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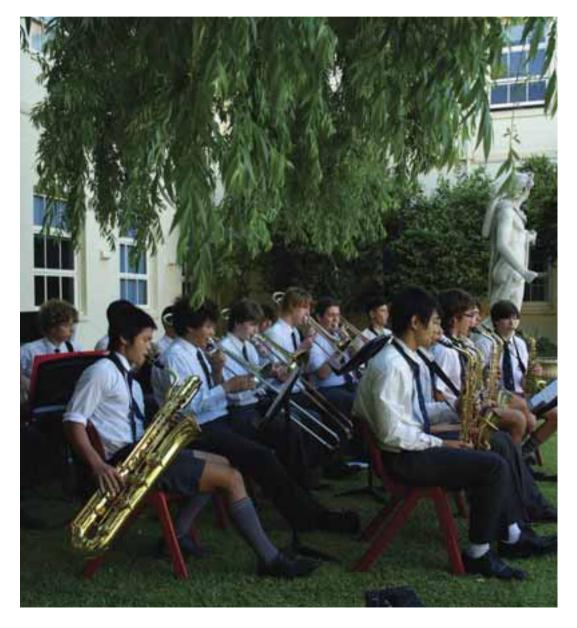
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Editor's Comments

2010 is my final year as Editor before I pass on the task of overseeing the production of *The Record*. This undertaking has been a rewarding one, providing me with an enhanced knowledge and appreciation of the depth and quality of our school culture. The Record 2010 celebrates this culture. Most significantly The Record reminds us that at the heart of quality education is a dynamic and

wonderful relationship between students, staff, families and the broader community. It is a privilege to be a part of this relationship at Sydney High. Once again I would like to thank Mark Gainford for the crucial role he plays in collating photographs and the invaluable assistance of the Administrative staff.

Marina Trompetter, Editor



Year 12 Farewell Assembly 2010

School Captain's Address

There are some things you only ever get to do once. No matter how great they may be, no matter how much you'd love to do them again, you just can't. For the Class of 2010, our time here is up, and nothing is going to bring it back. And it seems as though the worst thing about this school is that sooner or later, you have to leave it. All those days spent walking these halls are gone; we've all had our last class, our last lunch time, and our last sport match in the great blue and brown. But the thing is, if we actually had the chance to spend the next six years of our life here, and do all the same things all over again, I don't think we'd take it. Sometimes, the time comes to move on. Our life at High has made us ready for that time. More than ready, in fact, it has left us wanting to get out there, expand our horizons, and live the next chapter of our lives in whatever endeavour we choose. It feels like the possibilities for us are endless, and when we do go on to do such great and diverse things in life, we will always have Sydney High linking us together.

There is no doubt that this is a sad day, because today is the day that the routine of the last six years, the life that we loved so much, becomes a memory. Over our time here, Sydney High has been synonymous with our lives, and trying to remember back to when it wasn't is almost impossible. Trying to imagine what it might be like in the future is

exciting, but daunting. That's why it's so important that we keep these days alive in our memories. We will always remember those individual days at High that left a mark on us. It might be the Athletics or Swimming Carnivals, Head of the River's, or GPS Athletics. It might be that humble final match of social sport, or a particularly memorable class. It might be the 2nd VIII crossing the line at the Head of the River in 2009, the great results at GPS athletics just last week, or the volleyballers winning basically any competition in existence. We've all got them, and I'm sure we can think of them now. But those events were one-offs. They formed a big part of our time at High, but they did not define it. What defined our time here is the everyday life - the life that saw us meet 200 fellow peers, share classes and sport teams with them, form friendships with them, talk, laugh, and cry with them, and always be at their side.

These memories, I'm sure, will form the basis of many long hours of reminiscing in the future. They have already formed the basis of the lifelong friendships that began six years ago. But they will do even more than that. They will remind us of the lessons this great school has taught us. Because if there's one thing we've learnt here, it's to do as much as you can, in whatever field of endeavour you choose, and to do the best you can. Don't leave anything in the tank, because that only leaves regret



- regret that you could've done better, but that you missed your chance. After six years here, I can't see any reason that we should feel that regret.

And that's because we've pushed each other, and been pushed ourselves. All of that is down to the office ladies, canteen ladies, librarians, coaches, groundskeepers and cleaners who made it all possible. It's down to the teachers, who taught us so much more than the syllabus. It's down to our year advisors, Ms Walles and Mr Codey, who never failed to offer encouragement and support. And it's down to our parents, who have been with us every step of the way. So to all those people, we say thank you.

But most importantly, it's down to each of us. I save this last thank you to the end, because to me it is the most important. Having spoken to Old Boys over the years, the overwhelming message has been that our time at High will be some of the best years of our lives. But that's only because we've made it so for each other. In truth, it is the people you are surrounded by that make the difference between a good experience and a great one. Together, we've

seen each other grow up. We've struggled through painful training sessions, starting the warm up in the morning cold just as the sunrise lit up the grounds. We've helped each other through exams, supporting each other through the stress and material we had to confront. And then we've joked about it all to make so much more enjoyable. It's been a life of ups and downs, but we've shared the joys of every up, and helped each other out of every down. The experiences we've had together will be with us for the rest of our lives, and they can be described as no less than incredible. After six years together, six years that have in some ways felt eternal, but in others far too short. I feel proud and honoured to have been able to share this time with such a great cohort, and an amazing group of people.

So to the Class of 2010, we came here as inexperienced young boys, and today we leave as men, ready to take the next step in life. But for the time we were able to spend together in between, thank you.

Antony Paul





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SPEECH NIGHT

and

126th ANNUAL PRIZE GIVING

Principal's Address

Special guests John Pilger, Director Sydney Region Dr. Phil Lambert, Education Director Bondi, Louise Ferguson, Ms Andrea Connell, Principal SGHS, distinguished guests, presenters, Old Boys, parents, staff and prize winners, welcome to High's 126th Presentation Night.

The year 2009 was a very eventful one for High. Our 'School Within a School' culture was boosted by the creation of two libraries supervised by two Teacher Librarians. In its first year, the 'senior' or Macdonald Wing Library was conceived as a 'cyber library' to complement the Andrews Junior Library, but its popularity soon led to an expansion of its development beyond internet research. I want to thank our Librarians, Veronica Crothers and Suzanne Gordon for implementing the two library vision. By the middle of this year we hope to have both libraries fully operational, seating more than 220 students at once in research mode. The refurbishment of seven science laboratories and a prep room was a major project that we had to fight for but achieved after much negotiation with DET and DOC. Michael Kay and the science faculty put in a lot of effort to get the specifications right. The work was completed over the holidays and the rooms made available for student use on the first Thursday of this term. Bovis Lend Lease did a very professional job, thanks to Peter White and his team.

Our self-managed BER project, the Great Hall kitchen, which became an Assets Management Unit state funded project, was completed last Friday. We have now a fully operational commercial kitchen for school functions and commercial hirers. A & DR Illes Pty Ltd did a wonderful job in a heritage site, thanks to John Gavellas and his colleagues. Kim Jones and Richard Madeleine of JonesSonter took care of project management very professionally. Our 34m x 15m Covered Outdoor Learning Area was erected over the holidays to provide all weather protection for our cricket nets and winter recreation. The

project has yet to have drainage, paving, fencing and landscaping issues resolved. The first two stages of our long awaited electrical upgrade were completed in 2009, the sub-station, cabling from the substation to a new main electrical switchboard, leaving only the under bore across Cleveland St. to connect us to much increased mains power. I am grateful for the Commonwealth and state funding that has revived our facilities. Our solar 6kw power plant was installed and commissioned, using the solar grant and a donation from the P & C. Students can now monitor our electricity production and consumption.

In 2009 our HSC academic outcomes did not reach the overall very high standard of 2008. We slipped from 7th to 9th in the league table but the consolation prize was that we ranked as the No 1 boys school, ahead of Sydney Grammar and North Sydney Boys. There were some fine individual performances, with first place in the HSC going to Bryant Apolonio in English Extenson 1 and 6th in English Advanced. Simon Cheng was first in Mathematics Extension 2 and ninth in Extension 1, while Yiming Cao was third in Mathematics Extension 2 and 7th in Extension 1. Sam Burnham ranked 4th in Studies of Religion 2-unit, a course only recently introduced at High but growing in popularity. David Fan earned 20th spot in English Advanced and 8th in English Extension 1.Thomas Wilson was 4th in Classical Greek Continuers and Extension, with Christian Katsikaros 5th in Classical Greek Extension. In music High had five Encore nominees in 2009.In terms of depth we had 33 ATARs at 99 or over, 155 at 90 or greater and a best guess ATAR average of 93.15. In value added terms, however, the class of 2009 showed the greatest improvement in overall HSC results compared to School Certificate composite scores ever seen since the new HSC began. Congratulations to all those teachers who worked so hard and cared so much to get the most out of so many of our students.

In co-curricular activities our results surpassed 2008. In debating our Year 11 Karl Cramp team won the state Premier's Debating Challenge title. Antony Paul was selected in the NSW All Schools team which won the national competition in Adelaide. High won the GPS Chess Championship for the fourth consecutive year and our junior team won the Scots Invitational. Our Open Team were runners up in the NSW JCL competition. Our U-15 basketball team were undefeated in the CHS Knockout tournament, crushing Westfield Sports High in the final. The Open team was runner up to Westfield in the Knockout open final. Spencer Llewellyn was chosen in the Australian Schoolboys Basketball Team. In volleyball, our Open team completed a clean sweep, winning the GPS, Combined High Schools and All Schools Tournaments. Balraj Ougra was selected in the Australian Schoolboys Volleyball Team. Christopher Morrow was chosen in the U-17 NSW Schoolbovs Team. In Target Rifle Shooting our team won the All Schools Tournament and followed this up by winning through to be GPS Co-Premiers for 2009. Athletics had a great year. At the GPS carnival the team scored two firsts and four seconds, its best result since 1979. Ivor Metcalfe won the U-14 high jump at the GPS and National Championships. Christopher Morrow won the U-17 GPS, All Schools and National Championships in high jump. High's 12 years and 14 years relay teams both won gold at the CHS carnival. High won the Kippax Cup (highest boys point score) at the CHS carnival for the first time since 1989. In cross country, High had representative teams at the CHSSA in 14, 15 and 17 years, having won through from regional competition. With a silver and two bronze medals, the teams put in a solid all round effort. In swimming the U-13 years relay team won a silver medal at the CHSSA titles. Max Chien broke the GPS record by 8 seconds in the 15 years 200m. breast stroke.

We are proud of our achievements in nurturing scholar-sportsmen at High but all boys owe a great deal to the voluntary support they receive from a great many people.

The contribution of our parents to the programs running at High is critical. I want to acknowledge tonight the terrific work of Shane Brown and Simon Chan in school governance over the last six years. George and Christina Chow have helped so much with their financial expertise in the School Canteen and Basketball Committees. Tailoi Chanling was the driving force behind the Sydney High

Development Committee for several years. Kim Tong was a most significant person in the Rifle Committee's survival and success over the last six years. Paul and Megan Eriksson gave great service to rugby and staff recruitment. To all of those parents and the many others who gave so freely of their time and expertise – thank you on behalf of the boys.

On this occasion each year I indulge in an unsolicited offering of advice for departing Year 12 prize winners. Louisa Lawson, mother of the iconic Australian poet, Henry Lawson, was forced to leave her husband in the bush and fend for herself in Sydney. She was a woman of great courage, vitality and strength of character. She conceived and published a women's newspaper, 'The Dawn'. She organised the first Woman's Suffrage League in Sydney. She was a leading feminist in her day – not an easy thing to be in the Depression of the 1890s. She bid for and won a contract to supply mailbags to the Post Office and immediately invented a modification to the fastening strap on the postal bags which reduced handling time by two-thirds. Louisa is known for her political and social commentary but she also wrote poetry which she compiled and published herself in 1905 under the title "The Lonely Crossing'. Tonight I want to share one of her poems with you -'A Friend in Need'.

Friends will quickly leave you, Slight you and deceive you, Or will not believe you

If you have a wrong Those who hurt will hate you, Enemies will slate you, And as crank disrate you

If you have a wrong. But if you are righted Those who coolly slighted Will be so delighted!

Said so all along! But you then can show them That you would forego them, As too well you know them

Since you've had a wrong. But your friends, God bless them! Take their hands and press them, You'll not have to guess them If you've had a wrong.

I am persuaded that your involvement at High will have given you the self-confidence and discernment to shrug off the disapproval and social abandonment of uncommitted acquaintances and the slurs of those fashionably against you, when you face up to the troubles that will come your way. You will have the life skills and perception to cut through flattery and keenly sense hypocrisy and value good hearted sincerity and loyalty. You will have learnt what real friendship is through shared experience. So many High boys retain school friendships through university and vocational life. I trust that you will too. One or two good friends can sustain you through life. Congratulations to all prize winners and to those students and parents leaving us tonight.

Dr K.A Jaggar

Address by John Pilger

Thank you Dr. Jaggar, and to all of you for giving me the honour of presenting the prizes tonight.

It's very strange for me to be standing on this stage where I last stood in 1957 as a member of the Sydney High first eight that had just won the GPS Head of the River.

I was so proud.

Why?

We had shown that Sydney High, a state school, could deploy the determination and skill, the spirit and intelligence that have *nothing* to do with money and privilege, and everything to with a commitment that is human endeavour at its boldest.

Most of our supporters on the river bank were not finely-dressed. They did not drive smart cars. They weren't always confident and assured. But they represented the way we were.

When we won, my dad's best mates, a taxi driver and a bookie, celebrated in the pub. They didn't care so much about the Head-of-the-River. They cared that Sydney High had won.

That's why being here tonight means so much to me.

I was not a successful student. History alone fired my imagination, thanks to one fine teacher. Maths and science were sent to torment me. What saved me from delinquency was the very idea of Sydney High, its sense of community – parents, old boys, supporters – and the way High was admired in the wider community.

For me, this translated into lifelong friends and a comradeship expressed mostly in rowing, which instilled an attitude of all-for-one-and-one-for-all.

That was my launch pad, my beginning.

Yes, High is an elite school – it comes eighth in the government's new league tables. But that's not why it's extraordinary.

Secondary public education in New South Wales was pioneered at Sydney High, and today when international visitors drive into Sydney from the airport, past Moore Park, they glimpse a school where the amazing diversity of Australia is represented, and celebrated.

As this country has changed its Anglo-Irish characteristics for a nation drawn from all corners of the earth, Sydney High, along with other state schools, has led the way.

That's something all of you here tonight – students, teachers, parents – should be immensely proud of.

But an elite status carries responsibilities. It's not enough to turn out brilliant passes in the HSC. There is an obligation upon all of you to understand and speak out on issues that affect the wider community.

Issues like why Australia goes to war in countries that do not threaten us.

Issues like the way our governments treats refugees who struggle to reach our shores

Issues like education.

The federal government's recent publication of school league tables is an attack on our wider community – on the "fair go' that is said to be at the heart of Australia.

As people rush to find out how their school rates, the hidden message of these lists is one of division and hopelessness to many young people and their families not fortunate enough to be at a school like Sydney High.

For example, I looked up the primary school I attended – in Wellington Street, Bondi. It rated No. 564 out of 1100.

Wellington Street Bondi is not fashionable. It never was. The parents of kids who go there often have to struggle.

However, not far away, Bondi Beach Primary is fashionable. Middle class parents fight to get their offspring in. And it's more than 400 points up the list from Wellington Street.

In the West of Sydney schools that have the

responsibility of teaching students with English as a second language, and dealing with the poverty that inevitably comes with refugees, find themselves way down in the list.

In the country, Boggabilla is near the bottom of the list. Its students come from the indigenous community: the First Australians.

According to a recent United Nations report on 90 countries, the Aboriginal people of Australia are so disadvantaged they have the worst life expectancy of any indigenous people in the world.

That's shocking, isn't it?

What will happen now to schools like Boggabilla that are named and shamed?

The students, teachers and parents, for all their efforts, are not supposed to feel proud, are they? Now perhaps they will feel more alienated from the Australian community than ever -- as a campaign of attrition is mounted against so-called failed schools, forcing some of them eventually to close.

Those of us who care about education and a fair go should ask:

What is the real aim of these lists? Is it ideological?

Is it to cut back state education and harness teachers to a dictated curriculum? Is it to undermine the solidarity of teachers? Is it to replace a democratic system with a corporate version?

I have watched this happen in the UK and the United States, disastrously. The media in both countries has been used to pressure schools into becoming small businesses. The same may happen in Australia unless we are vigilant.

Moreover, this naming and shaming is a distraction from the fact – the scandalous fact – that the government bankrolls private schools at the expense of public schools.

A wealthy private school like Knox Grammar gets an aquatic centre and smart boarding facilities, largely courtesy of the taxpayer -- while the poorest schools, like Boggabilla, beg for funds for a library.

By 2012, Australian taxpayers will have given \$1.2 billion more to private schools than to the schools where the majority of our children are educated.

This is morally wrong. It has no place in the Land of Fair Go.

We must defend a well-resourced public education system that provides opportunity for *all* youngsters, regardless of income, race and class. There's nothing more precious in a democracy.

Without it, I wouldn't be standing here tonight, and you wouldn't be celebrating your achievements.

Without it, the esteem and confidence of our youngsters would be on sale to the highest bidder.

Let me quote you the words of the great American historian and teacher Howard Zinn, who has just died.

Professor Zinn was a champion of public education. His great textbook, A People's History of the United States challenged the propaganda of established power that said democracy is handed down from the top, not fought for and won by the people, by us.

"I wanted my students," he wrote, "to leave my classes not just better informed, but more prepared to relinquish the safety of silence, more prepared to speak up, to act against injustice wherever they saw it. This, of course, was a recipe for trouble."

In offering all of you my congratulations on your achievements at Sydney High, I urge to go into the world and leave the safety of silence — to speak up and act against injustice wherever you find it, and to make trouble — remembering that the most important trouble is calling to account those who assume power over our lives.

Always question, always stand your ground and, above all, be brave.

For those of you who may not be coming up to get a prize tonight, remember that success in future life doesn't necessarily come from prizes. Neither does it come from endless testing.

What's important, above all, is the person you are, the kindness you express, the compassion you feel, and the courage and wisdom you show at every step along the way.

And may I add this personal note. It's fifty one years since Sydney High won the Head of the River.

High boys today are as capable and lion-hearted as we were. All they need is help, as we needed it. Surely it's time. Thank you.

John Pilger

ACADEMIC AND CO-CURRICULAR AWARDS

HSC

The Headmaster's Prize and Warnecke Trophy for DUX

Thomas Wilson

Latin (Extension)

The Chancellor's Prize for Classical Greek (Sponsored by the OBU)

The P & C Prize for Second (Sponsored by the P & C)

Yiming Cao

Mathematics Extension 1

The Alan C Corner Prize for Physics

Prize for Third Thomas Nguyen

The Henry F Halloran Diamond Jubilee Prize for Chemistry

Advanced English Bryant Apolonio

English Extension 1

The Class of 1937 Prize for Visual Arts
The H C Fisk Prize for Ancient History

The Peter Walker Award for English Literature

Music Extension Brian Lau

The Frank S Bradhurst Prize for Biology

The Headmaster's Award for Outstanding Achievement in the Arts

The Sir Earle Page Prize for German Alexander Belokopytov

The Headmaster's Award for Achievement in the Arts

English Extension 2 Timothy Burston

History Extension

Music 1 Lachlan Brown

The Headmaster's Award for Achievement in the Arts

Chinese (Continuers) Steven Ke

Chinese (Extension)

The G C Saxby Prize for Mathematics Extension 2 (Sponsored by the OBU) Simon Cheng

The John Henry Fraser Prize for Studies of Religion – 2 Unit Sam Burnham

The John Henry Fraser Prize for Studies of Religion – 1 Unit Ageeb Alam

Legal Studies Patrick Desmond

The Paul Griffiths Prize for Economics

Matthew Lau

Business Studies Andy Liu

The A B Piddington Prize for English Literature David Fan

The Dr F W Doak Prize for LatinChristian KatsikarosSoftware Design & DevelopmentDaniel Lambert

The Dr Charles Winston Prize for Geography (Sponsored by the OBU) Victor Lam

The Sir Earle Page Prize for French Mark Lucchitti Mathematics (2 unit) Vithushan Mohan Music 2 Tom Peters Personal Development, Health and Physical Education **Hugo Richards** The M G Speedy Prize for Engineering Studies Daniel Shan

The Norman Save Memorial Prize for History Performance Drew Rooke (Sponsored by the OBU)

The Clarrie Martin Memorial Prize for Modern History Aaron Tran

The Headmaster's Award for Achievement in the Arts Andre Brokman Guangzhi Niu Ivan Lim

PRELIMINARY

The Keith C Cameron Memorial Prize for DUX (Sponsored by the OBU) Adrian Zhang **English Advanced**

The P & C Prize for Second (Sponsored by the P & C) **Christopher Wong** Legal Studies

Prize for Third Hugh Huang Chinese (Continuers)

Kai Lin **Engineering Science**

The K Saxby Prize for Mathematics

Modern History Antony Paul

Debating Award

Music 2 Charles Wu

Music 1 Jordan Saito-Patch

Studies of Religion Shiraz Biscevic

Mathematics Extension 1 Arif Uddin

German Liam Aylmer

The F A Elgar Prize for French Samuel Beston

Business Studies Maxwell Connell

Digital Imaging Sam Darcy

Visual Arts Anirban Ghose

The University of NSW School of Economics Prize for Economics Shejil Kumar

Speech Night

Software Design & Development Jeffrey Lam The F A Elgar Prize for English Extension Ivan Li The C W Wicks Prize for Physics Eric Feng The J Manchester Prize for Biology Robert Lu The SHOB Rugby Club Prize for Chemistry (Sponsored by the OBU) Vithushan Mohan **Earth and Environmental Science** Hayden Schilling Personal Development, Health and Physical Education **Gregory Shargorodsky** Paul Simos **Ancient History** Latin **Nelson Wang Classical Greek** John Wormell Geography Yale Wong The Peter Walker Award for English Literature Joshua Sutton **YEAR 10** The Sir Frederick Jordan Memorial Prize for DUX (Sponsored by the OBU) Jeffrey Tang The Edgar Bembrick Memorial Prize for Latin The H A Coss Prize for English The University of Sydney Year 10 Academic Excellence Award (2nd in Year 10) Max Wei **Mathematics** Geography History The P & C Prize for Third (Sponsored by the P & C) Yale Wong **Visual Design** Austin Ly Chinese Science **Architecture & Engineering Drawing** Allen Liao **Visual Arts** Thomas Diep **Design & Technology** Koren Fang Film Andrew Hau German Maximilian Kobras Music **Ennes Mehmedbasic** Drama **Christopher Morrow**

Eric Ovadia

The George Hillary Smith QC Prize for French

Speech Night	
History Elective Combined	Ashwin Rudder
Commerce	Tahmid Shahriyar
Personal Development, Health and Physical Education	Andrew Ye
The A H Pelham Prize for Classical Greek (Sponsored by the OBU)	David Wang
The Peter Walker Award for English Literature	Jordan Saito-Patch
Debating Award	Nakul Bhagwat
YEAR 9	
The J H Killip Prize for DUX Commerce	Gavin Sutton
The P & C Prize for Second (Sponsored by the P & C) Chinese Geography	Ming Chin
The Phillip Seymour Prize for Third French The Jeanette Reay-Young Prize for Latin	William Ho
History The R K Levis Prize for English The Jeanette Reay-Young Prize for Classical Greek	Christopher Chiam
Music The Peter Walker Award for English Literature	Adam Booth
Film Making Visual Design	Kah-Yang Wong
The Macquarie University Prize for Academic Achievement	Abeer Khan
Visual Arts	Lucas Fang
Personal Development, Health and Physical Education	Alexander Hughes

Science Patrick Krakovsky

Mathematics Kenny Lau

German **Andreas Purcal**

History Elective Vivek Shah

Architecture and Engineering Drawing Stephen Trang

Design & Technology William Yuan

Mark Iskandar Drama

Debating Award Tom Connolly

YEAR 8

The F A Elgar Prize for DUX Denny Dien

The P & C Prize for Second (Sponsored by the P & C)

French

The Doris M Gray Prize for Third Jaan Pallandi

Music

Personal Development, Health and Physical Education

Debating Award

English Safat Sufian

History

The Peter Walker Award for English Literature

Jonathan Clements

Mathematics Eric Xu

Science Edwin Li

Classical Greek Albert Chau

German Ken Li

Latin Dominic Mah

Chinese Jeff Peng

Design & Technology Alexander Nguyen

Geography Daniel Tam

Visual Arts Dominic Tran

YEAR 7

The Gordon Barr Memorial Prize for DUX (Sponsored by the OBU)

Henry Feng

The P & C Prize for Second (Sponsored by the P & C)
William Wu

History

The Peter Walker Award for English Literature

The Doris M Gray Prize for Third Sida Wang

Personal Development, Health and Physical Education Jesse Cooper

Mathematics Nathan Wang-Ly

English Joseph Lui

Science Mesbaah Lalee

Music Philip Lam

Geography Riley Irwin

French Michael Yu

German Anes Karahasan

Design & Technology Shawn Noronha

Chinese Samuel Gallagher

Latin Michael Hauser

Visual Arts Gideon Kwok

Debating Award Peter Stephens

AWARDS OF HONOUR AND DISTINCTION

The Best All Rounder Award

Alexander Belokopytov

To a student judged by the School staff as the best all-rounder. The student is selected on the basis of character, sport, scholarship and other activities.

The Robert Outterside Prize

Alexander Belokopytov

Awarded to a Year 12 student who has distinguished himself in Mathematics and Rugby.

The 1958 Merit Award

Thomas Wilson

Awarded to a Year 12 student in just recognition of his sound character and overall performance in studies, sport and other activities.

The P & C Award for Outstanding Contribution to the Senior Concert Band

Thomas Wilson

(Sponsored by the P & C)

Junior Prize for Public Speaking

Khushaal Vyas

Special Prize for Services to the School

Matthew Ling

This prize is awarded annually to student(s) whom the Principal considers has given valuable service to the School. More than one student may receive this award, but it is not usually awarded to Prefects.

The 1977 Year 12 Prize for Excellence

Alasdair Brown

To a student who has excelled in a sporting or other area/s outside school activities.

The Class of 1991 Prize

Johan Santoso

Awarded to a Year 12 student who, over six consecutive years, has contributed consistently in a number of fields to the character and spirit of the school.

The Class of 2001 Prize for Outdoor Education

Denis Stojanovic

Awarded to a student who has demonstrated enthusiasm for and commitment to outdoor education.

The Deputy Principals' Prizes

Clive Chen

Jack Wachsmann

Awarded to students who have given valuable service to the School.

The Geoff Toakley Prize for Excellence in Chess

Dawen Shi

Awarded to a competition chess player who demonstrates skill, talent and respect for the game.

The J & E Saxby Bequest

Christian Jurlina

Awarded to a Year 10 boy who has shown diligence in his studies and has participated in school activities.

The Arch Ferguson Prize (Sponsored by the OBU)

Eamon Kelly (Year 8)

Tejas lyer (Year 9)

Michael Phung (Year 10)

Jack Musgrove (Year 11)

Neil Street (Year 12)

Awarded to sons, grandsons, brothers of Old Boys in Years 8-12 for academic achievements and services to the School.

The J W Gibbes Junior Prize (Sponsored by the OBU)

William Ho

Awarded to a Junior student for proficiency in the Humanities – Classics, English and History – soundness of character and interest in GPS sport.

The J W Gibbes Year 12 Prize (Sponsored by the OBU)

Jeremy Ireland

Awarded to a Year 12 student for proficiency in Latin, qualities of leadership and devotion to duty in relation to GPS sport.

The John Waterhouse Prize (Sponsored by the OBU)

Nelson Ridges

Awarded to the Prefect who has done most in the interests of the School, particularly in the way of keeping the 'esprit de corps' and maintaining a high moral tone.

The Old Boys' Prize (Sponsored by the OBU)

Leonard Teng

Awarded to the student who was 'not necessarily first in sport, not necessarily first in scholarship, but certainly first in the hearts of his fellows'.

The K J Andrews Award

Thomas Nguyen

To a student who contributes willingly and generously across many facets which go to make up the school. Key attributes include leadership, involvement, attitude and sense of pride in the School.

The Le Prix Roger Peyrefitte

Samuel Beston

Awarded to a student in any year who has demonstrated talent in, and enthusiasm for both Litterae (Latin/Greek) and French

The Lennie Basser Award for Scientific Initiative

Matthew Dinh

To a senior student who demonstrated outstanding scientific initiative and leadership in a school based (or sponsored) practical or skill based activity.

The Reuben F Scarf Memorial Prize

James Eriksson

Awarded for consistent effort and desire to improve

The S & P Tzannes Prize Eugene Lee

Awarded to a Year 7 student of sound character, proficient in academic studies, sport and cultural activities.

The recipient should also display a willingness to subordinate his own interests to those of the school and his fellow students.

The Senior Prize for Creativity

Joshua Tassell

Awarded to a Year 12 student in recognition of the outstanding creativity and risk taking evident in their art work.

The Brian Allsop Memorial Prize

Lloyd Perris

Awarded annually since 1989 to an outstanding Junior school sportsman who displays the attributes of sportsmanship, courage and modesty with the proviso that no student can be given this honour on more than one occasion.

The J M and W G Forsyth Memorial Prize

Ben Wilcox

Awarded to a Junior student who is deemed to be outstanding throughout his course and particularly in the year of the Award, in respect of scholarship, sport and School example.

The John Francis Bush Memorial Prize

Justin Chan

Awarded to a Year 11 student for popularity, general character and general proficiency in School and sport.

The Oswald Chapman Memorial Prize

Harrison Lane

To the best all-rounder in Year 12. He is selected on the basis of character, scholarship (should be in the first ten in the year), sport and participation in School activities.

The Peter H Cappe Memorial Prize

Kerrod McPherson

To honour a Year 12 student who has distinguished himself throughout his School career by outstanding achievement and contribution to the School.

The Phil Ainsworth Memorial Prize

Patrick Desmond

Awarded to a Year 12 student who, during his six years, has shown particular commitment to the ideals of the School Motto – 'With Truth and Courage', as evidenced by his proficiency in academic (especially English) cultural and sporting activities.

The Ross Miller Memorial Award

Julian Edgtton

Awarded to a Junior student judged to be the best all-rounder. This Award is given in memory of an Old Boy and teacher in the School.

The Carol Hardy Memorial Prize

Christian Katsikaros

Awarded to a senior student for his contribution to music and other aspects of school life.

The Captain John Fittler Memorial Award

Denis Stojanovic

Awarded to the student who displays unwavering devotion to any cause that serves the ideals and ethos of the School, above and beyond the call of duty.

The Phillip Day Memorial Scholarship

Terence Pham

The Stephen Halliday Memorial Prize

Max Jones

For High spirit; leadership and commitment to sport throughout Years 7 to 9; contribution to community and academic proficiency.

The Michael Goodwin Memorial Prize

Benjamin R Lee

Given in acknowledgement of courage shown in the face of adversity.

The Mitchell A Seow Memorial Prize

Matthew Tong

Awarded to honour a Year 12 student who is a caring friend to all, never lets his friends or team mates down and has the admiration of his peers and teachers alike, putting 100% effort into a diverse range of endeavours.

SYDNEY HIGH CADET UNIT

Most Efficient Cadet Shiraz Biscevic

Most Efficient Junior NCO Alan Low

Most Efficient Senior NCO Samuel Binns

Colonel Duffy Sword of Honour for Most Efficient CUO (sponsored by the OBU)

Denis Stojanovic

The Major General James Norrie Memorial Prize

Jack Wachsmann

Awarded to a member of the cadet unit who demonstrates the highest competency in military skills.

The Australian Defence Leadership and Teamwork Award

Carl Pan (Year 10)

Dale Chen (Year 11)

David Nam (Year 12)

The Regional Director's Award for Student Participation

Justin Chow, Nelson Ridges,

Jeremy Ireland, Johan Santoso, Christian Katsikaros, Denis Stojanovic, Matthew Ling, Jack Wachsmann, Daniel Lo, Thomas Wilson, Mark Lucchitti, Timothy Yu, Thomas Nguyen

Student Award Scheme - The School Trophy

Alasdair Brown, Jason Nguyen, Lachlan Brown,

Kent Nguyen, Sam Burnham, Thomas Nguyen, Justin Chow, Shane Ponraj, Desmond Hi, Nelson Ridges, Simon Hoang, Johan Santoso, Anthony Hopkins, Hayden Schilling, Christian Katsikaros, Avish Sharma, Victor Lam, Michael Sin, Harrison Lane, Timothy Siu, Brian Lau, Leonard Teng, Nicholas Lindeback, Matthew Tong, Matthew Ling, Jack Wachsmann, Maxeem Mikha, Matthew Wong, David Nam, Geoffrey Zhang, Darren Nguyen

Student Award Scheme - The School Plague

Sam Burnham, Jacky Lit, James Eriksson, Ritam Mitra, Matthew Lau, Rohit Shenoy

SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS

The A C McKibbin Memorial Trophy

Kerrod McPherson

For all round excellence in the sport of cricket. This award is given in honour of the Father of an Old Boy of the School.

The John Skyring Cross Memorial Cup for Outstanding Sportsmanship

Kerrod McPherson

(Sponsored by the OBU)

To the boy who has displayed the best sportsmanship throughout the year in connection with GPS activities.

The McArthur Memorial Cup for 1500 Athletics Champion

Jeremy Ireland

The Warrick Segal Memorial Prize for Sportsmanship and Fellowship

Jeremy Ireland

Awarded to the Captain of the First XI Football team.

The Frank Albert Cup for Senior Athletics Champion

Joshua Tassell

Awarded to the senior athletics champion.

The A M Eedy Cup for 100m Athletics Champion

Joshua Tassell

The 'Doc' Bentivoglio Memorial Prize

Max Jones

Awarded to a member of the Junior School for outstanding performance and sportsmanship in Rugby and Rowing.

Most Improved Rower

Vlad Boulavine

Outstanding Contribution to Rowing

Jason Nguyen

Senior Tennis Champion

Derek Trang

The Alan Kippax Trophy for Rugby

Nelson Ridges

Awarded to the most outstanding player in the First XV.

The Claude Tressider Trophy for 100m Breaststroke

Jeffery Jiang

The David Gibb Prize for Soccer

Nicholas Dimitropoulos

Awarded to the best and fairest First XI Football player.

The GPS of NSW OBU Council Prize

Hayden Schilling

Awarded to the student who best exemplifies the qualities of fellowship, commitment and service to GPS sport, in terms of either coaching, managing and/or refereeing.

Speech Night

The Peter Cady Trophy for Rowing Matthew Ling

The Rifle Club Championship Cup Ryan Woo

The SGHS Cup for Games and Sportsmanship Sam Higgins

To the best all round sportsman of Sydney Boys High School.

The Sir Roden Cutler Prize for Sportsmanship, Leadership

Matthew Tong and Commitment to Rifle Shooting

The Tom Rushall Prize for Participation and Service to Sport Christian Katsikaros

For participation in and service to sport.

The UNSW Cricket Club Batting Award Avindu Vithanage

The W W Ivo Wyatt Memorial Trophy for Senior Swimming Jack Musgrove

The William Soothill Memorial Trophy for Basketball Jackson Meaney

The G C Saxby Shield for House Competition McKay

SWIMMING CHAMPIONS

Alexander Belokopytov 14 years Patrick 7hou Open 17 years Jack Musgrove 13 years Dominic Mah (AEO) 16 years Dale Chen Yu Peng Man (AEQ) Max Chien 15 years 12 years Henry Feng

ATHLETICS CHAMPIONS

Open Champion Joshua Tassell 14 years Lloyd Perris 16 years Christopher Morrow 13 years Anton Brokman 15 years Matthew Phung 12 years Joshua Leo

CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONS

Open Champion Matthew Ling

17 years Harrison Lane 14 years Lloyd Perris 16 years Samuel Lane 13 years Anton Brokman 15 years Adam Booth Joshua Leo 12 years

SPORTS BLUES

Athletics

Christopher Morrow

Basketball

Jackson Meaney

Cricket

Kerrod McPherson

Football

Nicholas Dimitropoulos Jeremy Ireland Antony Paul

Speech Night

Rifle Shooting

Nevin Spoljaric Ryan Woo

Sailing

Phillip Kurts

Volleyball

Merlin Li Christopher Morrow Balraj Ougra

AWARD CITATIONS

1958 Merit Award: Awarded to a Year 12 student in just recognition of his sound character and overall performance in studies, sport and other activities. (It was the intention of the Class of 1958 that the recipient should have figured prominently in the consideration for a number of other awards without receiving any of them).

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The Class of 2001 Prize for Outdoor Education: In recognition of a student who has demonstrated enthusiasm for and commitment to outdoor education. The aim of the prize is to aid the student tin achieving success in the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme.

The Brian Allsop Memorial Prize: Awarded annually since 1989 to an outstanding Junior School sportsman who displays the attributes of sportsmanship, courage and modesty with the proviso that no student can be given this honour on more than one occasion.

The Caltex Best All Rounder Award: Presented to a student judged by the School staff as the best all-rounder. The student is selected on the basis of character, sport, scholarship and other activities.

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The Headmaster's Award for Outstanding Achievement in the Arts: Awarded since 1993 for a significant contribution to the Arts, not necessarily within the School and whose art work or performance has been selected for Art Express or Encore.

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James Brunton Gibb Prize for Public Speaking: Awarded to a Year 12 student who excels in the art of public speaking.

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The Lionel Foucaud Prize: Awarded to the first placed student in French Extension to honour and expand the study of the French language by people around the world.

The Michael Goodwin Memorial Prize: Given in acknowledgement of courage shown in the face of adversity.

The Mitchell A. Seow Memorial Prize: Awarded to honour a Year 12 student who is a caring friend to all, never lets his friends or team mates down and has the admiration of his peers and teachers alike, putting 100% effort into a diverse range of endeavours.

The Old Boys' Prize: Awarded since 1902 to the student who was 'not necessarily first in sport, not necessarily first in scholarship, but certainly first in the hearts of his fellows.' The criteria were originally used by the Hon J Inglis, Minister for Education in 1887, when he visited Sydney High and presented a book.

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Senior Prize for Creativity: To a Year 12 student in recognition of the outstanding creativity and rtisk taking evident in their art work

The Special Staff Prize: Awarded to a student for the consistent generous sacrifice of time and invaluable contribution to the School.

Remembrance Day Address 2009

At this time and on this day 91 years ago came an end to some of the most horrific bloodshed in human history. Of the tens of millions of soldiers who fought in WW1 only a small number now remain. Time does not stop to remember them, which is why we must.

Today we commemorate the sacrifice and devotion of all Australians who served in all Wars. We remember, we give thanks, we move on. It is this ability to move on, with our lives, with our everyday concerns, without the fear of oppression and without the faintest shadow of sacrifice for which we are thankful. We owe this to those among us who take it upon themselves to ensure we need never suffer as they do.

For more than a century in times of trouble, completely average Australians have given themselves over to something greater. In doing so they proved themselves to be far beyond average. On the shores of Galipoli, in the mud of Flanders, in the mountains of New Guinea and in the deserts of North Africa, average Australians gave what Truman called "The last full measure of devotion." Not only did they commit their bodies to their ideals, but their lives.

We struggle to comprehend why people living comfortable lives and in no immediate threat or danger should travel half way across the world to fight and to die. Perhaps it's a calling of the times, perhaps it's a sense of unspoken duty to the humanity of others. But whatever the calling, it is the immutable sense of right and wrong; of justice and of responsibility that has been at the heart of every sacrifice made by our troops.

In our remembering we must take care to avoid glorifying war and death. We do not go to war for glory but for a more enduring peace. *N'oublions jamais l'Australie*, Never forget Australia, is inscribed in every classroom of Villers Bretonneux. That is why

we fight. For a peace that survives long after we fade away. For a peace that is embodied in classrooms and mundane life half a world away. May it live on forever.

As I wrote this speech the question came to me time and time again: would I do the same? Could any one of us conjure that strength of spirit and conviction to risk their life for an ideal and for a peace we may never see? I am somewhat ashamed to admit that I could not find an unequivocal "yes," in myself or us all. I look out and see people of the same age as those who fought in WW1, but I cannot see any of us as a soldier.

Are we that different to those who came before us? I would like to think not. I would like to think that from this place 92 years ago it would have been just as hard to imagine a sea of students as a sea of soldiers. Maybe when war threatens and tyranny and injustice start to spread we may change, but I pray we never need find out.

We must fight against the inevitable march of time and seek always to remember the sacrifices of those who have gone before us. If we don't we shall make the same mistakes as those before us and the lives lost for that enduring peace will have been in vain.

For all those who died in the service of this country: let us remember that they stood for the right to stand for something; that they died for the right to die for something; and that in their shadow we live for the right to live for something.

As Australians, each and every one of us owes it to their memory and to their sacrifice to lend voice to what is right; to never take as given our rights and our freedom; and to never forget the sacrifices they made on our behalf.

Lest We Forget.

Max Phillis

ANZAC Day Assembly

Distinguished guests, Old Boys, staff and students, welcome to High's Anzac Day Assembly. I want to acknowledge the Gadigal people of the Eora nation. the traditional custodians of this land and their elders, past and present. I acknowledge this morning the Presidents or Secretaries of the six RSL Sub-Branches who have honoured our Assembly today. Thank you to regulars, Bill Harrigan and Vic Thatcher, celebrating the occasion with us again. We have with us this morning as usual numerous Old Boy veterans, amongst them Major General Kevin Latchford, Air Vice Marshall Russell Law, Commodore Ian Callaway and Colonels Michael Bindley and Thomas Fuller. Thank you for all for coming on a school day which is the closest day to Anzac Day that our assembly has been held this century.

On this occasion it is timely to reflect on Australia's contribution to the maintenance of world peace through pre-emptive military campaigns and peace keeping operations conducted by the United Nations. Our soldiers continue to be deployed in Iraq, Afghanistan and East Timor. Since this occasion last year, sadly, I find it difficult to detect much progress towards the avowed aim of the coalition to make the world safer by neutralising Al Qeida training bases and breaking up terrorist cells. Terrorist plots have been averted domestically but it is still cold comfort that so many serious terrorist acts have been committed internationally. Their frequency and intensity do not seem to have diminished despite various troop surges and policy changes. Pakistan has tried really hard this year to address its problem of terrorist bases on its soil, particularly in the Swat valley. The outcome of that campaign still hangs in the balance. Winning hearts and minds has proven to be much more challenging to the Coalition than planning and conducting successful military campaigns in the Middle East.

Later today we will unveil an honour board commemorating the service of more than 50 High Old Boys in the Vietnam War, several of whom are here today. I am sure this list is far from complete. Vietnam, a complex conflict, is starting to be discussed more freely and unemotionally, so the service of our soldiers in that theatre of war is now becoming more properly recognised. We can feel proud of what attributes and values they modelled in the name of their country. It is past time that the reputations of the servicemen in that lamentable

conflict were restored, irrespective of the aims or character of the war itself.

Anzac Day has become a unique national civic ceremony. Australians celebrate it at home or at Gallipoli or Kokoda. For the second time many Australians will be at the Australian National Memorial in Villers-Bretonneux, including our touring band of 50. Our students will be playing at the Anzac Day service there.

Anzac Day is arguably the most significant, and certainly the purist, expression of Australian nationalism. Our broadened focus in terms of service across time and place, coupled with our desire to connect with multicultural and international perspectives, signifies, in my judgement, a maturing nation, steadier in its self-concept. As Australians we no longer have to force the ANZAC contribution to World War 1 to the forefront of remembrance discourse. We are comfortable enough now to place it in its proper perspective within an engulfing conflict.

One such expression of a broadening view is the current movie Beneath Hill 60. The context of that snapshot of World War 1 was the mining of Messines ridge. In 1917, Haig was allowed to launch the offensive which came to be known as the Third Ypres, or Passchendaele. He wanted to control the sickle-shaped ridges around Ypres. His first step was to capture the ridge and village at the handle of the sickle - Messines. Sir Herbert Plumer's second army, including Godley's II Anzac Corps and Monash's 3rd division, was to be used. Plumer had a great planner in Monash and after two years on the Ypres salient he had learned that artillery had to be concentrated, that creeping barrages were necessary to protect infantry and that counter artillery planning was very helpful in offensives. Plumer deployed 2200 pieces of artillery on a 16 kilometre front. Since 1915, tunnellers had constructed more than twenty galleries in the Flemish mud, some nearly 700 metres long and up to 30 metres deep, into which they loaded 400,000 tonnes of high explosives.

On June 7 at 3:10 am nineteen mines exploded over a 45 second interval. Hill 60 was well to the north of the Anzac Corps position. It was the largest man made explosion in history, hear as far away as London. An estimated 10,000 Germans died. Many were demoralised as the attack by 80,000 troops

began. The German frontline was overrun within thirty-five minutes. During the day's fighting that followed, the ridge, the slopes behind it and the fortified villages, and the Oosttaverne Line were all taken. No British attack of the First World War succeeded so well on the first day. The immense explosion, as portrayed in part by the story of Hill 60, played a major role in that success.

Such accounts of war are retold on these occasions to emphasise the awful impartiality of the circumstances of loss of individual lives that occurs in war. We need to remember that people on both sides did their duty and what a sacrifice that was for so many. Consider them on April, 25.

Dr K. A Jaggar

Foundation Day Address 2010

Special guests, Old Boy Order of Australia Medallists, Members, Officers or Companions, former school Captains and Prefects, Prefect Internees, School Family representatives, parents, staff and students – welcome to our 127th Foundation Day Assembly. This occasion celebrates the foundation of public secondary schools in 1883 as institutions preparing students for tertiary study. Our school was established for that purpose. That ideal has remained as the key focus of the school. On this day we also celebrate leadership and its renewal as our latest group of Prefect Internees are sworn in. The Prefects change but the office and the importance of being High Prefects remain.

Today I want to offer a particular welcome to Mark Wieland (School Captain, 1980). I know he will feel at home. After all, back in 1980 he would have encountered many people who are still at High today. He may have witnessed Mr Boros coaching the 15 years tennis, or Mr Michael Smith, Mr Gainford or Mr Moody coaching the 13A, 13B rugby or 16 B



rugby. Mr Kourtesis was teaching mathematics and coaching the 3rd and 4th cricket teams and Mr Farrington was coaching first grade basketball. In 1980 there were three platoons of cadets, commanded by Captain Gainford. In the Office there was a staff of eleven and a School Bursar! It would be terrific if that office had been maintained! As always, the strength of High has been in its people – in their devotion to the aims of the school over long periods of time.

Mark represented High in the first VIII for three years and was awarded a Rowing Blue in 1979. He was Open Swimming Champion in 1980, winning seven events. He represented in athletics and rugby in the first XV where he was coached by Rugby Master Tony Hannon and played alongside current PE teacher David Smith, John Croll, Rob Fetherston and John McGrath who wrote up the season report for The Record. In the 1980 season the first XV had one point wins on their way to victory as CHS Zone Premiers. In the GPS season, after narrow losses to Kings, Grammar and Joeys, the team won their last four games. In 1980 there were 6 Open Rugby teams and 2 football teams playing in CHS competition. In 2010 there were 2 Open Rugby teams and 8 football teams, reflecting a changed clientele in sport. Nevertheless, the school's ethos has remained unchanged. High is as committed as it ever was to competing in the GPS competition. It is unique in being the only school that competes in all of the sports organised by GPS schools.

High has always been about upholding tradition and embracing change. In 1980, as today, High has been underpinned by its academic selectivity, its GPS membership and "its distinctive brand of community involvement". High has always had to struggle to maintain its access to facilities for GPS competition. It has always relied on its parents and Old Boys to acquire assets. In 1980, the Headmaster

Bob Outterside, was campaigning to get the school a new library. He was also lobbying the Minister for Sport, Recreation and Tourism for funds to refurbish the Fairland Pavilion. These are familiar themes for me as in the generation since 1980 government funding for this school's renewal has not been forthcoming despite many attempts by three successive Heads to secure it. High has always believed in self-help too. In 1980 serious fundraising was underway for the Centenary Project, the refurbishment of the Abbotsford Rowing Facility. Then, as now, fund raising was difficult in a context where competitive entry limited intergenerational enrolment. The first and second stages of that building were completed by the mid-1990s, due to the untiring efforts of staff, parents and school community organisations. We are engaged in a similar long term struggle to raise funds for a Multi Purpose Centre for Performing Arts. I remain optimistic that the High community has the resilience, the sense of civic duty and the resolve to persevere until it can create new facilities for generations of gifted students to enjoy.

Our School Prefect Internees are inducted today to represent the high ideals of the school. They were the first to be presented and elected online. Our expectations of them are onerous. They need to showcase the best that the school has to offer in dress, manners, commitment to school life, discipline in academics and service to the school and community. They have different backgrounds, interests and talents, reflecting the wonderful diversity that co-exists so harmoniously in this

school. Prefects are allies of the staff in that they help to make things happen – assemblies, school events, sporting occasions, public ceremonies, representational duties or celebrations. We count on them to assist us. They are the role models we endorse for junior boys to aspire to emulate. They have to earn the badges that they will be presented with in 2011, once they successfully complete their internship.

After today's assembly we are also honouring the leadership and service of Old Boys in the Order of Australia honours system. This year we are celebrating Old Boy Officers of the Order of Australia with an honour board. The award of Officer of the Order of Australia is reserved for "distinguished service of a high degree to Australia or humanity at large". There are forty-three names on the new board we are unveiling today. This is the third in our series of honour boards for the Order of Australia. There are now ninety names on the Member honour boards to accompany the sixty-two names on the Medallist honour board. These boards connect our present emphasis on school and community service to High Old Boys whose careers after school served the wider community in a celebrated manner.

I want to congratulate all the Prefects who were elected. I urge them to reflect on the oath that they are about to swear and exhort them to maintain and enhance the moral values of the school that were so apparent in 1980 and are in evidence to a high degree today.

Dr K.A Jaggar



Salvete

The following boys have joined the school since the end of 2009.

Class 7E

ARUDSELVAN Supan, AVUDAINAYAGAM Vishnu, BANG David, CHAN Matthew, CHANDRASEKARAN Ganeshmoorthy, DANG Benjamin, DANG Kevin Wu, HAIDAR Nader, HAN Andrew, HOAD Luke, HOSSAIN Alexander, HUANG David, HUYEN Louis, HUYNH Anthony, KHONDAKER Alif, LAI Ian, LIAN James, LIN Kelvin, McKENNA Sean, MURUGANANTHAN Varunan, PULAPAKA Shreyas, ROBINSON Kevin, SAHA Rick, SHANKAR Gautham, SO Alex, SURA Raunak, TINKER James, TRAN Justin, WANG York, ZHUANG Bill.

Class 7F

CHANG William, CHEN Li Fang, DAI Raycole, DONG Yao Jie (Jacky), DU William, HE Dominic, HOANG Nguyen, HUANG Jason Rui, HUANG Keller, JIANG Alex, JIANG Bennette, JIANG Chen Hua, JUN Michael, JUNG Ji Min, LE Eric, LEE Chris, LI Jing, LIN Rolland, LIN Victor, LU [F] Kevin, MAI Philip, NGUYEN Martin, NGUYEN Timothy Tin, NI Kevin Zihong, SZET Kenneth, YU Paul, ZHANG Alan, ZHOU Calvin, ZHOU lan, ZHU Hofmann.

Class 7M

ALLINGHAM Anthony, ARVIND Sudarshan, BETBEDER-MATIBET Marc, CHEW Jonathan, CHIN Jaiden, CHOW William, FU Ben, HAO Richard, HUNG Zachary, HUYNH Lachlan, KAMALASURIYA Sandaru, LE Newton, LEE Bryan, LI Shane Shangxuan, LIN Jason, LIU Mike, LU [M] Kevin, MAO Chi, NAKAMURA Kazuo, NAM Andrew, NG Matthew, NGUYEN Timothy Hoang, NIXON Jesse, TAING Anthony, TAN Anthony, WONG Ki On Alex, WU Edward, WU Madison, ZHOU Yilun.

Class 7R

BAI Gary, BEARE William Wesley, CHAMBERS Keith Li, CHEN William, CHIANG Desmond, DENG Bohan, GEORGE Thomas, HUANG Chris, JIN Kevin, KAWAHASHI Ryo, KE Kevin, LAU Kelvin, LIANG Kelvin, LIANG Kevin, LIU Yisheng, LU Jia Teng, MAH Leonard, MOSTAFA Niyaz, NADIR Adilmorad, NGUYEN Benjamin, NOSSAR Dimitri, PARK Jun,

TRAN Johnson, WANG Chen Yu, WU Angus, WU Jonathan, XU Sunny, YAN Angelo, ZHANG Samuel, ZHOU David.

Class 7S

AHN Daniel, CHAN Brian, CHANG Terry, CHEN Daniel, CHEN Yu-Fan, GORDON Dexter, HE Gary, HOSSAIN Tahmeed, HUANG Gorden, HUANG Hardy, KING Phillip, LAM Andy, LAM Martin, LI Richard, LIM Jason, LIU Hua Jun, MO Brian, NGO Stephen, SI Stanley, SIU Michael, TAN Jin Hang, TRAN Bosco, TRAN Timothy, WANG Daniel, WANG Eddy, YE Louis, YIP Jonathan, ZHANG Sheng An, ZHAO Beisi, ZHOU Jimmy.

Class 7T

BANH William, BARI Niyazul, CHEN Garry, CHEN Kai Hao, GAO Victor, HAN Evan, HASLAM Daniel, HUSSAINI Ibrahim, JOSEPH Renjith, LIANG Garwerd, LU Andrew, LUO Yi Dong, MALOOF Joshua, MORSHED Alvee, NARULA Aashray, NASSIF Thomas, SETHI Tarun Shyam, TAING Darren, TJAHJOKUSUMO Jason, TRAN Joshua, TSEU-TJOA Oliver, VO Julian, WANG Carl Yi, WANG Shuxiang, XU Vincent, YANG Carl, YANG Jeremy, ZHANG Jonathan, ZHANG Tyson, ZHOU Jack.

Year 9

CHAN James, CHANG William, CHIEN Darren, FRANCE Nicholas, GHEZELBASH Dennis, GU Howjer, JONES Louis, JOSEPH Anoj, LI Jerry, MAI Han Lin, MERONI Oliver, PEREIRA Alexander, PHAM Terence, RABONE Hayden, RYNSAARDT Patrick, TANG Nelson, THAYALAN Visakan, THOM Aidan, THUSHYANTHAN Shivaangar, WANG Austin, XU Johnson, ZHANG Junhao.

Year 10

CHUNG Lawlex, DAY Lachlan, MAHAJAN Rohan, REN Jonathan.

Year 11

ABDOLLAHI Arman, DUMOVIC Andrija, KANAGARATNAM Anosh, KHOO Samuel, LEUNG Gordon, LOMOV Nikita, OH Daniel, TOROK Francis.

Year 12

SUTTON David.

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Abbreviations

ACO: Australian Chemistry Olympiad

AIMO: Australian Intermediate Mathematics Olympiad

AMC: Australian Mathematics Competition AMPEC: AMP Economics Competition APO: Australian Physics Olympiad

ASCSC: Australian Schools Computer Studies Competition

ASEC: Australian Schools English Competition ASMC: Australian Schools Maths Competition ASSC: Australian Schools Science Competition ASWC: Australian Schools Writing Competition

BSC: Business Studies Competition

D: Distinction

GC: Geography Competition

HD: High Distinction

ACLIS John: Chess Club (06), Photography Club (08-09); Circus Troupe (09), Drama Ensemble (09); Debating (05-10): Public Speaking (05-10): Sydney Boys High School Bronze Medallion (05); Sydney Boys High School Silver Medallion (06); Sydney Boys High School Gold Medallion (07); Sydney Boys High School Platinum Medallion (08); Sydney Boys High School Plague (09) Junior Public Speaker of the Year (06); House badge (08); ICAS - Science (D 06); ICAS -Writing (D 07-09); AMC (D 08); Member of winning team GPS Premiership - Rifle Shooting (09); John Fraser Prize for Highest Snap Score at GPS; Janelle Best Memorial Debating Competition (06); Premiers Debating Challenge 1st in Sydney Region (06); Premiers Debating Challenge 5th in Sydney Region (07); 3rd in Eastern Suburbs Public Speaking Competition (05,09); 2nd in Rostrum Voice of Youth Speaking Competition (10); GPS Rifle Shooting (06-10); 1st grade - Rifle Shooting (09-10) 2nd grade -Rifle Shooting (08) Vice-Captain of Rifles (10): West Wallsend 2nd and 3rd - C grade; Fencing (05-07); Fundraising for Daffodil Day, Fundraising for White Ribbon Day, Sir Roden Cutler Charity Day; Writer.

ALI Shadman: Unternehmergeist Society (10); School Plaque (09); Australian Geography Competition (HD 05, D 06); Cross Country Champion (05); GPS U/15 100m Champion (08); Rugby (06-10); Athletics (05-10); Junior Athletics Captain (08); CHS Athletics (05-06); Cricket (05-07); Soccer (05).

AMBROSE Michael: Bronze Medallion (2005), Silver Medallion (2006), Gold Medallion (2007) Platinum Award (2008) School Plaque (2009); Rugby (05-10),

ICB: Intermediate Concert Band ISB: Intermediate Stage Band

JCB: Junior Concert Band JSB: Junior Stage Band

MCYA: Mathematics Challenge for Young Australians

MCS: Maths Challenge Stage NCQ: National Chemistry Quiz SCB: Senior Concert Band

SRC: Student Representative Council (School Union)

SSB: Senior Stage Band

SWE: Symphonic Wind Ensemble TCB: Training Concert Band

UNSWMC: UNSW Maths Competition

YA: Young Achievers

Rowing (05-10), CHS Open Mens VIII Champions (2010), CHS U16 Mens Quad Champions, NSW U19 Lightweight IV Sprint Champion (09-10), NSW U19 Lightweight Quad Sprint Champion (09-10), Cricket (05, 10), Skiing (06-10), Co-Captain Skiing (10); Boggabilla Cultural Exchange (05-10), Close the Gap Seminar (08).

AYLMER Liam: (2006-2010): CSC (09-10);Tournament of the Minds (06); Duke of Edinburgh Group (08-09); SCB (06-10); SSB (08-10); Symphony Orchestra (06-08); Marching Band (07-09); Debating (06-08); Drama (07); German (08-09); School Plague (09); School Trophy (10); PwC Australian Economics Competition (Prize 09-10); ACER German (Perfect Score 08, HD 07,09); ICAS - Writing (D 09); ICAS -English (HD 09, D 07-08); ICAS - Computer Studies (D 06); ICAS - Science (HD 06,08); NCQ (HD 07); AMC (HD 09, D 06); Australian Geography Quiz (HD 07, D 08); Music Pocket; Music Ensemble Commitment Awards (06-08); Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Medallion (09); Cricket (06-10); Rugby (07-08); Football (06, 09-10); Football Referee (08-10); Jeans for Genes Day; Daffodil Day; Sir Roden Cutler Day; Oasis Charities Day; Solicitor; Diplomat.

BASTABLE Jimari: (2010-2010): High Resolves Club (07-08); ICAS – Writing (D 06); ICAS – Computer Studies (D 07); ICAS – Science (D 08-09); ICAS – Geography (D 08); BSC (Prize 09); Indigenous Deadly Award (09); Cricket (05-08); Captain 15B's Cricket (07); Rugby (05-07); Fundraising for Sir Roden Cutler Day; Lawyer.

BAWEJA Puneet: Guitar Ensemble (07-08);

Debating (05-10); 2nd Grade (09); Winner of Sydney Schools Eastside Regional Debating Competition (07, 09 & 10); Winner of Janene Best Memorial debating Competition (06); Winner of Sydney Final of the Premiere's Debating Challenge (06); Dux of Science (06): School Plague (09): AMC (D 05): AMPEC (D 09); ICAS - Science (HD 05; D 06; D 07; D 08; D 10); ICAS - Writing (HD 06; HD 07; D 09); ICAS - English (D 07; D 08); National Geographic Australian Geography Competition (HD 08); NCQ (HD 05; D 08; HD 09); 3rd place finish in the Knox Grammar Da Vinci Decathlon (08); Rowing (05-09); Stroke of 3rd IV(09); Football (05-10); Cricket (10); Daffodil Day; Jeans for Genes Day; White Ribbon Day; Oasis; Sir Roden Cutler Charities; Financial Planner or Engineer.

BI Richard: Guitar Ensemble (2005-2008); School Plaque (08); German (06); AMC HD (2005, 2008); ICAS Geography HD (2006); ICAS Computer Studies HD (2006); Roden Cutler Prize for Rifle Shooting; Music Pocket; Volleyball (2005); Tennis (2005-2009); Grade Tennis (2008-2009); Grade Tennis (2008-2009); Grade Tennis (2009); Oasis Charities (2010); Director.

BISCEVIC Shiraz: (2009-2010): Sydney High School Cadet Unit (2009-2010); Cadet non-commissioned officer (2010); Community Services Committee (2009-2010); Community Service Executive Committee (2010); First in Studies of Religion (2009); Most efficient cadet (2009); Basketball (2009-2010); Second grade Raschke cup winners (2009); Rugby (2009); Volleyball (2010); Volleyball premiers (2010); GPS Athletics (2009); Athletics assistant (2009); Jeans for Genes (2010); Stewart House BBQ (2010); Red Cross Blood Donor (2010); Oasis BBQ (2010); Lak Saviya BBQ (2010); Boggabilla BBQ (2010.

BOULAVINE Vlad: Guitar Ensemble (05-06); Debating (05-07); Bronze Medallion (08); Silver Medallion (09); Gold Medallion (09); Platinum Medallion (10); Nat Geo Australian Comp (HD 06, D 05,08); ICAS - Science (D 06,08); ICAS - Computer Studies (D 08); Most Improved Player - Volleyball (05); 13 Years Cross-Country Champion (06); Most Improved Rower (09); 2008 CHS 15 Years Quad Scull (Gold); 2010 CHS Championship Mens VIII (Gold); 2010 CHS Championship Mens Coxless Quad Scull (Silver); 2010 CHS Championship Mens Pair (Bronze); 2010 N.S.W.R.A. Sprint Championships Mens Under 17 Double Scull (Silver); 2010 N.S.W.R.A. Sprint Championships Mens Under 21 Coxless Quad Scull (Bronze); Volleyball (05-09); Rowing (05-10); 1st VIII (09-10); 1st VIII Stroke (10); 1st Grade Cross Country (10); Zone Cross Country (06-10); Regional Cross Country (06-10); Zone Athletics - Javelin (07); Lak Saviya Foundation; Roden Cutler Charity; Mechanical Engineer.

BRAVERMAN Joseph: Guitar Ensemble (05-08); Debating (05-06); Visual Arts (06); AMC (D 05,10); NCQ (D 09); ICAS - English (HD 05; D 07,09); ICAS - Writing (09); ICAS - Science (HD 08; D 06); National Geographic Australian Geography Competition (D 08); ICAS - Computer Studies (D 06-07); Assessment of Language Competence – German (07-08); Basketball (05-10); Football (05-10); 2nd Grade Football (10).

BROKMAN Andre: (2007-2010): Recycling Committee (08); Community Services Committee (07-10); Tournament of the Minds Team (08); Da Vinci Decathlon (08); School Photographer (09); Amnesty International (07-08), Gardening (07).; School Orchestra (07-10); Senior String Ensemble (07-10); Chamber Choir (07-09); Concert Master School Orchestra (10); Leader Senior String Ensemble (07-10); Solo for Chinese New Year Dinner (08); Solo for Spring Music Festival (08); Solo for Multicultural Festival (09); NSW Combined Selective Schools Orchestra (08); GPS Symphony Orchestra (07); Schools Spectacular Orchestra (08), NSW Performing Arts Unit Symphony Orchestra (08).; Debating (07-09); Music 2 (08-9); German (10); Silver (07); Gold (08); Platinum (09); School Plaque (10), Academic Merit List (08); Best Musician Symphony Orchestra (09); Best Musician (08).; ICAS Geography (HD 08-10); ICAS - Writing (D 07-08); ICAS English (D 07-08); ICAS - Computer Studies (D 07); ICAS - Science (D 08).; Music Pocket (10); Junior Poetry Prize (07); HSC Music 2 Composition Encore nomination (09); SAGSE German Scholarship (09).; Soccer (09-10).; Jeans for Genes Day (08); Community Services Boggabilla BBQ (10); Community Services Oasis BBQ (10).; Architect; Musician.

CABANILLA Brandon: Community Service Committee (08-10); Junior Stage Band (05-06); Debating (2005); Platinum Medallion; AMC (D 05-07,09); NCQ (D 09); ICAS - Science (D 05-08); ICAS Computer Studies (D 05-06,08); 1st Grade Water Polo (10); Football (05-09); Basketball (05-08); Roden Cutler Foundation.

CHAN Gareth: ICB (05-07); SCB (08); P&C Prize for Second (05); First Geography (06); First German (06); NCQ (HD 05; D 06); ICAS - Science (HD 06; D 07, 09); MCS (D 06); AMPEC (D 08); AMC (D 06-08); ICAS-

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English (D 05-06); ICAS- Writing (D 06, 08); MCYA (D 06); Volleyball (06-08); Sir Roden Cutler's Charities; Veterinarian.

CHAN Justin: SCB (07-10); Symphony Orchestra (07-10); SSB (07-09); Marching Band (07-09); Debating (05-10): 2nd Grade (09-10): Hume Barbour Champions (10): Karl Cramp Champions (09): Joe Suttie Award for Excellence in Team Work (07-08); Year 12 Eastside Debating Champions (09); Senior B Friday Evening Debating Champions (09); The John Francis Bush Memorial Prize (09): The Peter Walker Prize for Literature (08); Second Overall (07); Geography (05); School Bronze (05); Silver (06); Gold (07); Platinum (08); Plaque (09); Trophy (10); AMC (HD 05,08; D 09); ICAS - Writing (HD 07); ICAS -Science (HD 05, 08; D 06); ICAS - Geography (HD 07; D 08); ICAS - English (D 07); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 05-08); NCQ (D 05, 07-08); MCYA - MCS (HD 07; D 08); MCYA - Maths Enrichment Stage (HD 08; D 07); Music Pocket: Rugby (05-08): Football (09-10): Tennis (05-10); Sir Roden Cutler Charities (09); Musician; Comedian.

CHAU Clarence: ICAS - Mathematics (D 2005); Basketball (2005); Sir Roden Cutler Charity (2009); Engineer.

CHAWLA Angud: Youth Forum (09); ISB (08); 'Fast and Fresh' Stage Production (08); St George Brass Band (05-10); Bandmanship Award (06);Metropolitan Band Championships Under 15 Duet winner (07); 2nd place Western Band Brand Solo Championships (2008);Metropolitan Championships Under 15's (2006); Debating (05-10); 2nd Grade (09-10); 2nd Grade Captain (10); 2nd Grade CHS Debating Team (10); Eastside Debating Trophy winning team (09); Karl Cramp Trophy winning team (09); Hume Barbour Trophy winning team (10); Silver (06); Gold (07); Platinum (08); Plaque (09); 1st in drama (08); 1st in ASX Sharemarket Exercise (08); AMC (D 08); ICAS-Science (HD 08; D 07-08); ICAS-Computer Studies (D 06); Australasian Schools Science Competition (D 05); National Geographical Australian GC (HD 06); House Badge (08); Sailing (05); Cricket (06-10); 4th XI Bowling Award (09-10); Football (05-10); Roden Cutler Charities (09); Oasis charities (10); Parking (05-10).

CHEN Barry: Third Mathematics (05); School Plaque (09); AMC (HD 06-09); AGC (HD 08; D 07); BSC (PRIZE 09); EC (HD 09); ICAS - Writing (D 07); ICAS - English (D 06 & 09); ICAS - Computer Studies (D 07); ICAS - Science (05-09); NCQ (HD 05; D 06 & 08); Basketball (05-10); Rugby (05-09) 2nd XV (09); Athletics (06-09);

Sir Roden Cutler Charities (09); Portfolio Manager.

CHEUNG Brendan: Chess (2005); Symphony Orchestra (2005-10); Senior Strings (2005-07); AMC (D 05); AMC (HD 2009); ICAS (HD 2007); ICAS(D 2009); Basketball (05-10); Football (05-06); Volleyball (07-10); Captain 2nd Grade Volleyball (08-10); Daffodil Day Collector (08); 40 Hour Famine (09); Red Cross Blood Drive (09-10); Lawyer.

CHIEM Andy: Dux of Mathematics (08); AMC (P 08, HD 05-07); ICAS - Science (HD 08); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 07); 1st Grade Waterpolo (09-10); CHS Waterpolo (10); Volleyball (10); Soccer (05-09); Tennis (07-08); Basketball (05); Daffodil Day; Jeans for Genes Day; Legacy Day; Sir Roden Cutler Charity; OASIS; Australian Red Cross; Engineer.

DARCY Sam: Drama Gala Performance (07).; First Digital Imaging (09).; ICAS - Writing (D 08).; What Matters Sydney Morning Herald Competition (05); CHS Rowing Silver Medallion (08); Andrew Ogborne Coach's Award (08); Down-Under Bowl Silver Medallion (08); Sydney University Offensive Player of the Year (09); State Championship Game MVP (09); Gridiron Australia Junior National Champion (09); Sydney University Gridiron MVP (2010).; Stroke 1st Quad Rowing (05-07); Football (05); Rugby (06-07); GPS Athletics Finalist (09); Sydney University Gridiron (07-10); Gridiron NSW Wolverines (08-10); International Junior Outback Australian Gridiron Squad (10).; Red Cross Blood Drive (10); Film-Maker.

DEACON Gareth: Boggabilla Cultural Exchange (05-09); JCB (05); JSB (05-06); SCB (06-07); SSB (07); Marching Band (06-07); School Plaque (09); AMC (D 05, 07-08); National Geographic Australian Geography Competition (HD 08; D 05); UNSW English Competition (D 06); AMPEC (HD 09); Rowing (05-10); Junior Captain of Boats (08); 2nd VIII (09); 1st VIII (10); CHS Rowing Champions (10); NSW Sprints Regatta Champions; Rugby (05-10); 2nd XV (09) 1st XV (10); Athletics (10); Sir Roden Cutler Charities (09).

DENNY-SMITH George: Charities Committee (06); JCB (05-06); JSB (05-06); School Plaque (09); 'Doc' Bentivoglio Memorial Prize (08); Arch Ferguson Prize (06); ICAS - Science (HD 08); ICAS - English (D 08); AMC (D 05-06); Rowing (05-08); 1st Yr 10 VIII (Stroke)(08); Rugby (05-10); 1st XV (09-10); Captain 1st XV (10); Investec Rugby 7's Schoolboys Tournament (10); NSW CHS 3rd XV (10); Captain NSW CHS 3rd XV (10); Athletics (05-10); GPS Athletics Finals Team (08-10); CHS Area Athletics (08); Fundraising for Sir Roden Cutler Charities; OASIS.

DING Jason: Community Services (09), Amnesty International (10); Debating (05); AMC- (HD 09, D 07 & 08, 10), ICAS-Writing (D 09), ICAS-English (07-08); Finalist of UNSW Invitational Debating Tournament (2007), Senior First Aid (2009); Football (2005-2010), Basketball (2005), Table Tennis (2008); 40 hour famine, Jeans for Genes Day, Oasis, Sir Roden Cutler Fundraising, Daffodil Day, Red Cross Blood Drive Donor, Legacy Day; Doctor.

DO Daniel: (2009-2010): ICAS - English (D 09); PwC Australian Economics Competition (HD 09); 1st Grade Water Polo (10); 2nd XV (10); Sir Roden Cutler Charities (09): Oasis Charities (10): Commerce.

DU Jonathan: Junior Strings Ensemble (05-06); Choir (05-06); Symphony Orchestra (06); AMC(D 05, 07); ICAS- Writing (06); Best Musician- Junior Strings Ensemble (05); Basketball (05-08); Sir Roden Cutler Charities Wheelchair Roll; Doctor.

EDGTTON Dominic: (2007-2010): JCB(07); JSB(07); ICB(08-09); ISB(08-09); MB (07-08); Debating(07); Silver Medallion(07); Gold Medallion(08); Platinum Medallion(09); ICAS - Science (HD 08-09, D 05 & 07); ICAS - Writing (D 07); AMC (D 08-09); Eedy House Badge (09); NSW CHS Rugby Tournament Plate Winners (10); 1st Place NSW CHS Championship Eight (10); 2nd Place NSW CHS Championship Coxless Quad Scull (10); Finalist NSW CHS Championship Double Scull (10); 2nd Place NSW Sprint Championship U19 Coxless Quad Scull (10); 3rd Place NSW Sprint Championship U21 Coxless Quad Scull (10); 3rd Place NSW Sprint Championship U19 Coxed Four (10); Intermediate Concert Band Most Improved (07); Intermediate Stage Band Most Improved (08); Skiing (09); Rowing (08-10); 1st Year 10 VIII (08); 1st VIII (09); 1st VIII (10); Rugby (07-10); 1st XV (09): 1st XV (10): Sydney East Representative XV (10); Combined NSW CHS 1st XV (10); Parking (07-10); Boggabilla Exchange (07); Physiotherapist; Orthopaedic Surgeon.

FENG Alex: Vocal Ensemble (05); UNSWMC (HD 05; D 06, 08-09); AMC (D 06,08-09); ICAS – Science (D 05-07, 09); ICAS – English (D 07); NCQ (06, 09); Rugby (06-09) 2nd XV (09); Tennis (05-08); Athletics (07-09) CHS Regionals Athletics (07); Jeans for Genes; Sir Roden Cutler; Oasis; Chemist.

FENG Eric: Amnesty International (09-10); Community Services Committee (08); Maths Enrichment Group (06); The C W Wicks Prize for Physics (09); BSC (Prize 09-10, D 08); AMC (Prize 08, HD 10, D 05-07); APO (D 09); ICAS - Science (HD 06, D 05, 07-10); ICAS - English (D 05-07, 09); ICAS -

Writing (HD 05, 07, D 06, 08); ICAS - Computer Skills (HD 06, 08, D 05, 07); Geography Competition (HD 07-08 D 09); NCQ (HD 06, 08, D 07-08); MCYA Enrichment Stage (D 07); Da Vinci Decathlon - Bronze Medal (08); Cricket (05); GPS Cross Country (10); Sir Roden and Lady Cutler Foundation; Legacy Badge Day; OASIS; Physicist; Corporate/ Merchant Banking.

FIO Oliver: Community Service Committee (09-10); Guitar Ensemble (05-07); Debating (07); School Plaque (09); Platinum Award (08); Gold Medallion (07); Silver Medallion (06); Bronze Medallion (05); PriceWaterhouseCoopers Economics Competition (Prize 10, HD 09); BSC (Prize 08); AMC (D 05-06 & 08); ICAS- Writing (D 05 & 09); ICAS-English (HD 06 & 08 D 05,07 & 09); ICAS-Science (HD 05 & 07-09 D 06 & 10); NCQ (HD 05 & 07-09); Australian Geography Competition (HD 05-06 & 08-09); 4th XI Batting Award (10); Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award; Cricket (05-10); Rugby (05-08); Football (09-10); Daffodil Day; Jeans for Genes Day; Legacy; Sir Roden Cutler Charity; Doctor.

FONG Matthew: Charities Committee (09); Recycling Committee (10); SCB (07-10); SSB (08-10); Marching Band (06-09); School Plaque (09); AMC (HD 05 09-10, D 06-08); BSC (HD 09-10, D 08); NGAGC (HD 07-09); ICAS – Science (HD 05-06 08-10, D 07); NCQ (HD 05-06 08-09, D 07); Music Pocket; Soccer (05-10); Basketball (06); Daffodil Day; Sir Roden Cutler Foundation; OASIS; Lawyer, Doctor, Actuary.

GAO Jun: AMC (HD 09, D 05); BSC (HD 09-10, D 08); ICAS - Computer Studies (D 05 & 07); Volleyball (06); Jeans for Genes Day; Legacy Week; Financial Advisor.

GEORGE Adarsh: High Resolves Club; Amnesty International; Gardening; Debating (05-06); First French (06); First German (07); First History Elective (07); First History (08); ICAS - Writing (HD 05-06 & 09, D 07); AMC (D 05-07 & 09); NCQ (D 06-09); ICAS - Geography (D 06-08); ICAS - Science (HD 05, D 06-08); ICAS English (HD 05-06, D 07); ICAS - Computer Studies (D 07); NSW Surf Lifesaving Senior First Aid; Cricket (05-10); Football (07-10); Fundraising for Jeans for Genes Day; Daffodil Day; Sir Roden Cutler Charities; Legacy Day; Amnesty Refugee Day; EJ Ward Community Centre; Doctor.

GHOSE Anirban: Zours (05); Chess Club (06-10); High Resolves Club (07-10); School Photographer (08); Gardening (05-09); JCB (05); ICB (06,07); SCB (08,09); Marching Band (07,08,09); School Plaque

(09); Da Vinci Decathlon Bronze Medal (08); Design and Technology (05 - 08); Visual Arts (07 - 09); Achievement Sem1 (10,08,06-05) Sem2 (09,08,05); National Geography Competition (HD 05,07 D 06,08); ICAS-Science (D 05,08); ICAS-Computer (D 05, 07-08); ICAS-English (D 07); ICAS-Writing (D 08); NCQ (D 06-08); AMC (D 06); Music Pocket; Regional Tournament of Minds (05 - 08); Commitment ICB (08); Tennis (05-08); Cricket (09-10); Fencing (05-10); Fencing First Grade (09,10); Fencing Second Grade (08); Fencing Captain (09); Sir Roden Cutler Charity; Parking (09,08); Inventor (Robotics).

GIM Sung Gyu John: (2009-2010): ICAS – Science (D10); Volleyball 1st Grade (2010); Volleyball 2nd Grade (2009); Basketball 6th Grade (2010); Sir Roden Cutler Foundation (2009); Aeronautical Engineer.

GOH Vincent: Cadet Unit (05); Symphony Orchestra (05-07); SCB (07-08); JCB (05-06); Marching Band (07); GPS Music Concert (07); ICAS - Maths (D 05-08); ICAS - English (D 07-08); ICAS - Science (D 06); Volleyball (08-10); Basketball (05-06); Football (05-06); Jeans for Genes Day; Daffodil Day; Sir Roden Cutler; Lawyer, Financial Analyst.

GORDON Leo: Vocal Ensemble (05); Guitar Ensemble (05-08); Debating (05-06); PD/H/PE (06); P&C Award for Outstanding Contribution to Drama (07); ICAS - Computer Studies (HD 06); AMC (D 05, 07); ICAS - Science (HD 08); NCQ (HD 08); BSC (HD 09); Basketball (05-10); 2nd Grade Basketball (07-08); 1st Grade Basketball (08-10); Captain 15A (07/08); Captain 1st Grade Basketball (2010); Raschke Cup Winning Team (2010); CHS Champions (2010); Volleyball (05); Rugby (06-10); 1st XV (09-10); Athletics (07-09); Jeans For Jeans Day Collector (08); Sir Roden Cutler Charities (09).

GOU Andrew: AMC (HD 07; D 05); ICAS - English (D 08); ICAS - Science (D 09); Basketball (05); Football (06, 09); Cricket (08); Rugby (08); Athletics (07, 09); Daffodil Day; Jeans for Genes Day; Legacy Day; Oasis; Sir Roden Cutler Charity; Engineer.

GU David: ICAS - English (D 08); Mathematics (2005-2008); Writing (2005-06); Basketball (05); Rugby (06); Rowing (06-07); Football (08); Athletics (09); GPS Cross Country (10); Cadet unit (05); Fundraising for Sir Roden and Lady Cutler Foundation; Legacy Day; Jeans for Jeans Day; Investment Banker.

GUO Austyn: Charities Committee (08); Symphony Orchestra (05-09); Chinese Eisteddfod (06-08); School Plaque (09); ICAS - Science (HD 06, D 05, 07-08); ICAS - Writing (D 09); ICAS - English (D 05); AMC (D 10); NGAGC (D 06); ANC (HD 08); Rowing (05-08);

Captain 1st Grade Water Polo (08-10); Soccer (05-10); Athletics (07-10); Daffodil Day; Jeans for Genes; Legacy Day; Sir Roden Cutler; OASIS; Civil Engineer.

HAJJ Justin: AMC (D 05, 06, 09); ICAS-Science (D 08); ICAS- English (D 07); Cricket (05 & 08) 2nd XI (08); Rugby (07 & 08); Basketball (09 & 10); Sir Roden Cutler Charities, Daffodil Day, Oasis; Physiotherapy.

HE Jia: JCB (2005); AMC (D 05-09); ICAS - Science (D 08-09); ICAS - Writing (D 07); Soccer (06-09); Cricket (06-08); Psychologist.

HO Aaron: Symphony Orchestra (07-08); Junior Strings Ensemble (05-06); AGC(HD 08); AMC(HD 07, D 06, 08 & 10); EC(D 08 & 09); ICAS - English (D 07); ICAS - Science (D 06-07 & 09-10); NCQ (HD 08 &09); Best Musician - Junior Strings Ensemble (06); CHS Volleyball (05-08 & 10); Oasis Charities (10); Banker.

HSIAO Patrick: Amnesty International (10); Community Services Committee (08-09); School Plaque (09); AMC (HD 10, D 05-08); BSC (Prize 09, D 08); ICAS - Writing (HD 07, D 06 & 08-09); ICAS - English (D 06 & 08); ICAS - Geography (HD 07, D 08); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 06); ICAS - Science (D 05, 07-08 & 10); MCYA - Challenge Stage (HD 07-08); MCYA - Enrichment Stage (HD 08); Da Vinci Decathlon - Bronze Medal (08); Tennis (05-06 & 08-10); Fencing (05 & 07-09); Captain 2nd Grade Fencing (09); Captain 3rd Grade Fencing (08); Football (10); Sir Roden and Lady Cutler Foundation; Legacy Day; Daffodil Day; Jeans for Genes Day; OASIS; Merchant Banker.

HUANG Hugh: Recycling Committee (08-10); Sydney Boys High Cadet Unit (05); Choir Ensemble (05); Debating (07-08); First Architectural & Engineering Drawing (07); First Chinese (07-09); Doris M.Grav Prize for 3rd (06): P&C prize for 3rd (09): National Chinese Eisteddfod 3rd Place (07, 09-10); AMC (HD 09, D 05-06); NCQ (HD 06&09, D 07&08); ICAS - English (D 07); ICAS - Writing (D 07&09); ICAS - Science (D 06-10); MCS (HD 07, D 06); ACER Assessment of Language Competence in Chinese (HD 07); House Colours (08); Volleyball (05-10); Volleyball Most Valuable Player (06); Volleyball Player's Player (08); Captain U16's Australian Volleyball Schools Cup squad to Melbourne (08); Australian Volleyball schools cup to Melbourne (07-08, 10); 2nd Grade Volleyball (08-09); 2nd Grade Volleyball GPS Premiers (08-09); 1st Grade Volleyball (10); NSW metro Schools Volleyball Champions (08-10); 1st Grade Volleyball GPS Champions (10); NSW Combined High Schools Volleyball Knockout Champions (10); Trans Pacific Cup Champions (10); Selection in NSW Combined High Schools Sydney East Regional team (10); NSW Combined High Schools State Championships Runners Up (10); NSW U17's Volleyball Squad (07); NSW Volleyball School's Cup Runner's Up (08-09); Sydney High Invitational Volleyball Tournament Runners Up (07); Cricket (05-06); Basketball (07-10); Basketball Most Valuable Player (10); Fundraising for Daffodil Day; Jeans for Genes Day; Oasis; Sir Roden Cutler; National Plant a Tree Day; School Parking (05-10); Doctor.

HUI Enoch: Library Monitor (05); Yearbook Committee (10); Strings Ensemble (05,06); German Film making Production (06); Speaker at Australian Reconciliation forum (State Parliament): Representative Wreath layer at the John Monash Memorial (Shore School); Bronze Medallion (05); Silver Medallion (06); Gold Medallion (07); Platinum Medallion (08); Plague (10); AMC- Maths (HD 05,08,09; D 06,07); ICAS- Writing (HD 07); ICAS-Science (D 06,10); ICAS- English (D 07); Tennis Singles and Doubles MVP (05,06), 2nds Tennis Co-MVP (08); Tennis (As 05-06) Captain 15As; 2nds (07-09); 1sts (09-10)Soccer (As 05-08) Captain 16As; Sir Roden Cutler Charities (09); Oasis Fundraising (10); Forensic Psychiatrist.

JIAN Brian: Cadet Unit (05-10); Symphony Orchestra (05-07); Senior String Ensemble (07); Combined GPS Orchestra (05); Marching Band (08-09); School Plaque (10); AMC (HD 09; D 05-08); ICAS - Writing (D 07); ICAS - English (HD 05-06; D 07); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 06); ICAS - Science (HD 08; D 05-06, 10); NCQ (HD 08; D 05-07, 09); National Geographic Australian Geography Competition (HD 07; D 06); Dolan Cup (09); Cricket (05); Sailing (07); Rowing (06, 08-10); Coxswain 3rd IV (08); Coxswain 4th IV (09); Coxswain 1st IV (10); Fencing (05-07); Football (08-10); Sir Roden Cutler Charities (09); Oasis - Youth Off the Streets (10); Engineer.

KAMAL Rafat: High Resolves Club (07-09); Community Services Committee (08-10); Gardening Committee (05-06); String Ensemble (05-07); Guitar Ensemble (06-08); Debating (05-08); Bronze Medallion (05); Silver Medallion (06); Gold Medallion (07); Platinum Medallion (08); School Plaque (09); School Trophy (10); Rubie House Badge (08); AMC (HD 05, 09; D 06-08); ICAS - English (D 05-07); ICAS - Science (HD 08; D 05-06, 10); ICAS - Computer Studies (D 05, 07-08); ICAS - Writing (HD 07; D 05, 09); National Geographic Australian Geography Competition (HD 08; D 09); NCQ (D 08-09); Cricket (05-10); Captain 16B's (08); Captain 4th XI (09-10); 16B's Team Player Award (08); 4th XI All-Rounder

Award (09); 4th XI Team Player Award (10); Football (05-10); 2nd Grade Football (10); Daffodil Day (08-09); Jeans for Genes Day (08-10); Sir Roden Cutler Charities (08-09); OASIS (10); School Parking (05-08); 2009 Sir Roden Cutler Charities Fundraising Dinner; Psychologist.

KARUNAKARAN Hareshan: SC Community Service (09); Marching Band (07) JCB (05) JSB (05-07) ICB (05-07); Debating (05-06); ICAS - English (HD 07 D09) ICAS - Science (D 06, 09) ICAS - Geography (D 08) AMC (D 05-06, 08-09); Rugby (05-08) Soccer (09-10) Rowing (06-07, 09) Basketball (05,08); White Ribbon Day, World's Greatest Shave, Sir Roden Cutler Drive, EXODUS; Security Contractor, Intelligence Analyst for ASIO/ASIS.

KELLY Brian: Community Service Committee (06-08); Junior String Ensemble (05-07); 'The Brian Allsop Memorial Prize'; School Plaque (09); AMC (D 05-09); ICAS - English (D 07); ICAS - Geography (HD 08); ICAS - Science (D 08); ICAS - Writing (HD 06, D 07); Cricket (05-10); Captain 1st XI (09-10); Rugby (05-10); Athletics (07-10); Sir Roden Cutler Charities.

KIM Daniel: High Resolves (07); JSB (05-06); ISB (07); Marching Band (07); ICAS - Science (HD 08, D 07); AMC (D 05-07); ICAS - English (D 07-08); AMPEC (D 09); GPS Swimming (07); Rugby (05-08); Rowing (07-08); Water Polo 1st Grade (09-10); Basketball (05); Sir Roden Cutler Charity Drive (09.

KIM Sean: JCB (05); JSB (05); ICB (06-07); SCB (07-08); Anzac Day Marching Band (07-08); NCQ (HD 09); ICAS - Science (D 09), AMC (D 07); Football (05-09); Rowing (05-09); 4th IV (09); 2nd Yr 10 VIII (08); GPS Athletics (08); Captain of 7th Grade Football (09); 1st Grade Waterpolo (10); 40 Hour Famine, Youth off the Streets, Sir Roden Cutler Charities, Daffodil Day; Doctor.

KITE Maximillian: (2008-2010): Under 16's Athletics Age Champion (08); Rowing NSW [State] Sprint Championship Regatta Mens U19 Coxless IV (Gold) (10); CHS Rowing Regatta Coxed IV (Gold) Coxed VIII (Silver) (10); Opens Athletics Age Champion (10); NSW [State]- Schools Athletics Knockout- Runners Up (Silver) (10); 1st XV 2010 "Coaches Player" Award (10); CHS Athletics 17+ Years Shot-put Runner Up (Silver) (10); Roosters Development Program U13-U16's (05-08) 3rd IV [3]Rowing (08); U16 Athletics Age Champion (08); CHS Athletics (09); 1st XV (09); 2nd VIII [Stroke] Rowing (10); Member of the Australian Institute of Sport (AIS) National Talent Identification Development (NTID)

Mens U18 Training Squad (10); Open Athletics Age Champion (10); CHS Athletics (10); NSW [State]-Schools Athletics Knockout-Runners Up (Silver) (10); Australian Schools Knock Out Championships (10); Australian All Schools Athletics Championships (10); 1st XV "Coaches Plaver" (10); Sir Roden Cutler Charities (09-10); Daffodil Day Collecting (08-10); Genes for Jeans Day Collecting (08-10); Red Nose Day Collecting (08-10) Legacy Day Charity (08-10) Youth off the Streets Charities (08.10); BBO Man (08-10); Team Leader Lak Saviya BBQ (10); Team Leader World Refugee Day BBQ (10); Team Leader BBQ Security Detail (08-10); Boggabilla BBQ (10) Oasis BBQ (10) Stuart House BBQ (10); Professional Sportsperson (Rugby Union, Rugby League, Athletics, Rowing); Teacher.

KOERBER Alex: (2006-2010): Arch Ferguson Prize (08); School Plaque (10); Platinum Award (09); Gold Medallion (08); Silver Medallion (06),; AMPEC (D 09); AMC (D 07); ICAS (D 06); Ben Smaile's Trophy; 1st XV Coaches Award; Rugby (06-10) 1st XV (09-10); Vice Captain 1st XV (10); Cricket (10); Basketball (06-09); Sir Roden Cutler Charities; Jeans for Genes Day; Property Developer, Physiotherapy.

KUMAR; Shejil: Debating (08); First Economics (10); ICAS - Geography (HD 08); ICAS - Science (D 08, 10); ICAS - Mathematics (D 05-06); Writing (D 06); 2nd XI Bowling Award (10); Cricket (05-10) 2nd XI (08-10); Rugby (06-09) 2nd XV (09); Fundraising for Sir Roden Cutler Charities; Doctor.

LAI Patrick: Economics Society (10); Recycling Committee (06-10); Training Concert Band (09); Choir (08-10);Chamber Chamber Commitment Award (09); Bronze Medallion (08); Silver Medallion (09); AMPEC (HD 08); ICAS -Geography (HD 10; D 06,08); ICAS - Writing (D 06-08); AMC (D 05,09); Music Pocket (10); Tennis (08-10); Volleyball (05-10); U16A Best and Fairest Award (07); Sydney High Junior Volleyball Invitational Tournament Runners Up (07-08); 2nd Grade Volleyball (08-09); 2nd Grade GPS Premiers (08-09); 2nd Grade Best Team Player Award; 1st Grade Volleyball (10); 1st Grade GPS Premiers (10); Metropolitan Schools Cup Champions (09-10); Transpacific Volleyball Champions (10); NSWCHS Knockout Open Boys Premiers (09-10); Australian Volleyball Schools Cup (07-08,10); Australian Volleyball Schools Cup Runners Up Open Boys Div 2 (08); NSWCHS Regional Sydney East Volleyball (10); NSWCHS Regional State Carnival Runners Up (10); NSW U17 State Volleyball (08); Sydney Volleyball League Sydney University 3rd place (07-09); Sir Roden Cutler (09); Blood Drive (10); MS Readathon (2005-10); Geographer.

LAM Jeffrey: String Orchestra (05); Software Design and Development (09); Mathematics (06); AMC (Prize 08; HD 09; D 05-07); BSC (D 08); ICAS - Writing (D 06); ICAS - Computer Studies (D 06 & 08); ICAS - Science (HD 06 & 08; D 07 & 10) MCYA; MCS (HD 07); NCS (HD 06 & 09; D 07); Basketball (05); Football (05); Cricket (07); Cross Country (10); Sir Roden Cutler Charity (09); Software Engineer.

LAU Andy: String Orchestra (05); AMC (D 05, 08); ICAS - Science (D 06, 07); ICAS - Writing (D 07); NCQ (HD 09); Volleyball (07-08 & 10); Mechanical Engineer.

LAZAROU Alexander: (2009-2010): AMC (D 09); ALC French Certificate (D 09); ICAS-Science (D 10); NSW Rowing Sprint Championships Under 17 Doubles Silver (09); CHS Champion VIII (10); CHS Under 19 Fours Silver (10); CHS Under 19 Doubles Bronze (10); Rowing Ist IV Stroke (09) 1st VIII (10); 1st Cross Country (09-10) Vice-Captain Cross Country (10); Athletics (09) GPS Athletics Finals Team (10); Sir Roden Cutler Fundraiser (09); One-Hundred Kilometre Ergathon Rowing Fundraiser (10); Salvation Army Oasis Youth Off the Streets(10); Marine Biologist.

LE Michael: (2009-2010): AMC (HD 09); NCQ (09); ICAS Writing (D 09); ICAS Science (D 09 & 10); GPS/CIS 1st Grade Water Polo (09-10); CHS Water Polo Competition (10); Fundraising/Charities Collector; Daffodil Day (09); Jeans for Genes Day (09); Sir Roden Cutler Charities (09); Legacy Day (09); Red Cross Blood Drive (10); World's Greatest Shave (10); Oasis (10); Doctor.

LEE James: Cadet Unit CDTSGT (08-10); ICAS - English (D 07 - 09); ICAS - Science (HD 07, D 06, 08); ICAS - Writing (D 08); ICAS - Geography (HD 08); AMC (D 06, 09); Rowing (05-09); Football (05-08); Rugby (09); Rifle Shooting (10); Legacy; Roden Cutler Foundation; Aerospace Armaments Officer.

LEE John Hochan: Charities Committee (08-10); Amnesty International (09-10); Symphony Orchestra (06-10); AMC (HD 07, D 08); ICAS (D 07) AMPEC (D 09); Basketball (05-08); Rugby (05-08); Jeans for genes day; Refugee Day; Legacy day; Physiotherapist; Dentist.

LEE Michael: ICAS-Science (HD 08); AMPEC (D 09); Football (05); Basketball (05-10); Rugby (06-09); Sir Roden Cutler (09).

LEE Ronald: (2009-2010): Symphony Orchestra (09-10); AMC (D 09 & 10); ICAS- Science (D 10); NCQ (D 09); Tennis (09-10); Jeans for Genes Day, Legacy Day, Daffodil Day, White Ribbon Day; Dentist.

LEE William: AMC (D 05, 07-08); ICAS - Geography (D 08); 15C Basketball MVP (06/07); 7th grade soccer Player of the year (2009); Basketball (07-10); Football (05-07, 09); Sir Roden Cutler Charities Fundraising; Physiotherapist.

LI Benjamin: Recycling Committee (08); JCB (05); ICB (06); SCB (07-09); SWE (06-09); ANZAC Day Marching Band (07-09); Combined GPS Symphony Orchestra (07): Debating (06): School Plague (09): Platinum (08); Gold (07); Silver (06); Bronze (05); AMC (D 05-06, 09); ICAS - English (D 05); ICAS - Writing (D 05, 07, 09); ICAS - Science (HD 08, D 06, 09-10); National Geographic Australian Geography Competition (HD 07, D 06, 08); Music Pocket (10); Tennis (05-06): Basketball (07): McKay House Badge (08); Rowing (08-10); Stroke 2nd Four (09); 2nd VIII (10); Rowing NSW Sprint Champion (09); CHS Champion (10); Football (05-10); Football Referee (08-10); Athletics (06-10); GPS Athletics Team (08-10); CHS State Athletics Representative (10); Zone Athletics Representative (06-10); Regional Athletics Representative (08,10); 40 Hour Famine (07); Jeans for Genes Day (08); Daffodil Day (08); Sir Roden Cutler Charities (09); OASIS Charity (10); Architect.

LI Frank: Leaver Jersey Committee (10); Community Services Committee (08-10); School Photographer (09-10); ASX Sharemarket Game (07-09); Record Committee (06-07); Cadets (05); SSB (06-07); ICB (06-07); ANZAC Day Marching Band (07); JSB (05); JCB (05); Debating (06-08); School Plague (09); YAA Managing Director (08); NSW Secondary Company of the Year (08); ICAS - English (D 05-07, 09); ICAS -Writing (HD 08); ICAS - Science (HD 05); ICAS -Computer Studies (D 05-07); PwC EC (HD 09); PwC BSC (HD 09-10); ACER Assessment of Language Competence - German (D 07); WAMC (D 06); House Badge (08); Basketball (05); Tennis (06-10); Second Grade Tennis (09-10); Captain 2nd Grade Tennis (10); Captain of 3rd - 6th Grade Tennis (09); Rugby (05-10); Captain 16A Rugby (09); 2nd XV (09); 1st XV (10); 15A's Coaches' Player (08); 2nd XV Best and Fairest (09); Athletics (09); Zone Athletics (09); Movember; Daffodil Day; Jeans for Genes Day; Legacy Day; Blood Drive Coordinator; Wallaby/Politician.

LI Ivan: Guitar Ensemble (05); Debating (05); Academic Merit List (05-10); English (09); Classical Greek (05-07); Bronze (05); MCYA (D 06); NCQ (HD

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06, 09); AGC (D 05); ICAS - Mathematics (D 05, 07); ICAS - Writing (D 06); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 06); ICAS - Science (D 07, 09); Volleyball (05-10); 1st Grade Volleyball (10); NSWCHS Opens Champions (10); GPS Champions (10); Trans-Pacific Champions (10); NSW Metro Schools Volleyball Champions (10); Runners Up (08): Australian Nationals Volleyball Schools Cup (07-08,10); 2nd Grade Volleyball (08-09); Vice-Captain 2nd Grade Volleyball (08-09); GPS (08-09); Sydney High Premiers Volleyball Tournament Bronze (06); Volleyball MVP (07); GPS Referee (08-10); Basketball (05-08); Jeans For Genes Day; Legacy Day; Daffodil Day; Sir Roden Cutler Charities; School Parking (08,10); OASIS Charities; Doctor.

LI Lawrence Guang Jian: Guitar Ensemble (05-07); Debating (05-06); AMC (HD 05, D 08); ICAS (HD 05,07; D 07); Basketball (05-10), Athletics (07-08), Rugby (06-08) Cross Country (09) Volleyball (05); Daffodil Day; Jeans for Genes; Roden Cutler; Designer/Business.

LI Merlin: Charities Committee (08-10); Chinese Eisteddfod (07-10); Platinum Award (09); Gold Award (08); Bronze Award (06); AMC (D 05-08); ICAS-Science (D 06-07); Volleyball Blue (09); Volleyball (07-10), Captain of Volleyball (10), CHS Champions (09-10), GPS Champions (08-10), Australian Runners-Up (08), AVSC Honours Division (09), Trans-Pacific Tournament Champions (10); NSWCHS State Volleyball Team (09-10), Sydney East Regional Volleyball Team (09-10); Basketball (05-10); Sir Roden Cutler Charity (09).

LI Tian Yu: Symphony Orchestra (05-08); ICB (05-06); National Chinese Eisteddfod (Group 3rd Prize 07 & 09, 2nd Prize 10; Individual 3rd Prize 07, 1st Prize 08); BSC (Prize 09-10); PwCEC (Prize 09); AMC (D 05-09); ICAS - Science (HD 06-07, D 05 & 08-09); ICAS - Writing (HD 07, D 08-09); ICAS - English (D 06); ICAS - Computer Studies (D 07); Symphony Orchestra Junior Commitment Award (2006); Football (05-10); Rowing (07-09); 2nd Year 10 VIII (2008); 4th IV (2009); Jeans for Genes; Oasis; Economist or Investment Banker.

LIN Kai: (2009-2010): K Saxby Prize for Mathematics (09); Engineering Science (09); AMC (HD 09, D 05, 06, 08 &10); ICAS-Science (HD 08, D 07 & 09); NCQ (HD 09); ICAS-Geography (HD 08); ACO (D 09); ICAS-English (D 08); ICAS-Computer Studies (D 08); Tennis (09-10); 40 Hour Famine; Red Shield Appeal; Red Cross Blood Drive; World Environment Day; Jeans for Genes Day: Daffodil Day: Engineer.

LIN Richard: Chess Club (06); Guitar Ensemble (05-06); National Chinese Eisteddfod (06-07 09); NCQ (HD 07); AMC (D 05-06 08-10); ICAS-science (D 07-08); Tennis (05-10); Football (05-09); Youth Off the Streets; Sir Roden Cutler Charities; Jeans for Genes Day; Legacy Day, White Ribbon Day, MS Walk; Doctor.

LIU Laurence: Bronze Medallion (06), Silver Medallion (07), Gold Medallion (08), Special Award (10); AMC (D 05-06), ICAS - Science (HD 06, D 09), ICAS - Writing (D 07), ICAS - Computer (D 07), ICAS - Computer (D 08), NCQ (D 06, 09); Fairland House Badge; Rowing (06-07), Basketball (08), Football (05-07), GPS Athletics (08-10), 1st Grade Cross Country (08-10), CHS Regional Athletics (05-10), CHS Regional Cross Country (05-10); Jeans For Genes Day (08), Daffodil Day (08, 09), Legacy Day (08, 09), Sir Roden Cutler Charity (09), Oasis (10).

LIU Weibo (Andy): Community Service Committee (07-10); Chinese Eisteddfod Team (06-07); Economics Society (09); First Business Studies (08-09); School Plague (09); Special Award (08); Silver Medallion (07): Bronze Medallion (06): AMC (D 05-06, 07-08); BSC (\$100 prize 09, \$50 prize 10); ICAS -English (D 07); ICAS - Geography (D 07-08); ICAS -Computer Skills (D 07-08); ICAS - Science (D 08-09); MCYA (HD 07); PWCEC (HD 09); ACER Chinese Certificate 2 Listening and Writing (HD 2007); Kip McGrath Business Plan Competition (D 2008); 15As Batting Aggregate Award (2007); 15As Bowling Aggregate Award (2007); Junior Cricketer of the Year Shield (2007); Cec Rubie Trophy (2007); Cricket (2005-2010); 1st XI (2007-2010); Australian Five Highs Cricket Carnival (2007-2009); Baberis Cup (2007); Baberis Cup Captain (2007); Davidson Shield (2007-2009); Football (2005-10); 2nd Grade Football (2009-2010); Legacy Day (08-09); Sir Roden Cutler Charities (09); Oasis (10); Clean Up Australia Day (08); Charities BBQ Organiser (2007-10); Investment Banker; Accountant.

LIU Yixin: Community Service Committee (09-10); High Resolves Club (07-10); ISCF (09-10); P&C Prize for Second (06); Bronze Medallion (06); Silver Medallion (07); Gold Medallion (08); School Plaque (09); BSC (Prize 09); AMC (HD 05, D 06-09); ICAS - Writing (D 05 & 09); MCS (D 07); AMPEC (D 09); GC (HD 07-08; D 09); Basketball (05-10); 2nd Grade Basketball (10); Cricket (05); Rugby (06-08); Athletics (07,09); Fencing (09); Legacy Day; Jeans for Jeans; Red Cross Blood Drive; Sir Roden Cutler Charities; OASIS; Accountant.

LOW Alan: Community Service Committee (08-09); Amnesty International (10); Recycling Committee (07-09); Marching Band (08); Silver Medallion (08); Gold Medallion (09); Platinum Medallion (10); ICAS Writing (D: 06); ICAS Science (D: 05-07, 09); ICAS English (D: 05-09); AMC (D: 06-09); National Geographic Australian Geography Competition (HD: 07-08); Most Efficient JNCO Award (09); National Adventure Training Award (10); 23 Battalion Chief-Of-Army Challenge Trophy; Rowing (05-10); 2nd IV (09); Summer Sports Captain (09-10); Football (06, 08. 10): 5th XI (10): Cadets (07-10): ANZAC Test Guard (08-09); Daffodil Day (08-09); Sir Roden Cutler Charities (08 -10); Lak Saviva Fundraiser; Jeans for Genes Fundraiser: Legacy Day (08-09); White Ribbon Day (08); Political Science/Engineer.

LU Hong: AMC (HD 07; D 05-06, 08-09); ICAS (D 06); Basketball 15 E's MIP 2008; Basketball (05-06, 08); Cricket (07); Cross Country Zone and Regionals (09); Football (06-07); GPS Cross Country (07-10), 1st Grade (10); Stroke of Rowing 4th IV (09); Sir Roden Cutler Charity; SBHS blood drive donor (10); Doctor.

LU Robert: Cadet Unit (05-06); School Choir (05); Debating (05-06); First Geography (08), First Biology (09); ICAS-Writing (D 06, D 07, D 09); ICAS-Maths (D 06, D 09); ICAS-Geography (HD 08); NCQ (HD 09); AMC (D 10); Tennis (05,09); Volleyball (06), Table Tennis (10); Sir Roden Cutler Charities; Doctor.

LUO Daniel: Charities Committee (08-10); Recycling Committee (2010); SCB (08-10); Marching Band (06-09); ICB (05-07); Combined GPS Concert Band (07); Combined Selective Schools Concert Band (08); Debating (07-09), National Chinese Eisteddfod (05-10): Gorden Barr Memorial Prize for Dux (05): First Mathematics (05); School Plague (09); AMC (HD 09, D 05-08); MCS (HD, 07&08, D 06); MCYA (HD 07); ICAS-Geography (HD 08); ACER Chinese Certificate 2 (Listening HD, Reading D 07); (ICAS-Science (D 06,08); HSK Level 5 (D 10); NCQ (D 06, 09); Music Pocket (09); Piano Competition Junior Division (High Commended 06); Cross Country (06-10) 1st Grade Captain(10); Swimming(05-10); Rowing 2nd IV Coxswain (08); Cricket (05-07); Volleyball(05); Daffodil Day; Jeans for Genes Day; Sir Roden Cutler; Actuary.

LY Benjamin: AMC (Prize 06 & 07, HD 08 & 09, D 05); ICAS - Writing (D 07); ICAS - English (HD 06); ICAS - Computer Studies (D 07); ICAS - Science (HD 08, D 07); MCYA; MCS (HD 07, D 06); NCQ (HD 09, D 05 & 08); Basketball (05-10); Football (06-07 & 09); Volleyball (08 & 10); Fundraising for Jeans for Genes

Day (08 & 09); Daffodil Day (08 & 09); Legacy Day (08 & 09); White Ribbon Day (09); Sir Roden Cutler Charities (09); Actuary; Psychologist.

MA David: High Resolves Club (2008); Charities Committee (09).; AMC (HD 07, D 06, 08); ICAS - Computer Studies (06); ICAS - Science (08); ICAS - Geography (08).; Soccer (05-10) 2nd XI (09-10); Cricket (05-10); Athletics (07-09) Junior GPS Team (07).; Jeans for Genes Day (08); The Sir Roden Cutler Wheelchair Roll (09); Oasis Collections (10).; Filmmaker.

MA Robert: High Resolves Club (07-08); JCB (05); ICB (06); SCB (07); Marching Band (07); Bronze Medallion (05); Silver (06); Gold (07); Platinum (08); School Plague (09); School Trophy (10); AMC (HD 10, D 05-08); ICAS - Writing (D 05); ICAS - English (D 09); ICAS - Computer Studies (D 06-07); ICAS - Science (HD 08, D 05-07); National Geography Competition (HD 06-07. D 08): Assessment of Language Competence -French (D 09); Assessment of Language Competence - Chinese (D 08); Eedy House Badge (08); Basketball (05-08); Captain 15D Basketball (07); Premiers - 15D (07); Most Valuable Player (08); Cricket (09-10); Rugby (06-08); Football (05, 09-10); Captain Ninth Grade Football (09); Captain Sixth Grade Football (10); Football Referee (08-10); Sir Roden Cutler Charities; OASIS Charities; Jeans for Genes Dav.

McKAY Caillin: Symphony Orchestra (2005-07), Guitar Ensemble (2007-08); ICAS - English (HD 07-08), ICAS - Science (HD 06, 08, D 07), ICAS - Computer Skills (D 06-07) ICAS - Maths (D 05) ICAS - Geography (D 08), ICAS - Writing (D 07); Fencing (2005-10) Second Grade (08) First Grade (09-10) Vice Captain (09).; Fashion Designer, Tailor, Translator.

MOHAN Vithushan: Amensty International Committee (2009); Symphony Orchestra (2005); Training String Ensemble (2005-2007); Training Concert Band (2005); Intermediate Concert Band (2006-07); ANZAC day Marching band (2008); Debating (2005, 2008); P and C prize for 3rd (2008); SHOB Prize for Chemistry (2009); First in Mathematics Accelerated (2009); Platinum Award (2009); AMC (HD 09, D05-08); ICAS Science (HD 06, 08 D 05, 07, 09); ICAS English (D 07); ICAS Writing (D 06, 08, 09); ICAS Computing (D 2008); Geography Competition (HD 05-08); 1st in Australia for the Charles Stuart Chemistry Competition (2009) HD(06-8); Australian Chemistry Olympiad HD (2009); Australian Biology Olympiad HD (2009); 2nd round selection for the Australian Biology Olympiad team.; Football (06-09); Rowing (06-09); 40 Hour Famine (2009); Movember (2009); White Ribbon Day (2010); Jeans for Jeans Day (2008); Sir Roden Cutler Wheelchair roll (2009); Daffodil Day (2008); Physician/Teacher.

MORENO Mario: JCB (05); ICB (06,07); School Plaque(09); First Latin (05); AMC (D 05,07,09); ICAS-Writing (HD 07); ICAS-English (D 05-09); ICAS-Computer Skills (D 05-06); ICAS-Science (D 05-08); NCQ (D 07); Duke of Edinburgh Bronze (10); Basketball(05-07); Football (05, 07-09); Sir Roden Cutler Charities: Investment Banker.

MUSGROVE Jack: (2007-2010): School Bronze Medal; School Gold Medal; Old Boys Prize (09); NGAGC (HD 09); AMC (HD 09); Open Swimming Champion (09,10); Rugby (07-10); 1st XV (09,10); Rugby Seven's (10); Rowing (07-10); 2nd VIII (09); 1st VIII (10); Swimming (07-10); Athletics (10); Sir Roden Cutler Charity Day; Stockbroker.

NAIR Joshua: High Resolves Club (07-08); First French (05); ICAS - Writing (D 06,08); ICAS - English (D 05,08); ICAS Computer Studies (D 05); Cricket (05); Football (09); Sir Roden Cutler; OASIS.

NAM Nguyen: AMC (HD 07, D 05); ICAS - Writing (D 06); ICAS - Science (D 06-08); ICAS - English (07); CHS Silver Open IV Rowing (08); CHS Bronze Under 16 VIII Rowing (07); Rowing (05-09); Rugby (05-07); Football (08-09); Sir Roden Cutler; Legacy Day; Jeans for Genes Day; Civil Architect.

NG Aaron: Amnesty International (10); Community Service Committee (10); Economics Society (10); Debating (05-07); AMC (HD 09, D 05-08); BSC (HD 09); MCYA - Intermediate (HD 08); ICAS - Geography (HD 07); AMPEC (D 08); MCS (D 07); MCYA - Enrichment (D 07); NCQ (D 07); ICAS - English (D 05, 07); ICAS - Writing (D 06); ICAS - Science (D 05-06); Basketball (05); Oasis; Stewart House; Sir Roden Cutler Charity; Auditor.

NGUYEN Jim: Marching Band (08); School Plaque (10); Platinum Medallion (09); Gold Medallion (08); Silver Medallion (07); Bronze Medallion (06); AMC (HD 09, D 05-08); ICAS - Writing (D 06); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 06 & 07); ICAS - English (D 07 & 08); ICAS - Science (D 08 & 09); National Geographic Competition (HD 08); NCQ (HD 09); Most Efficient Cadet (07 & 08); Seconds Rugby Player's Player (10); Cadets National Adventure Training Award (10); Basketball (05-10), Captain 13'As, 16 B's, 5th & 6th Grade Basketball; Rugby (06-08, 10), Captain 2nd Grade Rugby; Volleyball (09); Athletics (06-09); Cadets (05-10); NRL ANZAC Test Flag Party (08 &09);

Daffodil Day; Starlight Foundation; Jeans for Genes Day; Sir Roden Cutler Charities; Lak Saviya; Legacy Day; Australian Red Cross Blood Donor; Doctor or Dentist.

NGUYEN Phillip: (2009-2010): Charities Committee (10); Recycling Committee (10); Gardening Committee (09); Chamber Choir (09-10); Bronze Medallion (09); AMC (D 05-09); NCQ (HD 08-09); ICAS- Geography (HD 08); Best and Fairest of 9th Grade Soccer (09); Best and Fairest of 6th Grade Soccer (10); Golden Boot (10); 2nd Grade Tennis (09); 1st Grade Water Polo (10); Football (09-10); Table Tennis Knockout Team (10); Jeans for Genes Day; Legacy Day; Daffodil Day; White Ribbon Day; MS Fun Run; Sir Roden Cutler Charity; Doctor or Lawyer.

PAPERNY Daniel: Tournament of the Minds (08); Recycling Committee (10); Community Services Committee (06 & 10); Economics Society (10); Amnesty International (10); 'Summer of the Seventeenth Doll' School Drama Production (07): Debating (05-08); UTS Schools' Debating Championships (06); Anzac Day Address April (10); Bronze Medallion (08); ICAS - Writing (D05, 06, 08, 09); ICAS - English (D05); ICAS - Computer Skills (HD 07, D05 & 06); AMC (D07 & 08); National Geographic Channel Australian Geography Competition (D08); Basketball MIP (2005/06); Basketball MIP (2007/08); Basketball (05-08); Soccer (06-10); Captain 15Ds Soccer (07): Tennis (09): Fundraising for Sir Roden Cutler Charities; Daffodil Day; Jeans for Genes; Journalist.

PAUL Antony: School Captain (10) High Resolves Club (07-08); JCB (05); JSB (05-06); SSB (07); Guitar Ensemble (07); Debating (05-10); Undefeated in GPS (07 & 08); 1st Grade (09-10); Captain of Debating (10); Combined CHS 1st Grade (09-10); NSW All Schools Team (09-10); National Champions (09); Australian All Schools Team (10); Hume Barbour Winner (10); Karl Kramp Winner (09); Junior State Debating Championships Winner (07); PDC Sydney Region Winner (06 & 08); Eastside Winner (07, 09 & 10); School Plague (09); Platinum Medallion (08); Gold Medallion (07); Silver Medallion (06); Bronze Medallion (05); University of Sydney Year 10 Academic Excellence Award (08); Peter Walker Award for English Literature (06); Doris M Gray Prize for Third (05); First Modern History (09); First History Elective (08); First English (05 & 08); ACER - French (D 07 & 09); AMC (D 05 & 08); ICAS - English (D 06, 07 & 08); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 06 & 07); ICAS -Geography (HD 06, D 07); ICAS - Science (HD 08, D 05, 06 & 07); ICAS - Writing (D 05, 08 & 09); MCS (D

07); NCQ (D 07 & 08); Football Blue (09); Australian Defence Force Long Tan Leadership and Teamwork Award (08); J M and W G Forsyth Memorial Prize (08); First Aid Certificate (08); Eedy House Badge (07); Dr Joseph Suttie Award for Excellence in Teamwork (Member of Winning Debating Team 07, 08 & 09); Debater of the Year (05, 06, 07 & 09); Football (05-10); Captain of 13A/14A/15A Football (05-07); 1st Grade Football (08-10); Captain of 1st Grade Football (10); Combined GPS 2nd Grade (09); Combined GPS 1st Grade (10); Football Referee (08-10); Basketball (05-10); 2nd Grade Basketball (08-10); Captain of 2nd Grade Basketball (10); Raschke Cup Winner (10); U15 State Knockout Runner-up (07); Parking (05-08); Sir Roden Cutler Charities.

PERERA Kishan: ICAS - Geography (HD 08); AMC (D 06 & 10); ICAS - Writing (D 08); ICAS - Science (D 06); ICAS - English (D 07); Cricket (05 - 10); 2nd XI (09); 1st XI (09-10); Vice-Captain 2nd XI Cricket (09); Soccer (05-06, 10); Rugby (07-08); Computer Engineer.

PHILLIS Maxwell: High Resolves (07-09); ICB (05); SWE (07); SCB (06-09); Marching Band (07-09); Debating (05-10); 1st Grade (09-10); CHS Representative Team (09-10); Karl Cramp winner (09); Hume Barbour Winner (10); Year 12 Eastside Debating Champions (10); Joe Suttie Award for Excellence in Teamwork (07-09); NSW Model UN Representative Team (08); Australian Delegation to the Hague International Model UN (09); Music (06); Geography (08); Debating (08); School Bronze (05); Silver (06): Gold (07): Platinum (08): Plague (09): Trophy (10); ICAS - Science (HD 07; D 06, 08, 10); ICAS - English (HD 07; D 08); ICAS - Writing (HD 09); ICAS -Maths (D 08); ICAS - Geography (HD 08-09); Music Pocket; Rowing (05-07); Fencing (05-08); Soccer (09-10): Cricket (09-10): Sir Roden Cutler Charities (09): Diplomat; Teacher.

PHUNG Matthew: AMC (D 05-06, 09-10); ICAS - Computer Studies (HD 07); ICAS - Science (HD 08, D 07); ICAS - English (D 09); ICAS - Writing (D 06); Cricket (05); Basketball (06-10); Football (05-07); Volleyball (05-08); GPS Athletics (08); Zone Swimming (05-08); Daffodil Day (09); Genes for Jeans (09-10); Sir Roden Cutler Charities (09); Oasis (10); Australian Blood Drive (10).

POON Jacky: AMC(D 2005, 2007-2010 Prize 2006); ICAS Science (2006, 2008); ICAS Computer Studies (2006); Volleyball (2005-06, 2008, 2010); Tennis (2008-09); Sir Roden Cutler; OASIS; Daffodil; Legacy Day; Jeans4Genes Day; Program Developer.

QIU Edward: Cadet Unit (05); Amnesty International (10); Bronze Medallion; Silver Medallion; Gold Award; Platinum Award; AMC (D 05-07, 09); AGC (HD Junior Division); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 07); ICAS - Science (HD 06, D 06, 08); ICAS - Writing (05); ICAS - English (D 07); NCQ (HD 08, D 05); Athletics (06); Football (05 & 10); Rugby (06 & 07); 2nd Grade Tennis (10); A's Tennis (05-07); Sir Roden Cutler Charities Fundraising; Red Cross Blood Donor; Entrepreneur.

RADHAKRISHNAN Pravin: Sydney High School Cadet Unit (05-07); Community Service Committee (07-09): Recycling Committee (07-09): Gardening Committee (05-08); Symphony Orchestra (05-07); Senior Strings (05-07); Combined GPS Orchestra (05-06); Debating (05); Public Speaking (05); Bronze Medallion (06): Gold Medallion (07): Platinum Medallion (09); Second Place Preliminary Earth and Environmental Science (09); AMC (HD 05, 07, 09, D 06, 08,); ICAS - Science (HD 05-06, 10, D 07-09); National Geographic Australian Geography Competition (HD 06-09): ICAS - English (HD 09, D 05-08); ICAS - Computer Studies (HD 07, D 08); ICAS -Writing (HD 06-07, D 05, 08-09); NCQ (HD 05-06, 08, D 07); Gold Medallist Lightweight Under-23 Mens Coxless Quad Scull NSW Rowing Association Sprint Championships (10); Gold Medallist Mens Under-19 Coxless Four (Stroke) NSW Rowing Association Sprint Championships (10); Silver Medallist Championship Mens Coxed Four NSW CHSSA Championships (10); Silver Medallist Championship Mens Eight NSW CHSSA Championships (08); Finalist Championship Mens Coxless Quad Scull NSW CHSSA Championships (10); Finalist Schoolboys Second Four NSW Schoolboys Head Of The River (10); Finalist Schoolboys Second Four NSW Rowing Association State Championships (10); Finalist Championship Mens Coxless Quad Scull NSW Rowing Association Sprint Championships (10); Finalist Championship Schoolboys Second Eight NSW Association Rowing State Championships (08); Finalist Championship Schoolboys Second Four (07); Finalist Schoolboys Second Four Sydney Rowing Club Regatta (07,10); Finalist Schoolboys Second Eight Sydney Rowing Club Regatta (08); Concept 2 Ultra Distance 100,000 Meter Erg Small Team Lightweight Mens World Record Holder: Bronze Medallist Schoolbovs Third Eight (Stroke) Loreto Normanhurst Regatta (09); Bronze Medallist Schoolboys Third Eight (Stroke) Sydney Rowing Club Head Of The Parramatta (09); Dolan Cup (Captain) (09); Rowing (05-10); Coxswain Second Four (07); Coxswain Second Eight (08); Fourth Four (09); Second Four (10); Captain of Fours (10); Football (05-10); Captain Eighth Grade Football (09); Dolan Cup Winning Team (Captain) (09); Captain Fifth Grade Football (10); Member of Sydney Boys High Rowing Team to Taree (10); Oxley Island Rowing (10); Zone Cross Country (08-10); Athletics (05-08); Sir Roden Cutler Charities (09); Legacy Day Charities (07-09); Red Cross Blood Drive (09); Oasis - Youth Off The Streets (10); White Ribbon Day (10); School Parking (05-10); Daffodil Day (05-09); Jeans For Genes Day (05-09); Sydney Boys High Rowing Club Concept 2 Ultra Distance 100,000 Meter Erg World Record Fundraiser; 40 Hour Famine (05-08); Red Nose Day (06-07); Mufti Day Collector (05-10); Mechatronic Engineer / Structural Engineer.

RAJENDRAM Jeremy: (2006-2010): High Resolves Club (07-08); SCB (06-10); ISB (06); SSB (07-09); Marching Band (07); Bronze Medallion (05); Silver (06); Gold (07); Platinum (08); School Plaque (09); School Trophy (10): AMC (D 06-08, 10): ICAS -Computer Studies (D 07); ICAS - Science (D 09); National Geography Competition (HD 06-08); Assessment of Language Competence - French (HD 09, D 08); Fairland House Badge (07); Music Pocket (10); 14As Basketball MVP (06); 15As Basketball MIP; 2nd Grade Basketball MVP (09); Senior Stage Band Outstanding Musician (08); Basketball (06-10), Captain 15As Basketball (07), 2nd Grade (08-09), 1st Grade (10), CHS Champions, 1st Grade Raschke Cup winners (10), GPS runners up (09, 10); Football (06-10), Captain 3rd Grade (09), 2nd Grade (09), 1st Grade (10): GPS Athletics (07-10), Athletics Regional Representative (09, 10), CHS Athletics (09, 10); Sir Roden Cutler Charities (09); Leukaemia Foundation's World's Greatest Shave (10); Civil Engineer.

RAMESH Ashwin: Chess Club (06-07); Debating (05); Preliminary Software Design/Development 2nd ('09); Preliminary Economics 3rd (09); AMC(HD 05,07; D 06, 10); ICAS Science (D 06,07); ICAS English (D 05,07); ICAS Geography (D 05-08); ICAS Computer Studies (HD 05, D06-09); Cricket(06-10) 2nd XI (08,09) 1st XI (10) Barberis Cup Winners; Tennis (05); Volleyball (05,06); Football (08,10); Sir Roden Cutler Charities(09); Oasis Youth of the Streets (10); Software Engineer/ Al Engineer.

SANDHU; Sameep: BSC (HD 08 &10); NCQ (HD 09); ICAS Geography (HD 08); AMC (D 07 &09); ICAS English (D 06); ICAS Writing (2006); Duke Of Edinburgh Bronze (2010); Cricket (2005-2007); Football (2007-2010); Sir Roden Cutler Charities.

SANTUCCI Walter: Cadet Unit (07-10); ANZAC day

Marching Band (08); BSC (Prize 09-10, D 08); NCQ (HD 05, 08-09, D 06); ICAS - Geography (HD 06-08); ICAS - Science (D 05-10); AMC (D 05-06, 09); ICAS - English (D 05, 08); ICAS Computer Studies (D 07); ICAS Writing (D 08); CHS Championship Four; Dolan Cup; 23rd Battalion Chief of army Challenge Trophy; Football (05-10); Rowing (08-10) 2nd IV (09), 1st IV (10); Cadets ANZAC day Test Guard (08-09); Sir Roden Cutler Wheelchair Roll; Sir Roden Cutler Charity Drive; Doctor.

SAUNDERS Alexander: Cadets (05-10); Chess (07-08); Recycling (09-10); Marching Band (08); Visual Design (07); School Platinum (09); ICAS - English (HD 07 & 09, D 06 & 08); ICAS - Writing (HD 07, D 08 & 05); ICAS - Science (HD 08 & 10, D 06 & 07); ICAS - Geography (HD 08); ICAS - Maths (D 06 & 08-09); National Geographic Channel Australian Geography Competition (HD 08, D 07); AMC (D 08); National Adventure Training Award (10); CHS Sailing Bronze (07); Football 8th Grade MvP (09), Football 16C MvP (08); Football (09-10); Rowing (09); Sailing (06-08 & 10); Member of the SHS Sailing Match Racing Team (10); Member of the CHS Sailing Team (07); Sir Roden Cutler Wheelchair Roll - Canberra (09); Architect.

SCHILLING Hayden: Debating (2005-08); Public Speaking (2005-10); School Trophy (09); Earth and Environmental Science (09); ICAS - Geography (HD 07,09-10, D 06,08); NCQ (HD 07); AMC (D 05-07); ICAS - Science (D 05,08-09); ICAS - English (D 06,08-08); ICAS - Computer Studies (D 06,08); The GPS of NSW OBU Council Prize (09); The Best Performing Coxswain of the Whole Season (10); Rifle Shooting (06); Fencing (05,07); Swimming (06-10); Football (08-10); Dolan Cup winners (09); 5th Grade MVP (10); Rowing (05-10) 1st IV (07-09) 2nd VIII (10) CHS Champions (08,10); CHS Regional Cross-Country (10); Football Referee (08-10); MUNA (08); Parking (05-10); Sir Roden Cutler Charity (09); Environmental Scientist.

SILVEIRA Tony: Australian Army Cadets (05-10); Guitar Ensemble (05-06); School Plaque (09); AMC (HD 09, D 05-08); BSC (HD 09); ICAS - English (D 05-06); ICAS - Geography (HD 08, D 06); ICAS - Science (D 05-06 & 09); NCQ (D 07); Basketball (05-07); Cricket (08); Football (05-10); Space Engineer.

SIMOS Paul: Football Referee (08-10); Guitar Ensemble (05-08); Debating (06-08); First Ancient History (09); Bronze Medallion (05); Silver Medallion (06); Gold Medallion (07); Platinum Medallion (08); School Plaque (09); McKay House Badge (08); AMC (HD 09, D 05-07); NCQ (HD 09); ICAS - English (HD 09,

D 05); ICAS - Science (D 05, 07); ICAS - Writing (D 05); ICAS - Computer Studies (D 06); National Latin Examination (Honours 09-10); Guitar Ensemble Commitment Award (05); Tennis (05-10); Football (05-10); 2nd Grade Football (10); Lawyer, Stockbroker.

SIVASUBRAMANIAM Rehan: Debating (05); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 07); ICAS - Writing (D 09); Basketball (14c's MIP 06); Basketball (05-08); Volleyball (05-06); Rugby (07-08); Waterpolo (First Grade 09); Sir Rodent Cutler Foundation; Electrician.

SMITH-LIGHT Daniel: ICAS Geography HD (2008); ICAS Science D (2006, 08, 09); ICAS English D (2007); ICAS Maths (2005); Water Polo Best and Fairest (2010); 1st Grade Water Polo (2008-09, 2009-10); Volleyball (2005-10) 2nd Grade GPS Premiers (2009-10); GPS Swimming (2006-10); Sailing (2006-07); Basketball (2005); Pilot.

SOROKA Ben: Chess Club (07);; ICAS - Writing (D 07-08); ICAS - Mathematics (D 05-06); ICAS - Science (D 06-07); ICAS - Economics (D 09); Tennis (05-10); Football (05-06, 09) Rugby (07-08); Finance sector.

SU Kaiwen: Economics Society; JSB(05-06), ISB - (07); ICAS - Maths (D 05-08); ICAS-English (D 07); ICAS-Writing(D 05-06); ICAS-Science(D 06); PwC AEC(Prize 09); AMC(D 09); Basketball (05); Rowing (06-08); 1st Grade Water Polo (09-10); GPS Cross Country (10); Football (05-06); Table Tennis(08-09); Sir Roden Cutler Charity; Oasis; Corporate management.

SUH Joshua: (2009-2010): AMC (HD 09); NCQ (HD 09); Basketball (09-10); Volleyball First Grade (09-10); GPS and CHS Swimming (09-10); Sir Roden Cutler Charities; Oasis; Biomedical Engineer or Physiotherapist.

SUN Edward: JCB (05-06); ICB (07); AMC (HD 09; D 06-08,10); ICAS - Computer Studies (D 07); ICAS - Science (D 08); Basketball (05-06); Volleyball (08); GPS Cross Country (10); Daffodil Day (08); Jeans for Genes Day (08); Legacy Day (08); Sir Roden Cutler (09); Actuary.

SURENDRAN Arun: (2009-2010): Charity Committee; Recycling Committee; AMC(HD 05 & 09, D 06); NCQ (HD 09); ICAS (05 & 07); Cricket (09-10); Soccer (09-10); Fundraising for Daffodil Day; Jeans for Genes day; Sir Roden Cutler Charity; White Ribbon Day; OASIS; Mechatronics Engineer.

SUTTON David: (2009-2010): Amnesty International Committee (10); Recycling Committee (10); AMC (D 10); Football (10); Table Tennis (10);

Oasis Charities (10); Red Cross Blood Donor (10); Scientist, Engineer, Architect.

SUTTON Joshua: High Resolves Club (07-09): Community Services Committee (09-10); Year Representative (09): Public Relations Officer (10): JCB (05); ICB (06); SCB (07-10); JSB (05-06); SSB (07-10); Head of the River Band (08-09); Combined GPS Stage Band (07); First German (05); Bronze Medallion (05): Silver Medallion (06): Gold Medallion (07): Platinum Medallion (08); School Plague (09); F.A. Elgar Prize for Dux (06); First English (06-07); First History (07); The Peter Walker Award for English Literature (05 & 09); The Ross Miller Memorial Award (08); AMC (Prize 07; D 05-06, 08-10); ICAS -- Writing (D 08): ICAS -- Science (HD 08, D 06-07): ICAS --English (HD 07, D 06, 08-09); ICAS -- Computer Studies (D 08); Australian Geography Competition (HD 06 & 08, D 05 & 07); NCQ (HD 07-08); ACER Assessment of Language Competence -- German Reading (HD 07, D 08-09); ACER Assessment of Language Competence -- German Listening (HD 07, D 09); UNSW Australian Schools Writing (D 05); UNSW Australian Schools Science (HD 05): Music Pocket; Basketball (05-10); 15-and-Under CHS State Basketball Knockout team (07-08); Runner Up (07); Champions (08); Captain (08); Opens CHS State Basketball Knockout (09-10); Runner Up (09); Champions (10); 2nd Grade Basketball (07-08); 1st Grade Basketball (09-10); Raschke Cup winners (10); Combined GPS 2nd Grade Basketball (10); Football (05-10); 2nd XI (08); 1st XI (09-10); CHS Zone Athletics (07); Daffodil Day; Jeans for Genes Day; Sir Roden Cutler Charities Annual Dinner; World's Greatest Shave; Parking (05-10); Writer.

TASSELL Joshua: School Plaque; Visual Design (07); PE (07); Geography (10); NGAGC (HD 10; D 08); ICAS - Maths (D 05); ICAS - Writing (HD 06); ICAS - Computer Studies (D 06); ICAS - Science (D 07); A.M. Eedy Cup (2009); Athletics Age Champion (06-07, 09); Athletics (04-10); Junior Athletics Captain (07); Senior Athletics Captain (10); CHS Athletics (06-09); Pacific School Games (08); NSW Schools Athletics Knockout (08, 10); Australian Schools Athletics Knockout (2010); Basketball (04-08), 14A/15A Captain (04-06), 2nd Grade (07-08); CHS Basketball Knockout (06-07); Rugby (05-07); Investec Rugby Sevens (10); Fundraising for Youth off the Streets (09), Oasis (10); Journalist.

TAYLOR Kieran: Charities Committee (06-09); JCB (05); ICB (06-07); SWE (07); Debating (06-08); First P.E. (05); ICAC - Science (HD 08); ICAC - English (D 08); ICAC - Computer Studies (D 08); AMC (D 08);

Cricket (06-10); 1st Grade (08-10); Barberis Cup (08); Cecile Ruby Trophy (08); Football (05-10); Athletics (05-07); Daffodil Day; Legacy Day; Sir Roden Cutler Charity; Jeans for Genes Day; Architect.

TRAN Aaron: (-2010): Guitar Ensemble (08); The Clarrie Martin Memorial Prize for Modern History (2009); ICAS - Writing (HD 07); AMC (D 07); ICAS - Geography (HD 08); ICAS - English (D 08); Rowing (06 - 08); Cross Country (06, 08-10) 1st Grade Cross Country (09-10); Sir Roden Cutler Charity (09); Barrister.

TRAN David: Cadet Unit (05-07); AMC (D 05-06, 09); NCQ (D 05); ICAS - Science (D 06); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 07); ICAS - Geography (D 08); 6th grade Basketball MVP (09/10); Players' player 16B's Rugby (08); Basketball (05 - 10); Football (05-06, 09); Rugby (07-08); Vice-Captain 2nd Grade Rugby (10); Sir Roden Cutler Charities Fundraising; Optometrist or Physiotherapist.

TRAN Harry: AMC (D 05 & 06, HD 09); ICAS - English (D 06); ICAS - Science (D 06 & 09, HD 08); NCQ (HD 08); Basketball (05-09); Soccer (05-06); Volleyball (08-10); Fundraising for Sir Roden Cutler; Oasis; Engineer.

TRAN Tony: National Geographic Australian Geography Competition (HD 06-08); ICAS - Science (D 06-08); ICAS - English (D 08); AMC (07-08); MCS (07); NCQ (06, 08); Sir Roden Cutler; OASIS; Pharmacist.

TRANG Bach: (2009-2010): ICB (06-07); SCB (08); Debating (05); Public Speaking (05,08); ICAS -Science (HD 06, D 07 & 08); AMC (Prudence Award 07, HD 07, D 06); ICAS - English (D 06); NCQ (HD 08, D 07); Bronze Medallist Schoolboys Third VIII Loreto Normanhurst Regatta (09); Silver Medallist Championship Mens Coxed Four NSW CHS Championships (10): Bronze Medallist at NSW Rowing Association Sprints Championships (10); Finalist Championship Mens Coxless Quad Scull NSW CHSSA Championships (10); Swimming (09-10); Rowing (09-10); Second IV (10); CHS Rowing State Representative (10); Athletics (10); Cross Country (10); Member of Sydney Boys High Rowing Team to Taree (10); Leukaemia Foundation's World's Greatest Shave (10); Sir Roden Cutler Charities (09); Legacy Day Charities (09); Oasis - Youth Off the Streets (10); School Parking (10); Red Cross Blood Drive (10); White Ribbon Day (10); Concept 2 Ultra Distance 100,000 Meter Row World Record attempt (10); Civil Engineer / Architect.

TRANG Derek: ICB (05-06); AMC (HD 05,09; D 06 08); NCQ (D 06); ICAS Computer (D 06,07) Science (05) Geography (08); 'Age Champion' Athletics (05,06); Senior Tennis Champion (09-10); Football (05); Rugby (06-10) 2nd XV (2009-2010); Tennis (05-10) 2nd grade (08-09) 1st grade (09-10); Athletics (05-10) GPS Athletics team (05-09); CHS State Tennis (10); CHS State Athletics (05,06,08); Parking (09-10); Sir Roden Cutler Charities (09); Recycling committee (05-06); Lawyer.

TUGNAIT Mohit: Charities Committee (10); JCB (05); JSB (05); ICB (06); ISB (06); AMB (06); SCB (07); ICB (07); AMB (07); Bronze (05); Silver (06); Gold (07); Platinum (08); Plaque (09); BO (09); NCQ (HD 06, 09 D 05, 07); AGC(HD 06-08); ICAS – English (HD 06 D 05, 07, 09); AMC D (07-08); ICAS – Science D (06-07); ICAS – Computer Studies D (07); ICAS – Writing (05); Tennis (05-10) 1st Grade Tennis Captain (10) 2nd Grade Tennis Captain (09) 2nd Grade (08); CHS State Tennis (10); Soccer (05, 09-10) 3rd Grade Captain (10); Rugby (06-08); Area Championships Discus (09); Daffodil Day, Jeans for Genes Day; Doctor.

UBALDI Julian: JSB (05-06); Debating (07-08); ICAS-Maths (HD 05, D 09-08); ICAS-English (HD 07, D 06,08-09); ICAS-Geography (D 08); ICAS-Computer Studies (D 06-07); ICAS-Science (HD 06-08, D 09); Basketball (05); Football (05-10); Cricket (06-10); Biochemist.

UDDIN Arif: (2009-2010): Charities Committee (09-10); Recycling Committee (10); First Mathematics Extension 1 (09); ICAS- Science (D 05-09); ICAS-Computer Skills (D 05-07); ICAS- English (D 06-07, 09); AMC (D 05-06,09); MCS (HD 05); NCQ (HD 09, D 07-08); Tennis (09); Soccer (09-10); Fundraising for Sir Roden Cutler Charities, Jeans for Genes Day, Daffodil Day, Legacy Day, Movember, White Ribbon Day, Bandaged Bear Day, Red Cross Blood Donor, Oasis; Doctor or Engineer.

VI Harry: ICAS - Computer Studies (HD 07); AMC (D 05-07); ICAS - English (D 06-08); ICAS - Science (D 06 & 08); Basketball (05-10); Captain 15D Basketball (07); Football (05-09); Jeans for Genes Day; Doctor.

VO Vinh: Community Service; First Visual Arts (05); AMC (HD 05,09; D 06-08,10); ICAS- Computer Studies (D 06); ICAS- Science (HD 06; D 08); NCQ (D 09); NGC (D 08); Basketball (05-10); Football (05-09); Daffodil day, Jeans for Genes, Sir Roden Cutler, Legacy, White Ribbon Day; Diagnostic Radiographer.

WAN Sean: Gardening Committee (07-09), Recycling Committee (08-10); JCB (05); Academic

Merit List (05-06); ICAS - English (D 05); ICAS - Writing (D 05, 07-08); ICAS - Science (D 05, 08); AMC (D 05-07, 09); Tennis (05-10); Volleyball (05-10),; Jeans for Genes Day; Daffodil Day; Legacy Day; Sir Roden Cutler Charities; Oasis Charities; Architect; Civil Engineer.

WANG Guoxi Bill: ICB (05-06, 10); SCB (07); Marching Band (07, 09); Debating (07); School Plaque (09); AMC (HD 06, 08-09; D 05,07, 10); ICAS - Science (D 08); AMPEC (D 09); 16A's Rugby Coaches Award (08); 1st XV Coach's Award (09); Cricket (05-08); Basketball (09-10); Soccer (05-06); Rugby (07-10); Sir Roden Cutler Charity; Financial Advisor; Business Consultant; Business Owner.

WANG Leon: JCB (05); ICB (06-07); The Class of 2001 Prize for Outdoor Education (08); AMC (D 05-08,10); ICAS - Science (D 05-07,09); ICAS - English (D 09); NCQ (HD 09); National Geographic Channel Australian Geography Competition (HD 08, D 05); MVP 4th Grade Basketball (08); Basketball (05-10); MVP 4th Grade Basketball (08); Football (05-06); Volleyball (08,10); Sir Roden Cutler Charities; Oasis Charities; Geotechnical Engineer.

WANG Nelson: Community Services Committee (08); Cadet Unit (05-08); Strings Ensemble (05); Debating (05-08); J W Gibbes Prize (08); 1st Latin (09); AMC (HD 05 & 09, D 08 & 10); ICAS - Writing (D 07 09); ICAS - Science (D 07 08, 09, HD 10); National Latin Exam (Gold 09 & 10); Academic Achievement (05-10); Cricket (05-07); Soccer (05-06); Rugby (07); Basketball (08-10); 2nd Grade Basketball (08-09 & 09-10); Raschke Cup Champions (10); GPS Runners Up (09); Volleyball (08-10); 1st Grade Volleyball (08-10); GPS Premiers (08-10); CHS Champions (09-10), Sydney East Volleyball Rep (09-10); Combined CHS Shadow Team (10); Athletics (08-09); GPS Opens Athletics Team (09); Sir Roden Cutler Charities; Oasis; Doctor.

WANG Tony: Charities Committee; Intermediate Concert Band (07); AMC (D 05) ICAS - Geography (HD 08); Cricket (05-10) Volleyball (05-10) 2nd Grade Volleyball (08-10); Daffodil Day, Sir Roden Cutler Charities, OASIS; Stockbroker.

WANG Zidao Michael: Charities Committee (09-10); JCB (05); JSB(06); ICB (06-07); National Chinese Eisteddfod (06-10); Bronze Medallion (05); Silver Medallion (06); Gold Award (07); Platinum Award (08); School Plaque (09); AMC (Prize 09; HD 07-08; D 05-06); BSC (Prize 09-10); ICAS - English (D 05-06); ICAS - Computer Studies (D 05, 07); ICAS - Science (HD 05, 10; D 07-08); Australian Geography

Competition (D 08); MCYA (D 08; P 06); Uni of Newcastle Yr 11 Business Plan Competition (D 08); ACER Assessment of Language Competence - Chinese (D 07); HSK Chinese Proficiency Test - Level 5 (D 10); Basketball (05-10; Co-captain 3rd Grade 2010); Athletics (06-08); CHS Area Athletics (09); Rugby (05-07); Volleyball (09-10); Fundraising for Sir Roden Cutler Charity (2009), Oasis (2010), National Tree Day (2010); Investment Banker or Doctor.

WHITING James: Charities Committee (06); JSB (05); JCB (05); AMC (D 05-06); ICAS - Writing (D 06); ICAS - Science (HD 06, D 07-08); ICAS - Computer Studies (D 07); ICAS - English (D 06-07); ICAS - Geography (D 07-09); Best Sculler (10); Most Outstanding Senior Strength Trainer (Rowing) (10); Best Oarsmen (10); Rowing (05-10); 1st VIII (09)(10); Mens Open VIII CHS Champions (10); Vice Captain Of Boats (10); Rugby (05-10); 1st XV (09)(10); Skiing Team (05-10); Co-Captain Skiing (10); Zone Athletics (06-07); Tennis (05); Cricket (10); Roden Cutler Charities; Youth Off The Streets; Skier/Film-Maker.

WONG **Christopher:** Community Services Committee (08-10); Guitar Ensemble (05-07); "Most Improved" Guitar Ensemble (05); Debating (05-10); 2nd Grade (09); 3rd Grade Captain (10); Eastside Debating Competition Winners (07, 09); Bronze (05); Silver (06); Gold (07); Platinum (08); School Plague (09): P&C Prize for 2nd (09): 1st Legal Studies (09): 1st Science (08);PWC Australian **Economics** Competition (Prize 10, D 09); NCQ (HD 08, D 05); AMC (D 05, 08); ICAS - Writing (D 05); ICAS - English (HD 07, D 05, 08-09); ICAS - Science (HD 08, D 05, 09); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 07); NGC Geography (HD 07-08, D 06); House Badge (08); Basketball (05); Tennis (06-08); Cricket (09-10); Football (05-10); Daffodil Day, Jeans for Genes Day, Sir Roden Cutler Day; Parking; Oasis.

WONG Chun: (2009-2010): NCQ (HD 07-08, D 05-06 & 09); ICAS- Science (D 07-08); AMC (D 05-08); Rowing (09-10) 1st IV (10); GPS Swimming (09-10) Regional Swimming (09); GPS Athletics (09); GPS Cross Country (09) 1st Grade Cross Country (09) Regional Cross Country (09); 2nd Grade Fencing (09); World's Greatest Shave; Jeans For Genes Day; Architect.

WONG Erick: Recycling Committee (10); Charities Committee (09-10); Gardening Committee (07-09); Chess (08); Junior Stage Band (06); Intermediate Concert Band (07); Chamber Choir (07-10); Debating (07); NCQ (HD 09); AMC (Prize 09, D 05); ICAS - Writing (D 07); Music Pocket (09); Volleyball (06-10);

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Coxswain for 3rd IV, 1st Quad Rowing (06-09); Rifle Shooting (09); Tennis (05); Collector for Charities for White Ribbon Day; Oasis BBQ; Boggabilla BBQ; Sir Roden Cutler; Jeans for Genes; Daffodil Day; White Ribbon Day; Veterinarian; Entomologist.

WONG Evan: Junior strings Orchestra (05); ICAS - Science (D 08); AMC (D 06, 08); First for SBHS Senior Piano Competition (09); GPS Swimming (05-07); Volleyball (05, 07-10); Sir Roden Cutler (08); Oasis (10); Jeans for Genes (09); Legacy Day (08); Mechatronics Engineer.

WORMELL John: Year 7 Concert Band (05); Year 7 Stage Band (05); ICB (06); JSB (06-07); ISB (07); Marching Band (06); Symphony Orchestra (06-07); AH Pelham Prize for Classical Greek (08); The Edgar Bembrick Memorial Prize for Latin (08); Platinum Award (09); Classical Greek (09); AGC (1st Prize 07 HD 06, 08); AMC (Prize 06-09 HD 05); AMO (Silver 09 Bronze 08); APMO (HM 09); ICAS - Maths (HD 05); ICAS - Writing (D 07); ICAS - English (HD 06, 08 D 09); ICAS - Computer Studies (D 05, 07); ICAS - Science (HD 08-09 D 05-07); Mathsearch (D 07); NCQ (HD 05-09); NLE (SCL 09); UNSWMC (1st Prize 07 3rd Prize 08 C Merit 06); Rowing (05-09); Cricket (09-10); Soccer (08-10); Mathematician.

WU Andrew: High Resolves Leadership Club (07-10); Amnesty International (09-10); Charities Committee (08-10); Archive Committee (08-10); Recycling Committee (05-10);Gardening Committee (05-10); String Orchestra (05); Junior String Ensemble (05); School Plaque (09); Platinum Medallion (08); Gold Medallion (07); Silver Medallion (06); Bronze Medallion (05); 1st- Commerce (07); AMC (D 05-07); MCS (HD 07); MCYA (D 07); NCQ (HD 06, D 05); PricewaterhouseCoopers Australian Business Studies Competition (HD 09, D 08); National Geographic Australian Geography Competition (D 08); National Latin Exam (Silver Medallion 09-10); ICAS- Science (D 08); ICAS-Computer Studies (D 05); Doltan Cup Football Trophy(09); Tennis (05-10); Football (08-10); Captain 16D Football (08); Fencing (06-07); Sir Roden Cutler Charities (09-10); Clean Up Australia Campaign (08-10); Parking Assistant (08); Fundraising for Sir Roden Cutler Charities, Stewart House, Oasis Charities, Jeans for Genes Day; World Refugee Day Soccer Match- SBHS Representative (10); Architect and Property Developer.

WU Kevin: Cadets (08-09); Dux Science (05); AMC (D 05-06,09); ICAS-Writing (D 05,07-08).

WU Oliver: Cadet Unit (05-07); AMC (HD 05, 07-09, Prize 06); ICAS - Science (HD 06 & 08, D 09); ICAS - English (D 06); ICAS - Computer Studies (D 07); ICAS - Geography (HD 06-08); Basketball (05); Football (06 & 08); Cross Country (09-10); Fundraising for Sir Roden Cutler Charity; Doctor, Dentist, Solicitor, Financial Consultant, Actuary.

XIAO Tony: ICAS -Maths (D 05,06,09), ICAS - English (D 07), ICAS - Science (HD 06, D 07); Basketball (05-10), Soccer (05-10), Athletics (05,06,07,10); Sir Roden Cutler (09), Oasis (10); Vet Science.

XIE Andy: JCB (05-06); ICB (07); Marching Band (06-07); AMC (HD 06; D 05, 10); ICAS - English (D 06-09); ICAS - Science (D 06, 08); ICAS - Computer Studies (06-07); Basketball (05); Football (06-08); Rifle shooting (08-10); Captain of Second Grade Rifle Shooting (10); Cadet Unit (05, 09-10)Fundraising for Youth off the Streets; Sir Roden Cutler Charity.

YAN Bailey Yuxiao: ICAS Writing (D 06); Science (D 06-07, 10); AMC (HD 09, D 07-08) Geography (D 08); Football (08); Cross Country (2009-2010); Rifle Shooting (2010); Sir Roden Cutler Drive (09); Rifle Parking (10).

YAN Ding: Junior Concert Band(05) Senior Concert Band(06-07) Junior Stage Band(05) Intermediate Stage Band(06-07) Marching Band(06); Dux of Music (08); ICAS-Science(HD 06; D 05, 07-08) ICAS-Computing Skills(HD 07) NCQ(HD 08; D 07) AMC (HD 07; D 05-06, 08); Basketball (05-10) Soccer(06-08) Volleyball(09); Sir Roden Cutler Day, Oasis; Doctor.

YOON Stephen: Recycling Committee; Phillip Seymour Prize for Third (07); The Peter Walker Award for English Literature - Year 9 (07); AMC (HD 09, D 05-06, 08); AMPEC (D 09); BSC (HD 09 and cash prize); ICAS - English (D 07); ICAS - Computer Studies (D 07); ICAS - Writing (D 07); University of Newcastle Business Plan Competition (HD 09); Basketball (05-10); 1st Grade Basketball (07-10); Vice-captain 1st Grade Basketball (10); Athletics (08-10); Rugby (06-10); First XV Rugby (09-10); Football (05); NSW Combined 2nd Grade Basketball (10); Raschke Cup Winners (10); Regional, State Athletics (07-09); NSW All-Schools Basketball (09-10); CHS Basketball (07-

10); Nationals Schools Basketball (10); Sir Roden Cutler Charity; Daffodil Day; Oasis; Lawyer, Investment banker.

ZHANG Adrian: Charities Committee (10); Recycling Committee (05, 09-10); Vocal Ensemble (05-06); Debating (05); Chinese Eisteddfod (06-08); Keith C Cameron Memorial Prize for DUX (09); Sir Frederick Jordan Memorial Prize for DUX; First Chinese (06); First Commerce (08); First English Advanced (09); Platinum Medallion (09;); AMC (HD 09; D 05,07-08); NCQ (HD 07, 09; D 08); ICAS - Science (D 05, 07, 10); ICAS - Computer Skills (HD 07); BSC (HD 10); AEC (D 09); ALC (HD 07); MIP Basketball (07, 09); Tennis (05); Basketball (07-10); Volleyball (06-09); Zone Cross Country (07); Legacy Day; Daffodil Day; Jenes for Genes Day; Sir Roden Cutler Charities; National Tree Day (10); Doctor.

ZHANG David Xianwei: JSE(05-06); Debating (05-06); ICAS - Science (HD 08, D 06, 09); AMC (D 05-06, 08-09); ICAS - English (D 06, 08-09); Basketball (05-06,08); Rugby (05-06,08); Soccer (09); Water Polo 1st Grade (10); Fencing 2nd Grade (10); Sir Roden Cutler Charity Drive (09); Computer Technician.

ZHANG Michael: AMC (HD 07, D 05-06); ANCQ (09); Basketball (05-10); Football (05-09); Jeans for Genes Day; Sir Roden Cutler Charity; Oasis; Pharmacist or Science Research.

ZHENG Kun: AMC (D 06, 08-09); National Geographic Australian Geography Competition (HD 08) ICAS - Science (HD 08; D 06, 10); ICAS - English (D 08) ICAS - Computer Skills (D 06); Cross Country (07, 09-10); Cricket (05-06); Sir Roden Cutler; OASIS; Optometrist.

ZHUANG Harry: Strings Ensemble (05-06); Chinese Eisteffod (06 - First Place; 07 - Third Place); 16 Years Swimming Champion (2008); NCQ (HD 09); AMC (D 05, 07); ICAS - Science (D 06, 08); ICAS - Computer Studies(D 06); ICAS - English (D 08-09); Cricket (05-06); Basketball(07-10); Captain 6th Grade Basketball (09); Vice-Captain 7th Grade Basketball (10); Fencing (05-07); Volleyball (08-10); Jeans For Genes Day; Legacy Day; Daffodil Day; Sir Roden Cutler Charities; OASIS Charities; Optometrist, architect.

Class Lists

For Year 7 see Salvete, and for Year 12 see Valete.

Class 8E

CHAN Jeremy, CHEN Alan, CHEN Calvin, CHENG Sunny, CHONG Kevin, DAO Andrew, DE FONSEKA Lasith, DU William, HOU Bowrun, HU Allan, IP Ronald, KONG Nathan, LE Jason, LIU Geoffrey, LIU Samuel, LOI Allan, QIN Gordon, SHAO Daniel, SHI Allan, SHI Charlie, SUN Derek, TAN Willars, TANG Joseph, TRAN Anthony, ZHANG Andrew, ZHANG Daniel, ZHANG Jason, ZHANG Matthew, ZHENG Glanden, ZHOU Willie

Class 8F

ALI Abdul, ANSON Ned, CAO Andrew, CHEN Burton, CHEN Byron, CHENG Ray, CHEUNG Andrew, COOPER Jesse, FARRUGIA George, GALLAGHER Samuel, GAO Pinyan, GARRETT Jason, HANCOX Brendan, HUGHES Michael, HUO James, JI Hawk, LI David, LIU Andrew, LU Waylon, MA Jeramy, MAN Yu Peng, NORONHA Shawn, SALEH Soloman, SETHI Sunchit, STEPHENS Peter, SUBRAMANIAN Sid, TAYEH Andrew, WANG Christopher, WARING Jens, YU Jacky

Class 8M

CHAN Christopher, CHEN Anthony, CHEN Christopher, CHEN Leighton, DU Tom, FANG Ray, FENG Henry, GONG Wenbo, HASSAN Aaron, HAUSER Michael, HUANG Jimmy, KARAHASAN Anes, LAU Kohen, LIN James, LIU Kenneth, LUI Joseph, MARINOV Ivaylo, RAWNAK Ryan, TAN Robert, TANG Julian, TRAN Steve, VU Brandon, WANG Edric, WANG Sida, WONG Yiu Tao, WU William, YANG Norman, YANG Victor, ZHANG [M] Victor, ZHUANG Wei Li

Class 8R

ARULMURUGAN Rakulan, CHEN Toby, CHOI Peter, CHUNG Steven, COMNINOS Steve, FONG Terry, FREIBERG Jonathan, FUNG Michael, GUAN Brendan, GUO Robert, IRWIN Riley, KWON John, LALEE Mesbaah, LEE Eugene, LEE Lokgei, LEO Joshua, LIN Samuel, LONG Oliver, MA Jemy, NAGARAJ Sagar, NG Justin, SUNDERASAN Karthik, TRAN Dan, WANG-LY Nathan, WU Minghao, XIE Bevan, XU Harrison, YANG William, ZHANG Kevin, ZHOU William

Class 8S

BAKER Grant, BAO Andy, BELL Stefan, BUI Andrew, CHEN Leon, DUONG Damian, GU Howard, JO Young Suk Jay, KETKEO Christopher, KUANG Alex, KUANG Junjie, KWONG Brendan, LANE Joshua, LIU Kaiwei, LIU Weber, NGUYEN Timothy, OU Ethan, QI Alan, TRUONG Brian, WANG Andy, WANG Sean, XIN Michael, YU James, YUAN Anthony, ZENG Charlie, ZHANG Alan, ZHANG Jason Fan, ZHANG [S] Victor, ZHOU Byron, ZHOU Henry

Class 8T

CHEN Allen, CHIN Ricky, EVANS David, FANG Daniel, FENG David, GILL LEE Jet, HE Andrew, HUANG Jackson, HUYNH Brandon, KONG Brendan, KWOK Gideon, LAM Philip, LEE Andrew, LI Darren, LI Richard, LIU Hong Jian, LU Kevin, LY Randy, PHAM Samuel, RONG Andrew, SHI Andrew, SIM Perry, THAI Brandon, VIMALANATHAN Sai, WONG Aaron, XING Alfred, YI Rex, YU Eric, YU Michael, ZHAO Jeffrey

Class 9E

CAO James, CHAN Darryl, CHAN James, CHAU Albert, CHEN Kavan, CHEW Victor, CHIEN Darren, DIEN Denny, FENG Allan, FENG Xu-Dong, GAO Justin, HO Kenneth, HU Jason, JIN Bob, JULCA CUI Kim, KIM Daniel, KOSLOWSKI Wilber, KUMARESWARAN Sumen, LAM Jason, LAM Maurice, LEUNG Brian, LI Edwin, LI Ian, LI Jerry, LUU Edward, MAH Dominic, NGUYEN Alexander, NORMAN Jay, RYNSAARDT Patrick, TAM Daniel, WANG James, WEI Andrew, XU Johnson, YU Eamon

Class 9F

BUI Andrew, CAO Edward, CHANG Michael, CHEN Patrick, FRANCE Nicholas, GIANG Kevin, HE Brian, HU Yang, JAMES Marcus, JIAN Jacky, KIRK Oliver, LE River, LI Michael, LIANG Mendel, MAI Han Lin, MO Benjamin, PALLANDI Jaan, STOJANOVIK Marco, TANG Nelson, VISWANADHAM Subhash, VO Danny, WEI Daniel, WONG Dennis, WU Andrew, WU Tin, YING Kongwei, YU Jiamin, YU Kenneth, ZHANG David, ZHANG Junhao, ZHANG Lawrence, ZHOU Terence, ZHU Hardy, ZHU Jacky

Class 9M

CHAN Ashley, CHEN George, CHEW Timothy, CHOI William, DENG Martin, DHAMOON Kritman, GHEZELBASH Dennis, HE Edgar, HO Erwin, JOSHI Tushar, KUANG Kenny, LAM Jackson, LI Ken, LIN Nicholas, LY Elbert, MA James, MAO Chris, MERONI Oliver, NGO Steven, PAN Kin, PUNEKAR Arjun, RAMESH Anirudh, ROBINSON Connor, SAGGAR Dhruv, TAM William, THAYALAN Visakan, TRAN Ronald, VYAS Khushaal, WENG Jason, XIE Wilton, XU Alex, YORK Calum, ZHANG Edward

Class 9R

ANGELL Braden, CHANG William, GU Howjer, GUO Stephen, HAVIER Thomas, HUANG Ian, HUSSAINI Sikandar, KO Dong, LAZARUS Nevin, LI Marshall, LIN Daniel, LIU Kenny, LIU Michael, LU Jeffrey, LUONG Simon, MA William, NENE Sameer, NGUYEN Anthony, NGUYEN Nam, OW Terence-Kent, PEREIRA Alexander, PHAM Kevin, PHAM Vincent, PILIEN Timothy, THOM Aidan, WANG Shuming, WU Wilbert, WU Ying, XI Ryan, YANG Jeffrey, YEUNG Jasper, ZHANG Frank, ZHENG Jason

Class 9S

CHA Andrew, CHEN James, CHUNG Jisoo, COSTA Nicholas, DU Sherman, DUONG Dennis, GONG Michael, HO Victor, HUANG Ken, JONES Louis, KIM Jonathan, KOO Edward, LAM Hayden, LI Terence, LI Tony, LIU Cosmo, LUO Yongbin, NI Jeffrey, PENG Jeff, PHAM Terence, PRAPAKARAN Vishakulan, SUBASINGHE ARACHCHIG Thilan, THUSHYANTHAN Shivaangar, TRAN Dominic, TU William, VU Andrew, XU Carl, XU Eric, YIP Jerry, ZHANG Hans, ZHOU Anthony, ZHOU Scott, ZHU Louis

Class 9T

AUTAR Nirav, BHAKRI Vasu, BUI Don, CHAO Max, CHEN Derek, CHEN Ricky, CHO Junhee, CHUNG Timothy, CLEMENTS-LENDRUM Jonathan, COLLIER Timothy, CORDAS Daniel, DAO James, DENG Bill, DEWAN Ryan, DUFFY Owen, DUMONET Tigger, DZERO George, JOSEPH Anoj, KALUVE Anup, KELLY Eamon, KEOGH Daniel, KERR Albert, LEE Gordon, LEE Jonathan, METCALF Ivor, NAYAK Agnish, PUVANENDRAN Vitthuran, RABONE Hayden, SHI Yuan, STONEHAM Alan, SUFIAN Safat, WANG Austin

Class 10E

AHMED Sanbib, ANSAREEN Ahdil, BOOTH Adam, CHAN Adrian, CHEN Howe, CHIEN Max, DE LA COUR Luke, FANG Leo, FAYEZ Joshua, GUPTAA Dhruv, HAN Yiwei, JONES Daniel, LAM Brian, LAU Kenny, LAU Tommy, MINITHANTRI Gananatha, MONTANARO Timothy, NGUYEN Thomas, PAUL Ankur, PHAM Michael, PINTO Christopher, RAHMAN Nayan, SETHI Siddharth, SMITH Daniel, SONG Max, TRANG Stephen, WU Andrew, WU Felix, XU Kevin, YU Johnny, ZENG David, ZHANG Thomas, ZHAO Lyman, ZOU Jack

Class 10F

ADHIKA Jonathan, ANDREWS David, CEH Adam, CHU Kevin, CHUNG Lawlex, FENG Shi, FONG Daryl, HEO Harry, HO Chun, HO William, ISKANDAR Mark, LAM Michael, LEE Benjamen, LEE Michael, LIEU Ethan, LIN Hung-Ting, LIN Richard, LIN Wilson, LY Nathan, MAHAJAN Rohan, MANAHAN Rodrigo, MARQUES Sam, NG Darren, NG Eric, NGUYEN Michael, OEI Christopher, OOI Nicholas, PERRIS Lloyd, PHAN Adrian, SOO Anthony, STACK Conor, YANG Justin, YE Vincent, ZHANG Kenny

Class 10M

BROKMAN Anton, CHAU Brandon, CHIAM Christopher, DHINGRA Sachin, DIAS Sudam, DUTTA Krishnendu, EDGTTON Julian, FANG Lucas, FONG Andrew, HANG Tony, HOQUE Emtiazul, HOQUE Shumit, HUGHES Alexander, JONES Max, KOUKOURAS Jim, KRAHE Kevin, LAIRD Benjamin, LI Eric, McDONALD Matthew, MOON Andrew, NGUYEN Lawrence, NGUYEN Vincent, PARADEZA Marc, PHAM Jason, PINIDIYA Nicky, PRAKASH Sooraj, PRUSTY Suman, REIYDER Slava, REN Jonathan, SAKSENA Aman, SHAH Vivek, TRUONG David, VISVAA Krishna, WU Peter

Class 10R

AYALASOMAYAJULA Akhilesh, CHEN Vincent, DUTTA Abhi, FU Allen, GARAY Jasper, HAN Nicholas, JIANG Jeffrey, KATUPITIYA Lalitha, KE Kirby, LEE Oscar, LI Frank, LIANG Jordan, LO Justin, McGLENCHY Blake, MENG Fred, MOK Thomas, NGUYEN Jason, PAK Shaun, PARK Jun-Hyuk, SAMARASINGHE Gamitha, TSAI Jamison, USEELANANTHAN Rukshan, VUONG Jamian, WAN Cameron, WEI Hunter, WU Yujin, YANG Jacky, YAO Jeremy, YU Hiram, YUAN William, YUN Brendan, ZHOU Jerry, ZHOU William

Class 10S

CHEN Tony, CHIN Ming, CHIN Timothy, DAY Lachlan, DO Joshua, DONG James, FLETCHER Shaun, HUA Raymond, IYER Tejas, KATUPITIYA Lahiru, KHAN Abeer, KIM John, KRAKOVSKY Patrick, LAU Andrew, LIANG Gary, LIU Harry, LUIKER Carl, MOFFAT Jesse, MOHAMED RIZVI Zafar, NAOUMOV Edward, NG Angus, NG Joel, PAN Ming, QUAZI Shubash, RANDLES William, SCHWARZ Michail, SUTTON Gavin, TANG Nathan, WANG David, WILCOX Ben, WONG Kah-Yang, YE Chris, YIM Minwoo

Class 10T

BAXTER William, BIRCH Maximilian, CHAN Mathew, CONNOLLY Tom, DANIELS Bartholomew, DELANEY Matthew, DO Simon, FOO Derrick, FUNSTON Toby, GHEZELBASH David, HILLIER Benjamin, JEYARASA Branavan, KWAN Campbell, LEE Raymond, LEUNG Kevin, LIANG Daniel, LING Tian, MA Nan, MEHMEDBASIC Ennes, MOLLER Craig, NGAI Mario, PURCAL Andreas, RENZENBRINK Scott, SALEH Serag, SIVAYOGARAYAN Sai, STERNHELL Robert, WEINSTOCK Alexander, YANG Wade, YEUNG William, ZHANG Cassidy, ZHANG Leon, ZHOU Patrick, ZHU Michael

Class 11E

PANNILA Pasan, RAHMAN Maaz, RAZEEN Shanaz, TAN Timothy, TANG Jeffrey, WEI Max, WU Charles, XIAN Jav. XU Justin, YANG Kun, ZHENG Vinson

Class 11F

ABDOLLAHI Arman, ANANDASELVAKUMAR Vinodan, AUZOU Adrien, AZWAD Rahib, BHAGWAT Nakul, BHUIYAN Saqib, BONCH-OSMOLOVSKIY Ilya, CHEN Simon, CONNELL Maxwell, DUMOVIC Andrija, GARAYALDE Gabriel, GOLLAN Timothy, HAQUE Saif, HO David, JURLINA Christian, KIM Isaac, KINGER Samir, KOBRAS Maximilian, LUO Tony, MARTIN Sean, McDONALD Ryan, MORROW Christopher, PETRENAS Matthew, PHUNG Michael, REID Michael, ROBERTSON Michael, ROZSA Marcell, SALAGAME Sujay, SELVAKKUMAR Denaysh, SIDDIQUEE Raghib, SINGH Vineet, SIT Henry, SUBASINGHE Hashan, THEIVENDRAN Thibagar, TICKNER Michael, YE Andrew

Class 11M

AMINE Samir, CAETANO Ryan, CAI Jackie, CHEN Johnny, CHEN Joshua, CHIEM Terence, DAO Dennis, DO Bryan, DONG Daniel, EVELEIGH Isaac, FANG Koren, GOREY Declan, JAIN Anshul, LEONG Nathan, LIN Anthony, LIN Francis, LIU-LI Michael, LUO Andrew, MING Lee, MIURA Ken, MOK Jonathan, MOKDAD Ali, NAAR Emmett, PARK Daniel, PHAM Francis, RASHID Shafat, SHEN Andy, STEFANIDIS William, WANG Jonson, XIONG Ling, XU Tristan, YOON Martin, ZHANG Alfred, ZHOU Jiatong, ZHU Eric

Class 11R

CAO Sunny, CHAN David, CHAN Yu Sing, CHANDRA Denny, CHAU Charlie, CHIN Aaron, CHUNG Anthony, DENG Manfred, GAFFNEY Andrew, GUNARATNE Kumudika, HUYNH Andrew, KHAN Iftiar, KIM Joshua, LEUNG Gordon, LIN Kevin, LOU Leo, LUI Joseph, NGUYEN Albert, NGUYEN David, NGUYEN Duy, PATEL Veeral, PAUL Nishant, PETRIE Jonah, PHAN Kevin, PIERCE Oliver, PRABAHARAN Nathan Prashan, SABAU Oliver, SAITO-PATCH Jordan, SIDDIQUI Sheikh, SIVAYOGARAYAN Krishan, WANG David, WEI Derek, WONG Maan, ZAMAN Isnad, ZHANG Joseph

Class 11S

CAI Lawrence, CHAN Timothy, CHEUNG Dominic, DIEP Thomas, GU Ryan, HO Ian, HO Kerry, KIM Dennis, KOK Nathan, LE Vivian, LEO Brendan, LI Gordon, LI Richard, LOMOV Nikita, LU Henry, MORRISON Cameron, NGUYEN Dominic, NGUYEN Kenneth, PAN Carl, PRICE Caspar, SHAO Ken, SHAO William, SO Matthew, SOORIAKUMAR Sivasaran, SUBRAMANIAM Sangeeth, TIAN Kevin, TIU Jacky, TRAN Howard, TRAN Peter, WONG William, WONG Yale, WOO Ryan, WU Andy, ZHAI Raymond, ZHOU Kevin

Class 11T

AUTAR Nikhil, BARI Ishmam, BESTON Samuel, CASTILLO Paulo, CHENG Botong, CHENG Kit Man, CHOWDHURY Yasar, DANZIGER Shimon, DISSANAYAKE Subhodh, DO Cornelius, GEORGE Vivin, GONG Andrew, HAU Andrew, KANAGARATNAM Anosh, KHOO Samuel, LI Daniel, LI Leon, LIU Wen Jia, LU Leo, LY Austin, OVADIA Eric, PANAS George, QIAN Kevin, ROMEO Giancarlo, RUDDER Ashwin, SARKER Abdullah, SETHI Varun, SHAHRIYAR Tahmid, SHELDON Leon, SHI Dawen, TOROK Francis, WANG Vincent, WEIGHT Samuel, WONG Michael, XU Anthony

Sydney Boys High School Parent and Citizens Association (P&C) Report

The ability of Sydney Boys High to achieve its objective of developing scholar sportsmen is greatly enhanced by the involvement of parents. The 2010 year has been very productive for Sydney Boys High P&C with increasing levels of contribution by parents to school activities. Highlights include:

- the third successful whole School community function hosted by the P&C – SBHS Big Night Out;
- the continued development of a comprehensive P&C website linked to the School's website, including the P&C BLOG;
- a more targeted approach to assisting new parents to become involved in the School community;
- 4. purchase of a replacement School bus;
- 5. equipping the School's redeveloped Great hall kitchen to enhance School group functions and expand external hiring opportunities;
- extensive support by parents for Capital Campaign 2010;
- 7. substantial profits contributed to the School by the Canteen.

The time and effort put in by the P&C Executive are tremendously appreciated. Thank you to Geoff Andrews (Vice President), Seh Hang H'ng (Vice President), Deborah Cassell (Secretary) Anne Wall (Assistant Secretary), Louisa Chan (Treasurer) and Shilpa Punekar (Treasurer) for their energy and support throughout the year. Thank you to Fabienne Ovadia (Student Wellbeing Committee Representative) and Alice Paul (Car Parking Coordinator) for their valuable contributions in these capacities. Barbara Taylor leaves the School after many years of invaluable contribution in many roles. Warmest thanks to Barbara.

Year Group (7 to 12) parent representatives also attend P&C Executive meetings each month. Their contributions and support have been invaluable in assisting the P&C to identify specific year issues and to advance the best interests of the School and its students. The Year Group parents have also been active in organising both informative and social evenings for their year groups.

P&C Funding Contributions to School Programs

Over \$175,000 has been disbursed by the P&C to the School during the year and this figure does not include funds raised by the P&C's co-curricular Sub-Committees for the direct support of the sport or activity they are working for. This unprecedented level of financial support to School programs has been made possible through a combination of funds set aside in term deposit targeted for the purchase a replacement School bus, P&C membership fees, provision of event car parking within the school grounds, funds raised by whole School community events and profits from the School Canteen.

Special thanks to the Canteen Sub-Committee, led by Katrina Morrow, who together with the permanent Canteen staff and our large group of parent volunteers, have delivered over \$70,000 back to the School. The dedication and energy of the Canteen team continue to produce outstanding dividends from year to year.

The P&C has contributed to School programs including: installation of data projectors and sound systems in classrooms (\$55,000); final annual repayment of the loan for the tennis court redevelopment (\$10,000); and replacement of the School bus (\$110,000).

P&C Events

There is a growing band of committed members of the P&C who have assisted in exceptional and numerous ways to P&C activities. Thank you to Charles Ovadia, Seh Hang H'ng and their team of organisers and chefs for delivering another successful whole School community event. SBHS Big Night Out held in March, was a great success with food stalls, music and dance from many cultures represented in the School. February's Welcome Cocktail Party for new parents was very well attended. Thank you to Anne Wall for her organisation.

P&C meeting highlights for 2010 included presentations by Elevate Education on how to support our son's study practices and time management skills and the annual joint meeting with Sydney Girls High School, this year featuring a

presentation by Dr Michael Carr-Gregg on "The Five Greatest Challenges for Parents in 2010".

Co-Curricular Sub-Committees

Parent involvement is essential to the fundraising and organisation of the extensive co-curricular program available to High students. Many of these co-curricular activities are not available at other public schools. Thank you to the parent Sub-Committees and their growing teams of parent volunteers for their exceptional efforts throughout 2010.

Co-curricular Sub-Committees raised over \$175,000 in car parking revenues to provide coaching, equipment and facilities for each activity. Significant progress has been made in the organisation of co-curricular programs to keep parents involved and informed - in particular through the use of G-mail accounts specific to each group. Involvement in co-curricular Sub-Committees continues to provide parents with an opportunity to contribute to their son's education, from volunteering for car parking or BBQ rosters through to chairing a Sub-Committee.

P&C Projects

The P&C continues to build upon the intranet archive for all P&C and co-curricular Sub-Committee information for parent volunteers and the P&C BLOG is gathering momentum. Thank you to all those involved – particularly David Isaacs - for your time and energy in establishing and maintaining this resource.

The Capital Campaign 2010 mail out to parents was greatly supported by a team of parents who are committed to contacting fellow parents to outline the details of the current Capital Campaign. Thank you to all those involved for your tremendous contribution.

The P&C Executive and Year Group representatives worked hard through the year on several ongoing P&C projects that will carry over into 2011. These include:

- Broadening recycling within the School, in cooperation with the SRC and School Council.
- Refurbishing the Staff Common Room, in cooperation with the School Council and High Staff.
- Increasing community participation in whole School events.

- 4. Improving the central P&C and co-curricular Sub-Committee information database.
- 5. Expanding Capital Campaign 2010-2011.
- Targeting the Orientation Day program to more clearly inform parents of their opportunities to be involved in the community of Sydney Boys High School to the benefit of their son's education.

P&C Representation on the Sydney High School Foundation

Another key area of activity for the P&C is its representation on the Sydney High School Foundation. Sincerest thanks to Shane Brown (retiring Foundation Chair), Mark Paul, David McDonald (retiring Foundation Secretary), Ish Rajendram and Geoff Andrews for the tremendous contributions made to the business of the Foundation on behalf of the P&C.

P&C Representation on the School Council

Thank you to Charles Ovadia, Geoff Andrews and Anne Wall who represented the P&C at School Council meetings. At Council, the P&C contributed a community perspective on various School policies and continues to work with the SRC on broadening the School's recycling commitment.

During the year, the parent community also participated on selection panels for the appointment of teaching and administrative positions within the School.

There is a tremendous level of cooperation and common purpose between Dr Jaggar, the School Executive and Staff, the School Council, the SHS Foundation, the SHS Old Boys Union and the P&C. We thank all of these individuals and organisations for their interest and support of the P&C throughout the year and look forward to our combined efforts during 2011.

Thank you to all in the High community who have assisted in some way throughout the year. Every contribution great or small is vital, significant and valued. Our School community is noticeably and directly benefitted by your involvement.

On behalf of the P&C, I extend our warmest thanks to Dr Jaggar and the Staff at High who continue to provide a stimulating and enriching school environment for our sons and to guide the School in our shared ethos to develop scholar sportsmen.

Julie Connolly, President

Old Boys Union

Throughout the past 12 months, the Old Boys' Union has again adhered to its primary aim of keeping Old Boys in touch; in touch with each other, in touch with their old school and in touch with members of other GPS schools.

We have achieved this through our regular e-Bulletins, The High Bulletin and the OBU website - http://www.shsobu.org.au. I would like to thank **Samson Lou** (2007) for his sterling efforts in producing the *High Bulletin* as well as all those other Old Boys who have contributed material.

The Executive Council has been turning its attention to increasing the profile of Old Boys and the OBU in the School community and of increasing the opportunities for interaction between the past and current students. In this regard, a particularly successful reunion for Old Boys who left the School in 1945 or earlier was held at the School on 4 August 2010. Over 80 over 80-years-old took the opportunity to revisit their Old School, meet some of the current prefects and catch up with old mates. Special thanks should go to Julie Blomberg for organising the event and to the prefects for looking after the Old Boys and showing them around the School.

It is also encouraging to note the School's recognition of Old Boy achievement in two projects that have been advancing with the Principal's full support:

- An honour board commemorating Old Boy Officers of the Order of Australia (AO) was unveiled at the Foundation Day assembly, this year. It joins the other honour boards recognising old boy OAMs and AMs that were unveiled in 2008 and 2009.
- The second of the post-1945 conflicts honour boards was unveiled at the School's 2010 Anzac commemoration, honouring the Old Boys who served in the Vietnam War.

A new constitution for the OBU was approved at a general meeting held on 23 February 2010 and entered into effect on 22 March 2010. The new constitution was the result of the efforts of a review committee, consisting of the myself, **Viv Littlewood** (1952) and **Michael Diamond** (1952), which produced a more accessible document that better meets the contemporary needs of the OBU. It has been agreed that constitutional review and amendment will become a regular feature of OBU corporate governance.

The OBU's financial position has improved in the past 12 months and I would like to pay tribute to **James Solomons** (1998) for his work as treasurer. Membership is on the rise again and we have now invested in a mobile merchant facility to take to School events to provide easier opportunities for Old Boys to join or renew their membership.

Another important role for the OBU is the supply of delegates to the School's governance bodies. I would like to record my personal appreciation of all those who have performed these roles over 2009: On the Foundation, **Graeme Anderson** (1979), and **James Solomons** (2005) as treasurer; and on the School Council, **Dennis Briggs** (1967).

Ross Bowey (1974) has been fulfiling the important role of delegate to the GPS OBU and, this year, has also taken on the role of president of the GPS OBU. It was, therefore, also our turn to host the GPS OBU Ecumenical Church Service, which Ross organised on 29 August 2010 with the very able assistance of Rev Gordon Ramsay (1982) and Phil Lambert (1955) at the organ console.

More spectacularly, the Old Boys from the class of 1977 defeated the other 50-year-old GPS old boys in the GPS Gold Challenge, held on 9 October 2010. A new Gold Challenge trophy, for swimming, was also presented for the first time. It was named in honour of **Ken Baret** (1940). Ken was for many years the president of the High Club, a member of the OBU Executive Council, and the SHS delegate to the GPS OBU. While at School, among many other athletic and sporting attainments, he was School swimming champion in 1939 and captain of the Senior Swimming team in 1940.

Projects that will continue into next year, include:

- the migration of the membership database to a more user-friendly, web-based environment to allow better tageting of communications to the various interest groups within the Old Boy community; and
- the establishment of a mentorship network so that older Old Boys can provide careers advice and assistance to younger Old Boys.

In concluding, I would like to thank all those Old Boys and other supporters who have committed to ensuring the OBU's future relevance both to its members and to the School community.

Joseph Waugh, President

Welfare Report

2010 has been a year of significant expansion in the areas of Leadership, Volunteering and Community Service.

In the last two years we have provided leadership training for our major groups through an outside agency called Rising Generations to help students better understand and develop strategies for collaborative teamwork, initiative, confidence and motivation building. The Prefects, SRC and Community Service Executive have all benefited from the specific coursework presented by these experts in the area of Leadership Development.

The High Resolves Initiative, coordinated by Mr Coan, continues to develop exceptional leaders and the Year 10 group have had the opportunity to participate in the first Community Action Project. This project is the next phase after the school action project and allows students to apply their skills, knowledge and understandings from their earlier training to situations which exist in the real world. The project partners the group with a community organisation or company who identify a challenge on which students can work. The group challenge identified this year was the rights and abuse of women worldwide and the students worked closely with UNWOMEN and were sponsored by Deloitte. They worked collaboratively using the idea of collective action to develop a presentation which could be delivered to a variety of schools. The main purpose of the presentation was to raise awareness about the plight of women around the world who, for whatever reason, are subject to abuse, inequality or hardship. Their presentation was warmly received by two girls schools, two boys schools and coeducational audiences and included some confronting information and statistics. A new Year 9 Leadership group has already been chosen and has begun their training to prepare them for their community challenge in 2011. On Thursday 29th October the 55 High Resolves Leaders from Years 9 & 10 attended the Annual Summit at the University of New South Wales. This is always a popular day for students to come together with representatives from other schools and listen to high profile, motivational speakers and share stories about their experiences as part of the High Resolves Initiative. I would like to congratulate Mr Coan, Lee Martin (HR Program Manager) and the Year 10 students for their hard work and determination in achieving such successful leadership outcomes this year.

The Community Service Group continues to expand under the watchful eye of Ms Kaye and it has become one of the busiest groups in the school. This year we have not only had fundraising activities for all our highly valued groups (Stewart House, Jeans for Genes, Boggabilla Central School, Lak Saviya, Sir Roden Cutler and Oasis) but we have also sent large teams of students out for combined SBHS and SGHS blood drives (Australian Red Cross), raised awareness and funding for Movember (Beyond Blue and Prostate Cancer Research), White Ribbon Day, Daffodil Day and Legacy, as well as forging strong ties with Cleveland Street Intensive Language School to assist with peer tutoring English conversation. Our application to become a member school for the NSW Premier's Volunteering Award Scheme was successful and in order to make progress in this area we have asked Mr Phillipson to take on the role of Community Service Administrator to assist Ms Kaye in the collection and processing of student participation records for the Award Scheme databases. A large number of students have joined our working parties to make a contribution to the growing number of scheduled events throughout the year. Particular mention must be made about the exceptional effort of the Year 12 men who gave their time so generously in their final week of school, raising over \$17,000 for Oasis (Salvation Army) to assist homeless youth. We are extremely proud of their contribution and



Blood Donors make an important contribution to save lives

support for such an important cause. Ms Kaye's dedication and commitment to the area of Community Service are also particularly praiseworthy and she must be congratulated on her outstanding efforts to ensure so many students fully appreciate the value of giving and caring for others.

The Student Representative Council (SRC) continues to provide valuable support and initiative for a variety of special projects within and outside the school. A roster has been developed to ensure students attend all School Council meetings to present reports on activities and recommendations for improvements. This has brought about a fundamental shift in the direct communication between students and the major governing bodies of the school which has significantly enhanced the profile and influence of students in decision making processes. Ms Collignon has provided strong quidance for the elected students and has coordinated high profile events throughout the year to allow them the opportunity to demonstrate their developing leadership skills. Among the many events she has organised this year, six students were selected to represent SBHS at the most recent Eastern Region Youth Health Forum, a group attended the Leadership Convention held at Homebush on the 11th June and representatives were sent to all Regional and State SRC gatherings. The combined SBHS and SGHS SRC Trivia Night in term 3 was a huge success and thoroughly enjoyed by both students and teachers, all reporting it to be one of the most fun nights on the school calendar.

Our Values Education programs have been significantly improved due to the addition of laptops for use in the classroom. This has enabled students to access a wider range of material and to complete some tasks online. This year we have introduced new Values Education modules which have been designed by the Australian Government as part of the development of a national curriculum. We have begun with a selection of material focusing on Australian values and other modules which relate to our growing awareness of nutrition and the causes of obesity. We again supplemented our Values Education program with visits from outside agencies who made presentations to students about significant current issues which relate to adolescent wellbeing. Brainstorm Productions were well received as usual with their presentations about anti-bullying (Sticks and Stones), conflict resolution and healthy relationships (Verbal Conflict) and harm minimisation (Cheap Thrills). This year we added the play Wired to our agenda for Year 11. This play looks at the physiology and causes of stress and depression associated with the pressure of exams, relationships and everyday life and particularly the type of resilience required around HSC time. Another welcome addition to our program this year was the presentation to Year 10 of The Teenage Alchemist by the Camp Quality Performance and Education Team. The play is set in cyber space and explores the lives of two young people facing adversity. It sends important messages about making positive lifestyle choices and supporting young people living with cancer. Motivational Media returned on the 22nd of March to show us their most recent production, True North. The message this year was that we need to set ourselves guidelines if we are to safely navigate through life and reach our true potential. The main areas of focus were setting clear directions, finding true friendships, maintaining high standards and values and setting goals to give life purpose and a sense of achievement.

The Year 8 Values Ed. Adolescent website is now (www.sydneyhigh.org.au/valuesed). Glanden Zheng and Jemy Ma, with supervision from Brendan Leo Year 11, have worked diligently to compile the content for the site. Glanden and Jemy are in the process of recruiting a further 10 students to form a committee that will manage the website into the future. It is anticipated this website will provide SBHS students with a place to post information of interest to our young men in the making. Thanks also to Mr Cipolla our new Careers Adviser for his assistance with the management of this project and for the significant contribution he has made to the Senior Transition course by updating Year 10 students about subject selection, career planning and goal setting. Ms Suzanne Gordon our Senior Librarian organised representatives from the State Library to speak to all Year 10 students about the wide range of resources available to them online and through the library network. As well as this she was able to schedule a visiting author (Tristan Bancks) to make a presentation to the Senior Transition classes about creative writing in a variety of media. It is these types of additions to our programs which are adding significant value to the wellbeing and academic standards of our students.

Each year in Term 1 the expert tutors from Elevate

Education deliver a study skills day for all students in Year 11 and this ensures a positive start to HSC preparation. On the 17th March, Douglas Barton the Director of Elevate, spoke to parents about supporting their sons with establishing more efficient and realistic study habits to reduce stress and improve time management and motivation. During Terms 3 & 4 the Year Advisers worked with Elevate tutors again to support students who were identified as needing additional assistance with exam preparation. The feedback from students and teachers indicated that this support program, in addition to individual student monitoring by Year Advisers, provides valuable and welcome strategies which promote student confidence in facing their final assessment for the year.

During Term 4 we prepared for the arrival of our new students by training our next group of Peer Support Leaders (coordinated by Ms Berger) and Peer Mediators (coordinated by Ms Barr). This year we have extended our transition program to include the Year 9 Big Brother ambassadors who have visited the schools which are sending large groups of students to Sydney Boys in 2011. The program provides new students with an introduction to our school and allows our Year 9 boys an opportunity to revisit their primary school to make contact with past teachers and contribute to a more positive and welcoming transition to high school.

I would like to acknowledge and thank the Year Advisers for their hard work and support throughout the year. Their efforts, along with all the members of the Welfare Committee, our parent representative (Mrs Fabienne Ovadia) and support assistant (Mr Jerry Phillipson) mean that we can continue to provide dynamic and innovative welfare programs for our students.

John Walker (Head Teacher Student Welfare)

Canteen Report 2010

The canteen continues to provide outstanding service under our capable and enthusiastic managers, Karen and Tracey, with the support of our volunteers in canteen and a committee providing essentially administrative support.

The emphasis, in the High canteen, is on providing as much nutritious, appealing food at discounted prices, where we can, to make it as affordable as possible. Our young scholar sportsmen are largely involved in ongoing - and often intensive - training for sporting and other extra curricula activities at High. The menu caters for this, plus embracing the cultural and religious diversity of the school, by offering a large and varied range of fresh, homestyle food made onsite, for purchase at breakfast, recess and lunch in addition to popular traditional items.

This would not be possible without our volunteer workers. A real cross section of the school community is represented in the canteen with volunteers ranging from grandparents and old boys to our mum and dad teams sharing the commitment – all ably supported by our Prefect body at break times.

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It is because of the managers and volunteers efforts that the canteen is able to generate significant much needed funds that flow directly into facilities and programs specifically nominated by Dr Jaggar to support the education of our sons. The help of volunteers in the canteen over the last year have enabled the school to pay off the tennis courts as well as having interactive whiteboards and other IT technology installed in more classrooms.

In closing, it must be noted that work for our happy band of helpers in the canteen has been made more pleasant this year with the installation of a new air conditioner. Outside the canteen, a new weather canopy now also affords the students much appreciated shelter from all elements of the weather. Our thanks go to all assistance provided to canteen this year from the school body, our managers and volunteers and of course, the boys for being a constant source of seemingly insatiable teenage appetites!!

Canteen Committee

Student Representative Council



Student Representative Council

Second Row: A.Nguyen, K.Vyas, B.Nguyen, D.Kim, S.Do, J.Vuong, B.Tran, J.Lui, W.Wu, E.Hui, J.Maloof, T.Subasinghe, C.Zhou. Back Row: H.Heo, S.ang, V.Puvanendran, S.Cheng, B.McGlenchy, K-Y.Wong, H.Feng, J.Zhou, O.Lee.

Front Row: A.Wu, A.Surendran, A.Ghose, S.Kinger, Ms B.Collignon (Facilitator), I.Zaman, M.Wong, D.Chen, M.Fong.

Student Representative Council

2010 saw the Sydney High SRC embark on a new learning curve, to build upon the foundations of an effective student leadership body. The process of electing the SRC for 2010 began in early March with the online election in its third year of operation seeing a greater voter turnout and a wider, more representative student body being elected.

The annual SRC Training Day held at the Outterside Centre provided the first real opportunity for the SRC to establish a clear direction for the year ahead. The day was run by Rising Generations and with their revamped SRC Training Program, offered us an insight into overcoming the challenges and recognising the opportunities associated with running an SRC at a school with such a significant and diverse student population. The training incorporated a number of creative and engaging activities that enlightened us to the roles that as an SRC, we should look to fulfil. From viewing inspirational scenes from films, to working collectively to solve an escape path in a maze, the day included a number of activities that not only bonded the team together but presented to us, a better understanding of leadership. The day also played an important role in outlining the path for the future and our aspirations for the year. From the planning, it was agreed that this year's SRC would focus on the development of junior years, in providing them with responsibilities that will further enhance their involvement in actively voicing student concerns.

The SRC saw 2010 as the opportunity to establish a clearer, defined role that the organisation should play. With the successes of the Community Service Committee, it was agreed that the SRC would steer clear from a charity based, fundraising role and instead focus on matters directly affecting the students that we represent. Consequentially, it was decided that the three primary functions of the SRC in 2010 would be:

- I. Promote Student Participation through Social Events
- II. Follow-up on the concerns students had put forward
- III. Promote Awareness on issues around the School

The SRC aimed to promote student participation through its two major social events, the Talent Quest and Trivia Night that were run in conjunction with the Sydney Girls High School SRC. Following a full-week of auditions, the talents of Francis Pham, Miguel Castillo, Michael Zhang, Jim Nguyen and Year 12 band The Icebergs were unearthed and

performed in front of a capacity audience at the Great Hall, with The Icebergs being chosen by the judges as the best act on the day. The annual SRC Trivia Night proved to be a night of food, fun, games and of course, challenging Trivia. For the second year in a row, over 200 students and staff (from both SBHS and SGHS) packed into the Great Hall with a Year 12 table from Sydney Boys eventually running out as the winners of the night and taking home \$500 in prizes.

The primary role of any SRC is to represent the concerns of students. In 2010, we were privileged to once again have representation on the School Council where we had the prime opportunity to put ideas raised at our lunchtime SRC meetings, forward on the table for discussion by the School Council. The guidance of the School Council has allowed us to better shape our focus areas on issues, with the main concerns the SRC worked on this year included the development of a proposal for a new 610 early morning bus, Gym Maintenance, Bus Lines along with Recycling and the environment. Many of these issues will continue to be explored, and worked upon by future SRCs with an outcome being very difficult to derive over just one year.

The final function of the SRC was to promote awareness on different issues surrounding the school and the community. The World's Greatest Shave saw over 30 teachers and students offer to shave their heads or facial hair at a school-run lunchtime event, for the Leukaemia Foundation. The volunteers headed by SRC Vice President, Isnad Zaman raised over \$10000 for the Foundation, the most we have ever raised! Along with the various senior students who willingly shaved their heads for charity, Mr Kesting and Mr Kay were along our star recruits and certainly sparked widespread interest in the event.

It is important that future SRCs take on board the lessons we have learnt this year. Sustaining involvement from the junior years is paramount to ensuring the effective functioning of any SRC, but in particular the SBHS SRC. In closing, I would like to thank Ms Collignon for her continued support for the SRC and the fellow executive of Isnad Zaman (Vice President) and Michael Wong (Secretary) for helping to ensure that the SRC for 2010 continued the platform of success of previous SRCs.

Samir Kinger SRC President 2010

Community Service

The SBHS Community Service Committee is dedicated to supporting important causes that improve health and well being and address social justice issues in the wider community. This year's core student leadership and teamwork in running these events was excellent. Mufti days and barbecues for each year group are our bread and butter, and we were well supported by a wide range of students in these as well as the external collections such as Daffodil Day and Jeans for Genes Day, and two very efficient Red Cross blood drives. The committee's volunteers are able to practise leadership skills, and develop their team work and willingness to help others.

Each year the student volunteers attempt to diversify our activities, collaborate more with other groups within the school and establish new links with other schools in order to increase the effectiveness of our activities and foster a continual process of development.

As we go to print we have raised over \$14,000 for a range of groups including

Stewart House, Jeans for Genes, Lak Saviya, The Salvos OASIS centre, the Cancer Council, Legacy, Sir Roden Cutler Charities, and Boggabilla Central School.

The year is not over yet and we look forward to a successful Movember and White Ribbon Day.

Ms. Kaye and Mr Phillipson must be applauded for their assistance in the conception of ideas, organisation and administration. 2010 has been a year of huge success and improvement for the CSC. We wish the new leadership team the best for a wonderful 2011.

Yixin Liu CSC Chair, and Josh Sutton, CSC Publicity Officer

The Sydney Boys Amnesty International Group

Sydney Boys High Amnesty International Group report

In 2010 the Sydney Boys Amnesty International group had another successful year growing in membership and campaigning for human rights and social justice. Bao Khuu and John Lee led the group with a strong focus on the issue of treatment of asylum seekers, raising awareness about the freeze on processing Afghani and Sri Lankan refugees and the issue of kids in detention on Christmas Island

The biggest event on our calendar was World Refugee Day on June 15. In a combined effort with the Sydney Boys High Islamic society and the Sydney Girls High Amnesty group, we hosted a blockbuster gala event which featured a mufti day and barbecue, and a soccer-friendly with teams made up from students from Sydney Boys, Sydney Girls and the Cleveland Street Intensive English High School. Organising legends Andrew Gaffney and Yale Wong spearheaded this campaign where we raised almost \$3000 for the Refugee Council of Australia, but even more importantly we hope we began to forge deep and lasting friendships with our neighbouring schools.

Thank you to all of the students who helped with the event and to all the teachers and students who helped contribute to World Refugee Day, and continue to support the many charities and events that occur today in 2010.

John Lee, Leader, Sydney Boys High Amnesty International



McDonald Senior Library

2010 has been a year of firsts for the McDonald Senior Library with the establishment of the space in the McDonald wing becoming a place where all senior students are able to come and work productively to complete assignments, research and read and become in general a place of inquiry and learning. The library now has both online and book resources with the addition of new books from the Book Fair in May and continuing the process with addition of specifically "senior" books being transferred from the Andrews Junior Library as the year proceeded.

The focus has shifted from being a "senior study" where students have viewed this area in the past as a place for relaxation and other activities which were not necessarily associated with school work! The purchase of lounges as well as desks, chairs and computer benches, shelving and display furniture has been happening during the last year as well, and we hope to expand into adjoining areas in the future to house the increasing number of books and other excellent senior resources transferred from the Andrews library and as well as the new resources added.

The appointment of a qualified teacher librarian to develop the collection, establish procedures and policies and provide academic support has been an important and vital aspect of the new library. As well, a library assistant has been employed two days per week to assist with the processing of new resources, transfer of senior suitable materials from the Andrews Junior library, and to provide support generally in many library tasks. The two teacher librarians have been collaborating to ensure that the development of the "senior" library continues the excellent service to students and teachers that has been provided in the past solely in the Andrews library.

Previously, because initially books weren't available during the transition to a library for the use of seniors, the library had been seen as a purely "cyber" library. However, with the addition of books and magazines and new encyclopaedia databases, the McDonald Senior Library is evolving into a fully functional resource centre fulfilling the guidelines in the DET Handbook for School Libraries (1996 and republished online 2007).

In this document it states that students,..."[i]n order

to become active learners, ... need access to a broad range of information sources and services to cater for their individual learning needs and styles." It also it states that..."[r]esources selected need to be varied in format and, as well as books, include a range of materials such as audiovisual items, computer software, games, models, magazines, and newspapers."

To achieve this and for the benefit of our students, the development of a balanced and varied collection of resources will be continued into the future with the purchase of the latest appropriate, quality fiction, non-fiction, magazines and reference material in various formats

Students and teachers now have access to excellent academic databases through the school Intranet portal from school and at home. These research tools include school subscriptions to:

Encyclopaedia Britannica Online – search levelappropriate reference articles, journals and magazines, the web's best sites, multimedia, and curriculum Content; JSTOR – an archive of important scholarly journals covering many disciplines including English, History, Economics, Law, Sciences and Mathematics and suitable especially for senior students doing extension subjects; Herald in the Classroom – "offers practical resources and a critical forum for teachers of a wide range of subjects including English, Business Studies, Visual Arts, HSIE, Science, Computing Studies, PDHPE and more".

We now have access to several new online resources via the Education and Training Information Service (DET) including *EBSCOHost* – a large online collection of quality journal articles, papers and reports and *Proquest* – which "offers billions of pages of global content that includes historical newspapers, dissertations, and uniquely relevant resources for students across all year groups". These are available to students, teachers and others in the school community by logging into the school Intranet portal and clicking on Online Databases link.

This year the Senior Librarian has been selecting website resources to be added into our library collections. This means that students and teachers are able to search the Library Inquiry and find excellent websites as well as books, DVD's and other

resources appropriate to their research needs for curriculum and general interest.

With the installation of security this year the library became fully operational with seniors able to borrow fiction and non-fiction books, magazines and DVD's in addition to extending access to online resources. Borrowing has steadily increased as the senior collection develops.

Student's use of the library has been constant and enthusiastic with numbers often above 80 each period and especially busy during morning, recess and lunch breaks. The range of activities occupying them varies from group discussions, research for assignments, individual study or reading of magazines and books. There is a comfortable area with sofa chairs where our magazine collection and several daily newspapers are available. Our magazine collection includes periodical news, sports, art and literary journals which are all well-read by our students for personal interest and study purposes. Altogether we subscribe to 18 magazines and each day we receive 4 newspapers for the use of our student patrons.

Several important events also occurred during 2010 in the Senior Library.

At the beginning of the year in February, as part of the Year 10's Transition program, the library organised and hosted visits by the State librarians to demonstrate the online resources available to students who join the library. The State Library portal also gives students access to their local library databases. Both librarians showed Year 10 students how to use the online resources and also spoke to them about the difference between using information from authoritative sources such as those available through the State Library and through our own subscription databases and books, and that use of the internet should be critical and discerning. They advised that the use of Wikipedia has value generally for some definitions of terms and useful links to authoritative articles on the topic but unless recognised expert authors and institutions are cited these should not be bibliographic sources listed in assignments.

In May the two libraries hosted Sydney Boys High Inaugural Book Fair. Books were supplied by Borders Bondi Junction, The Children's Bookshop at Beecroft, Sydney Books and Phoenix Education. Students or anyone attending were invited to contribute to our library collections and thereby leave a lasting legacy from them in the school. We had some books donated by both students and some by teachers and more importantly we raised the profile of books and interest in reading for everyone. There were also many suggestions of books to add to the new senior collection and these titles have been added and are now available for loan from the "New Books" display stand.

Later on in the year on the 3rd September the Year 10's also were fortunate to attend a presentation by young author Tristan Bancks. Tristan used a fascinating multimedia display to demonstrate various ideas and techniques designed to inspire the budding writers amongst our boys. Tristan showed how creative writing can be inspired by observation of life, freewriting, music, pictures, dreams and characters or people around you. He believes very much in using the writing tools of the 21st century and our students gained much from what he had to tell them. We hope to continue to invite authors to speak to our students. The educational value of author visits cannot be overestimated both as role models to students and raise interest in reading and literature.

Future directions for the McDonald Senior Library include: continuation of the development of a Senior collection to support and extend curriculum and to provide personal and inspirational material for our students; extend the capacity to house a full Senior collection by adding other adjacent rooms to the current space; holding of examinations in the library should be gradually reduced so that the facility can become a full-time library; expansion of academic support for students with regard to specific assistance with research and information skills.

The last year has been a huge one for the McDonald Senior Library and for the students and staff using it and we look forward further developments to benefit the students and school community in 2011.

Ms Suzanne Gordon Teacher Librarian, McDonald Senior Library

The Andrews Junior Library

One of the biggest changes this year to the High Library situation has been the creation of the "2 Libraries concept". This change in emphasis is indicative of High's strong belief in academic effort demonstrated by an increase in library opportunities for boys. This concept also indicates to all boys that as the Libraries begin to specialise in age group and senior and junior curricula-related resources, that all boys can go to either library to borrow. In a selective school this will be necessary. To this end we decided to refer to the Libraries by Andrews and MacDonald Libraries rather than Senior and Junior as we did not want the boys haranguing one another while borrowing from a higher or lower age group library.

This concept was also intended to prop up "Boys Reading" as the senior boys' borrowing figures at High plummeted when the 2009 "bookless library" for seniors opened. However the new MacDonald Library has been and is an outstanding success in providing a perfect place for senior boys to be self directed learners, once it was supervised by an experienced Librarian, so but for reading, the overall rationale for the Senior Library works perfectly. The seniors are very fortunate to have lovely, easy going, Mrs Suzanne Gordon there. Mrs Gordon, through lots of sheer persistence, has had a huge impact on providing a games free atmosphere and behavioural conditions for between period study for the older boys.

Alarmed by the reading figures both Librarians felt that the bookless culture was not wise, as E books are not widely used yet so, to once again promote reading, a "taste" of books was introduced into the MacDonald (Senior) Library. The idea was to remind senior boys that our school does regard reading as desirable and to indicate that "adult" books are still available to seniors –in both Libraries. The 2 Librarians feel that it is very desirable for Senior Boys to be re-united with their books, which, due to inadequate space in the Senior Library, are still housed in the Andrews - Junior- Library.

Again, to promote boys reading and to assist a shaky Libraries budget, both Librarians and their staffs also worked through Term One to put on a huge Book Fair, with the motto "Choose, Read, Share" so that new books could be purchased to interest boys. While this was not an overwhelming

success in acquiring books, it was a very determined effort by the Librarians working in harmony, and all library staff acquired new skills and some wonderful student volunteers put out great promotional material.

A reading promotional program – Literacy Circles run through the Web 2 tool – Moodle - by the Andrews Librarian continues to be a joy to teach. For this program the Librarian purchases sets of 4/5 newly published boys' novels. The boys share their responses on a Moodle Forum and then working within roles of character/author/critic and discussion director and connector, explain to the class what the book is about. This year the Andrews Librarian has been very impressed with the opportunity to get boys to edit and improve their writing or their speeches as they are actually created and feels that computers prove to be an invaluable teaching tool. Computers from Kevin forever please! Keep them coming Julia!

The "2 Libraries" concept is also an underpinning of the collegiality between the High Librarians who are finding it helpful to confer during a period of institutional change. It should double the effectiveness of the Librarians efforts to adapt the Libraries to Web 2 and the changes with resourcing a Senior and a Junior Library. While the state of the Libraries at High is still too fragile to work with the Executive on a Library Policy, we hope this will come about very soon so the Librarians can set more ambitious goals and not just hope for survival.

One of the big concerns with the division of the Libraries into a Senior and Junior school has turned out to be the imbalance between library users during school periods. For the Andrews library this has resulted in a 61% empty Library during these times. This works out at 152 boys per day. This is because Junior boys can only come to the Library if a teacher brings them or frees them from class. The MacDonald Library which is a smaller building is crowded as both senior boys who have spare periods and senior classes without teachers find a welcoming place to work. However with such momentous changes to the Libraries, resolving issues is a gradual and steady process where good will works wonders.

In "public" times – before school, recess and lunchtime - both Libraries tend to do a roaring trade and demonstrate that High boys do choose to use their Libraries very well if given the opportunity. The Andrews Library has 32,149 visitors in public times alone, per year (or 160 boys a day) and this represents only the customers of one Library during breaks.

Based on forward estimates of the gate counter statistics for last semester the Andrews Library can expect separate visits from 100,000 customers in 2010 during public and class time. The Librarians are very heartened by the wide acceptance comfortable use of Library facilities by the boys at High. We feel we must be doing something right. The excellent spirit of the boys and their settled behaviour has always made it possible for large numbers to be tolerated and handled by just one librarian and one or two SAS staff. Considering that the student teacher ratio is consistently 3 times higher than that recommended classroom teaching and that these

numbers are an everyday occurrence, the library formula still has a lot to offer in the modelling of self directed learning to High School students.

The What the heck do the boys actually do in the library survey, conducted again this year, indicated once again the value of the Libraries in giving students an opportunity to see how other boys work and to compare their efforts/abilities with others. A particularly noteworthy characteristic of the boys' behaviour since being given their own personal laptop in Year 9 is there is a lot of looking over the shoulder of other students. Observation seeing what is possible, and then getting your friends to give you a try - has become a characteristic of library behaviour. We have just begun counting the number of laptops in use in the library per session and it is 16 on average. It has got up to 31. There is a great deal of learning from one another happening in the Andrews Library. Once again this survey indicates the importance of the Library as a place where **homework** is started or completed, assignments are started and printed up, exam study is discussed and tested on other



Library Staff

boys and **reading** materials are found and read. These, coupled now with observation, are still the main things that happen in Libraries according to this survey.

Overall Library loans appear to be going to drop by about 2000 by comparison with last year, 7783 by end August 09 and 6689 by end of August 10. The Librarians are not sure exactly why this is happening. It may be that boys are mainly interested in new reading material and one library did not purchase any this year. We do not feel that this is because there are laptops in Libraries as there were the same number of laptops here last year. What we do know from collecting reading statistics every year is that boys reading is very volatile and that if reading is regarded as unfashionable or not the thing to do, boys are very sensitive to what is expected of them. Acceptance of the value of Libraries is always indicated by their budgets. We hope that this decline can be arrested next year if once again top of the line Junior Reading resources are allowed to be purchased.

One useful aspect of being asked to write this report is that it gives the Librarians an opportunity to reflect on their effectiveness and to review other Library statistics for the year. It is interesting to note that the Andrews Library continued to put lots of new resources onto the shelves since this time last year. As new items arrive they are displayed in the corridors. 1432 items in all were added to the Andrews library shelves/catalogue. Of these as well as some odds and sods 320 were websites, 248 were non-fiction, 357 were fiction, 207 were magazines, 23 were videos, 61 were DVD's, 67 were Science textbooks, 21 were CD ROMS. Most of the resources added in 2010 were donations from the Book Fair. Old Boys, staff and parents. We are very grateful for these donations as each year we discard or lose about \$6000 worth of resources. Popular fiction in

particular gets torn to bits guite guickly.

Finally we have to mention our fabulous Library Monitors who volunteer to assist us. In fact our Monitors shelve all our loans and assist us to put up new resources on the windows. Without these boys and our one period office boy our staff would be a lot less efficient with getting resources processed. 129 boys in all volunteered to assist us this year. We are very grateful and your fellow students are the beneficiaries. You really deserve your award scheme points as you never stop working when you are here. Thanks also to the 50 Book Fair volunteers. It did take a lot of effort to run the Book Fair.

Mrs Crothers – Teacher Librarian – Andrews Library



Librarians

Back Row: William Wu, Sunny Cheng, Andrew Zhang, Ian Li **Front Row:** Justin Ng, Junjie Kwang, Andrew Wu, Kevin Zihiong, Brendan Guan

Cadet Report

2010 was a big year for the Sydney High School Cadet Unit with many achievements made. Firstly, with a posted strength of thirty plus, the unit looked strong for the foreseeable future. This number of members allowed us to start the year off with a bang, with a unit bivouac held within the first term in Holsworthy Barracks, providing many of the newer, and the older, cadets with a taste of what would follow. With Term 1 holidays fast approaching, we were yet again very successful in having four cadets, Corporal Alan Low, Corporal James Lee, Sergeant Alex Saunders and I being accepted to compete for the National Adventure Training Award in the Buckland Military Training Area in Tasmania, one of the most prestigious awards and the epitome of cadet life. Whilst we were away on our week long course, which involved vigorous training and long hikes through tough terrain carrying 40 kilos on our backs, the rest of our unit remained at our Battalion Biyouac at Holsworthy Barracks, where the cadets were able to experience a wider variety of cadet activities such as abseiling, Weapons Training Simulation and night vision exercises. Coming up soon are great activities such as the Annual Field Exchange in Singleton Barracks, whereby units from all over New South Wales come together for a massive bivouac, another unit bivouac to again be held in singleton, a unit dinner and our senior cadet dinner.

Many of our cadets extended their commitment to cadets by being a part of the annual ANZAC Day City March, bearing the banner in remembrance of soldiers who fought for our freedom. Many also engaged in our School's ANZAC Service Honour Guard, Speech Guard as well as Remembrance Day Guard. These commitments did not go unrewarded, as six more of our cadets were selected to attend promotions course during Term 2 holidays for a week, all passing with flying colours. On the Junior Leaders Course, we had Cadets Matthew Zhang and Ken Li, the Senior Leaders Module One Course had Corporal James Lee and the Senior Leaders Mod 2 Course had Sergeants Andrew Gong and Alex Saunders. Soon, all six were to be promoted, with the Sergeants and myself becoming Cadet Under





Cadet Officers and Senior NCOs

Back Row: Lcpl T.Chew, Lcpl T.Tran, Sgt B.Leo, Sgt I.Eveleigh, Cpl S.Biscevic, Sgt A.Gong, Cpl V.Ye, Lcpl B.Lee. **Front Row:** Sgt A.Low, Cpl W.Santucci, Cpl J.Lee, CUO M.Do, Ssgt J.Nguyen, Sgt A.Saunders, Cpl T.Silveira, Cpl N.Ooi.

Officers, the highest achievable position within the unit.

It saddens me to leave such a wonderful unit which has given a lot to me and has taught me many lessons both in cadets and in life. However, there comes a time when I must pass on this unit to the next generation of leaders, who I am sure will step up to any given challenge with heads held high. As this was a unit run by the cadets for the cadets, I

must thank all those who made this unit as successful as it is. Special thanks must go to Cadet Under Officer Michael Do and Major Richard Knowles, who I collaborated with in order to coordinate the unit, to all the NCOs who helped piece together home training every week, ensuring that it was of great quality and to all the cadets who displayed great interest in cadet life. Good luck to all the cadets in years to come.

CUO Jim Nguyen

Duke of Edinburgh Award

Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Hike Walk

On the 3rd and 4th of December, a group of adventurous students from years 9 and 10 completed a hike as part of the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme. The hike constituted the qualifying journey for the Bronze Award. The group was set to take on the Coast Track, a medium difficulty hike stretching 26 km and hugging the coastline of the Royal National Park. The track, right on the coast, was made up of an array of cliffs, beaches and escarpments, offering us stunning views throughout the hike. There were several legs to the journey, and the route planned consisted of:

- Day 1: Take a train from Central to Cronulla, and catch a ferry from Gunnamatta Bay across Port Hacking to Bundeena Wharf
- Walk south about 18 km along the Coast Track of the Royal National Park
- Camp overnight at the North Era Campsite

- Day 2: Continue south along the Coast Track (covering a distance of about 8 km)
- Join the Cliff Track to the end of the hike at Otford Lookout
- Walk to Otford Station and take a train back to Central

With a packed itinerary, the trip was bound to be a fast-moving affair. Preparation for the trip was thorough; unlike the school Expedition camp, we would not be hiking with a fully loaded truck travelling with us to each campsite. As such, the group needed to be completely self-sufficient, carrying food, equipment, and most importantly (and painfully), enough water. However, many of us ended up over-packing for what was a relatively short trip, much to the discomfort of our lower backs. These were the most important items taken by members of the group:

 Toiletries, gas stove, pocket knife, cutlery, torch, sunscreen, insect repellent, sleeping bag, tent (able to hold up to four people), sleeping mats,



A waterfall falls into the ocean at Curracurrong

first aid kit, mobile phone, money, and (by some) a camera

- Clothing included a few pairs of shorts, a pair of jeans, a beanie, a jacket, 3 T-shirts, socks, underwear, a hat, and a raincoat. Luckily, (or not), the weather hovered between pleasantly warm and swelteringly hot, and the wet/cold weather gear foolishly brought along simply acted as dead weight in our already overloaded packs.
- Food, of course. Lunches consisted mainly of tuna, spaghetti, boiled eggs, baked beans and other assorted flatulence-producing canned foods. For dinner, instant noodles were very popular, although a few members' attempts at cooking rice left them waiting for dinner a lot longer than expected. Afterwards, thanks to the provision of a gas burner, many of the campers went to bed feeling decidedly queasy as a result of the ingestion of toxic amounts of toasted marshmallows. Breakfast consisted mainly of boxed cereals, while some people opted for the much more nutritious breakfast of chocolate bars and Coke Zero.
- One of the biggest concerns was water. Due to the lack of safe sources of drinking water along the track, each hiker had to carry approximately 4 litres of water.

In the end, this meant a 10kg-15kg pack each, as well as taking turns carrying the unwieldy tents.

Members of the hike included: Mathew Chan, Andrew Fong, Dhruv Guptaa, Tejas lyer, Benjamen Lee, Lee Ming, Edward Naoumov, Nicholas Ooi, Shaun Pak, Andreas Purcal, Scott Renzenbrink, Serag Selah, Gamitha Samarasinghe, Siddharth Sethi, Max Song, Conor Stack, Krishna Visvaa, Ben Wilcox and Isnad Zaman.

Travelling with us, and ensuring that we didn't do anything too stupid, were Mr Andrew Fuller (Maths Dept.) and Mr Brian Webb (Science Dept.).

The journey began without too much drama, and soon we were at Cronulla waiting for our ferry to Bundeena. A quick trip across the water, and a final toilet break and we were at the gates of the National Park and off on our hike. Naturally, after about the first 3 steps, our legs had already started complaining, and the next two days began to look considerably frightening. However, we soon got into the rhythm of the hike, and before long our minds were on other things. A short ascent and we



Down to Garrie Beach

found ourselves standing on the wind-sculpted plateau of the Sandstone Cliffs. An awesome breeze almost swept us off our feet, and the vantage point commanded an impressive view of the ocean stretching all the way up to the horizon. Looking straight forward we could see our track winding its way through rocky outcrops and over cliffs, and the sheer force of waves crashing against the cliff below, along with the strong ocean breeze, occasionally sent a spray of cool mist over the group, providing relief from the scorching sun. It could not be any more different from the school camp expedition undertaken by the year 9 students as a practice journey. Hiking through the dense forest of the Watagan Mountain Range near Morisset, fighting and bush-bashing our way off-track, had been a thoroughly testing experience. Add leeches and bull ants to the mix and you've got yourself the ultimate test of mental and physical strength. I have learnt two main things from that hike: salt is nowhere near as effective at killing leeches as previously thought, and that getting simultaneously bitten by 3 bull ants is possibly the most painful thing I have ever experienced. Walking across the flat plateaus with the cool breeze and refreshing spray was easily the most relaxing part of the hike. We soon arrived at the site of our first break, Marley Head. We then walked along the beaches of Big and Little Marley before climbing back to the sandstone cliffs. Lunch was taken at Wattomolla. Here we managed to gain a reprieve from the unforgiving glare of the sun, taking a refreshing swim in the cool waters of the beach and the slightly warmer waters of the lagoon. A rock shelf jutting over the lagoon about 10 metres high provided an impressive outlook.

Soon it was time to hit the road again, and we continued our walk across the cliff tops past Curracurrang and Curracurrong. A notable landmark was Eagle Rock, an amazing natural rock formation consisting of a headland sculpted by the wind to resemble, unsurprisingly, an eagle's head. Before long we began the descent to the beach. The steep descent was brutal on the ankles and calves, and after a long day the effort was beginning to show. As the sun began to set, we were still some distance from our campsite for the night, North Era Campsite. Upon reaching Garie Beach, there was only one final stretch to go. Wearily we finally sighted the campsite, and before long we were setting up camp. For a group of students from a

selective school, it was extraordinary how much of a mental challenge figuring out how to peg a tent can be. After watching amusedly for a while, Mr Fuller finally decided to tell a group, which happened to be mine, that their tent was in fact inside out, and took pity on another group, who were staring dejectedly at the mess of poles and cloth that was, in theory, a six-man tent. Most of us, despite the copious consumption of sugar after dinner, were asleep before our heads hit our pillows (figuratively – we of course forgot to bring pillows).

After the challenge of the first day, we had gotten over the hump of the hike, and it was all downhill from there (literally, not figuratively.) With less than half the distance to cover than the first day, we could chillax and take it easy. Unfortunately, the track led us from the inviting sea view inland, towards rolling hills and thin scrubland. For a while we were in direct sunlight, but we soon came under the shade of larger trees and bush. Under the shade of the vegetation we found much cooler and damper conditions, and narrow paths forcing us into single file. Damp patches in the sand caused some drenched socks as we unwittingly stepped ankle-deep into sandy mud, while reported sightings of leeches made everyone jumpy, checking their legs every few seconds. Finally, we reached Otford Lookout, and the end of our hike.



Isnad Zaman taking in the view at sunset near North Era

There is nothing more satisfying than relaxing with a great view after a tough hike. A short walk to Otford station and we were back on our way home.

The Coast Track hike was definitely one of the most exhausting experiences of my life, but it was also one of the most self-satisfying. There is nothing better than looking back at a long hike, and the difficulties that you endured, and feeling that great sense of achievement and self-fulfilment. Hiking is one of the most rewarding experiences you can have; taking you just that little bit out of your comfort zone, but it makes you the better for it. I definitely recommend it to anyone seeking a bit of adventure and a great time.

Special thanks go to Mr Andrew Fuller for his unwavering commitment to the Duke of Ed Program and organisation of the trip, and Mr Brian Webb for giving his time to come with us and making the trip possible.

Serag Saleh

Duke of Edinburgh Silver Hike Report

The December 09' Duke of Ed Silver hike consisted of a three day trek from Circular Quay to Hornsby. Led by the 'too cool for sleep' Mr Fuller and the always cheerful Mr Webb, the group comprised of: Liam Aylmer, Rahib Azwad, Lawrence Cai, Terence Chiem, Anthony Chung, Thomas Diep, Jeremy Dobrowolski, Oliver Fio, Kumudika Gunaratne, Andrew Huynh, Rafat Kamal, Dennis Kim, Lee Ming, Carl Pan, Pasan Pannila, Veeral Patel, Antony Paul, Maxwell Phillis, Prashan Prabaharan, William Shao, Nikita Slinko and Joshua Sutton. It was an early 8:00am start and our group was gathered at the Circular Quay wharf - a strange sight against the backdrop of city with people hurrying off to work. Most of us had bags packed to the brim, our essentials compacted and squashed, organised like Tetris blocks in the most space efficient combination.

We boarded our ferry, and watched as we sailed under the Harbour Bridge and away from civilisation. Well not quite yet as we were dropped off at Woolwich Wharf, and meandered through the streets until we reached the start of the Great North Walk. From there, we entered bushland and hiked, and hiked, and hiked. We negotiated rocky slopes, followed the banks of creek, and trampled over the

limitless leaves scattered across the forest floor. We followed the Lane Cove River. We passed Lane Cove River Steak and Seafood Restaurant at the convenient time of 3:20pm, twenty minutes too late for a lunch which was most disappointing.

We arrived at Lane Cove Tourist Park with two hours left of the day, just enough time to enjoy a cool off in the small, but welcoming pool. The first night was like a blissful escape from the somewhat arduous trekking. Those who had done their research had taken advantage of the barbeque and enjoyed the luxury of what was envied by the rest of the group as food 'fit for the gods'. The facilities at the tourist park were far from unsatisfactory. Feeling clean for once after showering, we gathered together in the park's common room, joining the other tourists and enjoying Channel 9's screening of 'The Waterboy'. That first night was a heaven that we would never see again...

The second day was both somewhat easier and somewhat more painful. The joy of a lighter bag was countered by the blisters whose presence was remembered with each step. Mr Fuller and his handy camera were there to take snaps of the flora and fauna around us as we continued to follow the Lane Cove River for most of the day. Baden Powell Scout Camp was to be our next camping ground. Instant noodles were the most popular form of dinner, aside from the few who had managed to smuggle some freshly baked Dominos pizza through the front gates, much to the dismay of Mr Fuller (sorry sir!). We all head to sleep early, preparing for our final day of hiking, all with the exception of Mr Fuller and the Year 11s who were engaged in a vigorous game of 500, which ended at 3 in the morning.

The final day took us to Hornsby Station, where after three days of walking, we were content to collapse on the floor while waiting for our train to arrive. Most of us celebrated our return back to urban life with a good old EasyWay, a drink Mr Fuller had surprisingly never tasted before.

To be honest, the hiking through the day was not a very comfortable experience, but by contrast, the nights at the camps were unforgettable. And for all those considering coming along, if you have ever wondered what true happiness is, it is the feeling of sliding into your own bed after spending three days trekking in the bush. Thanks go to Mr Fuller and Mr Webb for making this memorable trip possible.

Chess Report

This year we won the GPS Invitational Chess tournament for the fifth consecutive year. Eric Xu won the NSWJCL Spring 2-day tournament.

We continue to sharpen our chess talent base under the guidance of Coach Mr Vladimir Feldman. His Friday morning chess tutorials are very well attended. Individual performances are improving across every grade.

Individual:

NSWJCL Spring 2-day tournament – Eric Xu – 1st/140 participants

Teams:

NSWJCL Interschool competition:

Metropolitan East Region:

Groups: Senior – 3rd, Intermediate A – 1st, Intermediate B – 1st, Junior A – 2nd, Junior B – 3rd, Junior C – 3rd

Quarter Final: Intermediate A – Grammar B – 4:0, Intermediate B – Scots B – 3.5 – 0.5, Junior A – Trinity A – 4:4 (won on tie-break)

 $\frac{1}{2}$ Final: Intermediate A – Trinity A – 3.5:0.5, Intermediate B – Grammar A – 0.5:3.5, Junior A – Grammar A – 3:1

Final: Intermediate A – Grammar A – 2.5:0.5 – Metropolitan East Champions, Junior A – Grammar A – 2:6 (first match 2:2) – Metropolitan East runner up

Metropolitan Inter-region finals:

½ final: Intermediate A - Fairfield - 4:0

State Final: Intermediate A – North Sydney Boys High – 3:1

NSWJCL Secondary School One-Day Tournament – June 27, 2010

Open division: SBHS – 2nd/18

Junior division: Junior A – 1st/18, Junior B – 5th, Junior C – 7th.

GPS Chess Championship – September 11, 2010 SBHS – 1st/6

The Scots College Invitational – September 22, 2010

SBHS-A - 3rd/ 25, SBHS - B - 5th

C Harvey



Back Row: A.Rong, F.Wong, J.Chen, I.Bonch-Osmolovskiy, A.Shi, C.Lau, L.Mah. **Second Row:** M.Mauser, E.Xu, K.Pan, R.Chang, J.Ren, E.Li, D.Dien, K.Lu. **Front Row:** E.Wang, D.Chan, P.King, A.Tayeh (Captain), A.Bao, B.Zhuang, T.Du

Debating

Debating Assembly 2010

How debating is beneficial beyond school

Dr Jaggar, the Sydney High Debating teams, staff (new and old), and fellow students,

It is an absolute honour to have been called here to speak in front of you. As a student at high, graduating in 2006, I always looked forward to assemblies where I was able to be inspired and to hear from our illustrious alumni 'Old Boys'. I hope that I can partially fill their gigantic shoes today. However, Dr. Finnie didn't make it too easy for me. Without meaning to embarrass her, she said to me in an email just three days earlier:

"I want an interesting speaker... Learning to debate leads to an ability to argue, to make an argument...which leads to the ability to advocate on behalf of yourself and others." Then she added the punch line; that she wanted me:

"To set an example to those coming behind you to abandon business and set their sights on greater things by taking on debating!" I am not sure the Australian School of Business (UNSW) will be happy about me saying that. Nonetheless, I'll humbly try what I can:

Earlier Dr Jaggar mentioned how debating works and the view of debating as a 'contest' through which one challenges oneself and grows to be a mature communicator. Today, I want to intertwine what debating is about with my own personal experiences. I want to make three points. Debating is definitely useful because it develops the skill of communicating complex ideas, challenges us to consider and mediate through many perspectives and allows one to meet many people who are from different backgrounds and hold different ideas.

Then, I hope to highlight how the youth can make a difference in their world and rightly have a responsibility to do so. I want to provide a holistic view of debating, what I got out of it and demonstrate the importance of debating in the 'bigger picture'.

First, debating is a demonstration of a human being's unique ability to communicate complex ideas. This involves taking a thought, idea and rationale from a part of our mind and to put that

into someone else's in a way that is convincing and useful. A friend from High and a talented debater, Sriram Srikumar, said to me about this notion: "This is something I actually really feel strongly about". And I can understand why. Everything that society has managed to achieve started as an idea that somebody persuaded other people to accept. Some ground breaking writers include Copernicus on heliocentricity, Darwin on the theory of natural selection and Adam Smith on theories of modern economics. They were able to manipulate people's mind and overturn orthodoxy. Unlike in previous times, today more people are literate, educated and have access to more information. Hence, the great thing about debating is that many people are actually able to counter or critique what has been said. Laissez-faire economics, natural selection and even the validity of Copernicus' title are increasingly being guestioned. Western scholars such as David Lewis are increasingly tracing the roots of European Renaissance to Muslim scholars including the central mathematical theorem which Copernicus

Next, the point of debating is to gain a deeper understanding of all sides of an issue. One cannot convincingly advocate for something without understanding why people might be opposed to it. An aspect of democracy that we often taken for granted is that there is pluralism with multiple parties and everyone's voice is important. Though, the extent of this is debatable even in Australia. However, if we consider many societies around the world, the freedom to explore different views is often illegal. In China, people aren't able to comprehend the 'other' worldview. My cousin observed from Chinese international students in University of Sydney, that it was only after coming to Australia that they were able to understand why foreigners were critical of China – its HRs abuses and harsh policies. For the first time, they could see other perspectives not just the propaganda of the Chinese Communist Party.

If one doesn't effectively debate or at least try to hear other views, ignorance can run strife and that causes greater community disharmony. There are numerous examples of where the lack of understanding from all sides of an issue can create havoc. For me personally as a member of the Muslim community, serious problems arose following

September 11th - many didn't fully understand Islam and Muslims. Despite occasional hiccups when intolerance is highlighted by the media in its treatment of issues such as the burga and the taboo subject of Islamic Khilafah, I think in Australia, our multiculturalism works to the extent that we welcome people from all over the world. The only exception is boat people, because they are (sadly) perceived to be a menace and it is foolish for them to consider coming here - there's absolutely no problem with where they live. So instead we transfer them to other poor countries. In other places such as in Europe it's not so great. The recent spate of bans on the burga in Italy and France and the banning of mosque minarets just highlights what happens when constructive debate isn't really undertaken despite the veneer of 'human rights'.

Finally, there is great worth in meeting people from other backgrounds and perspectives and to understanding differences. No other sporting activity has that level of intellectual engagement. I think that we take it for granted that people are generally the same and have similar experiences without a full appreciation of what people of different backgrounds go through even in Australia let alone around the world. One stark reality for me is the contrast between my father who had to walk barefoot to school and couldn't afford to attend a decent college, whilst I was privileged to attend one of the greatest high schools and universities. Have you ever asked your peers what their ancestry is and what their story is? Not everyone lives like we do in Australia, and those with an ethnic ancestral connection will let you know about what happens in other countries. At High we were really fortunate to mingle with students from all sorts of backgrounds. However, there was one common factor that really reduced the diversity to some extent. At High, everyone was more or less driven to achieve the highest in academic and sporting endeavours. The mean UAI was going to be somewhere in the 90s and more than 90% would attend a university. If we are going to be future corporate, government and community leaders we will need to understand severe inequality and its causes. Since leaving High, I have been fortunate enough to meet people from around the world and explore the situation of other communities both in real life and also through my studies.

My first real shock came to me when I tutored at a coaching centre, Alpha-Omega Education, where I

had once attended as a student. Many students hadn't known a single student who obtained a UAI above 90 let alone 99.90, they lacked ambition and dreams. University wasn't always the priority. One day, one of my students from Auburn Girls' High School appeared frustrated and upset. She said that she wanted to achieve the best but her brother told her, "What's the point of studying so hard and getting so stressed about education, you're just going to be a housewife life your older sisters." I couldn't fathom this attitude towards education and how to counter it.

Also, being amongst many Chinese and Indian students at High, I thought I understood those cultures well. However, when I attended the Goldman Sachs Global Leaders Program in New York, I realised how ignorant I was. It was only through debating topics such as climate change and development, speaking to them and asking about the ordinary things in life that I was able to understand what their lives were like. It was not surprising then that the one thing that President Ma of Taiwan encouraged everyone to do in Taiwan, other than contributing to the economy, was to use the internet because one could "see any website" as China's censorship is so well known. That was addressed at the National Taiwan University where I attended last Thursday.

I believe youth are important because they are not as constrained by economic and ideological pressures as older generations have been. Thus, what continues to motivate me from international gatherings is the power of youth to achieve great things. There are so many examples but just to mention a few from the One Young World Summit that I attended earlier this year in London. There were young people who continued to study and engage in community service despite coming from war-torn countries such as Somalia, Palestine and Afghanistan. The student from Afghanistan, Yama Meerzada, was active in his community despite losing his brother to a bomb blast a few months earlier. He would never dream of leaving his country. Two students: an Israeli and a Palestinian were involved in an organisation called the Parent's Control Room where they organised events to bring families from either side of the conflict to heal over loss. A 15 year old Canadian boy skied to the North Pole as the youngest person in history in order to raise awareness about climate change. I remember a particularly powerful moment was when a Baha'i girl from the Philippines became teary with joy in

front of everyone including the BBC media and several Novel Prize Laureates, after a young girl from Bahrain spoke about founding a human rights organisation. The former couldn't believe that a 24 yr. old Muslim woman was fighting for the rights of her people.

So what am I getting at?

I am calling for a broader understanding of the purpose of what you do at school. Activities such as debating can lead to much greater things. You would have heard many times about getting involved in school-life with extra-curricular activities from Dr Jagger, your coaches and teachers. The benefits and importance is no doubt absolutely true. I humbly suggest to you, however, as a person who was once in your very position that it is this and much more. I, myself am only starting to realise that now.

For one you won't have the same amount of time and, I must say financial resources, to undertake such activities once you start juggling university, work, family and relationships. Furthermore, you won't be able to gain a fuller appreciation of society beyond just academics, study and work until you explore other avenues to challenge yourself. What makes life worth living is not a large pay packet or a high academic achievement - but it's about who you are with and how your achievements relate to those around you and the wider world. So endeavour to build mutually respectful relationships with your teachers and peers – I could not certainly be where I am today without them.

Again I mention the potential that youth have. We are really in exciting times with technology driving social and cultural change. Now more than ever, you are empowered by the internet and social networking to not only learn about the world and its problems but to actually do something about it. So when choosing your future careers and degrees don't just go for the 'mob' mentality of choosing necessarily a commerce degree (finance major) or engineering degree like 50% of our High graduates. Even within these career paths, life should not be just about becoming a partner in a 'Big 4' firm.

I want to mention two examples of inspiring people. One is Oscar Morales whom I met in London earlier this year. He used a humble Facebook page to initiate rallies involving 40 million people to call for the end of FARC in Colombia. Another is William Kawkamba from Malawi - whose story will make you

question how you respect education and your teachers. He couldn't continue high school because his parents couldn't afford it. But using an old library book he built a windmill to bring electricity for the first time to his village. My similar story with a library book was when I picked up a discarded book from the school library on 'ecological economics'. There had never been an essay question on this topic and even the HSC Helpine suggested not to bother about it. That year was the first year they asked that and I was one of the few students who answered it. I scored the 2nd highest raw mark in the state in economics.

So what can't *you* achieve with the knowledge and technology available to you?

In summary,

I have explained that debating is useful and impressive to all who participate. Hence, I would strongly encourage students to consider debating even for a short while. Your studies, your cocurricular activities and interaction with your class mates and teachers are some things that will shape your future. Even if not at the GPS level, consider mock debates amongst yourselves and SGHS like I had done in year 11. Let me share something that motivates me to act, starting from myself. From the verse in the Quran that "Allah does not change the situation of a nation until they change themselves" and similarly from Gandhi, "You must be the change you wish to see in the world". So hearing that, I would like you all to ask yourself, what do you see yourself doing in 5, 10 or 20 years from now? What contribution will you make to the world? Furthermore, with that challenge, think about what tools and skills will help you achieve that goal. I can see limitless possibilities in all of you and maybe we can all look back to the 23rd of July, 2010 as the start of something incredible in you. As the internationally renowned author and speaker, Wayne Dyer would say, "Go for it now. The future is promised to no one".

Thank you for your attention and I thank Sydney High once again for giving me the honour to speak here.

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First Grade Debating ~ CHS Hume Barbour Champions

J.Chan, A.Chawla, Ms B.Berger (Coach), M.Phillis, A.Paul, Dr K.A.Jagqar (Principal)

First Grade Debating Report

Debating 2010 began with a successful preseason, with Sydney High winning the Year 12 Eastside Competition and Year 11 FED Competition. These results were achieved by a variety of debaters, as old boy coaches Kelvin Yu and Michael Coutts shuffled around speakers and positions in search of two open teams. The difficulty they faced is a testament to the depth of High debating in 2010.

Eventually, First Grade Debating 2010 was selected, consisting of Antony Paul (First Response), Max Phillis (First Affirmative/Second Negative) and Nakul Bhagwat (Third Speaker). Both Max and Antony were returning from last year's successful First Grade side that lost just one debate all season, in a split decision, to an undefeated Grammar team. Nakul was speaking as a year 11 in First Grade, at his newly found position of Third Speaker. So with two speakers seeking to recreate the success of 2009 and another seeking to cement his place at the top of High debating, we were not short of motivation for season 2010.

The first debate of the GPS season had us travel to Shore, and we debated solidly in favour of the NRL scrapping the salary cap. But in a result that shocked the audience (and probably the Shore team), we went down in a split decision. Despite the disappointment of that result, we resolved to look to our next debates and were determined to come back the following week. And come back we did, with a convincing win against St Joseph's, arguing in favour of ending the mandatory detention of asylum seekers.

With our Round 3 debate against Scots postponed, we went two weeks without a competitive GPS debate, but did all we could to prepare for our upcoming debate against a strong Riverview side. However, the convenors seemed to be having a bit of a laugh that week, when under the topic area of "current affairs", we were set the fairly non-current topic that the media should not show videos made by terrorists. Nonetheless, the debate was a high quality one, but we were just barely beaten at the final hurdle as the adjudicators believed Riverview's characterisation of the public response to these

videos more than they believed ours.

The next round was against premiership favourites Grammar. We knew we had a solid chance of and winning. even though premiership looked out of reach for us, we still had a point to prove. In some irony, the topic area for this big debate was the comparatively subject of liaht arts and entertainment. On the night, we found ourselves in favour of government funding for the arts. In what was probably the best debate of the GPS season, the audience seemed evenly divided on who had won. Unfortunately, we went down in the narrowest of split decisions, as always seems to be the way in debating. However, we were proud of the great performance we put in, having come closer than any other team to beating the eventual GPS champions. Thanks must go to the big crowd of current and old boys alike who travelled to Grammar to watch, as well as the Grammar boys who brought the first supporters' banner we've ever seen at a debate.

Our next debate was at home against Newington, as we argued in favour of banning political advertising. We allowed the margin of victory to be far closer than it should have been, but still got away with a split decision win.

Our postponed debate against Scots was now to be held midweek at Shore, in the same hall that had seen us go down in that tough decision in Round 1. Unfortunately, it seemed as though that hall brought us bad luck, as all three of us performed below our standard and we lost to a team that we otherwise should have beaten.

The last debate of the season was against Kings. By this stage we were not looking good on the table but we were determined to score a big win for our final debate. In an excellent way to cap off the season, we argued against cutting aid to non-democratic nations and notched up a convincing win. It makes a great memory for Max and Antony's last ever debate for High after six years.



First Grade GPS Debating M.Phillis, A.Paul, N.Bhagwat.

2010 also saw a number of representative honours achieved in High Debating. Max and Angud were selected in the combined CHS Second Grade team, while Antony was in First Grade. Antony also represented NSW at the National Competition, and was selected in the Australian Schools Debating Team for further competition over summer.

Overall the 2010 season saw just one or two small things fall against us each week, leaving a talented team with a series of very close losses; a record that was worse than deserved. However, that didn't stop the season from being enjoyable, and thanks must go to coach Kelvin Yu whose efforts and ability cannot be faulted. We'd also like to thank Ms Quick for organising High debating, the parents who

supplied such delicious suppers each week, and the crowd who consistently supported us throughout the season. After our long period of debating for High, we can certainly say that it has been brilliant fun, and has left us with many great memories. We look forward to seeing the younger years continue the great tradition of High Debating in the future, and bring High's results back to where they should be.

Antony Paul

Second Grade Debating Report

Following a gruelling selection process (which saw High pick up the Eastside year 12 and FED year 11 trophies), High's selection panel came up with Second Grade Debating 2010: Angud Chawla (1st response), Ashwin Rudder (1st Affirmative and 2nd negative), and Justin Chan (3rd speaker). Widely regarded as being the best team GPS 2nd grade has ever seen, the three worked to correct the injustices dealt to last year's Second Grade squad (of which Angud and Justin were a part of). The destruction of 1st grade in a pre-GPS grudge debate paved the way for what was to be an explosive, exciting season.

Unfortunately, the season did not deliver the same success with debating results as it did in the word game. There were highs: A 9 point thrashing of Shore in round one, systematic executions of Kings, Newington and Riverview and the inclusion of words that would surely be censored from this report. 2nd Grade also managed to demolish St Joseph's in round 2. In the premiership against Grammar, they found themselves arguing to cut the funding for the arts. An inability to overcome the harder side of the topic and place practicalities in the context of the debate left the side ruing the



Second Grade GPS Debating A.Rudder, A.Chawla, J.Chan.

controversial decision against Scots that cost them a deserved premiership.

Thanks must go to Dana Quick and the High debating program (for catering to the eccentric personalities that year 12 has produced), our parents and fan club for providing suppers and huge crowds (occasionally more than 5 people) and our coach Michael Coutts who has done fantastic work with us all year and was unfortunately hospitalised late in the season after almost exploding with excitement.

Angud Chawla (2nd Grade Captain)



Third Grade GPS DebatingP.Baweja, K.Sivayogarayan, S.Salagame, C.Wong.

Third Grade Debating Report

Third Grade debating has had a long and illustrious history at High and the 2010 season was no different. As we rounded off our season with a 5-2 record I am reminded of a great saying, "In the pit of every man's stomach is the fear he is no longer invincible." I believe that this statement holds true for every one of us.

It is with deep regret that we were not able to clinch the fabled third grade premiership, courtesy of two extremely controversial decisions. Nonetheless, I believe that we finished our season with dignity and pride, with a complete devastation of the Kings School. Similar wins against St Ignatius, Sydney Grammar and Newington reaffirmed our status as leaders of the proverbial pack. We come out of 2010 knowing that we were undoubtedly the best team in the third grade competition.

Thanks is extended to our coach Michael Coutts, whose expert tutelage and debating knowledge allowed us to achieve the calibre of skill and flair we attained throughout the season. A special thanks is

extended to Kelvin Yu, for coaching us in the preseason and on the last training session, and for providing emotional support to Coutts. As always our deepest gratitude is extended to Dana Quick, whose organisational prowess left other schools envious.

The third grade squad for 2010 is a diverse one, representing a myriad of cultures and races. Without any further ado, the third grade squad for 2010 comprises Anton Juresevic, Krishan Sivayogarayan, Puneet Baweja, Samir Kinger, Sujay Salagame and Christopher Wong, truly men amongst men. I wish everyone luck in their future debating careers, especially the Yr 11's who have another season of debating ahead of them.

Christopher Wong

Year 11 Debating Report

2010 proved another successful year for the Year 11 Karl Cramp team, progressing through the season undefeated and eventually retaining the Trophy following our victory in the final. In 2010, over 60 teams entered the competition from across the Sydney Metropolitan Region with the competition

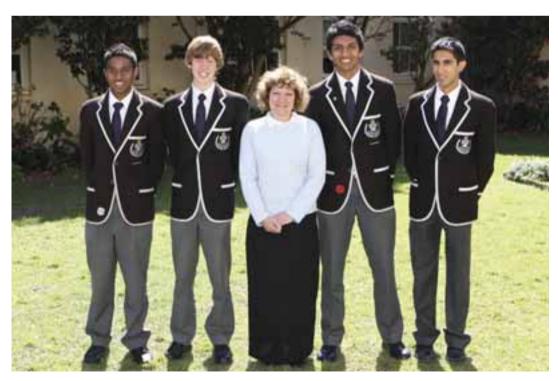
consisting of a series of round-robins followed by a knockout phase. The Sydney High team consisted of Ashwin Rudder, Nakul Bhagwat, Samir Kinger and Krishan Sivayogarayan.

The opening few debates against Randwick Girls and Canterbury Boys were won quite convincingly, though the final debate of the round-robin phase proved a difficult encounter against a well-drilled Fort Street High team. Fortunately, we managed to record a comfortable win after arguing against the abolition of compulsory voting in elections. Perhaps one of the more difficult topics to argue against came in the regional semi-final against Canterbury Girls, where the topic "that the elderly should be able to die with dignity" was left for interpretation from the Affirmative team, of whether it would become a debate about euthanasia or not. Well aware of the threat of the Canterbury Girl's team, who defeated us in the Year 10 equivalent of the 2009 competition, we managed to record another convincing victory leading us to a much anticipated regional final, against Sydney Girls.

The regional final, held in front of a strong audience

of 80 students at the Botanic Gardens saw 'the environment' as the topic area of the debate. Sydney High put up a convincing argument supporting the topic that "Nuclear Energy is worth the risk", whilst Sydney Girls' offered the argument that renewable, alternatives were a much more viable option. In an extremely close debate, the three adjudicators awarded the debate unanimously to us, ensuring that we retained the Sydney Regional Shield.

With the opportunity of a place in the final of the competition, we took on the Semi-Final debate against James Ruse High with great flair and intensity. Having to argue against the motion of "giving schools with poor academic performance more funding", we took a unique line of attack in proposing a counter-model of 'performance-based pay' to better incentivise teachers to boost academic performance, and to improve the academic results of these schools. In another unanimous decision, the adjudicators awarded the debate to us, meaning that were about to face Holsworthy High School in the final.



Year 11 Debating ~ CHS Champions K.Sivayogarayan, A.Rudder, Ms B.Berger (Coach), N.Bhagwat, S.Kinger



Year 10 Debating
Back Row: S.Saleh, B.Wilcox, N.Pinidiya.
Front Row: A.Ceh, C.Chian, R.Sternhell, A.Hughjes, S.Sethi.

Returning to the Botanic Gardens, the Final proved an opportunity for Sydney High to win its 13th title in the competition's 60 year history. However, Holsworthy much remained optimistic and determined to claim their first ever title, in their first ever final. With much at stake and with the intensity of audience in front of them, many of the speaker's felt the nerves of speaking in the final. Though, we were able to maintain composed and effectively argue against the idea of prosecuting CEOs for environmental accidents that their companies were at fault for. Consequentially, we were able to register a "close, but comfortable" victory and retain the Karl Cramp Trophy following the success of the Year 11 team in 2009. The Year 12's victory in the Hume Barbour Trophy, earlier in the year also meant that it was only for the second time in our debating history, that we won both competitions in the same year.

Our thanks must be extended to our coaches, Ms Berger and Michael Coutts along with our audience who came along in force to the regional finals and the state finals.

Year 11 CHS Debating Report

The Year 11 debating team had a very successful season in the CHS competition, ultimately winning the Karl Cramp Trophy. Comprising of Ashwin Rudder, Nakul Bhagwat, Samir Kinger and Krishan Sivayogarayan, the team breezed through the initial rounds, comfortably beating Randwick Girls, Canterbury Girls and Fort Street amongst others. We reached the Regional Final against a confident Sydney Girls team, outpointing them at every speaker in a debate about nuclear power that was probably our best of the year. We debated James Ruse for a place in the State Final and, despite the best efforts of the head adjudicator, Ms Berger's arch nemesis, managed to convince the majority of the panel that funding was not the answer to our education woes. The State Final pitted us against the surprise packets of the competition in Holsworthy High. In front of a large crowd at the Royal Botanic Gardens we put in a solid performance and were awarded the Karl Cramp Trophy for State CHS Champions, the school retaining the title for the second year running.

Thanks to Michael Coutts for another compelling season of coaching, without it none of this would have been possible. Congratulations also to Nakul Bhagwat, who was awarded the debater of the year. But the biggest thanks must go to Ms Berger, the real driving force behind our team this year, her insightful on the go coaching sessions will never be forgotten and hopefully she will make a reappearance for the Hume Barbour next year.

Nakul Bhagwat Captain

Year 9 Debating Report

Year 9 has had a quite successful season this year, with the A's winning 5 out of their 6 debates, and the B's winning 4 out of 6. We have also seen strong

results across FED and Eastside, with the title barely eluding our teams. Our squads have been facing tough opposition from the other schools, however, have lifted our standards and worked hard to attain good results.

There was controversy surrounding the selection of the squads, with so many skilled debaters seeking entry into the GPS squads, however, with the result that we were able to field strong teams.

Special thanks go to our dedicated coaches, Ellie and Alice, who have worked tirelessly through the whole year to improve our debating skills, and working hard to select and organise the GPS squads, as well as turning up to all our debates, from FED and Eastside through the GPS season. Thanks also to Miss Quick, for running the whole debating program, and tolerating year 9's larrikin ways.

Overall, year 9 has had an excellent season, and I look forward to the new debating season next year.

Albert Chau



Year 9 Debating

Back Row: K.Ying, C.York, K.Dhamoon, A.Nayak. **Front Row:** C.Robinson, A.Chau, S.Viswanadham, E.Xu, K.Vyas.

Year 8 GPS Debating

This GPS Debating season has been a very eventful one. The first week we competed in a fantastic debate against Shore. Unfortunately the A team lost, but the B team kept our pride and won. The second round against St Joseph's was more successful for us. Both the teams won in a series of closely fought debates. Round three was a very interesting round. The B team won, but the A team unfortunately lost, and a gross error of judgement by one of the members meant that the A team was out of the competition for two weeks. However the show went on, with the two B teams (B1 and B2) taking turns to fill in for the A's. The acting A team did a fantastic job and won their debate against St Ignatius in week four, however the B team unfortunately lost, Round 5 was a momentous debating round, against our arch rivals, Sydney Grammar. Both teams put in a gallant effort with the B's coming out on top against their opponents but the stand-in A's unfortunately went down to a strong and composed Grammar side. Round 6 was against Newington. The A team,

on their return, won their debate in a well-fought contest. However, the B's went down very closely, and it was a brilliant effort considering they were down to two reserves and a fourth speaker.

Edric Wang

Premiers Debating Challenge Year 8 Report

The Premiers Debating Challenge for year 8 so far has been nothing short of exciting and fulfilling. Our year 8 team consists of Shawn Noronha, Daniel Fang, Edric Wang and Rakulan Arulmuragan.

Our first debate to kick off the competition was against our year 7 PDC team. It was a fantastic debate with our year 8 peers as our audience, which made it all the more nerve racking for us. The year 7 team gave us a great debate and at the end we came out on top. It was an enriching and fun experience for both teams and we would like to acknowledge the gallant effort our year 7 team put in.



Year 8 Debating

Back Row: R.Tan, S.Sethi, A.Liu, S.Noronha, R.Irwin, R.Arulmurugan. **Front Row:** N.Wang-Ly, D.Fang, C.Chen, E.Wang, S.Saleh, J.Freiberg, C.Shi.



Year 7 Debating

Back Row: J.Wu, T.George, N.Bari, J.Maloof, K.Liang, B.Dang. **Front Row:** A.Nam, G.Shankar, J.Chew, B.Tran, S.Pulapaka, S.Li, G.Chandrasekaran.

Our next debate was against Randwick Girls High at their school. Excitement and nerve levels were high as we walked through their gates, as the Premier's Debating Challenge was a first for us, and this was against a different school's A team. However we soon turned the nervousness into strategic and smart thinking in the prep room, which allowed us to come up with some great points and win the debate.

A few weeks later it was time for round 3 of the Premier's Debating Challenge. It was a home debate against a committed Randwick Girls B team, but we all contributed to some clever points in the prep room and delivered them with relative ease to take home the win. Randwick Girls have been fantastic opposition thus far in the Premier's Debating Challenge and we would like to wish them the best of luck in the future.

I would like to take this opportunity to graciously thank our debating coaches and the adjudicators which we had in our debates, who gave us great advice on how to improve our speaking styles and become better speakers, our opposition in the three rounds we've had, and most importantly Dr Finnie, whose fantastic organizational skills and chaperoning to and from venues are the reason why we are here today.

Premiers Debating Challenge Yr 7

The year 7 team consisted of Ganeshmoorthy Chandrashekeran as first speaker, Josh Maloof as second speaker, Shreyas Pulapaka as third speaker and Benjamin Dang as Team Advisor. The competition proved to be a real challenge for us, as we were the only Yr 7 team in the competition. However we fought hard and are proud of our achievements. We commend the other teams for the great debates they gave us which made this a real educational competition. We would also like to thank our adjudicators on giving us great feedback. Our first debate was a positive experience and with each debate we have improved. Thanks to Dr Finnie for giving us a lot of support.

Shreyas Pulapaka

Public Speaking

Public Speaking has been a very popular and highly regarded activity at Sydney Boys and this year proved to be a very successful one. A huge thank you must be given to Ms Barr who entered boys into various competitions and put in so much hard work helping High's competitors practise.

2010 saw good results from High. The first competition for the year was the "Rostrum Voice of the Youth Competition" where Dexter Gordon, Aashray Narulla and Khushaal Vyas participated in the Junior Division and John Aclis, Samuel Khoo and Cameron Morrison participated in the Senior Division.

Here Aashray Narulla won third place in the local final and both Cameron Morrison and Khushaal Vyas won their local finals and proceeded onto the Regional Final. Khushaal won the Regional Final and went on to represent the school at the State Final. Here he spent a weekend in Hyde Park with fellow competitors and enjoyed a weekend full of fun and entertainment. The State Final was held in the NSW Parliament house, where he won third place in a very tough and competitive final.

John Aclis and Samir Kinger represented High at the "Sydney Morning Herald – Plain English Speaking Competition where both John and Samir delivered impressive speeches and did themselves and the school proud. In the Legacy Junior Public Speaking Award, Khushaal Vyas and Kritman Dhamoon represented High.

John Aclis is also to be commended for his representation of High at the annual Lawrence Harvey Impromptu Speaking Competition in May.

In the United Nations Public Speaking Competition, Aashray Narulla of Year 7 represented Sydney High.

But Public Speaking this year wasn't just confined to competitions. Khushaal Vyas was invited to give a speech at the Dymocks Children's Charities "Great Debate". The Great Debate is an annual event that aims to raise money to improve literacy amongst disadvantaged children all over Australia. Khushaal gave a meaningful speech on the *Importance of Reading and Literacy* to inspire the audience to show



Reading and Literacy to inspire the audience to show their support for the charity. At this event, he was in exceptional company with well known public figures Anh Do, Fiona O'Loughlin, Clare Hooper, Adam Spencer, Rob Carlton, Annabel Crabbe and Rhys Muldoon as well as the Chairmen of Dymocks and the ABC. The night proved to be very entertaining and a huge success.

Overall, Sydney Boys High School has had an exceptional and successful year in public speaking this year. Congratulations to all speakers from High who participated this year and we hope even more boys will turn out and represent High in 2011.

Khushaal Vyas

Tournament of Minds

Language/Literature

Sydney Boys High participated in the Tournament of Minds Regional Finals competition at Sydney Girls High School.

The competition consisted of two parts: a long term challenge and a spontaneous challenge. For our LTC we were given 6 weeks to prepare a dramatic solution relating to a particular concept of uniting people of different background (which we presented at SGHS); while in the spontaneous challenge our team was shown a video of a light bulb with facial expressions and we were given 4 minutes to create solutions to a series of questions about the light bulb.

Although we unfortunately were not able to progress to the next level of the competition, we were satisfied with the high level of effort and work that we put in. Special thanks must go to our facilitator, Ms Eggleton, for being able to organise and give us the opportunity to participate in this competition. Experience is key in a competition like this, and we encourage all students to participate in T.O.M. in the future, as a co-curricular achievement.

The language literature team representing Sydney Boys High included: Ming Chin, Andrew Zhang, Thomas Nassif, Edric Wang, Riley Irwin, Robert Tan, Krishnendu Dutta, Vivek Shah and Gananatha Minithantri.

Vivek Shah & Gananatha Minithantri

Applied Technology

On 29th August the Tournament of Minds applied technology team, consisting of Christopher Chiam

(me), Sooraj Prakash, Suman Prusty, Nicky Pinidiya, Wu. Dominic He and Chandrasekharan, who unfortunately couldn't perform (but provided valuable help nonetheless), went to SGHS to perform our presentation. Our challenge was to research a Lost City having been given a series of clues as to its location and present, as a film and play, our knowledge of this city. After our six weeks of preparation our performance went relatively smoothly and at the end of the day we were happy to achieve Honours for our efforts. which is equivalent to runners up. To complement our long term challenge we also had to produce a solution to a spontaneous question involving the changing moods of a personified light bulb.

All up it was a great day and we are very proud of our achievements. We would also like to thank Ms Eggleton for all her hard work in coordinating and organising TOM at our school!

Christopher Chiam

POSTSCRIPT from Ms Eggleton

It was an absolute privilege to be involved with these students as they worked independently and with commitment in developing their presentations. Christopher Chiam and Gananatha Minithantri should be given credit for co-ordinating their team's activities. In fact, they were the facilitators, as well as participants. Earlier in the year, Christopher also stepped up, volunteering to orientate the year 7 team to the Da Vinci decathlon program. This is the sort of leadership of which High boys are capable. It is a wonderful example to set the junior students. Congratulations to all students involved on Sunday. Job well done!!



English

Literary Contributions

Quiet Drive

He remembers why he gave up the city and noise – to move to an area where the roads ran long and flat along an undulating coastline. A place that he could test himself.

The fence lies seven hundred meters from where he stands on the sun shaded porch. It sits low in the sky and the hills were only now beginning to swallow the sun up. Orange hangs in the air, a mist from the dam is starting to rise in the sinking light and it is swirling where it catches the wind. It is still. He looks towards the fence, a small section of it revealed beyond the rough the saltbush and Bottle trees. He steps off the porch and it creaks with his worn legs as he puts his weight on the final step before he feels the grind of the dry earth beneath him and walks off towards the fence. The round figures of the Bottle trees growing ever blue in the haze of the moon as he crawls into the dusk, away from the light of the porch and the moon behind him.

Black hills rise beyond the outstretched plains into a distance he cannot judge. The night is clear and is cooling from the sun's daily endeavour. He looks up above him to see the stars and stares into the sky and watches his breath fog over the spotted blackness and he listens. A quiet that rings in his ears, the sound of nothingness, the music of space, he breathes again. The efforts of the day have been made, and tomorrow shall be made again.

There are days when he feels too tired to wake in the early haze of the morning, the sun lying dormant beyond the horizon and the sea birds beginning to call as they wake. His body hurts from the day before, his legs, his arms, they crack as he steps off the bed and prepares. He drinks a coffee, strong with two sugars and eats a banana then heads out the back, shuts the door and prepares the gear. He pushes it towards the road out the gate that creaks and clunks with every opening and he clips in and pedals up the hill, his legs are not warm and pain him with every push as he climbs. He moves away from the sun, his helmet drowning out the sea birds as they fly. The roads are empty at first, the milk trucks stop to make their deliveries, and then they are empty again.

He started out without a bike; the stationary in the gym was the only option. There he would spend an hour each morning, sweating, burning and feeling for the first time how far he could push, how long he could go, how close to the edge he could come and still walk away at the end. Pushing his body had become an addiction. A bike was ordered, paid for, and shipped.

He had moved out of the village and on to the flats, the earth red and scatted with withering saltbush. He has a rhythm that he marks with the dashed lines in the road, like a drum of the peripherals. He reaches an incline and his focus changes, he beings counting, each pedal stroke becoming harder trying to maintain the rhythm. For his leg's longevity he shifts down, the revolution is easier. He comes to a flat gears up and finds the rhythm again.

Along he coastline the waves break quietly and the kites hang high on the bluffs, circling, waiting for food to move on the ground below. The bike and his body cut through the wind that grows with every bit of speed gained. He feels his legs now, his legs, they tell a story, they speak to him, pleading him to stop and in anger of his refusal, they burn. Sweat pours from his face like rain from a broken gutter, but still the bike hums in contentment and doesn't slow. His heart and lungs, beating, quietly, quickly and vision beginning to fade, he barely notices the sign into town, two kilometres. Unlike in films of heroic insanity where characters overcome some great adversity, it doesn't rain, and the sun shows no empathy toward his fading body so close to the edge he cant feel it any more.

A line of trees come into view and are close, sitting high on a beach. He knows the point where to stop and slows and recovers and begins to take in the surroundings, begins to come out of the zone of concentration. He hurts all over, his legs cramp and he sits on the dirt under the shade of the trees and drinks. He tells himself "tomorrow, you will not put yourself in that pain again, you will not do it to yourself, again".

His body hurts from the day before, his legs, his arms, they crack as he steps off the bed and prepares.

Jonah Petrie (Winner – P&C Senior Fiction Prize 2010)

Blue

Looking at this photograph has reminded me of another place and time, a lifetime ago in a faraway land. Can you remember that time? Was it really that far back? Forgot the name already, but I recall blue. The dazzling eyes, squinting to avoid the sun's glare. The pupil that seemed as deep as a well. There was no one else around for miles, he screamed out to the mountains, and listened to the resounding echoes, and yelled out again, starting a duet of thunderous voices. He stopped, and threw a rock. His khaki shorts were worn, and tattered at the edges from hiking off the track. In the heat of the moment in isolation, he plucked out an eyelash and made a wish 'I want to fly'.

He envied the eagle soaring proudly over the vast landscape, an icon of strength and grace. But there is hope yet, he thought, as he let go of the eyelash off the rock face. It fluttered down for a breath moment, towards the trees, before being uplifted by the wind, and flying. For a day he would be free from the hassles in life; his job, mowing the lawn, paying his taxes... He remembered something he wanted to do while here and began to yodel, a skill he had taken years to master, but stopped short as he ran out of breath. He drew a deep breath, if at first you don't succeed, try, try again. He yodelled to his heart's content, and felt as if his favourite Uncle could hear him however far he was. This was how he connected with him. His uncle went missing, doing what he was doing now.

Squirrel, that's what his Uncle called him because of his penchant for climbing trees and fondness of cashew nuts, and the name stuck, either that or monkey, which was where his uncle greeted him as 'Well I'll be a monkey's uncle'. It was quite unfortunate, that his nickname spread rapidly thanks to the internet, which may have been efficient, though not always for the best. The sky was turning red, it was time to get back to civilisation which didn't seem half as bad now that he went a day without human contact.

Kim Ji Cui

Belonging

It was the idiot in the Australian flag that did it. Perfect summer day and for a second I was stopped in my tracks, lungs forced shut by the pressure of the crush of people around me I'd always loved. I

needed to get away. I'd forgotten Australia Day was coming up, but this was days early. I weaved my way through streams of sun-soaking bodies, the sand clinging mercilessly to my bare feet, and sought refuge in the artificial cold and isolation of my car.

The air-con blasted away but it wasn't fast enough to stop me remembering. The heat, my forgotten co-conspirator, had seeped subtly into my head, dredging up images of more flags, flags worn much more violently. Wrapping white bodies almost head to foot, worn like suits of armour, worn for combat. Worn with shouts and empty beer bottles and the thrill of the angry mob. Worn by me, like a cloak of camouflage.

It was summer of 2005 and the air was thick and sludgy, weighed down by the collective body heat of five thousand yelling, drinking shire-dwellers. I've always been addicted to atmosphere, and at the time I was euphoric with the feeling that all of us were really one person, everyone interconnected. It was the most righteous feeling in the world, like having God on your side. I'm not tall, and all around me was blue and red and white, the golden-brown of coastal skin, the coarse sound of the yelling Aussie that carved out the air like it was wood. I was completely intoxicated, in a different way to everyone around me.

And then it intensified. The crowd moved. And it was where I was, the excitement. The Man of Middle Eastern Appearance was over by the club, Northies. He saw us coming and ran in. The heat of the chase, and I was sweating like crazy. Mad with the power of the collective mindset. My flag-cape riding up over my head in the crush of the crowd. They were pulling him out. I was closer and closer to the doors. They were pulling him out. Out he came. Up against a ute. They were laying into him. And me, right there. Me pushing forward. Head covered by the Australian flag. Body covered by a Sharks jersey. At the front. And thud. Twice hard in the back, a third glancing blow before a bald-headed freak in sunnies, smaller than me, somehow managed to push me out of the way to have his own shot. There was a policeman, on the left, elbowing a guy in the face to get to the centre of things. And there was The Man of Middle Eastern Appearance with his hands over his head up against the ute.

That was when it hit me. Like today. Middle of it all, and I had to get out. The heat of the moment was turning into a cold sweat on my face and back as the

man was led to safety by the police officer. I was pushing through a thick mire of sun-soaked bodies. Hating them all, hating everyone. Had to get out. Alone and safe from myself, and what I could do in the heat of things, when things got that hot. When I wasn't one, but we were one. When so much was at stake.

The sand had worked its way up into my thongs and coated my feet, even licked its way up into the insides of my nails. It chafed the space between my toes as I fled. I'd started running without noticing as soon as I was free from the mob, and I wasn't going anywhere. Just away from people. I couldn't trust myself with them. Couldn't face my parents especially, the clap on the back from my dad when I told him where I'd been, the little smile on my mum's face when my behaviour confirmed her belief that boys will be boys. I didn't go home until the next day. I slept on Wanda Beach a few kilometres north. Told my parents I'd been too wasted to make it home and crashed at a mate's. Proud backslap, knowing smile.

A Daily Telegraph issue clip-on Australian flag flew from the window of a passing Holden. Its colours were distorted a little by the tint of the windscreen. My car by now was cold and the last warmth of the sun's rays was melting off my back. I didn't like the feeling, but it was my own feeling. And that, in the end, was the important thing.

By Josh Sutton

Fire

As the vast menacing fire pit caught ablaze, I stood back and admired the beauty found in nature. The fire cast an orange haze above the canopy as if mystifying the night sky. Embers fluttered down from the tyrannous fire like beautiful, magnificent butterflies emerging from their cocoon before slowly drifting away. The embers like specks of copper, drifted down to the ground in a lazy manner. The warmth from the fire excited me and fuelled my passion for it. Its life was like a miracle from God. Each night when a new fire was lit, it restored the life lost in me throughout that day. Its driving force was like an enormous hive in which a queen bee thrives.

Suddenly, the fire accelerated at tremendous speeds and the height of the fire grew exponentially. As I lay on the grassy, mossy patch on

the enormous meadow, I pondered about my controlling passion for fire.

Fire, Fire,

The coarse, thick, black smoke emitted from the outraged fire was detectable by the olfactory senses for miles around. The menacing, outrageous scene before me managed to overpower my mind and the ruling passion I had for fire became evident once again.

Fire. Fire.

As the fire started to lose energy, logs of wood began to fall back, like they were suffering from severe exhaustion. Flicks from the fire, resembling miniscule solar flares, signified the expenditure of its energy. White, hot ashes from the fire became evident and they appeared to be insane, rabid dogs, frothing at the mouth like possessed fiends. As I watched the fire before me, I realised the passion I had for fire was devouring me, taking control of me, motivating me, driving me.

Fire. Fire.

The joy felt as a bystander watching the fire was immense and I could not understand the passion I had for it. It illuminated the environment and brought life to the atmosphere. Its presence became increasingly familiar and my intense connection with it could not be broken. Slowly, the brutal haze broke its formation and retreated, allowing the stars in the night sky to become visible, allowing them to peep through gaps in the clouds. The fire was losing its grip. I urged it on, however its fuel supply eventually diminished. All was quiet. Ouiet.

It was fire. The source of my life and purpose.

Fire. Fire.

By Joshua Maloof, Year 7

Brown

Brown. It hangs around. Sticks to your boots. Hides under your fingernails. Your fake tan is brown. Does it look real enough? It doesn't matter. You're in a swamp. Brown's your friend. Or is it? The brown mud sucks greedily. It blends with brown trees. Sunshine has become dirty. You hate this place. You sink further. Brown all around. Quick, think of something nice. Yes, brown chocolate. Smooth, sweet and scrumptious. A dog. Playful, cute and

cuddly. See, brown can be nice. To dogs, chocolate is poison. Oh dear, brown is betrayal. And it's sucking you down. You must get out. You claw upwards. But there is more brown. You are overwhelmed. You give up.

lan Li

Green

The other girl. The cool one. The fashionable one. Standing there surrounded by boys. Why can't that be me? She took her bag out. A group tried to help. She was annoyed. Imagine that. Getting annoyed fromattention? I envy her. Again, I think. Why not me? She was rich. She was popular. She was smart. I deserved that. Yet here I am. Hopeless. Poor. Shunned. What did I do to deserve this? I looked at her. Green as envy.

Jason Lam

Yellow

Yellow. Not bright yellow. Not like a sunflower. What was it like? More like a creamy colour. The colour of butter. It is warm. It welcomes you in. Yellow is home.

Yellow is the walls. And the potatoes I'm scraping. Muddy water covers my arms. Why are they so dirty? I search the bucket's depths. Dirt fills under my nails. I find the potatoes. Pick them out. They smell fresh.

I am in the kitchen. My granddad's kitchen. It's different to home. My place is modern. There's Asian food. But was it better? But grandad's place is different. Steam fills the air. Rushing water. The potatoes are cooked. They are yellow. Warm like the walls.

Outside is cold. Grey and wet. Good old Christchurch. Inside it was warm. The honey yellow kauri table. It was older than dad. The yellow wallpaper around me. Black pots hung from above. Grandad reached up for one. Back to the kitchen.

Marcus James

Another Yellow

Yellow. It is a sickening colour. The sun's yellow. It hurts to stare. So too does normal yellow. Would you like everything yellow? Sure, all sunshine at first. The Simpsons, bananas, lemons... For a time. But soon, you will tire. It'll close around you. It'll drive

you bananas. Do you wanna go bananas? Off to the funny farm. Sponge walls, they're yellow. Surrounded; ceiling, floor, four walls. Run into it, bounce back. It's an inescapable nightmare. You yell out yellow. Mocked, night and day. Still like yellow now?

Kim Ji Cui

Winslow

"We open with a long, panning establishing shot to reveal our hero, outlaw Colt McCoy in the midst of a heated Mexican standoff with the antagonistic and corrupt Sherriff Calhoun. The camera cuts to a medium close-up of the ghost town's tentative residents as they proceed to take refuge in the safety of the homes and stores that surround the two combatants..."

The sudden, sharp pang of Winslow's front door prompted him off the stool and towards the hallway. Like a tempest, his undiplomatic left hand swiped the makeshift cake-tin saloon that lay upright on the kitchen bench, crushing the plastic Colt McCoy that stood in the structure's unnatural shadow. "Winslow, it's just me, Trudy" came the shriek from beyond the reinforced door. Right on time, he acknowledged, peering towards the clock above. "It's about this month's Body Corporate meeting. We can't hold it here, just outside your apartment this month I'm afraid. You see, Marie's hip is playing up again and the walk upstairs won't do her any good. She takes the Minutes so we can't have her missing out, you know how it is. Do you think you'd be able to come down to the foyer? Just this once Winslow?" He pressed his eye against the peephole. Save the fish-eyed, stretched complexion, it was Trudy indeed. "Winslow? Are you there?" Trudy inquired. A shriek again. "Yes, yes. Just a moment" he responded reluctantly.

Winslow proceeded to release the first of four locks that bordered the front door frame as Trudy's voice continued to dominate the dingy apartment hallway, "How are you Winslow? How are the movie stories coming along?" Finally the third lock clicked open as Winslow hesitantly poked his head into the newfound, albeit small fragment of light that emitted from the hallway. The door chain that stretched to the nearby wall ensured only a fragment of Trudy could be seen. She passed the assortment of bills and Pizza Hut vouchers into the sun-forsaken hands of Winslow. "Good," he replied,

"thank you" before slamming the door and carefully reapplying each individual lock.

Winslow returned to the tense Western conflict of the kitchen bench, examining the protagonist casualty who lay amongst the ruins of the 'Sara Lee' saloon. He collected the remnants of the broken toy in his hands. Colt McCoy's expressionless face was left intact, much to Winslow's relief. "Some paint chipping, a bent revolver, just a minor setback, you'll be good as new soon my friend."

The computer hummed incessantly as Winslow broke the news. "There will be a slight delay regarding this week's episode of Colt, the Coyote Kid. I'm afraid our hero Colt has suffered an injury following a daring stunt in rehearsals. Nothing a little Hollywood make-up can't fix though, rest assured. Stay tuned to my channel and blog and thank you all for subscribing.

- KingWinslow69."

The murmurs of the other residents of forty-eight Tamar Street resonated though the floorboards as Winslow continued the daily update of his celebrated YouTube profile. He could make out the occasional exclamation from Danno, the overconfident brickie from flat four, and his neighbour, old Trudy. "Well he can't this time Daniel, it's a psychological condition, no don't laugh. Yes I asked him." The meeting continued, for the most part in silence, as Winslow ciphered through the comments and fan-mail in his internet inbox.

"Dear KingWinslow69, me and my brother really like ur coyote kid series. Ur voiceovers are heaps good, is it you doing them all? Can't wait for next week's episode."

"Well someone will have to tell him. He can't just stay here while they do it..." From downstairs.

"G'day KingWinslow69. That last episode was funny as. Keep doing what you do."

"He's agoraphobic! Your probably can't even spell it Daniel you bloody fool. We're not just carrying him out, no. This is a human being we're talking about." Trudy again.

"Want to know how Gerard Butler got ripped in just 3 weeks? Discover the celebrity fitness secret they don't want you to know: www.ad.server.8x44lm7.ck". Deleted.

"Well you tell him Trudy, you're the only one the

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kook actually acknowledges." Danno this time.

Progress with the inanimate Colt was long and arduous. A humid Tuesday had seen Winslow attempt to mix the appropriate paint colour to match the dirty brown of the outlaw's standardissue cowboy hat. A tedious process, but an important one nonetheless. Trudy's dreaded news from the day before lingered in the back of Winslow's mind as he reassembled the wounded hero.

"I know it sounds difficult Winslow but there's no alternative I'm afraid dear." Trudy had informed Winslow of the fumigation plans on the Monday afternoon. "I've called that lovely community nurse from the health centre down the street and she said she'd be more than happy to lend a hand. It'll only be for a few hours, you can grab a nice feed Winslow," she smiled, "even bring your camera!" Characteristically, Winslow was quick to dismiss her suggestion. A customary slamming of the heavy door was an answer enough.

The promised knock of the same door only days later pumped fear and trepidation in equal measure through a troubled Winslow. It had taken the brute force of the brickie Danno to unhinge the heavily fastened wooden barrier from its frame. Even the comforting and familiar voice of the accompanying young nurse was not enough to stir Winslow from his newfound refuge, positioned between two DVDladen bookcases in the living room. "For Crissakes mate, you'll be as dead as these bedbugs if you don't get out from there." Danno exclaimed, angling the newly separated door against the hallway wall. The nurse slowly proceeded through the apartment towards the coiled Winslow, "Hi Winslow, you remember me, yes? My name is Allie, would you like to come down to the centre for a nice meal?" she smiled. The aggressive retort of Winslow saw the nurse jolt back towards a concerned Danno in the hallwav.

"Dolly shot left to reveal our hero, Winslow Walker in the midst of a heated Mexican standoff with the antagonistic nurse Allie and arsehole Danno. The camera cuts to an extreme close-up of an upset Winslow, clearly unwilling to heed the bullshit words of his aggressors..."

Danno hastily advanced towards Winslow, "Alright that's enough mate, up we get." He effortlessly hoisted Winslow to his feet and, with the supportive nurse, ushered him through the doorway and

towards the foyer. The sun penetrated the foreboding front doors of the apartment block as Winslow was escorted closer and closer to perils beyond. He yelled upon stepping outside, struggling to escape the vice grip of Danno's hands.

The door slammed violently behind the three.

Fade to black.

Sam Darcy

The Ominous Arrival

The colour of the setting sun resembled the fleshy inside of a sliced opened plum. The sun cast an orange haze above the horizon, lighting up the sky as if lit by fire. The sun, like a large, orange fireball in the distance was partially cloaked by the dazzling, radiant, purple clouds. As the sun set lower, it seemed like a drop of blood, oozing onto a vast, blue carpet. The sinking sun slowly slid beneath the horizon. As if it was whispering, "Farewell" to the world as it disappeared in a lazy manner; almost as if it never wanted to leave like a blossoming, yellow flower in its final stages of life. All of a sudden, the sun was a speck of copper skimming the water's edge, before the vast, dark sea swallowed it whole into the horizon, marking the end of one day but the start of another in some distant land. The last arrows of furious colours escaped over the horizon, through an array of purple, pink, puffy clouds. As if someone had blown out a candle, the sun disappeared in a puff, plunging the world into darkness. Never ending darkness.

Then, a bolt of electric blue lightning created a bang that bellowed in the night like a distant roaring lion, aggressively defending its domain. Clouds began to fill the dark night as thunder hissed and crackled menacingly overhead. A small gap in the night sky allowed the stars to peep through and they sparkled above like silver hundreds and thousands sprinkled across badly burnt toast. The stars were like lost sailors, attempting to navigate their way through a dark, endless, black sea. Lightning aggressively struck the defenceless horizon, illuminating the sea for seconds, as if someone was teasing the sea by flicking a light switch on and off.

Torrential rain bucketed down and further blurred the scene, creating a pleasant sound of rain as it penetrated the water's surface. The cool rain dropped the temperature and sent shivers down my spine. It created an overwhelming, musty, earthy stench, detectable by the olfactory senses for miles around.

Suddenly, all went quiet. The clouds broke their seemingly impenetrable formation and quietly dispersed. The lightning no longer struck and the thunder no longer voiced his loud, angry boom. The stars appeared triumphantly in the night sky, brightly twinkling, victorious in their appearance. All was quiet. Quiet.

By Joshua Maloof

Communicating With Passion

'Feeling and craft
Are the greatest friends in all the arts;
And these correspond to passion and control'

How do you reach for an unattainable goal? How do you stand up unassailable and tall, When you are Autumn in its seasonal downfall? And how do you attain the simple success common to all,

If you are broken, not whole; Devoid of desire and beyond console?

The answer? Passion – the glory, And let the world into your dream Fashion your story Words flowing like a simple stream Through the paper; the timeless seam Words transcending your *memento mori*²

Many modest men have met
The desire to succeed
Their will to proceed
When all is gone; beset
By the agony of hard work undone
But the passion is never overcome

Therefore, appreciate the art
Embrace both vocal and written form
Take it close to heart
And through words, your focal idea is born

¹ From *The Right of Aesthetic Realism to Be Known* #212 "All the Arts," By Eli Siegel, Aesthetic Realism Foundation, First Published April 20th, 1977 http://www.aestheticrealism.net/tro/tro212.html

² A reminder of human mortality; of human failures or errors

English

Make it seem
Like a vivid painting
Hanging off the wall of reality
One in a collection; an exhibition
Of Man's true inhibitions
And tainted morality
Give them a fainting rendition
Of your capabilities
A simple vision
And limitless possibilities

Your writing – let it be a talent endowed.
With the might of the pen, allow
The world a single glance;
A pure, tentative glimpse of your raison d'être
Your worth; your purpose, and make brave new
ventures

Towards a bold unwavering chance To forge your identity in old pastures Or be original, draw intrigue like the 'Fête champêtre'

If there is one thing to remember when you reminisce

Then, take heed, it will always be this:
Not one man can overcome the power
Of one man's dream; witness
This spiritual guidance, and let not even Fear devour
Your towering sense of direction
For only you can determine your faith and predilection

If you choose to never forsake any given, daunting moment

In that trying hour; you'll be forgiven if you do not own it

You will truly succumb from that moment on To the sheer beauty, humanity before long. So let your words speak for themselves As you perceive what true inspiration involves.

Can you sense it; taste it; feel the virtue?
Knowing the weight of words; inspiring you
Then what you always knew
Without any doubt or hesitation
The pure advice from a world-weary generation
That simple phrase, resounding true:
Passion is for one to pursue
In your darkest hours.
It will be the ultimate sensation
Bringing you the greatest glory of simple elation

And making satisfaction yours When opportunity presents itself anew.

Will you let it control you? Indifference? In furious defiance? Or ride the wave Of triumph and Make a difference?

Daniel Paperny, Year 12 (Winner – P&C Senior Poetry Prize 2010

'93 Sierra

Standing there looking out the window I tried to think back to when I first noticed it. How long had it been there for? The familiar blue steel. The chunky black tyres. Could it really be? You know, when you see an old friend. Or a familiar face. Or a loved one who you haven't seen for years. It was like that.

The old '93 Sierra. Our one was one of the few blue ones ever made. It was unique. And it had character. It was like a Labrador. A trusty old friend. It took us places. Lush green places. Dry brown places. Cool blue places. With its roof down of course. Like a safari vehicle. It was a real companion.

We sold it after a while. We didn't need two cars. Not anymore at least. I was only 9 then. I begged dad. Don't sell it, I pleaded. Dad told me he'd sell it to someone who really cared. Someone who would take care of it. Dad didn't lie. He sold it to a young guy. He had fallen in love with the Sierra just like I had. It was a special feeling.

And now it was back. There on the road. It had been a long time. They say, there is generally one person in every situation whose power you must never underestimate. Well, it was like that. The Sierra. Just a small 1.6 litre engine. A crappy old gearbox. But who cares. It was great.

I sat there and stared at the car. Looking out the window longingly. Eventually some people came. What are they saying? I can't hear. And they get back into the car and drive away, leaving me standing there wondering if they even saw me.

Marcus James

http://www.wga.hu/frames-e.html?/html/g/giorgion/various/concert.html

^{3 &}quot;This work is one of the mysteries of European painting: in spite of its undeniable quality and epochal importance, opinions are divergent concerning both its creator and its theme. It is the outstanding masterpiece of the Venetian Renaissance, the summit of Giorgione's creative career..."

Mathematics

Australian Mathematics Competition 2010

Year	No.	Prizes	High Ds	Ds	Credits
7	176	1	18	86	67
8	176	1	20	96	57
9	194	5	21	74	70
10	193	3	21	64	77
11	180	5	18	86	46
12	123	1	15	43	42

The prize winners:

Lachlan Huynh (Y7)
Anthony Chen (Y8)
Eric Xu, Dominic Mah, Darryl Chan,
Edward Zhang, Anirudh Ramesh (Y9)
Gary Liang, Edward Naomov, Howe Chen (Y10)
Dennis Kim, Lawrence Cai, Declan Gorey,
Dawen Shi, George Panas (Y11)
John Wormell (Y12)

UNSW Mathematics Competition

Junior Division

Gary Liang (Distinction)
Abeer Khan (Credit)

Senior Division

Declan Gorey (High Distinction)
Dawen Shi (High Distinction)
Max Wei (Distinction)
Daniel Luo (Credit)
Eric Feng (Credit)

Olympiads

2010 Australian Maths Olympiad (AMO)

Both John Wormell and Declan Gorey received a silver medal.

2010 Asian-Pacific Maths Olympiad (APMO)

Declan Gorey was awarded a bronze medal.

Australian Mathematics Olympiad Committee

Declan Gorey won a prize in the Senior Division.

Science

2010 was a great year in the Science faculty. Academic performance is always the main event but this year there were some notable sideshows. The opening of the new labs was probably the biggest.

There was some reservation accompanying the excitement of having brand new labs. The new lab design would launch us into the future but would require some changes to the approach used for decades. Many parents would be familiar with the old 10 bench laboratories from their school days. These have all been replaced with state of the art facilities.

It didn't take long for staff to throw off any reservation about the new labs. They are superb. The separate work spaces, wi-fi, short throw projectors, large fume cupboards(that work), and a spacious new preparation room complete with compactus have provided a work space that staff and students all enjoy.

Not all our science was learnt in the lab. A range of field trips supplemented the curriculum. Year 7 reclassified the zoo, Year 8 braved the crustaceans and molluscs at Long Reef, Year 9 explored the Powerhouse Museum and the Aquarium, Year 10 studied the physics of Fun Park design at Luna Park, the Biologists counted marsupials at Camp Kedron and operated Sydney University's electron microscope. The chemistry students also spent time at Sydney University studying Chemical Monitoring and Management.

2010 saw the following staff movements. Ms Hybler was appointed in place of Mr Benett who retired the previous year. Mr Deeming look leave and announced his retirement. Mr Perre stepped in to replace Mr Deeming. Mr Smith took extended leave. Mr Benett came back to replace Mr Smith. Ms Damianos continued her maternity leave and was replaced by Dr O'Driscoll and Mr Russell filled in when needed. Despite all that, the transitions were seamless. The science teachers are to be commended on their communication and teamwork. The DET's "Value Added" numbers confirm our view that the boys at Sydney High have excelled in science this year.

Looking forward to 2011.

Michael Kay Science Head Teacher

Music Department

2010 kicked off to a spectacular start with the Music Tour to France & Flanders well underway. A busy practice schedule saw students involved rehearsing almost every morning from the Stage Band and Combined Concert Band to The String Ensemble and Marching Band. The Music Tour was a brilliant success involving 50 students and 5 staff. We were highly received by audiences at every venue we performed at in Paris including Cathedrale St Louis des Invalides, La Madeliene Church and 'La Flamme' ceremony at L'Arc de Triomphe. Some of the greatest highlights had to be our performances in the towns of Fromelles and Peronne where we received standing ovations and thunderous applauses. The Tour culminated in our performance at the ANZAC Day Dawn Service in Villers-Bretonneux followed by the march through the village of Bullecourt for commemorations of the Diggers' Memorial. This was certainly a once in a lifetime Music Tour and a truly unforgettable experience by all involved.

Upon returning from the Music Tour, we went straight back into the swing of things with all ensembles up and running. HSC Music students were busily preparing for their practical examinations in September and written later in October. This year saw a record breaking number of eleven Encore nominations in performance; an outstanding achievement by all our boys who worked tirelessly throughout the year.

Our *Spring Music Festival* was held on the 23rd of November after our Annual Music Assembly which acknowledged the great achievements of our music students and featured inspiring performances from some of our year 12 Encore nominated students. The *Spring Music Festival* featured all our large ensembles including the Concert Bands, Orchestras, String Ensembles and Choir, all of whom performed a brilliant array of diverse repertoire. The *Jazz in the Courtyard Concert* followed the epic *Spring Music Festival* evening with all our Stage Bands, Jazz Ensemble and Guitar Ensemble after a whole day of music workshopping with Jazz professionals.

Other musical performance highlights in 2010 include our involvement at the Education Expo in Eastgardens, St Vincent's Hospital Healing Arts Program, HSC Showcase Concert evening and *Le Pain Quotidien* in Surry Hills as part of the 'Soiree to Showcase our Future' program, a busy end to an enormous year.

Paris and Ypres

Monday 12 April: We arrived at the Paris CDG, and we met our tour guide, Merilyn Hardy. From there we took a bus to the MIJE Hostel, where we would be staying for the next week. With



only our backpacks and huge excitement, we went out to explore Paris starting with a visit the great **Notre Dame Cathedral**, one of the largest churches in existence. The interior of the church was fascinating, looking at the various pieces of art and glasses made 100's of years ago. After that, we were given free time and many of us went around the area exploring the various shops and buying supplies for late night snacks.

Tuesday 13 April: After an early wake up, half of us set out for the **Musee d'Orsay** and the other half went to the Musee Rodin. We saw various artworks and sculptures that made some of us think what was going through the minds of the artists at the time. After our time in the museums we headed back to the hostel to get ready for our concert in **Les Invalides**. We had the opportunity to explore the church of **Les Invalides** before our concert and played in the in front of the ambassador of France from Australia. After some radio interviews, we went back to the hostel get ready for another day of exploring.

Wednesday 14 April: Another early morning and another breakfast of croissants, we took the Paris Metro to the Louvre. Spending only two hours in the Louvre was certainly not enough to soak in everything but it was enough time to explore most of the famous pieces of artwork. Many of us were surprised at the delicate size of the Mona Lisa when we finally got to see it. By 12:30pm that afternoon, we went to explore Monet's House and beautiful Garden at Giverny which took our breath away.

Thursday 15 April: The time in the morning was designated to free time around Paris, especially the Marais, Les Halles and Bastille area. After a quick lunch, we got ready for our concert at the Madeleine Church. We also managed perform in the La Flamme Ceremony at the L'Arc de



La Madeleine Church

Triomphe where the band did well to stand under the Arc in the cold winds, and after performing, we climbed to the top and explored L'Arc de Triomphe, where we saw much of the night lights of Paris. After a well earned dinner at the Monte Carlo, we went back to the hostel to prepare for our last day in Paris.

Friday 16 April: We took the metro to the **Eiffel Tower** and much of our time was spent soaking up the view at the top of the tower. We then left the tower and headed for the **Palace of Versailles** in the afternoon. The inside of the palace was full of beautiful artworks and amazingly ornate rooms. The garden was huge and absolutely spectacular with waterways and fountains, an abundance of statues and garden mazes over acres of land. Although a rehearsal was planned after dinner, we were rewarded with free time to spend our final evening in Paris to explore the area one last time.

Saturday 17 April: After packing up our luggage, we head out for a long drive to Ypres, which took about 6 hours with a lunch stop at Lille. When we arrived at the tiny town of **Ypres**, we had to quickly change into our performance uniforms to play in

Ypres Market Square for of the general public which was then followed by dinner at a local restaurant and then perform at the 7pm Menin Gate Ceremony held every evening. We played extremely well, considering the pressure that was placed upon us by the amount of people attending and the significance of the venue. The whole band received great praise from the audience in attendance, and we went back to the hotel feeling elated.

Sunday 18 April: We spent most of the morning exploring the battlefields in the area around Ypres, visiting the Messines Ridge, Hill 60, Tyne Cot and many other places. In the afternoon we headed to Fromelles for a concert, but prior to that we went to the local war museum and the new cemetery for the last Australian Soldiers that has just been built. At 6:00pm, we went to the Church of Jean Baptiste to play for the people of Fromelles, where we were given a standing ovation. The townspeople and Mayor invited us for a light supper after our much appreciated performance and fed us generous servings of sandwiches and custard tarts.

Monday 19 April: This day was reserved for the

exploration of **Brugges**, a refreshing city in the heart of Belgium said to be the best place for chocolate, they were certainly right. We got the chance to explore the shops and the sites in this remarkable city.

Tuesday 20 April: Today we explored the town of Ypres and visited the **Menin Gate**, the **'In Flanders Fields' Museum**, and walked around the town soaking in the atmosphere. Some of us used this much needed time to go do our laundry and relax at the hostel.

Albert

We arrived in **Albert** on the 21st of April and immediately checked in to our hostel spending most of the day unpacking and lazing around the games room of the hostel, getting acquainted with our new surroundings. The following day we took a day trip to **Amiens** and wandered around the city in small group. We saw the UNESCO listed Amiens Cathedral and many other sites in the city. Later that evening we performed in Villers-Bretonneux town hall which was easily one of our best concerts, we were well received judging by the crowd's response. The following day we had free time around Albert before we travelled to Peronne to perform two concerts, one at 2pm and the other at 8pm. In between the two concerts, we were invited to tour the Peronne War Museum. Our 8pm concert was also a huge success and we performed alongside a Scottish Bagpipe Band. The concert was followed by a loud and joyous bus trip back to the hostel where we all celebrated by singing the school song and other medleys.

The next day, we were awakened at around 3:00am on ANZAC day for our dawn service performance which began around 5:30am. Assembled in the freezing cold for the service, we all played very well including a difficult solo by Shaun Fletcher in the icy cold. Later that day, we also played in the ANZAC march through the Somme Battlefields at Bullecourt where we marched and played alongside many of the ANZAC and French Army veterans from WWI. After our final concert, we returned to our hostel and packed our bags ready to leave the following morning. The flight back to Sydney was a 14-hour trip with a stopover in Kuala Lumpur which most of us spent sleeping or eating, thoroughly worn out after our tour. We returned to Sydney and finally returned home for some much needed rest.

Ben Hillier, 10T and Shaun Fletcher, 10S

Training Concert Band

Training Concert Band this year was a fun and easy way to start learning how to play our new instruments in a band. I began alto saxophone this year and being part of the Training Concert Band has made learning more enjoyable than just having lessons and playing solo.

Our band started out very small with only two people and after a while (and Ms Lim's constant reminders) our band grew to a relatively large size of about fifteen people.

We worked on three pieces: Guantanamera, Highbridge Way, and then my favourite, Funky Town. Playing these in my first concert here was a great experience and made easy by Ms Lim's careful guidance and instructions from the very beginning. We thank her for her hard work in helping us get up to scratch, now we don't screech nearly as much as we used to.

I recommend anyone starting an instrument to join Training Concert Band, no matter what year they're in. It is well worth the effort.

Jesse Nixon, 7M

Intermediate Concert Band

The Intermediate Concert Band, conducted by Ms. Miller, got off to a late start in term two due to the France Music Tour. But the band has managed to put together some difficult pieces through good attendance rates and a great effort at rehearsals.

This year, the band received many new Year 7 recruits who have done an excellent job at settling in and learning the challenging repertoire despite the time constraints and continue to impress everyone with their musicality and skill.

The year was capped off with our performance in the Spring Music Festival in November where we played Fire Dance and The Spiritual. The evening was a great success with excited parents cheering and clapping. I would like to acknowledge all the band members who got up early every Monday morning and Ms Miller for devoting much of her time to the band in rehearsals and leading up to performances. I would also like to thank the band members and especially Ms. Miller for making Intermediate Concert Band rehearsals fun and enjoyable and for helping the entire band to gain valuable musical skills and experience that would otherwise be

impossible to attain. We are all looking forward to another exciting new year with new repertoire.

Brendan Hancox, 8F

Junior Stage Band

2010 was an exciting year for the Junior Stage Band with us performing in two concerts and having heaps of fun every week on Wednesday mornings. We rehearsed and played 5 songs over the year which include It Don't Mean A Thing (If It Aint Got That Swina) an overall favourite. The Girl from Impanena. and Ms Miller's favourite, Tequila. We really enjoyed learning these songs but some weeks were a little boring as we would only play one song in the whole session working to refine the detail! Kin Pan did a great job in leading the band, leading us in and cutting us off when Ms Miller made us play by ourselves. Ms Miller is a wonderful conductor, always giving us helpful tips and tricks of the trade as we went along. We had a great year and a great time.

Marc Betbeder-Matibet, 7M

Junior String Ensemble

The Junior String Ensemble had a largely successful year in 2010. It was great to come back this year and see old faces again early Monday mornings. Over the weeks newcomers started to trickle in, especially year 7's. Over the course of the year, several new viola players and a cellist joined our ranks. Showing off our newfound talents, we played superbly in the concert on November 21st, putting a whole year's worth of work into perfecting our pieces. I would like to thank Ms Ann Worthington for her hard work and dedication to the ensemble, arriving at 7:15am every Monday morning to set up room 205 so that when string players arrived at 7:30am, we could start playing immediately. I would also like to thank my fellow musicians for making the effort to come to school so early on a Monday morning to make rehearsals so enjoyable and worthwhile, hopefully there will be many more new faces in the ensemble next year.

Simon Luong, 9R

Senior String Ensemble

Senior Strings this year has improved greatly under the direction of our new conductor, Ms Irwin. Ms Irwin, principal violinist of the Opera and Ballet Orchestra, has brought new inspiration to the group. She has helped us expand our repertoire and increased our technical skill. Senior Strings performed at the school Open Day, Westfield shopping centre Eastgardens as part of education week and Spring Music Festival. Thanks to all the teachers and students involved.

Toby Funston, 10T

Philharmonic Orchestra

Our performance at the Spring Music Festival was really successful and I would like to thank Ms Worthington, Ms Lim, Ms Miller and Ms Gilmore for all their time spent on helping us throughout the year, developing our musical talent and coordination with other members of the ensemble to produce a wonderful performance. Once again, I would like to thank all the music teachers for their efforts into helping us to develop into better musicians.

Jeremy Chan, 8E

Symphony Orchestra

This year the Symphony Orchestra can proudly announce that, despite a late start midyear due to the 2010 France Music Tour, we are now well and truly back on track towards performing Gershwin's famous Rhapsody in Blue on 21st November 2010 after rehearsing the masterpiece every Friday morning this year. It is a great milestone in the history of the Symphony Orchestra, and is also thanks to the students who regularly arrive at school at 8am to take part in rehearsals and the dedicated hard work and the laudable conducting skills of Ms Suzanna Lim.

Led by concertmaster Andre Brokman or assistant concertmaster Wen Jia Liu, the Sydney Boys Symphony has seen a record in numbers. This year the string section has benefited immensely from the help of Rebecca Irwin, a professional violinist herself who tutored and conducted strings-only rehearsals. Perhaps one of the other worthwhile aspects of this year in Sydney Boys Symphony was away from the confines of Room 201 when we attended an unusually impressive concert at the Opera House in the school holidays under the baton of conductor Kristjan Järvi with respected Australian pianist Michael Kieran Harvey, who improvised all his solos in Rhapsody in Blue.

As the 2010 Season of Sydney Boys Symphony draws to a close, we say farewell and a big thank you to those Year 12s who have given up their Friday morning sleep-ins for a very good cause. So good luck to those who leave us and to the students who will continue in 2011.

Jesse Chen Yr 11

Chamber Choir Report

The Chamber Choir of 2010 was once again large in size and led by Ms Lim, who conducted rehearsals on both Tuesday and Wednesday mornings. Barring the recruitment of a few more Year 7's as sopranos, the Chamber Choir remained largely the same as last year, with the presence of some seniors to provide the much needed experience.

The first piece we learnt, was the famous spiritual song, Swing Low, Sweet Chariot, arranged into four parts by Andrew Pryce Jackman. The Gaelic Song (dedicated to Gene Cauley), was a two part Irish Folk melody with simple, yet beautiful and flowing melodies, shared between two voice parts, as well as having fine lyrics and the song was certainly enjoyed by all. George Frederic Handel's Ombra Mai Fu arranged by Henry Leck, was the third piece we thoroughly rehearsed and accompanied by the Senior String Ensemble in the concert. The Choir managed to succeed in perfecting the piece after several months of rehearsals. The Chamber Choir successfully performed the pieces at the Spring Music Festival in November after a year of hard work.

I would like to thank and congratulate every member of the choir for their commitment and hard work and I look forward to seeing them sing in the Chamber Choir again next year. Finally I would like to express thanks to Ms Lim for her hard work.

David Li Wang, 11R

Jazz Ensemble

This year's Jazz Ensemble has had a successful year. Although the band did not perform at any concerts in the first half of the year due to several band members' involvement in the France Tour, the latter half of the year has been busy. Apart from the annual Jazz in the Courtyard gig, the band performed at the Le Pain Quotidien "Soiree to Showcase our Future" concert, which was a valuable experience for all of the band members.

The Jazz Ensemble's success cannot merely be attributed to the band members, as none of it would have been possible without Mike Gubb's experienced advice and mentoring. Special thanks also go to the Music Staff, who organised all of the events for the Jazz Ensemble.

Ennes Mehmedbasic, 10T

Senior Concert Band

Proceedings for the Senior Concert Band were slightly disrupted due to the obvious prioritising of the France and Fromelles Music Tour. However, it was pleasing to note that a large number of Senior Concert Band members took part in the music tour, providing invaluable experience in performances in some of France and Belgium's foremost venues, particularly for the experienced players. Repertoire for the music tour consisted largely of previous Senior Concert Band material, such as *Cirque Du Soleil* and *Serenade*. Thus, upon return, the concert band had a renewed level of musicianship which would be implemented into our set of newly acquired repertoire.

The pieces we learnt included Robert Sheldon's Art in the Park and Robert Longfield's arrangement of Aaron Copland's Fanfare for the Common Man. Art in the Park features a number of movements such as a lively Le Cycliste, dreamy renditions of The Shadowed Stream and Excavation, as well as a flowing Transfiguration. Aaron Copland's composition is largely a brass feature which shows off the high calibre of trumpet players in our concert band. Following a much anticipated concert taking place, there were definitely a few eager ears amongst the crowd as the Senior Concert Band members showcased their talents at the Spring Music Festival. We would like to thank Ms Gilmore for choosing challenging and wonderful repertoire and conducting us this year.

Michael Phung, 11F

Senior Stage Band

The Tour Stage Band received great rounds of applause and encores from our French and Belgian audiences with our pieces *Sydney by Night* by the famed James Morrison, *Sway, Recycled Blues* by Ed Wilson, *It's Only a Paper Moon* and a Jazzy rendition of *I Still Call Australia Home*. Leading up to France Tour, Senior Stage Band worked intensively under

the tutelage of Dave Panichi, playing pieces covering a wide spectrum of Jazz repertoire, from Stevie Wonder's very funky *Superstition* to the famed *St. Louis Blues* dating back to the earliest stages of Jazz music.

After the France Tour, Senior Stage Band got right back to work, expanding our repertoire with the popular *Route 66* and developing a piece called *N'Orleans Thang*, a work in progress composed by our very own conductor Dave Panichi. Quite recently, all our year's hard work payed off as we worked towards our performance at the Jazz in the Courtyard Concert in November, performing *Superstition* and a new James Morrison piece *Ease On In* to an enthusiastic audience, highly impressed by the progress we have made since the end of last year.

With another great, albeit slightly more relaxed year over, the Senior Stage Band has made significant progress with our performance skills, giving us a solid sound that is well received by the audience. But our great progress this year couldn't have happened without the hard work and expertise of our

director Dave Panichi, giving us 'cats' great advice on how to improve our performance and giving us all a great stage band experience yet again.

Jordan Saito-Patch, 11R

Guitar Ensemble

Guitar Ensemble was held every Friday morning this year. Directed by Sean Windsor, we played a large variety of songs throughout the year such as *Grace* by Jeff Buckley, *Supermassive Black Hole* by Muse and *Today* by Smashing Pumpkins. We also learned to play different rock versions of Christmas songs which we performed at the school concert. It was great to see a good turnout every week with students from all years from. Guitar Ensemble was a rewarding experience and learning a lot of new techniques and working as a group. The parties at the end of term were a real bonus that we all really enjoyed. We would all like to thank Sean for his contribution in Guitar Ensemble and look forward to next year.

Sufat Sufian 9T



Symphony Orchestra

Back Row: E.Xu, E.Mehmedbasic, K.Li, M.So, M.Wong, A.Booth, M.Rosza, N.Kok, M.Phung, J.Chan, N.Tang. **Third Row:** W.Koslowski, T.Zhang, J.Saito-Patch, S.Comninos, C.Morrison, L.Sheldon, E.Ovadia, J.Pallandi, R.Gu, K.Cheng, F.Zhang.

Second Row: Mr P.Pang, K.Huang, S.Nagaraj, T.Wu, R.Irwin, J.Chan, E.Lee, B.Hancox, J.Ng, R.Hao, E.Wang.
Front Row: M.James, S.Fletcher, J.Chen, T.Woods, B.Hillier, A.Brokman, T.Funston, J.Dobrowolski, A.Shi, J.Ren, W.J.Liu.



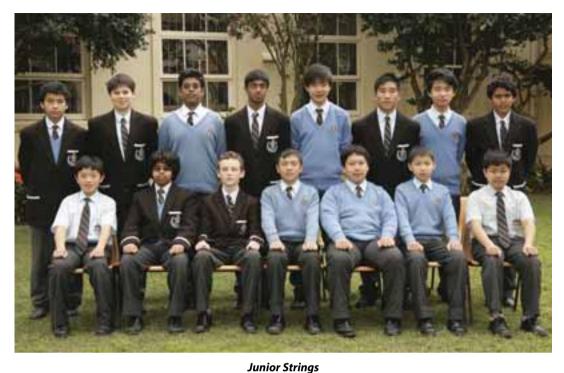
Philharmonic Orchestra

Back Row: T.Funston, T.Zhang, V.Prapakaran.
Second Row: S.Prusty, C.Wang, Y.Han, N.Tang, J.Chan, H.Zhu.
Front Row: E.Wang, G.Liu, E.Koo, S.Luong, S.Arvind, K.Chong, S.Kumareswaran.



Senior Strings

Back Row: S.Nagaraj, T.Funston, K.Cheng, J.Pallandi, T.Zhang, M.So, F.Zhang. **Front Row:** K.Li, J.Ng, W.Tam, A.Brokman, W.Liu, R.Irwin, T.Wu.



Back Row: S.Luong, A.Allingham, S.Vimalanthan, V.Prapakaran, W.Gong, N.Tang, C.Wang, S.Arvind.
Front Row: C.Shi, S.Kumareswaran, S.McKenna, K.Chong, J.Ng, J.Kuang, G.Liu.



Senior Concert Band

Back Row: S.Comninos, E.Ovadia, B.Wilcox, C.Morrison, L.Sheldon, I.Eveleigh, S.Marques, E.Zhang, J.Saito-Patch.
 Second Row: O.Kirk, R.Gu, E.Mehmedbasic, A.Fong, S.Pak, L.Zhou, M.Chan, AS.Booth, D.Luo, M.Rosza.
 Front Row: T.Pilien, M.Fong, T.Nguyen, S.Wang, M.Wong, M.Phung, B.Hillier, J.Dobrowolski, S.Fletcher, M.James, T.Connolly.



Intermediate Concert Band

Back Row: B.Hancox, J.Yu, T.Nguyen, B.Jiang, S.Wang, E.Li, D.Wei, A.Tan, K.Pan, O.Long.

Third Row: J.Chan, S.Viswanadham, P.Stephens, B.Xie, M.Liang, W.Wu, E.Zhang, H.Feng, D.Kong, M.Liu, P.Choi.

Second Row: E.Wang, J.Lim, D.Chan, K.Lau, L.Chen, J.Kuang, M.Wu, Y.Zhou, T.Wu, P.Lam, L.Hoad, M.Ng.

Front Row: H.Gu, A.Nguyen, C.Mao, J.Kwon, K.Ni, D.Lin, M.Betbeder-Matibet, L.Lee, J.Chew, P.Mai, A.Lee.



Training Concert Band

Back Row: Ms S.Lim, T.George, J.Nixon, D.Chiang. **Front Row:** A.Lam, M.Liu, J.Chin,



Senior Stage Band

Back Row: I.Eveleigh, B.Wilcox, C.Morrison, L.Sheldon, J.Sutton. **Second Row:** A.Fong, S.Pak, T.Iyer, S.Comninos, E.Ovadia, E.Zhang, T.Connolly, J.Saito-Patch. **Front Row:** S.Fletcher, M.Rosza, M.Chan, M.Phung, M.Fong, A.Booth, B.Hillier.



Junior Stage Band

Back Row: B.Xie, M.Liang, D.Keogh, E.Zhang, M.Stojanovik, W.Wu, O.Kirk, M.Liu, M.Viswanadham. **Second Row:** J.Lam, M.Betbeder-Matibet, K.Pan, J.Nixon, A.Feng, B.Jiang, B.Hancox, B.Angell. **Front Row:** M.Ng, D.Chan, T.Wu, M.Liu, C.Mao, J.Chu, L.Chen, M.Nguyen, L.Jones.



Marching Band

Back Row: E.Ovadia, I.Eveleigh, L.Sheldon, C.Morrison, B.Wilcox, C.Stack.

Fifth Row: D.Keogh, T.Connolly, E.Zhang, S.Comninos, W.Wu, S.Marques, J.Saito-Patch, M.Liang.

Fourth Row: J.Nixon, M.Wong, R.Gu, L.Zhou, M.Chan, S.Pak, A.Fong, A.Booth, M.Rosza, A.Feng.

Third Row: M.Liu, K.Ni, S.Viswanadham, B.Hillier, S.Wang, M.Phung, S.Fletcher, M.Betbeder-Matibet, N.Costa.

Second Row: J.Kwon, J.Chew, B.Hancox, T.Pilien, J.Dobrowolski, M.James, K.Pan, J.Chan, C.Mao, P.Mai.

Front Row: J.Lin, T.Wu, M.Wu, H.Gu, L.Chen, K.Lau, Y.Zhou, E.Wang, M.Ng.



Choir

Back Row: B.Mo, C.Xu, M.Liu, J.Chen, V.Hu, W.J.Liu, O.Lee, T.Nguyen, B.Jin, P.Stephens,
Third Row: G.Zhang, B.Xie, E.Wong, T.Chan, Y.Wong, H.Liu, D.Wang, K.Cheng, P.Chen, W.Wu, S.Marques.
Second Row: D.He, A.Cheung, D.Tam, H.Zhu, J.Ng, J.Lam, D.Li, W.L.Zhuang, B.Kong, V.Yang, D.Shao, Ms S.Lim.
Front Row: K.Liu, D.Vo, C.Chan, R.Cheng, E.Le, K.Jiang, S.Wang, I.Li, H.Lam, W.Du, J.Chan.



Jazz EnsembleE.Mehmedbasic, J.Pallandi, S.Comninos, B.Wilcox, J.Saito-Patch, A.Booth, M.Phung.



Guitar Ensemble

Back Row: H.Heo, W.Ho, D.Kim, L.Fang.
Second Row: D.Li, A.Wang, M.Chin, E.Luu, H.Xu, W.Chang.
Front Row: J.Lane, C.Zeng, M.Hauser, J.Lam, J.Hu, K.Robinson, I.Marinov.

Visual Arts







Juan Castillo, Close to You (in memory), 2010, acrylic on canvas

Year 12 Visual Arts

The truck was packed and waved goodbye to as the 2010 Visual Arts body of works left for marking. It was a good selection of work. All students can be proud of their efforts. There was a pleasing variety of ideas and materials used by these students with each work unique, resolved and professionally presented. On one level they could be interpreted as self-portraits, yet they had wider ripples of meaning; meanings that transcend the personal and could be interpreted as universal.

The subject matter was highly original in each work and each student has the creative ability to pursue a career in the arts. What they will all take to their future employment is an understanding of the creative process and an ability to resolve ideas into finished products. Each of these boys, (now young men), has a significant contribution to make.













Caillin Mc Kay "Like an Onion, 2010", photography and mixed media



Andy Chiem, "Through the Years", 2010, Drawing



Bao Khuu, "Nursery Rhymes Did Not Speak of This", 2010, mixed media sculpture



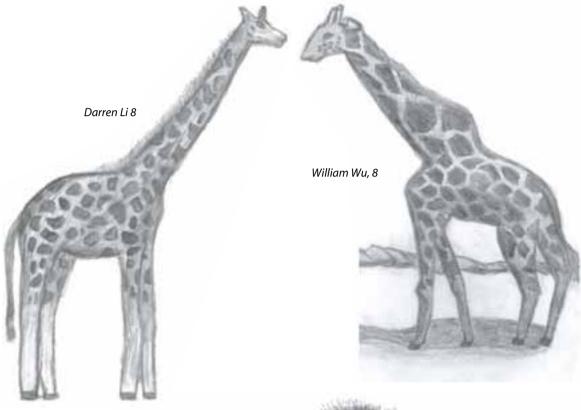
Alexander Saunders, "A Cloud of Butterflies in my Head, (A Lepidopterist's Search for the Soul)", 2010, Mixed media



Sam Darcy, stills from "Re-framed", 2010, Film

Visual Arts Excursions and Events

All elective Visual Arts students [Years 9-12] visited The National Gallery to see the "not-to-be-missed" Muse Dorsay exhibition and to explore the permanent collection.



Other Excursions

Year 8 attended the annual zoo excursion in perfect weather. Great drawings were gathered as starting points for ink and lino works back in class.

Year 10 Visual Arts had a drawing day in the city as the springboard for their School Certificate Body of Work.

Year 10 Visual Design visited Coogee Beach to gather inspiration for animation works back at school.



Year 7 Visual Arts





Benjamin Nguyen



Ryo Kawahashi

Jaiden Chin

Year 7 investigated fears and fantasies in different cultures past and present. They created a sculptural hybrid fantasy creature in clay. In the second half of the year students were introduced to the history of perspective and completed landscape and interior perspective drawings. They developed their understanding of tonal variation and creating a sense of mood within an artwork. These were developed into small canvas paintings.

Year 8 Visual Arts

Year 8 began the year studying portraiture, mastering facial proportions and developing clay masks. In the second half of the year they took the annual trip to Taronga zoo where they gathered direct sketches and developed them into expressive ink drawings and lino prints.









William Du

Weber Liu

Christopher Wang

Henry Fang

Year 9 Visual Arts



Year 9 explored a variety of materials over the year. Twentieth Century art and concepts were a major focus. These paintings represent their investigation into abstraction, art and design elements and principles and the technical aspects of acrylic paints. They also explored the range of colour and tone between complementary colours.





Kevin Chu

Year 10 began the year exploring post modern concepts and major events and social issues. Students produced mixed media appropriation art works that addressed issues or events of concern and interest. The second semester saw students visit the city for a day of photography, film and drawing. Back in the classroom students were required to produce a Body of Work that reflected their impressions of the urban environment in a medium of their choice. Work ranged from large scale expressive drawings to lino prints to oil paintings.



Slava Reiyder



Sai Sivayogarayan

Lloyd Perris





Matthew McDonald collagraph dyptich







Kevin Chu

Conor Stack

Visual Arts



Leo Lou



Anthony Lin



Martin Yoon

Year 11 Visual Arts

Year 11 Visual Arts students worked across a variety of mediums and themes from site specific to issues about personal and national identity. Students experimented with creating a mini Body of Work and explored the agencies of the art world refining their responses to the cultural output of local and international artists.



Cameron Morrison



Andrew Hau



Tom Diep



Anthony Lin, site specific



Cameron Morrison and Mikey Reid, site specific collaborative work

Yr 9 Film Making and Digital Media

Year 9 Film Making students worked on two major film projects this year.

For the first project, 'The Test,' students are all given the same script and are required to decide on a genre and an ending to the script. To introduce the students to the film making process, the first project required the students to nominate the role they would like to take within a film crew and then each student is randomly put into a group each with a camera operator, director and a number of actors.



Once production is completed the boys edit the films individually, each submitting their own three minute version of the film.

This year's two film classes produced some of the funniest and most imaginative shorts films I have seen for this project. Well done boys!

The second project (which is currently in the postproduction stage) required the students to select their own crew, devise their own idea and write their own script and storyboard. The guidelines of the project required the boys to work within the Film Noir style. This style is studied in class and part of the marking criteria focuses on how well the group is able to encapsulate the style of Noir through lighting, storyline, character development and shot selection.

Here are some of the still images from their Film Noir films:









Year 10 Film Making and Digital Media

Year 10 Film Making completed one partner project, two individual film projects and a group 'Film Challenge'.

Year 10 Film Making gives the students a chance to further develop their skills using the video camera, post –production techniques and processes as well as learning to structure their ideas and scripts for short films on their own.

The first project required the students to work in pairs to create a one minute abstract film based on a theme given to the class. It required the students to move away from narrative based films and to focus on imagery working harmoniously with the rhythm and pace of chosen music.



The second and third projects required the students to be a solo film maker-usually playing the role of director, actor, camera operator and script writer. The first task, 'Video poem', required the boys to create a film based on a poem or piece of music whilst the second project, 'My life in 60 Seconds,' was a sixty second focus on one aspect of their life.

The final project 'Group Film Challenge', challenged the students to complete a short film in a limited time frame. They must again work in a chosen crew and produce a short film based on a single theme.





Whilst time is a limitation and they must stick to the theme, groups are free to develop their film into any storyline, genre and style that they choose. This year's groups are currently completing what looks like some very exciting films based on the theme 'Epiphany', one in particular seems to have appropriated ideas from both The Matrix and Inception films.

In Year 10 Film Making, students are able to develop their knowledge of film directors and cinematographers. Student study the history of



cinematography and analyse the structure and cinematography of a number of classic films.

This year's Year 10 class impressively challenged themselves with new post –production techniques. All students used the Adobe After -Effects in some aspect their films. I was particularly impressed with how well this class moved away from the basic narrative film structure and developed some beautifully artistic and sophisticated short films.

Social Science

Faculty: Mr Codey, Mr Dolan, Dr Finnie, Dr Ganderton, Mr Kay, Mr Moody, Mr Storey (Term 1-retired after 39 years in the public service) Ms Kalonikos (Terms 2& 3), Mr G Barris (permanent appointment from Term 4) and Mr Loizou.

Competitions

In 2010 a large number of our students entered the National Geography Competition, the ASX game and the UNSW Economics and Business Studies competition.

ASX

Students entered the much anticipated ASX (stock market game) earlier this term. Each student was given hypothetically \$50,000 for trading. The first game started in April; just as the bear market (stagnant or retreating share prices) was beginning to turn into a bull market (an upturn in the price of shares). However, the continued uncertainty of the GFC and the US economy, and the sovereign debt crisis of the PIIGS economies (Portugal, Italy, Ireland, Greece and Spain) have dampened enthusiasm for investors. Most students made small gains leading up to the first half of the year, but it was a real struggle. The second round of trading began in September and with a continued positive economic outlook it's going to be obvious that many boys will be making easy money. They must not be overconfident though as anything can be lurking around the corner. History tends to repeat itself.

National Geographic Chanel Geography, UNSW/PwC Economics and Business Studies Competition Prize winners

In Geography High was ranked 2nd in NSW and 2nd

Competitions

Competition results for 2010 as follows:

in Australia with both Jemy Ma and Aaron Wong (both Year 8) gaining a prize.

High was ranked 2nd in NSW in the **Economics** competition. Prize winners were: Z Guo, C Wong,

D McCrea-Steele, O Fio and L Aylmer (Year 12); D Li and B Cheng (Year 11).

In the **Business Studies** competition High was ranked 1st in NSW. Prize winners were: E Feng, D Huang, A Jurisevic, J Gao, S Sandhu, F Li, T Li, M Wang, A Liu, W Santucci and A Zhang (Year 12); R McDonald, M Connell, Y Wong, C Pan, S Danziger, K Liu, N Pinidiya, K Dhutta, N Tang, A Xu, G Panas and N Kok (Years 10 /11).

Other extra curricula activities

Social Science students participated in the usual array of other activities.

Year 7 conducted field study research at school exploring erosion issues around the newly contracted cola. Year 8 visited Bicentennial Park Wetlands as part of their study unit "Investigating Global Environments and Communities". Stage 5 geographers (Year 9) visited Pyrmont as part of their studies investigating "Sustainable Sydney" and "Urban Dynamics". Stage 5 geographers (Year 9 and 10) attended Long Reef as part of their study unit "Issues in Australian Environments". Stage 6 Geographers and EES students visited Jervis bay as part of their unit (Ecosystems). Year 11 Business Studies went to centre point tower as part of their study unit "Business Operations". This was followed by the mandatory sample of the buffet. Year 11 Legal Studies visited the District and Local Courts at the Downing Centre.

P Loizou

Competition	Participants	Prizes	HD	Dist	Credits	% with credit or higher
UNSW Geography	780	2	250	183	169	77.2
UNSW Business Studies	80	23	13	23	16	93.8
UNSW Economics	150	6	7	44	40	64.7

ASX Share Market Game (Semester 1)

Another year another dollar! Over 300 hundred students participated in the Game with Yr 10 students filling the top ten places in the SBHS rankings. It was pleasing to see Yr 7 students participating for the first time and holding their own in comparison to the senior students. Well done to everyone who participated in the Game. This Game has been challenging due to the market being impacted by what is happening in Greece, proposed government tax changes, and continued concerns about the Chinese economy. For this Game

- The All Ordinaries (XAO) was down 3.32%
- Only 9.86% of all players finished in profit with an average portfolio value of \$48,352
- Only 41 of the companies in the Game made a positive return in their share price

Thomas Zhang (7th in Aus and 5th in NSW)

Strategy: "The Game goes for a relatively short period of time so I concentrated on more volatile stocks such as mining and energy. I made most of my profits from Arrow Energy - AOE and Lihir Gold - LGL. Once I had made a considerable profit and was near the top of the rankings I felt that it would be best to liquidate my volatile stocks and to invest in more stable companies such as retail or food, Woolworths - WOW being the best example that I put my money into. This proved to be the winning factor as the market tumbled in the last 2 weeks due to the economic problems of Greece and yet my portfolio was still increasing..."

Abeer Khan, Adrian Chan (12th in Aus, 8th in NSW)

Strategy: We made our buying and selling decisions based on the stock highlights, newsletters, interviews and graphs offered on the ASX site. We found these particularly helpful in deciding what companies to pick. We were also cautious about what was happening in the world such as the cancelled Qantas flights (during the volcano eruptions) that lead to a fall in share prices.

ASX Sharemarket Game

Syndicate	Students	Yr	\$	7th in Aus 5th in NSW
1.One Raptor On the Knuckles	Thomas Zhang	10	57,116	12th in Aus 8th in NSW
2. One Quota = 25%	Abeer Khan Adrian Chan	10	56,486	
3. One Pichachu	David Wang Michael Zhu	10	54,723	
4. One United Can Never Be Defeated	Ahdil Ansareen	10	53,978	
5. One Small Step For Man	Andrew Moon Patrick Zhou	10	52,900	
Eco Beach	Dominic Nguyen	11	51,119	1st in Year
Micro Power	Ying Wu	9	51,254	1st in Year
8. Chocolate Loops	Aaron Hassan Darren Li	8	50,720	1st in Year
Seven Ways to Succeed	Kelvin Lau	7	50,880	1st in Year

Winning National Syndicate Total \$59,147 (Yr 12)

ASX Share Market Game (Semester 2)

Over 400 students participated in the ASX Semester 2 Game with fantastic success. Leading the way was Howe Chen of Yr 10 who finished first in NSW. He received the prestigious first prize medal at the glittering awards ceremony held in late November. Howe won \$800 for himself as well as \$2,000 for the school!

Howe's Eternity Star syndicate achieved a portfolio value of \$60.348. Here is how he did it.

Howe used a buy and sell strategy, buying 13 times and selling 12 times. He invested in the Materials, Financials, Energy, IT, Health Care and Consumer Discretionary sectors. The companies he invested in were: BHP, SLX, AMP, GNS, LONC, WTF, CGF, MQG, TEN, SHL, GNS & KAR.

Strategy: "At the beginning of the competition, I selected companies that I thought had the greatest potential for growth; this included mostly small companies (e.g. Gunns Limited, Infigen Energy). I thought that this would be the quickest way to increase the value of my portfolio. Also, I bought shares which had high dividends which was a major part of my success.

Checking constantly on the Dow Jones the night before, I anticipated the performance of the ASX, selling my shares when the Dow Jones went down. One major share which contributed to my success



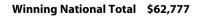
Yr 10 Commerce students researching the Market.

was 'ASX' which was associated with merger rumours with Singapore Securities (Exchange) causing the share price to go up 20% in one day. What happened on the last day was probably the most important. I sold most of my shares in the morning and the All Ordinaries went down by fifty points causing most other syndicates to drop while I remained the same. This was an important strategy which allowed me to finish ahead of my competitors in a very close Game."

Well done to everyone who participated in the Game. In this Game

- The All Ordinaries (XAO) was up 4.68%
- 72% of players finished in profit
- The average portfolio value was \$51,240

Syndicate	Student		\$
Eternity Star	Howe Chen	10	60,348
M2	Michael Chang	9	57,362
Amen Corner	Raymond Lee	10	57,352
No Chance	Anthony Soo	10	57,305
Seek and Find	Campbell Kwan	10	56.987
Eight Bells	Ryan Rawnak	8	56,019
Harlem Globe Trotter	Andrija Dumovic	11	55.418





Howe Chen Yr 10. Ist in NSW 2010. Share market Game Semester 2.

History

Year 9 Gallipoli Project – 2010

All year 9 historians were given the task of researching an Australian soldier who died at Gallipoli and place his experiences into the context of the Gallipoli Campaign, World War One, the Australian homefront and results after the war.

The following students successfully completed the 2010 Year 9 Gallipoli Project and met the following outcomes to the highest possible standards:

- · Understands the individual in history.
- Understands the impact of war on the Australian Homefront
- · Uses the methodology of historical enquiry
- Developed the skills of the historian

Congratulations to all:

Describe the conditions that ANZAC soldiers fought in during the Gallipoli Campaign in WWI.

Australian soldiers fought in horrific conditions in Gallipoli in 1915 and 1916 during the First World War. This made them heroes then and even more so now. The Gallipoli campaign was a joint British and French operation to gain a sea route to Russia. This passage was called the Dardanelles. The whole operation was 'a fiasco, poorly planned and badly executed' and therefore failed and resulted in heavy casualties from both sides. One of the men who were victims of the Gallipoli Campaign was Lance Corporal Edward Walsh.

Lance Corporal Edward Walsh joined the Australian Imperial Force Infantry Unit on 2nd October 1914. He was 22 years and 7 months old when he joined. Edward Walsh obviously volunteered to join the army as he was in the AIF, which consisted of only volunteers. His rank was Lance Corporal which was the second lowest rank, the lowest being Private. He was put into the 8th Brigade Army Service Corps, AIF. It was also sometimes called the 8th Coy A.A.S.C. That unit changed to the 301st Mechanical Transport Unit (M.T.) after some time. He also was part of one of the sub units 29th, 30th, 31st or 32nd Infantry Battalion. He died in the same month as his Infantry Battalion was formed, which was June 1915. He died on 24th June 1915, aged 23, from wounds received in action. His injuries were suffered from

fighting in the Dardanelles. On the 14th of June he was reported to be wounded and put into medical care. On the 23rd June he was said to have a severely wounded head, neck, mouth and chest. He was declared dead on the next day. His grave is located in the Ari Burnu Cemetery, in Gallipoli, and on his grave his epitaph is written: Gone But Not Forgotten, May His Soul Rest In Peace.

Lance Corporal Edward Wash would have experienced the conditions that all the soldiers fighting in Gallipoli would have experienced. These conditions were notorious. In summer the heat was unbearable, bad sanitation, multitudes of flies, corpses left in the open, supply and shelter problems, gales, flooding, frostbite and diseases all contributed to making the soldiers' lives hell in Gallipoli. Climate, disease and food and water were the main reasons for why the conditions at Gallipoli were so bad.

The first reason for why Gallipoli conditions were so bad was the climate. When the soldiers first landed at Gallipoli, which was during late spring, the climate was the most pleasant it would get in the year. The ANZACs didn't know how bad and extreme temperatures got, during the year, in the peninsula. During summer the temperature was extremely high, and staying that way throughout the night, did not allow the soldiers to rest. As Australia's conditions were similar to this it was more the freezing blizzards and frost that caused the most trouble within the ANZACs. They did not have sufficient clothing to see them through the winter as their clothing was more for the summer months, and had worn out during the summer. Many men froze to death while on duty at their posts. Also many men had to have fingers and toes amputated as a result of frost bite. Heavy rain also came and flooded the trenches, which drowned men and washed away possessions. One major flood was during late November 1915, when a huge storm hit and caused flooding all over the ANZAC's area. While the ANZACs were having much trouble with the weather, the Turkish were dealing much better as they were accustomed to climate pattern.

Another reason for why conditions were so bad for the ANZACs in Gallipoli was the lack of food and water. In Gallipoli clean water was not abundant. Also wells did not last long, and this resulted in water needing to be shipped in. That fresh water was not always available to the soldiers because sometimes the containers were shot or leaks formed. This meant that the soldiers were rationed to limited amounts of water. Food was not varied. The ANZACs only ate Bully Beef, hard biscuits, some tea and sugar and some jam. Bread, bacon and cheese were also sometimes available. Vegetables were very scarce. Food was slightly better for the Turkish as they had direct access to the farms which were located inland.

Disease was a major cause of horrific conditions which lead to deaths in Gallipoli for the ANZAC soldiers. Disease became widespread throughout the ANZAC soldiers because of many reasons. These were trenches filled with stagnant water, very limited sanitation, many flies, lice, mosquitoes and rats. Even worse were the dead bodies piled up and empty food tins scattered everywhere. Rats were very disturbing for the soldiers as they would eat dead soldiers' bodies, and they also ate the soldiers' supplies which was a serious problem as the supplies were already low anyway. Swarms of flies caused and spread many diseases because they spent so much time on dead soldiers and human faeces. The odours caused by dead soldiers were so unbearable on both sides several truces were called between the ANZACs and the Turkish to have them buried.

Terrain in Gallipoli was spectacular if one was visiting it on a holiday, but for the ANZACs it was one of the factors in making their lives hell during 1915 and 1916. The Gallipoli Peninsula has many steep valleys, deep ravines and high cliffs above long narrow beaches. This majorly helped the Turkish as they had the upper ground and could just slaughter the ANZACs from the tops of the cliffs with their machine guns. The ANZACs were very vulnerable from their positions, and the Turkish exploited this. This also made it very difficult for the ANZACs to attack the Turkish. Any offensives that were performed caused major loss of life for the ANZACs. Any rare victories were very costly.

All the ANZAC's ideas of what the war would have been like when they volunteered were quickly changed by the horrendous conditions, by how much they were outnumbered by the Turkish and by how much better suited the Turkish were than the ANZACs to the conditions. War is bad enough without one side having a major advantage, but the ANZAC's and their commander's mistakes just made

the Gallipoli Campaign that much worse than other battles. Each and every one of the ANZAC soldiers who fought in Gallipoli faced these ghastly conditions, including Lance Corporal Edward Walsh.

By Agnish Nayak

Gallipoli Project

Australia was becoming a nation by the mid nineteenth century, and was able to support the interests of the British Empire. Australia began providing men, materials, and money to meet regional threats against British colonies, global free trade, and to ward off the incessant intrusion of foreign countries wanting access to the 'unclaimed' natural resources of the globe.

The young men of the colony were eager to sign up, as most of them had been born in Australia, and they yearned to see the land of their parents. As children, they had heard stories of 'the old country'. Irish and Scots, who were mostly republican by inclination, and other nationalities, served and respected the power and tradition of the British Empire.

William Christian Beeken was one of these young men. I chose him, because we were both born in Glebe. He was born on the 1st of May 1889, 1 I haven't been able to find any records of William's childhood, other than the addresses listed in the Births Deaths and Marriages archive. These show that the family moved to Rozelle, and then to Rockdale2. The first reference to William and his younger brother, Frederick, is that he served in the Irish Rifles from 1904-08, Australian Army from 1908-103. William married Muriel Smith in 1911, and their daughter Miriam was born in 1912.

William was commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant in 1911, and then posted to Gundagai5. William embarked for France on the 20th of October 19146, but the ship was diverted to Egypt. I could not find any official record of William's time in Egypt; however his division arrived in December and began training at Mena, near Cairo, in the sight of the great pyramids7. William must have had a lot of fun there, but he would have also been aware, that he was training on very ancient battlefields - of the Pharaohs, the Hittites, the Romans, and others; Biblical stories he would have remembered from childhood - and, - soon it would be his turn.

On Anzac Day, 25 April 1915, the First Division made

an amphibious assault at what is now known as Anzac Cove, on the Gallipoli Peninsula. The division was unable to capture its objectives but secured a toehold on the peninsula. William was among the first to land at 'Kaba Tepe', his platoon went straight into action, and he records 6 casualties in his diary on the first day. William's platoon had managed to dig trenches to protect themselves from enemy fire on the second day, and 3 of his soldiers were wounded. On the third day the Turkish buglers signalled a charge against the Australian positions at 9pm, hoping to drive them into the sea. William writes that the Turks continued with these night attacks, until his company was relieved by the Royal Marines on the 29th of April, and sent back to the beach to rest8.

The 3rd Battalion, in which William was a junior officer, was kept at the front, under constant sniper attack, artillery fire, and infantry charges. His diary records, 'slight leg wound from shrapnel' on the 30th of April', he remains at the front until the 22nd of May. The burden of 3 weeks of continuous combat, contaminated water, and sleep deprivation is beginning to wear William down. Sunday, the 23rd of May was the first quiet day, and William makes a entry in a large script in his diary - 'No Casualties'; the next day he records the armistice arranged by the Turks, so that they could bury their dead. After the disastrous Turkish attempt to drive the Anzacs into the sea on May 19th, there were literally thousands of Turkish dead lying in No Man's land. In some places their bodies were piled a metre high10. William records that -'hostilities ceased at 8.10am, and recommenced at 4.30pm'.

William writes '2nd of June, A Coy Resting in Shrapnel Valley. Officer & 40 men for bathing parade from 9.30am to 11.30am, all return safe'11. William and his men had been fighting in the trenches for almost a month, without a bath. His diary entry for the 6th of June, - 'Colonel Owen ordered me to have a rest on a hospital ship'. He embarks the next day and meets some of his wounded men on board; and they land at the Greek Island of Lemnos. William returns to 'Anzac on the 27th - joined Battalion in the firing line, at 7.30am'. His diary records another month of continuous combat, with casualties every day. The last entry was recorded on the 3rd of August 1915, the official records show that William was wounded, and he died on the 6th of August 12.

William was first buried in a temporary grave, and later his body was exhumed in 1923, and reburied at

Lone Pine Cemetery, plot 2, row D, grave 1913. The National Archives of Australia retain the letters written by his wife, to the Army, requesting his possessions. She also requests Williams' medals; her anger and frustration with the army bureaucracy becomes more apparent with subsequent letters. Separate letters from both of his mother and father, requesting 'a photo of his temporary memorial, for 1/6-', and later '4 copies of a photo of his grave site' after he was reinterred. In December 1920, Williams father Joseph writes a letter to the Senator Eyre, requesting a 2 brochures of 'Where the Australians Rest', one for himself, and another for his granddaughter Miriam 'who was now an orphan, her mother died 3 years ago broken hearted'14 (the department had a strict policy of 1 brochure per family, and no commercial transactions were permitted).

Williams' brother Bernard was also sent to Gallipoli, he was wounded in the first month, and he recovered, his documents state that he was to be returned to Australia, he must have recovered, and was then posted to France,. Miriam was raised by her aunt, Ada Smith in Bexley. She married in 1936: I am unable to find her whereabouts. She made an application to donate her father's possessions to the AWM 1997. I have called about this, but they have not been processed yet. Noel and Harry Beeken, William's grand nephews, mention that their father Otto, (William's younger brother) would become angry, if anyone asked about William, and so they only had his diary as a memento15. I suspect that the diary was returned to Williams' mother, after his wife had died in 1917, because she had given it to him as a parting gift on his embarkation. This tattered little book, the pencil script now fading and smudged, as every page is read, and re-read, first by his wife, then his mother and father, and now by the 3rd and 4th generations. I look at the photo of a handsome young man, and, I hope that somewhere his spirit is now at rest.

By Ivor Metcalf

Question: What was the purpose of the Light Horse Brigade being sent to Gallipoli and why were they sent there without their horses?

The Light Horse Brigade played a vital role in the Gallipoli campaign, providing reinforcements and support for the infantry as well as defending trenches and providing extra manpower for military operations. They took part in some of the most

infamous battles of the entire campaign. The Light Horse Brigade was originally the mounted division of the Australian Imperial Force, but the terrain of Gallipoli was too rough for their horses, so they were deployed without them. There were three brigades in the Light Horse which participated in the Gallipoli campaign. The third brigade was massacred at the Nek, in a futile attempt to capture well defended Turkish trenches. The other two sustained heavy losses but evacuated with the rest of the ANZAC troops in December of 1915.

Private Thomas Allan Walker was part of the 5th Light Horse Regiment, which was made entirely from men who enlisted in Queensland, Private Walker, however, was born in the town of Traralgon, Victoria and probably moved to Queensland later or chose to enlist in Oueensland for some other reason. Before he enlisted in the army, he was a grazier, or a farmer who grazes cattle. He had a lot of experience with horses and this is why he enlisted in the Light Horse Brigade. He began service on the 24th September 1914 and ended on the 11th September 1915, when he died. He died in Gallipoli, but he himself did not participate in the battles of the Nek or Lone Pine. Like many of the other soldiers, he caught a disease called enteritis as a result of the conditions of the battlefield. A month later he died. As a result of his service, he won a British War Medal, a 1914-15 Star and a Victory Medal. He was just one of the many Australian soldiers who died at Gallipoli.

The Gallipoli campaign began on the 25th of April, with ANZACs landing at the now famous Anzac Cove. The Light Horse Brigade, however, was originally considered unsuitable for the Gallipoli campaign because they would be unable to use their horses. Eventually, however, they were sent as reinforcements to the infantry without their horses. One of the most notable battles they fought in was the massacre at the Nek. The 8th and 10th Light Horse Regiments were slaughtered in a futile attempt to gain well defended Turkish trenches. Another fairly famous battle was the battle of Lone Pine. Although the Light Horse Brigade was not the main military unit that was participating, the 13th Light Horse Regiment did provide reinforcements to the infantry and defended the captured trenches from Turkish counterattacks. Light Horse Regiments like the 5th which Private Thomas Walker was a part of had mainly defensive roles. They were responsible for defending Allied trenches and sometimes providing support for infantry.

As previously mentioned, the role of the Light Horse in Gallipoli was mainly defensive, with the purpose of their deployment being to support the infantry and provide them with reinforcements. They also aided in large military operations like the August Offensive, of which the battle of the Nek and Lone Pine were part of. They played an important role in defending the trenches, but without their horses their true purpose as a hybrid between cavalry and infantry could never be fully utilized at Gallipoli and they were essentially just reinforcements to the infantry. Their training meant that they could function as infantry as well and the extra manpower they provided was very useful during the August Offensive, which was a large military operation intended to finally break the stalemate between Allied forces and the Turks. It involved a series of attacks being carried out on high points in the Gallipoli peninsula. Meanwhile, several diversionary attacks were carried out on the front line. During this campaign, many Light Horse Regiments formed reinforcements and defended captured trenches. but were rarely ordered to capture enemy trenches or form part of the initial charge at the enemy trenches. This is demonstrated by the Battle of Lone Pine, in which the 13th Light Horse Regiment formed part of the reinforcements for the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Battalions, which were responsible for the initial charge on the Turkish trenches.

The Light Horse Brigade could not take their horses with them to Gallipoli because the peninsula was very mountainous and the horses would not be of much use there. The main reason for the formation of the Light Horse was so that Australia had a mounted infantry unit, but it was intended for use in the flat regions of Australia and Europe, not the ridges and mountains of Gallipoli. The advantage of having horses was so that soldiers could travel to places quickly, but this was useless in Gallipoli because the horses would be unable to navigate the mountainous terrain and there was not much travelling to be done because the enemy trenches were so close by, in some cases only 2 metres away. Also, the horses would need to be fed and looked after, and the trenches of Gallipoli would be very unsuitable for this task.

The purpose for the Light Horse Brigade being sent to Gallipoli was, as previously mentioned, to provide reinforcements and support to the infantry units. They were forced to leave their horses in Egypt because they would not be of any use at Gallipoli

and would end up being a burden because of the amount of care they required. Although the Light Horse could not fulfil their original role as a hybrid between cavalry and infantry, they were still a valuable asset in the Gallipoli campaign because of their ability to function as infantry. They played a defensive role throughout most of the campaign and only attacked during the August Offensive, and even then as support and reinforcements. They did, however participate in some of the most infamous battles of Gallipoli such as the battle of The Nek and Lone Pine. The main purpose for the Light Horse Brigade being sent to Gallipoli was, however, as reinforcements.

By Sikandar Hussaini

By fighting at the Battle of Lone Pine, what contribution did the 1st Brigade make to Australia and Britian's World War 1 campaign?

World War 1, as wars are, was not only a battle with firearms, but was also a battle of brains; tactics and strategies were vital for victory. The 1st Brigade, made of the 1st-4th Battalions, was the first Australian force to be formed, and fight in the war. They are remembered for their valiant efforts at the Battle of Lone Pine which has long been considered one of Australia's most famous assaults at Gallipoli. Private Edward Henry Upjohn, a soldier of the 2nd Battalion, fought and died for Australia at Lone Pine. He was one of 3000 Australians to die during the battle. However, it has to be questioned why those soldiers went sent to Lone Pine. We need to ask how exactly the 1st Brigade's assault on Lone Pine contributed to Australia's World War 1 campaign.

Private Edward Henry Upjohn, part of the 2nd Battalion AIF, fought at the Battle of Lone Pine, along with the rest of the 1st Brigade. His enlistment papers, along with other letters and forms have been kept in the National Archives of Australia (NAA). These are important sources of information providing insight into the life of Private Edward Henry. Before he joined the Australian Imperial Force (AIF), he was a farm driver. Like many young men during the time, war was believed to be a great experience, and also an opportunity to make some more money, which Private Edward Henry would have needed. At the young age of 25, he was placed into the 2nd Battalion in June of 1915. Two months later, in August, he would be sent to Lone Pine, where he would be a part of one of the most famous assaults at Gallipoli which took place from the 6th to

the 9th. Like many, Edward Henry Upjohn did not survive the Battle of Lone Pine, where he was sent to capture enemy trenches. A casualty form showed him to be reported missing on the 7th, and later confirmed dead. As thousands died during the assault, the exact date of death was unknown. A series of letters were then sent to his father to confirm his death, his place of burial, and the words to be engraved onto his headstone. The words on his headstone at Lone Pine Cemetery, written by his father, were: "On Gallipoli thou holdest, One of God's Noblest." In 1992, Private Edward Henry was honoured for his war efforts, with a victory medal.

The Battle of Lone Pine as an assault on Turkish trenches by the Australian 1st Brigade. Soldiers of the Brigade, like Private Edward Henry, may not have known the true purpose of this attack. They might have thought that the only objective of the attack was to take control of the enemy's trench at Lone Pine. In reality, the battle was merely a distraction for the Turks, from the more important assault which was to take place at the Sari Bair Ridges. There, Australian and British troops were attempting to take control of Chunuk Bair and Hill 971, and therefore, the Gallipoli peninsula. The Battle of Lone Pine began at 5.30pm of the 6th August, 1915. Soldiers, starting from the 1st Battalion rushed towards the Turkish trench. The 2nd - 4th Battalions followed closely behind. When the soldiers reached the trenches, instead of finding a gap to jump in to, they encountered logs, branches and dirt which covered the trenches. Soldiers eventually found their way in, and within 20 minutes, Australia took control of the trench. Being very important position for the Turks, reinforcements were immediately sent to reclaim the lost land. Until the 9th of August, Turkish soldiers were constantly sent to Lone Pine to fight back. Their unsuccessful counterattacks began to cease towards the end of the 9th of August. Although Australian soldiers of the 1st Brigade won the battle and took control of enemy trenches, the true success of the assault depended on the result at the Sari Bair Ridges. Unfortunately, Australia's tactics and strategies were not enough to stop the Turks from sending reinforcements to the Ridges.

The 1st Brigades brave efforts to capture the Turkish trench during the Battle of Lone Pine was intended to give a major advantage to the Australians, British, and other allies. The 1st Brigade managed to capture a Turkish trench. This led to a series of

counterattacks as the Turkish attempted to regain control of the trench. Already, the 1st Brigade's allies who were at the Sari Bair Ridge were getting a slight advantage, as enemy numbers were being decreased. In the end, the Battle of Lone Pine was only a partial success. Australian forces took control of enemy trenches within 30 minutes of launching their attack, and then had to defend the area for 4 days, from Turkish counterattacks. Although they seemed oblivious to the true purpose of the battle, which was to divert their attention to Lone Pine instead of the Sari Bair Ridge, they were still sending many reinforcements to the ridge. This meant the Australians and British were unable to take control of the Sari Bair Ridge. Therefore, the Battle of Lone Pine did not fulfil its purpose to completely distract the Turkish. Although almost nothing happened according to the plan, the 1st Brigades risk and contribution at a battle which was merely a diversion gave hope to the Australians and British. Their sacrifice and efforts were made in an attempt to give Australia an advantage in the war, and some even considered the Battle of Lone Pine to be a great success.

The Battle of Lone Pine, one of Australia's most famous assaults of their Gallipoli campaign, was led by the 1st Brigade, made of the 1st-4th Battalions. Although soldiers may not have known this, the Battle's true purpose was to serve as a distraction away from the main assault at Chunuk Bair and Hill 972. Although the distraction did not work according to plan, and the AIF were unable to take the peninsula, the 1st Brigades valiant efforts to capture and then defend an enemy trench contributed greatly to Australia's Gallipoli campaign, as every extra Turkish soldier they could attract to Lone Pine meant a greater advantage for their allies at the Suri Bair Ridge. By risking their lives and fighting at Lone Pine, a battle which acted merely as a diversion, the 1st Brigade were giving their allies a greater opportunity to take control of Gallipoli, and thus give Australia and the British a chance to get ahead in the war.

By Denny Dien

What was Horace Lenman Churchman Cady's experience of the war and the battles he fought in?

This project will attempt to capture a single mans journey and experiences during a war he never escaped, from his biographical details to his missions and death. By using historical references and knowledge of his battalion a story will leap from the pages of history, a story about Horace Lenman Churchman Cady's life during the Great War. By following in Cady's exact footsteps through the war a better picture can be created of what Cady's life would have been like and his experiences during the war. Cady's story in its entirety, enlistment, training, Gallipoli and death.

On the 7th of October, 1890 Horace Lenman Churchman Cady was born in the town of Walton. Suffolk, England. His father was also called Horace Cady and his mother is unknown. As Cady was born in England but signed up in Helena Vale in Western Australia it can be seen that Cady probably arrived in Australia sometime after 1908 as he turned eighteen that year and before he signed up on the 26th of August 1914 (for more background information see appendix a). Cady made the move to Australia alone, his next of kin papers register his father as living in "Dove Cottage, Upper Dovercourt, near Hawick, Essex, England" - (enlistment papers), meaning that he almost certainly came to Australia for opportunities as he began his working life. Cady never married nor had children so he did not leave a legacy behind him after he died. Cady was 5 feet 6 ½ inches tall (about 169 centimeters) and he weighed 133 lbs (60 ½ kilos). He had light brown hair, grey eyes, a fair complexion and a mole two inches (five centimeters) below his left nipple (for more information about his body see appendix b). Cady was a butcher by trade; however he never completed an apprenticeship so his level of skill is unknown.

At the time of the beginning of the war most people believed that it would be a short war and over by Christmas, making most people view the war as an adventure. There was also a strong drive for recruitment with many propaganda posters made to try to get the young men to enlist (see right). The fact remains that Cady enlisted at Helena Vale, Western Australia on the 26th of August 1914 (see appendix c). Cady went on to train for two weeks in Perth before being shipped to Egypt and four months of intensive training followed there. On the 25th of April 1915 the 11th battalion landed at Gallipoli, forming the left wing of the first wave. They dug in on the first and second ridges, eventually forming a defensive line. Cady had come a long way from Perth.

The most important battle of Cady's life was the battle known as 'Lone Pine' as it was the most important battle the Australian's partook in. Lone Pine was actually just a diversion so that the British Battalions entrenched in other parts of the head could advance with greater ease. In fact, General H.N Walker, the general in charge of the 1st Division at Gallipoli, was against the attack and only agreed when General Sir Ian Hamilton insisted that they attack proceed. However Walker wanted to conserve his troop's lives so he ordered the excavating of tunnels to reduce the distance (91m) between the two trenches so carnage could be avoided in the rush to the Turkish trenches. At 5:30 pm the Australians attacked, half through the tunnels and the other half over the trenches. The Australians were surprised to find the Turkish trenches covered with pine logs not allowing for easy access and giving the Turkish point blank range before the trenches became over-crowded. The soldiers fired, bombed and bayoneted from above, some found their way inside and others ran on past to the open communications and support trenches behind to get into the trench network. In the trenches the fighting was so cramped that guns weren't used because they couldn't be fired properly, rather bayonets and grenades were used, making the fighting more brutal and vicious. This was the last major offensive and the most successful operation until the retreat from Gallipoli on the 9th January 1916.

However we need to consider the impact this would have had on Cady. Cady was part of all the events previously mentioned, but what we want to find out is the soldier's point of view. At Egypt the training would have taken time but time was also given to free time, friendships would have been formed and this was probably one of Cady's better experiences and a happier part of his war life, but the troops were tired of waiting to fight, "I am sick and tired of wasting leather on the gritty paving stones of Cairo. Egypt

is all right for a week, but soon everything becomes a drag, so now I am going to a place where monotony is unknown, and a year seems like one crowded hour of glorious life. I am on the eve of entering the firing line and rejoicing." Captain W. Gamble, 15 Light Trench Mortar. The landing at Gallipoli would have been a release of tension and a memorable moment for Cady, rushing onto enemy territory with guns blazing away and seeing the enemy for the first time. However, this event also represents the beginning of Cady's next stage in the

war, the actual war part of his time. After the first landing the conditions that Cady would have gone through would have been horrible, "There were big rats, nearly as big as poodle dogs, running around everywhere, squeaking and fighting over the corpses. Both sides were getting riddled with disease from the stench of the dead." - Recollections of James Donaldson, quoted in T. Matthews, Crosses: Australian Soldiers in the First War, Boolarong Press, Brisbane, 1987 (for full quote see appendix f). This shows how horrible the conditions were for the soldiers in the trenches, conditions that Cady would have lived in during his time at Gallipoli. The last experience he went through would have been the battle of Lone Pine. After seeing the historical records of the battle it is possible to try and experience the things that the soldiers went through. Close quarter fighting, the explosions of grenades, battling fatigue to keep defending your position and clambering over dead bodies to penetrate deeper into the trench network. You can imagine waiting to jump down into the enemy trenches knowing that you face almost certain death yet doing it anyway because of your duty. Cady survived this and lived until the evacuation, however his date of death is after the evacuation yet his place of death is the Dardanelles (see appendix h). He was buried in the Lone Pine cemetery plot, row G, grave 16 (see appendix i). This means that maybe he was transferred to the English force that remained at Turkey after the ANZACs left or that there is a discrepancy in the AIF records. Either way, it shows that Cady was active during the whole campaign and went through all the horrible things that happened there. He left a brown parcel containing all his items (see appendix k) to his next of kin, his father.

The Gallipoli campaign was a disaster and resulted in a waste of human life. Cady was one of the casualties of this disaster, he went from being a butcher to a soldier before he finally died at Gallipoli. As historians we can only wonder about the things these brave men experienced and what their lives became due to the war.

By Jonthan Clements-Lendrum

Sport



Representatives

Back Row: M.Li (Volleyball CHS), D.Jones (Basketball GPS and CHS), A.Dumovic (Basketball GPS, CIS, NSW, Australian),

C.Morrow (Volleyball CHS), J.Sutton (Basketball GPS).

Second Row: Y.Wu (Shooting GPS), B.Kelly (Cricket GPS), A.Paul (Football GPS, Debating CHS, NSW, Australian), E.Naar (Basketball GPS, CHS), B.Wilcox (Swimming CHS), A.Abdollahi (Tennis GPS, CHS), B.Leo (Shooting GPS), S.Pak (Shooting GPS).

Front Row: P.Tran (Shooting GPS), S.Lane (Football GPS, Cross Country CHS), R.Wu (Shooting GPS), S.Yoon (Basketball GPS and CHS), P.Rynsaardt (Tennis GPS), A.Vithanage (Cricket GPS), T.Connolly (Skiing CHS).

Summer Sports Assembly

Good morning and welcome to our summer sports assembly for sports whose competition commences in term 1. Tennis, water polo, swimming and sailing. To our special guest, John Curzon, coaches, parents and staff – thank you for your attendance. We have so many people to recognise in sports teams that we have dedicated this assembly for the first time solely to summer sports celebrations.

Summer sport at High is benefitting from some revitalised management. Mr David Deep, principal of Indeep International, has taken over the role of MIC tennis as well as coach of first grade. He has brought a new level of enthusiasm and professionalism to the sport. His recruitment has also helped to lift the overall standard of the squad. High won GPS Premierships in tennis in 1997, 2001 and 2003 but we have had several lean years since with uncompetitive teams. There is now a more optimistic atmosphere and boys are training hard to be competitive this year.

Sailing has moved to Double Bay Sailing Club since last year and through Sydney High School Sailing Association Inc. has access to not only the club facilities but also to the very strong Laser racing program conducted by the club. Some Old Boys have joined the Association and are using the school boats for Sunday and off season sailing. Recent graduates of our sailing program, Tom Petty and Phillip Kurts have gone on to compete in the iconic Sydney to Hobart yacht race. Sailing is a sport that you can compete in throughout your life. I have been disappointed by the small number of boys attracted to the sailing program in the last two years. Our coach, Old Boy Adam South, along with Ms Collignon and Mr Moody, run an excellent program. The Sailing Committee, headed up by Richard James, is very effective. I encourage boys, particularly in Years 7 and 8 to consider joining sailing for sport.

Water polo was revived a few years ago by Mr Ayre and is being run capably by Ms Evans with

assistance from Sydney University Sports. We have a good coach in Lachlan Hollis. Old Boy James Menzies has helped out very competently. We need more players in this sport too, to maintain its viability.

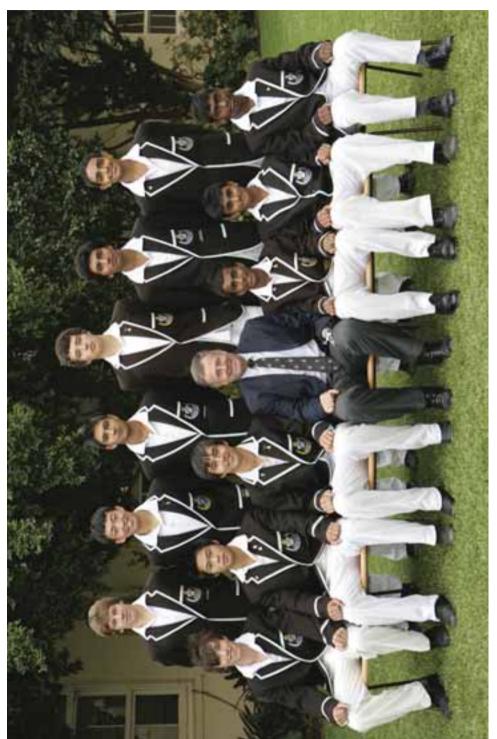
Thank you to Mr Loizou for his organisation and promotion of High swimming in 2009. I trust that everyone will support the school swimming carnival on Monday. Our swimming program needs all the best senior swimmers we have to make the effort to compete for the school on Friday nights. We have half a dozen highly talented junior swimmers who will win in a variety of events but we need more commitment from seniors.

Commitment is a persistent theme in sports psychology. James Bennett, in 'Profile of a Winner', suggests five mental tasks towards better performance. Detached sensory observation involves an honest identification of current strengths and weaknesses: present skill level required; reviewing past performance; and looking to the future to develop new techniques. Situation evaluation involves asking yourself: How is my current performance compared to my goals? Errors need correction, not self-recrimination. Conscious **goal setting** generates a desire to achieve the goals and builds motivation. Objective planning is required during the process of achieving goals. The final step is to implement the plan through imaging and directed effort. Imagine your performance targets successfully achieved. Discipline yourself to make a realistic timetable to implement your plans. Success in sports comes from your mind being powerful enough to get your body to systematically develop its skills. All of you could improve your sports performances by applying these five steps to your sport. Plans can be a simple and short term or complex and long term. Nevertheless.

Congratulations to all boys who have been selected in GPS teams to represent their school.

Dr K.A Jaggar

Cricket



First Eleven

Front Row: O.Meroni, M.Phung, B.Kelly (Captain), Dr K.A.Jaggar (Principal), A.Vithanage (Vice Captain), S.Dias, S.Sooriakumar. Back Row: S.Lane, A.Liu, S.Haque, K.Taylor, N.Bhagwat, A.Ramesh.

Cricket Master's Report

The 2009 – 2010 season commenced with a great deal of optimism following High's equal Third in the 2008-2009 Season's AAGPS competition and High with a combination of seasoned players to share the responsibility with a promising mix of youthful contenders.

Together with the senior 1st XI Coach Barry Davison, and 2nd XI, Coach Anirudh Rao, I felt that we would be very competitive in the majority of matches, providing the potential we had included, could meet the expectations of playing in the tougher competition.

However, even with the best of planning the preseason programme was totally disrupted due to the restricted attitude to pre-season ground hire and totally unusual weather patterns. The Opens Camp in particular was severely compromised due to weather, inadequate indoor facilities and ground closures throughout Sydney had to be abandoned on the second day.

The full potential of the teams however did not translate throughout the season due to these many influences, whilst not to excuse our performances, contributed at crucial times, that changed the outcome of matches. The injuries in each team, unavailability of players, inopportune Day-Two washouts and inconsistent performances that cost each team the opportunity of a realistic expectation of three to four wins against their respective oppositions.

As a testament to the players attitude and prominent at the Cricket Dinner, was the 1st and 2nd XI Captains, supported by many award winners, who acknowledged that players were aware of the need for consistency to enable them to achieve the next level in the 2010-2011 season.

Prior to the commencement of the 2009-2010 season a restructure was planned in conjunction with coaches and feedback obtained during the previous season and during the course of the season was introduced as grounds, events and staff became available.

The restructure in the first instance included the active recruiting of sufficient coaches to specifically cater for an individual team on sport days and GPS Saturdays. In specifying the use of team coaches it catered for regular team training and practices and compensated for the limited ground facilities

available both at sport and post school

A further management initiative was the appointment Varan Perananthan as an Assistant Coordinator at Wednesday and Thursday sport days, coordination of sign-on/sign-off, Attendance Rolls and act as a support element for the coaches and their programmes.

In conjunction with the Assistant Coordinator a further enhancement was the introduction of Age Coordinators who dealt with the specific teams within a particular year group. The appointments were Kevin Lam (Year 7), David Smith, (Year 8), Rommo Pandit (Year 9) and Kogulan Sriranjan the Year 10 and 11 teams. As a result of the innovation it was agreed that this role should be a permanent consideration.

With authorisation from Cricket NSW we were able to conduct an In- House Level I Coaching Course and Varan Perananthan, Kogulan Sriranjan, Neeraj Bangalore, Neeraj Vyas, Timothy Li, Matthew Coutts, Hugo Richards, Rommo Pandit, Kevin Lam, Michael Coutts (all High ex students) and Bikram Thapa passed their Level 1 Coaching Accreditation. Congratulations to all concerned. My thanks to Richard Ayre who conducted day 1 and to Anirudh Rao who assisted me on Day 2.

In conjunction with the initiatives introduced we also experienced some highlights during the season as follows

- Some 239 boys registered with cricket which catered for 20 teams
- Due to constraints within other AAGPS Schools, we could only enter 16 teams in 1st XI, 2nd XI, 3rd XI, 4th, 5th and 6th XI's: 16A, B and C: 15A, B and C: 14A, B and C, 13A, B and C and additional rotation groups covering team vacancies, due to the limitation on the number of teams that could be nominated.
- Term 1 2010 (Year 7) saw 49 boys sign on for cricket and the formation of 3 teams with 16 club cricketers finishing club commitments and to be available for selection in School teams in Term 4, 2010
- Congratulations to Brian Kelly and Avindu Vithanage, Captain and Vice- captain respectively of our 1st XI who were selected in the Combined GPS XI and participated successfully at the Lord Tavernier's Carnival.
- Members of the 1st XI participated in a Combined XI which competed in the A.W. Davidson Shield.

- The continuation of the Southport School (Qld) Challenge at Coogee Oval in a close encounter going to the visitors.
- Melbourne High School retained the Year 9 Barberis
 Cup in Melbourne in winning both matches and
 retaining the trophy for one further season.
- Brisbane State High U.15 and U.14 teams with High dominating the U.14s and one game each in the U.15
- Brisbane Grammar visited for an inaugural challenge and the issue of visitation rights for both schools on a bi-annual rotation basis.
- Team coaching at Sport on Wednesdays and Thursdays contributed to improved team performances on competition Saturdays
- The Group 2 teams grew in stature with wins across a variety of age divisions
- The 3rd.XI was the best performed Group 1 team played 7 matches 2 wins 1 washout 3 losses
- 5th XI recorded regular wins in both the 30/30 and T20 fixtures
- · 4th XI also recorded wins with Oliver Fio topping

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- the batting averages for the team and become a popular cricket section hero
- The promulgation of the conditions for the inaugural "Chris Kourtesis Medal" a 1st and 2nd XI Award to be introduced in the 2010-2011 season that will be all encompassing not only for the on-field feats of players, but all facets of their roles responsibilities within those teams.

The Cricket Dinner held on Wednesday 31st March 2010 attended by 160 players, parents and guests was testament to what can be achieved within the cricket community at High. On an enjoyable end of season function of awards, reports, raffles and great humour provided by both senior and junior players alike, one could not help but enjoy the evening. Year 12 students from our two senior XI's were presented with mementos of their time with the cricket section. Not forgetting Mrs Barbara Taylor our long term Dinner Supervisor retiring from the role was acknowledged and presented with a bouquet of flowers by the 1st XI Captain, Brian Kelly

Mention is also made of the contribution of masters in particular on sport afternoons where Chris Kourtesis, Michael Aldous, Matthew Hoggard, David



Second Eleven

Back Row: S.Kumar, K.Dutta, O.Pierce, K.Sivayogarayan, K.Gunaratne. **Front Row:** T.Connolly, S.Subramanian, D.Pious (Captain), J.Moffat, D.Smith.

Smith and Andrew Fuller contributed to coaching and net practices. A special mention for Mr Brian Leaming, a master who acted as our net captain on those days and was a regular source of advice as to when and where each player would do their net session.

My appreciation to the Team Coaches who contributed a tremendous amount of time during the season and particularly on Saturdays with several taking on dual duties with other than their regular teams.

To the team captains who provided reports on matches my thanks for taking on the role and your efforts.

To the parents of the 1st and 2ndXl's who supported their son's teams with lunch and afternoon tea duties, a big thank you for your excellent "standard setting" catering at the Fairland pavilion.)

To the Mums and Dads who supported our younger teams with scoring and sideline assistance, we thank you and look forward to seeing a lot more parents join you for the 2010 – 2011 season.

My thanks and appreciation to Richard Ayre the former HT of Sport now retired for his support, team management, umpiring, specialty coaching sessions

and advice he provided during his tenure. We wish him well in retirement.

Finally to Mark Pavone Head Teacher of Sport, for his enthusiasm, assistance and advice with the introduction of the restructure plans for cricket and his weekend support which is appreciated by all players, officials and parents.

Laurie Heil, MIC Cricket

First XI

The season began with a sense of optimism on the back of what had been a relatively successful 2008 - 2009 when we ran third in the GPS comp. This optimism was tempered, however, by the knowledge that we had lost some strike power in our bowling attack. The lack of penetration in out bowling attack was to cost us dearly. The results were three outright losses, three first innings losses and a draw. Only in the drawn game in round four did we have a realistic chance of a victory only to be beaten by the weather.

Nevertheless, the team represented the school with dignity and continued to display good sportsmanship



Third Eleven

Back Row: H.Subasinghe, V.Patel, A.Sarker, S.Dissanayake, H.Sit, Mr A.Fuller (Coach). **Front Row:** R.Siddiquee, N.Prabaharan, I.Khan, I.Bari, R.Azwad in adversity. Maintaining the team spirit was in no small part due to the efforts of coach, Barry Davison. The supporting roles of Master-in-Charge Cricket, Mr Laurie Heil and Sports Master, Mr Mark Pavone were also invaluable.

Awards were as follows:

Batting Brian Kelly;
Bowling Avindu Vithanage;
Team Award Kieran Taylor

Both Brian Kelly and Avindu Vithanage were able to bring honour to Sydney High by being selected in the combined GPS team to contest the NSW schools' championships at Lords Taverners Week. A rare distinction for the school.

Other notable performances were Michael Phung's 54 not out against Riverview, Andy Liu's sparkling 44 at Joey's, Siva's two wickets in two balls against Grammar, as well as Kieran Taylor's innumerable bye-less keeping performances.

To all the parents, thank you for preparing the lunches and teas for us every Saturday at McKay, and for your continual support throughout the season. The games really could not go on without you, and s thanks also to all parents who get out to support their sons on Saturdays.

As outlined by Mr Pavone at the cricket dinner, there are developments in the offing which will improve the skill levels and experience of High cricketers. That together with the fine performances and enthusiasm of the junior teams in the past season give grounds for optimism for the future of the sport at Sydney High School.

Third XI Cricket Report

This season engendered a strong foundation for future success in players who were 'on the cusp' of playing grade cricket. Our first game was against Kings and as always, Kings means a tough match till the end. We compiled a respectable score of 175 on the back of some starts alongside R. Siddique's classy 46. However, we were undone by some luck going in Kings' favour and a demoralising innings of 95 from one of their openers. Our next game was at Northbridge with five players absent but Shore displayed a spirit for the game which I haven't seen in my seasons of cricket at High, lending several of their players for the duration of their innings. This match was something I would like to forget, where we capitulated and lost outright.

Keen to bounce back and perform after our harsh loss against Shore, we approached the game with an intent to defeat Grammar which furthered our efforts on the field. We bowled Grammar out for 215 thanks to a scintillating spell of spin from both ends, A. Sarker and V. Patel wreaked havoc sharing six wickets between themselves. Captain I. Khan led a spirited outfit and regained control of the match through great tactics of bowling searing pace in tandem with spin.

Our first match for 2010 was against Joeys and we looked in great touch with our bowling attack. We had Joeys at 6-108 but failed to capitalise when we dropped the same batsmen twice, first when he hadn't reached double figures. We helped him on his way to 73. We failed to chase down their 257 and we felt cheated of a win due to our own lack of concentration in the field. Across the river at Ignatius we scored a measly 129 as we struggled to score on an uneven deck. Caspar Price performed inspirationally and stepped up to the plate with bat and ball, top scoring with 21 and taking 4-30. On the back of his performance, we should have won the match but our performance was marred by eight dropped catches. Our last game of the 2009-2010 season was against Shore and we scored 175. We felt that we about 50-100 runs short of what we needed to win but a magical bowling performance meant we wrestled ourselves back into the match. We bowled out Shore for 166 in a nail biting end where at the conclusion, all the emotions of going so close but not succeeding bubbled over as we ended the season amid cheers of celebration. Although we only won half as many matches as we should have, our success was reflective of our pride in playing for Sydney High.

I would like to thank Mr. Fuller for his ongoing support and advice as our coach. Hashan Subasinghe must be commended for winning the batting award and Raiyan Khan was voted Team Player for his talented and fearless flair as an opener; which he displayed in timely bursts throughout the season. Also, Prashan Prabaharan deserves mention due to his enthusiasm and commitment as wicketkeeper and daringly putting his body on the line again and again. Thanks must go to MIC Laurie Heil and all the parents who turned out in support for our team. It has been a privilege to be captain of such a successful and talented team and play under the baggy brown for all these years.

Iftiar Khan

Fourth XI Cricket Report

The Fourth XI began the 09/10 season with familiarity and ease, having kept almost all of the same players as the season before. Of course the team was without Ben Encel, who had moved onwards and upwards in his pursuit of chess glory. We also lost Arun Surendran to the Fifth XI but gained the indie credibility we desperately desired with the addition of hipster David Ma.

Our first match was against High's other social cricket team, the Fifths, ending with a score of 9/126 to 8/125. The game was close, but we chased down the total with three overs to spare due to the excellent bowling efforts of Liam Aylmer, Robert Ma and Angud Chawla and their combined seven wickets. We had a lot of fun and it was a good start to the season for both teams. Although we never played against them again, this was the first of several matches where Fourths would play at the same time and place as High Fifths. One of these times was at Queens Park, against St Ignatius, where the boundaries for our fields overlapped, and both High teams were fielding. This proved to be the bane of the other opponents as our deep square leg, Julian Ubaldi, watching their match instead of his

own, observed a massive shot coming his way from the other pitch. Instead of leaving the ball like a normal human being, he took the difficult catch and ran off our field to celebrate the 'wicket' with Fifths.

This game was also memorable because it showed how much we had improved from our previous season. We managed to bowl St Ignatius all out for 132, with three handy wickets and a run out from David, a wicket and a run out from Tony Wang and excellent wickets from Angud and Robert. Our team was bowled for 119 in the nail biting run chase, highlighted by Oliver Fio's furious batting sequence of a six, four, six and six. The Iggies team would conclude their season undefeated.

The next match at Queens Park was against Grammar, the only team we managed to beat in the last season, but we weren't certain of our odds winning after their innings. We had bowled them all out by the seventeenth over, with Tony Wang and Robert taking three wickets each, and Liam taking two wickets. This was impressive, but the hard-hitting Grammar team had posted 149 runs in that short time. This total was enough for a few Grammar players to blatantly tell us that we had no chance. But a few telephoned Nietzsche quotes from second grade tennis captain/philanthropist Mohit Tugnait



Fourth Eleven

Back Row: O.Fio, C.Wong, A.Ghose, D.Ma, L.Aylmer, T.Wang. **Front Row:** M.Phillis, A.Chawla, R.Kamal, R.Ma, J.Ubaldi. spurred us on and we ripped them to shreds, limb from limb. After this we went in to bat and won. There were five wickets to spare, due to well paced innings of Anirban Ghose with 19 runs, and the blazing innings of Angud (40 not out) and Julian (17).

The Grammar game was played alongside a bunch of young GPS old boys who rocked up to the 15B's pitch with slabs of beer, putting bins up at either end. One of the half drunk men took a shine to Tony, giving valuable lessons in life and one on one football training, for free. After forcing Tony around the park and booting a soccer ball at him a few times, the man and his mates proceeded to wolf-whistle at a group of girls making their way to their formal. Tony proved to be a popular target for strange men, with another bewildered man attempting to force him to sing and dance at a Kingsgrove pizza shop.

Our third win came against the Shore School in a game that was truly a team effort and the tightest game we have ever played. We bowled first, taking all wickets by the nineteenth over, leaving Shore 10/131, with best bowling coming from Angud with four wickets, followed by Julian with two wickets.

Our batting was consistent and well paced, and we won with only two balls left, with Max Phillis scoring the winning runs. The best batting came from David with 30 runs and Rafat with 17 runs.

The second Scots game was one of the most entertaining, and it was Julian's swashbuckling innings of 45 that made it so. Our final match, against Grammar, was the perfect end to six years of cricket. We did not win, but we scored our highest total, 201, and the game one of the best we had played. The game came down to the last over, and the atmosphere was made more intense by the blistering heat, and we finished our 32 overs just six runs short. It was undeniably a great team effort and a magnificent day.

This is our last season of cricket, which is a little upsetting as this team has meant a lot to us. We've seen things that you people wouldn't believe. We've seen C-Wong glittering in the park. We've seen Julian on fire off the shoulder of Vaucluse. All these memories won't be lost... like tears in the rain. It's too bad we won't stay in the cricket program, but then again, who does?

Rafat Kamal, Captain



Fifth Eleven

Back Row: J.Wormell, M.Ambrose, J.Tassell, L.Gordon, T.Xu, A.George. **Front Row:** P.Baweja, S.Danziger, A.Koerber, M.Carr (Captain), L.Perris, N.Adel, A.Surendran.

Fifth Grade Cricket

After a small turnout of three core members in season 2008/09, the fifth XI faced a tough challenge to get a team on the field every week. Our situation was helped by a number of recruits, namely the big hitting Alex Koerber (VC), the fastest man in the GPS- Josh Tassell and cricket import Lachlan Perris (DVC). The first half of the season showed signs of promise, unlucky to lose to the established 4th XI side in our first game. Extensive work in the nets saw us emerging as a strong bowling and batting side. Highlights of the early season included:

Sydney Boys High 5th XI vs Saint Ignatius College 5th XI After losing the toss, the Ignatius bowlers took advantage of the new ball. Openers Shimon "Monzie" Danziger and Arun "Runskies" Surendran were not fazed by their blistering pace, with Shimon cruising to 30 off 17 balls before retiring. Josh Tassell then took control of the crease, retiring after an emphatic and measured 30, the team reaching 8/131. A combination of tight fielding and precise bowling left the Ignatius side barely hanging on at 6/71. Victory was ours it seemed, but a rock solid middle four batsmen drew

the visiting side ever closer to our tally. With star bowler Shimon out of overs, Tassel stepped up to the plate with 3 overs remaining, Ignatius requiring only six to win at 9/126. Tassell started the over with two uncharacteristic no balls. Their most on form batsman facing, Tassell was able to bounce back, bowling a screamer that batsman could only get an edge on, wicket keeper Alex Koerber watching it into his gloves.

Following on from this, the 5th XI took on the Over confident and over serious Newington 6th XI. Despite winning the toss and setting a strong score, High couldn't quite make the transition from batting to the field. A standout batting performance by George Denny-Smith saw him make 54, our season's best. Lack of fielders made this one a disappointing result. After a long summer break, the 5th XI returned in style, defeating old rivals Newington 6th XI comprehensively, including a first ball wicket from Josh Tassell, Strong batting performances against the **Scots 5th XI** saw the team make 132 including a 74* run partnership between Alex Koerber (49*) and myself (29*), the score was sadly not enough, losing within 16 overs. The season finished on a positive however, the team again



Sixth Eleven

Back Row: M.Rahman, T.Shahjriyar, A.Gong, V.Singh, A.Gaffney, V.Sethi, M.So, V.Wang. **Front Row:** F.Lin, T.Theivendran, R.Li, Y.Chowdhury (Captain), D.Ho, J.Chen, J.Zhou.

making 132 against the **Newington 5th XI**, the highlight of which; John Wormell's top score of 1* – an audacious scoop shot along with 12 sundries. Strong bowling from Shimon Danziger and Oliver Pierce with 3 a piece saw us win our last game of the season by 13 runs, John's contribution. Thanks go to MIC Laurie Heil for his efforts in keeping the 5th XI afloat.

All those who contributed in one way or another to the mighty 5th XI: Michael Carr (C), Alex Koerber (VC), Lachlan Perris (DVC), John Wormell, Arun Surendran, Josh Tassell, Puneet Baweja, George Denny-Smith, Shimon Danziger, Leo Gordon, Leon Li, Oliver Pierce, Tristan Xu, Nema Adel, Chris Morrow, Casper Price, James Whiting, Michael Ambrose, Stephen Yoon.

Sixth Grade Cricket

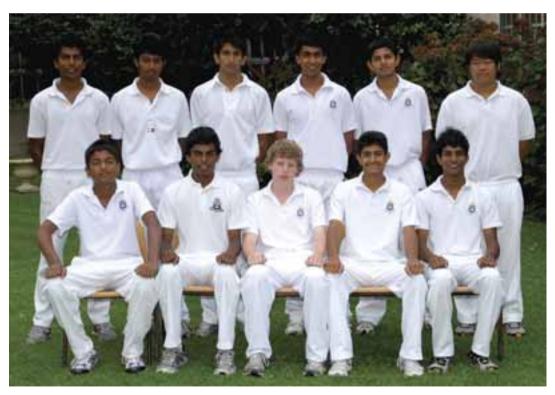
Sydney High Sixth Grade was a new team that was formed at the beginning of the 09/10 season to accommodate several new players who had transferred to cricket.

Sixth Grade has had an eventful season and many new players have been given the opportunity to embrace this great game in all its glory. Despite the movement of a number of players in and out of the team my thanks goes to them for the positive contribution they made to High cricket. Special mention must go to our coach Thomas Riddle (Friend of Sixth Grade) for offering us priceless support and advice throughout the season.

Yasar Chowdhury

16A Cricket

As a result of the loss of five key players to 1st and 2nd grade, the 16A's season was always going to be hard. However, with the quality that was still left in the team the season ultimately proved very competitive. After a disappointing trial match against Newington, there was a decision by the MIC to put the entire team in the B competition. This was a successful strategy, as High won four from five matches, with Daniel Smith starring 112 runs in 4 innings.



16A Cricket

Back Row: L.Katupitiya, S.Hoque, D.Guptaa, M.Dhingra, A.Ansareen, C.Oei. **Front Row:** S.Sivayogarayan, L.Katupitiya, A.Hughes (Captain), A.Saxena, P.Pannila Highlights of the Season included: Aman Saksena taking a hat trick against St Joseph's in the B comp, Sachin Dhingra taking 5 wickets in one innings against Scots and Kumidika Gunaratane taking 5 wickets in one innings against Riverview.

All in all, it was a building season for the 16As in preparation for senior cricket next season.

Al Hughes

16 C Cricket

The 16c's started the season off with a couple of wins and with a number of players who achieved top career scores.

The team has had many strong wins due to the after school training. Even the losses suffered have enabled us to develop our skills. Many thanks must go to all the team and also the coaching staff. We are looking forward to another exciting season next year.

Allen Fu

15A Cricket

The season for 15A's was one of mixed feelings. We all know we can develop more as cricketers. Throughout the season many of our top players performed poorly, and as a result, our team lost many of our games. However, as summer slowly dimmed the 15A's suddenly switched on, and as a result, our team finally revealed its full potential, which saw us win our last match of the season against Scots. This was the highlight of our season. High batted first and put 115 on the board, with our main batting coming from Safat Sufian (29), and Agnish Nayak (19). High was disappointed with our first innings score, but after an inspiring pep talk from our coach, Rommo Pandit, we set out to the field feeling confident and pumped. After only a few over's, we managed to get 3 wickets, and at the end of the day, Scots were on the back foot at 6/37. The following week, Anirudh Ramesh showed his true abilities, and demolished Scots with 5/16 (11). We got Scots all out for 68 in that match, and were extremely

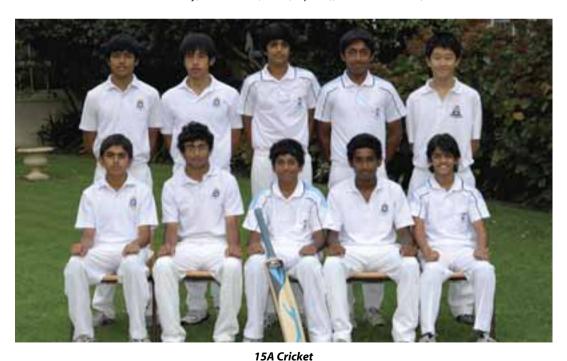


16B Cricket

Back Row: J.Yao, A.Fu, R.Gu, G.Samarasinghe, S.Razeen. **Front Row:** J.Chen, L.Ming, A.Huynh (Captain), L.Li, K.Qian.



16C Cricket Back Row: S.Quazi, A.Booth, Y.Chowdhury, E.Hoque, J.Adhika, M.Pham. **Front Row:** S.Prusty, M.Paradeza, A.Fu (Captain), Z.Mohamed Rizvi, A.Dutta.



Back Row: T.Joshi, K.Pham, A.Ramesh, K.Dhamoon, M.Liu.
Front Row: A.Kaluve, V.Bhakri, T.Subasinghe (Captain), S.Sufian, K.Vyas.

happy with our efforts. Our best achievements this season with the bat have been from Safat Sufian, who at one stage scored 42, and then 63 not out in the next match. As for our bowling, my congratulations go to Anirudh Ramesh, who obtained 17 wickets throughout the season. As captain of 15A's, I have seen my team grow in knowledge and skill and with a pleasing finish to the season.

Thilan Subasinghe

15B Cricket

The boys have shown determination and passion for the sport the whole season, despite winning only one game. The good news is that everyone started to show their full potential towards the end of the season when the improvement in bowling, batting and fielding skills was clearly evident. We had games where we suffered a terrible defeat, especially against Kings, but on the other hand we had reasonable matches against Saint Patrick's and Grammar, where our mistakes became rewards for the opponents. The best match of the season was played against Shore, where our tight fielding and

bowling paid off, and we got Shore all out for 48. With even greater batting, especially from Arjun Punekar who scored 20, we managed to get 85 (declared) and subsequently win the match. It was in this game where the team showed a true spirit of team work and as a result we won. Undisputedly. our best bowlers for the season were Victor Ho and Chris Mao, who in every match managed to grab at least a wicket each. Our best batters were Subhash Viswanadham and Chris Mao, who scored valuable runs for the team, but towards the end of the season, Simon Luong and Jacky Zhu started to show their hidden talents in batting. Our best fielders were Darryl Chan and Ken Huang, who constantly displayed their excellent fielding skills every game. Most importantly the team found fun and enjoyment in the matches we played. All in all it was a rewarding and fun season.

Subhash Viswanadham

15C Cricket

The 15C's have had a great season, with all of our players improving their cricketing skills. Despite few disappointing matches, we have persevered and

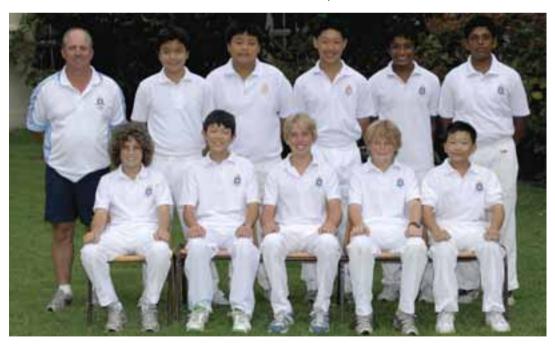


15B Cricket

Back Row: J.Zhu, J.Jian, K.Ying, V.Ho, C.Mao, J.Norman. **Front Row:** S.Nene, S.Luong, K.Huang, S.Viswanadham (Captain), N.Lazarus, D.Chan, M.Li.



15C Cricket Back Row: E.Ly, B.Mo, T.Zhou, M.Liang, K.Giang, J.Yang. **Front Row:** T.Wu, J.Hu, S.Kumareswaran (Captain), R.Le, K.Julca Cui.



14A Cricket

Back Row: Mr D.Smith (Coach), A.Chen, A.Dao, J.Zhang, L.De Fonseka, S.Vimalanathan. **Front Row:** G.Farrugia, P.Lam, N.Anson (Captain), J.Cooper, Y.Wong. **Absent:** S.Nagaraj.



14B Cricket

Back Row: S.Gallagher, A.Cao, E.Yu, B.Xie, P.Stephens, M.Yu.

Front Row: H.Gu. R.Cheng, D.Feng (Captain), J.Huang, S.Wong.



Back Row: Y.Man, B.Kwong, D.Duong, S.Pham.
Front Row: J.Huang, V.Zhang, E.Wang (Captain), A.Loi, A.Qi.

played our best, culminating in an impressive team Hat Trick against St. Pats. Indeed, some of our players have improved so much that they werepromoted to other teams. We have had some outstanding performances, with heroic (cough, cough) catches by all members of the team, and valiant bowling efforts by the whole team whilst struggling to get wickets. Despite not winning a game, our performance has been steadily improving and I know that our win is fast approaching. Our batting has gone steadily uphill, from 10/10 to 4/51 in our final game. We have had consistent efforts from players like Jason Hu, a steady bowler and a leading batsman, and Kevin Giang, a legendary bowler, strong batsman and an excellent keeper and fielder. We have many players who are new to cricket, but they have all shown a keen interest in learning the finer points of the game, and their performances are improving drastically. Despite constant encouragement from our excellent (and often absent) coaches, we have not vet been able to have everyone contribute at least a run each. Next season, we will work as a team to improve our shot selection and also our run rate. as the majority of our innings came to an end when we were caught off a bad shot, or attempted to slam the ball without getting our eye in. In conclusion, the 15C's have had a wonderful season, with all of us improving our skills admirably. I sincerely hope that all of the members of the team return to cricket next year, and will further their skills over the coming years.

Sumen Kumareswaran

14 B Cricket

This season has resulted in a great development in our team. The team's fielding and bowling has grown with High able to keep our opposition under 200. Misfields have been quite rare this season and we have had 2 magnificent run outs by Michael Yu. High had a close loss to Grammar, only losing by two overs. I would like to thank players who filled in for people who could not come to matches, especially Vishnu from the 14A team and players from Riverview. I would also like to congratulate Andrew Cao in his recent success in bowling and Peter and Jackson for their partnership against Grammar. As the captain of the 14Bs I am pleased at the coming together and enthusiasm of the team. Better luck next season!

David Feng



13A Cricket

Back Row: S.Pulapaka, A.Allingham, R.Sura, N.Bari, T.Nassif. **Front Row:** M.Betbeder-Matibet, R.Saha, J.Tinker, V.Avudainayagam (Captain), K.Ke, T.Hossain, J.Chew.



13B Cricket

Back Row: N.Mostafa, J.Tran, A.Wong, F.Wang, M.Liu, N.Hoang. **Front Row:** E.Wong, A.Narula, B.Lee (Captain), J.Lin, A.Khondaker.

13A Cricket

This season we played six games and though it may not show through our results, we improved dramatcally throughout the season. With each game we played we became more and more familiar with each other. At the end of the season all of us enjoyed playing our games and training with our wonderful coach Bikram. Mr. Laurie Heil also helped us often during training sessions and thus, we improved greatly. Bikram was one of the best coaches any of us have ever had. He made training great, fun and enjoyable and gave us the opportunity to train four times a week. He became one of our closest friends. Our team members are now extremely good friends with each other, greeting each other every time we meet at random places.

Rick Saha one of our top batsmen scored consistently with scores of 5,31,8,19,8,28 saving our team in the toughest times. James Tinker also played a few very important innings with the skill of keeping the wicket and scoring highly with a 22 not out in the last match. Niyazul Bari (otherwise known as the 'wall') never played close to a silly shot as he

only ever played defensively! Sudarshan Arvind played two important innings of 12 and 28, Raunak Sura played beautifully as an opener with scores in double figures in two of the three games he opened and Vishnu Avudainayagam scored the highest of 42 in one game. Kevin Ke bowled terrific spin, flighting the ball and making it very hard to read for the batsman. Niyazul Bari turned the ball a mile picking out hard wickets and Anthony Allingham bowled flighted spin picking up a few wickets. Shreyas Pulapaka played one game for us in which he took two wickets in an over and a catch. Our pace attack was very strong with bowlers like Raunak Sura, Jonathan Chew, Tahmeed Hosssain, James Tinker, Thomas Nassif and at times Vishnu. Wonderous catches were taken such as Jonathan Chew's catch in the last game, Niyazul's set of rocket catches in the first few games as well as many others. Marc Betbeder-Matibet wicket-kept solidly letting hardly any byes through and taking some very good catches. Thomas Nassif was a very good fielder and his bowling was economical. His batting was also great but his spirit and the enthusiasm he brought to the team was tremendous. Overall, even

though we didn't win a game I'm sure that we will win many next season because of Raunak Sura's pace, Rick Saha's batting, Nlyazul Bari's batting and bowling, Thomas Nassif's all-round performance, Tahmeed's economical bowling, James Tinker's wicket-keeping, bowling and batting, Sudarshan's wonderful batting, Anthony's spin and lovely batting, Marc's solid keeping, Kevin Ke's awesome bowling and Jonathan Chews tight fast bowling. Other thanks must go to all the parents for their support.

Vishnu Avudainayagam

13B Cricket

The 13B team started in Term 1 as a new team with everyone in it just meeting for the first time so we did not know much about each other or what to expect. However, once we started practicing and playing together as a team and we made huge improvements as a result of training and competition days. We encouraged each other, urging ourselves on and always aware that we were representing Sydney Boys High while we were on the field and even at practice. In every game we improved, learning something new, and a new air of

confidence developed. We fought our way through each game even when it seemed to be sliding away from us. I am very pleased with my team's season and hope we can win more games in the next cricket season. Thank you to Bikram and Ellie and also the coaches at sport on Thursdays who also helped us.

Bryan Lee

13C Cricket Report

This season was eventful and exciting even though we failed to win any matches. A number of the players in the team were new to cricket but still enjoyed the season greatly. Yilun Zhou scored at least one wicket every game while Jimmy Zhou played strongly with the bat. Our best performance was the second last match against The Kings School.

Overall we are very pleased with the improved level of our skills and look forward to next season when we hope to compete with more success.

We all put in our best for the season. Well done team and thanks to our coach Ritam Mitra.

Renjith Joseph



13C Cricket

Back Row: O.Tseu-Tjoa, Y.Zhou, I.Zhou, H.Huang. **Front Row:** J.Lim, A.Tiang, K.Joseph (Captain), W.Du, D.He.

Basketball



First Grade Basketball

Front Row: S. Yoon, Mr B. Hayman (MIC), L. Gordon (Captain), Dr K.A. Jaggar (Principal), E. Naar, Mr T. Neal (Coach), J. Rajendram. Back Row: J.Sutton, C.Jurlina, C.Moller, A.Dumovic, C.Morrow, D.Jones.

Seated on Ground: C.Chiam, N.Costa, R.Sternhell (Officials).

First Grade Report

The 2009/10 season for basketball has asserted itself as one that will be remembered by many. This year's First Grade side was packed with talent, depth and hard work – translating into impressive results for the school. The First Grade Basketball team went 14 games for 12 wins and 2 losses; we took away the highly coveted Raschke Cup as well as making the final of the Sydney Schools Shootout. Unfortunately two early losses impeded us from a chance of taking away the GPS premiership; however both our Raschke cup victory and as our Term 1 victory against Newington undoubtedly for the rest of my life. This year we finished 2nd on the ladder.

This has been the most successful 1st grade season for Sydney High for some time now, and one of the best in the history of High basketball. To start the season, we were dealt a brutal first up loss to Newington in their gym, followed by a heartbreaking one point double overtime loss to Kings in Parramatta. It is a testament to the strength of our team that, instead of shifting focus of the overall goal to other activities, we banded together to win the remaining five games of Term 4 and were undefeated in Term 1. We finished our season with 12 wins in a row, remaining undefeated at home.

Following the loss to Kings, First Grade travelled to Hunters Hill against a sizable Joey's outfit. After a slow start we came out and dominated the rest of the game, translating into success for the following games against Shore, Riverview, Grammar and Scots – all won by a margin of more than 20 points.

Over the summer holidays, all members of the First Grade squad worked tirelessly on improving their game. This hard work was converted into a very important result for the school – a victory in the Raschke Cup. The tournament spans over two days, with the pool games being played on day one and finals on day two. High finished top of Pool A to meet arch-rivals Newington in the Grand Final. In a gripping match played at extremely high intensity, High prevailed in overtime 40-35.

This form continued into Term 1, as we defeated Newington by four points for our first regular season victory over them in years. Our next game was an emphatic victory over St Joseph's college in our own gym, followed by a vengeance-fuelled 30 point drubbing of Kings. The next few games of our season saw monstrous victories over St Ignatius and Shore, as well as a 60 point triumph over the Scots College. The final game was played against Sydney

Grammar, an enjoyable victory in which the seniors played together for most of the last quarter to finish our time at High like we started.

Overall the 2009/10 season was a very enjoyable and successful affair, with many fond memories for all involved.

Leo Gordon, Captain of Basketball

Second Grade Basketball

The GPS 2nd Grade competition was very evenly matched in 2010, with anyone of five teams having a good shot at the Premiership. The Sydney High team showed great promise in the preseason, despite the fact that only three of us had ever played GPS Opens Basketball before. Although our hopes for a GPS Premiership were not realised, we still continued the strong tradition of High Basketball, placing 3rd in the GPS and winning the 2nd Grade Raschke Cup, all in a season well worth remembering.

The first round of the GPS saw us face Newington, having narrowly lost to them in the final of the preseason Newington Classic just a week before. Despite improvements in our game and a particularly strong performance from point guard Yixin, who scored a whopping 21 points, we lost 59-45. But our season gained momentum away against Kings the following week, where at the end of an incredibly close match Jasper hit a buzzer-beating 3 pointer to send the game into overtime. With the first round of overtime unable to split the two teams, the match was decided in double overtime where Lloyd earned a critical charge in the final play allowing us a 50-49 win. From there, our confidence and ability massively increased as we beat St Josephs' and a strong Shore side in the following two weeks, both by convincing margins. Unfortunately, our run came to an end against Riverview, when they scored a 3 point buzzer-beater to win 51-50. Despite the disappointment, we couldn't take major fault with our performance, in which Jasper and Nelson stood out with 18 and 14 points respectively. And we were quick to bounce back, finishing term four in style with two massive wins over Grammar (50-32) and Scots (71-34), including notable performances from Jasper, who scored over 23 points in both games. But with those wins came injuries to two of our key players, Yixin and Matthew. Missing them was to become a huge loss for the team, but thankfully they showed great commitment to the team by attending every training session and match to support us. Matthew



Second Grade Basketball

Back Row: M.McDonald, B.McGlenchy.

Second Row: N.Wang, J.Garay, S.Biscevic, D.Nguyen, S.Renzenbrink, N.Autar. **Front Row:** L.Perris, Mr B.Hayman (MIC), A.Paul (Captain), Mr G.Krastev (Coach), Y.Liu.



Third Grade Basketball

Back Row: B.Ou, I.Zaman, L.Wang, M.Wang, M.Robertson. **Front Row:** A.Ye, M.Wong, A.Kugendran (Captain), V.Vo, G.Shargorodsky. did this in preparation for his return to play, but Yixin did it even though he was out for the season – a massive effort.

After a tough training camp in a sweltering gym over the summer holidays, we entered the mid season tournament, the Raschke Cup. We played well, beating Scots, Riverview, and Kings in the rounds; all with much more ease than in the GPS season. In a very physical final against St Joseph's we managed to break away in the second half to win 38-26. The Raschke Cup win gave a big boost to our morale and confidence, as it was the first time in many years that a Sydney High Second Grade team had won it, and even longer since we'd won it in both Firsts and Seconds, as happened in 2010.

Having lost two matches in the first half of GPS we knew every match in term one would be crucial, starting with round eight against then top of the table Newington. Unfortunately our passion and excitement led us to mistakes as well as effort. In a disappointing and surprisingly low scoring result, we lost 36-26. But the next weeks saw us play excellently in a bid to make up for our losses; we thumped St Josephs 67-35 with Blake (he's a shooter) coming out of nowhere, scoring 25 points. Then we beat Kings and Riverview by decent margins, a mark of our improvement since our one point margin encounters in term one.

Next up we were away at Shore in a match that would effectively decide second place. The game was well fought and incredibly tight; we went into the last two minutes with just a four point lead. But the rules of basketball work in cruel ways. When a minor scuffle broke out on the court, Shiraz and myself stood up off the bench briefly, before retaking our seats. But since the bench was so close to the court, we were ruled as having come on to the court during the scuffle. So in an event unparalleled in unnecessary drama, we were ejected from the gym, gifting Shore four free throws which helped them win 46-45. This was a heartbreaking defeat, but with just two matches left in the season we were determined to make them count.

The last two weeks of the season were some of the most enjoyable, as we were playing some of our best basketball and coasting to big wins. In the second last round, we demolished Scots 71-21. As the last home match for the year 12's, it couldn't have been better, with all the year 12's getting on the court together and combining well as a team. And in the dying seconds of the match, the sight of

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myself scoring my first ever three pointer in a competitive game may have been an ugly sight technically, but it surely lifted spirits. We then went into our last match against Grammar fuelled by Austrian energy drink 'Bomba', and showed up our traditional rivals by beating them 72-29, even though we only led 23-18 at half time.

At the end of a great season, thanks must go to our coach and MIC Mr Hayman, whose effort and ability made all the difference. Assistant coach George Krastev, who's talkative nature can only be matched by Shiraz, was so good at pumping us up pre-match that we can forget about the fitness sessions he lifted from his "book of death". Also, thanks must go to all supporters and parents who made high basketball so enjoyable, and helped create such a great season for Second Grade 2009-10.

Antony Paul, Captain

Fourth Grade Basketball

In the 2009/2010 season, fourth grade basketball was one of the most successful teams in the entire school. Finishing with a record of 13-1, the team displayed high levels of chemistry and commitment to each other. Led by Coach Sammy, the team dominated almost every game, only losing to Shore. The team consisted of:

Merlin Li – Dominating forward, with an inside/out game. Opposing defences struggled to stop him every week. **Josh Suh** – Rebounding machine, a defensive specialist with a smooth hook shot.

Anthony Li – Had the ability to change the game with his height and length, altering and blocking countless shots. Adrian Zhang - Deadly sharpshooter with unbounding range. Could hit jump shots from all over the court with precision and ease. Chris Nguyen - Vice captain, Able to penetrate defences with his quickness and had the uncanny ability to finish impossible shots. Ashul **Jain** – Possessed a Kobe – like skill set, brought much needed defensive intensity and scoring off the bench. Ali Mokdad - Indomitable guard, a tenacious defender who terrorised offences with his extreme hustle and foot speed. Vinson Zheng -Had a smooth jump shot, and could score from anywhere on the court. **Samir Amine** – A forward gifted with a massive wingspan, would use his length to toy with opponents on the offensive boards. His improvement over the summer holidays won him the MIP award.

Matthew Phung



Fourth Grade Basketball
Back Row: G.Leung, A.Li, M.Li, A.Jain.
Front Row: A.Mokdad, V.Zheng, M.Phung (Captain), C.Nguyen, A.Zhang.



Fifth Grade Basketball

Back Row: N.Leong, K.Lu, D.Chandra, L.Sheldon, J.Zhang, H.Tran, Y.Wong.
Front Row: B.Cheung, D.Cheung, C.Do (Captain), A.Chin, P.Castillo.

Fifth Grade Basketball

During the course of 2009-10, Fifth Grade Basketball members have given their all for the team, securing some great achievements for Sydney Boys High. Out of the 11 games played, 6 were won outright, with another 2 lost within a margin of only 5 points.

Under the quality leadership of Coach Hughoce Feng and Captain Cornelius Do, Fifth Grade has engaged in a more vigorous training regime than any other comparative team. Prior to the official commencement of the season last year, we had already initiated training sessions in the school gym during the spring holiday period. Over the next two terms, we steadfastly congregated every Wednesday afternoon to train until 17:00- that's a 4 hour devotion to training every week.

As a result, team members' fitness levels were raised considerably. Moreover, players were able to culminate concepts taught and place them in practice with confidence. Such include:

- · Denny's superb boxing out;
- Brendan (MVP)'s powerful drives up to the ring;
- Dominic (MIP)'s underdog style of play;
- · Aaron's high momentum drives;
- · Cornelius' prudent passes;
- Nathan's effective defensive play;
- Kevin's adept point-blank shots;
- · Leon's enviable rebounding skills;
- Howard's guick manoeuvres;
- · Yale's improving free throws; and
- · Joseph's consistent three-point shots.

However, our success is testament not only to strong individual performance, but also to our ability to work cohesively, including the sacrifice of personal glory for the greater gain of the team. This is evident in our ability to execute strategic plays taught by Hughoce.

In addition to man and zone defence, Fifth Grade has also implemented the trap as part of our defensive strategy, with its effectiveness proven by the inability of the opponent to pass the halfway line. We have also formed several offensive plays including rover (and its variations) and motion, both of paramount importance to our success. In terms of inbounding, the team now runs the split and a special (albeit confusing) offensive man inbound play. Initially, Fifth Grade faced several challenges, as we were an amalgamation of various social groups from the year. Elements of social exclusion were inherent in the team. However, through basketball, we have

strengthened bonds and expanded friendship circles. This new era of harmony has been reaffirmed by our private end of season team function. Friendships made from basketball, as well as the attributes taken up, in particular teamwork and communication, will last us a lifetime.

It is emotional to reach the end of another season, a period characterised by exhilarating highs and forlorn (and wearisome) lows. Indeed, for Brendan (year 12), this will be his last season, and we join together to wish him well for the future. For the rest of us year 11's, we will undoubtedly be training hard in the off-season to remerge stronger and more powerful than ever, as we prepare for the challenges of the next season.

Yale Wong, Fifth Grade Basketball Vice Captain

Sixth Grade Basketball

As our last year in High basketball, the sixth grade team entered the season hoping to have fun this season. With the first game against the Kings a convincing win, the team was boosted with confidence on and off the court. With our captain Barry out for half the season, the boys lifted their game to fill his void. Each player, no matter what skill level, played a critical role in keeping the team's momentum going and as a result led to our undefeated status. Winning against other schools wasn't enough for the hungry sixth graders, so we sought to compete against our own thirds, fourths and fifths who, like all the other schools we played, could not defeat us. Special mentions go to Justin and David for developing our impenetrable "You Can't Get Through This" defensive play and Roger, John and William for being part of the block mania. Congratulations on a great season boys!

Jim Nauven

Seventh Grade Baskeball

The 7th Grade Basketball Team started the season with great spirit and the Year 12 boys were enthusiastic to play their last basketball season for the school. Due to constant rain in the pre-season, the team had only one training season before heading into our first game against Kings. The lack of training was reflected in the team's performance as our lack of communication on the court lead to a narrow 30-21 loss. The boys were disappointed with the loss and aimed to improve our performance by next week. Vigorous training during Wednesday sport proved beneficial as we beat Joeys



Sixth Grade Basketball

Back Row: B.Chen (Coach), D.Tran, J.Hajj, B.Ly, Mr W.Baldock (Coach).

Front Row: W.Lee, R.Zhang, J.Nguyen (Captain), J.Braverman, A.Banh.



Back Row: H.Zhuang, I.Lu, T.Xiao, D.Morgan, M.Lee, Mr W.Baldock (Coach).
Front Row: D.Yan, H.Vi, G.B.Wang (Captain), L.Li, H.Huang.

comprehensively the following weekend. Our dominant form continued with wins against Shore, Grammar and Riverview in particular with a 59-12 win. The summer holiday came and the team enjoyed a much earned brake, but we were in full focus with the arrival of the second half of the season. We won a tight game against a large Shore team and this stretched our winning streak to 5 in a row. We did not want the streak to end but the team knew we had some more work to do if we wished to beat Kings, the only team that has beaten us so far. We went into the match against Kings with confidence and started the game on fire. Star forwards Harry Zhuang and Ian Lu stood up against the bigger opposition to grab valuable rebounds. This ensured our dominance in possession leading to a much deserved win. A shuffle of the starting line-up in the game against Riverview saw Daniel Morgan wave his magic in the early minutes of the game and his brilliance continued throughout the game to seal another victory. Our team chemistry really glued together when we thrashed Scots 98-8

with Guoxi Bill Wang top scoring with 23. The last game of the season was also the last game ever for the Year 12 boys. Emotions were running high but the team remained focus on the task at hand. It was the game to decide the official premiers of the 7th Grade Basketball Competition with both High and Grammar having lost only one game each. The game saw the much anticipated return of Lawrence Li but this was short-lived when he was ejected from the stadium. Centre Tony Xiao rose to the occasion with his gigantic leaps to block Grammar shooters numerous times and scoring the winning points in a game that went down to the wire. The final score was 31-27, the tightest and most dramatic game of the season. Special mentions go to Ding Yan who shot a three-pointer in every game and Hugh Huang who was the team's undisputed MVP. A big thank you goes to Mr Baldock who dedicated his time and effort to coach us on Wednesdays and Saturdays, it wouldn't have been possible without him.

Guoxi Bill Wang



Eighth Grade Basketball

Back Row: M.Wei, M.Liu-Li, J.Chen, D.Nguyen, D.Wang, D.Chen. Front Row: K.Nguyen, A.Zhang, K.Phan, K.Li (Captain), K.Tian, A.Lin, G.Wong-Romeo.

Eighth Grade Basketball

This season, the 8th Grade basketball team comprised of Year 11 players unlike previous seasons, when Year 12 players also played in the 8ths. As a result, we were probably the youngest 8th Grade team, primarily playing against Year 12's from the other GPS schools. The 2009/2010 season was not the most successful season, but was a great learning experience for the team, teaching us to step up when facing opponents who were clearly more athletic and more experienced. Coached by Mr Baldock, the team was as follows:

David Li Wang (PF): Playing as a power forward, I was consistently able to grab some rebounds each game for the team and scored a few points throughout the season. Dominic Nauven (C): Dominic was always an efficient rebounder ever ready to put up a shot. Josh Chen (C): Josh was our other main center, using his size and jump height to post, grab numerous rebounds each game and he also came up with some very big blocks. Michael Tickner (C/PF): Michael came down from 5ths at the end of term 4 and instantly made some impact when he played with us, able to block well and rebound. Daniel Chen (SF): Daniel was our most consistent scorer, quick on the court, easily reaching the other side unnoticed, and was always quick to score baskets. Max Wei (SF): Max was effective in driving under pressure, often scoring in this way and he always managed to pick up a few rebounds each game. Kevin Phan (SF): Kevin was aggressive and quite able in scoring points, either from long range shooting or driving. Michael Liu-Li (SF/SG): Michael was versatile, capable in several aspects of the game and able to generate points when we needed them, top-scoring 4 games in the season. Kevin Tian (SG): Kevin was a very athletic shooting guard, great in defence and often scored with ease from his jump shots. Anthony Lin (SG): Anthony was usually our quickest player on the court, always making fast breaks and he scored on numerous occasions. He was voted the most improved player. Kenneth Nguyen (SG): Kenneth though lacking in size, was able to score on larger opponents with his spectacular reverse lay ups, and he was also a great sharp shooter. Gianni Wong-Romeo (PG): Gianni also joined the team from 5ths at the end of term 4, bringing his dribbling skills to the team and he managed to nail 3's in some games. Kevin Li (PG): Last but not least Kevin was our key play maker, racking up assists and scoring either through driving or terrific outside shooting. He was voted

the most valuable player.

The season was filled with several close games where we lost by a few points, despite having a comfortable lead at halftime, and some games were so close that a mere fraction of a second more time would have led to a win. However the highlight of the season was undoubtedly the game against Kings, when we trailed 5-13 at halftime. It was one of the few games in which we did not lead at halftime and was quite a low scoring game. Nevertheless, after Mr Baldock decided to switch our defence to a full court press, our team scored 21 unanswered points, before they scored 2 baskets to close out the game, with our team winning 26-17. That game proved our mental strength and ability to step up when we really needed to, with every team member contributing in one way or another. The final game against Grammar, the strongest team, also highlighted our improvement, having lost to them in term 4, 9-35. The Grammar 8th grade team was comprised of Year 12's who had previously played in A's or B's and were clearly more experienced than us. Despite trailing 0-8, with much effort we eventually came back to lead 23-18 but then could not keep up with their best player, who scored 18 points alone, losing 25-36.

Overall the season was quite enjoyable and we hope to convert those close losses into victories next season. I would also like to thank Mr Baldock for his dedication to the team and MIC, Mr Hayman for ensuring High Basketball's success. As the Shootin' Hoops Editor, I've seen how High Basketball has begun to bloom and boom, and we've all become players that play hard, play smart and play together.

David Li Wangs

16A Basketball

The 09-10 season has been a fun and enjoyable one for the 16As. While being easily the shortest team in the entire GPS competition we worked hard throughout the entire season proving that heart is more important than height. In term 4 2009, the team had 1 win and 6 losses and in term 1 2010, the team had 0 wins and 7 losses. However, these results do not reflect the effort made by every member of the team. Many of our games were extremely close with several 1 point losses.

On behalf of our team I would like to thank our dedicated coach James, Mr Alex Hayman for helping us improve in the future 1st sessions every Thursday afternoon and to Mr Ben Hayman for making this



16A Basketball
Back Row: L.Fang, C.Stack, J.Kim, D.Liang.
Front Row: A.Moon, J.Koukouras, J.Zhou (Captain), O.Lee, H.Heo.



16B Basketball Back Row: M.Song, R.Mahajan, T.Hang, C.Kwan. Front Row: N.Ooi, W.Yuan, B.Jeyarasa, N.Ma, J.Tsai.



16C Basketball

Back Row: T.Chin, J.Ng, J.Yang, J.Park, N.Tang, A.Chan.
Front Row: M.Chin, J.Ng, W.Lin, M.Zhu, D.Wang.



16D Basketball
Back Row: E.Li, C.Luiker, M.Ngai.
Front Row: L.Nguyen, L.Zhao, W.Ho, W.Yang.



16E Basketball

Back Row: R.Manahan, M.Lam, W.Baxter, V.Nguyen, B.Laird, W.Randles.

Front Row: V.Chen, B.Chau. M.Yim. J.Lo. K Visvaa.

entire season possible. Also a big thank must be extended to the parents who were always there to support us whenever possible. Well done to all the boys for their hard work and having a memorable season.

Jerry Zhou

16B Basketball

Basketball was a great success for us this season. Our team improved greatly throughout the season and I can positively say that all our players enjoyed the time we spent playing basketball. At the start of the season our team formation and chemistry was lacking. However through hard work and dedication our performances improved significantly. Our coach Ben Hayman did a great job in bringing about this improvement and by the end of the season, the 16 B' team were able to perform as well as the A team. I am very glad to say that our team had great fun.

Branavan Jeyarasa

16E Basketball

The 16 Es had a very successful season with only 1 loss to Kings on our first game of our GPS season. Initially we were new and inexperienced but have since been undefeated. The late arrival of Centre/Power Forward Michael Lam proved very useful to us. We arrived at every game half an hour early to warm up and get ready to win. The dedication of the 16E's cannot be under-estimated. Every Wednesday, we would train until our muscles could not move anymore. Every Saturday, we would use all our heart and soul to win every game, our determination to win is unbelievable. Every member of our team is vital and as such we are invincible. With Ben and Krishna on the field we have been able to keep possession from one side of the court to the other. With Vincent assisting and Minwoo getting his lay-ups in, Justin Lo with his drives and Michael, William Baxter and Will getting all offensive rebounds and finishing them off, we were able to score convincingly. Also, with the speed of Vincent, we could intercept and fast break easily.

We want to thank Samson for his great training and helping us succeed.

Michael Lam, Minwoo Yim



16F Basketball
Back Row: P.Wu, F.Li, A.Lau, W.Zhou.
Front Row: L.De La Cour, C.Ye, B.Lee (Captain), A.Phan, M.Nguyen.



15A Basketball

Back Row: S.Wang, M.Stojanovik, A.Wu, A.Thom, K.Chen.

Front Row: N.France, O.Kirk, E.Kelly (Captain), K.Kuang, T.Li.



15B Basketball
Back Row: M.Chang, K.Ho, J.Cao, J.Pallandi, D.Duong.
Front Row: B.Angell, B.Leung, J.Lam (Captain), R.Ko, M.Chao.



15C Basketball

Back Row: I.Metcalf, N.Autar, J.Clements-Lendrum, W.Choi.

Front Row: L.Jones, T.Pham, M.Lam, A.Wei, B.He.



15D Basketball

Back Row: J.Yeung, A.Zhou, D.Ghezelbash. **Front Row:** H.Gu, W.Koslowski, W.Ma, J.Chung.

16F Basketball

The 2009/2010 basketball season has been an exciting one for the 16F's. We played great games from the start of the season, remaining undefeated in term four of 2009. In term one 2010, we welcomed a new member to our team, Michael Nguyen. Initially we struggled a little while Michael settled in but gradually we improved and finished with a great victory in the last game of the season, the score 43-10.

Ben Lee

15 A Basketball

The fifteen A's had a good start to the season in term four. We were aiming for more wins than loses this season and I am quite sure we achieved this goal. Despite losing our first game to Newington in a trial match, we continued to train and work hard and won three more matches that term. In term one; along with the addition of Aidan Thom and Nicolas France, we won five games out of seven.

The season was filled with ups and downs. One of these occasions occurred when we played Shore in term one. The previous game against Shore we lost by a sizeable margin. Despite having a shaky first half against this team in term one, we pushed the ball and took good shots in the second half and came out on top. The score was 46-19. Another memorable game occurred against Scots. Coming into this match, I think we were mentality unprepared because of the loss in term four. After the first half of this match, we were losing 9-22 but in the second half, although we didn't win the match in the end, I think our team proved to ourselves that we can compete at the highest level. I'd like to thank our coach, Dan, for training us this season and preparing us for each game and Miss Ward for supporting us every Saturday. Eamon Kelly was awarded the Most Valuable Player and Shuming Wang the Most Improved Player

Eamon Kelly

14B Basketball

The 09/10 season for the fourteen B's was pretty decent with the team racking up six wins and eight losses. The season was hectic with players dropping down, injuries, and changes of coach, but somehow we managed quite well. The teamwork in our team was probably why we won our games, rather than



15E Basketball Back Row: Y.Wu, R.Dewan, L.Zhang. Front Row: J.Weng, R.Xi, J.Ma, K.Liu, S.Du.



15F Basketball Back Row: D.Chen, J.Lee, A.Kerr, A.Xu, L.Zhu, B.Jin. Front Row: A.Nguyen, H.Mai, J.Dao, E.Ho, W.Xie.

someone just blazing through the defence and top scoring every game.

The team had two newcomers to basketball, Brian Truong and Joshua Leo who both turned out to be two very crucial players in our games. Brian and Alex had crazy driving skills. They would head into a pack of defenders and come out at the ring and knock down the points. Josh was our fast break expert, both in defence and offence. He would chase players who had a ten metre headstart and block them or pressure them down under the ring. He would rack up at least 3 steals a game. Pinyan was our main point guard and he would just blaze down the court with a quick crossover, and post up down low and finish at the ring. Andrew He was injured for the first half of the season but once he came back, he proved a speedy player with a strong defence and a pretty good shot. Andrew Lui and Nathan Kong were our two big men down low, setting screens and posting up on the opposing team. Waylon was the wild player in our team, chucking up some completely random shots that somehow found their way into the basket. He would also grab a couple of rebounds every game. Lokgei would do whatever needed to be done on the court, and score a couple of points each game.

Overall with all our individual talents, the team improved greatly from one win and 6 losses in the first season to five wins, all over 20points in the next. The team's shooting was also pretty decent at seventy-one percent from the three point line. The team would like to thank Andrew James for coaching us and Johny Shih for filling in when the team was left coachless in the first half of the season.s.

Our most valuable player was Wenbo Gong and our most improved was Lokgei Lee.

Wenbo Gong

14 C Basketball

2010 has been a great season for the 14C's even though we had only won 1 game. At the very start of the season, some of us could not do a layup, or even a point blank shot but with help from our dedicated coach Johnny Shih, our shooting got back on track and soon, we were scoring more points than when we started. This team consisted of:

Sam Pham – The one we could always count on to bring the ball to the other side of the court without losing possession.



14A Basketball

Back Row: A.Chen, K.Lu, G.Zheng, H.Feng, B.Chen. Front Row: E.Lee, S.Wang, C.Shi (Captain), J.Kwon, W.L.Zhuang.



14B Basketball
Back Row: A.Kuang, A.Liu, N.Kong, B.Truong, A.He.
Front Row: P.Gao, J.Leo, W.Gong (Captain), L.Lee, W.Lu.

Andy Bao - Could always find a point blank shot whenever he received the ball even if it meant ramming through a crowd! Daniel Shao - Has the most accurate shot in the key even with people double his height marking him. Nathan Wang-Ly -Has the ability to find anyone who is open and then let them score an open shot! **Brandon Huynh** – Can make in impossible reverses whilst under tremendous pressure. Jeremy Ma aggressively rip a ball off an opponent without losing. Damien Duong – A player who can rebound his own shots and then make in epic point blanks! **Jeffrey Zhao** – He was the one who could intercept any pass with his speed and agility. Derek Sun - A Rejecter, Rebounder and Blocker all strapped in one package!

Our Team MVP was Nathan Wang-Ly and the MIP was Brandon Huynh. I would like to thank the team for a great season and our Coach Johnny Shih for greatly improving our skills in basketball, i hope next season will be just as successful as this one!

Weber Liu

14 D Basketball

The 14D team started off the season with some good efforts, and even a victory over Joeys, something which most of the players had not experienced. The first half of the season was a little disappointing, with some close losses and some large ones, but after a term of playing with each other, we started playing better as a team. We improved our scoring, or defence and our fast breaks, and in the second half of the season we were rewarded for our hard work with some good wins against St. Ignatius, Grammar, Kings, Scots and a 64-32 domination of Joeys. Outstanding players through the season were Justin Ng, who was top scorer for most of the season's games and Most Valuable Player. Sunny Cheng, who scored an amazing twenty points against St. Josephs and Ricky Chin, who won a well deserved Most Improved Player award. Everyone in the team is happy for what they achieved during the season, and everyone enjoyed playing with each other. A big thanks to Alvin, our coach, for helping us through the season, and congratulations to the whole team for the effort they put in.

Jonathan Freiberg



14C Basketball
Back Row: B.Huynh, J.Zhao, D.Duong, S.Pham.
Front Row: A.Bao, D.Shao, W.Liu (Captain), J.Ma, N.Wang-Ly.



Back Row: L.Chen, R.Chin, S.Cheng, M.Fung, R.Li.
Front Row: J.Ng, T.Du, J.Freiberg (Captain), A.Karahasan, W.Zhou.



14E Basketball
Back Row: J.Chan, R.Ip, B.Hou, A.Bui.
Front Row: J.Huo, J.Jo, J.Le (Captain), V.Yang, G.Baker.



14F Basketball
Back Row: R.Rawnak, H.Liu, K.Chong.
Front Row: W.Yang, C.Ketkeo, A.Shi (Captain), D.Li, J.Tang.

14F Basketball

The 14Fs have had a great season, winning most of our games. Our season had 4 losses all together, all of them against Kings and Newington. The 14Fs consisted of Andrew Shi, William Yang, Kevin Chong, Samuel Lin, Joseph Tan, Ethan Ou, Chris Ketkeo, David Li, Ryan Rawnak and Hong Jian Liu.

We began the season slowly but improved greatly as the season progressed. At the beginning of the season we could not layup, dribble or pass well at all but our coach Mr McQuillan helped us a lot. In most of our games the points were scored with team work, though William stood out the most, scoring the majority of points in nearly all of our games.

The MIP is Ethan Ou and the MVP was William Yang. Thanks for the co-operation team, thanks to Mr McQuillan and hopefully next year will bring similar success.

Andrew Shi

13 A Basketball

After a nervous start to the season which resulted in a disappointing first round loss, the 13A's team geared up for the second game of the season. Stanley Si and Joshua Maloof showed rapid improvement, while Daniel Anh was a monster in the paint; grabbing numerous rebounds. Leading point scorer Tyson (aka Yao Ming) also showed some promise as the season went on.

However, during the end of the season, Joshua Maloof and Daniel Haslem suffered serious injuries, where they were forced to miss out on the 2nd last game of the season, which deprived the 13A's of a crucial ball carrier in Daniel Haslem.

The most promising attribute of the A's game was the 'never give up attitude.' While facing losses of more than 30 points, the A's showed determination of spirit and a never-ending ability to keep on going.

As the season ends, the 13A's welcome the winter season as a path to improve upon their game and progress further.

Alex So



13A Basketball

Back Row: S.Si, T.Nguyen, B.Haslem, B.Dang. Front Row: P.King, K.Liang, T.Zhang, D.Ahn, J.Maloof.

13 B Basketball

This season the 13Bs have played many private school teams. We have played every game except the first two games. The 13Bs have had a solid season and while we may have lost all our games our skills have improved after each loss and we have always played with pride.

Our MVP was Kevin Liang. Kevin was a great player and scored most of our points. Charlie is another great team player and although he did not score as many points as Kevin, he is like a tank and able to use his strength to push with all his might and dribble through.

Adilmorad is a fantastic player who comes up with lots of assists to our goals. David, Ben, Zachary, Anthony and Kenneth have also proved invaluable on the court. Without each one of these players our team would not be whole and we would not have been able to do as well as we have done throughout the whole season. I hope this team continues to play good basketball in the futurel.

Last of all I would like to thank our coach MJ. We all think that he is the best coach a team could have. He has coached us and told us not to back down even in the hardest situation.

13C Basketball

The 13C's began the season with a rocky start. In our first couple of matches against Shore, Riverview and Newington we were smashed by over 30 points. However, towards the end of the season we had improved so much that we caught up with Scots College. Unfortunately, we were unable to maintain our momentum.

Our last game was played against Grammar. Despite our best effort we were unable to secure a win and lost by 8 points. Overall we are pleased with the way we played this season and better ourselves next season.

William Chang



13B Basketball

Back Row: Z.Hung, A.Nadir, A.Tan, J.Yang, D.Bang. **Front Row:** K.Szet, L.Chen, R.Li (Captain), K.Liang, B.Fu.



13C Basketball

Back Row: A.Han, S.Zhang, K.Lu, W.Beare, N.Haidar.

Front Row: S.Li, C.Lee, W.Chang (Captain), G.Liang, M.Ng.



13D Basketball

Back Row: C.Wang, E.Wu (Captain), B.Jiang, D.Wang, S.Kamalasuriya.

Front Row: S.Zhang, B.Chan, J.Wu, R.Lin, A.Zhang.



13E Basketball

Back Row: J.Huong, A.Nam, C.Wang, J.Chin, M.Lam.
Front Row: J.Dong, Y.D.Luo, G.He, H.Zhu, A.Lam.



13F Basketball Back Row: K.Lin, T.Nguyen, B.Nguyen, Y.Liu. Front Row: C.Huang, M.Nguyen, A.Jiang, K.Huang.

Tennis



First Grade Tennis Sack Row: D.Trang, M.Tuanait.

Back Row: D.Trang, M.Tugnait. **Front Row:** G.Panas, A.Abdollahi, Dr K.A.Jaggar (Principal), P.Rynsaardt, F.Zhang.

First Grade Tennis

Tennis has been an extremely successful sport at High in recent years and the team was looking to forward to being competitive in the upcoming 2009/2010 season. With new M.I.C and Coach David Deep and the implementation of a new, more rigorous training program players were required to attend a sprints session and two weights sessions in addition to the three tennis sessions during the week. This initiative led to improvements in the team's overall fitness and hence our ability to perform on game day.

Heading into the first week of trials, a relatively inexperienced first grade team came up against defending champions Kings. The rubber was to prove a difficult affair, with High beaten convincingly 12-0, however there were some encouraging signs and many valuable lessons were learnt. The final rubber of trials was against our archnemesis, Grammar. Perhaps, with a point to prove, and increasing confidence and ability High came out firing and with some superb performances, defeated Grammar 8-4. This result gave us great confidence heading into the first round of the season and showed how far the team had come since the first round loss to Kings.

The season began with an away match at St. Josephs, after the first round was rained out, and High were optimistic about their chances having had a solid preparation during the holiday break. High played some solid tennis and were unlucky to lose the number two doubles match, going down 10-8 in the super tie-breaker. Frank put on a great performance, coming back from a set down, to win 6-4 in the third set. Although High played some great tennis with four of the six singles matches going to three sets, we went down 10.5-1.5. High's next opponent was Kings. Having come off the trials undefeated, they were definitely the team to beat, and a great measure of where our team needed to be. High started off in a positive manner, and were extremely unlucky to go down 10-8 in the number one doubles. High played exceptional tennis at times pushing three of the six singles matches to three sets, but in truth, Kings were the better team on the day and displayed the killer instinct. Although disappointing, many positives were taken from the rubber against Kings, as High went up against traditional strongholds, St. Ignatius. The day started off on a disappointing note as High lost all three doubles matches, the third being 10-4 in the super tie-breaker, however the team fought back well in the singles, with George, Derek and myself all getting wins. Derek played some blistering tennis, winning his match in style, 6-1 6-2 while George hung in there against tough opposition to take the third set 6-3. Frank was highly not get a win, having taken the first set, as the match was called off due to time constraints.

Having taken heart from this performance, High went up against Shore, confident of being able to take a win. The day started off on almost perfect terms with High winning their number two and three doubles in straight sets, only marred by a loss for the number one doubles 10-4 in the super tiebreaker (after winning the first set 6-0). In the singles, Arman playing at number one, won in three sets, the last set a see-saw affair which he took 7-6. Patrick played some incredible tennis to take his match in straight sets. The last match of the rubber would be the decider, with High and Shore locked at four matches all. With great calm and composure, Frank brought it home with a convincing straight sets victory to land High its first victory of the season and capped off a truly memorable day.

Having come off a sensational victory against Shore, High were looking to continue the run with a victory against Scots. The number one doubles dispatched of their counterparts in straight sets, while the number three doubles were unlucky to go down 14-12 in a miraculous third set super tie-breaker. Arman played controlled tennis to win his match with relative ease in straight sets, while Derek played with great courage and determination to win the match in three sets, the match point a sublime forehand winner. Despite these promising results, High went down 8.5-3.5.

The last rubber of the season saw High face fierce rivals Grammar. High started off in an extremely positive manner with wins to both the number one and two doubles in super tie-breakers, a sign of the experience gained during the season. Both Patrick and George played some excellent tennis to win their singles in straight sets. The highlight of the day, and perhaps the season, however was Derek's singles match, which began with the tie nervously hanging in the balance at four matches all. After losing his concentration and conceding the first set, Derek regathered and displayed his forehand ability, winning the second set 6-3. The ten minute break saw Derek and his opponent, both exhausted, trying to refuel and compose themselves for the

third set. The atmosphere was reminiscent of the Davis Cup with a large crowd gathered to watch the last set unfold. The final set was like two heavy-weight boxers going toe-to-toe, with both players holding serve. At 5-4 15-40 down, with Derek serving to stay alive, his opponent suffered cramps in his legs. After taking a time-out, he made two unforced errors, allowing Derek to tie the match. The match, on a knife-edge, ended in almost bizarre circumstances with the opponent forfeiting the game to go down 6-5 and taking a time-out. The match was a called a draw due to time constraints and the final score saw, High tie with Grammar 6-6.

High finished the season in sixth place, unlucky not to be slightly higher, however with all except myself and Derek to return next year, the future of tennis at High is bright. Arman Abdollahi was selected for the Combined GPS team as number one with Patrick as a reserve, a well deserved achievement for both players, after a great season and both Arman and myself made the CHS Individual State Knockout.

The report would not be complete without a few thankyous. I would like to thank the wonderful

parents for the delicious afternoon teas they prepared throughout the season and their continued support of tennis at High; Dr Jaggar, for his continued commitment and support for High tennis; Mr Pavone, for his help with the organisation of High tennis; and David Deep, the M.I.C and head coach, without whose coaching and support, this season would not have been possible. Lastly, it was a season of ups and downs, but I thoroughly enjoyed it, and congratulations to the team on a successful season!

Mohit Tugnait, Captain

Second Grade Tennis Report

Sydney Boys High School Second Grade Tennis has enjoyed a remarkably successful and enjoyable season. Under the tutelage of new head coach and MIC of tennis David Deep, High 2nds have been guided to a memorable season, finishing 6th of the ladder, an agonisingly half a point behind Sydney Grammar. High seconds experienced a very turbulent trial season, with the team changing drastically before the



Second Grade Tennis Back Row: E.Qiu, L.Day. Front Row: T.Nguyen, F.Li, A.Brokman, D.Ghezelbash.

start of the GPS season. Having not being met with much success, a complete renewal of the team was required including change of attitude and training habits. All opens tennis players were required to attend at least two weights sessions and one sprints session a week on top of three tennis sessions. However, these efforts paid off as High 2nds went on to post one of their best seasons in many years.

The season started off with a rained out rubber against Newington. As disappointing as it was, we netted six valuable points against a very strong opponent. However, High were very eager to play their first GPS rubber. High faced Joeys in the second round of the GPS Competition. Having gone down to Joeys 0-9 in the trial season, High opened its account very strongly, with all three doubles matches going to a third set. However, only one team was able to pull off a win as doubles 2 and doubles 3 were both within one point of winning before going down by two points. High were unable to capitalise in the singles, with only number 5 Thomas Nguyen and number 1 Lachlan Day recording straight sets wins. High were unlucky to go down 3-6 in what could have been a much more successful day.

In the third round, High faced traditional powerhouses The Kings School. On a scorching hot day, High were downed 9-0 by eventual the

eventual champions, however a very gutsy effort by number 1 Lachlan Day was a stand out in an otherwise bleak day as he took his Kings opponent to three sets, frustrating him with his consistency and powerful backcourt game. However, it was not to be as, after a lengthy injury break, the Kings opponent rallied to take the match in the third set 1-6. Round four saw High face Iggies. Having also lost to them 0-9 in the trials. High started off in similar fashion with doubles 1 (Lachlan Day and David Ghezelbash) winning their match in straight sets whilst doubles 3 (Frank Li and Thomas Nguven) were downed in a super tie breaker. However, as the day progressed the outlook became more optimistic as singles 1, 2 and 3 all won their matches, with David Ghezelbash winning a thriller 7-5 6-7 7-6. It was up to number 4 and 6, Edward Qiu and Frank Li respectively, to take out the rubber and provide High 2nds with their first win in five years, however it was not to be as both went down to strong opponents in straight sets. High ended up with 4 valuable points, a vast improvement from the 0-9 loss in the trial season.

Round five, Shore. This bottom of the table clash was very tantalising as High had a genuine chance to claim its first rubber victory in five years. However, there was apprehension as, for the previous two days, the skies had opened and it had



Third to Sixth Grade Tennis

Back Row: J.Saito-Patch, I.Lu, P.Hsiao, S.Salagami, K.Lin, Y.Chan. **Second Row:** S.Chen, D.Dao, R.Lin, P.Simos, L.Lu, J.Mok, M.Deng, P.Lai, K.Cheng. **Front Row:** R.Li, A.Wu, D.McCrea-Steele, C.Wu, G.Garayalde (Captain), D.Li, V.George, J.Tiu, J.Chan. been pouring rain. A 6-6 draw was much less favourable against an opponent we knew we were strong than. On the morning of Saturday, the sixth of March, all members of the High team woke up to be greeted by cloudy skies and a gloomy outlook. All members arrived at 10 o'clock, two hours before the rubber was due to being, ready to squeegee and dry the courts. However, as the day progressed, a miracle was achieved when the clouds cleared and the sky turned blue. The courts were dry and the rubber started. What followed was a memorable day for all members and everyone involved with High 2nds tennis. A similar yet unfamiliar start followed as doubles 1 (Lachlan Day and David Ghezelbash) were defeated in straight sets whilst doubles 2 (Anton Brokman and Edward Oiu) were valiant in their defeat in straight sets. However, doubles 3 (Frank Li and Thomas Nguyen) were able to salvage a point from doubles, taking out their match 6-2 6-3 in clinical fashion. This meant that High needed at least four singles wins to secure a rubber victory. High were on track after Lachlan Day and Thomas Nguyen managed straight sets victories whilst I squandered a 6-1 4-1 lead to eventually win in the third set 6-1 4-6 6-4. The outcome of this rubber now rested on numbers 2 and 3, David Ghezelbash and Anton Brokman. David's match had gone into the third set again and after a very tense set with all members of High 2nds and their associates watching, David closed out the match 6-3 in the third set. At first, it didn't set in, then when we realised we had just won a rubber for the first time in five years it was a scene of jubilation. Whilst Anton lost his match, High took out the rubber 8-4 which meant that we were now ahead of both Shore and Joeys in the ladder.

Buoyed by this win, High went to face Scots in high spirits, no pun intended. With a team change, first grade no. 6 Frank Zhang was now second grade no.1, having swapped positions with Lachlan Day. Frank was definitely a valuable asset, winning three out of his four games for seconds. The Scots rubber, again, began in similar fashion with doubles 1 (Frank Zhang and David Ghezelbash) winning in straight sets 6-4 6-2. A tough effort by doubles 3 (Frank Li and Thomas Nguyen) was not enough as we went down 6-4 6-4. However, the day slowly went downhill as Frank Zhang, the inspiration of our team, was downed in his singles match by an undefeated opponent 6-2 6-3. Number 3 Edward Qiu and number 5 Frank Li were both unlucky to lose their matches in three sets. Having fought back from a set down, a hamstring injury deeply hampered my game as I went on to lose the third set 6-1. Edward took his first set 6-4 after playing brilliant tennis, penetrating forehands sending his opponent scampering around the court. However, his opponents' resilience and consistency eventually showed as Edward lost the last two sets 2-6 2-6. With another consolation half a point from David Ghezelbash's draw (6-1 0-6 2-0) due to the torrential downpour that came moments before the official conclusion of the rubber, High only took a measley 1.5 points going into the final showdown against rivals Sydney Grammar.

Round seven, the penultimate showdown with our rivals was the last match Edward Qiu and I would ever play. The day started off in dissimilar fashion, was we took out two doubles matches, 1 and 2. Frank Zhang would then go on to dominate his opponent; his amazing control over the fall was met with little to no resistance by the Grammar no.1. David Ghezelbash ended his run of undefeated singles matches by going down in straight sets whilst I lost in a similar fashion. However, Thomas Nguyen recorded a singles win whilst Edward Qiu notched up his first doubles and singles wins, both on the same day. With Edward's win bringing us over the line, we needed Anton to win his match in order to leapfrog Grammar on the ladder and potentially come 5th. However, at 5:25pm and with Anton 5-0 up in the third set, the Grammar no.3 decides that he won't play and simply sits on the bench whilst changing ends, hoping to run the clock down so Grammar could secure a draw and defeat us on the ladder. With everyone shouting at him to continue, he eventually resumes play minutes after he sat down. Still stalling, the Grammar opponent won the game and in the end the score was 7-6 4-6 5-1 unfinished, with Sydney Grammar beating us by 0.5 points on the ladder. This cost Anton the opportunity to help us over the line against Grammar, however he played a tremendous game and surely deserved the win.

The team at the conclusion of the season is as follows:

Frank Zhang
 David Ghezelbash
 Anton Brokman
 Edward Qiu
 Frank Li
 Homas Nguyen

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the parents and family members of all the players, especially Bing and John, who turned out to support us, parents and plays for taking the time to make the delicious food for our home games, our head coach Dave Deep as well as our 2nds coach Rob for making this a memorable season. Special mention and thank you to Albert Nguyen (11R) who volunteered to fill in for us when we were one short at the Newington game and secured us the draw.

Frank Li

Third - Sixth Grade Tennis

At the beginning of the season, third to sixth grade were facing multiple obstacles. The added burden of senior academic life, the disparity between the funding and extensive coaching of the private schools, and a lack of depth meant grade tennis was handicapped from the very beginning. Despite this, the core group of consistent Saturday players meant High held its own. Highlights included the floury of wins in fifth grade and sixth grade near the end of the season, a clear indication that improvement was had, and a great reward for those who continually turned up. Third grade managed to pull off a win against traditional powerhouses Shore (4-2), a demonstration that High will forever be competitive. All year 12's should be thanked for

their continual commitment to sport in spite of hectic schedules. As the year 12's leave, it should be known that High tennis will be left in good hands. In particular, most valuable player Vivin George had a stand out season with multiple wins in the tough third grade number one position. At the end of the season, thanks from all those who played must go to Mr Boros. His organisational skills and endearing presence on Wednesdays and Saturdays make grade tennis what it is.

Justin Chan

16 Years Tennis

In our tennis season this year, despite a mixed set of results, our skills have improved greatly. The A's and B's have been able to compete well against formidable opponents such as Sydney Grammar and Scots College. In the As and Bs, Kevin Krahe and Chun Ho have both impressed us with their tennis abilities and consistency, continuing to play in good form over the season.

Our most improved players have to be Yiwei Han and David Truong, who have continuously astounded us with their rising levels of play on



16 Years Tennis

Back Row: C.Ho, T.Zhang, C.Wan, N.Han, F.Wu, R.Lee. **Front Row:** T.Lau, N.Ly, S.Prakash (Captain), K.Leung, A.Ayalasomayajula.



15 Years Tennis

Back Row: C.Liu, C.Xu, C.York, G.Lee, G.Dzero, A.Stoneham, Y.Shi, T.Chung, N.Lin, D.Mah. Front Row: M.Li, J.Penq, D.Wonq, I.Li, E.Zhanq (Captain), D.Bui, J.Chen, M.Denq, D.Lin.

court. Yiwei Han has been developing his forehand and backhand throughout the whole season. David Truong started as a rookie at the beginning of the season, and has finished with amazing form. He has managed to improve his tennis as a whole, including his serving, volleying, various groundstrokes and athletic ability.

Patrick Krakovsky has also proved to be an awesome all-rounder throughout the tennis season, yielding many nail-biting victories. Even though Tommy Lau has been suffering from lack of form and match practice in the A's team, he continues to improve his strokes every Wednesday training session.

My thanks is extended to our coaches, Head Teacher of Sport Mr. Pavone, the MIC, and everyone who has put their time and effort into the tennis program, including the dedicated parents who drive us to and from games. I would also like to thank the players for putting their time and effort into tennis and competing for our school.

Sooraj Prakash, Captain and A1

14A Tennis

In the beginning of the season we were unfortunately washed out when we were meant to play St Josephs College and Newington College. The first matches occurred when the team played The King's School. All the players displayed a valiant effort on the court and persevered with some significant comebacks in matches such as the A2

doubles match. The A2 pair was down 0-4 but caught up to 4-4 before letting victory slip away by a small margin ending in 4-6. The A1's singles match was extremely tight with many games ending after deuces. The A1 went down 3-6 to a boy who has played for Kings' second grade team. Julian Tang played very good deep balls in his game but unfortunately fell to the opponent. The other two players, Andrew Tayeh and Andrew Cheung, unfortunately lost two because the opponents had luck on their side. Despite all this we knew that we would definitely have a good season.

Week four was against St Ignatius College. The day started with close doubles. The scores were very even although both were losses to us. The single matches went well and the most outstanding match must be Andrew Tayeh's match. He disposed of his opponent 6-1. The rest of the team also played well but could not overcome the tough Ignatians.

In week five we played the Shore school, a school with a large tennis reputation. We were eager to turn the tables on them and win some of our games. Unfortunately both our doubles were beaten soundly due to Shore's extremely good teamwork. Our A1, Joseph Lui skillfully tussled with the opponent, eventually wining 6-5 with style. The other players tried very hard too but the opponents were just too good.

Finally we got to play The Scots College a school that has been a large rival in tennis. The doubles were tight with one of them going down 5-6. This



14 Years Tennis

Back Row: W.Du, M.Xin, G.Kwok, C.Chan, D.Zhang, G.Qin, W.Wu, S.Noronha, J.Garrett, J.Tang. **Front Row:** L.Chen, J.Kuang, A.Hassan, J.Lui (Captain), R.Arulmuruqan, K.Zhang, A.Tayeh, B.Hancox.

fired up our confidence in the singles. We recorded two wins in the single matches, Joseph Lui used his confidence and skill to topple the opponent 6-2. Julian Tang used his powerful shots to cause the opponent to falter and make numerous errors. Julian took victory at 6-4. Andrew hit consistently against the opponent but could not claim a win. Jet was still suffering from an injury and could not win.

The final week was against Sydney Grammar School. We were determined to play well against this school in our final matches for the season. We played well but we were not able to defeat them overall. A number of matches included tiebreakers which we unfortunately could not take.

Overall, the entire team has improved tremendously and our confidence and skill have risen to a higher level. The team is looking forward to represent the school again next season.

Team: Joseph Lui, Andrew Tayeh, Julian Tang and Jet Gill-Lee

Joseph Lui A1

13 Years Tennis

As the new recruits of High Tennis 2010, we were determined to bring forth excellent results to the school. At our first of year of tennis, we were lucky to be under a new Head Coach, Mr David Deep and his other assistant coaches. Thirteen Years Tennis was assigned under Coach Son Ly, and we were all happy to have him as our Coach – Son Ly was encouraging and helpful. With our weekly training, we improved under Son Ly's watchful eye and soon, with confidence and spirit, were ready for the Saturday competition.

Most of our matches were located at home, which were the Moore Park Tennis Courts. Our other matches were at St Joseph's College and at Weigall Tennis Courts (Sydney Grammar). The start of our tennis season was unfortunate, with rain cancelling our first two matches, which were against Newington College and St Joseph's College. However, the rain did not dampen our spirits and we were looking forward towards the following matches.

Our first match was at home ground and we played against The King's School on a bright, sunny day. I think that we were all nervous on our very first day because the end result was a loss to Sydney High. That fired us up and we were eager for the next Saturday match. Although Thirteen Years Tennis did not win any of our games, our tennis skills have sharply risen. Our C's and D's are having longer rallies and their strokes are more built and powerful. The B's are becoming tougher to beat and our opponents definitely went through a workout playing against them. The A's strokes have developed incredibly and our serves are more consistent and stronger than ever. Thirteen Years Tennis' doubles matches are going well – we're all working with teamwork, and frustrating our opponents. At the end of the season, through determination and hope, our team pulled off with a few wins and great rallies. Gary Chen, one of our B's had an exciting rally against St Ignatius's College, trying hard and coming back from 1-5 to 4-6. Our D team was having fantastic rallies, especially Kevin Jin who was playing at his best against Sydney Grammar, Julian Vo, from the A team was at peak against Sydney Grammar but unfortunately lost because the opponent had a killer serve. In the same game, Jason Jung won a thrilling game to set the score at 6-3!

We could not have come this far if our Coach Son Ly had not firmly put a grip onto our tennis training and coached us until we fell to the ground, exhausted. Son Ly spent his own time training us even further on Monday mornings, when the sunlight has barely revealed itself. On behalf of our team I would like to thank our Coach Son Ly for making such an effort to turn us into star tennis players. We would also like to thank the teachers who accompanied us to tennis training and our Head Coach, David Deep.

Though we have not won any games, I reckoned we have won something. We have won the skill to encourage each other, play our best to the end and never give up. Thank you to you all for playing tennis at SBHS and I hope to see you next season! Go High!

Bosco Tran, Captain and A1

13Ds Captain's Report

This season, 13Ds did extremely well and improved out of sight. On our first game, the pre-season trial game against Newington, we tried our hardest. Being our first game, and our lack of experience, the score ended as 12-0 Newington's way. After discovering the goalkeeping skill in Rolland, and the effort Sam, our coach, put into coaching us, we started working our way through the competition, but even though we lost most of them, it was obvious we were improving after each match, even scoring two goals a game, made by Sheng An and Shane. But our highlight of the winter season was

our win against St Iggies. Sheng An shot but the ball bounced off the goalpost. The Iggies goalie swandived onto the ball, but accidentally pushed it into their own goal, making the score 1-0 our way. But our last game, against Sydney Grammar, was the one we were looking forward to the most. Everyone in our team was filled with energy, looking forward to thrashing Grammar, It started out well, with great teamwork, but then it started getting messy when Grammar started scoring. The defence were suddenly all over the place, leaving Daniel as the only one in his post. The others couldn't get back into place guick enough before Grammar scored again. We did an excellent job of keeping Grammar as far away from our goal as possible after that, but we couldn't catch up to them before the game ended with the score of 4-0 our loss. We were all disappointed that we couldn't win more games, but overall we had a lot of fun playing in this GPS season. We enjoyed the teamwork, the fun we had working together to score or to keep the opponent at bay. I'd like to thank Sam deeply for his awesome coaching that made us improve a lot, and the parents who took time off their daily schedules to take their awesome kids to games, even when it's really far away, and their support. I thank every member of the team for their effort in the games. Every one of them made winning or scoring possible. Thanks Mr Gifford for organising the season. Rolland, our superb goalie, had saved us from countless goals, and thanks to him, we had prevented anymore losses. He is the most valuable player in the team. Sheng An scored a total of 3 goals in the season, making him the top scorer in the team. Thanks everyone!

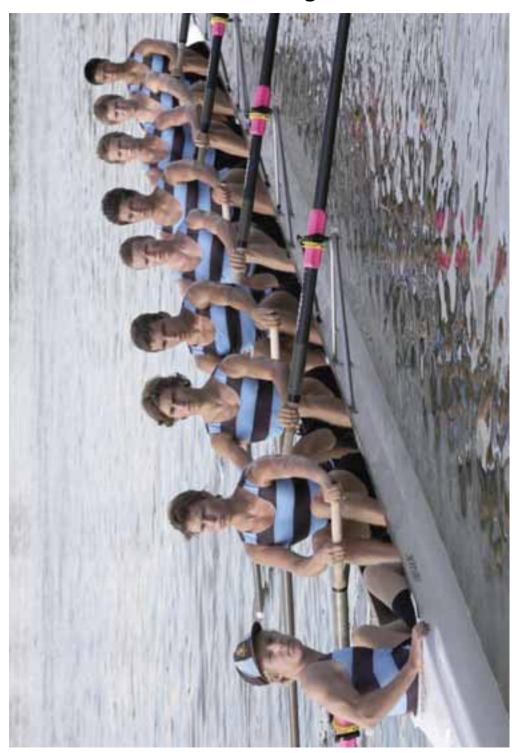
Matthew Ng, Captain



13 Years Tennis

Back Row: D.Chen, R.Hao, J.Lian, K.Ni, V.Gao, C.Zhou, J.Jung, L.Mah, K.Chen, D.Chiang, J.Park. **Front Row:** K.Jin, J.Vo, H.Liu, C.Yang, R.Kawahashi, B.Tran (Captain), T.Jiang, S.Xu, B.Zhuang, G.Chen, B.Deng.

Rowing



First Eight

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Cox: G.Deacon, Stroke: V.Boulavine, 7: M.Ambrose, 6: A.Lazarou, 5: J.Whiting, 4: D.Edgtton, 3: J.Musgrove, 2: A.Blomberg, Bow: D.Chen.

Rowing Assembly

Principal's Address

Special guests, Head of the River crews, coaches, parents, teachers, students. It is a very special rowing assembly for us this year. We have with us the crew of the first IV from 1960. They won the Yaralla Cup. High has experienced some lean times in GPS rowing since then. I am pleased to be able to welcome these distinguished Old Boys to our assembly.

We join together each year before the Head of the River to acknowledge and honour our rowers who are preparing for the biggest event of the year for rowing. I want to thank Oliver Wilson for coaching the first VIII and Simon Hoadley for bringing a fresh perspective to the rowing program and also coaching the second VIII. James Mackay was very busy coaching all the IVs. The Year 10 VIIIs were coached by David Vien, David Luscombe and Chong Shao. Thank you too, Jonathan Adams and Mark Gainford for managing the five crews in the Year 9 Quads. Shahar Merom has done a great job in his first year as coach, working with the Year 8 Quads. Assisting him were: Matthew Ling, Jonothan Le, Robert Chen and Nathan McDonnell. Well done to all our dedicated coaches.

The Rowing program owes a great deal to the efforts of the Rowing Committee, in particular Julie Blomberg, Geoff Andrews, Peter Ambrose and Steve Whiting. Their dedication to the cause and teamwork in implementing Simon's vision to redesign the promotion and presentation of rowing at the Outterside Centre, their great organisation of the inaugural Taree Camp and the smooth running of the High regatta, went way beyond what could be expected of volunteer committee members. The season was complicate by problems with our pontoons and the Rowing Committee rose to the challenge. They gave up their time in maintenance of the southern pontoon and during the most unfortunate sinking of the northern pontoon. Their work helped greatly to keep boating crews on training and racing days. They stuck together wonderfully and made it happen for the boys. I must also thank Cranbrook School Rowing for their generosity in allowing our first VIII to compete in one of their Sykes racing hulls. Psychologically, the crew is primed to row fast.

Goal setting is a very significant aspect of competitive sport. Goals need to be established

within each person or team's zone of proximal development. That is, the goal is within your reach if you strive extra hard to achieve it. The first goal for our rowers at the Head of the River is to better High's long term average time 1999-2009. For all our crews, this is our benchmark of performance and an attainable goal. The second goal is to go for the margin of excellence, set at 5% longer than the winner's time. If you can reach a level of performance that is 95% of the best possible on the day, that would be an excellent row. For the first VIII, goal one is High's long term average of 6:22:48. They bettered this time on Wednesday at 6:21:12 and can do it again tomorrow. Their second goal is 6:14:19, the 5% barrier. The second VIII has a first goal of winner's time + 7.85%. That figure is High's long term average for that event. They can row sub 6:30. The first IV need to row within 8.36% above the winner's time. The second IV has a target of 11.39% and the third IV 12.35%. The first year 10 VIII needs to beat 7.82% and the second Year 10 VIII, 9.58%, I will be judging your performances as High crews against standards set by High rowers before you. Your place in our history should be your prime motivator. If you can do better than that, your proximity to other competitors will give you the adrenalin you need.

I appreciate that things are different on race day. Sometimes crews are worn out by expending their nervous energy in anticipation of their event. On the race course the wind conditions or wash from other competitors will be difficult for our crews battling in outer lanes. Nevertheless, the test of character and crew performance remains constant for all crews. If you can row to your best time or improve on it, that's all we can ask of you and all you need to expect from yourselves. The main competition will be within yourselves - working in unison, coping with the pressure, mastering the race conditions, striving to the end, wherever you finish in the race. High crews have done it before, seven times since 1999. In 2003 all three Year 10 VIIIs rowed within 5% above the winner's time. Be inspired by the occasion and sustained by your self-belief. Congratulations to all crews selected to represent High.

Dr K.A Jaggar

Rowing Assembly Address

Good morning Alan Grover and the 1960 crew, Dr Jaggar, teachers, parents and boys,

2010 has been a season of change for High Rowing.

With Mr Barris standing down after 25 years at the helm, and moving into the DP job, Simon Hoadley has been our newly appointed Head Coach and MIC, and he has guided the Sydney High Rowing Club towards some interesting changes.

The key thing has been rebuilding a culture. All the small changes around the sheds, and the big ones, are designed with the aim of rehabilitating High's competitiveness in the GPS. As part of this the boatshed has seen some fascinating characters, from Robbie Deans, coach of the Australian Rugby Union team, to past Sydney High rowers who come to share some of their wisdom.

As well as the atmosphere changes, we have also worked hard. Really hard.

From back in term 3 when we started fitness and Sunday sessions we have worked on hitting our top level in fitness. Even before the rowing season had officially started we had completed a 3 day camp at the sheds, braving cold rainy conditions. Launching straight away into 2 camps a week in term 4 and combining rigorous on-land training we have completed 10-11 sessions a week in what is as intense a training regime as can be. This included weights training with TJ and cycling with Dan O'Keefe and Mr Aldous.

Into the January break we may have been offered a short breather however the smart trainer would not have been too liberal as our inaugural Taree venture was not too far ahead.

This training and selection camp, on the Manning River near Taree, was introduced this season by Simon. This was a terrific experience – besides the hardest rowing I've ever done in very tough seat racing for selection, it was a full week camping with your mates, dining on gourmet food, going to the beach, rounding up cattle, and picking up some valuable life lessons – what more could you ask for? The Taree camp is one of the most memorable experiences of my life, I really look forward to this becoming a staple in the rowing program.

If you are a student in Year 10 or 11, this should be a serious thing to think about with regards to your sport choice next season – this is truly a great opportunity being offered by the school.

Continuing into Term 1 we did not let up at all, adding 'death weights' and ice-bathing to our program, where you really get to know your crew-mates.

And now as a result of this training we are starting to see some promising results.

This past week at the Schoolboy Head of the River and CHS Championships have been successful too. Throughout the shed we have achieved improved results. We won 6 gold medals, 7 silver, and 7 bronze at the CHS!

Our Year 8 crews have been beating other GPS crews all season. We have appreciated Shahar Merom, recent old boy, taking on the responsibility of the Year 8 crews with unbelievable enthusiasm.

2nd eight have consistently beaten Joeys and the Year 10 Eight are right up in the field, beating heavyweights Shore. The School First Eight too has demonstrated great speed and this has been displayed in the past week out at SIRC. All the crews racing tomorrow have picked up the pace and improvements have been rife, so be excited for tomorrow, as this is essentially payday.

We have to back ourselves – trust in your team mates and in yourself.

Rowers, tomorrow is the day we have worked for. We talked about it last night, and the overriding theme was to be a fighter, so let's embody that as a school tomorrow, that no matter what happens, High will keep fighting.

Boys, this is our opportunity, this is our time, this is our HOTR. This is our choice. Don't accept anything less than 100% commitment from yourself. Don't let the work you've done go to waste, don't let yourself regret a single moment.

Like soldiers going to war, knowing they will be shot at, we too must be ready to face the inevitable – that tomorrow will hurt. However there is nothing that anyone, can do, or anything that can happen tomorrow to make you give less than 100%. Throughout all the chaos remember that it is yourself, and yourself only that is in charge of this. There is no pre-determined law which states that you must give up at a certain point, and there are so many reasons not to.

Maybe it's that we've only got a limited number of opportunities to be a part of something so big, and it's you're choice on how you want to spend it. Do you want to sit back and let others call the shots, or do you want to be involved in the struggle. Do you really want High to achieve success, or would you just like it to happen? Are you satisfied with other school's perceptions of us or do you want more, do you crave respect? Tomorrow is our day – let's not let it go to waste.

To the school, I can tell you that not one person up

on this stage regrets doing rowing, yet I'm sure there are many of you who regret not doing it. Let this be an opportunity for me to appeal to you, for those who are not already committed, to try rowing for a season. It is an amazing completely unique sport in which you'll never get a better chance to compete. Other sports may be great, but there will always be opportunities to play those sports. Rowing is a sport that is very hard to get involved in, being costly, time consuming and unfortunately somewhat unglorified. However here at High we have the opportunity to compete in what is ultimately the most important event on the GPS calendar, the Head of the River. It is the best possible way to have a go at the other GPS schools, as it is the sport they really hold dear.

There is no other schoolboy event like it, 8 crews line up with 6 years of training on the line for a 6 minute race. Belting down the course, huge crowds guide your way into the finish, sometimes reaching 12,000. Like all races it is built up purely on attack, yet it is not a solo event, and teamwork couldn't be more important. It is the ultimate team sport, one in which no one man can raise a crew, yet one weakness, and a crew can be left vulnerable and exposed.

Attendance at most schools is compulsory as it is the single most important event for these schools, and so I urge all High boys in the audience to do the same and support the heritage and tradition upon which this school is founded. The unique mix of athleticism and academics found in this school is dependent upon our participation in the GPS, which in turn is dependent upon our participation in this sporting event, so I cannot stress enough how important it is to support High crews tomorrow. They are essentially ensuring that this foundation retains its spirit and its culture.

Year 12 boys, this will be our last row for High. Five incredible seasons of High rowing will come to an end, our days at the sheds, our training, our racing, our mateship. And sadder still, many of us may never row again. So let's go out and make the most of it and enjoy the experience we have worked so hard for. This is our reward boys.

you have done over the last 8 months, and more than that, your team-mates too. This is what WE have achieved TOGETHER.

There are just 2 more things I would like to mention before I bring up the crews. One is to remind us all, how lucky we are, to be involved in what is truly a great sport. Boys, think about how privileged we are. How many people around the world do you think have the opportunity to be part of something so special? And how slimmer is the number of people who have actually taken this opportunity. We are a part of something that is a once-in-alifetime opportunity, let alone event. How many people have experienced the toil of an early wakeup, yet rejected it? Not just once, but again and again, the easy option. How many times have we experienced that 5am wake-up call, and accepted it again, and again, and taken the physically hard option? For every one of our 40 odd camps this year at least 20 high boys have taken the hard option and placed themselves way out of their comfort zone.

We have gained a discipline and experienced so much that will help us in life to recognise the easy way and the hard way, and take the right option. We are equipped for the real world that waits with the skills necessary for success.

The final thing I'd like to do before calling up the crews is read a short poem that holds significance to me and I think all here, particularly the senior crews should relate to. If you've seen the movie Invictus, it may sound a little familiar, and yes, this is the poem that Nelson Mandela used to get himself through that time in jail. However it holds relevant for anyone who has ever been in a tough situation, felt the bite, and wasn't sure how much longer they could stand. Anyone who has been in a rowing race surely knows what I mean. The 3rd stanza is actually my favourite, and it changes its topic from not just the pain of a tough moment, but 'the horror of the shade' - that is, the comfort that comes after a struggle that so many people cheaply submit themselves to instead of pushing their boundaries. For many of us, after tomorrow, we may never experience something as tough so think of the importance of really doing the damage and enjoy being in a struggle, and the life that it brings. Unfortunately I now have the tough job of trying to upstage Morgan Freeman, but I'll give it a go.

Out of the night that covers me, Black as the pit from pole to pole. I thank whatever Gods may be For my unconquerable soul.

In the fell clutch of circumstance I have not winced nor cried aloud. Under the bludgeonings of chance My head is bloody, but unbowed. Beyond this place of wrath and tears Looms but the horror of the shade, And yet the menace of the years

Finds, and shall find, me unafraid. It matters not how strait the gate, How charged with punishments the scroll. I am the master of my fate; I am the captain of my soul.

I'd like to now introduce to you the 3rd four

Raymond Zhai
 Alan Low
 Steve Cominos
 Sean Martin

2nd Four:

Declan Gorey
 Allan Liao
 Pravin Radhakrishnan
 Bach Trang

Cox: Peter Tran

1st Four:

Chun Wong
 Horen Fang
 Walter Santucci
 Koren Fang
 France Fang

2nd Eight 2010:

Ilya Bonch-Osmolovskiy
 Jonah Petrie
 Eric Ovadia
 Isaac Eveleigh
 Tim Gollan
 Ben Li
 Ryan Caetano
 Max Kite

Cox: Hayden Schilling

I'd like to now introduce to you the !st VIII -

Bow. Dale Chen – Dale's offbeat humour and sophisticated wit are something I look forward to at the sheds. But more importantly Dale has the ability to row himself into the ground in races and on the erg and is perhaps most famous for being the rower closest to actually needing an ambulance after his 2k erg last year. Dale is a man with passion and pride in the school and brings to the boat a fierce desire to improve Sydney Boys in any way possible

- 3. Jack Musgrove Jack has nearly the perfect build of a rower, being about 190cm tall and around 85kg. An aggressive competitor Jack loves the thrill of a challenge and has brought to the boat the skill of using the voice as a motivational tool. He has also made huge improvements to his rowing technique utilising his powerful body.
- 4. Dom Edgetton Dom is the big man of the crew and his power in the boat is matched only by his buoyant enthusiasm around the sheds. Always willing to display his power in any way possible Dom is an explosive unit who can really make the boat move.
- 5. James Whiting James is an integral part of this

crew and perhaps far more important than his rowing prowess is his ability to lift those around him. A committed trainer, James won't accept anything less than 100% from his crew mates and keeps us all from slipping.

- 6. Alex Lazarou Rowing in the 1st four last year Alex has developed into one of the best rowers in the sheds. Heralded as a king of the sport by his crewmates Alex demands respect through his hard aggressive training style and the experience he brings to the crew is an added benefit.
- 7. Michael Ambrose Having competed with Michael in competitive sport since primary school days, we've compiled an impressive list of great sporting moments, and I must say I am very glad to be in this boat with him. He is definitely someone you can count on to be giving his all at critical moments and who won't lose his nerve under pressure.

Stroke. Vlad Boulevaine – Vlad is the man who proves that any weight shortages High may have count for nothing. A lethal weapon in the scull Vlad is able to give his all, right from the start and just keep holding on through the tough parts of a race.

Coxswain. Gareth Deacon – Gareth is a very experienced coxswain – this will be his 5th head of the river – and who has an impressive track record for the event. The fact that Gareth trains with his team mates for land sessions grants him a lot of respect from the crew and helps us not to turn against him when he tells us to go harder.

The First Eight is coached by Ollie Wilson. Ollie defines the term commitment with regards to coaching and right back from the very start (and probably before) has been there cultivating our growth and fitness. His consistent approach to training has ensured that all the rowers in the boat make the important changes resulting in boatspeed, rather than majoring in the minors. As a result the First Eight is brimming with potential and I eagerly anticipate the next few races as we see this speed unleashed. Ollie has unrivalled faith in the crew and has never let us hang our heads down and so I'd like to thanks him for 8 months of continued effort and the consistent improvement we have picked up as a result.

With myself as two man, I present to you the First Eight of 2010.

Andrew Blomberg

Second VIII

The 2010 rowing season has been a promising glimpse of how powerful rowing at High can be and how, with patience and practice, we can become a real threat in the GPS. In 2010 the Second VIII had a great season; the crew contained some of the most dedicated rowers, and all of them were ready to pour their time and energy into each and every training session and race.

It became obvious at the beginning of the season that the struggle to become a member of the High Senior VIII's was going to come down to the wire. Mix'n'match crews, ergometer testing, sculling races, fitness runs, weights sessions and many onwater sessions prior to Christmas provided a heap of raw data for the coaches to play with when the SBHS senior rowers took their boats and their camping equipment up to Taree, for the first annual Selections Camp.

Taree was an adventure where what must have been hundreds (it felt like millions) of kilometres were rowed, and many memorable moments created, such as the preliminary 2nd VIII's trip around the island, where we lost our keel halfway round and ended up dragging the coaches tinny the final quarter of the trip. As well as several epic power

strokes battles between the senior crews and the fantastic food. The camp was, ultimately, a major hit with all adult and student participants.

When all of the gruelling selections tests were completed, from the boiling field at the Croker Oar Factory emerged a solid group of eight young men ready and willing to push themselves, each-other and the other senior SBHS crews to the limit. Coached by the radical Mr Simon Hoadley, who had recently transferred from a rival GPS school, the SBHS 2nd VIII was going to push past the tin shed and enter every race with the intention of putting up a strong fight.

Regular weekly camps, weights and cross-training sessions kept everyone fit and ready for the racing cycle of the GPS season to begin. The boat was soon flying along, sometimes rivalling the speeds produced by the 1st VIII. With only three year twelve members the relatively young 2nd VIII put up strong results on the board at every regatta, a fact that was noticed by several members of the GPS rowing community who commented on the power and aggression that a High crew was bringing to their races. Spurred on by praise and solid results, our goals soon shifted from merely competing, to pushing for places in both heats and finals.



Second Eight

Cox: H.Schilling, Stroke: M.Kite, 7: R.Caetano, 6: B.Lee, 5: T.Gollan, 4: I.Eveleigh, 3: E.Ovadia, 2: J.Petrie, Bow: I.Bonch-Osmolovskiy

In the final races leading up to the 2010 GPS Head of the River, our tight knit crew was prepared to give it all to beat rival schools and show them that High will never give up. Promising results in the Gold Cup, where we were within 10 seconds of a podium finish, brought us into our final weeks. The NSW Schoolboy Head of the river saw a fierce clash with our own 1st VIII and a strong Cranbrook crew, where we lost out to the 1st VIII, but pulled a fantastic last 500m of the course to conquer our non-GPS rivals. The midweek CHS Championships gave everyone a smile and a taste of a medal with several of them being gold.

The GPS Head of the River is never a dull event. As the race began we blasted to a magnificent start and level with 1st place for all of 300m, before there was a red flag raised and the officials boats stopped the race from going any further. Sent back to the start of the course there was enormous tension as each crew struggled to understand what had just happened and re-steeled themselves for a fresh start. An unspectacular but solid start saw us begin the race in hot pursuit of our closest rivals St Josephs. Pulling three seconds ahead in the second quarter of the race, we couldn't let our concentration slip for an instant. A magnificent call and guite simply the most perfectly executed push of the season rocketed us closer to the placing we craved. (Later we saw that our third 500m was the fastest in both the 1st and 2nd VIII races, with a time of 1:31.24) To our dismay, our boat clipped a few buoys in the last guarter of the race and as the energy and technique started to fade, we mustered the last of our strength and threw ourselves over the finish line a solid five seconds ahead of Joeys. Almost fainting with the effort, we cheered the other crews and made our way around to the practice lake, to a coach bursting with pride and school crowd ecstatic for our triumph over another GPS crew.

The Second VIII of 2010, through perseverance and a great attitude towards hard work and rowing, rounded off a great season at the GPS Head of the River as the fastest High crew of the day.

In the small cramped seat of the Jaggar sat Hayden Shilling our coxswain. A prefect of the school, perfectly suited to the leadership role that his school demanded. A hardworking wordsmith, who always pushed for, and got, the best from his fellow crewmembers. Hayden moved into the 2010 season an experienced fours cox and stepped up into the bigger boats in the role of 2nd VIII's navigator. His precision commands, perfectly timed pushes and

ability to deftly manoeuvre into a prime position both in training runs and in races definitely played an important part in the crews dynamic. He will be sorely missed at the SBHS sheds.

The strongest student in the sheds and probably the school, with a devastating 2km erg time of 6:19, Maximillian Kite took up the mantle of Stroke in the 2010 2nd VIII. Larger than life, Max's laidback attitude on-land sometimes got him into trouble which he wriggled out of with a grin and a smooth tongue. Seemingly careless with his size he was often found stacking bunk beds on top of one another or moving lockers around. When he wasn't on the phone. He was a dedicated leader who pushed each member of the crew individually with a shout or two when he felt that things had got too quiet, but he treated every teammate like a brother offering support and advice whenever necessary. He was selected to participate at the AIS in an NTID camp, and currently rows out of Sydney Rowing Club in their Talent Advancement Program. He will be missed around the school.

Making up the second half of the 2010 2nd VIII stroke pair, Ryan Caetano in the 7 seat cut a lean figure next to his strokes bulk. A strong contender for the top boat throughout the season he was a ferocious trainer with a wild taste in music and sports. Ryan was always ready to do his part whether it was unloading the boats or pushing out a few hundred power strokes he exceeded all expectations of his lightweight frame proving the age old adage that "size isn't everything". A year 11 with so much promise, he looks destined to take both the soccer and rowing seasons in 2011 head on. Watch out for Rizza.

A calming influence on the team when things got out of control, both on-land and in the boat, Benjamin Li was the 6 seat of the 2010 2nd VIII. An unconditional worrier with his heart in the right place Ben brought a great amount of strength to the boat and an unfaltering technique, with wicked fast catches and a perfect posture. Ben's academic ability was only surpassed by his excellent attitude towards training, and his strong body that was put through its paces weekly in the High Gym. Ben has finished his final year of rowing at Sydney High and looks forward to dominating the HSC.

A youngster with a bright future in sport as well as an academic mastermind Tim Gollan was a great asset to the 2010 2nd VIII in the 5 seat. Destined for the top boat this season, Tim cruelly missed out on the selection camp at Taree and was never able to move up to the top boat. His misfortune was used to the 2nd VIII's advantage, however, and his excellent technique and strong character helped form the core of the boat. His hard work and close bond with fellow teammates, and his ability to focus on the task at hand made him irreplaceable. Looking forward, Tim seems destined for both academic and sporting greatness, hopefully in the 2011 season he will take up the spot he rightfully earned this year.

A young man with flaming red hair, Isaac Eveleigh was a driving force in 4 seat for the 2010 2nd VIII. A very tall rower with incredibly strong legs, Issac was able to light a flame in the teams hearts as he threw his body into his work. A very dedicated trainer with a solid erg time, Issac looks set to compete for a spot in the senior eight next year. A strong hearted person with a kind personality, he was never seen without his jellybeans or his bottle of cordial, ready for a sugar boost. The High sheds have high hopes for this fiery young man in seasons to come.

The third and youngest "biggie" in the High sheds, Eric Ovadia took his place in the 3 seat of the 2010 2nd VIII, and no amount of competition for his hard earned place could bump his strong body from the team. One of the nicest people around Eric was a comedy goldmine, along with his partners in crime his brilliant impersonation of Bear Grylls was just what was needed to lighten the mood when the 2nd VIII stopped for a break. Eric's continually improving fitness and great attitude towards training makes him a hot pick for next season, along with this his 2km erg time is something to be reckoned with.

Though not as tall as some of the others in the boat, Jonah Petrie certainly made up for any perceived loss in power by being one of the most dedicated and most hardworking rowers ever to grace the High Sheds, he sat in the 2 seat for the 2nd VIII's 2010 season. Jonah's great character helped him through this seasons gruelling challenges both on-land and during our water sessions. He took any light hearted jibes extraordinarily well and Jonah was never distracted from the task at hand despite everyone's best effort to the contrary. His love for rowing and sport in general is evident in his strong swimmers body and he is most definitely in contention for a seat in the top boat in 2011 where he can reign supreme.

The opposite end of the weight spectrum to the Stroke, Illya Bonch-Osmolovskiy is the proof that with hard training and constant perseverance anything is possible. Illya was a dynamo in the Bow of the Jagger for the 2nd VIII's 2010 season. A slightly

late bloomer in terms of technique, but he put in 110% to every session, every day of every week and reaped the rewards. Beloved by the team as our resident Russian, his passion for rowing will take Illya further than anyone can tell. A strong body, and a focused mind will put Illya in prime position for the 2011 season, with some offseason training and a few kinks in his technique ironed out, nothing is going to stop him. Be on the lookout for the Bonch! This season, has been brilliant in every aspect. A

This season, has been brilliant in every aspect. A strong, close, hardworking team, a slightly mad, pizza rolling, proud Kiwi coach (and a new dad), an absolute beast of a boat (once we overhauled it) and an unquestionably unforgettable time. I will always hold a place in my heart and mind for High rowing, and I hope to see it take off in future years. No ex-High Boy can ever forget the experience of chanting, screaming and letting your emotions run wild. Letting everyone know exactly what the Boats-man at Abbotsford once said to me, and letting people know just how much we love you High school, we do.

My short three years at this fantastic institution has utterly changed my life and I know that future generations of rowers, rugby players and athletes all with academic potential will continue to pass through its hallowed halls and sing the famous School Song. Good Luck to every single one of them.

Maximillian Kite, 2010

First IV Report

This season has certainly been one of the most intense and different seasons. With Mr Barris retiring from the position of MIC of rowing after 25 years, Simon Hoadley, the former Scots Second VIII coach, took up the position and introduced many changes to the old rowing program including the merging of A Group (Opens VIIIs) and B Group (Opens IVs) into the GPS Group and the introduction of bikes for Wednesday afternoon training. He also introduced more training sessions, totalling to around eleven per week. Throughout Term 4, the GPS group trained mainly in VIIIs and had selections every two weeks based on different criteria, from running to weights. In the summer holidays, the GPS Group experienced one of the most gruelling weeks of the season: the Taree Selection Camp. This consisted of two to three days of seat racing in IVs over a 1km course, with the rest of the week spent refining the crews. One of the highlights of the camp was the IV rowing around the island we were camping on (around 30km).



First Four
Cox: B.Jian, Stroke: K.Fang, 3: L.Lou, 2: W.Santucci, Bow: C.Wong.

The First IV consisted of Koren Fang (Stroke), Leo Lu (3), Allen Liao (2), Chun Wong (Bow) and Brian Jian (Cox). This crew managed to stay together for about two weeks with somewhat disappointing results. After that, the crews kept changing constantly due to issues such as people being sick. As such, no First IV crew rowed together for over two regattas this season. Towards the end of the season, things started to settle down more and the First IV started to realise their potential.

The Shore Regatta (one week before Head of the River) was quite an emotional day because we had been allowed to row in the Luscombe (the First IV boat for the past few years) for the regatta. The Luscombe had a run of bad luck this season through not having a keel at the beginning of the season and later the two seater rigor broke. Unfortunately the boat couldn't be rowed in until the Shore Regatta. On our way back from our practice row before the regatta, the Fourth IV from St Joseph's crashed their bow right into the side of our boat, leaving it destroyed. Luckily no one was hurt but the boat was seriously damaged and we knew that there was no way it could be rowed in the Head of the River, if at all. Luckily, we managed to borrow the Sydney Girls IVs for the Head of the River, thanks to Chun Wong. The crews were finalised after the Shore Regatta with First IV as follows:

Stroke: Koren Fang

3 Seat: Leo Lu – Bringing power to the boat, with a great attitude in races. L

2 Seat: Walter Santucci – Another strong rower, Walter is always able to squeeze out that little bit extra throughout the race.

Bow: Chun Wong – A new addition to the sheds this year, Chun has proved a great rower with his technique.

Coxswain: Brian Jian – Brian manages to find the right words during races to keep us going.

Coach: James Mackay – Having coached the Year 10 VIIIs for most of the season, he slowly transitioned over to coaching the IVs during the middle of the racing season. He has done a great job in coaching us and helping us find the right frame of mind for our races.

Our performance during the Shore Regatta showed us that we were able to keep us with the other crews for a majority of the race. Our results at NSW Schoolboys the next day showed that we had improved on our last time at SIRC by fifteen seconds and while we still had more to gain, we knew we would be able to give the other schools a good challenge come Head of the River day.



Second Four

Cox: P.Tran, Stroke: A.Liao, 3: P.Radhakrishnan, 2: B.Trang, Bow: D.Gorey.

Head of the River was a great experience, with our race going quite well. We started off last, but managed to gain two positions into sixth place by the 1000m mark, and climb another place into fifth at the 1500m mark. However, we died a bit in the last 500m, slipping to positions to place a solid seventh, only a few seconds behind sixth. Having a fair idea of what we came, we were ecstatic for what was the best race we have had all season.

I would like to thank everyone that has coached us and all the parents for their amazing effort and support throughout this season. It has been great to have been able to row with everyone this season and it has certainly been one of the most fun and exciting seasons.

Koren Fang, Stroke 1st IV

Third IV Report

From the onset, the Sydney High School Third IV 2009/10 was a crew destined for glory. From its initiation only 13 days from the Head of the River, it epitomised the new culture of self-belief and daring within the High sheds, expending an incredible volume of effort to overcome its lack of experience. A motley crew consisting of two part-time rowers, a hardcore tourist and two juniors, we were lumped

onto Old Boy coach Shahar Merom who was given the unenviable task of transforming us into a cohesive rowing unit. To this end he was successful and it is with a measure of pride that I recall that in our fourth session as a crew (and Steve's third with sweep oar) we completed a 2km SIRC race only 5 seconds off the vastly more experienced Third IV of 2008/9.

The 3rd IV 2009/10 is as follows:

Cox – Daniel Tam. The small boy with the monster voice. A determined and humorous personality.

Bow – Sean Martin, an invaluable and dependable crew member.

Two – Raymond Zhai. Raymond's extensive experience in the stroke seat added an immediate (and often higher-rating) response.

Three – Steve Cominos. Steve added a dimension of sheer power to the boat which more than made up for his lack of experience in sweep oar.

Stroke - Alan Low.

I would like to thank MIC Simon Hoadley, our esteemed coach Shahar Merom who gave us the courage and the drive to believe in ourselves and take this opportunity to recognise the efforts of the rowing mothers and fathers who have made the



Third FourStroke: A.Low, 3: S.Comninos, 2: R.Zhai, Bow: S.Martin. Cox: D.Tam.



Cox: C.Zhang, Stroke: M.Jones, 7: B.Wilcox, 6: T.Montanaro, 5: D.Andrews, 4: K-Y.Wong, 3: A.Purcal, 2: H.Yu, Bow: A.Fong.



Second Year 10 Eight
Bow: T.Chen, 2: M.Schwarz, 3: S.Fletcher, 4: J.Edgtton, 5: S.Marques, 6: T.Ling, 7: T.Iyer, Stroke: S.Pak, Cox: R.Hua.



First Year 9 Quad Scull
Cox: D.Tam, Bow: B.Deng, 2: J.Wang, 3: D.Tran, Stroke: E.Li.



Second Year Nine Quad ScullBow: K.Yu, 2: J-H.Cho, 3: R.Tran, Stroke: A.Chan, Cox: T.Collier.



Third Year Nine Quad ScullBow: K.Pan, 2: A.Feng, 3: G.Chen, Stroke: E.Luu, Cox: A.Chau.



Fourth Year Nine Quad Scull Bow: H.Rabone, 2: N.Tana, 3: A.Pereira, Stroke: A.Bui, Cox: H.Zhu.

Sheds the best place to be for the last 6 years.

Finally to my fellow crew mates, thank you for putting up with me and my strange habits for so long. It was a pleasure and honour to row with you all and I wish you future success in the seasons ahead.

Alan Low

Year 8 First Quad

The year 8 first quad had a successful season, with all of us achieving many personal goals. Unfortunately in terms of results we did not live up to our potential but we improved our times greatly from the start of the season to the end. Though our training sessions were very difficult, with nearly all of us being unable to stand after them, the crew stuck it out and by the end of the season we were a very fit crew. Many thanks to Shahar for always being there and doing such a fine job. Thanks must also go to Geoff Andrews, Julie Blomberg, and the many other parents working behind the scenes to make sure that the Rowing program flowed as smoothly as it did, waking up early and slaving over a hot barbeque to make sure we had Burgers to eat after training, organizing regattas and so on. We are hoping for a more successful 10/11 season.

Steve Comninos

Year 8 Fourth Quad

It has been a long, tiring yet very enjoyable season for the members of the year 8 fourth quad. The final team for us was Brendan Kong at the bow-seat, Soloman Saleh at two-man, Harrison Xu at threeman, myself at Stroke-seat and Terry Fong as the coxswain. Although we haven't had much success with our races, the large amount of help from various coaches such as Anton, Jono, Rob and Shahar has led to a large improvement throughout the season which we have all noticed. I think we would all agree that the longest, most tiring but also most accomplishing row was when we rowed over 25 kilometres to Lane Cove National Park. Great job this year boys.

Michael Hughes

Year 8 Fifth Quad

The 2009/2010 season was without a doubt a really hard one for 5th Quad as it was our first ever season of rowing. In our first regatta we were totally obliterated by all the other crews as we got a time of 6:40. However, we persevered and kept on training as hard as we could, pushing ourselves to the utter limit at every training session.



Fifth Year Nine Quad Scull
Bow: K.Li, 2: J.Lu, 3: S.Guo, Stroke: P.Chen, Cox: J.Lam.



First Year Eight Quad Scull Bow: B.Guan, 2: R.Yi, 3: R.Fang, Stroke: S.Comninos, Cox: J.Lane.

At our home regatta even though we came last we got a time of 5:04 which represented a one minute and thirty six second improvement! With this new time we beat 4th quad by 25 seconds and 3rd quad by 6 seconds. We looked at this great achievement and said to ourselves we can do better than this if we keep on training. And we did.

We were absolutely determined to win at the Riverview Gold Cup and our determination and hard work paid off as we came 3rd out of 4 crews in the race, beating Kings by a boat length and almost drawing with St Ignatius.

At the last regatta of the season we were extremely happy with our progress throughout the whole season and really wanted to make this last regatta count. Even though we came last in this race we gave it our all and ended up achieving a time of 4:17! This meant that we beat our personal best by 53 seconds. Overall 5th quad had a very good season.

I would like to thank Robbie Chen on behalf of my crew for coaching us over the season with such spirit and encouragement. His effort helped us all in achieving our desired goals that we set up at the beginning of the season.

The Year Eight 5th Quad consists of:

Bow: Jemy Ma is a tireless rower with s seemingly infinite energy who always tries his hardest in every single race...

2 Man: Brandon Vu is a happy, strong rower who loves a challenge and puts in his all in ever race.

3 Man: Robert Tan is one of the biggest guys in Year 8 rowing. He is also the powerhouse in our boat and always loves a challenge.

Stroke: Andrew Zhang.

Cox: Bob Guo is a happy, energetic little bloke who tries to scream his head off in all the races he attends. He also knows how to push us to our limits in every single race. He brings a feeling of hope to our hearts as we are driving through that barrier of pain.

Overall its has been a great season fr 5th quad and we are all looking forward to Year 9 rowing.

Andrew Zhang



Second Year Eight Quad ScullBow: A.Tran, 2: A.Rong, 3: S.Lin, Stroke: C.Wang, Cox: A.Xing.



Third Year Eight Quad ScullBow: P.Sim, 2: K.Liu, 3: B.Zhou, Stroke: K.Lau, Cox: K.Liu.



Fourth Year Eight Quad Scull
Bow: B.Kong, 2: S.Saleh, 3: H.Xu, Stroke: M.Hughes, Cox: T.Fong.



Fifth Year Eight Quad Scull Bow: J.Ma, 2: B.Vu, 3: R.Tran, Stroke: A.Zhang, Cox: R.Guo.



Sixth Year Eight Quad Scull
Bow: C.Chen, 2: A.Yuan, 3: D.Tran, Stroke: P.Choi, Cox: R.Ly.

Swimming



Swimming Team

Back Row: H.Feng, B.Trang, J.Suh, B.Wilcox, S.Pak, K.Gunaratne.

Front Row: J.Dobrowolski, D.C.Chen, J.Musgrove (Captain), Mr P.Loizou (MIC), M.Chien (Vice Captain), Y.Man, K.Robinson. Second Row: D.Mah, E.Mehmedbasic, D.Luo, C.Wong, H.Schilling, R.Zhai.

Swimming Highlights GPS Carnival 1 – Newington

The 1st GPS preliminary carnival was held on Friday, Week 1 Term 1, at Newington College Stanmore. We were able to field a full strength swim team led by our captain Jack Musgrove and vice captain Max Chien. As it was the start of the season most of our swimmers were a little rusty. I am hopeful that with further training our overall performance should improve from last year. We welcome to the team Darren Chien, (Max's Younger brother), Kazuo Nakamura, James Tinker, Kevin Robinson, James Hoad, Eugene Lee, Leonard Mah, (Dominic's younger brother) and Jeremy Dobrowolski. Our most notable performer on the night was Ennes Mehmedbasic

who took out the 50m breaststroke. Other strong performances were displayed by Jack Musgrove, Ben Wilcox, Leonard Mah and the Senior relay team.

School Swimming Carnival

The school swimming carnival was held on Monday 8thrd February at Des Renford Pool, Maroubra. The threat of storms, an overcast day and the unpredictable weather did not hinder attendance with over 800 boys attending the carnival. It was great to see so many boys participating in so many events. This year, we have discovered some extra ordinary talent with many school records broken. All results/records can be viewed on the school website listed below: In Summary House points and age champions are are as follows:

Overall Statistical Summary - Ordered by Grand Total

PLACE	TEAM	TOTAL	EXTRAS	GRAND TOT.	% TOTAL
1	Eedy	295	142	437	0
2	Rubie	200	128	328	0
3	Fairland	140	180	320	0
4	Torrington	142	131	273	0
5	McKay	94	157	251	0
6	Saxby	97	138	235	0

Age Champions 2010

12 Years - Kazuo Nakamura

13 Years - Leonard Mah

14 Years - Eugene Lee

15 Years - Shaun Pak

16 Years - Max Chien

17+ Years – Jack Musgrove

Congratulations to all participants and age champions.

Record Breakers

Kazuo Nakamura – Record for 12 Years 50m Butterfly, 50m Freestyle, 50m Backstroke, 100m Freestyle

Leonard Mah – Record for 13 Years 50m Freestyle, 50m Backstroke, 100m Freestyle

Eugene Lee – Record for 14 Years 100m Freestyle, 50m Backstroke

GPS Relay

Despite our best efforts, the war cry and school song from the rowers and the rest of the school to encourage our opens relay team, we were unable to overcome a strong Newington relay team who went on to win the GPS invitational relay event. Congratulations to them.

GPS Captains dinner (Shore School)

- Monday night 8th Feb 2010

Congratulations to both Jack Musgrove and Max Chien who represented our school with such pride at the captain's dinner on Monday night. They were both fine ambassadors for the school. Jack's speech impressed the swimming MIC's. In short his speech emphasised the importance of performance, training, never give up attitude and always perform to the best of your ability. A key feature of the speech focussed on High's attitude towards sport which was one of always performing to your best, whether you are first or last. Well done.

Zone Carnival

- 1. SBHS is again the Eastern Zone Champions.
- 2. Apart from SBHS been Zone champions the following boys are also Zone Age Champions :

Age	Boys
12	Kazuo Nakamura (Syd. Boys)
13	Leonard Mah (Syd. Boys)
15	Shaun Pak (Syd. Boys)
16	Max Chien (Syd. Boys)

3. The 6X50 age relay broke the East Zone record with a time of 3:03:42. The team consisted of:

12 Years - Kazuo Nakamura

13 Years – Leonard Mah

14 Years – Eugene Lee

15 Years – Shaun Pak

16 Years - Ben Wilcox

17+ – Jack Musgrove

- 4. Kazuo Nakamura broke the East Zone 12 Years 100m breaststroke with a time of 1:40:22
- 5. Leonard Mah broke the East Zone 13 Years 50m freestyle with a time of 28:72
- 6. Darren Chien broke the East Zone 14 Years 100m breaststroke with a time of 1:23:95
- 7. In GPS 3 at SOPAC Max Chien broke the GPS record for 16's 50m breaststroke swimming it at 33:08
- 8. The Jnr Squad improved dramatically finishing 3rd in the GPS competition.
- 9. The 6X50 age relay finished 4th in the blue ribbon event at GPS 5.

GPS Representatives

Over the 5 GPS carnivals the team did their school proud with many fine performances.

The GPS senior team:
From right to left:
Jack Musgrove-GPS swimming and
GPS swimming Captain, Max Chien –
GPS swimming, GPS rep, Vice Captain
and record for 100m Freestyle and
200m backstroke, Andrew Ye – GPS
swimming, Jeffery Jiang – GPS
swimming and GPS representative

Six boys gained selection to represent GPS in 13 events at the CIS swimming carnival. This is an improvement from the 3 reps that we had over the last 2 years. The boys that gained selection in the GPS team are:

16 years - Max Chien

14 Years – Darren Chien, Eugene Lee, Domimic Mah

13 Years – Leonard Mah 12 Years – Kazuo Nakamura

Regional, CHS and Allschools swimming carnivals

The following regional swimmers gained a position to swim in events at the CHS carnival:

They were:

12 Years: Kazuo Nakamura who also featured in the finals at Allschools

13 Years: Luke Hoad, Lenard Mah, Michael Jun, Henry Feng

14 Years: Eugene Lee, Dominic Mah, Yu Peng Man, George Dzero, Darren Chien also featured in the finals at Allschools

16 Years: Max Chien Opens: Jeffery Jiang

At the CHS carnival SBHS received a Gold medal for 14 years relay (4x50) team, Eugene Lee, Yu Peng Man, George Dzero, Dominc Mah pictured top left, a Silver medal in the 6x50 all age relay team, Jack Musgrove, Ben Wilcox, Shaun Pak, Eugene Lee, Leonard Mah, Kazuo Nakamura pictured below and a Silver medal in the 100m Breaststroke was won by Darren Chien pictured top right.

Well done to all

Peter Loizou, MIC Swimming



Sailing

With a new location, new equipment and experienced members, the Sydney Boys High Sailing Squad was prepared to race even more competitively than in previous years. Throughout the Saturdays of the season, winds changed from breaths to gales, and we were forced to apply the extent of our knowledge to the thrill of a racing environment. The result was successful.

On the first training session of the season, we were welcomed by a new club – Double Bay Sailing Club. Home to Sydney's largest laser fleet, it provides a very positive training environment. An advantage of the new location was that it required us to rig the boats more efficiently, a useful skill in most regattas. Also, as the area in which we trained was different to the racing waters, we were exposed to a more versatile range of conditions.

An inspiring event which took place at Double Bay Sailing Club was the 18 ft Skiff World Championships. Our coach, Adam South, also coached several boats from the regatta, including third place getters 'Project One'. We were allowed to board the spectator ferry and watch the 18 ft skiffs race along the long distance course, to examine what strategies and tactics they used. The experience was such a privilege for us, as we were able to meet with some of the world's top sailors.

The Tri Series regatta began for us soon after the 18 ft skiffs finished theirs. This year, we entered the competition with a more competitive edge than before, as we had been consistently placing in the top ten out of more than thirty crews. These results continued, with competitors gaining places each week. This is especially outstanding, as many of these high results were achieved by juniors, all competing in opens races.

There are two competitions in which we are yet to participate in – the CHS regatta, and the NSW Teams Racing Championships. Our training for the latter has been rigorous, and we hope to achieve admirable results. As for the CHS regatta, we intend to bring The Joint Coal Board trophy back to Sydney High for the eighth consecutive year.

There are a number of people who deserve to be thanked on behalf of the Sydney Boys High Sailing Squad. Ms Collignon and Mr Moody, who have invested a significant effort into organising and managing all of the events; the parent committee, which has helped through various fundraising opportunities; and Adam South, who has shared his Olympic-class coaching to further our abilities.

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Sailing

Back Row: A.Ceh, B.Daniels, T.Funston, A.Saunders, M.Delaney, B.Hillier, A.Weinstock, Mr G.Moody (Coach). **Second Row:** D.Evans, S.Chung, J.Yip, T.Dumonet, A.Xu, O.Long, J.Waring, T.Pilien. **Front Row:** C.Robinmson, R.Irwin, E.Mehmedbasic (Senior Captain), Ms B.Collignon (MIC),

M.James (Junior Captain), D.Fang, D.Gordon.

Water Polo



First Grade Water Polo

Back Row: P.Nguyen, J.Liang, N.Slinko, D.Smith-Light, A.Chiem, D.Zhang, K.Su, B.Cabanilla. Front Row: S.Kim, J.Han, A.Guo (Captain), Ms T.Evans (MIC), M.Le, D.Do, J.Jiang.

First Grade Water Polo

The 2009/10 season has been a great season with the team building on the skills learnt last year through rigorous training and fast paced games. Through the season we have become more cohesive as a team and through that we have pushed each other to achieve more, whether it be at training or during games.

Although we were the underdogs every game, we nonetheless played to our best abilities each week against more experienced teams. A combination of excellent defence and counterattacking led to our best result ever, late in the season against The Scots College, keeping their score low while going on the offensive. With this morale boost, the following games were played with renewed vigour and saw great all round individual and team improvements.

Our last game was played against a rough and fast St Joseph's team – a very physical game which ended in a loss, but we were able to get out of the pool content with how far we had gotten throughout the season.

Congratulations to Daniel Smith-Light for receiving the "Best and Fairest Award", Andy Chiem for receiving the "Most Improved Player Award" and Austyn Guo for receiving the "Coaches Award".

Thanks must go to our MIC Ms Evans for her tireless input and her brilliant coaching in Lachlan's absence, and to Lachlan our coach, whose firm but fair guidance has seen the team progress greatly.

It has been a last great season with High Water Polo has come through strongly with the best results in 6 years. To ensure the continuation of water polo at High, new players are needed in every age group. I encourage you to rise to the challenge and join water polo before it is too late.

Austyn Guo



16 Years Water Polo

Back Row: C.Morrison, N.Lomov.

Second Row: O.Sabau, A.Rudder, W.Shao, S.Beston, M.Kobras, A.Bhat. Front Row: T.Diep, B.Hancock, Ms T.Evans (Coach), N.Paul, J.Dobrowolski.

16s Report

The 2009/10 season was a breakthrough one for the 16s Waterpolo Team. Expectations were mixed after last season, but the general mood was optimistic. The addition to the team of two more players in Max Kobras and William Shao, and later Nick Lomov added further depth to the team.

We opened the season with a tight trial game, taking Newington to the wire but just missing out, going down 5-4. Two weeks later, after a win against Barker, we met Newington again for the first round of the official season. With two games under our belt, we played to potential, and pulled off an excellent 10-6, win. Two weeks later, we held Waverly to an excellent morale boosting 13-0 win.

We entered the new year full of optimism, and with the opens CHS comp on the horizon. However our lack of holiday training showed with a first up loss to Barker. A week later, with some game time under our belt, we played what was possibly the game of the season: a nail biting 2-1 victory over St Aloysius. When we finished the regular season, we ranked 3rd, an excellent result, and a credit to the boys.

Only a few days later we backed up for our first CHS game. Being an open–age comp, we were not expected to do well, so the team, the majority of which was sourced from our 16s team surprised Sydney Tech, overcoming a sluggish start to win 5-3, and progress to the group stage. Here, we played the highly rated Caringbah and Jannali teams, and state champions, Kirrawee.

The team performed admirably against some highly skilled opponents, and drew with Caringbah. We ended the season with a social game against the Sydney Girls team. We underestimated them, and the 8-3 score line did not reflect the close nature of the fun game.

The team would like to thank our coaches James Menzies, and Lachlan Hollis, without who, we would not have had such a successful season, and whose dedication is appreciated. Thanks also to MIC Ms Evans, and the parents who transported the players every week.

Winter sports Assembly

Special guest Ewan Mackenzie, players, coaches, staff, parents students – welcome to our Winter sports assembly for 2010. We acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land where we gather, the Gadigal people of the Eora nation and pay our respects to them and their elders past and present.

Since the last time I addressed a winter assembly I am pleased to find that a culture shift is occurring in response to the three training sessions policy. I want to thank our Head Teacher Sport, Mark Payone, for embedding the policy that I discussed last year. School policy is that three training sessions per week must be completed for selection in A or B GPS teams and are recommended for C teams. We expect members of first and second grade to take responsibility for personal physical preparation by logging for strength and endurance and sprint training sessions. Other teams have lesser requirements at High but not in other GPS schools. We have to respond to the new reality of much more frequent and disciplined sports training, right through our grades. To support the existing logbook system that has been administered and monitored by MICs and Jason Tassell, Mr Pavone has added personal contract letters setting out explicit expectations for boys wanting to participate in GPS competition teams.

Our winter sports are again very well attended overall in 2010 but I regret that a number of older boys who used to play rugby have dropped out in the senior school. Depth is critical in our rebuilding program. The rugby program in the age groups 13-15 has been given a boost with the appointment of Corey Swan as Junior School Coaching Coordinator. We need that momentum to grow this season so that we can reach our goal of 12 teams in the Junior Program. I urge boys to stick together going forward so that we can field more than four teams in the Senior School in 2011. Thank you also to Geoff Stein for his commitment as MIC and the tireless Geoff Andrews from the Rugby Committee for his work in getting the season off to a good start.

Association Football is our most popular winter sport. Thank you again to Richard Gifford for his efficient administration of the sport and for his recruitment of coaches. Andrew Bennie is taking first grade again and an experienced new coach, Mehdi Hazrati, is guiding second grade. Thank you

for your involvement. Football is lagging behind in physical preparation but more coaches and teams are working on a culture shift. We are building our structure in defence but need more flair in attack. Let's have more shots on goal in the GPS season boys! I notice that some morning training sessions for junior teams are compromised quite frequently because boys are late to training. If your coach can make the effort to be there so can you!

Volleyball, our most successful winter sport, continues to be well managed by Michael Kay, Dr Ganderton and Ms Trompetter. The open team continues to win against school competition in NSW. High has built a fine tradition in this sport in the last decade. Thank you to Cathy Meaney and the Sydney High Rifle Club Inc for the development of the target rifle shooting program. We have re established our TAS visit and hope to maintain our GPS high standard with back to back premierships. The sport has grown in popularity and we are developing a sustainable model looking forward.

Cross country running is a sport that could accommodate more of our senior boys. Thank you to Mr Prorellis, Mr Kesting and his staff for their smooth operation of this sport year on year. With more talent and depth in the senior ranks this year I am hopeful of a better than usual team performance from first grade. Fencing has been given a boost with the new COLA covering the cricket nets giving the sport a permanent home for the first time. A dedicated shed for fencing is being constructed. Acquiring electric registering equipment will also move the participants in the sport to a new level. Thank you to Jenni May for her leadership in developing fencing at High and to Alwyn Wardle, our long serving fencing coach for his lovalty to the program.

This morning I want to outline an approach to managing sports performance. As Sam Stosur said after reaching the final of the French Open "I just thought about the tennis - making the shots". Golfers and tennis players even at the highest level frequently pause to replay a shot, stroke or putt. When we do something poorly in sport during a contest, we need to re-program ourselves to get back on track and focus on the task ahead. If we do not have a strategy then we get distracted for some time by engaging in self-recrimination affecting our next skill performance. A more positive approach is to use the ARIA method. First acknowledge the error. After a missed tackle, poor pass or missed shot, pause momentarily to tell yourself that you performed the skill poorly. Next, release the past performance. Let it go. Make a throwing or discarding motion to reinforce physically what you are doing mentally, discarding the mistake. Then, imprint a visual image of the correct action. Close your eyes in a pause in play and replay the tackle. pass or shot mentally as would have liked it to be. Do this twice associating yourself with the image of perfect execution of the skill. Finally, ask your body and non-conscious self to do that next time. ALIA is the companion process for reinforcing good performance. If you do something well, acknowledge it, love yourself for it by some gesture, imprint the well executed action by mentally replaying it, then ask the self to do it again next time. When facing tough challenges, using ARIA and ALIA can help our mental states.

I am really please at the overall level of participation in winter sport this year. Congratulations to all boys selected in GPS teams this season. I know that you will all try to uphold the tradition of High – you can't buy spirit. Good luck to all teams in all sports – Have fun!

Dr K.A Jaggar



Athletics

GPS Athletics Report

On the cold, bright morning of September 18th, Sydney High contested the 115th AAGPS Athletics Championships at Homebush. The early arrival of the athletes and the crowd set the stage for an enormous day. The energy and excitement within our tent was immediately paid back as Jeremy Rajendram finished 2nd in the opens long jump (6.12m) and Chris Morrow jumped a gigantic personal best (6.40m) to secure 3rd in the 17's. This energy continued in the 800m races as Josh Leo came 5th in the 13's 800m (2:18), and the immensely strong 14's age group belted out 2nd in division (Eugene Lee, 2:09) and 1st in championship (Anton Brokman in 2:03). Lloyd Perris finished brilliantly for 3rd in the 15's championship in 2:06. Thanks must go to the runners of the senior 800m races - they came in underdone and surprised to run, but gave their all. Meanwhile, Harry Heo had secured 1st place in the 16's high jump, jumping 1.78m up an age group, and Max Kite had come second in the opens shotput by a mere 15cm, throwing 14.09m.

In a reversal of fortunes from previous years, our hurdlers exhibited their skills in a series of brilliant finishes. Leonard Mah came 4th in the 13's championship (15.17), his brother Dominic finishing 3rd in the 14's (13.52). Ivor Metcalf ran a stunning race to win the 15's 100m hurdles (13.75) as the crowd erupted with pure ecstasy. Patrick Krakovsky also finished strongly for 5th in the 15's division (15.47). Jesse Moffat had an overnight epiphany and learned to hurdle with excellent technique, finishing 5th in the 16's division (15.90), as Kumudika Gunaratne ran a sizzling personal best of 14.67 to come 3rd in championship. Ben Li missed out by 0.03 seconds on 2nd place in the 17's division, coming 4th. Chris Morrow's loping gait blitzed the field for 3rd in the 17's championship (15.55). Max Kite and Austyn Guo finished well (5th and 6th respectively) in very strong opens hurdle fields. In the concurrent field events, Ivor Metcalf jumped up two age groups in the 17's high jump to finish 3rd in a gigantic leap of 1.90m. Chris Morrow's hard work was rewarded with an opens medal, our first for several years, in the high jump.

The 200m, Sydney High's pet event, followed this, with the newly instated 'burger promise' providing ample reward for Anthony Chen (4th in 13's, 25.79),

Terence Pham (3rd in 14's, 24.86) and Edward Zhang (3rd in 15's, 24.15). Scott Renzenbrink ran up an age group to the 17's where he finished 2nd in a smoking school record of 22.60. Jeremy Rajendram finished 5th (23.83) in another strong opens field. Tian Ling surprised us all and came 3rd in the 16's long jump in 5.88m. Luke Hoad's 1500m race afforded him a massive personal best run of 5:07, whilst Ned Anson provided himself with a 3 second PB in the 14's (4:52). Lloyd once again proved formidable in the 1500m, finishing 2nd in 4:28. The 3000m race was led for most of the way by our own Frank Torok, only being caught in the final few laps by the Shore competitor, but still finishing 2nd in 8:54, all with a hairline fracture. Adam Booth ran a personal best time of 9:34 to finish 2nd in the division race. The 100m races followed; the prestige event of the day. Anthony Chen ran a PB of 12.64 seconds to finish 4th in a ridiculously strong 13's field.

Terence held on for 5th place (12.22) amongst bigger competitors in the 14's, whilst Edward (11.63) came 3rd behind Newington and Kings, both of whom broke the previous record. Scott's win in the 16's (11.28) was ample opportunity for the crowd to celebrate, backed up by consistent 5th place finishes in the opens, as I made a comeback from injury to finish a surprising 2nd in the opens 100m championship. The 4x400m relays saw an incredible run from Gareth Deacon (crossing the line in 51 seconds), although we didn't perform as well as we would have liked. James Tinker was a last-minute call up to the 13's 400m, running up an age group in the toughest race of an athletics program. Anton Brokman completed a huge day for himself by winning the 14's 400m in a time of 54.21 as Lahiru Katupitiya came from nowhere to finish 3rd in the 15's 400m (54.70), and Anosh Kanagaratnam ran 53.09 for 5th in the 17's 400m. Adam and Frank backed up from their 3000m runs to finish 4th (4:25) and 3rd (4:18) in the 16's and opens, respectively. Sam Lane ran a tactical race for 5th in an incredibly strong 17's field.

The final races of the day, usually very successful events for us, ended in disappointment with a series of disqualifications, which were the deciding factor in the overall places. The juniors finished 7th overall, a mere 1.5 points behind Sydney Grammar, whilst the seniors recorded their best result since 1976.

coming 5th, and should the relays have finished, it would have been a 4th place, right behind St. Josephs in 3rd. I would really like to congratulate all the competitors on the day – there was a sense of victory in everyone's efforts. There was no timidity shown by anyone, we all felt as if we had accomplished something truly amazing. We demanded respect, and that is what we shall receive. The crowd was the best I've seen in my time at Sydney High, cheering on each and every athlete, overflowing into other schools seating, and belting the school song out at the top of our lungs after the awards had been given out.

The atmosphere of the day was mind blowing, and there was a true feeling that this effort was not a one-off. These results can be emulated next year and probably even surpassed. Each and every boy who had trained before and during the season should be ecstatic with themselves, because I feel exceptionally proud to have captained a squad of people who have developed and matured as individuals. Thank you all for what has been a fantastic season to cap off a brilliant seven years.

Joshua Tassell: Captain of Athletics

Name	Place	Age	Event	Effort
Christopher Morrow	1	OP	High Jump	1.95m
Christopher Morrow	3	17	110m Hurdles Championship	15.55
Christopher Morrow	3	17	Long Jump	6.40m
Anton Brokman	1	14	400 m Championship	54.21
Anton Brokman	1	14	800m Championship	02:03.7
Scott Renzenbrink	1	16	100m Championship	11.28
Scott Renzenbrink	2	17	200 m Championship	22.60
Ivor Metcalf	1	15	100m Hurdles Championship	13.75
Ivor Metcalf	3	17	High Jump	1.90m
Harry Heo	1	16	High Jump	1.78m
Joshua Tassell	2	OP	100m Championship	11.36
Torok Frank	3	OP	1500m Championship	04:17.1
Frank Torok	2	OP	3000 m Championship	08:54.2
Maximillian Kite	2	OP	Shot Put	14.09m
Jeremy Rajendram	2	OP	Long Jump	6.12m
Adam Booth	2	OP	3000 m Division	9:34.2
Edward Zhang	3	15	100m Championship	24.15
Edward Zhang	3	15	200 m Championship	11.63
Terrence Pham	3	14	200 m Championship	24.86
Lahiru Katupitiya	3	15	400 m Championship	54.70
Eugene Lee	2	14	800m Division	02:09.0
Lloyd Perris	3	15	800m Championship	04:28.5
Lloyd Perris	3	15	1500m Championship	02:06.7
Mah Dominic	3	14	90m Hurdles Championship	13.52
Kumudika Gunaratne	3	16	100m Hurdles Championship	14.67
Tian Ling	3	16	Long Jump	5.88m

All Schools Knockout

Cold, windy night... Joeys and Shore on the prowl. The Sydney High athletics team showed up to the NSW Schools Knockout Competition on the 26/08 in their brand new school bus with their game faces on – it was time to take care of some business. We were determined to put on a show and refused to leave without a medal. We had some wins early in the night with Josh Tassell coming first in the 100m with a time of 11.12, Chris Morrow in the High Jump at a height of 2.00m, Frank Torok in the 1500m with a time of 4.08.05, and Max Kite with an immense throw of 14.94m. With 3 events remaining, the Senior Team and Mr Devlin could feel the pressure with a chance at nationals slipping away.

A great performance by Anosh Kanagaratne in the 400m and an exceptional effort in the Medley Relay, secured our runners up position, only 10 points behind Westfields and well in front of Shore and Joeys. There was great effort from the juniors and Intermediate teams coming 8th and 5th respectively. The great performance and soaring confidence of the team makes us a real threat for the upcoming GPS season.

Isnad Zaman

Men - Senior - Team Rankings - Events Scored

1)	Westfields Sports High School	213
2)	Sydney Boys High School	203
3)	Barker College	195.50
4)	St Joseph's College	193
5)	The Hills Sports High School	190
6)	Cherrybrook Technology HS	188.50
7)	Shore	188
8)	St. Aloysius' College	172
9)	Marist College, Eastwood	161

Sydney East Zone Athletics Carnival

On Tuesday the 29th of July, Sydney High contested the Sydney East Zone Athletics carnival. Traditionally dominant at this stage of the CHS competition, the team fared excellently on the day, dominant throughout the age groups. The 12s fared well, with James Tinker progressing in multiple events and Kazuo Nakamura taking out the long jump. In the 13s, Anthony Chen produced an extremely promising 12.9 seconds in the 100m to win. Joshua Leo and Leonard Mah progressed for several events as Josh won the 800m. The 14s were extremely strong in the sprints, as Terrence, Maurice and Anton all produced 12 second runs to advance

in the 100m, and Vasu also qualified for the 200m. Eugene and Anton were typically strong in the middle distance events, and Ned won the 1500m.

Dominic easily won the hurdles, as did Terrence in the high jump.

Byron Chen produced a giant 5.25m in the long jump to win - a promising result in lieu of the upcoming GPS season. Edward Zhang dominated the 15s 100m in 11.6 seconds, having a jog in the 200 to miss a place. Lloyd, Ollie and Siddarth were strong in the distance events as Ivor and Patrick cleaned up the hurdles in very tidy runs. Ivor also destroyed the competition with 1.75m in the high iump, despite not knowing what height he was jumping, followed by Harry Heo with 1.70m. Despite a shoulder injury, Eamon progressed in the discus and shot put, and Patrick won the long jump with 5.50m. Scott Renzenbrink's brilliant form continued with 11.3 in the 100 and 22.9 in the 200m - a meet record for his age. Scott also progressed in the high jump, long jump, and triple jump. Andrew Fong ran admirably to win the 400m in 58.2. Pasan and Boothy ran a relatively guick 800m (~2:15 with little competition), also advancing in the 1500m. Once again we dominated hurdles as Kumi ran a handy 15.47 to win. Leo and Sangeeth progressed in shotput without much trouble, clearing 10 metres apiece. The Opens age group read as the Sydney High team, having all four competitors for the hurdles (Chris, Ben, Stephen and Austyn). Max Kite dominated the throws, winning the shotput, javelin and discus, whereas Chris Morrow cleared a lazy 1.85m in the high jump to easily win as well as taking out the triple jump.

Tony and Jeremy came 1st and 2nd in the long jump, and the distance events were a clean sweep – congratulations to Frank (who probably ran there in the morning so he didn't disrupt his training schedule) and Sam. BK won the 100 and 200 after an injury to myself (surprise, surprise), and Anosh Kanagaratnam also powered through in all the sprints. The relays were a similar story, as we easily progressed in each one, including a 40m win in Opens despite not having 3 of our best runners. The entire day was a testament to the hard work and training the boys have put in over the last few months, from Monday sessions at Moore Park West to Wednesday track sessions at ES Marks, to throws at lunchtimes with Mr Codey. The increased application, and willingness of the boys to logbook their sessions has really resulted in some stunning results. I would like to thank Bob Morrow for his contribution to the athletics program, as his donation has allowed us to finance ten sets of blocks and ten collapsible hurdles, the first time we have had such equipment. I would also like to congratulate the boys who came to ES Marks a few Tuesdays ago, as they buffeted terrible conditions to run a tough session. They make me extremely proud and very confident going into the GPS season.

Josh Tassell: Captain of Athletics

Area Athletics Report

On the 3rd and 4th of August High participated in the Sydney East Regional Athletics Carnival at Homebush. With strong results from the Zone Carnival a few weeks before and the boys working hard in training sessions under the guidance of TJ and his son Josh Tassell, High performed admirably with 2 records being broken by Chris Morrow in the 17+ Yrs High Jump of 2.00m and Ivor Metcalf in the 15 Yrs 100m Hurdles with a time of 14.09 and High continuing to dominate in the relays.

The 12s age group performed to the best of their abilities, and although not securing any podium finishes they narrowly missed out with a number of 4th places and I strongly encourage the boys to train hard during the following athletics season to be even more competitive in the GPS Championships. The 13s also performed well with an unlucky Anthony Chen not running his best time coming in at 6th, and the High relay team finishing well in 2nd place. The 14s did an amazing job with Dominic Mah coming 2nd in the 100m Hurdles by 0.01 seconds, Anton Brockman and Eugene Lee coming in 2nd and 3rd respectively in the 400m and the 800m, and the 14s relay coming in 1st.

The 15s age group was fantastic at the carnival, starting off the day with a win in the 1500m by GPS contender Lloyd Perris, who also won the 800m with a good time of 2:11.56. Edward Zhang also did well dominating in the 100m with a sub 12.00 time yet again, and Patrick Krakovsky finishing 2nd in the Long Jump and 3rd in the Triple Jump, and Ivor Metcalf continuing to perform brilliantly with a win in the 200m Hurdles, a highly contested 2nd place in the High Jump and a new record in the 100m Hurdles. Although plagued by injuries and missing key athletes such Michael Phung, Kah-Yang Wong and Andrew Fong, the 16s still performed quite well with Adam Booth winning the 2000m Steeple Chase and placing 3rd in the 1500m, also with Jesse Moffat coming 1st in the 110m Hurdles and Kumudika Gunaratne coming in 2nd and myself finishing 3rd

for both the 100m and 200m races. It was unfortunate that the 16s relay was unable to run due to injuries, as I believe otherwise we could have achieved a top 2 finish in that as well.

The 17+ years performed excellently with Chris Morrow winning in the 110m Hurdles, the Triple Jump and breaking the opens record for High Jump with a massive effort of 2.00m and I'm sure he's looking forward to breaking the High Jump record next year as well. There were also strong performances by Sam Lane, who finished 3rd in 1500m and 800m, and by Anosh Kanagaratnam who placed 3rd in the 400m. Max Kite continues to throw well with a 2nd place in the Shot Put and a 3rd in the Discus, and Austyn Guo ran a solid time in the 400m Hurdle to finish 2nd. Coming back from an injury at the Zone Carnival, Josh Tassel ran a comfortable 11.28 in the 100m, finishing 1st on the day but placing 2nd due to an automatically submitted time by an absent athlete, being very unfortunate. The 17+ boys ran an exciting relay with Josh Tassel easily gaining 30m on the 1st place runner in the last leg to bring High 1st place. Congratulations to all the athletes who participated in the carnival and especially those that made it through to the next stage, and it is a testament to the success of the Athletics program set up by MIC Mr Devlin, the amazing coaching by TJ and his son Josh Tassell, and all the parents that have helped our boys out that we have achieved these excellent results, and with intense training in the following weeks we can look forward to some excellent results at the GPS Athletics Championships later this term.

Scott Renzenbrink

CHS Athletics Report

On the 9th, 10th and 11th of September, several boys headed down to Homebush to compete in the CHS Athletics Championships. All boys performed admirably, giving it their all at a very competitive and tough carnival. Special congratulations must go to Ivor Metcalf (year 9) who won Gold in the 100m Hurdles and High Hump and Silver in the 200m Hurdles, Christopher Morrow (year 11), who won bronze in both the Opens 110m Hurdles and the High Jump, Anton Brokman (year 10), who won Silver in both the 400m and 800m and Maximillian Kite, who took out a Silver in the Opens Shot Put. These impressive results are a testament to the depth in our athletics program – despite several injury setbacks we have still had a successful season.

Brian Kelly: Vice-Captain of Athletics

Annual Athletics Carnival Results

EVENT	FIRST	SECOND	THIRD	TIME/DIST	
12 YEARS					
100 M	Johnson Tran	Calvin Zhou	Kevin Robinson	14.42 s	
200 M	Calvin Zhou	James Tinker	Kazuo Nakamura	31.45 s	
400 M	James Tinker	Chris Lee	Andrew Nam	1′18.90 m	
800 M	James Tinker	Kelvin Liang	William Chang	2′54.80 m	
90 Hurdles	Chris Lee	James Tinker	Kevin Robinson	18.46 s	
High Jump	Chris Lee	Kevin Robinson		1.18 m	
Long Jump	Kazuo Nakamura	Johnson Tran	Bill Zhuang	4.08 m	
Shot Put	Tyson Zhang	Bennett Jiang	Aashray Narula	6.81 m	
House Relay	Saxby	Eedy	Ruby	61.02 s	
Champion	James Tinker				
13 YEARS					
100 M	Anthony Chen	Joshua Lee	Philip Lam	13.17 s	
200 M	Joshua Lee	Leonard Mah	Anthony Chen	27.71 s	
400 M	Joshua Lee	Philip Lam	Leonard Mah	1′05.20 m	
800 M	Joshua Lee	Henry Feng	Luke Hoad	2′37.00 m	
90 Hurdles	Joshua Lee	Leonard Mah	Carl Yang	16.30 s	
High Jump	Henry Feng	James Lian		1.31m	
Discuss	Andrew Liu	Tyson Zhang	Rex Yi	19.10 m	
Javelin	Martin Lam	Andrew Liu	Wei Li Zhuang	17.70 m	
Long Jump	Joshua Lee	Henry Feng	William Wu	4.44 m	
Shot Put	Rex Yi	Anthony Chen	Leonard Mah	9.58 m	
House Relay	Ruby	McKay	Torrington	57.26 s	
Champion	Joshua Lee				
14 YEARS					
100 M	Terence Pham	Maurice Lam	Anton Brokman	12.27 s	
200 M	Anton Brokman	Maurice Lam	Vasu Bhakri	25.27 s	
400 M	Anton Brokman	Eugene Lee	Dominic Mah	1′02.30m	
800 M	Anton Brokman	Eugene Lee	Ned Anson	2′19.00m	
1500 M	Anton Brokman	Ned Anson	Steve Comninos	5′02.99m	
100 Hurdles	Dominic Mah	Eugene Lee	Kenny Liu	14.51 s	
High Jump	Terence Pham	Dominic Mah		1.50 m	
Discuss	Brendan Guan	Terence Pham	Steve Comninos	29.26 m	
Javelin	Brendan Guan	Chris Mao	Allen Chen	24.73 m	
Long Jump	Maurice Lam	Anton Brokman	Byron Chen	4.95 m	
Shot Put	Steve Comninos	Howjer Gu	Ray Fang	9.57 m	
House Relay	Saxby	Eedy	Ruby	53.80 s	
Champion	Anton Brokman	·	•		

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15 YEARS

100 M	Edward Zhang	Ollie Meroni	Ming Chin	11.99 s
200 M	Ming Chin	Ollie Meroni	Edward Zhang	24.61 s
M 00	Lloyd Perris	Lahiru Katupitiya	Ming Chin	59.04 s
800 M	Lloyd Perris	Ollie Meroni	Siddharth Sethi	2′17.20 m
500 M	Lloyd Perris	Ollie Meroni	Oliver Kirk	4′40.06 m
00 Hurdles	Ivor Metcalf	Patrick Krakovsky	Jonathan Clements-Lendrum	14.42 s
High Jump	Ivor Metcalf	Harry Heo	Patrick Krakovsky	1.70m
Discuss	Eamon Kelly	Tony Li	Jaspar Garay	25.11 m
avelin	Jaspar Garay	Allen Fu	Dennis Duong	27.30 m
ong Jump	Patrick Krakovsky	Ivor Metcalf	Harry Heo	5.44 m
Triple Jump	Patrick Krakovsky	Ivor Metcalf	Anton Brokman	11.38 m
Shot Put	Eamon Kelly	Dennis Duong	Jaspar Garay	11.33 m
House Relay	McKay	Saxby	Ruby	50.23 s
Champion	Patrick Krakovsky	•	•	
16 YEARS				
100 M	Scott Renzenbrink	Michael Phung	Andrew Fong	11.71 s
200 M	Scott Renzenbrink	Michael Phung	Andrew Fong	23.42 s
100 M	Michael Phung	Andrew Fong	Prashan Prabaharan	57.70 s
300 M	Adam Booth	Pasan Pannila	Jeremy Dobrowolski	2′11.70 m
1500 M	Adam Booth	Pasan Pannila	Jeremy Dobrowolski	4′39.50 m
110 Hurdles	Kumudika Gunaratne	Jesse Moffat	Andrew Fong	15.24 s
High Jump	Scott Renzenbrink	Jesse Moffat	J	1.60 m
Discuss	Scott Renzenbrink	Ben Wilcox	Sangeeth Subramaniam	24.00 m
lavelin	Jeremy Dobrowolski	Scott Renzenbrink	Benjamin Laird	28.80 m
ong Jump	Scott Renzenbrink	Tian Ling	Michael Phung	5.63 m
Γriple Jump	Scott Renzenbrink	Tian Ling	Kumudika Gunaratne	10.51 m
Shot Put	Danny Chandra	Leo Lu	Jesse Moffat	11.24 m
House Relay	Fairland	Saxby	Eedy	50.24 s
Champion	Scott Renzenbrink	Juney		30.2.3
OPENS				
100 M	Brian Kelly	Jeremy Rajendram	Anosh Kanagaratnam	11.58 s
200 M	Jeremy Rajendram	Brian Kelly	Anosh Kanagaratnam	23.55 s
100 M	Anosh Kanagaratnam	Jeremy Rajendram	Francis Torok	56.10 s
800 M	Francis Torok	Samuel Lane	Laurence Liu	2′12.10 m
1500 M	Francis Torok	Samual Lane	Lachlan Perris	4′25.80 m
10 Hurdles	Christopher Morrow	Stephen Yoon	Austyn Guo	15.92 s
High Jump	Christopher Morrow	Andrew Huynh	Maximillian Kite	1.85 m
Discuss	Maximillian Kite	Alex Feng	Mohit Tugnait	35.94 m
avelin	Maximillian Kite	Raghib Siddiquee	James Han	30.02 m
ong Jump	Tony Xiao	Jeremy Rajendram	Anosh Kanagaratnam	5.85 m
Triple Jump	Christopher Morrow	Maximillian Kite	Anosh Kanagaratnam	12.33 m
Shot Put	Maximillian Kite	Jack Musgrove	Iftiar Khan	13.80 m
House Relay	Ruby	Torrington	Fairland	48.8 s
Champion	Maximillian Kite	J		-

Rugby



First Fifteen

Back Row: J.Whiting, F.Li, D.Edgtton, O.Pierce, M.Kite, J.Musgrove, T.Gollan.

Front Row: M.Phung, Mr M.Aldous (Coach), G.Denny-Smith, Dr K.A.Jaggar (Principal), A.Koerber, Mr P.Scrivener (Coach), G.Deacon. Second Row: L.Gordon, L.Li, M.Ambrose, S.Yoon, B.Kelly, G.B.Wang, J.Petrie.

Rugby Results 2010

Team	NC	St Ag.	St And.	TAS	SGS	TKS	SJC	SIC	NC	Shor	TSC	SGS
1sts	L 10-20	L 19-24	L 19-29	L 14-15	L 6-66	Rain –	L 0-12	W 18-7	W 23-10	W 24-19	L 10-22	L 11-20
	2nds	2nds					3rds	3rds	3rds	3rds	3rds	
2nds	L	L	L	L	L	Rain	L	Rain	L	L	L	L
	0-10	12-42	7-22	7-51	0-60		0-49		10-19	5-10	0-29	22-7
	4ths	3rds					5ths		5ths	5ths	5ths	3rds
16A	W	L	L	L	L	Rain	L	Rain	L	L	L	L
	12-5	0-44	12-29	10-26	0-32		0-73		0-12	5-27	0-70	0-45
	16B						16B		16B	16B	16B	
16B			L	No	Rain	Rain	L	Rain	Forfeit	-	-	-
			0-20	game			16D					
15A	W	L	W	W	W	Rain	L	L	L	L	L	L
	29-26	0-58	27-5	15-14	24-14	15B	5-20	0-78	0-62	3-47	12-27	7-21
	15B											
15B	L	L	L	L	Rain	Rain	L	Rain	L	W	W	W
	20-24	5-25	0-24	10-40			155		19-26	12-5	34-0	24-15
	15D			Cowp15A			15E		15D	15D	15C	
15C	NG	L	L	W	Rain	Rain	L	Rain	W	-	L	L
		0-55	5-34	14-10			5-39		26-5		17-22	26-34
			Kx 15D	15B			15F		SGS 15C		SGS 15C	
14A	W	L	W	W	L	Rain	L	Rain	W	L	W	L
	21-0	0-59	70-14	48-5	7-17		5-54		24-12	14-24	26-24	0-17
	14B						14B		14B	14B	14B	
14B	W	L	L	L	Rain	Rain	L	Rain	L	L	D	W
	27-2	17-36	10-50				5-62		14-36	5-36	20-20	27-5
	14D		Kx 14C (Cowp14A	١		14C		SGS 14B	14C	14C	
14C	W	L	W	L	Rain	Rain	L	Rain	Rain	L	W	W
	22-15	10-51	42-21	25-33			0-76			5-52	22-10	53-0
	14E		Kx 14E	14B			4E			14F	14E	
14D	NG	L	L	No	Rain	Rain	L	Rain	Rain	W	W	No
		22-24	22-41	game			14-46			34-20	44-5	game
		BC 14E	BC 14F				14F			14H	SGS 14C	
13A	W	L	W	L	L	Rain	L	Rain	L	W	W	L
	47-5	0-80	74-0	19-28	10-47		0-64		12-14	27-7	45-27	24-42
	13B						13B		13B	13B	13B	
13B	D	L	L	L	Rain	Rain	L	Rain	Rain	L	L	L
	10-10	0-60	0-24	12-22			0-59			0-49	0-34	0-15
	D's		Kx 13C (_ 	1		13D			13D	13D	

Rugby Results 2010

Team	NC	St Ag.	St And.	TAS	SGS	TKS	SJC	SIC	NC	Shor	TSC	SGS
13C	W 20-15 H13D	L 0-72	L 5-51 E14H	L 22-64 13B	Rain	Rain	L 5-51 13F	Rain	Rain	L 0-42 13F	L 5-37 13E	W 32-12
13D	L 15-20 H13C	L 5-50 L	L 0-69 Kx 13D	L 10-38 12A	Rain	Rain	L 5-39 13G	Rain	Rain	L 24-40 13H	W 34-0 SIC 13H	L 19-29 SIC 13G

Other matches:

1st XV v Randwick BHS (Waratah Shield Rd 1) W 22-19 1st XV v Ashfield BHS (Waratah Shield Rd 2) W 41-0 1st XV v Prairiewood HS (Quarter-final) L 12-33 1st XV v Melbourne High W 73-0 16A's v Oxley College W 26-5 15A v Randwick BHS (Buchan Shield Rd 1) W 40-28 15A v Matraville Sports High (Preliminary Quarterfinal) L 22-35

14A v Randwick BHS W 34-15; Ashfield BHS W 15-0 13A v Randwick BHS W 37-25; Ashfield BHS W 17-5

First XV report

This year's first fifteen set out with the intention of showing that rugby at High is in fact not dead, but very much alive and on the rise. I would like to think that with the team's dedication to training, our performances, and the efforts put in by our coaches to prepare us, we have proved this. For those not part of a top flight summer sporting team, preparation for the season began last year with offseason strength and conditioning. The willingness that I saw from boys to get involved so far out from the beginning of the season was an encouraging sight, and I am sure it helped to set the tone for the rest of the year. We were soon joined in term 1 by those playing a summer sport, for lunchtime skills sessions out on Moore Park West. The reinforcement of our signature plays so early on contributed to the fluidity with which we played for the majority of the year, and is a testament to both the boys' dedication and Mr. Scrivener and Mr. Aldous and their willingness to see us succeed.

This year's team was bolstered by the return of approximately half of the 2009 1st XV. The experience and time spent playing together could be seen early as the first trial games, where promising signs were seen in both our attacking flair and determination to defend. Early trials against St. Augustines, Newington and St. Andrews helped us to prepare and sort a preliminary team to take to Armidale. Our final trip to The Armidale School was viewed as our opportunity to display the team was

truly serious about what we wanted to do this year. In saying that, the trip was also a chance to escape from the rigours of the HSC and enjoy ourselves for a few days, something the boys looked forward to almost as much as the game. It was disappointing to suffer such a heartbreaking loss, going down 15-14 to a late penalty goal. What was not disappointing, however, was the passion and determination that was displayed throughout the game to come from behind multiple times to inch our noses in front. This is something I saw from all Sydney High teams that day and truly embodies what it means to represent the school and how highly everyone regards the Armidale experience. A final trial game against Grammar to take us into the GPS season showed us just how far we had left to go, a 60-6 thrashing ensuring we carried a "monkey on our back" that we were determined to throw off when we met again.

It should also be mentioned here that 2010 marked Sydney High's re-entry into the Waratah Shield knockout competition. It had been a number of years since we last competed, and we showed that we are one of the better public school teams in the state. Victories against teams such as Randwick and Ashfield saw us advance to the quarter finals, where we were undone by a skilful Prairiewood High School outfit, and the absence of some players who had to prepare for their trial exams. However, I would like to thank all the younger players who

stepped up to fill important roles in some of these games; their assistance was much appreciated, and I am sure it provided them with valuable experience as they look to fill a spot in next year's 1st XV. I must also thank our new sports master, Mr. Mark Pavone, who liaised with other schools to organise games.

2010 also saw the first rugby exchange between Melbourne High School and Sydney High School. In the middle weekend of the break between Terms 2 and 3 the 1st XV travelled down to Melbourne accompanied by Mr. Pavone and Mr. Hannon. Upon our arrival we were taken on a guick tour of the school before a training run to gel some of the unfamiliar faces that had accompanied us for various reasons. I would like to give special mentions here to Eric Ovadia and David Andrews, who joined the team for the trip to add depth and give extra options in the forwards. David had the dubious honour of being named tour dick for being the youngest on tour, but to his credit he carried the title with dignity. His duties included following captain's orders and carrying coaches bags, amongst others. We took our time after training to have a walk up Chapel St where we discovered TGI Fridays, an amazing place to eat that made a mean burger with Cajun fried onion rings, and whose red and white stripes are apparently one of the most recognised restaurant trademarks in the world. With our minds now open to the wonders of TGIs we were billeted out to our hosts. The game itself was not the close encounter we had been hoping for. Rather it was a blowout 73-0 win to high in which we demonstrated the ability to move and control the ball at will whilst carrying on with our attack. Saturday night brought both teams together for some bonding. A fun time was had by all and we returned to Sydney feeling closer as a group and ready to sink our teeth into the GPS 3rds competition. I must give thanks to Mr. Pavone and Mr. Hannon who took time out of their holidays to accompany us on the trip.

Our outlook from the start has been that we do not belong in 3rd grade. We believe we should be playing a higher level of competition. This is the third year since the school dropped out of the 1st XV competition to begin rebuilding, and the results are beginning to state our case to move up. In driving rain and playing on a mud-filled field, the 1st XV outplayed St. Ignatius 18-7 to open our winning account for 2010. A 23-10 win over Newington and 24-19 defeat of Shore further showed just how far we had come as both players and a team. It is fair to

say the advancement in the team's playing abilities would not have been so pronounced without the training program the school has put in place; 2 strength sessions, 1 speed and conditioning session and 3 team sessions every week have helped us learn together and come together as players and mates. As we headed into our final game against Grammar, I cannot deny that I experienced mixed emotions; on the one hand I was somewhat nostalgic and saddened by the fact this would be my last game in the "Blue and Brown, but at the same time was excited to finish the season on a high. My excitement soon took over, as I realised that there would be no other people I would rather go through this experience with than the ones who ran out onto the field with me last Saturday. The commitment that everyone has to each other showed on the field, no one was left behind and the team played as one. It is hard to explain about my feelings from that final game; we lost the match 20-11, but I feel that we accomplished something of extreme importance. Firstly, we left no regrets out on the field: we took our chances and did not hesitate. Secondly, I saw the spirit displayed by both the players and supporters, and realised what we meant to them. Thirdly, I saw how amazed the Grammar 1st XV was by our performance and the effect this had on their supporters. I felt this was of great importance, as it showed that High is not simply there to make up the numbers, but to compete and to win. The attitude of the Grammar players both during and after the game showed our message had gone through loud and clear.

I would like to thank the members of the rugby committee: Geoff Andrews, July Blomberg, Peter and Liz Ambrose, Samson Lou, Katherine Deacon, Enita Petrie, Corey Swan, and anyone else I have not named, without these people the program would function a lot less smoothly. I would like to thank MIC of rugby Mr. Geoff Stein for his administrative work and coaching inputs throughout the year, and Mr. Mark Payone for the organisation of Waratah shield games and GPS fixtures, and also for stepping in as caretaker coach for the Melbourne trip. I'd like to recognise Mick Dennis, who ran our water this year and tended to boys in the sheds before and after games, his work is greatly appreciated. Bruce Gordon has been invaluable this year, god knows how much tape he used strapping us this year and also saw to the immediate treatment of injuries. His work cannot be ignored. I would like to point out that the strapping tape used throughout the year was provided free of charge courtesy of Dave

Goldman and Victor Sports; this is an extremely gracious act, and is a relationship I hope the school develops in the future. Jason Tassel was our strength and conditioning coach this year, and he made sure that we were physically prepared for our games. Stuart Lundie was brought in this year to coach our forward pack, and did a great job working on basic skills and organising our scrums and lineouts. Mick Aldous took the backs again this year, his knowledge of football is invaluable, and he guided us to work on our strengths throughout the year. And Mr. Scrivener, the man who put everything together, and who worked so tirelessly to see us succeed, must also be recognised for the tremendous effort he has put in throughout the year. Some days you could see the strain on his face, but I hope we made him proud. I would also like to mention two players who for various reasons were unable to play the season out: Leo Gordon and Jonah Petrie. These two have been part of the team since the beginning, and I am sure were disappointed they were unable to play out the final game with us. Mentions must also go to two players who earned representative honours this year; Dominic Edgetton worked his way into the starting NSW Combined High Schools 2nd XV and earned some game time in the 1sts while George Denny-Smith captained the NSW Combined High Schools 3rd XV, both great achievements.

In closing, a message is offered to the younger players: stick with the sport and support the program by giving your all, because the program and the school will not stop supporting you. It is up to you to continue to take the sport back to where it deserves to be. We have started the wheels rolling; now you must finish the task.

George Denny-Smith, Captain

Second Grade Rugby

The 2010 season was full of ups and downs. Preseason training saw one of key players David Tran sustaining a shoulder injury from an opposed session. Many of our players had never played together as a team before, with many having never played a game of rugby in their lives, which presented us with a big challenge to work hard during the pre-season. However, with the guidance of our coaches Mr Smith and Same Gribbles, the task that lay ahead was made slightly easier.

Our first trial game was against Newington College, which was our first test as a team in terms of our defensive structure and offensive patterns. Our defence relentlessly kept out the strong Newington side, who only managed to post up two tries, both of which were not converted. Our first match seemed both a success as we managed to play a respectable game although never having played together before, and also an eye opener as it showed the many flaws that needed to be worked on during our training sessions.

The game against St Augustine's showed promise as the second grade team came to the match expecting a win due to a promising effort the previous week. Two brilliant dash tries by our former speedy winger Dominic Cheung further emphasised our beliefs of coming away with a win. However, they were unfortunately not enough as a stronger St. Augustine's side was able to capitalise on several errors.

With our confidence levels not too high, we needed to prepare ourselves both mentally and physically for our next opponents in St. Andrew's. With the addition of fullback Scott Yung, our backline appeared solid. Throughout the match, our defence was commendable as we managed to hold the line, not allowing the opposing team to work their moves. A brilliant try from Shadman Ali, who glided past the entire team restored optimism, which was to no avail as our fitness levels began to reflect through the scoreboard.

Our next match was against Armidale and the boys felt that they were ready for anything that came their way. After our long trip, our energy levels were low. An intercept try from Derek Trang came too late to provide us with a chance of coming back from a large deficit, the end score being 51-7.

The result of our game against Joeys was quite a surprise to us, with Nathan Kok and myself returning from injury. However, this was not enough to get us over the line to put up points on the board. We were able to come away with a 31-0 loss to a powerful Joey's side, with Nathan Kok sustaining yet another injury from a wild tackle that put an early end to his season.

The holidays came as a gift to us as it presented us with two weeks of solid training and a rest period to reignite our season. The match against Newington College seemed very promising as we had a great deal of time to prepare against a side that we had marginally lost to. A try from myself in the opening to minutes of the game boosted our morale as we appeared to be on our way to our first victory of the season. However, glimpses in lack of concentration and poor post defence lead the Newington side to capitalise on our mistakes. With the muddy pit in the middle of the field, a comeback was definitely going



Second Fifteen

Back Row: M.Zhang, S.Siddiqui, E.Ovadia, N.Lomov, D.Do, L.Lu.
Second Row: I.Zaman, A.Gong, D.Tran (Vice Captain), J.Moffat, D.Trang, J.Cai.
Front Row: M.Wong, N.Kok, J.Nguyen (Captain), Mr M.Smith (Coach), T.Xu, L.Ming, S.Danziger.
Absent: S.Ali, Mr S.Gribble (Coach).

to be hard. Another try under the posts from myself was not enough to bring us back on top, eventually losing 17-10 to the opposing team.

After a solid week of training from the boys, we entered the match against Shore with our heads held high. With the return of centre David Tran, who was played on the wing in the previous match, we were prepared to come away with our first win of the season. Our efforts at training really reflected in our post defence on the weekend, with numerous tries held up, keeping the score nil all at half time. A line break from Jesse Moffat saw him cross the line for our first try, giving us the lead early in the second half. However, a few lapses in concentration led to the Shore side scoring twice late in the second half to secure their 10-5 victory.

A difficult assignment against The Scots College, was made harder as many of our players committed religiously to Ramadan whilst two of our players, Nick Lomof and Isnad Zaman, sustained ankle injuries during the game. The Scots side crossed our line several times to put us away for the game.

Our final match of the season against Grammar was always going to be a tough one, as every ounce of effort put into training led up to this grudge match. Like our match against Shore, our goal line and post defence was outstanding, shutting down Grammar on numerous occasions and saving plenty of tries. An intercept from Shadman Ali saw him run 70m to score an amazing solo try, which gave us hope of winning to close out our season. Severe knee injuries to David Tran and Tristan Xu forced our team to lift our performance, however too late coming away with a disappointing 24-7 loss to Grammar.

With the season over, it was unfortunate that our efforts both at training and in our matches did not reflect on the points we scored. Nonetheless, the season had been very enjoyable, with each player contributing a different aspect to the team that truly made it second grade. Special mentions must go to Shimon Danzinger, whose kicks in play were very judicious, Eric Ovadia and Andrew Gong whose leadership in the forwards enabled everyone else to lift their game, David Tran who defined the meaning of big hits after coming back from injury, Shadman

Ali whose words of wisdom will not be forgotten, Michael Zhang who continued to improve week after week, and to all the coaches who made our enjoyable season possible. Playing rugby at High with everyone will be sorely missed.

Jim Nguyen, Captain

16A Rugby

The 16A's had a mixed season, from the highs of beating Newington B's in a trial game and Oxley A's to the lows against St Joseph's and Scots. However, the season should not be judged by the results, but by the commitment put in by every single player.

After some good results in the trials and a close game against TAS, everyone was confident about the first game. However, with the first two games washed out and little training in between due to weather, coming up against a well-drilled St Joseph's side is never easy. After 10 minutes it was obvious we were not fit or strong enough to compete with them, with the end score at 60 – 0.

It did prove to be a good wake-up call though, as the

next game against Newington everyone played better and we proved we could play at this level, conceding our first try only 5 minutes from the full time siren.

After the close loss against Newington, everyone was confident for our midweek trip to Oxley College in Bowral. After the two hour road trip we were a little bit restless and tired, but after scoring the first try we never looked back, winning 26-5, although this score was not an accurate reflection of our dominance during the game as we let many opportunities slip.

This gave us confidence for our next game against Shore. We played brilliantly in the first half, and the second was even better. Losing 22-5 was a great effort. The Scots game was always going to be a tough one and unfortunately we produced the worst performance of the year and were beaten by 50 points. Heading into the last game against Grammar our first half was the greatest half of rugby by the 16A's this year with Grammar ahead only 7-0, with their try coming from an intercept. The second half wasn't as good as we were all completely exhausted from the



16A Fifteen

Back Row: S.Subramaniam, M.Jones, B.Wilcox, T.Montanaro, D.Andrews, C.Stack, T.Ling. **Second Row:** E.Li, S.Martin, J.Garay, T.Hang, T.Gollan, M.Phung, P.Prabaharan. **Front Row:** O.Sabau, K.Wong, J.Moffat, Mr A.Cipolla (Coach), L.Lu, R.Gu, K.Gunaratne. first half, however we stuck at it and we could hold our heads high with the score at 25-0.

On a final note, I would like to thank all the parents who supported us throughout the season and Mr Scrivner, Mr Aldous and TJ for their tireless efforts this season.

Jesse Moffat

15B Rugby

The Sydney High 15B team of 2010 is a most committed group of boys. Throughout the entire topsy-turvy season, ridden with player injuries and set-backs, our team has shown its courage by holding our ground against some of the best rugby schools in the state.

To kick off an uncertain winter season ahead of us, we competed against a strong Newington B's team, losing only by a margin of one try, a very promising result. However, our hopes were once again dashed after being beaten by the Cowper team four tries to one at the Armidale trip. Due to a flow of inconsistent interchanges of players between teams, coupled

with the injuries of several players, our team would not see victory for at least another month.

The beginning of the rugby season in Term 3 saw the long awaited return of Ollie Kirk to our team. The spirits of our entire team were uplifted and the training fields of Moore Park filled as the boys trained, eager for victory.

On the 7th of August, our team emerged victorious against the Shore School three tries to one, followed by another victory the following week five tries to two, this time against the Scots College. We were definitely gaining momentum towards the precipice, the traditional end of season clash against the Grammar Bs.

However, we couldn't help being intimidated by the haunting memories of last year's season. It was a 70-0 nightmare of a season's ending but this year we would have our revenge.

Driven by pure determination we fought against the overwhelming odds and pulled away with an early lead in the first half, three tries to one. Despite the impressive start, the sheer courage, resolve and



15A Fifteen

Back Row: E.Zhang, O.Duffy, R.Mahajan, E.Kelly, M.Jones. **Second Row:** Mr D.Smith (Coach), D.Bui, A.Wu, N.Rahman, J.Chung, A.Blomberg (Coach). **Front Row:** N.Tang, L.Chjung, R.Ko, J.Garay, T.Li, W.Chang, C.Kuan.



15B Fifteen

Back Row: L.Zhang, M.Stojanovik, K.Kuan, D.Keogh, O.Kirk. **Second Row:** B.He, S.Wang, V.Thayalan, L.Katupitiya, W.Choi, J.Zhu. **Front Row:** J.Vuong, R.Xi, S.Sivayogarayan, M.Li, T.Chen, T.Li, M.Chao.



15C Fifteen

Back Row: J.Cho, D.Keogh, E.Cao, R.Dewan, A.Zhou.
Second Row: R.Xi, W.Ma, V.Thayalan, R.Chen, S.Wang, J.Yeung.
Front Row: J.Vuong, D.Vo, V.Puvanendran, S.Sivayogarayan, L.Katupitiya, J.Dao, M.Chao.



14A Fifteen

Back Row: J.Liu, K.Chen, M.Chang, Y.Shi, E.Li.
Second Row: J.Wang, R.Fang, N.Anson, T.Chung, G.Chen, A.Bui.
Front Row: H.Lam, T.Pham, C.Shi (Captain), Mr M.Pavone (Coach), S.Comninos, E.Lee, K.Lau.

internal strength of the boys actually showed in the second half. Our adrenaline and endurance had been sapped. However, we repelled every blow they could throw at our defence, and held our ground despite our fading physical strength. The intense feeling of joy that everyone felt when the whistle blew to signify our victory 24 – 15 was…indescribable.

It is all pretty clear that all this would not have been possible without the grinding training sessions set up by our awesome coaches and the ongoing support from parents and staff. Congratulations on a really great season, and I would better see you all next year.

Michael Li

14A Rugby

The 2010 season kicked off with a new outlook for the 14A's with new players entering the team. The newest members of the team were Charlie Shi, Ray Fang, Tim Chung, Kavan Chen and Terence Pham. The team was headed for a great season. In addition to all the new players, the great coach in Mark Pavone completed the puzzle, before the season had even started. The team was solid in all aspects but still had a few weaknesses to work on.

The 14A's opened the season against Newington. Extremely nervous ahead of the game as it was the first game the in six months. From the start, the 14A's punished the Newington players out wide using the speed of their backs. They put points on the board in a hurry thanks to newcomer Terence Pham and the power of the forwards as well. The Newington team was constantly on the back foot until the last 10 minutes. During that period, the 14A's were on their own line defending the oncoming forces of Newington. In their constant efforts and courage, the 14A's saved 2 tries and held the opposition out of their try zone. They came out on top with a convincing win.

With a great start to the season, the hard work persisted throughout trainings and games with the High 14A's winning 6 of their following 8 games. The only losses during that period were to St Augustine's and Sydney Grammar. Despite the losses, the team was building team chemistry and consistency and continuity in their play. These things showed in their six wins especially in the wins against Armidale, Ashfield and Randwick.

The Armidale experience for the 2010 season was a great way for the new 14A's team to bond and build



14B Fifteen

Back Row: K.Ho, A.Joseph, B.Zhou. **Second Row:** A.Qian, B.Guan, A.Feng, J.Jian, P.Chen, B.Angell. **Front Row:** A.Chen, J.Zhang, M.Liu, T.Chung, H.Xu, M.Hughes, J.Ng



14C Fifteen

Back Row: R.Tan, J.Freiberg, D.Zhang, K.Lieu, S.Bell, W.Gong, A.Dao, H.Gu, A.Rong. **Front Row:** J.Norman, B.Vu, K.Pan, W.Liu, S.Lin, J.Tang, J.Li. on their good start to the season. Traditionally, the annual encounter with Armidale has always been close and hard fought. This battle was no exception. The only difference was the score line. The 14A's structure was outstanding, withstanding Armidale. In addition, the 14A's were able to fight their way over the line for tries. The game ended with a convincing 48-5 win by High.

The season continued with many valiant efforts against top rugby schools like St Josephs and Shore. The GPS season record for the season was 2-3 with great wins over Newington and Scots. Throughout these games consistent contributors were James Wang, Steve Comninos, Michael Chang, Eugene Lee, Terence Pham and Edwin Li.

The Best and Fairest player of the season was Michael Chang with his amazing effort and strength in every game. Michael was often assisted by Steve Comninos, working as a dynamic duo in the front line. Steve Comninos was the Player's Player of the 2010 season. Steve was a dominant force every game using his versatility, strength and his quickness to beat the opposition. The Coaches' Award for the 2010 rugby season was awarded to Charlie Shi, the on-field general, directing the team around the field. Special mentions go to Terence Pham, Eugene Lee, James Wang and Edwin Li for their amazing play during the season.

The amazing season could not have been as great without the guidance of Mr Pavone and Ben Stamati. They provided the team with a common goal and motivation. In addition, their coaching helped improve the skill level of the team dramatically and so at the end of the season the 14A's were not pretenders, but contenders.

Charlie Shi

14B Rugby

The 14B season had an excellent start with a win over Newington 27-22. The rest of the games we played were also positive. In the first half we would play incredibly well, usually winning nearly all the scrums and making good line-breaks. However, in the second half the opponent would take the lead.

During the season, we learnt many attacking and defending techniques such as the "black wall". Despite the constant changing of fly halves, we got used to each other's style of play and became close friends. The last few games of the season were outstanding, with us drawing with Scots 20 all. The

last game against Grammar was probably the best game we played all season, which we won 27-5. The Player's player was Kenneth Ho, Most Improved was Jason Zhang, and Michael Liu was the Best and Fairest award winner.

Thanks to Shahar for coaching us and helping to improve our individual skills and teamwork. Thanks also to Arunan for coaching our backs and teaching us cool back moves and to all the parents for making High Rugby one of the most enjoyable experiences in our lives.

Alan Qi

14C Rugby

The 14Cs had a great rugby season in 2010, counting the fact that half of us were newcomers and the other half were veterans from last year's painful rugby season.

We started the trial season off with a few wins against the other GPS schools, but unfortunately, we did lose to Armidale. Even though this loss did affect us, we kept up our team spirit and started training with our wonderful coach, Mr. Moody, who set us a pre-season goal of defeating Grammar. Our team training continued training all throughout the holidays, where, unfortunately, one of our more useful jumpers received a shoulder injury from training. Even though he did receive a blow to the shoulder, he didn't miss out on many games as our playing fields were nearly all rained out. As more and more games were cancelled, our game stimulation subsided and most of our team started to skip training. By the next game we actually played, our team was too rusty to even pass the ball to one another, leaving us with a massive loss. After that match, we opened our eyes to what we had become and started to train as a team like never before, and by the end of the season, we accomplished our goal of beating grammar and put up a massive fifty points to nil on them. Our Most Valuable player was Wenbo Gong, and our Most Improved Player was Stephan Bell.

Weber Liu

14D Rugby

The 14D's had a very good season despite the several cancelled games due to the rain. When we did play, we played games against Barker, St Joseph's, Shore and Grammar. Our first games were a bit weak but as we played more games, we got



14D Fifteen

Back Row: B.Vu, H.Liu, W.Liu, S.Bell, W.Gong, R.Tan. **Second Row:** G.Liu, A.Tran, S.Wang, A.Dao, L.De Fonseka, C.Ketkeo. **Front Row:** J.Freiberg, D.Saggar, S.Saleh, A.Xing, J.Tang, K.Pan, J.Jo.



13A Fifteen

Back Row: A.Yuan, V.Lin, K.Liang, H.Feng, B.Xie, D.Duong, B.Jiang. **Second Row:** A.Han, R.Yi, J.Nixon, A.Liu, A.Chen, M.Chan.

Front Row: J.Tinker, L.Lee, Mr C.W.Barris (Coach), J.Leo (Captain), Mr A.M.Hannon (Coach), J.Tan, N.Wang-Ly.

better and thus, we started to win. We won our last two games, which were against Shore and Grammar. Our last game, against Grammar, was our best game, of which we won 44-5. Throughout the whole season, we had an incomplete team of ten people but we had support from the 14C's, who backed us up in every game. Our highest point scorer was fly half Jay Norman.

Kin Pan and Anthony Tran, both of whom only started Rugby this year, were exceptional players and have improved substantially. Kin played great in the backs, replacing Jay Norman as he got promoted to the 14C's and Anthony Tran showed his talent against the Grammar 14C's when he scored two tries.

I would like to thank all the players, the parents who helped out and give a special thanks to Mr Moody and Alden Kwok, who were our coaches during the season.

Alfred Xing

13A Rugby

The 13A's rugby season was a thoroughly enjoyable one. The team comprised of both Year 8 and 7 players, some who had never even played a single game before. Therefore we went into our first game against Newington feeling inexperienced. Despite this, we overcame Newington fairly easily. Feeling pretty confident, we went into our next game against St Augustine's College, where we got smashed. They ran in tries every few minutes. It was after that game where we realised that we weren't so great and that there was much that needed fixing. A lot was learned from that game, and Mr Hannon and Mr Barris made sure that we overcame many of the basic errors in our game.

The trip up to Armidale was a definite highlight of the season, where we endured having only a few hours of sleep in the cold conditions. It was a tough, hard-fought match, with TAS taking the game out in the final few minutes.

Our team was plagued with various injuries throughout the year, with Rex Yi breaking his arm in the trial game against Grammar forcing him to sit out the rest of the season. Victor Lin and Nathan Wang-Ly also sustained some injuries, which made them sit out several games as well. These injuries forced us to bring up several players from our 13B's side.

The games against Kings and St Ignatius were rained out, which allowed us valuable rest to recuperate for the upcoming games. After suffering

a major defeat at the hands of the technically precise St Josephs side, we brought the final few weeks of the season to a strong close.

The rematch against Newington showed how much we had progressed throughout the year. We played one man down for over half a game, only conceding two converted tries, thanks to our much improved defence. With our hooker finally arriving, it provided a much needed confidence booster and we rallied strongly to score two tries (one converted) in the final 8 minutes. Unfortunately time wasn't on our side and the game concluded with a final score of 14-12.

We entered the next game against Shore with our confidence levels down after taking a narrow loss the week before. We ended up taking that game with a convincing win, 27-7. Our final two games were probably the best rugby we had played the whole season. Against Scots we played to the best of our abilities for most of the game, with a lapse of concentration allowing them for a chance at a win, but we managed to close it out with three consecutive tries. The final game against Grammar was set to be a great match, with our side wanting to hit back after a disappointing loss to them in the trial rounds. In the first half, we went try for try and at half time the score was 21-10 their way. We then put on the gas and scored two consecutive tries to put us ahead by one point. But we couldn't hold the intensity, and we ended up letting in 3 straight tries to lose 42-22.

I would like to thank Mr Hannon and Mr Barris for being brilliant coaches, and teaching us to play as a team. Also I'd like to thank all the parents for providing valuable support and some players from the 13B's for backing us up if we needed them.

Joshua Leo

13B Rugby

With our team comprising of 16 players, of whom 15 were rookies, winning games was difficult. But our team had untapped talents. A little bit of standard practice was all we needed to refine our skills. We proudly drew our first game against Newington. The team was wonderfully bright, energetic and eager to play. However we seemed to lack determination in most of our games. But despite our losses, our loss of points grew thinner and thinner with an epic conclusion against Grammar where our boys displayed the true High Spirit and determination needed to hold off most of Grammar's attack. I can see many great things happening in the future.



13B Fifteen

Back Row: M.Jun, K.Lu, T.Zhang, P.King.
Second Row: K.Jin, N.Bari, A.So, M.Betbeder-Matibet, H.Zhu, M.Wu.
Front Row: J.Vo, Z.Hung, P.Mai, H.Gu (Captain), D.Bang, B.Kong, R.Saha.



13C Fifteen

Back Row: B.Mo, W.Lu, M.Xin, B.Dang, M.Siu. Second Row: H.Liu, B.Thai, B.Chan, B.Fu, M.Lam, G.Chen. Front Row: J.Zhou, J.Li, Y.D.Luo, T.George, K.Liang, A.Narula, S.Si.



13D Fifteen

Back Row: G.He, J.Zhou, L.Huyen, J.Yang, Z.Hung. **Second Row:** D.Ha, T.Jiang, V.Gao, C.Chen, W.Chang, Mr G.Stein (Coach). **Front Row:** W.Chow, J.Park, S.Nagaraj, T.Nassif, D.Fang, A.Khondaker, D.Gordon.

Zachary Hung improving in his tackles, Michael Jun becoming a very good rugby player, Kevin Lu is the best at smashing the ball up into the opposition with his uncanny footwork and Niyazul's straight running. The only thing I do not understand is that we do not start trying with all our might until after 2 tries have been scored against us. Since when we do try, things turn our way. I encourage to all rugby players, switch on and try your hardest.

I would like to thank Samson for his enthusiastic coaching. The team's continuing efforts and all the people involved in preparation for the matches that made this team such a wonderful bunch of people.

Howard Gu

13D Rugby

The 13D's rugby team consisted of many players who had never played the rugby before. We were faced with the task of playing more experienced players, playing at the E, F, G and H levels. This was not helped by the fact that all the rain we had during the season played its part and we missed out on vital game time.

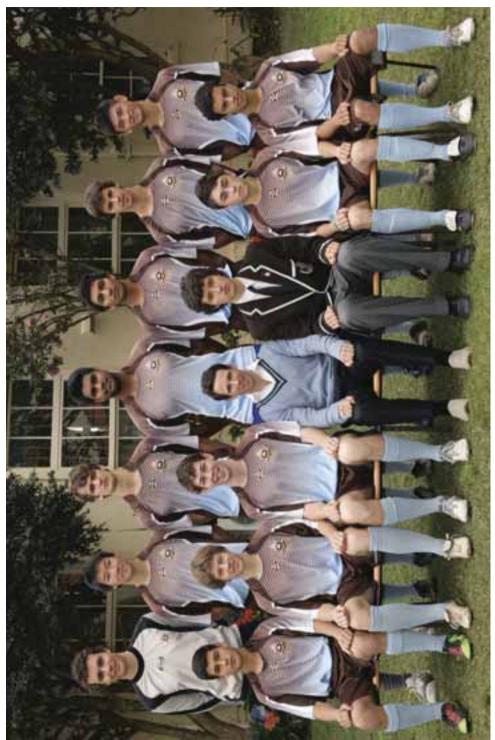
One of our first games was against TAS 12A's and two well deserved and worked-for tries showed glimpses of what good was to come. Although we had some big scores wracked up against us including that against St Augustine's where we lost 5-50, every player continued to grow and improve their skills of the game. The margins between losses started to grow thinner as both our attack and defence improved drastically from the beginning of the year and a well-deserved 34-0 win against Riverview H's came in the second last game of the season. We lost our last game to Riverview G's only narrowly 19-29 after a great second half rally.

Best and Fairest Award – Thomas Nassif Coaches Award – Jun Park Players' Player award – Jeremy Yang

On behalf of all the players thank you Mr. Stein for teaching us all the great skills of playing rugby. Also a thank you to the B's and C's who have helped out as reserves throughout the season and to their and all the other player's parents for being so supportive of the team.

Thomas Nassif, Captain

Football



First Grade Football

Front Row: J.Koukouras, S.Lane, A.Paul (Captain), Mr A.Bennie (Coach), K.Taylor (Vice Captain), G.Wong-Romeo, J.Rajendram. Back Row: J.Sutton, W.Shao, M.Carr, D.Pious, N.Bhagwat, R.Caetano, A.Fong.

MIC Football Report

2010, Sydney High Football fielded 29 teams, with over 450 boys participating. This was again one of the largest numbers of teams in the AAGPS. Numbers were again strong in the seniors, with 10 opens teams. It is great to see so many boys involved and experiencing the benefits of competitive team sport.

Football at High cannot function without the support of staff and coaches. Thank you to Ms Dam, Ms Eggleton, Ms Genias, Mr Jones, Mr Kay, Ms Eadie and Ms Hybler. All these staff members generously gave of their time each Saturday to enable Sydney High to participate in the GPS competition.

Season 2010 saw Sydney High recruit several high quality coaches in an effort to raise the standard of play, particularly at the A and B grade levels. To all our coaches, both new and long serving, thank you for your efforts this year. I hope you had an enjoyable season and are able to continue your association with your team in 2011.

This year, an advanced training program was implemented for talented players from years 7, 8 and 9, who had been targeted as potential 1st and 2nd grade players of the future. I believe that it is an essential step in educating the junior boys in what is required from a training and commitment point of view, as well as focusing on developing the core skills of each player.

The football referees course was run again this year, with 20 boys participating. They supplemented our core group of referees from last year to help officiate at our home matches each Saturday. Thank you to all that helped out, including on occasions parents and coaches. I'd like to also like to recognise the efforts of Liam Aylmer and Kieran Taylor who volunteered to arrange the referees each week.

Throughout the season I had the opportunity to watch many High teams. For most of the 13s players it was their first experience of organised, competitive football and their early results reflected this fact. Pleasingly, as the season progressed the boys made significant improvements, as did their results.

I was particularly impressed with the style of play displayed by the 15A and 16A teams. Skillful and well structured, their results against all teams point to a bright future.

At the 1st and 2nd XI level, the efforts and

commitment of the squad, along with coaches Andrew Bennie and Mehdi Hazrati unfortunately were not reflected in their results. At the top level GPS football is incredibly competitive; the margin for error very small and the result of the game can be determined by one single passage of play. The story of the season was that we didn't win enough of those critical moments.

After an absence of a year or two, the annual old boy's fixture was played once again this year. 1st XI coach Andrew Bennie, got the word around, successfully attracting 30 or so former High football greats, including Brant Wong class of 79, to take on the current 1st and 2nd XIs. It was terrific to catch up with the old boys who still have a great passion for football at High. Surprisingly, considering the "experience" of some of the old boys, there were no serious injuries.

I would like to acknowledge the efforts of the Football committee this year. They organised a number of excellent initiatives, including the 14s football camp at Abbotsford and a BBQ at the last home game at Moore Park as well as organizing the season ending football dinner. A strong parent committee is vital in the development of the football at High. Thank you to Jason Chen for coordinating parking this year along with all the parking volunteers.

Finally I would like to thank all the players who turned out each Saturday for Sydney High this year. For many it means getting up very early and relying on public transport to get you to your games on time. It is a demonstration of your commitment to your team, your coach and Sydney High Football that you do so each week. To you all, I hope you enjoyed your season and I hope you improved as a player and are looking forward to next year.

Major achievements and award winners for season 2010

Congratulations to Antony Paul (GPS 1sts) and Sam Lane (GPS 2nds) for their selection in the GPS representative teams this year. With the quality of players in the GPS comp, it is a terrific achievement to be selected in GPS representative teams.

Dolan Cup winners – 10th grade Golden Glove winner – Alan Fu (16B) Golden Boot winner – Phillip Nguyen (6th Grade)

MIC Football, Mr R Gifford

GPS Competition Tables

1st Grade

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SIC	7	-	-	17	4	21
Shore	4	1	2	12	7	13
SJC	4	-	3	7	7	12
TKS	2	3	2	12	15	9
NC	2	2	3	8	4	8
SGS	2	1	4	9	14	7
SBHS	1	1	5	5	12	4
TSC	1	1	5	6	13	4

Player of the year award winners:

1st	Antony Paul	6th	Phillip Nguyen	16A	Gavin Sutton
2nd	Scott Renzenbrink	7th	Vincent Wang	16B	Allen Fu
3rd	Enoch Hui	9th	Francis Lin	16C	Sudam Dias
4th	Ashwin Rudder	10th	Denny Chandra	16D	Thomas Nguyen
5th	Hayden Schilling			16E	Ankur Paul
15A	Alexander Pereira	14A	Sida Wang	13A	Adilmorad Nadir
15B	Safat Sufian	14B	Brian Truong	13B	Varunan Muruganathan
15C	Tim Pillion	14C	Andrew Cheung	13C	Raunak Sura
15D	Ken Huang	14D	Josh Lane	13D	Rolland Lin.
15E	Bob Jin	14E	Perry Sim		

First Grade Football

First Grade Football 2010 was a strong team with a good balance of experience and new young talent. Although we didn't achieve the results we were capable of, we enjoyed a memorable season with the return of old boy coach Andrew Bennie taking First Grade, and new arrival Mehdi Hazrati taking Second Grade.

Our first challenge of the season came in the form of the CHS Knockout. We demolished Alexandria Park 10-0 in round one, and faced Belmore Boys the following round. After going down 1-0, super-sub Rafat scored in the dying minutes to take it 1-1, putting the match into golden goal extra time, and then a goal scored by myself off Mike's free kick gave us the win. Although the match was followed by somewhat of an altercation with the Belmore Boys, we conducted ourselves well and took confidence from our performance in the match. Round three against Port Hacking was disappointing, going down in an eight-shot penalty shootout (well over the regulation five) after a 0-0 finish. Being eliminated in such a harsh way was tough, but we were satisfied with having achieved one of the school's best results in recent years. Unfortunately we couldn't replicate our success in the CAS knockout, where we were knocked out by Barker (eventual CAS runners-up) in round two.

Among several other trial matches, including the preseason St Andrew's Cup, we travelled up to

Armidale for the now annual match. Our trial matches had been giving us a good opportunity to try out different tactics and combinations, and the match at Armidale was no exception. Playing under lights on a massive field was challenging, but we executed our passing game nonetheless, earning a 2-1 win in front of a great High crowd.

Our first GPS match was away at Newington. Dressed in somewhat psychedelic jerseys, and missing key defenders Avindu and Andrew to injury, we played excellently in the first half against the premiership favourites. Unfortunately, a strong header off a well-hit cross gave Newington the lead in the second half, and things only got worse as key midfielder Sam was sent off for his second yellow card. Newington later converted a penalty, before scoring a third goal in the dying minutes as we focused on an attacking comeback. Given that we'd just had a few moments of bad luck, 3-0 was a disappointing result, but we took confidence from the first half. Round two at Kings, however, is one we'd rather forget. We played without the focus we needed, and were also missing Sam (on suspension), Andrew (injured), and Avindu (played two minutes before being re-injured and ruled out for the season - a major loss). Although Jeremy scored the first goal of the match, we found ourselves outplayed, and a consolation goal scored by myself at the end of the match did little to help the final 6-2 score line.

With a five week break between matches, we put in hard work over the holidays to recover form the Kings match. Unfortunately, our next match away at Shore was heartbreaking nonetheless. Against an eminently beatable side, we seemed to be suffering from a curse when finishing in front of goal, and our four mistakes translated into four goals for Shore. Ryan's goal gave some hope of a comeback, but the score stayed at 4-1. With not much to lose away at premiership contenders St Joseph's, we came out firing and finally re-found our form from the first half against Newington. Virtually the entire St Joseph's boarding school came to watch, and on a slippery field in front of the biggest crowd I've seen at a GPS match, Kieran's header gave us a 1-0 lead. St Joseph's had us under pressure for the rest of the match, but our defence held strong, including Nakul, who's desperate defence had him stop a goal but also tear his hamstring in the process. Although St Joseph's scored near the end of the match, we were proud of the quality of our performance and the 1-1 score line, a feeling added to by the amazing atmosphere of the crowd (even if they were nearly all opposition supporters).

We went into the next match against Scots lacking more players than already, with Nakul (who was out for the season) and myself unable to play. Despite outclassing Scots in general play, they somehow managed to slot home two goals, matching the two scored by Jeremy and Jim. A 2-2 result was frustrating, because much like our match against Shore, we knew we were better than them. The next match against Riverview was another where we just fell short of the line; Riverview were clinical in front of goal in a way that we weren't, converting our three mistakes into three goals. Josh had had a particularly good game in goals, however, so even though the 3-0 score line didn't reflect it, we knew we'd played well against the eventual Premiers, and took that confidence into the final round against Grammar. This turned out to be a great game, and an excellent way to send off the year 12's at Mckay. In a very close match, we found ourselves 2-0 down with not long to go. But Jeremy scored an excellent individual goal right near the end, confirming his position as top scorer of the season and giving us a good chance. Then, with just one minute to go, substitute Joseph scored to level the game at 2-2, much to the frustration of the Grammar captain (who was red carded for spitting at the referee). As a final result, a draw might not have been everything we were capable of, but it felt like a win thanks to the great character and persistence we showed in coming from 2-0 down to earn it.

While our results in GPS didn't reach our potential, the efforts of our team cannot be faulted. In many ways, we suffered from bad luck, with just one or two mistakes costing us entire games. Aside from team results, we had Sam Lane selected in the successful combined GPS Second Grade side, with our coach Andrew Bennie as GPS Seconds coach, and myself in the successful GPS First Grade team. Thanks for this season must go to our coach, Andrew Bennie, who has now been a strong First Grade coach for two years. Mehdi Hazrati, Second Grade coach, also had an important role in the formation of our team, as did Kai Lammert. Thanks also to Mr Gifford for his efforts as MIC of football, who has again led a well organised season. Lastly, thanks all the parents and supporters who helped make football 2010 such an enjoyable season.

Antony Paul, Captain

Second Grade Football

Second Grade this year was very much a new team with only a few players having experience in the opens division during the previous year. With Coach Mehdi Hazradhi joining the SBHS football programme, the team was geared towards building a strong foundation, rapidly developing a structured style of play. These goals seemed somewhat distant with performances in trial games, including a loss to Sydney Grammar, disappointing and frustrating. Despite the results, everyone was driven to only improve all they could for forthcoming games.

By the time the annual trip to The Armidale School arrived, we were hungry for a win. Following the emphatic match of 1st Grade on the previous night, 2nd grade began a game of domination that TAS could not salvage. Goals from Jim Koukouras and Casper Price as well as a double assist for Nema Adel and clean sheet for David Ma saw the first win of the season secured. When comparing the way the team played to only a few weeks before, there was a huge degree of improvement – much of which came down to the expertise and coaching ability of Mehdi Hazradhi.

The GPS season began against a strong Newington side renowned for their long ball "tactics". While ambitions were high, 2nd grade were overpowered to eventually go down 3-0 and lose the match. The next week the team produced a performance of much improved organisation and execution that saw us secure a 1-1 draw against Kings that most importantly saw the surprise substitute of 3rd grade's Siva Sooriakumar, who not only scored the equaliser but would go on to join 2nd grade and become the season's top scorer.

As the season progressed, improvement was steady yet mixed amongst patches of inconsistency which saw unfortunate soft losses by single goal margins until a 3-1 demolition of Scots College, who failed to influence the game or the referee in anyway what so ever. A first goal for Year 12 winger Joseph Braverman and the continuing rampage of Sivasaran were simply too much.

While the season ended with a disappointing rematch and loss to Grammar, the final game could be compared against our very first trial to see just how far we had come in terms of improving our football. Keeper David Ma continued to show a new found joy in rushing out of his box to make last ditch saves, Rafat Kamal monstered through the end of

the seasons despite injury to his collateral something, Gabriel Garayalde began to shine with some magical passes after a long period out, Andy Liu was on the verge of scoring from numerous half way free kicks, Andrew Huynh had twice come just as close to be denied by an unfortunately positioned post and the team as a whole had truly come a long way. With the Year 12s; David Ma, Rafat Kamal, Paul Simos, Julian Ubaldi, Joseph Braverman, Andy Liu and Nema Adel, playing their final game for high, a large portion of the team was leaving yet amidst notable talent in both Year 11 and 10 players that will continue to benefit the Sydney high football programme. Young players in Raymond Hua, Andreas Purcel and most improved player Scott Rezenbrink, all made up the strong Year 10 contingent that became a part of not only 2nd grade, but 1st grade as well, each making an appearance at the higher level.

The 2010 2nd XI squad: David Ma, Rafat "annihilator" Kamal, Paul Simos, Joseph Braverman, Julian Ubaldi, Andreas Purcel, Raymond Hua, Scott Rezenbrink, Casper Price, Siva Sooriakumar, Gabriel Garayalde, Andrew Huynh, Andy Liu (VC), Nema Adel (C).

Nema Adel

Third Grade Football

Following a year of dominance and success, the Year 12's returned for another season of the GPS soccer competition. The squad was invigorated with the injection of Year 11's who brought their own style of football to the table. The season started off with a match against our cross-town rivals Grammar and the team was eager to start on a good note. The match was a stark reminder of how much training was required, as fitness levels significantly levelled off after half time. Despite our lack of match fitness, we put up a valiant effort, with two superb goals from Tony Xiao and Siva, going down 3-2 at the final whistle. With the unfortunate state of terrible weather during the season, we didn't get onto the pitch for a few consecutive weeks, and instead had to remain content with the mere thought of soccer in the distant future.

One of our more memorable matches occurred in the second last week of competition, where we faced traditional strongholds, St. Ignatius. High started off positively, with Enoch Hui providing the incisive pass for Tony Xiao, our top scorer, to score between the keepers legs within the first five minutes of play. However, St. Ignatius soon started to press and eventually scored a goal from a set



Second Grade Football

Back Row: P.Simos, D.Ma, A.Purcal.

Second Row: S.Renzenbrink, J.Braverman, B.Hancock, A.Liu, A.Fong, R.Hua. **Front Row:** S.Sooriakumar, C.Price, R.Kamal (Vice Captain), N.Adel, A.Huynh, G.Garayalde, J.Ubaldi.



Third Grade Football

Back Row: B.Cheng, T.Xiao, S.Sandhu, M.Tugnait, S.Beston. **Front Row:** P.Baweja, A.Guo, M.Kobras (Vice Captain), B.Li (Captain), K.Gian, M.Fong, E.Hui. piece. The match was evenly matched at half-time with the scores at 1-1. The match stayed even throughout most of the second half, however one lapse in concentration cost us a precious goal. The scoreline could've been worse if not for the quick reactions and a great save by our resident keeper Sameep Sandhu. We couldn't decrease the deficit despite our best efforts, going down 2-1.

The final match saw us face Grammar again, in what was to be a fierce match. High started off positively and immediately pressed the Grammar defence. We dominated the midfield and created most of the attacking options, putting immense pressure on the Grammar defence. High was unlucky not to get a goal, with numerous shots on goal and a couple of shots hitting the post. The second half was much the same, with High hardly giving any chances to the Grammar strikers while controlling the midfield, however we just couldn't find that defining goal and the match ended in a 0-0 draw.

I would like to say a quick thank you to Mr. Gifford for his words of wisdom on Saturdays and for his untiring efforts on Wednesday afternoons, which were much appreciated. Finally, a thank you to the Third Grade boys for a great season of football and good luck for the future!

Fourth Grade Football

4th grade's season was based on the words of Mohit Tugnait who once said, "Once you have learned to love, you have learned to live." With this in mind, 4th grade sought to dominate week after week. Our leading goal scorer over the season was Tony Luo, who was indestructible at the front with his unmatched finesse. Special mention should also go to Derek Wei who was a very consistent player over the season whose Gerrard-esque touch of the ball left the opposition in awe. Dave Sutton was also a very solid performer who played at centre back for most of the season, often being called a 'brick wall' due to his powerful stance and explosive runs. Tony Silveira improved his passing greatly over the season. His accurate passes often left the opposition stunned. Our season reached its peak when we beat St Joseph's 2-0 at their home ground with only 9 players. This was testament to 4th grade's capability on the pitch and indicated vast improvement across the board. George Panas was selected in the U19s Interdistrict Bankstown/Southern Districts Tennis team. On behalf of the team I would like to thank Mr Gifford for coaching us and turning up every Saturday to give us the necessary wise words to stay competitive.

George Panas

Sixth Grade Football

Cincinnati Bengals head coach Bruce Coslet said of their 1997 season where they placed second last, We can't run. We can't pass. We can't stop the run. We can't stop the pass. We can't kick. Other than that, we're just not a very good football team right now'. In 1998, they came last.

Many parallels can be drawn between Cincinnati and sixth grade. The pessimistic coach. The apparant lack of skill. The outrageously flamboyant jerseys. The neurotic and unjustified fan base. But the appropriately nicknamed 'Flaming Dragonz' had passion. A passion that manifested itself in goal keeper Oliver. The Newington and Kings strikers will forever have nightmares of his flying elbow. Although he conceded 7 goals against Shore, the efforts of the defence maintained integrity in an extremely disciplined line up of Max, Chris Tin Loi, Arif, Jason. The sliding tackles amidst the muddy field at Northbridge, and the reckless abandon showed in the numerous ankle taps and body checks were signs of commitment rather than a plea for coordination. In midfield, Raiyan had an ironically strong presence when he turned up. Surprises were also had in the departure of 'the Hurricane' Mohit. Although consistently reminding the team of the feeling of vulnerability deep inside a man's stomach last season, Hareshan, Andrew, Patrick, the time coached Liam, the lightning fast Declan McCrea-Steele and the blacklisted off-season transfer Angud managed to step up. Chris Wong showed most improvement, marginally accounting for all previous performances over 6 years and winning man of the match against Grammar. In attack, the dogged Phillip was a stand-out player, winning the golden boot with 9 goals in 5 games. Justin was the personification of the team's competitive desire to win, and the top scorer of seasons past failed to disappoint when red carded in the final match. The team was led by the exuberant captaincy of Robert and the commitment of the perennially sun glassed, metaphorically blinded coach, Kieran. Although never realising the potential of such impassioned skill, it is important to remember winning isn't everything. And we beat Scot's 9-1.

Justin Chan



Fourth Grade Football

Back Row: S.Kinger, V.Patel, D.Sutton, H.Tran, N.Slinko, T.Silveira.

Front Row: A.Surendran, T.Luo, K.Sivayogarayan (Vice Captain), G.Panas (Captain), D.Wei, A.Rudder, C.Do.



Fifth Grade Football

Back Row: K.Fang, D.Gorey, W.Santucci, A.Saunders, I.Eveleigh, T.Li, J.Chen, J.Wormell. **Front Row:** J.Chen, A.Low, H.Schilling, P.Radhakrishnan, D.Paperny, A.Brokman, B.Jian.



Sixth Grade Football

Back Row: P.Hsiao, O.Fio, C.Wong.
Chan H.Karunakaran I. Aylmer, A.Chau

Second Row: A.Uddin, J.Chan, H.Karunakaran, L.Aylmer, A.Chawla, D.McCrea-Steele. Front Row: R.Khan, J.Ding, R.Ma (Captain), K.Taylor (Coach), M.Phillis, P.Nguyen, A.Wu.



Seventh Grade Football

Back Row: M.So, J.Saito-Patch, I.Bonch-Osmolovskiy, L.Sheldon, K.Lin, A.Mokdad. Front Row: M.Liu, V.Wang, K.Miura, M.Rosza, M.Deng, L.Lou, H.Lu.



Ninth Grade Football

Back Row: V.Le, V.Zheng, A.Ho, D.Wang, S.Bhuiyan, M.Wei. **Front Row:** F.Lin, J.Chen, J.Wang, L.Cai (Captain), R.Li, A.Chung (Vice Captain), J.Zhou.



Tenth Grade Football

Back Row: S.Dissanayake, A.Abdollahi, W.Stefanidis, A.Sarker, D.Chen, Y.Chowdhury. Second Row: C.Wu, Y.Chen, D.Park, D.Oh, S.Rashid, V.George. **Front Row:** A.Ye, M.Rahman, I.Bari, D.Chandra (Captain), T.Theivendran, A.Bhat, D.Selvakumar.

7th Grade Football

The 2010 season was very solid for 7th grade, only losing out to three clearly superior teams over the course of the whole season. Our goal-scoring machines of Ali, Vincent, Ilya and Henry repeatedly punctured their lines due to the teamwork of the midfield and attack. Our brand new goalkeeper, Matthew So had never played this position before in serious soccer matches and it must be said that he improved an enormous amount, making barely any mistakes throughout the season. Some highlights would have to be playing Shore 7th grade twice right after each other. Due to the first game being flooded ankle-deep in water and half the team not showing up, we had to borrow a few of their players and a competitive bond formed for the second game. Another highlight would have to be our sweeper scoring a goal for 8th grade when they still existed. Many thanks go to our coach, Steve Sheldon and to the multitude of teachers that looked after us whether it be on the weekend or on Wednesdays for making the season so enjoyable.

9th Grade Football

The 9th Grade Sydney High Football team had a great season for 2010. We didn't have as many games as last year due to ground closures because of wet weather, but we played well during the games that we did have. Our best game was our final game of the season against St Ignatius, where we defeated their 8ths side 3 to 1. Goals scored by Andy Ho, Vinson Zheng and Lawrence Cai and a brilliant goalkeeping effort from Francis Lin helped secure the final win of the season.

Our players were all very committed and played very well as a team. We had some losses but we learnt from our mistakes and soldiered on. We all had a good year and enjoyed the football season. Thanks to Ms Eggleton who came to our games. We are hoping for another good season next year.

Lawrence Cai

Tenth Grade

10th Grade football 2010 experienced a highly successful season, dropping only one game, and excelled as the team that would win the prestigious Dolan Cup.

Despite an irregular training regime due to bad weather, a dedicated 15 members showed up to

each game, all mentally and physically prepared, no matter how far away the game happened to be. Being a 10th Grade team, our opponent was always above our league, but not even Redlands 3rd Grade or Kings 6th Grade, who we beat 6-0, were able to put an end to our winning streak. Our only setback throughout the season was the second last game where we suffered an unfortunate loss to Kings 8th Grade, 2-1, despite Andrew Ye's outstanding efforts to bring the team up. However, our chance for redemption came the next week, when we played the exact same team. Our hopes were high and it was an extremely tight game, score stuck at 1-1 until the last two minutes, when Arman Abdollahi lived up to his reputation as top goal scorer and placed the ball into the back of the net, ending a fantastic season on a positive note.

Denny Chandra, Captain

16A Football

At the start of season 2010 the 16 A's was a team in confusion. With the introduction of new players and a seemingly endless numbers of strikers we were left with two defenders. However our coach Jason insisted that we could turn into a well organized, formidable team by the end of the season. He turned two natural wingers into some of the best defenders in the school, and added with our two natural defenders, our defence into one of the best in the league, only allowing 4 goals in throughout the season.

The 16 A's finished the season with 3 wins, 2 losses and 2 draws. Two of our best results were a 4-1 demolition of St Joseph's, and a strong 2-0 defeat of Grammar in the last game of the season. Our best goal scorers were Adam and Jerry who both scored two during the regular season, and also Alex who scored one goal during the regular season, but three in the trial games.

None of this could have been possible without our great coach Jason and on behalf of the team I thank him for all his hard work and dedication. I would also like to thank the members of the team for all their continued hard work throughout the season.

Anton Brokman

16B Football

This year the 16B's had an excellent undefeated season, with four wins and three draws from the seven games played. The most memorable game would be the 1-0 victory over St Ignatius, who were previously undefeated before the match. Both teams pushed hard, and St Ignatius used a very offensive playing style with three centre forwards and two wingers. Some great saves from Allen, combined with the back line led by Kevin Krahe kept them from having many opportunities at goal. With the mid-fielders, especially Harry, coming back to help the defence, we were able to launch numerous counter-attacks and maintain possession of the ball. This led to many opportunities to score, as once we broke through their midfielders we outnumbered them by at least two players. At last we were rewarded for our efforts with a goal in the last ten minutes.

All of the 16B's performed extremely well through the season, and everyone should be proud of their performance. As a team we had good chemistry, as many us had played in the same team since 2007. If there was a player that made the most impact, it would be Allen Fu, who only conceded two goals the whole season and won the Golden Glove award. He had many great saves which would otherwise have cost us the match. The most improved player was Lalitha, and although he only started soccer this year, easily earned his place on the team. Honestly, every player contributed with their best, and each deserves a special mention.

I'd like to thank our coach, Richard Hua, who made our season possible, and taught us the fundamentals of the game, while at the same time ensuring a fun and memorable season. I'd also like to thank Mr Gifford, MIC of soccer for arranging the games, the use of fields and equipment and the parents of the 16B's for supporting us.

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Tim Chin

16C Football

After a tremendous season in 2009, the 16C boys were keen to continue their successful run in 2010. But hopes dimmed slightly with loss of our traditional coach, Chong and a number of star players. But our new and vibrant coach, Victor Baba and the addition of Blake McGlenchy, a pre-season grade hopeful, and Ahdil Ansareen, an up and coming goalkeeper, boosted our campaign. On paper our team was potent as ever, with an impenetrable defence thanks to the likes of B. Lam, V. Nguyen, P. Wu and D. Fong. Our midfield was also quite capable, consisting of V. Chen, S. Saleh, C. Wan and M. Yim. And our strikers also had explosive potential, being nick-named by coach Victor as 'black magic', S. Dias, K. Dutta and B. McGlenchy. We also had great impact from the bench. Sadly, A. Ansareen retired after a few games and was replaced by A. Fu.

Our first few trial games proved otherwise, with a heavy defeat to Newington, it was clear that our team was lacking cohesion. With some effective training sessions, our game was improving week by week. Due to the rain, a number of games were disappointingly rained out. Thus we were only able to have games against Newington (1-0 loss), Kings



16A Football

Back Row: S.Hoque, N.Han, S.Reiyder, D.Jones, G.Sutton, D.Ghezelbash, L.Fang.

Front Row: M.Iskandar, B.Laird, J.Ren, A.Brokman (Captain), J.Zhou, A.Booth (Vice Captain), A.Hughes.



16B Football

Back Row: W.Yuan, O.Lee, M.Birch, K.Krahe, B.Jeyarasa, N.Ma, G.Liang, L.Katupitiya. Front Row: K.Visvaa, W.Lin, T.Chin (Captain), A.Fu (Vice Captain), H.Heo, C.Zhang, M.Chien.



Back Row: P.Wu, B.McGlenchy, K.Dutta.

Second Row: A.Fu, C.Wan, S.Saleh, L.Fang, V.Ye, V.Nguyen.

Front Row: D.Fong, M.Yim, S.Dias (Vice Captain), V.Chen (Captain), E.Hoque, B.Lam, N.Ooi.



16D Football

Back Row: A.Fu (Coach), R.Lee, B.McGlenchy, W.Ho, L.Nguyen, W.Zhou. Front Row: H.Wei, S.Do, C.Oei (Vice Captain), T.Nguyen (Captain), R.Manahan, S.Prusty, M.Pham. (2-1), Scots (1-1), Riverview (1-1) and Grammar (0-1 win). All in all, the C's had a terrific season. I would like to thank Victor for his commitment and spirit, the players for another great effort, parents and Mr Gifford.

Sudam Dias

16D Football

The boys of the 16D's started the football season with flying colours. In the midst of retaining the majority of the players from the team last season who were undefeated, we were confident stepping into the 2010 season. Along with the confidence, a recipe of talent, commitment and extra days of training brought the 16D's resulting mixed scores with two wins, two draws (which could've easily be won with a little bit of luck on our sides) and three losses. Our boys played in good sportsmanship spirit, cooperation and fairness in the GPS competition

My squad of the D's consisted of Chris Oei, William Ho, Rigo Manahan, Kevin Xu, Raymond Lee, Lawrence Nguyen, Jenkin Ho in the colossal defence. Will Zhou, Michael Pham, Simon Do, Hunter Wei on the mid line attack and defence and Suman Prusty and myself in the striking positions. Allen Fu as keeper of the year produced crucial goal savers for the team deserving his 'Golden Gloves' title. Blake McGlenchy took time out of his own pocket and assisted some of our wins even though he's not officially in the team. Thanks Blake.

Throughout the season, most of the games were nail-biters resulting in a margin of one or two goals. Our last game played at home against Grammar was an exceptional one because the weather was horrific (Dusty gale force winds), it was our last game played for the season and it was an intense game which we drew one all with Grammar who scored a goal in the dying minutes of the game if not, the season.

Special thanks firstly to our coach, Josh Li who assisted our ball control, defence and striking, the teachers who took their time out to encourage the boys, and the growing support from the parents and spectators who had to travel far and wide as games away proved to a gruelling trek at times. These extraordinary people along with the exuberant players of 16D's brought joy to the game and fashioned a memorable game every Saturday. See you next season, boys.

Thomas Nguyen, Captain.

16E Football

The 16E's had a great season, with each of our players rising above their own positions to bring about victory. Both of our goal keepers, one defender and all of our strikers scored in miscellaneous games. Every one of our players played to the best of their ability. Our coach, Caly coached to the best of his ability and also helped us to referee two matches. We won all our matches except the very first and very last one, which cost us the Dolan Cup to 10th grade. Our highest scorer, Michael Lam scored 7 goals throughout the season and following behind with 5 goals was Brandon Chau. Most improved players include David Zeng and Ankur Paul, who couldn't even kick a ball when they first started, but thanks to Caly's coaching they now can play soccer and contributed significantly to our games. We would like to thank Caly for his great and humorous coaching and his dedication to show up on every Saturday.

15B's Football

15Bs football team made vast improvements this winter season. We played a total of 7 games. After beginning with two major losses to Newington and Kings, our game started to improve and we avoided losing by big scores. We then played Shore and it ended in a draw (0-0) and this was the major turning point. It gave us confidence as we had a great chance of winning. After beating St Joseph's, our whole team started to gain confidence and our skills were developing through our extra training sessions. Unfortunately, we lost the last three games against Riverview, St Pious and Grammar but they were all very close and could haves been won.

A special thank you to our coach, Ollie Hough, after coaching us for two years, and helping us improve each year. This season was by far the best as we played our best football. Although, we didn't have a big training session turnout, Ollie still made it very fun and would like to appreciate of the students that turned up to training every week. These committed students included Denny Dien, Darryl Chan, Kevin Pham, Daniel Tam, Albert Kerr, Dominic Mah and Safat Sufian, who also won best player of the team voted by his team mates. Overall, this season was a success and hopefully the fine form can continue for next season.

Safat Sufain



16E Football Back Row: W.Randles, A.Lau, F.Wu, J.Yao, M.Schwarz, J.Lo, B.Chau, A.Soo.
Front Row: A.Dutta, E.Lieu, S.Trang, M.Lam (Captain), D.Wang, A.Paul, M.Nguyen.



15A Football Back Row: D.Ghezelbash, P.Rynsaart, J.Pallandi, T.Joshi, B.Leung, A.Nayak.

Front Row: C.Robinson, A.Pereira, O.Meroni (Vice Captain), A.Punekar (Captain), M.James, J.Lam, S.Thushyanthan.



15B Football

Back Row: K.Pham, D.Mah, A.Kerr, W.Koslowski, C.Mao, V.Bhakri.

Front Row: D.Chan, K.Vyas (Vice Captain), S.Sufian (Captain), D.Dien, D.Tam.

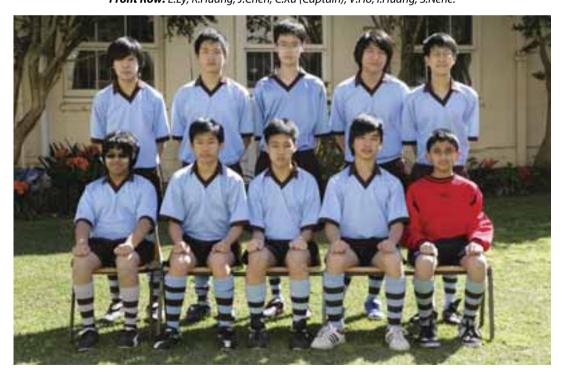


15C Football

Back Row: T.Pilien, N.Lazarus, K.Liu, B.Mo, R.Tran, E.Xu. **Front Row:** A.Kaluve, S.Luong (Vice Captain), A.Nguyen (Captain), T.Subasinghe, D.Chien. **Absent:** L.Ming (Coach).



Back Row: V.Prapakaran, C.Liu, D.Duong, A.Xu, K.Ying, D.Chen.
Front Row: E.Ly, K.Huang, J.Chen, C.Xu (Captain), V.Ho, I.Huang, S.Nene.



15E Football Back Row: K.Giang, B.Jin, J.Xu, Y.Luo, D.Wei. **Front Row:** S.Kumareswaran, T.Wu, A.Chao (Captain), S.Du, S.Hussaini.

15C Football

I would just like to start off this report by thanking our coach, Christian Katsikaros and the team. They have put a lot of effort into this season, from turning up to games and coming to morning training when the temperature was barely over 5°C, and to helping to purchase a gift for our coach. It is because of these guys, that I love football at High.

Our season was dominated by washouts. We probably had half our games cancelled due to wet weather, and I hope this improves next year. On paper we had no wins, several draws and a couple of losses. This, in my opinion, was a drastic improvement to last season, where we had all losses except for one win. Our high points was our draw with Kings, where we were down 1-0 and eventually managed to put the ball in the net near the end of the game to even the score. One of our other highlights was our game against Shore, where we lost 2-1. It was here that Jiamin managed to score a penalty brilliantly.

Our highest scorer was Jiamin Yu and I (I'm not trying to brag or anything). We both scored one goal each. Our player of the year was Tim Pillien, and I would say the most improved player was Thilan Subasinghe, who had recently come from rugby to soccer, which was a huge transition for him. It was great that he put in a lot of effort to be up to the standard of the rest of us.

Overall, I think we have had the best season so far, and one of the mistakes that we could improve on is efficiency. I can honestly say we had many opportunities to score goals and won many other matches, but we failed to put the ball in the back of the net. Meanwhile, opposing teams put goals in whenever they had the opportunity. This is something I think we can improve on in the coming years. I look forward to playing football at High next year, when I can hopefully captain our team again.

Alexander Nguyen

15D Football

The 15D's played a total of six games, and we lost every game except one. We scored 6 goals and our almost all our strikers and midfielders scored one goal. Ken Huang was the first to score a goal, then throughout the season, Victor Ho, Dennis Duong, Elbert Ly, Carl Xu and Sameer Nene each netted one. Our best player of the season was Ken Huang and the most improved player was Cosmo Liu. Our best

achievement was a 2 – 0 win against St Ignatius, which was our only win.

We would like to thank Sebastian for coaching and also the parents for allowing the students to come to our matches.

Carl Xu

15E Football

The 15E's have had quite a successful season, which was unfortunately marred by washouts caused by small scale torrential flooding. However, our results during the matches we played were quite pleasing. We won 3 out of our 6 matches, with 1 draw, which was our last match, a nail-biting battle against Grammar which just happened to be a rematch from the week before because of the way the E's pool was drawn up. However, despite our best efforts, we were met with a fierce opposition, and hence the result of a draw.

Special mentions go to Bob Jin, whose versatility and flexibility saw him play multiple positions throughout the season and play each one with competence and skill. Special mentions also go to Kevin Giang whose incredible half-field kicks saved us from many tight spots. Thanks go to the all 15D's who pitched in many times when we had problems with numbers. Thanks also to our coach Michael Li, for working hard all season to make us a better team, as well as all the teachers who turned up to our games to supervise us.

Albert Chau

14B Football

The 14B's have improved significantly this year since their failure during their previous season. This season we played many games and we also won against Grammar. We drew against St Ignatius, who were at that time undefeated. The 14B's have turned last season's averaging of 0-10 losses, to this season's average game score of 0-3. The Most Valuable Player award went to Brian Truong. Next season as the 15Bs, the team will be ready and should win more games.

Ronald Ip

14C Football

14C's team consisted of William Yang, Samuel Pham, David Evans, Ricky Chin, Michael Yu, Eric Yu, Andrew Cheung, Jeremy Ma, James Guo, Peter Stephens, Andrew Cao, Grant Baker, Andy Bao, Andrew Shi, Brandon Huynh and Daniel Fang

The first match we played was against Grammar and we lost 5-0. The second match was against Newington and we lost 7-0 and were smashed due to the early goal at the very beginning of the game. The Kings match was a good one, with the score at 7-1, and Michael pulling off an amazing goal, which made him our top goal scorer. Our next match was a great one against Scots with Sam Pham scoring but Eric let them equalise and take away our first win. The next match was against Riverview. They scored three goals against us in the first half but William Wu pulled of an amazing goal and then another. Then Andrew Cheung was given a yellow card and the final score was 7-2, after they scored four goals. The next game was against Grammar again and in the first half, not much happened. After half time, David Evans was given a yellow card but Michael ran down the field and scored and it was followed by the final whistle and so the 14C's won 1-0. The best and fairest player for the season was Andrew Cheung.

David Evans

14D Football

In 2010, the 14D's had a great season, though many matches were cancelled. Our first trial game against Newington was a devastating loss of 0-6 due to our lack of experience and poor communication, though after that our team improved due to some training from our coach. The scores kept improving from 0-6 to 0-4 to 0-2 until we finally had a tie against Joeys with 1-1 and a beautiful goal by Andrew Bui from just outside the goal box soaring into the top left of the net. It was a close game and there were many chances especially since the ball hit the posts guite a lot. The next week we finally had our first official win against Kings with a 1-0 win, due to a great set-up by Leon Chen. The next week and the second last game brought us back to defeat with a 1-6 with Josh Lane scoring the goal due to a flaw in the opposition's defence, and a nice through ball giving Josh an excellent opportunity at scoring the goal.



14A Football

Back Row: J.Lui, W.Wu, A.Ali, S.Gallagher, A.He, B.Hancox. **Front Row:** A.Tayeh, L.Chen, S.Wang (Vice aptaikn), J.Cooper (Captain), J.Kwon, P.Lam, G.Farrugia.



14B Football

Back Row: A.Kuang, R.Cheng, N.Kong, J.Zhao, C.Chan, W.Zhuang.

Front Row: A.Chen, B.Truong (Vice Captain), R.Ip (Captain), R.Arulmurugan, D.Shao.



14C Football

Back Row: W.Yang, R.Chin, M.Yu, A.Shi, A.Cao, B.Huynh, A.Bao, G.Baker. **Front Row:** A.Cheung, J.Huo, E.Yu (Vice Captain), D.Evans (Captain), D.Fang, J.Ma, S.Pham. **Absent:** Mr W.Rooney (Coach) The last match of the season was an exhilarating, yet sad one, due to the realisation that it was the last game and resulted in a 1-4 loss. In the first half we let many of the Grammar players inside our half and many chances including a penalty in the first few minutes due to a badly timed tackle. During the second half though, we played brilliantly – our best half of the season with many chances due to the great work of the midfielders, strategic positioning of the strikers and a rock solid defence. They only scored once that half and we put them under a lot of pressure with their goalkeeper constantly having to block goals until finally a great run by Leon set up a chance for Rvan Rawnack who did a neat tap in to the bottom left of the goal. Altogether it was a great season for the 14D's as we achieved a first win and gained experience and skill, making excellent plays and strategies resulting in some beautifully executed goals.

Victor Zhang

14E Football

14E's had an enjoyable season in 2010 with the following results: Newington – 1-4 (trial), St Ignatius – 1-1, vs. St. Andrews – 1-4, Scots – 2-1, Shore – 1-1, Grammar – 0-4

Our best player for the season was undoubtedly Perry Sim (CF). The team's most improved players were Jemy Ma (RCB) & Brendan Kwong (RB).

On behalf of the team, I'd like to thank Mr Jones for coaching us; Mr Gifford for his tireless efforts in organising and improving High Football; all the parents for transporting their sons to and from games, especially the ones who also assisted in organising Football and the football camp; the referees, for keeping the match fair every time. I would also like to acknowledge the opposition teams for providing an entertaining and competitive match every weekend. Finally, thanks to Felix and Terry from the 13B's for playing for us at the St. Ignatius match when some of the team got lost.

Aaron Wong



14D Football

Back Row: R.Rawnak, D.Li, J.Waring, B.Chen, A.Hassan, A.Lee. **Front Row:** R.Guo, A.Bui, J.Huang (Vice Captain), V.Zhang (Captain), L.Chen, C.Zeng, E.Wang.



14E Football

Back Row: P.Sim, S.Vimalanthan, A.Wong.
Second Row: E.Ou, J.Zhang, S.Tran, R.Li, A.Loi, I.Marinolv.
Front Row: J.Yu, B.Kwong, J.Ma (Vice Captain), A.Wong (Captain), L.Chen, C.Zeng, E.Wang.



13A Football

Back Row: N.Haidar, D.Haslam, C.Zhou, C.Lee, J.Chew, R.Hao, G.Shankar. **Front Row:** G.Liang, W.Beare, B.Tran (Vice aptain), A.Nadir (Captain), K.Dang, J.Tran, A.Huynh.

13A Football

Coach: Rob Harbor, Captain: Adilmorad Nadir

14 young players had a memorable football season playing for Sydney High. This season was a challenge for the 13 A's but was very exciting and full of amazing moments. Unfortunately, we did not win a game, although we did learn to work as a team and have strengthened our mentality towards the game. We hope that we can do better in the years to come. Here are the game scores and summaries:

1. Trial game – SHS vs. NC 2-7 loss

This game was the most difficult as we had no previous training and the team had never played together. Luckily for us, this was only a trial game and we had a chance to get a feel of playing in the GPS against a very skilful team. The goal scorer was Adilmorad with the 2 goals.

2. Trial game - SHS vs. SGS 0-3 loss

This was also a very tough game. With no permanent goal keeper for the team, I had to goal keep for the first half. We had very little possession against a very dominant team but we did well and kept the score at 1-0 at the end of the first half. In the second half, Gautham and I swapped positions so that I had my chance up front. The team improved significantly and we had much more possession. We conceded 2 goals late in the half. I missed a shot in the final seconds as it deflected off the crossbar.

- 3. Game cancelled SHS vs. SGS
- 4. Game cancelled SHS vs. NC
- 5. Game SHS vs. TKS 2-6 loss

We arrived at this game dumbfounded by the size of the school and how long it took us to find the field. We were sad to hear that Rob was sick and couldn't make it so Mr Kay was kind enough to coach us for the game. Unfortunately, it was another loss but we had improved in terms of teamwork and cooperation. The goal scorers were Adilmorad (1) and Jonathan (1).

- 6. Game cancelled- SHS vs. Shore
- 7. Game cancelled- SHS vs. SJC
- 8. Game SHS vs. TSC 1-5 loss

This was a very rough game. Some of our players arrived late so we were obliged to borrow 3 players from the 13B's. The first half was chaotic. We were unorganised and conceded two early goals. A goal

by me in the last couple of seconds narrowed the score margin. In the second half, all but one of our players had arrived. Although, our minds were not in the game and we let three easy goals past our defence. The goal scorer was Adilmorad (1).

9. Game - SHS vs. SIC 0-4 loss

Once again, this was a very rough game as we played against some very aggressive players. I was the goal keeper in the first half to conserve energy because I was fasting. At half time we were down a mere 1-0. In the second half, I was put up front. The team did very well with some great plays by Anthony, Richard, Gautham and Nader. I was fouled twice in the penalty box but was not given the penalty kick on either occasion. Unfortunately, we conceded a further 3 goals to end the game, losing 4-0.

10. Game - SHS vs. SGS 1-5 loss

This was our final game of the season. We had to earn our first win. The game started with Gautham as our goal keeper. Unfortunately, our defence was not up to the Grammar attack and we conceded four easy goals. In the second half, we gave Bosco a turn at keeper. He had never tried it so we were hoping for the best. Putting him there was probably one of the best decisions of the season. He was magnificent and only let through one goal. We had truly discovered a star! We also had some very good plays up front, one which even came from a pass from me to Jonathan who scored a great goal.

We had definitely learnt a lot from this season and the training we had with Rob. It was tiring and hard but we strived to learn and achieve. We improved our teamwork and strategic thinking in the way we should play, and even though we didn't win a game, we still learnt something much more valuable, learning how to work together. I'm sure that we will continue to strive for excellence in further seasons and it was a real pleasure to be the captain of such a dedicated team. The team and I would like to firstly thank Rob for his immense dedication to improve us as a team no matter how hard it was. We would like to thank Mr Gifford for putting this season together. Also we would like to thank all the people who helped with parking, barbeques, etc; who helped bring together some funds for the Football program. The winner of the best and fairest award was Adilmorad Nadir but I'm sure that everybody equally deserved the award for the hard work.

Adilmorad Nadir

13B Football

This year the 13 B's soccer team played exceptionally well and even though we didn't win any games, the team worked extremely hard and enjoyed their football. The team consisted of Anthony Allingham, Terry Chang, Richard Li, Jason Lim, Jason Lin, Mike Liu, Leonard Mah, Varunan Murugananthan (captain), Benjamin Nguyen, Tarun Sethi, Jason Tjahjokusumo, Justin Tran (vice captain), Shuxiang Wang and Carl Yang. We were all coached by Mr Kay and he was great and loved his football as much as we loved ours. All our players improved significantly this year and showed great determination. For giving us the opportunity to play we would like to thank Mr Kay, Mr Gifford, the parents and the referees that we met as the season progressed. 2010 was a great year and I am sure that everyone in the team is looking forward to next season.

Varunan Murugananthan

13C Football

The 13C football team had an uneasy season this year with only one win. We were a great team with lots of enthusiasm but the other teams were just too good for us. The total number of goals scored in the whole season was only six but it was a great effort from the team. Our top goal scorer, Raunak who was an amazing player from class 7E was our vice captain and made a great tribute to the team. Timothy Nguyen in class 7F improved the most out of everyone in the team as he was a great defender. Our game against Kings, was one to remember as only half our team got there because the school was so large, and in that match we lost 2-0. We had lots of amazing goals from our team throughout the season. One of our favourites was when Alex So kicked a corner kick and Raunak booted it into the top right corner of the goal. It was amazing! I would like to thank Shota Shimada for teaching us a lot about soccer and giving us tips and cheering us on from the side lines and not scolding us like the other coaches. In my opinion we did exceptionally well in the season for our age group.

Eddy Wang



13B Football

Back Row: B.Nguyen, S.Sethi, L.Mah, F.Wang, A.Allingham, J.Tjahjokusumo, R.Li. Front Row: J.Lim, C.Yang, V.Murugananthan (Captain), Mr J.Kay (Coach), J.Tran (Vice Captain), M.Liu, J.Lin. **Absent:** T.Chang.



13C Football

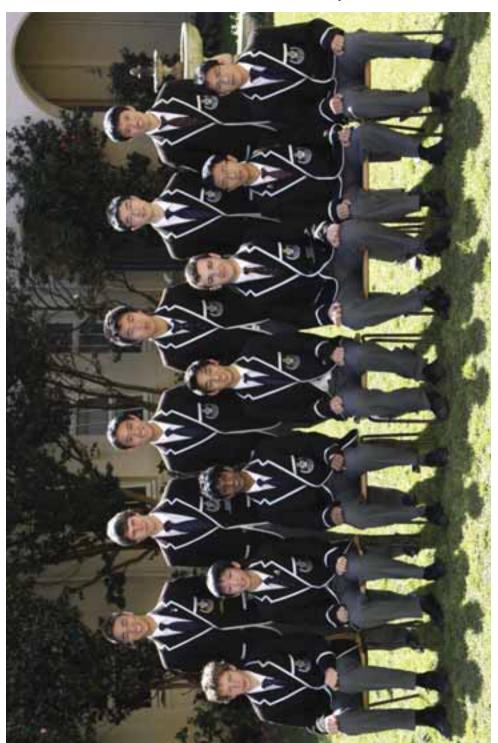
Back Row: K.Chen, A.Nam, T.Nguyen, A.Wong, J.Maloof, N.Hoang. **Front Row:** T.Hossain, A.Zhang, R.Sura (Vice Captain), E.Wang (Captain), B.Zhuang, S.Ngo, A.Wu. **Absent:** S.Lane.



13D Football

Back Row: E.Wu, A.Lu, K.Ni, R.Lin, D.Wang, Y.Zhou, K.Lin, L.Ye. Front Row: Y.Liu, D.Nossar, S.Pulapaka (Vice Captain), M.Ng (Captain), W.Banh, S.Li, S.Zhang. **Absent:** Ms S.Lin (Coach)

Cross Country



Open Cross Country

Back Row: D.Chen, V.Boulavine, Y.Wong, H.Lu, L.Liu, E.Feng.

Front Row: F.Torok, K.Zheng, P.Pannila, D.Luo (Captain), A.Lazarou, A.Tran, C.Wong.



14 Years Cross Country
Back Row: L.Hoad, J.Tran, W.Du, F.Zhang, R.Li, C.Wang.
Front Row: W.Tu, K.Ke, T.Du, S.Chung, A.Zhang, K.Liu, A.Lam.



16 Years Cross Country M.Lee, M.Chin, W.Baxter, I.Kim, J.Lam.

Cross Country Report

This season was an encouraging one for cross-country at High. Everyone trained exceptionally hard and improved tremendously as the season progressed. Despite the number of races that were cancelled due to the wet weather it was nevertheless encouraging to have large turnouts for the races that did occur.

We raced courageously and constantly pushed ourselves to our limits. By the end of each race, we were always so tired that we could barely talk. However, it always felt rewarding that we supported and pushed each other to our limits.

There were many great results. Most notable was Francis Torok, who consistently placed in the top three in the Open division. He was the favourite to take out the GPS Championship but unfortunately, it clashed with the National Cross Championships which he competed in and consequently, he did run the GPS Championship. Pasan Pannila also performed well, considering that he carried an injury for most of the season.

This year was the last for many like Laurence Liu, Hong Lu, Dale Chen, Alex Lazarou, Vlad Boulavine, Chun Wong, Eric Feng, Aaron Tran and I. Many of the Year 12's have been involved in this sport since year 7 and it has left them with many wonderful memories. Everyone in cross-country would also like to thank Mr Prorellis, Mr Kesting, Mr Bigelow, Mr Hoggart, Mr Ryan and Mr Gainford for their dedication to our training and races this season. It has been a tremendous season in large part due to their commitment and support. The future looks bright for High Cross-Country.

Daniel Luo, Captain of Cross-Country

Rifle Shooting Report

The Sydney High Rifle Team continued with its success this year, following on from last year's GPS Co-Premiership title. Whether it was at Open Prize Meets, at The Armidale School, or over in Bisley, England, we proudly represented the team, the club, and the school.

We began the training year shooting smallbore for several weeks, with a large influx of junior shooters presenting us with an issue that we hadn't faced in such scale before. Luckily, we had assistance from new junior coaches Denis Stojanovic (2009), Jack Wachsmann (2009), and Nevin Spoljaric (2009), which helped us immensely in training such a large group of shooters. These coaches were led by Head Coach Kevin Chan (2000), and along with experienced coaches Ishan Nadkarni (2008) and Joe Banh (2006) we were able to spend our Saturday mornings constructively training and shooting.

When we reached the Winter Season, our primary competition shooting and training season, we made a shift to shooting fullbore, which is what we compete in. This was in preparation for the many competitions we were to shoot in, namely at Armidale, Wingham, Cessnock, Bisley, All Schools, and GPS. Here we also began to learn our roles as part of a fullbore team, requiring much more organisation and teamwork than smallbore. As a result, by the end of the season we had become much more efficient and much better shooters than before.

The Armidale visit was our team's first shooting competition. There the team, consisting of shooters Michael Do, Andy Xie, James Lee, Vithushan Mohan, Brendan Leo, Ryan Woo, Peter Tran, Yujin Wu, Wilbert Wu and Bill Deng competed in a smallbore competition between us, TAS (The Armidale School), and NEGS (New England Girls' School). Although we shot competitively, Armidale's team was too strong, and so we missed out yet again on bringing home the much sought-after tank shell that was the trophy.

Several weeks later, the team was again off to the country, this time to the Wingham Open Prize Meeting. A very competitive shoot, we shot both individually as well as in teams, entering a School's Team to compete against Wingham High School and The Armidale School for the Mo Burdett Trophy. Although Wingham High posted extremely

Rifle Shooting



First Grade Rifle Shooting

Front Row: Mrs C.Meaney (MIC), M.Do (Captain), Dr K.A.Jaggar (Principal), J.Aclis, Mr K.Chan (Coach). Back Row:: B. Daniels, Y. Wu, B. Leo, W. Wu, R. Woo, P. Tran.



Second Grade Rifle Shooting

Back Row: T.Tran, D.Tran, B.Deng.

Front Row: R.Sternhell, Mrs C.Meaney (MIC), A.Xie (Captain), Mr K.Chan (Coach), A.Ceh.

competitive scores, we managed to win by a mere 2 points, securing the trophy for the third year running. Individually, our team also shot very well. Brendan Leo won five silver medals, and two bronze medals to come 2nd in C Grade, and Ryan Woo won three gold medals. Peter Tran won the Tyro Cup, and Bill Deng, Wilbert Wu, and Adam Ceh all gained valuable shooting experience.

We then reached the mid-year school holidays, a central time in the shooting calendar. During this time, there was the Bisley Cadet Rifle Tour, another open prize meet in Cessnock, the extremely important training week before the GPS Competition, as well as the All Schools Rifle Shooting Championship. While most of the team stayed behind to train at training week and shoot at Cessnock, six of our shooters toured Bisley, England: Brendan Leo, Ryan Woo, Yujin Wu, Adam Ceh, Dominic Tran, and Timothy Tran. Organised by the SHSCU OC MAJ (AAC) Richard Knowles and coached by Old Boy Christopher Budd, there they represented the Australian Cadet Rifle Team. There

Brendan, Ryan and Yujin shot extremely well, making the School's 100, as well as taking home an array of medals, memories and souvenirs. However, unfortunately they were unable to be back before the All Schools competition, and so we were left without a very strong team at home for that shoot.

They were back for the GPS Competition though, and when they arrived on our practice day at Hornsby for the competition, we were able to settle on our 1st Grade Team and our 2nd Grade Team. The 1st Grade Team comprised of Michael Do as Captain, John Aclis as Vice-Captain, Ryan Woo, Brendan Leo, Peter Tran, Yujin Wu, Bart Daniels, and Wilbert Wu. After a full day and a half of shooting, we found that we had shot very well throughout the competition, coming in a strong equal 3rd overall. Although we were nowhere near the King's 1st Grade Team this year, and lost to Shore's runner-up team, we still came equal third with TAS, who were the All Schools' Champions, and beat Grammar and Scots. Also, a brilliant effort from Ryan Woo, Brendan Leo, Peter Tran and Yujin Wu were selected for the GPS Combined Team. Ryan also earned the title of 'King of the Range', being the top shooter in the entire GPS competition, and was later selected in the Under 25 City Team. 2nd Grade also shot admirably; led by Andy Xie (Year 12), they gained valuable experience while also posting some very competitive scores. The team consisted of Andy as captain, Anton Jurisevic (Year 12), Robert Sternhell (Year 10), Alexander Weinstock (Year 10), Adam Ceh (Year 10), Dominic Tran (Year 9), Bill Deng (Year 9), and Timothy Tran (Year 7).

The Annual Rifle Dinner was also a great success. Organised by our MIC Cathy Meaney and the Rifle Club P&C Committee President Steven Leo, we had a great time at the High Rowing Sheds in Abbotsford. We were joined by special guests John Fraser and Sam Kremer, who were presented with special gifts from the team for our appreciation of their many years of support. Michael Do was presented with the John H. Fraser Trophy for attaining the top score in the snap component at GPS, and Ryan Woo was awarded a trophy for

becoming 'King of the Range' at the competition. Brendan Leo was named Captain of Rifles for 2011, with Yujin Wu as Vice-Captain.

The vast successes of the Rifle Team over the past year could not have been made possible without the great amount of support we received. I would like to thank MIC Cathy Meaney for all the amazing work she's done for the Club and the Team, the Head Coach Kevin Chan for all the time he takes out that has made our training and shooting possible, to coaches Ishan Nadkarni and Joe Banh for their hands-on advice, and to all the other coaches and old boy supporters who helped us throughout the season. I'd also like to make a special mention to Sam Kremer, who has put in an incredible amount of work behind-the-scenes.

This past year has been a great year for Sydney High Rifle shooting, and I can safely say that after giving it our all, that we have upheld our Rifle Team's tradition of success.

Michael Do, Captain of Rifles 2010



Rifle Shooting Club

Back Row: P.Tran, B.Leo, J.Toohey, Z.Guo, A.Stoneham, G.Dzero, W.Wu, T.Li, E.Wong, Y.Wu, R.Woo.
Fifth Row: A.Xie, B.Daniels, J.Yu, B.Yan, L.Huyen, D.Sun, B.Yun, E.Ng, A.Ceh, R.Sternhell.
Fourth Row: I.Ho, J.Chan, A.Tan, D.Tran, B.Deng, D.Tran, S.Guo, M.Zhang, D.Huang, J.Lin, M.Wu.
Third Row: K.Robinson, T.Chen, M.Siu, A.Lu, G.Lu, D.Tran, T.Fong, J.Tjahjokusumo, K.Lau, W.Chen.
Second Row: Mrs C.Meaney (MIC), S.Ngo, D.Zhou, D.Tang, N.Le, T.Nguyen, K.Sunderasan, J.Zhou, I.Lai, W.Banh,
Mr K.Chan (Coach).

Front Row: C.Huang, E.Han, V.Xu, M.Wu, J.Aclis (Vice Captain), M.Do (Captain), Y.Chen, J.Dong, K.Chambers, A.Yan.

Fencing



Open Fencing A Division

Back Row: C.McKay, A.Ghose, W.Dang. **Front Row:** I.Ho, W.Huang, S.Fletcher, A.Nguyen, J.Dobrowolski.

Fencing Report

The 2010 fencing season was an immensely enjoyable experience. In the two main competitions of the year, the Schools State Championships and the Schools League, High fielded a record 14 teams.

The Schools Championships this year were badly timed. They came at the beginning of the fencing season and the Music tour to France. Despite these handicaps, our U15 A team comprising of Shaun Pak, Matthew Chan, Hayden Rabone and William Yeung,[pictured] convincingly took out first place, making us NSW State Champions in the U15 division. Of worthy note were the achievements of the U13 A team, made up of David Huang, Riley Irwin, Christopher Chen and Gideon Kwok, which narrowly missed bronze coming fourth in NSW. Finally, the SBHS Green team featuring Ben Hillier, Hung-Ting Lin and David Zhang managed to come 12th in an extremely competitive Seniors Division. In the individuals divisions, Albert Nguyen came 37th in the Seniors Division, David Huang came 8th in the U13 division, and Hayden Rabone came 5th in the U15 division.

Our performance at the Schools Championships meant that 3 teams were nominated to go to the prestigious A J Rae tournament, the Seniors 1st and 2nd teams and the U15As team. The Sydney Boys 1st Grade team (comprising of Albert Nguyen, Anirban Ghose and Shaun Fletcher) got a respectable 26 hits against Newington 2, missing out on some crucial points due to dodgy equipment. Sydney Boys 2nd Grade were outclassed against Newington 1, but still managed to make up 12 points. As U15 State Champions the Sydney Boys U15A team was invited to fence against the top Senior A division teams. Despite fencing outside their division they almost beat Oxley High, even leading on points at one stage, and ending up with the nail-biting score of 41-45.

At the Schools League, where High usually performs at its best, the following teams progressed to the finals, an outstanding achievement in itself - Senior B Division the Sydney Boys B [Ben Hillier, Hung-Ting Lin and David Zhang] and Sydney Boys D [Toby Funston, Nishant Paul and Anthony Xu - later forced to forfeit], U15 division the Sydney Boys A [Shaun Pak, Matthew Chan, Hayden Rabone] and Sydney Boys F [Andrew Cha, Christopher Wang, Subhash Viswanadham and Hawk Ji] and in the U13 division Sydney Boys U13A [David Huang, Riley Irwin, Christopher Chen and Gideon Kwok] and Sydney



Boys U13B [Chen Yu Wang, Anthony Taing and James Lian] were the qualifying teams. At the finals, we came home with the U15 A team taking out third place, the U13 A team making it to fourth place and the Senior B team making it to second place.

It was great to see the many junior fencers improve from match to match and genuinely enjoying fencing. There are many promising fencers in our ranks and we can look forward to better results in the years to come. Fencing's successes this season have been great, and it naturally follows that there are a lot of people to whom a lot of thanks are due. Firstly, our MIC Ms May has been a pillar of fencing for years, and these achievements would not have been possible without her efforts. A farewell thankyou is due to Alwyn Wardle, our Seniors coach who will no longer be able to advise our fencers due to personal commitments. On the other hand, a heartfelt welcome needs to given to Arash Karpour, our new coach who has been coaching both the senior and junior fencers in the lead up to the finals of the Schools League, and we look forward to seeing him again next year, and the year after that, and that. Thank you to all parents for giving up their precious time to come and support the fencers, especially for their enthusiastic cheering at the competitions. A further thank you to Mr Tom Rabone who has made extended training periods possible.

Thank you also to Dr Jaggar who has given us a home which has had an immediate impact on our training quality. The area can accommodate the growing number of fencers, allows for electric fencing to safely take place and ensures that we are able to train all through the season.



Open Fencing B Division
Back Row: Ms J.May (MIC), T.Funston, D.Zhang.
Front Row: H.Lin, N.Paul, B.Hillier, S.Khoo, A.Xu



15A Fencing M.Rabone, M.Chan, S.Pak, W.Yeung.



15 Years Fencing

Back Row: K.Dhamoon, A.Chan, T.Li, S.Ngo, S.Viswanadham.
Second Row: Mrs J.May (MIC), N.Nguyen, C.Wang, M.Hauser, A.Cha, O.Long.
Front Row: Y.Wong, N.Costa, K.Yu, I.Li, P.Choi, J.Hu, H.Zhu.



13 Years Fencing

Back Row: C.Chen, C.Wang, E.Le, J.Zhang. **Second Row:** Mrs J.May (MIC), D.Chiang, C.Mao, G.Kwok, J.Lian, B.Deng. **Front Row:** G.Huang, D.Zhou, R.Irwin, D.Huang, I.Lai, D.Chen, A.Tang.

Skiing

This year our skiers and snowboarders headed to Perisher to compete in the Sydney Regional Interschools Snowsports Championships. 20 eager participants meant that our school was well represented in all divisions and disciplines. This year saw several boys compete for the first time and a few boys compete for the last time.

Not much natural snow had fallen yet in the season which meant two things. Most of the mountain was not open yet and some of the races were to be held at night under lights to ease crowding during the day.

The lack of snow did not curb our enthusiasm with our first day of skiing to be had on the slopes of Front Valley and Blue Cow. There was much talk around the resort and back in town (Jindabyne) about Wednesday. It was all that anyone was talking about as the forecast was for a big dump of snow in excess of 30cm.

Everyone awoke to the confirmation of a powder day which meant that more of the mountain was opened up and fresh tracks were to be had all day. In fact, although not much more snow was to fall for the rest of the week there were plenty of bluebird days and still plenty of fresh tracks to be had if you went looking for them. Everyone enjoyed the time

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on the snow and with most of the races being held at night under lights there was more time for just that.

Our results in individual and team disciplines were pleasing and the boys showed much support for one another. Our form from last year has continued in the Cross Country where Tom Connolly, Julian Edgtton and Timothy Collier earned the right to compete in the National Championships.

Many thanks go to the Committee, participating parents, Mr Mark Jones, and in particular Mr Michael Lane who did much more than just drive the bus. Thanks to the efforts of those mentioned above and the participating boys themselves the trip was a huge success. Special mention should go to Michael Ambrose, Alex Koerber and James Whiting who have been a champion for the sport over their years at High.

The team included: Michael Ambrose, Timothy Collier, Tom Connolly, Jeremy Dobrowolski, Julian Edgtton, Nicholas France, Brendan Hancock, Michael Hauser, Max Kite, Alex Koerber, Joshua Lane, Allen Liao, Sean Martin, Pasan Pannila, Jonah Petrie, Oliver Pierce, Andrew Rong, Perry Sim, Andrew Tayeh and James Whiting.

Mr A Fuller



Ski Team

Back Row: M.Hauser, P.Sim, S.Martin, O.Pierce, B.Hancock, T.Connolly, J.Petrie, A.Rong. **Front Row:** A.Tayeh, J.Dobrowolski, J.Whiting, Mr A.Fuller (Coach), M.Ambrose, M.Kite, J.Lane.

Volleyball



First Grade Volleyball

Back Row: Mr M.Kay (Coach), I.Li, N.Wang, D.Nguyen, C.Morrow, J.Suh, J.Gim, Dr P.Ganderton (Coach). Seated: P.Lai, J.Mok, M.Li, H.Sit, H.Huang.

Volleyball Report.

2010 was one of the best seasons on record for High Volleyball.

In the Open division High won the CHS Knockout, the GPS Volleyball competition in both grades, the Trans Pacific Cup and the NSW All Schools Metro series.

In Junior divisions High won Gold and Silver in the U15 Metro tournaments and a Silver in the U16.

Eight High boys were selected to represent Sydney East at State level. They Merlin Li, John Gim, Josh Suh, Hugh Huang, Pat Lai, Chris Morrow, Henry Sit and Nelson Wang.

First Grade Captain Merlin Li was selected to represent NSW CHS Volleyball for the New Zealand tour as was Chris Morrow. Chris Morrow was also selected to play in the combined Queensland /NSW team that played New Zealand.

Saturday morning GPS Volleyball was enhanced by the addition of junior matches. This will continue and hopefully expand next year.

8 Open teams and 4 Junior teams competed in the NSW Volleyball All Schools Tournament Series.

Three teams represented Sydney High at the 2010 Australian Volleyball Schools Cup held in Melbourne from the 5th to 10th December.

The following awards were made at the presentation night.

Best and Fairest.

U15: Sunchit Sethi U17: Jun Park

Second Grade: Brendon Cheung

First Grade: Ivan Li

Most Improved Player

Junior Division: Jonathon Clements-Lendrum

Senior Division: Josh Suh

Most Valuable Player for 2010: John Gim

M. Kay, M.I.C. Volleyballs

First Grade

Matching the extremely high standards set by last year's 1st grade was a formidable task which seemed impossible at the beginning of the year, however, with the year almost done and only a few tournaments left, it is likely that 2010's 1st grade will surpass last year's achievements. During this eventful season, we managed to secure our position as the top team in NSW by winning the CHS knockout, GPS Premiership and every Metro Tournament we entered. Volleyball is continually growing and as one year leaves, it seems inevitable that more young talents join volleyball.

With half the team from last year's 1st grade leaving high school, the transition to this year was not an easy one, as there were many gaps which needed to be filled. Therefore, this required many players to



step up and fill these gaps. This development process has resulted in some players acquiring a first grade or second grade spot, and others improving greatly and becoming future grade prospects. Hard work and vigorous training have been the principal reasons that these players have been able to comfortable fill the roles that they now play. Our extremely versatile team, due to the strength of our players in all positions, means that there are hardly any weaknesses for our opponents to take advantage of. 2010's 1st grade side include: John Gim (opposite), Hugh Huang (setter), Patrick Lai (libero), Ivan Li (libero/outside hitter), Jonathan Mok (setter), Chris Morrow (middle blocker), David Nauven (middle blocker), Henry Sit (outside hitter), Josh Suh (universal), Nelson Wang (middle blocker/outside hitter) and Merlin Li (outside hitter).

Our season started in Term 1 with the qualifying matches for the CHS State Knockout, after winning these matches with relative ease, we secured ourselves a place in the Top 16. After a long gap between these matches and the CHS State Knockout, the GPS competition was our priority at the time. With many teams in the GPS improving their volleyball programs greatly, our Saturday games became increasingly more difficult. Newington looked threatening and we had to battle it out in a difficult 3-setter, while St. Ignatius, under coach Oliver Konakoff, a High old boy, also put up a decent fight against us. Grammar, as always, proved to be a dangerous opponent, with our first meeting this year, going to a tight 5-setter, in which they held many match points. Although we were missing many key players, High proved too much as Jonathan Mok stepped up and led our offence against Grammar. Our second meeting, although tough, was much easier and a great way to wrap up our successful GPS season, which was for some of us, our last GPS game ever.

The CHS State Knockout, the most important event on Sydney High's Volleyball calendar, attracted many talented teams, all deserving of the title. On our road to the final we played Menai HS, Prairiewood HS then Pennant Hills HS. On the other side of the draw, it was Westfields Sports High School who were victorious. They were a team who we constantly met in the latter stages of the Knockout, according to past years. The match was a gigantic see-saw and their superb backcourt defence left our attack confused and frustrated. Dominant hitting and blocking from Chris Morrow, who was unlucky to not receive the 'MVP of the Tournament' award,

was combatted by amazing passing from the other team. This led to a tense 5-setter which Dr. Jagger had the pleasure of watching. As we kept our composure and did not let the nerves get to us, we were able to cap off our "greatest CHS final".

Our success emulated beyond the school boy level as 8 of our 11 players made the Sydney East team who came second in the CHS Inter-Regional Tournament (tying our best performance yet). Also, Chris Morrow and Merlin Li were both selected to represent NSW in the Trans-Tasman Tournament in New Zealand. And Chris earned himself a spot in the Australian School Boys Team.

The 2010 1st Grade team are now preparing for the prestigious Honours Division in the Australian Volleyball Schools Cup, where all the best schools in Australia will be competing in. Hoping to improve on our unexpected result from last year, this year, with better preparation and more experience, we hope to go down to Melbourne and achieve our best result there, ever.

High's Volleyball program is becoming more and more sophisticated thanks to the support from Dr. Jagger, the teachers and students. A thank you must be extended to Dr. Ganderton for his fitness work, and Ms. Trompetter who edits weekly reports for the High Notes and organises the Metro Tournament. Old boy coaches Yaegan and Karl relentlessly improve the standard of our players by offering invaluable advice and experience. Finally, without the guidance from MIC Mr. Kay, volleyball will not be nearly as successful at High, as it is today.

Merlin Li

Second Grade Volleyball

The 2010 Second Grade Team started with a void of players. Many of the key players from 2009 had transitioned to the First Grade Squad and there was an unexpectedly large turnout for the Second Grade tryouts. An intense hitting session and scrimmage cut down over thirty applicants to a remaining ten, forming the 2010 Second Grade Team, listed as follows: Brendan Cheung (Outside Hitter), Justin Yang (Outside Hitter), Shiraz Biscevic (Middle Blocker), Daniel Smith Light (Middle Blocker), Allen Liao (Middle Blocker), Ennes Mehmedbasic (Setter), Jun Park (Opposite/Outside Hitter), Patrick Krakovsky (Opposite/Outside Hitter), Nathan Leong (Opposite), and Tony Wang (Setter).

The blend of veterans and rookies added to the

large array of personalities in the Second Grade Squad to create eccentric team chemistry. The veterans of the team seized leadership opportunities and ensured the exponential development of the newer players in the team, maturing into a team that from start to finish has not failed to impress game after game. In the 2010 season, the Second Grade Volleyball Team placed second in the Trans Pacific tournament and managed to maintain their undefeated GPS Premiership title, going through the season in straight set wins for the second consecutive year. The exponential growth of the team is a testament to the superior coaching skills of old boys Yaegan and Karl, developing new talent into key players by the end of the season.

The season started for the second grade squad in term 2, with intense tryouts followed quickly by the GPS tournament. The competition increased this year and while the games may have seemed like easy straight set wins, on paper it can be seen that high struggled in many sets. Not only was Sydney

Grammar a competition once again, but returning team St. Ignatius coached by old boy Oliver Konakoff also put up a tough match. High blitzed through the first round of GPS matches however in term 3 during the second round, High nearly dropped a set in the game against Grammar. The younger players stepped up in the absence of a captain for the first set, revealing potential first-grade qualities for next year.

Justin Yang was an exceptionally dominant force on the court at all times, developing a powerful swing throughout the year. Newcomer Allen Liao spent much time in the weights room to develop possibly the schools highest vertical leap and an explosive quick hit. Nathan Leong's rivaling vertical led to an alternative left hand hit on the opposite end, creating versatility in the attack range for the team. The freshly imported Jun Park managed to play every position during the season, displaying his flexibility to the game. Special mentions must be given to Ennes Mehmedbasic for being the sole setter in the team for the duration of the season, even managing



Second Grade Volleyball

Back Row: Mr M.Kay (Coach), J.Yang, S.Biscevic, J.Park, E.Mehmedbasic, Dr P.Ganderton (Coach). **Front Row:** T.Wang, A.Liao, B.Cheung, N.Leong, P.Krakovsky.



16 Years Volleyball

Back Row: S.Prakash, A.Saksena, M.Song, T.Zhang, D.Truong, S.Sethi

to execute a few surprising blocks. Although the team lacked a libero, the team chemistry and communication was constantly high and the passing effort was developed through concentrated training sessions based around passing.

The development of the Second Grade team throughout the season can be seen through the rankings in the Metro tournaments and Trans Pacific tournament, where the team managed to climb up the ladder to steal second place at the final Trans Pacific tournament after failing to place in the earlier metro tournaments. The improving results are evidence to the relentless training and effort that MIC Mr Kay implements week after week and is also confirmation of the effort that the team puts into each training session. Congratulations Second Grade on another successful season, I wish you all the best next year. --Captain of Second Grade - **Brendan Cheung**

16A Volleyball Report

The 2010 volleyball season has been a good one for the 16 A's team. Twice we played in the NSW All Schools Volleyball Tournament, and achieved solid results in both. The first tournament of the year saw High finish in second place, taking the silver medal. We won convincingly over Rooty Hill, and cruised through the next two matches, dropping only one set along the way. This set up a final with Blayney, where we narrowly lost both sets despite some great plays by the team.

In the second tournament, we hoped to improve on our position last time and take home the gold medal. However the day didn't start well with players arriving just in time for the first match without any time to warm up. This showed on the court where we lost to Pennant Hills, the eventual champions, in straight sets. However for the rest of the day we played much better and more consistently, but we were facing better opponents this time around. We didn't manage to make the finals, but were still able to pull off some spectacular plays throughout the day.

The team would like to give thanks to Mr. Kay for his continued support and effort at training and at the tournaments. The team is hoping to improve for the 2011 season, and know that we will be able to finish with a gold medal in the not too distant future.

Aman Saksena and Siddharth Sethi Co-Captain



15 Years VolleyballJ.Chan, C.York, N.Autar, J.Clements-Lendrum, I.Metcalf, E.Luu



14 Years Volleyball

Back Row: P.Gao, K.Lu, S.Noronha, S.Sethi, G.Qin, B.Chen.

Front Row: J.Le, J.Garrett, Mr M.Kay (Coach), Y.Man, W.Tan.

List of Officers

	Headmaster	Captain	President OBU	President P&C
1883	J. Waterhouse			
1884 (1)	J. Coates	F.W. Doak		
1885 `	J. Coates	G.C. Saxby		
1886	J. Coates	G.C. Saxby		
1887	J. Coates	F.W. Doak		
1888	J. Coates	P.J. Pratt		
1889	J. Coates	A.B. Davies	OLD BOYS UNION	
1890	J. Coates	J.P. Wood	Founded 13 June 1892	
1891	J. Coates	H.S. Dettmann	Tourided 15 Julie 1072	
1892	J. Coates	H.S. Dettmann	J. Coates	
1893	J. Coates	W.G. Forsyth	J. Coates	
1894	J. Coates	W.G. Forsyth	J. Coates	
1895	J. Coates	F.A. Todd	J. Coates	
1896	J. Waterhouse	F.A. Todd F.A. Todd	The OBU lapsed in 1895,	duo
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1897	J. Waterhouse	F.A. Todd	the School and a subsequ	
1898	J. Waterhouse	O.U. Vonwiller		
1899	J. Waterhouse		lack of former pupils to ta	
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1900	J. Waterhouse	C.E. Weatherburn	1902 under A.M. Eedy.	
1001	I Mataulaassa	A.M. Levick		
1901	J. Waterhouse	G.L. Tomlinson	A AA Fadu	
1902	J. Waterhouse	W.E.T. Porter	A. M. Eedy	
1903	J. Waterhouse	H.S. Utz	P. J. Pratt	
1904	J. Waterhouse	H.S. Utz	C. H. Cooke	
1905	J. Waterhouse	A.S. Walker	Prof. O. U. Vonwiller	
1906	J. Waterhouse	R.C. Blumer	R. C Forsyth	
1907	J. Waterhouse	W.R. Brown	C. M. Drew	
1908	J. Waterhouse	A.L. Buchanan	G. C Saxby	
1909 1910 (2)	J. Waterhouse	J.G.M. Beale C. G. McDonald	C. A. Fairland	
1910 (2)	J. Waterhouse J. Waterhouse		Prof. F. A. Todd P. S. Hunt	
1911	J. Waternouse	O. D. Oberg J. R. Nield	r. s. Hullt	
		E. J. Saxby		
1912	J. Waterhouse	F. Wootton	G. C. Saxby	
1913	J. Waterhouse		A. Bohrsmann	
1913	J. Waternouse	G. J. M. Saxby W. S. Patterson	A. BOITSITIATIT	
1914	J. Waterhouse	J. Woodhouse	A. G. Henderson	
1915	J. Waterhouse	C. E. Brake	A. G. Henderson	
1916	R. J. Hinder	A. W. W. Gray	W. G. Lewes	
1917	R. J. Hinder	T. H. Henry	E. J. Hooke	
1918	R. J. Hinder	F. E. Stayner	E. J. Hooke	
1919 (3)	C. R. Smith	G. B. Morris	H. K. Prior	
1919 (3)	C. R. Smith	K. M. McCredie	H. K. Prior	
1921	C. R. Smith	S. J. Burt	L. F Watt	
1922	C. R. Smith	A. Underhill	L. F Watt	
1923	C. R. Smith	E. M. Henry	W. W. Vick	
1924	C. R. Smith	S. C. King	A. M. Eedy	
1925	G. C. Saxby	E. L. Pilkington	R. T. McKay	Rev H.E. Hulme
1926	G. C. Saxby	K. C. Hardy	R. T. McKay	Rev H.E. Hulme
1927	G. C. Saxby	L. W. Hepper	R. T. McKay	Rev H.E. Hulme
1928	G. C. Saxby	B. Gardiner	A. M. Eedy	Rev H.E. Hulme
1920	G. C. Jakby	b. dardinei	A. M. Ledy	A.R. Sullivan
1929	G. C. Saxby	J. L. Still	W. J. Cleary	A.R. Sullivan
1930	G. C. Saxby	T. P. Pauling	O. A. A. Diethelm	A.R. Sullivan
1931	G. C. Saxby	E. W. Hyman	O. A. A. Diethelm	A.R. Sullivan
1932	G. C. Saxby	R. L. McKinnon	H. F. Halloran	A.R. Sullivan
1933	G. C. Saxby	A. W. Horner	S. A. Smith	A.R. Sullivan
1934	F. McMullen	F. B. Horner	S. A. Smith	A. Horner
1935	F. McMullen	J. Maxwell	C. G. McDonald	A. Horner
1936	J. H. Killip	H. Turk	C. G. McDonald	H.B. Edwards
1937	J. H. Killip	K. J. Oram	G. F. Diamond	H.B. Edwards
1937	J. H. Killip	R. Higham	Judge J. R. Nield	E.H. Oliver
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1939	J. H. Killip	N. Docker	Judge J. R. Nield	H.B. Edwards
1940	J. H. Killip	R. Loton	Dr G. Hardwicke	R.S. Betty
1941	J. H. Killip	N. McInnes	C. N. Hirst	R.S. Betty
1942	J. H. Killip	J. Dexter	C. N. Hirst	R.S. Betty
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1943 1944 1945 1946 1947 1948 1949 1950 1951 1952 1953 1954 1955 1956 1957 1958	J. H. Killip G. Barr G. Barr G. Barr G. Barr K. J. Andrews	E. Swinbourne A. Hodge K. Cross P. Turner B. Thiering N. Pearce R. Morrow J. Agnew J. Thronett V. Littlewood M. Stuart C. Chamberlain W. Summers R. May K. Rubie P. R. Phillips	E. Pye Dr G. Hardwicke Dr G. Hardwicke Dr G. Hardwicke Major D. J. Duffy Major D. J. Duffy A. R. Beveridge A. R. Beveridge K. C. Cameron K. C. Cameron P. G. Saywell A. R. Callaway A. R. Callaway A. R. Callaway Col D. J. Duffy Col D. J. Duffy	R.S. Betty R.S. Betty R.S. Betty R.S. Betty R.S. Betty B.R. White B.R. White B.R. White B.R. White W.B. Nehl W.B. Nehl A.G. Leroy T.W. Rushall T.W. Rushall T.W. Rushall T.W. Rushall T.W. Rushall
1959	K. J. Andrews	W. Young	Col D. J. Duffy	M.R. Wills
1960 1961	K. J. Andrews K. J. Andrews	A. Cairns J. Coleman	A. Ferguson A. Ferguson	M.R. Wills M.R. Wills
1962	K. J. Andrews	F. Conner	A. Ferguson	J.H. Levi
1963	K. J. Andrews	R. McKay	W. McMurray	J.H. Levi
1964	M. R. Callaghan	N. Stamell	W. McMurray	J.H. Levi
1965 1966	M. R. Callaghan	N. Morgan J. Isaacs	C. E. H. Rubie C. E. H. Rubie	W.F. Halliday
1967	M. R. Callaghan M. R. Callaghan	J. Isaacs J. Isaacs	A. F. Deer	W.F. Halliday W.F. Halliday
1968	M. R. Callaghan	D. Luxford	A. F. Deer	R.A. Blomberg
1969	M. R. Callaghan	A. Tzannes	The Hon Sir G. Wallace	R.A. Blomberg
1970	M. R. Callaghan	J. Ehrlich	The Hon Sir G. Wallace	R.A. Blomberg
1971 1972	M. R. Callaghan M. R. Callaghan	D. Blomberg R. Middleton	Judge K. Torrington Judge K. Torrington	R.H. Stracey N.R. Frumar
1973	M. R. Callaghan	N.S. McGill	Sir B. Sugerman	N.R. Frumar
1974	G. J. Bradford	G. Hill	Sir B. Sugerman	N.R. Frumar
1975 1976	G. J. Bradford G. J. Bradford	N. Green S. Marquet	Prof. S. Livingstone Prof. S. Livingstone	Dr P.A. Musgrove Dr P.A. Musgrove
1970	R. Outterside	B. Ramsay	Prof. S. Livingstone	Dr P.A. Musgrove
1978	R. Outterside	T. Musgrove	Brig. E. S. Swinbourne	Dr P.A. Musgrove
1979	R. Outterside	G. Anderson	Brig. E. S. Swinbourne	Prof C. Phipps
1980 1981	R. Outterside R. Outterside	M. Wieland G. Warren	Dr P. A. Musgrove Dr P. A. Musgrove	Prof C. Phipps Prof C. Phipps
1982	R. Outterside	G. Webb	B. H. Pyke	Prof C. Phipps
1983	R. Outterside	M. Aikman	B. H. Pyke	Prof C. Phipps
1984	R. Outterside	M. Adams	B. H. Pyke	T. Lynam
1985	R. Outterside	M. Ward	B. H. Pyke	T. Meakin
1986 1987	R. Outterside R. Outterside	C. Lynam T. Walker	Dr J. M. Challen Dr J. M. Challen	T. Meakin T. Meakin
1988	R. Outterside	A. Magro	B. H. Pyke	T. Meakin
1989	R. Outterside	C. Aitken	M. Aikman	T. Meakin
1990	R. Outterside	G. Main	M. Aikman	T. Meakin
1991 1992	R. Outterside R.J.Stratford	A. Abrahams J. Isaacs	R. Mitchell R. Mitchell	V. Moschione V. Moschione
1993	R.J.Stratford	S. Mohideen	MajGen J. Norrie	S. Kritzler
1994	R.J.Stratford	D. Eyers	MajGen J. Norrie	P. Whyte
1995	R.J.Stratford	A. Lamb	MajGen J. Norrie	P. Whyte
1996 1997	R.J.Stratford R.J.Stratford	P. Lyons K. Robinson	MajGen J. Norrie MajGen J. Norrie	K. Loblay K. Loblay
1998	R.J.Stratford	J. Stern	MajGen J. Norrie	J. Kaldor
1999	R.J.Stratford	A. Liu	N. Scudder	D. Briggs
2000 2001	K.A.Jaggar	J.S. Boag N. Armstrong	N. Scudder J. Goddard	D. Briggs D. Briggs
2001	K.A.Jaggar K.A.Jaggar	M. Nam	J. Goddard	D. Briggs D. Briggs
2003	K.A. Jaggar	H. James	J. Goddard	P. Girdler
2004	K.A. Jaggar	T. Miller	J. Goddard	P. Girdler
2005 2006	K.A. Jaggar K.A. Jaggar	D. Fonseka A. Farrow-Palmer	M. Livingston M. Livingston	S. Brown S. Brown
2007	K.A. Jaggar	M. Farhat	J. Waugh	S. Chan
2008	K.A. Jaggar	D. Vien	J. Waugh	S. Chan
2009	K.A. Jaggar	P. Desmond	J. Waugh	J. Connolly
2010	K.A. Jaggar	A. Paul	J. Waugh	J. Connolly
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From 1910 to 1919, the equivalent of the present School Captain was called the Senior Prefect. The title of Senior Prefect was changed to Captain in 1920.

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Back Row: A.Nadir, E.Le, B.Tran, D.Huang, A.Wong, G.Bai, J.Jung, V.Lin, J.Nixon, K.Liang, L.Huyen, K.Nakamura, T.Zhang, F.Wang, T.Luo, D.Ahn, J.Yang, C.Zhou, R.Sura, A.Allingham.

Seventh Row: S.Zhang, B.Dang, A.Han, V.Murugananthan, D.Wang, L.Chen, J.Lee, A.Nam, J.Zhou, T.Nguyen, K.Lu, M.Jun, A.Tan, K.Liang, S.Arvind, T.Tran, J.Tjahjokosumo, R.Lin, M.Chan, M.Betbeder-Matibet, B.Jiang, L.Mah.

Sixth Row: J.Lian, R.Dai, T.George, B.Mo, Z.Hung, B.Chan, P.King, K.Ni, C.Mao, N.Bari, K.Szet, V.Gao, G.He, J.Tan, N.Hoang, P.Mai, K.Lu, J.Yip, B.Lee, Y.Chen, J.Park, J.Zhang.

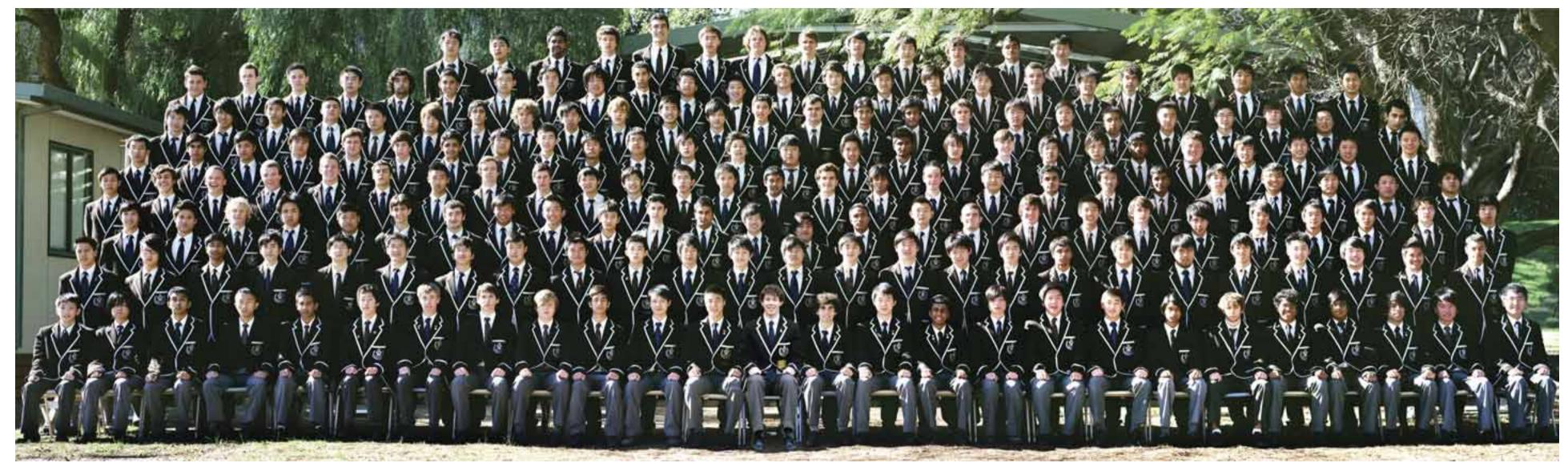
Fifth Row: G.Lu, K.Jin, Y.Zhou, K.Chen, D.Bang, M.Liu, J.Huang, W.Chang, M.Siu, J.Tran, S.Sethi, D.Haslam, A.So, D.Chiang, G.Chandrasekaran, H.Zhu, M.Lam, B.Deng, J.Wu, S.Xu, H.Huang, I.Zhou.

Fourth Row: L.Ye, B.Zhao, T.Nassif, B.Kawahashi, K.Robinson, S.McKenna, K.Lau, R.Li, K.Huang, J.Tran, J.Tran, R.Hao, T.Nguyen, Y.Wang, J.Tinker, K.Lin, J.Liu, E.Han, A.Morshed, M.Wu, D.Zhou.

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Second Row: A.Taing, A.Huynh, A.Zhang, E.Wang, G.Liang, L.Hoad, A.Khondaker, S.Arudselvan, G.Shankar, K.Ke, R.Joseph, B.Zhuang, I.Lai, W.Beare, D.Nossar, O.Tseu-Tjoa, R.Saha, D.Chen, N.Mostafa, V.Avudaiknayagam, K.Dang.

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Back Row: M.Wang, N.Wang, D.Pious, K.Taylor, S.Biscevic, A.Saunders, M.Kite, M.Carr, J.Suh, J.Lee, J.Tassell, N.Chowdhury, T.Y.Li.

Seventh Row: D.Edgtton, D.Smith-Light, M.Li, T.Tran, M.Tugnait, S.Sandhu, Z.Guo, P.Hsiao, L.Wang, D.Sutton, L.Li, S.Yung, J.Sutton, A.Ho, D.Ma, A.Chiem, K.Wu, A.Lazarou, A.Zhang, J.Bastable, R.Bi, F.Li, D.Trang, T.Xiao.

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Fifth Row: G.Niu, A.Chawla, B.Cabanilla, B.Kelly, A.Blomberg, L.Aylmer, A.Ramesh, P.Lai, E.Wong, M.Zhang, J.Chen, M.Zhang, D.Kim, J.Liang, A.Kugendran, H.Zhuang, C.McKay, H.Huang, H.Vi, V.Mohan, O.Fio, A.Liu, J.Lee, P.Nguyen, B.Trang.

Fourth Row: A.Guo, M.Ambrose, A.Koerber, J.Whiting, J.Musgrove, L.Gordon, S.Yoon, L.Perris, V.Boulavine, M.Fong, J.Lam, B.Yan, I.Li, J.Nair, A.Brokman, P.Radhakrishnan, D.Paperny, D.Zhang, A.George, E.Feng, T.Silveira, O.Wu, M.Do, R.Lee, H.Tran, J.Pham.

Third Row: A.Banh, B.Chen, G.Deacon, M.Le, V.Vo, J.Aclis, B.Kogan, J.Nguyen, D.Tran, E.Qiu, B.Soroka, S.Kumar, C.Nguyen, J.Castillo, S.Ali, G.B.Wang, G.Denny-Smith, S.Darcy, R.Ma, J.Braverman, V.Goh, B.Cheung, J.Han, R.Zhang, J.Ubaldi, J.Chan.

Second Row: D.Do, B.Khuu, A.Surendran, C.Chau, R.Lu, C.Wong, A.Xie, A.Low, E.Hui, S.Wan, A.Gou, B.Ly, S.Kim, D.Gu, D.Yan, R.Lin, K.Lin, A.Uddin, N.Nguyen, J.Du, D.Luo, J.Poon, C.Tin-Loi, W.Lee, J.Rajendram.

Front Row: K.Zheng, D.Huang, R.Khan, A.Tran, R.Sivasubramaniam, B.Jian, H.Schilling, A.Jurisevic, D.McCrea-Steele, N.Adel, E.Wong, D.Chen (Vice Captain), A.Paul (Captain), A.