

From the Principal High Talent



Exciting news from the CHS Athletics carnival this week where High won the Kippax Cup (Boys Pointscore) for the first time since 1989, in Aaron Hunt's year. Chris Morrow won the U16 high jump with a leap of 1.98m. Our 12 years relay (Anthony Chen, Anthony Yuan, Philip Lam, Joshua Leo) and 14 years relay (Edward Zhang, Patrick Krakovsky, Ming Chin, James Chotiyanonta) teams, both won gold. With spikes and sage advice, our 12 years boys lowered their PB by a massive 2.49 seconds in the final! Bronze medals were won by Edward Zhang in the 14s 100m., Ivor Metcalfe in the 14 years High Jump and Lloyd Perris in the 14s 1500m. Thank you to Mr Ayre for managing the large squad of athletes for the championships over three days and for his expert coaching and mentoring of the relay teams in particular.

Well done to the qualifiers for the Australian Interschools Ski Championships – Tim Collier (Year 8) Tom Connolly (Year 9) and Sam Lane (Year 10). Congratulations to our PDC Karl Kramp debating



competition winners – Max Phillis, Antony Paul, Justin Chan and Angud Chawla. Our team successfully opposed the proposition defended by Sefton High that we should prioritise the environment rather than the global financial crisis. A great result in GPS Volleyball again. High made a clean sweep



by accounting for Sydney Grammar in first and second grade last Saturday without dropping a set to become GPS Champions for 2009 in both grades.

Well done to our teams who made it to the Metropolitan East Region Finals in the Interschools Chess competition.



Intermediate A : Dawen Shi, Dominic Nguyen, Ilya Bonch-Osmolovsky, Leon Sheldon, Raymond Lee; Junior A : Dominic Mah, Cosmo Liu, Elbert Ly, Andrew Tayeh, Darryl Chan; Junior B: Kin Pan, James Chen, Daniel Wei, Jeffrey Ni, Sumen Kumareswaran, Eric Xu. Chess participation

at the moment is suffering from under representation by senior school players. I encourage former players to return to support what is a great co-curricular activity.

The Phillip Day Memorial Scholarship Dinner



A large gathering of former colleagues, students and friends celebrated the life of Phillip Day at the inaugural Scholarship dinner last Tuesday evening. The evening was hosted by 1965 School Captain, Neville Morgan and the inaugural economics address delivered by Joe McIvor (2001). Terry O'Brien, a long time friend of Phil's, spoke eloquently and in detail about Phil's networking and interpersonal skills and about the impact that he had made on a large number of people. My address to launch the appeal is reprinted hereafter:

Thank you all for attending the inaugural Phillip Day Memorial Dinner and Lecture. Tonight is about celebrating the teaching of economics and honouring the pursuit of personal bests in co-curricular life. It is also about the purposeful reunion of people who knew Phil. James Barrie observed that "those who bring sunshine into the lives of others cannot keep it from themselves." Your presence tonight is evidence enough of Phil's sustained solar emissions.

Since June, 2006, when new regulations permitting tax deductible status to be granted to donors to scholarship funds, there has been a stream of funds flowing into independent schools. As the only state school competing in this environment, High needed to respond too. Taking advantage of these new rules, the *Phillip Day Memorial Scholarship Trust Deed* was executed on July 4, 2008. The initial capital to establish the fund was \$16,000, collected in the months after Phil's passing. The Trustee, the Sydney High School Foundation Inc, is empowered to sponsor or organise fund raising activities for the benefit of the *Phillip Day Memorial Scholarship Trust Fund*. The Trust Fund has designated gift recipient status and donations to it are tax deductible. In order to qualify as a public fund, proceeds from the Scholarship Trust Fund must be accessible by a large number of prospective applicants. Hence, students both inside High and those applying for entry to High are eligible for the award of the Phillip Day Memorial Scholarship.

Under the terms of the Deed, each year 25% of the balance of the income of the Trust is to be applied to funding a yearly scholarship or scholarships to talented all round students with special needs or commitments, financial or otherwise, arising out of their participation in activities organised or promoted by the school in various areas of academic, sporting, cultural, performance, service, leadership or associated endeavour. The criteria for awarding of financial assistance by the Trust were written broadly to allow the incumbent Principal (after consulting with the Trustee or its Advisory Committee) to determine the means of selection of suitable applicants for the scholarships.

In Phil's memory, the financial assistance of the Trust is offered to students to help them perpetuate High's romantic notion of the Renaissance Man. The well rounded man with a grasp of most things was an ideal supported by Phil wholeheartedly. High's ethos is to pursue excellence in a wide range of activities. High's organisation is designed to provide students with opportunities to do so. The *Phillip Day Memorial Scholarship* is set at \$1200 to enable an individual to pursue personal best performance.

In order to allow an initial awarding of the Scholarship, the school funded the first scholarship to preserve the Trust Deed funds. A Committee of Phil's friends decided who would be the first recipient. Alexander Belokopytov has very ably lived up to Phil's notion of the fully engaged, accomplished High all rounder. However, in order for the Scholarship Fund to be self-sustaining, a capital sum of around \$100,000 will be needed. Given that the current balance of the *Phillip Day Memorial Scholarship Trust Fund* is \$25,000, the school will need to make a commitment to underwrite the scholarship fund for some time to come.

On behalf of the Trustee, I appeal to you tonight to give generously so that our objective of a self-funding significant scholarship honouring Phil's life and legacy can be achieved speedily.

Con Barris was the principal organiser of tonight's function. Today he also accepted the offer of Deputy Principal. On your behalf I would like to present him with a gift of appreciation.

Direct donations on the night totalled \$5260. Our first target is to build the Fund to \$50,000. I hope people in the wider school community may also give to this worthy cause. The donation form can be accessed on our website, www.sydneyboyshigh.com.

Dr K A Jaggar

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Parent Information Evenings

Year 9

2010 Parent Information Evening

A Parent Information Evening will be held on Monday 21 September in the Great Hall at 6.00 pm to discuss the subjects studied by boys in Year 9 2010.



Year 10

2010 Parent Information Evening

A Parent Information Evening will be held on Tuesday 15 September in the Great Hall at 6.00 pm to discuss the subjects studied by boys in Year 10 2010. Subject Acceleration (in subjects such as Modern History, Geography, Music etc) has been offered to Year 10 boys in past years. In 2010 Year 10 boys will study 2 electives (possibly including an Acceleration subject). The options available to boys for 2010 will be discussed at the meeting. The main focus of the meeting will be relevant for boys interested in subject acceleration.

Year 11

2010 Parent Information Evening

A Parent Information Evening will be held on Monday 21 September in the Great Hall at 7.00 pm to discuss the subjects studied by boys in Year 11 2010.

R Dowdell

Deputy Principal

YEAR 12 PARENTS FAREWELL DINNER 7pm Tuesday 22 September

MAYA TANDOORI
1st Floor, 468 - 472 Cleveland Street
(near SBHS)

Banquet Menu \$30 per person
BYO alcohol

RSVP Toni Lindeback 0403 923 359
sbhs2009@gmail.com

Please indicate if you would like a vegetarian meal.
Toni Lindeback & Megan Eriksson Year 12 P&C
parent representatives

YEAR 12 STUDENTS

Reference and Valeta Documents are to be completed and delivered to the Ante Room by
18 September 2009

FROM THE ANDREWS JUNIOR BOOK AND CYBER LIBRARY



NEW RESOURCES THIS WEEK: JUNIOR RESOURCES: LIBRARY STATISTICS

As some library statistics were analysed this week for the Junior Library's report for The Record, I thought I might share this information with High parents and students while it is still fresh.

Library book loans are holding their own with 12,415 book loans over the 12 months from September last year until today. An in-school survey indicates a strong correlation between book borrowing and top HSC results and school prizes.

The junior library was used for 1114 hours for teaching lessons in the last year. 541 hours were for teachers using computers for class work, and 569 hours were booked for non computer use class work – mainly wide reading.

Approximately 1548 items were added to the Library's collection in the last year, thanks to the hard working Library staff and many thoughtful donors. A culling program ensures that the library's collection is seldom any older than 15 years.

An average of 3066 people per week walk through our Library counters. The total number of people visiting the Andrews Library per year is 122,628. This might show that the students have some faith in the future or role of libraries.

MORE ON THE BOOK BLOG Special thanks to Ms Walles for allowing her Year 8 class to be the first class to participate in this book blog. We look forward to publishing reviews on 30 new fictions books on the school website.

DONATION TO THE OLD BOYS COLLECTION

The Old Boys Collection continues to attract contributions and is housed at the beginning of the fiction shelves. Last week we were contacted by an Old Boy – Emeritus Professor Stanley Livingstone, to be given the travelogue - *In the Footsteps of Livingstone and Stanley* and two screen plays – *The Gracchi Brothers* and *The Quest of Isabelle Romee, Vindicate my daughter, Joan of Arc*. Professor Livingstone himself is a reminder to the boys that a successful career comes from a passionate interest in knowledge. He failed Chemistry at school one year, yet ended up becoming a Professor of

Inorganic Chemistry. The Old Boys' Collection and the Old Boys themselves are a fabulous inspiration to the boys.

NEW BOOKS THIS WEEK:

Senior Fiction: *Dying To Sin*-Stephen Booth, *Fresh Kills*-Reggie Nadelson, *Down into the Darkness*-David Lawrence, *The Brethren*-John Grisham, *The Street Lawyer*-John Grisham, *The Gambler*-John Grisham, *Body Double*-Julie Prap, *Media and Society*- Michael O'Shaughnessy & Jane Stadler, *Physical Geology, Exploring The Earth*-James S. Monroe & Reed Wicander

Senior Non fiction: *When All Is Said and Done*-Jack Gibson, *Selected Poems*-A. D. Hope, *The State and International Relations*-John M. Hobson, *Understanding Earth*-Frank press & Raymond Siever, *Management*-Danny Samson & Richard L. Daft, *Tim Maguire*- Laura Murray Cree(Ed), *CustomerRelationship Management*- William G. Zikmund et al, *Harbourlights*- Gavin Wilson, *Towards a New Vision*- Neville Meaney. *Commonwealth Public Address* – Marion B Mc Leod, *Practical Pollination Biology* – Amots Dafniet al(ed), *Managerial Finance* – J Fred Weston, *The Wealth of Nations* – Adam Smith, *Tourism Management* – David Weaver et al,

Junior Fiction: *My Ishmael*-Daniel Quinn, *My Country, Australian Poetry & Short Stories Volume One*-Various Authors , *Forever Odd* – Dean Koontz.

Junior Non Fiction: Questions: *Intermediate Literature*-Judith Dillingham, *Information Transformation Book B* -Tricia Armstrong, *Information Transformation Book C* -Tricia Armstrong, *Schones Hessen*-Matthias Eberhardt, *Weather And Climate*-Brittanica, *A Rugby Life*-Mathew Burke, *Words To Inspire Writers*-Gregory Victor Babic, *Chinese Wisdom*-Tom Te-Wu Ma, *101 Songs For Easy Guitar Book 1*-Various Artists, *Matt Groening*- Raymond H. Miller, *Now and in Time to be*- Thomas Keneally, *Street Renegades*- Francesca Gavin, *Elements of China*- Laurence J. Brahm, *Universe*- Michael Levy(Ed), *Producing Videos* – Martha Mollison, *Happiness Now* – Robert Holden PHD, *Operation Desert Storm* – Martin Gitlin, *Microserfs* – Douglas Coupland, *Mark Twain* – Tod Howard(Ed), *By George* – George Negus

ONE HUNDRED YEARS OF THE RECORD

This year marks the 100th anniversary of "The Record" – the magazine of the Sydney Boys' High School – which was first published in December 1909. To commemorate this milestone, "High Notes" is publishing a selection of editorials from the various editions published over the past century.

*This week we are publishing the editorial from the issue of June 1911. It was written at the time when the Commonwealth government introduced compulsory military training for all boys at the suggestion of a former master of the School, Lieutenant General J Gordon Legge. It was just three years before the start of World War I, when Australia saw itself as a young nation and still very much a part of the British Empire. The Editor for this edition was **William Rollo Fincham**. After School, he enlisted in 1916 and served as a bombardier in the 10th Field Artillery Brigade. In civilian life, he graduated with an LLB from Sydney University and was admitted as a solicitor in 1922 continuing in his Sydney City practice until his death in 1967.*

Editorial

The present year will doubtless go down to posterity as one of marked importance in the history of the development of Australia. Awakening to a keen sense of her increasing responsibilities, she has adopted two bold schemes for the defence of her shores. The early part of the year saw the inauguration of a system of Compulsory Training. Australia's citizens have determined, at the cost of personal inconvenience and self-sacrifice, to fit themselves to assert their national strength in the hour of crisis. It is a system which affects us nearly, for it is principally upon the boys of the Commonwealth that the burden will immediately fall. Nevertheless, no one will look upon it as such for one moment when he reflects that here is offered to him an opportunity of doing something personally for the defence of the Empire. Conscription it will never be called.

As part of a comprehensive system of land defence, the Commonwealth Government has founded at Yass-Canberra a Military College for the training of officers. The SHS has already sent thither its quota of boys, and it is to be hoped that she will ever continue to do so. A splendid training and a fine profession are being thrown open to aspiring youths at no cost to themselves.



The Sydney High School contingent that went to the coronation of King George V, in 1911

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Again, it is but a few months since we welcomed to our ports two up-to-date destroyers – the nucleus of a mighty fleet to be.

Amid these signs of our own growth and development, our minds have been recently directed to thoughts of the Empire as a whole. Some little time ago we bade farewell to a band of our schoolfellows who are to represent us at the Coronation of King George V. But a few days hence people from every corner of the British dominions – ay, from every corner of the world – will assemble in London to pay homage to the official head of our great Empire. Last month, too, we celebrated Empire Day – a day which has been set apart for national rejoicing and to remind us of our duties towards the Empire.

Whether the nation shall continue to prosper or whether it shall fall into decay is a question to be answered by its peoples. As young Australians who would choose the former alternative, we should surely take to hear the question of Dr Morris on Empire Day, and ask ourselves, "What are we going to do about it?"



SHS Old Boys' Union

www.shsobu.org.au

Beyond Earth Hour Challenge



In the next four weeks leading up to and including the first week of the school holidays the school will be taking part in an energy saving competition being run by the Sydney Region.

A team of year 7 boys together with yr 10 leaders are going to be working over the next few weeks to get everyone in the school to turn off equipment and lights when they are not being used. The campaign will concentrate on those who use the most power...the staff!

All the boys can also help us by reminding staff to switch off equipment, particularly at the end of the day.

Last year's competition was won by Canterbury Boys High School with a 33.5% reduction in their electricity usage, they won a \$1000 voucher towards a sustainability project. With our new Solar cells coming this money could be utilized to help fund these. In addition the schools huge electricity bill will be cut saving money for other things and reducing greenhouse gases.

So for the next 4 weeks

Switch On to Switching OFF!


Dr. Finnie

Donations

GPS sports competition is very demanding on people and resources. At High we have ongoing needs for facilities development, equipment and development through expert coaching. If you would like to help through a tax deductible donation for a particular sport, the appropriate form can be posted to you by calling 9361 6290, extension 114. Alternatively, you can go to our website www.sydneyboyshigh.com click on Sport /Sports Donations to download either *Development Donation Form* or *Equipment and Facility Donation Form*.

School zone road safety

A reminder to parents that from 1 July 2009 the government has increased fines and loss of demerit points for all driving offences occurring in school zones. We are committed to providing a safe environment for all our students and visitors, so please observe the 40km/h speed limit during school hours and stop in designated drop off areas only.



Sydney Girls High School

INVITATION TO OPEN NIGHT

Wednesday, 16th September 2009

"Leading the Way – Celebrating 126 Years of Public Education"

Sydney Girls High School will be celebrating its Annual Open Night on Wednesday, 16th September 2009. Open Night showcases the talents of our students in the academic, sporting and cultural fields. Students, parents, staff and "Old Girls" as well as prospective students and their families are warmly invited to attend the evening. Come along and find out more about the school and the opportunities it offers its students.

Program:

4.00pm - 6.30pm	Displays by all faculties and co-curricular groups in the Main Building/Campbell Hall/Common Room. Debates, multi-media screenings, drama, music, languages and Tournament of Minds performances.
6.30pm - 7.00pm	Official Ceremony and music /dance performances in the School Hall
7.00pm - 8.00pm	Annual Fashion Parade in the School Hall

Anzac Parade, Surry Hills 2010
Phone: 9331 2336
Parking: Cleveland Street - Gate 4

School leaving age

From next year all NSW students by law, must remain at school until the end of year 10 and must be in fulltime paid employment, education and training, or a combination of the two until the age of 17. This brings NSW into line with all other Australian states and territories.

More information:

www.schools.nsw.edu.au/leavingschool/schoolleaveage/index.php

Primary school

Starting school

If you have a child starting school next year it's important to enrol your child and to attend Kindergarten orientation later in the year. Watch a vodcast on starting school and Kindergarten orientation

www.schools.nsw.edu.au/news/ezone/yr2009/issue03/watch/index.php . You might know of other families that would like this information.



MUSIC NOTES

Phil Day Scholarship Dinner

Congratulations to Alexander Belokopytov in year 12 (the first recipient of the award) on his excellent performance at the Phillip Day Dinner. He performed two challenging pieces from his HSC program and we wish him and all the HSC music students well next week when they sit for their practical examinations.

A special thank you to all the members of the Senior String Ensemble who performed beautifully in the courtyard and provided light entertainment for the guests.

Music Parking

Thank you to all the students and parents who helped out with parking last Friday. Your assistance is greatly appreciated in raising funds that go towards supporting the Music Performance Program at High.

Ensemble rehearsals

A reminder to **ALL** students in the performance program that 80% attendance is required for award scheme points. If you are unable to make a rehearsal, you must notify your ensemble director.

Music Tour Band Members – **MUST** attend every fortnight rehearsal (stage band – every Wednesday.) We have very high expectations to meet and with the amount of demanding repertoire and limited time, we require your co-operation and support.

Music Tour 2010

Please ensure the Music Tour forms given out at the previous meeting are returned to the Music Staff as soon as possible. All documents need to be collected by the end of this term with passports and travel insurance organised. Please see the Music Staff if there are any concerns.

The 2nd instalment of \$2000 is now due, please make payments **DIRECTLY** to Angas Travel and they will provide us with receipt of payments. If you have not been able to arrange this, please see the Music Staff ASAP.

Please Mail to: ANGAS Travel, 303 Angas St, Adelaide, South Australia, 5000
OR Call Toll Free no. 1800 671 331 to make arrangements.

Piano Competition

Well done to all the students who competed in the 4th Annual Piano Competition and a huge thanks to our two Music Prefects; Alexander Belokopytov and Brian Lau for taking time out of their busy HSC schedule and adjudicating the competition. Congratulations to the prize winners in the Junior and Senior categories, awards and prizes will be handed out at the Music assembly later in the year.

Participants may pick up their competition reports from the music staffroom.

Junior Division

1st Place - Darryl Fong

2nd Place - Cosmo Liu

3rd Place - William Baxter, Ennes Mehmedbasic,
Allen Feng (Tied equally.)

Senior Division

1st Place - Evan Wong

2nd Place - Guangzhi Niu

3rd Place - James Han



SBHSDEBATING

Coaching is on for all boys involved in the Debating Program this year. This is our last coaching session for the season so I encourage all boys to make the most of it!

GPS Round 6

Last week we hosted a record crowd who were witness to the finest debating of 2009. It was brilliant to see so many boys coming out in support of our representative teams and a very positive display of High spirit. In a split decision (2 adjudicators to 1) we lost the First grade debate to Grammar but our Seconds team stepping up to victory in a unanimous decision!

Grammar is against Iggies this week. Grammar Firsts remain undefeated compared to Iggies Firsts on 2 wins, 4 losses. Grammar Seconds are on 5 wins (only loss to SBHS) with Iggies Seconds on 4 wins, 2 losses. SBHS Seconds are on 4 wins – the race is on!

If Grammar Seconds win tonight then they will take the GPS Debating Cup with 6 wins. If Iggies win AND SBHS win then all teams will be equal on 5 wins. Stay tuned.....

		v Joeys	v Iggies	v Kings	v Scotts	v Newington	v Grammar	v Shore
Year 7	A	0	0	0	1	0	0	
	B	1	1	0	0	1	0	
Year 8	A	1	1	1	0	1	0	
	B	1	0	1	0	0	0	
Year 9	A	1	1	0	1	1	0	
	B1	1	1	1	1	1	0	
Year 10	A	1	0	1	0	1	1	
	B	1	1	1	0	0	1	
Seniors	Firsts	1	1	1	1	1	0	
	Seconds	0	0	1	1	1	1	
	Thirds	-	0	1	-	-	-	

GPS Round 6

THIS WEEK we are HOME hosting Shore. This is the LAST round of GPS for 2009 and is promising to be a great end to the season. The topic area is international relations.

Debating Dinner – Friday 25th September

I encourage all parents and boys to lock in their tickets to this year's dinner. It's always good fun and a celebration of the year's efforts and achievements. The lucky door prize will be 2 tickets to the October Intelligence squared debate.

Boys – do you have a topic you want to see the Coaches debate..??

If so, email me at sbhsdebating@gmail.com

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.

DEBATING DINNER

FRIDAY 25 SEPTEMBER

The annual dinner to celebrate debating at High will conclude the debating season. It will be two weeks after the end of the GPS competition. We will also be thanking our staff and coaches for their great work on all of the competitions that High enters.

This year's Debating Dinner is being held on
Friday September 25 in the Great Hall at 6.00 pm.

The cost of the dinner will be **\$30 per adult/student.**
A special price for siblings under 10 years of age has been negotiated at **\$20.**
Parents BYO

BOOKINGS MUST BE MADE BY FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 18.

Payment for the dinner can be made at the **main office.**
NO bookings can be accepted after this date as catering numbers must be finalised.

WHAT SHOULD I DO? Detach the form below → pay your money at the main office
ANY QUESTIONS? Email the Debating Support Group sbhsdsg@gmail.com

Can you help with dinner set up? email sbhsdsg@gmail.com Dinner Co-ordinator

2009 DEBATING DINNER

Student Name _____

Year/ Roll class _____

Number of adults attending _____ @ \$30 = _____

Number of U/10 attending _____ @ \$20 = _____

TOTAL Number of people _____ TOTAL \$ _____

☐ Do you have any special dietary requirements? Vegetarian?



High Society

The Bulletin Board for Sydney Boys High P & C
Julie Connolly P&C President

Next P & C Meeting

Our next P & C Meeting will be on **Wednesday, 16th September**, starting at 7.30pm in the Staff Common Room.

On the agenda will be:

1. Recycling options
2. P & C Website
3. Fund raising
4. On-line P & C forums

All parents are warmly invited to attend.

New Parent Mentors

Charles Ovadia co-ordinates the highly successful and very useful new Parent Mentor Program, where current parents make contact with incoming parents (usually by telephone) to welcome them and offer any "settling in" assistance they may need.

In preparation for our intake of new students for 2010, Charles is seeking to recruit current parents to mentor our new parents. Ideally the majority of new parent mentors will have a son currently in Years 7 or 8 as they have the most recent experience to pass on to new parents of Year 7, 2010. However we welcome parents as mentors from all years ! Volunteers who speak a language other than English would also be terrific.

Please contact Charles Ovadia directly covadia@medemail.com.au. If you can volunteer as a New Parent Mentor. Thanks everyone

Upcoming Parent Meetings & Events (details in High Notes)

Saturday 12th September 6.30pm – Rugby Annual Dinner, Great Hall

Tuesday 15th September 6.00pm – Parent Information Evening on Subject Acceleration for Year 10, 2010, Great Hall

Wednesday 16th September 7.30pm – P & C Meeting, Staff Common Room

Monday 21st September 6.30pm – Music Supporters Group, Staff Common Room

Tuesday 22nd September 7.00pm – Year 12 Parents Farewell Dinner, *Maya Tandoori*, Cleveland Street

Tuesday 22nd September 7.00pm – Volleyball Annual Dinner, Great Hall

Wednesday 23rd September 6.00pm – Rugby Committee Meeting, Staff Common Room

Thursday 24th September – SBHS Open Day

Friday 25th September – Debating Annual Dinner, Great Hall

Tuesday 29th September 1.30pm – Year 12 Farewell Assembly and Afternoon Tea, Great Hall

Wednesday 30th September 7.00pm – Tennis Committee AGM, Staff Common Room

Thank you so much to all those parents who volunteered to help Barbara Taylor with the P & C on Open Day. We had a tremendous response and we are looking forward to working with these volunteers on Thursday, September 24.

If you would like to have any parent community news or upcoming events included in *High Society*, please contact Julie Connolly, P&C President, jcandjc@bigpond.net.au; 0418 470 203.

WE ARE LOOKING FOR NEW PARENT MENTORS

A Parent Mentor is an informal contact person who will welcome New Parents into the School Community and is available to them to help them through the difficulties encountered in their first year at the School.

The aim is to have every parent of a new boy starting at the School matched up with a mentoring parent already at the School.

The **role** of the **Mentoring Parent** is

- To actively contact the new parent and make them welcome and be a friendly face in a big organisation.
- To make themselves available by phone or in person or by email as they see fit.
- To help the new parent with any simple query about the education system and the way the school works.
- They will be a point of contact for all the trivial questions that might plague a new high school family.
- To advise the new parent of the appropriate channels of communication at the school for serious matters eg Year adviser, School counsellor etc
- To act as a propagandist for the School and the great benefits of being involved in all the facets of their son's education.

The scheme is informal, without a lot of structure and depends for its success on the enthusiasm of the Mentors.

The scheme has worked extremely well for three years and has not been at all onerous.

All the Mentor Parents this year have enjoyed it tremendously and the New Parents have been extremely receptive and grateful for the contact.

As there is an attrition rate every year we need new Mentor Parents.

Please join us as the more parents we have the easier is the task.

Could you please contact Charles Ovadia on 9386 1221 or covadia@medemail.com.au

Or send your details to the Principal's Assistant Ms Williams on williamsl@sydneyboys-h.schools.nsw.edu.au

Or fill in the form below and return to the Principal's Assistant

Name:.....

Email address:.....

Contact phone Home:

Mobile Phone:.....



Sydney Boys High School Open Day 2009



See our school in action.

Thursday 24th
September 2009
9:30 – 12:00

Developing scholar sportsmen is
our tradition

Sydney Boys High School
Moore Park, Surry Hills 2010
www.sydneyboyshigh.com
Phone: 9361 6910



1208 541

OPEN DAY 2009 An invitation to prospective parents and students. Please take this opportunity to see our school in action. If you have siblings or friends in years four and five who are interested in attending Sydney Boys High School could you please forward this information

TRIVIA NIGHT 2009

Friday 18th September

6.30 PM to 9 PM

SBHS Great Hall

Tickets: \$15

*Only 200 being sold
Buy early!*

**\$1000 to be Won
\$500 first prize**



SYDNEY BOYS HIGH SCHOOL ROWING COMMITTEE

The Sydney High Rowing Challenge Saturday 24 October 2009



Old boys, school community, parents and friends
Get back in an VIII/Learn to row
Join our 'Back to the Sheds' rowing event!

Donation: \$300 per seat (in crews of eight) **Includes:**

- 5 Saturday dawn training/tuition sessions - **19th/26th September and 3rd/10th/17th October**
- Boat, coach and cox per crew (if required)
- Post training barbeque breakfasts
- Regatta Day racing – **Saturday 24th October**
- Back to the Sheds Brunch and Presentation (same day)



More information and registration – jblomber@bigpond.net.au Julie Blomberg mobile: 0416 061759

The inaugural old boy crew from last year said they enjoyed getting back on the water in the quiet of the early mornings, the physical activity involved, and all followed by a social barbeque breakfast. They'll be back to once again challenge the school crews, and take on other old boys, parents and friends

shootin' hoops

The weekly dose of court-side action

Edition 84



Office Bearers for 2009-2010 Season

Name	Position
MIC (Non-elected)	B.Hayman
Chairperson	G.Krastev
Treasurer	David Morrow, George Chow (Shadow)
Secretary	Ron Sutton
Junior Event Co-ordinator	Michelle Deng- michelledeng@hotmail.com , Contact if your son is years 7, 8, 9 and you wish to help with the basketball canteen.....
Senior Event Co-ordinator	Sandra and Marin Jurlina
End of season Function	Natalie McGlenchy
Parking	Shirley Tickner
Canteen Co-ordinator	Vicky Moller, Michelle Garay
Post Game Function	Mark Paul Assisted by Chris Jones
Score Bench	Susan Naar, Linda Perris, Bruce Gordon and Nick Garay

Parents are encouraged to help at the basketball canteen when the season officially starts and your help will be greatly appreciated! Don't forget to purchase from the basketball canteen when you're home, because it all comes back to help our program.

Parking

The soccer match between Sydney FC and Newcastle Jets on Sunday the 20th, September will also require assistance from both players and parents.

Please contact Shirley Tickner at shirley@lucious.com.au to help out.

~ Go High Basketball!
~Play Hard, Play Smart and Play Together!
~ Don't forget to visit the Sydney High Basketball Website!
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Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
8 B	14 HSC Music Submitted Works Hand In Date HSC Music 2 and Extension Practical exams, Great Hall and Room 101, 8:45am to 3:20pm Selected students' visit to Boggabilla	15 HSC Music 2 and Extension Practical exams, Great Hall and Room 101, 8:45am to 11:05am Selected students' visit to Boggabilla Parent Information Evening on Subject Acceleration for Year 10 2010, Great Hall, 6pm Foundation Meeting, Board Room, 6:30pm	16 *** Selected students' visit to Boggabilla HSC Music 1 Practical exams, Great Hall and Room 101, 8:45am to 10:30am Year 11 Mathematics Yearly Examination, Great Hall, Periods 5 and 6 School Council Meeting, Board Room, 6:00pm Fencing Committee AGM, Staff Common Room,	17 Selected students' visit to Boggabilla	18 SRC Trivia Night, Great Hall, evening Photos Representatives (GPS, CHS etc), all Music Groups	19 UAC STAT Test in the Great Hall 7:30am - 5:00pm HSC German Continuers Speaking Examination HSC Chinese Continuers Speaking Examinations	20 Parking - Sydney FC v Newcastle Jets (Basketball)
9 A	21 Year 10 Elective History Excursion to Nicholson Museum, all day Parent Information Evenings, Great Hall, Year 9 2010 6pm, Year 11 2010, 7pm Music Support Group Meeting, Common Room, 6:30pm	22 Volleyball Dinner, Great Hall 7pm Year 11 Yearly Examinations	23 Year 11 Yearly Examinations Year 8 Camp, Tea Gardens Debating - GPS v CHA v CAS v Archdale Round 3 Final (Rooms 100s & 200s) 5-9pm Rugby Committee AGM, Room 901, 6pm	24 Open Day, 9:30am-12 noon Year 11 Yearly Examinations Year 8 Camp, Tea Gardens	25 Year 11 Yearly Examinations Year 8 Camp, Tea Gardens Last day to submit University Scholarship Applications to Principal Annual Debating Dinner, Great Hall	26 HSC Chinese Extension Speaking Examinations HSC German Extension Speaking Examinations	27
10 B	28 Attendance and Progress Review (all Years) Year 11 Yearly Examinations	29 Year 11 Yearly Examinations Year 9 High Resolves Leadership Training [35 boys Coan] Year 12 Farewell Assembly and Afternoon Tea, Great Hall, 1:30pm	30 Year 11 Yearly Examinations Year 9 High Resolves Leadership Training [35 boys Coan] Tennis Committee AGM, Staff Common Room, 7pm	1 Year 11 Yearly Examinations Foundation Day Assembly/Prefect Induction, Great Hall, 11:30am Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme excursion	2 Year 11 Yearly Examinations Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme excursion LAST DAY TERM 3	3	4 Daylight Saving starts
1 A	19 School resumes - staff and students GPS Summer Sports Assembly (Basketball, Cricket), Great Hall, 11:30am Selective Schools Application Forms for Year 7 2011 available	20 HSC exams commence Foundation Meeting, Board Room, 6:30pm	21 HSC exams Music Performance Year 11 & 12 Musicians 12:15 - 2:00pm, St Vincent's Healing Arts Program Melbourne High Year 9 Rowing visit UAC STAT Test in the Great Hall 4:45 - 9:00pm School Council Meeting (Budget 2010), Board Room, 6:00pm P&C Meeting, Common Room, 7:30pm	22 HSC exams Melbourne High Year 9 Rowing visit	23 HSC exams Melbourne High Year 9 Rowing visit	24 Sport Group 1 - SHS v TKS Group 2 - TKS v SHS Melbourne High Year 9 Rowing visit UAC STAT Test in the Great Hall 7:30am - 5:00pm	25 Back to the Sheds Day, Abbotsford, 8am