



The Weekly Newsletter of Sydney Boys High School

#### From the Principal High Talent

Congratulations to Omar Salem, John Zhang and Arun Vairav who have been selected to compete in the National Schools Titration competition on September, 10. Well done boys! Congratulations to Adrian Flores for his great achievement in winning a medal in the English Writing Competition.

#### The Da Vinci Decathlon

This important competition for our talented students tests the teamwork and variety of skills in the 8-person selection. Overall, our results profile in this prestigious contest hosted by Knox Grammar, parallels our school culture. In terms of overall places by discipline, the 4 teams were strongest at mathematics, general knowledge and games of strategy. Forensic sleuths,



Engineering and science were respectable. We fell away in English, code breaking and art and poetry, with 'creative producers' 49

points away as our weakest discipline. High boys have to gain greater selfconfidence in personal expression through various media - text, graphics, music, art. For next year we may need to have some nominations for certain team places based on the decathlon areas. Also, some skills training as a team before the event would not go astray. I strongly support this gifted and talented initiative. It is time High took preparation for the event seriously and recruited the sharpest operators in each area for next year's teams.

#### **High v Shore**

First grade debaters last Friday affirmed the proposition 'that insider traders should be imprisoned'. High's case was that insider trading is a serious corporate crime; that it causes social harm through the financial effects of



trading for personal greed; that fining rich people for their crimes is insufficient as a punishment or as a

deterrent; that a mandatory sentence of 2.5 years would act as a deterrent to a white collar crime that is difficult to detect; and that incarceration would incapacitate insider traders and prevent their re-offending. The Shore negative argued that gaol was useless as a punishment in the case of corporate crime; that insider trading was a different, non-physical crime; that imprisonment was overkill; that money should be spent on detection of insider traders to change corporate attitudes; and that removal of trading rights, larger fines and community service were more appropriate sanctions. High rebutted the negative by asserting that middle men would do the insider trading on behalf of the trader whose rights had been removed; that taxpayers wanted retribution for financial crimes; that there has to be equality of outcomes for criminal acts and equity in reasons for sending offenders to gaol. The debate got a bit tangled up in the HIH example which was a mixture of insider trading and corporate crime by cover up and fraudulent accounting. Both teams failed to make much of this example. The Steve Vizard example was neither expanded by the affirmative to social harm through lack of trust in of fiduciary duty by directors companies, nor rebutted by the negative as one person's greed adequately punished by a very stiff fine and removal of trading rights. High squeaked a win on the equity principle for criminal behaviour that the negative failed to address satisfactorily.

#### Australian National University Visit

Last Saturday I was the guest of ANU at their Open Day. The university has abundant funding for facilities, resources and research. It offers a variety of degrees in specialist areas. Its Bachelor of Philosophy course seems quite unique. Every 1st year student is guaranteed a residential placement at ANU. It is a good training ground for entry into Commonwealth Departments -Trade, Foreign Affairs etc. Internship positions are relatively easy to acquire given the large bureaucracy in the city. It is a small population university c12,000 students on a 43 hectare campus. No travel worries, safe and secure environment, good sporting facilities. Eight High Old Boys enrolled at ANU in 2005. Year 12 students would be well advised to see Mr Watson to find out more about this desirable post secondary destination.

#### **Structured Acceleration for Year 10**



On Tuesday 30 or so parents attended an information evening on our planned structured acceleration intervention for 2006. I gave a short background introduction to subject

acceleration. It is 'academic flexibility in a discipline without regard for age'. A great deal of 'accelerative enrichment' occurs as part of our teaching programs – above stage level outcomes in cognitive and skills development. Higher order thinking skills, open ended research tasks, student designed projects and extension activities characterise teaching units in selective schools. We have academic competitions, special events (eg tournament of minds, da Vinci decathlon, titration competition) and co-curricular activities to enrich the curriculum at High. Subject acceleration of a formal kind qualifies students for a credential for a course of study.

Subject acceleration involves challenges for participants. The level and amount of homework in the senior school can come as a shock. The need to study more independently can be unsettling. The level of competition from classmates is heightened. The complexity of concepts presented rises. The language of instruction used by teachers becomes more sophisticated. The level of analytical skills needed is higher. Class discussion reflects the added maturity and confidence of senior students.

Benefits from engaging in formal subject acceleration include: saving time, getting two units 'out of the way' learning more/ faster, being challenged, working with students at your own level and gaining HSC experience before doing the majority of your units.

Mr Barris explained how the History department had conducted acceleration over the past couple of years. Mr Dowdell spoke to a power point presentation outlining the history of subject acceleration at High. He demonstrated the pathway for eligible subject accelerants who applied and were selected for the intervention. In summary, an elective line for Year 10 students in 2006 will be dedicated to delivering the Preliminary Course in subjects such as history, geography, languages and PDHPE. Individual departments will set selection criteria. The Principal will determine if classes are viable enough to run. Some classes may be vertically integrated, allowing Year 11 students to access the same class as Year 10 students.

Dr K Jaggar

#### Subject Choices Year 9 2006

A meeting will be held in the Great Hall at **6:00pm** on Monday 5 September to provide information about subject choices for boys entering Year 9 2006. The meeting will be conducted by Dr Jaggar and Mr Dowdell. The boys will have a meeting during school hours on Monday 5 September or Tuesday 6 September. However, they are welcome to attend the meeting with their parents.

#### **Subject Choices Year 11 2006**

A meeting will be held in the Great Hall at **7:00pm** on Monday 5 September to provide information about subject choices for boys entering Year 11 2006. The meeting will be conducted by Dr Jaggar and Mr Dowdell. The boys will have a meeting during school hours on Monday 5 September or Tuesday 6 September. However, they are welcome to attend the meeting with their parents.

#### Communities

#### Year 11 English Support

Term 3 marks the final phase of the Preliminary Course, a critical time for students to build up the theoretical, analytical and expressive skills needed to cope with the challenging Year 12 courses. The final unit is especially valuable, as it brings together much that will be needed once Year 12 starts in Term 4.

This year there are two studies happening: "Images of Men" and "Indigenous Perspectives". Students will find detailed support and supplementary material for both these studies:

- <u>http://neilwhitfield.tripod.com/faq11.html</u> is for "Images of Men" and also models essay writing in four different genres. (Someone in Nelson New Zealand was going through all this a few minutes back; they are welcome to, but remember it really is for you!)
- <u>http://neilwhitfield.tripod.com/koori.html</u> is for "Indigenous Perspectives". You may also learn something you may or may not have known about my connection to this topic.

#### Neil Whitfield

#### **Fencing News**



P&C Fencing Subcommittee combined AGM and General Meeting Tuesday 6th September 6.00 pm in the Staff Common Room

#### Agenda:

- Election of Office Bearers
- Competition participation and results
- Funding and fundraising
- Hire and purchase of equipment
- Training Fees

This will be the only meeting in 2005 to review the season and to get input from fencing parents.

Since important changes affecting all fencers are likely to be implemented in 2006 these will be discussed at this meeting, hence your attendance would be greatly appreciated.

#### From the Library Premier's Reading Challenge



Congratulations to Daniel Luo and Hayden Schilling from Year 7 and Lachlan Brown and Matthew Tang from Year 8, who have recently completed the Premier's Reading

Challenge! We would have liked to have had 100% participation. Students who are participating and have not yet handed them in, please be quick.

Next week we will publish the names of the boys who have completed the Sydney Boys High Reading Challenge for boys who have read any 20 books from our library. Our staff are currently working on your records.

#### Video and DVD Collection



Our Library began a video collection for students to borrow two years ago from scratch and has been steadily diversifying our resources in this and others ways since. It has therefore been

interesting for us to analyse the impact of videos / DVD's as library loans (or student/staff usage of these as learning materials)

We now have a collection of 404 videos & DVDs. 141 videos and DVDs have been added to our OASIS system in the last year and the amount spent on videos/DVD's this year is



\$2699. Borrowing figures on videos/ DVDs is 977 loans in 2005 to date.

Our library staff are impressed by the loans.

#### Science News

Results of Science Quiz no. 9

Thank you for the excellent answers from Aditya Hatle (8s) and Nikita Slinko  $\{7R\}$  The quiz included the properties of nanotubes and their future applications. The newspaper article that features this is posted on the window of lab 302.

Quiz number 10 will be posted next week. **I Cox** 

#### **Volleyball Report #11**



Come out to Olympic Park this Sunday and help support High Volleyball!

What's happening in Volleyball:

1.	Sunday 4 September	NSW Volleyball Schools Tournament 2 at Olympic Park. Cost \$15 per player
2.	Saturday 24 September	Referee accreditation for 15A, 16A, 17's and First Grade.
3.	Sunday 5 December	Australian School Volleyball Championships in Melbourne until Friday 10 December.

Congratulations to Sam Chhor! Sam takes over from Yaegan Doran as the Captain of Balls. Yaegan has done a fantastic job not only within volleyball, but also with raising the profile of volleyball in the greater school community.

#### Linguistic Logistics LOTE News



In our German class (Frau Flemings) we are producing a short German play for a national film competition (Goethe Institute). It is on the subject of Light, Time and Space. After

trialling every student's idea we decided on the storyline of "Einstein Returns".

We are producing the play in class. It is an interesting change from normal work. It is satisfying to see everyone contributing and cooperating. We hope to win the competition, so wish us luck, High! Anthony Hopkins 8F

PS. A special thank you to Mr Osinski for supplying camera, lights and much appreciated assistance.

#### Letters Re Absence/Lateness/ Early Leave

When your son returns to school from being absent he is required to provide a letter of explanation signed by parent or guardian. If your son is going to be late for school a note is also required.

If your son has an early leave note he is required to have his note signed by either Mr Beringer, Mr Dowdell or Mr Prorellis **before 8:55 am** and handed in to the Main Office immediately after. Each letter should be signed by parent or guardian with the <u>name date</u> and <u>roll class</u> of your son <u>printed clearly</u>. Your son needs to pick up a leave pass from the Main Office before he leaves the school.

#### Leave



If you require leave for your son please, apply in writing and address your application to the Principal, Dr Jaggar, stating the reason and length of time of the leave. Your son must then present

this application to Dr Jaggar for permission for the leave. Please remember to apply before the leave and not after.

#### SBHS Gardening Working Bee



#### **Sunday 11 September**

Students, parents and friends, experienced and inexperienced, are welcome to join us for a morning of gardening from 9.00 am on Sunday 11 September. From weeding to digging. If

possible bring any tools to assist. Easy parking for available for gardeners.

Marcia Shepherd and MaryAnn Cradock



#### VOLUNTEER PARENTS AND BOYS NEEDED FOR THE FOLLOWING PARKING EVENTS



Please contact the relevant co-ordinator to offer your help.



Sept 05	Event	Help Needed	Venue	Group	Parking Co-ordinator Contact Details
Sat 3	Australia v Solomon Islands - Soccer	4.30pm	Aussie	Music	Katharine Deacon <u>katharinedeacon1@aol.com</u>
Sun 4	Roosters v Bulldogs - Telstra Premiership	11.30 am	Aussie	Rowing	Srian Abeysuriya utilitysolutions@pobox.com
Fri 9 / Sat 10	<u>Qualifying Final/s (TBC) -</u> <u>Telstra Premiership</u>	-	Aussie	Sailing	Ivan Jurisevic <u>ivan@showright.com</u>
Sun 11	Sydney FC v Newcastle Jets - A-League	2.00pm	Aussie	Music	Katharine Deacon <u>katharinedeacon1@aol.com</u>
Fri 16	Sydney FC v Central Coast Mariners - A League	5.00pm	Aussie	Cricket	
Sat 17	<u>Semi Final - Telstra</u> Premiership	-	Aussie	Rowing	Srian Abeysuriya utilitysolutions@pobox.com
Sun 18	<u>Semi Final - Telstra</u> Premiership	-	Aussie	B' Ball	Kumi Abeysuriya kumi.abeysuriya@uts.edu.au
Sat 24	Preliminary Final - Telstra Premiership	-	Aussie	P&C	John Evans evansfamily2000@optusnet.com.au

#### Words Of Wisdom



It's not the hours you put in your work that counts, it's the work you put in the hours.

Look at a day when you are supremely satisfied at the end. It's not a day when you lounge around doing nothing; its when you had everything to do, and you've done it.

(Margaret Thatcher 1925 -)

The fight is won or lost far away from witnesses—behind the lines, in the gym, and out there on the road, long before I dance under those lights.

(Muhammad Ali 1942 -)

Hard work spotlights the character of people: some turn up their sleeves, some turn up their noses, and some don't turn up at all.

We are told never to cross a bridge until we come to it, but this world is owned by men who have 'crossed bridges' in their imagination far ahead of the crowd.

#### ATHLETICS

They day began bright and clear as the Sydney High athletics team approached the Homebush Athletics Warm-up "Stadium". The boys were prepared for another outing, another carnival. Soon the weather began to turn and along with it, our hopes of a good turn out. The lack of boys present in high athletics team was disappointing, with only a percentage of the registered athletes turning up to race. We must do better this weekend.

The boys competed with the well known high spirit to out perform other schools in many events. Some to mention are include Shadman Ali continuing to run at around the 13sec mark in the 13's 100m, and George Denny-Smith who threw a whopping 11.69 in the 13's shot put. Dakshika Gunaratne jumped 5.78 in 16's long jump to come

4<sup>th</sup>, and Gehan Karunaratne jumping the same distance in 15's to place 2<sup>nd</sup>. Jeremy Luscombe who ran an outstanding 400m race in 54.56sec to put him in 3<sup>rd</sup> place. Finally a special mention to Lachlan Street running a 12.2sec 100m race to place him 4<sup>th</sup>, who also competed in 3 other events which I know of.

A great job to the boys who turned up, but we can do so much better with a full team.

I encourage all athletes to try their hardest to attend this week's carnival hosted by High and Scots. We must field a decent sized team seeing it is OUR carnival. It will be held on the coming Saturday 3/9/05 at ES marks athletics track. It is a great chance to truly show high spirit. Junior Athletics Captain Dickie Yu

**Richie Xu** 

	_		LJ	HJ	SP	100	200	400	800	1500	3000	Hurdles
ADEL	Nema	13							3.03			
ALI	Shadman	12				13	27.2					
CABANILLA	Brandon	12	3.33				31.9		2.46			
DENNY-SMITH	George	13				11.69						
PAUL	Antony	13										
QIU	Edward	12	14.12	1.35				1.09				17.7
TAYLOR	Kieran	13										17.7
TRANG	Derek	12	3.5	1.4								16.72
XIAO	Tony	13	4.12			13.52	28.6					
BROWN	Alasdair	13				14.3						
DESMOND	Patrick	14										19
IRELAND	Jeremy	13							2.3	5.09		
NGUYEN	Kent	14				12.5			1.06			
OSINSKI	Matthew	14	4.18				30.03					17.3
STOJANOVIC	Denis	14	4.47	1.4		13.8	27.3					16.5
TASSELL	Joshua	13					29.2					16.5
TSIAILIS	Anthony	14				13.8	29					
WONG	Matthew	14				13.6	28.1					17.5
KARUNAKARAN	Arun	15			9.13							
KANDASAMY	Arunan	15			9	13						
LIVINGSTONE	Joel	14				2.9						
MEHMEDBASIC	Muhamed	14							2.34			
MONTOYA ZORRILLA	Edwin	14							2,29	5.12		
NG	Danny	15				12.4						
PERANANTHAN	Varan	14			9.38							
SRIRANJAN	Kogulan	15		1			25.4			1		1

#### **Results from the Waverley Carnival**

			LJ	HJ	SP	100	200	400	800	1500	3000	Hurdles
STREET	Lachlan	14				12.2	24.9		59.6			17.5
VIEN	David	15			8.96	14.8						
GUNARATNE	Dakshika	16	5.78			12.3						
KARUNARATNE	Gehan	15	5.78									
LEVANIC	Nikola	16							2.23			
LUSCOMBE	Jeremy	16				11.9		54.56				
NGUYEN	Quan	15							2.27			
SHUTTLEWORTH	Aaron	16				12.4	25.4					
XU	Richard	16				12						
YANG	Louis	15			9.3				2.18			
AMIN	Ali	16								4.54		
BURRELL	Roger	17			13.66 1st							
KWON	Joon	16						1.03				
MASALEHDANI	Michael	16						55	2.1			
PHAM	Edward	17				12.4						
REIS	Andrew	16							2.2			
SUN	Dale	17						57.6				
THIEVIASINGHAM	Daniel	16						1.07				
THILLAINADESAN	Senthil	17						1.01				
WEI	Victor	16			11.32							
WONG	Francis	17								4.49		
Stretton	Jacob	17				11.7	24.2					
Ninyo	Joel	17			12.30 2nd							
Ovadia	Edward	17						1		1	10.18	

#### SOME KIDS CAN'T LIVE AT HOME WITH THEIR MUM AND DAD

There are many children in our area who are in need of a safe & secure home environment because they are unable to experience this in their own homes. This may be due to abuse, neglect or family breakdown.

The NSW Department of Community Services (DoCS) is looking for people who can provide crisis, short term, respite or long term care for these kids.

We are especially looking for foster carers for children five years & older. We also need carers for siblings, so brothers & sisters can stay together.

Children need carers who can provide stability & can help them through the different & sometimes challenging stages of their lives.

You can be single, married, with or without children of your own, & from any cultural background. It is important that you have experience with children. DoCS staff will work closely with you & support you with ongoing training & allowances.

Become a Foster Carer – For more information, please contact Rob, Mariam or Cheryl on 9245 1757.



# Linking Leaders - "Discover the leader in YOU!"

## "U Lead" Leadership Program

To graduate, a University of New South Wales Union "U Leader" must

- a) Undertake 15 hours of community service;
- b) Attend at least 6 of these 8 leadership workshops (1.5 hours each):
- \* Thinking about Leadership
- \* Personality and Leadership Style
- \* Effective Communication
- \* Wualities of Leaders

- \* Leadership Behaviours
- \* Effective Teamwork
- \* Leadership Communication
- \* Conflict Resolution

# "U Lead" is FREE!!!

- Presentation of Certificates: UNSW Kensington Campus 13 December
- Don't miss out! Applications for "U Lead" close Friday, 9 September

## Prestigious UNSW Co-op Scholarships & "U Lead"

## \$13,400 pa TAX FREE!!!

"We recognise that the UNSW Union's 'U Lead' program is an outstanding opportunity for students to extend their developing leadership skills and involvement in the community. Being part of this program will most certainly enhance the skills that we are looking for in our applicants."

#### Brooke Gillett Deputy Director UNSW Co-op Program

For more information about the UNSW Co-op Program, you can visit:

### www.co-op.unsw.edu.au



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### Who should apply?

All students in Years 10 and 11 are strongly encouraged to apply. You do not need to consider yourself a "leader" as there is no assumed knowledge for "U Lead" and there is no test you must pass.

We are looking for students who would like to develop confidence in leadership just as much as those who are already confident. Those selected will be a mix of students fitting into both of these categories.

### Workshop Times and Application Process

"U Lead" will involve 20 students from Yr 10 and 20 from Yr 11. In both years there will be 10 SBHS students and 10 SGHS students. Yr 11 workshops – 3:30 - 7:00 pm, Friday, Weeks 1-4, Term 4. Yr 10 workshops – 3:30 - 7:00 pm, Friday, Weeks 5-8, Term 4. Workshops will run at SBHS in Room 103.

Interested students should lodge an Expression of Interest by stating in 100 words or less "Why do you want to learn about leadership?" Include your full name, school name and roll call class.

Expressions of Interest should be brief and simple. Don't spend hours creating the perfect paragraph!

There are two possible ways to lodge your Expression of Interest:

- 1. Print it on an A4 paper sheet and deposit it with your Careers Adviser.
- 2. Email it as an attached Microsoft Word document. Email: linkingleaders@gmail.com

#### Expressions of Interest must be lodged before 3:20 pm, Friday, 9 September. Good luck!

### Linking Leaders

"On our year 12 muck-up day at SBHS, we raised thousands for charity. What we did was great but I look back and think how much more we could have contributed with skills developed through early leadership training. The vision for high school students to undertake leadership training has led to Linking Leaders, an initiative of SBHS proudly in partnership with UNSW Student Recruitment Office, UNSW Co-op Program and UNSW Union."

#### Mr. Hughee James SBHS Captain '03, *Linking Leaders* Founder & UNSW Student (Arts/Law)

Postal Address: PO Box 797 Kingsford NSW 2032, Email: <u>linkingleaders@gmail.com</u>



Sydney Boys High Music Department Presents Year 8 Music Soiree

Featuring



The Year 8 Concert and Jazz Band, String ensemble and Soloists.

Thursday September 8<sup>th</sup> 6.00pm. Great Hall

Year 7 Music Soiree Monday September 12<sup>th</sup> 6.00pm

Free Admission



# **POSITION VACANT**

# PERSON POWER FOR BBQ FLYING SQUAD Boys gain points towards Awards Scheme

(Suit those living 10-15 minutes from Mascot Bunnings) This activity has full support of our Principal Dr. Kim Jaggar

Bunnings Warehouse Mascot is offering Sydney Boys High first option on fundraising barbeques cancelled at late notice by other groups. Community groups are usually allocated one Barbeque every 3 months.

This is an excellent way to increase our allocation, raise the school profile and gain funds from outside the school community.

A minimum profit of \$1,000 can be expected from each BBQ.

Days BBQ's held: Minimum Notice:	Saturday or Sunday Thursday night i.e. 36 Hrs.	
Hours of Operation: Shift Hours:	8am till 4pm (Maximum) 2hrs (or more if available)	My

Profits can be shared between groups – e.g. 6 people from Fencing, 3 from Debating, 3 from Rowing – Profit would be allocated 50%, 25% and 25% respectively to the groups.

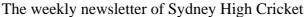
The school has a Kit of supplies and good connections with suppliers to be able to do the shopping at short notice.

Register your interest NOW by Contacting Valda Rosa on 9361 6910, extension 144



### THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION AND PARTICIPATION





www.sydneyboyscricket.info

After some delay, the Cricket Bulletin is back in print, just in time to publish some important details. Please be sure to take note of the new policies the school and GPS are imposing, as they will have implications for the entire High cricket community.

The cost of equipment and grounds, and the availability of coaches have forced the School to make changes to its policy of selecting cricket as your preferred summer sport. Saturday involvement is now compulsory for all those who nominate cricket. Anyone who cannot commit to Saturdays on a permanent basis will be required to select a different Wednesday/Thursday sport. The number of teams the School fields will depend on the number of nominations received. It is hoped to accommodate all those wishing to play Saturday GPS cricket, and the number of teams fielded should reflect this demand.

A number of changes have also been made to the format of Saturday matches for all teams, from 1<sup>st</sup> XI to the Under 13s. All changes will be posted on the cricket website as soon as they are confirmed for the information of players, coaches, and supporters. All those who have demonstrated their desire to be selected for the 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> XIs by attending training sessions could be one of the 35 players attending the camp. The cost will be \$123. This includes transport to and from the venue, all meals whilst on the camp, and the use of first class facilities. The Cricket Committee is being consulted on the possibility of subsidising this cost somewhat.

# With regard to training, athletes are expected to give preference to athletics over cricket training until the conclusion of the athletics season. This will not jeopardise your chances of selection in the $1^{st}$ or $2^{nd}$ XI.

The first cricket quiz had a huge response, with all answers correct. The quiz has therefore been stepped up and this week's question should challenge all. If any staff member knows the answer, please feel free to answer via <a href="mailto:sydneyhighcricket@hotmail.com">sydneyhighcricket@hotmail.com</a>. Don't forget to include your name.

Next week in the High Cricket Bulletin: the direction and plans for Sydney High Cricket from those in charge, and plenty more! Don't forget to check the Website at <u>www.sydneyboyscricket.info</u>, for more information.

KJL & LVH

**Question 2:** The two synthetic pitches at McKay are named after the coach and captain of a High GPS Premiership winning 1<sup>st</sup> XI. What were their names?

Email your name & answer to <a href="mailto:sydneyhighcricket@hotmail.com">sydneyhighcricket@hotmail.com</a>

Answer 1: 1994 was the last time High won the 1<sup>st</sup> XI GPS Premiership.



Results

Australia 218 & 387

by 3 wickets at Trent Bridge

**Series 2 - 1** 

Fixtures\_\_\_\_

23<sup>rd</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup> September Senior Camp NSWIS

> 15<sup>th</sup> October Trial Match vs Grammar



vs Scots

