

H I G H S C H O O L N O T E S



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From the Principal

High Talent

Congratulations to David Shi (12) for setting such a fine example of courteous behaviour on public transport. People are impressed enough to write to me praising acts of integrity. Thank you so much to the honest staff member who handed in a lost wallet to Maroubra Police Station. The highly relieved owner emailed her heartfelt gratitude for the return of her property. Well done to Andrew Chan and Andrew Chau (9) and Arthur Wang (12) on their awards in the Pedestrian Safety Coreflute Poster competition. Congratulations to Patrick Desmond (11) who is representing east and north east Regions at the state SRC camp this week – a tribute to his leadership skills! Well done to our U-17 cross country team that earned a bronze medal at the NSW All Schools championships this week: Ronan Casey, Michael Denny - Smith, Matthew Ling, Nathan McDonnell.

Joint P & C Meeting – SBHS/ SGHS



We were entertained and informed by environmental expert Prof Don White at a recent joint P & C meeting. His analysis of climate change research and his informed predictions of future trends were sobering. The atmosphere is 1/500th of the mass of the oceans and cannot absorb pollution the way oceans can and have. In the arctic circle there is about half as much winter ice as there was in 1979, meaning more heat is not reflected back into the atmosphere but absorbed into the ocean, raising its temperature. An increase in atmospheric temperature by 2-4 degrees will result in a tipping point leading to accelerating climate change problems. A 6 degree increase would be catastrophic for the planet. In Australia we emit 30 tonnes of CO₂ per capita. Coal power generation, cars, aeroplanes and deforestation are problems. We need to commit to deriving half of our energy from renewable sources by 2020. A great shift in personal values will also be required to increase the use of public transport.

I came away feeling that High had to step up its renewable energy investment considerably. We are registered to receive the Commonwealth solar energy grant. Our goal is to install solar panels to 6KW capacity with inverter and two way meter to log our power generation. This will cost \$55k. I will be asking the P & C to take up the challenge of investing in the planet via local action to achieve this goal (2009-2011). Prof White's modelling predicted sharp increases in utilities prices in the next 5 years. We need to plan to reduce reliance on mainstream energy sources.

Joint Staff Development Day SBHS/ SGHS



Dr Michael Carr-Gregg, renowned adolescent well being author, consultant and presenter, captured and held the interest of the audience over two sessions at our joint staff development day with SGHS. He addressed a particular concern of mine – cyber space addiction among teenagers. In this growing public health problem area there are few professionals with expertise. Parents feel disempowered when dealing with game addiction problems or excessive online interactions through chat rooms and other interactive sites like Facebook and MySpace. On the positive side, health professionals are gradually being trained in how to provide advice and support to teenagers who cannot control their involvement in the cyber world. His anecdotes, video clips and case studies broadened our understanding of adolescent depression issues. He advocated proactive early interventions by families and schools to address the early signs of depression in adolescents. Dr Carr-Gregg offered useful suggestions relevant to our school's values education programming. Mr Walker, Head Teacher Student Welfare, will follow up on these suggestions. Feedback from staff members about the presentation was very positive. Teachers said that they felt more aware of and informed about strategies to detect signs of impaired well being in their students.

High Flyer High Bulletin mail out

OBU members and student members will have received the latest High Bulletin and High Flyer in the mail recently. All students were given a copy of the High Flyer. The OBU publication is increasingly interactive, with Old Boys contributing anecdotes and updates on classmates. The High Flyer is a good news periodical. We are always looking for information about the achievements of our students. Bright, clear photographs in digital form need to accompany submissions. Our editor is Sharon Kearns. If you have an achievement item and photograph you can email them to her at - sharons@sydneyboys-h.schools.nsw.edu.au. We are very interested in staff / student / parent contributions to our 'feel good' publication.

Dr K A Jaggar

Public Speaking



Christopher Chiam of Year 8 and Cameron Morrison of Year 9 represented High at the Local Final of the Legacy Competition. Both boys delivered engaging and thought provoking speeches. We congratulate them on an excellent job. The following report by Christopher Chiam is accompanied by a copy of his prepared speech.

MIC Public Speaking

On 30th July Cameron Morrison and I attended the Legacy Public Speaking Local Finals. This was a great opportunity for us to represent our school in one of the biggest junior competitions of the year. My topic was "A blast from the past" and I talked about how the past is critical to present and future development. With sixteen speakers all together, there was much competition for the top three positions which would decide who advanced to the next stage of the competition. Sadly, neither of us made it through, however, I am sure that I can speak for both of us when I say that we had a great time and learnt a lot about how we can improve.

Christopher Chiam 8M

"To be ignorant of what occurred before you were born is to remain always a child." Marcus Tullius, a Roman statesman. When Marcus Tullius said these words he was spot on about what he said. If we do not know what has happened in the past, we can never develop. Many people do not know this, and even today we try to forget the past. Some people say the past holds us back from development. But this is not the case.

On our earth there are many, many objects which are straight from the past. From massive structures like Stonehenge and the Pyramids of Giza to the smaller items like a Roman coin and a shield, each of these were used in some way in ancient societies. Trade, war, worship or as a burial site, they all had their uses in society. By examining them carefully, we can learn even more about how societies functioned and worked in those times. We can also admire the ingenuity of these objects, especially since pre-modern cultures are considered primitive in comparison to today's societies.

But did you know that many of our modern day inventions that we take for granted are actually based on an ancient concept? For example, the idea of the modern clock stretches back to the invention of the sun dial, which was invented around 3500BC in Egypt. That's over 5,000 years ago! Although the mechanism is not similar, the principle, to measure time, is still the same and it can be said that the Ancient Egyptians made the first plans and machines for clocks, which were built on later in time by other scientists and inventors.

As you can see, by simply using certain objects which incorporate modern technology, we are living the past by using inventions which are testimony to the work of older generations, even if the design is not exactly the same.

And what about culture? Whether it is the customs and traditions of Australia, a small village in Asia or a country in Europe, each of these cultures were invented and developed by the people who inhabited that particular country, region or town. This is why different cultures and customs are so unique, because they were developed and created by different people in different points in history.

Even countries which were occupied, colonized or claimed by another country in the past and which are no longer under that rule have developed a culture separate from that of their origins. A prime example of this is Australia. When Australia was colonized, language, tradition and society were almost exactly like that of Britain. Even the Aboriginal people, who had their own culture, were forced to live like the British.

But over time, Australian society slowly changed from that of Britain by the development and advancement of traditions, language, society and iconic symbols. As you can see, culture is not only the practice of certain traditions by modern generations, but also the developments of it by the ancestors of the modern society.

Another aspect of the past which we still have is knowledge of a civilization and how they lived, fought and so on. In some cases, we know even more than a citizen of that civilization as we have access to a variety of records which were hidden due to being deemed as inappropriate, lost physically or hidden due to government rule. We also have access to archaeological artefacts which can be used to piece together the history of a society.

Sometimes however, we need the present to judge the past. For example, in World Wars 1 and 2, it must be admitted that there was a needless amount of deaths to soldiers and civilians. But the fact that there was public support in some form or another means that we can compare the attitudes of people today and the past, and gauge human development and progression against this scale. Or on the other hand, sometimes we need history to be the judge of the present. For example, the treatment of people in third world countries is terrible.

The standards in which they live in are in some cases worse than what life was like in the past. The world has praised itself for its advancement in the last few years, but how can we do this when some people are living in conditions worse than the past? By looking at history, we can be judged on how far we have come, or not come. But in our modern world, we have to think with every move we make, "How will history judge us?" By learning about the past, we not only learn about other generations, but we can also learn much about ourselves.

In conclusion, the quest for time travel has been one which mankind has longed to journey on. However, if we take a step back from our modern lives, look at society and our surroundings and think about the origin of these things, then we have begun to realise how essential the past is to the present.

Christopher Chiam

Academic Achievement List Year 8 Semester 1 2008



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 41.

William BAXTER
Anton BROKMAN
Christopher CHIAM
Ming CHIN
Timothy CHIN
Simon DO
Julian EDGTON
Lucas FANG
Derrick FOO
Toby FUNSTON
Harry HEO
William HO
Emtiazul HOQUE
Alexander HUGHES
Max JONES
Abeer KHAN
Jim KOUKOURAS
Kevin KRAHE
Patrick KRAKOVSKY
Kenny LAU
Frank LI
Ennes MEHMEDBASIC
Timothy MONTANARO
Eric NG
Joel NG
Ming PAN
Jun-Hyuk PARK
Suman PRUSTY
Andreas PURCAL
Shubash QUAZI
Siddharth SETHI
Gavin SUTTON
Stephen TRANG
Jamison TSAI
Krishna VISVAA
Albert VU
Ben WILCOX
Peter WU
Yujin WU
Jerry ZHOU
Michael ZHU
Jack ZOU

Did you know?

Did you know that the brass bell that hangs in the cloister outside the Great Hall came from the *HMAS Encounter*? Former Headmaster, George Saxby, purchased it for the School in 1934.

The *HMAS Encounter* was a second-class protected cruiser of the Challenger class, laid down for the Royal Navy in 1901, launched in 1902, completed in 1905 and transferred to the Royal Australian Navy in July 1915. In 1914, the ship bombarded German positions at Toma during the New Guinea campaign at the beginning of World War I. She was sent to Darwin in early 1919 to protect NT Administrator John Gilruth after the trade union-led "Darwin Rebellion" demanded his resignation. The *Encounter* was paid off in 1920 and, from 1923, served as an accommodation ship, the *Penguin*. She was scuttled off Sydney on 14 September 1932.

Mr Saxby purchased the bell from Garden Island in 1934 having previously failed to obtain the bell of the *HMAS Sydney* when she was broken up in 1929..



The badge of the HMAS Encounter.



University of New South Wales Junior School's Debating Day: Tuesday 1st July, 2008

Winning Team Members: Al Hughes, Ben Wilcox, Yu-Jin Wu and Siddhartha Sethi

After an early arrival, Sydney Boys High School gathered together in the UNSW theatre for the final preparations on the topic: 'That team sport should be compulsory for all schools in NSW'. Speaking on the negative side, Ben, me and Yu-Jin's beat the North Sydney Boys team after which morning tea was served.

Later, we were given our second topic: 'That advertising should be banned during children's programming'. Speaking for the affirmative, we had only half an hour to prepare. We began our case with Ben, me and Siddhartha (speaking in that order) and defeated another North Sydney Boys side. Sid debated particularly well and was easily our best speaker, especially given the fact that he had never before been third speaker.

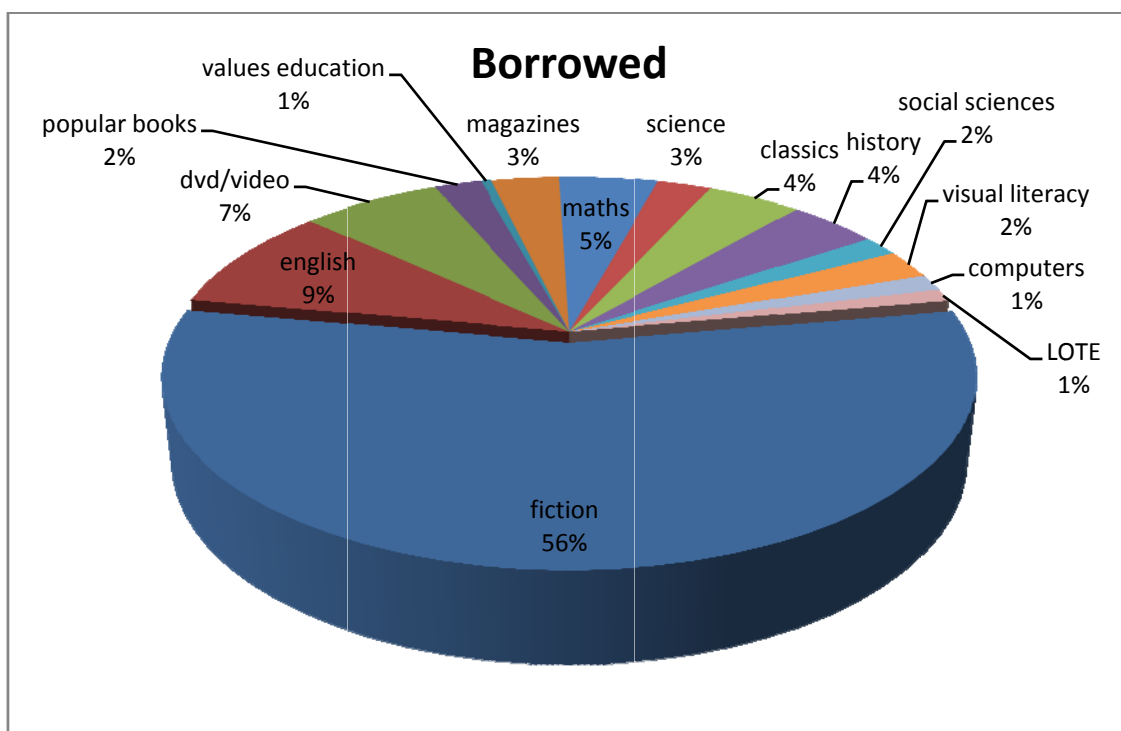
After lunch, our team prepared for the final debate and the chance to win the UNSW Debating competition. The topic was: 'That Australia has too much US culture' and once again we were on the affirmative. We decided that our winning formula shouldn't change, so we kept the same members and prepared to face a very experienced Sydney Girls High team. Much to everyone's surprise, especially ours, we won! We knew what this could mean... As everyone gathered in the hall, we found that there were four undefeated teams, including another from our school. We waited patiently for the results: '....and the winning team is....Sydney Boys High School!'

We were grinning from ear to ear- the hard work of the day had paid off and we had won!

Thank you to everyone who was involved.

Al Hughes
Year 8

FROM THE LIBRARY



Library overdue notices to be SMS alert



The library is hoping to alert students to their Library overdues (on the portal) by student mobile SMS. This means that we need to collect your mobile numbers as you borrow books. Sheets will be attached to the circulation counters for filling in prior to borrowing. *It will be several weeks before this system is operational.*

Parent mobiles will be alerted where students do not have mobile phones. Everyone else will be required to regularly check their portal or DET email for overdues.

Holiday borrowing snapshot – half of it was non fiction – surprise! surprise!

The Library Staff were quite pleased with holiday borrowing and this prompted us to use the data we had gathered to update our analysis of library borrowing patterns. All resources were examined and allocated categories related to what was believed to be the student's purpose in borrowing. To see the results see the pie chart supplied.

Mrs Crothers
Librarian

ARTeFACTS



Years 10-12 students have recently visited the Sydney Biennale at two venues [MCA and Cockatoo Island]. Anyone interested in visiting Cockatoo Island should take advantage of the free ferry service running from the jetty outside the MCA because the island is fantastic and the art is great as well. Favourite works at Cockatoo Island were by William Kentridge, Mike Parr, TV Moore and Paul Pfeiffer.

Exploring the abandoned island was eerie and compelling.

At the MCA students were led around the gallery spaces by an education officer discussing a number of key works and issues in contemporary art.



THE ZOO WITH YEAR 8

On Friday 1 August Year 8 visited Taronga Zoo to develop a series of drawings based on close observations of the animals. As always, students were beautifully behaved and with perfect weather, the day was a success. Look out for the artist's editions of lino prints to follow later in the year that will be based on the zoo drawings.

ARTeFACTS

About arty Tuesdays

Year 7 Art Club

Calling all Year 7 Visual Arts students who want to have fun, fun, fun. A new 'Art Club' sponsored by the SBHS Gifted and Talented Committee is starting on Tuesday 12th August after school in Room 609 over term 3. The sessions are aimed at the creative and gifted students who absolutely love experimenting with clay, paint and drawing techniques. There is only room for fifteen students at the moment so you will need to give your name to Mrs Isaacs early. The first 15 whose art teachers believe would have the commitment and would greatly benefit from this extension program will be the first group to start next week.

We will have fun creating sculptures, murals or a project that you particularly want to develop. The session will last approximately an hour.

There will be more than one teacher on duty every Tuesday and each student joining the art club will need to bring a permission note from their parents to say that they are allowed to join.

If interested fill in this form and ask your parents to sign below.

My child named-----of class----- has permission to join the art club after school starting Tuesday 12th August. I understand that my son will need to comply with all school and art rules whilst in the ART club sessions.

Signed-----

Parent /guardian.

Art Facilities will be open on Tuesday afternoons during term 3 for student access and artist run work shops

In an effort to provide access to film suite, video cameras and art rooms Art staff will be at school until 5 over term 3 on Tuesdays to let students into specialist areas.

From 12 August over 4 Tuesdays the Art staff are thrilled to have Portrait painter Katarina Sakkas conduct painting workshops with selected students from Years 11 to 8 who would benefit from her painting input.

Stay tuned for further workshops that may come up next term.

Thank you to the Art teachers whose energy and commitment to Visual Arts allows this initiative to be trialled over term 3.

Pedestrian Safety and Graphic Design at SBHS



From left: Kim Jaggar - Principal - Sydney Boys HS, Andrew Hau [2nd place], Andrew Chan [1st place] Lord Mayor Clover Moore - City of Sydney Council , Arthur Wang [3rd place] , Len Woodman - Community Road Safety Officer - City of Sydney Council and Sandra Coppe - Road Safety Education Consultant - DET - Sydney Region

At the Junior Assembly on Wednesday 6 August, the Lord Mayor Clover Moore presented the School with the corflute pedestrian safety posters that were designed by the Pedestrian Safety competition winner Andrew Chan [Year 9]. SBHS was a part of a pilot program run by the DET and Sydney Council Road Safety to raise road safety awareness.

The Selection criteria for judging was

1. Message effectiveness – relevant and clear **pedestrian safety** message
2. Visual hierarchy
3. Quality of art - effort/artwork
4. 'X' Factor - what makes the work stand out.
5. Content

Four variations of Andrew's design can be seen on the fences around the school in an effort to remind students to take care when negotiating the major roads bordering the school.

The quality of entries from our students was highly professional and surprised the judges. Ten other students were awarded cinema tickets in recognition of their efforts. Anthony Ho and Andrew Chee [Year 12] were very impressive in their role as student representatives on the judging panel.

THE 2008 DEBATING DINNER

Traditionally the Debating Dinner is held on the Saturday after the final GPS debate and celebrates the strength of debating talent at High - 2008 will be no exception (except it will be held a week later!). The dinner is also our opportunity to thank our staff and coaches. There will be a comedy/fun debate starring our coaches, with parents providing their expert adjudication skills to decide the winner.

This year's Debating Dinner is being held on
Saturday September 13 in the Great Hall at 6pm.

The cost of the dinner will be **\$30 per adult/student.**
A special price for siblings under 10 years of age has been negotiated at **\$20.**

BOOKINGS MUST BE MADE BY FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 5.

Payment for the dinner can be made at the **main office.**
NO bookings can be accepted after this date as catering numbers must be finalised.

WHAT SHOULD I DO? Detach the form below → pay your money at the main office
ANY QUESTIONS? Email the Debating Support Group sbhsdsg@gmail.com

Can you help with dinner set up? email sbhsdsg@gmail.com Alice Paul Dinner Co-ordinator

2008 DEBATING DINNER

Student Name _____

Year/ Roll class _____

Number of adults attending _____ @ \$30 = _____

Number of U/10 attending _____ @ \$20 = _____

TOTAL Number of people _____ TOTAL \$ _____

☐ Do you have any special dietary requirements? Vegetarian?

The *Literacy* competition
is

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PAST ECHOES

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Future Voices

\$50 Voucher Prizes to be won!

1000 word limit

Fiction, Non-Fiction, & Poetry

Junior [7-9] & Senior [10-12] Divisions

Closes end of Term 3



Brought to you by the
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Get your writing published
in The Record!
Prizes will be presented
at Speech Night.

SYDNEY HIGH SCHOOL ROWING COMMITTEE



Invites all Rowing Parents
and other Interested Parties
to
The Annual General Meeting 2008

at 7.30pm, Tuesday, 19 August
in the Staff Common Room

All positions are declared vacant and are up for nomination and election.
With many Year 12 parents 'retiring', we need lots of new faces on the Committee, from all Years.
Come along, be part of the team
and support our Rowers in 2008/9

A J Rae Shield Fencing Invitational (26/07/08)

The A J Rae Shield is a tournament only attended by those school fencing teams which have been invited. Our First Grade team was invited to the tournament, though some junior fencers got confused and turned up. Thank you for your enthusiasm, guys, and thank you to the parents who brought them. A special thanks should be given to Eric Ng and his Mum for staying to watch the Firsts fence.

The tournament was a team direct elimination match to forty-five. There are three members (and possibly a reserve) on a fencing team, who all fence each other, giving nine bouts in all. The score is cumulative, and the maximum score of a team for each bout is five times the number of the bout it is. This means that the first bout is fenced to five, the second to ten, and the ninth to forty-five. This allows both teams an opportunity to catch up

Our first and last match of the day was against St Andrew's Cathedral School. The first half of the match was closely fought and it wasn't until late that we began to pull ahead. Unfortunately, their best fencer was able to make up those points in the last bout, and we lost in a close match, 41-45.

Schools League matches begin this weekend. We're looking forward to it.

Students should carefully check email details for times of each match. Arrive ½ hour before start time to get hire gear.

Volleyball Report

Tournament Results

The under 15s volleyball team displayed a solid effort in the NSW Junior volleyball Cup. The team performed admirably with a first place position in the under 15 division. Valuable team building skills were consolidated during the day's play. Overall it was a very enjoyable day and provided us with a new set of goals to take into the next tournament. Dennis Kim



The under 16s played rewarding volleyball on Friday. Following a straight sets win against Christian Brothers College, High continued to perform strongly with wins against Blayney and our own Under 15s. Finals time and Westfield's managed to snatch victory again, forcing our Under 16s to a silver medal. Overall it was an extraordinary effort all round and congratulations to everyone for their contribution to the team. Hugh Huang



1st Grade Report

High got off to a promising start to Term 3 Volleyball even though Newington matched us point for point early in the first set. A couple of unreturnable spikes from Chris and Merlin broadened our lead and easily sided out the set. In the next set Newington lifted their game to new heights and as a result took an early lead. After a tactical time-out, some consistent serving from Ritam and a variety of wild spikes and short sets by Ping we re-gained our composure and finished the set on a strong note. The third set presented us with little difficulty and the match concluded with a win to High in straight sets: 25-17, 25-15, 25-10.

Daniel Shan

2nd Grade Report

Even with a height disadvantage High 2nd Grade volleyball remains undefeated. Newington was no match in light of Hugh's great serving and effortless blocking from Chris.

Brendan Cheung



THE ONION BAG



End of Season Football Dinner and Awards night

Will be held on **Thursday September 4th** in the Great Hall, from 6.30 pm.

Please email admin@gtmanagement.com.au if you would like to help with this.

GPS round 4: Saturday 9th August

GPS round 4 is against Shore this weekend with games at **McKay, Moore Park West and Shore's Northbridge** fields.

Check draw for details on school website (upcoming events). www.sydneyboyshigh.com

<u>Venue information for this weekend</u>	<u>Wet Weather</u>
McKay 3 & 4 Sydney High home grounds located in Centennial park	9339 6670
MPW 16, 17,18 Sydney High home grounds adjacent to school.	9339 6670
Northbridge D, F (SCEGS War Memorial Sports Fields) Shore home grounds located on cnr Alpha and Sailor's Bay Rd, Northbridge	9956 1135

Details of MPW/ McKay and CP fields can be found at: www.cp.nsw.gov.au/map

Bill Turner Cup Round 4 v Marist Brothers Penshurst

Last Friday morning the 15s Bill Turner cup team travelled to play Marist Brothers Penshurst in the area semi final of the Bill Turner Cup. Unfortunately the boys lost a hard fought match 1-0 against a talented and well drilled team. I would like to congratulate the boys for their performances in the comp this year and their coach Frank Caetano for moulding them into such a well organised team during the last three years.

Rubbish left at grounds

I'm delighted to report that our grounds in Centennial Park were left in a clean and tidy state at the end of all fixtures. Also thanks to the 2nd grade squad and High supporters who helped pack up at the conclusion of the 1st XI match.

Match Reports from matches v Kings

1st Grade v Kings Draw 1-1

With this being the first GPS home game, High were determined to register their first win of the season. After a bright start, with High dominating the majority of the first half, with several clear scoring opportunities going begging, leaving the half time score, nil – nil. The second half saw Kings come out with a greater level of commitment and the momentum of the game swung their way and eventually they scored an opportunistic goal to take the lead. Down but not out, the High team continued to search for the equaliser right to the end and were rewarded for their efforts forcing an injury time own goal, to dash the hopes of the Kings players and supporters.

2nd Grade v Kings Won 1-0

High 2nd grade scored a hard fought victory thanks to a combination of sustained effort and a slice of luck in the form a goal keeping error by the Kings custodian. Standout performances for High came from Shota Shimada at the back, along side Anton Paul who set up a brick wall defence. In attack, Kent Nguyen displayed his pace and aggression up front to set up several scoring opportunities in his best performance of the year. Overall a great effort by 2nd grade and hopefully they can build on this result in the remaining matches.

5th Grade v Kings Won 3-0

This week's match-up against Kings was a thoroughly enjoyable game, with an end-game result that restores our confidence as being 'the best-damn team out there'. Kick-off was at the pre-brunch time of nine o'clock, so I suspect a certain lack of food in many of the bellies of the players, thus leading to some serious exhaustion on-field. It was either that, or perhaps the fact that Kings ran us ragged in our own half. Nevertheless, the High defence (consisting of Arthur Kourtesis, Zid Mancenido, Ben Wong, Pat Desmond, and led by Mishu Osinski) pushed on for every minute of the game and denied attack after attack of Kings striking efforts. Fortunately, their defensive pack weren't as adept as their forwards, and our mid-fielders (Avish Sharma, Stanley Chin, Nick Squeaky Lindeback, Michael Serben, Dom Shorty Bowes, and Simon Hoang) were able to dominate the ball from halfway on. This led to a half-time score of 2-0 our way, thanks largely to the striking efforts of Stewie Sugito – who scored both goals.

The second half was much of the same, with High getting another goal up thanks to a shot by Mark that was saved and fumbled by the keeper, then deflected off a Kings boy right into the back of the nets – thus earning Kings the title of own-goal specialists. On a final note, Danny Fu was the other striker of the day, who was unfortunately unable to score one of his usual awe-inspiring goals, however most importantly – Fifth Grade has found their Keeper! His name is Harry Reid, he used to play defender for the fifths, and he is now star-keeper extraordinaire, using his amazing height and reach to keep the High sheet clean. Good effort all around, see you next time. **By Pat Desmond, Captain**

15C v Kings Draw 1-1

With an away game against The Kings School, we knew we were up for a tough contest. With a reshuffled line-up due to the injury of a player, we took to the field with a resolute mind-frame to defeat them unlike last year where we lost 4-1. With a tough opening 15 minutes, both teams jockeyed for territory until fill-in forward I Bonch-Osmolovskiy broke through the defence and finished tremendously with a great goal. The Kings tall wingers attacked with pin-point accurate crosses until they wove their way through the defence and scored for themselves. With a tight finish to the first half, both teams walked off with some things to ponder.

The second half started again with the Kings' left-wing attacking our right-side. They were thwarted again and again until we ourselves could counter-attack. V Sethi and M Rozsa proved themselves to have stood up to the task with great performances. The last 15 minutes was spent mostly in our goal box with the Kings team pushing forward and applying a stranglehold grip and testing our defence. With adamant defence of three consecutive corners, High finally repelled a last-gasp effort from Kings, again down the left wing, while finishing the game with a 1-1 draw. Although the scoreboard does not have an accurate reflection of our efforts, we proved ourselves to be a strong defensive team. Special mentions must go to L Sheldon for his great performance as goal keeper, making some great saves and S Sheldon for his unwavering support and coaching of our side.

Iftiar Khan, Captain of 15Cs

14As v Kings Lost: 0-1

The 14As came up against a very big King's side that started the game off at a very quick pace. We caught up with the pace and started to dominate possession, but the one time they had good field position, they scored, very early in the half. We went on to battle well and get many chances up front, but taking on 1 more defender than necessary and getting tackled at the edge of the box. The second half was pretty even possession, with neither team, looking to score another goal. Man of the Match: Slava

Al Hughes

Mr R.Gifford

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Quotes of the Week

'I would not be bothered if we lost every game, as long as we won the league.' Mark Viduka



'I can see the carrot at the end of the tunnel.' - Stuart Pearce



ADULTS LEARN TO ROW PROGRAM

Sunday, 10 August – 21 September 2008

7.00am – 9.00am

6 Sessions of 2 hours

Cost \$275.00 incl. GST

The Outterside Centre

5 Teviot Avenue, Abbotsford

Come down to Abbotsford this Sunday and bring your friends with you. Fantastic opportunity to learn Rowing in Sydney in a friendly, relaxed atmosphere. Whether you are a complete novice or have some previous experience, everyone is welcome. Rowing is the ideal aerobic sport for the entire body as it is low impact and low injury. You'll enjoy the ultimate team activity as well as the magic moments of early mornings on the water. All our coaches are 'old boys' who volunteer their time to make a contribution and they even organise a BBQ breakfast afterwards for everyone to enjoy in this stunning location!

Learning Outcomes

At the completion of the course participants will possess the following skills and knowledge:

- Basic knowledge of rowing style and boat rigging
- Basic navigation rules and river etiquette
- Ability to row with a crew in a racing shell

Safety Note: Participants must be able to swim 50 metres and tread water as a safety requirement. All participants must sign The Sydney High Foundation's Indemnity Form, stating swimming ability, before they are allowed on the water.

Under 18's must be accompanied by a participating adult.

To make a booking or for more information: Please contact Judith Shuttleworth, Foundation Venues Manager, on 0427 070 569 or at sales@shsfoundation.org.au



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Today most of us will probably all be settling down in front of the telly to watch the opening ceremony of the Olympic Games. I'm sure that you are looking forward to it as much as I am. The Olympic Games gives us the chance to watch humanity at its best – much faster, higher and stronger than the rest of us. It's inspiring to see athletes stretched to their limits – they are as amazing as superheroes, and wonderful to see.

But tonight as we gather in front of our tvs to gaze on the spectacle China has prepared for us, it is good to be mindful that Beijing's Olympic Games has come at a cost.

Those of you who saw last week's *Foreign Correspondent* on the ABC will have seen interviews with ordinary Chinese people who want to speak out about the treatment they have received at the hands of the Chinese Government. (You can still watch it online - it's called China – Foul Play' - at <http://www.abc.net.au/foreign/broadband.htm>)

Inside China people are persecuted and imprisoned for their religious and spiritual beliefs; rural migrants are deprived of their basic rights; families are forced from their homes without compensation; and ethnic groups are harassed and silenced.

Expressing your opinion in China can result in jail, torture and death. Peaceful human rights defenders have had their phones tapped, homes raided, assets frozen and sometimes even their family and friends have been harassed. Some activists are tortured in secret detention centres, others are executed for vague crimes. It's difficult to gauge the full extent of the persecution because of the secrecy that shrouds China.

Restricting the internet helps the Chinese Government to hide the true extent of human rights abuses like the death penalty, torture and detention without trial and the persecution of human rights defenders. We believe that transparency is essential to create a society that upholds basic human rights.

This Monday lunchtime *Sydney High's Amnesty International Group* will be holding a special event to promote the UNCENSOR campaign, designed to raise awareness of human rights abuses in China, and to actively do something about it. We will be tearing down our own Great Firewall of China, writing postcards to campaign for the release of prisoners of conscience, and hopefully, listening to a presentation from a guest speaker. There will be a quiz, a petition, and a chance for us to not simply complain about human rights abuses, but to actively do something about them. On Monday lunch we'll be in front of the High Store if it's good weather, - check the mango sheet for the alternative venue if it's not. If you care about the rights of the Chinese people, come along. I promise you'll enjoy the Olympics much more if you've participated.

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The 2008 SBHS Football Dinner

SBHS Football will celebrate the efforts and achievements of our boys as well as acknowledge staff, coaches and supporters at the SBHS Football dinner on Thursday 4th September.

The coach of each team will be invited to attend the dinner as a guest.

Players are asked to take responsibility on a team-by-team basis for any end-of-season gifts to their team's coach.

**The dinner will be held on
Thursday 4th September
Great Hall
6.30pm**

The cost of the dinner will be \$30 per adult and student. For children under 11 yrs old there is a special rate of \$20.

Payment for the dinner must be made at the Main Office by Friday 29th August.

Boys to wear school uniform at the dinner. BYO Drinks.

Please detach the form below and hand it in with your payment at the Main Office.
Tickets are limited.

2008 FOOTBALL DINNER

Student Name Year/Roll Class

Football Team

TOTAL Number of adults @ \$30 per adult = \$

TOTAL Number of students @ \$30 per SBHS student =

(Special rate of \$20 for family members under 11yrs = \$20 per child) TOTAL \$ _____

Do you have any special dietary requirements? ☐ Vegetarian

☐ Other Please state

☐ YES! I can help on the day with setting up the hall, table decorations etc.

Helper's name and contact details :

Email address:

Phone Numbers :

SYDNEY BOYS HIGH STORE & CLOTHING POOL

SCHOOL UNIFORM

BLAZERS: From: \$255.00

*Please arrange for boys to be fitted
as early as possible*

(6-8 weeks delivery from order)

PANTS:

Trousers - Junior, Dark Grey w/w \$59.00

Trousers - Senior, Light Grey w/w \$59.00

SHORTS:

Grey \$45.00

BELTS:

Black Leather \$16.50

SHIRTS:

Sky Blue & White, Short Sleeve Crested

Sizes 10 - 14 \$24.00

Sizes 16 - 22 \$26.00

Sizes 24 - 28 \$28.00

Sky Blue & White, Long Sleeve Crested

Sizes 10 - 14 \$26.00

Sizes 16 - 22 \$28.00

Sizes 24 - 28 \$30.00

BLUE WOOLLEN JUMPERS:

Up to Size 14 \$79.00

Size 16 - 22 \$82.00

Size 22 - 26 \$85.00

SOCKS:

Cotton Knee High \$11.00

Cotton Anklet Sock in S.H.S.
Colours \$8.80

TIES:

Junior \$22.00

Senior \$27.50

Prefect \$20.00

Old Boys \$27.50

G.P.S. Old Boy \$36.00

CAPS:

S.H.S. \$20.00

Beanie \$20.00

BAGS:

Backpack \$69.00

Sports Bag \$66.00

MATHS:

Grid Book A4 \$5.50

Grid Book 96 page \$2.20

Calculator \$30.00

Protractor \$0.55

Compass \$1.55

MUSIC:

Music Book \$2.20

ART:

Artist Paints \$22.00

Canvas 18" x 24" \$22.00

Visual Art Diary A4 \$6.60

Visual Art Diary A3 \$11.00

DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY:

D.T. Apron \$9.00

UMBRELLAS:

Folding \$16.50

Golf \$27.50

SPORTS UNIFORM

P.E./HOUSE SPORT:

Polo (house colours) \$22.00

NEW

Microfibre Short

Black Baggy with S.H.S. print \$22.00

Sport Socks \$8.80

TRACKSUITS: (sold as separates)

Microfibre track jacket \$88.00

Microfibre track pant \$44.00

ATHLETICS:

Singlet (NEW DESIGN) \$38.50

Short (NEW DESIGN) \$38.50

HIGH Training Top \$33.00

Socks white with S.H.S. colour \$8.80

SOCCER:

Jersey (sky with brown collar) \$44.00

Shorts Brown Baggy \$27.50

Socks \$11.00

RUGBY:

Jersey up to Size 12 \$75.00

Size 14 - 22 \$77.00

Size 24 - 28 \$79.00

Shorts (black rugby) \$27.50

Socks \$11.00

Scarves knitted in S.H.S.
colours \$27.50

TENNIS:

Junior Polo Shirt \$38.50

2nd to 5th Grade Polo Shirt \$44.00

Socks with S.H.S. Colours \$8.80

SYDNEY BOYS HIGH STORE & CLOTHING POOL

Autumn / Winter Price List 2008

MEMORABILIA

Mug with S.H.S. Crest incl Gift Box	\$16.50	S.H.S. Sticker	\$1.10
Bridge Scorers	\$11.00	Address Book	\$12.00
Double Pack Playing Cards	\$24.00	School Centenary Book	\$15.00
		Silverware: Sugar or	
Pencil Case (school crest)	\$8.00	Fluted Spoon	\$5.50
S.H.S. Pen	\$8.80	Ashtray	\$8.00
Letter Opener	\$6.60	Hatband	\$8.00
S.H.S. Pad	\$3.00	S.H.S. Plaque	\$49.50
Car Sticker	\$4.50	Coat hanger	\$5.00
S.H.S. Foldable Chair	\$49.50	S.H.S. Cufflinks	\$15.00
Car Number Plate Covers	\$39.95		

OLD BOYS MEMORABILIA

Polo Shirt with S.H.S. Logo	\$49.50
Supporter Jersey	\$75.00
Rugby Jersey (original)	\$60.00
Supporter Polo Fleece Jumper (new design)	\$69.00
O.B.U. Tie	\$27.50

CLOTHING POOL

A recycled section operates within the High Store Shop. Items such as blazers, shorts, trousers, jumpers, rugby/soccer

tops & boots, tracksuits, can be sold on a commission basis -

The High Store Shop retaining 1/2 of the sale price.

Please ensure that when sending items for sale you include your name and address.

All items sent should be clean and in good condition. Shirts are gladly accepted as donations.

PAYMENT

Cash, Eftpos, Bank Card, Visa, MasterCard, American Express or Cheque payable to the "HIGH STORE"

OPENING TIMES

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday
10:30am to 1:30pm
Telephone: 9331 7075

GOODS & SERVICES TAX (G.S.T.)

G.S.T. is included on all prices listed.

BLAZERS

G.P.S. Pocket	\$22.00
Music Pocket	\$22.00
Prefect Top	
Pocket	\$22.00
Prefect Bottom	
Pocket	\$38.50
Embroidery Line	\$17.50
Full Braiding	\$70.00
Dry Cleaning	\$11.00
Service Charge	\$30.00

GENERAL -

with S.H.S. Crest Badge	
House Badge	\$9.90
S.H.S. (metal)	\$6.60
Rowing (metal)	\$7.70
Orchestra (metal)	\$4.50
Rifle (metal)	\$5.50
S.B.H. Lapel Pin (metal)	\$2.75

August/September 2008

08-08-2008

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
4 B	11 Trial HSC Music performance, Great Hall, all day Year 9 High Resolves program [30 boys], all day Sydney East Area Athletics Carnival, SOPAC (Homebush) (pm) Amnesty activity, lunchtime, details TBA P&C Executive Meeting	12 Sydney East Area Athletics Carnival, SOPAC (Homebush) ICAS English Competition Year 12 Study Day Trial HSC Music performance, Great Hall, all day OCMC meeting, Board Room, 5:30pm	13 Trial HSC Cricket Committee AGM, Staff Common Room, 6pm	14 Trial HSC	15 Trial HSC Year 8 History/Geography excursion, all day Debating SHS v NC	16 Sport NC v SHS Cross Country: SGS Invitation, Centennial Park (10:00 am) HSC Chinese Extension Speaking Examinations HSC French Extension Speaking Examinations	17
5 A	18 Trial HSC Summer Sports selections	19 Trial HSC Foundation Meeting, Randwick Rugby Club, 6pm Rowing Committee AGM, Common Room, 7:30pm	20 Trial HSC School Council Meeting, Board Room, 5:30pm P&C Meeting, Common Room, 7:30pm	21 Trial HSC	22 Trial HSC Debating SHS v TSC Years 8-11 Chinese excursion to movie and yum cha, from period 2	23 Sport TSC v SHS Cross Country: Shore Invitation, Macquarie University (10:00 am) Sydney High Volleyball Tournament, SHS Gym 8:30 am - 5:00 pm	24
6 B	25 Trial HSC	26 Trial HSC HSC English Extension 2 Project Completion Date Mandatory PDHPE Course Day, Year 10 Sports Council Meeting, Board Room, 5:30pm	27 Trial HSC ICAS Computer Skills Competition Last day of winter sport HSC English Extension 2 Project Hand In Date Rugby Committee Meeting, Room 901, 6pm Meet the Music concert, SOH, 6:30pm	28 Trial HSC HSC Music Composition Recording, all day Last day of winter sport	29 Trial HSC Year 9 excursion to Ultimo science festival HSC Music Composition Recording, all day Debating SGS v SHS Water Polo: Sydney East Trials	30 Sport SHS v SGS Cross Country: GPS Championships (SIC), Riverview (10:00 am) Parking - Swans v Brisbane Lions (P and C)	31 HSC Visual Arts Body of Work Completion Date
7 A	1 HSC Visual Arts Body of Work Hand In Date HSC Design and Technology Major Design Projects Hand In Date	2 Winter Sports Photos, Periods 1, 2 and 3 Debating Supporters Group Meeting, Common Room, 6:30pm	3 Change to summer sport Winter Sport Reports to be submitted to Record Committee Year 12 Meeting re References, Great Hall, 9am Fencing Committee AGM, Staff Common Room, 6:00pm	4 Change to summer sport Winter Sport Reports to be submitted to Record Committee Mufti Day - Lak Saviya Foundation [Year 10] CHS Athletics Championships, Homebush Football Dinner, Great Hall, 6:30pm	5 Debating SHS v SJC GPS Music Festival rehearsals CHS Athletics Championships, Homebush	6 CHS Athletics Championships, Homebush GPS Music Festival rehearsals, all day GPS Music Festival, 6:30pm Rugby Dinner, Great Hall, 6:30pm	7 Fathers' Day HSC Music Submitted Works Completion Date HSC Music rehearsal, Great Hall, all day