



## From the Principal

### The sharp end of the HSC pecking order

We have some work to do to regain our spot in the table of all rounders with 10 units at 90. Twenty-five to thirty boys should be able to achieve at the level required. The percentage of band 6s awarded has risen 40% since 2001. The percentage of bands 5 & 6 awarded has climbed by 36%. Nearly 13,000 HSC students are earning on average 2.17 band 6s each. The four year average is 2.26. Our aim should be that every student gets 2.5 band 6s as a minimum!

	2004	% of awards	Rank
<b>Premier's All Rounders</b>			
James Ruse Agricultural High School	98	10.73	1
North Sydney Girls High	47	5.15	2
Baulkham Hills High School	41	4.49	3
Sydney Grammar School	31	3.40	4
Sydney Girls High School	28	3.07	5
Moriah College (Queens Park Campus)	28	3.07	6
North Sydney Boys High	25	2.74	7
Pymble Ladies' College	24	2.63	8
Hornsby Girls High School	23	2.52	9
<b>Sydney Boys High School</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>1.97</b>	<b>10</b>

We want to be the best boys school in the state. We have the potential. We need to put in the effort to get there. North Sydney Boys has overtaken us in the last two years. We need to correct that situation in 2005! Mastery of the new HSC requires more time! Students need to be better organised and more aware of how questions of various kinds need to be answered. They need to stop resisting the new syllabus way of doing things and follow the answer guides discussed by their teachers. They have to commit study time and follow specific exam model answers to the letter.

Boys Education and the new HSC Sydney Grammar School		Students	% of awards	Rank
	2004	31	3.40	4
	2003	35	4.37	4
	2002	32	4.65	4
	<b>2001</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>13.27</b>	<b>2</b>
Mean		32	6.42	3.5
<b>Sydney Boys High School</b>				
	2004	<b>18</b>	<b>1.97</b>	<b>10</b>
	2003	26	3.25	7
	2002	15	2.18	8
	<b>2001</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1.47</b>	<b>18</b>
Mean		16	2.22	10.75
<b>North Sydney Boys High School</b>				
	2004	25	2.74	7
	2003	35	4.37	5
	2002	12	1.74	11
	<b>2001</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1.18</b>	<b>21</b>
Mean		19	2.51	11

### Summer sport ends dramatically

A very large crowd was on hand to witness the bottom of the table clash between High and Grammar at the gym on Saturday. These fixtures in basketball usually are emotionally charged but this event was more tense than most. Grammar fought back well in the seconds game to win narrowly in a game that our team must have fancied themselves to win. Poor shooting in the final quarter cost the boys a victory. The first grade game was a tough mental contest with switches in defensive patterns and attempts by High to shut down the Grammar No. 13. The game was stopped twice for several minutes while arguments about the correct score were settled. It was an incredibly long game in the end. Our boys seemed be put off by all the fuss and made turnover errors and loose shots to give Grammar too much possession.



In the tennis, our boys won the three doubles and all but one of the singles

to finish the season on just a point less than last year. Riverview's dominance was evident in the 10 point margin on the table. I was very pleased to see the way our boys stayed focussed even though nothing was riding on the day's play except pride in keeping a fine record going.



At the first grade cricket things appeared to be going according to plan on McKay Oval. Riverview were held to a 10 run lead being bowled out for 145. At tea I thought we could survive the day. After tea a combination of accurate bowling and poor shot selection by our batsmen had us all out with 12 overs left to bowl and 80 runs for Riverview to score. The batsmen ran on everything. The fielders tried for run outs. The ball was hit in the air. Panic set in on both sides. Seven wickets fell. A run a ball was always the target after the Riverview openers got off to a flyer. On the last ball of the last over a jubilant Riverview side made the run, won outright and won the GPS premiership. Cricket is indeed an unpredictable game!

### High Talent

Congratulations to Quan Nguyen who was selected for Sydney East to play AFL: football in the Sydney AFL championships for juniors.

### UNSW Co-op Scholarship Induction

Last Friday I was pleased to witness the induction of our UNSW Co-op Scholars, Calvin Liu, Kon Moltchanski and Kagan Sevinc. This is a very prestigious program, providing free tuition and industry placement during vacations. There were 113 scholarships this year, Australia wide. The success rate in the scholarships follows HSC results trends. North Sydney Girls High had 6, Sydney Girls and Moriah 5 each, and James Ruse 4. Sydney Boys and Manly had 3 each while many selectives scored two scholarships. We ought to be getting 4 boys at least into this program. Interested students in Year 12 are strongly advised to talk to Mr Watson about the following areas of study where scholarships are awarded: accounting, actuarial studies, marketing, finance, information systems and management, business information technology, chemical engineering, computer science, electrical engineering / telecommunications, industrial chemistry, mechanical engineering, mining engineering, materials science/ceramic engineering/process metallurgy, petroleum engineering, photovoltaics & solar energy, surveying and spatial information systems. More boys should make themselves fully aware of the scholarship

possibilities in this wide selection of vocational degrees.

### Social Justice Program

We welcome Mr Hugh James (school captain 2003) who is working for us to establish a social justice program to broaden leadership and service opportunities for senior school students. He is promoting another antipodeans expedition. He has plans for a community service project in our local area. I am confident students and staff will support his initiatives.

**Dr K Jaggar**

## Communities

This week I have been testing Year 7 using our own "Language Power Test" which thoroughly assesses grammar and writing. The writing section has the added advantage that we learn something about the students beyond the condition of their subject-verb agreements and the state of their tenses. You will find some suitably anonymous past examples on the Communities Web Site at <http://neilwhitfield.tripod.com/student.html>

On the Blog recently you will find (see <http://neilwhitfield.tripod.com/blog/>) :

- Help for Year 9 with their work on anime.
- Ideas on Wikipedia, for and against, and another good information source.
- Leads for those who are having trouble controlling their English tense use. On this, see also <http://neilwhitfield.tripod.com/faq9.html> "My tenses are all over the place. How can I fix this?"

**Neil Whitfield**



## FROM THE LIBRARY

Big thanks to Steve Codey who came in to the Library with 6 very popular books under his arm to donate to our readers. Three are by Sara Douglas – *The Crippled Angel*, *The Nameless Day* and *The Wounded Hawk*. He also donated some lovely Robin Hobbs – *Assassin's Quest*, *Royal Assassin* and *Assassin's Apprentice*.

### DONATIONS GRATEFULLY RECEIVED!

The Library is delighted to be the recipient of new novels purchased and already devoured. There is only so much room in your house and so many of you are well educated readers, your leftovers can be really useful to our students.

## NEW FICTION

Thanks to the assistance of our lovely and competent office boys the newly purchased fiction covers are making a bright and, we hope, informative display on the big window leading up to the library. We are thinking of making similar displays of subject related purchases on windows near subject staffrooms. It draws attention to the wonderful resources the Library is currently purchasing courtesy of the Library Fund – A big thanks to all those generous parents donating to this very worthwhile cause!

## WEBSITE

A full list of our 2005 purchases will be able to be found on our newly constructed Website.

## NEW LIBRARY – Also see website

A wish list of library design aspects has been drawn up by our library staff. Please email Mrs Crothers on [crothersv@sydneyboys.h-schools.nsw.edu.au](mailto:crothersv@sydneyboys.h-schools.nsw.edu.au) if you wish to add features we have not thought to include or if you think our ideas could be better achieved with a different plan.



## PARENT READERS FROM AMONG THE YEAR 8s

This is the last call for parents who would be willing to pre read a novel I have paid for so that the Year 8 Literacy Circles project can kick off with a little more oomph. So far I have not had a single volunteer parent reader! If you feel you can give this little bit of assistance to boys reading please email Mrs Crothers at [crothersv@sydneyboys.h-schools.nsw.edu.au](mailto:crothersv@sydneyboys.h-schools.nsw.edu.au)

## SENIOR STUDENTS

Any senior student who would be prepared to pre read a brand new novel – not a junior novel - to assess its suitability for Year 8 Literacy Circles please come and get this novel from Mrs Crothers in the Library.



## FROM THE SCHOOL COUNSELLOR

**Assertiveness** (adapted from Parenting Ideas 2, Michael Grose)

Some young people find it difficult to be assertive. Assertiveness is a skill that young people can learn. An assertive response helps them to stick up for their rights and avoid being teased or bullied. Bullying is not tolerated in NSW government schools, whether it is physical, verbal, social or psychological.

Assertiveness involves the use of a firm voice and strong body language, including eye contact. Assertive actions indicate control and imply an expectation of compliance. It is

different from Aggression, which shows lack of control and involves a raised voice, the use of insults and body language which intends provocation to inflame a situation. Listed below are some suggestions and strategies that may assist your child to develop assertiveness.

If a student needs to stand up for his rights, is being bullied or teased he should:

- Be polite and use the person's name; make good eye contact and use a strong stance; and ask the person to stop what he is doing. State the request or statement using a firm voice.
- Give the person an opportunity to respond if appropriate. Be polite but firm and avoid personal insults or using a whining voice.
- If the provocation continues he should walk away, ignoring the aggressor. If the teasing or bullying continues he should seek teacher, year adviser or deputy to help them settle the problem.

It can be helpful for a student to practise assertiveness in low risk situations – in front of the family or even in front of the mirror.

If you would like to speak with a School Counsellor regarding concerns for your child, please phone the school and make an appointment.

S. Plummer and E. Harman

## REMINDER TO PARENTS

### CHANGE OF ADDRESS

**If you have recently changed your address or have changed your employment the school needs to know.** There have been a number of occasions when Administration have had difficulty contacting parents because of change of workplace. **This is extremely important in a case of emergency.** If parents are going to be out of the country for any length of time the Principal needs to know this information as well.

Please ask your son to obtain a change of details form from the Main Office and also change forms for travel when changing your address. Your son's travel passes will be affected if he does not have the correct address. Failure to complete these forms may result in your son not having a travel pass.

# State of the Arts

## Millennium Marching Band

This is the band that performs in the Easter Show Muster, the Opening Ceremonies and the School Spectacular. Forms to join this band are available from music. It is open to all wind, piano, percussion and brass players.

## Head of the River.

Once again the Jazz Band is going along to support the boys as they row along the lanes of the Sydney International Regatta Centre.

## Music Camp

The forms are now due in for the annual music camp. All instrumentalists are expected to attend. The concert will begin at 6.00pm in the Great Hall.

## More Performances on the Calender

### May 16<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> Education Week

This will involve most of the ensembles at different times during the week.

## Italy Tour 2005



### Your first few words!

Yes = Sì

No = No

Thank you = Grazie

Thank you very much = Grazie Mille

You're welcome = Prego

Please = Per favore

Excuse me = Mi scusi, Scusa

Hello = Salve, Ciao

Goodbye = Arrivederci, Ciao

So long = Addio

Good morning = Buon giorno

Good afternoon = Buon pomeriggio

Good evening = Buona sera

Good night = Buona notte

I do not understand = Non capisco.

How do you say this in [English]? = Come si dice questo in [Italiano]?

Do you speak ... = Parla ... English = Inglese

I = Io We = Noi

What is your name? = Come si chiama? Come ti chiami?

Nice to meet you. = Felice di conoscerla. Felice di conoscerti. Piacere.

How are you? = Come sta? Come stai?

Good = Buono (m), Buona (f), Bene So so = Cosí cosí

Bad = Cattivo (m), Cattiva (f), Male, Non bene

Where is the bathroom? Where is the toilet? = Dove é il bagno?



# SYDNEY BOYS' HIGH SCHOOL

<b>Canteen Price List</b>	<b>Open Hours 8:30am - 1:40pm</b>
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**8:30 to 9:00 a.m. \* a time to place lunch orders \* breakfast is available**  
 It is to your advantage to pre-order lunches: it saves waiting in queues and ensures you get what you want.

## Sandwiches and Rolls

Filling	Sandwiches	Rolls
<b>Orders only:</b>		
cheese & salad	\$ 2.20	\$ 2.80
chicken & salad	\$ 3.20	\$ 3.80
corned beef & salad	\$ 2.60	\$ 3.40
curried egg & lettuce	\$ 2.20	\$ 2.50
egg & lettuce	\$ 2.20	\$ 2.50
egg & salad	\$ 2.50	\$ 3.00
ham & tomato	\$ 2.40	\$ 2.80
ham & salad	\$ 2.60	\$ 3.40
roast beef & salad	\$ 3.00	\$ 3.50
salmon & salad	\$ 2.80	\$ 3.50
vegemite	\$ 1.20	\$ 1.50

### Orders and over-counter sales:

buttered roll	-	\$ 1.20
cheese & tomato	\$ 1.50	\$ 2.00
chicken & coleslaw	\$ 2.80	\$ 3.50
chicken & lettuce	\$ 2.80	\$ 3.50
corned beef & tomato	\$ 2.40	\$ 2.80
dagwood		\$ 2.80
roast beef & tomato	\$ 2.50	\$ 3.00
salad	\$ 2.00	\$ 2.50
chicken or lamb yeeros wrap	\$ 3.50	
roast beef seeded mustard & lettuce	\$ 2.50	\$ 3.00
<b>Available in brown/white bread; extras 20c.</b>		

<b>Sushi -</b>		\$2.50
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## Cakes Muffins and Fruit

custard tart/apple slice	\$2.00
choc chip/anzac cookies	\$ 0.80
lamington/finger bun/chelsea bun	\$ 1.60
muffin	\$ 2.50
vanilla slice/caramel slice	\$2.00
apple, orange, banana	\$0.80
fresh fruit salad	\$ 1.60

## Hot Food

Orders and over-counter sales:	
chicken & corn roll	\$ 1.30
chicken puff	\$ 2.20
chilli pie	\$ 3.00
garlic bread	\$ 1.30
lasagne/ravioli/spaghetti/hokkien noodles	\$ 2.80
meat pie (sauce +20c extra)	\$ 2.50
pizza pocket	\$ 1.60
pizza rounda	\$ 1.80
pizza slab	\$ 2.20
potato pie	\$ 2.80
sausage roll	\$ 1.60
steak sandwich w/sauce	\$ 2.50
sweet chilli chicken sub w/sauce	\$ 3.50
hot chick/mayo roll	\$ 3.50

## Drinks

300ml plain milk	\$ 1.00
300ml flavoured milk	\$ 1.60
600ml plain milk	\$ 1.60
600ml flavoured milk	\$ 2.20
mineral water	\$ 1.40
Poweradee™	\$ 2.20
400ml 100% orange juice with iron	\$ 2.20
375 ml Coke/Lift/Sprite™	\$ 1.50
600ml Coke/Sprite™	\$ 2.00
Aroona-carbonated spring fruits water	\$ 1.50
Berri - Long Life Juices	\$1.50
Play - Flavoured Sportswater	\$ 2.20

## Sweets and icecreams/blocks over counter

**Prices effective 31.01.2005**  
 Minor price changes will occur as a direct result of increases by suppliers

***LAST CHANCE TO KICK OFF YOUR SOCKS!!***



**Orders from the “Sock It To You” Catalogue Shopping Fundraiser**

**Will close Monday, 21<sup>st</sup> March.** (Late orders will attract a fee.)

So be active over the weekend asking those you know to buy some socks.  
Remember – **orders over \$50** in value receive one pair of ‘**Frog**’ socks free and the **highest seller** will receive a **hamper** of catalogue goods in excess of **\$100**.

For winter – take a look at: St Albans Scarves Page 13

Quilts wool or cotton on back page

& Thermal wear for those ski trips page 8 & 9



**ALL AUSTRALIAN PRODUCED AND MADE**

Please make cheques payable to **Sydney Boys High School**

If every family buys only one item the school would raise \$1,000 plus.



**CAN YOU HELP “SOCK IT TO YOU”?**



Volunteers are required to collate orders on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March and also 4<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> April to help distribute orders to our boys here at the school.

Please leave a note at the school Office for Valda Roser or contact her at home  
Telephone: 9773 7167 E-mail: [valda-roser@hotmail.com](mailto:valda-roser@hotmail.com) to register your availability.

With thanks  
Valda Roser  
Fund Raising Co-ordinator



# shootin' hoops

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The weekly dose of court-side action



## FIRST GRADE

Round 14 Saturday 12 March 2005

Score: 77 - 60

Top Points: C. Conway 33

Second Points: D. Palana 8



High entered this week's game with incredible confidence and vigour. In our previous match against Grammar we came away with a convincing victory. With Cameron Conway scoring 40 and Dustin Palana scoring 20 we were looking for the same performance from our two scoring weapons. We had a good week at training, playing some of our best basketball on Friday.

We came out firing in the first quarter with Captain Cameron putting up about 15 points in the first quarter alone and with some strong defence from the whole team we went into quarter time down by only a few points. We continued this strong defence the whole way through the next 2 quarters with this low scoring affair never getting more than 10 points between the two teams. Pat McDonnell came off the bench with an inspired effort in attack, walking through the key with ease. Francis Wong and Dustin Palana had strong defensive games to say the least - stopping the Grammar point guard in the back court and hustling all over the court.

In the last quarter Grammar began to pull away but not without a last push from a determined High team bringing it back to a close margin with 5 minutes left but it wasn't to be. Cameron ended up with 33 points. It wasn't quite enough with 1sts going down in the end. It was a disappointing end to a good season, the crowds were great all season and we hope that basketball enthusiasm will continue in further years. >>Written by Dustin Palana (First Grade Player).



## SECOND GRADE

Round 14 Saturday 12 March 2005

Score: 47 - 37 (another close game)

Top Points: H. Walker 10

Second Points: L. d'Avigdor 8



CONGRATULATIONS TO CAMERON CONWAY WHO MADE THE COMBINED GPS SECONDS TEAM. GAMES ARE PLAYED ON MONDAY THE 4<sup>TH</sup> AND WEDNESDAY THE 6<sup>TH</sup> OF APRIL VS ISA AND CAS

THE FIRST SYDNEY HIGH ANNUAL BASKETBALL DINNER WILL BE HELD IN THE GREAT HALL ON FRIDAY THE 1<sup>st</sup> OF APRIL AT 6:30 PM. DINNER WILL BE SERVED AT 7PM. Everyone is welcome to attend. Forms are available from Mr Hayman in the PD/H/PE staffroom.

RSVP DATE IS 24/3.

TICKETS LIMITED TO 150.





## HIGH VS KINGS Round 14 Saturday 12 March 2005

TEAM	RESULT	SCORE	TOP SCORER
1st	LOSS	77-60	C.CONWAY 33
2nd	LOSS	47-37	H.WALKER 10
3rd	WIN	40-34	K.WONG 14
4th	WIN	42-27	M.POPESCU
6th	LOSS	42-16	J.PHU 8
7th	WIN	48-21	(UNDEFEATED)
16A	LOSS	20-40	J.TAO 8
16B	LOSS	17-36	D.HU 6
15A	LOSS	16-69	G.LO 4
15B	WIN	40-27	A.TAYLOR 18

TEAM	RESULT	SCORE	TOP SCORER
15C	LOSS	8-30	G.SAVIT 4
15D	LOSS	12-62	C.YANG 4
14A	WIN	37-27	D.SHAN 12
14B	LOSS	17-37	M.YUI, J.PARK 6
14C	LOSS	6-62	S.KE 4
14D	LOSS	10-36	M.FENG 4
13A	LOSS	26-43	S.YOON 9
13B	LOSS	17-49	F.LI 4
13C	LOSS	17-44	J.VOH 7
13D	LOSS	14-27	D.ZHANG 7

ALL YEAR THE SPIRIT AND DETERMINATION SHOWED BY OUR BOYS AND COACHING STAFF HAS LED TO IMPROVED RESULTS THIS SEASON. CONGRATULATIONS ALL TEAMS!! THE 3RDS, 16Bs, 15Bs AND 7THS HAD WINNING SEASONS.

reports



### 14s

Finally the 14s register a win! Matt Lau opened the scoring for either team with a great 3 pointer! From there it just seemed to get better with Grammar struggling with our height and in particular Matt. He pulled off some great blocks to keep us ahead at half time 17-11. The second half started slowly but we did well for the rest of the game, winning 37-27, Daniel top scoring with 12 points. Well done boys, a great season!

>>Joshua Tassell (14s Age Captain)

### 15s

Last Saturday the 15 As and Bs played their last games for the season and at least for the Bs, it couldn't have gone better. Throughout their match they pummelled Grammar's defence and blocked nearly every one of their shots. Everything went according to plan. Alistair Taylor stood out as playing exceptionally well, making hundreds of successful drives and taking some brilliant shots. He was easily top scorer and without question 'man of the match'. By the end of the game the Bs had won by about thirteen points which shows just how much they've improved over the season. Unfortunately the As game had a somewhat different outcome... Before it started we overheard that Grammar intended to break the 100 point barrier. Suddenly our 'joking' goal of losing by less than fifty points didn't seem so unreasonable. In the first half Grammar played a full court press and scored forty four points. We obviously needed to lift our game in the second half, and so we did. Fourteen minutes into the second half Grammar had only scored four points! The only bad thing was that we had only scored one. As the game continued we made some great plays, used a lot of teamwork and continued to defend well. We all wanted to shoot a few threes before the game ended but we never got the chance. At full time we had unfortunately failed to achieve our goal of losing by less than fifty points but nonetheless had a lot of fun. Despite the score it was a good way to end the season. I hope everyone comes back next season. This is the greatest sport!!

>> Michael Bock (15s Age Captain)



Shootin' Hoops brought to you by Bennett Wong(11M).  
Thanks to Mr. Hayman.



## SYDNEY BOYS HIGH CRICKET

[www.sydneyboyscricket.info](http://www.sydneyboyscricket.info)



The agony and the ecstasy in cricket and the so close and so far results. A huge improvement in our Senior teams with congratulations to both the First and Second XIs for great performances notching 3 wins each. Our Third XI followed suit with 3 wins from only 6 rounds finishing 4th and our Fourth XI which was self managed, cruised their way to 6 wins.

Whilst our intermediate teams did not record many victories the results were encouraging with several losses by a few runs, the difference between glory and disappointment for the players.

The junior teams have shown great enthusiasm and our now famous “all out for 6 runs, Under 13 team” now putting 100 plus on the board as are the Under 14 age group.

An edition to take a few results for publication, with full reports submitted on the cricket website

### **First XI – (Day 2) HIGH 10 /135 and 10 /89 LOST TO RIVERVIEW 10 /145 and 7 /81**

A big effort was required on Day 2 and expectations were high as High chased the remaining Riverview wickets for first innings. Poised to achieve their goal, which then escaped as a lapse of control in the bowling attack with several expensive overs saw Riverview get up for the vital lead. Batting a second time High couldn't put it together to establish a defendable and possible winning total and were all out for 89. Riverview then took up the chase and won in the last minutes of round 7 with 3 wickets in hand at 7 /81. A disappointing finish for the boys in a season where the team showed their strengths and potential finishing with 3 wins from 7 rounds and 6<sup>th</sup> on the premiership table.

Congratulations to all players and coaching staff. Best performances Peshala Kariawasam 36 Damitha Fonseka 25 and Mark Carroll 23 s the main scorers in our first innings (apologies to Mark, for giving his brother credit for his innings in last week's report). Damitha took 2 /30 and Rajeevan Yoganathan 3 /20 in Riverviews 1<sup>st</sup> innings. In the 2<sup>nd</sup> innings Anuradha Vitanage 21 and Edward Pham 18 were the main scores and Damitha Fonseka 4 /36 and Adrian Jeyendra 1 /21 took 5 wickets between them in High's attempt to turn the result around.

### **Second XI – (Day 2) HIGH 10 /185 - DEFEATED - RIVERVIEW 10 /182**

High began the day with the prospect that a win against Iggies and a few results going their way would see them finish 4<sup>th</sup> on the Premiership ladder. With that in mind, the team started well, taking 2 early wickets to have Riverview 2 /25 chasing a reasonably challenging total by High. A 56 run partnership at this point had High panicking and it took Manusha Samaraweera to break the dead-lock. Interestingly it was the first ball Manusha bowled this season that took a wicket. Then Suren struck with a beauty that cleaned up the stumps and High were back on top. Iggies 4 / 84 and looking unsteady.

Another 50 plus partnership again saw Riverview in a commanding position and they only required 49 runs to win with 8 wickets in hand. Then in great spells of bowling from both Suren Wickramasinghe and Mark Samarasinghe Riverview lost 4 wickets for 10 runs and there was a real buzz around the ground. The tail- enders took the score to 181 before the next wicket fell and they required 5 more for victory with the No 11 to bat.

Then a freakish moment.....The No 11 received a ball just short of a length from Shaheen Kumar and, rocking on to the back foot, smashed it towards Edward Hibbert. What followed may have been merely reflex but we will claim it as proof that fielding training works – Edward stuck out his hand and popped the ball up in the air, catching it at the second attempt. The scene was incredible, the noise deafening. They had done it again. But unlike their 4 run win against Newington earlier in this year, where the momentum well and truly shifted in our favour, this match see-sawed and was there for the taking for both teams at various stages. With the results going as we had hoped for the 2<sup>nd</sup> XI finished the season in 4<sup>th</sup> place, a true indication of the dedication and desire the team exhibited this season

(Report submitted by 2<sup>nd</sup> XI Coach – Kieran Lewis)

### **Fourth XI - HIGH 7 /140 - DEFEATED- GRAMMAR 10 /80**

High won the toss and elected to bat and got off to a slow start, 2 /45 at drinks. But some hard hitting and quick running saw High score 95 runs in the last 14 overs to end up with an excellent score of 7/140 from 28 overs with Yaseen Hussain (28) and Faraz Amin (34) doing most of the batting damage. Early wickets by High kept Grammar on the back foot and never really posed a threat with Sriram and James Morgan keeping them pegged back with tight bowling and frequent wickets. Grammar eventually capitulated to be all out for 80 runs.

### **16 A – (Day 2) HIGH 10 /116 -DEFEATED- RIVERVIEW 10 /99**

After stumbling their way to 116 runs which seemed a dismal but defendable total, High managed to have St Ignatius 2 /22 at stumps on Day 1. After some determined bowling from High, the Iggie's boys were 6 /66 at the first drinks break. High decided to use only 5 “quicks” which paid off as they fought hard, bowled tightly and were able to earn their first win for the season, after a couple of heartbreaking losses. Riverview was finally bowled out for 99 with Dakshika Gunaratne picking up 4 /17 (14 overs) and Rommo Pandit taking 3 /28 (10 overs). With grade selections for Firsts and Seconds coming up next season, this was an important win for all concerned and hopefully a confidence booster. ( Report submitted by Rommo Pandit)

### **14 B - HIGH 10 /118 LOST TO GRAMMAR 10 /206**

High won the toss and elected to bowl. They put on a wonderful display with the ball but we were certainly not up to scratch in the field. Despite being hammered for 209, the High boys did not give up. Best bowlers were Maxim Mikha (0 /17) , Victor Ung (1 /14) and Nafiz Chowdhury (2 /4).

High batsmen decided it was time to show their colours and hang in there and score runs, but were denied runs for their time at the crease and did not leave much time for our more accomplished bats to come into play and we finished with a remarkable effort of 118. However not to reflect on the boys who batted early who did well. Best batting came from Jeffery Chen (42) who has played consistently well throughout the season followed by Matthew Wong (18) and Victor Ung (12) (report submitted by Lachlan Brown)

**CRICKET DINNER** – a reminder to all players that time is running out to make you payments to the office for the Cricket Dinner and Presentation on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup>.April at 6-30pm in the Great Hall. This is a must for all to enjoy one another's company and swap some "exaggerated" stories of performances, meet cricketers from other teams and enjoy the Awards that are presented to each team. All Award winners are required to attend on the night and school uniform must be worn.

**TRANS HARBOUR COMPETITION – BOTH TEAMS IN THE FINALS**

Congratulations to the Year 8 and Year 9 Teams which have qualified and will play in the Finals of their groups next Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March at Robertson Road. All players must be in whites and school caps. The format for the Finals is 20/20 cricket which will well and truly suit our boys. The final points will be posted on the Gymnasium Notice Board.

Laurie Hail  
MIC Cricket

## **CRICKET DINNER & AWARD NIGHT**

**2<sup>ND</sup> APRIL 2005**

**6:30  
GREAT HALL**

*door prize*

*quiz*

*not many speeches*

*awards*

*raffle*

**Come and support SBHS cricket at its annual blue (and brown) ribbon event**

**\$30 adults    \$25 players**

*Soft drinks provided, wine for sale, BYO*

**Money to the office by 29<sup>th</sup> March 2005**

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### **SYDNEY HIGH CRICKET DINNER**

**STUDENT NAME**\_\_\_\_\_ **ROLL CLASS**\_\_\_\_\_

Type of payment: Cheque    Cash    Credit Card  
Card Type:                      Bankcard    Mastercard    Visa    Expiry Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

**PAYMENT FOR:**        \_\_\_\_\_ Adults    \_\_\_\_\_ Players Team\_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL AMOUNT PAID: \$**\_\_\_\_\_

Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Cardholder's Name:\_\_\_\_\_ (please print)

Cardholder's Signature:\_\_\_\_\_ Bus.Phone:\_\_\_\_\_

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# **Sri Lanka: Antipodeans Adventure**

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

Vaadaa machaan! (Come on brother!)



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

Antipodeans Adventure Parents' Information Evening.

Date: March 31<sup>st</sup>

Time: 7pm

Location: Room 103

# NETWORKING



## FIRST GRADE:

GO FOR COURTS - ISSUE #1

Sat 12 March Grammar – vs High (R7)

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The final match of the GPS season was a somewhat unusual experience. We had secured second spot on the ladder (a mathematical hope of coming first) and Grammar were entrenched at the other end. And for four of us, it was the last time we would represent High in tennis. As such there were mixed emotions – there was no great incentive to win, but a chance to go out on a high note. The number one doubles pair of Dejan Bodrozic and Peter Pereira won the first set in ten minutes and the second almost as quickly. Mitchell Kelly and Hung Neo at three won comfortably after a Grammar player was late. Brian Ly and Ivan Cerecina had to work a little but the former's awesome serve saw them through. With three doubles in hand, we wanted to make a clean sweep of the singles as well, as we hadn't won a match 12-0 since 2002. We came very close to achieving this.

Dejan, Brian, Mitchell and Peter were workmanlike in straight-sets victories. Hung struggled to find any consistency, and Ivan steadied himself to go through in three. The final result was 11-1, a satisfactory result which leaves us on 63 points (one short of our total last year).

The team has performed quite well this year, although a premiership would have been most satisfying. There have been some outstanding individual performances – Dejan and Brian being named numbers 1 and 2 in the GPS Combined firsts team, in particular. There are a few other thank yous that we owe- to the parents for the sumptuous afternoon teas and support all year; to our supporters (especially the year 12s against Riverview); Dr. Jaggar for his continued support of tennis; Mr Boros, for another fantastic season; Carl Nielsen for his dedication to coaching us; and finally Ms Tuthill, our hardworking MIC whose work behind the scenes keeps us on the courts. As this is the last GPS match for many of us, it would be remiss of me to not mention the school for affording us such a great opportunity to play each week. It has truly been an honour and privilege to represent Sydney High at the highest level for many years, and it is to be hoped that our successes can be continued into the future.

**Peter Pereira - 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Captain**

## SECOND GRADE:

Sat 12th March.- Grammar vs High (R7)

Looking to cement the 6<sup>th</sup> position of the ladder, High seniors were also hoping to end their High tennis career on a high! In the no1 doubles Alex & David played a patient controlled match to win 0-6, 6-1, 6-2 while Hieu & Hai cruised in the second doubles despite a minor hiccup 6-2, 0-6, 6-1. Martin & Paul were unlucky to go down spoiling their perfect, to date, winning streak. With two doubles out of three, Alex and Hai extended High's lead to 4-2, preserving their impressive scores throughout the GPS season. David, Hieu, Paul and Martin showed signs of excellence but their respective opponents were too consistent and Grammar raced away with the matches and the final scoreline.

As Captain of the Sydney High 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Tennis 2005, I'd like to thank my team for their commitment and support week in and week out. Having been involved with GPS tennis for the past 6 years, I'm sure many of the seniors will agree with me that positive experiences truly outweigh the downsides regardless of the match outcomes and it's something that I'll cherish for the rest of my life. To junior players of the 2nds Tennis, I wish you the best of luck in your pursuit of 1<sup>st</sup> Grade selection and hope that you have learnt as much as I have from being part of a great team.

**Martin Nguyen- 2nds Captain**

16'	As Bs Cs Ds	LOSS DRAW LOSS DRAW	1 - 5 3 - 3 1 - 5 3 - 3	Best: Jourdan Hsiao 6-2 Amadeus Klocker 6 - 3 Robin Chen 6 - 3 Eugine Stadnik/Vassily Issaev 6-2
15s	As Bs Cs Ds	LOSS LOSS DRAW WIN	1 - 5 1 - 5 3 - 3 6 - 0	Best: Jason 6 - 5 Boris & Albert 6 - 4 James Ip 6 - 2 Alex Dovan 6 - 0
14s	As Bs Cs Ds	LOSS LOSS WIN WIN	1 - 5 2 - 4 4 - 2 5 - 1	Kent Nguyen 5 - 6 Ben Diep/Simon Lee 6-5 Xavier Qua 6 - 1 Matthew 6 - 3
3/6	3rds 4ths 5ths 6ths	DRAW DRAW LOSS WIN	3 - 3 3 - 3 1 - 5 4 - 2	Thomas Wong 6 - 2 William Lester 6 - 1 Michael Maslehdani 6 - 5 Dawei Qi 6 - 1
13'	As Bs Cs Ds			No results entered, this week. A very good effort by the new team, 2 boys have been selected by Carl Neilsen for a trial period to play Friday a.m. with the squad. Thanks to the whole team and their parents for a great start at SHS GPS TENNIS

### 15s Results vs Grammar

It was a weekend of many missed opportunities for the 15s. The Ds were, as usual, exceptional in blitzing Grammar to a 6-0 match total. Of note - Alex and Edwin who are yet to be beaten this term. Congratulations boys. Tam showed no signs of nervousness after being told to step in to D4 at the last minute.

In the Cs the unbeaten run of duo Matthew Rusli and James Ip came to an end, although James took consolation in being another team member who was undefeated this season. Daniel Chim also took things easy in his singles and has been constantly improving.

The Bs results were the most frustrating to swallow because in the 2<sup>nd</sup> doubles, Adrian's singles and Simons singles matches were all leading comfortably in the final stages but unfortunately celebrated too early and actually ended up losing it.

In the As, Grammar was simply a superior outfit. The Grammar As would definitely be up there in terms of competitiveness with SIC, so boys should be commended for their effort regardless. The bright spark amongst the As though remains to be Jason Cohn, who seems to have a knack of winning tough, tight matches and has developed immensely throughout the season. I have had a great season with the 15s and hope to continue next season.

**A. Chau**

## Student Information

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

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



**The Combined High Schools Regatta (CHS) will take place at Belmont, Lake Macquarie from 12 – 16 April 2005.**

The Sailing Committee has organised accommodation and boats for a limited number of students who would like to go and represent the school.

The cost is approximately \$160 per student and \$50 for breakfast and dinner (lunch is the student's responsibility). This is a parent led activity and not organised by the school and therefore needs parental support.

If you are interested in this great opportunity, please contact Ms Boukatos by 22/03/05 (registrations have to be in by 25/03/05) and she will contact you.

