

The Weekly Newsletter of Sydney Boys High School

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From the Principal



Term 1 Ends

Thank you to everybody for a very productive Term 1. Many things have been achieved. We have finalised our Annual School Report and much-revised revised Strategic Improvement Plan (SIP). Our staff teams have made progress in addressing the elements in our SIP – focussing on school growth measures and embedding differentiated units of work into our Stage 4 programs. We are also adding literacy and numeracy progression activities in our Stage 4 programs. We are interacting on a schoolwide basis to improve wellbeing for students and staff with respectful relationship building and wellbeing activities, including goal setting. We are working hard on our reading and writing to lift our standard across the school. We hope we are achieving a balance between challenge and support – for students and staff.

High Talent

Congratulations to our 11 swimmers who were



selected in the Combined GPS Swimming Team – Ryan Chai (8S), Jiazi Chen (9T), Joshua Chen

(7E), John Hong (10F), Kester Jan (8S), David Kim (11E), Jinu Shin (10S), Brendan Tan (9S), Jaden Yi (12T), Oliver Yin (9T), and Jason Yu (10S). Great to see all Years with swimming representative selection. Well done to our fencers in the Roberta Nutt Individual Fencing competition - U13 sabre - silver Aaron Li (8S);



Epee - bronze William Huang (7F); U15 Epee silver Xavier Perry (10M), Hudson Cai (9M) & Daniel Zhu (8R) equal bronze;

U15 sabre – Akith Pereira (10E) bronze.

Ban on students shopping at Woolworths Central

Despite repeated instructions to the contrary, multiple students have been caught entering Woolworths at Central. Students and parents are advised that Woolworths management will be sending us security footage of any student entering the premises and once we identify

them, they will face strong negative consequences – not because they entered the store, but because they were instructed by the Principal not to do so, constituting an act of defiance. Before I can try to negotiate a lift of the ban on High students entering the store, I will need to demonstrate that High students have complied with the exclusion from the premises...it's up to you.



Anzac Day Assembly

We held our Anzac Day Assembly on Wednesday, April 5. My address to the assembly is reprinted below:

Distinguished guests Colonel Andrew White – NSW Austral AC Brigade Commander AAC, Lt-Colonel Andrew Bernie – CO UNSW Regiment, Tim McGregor RAN Rtd representing Petersham RSL, Mr Warren Crotty representing Maroubra RSL, Old Boys – Commander Andrew Dale RFD RANR, Mr Darren Howard representing SHSOBU and Mr John Frith - welcome to our Anzac Day Assembly.

Our education system has always deemed it important to hold an Anzac Day Assembly, even if the last day of term one is our only opportunity before Anzac Day on April 25th. On this occasion, I like to draw the attention of the School to some of the current theatres in which our service personnel are engaged. Operation Accordion in the Middle East has reduced to 70 due to our withdrawal from Iraq and Afghanistan. They provide communications and surveillance functions in support of our personnel. Operation Mazurka is the ADF's contribution to the Multinational Force and Observers in Sinai, Egypt. There are 27 personnel there. Recently, 70 ADF training personnel deployed to the UK to take part in Operation INTERFLEX to train Ukrainian citizen soldiers. The ADFs biggest commitment is to Operation Resolute (600 personnel), to protect Australia's borders and economic interests within our

economic Exclusion zone, covering 10% of the world's surface. They assist also in regional support for countries in the Pacific impacted by extreme weather events, such as Vanuatu, where HMAS Canberra was deployed on March 5 with 600 personnel. On Anzac Day we extend our thanks and appreciation to service personnel deployed overseas or at sea, away from their families, who help keep Australia safe by assisting with regional and international peacekeeping efforts. Anzac Day is a time for us to remember those who served across the generations and in the many theatres of conflict. We acknowledge them and thank them for their service as we honour those who made the supreme sacrifice for their country. As citizens we hope never to have to serve as they did, in defence of their country or to support the idea of freedom as expressed in democratic government, with its values of an independent judiciary, respect for the rule of law and freedom of speech. We pay our respects to them and to our dwindling number of veterans, some of whom sent their apologies as being too old or frail to attend our assembly today.

The Russian army invaded Ukraine on February 24, 2022. The heroic Ukrainian resistance and their capacity for resilience and self-sacrifice have resulted in a grinding war of attrition a year later. The Russian propaganda has turned the conflict into a war of survival against the corrupt and domineering NATO alliance and neo-Nazi Ukrainians with no appropriate family values. The characterisation of the conflict as a proxy war with the West has escalated the scale and the human catastrophe of the war. The threat of possible deployment of nuclear weaponry by Russia suggests Russia may retaliate if sophisticated tanks and fighter jets are sent to the war zone on Ukraine's behalf and deployed against Russian forces.

As both sides are claiming the conflict as an existential war, a negotiated solution seems inevitable as the NATO members count the cost of their long term support for Ukraine, and Russia draws down deeply on its vast foreign currency reserves from oil and gas sales amidst growing international isolation. Perhaps the Russian separatist areas of the Donbas, where there has been an ongoing insurrection since 2014, might eventually be the price for peace, with NATO or EU membership as a sweetener for Ukraine. As we meet, no proposals for a negotiated settlement have been discussed by emissaries from the warring parties.

Australia has supplied military assistance of \$475 million so far, principally in the supply of 90 Bushmaster all-terrain vehicles. Taking a stand has international consequences. The sharply increased frequency, intensity and sophistication of cyberattacks on our institutions can be sheeted home in part to our international position on Ukraine. We see this as yet another test for democracies around the world. Do we believe in democracy enough to defend our values everywhere? Will we be prepared to pay the price?

On Anzac Day, we take time out to understand more about our military history and to honour those who died for our country in all wars. We pay our respects to those who died fighting for us and never returned to their families. Their families too, were forever changed by war. We think of them today. We thank our

marching band who will represent us at the Anzac March and also our cadets who will serve at memorials or in catafalque parties. Please pay your part on our National Day of Remembrance by attending a service, watching the march, going to your local memorial to see who served and died in your suburb or just by reading or viewing material about the ANZAC tradition. 'Lest we forget'.

Sentence Conscious Pedagogy: Sentences

A sentence consists of a word or group of words that



includes a subject and a predicate and that expresses a complete thought. It usually consists of a noun or pronoun and a verb. **Simple sentences** contain a single idea. Eg *The bells rang.* Single word sentences are possible. *Fire! Sit*

down! These are sentences because they have a subject (everyone who can hear the command). So, technically they have a subject and a verb. Compound / coordinate sentences, contain two or more coordinate clauses. Eg Bill went to history and Ming set off for chemistry. Complex sentences have a principal clause and a subordinate clause. Eg Because he was so late coming to school he ran up Cutler Drive to roll call.

Dr K A Jaggar Principal





The Canteen Committee is responsible for monitoring the operations of the canteen and implementing and reviewing canteen policy. The Committee is also responsible for employing staff, authorising major purchases for the canteen and changes to the menu.

Our newest Canteen Committee members, **Nhan Pham** and **Ruchi Sehgal**, have been busy with handover activities as they set to take on various treasury related tasks.

Everyone is welcome to join the Committee. A number of postions are still available, in particular, the Canteen Volunteer Co-ordinator position. If you would like more information about the canteen committee's work, to join the committee or to visit the canteen to see our exceptional managers and volunteers in action, please email canteen@sbhs.nsw.edu.au.

With the help of parent volunteers, our managers Karen and Eirini also provide high quality food when catering for events held at the school.

Great care and attention goes into delivering freshly made wholesome platters of sushi and sandwiches – which often have to be ready for collection by 08:30.



Lunch Orders

We encourage students to place their lunch orders between 08:30 and 09:00 in person at the Canteen or anytime online via the Flexischools app or at flexischools.com.au.

By ordering lunch, you avoid missing out on your favourite foods, decrease waiting times at recess and lunch as well as help reduce food wastage. Please remember to pick

up your orders. Any uncollected items will be sold, and unfortunately, refunds will not be provided unless there is a valid reason.



Appreciation

Thank you to the following parents for volunteering in the canteen during the past few weeks.

Monday 20 March: Alison Dao, Katherine Brown, Lily Liu,

Lundup Chukey, Monica Tian

Tuesday 21 March: Taslima Chowdhury, Wei Chen Wednesday 22 March: Jiayin Roberts, Qihua Xu, Qing

Thursday 23 March: Amy Xia, Kim Xie, Sophia Xue

Friday 24 March: Clara Qiao, Nicole Ma Monday 27 March: Hui Zhang, Yan Liu

Tuesday 28 March: Connie Xiao, Hong Zhao, Wenhua

Liι

Wednesday 29 March: Alice Wei, Xiaoyan Xu, Zixin

Jiang

Thursday 30 March: Cicong Chen

Friday 31 March: Judy Zhu, Sureka Thiagalingam



We require 3 – 4 volunteers each day to ensure the canteen functions smoothly. 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 <u>Canteen Volunteer Registration</u> form
- send an email to canteen@sbhs.nsw.edu.au
- call us on (02) 9662 9350

Alison Dao

Canteen Committee President



The Philosophy in Schools Association NSW 2023 Essay Competition

Open to students in Years 10,11,12. Closes 1 May (2,000 words). For more information and entry form, please email: eggletoni@sbhs.nsw.edu.au

Stimulus

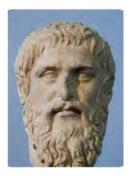
Should there be restrictions on free speech? Consider these two contrasting views:

In favour of unrestricted free speech: Unrestricted free speech is morally and socially beneficial because it promotes individual autonomy, supports democracy and prevents oppression. It's also epistemically beneficial because even in the case of controversial, offensive or false views, it's better for them to be debated openly to allow for evaluation and critique, than for them to be suppressed and potentially pushed underground.

In favour of restrictions: Some kinds of speech are morally and socially harmful (eg hate speech) and/or epistemically harmful (e.g. misinformation). The harms of allowing such discourse outweigh any possible benefits, and restrictions on these forms of speech are justified for the good of individuals and society.

Critically evaluate these views and defend your own view on this topic.

Julie Eggleton Co-ordinator





Meet the Teacher: Mrs Jackson



Describe a little bit about yourself and your role at this school:

Hi my name is Janette Jackson, and I am one of the social science teachers for the subject of Geography, Commerce and Economics. I am also the year advisor for Year 12 classes EFM. I also help to supervise the Christian ISCF group at school which meets on Friday in rooms 608, 607 and 606 to study the bible in small groups.

Describe a little bit about your background in education and how you came to be a Social Sciences teacher at this school.

I went to public schools for primary and high school and have been thankful for the benefits of public education. At the end of high school, I wanted to pursue a career in medical science or pharmaceuticals to impress my family/friends and take on a job that had high salary and high prestige. However, before I did my HSC trials, I decided become а Christian money/status/impressing people weren't high on my priorities anymore. Instead, I became passionate about teaching and helping people. Teaching was a natural fit for that change of heart. After changing my university preferences, a couple of hours before the due date, I made it into my first preference of University of Sydney (a.k.a Australian Hogwarts). Thankfully, the first place that hired me as a teacher was SBHS when I finished my 5 years of university studies in education, modern history, and political economics.

Is there anything you find unique about teaching at SBHS?

I find the students are unique and quirky in their own way. I know that in my own high school it was very hard to be yourself as you had to fit a particular mould or personality if you wanted to be liked or have friends. At SBHS you can be yourself and develop your own personality and most of the students are very encouraging and accommodating.

What is a fun fact about you?

I've never eaten a McDonalds burger in my life (sausage and egg McMuffins doesn't count).

ENRICHMENT ACTIVITIES

March 2023

What is OzClo?

The Australian Computational and Linguistics Olympiad (OzCLO) is a volunteer-run contest about language for secondary school students. The contest challenges students to develop their own strategies in teams of four to solve problems about fascinating real languages.

Team Members: Daniel Su, Tian Xing Yang, Kiran Nayager, Fynn Hopkins.

Modus Operandi: Practise past papers and then practise MORE past papers... for many hours in the weeks leading to the event = SUCCESS.

Round 1 STATE 28 February - Over 650 teams participated in Round 1 across Australia. NSW had the highest participation rate with over 250 teams across 20 schools. The results were collated, and the winning teams notified. The winning teams in NSW were:

Place	Team	Division	School	
1st	ozclo267	Senior	Sydney Boys High School	
2nd	ozclo124	Senior	Sydney Grammar School	
3rd	ozclo686	Senior	Pymble Ladies' College	

These teams will now go forward to Round 2 to compete for a place in the International Linguistics Olympiad to be held in Bansko, Bulgaria 21-29 July 2023.



Boys with their Certificates

Round 2 NATIONALS - 22 March MARCS Institute for Brain, Behaviour & Development ARC Centre of Excellence for the Dynamics of Language Western Sydney University

An early arrival and some last minute preparation was followed by an intense 2 hours, under pressure, problem solving through collaboration.

This was followed by lunch and an opportunity to socialize with competing teams.

We were offered a tour of the laboratories.

Highlight of the tour:

Tian insisted on modelling the bonnet which is attached to electrodes to monitor brain patterns.





"My brain is my favourite part of ME!"

Postscript

Only the 1st and 2nd winning teams can be invited to attend the International Linguistics Olympiad. Unfortunately, that wasn't us. We are not going to Bulgaria. However, we will be preparing for next year in Term 4.

So, for Years 11 and 12, 2024 please consider registering a team! HIGH-ly recommended.

Well done to Daniel, Fynn, Kiran and Tian. Wonderful ambassadors for High, showcasing our values to the wider academic community. They competed with tenacity, humility and bonne homme.

Middle School Ethics Olympiad 23 February

We are waiting for the results but in the meantime our Senior teams are exploring the Case Studies.

Since competing in February, Year 10 students Ioannis Chatzinikolaou, Timothy Zhou, Andrew Pye, Jeff Tse and Arthur Qiu have moved to the Senior Ethics Olympiad Case Studies and are preparing for the Senior event on 4 May.

Julie Eggleton
Co-ordinator





Term 1 (Wrap Up) – Term 2 Music Performance Program

*Students are advised to take their instruments home over the Term 1 break. The Music Storage room will be locked, therefore, no access over the Term 1 holidays. 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 school property. The Music Storage Room will open at the start of Term 2.

*Term 2: All music ensembles and private instrumental lessons will resume from Week 1 in Term 2 i.e. from Wednesday 26 April (unless advised otherwise).

Thank you to parents and guardians for your support this term, thank you to students for their amazing efforts this term! We hope you have a fantastic break. See you in Term 2!

Annual Music Camp

All students in the music ensembles program will be attending a 4-day Music Camp at "Stay KCC" (119 Cliff Drive, Katoomba NSW 2780) from Tuesday 20 June – Friday 23 June 2023. A Music Camp Concert will be held on Friday 23 June, 6.30pm Great Hall.

Mandatory attendance is required by all students in the school's music ensemble program.

More information will be sent out soon.

2023 Semester 1 Music Co-Payment

Thank you to parents and/or guardians who have already completed and submitted the Semester 1 Music Co-Payment.

We kindly ask and remind parents and/or guardians to check and pay the Semester 1 Music Co-Payment through the Parent Online Payment Portal and/or visit https://pay.sbhs.net.au/

Mandatory Marching Band Holiday Rehearsals & Performance Uniform

All Marching Band students in Years 7-12 must attend both holiday rehearsals.

*Holiday Rehearsal #1: Friday 21 April, 9.30am – 12.30pm (GH, MPW).

*Holiday Rehearsal #2: Monday 24 April, 9.30am – 12.30pm (MPW).

*Anzac Day CBD Parade: Tuesday 25 April (Time TBC). More information will be sent out soon.

Students will be required to wear FULL school uniform for both holiday rehearsals and on Anzac Day. Students must wear: School Blazer*, White collared shirt**, school black shoes, school long grey pants, school tie, school socks.

*School Blazer – If your son does not have a blazer, either purchase one from the "High Store" or ask another student to borrow theirs for the 3 dates (holiday rehearsals + Anzac Day).

**White Shirt (Years 7-9) – No need to purchase one from the High Store, you can purchase a white collared shirt from Target/Big W/Kmart (examples).

If you have any questions/enquiries regarding Marching Band, we ask students to speak to either Ms S Lim and/or Mr P Aoun directly in the Music Department.

Please note: No Marching Band rehearsals in Terms 2 & 3. Rehearsals resume in Term 4.

2023 Sydney Southeast Symphonic Winds (SSSW)

The SSSW provides outstanding music education opportunities for students. This includes a number of performance opportunities for students enrolled in public schools in and around the Sydney area. The band regularly performs at leading performance venues such as the Sydney Opera House, Angel Place, Town Hall, Parliament House, Verbrugghen Hall and also represents the Department of Education at official events throughout Sydney. Applications close on Friday 28 April 2023.

For more information, please visit: www.gspsensembles.com

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 Clipboard, 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. Students will also be notified of any music related events during ensemble rehearsals.

Attention Music Ensemble Students: If you are in the Music Ensembles Program and have not yet received a Music Performance Program Canvas invitation, please email the Music Department: music@sbhs.nsw.edu.au

2023 Music Ensemble Schedule

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
(Before School)	(Before School)	(Before School)	(Before School)	(Before School)
Intermediate	Senior Concert	Junior Stage Band	Intermediate	Symphonic Strings
Concert Band	Band	7.45am – 8.45am	Stage Band	8.00am – 9.00am
7.45am – 8.45am	7.45am – 8.45am	Room 101	7.45am – 8.45am	Room 101
Governors Centre	Governors Centre		Room 101	
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
			Room 201	
			Junior Strings	Marching Band
			Ensemble	8.00am – 9.00am
			7.45am – 8.45am	MPW/ Room 102
			Room 203	Terms 1 & 4 only
			Terms 1 & 2 only	-
			Junior & Senior	
			String Quartet	
			7.45am – 8.45am	
			Room 202	
			From Term 2	
(After School)	(After School)	(After School)	(After School)	(After School)
Guitar Ensemble	Marching Band	Percussion		Jazz Ensemble
3.20m – 4.20pm	3.30pm – 4.30pm	Ensemble		3.30pm – 4.30pm
Room 201	GH/MPW/ Room	3.30pm – 4.30pm		Room 201
	102	Governors Centre		
	Terms 1 & 4 only			

Please note:

- * The above schedule is subject to change. The Music Department will inform students asap via the CANVAS Music Performance Page and the school's daily notices if there are any changes.
- * Guitar Ensemble: Students who are unable to attend one of the rehearsals can join the alternate session.
- * Marching Band: Rehearsals only run in Terms 1 and 4 only. Compulsory attendance is required for students in Concert Band, Stage Band and selected Percussion Studently (no piano + quitar students).
- * Students must schedule private instrumental lessons at a different time to music ensemble rehearsals.
 * An attendance rate of 80% is required per semester to obtain Award Scheme Points.
- * Music Pocket: Attendance of 5 full years is required. New students in Years 8-11 will need to speak with the Music Department.

2023 Term 1 Music Events Calendar

WEEK	DATE/TIME	EVENT	MUSIC STUDENTS INVOLVED
10	Wednesday 5 April, 9.45am	Anzac Day Assembly, Great Hall	Thomas Liao (12E) John Nguyen (10R) Kaiwen Zhang (10T)
Holidays	Friday 21 April, 9.30am – 12.30pm	Marching Band Holiday Rehearsal #1 (Great Hall/MPW)	Marching Band
Holidays	Monday 24 April, 9.30am – 12.30pm	Marching Band Holiday Rehearsal #2 (MPW)	Marching Band
Holidays	Tuesday 25 April, Time TBC	Anzac Day Sydney CBD Parade March	Marching Band

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



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FIRST COMERIAST SEALED BASIS

ALL OLD BOYS ARE INVITED TO RALLY ROUND TOGETHER TO CELEBRATE HIGH SUCCESS AT AN ALL-YEAR SBHS OLD BOY DIASPORA TRIBE EVENT

CELEBRATING HIGH SUCCESS

WHEN

FRIDAY 12TH MAY

12:45PM 12:00PM

MINGLE DRINKS

2-COURSE MEAL WITH DRINKS

TEA & COFFEE PLUS ALL THE FUN AND CELEBRATION THAT YOU CAN HANDLE

COST PER HEAD

SEATING YEAR-BASED TABLES 10 PER TABLE

REGISTRATION

OPENS 1 MARCH UNTIL SOLD, VIA

OBU WEBSITE

FOR MORE INFO

SUCH AS DIETARY REQUIREMENTS, DRESS CODE, PAYMENT METHODS: VISIT THE OBU WEBSITE VIA THE LINK ABOVE, OR CONTACT:

FRED BOLLING

FRED.BOLLING@YAHOO.COM.AU OR 0413 615 099

WHERE

ATC FUNCTION CENTRE

ROYAL RANDWICK RACECOURSE

ALISON ROAD, GATE 1 LEVEL 2 QEII GRANDSTAND INFO

FEATURING

GEORGE MILLER AO

FILMMAKER · DIRECTOR · PRODUCER · WRITER

ADIO BROADCASTER

LAWYER • PERFORMER • WRITER

CLASS OF 2010

CLASS OF 1983

CEO · CO-FOUNDER · ENTREPRENEUR

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COME RALLY 'ROUND BOYS YOUNG AND OLD REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT INSTRUCTIONS

CAPTAINS LUNCH

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REGISTERED ON OBU WEBSITE FOR OLD BOYS ALREADY

→ LOGON

RESET PASSWORD IF NEEDED VIA FORGOTTEN YOUR PASSWORD?

FOR OLD BOYS NEW TO OBU WEBSITE

→ CONTINUE AS GUEST

ENTER: FIRST NAME, LAST NAME, EMAIL

IF SUBSEQUENTLY MATCHED, THIS MEANS THAT YOU ARE KNOWN TO THE WEBSITE. FOLLOW PROMPTS

CLICK ON COHORT SEATING YEAR BOX. ENTER YOUR COHORT SEATING YEAR, CLICK ON BLUE HIGHLIGHT YEAR, CLICK ON TOP YEAR BOX, CLICK "NEXT

NOTE: "CONTINUE AS GUEST" REGISTRANTS MAY HAVE TO COMPLETE COHORT SEATING YEAR TWICE

REQUEST 1 ONLY TICKET CLICK "ADD", THEN CLICK "NEXT" **REVIEW ORDER CLICK ON "BOOK TICKETS"** SELECT PAYMENT METHOD

IE, CREDIT/DEBIT CARD ONLY IS AVAILABLE









ENTER CARD DETAILS CLICK "PAY"

> YOU WILL RECEIVE AN EMAIL CONFIRMING REGISTRATION FOR THE CAPTAINS LUNCH AND A TICKET TO PRINT AND BRING TO THE EVENT ON 12 MAY

THIS EMAIL SOMETIMES GOES TO SPAM

NOTE 1

If you have any problems with registration and payment please contact Fred Bolling FRED.BOLLING@YAHOO.COM.AU or 0413 615 099

You are NOT joining the OBU, you are simply registering and paving for an event



LEST WE FORGET

ANZAC DAY DAWN SERVICE

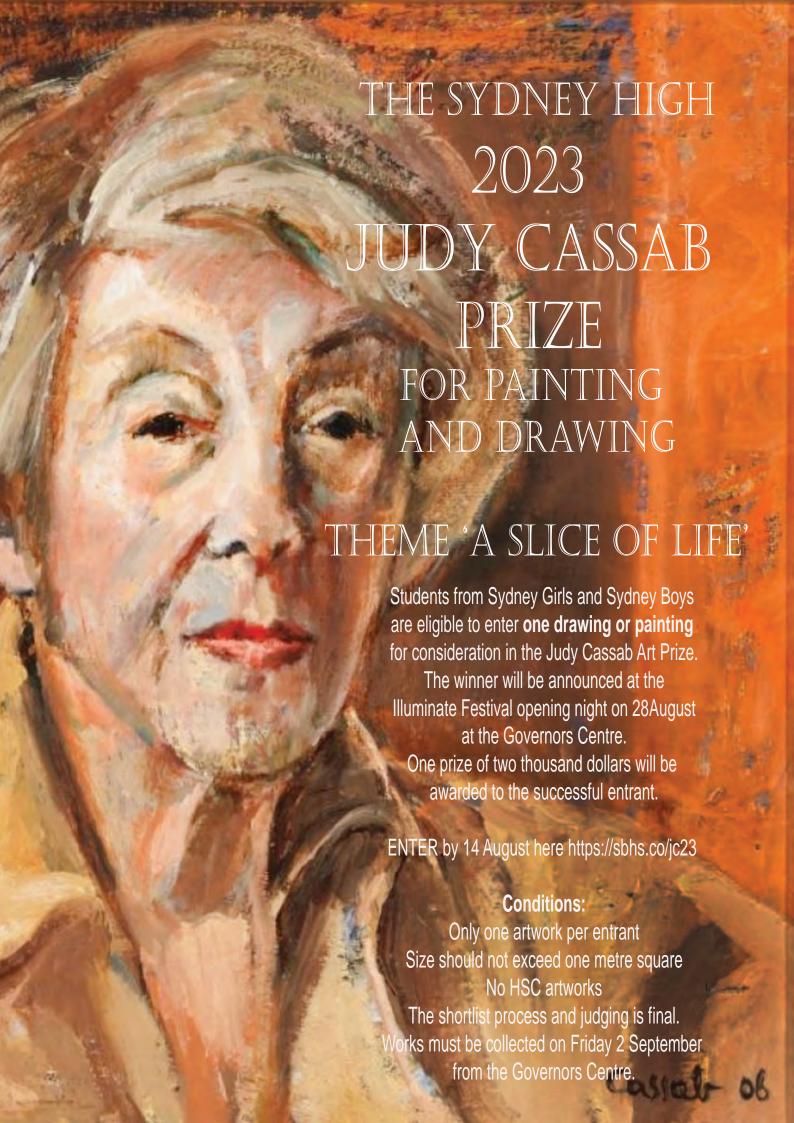




COMMEMORATING ALL WHO SERVE & SERVED IN WARS, CONFLICTS, AND PEACEKEEPING OPERATIONS.

5.15AM - 6.15AM
TUESDAY 25TH APRIL 2023
THE ANZAC OBELISK, MOORE PARK
(Corner ANZAC Parade & Moore Park Road)

Sydney High School Cadet Unit (SHSCU) & Saving Moore Park invites families & friends to attend the ANZAC DAY Dawn Service.







ARTICULATE CREATE INNOVATE

SAVE THIS DATE

MONDAY 28 AUGUST 2023

The Governor's Centre, Sydney High School 5:30pm Exhibition viewing 6:30pm Judy Cassab Prize and Official Opening

Special Guest

Ramesh Mario Nithiyendran



Compulsory school attendance

Information for parents

Education for your child is important and regular attendance at school is essential for your child to achieve their educational best and increase their career and life options. NSW public schools work in partnership with parents to encourage and support regular attendance of children and young people. When your child attends school every day, learning becomes easier and your child will build and maintain friendships with other children.

What are my Legal responsibilities?

Education in New South Wales is compulsory for all children between the ages of six years and below the minimum school leaving age of 17 years. The Education Act 1990 requires that parents ensure their children of compulsory school age are enrolled at, and regularly attend school, or, are registered with the NSW Education and Standards Authority for home schooling.

Once enrolled, children are required to attend school each day it is open for students.

The Importance of arriving on time

Arriving at school and class on time:

- Ensures that students do not miss out on important learning activities scheduled early in the day
- Helps students learn the importance of punctuality and routine
- Give students time to greet their friends before class
- Reduces classroom disruption

Lateness is recorded as a partial absence and must be explained by parents.

What if my child has to be away from school?

On occasion, your child may need to be absent from school. Justified reasons for student absences may include:

- being sick, or having an infectious disease
- · having an unavoidable medical appointment
- being required to attend a recognised religious holiday
- exceptional or urgent family circumstance (e.g. attending a funeral)



Following an absence from school you must ensure that within 7 days you provide your child's school with a verbal or written explanation for the absence. However, if the school has not received an explanation from you within 2 days, the school may contact you to discuss the absence.

Principals may decline to accept an explanation that you have provided if they do not believe the absence is in the best interest of your child. In these circumstances your child's absence would be recorded as unjustified. When this happens the principal will discuss their decision with you and the reasons why.

Principals may request medical certificates or other documentation when frequent or long term absences are explained as being due to illness. Principals may also seek parental permission to speak with medical specialists to obtain information to collaboratively develop a health care plan to support your child. If the request is denied, the principal can record the absences as unjustified.

Travel

Families are encouraged to travel during school holidays. If travel during school term is necessary, discuss this with your child's school principal. An Application for Extended Leave may need to be completed. Absences relating to travel will be marked as leave on the roll and therefore contribute to your child's total absences for the year.

In some circumstances students may be eligible to enrol in distance education for travel periods over 50 school days. This should be discussed with your child's school principal.

My child won't go to school what should I do?

You should contact the principal as soon as possible to discuss the issue and ask for help. Strategies to help improve attendance may include a referral to the school's learning and support team or linking your child with appropriate support networks. The principal may seek further support from the Home School Liaison Program to develop an Attendance Improvement Plan.

What might happen if my child continues to have unacceptable absences?

It is important to understand that the Department of Education may be required to take further action where children of compulsory school age have recurring numbers of unexplained or unjustified absences from school.

Some of the following actions may be undertaken:

Compulsory Schooling Conferences

You may be asked, along with your child, to attend a Compulsory Schooling Conference. The conference will help to identify the supports your child may need to have in place so they attend school regularly. The school, parents and agencies will work together to develop an agreed plan (known as Undertakings) to support your child's attendance at school.

 Application to the Children's Court – Compulsory Schooling Order

If your child's attendance at school remains unsatisfactory the Department may apply to the Children's Court for a Compulsory Schooling Order. The Children's Court magistrate may order a Compulsory Schooling Conference to be convened.

Prosecution in the Local Court

School and Department staff remain committed to working in partnership with you to address the issues which are preventing your child's full participation at school. In circumstances where a breach of compulsory schooling orders occurs further action may be taken against a parent in the Local Court. The result of court action can be the imposition of a community service order or a fine.

What age can my child leave school?

All New South Wales students must complete Year 10 or its equivalent. After Year 10, and up until they reach 17 years of age, there are a range of flexible options for students to complete their schooling.

Working in Partnership

The NSW Department of Education recognises that working collaboratively with students and their families is the best way to support the regular attendance of students at school.

We look forward to working in partnership with you to support your child to fulfil their life opportunities.

Days missed = years lost

A day here and there doesn't seem like much, but...



More information



Further Information regarding school attendance can be obtained from the following websites:

Policy, information and brochures:

Please visit the Department of Education's Policy Library AND The Department's Attendance Matters Website

The school leaving age:

Please visit the Department of Education's Wellbeing and Learning website

Do you need an interpreter?

Interpreting services are available on request, including for the hearing impaired. The Telephone Interpreter Service is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week on **131 450**. You will not be charged for this service.

The High Store now accepting



These vouchers expire by 30 June 2023.

To get the vouchers, log into Services NSW web site. If you don't have a login into Services NSW web site, please go to the following link for instructions: https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/transaction/apply-for-back-to-school-vouchers

- High Store is open 4 days a week Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday from 10:30am to 1:30pm
 - Profits made by High Store are put back into the school
 - High Store has many SBHS memorabilia such as ties, hoodies and more •



		Canteen Price	List 20)23		
Breakfast		Lunch and Rece	ss Ite	ms	Hot Food	
Ham & Egg Muffin	\$3.50	*So you don't miss out on what you want for lunch, make sure you ORDER it before school		Butter Chicken - Homemade	\$5.50	
Toast - Cheese	\$2.00	Sule you ONDER II beloi	6 3011001		Chicken Burger	\$5.00
Toast - Cheese & Ham	\$2.50	Sandwiches / Rolls / Wraps	S/W	ROLL	omonom burgo.	Ψ0.00
Toast - Cheese & Tomato	\$2.50				Chicken Fingers	\$2.50
		Cheese & Tomato (v)	\$2.50	\$2.80	Chicken Mayo Roll (hot)	\$5.00
		Cheese & Salad (v)	\$3.50	\$4.00	Chicken Mayo Sandwich (hot)	\$4.00
Hot Chocolate (Term 3 only)	\$1.50	Egg & Lettuce (v)	\$3.50	\$4.00		
		Ham & Tomato \$3.50 \$4.00				
Fruit / Snacks	Fruit / Snacks				Falafel Wrap	\$5.00
Assorted Snacks @ Various	Prices				Garlic Bread (v)	\$2.00
		*sandwiches made to order for lunch & recess orders.				
Banana Bread	\$1.50					
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Fruit - Apple/Orange/Banana	\$1.00	-		-	Noodles In A Cup	\$3.00
Fruit Salad	\$3.00	CANTEE	N.	_	Pasta - Homemade - Small	\$4.50
Drinks		REMEMBER	R AI		Pasia - nomemade - Smail	\$4.30
Dilliks				-	Pide - Sausage, Chicken/Mushroom	\$4.00
Chill - Aloe Vera or Ice Tea	\$3.50	PROFITS GO	BAC	. K ├	Pide - Spinach/Cheese (v)	\$4.00
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Juice	\$2.50			_	, ,	
Juice Bomb	\$2.50			-	Pie - Traveller	\$5.00
			I		Pizza Wrap	\$4.50
					Rice Box - Homemade	\$5.00
		Salads				
Milk Flavoured 300ml	\$2.50	Salad Box (meat) - Small \$4.50			Sausage Roll	\$3.50
Milk Plain 600ml	\$2.50	Salad Box (meat or egg) - Large \$6.00		Spinach Ricotta Roll (v)	\$3.50	
Milk Flavoured 500ml	\$4.00	Salad Box (plain)		\$5.00	Sweet Chilli Chicken Wrap	\$5.00
Up & Go	\$2.50	Sushi & Roll:	Cuchi a Dalla		Teriyaki Don, Noodles etc - Homemade	\$5.50
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		Sushi - Homemade		\$3.50	Miscellaneous	
Water - Spring	\$1.50	Sastii Homomuu		ψυ.υυ	Spoons / Forks - supplied free with meal puchase	\$0.10
Waterford	\$3.00					70.10
		Nachos - Wednesdays	& Fridays		Tissues	\$0.60
Special Orders					Seasonal Foods	
# If you have specific dietary needs or your favourite sandwich is not on the menu - all		Nachos - Homemade		\$5.50	##ND N	
					**NB Not all food items are available all the example, home style lunch boxes - pasta	
you have to do is ask! We may be able to make it for you. Make sure you order before					salads, soup etc are all seasonal. Please ch	
school.	201010				the canteen before you order.	
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School Physio

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To express your interest, please visit our website: rspcansw.org.au/what-we-do/education /school-holiday-program/

If you would like more information, contact the Education Team on:



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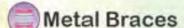
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