



From the Principal High Talent



Congratulations to Thomas Nguyen (Year 10) who represented Sydney Region at the NSW Junior Debating Championships this week. Max Koslowski and Thomas Shorridge are representing NSW at the Dr Evatt National Competition. The competition takes the form of a mock session of the UN Security Council. Teams of two students debate, amend and vote on a prepared resolution from the perspective of their assigned nations. Brandon Yoon will be one of only two male finalists in the Voice Public Speaking Competition at Parliament House next week. Good luck, Brandon!

Parent Working Bees

Thank you to all the parents who have participated so enthusiastically in the two 'Working Bees' held at the school this year. Peter McGregor has been the chief driving force behind this initiative and has recruited a number of parents to give of their weekend time to make a difference to the learning environment at High. Our GA, James Crampton, has worked long hours on each of the days, coordinating the work. Thank you, Jim. Glynis Bartley has managed the P & C store reorganisation over many months. At the rear of the Great Hall and in its specially constructed compound underneath the landing outside room 108, the P & C has now arranged all the necessary function equipment to hold events. Thank you, Glynis.

Teachers' Common Room Refurbishment

Over the past year, a P & C Committee, headed up by Peter McGregor, has been refurbishing the Common Room. The group has been replacing the kitchen facilities, painting, restoring the big table, purchasing and installing new pigeon holes, buying new chairs, installing lounges and coffee tables and installing a new water filtration system. The P & C has donated > \$32k to this project over the year and the results are very encouraging. When we have functions, morning teas and debating suppers we will have a space much more 'fit for purpose' than

before. Thank you to all those parents who gave of their time and expertise to make the project happen.

2014 Budget Summary

The total income from DEC, school and community sources rose by 12.7% to \$4,674,910. Within that amount, General Service Contributions, including levies, rose by 12.1% this year to \$1,296,413. Global Funds from DEC rose by 11% to \$762,934, reflecting the inclusion of on costs in teacher relief allocations. Tied funds from DEC rose by 38% to \$222,232, representing on costs and targeted equity funding. Interest earned rose by 39%. Co-payments for activities were up by 22% and Trust receipts by just 1.25%.

Total payments rose by 11% to \$4,592,635. Key Learning Area expenditure was up by 20.3%, mostly due to a big one-off expense for textbooks in science. Extra-curricular payments rose by 22% to \$1,722,301, reflecting the added employment costs and facilities hire increases. Trust payments were 2.9% higher. Utilities costs declined by 12%, a most welcome turnaround from the 2013 budget result. Short term relief costs for absent teachers increased by just 3.5%, despite the on cost hike. Administration and Office expenses (including GST paid) declined by 12.6% the second significant fall in two years. Maintenance costs were up 36% due to some added costs for buses and trailers. Capital program expenditure rose by 64% mainly due to purchases by the rowing program to replace a trailer, towing vehicle and damaged boats, as well as the construction of the pro shop for the tennis courts. Overall, payments as a percentage of funds available are marginally better at 88.4% (89.8% in 2013) but at High the reliability of our income flows from parents has allowed this very high expenditure percentage to be maintained for more than fifteen years.

For 2015 the impact of the Light Rail construction commencement is difficult to predict, however the loss of facilities on Moore Park West will impact on costs through higher charges for alternative venues and added transport costs. There will be

budgetary impacts from the establishment of an unofficial HT Admin position in 2015 to support the Deputy Principal Junior School in implementing the school's engagement with teaching standards and structured lesson observations.

Dr K A Jaggar

Work Experience Report

Throughout the past week, from the 14th to the 18th of October, we visited Liverpool Hospital for our work experience. During our visit, we spent the majority of our time in the Cardiology Unit, where we were presented with an interesting and exciting outlook on the work of a doctor. Both of us being hopeful doctors in the future, our stay there was both informative and highly engaging.

Starting our visit on Monday, we began to familiarise ourselves with the Hospital and the doctors responsible for treating patients with heart problems and defects. The day commenced with us attending a doctors' meeting, in which they discussed patient information and their possible illnesses. We also were introduced to just how important the logistics and documentation side of the job was, as everything must be accounted for. Later, we accompanied the doctors as they cared for the patients, observing just how respectful and professional they were in treating those in need.

The next few days were spent witnessing and learning about various heart procedures that were undertaken. The first one we observed was an angiogram, a heart scan designed to check the coronary arteries around the heart. In the beginning, it all seemed foreign to us, as we struggled to understand what the screen was showing and the reason behind why certain aspects of the procedure were done the way they were. However, by observing more and more of these scans, as well as listening to what the doctors were saying and asking the occasional question, we started to grasp the basis of the procedure. We also witnessed the fitting of pacemakers into patients and the tests that are undergone to check the functionality of the pacemakers. Alongside this, we were introduced to various angioplasties (a procedure involving the widening of blocked arteries) as well as numerous echocardiograms. With each procedure we observed, we attained more and more knowledge and we were very pleased with what we learnt about these procedures in such a short amount of time. For the remainder of the stay, we observed a few one-on-one sessions between doctor and patient, which we both found to be very interesting.

Looking back at the past week at the hospital, we realised just how important work experience is to young students of our age. It certainly is one thing to know what the job is about, but another to experience it firsthand. For this reason, our experience at the hospital really was, to say the least, an eye-opener and we recommend all who are hesitant about work experience to give it a go. A huge amount of thanks goes to Mr Cipolla, as well as the staff and doctors at Liverpool Hospital.

Aidin Karahasan and Preetham Kadappu

High Store

High Store Holiday Opening Time

This day is allocated to students within the school entering

Year 8, Year 9, Year 10, Year 11, Year 12
In 2015 ONLY

NEW Students entering Year 7 or Year 9 in 2015

Will not be served on this day

Tuesday 20 Jan 2015 Hours 10.30am – 1.30pm.

Year 9 Students Senior Uniform

Purchase your senior uniform NOW to avoid long queues.

Senior Tie \$28.50

Senior Trousers \$69

Short Sleeve White Shirt 14-22 \$29, 24-28 \$31

Long Sleeve White Shirt 14-22 \$31, 24-28 \$33.

From the Canteen

Thank you to the volunteers for the last two weeks:-

17/11 - Julie Fox, Thajeewa Pingamage, Cole Gu

18/11 - Lynn Chen, Grace Chung

19/11 - Jackey Cheng, Kitty Chan, Fumiko Cheong.

20/11 - Ming Lee, Charlie Wang, Bernadette Snow

21/11 - Jenny Beer, Lien Tran, Jasmine Huang

24/11 - Stam Farrugia, Thajeewa Pingamage, Lin Jin

25/11 - Agnus Leo, Eddie Pham

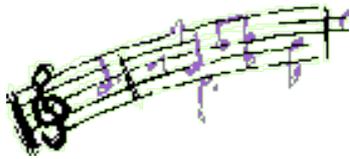
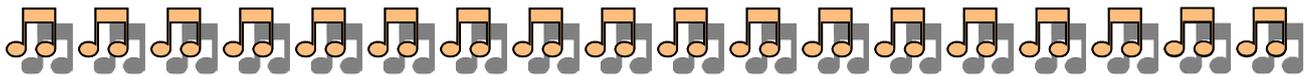
26/11 - Dora Shapiro

27/11 - Kim Ngan Do, Jian Ping Li

28/11 - Ru Zeng Rong, Angela Feng

Sorry if you cannot purchase all your favourite items, as we are running down stock for the end of the year.

Sharon Hughes



MUSIC NOTES

2014-15 USA Music Tour Rehearsals

Stage Band: Friday 5th December 7.45am, Room 101

Concert Band: Fridays 8am, Room 201

String Ensemble: Thursday 11th & Friday 12th December 7.45am Room 101

HOLIDAY REHEARSALS:

(Compulsory attendance for ALL students. Please advise music staff **ASAP** if your son cannot attend the following rehearsals)

Monday 19th January 2015 9.30am-11.30am

Wednesday 21st January 2015 9.30am-11.30am

Friday 23rd January 2015 9.30am-11.30am

2015 Concert(s)

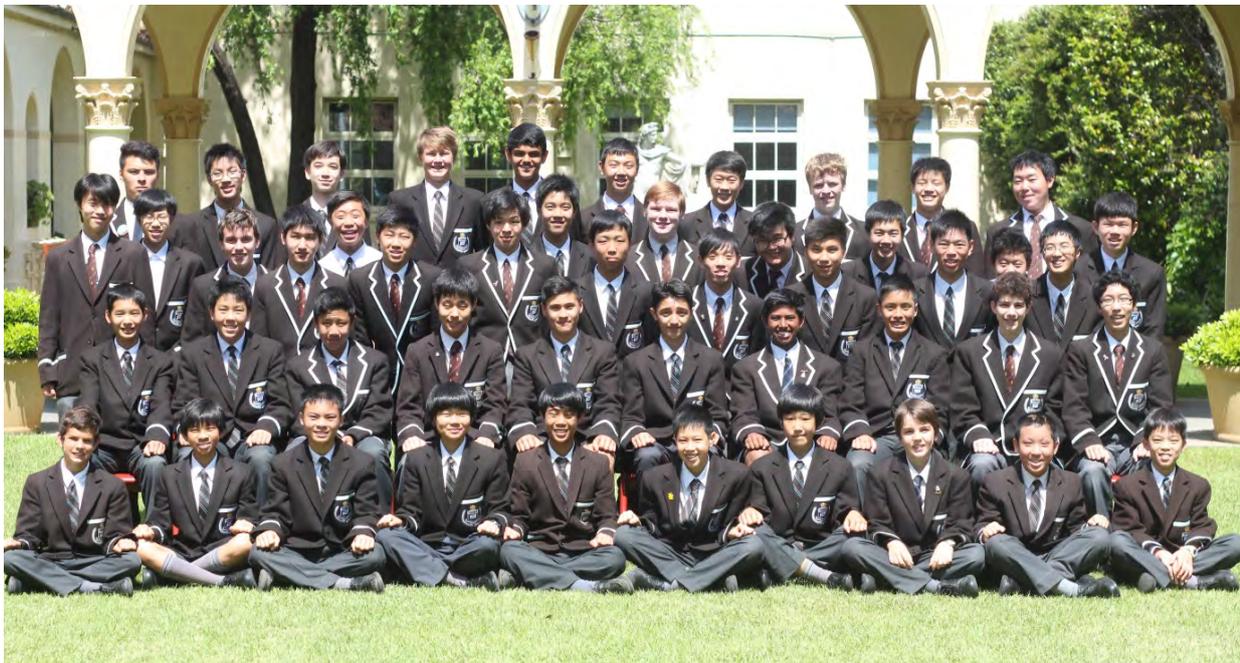
USA Music Tour Concert, Great Hall

Tuesday 24th February 2015 6.30pm-8pm

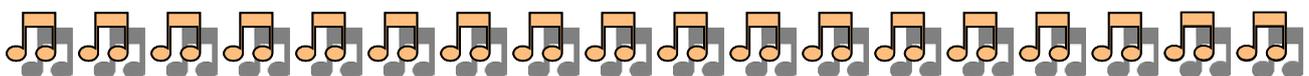
USA Music Tour *FAREWELL* concert, Great Hall

Sunday 29th March 2015 4pm-6pm

(Ticket prices TBC- all proceeds go towards the 2015 USA Music Tour)



(2015 USA Music Tour members)





Melbourne Rowing Trip 2015

The first half of the Sydney-Melbourne rowing exchange brought great excitement to the Year 10 eights. Nineteen Sydney High rowers boarded the flight for Melbourne, and upon arrival at the Powerhouse, both schools tried to stare each other down. It was a friendly rivalry between the two schools. We were assigned our billets and set out for the first training session on the water, using two Melbourne boats that were generously lent to us for the trip. It was nothing that we were adapted to. The Yarra was a flat and perfectly calm river, in contrast to the waves and river cats.

The second day saw a 4.5km race between the Sydney and Melbourne crews from the Powerhouse to the

Judge's box. Five crews, two Sydney eights, two Melbourne eights and a Melbourne quad took to the water. Things got settled quickly and Melbourne coaches called the start. The seconds took an easy win against Melbourne, winning by a good five boat lengths. The firsts, although have given Melbourne a ten second head start, managed to pull within half a boat length by the halfway mark but died away in the final stages of the race and lost by a margin of eighteen seconds. The First eight were shocked at this result and were determined to turn this around the next day.

With the first day of racing done, the Sydney Boys went off with the Melbourne billets for a game of laser tag and to explore the Melbourne CBD.



The third day of the exchange was the main race day between Sydney and Melbourne crews with a 2km and two 800m races to be held on the Yarra River. The seconds managed to win all three races as did the firsts despite a crack in the middle of our boat being the cause of leakage throughout the course of racing and the boat being weighed down. Although Melbourne managed to execute blistering fast starts in the first and third races, we pulled ahead early in the 2km race and held on to a comfortable lead to win and were able to cut it close in the third race, winning by a mere two seats.

On the Saturday the two Sydney High and two Melbourne High eights entered the Head of the Yarra, an 8.6km race from Melbourne CBD to Hawthorn. This was grueling but a unique experience and achievement.

All in all, the exchange was a success and we look forward to hosting the Melbourne boys when they come up in mid February. Many thanks must go to our MIC, Julie as well as the Melbourne MIC, Bill Flanagan for the organisation and behind the scenes work on the exchange.

Shane Wei



SBHS Y10 Eight in Head of the Yarra

SYDNEY HIGH TENNIS



“It is not about the size of the dog in the fight, but about the size of the fight in the dog.”

High vs SHORE School (2nd Round of GPS Season)

	1 st Grade	Result (WIN)	2 nd Grade (WIN)	Result
D1	1 + 2	W 6-2 6-1	1 + 2	W 6-1 6-2
D2	3 + 4	W 6-1 7-6	3 + 6	W 6-2 6-4
D3	5 + 6	W 6-0 6-1	4 + 5	L 6-1 5-7 3-10
S1	Eddy Wang	L 4-6 6-3 2-6	Richard Hao	W 6-4 6-0
S2	Carl Yang	W 6-7 6-1 7-5	James Lian	W 7-5 7-5
S3	Stevie Young	W 6-0 6-0	Danny Yu	W 6-0 6-0
S4	Josh Sanguenza	W 6-1 6-0	Aaron Tang	L 1-6 6-4 3-6
S5	Adam Smagarinsky	W 6-0 6-1	Wanyu Tang	L 6-1 2-6 2-6
S6	Matthew O’Sullivan	W 6-1 6-4	Branko Stajic	W 6-4 6-3

1st Grade

Adamant on finishing the final round of this year on a high note we played with the determination and uncompromising nature spoken of during the Summer Sport Assembly. Improving on our pre-season victory to a very comfortable 11-1 against courageous efforts by SHORE who were unable to match us on the singles and doubles court. Although Eddy has not been able to achieve his break through rubber he has demonstrated his desire to do so only being narrowly beaten in a tight three set contest coming back to win the second set but unfortunately a few too many unforced errors lost him the match. Continued comfortable wins evident on the stats report demonstrate our high percentages in winning games, sets and matches. We are excited for what is in store for next year’s remaining rounds as well as the Australian Open Tennis Camp.

-First Grade Captain
-Adam Smagarinsky



First Grade paying respect to Phillip Hughes

2nd Grade

2nd Grade played at Shore for the final match of the year, desperate for a win to stay in contention for the premiership. Wearing black armbands to pay respect to Phillip Hughes, the team started positively in the doubles. The number one and two pairs were able to record convincing wins of 6-1 6-2 and 6-2 6-4 respectively. The third pair could not finish the job from a commanding position of 4-2 in the second set, and ultimately lost the match 6-1 5-7 3-10. In the singles, Richard had difficulty closing out the first set before easing to a 6-4 6-0 victory. James earned a hard fought 7-5 7-5 victory against an aggressive opponent. Danny seemed to be chasing the record for the fastest match victory as he annihilated his opponent 6-0 6-0. Aaron could not replicate the form that has seen him go undefeated this term, falling short 1-6 6-4 3-6. Wanyu’s fatigue from his Duke of Ed hike showed as he lost the match after winning the first set comfortably, 6-1 2-6 2-6. Branko produced a solid performance to finish with a straight sets win, 6-4 6-3. Sitting third on the ladder after the first two rounds, the boys know there is catch up to be done, and they will be training hard during the holidays at the school tennis camp and the Australian Open camp to be ready for the remaining five rounds next year.

- Second Grade Captain
-Richard Hao

4th Grade

Fourth grade saw a massive improvement across the board coming into the first round of the GPS season against Shore. We cruised through the doubles rounds, with comfortable victories of 6-2 for both pairs. The singles rounds kicked off with Anthony Yu, playing number one, falling just short of his opponent and losing 4-6. Alex Liang tipped the scales back into our favour, with a 6-4 victory. Garry Huang's great form returning from injury continued from the preseason, easily winning 6-3. Finally, Thomas Nguyen, playing number four, sealed our victory, dismissing his opponent 6-0. Overall, we have improved greatly as a team coming into the GPS season and are looking to further our skills as we prepare for the upcoming 2015 season.



Created and brought to you by Adam Smagarinsky

For more info visit the Sydney High tennis website at: <http://www.sydneyhigh.org.au/tennis/>

Please spare some of your time on Saturday to come down and support High Tennis.



High Tide

Sydney Boys High School Sailing

29th November 2014

This Saturday started off with rather light breezes that gently swept the High Fleet over to Rose Bay to do battle with the remaining sailors from the other schools. As the other schools have started to go on holidays, the number of our competitors' boats had diminished. This week took an odd turn from the usual courses of the triangle-sausage combinations and the course took form in a trapezium format. Not put off, High sailors relished this new opportunity to exercise their skills.

By the beginning of the first race, the winds died down to a faint wisp. Kai Matsumoto/Darren Lim, Darren Taing/Jonathan Zhang, Arthur Chao/Max Wharton-Jones, Stratton Vakirtzis/Daniel Liang, and Angelo Yan/Kai Huang all were sailing well in the light winds at the third mark, but unfortunately the becalmed conditions forced the race to be called off.

Soon after, the winds picked up from the North, but not before some major shifts. The course structure was the same, but the marks were moved around to suit the wind changes. By this time, everyone was quite edgy and so, most people were over the line when the start flag went down, resulting in a general recall. The second start was far more successful, however the race did not result in as good results as the first overall. Stratton Vakirtzis/Daniel Liang blitzed their way to a top podium place finish at a very strong second and Dallas Yan/Victor Oh claimed a top 10 position.

This week was the last racing Saturday for the year as other schools retire for the year. Overall this term there were some very impressive results, notably by Kai Matsumoto, Thomas Shortridge and Angelo Yan. Nonetheless, High sailors shall train ever more seriously to be fresh when next year's races start to claim ever better results.

Arthur Chao

Sailing Media Officer

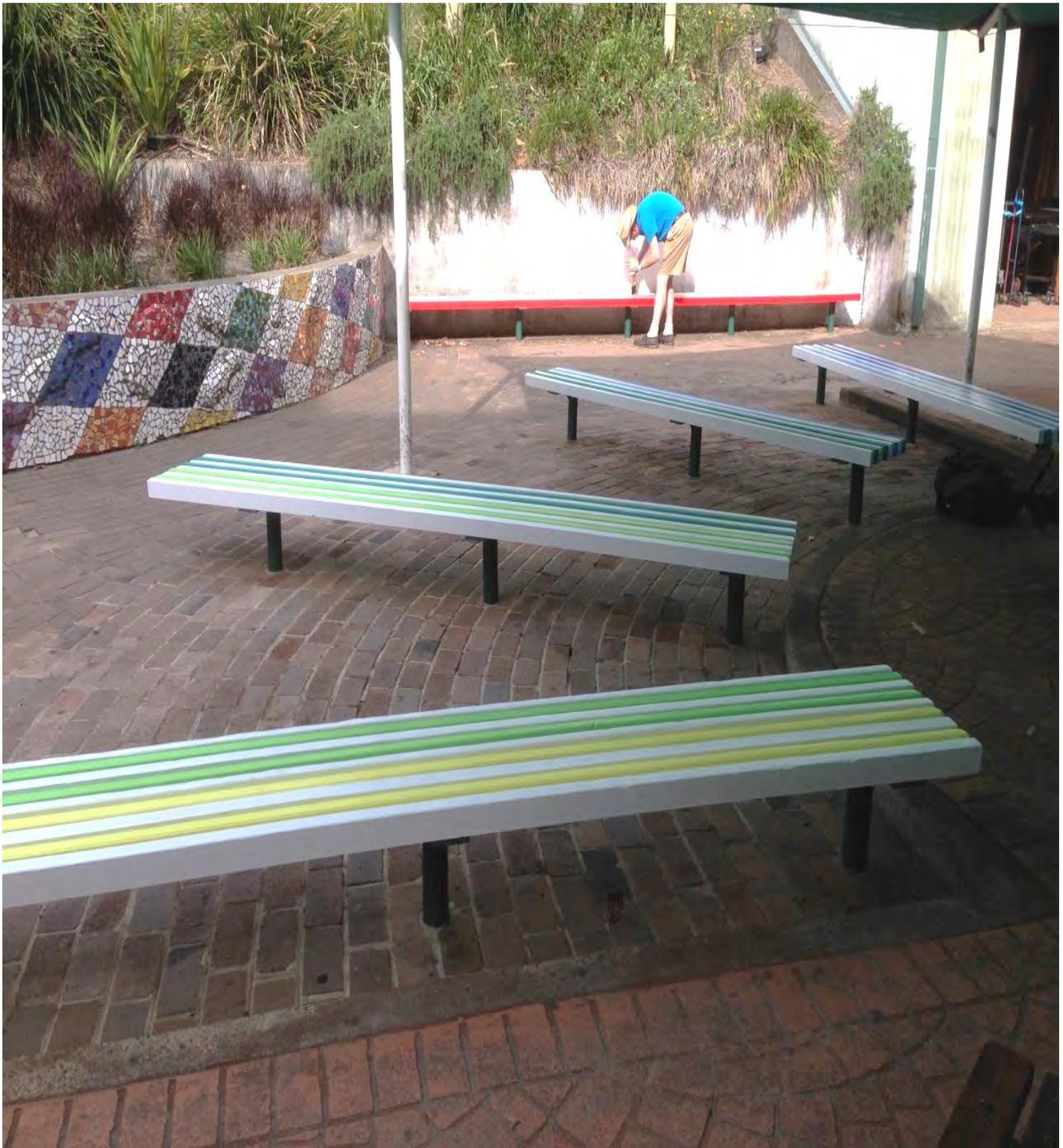
SBHS Sailing 2014

SBHS WORKING BEE

Next Working Bee is first Saturday back: 31st Jan 2015 starting at 9:00.

The last day of 22 November was a huge success but don't feel that because you haven't come so far you can't come to the first day next year.

If you have any questions contact Julie Fox: rodfox@iprimus.com.au or ph 9665 7326.



Bring Your Own Device' Program: Advice for 2015

Application of this Advice

The Sydney Boys High School Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) program has now been finalised for 2015. All documentation has been updated and is available for you to view on the BYOD website at:

<http://www.sydneyboyshigh.com/byod>

All students heading into Years 7 – 10 2015 are expected to bring a device of their own choosing and ownership to school each day. In addition, any student with a Digital Education Revolution laptop (students in Years 11 – 12, 2015) may also bring their own device to school under this BYOD program.

Recommended Devices

You may elect to bring any device which meets the Device Specification. However, selecting a technology device is not simple, and the Specification is particular. Our recommended devices are designed to simplify your choices and purchasing processes.

Sydney Boys High School has again partnered with ASI Solutions to make our recommended devices available:

Microsoft Surface Pro 3



- 12" Touch Screen
- 4rd Generation Intel Core Processor – Core i3 and Core i5 options available
- 4GB RAM, 64GB/128GB Solid State Disk
- Surface Pro 3 Type Cover
- 3 Year Warranty

The Microsoft Surface Pro 3 is the best convertible multi-touch device available. The device has an excellent quality screen and is supplied with the Surface Pro 3 type cover. The Surface is an exceptionally versatile device for use with our BYOD program.

Lenovo ThinkPad X240



- 12.5" Screen – HD and FHD options available
- 4th Generation Intel Core Processor – Core i3 and Core i5 options available
- 4GB RAM, 128GB Solid State Disk
- 3 Year On-site Warranty

The ThinkPad X240 is a thin and very light device that fits well in a school bag. Battery life is excellent. Looked after, the X240 should readily complete four years of high school service.

Lenovo ThinkPad 11e (Windows)



- 11.6" HD Screen
- 4th Generation Intel Processor
- 4GB RAM, 128GB Solid State Disk
- 3 Year On-site Warranty

The ThinkPad 11e is Lenovo's speciality education product. It features rubber bumpers and a thicker screen surround to help it withstand the bumps inherent with bringing a device to school. It's heavier and a slower device than the other options, but is well positioned for our BYOD program.

Why Purchase a Recommended Device?

All our recommended devices are configured to meet the device specification comfortably. All feature solid state disks and so have no moving parts. Warranties are a minimum of 3 years. Lenovo devices feature an on-site warranty which means the device can be fixed by a technician at school, ensuring its maximum availability. A four year warranty option is also available.

Additionally, Accidental Damage Protection insurance is available as an option for your peace of mind.

Recommended devices are available at a discount from their retail pricing through our device purchasing portal.

How to Purchase a Recommended Device

You may purchase a recommended device from our purchasing portal. Visit the BYOD website for instructions to access the portal and place an order. The purchasing portal is available to all families of Sydney Boys High School students.

You need the following code to register for the Purchasing Portal:

Sbhs@14

Note the code is CASE-SENSITIVE. Devices ordered through the Purchasing Portal will take **three to four weeks** for to become available. You can opt to pick up your order from the ASI Solutions office in Botany (open through the January holidays) or from the school's BYOD Technical Support office (Room 703) during school term.

Other Device Options

There are dozens of suitable devices in the market for you to choose from apart from those which we recommend and which you can buy through our purchasing portal. For example, the following transformer devices all meet the BYOD program's Device Specification:

- Acer Aspire Switch
- Apple iPad Air with Logitech Ultrathin Keyboard Cover
- Asus Transformer Book T100
- Lenovo ThinkPad Yoga

Additionally, no recommended device is an Apple Macintosh laptop, but both the 11" and 13" MacBook Air meet all the Device Specification requirements.

Take care to ensure your chosen device meets the Device Specification.
Ensuring it meets the requirements for Wireless Network connectivity can be difficult when buying in store.

An important note about software

No recommended device ships with Microsoft Office, but a word processor and a spreadsheet product are a requirement of the Software section of the Device Specification. Microsoft Office for Windows and Macintosh is available to students **for free**. Students can log into the Student Portal to find instructions for obtaining this software.

Getting Started with a Device

The BYOD program website has information for students on what to do before bringing a device to school for the first time. Following the procedure described will ensure the device can be connected quickly and used smoothly at school.

Find Out More

All information is now available on the Bring Your Own Device website – <http://www.sydneyboyshigh.com/byod>.

If you have questions which have not been addressed in any documentation, or you wish to make comment, please email the project team at: byod.feedback@sbhs.nsw.edu.au

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