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From the Principal High Talent

High had very significant representation in the CHSSA state cross country team competing at the All Schools Carnival. Our representatives were: Anton Brokman (13 years); Lloyd Perris, Oliver Kirk, Vincent Ye and Siddharth Sethi (14 years); Adam Booth, Pasan Pannila, Jeremy Dobrowolski and Alex Hughes (15 years); Samuel Lane (16 years); Harrison Lane, Jeremy Ireland, Alasdair Brown, David Chau (17 years). Sydney High also represents CHSSA in the 14, 15 and 17 years school teams.

Reports

Boys in Years 9-12 should have their reports. If your son has not discussed his report with you, please ask him for it. Parent Teacher interviews for Years 10-12 will be held next Thursday, July 2 between 3 and 7:30 pm. Please respond early to our new online booking system so that all preferences are in before the final computer 'best fit' operation occurs after close of business on Monday, June 29. We are hopeful that the new system will allow you to plan your evening more effectively and get to see more teachers in a shorter time, with less waiting for appointments.

University Information evening



The fifth annual SBHS–SGHS University Information Evening was held last Thursday from 7pm. Despite the weather the evening

was once again a success. My thanks go to Richard Ayre for organising the evening and Ralph Watson for his input and Steve Denny for the catering. Parents in Years 9-11 should make a note of the annual event held in late June to give our senior boys the latest information about university courses. Year 10 boys should be doing 'career voyage' surveys online on R drive to ascertain their most appropriate vocational areas.

Peer Support Assembly

Last week's Peer Support Assembly was a great opportunity to thank the 76 Year 10 boys who completed the program at the end of term 1 to facilitate the transition of our Year 7 boys into High. The Peer Support

Leaders were presented with certificates. Representatives from Years 7 and 10 spoke about the benefits of the program. I would like to thank Ms Berger for her enthusiasm and great organisation which combined to make the program run so smoothly again.

Eastern Suburbs Zone Athletics



High organised this carnival in what turned out to be very trying weather conditions at

ES Marks Field. Previous weather delays meant that the carnival had to go ahead regardless of the weather. Richard Ayre coordinated the event with participating schools supplying officials. We sent Messrs Aldous, Baldock, Codey, Farrington and Mulroney to help run the carnival. I would like to thank them for their efforts, given the conditions in which they had to operate. High as usual dominated the carnival in the boys' events.

Tax deductible education expensesDear School Principal

I would like to thank you for your co-operation in helping ensure parents, carers, legal guardians and independent students were provided with key facts about the Education Tax Refund initiative. As the end of the financial year (30 June 2009) approaches, we would like to remind those eligible to make their Education Tax Refund claim. We also want to ensure that those eligible:

- know how to claim, and
- have saved receipts for purchases they can claim and continue to do so.

I would therefore again request that you include the key messages below in your school newsletter and/or any other appropriate notices you distribute to parents, carers, legal guardians or independent students, many of whom may be eligible to make a claim.

To avoid any confusion, please insert the information below without making changes to the text.

In addition, the Tax Office has prepared, specifically for schools, some frequently asked questions and answers.

These questions and answers can be found on the Tax Office website by following the link below.

http://ato.gov.au/individuals/content.asp?doc=/content/001921 05.htm

Thank you for your assistance.

Yours faithfully

Erin Holland Deputy Commissioner of Taxation

Education Tax Refund - Don't forget to claim

How do I claim the Education Tax Refund?

- In your tax return.
- If you don't lodge a tax return, claim on a separate form or over the phone.
- If you use a tax agent, make sure you ask them to claim for you.

The Education Tax Refund lets you claim up to 50% of eligible education expenses for school children. If you are eligible, you can get back up to \$375 for each primary student and up to \$750 for each secondary student. You can claim things like text books, stationery and even internet costs.

If you receive Family Tax Benefit Part A for a child at primary or secondary school, you will be eligible. Some other people are eligible too, to find out more about this and other information such as what you can and can't claim go to australia.gov.au/educationtaxrefund or call the Tax Office on 13 28 61.

 Remember, you need to keep all receipts for expenses you claim.

Dr K A Jaggar

School Staff Selection Panel Training

At various times during the year the school is required to form selection panels to fill teaching and executive staff vacancies. The composition of these panels includes a school community member who must be trained in specific selection panel procedures. If you are interested in participating in this process and are prepared to undertake the two-hour training course, please register your interest with the Principal's Assistant, Ms Lynne Williams on 9361 6910 Ext: 114 or WilliamsL@sydneyboys-h.schools.nsw.edu.au

If there are sufficient expressions of interest, the training could take place at the school at a mutually agreeable time. Courses are also conducted at the Arncliffe office of the Sydney Region.

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Years 10, 11 and 12 will take place on Thursday 2 July 2009 3.00pm – 7.30pm

Booking interviews with your son's teachers

This year we are using a web based electronic scheduling system for arranging interviews. This should produce better results for all participants, especially more compact time schedules for both parents and teachers. The system works as follows –

- On Tuesday 23 June all parents of boys in Years 10, 11 and 12 were sent by email details of the scheduling system and a unique code to be entered at www.edval.com.au/book.
- This email was sent to the address currently held by the school. If you have not received this email you should notify the school at ptnight@sydneyboys-h.schools.nsw.edu.au advising of this. Please indicate your son's name and roll class or date of birth so that the information can be forwarded to you.
- On the Edval website you will see your son's teachers listed and you will be able to select those with whom you require an interview. At the same time you can indicate your availability between 3:00 pm and 7:30 pm.
- Once the majority of parents have requested interviews, the overall schedule will be generated by the school and your individual schedule should be available for you to download and print from Tuesday 30 June.
- Boys from all Years will be dismissed from class at the conclusion of Period 5 (2:15 pm) on this day. School Special buses will run to normal schedules and there will be supervision in the Junior Quad of boys waiting for these buses.
- Interviews should not exceed five minutes' duration. If there is insufficient time, a further appointment may be made for a later date, or contact by telephone arranged.

If you have any queries, please contact Mr Beringer at the school

Similar arrangements will be made for Years 7 to 9 boys. The emails should be sent on Monday 29 June. If you have not received an email by Tuesday 30 June you should notify the school at

<u>ptnight@sydneyboys-h.schools.nsw.edu.au</u> advising of this. Please indicate your son's name and roll class or date of birth so that the information can be forwarded to you. Interview timeslots should be available for download and printing on Monday 6 July.

Education Access Scheme - HSC Students

Most institutions that participate in the University Admissions Centre (UAC) have an Educational Access Scheme (EAS) for applicants who have experienced long term educational disadvantage. To qualify applicants must demonstrate that their educational performance during Years 11 and 12 or equivalent have been seriously affected by circumstances beyond their control.

Students applying for the Educational Access Scheme (EAS) for Universities in 2010 can download their booklets and application forms from the website: www.uac.edu.au.

Students who require a Statement of Support from the school counsellor should make the counsellor aware of their situation as soon as possible. The completed EAS form, along with all required information and documentation, needs to be with the counsellor by the end of week 7, term 3. The responsibility for sending the finalised application to UAC by 30th September 2009 rests with the individual student.

S Plummer and E Harman - Counsellors

FROM THE ANDREWS LIBRARY (Junior and Integrated Book and Cyber Library)



Years 10-12 are reminded that if reading books is an established learning practice for them they may need to occasionally work in the Andrews Library in order to maintain borrowing or their reading and its associated skills may drop off.

ALL SENIORS ARE WELCOME TO WORK IN THE ANDREWS (THEIR ONLY BOOK LIBRARY) EVEN WHEN THE SENIOR LIBRARY IS OPEN.

NEW BOOKS THIS WEEK:

Senior non-fiction:

Investigating Globalisation Through the APEC Experience - Robert Lewis, Tim Gurry and Arnold Jorge, Story of the Silk Road - Zhang Yiping and translated by Jia Zongyi, Beijing Memories In Ink - Charles Chauderlot, Open Economies Delivering to People - A report prepared for the APEC Economic Leaders Meeting, The Backgrounds of Shakespeare's Plays, Plays of the 60s - Edited by Katherine Brisbane, The Art of Persuasion - Edited by Benjamin Genocchio, The Greening Of China - Geoffrey Murray and Ian G. Cook, The Art of The Chinese Gardens-He Guangwei, Speaking My Language SBS Radio, 2006 Sydney and Blue Mountains Street Directory, Selected Poems and Pictures of Song Dynasty, Masks and Shadow Play of China. The Handbook of Creative Writing - Edited by Steven Earnshaw, Environmental Issues - Robert L. MacConnell and Daniel C. Abel, Loner. Inside a Labor Tragedy - Bernard Lagan. All About Breast Cancer -Fred Stephens, Cancer Explained - Professor Fred Stephens, Clarkson Collection - Jeremy Clarkson, All About Prostate Cancer - Fred Stephens.

Junior non-fiction:

World Map Masters, Changing Climate - Louise Spilsbury, Chinese Ceramics, Chinese Kite, Chinese are on Cloths, Region Hoe Wand, Crusades the Struggle for the Holy Lands

Teacher References:

Making a Difference Recognising and Notifying Child Abuse and Neglect, Peer Mediation Skills - John DeMarco, Cooperative Learning and Higher Level Thinking - Doctor Chuck W. Wiederhold, Class Building - Miguel Kagan, Laurie Kagan and Spencer Kagan, Library and Research Skills 1 - Laura Morrison, Library and Research Skills 2 - Laura Morrison, Environmental Education Policy for Schools.

Senior Fiction:

Pepy's Diary - Robert Latham , The Great Gatsby - Nicky Greenburg, Singing the Sadness - Reginald Hill, Cold Heart - Lynda Laplante, Crossfire - Andy Macnab, The Unnumbered - Sam North, A Scarpetta Omnibus - Patricia Cornwell, In the Evil Day - Peter Temple, The Dark Room - Minette Walters, Scared to Live - Stephen Booth, The Most Wanted - Jaquelyn Mitchard, Bitter Medicine - Sara Paretsky, Bare Bones - Kathy Reichs, Deception on His Mind - Elizabeth George, Shutter Island - Dennis Lehane, Deadly Decisions - Kathy Reichs.

Junior Fiction:

The Higher Power of Lucky - Susan Patron, The Tempest - William Shakespeare, The Belgariad -

Magicians Gambit – David Eddings, Kid's Night In – Edited by Jessica Adams and Juliet Partridge.

Mrs Crothers – Librarian, Andrews Library

YEAR 11 PARENTS MEETING NOTICE

The Year 11 Parents Year Group will be holding a meeting on:

Date: Tuesday 30th June, 7.30pm Location: The Staff Common Room adjacent to the main foyer. Drinks and snacks will be provided.

Mr Steve Codey, the Year Adviser for our boys, has offered to come along and discuss with us the HSC subject choices for Year 12. Mr Codey has recently attended an in-service with the Board of Studies on the HSC, assessments, special provisions etc.

He will also have information on subject selection and the number of units boys should do for the HSC. I'm sure we will all find this very useful.

For further details or to add agenda items, please contact Steve Saunders sbhs.year2010@gmail.com

M: 0411-851-412

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Rifle Shooting



Last Saturday we held a BBQ and Open Day. We had approximately 50 people attend – Students, Coaches, Friends, Old Boys and Parents. Many tried Rifle Shooting for the first time and then joined us for a BBQ lunch. Unfortunately the weather was very unkind and the afternoon activities had to be cancelled.

Thank you to all the mums who helped out with the organisation of the BBQ and also to the dads for the actual cooking. Everyone had a great time!!

Cathy Meaney - Rifle Shooting MIC (Admin)

Volleyball Report



Sydney High opened its 2009 GPS Volleyball season with a resounding straight sets victory over Scots. Although they were missing three of their four state representatives, the game was

dominated throughout by High. The first set was a very quick affair, as High held Scots to a single digit while scoring 25 points themselves. Despite an initial lead from Scots, High soon found their range helped by some massive hits from Nishan. Fill in libero, Patrick Lai did a great job in the back court while Chris Morrow backed up from his NSW experience. The second and third sets saw similar starts with High experimenting with different combinations. Strong net presence by Daniel Shan ensured the point was High's. High took the match out in straight sets – a great effort.

Results v Grammar 1sts defeated Grammar 3 sets to 1 2nds defeated Grammar 3 sets to 0

Sydney High continued its impressive 2009 run taking its unbeaten streak to 18 for the year leading up to the CHS finals next week with a victory over Sydney Grammar. The round against Grammar is traditionally the toughest and this match proved no exception with Grammar pushing High to 4 sets. The players took a set or two to acclimatise to their new positions, including Ritam Mitra as libero, Shorson as outside hitter, Daniel Shan as middle and Merlin Li as universal. However, consistent hitting from Chris Morrow and Nishan led to High prevailing in the first two sets. Grammar lifted their intensity to take out the third set but High secured victory in the final set. Highlights included a Balraj *barrage* late in the game as well as Joshua Suh and Nelson Wang consistently shutting out any form of attack.

Ritam Mitra Captain of Balls

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FED Success! Congratulations!

As a fitting end to the season we hosted the FED Grand Final last Friday night. From a competition development perspective it was fantastic to see all 6 participant school making the grand final round with a great spread of wins across the schools. On an even more exciting note SBHS had a fantastic end to the competition as Runners-Up for year 9 and 10 and Winning the Year 8 and Senior B trophies! Good show from all the boys (especially seniors) who came along to help our boys to victory.

Congratulations to all boys who debated and especially to our winning teams!

YEAR 8 (defeated Barker)

Kritman Dhamoon Wilber Koslowski Connor Robinson Amarbir Singh SENIOR B (defeated Barker)

Angud Chawla Justin Chan Declan McCrea Steele John Aclis

Great appreciation must also go to the boys who served admirably as chairpeople and timekeepers for the competition. The evening would not have gone as smoothly as it did without them – topics announcements would have been a nightmare and visiting schools would not have found their rooms as easily as they did.

These boys were a credit to the Debating Program and SBHS – thank you boys!

Ashwin Rudder, Sunchit Sethi, Steven Chung, Andrew Liu, Samir Kinger, Daniel Fang, Adam Ceh, Yuan Shi, Andre Brokman, Nathan Kong, Siddharth Sethi and Jaan Pallandi.

Sincere (and tasty) thanks must go as always to Supper Coordinator Irene Ben and her team of parents for delivering yet another delicious and diverse supper. Once again it is a credit to our parents that we are able to put on such a welcoming display for our visitors.

DSG MEETING NOTICE:

The Debating Support Group (DSG) will be having a meeting for all parents Tuesday 30th June from 6.30pm in the Staff Common Room.

Among other things this meeting will discuss the wrap-up to the Eastside and FED competitions as well as the lead in to the GPS and Social Debate Season.

I strongly encourage all parents to attend and get involved with the DSG!

Coming Up

Friday 26th June - Coaching AND Newington Social (13 teams, @ Newington)

Friday 3rd July – Coaching ONLY

Friday 10th July - NO COACHING, end of Term 2

Friday 31st July - Coaching AND GPS Round 1 (@ Joeys)

More GPS details to follow

Dana Quick Debating Coordinator

More information can be found at www.sydneyhigh.org/debating and will be emailed to you on a weekly basis.

Please CHECK YOUR EMAIL regularly and ensure we have current contact details for both students and parents.

PARENTS: If you are not receiving weekly emails about debating please email us at sbhsdebating@gmail.com and ask to be added to the parent group for your child's year.

Sydney Boys High School Fencing



2009 Annual Fencing Family Dinner

WHEN: Thursday July 9 2009

TIME: 6.30pm

WHERE: Maya da Dhaba, 431 Cleveland Street, Surry Hills, NSW 2010

PARKING: Limited on-street parking on Bourke and Crown Streets. Easier to park at the School or Coles, Surry Hills, corner of Cleveland & Baptist Streets

BYO: Drinks

COST: Cost of the banquet is \$30

RSVP with your choice of Vegetarian or Non-Vegetarian to Neena Bhandari on neena@india-voice.com or 9331 2767 by 9 am Monday July 6 2009

Enrolments for 2010

If you have siblings or friends who are interested in applying to Sydney Boys High School in 2010 for Years 8-12 we would appreciate you passing on this information. Limited places available.

Applications close 30th July 2009



and click on the link to enrolments.

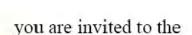
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Sydney Boys High School Moore Park Surry Hills 2010





Time: 7pm on September 8 **Venue: Great Hall**

\$60 per head

(Alcohol will be available. BYOG.)

RSVP Monday August 3rd

Welcome: Neville Morgan (class of '65)

Pianist: Alex Belokopytov 1st Recipient: Alex Belokopytov

Joseph E. McIvor (class of '01) Speaker:

Subject: Capitalism & the Free Market are Dead (a corporate, tax deductible professional learning opportunity) Phillip J. Day Scholarship Dinner Name(s) of guests: _ # of Tickets: _ Type of Payment: □ Cheque □ Cash □ Credit Card: MasterCard OR Visa Card Number: _____ Expiry Date: __/_ ____ Amount to be deducted:____ Cardholder's Name: Cardholder's Signature: Work/Mobile #: Cheques Payable to: Sydney Boys High School **Email:** Enquiries: BarrisC@sydneyboys-h.schools.nsw.edu.au

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
10 A	Attendance and Progress Review (all Years) High Resolves - Year 8 (Group A), Great Hall, all day	High Resolves - Year 8 (Group B), Great Hall, all day Year 11 parents' group meeting in the Staff Common Room, 7:30 pm	Year 12 Study Day Rugby: CAS v GPS, BC Football: CAS v GPS 1st Grade CHS volleyball finals, Olympic Park all day.	Year 12 Assessment Examinations Parent/Teacher Night, Years 10 to 12, 3pm-7:30pm 1st Grade CHS volleyball finals, Olympic Park all day.	Year 12 Assessment Examinations Year 11 English Assessment task, Period 2 Rugby: CHS v GPS, Knox	4	5
11 B	6 Year 12 Assessment Examinations	7 Year 12 Assessment Examinations	8 Year 12 Assessment Examinations Parent/Teacher Night, Years 7 to 9, 3pm-7:30pm	9 Year 12 Assessment Examinations Fencing Dinner 6.30 pm at Maya-da-dhaba, Cleveland Street		11	12
1 A	27 Staff Development Day	28 School resumes Years 7-12 GPS Shoot, Hornsby	29 GPS Shoot, Hornsby UMAT examination Rugby Committee Meeting, Room 901, 6pm	30 Australian National Chemistry Quiz - Period 3 Closing date for applications to Selective High Schools - Years 8-12 for 2010	31 Cross Country, NSW All Schools Championships, Eastern Creek Debating Assembly, Great Hall, 12:20pm Debating SJC v SHS Senior Cadet Dinner, Main Foyer, from 5:00pm	1 Sport SHS v SJC Rugby SHS v TKS Cross Country: NC Invitation, Sydney Park (10:00 am)	2
2 B	3 Year 12 English incursion [Module A enrichment], periods 3,4 Great Hall Year 7 visual arts excursion to the zoo, all day.	4 ICAS English Competition Debating Supporters Group Meeting, Common Room, 6:30pm	5 OC placement test, Great Hall Great SBHS Piano Competition, Great Hall, lunchtime Meet the Music concert, SOH, 6:30pm	6 Australian Mathematics Competition Showcase Concert, Great Hall, 7:00pm	7 Years 7 and 10 vaccinations, periods 1-4 Mufti Day - Jeans for Genes [Year 8] Debating SIC v SHS Showcase Concert, Great Hall, 7:00pm	8 Sport SHS v SIC Rugby Shore v SHS Cross Country: TKS Invitation, King's (10:00 am)	9