



From the Principal

Invoices for School General Service Contributions

All parents should have received their invoices for the year's voluntary contributions. Over the last three years nearly 90% of families have paid the 'school fees'. This terrific response has enabled the school to move ahead with many improvements and additional services directly benefiting students. We rely very heavily on this income from parents. Once again I ask for your cooperation and support to make 2005 the most successful yet in terms of resources available for your boys. Please pay promptly so that we can implement our plans fully in term 2 instead of later in the year.

Tennis Court Development Update



I am expecting ground-breaking draft licence agreements to arrive this week from DET authorising the Sydney High School Foundation to do two things: develop the tennis courts to the approved plans and manage the courts for 5 years with a 5 year option. I hope that this first agreement will be the model for a series of such agreements with the Foundation in respect of its management of the High Store and SBHS agreements with it to use the Fairland Pavilion and the Outterside centre for storage of equipment and sports activities.

Retaining Wall update

We are to the stage of picking a successful tenderer to construct the retaining wall at the end of McDonald Wing to stabilise the bank so that the cricket net slab can then be laid. We hope to get the successful contractor to do the job in the school holidays.

Staff Changes

Regretfully, I announce the departure of our School Senior Assistant, Gayl McLachlan, who has taken up a Development Office appointment at Cranbrook School. On behalf of the staff and students at High, I would like to wish her all the best in her new role. We will remember her for her strong work ethic, sunny disposition, caring and compassionate nature and meticulous financial administration. She moulded together a happy and efficient team of School Assistants. Her leadership skills will be missed. She has acted wonderfully as my 'Bursar' for 4 years – at times a highly stressful, overloaded and certainly underpaid role. Sharon Smith has agreed to take on the position of Acting Senior School Assistant. I welcome Sharon to the role. She has demonstrated skills in ICT and financial administration. I trust all members of the school community will support her as she learns the intricacies of our financial administration.

We welcome also Lynne Williams who will take over from Cathy Meaney in the McDonald Wing Office, doing Sue McGuiness' job. Lynne has a background in ICT and HR and has all the skills required for the role. Cathy will move to the Main Office to do Sharon's job in finance. Diana Acuna also left us last week. She and her family are taking a two year contract to live and work in Venezuela. Diana was very skilled in ICT and was familiar with a wide range of software. She was a trained librarian. Her combination of skills will be missed. We welcome Julia O'Hare to take Diana's place. She will be working Wednesdays and Thursdays in the Library and three days in the Main Office. Julia has experience in library and office work so she should fit comfortably with Diana's duties.

HSC Results Analysis

On Monday evening in the Great Hall, I will present an analysis of the HSC results for 2004 and a review of trends in performance since the new HSC began in 2001. I invite all interested parents to attend the meeting. Data to be presented and reviewed will be available on the school website at www.sydneyboyshigh.com at the About – HSC Results page.

High Talent

Cameron Conway was chosen in the combined GPS second grade team – a just reward for his strong season in a lowly ranked team. Congratulations to Andrew Reis, Kenny La, Jeffrey Jiang, Ellis Louie, Cameron Halls, Ben Chow, Philip Tripp – our CHS swimming representatives. Good luck to all our competitors in the CHS rowing championships this weekend.

Computers in schools upgrade

By the end of this term SBHS should have its entitlement of 38 computer units (taken as servers, PCs or laptops) delivered and installed. We are entitled to another 17 units that will become available some time in second term.



Data points installed in science labs

As part of our ICT strategy for 2005, every science lab has a data point connection to allow teachers to deliver multimedia science lessons. We expect that every science teacher will be able to deliver more flexible lessons in Term 2 as a result of this initiative. More data projectors and laptops will be required to make the delivery of AV and WAN resourced lessons more widespread. I am looking forward to a leap forward in science curriculum delivery over the next couple of years with technology integrated into a majority of lessons.

Dr K Jaggar

The High Store

will be open
**Saturday 2 April 2005 from
8.00 am to 10.30am.**

Please phone Michelle on **9331 7075** to make an appointment.



An Extraordinary meeting of the P&C will be held

**4th April 2005, at 7:30pm
The Great Hall**

**Dr Kim Jaggar will present:
‘Review and Analysis of the
2004 Higher School
Certificate Results’**

This presentation will inform parents and their sons of the SBHS results and emerging trends from the 2004 HSC.

Mark in your diaries as “Not to be missed”

VOLLEYBALL

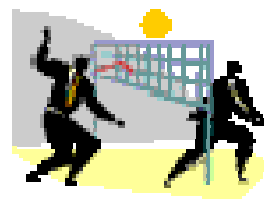
The volleyball season is now underway. First and second grade have commenced training for the GPS competition. In the CHS knockout, first grade are through to the third round after wins over Rose Bay and Kingsgrove North. Their next match is against Canterbury Boys.

Junior teams are in the process of being formed in the 14, 15 and 16 age divisions. Their first event will be the Term 2 Metro Schools Tournament.

Junior training times are as follows:

U15	Thursday	3.15 – 5.00 pm
U16	Wednesday	3.15 – 5.00 pm

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ATHLETICS CARNIVAL - PROGRAM OF EVENTS

Thursday, April 7th 2005

TIME	TRACK EVENTS	TIME	FIELD EVENTS
8.55am	Roll Call	8.55am	Roll Call
9.00am	<u>1500m Finals</u> 14 yrs & under, 15 yrs, 16 yrs & 17 + yrs	9.00 am	17+ yrs Shot Put 16 yrs Long Jump 15 yrs Javelin 14 yrs Discus 13 yrs-no event 12 yrs High Jump
10.00am	<u>100m Heats</u> 12 yrs. 13 yrs, 14 yrs, 15 yrs, 16 yrs, 17+ yrs	10.00am	17+ yrs Long Jump 16 yrs Javelin 15 yrs Discus 14 yrs-no event 13 yrs High Jump 12 yrs Shot Put
11.30am	<u>200 m Heats</u> 12 yrs. 13 yrs, 14 yrs, 15 yrs, 16 yrs, 17+ yrs	11.00am	17+ yrs Javelin 16 yrs Discus 15 yrs-no event 14 yrs High Jump 13 yrs Shot Put 12 yrs Long Jump
1.00pm	<u>800 m Heats</u> 12 yrs. 13 yrs, 14 yrs, 15 yrs, 16 yrs, 17+ yrs	12.00noon	17+ yrs Discus 16 yrs –no event 15 yrs High Jump 14 yrs Shot Put 13 yrs Long Jump 12 yrs –no event
2.00pm	<u>100m Semi-Finals</u> 12 yrs. 13 yrs, 14 yrs, 15 yrs, 16 yrs, 17+ yrs	1.00pm	17+ yrs –no event 16 yrs High Jump 15 yrs Shot Put 14 yrs Long Jump 13 yrs Javelin 12 yrs –no event
2.30pm	<u>400m Heat/Finals</u> 12 yrs. 13 yrs, 14 yrs, 15 yrs, 16 yrs, 17+ yrs	2.00pm	17+ yrs High Jump 16 yrs Shot Put 15 yrs Long Jump 14 yrs Javelin 13 yrs Discus 12 yrs –no event
3.00pm	Roll Call	3.00pm	Roll Call

ATHLETICS CARNIVAL - PROGRAM OF EVENTS

Friday, April 8th 2005

TIME	TRACK EVENTS	TIME	FIELD EVENTS
8.55am	Roll Call	8.55am	Roll Call
9.00am	<u>Hurdles : Heat/Finals</u> 12 yrs. 13 yrs, 14 yrs, 15 yrs, 16 yrs, 17+ yrs	9.00 am	17+ yrs Triple Jump
10.00am	<u>200m Finals</u> 12 yrs. 13 yrs, 14 yrs, 15 yrs, 16 yrs, 17+ yrs	9.45am	16 yrs Triple Jump
10.30am	<u>Roll Class Shuttle Relays</u> (Time Permitting)	10.30am	15 yrs & under Triple Jump
11.00am	<u>100 m Finals</u> 12 yrs. 13 yrs, 14 yrs, 15 yrs, 16 yrs, 17+ yrs		
11.30am	<u>House Relay Finals</u> 12 yrs. 13 yrs, 14 yrs, 15 yrs, 16 yrs, 17+ yrs		
12.00 noon: Return to school for barbeque and X-Country			

Sri Lanka: Antipodeans Adventure

12 students in Years 9-12 will form
the Sydney Boys High Expedition Team 2005-6 to Sri Lanka,
the Pearl of the Orient.

Vaadaa machaan! (Come on brother!)



Adventure: Kayaking. Canoeing. Cycling. Trekking.
Community Project: Contributing to a remote village school.
Cultural immersion: Food. Language. Festivals.

SOMETHING FOR MOTHER



Mothers Day falls on **Sunday, 8th May**.

Lindt LINDOR CHOCOLATES (six chocolates in every box) will be available for boys to purchase as a gift for Mother, Mum, Mummy, Nanna and Grandma.

\$4.00 buys **one box**

\$12.00 for **three boxes** (*tied with ribbon*)



This project has the support of the Principal, Dr. Jaggar, the P&C and the School Representative Council. Funds raised will be directed towards the New Library Fund and current school projects.

To make this project a major success you can be active in two ways.

- 1 **Order a carry pack** of 18 boxes of chocolates and sell to your work mates, neighbours and relatives
- 2 Have your son **purchase** a box **from** one of the **SRC sellers at school** over the week of 2nd – 6th May.

The school needs to place its order before the end of Term One for the estimated number of carry packs to be sold.

Please indicate below and return to office by Wednesday 6th April the amount of carry packs (each containing 18 individual boxes of chocolates to be sold for \$4.00 per box) you wish to sell to your contacts after 2nd May.

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MOTHERS DAY FUNDRISER

Please order for me.....carry packs of Lindt LINDOR chocolates each containing 18 individual boxes.



Name:.....Class:.....

Telephone Daytime Contact Number.....

Student Information

Parents:	Your son will be dismissed earlier than usual on Friday 8 th April 2005
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Program:	1.40 pm	17+ OPEN	3 km	3 Loops
	1.55 pm	16 years	3 km	3 Loops
	2.10 pm	15 years	3 km	3 Loops
	2.25 pm	14 years	2 km	2 Loops
	2.35 pm	13 years	2 km	2 Loops
	2.45 pm	12 years	2 km	2 Loops

Directions:	<p>After the Athletics Carnival, students are to walk back to school. Get changed at lunch time Stay in school grounds, then move over to the venue when the bell rings When your race is called go to the starting area whether you are running or not. Non runners will stay in the starting area until directed to move by the Marshalls At the finish you will be given a place ticket If you are in the first 15 places you go to the first 15 table and have your name recorded All runners to proceed with finish ticket to your house table Tell the teacher your name and finishing position After the race you will be dismissed by a teacher Non runners will have names marked off at the end of the race Non runners will be dismissed at the conclusion of their race if they have a note</p>
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Rules:	<p>Everyone attends You must run in shoes You must wear house colours to qualify for points Stay on the course and follow directions from course marshalls Spectators must stay within 20m of Cleveland St and are not permitted on the course Winning house determined by the lowest total of the first ten runners to finish Award Scheme qualifying standard -compete & finish Top ten runners will comprise the provisional school team to compete at the zone. Only the first 15 places will be timed</p>
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Additional Info:	<p>The School Cross Country is the first qualifying event within the CHS Competition. The First 10 runners for each age division will make up the school team for the Eastern Suburbs Zone Carnival. The first 12 runners at the Zone Carnival will compete at the Sydney East Regional Carnival and the first 10 runners from Regional Carnival go on to the NSW All Schools Carnival.</p>
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<p>You are also invited to join the Sydney High GPS Cross Country Team. GPS Cross Country is a Winter Sport and three age divisions (U14, U16, Opens) compete on Saturday mornings. The season spans across terms 2 and 3 and involves 11 Saturday morning carnivals. All are welcome to join.</p>	
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