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*Year 10 VIII Boating in Melbourne.*



## Editor's Comments

The aim this year was to re-establish the continuity of the Record. I felt that it was of particular importance that an account of the activities within the school be reported on an annual basis. Con Barris did a marvellous job in 2006 of reinventing the tradition and my aim was to maintain this tradition.

Many thanks to all who have contributed to the Record 2007. Special recognition to Mark Gainford: without his help, experience and commitment, the task for me would have been very difficult; his efforts have been truly amazing! Jenny May has been a tremendous help with the photographs and art work.

Our Deputies, John Beringer and Robert Dowdell have made significant contributions, as have the Administration Staff, in particular Lorraine Molloy, who has done a wonderful job with the Valette.

To the staff, students and wider School family, your contributions are what the Record is all about; I thank you for your help and contribution.

P R Bigelow, Editor.



# Outstanding Academic Achievement

## Year 12 Semester 1

Congratulations to the following students who have been placed in the top 10% in each of their best ten units in the recent half-yearly assessments.

Edward DENG	Samuel SATHIAKUMAR
Jourdan HSIAO	Ravi SOMANCHI
David HU	Eugene STADNIK
Sriram JEYARAMAN	Jamie TAO
John LUU	David TRAN
Anthony MORRIS	Anthony WAN
Trong NGUYEN	Iain WANG
Anthony PARK	Leslie WONG
Ji-Kwang PARK	Louis YANG
Raymond ROCA	Kelvin YU

## Year 11 Semester 1

Michael BOCK	Bernard LUNG
William CHAN	Daniel PHAM
Daniel CHIM	Paul PHUAH
Jun DAI	Ricky RATNAYAKE
David FAN	Marco SUN
Darren HO	Andrew TANG
Anthony HUYNH	Dao Chen TONG
Albert KIM	Andrew TSE
Alvin LEUNG	Simin YANG
Nathan LIEU	Zhesu ZHANG
Ruiwen LIU	Justin ZUO

## Year 10 Semester 1

Razeen AHMED	Kang LIM
Timothy BURSTON	Victor Seng Yi LIM
Julian BYRNES	Daniel LO
Yiming CAO	Simon LU
Clement CHEN	Mark LUCCHITTI
Jack CHEN	Maxeem MIKHA
Jeffrey CHEN	David NAM
Patrick DESMOND	Kent NGUYEN
Matthew DINH	Nelson RIDGES
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Desmond HI	Daniel SHAN
Shah HUDA	Denis STOJANOVIC
Brandon JIANG	Wilson SZET
Christian KATSIKAROS	Joshua TASSELL
Vincent KHOU	Matthew TONG
Phillip KURTS	Jack WACHSMANN
Daniel LAMBERT	Thomas WILSON
Matthew LAU	Henry YU
Aolin LI	Timothy YU

## Year 9 Semester 1

Congratulations to the following boys in Year Nine whose excellent academic achievements in Semester 1 are recognised. Points were awarded as follows – High Distinction: 6, Distinction: 5, Credit: 3, Pass with Merit: 2 Pass: 1, with the qualifying total being 40.

Puneet BAWEJA	Shejil KUMAR
Richard BI	Ivan LI
Joseph BRAVERMAN	Andy LIU
Gareth CHAN	Yixin LIU
Justin CHAN	Daniel LUO
Dale CHEN	Robert MA
Brendan CHEUNG	Antony PAUL
Jason DING	Jeremy RAJENDRAM
Michael DO	Kevin SHENG
Matthew FONG	Nikita SLINKO
Adarsh GEORGE	Joshua SUTTON
Leo GORDON	Christopher TIN-LOI
James HAN	Mohit TUGNAIT
Patrick HSIAO	Michael WANG
Hugh HUANG	Nelson WANG
Clinton JIANG	Andrew WU
Rafat KAMAL	Stephen YOON

## Year 8 Semester 1

Congratulations to the following boys in Year Eight whose excellent academic achievements in Semester 1 are recognised. Points were awarded as follows – High Distinction: 6, Distinction: 5, Credit: 3, Pass with Merit: 2 Pass: 1, with the qualifying total being 43.

Nikhil AUTAR	Austin LY
Rahib AZWAD	Dominic NGUYEN
Samuel BESTON	Duy NGUYEN
Andrew CHAN	Kenneth NGUYEN
David CHAN	Jonah PETRIE
Kit Man CHENG	Michael PHUNG
Roy CHOWDHURY	Ashwin RUDDER
Maxwell CONNELL	Sujay SALAGAME
Thomas DIEP	Varun SETHI
Isaac EVELEIGH	Tahmid SHAHRIYAR
Andrew GAFFNEY	William SHAO
Andrew HAU	William STEFANIDIS
Dennis KIM	Jeffrey TANG
Nathan KOK	Vincent WANG
Vivian LE	Max WEI
Gordon LI	Michael WONG
Kevin LIN	Yale WONG
Wen Jia LIU	Anthony XU
Henry LU	Vinson ZHENG

### Year 7 Semester 1

Congratulations to the following boys in Year Seven whose excellent academic achievements in Semester 1 are recognised. Points were awarded as follows – High Distinction: 6, Distinction: 5, Credit: 3, Pass with Merit: 2 Pass: 1, with the qualifying total being 45.

Jonathan ADHIKA	Kenny LAU
William BAXTER	Gary LIANG
Maximilian BIRCH	Ennes MEHMEDBASIC
Adam CEH	Angus NG
Ming CHIN	Joel NG
Timothy CHIN	Michael NGUYEN
Bartholomew DANIELS	Ming PAN
Simon DO	Sooraj PRAKASH
Krishnendu DUTTA	Suman PRUSTY
Julian EDGTON	Andreas PURCAL
Derrick FOO	Shubash QUAZI
Harry HEO	Aman SAKSENA
William HO	Gavin SUTTON
Raymond HUA	Krishna VISVAA
Alexander HUGHES	Albert VU
Tejas IYER	Ben WILCOX
Max JONES	Kah-Yang WONG
Abeer KHAN	Peter WU
Jim KOUKOURAS	David ZENG
Patrick KRAKOVSKY	Michael ZHU



*Kelvin Yu at the Debating Assembly.*



*First Grade debaters in action.*

# Year Twelve Farewell Assembly

Good afternoon parents of Year 12, staff, students and the class of 2007 we are saying farewell to today. Welcome to you all. We set aside this assembly each year to celebrate the achievements of Year 12 and to enact a rite of passage to close their secondary schooling. This year had a strong group of scholars, had within it bonded teams of sportsmen, contained role models for others, generated leaders with initiative, worked as co-curricular groups, and functioned as organising committees and as parking and charity collectors.

The Year 12 accomplishments in 2007 included the continuing success of first grade volleyball at CHS and GPS level - undefeated in both competitions. Our first grade basketball made history in the CHS knockout, placing third. In an era of sports high schools, this was a very significant achievement. Ironically, the team that received the most public attention and about which I received several congratulatory letters and emails - was the First XV. One King's Old Boy from the 1930s was particularly impressed at the way our team stuck to the task right to the end. I want to thank the boys again for their courage and perseverance in what was a very difficult season. Our first grade debating team was a good thing beaten by a one-man band from Smiths Hill in the Hume Barbour final and unlucky in its GPS season. The CHS tennis team made it through to the CHS state knockout finals for the Stan Jones Cup.

I would like to honour several groups of Year 12 students today. To the keepers of High traditions, the boys I shall call 'double firsts' represent the epitome of dedication to the school's purposes because they put in so much extra time and effort in their HSC year to represent their school.

Dakshika Gunaratne played GPS combined cricket, medalled in athletics and played First XV rugby. Matthew Fetherston played First XI cricket, represented at combined GPS, swam for the school and was a stalwart in the First XV. Gehan Karunaratne played combined GPS football and First XI cricket. Tom Castleton was in the First XI cricket and football and represented in athletics. Michael Coutts featured in cricket, rugby and first debating. Aaron Shuttleworth was in First Grade

Football, Regional athletics and rowed in the Second VIII. Victor Nguyen played regional level volleyball and first grade basketball. Frank Jin played firsts rugby, medalled at athletics and played cricket. Others in the 'Double Firsts' are named in the farewell program.

Another group of boys, hardly held in any less esteem, I label the 'One-Two Club'. These boys also represented High in GPS sports at first grade and second grade level. David Kim was in the First VIII, the Second XV and the athletics team. Oliver Konakoff played state level volleyball and second grade basketball. Other notable one-two students were: Moussa Farhat (basketball and Rugby), Harry Walker (basketball and football), Alexander Vertoudakis (basketball and Rugby), Tasneef Rahman (cricket and rugby) Tom Hurrell (rowing and Rugby), Alexander Le (basketball and volleyball) and Louis Yang (cricket, Rugby and athletics).

Finally, a large group of boys 'the two sporters' represented their school in GPS competition.

Time does not permit me to name all fifty of them but I want to thank them all anyway. Their participation is what makes GPS sport in this school happen. Of significance among them were several multiple school representatives. Anthony Morris (Rugby, cricket, swimming and debating), Blaise Prentice-Davidson (cricket, football, debating), Joseph Lai (basketball, football, athletics), Nik Levanic (Rugby, cricket, athletics), Lachlan Deacon (cricket, Rugby, performance music) and Weiping Lu (basketball, volleyball, cadets) stand out.

I was inspired for my parting offering to Year 12 today by the words of Thich Nhat Hanh, a Vietnamese Buddhist monk. In "Being Peace" he writes: "There is a Zen story about a man riding a horse which is galloping very quickly. Another man, standing alongside the road, yells at him, where are you going?" and the man on the horse yells back, "I don't know. Ask the horse". I think that is our situation. We are riding horses that we cannot control." Although published twenty years ago, the monks' words relate to many examples of historical horses out of society's control.

I think a contemporary example is the so-

called 'War against Terror'. It is a horse we cannot control. Since the trigger of 9/11 we have allowed ourselves to gallop with George Bush into any country on the planet in search of terrorists allegedly trying to destroy democracy. The anti-terrorist horse has ridden rough shod over our own civil liberties, allowing imprisonment without trial, rendition and extraordinary government and police powers, couched in anti-terrorist legislation. Governments propagate the politics of anxiety, trying to make us see external and internal dangers so that we will leave it to them to keep us safe and so that we will acquiesce in allowing them to expand their powers over us. Ironically, bureaucracies and local councils are gradually restricting our individual freedom in the name of the security of us all.

As you leave High and your secondary education behind, I hope that you would all have the insight, the intellectual training and the courage, to challenge why society should mount these horses in the future without testing whether they are manageable or can be reined in when they wish to bolt. Without labouring the metaphor any longer, I trust you graduating students have the balance to see the other side's point of view,

beneath the rhetoric of the politicians. I know you can appreciate the poverty, the hopelessness, the political oppression and the sectarian violence fuelled by ideologies of hatred, that drive people to use terrorist tactics. Janis Joplin once sang "When you've got nothin' you've got nothin' to lose". The developing world's politics of despair oppose the decadence of the developed countries politics of fear. We are the ones who have everything to lose.

The most important Buddhist precept supposedly is to be aware, to know what is going on, not only here but also there. I exhort you all to take the broad view, to consider not only 'here' - the immediate personal, local and national interests, but also 'there' - the effects of our interests on others, globally. International empathy is in short supply. I trust the breadth and depth of your training will equip you to predict what the next scared horses will do and urge us as a society, not to mount. The future is in your hands. I wish you most sincerely all the best for the HSC and for your tertiary education and careers ahead. It really has been my pleasure to have been your Principal.

Dr. K.Jaggar



## Year 12 Farewell: Captain's Address

Happiness? Sadness ? Emptiness? What exactly should we fall upon leaving this school which has nurtured us, and which we have cherished over the last six years, and will continue to for many years to come. Happiness for the finality of a 13 year long drive to the HSC which at times has felt like an eternity. Sadness for saying goodbye to the sights and smells which we have been accustomed to for the last six years. Emptiness due to the independence, with which has come the absence of routine and direction which is synonymous with school life. It seems that nothing short of a mix of all these emotions will consume us as we farewell this great school which we, like the many before us, have proudly called ours for so long.

At the core of this school's greatness it seems is an ability to transform us as boys into men, of whom would all be proud to say "I wore the blue and brown." Much of this pride in itself stems from both the staff, who have taught us so much through the text books but more importantly their personalities, and through our fellow men. Through thick and thin we have grown individually and collectively, with lifelong relationships being forged along the way, which could have only come to fruition within the walls of Sydney High. Unfortunately, yet proudly so, it is the calibre of the Sydney High student which in some instances will limit the longevity of bonds, as it only takes an instant to realise that the confines of Sydney and even Australia could not contain the ambitions and potential of all the characters in this cohort

Undeniably so, we can be proud of claiming a wild array of such characters in our cohort. Whether it be the entertaining wide eyed extroverts that inhabit the turf, the hard working quiet achievers in the senior study, the rowdy sports fanatics on Moore Park West, we have them all. It is said that "much of the vitality in a friendship lies in the honouring of differences, not simply in the enjoyment of similarities" and for our year of 2007 this couldn't be more the case. It has been the diversity and differences in personality that have made the sometimes laborious task of coming to school day in day out, interesting and insightful.

On a personal level I can truly say that I have never felt more comfortable than in the blue and brown of Sydney high. Memories of arriving at school for morning training with the early rays of the sun yet to grace the grounds, and of training after school in the near complete darkness of a winter evening as the sun sets behind the city skyline. Memories of shedding sweat and tears on the basketball court, Rugby field and exam classes. And most importantly the memories of experiencing all these things with my brothers by my side, with whom over the last six years I have learnt more about others and myself than I could have ever wished to.

It is only fitting upon farewell High, that we give credit to all those, without whom, the day to day functions of the school would have been impossible. To the unparalleled, passionate staff, office ladies, canteen ladies, cleaners, groundskeepers, coaches, and many others, an enormous thankyou is required. To Miss Luthle and Mr Coan, our year advisors, a special thanks is in order, for providing us with much needed guidance and comfort in our years of growing and learning.

And so whilst it may seem that a chapter of our lives is about to close, I believe that the last six years have provided a strong foundation - the hardcover, and glossy pages upon which the rest of our lives will be written. As such no matter where we find ourselves in the decades to come, the great memories of the friends and environment which High School has provided will permeate forever through our lives, materialising in the way in which we conduct ourselves as individuals.

If ever, years from now, you my fellow peer, find yourself reading this, or glancing upon relics of these glory days, don't hesitate to re-ignite these present day flames which may seemingly distinguish over the years.

And so to the class of 2007, my friends, my brothers, I thankyou from the bottom of my heart for all the memories over the years.

Moussa Farhat, School Captain.



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**Second Row:** B.Q. Sun, L.N. Deacon, D.A. Gunaratne, L.X. Yang, S.S.F. Lou, H.N. Walker, R.S. Karunaratne, Y.G. Karunaratne, E. Stadnik, A. Lee.

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# Speech Night Address

Good evening. Guest of Honour, Paul Pearce MP, Ms Pam Peelgrane (School Education Director, Bondi), colleague Principals, distinguished guests, staff, family and friends, prize winners, old boys and the class of 2006 – welcome. The Year 12 students of 2006 were the first to complete their six years influenced by the grouping, scheduling and programming changes implemented in 2001. Many have benefited from structured subject acceleration. They have achieved unprecedented results for this school at the HSC and have been rightly praised for their efforts. I am certainly proud to have been their Principal.

Before commencing a summary of accomplishments during 2006, I must acknowledge the passing of three people who lost their personal battles with cancer since Speech Night last year: Ms Patricia O'Brien, a new arrival at High in English, former highly respected High languages teacher Lynne Guthrie, and most recently, much admired Head Teacher of Social Science, Phillip Day. We pay tribute to these colleague teachers for their efforts and to Lynne and Phil especially as long standing friends of High staff and old boys. They will be missed.

2006 marked the centenary of our membership of the AAGPS. We were denied entry in the first 14 years of the Association because we had no access to sporting fields. The issue of appropriate standard facilities for mass GPS competition has remained with us throughout the century. Reclaiming 19 acres of swamp as the McKay Fields in Centennial Park in the 1930s was a big step forward for cricket and rugby. The Outterside Centre at Abbotsford in the 1980s gave us competitive rowing facilities. The fine UTS-SBHS Stadium for basketball was built in the 1990s.

While not so grand as these, in the centenary year, we really tried to advance the quality of our on site facilities. The tennis court complex was completed and landscaped, financed by The Foundation. The new cricket nets were laid, and by Christmas Eve, the two new basketball courts were completed on The Flat, financed by an Investing in Our Schools grant.

Even the DET seemed to want to join in and celebrate - at last, after just 6 years of complaining the Great Hall toilets were refurbished and even

the blocked drain on The Flat was fixed! We widened our entrance gate laybacks, swung new gates, laid bitumen, planted trees and erected new signs on Cleveland St and Anzac Parade, the latter financed by the P & C. The most ambitious project was the erection of the Sir Roden Cutler Memorial Gates. We only really had enough to pay for the first stage of sandstone work as a result of our appeal 2003-2005 but the High Club's contribution made the vision of the completed gates come true in time for Sir Roden's birthday celebrations. I believe I am not alone in thinking the effort was worth the result, despite the cost. The Governor-General will dedicate the gates officially in May.

Two Ministers had a hand in the success of these projects. On your behalf I would like to ask Mr Pearce to pass on our thanks to Carmel Tebbutt (Minister for Education and Training) for her behind the scenes work with Christine Robertson MLC that shook up the bureaucracy and delivered the agreement on the tennis courts, allowing a deed of licence over state land; and John Dellabosca (Minister for Commerce) who assisted with sandstone at a discounted price through Heritage Services. The Sydney High School Foundation's Treasurer, Ken Clemens, ran all the dealings with the contractors as the voluntary delegate of our Government School Community Organisation handling the Commonwealth grant direct from Canberra. He cut out the state middle level bureaucrats to maximise value for money. Laurie Heil did a great job as part time Project Manager, saving us thousands of dollars in fees by chasing quotes, liaising with successful tenderers and overseeing the cricket net basketball courts' construction and landscaping.

The learning environment has improved internally too with data projector and smart board technology. The learning outcomes achieved by our students are high quality.

## The Higher School Certificate

With 210 students sitting the HSC, it was High's biggest cohort ever. Maintaining quality results in a cohort of that size is very difficult. There were 520 results at band 6 or equivalent earned by individuals.



Vinh Pham was 4th in the state in Extension 2 Mathematics, our 4th consecutive result at 4th place or better at the highest level of mathematics. Russell Rahman was 4th in Classical Greek. Evans Wang placed 6th in Software Design and Development. Nicholas Ng and Labib Rahman were 9th in English Advanced. Thomas Wong came 8th in Extension 1 Mathematics and Anthony Morris (Year 11) earned 10th place in Mathematics 2 unit. Thirty-one students made the All-Rounders List, ranking High equal 4th with SGHS with 3.88% of the overall group. Kaivan Vaidya earned 100 UAI. Impressively, at least 48 students had reported or calculated UAIs at 99 or better. The average UAI for 208 students was 92.46 with a SD of 9.31. In all 151 students earned 90 UAI or better. The UAIs below 80 were reduced to 8%. So far we know of the tertiary destinations of 192 of our students: 99 are heading for UNSW and 64 to the University of Sydney.

In picking out some highlight achievements for 2006 I want to acknowledge those I have omitted. Their deeds were recognised in High Notes or The Record.

#### **Academic Competitions**

Vinh Pham went to the International Mathematical Olympiad in Slovenia in the Australian team and won a bronze medal. Kaivan Vaidya won one of twelve medals awarded nationally for the Australian Geography Competition. Anthony Morris (Year 11) was

awarded a medal in the senior division of the Australian Mathematics Competition and one of only five prizes nationally in the Olympiad Contest. [This year he got the reserve blazer!] Albert Ng (Year 11) was selected as an Australian Science Olympiad Scholar. Eric Luu (Year 11) won a medal in the ICAS Writing Competition for the highest mark at his year level in the state. Stephen Garofano (Year 9) won the Human Rights Essay Competition -Junior Division. Ricky Cohn (Yr 8) won a medal for the highest score in his age group in NSW in the Computer Skills Competition. Jacob Cao, Jason Wong (Year 9) and Zhi Zu (Year 10) won medals for perfect scores in the Australian Financial Literacy Assessment. Twenty-two boys won prizes in the Australian Mathematics Competition. Thirteen students won prizes at the PwC Australian Economics and Business studies Competitions.

#### **Chess**

Our teams won the NSW Inter-School Junior Chess championship, the inaugural GPS Chess championship hosted by High and the Open and Junior Divisions of the Scots Invitational. Old boy Alex Feldman, working with Colin Harvey, has ramped up the image and success of Chess at High.

#### **Debating and Public Speaking**

High won the highly prized Louatt Shield for GPs debating. Sriram, Romesh and Faraz were a high quality team. Faraz Amin, Michael Coutts



*Guard of Honour*



*Alex Vertoudakis*

and Sriram Srikumar were selected in the CHS team. Sriram went away to the worlds with the successful Australian Schools Debating team. Dominic Bowes was awarded the Lily Gunther Trophy for Best Debater in the Junior state debating Championships. Our Year 8 team won the Janene Best Memorial Shield at Hurlstone Agricultural High. Kelvin Yu made it to the state final again for public speaking.

### **Music**

Paul Pang, Jason Kok and James Mackay were nominated for Encore. Paul was invited to perform at the Encore concert and at the Premier's awards yesterday and for us, tonight.

### **Sport**

High prides itself on its sportsmen-scholars. The stand out performance was the open volleyball team. They won the GPS premiership, the CHS knockout, the NSW State championship and despite a couple of key injuries, a bronze medal in the Australian Championships in Melbourne. Seven boys represented Sydney East Region. Oliver Konakoff was selected in the CHS and Australian U19 teams.

Other good team results were:

- The 17 years cross country team won a bronze medal at the All Schools Carnival the U 16 4 x 100 relay team, winning a CHS bronze medal.
- Five of our students were members of the Australian Defence Force Rifle team that participated in England against international cadet units. Sergeant Ho and Corporal Lam won gold medals and Cadet Wu silver.
- In sailing High retained the Joint Coal Board Trophy for Pacers at CHS.
- Senior High Fencing won bronze in the A.J. Rae Invitational

### **Notable individual performances include:**

Andrew Leung representing Australia in the junior team at the world Karate-Do Championships.

Roger Burrell NSW All Schools Open Shot Put.

Justin James CHS bronze medal - 3000 metres.

Dakshika Gunaratne CHS bronze medal U-17 110 metres hurdles.

Christopher Budd 3rd in the individual point score at the GPS shoot.

Phillip Kurts CHS 4.7 Laser title and Tri-

Series. 2nd NSW Sabot Championships

### **GPS representatives**

Gehan Karunaratne and Adrian Jeyendra combined GPS cricket.

Christopher Budd and Christopher Lam GPS target rifle shooting.

### **Farewell to Year 12**

In closing, I offer my annual self-indulgence of a few words of advice to the departing Year 12 prize winners. Two hundred years ago, the Romantic Poets in England were concerned about the effects on traditional society and nature of the Industrial and French Revolutions. The opening octet in William Wordsworth's Sonnet 33 published in 1807 has always impressed me. It reads:

The world is too much with us; late and soon,  
Getting and spending, we lay waste our powers:  
Little we see in Nature that is ours;  
We have given our hearts away, a sordid boon!  
This sea that bares her bosom to the moon;  
The winds that will be howling at all hours,  
And are up-gathered now like sleeping  
flowers;  
For this, for everything, we are out of tune;  
It moves us not.

I don't think old Bill would be too happy about our atmospheric carbon count climbing 75% in a couple of centuries, or about global warming or about us saying that the economy comes before clean coal technology as a condition precedent for all coal exports. I doubt he would have much sympathy with the view that the doubling of electricity or water bills is electorally unpalatable, so pragmatically we will delay mandating increased green energy alternatives, recycling, starting desalination or deciding on nuclear power stations. Our continuing selfish pursuit of individual wealth and happiness might just be robbing future individuals of opportunities to pursue theirs. Wordsworth thought as much two hundred years ago. We did not put the planet first then; we are not putting it first now. Let us hope that as future leaders and shapers of policy, you will. We all need to be moved like Wordsworth to make the earth habitable in 2207.

Congratulations on your awards and good luck for your futures!

Dr Jaggar

**SPEECH NIGHT**  
and  
**ANNUAL PRIZE GIVING**  
Tuesday 20 February, 2007 7.30 pm

Occasional address by Paul Pearce, MLA  
Member for Coogee  
Class of 1973

**ACADEMIC AWARDS**  
**HSC**

<b>Headmaster's Prize and Warnecke Trophy for DUX</b> German	Kaivan Vaidya
<b>Prize for Second (<i>aeq</i>)</b> <b>G. C. Saxby Prize for Mathematics Extension 2</b> <b>Henry F. Halloran Diamond Jubilee Prize for Chemistry</b> <b>The Alan C. Corner Prize for Physics</b>	Vinh Pham
<b>Prize for Second (<i>aeq</i>)</b> <b>Advanced English</b> <b>English Extension 1</b>	Labib Rahman
<b>Prize for Second (<i>aeq</i>)</b> <b>A. B. Piddington Prize for English</b>	Nicholas Ng
<b>Prize for Second (<i>aeq</i>)</b>	Aaron Chan
<b>Mathematics (2 unit)</b> <b>Sir Charles Winston Prize for Geography</b>	Anthony Morris
<b>H. C. Fisk Prize for Ancient History</b> <b>History Extension</b>	Lewis d'Avigdor
<b>Music 2</b> <b>Music Extension</b>	Paul Pang
<b>Dr F. W. Doak Prize for Latin</b>	Kevin Kim
<b>Latin (Extension)</b>	Phillip Roser
<b>English Extension 2</b>	Adam Farrow-Palmer
<b>Music 1</b>	Richard Xu
<b>Legal Studies</b>	Blake Angell

## **HSC**

<b>Mathematics Extension 1</b>	Thomas Wong
<b>Software Design</b>	Evans Wang
<b>Frank S. Bradhurst Prize for Biology</b>	Angelo Lu
<b>Clarrie Martin Memorial Prize for Modern History</b>	Moussa Farhat
<b>Business Studies</b>	Long Chen
<b>Paul Griffiths Prize for Economics</b>	Tanvir Uddin
<b>Chinese (Continuers)</b>	David Cao
<b>Chinese (Extension)</b>	Henry Liu
<b>The Chancellor's Prize for Classical Greek</b>	Mushfiq Rahman
<b>Sir Earle Page Prize for French</b>	Stephen Burke
<b>The Class of 1937 Prize for Visual Arts</b>	Ramesh Nithiyendran
<b>M. G. Speedy Prize for Engineering Studies</b>	Yuk-Lun Yeung

## **PRELIMINARY**

<b>Keith C. Cameron Memorial Prize for DUX</b> <b>University of NSW Prize for Economics (aeq)</b> <b>F. A. Elgar Prize for French</b> <b>Modern History</b>	Raymond Roca
<b>University of NSW Prize for Economics (aeq)</b>	Jamie Tao
<b>C. W. Wick Prize for Physics</b> <b>Classical Greek</b>	Eugene Stadnick
<b>P &amp; C Prize for Second</b> <b>Business Studies</b>	Sriram Jeyaraman
<b>Prize for Third</b> <b>SHOB Rugby Club Prize for Chemistry</b>	David Hu
<b>English Advanced</b> <b>F. A. Elgar Prize for English Extension</b>	Blaise Prentice-Davidson
<b>K. Saxby Prize for Mathematics</b> <b>Mathematics Extension 1</b>	Anthony Morris
<b>J. Manchester Prize for Biology</b>	Clement Lee

<b>Legal Studies</b>	Kelvin Yu
<b>Ancient History</b>	Benjamin Liu
<b>Geography</b>	Nicholas Lochner
<b>Chinese (Community)</b>	Jing Wang
<b>Latin</b>	Lachlan Deacon
<b>German</b>	Amadeus Klocker
<b>Engineering Science</b>	Patrick Chen
<b>Software Design</b>	Aditya Keswani
<b>Visual Arts</b>	Thomas Hurrell
<b>Music 2</b>	Muhamed Mehmedbasic
<b>Personal Development, Health and Physical Education</b>	James Pham

## **YEAR 10**

<b>Sir Frederick Jordan Memorial Prize for DUX</b> <b>H. A. Coss Prize for English</b> <b>Geography</b> <b>Commerce</b>	Simon Liu
<b>University of Sydney Year 10 Academic Excellence Award (2nd in Yr 10)</b>	Alvin Leung
<b>Mathematics</b> <b>German</b>	David Fan
<b>P &amp; C Prize for Third</b> <b>History</b>	Albert Kim
<b>French</b> <b>The George Hillary Smith QC Prize for French</b>	Yiming Deng
<b>Science</b>	William Chan
<b>History Elective Combined</b>	Lucian Tan
<b>Edgar Bembrick Memorial Prize for Latin</b>	Jun Dai
<b>Chinese (Community)</b>	Howard Gu
<b>Chinese (Foreign)</b>	Anthony Huynh
<b>Technical Drawing</b>	Kevin Lam

<b>The Meakin Prize for Design &amp; Technology</b>	Ben Tseng
<b>Architecture and Building Design</b>	Anthony Ho
<b>Visual Arts</b>	Paul Phuah
<b>Drama</b>	Ivan Cerecina
<b>Music</b>	Brian Lau
<b>Personal Development, Health and Physical Education</b>	Jason Cohn

## **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>Classical Greek</b> <b>Latin</b>	Thomas Wilson
<b>P &amp; C Prize for Second</b>	Edward Lu
<b>Phillip Seymour Prize for Third</b>	Yiming Cao
<b>Commerce</b> <b>Geography</b>	Matthew Lau
<b>German</b> <b>Technical Drawing</b>	Samuel Wan
<b>Science</b>	Danny Lam
<b>Mathematics</b>	Jeffrey Wong
<b>History</b>	Stephen Garofano
<b>History Elective</b>	Christopher Evans
<b>Visual Arts</b>	Bryant Apolonio
<b>French</b>	Mark Lucchitti
<b>Chinese (Foreign)</b>	James Lee
<b>Chinese (Community)</b>	Shorson Zhang
<b>Drama</b>	Beau Greenslade
<b>Design &amp; Technology</b>	Daniel Lo
<b>Music</b>	Dickson Wu

**Architecture and Building Design**

Nevin Spoljaric

**Personal Development, Health and Physical Education**

Brian Lau

## **YEAR 8**

**F. A. Elgar Prize for DUX  
English**

Joshua Sutton

**P & C Prize for Second**

Yixin Liu

**Doris M. Gray Prize for Third**

Hugh Huang

**History  
Latin**

Kevin Sheng

**German  
Geography**

Gareth Chan

**Mathematics**

Jeffrey Lam

**Science**

Puneet Baweja

**Chinese (Foreign)**

Daniel Huang

**French**

Adarsh George

**Chinese (Community)**

Adrian Zhang

**Classical Greek**

Ivan Li

**Music**

Guangzhi Niu

**Visual Arts**

Joseph Braverman

**Design and Technology**

Anirban Ghose

**Personal Development, Health and Physical Education**

Leo Gordon

## **YEAR 7**

**Gordon Barr Memorial Prize for DUX  
English (*aeq*)  
German  
French  
History**

Samuel Beston

**P & C Prize for Second  
Science  
Classical Greek  
Geography  
Visual Arts**

Max Wei

<b>Doris M. Gray Prize for Third</b>	Dominic Nguyen
<b>English (<i>aeq</i>)</b>	Kumudika Gunaratne
<b>Latin</b>	Ryan Caetano
<b>Mathematics</b>	Dennis Kim
<b>Music</b>	David Chan
<b>Design and Technology</b>	David Nguyen
<b>Personal Development, Health and Physical Education</b>	Andrew Huynh

## SPECIAL PRIZES

<b>The John Waterhouse Prize</b> <i>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.</i>	Adam Farrow-Palmer
<b>The Robert Outterside Prize</b> <i>to a Year 12 student who has distinguished himself in Mathematics and Rugby</i>	Gajaba Manamperi
<b>The Caltex Best All Rounder Award</b> <i>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.</i>	Samuel Gribble
<b>The Oswald Chapman Memorial Prize</b> <i>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.</i>	Edward Pham
<b>James Brunton Gibb Prize for Public Speaking</b> <i>to a Year 12 student who excels in the art of public speaking,</i>	Sriram Srikumar
<b>The Peter H. Cappe Memorial Prize</b> <i>to honour a Year 12 student who has distinguished himself throughout his School career by outstanding achievement and contribution to the School,</i>	Chong Shao
<b>The Lennie Basser Award for Scientific Initiative</b> <i>to a senior student who demonstrated outstanding scientific initiative and leadership in a school based (or sponsored) practical or skill based activity,</i>	Romesh Abeysuriya
<b>The K. J. Andrews Award</b> <i>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,</i>	Francis Wong
<b>The Old Boys’ Prize</b> <i>to the student who was “not necessarily first in sport, not necessarily first in scholarship, but certainly first in the hearts of his fellows”.</i>	Yuk-Lun Yeung
<b>The 1958 Merit Award</b> <i>to a Year 12 student in just recognition of his sound character and overall performance in studies, sport and other activities</i>	Blake Angell



- The 1977 Year 12 Prize for Excellence** Andrew Leung  
*to a student who has excelled in an area/s outside school activities*
- The J. W. Gibbes Senior School Prize** Kevin Kim  
*to a Year 12 student for proficiency in Latin, qualities of leadership and devotion to duty in relation to GPS sport*
- The J. W. Gibbes Junior School Prize** Jun Dai  
*to a Year 10 student for proficiency in the Humanities - Classics, English and History – soundness of character and interest in GPS sport*
- Phil Ainsworth Memorial Prize** James Morgan  
*to a Year 12 student 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, cultural and sporting activities.*
- Headmaster's Award for Outstanding Achievement in the Arts** Paul Pang  
*for a significant contribution to the Arts, not necessarily within the School and whose art work or performance has been selected for Art Express or Encore*
- Headmaster's Award for Achievement in the Arts** Richard Xu, James McKay, Raymond Roca  
*to students whose art work has been set aside for possible selection in Art Express or Encore*
- The Michael Goodwin Memorial Prize** Argyha Gupta  
*given in acknowledgment of courage shown in the face of adversity*
- Reuben F. Scarf Foundation Prize** Harry Song  
*For consistent effort and desire to improve.  
Prize donated each year by the R. F. Scarf Memorial Foundation*
- The Class of 1991 Prize** Edward Hibbert  
*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*
- Senior Prize for Creativity** Ramesh Nithiyendran  
*awarded to a Year 12 student in recognition of the outstanding creativity and risk taking evident in their art work*
- Special Staff Prize** Joe Banh, Eddie Blaxell  
*to a student for the consistent generous sacrifice of time and invaluable contribution to the School*
- Carol Hardy Memorial Prize** Chong Shao  
*to a senior student for his contribution to music and other aspects of school life*
- The Captain John Fittler Memorial Prize** Victor Wei  
*awarded to the student who displays unwavering devotion to any cause that serves the ideals and ethos of the school, above and beyond the call of duty*
- The Deputy Principals' Prizes** David Cao  
Lewis d'Avigdor  
*to students who give valuable service to the school*

**John Francis Bush Memorial Prize**

Moussa Farhat

to a Year 11 student for popularity, general character and general proficiency in School and sport

**J.M. and W.G. Forsythe Memorial Prize**

Harrison Reid

to a Year 10 student 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 Ross Miller Memorial Award**

Kogulan Sriranjana

*To a Year 10 student judged to be the best all-rounder.  
This Award is given in memory of an Old Boy and teacher in the School.*

**The Brian Allsop Memorial Prize**

Nelson Ridges

*to an outstanding Junior School sportsman who displays the attributes of sportsmanship,  
courage and modesty*

**Le Prix Roger Peyrefitte**

Mark Lucchitti

*to a student in any year who has demonstrated talent in, and enthusiasm  
for both Litterae (Latin/Greek) and French*

**The Class of 2001 Prize for Outdoor Education**

Jack Wachsmann

*In recognition of a student who has demonstrated enthusiasm for and commitment to outdoor education.  
The aim of the prize is to aid the student in achieving success in the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme.*

**Junior Prize for Public Speaking**

John Aclis

**The S. & P. Tzannes Prize**

Samuel Beston

*To a Year 7 student of sound character, proficient in academic studies, sport and cultural activities.  
The recipient should also display a willingness to subordinate his own interests to those of the School  
and his fellow students.*

**The Mitchell A. Seow Memorial Prize**

Naziful Islam

*to honour a Year 12 student who is a caring friend to all, never lets his friends or team mates down and  
has the admiration of his peers and teachers alike, putting 100% effort into a diverse range of endeavours*

## DEBATING AWARDS

**Year 12**

Romesh Abeysuriya

**Year 11**

Kelvin Yu

**Year 10**

Dominic Bowes

**Year 9**

Christopher Evans

**Year 8**

Antony Paul

**Year 7**

Nikhil Autar

## **THE PETER WALKER AWARDS FOR ENGLISH LITERATURE**

<b>Year 12</b>	Nicholas Ng
<b>Year 11</b>	Patrick Chen
<b>Year 10</b>	Nathan Kwok
<b>Year 9</b>	Louis Appleton
<b>Year 8</b>	Antony Paul
<b>Year 7</b>	Kumudika Gunaratne

## **P & C AWARDS**

<b>Outstanding Contribution to the Senior Concert Band</b>	Adam Farrow-Palmer
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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.*

<b>Year 12</b>	Stephen Burke
<b>Year 11</b>	Matthew Fetherston
<b>Year 10</b>	Varan Perananthan
<b>Year 9</b>	Patrick Desmond
<b>Year 8</b>	Andrew Blomberg

## **SYDNEY HIGH CADET UNIT**

<b>Most Efficient Cadet</b>	Cdt Benjamin Lu
<b>Most Efficient Junior NCO</b>	Cpl Johan Santoso
<b>Most Efficient Senior NCO</b>	Sgt Weiping Lu
<b>Colonel Duffy Sword of Honour for Most Efficient CUO</b>	CUO Christopher Budd

### **Australian Defence Leadership and Teamwork Award**

<b>Year 12</b>	Victor Wei
<b>Year 11</b>	Sundee Wason
<b>Year 10</b>	Nathan McDonnell

## STUDENT AWARDS SCHEME

### **Regional Director's Award for Student Participation**

Blake Angell  
Roger Burrell

David Cao  
Adam Farrow-Palmer

### **School Trophy**

Romesh Abeysuriya  
Faraz Amin  
Blake Angell  
Joe Banh  
Eddy Blaxell  
Stephen Burke  
Roger Burrell  
David Cao  
Engleman Chau  
Long Chen  
Adam Farrow-Palmer  
Sam Gribble  
Dinuka Gunasekera  
Augustine Ha  
Edward Hibbert  
Anthony Huynh  
Raymond Huynh  
Adrian Jeyendra  
Kevin Kim

Amadeus Klocker  
Joon Kwon  
Samuel Lee  
Michael Levy  
James Morgan  
Nathan McDonnell  
Labib Rahman  
Malik Razeen  
Thariq Razeen  
Phillip Roser  
Chong Shao  
Sriram Srikumar  
Sahir Syed  
Tanvir Uddin  
Kaivan Vaidya  
Victor Wei  
Ashan Wijeyaratne  
Alan Wong  
Francis Wong

### **School Plaque**

Christopher Budd  
Aaron Chan  
Douglas Chang  
Chung Ho  
Martin Lunney

Gregory Nguyen  
Quinton Yang  
Yuk-Lun Yeung  
Michael Zhou

## SPORTING AWARDS

### **SGHS Cup for Games and Sportsmanship**

Sam Gribble

### **The UNSW Cricket Club Batting Award**

Gehan Karunaratne

### **The Tom Rushall Prize for Participation and Service to Sport**

### **W. W. Ivo Wyatt Memorial Trophy for Senior Swimming**

Andrew Reis

### **Claude Tressider Trophy for 100m Breaststroke**

### **A. C. McKibbin Trophy for Cricket**

Adrian Jeyendra

### **John Skyring Cross Memorial Cup for Outstanding Sportsmanship**

Francis Wong

### **David Brunton Gibb Prize for Soccer**

Lewis d'Avigdor

### **The Prize for Outstanding Contribution to Rowing**

Chong Shao

<b>Frank Albert Cup for Senior Athletics Champion</b>	Dakshika Gunaratne
<b>McArthur Memorial Cup for 1500 Athletics Champion</b>	Justin James
<b>Alan Kippax Trophy for Rugby</b>	Gajaba Manamperi
<b>The Warrick Segal Memorial Prize for Sportsmanship and Fellowship</b>	Eddy Blaxell
<b>Peter Cady Trophy for Rowing</b>	Blake Angell
<b>Rifle Club Championship Cup</b>	Christopher Budd
<b>Most Improved Rower</b>	Koeun Na
<b>William Soothill Memorial Trophy for Basketball</b>	Harry Walker
<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>	James Morgan
<b>“Doc” Bentivoglio Memorial Prize</b> <i>to a member of the Junior School for outstanding performance and sportsmanship in Rugby and Rowing</i>	David Vien

## CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONS

<b>Open</b>	Justin James		
<b>17 years</b>	Roshan Karunaratne	<b>14 years</b>	Jeremy Ireland
<b>16 years</b>	Ty Linegar	<b>13 years</b>	Vlad Boulavine
<b>15 years</b>	Edwin Montoya	<b>12 years</b>	Pasan Pannila

## ATHLETICS CHAMPIONS

<b>Open</b>	Dakshika Gunaratne		
<b>16 years</b>	Ty Linegar	<b>13 years</b>	Derek Trang
<b>15 years</b>	Lachlan Street	<b>12 years</b>	Michael Phung
<b>14 years</b>	Joshua Tassell		

## SWIMMING CHAMPIONS

<b>Open</b>	Andrew Reis		
<b>16 years</b>	Anton Komarov	<b>13 years</b>	Andrew Ye
<b>15 years</b>	Alexander Belokopytov	<b>12 years</b>	Tim Gollan
<b>14 years</b>	Jeffrey Jiang		

## SPORTING AWARDS

<b>The G. C. Saxby Shield for House Competition</b>	Rubie
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## SPORTS BLUES

**BASKETBALL** – Harry Walker  
**CRICKET** – Adrian Jeyendra, Gehan Karunaratne  
**ATHLETICS** – Justin James, Roger Burrell  
**VOLLEYBALL** – Oliver Konakoff, Victor Nguyen, Terry Ly

## Vale Phillip Day – Teacher, Churchman 1948-2007

The teaching profession recently lost an exceptional teacher. The extraordinary capacity to engage with young people and to inspire them was only one achievement of Phillip Day. As teacher of Economics and then Head Teacher Social Science he demonstrated a capacity to have a significant and lasting influence on the lives of those he taught and was the embodiment of teaching as a very noble profession.

Alexander the Great was once asked who was more important to him, his father or his teacher. Alexander who was taught by Aristotle answered “To my father I owe my life but to my teacher I owe my education”.

Those who were taught by or knew “P.J.” Day know what this means - the education in all aspects of life he gave them enriched their lives. One could say he lived the African concept of ubuntu, becoming a greater person through the relationships with and the achievements of other people.

A well known personality in Sydney’s Eastern Suburbs, Phillip John Day was born in Sydney to Neville and Norma Day. He attended Randwick Public School then Sydney Boys High School where he was in the last cohort of the Leaving Certificate in 1965 prior to the introduction of the Wyndham Scheme which added a sixth year to high school education.

Phil was representative of the post war baby boomers in that like many school graduates of the 60s he was the first in his family to attend university, gaining a Teachers’ Scholarship to study a Bachelor of Commerce at University of NSW followed by a Diploma of Education at Alexander Mackie Teachers College. Teacher scholars at this time were bonded to the Department of Education to facilitate staffing of country schools and thus like many of his peers, Day was sent west to ‘do’ his country service, in his case in 1969 to Murrumburrah Central School. Two years later Phil was appointed to Vauluse High School then gained promotion as Head Teacher Social Science at Canterbury Boys High School. In 1984 he transferred as Head Teacher to his alma mater Sydney High where he would spend the following 23 years as an inspiration to generations of students.



In the words of an ex student: “He was a great man, whose reach and influence will impact generations of Australians. Can there be a better legacy?”

He was sought after for Economics coaching in the Eastern Suburbs and he progressively coached whole families of students who in turn recommended him to others. A number of private schools offered him promotion positions but he remained committed to public education of which he was a product.

Phil was a ‘renaissance man’, bon vivant and gourmet with a passion for coffee, dining, theatre, cinema, and classical and religious music. He was always impeccably turned out and loved the arts. His house was rich with paintings and music. His world resembled in size that of a Renaissance city, its boundaries limited by the Opera House to the north, the airport to the south, and Surry Hills restaurant belt to the west with occasional forays to go to dinner with friends, who foolishly in Phil’s view, chose not to live in the Eastern Suburbs.

Phil’s attitude to other people was a product of a strong Christian faith. His lifelong involvement with the church started when he became a server at St Jude’s Anglican Church Randwick. At 16 he was the youngest head server managing the St Jude’s Servers Guild until he went to teach in the country. He was churchwarden, member of a number of church groups including the Sydney Committee of the Anglican Board of Missions and

Anglican Catholic Renewal. In the early 80s he moved his spiritual home to the inner city St James Anglican Church in King St Sydney enjoying its expression of Catholic Anglican worship and fellowship of the Guild of St Raphael. Phil never made it to ordination but through his teaching he exercised a significant ministry to a vast cross section of people.

He put his beliefs into practice in caring for his mother Norma when she developed cancer and then his father Nev who was blind in the latter part of his life.

Phil was known as 'an extraordinary character'. A joke among his ex students and friends was that if you tried to walk with Phil in Bondi Junction (and Hastings Street Noosa for that matter), it would take you almost an hour to cover 100 metres for he would run into so many people - "hey Phil, hi Mr Day, Sir - how are you" and he would stop and ask after you, and ask about your parents, your son, your daughter, your sister, your brother, your UAI, your studies, your work, your sport and any movies you'd seen recently. When Phil asked "How are you?" - he actually meant it and wanted to know and cared about the answer. He was well known at Clovelly Beach along the northern rocks and was such a regular at Bill and Tony's in Stanley Street that at his funeral they set up their portable coffee machine in the crypt of St James to shout his friends one last coffee (as "made in heaven") on Phil's behalf.

Phil loved to travel but despite many trips to Europe, to USA and to Asia, his linguistic abilities were limited to macchiato, affogato, yum cha, chicken cacciatore and shabat shalom.

He was also known for his astonishing capacity to make and keep friends. He had 19 godchildren and his love of the beach, the ocean and the Australian summer lives on in his nephews Blair and Alastair and niece Charlotte who are part of the South Coast Surf Life Saving fraternity.

Towards the end of 2005 he was diagnosed with cancer and subsequently medically retired. A series of retirement dinners followed and past students, many highly successful professionals, stood to applaud him.

A reference written by ex students said:



*It is with great joy that we write this reference for Philip Day. We had the pleasure of being taught by Phil at some point in time over the 36 years he worked as a teacher at Sydney Boys High School. A place that he dearly loved and a place that dearly loved him. Phil always showed interest in our lives and it was this interest that made us feel comfortable being open and honest with him. His great sense of humour removed the distance between teacher and student and made him a friend to all that spent time with him. Phil didn't just teach us the syllabus, he taught us how to be respectful young men and we are forever in his debt for this*

*Signed*

*Sydney High Old Boys (everywhere!)*

As news that his health had deteriorated spread, over 500 tributes and cards from ex colleagues, ex students and their parents were received in just a 2 week period. The glorious requiem eucharist at St James Anglican Church in Sydney was standing room only and attended by an estimated 1100 consisting of predominantly young and not so young men who wished to pay tribute to this significant and inspirational teacher who had made an indelible impression on their lives.

It was a hot day and while those present stood three deep sweltering in their suits and jackets, it is now known that Phil chose to take the final journey dressed in a polo shirt, shorts and boat shoes as he was confident that he would find a beachside coffee shop in heaven.

Phil is survived by brother Ross and his wife Kim and their children Blair, Alastair and Charlotte.

Con Barris, Terry O'Brien

# ANZAC Day

Everywhere we look ANZACs are part of our society. Our great school sits on the road known as “Anzac Parade”; a popular Australian snack is the “Anzac Biscuit”. Everywhere you look, even to the most minute detail, ANZACs are being remembered. Yet we cannot thank them enough.

We meet here today, not to celebrate battle or glorify war, but to remember those men, barely older than we are, who have served our country during conflict and crisis. They were pawns in a great war, sent overseas for a reason beyond their own understanding, yet their act of selflessness and courage is one of the reasons why we gather here today. We also remember those who served on the home front, supplying material and morale strength to our forces, for theirs was no lesser service to Australia.

The young men of Gallipoli were the first ANZACs, ordinary young Australians doing their best in a campaign of intense ferocity. Their casualties were horrendous, nearly 8,000 Australians were killed, and 78,000 wounded at Gallipoli, and to what end? The campaign was a failure, and yet of all the battlefields on which Australians died, it is the disastrous Gallipoli campaign that has come to symbolise the Australian soldier's courage, determination, prowess and mateship. The essence of Gallipoli was that in the face of adversity and potential defeat, the Australian spirit triumphed. The pride and grief of Australia following Gallipoli formed a bond, so strong that it made a statement to the world that we had come of age and that our armed forces and our people were truly now of one nation. By coming together on April 25th each year, this spirit of national unity is rekindled.

Australia today is relatively still a young country, but much has changed from that land from which the original ANZACs sailed. It, however, remains a country in which we are free of oppression and tyranny to choose our future and establish our place in the world. The ANZACs fought against this threat for their freedom and for generations after them.

Joshua Hui

ANZAC is a title synonymous with war, yet the legacy our ANZACs left was and continues to be one of peace. Aristotle once said “We make war that we may live in peace.” As a result of the ANZACs' efforts in war, it is difficult for us as modern day youths to totally appreciate the sacrifices made by our troops for more than a century. The peace and freedom that they have afforded to us has become expected and we often take for granted what others worldwide long to have.

War has not ended, in fact we are more exposed to it than ever before with unrestricted broadcasting subjecting us to horrific images that, while being commonplace in war torn regions such as Iraq and Afghanistan, are very foreign to us. While the media presents these images, as Australians it is at our discretion whether or not we chose to simply put down the newspaper or turn off the television. For many of us, war has become a non-issue in our lives. The reality of the continuing conflicts worldwide is irrefutable, however in many cases the fact that war does not pose a direct threat means that it has become of little importance in our lives. For this, we owe thanks to our ANZACs.



*The School Captain, Moussa Farhat.*





*Anzac Day Assembly.*

While war has changed, its consequences have not. It is not in our experience to be wary of car-bombs, to witness horrific gunfire or to be constantly aware of the torture we and our loved ones may be subject to at any moment. Men, women and children - be they innocent civilians or the insurgents which have come to characterize modern warfare, are killed on a daily basis. Entire communities are torn apart by both the mental and physical sense of loss. With the minor contact we have with war, our understanding of these atrocities has been diminished.

The horrendous conditions faced by our valiant troops were such that words could not adequately describe them. The traumas endured would leave any person that partook in any war with images and memories that would haunt them for the rest of their lives. For this sacrifice, for their selfless demonstration of what it means to be Australian, we owe thanks to our ANZACs. The ANZACs lived, fought and died for what they believed was the Australian way of life. They fought side by side with their mates often against terrible odds, to achieve the freedom we now enjoy, and to leave a legacy which to this day stands as peace. For this, we owe thanks to our ANZACs.

Lachlan Street

Today we commemorate, not those that have died but those that will live forever. Not only in the pages of history that we read today, but in our

culture, and our hearts. We often remember the blood that fell on the fronts of Gallipoli, but the tears that fell unheard and unseen are often forgot. Families knew not what had become of their loved ones. Their fathers, sons, brother and friends, they were not the dead, they were the missing. They were the faceless bodies that littered Gallipoli. For it is true that in time of peace the son buries the father, it is only in times of war that the father buries the son.

As war waged on the fronts of Gallipoli, broken families fought yet another battle. Theirs



*Lachlan Street at the Anzac Day Assembly.*

was not one of guns and shell fire, but the struggle to survive in a time of uncertainty. Faced with the possibility of losing a loved one, families feared the worst. For many these fears left the abstract and became the reality. We do not pretend to understand the pain that they suffered, for we can not. Instead we remember their sacrifice and their pain. Despite their losses, they fought on. The country could have quickly fallen into disrepair. But it was the mothers and daughters that rose to the challenge. Whether they joined the workforce, or made care packages every woman contributed to the war effort. For that we credit them.

Forget not what the war had taken from Australian families. For where there was once a brother or son, there was now emptiness. Think first of the pain of losing a loved one, to a cause you do not fully comprehend. Feel the confusion, the anger and pain; then the struggle to continue living life. There is no warmth, only despair. Your family once a source of love and care is now but a reminder of your loss. But as the slow days drag to months, and those months into years the feeling returns. It is now that through your sorrow, there is pride. For they sacrificed who they were, for who we would become.

David Vien

## Remembrance Day

On the Eleventh Hour of the Eleventh Day of the Eleventh Month of 1918, the guns fell silent on the western front. The armistice would close a chapter on a war which had not only killed indiscriminately, taking millions of soldiers and civilians from both sides, but also on a war in which death and destruction were exceptionally brutal. To quote from John Morrow:

Nurses witnessed and handled *"limbs which shrapnel had torn about and swollen into abnormal shapes, from which yellow pus poured when the bandages were removed, which were caked with brown blood, and in whose gangrenous flesh loose bits of bone had to be sought for painfully with probes."* An ambulance driver noted the "stench" of her ambulance each morning as she cleaned out "the pools of stale vomit," the "blood and mud and vermin," and the excreta of the previous day's passengers.

Although these images still shock today, soldiers on either side of the conflict had to endure these conditions. Remembrance Day is an opportunity to remember those who lost their lives, and to honour those who fell in battle, half a world away, fighting for what they believed in.

One of the things about a war that kills 10 million people is that it dehumanises the conflict; as Stalin famously put it: *"one death is a tragedy, a million deaths is a statistic"*. 61 919, a full stadium's worth, of Australians lost their lives in the service of their country. These men were only a few years older than you or I, and should have

been enjoying the company of their friends and loved ones, at the beach, playing sport or just kicking back and enjoying life; instead they were enduring atrocious conditions, cold, hunger and lice, and the constant fear of death on the front. Many paid the ultimate price. However, because of their sacrifices, we are privileged enough to live in a world today where loving and being loved, enjoying the beach on a hot afternoon, playing sport and enjoying the adventure of life is possible. But as fortunate as we are, we should remember those who paid the ultimate price, so that we could live in peace. Their deaths would have left behind grieving mothers, fathers, friends, girlfriends - perhaps even wives and children. Today our lives make it highly unlikely that such pain is inflicted on those we cherish.

The legacy of the ANZACS has been continued to this day. Australians having served bravely in both world wars, Korea, Vietnam, East Timor, Afghanistan, Iraq, the Solomon Islands and many other important peace keeping roles. Regardless of our political views, we must remember the humanity of the soldier on the ground. These troops are simply doing what they feel is their duty, and are risking their lives in the process so that we may live in peace and freedom.

This remembrance day, spare a thought for those who have lost their lives, and those who place their lives on the line, to give us the opportunity to enjoy all that life offers. *Lest we forget.*

Kelvin Yu

# Salvete

The following boys have joined the school since the end of 2006.

## Year 7

### Class 7E

AHMED Sanbib, ANSAREEN Ahdil Mohamed, CHAN Adrian, CHEN Howe, CHIEN Max Heng, DE LA COUR Luke Wei, FANG Leo, FAYEZ Joshua Siddik, GUPTAA Dhruv, HAN Yiwei, LAM Brian Jonathan, LAU Cheuk Yuen, LAU Kenny Ghin Sie, LIU Harry, MINITHANTRI Gananatha, MONTANARO Timothy Edward, PAUL Ankur, PHAM Michael Thuong Minh, RAHMAN Nayan Shohanoor, SONG Max Xiao Fei, TRANG Stephen, WU Andrew, WU Jialun, XU Kevin Sunjie, YU Johnny Ye, ZENG David, ZHANG Thomas Shuxiang, ZHAO Lyman, ZOU Jack

### Class 7F

ADHIKA Jonathan, CEH Adam Antun, CHU Kevin Hong Mao, FENG Shi, FONG Daryl H C, HEO Harry, HO Chun Kit Jenkin, HO William, LAM Michael, LEE Benjamin, LEE Michael, LIEU Ethan, LIN Hung-Ting, LIN Richard, LIN Wilson, LY Nathan, MANAHAN Rodrigo Miguel, MARQUES Sam, MOK Thomas, NG Darren, NG Eric Pak Hin, NGUYEN Son Linh Michael, OEI Christopher, OOI Nicholas Jun Wei, PHAN Adrian Tuan Gia, SOO Anthony Chun Mang, STACK Conor Austin, VU Albert Duc Lam, YANG Justin Zhou, YE Vincent, ZHANG Kenny

### Class 7M

BROKMAN Anton Olivier, CHAU Brandon, CHIAM Christopher James, DIAS Sudam Nimantha, DUTTA Krishnendu, EDGTTON Julian Alexander, FANG Lucas, FONG Andrew Timothy, HANG Tony, HOQUE Emtiazul, HOQUE Shumit, HUGHES Alexander James Drui, JONES Maximus Edward, KOUKOURAS Jim, KRAHE Kevin Charles, LAIRD Benjamin Keith, LI Eric Guang Xi, MOON Andrew, NGUYEN Lawrence James, NGUYEN Vincent Quang Hien, PARADEZA Marc Dominic, PHAM Jason, PRAKASH Sooraj, PRUSTY Suman, REIYDER Vseslav, SAKSENA Aman, SHAH Vivek, TRUONG David, VISVAA Krishna, WU Peter Hao Xuan

### Class 7R

AYALASOMAYAJULA Akhilesh, CHEN Fei Wei Vincent, DUTTA Abhi, FU Allen, HAN Nicholas K I, JIANG Jeffrey, KATUPITIYA Lalitha, KE Kirby, LI Frank, LIANG Jordan Jen-Ding, LO Justin, MENG Fanrui Fred, NAOUMOV Edward, NGUYEN Jason, PAK Shaun Sae-Jin, PARK Jun-Hyuk, SABHARWAL Dhruv, TSAI Jamison Yao Cheng, USEELANANTHAN Rukshan, VUONG Jamian, WAN Cameron Mark, WEI Hunter, WU Yujin, YANG Jacky, YAO Jeremy, YU Hiram Le, YUAN William Hai, YUN Brendan, ZHOU Jerry Yi, ZHOU William

### Class 7S

CHEN Tony, CHIN Ming En, CHIN Timothy Ryan Shi Wei, DO Joshua, DONG James, FLETCHER Shaun Kento, HUA Raymond, IYER Tejas, KHAN Abeer Hasan, KIM John Jung Kuen, KRAKOVSKY Patrick, LAU Andrew, LI Alex, LIANG Gary, MOHAMED RIZVI Zafar Ahamed, NG Angus Kai Feng, NG Joel, PAN Ming Jie, QUAZI Shubash Ahmed, RANGLES William Claudio Hunt, SUTTON Gavin Jamie, TANG Nathan Ren Zhi, WANG David Zide, WILCOX Benjamin Maclean, WONG Kah-Yang, YE Chris Jun Feng, YIM Minwoo

### Class 7T

BAXTER William Robert, BIRCH Maximilian Oscar, CHAN Mathew Ching Yin, CONNOLLY Tom William, DANIELS Bartholomew, DELANEY Matthew, DO Simon Gi Young, FOO Derrick, FUNSTON Toby Tsun-Jie, HILLIER Benjamin Philip, JEYARASA Branavan, KWAN Campbell, LEE Raymond Chun-Kit, LEUNG Kevin, LIANG Daniel, LING Tian, LUIKER Carl Antony, MA Nan, MEHMEDBASIC Ennes, NGAI Marriotte Bei Ming, PURCAL John Andreas, RENZENBRINK Scott John, SALEH Serag, STERNHELL Robert Samual, WEINSTOCK Alexander, YANG Wade Ting Wei, YEUNG William Wai Hoi, ZHANG Cassidy, ZHANG Leon, ZHOU Patrick, ZHU Michael Wen Hui

*Salvete*

## **Year 8**

LANE Samuel Taylor

## **Year 9**

EDGTTON Dominic Emmanuel, KHAN Mohammad Raiyan, MUSGROVE Jack Timothy, ZHANG Roger, BROKMAN Andre Marc, VITHANAGE Avindu Lakranga

## **Year 10**

JONES Matthew Timothy

## **Year 11**

AMIN Amer, ANDREWS Christopher Petar, BAI Kevin Shuo, BANGALORE Neeraj, CASEY Ronan Richard, CHOI Kwon Nung, DENNY-SMITH Michael Allan, DU Alexander, GAUNT John Edward, GHAMRAOUI Mohamed, HAMMER Mitchell James, HASSOUN Nour'Ildean, HO Darren King Man, KARUNARATNE Sascha Ranil, LAU Garry Ka Kei, MACK Henry, NGUYEN Joseph Trung-Tin, SALEH Youssef, SHARMA Vaibhav Shanker, SHETH Shiva, SINGH Sukirat, SIVASHANMUGARAJAH Anosh, TANG Swei, TONG Dao Chen, UDDIN Farhan Ahmed, UDDIN Nazim, WONG Benjamin Chun Keat, WONG Dominic Shun Ship, XIAO Dinghua, XU Zhijun, ZUO Yi Justin



*Adam Farrow-Palmer*



*The Principal, Dr Jaggard*



*Anthony Morris receives a prize on Speech Day.*

# Valete

The following boys have left the School since the end of 2006. We wish them well for the future.

## Year 8 2007

LEE Michael, NIU Ken.

## Year 9 2007

GABO Ariel, MOLLOY Timothy, O'ROURKE Brendan, SREETHARAN Dylan, UMBERS Campbell.

## Year 10 2007

LU Edward.

## Year 11 2007

FARROW Jason, LANCASTER Benjamin, LAWRENCE Joshua, WOGAS Andrew.

## Year 12 2007

Unless otherwise indicated, boys enrolled in 2002, and sat for the High School Certificate in 2007.

### Abbreviations

ACO: Australian Chemistry Olympiad  
AIMO: Australian Intermediate Mathematics Olympiad  
AMC: Australian Mathematics Competition  
AMPEC: AMP Economics 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  
ISCF: Inter-School Christian Fellowship  
ISSBH: Islamic Society of Sydney Boys High School

JCB: Junior Concert Band  
JSB: Junior Stage Band  
MCYA: Mathematics Challenge for Young Australians  
MCS: Maths Challenge Stage  
NCQ: National Chemistry Quiz  
PWCEC: Price Waterhouse Cooper Australian Economics Competition  
SMHYWY: Sydney Morning Herald Young Writer of The Year  
SCB: Senior Concert Band  
SRC: Student Representative Council (School Union)  
SRCC: Sir Roden Cutler Charities  
SSB: Senior Stage Band  
SWE: Symphonic Wind Ensemble  
TCB: Training Concert Band  
UNSWMC: UNSW Maths Competition  
YA: Young Achievers  
YOTS: Youth Off The Streets

If a boy has indicated his intended career, this appears as the last entry in his record below:

**AL-AMEEN Sameer:**

**ARAFAT Amir:**

**ASHOKKUMAR Ashleey:** Ziva; Athletics (03); Soccer (02-06); Cricket (02-07); YOTS (07); SRCC (06); Economist.

- AU Jacky:** First Chinese Beginners (04); AMC (HD 04, D 03, 05, 06); ASSC (D 03, 04); PWCEC (D 06); Cricket (05); Soccer (04-06); High School Teacher.
- AZAD Shaihan:**
- BA Mac:** Australian Financial Literacy Assessment (HD 05); AMC (D 02); ASSC (D 02); Football (03-05); Rowing (04); YOTS.
- BASKARAN Radheshan:** Peer Support Leader (05); Recycling Committee (03); Choir (02-03); Public Speaking (02-03); Silver Medallion; ASSC (HD 03, D 05-06; AMC (Prize 03 D 02, 04-06); ASEC (D 02-05); NCQ (D 03); GC (D04); Cricket (02-07); Soccer (02-05); Rugby (06-07); Captain 3rd Grade Rugby (07); YOTS; Doctor; Optometrist; Physiotherapist.
- BLACKSHIELD Efrem:**
- BLAXELL D'Arcy:** Prefect (07)
- CASTLETON Thomas:** GC (HD 07); CHS State Cross-Country (06-07), Bronze Medal (06); Cricket (06-07) 1st XI (06-07) Davidson Shield Team (06) Five Highs (06); Football (06-07) 2nd Grade (06) 1st Grade (07); Athletics (06-07) Vice-Captain (07); Swimming (07); YOTS; SRCC; Architect.
- CHEN David:** SRC (02); Chess Club (02); Choir (06); National Chinese Eisteddfod (04-06); Debating (02-03); AMC (HD 02, 04, D 03, 05); GC (D 05); Australian Financial Literacy Assessment (D 05); ASCSC (D 04, 05); ASSC (D 03, 04); NCQ (HD 05, D 04); NSW Schools Fencing League Senior Boy's Foil Teams Division 3rd Place; 1st Place in SBHS Piano Competition (06); Tennis (02, 05); Fencing (03-06); 1st Grade Fencing 05; Rowing (02-03); Athletics (02-03); YOTS; Jeans for Genes Day; SRCC; Actuary.
- CHEN Kai:** (2006-2007): Certificate of Outstanding Achievement (Balmain 04); First in History (Balmain 03); First in Metal Works (Balmain 04); AMC (D 02, 04, 06); ASSC (D 02); HTA NSW History Competition (D 05); UNSWMC (D 04); Most Improved Player in Soccer (Balmain 03); Outstanding Achievement in Cricket (Balmain 03); Coxswain Rowing (06); Rugby (06); YOTS; Actuary.
- CHEN Kevin:**
- CHEN Michael:** Peer Support Leader (05); SRC (05-06); Formal Committee (05, 07); Yearbook Committee (07); Year DVD Committee (07); Recycling Committee (05-06); 'All Stops Out' (05); National Chinese Eisteddfod (04-07); First Drama (05); School Plaque (07); AMC (D 05-07); ASCSC (D 04); YA (06); Tennis (02-04); Basketball (05-07); Rugby (03-07) 2nd XV (07); Gold Coast Rugby Tour (05); SRCC (06); YOTS (07); Management Consultant; Legal Consultant; Entrepreneur.
- CHEN Patrick:** Charities Committee (04-07); Recycling Committee (03-06); TCB (02); ICB (03); SCB (04-07); Symphony Orchestra (05-07); ANZAC Day Marching Band (06); GPS Symphony Orchestra (06); Special Medallion (06); Meakin Prize for Design and Technology (05); 1st in Engineering Science (06); Peter Walker Award for English Literature (06); Prorak Trophy 1st Place (07); Wingham Prize Shoot C Grade 3rd Place Aggregate (06); AMC (Prize 06); NCQ (HD 05, D 04); ASEC (03-06); Music Pocket (07); 2nd Grade Rifle Shooting (03-04); 1st Grade Rifle Shooting (05-07); Captain (07); YOTS (07); SRCC (06); CEO.
- CHEN Steven:** Peer Support (05); Junior Concert Band (02); Intermediate Concert Band (03); Symphony Orchestra (04); 'All Stops Out' (05); AMC (D 02, 04-06); ASCSC (D 02-05); ASEC (D 02-04); ASSC (HD 05, D 02-04, 06); GC (HD 04, D 05); NCQ (HD 03-04, D 02, 05); Basketball (02-04); Volleyball (03); Soccer (04-05); YOTS; SRCC; Director Of Photography.
- CHENG Leo:** Chinese Eisteddfod Group (05 -07), Individual (05-06, 2nd Prize in 06); ANGQ (HD 06); AMC (D 02, 05); ASSC (06); YOTS; SRCC; Engineering Mechanics; Mechatronics.
- CHERIAN Renju:** Peer Support Leader (05); Public Speaking (02); Debating (04); Gold Medallion (04); AMC (HD 06, D 02-04); GC (HD 05); ASSC (D 06-04); NCQ (D 06, 03, 02); ASCSC (D 05, 03); AMPEC (D 05); ASEC (D 04, 03); Cricket (02-06); Soccer (02-04); Rugby (05-06) Captain 15 D's Rugby Team; Vice Captain 5th XI Cricket; YOTS; Starlight Day; Doctor.
- CHIU Alvin:** (2006-2007); YOTS; SRCC; Pharmacist; Doctor (specialist); Optometrist; Accountant.
- CHIU Jaffe:** AMC (HD02-04); ACO (HD 02-04); Basketball (02-07) 2nds Basketball (06-07) 2nds Captain (07); Cross Country (02); Rugby (03-05); Soccer (06); SRCC (06); YOTS (07); Psychologist.
- COUTTS Michael:** Prefect (07); Peer Support Leader (05); JSB (02); TCB (03); ISB (03); SSB (04-05); Choir (02-05); Guitar Ensemble (04-05); Vocalese (02-05); Debating (02-07), CHS State Champions (03) 2nd Grade (06) 1st Grade (07); Hume Barbour Runners Up (07); 2nd Grade CHS (06-07); School

Plaque (06); Most Improved Musician JSB (02); 1st History (02); Best Debater (02, 05); 1st SBHS Public Speaking Competition (04); Best Musician Guitar Ensemble (05); Cricket (02-07) 2nd XI (05-06) Captain of 2nd XI (06-07) 1st XI (07); Football (02-03); Rugby (04-07); 1st XV (07); YOTS (07); Lawyer.

#### **CUI Si:**

**DEACON Lachlan:** Prefect (07); Peer Support Leader (05); Library Monitor (02-04); JDB (02); ICB (03-04); SCB (05-07); SSB (05-07); Anzac Day Marching Band (03-07); Latin (03); Arch Ferguson Prize (03); Latin (06); Trophy (07); ASEC (HD 06); ASSC (D 02-05); AMC (D 02); NCQ (D 04); Music Pocket (06); Cricket (02-07); Rugby (04-07); SRCC (06); YOTS (07).

**DENG Edward:** Peer Support Leader (05); House Badge (05); AMC (HD 06; D 02, 04, 07); ASSC (HD 02-03; D 04); NCQ (HD 02; D 03-06); ASCSC (D 02,04-05); AFLA (D 05); ASWC (D 05); Tennis (02-07) 1st Grade (07); Cross Country (03); Soccer (04-06); Athletics (06); YOTS; SRCC; Doctor; Dentist; Lawyer; Commerce Person.

**DEVAPIRIAM Richard:** Library Monitor (02-06); Debating (02-05); Special Award; NCQ (HD 02, D 04); AMC (HD 05, D 04, 06); ASEC (HD 04, D 02, 05); GC (D 04, 05); AMPEC (D 05); ASSC (D 02, 03, 04); ASCSC (D 03, 05); Rugby (02-07); Rowing (02-04); Cricket (05-07); YOTS; SRCC; Doctor.

**DIZON David:** Peer Mediator (05); Basketball (02-05); 3rd Grade Volleyball (04); 2nd Grade Volleyball (05); 1st Grade Volleyball (06-07); YOTS (07); SRCC (06); Corporate Manager; Journalist.

#### **DUFFY Patrick:**

**FARHAT Moussa:** School Captain (07); Prefect (07); Peer Mediator (06); Peer Support Leader (05); SRC (02-06); Formal Committee (07); YOTS Committee (07); Basketball Committee (07); SRC Buildings Committee (06); Debating (02-06); Ross Miller Memorial Award (05); John Francis Bush Memorial Prize (06); School Trophy (07); First Design and Technology (03); First Visual Arts (03); First Modern History (06); ASSC (HD 02, D 04); ACO (D 02, HD 03); ASEC (D 02, 04; HD 03,05); AMC (HD 02,05; D 03-04); AMPEC (HD 06); Basketball (02-07) 1st Grade (05-07); Rugby (02-07) 2nd XV (07); YOTS; Daffodil Day; Jeans for Genes Day; Doctor.

#### **FARUQI Osman:**

**FETHERSTON Matthew:** (2004-2007): Vice-Captain (07); Peer Mediator (06); Peer Support Leader (05); Brian Allsop Prize (05); Arch Ferguson Prize (06); AMC (HD 05, D 04, 06); PWCEC (HD 06, D 07); ASSC (D 03, 04); AGC (D 04); NCQ (D 05); Cricket (04-07), 1st XI (04-07), 1st XI Captain (06, 07) Combined GPS 1st XI (07); Rugby (04-07) 1st XV (06-07) 1st XV Co-Captain (07); Swimming (04-07), Swimming Captain (07); SRCC (06); YOTS (07).

**FREIMAN Josh:** Rugby Coach (07); JSB (02-03); ISB (04); ICB (02-03); SWE (04-06); Italy Music Tour; NSW Performing Arts Unit Symphonic Wind Orchestra (09); ASEC (D 02); ASSC (D 02, 05); NCQ (D 02, 04); AMC (D 02, 06); Music Pocket (06); Soccer (02-04); Rugby (05-06); Tennis (02-03); Basketball (04); Rowing (05-07); Skiing (03-04, 06-07); Representative Skiing State Titles (06); YOTS.

**GALLEGO Patrick:** (2006-2007); BSC (D 07); 1st Grade Basketball (05-06, 06-07); 1st XV (06, 07); Athletics (06, 07) YOTS(07); SRCC (06-07); Lawyer.

**GEORGE Reuben:** Prefect (07); SRC (03-05); Peer Support Leader (05); JCB (02); ICB (03-04); SCB (05-06); Anzac Day Marching Band (03-06); Schools Spectacular (04); Debating (02-04); ASSC (D 04); NCQ (HD 06, D 02, 05); GC (HD 05, D 04); ASMC (D 03, 05, 06); Cricket (02-07) 2nd XI (05-06) 1st XI (06-07); Football (02-06), 2nd XI (05); YOTS; SRCC; Doctor.

**GOKARN Rahul:** Peer Support (05); Peer Mediator (06-07); "U Lead" Leadership program Junior String Orchestra (02-04); Symphony Orchestra (04-07); Year 10 Drama Production Bronze Award Scheme; Silver Award Scheme; Gold Award Scheme; Special Award Scheme; ASSC (HD 03, 06; D 02, 04); ASCSC (D 02-05); ASEC (HD 04; D 02-03); AMC (D 02-06); NCQ (D 03-05); Certification of Merit English Achievement (03); Certification of Merit Geography Achievement (03); Music Pocket Basketball (02-04); Fencing (02); Volleyball (04); Rugby (05-07); SRCC; YOTS; Royal Institute for the Deaf and Blind; Doctor.

#### **GUMBERT Noah:**

**GUNARATNE Dakshika:** Prefect (07); House Captain Torrington (07); Peer Support Leader (05); SRC (02); Debating (02); Bronze Medallion (02); Silver Medallion (03); Gold Medallion (04); Special Award (05); Plaque (06); AMC (D 02-06); ASSC (D 03-04, 06); ASEC (D 03); GC (D 05); NCQ (D 06);

Australian Financial Literacy Assessment (D 05); SBHS Cricket Committee Award (03); Australian Five Highs Cricket Carnival Fielding Award (05); CEC Rubie Trophy (05); 1st XI Player's Player Award (07); NSW Schoolboy Cricket Championships Spirit Of Cricket Award (07); Cricket Blue (07); Bronze Medal NSW All Schools Athletics (06); Bronze Medal CHS State Athletics (07); Frank Albert Cup Senior Athletics Champion (06-07); Athletics (02-07); Captain Of Athletics (07); CHS Regional Athletics (04); CHS State Athletics (02-03, 06-07); NSW All Schools Athletics (02-06); Cricket (02-07) Transharbour Trophy (02-05), 2nd XI (04-05), 1st XI (05-07), Five Highs Cricket Carnival (05-06) Combined Five Highs Cricket Carnival Team (06), GPS 1st XI (07); Football (02-03); Rugby (04-07), 1st XV (07); SRCC (06); YOTS (07); Doctor.

**GUO Yun-Zhe:** Prefect (07); SRC (03-06); Peer Support Leader (05); Chinese Eisteddfod (03-07); Special Award (06); ASSC (HD 04, D 02-03, 05-06); NCQ (HD 03, D 02, 4-05); AMC (D 02-06); ASEC (D 05); ASCSC (D 02, 05); Rowing (03-07); Rugby (03-07); YOTS; SRCC; Electrical Engineer.

**HAN Owen:**

**HEO Phillip:** Library Monitor (02-04); Peer Support Leader (05); SRC Representative (03); School Choir (06); GPS Music Festival (06); Debating (02-04); Special Award (06); First Foreign Chinese (03); ASMC (HD 02, D 05); ASSC (D 02, 03, 04); AMPEC (D 05); ASCSC (D 02); ASWS (HD 06); ASEC (HD 04, D 02, 05, 06); NCQ (HD 02, 04); Basketball (02); Rugby (02-06); Rowing (02-04); SRCC; YOTS; Doctor.

**HSIAO Jourdan:** Training Strings Ensemble (02-03); AMC (HD 02, 07; D 03-06); ASEC (D 02-03); ASSC (D 04); ASWC (HD 05); AEC (D 06); Tennis (02-06); 2nd Grade Tennis (05-06); Fencing (04-07); YOTS; SRCC; Lawyer.

**HU David:** SRC (07); Charities Committee (06); Recycling Committee (05-06); Guitar Ensemble (03); Debating (03); Chemistry (06), 3rd Prize; AMC (HD 02-04, 06); NCQ (HD 04-06); GC (05-07); Basketball (02-06); Second Grade Basketball (05-06); Soccer (03-4, 06); Rugby (05); YOTS; Legacy Day; Jeans for Genes Day; SRCC; Doctor.

**HUANG Andrew:**

**HURRELL Thomas:** Captain of Boats (07); Prefect (07); Debating (02-06); Visual Arts (06); Rowing (02-07), Most Improved Rower (05), 2nd VIII (04), 1st VIII (06-07); CHS Champions (06-07); Rugby (02-07), 2nd XV (07); YOTS.

**HUSAINI Adnan:**

**HUSSAIN Sabeeh:** (2001-2007): Peer Mediator (05); President of ISSBH; Debating (01-05); Gold Medallion; UNSWMC (D01-03, 05-07); ASSC (D 05-06); ASEC (D05, C01-04, 06); Cricket (01-07); Soccer (01-06); YOTS; Lawyer: Doctor.

**HUYNH Phillip:** AMC (D 03); NCQ (D 03); ASSC (D 03-04); ASEC (D 03-04); GC (HD 04); Australian Financial Literacy Assessment (D 05); SRCC; YOTS; Engineer.

**ISAAKS Dexter:** (2006-2007): Peer Mediator (05); Peer Support Leader (05); Student Awards Scheme Silver Medallion (06); AGC (HD 05); AMC (D 02-05); ASMC (D 03); NCQ (D 06); PWCEC (D 06); HTA NSW HC (D 04); Duke of Edinburgh Silver Award (06); PHS Grade A Football (02-05); PHS Grade Austag (02-05); 4th/5th Grade Football (06); 4th/5th XI Cricket (06-07); YOTS (06-07); SRCC (06); Aeronautical Space Engineer.

**ISKANDER Andrew:** Peer Support Leader (05); Debating (02-06); Public Speaking (02-03); AMC (HD 04-06, D 02-03); AMPEC (HD 05); ASSC (D 03-04); NCQ (D 03-05); ASCSC (D 03-04); Basketball (02-05); Cricket (05-07); 1st XVII (06-07); Soccer (02-06); YOTS (07); Starlight (07); Doctor.

**ISKANDER Timothy:** Public Speaking (02-03); Basketball (02-06); Soccer (02-05); Rugby (06-07); YOTS; SRCC; Pharmacist; Police officer.

**JANG Raymond:** AMC (D 02, 03, 04, 05, 06); AMPEC (D 06); ASSC (D 02, 03, 04); ASEC (D 02, 03, 04); NCQ (D 2003); Cricket (02-07) 1st XVII(06-07); Soccer (02-03); Rugby (04-07), 2nd XV (07); YOTS (07); Chartered Accountant.

**JAWAHIR Amjad:**

**JEYARAMAN Sriram:** Peer Support Leader (05); Library Monitor (02-03); Peter Walker Award for English Literature (03); Second Dux (06); First in Preliminary Business Studies (06); ASEC (D 02); ASMC (D 02-06); ASSC (HD 02); ASWC (D 05); ASCSC (D 02, 05); ANCQ (D 02, 04); BSC (HD 07); PWCEC (D 06, 07); 40 Hour Famine (01-02); MS Read-A-Thon (03); SRCC (06); YOTS (07); Actuary.



**JIA Stanley:** Peer Support Leader (05); Library Monitor (03-04); AMC (D 03-05); ASSC (D 05-06); Soccer (02-03); Rowing (02-05); Rugby (04-06); Basketball (05-07); YOTS; SRCC; Structural Engineer.

**JIN Frank:**

**JIN Terry:** Library Monitor (02-03); AMC (HD 03; D 02, 04-06); ASCSC (D 02, 04-05); ASEC (D 02, 06); ASSC (HD 03; D 02, 04-06); GC (HD 04); NCQ (HD 04, 06; D 02, 05); PWCEC (HD 06); SRCC (06); YOTS (07); Pharmacist.

**KARUNARATNE Gehan:** Prefect (07); Peer Support (05); Design and Technology (02); PD/H/PE (05); AMC(HD 02-04; D 05-06); NCQ (HD 02-03; D 04); ASSC (D 03, 05, 06); ASEC (D 02, 03); ASCSC (D 02, 04); GC (D 05); PWCEC (HD 06); Cricket Blue (06); Tom Rushall Prize for Participation and Service to Sport (06); 1st XI cricket (05-07), Vice Captain (07); 5 Highs Cricket Carnival (04-06); 1st Grade Soccer (05-07), Captain (07); Athletics (02-07); CHS Athletics(02); CIS Athletics(04); YOTS; SRCC.

**KARUNARATNE Roshan:** (2006-2007): Prefect (07); House Captain (07); Environmental Committee(06); Bronze Medal ASWC (D 03); ASSC (D 06); NCQ (D06); Cross Country Champion (06-07); 1st Grade Cross Country(06); NSW Cross Country (06-07); GPS Athletics Championships; Five Highs Cricket Tour to Perth (06); Davidson Shield Cricket Team (06); Puma Cup Squad(06); YOTS(07); SRCC (06); Red Shield Appeal (03); Physiotherapist.

**KELDOULIS Maximilian:** Peer Support Leader (05); JCB (02); ICB (03); SCB (04, 05); Debating (02, 03); Mock United Nations (05); School Trophy (07); School Plaque (06); Special Award (05); Gold Award (04); Silver Award (03); Bronze Award (02); Academic Achievement List (03, 05, 07); NCQ (HD 02, 04, D 05); AMC (D 02-06); ASEC (HD 03, 06; D 02,05); ASSC (HD 03, 04, 06, D 02, 05); ASCSC (D 03, 05); GC (D 04); UNSW Australian Financial Literacy Competition (D 05); PWCEC (Prize 06, D 07); Swimming Age Champion Runner-up (02, 03, 07); Swimming (02-07), GPS Open Swimming (06, 07), School Rep CHS Zone & Regional (02-07); Rugby (05-07), 3rd XV (07); Basketball (02-06), 3rd's (06), MVP (05, 06); Fencing (02); Volleyball (03); Soccer (04); Cross Country Carnival (02-05, 07); Athletics Carnival (02-07); Swimming Carnival (02-07); SRCC (06); YOTS (07); Economist; Author.

**KELLY Mitchell:**

**KESWANI Aditya:**

**KIM David:** Prefect (07); Peer Mediator(06); Peer Support Leader (04); U Lead; Debating (02-03); AMC (HD 04-05 D 03, 06); Australian Financial Literacy Assessment (D 05); ASSC (HD 02 D 05); ASCSC (D 04); NCQ (D 03-06); Basketball B (02); Rugby A's (02-05); 1st XV Rugby (06); Gold Coast Rugby Tour 15A's (05); Rowing 1st crew (02-05); 2nd VIII (06), 1st VIII (07), CHS Champion; Competed in the National Australian Rowing Championships Nagambie (07); Zone and Regional Athletics (03-07); GPS Opens Athletics (06); YOTS (07); SRCC (07); Royal Institution for Deaf and Blind Children (06); Red Cross Youth Challenge (05);

**KIM Joseph:**

**KIM Kevin:**

**KIM Matthew:** ASEC (D 02-06); ANCQ (D 02, 04-05); ASSC (D 02-03); AMC (02); ASCSC (02); Basketball (02); Soccer (02-05); YOTS; Samaritan's Purse; Red Cross Blood Drive; Christian Fellowship (2002-04); Amnesty International (07);

**KING Matthew:**

**KLOCKER Amadeus Alexander:** Peer Support Leader (05); School Trophy (06); Peter Walker Award for English Literature (02); German (02, 04-06); NCQ (Medal 03; D 02, D 04-06); ASWC (HD 06); ASSC (HD 04, 06; D 02, 05); GC (HD 05); ASMC (D 02-06); ASEC (D 02-06); ASCSC (D 02-05); Tennis (02-07); Fencing (02-07), First Grade (06, 07), Captain of Fencing (06), 3rd place NSW State Schools AJ Rae Shield (06), 3rd place NSW Schools Fencing League Teams (04, 05), NSW Schools Fencing League Individual 3rd place (03-05); Skiing (04-06); YOTS; SRCC; Red Cross Medicine; Medical Science.

**KOK Jason:**

**KONAKOFF Oliver:**

**KOUDASHEV Oleg:** (2006-2007): Chess Club (06-07); D GC (06); HD GC (07); HD NCQ (06); MVP for 4th Grade Soccer; 4th Grade Soccer in (06, 07); Senior Chess Team (06-07), Combined GPS Chess Team, GPS Chess Tournament; YOTS; SRCC; Environmental Scientist.

- KUMAGAYA David:** Prefect (07); Peer Mediator (06); Library Monitor (06); Peer Support Leader (05); School Photographer (04); School Special Award (06); First History (05); School Gold Award (05); First History (04); School Silver Award (04); School Bronze Award (03); AMC (D 02, 04, 06); ASCSC (D 02, 04-05); ASEC (D 02-03, 05); ASSC (D 04); NCQ (HD 02, D 03, 05); Cricket (02-03, 05-06); Soccer (02-07); YOTS; SRCC; Doctor.
- LAI Joseph:** Peer Support (05); Peer Mediation Training (06); Violin Ensemble (02-03); String Orchestra (04); Debating (02-04); School Special Award (05); ACO (D 06); APO (D 06); ABO (D 06); AMC (HD 02-03, 06, D04-05); NCQ (HD 03, 06, D 02, 04-05), ASSC (D 02-07); GC (HD 04); ASEC (D 02, 05); School Titration Competition (06-07); Swimming Age Champion (02-03, 05); Zone and Regional Representation, Athletics (02); Cross Country (02-04); Swimming (02-06); Basketball (02-07); Soccer (02-04, 06-07); Rugby (05); Volleyball (03); Athletics (06-07); SRCC; YOTS; Australian Red Cross Blood Donation; St. John's First Aid Training; Doctor.
- LAM Kevin:** AMC (HD 06, D 02, 03, 04); ASSC (D 02, 04, 07); ASCSC (D 04, 05); GC (D 04); NCQ (HD 03, D 05, 06); SRCC; YOTS; Doctor; Architect.
- LE Alexander:** Peer Support Leader (04); NCQ (HD 04); ASCSC (D 05); ASSC (D 04, 05); AMC (D 05); ASEC (D 03); GC (D 04); Volleyball Coach's Award (02); NSW CHS Volleyball Champions (05-07); GPS Volleyball Champions (05-07); Basketball Most Improved Player (07); Sydney High Volleyball Tournament Runners-Up (02-04), Schools Cup Champions (03, 05-07), Runners-Up (04), Metro Schools Volleyball Champions (04, 06-07), Runners-Up (03, 05); Australian Schools Volleyball Cup Open Boys Division 1, 3rd Place (06); NSW State Volleyball Carnival 2nd Place (07); A-Grade Volleyball (02-05); Second Grade Volleyball (04); First Grade Volleyball (05-07); Regional CHS Sydney East Volleyball team (07); A-Grade Cricket (02-04); Second Grade Basketball (07); NSW Shadow Trans-Tasman Volleyball Team (07); YOTS; School Parking (02-07); Physiotherapist, Sports Science/Nutrition Expert.
- LEACH Rowan:** SRC (04); NCQ (HD 02); ASSC (D 03-04); ASCSC (D 02); Basketball (02); Soccer (02-03); Rowing (05); Rugby (04-05); Marketing/Advertising Agent.
- LEE Alexander Derk Sheng:** Prefect (07); Chess Club (02); Guitar Ensemble (03-05); School Trophy (07); School Plaque (06); Special Award (05); Gold Medallion (04); Silver Medallion (03); Bronze Medallion (02); AMC (Prize Certificate 02, HD 03 and 04, D 05 and 06); PWCEC (D 06); AFLA (D 05); ASSC (D 02-04); ASEC (D 03, 04); NCQ (D 02, 03); YA Business Schools Program (06); 4th/5th Grade Piano under the Australian Music Examination Board (05, 06); 2nd in State Athletics for 14 yrs 4x100m Relay (03); 1st in NSW State Volleyball Metro Cup (02-05); Basketball (02-07); 2nd Grade Basketball (06, 07); Soccer (02-07); 2nd Grade Soccer (05-07); Member of Volleyball team for Australian Volleyball Schools Cup to Melbourne (02-05); Captain Under 14 Volleyball (02); Athletics (02-07); Swimming (02-04); Cross Country (02, 03); SRCC (07); YOTS (07); Actuary or Marketer.
- LEE Clement:** Amnesty International; J. Manchester Prize (06); AMC (D 03-05); ASEC (HD 06; D 02); NCQ (HD 02; D 03-05); GC (HD 05); Basketball (03-04); Soccer (02-04); Rugby (05-07); SRCC (06); YOTS (07); WRD (07).
- LEE Henry:**
- LEE Kevin:** Prefect (07); 3rd Prize, Doris M. Gray (02); 3rd Prize, Phillip Seymour (04); Visual Arts (02); AMC (HD 02-04, 06); ASSC (HD 02; D 03-04); PWCEC (HD 06; D07); Australian financial Literacy Assessment (D 05); 2005 Sustainable Living Challenge (High Commendation); GC (D 05): 13B's Best Bowler in Cricket (02-03); 14B's Best Batsmen in Cricket (03-04); Cricket (02-04), Trans Harbour Cricket Team (03-04); rowing (05-07) 2nd VIII (06-07); Australian Rowing National Championships (07); NSWCHSSA Championships; Rugby (02-07); YOTS (07); SRCC (06); Investment Banker.
- LEE Kevin J:** (2006-2007) Peer Leader (01); ASSC (D, 03, 05); AMC (D, 02, 03); NSWFA 4th Place Junior Division (04); Fencing GPS (02-06); 2nd grade, GPS Tennis (02-05); YOTS; SRCC; GP; Medical Researcher; Accountant.
- LEE Paul:**
- LEUNG Andrew Ka-Wai:** (2006-2007): SRC 07; The 1977 Year 12 Prize For Excellence (06); Rowing (06-07), 2nd IV, 2nd VIII; Cross Country (07), 1st Grade, Zone Rep, Regional Premiers; SRCC 06; Legacy Day 06; Red Cross 06-07; YOTS 07; Pilot.

- LEUNG Jeffrey:** Library Monitor (03-05); String Orchestra (02); Symphony Orchestra (03-06); Symphony Orchestra Leader (05-06); Senior String Ensemble (04-06); GPS Music Festival (05); Debating (02-03); School Plaque (06); AMC (HD 06, D 05); NCQ (HD 04, D 02-03); ASSC (D 03); ASCSC (D 02-05); GC (HD 05, D 04); ASEC (D 02); Music Pocket (06); Tennis (02-05); Football (02-06); YOTS.
- LEVANIC Nikola:** SRC Treasurer (06); Year 12 Gift Committee (07); Silver Medallion (06); ASCSC (HD 02-04); GC (D 03-04); Rugby (02-07); Gold Coast Rugby Tour (05); 2nd XV (07); Rowing (02-04, 05-06), 3rd IV (06); Cricket (05-07); Athletics (04-07); CHS Regional Athletics (07); CHS Regional Cross Country (06); SRCC (06); YOTS (07); Investment Banker.
- LI Zhongzhu:** AMC (HD 05, D 02, 04, 07); ASSC (HD 06, D 02-04); ASCSC (D 02-04); NCQ (D 03, 06); ASEC (HD 02, D 04); GC (HD 05); Soccer (02-06); YOTS; SRCC; Scientist.
- LIANG Martin Ma:** (2006-2007): SRC (06-07); Recycling Committee (07); Charities (06-07); School Choir (06-07); GPS Music (06-07); MUNA (06); Gold Award (06); AMC (HD 06, D 02-05); GC (HD 05); ASSC (D 03, 05-06); NCQ (D 06); AMPEC (D 06); St George SSSA Hockey Premiers (03); Rowing 3rd IV (06); VolleyBall 3rd Grade (07); YOTS; SRCC; Clean Up Australia Day; Jeans For Genes Day; Actuary; Engineer; Lawyer; Film Director.
- LIN Yu Wei:** Peer Support Leader (05); SRC (07); NCQ (HD 02, 04-06; D 03); AMC (Prize 02, HD 05-06; D 04); ASSC (HD 06; D 02-05, 07); APO (D 06); UNSWMC (HD 07); Fencing (03-07); 1st Grade Fencing (06-07); Fencing Captain (07); YOTS; Chemical Engineer.
- LINEGAR Ty:**
- LIU Andrew:**
- LIU Benjamin:** Peer Mediator (06); Charities Committee (06-07); Training Band (02); Intermediate Concert Band (03); Debating (02-06); Ancient History Prize (06); AMC (HD 03, D 02, 04-06), ASSC (D 03-05), NCQ (HD 02, 03, D 04-06), ASEC (D 02-04); Duke of Edinburgh Bronze; Basketball (02-07); soccer (02-04); YOTS; Jeans for Genes Day; SRCC; Entrepreneur; Doctor; Finance.
- LIU Xiao:**
- LOPES Christopher:**
- LOU Samson:** Prefect (07); House Captain (07); Music Prefect (07); Peer Mediator (06); Peer Support Leader (05); House Clerk, Saxby (06-07); Badges Committee (05-07); Formal Committee (07); JSB (02-03); SSB (04-07); Italy Music Tour (05); Debating (02-06); School Trophy (07); AMC (Prize 02, 04, HD 03, D 05); ASSC (HD 02, 04, D 03); NCQ (D 03-05); ASCSC (HD 02, D 03-05); GC (HD 04); ASFLC (HD 05); ASEC (D 03, 06); PWCEC (HD 06); PWCBSC (Prize 07); Music Pocket (07); Rugby (03-07), Captain 15Bs Rugby (05), Captain 16As (06), Captain 2nd XV (07); Tennis (03-06); Basketball (06-07); SRCC; YOTS; Doctor; Psychologist; Teacher.
- LU Weiping:** Prefect (07); Senior Under Officer (07); SRC (03-06); Library Monitor (02-04); SBHS Cadet Unit (02-07); Debating (02-04); Most Efficient SNCO (06); ASSC (HD 04, D 07); AMC (D 04); ASEC (D 04); 1st Grade NSWCHS Volleyball Champions (06-07); 1st Grade GPS Volleyball Champions (06-07); Australian Schools Cup Open Boys Division 1, 3rd Place (06); Basketball Most Valuable Player (07); NSW Schools Cup Champions (03-07); Basketball (02-07); Volleyball (02-07); YOTS (07); SRCC (06-07); Daffodil Day (05).
- LU Zenghui:** (2006-2007): PWCEC (HD 06); GC (HD 05); AMC (D 06); ASEC (06); ASWC (05); ASSC (05); Fencing (06); SRCC; YOTS;
- LUI Edmond:** Cadet Corps (02-03); Archiving (06-07); Charities Committee (06); Peer Support (05); Shareholder's Society; Training Band (02); Australasian chinese Speaking competition (04-05); ASSC (D 02,04); ASCSC (HD 02, D 03, 04); AMC (HD 02, 03, D 04, 05 ,06 07); ASEC (D 02); AMPEC (D 06); Soccer (02-06); Tennis (02, 04-06); Rowing (03); SRCC; YOTS; Aeronautical Engineer.
- LUO Roger:** (2001-2007): Chess Club (01); AMC (HD 02, 04, 06, D 03, 06); AMPEC (D 06); ASCSC (HD 04, D 02-03, 05); ASSC (HD 02, 04, D 03, 05); Tennis (01-06), 3rd Grade Tennis (06); SRCC; YOTS; Doctor.
- LUSCOMBE Jeremy:** (2003-2007): ICB (03-04); ISB (03-04); STB (04-05); SCB (04-05); 'The Old Boy Award' (04); Cricket (03-04); Rowing (05); Soccer (03-07), 2nd XI (05); 1st XI (06-07); Athletics (03-07); YOTS.
- LUU Eric:**

**LUU John:** Peer Support Leader (05); Archives Monitor (07); Year 12 Charities Committee Representative (07); Archives Committee (07); Charities Committee (06-07); Recycling Committee (04-07); YA (06); Uni of Syd Year 10 Academic Excellence Award Second Dux (05); First Place History (05); First Place Geography (05); First Place Chemistry (07); First Place Physics (07); School Trophy (07); AMC (Prize 02 04-05, HD 06, D 03); UNSWMC (Prize 07); NCQ (Prize 06, HD 04-05, D 02-03); GC (HD 04-05 07); ASEC (D 02-03); ASSC (HD 04, D 02-03 06-07); ASCSC (D 04-05); MCYA MCS (D 04-05); ACER Languages Certificate, French (D 04); Soccer (03-05); Basketball (04); Legacy Day; Jeans for Genes Day; The Royal Institute for Deaf and Blind Children; SRCC; YOTS; Doctor, Actuary.

**LY Terry:** Peer Support Leader (04); SRC (07); Recycling Committee; School Bronze (02), Silver (03), Gold (04), Special (05), Plaque (06), Trophy (07); AMC (Prize 03-05); AMC (HD 02, 06); UNSWMC (Prize 05); AIMO (HD 05); J.L. Williams Math Search Merit (05); MCS (D 05); ASCSC (D 03, 05); ASSC (HD 05, D 02, 04); Volleyball Blue (06); Volleyball Best and Fairest (03); Volleyball Most Valuable Player (05); Volleyball Player of the National Schools Cup Tournament (05); Volleyball (02-07), 1st Grade Volleyball (04-07), Sydney High Volleyball Tournament Runners-Up (02-04), NSW Schools Cup Champions (03, 05-07), Runners-Up (04), NSW Metro Schools Volleyball Champions (04, 06-07), Runners-Up (03, 05), CHS State Volleyball Knockout Champions (05-07), Member of Sydney East Regional Volleyball Team (05-07); State Regional Knockout Runners-Up (07); GPS Volleyball Champions (05-07), Australian Volleyball Schools Cup (03-07), Mens Opens Division 1 Bronze (06), Member of NSW Trans-Tasman Shadow Volleyball Team (06-07); Basketball (04-05, 07); Tennis (02-03, 06); Zone Athletics Carnival (05-07); Regional Athletics Carnival (06); SRCC (06); YOTS (07); School Parking (03-07); Engineer; Optometrist.

**MACKAY James:** Prefect (07); Gift to School Organiser; Year DVD Production Team; JSB (02); ICB (02); ISB (03); SCB (03); SSB (04-07); SWE (04-07); GPS CB (05); Small Jazz Ensemble (07); 1st Prize NBA Eisteddfod (07); Anzac Day Marching Band (03-05); Italy Music Tour (05); NSW State Schools Symphonic Wind Ensemble (05, 06), Adelaide Tour (05), Brisbane Tour (06), National Band Champions, Open A Division (05); Debating (02); School Plaque (06); Music (04); NCQ (HD 05, D 03-06); ASSC (D 03); ASEC (D 02); GC (D 05); Music Pocket; Year 10 Best Musician (05); School Best Musician Trophy (06); Encore Nominee (06); Headmaster's Award for Contribution to the Arts (06); Rugby (02-06); Rowing (03-07) 1st Y10 VIII (05), 2nd VIII (06), 1st IV (07), Stroke CHS Quad Scull (06, 07), CHS Mens VIII (06), Winner Champion Mens IV (06, 07); YOTS; Musician, Lawyer, Journalist.

#### **MAKESWARAN Sharangan:**

**MAK Thomas:** Library Monitor (02-06); Recycling Committee (03-05); School Guitar Ensemble Years 7 to 10 (02-05); Training String Ensemble (04); Silver Medallion (05); AMC (HD 03, D 05); ASSC (D 03, 04, 05); BSC (HD 07, D 06); Cricket 13D Batting Award (01-02); Fencing U/15 Boys Teams Bronze Medal (05); St George Eisteddfod (03) Trophy (1st place); Sutherland Shire Piano Eisteddfod (00) Trophy (1st place); Piano Award St George Eisteddfod (00-06) Highly commended Achievers Award; Fencing (02-06), 2nd Grade Fencing (05); Cricket (02-03); Jeans for Genes Day; Legacy Day; YOTS; Commerce.

**MALEK Peter:** Prefect (07)

**MIAO Richard:** Peer Support Leader (05); AMC (HD 02, 06; D 04); NCQ (HD 03); ASSC (D 02-04); ASEC (D 02); Basketball MIP 16B (04-05); Basketball (02-05); Rugby (02-05); SRCC (06); YOTS (07).

**MORRIS Anthony:** Peer Support Leader (05); Peer Mediator (06); Prefect (07); TCB (02); ICB (03); SCB (04-05); ANZAC Day Marching Band (03-06); Debating (02-07); Hume Barbour Runners Up (07); CHS State Champions (03); Gordon Barr Memorial Prize for DUX (02); S & P Tzannes Prize (02); First Science (02); First Classical Greek (02); Doris M Gray Prize for Third (03); First Mathematics (03); P & C Prize for Second (04); First Mathematics (04); P & C Prize for Third (05); J M and W G Forsythe Memorial Prize (05); First Mathematics (05); First Geography (05); K. Saxby Prize for Mathematics (06); First Mathematics Extension 1 (06); Sir Charles Winston Prize for Geography (06); AMC (Medal 06; Prize 02-05); UNSWMC (2nd 05; 3rd 04, 06-07); AIMO (Prize 05; HD 04; D 02-03); AMOC Senior Contest (Prize 06; D 05); Australian Mathematics Olympiad Gold Certificate (05-07); Asia Pacific Mathematics Olympiad Bronze Certificate (07), Participant (05-06); International Mathematics Olympiad Bronze Medal (07); ASEC (D 02-06); ASSC (HD 02-04); ASCSC (HD 03-05; D 02); GC

(Prize 05, 07; HD 04, 06); AMPEC (Prize 05-06); Swimming (02-07); Vice Captain Swimming (07); Rugby (05-07); Football (02-04); YOTS; Actuary.

**NA Joeun:**

**NAIK Atidya:**

**NG Albert:** Peer Support Leader (05); Archives Committee (06-07); Charities Committee (06); Yearbook Committee (07); Chinese Eisteddfod (03-06); First for Technical Drawing (04-05); Special Award; ACO Final Qualifying Exams Bronze (07); ACO National Qualifying Exams (HD 06); NCQ (Prize 04, HD 03, 05-06, D 02); Schools Titration Competition Merit (07); ASSC (HD 05, D 02-04, 06-07); ASCSC (HD 04-05, D 02-03); AMC (Prize 04, HD 03, 06, D 02, 05); ASEC (D 02, 06); GC (HD 04-05); UNSWMC (Prize 07); Volleyball Best & Fairest (05); Soccer (03-04); Cricket (02-03); 3rd in Table Tennis Schools Knockout Tournament (06); Volleyball (05-07), 2nd Grade Volleyball GPS Champions (07), 2nd Grade Volleyball Captain (07); SRCC; YOTS; Science Teacher; Photovoltaics Engineer; Pilot.

**NG Matthew:** Peer Support (05); AMC (HD 05, D 03-04); GC (HD 05 D 04); NCQ (D 05); ASEC (D 03); ASSC (D 05); Fencing (02-03); Football (02-03); Cricket (02-07); Rugby (04-06); YOTS; SRCC; Commerce.

**NGUYEN Richard:** Amnesty International Committee (06-07); AMC (HD 02-03, D 04, 05); ASCSC (HD 02, D 03-05); ASEC (D 02, 04); ASSC (D 03-05); BSC (D 06); GC (HD 04-05); NCQ (HD 02-04, D 05-06); Rowing (06) 3rd IV (06); Soccer (03); Rugby (04-07); YOTS; SRCC; White Ribbon Day.

**NGUYEN Trong:** AMC (Prize 04-06, HD 03, D 02); UNSWMC (D 07); NCQ (HD 04-06, D 02-03); ASSC (HD 07, D 04-06); AMPEC (D 06); SRCC; YOTS.

**NGUYEN Victor:** Prefect (07); Recycling Committee (07); Year 12 Formal Committee (07); AMC (Prize 05, HD 03-04, D 02, 06); ASSC (HD 02, D 03-05); NCQ (HD 04, D 03, 06); AMPEC (HD 06); GC (D 05); House Colours (05); NSWCHS Basketball Shell Cup 3rd Place (07); Volleyball Blue (06); 1st Grade NSWCHS Volleyball Champions (05-07); 1st Grade GPS Volleyball Champions (04-07); Australian Schools Cup Open Boys Division 1, 3rd Place (06); NSWCHS Regional Volleyball Runners Up (07), 3rd Place (04, 06); Volleyball Most Valuable Player (06); Australian Schools Cup, Player Of The Tournament (04); NSW Schools Cup Champions (03, 05-07), Runners Up (04); NSW Metro Schools Volleyball Champions (04, 06-07), Runners Up (03, 05); Sydney High Volleyball Tournament Runners-Up (02-04); Basketball (02-07) 1st Grade (06-07); GPS Combined Basketball Reserve (07), Captain - U15s Basketball; Volleyball (02-07), 1st Grade (04-07); Captain, 1st Grade Volleyball (07); NSWCHS Regional Sydney East Volleyball (04, 06-07); NSWCHS Combined Volleyball Team (07), Shadow Team (06); Trans-Tasman Volleyball Tournament (07); Australian Schools Cup (02-07); SRCC (06, 07); YOTS (07); Accountant, Marketing/Financial Advisor.

**NI Max:**

**NORRIS Dougall:**

**PALANA Calvin:** AMC (D 02-04); ASEC (D 02-04); NCQ (HD 02, 04, D 03); ASSC (D 04); Basketball (02-07); YOTS; SRCC; Pharmacist; Radiation Therapist.

**PANDIT Rommo:**

**PANGILINAN James:**

**PANICKER Girish:** SRC (07); Library Monitor (03-06); Record Committee (03-06); Shareholders Society (06); Recycling Committee (04-06); PWCBS (HD 07, D 06); PWCEC (D 07); AMC (HD 05, D 03, 04, 06, 07); ASSC (HD 02, D 03, 04); ASEC (D 04); Soccer (02-06), Captain 5th Grade Soccer (06), Captain 16C Soccer (05); Cricket (02-06), Captain 16B Cricket (05); Athletics (06); YOTS; SRCC; Chocolate Drive; Legacy Badge Day; Lawyer; Financial Analyst.

**PARK Anthony:** Soo Hwan Training Strings (02-04); Symphony Orchestra (03-07); GPS Orchestra (06); AMC (HD 03, D 05); NCQ (HD 05, D 06); ASSC (D 02, 04-06); ASEC (04); Music Pocket, Sustainable Living Challenge (Merit 05); Cricket (02-04); Basketball (05-07); Football (02-06); YOTS (07); SRCC (06); Doctor, Engineer.

**PARK Ji-Kwang:** Prefect (07); Library Monitor (02-03); Special Award (05); ASSC (HD 02 D 02, 03, 05); AMC (D 02); NCQ (HD 02 D 04-06); PWCEC (D 06); ASCSC (D 02, 03, 05); Soccer (02-06); Rowing (05-06), 2nd IV (05-06); Basketball (03-04, 07); YOTS; SRCC; Jeans for Genes Day; Doctor.

- PERERA Oswin:** Choir (02-04, 06); Special Medallion (07); Silver Medallion (04); Bronze Medallion (03); ASEC (HD 03, D 02, 04, 05, 06); PWCEC (D 06); Australian Financial Literacy Assessment (D 05); GC (HD 05, D 06); UNSWMC (D 01); Cricket (02-07); 2nd XI (06-07); Football (02-06); SRCC (06); YOTS (07); Journalist.
- PHAM Andrew Nicholas:** (2006-2007): SRC (06); Library Monitor (06-07); Charities Committee (06-07); Recycling Committee (06); SCB (06); SWE (06); Debating (06); AMC (HD 04, 06, D 02, 05); ASCSC (D 03); ASSC (HD 04, D 03, 05); GC (HD 05, D 03); ASWC (D 04, 05, 06); SRCC (06); YOTS; Doctor.
- PHAM Andrew N:** Prefect (07)
- PHAM James:** (2006-2007): 1st PDHPE (06); AMC (D 02); Australian Schools Writing Comp (D 04); HTA NSW History Competition (D 05); Tennis, Most Valuable Player 3rd - 6th Grade (06); YOTS (06-07); SRCC (06); Psychologist.
- PHU Jason:** Peer Support Leader (05); SRC (06); Peer Mediator (06); SSB (05); Cabaret Night (05); Rowing (06-07); 2nd VIII (06); Rugby (05-07); Swimming (06); YOTS; SRCC: Cartoonist.
- PRENTICE-DAVIDSON Blaise:** Debating (04-07); 2nd Grade (06-07); Captain Second Grade (07); Winner Eastside Debating Competition (06); Finalist Hume Barbour Competition (07); English Advanced (06); F.A. Elgar Prize for English Extension (07); NCQ (HD 02, 04; D 03); GC (HD 04-05); ASEC (HD 03; 02, 04-06); ASWC (HD 06; D 02-05); ASCSC (D 02-05); ASSC (D 02-04); AMC (D 03, 05); Soccer (02-06); Cricket (02-06); Second XI (05-06, 06-07); Vice-Captain Second XI (06-07); Barrister.
- PRIOR Michael:** (2006-2007): NSW CHS Stan Jones Cup State Tennis Finalist: 1st Grade Tennis (06-07); 1st Grade Skiing (07); YOTS (06-07); SRCC (06).
- RAHMAN Tasneef:** (2006-2007): Charities Committee (07); AMC (D 02 05); ASSC (D 02-03); ASEC (D 02); 1st XI Cricket (06-07); Rugby(06-07); Australian Five Highs Cricket Touring Member; YOTS; SRCC; Legacy Badge Day; Stockbroker.
- ROCA Raymond:** Prefect (07); Peer Mediator (06); Peer Support Leader (05); Record Committee (06); Debating (02-06); Keith C. Cameron Memorial Prize for Dux (06); Sir Frederick Jordan Memorial Prize for Dux (05); J.H. Killip Prize for Dux (04); F.A. Elgar Prize for Dux (03); P&C Prize for Second (02); Headmaster's Award for Achievement in the Arts (06); Macquarie University Award for Academic Achievement (04); School Plaque (06); French (02-05); French Continuers (06-07); French Extension (06-07); English (02-05); English Extension 1 (07); English Extension 2 (07); History (04-05); Modern History (06); Visual Arts (04-05); Economics (06); Commerce (04); Science (04); German (04); ASEC (HD 02-03, 05; D 04, 06); ASCSC (D 02, 05; HD 03-04); ASWC (D 02, 06); ASSC (HD 02-03); NCQ (HD 02-03; D 04); AMC (D 02); Australian Financial Literacy Assessment (HD 05); PWCEC (HD 06); Soccer (02-05); SRCC (06); YOTS (07); Lawyer.
- SANKARAN Siddharth:** Peer Support (05); JCB (02); ICB (03); SCB (04); Marching band (03, 04); AMC (HD 02, 04 D 03, 05, 06); NCQ (HD 02); AMPEC ( HD 04); ASEC ( D 03, 05); ASSC (D 03, 05); ASCSC (D 04, 05); Cricket(02, 03, 05, 06); YOTS; SRCC; Jeans for Genes Day; Chocolate Drives; Actuary.
- SATHIAKUMAR Samuel:** Yearbook Committee (07); NCQ (D 06); ASMC (D 05, 03); ASWC (D 06), PWCEC (D 06, 07); Fencing (03-07), Bronze Medallist NSW Schools Fencing League (06), Captain 3rd Grade Fencing (06); YOTS; SRCC; Lawyer.
- SHEN Michael:** SRC (07); Chess Club (03); JSB (02-04); ICB (02-03); SCB (04-06); SSB (05-06); GPS Concert Band (05-06); Chinese Eisteddfod (02, 04, 06-07); Bronze Medallion (06); AMC (Prize 05, HD 06, D 02-04); ANCQ (Trophy 07, HD 02-03, 05-06); ASSC (02-04, 06); Music Pocket 906); Basketball (02-03); Football (02-06); Tennis (02-07); YOTS; SRCC; Royal Institute for Deaf and Blind Children; Legacy; Aerospace Engineer.
- SHEN William:** (2001-2007): AMC (D 02-03); ASCSC (D 02, 04); AMPEC (D 06); Basketball (02-05, 07); Tennis (06); Soccer (02-07); SRCC; YOTS; Legacy Badge Day; Jeans for Genes Day; Lawyer; Financial/Market Analyst; Stockbroker.
- SHUTTLEWORTH Aaron:**
- SIN Alfred:** Library Monitor (03-05); Charities Committee (07); Bronze Medallion (03); Silver Medallion (04); AMC (D 02, D 03); ASSC (D 02, D 04); ASCSC (D 02, D 03, D 04, D 05); NCQ (HD 03, D 05); Basketball (02-04); Fencing (03-05, 07); Rifle Shooting (05-06); SRCC (06); YOTS (07); Pharmacist; Biomedical/Mechatronic Engineer.

- SIN Matthew:** Peer Support Leader (05); Peer Mediator (06); AMC (HD 02, D 03, 05-06); ASSC (HD 06, D 02-05); GC (HD 05); ASCSC (D 02-03); NCQ (D 03-06); Basketball (05-07); SRCC; YOTS; Corporate Lawyer.
- SINGH Gurbaj:** Peer Mediator (05); Peer Support Leader (05); Recycling Committee (06); Special Award (06); AMC (HD 03, 06); BSC (HD 06-07); GC (HD 05-06); PWC Cadetship Cricket (06-07); Football (06); YOTS; SRCC; Legacy Badge Day; Businessman.
- SIU Chapman:** ICB (02-03); SCB (04-07); JSB (02-03); ISB (04); SSB (05-07); Chamber Choir (06); Anzac Day Marching Band (03-07); Schools Spectacular (04); GPS Orchestra (05); Symphony Orchestra (03-07); NCQ (HD 02-03); AMC (HD 02-03); ASSC (HD 02); AMC (D 04); ASSC (D 04); ASEC (D 02); Intermediate Concert Band Commitment Award (02); Year 10 Best Musician (05); Senior Stage Band Commitment Award (06); Music Pocket (06); Tennis (02-07); 2nd VI (05-06); 1st VI (06-07); Soccer (02-06); YOTS (07); Musician; Music Teacher; Financial Advisor; Statistician; Banker.
- SO Gary:** Training Strings Orchestra (02); AMC (D 02, 05, 06); ASWC (D 05); ANCQ (D 05); AFLA (HD 05); ASSC (D 02, HD 04, D 05); ASCSC (D 05); PWCEC (D 07); Soccer (03, 06); Economist.
- SOMANCHI Ravi:** Peer Support Leader (05); Library Monitor (05); AMC (HD 02-03, 05-06; D 04); AMPEC (HD 07); ASSC (D 03-06); NCQ (HD 06, D 04); GC (HD 05, D 04); ASEC (D 02); Cricket (05-06); Soccer (03, 05); SRCC; YOTS; Lawyer.
- SONG Harry:** Prefect (07)
- SONG Steven:** Peer Support (05), Library Monitor (02); Yearbook Committee (07); Training Strings Ensemble (02-03); King Lear (07); Debating (02-04); Peter Walker Prize for English Literature (05); Second Ext 1 English (06); Second Visual Arts (05); AMC (HD 03, 06, D 02, 04); NCQ (HD 03, 05, D 02, 04); ASEC (HD 04 D 02, 03, 05); ASSC (HD 03, 06, D 02, 03, 04, 05); National Titration Competition; Gold Medallion Basketball (02-04); Soccer (03-05); SRCC (06); YOTS (07); Jeans for Genes Day (07); Frustrated Novelist.
- SRIDHARAN Nirmal:**
- STADNIK Eugene:** Prefect (07); Peer Support Leader (05); Library Monitor (02-05); House Clerk (05-07); Badges Committee (05-07); Debating (02-05); C.W.Wick Prize for Physics (06); Prize for Science (03, 05); Prize for Classical Greek (03-06); Prize for Latin (04-05); P & C Prize for Second (03); Prize for Geography (03); The J.W.Gibbes Junior School Prize (05); The Arch Ferguson Prize (05); School Plaque (06); Special Award (05); Gold Medallion (04); Bronze Medallion (03); ACO National Qualifying Exam (HD 06); APO National Qualifying Exam (HD 06); AMC (Prize 03; HD 02, 04-05; D 06); ASSC (HD 02, 07; D 03-06); NCQ (HD 02, 04-06; D 03); ASCSC (D 03-05); GC (HD 04; D 05); MCS (HD 05); AFLA (D 05); NSW Classical Greek Reading Competition Finalist (05-06); House Colours (04); Cross Country (02-07), First Grade Cross Country (06-07), First Grade Cross Country Captain (07), Regional Cross Country (04-07), NSW All Schools Cross Country (07), Regional Cross Country Premiers (06-07); Tennis (03-06); Cricket (07); Athletics (04-06); Regional Athletics (04); Rifle Shooting (03-04); Second Grade Rifle Shooting (04); Scientist/Doctor.
- SU Raymond:** JCB (02); JSB (03); ICB (03-04); National Chinese Eisteddfod (03); Bronze Medallion (03); ASMC (D 02-03, 05-06); ASEC (D 06); NCQ (D 02, 06); ASSC (D 02-04); GC (HD 05); ASWC (D 05); Commitment Award JCB (02); Outstanding Musician ICB (03); Basketball (02); Soccer (02-03); Rowing (03-04); SRCC; YOTS.
- SUN Bill:** Prefect (07); Peer Support Leader (05); Gardening Committee (03); Recycling Committee (05); Chess Club (03-04); Training Strings Orchestra (02); Symphony Orchestra (03-07); Combined GPS Symphony Orchestra (04); National Chinese Eisteddfod (03, 06, 07); School Plaque (06); AMC (D 03); ASCSC (D 02); NCQ (D 04); ASSC (D 04); House Colours (04); Music Pocket (06); Football (02-06), 2nd Grade Football (06); Rowing (03-05); CHS Rowing 1st Championship Men's Eight (03); Swimming (02-04); Basketball (06-07); Captain 4th Grade Basketball (06); Captain 3rd Grade Basketball (07); MVP 3rd Grade Basketball (07); YOTS (07); SRCC (06, 07); Actuary, Civil Engineer.
- SURENDRAN Arthavan:** Peer Support Leader (05); Peer Mediator (06); Debating (02-06); School Plaque (06); AMC (Prize 02; HD 03; D 04-06); ASSC (HD 02-03; D 04-06); NCQ (HD 06; D 02-03); ASEC (D 02-06); ASCSC (D 04); AFLA (D 05); Cricket (02-07); Soccer (02-06); YOTS (07); SRCC (06); Starlight Children's Foundation (07); Doctor; Physiotherapist; Sports Commentator.

**TAN Alan:** Library Monitor (07); Chamber Choir (02); AFLA (D 05); AMC (D 02-06); ASCSC (D 02-05); ASEC (D 02); ASSC (D 02, 04-05); ASWC (D 05); GC (HD 04); MCS (D 05); NCQ (D 02, 05); NSW Schools Titration Competition (07); GPS Cross Country (04); SRCC (06); YOTS (07); Civil/Mechanical Engineer.

**TAN Jih:**

**TANEJA Karan:** Chess Club (04-05); AMC (D 02-04, 06); GC (D 04-05); NCQ (06); ASSC (D 05); Cricket (05); Tennis (05); Table Tennis (05); YOTS; SRCC; Actuary.

**TANG Patrick:** (2006-2007): Peer Mentor (04); Peer Tutor (05); School Orchestra (02-05); Tournament of Minds (02-03, 05); Inner West Eisteddfod (1st prize 04, HC 03-05); National Chinese Eisteddfod Merit (05); AMC D (05-06); HTANSW (D 05); ABW Enterprise Challenge (05-06), 1st place (05); Fencing 3rd (07), 4th (06); SRCC (06); YOTS (07);. Corporate analyst.

**TAO Jamie:** UNSW Prize for Economics (06); AFLA (D 05); AIMO (HD 05); AMC (Prize 04-06, HD 02-03); ASCSC (D 02-05); ASEC (D 02); ASSC (HD 02-06); ASWC (D 06); GC (HD 05); MCS (D 05); Mathsearch (05); NCQ (HD 04, 06, D 02-03); UNSWMC (Prize 05-07); Sydney High Volleyball Tournament Runners-Up (02-04); NSW Schools Cup Champions (03, 05-07), Runners-Up (04); NSW Metro Schools Volleyball Champions (04, 06-07), Runners-Up (03, 05); Volleyball Best and Fairest Player (04, 06); Volleyball Coach's Award (06); NSW CHS Volleyball Champions (05-07); GPS Volleyball Champions (05-07); Australian Schools Volleyball Cup Open Boys Division 1, 3rd Place (06); Basketball (02-07), Most Improved Player (06-07); A-Grade Volleyball (02-05), Captain (04-05), Second Grade Volleyball (04), First Grade Volleyball (05-07), NSW Regional CHS Sydney East Volleyball team (06); SRCC; YOTS; School Parking (02-07); Actuary; Lawyer.

**TRAN David:** Peer Mediator (06); Peer Support Leader (05); Library Monitor (02-03); Choir (02); AMC (D 03-05); GC (D 04); ASCSC (D 02, 04); NCQ (D 02, 06); ASSC (D 04); Basketball (02-04, 06-07); Soccer (03-05); Volleyball (02); YOTS; SRCC; Dentist, Actuary.

**TRAN Ian:**

**TRAN Joshua:**

**TRAN Kent:** Peer Support Leader (05); Yearbook Committee (07); Australian Schools Titration Competition (07); AMC (D 02-06); ASCSC (D 03-04); NCQ (D 03-06); GC (05); UNSWMC (06); SRCC; YOTS; Mechatronics Engineer, Aeronautical Engineer, Investment Banker.

**TRAN Nguyen:** Peer Support Leader (04); NCQ (HD 04, 06, D 02, 05); GC (HD 04-05); AMC (D 02-03, 05-06); ASEC (D 03-04); ASSC (D 04-06); ASCSC (D 03-05); ASWC (D 06); PWCEC (D 06); AFLA (D 05); MCYA; MCS (D 04-05); Basketball (02-07); Football (02-07); SRCC; YOTS; Lawyer; Doctor.

**TRAN Raymond:** Peer Support Leader (05); Yearbook Committee (07); AMC (D 04-05); AFLA (HD 05); ASCSC (D03-05); NCQ (HD 04-05, D02, 06); GC (HD 05); ASSC (HD 03, D02, 04-05); PWCEC (D 06); House Badge (05); YA Trade Fair Marketing Award (06), YA State Business Plan Award (06); Basketball (04-07); Soccer (03); Rugby (04-07); Cricket (02); Jeans for Genes Day (05); Legacy Day (06); SRCC (06); YOTS (07); Mechanical/ Mechatronic Engineer.

**TRAN William:** (2006-2007): SRC Representative (07); Peer Mediator (06); Peer Support Leader (05); Library Monitor (06-07); School Archive Committee; Charities Committee; Recycling Committee; Titration Committee; Vocal Ensemble (06-07); NCQ (D 06); YOTS; SRCC; Jeans for Genes Day; Clean Up Australia Day; 40 Hour Famine; Doctor; CEO; Medicinal Researcher.

**TSE Aaron:** (2006-2007): Chess Club (03-04); 'Smithy' (04); 'No Ill Feeling' (05); AMC (D 06); AMC (D 04); Fencing (06); YOTS (07); Accountant; Actuary.

**TSITALOVSKIY Vitaliy:**

**VERTOUDAKIS Alexander:** Senior Prefect (07)

**VISSER Josef:** ASSC (D 03-04); ASEC (D 03); NCQ (D 02-03); SRCC; YOTS.

**VU Martin:** AMC (D 05); GC (D 04, 05); 1st Prorak Trophy Rifle Shooting (07); Basketball (03-05); Soccer (03); Rifle Shooting (04-07) 2nd Grade (04), Captain (05), 1st Grade (06-07); SRCC (06); YOTS (07).

**VULKANOVSKI Alexander:** Tournament of the Minds (02); Westpac Maths Competition (Prize 05, D 03); ASEC (D 05); ASCSC (D 05); Basketball (02-06), 3rd Grade (05-06); Rugby (04-06); Regional Athletics Carnival (05); YOTS; SRCC; Conveyancing/Lawyer.

**WAI Bernard:** (2006-2007): Football (06-07), 2nd Grade (07); YOTS; SRCC.



**WALKER Harry:** Prefect (07)

**WAN Anthony:** Peer Support Leader (05); Recycling Committee (04-07); Charities Committee (06-07); Training String Orchestra (02-04); Symphony Orchestra (03-04); School Plaque (07); AMC (HD 02-04, 06; D 05); PWCEC (HD 06-07); ASCSC (D 02-05); ASEC (D 06); ASSC (Prize 03; HD 06; D 02, 04-05, 07); GC (HD 04-05, 07); MCS (D 04); NCQ (Prize 03; HD 04-07); Soccer (03-05); Jeans for Genes Day; Legacy Day; YOTS; SRCC.

**WANG Albert:** AMC (HD 03, D 02, 04); ASSC (D 02, 04, 06); NCQ (HD 06, D 04); ASCSC (D 03, 04); Cricket (02-04); Basketball (02, 05-07); Rugby (03-05); Basketball MVP 5th Grade (05-06), 4th Grade (06-07); Cricket 14s Committee Award (02-03); 15s Bowling Award (03-04); SRCC (06); YOTS (07).

**WANG Andrew:**

**WANG Godwin:** Yearbook Committee (07); Charities Committee (07); AMC (D 02-03); ASCSC (D 04-05); ASSC (HD 02, D 03-05); GC (HD 05); NCQ (D 02); ASEC (D 02); Silver Medalist in CHSSA Men's Championship IV's (06), Bronze Medalist in CHSSA Men's Championship Quad's (06), Finalist in NSW Fencing League Mini Boy's Foil Teams (03); Rowing (03-06), Stroke of 1st IV (06); Fencing (02-05, 07); Rugby (06); YOTS; SRCC; Entrepreneur.

**WANG Iain:** (2006-2007) Senior Strings (06-07); PWCEC (D 06-07); AMC (HD 05-06); MCYA (D 02 C 03); MCS (C 04-05); ASEC (D 03-06); ASSC (D 04-05); GC (D 03, HD 04); NCQ (HD 03, D 04-05); SRCC; YOTS; Career Combining Economics and English.

**WANG Jing:** AMC(HD 03, 05, D 04); SRCC; YOTS; Psychologist.

**WANG Michael:** ICB (02-04); AMC (HD 03,05); ASSC (HD 03,06 D 02,04); NCQ(D 05); ASCSC (D 03); ASEC (D 04); ASWC (D 05); Basketball (06-07); Soccer (06); Rowing (03); Fencing (03-04); YOTS (07); SRCC(06); Film Director; Cartoon Animator; Journalist; Lawyer; Game Designer.

**WANG Siyang:**

**WANG Stanley:**

**WANG Wayne:** (2006-2007): School and GPS Choir (06); AMC (Prize 04, D 03, 05); AMPEC (HD 07); ASSC (HD 04, D 03, 05); GC (HD 04, D 03); AMUS (Piano); Basketball (06); Rugby (06); City to Surf (05); YOTS (07); Financial Adviser; Piano teacher.

**WASON Sundeep:**

**WEIGHT Joshua:** (2006-2007): Basketball (06-07); 1st Grade Soccer (06-07); Combined GPS 1st XI (07); YOTS; Physiotherapist.

**WILSON Jeremy:**

**WONG Cambridge:** Peer Support Leader (05); Peer Mediator (06); SRC (07); Library Monitor (02-05); Chess Club (02-03); Recycling Committee (03-04); Duke Of Edinburgh (07); Yearbook Committee (07); YA Company 'Superiya'(06); Chamber Choir (02-03); Opera House 'ABBA' Musical (02); Year 10 Drama Production (05); Chinese Eisteddfod (02-04); NCQ (HD 03-04; D 05-06); ASSC (HD 04; D 03); ASCSC (D 03, 05); ASEC (D 04); AMC (D 05-06); Individual Chinese Eisteddfod (1st 04; 2nd 03); House Badge (05); YA UTS State IT Award (06); Red Chord Scouts Achievement (03); Basketball Most Valuable Player (04-05); Basketball (02-07); Captain of 13Cs, 14Cs, 15Bs, 16Bs, 5th Grade Basketball; Soccer (02-05), Captain of 14B's, 15B's Soccer; Australian Scouting Movement (02-05), 1st Hurstville Scout Patrol Leader (04-05); SRCC (06); YOTS (07); Senior First Aid (06); Doctor.

**WONG Danny:** AMC (HD 04, D 05, 06); ASCSC (HD 02, D 03); ASEC (D 02); ASSC (HD 03, D 02, 04, 05); NCQ (HD 04; D 05); Cricket Bowling Award (02); Cricket (02-04), Trans Harbour Trophy (03); Basketball (05-07); Off-Season Basketball Competition (06); Soccer (02-06); SRCC; YOTS; Computer/Structural/Mechanical Engineer.

**WONG David:**

**WONG Kelvin:** Peer Support (05); SRC (07); MUNA (05-06); ASSC (HD 03, D 07); AMC (D 03); ANCQ (D 02); ASCSC (D 04); ASEC (D 03, 04, 07); Legacy Day (06); SRCC (06); YOTS (07); Gym Leader.

**WONG Leslie:** Library Monitor (02-04); Recycling Committee (05-07); Chess Club (03); National Chinese Eisteddfod (03); Bronze Medallion (02); Silver Medallion (03); Gold Medallion (04); Special Award (05); School Plaque (06); AMC (P 06, HD 05, D 02-04); ASCSC (D 04); ASEC (D 05); ASSC (D 02-07); NCQ (HD 04, D 05); Basketball Most Improved Player (05-06); Basketball (02-07); Captain 4th Grade Basketball (07); Volleyball (02); Soccer (03-06); YOTS (07); SRCC (06); Actuary; Lawyer; Optometrist.

**WONG Milton:**

**WONG Wilson:** JCB (02); ICB (03); SCB (04-07); JSB (03); ISB (04); SSB (05-07); Chamber Choir (06); Anzac Day Marching Band (03-07); Schools Spectacular (04); GPS Orchestra (05, 07); Symphony Orchestra (03); Music (03); DT (04); Bronze Medallion (04); ASMC (HD 04, D 02-03, 05); ASSC (D 02, 04-05); NCQ (HD 03, D 02, 04); ASEC (D 04-06); ASCSC (05); GC (D 04); Music Pocket; Year 10 Best Musician; Chamber Choir Best Senior Musician; Symphony Orchestra Commitment Award; YOTS (07); Musician; Music Teacher.

**WU Eddy:** AMC (HD 02, D 03-04); AMPEC (D 06); Chinese Eisteddfod (05); Fencing (03-04); Rowing (03-04); Captain 2nd IV (06).

**WU Li Ming:** SRC (07); Charities Committee (05-07); Chinese Eisteddfod (06); AMC (HD 02, 06; D 03, 05, 07); ASEC (D 02-03, 05-06); ASSC (D 03-06); ASCSC (D 02); NCQ (D 02, 04-06); GC (D 05); AWC (D 06); MCS (D 05); PWCEC (D 07); SRCC (06); Jeans For Genes Day (06); YOTS (07); Chartered Accountant.

**WU William:** Peer Support Leader (05); JCB (02); ICB (03-04); SCB (05); Chinese Eisteddfod (06-07); AMC (P 03, D 02, 04, 07); NCQ (D 04, 06); ASSC (D 04); SRRC (06); YOTS (07); Investment Banker.

**XIA Tom:** Vocal Ensemble (02-04); AMC (02, 04-07); NCQ (HD 03, D 04-06); ASSC (D 03-04); ASEC (HD 03, 04-06); GC (HD 05); ASCS (D 03, 05); Sustainable Living Challenge (D 05); Soccer (03-07); Captain (06); Table Tennis (04-07); YOTS; SRCC; Psychologist; Advertising Consultant.

**XIE Jeffrey:** Peer Mediator (06); Peer Support Leader (05); Library Monitor (03-04); House Clerk (06-07); Recycling Committee (04-05); Charities Committee (06); Guitar Ensemble (02-03); First Chinese (03-05); ASSC (D 02-04); NCQ (HD 06, 04); AMC (Prize 02), (HD 04, D 05); Chinese Eisteddfod Silver (06), Bronze (03-04), (07); House Badge (05); Basketball (02-07); Athletics (03); Soccer (02-06); YOTS (07); SRCC (06); Actuary; Pharmacist.

**XU Richard:** Prefect (07); Peer Support Leader (05); SRC (05-06); Vice-President (06); UNSW 'U-lead' Leadership Program (05-06); ICB (02); JSB(02); ISB (03); SCB (03-06); SSB (04-07); Diminished Fifths (Jazz Band) (06); First PDHPE (02); First Music 1 (05); First Music 1 HSC (06); HSC Music Encore Nomination (06); Bronze Medallion (02); Silver Medallion (03); Gold Medallion (04); Special Award (05); School Plaque (06); NCQ (HD 02, 04-05; D 06); AMC (HD 02, 04-05; D 06); ASSC (HD 05; D 02, 04); GC (HD 05); ASEC (D 02,04); Music Pocket (07); Cricket (02-04); Basketball (05-07); Football (Soccer) (02-07), 2nd XI (05), 1st XI (06-07); Athletics (03-05), Junior Captain (05), Age Champion (04-05), Zone Age Champion (03), Zone (02-04), Region (02-04), State (04); YOTS; SRCC; Physiotherapist; Psychologist.

**YANG Louis:** Prefect (07); Peer Support (05); SRC (05); Peer Mediator (06); Record Committee (06); ICB (03); SCB (04-07); JSB (03); ISB (04); SSB (05-06); GPS Concert Band (06); Schools Spectacular (04); Italy Music Tour (05); Debating (05); National Chinese Eisteddfod (03-04, 06); First Music 1 (05); School Trophy (07); AMC (HD 06; D 04-05); PWCEC (HD 07; D 06); ASSC (D 03-05); Music Pocket; Cricket (02-07), 2nd XI (06-07); Rugby (02-07), 1st XI (06-07); GPS Athletics (04-07); YOTS (07); Corporate Lawyer; Entrepreneur.

**YANG Richard:** Prefect (07); Charities Committee President (06-07); SRC (02-07); Peer Mediator (06); Peer Support Leader (05); "Ulead" Co-Chairperson (05); Library Monitor (04-05); Charities Committee; Yearbook Committee; Jersey Committee; Chess Club (02-03); Training String Orchestra (02-03); Debating (02-03); Chinese Eisteddfod (03-05); School Plaque (06); First Chinese Foreigner (05); AMC (D 03-06); PWCEC (HD 06, D 07); ASCSC (HD 04, D 05); ASEC (D 04); ASSC (D 03-05, 07); AFLC(HD 05); GC(HD 04-05); NCQ(HD 04-06); House Badge; Tennis (02-03); Football (02-07); Captain GPS Football (03-07); Stewart House; Bogabilla; Jeans for Genes Day; Lak Saviyala Foundation; SRCC; YOTS; Legacy; Cancer Council; Royal Institute for Deaf and Blind Children; CEO; Entrepreneur; Stockbroker.

**YAO Edward:** ASCSC (D 02, 04-05); AMC (D 02-04); NCQ (HD 04, D 02); ASEC (D 02-05); ASSC (D 03-05); Basketball (02-05); soccer (02-05, 07); YOTS; SRCC; Architect.

**YE Huan:** (2006-2007): KNHS, 4th Overall Year; 1st Chinese (04); 2nd Science; 3rd Adv Maths; History; Video Film Animation (05); 1st Lote and music; 3rd Visual Arts (03); AMC (D 03); KNHS 59 Merit Awards; SRCC (06); YOTS (07); Commerce Lawyer.

- YEUNG Rano:** AMC (D 03,05); ASCSC (D 03-04); ASSC (D 04); NCQ (HD 05, D 03); Basketball (05-07); Tennis (02-04); Soccer (02-04); Rugby (05-07); YOTS; SRCC; Civil Engineer.
- YU Kelvin:** Peer Mediator (06); Peer Support Leader (05); Library Monitor (02-04); Da Vinci Decathlon (04-05); Model United Nations Assembly France, (05); Debating (02-07), Premier's Debating Challenge, State Champions (03), State Runners Up (07), Captain, 2nd Grade Debating (06), Captain 1st Grade Debating (07), GPS Debating Runners Up (06-07), CHS 1st Grade Debating (06-07), NSW Representatives Debating Challenge Winners (06), Eastside Debating Competition Runners Up (07), Winners (06); UTS Registrar's Cup (05-06); Macquarie Schools' Cup (05, 07); State Debating Squad (06-07); Public Speaking (04-07); Legacy Junior Public Speaking Award State and National Runner Up (04); Rostrum Voice of Youth (04, 07); The Eastern Suburbs Public Speaking Competition (04-06), 2nd Place (05); Sydney Morning Herald Plain English Speaking Award State Finalist (06) Semi-Finalist (07); Lawrence Campbell Oratory (06-07); Trinity Grammar Senior Invitational Oratory (06-07); 1st History (03); Sydney High Certificate of Merit in English (03); The Peter Walker Award for English Literature (04); 1st Elective History (04); The Junior Prize for Public Speaking (04); 1st Legal Studies (06); Debating (Prize 03-04, 06-07); School Plaque (06); ASCSC (HD 05; D 02-04); ASSC (HD 03-04; D 02); AMC (HD 03-04, 06; D 02, 05); NCQ (HD 02-04); ASEC (D 02-04, 06); GC (HD 04-05); Australian Language Certificates (German) (D 04); ASFLC (Medal 05); PWCEC (HD 07); Macquarie Schools' Cup Highly Commended (05); Swimming Team (02-07); Football (04-07); YOTS; Diplomat, Corporate Lawyer, Investment Banker.
- YUAN Steven:** JCB(02); ICB (03); AMC(HD 02-05, D 06); ASEC (D 02-06); ASSC (HD 02, D 03-04); GC (HD 05); AMPEC (D 05); Soccer (02-05); Rugby (06-07); Basketball (02-06); SRCC; YOTS; Architect, Firefighter, Paratrooper.
- YUEN Shek-Him:**
- ZAMAN Redhwan:**
- ZHAI George:** AMC (D 02); AMPEC (D 06); Soccer (03-05).
- ZHANG Geoffrey:** Peer Support Leader (05); AMC (D 02, 05); NCQ (D 05); ASCSC (D 02, 04); ASSC (D 05-06); Basketball (02, 06-07); Rowing (02-03); Volleyball (07); YOTS; Jeans for Genes Day; Legacy Day; SRCC; Electrical Engineer.
- ZHANG Sean:** AMC (HD 03, 05; D 02, 04); NCQ (HD 04); ASCSC (D 03, 05); GC (D 05); ASSC (D 02-04, 06); ASEC (D 03, 06); PWC BSC (D 06); PWCEC (D 06); Soccer (03-07); YOTS; SRCC; Engineer; Commerce Related Career.
- ZHANG Wilson:** Peer Support Leader (05); AMC (D 02-05); ASEC (D 03); ASSC (D 06); Silver Medalist in CHSSA Men's Championship IV's (06); 8th Grade Basketball M.I.P (07); Rowing (02-06), 1st IV (05-06), Captain of IVs (05-06), Rowing Exchange with Melbourne High School (05); Basketball (06-07); Rugby (03-07), 1st XV (06), Vice Captain 3rd XV (07), Captain 15C's (05), Captain 14C's (04); SRCC; YOTS; Structural Engineer.
- ZHU Jie:** Chinese Eisteddfod Individual and Group (03);. AMC (HD 06, D 02, 04-05); ASSC (D 05); NCQ (D 04); Table Tennis (04-07); Swimming (02); Tennis (03);. SRCC; Chemical Engineer; Structural Engineer.
- ZHUANG Wei:** Peer Support Leader (05); Library Monitor (05); Training Band (02); ICB (03-04); Chinese Eisteddfod (04); AMC (HD 04-05, D 02-03, 06); Basketball (02-07), 1st Grade (06-07), Off-season Basketball (05-06); Rugby (04-06); Soccer (02-03); Zone Athletics (02-06); SRCC (06); YOTS (07).

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HUANG Weicong  
HUYNH Albert  
LAM Peter  
LANE Samuel Taylor  
LEE Jacky  
LI Anthony  
LI Kevin  
LIN Zongkai Kevin  
LU Ian  
LU Kevin  
LU Lawrence  
OU Benson  
PANNILA Pasan Miyuru  
RAHMAN Muhammad Maaz  
RAZEEN Shanaz  
TAN Timothy  
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WEI Max Chang Ting  
WU Charles  
XIAN Jay  
XU Justin Zhi Yang  
YANG Kun Yang  
ZHENG Vinson

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CHEN Simon  
CONNELL Maxwell Alan  
GARAYALDE Gabriel Emilio  
GOLLAN Timothy James  
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MCDONALD Ryan David

MORROW Christopher Robert  
PETRENAS Matthew Luke  
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ROZSA Marcell  
SALAGAME Sujay  
SELVAKKUMAR Denaysh  
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MOK Jonathan  
MOKDAD Ali  
PARK Daniel Donghyun  
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RASHID Shafat  
SHEN Andy Shi Hua  
STEFANIDIS William  
VLATKO Luke Anthony  
WANG Zhong Ze Jonson  
XIONG Ling  
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CHIN Aaron Matthew  
CHUNG Anthony  
DENG Manfred  
GAFFNEY Andrew  
GUNARATNE Kumudika Abey  
Dee Ra  
HUYNH Andrew Binh  
KHAN Iftiar  
KIM Joshua  
LIN Kevin  
LOU Leo  
LUI Joseph Chan-Fung  
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NGUYEN Duy Phan  
NGUYEN Vinh Danh David  
PAUL Nishant  
PETRIE Jonah Bezjak  
PHAN Kevin  
SABAU Oliver  
SIDDIQUI Sheikh Benzir  
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 TRAN Howard  
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 WONG Yale Zhuxiao  
 WOO Ryan  
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 DO Cornelius  
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 GONG Andrew  
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 LI Leon Ao  
 LIU Wen Jia  
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 LY Austin  
 OVADIA Eric Jacques  
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 MUSGROVE Jack Timothy  
 PARAMESWARAN Allen  
 Kaari  
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 PHILLIS Maxwell Craig  
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 VI Harry  
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 HUANG Hugh  
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 LI Merlin  
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 PAPERNY Daniel  
 QIU Edward  
 RAJENDRAM Jeremy Ishwaran  
 SANDHU Sameep  
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 SU Kai Wen  
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JONES Matthew Timothy  
KAYES Masnun  
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LIM Teng Yin  
LIN William  
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PEDNEKAR Nakul Sanjay  
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SHARMA Avish Pal  
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CHEN Roy  
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CLUNE Addison Jia-Jia  
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KASHYAP Roshan  
KATSIKAROS Christian  
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LO Kelvin Chunyip  
NGUYEN Darren  
NGUYEN Kent  
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CHEN Jacky  
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GAROFANO Stephen Patrick  
JURISEVIC Anton Nicholas  
KURTS Phillip Patrick  
LAMBERT Daniel Scott  
LAU Matthew

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LIM Kang Hooi  
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PENG Charley Chung  
QUAH Xhian Meng-Xavier  
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RICHARDS Hugo Armour  
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KRISHNAN Arun  
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GAO Ting  
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HUANG Nathan  
HUDA Shah Tahmeed  
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KE Zhihao  
KHOU Vincent  
LAU Brian  
LEE Raymond  
LI Aolin  
LI Hongwei  
LO Daniel  
LU Benjamin Yang  
LU Simon  
PONRAJ Shane Anujan  
SHAN Daniel  
SHURAPEY Dmitriy  
SIN Michael Jonathan  
TRAN Anthony  
TRAN An-Ton  
TRAN Minh Trung  
VASHIST Divesh Kumar  
YIU Michael Ka Ho  
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ZHANG Shorson  
ZHANG Victor

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HO Darren King Man  
HUI Joshua  
IP James  
JIN Daniel  
LAM Kevin  
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LIEU Nathan  
LIU Chang Charles  
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MA Winson

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 SHI David  
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 CAMPION Daniel Takumi  
 CERECINA Ivan  
 CHOI Jun Young  
 CULIBAO Jonathan Dev  
 DIOLASO Jonathan  
 DU Alexander  
 FSADNI Matthew Andreas  
 GU Howard  
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 HUANG Dean  
 JI Remy Ran  
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 KARUNARATNE Sascha Ranil  
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 LA Kenny Yuet-Kee  
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 LOCHNER Nicholas Robert  
 MA Kevin  
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 MEHMEDBASIC Muhamed  
 ROSENGARTEN Toby Keith  
 SHAPILSKY Alexander  
 SHARMA Vaibhav Shanker  
 SUN Yu Tom  
 TONG Dao Chen  
 TRAC Warren Sidney  
 TSENG Benjamin Kou An  
 WANG Jack Xia

WANG Kevin Kaibing  
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 XU Bob Xin Cong  
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 HUANG Garland Jichao  
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 LIU Simon Dellen  
 LOCKE Patrick  
 LUNG Bernard  
 MCDONNELL Nathan  
 MONTOYA ZORRILLA Edwin  
 NA Koeun  
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 NGUYEN William Xuan-  
 Truong  
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 SUN Marco Zhongxiao  
 TAN Lucian  
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 YANG Caly  
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 CHEN Harry Hao  
 COUTTS Matthew Patrick  
 DONG Roger Teanfen  
 HAMMER Mitchell James  
 HAYES Nicholas Constantine  
 HUANG Jack Di  
 KARUNAKARAN Arun Suban  
 KWOK Nathan  
 LAI Alexandro Hoyen  
 LAU Garry Ka Kei  
 LEE Benjamin  
 LEE Joshua Wei Min  
 LEUNG Andrew Ivan  
 LINDEBACK Thomas Declan  
 LIVINGSTON Joel Nelson  
 MAI Tam The  
 NADKARNI Ishan  
 NGUYEN Joseph Trung-Tin  
 PHUAH Paul Daniel Kuan Yew  
 PHUNG Jordan Michael



*Class Lists*

RATNAYAKE Ricky  
SERBAN Michael Eugen  
SIVASHANMUGARAJAH  
Anosh  
SONG Joon Hoe  
SPENCER Mark Theodore  
SRIRANJAN Kogulan  
SUGITO Stuart  
TSE Andrew King-Hai  
TSUI Vincent  
VITHANAGE Dasith  
Madushanka  
WONG Dominic Shun Ship  
ZHANG Schuman Shangming

**Class 11T**  
CHAN Nathan Long Hay  
CHOI Kwon Nung  
DAI Jun  
DENG Yiming  
DU Ping Chuan  
FAN David Enwei  
FANG Bernard  
FU Danny  
HASSOUN Nour'Ildean  
HO Anthony  
HUYNH Anthony  
IYER Kartik  
JOO Timothy  
JUNG Daniel Min Gyu  
LE Kevin  
LE Minh  
LI Edward Rong Hua

LI Timothy Man-Kit  
LIU Ruiwen  
MACK Henry  
MAO John  
NGUYEN Peter Quang  
PERANANTHAN Varan  
PHAN Albert Bao-An  
TANG Andrew  
TANG Christopher  
TSE Damien Hong  
VU Mark  
WANG Arthur Yazhe  
WONG Dennis Jim Tim  
XIAO Dinghua  
YIP Jackson Siu Kit  
YU David Xiang  
ZHAI Xiaoyi



# Cadet Unit

Two thousand and seven was a year that saw many great but different 'once in a lifetime' opportunities. It was a year filled with many events which literally brightened the calendar of the Sydney High School Cadet Unit (SHSCU). In the first five months of training, cadets were trained in drill with arms, marched on national ceremonial occasions, paraded for the Governor General of Australia at the opening of the Sir Roden Cutler VC Memorial Gates, fired live at a Battalion level Bivouac, represented the unit and the school at a full military funeral and attended the Annual Field Exercise 07.

The year was also a very important one in terms of history. Not only had the unit successfully achieved several goals within the first five months of operation in the year, but also for the first time in over ten years a ceremonial guard with arms was conducted within the school grounds. With the support of the High's Foster unit UNSWR (University New South Wales Regiment), the unit was able to access F88 Austyers for training and the ceremony.

Training of the guard was conducted by Warrant Officer Class 2 Anthony Ho while the

actual ceremonial guard was led by Senior Under Officer Weiping Lu. The guard was comprised of the senior cadets and NCOs of SHSCU and had in little more than a year paraded twice for the Governor General, the first occasion having been for the first Sir Roden Cutler Day mid 2006.

SHSCU had further experience with the F88 Austyers on the annual Battalion Bivouac where the senior cadets were given the opportunity to fire the rifle on a live range. The Unit also had the chance to fire the F88 Austyer indoors with the WTSS (Weapons Training Simulation System). This two day bivouac gave a taste for the new recruits of a full unit bivouac. Here, they gained valuable experiences of living in the field for the first time

In addition to the Governor General parade, the members of SHSCU were also part of the ANZAC day city march. On one side of the city a party of seven led by CUO Lu marched under the banner of the 2/1 AIF RAA, while on the other side of the city, WO2 Ho as Drum Major with Corporal Santoso as the band's standard bearer led a marching band of almost 90 Sydney High students (the highest recorded number of students attending) in the march.



*Two Platoon.*

Four members of SHSCU attended a full military funeral for Major General James William Norrie, an Old Boy of Sydney High. General Norrie played in the 1st XI and 1st XV and was also a previous President of the Old Boys Union. The four that attended the funeral with Old Boy William Clegg were WO2 Anthony Ho, Sgt Denis Stojanovic, Cpl Johan Santoso and Cdt Benjamin Lu. They served as a guard alongside the army's guard for General Norrie. Among those who attended the funeral were former Sydney Boys Headmaster Bob Outterside, Lady Cutler, and the Governor General. This encounter with the Governor General was positive, as he acknowledged the unit and spoke to the attending members of the unit.

Currently, SHSCU's unit strength is 41, nine of whom are NCOs, commanded by one Cadet Under Officer (SUO), and parade every Tuesday afternoon. Supervised by Major Knowles and Old Boy William Clegg, training has dramatically improved from 2006 following the acquisition of a wealth of resources. Cadet training at SHSCU in 2007 was completely revamped to meet the demands of the selective high school cadets. Year after year, the cadets continue to broaden their knowledge in aspects that can neither be taught through text books nor teachers.

For the recruits, their training involved familiarising themselves with the customs and traditions of the Australian Army, a basic knowledge of fieldcraft, drill without arms, and physical training activities like rope courses. For the senior cadets of the unit, training involved advanced drill with arms, practical lessons of first aid, the use of radio telecommunication devices, and on several occasions being placed in various leadership roles.

This year's AFX (Annual Field Exercise) saw a smaller turnout compared to last year. Most of the NCOs (Non-Commissioned Officers) or senior cadets could not attend due to their Winter GPS shooting commitments. This, however, did not prevent the smooth running of the exercise, which created great opportunities, especially for those NCOs able to attend. Notably, the highest rank on AFX was Sgt Peter Nguyen, accompanied by Cpl Johan Santoso and Cpl Aditya Hatle.

**From a cadet's perspective:** It was a whole new experience for both new and senior cadets as the structure of the AFX had changed from



*Present Arms.*

previous years. Although the weather conditions during the AFX 2007 were rough, the exercise still proved a challenging learning experience.

**From a non-commissioned officer's perspective:** This year's Annual Field Exercise was accompanied by cold weather and rain and provided cadets with a real challenge of living out in the field. Regardless of the climate, the courses for the camp ran well, with Cpl Santoso taking out the Student of Merit Award for his Advanced Radio Operators Course. Supplementary courses include Signals, First Aid, Field Engineering, Survival, and Adventure Training, and proved to be an incentive for participating cadets to look forward to future camps.

SHSCU has come a long way since 2006 and with the continual efforts of our CO, Major Knowles, and Training Officer, William Clegg, Sydney High School Cadet Unit continues to spearhead the leadership roles presented within the school. Leaving the unit this year as a Year 12 student is Senior Under Officer CUO W.Lu.

WO2 Anthony Ho, Company Sergeant-Major

## **Sydney High School Cadet Unit**

### **Manning Detail - 2007**

Officer Commanding: Maj Knowles

Training Officer: CUO W.Clegg

Senior Under Officer: CUO W.Lu

Company Sergeant-Major: WO2 A.Ho

Company Quartermaster Sergeant:

Admin Sergeant: Sgt J.Wachsman

Admin Clerk: Cpl N.McDonnell

#### **1 Platoon**

OC: Sgt D.Stojanovic

2I/C:

#### **2 Platoon**

OC: Sgt P.Nguyen

2I/C:

Section Cmndrs: Cpl G.Zhang (1 Sect)

Cpl A.Chan (2 Sect)

Section 2ICs: Cpl B.Lung (1 Sect)

Cpl C.Lam (2 Sect)

Section Cmndrs: Cpl J.Santoso (3 Sect)

Cpl A.Hatle (4Sect)

Section 2ICs:

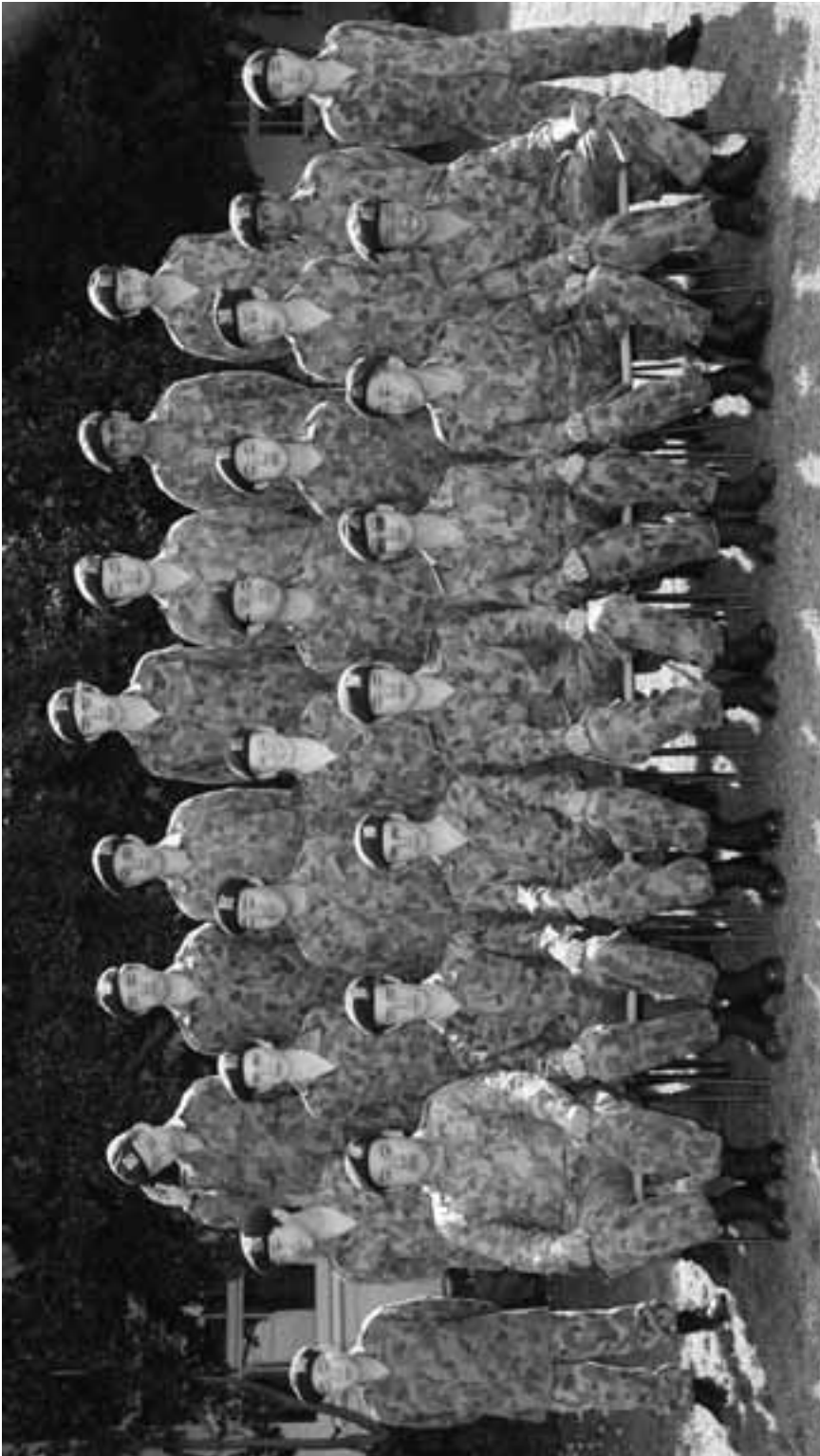
Cdt S.Binns (4 Sect)



#### **Senior Cadets**

**Back Row:** Cpl J.Santoso, Sgt P.Nguyen, Sgt J.Wachsman, Cpl A.Hatle.

**Front Row:** Sgt D.Stojanovic, CUO W.Lu (Senior Under Officer), WO2 A.Ho (Company Sergeant-Major).



**Cadet Unit**

**Back Row:** Cdt W.Dang, Cdt B.Lu, Cdt W.Santucci, Cdt A.Saunders, Cdt A.Gong, Cpl A.Hatle, Cdt K.Lu.

**Second Row:** Cdt N.Ooi, Cdt A.Wu, Cdt S.Marques, Cdt A.Low, Cdt I.Eveleigh, Cdt M.Do, Cdt B.Leo, Cdt K.Xu, Cdt T.Silveira, Cdt B.Lee.

**Front Row:** Cpl J.Santoso, Sgt J.Wachsmann, Sgt D.Stojanovic, CUO W.Lu (Senior Under Officer), WO2 A.Ho (Company Sergeant Major), Sgt P.Nguyen, Cdt J.Nguyen.

# P&C Report

**S**ydney Boys High School P&C and its subcommittees have continued to contribute significantly this year to the School and its co-curricular activities by providing support in terms of financial as well as human resources. It has also been a very rewarding year working with a team of very dedicated members of the P&C Executive and Year Group Representatives.

During the year, P&C Association generated income of \$81,485, mostly from School Canteen surpluses (\$40,000), Parents' P&C Membership Fees (\$22,475) and funds generated from Parking (\$18,292). Raewyn Duffy and her hardworking Canteen Committee, Canteen staff and volunteer parents deserve special mention for their effort.

From its funds, P&C Association contributed \$81,384 to the School to implement various school programmes nominated by our Principal, including payment for the new demountable classroom (\$18,127), the second stage of the classroom data projector rollout (\$12,000), repayment of the tennis court loan (\$10,000), uplighting for the Roden Cutler Gates (\$8,600), replacement of two pianos in the music rooms (\$15,000) and the Library building fund (\$17,657). The Association also contributed \$25,000 to a term deposit account to start a fund to replace the School's Coaster bus when it reaches the end of its useful life in about four years. We are grateful to Geoff Andrews, our Treasurer, for his meticulous effort in balancing our budget and maximising our contribution to the School.

The income generated by P&C mentioned above does not include funds raised by the P&C sub-committees for direct support to the co-curricular activities they represent. The 15 P&C sub-committees are Athletics, Basketball, Canteen, Cricket, Debating, Fencing, Football, Music, Rifle Shooting, Rowing, Rugby, Sailing, Skiing, Tennis and Volleyball and they have all made vital contribution to the School. As well as raising in excess of \$200,000 for the benefit of their co-curricular activities, from parking, barbecues and canteens, dinners, trivia nights and other fundraising activities, they provided much needed parental support in organising, transporting, officiating, managing and catering for the teams and their activities.

P&C Association continues to work with the Sydney Boys High Development Committee,

with representatives from the School Council, Foundation, OBU, P&C and Library staff, chaired by Tailoi Chan-Ling in her tireless effort to explore various avenues of fundraising for the School. A telephone fundraising campaign for the new Library project was undertaken during the year with good support from volunteer parents. The immense contribution of Ish Rajendrum, Steve Saunders, Barbara Taylor and Charles Ovadia in the telephone campaign subcommittee is gratefully acknowledged. Barbara Taylor's contribution on behalf of the P&C to the Open Day and Orientation Day activities and Charles Ovadia's initiative in establishing the Parents Mentor Scheme are wonderful examples of positive impact that active parents make to the school.

P&C has introduced a new guest speakers programme to the monthly P&C General Meeting on topics that are of interest to all parents. Topics covered this year include GPS sport at Sydney Boys High, Climate Change and what we can do as a School Community, Values Education Programme in SBHS, Drug, Alcohol & Teenagers.

After two years as President of P&C, our ex-President Shane Brown remains totally committed to Sydney Boys High and is currently the Chairperson of the Sydney Boys High Foundation, an incorporated body, jointly managed by the P&C, the Old Boys' Union (OBU) and the Principal. The Foundation, with four P&C representatives, is responsible for maintaining and managing the assets of the school to support the school ethos and school environment. P&C is currently working with the Foundation in improving the facilities at the Outterside Centre and in developing the potential of the High Store and the expanded use of the Great Hall with its license as Place of Public Entertainment.

It was also a pleasure to work with our Principal, Dr. Kim Jaggar and the School staff as well as representatives of OBU in the School Council. On behalf of the P&C Association, I would like to thank Dr. Jaggar and all the staff at Sydney Boys High for developing and maintaining a wonderful learning and nurturing environment at the school. Continuing participation of P&C activities by all parents is vital for the school and we will look forward to another exciting and successful year next year working productively and harmoniously with the School Community.

# Sydney Boys High School Canteen

According to "High: The Centenary History of Sydney High School", our school canteen was established in 1960 and efficiently manned by members of the Ladies Auxiliary, which effectively means we have been feeding hungry boys for almost half a century!

Times have changed and the Canteen with them. Over the years we have been blessed with dedicated Canteen Supervisors who have taken a real interest in our boys' health and well-being. Led by Karen Barry and Tracey Trompp, our current team is carrying on the tradition in great style, while also introducing new and exciting

food options! The boys (and staff) have never had it so good....varied menus, healthy food; reasonable prices....and they know that every dollar of profit made is ploughed back into the school for the boys' benefit.

The Canteen could not function as it does without the dedicated help of all our loyal volunteers and Prefect helpers. They deserve our grateful thanks for making it possible to serve fresh food at reasonable prices and still return a profit.

Let's continue to support Sydney High Canteen for another 50 years!

## Ski Trip

Our skiing excursion to Thredbo this year was blessed with sparkling mountains of deep, cold snow and many brilliantly sunny days.

A committed team of seasoned veterans and promising young bloods led by Captain, Harry Walker, represented our school with aplomb in gruelling ski and snowboard races of endless variety.

Dozens of parent volunteers and myriad experts, seamlessly organised and supervised by the Interscholar Snow sports people, ensured the racing was challenging, safe and thrilling.

When not racing, boys would free ski to the point of exhaustion, check out their female counterparts from many a private school, or refuel at our lunchtime base camp with Mr Jones and Mr Fuller.

Harry Walker celebrated his sixth year as a High Skier with outstanding performances in the events he entered and he proved an excellent team leader and guide for the younger lads.

Other team members included: Tom Connolly, Michael Ambrose, Alex Koeber, James Whiting, Andrew Blomberg, Josh Bell, Roy Chen, Josh Freiman and Michael Pryor. All boys raced courageously and looked cool in their High Rugby jerseys!

All boys, I know, were grateful for the efforts of many folk who worked together to ensure the success of their winter adventure.

On the evidence this year skiing at High was very much alive and well.

Mark H.Jones, MIC Skiing.



*The Ski Team in situ.*



*Harry Walker*

# Old Boys Union

This year has been one of renewed activity for the Sydney High School Old Boys' Union and has witnessed a number of important developments.

Most importantly, the Union has once again started communicating with its members. Since March 2007 we have been sending e-Bulletins on at least a monthly basis. These regular bulletins advise old boys of school news as well as social functions and reunions being conducted by groups of High old boys and the GPS OBU. *The High Bulletin* is also in publication again with the first edition being published in May under the very capable editorship of Will Clegg (2005). *The High Bulletin* documents the activities and achievements of High's old boys from all walks of life.

Old boys have also continued to provide strong support for the School's many and varied operations. On a personal level, some 100 old boys have given their time in a voluntary capacity to school activities. On a more formal level, the OBU contributes delegates to the various school governance bodies. I would like to place on record my personal appreciation of those who have contributed many hours and valuable expertise to both the Foundation and the School Council - Lee Ruth (1951), Ken Clemens (1955), Terry Pullinger as delegates and Terry Meakin (1953), John Pointing (1962) and Mark Livingston (1969) as alternate delegates to the Foundation; and Dennis Briggs (1966) and Will Clegg as delegates and Viv Littlewood (1952) as an alternate delegate to the School Council. Graeme Anderson (1979) has also provided sterling service to the Outterside Centre Management Committee. This year, special mention should be made of Lee Ruth who retired as chairman of the Foundation, Dennis Briggs who has taken on the role of president of the School Council, and Ken Clemens who is continuing as the Foundation's treasurer.

The connection with our fellow GPS schools is maintained by membership of the GPS OBU. John Goddard (1953) has once again acted as our delegate to the GPS OBU Council.

I am particularly pleased to be able to report that, after a thorough review led by former president, Bruce Pyke (1947), the OBU's Executive Council has agreed to retain the system whereby the families of students may pay for life membership of the Union by instalments over their six years at school. In 2008, instalments will be \$44 per year, and, from 2009, this sum will increase annually by the CPI.

The Executive Council is committed to maintaining the life membership instalment scheme as a means of ensuring a strong and vital OBU. The scheme, which was first introduced in the early 1990s, has now ensured that the majority of members on the books have left the School since the late 1990s. This younger profile presents some interesting challenges for the OBU as we seek to engage the entire membership and offer services that will be attractive to boys who are now passing through the school. Current boys will be kept informed about activities of the OBU through the pages of the *High Bulletin*, which we have now resolved to send to all students who have commenced paying instalments towards life membership.

Another encouraging development in 2007 has been the revival of geographically-based reunions. Two of these, in Melbourne and Newcastle, have been part of larger functions conducted by the GPS OBU, while two others, in New York and Brisbane, have been High-only affairs. A positive development has been the involvement in these get-togethers of old boys from the class of 1949 right the way through to the class of 1997.

We are looking to encourage get-togethers based not only on geographic location, but also on special interests, such as sport or academic or professional pursuits. For example, planning is underway for the recognition of old boy servicemen who have served in conflicts since World War II. Vice-President Cmdr Viv Littlewood is organising a reunion to take place in conjunction with the School's 2008 Anzac Day commemoration.

It is with sadness that I note the passing, on 28 July 2007, of Major General James William Norrie, AO, OBE. Jim, who left High in 1940, was president of the OBU, 1993-1999 and Patron from 2002. His funeral service, with military honours, was held at St Mark's Anglican Church, Darling Point. The Governor-General was among the mourners present. Jim's forthright, no-nonsense contribution to the OBU and other organisations within the School community was without parallel.

Two old boys of international stature, Professor Lord Robert May (1952), AC, OM, FRS, who was until recently the Chief Scientific Advisor to the UK government and President of the Royal Society, and Mr James Wolfensohn (1949), AO, KBE, who was until recently president of the World Bank, have both been delighted to accept the invitation to be Patrons of the OBU. Together with them, we look forward to the School's 125th anniversary in 2008.

Joseph Waugh, President.



# Foundation Day Address

Distinguished guests, School Family representatives, parents of School Prefects Elect, staff, students - welcome to our 124th Founder's Day Assembly. We welcome back a previous School Captain from 1967, Jon Isaacs, as our guest speaker today. Our celebration today serves a dual purpose. We look backwards to our foundation on October 1, 1883. We also look towards the future as our elected leaders take their places in long established roles. Traditions of leadership are very important to the story of our school. As I browse through *The Record* I am struck by how parallel High activities are in the broader school community, even generations removed in time. There is something grounded in an educational experience which focuses on timeless qualities such as initiative, team work, self help, visionary planning, engagement, generosity and persistence.

Fifty years ago, the Headmaster K.J. Andrews, addressed the school at the Prefects Investiture Assembly, held in February that year. He said in his speech that those who have shown the willingness to serve loyally, invariably become those who in turn are chosen to lead. To accept discipline while at the same time developing powers of leadership fits the pupil of today to become the prefect of tomorrow. Mr Andrews' sentiments on leadership are still descriptive of leadership training today. 'Distributive leadership' and 'leaders as followers' are topics of training sessions for modern leadership. The experience of being led seems integral to the development of leadership skills.

Prefects in 1957 also had to demonstrate what was referred to then as "undiminishing interest in many school activities". Today's leaders have to demonstrate sustained participation in many areas of school life in order to qualify to be included on the ballot paper for election. We have a more formal, documented system now through our Student Awards Scheme, but the sentiment is the same - demonstrate your involvement over time if you want to represent your peers and your school. It is remarkable how similar the attitudes, efforts and aspirations of past High leaders resemble those same qualities that exemplify our 36 inductees today.

Kerry Rubie was school captain in 1957. He represented as Vice-Captain of the 1st XV which

won the CHS rugby title and was selected in the Combined CHS 1st XV. He was Captain of Boats and a member of the 1st VIII which won the Head of the River. He swam for the school every year. He was Cadet Under Officer in the school's cadet unit. David Vien, captain elect for 2008, has proven himself in rowing and rugby in similar fashion to Kerry Rubie. Traditions connect us to our history and provide the purposeful anchor that we need to inspire us to goal directed effort.

In many ways, according to the old aphorism, the more things change, the more they remain the same. John Lambert was the debating Master in 1957. He went on to become a distinguished educator and retired to establish the Independent Anglican School System in western Sydney. The first grade team completed the season runners-up in CHS and GPS after being 'narrowly defeated' in a 'closely contested' debate against Riverview. (Our 2007 team would empathise well with those students.) High fielded four teams in the 'Chess in Schools' competition. The ISCF was active, along with the camera Club and a choir of 30 voices.

The High Club was established with 400 members after acquiring premises on the 43rd floor of 41 York St. Sydney. The foresight and initiative of past High students benefit today's cohort. The High Club still donates significant sums of money annually to the school. I commend the High Club and its social activities to you. It is now holding networking functions to add value to its membership.

In 1957 the school was preparing for its 75th anniversary with a history to be compiled by Ken Cable, Arch Ferguson and Vic Barnes. The OBU was to sponsor a 75th Anniversary Ball in conjunction with SGHS and a 75th Anniversary Dinner. We have had similar planning proposals for the 125th anniversary celebrations in 2008.

In 1957 the 'High Bulletin' was born as an amalgamation of the separate publications of the OBU and the High Club. The first two 8-page editions were well received. We have had a recent revival of High Bulletin and a school-based publication High Flyer. I trust that current students see the necessity for volunteers to get involved in preparing material or helping to edit and publish school generated attempts to keep the wider High community informed about activities at our school.

Also in 1957, a Trust Fund was planned to raise substantial funds towards the celebration of the centenary year in 1983. The Centenary Building Fund grew out of that idea and has been maintaining and expanding school assets ever since. We are now embarked on an even grander project for our 125th year using various tax deductible vehicles to attract donors. People associated with High have always had the capacity to take a longer term view of where their current efforts might lead. They have seen a greater good than self interest and have worked to build the iconic institution that High has become today.

At the McKay Fields, a post and rail fence was erected in 1957 using a large donation by an Old Boy of material and mustered volunteer P & C labour to erect it. Grading work, top dressing and re-grassing helped to expand the playing area to three operational fields. The second storey of the Fairland Pavilion was being completed to service the extra demands associated with games being played on three fields. Ironically, we have a Foundation proposal before the Centennial Park

Trust to restore the playing fields to higher standards to accommodate GPS fixtures. We have a vision for three turf wickets and five playing fields for winter games.

Recurrent preoccupations at High encompass the pursuit of academic excellence as a given. A High educational experience has always been about more than academics. Co-curricular activities involving partnerships between parents, Old Boys, staff and students are foundations of our culture. The need to maintain and improve facilities to participate in these activities is also fundamental and endless. The acquisition of resources and coaching expertise is likewise ongoing and essential. Our School Prefects are elected to preserve, protect and enhance our school culture. They connect us to our past and assure our future. I know that they will serve as inspirational models to their younger peers and as reassuring figures for staff, parents and alumni. I congratulate all the young men being honoured today.

Dr Jaggar



# Duke of Edinburgh Award

**D**uring Tuesday 3rd and Wednesday 4th April, a hike was completed by students from Sydney Boys High. This hike qualified for a Bronze Award for some and as a practice journey for others. The hike was mainly organised by Andrew Fuller (Maths Dept.), but various smaller groups within the main group organised rations and gear amongst themselves.

The route planned out was:

- **Day 1:** Take a train from Central to Cronulla, and catch a ferry from Gunnamatta Bay across Port Hacking to Bundeena.
- Walk south about 18 km along the Coast track of the Royal National Park.
- Camp overnight at the North Era Campsite.
- **Day 2:** Continue south along the Coast track (walking about 8 km).
- Join the Cliff Track to the end of the hike at Otford Lookout.
- Walk to Otford Station and take a train back to Central.

Overall, the Coast Track is twenty six km in length, and hugs the Coastline of the Royal National Park, with cliffs, beaches, and escarpments along its length. The track was of medium difficulty and offered stunning views.

Preparation was thorough; however many members of the group (including myself) over-packed for what was a relatively short trip. These were the main items taken by members of the group:

- Toiletries, gas stove, pocket knife, cutlery, torch, sun-screen, insect repellent, sleeping bag, tent (usually held between groups), First Aid Kit (between groups), plastic bags, mobile phone, money, and (by some) a camera.
- Clothing included 2 pairs of jeans, 3 T-shirts, 2 singlets, 2 pairs of socks, a beanie, a raincoat, and underwear.
- Different people packed varying foods for the trip. For Lunches and Dinners, baked beans, spaghetti, bread, and tuna were standard (one member brought heat-and-serve curry, to the discomfort of his bowels). Breakfast included pikelets and jam, toast, etc. For breaks, chocolate bars and breakfast bars were packed.
- Camelbacks and many bottles of water were required due to the lack of safe sources of drinking water along the trip. Most carried along approximately four Litres.

In a 75L pack the overall weight came down to between seventeen and twenty kg per pack.

Members from Sydney Boys High School included: Patrick Chen, Rahul Gokarn, Yu Lin, Maximilian Keldoulis, Benjamin Liu, Edmond Lui, John Luu, Albert Ng, Michael Shen, Cambridge Wong, Louis Yang and Richard Yang from Year 12; Anthony Ho, Shreyas Iyer, Kevin Le, Andrew Leung, Peter Nguyen, and Arthur Wang from Year 11; and Johan Santoso and Jack Wachsmann from Year 10.

The accompanying staff were Andrew Fuller (Maths Dept.) and Brian Webb (Science Dept.).

The group gathered at Central station early on Tuesday morning to depart on an eventful journey along the coastline of the Royal National Park.

Day One: Having caught the train to Cronulla, we walked to Cronulla Wharf and caught a ferry from Gunnamatta Bay to Bundeena. From Bundeena Wharf, we walked along the roadside to the entrance of the National Park. A quick toilet break at one of the few proper toilet facilities of the trip and some adjustment of bag straps followed before we set off on our hike through the national park. The heavy packs and uneven terrain caused severe discomfort to some members of the group who were new to hiking, however we found truth in the wise words of Mr. Webb that, "the first hour and last hour of any hiking trip are the hardest." Indeed, we soon became used to such discomforts, and it was not long before we reached the coast and were met with impressive views of the Sandstone Cliffs. After about an hour of hiking, we took a break at Marley Head and enjoyed the views of the Marley and Little Beaches. After a stint at the beach, we headed back up to the cliff tops and walked along them for most of the way until we reached Wattamolla, the site of our first lunch break. After a pleasant lunch break, we resumed the hike, walking past Curracurrang and Curracurrong. A notable landmark was Eagle Rock, a formation in the sandstone cliff formed by weathering to take the shape of, obviously, an Eagle's head.

Another beautiful view of the coast occurred just before we descended from the cliff tops to Garie Beach. The process of descending was long and tough on the ankles, and was easily the most we had to do on the entire trip. Having walked for

quite some time, we eventually reached Garie, and after a short walk, we reached our campsite for the night, North Era. By this time, the sun had begun to set, and we had to quickly set up our tents before we were able to sit down and enjoy the sea air provided by the nearby beach. Entertainment for most of the group was provided in watching a large group of year 11s struggle to assemble their 6-person tent. Amusingly, after they had finally managed to set the tent up and pegged it down, one year 11 picked up the Groundsheet for their tent (which is supposed to go underneath it) and said, "Wait a minute...isn't this meant to go under the tent?"

Soon, however, most of this group were entertaining themselves by twirling glow sticks into colourful patterns in the dark; most others opted for an early night.

Day Two: Having travelled the majority of the track (18 km) on the first day, there was an abundance of time to get ready on the second morning. Eventually, however, most of us were packed and ready and waiting for the same year 11 group (who were again struggling with their 6-person tent) to pack up so we could set off.

Crossing Mid-Era Point, just south of our campsite, made for an interesting spectacle, with large waves crashing on the rock platform all around us. We were soon met with a change of scenery compared with the previous day, as we walked on rolling hills rather than cliff tops. We found that the ground was very muddy and wet due to overnight rain.

Walking past Burning Palms away from the beach and towards the Palm Jungle, we found ourselves having to weave through trenches formed by foot traffic and the weather. Losing

sight of the coast for the first time, we entered the overgrown paths of the Palm Jungle. As experienced bushwalkers, some others and I had little trouble with the paths, but others still found difficulty in negotiating the unkempt path. Eventually, we reached the Figure Eight Pool, where we had lunch. Suddenly, some people discovered leeches lurking on their skin and clothing. Soon almost everyone was jumping about and stamping their feet, trying to get rid of them. Our short unlucky run continued as the rain began to come down quite hard. Putting on our wet weather gear, we resumed our hike along a path that fast resembled a narrow canal. It wasn't long before we were all soaked through as we eventually emerged onto a fire trail which allowed us to walk side by side. Having got used to the rain (I personally enjoyed the wet weather), we found the surrounding landscape to be quite beautiful in its midst.

Finally, we reached Otford Lookout and the end of our hike. The sun poked through the clouds and we enjoyed yet another stunning view-possibly the best of the trip. After taking some time to laze about, eat, and find and kill any remaining leeches, we took the short walk to Otford station and caught the train home. Thus ended a tiring but remarkable trip that caused mixed feelings in many. For some, this was their last hike, but for most others, it was the first of many to come. An enjoyable and thoroughly memorable trip, everyone enjoyed the experience and the memories it created.

Special thanks go to Andrew Fuller for the organising this trip, and to Brain Webb, for accompanying us.

Shreyas Iyer, with the assistance of Mr Andrew Fuller.



*Duke of Edinburgh group on expedition.*

# Library Report

This has been the year that the new library Building Fund reached the very respectable reserve of \$400,000. It was also the year that Sydney Boys High Development Committee ran a fund-raising campaign for the new library. This has been a fabulous committee of parents, chaired by Associate Professor Tailoi Chan-Ling, who have put in a great deal of work on fundraising for the new library. SHS fundraising expertise was considerable → the Development Committee had the assistance of Rich Rajendram → father of Jeremy in year 9. The fact that the campaign was internal meant that the entire exercise was total profit. This campaign was a learning curve for this committee and raised \$23,000. Huge thanks to the 17 or so parents who assisted with the phone campaign and to our very generous parent donors. If anyone promised a one off donation yearly for this, the end of the year is now approaching. So thank you in advance for remembering to donate. As Dr Jaggar's donation system on school fees has a formula guaranteeing some money to the new library the actual total amount raised by all parent donations for the new library was \$50,000 this year. This shows that it

may be possible for parent donations to service a loan for \$1 million. If we can stagger a little more quickly to the \$1million needed as the starting point for work our 50 year old library may eventually be used for classrooms to replace the portables on the flat. Currently these house the new Year 9 intake.

Another potentially significant occasion in 2007 was the meeting with the Chinese consul which was organised by old boy, David Greatorex. Ways in which a closer link to the Chinese culture of many of our recent students could be forged were discussed. The Chinese Consul was gracious enough to donate to the Library a large number of DVD and text resources for Sydney Boys High students of Chinese. In recent years and reflecting the increase into Sydney Boys High of students of Asian background, the library has created a LOTE literature (languages other than English) section. Thanks to the Chinese consul this now will look a great deal more respectable. Our library has also been purchasing an Asian literature (in English) collection which includes many novels from the Chinese, Indian and Sri Lankan diaspora.



**Library Assistants**

**Back Row:** N.Adel, J.Braverman, L.Aylmer, Y.Wong, K.Dutta, O.Fio, B.Cabanilla, J.Edgton, R.Useelananthan.  
**Front Row:** V.Shah, J.Vuong, I.Ho, R.Kamal, C.Chiam, A.Dutta, D.Sabharwal.

The year has also seen a great deal of work done by Joseph Waugh, President of the Old Boys Union, towards creating the new library's walls of fame. These glass walls, printed with the names of high achieving Old Boys, are to be a significant way of celebrating the 2008 125th Anniversary of High. Originally this project was begun by Colin Sherwood, also a very generously involved Old Boy. It is hoped that as many as possible of these Old Boys will be able to attend the unveiling of this lasting monument in 2008. When the new library is built these panels will be a significant and permanent part of the structure.

This year is also likely to see the last of the Library Fund's big budgets. The Library has just been told that in the future the Library's budget will be a much more manageable \$40,000. For the last two years it has been \$75,000. However lots of money is not necessarily a bad thing when purchasing resources. The last few years has seen a great deal of necessary refreshing of the library shelves. We now have a library with resources no older than fifteen year old and this money has enabled the library to develop a replacement program (something quite unique in school libraries which usually struggle financially). We have also taken the opportunity to develop a strong Video and DVD collection that is borrowed by students. Purchasing for this has continued this year

This year has also seen the purchase of new lounge furniture and replacement computer chairs and signage in an effort to improve the appearance of the present library. ( A coat of paint from the

Education Department would not go astray!)

As I write this the library has reached a very respectable \$10,877 in loans for this year. As we are no longer lending computers out, apart from occasional laptops, this is a great reflection on the strength of reading, library use and research in this school.

Speaking personally about our students and their enthusiastic response to reading I have been very heartened by Year 7&8 charisma as they make their presentations on their literacy circles novels this year. I think their response has been elevated by the use of Moodle for part of this unit. Thank you Old boy technicians, James Rudd and David Isaacs for your continued assistance to the librarian with Moodle and your fabulous and constant technical support for our computers!

It is also great to see that despite lots of bureaucratic difficulties student purchase of the Sydney Morning Herald and its distribution in the library has continued successfully and quite strongly. It is good to see boys so willing to read.

Never before has the library has such a generous benefactor as Malika Tin Loi, mother of Christopher in Year 9. Malika worked for two days a week unpaid in the library this year and last year. Her work was particularly valuable as Malika was a qualified and highly competent former librarian at the UNSW. Malika catalogued resources not on SCIS and added educationally approved websites to the Library's catalogue - appropriately marrying our catalogue to the Internet.



*Anzac Day Assembly.*

# English

## English and Writing Competitions

The Australian English and the Australian Writing Competitions for 2007 were both marked by strong participation rates and increased levels of performance particularly in the writing competition.

In the English Competition 867 students participated with 37 High Distinctions, 278 Distinctions and 352 Credits.

The following boys received High Distinctions:

Peter Wu, Ming-En Chin, Julian Edgton, Shumit Hoque, Shubash Quazi, Gavin Sutton, Rukshan Useelanthan, George Panas, Raghbir Siddiquee, Nikhil Autar, Yasar Chowdhury, Vivian Le, Leon Li, Wen Jia Liu, Ashwin Rudder, Ken Shao, Leon Sheldon, Hareshan Karunakaran, Caillin McKay, Maxwell Phillis, Alexander Saunders, Kevin Sheng, Joshua Sutton, Julian Ubaldi, Christopher Wong, Timothy Burston, Julian Byrnes, Abraham Chan, Ting Gao, Anton Jurisevic, Brian Lau, Benjamin Lu, Adam Richards, Denis Stojanovic, Thomas Wilson, Ronan Casey, Lucian Tan

In the Writing Competition 885 students participated with 55 High Distinctions, 164 Distinctions and 273 Credits.

The following boys received High Distinctions:

Sanbib Ahmed, Adhil Ansareen, A. Ayalasomayajula, Mathew Chan, Luke de la Cour, Krishnendu Dutta, Julian Edgton, Lucas Fang, Kevin Krahe, Kenny Lau, Tommy Lau, Rodrigo Manahan, Joel Ng, Sooraj Prakash, Suman Prusty, Stephen Trang, Albert Vu, Kah Yang Wong, William Yeung, Eric Ahy, Botong Cheng, Andrew Gaffney, Ian Ho, Brendan Leo, Nishant Paul, William Stefanidis, Yale Wong, Lachlan Chant, Puneet Baweja, Justin Chan, Brendan Cheung, Eric Feng, Patrick Hsuao, Enoch Hui, Rafat Kamal, Tian Yu Li, Declan McCrea-Steele, Mario Moreno, Alexander Saunders, Aaron Tran, Joshua Bell, Phillip Kurts, Hau Neo, Kent Nguyen, Thomas Nguyen, Andrew Lim, Ruiwen Liu, Win Ma, James Menzies, Brynley Pfull, Harrison Reid, Marco Sun, Jack Wang

## Literary Contributions

### LOVE POEM

For years, they have wondered  
What love is  
Scientific reason  
Says love is biological  
Something destined to happen  
Inevitable and automatic  
They say we come together, by rationale and reason  
That we live, love and die  
In an all-explained pattern  
We, as humans, live a life of none for mystery  
And all for fact

But

Love is not this

Love is everything  
That science is not  
To sacrifice gladly for another  
That is love  
To give, freely and without hesitation  
This is love  
To share life, in every experience  
With every second  
Every moment  
With them  
Love is  
To feel a part of someone  
To belong

Love is  
What logic is not

**Louis Appleton**

### **'ANDREW TAKES ME PLACES'**

Andrew takes me places. Andrew Robson, that is. I don't mean hand-in-hand. I've never even met the man. But when I sit and listen to his sax playing around town, at all the pubs and joints he gets the gigs at, I feel like I understand where he goes with the notes.

When Andrew rips into a solo, you can tell he's thought about it. But it doesn't sound contrived because it's improvised, 'instantaneous creation and performance', that's what they say. He's always thinking about where it's going. He might start off in the mid register, those notes on the alto that are smooth and always remind me of nutmeg and hot milk. And as he leaps back down the instrument, I leap back with him. Back to a time when my life was as exciting as this. Or back to the '40's when 'The Bird' really started to show people his new sound. They called Charlie Parker 'The Bird' because he was flying when he was playing. He took you places you couldn't see but only hear. He took you to a feeling, he took you into an emotion and showed you around. And all the while giving you the ride of your life on the back of his wings.

I often wondered why Andrew did the things he did, why he chose the notes he played, why he went to exotic keys only to resolve back to the first one in the end. Now I know that it's because the excitement isn't in staying in the one place, it's not even in the goin' out. But how can you have changed when you end up in the same place you start off? Music is in the coming back home, resolving that incessant tension with a cadence that'll fulfill your soul, your blues and all of your life too. Andrew takes me places. And then he brings me back home.

**James Mackay**

### **A LOVING FAMILY**

A mother, a father  
A brother and sister  
Everything in between

Laughter, delight  
All day and night  
Skies of blue and grass of green

Sorrow, despair  
Too much to bear  
Times to regret and also forget

Through sunshine and rain  
The memories remain  
A loving family

Love and trust  
Is always a must  
To keep the flame alight

**Arthur Kourtesis**

Love is wild,  
It comes in several forms,  
From the love you feel for your child,  
To the love of football.  
Love is uncontainable,  
To describe it is not easy,  
It is quite unexplainable,  
It can make you feel queasy.  
Love is intense,  
It is like a booming sound.  
It makes you lose your common sense,  
It makes your head spin round.  
But in the end,  
Love is impossible to comprehend.

**Jeremy Ireland**



## ECHO AND NARCISSUS

She's invited me down to the art gallery, to see the latest exhibition. She's an art freak, loves the impressionists, the cubists, Picasso. She loves the passion and the disorder. I've never understood it. She says they converse with her life; they talk to her experience, her desires. They can't talk to me. They're just brush strokes, even together they don't look real, not real enough to talk. She also likes the realists, in particular, the paintings of classical myths and tragedies. The convincing images spawn a credulity which lifts her into the realm of powerful emotions. On the ground, I await her return. Even the realists aren't real. Their natural pictures are simply deceptive sirens enticing you into fantasy with sweet songs of reality. I can see the fantasy, they don't sing to me. All the paintings, they draw her in, together forming an elegant soap opera which provides the drama she desperately requires. She uses the paintings. Through them she escapes to a world of significance and meaning. I know that world is fraudulent. I can't go with her.

I shouldn't go to the art gallery. I should decline her invitation. I won't. I know how it will be. I will go and I will stand on the ground, awaiting her return, as she soars above. I will enjoy the fleeting solitude until eventually, sated with the wonders of her other world, she will turn her attentions to me. Then she will realise her mistake. She will learn the difference between our experiences, but she won't understand mine, anymore than I understand hers. As I wallow in this world, she will once again depart to her own. She can't stay here, can't live here, and I can't go with her.

I remember the last time a woman took me to the gallery. As we talked, just like all the others, she reached the same conclusion and she left me. It was the same as all the times before with all the other women. Yet this time, a painting caught my eye, a beautiful representation of the tragedy of Echo and Narcissus. I searched for truth in the image. In a moment, I thought of myself as Echo, a hapless creature sentenced to fade away into nothingness due to unrequited love for those who desire something greater, perhaps more beautiful or more dramatic, than she or reality can provide. In another, I thought of myself as Narcissus, a being so enamoured by his own characteristics, be they his beauty or his intellect, that his arrogant self-indulgence prevented him from developing

any connexion to another person. Finally, in a third moment, I realised I was neither. Echo nor Narcissus. There was a world of fantastical drama, of idealised unrealistic notions of love and pain. The incredible beauty of the painting itself betrayed its illusory nature. Such a scene is not part of this world, my world. It is part of hers. Echo and Narcissus aren't real people. She wasted away purely for want of him. Real people aren't worth that sacrifice. I shouldn't go to the gallery but I will. Then she will leave me. She won't stay for me. I'm real. I'm not worth the sacrifice. She needs to go. I can't go with her.

**Blaise Prentice-Davidson**

## THE INEVITABLE MEETING

He left her at dawn  
up away  
she stayed down  
Oscillating  
like a heart beating.  
He hovered above at noon  
burning with regret  
a mistake, leaving  
He returns to her at dusk  
she is always there.  
Sunset brings them once again  
to the inevitable meeting  
of her, the sea  
and him, the sun.

**Plini Roessler-Holgate**

## LOVE

Love is like war,  
A creation of mankind,  
Or something more, an intrinsic part of our  
Nature? Love is a sickness, full of  
Pain. But whatever doesn't kill you makes you  
Stronger. Yet love is also  
Heaven, searched for, but does it exist, or did we  
Imagine it? Does it really  
Matter, what  
Love is? Only to  
Those who  
Do not  
Know  
it.

**Phil Kurts**

What is Love?

Love,

Is not just the feeling of desire and passion for another,  
But is rather,  
Like a first rose blossoming in spring.

It can surge from the ground,  
Engulfing any being around,  
But slowly and surely subsides,  
Leaving nothing but heartbreak and lies.

And when autumn comes the rose wilts and dies,  
Leaving nothing but tears,  
Memories,  
Anguish.

The days spent together,  
On the beach, at the park, the first kiss,  
All under rain, hail or shine drift away,  
Like stray petals in the wind,  
Blowing into nothingness.

**Maxeem Mikha**

## DAWN

Beautiful dawn, Lights up the shore for me.  
There is nothing else in the world,  
I'd rather wake up and see, with you.  
Beautiful dawn, I'm just chasing time again.  
Thought I would die a lonely man, in endless night.

Beautiful dawn, melds with the stars again.  
Do you remember the day when my journey began?  
Will you remember the end, of time?  
Beautiful dawn, you're just blowing my mind again.  
Thought I was Lost, until last night, until you shine.

Beautiful dawn, time moves with me too.  
Forget how I say this again once more.  
Will you be my shoulder when I'm grey and older?  
Promise me tomorrow starts with you.

**Patrick Desmond**

## GUMPTION

On the night of the Forest Lodge Primary school concert, people were of changeable emotion. Students and teachers were nervy as to whether they had prepared enough, whether Mrs. Clarke was going to get the piano line right this time, whether their star performer Janey McCallum from year six could remember the words to the Japanese Cherry-blossom item, or instead run offstage in a scene, like she did in dress rehearsal this morning.

Parents were bored listless. They tuned out from the Japanese Cherry-blossom item and thought about why Mrs Blazynski has scheduled the concert for State of Origin night. They were fading. They could have been the mottled plastic schoolchairs they sat on. Most parents hung over the sides of the tiny chairs, and so felt the air around them on all sides - the kind of spare, cool air that surrounds ones' toes in a big empty shoe. Both the parents and the plastic chairs were molded into a shape that expressed a drudging tiredness, yet somehow they both still maintained that smiling form which was supposed to suggest a concern for their childs' education.

And so when the final narcotic note was sung, when the crepe-paper jiggling was over, when the smell of Janey McCallum's vomit began to waft through the room and Miss Blazynski appealed to everyone through the disobedient PA system to stay back and help clean up, they all ran out the door, pretending they didn't hear. After that, even Miss Blazynski left in a hurry, and it was just the two of them left there - Gráinne and Davis - the schools' cleaners, together, in the midst of the brick-coloured school hall coated in streamers and misaligned finger paintings. The school wasn't their only place of work. They often worked in the third ward of the Royal Prince Alfred, but it was here they loved to work most because, when all the items were played out, they had the whole hall to themselves. They could lock up whenever they pleased. And right then they didn't please. They cleaned.

If you were there to see them, though you weren't because no-one ever was, you'd have exalted at the elegance of it. The majesty of Davis and his mop bucket, the way he slid around the floorboards, and the symmetry of his scrubbing, it was like a ballet out there. The poise of Gráinne

was gentle, delicate, dignified. She covered bubblegum stains with ice cubes from the kitchenette, and they slid off with twist of a spatula. She sought out odours like a sleuth on the trail, she coated stains with the solution to all of life's riddles - Gumption paste.

But it was when they came together that they really worked. The sheer choreography of their movements, the way it seemed planned, and the step after step of structurally intricate shapes the two fashioned, this all would make anyone believe it wasn't intuition guiding them, that somehow they'd rehearsed it beforehand. But they did it by the feel, you see. They felt it. They grasped it just like they grasped each other. Gráinne with her extra-wide broom swept dust into a formation which was just perfect for Davis to ambush with his dustpan. He needed no words, she just knew. Out there the music played for them, they played cassettes of Debussy, Stravinsky, Prokofiev, Rimsky-Korsakov, he was Petrushka, she, the Firebird.

She slid a bottle of cab sav out from her bag of rubber gloves and they drank and held each other and courted round like moons in orbit. They packed the cases with their tools, packed wheely bins and plastic bags with other people's mess and tied them up, forgotten. The emptiness of the Forest Lodge Primary school hall couldn't be filled by a whole mob of shivering people, but somehow those two filled it all until it was brimming with the seamless grace and geometry of their art.

Outside, the city put on its mascara and eyeshadow, and its blackest dress, too rapt in its own beauty to notice Gráinne and Davis smooching in the Kitchenette.

**By James Mackay**

## STARS

The evening was great.  
*No, it was perfect.*

Sometimes I wonder how they all ended up there.  
Whoever spilt the Milky Way into existence must have been very careless indeed.  
I mean, look at them....there are just so many out there!

Brushing sand off my arms, I sat on the shore. The night was definitely the best for star gazing. With waves breathing in and out of the pale beach and the breeze in your hair, what more could you want? The air was a tad salty, but what does that matter? It was an evening in paradise.

The cloudless sky was a ceaseless wonder, constellations spread across the sky like butter on toast. Dispersed throughout the vastness of space, they glimmered, each in their uniqueness.

Seconds swelled into minutes, minutes into hours and hours into an eternity. Perpetual motion died away, the waves stopped breathing; the wind stopped whispering. Time ceased to exist.

Nothing mattered in the world.  
*Nothing but the lights in the sky.*

**Joseph Lui**

## MY COUNTRY, MY LOVE

I lie on my back, my skin soaks the sun,  
The breeze from the South gushes past me like a horse.  
A eucalyptus tree shades my head,  
And I think of her.

The sand is yellow and bright,  
Children frolic and prance on the grains.  
The waves crash onto them as they scream in pleasure,  
The coast is her flowing hair.

The towering green gum trees look down on me,  
A kookaburra laughs and wakes a drowsy koala.  
I tread on the arid land and disturb the peace,  
The bush is her beating heart.

I stand on top of the massive crimson rock overlooking the world,  
A kangaroo bounces past like a ball.  
The grooves make the stories true,  
Uluru is her winning smile.

The endless plains stretch for miles,  
Hot, dry winds blow and rustle the leafless bush.  
The sun bakes the ground and the goanna,  
The desert is her body.

I am her knight in shining armour,  
She is my fair damsel.  
She is my friend, my companion,  
She is my country, my love.

**Tristan Xu**

## TRAIN GIRL

After dodging and weaving past the throng of people bustling to and from the platform, I manage to situate myself in the usual spot, right next to the stationmaster's office. Normally if I have a minute or two to spare, I'll catch my breath from the brisk walk to the station and then stand there, letting the sleepy morning chatter fade into the background as I gaze absent minded in the general direction of the station billboards, contemplating the day.

More often than not, she's there too. She's not a friend, not even an acquaintance. But she's not a stranger either. I don't know who she is. No, that's not entirely true. Though I can't be sure, I think I've heard her name somewhere, a Spencer of some sort. I know her simply as the 'train girl'. I've known her for a while, actually quite a long time now that I think about it. But I don't quite recall how we came to share the same train carriage. It must've been nothing more than a passing coincidence to begin with but somehow, it's developed into a funny little ritual.

Soon after the train quietly pulls up to the platform and opens its doors, we board it, in unison. We know our places. She sits near the stairs, I near the far door. Every morning for years, we've enacted the same routine, something that was worked out with unsaid understanding somewhere down the line. Oddly enough I ponder, for someone whom I can't remember ever speaking to; her presence somehow adds a sort of completion to the day. A small but inexplicable pang of hollowness somewhere inside me arises when Train Girl's not there. It shouldn't really matter where she goes each morning but somehow it feels like sacrilege for us not to honour this commitment. I have a sneaking suspicion she feels the same way. Either of us could easily avoid catching this train, even changing carriages would put an abrupt end to it all. Yet, deliberately or through subconscious compulsion, circumstance or fate, we invariably meet on the 7:15 express, bound by an unwritten code.

Normally, as the train pulls away and we begin our journey towards the city, we tend to keep to ourselves. We don't communicate, save for a surreptitious glance or two either way. Occasionally there's eye contact for a fleeting moment, before we both look away, mutually unable to sustain our gaze. It's a funny situation. We could be perfect strangers. Yet somehow, for that hour on the 7:15 train, we share a connection that couldn't be substantiated physically, or simply with words.

I know this because today I tried. I anxiously sat and waited for the opportune moment to approach her and break the seemingly impregnable wall of silence that existed between us. Every train stop was a bell tolling, approaching my D-day and each time a new wave of perspiration prickled all over my body. As I stalled and struggled to pluck up the courage to speak to her, I realised that I was quite fond of Train Girl. She's not extravagantly stunning but she's pretty, with her long brown hair cascading down around her. There was a certain, striking magic in her eyes which made you stand to attention. Train Girl always had this tranquil aura about her and her peace and serenity never seemed to be disturbed. I must admit I have imagined us together in a number of idle daydreams, where, in a time long after we had finally become acquainted, we stroll side by side on a sunset beach. Indeed, in my dreams she and I were soul mates, the perfect couple. Outside my reverie, she's in my train, my carriage, only a few feet away from me; but a few feet out of reach. Then finally came the moment of reckoning. Just as we were about to disembark and disperse our own ways, to be lost to each other for the rest of the day, I purposefully nudged her, apologised, then rather sheepishly proceeded to introduce myself. As I did so, I could almost hear the inner bowels of the cosmos, shaking and shifting uncomfortably. My spidery senses were tingling. Nevertheless, for better or worse, I kept going.

'Hi', she replied, quite unimpressed, 'I'm Jess'.

Ah yes, Jess Spencer, now I remember. I pressed her for conversation.

'Nice weather isn't it? But thank God for the rain we've been getting lately.' 'I don't believe in God' was the terse reply.

It wasn't registering. She was there alright. Standing in front of me, in the flesh, was the girl that I had dreamed of. But this wasn't the Train Girl I had imagined. Where was the shy but friendly greeting? Our giggling chatter? The commonality between us? *The chemistry?*

'People make their own luck, their own fate, their own destiny', she continued, 'God has nothing to do with anything'

It was terrible. Her words were like rocks, shattering the glass pane of my romancing. The more she kept speaking, the more I realised that this would probably be the last and only

conversation Jess Spencer and I would ever have. She was an Arts student, one of those ideologically active socialist types, and me? I'm just a simple, God fearing bloke. Our differences glaring.

I wondered how I could ever feel so attached to a person who was so conflicted. The Train Girl I imagined wasn't like this. She and I were meant to be soul mates, not warring ideologues. The penny took its time to drop. When it did, it hit so hard that I was physically jolted. I felt like a fool and an enlightened Zen monk at the same time.

It dawned on me that Jess Spencer and Train Girl had nothing at all in common, save for the body they shared. I was enchanted by Train Girl because she was so close to me, so close in fact that essentially, I had created her, out of the depths of my very own imagination. She exists only on an abstract plane. For so long, over all these years, I had aspired to imbue Jess with the same qualities as her. I had wanted to make Jess Train Girl, not realising that they were very different entities.

But the dream now is surely over. We can never again recapture our connection on the 7:15. Jess Spencer is in the way and I'm not in love with her. I was in love with that special, silent, magical hour Train Girl and I shared every day. So I guess this is goodbye, Train Girl. Our ties have been severed and you must now drift away, across the great ocean of life, time and memory, like a message in a bottle. Someday I hope to rediscover you in the real world.

But there was no time for sentiment. Just then, the train doors opened. We stepped outside, in unison. And then away we went, off to make our own different ways in the world, the real world.

**Oswin Perera**

### **MY CAT**

I have a small, sly cat. He is a worker of mysteries, weaving in and out of the neighborhood at night. He is gone in the night and returns the next day, seemingly larger than usual. At night, hisses and snarls, growls and yelps can be heard through the windows to the yard. In the morning as I step out onto the porch to soak up the morning sun, the smell is pungent. There is often a small, deformed carcass of a small mammal or avian that can be made out as I step out onto the porch. My cat

thinks the world is his to do with as he wishes. He parades along the fence, showing how 'graceful' he is by leaping from post to post and landing without a noise on the other side of the yard at the end of his display. His ego emerges at dinner as well. A 'meagre' dish of canned tuna is always shunned; an expensive slice of liver however is gone in a matter of seconds, even if it isn't for him. If there is no fancy food to be had, he will find his own. In the morning I once again see him strutting around the yard, king of the world.

### **THE ROCK NAMED ULURU**

A big red rock  
Lies in the heart of Australia  
Carved from the hands of a million winds  
There it stands tall and proud  
The rock named Uluru

It has the patience of an alligator  
Waiting to strike  
And the body of a rhinoceros  
Sturdy and strong  
There it stands tall and proud  
The rock named Uluru

It watches over the animals  
Day and night  
Like the guardian of them all  
It watches the plants as well reaching down into the earth  
There it stands tall and proud  
The rock named Uluru

It asks no pay to guard the animals  
For what would a rock do with its pay?  
Instead it just watches the animals,  
Learning as they play,  
There it stands tall and proud  
The rock named Uluru

As day turns to night  
As night turns to day  
The winds continue to carve away  
Ever so slowly to eventually form a new shape  
There it stands tall and proud  
The rock named Uluru

A big red rock  
Lies in the the heart of Australia  
Carved from the hands of a million winds  
There it stands tall and proud  
The rock named Uluru.

**Eric Du**

# Mathematics

## Results in Maths Competitions, 2007

### Australian Mathematics Competition

Prize winners:

M.Jones (Yr7), D.Gorey (Yr8), L.Li (Yr8),  
M.Deng (Yr8), A.Chan (Yr8), B.Deng (Yr8),  
J.Wormell (Yr9), J.Sutton (Yr9), B.Ly (Yr9),  
T.Wilson (Yr10), C.Peng (Yr10), A.Morris (Yr12).

Year	Prizes	High Distinctions	Distinctions	Credits
7	1	27	89	55
8	5	15	113	35
9	3	16	76	66
10	2	20	91	49
11		35	85	38
12	1	8	15	23

NB The competition is compulsory for all of years 7–10 and optional for 11–12.

There were a number of conflicting events which affected the year 12 candidature.

### UNSW Mathematics Competition

This is a very demanding competition attracting elite mathematicians across NSW. It is organised into Senior (11–12) and Junior (7–10) divisions.

In the Senior Division Anthony Morris was placed equal third and received a \$100 prize. There were thirteen \$60 prizes in the competition including John Luu, Edwin Montoya, Albert Ng, and Jamie Tao. The competition distributed a further thirty-eight certificates including David Fan, Darren Ho, Yu Lin, Jiawen Ma, Trong Nguyen, Andrew Tang, and Simin Yang.

In the Junior Division John Wormell was first and won \$250. Declan Gorey was equal third with a prize of \$100. Fourteen further \$60 prizes were awarded including Jacob Cao. Among the forty-one certificate winners were Dale Chen, Christian Katsikaros, and Thomas Wilson.

### Australian Mathematical Olympiad Results

#### INTERMEDIATE DIVISION

There were 931 students from 140 schools across the country.

Daniel Shan (Yr10), Declan Gorey (Yr8), Jacob Cao (Yr10), and Christian Katsikaros

(Yr10) were awarded HIGH DISTINCTIONS. These are awarded to the top 10% of the candidature.

Award	Number
HD	4
D	5
C	11
P	6

#### SENIOR DIVISION

In the senior division there were 81 students from 48 schools. The three candidates from our school each received a credit.

### Mathematics Challenge for Young Australians

Junior (7–8)	Distinction	2
	Credit	3
	Participation	2
Intermediate (9–10)	High Distinction	36
	Distinction	16
	Credit	7
	Participation	5
	No Award	1

NB All of 9A and 10A were entered in the Intermediate Division and the work formed an integral part of the class work. Recognition must go to Mr Fuller and Mr Boros for their contribution.

The junior participants were from our Wednesday morning Enrichment Group. Recognition goes to Mr Choy for his efforts.

### Outstanding Achievements

Anthony Morris gained a prize for the sixth consecutive year (it is believed to be the first time this has happened). In addition to his outstanding performances in the UNSW competitions over the years, probably his most significant performances have been in the Australian Mathematical Olympiad where he twice gained a Gold Medal and in the International Mathematical Olympiad where he was awarded a Bronze Medal.

John Wormell continues to do amazingly well and will sit for the Mathematics Extension 2 HSC this year. Remember that John is yet to turn 13.

Declan Gorey (Yr8) has achieved some outstanding results and has a very bright future in mathematics competitions.

## 2007 International Mathematics Olympiad in Hanoi, Vietnam

The International Mathematics Olympiad (IMO) is a competition for the top secondary school students from around the world in mathematics. In the 2007 competition held in Hanoi, Vietnam – 95 different countries participated each sending their top six students. I was selected in the Australian IMO team along with four other students from New South Wales and one from Queensland.

The selection process began at the start of the year with the Australian Mathematics Olympiad, a two day exam open to the top 100 students in Australia. After placing sixth in Australia and receiving a gold certificate I was invited to participate in the Asia-Pacific Mathematics Olympiad. Unfortunately this did not mean overseas travel and I sat it at High placing equal third in Australia. As a result of these two achievements, I was invited to the IMO selection camp held at Shore in April and after another two selection exams (each four and a half hours long) I was selected to represent Australia at the IMO in Vietnam in July.

Following the selection camp consisting of eleven hours of maths per day, I was paired up with Ivan Guo, a High Old Boy who had competed at the IMO in '03 and '04, who mentored me in the finer points of Olympiad mathematics. One week prior to the start of the IMO, the team came together for a final few days of preparation at the pre-IMO training camp, which in previous years had been held in Rome and London. This year it was held at the University of NSW, however as a

concession we played host to the British IMO team who trained with us for the week.

After a week of exams, we flew over to Hanoi for the real thing and were greeted at the airport by a few eager guides who showed us to our bus. Since we had arrived one day before most of the other teams we had the bus to ourselves for our trip to our hotel – the luxurious Sofitel Plaza Hanoi. Unfortunately we were only staying there for one night so I made the most of the all-you-can-eat breakfast before settling into a diet of fried rice and watermelon for breakfast, lunch and dinner at our main hotel.

The opening ceremony was held the following day in the Vietnam National Convention Centre where we were welcomed by a number of dignitaries including the Vietnamese Prime Minister Nguyen Tan Dung and the President of the IMO. The parade of nations across the stage followed as each country was introduced on the stage in their official uniforms. While most countries had opted for casual shorts and t-shirts for the forty degree weather, our uniform consisted of long pants, blazer and a tie. As has been traditional for past Australian teams, we had prepared to throw a bunch of mini koalas and kangaroos from the stage into the audience but upon realising that the first five rows were occupied by a number of important Vietnamese politicians and IMO markers we decided against hitting a number of them in the head. Only three countries later, the Canadians were throwing their own furry animals into the audience and while we sat with bulging pockets feeling a bit silly. After another dozen countries had launched their little souvenirs into the audience, we bit the bullet, stood up from our seats and threw our koalas, kangaroos and sheep back into the crowd.

The competition began the following day as the 500 students once again travelled over to the Convention Centre in a police escort of twenty busses. After passing through security checks into the exam area, we were given a final pep talk by our deputy leader over a speaker phone. The exams on each day consisted of three questions to be done over four and a half hours. The first day's exam had an algebra question to begin with, followed by a geometry question and then a very difficult question involving sorting through friends and cliques in separate rooms. We later found out that the third question was the hardest ever in an IMO exam, solved completely by only two people in the world. Unfortunately the second day was no more forgiving with a geometry question and a number



Anthony Morris

theory question as the first two problems on that day and a final question that looked like geometry but turned out to be about polynomials. Overall I felt I had solved three questions over the two days, which would have been a fairly good result considering the difficulty of the exam papers.

Over the next few days we went on a number of excursions around North Vietnam to places such as a silk factory; the Temple of Literature (the oldest museum in Vietnam); and the Ho Chi Minh Mausoleum. The biggest excursion was to the World Heritage Listed Ha Long Bay where we took a boat trip to one of islands and went on a tour through the limestone caves. During those few days, the marks from the marking co-ordination slowly came through to our team. The first problems to be marked for the Australian team were questions 1, 2 and 4 which got my hopes up as I scored 17/21 for those three problems (each problem is worth 7 marks). Unfortunately, when the final results came through the following day I managed to score 0 altogether on the other three problems leaving me with a fairly credible 17/42.

The closing ceremony was held once again in the National Convention Centre, and this time the President of Vietnam Nguyen Minh Triet made a speech. The top contestants were called on stage to accept their medals with approximately half the contestants receiving a medal. Gold, Silver and

Bronze are awarded in the ratio 1:2:3 and I was delighted at receiving a bronze medal (placing 161st in the world). This year Australia finished with one silver medal, four bronze medals and an honorary mention (awarded for achieving full marks on at least one question) for a cumulative score of 110 and 22nd place in the world, our best achievement in the past five years.

Anthony Morris Yr 11.

## Titration Competition

The 2007 NSW Schools Titration (Analytical Chemistry) competition comprised 256 teams. The competition is for senior chemistry students. After a period of internal rivalry five teams, consisting of three members per team represented Sydney Boys' High School. The venue allocated for this year was Sydney University.

Each team member receives a different sample to analyse, and then a team result sheet is submitted. The square of the errors of teams is then compared. All SBHS teams enthusiastically challenged for this years title. Two teams received Certificates of Merit for being placed in the top 15%.

Year 12: Yu Li, Albert Ng and Wilson Wong.  
Year 11: Daniel Jin, Arthur Wang, Kevin Le. The best individual results were obtained by Daniel Jin (99.8% accurate) and Yu Lin (99.5% accurate).

Congratulations to all competitors.



### Titration Competition Teams

**Back Row:** W.Wong, A.Tan, J.Lai, S.Song, D.Hu, T.Jin, Y.Lin.

**Front Row:** K.Le, K.Tran, A.Wang, W.Tran, A.Ng, J.Luu, D.Jin.



# Science Competitions

## Chemistry Quiz

Plaques (these students were in the top 800)  
Zafar Mohamed Rizvi (year 7), Yujin Wu (year 7),  
Jeremy Rajendram (year 9), John Wormell (year  
9), Ishan Bapat (year 11), Michael Shen (year 12)  
The school received 146 High Distinctions, 178  
Distinctions and 151 Credit awards.

## Science Competition

Medal (top in state) - Yujin Wu (year 7).  
56 High Distinctions  
288 Distinctions  
276 Credits  
149 Participations

# Geography

## Geography Fieldwork

**F**ieldwork is an integral part of Geography at all levels. From years 9-12 in we have introduced a comprehensive educational plan this year to ensure that all our activities are both relevant and interesting. It means that students get to study and appreciate the landscape whilst improving the range of information they can add to examination answers.

In Year 7 and 8 fieldwork emphasises investigation, recording and observational skills. Year 8 visited Bicentennial Parklands at Homebush to investigate wetlands (Mangroves), human impacts and management. Various experiments were conducted to determine turbidity, water temperature, humidity, wind speed, air temperature, and sediment ph and sediment type. This helped students understand the wetland conditions. Furthermore, they observed the various human impacts and identified various management practises.

Year 9 have two excursions in 2007 with a focus on learning from the landscape. Observation is a key skill which needs to be taught and which also needs time to practice. The first excursion was to Pyrmont in inner Sydney. Here the aim was to examine the structure of the area and to search for and record key areas of the landscape. Skills training were an integral part of the day with field sketching being a key tool. Students learned how to observe and record the changes seen in this fast developing suburb.

In year 10 the focus moves from observation to questioning with the building of hypotheses and the testing of these under field conditions. The main fieldwork site was Long Reef and Collaroy where students examined coastal processes and human impacts. Students worked in three groups

each with a specific task to complete. A range of fieldwork equipment allowed them to gather considerable amounts of data to better address the hypothesis. On their return to school group work was shared through the students' online work system.

By year 11 the students will be able to formulate their own questions and carry out work with the Senior Geography Project. This is a major undertaking and so the main fieldwork opportunity is a visit to the mangrove system at Bicentennial Park. Here the students were able to study the biogeography and ecology of the mangrove system and get to appreciate its fragility. Later on they were able to use a Geographic Information System to study changes in the area and the way in which people have altered the landscape.

Year 12 fieldwork complements the modules in the HSC. They have completed three fieldwork trips this year. The first was to Darling Harbour where they were able to examine the newly installed sustainable energy and water systems and appreciate the development of this complex along more sustainable lines. The second trip examined the changes in urban areas in a transect from Central Station to Strathfield. This yielded considerable data which was again used with the online learning system to add much needed case study material to their HSC notes. The third trip was to the Hunter Valley to study wine production at Pokolbin. Students were given a guided tour of the vineyards and production system as well as an excellent talk from the winemaker about conditions in the industry.

Work continues to develop further the experience that students can gain in Geography fieldwork with trips planned to Mt Kosciuszko and further Sydney sites in later 2007/8.

# Welfare, Leadership and Community Services

This year has been one of change and consolidation in the areas of Welfare, Leadership and Community Services. Our main objective, as always, was to provide opportunities for our students to actively participate in programs which not only benefit them now but prepare them to be responsible world citizens in the future.

I was fortunate to take over the role of Head Teacher, Student Welfare from Ms May who was appointed to the position of Head Teacher, Creative and Performing Arts at Sydney Boys High. Ms May initiated many of the welfare programs which currently operate in the school and has been a driving force in the establishment of management groups to supervise a wide range of student projects. Her strategic advice and guidance and the strong support of teachers, year advisers, student counsellors, executive staff and parents enabled me to introduce a number of new welfare initiatives early, which will have long term advantages.



*Year 9 students prepare for the High Resolves Hunger Banquet*

The **High Resolves Initiative** is designed to motivate young people to be purposeful global citizens by engaging them with highly stimulating experiences. To achieve this end, the focus is on raising students' capacities through programs on human identity, justice and poverty, consultation and conflict resolution, and collective action and the environment. As students complete this sequence of programs, they are invited to extend their capacities in the HRI Club by participating in

seminar discussions of excerpts from works on philosophy and global issues and by becoming facilitators for the sequence of programs as it is run for younger students.

All students in Years 7 to 9 participated in the High Resolves program this year and it has proved to be highly successful. From September to November a group of Year 9 students trained as prospective facilitators and have now joined the HR Club to take on the challenge of leading others through the programs in 2008 and beyond. Gaining a leadership role in the HR Club has the additional benefits of attracting recognition through the Merit Award Scheme.



*Velocity presented by Motivational Media*

**Motivational Media** has been touring Australian schools for over 16 years and their multi-media presentations are designed to stimulate students to face important issues in their lives and more importantly prompt them to make changes. Students value the presentations because of the high impact format using 3 large panoramic screens, 13 metres wide along with 3 state of the art DVD synchronised projectors. In addition to this, the up to date music and video clips help make the inspirational messages of the program come alive.

This year Motivational Media presented **Velocity** which contained powerful images and messages about the value of planning for our lives and making good choices in relationships with others. The songs, stories and comments in the presentation focused on the influence that we as individuals have on those around us. The event was so positively received by both students and

teachers that it will now form part of our yearly program.

**Elevate Education** provide study skills seminars for all our Year 11 students and this year they have developed a special program to assist students in Years 7 & 8 who are experiencing some difficulties with examination preparation and establishing effective study routines. The program consists of two sessions which focus on goal setting, dynamic reading, formatting notes, exam timetables and study planners, being an active learner, creating suitable work environments and memory training. Results indicated this program proved very successful and will be extended to include targeted students in all years from 2008 onwards.

**The Future Phone Booth** made a visit to Sydney Boys High this year. Sustainable Sydney 2030 is a project run by the City of Sydney that aims to create a long term strategy for our city through consultation with all members of the community. Its aim is to ensure that the next generation inherits a city that is dynamic, responsible, exciting and inclusive. In order to consult young people about their vision for the city, 23 years from now, the Future Phone Booth was developed so students can leave their inspiring, creative and innovative suggestions for the future.



*The Future Phone Booth visited SBHS*



*Year 7 Students watching Sticks and Stones  
presented by Brainstorm Productions*

**Sticks and Stones** and **Wired** are two highly inspirational theatres in education shows created and presented by Brainstorm Productions. Sticks and Stones focus on bullying and its consequences and is aimed at Year 7 who cover this topic in their Values Education lessons early in the year. Wired is aimed at senior students and delves into the dangers of stress, particularly the sort of stress which accompanies the pressure students feel when preparing for final exams like the HSC. Both productions toured the school this year and this program will be extended to include all year 7 to Year 10 students in 2008.

**Leadership** forms a crucial part of our school programs and our aim is to expand the existing participation opportunities open to students, provide more formal leadership training and formalise systems for documenting individual progress. Ms Ward presented the Leadership Portfolios to the Welfare Committee and has worked this year on finalising Year 12 folios prior to students leaving the school. The Portfolio system provides a detailed portrait of a student's participation in a variety of leadership roles and the skills acquired. Our young men are very aware that prospective employers and scholarship providers are just as interested in this type of information as they are in academic success and they are making a significant effort to be fully engaged in this process.

**The Future Leaders Forum** was held at the Opera House early this year and was attended by

Li Ming Wu, Amir Arafat, Girish Panicker, Martin Liang, Yu Lin and Richard Yang. The audience were introduced to seven very different presentations from people chosen as outstanding leaders in their field of expertise. Students then had the opportunity to have their turn on stage to express their views about contemporary issues. In his report, Li Ming wrote:

*Speakers varied from lecturers, to doctors and journalists, who although were undoubtedly motivated by different aspects of their respective lives, all sought to bring forth similar ideas regarding achieving success in life, as well as being an effective leader. One of the central notions raised by a number of these guests is the idea that there is no single path to your desired destination but each rather saw life as a journey encompassing necessary obstacles which one must overcome and this is an essential means to further oneself in employment, society, and generally life in itself. Four of the seven speakers admitted that their original plans for life were not carried out but rather realised along the path that some routes, which may appear to be detours from your ultimate goal, are in fact pivotal pathways which lead you to the position where you can perform at your peak.*

*Another integral component of the forum and perhaps one of its highlights was the chance for members of the audience to walk on stage and express their own thoughts and opinions regarding contemporary issues or concerns which they saw as prominent in society. Issues ranged from famine in third world countries and deforestation in nations such as Brazil to the new P-Plate laws which the NSW Roads and Traffic Authority is imposing. This segment of the leadership forum facilitated the desire for those students to articulate their ideas as well as a chance to speak in front of a large audience.*

**The Community Relations Youth Leaders Day** was held at the Crowne Plaza in Parramatta and was attended by two of our Year 11 SRC leaders, Anthony Ho and Ishan Nadkarni. Both students felt it was a truly worthwhile experience. Their report was very positive:

*Anthony attended the 'Leaders of Today' forum while Ishan attended the 'Actively Involved - Participation Through Sport' forum. These discussion workshops aimed to make today's youth realise how much potential they have as*

*leaders in their communities. The day was very eventful and enjoyable and the conversations that occurred later showed that this forum not only impacted on the students there but also inspired the leaders who attended.*

The SRC form an important part of the whole school leadership program and have worked hard to maintain their strong influence on school development projects. The SRC secretary for 2007, Danny Fu presented this report in Term 3:

*The Student Representative Council for 2007 has worked together under a capable executive assisted by our teacher advisor, Ms. Branigan. We have worked as a committee to try and make a few essential changes and put forward some proposals to assist the student body of the current and future Sydney Boys High School.*

*As secretary of the current SRC, I have been asked to share with the staff, students and parents of Sydney Boys High School, some of our achievements so far in 2007.*

*A major issue for the SRC and one that had been one of concern in previous years is the state of the Bus Lines on the Anzac Parade side of the school. Every afternoon as students' line up for the school buses to go home, a large amount of dust is kicked up. Students have voiced concern to their SRC that this environment is not only very dirty and unhygienic but also potentially dangerous for health reasons, especially for those with respiratory problems. The executive put together a proposal with photo documentation and have presented this information to Dr. Jaggar. We are hopeful future plans concerning building development of this area of the school will now include an asphalt car park similar to the one on the Cleveland Street entry to the school.*

*The other major issue the SRC of 2007 have been addressing is the expectations and image of the SRC at Sydney Boys High School and the potential of the organisation to nurture leadership ability within the school context.*

*A recent non-profit BBQ organised and put on by the SRC was to raise awareness of the existence of the SRC and to make students aware that the SRC exists to improve life at High for them. The low prices on the day were a treat in response to voiced concern over the recent increased prices at the canteen.*

*As part of the plan to develop the role of the*



**Student Representative Council**

**Back Row:** S.Tang, W.Tran, M.Liang, R.Yang, A.Karunakaran, A.Leung, C.Wong, T.Ly, W.Stefanidis.

**Second Row:** I.Zaman, K.Lim, C.Katsikaros, N.Wong, N.Chowdhury, A.Wang, M.Shen, Y.Lin, D.Edgton, P.Desmond, Ms B.Branigan (SRC Facilitator).

**Front Row:** S.Prusty, S.Saleh, I.Nadkarni (Treasurer), A.Shapilsky (Vice President), V.Peranathan (President), D.Fu (Secretary), K.Le, S.Razeen, J.Wong.  
**Seated on Ground:** G.Panicker, B.Apolonio, A.Sivashammugarajah, Z.Mohamed Rizvi, H.Heo, M.Wong, S.Kinger.

*SRC of Sydney Boys High School for the future, a number of SRC students have attended two regional SRC meetings, where student leaders from schools throughout the region meet and discuss how the SRC is run and what they have achieved. It is also an opportunity for students to get involved in State SRC and student leadership forums.*

*Together with two other year 11 students and Ms. Branigan, I recently attended a regional meeting, hosted by Fort St High School. The main concern voiced from the schools that attended the meeting was their part in changing their own school environment.*

*The SBHS SRC plans for the remainder of the year include putting on the annual Trivia Night, which has always been a great success and hope we will have plenty of staff and student support.*

In Term 4 the SRC attended two regional conferences, the Youth Challenge Forum and Awards as well as the Youth Leadership Conference at Darling Harbour involving 21 students from Years 9 to 11. It is anticipated that Sydney Boys High SRC and Sydney Girls High SRC will combine forces for some projects in 2008.

**The Big Brother Program** allows students the opportunity to become involved in mentoring students from a primary school. The purpose of the program is:

- to provide valuable links with local primary schools
- to enable high school students the opportunity to develop leadership skills
- to provide an opportunity to access school to work knowledge and understandings

This a very worthwhile and satisfying experience because of the positive reception students receive from both the primary students and the teachers who view this as a learning exchange which is extremely beneficial to all participants. This year Andre Brokman and Bao Khuu were invited to spend two days at Carlton Primary School and it was an extremely valuable visit in many ways. In his report Andre wrote:

*Bao and I strolled around the room helping the teacher deal with the daunting queue of questions. We took special notice of the manner in which she handled her class and addressed the questions and problems presented to her by her*

*young student body. Her manner was always calm and conscientious and she made sure when responding to a question that she was interested and engaging and methodical in her response to the class. She was always well-mannered and established fairness in any disputes which arose in the class. The end of the lesson approached and Andre performed Monti Vittorio's lively gypsy piece 'Czardas' for the enjoyment of the class. The bell for Recess rang and that concluded our experience with the Kindergarten class that day.*

Eventually we made our way back to the school office area to have our chat with two year 6 boys who had gained entry to SBHS. They had many questions and we had lots to say about the school and in a long-winded conversation we went over a wide range of school-related topics. The boys left with a good ground-knowledge of what to expect on their first day and a justly-deserved positive attitude towards the school. We hope to meet them next year in 2008. Our lively chat continued well into the final period of the school day. We enjoyed our day and value the experiences we gained.

**Peer Support Leaders** again provided assistance for the Year 7 students to make a smooth transition from primary school to high school and to ensure our new arrivals feel welcome and cared for in their new environment. This scheme forms another integral part of the Leadership Program and provides participants with opportunities to develop valuable leadership skills such as team building and management. Peer Support and Peer Mediation are coordinated by Ms Berger who has been organising these programs for some time and her commitment and careful management of both areas has enabled students to secure valuable life skills and merit award points for their efforts. Peer Mediators and Peer Support Leaders complete their training in Term 4 each year.

**Community Service** in 2007 was coordinated by Ms Plummer and the chosen charities were:

- Father Riley's 'Youth Off the Streets' Year 12
- Sir Roden Cutler Foundation Year 11
- Lak Saviya Foundation Year 10
- Bogabilla Central School Year 9
- Jeans for Genes Year 8
- Stewart House Year 7

Each year group held a 'mufti day' to mark the

event and generous donations were collected for each of the charities. Some groups were involved in collecting at other venues outside of the school for additional charities, giving them the opportunity to extend their community service and make an even greater contribution to support those in need.

**Parent Partnerships** foster meaningful community links which significantly benefit the school. This year we have been fortunate to have Fabienne Ovadia join the Welfare Committee as our parent representative and she has made a generous contribution through the time, energy, enthusiasm and clear, positive judgement she has brought to her role. As well as attending our committee meetings, she was also involved in a Year Adviser's Review Day, the Values Education Review (along with Megan Erikson) as well as being a selection panel member for two new Year Adviser positions. She provides a valuable link

with the P&C and has organised special presentation evenings to help keep parents fully informed about important Welfare issues. Her work on the Welfare Team and the P&C is commendable and very much appreciated.

**Values Education** is a dynamic program which is constantly being reshaped to more adequately meet the needs of our students. It not only allows us to satisfy the mandatory requirements for the teaching of values in schools but also assures we are addressing some of the most important life skills students can acquire during their adolescent years. This year we have undertaken a review of the existing programs with the help of Mr Coan, Ms Jassy, Ms Lim, Ms Berger and our two parent representatives (Mrs Ovadia and Mrs Erikson). The review day was very successful focusing on stages of adolescent development, task variation and timetabling issues. Our aim is to further improve the programs



#### **Year 10 Peer Support**

**Back Row:** T.Wilson, J.Young, N.Ridges, T.Harvey, S.Binns, M.Feng, N.Dimitropoulos, L.Png, M.Osinski.

**Fourth Row:** D.Lo, J.Wachsmann, A.Sharma, M.Ling, D.Peng, A.Hatle, C.Katsikaros, J.Eriksson, C.Chen, R.Mitra, F.Lee.

**Third Row:** L.Teng, D.Stojanovic, J.Nguyen, S.Ponraj, J.Chow, J.Ireland, N.Street, C.Chen, N.Spoljaric, J.Santoso, M.Mikha, N.Wong.

**Second Row:** J.Wong, A.Brown, D.Hu, B.Lu, A.Tran, T.Nguyen, S.Burnham, A.Tsailis, H.Lane, M.Tang, D.Nam, A.Xie, D.Lam.

**Front Row:** D.Wu, M.Chan, K.Lo, M.Sin, H.Neo, S.Hoang, Mrs B.Berger (Co-ordinator), J.Chan, L.Tran, T.Choudhury, V.Zhang, T.Yu, N.Lindeback

which currently exist through rescheduling modules and introducing new approaches to the material being taught. The Values Education program is an integral part of the school curriculum for junior students and their progress and level of participation is reported each half year.

**Year Advisers 2007**

Year 12	Mr Coan
Year 11	Mr Devlin
Year 10	Mr Storey/Ms Berger
Year 9	Ms Walles/Mr Codey
Year 8	Ms Crothers
Year 7	Ms Gilmore

**School Counsellors**

Ms Harman  
Ms Plummer

**Assistant Year Advisers**

Mr Hayman  
Ms Jassy  
Ms Miller

I would like to finish by recognising the outstanding work of the Year Advisers, Assistant Year Advisers and School Counsellors in all areas of school life to ensure the well being of students. They are indeed dedicated, caring teachers and I thank them very much for their help, support, and teamwork throughout 2007. Thank you also to Jerry Phillipson who has worked hard all year as our Support Officer and who has made a significant difference to the quality of school life for some students. Looking to the future, it is fitting to warmly welcome the new Year 7 Adviser for 2008, Ms Lim and the Assistant Year Adviser, Mr Howey to the Welfare Team.

John Walker, Head Teacher, Student Welfare



**Peer Mediation**

**Back Row:** *T.Lindeback, L.Street, T.Joo.*

**Second Row:** *T.Rosengarten, A.Shapilsky, K.Mickovski, N.Lochner, I.Nadkarni, A.Leung, K.Iyer, Z.Harrison-Tikisci.*

**Front Row:** *M.Lee, S.Iyer, J.Cohn, Ms B.Berger (Co-ordinator), A.Ho, J.Wong, K.Rao.*



# Boggabilla Trip 2007

The Boggabilla trip of 2007 was set to begin with the usual 5:30 departure from school. However after all packing our bags into the trailer in the drizzling rain we realized that one of our number had not bothered to make the effort to turn up on time. It was after nearly half an hour of sitting in the bus, tired and cranky, that the man himself (Johnny Lieu) decided to grace us with his presence. After a few words from Mr Barris we were off, starting the long eleven hour trip up to Boggabilla.

The bus trip was relaxing, a good time to catch up with heartbroken friends, with the highlight being the stop at Gunnedah, which happens to have a top quality bakery. Once again after a brief stop some certain Year 10s were late back for the bus. Upon our arrival at Boggabilla Central School we set up our stuff in the gym and mucked around with some basketballs to prepare for the big game against the local boys. After a promising start to the match us city slickers were thoroughly outclassed by the country boys, who showed impressive skill. During the game David Vien went for a jog around Boggabilla to experience it for the first time and had this to say about his experience:

“For me, the greatest memory of Boggabilla will always be talking to the people in the town. It was their generally friendly and welcoming nature that really helped me to overcome any apprehensive feelings I had.”

On the next day we drove down to the camping site and set our tents up on the sand by the riverside. The afternoon was spent collecting firewood, canoeing, fishing and lazing around with the guys from Boggabilla. As it began to get dark guitars and marshmallows were brought out and we settled around the campfire. Many of the boys were fortunate enough to partake in a traditional Aboriginal dance ritual, playing

kangaroos, goannas and emus. Tim Joo, who has been associated with the Boggabilla program for five years enjoyed this just as much as everyone else:

“The camp food, the fire, the marshmallows and the songs around the fire were the best time I’ve had in the five years and most importantly the friendships I made will last forever.”

Another highlight of the night was Lachlan Street teaching a highly inquisitive young Boggabilla boy how to play guitar. On our last full day in Boggabilla we secured an historic victory in the traditional touch rugby game (the first time ever) with the local boys. All the guys from year 7 to 11 from Sydney High played together extremely well, with the help of some passionate coaching from the sidelines. This was followed by the short trip over the border to Queensland and Goondiwindi, where we visited everyone’s favourite bargain warehouse. We spent the final night in the Boggabilla motel as usual.

The long trip back was made enjoyable by a whole-bus game of “mafia”, which involved shouting, loud accusations and dying testimonies. The trip was capped off by a resounding, if somewhat out of tune, rendition of the Red Hot Chili Peppers with all the windows wound down as we entered the Cleveland Street gates.

Many thanks must go to Mr Barris and Mr Ryan for the time spent accompanying us, as well as the numerous hours put in to organizing the trip. Without their continued support for this cultural exchange it would simply not be possible. Also a big thank you to Ms Walles for organizing the air beds which made our trip that bit more comfortable, it was a shame she could not accompany us. The trip was once again a resounding success in creating cultural awareness and acceptance, and building valuable friendships between two vastly different schools.

Alistair Taylor.

# International Computer Skills Competition

## Year 7 Medal Winner

**C**ongratulations to Jamian Vuong of Year 7 on an outstanding effort and medal-winning achievement in the 2007 International Competitions and Assessment for Schools, in the area of Computer Skills. An exceptional result given the competition paper was targeted and set at a Year 8 level. Jamian attended the UNSW Medal Presentation Ceremony on the 23rd October 2007 and received his medal and certificate along with other NSW and ACT medal winners.



## Tournament of the Minds



### Tournament of the Minds

**Back Row:** J.Byrnes, A.Ghose, N.Autar, C.McKay, K.Dutta.

**Front Row:** S.Kinger, S.Prusty, J.Vuong, P.Wu (Facilitator), J.Wong (Facilitator), A.Weinstock, R.Sternhell.

# Da Vinci Decathlon

The Da Vinci Decathlon is an academic interschool gala day run in the spirit of an Olympic decathlon, organised by the Knox Grammar School, Wahroonga. Each year forty schools are invited to participate and whilst the majority of schools are private schools, both Sydney Boys High and Sydney Girls High have represented the public system with great distinction over recent years. The Decathlon, now in its fifth year, has become a prestigious event on the school calendar and is eagerly anticipated by competing students.

Students are faced with a range of tasks with an emphasis placed on higher order thinking skills. Amongst the most keenly contested and challenging tasks are, Code Breaking, Engineering Challenge, Forensic Sleuths, Art and Poetry, and Creative Producers.

High was represented by four teams of eight students each. Years 7 and 8 competed on Tuesday 5th June and Years 9 and 10 on Thursday 7th June. The location for the competition was the impressive Lawson Centre at the Knox Grammar School.

**Year 7:** Jamian Vuong, Rodrigo Manahan, Sam Marques, Christopher Ooi, Jacky Yang, Conor Stack, Christopher Chiam, Hung-Tin Lin

The Year 7 team making their first appearance at the Decathlon achieved a creditable 14th placing. They were able to register a top ten finish in three of the ten tasks. The boys displayed remarkable teamwork and a high level of enthusiasm throughout the competition and this experience will be of great benefit in the future.

**Year 8:** Samir Kinger, Sam Beston, Max Wei, Vivian Le, Ashwin Rudder, Dawen Shi, Nikhil Autar, Dominic Nguyen

The Year 8 team achieved an outstanding result placing second overall and registering a top ten finish in six of the ten tasks. Each student received a silver medallion to recognise their achievement and these were presented to them by Dr Jaggar at the Junior School Assembly. The boys were very proud of their efforts and proved to be great ambassadors for their school.

**Year 9:** Lachlan Chant, John Wormell, Declan Macrea-Steele, Michael Do, Pravin Radhakrishnan, Puneet Baweja, Tadeusz Davenport, Alex Saunders

The Year 9 team achieved a creditable 15th placing. Though clearly disappointed with their

result the boys were able to register a top ten finish in four of the ten tasks. This was a highly motivated team which displayed good teamwork and high levels of enthusiasm throughout the competition.

**Year 10:** Thomas Nguyen, Alik Belokopytov, Patrick Desmond, Kang Lim, Clive Chen, Leonard Teng, Victor Lim, Alasdair Brown

The Year 10 team delivered an outstanding performance to finish third overall and placed in the top ten in five of the ten tasks. The boys were highly motivated to do well, several having participated in previous decathlons. Teamwork came to the fore as the right students were allocated to particular tasks with highly successful outcomes. The boys were awarded a bronze medallion to recognise their achievement and these were presented to them by Dr Jaggar at the Senior School Assembly.

## Year 7 Da Vinci Decathlon

On Thursday, 7 June, eight boys from Year 7, me (Jamian Vuong), Christopher Chiam, Christopher Oei, Conor Stack, Rodrigo Manahan, Hung-Ting Lin, Jacky Yang and Sam Marques represented our school in the Da Vinci Decathlon. We had many days of practice so we were ready to compete.

Our first session consisted of the Engineering Challenge, Art and Poetry, Science and the Games of Strategy. Sam and I went off to compete in the Games of Strategy whilst the others were working on the other subjects. After the session, we had been told some of the results for session one. To our surprise, we came second in the Engineering Challenge.

Our second session started shortly after the first. This session contain the subjects Creative Producers, Mathematics, Forensic Sleuths, and English. For Creative Producers, we had to advertise the Caveman Olympics. Yet again, we came sixth in Forensic Sleuths.

Then it was lunch. It was extraordinary. There were four pizzas to a group, which meant we all got half a pizza! Then came the extra boxes. At the end, we were all so full, we were about to burst.

Finally, we had our third and last session. This consisted of General Knowledge and Code Breaking. We saw that most of these questions were easy. We were confident of the answers we

were jotting down. We came fourth in Code Breaking which made us very happy. Overall, we came fourteenth in the whole competition.

We all had fun and had a great time. We did the best we could and got so far. Congratulations to the team! Thanks to Mr. Dolan and Ms Eggleton for all their help.

Jamian Vuong 7R.

## **Year 8 Da Vinci Decathlon**

**T**he Da Vinci Decathlon was held at the Knox Grammar School on 7th June and High sent eight Year 8 students to the academic gala day. The highly successful team consisting of: Samir Kinger, Dominic Nguyen, Ashwin Rudder, Samuel Beston, Max Wei, Nikhil Autar, Vivian Le and Darwin Shi was able to manage a highly creditable second placing on overall point aggregate being edged out by hosts Knox who were captained by the winner of Australia's Brainiest Kid in 2005. The boys represented Sydney Boys very well and combined well as a unit.

The Da Vinci Decathlon comprises of ten subjects: Engineering Challenge, Art and Poetry, Science, Mathematics, English, Creative Producers, Forensics, Code Breaking, Games of Strategy and General Knowledge. There were around forty schools represented in the Year 8 division. Some schools had travelled many kilometres as there were schools from Bathurst, Central Coast and the Blue Mountains. Other schools included: The Kings School, Sydney Girls and Scots College.

The day started behind schedule because of the terrible weather and flooding in North Sydney as many schools arrived to the venue soaked and late. The competition had finally started after a twenty minute delay with Engineering, Science, Art and Poetry, Games of Strategy being the subjects in the first period. We had around 85 minutes to break into sub-groups and work on the problems. In Engineering we had to build the tallest possible structure using only two sheets of paper, six straws and 50mm of masking tape, that could support a weight, sadly we did not attack this problem with great intensity and failed to achieve a placing in the top twenty for engineering. In Art and Poetry we had to write a poem to do with "war" and the poem had to be integrated into an original artwork. We did a very respectable job with Art and Poetry and finished seventh in that subject. After the disappointment

in Engineering, our team attacked the remaining subjects of the day with great intensity, commitment and teamwork. The disappointment in Engineering was a learning curb for the inexperienced team and we did exceptionally well in the remaining subjects.

Also in the first session there were Games of Strategy and Science. We did exceptionally well in both placing first in Science. The Science sub-group had to devise five questions to ask Energy Australia about Earth Hour and they also had to design an experiment on how they were to collect reliable data if an event similar to Earth Hour was to be held again. The sub-group was the most composed and planned their time well which was a major factor in the outcome. While all this was happening, Dominic and Dawen were sweating it out in the Games of Strategy section. Thankfully, Dominic worked out the chess puzzles and Dawen only dropped one game of mastermind. We finished sixth place in Games of Strategy and we were well placed after the first session.

In the second session, the subjects were: Maths, English, Creative Producers and Forensic Sleuths. We came second overall in Maths and English, thirteenth in Forensics and 21st-50th in Creative Producers. In Creative Producers, teams would nominate two or three people to devise a commercial in ten minutes on a designated topic. The topic for Year 8 was "eels for profit and fun". In Maths, there were thirteen problem solving questions that had our top mathematicians anxious as the questions were very hard and some required up to three pages of working out! English was about word origins, word structure, grammar, analogies, acronyms, spelling, unscrambling and messages in illustrations. We were destined for a top three finish; all we had to maintain was a placing in the top 20 for the two remaining subjects.

In the third session, the two subjects were General Knowledge and Code Breaking. We finished off well by placing twelvth in General Knowledge and eighth in Code Breaking. It was now time for the results. We waited in anticipation, knowing that we would come in the top five. Much to our surprise, we were awarded second place and we received silver medals. We fell short by just 130 points to Knox but we were still proud of our accomplishment. Thanks to Mr. Dolan and Ms Eggleton for their efforts in enabling us to participate in this excellent competition. We look forward to going one place better next year.

Samir Kinger

## **Year 9 Da Vinci Decathlon**

**T**he 2007 Da Vinci Decathlon was a great day out. Everyone on the year nine team had fun, even if we didn't place right up there. But many of you are probably wondering, "What is the Da Vinci Dewhatnow?" It is a large competition of forty teams of different schools competing for glory and shiny pieces of metal in a battle of wits. There are many different subjects which the teams compete in, such as mentally challenging Forensic Sleuths (in which it deals with evidence and logic puzzles) to the Engineering Challenge where competitors design something with supplied materials to complete a set task.

When we got there and found our tables (we actually went around the venue before finding our table near where we came in.) we were given some puzzles and then the day was underway. First up was the Engineering challenge, Art and Poetry, Science and Games of Strategy. With the engineering Challenge, our creative construction team quickly set to work building a structure that could roll a ping pong ball the furthest distance while keeping it 10cm above the ground. We were given the materials of six drinking straws, two A4 sheets of paper, and 50mm of masking tape. They tested several theories, but concluded that using the straws as support and cutting and folding the paper to create a long pathway was the best way to go. The reasoning was sound, as the winners used the same design, but managed to get a longer pathway out of the paper.

Science was the task to create a newspaper article on using small things to go a long way, based on a newspaper article provided. Some eager scientists in our group took this task on themselves and managed to come up with a creative solution to the problem. I mean, making cows out of stem cells to provide food, so simple! It's a wonder it has never been done before.

Art and Poetry was the task to create a poem and accompanying artwork based on the working life of Sydney in 2007. Our artists took a good look at the task and managed to come up with some very interesting ideas, but unfortunately by the time they had completed the first stage of the artwork, time was up, which infuriated our creative team members. Time, they say, is the problem of the workplace!

Games of Strategy had two parts. The written chess exam, in which our resident chess master had to complete a task within a few moves, and the computer exam, in which the games "mastermind"

and "connect four" had to be played against an intelligent computerised opponent.

With this last task out of the way, it was time to find a sunny spot outside and enjoy a light recess. Juice was supplied by the tournament organisers, and we had a good half hour break to recuperate from the mental challenges we had faced, and prepare for the ones we were yet to face.

Heading inside we were presented with Mathematics, English, and Forensic Sleuths. Mathematics and English were quickly taken up by those students who enjoyed such subjects, while myself and two other team mates tackled the logic puzzles set for us from this paper. We broke right through the easier puzzles, and set to work on a difficult picture with many things wrong. After a few minutes of checking the picture, and then checking our eyes, we managed to complete the puzzles without much further challenge.

Mathematics was rather beyond me, but as much as I could extract from the minds hard at work on it, was that it was fairly hard. They seemed to be happy with what they had done, so we checked through the work they had done, and submitted it at the end.

English was many word puzzles, some easy (like anagrams) to difficult (deciphering words and the Latin meaning for them, which means what the word is now) but our cultured crew soldiered on through them, eventually completing the paper.

During this time, we sent off half of our group to do the "Creative Producers" where your group has to produce an advertisement on a product, which for us this year was "Goldmines Greatest Hits" and our team produced a side-slapping advertisement, but it sadly didn't stand up to the people who won. They really knew how to speak to an audience.

With our tasks done and dusted, we quickly hurried outside for the hot lunches. Pizza from Dominoes! We devoured our allotted Hawaiian and Meat-Lovers pizzas, and spent a few minutes discussing the tasks we had completed, and wondering what was next. But, to our surprise, we had a visitor from Sydney Girls, bearing a gift! More pizza! Our hungry minds and hungry bellies quickly thanked the girls and tucked into our pizza, and by the time lunch was over we had really eaten a lot of pizza.

The final challenges were up next, and we assembled at our table to tackle what was bound to be our hardest challenges as a collective force,

determined to complete them.

General knowledge was a few tasks over a range of subjects, such as current affairs, entertainment, trivia, knowledge of cities and a few famous faces. Such a task was easy with a few minds working on it, and you never know what other people know until they tell you what they know, and it can be very interesting.

The final and probably most difficult task was code breaking, in which we were faced with many puzzling things that made no sense at all until we had carefully thought through and collaborated to find our answers.

After that, we handed in our final segments and went outside for an ice-cream. Well, when your day is so challenging, it's nice to relax over an ice cold treat.

The final things to do were to watch the winners of the creative producers perform the winning entries. I thought we did pretty well, but these charismatic people totally blew us out of the water. After that, they announced the winners, unfortunately, we didn't win, but I don't think anyone minded really, we had fun and put our minds to a challenging test, and we were glad to cheer on the Year 10 team who were awarded third place in the Year 10 division.

To all those who are thinking of competing, go ahead! It's a great day and you can learn all sorts of interesting new things. I'm sure you would enjoy it just as much as we did. Thanks to Mr Dolan and the Talent Development Committee for giving us the opportunity to compete in this prestigious event.

Lachlan Chant

## Year 10 Da Vinci Decathlon

On Tuesday 5 June, 2007, a group of Year 10 boys (Alasdair Brown, Alik Belokopytov, Clive Chen, Patrick Desmond, Kang Lim, Victor Lim, Leonard Teng and Thomas Nguyen), participated in the Da Vinci Decathlon, an academic gala day run in the spirit of an Olympic Decathlon, with events of an academic nature, held annually at Knox Grammar. 40 different schools from all over the state (as well as the ACT) sent teams of eight students to compete in the ten different activities

As always, the activities were:

1. Mathematics – This year, there was a heavy emphasis on problem solving and number patterns.

2. English – Spelling of particular words, the etymology of certain words, the “-phobias” and “-ologies”.
3. Science – Creating a scientific invention
4. Code Breaking
5. Engineering – Every year, Engineering is the most competitive of the activities, and this was no exception. We had to make a bridge for a ping-pong ball, using only 5cm of masking tape, two A4 sheets of paper and six straws. At all times, the ping-pong ball had to remain at least 10 cm above the ground.
6. Forensic Sleuths – Spot the Difference, Detective work and things of the like.
7. Creative Producers – A sub-group from the team has ten minutes to develop and present a thirty second commercial to promote a particular obscure product. This year's product for Year 10 was “University Courses for Vegetables”.
8. Art and Poetry – The team is to develop a poem as well as a complementary work of art on a given theme - this year's was based on *Collin Street, 5p.m.* by John Brack (1955).
9. Games of Strategy – The same as every other year, solving Chess problems, as well as playing Mastermind and Connect 4 against other schools.
10. General Knowledge – General Knowledge is always the most coveted activity by our team. This year, topics included current affairs to entertainment and geography to trivia.

However, there was something that was different from the other years, and that was our results in the various subjects. Our most noticeable performances were seventh in the Engineering, third in Art and Poetry, fifth in Science, third in Games of Strategy and third in General Knowledge. To top it all off, we came first in the pizza-eating competition, held at lunch-time, in the Knox Courtyard. The aforementioned performances (minus the pizza eating) resulted in a third placing and a bronze medal.

Overall, the event was a hectic and frenzied day, however, as always, it was a learning and knowledgeable experience. Unfortunately, this year was our last year of the Da Vinci Decathlon; however, the memories will remain with us for many years to come. We appreciate the efforts of Mr Dolan and thank him for organizing our involvement in this year's Decathlon.

Thomas Nguyen

## The Visual Arts

The Visual Arts staff welcomed Jocelyne Isaacs for terms 1 and 2 and Nikki Peace for Terms 3 and 4 who joined Jenni May, Claire Reemst and Bonnie Branigan.

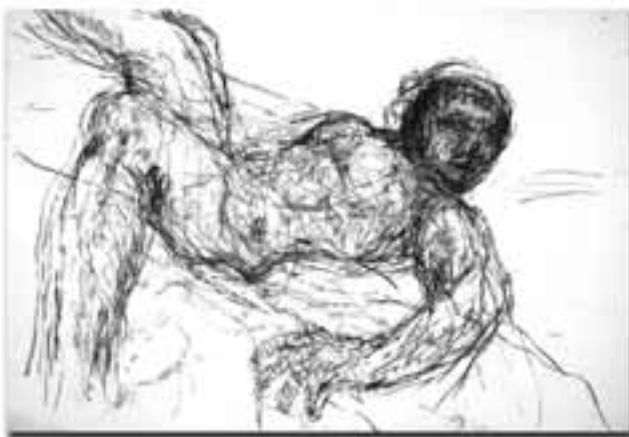
In Term 1 Year 8 and elective art students [yr 9-12] were taken on excursions to the Art Gallery of NSW and the Gardens where they saw the Archibald, Sulman and Wynne Prizes, the Manga exhibition displaying the master Tezuka's work [of Kimba and Astro Boy fame] and Art Express.



Later in the year Year 8 went on the annual pilgrimage to Taronga Park Zoo where they spent the day drawing many animals emphasising a range of qualities. The weather was beautiful and the drawings expressive and developed. At the zoo students drew various animals using a range of techniques. As always our students were exemplary representatives of the school.

Sculpture by the Sea is a regular date on the art calendar for elective art students from yr 9-11.





Xiao Liu







Anirban Ghose and Cailin McKay [year 9], *"The Invisible Man"*, Documented performance piece

Exploring this annual event and considering the different nature of exhibition spaces is a valuable and a rare opportunity. Year 10 Art students produced small scale sculptures in a range of materials exploring the different starting points and catalysts for artists. They then developed a more personal major sculptural work.

Year 9 – eleven students were invited to attend the Weekend Australian Art Sydney Art Fair held at Fox Studios in October.

Yr 9 art students studied *The Body in Art* investigating how the human figure is represented in traditional and contemporary art practices. The task of wrapping bodies in transparent material was enjoyed thoroughly and students confidently explored performance and documented art forms when they videoed their plastic body casts in a range of environments.

Two Year 10 students, Shane Ponraj and Neil Street, attended a Gifted and Talented art workshop "Rocks On" and met Ben Quilty, an renowned Sydney artist, who judged the works and

selected works to be exhibited. Congratulations to Shane for his Highly Commended award and first artist group show in the city.

Year 10 and 12 went to College of Fine Arts to view Art Express works and look through the VAPDs followed by an excursion to the AGNSW.

Year 11 Digital Imaging students mastered PhotoShop and the digital camera and a large



Andrew Wogas, digital imaging



Calum Martin and his stunning photo winning Woollahra Youth Photography prize, Local subject section



Mitchell Hammer, Movement Photograph



*Luke de la Cour Yr 7*

collection of confident digital images were entered into the Woollahra Photographic Prize. Calum Martin won the local subject category and Ashwin Thomas [Yr 12 accelerated Visual Arts] and Jason Nguyen [Yr 10 Visual Arts] received commendations for their inspired images.

The theme for Year 7 Art students in Semester 1 was Fears and Fantasies. Students produced stunning drawings and clay creatures.



*Tom Hurrell Yr 12, detail of "Questions of a Clone"*

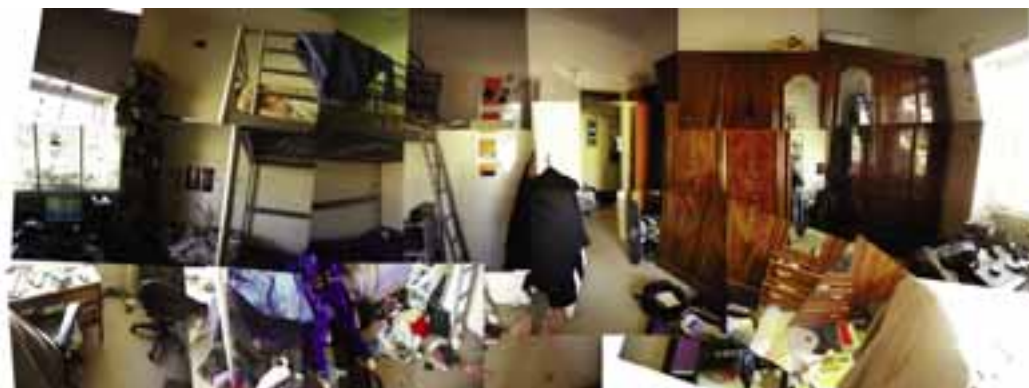


*Bryant Apolonio Yr 10, Ceramic bust*

Tom Castleton of yr 12 entered these photographs of figures on the beach in the Mosman Youth Art Prize show. These photos went on to form a component of his final body of work. It was tremendous to see Tom become engaged with this area of the art world.

Xiao Lui of Year 12 attended the National Art School gifted and talented drawing studio over 2006 and 2007.

Thomas Hurrell organised to work in the studio of renowned Australian sculptor Tom Bass to develop his ideas for his HSC body



*Jason Nguyen, Yr 10, Bedroom after Hockney, digital*

of work. He then worked with old boy Damien Martin to develop resin casts at “Odd Studio”.

Year 10 Visual Arts students explored movement through sculpture and produced a range

of different sculptures employing a range of materials and techniques. They also worked in PhotoShop to “Map their Worlds” and explored art forms and techniques of their own choice.



*Kai Wen Su, Year 9*



*Patrick Lai, Year 9*

Visual Design students in Year 9 investigated CD design and marketing in term 1 visiting retail outlets to inform them about design concerns. The very popular tree house project followed, and students produced some inspired designs demonstrating excellent techniques.

Year 10 Visual Design students investigated sustainable design and solutions were entered in the Sustainable Living Competition run by the University of NSW.



*Josh Bell, Year 10*



*Abraham Chan, Year 10*





Ashwin Thomas



Jonathan Diolaso



Andrew Huang



# hsc art

Thomas Hurrell

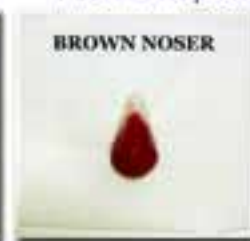


Alexander Dovan



Thomas Castleton

Alex Shapilsky







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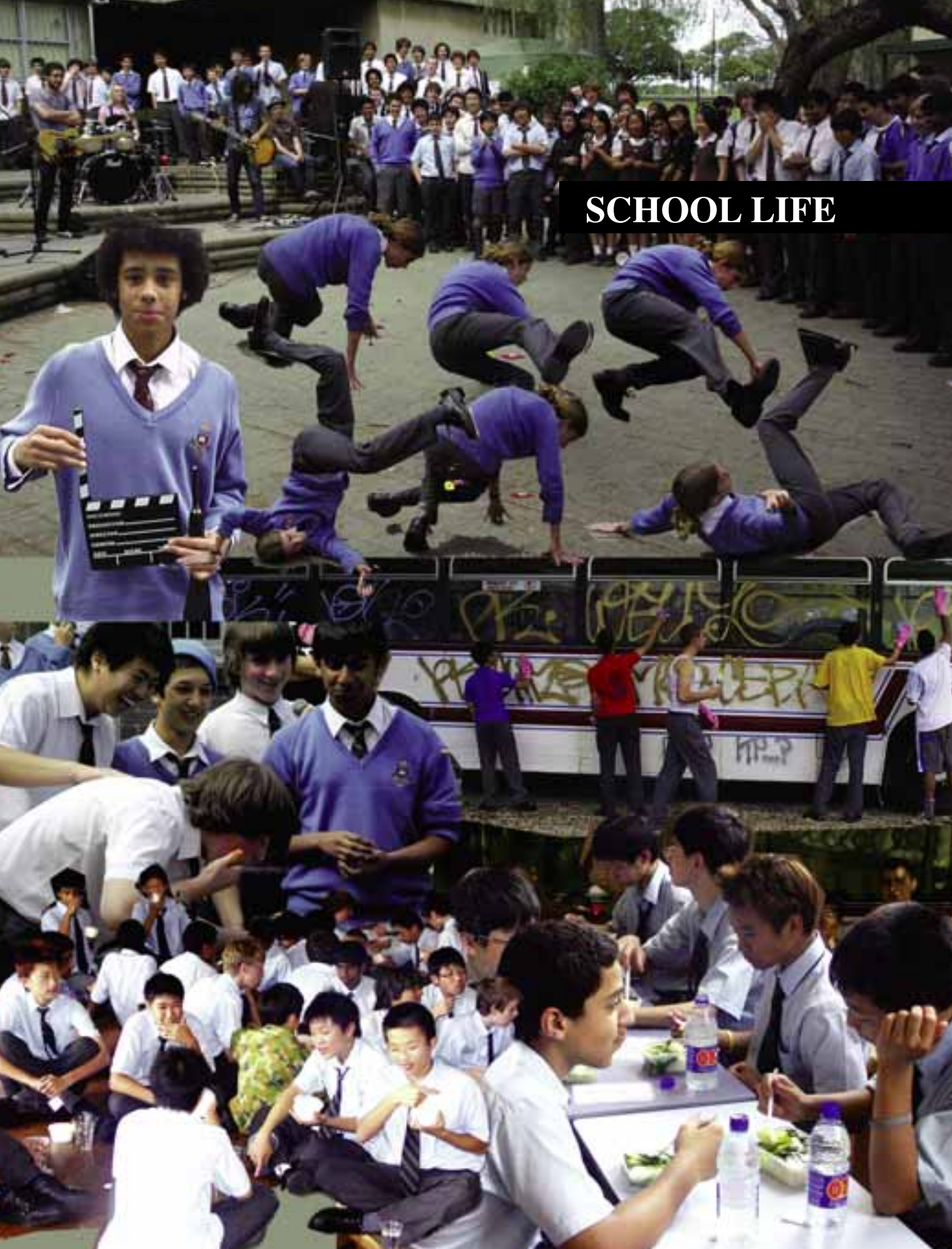




## GOVERNOR GENERAL VISIT







## SCHOOL LIFE





## OPEN DAY







*Year 8 Art excursion to Art Gallery and Gardens*



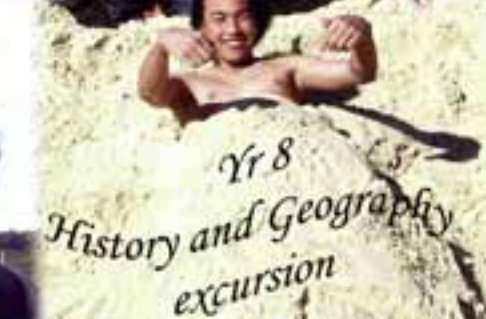
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*Year 8 Art to  
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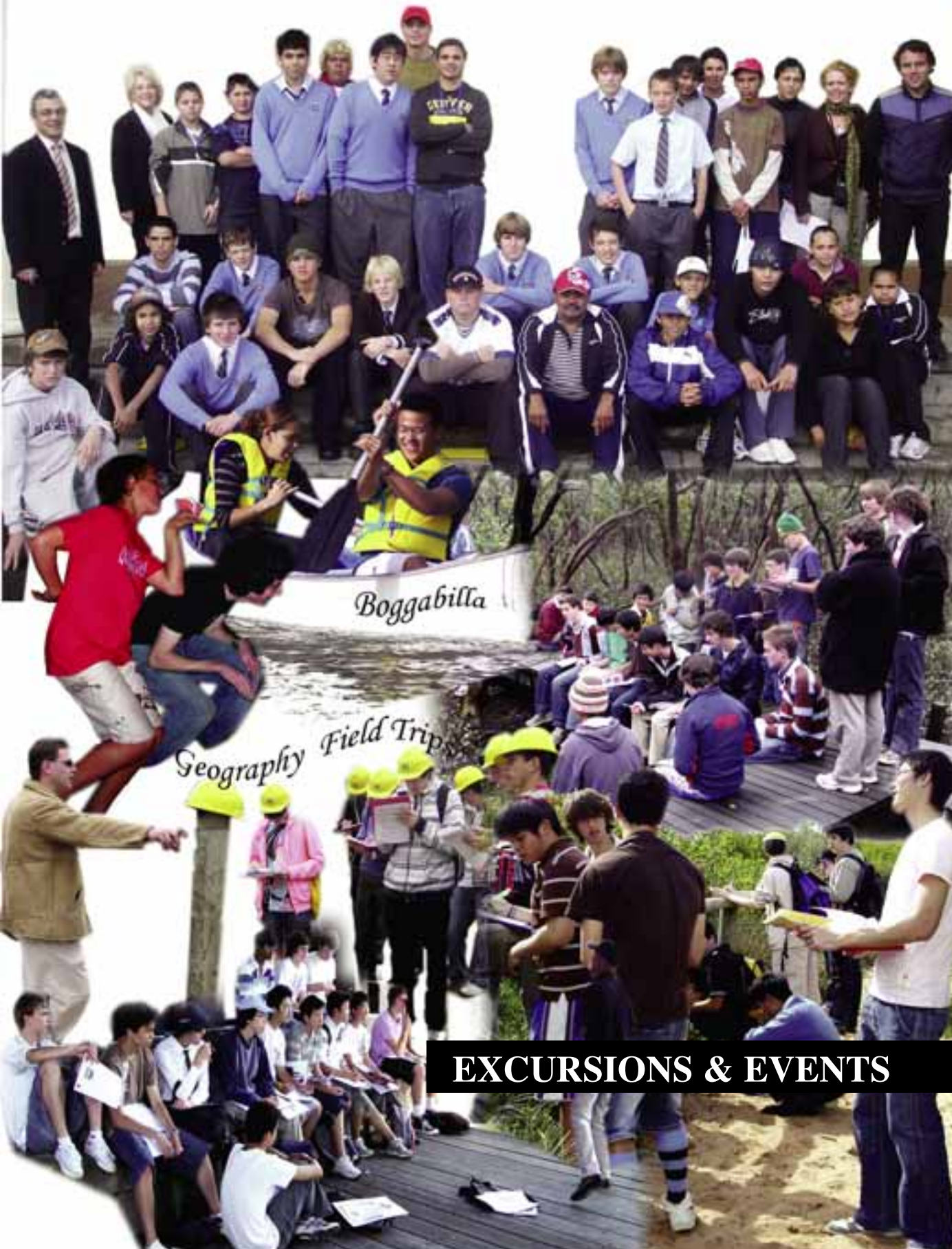


## EXCURSIONS



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**EXCURSIONS & EVENTS**





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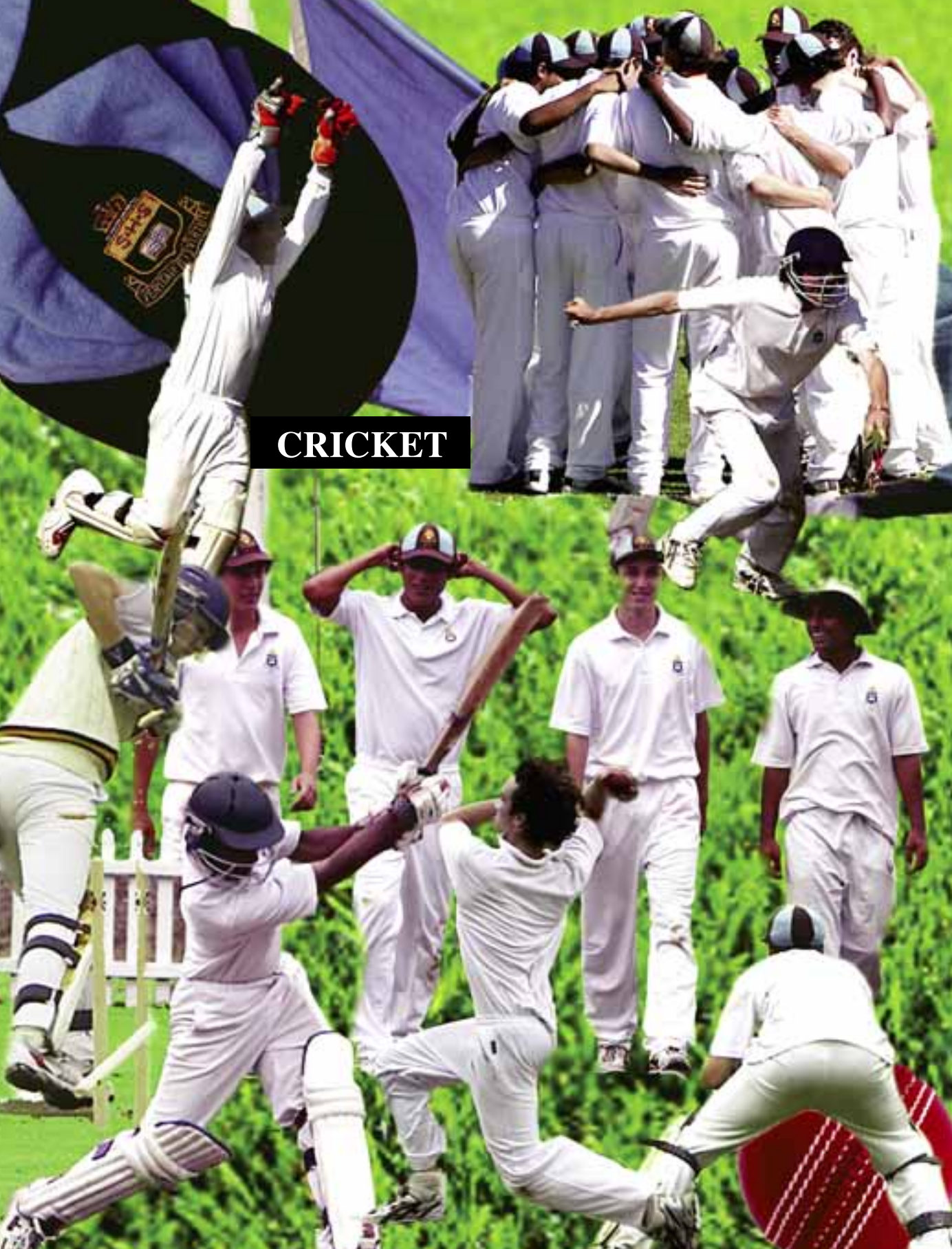
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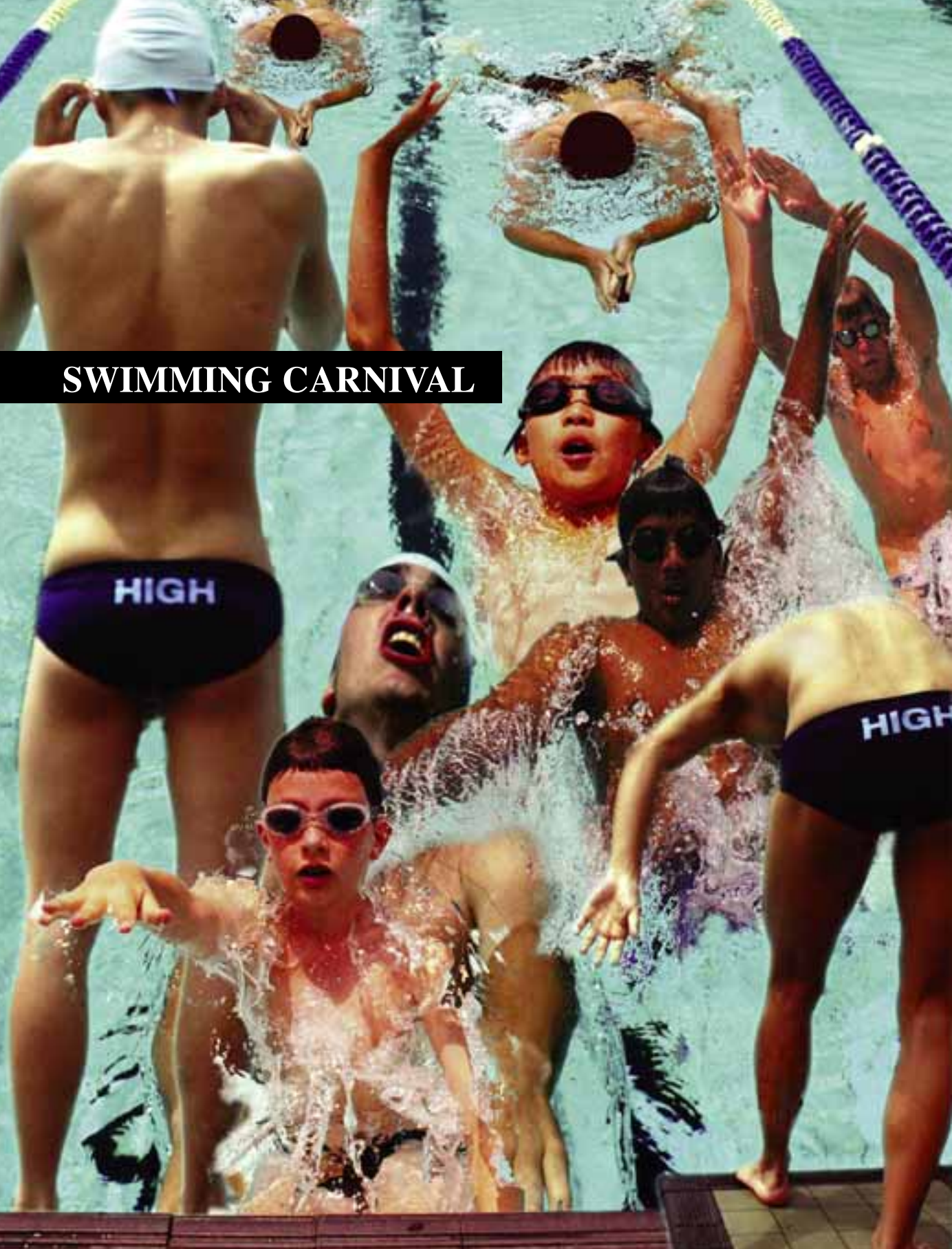
**CRICKET**



A large group of rowers, mostly young men, are on a body of water. In the foreground, several rowers are standing in the water, some holding up trophies and others with their arms raised in celebration. They are wearing various athletic gear, including tank tops and shorts. In the background, several rowing teams are in their boats, some with multiple rowers. The water is calm, and the scene appears to be a competition or a team event. The word "ROWING" is written in a black box in the upper right corner.

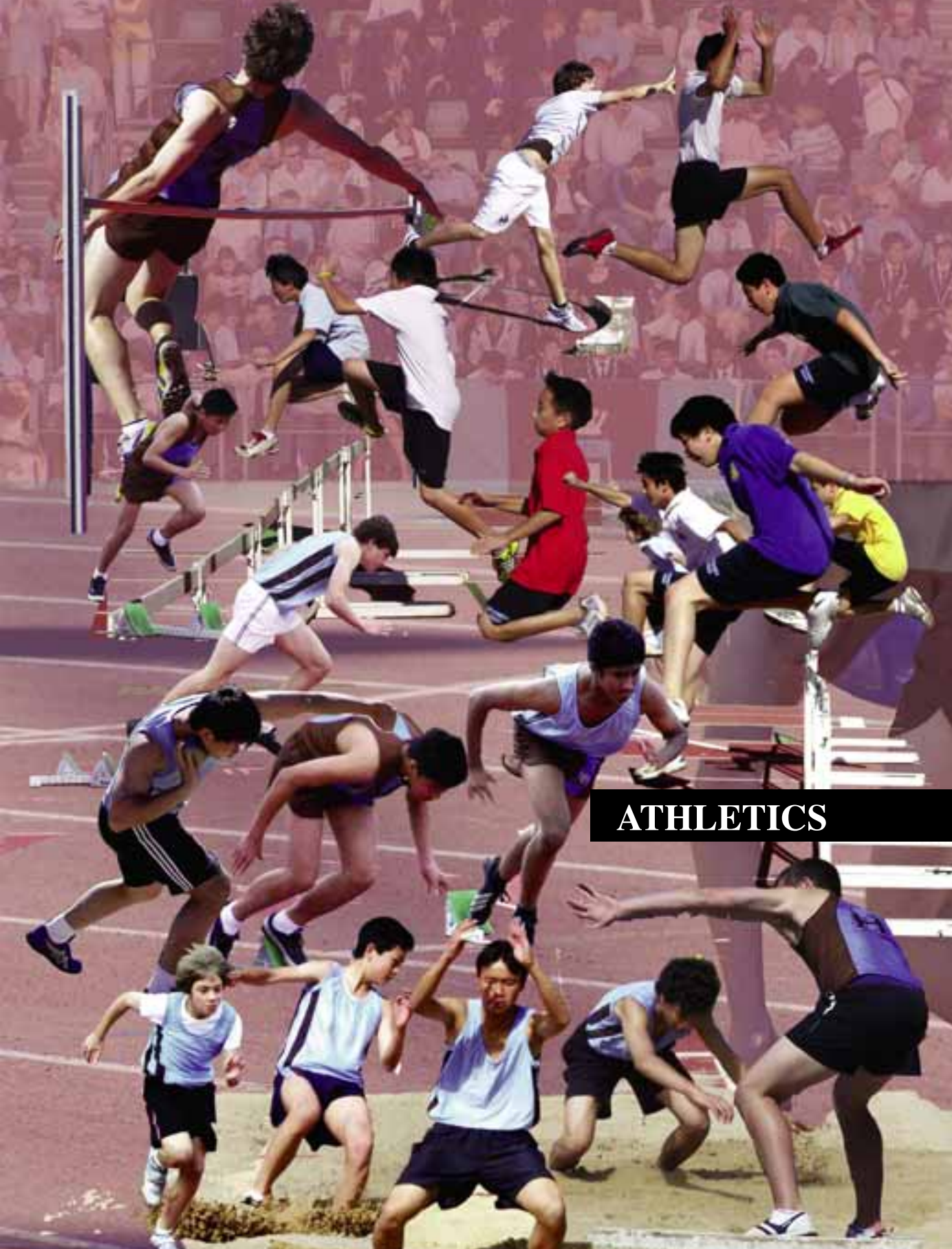
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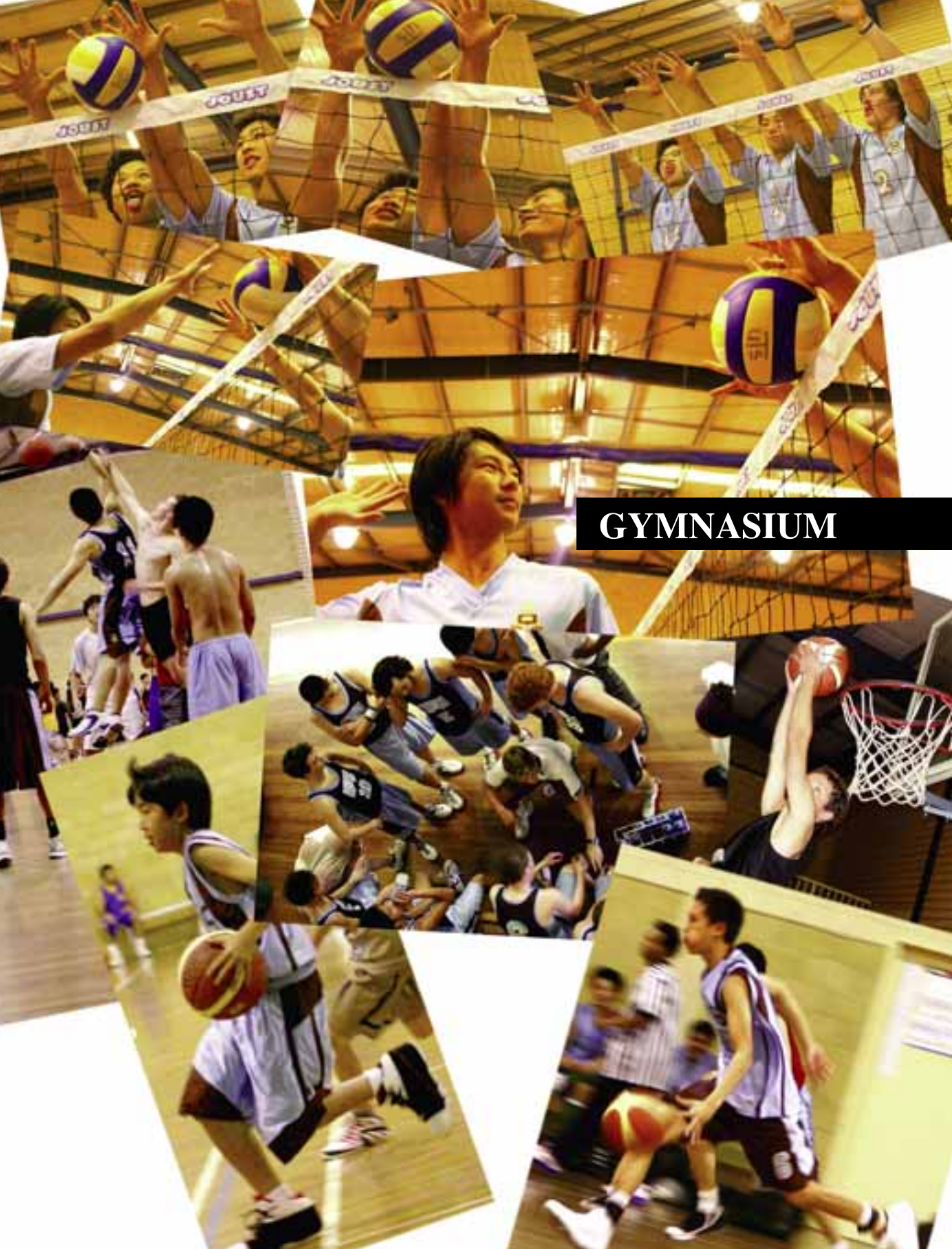
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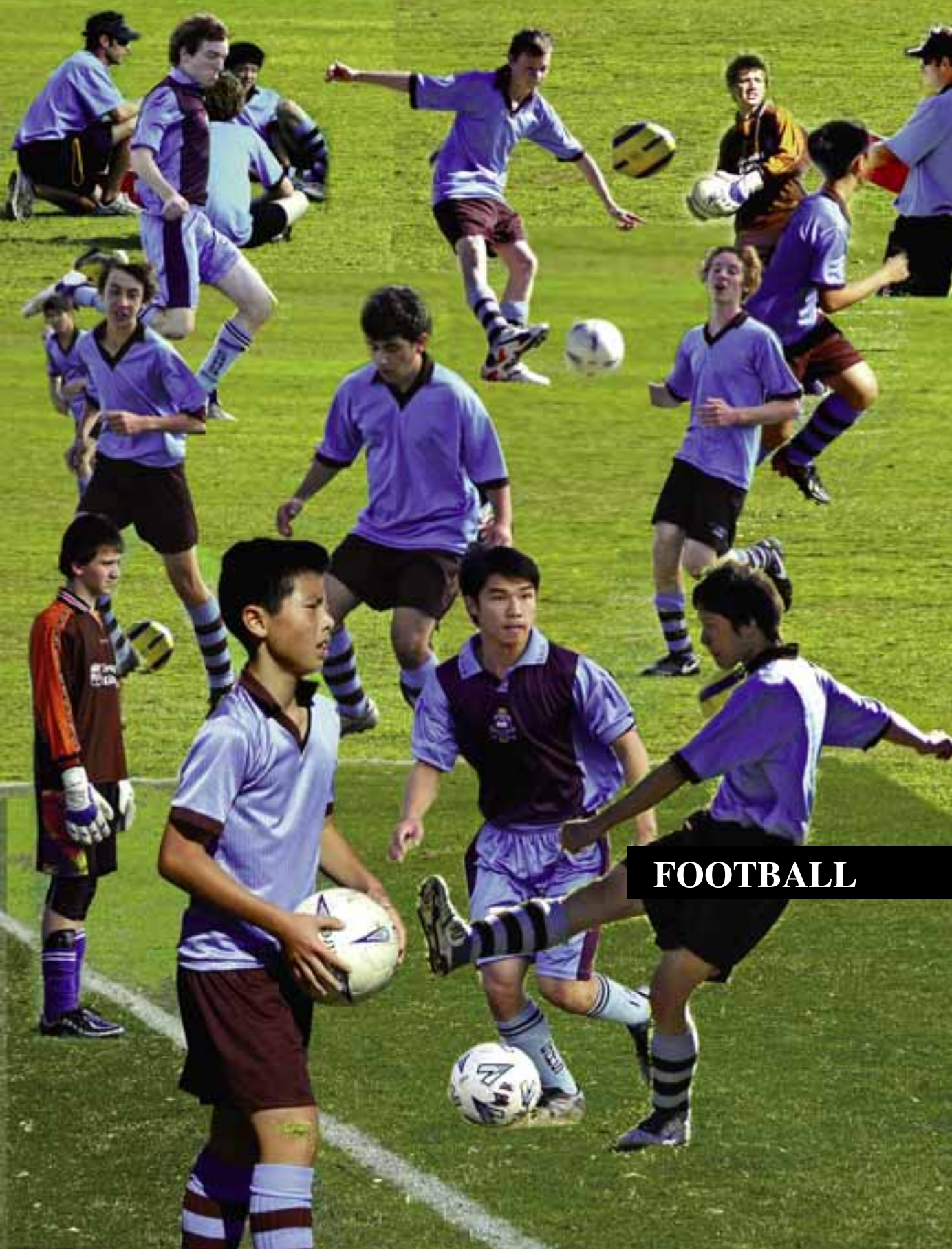
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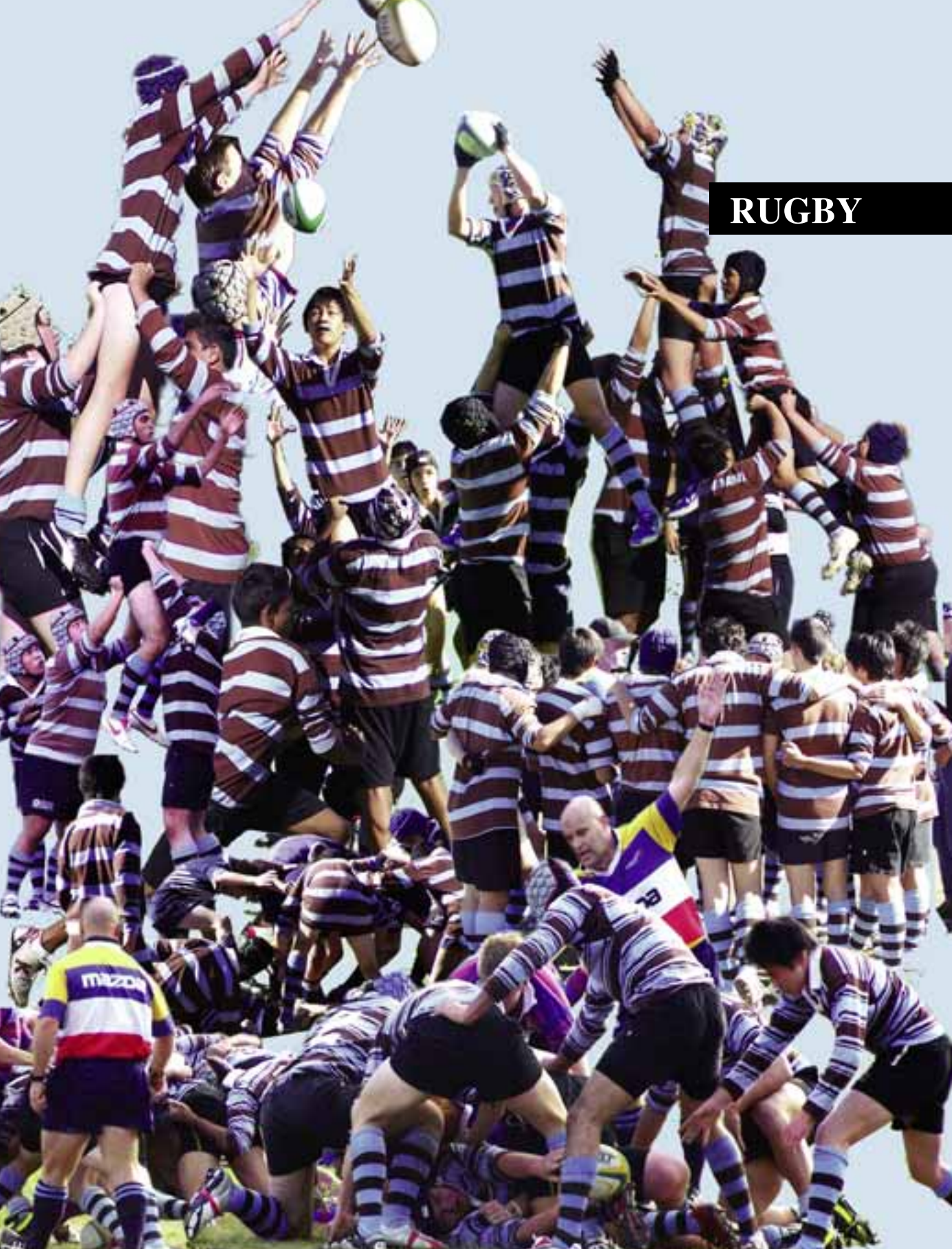




**FOOTBALL**



# RUGBY



# Music

This year has seen a busy but highly productive year for the music department and students in the music ensemble programme. The year started with the Senior Stage Band, Encore nominee James Mackay (alto sax) and Encore performer Paul Pang (piano) stunning the audience with their outstanding musicianship on Speech night. The Music Recruitment night welcomed a large number of Year 7 students into the ensemble programme. Many of the musically experienced Year 7 students immediately joined our various bands, with a number of keen beginners making up Training Concert Band and Training String Ensemble. Just before Term 2 began, Training Band camp was held at school, with approximately thirty five Year 7 students participating. The camp culminated with their first concert as an ensemble for family and friends in the Courtyard.

During Term 1 many ensemble members were kept extra busy as they prepared their music and developed marching skills for the Anzac Day March. Led by Drum Major Anthony Ho, they made an impressive sight as they strode in step through George Street. Anthony's leadership of

the large contingent of SBHS Marching Band was outstanding.

The Annual Music Camp this year was held at the Yarramundi Conference Centre in Springwood with over 200 students in attendance (from twelve different ensembles) accompanied by around 20 tutors and teachers. The intense three-day camp of learning and refining new and old works also resulted in a brilliant 'end of camp concert' held in the Great Hall on the final evening. The students entertained the audience with an incredible array of styles and demanding repertoire. A Jazz workshop where students worked again with professional Jazz musicians on improvisation and performance techniques preceded the fun-filled Cabaret Night featuring professional ballroom dancers who provided added entertainment and encouragement to parents to join in the dancing.

At the start of Term 3, the SBHS Winter Festival took place in the Great Hall. This concert featured all the large ensembles (Training, Intermediate and Senior Concert Bands, Guitar Ensemble, Junior and Senior String Ensembles, Symphony Orchestra) and Year 12 soloists Wayne Wang, Aaron Tse (piano) and Chapman Siu



## GPS Music Representatives

**Back Row:** D.Shi, N.Lieu, I.Cerecina, N.Uddin, K.Mickovski, J.Sutton, T.Wilson, L.Brown, M.Mehmedbasic, I.Nadkarni, T.Li, T.Rosengarten, M.Sun, A.Ho.

**Second Row:** Ms S.Lim (Co-ordinator), E.Wong, K.Lin, G.Truang, Y.Wong, D.Wong, R.Ji, W.Wong, M.Wong, B.Li, L.Deacon, W.Nguyen, K.Dutta, S.Zhang, T.Siu, T.Burston, A.Kim.

**Front Row:** V.Sharma, S.Beston, G.Minithantri, M.Wong, T.Mai, J.Han, A.Yeung, G.Niu, N.Kwok, A.Thomas, W.Liu, V.Shah, A.Blomberg.

(trombone), and James Mackay (alto sax) featuring with the *Diminished 5ths*.

Term 3 also saw the Second Great SBHS Piano Competition. This attracted many piano students from Years 7 - 12. The winners were:

Junior: Allen Parameswaran and Senior: Zhi Zu

Meanwhile, Year 12 Music students attended composition workshops, having their works played and discussed by a leading Australian composer, the jazz group *Diminished 5ths* performed at the Sydney Opera House in the 2007 *Sydney Region Music Festival*, the Junior Stage Band performed at Parramatta Park as part of the Annual Music Festival, Year 12 performed solos at Eastgardens for Education Week and *Diminished 5ths*, the jazz ensemble enjoyed success at the Surry Hills Festival. The Junior Stage Band and the *Diminished 5ths* also performed in the John Morrison Jazz and Stage Band Festival on the 9th September, with the *Diminished 5ths* taking first place.

The GPS Music Festival, which has participants from all the GPS schools was held on September 1st at The Kings School. Seventy two Sydney High students represented the school in all ensembles - concert band, orchestra, choir and stage band.

The HSC practical exams were held in September with five students being nominated for the prestigious Encore Concert. They were Aaron Tse Music 2/Music Extension (piano), Wayne Wang Music 2/Music Extension (piano), James Mackay, Music Extension (alto saxophone), Zhi Zu Music 2 (piano) and Muhamed Mehmedbasic Music 2 (double and electric bass).

The Spring Music Festival saw all the large and small ensembles perform new and difficult repertoire with great assurance and confidence. As in previous years the Concert in the Courtyard was an informal concert given by the Stage and Jazz Bands after an intensive morning workshop. Families brought picnics and sat in the courtyard enjoying the music, the warmth and the company of like-minded families.

The Music Assembly was held to acknowledge the hard work and successes of students in the music program. Year 11 students were awarded the highly regarded Music Pocket - a tribute to five years of early morning rehearsals, practice and performance. The Marching Band

and GPS students were presented their awards and Year 12 Encore nominated students performed for the assembly in ensembles and as soloists.

Towards the end of the year the P&C Art Show had musical contribution from many students. The Music Awards Dinner followed, and recognised the students' participation throughout the year.

It has been a busy and successful year, with the music staff ensuring the boys have many performance opportunities in the school and in the community.

## Music Awards Assembly

*[The following is an edited version of the speech given by the Principal at the Music Assembly.]*

Special guests, Kee-Shaun Sae-Leo and Ms Voula Manos representing the Commonwealth Bank, members of the Music Committee, staff and students, welcome to our inaugural Music Assembly. It is customary at High for major activities to have an assembly dedicated to honouring them. Given the broad participation in performance music at our school, it is fitting that music should have its own celebration.

I believe we have undervalued our music program in recent years. Today, we recognise the important part that music plays in the life of our school. The number of students studying music to the HSC level has trebled this year and is set to grow higher in 2007. A glance at the back page of the program will give everyone a better idea about how much activity is organised by our music staff.

This year the school has taken on the responsibility of employing the tutors that develop the musical skills of individual performers. There were more than we realised and the complexities of tutoring arrangements were quite taxing on staff and tutors. I believe we have settled into a more streamlined model for 2007. Thank you to the Music Staff and Ms O'Hare for their work in getting this new mode of operating established. We aim to have a tighter communication process in place in 2007 so that music to be performed can be included in individual music lessons.

Debra Gilmore, Rita Miller and Suzanna Lim have put in a great deal of effort to support both the academic and performance music programs

this year. Mrs Katherine Deacon continues to work tirelessly with a small band of helpers to raise funds for the program. I thank the Music Committee on your behalf for their support.

High has produced many good musicians and the greater part of our assembly should be about honouring their efforts. I congratulate those boys being recognised today and urge them to continue their efforts in musical training and performance.

Dr K Jaggard, Principal.

## Senior Concert Band

Despite a delayed start due to the Marching Band rehearsals in Term 1, Senior Concert Band for 2007 got off to a good start learning music in Term 2, followed by the annual Music Camp at Yarramundi in week six which culminated in a wildly successful concert. The band played pieces such as Saucedo's *Windsprints* and Saint-Saens' *Danse Bacchanale*. Shortly afterwards, on 16 June, the Cabaret Night was held, and the band quickly learnt some groovy jazz numbers and combined with the Senior Stage Band for a few sensational numbers during the night.

After Cabaret Night, the focus moved onto the next concert. The band demonstrated its versatility in diverse musical styles by shifting from jazz to demanding band repertoire, in preparation for the Winter Music Festival. This is the last chance each year for the Year 12 students to perform with the ensembles. Wilson Wong (F Horn) performed solo horn with the band in *Sweet Hour of Prayer*. Special thanks to all the Year 12s who have given up their time in their HSC year to come to band: Jason Kok (Clarinet); James Mackay (Alto Sax); Wilson Wong (French Horn); Chapman Siu (Trombone); Lachlan Deacon (Trombone); and Joshua Freiman (Tuba).

After this, there was a brief hiatus because of the HSC Music marking period, but the Band is still actively rehearsing in preparation for the Spring Concert in November, where we will play Haydn's *Trumpet Concerto* and Ticheli's *Shenandoah*, a program spanning two centuries of music.

Overall, playing in the Senior Concert band in 2007 has given many students the opportunity to perform challenging music in a premiere ensemble.

Thomas Wilson, Year 10.



### Senior Concert Band

**Back Row:** L.Aylmer, G.Deacon, T.Siu, C.Siu, I.Nadkarni, L.Brown, T.Wilson, T.Li, C.Katsikaros, A.Shapilsky, T.Rajendram.

**Second Row:** W.Wong, R.Ji, J.Kok, A.Blomberg, T.Rosengarten, M.Sun, A.Kim, M.Wong, D.Shi, A.Ho, A.Thomas.

**Front Row:** M.Wong, N.Kwok, J.Chan, M.Phillis, J.Mackay (Band Leader), M.Phong, M.Rozsa, T.Mai, Z.Zu.





**Symphony Orchestra**

**Back Row:** Z.Zu, N.Lieu, T.Wilson, A.Blomberg, T.Siu.

**Second Row:** S.Zhang, G.Truong, K.Lin, T.Li, M.Wong, D.Wong, Ms S.Lim (Co-ordinator).

**Front Row:** J.Han, A.Yeung, L.Aylmer, K.Mickovski, B.Li, M.Wong, W.J.Liu.



**Intermediate Concert Band**

**Back Row:** H.Sit, J.Tang, E.Ovadia, A.Gong, A.Ghose, T.Chiem, Y.Wong, B.Cheng.

**Second Row:** E.Du, G.Deacon, R.Ma, J.Petrie, R.Gu, B.Cheng, I.Eveleigh, M.Rozsa, C.Tin-Loi, D.Gorey.

**Front Row:** I.Bonch-Osmolovskiy, R.Woo, R.Kamal, K.Sivayogarayan, M.Phung, S.Beston, D.Chan, C.Do, G.Garayalde.



**Senior Stage Band**

**Back Row:** C.Siu, M.Mehmedbasic, L.Brown, I.Nadkarni, A.Paul.

**Second Row:** M.Rozsa, M.Fong, T.Siu, A.Ho, I.Cerecina, W.Wong, L.Aylmer, J.Chan.

**Front Row:** Z.Zu, G.Deacon, S.Lou, J.Rajendram, J.Mackay (Band Leader), M.Phung, A.Thomas.



**Junior Stage Band**

**Back Row:** L.Lu, M.Rozsa, Y.Wong, M.Cameron, E.Ovadia, T.Chiem, L.Sheldon, I.Eveleigh.

**Front Row:** R.Kamal, G.Deacon, J.Petrie, D.Gorey, M.Phung, K.Sivayogarayan, R.Woo

## Junior Stage Band

In the Junior Stage Band we perform at a range of events from school functions such as Assemblies and Showcases to regional competitions like the 'John Morrison Jazz Festival'. The Junior Stage Band meets every Friday at 7:30 am with the talented Ms Rita Miller conducting. They are regularly involved in workshops with professional jazz musicians and play at Cabaret night, one of the most enjoyable nights of the year.

Junior stage band is a lot of fun and gives the young musicians of the school a chance to experience and explore a diverse and fun style of music away from the classical concert style. Jazz band is a great way to start the last day of the school week and is something we all look forward to. The music is of a very high standard and taps our talents to the best of our ability. With a great range of musical instruments Ms Miller and the band always have a wonderful time on Friday mornings making music.

Cameron Morrison, Year 8 trombone.

## Marching Band

With over 90 High students participating in the march on ANZAC day there was no doubt 2007 was the most successful of all years at High. Comprising of members from the different concert bands, the marching band rehearses twice a week in Term 1 to prepare for the final day in the city march under the leadership of the Drum Major.

This year, the band was privileged to have Matthew Capper, an Ensign of the Royal Australian Navy as the Band mentor. It was through his expertise in the field that the band was able to augment its reputation as one of Sydney's finest school Marching Bands. The performance on the day generated much attention in the media and on the streets, all of which would never have existed if it weren't for the continual effort and dedication to the program by Music teachers Ms Gilmore, Ms Miller and Ms Lim.

With standards set, newer equipment and new goals targeted, Sydney High's Marching Band can only go up from 2007.

Anthony Ho (Drum Major).



### Marching Band

**Back Row:** R.Ji, M.Kim, M.Wong, D.Chi, E.Ovadia, I.Nadkarni, L.Brown, T.Wilson, A.Ghose, A.Leong, C.Katsikaros, T.Rosengarten, M.Sun, A.Blomberg.

**Second Row:** W.Wong, T.Chiem, N.Kwok, J.Petrie, H.Sit, R.Gu, B.Cheng, J.Chan, L.Aylmer, R.Ma, I.Eveleigh, M.Wong, M.Rozsa, T.Mai, W.Nguyen, C.Siu.

**Front Row:** Y.Wong, M.Fong, R.Woo, D.Chan, G.Deacon, M.Phung, I.Bonch-Osmolovskiy, A.Ho (Drum Major), C.Tin-Loi, S.Beston, K.Sivayogaran, C.Do, G.Garayalde, T.Siu, C.Morrison.

## Senior Strings

The Senior Strings ensemble of 2007 has flourished this year under the artistic and dedicated direction of Jay Hong and a full and stimulating calendar of concerts dictating repertoire required. Tutor Jye Hong has ensured that the technical aspects of performing as an ensemble have consolidated and strengthened over the year and his insight and knowledge of performance techniques and the music worked on has also secured a high standard of performance technique and crafted musical interpretation.

The ensemble has performed in many assemblies and concerts throughout the year. These include: 'processional' for numerous assemblies, processional for the Sir Roden Cutler Memorial Assembly, representing the school, performing for and welcoming prospective SBHS students at the main entrance to the school for SBHS Open Day 2007, performing as an ensemble item in the Great Hall for the SBHS Music Camp 2007 Concert (held at Yarramundi), performing as an ensemble item in the Musical Showcase Concert, the Music Spring Festival, and 'gigging' for an extended period during the SBHS Cadet Unit Annual Dinner. The repertoire studied during the year covered a wide range of musical genres and the pieces studied were always engaging, and at times presented the ensemble with a considerable challenge. The repertoire included: *Brandenburg Concertos No. 2, 3, 5* (Bach), *'Clair de Lune'* (Debussy), *Londonderry Air* (Anon.), *Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring* (Bach), *Poco Adagio* (Saint Saens), *String Serenade* (Elgar), *St Paul's Suite* (Holst), *Concerto No. 8* (Corelli). The repertoire performed has been generally well-received, receiving a special vote-of-thanks from the incumbent Governor-General of Australia, His Excellency Major-General Michael Jeffery. The ensemble consists of Iain Wang (Yr 12) and Jeffery Leung (Yr 12) as ensemble First Violins, André Brokman (Yr 9) and Nathan Kok (Yr 8) as ensemble Second Violins (André and Nathan, however, very occasionally performed as First Violins), Julian Byrnes (Yr 10) on the Viola, Kevin Lin (Yr 8) on the Cello, and Muhamed Mehmedbasic (Yr 11) on the double bass.

The ensemble rehearses weekly, generally for an hour before the start of school on Wednesday mornings. Overall, the ensemble members have enjoyed and expressed appreciation of the new

skills and techniques learned under the guidance of Jye Hong and enjoyed rising to the challenge of meeting our busy performance schedule. All non-year 12 members look forward to continuing and strengthening the Senior String Ensemble in the new year and rising up once again to meet and exceed the challenges set by our performance schedule.

André Brokman, Senior Strings Ensemble.

## Training Strings

Training string group turns a normal dull Monday morning into an excellent beginning to the week. Under the expert guidance and tuition of Mrs Worthington, beginning violinists and cellists join together to play some marvellous musical pieces. On most mornings, we play a variety of different pieces ranging from simplified versions of famous composers' works to pieces written specially for beginners. However, if there is a concert approaching, we practice our chosen concert pieces to ensure perfection.

This was what we did for the recent Winter Festival, practising *Black Jack* and *Slavonic Dances*, our two concert pieces. It all paid off with our group playing these two pieces perfectly. We all enjoyed playing in front of a large audience.

On behalf of the Training String group I would like to thank Mrs Worthington for her dedication for giving up her time every Monday morning to teach us, and also to everyone involved in the Music department who has made the Training Strings group possible.

Christopher Chiam 7M.

## Jazz Ensemble

The Sydney Boys' High Jazz Ensemble (or *Diminished Fifths*) was in its second year in 2007, playing once again at old venues and performing new shows in and around Sydney. The group also developed a more versatile line-up than the previous year, switching between quartet, quintet and sextet - each with their own unique sound.

From the horn section came the sounds of James Mackay's virtuosic saxophone lines, the expressiveness of Alex Vertoudakis's trumpet and the jazzy tone of Chapman Siu's trombone. The rhythm section consisted of Ivan Cerecina on guitar, Muhamed Mehmedbasic on bass and

Ashwin Thomas on drum kit, and kept everyone in the audience tapping their feet.

The group performed again at the Sydney Region Music Festival, filling the Sydney Opera House concert hall with the infectious groove of Marcus Miller's *Run for Cover*. The piece featured solos from every member and gave the crowd a combination of energy and groove.

Playing at the John Morrison Band Competition in Penrith was a new experience for the ensemble, with formidable opposition from Manly Selective High School. Sydney Boys' High however managed to win first place with superior communication and stylistic interpretation.

The reduced version of the ensemble consisting of rhythm section and saxophone performed at the Surry Hills Festival, drawing the crowd in with vigorous jazz/funk charts (and perhaps the esoteric clothing and headgear).

The ensemble would like to thank tutor Michael Gubb, whose instruction during rehearsals on Friday afternoons was a valuable contribution to the group's successes, and the music teachers, without whom most of the major performances would not have been possible.

Muhammed Mehmedbasic, Yr 11.

## Percussion Ensemble

It has been a fantastic first year for the new percussion ensembles at Sydney High. The ensembles began at the beginning of Term 2 and have been up and running since then before school every Monday (Juniors) and Tuesday (Seniors) by our marching band director, Matthew Capper. Percussion ensemble has been great and a real pleasure to turn up to because of Matt's enthusiasm and constant effort to make the rehearsals fun and interesting. We are never restricted to playing just one instrument and with the variety of percussion instruments available; each member is given the opportunity to learn different skills.

Each new piece we learn is different and challenges our musical abilities, and being part of a performance group, you learn to develop your ensemble and communication skills.

Thank you to the music committee for purchasing a new marimba which has given us the opportunity to further develop our mallet playing and finally, thanks to all the music staff who make percussion ensemble possible.

Guangzhi Niu 9T



### Chamber Choir

**Back Row:** T.Siu, N.Hayes, C.Katsikaros.

**Second Row:** Ms S.Lim (Conductor), V.Wang, K.Dutter, N.Uddin, A.Brokman, N.Kwok, J.Vuong.

**Front Row:** G.Minithantri, V.Sharma, D.Wang, M.Deng, E.Wong, V.Shah, W.J.Liu.



**Guitar Ensemble**

**Back Row:** *M.Jones, L.Gordon, R.Bi, A.Paul, C.McKay, A.Blomberg, C.Wong.*

**Second Row:** *T.Gollan, J.Castillo, O.Fio, W.Ho, J.Braverman, P.Simos, L.Li, N.Bhagwat, N.Adel, P.Pannila.*

**Front Row:** *A.Ceh, H.Heo, L.Feng, R.Kamal, D.Wei, D.Wang, K.Visvaa.*



**Year 7 Musicians**

**Back Row:** *ELu, S.Renzenbrink, T.Ling, K-Y.Wong.*

**Third Row:** *E.Ng, B.Hillier, T.Iyer, S.Marques, B.Wilcox, J.Yao, H-T.Lin, Y.Wu, S.Pak, D.Zeng.*

**Second Row:** *A.Brokman, Y.Han, E.Mehmedbasic, S.Do, T.Funston, T.Connolly, L.Fang, A.Fong, L.Zhao, J.Zhou, M.Chan, M.Birch, J.Edgton, Ms S.Lim (Co-ordinator).*

**Front Row:** *K.Visvaa, C.Chiam, F.Neng, J.Vuong, J.Tsai, V.Chen, L.Nguyen, S.Fletcher, W.Yeung, D.Foo, L.Katupitiya, S.Prusty, D.Sabharwal.*

# Chess

The Chess Club again ran weekly tutorials this year. These lessons are extremely popular with the boys and are taught by our Coach, old boy Mr Alex Feldman. In January we sent a team to Canberra for the Australian Junior Chess Championship.

We have elected a Chess Parents Committee. The president/leader is Alan McCrea-Steele.

The School entered one senior, three intermediate and four junior teams in the NSW Junior Chess League Secondary Schools Competition. Senior and Intermediate A teams both won their respective divisions. Our Junior As defeated Grammar in the Metropolitan East region final. They went on to win the NSW title. Out of eight teams entered (in eight divisions) we won five divisions, which is an improvement on last year.

On 18 September we hosted and won the unofficial GPS Championship. The CAS v GPS match was held again this year. Jason Cohn, Oleg Koudashev and Johnny Shih were selected for the GPS divisional team.



*Inter-school competition.*

Sydney High won both the Open and Junior Divisions in the Scots College Invitational Tournament.

C.Harvey, MIC



## Chess

**Back Row:** B.Encel, A.Ghose, A.Saunders, J.Shih, N.Slinko.

**Second Row:** L.Sheldon, H.Sit, R.McDonald, D.Shurapey, W.Santucci, D.Nguyen, S.Danziger, E.Naoumov.

**Front Row:** A.Nguyen, E.Mehmedbasic, D.Shi, O.Koudashev, I.Bonch-Osmolovskiy, A.Weinstock, A.Xu.

# Debating

## Debating Assembly

Good afternoon special guest, Oscar McLaren, staff and students - welcome to our annual debating assembly. It is customary for us to acknowledge our traditional GPS connection by holding our assembly on the eve of our first competition round. I wish the team the best of luck in their defence of the Premiership. The Louatt Shield looked good in the foyer. Our Hume Barbour Debaters have made it to the state final this year after two years in the wilderness. Kelvin, Michael, Blaise, Anthony and Dominic as our senior debaters are carrying on in fine style what is an enviable tradition of high school debating. We all wish them well for next week's debate. With three CHS representatives at High this year, their quality has already been tested at state level. Our boys have always been prepared to give up a lot of time in preparation and to compete over a long season at inconvenient times in order to represent their school at debating. Their commitment is admirable. The Karl Cramp team has passed its first test at the zone level. The atmosphere among debaters is buoyant.

More than anything else success in debating relies on teamwork. The team has to work rapidly, cohesively and effectively in order to present a convincing argument and persuasive supporting examples to their audience. The best teams we have had have been made of individuals who bonded well together and placed team goals ahead of individual virtuosity. In the prep room agreement on lines of argument have to be rapidly and cooperatively decided. Individuals have to support and show faith in the abilities of the colleagues.

The influential TV journalist and experienced interviewer, Diane Sawyer, provided a good insight into foundation debating skills when she said: "I think the one lesson that I have learned is that there is no substitute for paying attention". Good debaters listen intently to what the other speakers are saying and if they think of a useful rebuttal idea, they write it down for their appropriate speaker. Inattentive teams who chat among themselves frequently miss key statements by the opposition, strong or weak, and may put themselves at a disadvantage as the momentum of persuasion of the contended issue flows back and

forth with each speaker. Acute listening skills really assist debaters to succeed.

Debating as a co-curricular activity has attracted a very large number of participants and is now a year round activity. This year we experimented with a different junior school debating model. We had junior boys attending lectures by teachers on general issues that would be addressed in topics selected for competition debates. Junior school coaches have worked with many boys to prepare them for competitive debating. More boys have had opportunities to represent their school at debating than ever before. To be a good debater requires dedication over a reasonably long period of time. Thomas Edison the great American trial and error inventor asserted "The three great essentials to achieve anything worth while are, first, hard work, second, stick-to-itiveness, third, common sense." I exhort our junior debaters to stay involved with the activity and to work with persistence to build their skills. Their patience will be rewarded with greater self confidence, better communication skills and a great deal of material of personal development value.

As usual, the Debating Supporters Group, a sub-committee of the SBHS P & C has done a fine job. Craig Phillis and Angela Pal in particular must be congratulated for their efforts on behalf of our debaters. I would like to thank Jocelyn Brewer for her energy and professionalism in developing debating at High over the last couple of years. It has grown in participation, organisation and discipline. There will be a change to our debating model in 2008 with the splitting of the junior and senior programs. We will be looking to have a junior school development model under a Debating MIC and a senior school competitive model under a Coaching Coordinator.

This year Public Speaking has had a more distinct identity as an activity in its own right. Ms Howland has organised individual entrants to competition and appropriate coaching. Our boys do well and we have had successes in the past but Kelvin Yu can attest to the fact that public speaking is a highly competitive and demanding discipline. I encourage more of you to take on this very individual but rewarding activity.

Our guest speaker today, Oscar McLaren, was an influential member of the strongest team High



has produced in at least a decade. They achieved the rare double - Louat Shield GPS and Hume Barbour CHS. He was a member of the CHS team which beat both the GPS and CAS teams. Oscar was also a great listener. He could analyse and succinctly state the spine of the opposition's case. At third speaker he would argue cogently, authoritatively and convincingly that the opposition's case was flawed and that his team's line was impregnable, even if he had to defend a proposition that the earth was flat. He was at the University of Sydney where he completed an Arts degree with a history major and is now studying law part time along with his work in the media. He has worked as a journalist on Stateline, reported on the ABC 7 pm News and the 7:30 Report. He spent 18 months reading the news on Triple J radio. Would you please welcome an up and coming face and voice about town, Oscar McLaren.

Dr K.Jaggar.

## **First Grade Debating**

**F**irst Grade 2007 consisted of Kelvin Yu (First Response), Dominic Bowes, from year 11, (First/Second speaker) and Michael Coutts (Third speaker).

The season, in the tradition of High debating, was outstanding, with the side two close decisions away from capturing both GPS and CHS titles. In a remarkable first, all three members of first grade were selected in the Combined High Schools (CHS) representative team, with Dominic debuting in First Grade and Kelvin and Michael returning to First and Second Grade, respectively. The CHS teams defended the NSW Representative's Debating Cup to retain the fabled trophy for a second consecutive year.

The season started off slowly, with teams and speaking orders shuffled around. The side was again coached by debating whiz, old-boy Hamish Nairn. Despite losses to arch-rivals Sydney Girls', the side got up over Reddam, Scots and Grammar to make the final of the competition, only to be trounced by a third-string Grammar side. We realised we had a lot of work to do to be competitive.

After solid wins in the CHS Hume Barbour competition with a Year 12 side that also including Blaise Prentice-Davidson and Anthony Morris, we looked forward to the Regional final against Sydney Girls' in NSW Parliament House. In a close debate, we successfully supported nuclear power as Australia's solution to global warming,



**First Grade (Hume Barbour) Debating**

*B.Prentice-Davidson, A.Morris, M.Coutts, K.Yu, Mrs B.Berger (Coach).*

ending years of frustration in the Hume Barbour, much to the delight of the strong High audience. After solid wins against Koorringal and James Ruse, we were into the State Final at the University of Sydney Great Hall against an able Smiths Hill side that had defeated North Sydney Boys'. As noted by Adam Spencer on Radio 702, whilst we were shooting for our 24th title, Smiths Hill was in their first final; it was clear who the neutral audience were supporting. After being wrong-footed on the topic, which ended up being about smacking children, we were pipped by a magnificent speech at third Negative delivered by Daniel Swain. After being presented, rather pointedly, with our trophies for being "losers", the dent in our foyer grows that little bit fainter. We turned back, a little disappointed, to the GPS season.

After a disappointing first-time-ever loss to St Joseph's, and a flat win over Barker in the pre-season, we knew we needed to improve a lot to retain the GPS Louat Shield. We worked hard over the holidays, preparing hundreds of topics. Our improvement was marked by a solid first-up victory over a St Joseph's side that was clearly surprised at our new found hunger. We recorded a unanimous 3-0 win on a difficult negative, opposing a democratically elected body to represent indigenous Australians. 1-0.

We fell flat again against Scots, with a topic on school league tables up in a week where the topic area was 'current events'; the convener obviously having a sense of humour no-one appreciated. Nonetheless we recorded a 3-0 victory in a dubious debate where one side argued for league tables, and the other argued for league tables with stars. 2-0.

In our first home debate, we faced a King's side that would go on to upset premiership favourites St Ignatius. Again on the difficult side of the topic, we successfully supported tying aid to environmental standards to win in a 2-1 split. 3-0.

With a Grammar boy in the Australian schools team, the GPS title had three leading contenders this year. Once again, we had a tough topic to contend with, being forced to support a US invasion of Pakistan. In spite of this, we got up for one of our best performances of the season in what the adjudicators thought was one of the "best school boys' debates" ever. Despite both High and Grammar coaches, the chair adjudicator and the audience thinking we had won, we were shattered

when we lost in an extremely close split, given for inexplicable reasons. Consoled by news of Ignatius' loss, we resolved to continue working hard throughout trials. 3-1.

The next two debates were a blur, with trial exams mixing with debating. We smashed Newington by a phenomenal nine points in opposing unrestricted police access to the records of social networking sites in a debate where Newington asserted Osama bin Laden had a MySpace and that he gave orders on it. Shore arrived thirty minutes late, but managed a spirited effort to lose in a close debate on allowing performance enhancing drugs in sport. 5-1. At that stage, St Ignatius had defeated Grammar, meaning our last debate would decide if we could claim the premiership.

So we prepared. Into the third week of trials, and deep into Year 11 exams, we were all exhausted. But the adrenaline, and the chance of defending a GPS title, kept us going. Packed with High and Riverview boys, the atmosphere at their auditorium is always fantastic, and one of the best debating experiences you can have in high school. High had not won against Riverview, away, since 1994, and had not won against them at all since the 2000. In an excellent debate, we negated the need for a national DNA database. After inching ahead all night, by the end of second negative we thought we had it in the bag. Then Toby Meagher, the Riverview third, gave one of the best speeches I have ever seen. In the end we lost in a close split, winning one adjudicator by three points, who felt Toby's speech had come too late to affect the result, and losing the other two by one point each who evidently had no such qualms.

Although disappointed at having come so close to both of the eventual co-premiers, and despite failing to exact revenge on GPS in the representative's competition, the Year 12's final school debate against CAS at Sydney Girls, a resounding win, was a great way to cap off six years of debating.

A huge debt is owed to wily super-coach Hamish Nairn who turned the rabble that lost to Grammar thirds into a real force in both GPS and CHS competitions. Although prematurely predicted last year, his retirement from coaching will be an enormous loss. The debating program has been hugely successful thanks to the brilliant organisation of MIC Ms Brewer, who has brought

a fresh attitude to the program since she began. Her loss will also be deeply felt. Ms Berger has again been at the forefront of organising Year 12 CHS debating, and we thank her for her tireless dedication. Thank you also to Anthony Morris who was our reliable fourth speaker, chairperson, and season supporter, and to all High boys who came to support us.

When Coutts and I were junior debaters we turned up every week to watch Hamish debate for First Grade, and we dreamed of one day becoming just as good as him. Now that we have experienced Firsts debating and Hamish has retired from coaching, it feels the wheel has come full circle. Although there has always been talk of establishing a 'High debating dynasty', it feels like it already exists. With First Grade developing a loyal band of supporters every week, I am confident these debaters will have their own chance to do the school proud. With Dom Bowes returning to a Year 11 side that this year won the CHS Karl Kramp title, and an undefeated Year 9 side on the cusp of entering senior debating, the future of debating at High looks positive.

Kelvin Yu.

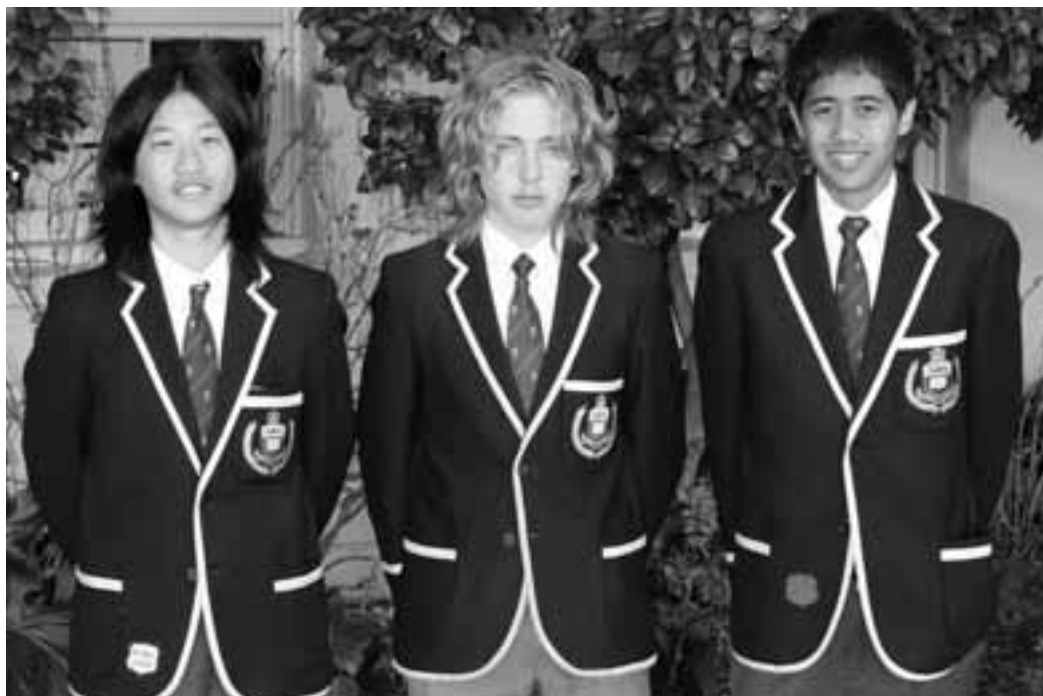
## **UNSW Invitational Debating Tournament**

The UNSW Invitational Debating Tournament held on March 18 was an enriching experience for those involved. This year, we sent six junior teams: three teams each in Years 7 and 8. It is great to see the enthusiasm of the new Year 7s.

All the Year 7 teams showed up, but two Year 8 debaters were unable to attend. Unfortunately, they were both from the same team, meaning it was left with only two people in it. Our fourth speaker, Michael Tickner, had to give up his place in our team, and debate for the other team. So our team consisted of only three members: Samir Kinger, Ashwin Rudder, and Nikhil Autar.

Our first debate was against Pittwater House 2. The topic was an interesting one: That car-pooling should be compulsory. This was a relatively easy win for us.

The second debate was against a Sydney Boys High Year 7 team. The topic was That 50% of seats in all political parties should be reserved for



### **Second Grade Debating**

*L.Tan, B.Prentice-Davidson, Z.Mancenido*



**Third Grade Debating**

*Y.Saleh, D.Wong, E.Montoya Zorrilla.*



**Year 11 Carl Kramp Debating**

*E.Montoya Zorrilla, D.Bowes (Captain), Z.Mancenido, L.Tan, Mrs B.Berger (Coach).*

women. The Year 7 team was a great example of budding new debaters that should go a long way this year. We managed to overcome them, to move onto the third round.

The third debate was a very close one. Our opponents were Killara High, who had also won both of their debates, and it meant that whoever won this would proceed to the final. The topic was That Australia is a good global citizen. In a very close debate, the momentum swung from one team to the other. The adjudicator was not allowed to give us the results until the finalists were announced, meaning we would not know who had won until that time.

We returned to the quadrangle for afternoon tea. The suspense began to mount. More time passed without it ever looking like the finalists would be announced. The suspense and nervousness continued to rise. About half an hour passed before we were finally called into the auditorium. At last they announced the finalists. The first was Pittwater House 1. And the other was...us!

The topic was That private schools should not get public funding. We were affirmative. As they

are a private school, this was sure to lead to an interesting debate. In the end, they lost it by repeatedly insisting that without public funding they would miss out on their "luxuries". We were able to win, with the five adjudicators voting 4-1 our way.

A thank-you must go to the other Year 8 debaters and parents who stayed behind and sacrificed their Sunday evening to watch us in the final.

Ashwin Rudder.

## **Year 10 Debating**

**T**he New Year ushered in a new debating coach, with Gabriel McManus taking over from Joe Suttie. Gabriel's no-nonsense approach meant that we were soon working on the things that are important: general knowledge and technique. Before long, we were experiencing the first debates of the season.

While we failed to win the Eastside Competition as we did last year, winning three out of five debates, this was more than made up for by the victory of our Year 10 team (made up of



### **Year 10 Debating**

*S.Hoang, A.Jurisevic, J.Byrnes, C.Katsikaros, L.Appleton, C.Evans, S.Garafano.*



### **Year 9 Debating**

**Back Row:** *D.Paperny, K.Taylor, A.Paul.*

**Second Row:** *L.Aylmer, M.Phillis, T.Davenport, C.Wong, J.Chan, P.Simos.*

**Front Row:** *R.Kamal, P.Baweja, O.Fio, J.Aclis, H.Schilling, A.Chawla, D.McCrae-Steele.*

Stephen Garofano, Anton Jurisevic, Julian Byrnes and Louis Appleton) in the UNSW Debating Day, which boiled down to a debate between our Year 9 and 10 A teams. A team consisting of Stephen, Julian, Anton and I also managed to place third in the UTS debating day. After this strong start it was back to more preparation for the GPS season.

Our Year 10A GPS team for 2007 included Stephen Garofano, Julian Byrnes, Anton Jurisevic and myself, while our B team was not fixed, with places being rotated every week. We worked steadily to improve our technique throughout the season, which seemed to have paid off. While we were defeated by King's and Newington, we performed solidly throughout the competition. Overall, we placed third in the tournament, though we equalled the run of the runner up school, winning five out of seven debates.

All in all it was a successful season for Year 10 debating. Our new coach proved to be a great help, with his advice helping us to concentrate on the technical skills needed to improve. Our teams were successful, and the season was greatly enjoyable.

Christopher Evans

### **Debating Year 9**

**T**his was a very successful year for Year 9 debating. Liz Ames was the coach for the Eastside and GPS competition, while Mel Brooks stepped in and coached those debaters who hadn't been selected for a GPS team, and continued to debate.

The season started with the Eastside Competition, in which Year 9 ran different teams each week, yet continued to win consistently. In the end, Year 9 defeated Sydney Girls High in the final and won the competition. The team for the final was Maxwell Phillis, Christopher Wong, Puneet Baweja and Antony Paul.

Throughout the season, Year 9 attended various debating events, such as the UTS debating day and the 'Democracy Week' debates. Year 9 sent three teams to the UTS debating day, and while each team won one of their three debates, they enjoyed the day and gained more experience. The 'Democracy Week' debates were held at Parliament House, and it comprised six debates, of which each team spoke in one. All the topics



**Year 8 Debating**

**Back Row:** *W.Stefanidis, N.Autar, S.Kinger.*

**Second Row:** *M.Tickner, M.Rosza, E.Ovadia, T.Gollan, N.Bhagwat, D.Wang, G.Panas.*

**Front Row:** *P.Castillo, R.Siddiquee, K.Sivayogarayan, M.Phung, L.Vlatko, D.Chan, A.Rudder.*

raised democratic issues, and each speech was strictly limited to three minutes. The debate was decided by the audience, made up of the student debaters from other debates, who voted for the winner. The audience also had the opportunity to ask the debaters tricky questions after the debate. A Sydney High team negated the topic “That gender equality should be at the heart of Australian democracy”, and won by a comfortable margin. This team was Maxwell Phillis, Antony Paul, and Justin Chan.

In the GPS, the 9As won all of their debates, winning them the competition. This team was Antony Paul, Maxwell Phillis, Justin Chan, Angud Chawla. The 9Bs, which consisted of two teams of four that debated on a rotational basis, won four of their debates. They finished in joint fourth place. 9B1 was Puneet Baweja, Christopher Wong, Oliver Fio, and John Aclis. 9B2 was Kieran Taylor, Daniel Paperny, Hayden Schilling and Tadeusz Davenport. There was also a 9C team, and this team was made up of the four debaters alleged not to have the required behavioural standards for an A or B team. For the sake of the

record, they were Declan Mcree-Steele, Liam Aylmer, Rafat Kamal, and Paul Simos.

In one of the last debates of the season, the 9B1 team decided to try an imaginative approach. The debate was against Shore, and the topic was ‘That APEC should be held in Canberra’. Sydney High was affirmative. The debate took a rough turn when Sydney High speaker Christopher Wong, who has perfectly good eye sight, wore a pair of Harry Potter style glasses (of which Oliver had found in the dirt that afternoon) for the duration of the debate. This prompted the Shore team to make only one rebuttal, being that this was a GPS debate and should not be joked around with. However, the Sydney High team ignored this, and carried on joking. The debate got even worse when the Sydney High team argued that Sydney was more of a “hole” than Canberra, and that APEC should therefore be held in our nation’s capital. This became the unfortunate main theme of the debate. To Shore’s disappointment and Sydney High’s surprise, the debate was awarded to Sydney High, partly due to Shore’s lack of rebuttal.

## Year 8 Debating

The 2007 debating season for year 8 has been very successful, with nearly 50 year 8 boys participating in Debating in 2008.

This year Will Clegg and Rose Grey coached us through the season, with Dr Finnie providing us with twenty fun knowledge workshops on everything from housing affordability, political parties and policies and the health care system. The extra coaching skyrocketed our general knowledge and ability to refute the opposition with key facts and figures.

In the GPS Competition both the A and B teams took out the unofficial title in their division (As equal first with Grammar, the rotating Bs winning outright). There were many highlights including the As win against Newington with a margin of one point, and listening to Joeys go on

about withdrawing 10000 troops from Iraq, presumably after deploying another 9500.

For the As - consisting of Michael Phung, Nakul Bhagwat, Michael Tickner and Samir Kinger - it was a competition of ups and downs, and test of ability and courage. A high intensity and standard of debating from all the GPS schools meant that the unofficial competition was not decided until the last round.

In the Premier's Debating Challenge, the team of Eric Ovadia, Tim Gollan, Nakul Bhagwat and Marcel Rozsa, had made it through to the State quarter Finals (at the time of writing).

We also attended the UTS Barker Cup, the UNSW invitational Tournament, The Hurlstone Agricultural High Invitational Debate and the Sydney University Schools comp.

David Chan.



## Year 7 Debating

**Back Row:** B.Wilcox, C.Stack, A.Purcal.

**Second Row:** A.Ceh, J.Koukouras, A.Weinstock, M.Chin, M.Birch, S.Saleh.

**Front Row:** S.Prusty, A.Khan, J.Vuong, C.Chiam, Z.Mohamed Rizvi, R.Sternhell, S.Prakash.





### GPS and CHS Representatives

**Back Row:** M.Coutts (CHS Debating), M.Fetherston (GPS Cricket), L.Street (GPS Football),  
D.Campion (GPS Football), J.Weight (GPS Football).

**Front Row:** M.King (GPS & CHS Tennis), K.Yu (CHS Debating), H.Walker (GPS Basketball),  
D.Gunaratne (GPS Cricket), G.Karunaratne (GPS Football).

# Summer Sport

## Summer Sports Assembly October 2007

**G**ood morning to staff, students, parents, coaches and our special guest, Mr Dean Uthoff. This is our third annual preseason summer sports assembly acknowledging the start this weekend of GPS competition for two sports - basketball and cricket. I would like to congratulate the two-dozen people involved in delivering the basketball program to 300 boys. Ben Hayman has put in a lot of effort and refined the coaching and training interface to produce a higher standard again for next season and has attracted some quality players to join our program. Pre-season preparation has been ramped up too. Thank you to Alex Hayman for his input into first grade and to the evergreen Vince Salomon for his tireless support to basketball over many years. Thank you particularly to George and Christina Chow and the basketball committee for their great work in financial management and kiosk operation. I hope to be able to increase provision of practice facilities on The Flat this summer. High levels of participation in sport are fundamental to our school philosophy. Inevitably, our basketball program will expand to meet the demand and match our competitor schools. To do this, increased resources - financial and physical - will need to be assigned to the sport. I expect our basketball teams to have competitive depth this year. In GPS competition I predict that first and second grade will win quite a few games between them.

The cricket program has matured also with our connection with Sydney University Sport and the Green Shield Competition. Under the expert guidance of Richard Ayre, Laurie Heil and Hugh Howey, a squad of committed and talented cricketers has been developed. We have the services of more expert coaches and more boys will be able to face accurate fast bowling in the nets courtesy of our machines. Younger students with talent and drive are staking their claims to represent the school in first or second grade. Our new cricket nets will come into their own this year with the construction of a shed to hold two bowling machines, making manoeuvring the machines in and out much easier. Thank you to

Laurie Heil and Ben Ingle for their work over the holidays to help support cricketers. The cricket participation is also expanding as students respond to the professionalism of the program. We are looking for more team managers for junior sides. We are increasing our financial and personnel commitments to broaden, deepen and enhance the enjoyment and satisfaction derived from sport at all levels.

In every competition the standard of GPS sport has changed since I have been Principal. It is not a matter of turning up to play. I think many more teams now expect better preparation from their members. You are doing the training for your team, to maximise its potential as much as to perform well yourself. Much more preparation is required by everybody, just to be competitive. We will be introducing training ligs for 2008 so that each boy will have a record of what regular training he has done prior to the commencement of the season he wishes to compete in.

This morning I want to share with you a story about preparation. Nigel Websdale, a rather unique trainer, once told an athlete that he was 'soft' but that he could be fixed with an alternative diet and a belief in his workout regime. The athlete believed that "two things we all need in life but don't get are direction and discipline." He took up the challenge from this eccentric conditioner. The diet was buckwheat, steamed vegetables, miso paste and ginseng tablets. The exercise regime revolved around a chin-up bar, doing lateral raises, chin-ups and leg raises not up to the chest but straight up to the bar. On the first day he managed just three leg raises. Three months later he was doing 10 repetitions of 20. He also did 'roller work' starting with a hand-held wheel and ending with the bumper bar of a car parked in neutral that he would roll back and forth in a kneeling position.

At the beginning of this period of training, the athlete found the routines very demanding and the results far from encouraging but "the thought of a new body to match a tougher mind was very appealing". In his self-talk the athlete would do 17 leg raisers and say 'that's enough - no one will know I haven't done 20'. However, his sense of direction prevailed and he mustered the psychological discipline to win those little battles with himself and complete the workouts set for

him. The athlete was Steve Waugh, already a test cricketer, recovering from a stress fracture in the back sustained in the 1989 Ashes tour of England. He emerged from the adversity of injury and recovery a fitter, stronger person than he was before he was injured.

This episode impressed me because of the exhibition of will power and focus applied to a physical conditioning program. As he described it: "the only person I needed to impress was myself". Your improvement physically is really predetermined by your mental conviction and desire to reach your goals. All of you who wish to represent your school need to develop these habits of mind, even if you cannot reach the same physical goals that a professional athlete like Steve Waugh did. A healthy diet and regular, challenging exercise will build your sense of well

being and 'core strength' the way it did for Steve Waugh. It only takes a few months for remarkable differences in performance to be achieved.

I welcome this morning Mr Dean Uthoff, NBL Hall of Fame basketball player. Dean played for Nunawading, Eastside Melbourne and Sydney. He played 260 NBL games and scored 3,755 points, with 3,369 rebounds and 725 assists. He is ranked third all-time in NBL for his 60% career field goal average. He holds the NBL's record for 34 rebounds in a game and the highest average at 18.5 rebounds per game for the 1984 season. Nicknamed the 'Man Mountain' (6'10"), Dean is supporting basketball as Sydney Kings Community and Development Manager. He recently ran the successful 'Kings Cup' attracting 29 teams. Please make welcome, Mr Dean Uthoff.

Dr Jaggar



# Cricket

## Cricket Master's Report

This season saw High establish 17 teams and as a result we are now ahead of Newington College and The Scots College in respect to participation and teams.

I was particularly pleased with the overall results and whilst our Senior GPS Teams had disappointing returns, our intermediate and junior teams introduced a competitive attitude and a genuine desire to be winners. We fielded eight teams from Year 7 and 8 and this bodes well for the future of cricket at High.

The number of Year 7 and 8 boys who competed on behalf of the School in the AAGPS Saturday competitions was returning to the halcyon days when the school had in excess of twenty teams which of course is the nursery leading to our senior XIs.

The 1st XI on paper was comparable with any other GPS School with two well earned victories but unfortunately as a team, the lack of consistency by some players affected our results.

### Cricket Results

<i>Team</i>	<i>Rounds</i>	<i>Won</i>	<i>Lost</i>	<i>Draw</i>	<i>Wash Out</i>
1st XI	7	2	5	–	–
2nd XI	7	–	7	–	–
3rd XI	7	1	5	1	–
4th XI	14	4	8	1	1
5th XI	14	5	8	–	1
6th XI	6	–	5	–	1
16A	7	1	6	–	–
16B	14	–	13	–	1
15A	7	1	5	1	–
15B	14	1	12	–	1
14A	7	1	6	–	–
14B	14	12	–	1	1
14C	14	11	2	–	1
14D	7	4	3	–	1
13A	7	0	7	–	–
13B	7	0	7	–	–
13C	7	0	7	–	–

The 2nd XI was a younger team than previous seasons and our inexperience came through when it was in a position to gain a winning edge. In fairness to our senior teams we are disadvantaged as the bulk of our training and match practice is on synthetic wickets which dictate a different approach to batting, whilst other schools have the luxury of turf practice wickets.

The 3rd, 4th and 5th XIs all produced wins and with the advent of the number of players registered we went with a 6th XI for the first time, with few GPS Schools able to provide matches.

However on the occasions that the Head Teacher of Sport had been able to arrange for fixtures we experienced difficulty in fielding a team due to late withdrawals and a lack of commitment by some of our Year 10 and 11 cricketers, which on occasions had boys from other teams doubling up in respect for the School's reputation. My thanks to Farhan Uddin and Eugene Stadnik who took responsibility to organize kit collection, scoring and management of the team on match days. Their efforts demonstrated the leadership skills that we come to expect at High. To all of the players who doubled-up on Saturday fixtures, a vote of thanks.

The inaugural in-house All Nations Cup round robin competition was conducted during the season with five teams made up of Year 7, 8 and 9 cricketers representing the country of birth of their parents. Teams represented China, Sri Lanka, India, Australia and Hong Kong and a further two teams will be added in the coming season from Pakistan and Korea. The matches were played over a full day in Term 4 with the Final in Term 1.

During the season we were involved in a variety of activities, with some highlights as follows:

- The 1st XI participated in the AW Davidson Shield but missed making the finals.
- Matthew Fetherston and Dakshika Gunaratne were selected in the Combined AAGPS 1st XI Team.
- Andy Liu won the Junior Cricketer of the Season Award for Years 7, 8 and 9
- The 14C Team won eleven of fourteen rounds which included one wash-out due to weather. Our best team performance.



**First Eleven**

**Back Row:** K.McPherson, D.Blavell, M.Coutts, T.Castleton, K.Sriranjan, D.Gunaratne, A.Naik.

**Front Row:** D.Vithanage, T.Rahman, Mr H.Howie (Coach), M.Fetherston (Captain), Dr K.A.Jaggar (Principal), G.Karunaratne, R.George.

- The Combined 14D Team won four of seven fixtures and illustrated the strength of our junior element
- 14A, 15A and 16A Teams all recorded wins in Term 1 after a number of close results in the previous Term fixtures.
- 4th and 5th XIs with Year 10 and 11 cricketers showed their adaptability and won in both the 30/30 and 20/20 concept matches.
- 6th XI stalwarts deserve special mention for their commitment to get the team on the field.
- All Nations Cup – won by China from Australia on the controversial last ball dismissal!
- Winners of the 2006/07 Barberis Cup vs Melbourne High, in the two match aggregate challenge.
- Coming up is the Australian Five Highs Carnival in Sydney in December 2007 with High as Hosts.
- High Invitation XIs played Tour matches against Southport High (Qld) and Cheltenham College (UK).
- Cricket Dinner and Award Night with 160 in attendance successfully planned and conducted by Sharon Davidson and MC Andrew Bowes.

My sincere thanks to our new team of coaches this season with Masters Hugh Howey (1stXI), Chris Koutesis (U16A) and Andrew Fuller (15A) taking teams and old boys Sam Samarasinghe (2nd XI), and Ani Rao (3rdXI), Dinuka Gunaratne, Malik and Tariq Razeen (13A, 13B & 13C). Not forgetting our fathers Roger Lindeback (16B), David McDonald (14A). Former School 1st XI Captain Viv Littlewood and Tom Bowes did a variety of team coaching and management tasks..

My thanks also to the Cricket Committee, the Parents of 1st and 2nd XIs, for great catering and to all team managers and scorers for your support.

Finally to Richard Ayre, the Head Teacher of Sport, who added unheralded support with specialty coaching, team management, umpiring and advice, my personal thanks.

Laurie Heil, Master in Charge - Cricket.

## First Eleven

Season 2006/2007 was one of unfulfilled potential for what was a vastly experienced First XI. Glimpses of the team's high standards and explosive power were seen at various moments throughout the year, however we were unable to sustain these high standards. As a result we were very competitive in all of our matches but never seemed to take crucial opportunities when they presented themselves or we would let our standards fall through a mistake in the field or through the loss of a wicket. We were victorious in two matches against Grammar and Newington but our season could have been very different had a few more things gone our way. Our apparent lack of outstanding success did not detract from what was once again a very enjoyable and fun season.

Our potential was on full display in the first match against Grammar. It took place at our adopted home ground of St Paul's Sydney University due to the unavailability of McKay, as the pitch was being rebuilt. We achieved feats that we never knew that we were capable of. After being in a slightly vulnerable position going into lunch at 5-84, large partnerships were had all the way down the order and we eventually declared at 9-349 after the dismissal of Fetherston for 194, who was supported by Gunaratne with 47, George with 25 and Vithanage with 28. With only a handful of overs left in the day, Gunaratne, after a fine batting display earlier on, was unleashed on the Black top order, claiming five wickets which included a spectacular hat-trick. While the damage had certainly been done on this day, we still needed to take five more wickets for victory on the second day. Grammar showed great spirit down the order to continually deny us their wickets but the carnage on the first day proved too hard to recover from. We claimed victory shortly after tea dismissing them for 237. Castleton was inspirational in taking four of the last five wickets. While outright victory had certainly been on the cards earlier in the day, it was now an outside chance with a handful of overs remaining. We were quite content with our first win for the season.

Saint Ignatius was the second game of the season and we were unfortunate to lose the toss on what was a typically good batting pitch at Riverview. As a team we were not focused in the

first session and bowled with a lack of direction which allowed them to compile runs with ease. The lunch break gave us time to refocus our plans and this resulted in a much more commanding performance. We restricted them to 267. This was definitely an attainable target however it was disappointing in the knowledge that if we could have bowled better in the morning session our situation would have been vastly improved. In chasing we were rocked by early wickets but the ship was steadied by Karunaratne who batted into the next week amassing 126 undismitted. Unfortunately Gehan's outstanding efforts could not quite do enough to capture a win and we fell a heartbreaking 23 runs short.

After two strong performances against two of the tougher opponents we came up against an equally tough opponent in premiership heavyweights St Josephs at Hunter's Hill. We won the toss and batted. Their opening paceman had us reeling early with four quick wickets. This was a collapse that was never recovered from. We pulled together a respectable total of 189 with the help of a 100 or so sixth wicket partnership between Fetherston (90) and Gunaratne (52). In response, Joeys declared after amassing an enormous 6-364. We looked dangerous early capturing three quick wickets however we came to accept the fact that Joeys were too good for us on this particular day. Strangely enough, while not being our most explosive bowling performance, it was definitely our most disciplined to date as we bowled a tight line all day and conceded minimal extras. They sent us back in midway through the second day to pursue an outright result. We batted with little application or grit however 67 not out from Fetherston provided some resistance and lower-order batsman Castleton showed tremendous determination to continually deny the Joeys bowlers his scalp. Rain and hail ended play prematurely and we escaped an outright loss.

The annual Five Highs tournament was an unenjoyable trip from a cricketing perspective as we were unable to chalk up a win and surrendered the Cec Rubie Trophy to Melbourne High. It was definitely a wake-up call that when the second half of the season came around, we would have to smarten up our act if we were to be any chance of being a premiership threat. A positive to come out of the tour was the continuation of Gunaratne's fine form. He intimidated all opposition batsmen

and was the sole representative from Sydney in the Carnival Team.

First game after the summer holidays was The King's School at White Oval, a game that we had to win to keep our premiership hopes alive. We won the toss on what proved to be a very interesting pitch. It was particularly favourable for their two top-line spinners. Many batsmen were looking good however they were unable to convert this form into runs. We were eventually dismissed for 125 with a patient 40 from Karunaratne and a quickfire 48 from Castleton. The King's innings was a frustrating affair with them just slowly chipping away at our meagre total. They passed it late in the day and sent us back in on a diabolical pitch which we survived for the loss of only two wickets. On the second day we had a chance to push for an outright victory after King's declaration the week before had opened the game right up. Once again we disappointed ourselves in a game where if a little more fight and application had been shown, then we would have definitely been a big chance of winning. They chipped away at our total once again and captured outright victory late on the second day.

With fading premiership hopes we faced The Shore School, in the fifth round, who had been one of the poorer performers during the season. It was to be our only game at McKay for the year and as such, it was a moment of great significance for the seniors. Unfortunately we didn't get the result we so desperately desired. We bowled well to restrict them to 147 on what was a brand new deck. Gunaratne and MacPherson picked up three wickets each. In the past this score had proved to be a par total on McKay which is known for its low bouncing wicket and slow outfield. Our chase seemed to prove this point with runs on the board being a crucial factor. We fell short with 112. Fetherston contributed 64. The Shore attack was definitely on task during this innings, in particular on the second morning where they cleaned up our lower order for very few runs. Shore batted again and took the contest out of the game by declaring at 3/171 - an unattainable 207 runs in front. The game was ended early after an outright result was not on the cards.

Newington was the penultimate match of the season. We won the toss on a good deck and had no hesitation in batting. All our batsmen were looking dominant however we seemed to make

bad decisions after having done all the hard work to get ourselves in. We made 137 with Vithanage making 35 and Michael Coutts making 25 on debut. In Newington's innings, Gunaratne was once again the star with the ball claiming 6-14 - single-handedly ripping apart the Newington top order. Castleton cleaned up the tail with a controlled pace bowling display, picking up 3 wickets. On the second day we set about pursuing an outright victory. We declared on 6-183 with Blaxell making 69 and Fetherston 35. In hindsight we probably batted on for a little too long but given our first innings performance, we backed ourselves to bowl them out swiftly. This was not to be and the match finished with New 5-112. Gunaratne claimed another 3 wickets and took his tally to 9 for the match.

The final match of the season was Scots at Bellevue Hill. Although neither team was in contention for the premiership, both teams were evenly poised on 15 competition points and vying for sixth spot on the ladder. We won the toss and batted in conditions that could have swung either way. Wickets fell early, however they were not really directly related to the conditions, rather we were getting ourselves out. Gunaratne and Naik dug in deep and resisted the fall of wickets. They showed tremendous mental toughness to resurrect our innings. Gunaratne went on to make 57 and was later supported by Castleton with 28. We finished on 194 and the rain set in and delayed play until the second week. Scots in their chase batted well. We took early wickets however we were unable to break a key partnership and this cost us dearly. To the team's credit, we didn't go down without a fight and made Scots work to the very end to pass our score.

At the conclusion of the season myself and Dakshika Gunaratne were chosen to represent the Combined AAGPS Cricket Team in the Lords Taverner's week.

A few thanks must be handed out. Firstly to Mr Howey in his first year as coach of the First XI, his technical guidance was much appreciated by all members of the open squads and his calm demeanour made turning up to training sessions and on Saturdays easy. Thanks must also go to Doug McPherson for his tireless work as scorer and to the effort by parents in supporting the players in the massive commitment that is First XI cricket.

Matthew Fetherston, Captain.

## Second Eleven

Season 2006-2007 will always be remembered as the season that should have been. With an experienced and talented line up, the Second XI should have been pushing for a top three finish with a premiership being an outside chance. Poor preparation and training throughout the season from the senior squad allowed our opponents to get the better of us every weekend.

At this point I would like to acknowledge the highly commendable commitment to training and school culture that was displayed by Arunan Kandasamy, Varan Perananthan, Blaise Prentice-Davidson and Matthew Coutts throughout the season, as well as Oswin Perera when he joined the squad later on. Had all areas of High cricket shown the enthusiasm for the game and the pride in the baggy brown and blue that these young men showed, then both First and Second Grade might have had a premiership to their names.

Varan Perananthan, Aditya Naik, Louis Yang, Matthew Coutts and myself were given the privilege of playing for the First XI this season. It has however been a pleasure to play cricket at High over the past six years. I thank the coaches of the junior cricket sides, the parents who supported on weekends (watching, scoring and preparing lunches and teas) and the current First XI coach Mr Howey for making the experience so worthwhile.

Michael Coutts, Captain.

## Third Eleven

Record: 7 Games – 1 Win, 2 Draws, 4 Losses

Grammar 9/166 (declared) drew with High 2/26 (rain prevented second day)

St Ignatius 6/229 defeated High 10/78 & 10/120

St Joseph's 5 /198 defeated High 10 /68 & 10 /86

Kings 10/232 defeated High 10/60 & 10/126

Shore 6/232 defeated High 10/60 & 10/80

High 10/129 & 6/116 defeated Newington 10/122

High 8/143 (rain stopped play) drew with Scots 10/203

There were a number of highlights in the Third XI season. The start of the season saw High against Grammar where Mihir Desai took an amazing 3/15 in just 7 overs. Against Saint Ignatius Ozwin Pererra and





**Second Eleven**

**Back Row:** *L.Yang, O.Perera, K.Lam, V.Perananthan, R.Karunaratne, T.Rahman.*  
**Front Row:** *A.Brown, N.Bangalore, B.Prentice-Davidson (Vice Captain), M.Coutts (Captain),  
A.Kandasamy, A.Naik, K.Rao.*



**Third Eleven**

**Back Row:** *D.Tse, N.Sridharan, M.Desai, R.Casey, S.Sheth, S.Karunaratne.*  
**Front Row:** *V.Sharma, T.Rosengarten (Vice Captain), Z.Harrison-Tikisci (Captain), S.Iyer, R.Sutton.*

Shereyas Iyer made fantastic scores (50\* and 42). The King's game saw an unbelievable 5/24 from Nirmal Sridharan and Third Grade's highest partnership of 59 runs from 11 overs produced by Shiva Sheth and Ziggy Harrison-Tikisci.

High pulled together for the Newington game with Ryan Sutton scoring 35 not out to give High the edge. Consistent bowling put pressure on the opposition batsmen having them 4/20 early on. A great throw from fine-leg by Kevin Lam to wicket keeper Nic Lochner, took the last wicket to give High a seven run victory.

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Thank you to the three year 10's (Brian Kelly, Keiran Taylor and Andy Liu) and also to Roshan Karunaratne who took three wickets and scored an unbeaten half century against Scots before rain stopped play.

Ziggy Harrison-Tikisci, Captain.

## Fourth Eleven

The 06-07 season was a true mixed bag for the Fourths. Of the twelve games there were four wins and eight losses. They encountered troubles early in getting a full side together and lost their first two games by ten wickets. They bounced back however with two victories in two weeks

Against Newington a solid effort in the field had them dismissed for just 67, Dominic Bowes chipped in with 3 for 3, Daniel Campion's 30\* steered the side home. The next week they eased past the Riverview Fifth XI by five wickets.

It was the game against Sydney Grammar that was the highlight of the season. The most ludicrous game of cricket took place as High won by nine wickets. After winning a good toss, High went out in the field. Tom Lindeback struck with the first, third, fourth, and fifth balls of the opening over. A hat-trick, and four wicket maiden. After

four overs Grammar had managed to reach 6-1, but after a stable partnership was all out for 14. Tom finished with 6-2 in an awesome display

In the context of the season it was Daniel and Tom that performed consistently. Both averaged above 20 with the bat, and Tom consistently struck with the ball. The efforts of James Ip late in the season also bolstered the side's batting skills. Gary Truong's commitment throughout must also be acknowledged. It was an enjoyable season and many thanks to the efforts of Coach Tom Bowes. Dominic Bowes, Captain.

## Fifth Eleven

There was much hype heading into the new season for this self-managed, somewhat social cricket team with High expectations of the season that waited. The first match seemed to live up to the hype after bowling Grammar out for 84, leading to a comfortable five wicket win. However after this match, complacency settled in to much of the squad and with training lacking intensity and most players not taking the season as seriously as they should have done, the downward spiral was inevitable. High managed to win only one of the remaining matches before the New Year. However something must have gone off in the players' heads during the course of the holidays as a new team emerged for Term 1 2007.

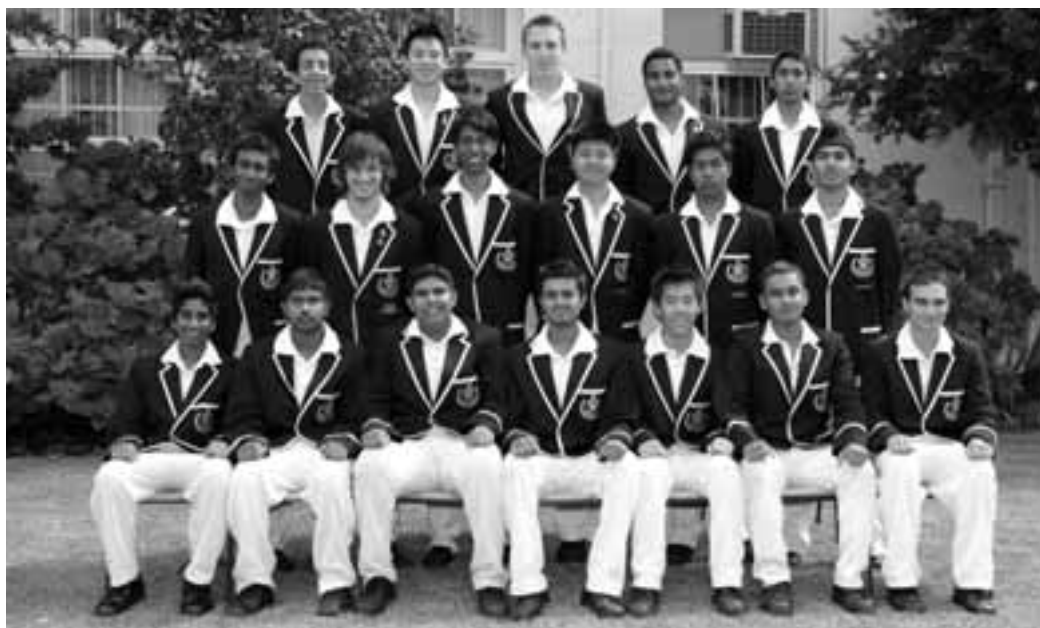
The New Year also saw the introduction of the "Fifth's" jerseys and hats. The team wore the jerseys with pride and everyone constantly performed while wearing the jerseys. Particular steps were taken to ensure that the jerseys were well-received by the opposing sides and no teams objected to them. The side won its first game back to what the players called "the real season", dismissing the last seven games as a trial run. Again the start to the season looked promising with the side bowling Kings out for 56 in a 20 over a side game, winning comfortably by 65 runs. However the next two matches saw the side lose their captain to Second Grade following a withdrawal from one of the grade players. The team tried hard in the next two games and was unlucky to come out losers in both games, losing by two runs and one wicket respectively. The presence of the captain may have changed things; at the least the team thinks so.



**Fourth Eleven**

**Back Row:** *D.Campion, L.Street, A.Taylor, P.Locke, J.Menzies, B.Lancaster.*

**Front Row:** *J.Hui, L.Deacon, T.Lindeback (Vice Captain), D.Bowes (Captain), A.Amin, J.Ip, G.Truong.*



**Fifth Eleven**

**Back Row:** *Back Row: A.Iskander, F.Jin, D.Norris, A.Jawahir, S.Hussain.*

**Second Row:** *O.Perera, N.Levanic, A.Surendran, M.Ng, N.Sridharan, G.Singh.*

**Front Row:** *R.Baskaran, R.Devapiriam, A.Husaini, R.Pandit (Captain), R.Jang, S.Azad, D.Isaaks*

Adnan Husaini must be acknowledged at this point for taking over the side, and generally taking on a very active role during the season. He took it upon himself to ensure that the jerseys were made for the side and all necessary payments were received. He has taken on a secondary captain and somewhat coaching role for this side.

The game against Newington towards the back end of the season ended in a 119 run a side draw despite some controversy towards the end of the game.

The final match of the season was to be played over two days, with each side facing 50 overs. High was modestly bowled out for a score below 75 runs but tight bowling caused the match to go down to the wire. The Grammar side was eight wickets down needing ten runs to win when an apparent inside edge to the keeper had the High boys in a complete uproar, only to be refused by the umpire.

The season that had been plagued with controversy in all the losses continued once more. Eventually Grammar won with one wicket left and a dropped catch on the final run. After the match the batsman in question was asked if he edged it, to which he simply replied "yes". In all the close losses throughout the season, there were many questions to be asked and in the end it can be said that it was simply an unlucky season for the boys.

Overall, it was a good performance by the boys. Thanks must go out to the boys that committed themselves: Matthew Ng, Raymond Jang, Radheshan Baskaran, Dexter Isaacs, Gurbaj Singh, Nick Levanic, Adnan Husaini, Arthavan Surendran, Richard Devapiriam, Frank Jin, Sabeeh Hussain, Dougall Norris, Shaihan Azad, Andrew Iskander and finally the captain Rommo Pandit, who was both the leading run scorer and wicket taker, making 177 runs at 22.12 and taking 18 wickets at 6.54. Radheshan Baskaran was the other standout for the year taking 15 wickets, and scoring in excess of 100 runs.

Rommo Pandit, Captain.

## Sixth Eleven

The inauguration of the Sixth XI team into the GPS Cricket Competition came about as a result of an increase in the interest in cricket as a summer sport by students. The team was established to allocate the excess number of players into a new group. This was seen by both the Cricket Master and the Sports Master as a new turn in High Cricket in which the school would now be able to field six open teams. It was something to be proud of.

However, due to certain circumstances, the team had remained unstable throughout the season. The team had fixtures set for matches to be played against The King's School, The Shore School, Saint Ignatius College and Sydney Grammar School. A full team was set during the first match against Kings. The High team was losing the match by being short of runs when batting in the second innings. The game was unfortunately interrupted and cancelled due to a theft that had occurred almost three quarters into the progress of the match. This incident had initiated a breakdown in the team which carried on through the season. Players had decided to leave the team.

Our second match with Shore was unfortunately forfeited due to the low number of players that had showed up at their venue. This was indeed a disappointment not only to the Shore team, but also to the Sixths players who did show up. They instead played for the other High teams that had matches against Shore at the same venue. Most of the Sixths players who showed up then, decided to leave the Sixths team and join these other teams seeing no hope.

The next supposed match with Saint Ignatius was a disappointment to the team members who showed up at the Riverview venue as this time the opposition did not show up even though the match was their home game.

In the upcoming final weeks of the season, a two-day match was organised between a re-organised Sixths team and Sydney Grammar which was the first home game down near Kippax Lake. This time, it was looked forward to as a list of volunteers from various other teams including the 16s was taken to ensure that High would be able to field a full Sixths side. However, only three players turned up at the start of the first day match. Despite this, we were determined to continue the

match as we began batting without any thought of forfeiting. We carried on normally and we pulled through quite well. Later on, a few more players showed up from the Sixths team and we recruited two extra players from the Fourth XI to play for us. We didn't let this small number of players pull us down, and we borrowed some players from the Grammar team when it was our turn to field. During the second day match the week after, we had six players to start off with which was an improvement compared to the previous week. In this final match, we played on and we enjoyed the game despite our number of players. Quite surprisingly, the Grammar team didn't show much signs of disappointment and also enjoyed the game letting us borrow some of their players during our fielding. They won the match with a slight victory admitting that we presented them with quite a challenge despite having only six players. It was the end of the season and we celebrated our commitment and enjoyment of playing a good game of cricket.

I hope the Sixth XI isn't looked down upon but seen as an inspiration to others for commitment and making the best of the situation in times of difficulty.

Ricky Ratanayake had shown himself to be an excellent batsman contributing most of our runs scored in the two day match against Grammar. He had originally been a player of the Third XI team. Hari Bhugubanda also contributed to our increasing number of runs and was an overall well-coordinated bowler. Our Year 12 player Eugene Stadnik displayed great skill being our wicket keeper. We would like to thank Cricket Master Laurie Heil and Sports Master Mr Ayre for their utmost support for and establishment of the Sixth Grade team. I would also like to thank the players who showed up to the matches and to the Fourth XI and 16s players who provided us with assistance in the final match.

Farhan Uddin, Captain.

## 16A Eleven

The season started with an inspiring win against Grammar as it was our first ever win in the 'A' grade. We had an excellent start in the field although we let them get away. Our batting performance was brilliant with two consecutive partnerships of 91 (between Nakul and Willy, who became the heart and soul of the



### 16A Eleven

**Back Row:** *H.Lane, A.Sharma, W.Lin, R.Saggar, C.Bakin.*

**Front Row:** *R.Kashyap, A.Kourtesis, N.Pednekar (Captain), R.Ahmed (Vice Captain), T.Lim.*

team) and 75 (between Nakul and Alasdair) with Alasdair playing a true Captains knock taking us home after Nakul, 118, put us into a position to win the game.

The next four games were quite disappointing for us, we gave it our all but the might of the other GPS schools was overwhelming with Joeys being our only game in which we came close however their batting attack took the game away from us. Although it was a gloomy period we were proud of Alasdair on being called up to Second Grade.

After a tough season, we were about to face Newington which was agreed by all to be 'our game'. Our bowling and fielding performance lacked the intensity that was needed to defeat Newington who were on top of their game. We experimented with a new opening partnership and it was going smoothly till the last ball of the day on which there was a 'misunderstanding' but we got over it quickly. As it happened, we lost convincingly but the second innings was quite entertaining with the Newington boys pulling their hair out as our top order provided some entertainment with some big sixes hit.

Scots was a different setting altogether, a new captain, new batting and bowling opening pairs and the knowledge that it was going to be our last game as a team. We got off to a great start with Roshan and Teng-Yin firing on all cylinders at the Scots boys. We rolled them for 120, after they had a good last wicket stand of 50-odd, with Roshan getting four wickets and Teng-Yin three.

With the bat, we had a poor start but Avindu and Hugo consolidated and got us to a position in which we could win the game but luck was not on our side and nor was the weather, with a storm setting in when we needed three runs to win.

7 Games Played: 1 Win, 5 Losses, 1 Washout

15 Players: William Lin, Razeen Ahmed, Nakul Pednekar, Alasdair Brown, Avish Sharma, Hugo Richards, Arthur Kourtesis, Harrison Lane, Roshan Kashyap, Timmy Lim, Anthony Hopkins, Raghav Sagar, Nicholas Lochner, Stanley Chin, Avindu Vithanage

Most Runs: 302 – Nakul Pednekar

Most Wickets: 8 – Teng-Yin Lim

Most Catches: 5 – William Lin

Most Stumpings: 1 – Hugo Richards

Highest Score: 118 – Nakul Pednekar vs Grammar

Best Bowling: 4/30 – Roshan Kashyap vs Scots

Grammar – Nakul 118, Alasdair 61\*, Willy 20

Joeys – Razeen 65, Lochner 35, Hugo 29\*, Nakul 3/87

Scots – Avindu 55, Hugo 28, Roshan 4/30, Teng-Yin 3/20

Many Thanks to Mr Kourtesis, Mr Laurie Heil, Mr Ayre, Varan Peranathan and various parents for their help during the season

Nakul Pednekar (Co Captain) and Hugo Richards.

## 15A Cricket

This year was another relatively disappointing one for the boys of the Fifteen As, but it did include the team's first victory. This victory was an outright against Scots. High batted first and made 8 for 220, the highest scorers being K.Taylor (58) and B. Kelly (53 n.o.). High bowled on the second day and got Scots out for 66, and then in the second innings for 91 including a controversial stumping on the last ball of the day to give High the outright win. This victory was very important because it was the last game of the season and it would have been very depressing if we hadn't won in three seasons. We deserved this victory but there could have been others because we have not lived up to our potential.

The outstanding performers this year were Andy Liu who scored 239 runs and took 21 wickets, B.Kelly who scored 136 runs and took 16 wickets, K.Taylor who got 235 runs and took 11 wickets, S.Ali who got 184 runs and took 5 Wickets and K.Perera who scored 186 runs.

The most improved players in the team were B.Wang, N.Chowdhury and S.Kumar.

A few of the players in the Fifteen As are hoping to be in second grade next year and are looking forward to this challenge.

Thank you Mr Fuller for coaching the team and giving us all your support and encouragement throughout the season as well as umpiring every game. Also, a thank you to Mrs Morgan and Mrs Taylor for scoring every game.

K.Taylor, Captain.





**16B Eleven**

**Back Row:** *A.Krishnan, A.Kwok, L.Brown, R.Shenoy, S.Chin.*

**Front Row:** *M.Lucchitti, M.Wong, N.Lindeback (Captain), T.Choudhury, J.Chen.*



**15A Eleven**

**Back Row:** *A.Liu, B.Wang, N.Chowdhury, B.Kelly.*

**Front Row:** *K.Perera, A.Vithanage, K.Taylor (Captain), S.Kumar, D.Morgan.*

## 15B Cricket

**T**he 15Bs had a tremendous year, despite having lost all our matches. We improved radically in teamwork, batting and bowling skills, and we would like to think we were the most improved team in the competition.

We had loads of fun and experienced many highs and lows, often being on the verge of victory, before just losing. We also had many star performers - and star performances from every person in the team. I believe every person put in 110 percent, and that's what counts, after all 'You Can't Buy High Spirit!'. As captain, I truly admired the performances from Nelson Wang for his extraordinary bowling skills, which bamboozled even the most experienced batsman, as well as David Ma's amazing 'knocks', he was certainly our batting force.

Most improved goes to Oliver Fio, who gave his all, especially in the field. Best Batsman: David Ma, Best Bowler: Nelson Wang, Most Improved: Oliver Fio. Special thanks to Liam Aylmer's and Tim Molloy's dads, and Mr Heil for their help during the season.

Jimari Bastable, Captain.

## 14A Cricket

**T**he 2006/2007 season has been one of improvement for the Fourteen As. Although the scoreboard did not reflect kindly on our performances we pushed every GPS team and in a majority of the matches should have done better.

The season started poorly against Grammar with a loss. The highlight of our performance was the 63 scored by Bhagwat in our second innings.

In our second match against Saint Ignatius we bowled first and Huynh took a five wicket haul. Our batting crumbled in the first innings but Bhagwat provided the backbone in the second scoring 73. Falling just short of saving the match we lost outright.

Our last game before the break was at home to Joeys and after conceding first innings points play was called off during our second innings due to rain.

The 86 scored by Phung in our first innings highlighted our next match, against Shore. After scoring only 143, despite Phung's score, we set about defending against a solid Shore batting line



**15B Eleven**

**Back Row:** J.Lam, H.Lu, N.Wang, D.Ma, L.Aylmer, J.Ubaldi.

**Front Row:** J.He, A.Chawla, O.Fio, J.Bastable (Captain), T.Molloy, R.Kamal, D.Luo.

up. We kept the rate down and could have won but for several missed opportunities in the field. They passed our total with eight wickets down and we all sensed a missed opportunity.

Against our rivals Newington, High was sent in and were all out for a below par total of 145. Newington got off to a steady start and was 0-50 before High struck a double blow and suddenly with their openers gone they felt the pressure. As our spinners came on and weaved magic around their legs with 27 amazing overs in a row Newington started to crumble. Saksena, our new import from the Thirteen As took 5-14 off eleven overs and was assisted by Bhagwat who took three wickets from sixteen overs. Although they passed our score with eight wickets down, the result did not show how well we had played and that when playing at our best we could beat anyone.

Our final match against Scots was a triumphant one for the Fourteen As. After batting first and compiling our highest total yet, 5-230 we set about defending it. Our main scorer was McDonald with 77, with Bhagwat, 43 and Phung, 35, assisting him well. The key to our defence was

early wickets and for the first time in our campaign our opening bowlers delivered. Their second wicket partnership got away from us and we were up against it when Saksena struck. After that partnership was broken the spinners once again managed to turn the game in the favour of High. Bowling twenty seven overs uninterrupted, Saksena took four wickets at less than two an over. Bhagwat also took three wickets from eleven overs and together they won the game for High. Special mention goes to Henry Sit who fielded magnificently and took two great catches.

Best Batsman: Michael Phung – 86 vs Shore

Best Bowler: Andrew Huynh – 5/33 vs Riverview

Most improved: Aman Saksena – 5/14 vs Newington – 4/43 vs Scots

The Fourteen As would like to thank Mr Laurie Heil, MIC Cricket, for his time and devotion to Cricket, and also David McDonald who brought us together as a team and mentored us throughout the season.

Nakwal Bhagwat, Captain.



**14A Eleven**

**Back Row:** A.Huynh, H.Sit, S.Hoque, S.Danziger, M.Phung.

**Front Row:** P.Pannila, A.Saksena, N.Bhagwat (Captain ), R.Siddiquee, K.Gunaratne

## 14B Cricket

Looking back on the season of 06/07, Sydney High had its ups and downs with the first half of the season seeing High being defeated quite badly. The second half of the season saw a few team changes with both Krishan and Hashan coming back from broken arms and several other boys being pushed up. Apart from our first two matches into the second half of the season, every match was extremely close with High thrashing Barker, and well on its way to finally giving Grammar a belting before the match was washed out, however using the Duckworth-Lewis system, High were declared the winners. All in all, the improvement seen in every match was incredible and next year this team will be one to look out for.

This season saw the improvement of many of our bowlers in different ways, whether it being bowling of the wrong foot or not bowling fast enough, Mr Littlewood managed to cater for all our bowlers. Everyone had their game in which they bowled excellently but the best bowler of the season would have to be Shanaz Razeen. He had great accuracy with his line and length and had good pace. Throughout the season Shanaz was the

leading wicket taker, however Eric Hashan, Krishan, Sam, Abdullah and Nathan all bowled well too. In the batting there were a few stand out batsmen. Hashan, one of the best opening batsmen you could get, David Chan who supported him excellently and managed to always anchor the innings, Sam Lane, for his incredible ability to cut every ball for four and Samir for his ability to hit every ball for at least a single. The best fielding crown would have to go to Sam Lane, however Andrew Gong took the best catch of the season.

On behalf of the 14Bs I would like to thank Mr Littlewood for giving up his time and coaching the 14Bs and attending all their matches, Laurie for being a great MIC and Mr Gong, Mr Ovadia and Mr Sivayogarayan for all coming and scoring for the team.

Krishan Sivayogarayan, Captain.

## 14C Cricket

The 14Cs had a fantastic season with eight wins, two losses and a draw. A total of sixteen played for our team throughout the season. The team amassed 500 runs overall and around 100 wickets were taken. Our best bowler was Leo Lu who once had figures of 1-1 off four



**14B Eleven**

**Back Row:** S.Siddiqui, A.Sarker, A.Gong, E.Ovadia, N.Kok, H.Subasinghe.

**Front Row:** K.Visvaa, D.Chan, K.Sivayogarayan (Captain), S.Razeen, S.Lane.

overs. Our best batsman was Dominic Cheung scoring consistently and holding the top order together. The most improved player was William Shao who improved his batting and bowling to help us at critical times. Leo Lu, Botong Cheng, William Shao and Dominic Cheung were selected for the game against Mt Alberts Grammar. A special thankyou to Mr Laurie Heil for his support of our team during the 2006-2007 season.

Botong Cheng, Captain.

## 14D Cricket

The season was a very pleasing one. With four wins and a couple of close games, we kept the opposition on their toes. Everyone played consistently well throughout the season. Rahib was our frontline bowler picking up many wickets. Yasar could do everything from hitting a four to opening the bowling. Johnson and Ryan were our most improved. Tristan froze the opposition with his cool looking style. Kevin was by far our best player, even though he joined us late in the season. Vivian and Thamid were our most consistent bowlers. Rahib Azwad won both best batsman and best bowler award.

S.Bhuiyan, Captain.

## 13A Eleven

The Thirteen As had a great season to start off their cricketing experience at High. A team that started off with only a few boys who had played before, we have gelled together as a team to become a quite a formidable side. At the beginning of the season only a handful of boys had experience in the game, but this didn't stop them turning up to every match and putting in one hundred percent every time.

We had a few tight matches throughout the season but unfortunately failed to win a match.

As a bowling side I believe we were one of the best in the comp, restricting our opponents to as little as 60 runs an innings on several occasions. This is thanks to our great opening bowlers and first change bowlers: Alexander Hughes, Tom Connelly and Shumit Hoque who took quite a lot of wickets between them. Alexander Hughes was the leading wicket taker overall. By the end of the season our fielding was something to be admired, even if a few catches went down.

For all this effort in the field, we were let down by our batting, with a highest total of 72. However, this did not stop the enthusiasm shown



## 14C Eleven

**Back Row:** I.Eveleigh, L.Li, D.Cheung, I.Khan, L.Lu, B.Cheng.

**Front Row:** D.Wei, W.Shao, S.Kinger (Captain), V.Wang, V.Anandaselvakumar.

### *Cricket*

by the boys who continually went out to put a decent score on the board. Our top runscorer was Krishnendi Dutta who was the only batsman to put on a score above 30 in the Thirteen As.

Overall, the boys did a great job this year, and I look forward to captaining them to our first win next season. Get ready for next year boys!

Alexander Hughes, Captain



**Back Row:** *R.Gu, T.Xu, E.Zhu, V.Singh, T.Shahriyar, Y.Chowdhury.*  
**Front Row:** *K.Qian, V.Le, S.Bhuiyan (Captain), R.Azwad, J.Wang.*



### **13A Eleven**

**Back Row:** *S.Prusty, L.de la Cour, B.Jeyarasa, S.Hoque, M.Paradeza, S.Prakash.*  
**Front Row:** *T.Connolly, C.Oei, K.Dutta, A.Hughes (Captain), T.Ling, B.Wilcox, H.Yu.*





**13B Eleven**

**Back Row:** *M.Pham, E.Hoque, W.Lin, S.Feng, B.Lee.*

**Front Row:** *D.Sabharwal, Z.Mahomed Rizvi, L.Fang, A.Ansareen (Captain), T.Iyer, J.Koukouras, A.Dutta.*



**13C Eleven**

**Back Row:** *E.Lieu, M.Yim, J.Yao, K.Krahe, B.Lam, V.Chen.*

**Front Row:** *K.Zhang, D.Foo, A.Soo, H.Heo (Captain), W.Yang, A.Fu, C.Zhang.*

# Basketball

## Basketball Master's Report

*[The following is an edited version of the speech given by Mr Ben Hayman at the Annual Basketball dinner.]*

**G**ood evening Dr Jaggar, Mr Ayer, Staff, parents, coaches and basketball players of Sydney Boys High School.

This season has been successful.

We are enjoying the third annual basketball dinner for all ages. Once again we have a capacity attendance. We are achieving all the goals of the original strategic plan for High Basketball set up by Robert Pluis and are constantly updating the plan to better ourselves for a stronger future.

The biggest sign of success for me is the enjoyment that the boys are gaining from basketball at High. Part of this enjoyment is the improved competitiveness that we have achieved again this year.

- In 2004/5 we had 97 losses by over 15 pts. This season 73.
- We had more wins again as a school than in the last 5 seasons.
- The 13s last season won 2% of their games. This season the 14s (the same team) won 21%.
- The 15s last season won 22%. This season the 16s won 24%
- The 14s last season won 42% of their games. This season the 15s won a massive 60%.

To continue being successful we need to work to produce basketball players capable of competing at the opens level. Every student needs to be trying to play for the highest team they can in their grade. Our new free junior firsts program has been a success. This program run by super coach Alex Hayman sees players developing rapidly. Next season junior firsts will be by invitation only. All players are encouraged to get practising!

Basketball at High only operates because of the support of a few people who work tirelessly for the benefit of many. The old boy coaches, Cameron, Josh, Mian, George, Matt, Adrian, Raymond, Olly, Francis, Kenny, Brendan, Terrance, Hughoce, David, Adrian, Lewis, Ray, Dale, Rhys and Vincent have done an outstanding job once again. Added to that line up this season

we have had some expert coaching staff. Alex Hayman has come back from Colorado to have an awesome impact on our program. Hank Foster has been particularly helpful in making basketball 'fun for all'. Nives Gilbert added plenty of competitiveness. Anatoly Bose added plenty of high level player experience. These people have made a dramatic difference. We aim to retain these coaches for years with our new coaching payment plan based on experience. The 'A' grade teams last season won 36% of games played. This season they won a massive 48%. If you all stick together with your mates we have enough talent to have more success in seasons to come.

The Chairperson duties and Medical Support was provided by Vince Saloman. Vince also lifted our boys to some great wins as the 15As coach this year. His contributions to basketball over the years have been endless and I would like to present him with a gift for his support.

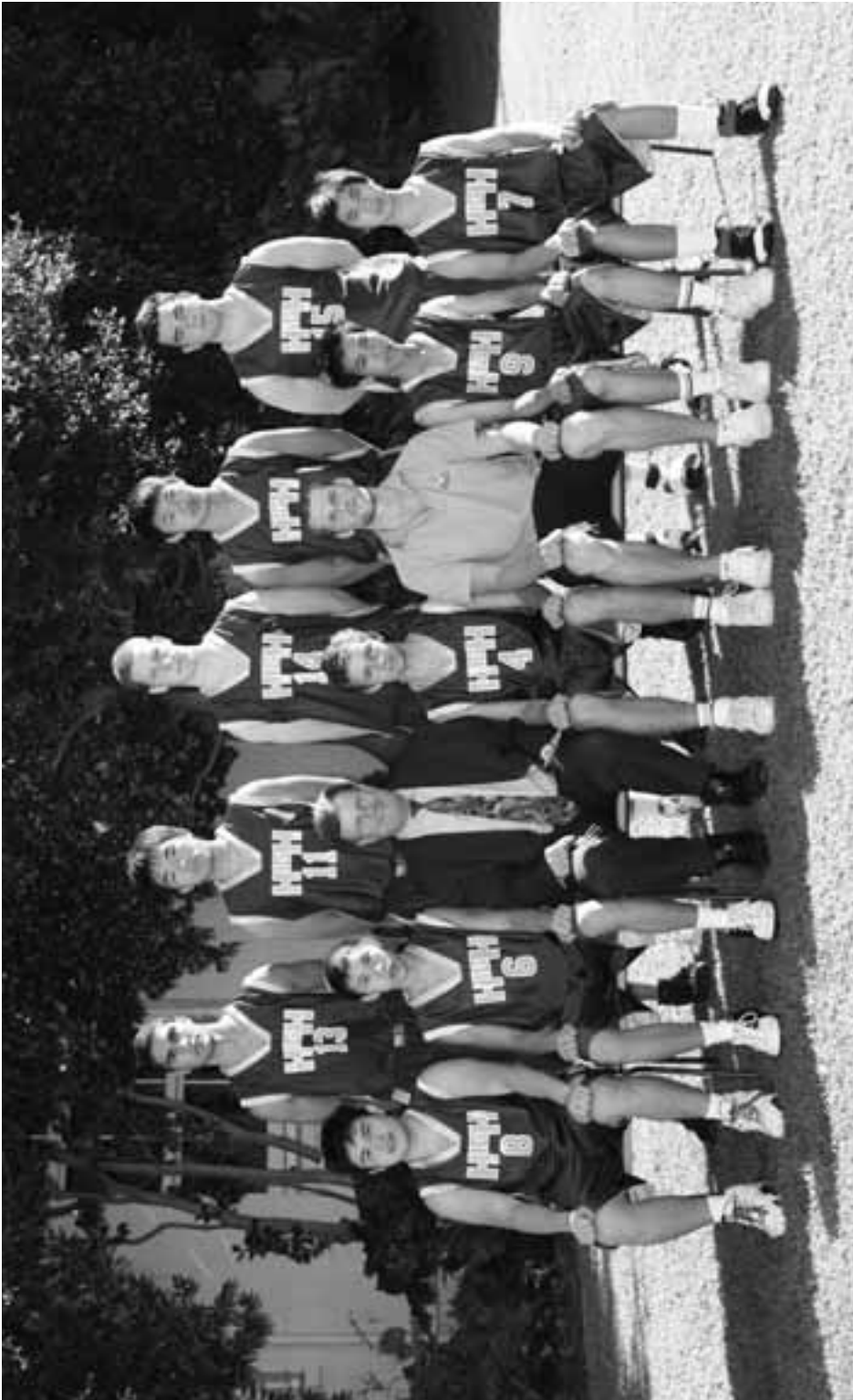
### Coaching Awards

This season's most successful coach goes to a coach who has won more games than anyone in the last four years. Mr McQuillan's mighty 15Ds had 352 points for and only 157 against!

The most improved team is the mighty 14As. Their coach, Anatoly Bose, needs to thank Miss Ward, Mian Wang and the 14As parents for this result as he didn't do it on his own due to his representative commitments with Basketball Australia. This season he wins the award for the most improved results as a coach!

Thanks must go to Johnny Shih for his outstanding work every week with the High Notes as well all the boys who sent in reports from their games. Thankyou also to David Fan and Caillin McKay who diligently organised the statistics for the fourteen round competition. We are looking for someone to join the stats team for next season. Please see me if you want to work with this expensive software.

George Chow has been the treasurer this season. He has helped with strategic planning and keeping the enthusiasm levels high of all involved and occasionally even bench. Christina Chow has been involved with everything as has Maxine Gallego. I would like to present them with a small gift for their help this season.



**First Grade Basketball**

**Back Row:** M.Farhat, W.Zhuang, M.Jones, D.Chen, P.Gallego.

**Front Row:** S.Sugito, J.Chow, Dr K.A.Jaggar (Principal), H.Walker (Captain), Mr A.Hayman (Coach), V.Nguyen, L.Teng.

The canteen and car parking are operating as effectively as possible and all funds are being put back into the program for the students. I encourage everyone to continue to support the canteen and car parking as you are supporting yourselves by doing so. Please see Ross Walker, Bruce Gordon and Shirley Tickner before the night ends if you want to support them in supporting your son. Bruce is organising a Year 9 project to get more rings up around the school for the students. In addition Ross and Helen Walker helped each week on the scoresheet and have both been heavily involved since the beginning. I would like to present these four parents with a small gift for their help this season.

Tracy Tassell has organised the raffle this evening and Mr Ayer co-ordinated our fixtures to suit us as best as possible. I would like to present them each with a small gift for their help this season.

The secretary is Melanie Vertoudakis. She has helped in all aspects of basketball this season. Tonight's function and has been co-ordinated by Emma Farhat. I am sure you all agree it is fantastic. I would like to present both Melanie and Emma each with a small gift for their help this season.

It is the Staff of Sydney Boys High who are the most important part of our success. Mr Dowdell, Mr Baldock, Miss Ward, Mr McQuillan and Ms Reemst work endless hours on Saturdays and weekdays to support the 280 boys playing basketball. Dr Jaggar shows every confidence in me and is supporting us with detachable rings for the outdoor courts and new outdoor rings. He is dedicated to making us more competitive. In particular I would like to thank Miss Ward, Mr McQuillan and Ms Reemst for their on-going support and present them each with a gift for this season. I am sure every student and parent in this room can see what a massive effort they have put in. You all deserve a large applause.

Ben Hayman, MIC

## **First Grade Basketball**

**T**he GPS season yielded disappointing results after a promising pre-season build up. After going 2-5 in the first half of the season with wins against the weaker Kings and early premiership hopefuls Riverview, the second half of the season finished with no further

victories. In the Shell Cup (NSWCHS knockout) however, the team reached the semi-finals for the first time in many years, the only non-sports high school to do so, before being thoroughly outclassed by a Westfield Sports High School lineup featuring multiple NSW and Australian representatives.

After the GPS season the Most Improved Player award went to Justin Chow (Yr 10), and the Farrington Trophy (MVP) to myself. Victor Nguyen was a standout in the Shell Cup games. Matt Jones (Yr 10) and myself were selected in combined GPS seconds, with Victor Nguyen selected as a reserve.

Many thanks to Mr Hayman, MIC, Jason Tassel in the weights room, Hank Foster for player development, and Messrs Ayre (Sportsmaster), Mulroney and Baldock for road trip busdriving and CHS refereeing.

Harry Walker, Captain.

## **Second Grade Basketball**

**S**econd Grade continued to be an exciting team with a mix of players from last year's team and also exciting new players from the lower grades of previous years. Seconds started with a bang with a tough loss to Kings' by 4 points. With the strong performances from, David Hu and Alex Le, it looked like a strong season was to follow. However, inconsistency and often careless mistakes would plague our first half of the season ending the first half of the season with a disappointing seven losses.

With the arrival of the term break came the resolve to improve. With the endless work put in by our coach and also the addition of players such as Ollie Konakoff and Ping Du, our team thrived, playing a freer and more open type of game. The extra hard work that was put in was seen in the pre-season knock-out competition. All the hard work led to some nail-biting finishes, with two games won by a single point against Grammar and Scots and the third in a controversial draw against Joeys. Ollie Konakoff was the star of the Cup pulling down more than ten rebounds and also leading our team in assists as a centre. However, the final proved to be a let down against Shore as we eventually ran out of legs and were unable to play the free-style that had gotten us to the final.

The second half the season promised to be



**Second Grade Basketball**

**Back Row:** A.Le, D.Ng, O.Konakoff, W.Trac, P.Du, D.Hu.

**Front Row:** Z.Xu, S.Dong, J.Chui (Captain), K.Iyer, A.Vertoudakis, Mr B.Hayman (Coach).

*Seated on Ground: C.McKay (Statistics).*



**Third Grade Basketball**

**Back Row:** B.Wang, B.Liu.

**Front Row:** M.Bock, A.Lee, B.Sun (Captain), A.Leung, C.Tang (Vice Captain).

interesting. Yet again strong performances were placed in between error prone halves. As the season drew to an end, we were determined to realize our true potential and we set our sights on winning games. Against Newington it all came together, with tough defence by Alex Vertoudakis complementing our strong offence. We continued our strong performance the next week with an easy win over Joeys where our five bench players took over the game in their limited game time. Though our season ended with disappointment against Grammar, it was overall a great season.

When end-of-season awards were determined, the Most Valuable Player was Ollie Konakoff, and the Most Improved Player was Alex Le.

Our thanks go to our coaches, led by Mr Hayman, all our supporters, and in particular the statistics men, whose work is often overlooked.

Jaffe Chiu, Captain.

### **Third Grade Basketball**

**T**hird Grade had a strong season recording numerous wins. The first half of the season was filled with close games, with us unfortunately ending up on the down side. With team reshuffles, coach David Li transformed our game into a running game, Michael Bock doing a wonderful job pushing on transition.

With our new strategy and the endless aggressive rebounding efforts by Jeremy Wilson and Alvin Leung, we managed to record a couple of wins. However, our countless turnovers formed our team's major flaw. With that emphasised and worked upon, third grade came out refreshed from the holiday break looking for a strong round two. However, despite great individual efforts, namely Si-Yang Wang, we were unable to overcome the opposition team, as famous NBA star Tracy McGrady puts it, "It takes FIVE."

With "team defense" on our minds, we managed to finish on top in another close game against Newington, winning by three points, as a crucial steal by Bill Sun with 10 seconds left sealed the game. With the season drawing to an end, it was quite a bittersweet experience to see rising star Chris Tang display his talents, recording a double against Scots (12 points, 10 STEALS). If only we saw more of this earlier in the season, but none-the-less, he shall be a major

attribute to High basketball next year.

Our final game was filled with mixed emotions, being the last game that the Year 12s were to play for Sydney High. We came out on fire, Alex Lee firing from all angles. We built enough of a lead to enjoy the last few minutes of our last game. With inspiration from the warming crowd, we had a bit of a joke around, fulfilling those 'must attempt once in life' basketball moves. Though most attempts were nothing short of a disaster, we finished the game strongly with a great win, a great way to end the season.

Special mention goes to Ben Wang and Ben Liu, who, despite missing numerous games due to injuries, contributed greatly when they did play. The Most Valuable Player award went to Bill Sun (Guard), and Jeremy Wilson (Forward/Centre) was judged Most Improved Player.

Grateful thanks go to our coach, David Li, and to our statistics men, Leslie Wong and Fourth Grade.

Bill Sun, Captain.

### **Fourth Grade Basketball**

**F**ourth Grade consisted of mainly last years fifth graders plus some young talent from the 16As and Bs, and with our coach David Li finally finding time to coach us on Wednesdays we were sure we would be one of the teams to beat.

After only having one training session, we were pitted against our old rivals, Grammar, beating them convincingly 37-29, with last years MVP, Albert Wang, dominating the game with eleven points five steals. However, three consecutive defeats to Shore, Riverview and Newington called for a team reshuffle with Third Grade. Starting point guard Chris Tang and centre Jeremy Wilson were promoted and Jeffrey Xie, Terry Ly and Johnny Shih were brought in. With two scoring machines in Albert Wang and Terry Ly, we thought we would be unstoppable but a lingering injury to Albert from the Newington game left Terry as our only legitimate threat up front, a problem the coach wanted to solve.

Our depleted offence was clearly seen in our game against Scots, scoring just 22 points. But our defence was solid, winning us a scrappy game. The last game of Term 4 saw Albert return, providing the muscle we needed against an



aggressive Joeys team. This game saw contributions coming across the board, with the backcourt combination of Danny Wong (4 assists) and Leslie Wong (9 points 7 rebounds) and scoring duo, Terry and Albert (8 points each) steering us towards victory. Averaging a team-high 4.25 steals per game in Term 4, Albert was a constant headache to the opposition on the defensive end.

With everyone finding their touch, Term 1 saw the team average more than 31 points per game. With wins against Grammar and Kings to start off the term, our next opponent was powerhouse Shore. Terry Ly rose to the challenge, scoring 15 points to go with 7 rebounds, but with no help, the game was lost 27-42.

Once again, our scoring issue had to be addressed, with only one three-pointer scored over Term 4. Coach David Li decided to drop Jamie Tao from the Thirds to increase our three-point threat. He had an instant impact with his first game against Newington, our most exciting game of the year. The first five minutes saw an unbelievable six three-pointers made (Jamie 3, Danny 1, Newington 2), in a see-sawing match that wasn't decided until the last minute. Down by one in the dying stages, a steal allowed Terry Ly to make a tough fast break layup with multiple defenders bearing down on him, stealing the win. The "Wong Guard Combo" of Leslie and Danny worked intensely, combining for seven assists with scoring from Terry (9 points), Jamie (13 points 3 threes), Danny (11 points 3 threes 4 steals). Following up from this match was yet another exciting game against Scots. But this time we came off second best. With Albert (13 points 8 rebounds), Jamie (7 points 7 rebounds) and Leslie (7 points 8 rebounds) a win seemed inevitable. However, with the team down 37-40 with two seconds to go, Jamie's corner three to tie the game fell short.

Wanting to send our Yr 12 players off with a win, the team came out against Grammar with purpose. With inspiration from the home crowd, both Leslie and Jamie caught fire, with Leslie knocking down four deep two-pointers and Jamie calmly hitting 5 from 6 free throws. In the end, the trio of Albert, Leslie, Jamie (10 points each) set us up for a comfortable 35-24 win.

Outstanding performances through the season included: Back up point guard J.Shih provided

great skill and leadership off the bench; power forward P.Duffy added height and athleticism to our short front court; shooting guard C.Yang played well with limited game time, making several tough shots; shooting guard/small forward J.Xie, arguably our most athletic player, was one of our best defenders, averaging nearly three steals per game; centre T.Ly, the most athletic big man on the team, blowing away other forwards with his speed and quickness - his ability to shoot from deep also helped, allowing him to average a team high 10 points per game; point guard D.Wong, taking over the PG spot after C.Tang was moved up, fitted into the role nicely, with solid decision making allowing him to lead the team in assists. Further stand-outs were: shooting forward J.Tao, the best three-point shooter on the team, averaging over one per game and filling the stat sheet with 10 points pg, 5 rebounds pg, and 3 steals pg in his five games with the team, earning the Most Improved Player award; power forward A.Wang, the defending MVP didn't disappoint, his combination of size and quickness making him a hazard for the defence, creating many steals. He averaged a tremendous 8 points pg, 6 rebounds pg, 2.5 steals pg, 0.8 bpg, winning yet another MVP award. Finally the captain, shooting guard L.Wong, although an erratic shooter, was able to help out in defence, surprisingly equalling a team high 6 rebounds pg and handy 2 steals pg.

Special thanks go to Coach David Li, who was able to find time off from his busy schedule to help us improve as a team.

Leslie Wong, Captain.

## **Fifth Grade Basketball**

**F**ifth Grade Basketball had an outstanding season, with a win rate of 12.5% (one win, one draw). The team consisted of: Forwards Johnny Zhang, Andrew Tse, Zid Mancenido; Centres Ben Lee, Charles Yang, David Yu; Point Guards Adrian Ng, Howard Gu, Keerth Vingnanasingam; Shooting Guards Christopher Shum, Gary Lau.

At season's end, the Most Valuable Player was David Yu, whilst the Most Improved Player was Adrian Ng.

We all wish to thank Messrs Baldock and McQuillan for their coaching.

Howard Gu, Captain.



**Fourth Grade Basketball**

**Back Row:** A.Wang, T.Ly, C.Yang.

**Front Row:** D.Wong, J.Shih, L.Wong (Captain), J.Tao, J.Xie.



**Fifth Grade Basketball**

**Back Row:** Z.Mancenido, Z.Zhang, B.Lee, C.Yang, D.Yu.

**Front Row:** D.Chiu, C.Shum, H.Gu (Captain), A.Ng, K.Vignanasingam.

## Sixth Grade Basketball

**W**e had a good season, despite some injury and technicalities, losing only three games, and only one deservedly. The Sixth Grade team had a solid scoring season of around twenty points a game, thanks largely to some good shots and accurate three-pointers.

Congratulations go to Charles Chang for his ability to get the ball to the other end of the court through superb dribbling, as well as contributing a few hoops, and to Kevin Wang for his consistent performance in the skills of scoring, dribbling and passing. And finally to Simin Yang for an astounding ability to hit threes in the game and leap past defenders, earning him the title of "Ninja".

Our thanks go to Mr. Baldock for coaching us and attending most of the games, and to the whole team for pursuing basketball whole-heartedly this season.

Dean Huang, Captain.

## Seventh Grade Basketball

Games Played 7, Wins 7, Losses 0, Draws 0

**T**he Seventh Grade team was undefeated giving us the perfect season. The highest point scorer was Raymond Tran, and the Best Player was Raymond Tran, and the Most Improved Player Michael Wang.

Thank you to Mr. Baldock for his contribution to the basketball program and his excellent coaching. Thanks also to the entire sevenths team, whose time and effort led to the perfect result of our undefeated season. Well done boys, good stuff!

Calvin Palana, Captain.

## Eighth Grade Basketball

**D**uring the main season, we played eight games, of which we drew one, lost one and won six. In no particular order, our players were: Matthew Sin, Anthony Park, Stanley Jia, Joseph Lai, Weiping Lu, Jourdian Hsiao, Wilson Zhang, David Tran, Samson Lou, Ji-Kwan Park, Joshua Weight and Milton Wong.

Nearing the end of our season, a confidential vote was conducted for the prestigious titles of

Most Valuable Player (MVP) and Most Improved Player (MIP), which went to Weiping Lu and Wilson Zhang respectively.

Our most hearty thanks go first and foremost to our coach, Mr. Baldock, who made the time and effort to coach us on Wednesdays as well as during our games on Saturday. On a similar note, our thanks must go to the parents and relatives who supported us.

Milton Wong, Weiping Lu, Co-Captains.

## 16A Basketball

**T**his season turned out to be one of the most succesful seasons in High Basketball with eight out of fourteen victories, which was mainly due to the best coach ever, Nevis Gilbert, and a team that was held together by High Spirit. The team was:

*Tim Zhong* Always gave 110% effort.

*David Peng* Big shot three-pointer always complaining for more ball, but who made the clutch shots when it mattered.

*Wilson Szet* Could make a killer mid-range jumpshot from anywhere on the court.

*Shorson Zhang* Unbelievable behind the back crossover could burn any player on the court.

*Jacky Chen* Held the 16As defence with his defensive slides and quickness.

*Josh Tassell* In one word perfect - could play any position to perfection whether it was shooting, defence, dribbling he could do it all.

*Mathew Lau* This guy can dunk...need I say more?

*Daniel Shan* Was one of the most dependable players always ready to play.

*Michael Feng* Had the toughest job on the whole team containing the hardest players, but still managed to beat them.

*Alan Yang* Just another guard.

We have to give credit to Nevis Gilbert, easily the best coach I've played for, she turned us from a group of individual talents to a well drilled, competitive team that could beat almost any team we faced (we lost to first grade by one point 28-29). This process was highly enjoyable on the way, we encountered a lot of fond memorys such as the time Tim ankle broke himself in the rain and Feng dancing after he made a three-pointer, and



**Sixth Grade Basketball**

**Back Row:** *K.Wang, S.Liu, P.Wang, B.Lung, C.Liu, R.Ji.*

**Front Row:** *R.Hua, J.Wong, D.Huang (Captain), S.Yang, E.Ang.*



**Seventh Grade Basketball**

**Back Row:** *R.Xu, M.Chen, W.Shen, G.Zhang, R.Tran, M.Wang.*

**Front Row:** *R.Yeung, C.Wong, C.Palana (Captain), A.Wang, N.Tran.*



**Eighth Grade Basketball**

**Back Row:** *S.Jie, J.Lai, J.Hsiao, A.Park, D.Tran.*

**Front Row:** *M.Sin, S.Lou, M.Wong (Captain), J.Park, W.Zhang.*



**16A Basketball**

**Back Row:** *J.Tassell, D.Shan, M.Feng, M.Lau, W.Szet.*

**Front Row:** *T.Zhong, J.Chen, D.Peng (Captain), A.Yang, S.Zhang.*



**16B basketball**

**Back Row:** *D.Nam, S.Ke, D.Lo, A.Tran, B.Lu.*

**Front Row:** *A.Ang, B.Lau, T.Tran (Captain), J.Li, S.Ponraj.*



**16C Basketball**

**Back Row:** *N.Wong, F.Lee, T.Wilson, M.Wiu.*

**Front Row:** *D.Nguyen, P.Roessler-Holgate, K.Lim (Captain), M.Kayes, D.Hi.*



how could we forget the first time Lau dunked in warmups. Anyway in my opinion, this has been the best basketball season ever.

The 16As best game was easily the last game of the season against Grammar. We came out red hot with a ten point lead and ended up winning the game 54-30. There was one play I will never forget when Shorson had the ball, a Grammar player went for a steal and he spun the basketball around his back at full speed as if he was running with the ball, then drove into three guys and laid it up and made it look so easy. Our most improved player was the team player which was everyone and our MVP was Nevis Gilbert.

On behalf of the team I would like to thank Nevis Gilbert, Tim Seccombe, Hank Foster and a special thanks to Ben Hayman for making Sydney High Basketball competitive and enjoyable at the same time.

Alan Yang, Co-Captain.

## **16B Basketball**

**T**he 16Bs season started off badly with High only able to take a win from Joeys in Term 4. The results went as badly as a quadrupling from Newington. The Term 1 season proved much more pleasing, with High achieving three wins to four losses, two of the latter were by only a two point buffer. Bohan Yang's unmatched driving skills proved as invaluable as Jeff Wong's and Adrian Ang's ball handling skills, not to mention Anthony Tran's superior shooting ability. All in all a very good season for the 16Bs, even though we lacked a coach for the second half of the season, we did better than when we did have one.

Bohan Yang was unanimously picked for Most Valuable Player for his ability to look for and squeeze through miniscule cracks in the defence to score seemingly impossible points. Anthony Tran was elected Most Improved Player, no doubt for his phenomenal shooting.

Thank You to Mr. Hayman and all who helped raise funds to pay for our opportunity to represent our school in GPS Basketball.

Trung Tran, Captain.

## **16C Basketball**

The 16Cs had a tough season, going through most of it with only eight players, three of whom had moved up from lower teams or had just joined basketball, and players constantly changing squads throughout the season. Although the quality of our players was high we struggled to get results, failing to win any games. Despite this it was an enjoyable season for most and hopefully we will have better luck next season.

One notable game was against Scots, resulting in an overtime loss by a point - a game which the whole team agrees we dominated. This was the story for most of our season - failing to win close games, losing at least three close games by less than four points, many against teams that we knew we could have beaten.

Special thanks are due to our coach Cameron Conway.

Kang Lim, Captain.

## **16D Basketball**

**O**ut of the thirteen games we played, we have won six of them, giving us a win rate of 46%. After having a fantastic pre-season with four wins and three losses, with a team injury and holiday leave, our official season was worse than expected with two wins and four losses, and a canceled game.

At the end of the season, the Most Valuable Player was Hongwei Li, and the Most Improved player was Luke Tran.

Thank you to all the coaches and the teachers for your time to support basketball. Thanks to all players who turned up every Saturday.

Hongwei Li, Captain.

## **15A Basketball**

**T**he 15As entered the season with a changed team. We had a new coach, new players and much more confidence. We brought Alex and Abinayan into the team, for more power on both ends of the court. By using a fast break strategy, we were able to win more games and get more points.

Unfortunately, we lost our first game to Grammar by ten points. We did get one highlight



**16D Basketball**

**Back Row:** A.Li, M.Kayes, V.Ung, J.Chen.

**Front Row:** M.Chan, S.Lei, H.Li (Captain), A.Chan, L.Tran.



**16E Basketball**

**Back Row:** C.Peng, N.Spoljaric, L.Png, M.Kayes.

**Front Row:** K.Lo, V.Lam, D.Lam (Captain), V.Khou, V.Zhang.

though. When Leo was called for a blocking foul he jumped up for joy, thinking the call was a charge. We still don't know who was more confused, Leo or the refs?

We had some big wins to come, beating Kings, Shore, Newington and Scots by a total of 62 points. Our only other loss that term was against Riverview: 31-36 and we copped it from Mr Hayman who said (in the High Notes), "You should have won! Some of your age group is in the Riverview 1sts/2nds!"

In Term 1 we had a new team again. With the absence of Brendan, Anton showed what a machine he really is, averaging ten points per game in the term. Yixin, Matt and Barry were brought into our team, and made a big difference. In our first game of the term we smashed Grammar by 22 with Steven pouring in 16 points. We had some confusing losses, though, to Kings and Shore. After beating Shore by 14 before, we lost due to overconfidence, stupid plays and foul trouble. We finished the season strongly beating Joeys by 14, Scots by 21 and Grammar (again) by 6. I'm sure we will all remember this great 2006-

07 season, finishing with nine wins and five losses, the second best record in High basketball (best in the A grade teams).

The season saw some great improvements. Matt showed that he could really score under pressure, Yixin showing he had great handles (both of them improving their game immensely over the holidays) and Merlin had a really good...lets just say "hook-shot". Justin made the most of his game time, Steven was once again a scoring machine, averaging over 13 points and Barry improved his post moves greatly. Leo even improved his laying-up skills. Josh was awarded MVP and Jeremy, MIP, although Anton was also a very strong contender.

The only player in our team to be selected for Reps was Josh Sutton. Leo, though, made it to the second round in representative trials.

Many thanks go to Vince Saloman for coaching our team and helping us develop into the players we are now and to Mr Hayman for helping and coaching the team from time to time and organising all our games.

Jeremy Rajendram, Captain.



**15A Basketball**

**Back Row:** S.Yoon, J.Sutton, A.Paul, M.Li, L.Gordon.

**Front Row:** M.Phung, B.Chen, J.Rajendram (Captain), S.Yoon, Y.Liu.



**15B Basketball**

**Back Row:** *L.Li, J.Nguyen, M.Wang, A.Kugendran, V.Vo.*

**Front Row:** *H.Tran, J.Braverman, A.Koerber (Captain), C.Nguyen, B.Cheung.*



**15C Basketball**

**Back Row:** *D.Yan, D.Edgton, L.Wang, I.Lu, D.Tran.*

**Front Row:** *B.Ly, J.Pham, J.Castillo (Captain), W.Lee, N.Adell.*



**15D Basketball**

**Back Row:** *R.Ma, T.Xiao, J.Lee, B.Li.*

**Front Row:** *B.Cabanilla, M.Lee, H.Vi, S.Yung, R.Sivasubramaniam.*



**15E Basketball**

**Back Row:** *A.Zhang, Z.Guo, J.Chen.*

**Front Row:** *J.Du, H.Zhuang, I.Li (Captain), T.Silveira, W.Santucci.*

## 15B Basketball

**T**he 15Bs had a good season and finished off strongly in the second half of the season overall winning three out of seven games. Probably our most significant win was against Scots winning 80-13. Chris Nguyen was the top point scorer performing strongly as the shooting guard. Special mention goes to Harry Tran for his huge improvement.

Congratulation to Abs Kugendran for being awarded Most Valuable Player scoring 21% of the team's total points. Also congratulations to Vinh Vo for receiving Most Improved Player with his great strength around the ring.

A big thankyou to our coach, Mian Wang. He was an awesome coach and was extremely committed to the team. Well done to all the boys on a great season.

Alex Koerber, Captain.

## 15E Basketball

**T**his season has gone past so quickly due to the great amount of effort and enthusiasm placed into it by both the players and the coaches. But it was really the enjoyment that we got out of games that made the season fly by. There was nothing that we could look forward to after every game except for the next week's game.

This season, we played eight games in total. Although we did start the season with quite a number of people who were new to basketball, we managed to play well and win five of them.

The most commendable player in our team would have to be Adrian Zhang. Although being among the number of people new to basketball, he improved at such an incredible speed that he soon became one of the most important players in the team having top scored multiple times. Tony Silveira's shots, like Adrian's, cannot be doubted either and he frequently finds the ring. Zaine Guo also cannot be forgotten because he was the one who constantly got the rebound.

This season could not have been as successful without the commitment and effort of the players. But above all, the work of Mr McQuillan was what truly made this season so great and so we would like to give him our most grateful thanks.

Ivan Li, Captain.

## 14A Basketball

**T**his season we, the 14As, exceeded our own expectations. The team had Nikhil Autar, Michael Wong, Cornelius Do and Michael Tickner newly join the As. It was a very different team from last year and we were eager to see how we would play with each other against the other GPS schools. With the training from our skillful coaches we were able to win a few games which was a vast improvement from last year.

The games against Grammar were not to be forgotten. In our first ever game representing High we played Grammar and lost 72-2. Every game the gap between our score narrowed. The last game of the season we played Grammer again and this time won by 3 points. This just goes to show how dedicated the team and the coaches were.

A big thanks to our coaches George Krastev, Anatoly Bose and Ms Ward.

Andrew Ye, Captain.

## 14C Basketball

**T**he 2007 14Cs can't say that we had the best season but we did have fun and we did win two matches, including Term 4. We always had some ups and downs and sometimes we came really close to a win, but unfortunately we weren't able to pull through with a win. Throughout this season the 14Cs have experienced unfortunate losses but when hope was dim we were able to pull through with two wins.

Our season highlight was probably when we won by default, when Joey's was running late, and then we won in the 20-minute friendly match to make up for the time. This gave us our very small bit of glory. Even though we lost most matches, it's impossible to say that we didn't have any fun. Our one other win was when we beat the Grammar team last year, but it was still quite difficult. We still kept our hopes high and after a whole lot of training, we deserved our wins. But this only came through the team training so hard to improve and win.

At the end of the season it was decided that the best player was Nathan Leong (MVP), and that the Most improved Vinson Zheng.

So thanks are due to the commitment from the team: Bryan Do, Joshua Kim, Anshul Jain, Jeffrey



Zhang, Vinson Zheng, Oliver Sabau, Ali Mockdad, Nathan Leong, Michael Lui-Li, Denny Chandra and Cornelius Do, who was on our team for a while. And also a special thanks to our Coach Hughoce Feng for sacrificing his time to come and train us. Without him we wouldn't have been as committed, devoted, motivated and fit as we are now. We hope to do better next time.

Denny Chandra, Captain.

## **14D Basketball**

**T**he 14Ds season was not one anyone might have brought to mind, as we had only one win out of all the matches played. The highest total individual scorer was Andy Ho, while the most points scored in one game would go to Daniel Chen with 20 points against Knox. The players of the 14Ds included Kenneth Ho, Andy Ho, Daniel Chen, Adrian Auzuo, Yale Wong, Josh Chen, Kevin Li, Yu Sing Chan, David Li Wang and Alfred Zhang.

The Most Improved Player of this year's 14Ds was Andy Ho, while the Most Valuable Player was awarded to Kenneth Ho.

The 14Ds would like to thank Miss Ward for giving up her free time to coach the 14Ds, and come to our Saturday games however far away they may have been. We hope you may coach us once again one day.

Alfred Zhang, Captain.

## **14E Basketball**

**C**onsidering all of the seasons we've ever had, this season was by far the best of all. We had the most wins we've ever had and there was outstanding teamwork amongst all the players. Every match we had we did our best to defend our hoop and every time we improved by heaps. The only downside was the fact that almost every single game was away so the opposing team had the home advantage, but that didn't stop us. No, we did our best no matter what. This season's team included: Max Wei, Warren Deng, Brendan Leo, Leo Lou, Joseph Lui, Joseph Zhang, Francis Pham, Kevin Le, Andy Wu and Michael Roberston.

One of the most exciting games ever was the last match of the season. Kevin was changed for Kerry in the Ds for this match. The final match was against Grammar... and Max takes possession of the ball and he drives and... oohhhh he missed but then Francais takes the rebound and puts it up again but misses too. Grammar takes possession and charges up the field. The score is 21-21 with a three minute tiebreaker. Grammar shoots but misses and Grammar rebounds it but then... oh no, Kerry has fouled the team and earned Grammar two free throws. Grammar shoots and, oh no, they score and time is up with the final score being 21-22. It was the most sensational game we've ever played.

On behalf of the team we would like to thank the people who participated in any of our matches and of course to our fantastic coach, Miss Ward.

Joseph Zhang, Captain.

## **13A Basketball**

**T**he 13As first season together was very much one of learning individual and team skills. The ten team members included four novices, and despite our best efforts we lost every match. We did manage to score eighteen points through the season, the highest scorer being Daniel Liang.

At season's end the Most Valuable Player was Daniel Liang, and the Most Improved Player was Andreas Purcal.

The whole team wishes to thank our coaches Dale Sun, Hank, and Mrs Reemst.

Daniel Liang, Captain.

## **13B Basketball**

**T**en players, including two rookies, began their first season at High with high hopes. But despite our rapid progress as players we were unable to notch up a win. We did manage to rack up twenty-five points by the end of the season, and our highest scorer was Richard Lin.

When all was said and done, it was an enjoyable season, the Most Valuable Player being Richard Lin, and the Most Improved Players Marriotte Ngai and Campbell Kwan

We all warmly thank our coaches Ray Huynh, Hank, Mrs Reemst.

Richard Lin, Captain.

## 13E Basketball

**O**h, what a season it has been for the 13Es Basketball team. Even though we lost all our games, I'm pretty sure that my team could agree with me that we had a fun season, full of experience. We couldn't have survived through the season without our coach Ms Reemst or the support of all the player's parents so I would like to say thank you to them all on behalf of the team.

During each game we were able to score at least one basket and concede fewer baskets than the last game which was really good, considering that some of the players were playing basketball for the first time ever in a season and by the end of the season, the team had scored over 40 baskets. Also I was impressed with my team's determination to try and win and we should've won if the opponent didn't get so lucky, as we had way more shots than them, which would have gone in if the ball was the same one we used for training. Everyone enjoyed the games we played and didn't mind losing at all - just as long they managed to have a fun game.

**The Good Players:** Where to start? All the players were fantastic but one of the 13Es most valuable players was Michael, because without him, passes to the forwards would rarely come. He was also the best inbounder in the team (except Joel might have been better than him by a little bit) and he was also a good defender who managed to block some shots. Then there was Adrian Phan, who was the all-rounder of the team. He was a good attacker and defender but also a good player for rebounding, as he wasn't scared to just go in the crowd and jump up to get the ball and then pass it up. He also had good endurance, which he showed during the game, running around the court trying to outsmart his markers. The most improved of our team had to be Eric, who started as one of the players who

didn't know how to play, to later in the season become one of the players who were vital to the game. He was always serious, at the game and training, and tried his best to score a basket, though unfortunately he didn't but with the same effort he will next season. All the other players were fantastic which made it so hard to choose and I would have put everyone on the report but then it would take up the whole *Record*. If my teammates try even harder next season they will be guaranteed to go on the report next time.

In the end I hope everyone will have better luck next season and, hopefully, the 13Es will win most of their games and score more baskets.

Brandon Chau, Captain.



*Time out.*



**14A Basketball**

**Back Row:** *M.Wong, I.Zaman, C.Morrow, N.Autar, A.Huynh.*  
**Front Row:** *C.Do, M.Kobras, A.Ye (Captain), M.Tickner, P.Castillo.*



**14B Basketball**

**Back Row:** *L.Sheldon, A.Chin, A.Li, K.Lu, M.Yoon.*  
**Front Row:** *B.Deng, S.Beston, D.Nguyen (Captain), A.Shen, M.Deng.*



**14C Basketball**

**Back Row:** A.Jain, J.Kim, J.Tang, M.Liu-Li.

**Front Row:** B.Do, V.Zheng, D.Chandra (Captain), N.Leong, O.Sabau.



**14D Basketball**

**Back Row:** Ms A.Ward (Coach), A.Ho, Y.Chan, A.Zhang (Captain), Y.Wong, D.Wang.

**Front Row:** K.Nguyen, A.Auzou, J.Chen, D.Chen, K.Ho.



**14E Basketball**

**Back Row:** *Ms A.Ward (Coach), M.Wei, F.Pham, K.Li, W.Dang.*

**Front Row:** *L.Lou, B.Leo, J.Zhang (Captain), A.Wu, J.Lui.*



**13A Basketball**

**Back Row:** *A.Purcal, S.Reiyder, C.Stack, S.Renzenbrink, J.Yang, M.Song, Ms C.Reemst (Coach).*

**Front Row:** *S.Do, E.Li, D.Liang (Captain), A.Moon, A.Fong.*



**13B Basketball**

**Back Row:** *Ms C.Reemst (Coach), M.Ngai, W.Ho, C.Kwan, R.Huynh (Coach).*

**Front Row:** *E.Mehmedbasic, J.Zhou, J.Edgtton, R.Lin (Captain), N.Ma, J.Lo, W.Randles.*



**13C Basketball**

**Back Row:** *W.Zhou, H-T.Lin, A.Ng, W.Baxter, R.Useelanathan, Ms C.Reemst (Coach).*

**Front Row:** *N.Ooi, L.Zhao, N.Tang (Captain), P.Zhou, W.Yuan.*





**13D Basketball**

**Back Row:** *V.Ye, S.Quazi, T.Hang, C.Luiker, A.Paul, Ms C.Reemst (Coach).*

**Front Row:** *J.Tsai, L.Nguyen, D.Wang (Captain), V.Nguyen, T.Chin.*



**13E Basketball**

**Back Row:** *F.Li, M.Chin, E.Ng, J.Ng, K.Chu, Ms C.Reemst (Coach).*

**Front Row:** *A.Phan, J.Yu, B.Chau (Captain), R.Sternhell, M.Zhu.*

# Tennis

With the addition of our first class training facility built in 2006, we have reaped the benefits of having a home court located in our school. These four hard courts ensure that the successful tennis program at High continues to flourish with training, coaching and Saturday home matches. It also provided the first grade team with the opportunity to host other GPS schools and have a home court advantage. This has been a new experience for everyone with the surrounding High support cheering them on and enjoying a whole new scene.

This wouldn't have been possible without the hard work of Dr.Jaggar, the Tennis Committee, Ms Helen Tuthill, Terry Hayes and many others. It will be pleasing to see all High boys take full advantage of these new courts and develop their games. All players should aim to make the school's top two teams as it is a great honour and privilege to compete and continue the success in the GPS competition.

## Welcome to the new MIC

With the departure of the kind hearted Ms Tuthill, who was the backbone of tennis for many years (2001-2006), there were some big shoes to fill. Mrs Crothers put her hand up knowing that much of her time would be given to managing High's tennis and keeping everything in order. This is her first year as the Tennis MIC and we have been privileged to have her. She provided all teams with every opportunity to improve their games from old boys, coaches and even some enlightenment on her own knowledge of the game.

## First Grade Tennis

The GPS tennis competition was always going to be a long and gruelling learning curve for our First Grade team. This year, the boys were ready and prepared themselves the best way possible. The addition of our home courts and more training sessions with resident



### First Grade Tennis

**Back Row:** B.Lee, M.Prior, C.Siu.

**Front Row:** E.Deng, Dr K.Jaggar (Principal), M.King (Captain), I.Cerecina.



**Second Grade Tennis**

**Back Row:** *A.Yeung, C.Cheung, D.Fu, A.Alaganar.* **Front Row:** *J.Cohn (Captain), H.Neo, K.Nguyen.*



**Third to Sixth Grade Tennis**

**Back Row:** *A.Dovan, M.Rusli (Fifth Grade Captain), N.Hayes (Fourth Grade Captain).*  
**Second Row:** *E.Montoya-Zorrilla (Sixth Grade Captain), J.Pharm, A.Klocker, W.Chan, T.Mai, G.Lau.*  
**Front Row:** *D.Chim, A.Kim, A.Huynh, D.Fu (Third Grade Captain), A.Shapilsky, T.Cai, S.Ting.*

coach Carl Nielson furthered the development of our skills, technique and mental game.

The pre-season started brightly with a team that bonded like family in no time, and with four out of six\ making their debut in First Grade. Our team had a lot of spirit with everyone enjoying their tennis week in and week out. The sheer determination and guts shown on court was unfortunately not reflected on the scoreboard.

During the season we performed well, caused some upsets and pushed the opposition hard.

As a team member and Captain of First Grade, I'd like to thank all players for making my last GPS season very enjoyable and successful. I'm proud of everyone for showing such good sportsmanship and in endeavouring to improve their playing ability. I'd also like to extend my appreciation and gratitude towards the parents, supporters and teachers who helped out with setting up afternoon tea and providing our visitors with an enjoyable afternoon.

On behalf of the team, a special mention must go to all the teachers that helped manage our team over the 06/07 season. Without your support and help on Saturday, GPS tennis would not have been as successful or even possible.

Finally, I'd like to conclude with a brief note on my team members:

*Ivan Cerecina:* – the man that would always seem to go the distance, with a solid brick wall game and knowing when to step it up a notch;

*Michael Prior:* – the powerhouse of the team with a huge serve and a strong forehand always proving to be a difficult opponent;

*Ben Lee:* – a quiet achiever that gets the job done fast with flowing strokes in all facets;

*Chapman Sui:* – always focused and ready to go;

Edward Deng: – if there was a most improved award, it would go to him as he has developed as the weeks went on with his interest and enjoyment in playing tennis.

Matt King, Captain.

## Second Grade Tennis

The 2007 Second grade tennis team was almost completely new in personnel, with Ajay Alaganar being the only player to have played the previous year. Alex Yeung, Jason Cohn and Cary Cheung all came up from the

Sixteen As whilst Hau Neo and Kent Nguyen rose from the Fifteens team. After a term of extensive training with Carl Nielson, Nick and Jono, our play had improved greatly technically and practically. The unfortunate lack of a permanent MIC was thankfully balanced by the committed managing of Old Boy and former First Grade player Peter Pereira, all home games were prepared and hosted successfully.

Overall, the individual playing strength of the team had improved dramatically by the end of the season, and we were unlucky not to defeat Scots (rained out), Grammar, Newington and Kings. Notable highlights of the season included Hau Neo's demolition at St. Joseph's filling in for an injured Alex Yeung, Kent Nguyen pushing dual Premiers Shore to a tight third set and Ajay playing a blistering match to end his tennis career at High.

Jason Cohn, Captain.

## Third Grade Tennis

In the 2007 GPS season Third Grade tennis had proven itself an outstanding team, finishing the season with only a few narrow losses and a multitude of convincing wins. After a reshuffling of the positions during the trial season, all teams performed more consistently and smoothly. The team was able to prove its determination and teamwork capabilities in the doubles matches while the prodigious individual skills of each player were on display in the singles. A few matches were washed out this season, however all in all Third to Sixth grade had a remarkable seasons. Thanks boys.

The most outstanding performance this season was demonstrated by James Phan who rose through the ranks from Fifth grade into Thirds within a few weeks. The Third grade team proved formidable with Danny Fu and James both completing the season undefeated while Daniel Chim and Amadeus Klocker put in strong performances.

Special thanks to Mr Ryan, Mr Sherwood and Jono our coach for their time in managing the team.

Danny Fu, Captain.

## Fourth Grade Tennis

**D**espite not being able to play the first match at Kings due to a time mix up, the pre-season started reasonably well. While the team was still trying to find its feet, it managed to come away with a few early, hard-fought wins, which provided the team with an optimistic view for the upcoming season. Though many of the boys managed to win over half of their pre-season games, James Pham showed his seemingly infinite abilities and won all his matches, quickly moving from Fifth Grade the Third Grade within the pre-season. The team was showing great promise.

Unfortunately, the 2007 half of the GPS season didn't bring about the wins that the team was hoping for, with good results coming few and far between. However after the shuffling and reshuffling of the teams in the first few weeks of the season, the team managed to hit its stride coming off with some good wins in the last weeks. With increasingly successful doubles pairings, the team showed that they could work well with and support each other. Players such as Alex Shapilsky showed great improvement throughout the official season.

Special thanks must be made to Mr. Ryan and the Third-Sixth Grade manager Colin Sherwood for showing up every Saturday and making sure things ran as smoothly as possible.

Nicholas Hayes, Captain.

## Fifth Grade Tennis

**A**fter many changes the Fifth grade team consisted of Matthew Rusli, Anthony Huynh, Jonathan Culibao and Tam Mai. It was quite a successful season overall with some wins and a lot of fun. All the players deserve credit: Jonathan for being so skilled, Anthony for playing well in his first tennis season, and Tam for his improvement. Well done to all players and good luck to those who continue to play tennis in the next season.

I would also like to thank Jono who was a coach who taught us quite a bit, as well as Colin Sherwood who turned up to home and away games on Saturdays regardless. His dedication has been greatly appreciated, and to Mr Ryan for being there on Wednesdays.

Matthew Rusli, Captain.

## 15 Years Tennis

**I**n our season we have achieved a mixed bag of results. The As have had a pretty rough time, only beating Sydney Grammar and a couple others while the rest of the team had pretty much even results. In the Cs and Ds Andrew Wu and Richard Lin have both impressed us with their tennis abilities and continue to question whether or not their rank reflects their skill.

Our most improved player has to be Kevin Sheng, who has continuously impressed us with his athletic ability, both on court and off. He is a dedicated tennis player and has put in both time and effort into this sport over the years at High. A mention also has to go out to Declan McCrea-Steele who has improved his determination and fitness quite a bit over the season, although he has yet to reflect this on the court.

The As team have played throughout the season without former star Enoch Hui, who suffers from regular knee injuries. But hopes are up for when he recovers and plays again.

My thanks and gratitude go to our coaches, MIC, and everyone who has put their time and effort into the tennis season program, including the dedicated parents who drive us to and from games. I also would like to thank the players for putting their time and effort into tennis and making it to every Thursday tennis session.

Edward Qiu, Captain.

## 14 Years Tennis

**T**he Fourteens Tennis consisted of: A1-George Panas- the Captain of Fourteen As. had a fairly successful doubles season with three wins and a dismal singles season with only one win against Shore. His style is defensive with a formidable serve and smash.

A2-Vivin George- had an excellent season in all with six singles wins and three doubles wins. He also won the best and fairest award at the tennis dinner. If anyone in the A's deserved the award it was most definitely Vivin, he is an asset to the team. His style is also defensive.

A3-Kit Man Cheng- Kit Man had a disappointing season with two singles wins and no doubles wins. Kit Man puts a lot of effort into training. His style is major top spin.



**16 Years Tennis**

**Back Row:** *T.Gao, R.Lee, S.Burnham, J.Chan.*

**Second Row:** *Mr R.Boros (Coach), M.Mikha, V.Lim, S.Lee, J.Ireland, B.Diep, D.Shurapy.*

**Front row:** *S.Hoang, M.Sin, S.Chin, T.Siu, X.Quah, T.Yu, M.Dinh.*



**15 Years Tennis**

**Back Row:** *E.Qiu, A.Feng, M.Tugnait, R.Bi, A.Ghose.*

**Second Row:** *Mr T.Ryan (Coach), B.Soroca, F.Li, K.Sheng, D.Trang, E.Hui, A.Chiem, P.Simos.*

**Front Row:** *D.McCrea-Steele, A.Wu, G.Niu, J.Chan, R.Lin, C.Wong, W.Wan.*



A4- Daniel Li- His season was fair with only one singles win and two doubles wins. Although he was a new recruit to the A's due to the loss of Simon Chen. He has very consistent ground strokes but his serves lacks strength. His style is defensive.

B1- Charlie Chau- The most unfortunate player in the team with no singles wins and only one doubles win. He has a forehand that can hit anyone off the court but rarely decided to use it during a match.. Some more training and that can be fixed. His style is defensive but occasionally tries to whack the ball.

B2- Gabriel Garayalde- Quite a successful season with four singles wins and three doubles wins. He is definitely not the tallest in the team but he can hit quite hard for his size. With a strong forehand he is a tough opponent. His style is going all out on almost every shot.

B3-Dennis Dao- A fair season he had two wins in both singles and doubles. These results are not so bad as he had to keep restringing and changing racquets. Dennis has an unusual but functional smash from the baseline which is always a struggle for the opponent to hit. Dennis' style is defensive with an occasional smash.

B4- Kevin Phan- Kevin had three singles wins and two doubles wins. Kevin has improved tremendously over his time at High. His style is aggressive.

C1- Marcell Rocza- Had a great season with three singles wins and four doubles wins. Marcell always changed position between B4 and C1 but ended up as B4. He trains a lot in hope of having a permanent spot in the A's. His style is a mix of defence and aggression.

C2- Ian Lu- Had an unbeaten season with six singles and six doubles wins. His doubles technique is difficult to combat at this level.

C3-Lawrence Lu- Had three singles wins and four doubles wins. Lawrence had a good season.

C4- Sujay Salagame- Sujay had a fantastic season with five doubles and singles wins. Sujay is always improving.

D1- Charles Wu- Charles also had quite a good season with four singles wins and three doubles wins.

D2- Jonathan Mok- Had a great season with four singles wins and five doubles wins. Jonathan started tennis this season.

D3- Ken Shao- Had five singles and five doubles wins. He was very consistent with three 6-0 wins in the season; a team record.

D4- Michael Reid- Michael only played two matches and won one of them as he was a reserve.

The GPS results were:

In the As, High came eighth.

In the Bs, High came seventh.

In the Cs, High came second.

In the Ds, High came first.

A special mention goes to coach Daniel Ong. Daniel is a great manager and our team is grateful to him.

George Panas, Captain.

## **Thirteens Tennis**

Year 7 tennis consisted of four teams of four players each (plus reserves). The season was difficult at first but as it progressed we improved dramatically. We identified which school teams are tough to beat and which are easy. The season finished against Grammar, and the scores looked positive. We look forward to Term 4.

Our most improved player was Chris who worked his way up from the C team to A4. Our A1 John was certainly a great player but had to compete against the other schools' best.

Thank you to Mr Choy for all your help, and to our great coaches, Carl and his team.

Max Birch,Captain.



**14 Years Tennis**

**Back Row:** *S.Salagame, I.Lu, S.Chen.*

**Second Row:** *Mr R.Boros (Coach), K.Phan, D.Li, M.Rozsa, K.Cheng, C.Chau, C.Wu, M.Reid.*

**Front Row:** *G.Garayalde, K.Shao, D.Dao, V.George, L.Lu, J.Mok, G.Panas.*



**13 Years Tennis**

**Back Row:** *F.Wu, E.Naoumov, M.Lam, J.Kim, K.Xu, C.Van.*

**Second Row:** *A.Brokman, M.Birch, P.Krakovsky, T.Mok, N.Ly, A.Weinstock, V.Shah, C.Ye.*

**Front Row:** *A.Ayalasomayajula, R.Lee, J.Ho, Mr E.Choy (Coach), K.Leung, L.Zhang, A.Vu.*

# Rowing



## **First Eight**

*Bow: D.Kim, 2: T.Hurrell, 3: A.Komarov, 4: D.O'Keefe, 5: D.Vien, 6: M.Kelly, 7: T.Linegar, Stroke: A.Pham, Cox: P.Desmond.*

## Rowing Assembly

Special guest Jack Singleton, sailing coach Adam South, parents, coaches, staff and students. It is a privilege to be able to welcome you to this annual occasion celebrating the unique place of rowing in the sporting life of High. Rowing represents the highest level of what we stand for in competitive sport - pursuing excellence, contributing your all to team goals and striving for personal best performance. Competitive rowing is an educative experience. The students who will represent us on the day have given up a great deal of their time and have trained very hard for this one day. The Head of the River is not a day for judgement but a day for celebration. This is what can be achieved at the highest schoolboy sporting level. It is a showcase for our talents. We admire our crews for their ability to organise their lives to meet the demands of sport, study and other responsibilities. I hope that many of you in attendance will strive to emulate them in the future. I congratulate all the competing crews on the standard of performance they have achieved - irrespective of the racing results on Saturday. Their life lessons will be enduring.

As usual, the delivery of the rowing program is the largest and most complex sports management activity that High undertakes. Our Coaching Director, Mark Prater brought great skills to the position and related well with the First VIII as did Finn Murray as consultant. David Luscombe again gave of his time and shared his expertise with the boys. Oliver Wilson was very effective with his Second VIII crew. Con and George Barris doubled up on the First Year 10 VIII and the First IV. Tim Glass and James Gerofi shared the load with the Second IV while Andrew Jacques handled the Third IV. Liam Bennett worked with the Second Year 10 VIII. Stalwarts Mark Gainford and Doug Hespe trained the Year 9 quads with James Gerofi. Everett Coan shared the Year 8 quads with Yaegan Doran and Dominic Grimm. Paul Hagan worked with the Year 7s.

Keeping boats and crews on the water were: Chris Watson as Manager, David Daish the perennial Boatman, Viv Littlewood and Sean Creer as assistants to the program, Serdar Bolen as fitness trainer, Jason Tassell for his weights training program and Tim Wilson as ever as trailer tower. With the Rowing Committee taking care of

catering and overnight camp management and regatta administration, this group of over thirty people sustains and supports our students. I extend my wholehearted thanks to you all.

Aristotle cautioned long ago that "we are what we repeatedly do. Excellence therefore, is not an act but a habit." Preparation is the key to success in any endeavour. Aristotle was on about training the mind and body. Achieving excellence in training can get you into the final, but something else is needed to win it. Muhammad Ali, the great boxer-showman, fed on self-efficacy and self-belief. He believed that "champions aren't made in the gyms. Champions are made from something they have deep inside them - a desire, a dream, a vision." He knew he was going to win, often in what round. He had visualised his bouts and seen himself as the victor. He talked himself up. For most of his career, he then went out and became the vision. You have to believe you are capable of reaching a goal then build the belief that you are going to get there. I hope all crews can take on these two big personal and team challenges and reach the goals they have set for themselves.

Our special guest today is Mr Jack Singleton. In his first season of rowing Jack (1990) rowed in the 2 seat of the Sydney High First Four. With two other novice rowers in the boat, the first four surprised many to place second at the Head of the River. The next season, Jack stroked the Sydney High First VIII. After school Jack continued rowing at Sydney Rowing Club where he rowed in the Sydney Youth Eight. Five members of the Sydney Youth Eight went on to represent NSW and Australia. Jack did not. And it still annoys him.

Jack's professional career commenced at his father's advertising agency Singleton Ogilvy & Mather. After learning the trade from his father, Jack moved to New York where he spent two years working as a copywriter at the world's largest advertising agency group J.Walter Thompson. Jack returned to Australia in 1998 to start his own advertising agency. Jack's clients include: Discovery Channel, Meadow Lea, The National Museum of Australia and Nudie Juice.

Having seen the success of the 'phone names' concept while in the USA (phone names are the alphanumeric translations of phone numbers like 1-800-COLLECT, Jack lobbied the Australian Government for six years to release the number ranges to make 'phone names' possible in

Australia. Jack's company - Phone Name Marketing - now provides phone names to some of Australia's largest companies including Westpac, Harvey Norman, AAPT and Telstra.

In his spare time, Jack provides marketing services to the Bluetongue Brewery - a company Jack is a shareholder of. One of the Bluetongue brands - Bondi Blonde - brought Paris Hilton to Australia in January this year to judge Miss Bondi Blonde 2007. Jack will not be telling any Paris Hilton stories today.

Please welcome colourful advertising and marketing identity, Mr Jack Singleton.

Dr Jaggar

## Captain of Boats

*[This is an edited version of the speech given by Tom Hurrell at the Rowing Assembly.]*

**G**uest speaker Mr Singleton, Dr Jaggar, Mr Barris, distinguished guests, teachers and boys; I thank you all for attending the rowing assembly.

Before I get onto the seniors, I'd like to congratulate and address some other members of the rowing family.

To the juniors, congratulations on a competitive season. The junior sheds have some colourful characters that have proven that they aren't afraid to do the hard yards, get their legs down and beat some private schools so well done boys. I wish you all the best for the seasons to come and I hope that rowing will do as much for you as it has done for me.

There are lots of people that need to be thanked for making rowing possible outside of the coaching body. I am just going to mention a few who I believe need special recognition. Firstly Mr Barris for his ongoing and epic role as master of rowing, David Daish our wonderful boatman, Chris Watson, driver and organiser and Tim Wilson out trailer driver.

There are many other people who need to be thanked but I believe that they know who they are and have already been thanked at the rowing dinner.

To Nelson and the year tens, I remember my first head of the river race and I'm sure I will never forget it for the rest of my life. The same I have no doubt will happen for you, when you're out on the

course, give it everything you have and you will get the result you desire. I look forward to celebrating with you all afterwards.

To James Mackay and the Fours, you'd have trouble finding a nicer group of guys in the world. Rowing really isn't about being in the top crews, it's about challenging yourselves and achieving with your mates. The guts of the Fours has been a great inspiration to the Eights. I wish each of the Fours the very best tomorrow.

I'm going to take this opportunity to send out a little message to the school about rowing, and life in general. You don't have to be good at it when you start, as long as you are involved and having fun, and the simple truth is that if you get involved and you work hard you will become good at what you do. To the junior boys I'd like you to all think about getting more actively involved in school life, seize the moment and challenge yourself, try one season of rowing and see if you have it in yourself to manage the mental and physical demands. But whatever you do don't reach year 12 and look back at all the things you could have done and think, "why didn't I do that?"

I have had some discussion with Dr Jaggar about this speech and he said to me that I really don't need to say much about the senior sheds, the mere fact that they exist and are up on the stage is enough and is deserved of special recognition. Throughout the Season the senior boys have managed to train hard six days a week waking some of those days at five am and at the same time keep up with their schoolwork, which to the teachers I assure you is no small feat. Commitment at this level requires a lot passion and determination and focus. The boys have spent a lot of time together, and at times we have grown sick of each other, but ultimately have forged close friendships built on trust and respect for one another's efforts.

To the rowers, it's been an honour to row with you, and share some great experiences as well as low points. In true high spirit we have pulled through and I am enthusiastic yet at the same time sad to be lining up on the lake tomorrow for the last time.

Ollie Wilson is coach of the second eight. He has a wonderful natural ability as a teacher and coach but at the same time communicates with the boys on an even level. Because of this Ollie has become very much a boy's boy and is regarded as a close friend by many.

The 2nd VIII reads as follows, from bow:

The young and determined *Brynley Pfull*.

*Andrew Leung* is full of high spirit carried on from his brother Kelvin. It's nice to see family tradition at the sheds.

The hard working *Shahar Merom* in the 3 seat.

In the 4 5 and 7 seats *Harry Song*, *Kevin Lee* and *Aaron Shuttleworth* respectively are in their second season rowing in the second eight. Each of these boys was just off the pace for a spot in the firsts, and I think they deserve a special recognition for their impressive attitudes toward rowing. It's difficult to miss out on you want by such a small margin, but each of them has displayed impressive maturity by moving on and rowing to their best ability in the second eight. They are each highly valuable members of their crew, the senior sheds and indeed the school.

*Harry Reid* a very tall and hard working young man in the 6 seat.

The exciting *Rob Chen* has grabbed the stroke seat

*Andrew Huang*, a much-loved character around the sheds and an extremely talented and admirable coxswain is now using his skills to lead the second eight.

*Fin Murray* and *Dave Luscombe* gave everything as coaches of the VIII.

*Mark Prater* already knows what the boys think of him. I'd like to thank Prater for all his time and effort this year. I'm not sure how much more Sydney High can ask of him, especially seeing as he is in hot demand as a extremely talented young coach.

The First VIII from bow is:

*David Kim* is a tough rower who really shines in racing conditions.

*Anton Komarov's* commitment is notable and

along with his power and enthusiasm is important to the crew. He has a great future at the sheds.

*Danno O'Keefe* gives everything his best and his raw effort does a lot to boost the crew, he will be very important in the middle kilometre tomorrow.

*David Vien* gives everything 100% effort. He has an amazing focus when the time is right and has been a pillar of strength all year.

*Mitch Kelly* is this year's rower of the year! He took up the rowing challenge this year and within three months found a spot in the VIII. Mitch has shown that through the application of determination and spirit to keep trying and improving you can achieve almost anything.

*Ty Linegar* has earned a reputation as a tough, challenging rower who pushes himself and those around him. His speed, strength and aggression are all valuable to the crew.

*Andrew Pham*. To the year sevens and eights out there, if you want a role model at Sydney High pick this guy. AQ is the stroke of the eight, he rowed in the eight last year, and I think that everyone who rows would agree with me, he is the best oarsman in the sheds.

Our Cox is superstar *Paddy Desmond*.

I have two final quotes that I'm going to finish with, both from rowing coaches, the first Rolf Arands and the second Jim Deitz. These quotes are for the boys standing in front of you right now, who have given their sweat and passion time and time again for each other, for the school's history and for its future.

The first quote reads as follows "there will come a point in the race, when you alone will need to decide. You will need to make a choice. Do you really want it? You will need to decide." The second "everyone has the desire to win, but only champions have the desire to prepare."

To all the rowers, you have made the decision to prepare and that has made you all champions, now the only question left is do you really want it?

I'd now like to ask the school to help us decide, I give you the First VIII for 2007.

Tom Hurrell, Captain of Boats.

## First Eight

**T**raining for the aspirants of the prestigious Sydney High First VIII began weeks, if not months before the season itself. This training began in the weights room; either early in the mornings or as the darkness crept across the grounds. Every would-be oarsman present knew that the pain suffered would culminate in a single focal point, 31st March, the Head of the River.

Term 4 marked the official start of the season, involving extensive training in the single scull. For the members new to A group, this was as much a test of mental toughness and discipline as it was balance and technical proficiency. The scull separated the strong from the weak as the toughest of the scullers emerged at the front of the pack time and time again during training and the semi-preliminary selections that are the gruelling Head of the Parramatta time trials, involving an effort of one hundred percent over a time of approximately 20 minutes.

A preliminary VIII was selected from the time trials' best performers and sweep blade training began with earnest. This preliminary VIII set out to prove its worth in the Head of the Parramatta, the first semi-race of the season, pitting the GPS crews against each other. The First VIII emerged bitterly disappointed, but infused with a new strength and courage with which to train. A hunger to succeed surfaced and the training regime, once again, was attacked with vigour by all the members of A squad, and especially the VIII.

The annual January camp saw re-selections; this resulted in the up and coming members of B squad move up to contest seats in the Second VIII. Throughout the selection camp the First VIII remained unchanged, and would remain so for the remainder of the season.

Racing began with zeal and the First VIII charged out onto the river, eager to establish ourselves as a force to be reckoned with. Early successes included a victory over both Scots and Joeys, being traditional rowing powerhouses, and strong performances against the other schools. Unfortunately, the crew was subject to many seating changes, which may have damaged the cohesion as the members had to alter their rowing styles according to the oarsman they were supporting. These seating changes were many and due to the constrictive nature of the rowing season,

not enough time was given to allow for the slight technical calibrations needed to race effectively as a crew.

On the day of days, as is typical of any High crew; the First VIII lined up, shot out of the blocks, and gave it everything. The race was rowed exactly according to the plan devised by master coaches Mark Prater, Dave Luscombe and Fin Murray; sadly this was to prove to be inadequate. The crews we had beaten earlier in the season inched their way past, our efforts doing nothing but momentarily slowing their implacable advance.

As the VIII looks back on the season, a feeling of regret emerges, but this is to be taken as a lesson. For those coming back next year; the results that you desire will not be achieved by mere luck or miracle - they must be earned in the six months beforehand, paid for with the age old adage of 'blood sweat and tears.' This also imparts a valuable life lesson - to never lose sight of your long term goal.

On behalf of the crew I would like to thank our extremely knowledgeable coaches who give up their time and dedication to see the sport of rowing flourish at High. If not for the generous input of these wonderful men we would realistically be far further behind the competition.

Andrew Pham, Stroke.

## Second Eight

**T**he Sydney Boys High School Senior Second VIII had a fantastic season in shadow of the First VIII, but the benefits reaped by all made the season worthwhile from start to end. Comprising of Brynley Pfull in the bow seat, Andrew Leung in the 2 seat, Shahar Merom in the 3 seat, Harry Song in the 4 seat, Kevin Lee in the 5 seat, Harrison Reid in the 6 seat, Aaron Shuttleworth in the 7 seat, Robert Chen in the stroke seat, Andrew Huang as coxswain, the Second VIII proudly represented the school in many regattas including the State Championships, National Championships, NSWCHS Championships and the annual AAGPS Schoolboys Head of the River.

The majority of the crew underwent strenuous pre-season training including weights, strength and conditioning programs, aerobic running, enaerobic running, core training, ergometer training and single-sculling. Months of hard work





### **Second Eight**

*Bow: B.Pfull, 2: A.Leung, 3: S.Merom, 4: H.Song, 5: K.Lee, 6: H.Reid, 7: A.Shuttleworth,  
Stroke: R.Chen, Cox: A.Huang.*

and guidance from coaches Fin Murray, Mark Prater, Ollie Wilson, George Barris and Con Barris, resulted in a very impressive-looking year of High Rowing. The January Selections were soon upon us and involved a single-scull race followed by hours of seat-racing. It was then that the Second VIII was initially selected to row together as one crew.

A fun training camp followed the selections at the sheds and the Second VIII was starting to shape up and were looking very strong as a crew. Friendships were forged and strengthened. All of A group can look back on those nights and remember those dinner conversations and those cages and those midnight bicep curls.

The training intensified as the racing season approached. The crew remained unchanged and looked quite scary. Day and night we trained vigorously until our biceps were just bursting with immeasurable quantities of muscle. Before we knew it, racing season was upon the Second VIII. Pumped with much testosterone, we were overeager to flex our muscles and power on the racecourse and failed to perform at the first

regatta. We raced passionately and often appeared quite scary and imposing to the other schools. We rowed with High spirit and pride and dignity and always finished the winners in heart.

In early March, the First VIII and Second VIII journeyed down to Shepparton in Victoria to race at the National Championships. The First VIII raced in an eight and did exceptionally well, recording a blistering personal best time of 6 minutes and 17 seconds over the two kilometre sprint course. The Second VIII was split up into two quad sculls, one being the better crew; Shahar Merom in bow seat, Harry Song in 2 seat, Kevin Lee in 3 seat and Aaron Shuttleworth in stroke seat. The rest were placed in the other quad scull; Brynley Pfull in the bow seat, Andrew Leung in 2 seat, Harrison Reid in 3 seat, Robert Chen in stroke seat. Both quadsculls united in the final race but Chen's crew showed up both Melbourne High School and the 'better' crew in a very tight well-fought race. Patrick Desmond was 'temporarily' promoted to the First VIII as coxswain from the Second VIII at this stage and must be congratulated. Credit however goes to Andrew

Huang who became the Second VIII coxswain several weeks out from the end and must be commended on his positive attitude.

The AAGPS Schoolboys Head of the River was the race of all races, the most glorious race of our season, where we emptied ourselves out on the Sydney International Regatta Centre racecourse for our school, our coaches, for those who rowed before us, our mates, our crew members, the man in front, the man behind and for ourselves. We rowed well but unfortunately were unable to place in a very fast-finishing race. So ended a glorious and memorable season.

The crew at the Head of the River is as follows;

Coxswain- Andrew Huang

Stroke- Robert Chen

7 man- Aaron Shuttleworth

6 man- Harrison Reid

5 man- Kevin Lee

4 man- Harry Song

3 man- Shahar Merom

2 man- Andrew Leung

Bowman- Brynley Pfull

Subsequently we travelled to the NSWCHS Championships. We came. We saw. We conquered. Robert Chen, Stroke.

## **First Four**

**I**n a sport with such stiff competition, High crews are infamous for their defeatist attitudes. Such beliefs are easy to snub with words - it takes little effort to tell your mates that you believe in them, that an opponent's 'only advantage over us is psychological', or that 'we only lost because that's all we've ever done before'. But to actually believe these things inside is something much tougher. Rowing is tough.

With this in mind, the members of the Sydney High First IV 2007 were a privileged five boys - one of the few High crews that got to drink from the cup of mild success. This success was achieved through a fantastic coaching team, hard and focused training, deep crew friendships, humour, a new boat, and a slight irreverence for the school's traditions - specifically its reliable history of disappointment.

The crew members came together at the January camp, and from then onward, the team never changed. They were: Ben Palau, Winston

Lee, Tim Joo, James Mackay and Hayden Schilling as coxswain. I cannot express my admiration for these guys and the effort they put in for each other. Our coaches included Con Barris, George Barris, James Gerofi, Tim Glass and Andrew Jacques.

Regattas each Saturday saw us beat Scots in every race, and Grammar in all but two. We could only ever achieve what our history led us to consider we could. We knew a team which lost early on would never pick up from defeat because the facts would be too hard to ignore, and so the season became an exercise of putting the facts on our side. This gave us hope, and every success was a proponent of the next. We began to create our own small 'history': not of disappointment, but of accomplishment.

At the Gold Cup regatta, we managed to defeat Scots, Grammar and Joeys, and came within seconds of Newington. The stage was set for a memorable Head of the River.

The Rowing assembly got us wound up. We had heard that crews who have succeeded have been the ones who had little knowledge of the history and therefore didn't feel its weight. They were the crews who won because they didn't know they were High and that they were supposed to lose. Jack Singleton's speech at the rowing assembly confirmed these ideas in our minds.

In a lane close to the roaring High gazebo, we pushed through the pain, the sting and the agony of it all to defeat Scots and Grammar to place sixth at the GPS Head of the River. The result was expected. We had either treated the Head of the River just like any other race, or we had treated every race like the Head of the River. Both were, in some ways, commendable. We went on to place first, as the same crew, in the CHS Open Men's Coxed Four on the Clarence River whilst a thunderstorm decided to assault Grafton for the first time in a hundred years, only during our event.

The First IV '07 was a crew which loved its rowing, did not take it too seriously and cherished the good times while they were there. For this reason our memories of the season are only proud and fond. We are so grateful to the coaches and the rewards they have given us, particularly the Barrises. These are people who don't have to do what they do. We are glad they do it. Thanks.

James Mackay, Stroke.

## Rowing



### **First Four**

*Cox: H.Schilling, Bow: T.Joo, 2: W.Lee, 3: B.Palau, Stroke: J.Mackay.*



### **Second Four**

*Cox: P.Radhakrishnan, Bow: J.Freiman, 2: Y-Z.Guo, 3: N.McDonnell, Stroke: C.Andrews.*

## Second Four

The Second four had a very mixed season, with many crew changes throughout all the fours - the crews weren't finally settled till later in the season, and as a result the Second Four had a shaky start to the season. When the crew was finally reshuffled the finalized Second IV consisted of me as stroke, Nathan McDonnell at 3, Yun-Zhe Guo at 2, Josh "Pinky" Freiman in the bow and our coxswain Pravin "Pukmed" Radhakrishnan. For Nathan and me this was our first season and looked to the senior members Yun-Zhe and Pinky for the guidance in gelling as a crew. With persistence and 5am wake-up calls we drastically improved our times over the season. Even at heated times our Coach Tim Glass always managed to cool us off with his insightful comments. The Kings regatta was the first regatta at SIRC of the season which gave the crew a small taste of what happens at Head of the River, with a good row and the whole crew happy we saw that we were finally bonding as a crew. With just over two weeks till the big race we were preparing for The Gold Cup. With another week under our belt we were at the start line of the Gold Cup with adrenaline pumping waiting for the starting "beep". With colourful ways of encouragement from our coxswain Pravin, we were over the finish line ahead of Kings and narrowly missing out on a position in the final.

With this very encouraging result we were finally ready for Head of the River. The day consisted of an early wake-up call and little food and many butterflies in our stomachs. With only one practice row we were ready for our race. With our final thoughts on the wise words said to us by our coach Tim Glass we headed to the start line. Unfortunately at the start of the race we had an equipment failure and the race official did not stop the race, this left us well behind, however we tried to the very end. This did not fracture the bonds we had built up during the season and we left SIRC that day unhappy but still a tight crew.

This season brought many ups and down, many crabs, tears and laughter and many close bonds and skills we will take on into the rest of the world. Chris Andrews, Stroke.

## Third Four

The 2006-2007 season for the IVs was always going to be an exciting season right from the start. For the returning year 12s it was about improving on their previous season, and for the year 11s it was about proving their worth in their first year of open rowing. The beginning of the season saw B group going out in various mixed VIIIs in order to improve on the technique of all of us before rowing in our own crews. This proved vital, especially to the new rowers as they quickly picked up good technique, while the seasoned rowers polished theirs. Preliminary crews were chosen after a grueling seat racing session in Hen & Chicken Bay, and the margins amongst all rowers were extremely narrow.

Our first race was the 4.5km shed race which saw all the crews from the lowest junior crew to the First VIII, row down this long stretch of the Parramatta River in order to be crowned the quickest crew in the sheds and more importantly, earn themselves a free High burger for each crew member.

Despite rowing well, and placing some decent times up on the board, the IVs hadn't quite gained a racing mentality and this was to be our focus for the January camp. Before the January camp however something extremely exciting happened, the First IV received a brand new boat, the Dave Luscombe, which meant that each subsequent crew would be able to upgrade their boat to the next best available.

In the January Camp we focused on two things, bringing our fitness back to the level required, and preparing for the races which were just around the corner. This camp tested the physical and mental limits of all B group rowers, having to row multiple sessions on the one day, while having to endure each other for three days and nights. Perhaps the hardest day was one where we had two morning rows, one to Silverwater and the other to the Bridges, followed by a 10km run to Gladesville Bridge and back, and to finish off the day we were supposed to go out for a light tech session, however Gerofi decided we would row to the Bridges and somehow managed to slip in a few full pressure pieces for good measure. All these training sessions only improved our rowing, and by the time school started, all three IVs were looking strong.



**ThirdFour**

*Cox: M.Denny-Smith, Bow: P.Malek, 2: I.Nadkarni, 3: J.Phu, Stroke: K.Ahmed.*



**First Year Ten Eight**

*Bow: A.Belokopytov, 2: R.Chen, 3: C.Chen, 4: A.Tsiaillis, 5: N.Dimitropoulos, 6: T.Harvey, 7: M.Ling,  
Stroke: N.Ridges, Cox: G.Deacon.*

The first two races were unfortunate as the new rowers were not quite experienced in racing against the other schools and it seemed as though the veteran rowers had forgotten what it felt like. Nevertheless we set our sights on improving. The coaches then felt that crew changes were required, so while the Vllls were up at SIRC for the State Championships and the Sydney Rowing Club Regatta, once again the IVs endured two long weekends where we sat raced up at Homebush Bay, on one occasion rowing down the 1.1km course ten times on a ridiculously hot day. This seat racing proved the worth of the new rowers as some of them managed to move up a crew.

By now we had our strongest crews possible and Third IV set out under the guidance of their new coach Andrew Jacques. The first regatta rowing as a crew saw us get off to a flying start and staying ahead of Joeys and Newington, however fitness proved costly and in the last stretch they pulled ahead of us. This result only made us even more determined and the following week we aimed to get ahead and stay ahead. This was not to be - it was the Kings Regatta at SIRC, and one of our crew members, Peter Malek was injured, and our coxswain, Michael Denny-Smith had to fill in. Once again a lack of fitness and experience at SIRC saw the race slip away from us. With Peter injured for our next few races, we suffered at the hands of the other schools, however enormous credit must go to Michael for his tremendous effort, it's not easy to race as a rower when you're a coxswain.

Peter finally returned and we looked ahead to complete our season on a high note, preparing for the Gold Cup and more importantly Head of The River. The week leading up to the Gold Cup saw our coach Andrew busy with uni, so Ollie Wilson brought down his coaching experience from the Vllls to train us. In the two weeks with Ollie, our crew improved significantly, peaking at just the right time in the season. The Gold Cup, however, saw us denied a spot in the final as we were placed in the faster heat, but we still proved to be very competitive, and were only a few seconds off the pace. Head of The River was now less than a week away and nerves were building all round. For the Year 12s, this would be the last time they ever rowed down SIRC in the blue and brown, and the year 11s wanted to send their fellow rowers out proudly.

The warm up row down the course saw us rowing at our optimum, with everything going perfectly. This calmed our nerves significantly, and put us in the right mindset for the most important race of our season which was only a few hours away. The Head of The River race, saw the Third IV rowing at its best, managing to keep a steady pace with all the other crews for the entire 2 km. Unfortunately, the lane draw meant that we were on the far side to our home crowd, but when the entire crew puts their all in, it doesn't matter, and we had crowds from other schools spur us on anyway. We finished the race falling just behind the pack of other schools. This wasn't to ruin our celebrations though as we beat Grammar by a solid thirty seconds. Each and every crew member knew that they hadn't held back during the race, and we were all extremely proud and happy with our final race. A big thank you must go to our fellow rowers, the coaches: Andrew Jacques, Oliver Wilson, Mark Prater, George Barris, Con Barris, James Geroft, Tim Glass, and Fin Murray, Mr. Daish for doing a spectacular job in looking after the boats, Viv Littlewood for his help in many housekeeping matters around the sheds, and the parents for all their support during the camps and various other times.

The Final Crew for the Third IV, 2007 is as follows: Bow: Peter Malek; 2 Seat: Ishan Nadkarni; 3 Seat: Jason Phu; Stroke: Khalid Ahmed; Coxswain: Michael Denny-Smith  
Khalid Ahmed, Stroke.

## **First Year 10 Eight**

**O**ur time had finally come to prove ourselves as athletes in the senior shed. This step of the journey entailed a massive amount of hard work, commitment and responsibility. The hard work had to be put in from everyone, not just the rowers themselves but also our coaches and through this effort our season was made a whole lot easier. The commitment to each other was also a large step up from junior rowing in that we had now doubled our rowing sessions per week and if one member was not there, the purpose of the exercise was often lost.

The crew bond within this crew was phenomenal as we showed in our training program which included 10km ergs, 6km ergs and running time trials. We were also the lightest crew in GPS history with an average weight of 63kgs. All our

training was built around working efficiently as a crew, utilizing our lower weight and moving our boat to our maximum strength. Our crew bond was also strengthened with the annual Year 10 VIII trip to Melbourne.

Our first Head of the River was a monumental occasion as this was the event of our dreams. Not to sound overly clichéd but it was six months work into seven minutes of pain. With quotes like these running around the sheds it was obvious it was going to be the most important day of our lives. The way we raced HOR was very indicative of our crew. We began the race with our goal to beat Newington, thinking this would give us a fifth place over Scots and Grammar. Newington and us had an intense rivalry during the season, which culminated at HOR. In our first race 0.6 of a second separated us. In our next 2 seconds separated us. But in HOR we were going to make amends for this and put on our most dominant display.

We began our race feeling good. We were neck and neck with Newington but Scots and Grammar had gotten away from us. By the halfway mark we were staring down the barrel of coming last in our first HOR. As we put on our efforts we came back to Newington but they were still a boat length in front with 500m to go. A seemingly impossible task to move up from here. With our final 250m push we took Newington in front of the High crowd with only 20 strokes to go. Effectively we put 6 seconds on Newington in 20 strokes. We moved from a full boat length down to winning by half a boat length. It was the toughest push we had ever made at the end of the toughest race of our lives but we gave it all and came out on top of Newington which was our goal. We ended the race in seventh place in a race in which we were destined to come last.

After the effort shown on the day I can safely assure you that there was nothing that our crew was lacking. We had everything we could. We did everything right. We even put it together on the day. It was just unfortunate that Scots and Grammar got us.

First Year 10 VIII 2007:

Bow: Alik Belokopytov - An extremely hard working member of the crew with his words of wisdom never missing the spot.

2: Roy Chen - An aggressive rower who was always prepared to put in the extra.

3: Clive Chen - Well, being under 60kgs is usually a disadvantage but he rowed with great length and always kept us laughing.

4: Anthony Tsailis - "D" was the member that every crew has to have. Never failed to produce a moment that we couldn't laugh at, often at his expense. A great boat mover.

5: Nicholas Dimitropoulos - One of our lanks. Being over 6 foot and only 65 kgs produces a certain kind of person. Extremely bony. Nevertheless he put in a huge effort rowing with length and strength.

6: Tom Harvey - Our other lank. What he lacked on land he certainly made up for on the water. Rowing with ultimate length, he produced the biggest puddles in the crew consistently.

7: Matt Ling - A force to be reckoned with. He always put in a huge effort with everything he did whilst motivating the crew along with it.

Cox: Gareth Deacon - His second year as cox of the First Year 10 VIII. He led us with experience and aggression in race time. Spending time with the senior crews at Nationals certainly helped him a lot.

Nelson Ridges, Stroke.

## Second Year 10 Eight

The 2006-7 rowing season started with much fuss and high hopes for the Year 10 Vllls. With the promising outlook of new rowers and a merely probable third year 10 VIII, it seemed like the season would be a successful one. However, without sufficient numbers, numerous spares remained fighting for spots in two Vllls. The first ever 2 km erg proved a new and fierce challenge, and although most rowers established high standards with exceptional times or showed an impressive amount of stamina and strength, there were vast improvements to be made.

When problems with the Head of the Parramatta arose, the GPS schools decided to privately race on the river. With all schools overtaking us, it was clear that the Second VIII's weakness was endurance and mental toughness. The defeat cleared false dreams as schools we easily defeated last year had now upped the ante. Rigorous training sessions and overnight camps toughened our technical efficiency and will power, our strength and crew chemistry.

The Melbourne boys came up to Sydney for



## Rowing



### **Second Year Ten Eight**

*Bow: N.Street, 2: D.Stojanavic, 3: J.Eriksson, 4: G.Astafiev, 5: J.Santoso, 6: A.Kwok 7: J.Wachsmann,  
Stroke: J.Nguyen, Cox: M.Nguyen*



### **First Year Nine Quad**

*Bow: G.Denny-Smith, 2: J.Whiting, 3: D.Chen, Stroke: S.Darcy, Cox: E.Wong.*

our annual exchange and were met with much anticipation, as they were the first school to which we could improve our sprints. The day was cold and drab, the wind blowing against us painfully. The first race was a brisk one where our bodies were just getting warmed up. Sheer determination and blind luck pushed us ahead of the Melbourne crew as they struggled to keep up on the rough Parramatta River waters. The bowman dropped out but we were fierce competitors nevertheless. Melbourne left but our satisfaction didn't.

The then crew were impatiently waiting for our trip to Melbourne, but unfortunately at this point we had lost James Lee, a very experienced and strong rower whose family issues tore him from the rowing program. Nevertheless, a new crew had to be drafted for the upcoming races. Training would of course be unpredictable and the turnouts less than outstanding. Holiday runs pulled committed rowers from their busy holiday schedules and honed our stamina.

After being disappointed by the Grammar regatta and the margins it produced, whatever training sessions we had were devoted to efficient technique, the Melbourne trip was coming. The trip proved our fears, that the long distance was not our forte. Losing the first 2km race we had ever raced from cockiness and the second race by the slightest of margins, the last endurance race was foreboding, and which we ultimately lost. Being disappointed again, we returned driven on improving fitness. However, the trip was an extremely enjoyable one.

As much training as we could squeeze in, the season was much too disturbed. Time after time disruptions occurred, from lightning storms during seat racing to constant crew changes every few sessions. Meagre turnouts at land training, the weights program and on the water sessions tarnished what seemed like a proficient and strong crew. The crew performance improved steadily and towards the end of the season the rowing was crisp and solid. A crew had finally been decided for the Gold Cup and the last race - what the coaches decided would benefit our boat the best we trusted. Newcomer Patrick Horton was unlucky to just miss out on the final crew, his developing rowing was very capable and he represented us at the CHS championship. Our hopes were once again raised but unfortunately were wasted at the Gold Cup, the waves were

tremendous, and the hole in the shell that stayed with us all season didn't seem to leave us just yet.

The week leading up to Head of The River was a quiet and calm week. Weights had been scrapped from the training regime at this period of time as no improvements would be evident by the Regatta. Mental strengthening and light technical rows kept our worries at bay. The last race was a clear message of the effort we put into rowing. Last we may have been, but by far it was the best race we had ever finished. Trailing so close to Grammar, we were still pleased with the season and all the hardships that it threw at us only made us stronger, and more willing for the next season.

The final crew from bow to stroke is: Neil Street, Denis Stojanovic, James Eriksson, Grigori Astafiev, Johan Santoso, Alden Kwok, Jack Wachsmann, Jason Nguyen at stroke and Matthew Nguyen at Cox.

Jason Nguyen, Stroke

## **First Year 9 Quad**

**T**he 2006-07 rowing season was for the first quad of year 9 a tough and arduous experience. It was probably the most challenging season the crew had faced yet, with injury surrounding the quad for most of the season and some disappointing close losses. The first quad rowed consistently and improved throughout the season, growing as a whole.

The year 9 first quad consisted at the start of the season of Eric Wong as coxswain, Sam Darcy as stroke, myself, Dale Chen as three-man, George Denny-Smith as two-man and James Whiting rounding up the crew as the imposing bowman. However this selected crew was soon to be broken up with the loss of arguably the best stroke in the year, Mr Sam Darcy (also the stroke of the year 8 first quad last season), bowing out mid season due to a terribly unfortunate back problem, which somehow, as in the ways of how many injuries form, seemed to morph into an uncanny and equally unfortunate knee injury keeping him out for good. Our crew's loss was undoubtedly a large one and we were quite disheartened for a large extent of time, but gained hope when we learnt of who was to replace Sam, the finely accomplished rower (and rugby player on a little side note) by the name of Mr Michael Ambrose. Michael, who we had borrowed from the second quad, added a unique charismatic quality to our crew when he



**Second Year Nine Quad**

*Bow: N.Nguyen, 2: M.Phillis, 3: A.Blomberg, Stroke: M.Ambrose, Cox: J.Wormell.*



**Third Year Nine Quad**

*Bow: C.Jiang, 2: J.Han, 3: V.Boulavine, Stroke: J.Lee, Cox: P.Radhakrishnan.*

joined us mid season, although maybe not comparable in the same way to the likes of Mr Darcy, was still formidable and essential to our crew's success during the season.

With the crew members changed, a seat change was also now in order and soon into the midseason we solidified our seats in the boat, the new positions being myself as the new stroke, Mr Whiting as three-man, Mr Denny-Smith as two man and our newly appointed first quaddie Mr Ambrose as bowman.

As the season progressed with our newly formed crew we went from strength to strength. Placing consistently seconds and thirds with respectable times we surged forward, never once crossing the line with Kings, Newington or Scots in front of us. If I may add, this was thanks to the great power houses of the first quad, George Denny-Smith and James Whiting. Each amazing in there own way, contributing to the row of the boat; George, the highest erg scorer of the first and second quads, using his brute strength and force, surging the boat forward a great deal. Without his amazing power I doubt we would have even reached the finish line. And James Whiting, a superb rower with more stamina then power thrust. Out in front was Michael, always knowing when and how to get us to row harder, encouraging us with his eloquent pleas when we felt so exhausted mid race, as if we were about to spontaneously combust, without him we would not have been able to row, we wouldn't have had any will to do so. We also had another rower, Dale Chen, who helped us make up numbers. But rowing is not all there is to a row boat, and saying this I will tell you now of Eric Wong, our most impressive coxswain whose guidance of a boat was unparallel to any that I have ever seen before. His light weight also gave us an added advantage over the other crews, and always having a smile on his face being a great asset to our crew, one just as important as any of us four rowers.

With the crew now adequately described, our season was harshly average. The crew just missed out in placing in the A finals at the Gold Cup, some two or three points behind Joeys, rounding out the finals. However our B final was not as glorious as we would have hoped, due to some controversial starts we only managed to place second out of the GPS schools in our final. Our CHS episode was somewhat better though, with

myself out of the CHS first Year 9 quad due to being of a younger age, the crew obtained Nicholas Dimitropoulos, an excellent rower as well. The crew placed second due to unfortunate weather ambiance, ending the season on a high with a silver medal.

Dale Chen, Stroke.

## Second Year 9 Quad

A new year brings a new report for the progress of this crew. The crew remains as Michael Ambrose, Max Phillis, Andrew Blomberg and me, Nam Nguyen as stroke. However there was a change of coxswains due to our previous one being on holiday. We took in our very own John Wormell as our coxswain.

Our rowing sessions went on as they have always been, with a great deal of fuss from the rowers behind me, things happened like normal. Hearing what John says became our very first problem we encountered during training sessions, "Ease the oar" could easily become "Please me more" which would result in comments from Ambrose who was sitting the furthest from John. This was quickly fixed after giving John some vocal training on how to yell and not whisper - the problem was fixed.

The first Saturday has arrived, and the crew comes together at the sheds early in the morning and we organise our battle plan. Our usual "race start" and "picking a boat to stay ahead of" always became our favourite plan. We lay the boat on the water and were ready to depart for the first race of the season. Mr Gainford was standing on the pontoon telling us his usual words of determination "Get them hard boys!" or "Aim for second place!" were frequently said. We rowed up to the race start and eyed our opponents, our usual team listings, two very scary schools and one more, which was not so scary (usually Scots or Grammar). We pumped ourselves with adrenaline, our hearts beating fast and hard against our chests, sweat already forming on the back of our hands, all was silent, we waited for the call, and then suddenly the signal was given and BEEP! The race had begun.

Unfortunately for us, this was where we encountered our next problem and it was in the middle of our very first race. We pulled our race start with mastered perfection of "half-half-three quarters-full" and were immediately in the lead. Our previous coxswain would be yelling his entire

vocal chords out at this point of the race, but our John decided to stay cool. With the other crews' coxswains completely going berserk upon their rowers we quickly lost our position in front to the two scary quads and tied with Scots. The Scots were quickly gaining upon us at about halfway through the racecourse and their coxswain was yelling muffled words to his crew, our spirits were falling. Then suddenly, an outburst from somewhere in the boat, "We can't lose to Scots!! C'mon boys! Let's take them!" Knowing now that it came from Michael, our spirits rose dramatically.

With our minds linked, we concluded that we have never lost to Scots and never shall and we instantly exploded with energy. The boat moved with unmatched speed and we were boat lengths ahead of Scots in a matter of several seconds. John, now realising that he had been completely in his own world in the past few minutes snapped into action, and for once, we heard some encouraging words from our coxswain. "Row harder!" and "You're losing to two crews by eight boatlengths!" were inaudibly said by John, but we somehow knew he had said those words and took them as encouragement anyway.

We finished third place out of four, which wasn't too bad knowing that we had beaten Scots. In our very first race, we had learnt a great deal of our inner-selves. Especially that it wasn't only muscle and power that pulled the boat but the High spirit that shines with them. Throughout the season, second quad has contributed a massive effort to improvement and teamwork, as stroke I'd like to say, well done boys, well done indeed and I hope that the same spirit will aid you all when we row in eights.

Nam Nguyen, Stroke.

### **Fifth Year 9 Quad**

**T**his was my first season of rowing, and I relished the chance of racing in a quad. There were many changes in the quad line up, with Puneet Baweja, David Gu, Greg Shargorodsky, Lachlan Chant, Tian-yu Li, Jack Musgrove and myself in the quad during various stages of the season. However, the quad for most of the season was Tian-yu Li, David Gu, Lachlan Chant and myself, with Hayden Schilling as our cox.

We were a big crew, with none of us shorter than 170cm. (except for the cox)

One thing I will remember about this season is the enthusiasm and guts that we all rowed with. In many of our races, we placed G.P.S 2nd, after Shore, Kings or Newington.

One race that I remember in full detail is the third last race, in which we were locked side by side with Joeys, and with our muscles burning, hearts pumping and arms pumping like pistons, we pulled ahead of Joeys with thirty metres to go and came second. I will cherish this memory for our efforts, how we never gave up.

I would like to thank Mr Hespe and Mr Barris for their coaching, Hayden for his coxing and the rest of the quad for trying their very best.

Yes, we were not the best rowers in the year, but our sheer determination and enthusiasm would be hard to match by any quad. Thanks to the quad, and I look forward to next season.

Daniel Kim, Stroke.

### **Sixth Year 9 Quad**

**T**he Year Nine Sixth Quad had a great summer season of rowing. We had our ups and downs but overall we have become great friends with each other and we have had fun rowing together. For the first couple of races we were unable to race due to higher quads demanding rowers because they were short of people. However, towards the end of the season we had gathered a collection of strong fourths and a close third. We spent our last couple of weeks of the season training hard for the Riverview Gold Cup Regatta on the Lane Cove River and we managed to secure a strong third in that major event.

We from sixth quad would like to thank all the people who made this amazing season possible for us, especially Mr Barris who is the life of the rowing sheds. We would also like to thank Mr Hespe, our rowing coach who has put in lots of his effort and time to help us become better rowers.

Puneet Baweja, Stroke.

### **Second Year 8 Quad**

**T**he second quad of Year 8 2007 was a strong crew. The only thing that held us back from our full potential was our mind set. We suffered from a bit of over-confidence, but we dealt with that by the end of the season.

One of the highlights of the season for us was



**Fourth Year Nine Quad**

*Bow: G.Shargorodsky, 2: M.Carr, 3: K.Su, Stroke: A.Banh, Cox: H.Karunakaran.*



**Fifth Year Nine Quad**

*Bow: J.Musgrove, 2: T.Y.Li, 3: L.Chant, Stroke: D.Kim, Cox: H.Schilling.*

## *Rowing*



### **Sixth Year Nine Quad**

*Bow: A.Tran, 2: S.Kim, 3: A.Low, Stroke: P.Baweja, Cox: V.Mohan.*



### **First Year Eight Quad**

*Bow: J.Petrie, 2: K.Lin, 3: K.Fang, Stroke: M.Connell, Cox: A.Chung.*



the annual shed race. In this race we achieved the unexpected in that we beat our first quad by a convincing six seconds. This gave our confidence levels way too much of a boost and we were brought back to earth the next week in our first GPS regatta. We came fourth in this regatta only beating Cranbrook. This was a disappointing result and motivated us to work hard at training for the next week. Our hard work was paid off when we came a convincing second beating Kings, Grammar and Cranbrook to the line.

Before we knew it we were approaching the final fling for junior rowers in the season - the Gold Cup. We trained hard but on the day we were outclassed by all crews bar Cranbrook. The longer course took its toll as in the last 200 metres we went from second to fourth, overtaken by Joeys and Grammar.

At the end of the season we had an average of fourth and we had improved our rowing as well as our general fitness. I'd like to thank our coach Ollie Wilson and Mr Coan for helping to improve our rowing and keeping us motivated.

Tim Gollan, Stroke.

## Third Year 8 Quad

Cox: Johnny Chen; Stroke: Ryan Caetano; 3: Andrew Gaffney; 2: Kevin Tian; Bow: Luke Vlatko

The season started off fairly well for the third quad, a third placing in the first race of the season. The next few races were disappointing though with fourth place the majority of the time.

When the gold cup was upon us, we trained hard but a car accident prevented Luke Vlatko from attending, dousing our spirits. When the race came, our result was also disappointing. The result did not reflect our performance however. For half of the race we kept up just half a boat length behind first place, but then our 3-man, Andrew Gaffney's seat broke and for the remainder of the race we rowed with three men. We did still manage to beat Cranbrook.

We would like to thank our coaches, Yaegan Doran and Dominic Grimm, for training and supporting us and fourth quad during the season. Hopefully next season we will come out with better results.

Ryan Caetano, Stroke.



## Second Year Eight Quad

Bow: R.Zhai, 2: D.Kim, 3: W.Stefanidis, Stroke: T.Gollan, Cox: F.Lin.



**Third Year Eight Quad**

*Bow: L.Vlatko, 2: K.Tian, 3: A.Gaffney, Stroke: R.Caetano, Cox: J.Chen*



**Fourth Year Eight Quad**

*Bow: D.Nguyen, 2: D.Gorey, 3: C.Pan, Stroke: G.Li Cox: I.Bonch-Osmolovskiy*

# Swimming



## Swimming

**Back Row:** R.Chen, A.Shuttleworth, M.Keldoulis, A.Konarov, J.Phu, K.Mickovski.

**Second Row:** A.Belokopytov, H.Li, J.Petrie, D.Kim, D.Ho, H.Schilling, R.Zhai, K.Le.

**Front Row:** M.Chien, D.Luo, J.Adhika, A.Morris (Captain), Mr V.Ockert (MIC), B.Wilcox, S.Pak, P.Zhou, E.Mehmedbasic.

## Swimming 2007

The High Swimming contingent was rocked this year by the death of much loved former MIC Mr Phil Day. All students held a close place in their hearts for Mr Day however this was particularly so for swimmers. His long-standing service to swimming was commemorated at the first GPS carnival of the year where a minutes silence was observed. Although while not being enough of a tribute to the man who has played such a massive role in the lives of GPS swimmers, the influence that Mr. Day had will always be remembered and cherished.

Swimming has had another fantastic year at High with a number of new faces backing up the old heads seen every Friday night and at CHS carnivals. Some outstanding results were achieved throughout the season, especially in the junior ranks. It was very pleasing to know that the future of High Swimming is very promising. Darren Ho, Jeffrey Jiang, Andrew Ye, Max Chien and Patrick Zhou were rewarded for their outstanding performances throughout the GPS season by being selected in the Combined GPS Swimming Team. These boys deserve a special mention as they are the people who continually uphold the high standards that past students have set.

The School Carnival was once again held at Prince Alfred Pool and was an event looked forward to by all students. Many boys found they were able to manufacture their own heats so that they could swim against others with similar ability. This increased participation and enjoyment as well as competition between the six Houses. The carnival concluded with the GPS 100 metre medley relay contested by High and the other seven Sydney GPS schools. We placed seventh.

This was a disappointing result however our spirits were not dampened. We knew that the 100 metre distance did not favour our swimmers who were primarily sprinters. From the school carnival, the Zone swimming team was selected and progressed to the Zone carnival which is attended by other CHS schools in the Eastern Suburbs. We placed first on the overall point score which is an outstanding achievement given we have only half the point scoring capability of the co-educational schools. Many swimmers then progressed on to the Regional Carnival and then the State Carnival.

On behalf of all the swimmers who have taken part in the 2007 season, I would like to thank Mr Ockert for his wonderful work once again as MIC of Swimming. His countless hours put into organising the annual Swimming carnival as well as his management of the GPS and CHS swimming teams is much appreciated by all members. He epitomises the nature of Sydney High swimming with his easy going and pleasant nature which makes every swimming season an enjoyable one for all those involved. Thanks must also go to the senior swimmers departing this year. Vice-Captain Anthony Morris, Kelvin Yu and Max Keldoulis who have all put in a number of years of service. Newcomers to swimming this year, Tom Castleton and Aaron Shuttleworth will also be leaving. These senior boys have shown great dedication throughout the season in leading the younger swimmers and keeping up the strong team spirit.

Finally thanks to all swimmers and their parents who have put in this season. I will sorely miss the Friday nights spent on pool deck, which have been such a large part of my sporting life at High. However the bonds and memories that I have made will be remembered forever.

Matthew Fetherston, Captain.



**Annual Swimming Carnival Results**

<b>EVENT</b>	<b>FIRST</b>	<b>SECOND</b>	<b>THIRD</b>	<b>TIME</b>
<b>Open</b>				
50m Freestyle	Anton Komarov	Matthew Fetherston	Darren Ho	
100m Freestyle	Matthew Fetherston	Anton Komarov	Mitchell Kelly	1:03.75
200m Freestyle	Darren Ho	Matthew Fetherston	Anton Komarov	2:28.80
100m Backstroke	Maximillilan Keldoulis	Anthony Park	Bill Sun	1:40.22
100m Breaststroke	Darren Ho	Joseph Lai	Maximillilan Keldoulis	1:16.88
100m Butterfly	Darren Ho	Anton Komarov	Maximillilan Keldoulis	1:12.50
GPS Relay Champion	Darren Ho	Maximillilan Keldoulis	Anton Komarov	
<b>16 Years</b>				
50m Freestyle	Kiril Mickovski	Alexander Belokopytov	Nelson Ridges	28.69
100m Freestyle	Kiril Mickovski	Alexander Belokopytov	Michael Denny-Smith	1:05.84
200m Freestyle	Alexander Belokopytov	Ronan Casey		2:40.63
100m Backstroke	Lucian Tan	Alexander Belokopytov	Thomas Nguyen	1:24.25
100m Breaststroke	Lucian Tan	Michael Denny-Smith	Christopher Lam	1:27.07
100m Butterfly	Alexander Belokopytov	Phillip Kurts		1:20.72
Champion	Alexander Belokopytov	Kiril Mickovski	Lucian Tan	

*They're off!*

## *Swimming*

### **15 Years**

50m Freestyle	Jack Musgrove	Jeffrey Jiang	Matthew Phung	30.38
100m Freestyle	Jack Musgrove	Matthew Phung	Daniel Kim	1:09.54
200m Freestyle	Jeffrey Jiang	Matthew Phung	Jim Nguyen	2:41.69
50m Backstroke	Jack Musgrove	Jeffrey Jiang	Harry Zhuang	37.41
50m Breaststroke	Jeffrey Jiang	Jack Musgrove	Enoch Hui	38.75
50m Butterfly	Jeffrey Jiang	Jack Musgrove	Daniel Kim	
Champion	Jeffrey Jiang	Jack Musgrove	Harry Zhuang	

### **14 Years**

50m Freestyle	Andrew Ye	Johah Petrie	Dale Chen	29.91
100m Freestyle	Andrew Ye	Johah Petrie	Dale Chen	1:05.94
200m Freestyle	Andrew Ye	Johah Petrie	Brian Kelly	2:27.19
50m Backstroke	Andrew Ye	Johah Petrie	Daniel Luo	36.13
50m Breaststroke	Andrew Ye	Dale Chen	Brian Kelly	40.28
50m Butterfly	Andrew Ye	Dale Chen	Brian Kelly	
Champion	Andrew Ye	Johah Petrie	Brian Kelly	

### **13 Years**

50m Freestyle	Max Chien	Ben Wilcox	Slava Reiyder	33.75
100m Freestyle	Max Chien	Ben Wilcox	Ennes Mehmedbasic	1:12.44
200m Freestyle	Max Chien	Hiram Yu	Kumadika Gunaratne	2:36.02
50m Backstroke	Max Chien	Ben Wilcox	Ennes Mehmedbasic	39.57
50m Breaststroke	Max Chien	Ennes Mehmedbasic	Jun-Hyuk Park	39.44
50m Butterfly	Max Chien	Ben Wilcox	Ennes Mehmedbasic	37.25
Champion	Max Chien	Ben Wilcox	Ennes Mehmedbasic	

### **12 Years**

50m Freestyle	Patrick Zhou	Shaun Pak	Matthew Chan	36.00
100m Freestyle	Patrick Zhou	Shaun Pak	Ming Chin	1:21.37
200m Freestyle	Shaun Pak	Matthew Chan	Jonathan Adhika	3:30.34
50m Backstroke	Patrick Zhou	Matthew Chan	Ming Chin	52.30
50m Breaststroke	Tony Chen	Patrick Zhou	Ming Chin	49.88
50m Butterfly	Patrick Zhou	Ming Chin	Shaun Pak	37.00
Champion	Patrick Zhou	Matthew Chan	Ming Chin	

# Sailing

## Senior Sailing

The 2006-2007 sailing season was successful with pleasing results in our major competitions, the Tri-Series and the CHS Regatta.

In the Tri-Series, consisting of a total of nine races, the skill of the competitors was tested in all kinds of conditions from hot days and light winds to cold and gusty weather. Phil Kurts won in the Laser 4.7 class, Muhamed Mehmedbasic came third in the Laser Full Rigs, and the Pacers managed several second places in a number of races.

The CHS Regatta took place at Belmont from 10th to 14th April with a fleet comprising more than 160 boats of all sizes and classes. Anthony Ho secured seventh and Jed Coppa eighth in the Laser Radials, Muhamed Mehmedbasic placed fourth in Laser Full Rigs and Phil Kurts came tenth in the 29ers. In a separate state competition earlier this year, Phil Kurts won in the Laser 4.7 Class.

A special thankyou to our new coach Adam South, who has vastly improved our sailing in the last two terms and to Mr Moody, whose assistance in all aspects of the sailing program was greatly appreciated. The sailing team would also like to thank all the parents involved in CHS for spending five days at Lake Macquarie to help and support the boys.

Muhamed Mehmedbasic, Captain.



## Junior Sailing

After training hard in Term Four we started this year with the Tri Series on the third of February. Last year's junior Pacer team of Tadeusz Davenport and Nikita Slinko was split into two teams, with Alexander Saunders and Ashwin Rudder joining the racing.

We had lots of new Year Sevens starting, most of whom had never sailed before. The Year Eight moved up and started teaching the Year Seven crews or sailing solo in our new Optimus. The new Year Sevens got their fair share of bailing but soon everyone got the idea and kept the boat flat. The Optimus sailors adapted to the new boats very quickly and are now very competent skippers.

We ended the season with the CHS Championships at Belmont. This year the juniors got a first (Nikita Slinko and Ashwin Rudder) and third (Tadeusz Davenport and Alexander Saunders) losing the second to the seniors. The best team was Nikita Slinko and Ashwin Rudder. After the first term racing together they leapt ahead to win the CHS.

Alexander Saunders and Daniel Smith-Light started racing in Term Four last year and at the CHS respectively and have achieved consistent results. All the other sailors have improved greatly under the coaching of Adam South and hopefully there will be some more crews starting to race in Term Four.

Thank you to Adam South for taking up the task of coaching us and continuing into this year; Mr Moody for coaching us and doing all the planing to keep it running smoothly; Mr Eyre for getting us to sailing each week. Thanks especially to all the parents who helped with fundraising and organising events and the students and parents who went to parking and other fundraisers.

Tadeusz Davenport, Captain.





**Senior Sailing**

**Back Row:** *A.Leung, A.Richards, B.Zolatarev, A.Wogas, L.Burger, A.Hlo, J.Coppa.*

**Second Row:** *T.Sun, T.Burston, P.Kurts, H.Mack, C.Martin, S.Zhang, Mr G.Moody (Coach).*

**Front Row:** *A.Thomas, F.Wu, G.Zhang, M.Mehmedbasic (Captain), B.Lung, R.Wong, D.Toh.*



**Junior Sailing**

**Back Row:** *D.Smith-Light, D.Dong, A.Saunders, N.Slinko, M.Delaney.*

**Second Row:** *H.Nguyen, B.Hillier, J.Dong, I.Ho, S.Rashid, T.Diep, A.Rudder, Mr G.Moody (Coach).*

**Front Row:** *A.Ceh, R.Woo, T.Funston, T.Davenport (Captain), M.Pan, B.Jian, A.Xu.*

# Winter Sport

## Winter Sport Assembly

**S**pecial guest, Mr Zemancheff, parents, coaches, staff and students, welcome to our winter assembly for 2007. This traditional sports assembly is held on the land of the traditional custodians of this place, the Gadigal clan of the Eora nation. We pay our respects to them today and to their elders past and present.

The boys who have made it through the trials season in their sports and have been selected in GPS teams will be presented to you at this assembly and deserve your acknowledgement and respect. They are going to put their bodies on the line for the school. They are going to do the training sessions, the travel, the matches and the recoveries, to uphold our sporting traditions and fulfil our commitments. They will be working around sports schedules to get their homework and study done. They are your teams. Support them. We want junior boys to emulate them and in the future to train even more intensively. You have to sweat for success.

I am concerned about our level of preparation for the winter season. Many of our teams seem to lose focus or shape in the last five or so minutes of each half. Teams score against us, negating our good efforts for 80% of the game. Fatigue may well be to blame. We need to have three training sessions per week for teams A to C level at least to gain appropriate fitness levels. The bar has been raised. More boys should be in weights training for six weeks before the competition season starts. We are running speed and endurance sessions with Jason Tassell. The standard is out there. The programs are in place. The personnel are there to assist you. Boys from the 7Es to first grade have to meet the training standard required to make you collectively competitive.

The GPS Headmasters have been wrestling for nearly a year with the issue of when to commence the winter sports season. After five meetings dealing with the matter it was resolved that the AAGPS would abandon its experiment of the last few years with running the winter sports season

before the athletics season. Despite the CAS Heads decision to leave their calendars untouched, we decided to go it alone. Dr Hawkes of the King's School noted: "There was general satisfaction amongst the Heads that there had been a change in the sporting calendar which would allow for far better preparation of students for their winter season of sport in 2008 and onwards." The issue for us was always safety and allowing sufficient time for boys to prepare themselves. Next year our first GPS competition game will be on June 21 and in 2009 on June 27.

Next year we will have longer to prepare. Don't let yourselves and your teams down by not taking advantage of what the school is offering to help you be competitive. Get in early and have a crack. Next term summer sports people should be preparing for their season if they are not engaged in winter GPS competition.

Our special guest speaker today, Mr Edwin Zemancheff (class of 1973), played in the last High XV that won the GPS competition and they were undefeated champions. He was selected in the combined GPS 1st XV and toured with the Australian Rugby Union Schoolboys to England, Scotland and Wales in 1973. He played first grade with Northern Suburbs Rugby Club 1974-81. He went on to sports administration as Waratah Team Manager under Rod McQueen (1991-92). He is a director of NSW Rugby Union, of the Australian Professional Surf Riders Association and of the International Association of Surfing Professionals. He supports heart research as a board member of the Victor Chang Cardiac Research Institute.

In his professional life Mr Zemancheff is a solicitor and international partner in Baker & McKenzie, the world's largest law firm with 70 offices in 38 countries. We thank him for taking time out of his busy schedule to come and have a look at our 1st XV playing at McKay and to address us today. As a fine example of the High all rounder - scholar, sportsman, leader, involved citizen and administrator - please make welcome Mr Edwin Zemancheff.

Dr Jaggar

# Athletics



## Senior Athletics

**Back Row:** E.Montoya Zorrilla, K.Choi, W.Trac, P.Du, B.Wang, P.Locke, D.Norris, T.Linegar D.O'Keefe, S.Codey  
**Third Row:** J.Lai, A.Kandasamy, A.Shuttleworth, A.Wang, K.Sriranjan, L.Street, G.Lo, A.Taylor, S.Sheth.

**Second Row:** N.Levanic, H.Lane, G.Karunaratne, L.Yang, D.Fu, J.Hui, J.Luscombe

**Front Row:** Dr K.A.Jaggar (Principal), D.Gunaratne (Captain), Mr R.Devlin (MIC Athletics), T.Castleton (Vice Captain), R.Ayre (Head Teacher Sport).

## Athletics Assembly

*[The following is an edited version of the speech given by Dr Jaggar at the 2007 Athletics Assembly.]*

Good morning and welcome to our Special Guest, athletics coaches, team members, parents, staff and students. Prior to the annual GPS Athletics Carnival we gather to honour our athletics team at the Athletics Assembly. Athletics is a short but intense season in GPS, but our serious athletes have been training all year for competition in CHS carnivals. Their recent successes at the CHS carnival showcase the athletic talent there is in the school. Given the way the point score operates at the GPS meet, every competitor who finishes makes a positive contribution to the point score on what is a team focused day. Until our athletics results are strong, our winter sports results will languish below the GPS benchmark. More senior boys ought to be involved. I wish Dakshika and his team success tomorrow. Our goals are to beat TAS again and to get closer to Scots in the point score.

This morning I want to recognise and acknowledge the work done by Mr Robert Devlin as MIC of Athletics this year. He has managed the coaching program and recruited more competitors. Thank you again to Davina Strauss who has worked with our boys on skills sessions in hurdles and field events. Jason Tassell continues to coach us in speed and endurance techniques. Thank you again to Edward Ovadia, our Old Boy distance event trainer. Well done again to Wayne Baldock who manages our in-school school athletics program. I acknowledge again the PE staff for their multiple testing of the 1.6k run. I urge all boys to build on this initiative to lower their PBs. Mr Ayre, our Head Teacher Sport, has supported athletics strongly, particularly as a manager at knock out carnivals. At the GPS carnivals, Mr Codey gives great management assistance, as do our perennial helpers, Mr Gainford and Mr Creer. We have benefited again this year from expert advice of Mr and Mrs Morrow. To all those who helped - thank you for your efforts. I am gratified and encouraged by the depth of participation shown by the junior school athletics team. In future I hope that the senior school re-thinks its commitment to the sport. The change of season competition dates will be a help but consistent training over months is required. Better athletics

performances will result in stronger and more competitive winter teams.

This morning I want to talk about one of my favourite people in sport. The legendary John Landy was born in 1930, attended Geelong Grammar and won the Victorian Combined Schools mile event (c.1.6k run that you all do) in the time of 4.43.8. He later trained with Percy Cerutti and brought his time down in just over a year to 4.13.4 beating 1952 Olympian Don McMillan. Landy failed to qualify for the Olympics and had to pay his own way there to get a run. He was disappointing at Helsinki, blowing his heat of the 1500m. in a time of 4.14. A year later, after applying the training techniques he picked up from international athletes in Helsinki, he ran 4.02.1 mile. It took him another year to reduce his time by just 0.1 He was running 50 miles a week. Landy went to Europe to compete in 1954. Roger Bannister famously ran the mile in 3.59.4 in May. In a race in Finland, on June 21, Landy ran 3.57.9, the second man in history to break the magic 4 minutes barrier.

In August, 1954 at the Empire Games in Vancouver, Landy ran head to head against Bannister in the so-called 'Miracle Mile' with a reported radio audience of 100 million listening in. Landy led all the way but on the final turn looked over his left shoulder and Bannister passed him on his right to steal the race and run his PB. Landy commented that 'the better man won' despite the later revelation that he had run the race with four stitches in his foot, the result of having stepped on a flash bulb in bare feet.

Landy graduated in Agricultural Science from the University of Melbourne in 1954. He lost motivation for running and taught at Geelong Grammar. He made a comeback to running in 1955 and in the national championships of 1956, famously leaped over a fallen Ron Clark and then stopped and went back to check he was all right. Despite this remarkable spontaneous gesture of sportsmanship, he went on to win the event in 4.04.2. It was an iconic moment in Australian sport. At the national championships he set a 3-mile record (4.8k) of 13.42.2. He went on to win a bronze medal in 1500m at the Melbourne Olympics.

Landy retired from athletics and had a successful career as a Senior Manager in ICI. He has since been awarded many civic honours and recently served as Governor of Victoria, 2001-

2006. John Landy is a shining example of the sportsman-scholar. His talent was developed by dogged persistence at training and polished by thoughtful techniques of training and racing. He combined a fiercely competitive determination with a genuine ideology of sportsmanship. He remains one of the most inspiring Australians to compete in any sport. I exhort you to take with you tomorrow his example of the virtues of determination and a sporting spirit as you compete for yourself, your team and your school. Good luck to all competitors.

Dr KA Jaggar, Principal.

## **Athletics Captain's Speech**

**S**pecial guest Professor Masters, Dr Jaggar, ladies, gentlemen and fellow students, the commencement of the 112th annual AAGPS Athletics Championships remains a mere twenty or so hours away. We are here to acknowledge the efforts of these individuals, your fellow peers, who, for the past six weeks have devoted themselves to gruelling sprint, weights and technique sessions in the hope of representing your school to the best of their ability.

For the last few years, Sydney High Athletics has begun to head in a new and positive direction under the revised regime of newly appointed MIC: Mr Devlin. A successful 2006 saw us leapfrog the Armidale School in both the Junior and Senior divisions with our next rivals, Newington and Scots merely a few points away. This season, a particularly strong junior team has made the surpassing of these schools a very real likelihood. The dividends of this new program have been especially reflected in the figures, with a total of 145 athletes participating, and an excess of forty appearing at each training session, establishing High Athletics as a competitive force in the AAGPS.

It is my strong belief that the key to any successful sports team is competition; a strong competition in which to participate, seen with the AAGPS, but also tough competition between fellow team members. This is a facet of High Athletics that has seen vast improvement. The team no longer relies on one or two individuals to perform outstandingly and bring home the points, but an expectation has been placed on all athletes to perform and the workload shared within the ranks. It is also this internal competition that sees

us pushing ourselves to the next level each week to cement our positions within the team. Therefore I feel it is also important to acknowledge the efforts of individuals as Denny Chandra, Leon Li and Christian Katiskaros who were unlucky to miss out on this year's team, but played pivotal roles in moulding the successes to come. I encourage all those athletes who were unsuccessful in making the 2007 junior or senior team to continue training and remain enthusiastic about their role in High Athletics as a well deserved spot may not be so far away.

I appeal especially to those in Years 10 and 11 to maintain close attachments with Sydney High Athletics. As seniors, it is your responsibility to exhibit both dedication and courage upholding the proud traditions and virtues of the school, setting an example for those emerging junior athletes and ensuring the development of Athletics at High.

As I mentioned before, Athletics at Sydney High is heading in a new direction, and the results achieved over the past month, and in particular this past week, have reflected our positive outlook. Individuals including Michael Phung in the 13s, Joshua Tassel in the 15s and Kogulan Sriranjani in the 17s have consistently rendered top three places in their respective events at the invitational carnivals. At the annual NSW Combined High Schools Athletics Championships (NSWCHSSA), held this past Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, Sydney High was well represented, with the athletes bringing home a bag of medals. Michael Denny Smith ran superbly to take silver in the 16s 400m hurdles, Dinghua Xiao performed exceptionally to grab silver in the 16 years shot put and discus, (breaking the school record in the latter) and rising middle distance star, Harrison Lane won silver in the 15years 3000m. Hopefully, with continued development and training, next year will bring even more medals, mainly of the gold colour.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to say one last thankyou to all the teachers and trainers involved in the High Athletics program for 2007: MIC Mr Devlin, Mr Ayre, Mr Codey, Mr Tassell, Mr & Mrs Morrow, Ms Strauss, old boy Edward Ovadia, Mr Gainford and Mr Creer. I speak on behalf of the entire team when I say that we are very appreciative of the time and care you've devoted in assisting us this season.

Dakshika Gunaratne, Captain.



### Junior Athletics

**Back Row:** *S.Yoon, H.Lane, C.Katsikaros, D.Ma, M.Wang, C.Morrow, W.Stefanidis, D.Nguyen, N.Wang, E.Montoya Zorrilla, M.Ling.*

**Fifth Row:** *K.Nguyen, S.Singh, A.Chin, E.Ovadia, S.Haque, C.Chen, J.Ireland, J.Chow, N.Street, M.Wong, I.Zaman, J.Kim, T.Siu, J.Wong.*

**Fourth Row:** *J.Rajendram, B.Li, T.Xiao, S.Yoon, K.Dutta, K-Y.Wong, Y.Wong, T.Ling, S.Renzenbrink, S.Darcy, D.Chen, J.Nguyen, M.Robertson.*

**Third Row:** *W.Shao, L.Li, H.Lu, L.Li, G.Denny-Smith, B.Chen, J.Liang, B.Wang, L.Gordon, S.Ali, A.Guo, M.Wong, A.Huynh.*

**Second Row:** *C.Pan, M.Phung, T.Iyer, M.Tickner, A.Shen, A.Huynh, Y.Liu, N.Kok, D.Chandra, K.Tian, H.Subasinghe, S.Razeen, B.Cabanilla, K.Sivayogarayan.*

**Front Row:** *D.Wang, E.Mehmedbasic, S.Do, K.Gunaratne, P.Pannila, R.Siddiqui, N.Ridges (Junior Captain), Mr R.Devlin (Master in Charge), J.Tassell (Senior Captain), V.Anandaselvakumar, C.Do, A.Li, T.Chin, G.Garyalde, S.Lane, P.Krakovsky.*

## CHS Athletics

In 2007, High Athletics took another step up as we continued improving. Throughout the year, many PBs were set and outstanding results were seen at various carnivals. The Sydney East Athletics Carnival saw Josh Tassell take out both the 100m and 200m events in very quick times in his respected age group. Samuel Lane came 2nd in the under 14s 1500m event, whilst Jeremy Ireland just kept on improving this year and ran a very quick 1500 in the 15 years to claim 2nd place. These results showed the growing strength of our junior runners this year. Our senior athletes also had some very impressive results with Michael Denny-Smith, a new member to our school, placing 2nd in both the 110m hurdles and triple

jump. Dinghua Xiao showed us his strength by winning both the shot put and discus events. Our Athletics Captain Dakshika Gunaratne placed 2nd in the 110m hurdles. In the 4x100m relays Sydney Boys High took the honours in both the under 15s and under 16s. Overall, High placed an impressive 1st, winning the Eastern Suburbs Zone. This is a great result. These two days thoroughly displayed the growing depth of the High athletes and the hard training that we go undergo in order to achieve these results.

The great results at the Sydney East Carnival were followed up by some outstanding results in the Annual NSWCHS Athletics Championships. The weather was picture perfect for a Kodak moment the duration of the three days, providing great running conditions. Three of our runners

proved that they can mix it with the best in the state. Harrison Lane once again showed his strength and endurance over the 3000m distance, with a time of 9.36, claiming the silver medal. Michael Denny-Smith won silver in the gruelling 400m hurdles event. Dakshika Gunaratne got a very well deserved bronze medal in the opens 110m hurdles with a time of 15.61. Dinghua Xiao came second in both the discus, with a throw of 42.08m breaking the school record and Shot Put, with 14.23m. These athletes proved that if you put your mind to it and trained hard, you can be very successful. Next year will be a very promising year, due to the very strong current junior team. Hopefully we can see more of the High Athletics team finishing on the podium at the NSWCHSSA.

We must give a special thanks to MIC of Athletics, Mr. Devlin, and our devoted and enthusiastic coaches that have helped us through the season and provided high quality training



which has eventuated in some outstanding results throughout the year. I would like to thank everyone for putting a great amount of effort and time into this season of athletics and making it a very enjoyable one. All the best of luck next year and I hope to see some more outstanding results.

Thomas Castleton, Vice-Captain of Athletics 2007

## **Athletics Report 2007**

The year 2007 provided another successful season for Sydney High Athletics, as individuals destroyed previous personal bests and surpassed all expectations to aid the establishment of High Athletics as an up and coming dominant force. With a successful 2006 season, MIC Mr Devlin returned to build upon the foundations of the new and improved training regime he had diligently instituted in the previous years. High participation rates from the junior school, in particular, and all round enthusiasm astonished myself, and many other senior athletes and coaches were bestowed with great inspiration as another successful AAGPS Athletics Championships seemed evident.

The annual school athletics was embraced by all students as an opportunity to test their speed, strength and skills but also provided great insight into the up and coming stars of Sydney High Athletics. Sturdy performances by Michael Phung in the 13s, Shadman Ali in the 14s and Lachlan Street and Michael Denny Smith in the 16s topped off a successful 2 days of events as Kogulan Sriranjana established himself as the fastest man in Sydney High with narrow, but equally dominant, wins in both the opens 100m and 200m. These strong performances, and many others, resonated throughout the CHS carnivals as High athletes performed admirably and successfully in the Zone and competed strongly at the Sydney East Regional Athletics Championships. Josh Tassell doubled up, taking the 15s 100m and 200m, Dinghua Xiao matched him with two firsts in the 16 years shot put and discus. Michael Denny Smith placed in four 16s events and the 4 x 100m relay for this age group took 1st place. I was able to win the 17+ years 110m hurdles and place 2nd in the long jump to wrap up a triumphant couple of days for Sydney High athletes.

Once again, the AAGPS athletics season encroached upon us much faster than expected and although High's early representation and success



was hindered by the progression of year 12 trial examinations, a stalwart showing by the juniors consolidated for any senior absences. The pre-season had seen the implementation of a tough training schedule with athletes training 2-3 times a week, improving strength, speed, endurance and technique. With the help of expert coaches, athletes were able to harness their potential and fine-tune their talents to represent Sydney High to the best of their ability.

Although a shortened pre-season of four invitationals marred the progressive improvements of the athletes, the team were able to capitalise on the limited opportunities as vast improvements were observed throughout the age groups. The first invitational was co-hosted by us and the Sydney Grammar School and witnessed some blistering times from our junior athletes. Michael Phung (12.32 & 25.97), Slava Reiyder (12.80) and Tian Ling (12.89) all went under the 13 second barrier in the 13s 100m with Phung placing 3rd in the championship event. Other strong performances came in the 14s from Derek Trang (12.81), Leon Li (12.82 & 25.56), Michael Wong (12.76 & 26.83) and Shadman Ali (12.06 & 25.32) who also placed 3rd in the 100m championship event. In the 15s, Joshua Tassell established himself as the junior sprint king with performances of 11.53 in the 100m for 2nd place and 23.73 in the 200m for 3rd. Future distance star, Harrison Lane, also ran strongly for 1st in the 15s 1500m (4.40) and 2nd in the opens 3000m.

This initial success carried on throughout the pre-season with resilient performances from all High athletes at the remaining 3 carnivals. The Waverly College and Cranbrook School invitational saw a further string of solid performances from our junior athletes. Notable mentions go to Kent Nguyen (11.75 & 24.56) in the 16s 100m and 200m respectively, Harrison Lane (9.40) in the opens 3000m (taking a massive 23 seconds off his personal best) Christopher Morrow jumping 1.55m in the 14s high jump for 2nd place and Michael Phung (5.04) breaking the 5m barrier in the 13s long jump for the first time. However the most outstanding performance of the day came from junior athletics co-captain Joshua Tassell running a scorching 11.22 in the 15s 100m challenging Sriranjana's title as the fastest man in the school.

The convener's carnival, the main lead-up to

the AAGPS championships and best indicator of an athlete's position in his event with respect to the other schools was held at Homebush Athletics Centre on the 1st of September. In windy conditions, High performed well with stand out performances by Shadman Ali (11.72 & 24.24) in the 14s 100m and 200m respectively, Harrison Lane (9.38) in the opens 3000m, Michael Denny Smith (51.75) in the 16s 400m and George Lo (11.35) in the 17s 100m. The fierce competition only attracted more athletes as Sydney High athletes partook in a variety of events.

The final carnival of the pre-season was the Newington Invitational held at ES Marks. An initial downpour halted the days proceedings as a number of events were cancelled for safety reasons. However, the miserable weather was not enough to deter the adamant competitors from High, as I witnessed a strong showing, from not only the juniors, but also from those amongst the senior ranks. Prominent performances during the day came from Michael Phung jumping a personal best of 5.31m to take 1st place in the 13s long jump. He then backed up to place in both the 100m (12.9) and 200m (26.7). Samuel Lane ran strongly for a solid time of 4.43 minutes in the 14s 1500m whilst in the 15s, Jeremy Ireland ran superbly (4.29) in the same event. In his first race of the season, Jeremy Luscombe ran a sturdy 54 seconds in the opens 400m to conclude a successful day's action.

The season's performances and the strong showing by High athletes at the NSW CHS Athletics Championships held on the 9th-11th of September placed the team in good stead for the upcoming 112th AAGPS Athletics Championships, where particular emphasis is placed on the ability of the junior team to surpass our nearest rivals, The Armidale School and The Scots College.

On behalf of all Sydney High Athletes, I would like to thank MIC Mr Devlin for yet another successfully co-ordinated season as well as assistants and coaches Mr Codey, Mr Tassell, Mr and Mrs Morrow, Ms Strauss, Mr Ayre, Mr Creer, Mr Gainford and old boy Edward Ovadia for all their help this season. Without the knowledge and guidance of these individuals, none of the exceptional achievements past, present and future would be possible.

Dakshika Gunaratne, Athletics Captain 2007

## **AAGPS Athletics Championships**

**T**he 15th of September 2007 marked the commencement of the 112th annual AAGPS Athletic Championships as Sydney High athletes tackled the notoriously blustery conditions of the Homebush Athletic arena. Although a small crowd of high supporters contributed little in terms of numbers to the overall crowd of near 8000, their spirit and enthusiasm was anything but lacking as they cheered on all participating High athletes with a new found vigour.

In the 13 years division, Michael Phung proved his consistency as he participated successfully in a number of events, taking 3rd in the 100m (12.52), 4th in the 200m (25.92) and second in the long jump (5.07). Surprise package Kah-Yang Wong ran brilliantly to take 3rd in the 400m and the 4 x 100m relay (K.Gunaratne, T.Ling, S.Reiyder and M.Phung) perfected their changes running for a well deserved 4th (51.87).

In the 14 years division, last years standout performer Shadman Ali continued his success at the GPS level running a scorching time of 11.90 in the 100m to place 2nd and broke the school record with 24.03 in the 200m to place 3rd. A notable

mention must also go to Christopher Morrow who represented the school gallantly in a number of events performing just outside the medals in each. The importance and value of the relay training undertaken by all participating athletes also began to show as the 14s 4 x 100m relay on the back of a strong final leg by Ali ran a respectable 4th (48.81).

The 15 years Sydney High Athletics team was unfortunately weakened greatly with the loss of key runner and junior athletics co-captain Joshua Tassell with a hamstring strain only a couple of days out from the championships. However, a number of other individuals stepped up to the plate performing outstandingly to regain some of the potential points lost. Jeremy Ireland ran beautifully to match his 2nd place in last year's carnival in the 1500m (4.26.38). A consistent performer for Sydney High Athletics, Jeremy is seen at all training sessions putting in 110% and his well deserved 2nd placing is a reflection of this hard work. He stands as an example for all other athletes to follow and forge their own paths to success. In other performances, Justin Chow utilised his basketball background as he jumped his way to 3rd (1.70) in the high jump and a solid 5th placing by the 4 x 100m relay team completed a carnival of mixed success for the age group.



*Lachlan Street in the 200m*



The 16 years Sydney High Athletics team performed admirably with exceptional performances by Michael Denny Smith setting the foundation for other notable achievements by the remaining individuals of the team. Denny Smith ran incredibly to place 4th in the 200m (23.40), a close 2nd in the 400m (52.32) and 4th in the division hurdles (15.23). A wonderful all-round performance. Dinghua Xiao threw a personal best (14.59) to unluckily place 4th with the three athletes ahead of him all breaking the record and Xiao himself being only 3cm off it. Danny Fu jumped well (5.70) for 4th in the long jump, Matthew Rusli through powerfully for 4th in the division shot put (10.52) and Lachlan Street ran well for 5th in the division 100m (12.07). Once again many of these athletes backed up for the 4 x 100m relay which ran a respectable 5th (45.78). A strong performance by this age group greatly aided the effort of the junior team as they eclipsed last years overall performance.

Although there were few placings in the senior age divisions, all athletes competed well amongst the fierce competition. In the 17s, Kogulan Sriranjana confirmed his title as the fastest man at Sydney high running an amazing 11.47 to finish 6th in a hotly contested 100m championship. He backed this performance with an equally fast 23.31 in the 200m to finish one place better. Joseph Lai ran brilliantly to place 4th in the 110m hurdles championships in a personal best time of 16.16 and George Lo matched this with an 11.69 in the division 100m. The Opens saw a little more success with myself placing 3rd in the 110m championship hurdles (15.37) and the opens 4 x



100m relay team (F.Jin, G.Lo, D.Gunaratne & K. Sriranjana) surprising everyone including themselves to run a sizzling time of 44.96 to finish 4th. Finally, Frank Jin portrayed the raw talent possessed by all High athletes as he jumped a personal best of 6.55m to take 3rd in the long jump - with a mere one weeks training. Frank has been one of Sydney High's most successful athletes in recent years placing four times in the event which included one of the schools few wins (2005).

Although the team was unable to seize that valuable win, the junior team even with the loss of sprinter Joshua Tassell met all expectations as they surpassed both the Armidale School and even The Scots College to finish a respectable 7th, our best performance in many years. Although the senior team were once again surpassed by The Armidale School, it was a brave effort put in by those athletes partaking at the championships.

During my time participating in High Athletics, I've witnessed true feats of courage, as individuals overcome all odds to perform remarkable feats. Although there were no wins to take home, there was definitely no shortage of courage. I draw on in particular the effort of Aaron Shuttleworth in the senior 4 x 400m relay. A week of hearing him boast of burning his nearest competitor in his leg of the race became ever tiresome, but burn he did, as I watched him draw level and surpass the Newington runner with 200m to go setting a solid platform for the final runner of the team. A valiant effort embracing all that Sydney High Athletics represents.

Dakshika Gunaratne, Athletics Captain 2007

## Annual Athletics Carnival Results

EVENT	FIRST	SECOND	THIRD	TIME/DIST
<b>12 YEARS</b>				
100 M	Emtiazul Hoque	Thomas Mok	Ming Chin	14.76
200 M	Patrick Krakovsky	Thomas Mok	Ming Chin	29.78
400 M	Thomas Mok	Ming Chin	Emtiazul Hoque	1'11.16
800 M	Vincent Ye	Anton Brokman	Thomas Mok	3'01.73
90 Hurdles	Patrick Krakovsky	Harry Heo	Vincent Ye	16.15
High Jump	Patrick Krakovsky	Harry Heo	Max Jones	1.30 m
Long Jump	Patrick Krakovsky	Harry Heo	Daniel Liang	4.18 m
Shot Put	Nayan Rahman	Julian Edgtton	Jamison Tsai	7.82 m
House Relay	Saxby	McKay	Ruby	62.28
Champion	Patrick Krakovsky			
<b>13 YEARS</b>				
100 M	Vincent Wang	Michael Phung	Slava Reiyder	13.00
200 M	Michael Phung	Vincent Wang	Slava Reiyder	25.88
400 M	Kevin Tian	Michael Phung	Kah-Yang Wong	1'00.19
800 M	Pasan Pannila	Michael Phung	Peter Lam	2'44.00
90 Hurdles	Michael Phung	Kumadika Gunaratne	Kevin Tian	16.81
High Jump	Michael Phung	Scott Renzenbrink	–	1.40 m
Discuss	Scott Renzenbrink	Leo Lu	Ben Wilcox	21.64
Javelin	–	–	–	
Long Jump	Tian Ling	Michael Phung	Scott Renzenbrink	4.85 m
Shot Put	Slava Reiyder	David Nguyen	Joshua Do	9.41 m
House Relay	Fairland	Torrington	Saxby	56.72
Champion	Michael Phung			
<b>14 YEARS</b>				
100 M	Shadman Ali	Dominic Cheung	James Han	12.31
200 M	Shadman Ali	Andrew Ye	Dominic Cheung	25.48
400 M	Andrew Ye	Christopher Morrow	Brian Kelly	1'01.66
800 M	Samuel Lane	Brian Kelly	Dale Chen	2'30.19
1500 M	Samuel Lane	Brian Kelly	Luke Vlatko	5'05.23
100 Hurdles	Andrew Ye	Christopher Morrow	James Han	14.53
High Jump	Christopher Morrow	Isnad Zaman	James Han	1.65
Discuss	Alex Feng	Joshua Sutton	Avindu Vithanage	24.18
Javelin	Alex Koerber	David Ma	William Lee	22.20
Long Jump	Christopher Morrow	Benjamin Ly	Alex Feng	4.80
Shot Put	David Ma	Michael Wang	Brian Kelly	9.44
House Relay	Torrington	Saxby	Ruby	51.01
Champion	Christopher Morrow			
<b>15 YEARS</b>				
100 M	Joshua Tassell	Jeffrey Wong	Justin Chow	12.07
200 M	Joshua Tassell	Jeffrey Wong	Sam Darcy	24.72
400 M	Joshua Tassell	Jeffrey Wong	Antony Paul	57.38
800 M	Jeremy Ireland	Harrison Lane	Kevin Sheng	2'29.10
1500 M	Jeremy Ireland	Harrison Lane	Kevin Sheng	4'52.53
100 Hurdles	Yoon, Stephen	Jeremy Rajendram	Jeffrey Wong	17.73

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High Jump	Justin Chow	Jeremy Rajendram	Brendan Cheung	1.50
Discuss	George Denny-Smith	Stephen Yoon	Jim Nguyen	28.57
Javelin	Alasdair Brown	Daniel Shan	David Tran	27.20
Long Jump	Joshua Tassell	Justin Chow	Kieran Taylor	5.10
Shot Put	Barry Chen	George Denny-Smith	Daniel Shan	11.14
House Relay	Eedy	Ruby	Saxby	50.34
Champion	Joshua Tassell			

### **16 YEARS**

100 M	Kent Nguyen	Joel Livingston	Lachlan Street	11.90
200 M	Michael Denny-Smith	Lachlan Street	Kent Nguyen	24.44
400 M	Michael Denny-Smith	Edwin Montoya Zorrilla	Lachlan Street	53.53
800 M	Ronan Casey	Edwin Montoya Zorrilla	Michael Denny-Smith	2'16.40
1500 M	Ronan Casey	Edwin Montoya Zorrilla	Matthew Ling	4'46.23
110 Hurdles	Michael Denny-Smith	Lachlan Street	Danny Fu	15.18
High Jump	Michael Denny-Smith	Lachlan Street	Nelson Ridges	1.65
Discuss	Dinghua Xiao	Matthew Lau	Mark Vu	38.00
Javelin	Michael Denny-Smith	Michael Myronenko	Alexander Belokopytov	31.20
Long Jump	Kent Nguyen	Lachlan Street	Danny Fu	5.52
Shot Put	Dinghua Xiao	Matthew Rusli	Mark Vu	12.96
House Relay	McKay	Eedy	Ruby	49.63
Champion	Michael Denny-Smith			

### **OPENS**

100 M	Kogulan Sriranjana	Dakshika Gunaratne	Frank Jin	11.59
200 M	Kogulan Sriranjana	Dakshika Gunaratne	David Kim	23.75
400 M	Robert Chen	George Lo	Daniel Campion	57.00
800 M	Harry Walker	Thomas Castleton	Nikola Levanic	2'13.84
1500 M	Ty Linegar	Thomas Castleton	Nikola Levanic	4'44.37
110 Hurdles	Dakshika Gunaratne	Joseph Lai	Bill Sun	14.88
High Jump	Dakshika Gunaratne	Victor Nguyen	Danny Ng	1.60
Discuss	Benjamin Palau	David Kim	Robert Chen	30.43
Javelin	Patrick Gallego	Terry Ly	Dakshika Gunaratne	43.70
Long Jump	Dakshika Gunaratne	Frank Jin	Roshan Karunaratne	6.08
Shot Put	Patrick Gallego	Robert Chen	Terry Ly	11.50
House Relay	Fairland	Saxby	Torrington	47.78
Champion	Dakshika Gunaratne			

## **GPS Athletics**

The following placings were achieved at the Annual GPS Athletics Meeting 15 September 2006

<b>Name</b>	<b>Place</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Effort</b>
Michael Phung	3rd	13yr 100m	12.52
Kah-Yang Wong	3rd	13yr 400m	61.08
Michael Phung	2nd	13yr Long Jump	5.07m
Shadman Ali	3rd	14yr 100m	11.90
Shadman Ali	2nd	14yr 200m	24.03
Jeremy Ireland	2nd	15yr 1500m	4.26.38
Justin Chow	3rd	15yr High Jump	1.70m
Michael Denny-Smith	2nd	16yr 400m	52.32
Dakshika Gunaratne	3rd	Opens Hurdles	15.37
Frank Jin	3rd	Opens Long Jump	6.55m

# Rugby



## First Fifteen

**Back Row:** K McPherson, D Ng, D O'Keefe, C Andrews, D Norris, A Pham, P Gallego.

**Second Row:** Mr R Fetherston (Coach), A Kandasamy, D Vien, N Lochner, S Merom, R Chen, M Ling, J Ip.

**Front Row:** J Hui, Mr S Bolen (Coach), M Fetherston (Captain), Dr K A Jaggat (Principal), A Vertoudakis (Vice Captain), Mr A M Hannon (Coach), L Yang.

## Rugby Results

### Trial Matches

	Cran 28/4	HAg 2/5	SCECGS 5/5	Chev/Ox 12/5	TAS 19/5
1sts	Rained out	L 5 - 13	W 14 - 10	L 0 - 31	L 10 - 24
2nds	Rained out	NG	L 0 - 50 SJC 17A	L 15 - 19	L 0 - 50
3rds	Rained out	NG	L 0 - 50 L 0 - 52 SJC 17B	Oxley 2nds	L 0 - 73
4ths	–	–	–	W 15 - 0 BC 16Fs	NG
16A	Rained out	NG	W 12 - 0	L 5 - 8	W 27 - 17
16B	Rained out	L 0 - 45	NG	L 7 - 8	L 5 - 35
15A	Rained out	NG	L 17 - 24	L 5 - 19	L 5 - 10
15B	Rained out	L 0 - 40	NG	NG	L 0 - 39
14A	Rained out	NG	W 50 - 0 Shore 14E	W 50 - 0	W 56 - 7
14B	Rained out	NG	W 50 - 0 Shore 14F	L 0 - 80 Oxley 14As	L 6 - 36
13A	Rained out	NG	W 40 - 12	L 5 - 8	L 17 - 34
13B	Rained out	L 15 - 41	NG	L 5 - 17	L 7 - 12

### GPS Matches

	Newington 26/5	Shore 2/6	Riverview 16/6	SJC 21/7	Scots 28/7	Kings 4/8	Grammar 11/8
1sts	L 0 - 65	L 0 - 90	L 0 - 100	L 0 - 81	L 0 - 102	L 0 - 111	L 8 - 82
2nds	W 12 - 0 5ths	L 5 - 24 6ths	Rained out	L 3 - 31 6ths	L 0 - 10 6ths	L 0 - 39 6ths	L 7 - 10 3rds
3rds	W 24 - 0 Knox 7th	L 7 - 46 7ths	Rained out	L 0 - 43 7ths	L 12 - 20 7ths	L 7 - 74 7ths	D 12 - 12
4ths	W Forfeit Bark 7th	NG	Rained out	–	–	–	–
16A	W 34 - 0 Bs	L 0 - 32 Bs	Rained out	W 15 - 5 Ds	W 15 - 12 Cs	W 39 - 0 Es	L 0 - 38
16B	W 22 - 10 Cran Cs	L 10 - 15 Es	Rained out	W 37 - 14 Gs	L 19 - 22 Ds	NG	L 0 - 24
15A	L 0 - 35	L 0 - 65	Rained out	L 0 - 44	D 5 - 5	L 0 - 45	L 12 - 15
15B	W 12 - 0 Fs	L 0 - 55 Ds	Rained out	L 0 - 46 Ds	W 20 - 5 Cs	L 0 - 40 Ds	W 24 - 22 Cs
14A	W 58 - 0 Cs	L	Rained out	W 41 - 5 Ds	W 31 - 5 Cs	W 50 - 14 Cs	L 0 - 10
14B	W 34 - 5 Ds	L	Rained out	L 10 - 15	W 15 - 10 Es	W 29 - 17 Es	L 0 - 50 Cs
13A	W 41 - 0 Cs	L 0 - 19 Bs	Rained out	W 14 - 0 Ds	W 19 - 12 Ds	L 0 - 31 Bs	L 12 - 20
13B	L 22 - 24 Es	L 7 - 22 Fs	Rained out	L 5 - 41 Es	W 24 - 0 Fs	W 48 - 10 Fs	W 19 - 15 Cs



## First Fifteen

**T**he 2007 Rugby season was a physically and mentally challenging one for the Sydney High First Fifteen. We approached the season with high hopes but the results did not go in our favour, despite the effort from the team and coaching staff at training sessions and on Saturday afternoons. At times we were able to piece together some solid sequences of play however we could never sustain this for a full seventy minutes.

Pre-season began way back in Term 4 of last year and continued into the summer holidays and throughout Term 1. Our form in the trial matches was inconsistent but at certain stages we would randomly produce some outstanding play. Our first trial game against Cranbrook was cancelled and we experienced a 5-12 loss in our annual mid-week match against Hurlstone Agricultural High. We recovered from this disappointing loss to beat SCEGGS Redlands 14-10. However the week after we again did not play to our potential and were punished for simple errors with tries at the wrong end of the field. Chevalier on this occasion beat us 0-31. The final game against The Armidale School was perhaps our best of the pre-season, especially considering the fact that our ranks were severely depleted. We went down 10-24, but all-in-all signs were positive for the GPS season that was to commence the following week.

The GPS season was marred by injuries. We had played the trials with a full-strength team and went into the first game with a similar starting fifteen. However as the season progressed, injuries became an increasing problem. This was especially damaging for the forward pack. Despite going down 0-65 against Newington, our set-piece was outstanding with clean ball from the lineout and the scrum base. As many forwards were withdrawn from the pack and put out of position in the backline, the restarts were compromised. This was particularly influential in causing blow-outs of the score line as we were unable to win possession of what should have been our own attacking ball.

Newington on the whole was a disappointing season opener. The forwards struggled to muscle up to the strong running game of the larger opposition pack and the team as a whole was stunned by the increased pace of the GPS competition. As a result, New made easy metres

and points all game. We switched on at some stages; however our attack lacked confidence in the face of some intimidating defence.

For the second year in a row we came up against Shore at Northbridge. After only being down 5-15 at half-time the previous year, we had high hopes and expected a grinding match from a highly rated Shore outfit. They exceeded their reputation with their well-drilled pack and seasoned backline who tied up possession for most of the game. Our defensive effort at times was one to be proud of, however our work at the breakdown was ineffective and the continuity of our play was stifled as we gave up the ball to the opposition on too many occasions. The score at full-time was 0-90.

The match against St. Ignatius was a tough one for a number of reasons. Firstly it was a delayed fixture which made it hard to put ourselves in the correct mindset and secondly it was against St. Ignatius. They were a strong side all up and played a very physical game. However they struggled early on as they arrogantly tried to run the ball from the kickoff. Our defence was up to the challenge and we were camped in their twenty-two for the first ten minutes. Disappointingly though, we let this high standard slip and conceded three very quick tries just prior to the halftime break. We lost our communication in defence and more importantly we simply missed our one-on-one tackles. It was unfortunate that the 0-100 scoreline did not reflect how well we were playing in the opening exchanges. If we had just maintained composure then it could have been a different story.

The holiday break was well-timed and gave us a chance to review problems we were having with our game and ways in which to improve for the second half of the season. Our first game after the break was a certain tough fixture against St. Joseph's. Hoping for a lucky coin toss on a day affected by strong weather conditions, we ended up on the wrong side of a harsh wind. We found ourselves pinned in our own 22 for most of the first half and down by sixty points. With a thinned second half crowd fearing the worst, the team set out to retrieve some pride and stop Joeys from having their way. With nothing to lose and no wind against us we pushed out of our own half and spent some hard-earned yet uncapitalised time in the opposition 22. Good defence and ball retention saw us keep the GPS Premiers to twenty points in

a half of football. We hoped this effort would give us much needed momentum running into the latter stages of the season.

The team was on a high coming into the fixture against Scots after the defensive effort of the previous week. However the success was not to be emulated. Crippling injuries to a number of key positions proved to be a decisive factor in the blow-out. Despite this, we spent some quality time in opposition territory and put Scots under pressure on numerous occasions. A break in the second half by Kerrod McPherson should have resulted in a try but the support could not keep up with his surprising pace. As a result of failing to benefit from opportunities such as this, we ended up on the wrong side of the unflattering 0-102 scoreline.

Our journey out to Parramatta the following week for the penultimate match was always going to be hard despite Kings' under-achieving performances in the GPS competition. We applied pressure in defence early on but Kings were seemingly unphased and used their strong kicking game to push out of their own half. Weight of possession became a problem for us as the match wore on, as did their change of tactics. Early on they played a tight game with forward hit-ups in midfield but later on they changed to a more open game. They began to stretch us by spinning the ball from sideline to sideline and testing us physically with big running backs. On our part, the failure to keep a solid defensive formation and eventually the onset of fatigue, which owed to the quantity of tackles we had to make, saw these wide tries pile up and blow out the scoreline to 0-114.

The final game for the 2007 season was against Sydney Grammar School. It was perhaps our most anticipated match for the entire season. We started off in an exciting fashion and broke the Grammar defensive line on a few occasions. Much of the time we were in shock to be slipping through gaps and the support therefore was not there to shift the point of attack and really test the Grammar cover defence. As the game wore on they proved to be the better drilled side especially in the forwards where they asserted their dominance. This was especially true at lineout time. The backs suffered from a lineup that had very little experience together and the lack of communication in defence reflected this inexperience. We scored our first points and try of

the season in this game. Midway through the first half, Dakshika Gunaratne slotted his second attempt at penalty goal from forty metres out and Nicholas Lochner edged past the Grammar winger to force the ball across the line after a probing box kick from the Grammar 22 late in the second half. The final score was 8-84.

Despite the devastation of going yet another year without a win, the 2007 season is one to be proud of and remembered, not for the massive deficits, but for the glimpses of triumph - the break through the Scots backline by Kerrod McPherson, the titanic second half defensive effort against Joeys and the try scored by Nick Lochner against Grammar.

On behalf of the team we thank Tony Hannon for his work with the forwards all year. His knowledge of the intricacies of the game and advice was greatly beneficial for all members of the team. Thanks must also go to Rob Fetherston in his guidance of the backline. To head coach Serdar Bolen, we owe the biggest thanks. Bols never has less than one hundred percent enthusiasm and optimism for the First Fifteen and its meaning to the school. He is so much more than just a Rugby Coach to many of us and for this the team is greatly appreciative. Finally, thanks to all the supporters, especially those who showed up week in, week out.

Matthew Fetherston and Alexander Vertoudakis, Co-Captains.

## **Rugby Second Fifteen**

**T**he Sydney High Second XV was comprised of both year 11s and year 12s for 2007.

This provided an interesting mix of characters, many of whom hadn't played rugby together since 2003. Coupled with the constantly changing line up due to various reasons, the gelling of the team proved difficult and never really eventuated. The subsequent results of the season were indicative of our situation.

Due to the unfavourable weather conditions throughout the opening weeks of the winter season; training was limited and this was reflected in the first trial game up against a well-drilled St Josephs 17A side. Although we were out-played in literally every aspect of the game, the score would end up being our biggest margin of the season with improvements on every game thereafter. The following week would see the team train intensely,



**Second Fifteen**

**Back Row:** *B.Pfull, M.Chen, M.Farhat, A.Komarov, T.Joo, R.Tran.*

**Second Row:** *Mr G.Moody (Coach), M.Ghamraoui, K.Sriranjan, S.Wang, D.Kim, T.Hurrell.*

**Front Row:** *D.Bowes, Y.Guo, S.Lou (Captain), Mr S.Storey (Coach), S.Sugito (Vice Captain), C.Lee, A.Lim.*

desperate to better the previous week's result. Key combinations were tried and tested, and with this slowly came the rekindling of the spirit and courage that seemed non-existent within this group of men. The next game against Chevalier would prove to be one of the closer encounters of the season, significant improvements were seen in both the forwards and the backs. Every player's determination contributed to the subsequent result - going down narrowly 15-19. However, our newfound structure was short lived, as due to various reasons beyond our control influential flyhalf Dakshika Gunaratne made the move to first grade and the forward pack was reshuffled. Our preparations for the final journey to Armidale were affected in the process and saw the return of Thomas Hurrell at 5/8. Although the end result of the game was not reflective of the effort and courage shown by the team, the stitches required definitely were. In a head clash involving Nikola Levanic and Samson Lou, nine stitches were required between them. Nevertheless, the trial

games provided us with a solid stepping stone into GPS season.

Not only did we achieve desirable outcomes in our first GPS games against Newington, it also saw new-comer Stuart Sugito prove he had no difficulties understanding the concept of playing rugby in High colours. He managed to score the only two tries including a fifty metre effort that not only won the match but saw him request to be substituted off, showing how much it meant and the subsequent energy he put into scoring the points. Our following game was away at Shore against a side that showed proficiency in all aspects of the game. We showed that we were more than capable of scoring tries but at the end of the day, the opposition was simply the better team and we had no problems going down 5-24 to them. Our first game back from the Term 2 holidays against Riverview was rained out and saw the team even more determined to prove ourselves against St Josephs at home. Unfortunately, although the team displayed a spirited effort in a

tough match, several incidents escalated into the issuing of yellow and red cards. The end result - a 3-31 loss was an improvement on the trial game earlier in the season but reflected much needed work in the disciplinary department. The next match was against arch rivals Scots and would be the year 12s' last ever home game. Every single player played their hearts in a display of overwhelming passion and courage. Players like Si Yang Wang, Yun Zhe Guo and Moussa Farhat led by example showing exactly what High boys are made out of. The result was not to be and we were on the wrong end of the 0-10 score board. Despite similar events of the week before occurring where yellow and red cards were again required, as well as a detailed lecture from the Rugby MIC about the significance of High spirit on the field, never before seen had there been so many boys simultaneously succumbing to the disappointment and emotion of losing something, tears were not held back by any Year 12 player.

Having gotten over the previous game, we were keen on reinforcing the team as one entity out to make the most of our last two games of the season. The trip to North Parramatta against Kings was always going to be a challenge and we were not let down by their intensity. We were not only out to make amends for the previous two weeks, but we were also pressured to perform by various media outlets. Unfazed by the opinions of those who have no idea what being a High boy means, players like Michael Chen, Michael Coutts and David Kim stepped up. Although we were unable to produce a win, Mr Storey reminded us that we always leave an impression and that day was no different. Our eagerly anticipated clash against Grammar provided no disappointments. Reminded before kick off that this would be the very last game for some members of the team, the younger players vowed to not let the year 12s down. In a closely contested match where Dominic Bowes and Timothy Joo played some of the best rugby all season, a long range try where David Kim, Raymond Tran and Mohamed Ghamraoui were heavily involved levelled the game at 7 a piece. A controversial decision with a minute left saw Grammar take a penalty attempt twenty metres out on the eastern touchline. Much to our displeasure, the ball sailed straight between the posts to put Grammar in front 7-10. This would sadly be the end score to an excellent season of rugby that saw the maturing of many players now prepared rather

then unwilling to partake in what some of the year 12s did in their final schooling year amidst their academic endeavours.

The year 12s have no regrets in being part of Rugby at Sydney Boys High school right till the end, and on behalf of all year 12s we'd like to thank the coaching staff - Mr Storey, Mr Moody, Mr Aldous and Mr Baldock for putting their time and effort in mentoring us. Furthermore we thank Mr Stein, the rugby committee and supporters for their continued support. Finally, although the season could have seen more desirable results, the year 12's are grateful for the privileged opportunities high rugby has provided and we thank the year 11s and wish them all the best.

Samson Lou, Captain

## **Third Fifteen**

**T**he Third XV season seemed to peak only at the beginning and ends of the actual GPS season, presenting what seemed a somewhat parabolic season by the end. The pre-season was a poor one, with losses of 50 plus to Joeys, Chevalier and TAS. However these games were simply there for practice, proving to be somewhat beneficial as the actual season started. The opening fixture was Newington but a mix-up between high and Newington saw Newington College only produce one side as opposed to the two High teams ready to play. However Knox presented the rugby team that the 3rd XV opposed while the 2nds played Newington.

The opening match saw a comfortable 24-0 victory over this side that was much larger than the High boys, showing promising signs. However for the next five fixtures, the Third Grade team noticed the change between actual GPS schools and outside schools, suffering losses between 30 and 60 points against Shore, Iggies, Joeys, Scots and Kings respectively. But ultimately there is the one fixture the boys felt obliged to overcome, the final obstacle that was the Grammar school.

After trailing 0-12 at half time, the boys shaped up and pulled off a 12 all draw, with a last minute penalty attempt from 45m out by High missing by a metre or two to the right.

The season was disrupted by a number of changes in the First Grade squad, causing changes in Seconds, ultimately delving into Thirds. An injury to the captain hampered the end of the



**Third Fifteen**

**Back Row:** *T.Li, J.Menzies, A.Morris, B.Liu, K.Lam, C.Tang.*

**Second Row:** *Mr S.Storey (Coach), C.Martin, J.Phu, S.Sheth, R.Nguyen, D.Vithanage.*

**Front Row:** *R.Baskaran, S.Yuan, L.Deacon, Mr G.Moody (Coach), R.Pandit (Captain), S.Azad, K.Ahmed.*



**16A Fifteen**

**Back Row:** *J.Eriksson, D.Peng, J.Burney, M.Feng, K.McPherson, A.Kwok, M.Rusli.*

**Second Row:** *J.Nguyen, K.Na, T.Rosengarten, M.Ling, W.Lin, D.Nam.*

**Front Row:** *A.Belokopytov, D.Fu, N.Ridges (Captain), Mr P.Scrivener (Coach), R.Chen, J.Culibao, J.Hui.*

season but the boys still managed the draw against Grammar. Tries were scored by David Kim, Shiva Sheth, Kevin Lam, amongst others throughout the course of the season, ultimately proving to be an enjoyable experience for the team. Hopefully the Year 11 boys learn from this season while the Year 12s have had an enjoyable season, and high rugby will surely be missed by all.

Rommo Pandit, Captain.

## 16A Rugby

**A**t the conclusion of this season the 16As can hold their heads high knowing that we were a rugby team that the school could be proud of. Our commitment shown towards each other was great, not only shown in training but also epitomized in the games. Learning together, training together and winning together was what this year was all about. To move from a junior style of rugby to the more experienced senior style was rewarding in many ways. The camaraderie was always going to be there with many of us playing four years of rugby together and this came through in the hard training sessions and the tough games.

The determination of this team was great throughout the season. An example of this was the Scots game when two players were sent off early in the second half. The Scots coaches realized they were losing with their B side so they decided to substitute the A side on for the second half. We were up 15-0 after the break and resisted many valiant efforts by the Scots side and were rewarded by a great 15-12 win. This was a definite highlight of the season as everyone kept their cool, stuck by each other and played with the intensity that has been lacking in the past. The conclusion of this game was definitely a highlight as we could finally declare ourselves as a tight, committed and most importantly successful outfit.

Another highlight of the season was also in the Scots game where there were more bloody noses than tries scored. In a brutal and bloody battle four High players came off on the referee's orders with blood spilling out their noses. They were hastily wiped so as to minimize time off the field. With the steely gaze of our coach Mr Scrivener making sure that the pressure was maintained at crucial times we ran away with the win bruised and bloody.

Thanks go to all the boys for putting in all year

and to Mr Scrivener who was always there encouraging and supporting us throughout the season.

Nelson Ridges, Captain.

## 16B Rugby

**T**he 16Bs had an unsuccessful pre-season, with losses to Hurlstone Agricultural 5-35 and Chevalier 7-8. They had high hopes for the GPS season and had an unsuccessful game up in Armidale, losing 5-35. The GPS season proper started more promisingly, with a win over Cranbrook, who we played instead of Newington. A narrow loss to Shore followed, and then an easy win over St Joesphs. Another narrow loss, this time to Scots, followed and the season finished with a disappointing loss to Grammar. Special mentions go to season's best player Koeun Na, and most improved players Harrison Reid, James Eriksson and Sifat (Sonny) Rahman.

Special thanks to Mr Paul Scrivener, Mr Geoff Stein, Mr Matt Bowman, Mr Wayne Baldock and parents of the players.

Toby Rosengarten, Captain.

## 15A Rugby

**T**his season has been one of great learning for the 15A squad. After a highly successful last season, the team went in to this season with high hopes. The change to age groups was always going to be tough and a couple of key players were lost to the 14s. However we gained a number of great players as well.

We felt primed for our first match against Cranbrook but were disappointed to learn it had been rained out. Our next game, against Redlands, was a tough one. We narrowly went down 17-24 but we knew that if we had taken our chances we may have had a win.

Against a big Chevalier side we were outgunned in the rucks and paid the price with a 7-17 loss. The trip to Armidale is always a highlight of the rugby season. It was a brave effort by the whole team with three front rowers out. We also lost two more forwards during the game to injury and then two more players to cards. With seven players out Josh Tassell scored a spectacular try from a long kick return. The team then attacked the line in the dying stages but we ran out of time.

The GPS season was upon us but we were



**15A Fifteen**

**Back Row:** J.Chow, J.Bastable, A.Krishnan, D.Edgtton, J.Tassell, S.Darcy.

**Second Row:** Mr A.M.Hannon (Coach), A.Blomberg, D.Kim, J.Liang, J.Musgrove, J.Whiting, L.Gordon

**Front Row:** G.Shargorodsky, B.Wang, J.Lieu, M.Ambrose (Captain), J.Nguyen, B.Chen, G.Denny-Smith.



**15B Fifteen**

**Back Row:** A.Richards, J.Hajj, R.Shenoy, L.Brown, T.Tran, A.Hopkins, R.Bi.

**Second Row:** D.Andonovski, D.Tran, L.Li, J.Lee, A.Kugendran, N.Wang, J.Chan, N.Nguyen, ----, D.Morgan.

**Front Row:** A.Vertoudakis (Coach), D.McCrae-Steele, O.Fio, G.Deacon (Captain), S.Yung, -----,  
J.Castillo, A.Pham (Coach).



pleased to get George Denny-Smith back from injury. We also welcomed Bill Wang to the side. He had missed the trials through injury and it was also his first season of rugby. Our first GPS game, against a big Newington side, started well. We kept them within reach for the first half however a lack of possession and territory meant Newington were able to put some quick tries on the board and the scoreline threatened to blow out. In the final ten minutes the boys pulled together and gained some respect from the Newington side.

We travelled out to Shore for our second GPS match and were met by a big, fast and strong side. We were shocked to see the standard of the top GPS sides and Shore ran over us to win 0-65. It was a disappointing result for the team and we knew we had work to do before two big matches against Iggies and Joeys.

Sadly heavy rain meant the Iggies match was washed out but the team trained through the holidays leading into the Joeys match.

Joeys had a classy backline but brave defence lead by our new inside centre George frustrated the Joeys backs and after fifteen minutes the scores were still level. Joeys ran in three quick tries before the break and the difference in fitness between the teams showed with Joeys throwing the ball around and running our tiring team around the park.

The team was pumped for the Scots match and we came out firing. The half time scoreline was 0-5 to Scots. Coaches Smith, Barris and Hannon stressed the need to move up quicker on the Scots five eight. We were rewarded with our first GPS try of the season. We continued to attack the line but failed to score again and the end result was 5-5.

The boys made the trip out to Parramatta to play a massive Kings side. We took the field with only thirteen players after three of our players got lost on the way. We couldn't help but feel the Kings front row weighed more than our whole team. The team's gigantic fullback ran in three quick tries early on before our lost players turned up. Some brave defence followed and the team did well to keep Kings from running all over them. However an incident involving poor sportsmanship finished the game. The team would like to apologise to the High rugby community for this incident.

Although some of the results were not as close as we may have liked, it was great to be playing

the actual As, and the team definitely benefited from it. We certainly don't plan on playing the Joeys Fourth grade in years eleven and twelve so we are happy to play their As right now. If High rugby wants to improve on recent results we must play the teams that we will be playing in First grade.

Huge thanks must go to Mr Hannon, Mr Barris and Mr Smith. Their help has been invaluable throughout the season. Thanks also goes to Jason Tassel for his defensive work and also his help in the gym.

Michael Ambrose, Captain.

## 14A Rugby

The 14As had a very successful season having lost only one of our GPS games, going down to Shore. For many of us it was our first season playing together and for others it was their first experience of rugby. Probably the game that stood out and was one to remember was against Kings. We were six tries up in the first half. This lead forced the Kings boys to rethink their strategy and replace their forward pack for the second half. The second half was far more even with two tries for each team.

Our most crucial and talented player for the season was without a doubt Shadman Ali. Scoring about thirty tries for the season he is a quick and strong attacking player who was unstoppable all season. Dominic Cheung was our most improved player. With his amazing fullback runs scoring an unbelievable number of tries he was a great addition to our team. Without a doubt our best defender was Leon Li. Throwing his body on the line, he could stop anyone who ran at him. Unfortunately he was out for our last games due to an arm injury. Next year we will be testing our skills against bigger and stronger boys in the A teams and if we are to succeed we must stay committed footballers. I'm sure the team is looking forward to the challenge next year.

Big thankyou's to Mr Beringer and Mr Scrivener for being committed coaches throughout the season. The whole 14's squad has benefited from their fun and hard training sessions. Also thankyou to the parents and current students who came and supported us in our matches and well done to the players for turning up each week. See you next season!

Alex Koerber, Captain.



**14A Fifteen**

**Back Row:** *B.Kelly, M.Tugnait, M.Wang, C.Morrow, F.Li, D.Chen, R.Ma, R.McDonald.*

**Front Row:** *D.Cheung, Y.Liu, A.Koerber (Captain), Mr J.Beringer (Coach), L.Li, R.Cohn, J.Petrie.*



**14B Fifteen**

**Back Row:** *M.Yoon, A.Gong, N.Autar, A.Feng, E.Ovadia.*

**Second Row:** *R.Azwad, L.Aylmer, I.Zaman, E.Qiu, T.Xu, M.So.*

**Front Row:** *C.Pan, R.Zhai, M.Wong (Captain), Mr J.Beringer (Coach), M.Tickner, S.Siddiqui, K.Phan.*

## 14B Rugby

**A**n eventful season with some great wins but also some disappointing losses. It was a great experience for everyone on the team, most of whom were novices. Our standout game was against SCECGS whom we beat 50-0. Towards the end of the season we saw some improvement and hopefully we can build on this for next season. Veteran fullback Isnad Zaman was our standout player, averaging around a try a game, even pulling off a hatrick in one game. A mention is also due to Michael Wong, who also scored a hatrick against Kings.

Thanks to Mr Beringer for making it all happen, and to everyone who came to support and watch us play our rugby.

Kishan Perera, Captain.

## 13A Rugby

**T**his season for the 13As has been an overall success. I think I can say on behalf of all the players on this team, we have grown as rugby players as well as young men. Being matched up against lower graded teams for half this season maybe wasn't quite the challenge that we were all awaiting, but we have rectified this by playing roughly the same grade for the second half of the season.

We came into the first match of the year with little preparation but desperate to show what we were made of. The game was against Redlands and it was a one sided contest in our favour. In this game our centres Kevin and Michael showed their class and lead us to a 40-12 victory.

Our next game was up against a tough Chevalier team. This game was played to the last minute at 5 each until a penalty was given to the opposition and they took a penalty goal. I'd like to mention Ryan and Kevin for a huge effort up front in this match. So in the end we lost to Chevalier 5-8.

Next came the Armidale trip where we were met with a stronger, faster opposition who outplayed us in the first half. By the end of the first half the score was 0-29 and we were fast losing confidence. But we stuck to our guns and came back in the second half scoring three tries to one. One of these was scored by Tom, for continually backing up the forwards. Not our best result but an effort worth mentioning.

Then came the start of the GPS season. We were ready for the tough challenge that this season would bring. We faced up against Newington and had them asking if we were actually in the 13As within the first ten minutes. In this game our loose forwards, Bart, Aaron and Leo really got up in their faces and shut them down. We won that game 41-0.

Our next game was against Shore and a bad warm up and overconfidence let the score go to 0-14 in the first half. Great efforts from Max in the second row and Oliver on the wing in this game, never missing a tackle and keeping Shore under control in the second half. Kumadika was also a star performer creaming everyone that we missed. A better effort in the second half ensured that they only scored one other try. We lost this game 0-19.

For the next game we were so prepared for Ignatius but they had their lucky stars because the game was washed out. Another hard week of training and we were getting ready for matching up against a Joeys B team. We trained hard, thinking every minute we did at training was an easier minute on the field. We all turned up early to get a good warm up in and we started out sharply in the first half. With a tries through me and Leo in the first half we were out to a 14-0 lead. But in the end the hard week at training saw our wings Kah-Yang and Kevin link up well with the rest of our backs to help seal the victory. We won this game 14-0.

The next game we played was against Scots Bs and we turned up early and really switched on for the first touch. With two early tries we got ourselves out to a 14-0 lead and looked set to run away with the match. But a lapse in concentration saw two quick tries against us in the first few minutes of the second half. Then in the dying minutes a great run from Oliver and a try in the corner sealed the victory at 19-12.

At Kings we were matched up against a huge B team. But we were not deterred and came at them with all we had. Our scrum struggled but we got it well under control by the end of the match. Bart and Vinodan had a great game each, constantly scavenging for the ball, and Chris ran the ball up as strongly as he had this season. The score at the end of the match, 0-22 didn't reflect the amount of spirit that we played with.

Next came a real test and the benchmark for the next season, playing Grammar's As. We were



**13A Fifteen**

**Back Row:** *M.Jones, A.Chin, L.Lu.*

**Second Row:** *C.Oei, K.Tian, K.Wong, R.Gu, K.Zhou, O.Sabau.*

**Front Row:** *K.Gunaratne, T.Connolly, K.Li, T.Gollan (Captain), M.Phung, V.Anandaselvakumar, B.Daniels.*



**13B Fifteen**

**Back Row:** *A.Moon, W.Yang, T.Ling, C.Kwan*

**Second Row:** *Mr G.Stein (Coach), V.Anandaselvakumar, M.Ngai, A.Zhang, J.Do, J.Edgton.*

**Front Row:** *A.Chung, D.Wang, R.Lin, S.Razeen (Captain), S.Quazi, W.Randles, W.Yuan.*

all ready and fired up to show them what we were made of. We came out with great intensity, and ran in a brilliant try in a 3 on 2 situation. Then we scored again off the back of a move with an experimental chip kick at the end. We then lost our concentration. We were stuck in our own half and when their consecutive phases caught up to us they scored. Half time arrived and the score was 12-7 in our favour. Early in the second half they scored two quick tries to make the score 12-17. Then, after a crucial injury, things started to fall apart, and we started to play footy in our half. So at full time the score was 12-20, which was a great effort since they were the first A team that we had played.

I would like to thank Drew and Tom Hoare for their coaching expertise throughout the season. It made a big difference. I also want to mention all the Bs players who stayed back to support us, and who made up our reserve bench, especially Shanaz, for his ability to play any position on the field and Alfred for his extra bulk up front.

The 13As in 2007 played nine matches for four wins and five losses scoring 148 points for with 127 against.

Tim Gollan, Captain.

## **Thirteen B Rugby**

**T**he 13Bs mainly comprised of rugby first-timers with only one player carrying a season of rugby under his wing. The season was always going to be hard but with the guidance of Mr Stein and the enthusiastic year sevens the season looked brighter.

The first test for the 13Bs outfit came against Hurlstone's 13As. We played the game through the forwards. In fact a little too much, with the backline rarely seeing the ball. Nevertheless Aaron powered over the line with relative ease. It soon became a lead of fifteen with another try to Aaron and one for Oliver. Some poor defence on our part, a lack of match fitness suddenly found us behind by twenty six points. The final score was 15-41. Despite the score line you could tell everyone had given their all.

The trip to Armidale was enjoyable and was the first trip to Armidale for everyone in the team. We lost the game 7-12 in the last ten minutes. It was a case of celebrating before the full-time whistle blew.

After a week of solid training we were raring to play against Newington and this showed in the game where we were leading for most of the game but again it was a case of celebrating before the full time whistle blew.

We came up against a strong Shore team and we were completely outclassed with the score line being 7-22. We highlighted areas that needed improvement such as our cleanout and the amount of ball we could force the opposition to turnover by holding up the maul.

After a long holiday of not having any training we came up against Joey's and got beaten 5-41.

After this poor performance we were determined to win and that's just what we did against Scots, beating them by a margin of twenty four points. It was also good for the team to be able to keep them down to nil.

We went to King's pretty confident and raring to go. We won convincingly with Julian grabbing a double, Tien a hat trick and Wade and Richard pitching in with a try each. The best try of the match however was Anthony's try where we recycled the ball well and Anthony our flyhalf looped back around and scored.

"I love playing Grammar," said Vinodan, a 13A player. What Vinodan meant was that we should finish the season off on a high. It was a closely fought game, with Grammar leading with ten minutes to go but Tien sealed the victory with his trademark sixty metre solo try.

Our record of three wins from six matches in the GPS is not impressive but wins and losses only show one side of the story. It doesn't show the heart and determination that we put in to those games.

I would like to thank all the players in the Bs for their commitment throughout the season. On behalf of the team I would also like to thank Mr Stein for all his hard work not just as our coach but as MIC of the Sydney High Rugby.

Shanaz Razeen, Captain.

# Football

## Football Master

**H**igh fielded 23 teams this year in the GPS football competition. Our First Grade team participated in the CHS knockout (Rd 1), CIS Cup (Rd1) and St Andrews Cup competitions. The 15As also competed in the Bill Turner Cup (Rd2)

GPS representatives for 2007 included Lachlan Street and Josh Weight both in First Grade, and Gehan Karunaratne, Aaron Shuttleworth and Daniel Campion, all in the Second Grade team. Congratulations to all of the boys on their well-deserved selections.

This year High football held its first presentation dinner, which was extremely well supported. It was a wonderful opportunity for the efforts and achievements of players, coaches and supporters of High football to be recognised. Each team selected a player of the year award and the recipients are listed below. Congratulations to you all for a fine season.

1st Grade	Joshua Weight
2nd Grade	Harry Walker
3rd Grade	Ziggy Harrison-Tikisci
4th Grade	Oleg Koudashev
5th Grade	Adrian Ng
6th Grade	Ricky Ratnayake
16A	Harrison Lane
16B	Leonard Teng
16C	Christian Katsikaros
16D	Timothy Siu
15A	Joseph Braverman
15B	Julian Ubaldi
15C	Vinh Vo
15D	Ian Lu
14A	Gabriel Garayalde
14B	Derrick Wei
14C	Kevin Lu
14D	Henry Lu
13A	Gavin Sutton
13B	Max Chien
13C	John Kim
13D	Jerry Zhou
13E	Luke De La Cour

The Dolan Cup had an exciting finish with three teams, Fifth Grade, 13Ds and the 15Ds, all in contention on the final Saturday. A nil all draw enabled Fifth grade to fall over the line as Dolan

Cup winners, their nearest rivals both suffering agonising defeats. Coached by Peter Lee, Fifth Grade had a superb season, remaining undefeated and not conceding a single goal all year!

The Golden Boot award was won by Ian Lu from the 15Ds and the Golden Glove award was won by Matt Lee from Fifth Grade, who incredibly managed not to concede a goal all season, including trial matches.

## 2007 Season Observations

### First Grade

High fielded its strongest, most experienced First Grade team for several years, with captain Gehan Karunaratne, Jeremy Luscombe, Aaron Shuttleworth and Lachlan Street all playing their third year at the top level. They were complemented by a talented group that made the transition from Second Grade 2006. Expectations for the 2007 season were accordingly high.

A tough start to the 2007 season saw High draw with Shore, and suffer narrow losses to Newington and Riverview in the first three rounds. One point from a possible nine meant our season was effectively over. Pleasingly the team continued to train and play strongly and recorded three straight victories to put us equal third going into the final round. A final round loss to Grammar meant High finished fourth.

Whilst the final position on the table was a little disappointing, I would like to congratulate all of the First Grade players this year for your efforts. You all displayed the spirit that is synonymous with High football teams.

### Second Grade

Kim Dickson and Steven D'Souza, both class 2004 and former first grade players, enthusiastically took over the Second Grade coaching duties from the long serving Nic Apoifis. Traditionally a difficult job, they had to blend a range of players from Years 10, 11 and 12 into a functioning team.

Unfortunately for the boys, Second Grade had trouble converting scoring opportunities and finished a disappointing eighth, securing just the one victory. The final position is not a fair reflection of the effort put in by the coaches and players, with four of six losses by just a solitary



**First Grade Football**

**Back Row:** *D.Blaxell, T.Castleton, L.Street, P.Locke, D.Campion.*

**Front Row:** *R.Xu, A.Shuttleworth, Mr R.Gifford (Coach), K.Karunaratne (Captain), Dr K.Jaggar (Principal), J.Weight, J.Luscombe.*



goal. I expect First Grade 2008 to benefit from Kim and Steven's hard work, with the majority of their team pushing for higher honours next year.

Throughout the season I was able to watch every High team, from the 13Es to First Grade, play. The tradition of High teams playing in a fair and uncompromising style continues. I thank all High footballers for their participation in the program this year.

I would like to thank the staff members who supported football at High, by coordinating teams on Saturdays this year. They are, Ms Eggleton, Ms Dam, Mr Jones, Mr Hoggert, Mr Carson and Mr Loizou. A special thanks to Mr Dowdell who put up and took down nets at Moore Park West for every game played there this year.

Thanks also to the parents and old boys who coached teams, your dedication and expertise is greatly appreciated. Finally thanks to all of the boys who refereed matches this year.

Richard Gifford, MIC Football.

## **First Grade Football**

**T**he 2007 football season at High began early in the year with gruelling fitness sessions with old boys and coaches of the Second Grade, Steven "Stick" D'Souza and Kim Dickson. There was an obvious depth and range of talent in the First Grade, with eight or nine of the players having experience in First grade from previous seasons. Our preseason was mixed, with relatively unsuccessful campaigns in the Puma Cup, CIS Cup and St Andrews Cup, however we were in all the games, and the fact that our worst loss against some quality opposition was by only one goal, gave us some consolation.

Meeting last year's premiers in the first round of GPS competition was always going to be a tough task, especially with Newington retaining players with experience in the CIS and GPS Firsts representative teams of 2006. Despite this, High entered the game with an air of confidence, and had caused Newington some scares in an equal half of football to be 0-0 at the break, with Richie, Daniel and Josh having extremely strong halves at the back. However the poor surface at McKay 4 gave way to a less skilful and more physical game, playing into our opponent's hands, and a soft goal broke the deadlock, before Newington's GPS captain sealed the 0-2 result with a brilliant scissor

kick.

We met Shore in the next game, and after a dominant first half, could have been up three or four goals. Unfortunately we didn't capitalise, and after a controversial penalty to Shore, went into half time at 2-2, thanks to goals to Jeremy and myself. In the second half our fortunes changed and a much closer half prevailed, ending the game disappointingly at 2-2.

After being postponed due to heavy rain, the next fixture against eventual 2007 premiers, Saint Ignatius was held on the first Saturday of the holidays. Similar to the previous game, High created but squandered plenty of opportunities and allowed a goal in each half through nothing more than lapses in concentration. The dominance of the team was evident when the opposing coach mentioned that he was in fact embarrassed his team had come away with the points.

With premiership all but gone by the time the holidays came, training was more relaxed and the team took the chance to enjoy their football. This seemed to pay off with the next round against Joeys when we managed to score a 1-0 victory courtesy of a Shuttleworth penalty.

Scots will probably remain the most satisfying of our victories. We started out strongly with an early goal to myself, however Scots rallied with a goal of their own, and soon took the lead with a chip from halfway that Lachlan would rather forget. Shortly afterwards, a goal to Josh Weight levelled the scores once more with plenty of time remaining. With the game almost up, substitute George Lo skewed a high cross over from the right wing, which fortuitously bounced off the crossbar into the path of Jeremy, who eventually managed to get the ball into the back of the net, clinching the game in the final minute.

Against a King's team running last, High controlled the game with an early goal to Luscombe. However the tide soon turned when Aaron got sent off shortly after, leaving us with ten men from the fifth minute onwards. In what became a very physical game, Pat Locke scored his first of the season to regain the lead, whilst at the other end of the field Lachlan showed his class and saved us between the posts. After an equaliser from King's, Josh Weight's prowess in the air paid off, with a powerful header finding the goals directly from a long Tom Castleton throw in.

The final game of the season against Grammar

was a playoff for third on the ladder, but ended disappointingly, especially for the Year 12 boys, with a 0-2 loss in a game we never really worked ourselves into. The season ended with High fourth on the table with three wins, three losses and one draw.

The 2007 season had a number of individual achievements, with Josh Weight earning selection into both CIS shadow and GPS Firsts Representative teams, Lachlan Street making GPS Firsts and Aaron Shuttleworth, Daniel Campion and myself making GPS Seconds.

On behalf of the First Grade I'd like to sincerely thank Mr Gifford, who again juggled both the demanding roles of MIC and Firsts coach, Kai Lammert and old boys' Kim Dickson and Steven D'Souza for all their effort and guidance throughout the season.

Gehan Karunaratne, Captain.

## Second Grade Football

The High Second Grade of 2007 was largely a young squad of Year 10s and 11s with three Year 12 players. A strong pre-season saw various combinations and changes made to the team, which was full of confidence as the GPS season began.

The first game was a tough encounter against the fancied premiers, Newington. High controlled possession for the first half and were unlucky not to score in the second missing a penalty twice. In a sense the story of the season to come, Newington scored against the run of play, and controlled the remainder of the game to run out winners.

Highlights of the season included a heated win over Scots who finished with nine men, and a narrow loss to The King's School after two mistakes cost the game.

Despite a rain affected season moving many training sessions indoors the team as a whole developed very well. Encouragement is drawn from the improvement of younger members of the squad. Special mention goes to the year 12s of the team, Alex Lee, Bernard Wei and Harry Walker. Harry captained the team, leading by example and was recognised for his fine contribution by being voted Players' Player of the Season.

Coaches: Kim Dickson and Steven D'Souza

## Third Grade Football

RECORD: Played 6, 1 Win - 0 Draws - 5 Losses

3rd XI v Newington (HOME) Win 2-1

3rd XI v Shore (AWAY) Loss 0-1

3rd XI v Joeys (HOME) Loss 0-1

3rd XI v Scots (HOME) Loss 0-1

3rd XI v Kings (AWAY) Loss 1-3

3rd XI v Grammar (AWAY) Loss 0-2

Thank you to Oleg Koudashev who kept a number of games for the Third Grade and to the Seconds and Fourths players who backed up. The Third Grade had a flying start to the season, dominating the trial matches against St Andrews and St Aloysius. The first game of the GPS season saw Darren and Schumann score spectacular goals from opposite wings, floating the ball into the Newington goal and Nathan McDonnell kept out a late charge with some spectacular saves. High had a number of close games, including the tense one goal victory over Newington and last minute losses against Shore and Joeys.

An unfortunate first half against King's had High 0-3 and playing catch-up. An outstanding second half could not close the gap with only one goal scored, by Darren Ho, from a penalty. The last game of the season was unlucky for the Thirds with Grammar scoring two simple goals.

Ziggy Harrison-Tikisci, Captain.

## Fifth Grade Football

Fifth grade had a very successful season under the experienced eye of Coach Peter Lee. The fifths began as a squad of nineteen, resulting in the sorrowful departures of Jack, George, Mihir, and Cary. Our final squad of fifteen worked strongly as a team; we played nine games, including the pre-season, eight of which were wins and one was a draw. In total, we scored 25 goals and conceded none. We took out the Dolan Cup and the Golden Glove, only just barely missing out the Golden Boot (Bad luck, Ben).

Adrian Ng was the selected MVP of 5ths, being the integral defender and a player that lead and inspired by example. There was no challenge too skilled, tall, or fast that phased him; he came through time after time with the greatest of finesse. If there was an MIP award, it would belong to Xiaoyi Zhai. He had much to prove



**Second Grade Football**

**Back Row:** J.Cohn, A.Amin, T.Lindeback, A.Taylor, G.Lo, A.Leung, M.Spencer.  
**Front Row:** D.Chiu, M.Mikha, H.Walker (Captain), B.Wai, S.Burnham, A.Tsiaillis, A.Lee.



**Third Grade Football**

**Back Row:** Mr P.Loizou (Coach), S.Karunaratne, N.Tran, D.Simpson, N.McDonnell, K.Choi, S.Ting, M.Bock, B.Prentice-Davidson.  
**Front Row:** R.Hua, A.Naik, D.Ho, Z.Harrison-Tikisci (Captain), S.Zhang, Y.Saleh, N.Bangalore.



**Fourth Grade Football**

**Back Row:** *C.Yang, K.Yu, F.Uddin.*

**Front Row:** *A.Yeung, H.Bhrugubanda, R.Yang, G.Qin, J.Huang.*



**Fifth Grade Football**

**Back Row:** *X.Zhai, C.Liu, C.Yang, K.Mickovski, W.Ma, J.Lee.*

**Front Row:** *A.Lai, N.Lieu, B.Lee, M.Lee (Captain), A.Ng, P.Nguyen, P.Phuah.*

throughout this season and in my eyes, he's improved beyond sight and was as essential to our success as any other player. Alexandro Lai, the newie on the side, played strongly in the role of centre defensive mid, being a natural defender and keeper. He was quickly nicknamed "the Pillar" of our team by Peter, since he set up a lot of goals and added a much needed defensive edge. It was a shame his season was cut down by an ankle injury. We sorely missed his onfield presence.

We had the perfect season, a credit to the strength and devotion of the team and the professionalism of the coach Peter Lee. It couldn't have been done without him. This was his second Dolan Cup team, a real testament of his knowledge of the game and his players. A big thank you also goes to the supporters who came and watched us on Saturdays. Mr Mickovski came to every game except for our first, I think he deserves a mention. Mrs Yang was always on the sideline as well. And last of all thanks to Mr Gifford and to High Football for giving us this opportunity to represent the school in a sport we're so passionate about.

Matthew Lee, Captain.

## Sixth Grade Football

The Sixth Grade's eventful season has filled all team members with both the bitter disappointment of a close loss and the ecstasy felt in a thrilling win. Our games tested the limits of our patience, as we went on always unwilling to give up. We contested people our age, a year above us, twice as high as us, and we always left the game with a sense of satisfaction, although we may have won or lost we played as a team of friends with courage and determination. An honourable mention goes to one of our most valuable players, David Shi, for always putting his body on the line until the whistle rang in our ears full time.

His contribution and the progress he has made with such little time are greatly appreciated. Another honourable mention to Gary Truong, although out for a few weeks due to his fractured collar bone, he has been an asset and a key component of our striking force. The rest of the team has been hardworking and sensational; I hope you've enjoyed the season as much as I have.

Hari Bhrugubanda, Captain.



### Sixth Grade Football

**Back Row:** R.Ji, D.Huang, K.Wang.

**Second Row:** A.Thomas, A.Balachandran, J.Ma, S.Lee, L.Burger, D.Shi.

**Front Row:** W.Nguyen, B.Lung, G.Trung, H.Bhrugubanda (Captain), T.Cai, S.Yang, J.Diolaso.



**16A Football**

**Back Row:** *P.Kurts, C.Chen, S.Shimada, D.Lo, J.Chen.*

**Front Row:** *S.Hoang, H.Neo, K.Nguyen, N.Street (Captain), H.Lane, A.Brown, J.Chan.*



**16B Football**

**Back Row:** *R.Ahmed, V.Lim, M.Osinski, N.Wong, K.Lim, M.Fsadni (Coach).*

**Front Row:** *M.Lucchitti, A.Kourtesis, P.Desmond, T.Zhong (Captain), L.Teng, S.Chin, N.Lindeback.*

## 16A Football

Season 2007 was a successful (almost undefeated) and enjoyable season for all who experienced it. It saw the return of Andrew Bennie as coach and the introduction of Matt Jones. It was a great to have Andy back, his experience of football in the GPS, his great training sessions, and his great personality are all assets loved by the boys. Matt Jones got the job done like no other. His aggressiveness was unmatched by any player of any 16As team that we came up against. He is 6''4' and 90 kgs but that is not the point. He put his body on the line first time every time, and this was one reason for this team's superior defensive record.

A win first up against GPS heavyweights Newington saw the team's confidence soar. This was followed up by draws against Shore and St Josephs in which the team struggled to string passes together and hold possession. To the team's credit we only conceded one goal in these first three games. A 3-0 whitewash of King's saw our standard of play improve ahead of the crunch game against Grammar. A 0-2 loss was reflective of the match. Grammar dominated all over the park, and we struggled to play our game.

Congratulations boys on a great season. I believe we are the best side in the GPS when we play our game. It is all there boys. Let us win the first grade title in 2009. Thanks once again to our great coach Andrew Bennie, parents and supporters, and the boys that have made this season so much fun and so successful.

Neil Street, Captain.

## 16B Football

The Sixteen Bs opened Season 2007 in a blaze of glory. Last year proved to be a bit half-half, all effort but unfortunately little result, but this season represented a great change to this idea. Everything about this year was fresh, a new keeper, new coach, new players, and perhaps most significantly, new results.

The pre-season was a strong effort with wins all around. St. Andrews, the season opener (bar the win against our very own Sixteen Cs), was a stunner with a 5-1 win and a particularly masterful play by Kang Lim who went home with his very own hat trick. SCECGS resulted in a draw, however in the following week we bounced back

and attained victory, this time in the form of the Shore Sixteen Cs. With the pre-season now completed in the strongest of fashions, the entire team was eager to tackle the upcoming GPS season. However what last year had taught us was that winning pre-season games didn't necessarily equal winning GPS games.

With this knowledge in hand we trained like there was no tomorrow, and now a little insight of the season's training sessions. It was fitness on the menu, session after session, week after week; sprints, laps, circuits; you name it, we ran it. This training regime was the legacy of former coach Matt Mulroney [1st Grade, 1st GPS, 1st CIS] and current coach Matt Fsadni. Both great fans of fitness, Mulroney loved 'The Indian File' while Fsadni was a 'World Cup' man, which was not so much fitness but good fun.

The GPS season had arrived and we welcomed it with open arms. Newington stepped up first and the game was particularly promising. We pushed hard, as did they, but in the end they came out on top with a result of 1-2. The second game was Shore and from here the mark was truly set. Impressive is the word, and as we took a 2-0 lead in the first half, they came back in the second to finish things off at 3-3. This was the B-team's best GPS result since that landmark 2005 season and because of this, we were all ecstatic. Disappointingly, the Iggies match was washed out leaving Joeys to step up to the plate. The masters of Rugby kept their reputation that day, they gave us a 3-1 win and yet another record result. It seemed that all of this fitness training really was paying off. The next match however was not so pleasing, a 0-5 loss against Scots. Who knows what happened that week, a mysterious bout of "Football Flu" that affected the entire team or maybe just bad luck, however all it left us feeling was more determined for the next game.

Kings - we had lost 0-6 last year. Who knew what would happen this year. Epic is possibly the only word to describe the match. We scored in the first half, a definite pleaser but by no means a match winner. As the second half ensued it was as if a battle was being fought, attack-counter-attack-counter, who knew what would happen next, well it was heartbreak. With just five minutes to go they scored, slipping one in just past keeper Tim's hands, it seemed as if all was lost...until the closing ten seconds of the match, when striker





**16C Football**

**Back Row:** *A.Xie, M.Kayes, M.Lau, R.Lau, W.Pan, A.Li.*

**Front Row:** *P.Nguyen, R.Ahmed, J.Tan (Captain), C.Katsikaros, B.Diep, B.Apolonio, T.Lim.*



**16D Football**

**Back Row:** *X.Quah, V.Khou, N.Spoljaric, J.Li, A.Ang.*

**Front Row:** *M.Sin, L.Tran, M.Dinh (Captain), V.Ung, B.Apolonio, M.Nguyhen, D.Wu.*



**15A Football**

**Back Row:** *T.Xiao, A.Liu, J.Sutton, K.Taylor, M.Carr, M.Fong.*

**Front Row:** *B.Cabanilla, N.Adel, P.Simos, A.Paul (Captain), J.Braverman, E.Hui, A.Vithanage.*



**15B Football**

**Back Row:** *N.Slinko, B.Li, A.Chiem, J.Ding.*

**Front Row:** *R.Kamal, J.Ubaldi, P.Baweja, M.Moreno (Captain), P.Radhakrishnan, S.Kim, T.Silveira.*

Stan chipped one past the King's keeper to win us the game and secure the greatest comeback ever, period. And so Grammar was the season closer, a game we were eager to get in to. I like to think we all played very well. Unfortunately it was a 0-2 loss, our performance by no means second-rate.

And so aty season's end, I think this is a good time to reflect upon the events of the last few months. A team of bright players took part in this beautiful game and truly did come out on top. We had our struggles but we also had some of our greatest achievements. Now is the time to acknowledge the players, all of whom put in great effort and great play. Leonard Teng came out as MVP this season, an award truly deserved as he performed game after game. Mark Lucchitti has been the most consistent player, scoring goals every game and getting on the players tally time after time. And from keeper to forwards, every member of the Sixteen Bs performed magnificently.

Thanks go to coach Matt Mulroney, unfortunately unable to give us a whole season, but those few weeks were greatly appreciated. Matt Fsadni proved to be just what we needed on those Wednesday afternoons, a good mixture of fun and fitness. And Andy Bennie, our third year with him and still he [is having a laugh] comes up with jokes and training to please all. Boys, I look forward to next year, whether we play on the same team or whether you are playing at all, I know the good times we had this season won't be forgotten. With the words of the great Gerald Brennan in mind 'Old age takes away from us what we have inherited and gives us what we have earned'. Perhaps in the year that has passed since the Fifteen Bs, we have truly grown, and from that, we truly earned this season. Well done boys, well done. Patrick Desmond, Captain.

## 16D Football

**T**he start of season saw an influx of new players in the mighty 16Ds. Even though some of them had a lot to learn, our intense training sessions with Foo and Tim showed them the way. On the whole I am very proud of the team's performance this season with Timothy Siu being player of the season and Matt Nguyen being the most improved.

I would like to thank our coaches Foo and Tim who coached us every Wednesday and watched us

win nearly every Saturday, the parents who cheered us on and lastly, the 16Ds who turned up every Saturday to give our opponents such competition. See you next year guys!

Matthew Dinh, Captain.

## 15B Football

**W**e played a total of six games, two of which were trials, but unfortunately won only our first trial. We had several problems with late arrivals and changing of sports but were luckily able to scrape together a team each week. We had a few close matches and lost a match from a position of 3-1 up with ten minutes left, but we all put in for every game

Avindu Vithanage was only with our team for a few weeks before moving up to the As, but scored three goals and was our top scorer. Almost half our team had been brought up from the Cs for this season but we played well as a team and started to really improve, thanks to some good coaching by Robin, and worked cooperatively in the last couple of games.

As I have previously mentioned, Robin did a great job coaching us and helping to improve our fitness, as well as taking care of the As when their coaches were unavailable. I thank him for his efforts and the team's commitment.

Nikita Slinko, Captain.

## 15C Football

**T**his season, the 15Cs got off to a great start. We won our first two matches by a large margin and managed to play well all throughout the season. We played many strong teams this season, managing to win a number of games, but our losses are something I hope we can learn from in the future. Overall the 15Cs had a great season and we hope to continue this into the future.

Special mention goes to our top goal scorer, Vinh Vo, who despite injuring his knee while doing some basketball "tricks", still played very well. The most enthusiastic player of the team, Matthew Phung, also deserves mention for his great cheerleading skills while on the bench, though there was very little of it because he was rarely off the field.

Thanks to our coach Eddy, who was at all of our matches.

Harry Vi, Captain.



**15C Football**

**Back Row:** C.Tin-Loi, D.Yan, L.Wang, V.Vo, L.Liu, H.Vi, R.Lin, B.Ly.

**Front Row:** C.Wong, A.Chawla, A.Guo, D.Ma (Captain), W.Santucci, M.Phung, W.Lee.



**14A Football**

**Back Row:** D.Gorey, A.Huynh, W.Stefanidis, N.Bhagwat, D.Chandra.

**Front Row:** G.Garayalde, W.Shao, R.Caetano (Captain), S.Danziger, L.Vlatko, M.Kobras, S.Lane.



**14B Football**

**Back Row:** *K.Shao, I.Bonch-Osmolovskiy, S.Beston, H.Tran, M.Robertson, K.Sivayogarayan, D.Wei.*

**Front Row:** *P.Castillo, C.Do, K.Qian (Captain), I.Eveleigh, G.Panas, D.Chan, A.Rudder.*



**14C Football**

**Back Row:** *E.Zhu, B.Cheng, I.Khan, K.Lu, M.Rozsa, V.Wang, Mr M.Jones (Coach).*

**Front Row:** *M.Reid, L.Sheldon, V.Sethi, A.Mokdad (Captain), Y.Chan, M.Deng, L.Lou.*

## 14A Football

Last year was a disappointing season and the Fourteen As came into the 2007 season with nothing more than a loss under our belts. This year started off similarly with a 1-3 loss to Newington in the pre-season campaign. This all changed the next week against St Andrews when the star coach, Frank Caetano, made a few changes to the team. Luke was put stopper, William as striker and Shao right-wing. After an exciting hour of football, it was all tied up at one each, our first positive result yet. Next was a disappointing 0-4 loss to Shore.

We were pumped going into the GPS season as we had found a new star keeper, Andrew Ye. Our hopes were shattered though by Newington with a 0-2 loss. In the rematch with Shore, we came out stronger with a 2-0 win, William opening the scoring and Sam closing it with a screamer. The game against Saint Ignatius was washed out. We were a little unlucky not to win against Joey's, the score 1-1.

The Scots match was one of the best games of the season, especially for the back line. Shao scored first, then followed two headers from William with a Scots goal in between. 3-1 was the final score. A sudden loss of keeper Andrew Ye lowered our spirits for the next game against Kings. However, it ended up 1-1, Ryan Caetano scoring the goal of the season with a free kick from forty metres out. The same result was decided against rivals Grammar.

We would like to thank the coach, Frank Caetano, for turning our season around and giving up his time to train us and Shimon for goalkeeping for us when Andrew Ye was injured.

Ryan Caetano, Captain.

## 14B Football

The 14B soccer team of the 2007 season came away with three wins and one draw against Grammar. With Michael Robertson, Ashwin Rudder and Paulo Castillo as strikers, Samuel Beston, Derek Wei, Botong Cheng and Ken Shao as our midfield, our defence consisted of Howard Tran, Cornelius Do, Isaac Eveleigh as goalkeeper and me as captain.

We were coached by the hard-working Mr Robertson who gave us extra training sessions every Thursday. He has helped us in all areas of

soccer. The GPS games have helped us form new friendships and develop very well as a team.

Notable players include Samuel Beston, Derek Wei and Michael Robertson. We are very grateful for the sporting activities offered by the school and we will continue to work hard in our football.

Kevin Qian, Captain.

## 14C Football

The team played five games during the season with two wins, one loss and two draws. There were fifteen players who played during the year, four of whom were new to the game.

The highlight of the season was the 2-0 win over Grammar. The best player was Kevin Lu. The most improved were Leo Lu and Yu Sing Chan.

Many thanks to our coach Stephen Sheldon. Leon Sheldon, Captain.

## 14D Football

We played eight games, had three wins two losses and three draws. A total of eighteen players were used during the season. We scored eight times, highest point scorers being Benson with four and then Yassa with two.

Henry Lu performed excellently in setting up goals and defending. Yassa was usually first to score in a game, opening up the point difference. Vinson also defended very well.

Thank you to Mr Jones for coaching the team and providing his advice and support.

Henry Lu, Captain.

## 13A Football

At the start of the 2007 soccer season our team was full of hope. The team was optimistic and we expected to win most of our games. Before the first game there was incredible tension amongst the team - we were very nervous as we heard that Newington was a very good team. As the game kicked off our team was very sloppy and gave away possession because of the fact that this was the first time we were all playing on the same field. As the final whistle blew the game ended in a 0-3 defeat, our team was very disappointed about the game.

After our first proper training session we were optimistic again and we held our heads high before



**14D Football**

**Back Row:** A.Chan, K.Fang, Y.Wong, A.Sarker, D.Park, M.Wei, Mr M.Jones (Coach).

**Front Row:** Y.Chowdhury, B.Ou, D.Wang, H.Lu (Captain), V.Zhneng, J.Wang, C.Wu.



**13A Football**

**Back Row:** H.Han, S.Renzenbrink, S.Reiyder, J.Kim, W.Lin, A.Fong, M.Yim.

**Front Row:** R.Hua, A.Hughes, N.Ma, A.Purcal, G.Sutton, J.Koukouris, B.Laird.





**13B Football**

**Back Row:** *E.Hoque, B.Jeyarasa, K.Dutta, E.Naoumov, K.Krahe, G.Liang.*

**Front Row:** *D.Sabharwal, N.Ooi, H.Heo, T.Chim (Captain), M.Birch, M.Chien, K.Visvaa.*



**13C Football**

**Back Row:** *T.Montanaro, B.Wilcox, D.Fong.*

**Second Row:** *L.Nguyen, V.Nguyen, P.Wu, H.Yu, S.Hoque, V.Ye, S.Prusty, S.Saleh.*

**Front Row:** *C.Zhang, M.Pham, E.Lieu, J.Park (Captain), J.Tsai, H.Wei, A.Dutta.*

our second pre-season clash against St Andrews. Early in the game we were absolutely dominant but a lapse in defence saw us give away an early goal. Seconds later an outside the box shot saw Slava equalize, then on the brink of halftime Pat dribbled past two defenders and scored a great goal. After halftime we kept on top with Slava scoring another outside the box shot and Wilson finishing it off.

Our next two games were a double header against Shore. In the first one we were defeated 0-3 and in the second game we drew 1-1 - a goal by Min-Wu got us a point from that game and we got our only point of the season as we lost all the other games with Jim and Slava scoring the only other goals for our team. In the end we finished with one win, one draw and five losses.

Our most valued player was Gavin Sutton and our top scorer was Captain Slava Reiyder with three goals. Special thanks go to our coach Kevin Kim for standing by our side despite our results. Slava Reiyder, Captain.

## 13D Football

**D**uring the season we lost one game and that was the last game against Grammar. Jerry Zhou scored seven goals for the season and came second in the Golden Boot. Our goalkeeper Allen Fu let in only three goals during the season - he also came second in the Golden Glove. Our team was a super team and we lost by one point in the Dolan Cup to the mighty Fifth Grade.

I would like to thank Mr Carson and Ziggy for coaching our team. And I would also like to thank Mr Gifford, the parents and the teachers for organising the games and the end of season football dinner which was excellent!

Jerry Zhou, Captain.

## 13E Football

**D**uring the season we had one win, a draw and numerous losses. Michael Nguyen improved a lot. Luke de la Cour and Dhruv Gupta were good players (strikers).

Fred Meng, Captain.





**13D Football**

**Back Row:** *W.Ho, C.Stack, T.Hang.*

**Second Row:** *C.Wan, S.Dias, J.Pharm, K.Xu, L.Fang, T.Mok, A.Fu.*

**Front Row:** *V.Chen, R.Lee, S.Do, J.Zhou (Captain), J.Lo, W.Zhou, E.Mehmedbasic.*

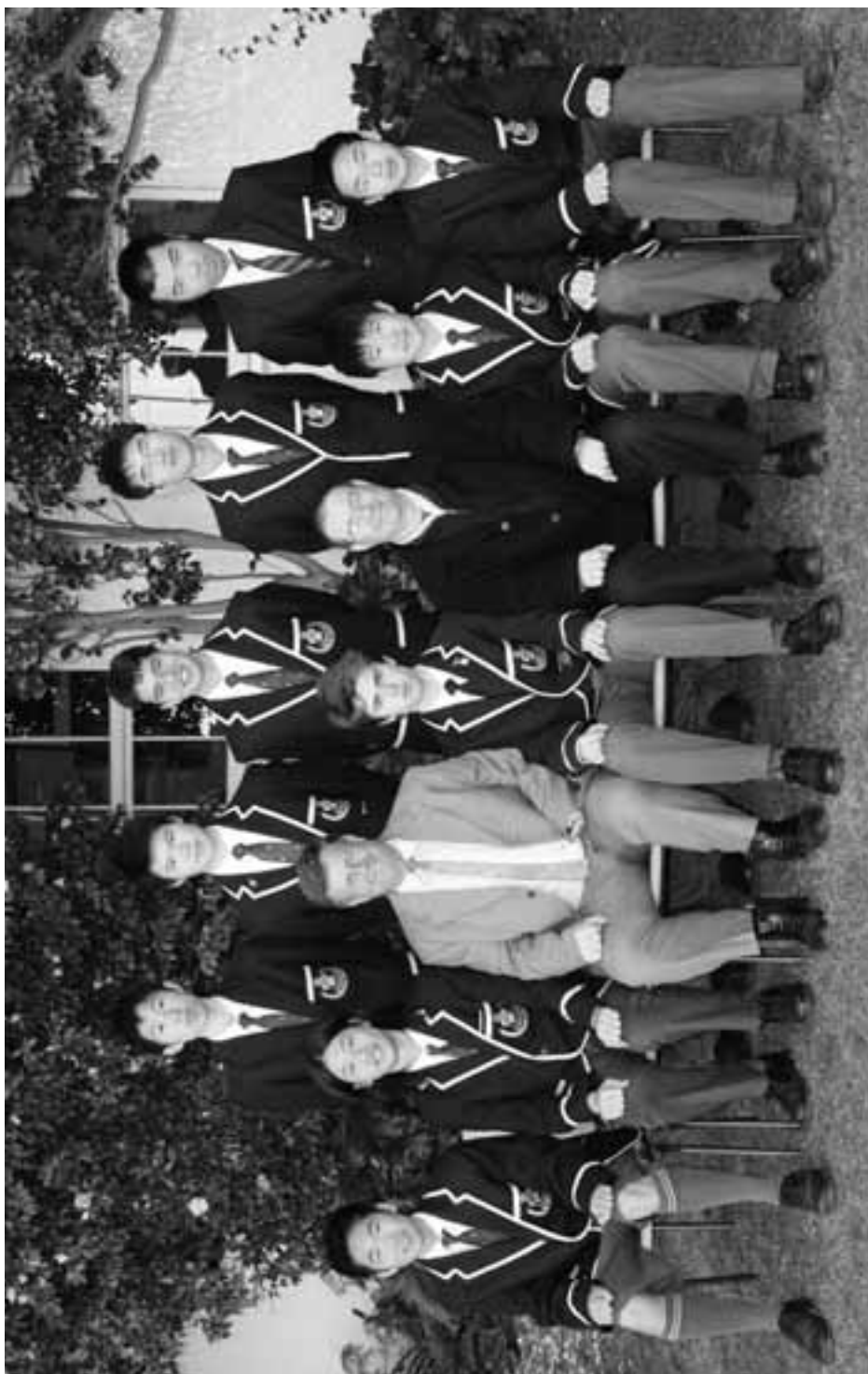


**13E Football**

**Back Row:** *R.Manahan, M.Song, M.Lam, K.Chu, J.Ho.*

**Front Row:** *M.Nguyen, L.de la Cour, Y.Han, D.Guptaa (Captain), B.Lee, H.Chen, J.Jiang.*

# Cross Country



**First Grade Cross Country**

**Back Row:** A.Tang, A.Leung, E.Montoya Zorrilla, S.Liu, J.Dai.

**Front Row:** E.Ang, L.Tan, Dr K Jagger (Principal), E.Stadnik (Captain), Mr J.Prorellis (MIC), B.Tseng, P.Li.

## **Cross Country**

**T**he 2007 Cross Country season was a very pleasing one for Sydney High. In GPS competition, everyone showed great commitment to Saturday runs, with virtually everyone qualifying for the GPS Championships. All team members should be congratulated on their efforts and achievements this season. Our First grade team this year consisted of: Eric Ang, Jun Dai, Andrew Leung, Phillip Li, Simon Liu, Lucian Tan, Andrew Tang, Ben Tseng, Edwin Montoya Zorilla (Vice Captain) and me. Pasan Pannila (Under 14s) and Edwin Montoya-Zorilla (Opens) were our most impressive runners on Saturdays, with Pasan and Edwin finishing 13th and 17th in their respective Championship runs. The Sydney High Invitational Carnival was once again well hosted this year with the generous donation of time and effort by our masters-in-charge, members of staff and parents.

In CHS competition, we had a fruitful year, with twelve runners, including two teams, making it through to the NSW All Schools Carnival: Pasan Pannila (13s), Samuel Lane (14s), Harrison Lane and Jeremy Ireland (15s), Edwin Montoya Zorilla, Michael Denny-Smith, Matthew Ling and Nathan McDonnell (16s), Ty Linegar, Tom Castleton, Roshan Karunaratne and me (Opens). Samuel Lane was easily the pick of our runners at the State Carnival, placing thirteenth. Both our teams placed fourth in their respective events.

I would like to thank our masters-in-charge, Messrs Prorellis and Kesting, and Mr Bigelow, for their support and management at training and on Saturdays, and wish them and all Sydney High runners in years to come to keep up their efforts and to continue Sydney High's proud tradition.

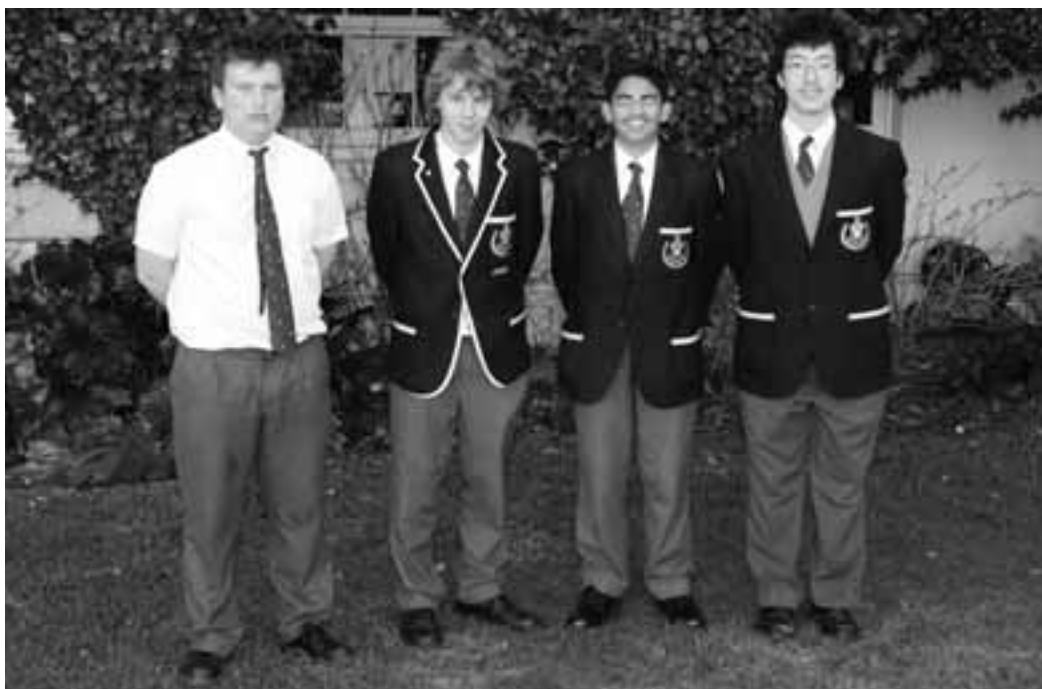
Eugene Stadnik, Captain.



### **Open Cross Country**

**Back Row:** C.Tong, N.Uddin, A.Tang, A.Leung, E.Montoya Zorrilla, S.Liu, J.Wong, B.Fang.

**Front Row:** E.Ang, L.Tan, Dr K.A.Jagar (Principal), E.Stadnik (Captain), Mr J.Prorellis (MIC), B.Tseng, P.Li.



**16 Years Cross Country**

*L.Appleton, C.Evans, I.Bapat, W.Chan.*



**14 Years Cross Country**

*J.Adhika, P.Pannila, S.Feng, D.Luo, I.Kim, S.Marques, K.Zheng.*

## Rifle Shooting

During the second week of the July holidays, the club ran its annual training camp from Monday 9 to Friday 13 at Malabar. Each day, members of the First Grade team (plus other eager members of the club) would spend up to nine hours (8:00 am to 5:00 pm) in preparation for the All Schools Rifle Competition on Saturday 14 and the GPS Shoot during the following week. I am extremely proud to say that the dedication of our first grade team during this time, in spite of often atrocious weather conditions, most certainly paid off, with all members displaying a marked improvement in performance during the week. This was reflected in the performance of Sydney High A team (the top 5 shooters of First Grade - myself, I.Nadkarni, M.Tong, M.Vu and C.Lam) during the All School's competition, coming overall fourth (out of 13 teams) and walking away with the Prorak Trophy, a prize competed for between High, The Armidale School and New England Girls.

The following Monday at Hornsby Rifle Range saw the beginning of the GPS competition, with the first day being one final practice before open competition. The high standard of shooting seen during the previous week followed through to the performance of High First Grade during the day, and showed much promise for the rest of the competition. The first of three matches - the

Rawson Cup - was held on Tuesday, and perhaps due to the pressures of competition, our newest additions to First Grade were not up to their best and the match closed with Shore taking a convincing lead, and with only a very small margin separating Grammar, TAS and High. Disappointingly, this trend repeated itself for the remaining matches - the NRA shield on Tuesday afternoon and the Buchanan shield on Wednesday, resulting in an overall placement of fifth for High First Grade.

Despite this, I am confident of the strength within the club, the school and its alumni and the continued support that has been integral to the survival of shooting at High. Thanks must be given to the Tong family for their continued heavy involvement in the program. Special thanks also to Old Boys Joe Banh, Chris Budd, Justin Hill, David Jacques and John Fraser (who competed alongside Sir Roden Cutler in the High Rifle team in 1932) for their support throughout the All Schools and GPS; and very special thanks to Tom Vogelgesang, Kevin Chan and Daniel Comben who have proven to be instrumental as coaches of the Rifle Club. I look forward to giving my continued support to the Rifle Club, which celebrates its 125th anniversary next year.

Anthony Ho, Captain.







**First Grade Rifle Shooting**

**Back Row:** *P.Wu, M.Vu, I.Nadkarni, A.Shapilskiy, C.Lam.*

**Front Row:** *M.Tong, P.Chen (Captain), Dr K.A.Jaggar (Principal), A.Ho, D.Stojanovic.*

# Fencing

Fencing has traditionally been a small sport at High. However, in recent years, the number and quality of our fencers has increased, reflected in our competition results and in the higher profile that fencing now enjoys at High.

In 2007, High fencers competed in the Senior and U15 Schools State Team Championships; the Senior, U15 and U13 Schools State Individual Championships; the A J Rae Shield; the NSW Schools Fencing League; as well as various smaller competitions that several individuals competed in including: the Gilt Series Junior Foil and Epee events; and the President's Cup Foil Series.

In the pre-season, in February, Boris Zolotarev competed in and was ranked 25th in the President's Cup Men's Foil, the highest level competition a High fencer has performed in.

The official fencing season started in late April with the Senior Schools State Individual Championships. Despite being Julian Byrnes's first competition at the Senior level, he gained our top result with a final ranking of 12th.

The following week, Anirban Ghose and

Caillin McKay competed in the U15 Schools State Individuals; on the same day, Ian Ho and Albert Nguyen competed in the U13 division. Congratulations to Ian Ho who finished 5th, an excellent performance.

The Individual competitions were followed by the Team Championships. High ranked 6th in the U15 division, and fifth in the Senior division. Our two other teams in the Senior division attained top 15 ranks.

In early June two of our teams were invited to compete in the A J Rae Shield. Only sixteen teams are invited each year and so we were faced with tough competition. We were able to maintain our fifth rank from the previous competition.

The major competition of the fencing season is the Schools League, with three teams in the Senior A division, three in Senior B and five in the Minis division. In the preliminary rounds competed over four weeks our Mini's A team won five from six matches, an impressive feat. They were seeded fourth for the finals. Our Second Grade team won three from five matches, a commendable



## Fencing

**Back Row:** A.Klocker, B.Zolotarev, P.Duffy, A.Clune, A.Ghose, C.McKay, P.Tang, J.Aclis.

**Third Row:** H.Schilling, M.Hammer, J.Byrnes, H.Mack, D.Tran, P.Hsiao, S.Tang, M.Phillis, N.Paul, F.Li, T.Chen.

**Second Row:** I.Ho, M.Zhu, S.Pak, D.Selvakkumar, B.Hillier, C.Luiker, A.Ng, J.Ng, H-T.Lin, W.Baxter, A.Lau, A.Wu, M.Chin, H.Liu.

**Front Row:** A.Xu, W.Yeung, B.Jian, T.Funston, M.Pan, Y.Lin (Captain), Mrs J.May (MIC), A.Paul, M.Chan, A.Vu, S.Fletcher, A.Nguyen, M.Lee.

performance as one of the teams that we were defeated by did not drop a single bout against any other school. Congratulations to our First Grade team for winning all 5/5 matches. We convincingly defeat Sydney Grammar's A team 6-3. Well done to Patrick Duffy, Amadeus Klocker, Yu Lin, and Mitchell Hammer, our reserve. Perhaps the highlight of our season was defeating Grammar in the Schools League.

Thanks to our great coaches and hard training, after the preliminary round, six of our teams were to compete in the finals, two teams from each division. High hopes were placed on our Minis A and first grade team, ranking 4th and 3rd respectively, in the respective divisions. On the big day, our Minis A team easily won their first match. Their second match was the semi-final, and was against the top seeded team. Unable to prevail against a champion team, we were forced to fight for bronze in the next match. The match was extremely close, and the bout-score was tied at 4-4 in a nine bout contest. The final bout went into over-time, the point-score being 4-4 with one minute left to fence. Unfortunately, our Minis missed out on a bronze medal by a single point.

The First Grade match on the finals day was begun with a surprise loss in the first two bouts. Fighting uphill against a tough opponent we managed to level the bout-score to four all. The final bout saw the lead change several times and we were fairly confident of a win. However, in a nail biting bout we lost by a point, uncannily reflecting our Minis A results.

Our teams competed well as seen in our Minis A's fourth place and our First Grade's fifth place.



*Fencing Medallists.*

Congratulations to Yu Lin for this gold medal for individual performance in the Senior A Division. Yu Lin won every bout in the preliminary round. This is the first gold medal at this level in six years at High, a promising sign of future successes to come.

Congratulations also to Shaun Pak for gaining a bronze medal for individual performance and Ian Ho for earning a gold medal for individual performance in the Minis division. These impressive achievements from our young talent should hopefully translate into successes in coming years. Keep training hard guys! Thank you to our MIC, Ms May, for her positive attitude, incredible patience and dedication to fencing; and to our coaches, Alwyn Wardle and Tuko Maia, for their highly successful training sessions.

A big thank you to Mrs. G.Klocker, an avid supporter of fencing over the past six years. It is fair to state that fencing might not be around anymore without her, let alone have its many successes. Not enough credit can be given for her tireless efforts, her enthusiasm and dedication to fencing. Over the years, she has not only organised countless events and fencing meetings, but also catalogued our entire armoury, and helped and supported our fencers every Saturday whether it was our first day competing, or just one of our off days. For an entire year, she volunteered her time and money to drive fencers home after training on Monday and Wednesday nights. The fencing community at High wishes to express our deepest gratitude to Mrs. G Klocker for her very generous contributions to fencing at High.

Yu Lin, Captain



**First Grade Fencing**

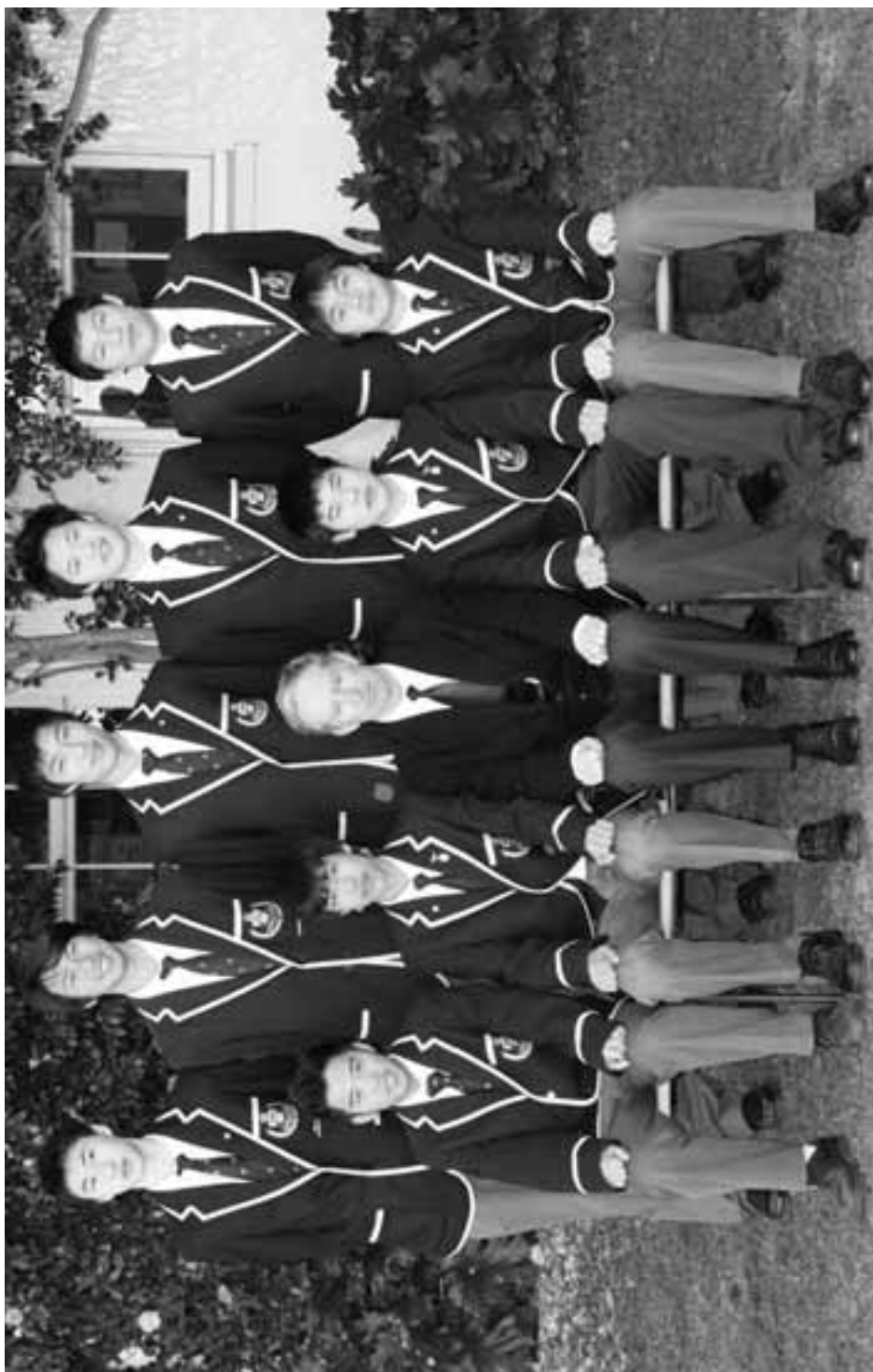
*Y.Lin, P.Duffy, A.Klocker, M.Hammer.*



**Second Grade Fencing**

*D.Tran, J.Byrnes, A.Clune, B.Zolotarov.*

# Volleyball



## First Grade Volleyball

**Back Row:** *S.Dong, T.Ly, W.Trac, P.Du, A.Le.*

**Front Row:** *D.Dizon, V.Nguyen (Captain), Mr M.Kay (Coach), W.Lu, J.Tao.*

## First Grade Volleyball

A year overflowing with victories! It may well be the greatest and most successful season ever for Sydney High Volleyball. First Grade Volleyball continued to assert its supremacy over rival teams in the CHS Knockout, the GPS Competition as well as various NSW Metro Schools Cups. The year has yielded terrific results for both junior and senior teams, evidence that Sydney High Volleyball is 'growing in leaps and bounds.'

The junior teams (Yr 9s, Yr 8s, Yr 7s) have performed especially well throughout 2007. They have gained pleasing results in Metro Schools Cups and in the Sydney High Junior Volleyball Tournament. The senior teams have also competed fiercely during the course of the season. The results speak for themselves with 2nd Grade becoming GPS Premiers once again despite losing one game to a well-drilled Grammar team. All in all the level of participation in volleyball has skyrocketed in 2007. In one instance over 10 teams were competing at one Metro Schools Cup, an indication that the future of High Volleyball is something to look forward to.

For First Grade Volleyball the squad was much the same as the previous season. The team finished off last season strongly with a bronze medal in the Australian Schools Volleyball Cup. The 2007 team consisted of David Dizon (utility), Alex Le (setter), Ping Du (centre blocker), Jamie Tao (setter/universal), Warren Trac (centre blocker), Terry Ly (outside hitter), Ding Hua Xiao (centre blocker), Weiping Lu (centre blocker), Stephen Dong (libero) and Co-Captains Oliver Konakoff (outside hitter) and Victor Nguyen (setter). This group of young men have shown dedication, commitment and desire in their cause.

In 2007 First Grade Volleyball once again brought home the CHS Championship and the GPS Championship, making it three years straight! It is worth noting that the team achieved this WITHOUT dropping a set!

In the CHS Knockout First Grade breezed through the early rounds and in doing so booked itself into the final sixteen showdown at Olympic Park. Here the team faced some stiff opposition. However the boys were widely experienced, having been through this the previous two years. The team easily accounted for West Wyalong

High School and Nowra High School during the first day. On the second day First Grade was up against archrivals Baulkham Hills High School. A win would see High progress into the finals for a third straight year. The team grinded out the game, eventually overpowering Baulkham Hills in three tough sets. The CHS final saw High play opponents Great Lakes College for a second straight year. The large crowd that assembled to witness the game included various old boys, family members, friends and a busload of junior High students. Their support fired up the boys as we proved too strong, winning the match in straight sets (25-22 in the third) and taking home the CHS Championship for the third straight year. Oliver Konakoff and Terry Ly played exceptionally well, spiking consistently with ferocious power and incredible accuracy.

In the GPS Competition First Grade went through 2007 undefeated, becoming GPS Champions as they proved too skilful for schools such as Newington, Scots and Riverview. The team's only real opponent and rivalry, one they enjoy as a matter of fact, was Grammar. The highlight of First Grade's GPS season was not surprising their away match against Grammar. The hostile Grammar crowd was silenced however by the brilliance produced by the High boys as we took out the first two sets 25-12, 25-11. The third set on the other hand was a close affair. The Grammar boys rallied, producing competitive volleyball that caused various errors on our side of the net. However the team was able to refocus and maintain composure, wrapping up the last set and the match, 25-23.

Congratulations to Alex Le who has been awarded the 'Best and Fairest' player for First Grade Volleyball 2007. This title is awarded to the player that has displayed the most commitment to volleyball throughout the year. Alex Le has been consistent during the entire season, controlling our attack and making 'big plays' when needed. Honourable mentions must also go out to Geoffrey Zhang (Second Grade Best & Fairest), Ritam Mitra (Yr 10 Best & Fairest), Ivan Li (Yr 9 Best & Fairest) and Saif Haque (Yr 8 Best & Fairest). Congratulations also to Ping Du, who has been named Captain of Volleyball for 2008! First Grade Volleyball's success in 2007 allowed multiple members of the team to compete at a regional, state and national level. Alex Le, Terry Ly, Ping Du, Oliver Konakoff and Victor

Nguyen were chosen to represent Sydney East at the Regional CHS Championships. At the conclusion of this tournament Oliver Konakoff and Victor Nguyen were selected in the NSWCHS Combined Volleyball Team with Alex Le and Terry Ly chosen in the Shadow Team. This team competed at the Trans-Tasman Volleyball Tournament and finished third with Oliver Konakoff selected to represent Australia in the match against New Zealand. The above individual representative accomplishments are a testimony to Sydney High Volleyball's supremacy in 2007. Congratulations to the above players for their individual feats!

Volleyball's success in 2007 may be accredited to the remarkable Sydney High Volleyball program that has been put in place. All those involved must be acknowledged. They include Dr Ganderton, Ms Howland, Ms Trompetter; old boys Yaegan Doran, Karl Kruszelnicki, Assistant First Grade Coach Junyang Sim as well as MIC of Volleyball and Head Coach of First Grade, Mr Kay. These individuals have worked hard throughout the year,



making countless sacrifices that allow Sydney High Volleyball to thrive. Thank You!

As you can see, 2007 has truly been an astonishing year, arguably the most successful volleyball season to ever occur at Sydney High, one I will never forget.

Victor Nguyen, Captain.



**Second Grade Volleyball**

**Back Row:** Z.Ke, D.Shan, G.Zhang, S.Wan.

**Front Row:** A.Ng, S.Zhang, D.Chim (Captain), T.Nguyen, N.Abeysuriya.





**Year 9 Volleyball**

*I.Li, P.Lai, M.Li, J.Poon, H.Huang.*



**Year 8 Volleyball**

**Back Row:** *A.Jain, J.Jim, D.Nguyen, A.Gaffney, S.Cao, A.Auzou, R.Siddiquee.*

**Second Row:** *J.Chen, T.Luo, N.Leong, S.Kinger, K.Cheng, A.Shen, H.Sit, S.Salagame, H.Subasinghe.*

**Front Row:** *M.Wong, L.Cai, B.Do, T.Diep, G.Li, J.Mok, K.Ho.*

# List of Officers

	Headmaster	Captain	President OBU	President P&C
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 to the reduced enrolment in the School and a subsequent lack of former pupils to take up Union positions. The OBU was reformed on 11 August , 1902 under A.M. Eedy.	
		J.P.V. Madsen		
1897	J. Waterhouse	F.A. Todd		
1898	J. Waterhouse	O.U. Vonwiller		
1899	J. Waterhouse	O.A.A. Diethelm		
		C. St. L. Willis		
1900	J. Waterhouse	C.E. Weatherburn		
		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	

*List of Officers*

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. Thornett	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.Eyers	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
2006	K.A.Jaggar	A.Farrow-Palmer	M.Livingston	S.Brown
2007	K.A.Jaggar	M.Farhat	J.Waugh	S.Chan

[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 2007**

**Back Row:** C.Kwan, M.Ngai, K-Y.Wong, S.Renzenbrink, M.Jones, T.Hang, C.Stack, K.Dutta, V.Reiyder, J.Yang, W.Ho, A.Ng.

**Seventh Row:** T.Iyer, K.Xu, K.Leung, J.Ng, A.Lau, J.Do, J.Yao, J.Kim, B.Wilcox, E.Naoumov, N.Rahman, S.Marques, J.Yang, W.Yang, N.Tang, T.Ling, W.Baxter, H-T.Lin, M.Lam, K.Chu, Y.Wu, B.Hillier.

**Sixth Row:** F.Li, D.Fong, M.Chin, F.Wu, W.Lin, C.Wan, C.Oei, M.Delaney, E.Ng, T.Montanaro, C.Luiker, T.Zhang, M.Song, S.Ahmed, J-H.Park, R.Manahan, J.Phau, A.Wu, L.Zhou, S.Feng, M.Zhu, N.Han, J.Ho.

**Fifth Row:** W.Zhou, R.Lin, E.Li, M.Paradeza, A.Moon, B.Lee, M.Pan, K.Krahe, J.Adhika, J.Yu, A.Fong, S.Pak, H.Yu, T.Mok, J.Dong, T.Chen, G.Liu, A.Purcal, A.Li, B.Jeyarasa, N.Ma, A.Brokman, J.Edgtton.

**Fourth Row:** H.Liu, J.Zou, L.Fang, B.Chau, J.Nguyen, D.Ng, E.Hoque, L.Fang, A.Weinstock, S.Quazi, S.Do, N.Ly, T.Funston, S.Dias, D.Guptaa, A.Saksena, A.Soo, A.Phan, K.Ke, K.Lau, B.Lau, G.Sutton.

**Third Row:** L.Zhang, B.Daniels, J.Lo, H.Heo, D.Truong, L.Nguyen, P.Zhou, R.Lee, P.Wu, T.Lau, A.Chan, A.Paul, R.Useelanthan, P.Krakovsky, G.Minithantri, M.Chan, Y.Han, D.Zeng, M.Birch, J.Zhou, T.Connolly, V.Ye, B.Yun.

**Second Row:** F.Meng, A.Ceh, D.Foo, W.Yuan, D.Liang, H.Chen, W.Yeung, A.Fu, A.Hughes, S.Fletcher, T.Chin, M.Yiu, M.Chien, E.Mehmedbasic, J.Koukouras, V.Chen, A.Vu, S.Saleh, D.Wang, C.Chiam, H.Wei, E.Lieu, A.Ayalasomayajula, J.Tsai.

**Front Row:** M.Nguyen, S.Prusty, S.Prakash, V.Shah, C.Zhang, A.Dutta, M.Lee, J.Liang, J.Fayez, L.Katupitiya, J.Vuong, L.de la Cour, B.Laird, J.Jiang, C.Ye, Z.Mohamed Rizvi, R.Hua, R.Sternhell, A.Khan, K.Zhang, M.Pham, K.Visvaa, D.Sabharwal.





**Year 12 2007**

**Back Row:** D.Blaxell, T.Hurrell, P.Gallego, D.Norris, J.Wilson, T.Castleton, T.Linegar, O.Konakoff, M.Kelly, A.Vulkanovski, M.Ni, K.Kim, S.Sankaran, T.Ly, A.Pham, W.Zhuang, J.Phu.

**Seventh Row:** L.Wu, K.Taneja, A.Tan, S.Song, C.Sui, J.Mackay, S.Maheswaran, R.Tran, M.Coutts, W.Shen, B.Liu, M.Chen, M.Prior, G.Zhang, G.Wang, S.Sathiakumar, E.Wu, A.Surendran, R.Zaman, A.Ashokkumar, S.Jeyaraman, E.Yao, J.Visser, W.Lu, J.Hsiao.

**Sixth Row:** F.Jin, A.Le, P.Chen, R.Miao, S.Jia, E.Lui, S.Chen, J.Chiu, D.Wong, M.Shen, A.Liu, J.Pangilinan, D.Hu, J.Lai, K.Chen, J.Freiman, J.Wang, V.Nguyen, A.Wang, M.Wang, M.Keldoulis, Z.Lu, R.Yang, A.Wan, K.Lee, S.Zhang.

**Fifth Row:** B.Wai, R.Leach, N.Gumbert, Z.Li, S.Wang, R.Nguyen, R.Roca, P.Tang, D.Tran, C.Wong, M.Liang, M.Vu, S.Lou, W.Zhang, A.Huang, A.Chui, D.Kumagaya, M.Ng, J.Zhu, W.Tran, K.Wong, E.Blackshield, O.Perera, D.Gunaratne, R.Su, W.Wang.(? Wayne?).

**Fourth Row:** T.Jin, T.Rahman, S.Azad, R.Jang, G.Singh, S.Hussain, D.Chen, M.Ba, A.Jawahir, A.Husaini, K.Yu, E.Stadnik, J.Luscombe, J.Weight, A.Shuttleworth, H.Walker, G.Karunaratne, R.Karunaratne, L.Yang, S.Yuen, J.Kok, A.Park, O.Koudashev, I.Wang, M.Wang, J.Tao, A.Leung.

**Third Row:** R.Pandit, E.Deng, B.Sun, N.Levanic, O.Han, X.Liu, P.Heo, S.Wang, W.Wong, W.Wu, A.Klocker, N.Sridharan, T.Iskander, A.Iskander, P.Malek, R.Churian, N.Tran, J.Na, D.Kim, E.Lui, I.Tran, R.Somanchi, R.Gokarn, R.Devapiriam, Y.Lin, V.Tsitalovski, A.Pham.

**Second Row:** S.Wason, J.Au, Y.Guo, D.Wong, J.Pham, L.Deacon, K.Lam, R.Luo, M.Kim, P.Huynh, O.Faruqi, C.Palana, P.Lee, H.Lee, A.Wang, R.Yeung, J.Tran, K.Tran, A.Ng, S.Yuan, L.Wong, T.Nguyen, J.Park, J.Xie, A.Naik, A.Lee, R.Xu, S.Al-Ameen.

**Front Row:** D.Dizon, A.Alaganar, D.Isaaks, G.Panicker, K.Lee, C.Lee, H.Ye, L.Cheng, T.Xia, A.Tse, A.Arafat, M.Fetherston (Vice Captain), M.Farhat (Captain), Mr P.E.Coan (Year Adviser), A.Vertoudakis (Senior Prefect), M.King, J.Luu, A.Sin, M.Sin, T.Mak, J.Leung, A.Keswani, J.Kim, S.Cui, R.Baskaran, R.George, G.So.