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BASKETBALL



The Opens side competed in the Championship Division and won the Bronze medal against the top school from each state in Australia. Over the last four years of competing in the Championship Division we have managed first, first, fourth and this year's third.

The Fifteen Years side competed in the Invitational Division and won a Silver Medal. They were fortunate enough to play the Chinese National 15 years side in a round game



FOOTBALL

Arjun Punekar (Year 12), Michael Cui (Year 11) and Daniel Arzani (Year 9) were all selected in the Combined GPS Football squad.



DEBATING



Youth Parliament is a YMCA NSW-run program which aims to promote youth-led advocacy, active community leadership and parliamentary education. Tushaar Garg (Year 11) represented his local electorate of Bankstown and Sydney Boys High School as a part of the Education Committee. His journey culminated in the Legislative Assembly chamber with him winning the Best Speaker award.

Our Year 8 debating team: Akheed Ahmed Ramzi, Louis Saunders and Hugh Bartley won the University of Sydney Union Debating Competition in November. There were one hundred and twenty competitors in thirty-four teams, so their win was significant.



RUGBY GLORY



The Third XV turned around a sixty point loss earlier in the season to beat Grammar Third XV, the first time an Opens team has beaten an equivalent Grammar opponent in twelve years.

VOLLEYBALL

Sydney High Volleyball had a successful year winning the GPS First and Second Grade competitions. It was the inaugural year for the GPS Under 16 Volleyball and High was undefeated in this division as well.

The Under 14,15,16 and Open teams are now preparing for the Australian Schools Volleyball Cup held in Melbourne from 8th to 13th December.



WEAR IT PURPLE



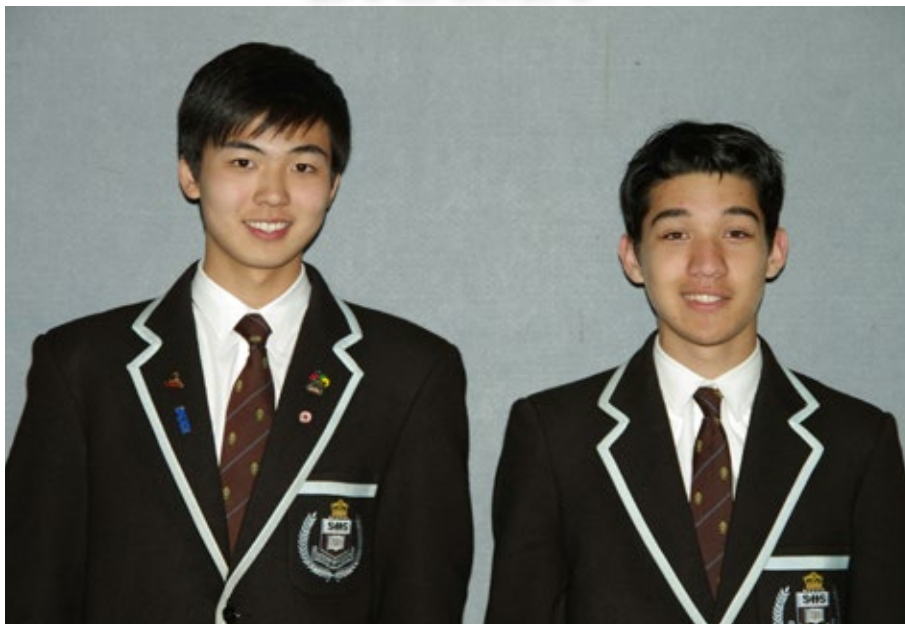
Nelson Tang and the Promoting Our Diversity (POD) committee organised Wear It Purple celebrations in August with Sydney Girls High School.

HIGH ACHIEVERS



An inspiring “High Achiever” event designed to inform students about the realities of potential careers was organised by Paul Almond and Steve Turner of the Old Boys Union. The opening speech was from Tim Morris AM APM (1981). George Miller, film director, was interviewed by Paul Almond. Panels formed of old boys working in a range of fields: medicine and health (Dr Tim Musgrove, Dr Louis Wang, Alan Davies and Dr Damitha Fonseka); business (John Croll, Tony Abrahams, David Scribner and David Vien); mentoring (Jack M Bancroft, Ben Whitaker and Yaegan Doran); legal (Thomas Kaldor, Bruce Ramsay and Andrew Hii); engineering (Greg Warren and Nick Armstrong) and sports (Danny Weidler, Spot Anderson, Adam Magro and Dominic Grimm). The panelists shared their experiences and advice with an appreciative audience.

DRAMA



Wenbo Gong, Jonathan Freiberg (pictured) and Chris Ketkeo (Year 11) attended the 2013 State Drama Camp.



CROSS COUNTRY

Quite a few of our boys represented the school at the CHSSA finals (teams and individuals) in Cross Country. Luke and Jayden Schofield (pictured), Elliot Love and Kevin Guo (14 years), and Ned Anson, Steven Chung, Kenneth Liu and Lokesh Sharma (17 years) represented High.

Individual competitors Thomas Nimac (15 years), Brendan Hancox (16 years) and Jonathan Clements-Lendrum and Nelson Tang (18 years) also made it to CHSSA.

ENCORE

It was a remarkable year for our HSC Music students who received thirteen Encore nominations across both Music 2 and Music Extension. Congratulations to our Encore Nominees for 2013 in performance: Music 2 – William Du, Brendan Hancox, Ken Huang, Riley Irwin, Gideon Kwok, Ken Li, Sagar Nagaraj (composition and performance) and Edric Wang (composition and performance); Music Extension

– Daniel Cordas, Ken Huang, Jaan Pallandi and Tin Wu. These results are among the best ever achieved in the Music program at High.

Many of our HSC elective music students are also heavily involved with the NSW Performing Arts Unit rehearsing weekly outside of school and performing at venues such as the Sydney Opera House and Entertainment Centre.



PUBLIC SPEAKING

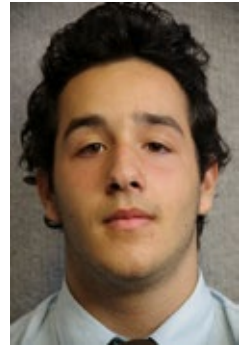
Kushaali Vyas was runner up in the National Final of the Rostrum Voice of Youth Public Speaking Competition in Canberra. Kushaali's success will see him represent NSW in the national competition.

ROWING

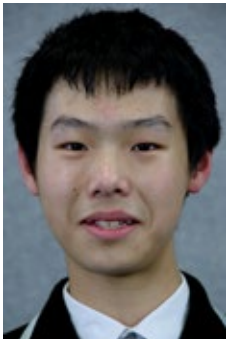
At the Head of the Parramatta Regatta in early November, High won the schoolboy coxed quad. Gold medals were awarded to Tim Luo, Steve Comninos, Shawn Noronha, Ray Fang and Kenneth Liu.



TABLE TENNIS



At the CHSSA Schoolboys Shield Tournament, High teams filled all places – a wonderful effort! Glanden Zheng and Lenny Han (gold), Eddy Belokopytov and Edward Koo (silver) and Barry Wu and Vincent Bui (bronze). Congratulations to all concerned on this dominant performance.

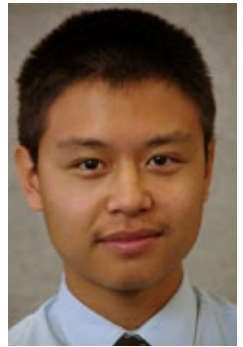


OnStage and OnScreen

Sherman Du's superb HSC Drama film *Presence* was selected for Writer's OnStage and OnScreen. It was one of three from about three hundred film submissions selected. *Presence*, a horror film, explores the psychological suspense of a haunting and the subsequent mental breakdown of the lead character.



HIGHLIGHTS



Well done to our International Competitions and Assessments for schools (ICAS) medal winners: Shang Lin (Year 8) - Computer Skills; James Goh and Vishal Karnamadakala (Year 9) - Writing; and Kevin Liang (Year 10) - Writing.

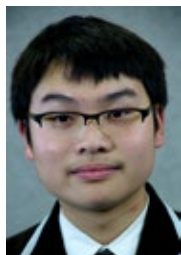
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At the Australian National Chemistry Quiz Daniel Cai (Year 8) achieved a perfect score! Scaled scores of 100% were achieved by: Jason Lam & Jason Hu (Year 12), Robert Tan (Year 11), Dexter Gordon (Year 10), Rafael Ng (Year 9) Dallas Yan & Kieran Shivakumaarun (Year 8).



Daniel Cai

Jason Lam



Jason Hu



Robert Tan



Rafael Ng



Christopher Chen (Year 11), left, was awarded a High Distinction and gold medal in the Chemistry Olympiad competition – a very significant achievement. Edric Wang, right, was awarded the same in the Physics Olympiad. No one can recall when High boys achieved at this level in two competitions simultaneously.



Congratulations to all the Prefect Interns who were elected for next year. Welcome on board to the new student leadership team: Shawn Noronha (Captain), Ned Anson (Vice-Captain) and Howard Gu (Senior Prefect).

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Elbert Ly and Tin Wu (Year 12) were equal third in Japanese Continuers in the HSC. Additionally, Tin Wu was third in Japanese Beginners.

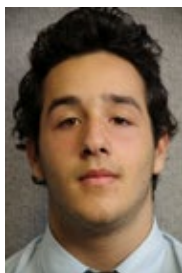


Brendan Hancox (Year 11) and Madison Wu (Year 10) played in the Millennium Marching Band at the Schools Spectacular in November.



Kevin Ni (Year 10) was invited to be a member of this year's AOIC Informatics School of Excellence to be held in Canberra in December. Only twenty seven students in Australia were invited.

Edward Belokopytov (Year 9) (right) ranked fifth in the ASX Share Market Game.



Michael Alexandratos (Year 11) received an 'Excellent Effort and Commitment' award from the Open High School for his work in Italian Beginners.



At the young Australian Art Awards, Gordon Yuan (Year 9) won a gold medal as runner up for his entry, entitled *A Midnight Read*.

ART EXPRESS



Marcus James HSC Body of Work will be exhibited in Art Express at the Art Gallery of NSW in early 2014. He created an enigmatic and evocative film and photographs based on his performance addressing ideas about identity. He knitted a kimono from computer cabling and created props for the performance.

