – 91.0, 63), Wilbert Wu (146.3 – 95.2, 51) and Vice-Captain Dominic Tran (159.2 – 92.2, 67) whose scores were used to determine the grand aggregate. Unfortunately, a total of 1257.15 points was not enough to beat the current GPS premier's score of 1268.24, however, with a margin of only 11 points, we were very close.

Many thanks go to the Armidale School for hosting such a great competition every year, and also for their warm hospitality. Thanks to both the Armidale School New England Girls School for making a great competition! Thanks must also go to Cathy Meaney, coaches Ishan Nadkarni and Sam Kremer, who came along not only for great support but also humour and general organisation. Such a close result with the former GPS premiers shows how close High is to take GPS premiership once again this year!

Captain of Rifles, Yujin Wu



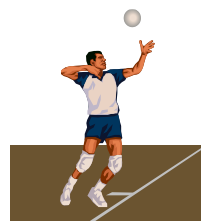


Volleyball

Notes

GPS Volleyball Results

	Date: 2/6/12	Opposition: SCOTS COLLEGE
Results:	Ists: 3-0 (25-8,25-14,25-11)	2nds: 3-0 (25-11,25-9,25-12)
Best Performances		
Skill	First Grade	Second Grade
% of Serves in play	Max Song (100) Pinyan Gao (85) Patrick Krakovsky (82)	Gordon Qin (100) Shaun Noronha (95) Sam Phillis (88)
% of Serves that were kills	Max Song (56) Ivor Metcalf (53) Pinyan Gao (46)	Shaun Noronha (60) Jason Garrett (50) Sam Phillis (50)
% of spikes and blocks kept in play	Patrick Krakovsky (100) Jonathon C-L. (92) Ivor Metalf (83)	Sunchit Sethi (100) Jason Garrett (100) Kevin (100)
%of spikes and blocks that were kills	Pinyan Gao (100) Patrick Krakovsky (100) Ivor Metcalf (83)	Kevin (100) Sunchit Sethi (83) Jason Garrett (75)
Serve Reception Passing accuracy	Jonathon C-L (81) Justin Yang (75) Pinyan Gao (66)	Sam Phillis (83) Jason Garrett (83) Kevin (80)
Freeball Passing accuracy	Justin Yang (100) Ivor Metcalf (88) Patrick Krakovsky (88)	Kevin (100) Sam Phillis (100) Jason Garrett (66)



Michael Kay
MIC Volleyball



SBHS RUGBY High Rugby = High Spirit



Armidale trip

The Armidale trip proved to be a very fun and enjoyable experience for the Rugby players. While only a couple of teams managed victories, the juniors had very competitive games across all age groups. 1st and 2nd grade found the fast country boys too difficult to handle but showed the famous High Spirit in never giving in. Congratulations go to the improving 3rd XV who were narrowly defeated by a strong Armidale team.

Team of the week - 13Bs – defeated Armidale's 13Bs

Play of the week - Sama's try while playing up an age group in the 15As

Team reports – Each week one team/age group report will feature in the High Notes with the rest going on <http://www.sydneyhigh.org.au/rugby/>.

Playing against Armidale this weekend, we had to remember our fundamentals. Having practised our offensive tackling throughout the week, we applied it to the match very well, refusing the larger opposition any metres. We moved up as one team and took their metres. However, the same could not be said about our attacking component. Having been rushed by the quick Armidale defence, we failed to spread the ball and, as a result of their speed, we made errors. This, along with the failure to cover the wide ball, unfortunately brought a loss to our game. Sama (man of the match) showed great resistance, wanting the ball off every breakdown. There were 2 mayday calls in the game, both handled extremely well by both teams. Because of this, our game was shortened to around 40 minutes. Still, we had great fun and hope we can play against them next year.

Rick Saha – 14As



Winners of the 14s and 15s Intra-school 7s tournament

2012 SYDNEY BOYS HIGH AND SYDNEY GIRLS HIGH P & C JOINT MEETING



7:30pm to 9:30pm, WEDNESDAY 20 JUNE
SYDNEY BOYS HIGH GREAT HALL

SPEAKER: ANNA LIU



THE CHALLENGES FACING THE MIGRANT PARENT IN THE SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT



The next general meeting of the P&C will be the annual joint meeting of the Sydney Boys and Sydney Girls P&Cs on Wednesday 20 June at 7:30pm. This year, it is the turn of Sydney Boys to host the meeting and it is with pleasure we introduce Anna Liu as the guest speaker.

Anna is a social worker who runs the *Chinese Family Education Project* in Mandarin for Family Services in the St George area, as well as being a Director of PARENTCALM and mother of two school age children.

Anna speaks from both a professional and personal viewpoint about the challenges facing migrant parents in their relationship with the education system, including the limitations imposed by the language barrier; the effect of differing cultural expectations; and how these challenges impact on the children involved.

Anna's particular area of expertise is with the Australian-Chinese community, nonetheless, Anna offers practical advice for **all parents** on how to improve the wellbeing of our daughters and sons in an environment where high academic performance is both encouraged and expected, at the same time as the journey through puberty is being negotiated. Parents are provided with an understanding of the physical and emotional needs of teenagers along with tips on recognising the signs of stress and strategies for addressing it.

We look forward to seeing you on the night. A Q&A session will be held afterwards and a light supper will be provided and served from 7:15pm. Parking will be available via the Cleveland Street and Anzac parade entrances.

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Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
8 B	11 Queen's Birthday - Public Holiday	12 *** Y12 SDs HSC Assessment , P3 & 4 room 802 Excursion: Yr 12 SoR 08:15 to 11:15 Grand final for OzSpell, Year 7, Great Hall, P3 & 4 Brainstorm Productions - Cheap Thrills (Year 9), Great Hall, 13:30-15:20 Senior Strings McDonald's Performing Arts Challenge, 13:00 to 14:30	13 Boori Pryor incursion (Year 7), Great Hall, 13:30-15:20 Debating: Premier's Debating Challenge, Randwick GHS (Selected Years 7 and 8 students) Rugby: GPS v CNTY Trials, 2.30pm Rugby: GPS v ISA Trials, 4pm	14 *** Cross Country: Sydney East Carnival, Miranda Park, The Boulevarde, Miranda Cross Country: CIS Championships, Eastern Creek, 09:00 Red Cross Blood Drive (Y10-12)P3-P6 One Can Grow Initiative 08:00-10:00 yr 10, SBHS Years 10, 11 and 12 Assembly and Confirmation of	15 Red Cross Blood Drive (Y11-12)P1-6 Yr 10 Science Excursion to Luna Park 'Physics is fun' Football: Year 8 Camp, Outterside Centre Basketball: CHS K0 series Round of 16	16 Sport: SHS v SGS Cross Country: Trinity Relay, Ewen Park (09:00) Trial Fencing: School Championship U/13 Boys' Foil, Individual	17
9 A	18 Football: NSW All Schools Championships 8Ma1 class test, P2 Assessment task: Yr 11 AH P5, 404 Parent/Teacher Night (Years 9 and 12), Great Hall, 15:00-19:00	19 ICAS Writing Competition Football: NSW All Schools Championships Year 12 Latin Study Day Seminars Rugby: GPS v CAS, SIC OCMC meeting, Board Room, 17:00 Foundation Meeting, Board Room, 18:30	20 World Refugee Day Year 12 Study Day 9MaF class test, P1 High Resolves Year 9 School Service Project, Room 301, 13:00-15:10 Joint SBHS and SGHS P and C Meeting, Great Hall, 19:30-21:30	21 Year 12 Assessment Exams One Can Grow Initiative 12:30-14:30 yr 10, SGHS High Resolves Year 10 Community Action Project, Room 301, 13:10-15:00 Parent/Teacher Night (Years 7 and 11), Great Hall, 15:00-19:00	22 *** Year 12 Assessment Exams Year 11 English Extension Assessment Task in class, P2 One Can Grow Initiative 12:30-14:30 yr 10, SGHS Year 9 Geography Excursion, Pyrmont Debating: Premier's Debating Challenge, SBHS (Selected Years 7 and 8 students) Rugby: CHS v GPS, Knox Parking: Swans v Geelong	23 Fencing: School Championship U/13 Boys' Foil, Sabre, Epee Rugby: 1st XV v CS Parking: Qantas Wallabies v Wales	24
10 B	25 Attendance and Progress Review (all Years) Year 12 Assessment Exams Year 11 English Advanced Assessment Task in class, P6 One Can Grow Initiative 13:30-15:30 yr 10, SBHS Year 9 Science Excursion to Powerhouse museum	26 Year 12 Assessment Exams Athletics: Zone Carnival, ES Marks Field	27 *** Year 12 Assessment Exams Year 12 Geography excursion, St Andrew's Cathedral School Basketball: CHS K0 Final series One Can Grow Initiative 08:00-12:30 yr 10, SBHS Melbourne/Sydney Sporting Exchange,	28 *** Year 12 Assessment Exams Melbourne/Sydney Sporting Exchange,	29 *** Red Nose Day external collection (Y10-12) 6.15-9.15am One Can Grow Initiative 12:30-14:30 yr 10, SGHS Year 12 Assessment Exams Yr 12 intensive HSC VA master class all day in 609 Melbourne/Sydney Sporting Exchange,	30	1 Football: Southern Skies Tournament (1st XI)
1 A	16 Staff Development Day Rifle: GPS Shoot, Hornsby	17 School resumes Years 7-12 Rifle: GPS Shoot, Hornsby PDHPE: 1600m Run, Years 7 to 10 School Drama Festival, Great Hall, 11:00-13:00 OCMC meeting, Board Room, 17:00 Foundation Meeting, Board Room, 18:30	18 Rifle: GPS Shoot, Hornsby School Drama Festival, Great Hall, 19:00-21:00 Volleyball: CHS Final 16, Olympic Park (Year 12)	19 School Drama Festival, Great Hall, 11:00-13:00 Volleyball: CHS Final 16, Olympic Park (Year 12)	20 Cross Country: NSW All Schools Championships, Eastern Creek Years 7 and 10 vaccinations, Room 801, 09:00-12:54 Debating and Rifle Assembly, Great Hall, Period 1 One Can Grow Initiative 08:00-10:00 yr 10, SBHS Brainstorm Productions - Verbal Combat (Year 8), Great Hall, 14:00-15:20	21 Cross Country: SHS Invitation, Centennial Park (10:00) Fencing: School Championship U/15 Boys' Foil Teams Football: SHS v SJC	22 Parking: Sydney Swans v St Kilda