



## From the Principal

### High Talent



Congratulations to Nathan Sutton and Bailey Musulin who were selected in the NSW Combined Independent Schools basketball team and to Jack Hutchison, as a reserve. Well done to Joshua Pooranakaran (Year 8) who was selected to attend a national training camp with the AIS in the sport of Karate.

### HSC Results 2014 - Presentation by the Principal

For parents interested in High's results at the 2014 HSC and more generally, in how the HSC and ATAR work to produce an index which controls likely UAC offers of university places to school leavers, come along to the Great Hall on Monday, May 11 at 6:30 pm. The presentation will be the main item on the agenda for the regular monthly P & C meeting.

### Full Uniform Policy

High is proud of the fact that its boys wear their school uniform. We expect boys to be in their appropriate uniforms at all times. In winter there can be extreme weather events but where adjustments need to be made in clothing, the High Store has responded to the requests from the SRC to supply approved supplementary items. The **school beanie** and **school scarf** can be worn at all times as part of the official school uniform. Students feeling the cold should not improvise with random items of clothing of various colours and designs. It is permissible to wear white skivvies underneath school shirts when it is really cold. Students in Years 7 & 8 are allowed to wear sports clothing on Thursdays and can add the school

tracksuit for warmth. When it is raining, umbrellas are recommended rather than non-uniform anoraks.

### Funds in trust to support our students

The Annual Financial Statements for the *Sydney High School Foundation Inc.* have been prepared by the auditors. They show the following movements: Ethel Killip Memorial trust (honour boards, artworks, memorabilia displays) 2013-\$122,026, 2014-\$124,525; The Prizes Trust (annual funds to pay for prizes at Presentation Night) 2013-\$85,816, 2014-\$90,137; Mitchell Seow Memorial Trust (prize in honour of an Old Boy) 2013-\$7,348, 2014-\$7506; Phillip Day Memorial Scholarship Trust (an annual \$1,500 scholarship in honour of a former Head Teacher and Old Boy) 2013-\$77,717, 2014-\$79,240; and the Student Support Trust Fund (formerly the Anzac Trust Fund – to assist necessitous students to access the programs of the school) 2013-\$17,104, 2014-\$32,005). It is comforting to know that the *Sydney High School Foundation* has stewardship of these substantial and growing funds, targeted towards acknowledging, honouring or assisting our students.

### Centennial Building Fund

Income derived from all sources for the Centennial Building Fund was \$492,101 for 2014. This represents around \$410 for every student in the school. Despite the contribution from interest earnings, the bulk of the income came directly from donations from parents. I am very grateful and heartened by the strong and growing level of support from parents who appreciate that for the standard of learning and personal development at High to be maintained or improved only non-government funds will achieve that purpose.

### Joint Project update

Theatre consultants, Marshall Day, have completed their theatre design brief for the Governors Centre Project, for discussion, amendment and ratification by the Project Control Group. To fit out the theatre to be ready for operation, the budget for theatre infrastructure and equipment would need to be at least \$331,000. The space would then be ready to accommodate: acoustic and amplified music (for concerts and recitals); choral or dance performances; large cast musicals or stage productions; public speaking events and lectures; variety concerts (with performance and presentation elements); and debates, competitions, assemblies, meetings and presentations. The Governors Centre (when constructed) will facilitate enhanced learning of boys and girls in both schools significantly in the creative and performing arts.

**Dr K A Jaggan**  
Principal

### From the Canteen

Thank you to our volunteers last week, your help is very much appreciated.



MON: Sophie Sun, Maria Pho,

TUES: Letty Chan, Grace Chung, Anne Chen,

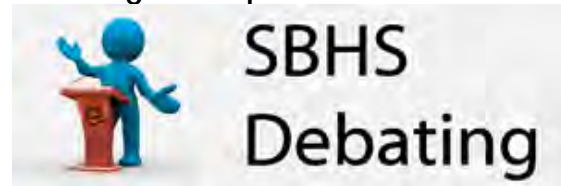
WED: Yan Liu, Diana Sutherland,

THURS: Jenny King, Anna Goh, Annie Long,

FRI: Electra Manikakis, Zoe James, Sabrina Xu,

**Sharon Hughes**  
President Canteen Committee

### Debating MIC report



I would like to remind parents to pay their debating co- payments as soon as possible please.

SBHS provides an outstanding program of sport and other co-curricular activities such as music and debating. As a GPS School, High offers our boys opportunities to participate in programs that are unmatched in any other public school in Australia and even in most private schools, where the fees are many times those at SBHS. Moreover, our programs are structured to fit with the academic focus of our students.

As a result, High produces outstanding scholar-sportsmen equipped not only for academic success but with the broader skills and attributes to succeed in their careers and their lives. Debating, for example, is an activity which develops the skills of speaking publically, critical thinking and logical argument. These skills are essential for success in most (if not all) future careers your son may aspire to.

We have an extremely successful record in debating at High, but in recent years we have noticed a range of our competitor schools have been able to pour resources into their programs. Resources that, as a Public School, we simply do not have. If we are to remain one of the best debating schools in NSW it is essential that we get financial support from parents.

For Debating, we provide a number of staff to help with the program including the employment of 26 high quality coaches who have or are currently debating at Inter- University Level. We are lucky to have these coaches, any one of whom could coach at other schools for higher wages. Additional costs include the ever increasing competition entrance fees.

Unlike most other co-curricular activities at High, debating runs for three terms. In addition, unlike many competitor schools, we have a very inclusive program which means we endeavour to give as many students the opportunity to debate in competitions as we can. Even after GPS selections have been made we continue to provide high

quality coaching and debating opportunities for those boys who have been unsuccessful in this selection process or didn't want to try out for this competition.

Therefore I think you will agree that the debating co-payment offers extremely good value for money:

Year 7	\$146
Year 8	\$146
Year 9	\$146
Year 10	\$158
Year 11	\$170
Year 12	\$170

If you have any queries about the need for the co-payment, please contact me at [sbhsdebating@gmail.com](mailto:sbhsdebating@gmail.com)

Thank you for your support.

**Rachel Powell**  
**MIC Debating**

## State Conference 2015

State Conference is an annual event organised by United Nations Youth Australia where young people come together for three days to discuss global issues affecting our time. This year's theme was Global Health, in a range of issues, from the spread of Ebola, to the dynamics of biological warfare, combating the spread of HIV/AIDS infection, provision of health services in areas of conflict, maternal welfare, and increasing globalization of healthcare infrastructure. Attending this year from High were Thomas Shortridge, Max Koslowski and Arthur Chao.

Throughout the Conference, there were a number of workshops, lectures, activities and panels from specialists. It was a great experience learning about important international affairs as well as meeting friends, old and new. A feature of the Conference is activities such as Crisis Point. Crisis Point is a simulation activity where groups have to respond in real time to actions of other groups in an international crisis setting. This time's situation was the Ukraine Crisis. The highlight of the Conference was the third day, Model UN. Before the Conference, all delegates were assigned a particular country in the world and they had to

research the country's position, allies, stances etc. to simulate as closely as possible that country's possible actions in the UN. There were three debates on the third day, two council ones (where countries were divided into about groups of 15 to debate different resolutions, examples of councils were the Disarmament and Security Council, the Economic and Social Council) and then a General Assembly debate to finish off (where all 200 delegates debate together). On the day, I was representing Bosnia and Herzegovina, Thomas was representing South Africa and Max was representing the Netherlands. I was in the Economic and Social Council for the Council debates and my resolutions were Chemical Weapons and Minimum Quotas for women. For the General Assembly debate, the resolution was recognizing IS as an UN state and granting it sovereignty. Debating in Model UN is fun, though speeches are limited to a maximum of two minutes, the special feature is to propose amendments to resolutions to suit your country's goal and to get allies to pass it in a vote.

Overall it was a great experience which I absolutely loved and I urge anyone interested to participate in next year, or in any UN Youth event. The Dr Evatt Model UN Security Council Competition is coming up, though registrations are closing soon, but I encourage everyone to participate as you get to learn a lot, meet a lot of new people, and have fun!

Arthur Chao



## **High Rugby**

### **"Open Invitation - Year 7 Rugby Parents**

The High Rugby Parents Committee extends a warm invitation to the parents of our new Year 7 players to join us at McKay Oval at 9am on Saturday the 16th of May for a cup of tea and an introduction to the High Rugby community. We'd love you to join us, meet other High Rugby parents and watch our boys play our traditional season opening rival, St Pius X College.

We look forward to seeing you there.

**Oliver Library up and running!**

After a reasonably smooth transition to Oliver Library from our old Oasis system students and teachers are gradually getting used to finding and borrowing from the new system. As the librarians go on a very steep learning curve we are discovering more useful and educational functions in the search interface alone. Students have access to their own MyLibrary area which enables them to keep track of their loans and overdues and when searching they can do Basic, Advanced and Federated searches. Federated searches mean they search and find resources from our library collections plus any subscription databases like Britannica Encyclopaedia online and the State Library databases plus excellent sites on Google Scholar and Google Books! These results will come from one search term entered. The teacher librarians will be learning how to make the most of these functions as well as figure out the complicated aspects of book and magazine cataloguing, acquisitions and budgeting.

**Generous donations to the Senior Library**

We have been really fortunate this term to receive donations of many great fiction books and useful study guides and non-fiction books! Mrs Cindy Tseu, parent of Oliver Tseu-Tjoa, donated a second lot of many fantastic study resources and Meredith Thomas one of our hardworking library assistants, donated a brilliant collection of novels mainly fantasy, which will be very much read and appreciated by our student borrowers. Huge thank yous to both these very generous benefactors!

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# RIDE THE HSC WAVE

Lecture program May - June 2015

## Business Studies: An overview with a focus on report writing

**When: Tuesday 19 May » 6-8pm » Where: Waverley Library**

Presented by Joe Awkar: secondary teacher, HSC marker and founder of the tutoring service First Class Education.

## Writing Under Pressure: keys to successful exam writing

**When: Thursday 21 May » 6-7.30 pm » Where: Eastgardens Library**

Presented by Lyndall Hough: a former Head of English, HSC marker, study guide and textbook co-author, Lyndall has also assisted teachers in the implementation of the HSC English syllabus.

## English: Area of Study – Discovery

**When: Monday 25 May » 6.30-8pm » Where: Waverley Library**

Presented by Larry Grumley: Head of English at Catherine McAuley High, Westmead, HSC marker, member of the NSW Board of Studies (BOSTES) and study guide author.

## Ancient History Core Study - The Cities of Vesuvius

**When: Tuesday 26 May » 6-8pm » Where: Bowen Library**

Presented by Dr Bruce Dennett: a teacher for more than 40 years, with wide experience as a former HSC marker. He is the author and co-author of a dozen history textbooks, has won two Premier's History prizes and has done research on the ancient sites.

## Modern History Core Study - World War 1

**When: Wednesday 27 May » 6-8pm » Where: Bowen Library**

Presented by Dr Bruce Dennett: a teacher for more than 40 years, with many of his students finishing in the top ten in the state. He is co-author of the Modern History Syllabus, the author and co-author of a dozen history textbooks and has won two Premier's History prizes. He has conducted extensive research in the archives of the Imperial War Museum in London and at the AWM Canberra.

## 2 Unit Mathematics

**When: Thursday 28 May » 6-7.45 pm » Where: Eastgardens Library**

Presented by Greg Wethered: former head maths teacher, private tutor, HSC marker and author of an online mathematics textbook.

## English Advanced - Module B: Critical Study of Texts - William Shakespeare's Hamlet

**When: Monday 1 June » 4.30-6pm » Where: The Bay Room, Double Bay**

Presented by Glenda McIntosh: a teacher and HSC marker. Glenda has had the privilege of teaching the first place achievers in English in the HSC. She currently teaches at NSW's most academically successful school, James Ruse Agricultural High School.

## PD/H/PE: Personal development, Health and Physical Education

**When: Thursday 4 June » 4.30-6pm » Where: The Bay Room, Double Bay**

Presented by Natalie Novotni: the Head Teacher of Wellbeing and PD/H/PE at NSW's top ranking James Ruse Agricultural High. Natalie has been an HSC marker and has taught the senior course for over 10 years with 90% of students achieving a Band 6 in the HSC.

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## 28 May 2015, 5:30pm-7:30pm

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## Sydney Boys High Careers Expo



- Resources for Courses is pleased to invite you to accompany your Year 12 son to an *exclusive* evening session of The HSC and Careers Expo 2015.
- **Thursday 28 May 2015 from 5.30pm-7.30pm**
- All Year 12 students are expected to attend  
Year 11 students also welcome
- Free admission for Sydney Boys High students

For more information about The HSC and Careers Expo contact  
Resources for Courses 1300 190 290 or [tina@resourcesforcourses.com.au](mailto:tina@resourcesforcourses.com.au)



# May/June 2015

08-05-2015

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
<b>4 B</b>	<b>11</b> HSC Legal Studies Excursion: Law Courts Seminar, Phillip Street, P1-2 Year 8 Half Yearly Exams P+C Executive Meeting, Board Room, 17:30 P+C Meeting, Great Hall, 18:30	<b>12</b> *** Year 9 National Assessment Exams Language Conventions; Writing, Great Hall, 09:00-11:00 Year 7 National Assessment Exams Language Conventions; Writing, Great Hall, 11:00-13:00 Year 8 Half Yearly Exams Rugby: 1st XV Waratah Shield, Breen Oval, Strathfield, 15:40	<b>13</b> Year 9 National Assessment Exams Reading, Great Hall, 09:00-11:00 Year 7 National Assessment Exams Reading, Great Hall, 11:00-13:00 Year 8 Half Yearly Exams Basketball: CHS v Byron Bay at Byron Bay	<b>14</b> Year 9 National Assessment Exams Numeracy, Great Hall, 09:00-11:00 Year 7 National Assessment Exams Numeracy, Great Hall, 11:00-13:00 Business Studies: UNSW Business Studies Competition Years 10-12 Basketball: CHS v Byron Bay at Byron Bay	<b>15</b> Year 7 National Assessment Exams Numeracy Catch-up Tests Year 9 National Assessment Exams Numeracy Catch-up Tests Debating: FED Semi Final 2	<b>16</b> Cross Country: WC Invitation, Centennial Park (10:00) Trial Football: Shore v SHS Rugby: SHS v St Pius X Volleyball: BYE Parking: Waratahs v Sharks, 19:30 (Football)	<b>17</b> Parking: A-League Final, 16:00 (Rugby)(TBC)
	<b>5 C</b>	<b>18</b> Attendance and Progress Review (all Years) AAGPS General Committee Meeting, 13:45 SBHS SRC Interschool Conference, Great Hall, 09:00-15:00	<b>19</b> ICAS - Digital Technologies Competition Fundraising Management Committee meeting, 17:30-18:30 Foundation meeting, 18:30-20:30 Tennis: SE Boys Tennis Knock Out CVD Philosophy Conference Excursion select students from Yrs 10 and 11	<b>20</b> Athletics Report to be submitted to Record Committee Tennis: SE Boys Tennis Knock Out CVD Y12 Engineering Excursion to UNSW	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> Debating: Eastside Semi Final Debating: FED Grand Final	<b>23</b> Sport: Trial SHS v SGS Cross Country: CS Invitation, Sydney Park (10:00) Volleyball: SHS v TKS
<b>6 A</b>		<b>25</b> Year 12 Meeting, Great Hall, 09:55-10:20 Class test: 10MaE-P2 Year 9 Meeting, Great Hall, 12:45-13:10 Boggabilla Central School Exchange Mufti Day/BBQ - Boggabilla Central School (Year 9) Rugby: Committee Meeting, Staff Common Room, 18:00	<b>26</b> Da Vinci Decathlon, Years 7 and 8, Knox Grammar School Football: CIS Trials Rugby: 16s Buchan Shield, Forshaw Rugby Park, Sylvania Waters, 8:30-15:20 Boggabilla Central School Exchange	<b>27</b> Da Vinci Decathlon, Years 9 and 10, Knox Grammar School Sorry Day Assembly, Great Hall, 09:50-10:35 (7, 8, 10) Boggabilla Central School Exchange	<b>28</b> Cross Country: Zone Carnival - Ash Paddock The Sir Roden Cutler Charity Day, SBHS HSC and Careers Expo 2015, Royal Hall of Industries, Moore Park, 17:30-19:30	<b>29</b> Confirmation of Prefects Assembly, Great Hall, 10:15-11:00 (9, 11, 12) Excursion: History Extension Seminar, 9:00-16:00 Debating: Eastside Grand Final Parking: Sydney Swans v Carlton, 19:50 (Cricket)	<b>30</b> Sport: TSC v SHS Cross Country: SIC Invitation, Riverview (09:00) Volleyball: NC v SHS
	<b>7 B</b>	<b>1</b> Year 12 Study Day Year 9 High Resolves Leadership Training All Day (30 boys) Basketball: NSW All Schools, CIS v CCC v CHS, Terrigal Parking: Sydney Roosters v Melbourne Storm, 19:00 (Football)	<b>2</b> Year 12 Assessment Exams Year 7 Meeting, Great Hall, 09:55-10:20 Jazz and Small Ensembles Soiree, Great Hall, 18:30-20:30	<b>3</b> ICAS - Science Competition Year 12 Assessment Exams	<b>4</b> Year 12 Assessment Exams Year 10 High Resolves Leadership, 13:10-15:15 (30 boys) Rugby: Endeavour High School vs. SHS, 13s, 14:00	<b>5</b> Year 12 Assessment Exams Rifle: Wingham Prize Meet Table Tennis: Sydney East KO	<b>6</b> Rifle: Wingham Prize Meet