

The Weekly Newsletter of Sydney Boys High School

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# From the Principal



we return to commence our HSC examinations, I want to wish all of Year 12 the

best of luck in the coming month of intense and stressful effort. In welcoming back staff and students from all academic years, I trust YEAR 12 STUDENTS!



that you recharged your batteries during the Term 3 break and are ready to take on the various challenges ahead. We are entering a new phase in our response to the pandemic, commencing next Monday. As mandatory selfisolation for positive COVID cases is phased out, we will rely on the common sense and good judgement of students and parents to decide not to come to school if a student is unwell, due to COVID or any other illness. The Department of Education's Student Behaviour Policy and Procedures is to be implemented from the first day of Term 4. There will be some procedural changes and we will be developing a School Behaviour Support and Management Plan to align our practice with the goals of the Student Behaviour Strategy.

# Staff Changes

Sarah Kim is filling in for John Prorellis as Head Teacher Administration for two weeks and Hannah Jackson is relieving HT Sport for two weeks while Steve Marcos is on leave.

# **High Talent**

At the recent NSW All-Schools Track and Field



Championships, Max Russell (11T) earned a silver medal for the 3000m 17 years (8.47.93). He won gold in the 17 years 2000m steeplechase with a time of 6.08.35. Congratulations, Max! Joseph Britton (10S) was selected into the Public Schools State

Drama Ensemble - Well done, Joseph!

# **Foundation Day Assembly**



Old Boys, parents and students celebrated the School's Foundation on October 1, 1883, at our traditional assembly on Tuesday. Our Prefect Interns took the Prefect's Pledge, committing themselves to the service of the school. Rob Middleton spoke on behalf of Old Boys about leadership in a new context of international interconnectivity when facing global challenges. My address is reprinted below:

Special guest Rob Middleton, School Captain of 1972, Mr Geoff Denyer, Deputy Principal Sydney Girls High School, Mr Alex Feldman Chair of Sydney High School Foundation Ltd, Mr Dennis Briggs OBU Delegate and Life Governor, Life Governors Mr Phil Lambert and Dr George Lewkovitz, Professor Minas Coroneo AO, Order of Australia recipients, Former High Student Leaders, Sydney Girls High School Student Leaders, staff and students, welcome to our 139th Foundation Day Assembly held on Gadigal land. We are here to connect with our cultural values. honour those who helped build them and endorse the candidature of the Prefect Interns who will renew them. This year we welcome back Old Boys who graduated 50 years ago or more and try to connect to their context in relation to ours. Much has changed but more has endured.

In 1972, as in 2022, there were momentous events. As the war in Vietnam dragged on, Richard Nixon

took а diplomatic initiative of historical importance with his eight-day visit China. He and Leonid Brezhnev signed the SALT 1 in Moscow,



effectively limiting the proliferation of nuclear missiles. Apollo 17 landed and Gene Cernan became the 11th and last man to walk on the Moon. Australian of the Year, Shane Gould won three gold medals at the Munich Olympics, which were tragically tarnished by the deaths of 11 Israeli athletes and officials at the hands of Black September Terrorists. The Aboriginal Tent Embassy was set up on the lawns of old Parliament House and is still there, awaiting recognition for the voices of First Nations people in government. Gough Whitlam became the first Labor Prime Minister since the defeat

of Ben Chifley in 1949. Notorious No. 96 made its debut on television. The HP 35 scientific calculator was launched. Then, like now, there were troubling international wars, acts of terror, sporting highlights, leadership changes, great technical innovation and expanding popular culture.

At High that year, Principal Murray Callaghan discussed the weakening of the trinity of influence on young men (home, church, school) and lamented the rise of competing influences coming from 'communication media' and the cynical behaviour of adults. The influence of social media has grown geometrically since then. There is a lessening of respect among youth for adults and their institutions due to exposures of corrupt and immoral behaviour among their leadership. Callaghan reaffirmed the School's core purpose of striving for excellence in the face of change and challenge. We remain committed to that purpose today.

Jack Lang was invited to the School and spoke to the combined 4<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> forms from both schools. An iconic figure from the Labor Left, he spoke of his hard childhood as going 'through the

fire' which forged his political goals of providing for 'the betterment of the poor and the uplifting of the underdog'. He impressed his young audience. The McDonald Wing was opened on March 17, 1972 by the Governor, Sir Roden Cutler. He and the then NSW Opposition Leader Pat Hills addressed the School.



In cricket that year, our guest today Con Pavlidis, represented in the first XI while Rob Middleton captained the second XI as a bowling all-rounder with a useful contribution of 10 wickets at 15.3. High rowed into 4th place at the Head of the River, having led for much of the race. The first XV were co-premiers in GPS rugby. Inspired by Jim Demetriou, they beat Joeys at Hunters Hill for the first time in the history of the School. The 1972 cohort had their triumphs and disappointments just as our boys have this year in various sports and activities. Their leadership called for more commitment from boys to participate in and enjoy what the school had to offer. He averred that 'a school is only as good as the present members make it'. Today, our leaders make similar pleas to our boys not to miss out on very valuable opportunities to learn, train, share and strive with their schoolmates in common causes. It is so characteristic for our Old Boy visitors to reminisce fondly about shared experiences that shaped their lives while attending High.

In 1972, Rob Middleton was School Captain, Robert Parr, Vice-Captain and Peter Carlisle, Senior Prefect. They were the

custodians of their day of the leadership values and examples of generations of High students. Today, we bear witness to a new cohort of student leaders as they take the Prefect's Pledge. These Prefect Interns have had to qualify against performance benchmarks

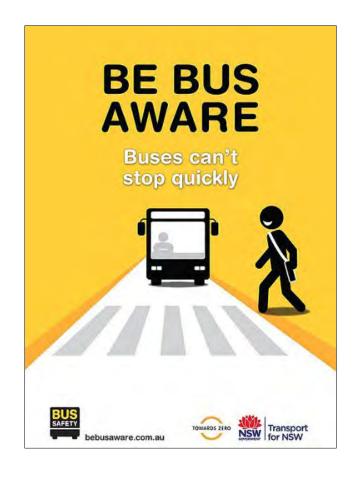


in their journey through High thus far. They have had to show lived experience of leadership. They have had to meet

academic prerequisites. They have had to represent their school in two GPS sports in their final two years of school. They have had to reach at least platinum level in the Student Awards Scheme and need to score at least 100 points in each of Years 11 and 12. They have had to comply with standards in terms of school uniform, behaviour and punctuality. They have had an opportunity to compose an online personal statement of why they would like to lead. They have faced an electoral college consisting of their peers in Years 10 and 11, the outgoing Prefects and the staff. They have been elected by their school community. They have had leadership training and been assigned specific roles. These representatives are ready for the tasks ahead.

Today, we celebrate our founding as a school to prepare young men for tertiary study and as an institution that enlarges character through opportunities to pursue excellence. It has influenced character development through its culture of camaraderie. The young men being inducted are worthy bearers of the High traditions of leadership by example, across areas of school life. I offer my congratulations to them and remind them to preserve the best examples from the past while adding their own initiatives to the enhance the leadership culture of the School.

Dr K A Jaggar Principal





#### From the Canteen Managers

Every day our canteen staff, parent volunteers and students work in the canteen to provide a range of freshly prepared meals and snacks. Their efforts also raise considerable funds that go towards improving the facilities at the school. We ask students to be mindful of their behaviour when visiting the canteen – please be patient while waiting in the queue to be served and treat the canteen workers with the courtesy and respect they deserve.



#### **Appreciation**

Thank you to the following parents for volunteering in the canteen during the final week of Term 3 and the beginning of Term 4.

23 September - Clara Qiao, Judy Zhu, Grace Guan, Nicole Ma

10 October - Jessica Tam, Grace Guan, Kerrie Lane

11 October - Cynthia Leung, Kannas Pang

12 October - Na Li, Suiying Lin



Please consider joining our team of volunteers. We are highly flexible and will gratefully accept any time you can donate to the canteen and the students. If you have time to spare on a regular or ad hoc basis, please get in touch

with us by any of the following means:

- fill out the Canteen Volunteer Registration form
- send an email to canteen@sbhs.nsw.edu.au
- call us on 9662-9350

It is an excellent opportunity to meet other parents, share stories and learn from each other. No prior experience is required as we will provide full training.

The Canteen Committee





#### **Term 4 Music Performance Program**

Welcome Back! Hope everyone has had a restful break!

All music ensembles and private instrumental lessons will commence from Week 1 this term (i.e. from Monday 10 October) unless advised otherwise.

#### Please note:

- \* No Guitar Ensemble Week 1. Rehearsals will resume from Monday 17 October.
- \* Marching Band will not commence in Week 1 in Term 4. Further details will be provided soon.

2022 End of Year Music Concert – SAVE THE DATE! Our End of Year Music Concert will be held:

- \* Sunday 4 December, 1.30pm, Great Hall
- \* All music ensembles will be performing
- \* Students are required to perform in school uniform (white shirt, blazar not required).
- \* Mandatory attendance is required for all students in music ensemble(s).

#### Semester 2 Music Co-Payment

Thank you to parents and/or guardians who have already completed and submitted the Semester 2 Music Co-Payment.

We have several outstanding payments – we kindly ask parents and/or guardians to check and pay through the Parent Online Payment Portal and/or visit

#### https://pay.sbhs.net.au/

#### Music Storage Room

The Music Storage Room has re-opened for students to leave their music instrument(s) only.

Please ensure instrument(s) are placed in correct bay(s) and not left on main walkway/pathway inside the music storage room.

Non-music related items will be removed immediately. Please ensure students have a clear name tag on their personal music instrument(s).

Students and parents are reminded that SBHS does not provide instrument insurance or cover. The Music Department will not take responsibility for loss or damage whether on or off the school property.

#### **IMPORTANT - Covid Requirements**

- \* Students who do not feel well should NOT be at school and therefore should not be attending ensemble rehearsals and/or private instrumental lessons.
- \*Students will need to bring their own instrument(s)/equipment/accessories (e.g. guitar picks/drum sticks/guitar leads etc.) items will NOT be loaned and/or supplied by the Music Department.

#### Parent/Guardian/Student Communication

<u>Parents and Guardians</u>: Please download **SZapp** from the Apple App Store or Google Play and subscribe to 'MUSIC.' Installation guide can be found in the school's High Notes.

<u>Students</u> will be notified of any music news and notifications via the Music Performance Program CANVAS page, school's daily notices and High Notes. Students are responsible to read and keep updated of any Music Performance Program related events/material on a regular basis.



### 2022 Music Ensemble Schedule

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
(Before School)	(Before School)	(Before School)	(Before School)	(Before School)
Intermediate Concert	Senior Concert Band	Junior Stage Band	Intermediate Stage	Senior Strings
Band	& Symphony	7.45am – 8.45am	Band	Ensemble
7.45am – 8.45am	Orchestra	Room 101	7.45am – 8.45am	7.45am – 8.45am
Governors Centre	7.45am – 8.45am		Room 101	Room 101
	Governors Centre			
Guitar Ensemble		Senior Stage Band	Philharmonic	Chamber Choir
7.45am – 8.45am		7.45am – 8.45am	Orchestra	8.00am – 9.00am
Room 201		Room 201	7.45am – 8.45am	Room 201
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			Junior Strings	Marching Band
			Ensemble	8.00am – 9.00am
			7.45am – 8.45am	MPW/ Room 102
			Room 203	Terms 1 & 4 only
(After School)	(Before School)	(Before School)	Terms 1 & 2 only (Before School)	(Before School)
Guitar Ensemble	Percussion	(Delote School)	(Delote School)	Jazz Ensemble
3.20m – 4.20pm	Ensemble			3.30pm – 4.30pm
Room 201	3.45pm – 4.45pm			Room 201
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	Marching Band			
	3.30pm – 4.30pm			
	Great Hall/ Room			
	102			
	Terms 1 & 4 only			

# 2022 Term 4 Music Events Calendar

WEEK	DATE	EVENT	MUSIC STUDENTS INVOLVED
Week 1A	Tuesday 11 October	Foundation Day Assembly /Prefect Induction, 9.45am Great Hall	Julius Pang (11T) Ivan Zhai (11T)
Week 8B	Sunday 4 December	End of Year Concert, 1.30pm Great Hall	All students in music ensemble program
Week 9C	Tuesday 6 December	Annual Music Assembly, 9.45am, Great Hall	TBC Musicians

Music Events are continually added and/or are subject to change

#### 2023 Term 1 Music Events Calendar

WEEK	DATE/TIME	EVENT	MUSIC STUDENTS INVOLVED
1	Friday 3 February, 10.05am	Welcome Year 7 & Summer Sports Assembly, Great Hall	TBC Elective Piano Students
2	From Monday 6 February	ALL private instrumental lessons and music ensembles resume rehearsals	Music Performance Program
2	Thursday 9 February, 6.30pm	Music Recruitment Night, ZOOM	Year 12 Music Prefects
3	Tuesday 14 February, 9.45am	Years 10, 11 & 12 Awards Assembly, Great Hall	TBC Elective Piano Students
3	Tuesday 14 February, 7pm	Presentation Night, Governors Centre	Senior Strings TBC Elective Piano Students
3	Wednesday 15 February, 9.45am	Years 7, 8 & 9 Awards Assembly, Great Hall	TBC Elective Piano Students

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#### National Chinese Eisteddfod 2022

Despite COVID disruptions throughout 2020-2021, 2022



has unquestionably been one of the most successful and memorable years on record for participants of the **National Chinese Eisteddfod**. Under Ms Zhang's expert guidance,

we have been able to seek success and achieve outstanding results in the annual poem recital competition, which comprises of both individual and group sections.

On the 24<sup>th</sup> of September 2022, 25 students from Years 7 to 10 participated in the annual National Chinese Eisteddfod, which was held at the Faculty of Arts, in

Macquarie University. Everyone arrived at the venue nice and early, to rehearse their poems one final time before the competition began. It was, to say the least, quite a nerve-wracking and suspenseful atmosphere, as we were competing



against some of the best students in the State, who were all experienced Chinese speakers. Nevertheless, we still achieved outstanding results, particularly from the individual competitors. Each High contestant was able to reach their full potential within this program and have undoubtedly connected more with the Chinese culture by exposing themselves to these classic and timeless poems.

The day began with the individual section from 11:30 to 12:30, with Richie Ye, Raymond Qi, Rocky Wu, Yuhai Wang, Wensen Dong, Diming Wu, and Jeff Tse partaking in an intense competition with 40 other competitors. Everyone performed exceptionally well, and I would like to personally congratulate Yuhai Wang for attaining an outstanding result of 1st prize, as well as Diming Wu and Rocky Wu for achieving a special prize in this event. Not only did these three High boys possess the courage to perform individually in front of a large audience, but they also outperformed the other competitors in this prestigious competition. An impressive achievement!

The Sydney Boys High School group teams also performed exceptionally well this year. We entered three teams into the group event: the SBHS Year 7 Team, SBHS Year 8 Team, and the SBHS Combined Year 9 & Year 10 team. The SBHS Year 7 team consisted of Leo Di, Leo Hang, Ethan Hong, Oscar Jin, Yuhai Wang, and Yangzi Wang, who were all very enthusiastic and excited to be participating in such a prestigious event during their first year at High. The SBHS Year 8 team consisted of Wensen Dong, Kevin Dong, Jamie Jin, Eric Liu, Aolin

Tang, Leo Wang, Diming Wu, Rocky Wu, and Timothy Wang. The SBHS Y9/10 team consisted of Shanghe Dong, Raymond Qi, Daniel Su, Jeff Tse, Will Sun, Martin Zhu, Yufeng Xiao, Richie Ye, Oscar Zhang, and Maurice Wong. They performed one of the most recognised



classic Chinese war poems in the world: Man Jiang Hong (Yue Fei), which depicted the anger and violence of warfare. Our vehement expression and ardent recital of this work helped us to attain an excellent 2<sup>nd</sup> prize – one of the major highlights of this event.

Just as we thought that this competition would come to a close, Jeff Tse, Zhenyu Wang, their parents, as well as Ms Zhang herself, also all had the amazing opportunity to be interviewed by SBS Radio regarding their process in

learning Chinese, and how this experience has helped them to progress further on their language-learning journey! This interview will be broadcasted nationally.



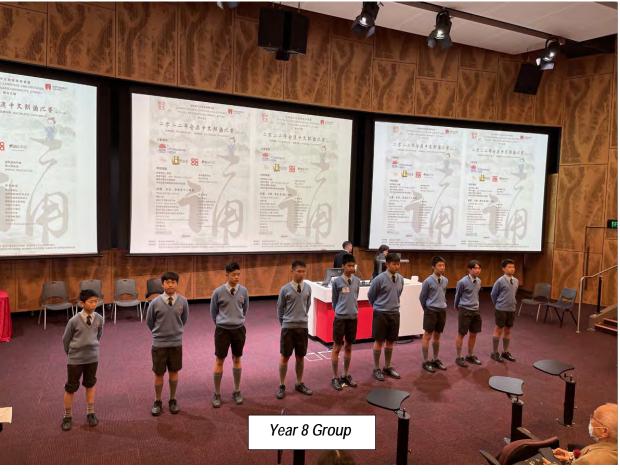
Finally, to all the boys who are considering doing Chinese as an elective subject next year, I would strongly encourage you to contact Ms Zhang in participating in this prestigious competition (5 award scheme points also apply). Trust me when I say this, but it is not often that you get such an opportunity to perform at a Chinese Poem Recital competition, so don't miss out! You will also be able to develop your language skills immensely and be more culturally diverse — undeniably a significant advantage in the rapidly growing and multicultural society in which we live in today.

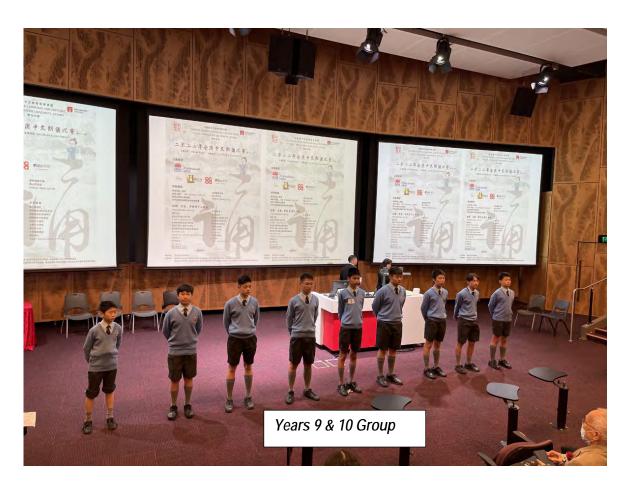


I would like to say a huge thank you to Ms Zhang, who has kindly organised weekly lunchtime rehearsals to ensure that each and every one of us is able to reach our full potential through the program. Once again, I'd like to thank all participating students for their commitment and dedication to this program, and congratulations to all the prize-winners! It has been a wonderful year, and I hope that next year will bring us more fun while being able to introduce new students to this rewarding program!

Daniel Su 10E









Years 9 & 10 Winning 2<sup>nd</sup> Place



### **Holiday Rowing Report**

The season unofficially began at the sheds in a very busy second week of the holidays. The Outterside Centre was filled with dozens of rowers getting on and off the water. Senior rowers began their week by testing their strength and endurance on the newly arrived gym equipment. They then underwent a tough four-day stretch of volume, covering more than sixty kilometres on both land and water and refamiliarizing themselves with scull technique. Junior rowers began their preparation for their first races this term. This holiday served as a jump-start on the boys' training momentum ahead of the Grammar Regatta only three weeks away.

Zhangbo Wang Captain of the Boats





Season Schedule:

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/18DinR3sXfasR1wqheJvoxym4x6hqEtyEQSGt\_1P9QVQ/edit?usp=sharing

Individual training schedule

Available through the student/parent portal: <a href="https://portal.clipboard.app/sbhs/">https://portal.clipboard.app/sbhs/</a>

George Barris
MIC Rowing



The 2022/23 season is now ready to be kicked off with all Junior and Open games starting on 15 October 2022.

#### Season dates: -

Trial Game - 15th October 22 1st Game 22- 22nd October 22 Last game 22 - 3 December 22 First game 23 - 4 February 23 Last game 23 - 18 March 23

All games will be one day games which are 32 overs each for Junior A grade teams, 20 overs each for B grade teams and the  $4^{th}$  XI and 50 overs each for  $1^{st}$  and  $2^{nd}$  XI.

#### Teams this year are: -

Year 7 - U14s - 2 teams - A&B Year 8 - U15s - 3 teams - A/B/C Year 9 - U16s - 1 team - A 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> XI 2nd XI 1st XI

On top of the regular season the school is taking teams interstate as follows:-

#### Barberis Cup: - Junior teams

Teams - Year 8 and 9

Dates - 27 to 30 of November 2022

<u>Location</u> - Melbourne

## Five High Tournament: - Junior teams

Teams - First XI - a squad of 13 players

Dates – 5 to 9 December 2022

Location - Perth

- 1. All teams have coaches appointed now for both weekdays and weekends.
- 2. Training will be on for three days per week. All boys will be notified of trainings each week.
- 3. 1st and 2nd XI will play their home games at Mackay oval (Centennial Park)
- Junior teams will be scheduled either in morning (9am 1.00pm) or afternoon (1.30pm 5.30pm) based on the schools we play.
- 5. Lunches for the 1<sup>st</sup> /2<sup>nd</sup> XI are back on. This year we move back to sit down lunches.
- 6. School has invested in a training program for coaches to learn new skills and bring through their trainings through Australian Cricket Institute.

I hope you are all excited for another year of cricket at High. Let's have fun, be competitive and have a successful season.

Mr David Smith MIC Cricket

### 1st XI Report

The High first eleven were set to play 3 trial games over the holiday break, with the first game scheduled against a strong Cranbrook side, who won the CAS Competition for the last three years. We lost the toss and were put into bowl, in the 40 over clash. Success was immediate with Udey taking 2 wickets in the first 10 overs. From there we stayed on the front foot, where the bowlers put pressure on the Cranbrook middle order, taking us to a strong position at the halfway mark with Cranbrook 4-60. After drinks our spinners took advantage of our already strong position taking 3 wickets between them. A rough few overs saw us lose energy in the field, allowing Cranbrook to get away from us, however Kavin and Ramin were brought on and guickly cleaned up the tail, bowling Cranbrook out for 149 runs. Our batting innings started off well, with Sumanth and Pranav playing out the opening bowlers well, however a good bowling spell saw us at 3/37 in the 18th over. From here Aayush and I had an aggressive 40 run partnership, which put us back into a good winning position from there. In the end, the game became very close with us needing a run a ball, however a solid 21 from Ramin saw us to the finish line with 1 wicket to spare in a nail-biting finish. A good win to start off the campaign on a high. Unfortunately, the following two trial games in the holidays against Newington College and St Aloysius respectively were cancelled due to wet weather.

Raunak Roy 1st XI Captain

Sumanth Bodidi Cricket Prefect - 2022/2023





# National Art School

# Future Makers: School Holiday Programs 2022

The NAS Future Makers is for ages 6-16. Structured art workshops on-campus and online in school holiday periods across the year.

Mini Makers 6-8 years Art Adventurers 9-12 years Young Creatives 13-16 years

Winter School Holiday Workshops

4 - 15 July

Spring School Holiday Workshops

26 September - 7 October

# **Art Club:**

After School Weekdays and Saturdays

15-17 years

Term 3

18 July - 10 September

Term 4

11 October - 3 December



National Art School is a registered activity provider for the Creative Kids Program.

Parents, guardians and carers can apply for a voucher with a value of up to \$100 per calendar year for each student aged 4.5 to 18 years old enrolled in school.





Scan the QR code or head to nas.edu.au to book.





# 2022 schedule

eSafety's free webinars provide parents and carers with the knowledge, skills and tools to support children to have safe, positive online experiences.

Our live webinars for parents and carers attracted record attendance numbers in 2021. To meet the growing demand, our education and training team is expanding the program in 2022 to include more dates and topics to support school communities.

Each month, we will present either a new webinar topic or a video with simple tips to keep young people safe online.

## 2022 Parent and carer education topic schedule

January Can't make it to a webinar? You can watch this short video on Cyberbullying and online drama. (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 11 to 18 years old).	February Webinar: Helping kids thrive online (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 5 to 12 years old).  8th February – Safer Internet Day 2022 #SID22	March Webinar: Cyberbullying and online drama (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 11 to 18 years old).
April Can't make it to a webinar? You can watch this short video on Online sexual harassment and image-based abuse. (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 13 to 18 years old).	May Webinar: Parental controls (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 4 to 13 years old).	June Webinar: Online gaming (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 13 to 18 years old).
July Can't make it to a webinar? You can watch this short video on Parental controls.	August Webinar: Popular apps (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 8 to 13 years old).	September Webinar: Online sexual harassment and image-based abuse (Suitable for parents and carers of young
(Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 4 to 13 years old).		people aged 13 to 18 years old).  National Child Protection Week #NCPW22

Subscribe to eSafetyNews for dates and registration details or visit esafety.gov.au/parents/webinars.



# SYDNEY BOYS HIGH SCHOOL

The Phillip Day Memorial Scholarship Closing Date: **30 November 2022** 

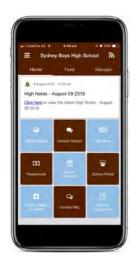


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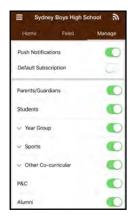






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