

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



The Weekly Newsletter of Sydney Boys High School

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## From the Principal

### Term 3

Welcome back to term 3. On behalf of the whole school community I would like to warmly welcome Ms Mina Genias who joins us as an Ancient History teacher, transferring from Granville Boys.

### High Talent



On July 1 our three Year 7 and 3 Year 8 debating teams attended the UNSW Junior Schools debating day. Two Year 8 teams were undefeated on the day. Ben Wilcox, Siddartha Sethi, Yu-Jin Wu and Alexander Hughes won the day on total points – ranking them first of 44 teams. A great effort boys!

Congratulations to Zid Mancenido (12) and Max Phillis (10) on their selection as Australian representatives to The Hague International Model United Nations. Australia sends 17 representatives to join 4000 others from 90 countries in this prestigious international relations event. As well as attending a 5-day Model United Nations conference, the boys will enjoy a two week tour of Western Europe. As the only representatives chosen from NSW, Zid and Max really impressed the judges with their talent, passion, diplomatic nous and teamwork skills. Their participation brings credit to them and to their school.

Well done to our open Chess team, finishing second to Knox in the Secondary Schools One Day Tournament.

Congratulations to first grade Target Rifle Shooting for their solid 3<sup>rd</sup> place at the GPS Shoot at Hornsby 21-23, July. A great effort came from Ishan Nadkarni (3<sup>rd</sup> overall) and Matthew Tong (11) resulting in their selection in the GPS Combined Rifle Shooting Team. Thank you to Ms Cathy Meaney and Old Boy coaches Justin Hill and Kevin Chan for their efforts in preparing and supporting the team.

### Phillip Day Memorial Scholarship

I urge students with special talents, high all round ability or special needs to apply for the inaugural Phillip Day Memorial Scholarship. Details are on our website [www.sydneyboyshigh.com](http://www.sydneyboyshigh.com) / scholarships.

Applications close on July 31.

Dr K A Jaggar

### Public Speaking



The Sydney Boys Junior Oratory Competition starts this week for students in Years 7 and 8. This competition is designed to provide an opportunity for junior boys to develop their oratory skills and listen to some entertaining speeches. Students will be asked to deliver a prepared speech of 4 minutes on a topic of their choice. Students should see Ms Howland for information and to register for the event.

On Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> July Christopher Chiam and Cameron Morrison will be competing in the Local Final of the Legacy Junior Public Speaking Award. As part of this competition they will be delivering prepared and impromptu speeches. We wish them the best of luck.

### From the Library

Congratulations all you readers on *fabulous library use* over the holidays. We were so impressed by the number of resources returned on the first day back to school that we are publicising your library use - 181 resources returned this morning and 84 renewals waiting for us to do. 265 resources in total. Well done boys!

Mrs Crothers

## SYDNEY BOYS HIGH SCHOOL: THE FOUNDATION YEARS

### AFTER SCHOOL (continued)

Given the near complete lack of facilities and poor organisation of sport at the Castlereagh St School, it is interesting to note that some of the pupils managed to rise above these early disadvantages to make names for themselves as representative sportsmen.

**Alexander Cecil K Mackenzie** (1883-1886) became a NSW State cricketer, playing 48 matches between 1888 and 1907.

**Sydney Edward Gregory** (1887) became an Australian cricketer and test captain, playing 52 tests, 1890-1912.

**Stanley Wickham** (enrolled 1889) became an Australian Rugby international, playing 5 tests, 1903-1905.

**Stanley Rupert Rowley** (enrolled 1890) became an Olympic athlete, taking out bronze medals in the 60m, 100m and 200m running events at the 1900 Olympics.

Old Boys from Castlereagh Street gained prominence in many other fields, including journalism, law and medicine.

**Henry Killinger Williams** (1885-1887) became the Financial Editor of the *Sydney Morning Herald*.

**Charles Warren Harriott** (1883-1886) became the Honorary Secretary of the NSW Bar Association, 1912-1928.

**Henry Percy T Downing** (1886-1888) became a King's Counsel in 1921 and was also a director of numerous Western Australian companies.

**Francis Egerton Barraclough** (1886-1889), having been admitted as a solicitor in 1909, became the Deputy Master in Lunacy in the NSW Supreme Court.

**James Froude Flashman** (c 1884) studied medicine and became the Director of Pathology with the NSW Lunacy Department. He became Commander of the Sydney University Volunteer Rifle Corps in 1900 and served in the Australian Army Medical Corps in World War I. He died of disease near Boulogne, France on 12 February 1917.

**Gustav Hall Bohrsman** (enrolled 1885) became a medical practitioner. A specialist in skin diseases, he spent two years in China studying tropical medicine, beri-beri and leprosy. He was an unsuccessful candidate at the Legislative Assembly elections, 1913.

**Albert George Corbin** (1885-1888) became Medical Superintendent of Sydney Hospital, 1903-1906.

Finally, the last surviving Castlereagh Street pupil, **Peter Archibald Smith**, died on 29 September 1983, at the age of 105, co-incidentally just two days short of the School's centenary, and over 92 years after his original enrolment in 1891. Peter had pursued a career in the Presbyterian Church, entering the ministry in 1905 and becoming Moderator of the Presbyterian Assembly of NSW, 1940-1941.



*Rt Rev Peter Archibald Smith (1878-1983) the last surviving pupil from the School at Castlereagh Street.*



**SHS Old Boys Union**  
[www.shsobu.org.au](http://www.shsobu.org.au)

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## Ski Team News



Our Ski Team returned safely last Sunday from a superb week of skiing, snowboarding, racing and socialising in the snow.

Weather conditions on the mountain were, at times, extreme but fresh powdery snow was plentiful and all participants made good use of it.

I commend the team for their exemplary conduct, initiative and good sense during the week and I thank boys, their parents, the Committee, my colleagues Mr Andrew Fuller and Mr Serdar Bolen and numerous members of the wider school community for their sterling efforts in support of the venture this year.

Statistics on our individual and divisional performances in the races can be viewed at [www.interschools.org.au](http://www.interschools.org.au).

It is anticipated that winners of our Fundraising Raffle will be notified by the end of this week.

See you in the snow next year ! ?

M H Jones

## R U COLD!!!!

Get down to the High Store & purchase hand knitted scarves in SHS colours \$33 or chocolate brown scarves with SHS crest \$22. Beanies also available \$20.

Get in & Support SYDNEY HIGH at your son's rugby or football match with a polar fleece in highs colours. Looks great with jeans & also extremely warm. For this week only the High Store has a special offer of 10% off, normally \$69 now \$62

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## NEWS FROM LATIN

### DR WHO MEETS CAECILIUS !!

The Fires of Pompeii is a Dr Who episode for 2009 and is the exciting second episode in the fourth series.

The Doctor (David Tennant), a time traveller, is currently travelling with a female companion Donna Noble ( Catherine Tate ), moving through time and space in the Doctor's machine, a Tardis (Time and Relative Dimension(s) in Space). The Doctor believes he has arrived in first century Rome after an

earthquake. He realises he has materialized in Pompeii on 23<sup>rd</sup> August 79 AD, on the eve of the eruption of Vesuvius, even though he was warned to set his watch for the day after. When he gets back to his Tardis he discovers that it has been sold to Lucius Caecilius lucundus, played by Peter Capaldi.

At Caecilius' home, the Doctor and Donna meet his wife, Metella (Tracey Childs), his son, Quintus (Francois Pandolfo), Evelina (Francesca Fowler), who is to be inducted into the Sybilline Sisterhood (a secret society), his prophet daughter (a character created for the episode).

Though they try to go under the alias of Spartacus, the Doctor and Donna are identified by the future sight of Evelina and the local augur Lucius Petrus Dextrus (Phil Davis). The Doctor, disturbed by their knowledge of his and Donna's personal lives and by Lucius' commission for a strange slab of marble, decides to investigate as Donna reveals the future of Pompeii to Evelina, whose arm has mysteriously turned to stone, an act that seems to be related to Vesuvius.

A very exciting "Pompeian" episode.

Student from 7 Latin 3.

## Languages

### An Invitation to all Year 10 Parents



**What:** Year 10 Parents' Dinner  
**When:** Wednesday 30th July 2008, 7pm  
**Where:** No'n La Vietnamese Restaurant, 59 Fitzroy Street, Surry Hills  
**Cost:** \$35 per head for a banquet

**Contact:** Jules Bastable -  
[jules.bastable@olgr.nsw.gov.au](mailto:jules.bastable@olgr.nsw.gov.au), 0439-465-256 by Monday noon, 28<sup>th</sup> July if you have not already reserved a place and would like to attend

From the Canteen team ...

### Welcome back boys, staff and parents to a busy Term 3.

As our Canteen is a busy one, we build up a fair amount of loyalty points with our major suppliers. That translates into "free gifts" for the Canteen. Our fantastic staff are always on the look-out for ways to both encourage and reward our Canteen Volunteers, so they came up with the idea of a "Draw".

Basically, everyone who has turned up for duty this year up to end July will go in the draw to win a fabulous prize, which is.....

### A Gasmate Outdoor Heater!!

The more duty days completed, the more entries placed in your name. But wait, there's more.....keep turning up for duty, because there will be **another** draw at the end of the year, with **another** fabulous prize!

As I'm sure you all know, volunteer help in our canteen is **vital** to ensure healthy food for our boys and an ongoing income stream to the P&C for allocation to worthy school projects. **Thank you Volunteers.**

....From the Canteen Team



# Sydney Boys High School

## The Philip Day Memorial Scholarship

Years 7-12

Awarded to a talented student in academic  
and/or co-curricular endeavour or to a good all-rounder  
or to a student with special needs.

## Leading the way in all-round education

To apply for a scholarship visit [www.sydneyboyshigh.com/scholarship](http://www.sydneyboyshigh.com/scholarship)

Applications close on 31st July 2008

Sydney Boys High School  
Moore Park, Surry Hills 2010

Phone: 9361 6910

# THE ONION BAG



## GPS round 2: Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> June

GPS round 2 is against Riverview this weekend with games at McKay, Moore Park West and Riverview.

Check draw for details on school website: [www.sydneyboyshigh.com](http://www.sydneyboyshigh.com)

Venue information for this weekend	Wet Weather
McKay 3 & 4 Sydney High home grounds located in Centennial Park	9339 6670
MPW 16 Sydney High home grounds adjacent to school.	9339 6670
Riverview 2A & 2B Riverview home ground located in college grounds, Tambourine Bay Road, Lane Cove.	9882 8338
Buchanan 2 Newington home ground located in college grounds, 200 Stanmore Rd, Stanmore.	9432 6460

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

Details of Riverview's grounds can be found at: <http://www.riverview.nsw.edu.au/index.php> (Co-curriculum, sport at Riverview, sport venue information)

## CIS cup

Just prior to the holidays, the 1<sup>st</sup> XI played an Independent Schools Cup match v Waverley College. An under strength High were ambushed by a fast, skilful Waverley and conceded two goals in the first ten minutes. A third was conceded not long after and with the score 3 nil at half time the match was effectively all over. Pleasingly, High showed a bit more resolve in the second half and managed to pull one back, courtesy of another Ronan Casey spot kick. Does he ever miss?

Whilst Waverley were probably the better team, I would have liked to have seen how High would have gone with a full complement of players and a less disrupted pre-match preparation.

## Dolan Cup, Golden Boot and Golden gloves

Several teams have still not registered for these major awards. I need to know the name of the team captain and goal keeper. The captain is responsible for informing me of the match result, including goal scorers names by the following Monday. According to my records the following teams have not registered:

5<sup>th</sup>, 16C\*, 16A, 16E, 15A, 15E, 14B, 14C, 14E, 13C\*, 13A, 13B, 13E.

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## Quotes of the Week

‘IMITATION IS THE SINCEREST FORM OF FLATTERY’

Charles Caleb Colton

‘THE ORIGINAL IS ALWAYS THE BEST’

Colonel Harland Sanders





**APPLICATIONS FOR ENROLMENT 2009  
YEARS 8 - 12**

If you have siblings or friends who are interested in enrolling at Sydney Boys High in 2009 for Years 8 - 12 we would appreciate you passing on this information.

Limited places available. Applications available from Monday 23rd June 2008.



# **Sydney Boys High School**

**Applications For Enrolment in 2009  
Years 8-12**

**Leading the way in all round education**



Limited places available. Application forms are available from the school or visit [www.sydneyboyshigh.com](http://www.sydneyboyshigh.com) and click on the link to Enrolments.

**Applications close on 31 July 2008  
Sydney Boys High School  
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# Literacy Competition !!!

"Past Echoes Future Voices" Get ready to submit



- Thematic focus: "Past Echoes and Future Voices"
- Maximum word limit: 1000
- Three Writing categories - fiction, non-fiction and poetry
- Senior division (Years 10-12) Junior division (Years 7-9)
- Specific topics for non-fiction category will be provided
- Prizes involve a \$50 voucher for each winning category and division to be presented at speech night and published in The Records
- Closing Date: **END OF TERM 3**



literacy committee

# July/August 2008

25-07-2008

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
2 B	28 Great SBHS Piano Competition (Juniors), Great Hall, lunchtime Years 10,11,12 visual arts excursion to MCA, Cockatoo Island, all day. [C Reemst] Years 7, 8 Premier's Debating Competition at Rose Bay SC, periods 3-6	29 Great SBHS Piano Competition (Juniors), Great Hall, lunchtime Years 9, 10 drama excursion to 'Taboo' at Wharf Theatre 1:30 pm Senior elective music classes to composition workshop, MLC Burwood, all day. National Schools Debating Competition. [two debates, morning]	30 OC placement test, Great Hall 9:00 am - 12:00 noon UMAT examination Great SBHS Piano Competition (Juniors), Great Hall, lunchtime Rugby Committee Meeting, Room 901, 6pm Legacy junior public speaking awards at SCEGGS, 9:30 am	31 Australian Mathematics Competition Periods 5, 6 Years 10 and 12 careers assembly in Great Hall Closing date for applications to Selective High Schools - Years 8-12 for 2009 Senior Showcase Concert, Great Hall	1 Year 8 Art excursion to the Zoo Debating TKS v SHS Senior Showcase Concert, Great Hall Years 7, 8 Premier's Debating Competition at Rose Bay SC, periods 3-6	2 Sport SHS v TKS Cross Country: KGS Invitation, St Ives Showground (10:00 am) Rugby Fundraiser, Great Hall, 6pm	3
3 A	4 Great SBHS Piano Competition (Seniors), Great Hall, lunchtime	5 Class Photos Years 7-12 Great SBHS Piano Competition (Seniors), Great Hall, lunchtime Debating Supporters Group Meeting, Common Room, 6:30pm	6 Years 7, 8 and 9 Assembly, Period 2 Years 10, 11 and 12 Assembly, Period 3 Great SBHS Piano Competition (Seniors), Great Hall, lunchtime	7 Periods 5, 6 Years 10 and 12 careers assembly in Great Hall Year 12 Showcase Concert, Great Hall, 7pm	8 Mufti Day - Jeans for Genes [Year 8] Debating Shore v SHS Year 7 and Year 8 Chinese classes excursion to Nan Tien Temple.	9 Sport SHS v Shore Cross Country: NC Invitation, Sydney Park (10:00 am) HSC Chinese Continuers Speaking Examinations HSC French Continuers Speaking Examinations Parking - Swans v Fremantle (Rowing)	10
4 B	11 Trial HSC Music performance, Great Hall, all day Year 9 High Resolves program [30 boys], all day Sydney East Area Athletics Carnival, SOPAC (Homebush) (pm) Amnesty activity, lunchtime, details TBA P&C Executive Meeting	12 *** Sydney East Area Athletics Carnival, SOPAC (Homebush) ICAS English Competition Year 9 High Resolves program [30 boys], all day Year 12 Study Day Trial HSC Music performance, Great Hall, all day Year 7 'Science in the City' excursion, all day.	13 Trial HSC Cricket Committee AGM, Staff Common Room, 6pm	14 Trial HSC	15 Trial HSC Year 8 History/Geography excursion, all day Debating SHS v NC	16 Sport NC v SHS Cross Country: SGS Invitation, Centennial Park (10:00 am) HSC Chinese Extension Speaking Examinations HSC French Extension Speaking Examinations	17
5 A	18 Trial HSC Summer Sports selections High resolves leadership training - 30 selected Year 9 students	19 Trial HSC High resolves leadership training - 30 selected Year 9 students Foundation Meeting, Randwick Rugby Club, 6pm Rowing Committee AGM, Common Room, 7:30pm	20 Trial HSC School Council Meeting, Board Room, 5:30pm P&C Meeting, Common Room, 7:30pm	21 Trial HSC	22 Trial HSC Debating SHS v TSC Years 8-11 Chinese excursion to movie and yum cha, from period 2	23 Sport TSC v SHS Cross Country: Shore Invitation, Macquarie University (10:00 am) Sydney High Volleyball Tournament, SHS Gym 8:30 am - 5:00 pm	24