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Editor's Comments

The Record 2009 represents the richness and diversity of our school community. Reflected through these pages is an inspiring documentation of the substantial contribution made by students, staff and the wider School family to the life of Sydney High. It has been a privilege to draw these various threads together in this current publication.

I want to especially acknowledge the help given to me by Mark Gainford whose knowledge and assistance in collating the photographs made my job as Editor that much easier. Invaluable support has also been provided by the Administrative Staff enabling printing deadlines to be met.

Marina Trompetter, Editor



Year 12 Farewell Assembly 2009

Good afternoon to all the parents, staff and family who have come to share our Farewell Assembly for Year 12, 2009. On this special day, we celebrate the ceremonial completion of secondary schooling by reminiscing about the people who featured in our lives, the experiences we enjoyed, the challenges we faced and the disappointments we endured. Our Year 12 students often have mixed feelings about leaving something known, comfortable and structured and facing something uncertain and open ended yet to come. These days evoke strong emotions of needing to seize the moment. We provide a booklet to preserve your before and after images, as well as to express our best wishes, you take away your experiences of the years and a sizable number of group photographs.

I believe Year 12, 2009 has many accomplishments to be proud of. I predict that the cohort's overall academic results will be on a par with last year's good ones. You boys were the first at High to experience a senior library facility. You have led the way in cooperative learning. I urge you to persist with your collaborative efforts in the weeks ahead.

Year 12, 2009 has delivered the best all round sports performance seen by High for a long time. In GPS competition the performances of teams in basketball, volleyball, football and cricket were excellent. Athletics continues to improve as a sport that High can compete in with success. Our rifle

shooting team won a co-premiership. Rugby won a first grade match. At CHS competition High had great individual and team successes in a variety of sports, headed up by volleyball regaining its CHS knockout title. The class of 2009 will be remembered for having two Australian schools representatives – Spencer Llewellyn in basketball and Balraj Ougra in volleyball. Congratulations to all Year 12 boys who contributed to the successes enjoyed by High sports this year.

I want to thank the School Prefects and their leaders, Pat, Clive and Nelson; they have served you well. You were the first group of Prefects to have to earn their badges by doing their duties satisfactorily over several terms. The intern system worked well and produced positive benefits in school service and better compliance with canteen responsibilities.

This year's cohort has displayed great 'High Spirit'. Support for our teams, even under sometimes trying circumstances has been unwavering. I congratulate the eighty-one boys who engaged in two seasons of GPS sport, your commitment is a credit to you. In particular, I want to draw attention to the 'triple firsts' listed in my Principal's Message – Alasdair, Sam Higgins, Kerrod, Shahar and Matthew. Your dedication to training, travelling, competing and balancing studies and life, is most impressive. Likewise, we applaud the efforts of the 'double firsts' – Alexander, Sam Burnham, Justin, Stephen,



Jeremy, Harrison, Jackson, Kent and Nelson. Thank you to the 'one-two club' members – Sam Binns, Clive, Simon, Ritam, Jason, Balraj, Avish, and Jack. Well done Neil – our sole 'double –two' for the year. The foundation of our sporting performances is the group of athletes prepared to compete in multiple sports.

I hope to look back on 2009 as the start of the rebuilding of rugby at High. I really appreciate the efforts made by all involved with rugby to cope with the amalgamation with SGS and the disruptions to the fixtures caused by the agreement. I apologise for the length of time it took to get our home games played at McKay.

The year 2009 will be seen as the turning point year, when High started to take fitness, physical preparation and training more seriously. It is the year of the logbook. Most GPS sports have taken responsibility as teams for the strength and fitness of their members. Individuals are now accountable for what they do to prepare themselves for competition. Our school will perform better as a result of this change in culture, pioneered by the class of 2009.

I want to thank all the Year 12 leaders in co-curricular activities. In music performance, debating, SRC, community service and all the activities that make our school so dynamic, thank you for being such good role models.

In saying farewell to the class of 2009 I want you to consider the words of the major English poet Phillip Larkin, who discussed the differences between his assumptions about what should happen with his life and that those of a university friend, Dockery. ...

"Where do these

Innate assumptions come from? Not from what

We think truest, or most want to do:

Those warp tight-shut, like doors. They're more a style

Our lives bring with them: habit for a while,

Suddenly they harden into all we've got

And how we got it; ..."

Much of what you are now was 'tight shut' in you when you came here. Your personalities, beliefs and attitudes you carried into Year 7. We hope to have affected your assumptions about the world and its people in your years at High. Your teachers have exposed you to a range of concepts, taught you skills and built your capacity to make informed choices, evaluations and judgements. Teachers and students model behaviours and cooperate to serve you and others in ways that might influenced you. We hope that the training in thinking and feeling instilled in you by teachers here, 'how you got it', shapes you positively as people, capable of growing and influencing others. In a sense, you will become your choices, you will live your assumptions. They will become 'the style of your lives'. One of the great benefits of education is to give individuals the capacity to always question assumptions – theirs and others. I trust your experiences of the total curriculum offered at High have equipped you for further education in its widest sense. As Larkin observed about life, 'whether or not we use it, it goes'. You have an opportunity to use the next few weeks of your lives very profitably by chasing your academic goals. When your schooling is over I am most confident that you will all use your lives well. High alumni have a reputation for doing so.

I am honoured to have been your Principal while you prepared yourselves for the future.

Dr KA Jaggarr



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SPEECH NIGHT

and

125th ANNUAL PRIZE GIVING

Tuesday 17 February, 2009 7.30 pm

Occasional address by

The Hon. Michael Kirby, AC CMG

Principal's Address

Special guest, the Honourable Michael Kirby, Ms Clover Moore, Member for Sydney, Relieving School Education Director, Gavin Patterson, distinguished guests, Old Boys, staff, prize winners and families, welcome to our 125th Speech Night.

2008 was a memorable year for High. Our outcomes for the total curriculum were high quality and our cultural development most pleasing. We celebrated our 125 years of secondary education with a well organised and entertaining Cabaret in partnership with SGHS. Special dinners for Cadets and the Rifle Club honoured the unbroken commitment of school organisations since 1883. At the Rowing Reunion Dinner more than 200 guests celebrated 85 years of GPS rowing and raised significant funds for the program. The Chinese New Year celebration, organised by the Sydney High Development Committee, was a sell out success and is being held again this year.

The introduction of a new Film Making elective proved popular with the boys. Using the new facilities in room 611 and the video editing software, our students were soon producing competition standard film products. Our offerings in Studies of Religion were expanded with students opting to sit the HSC at both 1-unit and 2-unit level, allowing more flexible HSC course selection. Subject acceleration pathways were undertaken by more than 120 students, not including the 2-unit mathematics group sitting the HSC in Year 11. The Year 10 Commerce program was rewritten as an extension course, exposing students to political philosophy and science, as well as to an outline of the evolution of economic ideas. The two-elective policy in Year 10 appears to be achieving its objectives. The incoming Year 9 class made a seamless transition into

the life of High. Our Literacy Strategy is in its third year and appears to be impacting on writing across the school. The most rewarding change for me has been that our sports assembly culture is becoming more positive, respectful and celebratory in its student recognition rituals.

Whole day and fractional attendance rates are at an all time high, thanks in no small measure to our period by period electronic roll marking procedure. I want to thank Bob Dowdell for his creativity and initiative in fast tracking this important incentive for student responsibility. Our expanded 'Find A Student' program, also written by Bob, allows staff and coaches to track, record and publish participation data for our Student Awards Scheme and Student Reports. Our training logbooks, weights room attendance checks and Monday Sprints data, have combined to help us monitor and acknowledge regular student training. Richard Ayre and Jason Tassell are building momentum in the important area of physical preparation and preseason training. More coaches are appreciating the value of this attempted cultural change. We are tightening our sports and activities management. Individual and team discipline needs to be stronger, given the recruiting practices and training regimes of our GPS opponents.

The Student Awards Scheme has been an outstanding success during the last nine years in encouraging student participation in school activities. As we have added categories and increased requirements over the years, the boys have responded by raising their commitment and participation. We have had to add two levels of award since the scheme began in 2000 and still many boys exceed the benchmarks. The

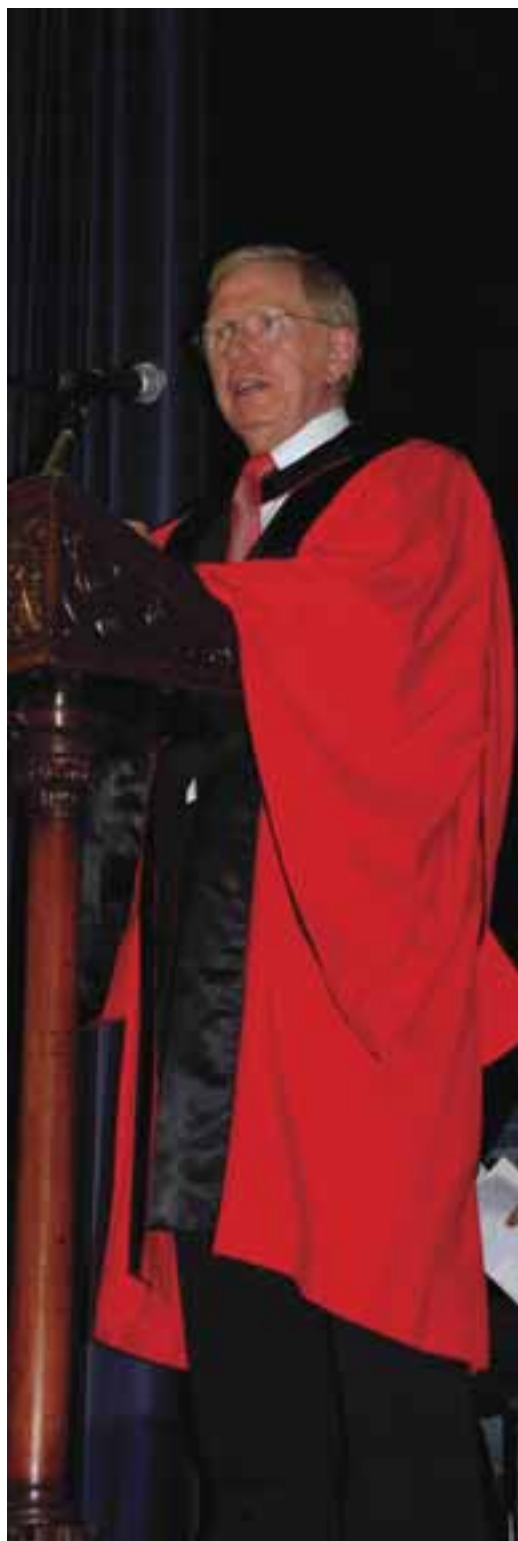
highest level of the scheme requires 64 awards over six years. By the end of Year 12 in 2008, Nathan McDonnell had accumulated an astounding 87 awards, with Alex Shapilsky earning 75 and Anthony HO, 74. These boys model just how much can be achieved in co-curricular activities. In our leadership program we trialled an Internee School Prefects system that makes Internees accountable for their service. Their final investiture ceremony will be later this year. Our successful Parent Mentor Scheme has been mirrored by our Student Mentor program.

At High our co-curricular programs are dependent upon the volunteer assistance of parents, Old Boys and friends of High. I want to thank the hundreds of people who help us, but my special thanks go to the Bowes, Cerecina, Coutts, Hayes, Hui and Nadkarni families leaving us tonight. Amongst many others they have given great service to High. I continue to be humbled by the countless hours of volunteer work performed by High parents to support our governance, businesses and programs.

The 'living museum' plan was enhanced by three blazers mounted on the wall in the main building, along with other memorabilia. The Ethel Killip Memorial Art collection was increased by two art works by an Old Boy and a photograph collage by a recent Old Boy. Our special 125th activity at the Foundation Assembly was to honour the school's OAM recipients. The honour board unveiling was attended by over 30 Old Boys. We intend to repeat the process for AMs this year.

Our major achievement in 2008 was to graduate 204 boys with an average UAI of 93.6. Forty-five students had UAIs of 99 or higher. An encouraging 159 boys earned 90 UAI or better. Our value added data were the best since the comparisons of SC and HSC student performance commenced. Justin Zuo was Dux with 100 UAI. He topped the HSC in Economics and was placed 7th in Mathematics extension 1 and Physics. Simon Liu was 5th in Legal Studies and 9th in English Advanced. Alvin Leung was third in Legal Studies. Muhamed Mehmedbasic came 5th in Music extension. Nathan Lieu was 8th in Legal Studies, Ajay Balachandran 9th in Economics, Thomas Wilson 9th in Latin Continuers, Daniel Chim 10th in Chemistry and Michael Bock 10th in Legal Studies.

In academic competitions John Wormell won third prize in the UNSW Mathematics Competition. In the ICAS competitions, Andrew Hau and Jarrod Chan won medals for the highest score for their age group in the





state. The senior chess team won the NSW Schools Senior Chess championship. The first grade debating team were co-premiers in the GPS competition. Zhi Zhu was invited to perform at Encore.

In sport, High had quite a successful year. Our basketball program is gaining strength as evidenced by our win in the U15 CHS Knockout Tournament. We also placed 5th in the Open Division of that competition. Spencer Llewellyn was chosen in the NSW U-18 basketball team.

At the AAGPS Athletics carnival, Shadman Ali won the 100m. and Chris Morrow the high jump. At the CHS carnival our team won seven medals. Michael Denny-Smith won gold in the 400m. hurdles, as did Dinghua Xiao in the shot put. Michael and Dinghua qualified for the national championships in Canberra, along with Joshua Tassell who won a bronze medal there in the 4 x 200 relay – a great effort. The U-17 cross Country team earned a bronze medal at the All Schools championship – another great result!

High crews won 23 medals at the CHS Rowing Championships. Gold was won in the championship division in: the Men's VIII, the coxed IV, the quad scull and the coxless pairs. The quad sculls won gold in the U15 through to the U17 age groups with double scull gold in the U15 and U16 finals. Daniel O'Keefe was selected by Sydney Rowing Club to compete in the

Fawley Cup for U-19 quad sculls at Henley, UK – a significant achievement!

The Open Volleyball team won a silver medal at the National Championships in Melbourne – a fine effort! They were also GPS co-premiers and semi-finalists in the CHS Knockout tournament. Phillip Kurts was first in Division 1 at the CHS Sailing championships in his 29er. John Gaunt was selected in the GPS first grade tennis team and Ivan Cerecina was chosen in second grade. Razeen Ahmed was chosen in the combined Five Highs team after the annual tournament. Our first grade Target Rifle Shooting team was 3rd at the GPS Shoot at Hornsby with Ishan Nadkarni third overall in the individual point score. Both Ishan and Matthew Tong were selected in the GPS Combined Rifle Shooting Team. Lachlan Street was chosen in the combined CIS football team, while Daniel Campion was selected in the Combined GPS first grade team.

I am confident that in 2008 our students in teams and as individuals enhanced High's reputation as a school for high achieving all rounders.

As we say farewell to the class of 2008 for the final time, we are sending you into troubled times. Derivatives trading, greed, misrepresentation, lax supervision, outright fraud and a lack of political will to regulate financial markets internationally, combined to produce a crisis which undermined our collective confidence

and choked off commerce and trade around the globe. Our economic self-efficacy is shattered and the doomsayers rule. The devastating effects of centuries of neglect of our planet have been starkly brought home to us recently with the horrendous bushfires in Victoria and the unprecedented floods in North Queensland. As university students (2009-2011) you will be facing the toughest economic climate since the 1930s. You will await anxiously the effects of the latest stimulus packages attempted by governments. You will need to trust that they and business can combine to restore enough jobs by 2012 or 2013 for you to be employed on graduation.

In my customary homiletic observations, tonight I offer you the antidote of hope. To Napoleon, leaders are dealers in hope. They trade in and manipulate hope. He exhorted his men to achieve great feats of arms. He inspired them with unshakeable belief in his ability to deliver victory. Emily Dickinson, the great nineteenth century poet, left us with an evocative metaphor of hope as a spiritual, yet tenacious song bird in each soul that requires no sustenance yet sings in the direst circumstances to every one of us. Humans have an abiding capacity to be hopeful. Martin Luther King, in August 1963 delivered his famous Lincoln Memorial speech. He said. "In a sense we have come to our nation's capital to cash a check[sic]. When the architects of our republic wrote the magnificent words of the Constitution and the Declaration of Independence, they were signing a promissory note to which every American was to fall heir. This note was a promise that all men would be guaranteed the unalienable rights of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. It is obvious today that America has defaulted on this promissory note insofar as citizens of color are concerned." King called on his followers, whom he labelled "veterans of creative suffering", to return home in the knowledge that: "somehow this situation can and will be changed". King's speech resonated with our human craving for a right direction – for orientation – for hope. When struck by confusion, chaos and despair we cling to beacons of hope to show us the way. When confronting enormous challenges and trying to put policy propositions into context during an election campaign, Barack Obama (2008) consistently held to his mantra: "Yes, we can". In an environment where America's financial cheque is bouncing, at least politically, King's promissory note has been honoured in part by Obama's election.

Hope is a belief that the future can be better than the past. If you believe you can make a difference, you will.



Maintain a teleological disposition. Focus on ends and the means will come to you. My earnest wish for you all is that you can maintain and develop a hopeful demeanour that will sustain your resilience, inspire your perseverance and fuel your task directed energy. It is all about attitude. At High we trust we have provided opportunities for you to experience hopefulness in action and to believe in its efficacy. Congratulations to all prize winners and farewell to those leaving us for the last time.

Dr KA Jaggard

ACADEMIC AWARDS

HSC

The Headmaster's Prize and Warnecke Trophy for DUX	Justin Zuo
The Alan C Corner Prize for Physics	
Mathematics Extension 1	
The Paul Griffiths Prize for Economics	
Prize for Second (aeq)	Daniel Chim
The G C Saxby Prize for Mathematics Extension 2	
The Henry F Halloran Diamond Jubilee Prize for Chemistry	
Prize for Second (aeq)	Ajay Balachandran
The A B Piddington Prize for English Literature	
Prize for Second (aeq)	Alvin Leung
Legal Studies	
Advanced English	Simon Liu
English Extension 2	
The Sir Earle Page Prize for German	
The Dr F W Doak Prize for Latin	Thomas Wilson
Music 2	
The Class of 1937 Prize for Visual Arts	Lewis Burger
Visual Arts	
History Extension	Nathan McDonnell
The Clarrie Martin Memorial Prize for Modern History	
Mathematics (2 unit)	Simon Cheng
English Extension 1	Albert Kim
The Frank S Bradhurst Prize for Biology	Patrick Locke
Business Studies	Matthew Dinh
The H C Fisk Prize for Ancient History	Lucian Tan
The Norman Save Memorial Prize for History Performance	Alistair Taylor
Geography	Steven Luo
Latin (Extension)	Jun Dai
Chinese (Extension)	Howard Gu
Chinese (Continuers)	Phillip Wang

Music 1	Plini Roessler-Holgate
Music Extension	Muhamed Mehmedbasic
Software Design	I-Cheng Shih
The M G Speedy Prize for Engineering Studies	Roy Wong
Personal Development, Health and Physical Education	James Ip
The Meakin Prize for Design & Technology	Arthur Kourtesis (aeq) Samuel Wan (aeq)
The John Henry Fraser Studies of Religion Prize - 1 Unit	Dominic Bowes
The John Henry Fraser Studies of Religion Prize – 2 Unit	Nicholas Lochner
The Lionel Foucaud Prize for French Extension The Sir Earle Page Prize for French	Calum Martin

PRELIMINARY

The Keith C Cameron Memorial Prize for DUX Classical Greek	Thomas Wilson
The P & C Prize for Second	Yiming Cao
Prize for Third Software Design	Daniel Lambert
English Advanced Visual Arts	Bryant Apolonio
Geography The J Manchester Prize for Biology	Victor Lam
Studies of Religion Music 1	Lachlan Brown
The F A Elgar Prize for English Extension	Christopher Evans
The K Saxby Prize for Mathematics	Clive Chen
The University of NSW School of Economics Prize for Economics	Desmond Hi
The C W Wicks Prize for Physics	George Cosman
Business Studies	Andy Liu
Modern History	Sam Burnham
Ancient History	Timothy Burston

Engineering Science	Phillip Kurts
Legal Studies	Matthew Lau
The SHOB Rugby Club Prize for Chemistry	Brendon Martinez
The F A Elgar Prize for French	Mark Lucchitti
German	Matthew Osinski
Latin	Christian Katsikaros
Chinese (Continuers)	Steven Ke
Music 2	Andre Brokman
Personal Development, Health and Physical Education	Hugo Richards

YEAR 10

The Sir Frederick Jordan Memorial Prize for DUX Commerce	Adrian Zhang
The University of Sydney Year 10 Academic Excellence Award (2nd in Year 10) The H A Coss Prize for English History Elective Combined	Antony Paul
The P & C Prize for Third	Vithushan Mohan
The A H Pelham Prize for Classical Greek The Edgar Bembrick Memorial Prize for Latin	John Wormell
Design & Technology Visual Arts	Anirban Ghose
Mathematics	Andy Chiem
Science	Christopher Wong
Geography	Robert Lu
History	Adarsh George
The George Hillary Smith QC Prize for French	Ankush Thyagaraju
German	Liam Aylmer
Chinese	Hugh Huang
Architecture & Engineering Drawing	Andrew Banh
Business Studies	Andy Liu

Visual Design	Christopher Tin-Loi
Drama	Angud Chawla
Music	Ding Yan
Personal Development, Health and Physical Education	Clinton Jiang

YEAR 9

The J H Killip Prize for DUX The R K Levis Prize for English History French Latin Music	Samuel Beston
The P & C Prize for Second Mathematics Commerce Visual Design	Max Wei
The Phillip Seymour Prize for Third	Austin Ly
The Macquarie University Prize for Academic Achievement	Yale Wong
Science	Kit Man Cheng
History Elective	Andrew Gaffney
Geography	Ashwin Rudder
German	Isaac Eveleigh
Chinese	Vinson Zheng
Classical Greek	David Wang
Drama	Saif Haque
Visual Arts	Andrew Huynh
Design & Technology	Allen Liao
Film Making	Joseph Lui
Architecture and Building Design	Jeffrey Tang
Personal Development, Health and Physical Education	Samuel Lane

YEAR 8

The F A Elgar Prize for DUX Design & Technology	Patrick Krakovsky
The P & C Prize for Second Science	Kenny Lau
The Doris M Gray Prize for Third Geography	Abeer Khan
Chinese Intermediate History	Stephen Trang
English	Timothy Chin
Mathematics	Gary Liang
Classical Greek	Christopher Chiam
French	Gavin Sutton
Chinese Beginners	Jack Zou
Chinese Advanced	Ming Chin
Latin	William Ho
German	Andreas Purcal
Visual Arts	Conor Stack
Music	Ben Wilcox
Personal Development, Health and Physical Education	Jerry Zhou

YEAR 7

The Gordon Barr Memorial Prize for DUX English	Victor Chew
The P & C Prize for Second	Daniel Tam
The Doris M Gray Prize for Third Science	Alexander Nguyen
Design & Technology History	Calum York
Mathematics	Jonathan Kim

Geography	Anup Kaluve
French	Tushar Joshi
German	Edwin Li
Latin	Dominic Mah
Chinese	Jeff Peng
Visual Arts	Nam Nguyen
Music	Darryl Chan
Personal Development, Health and Physical Education	Amarbir Singh

SPECIAL AND CO-CURRICULAR AWARDS

The Phillip Day Memorial Scholarship Alexander Belokopytov
The recipient of this inaugural Phillip Day Memorial Scholarship was chosen because of his excellent all round achievement.

The Brian Allsop Memorial Prize Timothy Gollan
Brian Kelly

Awarded annually since 1989 to an outstanding Junior school sportsman who displays the attributes of sportsmanship, courage and modesty with the proviso that no student can be given this honour on more than one occasion.

The Captain John Fittler Memorial Award Anthony Ho
Awarded to the student who displays unwavering devotion to any cause that serves the ideals and ethos of the School, above and beyond the call of duty.

The Carol Hardy Memorial Prize Nicholas Hayes
Awarded to a senior student for his contribution to music and other aspects of school life.

The J M and W G Forsyth Memorial Prize Antony Paul
Michael Phung
Awarded to a Junior student who is deemed to be outstanding throughout his course and particularly in the year of the Award, in respect of scholarship, sport and School example.

The John Francis Bush Memorial Prize Christian Katsikaros
Awarded to a Year 11 student for popularity, general character and general proficiency in School and sport.

The Oswald Chapman Memorial Prize Alvin Leung
To the best all-rounder in Year 12. He is selected on the basis of character, scholarship (should be in the first ten in the year), sport and participation in School activities.

The Peter H Cappe Memorial Prize Lachlan Street
To honour a Year 12 student who has distinguished himself throughout his School career by outstanding achievement and contribution to the School.

Speech Night

The Phil Ainsworth Memorial Prize

Alistair Taylor

Awarded to a Year 12 student who, during his six years, has shown particular commitment to the ideals of the School Motto – 'With Truth and Courage', as evidenced by his proficiency in academic (especially English) cultural and sporting activities.

The Ross Miller Memorial Award

Christopher Morrow

Joshua Sutton

*Awarded to a Junior student judged to be the best all-rounder.
This Award is given in memory of an Old Boy and teacher in the School.*

The Michael Goodwin Memorial Prize

Xiaoyi Zhai

Given in acknowledgement of courage shown in the face of adversity.

The Mitchell A Seow Memorial Prize

Varan Perananthan

Awarded to honour a Year 12 student who is a caring friend to all, never lets his friends or team mates down and has the admiration of his peers and teachers alike, putting 100% effort into a diverse range of endeavours.

The Stephen Halliday Memorial Prize

Jonah Petrie

*For High spirit; leadership and commitment to sport throughout Years 7 to 9;
contribution to community and academic proficiency.*

Special Prize for Services to the School

Robert Chen

A number of these prizes are awarded annually to boys whom the Headmaster considers have given valuable service to the School. They are usually not awarded to Prefects.

Special Staff Prize

Joshua Hui

Muhammed Mehmedbasic

Alex Shapilsky

Awarded to a student for the consistently generous sacrifice of time and invaluable contribution to the School.

The 1958 Merit Award

Dominic Bowes

Awarded to a Year 12 student in just recognition of his sound character and overall performance in studies, sport and other activities.

The 1977 Year 12 Prize for Excellence

Alasdair Brown

To a student who has excelled in a sporting or other area/s outside school activities.

The Caltex Best All Rounder Award

Ping Du

To a student judged by the School staff as the best all-rounder. The student is selected on the basis of character, sport, scholarship and other activities.

The Class of 1991 Prize

Ishan Nadkarni

Awarded to a Year 12 student who, over six consecutive years, has contributed consistently in a number of fields to the character and spirit of the school.

The Class of 2001 Prize for Outdoor Education

Shreyas Iyer

Awarded to a student who has demonstrated enthusiasm for and commitment to outdoor education.

The Deputy Principals' Prizes

Ziggy Harrison-Tikisci

Shreyas Iyer

Awarded to students who have given valuable service to the School.

The Headmaster's Award for Achievement in the Arts

Brian Lau
Plini Roessler-Holgate
Dominic Wong

Awarded to students whose art work has been set aside for possible selection in Art Express or Encore.

The Headmaster's Award for Outstanding Achievement in the Arts

Zhi Zu

*Awarded since 1993 for a significant contribution to the Arts, not necessarily within the School,
and whose art work or performance has been selected for Art Express or Encore.*

The Headmaster's Award for Achievement in Industrial Arts

Matthew Fsadni

*Awarded for a significant contribution to Industrial Arts, not necessarily within the School,
and whose work has been nominated for DesignTech*

The Headmaster's Award for Outstanding Achievement in Industrial Arts

Arthur Kourtesis
Samuel Wan

*Awarded for a significant contribution to Industrial Arts, not necessarily within the School,
and whose work has been displayed in DesignTech.*

The Geoff Toakley Prize for Excellence in Chess

Jason Cohn

Awarded to a competition chess player who demonstrates skill, talent and respect for the game.

The J W Gibbes Junior Prize

William Stefanidis
Nelson Wang

*Awarded to a Junior student for proficiency in the Humanities – Classics, English and History
– soundness of character and interest in GPS sport.*

The J W Gibbes Year 12 Prize

Edwin Montoya Zorrilla

*Awarded to a Year 12 student for proficiency in Latin, qualities of leadership and devotion to duty
in relation to GPS sport.*

The James Brunton Gibb Prize for Public Speaking

Zid Mancenido

Awarded to a Year 12 student who excels in the art of public speaking.

The John Waterhouse Prize

David Vien

*Awarded to the Prefect who has done most in the interests of the School, particularly in the way of keeping the
'esprit de corps' and maintaining a high moral tone.*

The K J Andrews Award

Daniel O'Keefe

*To a student who contributes willingly and generously across many facets which go to make up the school.
Key attributes include leadership, involvement, attitude and sense of pride in the School.*

The Le Prix Roger Peyrefitte

Samuel Beston

*Awarded to a student in any year who has demonstrated talent in, and enthusiasm
for both Litterae (Latin/Greek) and French*

The Lennie Bassar Award for Scientific Initiative

Daochen Tong

*To a senior student who demonstrated outstanding scientific initiative and leadership in a school based
(or sponsored) practical or skill based activity.*

The Old Boys' Prize

Ashwin Thomas

*Awarded to the student who was 'not necessarily first in sport, not necessarily first in scholarship,
but certainly first in the hearts of his fellows'.*

The Reuben F Scarf Memorial Prize

James Ip

Awarded for consistent effort and desire to improve

The Robert Outterside Prize

Shahar Merom

Awarded to a Year 12 student who has distinguished himself in Mathematics and Rugby.

The S & P Tzannes Prize

Shuming Wang

Awarded to a Year 7 student of sound character, proficient in academic studies, sport and cultural activities.

The recipient should also display a willingness to subordinate his own interests to those of the school and his fellow students.

The Senior Prize for Creativity

Lewis Burger

Awarded to a Year 12 student in recognition of the outstanding creativity and risk taking evident in their art work.

Junior Prize for Public Speaking

Christopher Chiam

DEBATING AWARDS

Year 12

Dominic Bowes

Year 11

Anton Jurisevic

Year 10

Maxwell Phillis

Year 9

Nakul Bhagwat

Year 8

Robert Sternhell

Year 7

Wilber Koslowski

THE PETER WALKER AWARD FOR ENGLISH LITERATURE

For excellence in English Literature

Year 12

Lucian Tan

Year 11

David Fan

Year 10

Justin Chan

Year 9

Nishant Paul

Year 8

Gananatha Minithantri

Year 7

Daniel Cordas

P & C AWARDS

The P & C Award for Outstanding Contribution to the Senior Concert Band

Zhi Zu

The P & C Literary Writing Competition – Junior Non-Fiction

Marcell Rozsa

The P & C Literary Writing Competition – Junior Poetry

Anshul Jain

The P & C Literary Writing Competition – Junior Prose

Henry Lu

The P & C Literary Writing Competition – Senior Non-Fiction

Alvin Leung

The P & C Literary Writing Competition – Senior Prose

Zid Mancenido

THE ARCH FERGUSON PRIZES

Awarded to sons, grandsons, brothers of Old Boys in Years 8-12 for academic achievements and services to the School. These prizes are sponsored by the Old Boys Union

Year 12	Christopher Andrews
Year 11	David Nam
Year 10	Alex Koerber
Year 9	Eric Ovadia
Year 8	Not Awarded

SYDNEY HIGH CADET UNIT

The Major General James Norrie Memorial Prize

Jack Wachsmann

*Awarded to a member of the cadet unit who demonstrates the highest competency in military skills.
The Australian Defence Leadership and Teamwork Awards*

Year 12	David Vien
Year 11	Alexander Belokopytov
Year 10	Antony Paul
Most Efficient Cadet	Jim Nguyen
Most Efficient Junior NCO	Michael Do
Most Efficient Senior NCO	Aditya Hatle
Colonel Duffy Sword of Honour for Most Efficient CUO (sponsored by the OBU)	Anthony Ho

STUDENT AWARD SCHEME

The Regional Director's Award for Student Participation

Alexander Belokopytov,

Muhammed Mehmedbasic, Matthew Coutts, Edwin Montoya Zorrilla, Patrick Desmond, Ishan Nadkarni, Anthony Ho, Varan Perananthan, Shreyas Iyer, Alex Shapilsky, Nicholas Lochner, Ashwin Thomas, Zid Mancenido, David Vien

Student Award Scheme – The School Trophy

Razeen Ahmed, Muhammed Mehmedbasic,

Michael Bock, Kiril Mickovski, Yiming Cao, Edwin Montoya Zorrilla, Daniel Chim Peter Nguyen, Jason Cohn, William Nguyen, Mihir Desai, Matthew Rusli, Danny Fu Nevin Spoljaric, Ziggy Harrison-Tikisci, Kogulan Sriranjana, Anthony Ho, Denis Stojanovic Richard Hua, Lachlan Street, Jeremy Ireland, Stuart Sugito, Kartik Iyer, Marco Sun, Shreyas Iyer Yu (Tom) Sun, Remy Ji, Lucian Tan, Timothy Joo, Alistair Taylor, Albert Kim, Ashwin Thomas Nathan Lieu, Simon Ting, Simon Liu, Gary Truong, Daniel Lo, Arthur Wang, Patrick Locke, Thomas Wilson, Mark Lucchitti, Phil Wu, Zid Mancenido, Alex Yeung, Calum Martin, Timothy Yu

Student Award Scheme – The School Plaque

Cary Cheung, Lachlan Street, Bernard Fang
Caly Yang, Kevin Lam, Simin Yang, Ricky Ratnayake

SPORTING AWARDS

The A C McKibbin Memorial Trophy

Karan Rao

*For all round excellence in the sport of cricket.
This award is given in honour of the Father of an Old Boy of the School.*

The 'Doc' Bentivoglio Memorial Prize

George Denny-Smith
Anthony Chung

To a member of the Junior School for outstanding performance and sportsmanship in Rugby and Rowing.

The A M Eedy Cup for 100m Athletics Champion

Kogulan Sriranjana

The Alan Kippax Trophy for Rugby

Joshua Hui

Awarded to the most outstanding player in the First XV.

The Claude Tressider Trophy for 100m Breaststroke

Darren Ho

The David Brunton Gibb Prize for Soccer

Daniel Campion

Awarded to the best and fairest First XI Football player.

The Frank Albert Cup for Senior Athletics Champion

Michael Denny-Smith

Awarded to the senior athletics champion

The GPS of NSW OBU Council Prize

David Vien

*Awarded to the student who best exemplifies the qualities of fellowship, commitment
and service to GPS sport, in terms of either coaching, managing and/or refereeing.*

The John Skyring Cross Memorial Cup for Outstanding Sportsmanship

Michael Denny-Smith

To the boy who has displayed the best sportsmanship throughout the year in connection with GPS activities.

The McArthur Memorial Cup for 1500 Athletics Champion

Ronan Casey

The Peter Cady Trophy for Rowing

Daniel O'Keefe

The Warrick Segal Memorial Prize for Sportsmanship and Fellowship

Lachlan Street

Awarded to the Captain of the First XI Football team

The William Soothill Memorial Trophy for Basketball

Stuart Sugito

The Rifle Club Championship Cup

Ishan Nadkarni

The SGHS Cup for Games and Sportsmanship

Kogulan Sriranjana

To the best all round sportsman of Sydney Boys High School.

The Sir Roden Cutler Prize for Sportsmanship, Leadership and Commitment to Rifle Shooting

Ishan Nadkarni

The Tom Rushall Prize for Participation and Service to Sport

Robert Chen

For participation in and service to sport

The UNSW Cricket Club Batting Award

Karan Rao

The W W Ivo Wyatt Memorial Trophy for Senior Swimming

Darren Ho

Most Improved Rower

Christopher Andrews

Outstanding Contribution to Rowing

Robert Chen

Special Cricket Trophy for Fielding

Dasith Vithanage

CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONS

Open	Shiva Sheth	14 years	Pasan Pannila
17 years	Edwin Montoya Zorrilla	13 years	Arjun Punekar
16 years	Jeremy Ireland	12 years	Anton Brokman
15 years	Samuel Lane		

ATHLETICS CHAMPIONS

16 years	Maximillian Kite	13 years	Patrick Krakovsky
15 years	Christopher Morrow	12 years	Dominic Mah
14 years	Prashan Prabakaran		

SWIMMING CHAMPIONS

16 years	Harry Zhuang	13 years	Patrick Zhou
15 years	Jonah Petrie	12 years	Dominic Mah
14 years	Max Chien		

The G C Saxby Shield for House Competition

Eedy

SPORTS BLUES

Athletics

Ronan Casey
Michael Denny-Smith
Dinghua Xiao

Basketball

Sam Higgins
Spencer Llewellyn

Cross Country

Ronan Casey

Football

Daniel Campion

Rifle Shooting

Ishan Nadkarni
Matthew Tong

Rowing

Daniel O'Keefe

Volleyball

Stephen Dong



ANZAC Day

At dawn on the morning of the 25th April 1915, soldiers of the Australian and New Zealand Army Corp went ashore on the Gallipoli Peninsula in Turkey. Their personal courage and selfless bravery have become part of our Australian self belief.

The day of their landing has become a National day to remember the sacrifice of all Australians who risked and gave their lives in war, for the freedoms and nationhood we enjoy today.

On that first 25th April, newly trained, young Australians who six months prior had been living peaceful civilian lives, landed on an unknown shore, to attack an enemy from the other side of the world.

Instead of finding the flat beach they expected, the ANZACs were confronted with almost perpendicular cliffs and constant barrages of enemy fire and shelling. As the bullets rained down upon their boats, the ANZACs rose to the occasion not waiting for orders, and jumped into the sea, to rush the enemy's trenches in spite of the danger. The men did not wait to be hit, but wherever they landed, they simply rushed straight up the steep slopes to inevitable, relentless shrapnel fire.

Around 20,000 soldiers landed on the beach over the next two days. They faced a well organized, well armed, large Turkish force determined to defend their country.

Fighting on Gallipoli settled into a stalemate. The ANZACs and the Turks dug in and pinned down each other's forces with sniper fire and shelling. Thousands of Australian and New Zealand men died in the hours and days that followed that first landing. The surviving diggers hung on, waiting for reinforcements. The stalemate ended in retreat with the evacuation of the ANZACs on 20 December 1915. By then, 8,141 had been killed or died of wounds and more than 18,000 had been wounded.

This show of amazing selflessness and bravery are the virtues that we now recognise as the ANZAC spirit - courage and endurance amongst death and despair, and perseverance against unsuccessful strategies. War correspondents, such as Charles Bean, hailed the Australians for their dash in attack and doggedness in defence.

Gallipoli is not a legend of sweeping military victories, but of triumphs against the odds, of

courage and ingenuity in adversity. It is a legend of free and independent spirits with unshakeable bonds of mateship.

Mateship was one of the most powerful strengths of the ANZAC. Their belief of all for one and one for all is one of the reasons the Australians were able to face the hardships so well. Every man was ready to take a bullet for his mate and on many occasions they needed to.

In the First World War, Australia had the highest volunteer rate per capita of any country. This shows the Australian attitude of putting your hand up and going with your mates to do what is needed, regardless of risk.

The hardships that the ANZACs and all Australian soldiers since, have suffered, are unimaginable to us. We cannot envisage the pain and adversity they endured to give us the freedom we have today. These men deserve our utmost respect and their memory honoured.

The ANZAC legend and spirit gives us a deeper understanding of what it means to be Australian – a heritage of personal courage and initiative, of daring and determination in the face of overwhelming odds. A heritage that demands that each of us decide to do what is right regardless of how hard this may be.

Tom Connolly

On Anzac Day every year we stop to remember those who gave their lives in the hope that it would keep their families and friends, and the land they called home, safe. We remember the ANZACs who, on the 25th of April in 1915, disembarked from their vessels along the Turkish shoreline and surged forwards under a rain of fire from the Turkish forces. We remember their drawn-out and ultimately unsuccessful campaign. But what makes the ANZACs worth remembering is not success or failure. It is their courage, and the self-sacrifices they made. It is not everybody who is willing to die for a cause that they believe is just.

We also remember that, over the eight-month-long campaign, there were 26,111 Australian casualties, and 8,141 Australian soldiers met their deaths. In the whole Gallipoli campaign, on all sides there were around 535,000 casualties and around 125,000



deaths. These figures are from a campaign which is considered by many to have had no effect on the outcome of the First World War. Furthermore, the men behind these figures were men we consider worthy of honouring annually, even today, nearly 94 years after their landing at Anzac Cove. These are men we consider to be of admirable character. Besides these hundreds of thousands of men who were physically maimed at Gallipoli, there were hundreds of thousands whose bodies survived. But even some of these men were at a loss as to how they could cope with the mental torment their memories of Gallipoli provided.

And each of these men had families to come home to, still more thousands of people who were affected by the Gallipoli campaign. Many families, indeed, had members who did not come home.

While ANZAC Day is intended as a memorial to the ANZACs, neither should we forget the hundreds of thousands of soldiers who have fought in other conflicts, and faced similar obstacles. If we are to hold up the ANZAC soldier as an example of bravery



and self-sacrifice, we should recognise those other men and women who have upheld this example.

We must remember on Anzac Day not only the tragic loss of so many young, potentially great lives. We must remember the tragic waste of life that it is in the nature of war to bring about. We must remember not only the courage of the ANZACs, and their willingness to sacrifice their lives for greater causes. We must remember the lessons the Gallipoli campaign has taught us. We must not forget that war, this great offering of young lives, is something we must always strive to rid ourselves of. In memory of the ANZACs, we must do our best to ensure that today's young Australians, and indeed people anywhere in the world, need not go through the ordeals the ANZACs did.

Josh Sutton

War is too often thought of in a big picture context. Usually we place the focus on the statistics in history books. But there is more to war than just that. Behind every battle fought, every loss suffered and every victory achieved, were people. Ordinary people just like us in this hall, who loved their country and its people enough to fight to defend it, even if it meant facing the worst of consequences.

ANZAC day is about remembering these people. Remembering that every army, navy and air force was made up of individuals, each with their own thoughts, memories, friends and family.

There is something very valuable in remembering each individual. We will probably never forget the battles, the treaties, or the conditions of war. But if we're not careful, if we don't engage with each veteran about their experiences, we are at risk of losing the memories of each individual, something we could never get back.

Ask any veteran to talk to you about the war they fought in, and they'll almost certainly tell you personal stories before they tell you dates and statistics about the war. They'll tell stories about the trip from home to war and back, about the friends they made, and about the adversity they and their friends got through together. And they'll tell you about these things – their memories and their friends - because that's what's most important to them.

During the Korean War, a soldier named Mo Gwyther fought for Australia alongside his mates.

He arrived in Korea in September 1950 and saw action immediately. However, during a Chinese offensive in April 1951, his company, positioned at Kapyong, came under heavy fire. Mo Gwyther was one of three Australians captured and taken to a prisoner of war camp. Their captors had tried to convert them to communism, but, in Mo Gwyther's words, "not one Australian fell for this stuff".

Each prisoner stuck together. Every man knew that they had their friends with them on their side. It was with this reassurance, with this motivation that they were able to resist not only attempted conversions, but also the harsh treatment they received as they battled low rations, beatings, confinement, and disease. Had each man been alone, without the support of their friends, it's questionable whether Mo Gwyther or any other man would have made it through those camps the way they did.

That's just one story of one man, but for all the other individuals who fought, there are many more stories.

It's these personal stories that give us the real image of war, allowing us to understand what it was really like. More importantly, it gives war a personal face, reminding us that each war was fought by individuals; individuals just like us, and that they're not as far away as we sometimes think.

Antony Paul

ANZAC Day is a day to commemorate those that have gone to war in defence of our freedom, ideals and our nation. In particular it is a day to pay our respects to those who never returned. However, today let us not only remember our brave soldiers but also let us take a moment to reflect upon the experience of those they left behind and the greater impact of war.

For every Australian soldier sent to war there was and still is a family left behind. A family who gave up their loved one knowing they may never see them again. A family who must endure the uncertainty, praying they would not be the one to receive that dreaded telegram.

Those that did receive this telegram live with the painful knowledge that their loved one died in a foreign field, in pain, discomfort and without his family.

Those who did not receive the telegram instead, welcome home a changed man. Although not all



men who returned from war were physically changed, almost all are never the same...

Even today the impact of the World Wars can be felt, along with other conflicts since. Many students in this very hall are without a grandfather due to the World Wars. Families today are still facing the same problems faced by those during world wars. Many are faced with uncertainty while their loved ones serve in Iraq or Afghanistan while others must face the sad fact that they will never see their husband, father or son again. Some children, such as those of SGT Brett Till the 10th and most recent Australian soldier to die in Afghanistan, will now grow up not knowing their father.

So although those left at home may not have faced the horrors of war, or seen men die they still feel the effects of war and are still greatly impacted. So let us spend just a moment today to reflect upon the impact that war has upon those that the soldiers leave behind.

Jack Wachsmann

Remembrance Day 11 November 2008

At 11am on this day in 1918 – the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month – the Western Front fell silent, and the bloodiest war in history was over with the signing of an armistice. This first modern world conflict had brought about the mobilisation of over 70 million people and left between 9 and 13 million dead. Today – Remembrance Day – is a day we set aside to honor those 416,000 Australians who volunteered their services for their country during World War I, and the 60,000 who lost their lives on foreign soil because of this act of courage.

However, the 11th of November is not a day of mourning. It is a day of praise in which we should celebrate what was gained by those brave men and women who served and died for our liberty. Remembrance Day has evolved somewhat since its inception, from a day focused on marking the sacrifices made by Australians in WWI, to a day that is now concerned with remembering all those who have suffered whilst serving Australia in war – both World Wars, Korea, Vietnam, the Gulf War, in peacekeeping missions in East Timor, and more recently the war on Terrorism.

We meet here today, on the 90th anniversary of the armistice of World War One, not to glorify war, but to thank all those Australians who have fought for our country throughout its history so that every single one of us can stand here as students and say that we have no personal experience of war; no way of truly knowing the anguish of having our loved

ones swept away to fight in a World War, unsure whether the separation would become permanent.

However it is not just what they have gained for us as individuals that we thank them for; we must also thank them for what they have given to us as a society – an identity. Their presence at World War One was not defined by military victories, but by triumphs against the odds, of courage and of a patriotic spirit that has become synonymous with Australians ever since; with their legacy being that of our nation's freedom. Thus, we respect these men and women for what they have gained for us and for Australia, whilst sparing a thought for those they left behind. It is important that we use today as both a dedication to such men and women, as well as a renewal of our pledge to remember them forevermore.

This is why when former Prime Minister Paul Keating came out and rejected Australia's Gallipoli identity last month, he was met with utter disgust from the current Prime Minister as well as the thousands of Australians who felt strongly enough about it to vote in various newspaper polls about it and send in their support for Australia's war heroes.

And it is incredible to think that over 2400 years ago, Athenian statesman Pericles was delivering an oration celebrating much the same thing – his fellow countrymen's efforts to defend their freedom, stating: *"Each has won a glorious grave - not that sepulchre of earth wherein they lie, but the living*





tomb of everlasting remembrance wherein their glory is enshrined. For the whole earth is the sepulchre of heroes. Take these men for your example. Like them, remember that prosperity can be only for the free, that freedom is the sure possession of those alone who have the courage to defend it"

To parallel this with reference to our modern war heroes, I quote Daniel Webster: *"Although no sculptured marble should rise to their memory, nor engraved stone bear record of their deeds, yet will their remembrance be as lasting as the land they honored"*

And so, it is up to us – not as our duty, but as our privilege – to remember and honor those brave men and women who lost their lives so that we, and future generations, could experience the joys of freedom and fearlessness. We will remember them for their courage. We will remember them for their spirit. We will remember them for their sacrifice and their loss. But most of all, we will remember them for their gain. Lest we forget.

Sam Burnham

Good morning all and welcome to today's Remembrance Day Service. It is on the 11th day of the 11th month of each year that we commemorate the sacrifice of soldiers and civilians during times of war. With respect to this observance, the flag in the junior quadrangle has been lowered to half-mast, such that we may pay tribute to those who have suffered for the betterment of the nation. As a means to understand the sacrifice of such soldiers, we will now hear readings of various war poems by three members of the senior school.

First Jason Nguyen, will be reading the Rupert Brooke poem 'The Soldier'. Written as World War One broke out in 1914, 'The Soldier' deals with the sacrifices, accomplishments, and ultimately the death of a soldier fighting patriotically for his homeland.

Then, Jack Wachsmann will be reading 'In Flanders Fields', a poem penned by Lieutenant Colonel John McRae in 1915, after he witnessed the death of a friend in Flanders Fields. The poem pays tribute to the allied troops who gave their lives for the British Empire during WWI, and it highlights the importance of poppies as a symbol of remembrance.

The final reading will be by Nelson Ridges, who will recite the Kenneth Slessor poem 'Beach Burial'. Kenneth Slessor was an Australian war correspondent during WWII, and his famed poem 'Beach Burial' pays tribute to Australian troops who fought during WWII.

I now invite year 12 student Sam Burnham to make today's main address. He will be speaking on the meaning of Remembrance Day, illustrating *what it is we remember, why we remember, and perhaps most importantly, who we are remembering.*

The following portion of this service allows us to pay our tributes to those soldiers and civilians whom we remember.

I invite the assembly to stand as Clive Chen will now recite 'The Ode', Sergeant Denis Stojanovic will then direct the cadets to face to the west, with which the school will then follow. Patrick Horton will be playing the Last Post, following this, we will observe a minute's silence, after which Patrick Horton will then play The Rouse.

The cadets, led by Sergeants Denis Stojanovic and Johan Santoso, will now march to the school's flag post and raise the flag to full mast, thus bringing to a close today's Remembrance Day service.

Pat Desmond



Salvete

The following boys have joined the school since the end of 2008.

Class 7E

CHAN Jeremy Chun Yan, CHEN Alan, CHEN Calvin, CHENG Shen, CHONG Kevin Hao, DAO Andrew, DE FONSEKA Gampalage Lasith Kau, DU William, HOU Bowrun, HU Yiran, IP Ronald Long Ting, KONG Nathan Ben, LE Jason, LIU Geoffrey, LIU Samuel, LOI Allan, QIN Gordon, SHAO Daniel Yi Jie, SHI Allan Hong Lun, SHI Charlie, SUN Derek Yuan, TAN Willars, TANG Xiao Jie, TRAN Anthony Thanh, ZHANG Andrew, ZHANG Jason, ZHANG Matthew, ZHANG Wen Jun Daniel, ZHENG Glanden Qi, ZHOU Willie.

Class 7F

ALI Abdulrahman, ANSON Edward James James, CAO Andrew Alun, CHEN Burton, CHEN Byron, CHENG Ray, CHEUNG Andrew, COOPER Jesse John, FARRUGIA George Charles, GALLAGHER Samuel Junjie, GAO Pinyan, GARRETT Jason David, HANCOX Brendan Yuguo, HUGHES Michael David Brooks, HUO James, JI Hong Gang Hawk, LI David Jiayi, LIU Andrew Ilin, LU Waylon, MA Jeramy, MAN Yu Peng, NORONHA Shawn Michael, SALEH Soloman, SETHI Sunchit, STEPHENS Peter Anthony, SUBRAMANIAN Siddharth, TAYEH Andrew, WANG Christopher Ze Ming, WARING Jens Matthew, YU Jacky Yuchun.

Class 7M

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Class 7R

ARULMURUGAN Rakulan, CHEN Toby, CHOI Yun Hwan, CHUNG Steven, COMNINOS Steve George, FONG Terry, FREIBERG Jonathan Riley, FUNG Michael, GUAN Brendan Haoyu, GUO Robert Lee Yu Chuan, IRWIN Riley Tian Li, KWON Yohan John, LALEE Mesbaah Ali, LEE Eugene, LEE Lokgei, LEO Joshua Soong Ren, LIN Samuel, LONG Yu Ning Oliver, MA Jemy, NAGARAJ Sagar, NG Yan Ting Justin, SUNDERASAN Karthik, TRAN Dan Khoi, WANG-LY Nathan, WU Ming Hao, XIE Bevan, XU Harrison, YANG William Ziwei, ZHANG Kevin, ZHOU William.

Class 7S

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Class 7T

CHEN Allen, CHIN Ricky Chung-Tak, EVANS David Michael, FANG Daniel, FENG Shao Jie, GILL LEE Jet, HE Jun Hao Andrew, HUANG Jackson Ze-Can, HUYNH Brandon, KONG Brendan Derry, KWOK Gideon Manhin, LAM Philip Fung, LEE Young Jae, LI Darren Kitajima, LI Richard, LU Kevin Jia Yu, LY Randy Duy Bao, PHAM Samuel Ducquy, RONG Andrew Jia Liang, SHI Andrew, SIM Perry, THAI Brandon, VIMALANATHAN Sai Midhushaan, WONG Aaron Wei Kit, XING Alfred, YI Rex Sung-yoon, YU Eric, YU Michael Zhiming, ZHAO Jeffrey.

Year 8

ANGELL Braden, METCALF Ivor, VYAS Khushaal, XU Eric.

Year 9

ANDREWS David, BOOTH Adam, CULLEN Mitchell, DHINGRA Sachin, GARAY Jasper, GHEZELBASH David, ISKANDAR Mark, JONES Daniel, LEE Oscar, McDONALD Matthew, McGLENCHEY Blake, MOFFAT Jesse, MOLLER Craig, NGUYEN Thomas, PERRIS Lloyd, PINIDIYA Winu, SAMARASINGHE Gamitha, SCHWARZ Michail, SIVAYOGARAYAN Saieeshan, SMITH Daniel.

Year 10

AMINE Samir, DOBROWOLSKI Jeremy, LIN Anthony, SAITO-PATCH Jordan, SOORIAKUMAR Sivasaran.

Year 11

BISCEVIC Shiraz, DO Daniel, GIM John, KOGAN Boris, LAZAROU Alexander, LE Michael, LEE Ronald, LIN Kai, NGUYEN Phillip, PERRIS Lachlan, PIOUS Dileepan, SUH Joshua, SURENDRAN Arun, TRANG Bach, UDDIN Arif, WONG Chun.

Year 12

LIM Ivan, OUGRA Balraj.



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Abbreviations

ACO: Australian Chemistry Olympiad	ICB: Intermediate Concert Band
AIMO: Australian Intermediate Mathematics Olympiad	ISB: Intermediate Stage Band
AMC: Australian Mathematics Competition	JCB: Junior Concert Band
AMPEC: AMP Economics Competition	JSB: Junior Stage Band
APO: Australian Physics Olympiad	MCYA: Mathematics Challenge for Young Australians
ASCSC: Australian Schools Computer Studies Competition	MCS: Maths Challenge Stage
ASEC: Australian Schools English Competition	NCQ: National Chemistry Quiz
ASMC: Australian Schools Maths Competition	SCB: Senior Concert Band
ASSC: Australian Schools Science Competition	SRC: Student Representative Council (School Union)
ASWC: Australian Schools Writing Competition	SSB: Senior Stage Band
BSC: Business Studies Competition	SWE: Symphonic Wind Ensemble
D: Distinction	TCB: Training Concert Band
GC: Geography Competition	UNSWMC: UNSW Maths Competition
HD: High Distinction	YA: Young Achievers

AHMED Razeen: SRC (08); Charities Committee (06-08); Sydney Boys High Cadet Unit (04-06); Recycling Committee (04-08); Intermediate Concert Band (04-06); Jazz Band (05-06); Fast and Fresh Drama Team (06); Debating (04-06); School Trophy (08); School Plaque (07); Special Award (06); Silver Award (05); Bronze Award (04); AMC (D 04-08); ICAS Geography (HD 04-07); BSC (D 06); NCQ; (D 05); 1st XI Bowling Award (09); Most Valuable Player Cheltenham College U.K. Australian Tour (08); 15As Fielding Award (06); 14As Fielding Fielding Award (05); 13 As Fielding Award (04); Cricket (04-09); 2nd XI (06-07); 1st XI (07-09), Combined Australian Highs Cricket Representative (08) Australian Five Highs Carnival Adelaide(08); Football Captain (04-09); 2nd Grade Rifle Shooting (07); Zone and Regional Cross Country (04) Daffodil Day (08); Sir Roden Cutler Charities (08); Jeans for Genes Day (08).

ALAM Aqeeb: Charity Committee (08); ICB (05-06); Debating (05); Bronze Medallion; Silver Medallion; ICAS – Science (D 04, 05, 06); ICAS – English (D 06); ICAS – Writing (D 07); ICAS – Computer Skills (D 05-06); PwC Australian Economic Competition (HD 08); Cricket (04-07); Football (05); Rugby (06); OASIS; Investigative Journalist

ANG Adrian: AMC (HD 04-05, 09, D 06-07); AMPEC (D 06); ICAS – Writing (D 06); ICAS – English (D 06); ICAS – Computer Studies (D 07); Basketball (04-09); Soccer (04-09); Fundraising for Sir Roden Cutler Charities, Jeans for Genes Day, Daffodil Day; Law or commerce based work.

APOLONIO Bryant: SRC (07) Library Monitor (04-07) Bronze Medal (04); Silver Medal (05); Gold Medal (06); Special Award (07); 1st – Visual Arts (05-09); 1st – English Advanced (08-09); 1st – English Extension 1 (09); 1st – English Extension 2 (09). AMC (HD 05, 07; D 04, 06); NCQ (HD 04; D 05); ICAS – English (04-06); ICAS – Geography (D 05); ICAS – Writing (D 06-08) Cricket (04-08); Soccer (06-08); Sir Roden Cutler Charities (08), OASIS Charities (09); Lawyer, Author.

ASTAFIEV Grigori: Basketball (05-06); Rowing (07); Rugby (04-09); 1st XV (08-09); Ben Smalles Memorial Award (08).

BELOKOPYTOV Alexander: Prefect (09); House Captain (09); Swimming Captain (09); Music Prefect (09); Piano Competition Adjudicator (09) Stage Band (04-07); Concert Band (04-07) 'The Phillip Day Memorial Scholarship' (08); 'Australian Defence Force Leadership and Teamwork (Long Tan) Award' (08); 'Regional Director's Award for School Participation' (08); School Trophy (07); 'Doc Bentivoglio Memorial Prize' (07); AMC (HD 09, D 04-8); AFLA (HD 06); NCQ (HD 06-07); ACER German (HD 07-08); CHS Rowing Medals (05-09); Da Vinci Decathlon-Bronze Medal (07); Multiple Laureate – Macarthur, Inner Western, Ryde and Macdonald's Performing Arts Eistedfodds (04-09) Rugby (04-09); Rugby Captain 13A, 14A, 15A; 1st XV (08-09); Rowing (04-09); 2nd VIII (08-09); Swimming (04-09); Swimming Captain (09); CHS State Representative; Sir Roden Cutler Charities; Oasis – Youth Off the Streets; Investment Banker.

BROWN Alasdair: Prefect (09); Prefect of Cricket (09); Peer Support Leader (07); SBHS Symphony Orchestra (04-07); GPS Symphony Orchestra (05-07); Performing Arts Unit Symphony Orchestra (05-08); World Youth Olympics Opening Ceremony Orchestra (09); 1977 Class of Year 12 Prize for Excellence (08); UNSW – English (D 04); UNSW – Science (D 04- 05); UNSW – Computing Skills (D 05-07); UNSW – Financial Literacy (D 06); AMC (D 06); Australian Geography Competition (D 06) Cricket (04-09) 2nd XI (06/07) 1st XI (07-09); Soccer (06-09) 2nd XI (08) 1st XI (09); CHS Cross Country (04-09) Zone (04-09) Regional (04-06, 08-09) State (04,09) School Team placed 2nd at All Schools (09); GPS Athletics (04, 05, 08-09); CHS Athletics (04-09) Zone (04-09) Regional (04,09) State (04); Sydney Junior Hockey Representative (04-09) CHS Hockey Team (08,09); Sir Roden Cutler Charity (07); Oasis (09); Physiotherapist or Sports Journalist

BROWN Lachlan: Peer Support Leader (07); Cadet Unit (04-05); Library Committee (05); Vocal Ensemble (04); JSB (04); ICB (04); Year 8 Ensemble (05); SCB (06-09); SSB (06-09); GPS Concert Band (05); GPS Orchestra (07); Combined Selective Schools Orchestra (08); Marching Band (06-10); ANZAC Day France Tour (10); School Plaque (08); First in Music 1 (08); First in Studies of Religion (08); ICAS – English (D 05-06); ICAS – Science (D 05-07); National Geographic Channel Australian Geography Competition (HD 05-06); 13C Cricket Bowling Award (04); 14B Cricket Bowling Aggregate (04-05); Best Musician Vocal Ensemble (04); Commitment Award Year 8 Ensemble (05); Commitment Award SSB (06-07); Best Musician Senior Percussion Ensemble (07); All Rounder Award (07); All Rounder Award (08); Music Pocket; Cricket (04-09) Manager/Scorer 2nd XI (07-08) 1st XI (08-09); Barberis Cup winning team (06); Rugby (05-08); Fundraising for Sir Roden Cutler Charities; 40 Hour Famine.

BURNHAM Sam: Prefect (09); Peer Support Leader (07); First Modern History (08, 09); First Ancient History (09); First Studies of Religion II (09); Bronze Medallion (04); Silver Medallion (06); Gold Medallion (07); Platinum Award (08); School Trophy (09); BSC (Prize 08); NCQ (HD 04); ICAS – English (D 04-09); ICAS – Science (D 04, 05); ICAS – Computer Studies (D 04-06); ICAS – Financial Literacy (D 06); AMC (D 04, 06); 2nd Grade Football Player of the Year (09); 6th Grade Basketball MVP (08); Football (04-09), 2nd Grade (07-09), 1st Grade (09), Vice-Captain 2nd Grade (09); Basketball (04, 07-09); Tennis (05-07); GPS Athletics Team (09); Cross Country Zone Representative (06); Sir Roden Cutler Charities (08, 09); Oasis Charity Collection (09).

BURSTON Timothy: Peer Mediator (08); Chamber Choir (04-07); JCB (04); ICB (05-06); Bronze Medallion; Silver Medallion; Gold Medallion; Platinum Medallion; First Music (05); First Drama (07); First Modern History (07); First Ancient History (08); ICAS – English (HD 07, D 04, 05, 06, 08); ICAS – Science (HD 07, D 04, 05, 06, 08); ICAS – Computer Studies (D 06); ICAS – Writing (D 06); NCQ (HD 04, D 06); AMC (D 07); Cricket (04-05); Sailing (05-08); Sir Roden Cutler Charity Fundraiser.

CAO Yiming: Debating (04-06); P&C Prize for 2nd (08), P&C Prize for 3rd (06), Mathematics (07); School Plaque (07); School Trophy (08); AIMO (HD 07, D 06); AMC (Prize 05, HD 04, 06, 08-09, D 07); ICAS – Writing (D 05); ICAS – Science (HD 04, 08); ICAS – English (D 06); ICAS – Computer (D 05-06); Australian Geography Competition (D 07); MCS (HD 06-07); Maths Enrichment Stage (HD 07); NCO (HD 05, D 06-08); UNSWMC (Prize 07, 09); Rifle Shooting (04); Fencing (05-06); Volleyball (06); Tennis (07-09); Fundraising for Jeans for Genes Day, Sir Roden Cutler Drive, Legacy Day; Doctor.

CHAN Abraham: Cadet Unit (04-07); ICB (05); ISB (05); SCB (06-07); Symphony Orchestra (06-07); ICAS – Science (HD 04, D 05-09); ICAS – English (HD 04-07, D 08); ICAS – Writing (D 06); ICAS – Computer Studies (HD 05 & 07, D 06); ICAS – Financial Literacy (HD 06); Basketball (04-06); Football (04-06); 2nd Grade Rifle Shooting (08-09); Jeans for Genes Day; OASIS; Sir Roden Cutler Charities; Software Engineer.

CHAN Jarrod: Prefect (09); Peer Support Leader (07); First Ancient History (08); Platinum Medallion; ICAS – Writing (Medal 08, D 06); PWC – Business Studies (HD 08); ICAS – Computer Studies (HD 07, D 06); ICAS – English (D 04-06); ICAS – Science (D 04); Financial Literacy (D 06); Football (05-09) 2nd XI (08) 1st XI (09); Tennis (05-07) Co-Captain 15Ds (05); Basketball (07-09) GPS Premiers (08-09); Fundraising for Sir Roden Cutler Charity (08); Sir Roden Cutler Charity Walk (09); Jeans for Genes Day; Advertising.

CHAN Matthew: Peer Support Leader (07); ICB (04-05); ISB (05-06); School Plaque (08); AMC (D 04-05); NCQ (D 04); ICAS (D 05-06); BSC (D 08); Basketball (04-09); Volleyball (04-08); Soccer (09); Roden Cutler Charity (08); Legacy Day Charity (09); Economist.

- CHAN Michael:** Peer Support Leader (06); Rifle Shooting (08-09); NCQ(D 04); AMC (D 04 HD 08); Australian Geography Competition (D 05); ICAS-Science (D 06-08); ICAS-Computer Studies(D 06); ICAS-Australian Financial Literacy Assessment (D 06); Rifle Shooting (08-09); Volleyball (04-08) Captain (05-08); Sir Roden Cutler Charities(08); Mechatronics engineer.
- CHAN William:** AMC (D 04); ICAS – Writing (D 06); ICAS – English (D 04-05) ICAS – Computer Studies (D 04-06) ICAS – Science (D 06-09) ICAS – Geography (HD 06) NCQ (HD 08) Cricket (04-07) Sir Roden Cutler Day, Oasis Programmer
- CHEN Clement:** Peer Support Leader (07); Vocal Ensemble (04); AMC (HD 05-07, D 04); ICAS – Writing (HD 05, D 07); ICAS – English (D 06); ICAS – Computer Skills (D 04-06); ICAS – Science (D 04-08); NCQ (HD 08, D 06-07); Australian Financial Literacy Assessment (HD 06); National Geographic Geography Competition (HD 05-06); Volleyball (05-06); Legacy Day (07-08); Roden Cutler Charities (08); Daffodil Day (08); Jeans for Genes Day (08); Oasis (09); Mechanical Engineer.
- CHEN Jack:** Library Monitor (05, 08); Gardening (05); Debating (05); First Science (05); Bronze Medallion (08); Silver Medallion (08); AMC (HD 05, D 04, 06-07); AIMO (HD 06, D 07); NCQ (HD 04, D 06); Australian Financial Literacy Assessment (HD 06); Australian Geography Competition (D 06-07); ICAS – Science (D 04-06 & 08-09); ICAS – Computer Skills (D 06); Basketball (04-07); Soccer (04-06); SRCC; Legacy Day; Daffodil Day; Doctor.
- CHEN Jacky:** AMC (HD 09); ICAS – Geography (HD 08); ICAS – Science (HD 05 D 04, 06, 08-09); AMPEC (HD 06); ICAS – English (D 05, 07); ICAS – Writing (D 08); ICAS – Computer Studies (D 06-07) Basketball (04-09); Soccer (04-09) 2nd XI (08-09) Captain 2nd Grade Soccer (09); Athletics (09) Sir Roden Cutler Charities; World's Greatest Shave; Oasis Geotechnical Engineer
- CHEN Simon:** (2008-2009): Amnesty International; National Geographic Australian Geography Competition (HD 06 & 07, D 09); Australian Economics Competition (08); NCQ (HD 07); ICAS – Science (HD 07, D 08, 09); Australian Financial Literacy Assessment (HD 06); AMC (06 & 07, 09); ICAS – Computer Studies (07); NSW Geography Competition (D 06); Tennis (08); Soccer (08-09); Public Servant (Government Policy).
- CHENG Simon:** First Maths (04); First Maths 2U Acc (08); NCQ (Prize 04; HD 07-08; D 06); AMC (HD 04, 06, 08; D 05, 07); MCYA; MCS (HD 06-07, D 05); ICAS – Science (HD 04, 08; D 05, 06); ICAS – Computer (D 05-07); ICAS – Writing (D 08); BSC (HD 08; D 07); Cricket (04, 05); Fundraising for Jeans for Genes Day; Roden Cutler Charities; Actuary.
- CHIN Stanley:** ICAS – Geography (HD 07); ICAS – Computer Studies (D 04); ICAS – Science (D 04,05); ICAS – Writing (D 05,07); AMC (D 04-07): Basketball (2009); Soccer (04-09); Oasis; Lifeline Bookfair ; Sir Roden Cutler Charity; Lak Saviya; Jeans for Genes Day ; World's Greatest Shave; Blood Drive; Medicine.
- CHOUDHURY Tasneem:** Peer Support Leader (07); Peer Mediator (08); Prefect (09) Debating (04-09) Platinum Award (08) AMC (D 08); ICAS – Financial Literacy (HD 06); National Geographic Geography Competition (HD 06); ICAS – English (D 04-07); Australian National Chemistry Quiz (D 07); ICAS – Computer Skills (D 05, 07) Batting Aggregate (04); Bowling Aggregate (07, 09); Team Award (08) Cricket (04-09); Captain 16B's Cricket (07), Captain 5th XI Cricket (09); Fencing (04-05) OASIS; Sir Roden Cutler Charity; Surgeon.
- CHOW Justin:** Prefect (09); Peer Support Leader (07) Symphony Orchestra (04-06); Senior String Ensemble (06); ICB (04-05); SCB (06-07); Year 7 Ensemble (04); Year 8 Ensemble (05); Anzac Day Marching Band (05); GPS Symphony Orchestra (06); Italy Music Tour (05) AMC (HD 06; D 05); National Geographic Australian Geography Competition (HD 07; D 06); NCQ (HD 08); ICAS – Science (D 04-05); ICAS – Computer Studies (D 04-05); UNSW Australian Financial Literacy Assessment (D 06); Basketball (04-09) 1st Grade Basketball (05-09) Captain 1st Grade Basketball (09); Soccer (04); Rugby (05-08); Athletics (06-09); CHS State Athletics (07-09); Rowing (04-05) Sir Roden Cutler; OASIS; Commerce.
- CLUNE Addison:** AMC (HD 07-08, D 04-05); NCQ (D 08); ICAS – Science (D 07) Fencing (04-09); 2nd Grade Fencing (06-07), 1st Grade Fencing (08-09) Legacy; Sir Rodan Cutler Charities
- COSMAN George:** C W Wicks Prize for Physics (08); AMC (HD 09; D 04-05, 08); NCQ (HD 08; D 05, 07); ICAS – Science (D 04-08); ICAS – Computer Studies (D 05-07); ICAS – Geography (HD 07); ICAS – Financial Literacy (D 06); Tennis (04, 06-08); Soccer (04, 08); Volleyball (05-07); Rifle Shooting (05); Sir Roden Cutler Charities (08); Oasis – Youth off the Streets (09); Doctor.

DESMOND Patrick: School Captain (09); Peer Mediator (08); Student Mentor (08); SRC (2004, 2007-08); Gardening Club (04-05); Intermediate Concert Band (04-06); Junior Stage Band (04-05); Training Concert Band (04); Symphony Orchestra (05-06); Debating (05); The Arch Ferguson Prize (07); Regional Directores Prize for Student Participation (08); School Trophy (07); School Plaque (06); NCQ (Award of Excellence 04, HD 04-05; D 06); AMC (D 04-06); ICAS – English (D 07); ICAS – Writing (D 05-06, 08); ICAS – Science (D 04-05, 07); ICAS – Computer (HD 07), ICAS – Finance (HD 06); National Geographic Quiz (HD 04-06); Da Vinci Decathlon (05-07, 3rd 07); ABW (06) CHS Gold Medal for Rowing (07-08); CHS Silver Medal for Rowing (07-08); Eedy House Badge (07); Sailing (04); Rowing (05-09); Coxswain 1st VIII (07-09); Member of 1st VIII Crew for Australian Championships to Nagambie (07), SIRC (08); Football (04-09) Captain 14B/15B/16B/ 5th Grade/4th Grade (05-09); Premiers – 5th Grade (08); Football Referee (07-09); Football 1st Grade Coach Assistant (09); Sir Roden Cutler Charities; OASIS; Father Riley's Youth Off the Streets; Lak Saviya Foundation.

DIEP Benjamin: Corporal SHSCU (2005-06), Company Quarter Master Sergeant SHSCU (2006) Cadet Unit (04-06) AGC (HD 05 & 07), ICAS – Computer Skills (D 04), ICAS – Science (D 05-06), AFLA (D 06), NCQ (07), AMC (D 04-06) Player's Player 5th Grade Football 09 Football (04-09), Tennis (04-08) Sir Roden Cutler Charities, OASIS Charities Civil Engineer.

DIMITROPOULOS Nicholas: Prefect (09); Peer Mediator (08); Peer Support Leader (07); JSB (04-05); ICB (04-05); Special (07); First PDHPE (04); AMC (HD 04, D 05 & 08); ICAS – Geography (HD 05); NCQ (D 08); ICAS – Science (D 04); Athletics (04-07); CHS State Cross Country (04); CHS State Athletics (07); Rowing (04-07); Cricket (04), Basketball (08-09); Soccer (09) 1st XI (09) 2nd GPS XI (09).

DINH Matthew: Recycling Committee (08); 'P & C Prize for Third' (07); First Business Studies (08); AMC (HD 08, D 04-05); ICAS – Writing (HD 05, D 06); ICAS – English (D 04-05); ICAS – Geography (05-06); BSC (HD 08); ICAS – Science (04, 06, 08); NCQ (HD 08); Tennis (04-09); Soccer (04-09); Captain 16D's Soccer (07); Captain 6th Grade Soccer (08); Captain 5th Grade Soccer (09); Fundraising for Jeans for Genes Day; Daffodil Day; Sir Roden Cutler Charities; Legacy Day; Oasis; Fighter Pilot.

DONG Stephen: (2005-2009): Sporting Blue Award; AMC (Prize 05, D 04,06), PriceWaterhouseCoopers Australian Schools Business Studies Competition (Prize 08); Sydney High Blue Award, Sydney East Blue award; Basketball (04-09), 1st Grade Basketball (08), 2nd Grade Basketball (07,09), 1st Grade Volleyball (07-09), NSW CHS State volleyball (09), Sydney East volleyball (08-09), Trans-Tasman tour Queensland (08); Roden Cutler Charity, Oasis Charity; Actuary.

DONG Zheng: (2008-2009): AMC (HD 09) ;ICAS-Science (D 08)

ERIKSSON James: Peer Support Leader (07); School Plaque (09); ICAS – Financial Literacy (D 06); ICAS – English (D 07); ICAS – Science (D 07,09); AMC (D 05-08); NCQ (D 07); Rugby (04-09); 1st XV (08-09) Captain 2nd XV (09); Rowing (04-09); 2nd IV (08); 1st IV (09); Captain of IV's (09); Athletics (07); Sir Roden Cutler Charities; Oasis; Chef.

EVANS Christopher: Prefect (09); Peer Mediator (07); JSB (04); ICB (05-06); Debating (04-09) Peter Walker Prize for English (04); Peter Walker Prize for English (07); F A Elgar Prize for Ext English (08); Rugby (04-05); Cricket (04); Rowing (04-07); Cross Country (06-08) Filmmaker; Journalist.

FAN David: The Peter Walker Award for English Literature (08); German (04); AMC (Prize 04; HD 05; D 07); AGC (HD 07); ICAS – Writing (HD 08); ICAS – Computer Studies (HD 04-05; D 06); ICAS – Science (HD 08; D 04, 06-07); ICAS – Financial Literacy (HD 06); MCYA; MCS (HD 07; D 06); NCQ (D 07); Rowing (04-07); Rubgy (06); Sir Roden Cutler Charities; Oasis Charities; Aerospace/Aeronautical Engineer and/or Linguist.

FENG Michael: Peer Support Leader (07); ICAS-Science (D 05, 06); ICAS-Computer Studies (D 07) AMC (HD 07, 08; D 05, 06); ICAS-Geography (HD 07, 08 D 06); NCQ (HD 08 D 04, 07) German (D 07); Basketball (05-09); 2nd Grade Basketball (07-09); Vice-Captain 2nd Grade Basketball (08-09); SBHS Team 1 (06-08);SBHS Team 2 (05); Rugby (06-07); Daffodil Day (08); Jeans For Genes Day (08); Dentist.

FENG Richard: Economics Society AMC (D 04); ICAS – Writing (D 05, 06); ICAS – English (D 05); ICAS – Computer Studies (D 06); ICAS – Science (HD 05, D 06); ICAS – Financial Literacy (D 06); NCQ (D 04) 1st Grade Water Polo (08-09); Cross Country (05); Soccer (04); Tennis (04); Oasis Collections (2009) Real Estate / Strata Property Managing Agent; Commerce-related career.

- GAO Michael:** (2008-2009): NCQ (D 08); ICAS-Science (D 08); Rugby (08) 16A Players' Player; Cricket 2nd XI (08) 1st XI (09); Five Highs (08); Rugby (08); Sir Roden Cutler Charity; Oasis; Scientist.
- GAROFANO Stephen:** Debating Captain (09); Peer Mediator (08). Symphony Orchestra (04-06). Debating (04-09); 2nd Grade 08; 1st Grade 09; CHS Second Grade (09); NSWDU State Squad (09); Winner of the Eastside Debating Competition (05, 09); Winner of the Intermediate UNSW Invitational Debating Tournament (07). History (04, 06). NCQ (HD 04-07); National Geographic Australian Geography Competition (HD2005, 2007); AMC (D 04-05); ICAS – Science (D 04-07); ICAS – English (D 04-07); ICAS – Computer Skills (D 05-06); ICAS – Writing (D 07-08); ICAS – Financial Literacy (D 06). Debater of the Year (05). Sir Roden Cutler Charity (08) Barrister
- GREENSLADE Beau:** Bronze Medallion (04); Debating (04-06); Public Speaking (04-06); Cricket (04); Rowing (05-06); Rugby (04-06); Theatresports (06-08); First Drama (06); First Digital Imaging (08); ICAS- Science (D 04); ICAS- Science (D 05); ICAS- Writing (HD 06); ICAS- Writing (D 08); "Fast and Fresh" (06); Legacy Junior Public Speaking Award regional final (06); Eastside Debating Tournament (undefeated) (05); Sydney High Cadet Unit (04-06)
- HARVEY Thomas:** Peer Support Leader (07); SRC (04) Rowing (04-08); 2nd VIII (08), 1st Year 10 VIII (07), 1st Quad (06), 3rd Quad (05). CHS Champions (08). Rugby (05-07) Sir Roden Cutler VC Charity Day
- HATLE Aditya:** Cadet SNCO (09); Peer Support Leader (07); Library Monitor (04-05, 07); Economics Society (09); Cadet Unit (04-09); ANZAC Day Marching Band (08); Most Efficient SNCO (08); Gold Medallion (08); ICAS- Geography (HD 05-09); NCQ (HD 05, D 07); ICAS- Science (HD 05, D 06-08); ICAS- English (D 04-05); AMC (D 04-05, 07); Cricket (04, 06); Rifle Shooting (04); Athletics Carnival (04-09); Cross-Country Carnival (04-08); Legacy Day (07-08); Sir Roden Cutler Charities (08-09); Aeronautical Engineer.
- HOANG Simon:** Peer Support Leader (07); Symphony Orchestra (03-09); Debating (03-08); Bronze Award (04); Silver Award (05); Gold Award (07); Platinum Award (07); School Plaque (08); School Trophy (09); House Colours (07); AMC (HD 08; D 04-05, 07); NCQ (HD 04; D 05, 08); ICAS – Geography (D 07); ICAS – Writing (D 07); ICAS – Computer Skills (D 04); ICAS – English (D 06-07); ICAS – Financial Literacy (D 06); ICAS – Science (D 04-05); Football (03-09); 2nd Grade Football (09); Tennis (03-09); 1st Grade Tennis (08-09); NSWCHS Regional Sydney East Tennis (09); Sir Roden Cutler; School Parking (04-09).
- HOPKINS Anthony:** Captain of Chess (09); Captain of 2nd XI (08); Captain of interschool chess teams (05-09); Judge at Tournament of Minds (08); Chess Club, Economics Society German Film Production (05-06) History Elective Prize 07; ICAS – English (HD 06-08), ICAS – Writing (HD 06-07), The Australian Economics Competition (HD 06-07) and the GC (HD 04-07). ICAS – English (D 04-05), ICAS – Writing (D 04-05, 08), ICAS – Science (04-06), AMC (04-06), The Australian Economics Competition (08) Cricket (05-09) (Captain of 2nd XI 08), Rugby (04, 07-08); Sir Roden Cutler Charities (08), Oasis (09), Youth off the Streets (07); Barrister.
- HI Desmond:** Library Monitor (05-07); Gardening (05-08); University of NSW School of Economics Prize for First Economics (08); Bronze Medallion (04); Silver Medallion (05); Gold Medallion (06); Special Award (07); School Plaque (08); AMC (HD 04, D 05-09); Australian Geography Competition (HD 05-07); NCQ (HD08, D 04-06); Australian Financial Literacy Assessment (HD 06) ICAS – Science (D 04-06, 09); PwC Australian Economic Competition (D 07-08); PwC Australian Business Studies Competition (D 07); ICAS – Computer Skills (D 05); House Badge (08); Basketball (04-09); 7th Grade Captain (09); Fencing (04-05); Volleyball (06-08); SRCC; Legacy Day; Oasis; Corporate Banker; Corporate Lawyer; Accountant; Economist.
- HIGGINS Sam:** Basketball Blue (2008) 1st Grade Basketball (08-09); GPS 2nd Grade Basketball (08-09); 1st XI Football (08-09); GPS 3rd XI Football (09); GPS Athletics (08-09); CHS Athletics (09) Sir Roden Cutler Charities; PD/H/PE Teacher.
- HU David:** Peer Support (07). AMC (HD 09; D 04-06); NCQ (HD 08); ICAS – Geography (HD 07); ICAS – Science (HD 08; D 05, 09); ICAS – English (D 04); ICAS – Computer Studies (07). Basketball (07); Cross Country (08). Legacy Week; Jeans for Genes Day; Sir Roden Cutler Charities; Doctor
- HUDA Tahmeed:** Recycling Committee (09); AMC (D 04, 05, 08, 09); ICAS – Geography (HD 05 & 07, D 06); ICAS – Science (05 & 06); ICAS – Writing (06); NCQ (08); Tennis (04-08); Soccer (04-08); Sir Roden Cutler Charities; Chartered accountant.

HUYNH Richard: Peer Support (07) JSB (05) ICAS – Science (D 05, 06); ICAS – Writing (D 06); ICAS Computer Studies (HD 05, D 06,07); ICAS – Financial Literacy (D 06) Rifle Shooting (04-05, 09); 2nd Grade Rifle Shooting (09) Network Engineer.

IRELAND Jeremy: Prefect (09); Peer Support Leader (07); High Harriers (06-09); ICB (04); Marching Band (05-06); Year 8 Concert Band (05); Symphony Orchestra (05-06); Combined GPS Symphony Orchestra (06); SCB (06); Peter Walker Prize for English Literature (05); Brian Allsop Memorial Prize (07); SBHS Piano Competition: 3rd (06), 2nd (08); School Trophy (08); Bronze (04), Silver (05), Gold (06), Plaque (07), Trophy (08); Intermediate Concert Band Commitment Award (04); SBHS Piano Competition: 3rd (06), 2nd (08); Football (04-09), 1st Grade (07-09), Captain of Football (09), Combined GPS 3rd XI (08-09); Athletics (05-09), Captain of Athletics (09), Athletics Regional Representative (06-08), CHS State Athletics Representative (06); Cross-Country Champion (05-08), Zone Cross-Country Champion (04), Cross-Country Regional Representative (04-09), CHS State Cross-Country Representative (04, 07-09); Tennis (04-07); School Parking (04-08); Psychologist.

JACOB Sidharth: Library Monitor (04-05); Cadet Unit (04-05) Debating (04-05) ICAS – Geography (D 06, HD 09); NCQ (D 04); AMC (D 06); ICAS – English (D 06); ICAS – Science (D 09); Basketball (04-05); Volleyball (04-05) Participation in Jeans Day, Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal, Clean Up Australia Day, Life Line Book Fair, the Red Cross Blood Drive, Oasis Charity Collection and the Roden Cutler Charity Collection Doctor, Accountant.

JIANG Brandon: Symphony Orchestra (05-07) ICAS – Science (HD 05,08 D 04,06,09); MCS (HD 06); MES (HD 07); NCQ (HD 08); AMC (HD 08); ICAS – English (D 05); ICAS – Computer Skills (D 05-07); AGC (D 07); Volleyball (05-07) Doctor

JONES Matthew: (2007-2009): Basketball Blue (07); Basketball (07-09) 1st V (07-09); Combined GPS Basketball 2nd V (07,09); Football (07-09); Sir Roden Cutler Charities (08); Blackmores Sydney Half Marathon (09); Teacher.

KATSIKAROS Christian: Prefect (09); SRC (07-08); Peer Support Leader (07); Recycling Committee (04, 06-08); ICB (04-05); SCB (06-09); Chamber Choir (06-09); Italy Music Tour (05); GPS Music Festival (06); Marching Band (07-09); Debating (04-09); Eastside Debating Competition winning team (05); The John Francis Bush Memorial Prize (08); First Latin (08); AIMO (HD 07); AMC (HD 07-09, D 04); MCS (HD 06-07); UNSWMC (Merit Certificate 07-08); National Latin Examination (Gold Medal 09); Latin and Greek Reading Competition (2nd place, 07); ICAS – Science (HD 04-05, D 06-07); ICAS – English (D 05-06); ICAS – Computer Studies (D 04, 07); ICAS – Financial Literacy (D 06); Music Pocket (08); Bronze Medallion (04); Silver Medallion (05); Gold Medallion (06); Platinum Medallion (07); Plaque (08); Football (04-09), Player's Player (07); High Harriers (07-09); Athletics (07-09); Cross Country Zone Representative (04, 09); Cross Country Regional Representative (07-08); Athletics Regional Representative (08); CHS State Athletics Representative (09); Tennis (04, 07-09); Rowing (05-06); Sir Roden Cutler Charities (08); Leukaemia Foundation's World's Greatest Shave (09); Medical Practitioner.

KAYES Masnun: SRC (04-05). AMC (HD 04, 07; D 05-06); AGC (HD 05-07); ICAS – English (D 04, 06); ICAS – Science (D 04-06, 09); ICAS – Financial Literacy (D 06); NCQ (D 04, 06). Rugby (05-06); Basketball (06-09). Sir Roden Cutler Charities; Oasis Charity; Lifeline Bookfair.

KHOU Vincent: Peer Support Leader (07); House Basketball Scorer and Timekeeper (05-07); Bronze Medallion (04); AMC (HD 04-06, 08; D 07, 09); AGC (HD 05,07; D 06); NCQ (HD 04, 08; D 05); ALFA (HD 06); ICAS – Science (D 04-08); ICAS – Computer Studies (HD 05, D 04, 06-07); ICAS – English (D 04-05); ICAS – Writing (D 05); ALC – French Reading (05); 16E Basketball Most Improved Player (06/07); Cricket (04); Basketball (05-07); Football (04-07); Fundraising for Sir Roden Cutler Charities; Fundraising for OASIS; Optometrist; Engineer.

KOURTESIS Arthur: (2006-2009): Gardening (08-09); Recycling (09); CSDA Public Speaking Competition (05); Accelerated Design and Technology (07); Meakin Prize for Design and Technology (08); Headmaster's Award for Outstanding Achievement in Industrial Arts (08); AMC (D 06, 08); ICAS – Science (D 05, 08); ICAS – Writing (HD 06); Cricket (06-07); Member of winning Barberis Cup Cricket Team (06); Football (07-08); Sir Roden Cutler Charities; Oasis Charities; Civil Engineer.

KURTS Phillip: SCB (06-07); SSB (06-07); ICB (04-05); JSB (04-05); Debating (04); First Engineering Studies (08); AMC (HD 08-09, D 05-06); ICAS – Writing (HD 07, D 05); ICAS – English (HD 04-05, D 06-07); ICAS – Computer Skills (HD 04, D 05,07); ICAS – Science (HD 05-06,08-09, D 07); 1st CHS Sailing (08); Captian Sailing (09); Sailing (04-09); Football (04-07,09); Sir Roden Cutler; OASIS; Engineer.

KWOK Alden: Prefect (09); The Rugby Committee; Arch Ferguson Prize (05); Platinum Medal (08) ICAS – Science (04); Ben Smalles Memorial Player's Player Award; Rowing (05-07); Basketball (08-09); Rugby (04-09); Vice-Captain 1st Grade Rugby (09) Sir Roden Cutler Wheelchair Roll (09); Pharmacist.

KWOK Alexander: (2008-2009): SCB(08); NSW Geography Competition (D 07); Tennis (08); Fundraising for Roden Cutler Charity and Oasis; Doctor.

LAM Victor: Library Monitor (04-08); Cadet Unit (04-05); Gardening (04-08); Economics Society (09); The J Manchester Prize for Biology (08); First Geography (08); Bronze Medallion (04); Silver Medallion (05); Gold Medallion(06); Platinum Medal (07); School Plaque (08); AMC (Prize 09, D 04-08); ICAS – Science (HD 08, D 04-06, 09); ICAS – Writing (HD 06, D 07); ICAS – Computer Skills (D 04, 07); ICAS English (D 04); AGC (HD 08-09, D 05); NCQ (HD 08, D 07); AFLA (HD 06); ALC – French (D 06) Tennis (04-05); Basketball (06-08); Soccer (04-09); Head of the River supporter (2007-09); GPS Athletics supporter (2008-09); Sir Roden Cutler Charities (08); OASIS Charities (09); Medical Scientist, Doctor.

LAMBERT Daniel: Software (08);Third in Year (08); AMC(HD 04, 08, D 06); MCYA; MCS (HD 06);ICAS- English (HD 06; D 04-05, 07-08); ICAS- Science (HD 04; D 05, 09); ICAS- Computer Studies (D 07); Engineer.

LANE Harrison: (2006-2009): Prefect (09); Peer Support Leader (07); Year Rep. Charities Committee (09); Chess Club (06-07); NCQ (D 06); ICAS – Writing (D 06); AMC (D 06); AFLA (D 06); ICAS – Science (D 09); Football (06-09) 1st XI Football (08-09) Captain 1st XI Football (09); Cricket (06-09) 2nd XI Cricket (07-09) Vice-Captain 2nd XI Cricket (09); NSW All Schools Cross-Country (06-09); Athletics (06-09); Skiing (08); World's Greatest Shave (09).

LAU Brian: Prefect (09); Peer Support Leader (07); Peer Mediation Leader (08); Peer Mentor (08); Library Monitor (04-06); Charities Committee; JSB (04-05); ISB (06); SSB (07-08); SO (06); HSC ENCORE Music2 Performance & Composition (08); 1st – Music Ext.1 (09); 1st – Commerce (07); 1st – PDHPE (06); 1st – Music Accel (06); 1st – Chinese (05); AMC (HD 09 & D 04-07); MCs (HD 06); MCYA(D 07); NCQ (D 04, 06); National Geography Comp (HD 06-07, D 05); ICAS – English (HD 07 & D 05); ICAS – Science (HD 05-06); ICAS – Computer Skills (D 04, 06); ICAS – Financial Literacy (HD 06); Scientia Challenge (06); SBHS Piano Comp (2nd 06 & 3rd 07); Music Pocket; Basketball (04-09); Football (04-09); Fundraising for Jeans for Genes Day (06-07); Legacy Day (07); Sir Roden Cutler Charities (08); Oasis Charities (09); organiser SBHS Blood Drive (09); Doctor

LAU Matthew: Library Monitor (05); Gardening (04-08); The Doris M. Gray Prize for Third (04-05); First Classical Greek (05); First Geography (06); First Commerce (06); First Business Studies (07); First Legal Studies (08); Bronze Medallion (04); Silver Medallion (05); Gold Medallion (06); Special Award (07); AMC (HD 06, 08); MCYA (HD 06); PricewaterhouseCoopers Business Studies Competition (HD \$100 Prize 08); NCQ (HD 06); National Geographic Australian Geography Competition (HD 06); ICAS – Science (D 04-06); ICAS – Computer Skills (D 06-07); ICAS – Writing (D 06); House Badge (06); Basketball (04-09), 2nd Grade (06-09); Soccer (04-06); Volleyball (08), 2nd Grade (08); Fundraising for: Sir Roden Cutler Charity; Oasis Day; Business related; Doctor.

LAU Robert: NCQ (D07 & HD08); BSC (HD08); AMC (D08); ICAS – English (D07); ICAS – Computer Skills (D06); ICAS – Financial Literacy (D06); ICAS – Science (D04). Legacy Day, Oasis, Sir Roden Cutler, Jeans for Genes Day Lawyer

LEE Benjamin: Library Monitor (03-04) Community Service Committee (03-09) Fast and Fresh (05-06); AMC Prize (04), D (06); ICAS – Science (D 03); ICAS – English (D 04); ICAS – Writing (D 05); Player's Player 2nd XV (09); Soccer (03-04); Rugby (05-09); 2nd XV (2nd Row for 08-09) Legacy Day;Teacher.

LEE Felix: Peer Support Leader (07); ICAS – Science (D 04); ICAS – Writing (D 06); ICAS – Computer Studies (D 05, 07); ICAS – English (06, 08); Basketball (06-09); Soccer (06, 08-09); Volleyball (07); Jeans for Genes Day; Legacy Day; Sir Roden Cutler; Pathologist.

LEE James: SRC (09); Charities Committee; Amnesty International Group; Intermediate Concert Band (04); Senior Concert Band (05); Beginner's Chinese (04); ICAS – Science (HD 06, D 05, 07); ICAS – Financial Literacy (HD 06); MCYA (HD 06); ICAS-English (D 04-08); ICAS – Computing Skills (D 05); ICAS – Writing (D 04); Rowing (05-07); Volleyball (04-07); Tennis (08-09); Cross Country (07-09); Jeans for Genes Day; Legacy Day; Sir Roden Cutler Charity; Oasis; White Ribbon Day; Policy Analyst.

LEE Raymond: Junior String Ensemble(06); NCQ (HD 08); ICAS – Science (06); Tennis (07-09) 4th; Fundraising for Daffodil Day, Jeans for Genes Day, Legacy Badge Day, Sir Roden Cutler charity, Oasis Collection; Pharmacist

- LEI Sonny:** Peer Support Leader (07); ICAS – Writing (HD 05); ICAS – Science (HD 08, D 05); NCQ (HD 04); ICAS – Computer Skills (D 04-06); AMC (D 04-05); English (04-05); Basketball (05-07); Sir Roden Cutler Charities (08); Engineer, Teacher.
- LIEU Johnny:** Peer Support Leader (05); Community Service Publicity Officer (08-09) Amnesty International (09), Community Service Committee (08-09) Circus Troupe (09); Drama Ensemble (09); School Theatresports Team (06, 08 – Semi-finalist); Debating (04-05); Barker Cup (05) School Bronze (05) Australian Geography Competition (HD 06); Australian Financial Literacy Competition (D 07) Rugby (05-08); Vice-Captain 16B Rugby (08) Oasis Youth Support Network, Boggabilla Creche Program, Daffodil Day, Lak Saviya, Beyond Blue, Stewart House, Jeans For Genes Day, Prostate Cancer Foundation; Advertising, Media
- LIU Charley:** Amnesty International Training Concert Band (04-05) AMC (D 04,06); BSC (D 08); ICAS -English (D 06-07); ICAS -Financial Literacy (D 06); ACER (HD 07) Basketball (04);Cross Country (07); Soccer (08-09); Tennis (07-09) Worlds Greatest Shave; Sir Roden Cutler Charities; Jeans for Genes Day; Oasis; Psychologist
- LI Aolin:** ICAS – Computer Skills (HD 05, D 06, 07); Australian Financial Literacy Assessment (HD 06); ICAS – Science (D 04-07); ICAS – English (D 06, 07); Basketball (05-09); Soccer (04-08) Sir Roden Cutler; OASIS.
- LI Hongwei:** SRC (2006-07) Chess Club (2004-06) JCB (2004) ICB (2005) Jazz Band (2005-06) SCB (2006) Academic Achievement (2009) AMC (Prize 2004), (D 2005-09); MCS (D 2005); BSC (D 2008); ICAS Science (D 2004-06); Basketball MVP 16D's 2007 Basketball (04-09) Captain of 16 D's; 2007 Investment Banker; Actuary
- LI Jacky:** Peer Support Leader (2007); Library Monitor (2004); Gardening (2005-2007); JSB (04-05); AMC (HD 05, 06, D 04, 07); ICAS – Wiriting (D 07); ICAS English (D 06, 07); ICAS Computer Skills (D 05, 06); ICAS – Financial Literacy (HD 06); ICAS – Science (HD 05, 07, D 06); MCS (D 07); NCQ (D 04-07); Basketball (04-09) Captain 5ths (07-08); Football (04-08) Daffodil Day (2006); Jeans for Genes (2007); Sir Roden Cutler; Legacy Day; Oasis; Financial Analyst
- LIM Kang:** SRC (05-08) Australian Army Cadets (04-06); SBHS Economics Society (Vice President 09), SBHS Photographic Society (09); Debating (05). School Special Award (07). PwC Economics Competition (HD 09); National Geographic Australian Geography Competition (HD 05, 07; D 06, 08); Australian NCQ (HD 05); Australian Financial Literacy Assessment (HD 06); AMC (HD 05-06) and MCYA (HD 06). ICAS – English (D 05-07), Computer Skills (D 06), Science (D 05-06), PwC BSC (D 07). Soccer (04-09); Basketball (04-07) Captain of teams(05-07); Athletics (2006) Sir Roden Cutler Charities; Children's Medical Research Institute; The Cancer Council; Salvation Army; Red Cross; Doctor.
- LIM Timmy:** AGC (HD 07; D 05); AMC (D 05,07); AFLA (D 06); Bowling Award 16A XI (06-07); Bowling Award 3rd XI (07-08) Cricket (04-09); Member of the Barberis Cup Team (06); Barberis Cup Champions (06); Member of Davidson Shield Team (08); Soccer (04-09) Sir Roden Cutler Charities; OASIS; Lawyer.
- LIM Victor Seng Yi:** Debating (04); AMC (HD 04, D 05); NCQ (HD 08); PwC – Business Studies (HD 08); ICAS – Science (D 05-06, 08); ICAS – English (D 05, 07); ICAS – Writing (D 05); AGC (06-07); ICAS – Computer Studies (04-07); ICAS – Financial Literacy (D 06); 3rd place in Da Vinci Decathlon (2007); Tennis (04-09) 2nd Grade (08) 1st Grade (09); CHS Stan Jones Cup (09); Football (04-09) 16C Captain (08); Sir Roden Cutler Charity; Oasis Charity; Biomedical Engineer.
- LIN William:** ICAS – Science (D 04,05 & 09); ICAS – Computer Skills (D 07); ICAS – Financial Literacy (D 06); National Geographic Channel Australian Geography Competition (D 06); AMC (D 04, 06 & 07); Barberis Cup winning team (06); 15A Cricket Team Award (05-06); 16A Cricket All-Rounder Award (06-07); Davidson Shield team (08); Opens 8 Football Player of the Year (08); Opens 4 Football Player of the Year (09); Rugby (04-07); Soccer (08-09); Cricket (04-09); 2nd XI (08); Sir Roden Cutler Charities; Leukaemia Foundation's World's Greatest Shave; Astronaut.
- LINDEBACK Nicholas:** SRC (06); Peer Support Leader (07); Peer Mediator (08); Christian Group Leader (07-09); 'Rusty Bugles' (07); 'Fast and Fresh' (06-07); School Plaque (08); Football (04-09); Rowing (04-06); Captain 16B's Cricket (07); Captain 5th Grade Cricket (08); Cricket (07-08); Tennis (09); GPS Athletics (07); Roden Cutler; Oasis; High for Homeless; Christian Minister.

- LO Daniel:** Prefect (09); House Captain (09); SRC (04-05); Peer Support Leader (07); Jersey Committee (09); Cadets (04-06); ICB(04-05); JSB (04-05); SWO (05-09); SCB (06-09); ANZAC Day MB (05-09); Debating (04-05) 1st – Design and Technology (06); 1st – Architectural and Engineering Graphics (07); School Trophy (08); ICAS – Science D (04-06, 08); ICAS – Computer Skills HD (05) D (06-07); ICAS – English D (07); NCQ D (05, 07); ICAS – Geography HD (05,07) D(06); AMC HD (08) D (05-07, 09); ACER Language Reading HD (07); ACER Language Listening D(07); MCYA MCS D (07); Music Pocket; Senior Concert Band's Commitment Award (08); Soccer (04-09); Tennis (04-05); Basketball (06-09), MVP of 15D's; Athletics (04, 08-09); Daffodil Day; OASIS Charities; Jeans for Genes Day; Sir Roden Cutler Charities; Legacy Day; Doctor or Biomedical Engineer.
- LO Kelvin:** Peer Support Leader (07); JCB (04); ICB (05); Bronze Medal (04); AMC (D 04); ICAS – Writing (D 06); ICAS – Science (D 04, 07); ICAS – Financial Literacy; Basketball (04-07); Captain 14E Basketball (05); Sir Roden Cutler Charity (08); Oasis Charity (09); Teacher.
- LU Benjamin:** Peer Mentor (08); Peer Support Leader (07); Cadets (04-08); School Plaque (08); AMC (HD 06; D 09); ICAS – English (HD 07); NCQ (HD 08); ICAS – Science (D 05-06); ICAS – Writing (D 06-07); ICAS – Computer Studies (D 07); FLA (D 06); Most Efficient Cadet (06); 4ths Basketball MIP (08); Basketball (04-09); Cross Country (07-09), 1st Grade (09); Fundraising for Jeans for Genes Day; Legacy Day; Sir Roden Cutler Charities; Oasis; Doctor.
- LU Simon:** Economics Society; Buddy System H A Coss Prize for first English (07) AMC (D 04 & 05, HD 06); AIMO (D 06, HD 07); MCS (HD 06 & 07); MCYA (HD 07); ICAS – English (D 05); ICAS – Science (HD 04, D 05) Football (04,09); Tennis (04) Sir Roden Cutler Charities; OASIS Charities Doctor
- LUCCHITTI Mark:** La Prix Roger Peyrefitte Prize (05- 07); First History (05); First French (05-09); School Trophy (08) MCYA (HD 06 &07); AMC (D 05-07) ; ICAS – Computer Studies (D 04 & 05-07); MEYA (D 07); ICAS – English (D 04-07); ALC – French (06 &07); AGC (HD 06, D 07) 16B cricket batting award; 15B cricket fielding award Football (04-09); Cricket (04-09); 5th XI Cricket captain (09) Sir Roden Cutler Charity (08) ; Oasis (09) Interpreter.
- MA William:** AMC (D 06); NCQ (D 08); ICAS – Writing (D 08); ICAS – Computer Skills (D 07); ICAS – English (D 06 & 04); ICAS – Science (D 05) Football (04-09); Basketball (05,06 & 08) Sir Roden Cutler Charities; Legacy Day; Daffodil Day; Jeans For Genes; OASIS Lawyer.
- MAK Chun-Yin:** Chess Club (05-07); Economics Society (09); ICAS – English (D 04); ICAS – Science (D 04-05), ICAS – Writing (D 06); ICAS – Financial Literacy (D 06); AMC (D 08); Rifleshooting (04); Sir Roden Cutler Charities; OASIS; Scientist.
- MANAMPERI, Panduka:** Year 11 CSC rep (08); Chairman CSC (09); Cricket (04-09); Rugby (04-08); AMC (D 04,09); UNSW SC (D 07); UNSW CS (D 07) ALC (DD 06); Daffodil Day (08); Jeans for Genes Day (08,09); Legacy Day (08); White Ribbon Day (08); Purple Ribbon Day (09); Red Shield Appeal (06,07); Sir Roden Cutler Charities Day (08); OASIS Charities day (09); Civil Engineer.
- MARTINEZ Brendon:** (2008-2009): Peer Mediator (03); G.C.H.S. Class Secretary (04); GCHS Class Representative (05-06) G.C.H.S. Choir (04); Waverley College Choir (04, 07); GCHS Western Orchestra (04-06); Waverley College Jazz Band (07) Debating (03) 2nd in Academic Results (07); Mathematics (07); Science (07); Commerce (07); SHOB Rugby Prize For Chemistry (08) ICAS – Science (HD 08, D 05); NCQ (D 08); AMC (D 08) Roden Cutler Charity (08); OASIS Charity (09); 40 Hour Famine (09) University Professor in Science.
- MEANEY Jackson:** (2007-2009) 'The Saloman Trophy' for Most Improved Player in 1st Grade Basketball (09): 1st Grade Basketball (07-09); 2nd Combined GPS Basketball (09); Athletics (09); Soccer (08-09): Sir Roden Cutler Charity; Oasis; Environmental Engineer; Sports Manager; Hydrographer.
- MEROM Shahar:** (2003-2009): JSB (03-05); ICB (03-05) The Robert Outterside Prize (08); AMC (Prize 03, HD 04); NCQ (D 04, 06); ICAS – English (D 07 Rugby (04-08) 1st XV (07-08); Rowing (03-09) Vice Captain of Boats (08) 2nd VIII (07) 1st VIII (08-09) CHS champions (08); Psychologist.
- MIKHA Maxeem:** Prefect (09'); Saxby House Captain (09'); Peer Support Leader (09'); Library Monitor (04'-06'); Archives Committee (04'-06'); Gardening Committee (04'-06'); Football Referee; Bronze Medallion (04'); Silver Medallion (05'); Gold Medallion (06'); Platinum Award (07'); School plaque (08'); School Trophy (09'); Saxby House Badge (07'); AMC (HD 05'-07', D 04', 08'); ICAS-Writing (HD 08', D 06'); ICAS-English (D 04', 05'); ICAS-Science (HD 08', D 04'-07'); MCYA; MCS (D 06'-07'); NCQ (HD 08', D 05'-07'); ICAS-Geography(D 06'-07');

ACER Australian Language Certificate-French (D 06'); Australian Financial Literacy Assessment (D 06'); UNSW Sustainable Living Challenge Finalist 2007 Cricket (04'-06'); Tennis (07'); Basketball (08'-09'); 8th Grade Basketball Premiers 2009 (undefeated); Football (04'-09'); 14A's Football Best and Fairest Award (MVP); 15A's Football Most Consistent; 2nd Grade Football 2007; 1st Grade Football 2008-2009; Co-Vice Captain 1st Grade Football 2009; Sir Roden Cutler Charities; Oasis Charities Criminal/Commercial Lawyer.

MITRA Ritam: Prefect (09); Peer Mediator (08); Peer Support Leader (07) Charities Committee (08); Bronze Award (04); Gold Award (07); Platinum Award (08); School Plaque (09); House Colours (07) ICAS – Writing (D 05, 08); ICAS – English (HD 04, 05, D 06, 07); ICAS – Computer Skills (HD 07, D 05, 06); ICAS – Geography (HD 06); ICAS – Science (HD 08, D 06); Volleyball (04-09); 2nd Grade Volleyball (06); 1st Grade Volleyball NSWCHS Open Boys Volleyball Champions (07,09); 1st Grade Volleyball GPS Volleyball Champions (07-09); Captain 1st Grade Volleyball (09); Australian Volleyball Schools Cup (06-09); 2nd in Australian Volleyball Schools Cup (Open Boys Div 2 08); 3rd in Australian Volleyball Schools Cup (U/16 Boys Div 2 06); NSW Metro Schools Volleyball Champions (07,09); Runners Up (04-06, 08); Sydney High Volleyball Tournament Runners Up (06); NSWCHS Regional Runners Up (09); Volleyball Most Valuable Player (07); NSWCHS Regional Sydney East Volleyball (08-09); NSW U/17 Volleyball (08); Cricket (04, 07-09), 2nd XI (07-08, 08-09); 3rd XI Batting Award (07-08) Sir Roden Cutler; Youth Off the Streets; School Parking (07-09).

NAM David: Prefect (09); SRC President (08); SRC Member (07-09); CSC Secretary (08-09); CSC Year Rep (08); Peer Support Leader (07); Junior Stage Band (04-05); Arch Ferguson Prize (08); School Plaque (08); PwC AEC (HD 09); ICAS English (D 04-06); ICAS Science (D 05, 07); ICAS Writing (D 04, 08); ICAS Financial Literacy (D 06); Basketball (04-09); Rugby (04-08); Soccer (09); Jeans for Genes (07-09); Legacy Day (07-08); Daffodil Day (08); Sir Roden Cutler (07); Marketing.

NEO Hung Hau: Peer Support leader (07); ICAS – Writing (HD 06 & 08, D 07), ICAS- Geography (D 08), AMC (D 06); Golden Boot (05); Tennis (04-09); Captain of 1st grade Tennis (09); Football (04-09); Sir Roden Cutler Charities.

NGUYEN Alain: (2008-2009): Economics Society (09); Eastern Suburbs Public Speaking Competition (08); Rostrum Voice of Youth (09); AMC (D 07); ICAS Geography (D 07); History Teacher's Association of NSW History Competition (D 07); UNSW Spelling Competition (D 06); Tennis (08); Red Cross (04); Clean Up Australia Day; SRCC (08);Oasis (09); Pharmacist.

NGUYEN Darren: Peer Support Leader (07); Peer Mentor (08); Library Monitor (05-06); Gardening Committee (05-07); Guitar Ensemble (04-06); Choir (04); Debating (05-06); First Music (04); Bronze Medallion (04); Silver Medallion (05); Gold Medallion (06); Special (07); School Plaque (08); Trophy (09); AMC (D 04-09); ICAS – English (D 04,07); ICAS – Science (D 04); ICAS – Computer Studies (D 05-06); ICAS – Financial Literacy (D 06); NCQ (HD 08); AGC (HD 08-09); ACO (08); APO (08); House Colors (07); Cricket (05); Basketball (04, 07-08); Soccer (04-08); Water Polo (09); 1st Grade (09);Jeans for Genes Day; Legacy Day; Daffodil Day; SRCC; OASIS; Doctor.

NGUYEN Jason: Prefect (09); Peer Mediator (08); Peer Support Leader (07); SRC (05); Library Monitor (04-06); Parking Co-ordinator (04-07); 'The Ross Miller Memorial Prize' for Best All Rounder; Bronze Medallion (04); Silver Medallion (05); Gold Medallion (06); Platinum Medallion (07); School Plaque (08); SIEV X Memorial Project; RTA Road Safety Film; Woollahra Council Photographic Award; AMC (HD 07; D 04-06, 08); PWC Business (D 08); ICAS Science (HD 04; D 05-07); ICAS English (D 04-07); ICAS Writing (D 06); ICAS Computer (D 05); SBHS Rowing Club Medal for Hardest Worker (09); Basketball (04-05); Rowing (06-09); Stroke 2nd Junior VIII (07); 2nd VIII (08-09); Winners Melbourne Rowing Exchange (07); Silver Medal CHS Rowing Championship (08); Rugby (04-09); 1st XV (08-09); Legacy Day Charity; Roden Cutler Charity; Oasis Charity; Lifeline Bookfair; Lawyer.

NGUYEN Kent: JCB – Drums (2004); Guitar Ensemble (2005-2007) 1st PDHPE (2005) NCQ (HD 04,06, D 08); ICAS – Writing (HD 07, D 05, 08); NGC Geography (HD 08); ICAS – Financial Literacy (HD 06); ICAS – English (D 04-07); ICAS – Computer Studies (D 07); ICAS – Science (D 04-09); AMC (D 06); Human Writes Essay Competition (Highly Commended); Tennis (04-09) 2nd Grade Tennis (07,08), 1st Grade Tennis (09); Football (04-09) 2nd Grade Football (08-09), Athletics (04-09), Opens GPS Athletics Team (08,09), CHS State Athletics (07-09), 2nd at CHS State 17+ 4x100 Relay (08) Sir Roden Cutler Charity; Oasis Charity Medicine; NFL; Law; Commerce.

NGUYEN Matthew: Peer Mentor (08); Year Representative (09); SRC (09) Charity Committee (08-09) NCQ (07-08); AMC (HD 07, D 06); ICAS – English (D 06-07); ICAS – Financial Literacy (D 06); ICAS – Science (HD 08,

D 06-07, 09) Rowing (05-07); Coxswain (05-07); Football (07-09) Fundraising for Jeans For Genes Day, Daffodil Day, Legacy Day, Sir Roden Cutler, Oasis Support; White Ribbon Day; Children's Festival Organisation Doctor/Elite Athlete.

NGUYEN Thomas: Prefect (09); Peer Mediator (08); Peer Support Leader (07); Library Monitor (04-06); Gardening Committee (05-09); Da Vinci Decathlon (04-07); Guitar Ensemble (04-07); Debating (04-07); School Trophy (09); School Plaque (08); Platinum Medallion (07); Gold Medallion (06); Silver Medallion (05); Bronze Medallion (04); AGC (HD 04 05 06 07 08 09); AMC (HD 05 09, D 04 06 07 08); NCQ (HD 08, D 04); ICAS – Writing (HD 07, D 06 08); ICAS – English (HD 06, D 04 05 07); ICAS Science (HD 06, D 05 07); MCYA (HD 07); ICAS Computer Skills (D 05 06); ACO (08); APO (08); ALC [French] (D 06); AMEB Stage 3 Guitar Honours (04); Da Vinci Decathlon Bronze Medal (07); Volleyball Sydney Metropolitan Region Gold Medal (05 06); NSW Volleyball Schools Cup (05 08); National Australian Volleyball Schools Bronze Medal (07); Sydney East Schools Sports Association Contribution Medal (07-08); Swimming (05-09); Opens (07-09); Volleyball (04-09); 2nd Grade (06-07); GPS Premiership (06-07); National Australian Volleyball Schools Tournament (04-07); Sydney Metropolitan Region Tournament (04-08); Accredited State Qualified Volleyball Referee (07-present); Chief Student Referee at State Volleyball Championships (07-08); Chief Student Referee at Combined High Schools Volleyball Knockout Competition (07-08); Sydney East Regional Referee (07-09); Daffodil Day; SRCC; UNIFEM International Womens Day; White Ribbon Day; Jeans for Genes Day; Victorian Bushfire Victims Appeal; OASIS; Prosecutor.

OSINSKI Matthew: Peer Support Leader (07) Training Concert Band (04); ICB (05-06); Orchestra (05-06); Jazz Band (06). Outstanding Musician (04); Bronze Medallion (04); First German (08). ICAS – English (HD 05-06, 08; D 04, 07); ICAS – Writing (HD 06; D 04, 08); ICAS – Financial Literacy (HD 06); ICAS – Science (HD 04; D 06, 08); ICAS – Computer Skills (D 05-06); PwC Australian Business Studies Competition (HD Prize 08); ACER German 3 – Listening (HD Perfect Score 08; D 07); ACER German 3 – Reading (D 07-08); National Geographic Australian Geography Competition (HD 05-06); NCQ (HD 05, 07); AMC (D 05-06). Football (04-09); Sailing (04); Athletics (06). Sir Roden Cutler Charities; OASIS. Science-Fiction Author.

UGRA Balraj: (2008-2009): Peer Literacy Tutoring (07); Peer Support Leader (08); BSC (D 08); Sydney North Blue (08); NSWCHS State Blue (08); Sydney East Blue (09); MVP of NSWCHS State Championship (09); NSWCHS Volleyball (08); Australian Test Team (08-09); Australian Schools Runners Up (08); NSWCHS Volleyball Vice Captain (09); Sydney East Volleyball Captain (08); Cricket 1st XI (09); Physiotherapist; Business Related.

PAN William: Peer Mediator (08); ICAS-English (D 05,07); ICAS-Writing (HD 07, D 06-07); ICAS-Computer Skills (D 05); ICAS-Geography (D 07); ICAS-Financial Literacy (HD 06); ALC-Reading (Chinese) (HD 07); ALC-Listening (Chinese) (D 07); Football (06-09); Fundraising for Daffodil Day; Jeans for Genes Day; Oasis Charity; Sir Roden Cutler; Finance Manager.

PEDNEKAR Nakul: SRC Elect 2006; Fast and Fresh 06 Stage Director; Rusty Bugles Production 06; Short and Sweet 07 14 A's Bowling Award; 15 A's Batting Award; 16 A's Batting Award; Rugby 05-07; House Basketball Competition 05; Cricket 04-09; Leadership group – Cricket – 05-09; Barberis Cup Champions 2006; Barberis Cup Vice Captain 2006; 16 A's Captain 06-07; Inaugural 6th Grade Captain 06; Davidson Shield 07-08 and 08-09; Five Highs Interstate Competition 07-08 and 08-09; Cec Rubie Trophy 07-08; 2nd XI Cricket 07-08; Transharbour Under 15s Coach 2008-09; 1st XI Cricket 08-09; 1st XI Co-Captain 08-09; Lifeline Book Fair 2006; Lak Saviya 2007; Marketing.

PENG David: Peer Support Leader (07) AMC (HD 05; 07); ICSA – Computer Skills (D 04) ICSA – Science (D 04-05) Tennis (04-05); Basketball (06-09); 2nds (08-09); Soccer (04-05, 09); Rugby (06-08); 1st XV (08) Jeans for Genes; Daffodil Day; Doctor, Psychologist, Dentist

PETERS Tom: (2008-2009): Choir (08); Orchestra (08-09); Senior Strings Ensemble (08-09); NCQ (HD 08); AMC (D 08); ICAS – Science (D 09); Music Pocket (08); Orchestra Leader (09); Rowing (08-09); Ist IV (09); Cross Country (08-09) CC Captain (09); Youth Off the Streets; Sir Roden Cutler; Medicine.

PHILIP Hung: AMC (HD 05, D 04,05), NCQ (D 05-07) ICAC-Financial Literacy (D 06) Basketball (04), Fencing (04-05), Cross Country (08-09), First Grade Water Polo (09) Sir Roden Cutler Charities (08), Oasis Collection (09) Aeronautical Engineer.

PONRAJ Shane: Peer Support Leader (07); Inter School Christian Fellowship Leader (07-09); Recycling Committee (05-06); Inter School Christian Fellowship (04, 05-09); Parking (05-07); Gardening (09); High for Homeless (07); ICB (04-05); ISB (05-06); Trinity Grade 2 Speech and Drama (D 04); Second Visual Arts (07); Bronze Medallion (04); Silver Medallion (05); Gold Medallion (06); Platinum Medallion (07); Plaque (08); Trophy (09); ICAS – English (HD 06; D 07); ICAS – Writing (D 08); AMC (HD 06; D 07-09); ICAS – Science (HD 05; D 09); NCQ (D 04, 06); NGAGC (05, 07); ICAS – Computer Studies (D 05, 07); House Badge (07); AMEB 7th Grade Piano (D 08); AMEB 4th Grade Theory of Music (HD 07); Visual Arts 'Sydney Rocks On' (Highly Commended painting in mixed media 07); Basketball (04-07); Volleyball (06-08); Football (09); Jeans for Genes Day (07-09); Daffodil Day (08); Sir Roden Cutler Charities (08); Reach (04-08); Oasis (09); Computer Animator; Clinical Psychologist.

RAGHAV Saggur: Fast and Fresh Stage director 06 Rusty Bugles Production 06 Westpac Maths Competition 05: D Westpac Maths Competition 06: HD Cricket hatrick 16's High vs Joey's 06 Cricket 04-07 Rugby 05-08 Armidale 04 Inaugural Vice Captain 6th Grade cricket 06-07 Touch Footy House Competition 04 House Basketball 04 House Basketball 05 House Basketball 06 Lak Saivya 07 Open Day 05 Volunteer Commerce/Medicine/Marketing

RICHARDS Hugo: Peer Support Leader (07); 1st – PDHPE (08); AGC (HD 06-08); AMC (HD 05); 2nd XI Batting Award (07-08); 13 B's Batting Award (04); Cricket (04, 06-09); 2nd XI (07-08); 3rd XI Coach (08); Barberis Cup Championship Team (06); 13 B's Captain (04); Rugby (04-07); Sir Roden Cutler Charities (08); Sports Administrator/Commentator.

RIDGES Nelson: Senior Prefect (09); House Vice-Captain (09); Peer Support Leader (07); Guitar Ensemble (04); 'S & P Tzannes Prize (04); 'Brian Allsop Memorial Prize' (06); Rugby (04-09), 1st XV (08-09), 1st XV Vice-Captain (08), 1st XV Captain (09), 16A's Captain (07), Rugby Gold Coast Tour (05); Rowing (04-09), 1st VIII (08-09), Stroke 1st VIII (09), 1st Yr 10 VIII (06-07), Captain Yr 10 Rowing (07), Nationals Rowing (08), Melbourne Rowing Exchange Program (06-07), CHS Champion (08), CHS Rower (04-08); Athletics (04-09), Captain Junior Athletics (07), CHS Athletics (04-06); Cricket (04); Sir Roden Cutler Charities (08-09); OASIS (09).

ROOKE Drew: (2008-2009): Cricket (2008); Athletics (2009) Roden Cutler Charities (08-09).

SANTOSO Johan: Prefect (08); Drum Major (09); Peer Mediator; (08); Peer Support leader (07); Company Sergeant Major of Cadet unit (09); Ceremonial Guard Sergeant (08); Marching Band Prefect (09); Cadet unit (04-09, CPL 05-07, SGT 07-08 SSGT 08-09, WO2 09); ICB (04) Year 8 Concert Band (05), Jazz Band (05); SCB(06-09); Symphony Orchestra (05-09); Anzac Day Marching Band Musician (05-06, 08), Ensign (07), Drum Major (09); Australian Army Cadets Mass Band (05); GPS Music Festival (05-07); Schools Spectacular (04-05); Best Musician Year 8 Ensemble (05); SCB Most Improved (06); Marching Band Outstanding Leadership Award (08); Music All Rounder Award (08); Most Efficient JNCO (05-06); Australian Defence Force Long Tan Leadership and Teamwork Award (07); Major General Jim Norrie Memorial Award (07); School Bronze (04), Silver (05), Gold (06), Platinum (07), Plaque (08), Trophy (09); Unit Representative KCU AFX A COY (05); AMC (D 04-08); NCQ (D 05-06); AGO (D 05-06 HD 09); ICAS – Writing (D 05, 08); ICAS – Computer Studies (D 04-05); ICAS – Science (D 04, 06, 09 HD 05); ICAS -English (D 07); ICAS – Financial Literacy (HD 06); Music Pocket (08); Rugby (05-07); Rowing (04-08); 2nd IV (08); CHS Rowing silver medal (08); Rifle Shooting (04, 08-09); 1st Grade Rifle Shooting (09); GPS Premiers (09) SRCC (08-09); Oasis (09); Shave For A Cure (09); Red Cross Blood Drive (09) Business Manager

SHAN Daniel: Debating (04); 1st – Design and Technology (05); 1st – Mathematics (07); School Plaque (08); Special Award (07); Gold Medallion (06); Silver Medallion (05); Bronze Medallion (04); AIMO (HD 05, 07, D 06); AMC (HD 05, 08, D 06-07); ICAS – Writing (D 06); ICAS – English (D 05); ICAS – Computer Skills (D 04-06); ICAS – Science (HD 05-06, D 04, 07); GC (D 06-07); MCYA (HD 07); MCS (HD 06-07, D 05); NCQ (HD 04, 06, 08, D 05, 07); NSWCHS Volleyball Knockout Premership (09); Volleyball (04-09); 1st Grade Volleyball (08-09); 2nd Grade Volleyball (05-06); Basketball (04-08); Member of Volleyball Team for Australian Schools Cup to Melbourne (04-09); Sir Roden Cutler Charity (08); Electrical engineer; Boolean System Analyst; Astrophysicist.

SHARMA Avish: Peer Mediator (08); Peer Support (07); Community Service (08-09); Guitar Ensemble (04); JSB (05); Debating (04-09); First Geography (05); School Trophy (09); Price Waterhouse Coopers Australian BSC (Prize, HD 08); Australian Schools Geography (HD 05,06); ICAS – Science (D 04-06); NCQ (D 05-06); Westpac Maths (D 04-05); ICAS – English (D 04-05); Australian Financial Literacy (D 06); ACER French Certificate 3 (D 07); ICAS – Writing (D 06,08); 3rd XI Batting Award (08-09); Cricket (04, 07-09) 2nd XI (07-

08,08-09); Football (05-09); Athletics (08-09) GPS Championships (09); Roden Cutler Charities (08); Oasis (09); Fundraising for Stewart House, Boggabilla Central School; Psychologist/Pharmacologist.

SHENOY Rohit: Library Monitor (04-09); Australian Army Cadets (04-05); Legal Studies Society (09); Economics Society (09); Recycling Committee (09); Gardening Committee (04-07); Platinum Award (07); House Badge (08); Australian Geography Competition (HD 04-05,07-09); AMC (D 06 & 07); ICAS-Writing (D 07); ICAS- Science (D 05); ICAS- Financial Literacy (HD 06); PwC Economics (HD 08); Cricket (04-09) 5th XI (08-09); Rifle Shooting (04-06); Rugby (07-08); Sir Roden Cutler Charities (08); White Ribbon Day (08); OASIS (09), Amnesty International (09); Lifeline Book Fair (05-07); Accountant; Diplomat.

SHIMADA Shota: AMC (HD 04, 09; D 08); ICAS – Computer Studies (D 05) ICAS – Geography – (HD 05) Basketball (04-05); Football (04-09) 2nd XI (08) 1st XI (09) Sir Roden Cutler; OASIS Dentist

SHURAPEY Dmitriy: Chess Club (06-08) AMPEC (HD 08); ICAS-Writing (D 08) Tennis (04-09).

SIN Michael: SRC (08-09); Peer Support Leader (07); Library Monitor (04-05) Community Service Committee (07-09); Recycling Committee (04-05) School Trophy (09); House Colours (06) AMC (HD 05, D 04, 07 & 09); MCYA (D 04); ICAS – Writing (D 04 & 08); ICAS – Science (D 04-06); ICAS – Computer Studies (D 06); National Geographic Australian Geography Competition (HD 09) Tennis (04-09); 2nd Grade Tennis (09); CHS Stan Jones Cup (09); Captain 3rd Grade Tennis (08); Soccer (07-09); Fencing (04-06); State Championships Fencing (06) Youth Off the Streets; Legacy Day; Daffodil Day; Jeans for Genes; Sir Roden Cutler Charities; World's Greatest Shave; White Ribbon Day; Lak Saviya; Boggabilla; Stewart House; Red Cross; OASIS.

SIU Timothy: High Harriers (07-09); Maths Enrichment Program (04-05); ICB (04); SCB (05-09); JSB (04); ISB (05-06); SSB (07-08); Chamber Choir (06-08); Marching Band (05-09); Symphony Orchestra (05-08); GPS Concert Band (06-07); AMC (HD 04-09); ICAS – Science (D 04-05); ICAS – Geography (D 06-07); ICAS – Computer Studies (D 06); ICAS – English (D 07); Music Pocket; Football (04-09); Tennis (04-08); 2nd Grade 08; Athletics (07-09); CHS Athletics (09); Regional Athletics (08); Regional Cross Country (06-08); Zone Cross Country (09); OASIS; Engineer; Actuary; Teacher.

SPOJARIC Nevin: Prefect (09); SRC (08-09); Peer Support Leader (07); Photography Team Leader (09); Library Monitor (04-09); Co-founder of the Sydney High Photographic Society (09); Yearbook Coordinator (09); Cadet Unit (04-05); Recycling Committee (08); Gardening Committee (05-06); Charities Committee (08-09); Da Vinci Decathlon (06-07); Amnesty International Committee (09); School Photographer (08-09); Archives Committee (07); Training Concert Band (04); JCB (05); ICB(06); Jazz Band (06); Dux of Architecture and Building Design (06); Training Concert Band Best Musician (04); School Trophy (08); AMC (HD 04,06; D 05,07); ICAS Science (HD 09; D 04-08); ICAS Computer Studies (HD 06; D 04-05); Australian Geography Competition (HD 05,07,09; D 06); ICAS Writing (D 06); ICAS English (D 04-08); NCQ (HD 04-05; D 06-07); PwC Economics Competition (D 08); BSC (HD 07-08; Prize 08); Australian Financial Literacy Assessment (HD 06); 1st Grade Rifle Shooting GPS Premiership (09); GPS Combined Rifle Shooting (09); Rifle Shooting Blue (09); Basketball (04, 07); Cricket (05-06); Football (04-08); 2nd Grade Rifle Shooting (07); 1st Grade Rifle Shooting (08-09); Vice Captain of Shooting (09); Jeans for Genes Day (08-09); Sir Roden Cutler Charities (08); Daffodil Day (08); Legacy Day (08); Red Cross Blood Drive (09); Investment Banker, Architect, Photographer.

STOJANOVIC Denis: Prefect (09); Cadet Under Officer (08-09); CSM (07-08); Peer Support Leader (07); School Archivist (08-09); Sydney High School Cadet Unit (2004-2009); Chancellor Sydney High School Society (06-09); AMC (D 05, 07); ICAS –Science (D 04-07); ICAS –English (HD 04, 07 D 06); Australian Geography Competition (HD 06, D05); NCQ (HD 04, D 06); Financial Literacy (D 06); ACER German (HD 08); Duke of Edinburgh – Bronze (06), Silver (07), Gold (09); Adventure Training Award (09); Sydney High School Cadet Unit (04-09); Athletics (04-07); Rowing (04-07) 2nd Yr10 VIII (07); Rifle Shooting (04-09) 2nd Grade (05-06) 1st Grade (07-09) Member of SHSRC team to Trentham NZ, All Schools winning team (09) GPS Premiership team (09); Member of Australian Defence Force Cadets Rifle Team to Bisley (06); Commander 23 Battalion Chief of Army Challenge winning team (09); Sir Roden Cutler Charities; Red Cross Blood Drive; Oasis Charities; Australian Army Officer, Diplomat, High Commissioner.

STREET Neil: (2005-2009): Prefect (09); Peer Mediator (08); Peer Support Leader (07) Formal Committee (07) and Formal Committee (09) Year 9 Concert Band (06); Intermediate Concert Band (07) ICAS – Geography (HD 07) 14C's Basketball; 15A's/16A's Cricket; GPS Athletics (06-09) 14-16A's Soccer, 16A's Rugby (08), 2nd XV (09); 2nd Yr 10 VIII (07); 2nd IV (08); 2nd VIII (09) Jeans for Genes (07-08); Sir Roden Cutler Wheelchair Drive (08); Sir Roden Cutler Wheelchair Roll (09) Clinical Psychologist

SZET Wilson: Gold Medallion (07); House Badge (07) AMC (HD 06, D 07); BSC (HD 08); NCQ (D 07); ICAS – Writing (HD 06); ICAS- Science (D 04); AFLA (D 06) Basketball Most Improved Player (05, 08) Basketball (04-09) Captain 3rd Grade Basketball; Volleyball (04-07); Eastern Suburbs Zone Swimming Representative (04); Eastern Suburbs Regional Swimming Representative (04) Jeans For Jeans Day; Legacy Day; Daffodil Day; Sir Roden Cutler Accountant; Corporate Lawyer.

TAN Jonathan: AMC (D 04-05, 07); ICAS – Science (D 04-05); ICAS – Computer Skills (D 06); Soccer (04-09); Daffodil Day, Legacy Day, Sir Roden Cutler Charity, Red Cross Blood Drive, Oasis Australia, Jeans for Genes Day; mechatronics engineer, electronics engineer, civil engineer.

TANG Matthew: Peer Support Leader (07); AMC (HD 0, D 05-08); ICAS – English (HD 05, D 04,07); ICAS – Science (D 05,06); NCQ (HD 04,06, D 05,08); ICAS – Financial Literacy (D 06); ICAS – Geography (HD 07, D 06); ICAS – Computer Studies (D 07); Fundraising for Jeans for Genes Day, Daffodil Day, Legacy, Oasis; Doctor.

TENG Leonard: Peer Support Leader (07); Peer Mediation Leader (08); Prefect (09); House Captain (09); Junior Concert Band (04); Intermediate Concert Band (05); Jazz Band (05); School Plaque (08); Platinum Award (07); Gold Medallion (06); Silver Medallion (05); Bronze Medallion (04); Academic Merit List (04-09); AGC (HD 05, D 07); AMC (HD 08, D 04-06, 09); ICAS – Science (HD 05, D 04, 09); ICAS – English (D 04 06); ICAS – Computer Studies (06); ICAS – Writing (06); NCQ (HD 08, D 04); Da Vinci Decathlon 3rd (07); Basketball (04-09) 2nd Grade (05-06, 07-09) 1st Grade (06-07) Captain 2nd Grade Basketball – 2nd in the GPS (09); Soccer (04-09); Finalist in the NSWCHS 15s and Opens Basketball KO; Jeans for Genes Day; Sir Roden Cutler Charities; World's Greatest Shave; OASIS; Marketing Co-ordinator.

THAI William: (2008-2009): Library Monitor (09); Amnesty (09); Economic Society (09); Bronze Medallion (09); AMC (D 04-05, 08); ICAS – Science (D 04,06); ICAS – Geography (D 08-09); ALC – French (D 06); AFLA (D 06); Rio Tinto Big Science Competition (D 07); 3rd IV (08); Rugby (08); Fundraising for Red Cross Appeal; Sir Roden Cutler Charities; Oasis; Marketing.

TONG Matthew: Prefect (09); Concert Band Prefect (09); Library Monitor (04); ICB (04-05); SCB (06-09); ANZAC Day Marching Band (06-09); GPS Music Festival (06-07); National Chinese Eisteddfod Team (06); P & C Prize for Second (04); First Science (04); University of Sydney Year 10 Academic Excellence Award (Second in Year 10) (07); First Geography (07); Bronze Medallion (04); Silver Medallion (05); Gold Medallion (06); Special Award (07); School Plaque (08); AMC (HD 05, D 04, 06-09); ICAS – Computer Studies (D 07); ICAS – English (D 04, 06); ICAS – Geography (HD 07, D 06); ICAS – Science (HD 08, D 04-07); MCS (HD 06, 07); MCYA (D 06, 07); NCQ (HD 04-08, D 05); Music Pocket (09); Rifle Shooting Blue (08); House Badge (07); Cross Country (04); Rowing (05); Soccer (05-09); Rifle Shooting (04-09); 2nd Grade (06); 1st Grade (07-09); 1st Grade Captain (09); GPS Premiers (09); GPS Combined Rifle Shooting (08-09); GPS Captain (09); Fiona Reynolds Memorial Trophy for All Schools Match (09); Prorak Trophy (1st 07 & 09, 2nd 08); ANZAC Day Open Championships (1st in C Grade) (08); Wingham Open Championships (08-09) (5th in B Grade 09); Mo Burdett Schools Team Trophy Winners (09); NSW City U25 Rifle Team (09); Member of Sydney High Rifle Team for New Zealand Queens Championship to Trentham (09); Armidale Rifle Trip King of the Range (09); Parking (04-09); SRCC; Jeans for Genes Day; Daffodil Day; Legacy Day; Oasis; Doctor/Engineer.

TRAN Anthony: Peer Mentor (08); Peer Support Leader (07); Cadet unit (04-07); Platinum (07); NCQ(HD 08); AMC (D 04-07); ICAS – Geography (D 07); ACO (C 08); ICAS – Writing (D 08); ICAS Science (D 04-06); ICAS – Computer Skills (D 05,07); Basketball (04-09); Volleyball (05-07); Jeans for Genes Day; Legacy Day; Oasis; Sir Roden Cutler Charities; Daffodil Day, Blood Donor; Optometrist.

TRAN Luke: Peer Support Leader (07); Debating (05-06); First Chemistry (08); AMC (HD 06 & 08-09, D 04 &

07); BSC (HD Prize-08); AFLA (HD 06); MCS (HD 06 & 07); NCQ (HD 08, D 04 & 07); ICAS – Science (HD 08 & D 04, 06, 07, 09); NGGC (HD 07, D 06); ICAS – Writing (D 07); ICAS – Computer Skills (D 06); ICAS – English (D 04); AIMO (06-07); MCYA (07); Basketball (04-09); Soccer (04-09); Fundraising for Jeans for Genes Day, Sir Roden Cutler Charity Drive, OASIS; Doctor.

TRAN Trung: Peer Mediator (08); First Design & Technology (07); Bronze Medallion (06); Silver Medallion (07); AMC (D 04-09); ICAS – Science (D 04-05); NGC (HD 05, 07-09; D 06); ICAS – Writing (D 08); NCQ (D 06); Basketball (04-07); 14D's Basketball Captain; Soccer (04); Rugby (07-08); Fitness (08-09); Sir Roden Cutler Charities; Oasis Charity; Environmental Engineer.

TSIALIS Anthony: Peer Support Leader (07); Library Monitor (04-06); Football referee; Bronze Medallion (05); Gold Medallion (07); Platinum Award (09); Fairland House Badge (07); AMC (D 08); ICAS-Science (D 05-06); ICAS-Geography (HD 06, D 05); ICAS-Computer Studies (D 05-06); ACER Australian Language Certificate-French (D 06-07); NCQ (D 06-07); Cricket (04-05); Rowing (05-07); Athletics (06-07); Zone Cross Country (06); Basketball (07-09); 8th Grade Basketball Premiers 2009 (undefeated); Football (04-09); 2nd Grade Football 2007; 1st Grade Football 2008-2009; Sir Roden Cutler Charities; Civil / Project Engineer.

UNG Victor: JCB (04) Gold Medallion (06) AMC (HD 06; D 05,08); Australian Financial Literacy Assessment (HD 06); NCQ (D 04-05); ICAS – Science (D 04-05); ICAS – Computer Skills (D 06); ICAS – Writing (D 07); BSC (D 07); Australian Geography Competition (D 05-06) Football (04-09); Basketball (04, 06-07); Cricket (05) Sir Roden Cutler Charities.

VALLIAPPAN Siva: (2008-2009): SCB (04-07); SSB (04-07); NCQ (D 08); PwCEC (D 08); NGCAGC (D 07); UNSWFLC (D 06); Cricket (08-09); 3rd XI Captain (08-09); 3rd XI Bowling Award (08-09); Football (08-09); Fundraising for Daffodil Day; Jeans for Genes Day; Sir Roden Cutler Charity; Biomedical Engineer; Doctor; Physiotherapist; Finance Related.

VASHIST Divesh: (2006-2009): Amnesty International (09); Community Sevices (08, 09); Economics Society (09); AMC (D 07,09); Geography Competition (HD 08,09); ICAS – Financial Literacy (D 06); UNSWMC (D 06); Cricket (07, 09); Sir Roden Cutler Charity; White Ribbon Day; Oasis Fundraising Day; University Academic.

VYAS Neeraj: (2008-2009): Economic Society; Amnesty International; NSW Geography Competition (HD 07); AMC (D 08); Australian Financial Literacy Competition (D 06); ICAS-Writing (D 06); Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award Cricket 1st XI (08-09); Rifle Shooting (08); Member of Five Highs Team to Adelaide (08); Davidson Shield (08) Legacy Day; Sir Roden Cutler Charities; OASIS; Red Cross Blood Donor; Medicine.

WACHSMANN Jack: Prefect (09); Cadet Under Officer; Chancellor SHSS; Peer Support Leader (07); Cadet Unit; Class of 2001 Prize for Outdoor Education (07); Major General James Norrie Memorial Prize (08); Trophy (09); AMC (D 08); ICAS – English (D 05-07); ICAS – Computer Studies (D 05-06); ICAS – Science (HD 04-05, D 06-09); NCQ (HD 06, 08); Aust Financial Literacy Assessment (HD 06); ICAS – Geography (HD 06-07); Adventure Training Award (09); Duke of Edinburgh Gold (09); Rowing (04-09), 1st VIII 2009; CHS Rowing (08); Rugby (04-08), Rugby Gold Coast Tour (05), Captain 14B's (06); 2nd Grade Rifle Shooting (07, 09); Swimming (09); Lifeline; Sir Roden Cutler Charities; Oasis; Mechanical Engineer.

WAN Samuel: Headmaster's Award for Outstanding Achievement in Industrial Arts (08); Meakin's Prize for First in Design and Technology (07,08); First German (05-07); First Architectural and Technical Drawing (07); Australian Geography Competition (HD 06); NCQ (HD 04); AMC (D 04, 07); ICAS – Science (D 04-07); ICAS – English (D 04-07); ICAS – Computer Skills (D 07) Shortlisted for DesignTECH (08); Volleyball (04-09); A-Grade Volleyball (04-07); Best and Fairest (06); 2nd Volleyball (06-09); GPS Premiers (07-09); AVSC 3rd Place (07); Sydney Metropolitan Region Tournament Gold Medal (05-06); NSW Schools Cup Gold Medal (05,08); Regional Referee AVRC (05-09); Referee CHS Zone/Regional Boys/Girls Finals (07-08); State Volleyball Carnival (07-08); Sir Roden Cutler Charity; Oasis; Primary Teacher.

WILSON Thomas: Prefect (09); Peer Mediator (08); Peer Support Leader (07); ICB (04); SCB (05-09); Orchestra (05-09); Marching Band (05-09); Philharmonic Orchestra (Conductor) (08); Chamber Choir (08); GPS Concert Band (05-06); GPS Orchestra (05, 07); NSW Public Schools SWE (08-09); First (05-08); Latin (04-08); Classical Greek (04, 06-08); Music (05, 07-08); English (05-06); Science (07); Maths (05); French (04); Geography (04); J W Gibbes Junior School Prize (07); AIMO (D 06); AMC (Prize 05-08, HD 04); ICAS –

Writing (HD 06, D 05, 07); ICAS – English (HD 04-05, 07); ICAS – Computer Skills (HD 05, D 04, 06); ICAS – Science (Medal 05, HD 04, 06-07); ICAS – Financial Literacy (HD 06); MCYA (HD 07, D 05); MCS (HD 04-07); NCQ (HD 04-06); Music Pocket (08); Basketball (05-09); Volleyball (04-09); Musician.

WONG Jeffrey: Peer Support Leader (07) JSB (04); ICB (05-06) First Maths (06) ACO (D 07-08); AIMO (D 07); AMC (HD 05,07-08, D 04, 09); BSC (HD 08); ICAS – English (D 04, 06); ICAS – Geography (D 05-06); ICAS – Computer Studies (D 05); ICAS – Science (D 04, 06, 08-09); ICAS – Writing (D 08); ICAS – Financial Literacy (HD 06); MCS (D 07); NCQ (D 07-08). Basketball (04-09) 2nd Grade (09); Soccer (04-09); GPS Athletics (08) CHS State Athletics (08); Fundraising for Daffodil Day; Legacy Day; Jeans for Genes Day; Sir Roden Cutler Charity Doctor, Actuary.

WONG Johnny: AMC (HD 04, 06, 08; D 07, 09); ICAS – Geography (HD 05); ICAS – Science (D 06); ICAS – Computer Skills (D 06); NCQ (D 05); Sir Roden Cutler Charity; Mechanical Engineer.

WONG Matthew: ICB (04-05); Port Macquarie Music Tour (04); Guitar Ensemble (04-06); SCB (06-08); Symphony Orchestra (05-08); Marching Band (06-08); GPS Concert Band (06); GPS Symphony Orchestra (07); NSW State Music Camp (06-07); NSW State Senior Wind Band (07); NSW Selective Schools Band (08); Bronze Medallion (04); Silver Medallion (05); Gold Medallion (06); Platinum Medallion (07); School Plaque (08); School Trophy (09); AMC (D 04-08); ICAS – Science (D 2004); ICAS – Computer Studies (D 2004); ICAS – Writing (D 06-07); ICAS – English (D 06); Cricket (04-08); GPS Athletics (04-09); Rifle Shooting (04); Volleyball (05-08); Football (09); CHS Zone Athletics (05) Sir Roden Cutler Charities (08); Worlds Greatest Shave (09); Journalist/Broadcaster/Criminal Prosecutor.

WONG Nicholas: SRC Honorary Member (09); SRC Vice-President (08); SRC Publicity Officer (07); Peer Support Leader (07); SRC Member (06); Co-Founder of the Sydney High Photographic Society (09); House Badge (08); Bronze Medallion (06); NCQ (HD 06, D 04, 07); ICAS – English (D 07); ICAS – Science (D 07); ICAS – Computer Skills (D 07); ICAS – Financial Literacy (D 06); Moran Contemporary Photographic Prize Secondary Semi-Finalist (09); Basketball (05-09); Football (07-09); SRCC; Real Estate.

WU Dickson: Peer Support Leader (07); Gardening Committee (04, 08); Choir (04-05); German Film-Making Project (05-06); Platinum Medallion (08); Bronze Medallion (04); First Music (06); AMC (HD 04-05, 08; D 06, 09); NCQ (HD 08; D 07); ICAS – English (D 04, 07-08); ICAS – Writing (D 06); ICAS – Science (D 09); ICAS – Computer Studies (D 04); ICAS – Financial Literacy (D 06); BSC (D 08); AGC (D 09); AMEB Third Grade Theory Of Music Honours (04); Basketball (04, 06-09); Football (04, 06-09); SRCC; Legacy Day; Daffodil Day; Jeans for Genes Day; OASIS; Lawyer.

XIE Cong Alick: Peer Support Leader (07); ICB (04); Vocalease (04-05); AMC (HD 07-08, D 04-06); NCQ (HD 04); ICAS – Science (D 04-08); ICAS – English (D 04-06); ICAS – Writing (D 05); ICAS – Financial Literacy (D 06); ICAS – Computer Studies (D 05-06); Player of the Year Award (Soccer 08); Soccer (04-09) Red Cross Blood Drive Donor; Fundraising for Sir Roden Culter Charity, Legacy Day, Oasis Charity; Engineer.

YANG Alan: (2006-2009): Economics Society (09); PwC EC (Prize 08); ICAS (HD 05); AMC (D 06, 07); Australian Financial Literacy Assesment (D 06); Bronze Medallion (07); Basketball, 16A MVP (06-07), 3rd grade MVP (07-08); Soccer, 10th grade MVP (09); Basketball (06-09), Rugby (06-07); Cross Country (08); Soccer (09) Sir Roden Cutler Charity; Jeans for Genes; Daffodil Day; Legacy Week; Investor, Entrepreneur.

YOUNG James: First Maths Extension 1 (08) ICAS – Financial Literacy (D 06); ICAS – English (D 05-06); ICAS – Science (D 04, 06); AMC (08) Soccer (08-09); Tennis (07-09); Cross Country (07) Sir Roden Culter Charity; Veterinary.

YU Timothy: SRC (04, 08-09); Peer Mentor (08); Peer Mediator (07); Peer Support Leader (06); Charities Committee Year Representative (05-06); Library Monitor (04-06); Parking Assistant (06-09), SRC Uniform Leader (08); Archives Monitor (05-07); Gardening Volunteer (04-06); Chess Club (05-07); Charities Committee (05-08); Amnesty International Committee (08); Recycling Committee (06-07); YA (08); German Filmmaking Project (05); Science Film Production (07); GPS Debating (04-06); Chairperson/Timekeeper (04-06); Bronze Medallion (04); Silver Medallion (05) SBHS Chess Tournment 3rd Place (05); Gold Medallion (06); School Plaque (07); School Trophy (08); Academic Achievement (07); AMC (HD 04, 07; D 05); MCS (HD 06-07); MCYA (HD 07); ICAS-Geography (D 07), ICAS-Science (HD 08; D 04-05, 07); ICAS-English (D 04-06); ICAS-Writing (D 06); Financial Literacy Competition (D-06); Intermediate

Division Winners in GPS Secondary Schools Chess Tournament (07); Rubie House Badge (06); Most Successful Singles Player Tennis Award (06); Best and Fairest Tennis Award (07); Basketball (04-06); Fencing (04); Volleyball (06-08); 16A's Tennis (07); 16's Tennis Captain (07); 2nd Grade Tennis (08-09); CHS Table Tennis Representative (09); The Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal (04); Stewart House (04); Jeans for Genes (05-07); Boggabilla Central School (05, 07) Lak Saviya Foundation (06) Sir Rodlen Cutler Charities (07); Father Riley's Youth Off the Streets (08); Clean Up Australia Day (08); Starlight Foundation (07-08); Daffodil Day (07-08); Sydney Legacy Day (07-08); Walk Against Global Warming (08); Heart Foundation (07-08); White Ribbon Day (08); Oasis (09); Veterinarian, Human Resources Manager.

YIU Michael: Recycling committee, Gardening committee, Charity committee Bronze medal (05), Silver medal (06), Gold medal (07) ICAS- Science (D 04,06), ICAS-English (D 07), ICAS- Computer (HD 07, D 06), ICAS Financial (D 06), NCQ (HD 07, D 06), Assment of (Chinese) Language Competence (HD in reading and D in listening in year of 07), National Chinese Eisteddfod (certificate of merit in year of 06), AMC (HD 06 D 04,07,09) 16C Basketball (06-07), MVP basketball (14B and 16C) Basketball (04-09), Captain 14B Basketball (04-05) Daffodil Day (08), Jeans for Genes Day (08,09), Sir Roden Cutler charity, Oasis (09) Accountant

YUAN Ike: AMC (HD 04-05, 08; D06); ICAS – Science (D 04-09); ICAS – Computer Studies (D 04-05); MCYA (04-06); MCS (04-06); NCQ (D 05, 08); Nation Australian Geo Comp (HD 05); Soccer (05-09); Sir Roden Cutler Charities.

ZHANG Geoffrey: Peer Mediator (08); Peer Support Leader (07); President of the Economics Society (09); Library Monitor (09); Sydney High School Cadet Unit (04-08); CDT (04-05); CDT CPL (05-07); CDTSGT (07-08); Recycling Committee (08-09); Exoday Committee (06); Amnesty International (09); Anzac Day Marching Band (07-09); Jazz Band (04-05); Guitar Ensemble (04-05); Junior Strings (04); Debating (04-05); 1st in Chinese (Community) (05); School Trophy (09); ICAS – English (HD 05, D 06); ICAS – Writing (HD 06); ICAS – Science (HD 06, 08, D 04-05, 07); ICAS – Computer Skills (D 05-07); ICAS – Financial Literacy (D 06); PwC Australian Economics Comp (D 08); National Geographic Geography Comp (D 06); AMC (D 04, 06-09) Music Pocket; Football (05-09); Captain 10th Grade (09); Player of the Year – 10th Grade (09); Tennis (06-07); Rowing (05); Rifle Shooting (04); Legacy Day; Daffodil Day; Jeans for Genes Day; Oasis; Sir Roden Cutler Charities; Amnesty International Fundraising; Army reserves officer; Solicitor.

ZHOU Michael: AMC (HD 04, D 05-09); ICAS – Writing (D 08 & 06); ICAS – Computer Studies (D 07); ICAS – Science (D 04-09); Australian Geography Competition (HD 05, D 06-07); Australian Financial Literacy Assessment (HD 06); Cricket (04); Rowing (04-05); Fundraising for Sir Roden Cutler Charity Day; Jeans for Genes Day; Fundraising for The Oasis Australia Charity Day; Civil Engineer.

ZHANG Shorson: National Chinese Eisteddfod (05-07); Dux of Chinese (06-07); School Plaque (08); ASSC (HD 07; D 04-05, 09); NCQ (D 04, 06, 08); AMC (D 04-07); ASCSC (D 05-07); AGC (D 05); AFLA (HD 06); ACER Chinese ALC (HD 07); National Chinese Eisteddfod 3rd Place Individual Division (05-06); Australian School Cup Division 2 Bronze (06), Silver (08); NSWCHS Volleyball Champions (09); NSWCHS Regional Volleyball Runners Up (09); Basketball (04-09); Volleyball (04-09); 2nd Grade Volleyball (06-07); 1st Grade Volleyball (08-09); Member of Volleyball Team for Australian Schools Cup to Melbourne (04-09); NSWCHS Regional Sydney East Volleyball Team (09); Legacy Day; Jeans for Genes Day; Daffodil Day; Sir Roden Cutler Charity; Oasis; Australian Red Cross Blood Drive; Mechanical Engineer.

ZHONG Tim: SRC (09) School Choir (04-05) National Chinese Eisteddfod (Group 3rd 09) Gold Medal (07) AMC (HD 09); ICAS – Writing (D 05 & 08); ICAS – Financial Literacy (D 06); ICAS – Computer Studies (D 07); ICAS – Science (D 04 & 05) Basketball MIP (15D's & 16D's) Basketball (06-09) 2nd Grade (08-09); Tennis (04-06); Soccer (04-09) Jeans for Genes Day; Daffodil Day; Red Cross Blood Donor; Bankstown Children's Multicultural Festival Volunteer Dentist/Orthodontist

ZHANG Victor: Peer Support Leader (07) Peer Mediator (08) Peer Mentor (08) Basketball (04 & 07) Volleyball (06) Jeans for Genes, Sir Roden Cutler, OASIS Pharmacist

ZHANG Wayne: Library Monitor (04-05) Vocalease (04-05), Intermediate Concert Band (04) AMC (D 05-08), ICAS-English (D 04,07), ICAS-Computer Studies(D 07), NCQ (D 08) Basketball (04-05), Soccer (04-05) Legacy, Sir Roden Cutler, Oasis, Chemical Engineer

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BROKMAN Andre Marc, CHEUNG Brendan Lok Hin, DENNY-SMITH George Angus, DU Jonathan James, GEORGE Adarsh, GOH Vincent Yikhon, HAN James Qiu, HO Aaron Ambrose, JIANG Clinton Gin Hin, KHAN Mohammad Raiyan, KIM Seung Whan Sean, KOERBER Alex, LAU Andy, LE Michael, LI Benjamin, LU Hong, MORENO Mario Renato, NAIR Joshua, PHAM John Xuan Vinh, SIMOS Paul Christopher, SIVASUBRAMANIAM Rehan Joel, SMITH-LIGHT Daniel Gerard, SUH Joshua, SUN Edward, TRAN Tony, TUGNAIT Mohit, VITHANAGE Avindu Lakranga, WAN Wei-Sean, WANG Tony, WONG Erick, XIE Andy En Wei, YUNG Scott.

Class 11R

AYLMER Liam Christopher, BI Richard, BLOMBERG Andrew, BRAVERMAN Joseph, CHAN Justin Kuok Wai, DING Yu Jason, DO Michael Dac Thanh, FENG Alex, FENG Eric Zhen-Bang, FIO Oliver, FONG Matthew John, GAO Jun Jie, GU David, HSIAO Patrick, HUI Enoch, KAMAL Rafat, KELLY Brian Francis, KIM Daniel Young Houn, LAM Jeffrey, LEE Ronald, LI Frank, MCKAY Caillin, RADHAKRISHNAN Pravin, SLINKO Nikita, SURENDRAN Arun Varunan, TALEB Moustafa, TAYLOR Kieran, TIN-LOI Christopher, TRANG Derek, UBALDI Julian Walton, ZHANG David Xianwei, ZHANG Roger.

Class 11S

ACLIS John Christopher, ALI Shadman, CARR Michael Philip, CASTILLO Juan Miguel F, CHAN Gareth Wei Jie, ENCEL Benjamin Leigh Byron, GORDON Leo Michael, HAJJ Justin, KUMAR Shejil, LEE Michael, LEE William, LI Ivan, LI Lawrence, LIN Kai, LIN Richard, LIU Yixin, MA David, NGUYEN Jim Vinthe, PERERA Kishan Madhawa, RAMESH Ashwin, SANTUCCI Walter, SCHILLING Hayden Thomas, SILVEIRA Tony Shaun, TOOHEY James Michael, TRAN David, TRANG Bach Thien, VO Vinh Khang Joseph, WANG Guoxi Bill, WANG Nelson, XIAO Tony, YOON Stephen, ZHUANG Harry.

Class 11T

CABANILLA Brandon, CHAU Clarence Shu Tian, CHAWLA Angud Singh, CHEN James Ling Xiao, CHIEM Andy, GIM Sunggyu, GUO Zaine, GWYN Wystan Auden, HUANG Daniel Yung Hou, JIANG Jeffery, KUGENDRAN Abhinayan, LEE John, LIANG Justin, LIU Weibo, LU Ian, LU Robert, LY Benjamin, NG Aaron Gui Lun, NGUYEN Phillip Luan, NIU Guangzhi, PHUNG Matthew Huy, POON Jacky, TRAN Harry, UDDIN Arif Mohammed, WANG Leon, WANG Zidao Michael, WU Andrew, WU Oliver, YAN Bailey Yuxiao, YAN Ding, ZHANG Michael, ZHENG Kun William.

Student Representative Council



Student Representative Council

Back Row: D.Do, L.Nguyen, J.Lee, N.Spoljaric, J.Lui, S.Wang, E.Li.
Second Row: K.Wong, T.Zhong, V.Mohan, S.Boston, A.Wu, Y.Wong, S.Kinger, M.Wong, A.Guo, S.Noromha.
Front Row: Y.Ming, M.Nguyen, D.Nam, D.Chen (President), Ms B.Collignon (Facilitator), N.Wang, A.Ghose, N.Wong, M.Sin.
Seated on Ground: J.Leo, J.Vuong, D.Mah, D.Vo, H.Lam, D.Tam.

SRC Address

Thanks must go to the invaluable computer skills of Mr James Rudd and the enthusiasm shown by all students in the electronic voting polls, the SRC of 2009 has been elected without a hitch and as expected, everyone elected in both junior and senior years are capable and strong men. But as the SRC once again looks toward the future, its hard not reflect on the past and just what the SRC means to me personally.

The Student Representative Council is more then just a council. Some may think we are simply a meeting each Friday in room 707. But to me, being an SRC member is a network that lasts all year long, every day of the week. It's a high-five in the corridors. It's a joke in class or help with an upcoming exam. It's not just a council. The SRC is a brotherhood.

A brotherhood of men united by the same goal. And that goal is simple. To help the school that helped us first because Sydney Boys High School is not an ordinary school. An ordinary school will give you an education, but Sydney High gives you values. The core, noble values of manhood that builds persistence, strength and character. The ingrained ability to tackle our flaws and failures not by lamenting on what we did wrong, but how to improve next time. This holds true for all aspects of school life, whether it be academics, debating or sport.

This is why all SRC members, past and present, personally have my utmost respect. They are people who have taken part in the SRC's successes and failures in equal measure, born the burden of leadership and the brunt of criticism, but have never



Peer Mediation

Back Row: A.Paul, J.Sutton, K.Taylor, D.Edgtton.

Second Row: O.Fio, A.Brokman, P.Hsiao, B.Li, N.Slinko, P.Simos.

Front Row: R.Kamal, Y.Liu, J.Aclis, J.Rajendram, J.Chan, H.Schilling, P.Baweja

Student Representative Council

backed down in the face of adversity. They have shown the courage to try. They are truly a manifestation and an embodiment of what it means to wear the brown and the blue.

And on that note, I'd like to announce the junior / senior members of the SRC of 2009.

Year 7: Jason Leo, Shawn Noronha, Sunny Cheng, Joseph Lui, Jason Fan Zhang, Andrew He

Year 8: Hayden Lam, Dominic Mah, Daniel Tam, Danny Vo, Shuming Wang, Andrew Wu

Year 9: Simon Do, Eric Li, Lawrence Nguyen, Scott Rezenbrink, Jamian Vuong, Kah-Yang Wong

Year 10: Samuel Beston, Samir Kinger, Howard Tran, Michael Wong, Yale Wong, Isnad Zaman

Year 11: Dale Chen, Nelson Wang, Anirban Ghose, Austyn Guo, Vithushan Mohan, Matthew Phung

Year 12: James Lee, Matthew Nguyen, Michael Sin, Nevin Spoljaric, Timothy Yu, Tim Zhong

David Nam and Nick Wong as honorary members

I hope that these boys will receive not only your applause, but also your continued support throughout the year. Thank you.

David Nam



Peer Support

Back Row: R.McDonald, A.Gaffney, C.Jurlina, W.Stefanidis, S.Haque, H.Tran.

Fifth Row: J.Tang, S.Siddique, I.Khan, A.Mokdad, K.Lu, D.Chandra, J.Zhang, A.Ho, A.Jain, S.Cao, R.Caetano, H.Sit.

Fourth Row: H.Lu, T.Theivendran, T.Chan, Y.Wong, D.Wei, P.Lam, S.Subramaniam, S.Razeen, T.Gollan, W.Shao, G.Panas, D.Nguyen, A.Liao.

Third Row: D.Kim, B.Kok, L.Ming, L.Li, C.Chau, K.Phan, B.Cheng, K.Cheng, M.So, L.Lu, A.Chin, A.Zhong, B.Ou.

Second Row: R.Zhai, C.Do, A.Ly, K.Qian, J.Xu, D.Chen, C.Price, F.Pharm, I.Bari, M.Kobras, V.Le, G.Li, C.Pan.

Front Row: M.Phung, A.Chung, W.Hung, G.Wong-Romeo, T.Diep, K.Gunuratne, Ms B.Berger (Coordinator), P.Castillo, V.Wang, L.Lou, V.George, P.Tran, F.Lin.

Welfare Report

Wellbeing 2009

People sometimes ask me what the job of the Head Teacher Student Welfare and the School Welfare team is and I often reply to that question by saying it is mostly about the wellbeing of students. The Department of Education has recently rejuvenated their terminology in this area and officially recognised the term "Wellbeing" as the correct description of everything involved in the area of student welfare. At Sydney Boys, this terminology is quite appropriate because our Welfare programs encompass such a wide variety of activities which focus primarily on maintaining and improving student wellbeing.

Our *Values Education Program* is a terrific example of how student wellbeing is a central concern for the decision about material to be included. A review, undertaken by teachers parents and students, enabled us to create a Years 7 – 9 course which is a blend of performance coaching (study skills, exam preparation, time management), literacy and media study (using Australian Children's Television Foundation material), leadership development, as well as topics most suitable for encouraging healthy lifestyles. In Year 10 a *Senior Transition* course extends beyond the junior program to promote leadership in action, planning for success as well as health and safety issues for emerging adults.

Each year we supplement our Values Ed. Program by including visits from Brainstorm Productions (DET approved Theatre in Education Group) to present entertaining and informative plays which challenge students to consider important issues related to adolescent development, relationships and social harmony. In Term 1 we had our first presentation for 2009. All Year 8 students saw the current production of *'Verbal Combat'* which highlights some of the complex issues surrounding harassment among our youth. The play is not intended to solve the problem of conflict but is a useful point of reference to initiate anti-bullying strategies and discussion. Two of our Year 8 students presented reports about the play:-

"This play has a lot of messages about bullying and its effects. There are two people acting out four characters. The play is funny as well as smart and meaningful. It was about a new girl at school, called Emily, being bullied by two other girls. A character

called Katrina was really controlling another girl called Gabrielle but she didn't notice because she wanted to belong to the 'cool' group. There was lots of harassing Emily with hate mail and they stole her diary which contained her private thoughts. When Gabrielle realised that she was being used, she tries to return the diary to Emily, but she ran away in fear and fell over a railing, seriously hurting herself. This play tries to show how everyone is different and needs to be treated with respect. Bullying is wrong because the person being bullied will get hurt and the bully will also get into trouble. This is a worthwhile activity as we saw what it was like to be bullied and we learned that bullying is wrong." Nicholas Costa 8F

"Brainstorm productions are all about teaching secondary students about the affects of bullying and harassment. They have turned the tedious lessons of not bullying into a fun way to learn about discrimination for many children. Loud music, school setting, big props and quality voices promise mirth aplenty for children and teenagers. It's a promise delivered energetically. The new girl Emily is very intriguing and likes to be different from everyone else mainly because she isn't selected to be in one of the school's groups. Rocky and Gabrielle discriminate against Emily because she keeps a diary and is isolated from everyone else. I believe that Brainstorm productions are very helpful to the schools that they perform at because they show what's happening in the real world around them such as the discrimination of races and discrimination of people. What they are trying to say is that you can't judge people by what they look like but it's all about what's in their heart." Shuming Wang 8R

Year 9 saw Brainstorm's production of *'Cheap Thrills'*. This presentation examines the delicate issues surrounding drug and alcohol use, risk taking behaviour, making the right choices and taking responsibility for ones' actions.

"The play started with the main character raving on about things in his life. The way that he talked about things as striking as getting smashed with friends and coming home late at night so casually reminded me of the vast number of teenagers in Australia who hold that mentality. I thought that the elements in this first scene were quite familiar to any teenager, which showed that this main character could be any one of us. This confronted us as an audience, and already

presented a strong warning, through the main character's obvious stupidity to not take things that would give us 'Cheap Thrills', such as booze and drugs." Sam Marques 9F

'Sticks and Stones' is the Brainstorm production we choose for Year 7 because it tackles the important issues associated with bullying and developing positive relationships.

"The lessons in this production are very important and are to be learned by all students so that they may apply them to their everyday lives. They are invaluable to all students watching and it is indeed worth watching because the lessons could influence the way you respond towards bullying and aggression. The storyline and acting is humorous and makes a strong impact so that the audience will remember most of the story and the lessons. The acting is so well done that the play is almost like a real life event happening before your eyes. The excellent expressions and awesome drama also make the show a lot more interesting than a talk or a lecture." Joseph Lui 7M

As well as Brainstorm Productions, we have a group known as Motivational Media visit the school once a year to present their latest production to all Sydney Boys High students. Their giant screens are 13 metres wide and together with a state of the art sound system they create a spectacular cinema style experience which captures and engages the audience. This year they presented 'Rebound' which focused on the issue of resilience. It showed 4 people telling their real life stories about how they reacted to misfortune and hardship and the presentation also related some important philosophies for students to consider (eg. Confucius "Our greatest glory is not in never failing, but in rising every time we fall." and Albert Einstein, "In the middle of every difficulty lies opportunity.") Another Year 8 student had this to say about the presentation:

"This presentation was effective because it presented quite recent stories and some things were very relevant to us as young teenagers. The most effective and touching stories were the story of Hannah, a girl suffering from depression, the story of Anna Meares and her recovery from her spinal injury, and the story of Ali who had to come back from being an outcast by learning how great it really is to be Australian. In short, these stories are well presented in a way that we can understand, and we can relate to them. This is an effective way of getting the message across that you

can rebound from anything, and you can make up for your mistakes." Oliver Kirk 8F

Combined with the Motivational Media presentation was a short talk by each of the groups who benefit from the Community Service group fundraising efforts. We heard from representatives of Stewart House (Yr 7), Jeans for Genes (Yr 8), Bogabilla Central School (Yr 9), Sir Roden Cutler Charities (Yr 11) and Oasis (Yr 12). Ms Kaye (Community Service Coordinator) organised each of these people to speak to the school to raise awareness about the need to keep our efforts going to assist with essential research and financial aid to these organisations. On Tuesday 24th March a mufti day and fundraising bar-b-que was held to raise money for Bogabilla Central School and another was held on Tuesday 7th April for Stewart House. Other very successful fundraising days have been held throughout the year but the most outstanding effort was the collection made by our Year 12 students in their last few days at school. They raised a staggering \$10,000 for Oasis and they must be congratulated on this amazing effort. An Oasis representative attended the Year 12 farewell assembly to collect the funds raised and to formally thank the boys who went to so much trouble to make their final days at the school such a positive time for those less fortunate.



A representative from Oasis congratulates Year 12 for raising over \$10,000.

SBHS provides students with many opportunities to develop and apply their leadership skills.

The **Prefect** roles and the process for prefect nomination and election have been further refined

and voting took place online this year. The **Student Representative Council (SRC)** has been very active, under the supervision of Ms Collignon and a strong Executive team, initiating and coordinating many projects and events throughout the year. They too have strengthened their nomination and communication procedures by keeping everyone in contact and up to date via the website. The **Community Service Committee** has also been extremely busy organising fundraising events for the charities we support and with advocacy for Amnesty International. In 2009 a **Leadership training program** was provided to most of these students which was run by an external provider (Rising Generations). All students who participated in the program gave positive feedback about the valuable skills and knowledge they gained as a consequence of their participation.

Peer Mediation continues under the supervision of Ms Barr and is becoming a more popular alternative for conflict resolution each year. Students have reported some very positive outcomes as a result of their accessing and supporting the program.

Peer Support leaders again worked as mentors for the new Year 7 intake during Term 1. Students and parents have made very encouraging comments about how helpful this program is in assisting during the potentially difficult time of transition from Primary School to High School. We congratulate our Year 10 Peer Support Leaders and Ms Berger, who coordinates this group, for their hard work and for providing such an important and successful program.

The **High Resolves** Initiative continued with students in Years 9 and 10 receiving leadership training including units on "Conflict Resolution" and "Collective Action", as well as leading groups of Year 8 students in the HRI programs "Collective Identity" and "Justice". Mr Coan and the High Resolves representatives carefully plan and organise events to ensure the program runs effectively each year and new leaders are constantly being trained to replace previous groups.

In 2009 the Year 11 High Resolves group decided to continue their work in a very practical way by becoming more overtly involved with a chosen community group. Anirban Ghose and Yixin Liu presented this report on behalf of the whole group:

"Year 11 High Resolves undertook an initiative originating within the group to actively showcase the leadership and teamwork skills that we'd learnt and developed from the High Resolves program. Sir Roden Cutler Charities was the focus of our project and from the outset we were all very keen on being involved with this wonderful charitable organisation. Our enthusiasm originated from the fact that Sir Roden Cutler Charities is the Year 11 nominated charity and this project provided us with the hands on experience that we all wanted."

Sir Roden Cutler Charities provides a number of crucial relief services to members of our community suffering from disability, distress, helplessness, misfortune, poverty and sickness. Services include the 'Pick Me Up' transport service, 'Special Circumstances Grants' and the 'Caring for Carers' program. They specialise in



Prefect Induction – Prefect internship includes formal leadership training.

helping those in need who have nowhere else to turn. They also hold special events such as the Wheel Chair Roll around NSW and the prestigious Sir Roden Cutler Charity Dinner, both of which the High Resolves students took part in.

The Sir Roden Cutler Charities project involved us being driven down, by their 'Pick Me Up' vans, to their newly established community centre in Paddington. The community centre had only just been reopened to the public and it was in need of some refurbishments. With the effective coordination of efforts and the clear delegation of tasks we managed to successfully transform the courtyard and thus creating a more welcoming atmosphere for visitors. We also re-arranged the downstairs library and helped create the lucky draw prizes for the Sir Roden Cutler Dinner. Aside from these major tasks we also cleaned, renovated, learnt how to make coffee, aided the dance and art classes and re-established recreational facilities such as the table tennis room. A number of us were fortunate enough to accompany the 'Pick Me Up' drivers and assist them with their transportation services.

This year, due to the work we had done at the Sir Roden Cutler Community Centre, the High Resolves group were asked to help at the Sir Roden Cutler Charity dinner. Over 400 guests were invited, including Glenn McGrath, Steve Waugh, Jack Thompson and many other famous sportsmen and entertainers. This was a very prestigious duty for us. The night involved us selling medals, which raised money for the charity, and helping out in the different events during the night, such as the auction. We had a great time and were proud ambassadors for the school, raising nearly \$100,000. All of us were lucky enough to meet and talk to the

guests making the night unforgettable. We are hoping to be among the invited guests in the future.

We are all thankful to Sir Roden Cutler Charities to for allowing us to develop our leadership and life skills and hope it has been beneficial to our community. The High Resolve group is looking forward to helping the charity in the future."

This year we have also worked towards a more effective and inclusive Sun Safe policy by ensuring every student has a hat and sunscreen in their school bag each day. A combined effort between school and home will help communicate the important message to our students about the dangers associated with unprotected exposure to the sun.

The Award Scheme continues to be an important indicator of the ongoing and increasing commitment of our students to community service and leadership development within the school. We are proud of our record of achievement in every area of participation whether it be setting and achieving new goals on the sporting field or making a difference within the community. The hard work and dedication of the year advisers (Mr Devlin, Ms Berger, Ms Lim, Ms Gilmore, Ms Crothers, Mr Codey, Mr Storey) and the whole Wellbeing team means we are able to offer quality welfare programs and effective support to students across all years and across a wide variety of initiatives. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all my colleagues who have given so generously of their time and energy in 2009 to ensure the wellbeing of the young men in our care.

John Walker
(Head Teacher Student Welfare)



Dr Jaggar presents Award Scheme medals to Year 11.

Community Service

2009 has been very eventful in the world of the Community Service Committee (CSC). A number of key changes have occurred ranging from the appointment of Ms Kaye (English dept.) as the permanent teacher liaison of CSC, to the radical changes of the leadership elections and the move to support the Salvation Army's OASIS project. The major development in the CSC in 2009 has been the introduction of the shadow system. The newly developed system was created in order to generate an ease of transition once the current leaders had left. The system involved electing shadow executives in the positions of Chairperson, Treasurer, Secretary and Publicity Officer. In these roles the elected Year 11 students would learn from the current executives through a mentoring process.

Once the roles of the executives were established the CSC undertook planning for the first fund raising BBQ in support of Stewart House. Through this

event the CSC were able to make a profit of over \$500, this gave us a total over \$2200 for the Mufti Day and BBQ combined.

Following the success of the first BBQ the CSC together with the prefect body organised an additional BBQ and Mufti Day for the Victorian Bushfire appeal. With the approval of Dr Jagger this event raised a staggering \$2630.50 for the cause.

A special mention must go to Leonard Teng and James Lee for organising the Worlds Greatest Shave raising \$6988.62 a marvellous effort, as well as Benjamin Lu and Brian Lau for organising the Blood Drive which saw over 50 senior students donate blood. Along with the consistent 50 plus volunteers for Jeans for Genes day, Daffodil day and Legacy day the school has reached a grand total of \$192,237.44 since 2001. A huge thankyou goes to Ms Kaye for all her help.

Panduka Manamperi, Chairperson



Sydney Boys High School Parent and Citizens Association (P&C) Report

More than any other GPS school, the ability of Sydney Boys High to achieve its objective of developing scholar sportsmen, depends on the involvement of parents. Because of the increasing contribution of parents in school activities, the 2009 year has been very successful for Sydney Boys High P&C. Highlights include the second successful Chinese New Year High community function hosted by the P&C, the launch of a comprehensive P&C website linked to the School's website and record profits contributed to the School, through the P&C, by the Canteen.

All of us tremendously appreciate the efforts and contribution of the P&C Executive. Thank you to Geoff Andrews (Vice President and Treasurer), Seh Hang H'ng (Vice President), Shirley Tickner (Secretary) and Deborah Cassell (Secretary) for their time, energy and support throughout the year. Thank you to Fabienne Ovadia (Welfare Committee Representative) and Alice Paul (Car Parking Co-ordinator) for their valuable contributions in these capacities.

Year Group (7 to 12) parent representatives also attend P&C Executive meetings each month. Their contributions and support have been invaluable in assisting the P&C to identify specific year issues and to advance the best interests of the School and its students.

P&C Funding Contributions to School Programs

Over \$130,000 has been donated to the School during the year and this figure does not include funds raised by the P&C's Co-Curricular Sub-Committees for the direct support of the sport or activity they are working for. This unprecedented level of financial support to School programs has been made possible through a combination of P&C membership fees, provision of event car parking within the school grounds, funds raised by whole School community events and profits from the School Canteen.

Special thanks to the Canteen Sub-Committee, led by Christina Chow, who together with the permanent Canteen staff and our large group of parent volunteers, have delivered record profits back to the School. The dedication and energy of

the Canteen team continue to produce outstanding dividends from year to year.

The P&C has contributed to School programs including: installation of data projectors and sound systems in classrooms (\$15,000); replacement of textbooks (\$18,000); fourth annual repayment of the loan for the tennis court redevelopment (\$10,000); fund for replacement of the school bus in 2010 (\$25,000); replacement of data logging equipment for senior science classes (\$7,000); new sporting equipment (\$17,000); solar panning and electrical infrastructure (\$10,000); new photocopier (\$8,000) and contribution to the SBHS Building Fund for the new Library & Multi-Purpose Centre (\$22,000).

There is a growing band of committed members of the P&C who have assisted in exceptional and numerous ways to make these P&C funding contributions possible. Particular mention and our warmest thanks to Barbara Taylor who continues to contribute in many capacities 'behind the scenes'. Thank you to Charles Ovadia, Seh Hang H'ng and their team of organisers for delivering another successful Chinese New Year High community celebration. Their efforts and all those who attended have helped further enrich the High community.

Co-Curricular Sub-Committees

Parent involvement is the backbone of the organisation and fundraising for the many Co-Curricular sports and cultural activities available to High students, which are not available at other public schools. Thank you to all the Co-Curricular Sub-Committees and their parent volunteers, for their exceptional efforts throughout 2009.

Co-Curricular Sub-Committees raised substantial car parking revenues to provide coaching, equipment and facilities for each activity. Significant progress has been made in the organisation of Co-Curricular activities to keep parents involved and informed - in particular through the use of gmail accounts specific to each group. Involvement in Co-Curricular Sub-Committees continues to provide parents with opportunities to maximise their contribution to their son's education, from volunteering for car parking or BBQ rosters through to chairing a Sub-Committee.

Early in the year, the P&C hosted a combined meeting for all Co-Curricular Sub-Committees which produced guidelines for consistent Sub-Committee organisation, fundraising efforts and interfaces with the School. Ongoing communication and cooperation between Co-Curricular Sub-Committees to identify common issues and successful strategies, is a key to the P&C's support of High as a GPS school.

P&C Website

The meeting identified that an important need was a central information resource for parents to access, to avoid 'reinventing the wheel' when new volunteers took on Sub-Committee roles such as car parking coordination or the organisation of a particular P&C event such as the 'Welcome to New Parents' evening. The P&C, with the invaluable guidance of Steven Saunders, David Isaacs and James Rudd, established a P&C website directly linked to the School's website. An intranet Parents Portal accessed via password through the P&C website is now the archive for all P&C and Co-Curricular Sub-Committee information for parent volunteers. We will progressively add to the archive. Thank you to all those involved, for your time and energy in establishing this resource.

Ongoing P&C Projects

The P&C Executive and Year Group representatives worked hard through the year on several ongoing P&C projects that will carry over into 2010. These include:

1. Broadening recycling within the School, in cooperation with the SRC and School Council.
2. Refurbishing the Staff Common Room, in cooperation with the School Council and High Staff.
3. Increasing community participation in whole School events.
4. Expanding central P&C archives and Co-Curricular Sub-Committee information database that is accessed through the School intranet-based Parents Portal, for use by volunteer parents.
5. Expanding the Monthly Giving Program.

P&C Representation on the Sydney High School Foundation

Another key area of activity for the P&C is its representation on the Sydney High School Foundation. Sincerest thanks for the tremendous contributions made to the business of the Foundation by Shane Brown (Foundation Chair), Mark Paul, David McDonald (Foundation Secretary) and Geoff Andrews. They identified parent community requirements in the planned refurbishment of the Great Hall kitchen and made significant input to establish marketing and operations models that maximise volunteer input, for each of the Foundation's assets.

P&C Representation on the School Council

Thank you to Charles Ovadia, Steven Saunders and Seh Hang H'ng who represented the P&C at School Council meetings. At Council, the P&C contributed its views on the School's sun-safe policy and the new Senior Library. Through the Council, the P&C identified Staff requirements in the refurbishment of the Staff Common Room and worked with the SRC on broadening the School's recycling commitment.

During the year, the parent community also participated on selection panels for the appointment of two important executive positions within the school – Deputy Principal and Head Teacher-Sport.

There is a tremendous level of cooperation and common purpose between Dr Jaggar, the School Executive and Staff, the School Council, the Foundation, the SHS Old Boys Union and the P&C. We thank all of these individuals and organisations for their interest and support of the P&C throughout the year and look forward to our combined efforts during 2010.

Thank you to all in the High community who have assisted in some way throughout the year. Every contribution great or small is vital, significant and valued. Our School community is noticeably and directly benefitted by your involvement.

On behalf of the P&C, I extend our warmest thanks to Dr Jaggar and the Staff at High who continue to provide a stimulating and enriching school environment for our sons and to guide the School in our shared ethos to develop scholar sportsmen.

Julie Connolly, President

Old Boys Union

Throughout the past 12 months, the Old Boys' Union has adhered to its primary aim of keeping Old Boys in touch; in touch with each other, in touch with their old school and in touch with members of other GPS schools. We have achieved this through our regular e-Bulletins, *The High Bulletin* and the OBU website – <http://www.shsobu.org.au>.

The annual general meeting, on 28 April 2009, saw a large number of new faces join the OBU's governing body, the Executive Council. The new members represent a broad cross-section of Old Boys, coming from leaving years 1964-2005. This new influx of willing helpers has already spread the work load of the OBU more equitably, particularly in the area of the Secretary's responsibilities. I would like to place on record my appreciation of **Garry McIvor** (1964), **Doug Richards** (1974), and **Viv Littlewood** (1952) who have taken on some of the tasks previously borne solely by **Colin Sherwood** (1974).

The Executive Council is now turning its attention to increasing the profile of Old Boys and the OBU in the School community and of increasing the opportunities for interaction between the past and current students. In this respect, it is encouraging to note the School's recent recognition of Old Boy achievement in two projects that have advanced with the Principal's full support:

1. The first two sets of honour boards recognising old boy members of the Order of Australia (OAMs and AMs) have now been unveiled before groups of eminent Old Boys following the Foundation Day assemblies in 2008 and 2009.
2. The first of the post-1945 conflicts honour boards was unveiled at the School's 2009 Anzac commemoration, honouring the Old Boys who served in the Korean War.

Among those who have not continued on the Executive Council this year, I particularly want to

recognise **Ken Clemens's** contribution as treasurer over many years to both the OBU and the Foundation. I cannot adequately express how grateful the whole School community has been for Ken's quiet professionalism in managing the finances of the Foundation. **James Solomons** (1998) has now taken on the position of treasurer.

The past year or so has been a difficult time financially for the OBU with the global financial crisis severely depleting our investment income. I would like to express my appreciation of the Old Boys who have joined with me in contributing generously to ensure that the OBU-funded prizes will continue to be awarded at Speech Nights while our investments recover.

The Executive Council is also now undertaking a review of the OBU's constitution which has been found wanting in several respects over the past couple of years. The review committee is aiming to produce a more accessible document that better meets the contemporary needs of the OBU.

Another important role for the OBU is the supply of delegates to the School's governance bodies.

I would like to record my personal appreciation of all those who have performed these roles over 2008-2009: On the Foundation, **Ken Clemens** (1955), **Graeme Anderson** (1979), and **Karl Kruszelnicki** (2005); and on the School Council, **Dennis Briggs** (1967). I would also like to thank **John Pointing** (1962) and **Mark Livingston** (1969) who have acted as alternate delegates. Mark has also performed the important role of delegate to the GPS OBU. **Ross Bowey** (1974) has now taken on this responsibility.

In concluding, I would like to thank all those Old Boys and other supporters who have committed to ensuring the OBU's future relevance both to Old Boys and to the School.

Joseph Waugh
President

Sydney Boys High School Canteen

In its early days the Sydney Boys High School Canteen was staffed by members of the Ladies Auxillary. Times have changed and we now have mothers and fathers in our loyal band of canteen volunteers. We are truly fortunate these working parents of our school community still see the value in helping a parent run canteen like ours survive. Our thanks go to these dedicated helpers who expertly juggle their work commitments so they can join us once a month on their canteen roster day. Many a precious rostered day off from work has been sacrificed for canteen duty. Such generosity is how we are able to continue to raise much needed funds to support the many worthwhile projects around the school. We also greatly appreciate the

assistance of our Prefect helpers who help us through the recess and lunch time rush.

But of course we do not forget the true purpose of our canteen – to ensure our young men are adequately nourished so they can engage in effective learning. While a sub committee of the P & C Association oversees the canteen, our dedicated canteen supervisors Karen Barry and Tracey Trompp, continue to efficiently manage its day to day operations. Under their watchful eyes the canteen menu has evolved and now incorporates a wider variety of freshly made foods reflecting cuisines from different cultures.

Christina Chow
President, Canteen Committee



Librarians

Back Row: Mrs J.O'Hare, J.Ma, I.Li, W.Ho, J.Ng, Ms S.Schleederer.

Front Row: K.Zhang, I.Ho, W.Wu, N.Spoljaric, J.Lam, H.Zhu, V.Shah.

The Andrews Junior Library

2009 has been a year of momentous changes for the Andrews Library at High. Firstly our little 1960s library, which was pre-computer, pre-Internet and pre Web 2 tools, in design, and which had catered for the whole 1200 boys in this selective school, has become a junior library (with one rather important difference). The difference is that this small library still houses books for the whole school.

The separation into junior and senior schools has seen the creation of a senior's cyber library in the half of the senior study previously allocated to the senior boys. While not actually adding any overall space to the school this has increased library space by $\frac{3}{4}$ again. Library overcrowding had been a vexed issue for the previous 8 years. The senior study had been built to overcome this problem and is now being used to its full capability. The change to a cyber librarian supervised cyber library space was very much needed and has proved invaluable to senior boys

Additional facilities - computers, furniture – lounges and shelving and a new colour copier/printer and printing cost software have greatly improved the opportunities offered by the junior library to junior classes and self directed junior learners. The ten additional computers have allowed teachers to bring full classes in and for each boy to have his own computer. Also a teachers' computer has been added to the computer class area. All the moving of furniture and disposal of books involved in this ended up in improved organisation and layout especially of the catalogue computers and videos.

The Freddy Deer Room – which was formerly a shelf storage cupboard – has now added a small conference room to the Junior Library space. This has been well used by film groups and students needing special conditions for exams. A large built in cupboard on the landing has replaced this storage space.

Probably the most dramatic change to the Junior Library has come about with the federal Government's laptop handout to all Year 9 students. The Group Work Area is now full of boys using laptops in a more comfortable environment. This is a big improvement from the rather empty library after the senior boys decamped totally to the senior cyber library.

Along with the computers have come two lovely computer technicians Michael Silva and Anthony Azzi. These technicians reside at the Circulation Desk and are invaluable in assisting boys with technical difficulties and staff like myself who can do with a bit of assistance from computer experts.

Despite the removal of 600 customers from books library book loans are holding their own with 12,415 book loans over the 12 months from September last year till today. In fact compared to the same time last year book loans are down by 1167 since the end of seniors in the library. This is not as bad as expected. Our remarkable students have always been voracious readers thanks to the wide reading program and library marketing techniques and our loans outdo most local schools.

The junior library was used for 1114 hours for teaching lessons last year. 541 hours was 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 many thoughtful donations. The Andrews (book) library is always delighted to receive any annual home book clearances as donations to maintain our much used collection. A culling program ensures that the Library's Collection is no older than ten years old. Special efforts continue to be made to build a DVD collection for boys to borrow and to create a Graphic Novels collection to stimulate boys' interest. The Old Boys Collection continues to attract contributions and is housed at the beginning of the fiction shelves.

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.

Another Web 2 Tool to back up "Boys Reading" has been added to the Moodle /Web 2 Literacy Circles Reading program which has existed for the last 5 years. This is a book blog which will review the new books being added to the library and will hopefully appear on the Library section of the school website.

**Mrs Crothers,
Teacher Librarian, Andrews Library**

Cadet Report

2009 proved to be a year of successes and strengthening of the unit. With rising numbers and expectations the Cadet unit came under the new command of Officers Jack Wachsmann and Denis Stojanovic, commanders of 1 and 2 Platoon respectively. Under the command of Major Richard Knowles with the assistance of the newly appointed training officer 2LT Clegg the future of the unit appears to be secure. Unit strength rose steadily at the beginning of 2009 and was maintained at about 50 cadets throughout with diversifying training and increased commitment and creativity from senior instructors. What has emerged at the end of the year is a compact, well trained and disciplined cadre of cadets and instructors who will see the unit through many years of success I am sure.

CUOs Denis Stojanovic and Jack Wachsmann were panelled for the inaugural National Adventure Training Award which was to be held in Victoria but was moved to the Buckland Military Training Area in Tasmania due to the Victorian bushfires. The young officers proved that their rank duly reflected their experience and aptitude and both were awarded the coveted ATA boomerang.

At the 23 Battalion bivouac/shooting exercise "Best Shot", cadets were familiarised with the firing range and the F88 Austeyr, the Army's standard issue firearm, in live-fire shooting. The bivouac also presented an opportunity for SHSCU to enter the Chief of Army Challenge for the second year. The unit made its debut the previous year and although it did not win, it clearly made us known as a force to be reckoned with. In competition against six other units in the battalion, vying for the honour to represent at brigade level, SHSCU proved itself to be proficient in all areas of military skill including drill, navigation, radio communications, and military general knowledge. Subsequently, under the command of CUO Stojanovic, the SHSCU team was declared the victor and presented the striking 23 Bn Chief of Army Challenge trophy. At the time of writing the team is preparing for the NSW Brigade Challenge with high hopes of representing the brigade at the national competition.

Throughout 2009 SHSCU was eager to continue its committed support of Sir Roden Cutler Charities at the National Carer Care launch and wheelchair roll in Canberra and the wheelchair roll in Sydney. The unit has been and will continue to be proud to serve the legacy of Sir Roden Cutler in assisting the disabled and disadvantaged for the benefit of the community. It is a reinforcement of the sense civic duty that is fundamental to the service of every cadet.

The unit's finest were strongly represented at ANZAC Day ceremonies. As custodians of the 2/1 Royal Australian Artillery Field Regiment banner the unit provided a banner party commanded by CUO Wachsmann to carry on what I hope will become a long tradition in the ANZAC Day march through the streets of Sydney. Furthermore, for the second consecutive year the unit was invited to provide a guard and flag bearers for the opening ceremony to the ANZAC Day test match between St George Dragons and the Sydney Roosters.

This year the senior cadets were determined, more than ever before, to assert their leadership and command in all the activities of the unit. Unfortunately more and more within the AAC activities and the units themselves are being run and organised by adult staff rather than cadets. This is not the case at Sydney High with the adult staff serving as mentors for the senior leaders and officers of the unit. This was most evident in the holding of a Senior Mess Dinner in addition to the annual SHSCU Dinner. It was entirely organised and executed by and for the senior cadets under the administration of the Under Officers. The purpose was to reinforce the cadet relationships not only within the internal command structure of the unit but also to strengthen inter-unit diplomacy and cooperation with representative from several other units being invited. It was a success in both respects and is a testament to the quality of leadership and administrative ability within the unit.

CUO Denis Stojanovic

Adventure Training Award

In the first week of the Easter holidays CUO Stojanovic and I flew off to Tasmania to subject ourselves to the rigors of the Adventure Training Award assessment. This week long assessment, which is held in the rugged Buckland Military Training Area north of Hobart, is about as tough as we can make it in cadets. The pass rate very is low (a fail to qualify in any discipline means a march off from the rest of the assessment) thus only the fittest and best prepared cadets will qualify to wear the coveted ATA badge. Over the week we were put through a series of challenging activities which tested our knowledge and skills of leadership, navigation, first aid and living in the field.

Some of the activities thrown at us included a high ropes course, a water crossing activity, a survival exercise (during which we were forced to spend a night without any of our equipment in near freezing condition), a challenging physical training session designed to break our spirits and a casualty evacuation over tough terrain. However the highlight of the week was by far the patrol. As a part of our assessment we were required to patrol on foot in full patrol order tactically while carrying an F88 Austeyr rifle. This 18hr patrol forced us to navigate with map and compass over 25km while searching the ground and not being detected. The patrol, which was a mentally and physically exhausting activity in itself, finished with a sprint up the infamous (and never ending) heartbreak hill armed with rifles and being followed by a 4x4 ambulance for those that could not finish.

Although at times we were both pushed almost to breaking point, physically and mentally, the week ended on a high. We were both successful in our campaign and are now qualified to wear the coveted ATA Badge, the first at Sydney High since 2004. We received our award from Brigadier J. Withers, Commander of the Australian Army Cadets.

CUO Jack Wachsmann

Sydney High School Cadet Unit 2009

Officer Commanding:

Major Richard Knowles

2IC and Training Officer:

2nd Lieutenant Clegg

1 Platoon Commander:

Cadet Under Officer Jack Wachsmann

2 Platoon Commander:

Cadet Under Officer Denis Stojanovic

Company Sergeant Major:

WO2 Johan Santos

Company Quartermaster Sergeant:

SSGT Aditya Hatle

Storeman:

SGT Isaac Eveleigh

Company Clerk:

LCPL Ben Lee

IT Clerk:

LCPL Brendan Leo

1 Platoon Sergeant:

SGT Michael Do

2 Platoon Sergeant:

SSGT Samuel Binns

Section Commanders:

CPL J Nguyen, CPL A Saunders, CPL A Gong, CPL W Santucci, CPL A Low

Sections 2ICs:

LCPL N Ooi, LCPL T Chew, LCPL D Tran, CDT V Ye, LCPL B Jian



Cadet Officers and Senior NCOs

Sgt I.Eveleigh, WOII J.Santoso, CUO D.Stojanovic, CUO J.Wachsmann, Ssgt A.Hatle, Sgt M.Do.



Cadet Unit

Back Row: *Lcpl D.Tran, Cpl J.Nguyen, Lcpl B.Leo, Cpl A.Low, Cdt J.Lee, Cdt S.Biscevic, Cpl A.Saunders, Cpl A.Gong, Cpl W.Santucci, Cdt W.Dang, Cdt K.Li.*

Second Row: *Cdt J.Ma, Lcpl B.Jian, Cdt B.Mo, Cdt J.Lu, Cdt S.Lin, Cdt A.Feng, Cdt R.Tran, Cdt B.Leung, Cdt E.Ly, Cdt K.Jiang, Cdt V.Ye, Cdt A.Chan.*

Front Row: *Lcpl B.Lee, Cdt T.Havier, Cdt M.Zhang, Sgt M.Do, WOII J.Santoso (CSM), CUO J.Wachsmann (1 Platoon Commander), CUO D.Stojanovic (2 Platoon Commander), Ssgt A.Hatle (CQMS), Sgt I.Eveleigh (Storeman), Lcpl N.Ooi, Lcpl T.Chew*

Duke of Edinburgh Award

On the 17th and 18th of December in 2008, a Sydney Boys group accomplished the adventurous journey category of the Bronze Duke of Edinburgh award. Completion of the Duke of Edinburgh programme requires persistence and determination. An adventurous journey or a hike is one of the four categories required to achieve the award. Our hike was along the serene coast of the Royal National Park, and was organised by Mr Andrew Fuller, who provided us with vital information to prepare us for the two day adventure.

In total, thirteen students and two staff members set out on the expedition including: Liam Aylmer, Oliver Fio, Rafat Kamal, Antony Paul, Maxwell Phillis, Nikita Slinko and Joshua Sutton from Year 10. Lawrence Cai, Thomas Diep, Kumudika Gunaratne, Pasan Pannila, and Oliver Sabau from Year 9. Tejas Iyer from Year 8 also attended. The accompanying staff consisted of Mr Andrew Fuller and Ms Miri Jassy.

The 26km Coast track, as its name states, lies along the coast of the Royal National park. It is ranked a medium difficulty track over beaches, dense forests, and cliffs. Our first day consisted approximately 18km of walking with the final day having 8km. The final destination was Otford Station, from where we returned to our homes.

Preparations for the trip involved moderately heavy, large bags for us. However, one or two managed to contain all their rations and gear inside a Sydney High school bag. On the morning of the 17th of December we gathered at Central station, caught a train to Cronulla and then a ferry to Bundeena. From Bundeena wharf, we took a quick toilet break since we would not have the luxury of real toilets until the end of the hike. With the blistering sun shining on us, the walk through the streets from the wharf to the entrance of the National Park was enough to tire all of us!

We hadn't been walking for too long before we were welcomed by stunning views of sandstone cliffs and the waves crashing upon the rocks. Taking a breather (and pictures on our camera phones) we continued on. The cool breeze of the coast provided relief against the hot sun and heavy packs. After gaining a few kilometres towards our destination, we stopped for morning tea at Marley Head, with its stunning views of Big Marley and Little Marley beaches. Morning tea was different for everybody,

with a variety of snacks including nutritional bars, bananas, and my own favourite, tiny teddies. This break did not last however and we were off again trudging over steep hills which quickly triggered our hunger once more.

It was not until Wattamolla that we took a break for lunch. After eating lunch and witnessing a group of people diving from a 10m high cliff into the Wattamolla lagoon, everybody wanted to relax in the water. We spent more than 2 hours enjoying the water. Some of us even did 5m dives. The afternoon sun was a lot kinder to us, hidden behind a few clouds. We continued walking to Curracarrang and Curracurrong.

We passed impressive views of the coast as we descended down to Garrie beach. Our overnight destination of the North Era Campsite was now only one steep hill away, after we passed the beach. The following morning we woke up with sore legs and heavy heads from the tough sleeping conditions.

We set off, relieved that our bags were now lighter. Crossing rock platforms beside beaches, and dodging water puddles, we followed the track to another and reached a dense jungle-like area which marked the beginning of the Jungle Track. We took our last look at the beach and proceeded into the jungle. According to our maps the Jungle Track appeared to be only 1 kilometre long. However, this was most definitely not the case. This '1 kilometre' track took almost an hour due to the constant steep slopes and difficult terrain. The unclear track, confused many members of our expedition group and the end always appeared to be just over the next hill. Thankfully we managed to find the Otford lookout after asking passing locals.

On the final few kilometres the beach was generally in sight, and a few animals were sighted. We crossed more joggers, and each told us we were not far off the end of the coast track. As nearly all of us had run out of water, the first sounds of a car gave the group confidence that the end was near. The pain of our limbs still remained, so we rested flat on the soft grass or sat on the man-made fence. A sense of satisfaction overwhelmed us at the sight of the station, and most of us ran in desperation for water and a flushing toilet.

Special thanks must go to Mr Fuller since without him it would not be possible. The hike exposed us to



Maxwell Phillis leading the group past Burning Palms

new aspects of expeditions, and all of us enjoyed it greatly. The two day expedition ended with a train home whilst drinking lots of water and saying goodbyes. This was one experience that becomes a prime memory of high school, and we would love to do it again.

Pasan Pannila and Lawrence Cai

The Duke of Edinburgh Award is one of the best youth initiative programs in the world. On the 8th to the 9th April 2009 twenty students from Sydney High decided to take the challenge and venture out to Brisbane Water National Park for a two day and one night trek. The group consisted of: Andrew Blomberg, Kieran Taylor and Tadeusz Davenport from year 11. Anthony Chung, Jeremy Dobrowolski, Andrew Huynh, Dennis Kim, Samuel Lane, Lee Ming, Carl Pan, Veeral Patel, Prashan Prabakaran, Shanaz Razeen, Oliver Sabau, William Shao, Vineet Singh, Henry Sit, Sangeeth Subramaniam, Subhodh Weeratunge and Isnad Zaman from year 10. Ms Taryn Evans and Mr Andrew Fuller were our supervisors throughout the two day trip which went from Wondabyne to Patonga.

It was an early start on the 8th when we met up at Central at around about eight in the morning. We took the train from Central to a little station called Wondabyne. It could be hardly called a station as it was only about six metres long and you had to tell the guard that you wanted to stop there. We could

only exit from one door, and with our bags it was a long and laborious process. Wondabyne station is on the waters edge of the Hawkesbury River and our camp site was at the foot of Mount Wondabyne. Having inspected the maps earlier on the train we already knew that there would be a steep climb involved.

After a quick check of personnel and belongings we headed off on part of the Great North Walk, which stretches from Sydney to Newcastle. It was a very steep climb and whatever chatter there was during the train trip, was cut out during the climb. We were climbing for about a half hour when we stopped to have morning tea, for many of those who hadn't been on a trek before; it was a quick and tough induction into bushwalking. We were all visibly tired. Our morning break was on a flat ledge where we enjoyed panoramic views of the national park, something that made the climb worthwhile.

After the quick break to catch our breath we headed off again on the track. As we moved further into the park the trail began to twist and weave around rocky outcrops and then down into the valley across the streams. We then had lunch at Kariong Brook Waterfall which was a secluded little area with a waterfall running down into a pool. The weather wasn't very hot, but after a long trek many of us took the opportunity to take a swim and cool off. After drying off and having some lunch we headed off



Warrah Lookout



On the way to Mount Wondabyne

again on the trail which had just about levelled off. There was little climbing and once the vegetation began to clear we could see our destination, Mount Wondabyne. However, the space between us and the mountain was quite intimidating.

We took the flat route which went around the mountain side instead of down then up the valley. It took us sometime to get to our destination and upon arrival we began to set up camp, each of us fighting for the perfect patch of dirt without rocks or bumps to set up our tents. Then as a group we climbed up to the peak of Mount Wondabyne, this time without our packs which we were grateful for. Getting to the summit was one of the highlights of the trip. From the top we had a 360 degree view of our surroundings. We could see where we started from at the beginning of the day and it felt like an achievement that we had travelled that far in a few hours. From where we stood we could just see the township of Woy Woy and the meandering railway line, to the east of us was the vast expanse of the Pacific Ocean. However we couldn't see our final destination on the second day yet and so we all knew there was still a long way to go.

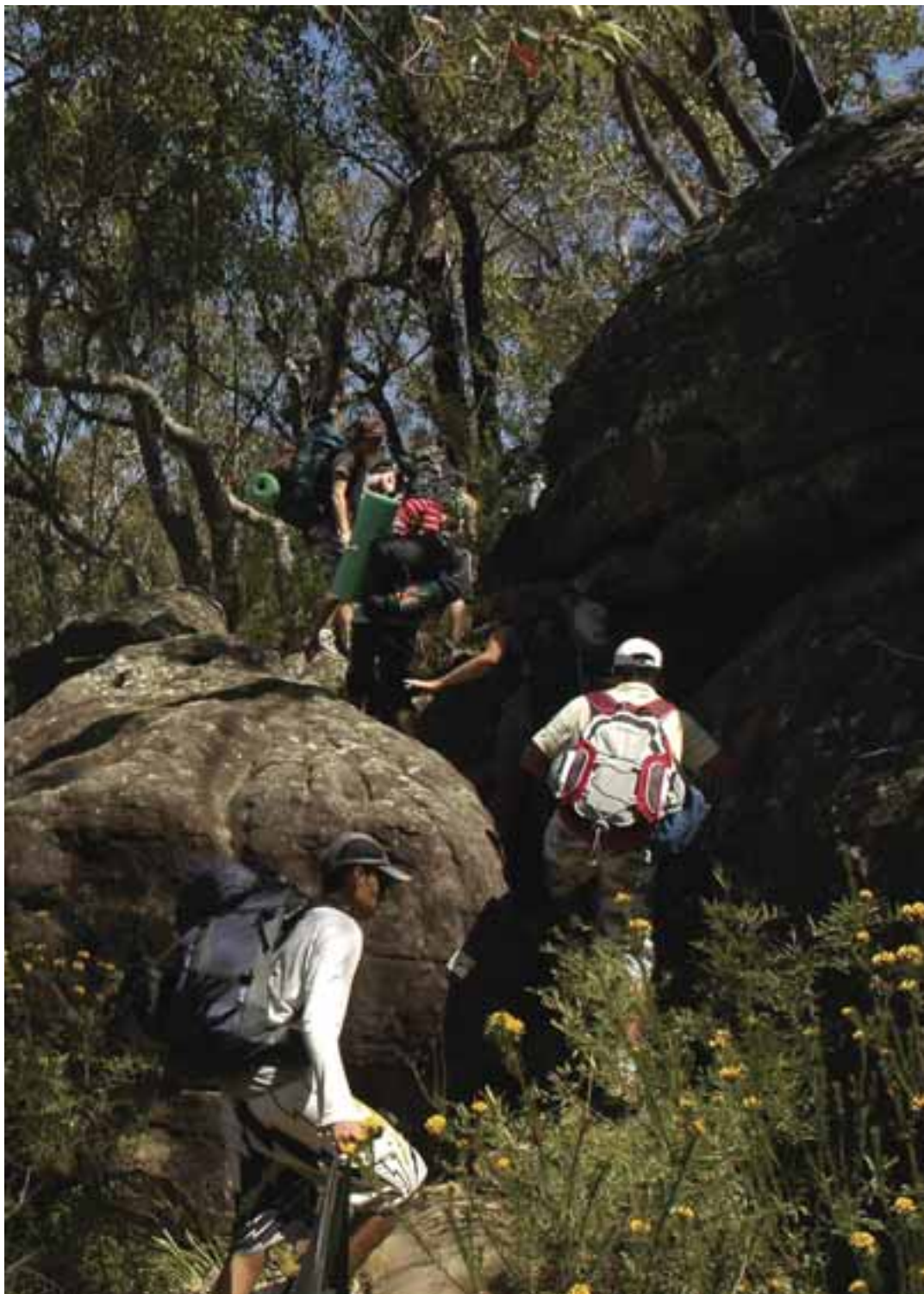
At night there was a full moon and the stars were visible without the pollution of the city. A few of us were even lucky enough to glimpse a shooting star. It was a laid back affair and the night was spent talking and playing games. On our second day we

set off on a fire trail which would lead us toward Patonga. It was a long but simple enough walk and we soon crossed the single, deserted road leading into Patonga and ended up at Warrah lookout. From there we could see Palm Beach the home of the extraordinarily rich and also, more importantly, our final destination.

It was now only a matter of getting down to the sleepy, little town. Our group arrived at Patonga Beach with plenty of time to spare. We had completed a long and arduous walk, and it was now time for some well earned fish and chips for lunch. In the time we had to spare a group of the boys had a game of footy on the sand and some went for a swim. Some simply just sat and rested their tired feet in the warm sand. A quick and relaxing water taxi ride to Hawkesbury River Station in Brooklyn was the last we saw of Brisbane Water National Park. It wasn't long before we were back on the train going home to Central.

This relaxing end capped off a tiring, but worthwhile trip having been very memorable with a great deal more highs than lows. It gave all the participants great experience in the bush. Thanks must go to Mr Andrew Fuller who planned the trip and gave up his time to accompany us; similarly I would like to thank Ms Taryn Evans for taking time to join us on our trip.

Andrew Huynh



Hiking Along the Bullawaring Track

Duke of Edinburgh Award

On the 1st of October 2009, fifteen students from Sydney Boys High gathered at Central at eight in the morning to depart for their second and final hike to Heathcote Royal National Park for the Bronze Award. The group now consisted of experienced hikers, who had each completed at least one adventurous hike for the Duke of Edinburgh Award. The hike was a two day trip through the rocky hills of the Heathcote and Royal National Parks and the trip was organized by Mr Andrew Fuller and Ms Taryn Evans. On the morning, Rahib Azwad, Saqib Bhuiyan, Terence Chiem, Anthony Chung, Jeremy Dobrowolski, Dennis Kim, Samuel Lane, Mario Moreno, Veeral Patel, Shanaz Razeen, Sameep Sandhu, William Shao, Vineet Singh, Henry Sit and Matthew So met outside Central with bags packed and ready to go.

The journey had now begun. Within minutes, the group was walking past local houses before joining the firetrail following a massive waterway pipe, which we later figured out we had to climb onto and walk along. The waterway pipe was a cylindrical pipe that was around two meter high and a meter wide. It stretched for a very far distance, for we never saw its end. The first hour of the journey was an easy walk on smooth ground following this pipe. Suddenly after an hour or so, the firetrail that was always beside the pipe diverged. Maps were taken out and turned upside down and side to side to figure out where we had to go. Then suddenly Mr Fuller began to climb the waterway pipe and started to walk along it. To our surprise, the pipe provided a set of stairs that we had to walk on to climb down the steep hill. This was the most dangerous and exhilarating part of the journey.

At around midday, the group was hiking through thick bush along a series of mountain ranges under the scorching heat on the Bullawaring track. To our relief, after three hours of sweat and hunger, we arrived at Kingfisher Pool where we took a long break for lunch. As the name suggests, the location provided a large pool with surprisingly freezing water. The water was so cold that our feet began to hurt after a while in the water. Despite this, the group was so soaked in sweat that most of us went for a dive and a swim to the large rock that was situated at the centre of the pool. The group had such a fun time in the water that we were already looking forward to tomorrow's swim break.

By the time we were nearing our campsite, the sun had already gone down and it was becoming very dark. The group was at least an hour behind schedule because of the heat and because we had to make a break to replenish our depleted water supply at Waterfall. We arrived at our campsite the Uloola Falls at around seven which was simply an open area on rocky ground. Tents were quickly set up and the group enjoyed dinner.

The second day was a slow, relaxing walk. We had lunch at Audley a popular picnic ground. The final part of the journey saw us arrive back at Heathcote station where we boarded a train back home. The trip was an enjoyable one, with many memories to keep. It provided all the participants with a great experience and enabled many of us to finish the Bronze award. Thanks must go to Mr Fuller and Ms Evans who not only organised the trip, but made it safe and enjoyable for us.

Dennis Kim



Enjoying Kingfisher Pool

Chess Report

In 2009 we welcomed our new chess coach Mr Vladimir Feldman. Vladimir provides weekly chess tutorials and organises our representative teams and tournaments. He plays international chess for Australia and also coaches at Scots. Vladimir is father to old boy Alex.

Results this year include:

NSWJCL Autumn Two-Day tournament – April
Ben Encel – 1st; Dawen Shi – 3rd

NSWJCL Winter Two-Day tournament – 16-17 July
Ben Encel – 1st

NSWJCL Winter One-Day tournament – 15 July
Ben Encel – 1st

2009 Secondary Schools One-Day Tournament – 5 July
Junior A (Dominic Mah, Eric Xu, Darryl Chan) – 3rd
Junior B (Kin Pan, Andrew Tayeh, Elbert Ly) – 7th

2009 NSW Interschool competition:

Metropolitan East Senior Division:

Senior A (Benjamin Encel, Charley Peng, Anthony

Hopkins, Anirban Ghose, Nema Adel) – 2nd

Metropolitan East Intermediate Division:

Intermediate A (Dawen Shi, Dominic Nguyen, Ilya Bonch-Osmolovsky, Leon Sheldon, Raymond Lee) – 1st

Metropolitan East Junior Division:

Junior A (Dominic Mah, Cosmo Liu, Elbert Ly, Andrew Tayeh, Darryl Chan) – 1st

Junior B (Kin Pan, James Chen, Daniel Wei, Jeffrey Ni, Sumen Kumareswaran) – 1st

Metropolitan East Finals:

Intermediate A (Dawen Shi, Dominic Nguyen, Ilya Bonch-Osmolovsky, Leon Sheldon, Raymond Lee) – 2nd.

High will again host the GPS Chess Challenge. Our team is: Dawen Shi, Dominic Nguyen, Charley Peng, Dominic Mah, Anthony Hopkins, Eric Xu, Andrew Tayeh, Darryl Chan.

C Harvey



Chess

Back Row: I.Bonch-Osmolovskiy, R.McDonald, L.Sheldon.

Second Row: D.Mah, K.Pan, A.Shi, J.Ni, J.Chen, C.Liu, A.Xu, S.Sufian.

Front Row: D.Chan, S.Kumareswaran, M.Hauser, E.Ly, D.Wei, N.Lazarus, A.Nayak.

Tournament of Minds

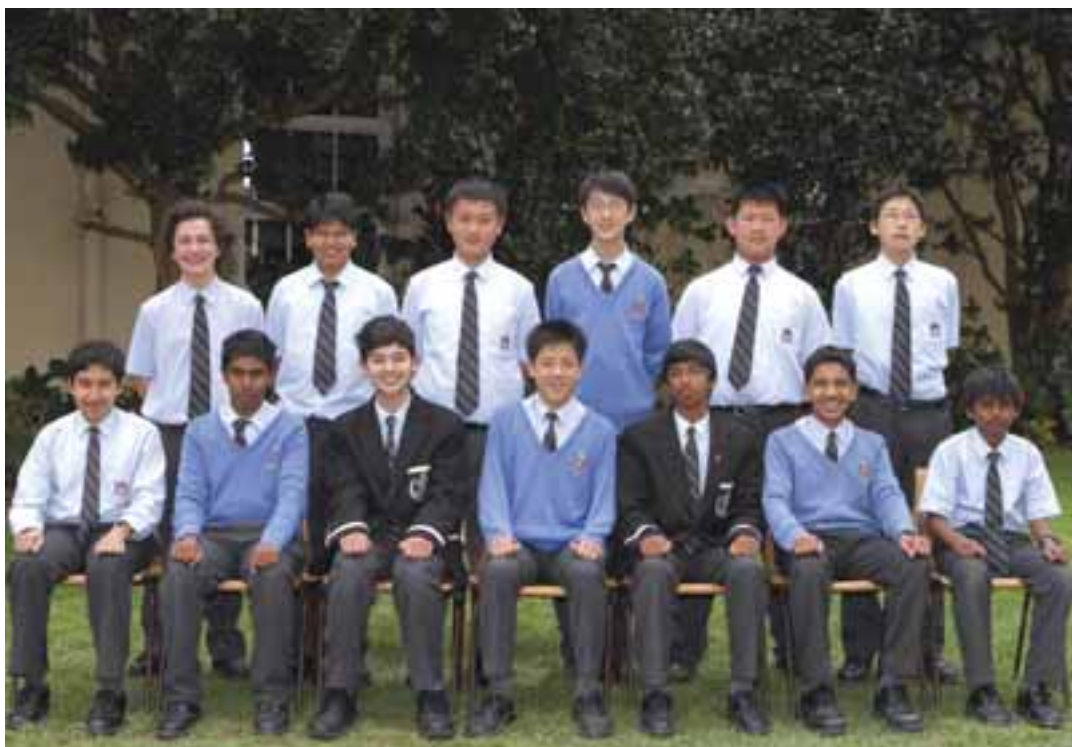
Sydney Boys High is mostly known for emphasising Sport and Academics. We don't usually get a chance to participate in performing arts unless we're involved in Drama/Theatre. Tournament of Minds is a great opportunity to be involved in a team focussed competition where groups of 7 combine their individual strengths in acting, preparation, co-operation and leadership to solve a challenge and present their interpretation through a timed performance. This year, we entered 2 teams – one in the Social Sciences and another in the Language/Literature section. The Regional final was held on 29th August, hosted by Sydney Girls' and we competed with teams from across the Sydney East Region.

The Language/Literature team consisted of Ming Pan, Gananatha Minithantri, Sooraj Prakash, Nicky Pinidiya (all year 9 students) and Robert Tan, Henry Feng and Riley Irwin (year 7 boys).

The Social Science team included Samir Kinger, year 9 students Christopher Chiam, Vivek Shah, Suman Prusty and Allan Feng (year 8) Ryan Rawnak and Andrew Zhang (year 7 students).

The students were selected after training and impromptu presentations over a number of lunchtime sessions conducted by Anirban Ghose and Andre Brokman who worked as facilitators for the teams and shared their experience and enthusiasm.

The challenge is published 6 weeks prior to the event and the teams are not allowed to have outside assistance after this date. This does not leave much time to produce a performance that satisfies all aspects of the requirements. You need to solve the problem and demonstrate this in a creative performance. This includes a script, costuming and props (none of which can be beyond a minimal budget so you have to be resourceful). Things were further complicated for the Social



Tournament of Minds

Back Row: R.Irwin, N.Pinidiya, R.Tan, H.Feng, A.Feng, A.Zhang.

Front Row: V.Shah, G.Minithantri, C.Chiam, M.Pan, S.Prusty, S.Prakash, R.Rawnak.

Tournament of Minds

Science team who were required to choreograph their performance!! Initially, the students were horrified. However, they proved that with commitment you can overcome anything – even something that you didn't want to do! (i.e. dance in public).

We all agree that it was time-consuming and the meetings were at times intense but the end result was amazing. We got lots of positive feedback from the judges, and were disappointed that we didn't make it to the State final.

It was a great opportunity to extend ourselves out of our comfort zones. It's good for confidence, building friendships with students outside your year group that you might not otherwise have gotten to know and for learning how to work as a team under pressure. We're all looking forward to next year when we can have another chance at making it to the next level. Experience is a real advantage. If you get a chance to compete, DO IT-trust us-you won't regret joining in.

Gananatha Minithantri, Year 9



The Da Vinci Team

Foundation Day Assembly 2009

Distinguished guests, Old Boy OAMs and AMs, former school captains, Prefect Internees, School Family representatives, parents, staff and students – welcome to our 126th Foundation Day Assembly. A special welcome is extended to our occasional speaker today, Dr David Blomberg, School Captain (1971). In today's assembly we are re-connecting with our founding traditions, contemplating leadership and service, reaffirming our school culture and honouring our elected student leaders for 2010.

At High we are wearing more of our history on our walls. Each year we add three framed blazers to recognise the deeds of former students. We hope they serve as models and inspiration for current students. We are proud to recognise the leadership and service of Old Boys in the Order of Australia honours system. This year we are celebrating Old Boy Members of the Order of Australia with two honour boards, having unveiled an honour board for Medallists last year. There are eighty-seven names on the Member honour boards to accompany the fifty-eight names on the Medallist honour board. Next year we will complete the series by adding boards for Officers and Companions. We are building a tradition of community service at High. Not only does each academic year have its own project but also many opportunities for additional service are arranged. Our *High Resolves* boys have done some fine work over two terms with Sir Roden Cutler Charities. I encourage all boys to become involved in some way with school or community service. Those in privileged positions as you are, have a duty to help others.

This morning I want to address some aspects of our tradition. Seventy-five years ago *The Record* of June, 1934 welcomed the new Headmaster Frank McMullen. He had established agricultural secondary education as the first Headmaster of Hurlstone Agricultural High School, then located at Ashfield. He has Headmaster at four other schools before coming to High. McMullen was a former sprinter, rower and rugby player. He was best known as a cricketer, playing first grade for Glebe, Cumberland, Gordon and Wests. He embodied the ethos of the scholar-sportsman.

In the 1933 season, High won its first ever GPS cricket premiership – sharing with Riverview. High

were undefeated CHS champions. The first XI was admired for its "splendid teamwork and *esprit de corps*". R. Hill scored four centuries in the season and posted the highest ever GPS score by a High player in the match against Riverview with 199. His record still stands. High won the second grade tennis. In athletics High "comfortably topped the total point score in both CHS and GPS". High has competed intensely in both GPS and CHS contexts since 1913. We need great teamwork and school spirit now more than ever as we face improved performance levels in GPS athletes.

In 1934, the Sydney High School Union, the student governed organisation running sport and co-curricular activities, raised its fees after a referendum of the students, to 15 shillings per annum. Boys were allowed to pay by instalments of two shillings per month. The treasurer allocated 100 pounds (a considerable sum in those Depression days) towards the upkeep of the McKay Playing Fields, managed by the OBU. 'The Dressing Shed Fund' was established to help pay for the erection of the Fairland Pavilion. The OBU and P&C borrowed 650 pounds to build the asset and had raised 450 pounds to pay it off. The school community was asked to raise the remainder. Partnerships formed to develop assets were modelled at High 75 years ago and remain our preferred way to finance projects today.

In 1934, the bell from HMAS *Encounter*, was purchased by the school as a backup to the unreliable electric school bell. It was fixed in an alcove in the cloisters where it remains. *Encounter* was a Challenger Class warship, built in 1902 and paid off in 1920. It served as a cruiser during World War 1 in the Australian Station. It was a depot ship moored at Garden Island until being towed out to sea and sunk off Sydney Heads in September, 1932. We have iconic pieces of memorabilia in our school forming a bond between the present and the past.

My purpose in recounting these snippets from seventy-five years ago is to highlight the continuing preoccupations the High community has had throughout its life as a public school. We admire scholar-sportsmen and have done so always. We celebrate our rare GPS victories with great pride. We have opportunities to succeed next year in athletics and cricket. We rely on generating our own resources to pay for anything that will develop our



activities. We can relate the Great Depression to the Global Financial Crisis, even if obliquely. We are trying to raise money through tax deductible funds in tough economic times. It was much worse in the thirties in terms of unemployment and hardship. Despite these challenges, the partnerships between the OBU, the P&C and the School Union forged ahead to provide much needed facilities for the enjoyment of the students. We continue to depend upon ourselves to get what we want for our school. The OBU and P & C (now joined as the Sydney High School Foundation) still manage the facility in Centennial Park, the Fairland Pavilion. We are raising funds to redevelop the McKay Playing Fields if we can come to an agreement with the Centennial Parklands management. I call on everyone present to work together to carry on this tradition. We cannot rely on governments and hand outs. We have to make things happen and hope to bring potential donors along with us, from government or the private sector.

Turning to our perennial themes of leadership and service, it is evident that the office of School Prefect at High is a prestigious one. Many eminent people served their school in this role. Prefects need to be faultless role models of the ideal 'High' student. As Interns invested here today, you are willingly assuming responsibility for being on side with the management of the school. In your dress, demeanour, academic attitudes and support of school personnel and school activities, you are modelling high standards of behaviour. With

position comes accountability. As Interns you should be aware that the eyes of the school community are upon you. The position of Prefect must be earned over the next two terms. School Prefects earn their badges by continuing to participate in school activities in their final year to the same degree that they did in previous years, thereby being great role models to their peers and to the High Junior School in particular. We have zero tolerance for transgressions. Some of you may not stand the test of living up to the standards expected in the coming months. For those who make the investiture in term two, you will have earned your name being placed in the book alongside High Prefects of the past. Genuine leaders earn their positions through consistent service.

Today's assembly combines reflection about tradition, service and leadership with celebration of our remarkable history and the people who fashioned it. As the Prefect Interns are introduced, we celebrate their achievements in qualifying and being elected, and remember the places they will now occupy in the tradition of leadership at High. I congratulate all the boys who have earned their places on the ballot because of their past involvement and have been elected by teachers and their peers and I wish them well in their roles in the year to come. Just as in 1934, I hope you will unite your peers around the common cause of enhancing High's traditions and that you will connect with them as people to inspire them to do so.

Dr KA Jaggar

Music Department

Chamber Choir

Once again in 2009, the Chamber Choir consisted of a large number of students, committing Ms Lim to rehearsals on both Tuesday and Wednesday mornings from 7:45am. A number of Year 7 students filled the vacant soprano positions of the choir. *Locus Iste* and *Don't Worry, Be Happy* were rehearsed early in the year in preparation for the 20th Century Music Concert. Anton Bruckner's *Locus Iste* was well rehearsed and performed successfully, as fine as last year's emotional, *Stabat Mater Dolorosa*.

The Annual Music Camp took place in early June and throughout the three days, various pieces were rehearsed. The A Capella *Hosanna*, was expressive and moving while the *ABBA Medley* finale sung in conjunction with the other bands accompanying, was so successful that an encore of the *Dancing Queen* section was requested and performed with the audience joining in.

During the Spring Music Concert, *Frog Went A-Courtin'* and an arrangement of the popular *Time of Your Life* by Green Day were performed. *Time of Your Life*, was widely enjoyed by the audience and fellow students and was a suitable song choice for the departing Year 12's.

The members of the choir must be congratulated and thanked for their efforts in 2009, with everyone improving drastically. Christian Katsikaros - Year 12 Choir Music Prefect was still very dedicated despite his busy HSC year and has been of great help to the Chamber Choir in the last four years. With Christian's perfect pitch, singing beside him the last four years has been highly valuable and enlightening and the Choir would not have been the same without him. Last but definitely not least, Ms Lim deserves commendable praise, lifting up the standard of the Chamber Choir with her devotion to the two rehearsals held each week and the effort she has put in for the performances.

David Li Wang – Year 10

Guitar Ensemble Report

The 2009 guitar ensemble season started with a Big Bang, with a room change the first week back. A few senior members departed but new members were recruited making up the numbers. A positive season



overall with the Annual Music Camp, soiree showcasing individuals talents and their domination on the fretboard, with a great performance by Derek (and Leon slappin da bars), three extreme parties and culminating in our traditional Annual Christmas extravaganza concert. We've had a really fun and enjoyable season and we appreciate all the time and effort Sean Windsor has given us.

Gabriel Garayalde – Yr 10, Max Jones, William Ho, William Zhou – Yr 9

Marching Band

The Marching Band of Sydney Boys High in 2009 combined the efforts of members from both the Senior Concert Band and Intermediate Concert Band. SHBS Marching Band had a large number of instruments which rang through the city as the band marched through the streets in honour of the war veterans and those who sacrificed their lives for our freedom. The Marching Band played: *The Invincible Eagle*, *Waltzing Matilda* and *Tenth Regiment March*. The Band put on a spectacular performance as a result of all the intense rehearsals and training sessions on Friday mornings and Tuesday afternoons. Our Drum Major, Johan Santoso led the Band spectacularly on Anzac Day but on our second tour of the streets, Year 12 Music Prefect Thomas Wilson stepped up to the role as Drum Major when Johan and the other cadets were needed at another event. All in all we had a fantastic year with a stunning performance thanks to the Music Staff's efforts and commitment to practice.

Joseph Lui –Year 7

Intermediate Concert Band

The Intermediate Concert Band had a highly successful season which included many stunning performances such as our first performance at the 20th/21st Century concert in May. In just over a month, the band had put together several pieces and played them beautifully on the night. Ms Miller did a great job of preparing us to performance level and without her, we could not have achieved this.

Next up was the Music Camp; an awesome event spanning three days in the first week of June. It was held at Galston Gorge Conference Centre and throughout all the days, from early in the morning to late in the evening, we had music, music, music and more music. There we perfected *Pueblo* and *Fortress* and upon return from the camp, we had a music camp performance. We played really well and Derrick Foo – Year 9 did a fantastic job on the flute solo in *Pueblo*. All the bands were involved in the Camp concert making it a huge success especially with the combined performance of the ABBA medley, featuring all of the bands and the choir for the spectacular Camp Finale.

The Intermediate Concert Band was excellent and most people turned up to rehearsals but above all, I would like to thank Ms Miller on behalf of the band for her guidance and dedication to the ensemble.

Kohen Lau – Year 7

Senior Concert Band

After the usual delayed start due to Marching Band rehearsals, Senior Concert Band was on its way to a great start learning challenging new repertoire. In term 2 we attended our Annual Music Camp in Galston Gorges where we tirelessly began learning pieces including: *Cirque du Soleil*, *Rock 'n' Roll Hall of Fame* (with guest conductor Thomas Wilson – Yr 12) and some movements from *Canticle of Creatures*. Our concert at the end of camp was highly successful with a huge audience turnout. Following Music Camp our focus shifted to Cabaret Night with a number of funky numbers being performed. The Senior Concert Band owes a big thank you to all the year 12's who made the extra effort to attend rehearsals during their busy HSC schedule and especially Ms Gilmore for her commitment to the ensemble. Overall we have had a very fun and successful year and we look forward to learning even more fantastic repertoire in the following year.

Jordan Saito-Patch and Michael Wong – Year 10

Rock Band

Tuesday at lunchtime, a group of Year 7s would make for the music rooms, ready to practise, practise, practise for upcoming gigs. Yes, it's the Junior Rock Band. Over the year, we have rehearsed many songs and played to people who would come to





Junior Jazz Ensemble

This year the Junior Jazz Ensemble consisting of Ben Wilcox, Ennes Mehmedbasic, Jaan Pallandi, Amabir Singh and Steve Comninos have enjoyed their time working with Mike Gubb, a highly regarded Jazz musician, learning the skill of jazz playing and improvising.

The Jazz group have had the opportunity to perform at several occasions and school functions including the Athletics Assembly, Cabaret Night and Music Camp Concert and Tapas and Jazz in the Courtyard, all of which have been enjoyable and successful. Over the year we learnt to play a number of Jazz standards like *Cantaloupe Island*, *So What*, *The Preacher*, *Song For My Father*, *Footprints*, and *Watermelon Man*. Under the experienced guidance of Gubb, the band has undergone immense improvement over the year and we would like to thank him and the Music Staff for making this possible.

Ben Wilcox and Ennes Mehmedbasic - Year 9

Junior Stage Band

Junior Stage Band conducted by Mrs Miller was very successful this year and a great experience for the new members joining the band. We played at various concerts and assemblies throughout the year, giving us good practice and performance experience.

As the year passed with Music Camp and the Jazz workshop, we improved in playing as an ensemble. We learnt new techniques on our instruments and were faced with more challenge pieces to play. We constantly practiced and rehearsed in preparation for upcoming concerts and I would encourage students who play a Jazz instrument to join as you can further develop your musical skills. It is a great opportunity to learn new skills and enjoy playing in a band with your friends making the experience a lot more fun and exciting as well as becoming more involved in co-curricular activities.

Safat Sufian – Year 8

Senior Stage Band

Senior Stage Band under the tutelage of Ms Gilmore has developed greater experience and skill in Jazz. Whether it be working on our soloing skills or our ensemble work, we have improved immensely. At

watch us or practise as they passed by to go to lunch.

It was a difficult task in deciding which songs to play because there's such a huge pool of songs to pick from. Every Tuesday morning, we'd show Samson Lou (Old Boy 2007) our skills and he'd provide us with some constructive criticism. It actually helped us a lot in our playing. Our first 'gig' was at the Music Camp Concert where we received high praise from the audience, especially from the parents who gave us a standing ovation!

The first real performance we ever went to was at Stable Square, in the University of Western Sydney. Our performance was hosted by the Erik Hausoul Sarcoma Foundation. Preparing for it was intense with many lunch times spent rehearsing our numbers to performance standard and all in just 3 weeks. The turnout at the gig was great with the audience cheering as we played and demonstrated our skills performing the U2 classic *Beautiful Day* along with other songs like *Supermassive Black Hole* and *What I've Done*. We can't wait to play at our next gig. Thanks to Samson who initiated the rock group and dedicates his time every Tuesday morning to help us improve our musical skills.

Chris Chen – Year7

our Annual Music Camp, an all star cast featuring Ben Gurton, Paul Joseph, Michael Gubb, Yaw Glymin, Muhamed Mehmedbasic, Eamon Dilworth, Michael Waldor and Simon Chadwick developed our musicianship skills in Jazz intensely. Cabaret night was a huge success with all ensembles performing in the Great Hall and Senior Stage stealing the lime light. Senior Stage also performed at other school functions including Open Day. Overall, it has been a year of solid learning both as individuals performers and as an ensemble. We would like to thank Ms Gilmore for her time and expertise in helping us reach the high standard of performance.

Michael Phung and Marcell Rozsa – Year 10

Junior String Ensemble

As a new member of the Junior Strings, I have enjoyed the experience very much. I also believe that my other school mates have had a great year playing in the ensemble. Together we rehearse every week on Monday morning before school with our conductor Ms Worthington. Junior Strings have performed on many occasions, one of which included the Music Camp Concert. Throughout the year we learnt to play many interesting pieces such as *Fumble Fingers* and other suites. The number of members in the string group is slowly increasing as many more beginners are joining every term. Thank you to Ms Worthington for all her time and dedication to the Junior String group over the year.

Justin Ng – Yr 7

Senior String Ensemble

The Senior String Ensemble has flourished this year under the leadership of Jonathan Hendl. Mr Hendl has focused on building on our ensemble skills within the group through encouragement and musical direction in our playing. Jonathan has given each member solo performance opportunities which have been an invaluable experience in the development of ensemble skills and musical refinement. These performances included repertoire such as Massenet's *Meditation for Violin* (Frank Zhang - Year 8), Bach's *Violin Concerto for Two Violins* (Andre Brokman - Year 11 and Frank Zhang), a *Viola Concerto* (Julian Byrnes - Year 12), and also Capuzzi's *Double Bass Concerto* (Jaan Pallandi - Year 8). This, bolstered by an ambitious but successful expansion of our repertoire and an influx of talented

new members has seen the ensemble enjoy a rapid and marked rise in its standards of playing. Our numerous performance opportunities include various school assemblies, the Phillip Day Memorial Dinner and Open Day.

Andre Brokman – Year 11

Symphony Orchestra

Rehearsals for Symphony Orchestra began with a fresh, new enthusiasm and commitment in term one. Our efforts soon bore fruit at the annual Chinese New Year Dinner with the Orchestra performing *The Butterfly Lovers*, a traditional Chinese opera, with soloist Andre Brockman demonstrating the outstanding calibre of musicians we have here at High. We soon followed up with the Cabaret Night, at which Symphony Orchestra performed classics such as *Edelweiss* from Rogers' and Hammerstein's *The Sound of Music* and Billy Joel's pop-rock classic *Just the Way You Are*.

In term two we travelled to the Galston Gorge Conference Centre for High's Annual Music Camp. Rehearsal of ABBA's medley featuring classics like *Mamma Mia* transported us all back to the 70's, and we carried this energy forward to the Camp Concert on Thursday night.

Term three saw some hectic rehearsal times, with the year 12 members of the orchestra studying hard for their HSC Trial Exams held in the middle of the term, however the ensemble kept ploughing on regardless, performing terrifically at the Showcase Concert featuring contemporary music by all ensembles, and polishing Gershwin's *Rhapsody in Blue* to an even higher standard than last year.

Of course hard work without proper guidance is not enough to achieve success. I would like to thank Ms Lim for her skill, patience and good humour in conducting the Symphony Orchestra, and also Ms Rebecca Irwin who has guided the String Section with her expertise through the difficult passages in our repertoire. Thanks are also due to Ms Gilmore and Ms Miller who have done a fantastic job in coordinating concerts and rehearsals and presenting us with many opportunities to share our music with audiences. I wish them and all current and future Orchestra members the very best in their musical endeavours.

Tom Peter – Year 12 Orchestra Leader



Senior Stage Band

Back Row: E.Ovadia, L.Sheldon, L.Brown, C.Morrison, B.Wilcox.

Second Row: B.Hillier, A.Booth, S.Pak, J.Saito-Patch, L.Aylmer, S.Comninios, M.Rozsa, S.Fletcher.

Front Row: M.Phung, C.Price, E.Mehmedbasic, A.Fong, J.Rajendram, M.Chan, D.Kim.



Junior Stage Band

Back Row: S.Wang, W.Wu, R.Nadal, M.Stojanovik, O.Kirk.

Second Row: Ms S.Lim (Conductor), S.Quazi, A.Singh, M.Liu, W.Choi, S.Sufian.

Front Row: N.Costa, J.Lam, B.Angell, K.Pan, K.Yu, T.Wu, D.Chan.



Symphony Orchestra

Back Row: M.So, M.Rozsa, J.Saito-Patch, K.Cheng, A.Blomberg, L.Brown, L.Sheldon, B.Li, J.Santoso.

Third Row: J.Pallandi, A.Guo, R.Lee, N.Kok, J.Chan, A.Brokman, J.Chen, J.Han, S.Comninos.

Second Row: Ms S.Lim (Conductor), S.Pak, F.Zhang, E.Mehmedbasic, T.Funston, A.Booth, K.Li.

Front Row: S.Nagaraj, T.Wu, E.Lee, A.Shi, I.Lim, T.Peters, R.Zhai, E.Xu, R.Irwin, J.Ng, J.Dobrowolski.



Senior Concert Band

Back Row: I.Eveleigh, E.Ovadia, L.Sheldon, L.Brown, O.Pierce, J.Sutton, D.Andrews, B.Wilcox.

Third Row: B.Hillier, M.Rozsa, Y.Wu, H.Sit, I.Bonch-Osmolovskiy, B.Li, J.Santoso, T.Siu, M.Tong, J.Saito-Patch, Y.Wong.

Second Row: Ms S.Lim (Conductor), M.Wong, M.Phung, L.Aylmer, J.Han, M.Feng, G.Niu, J.Chan, S.Pak, L.Ming.

Front Row: G.B.Wang, S.Fletcher, T.Connolly, A.Fong, E.Mehmedbasic, O.Kirk, A.Booth, M.Chan, D.Luo, J.Dobrowolski, J.Rajendram.



Intermediate Concert Band

Back Row: T.Pilien, S.Pak, H.T.Lin, M.Liang, W.Wu, B.Jeyarasa, S.Marques, E.D.Zhang, S.Comninos, K.Ho, J.Edgton.

Third Row: S.Fletcher, L.Katupitiya, M.Liu, W.Koslovsky, E.Li, M.Birch, A.Booth, A.Feng, H.Feng, J.Lui, W.Yeung.

Second Row: Ms S.Lim (Conductor), K.Pan, S.Wang, W.Choi, A.Singh, A.Liu, S.Viswanadham, N.Kong, J.Yip, A.Cha, W.Randles, M.James, L.Lee.

Front Row: D.Chan, A.Nguyen, K.Lau, N.Costa, J.Chan, J.Kwon, T.Wu, B.Angell, D.Lin, T.Collier, E.Wang.

Seated on Ground: P.Lam, P.Choi, S.Do, T.Nguyen, M.Tayeh, P.Stephens, C.Liu, R.Rawnak, D.Wei.



Philharmonic Orchestra

Back Row: Y.Shi, T.Zhang, D.Ko, V.Prapakaran.

Front Row: S.Luong, C.Chiam, J.Chan.



Rock Band

B.Hillier, W.Baxter, L.Brown, M.Delaney, B.Daniels.



Junior Rock Band

Back Row: *C.Chan, D.Li.*

Front Row: *I.Marinov, T.Du, C.Chen, E.Ou, A.Qi.*



Senior Strings

Back Row: J.Pallandi, T.Funston, T.Peters, R.Zhai, M.So.

Front Row: J.Ng, R.Irwin, I.Lim, A.Brokman, F.Zhang, T.Wu, S.Nagaraj.



Junior Strings

Second Row: Y.Shi, W.Tam, S.Vimalanathan, V.Prapakaran, R.Ko, S.Luong.

Front Row: G.Liu, S.Prusty, K.Chong, C.Chiam, E.Koo.



Senior Percussion

A.Booth, G.Niu, L.Brown, O.Pierce, J.Chan.



Junior Percussion

Back Row: A.Zhou, S.Sethi, D.Guptaa, C.Stack, E.Li, O.Lee, A.Singh.

Front Row: B.Hancox, L.Katupitiya, W.Yeung, T.Pilien, S.Sivayogarayan, M.Paradeza, A.Dutta.



Guitar Ensemble

Back Row: E.Luu, L.Fang, T.Iyer, W.Ho, M.Stojanovik, D.Keogh, M.Hauser.

Second Row: A.Hassan, J.Lam, W.Zhou, H.Heo, M.Chin, D.Wang, A.Wang, C.Chen.

Front Row: I.Marinov, K.Visvaa, E.Ou, J.Lam, D.Li, C.Zeng, J.Lane.



Junior Jazz Ensemble

E.Mehmedbasic, A.Singh, S.Comninos, B.Wilcox, J.Pallandi.



Marching Band

Back Row: B.Jian, M.Rozsa, E.Zhang, J.Saiyto-Patch, B.Wilcox, C.Stack, L.Brown, O.Pierce, L.Sheldon, D.Andrews, I.Eveleigh, B.Li, I.Bonch-Osmolovskiy, J.Nguyen.

Third Row: C.Katsikaros, A.Saunders, S.Pak, G.Niu, S.Comninos, A.Booth, H.Sit, L.Aylmer, M.Tong, Y.Wong, B.Hillier, M.Fong, J.Han, A.Gong, M.Do.

Second Row: Ms S.Lim (Musical Director), S.Viswanadham, J.Lui, A.Feng, M.Chan, G.Zhang, G.B.Wang, J.Chan, W.Wu, H.Feng, O.Kirk, S.Wang, A.Singh, A.Liu.

Front Row: B.Lee, J.Dobrowolski, S.Fletcher, W.Choi, T.Siu, M.Phung, J.Santoso, M.Wong, L.Ming, T.Connolly, D.Luo, M.Fong, N.Ooi.

Seated on Ground: H.Gu, N.Costa, J.Lam, K.Pan, T.Pilien, M.James, T.Wu, K.Lau, E.Wang.



Choir

Back Row: J.Cao, T.Chan, P.Lai, E.Wong, C.Katsikaros, T.Burston, S.Marques, K.Chen, D.Wang, Y.Wong.

Third Row: C.Xu, M.Liu, G.Zheng, A.Booth, J.Ni, M.We, A.Chan, W.Liu, B.Jin.

Second Row: Ms S.Lim (Conductor), S.Wang, D.Vo, D.Li, T.Nguyen, W.Wu, C.Chen, K.Liu, H.Lam, J.Chen.

Front Row: J.Yang, D.Tam, J.Zhong, O.Long, J.Ng, J.Lam, C.Chan, J.Chan, R.Cheng, H.Zhu, S.Nagaraj.

Debating

Senior Debating

Senior debating commenced the preseason, specifically the FED and Eastside competitions with a large contingent of senior debaters supported by numerous coaching sessions. After considerable chopping and changing, with Justin Chan, Antony Paul and Max Phillis all getting runs in the first grade team throughout the tournament, the Eastside first grade team (Max Phillis, Stephen Garofano and Justin Chan) took out the competition in a split (2-1) decision against Sydney Girls High. In the seconds, Puneet Baweja, Chris Wong and Angud Chawla achieved a solid win against SCEGGS.

Squad selections were full of drama but we emerged with two solid teams to form the senior squad. First grade consisted of Maxwell Phillis, Antony Paul and Stephen Garofano, and Second grade comprising Angud Chawla, Justin Chan, Puneet Baweja and Christopher Wong.

Both the 1sts and 2nds entered the first GPS debate, quietly confident, against St Josephs. Debating a controversial topic "That we should re-elect Kevin Rudd" the 1sts came through with a solid win. However, second grade in a disappointing performance ended up losing their first debate in seconds to a team who succeeded in achieving only one win all season.

Round two against St Ignatius saw the 1sts pull off a solid unanimous win. However, once again the 2nds were defeated effectively ending their season. Round three was a home debate against Kings with the 2nds recording their first win of the season in an emphatic fashion. The 1sts continued their winning streak. This pattern was repeated in rounds 4 and 5 against Scots and Newington respectively with convincing wins from both the 1sts and 2nds. At this point, the 1sts looked like contenders for the premiership, while the 2nds were optimistic about salvaging their season.

Round 6 proved the most challenging round with both Grammar and High 1sts on 5 wins, and Grammar 2nds undefeated. Supported by a large and spirited High crowd the 1sts were unfortunately defeated in a split decision. The 2nds recorded a comfortable win over an undefeated grammar side. The final round saw the 1sts convincingly defeat Shore and the 2nds also finished off with a good win.

Season 2009 was one of almosts, but one that was both rewarding and exciting. We all have great hopes for next year, and we'd like to thank Eliza Forsyth and Mr Sriram Srikumar for coaching 2nds and 1sts. Also, a big thanks to Ms Berger for organizing CHS debating which saw the year 11 team of Max Phillis, Antony Paul, Justin Chan and Angud Chawla win states, to all the parents that have driven us out to debates, to the crowds that high debating continues to bring, Dana Quick for a well organized season, but most of all, to all the senior debaters (especially to the leaving year 12's), for a great season.

Angud Chawla 2nd grade, year 11

Year 8 Debating

Debating at Sydney Boys High 2009 proved to be a successful and great season for year 8. We have improved considerably since last year and have been able to master the finer points of the art of debating. We kick started the year with two major competitions; FED (Friday Evening Debate) and Eastside. These competitions were a great way to practice and shape up for GPS. Both our Eastside and FED teams were very successful. The Eastside squad, consisting of twelve people, made it through to the semi-finals but was defeated by Sydney Girls High in what was a very close debate. However our FED boys were very strong and managed to win the FED final, which was held at Sydney Boys High. They are the rightful holders of FED trophy for the year 2009-2010.

Now came the hardest part of the season for us and the coaches. It was GPS squad selection time again. Everyone was very nervous and anxious wondering whether they would make it or not since there were only twelve spots available. Finally after a two week period of trials our GPS year-8 squad was named. From these twelve people three teams were to be formed; A's, B1 and B2. The A's consisted of: Kritman Dhamoon (c), Wilber Koslowski, Jaan Pallandi and Connor Robinson. B1 contained the following people: Calum York (c), Khushaal Vyas, Subash Viswanadham and Yuan Shi. And the B2 team was comprised of Amarbir Singh (c), James Cao, Albert Chau and Eric Xu.

On the Friday of the first GPS debate of the season a selected team attended Sydney University for the

one day USYD competition. The team consisting of Khushaal Vyas, Calum York and Amabir Singh did extremely well winning two out of three debates.

The GPS season got off to a great start for both the A team and the B1 team. Both our teams were confident and beat St Joseph's in our first debate. Our second debate went just as well with a 2-0 win against St Ignatious. The rest of the season was a mixed one. We lost to Grammar as well as Scots.

The B's season went very well considering that most of these debaters were new to the arena. The B's won their first debate confidently over a struggling St Joseph's side. However, in the following week the B's lost their debate though only narrowly. This pattern continued (win, loss) until the B1 squad, who had won all their debates lost to a determined Newington squad. However during the last debate, B1 managed to scrap up a victory by a marginal amount. But putting in concerted efforts, the B squad can improve in many areas but they must be congratulated for a convincing season and also taking into account that half these people were new to debating.

Overall we finished a season of debating which we are very proud of. On behalf of the teams, I would like to thank our coaches Melissa Brooks and Kathleen and our coordinator Ms Dana Quick. All of them worked tirelessly with us for the whole year and we were prepared every single week to debate against other schools. I would also like to thank Ms Craddock for supervising us at Sydney University and giving us great advice.

Kritman Dhamoon, Captain.
GPS Debating Team – Year 8

Yr 7 Debating Report

The debating season for the Sydney High year seven GPS debaters has been lively, eventful, exciting and most importantly, full of fun! This season High was able to provide three year seven debating teams for the GPS tournament, an A team, a B1 team, and a B2 team.

Our first ever GPS tournament debate kicked off as an away debate against St Joseph's. The topic that night was that the voting age for state and federal elections should be lowered to sixteen years of age. Our B1 team, who competed against St Joseph's B team, won their debate in style, arguing for the topic. Our A team were unfortunately unsuccessful in their efforts to argue against the topic.

Our second debate of the season was against St Ignatious, with our B2 team, who also competed against the St Ignatious B team winning their debate. Unfortunately our A team were not able to conjure a win on this occasion.

For the third round of the GPS debating tournament High was up against Kings in our first home debate of the season. Unfortunately both of the High year seven teams were unable to win against the very skilled opposition.

The following week we were up against Scotts in an away debate. Our B team unfortunately lost in a very close debate, but our A team won their first GPS debate against the Scotts year seven A team.

In round Five of the debating season High's B team competed successfully against Newington. However, our A team lost in an extremely close debate against the Newington A's, with both sides contributing strongly.

As the GPS Debating tournament drew to an end, our second-last debate for the season was at home against Grammar. Both teams (and I'm sure all the other High teams also felt this) were eager to gain a win against Grammar, but in spite of a gallant effort both our year seven teams succumbed to the strong skill of Grammar's two teams.

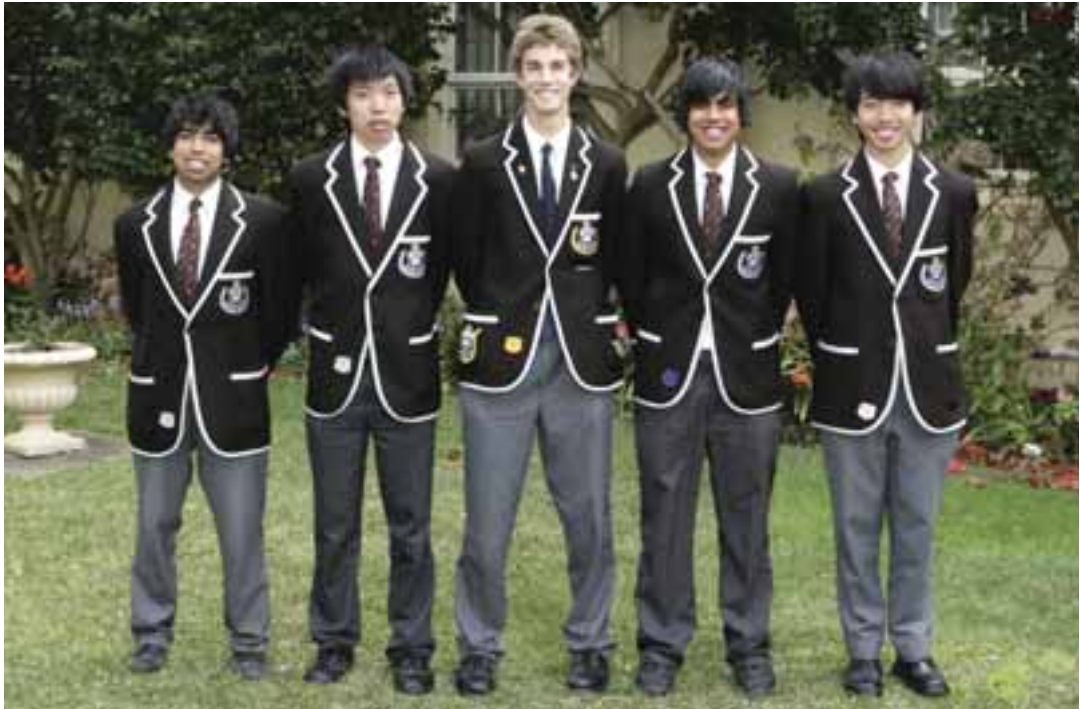
The GPS Debating tournament ended with High debating against Shore, with both our year seven A and B teams trying their best to end the season on a 'high' note. Unfortunately neither of our teams succeeded in getting the upper hand through the debate and lost against their Shore counterparts in very close debates.

We year seven GPS debaters have had our fair share of debating ups and downs, but have cherished and will continue to cherish each and every memory of the terrific season we had. An extremely big thank you for everything they have done throughout the season must go to the Sydney High debating coordinator, Ms Quick, for organizing everything to do with Sydney Boys High Debating, our lovely parents, for carting us all around Sydney to our debating venues and supporting us every week in the audience, and last but not least our debating coaches, especially Ellie, for coaching and teaching us every week so we could be better prepared for the tough challenges of GPS level debating.

Shawn Noronha, Captain.
GPS Debating Team – Year 7



First Grade GPS Debating
S.Garafano, A.Paul, M.Phillis.



Second and Third Grade GPS Debating

P.Baweja, C.Wong, C.Katsikaros, A.Chawla, J.Chan.



Year Eleven CHS Debating

A.Paul, A.Chawla, Ms B.Berger (Facilitator), M.Phillis, J.Chan.



Year 10 Debating

Back Row: D.Wang, E.Ovadia, S.Salagame, M.Tickner.

Front Row: K.Sivayogarayan, M.Rozsa, N.Bhagwat (Captain), A.Rudder, S.Kinger.



Year 9 Debating

Back Row: H-T.Lin, A.Purcal, B.Wilcox, S.Saleh.

Front Row: J.Vuong, C.Chiam, S.Sethi, Z.Mohamed Rizvi, S.Prusty.



Year 8 Debating

Back Row: Y.Shi, J.Pallandi, W.Koslowski, S.Viswanadham.

Front Row: C.Robinson, A.Singh, K.Dhamoon (Captain), C.York, K.Vyas.



Year 7 Debating

Back Row: A.Hassan, P.Stephens, A.Liu, G.Zheng, S.Saleh, S.Wong.

Front Row: N.Wang-Ly, C.Shi, S.Noronha (Captain), J.Chan, J.Kuang.

Public Speaking

Public speaking is gaining more popularity and is another avenue of school life where we proudly stand strong against other GPS schools. There is a large amount of success meriting the people involved in public speaking due largely to the great coaching of Ms Howland and Kelvin. Christopher Chiam won the junior section of the Eastern Suburbs Public speaking competition last year and also made it into the regional finals of the Legacy Junior public speaking award along with with Khushaal Vyas. Khushaal Vyas also achieved a place in the state final of the Rostrum Voice of Youth Competition. Siddharth Sethi received a second place in the local finals of the same competition as did Cameron Morrison. Cameron Morrison

convincingly made his way through to the regional finals in the Plain English Speaking Competition. At the Sydney Eisteddfod Performing Arts Challenge Krishna Visvaa won 3rd place and Daniel Fang and Amarbir Singh received Highly Commended awards. Other public speakers who deserve recognition for great performances in various competitions are John Aclis, Stephen Garofano, Alain Nguyen, Hayden Schilling, Siddharth Sethi, Christopher Pinto, Andrew Tayeh, Raghbir Siddiquee and Kritman Dhamon. Overall Sydney Boys High is making a name for itself in public speaking and is hoping to see lot more interested young public speakers in 2010.

Cameron Morrison



English

Literary Contributions

Belonging

Komura Hiyashi pushed his shirt into moth-y trousers. He checked his face in the mirror, pulled up his tie and grimaced at his reflection. While humming the first few bars of the National Anthem to clear his throat, he scooped cold water from the spigot and wet his cheeks. Why was he nervous? He had done this a million times before, what the hell made today any different? Nerves surged up into his skull like a black sun, inevitable, inexorable, left him with viscid forehead, with skin that felt like someone else's—nothing inside but ash and needles and mud. *This is an omen*, Komura found himself thinking, *stay home, lock up*. Ten years dead and his father's parochial superstitions still managed to rile his imagination. In spite of his condition, the stockbroker chuckled. He would close this deal and afterwards he would go on a holiday. Somewhere cold: Kushiro. North winds, that's what he needed; snow skating and slithering over the Pacific. He dried his hands on a paper towel and stepped back into the restaurant.

'Mr. Hiyashi!', a heavy-set businessman shouted as he trudged in, 'hurry up now, we don't have all day.' The man sat rooted at his seat, navy jacket drooped over his shoulders, waving his hands as if he were popping bubbles. His comrades were arguing over something on the menu. Komura sat down to join them. He pulled his briefcase on to the table pushing aside a tray full of chewed cigarettes.

'My apologies, gentlemen,' he said in a solemn tone sharpened by years of indifference, 'have you made a decision over the Hong-Kong move? As I said, we can hedge your assets and technically avoid tax if you were to shift your ventures offshore.'

Silver cars whined outside. The television, with its grainy technicolour, droned on at the edge of the bar: *'Police have named ten men, allegedly linked to a religiously-motivated, domestic terrorist group.'*

Komura peeked upwards as he passed a sheaf of notes around the table.

'More than five thousand people have been brought to hospitals in major districts following the Chiyoda line,'

the reporter announced in tones without emotion or striation. *'Most have complained of migraines and vision problems, though we can confirm that fifty-four patients have been deemed severe or critical.'*

This all looks fantastic, Mr. Hiyashi, but what of our manufacturing plants? We'd have to consider new staffing and contract policies, trans-nationally.'

Komura shut his briefcase, numb to everything but the television's silken tenor.

'The sarin compound is a manufactured chemical that has—'

'—the most serious attack since World War Two—'

'—following symptoms, please ensure—'

For twenty-five years Komura caught the Tokyo Metro. Carried along by eddies of steel and chrome, his febrile University years bled into the silent commutes of adulthood. He had sworn an oath to join the student protests on that train, his head brimming with revolution—he saw blood in the eyes of others. News rushed through its carriages like a scream in a pinhole: he knew the Americans had stepped into Iraq, he saw the first Japanese satellite launch, he heard the shot that killed John Lennon. He had met his first wife there, with her hair down to there, her legs up to here. The recklessness of adolescence was personified in that demure smile, that tiptoe walk, that narcotic stare, that mind no one could read.

'The gold standard is much lower than 1994's, do you recommend purchasing in Yen or Euro?'

From the Shibuya station he would organise Manila folders, he would balance his life on a sheet of toxic sums. He would peek out at the new Lexus model; he would worry about global warming, he learnt that the tumour had taken his father. His history on a subway—why was this comforting? The memories, the promises, the stories he weaved in the suffocating silence of this metal shell, why were they made more significant? Perhaps it was because they survived for so long, each passed word and humming thought etched somewhere inside him. Heat and helplessness, pain and sorrow, serenity,

compassion, stalwart hope, virulent loneliness. The train meant transience, it meant change, it meant moving forward whatever the situation, yet these fragments—the skeleton of his past—they had survived.

Komura's ashen faced never strained from the television set. He rubbed the back of his neck until it was red and smooth. His rice was inedible, inked with soy sauce. Someone was calling his name, his forehead creased and he tried to respond. Nearby, a flock of magpies alighted on a bus-stop and began picking at scraps of meat. Beside him, a pot-bellied man in a tweed suit slurped up shanks of translucent king fish. Garish billboards creaked in the breeze. Bruised-blue exhaust fumes plaited together, tugged at a spool of March lanterns. *Definitely omens*. He would go home, he thought, by taxi, and sleep. He would devote several hours pacing around his apartment. He had a dozen portfolios to update but he would not make the time. His phone would ring day and night—customers, colleagues, managers, coming and going, abrupt as a seizure—and he would not answer. There are many things to do today, and he would do none of them.

'Mr. Hiyashi, how will our stock diversity reduce production overheads?'

The reporter smiles and nods and pledges an update every hour.

Bryant Apolonio

Special Place

Comrade Vasiliy crunched magenta leaves on a crisp autumn morning, the sky as blue and grey and blank as sleep. 1947, the tanks trundled and screeched across asphalt, their noxious bouquet of diesel and sweat tightened the skin, the dip and lilt of victorious trumpets sounded like a chainsaw to him. Hands in pockets, shoes laced tight, Vasiliy trudged past the rust brown gates of Waslov Park. Posters etched with newspaper headline slogans—Beloved Stalin! A fortune of the nation—cast ominous glares upon blanketed pedestrians.

The park was an escape; days of pain, months of heartbreak, years of longing brought him here. The trees, huddled together like soldiers in the cold, summoned some veneer of inner-peace, the *chikka-chikka* of arctic winds whirled through their knotted branches. Even the hefty shouts of the street vendors and the stench of their bine soaked wares

failed to permeate this stalwart wall. Vasiliy pulled out a pinch of tobacco from a tin box and shuffled towards a paint-peeled bench. His hands moved deftly, his skin, white and harsh, twisting paper as he had always done.

Three years ago, at the height of spring, he had sat on the very bench and spotted her. A young woman sitting cross-legged at the other side of the park, her bountiful head stooped over a yellow book. Her hair was pencilled in gold and ivory and oblong spectacles slipped softly to the end of her nose. She was what one would call classically beautiful, statuesque but not cold; familiar. Like an insect seeks the flower that most resembles, in scent and image, its own species, so Vasiliy felt in his gut a primal yearning. This woman, he knew, was a part of him. But it was difficult in this atmosphere of austerity, this dark regime, to seek the company of strangers, let alone female ones. Against his better judgement, he approached her. They spoke.

Her skin was soft bark, a vivacious russet. She was Crimean, a Crimean Tatar, her family had emigrated to the city when the War had begun. She was a writer, though she did so under various pseudonyms as was the requirement for the intelligentsia in these frantic times. He smiled and laughed with her, was elated just to catch her words, to pocket them like coins. They spoke of art and politics and the opera, and as each topic bled into the next, Vasiliy felt that they had shaped the air and sky around them, as if they had carved out statues with music and commonality and sympathetic smiles. The fountain in front of them sprayed gleefully, its reflections and refractions of sunlight on crystalline skin defied so many laws of colour and gravity. For weeks they would meet in the same place, they would blossom and know each other, and Vasiliy would often feel out of breath but never tired. They lost time like buttons, like pencils. He was happy. He was overwhelmed. People are so easy to please, he thought, his arm wrapped around his lover's svelte frame, give me this, just this, and I'll have enough. This will be enough to make it through.

The deportations began in May that year. Over 200,000 Tartars were expelled and deported by the Soviet Union in both Russia and the Ukraine. They were accused of sympathising and collaborating with the Nazis. The great fist of the Undersecretary swept an entire people under the table; Vasiliy watched and hoped but did not follow.

Despite the algae that caked it, black ice that crawled up its sides like an impending militia, the rough cement fountain never failed to spill and bubble. Its sound washed over comrade Vasiliy, he pulled the remnants of the sodden cigarette from his chalky lips and tossed it, still smoking, into the dirt. Grinding it with the heel of his tight laced boot, he adjusted the scarf that had wound—perhaps tied—itsself around his neck. Tomorrow I will return, he thought as he ventured the first tentative steps back into Civilisation.

Bryant Apolonio

Entropy

Audrey Heinlein, Mother Lieutenant of *Laika 5*, was happy. She ran her fingers down a warm metal door, that housed at least twenty blossoming embryos. With one rheumy eye, she glanced to other side of the white panelled room, and smiled again, at the reassuring neon glow of the freezing chamber that housed close to two hundred suspended incipients. Hot and cold balanced in perfect equilibrium. She was the last of her generation—of twenty young and able men and women—but she was content that her purpose had been served.

It had taken forty seven arduous years to perfect the technology but, as the sail gave way to the steam engine and jets supplanted propellers, so too did laser power, pushing an object ever forward at one tenth the speed of light, render the rocket obsolete. The *Laika 5*, blanketing the stars with its leviathan solar sails, was the first vessel to have successfully breached the Kuiper asteroid belt. It was also the fourth built specifically for interstellar travel, fitted not only with the revolutionary NASA laser propulsion engine, automated computer guidance system, on-board energy production but also with the ten cryogenic units. The cryogenics! The Mother Lieutenant had a duty to nurture the eggs as they made the 2.5 million light year journey to the Andromeda Galaxy. For that was the plan, educate three generations of astronauts, over almost three hundred years, to explore the M32 satellite galaxy—the most closely observed from earth—and populate it.

Heinlein had not made contact with NASA for almost twenty years (since passing Alpha Centauri) but it did not matter. She had a schedule, and as

long as she stuck to it, nothing could go wrong. She twisted a notch on the incubator to 38 degrees (she did this before lunch time every day) then turned it down to 35 degrees after dinner, then back to 37 before she went to bed. She pushed a large syringe into a clear bag, and watched the cadenced drip-dripping of supplements fall like the crystalline dew of striated caverns. She tightened the circular cooling nozzle atop the freezers, she gently brushed each shelf with a thin yellow paste that kept the tight cell walls healthy. She swept the exercise room which would not see use until about four years. She oiled the teach-bots and did a manual check-up to ensure they would work when the children were up and about. She unfolded and refolded the tiny space-suits, then sat on a black swivel chair and spent the rest of the day polishing off intricate games of Sudoku on the sprawling glass monitor. It would be good to have someone to talk to, but the last engine boy had died at a cheerful 72 and had to be hurled out into the ever-expanding vacuum of the universe. *Where shall I put the three?* Heinlein thought with blithe absentmindedness, *next to the five perhaps.*

Her eyes drifted towards the view at the window.

It was immense. The average human being can experience nothing more terrifying and humbling and sublime than the infinity of space. The coalescence of simplicity and horrific complexity is profound, the turning labyrinth of every conceivable colour and surface distorts and dilutes, the silence is as piercing and shrill as any banshee scream, relentless and inexorable, as unescapable as the bass of your heartbeat. The Mother Lieutenant did her best not to look out any of the windows or portholes of the *Laika* it often made her giddy and she lagged behind on the day's chores. This was somewhat disappointing as she had spent almost the first thirty years of her journey staring at behemoth comets that seemed to be moving through thick honey, at the stars that burnt out and exploded all around her, ones that reminded her of the human brain with electricity firing violently from synapse to synapse, at the whirling blue dust that surrounded gaseous giants, and the suns in every colour and size—a dark blood orange to a searing, immaculate white. *What would the planets on M32 look like?* she wondered, *hopefully like earth.* She could imagine immense seas that carved out the planet's landmasses and ridges. She saw colossal mountain ranges, dipped in alien flora, moss and

lichen, bled with wildflowers and tangled vines. She saw baby-blue skies, flecked with slow moving clouds, blessed with balmy weather and zephyrs so gentle that felt like a thousand invisible caresses.

Heinlein awoke with her mouth full of sand, she realised she had been dreaming all that time, and wiped her eyes vigorously with the sides of her hands. She went to work and did so, absolutely fulfilled, for the next ten years.

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If Commander Kippax Trope could read the long dead mind of his Mother Lieutenant, he would have been amazed and astounded at her uncannily accurate, neo-Nostradamus visions of the New World. Of course, he would most likely remain amazed and astounded at the *other* extremely earth-like qualities of Planet S124. Namely that it was populated and colonised by earthlings.

Buildings of glass and carbon steel scratched at the blue, though verging on the more appropriate grey, sky. Cars buzzed around like hornets, and passenger planes scorched the horizon. Ten years after the *Laika 5* had warped into the unknown, a young German physicist had postulated a new method of traversing space. Working off earlier research on the teleportation of atoms over short distances, he took the process further and began to teleport larger and larger objects (after all, everything tangible and sentient, is made up of these very atoms) over greater and greater distances. The *Laika 6* was able to cut its predecessors 300 year journey in half, by avoiding the conventional relativistic problems of time dilation! Ten years after that, a more efficient power generator, that harnessed not only light energy, but gravitational and thermal also, gave lift off, to use the expression, to the *Laika 7* which cut its predecessors journey by a quarter!

Commander Trope and his twenty strong crew slotted the ship carefully between *Laika 10* and *Laika 15*. He was fuming. Seventeen years with teach bots, every day hitting the gym for this moment. Never mind that the air here was breathable, they were supposed to be goddamn pioneers! Punching his now useless flag into the dirt, he stomped off back into the ship. They still had upwards of one hundred embryos: NASA would certainly cop an earful when they got back.

Bryant Apolonio

It's always Greener at Prestige Avenue

The fresh smell of unburnt petrol and newly cut grass. The skid marks of bikes, scooters and hundreds of thousands of bouncing balls are left imprinted on to the footpath. Prestige Avenue buzzes with life, oblivious to the red ball of sun sinking under the purple red horizon.

Nonna from across the road is making her way to Auntie Nia's house on the corner. The pot he's holding tips as it cushions the pensioner's limp, and the Singhs are praying as the scent of sandalwood settles amongst the mellow feel of spring. For Roshani, this neighbourhood is more than just a home – she just can't believe it's Spring already. Time passes by so quickly here.

Now it's about time the Campbells over at number fifty-two bring their deck chairs out on to the porch. Oh, and for Tigger, the cat who lives over at number twenty-four, spring means hunting season – this time it's guaranteed he will catch that mouse that never seems to stay in one spot. Yes, and Diwali's coming soon so that means the sitars over at the Shankars' at number ten will play those sweet melodic chords, whispering faint notes, each one telling a story of its musical beginnings. If anyone's lucky, they'll be able to hear Sasha at number eighty sing one of Liza Minelli's numbers as she religiously waters those plants – every night at six.

Panning over the neighbourhood in her balcony at number thirty-five, Roshani Silva watches the FOR SALE sign at number sixty collapse, as the frame of the new owner, Peter Dunsworth emerges from behind the cardboard poster. As usual the 'welcome basket' is making its way towards Dunsworth with Kathleen. She's on her final month of maternity leave – she's practically welcomed everyone to the neighbourhood.

'Hi, my name's Kathleen. I'm from number fifty up the road.' She smiles with her trademark dimples. No one smiles like Kathleen.

'Get off my property!'

'Sorry?'

'It's my property. I don't want your people snooping about.' Straight-forward, simple - the man is on a roll.

But as Dunsworth closes the door behind him, Roshani notices the basket placed near the door, scones and all. Returning to her bedroom, Roshani

chuckles as she recalls of her first time at Prestige Avenue:

'You're stuck with us, Dunsworth ...whether you like us or not.'

Gananatha Minithantri

Dale Remembers

Dale remembers when it happened, the worst drive of his life. The stars were bright that night in an undisturbed sky. His wife in the front wailing. Sweat on the steering wheel and foot unsteady on the pedal. When they pulled up, outside Katby, police greeted them with their heads bowed, made their condolences. The crushed vehicle lay overtured in the scrub. He can't remember much more.

The rain increases to the sound of applause with every gust. He lies awake in the bed, fan idling overhead and the blinds bashing against the frame of the open window. She is still asleep, undisturbed by the southerly, her long black hair blowing under the fan's breeze. He gets out of the bed and shuts the window. The room is silent except the hum of the fan.

He walks to the balcony to let the dog in. It sleeps downstairs in the garage and is delighted to see him. He walks out onto the balcony followed by the dog. It is still black out to sea. The fishing boats are starting to return now, they roll in the chop and slow as they approach the small harbour. Dale watches in the wind and rain as the boats begin unloading their blue tubs, full from the night's work.

Dale makes himself a strong coffee and then grabs his keys and goes downstairs to the car. On his way he picks a bunch of flowers from the garden. The old soft-top 4WD looks more like a buggy, but it's all he needs up here. He puts the flowers on the dash then the car into gear and backs out and drives up the road. The lighthouse is still on, illuminating the haze far out to sea. He turns on to the Gildroy Highway just outside town and pushes the little 4WD into 5th. The headlights are weak but there aren't many cars on the road.

As he drives the gum trees shrink into red sand and saltbush. The darkness is behind him, he puts the sun shield down, as the morning light penetrates the horizon. The rain has stopped now and the clouds are beginning to glow a soft orange. The lines in the middle of the road are broken and keep a steady pulse as he drives. There is nothing out here only the road and him. Flat as far as he can see in

every direction. The strong summer sun has begun to heat the road and mirages form ahead of him.

The car slows just outside of Katby and Dale brings it to a halt on the side of the road. Ignition off, the car begins to creak and tick as the heated parts shrink. He grabs the flowers and gets out. The land is still empty. Katby is twenty kilometres away. The small pile of flowers on the side of the road is a mess, and the desert days in the sun and wind have faded the photos of his daughter almost beyond recognition. He lays the flowers down by the side of the photo of her first day at school, one of the few that shows her face clearly. 'Happy Birthday.' He says it aloud.

He gets back into the car and his hands sweat on the wheel and his legs tremble, tears start but he can't stop them. He pulls the car off the red and onto the road, and drives back into the wind and rain.

Jonah Petrie

The Moon

By darkness,
By night,
One lone thing is shining,
Giving off the only light.

The fluffy white lines
That the aeroplane leaves behind
Will be touching dawn soon,
By the waning of the moon.

By Michael Hughes

Moon Poem

The moon up in the night sky
Is always able to catch your eye.
A small white disc from another place
And sometimes it even has a face.

The wonderful gleaming light
And the perfect shape every night.
The power of the moon
Turns people into loons.

It sucks the ocean up when full
And gives an almighty pull.
Almost like a spirit
Because it shines so bright.

It seems as if it is waiting
For people to come and try
To find out secrets and find some more
Even if we die.

By Ned Anson

The Moon

O moon you are the sail of the night.
Just as the sail of the boat powers it,
You power the night.
O moon so powerful you are.

Sunchit Sethi

The Moon

An active shadow
dancing and prancing
into the darkness of night

Andrew Cheung

The Moon

The sun retreated to its abode,
And across the skies the moon strode.
It flickered and winked at the humans below,
Making them wonder what makes it glow.
The Earth was bathed in a bright white light,
It was an overwhelming sight.
Its brilliant dazzle dwarfed the stars.

Sid Subramanian

The Moon

The Moon
Looking ever so mighty
Hangs in the sky
Shining ever so brightly.

Its light penetrates the darkness
The white lines rubbing out the black.
Sometimes it is lonely
Sometimes there are stars behind its back.

Christopher Wang

Moon Madness

Moon madness, moon madness
Ears grow and eyes bulge.
Moon madness, moon madness,
Muscles swell and senses surge.

In the dark the hunters pass,
In they close to make the kill.
Shouts erupt, hoarse and bass,
Meat to eat, soup to swill.

Moon madness, moon madness,
Ears grow and eyes bulge.
Moon madness, moon madness,
Muscles swell and senses surge.

Noses sniff and ears all twitch,
Join the mêlée, round and round,
Combatants die and combatants switch,
Screeching and scratching, sight and sound.

Moon madness, moon madness,
Ears grow and eyes bulge.
Moon madness, moon madness,
Muscles swell and senses surge.

As the moon sinks slowly down,
The wolves will howl and change back soon.
Then the men will slink around,
Ready for the next full moon.

Jens Waring

Sleeping Through Sleepless Nights

Sleeping through sleepless nights
My mind wanders through my deepest delights
But nothing that I will ever do
Can hold a candle to that light of you.
I know I'm happiest when you're around
I always count on you to get rid of my frown
You're always there when I need to talk
It doesn't matter that I'm a giant beanstalk.
Remember when we ate out at those bars?
It was a group, but it was just us under the stars
When I talk to you I don't have to hide
You don't judge, though you may gently chide.
All you want is what is best for me
And if you had my eyes then you would see
That what would be best, without any doubt
Is if you would let me take you out.

Chris Morrow

The Vice

That they may live their lives at ease
And take pleasure in the fact
They should thank the heavens as they please
The lucky ones who remain untouched.

The villain in the blackest cape
The price that we must pay to live
The curse that none escape
I would name it the great human vice.

Why then is man so firmly bound
In search of these false things?
Soul mates can't be found
And miracles don't exist.

And the intruder of our dreams
It is the corruptor of our minds
Not nearly as it seems
Is love, which every human craves.

Sam Weight

Year

Spring. Things are just fine,
Things will grow, flowers they blossom
Like my love for you.

Summer. Days are hot,
Things don't grow, they reach their peak
I can't bear to leave.

Autumn. It gets cool,
Leaves will wilt. Colours, they change
Things will settle down.

Winter. Things will die
Things will end, all feels so cold
How could I love you?

Spring will come but then,
So will winter, I feel weak
Love, how I hate thee.

Leo Lou

Mathematics

Results of the Australian Mathematics Competition

Year	Prizes	HDs	Ds	Cs	Number
7	2	17	118	37	179
8	4	25	93	52	175
9	6	17	98	54	192
10	2	24	86	70	200
11	4	38	59	49	163
12	1	22	38	48	120

The prize winners:

Year 7: Nathan Wang-Ly, Jeremy Chan

Year 8: Darryl Chan, Maurice Lam, Ying Wu, Shuming Wang

Year 9: Kenny Lau, Tim Montanaro, Hiram Yu, Andrew Fong, James Dong, Nicholas Han

Year 10: Declan Gorey, Sunny Lao

Year 11: Kai Wen Su, John Wormell, Erick Wong, Michael Wang

Year 12: Victor Lam

Results of the UNSW Maths Comp

Junior Division

Declan Gorey [2nd(æq)]

Dawen Shi [3rd(æq)]

Max Wei [High Distinction]

Senior Division

Charley Peng [Distinction]

Yiming Cao [Distinction]

Daniel Luo [Certificate]

Daniel Lambert [Certificate]

Declan Gorey received Silver in the Australian Intermediate Mathematical Olympiad (AIMO).

He has been invited to join the training squad for the International Mathematical Olympiad.

Congratulations and best wishes go to him!

Science

Science Competition results

In this years National Science Competition, students at Sydney High achieved;

78 High Distinctions; 411 Distinctions; 350 Credits

Australian National Chemistry Quiz

4 High Distinction Excellence awards

160 High Distinctions; 234 Distinctions; 141 Credits



Australian Olympiad Qualification examinations

Results from the Olympiad exams this year-

Vithushan Mohan was selected to join the Biology Olympiad team Summer School.

Examination results were as follows:

Biology

Vithushan Mohan – High Distinction

Robert Lu – Distinction

Mohit Tugnait – Distinction

Julian UBaldi - Credit

Chemistry

Vithushan Mohan – High Distinction, Kai Lin – Distinction, Jonathon Du – Credit, Richard Lin – Credit,

Physics

Distinction –Eric Feng, Credit – Anirban Ghose, Credit – Phillip Nguyen.



Social Science

Our Faculty: Mr Codey, Mr Dolan, Dr Finnie, Dr Ganderton, Mr Kay, Mr Moody, Mr Storey, and Mr Loizou.

Competitions

In 2009 a large number of our students entered the National Geography Competition, the ASX game and the UNSW Economics and Business Studies competition.

ASX

This year we saw record entries of students from Year 9-12 entered into the ASX (stock market game). Each student was given hypothetically \$50,000 for trading. The first game started in April; just as the bear market (stagnant or retreating share prices) was beginning to turn into a bull market (an upturn in the price of shares). Unlike last year, many boys enjoyed success with most making a handy profit over a short period of time. Andy Ho of Year 10 was the most notable place getter turning his \$50,000 into \$86,398, also finishing 3rd in NSW and 7th in the nation. The second round of trading began in September and with a continued positive economic outlook it's going to be obvious that many boys will be making easy money. They must not be

overconfident though as anything can be lurking around the corner. History tends to repeat itself.

Well done to all the participants and to Mr Dolan who organised the event over the years.

Geography Competition.

All students Year 7-10 participated in the 2009 Australian Geography Competition. Participation for Year 11-12 was voluntary for those who do not study Geography. Of the 764 participants, 270 students received a high distinction, 134 received a distinction and 164 received a credit. Of particular note this year are Ashwin Rudder (equal second in State) with Andrew Chan, Andy Ho and Yu Sing Chan as equal fifth in State. Well done to all the boys and Dr Ganderton for organising the event.

Economics Competition

Students from Year 10 Commerce and all Year 11-12 Economics students were entered into the competition. Of the 157 participants, 7 received prizes, (Frank Li, Bohan Tang, Kang Lim. Liam Aylmer, Nathan Kok, David Nam and Tian Yu Li), 5 boys received a high distinction, 41 received a distinction and 63 received a credit.



Our senior Geographers in action on the Mt Kosciuszko field trip

Business Studies competition

All students studying Business Studies in the senior school entered the competition plus a small group of interested Year 10 Commerce students. The results were rather impressive. Of the total 55 boys who participated 15 received Prizes, (Tian Yu, Patrick Hsiao, Barry Chen, Eric Feng, Clinton Jiang, Andy Lu, Stephen Yoon, Yixin Liu, Jun Gao, Daniel Huang, Jimari Bastable, Dale Chen, Leo Gordon, Walter Santucci and Michael Wang), 7 received a high distinction, 14 got a distinction and 10 received a credit. Well done boys.

Other extra curricula activities

Social Science students participated in the usual array of other activities. Year 8 visited Bicentennial Park Wetlands as part of their study unit "Investigating Global Environments and Communities". Year 9 Geographers visited Pymont as part of their studies investigating "Sustainable Sydney" and "Urban Dynamics". Year 10 attended Long Reef as part of their study unit "Issues in Australian Environments". Stage 6 Geographers visited Mt Kosciusko as part of their unit (Ecosystems) and an "Urban Dynamics" fieldtrip. Year 11 Business Studies participated in the University of Newcastle Business Plan competition.

P Loizou

ASX Schools Share Market Game 2009

Rank	Syndicate	\$	STUDENT NAME	YR
7th Nation 3rd NSW 1st SBHS	Deathalicious	86,398	Andy Ho	10
2nd SBHS	X Factor 9	72,564	Ling Xiong, Terence Chiem	10
3rd SBHS	Shogun Warm	72,317	Howe Chen, Leo Fang, Michael Lam	9
4th SBHS	Dizzy Spells	70,490	Adrian Zhang, David Zhang, Roger Zhang Harry Zhuang	11
5th SBHS	Prehistoric Raptors	70,165	Albert Ngyuen, Eric Du	10
6th SBHS	Priests of Judas	68,838	Charlie Chau, Denny Chandra, Kevin Lin	10
7th SBHS	Swashbuckler	66,890	Kevin Xu	9
8th SBHS	Scream Inc	65,817	Daniel Liang, Jason Fan, Richard Lin	9
21st SBHS	Double Cheeseburgers.	62,450	Kang Lim, Nicholas Wong	12

Game 1 of the Australian Schools Share market Game was highly successful and enjoyable for High students this year. Sydney High had 134 syndicates, of between 1 and 4 students competing in this national competition. 90% of our syndicates finished the Game with their portfolios in profit. Over the eight week period in which the game was conducted, there had been a lot of volatility and uncertainty in the market. Over 40,000 students participate nationally in this year's game.

The ASX Share Market Game has become an integral part of our Commerce Program and it is keenly

contested by Senior Economics and Business Studies students, although once again Yr 9 and Yr 10 Commerce students outperformed their senior colleagues.

The national winner finished with \$99,841 and the leading NSW syndicate, \$87,106.

Congratulations to Andy Ho Yr 10 who came 7th nationally and 3rd in NSW with a total of \$86,398, for which he receives a cheque for \$250 and a trophy. This prize was presented to Andy at a school Assembly.

Strategies

Andy Ho. Yr 10.(Deathalicious)

Strategy: "I was careful to select shares with the most potential for growth in a short period. A good example of this was 'Bradken'. These shares had been around \$11 five months earlier and their share price had dropped to around \$1. Therefore, if they reached \$2 for example, I would achieve 100% growth.

The best tool that I used was the Share graphs, showing their price over recent months. Using these graphs I could also gauge whether the share was in a recovery phase, or whether the trend was still heading downwards. After I had selected the 5 most suitable stocks, I then purchased close to the



Andy Ho

maximum allowance of each. I regularly monitored the performance of each of the stocks, versus the performance of the All Ords and other shares in the Game. Fortunately all of my shares were showing reasonable growth.

Adrian Zhang Yr 11.(Dizzy Spells)

Strategy: "The strategy we used was to buy shares that were low in cost, like Bradken, Gunns Limited and Fairfax Limited. We thought these shares couldn't go any lower in price, so they must go up. We also invested some money into Rio Tinto. This proved to be a wise move as they raced from \$40 to \$70 during the course of the Game. The major company that made our portfolio rise was Bradken. We bought 10,500 shares while Bradken was around \$1.10...At the end of the Game they finished around \$4 per share. Our ASX Game strategy was pretty basic, we just bought shares that were cheap and we didn't over-think the Game too much."

Albert Nguyen and Eric Du Yr 10.(Prehistoric Raptors)

Strategy: "...The first strategy we used was to buy cheap shares under \$1.50. This worked because even if the shares only went up in value a little bit, we had a vast quantity of them which would give us a greater profit. The second strategy we used was to stick with the shares we had for the majority of the Game. This proved a good strategy as the shares we chose to invest in continued to increase over the remainder of the Game."

Each year students are encouraged to find and invest in companies which display high ethical and moral standards, are good corporate citizens and demonstrate a commitment to the environment. They are still looking!

**Tom Dolan, ASX Game Coordinator,
Social Science Faculty**

Boom and Bust

Wall St Crash 1929	Booming share market, everybody making money then.....
Black Thursday 24/9/29	Shares on Wall St drop by 13%
Black Tuesday 29/9/29	Market drops another 12%
Black Monday 10/10/87	Dow Jones drops 27.6% in oneday.Australian market loses 41.8%!
Dot Com Bubble 2001 - 2001	Dot com stocks boomed and then crashed
Credit Crunch 2007 - 2008	Dow Jones down 34%, Australia down 41.3%
2009 – 2014?	What goes up must come down and vice versa!

Visual Arts

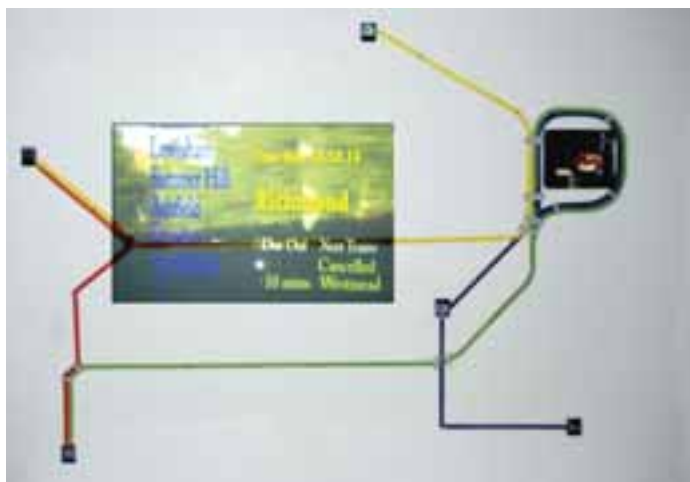


Bryant Apolonio, "Bal Des Savages[Wild Man's Ball]", 2009, ink and mixed media

Year 12 Visual Arts

The 2009 Visual Arts class finished on a high note with strong Body of Work submissions from all. Highlights were the animated mural size ink work by Bryan Apolonio with its multitude of dark characters and incidents; the outstanding enigmatic photographs by Josh Tassell which reflected his professional attitude and transformed the urban world; and Beau Greenslade's atmospheric and disturbing film "Gyron". Beau was our first HSC student to produce a Visual Arts and an English Extension film in the new multi media lab with the constant generous assistance from the SBHS IT guru, James Rudd and invaluable guidance from Mrs

Collignon. He received a highly commended at the V Fest and his film was screened at the Chauvel Cinemas. Neil Street filmed and photographed the city train lines in his dynamic multimedia installation piece and Roshan Kashyap produced engaging, playful and vibrant stencilled toys and prints. Adam Richards explored the imaginative possibilities of religion and technologies in his oil painting diptych and Balraj Ougra painted a spiritual and uplifting depiction of the Golden Temple on a series of canvas board. Johnny Lieu captured moments of city life in interactive sculptural forms which force the viewer to become voyeur.



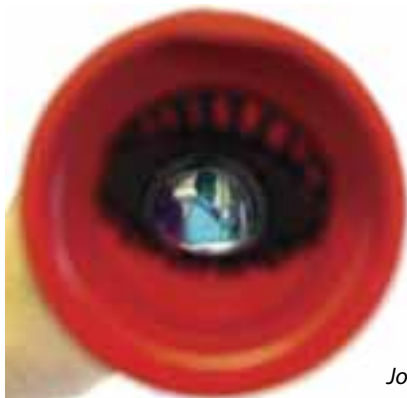
Neil Street "Day Tripper", 2009, multi media



Roshan Kashyap
"Company Man",
2009, Collection
of Works

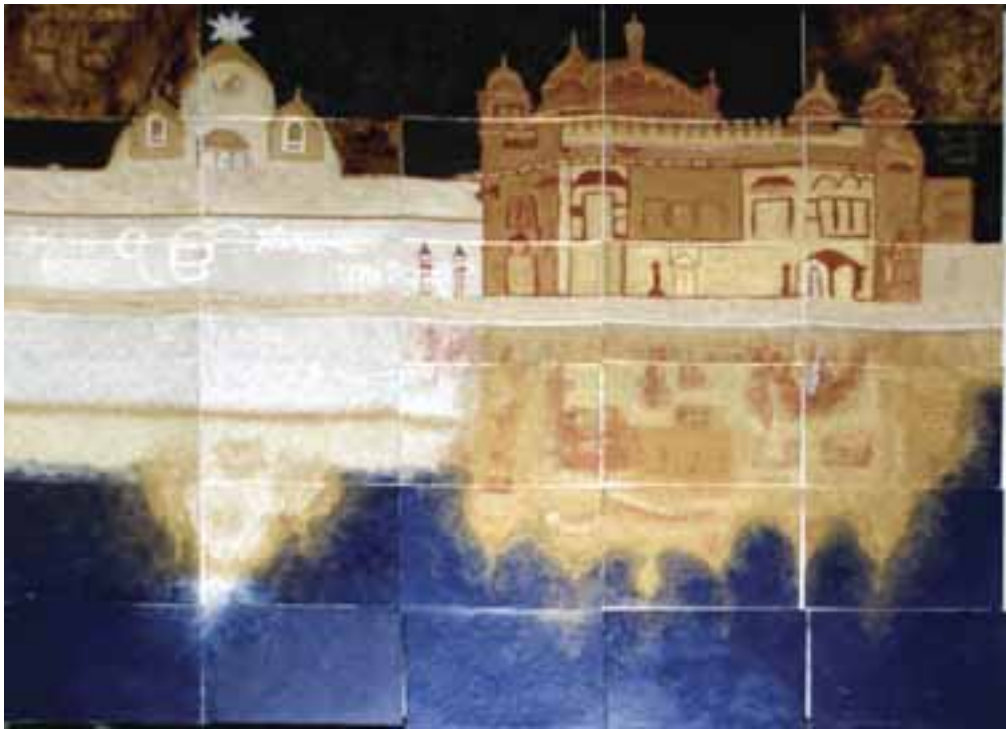


Adam Richards
"Urban God",
2009, Painting



Johnny Lieu, "Wish You
Were Here", 2009, Sculpture





Balraj Ougra "Golden Temple 1984", 2009, Painting



Beau Greenslade, stills from "Gyron", 2009, film



Josh Tassell, "A Heaven on Earth", 2009

Visual Arts Excursions and Events



In the studio with Guy Warren

Senior Art students visited the studios of prominent Sydney artists Deborah Beck [painter/drawer], Jim Croke [Sculptor] and old boy Archibald Prize recipient Guy Warren and gained an invaluable insight into artist practice. It was a very enjoyable experience for all.

Extension Workshop

Sculptor Ochre Lawson ran an after school sculpture workshop where students discovered anatomy and gesture and built plaster bandage figurative sculptures over a wire armature. This workshop was funded by the talent development committee.

Other Excursions

Year 8 attended the annual zoo excursion in perfect weather and with the baby elephant as a highlight. Great drawings were



Terence Chiem

gathered as starting points for ink and lino works back in class.

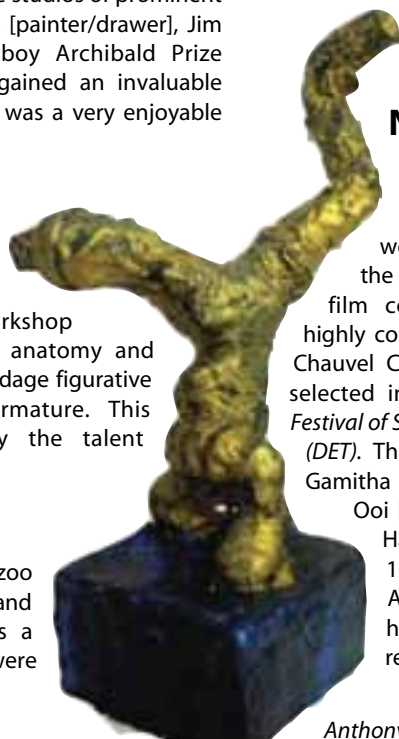
Year 10 Visual Arts had a drawing day in the city as the springboard for their School Certificate Body of Work.

Year 10 Visual Design visited the Object Gallery and the new sustainable Surry Hills Library for inspiration for their own sustainable design projects.

Years 12, 11 and 10 visited the Art Gallery of NSW, the State Library and the Museum of Contemporary Art to see Art Express, The Doug Moran Photographic Prize [Nevin Sporaljic and Nicholas Wong both had photographs accepted and displayed in this show], Contemporary Drawing and the Archibald Prize.

Noteworthy accomplishments

Sam Weight and Brendan Hancock won the junior division for their film at the Woollahra Youth Photographic and film competition. Beau Greenslade was highly commended at the V Fest show at the Chauvel Cinema. Two short film entries were selected into the *Making Movies Festival – A Festival of Student Video in the Sydney Region K-12 (DET)*. The successful films were Watched by Gamitha Samarasinghe, Abhi Dutta, Nicholas Ooi [Year 9] and Reel Friends by Andrew Hau and Leon Sheldon [Year 10]. About 10 films were entered into the Robin Anderson and they are still waiting to hear if they will be shortlisted as this report goes to print. Fingers crossed.



Anthony Lin

Year 7 Visual Arts



Gideon Kwok



Byron Zhou



David Feng



Sean Wang

Year 7 investigated fears and fantasies in different cultures past and present. They created a sculptural hybrid fantasy creature in clay. In the second half of the year students were introduced to the history of perspective and completed interior perspective drawings. These were developed into small canvas paintings.



Chris Mao



Dong Ko

William Ma



Calum York

Year 8 Visual Arts

Year 8 began the year studying portraiture, mastering facial proportions and developing clay masks. In the second half of the year they took the annual trip to Taronga zoo where they gathered direct sketches and developed them into expressive ink drawings and lino prints.

Sikander Hussaini



Michael Chang



Vincent Pham



Jeffrey Yang



Thilan Subasinghe



Andrew Cha

Year 9 Visual Arts



Abeer Khan



Carl Luiker



Benjamin Laird



Max Jones



Ethan Lieu



Matthew McDonald

Year 9 students explored the figure in art studying proportion, mark making and tonal modelling. Students also investigated movement and abstraction and produced stunning mixed media works in complementary colours and a range of sculptural forms.



Bart Daniels



Vincent Nguyen



Connor Stack

Year 10 Visual Arts



Andrew Huynh



Ken Shao



Mikey Reid



Leo Lou



Ishmam Bari



Anthony Lin



Tom Diep

Year 10 began the year exploring post modern concepts and major events and social issues. Students produced a mixed media appropriation art work addressing issues or events of concern and interest. The second semester saw students visit the city for a day of photography, film and drawing. Back in the classroom students were required to produce a Body of Work that reflected their impressions of the urban environment in a medium of their choice. Work ranged from large scale expressive drawings to lino prints to oil paintings.

Year 11 Visual Arts



Alexander Saunders

Year 11 Visual Arts students worked across a variety of mediums and themes from site specific to issues about personal and national identity. Students experimented with creating a mini Body of Work and explored the agencies of the artworld refining their responses to the cultural output of local and international artists.



Sam Darcy



Cailin McKay [Digital Imaging]

*Daniel Smith Light
[Digital Imaging]*



Year 9 Visual Design

Year 9 Visual Design students worked on a range of project. They developed a CD design using PhotoShop and utilising graphic design elements. Students then designed and constructed a treehouse using techniques investigated from indigenous cultures from felting to weaving to thatching. Their final project is to design a domestic home to suit a contoured landform based on a client's brief. Students develop floor plans, elevations and architectural models.

Toby Funston



Mathew Chan

Year 10 Visual Design

Year 10 Visual Design students developed animations using a variety of software based on the beach and coastal culture. Their starting point was Tom Roberts "Holiday Sketch at Coogee". Their major project for the year was to develop a design related to sustainability. Student's responses were mainly centred on domestic architectural solutions and a few civic structures such as a sustainable internet cafe.

Sport



Representatives

Back Row: M. Jones (Basketball GPS 2nd), C. Morrow (Volleyball CHS), J. Meaney (Basketball GPS 2nd).

Second Row: A. Paul (Debating CHS 1st, Football GPS 2nd), M. Li (Volleyball CHS 1st), S. Llewellyn (Basketball GPS 1st, CIS, NSW, Australian), B. Ougre (Volleyball CHS, Australian), S. Higgins (Basketball GPS 2nd, Football GPS 3rd, Athletics CHS), N. Dimitropoulos (Football GPS 2nd).

Front Row: F. Zhang (Tennis GPS 2nd, CHS 15s), G. Panas (Tennis CHS 15s), N. Spoljaric (Rifle Shooting GPS), J. Ireland (Football GPS 3rd), M. Tong (Rifle Shooting GPS), M. Phillis (Debating CHS 2nd), S. Garofano (Debating CHS 2nd).

Summer Sports Assemblies 2009

Summer Sports Assembly A

Good morning to coaches, staff, students and our special guest, Tim Hudson. This morning's first summer sports assembly is held annually to acknowledge and introduce the teams who have started GPS competition – basketball and cricket. Due to the late start for this term, basketball has already had a competition game against Newington. The cricket season commences with the first match against Kings on Saturday.

Basketball has taken on a higher profile in the GPS community since the home and away format was introduced several years ago. High's program has expanded and become more professional under the leadership of Ben Hayman. I want to thank him, all the coaches and the basketball committee for the fine job that they did last season. Alex Hayman and the coaching staff have given our boys that important component of self belief, so vital for team success. The finances of the basketball program have been well planned and managed, originally by Adrian Pluis and then George Chow, retiring from the role this year. I want to thank them for their efforts in establishing the Strategic Plans and development programs for the sport. High has become a very competitive school in basketball as a result of the efforts of many individuals over a period of five years. The volunteers from the basketball committee and interested parents put in a lot of work early in the year to erect additional training rings to increase opportunity for boys to practise their shooting. Our facilities have improved and we only need dedicated training by all teams to remain competitive. I trust that the 2009-10 season will be very rewarding for all participants. I wish Leo and his team all the best.

Once again I want to thank Laurie Heil for his leadership and organisation of cricket at High. We have the largest number of teams of any GPS school. We are limited only by the availability of grounds. Cricketers are starting to think more seriously about their strength and fitness needs. I am sure this trend will continue so that the participants can maximise their potential. We are pleased to welcome back Barry Davison and Ani Rao to mentor and guide our first and second XI cricket teams through the season. They are very generous in giving of their time to develop the individual skills and teamwork

of our sides. Quite a few of the boys are backing up after gaining valuable experience last year. We were competitive in 2008-09 after a slow start so that it is important that we start this year strongly in our first fixture against Kings. Good luck to Brian and his team.

We have approval for a covered outdoor learning area to be erected over the cricket nets within the next couple of months. This project will involve installing a 14m x 34m roof on steel pillars at a height of 4.5m. This will enable us to access the nets in all weather and to light the area for use at night. The plan includes securing the nets with fencing and movable gates. In winter, the space will provide for the first time a permanent home for fencing to operate from. During the week it will also provide shelter during inclement weather. The project will be financed by the Sydney High School Foundation using money from the Casey Bequest. I believe the facility will help in the development of cricket by extending the usable hours of the nets.

The tragic deaths of two very experienced yachties in the early hours of October 10 at Flinders Islet during the Ron Robertson Memorial Yacht Race, highlight the potential cost of mis-judgements in sport. Nothing can be taken for granted. Some sports are inherently risky. Some situations have the potential for drastic consequences if anything goes wrong. Safety needs to be our first priority. Please make sure you have all your appropriate equipment when competing and follow all the instructions by coaches and supervisors.

By way of contrast, the lifelong benefits of participating in sport were highlighted at the recent World Masters Games. People of all ages and abilities from all walks of life and many countries were united in the love of sport. They competed in Sydney in what has become a major tourist event. Having good training habits was frequently mentioned by athletes with longevity in their sports as being a cornerstone of their success. I urge all boys preparing for summer sports to get behind the strength and fitness and sprint programs. To reach and maintain a good level of fitness, you really need to be doing some sustained exercise each day. The health benefits of what you are doing now will last you well into your adult lives if you acquire good habits while at school.

I am very pleased at the signs I have seen of a culture change in sport at High. The attitude of individuals and teams is supportive and encouraging. We need to move even further in the direction of team building and mutual encouragement. We need to all focus on the goal of maximum team performance through maximum personal commitment.

I congratulate all boys who were selected in first and second grade GPS teams for the summer competition. I know you will do your best for yourselves, your teams and the school. Good luck for the season!

Dr KA Jaggar

Summer Sports Assembly B

Good morning and welcome to our summer sports assembly for sports whose competition commences in term 1. Tennis, water polo, swimming and sailing. To our special guest, coaches, parents and staff – thank you for your attendance. An equally important ritual this morning is the welcome by the student body and staff to Year 7. The clapping in ceremony is a corporate acknowledgement of the academic success of each student. They were all selected by means of a rigorous entrance test. We understand that each one of you is a gifted person. Our task is to turn your natural abilities into measurable outcomes in all areas of school life. The total curriculum at High is designed to achieve that objective. I expect that in the years ahead you will adopt our all rounder culture and work hard, train hard and play hard.

I want to thank all the coaches and players who have given up their time in the summer holidays to prepare themselves for term 1 competition. Our strength and fitness coach, Jason Tassell, has had a good response from dedicated trainers in the weights room during the vacation period. I urge boys again to avail themselves of this great service during the year for minimum cost. Monday afternoon sprint training is very beneficial, free and well patronised. Join the boys who want to improve their personal performance! Camps were held in cricket, rowing and basketball. Staff, students and coaches who participated are deserving of our special thanks, considering the relentless heat of January this year.

I am particularly pleased that water polo has taken hold again as a summer sport. The persistence of Mr

Ayre in securing venues and coaches and the dedication of Ms Evans as MIC have combined with the enthusiasm of the students to revive the sport at High. We now have two teams and our standard of play is improving with every match.

Our tennis program has been managed again by Mr Ayre in addition to his Head Teacher Sport role and I thank him and his staff on your behalf for his efforts. Thank you also to Old boy Peter Pereira for his work with first grade tennis again this season. I express my appreciation to Carl Nielsen and his coaches at Tennis-Wise for their coaching program. Our tennis program is well structured and resourced, with good facilities. Unfortunately, we do not practise often enough and long enough to reach the GPS standard. The culture of commitment has to start in Year 7. Again I urge all competition players to sign for the key and use our courts as often as they can to practise.

I would like to acknowledge the work of Adam South, our Old Boy sailing coach for his work in consolidating our program this year. Mrs Collignon and Mr Moody have made the sailing experience very pleasurable for participants. Our sailing program is also very well organised and resourced. We have a lack of senior participants at present and we would encourage Year 7 students who have not decided on a summer sport to consider sailing. The Thursday group of juniors is developing really well and enjoying their sport.

Thank you to Mr Ockert for organising swimming for several years. He has handed over the management of swimming to Mr Loizou for 2009 and the transition has been seamless. Congratulations to Alex Belokopytov and Jack Musgrove who are heading up our swimming team for the GPS season. Swimming is very inclusive as a sport. Swimmers who want to get fit and have a competitive swim can do so without having to face the championship division stars. Swimmers in training are encouraged to swim for High in Friday night competition.

I am pleased with the response by juniors to our rifle shooting program. Changed legislation has made it much easier for boys to register, obtain a permit and commence competing on Saturdays. Mrs Meaney has brought a great deal of energy and enthusiasm to the administration of rifle shooting in her first year as MIC. The junior program is now thriving thanks to her efforts.

Over the last few years in particular, those involved in sports administration at High, have tried to breakdown the laissez faire training culture and self-deprecating commentary, observable in many teams. We are getting more serious about training prerequisites, personal fitness and logbooks and electronic rolls to record attendance and participation. We believe that more structured, frequent and accountable training regimes will translate into on the field, on the court, or in the water success. A major league baseball manager (Bruce Bochy) whose business it was to observe and prepare elite athletes, observed that when players were faced with testing competition: "If you're not prepared, it's not pressure you feel, it's fear." Conversely, if you have prepared your body to its peak condition, performed as hard as you could and fulfilled your duties as a team member to the best of your ability, you can face the opposition with confidence and take away a pride in your

performance, irrespective of the result of the contest. You don't have to win to be a winner." (Duke Snider). Performing below your ability is frustrating and de-motivating. If you prepare, follow the game plan and back up your team mates, sport will be enjoyable.

At High we have always known that to achieve success in the GPS competition is a tough ask, given the physical, financial and traditional forces opposed to us. Nonetheless, we have taken up the challenge and tried to do difficult things to a high standard..Reputations are earned for doing hard things well. High has a reputation for courage, persistence and fortitude. It would be even more rewarding if we could be seen as consistently competitive by all schools we compete against..

Good luck to all competitors for the rest of the season.

Dr KA Jaggar



Cricket



First Eleven

Back Row: M.Gao, D.Plous, H.Lane.

Second Row: L.Brown (Scorer), R.Ahmed, A.Liu, N.Vyas, N.Pednekar, A.Vithanage

Front Row: K.Perera, A.Brown (Vice Captain), Dr K.Jaggar (Principal), B.Kelly (Captain), Mr B.Davidson (Coach), K.McPherson (Vice Captain), M.Phung.

First XI

The GPS season for the 1st XI started with quite high expectations, with many players returning from last season's team. With the departure of Mr. Hugh Howey as coach, we welcomed Barry Davison, a highly accredited coach, who proved to be a more than able replacement. Whilst the season showed us the severe ups and downs of cricket, I'm sure we can be satisfied with the final result – four victories, including an outright, twenty-nine points, and third place in the GPS.

Our first game was against The Shore School at McKay. After being dismissed for 124, we weren't able to make any inroads into the strong Shore batting display, with them clearly dominating proceedings. Michael Phung (1/23), however, took his first GPS wicket – a positive out of the fairly mediocre display.

We bounced back in round two, with a victory at The Scots College. A convincing batting display saw us reach 289, with Nakul Pednekar (82) and Avindu Vithanage (55) starring with the bat. Solid contributions down the order carried the score to 289. We were able to dismiss Scots for 271 in a nail-biting finish. Scots had needed thirty runs to win with four wickets in hand – and we were able to take those four wickets for a mere eleven runs. Neeraj Vyas took 4/37 (18), a great display of swing bowling.

We were swiftly brought back to earth with a demoralizing defeat at the hands of The Kings School. An average bowling display saw Kings compile 4/347 declared. Our batting effort fell short, but was not without promise – Avindu once again batted with poise and style, as did Kerrod McPherson (41) and Alasdair Brown (44 not out).

Nearing the end of the year, we had the annual Five Highs tournament. Although we fell short of our expectations in this tournament, with only one victory, two losses and a wash-out, there were further good signs. Razeen Ahmed and Kerrod McPherson were selected in the combined All-Australian Five Highs team. Razeen also missed out on the Economy Award by a mere one run. High was also awarded the prestigious Spirit of Cricket Award – for playing the game with outstanding sportsmanship.

Our next GPS game was against St Joseph's College at McKay. St Joseph's put together a solid batting

performance to be 8/243 declared, a competitive total. Razeen Ahmed once again took the bowling honours, with a disciplined 4/47 (20). A poor batting performance saw us fall short again.

These below-par performances saw a team shake-up heading into our round five clash with Riverview. A washed-out first week saw us return on the following Saturday for a declaration game. Riverview managed 4/172 declared, a sporting declaration given the situation and weather. Razeen bowled excellently given the wet conditions, and finished with 3/42 (15). Another nail-biting finish saw us take the points with 8/173. Avindu Vithanage (67) was the star with the bat again.

Looking to continue our winning streak, we made the journey to Newington College. We won the toss and sent Newington in, looking to take advantage of a bowler-friendly wicket. And we certainly did, dismissing Newington for a poultry 81 runs. Kerrod (4/26 off 13) and Razeen (4/19 off 18) were the main contributors with the ball. A fantastic batting performance from Avindu (114 not out) and Brian Kelly (107 not out) saw us reach 1/260, at which point we declared. Avindu and Brian had managed an unbeaten partnership of 218 runs – our highest of the season. Kerrod again fired up in an eight-over stint, taking 3/16. Young leg-spinner Michael Phung took 3/17 (5) in an excellent display of spin bowling. Newington were bowled out for 75, and we had captured valuable outright points.

However, our last round grudge match against Grammar proved to be the closest and most exciting game of the season. Having bowled Grammar out for 89 (Kerrod McPherson 5/15 off 13, Michael Gao 2/7 off 6 Alasdair Brown 2/5 off 2), we set out on our chase. At 3/61, we looked to be cruising, before a middle order collapse saw us fall to 9/88 – one run to tie, one wicket in hand. With our number ten and eleven at the crease, the heavens opened up, and play was called off for the day, leaving us still with one run to tie and one wicket in hand. However, we returned on day two, and Neeraj Vyas managed to squeeze a two out past square leg and first innings points were ours.

All in all, three straight wins capping a great season for the 1st XI. Thanks to Laurie Heil, MIC of Cricket for his organisational expertise throughout the season, coach Barry Davison and all the parents and support staff who helped and supported us week-in week-out.

Awards:

Batting Aggregate: Avindu Vithanage:
430 runs @ 47.78

Bowling Aggregate: Razeen Ahmed:
17 wickets @ 18.12

Players' Player: Kerrod McPherson

Team Award: Alasdair Brown

Brian Kelly, 1st XI Captain

Second Eleven Cricket

The 2008/2009 season was one of unfulfilled potential for the Second XI. Although we endured some tough results, it proved to be a learning curve for what was a young side sure to be prominent in future grade sides. We opened the season at Shore and were made to look ragged as first their batsman and then their bowlers took us apart.

A leadership reshuffle saw us invigorated for our fixture against Scots. Although we found ourselves in trouble on the first morning, a fighting stand between Sivayogarayan (39) and Bhagwat (26) led High to a defendable 105. What followed was the

highpoint of our season as we dismissed Scots for a paltry 34. Subasinghe (5-13) was the main destroyer with the rest of the attack chipping in with wickets. We then consolidated our lead and declared with a safe lead of 176 with only 16 overs left in the day. Another great bowling performance saw us nearly claim in improbable outright victory with Scots teetering at 6-14 at the end of the play.

We were brought crashing back down to earth against Kings, where a substandard batting display cost us the game, with only Harrison (44) showing his class. On the other side of the Christmas break we saw some fresh faces in the team but were unable to stop our batting woes. We were cleaned up by St Joseph's and then lost to Riverview in what was the low point of our season. Some soul searching happened over the next week as the coach asked us to reevaluate our desire to play.

We came out fired up against Newington and posted a defendable 150. Pednekar (35) and Sam (33) provided the backbone in our innings; however there were thoughts that our score was thirty runs short of where we needed to be. We bowled poorly, with strike bowler Ashwin Ramesh failing to strike, and could feel the game slipping away from us with



Second Eleven

Back Row: D.Pierce (Scorer), A.Ramesh, V.Sharma, R.Mitra, S.Haque, H.Lane.

Front Row: S.Lane, S.Kumar, N.Bhagwat (Captain), Mr A.Rao (Coach), S.Subramaniam, H.Subasinghe, K.Sivayogarayan.

Newington requiring twenty runs with five wickets in hand at tea. But a blistering attack by the Lane brothers saw High go to within one wicket of victory with runs still required by Newington. Despite this Newington snuck over the line and we were left to ponder what could have been

Putting the previous result behind us, we went to Grammar looking to send our Year 12's out in style. However we batted poorly and only scored 111 in our first innings. Grammar looked to be strolling to victory before Haque (5-15) bowled a devastating spell, which included a hat trick, to once again leave us within one wicket of victory. However Grammar managed to go past our total and put us back in to bat. Sensing an opportunity for an outright result we set a fast pace in search of runs. The two Nakuls – Bhagwat (76no) and Pednekar (23) – led the way and High made a sporting declaration to try and force a result. While Grammar managed to chase down the total they praised our sportsmanship.

Overall, although the results were disappointing, the season taught us the importance of team spirit and having a 'never say die' attitude. Many losses were extremely close and were the difference between a mediocre season and a good season. It is

now up to this young squad to take that step and convert these losses into close wins in future seasons. Many thanks to Laurie Heil and Varan Peranantharan for running the cricket program and coaching us at times throughout the year. Thanks also to the parents for providing and running the best teas in the GPS. But most of all thanks to Ani Rao – without you this season would never have gotten off the ground and we are better players as a result of your coaching.

Nakul Bhagwat, Captain

Third XI Cricket 2009

The 2008/09 season was a seesawing affair which consisted of both highs and lows. However, overall it was a successful and enjoyable year both on and off the field. The season began with a mixture of year 11 and 12's who all possessed well-rounded cricketing ability and considerable experience in both opens and club cricket.

As the first game of the season approached, Hugo Richards put his hand up to coach the team after suffering a serious injury in First grade. This was much appreciated by the team and reflected the



Third Eleven

Back Row: P.Manamperi, N.Chowdhury, B.Ougra, D.Ma, A.Sharma, A.Hopkins.

Front Row: D.Chau, R.Khan, S.Valliappan (Captain), H.Richards (Coach), W.Lin (Vice Captain), D.Morgan, T.Lim.

sense of allegiance and selflessness that would become a recurring theme throughout the season.

The season started with a respectable first innings defeat to a very strong Shore side. However, the team was buoyed by this performance and quickly realised its potential. This inspired a comprehensive win by an innings against Scots where every player contributed with either bat or ball and included a stellar spell of bowling from Balraj Ougra, with figures of 5/9. The penultimate game of 2008 was one to forget, with a disappointing loss to a Kings team that was easily second grade quality.

Just as the year was coming to an end, both captain and coach issued a challenge to the second XI as several players were shown the door by the second XI selection panel.

An overconfident second XI, who decided to open the batting with their tailenders, was immediately humbled by both tight bowling and immaculate fielding. Skipper Siva Valliappan, Shantiban Shanmugam and Daniel Morgan were the pick of the bowlers, while two breathtaking runouts by Timmy Lim, despite vehement protests from the Kensington Oval playground, enabled the third XI to rip through the second grade batting lineup for a measly 80 in the final over. A quietly confident thirds, opening the batting with David Chau and Shantiban, comfortably saw off the opening bowlers and built upon the existing momentum. Shantiban led the way with an unchallenged 29n.o, which along with handy contributions from David and Ritam Mitra, seized victory with thirteen overs remaining and 8 wickets in hand. This comprehensive win saw many players win selection in the seconds, which was a testament to the whole team and coach.

We entered 2009 in a very confident manner with new coach Ryan Sutton on board and backed this up with our best batting performance of the season, posting 8/229 against St Joseph's, with Avish Sharma showing his class with a brilliant 73n.o. However, our efforts with the ball and in the field didn't match our batting, with St Joseph's passing our score 2 down. The next game against St Ignatius was another to forget with the ball and in the field with St Ignatius passing our target of 123 only 1 wicket down. However, not all was to be lost from this game, with Daniel Morgan at his innovative best to score an unbeaten 41 off 45 balls.

The game against Newington saw hard work and training in the nets reap its rewards as Newington was bowled out for 97 with Siva's 4/16 being the standout performance. After a shaky middle order performance, it was again Avish "with the old Puma" who came to the rescue and sealed a first innings victory. Newington however in the second innings had batted High out of the match and then were able to bowl the side out for a disgraceful 24. It is safe to say this was the most disappointing game of our careers. The final game of the season was against the arch enemies Grammar who were clearly on top early in the innings. However inspirational 4/5 by Anthony Hopkins allowed High to clean up the opposition for 139. Unfortunately High could not maintain a steady run rate and therefore could only salvage a draw with one wicket remaining. This result along with Hugo's 49 could not have summarised the season which passed any better.

This season will stay with all involved for a long time and epitomised what team sport is all about, from just sitting together on the boundary enjoying some brownies to working our behinds off out on the field playing for the good of the team and each other. It was a testament to the team and school itself that every player gave 100% when out on the field and contributed anyway they could.

A thank you must go to a few people who without their support and encouragement, the season wouldn't have been what it was. Firstly to both Hugo Richards and Ryan Sutton for coaching and umpiring, Laurie Heil for organising training and games and Peter Wooden and Mr Aldous for their help on Wednesdays.

Congratulations to the following for their achievements in winning awards this season:

Most runs – Avish Sharma, 147 runs

Most wickets – Siva Valliappan, 12 wickets

Team award – Timmy Lim and William Lin

Hugo Richards & Siva Valliappan

Fourth XI Cricket

The 2008/2009 season was a season of improvement rather than season of wins. At the beginning of the season the Fourth XI had four new players who had never played cricket before, Robert Ma, Anirban Ghose, Christopher Wong and Max Phillis. This should have been a problem for the team, with these players having to make up for being a few

seasons behind in experience, but it was not, as each of the players worked hard and improved very quickly.

The season started off roughly for the Fourth XI, with Shore tearing our batting and bowling apart to win by a huge margin in spite of four quick wickets taken by Angud Chawla. By the middle of the season, the scores started to get closer and closer due to extra training sessions, this resulted in a close game against Scots, where Fourth's lost by ten runs, and against St Joseph's and Kings, with Benjamin Encel scoring 53 and 57 respectively.

The highlight of the season was undoubtedly when the Fourth XI defeated Grammar 4/98 to 10/97 on the second last game of the season. The batting, bowling and fielding during that match was the best it had been for the entire season and allowed us to take seventh place on the unofficial ladder. Grammar won the toss and batted first, steadily losing wickets. They were all out by the twenty-first over. Ben Encel took four wickets with Angud Chawla and Arun Surendran taking two each, and Tony Wang one. The fielding was excellent with Ben Encel making a direct hit run out, Rafat Kamal took two catches as keeper and Angud Chawla and Julian Ubaldi took one catch each. The teams batting powerhouse Ben Encel got called out early with a dubious call for 7 runs, causing concern for the team's

chance of winning. However, after Angud Chawla, fired up by a few comments from a Grammar player scored 26 and was assisted by Anirban Ghose who scored 9, it was easier to reach the total. Julian Ubaldi (20 not out) scored the winning runs assisted by Rafat Kamal (1 not out), to the sound of Coldplay finishing their set at Sound Relief.

The batting award went to Ben Encel while the bowling award went to Angud Chawla. Special thanks to Varan Peranathanan and Laurie Heil for facilitating extra training, Reuben George, and Chris Aylmer and DJ Ghose for umpiring and scoring.

Rafat Kamal, Captain

Fifth Eleven Cricket

This season has been a trying one. First and foremost we would like to congratulate the boys who put in the effort to make themselves available for the matches throughout the season. Having said this, it was due to the participation of these boys that the Fifth XI enjoyed a successful season for the most part. On a number of occasions Sydney High, under manned, managed to secure brilliant victories due to the grit and determination of those on the field. Moreover, there were the outstanding



Fourth Eleven

Back Row: L.Aylmer, A.Ghose, B.Encel, C.Wong, T.Wang.

Front Row: A.Surendram, M.Phillis, A.Chawla, mR.Kamal (Captain), O.Fio, R.Ma, J.Ubaldi.

individual contributions on the field including, David Chau's brilliant forty-six, Tasneem Choudhury's precise and accurate 'line and length' bowling, mixing it up with the occasional 'thunderbolt', earning him comparison to the great 'K-Mac'. There was also Michael Carr's morale boosting efforts with bat and ball, his wild batting similar to that of David Warner, striking fear in the opposition. Rohit Shenoy and Divesh Vashist both contributed with stunning performances in the indoor cricket game against Shore and ensured a close finish to the frenetic paced game. The formidable Anthony Hopkins produced a brilliant piece of swing bowling against St Joseph's claiming four wickets in his three over spell. A big thank-you goes to the fourth grade players who ensured that the Fifth XI could take to the field each week. Last, but certainly not least, there was the great captaincy of Mark Lucchitti, pulling the team together every week and inspiring the team with his outstanding fielding that enabled the Fifth XI to enjoy a memorable season. Finally, we would like to thank Laurie Heil for his unflinching support over the last six seasons and wish him well for the future.

Mark Lucchitti (Captain), Tasneem Choudhury (Co-Captain)

16A Cricket

The 2008/2009 season for the 16As was one full of promise and potential, which soon developed and flourished in the latter half of the season. Although the team selections were quite irregular with players moving up and down to and from 2nd Grade, the team still managed to achieve a cohesion during matches. The season was dotted with brilliant team performances along with classy individual performances including five-wicket hauls and numerous fifties over the eight games we played.

We opened the season with a loss in a trial game against St Joseph's. In this game we tested new combinations for the opening lineup of both batting and bowling. Although the opening partnership only accumulated eight runs, our bowling performance was a standout, with Iftiar Khan bowling 1-13 and Samuel Lane, 2-10.

Our second match was against a very strong Shore team at Moore Park. The new batting opening partnership consisted of Henry Sit, and Samir Kinger, who started off with a 28 run partnership, followed by Kumidika Gunaratne and Oliver Pierce. Both of them displayed strong batting performances for the first highlight of the season



Fifth Eleven

D.Vashist, M.Carr, M.Lucchitti (Captain), T.Choudhury (Vice Captain), R.Shenoy, A.Hopkins

and second game into the season. Kumi produced a very patient 52 while Ollie at the other end produced very solid 42. These two scores in turn bolstered their batting positions in the team for the rest of the season. Although we achieved 165, Shore, mainly a batting team, piled on the runs and compiled a grand 269 by the end of the day. Our bowling performances were few bar Abdullar Sarker taking an extraordinary five wicket haul with his captivating finger spin. His figures at the end were 5-54 off 14 overs.

We progressed onto our third match against Scots with the confidence and determination to put our first win into the books. Our boys put in a great bowling display, ending the Scots batting attack on 150. However, dropped catches and missed chances ensured their number nine batsman to go on and score an opportunistic 38. The next week we arrived in "High" spirits, needing only less than 3 run an over to record a win. Henry Sit got the team off to a great start, posting a quick-fire 42 before getting bowled right before drinks. Right after drinks, Kumidika Gunaratne was immediately run out on the first ball, causing a middle order and late order collapse until

Nathan Kok, at number five steadied the ship with number nine, Leon Li. That is, until the forty-second over when Nathan slashed at a ball wide outside off-stump, frustrated at the umpire for not calling wides on 22. As a result, he was caught behind off the faintest of edges. This left us in a very delicate situation as we had only two more wickets in hand to get 21 runs off ten or so overs. We slowly worked our way back, taking our time when suddenly Leon was controversially run out. The opposition team had barely appealed and nearly everybody thought that Leon was safe, all but the opposition umpire. He gave Leon out which left us with just one wicket and six runs to go. The rest was history when Shanaz Razeen was given LBW. We had put on a great performance but it wasn't enough. After the game, we had a team talk and tallied up the totals, finding that we had in fact scored 156, bypassing Scots' total! Scots had already left the ground by that time and although frustrated at the mistake, we knew that in our hearts that we had "won" and instead looked to notch another win at our next game.

Our third game was another tough match, this time at Kings. Numerous key players were out injured



16A Cricket

Back Row: Mr C Kourtesis (Coach), S.Weeratunge, A.Sarker, O.Pierce, I.Khan, H.Sit.

Front Row: K.Gunaratne, L.Li, S.Kinger, S.Danziger (Captain), T.Theivendran, N.Kok, P.Prabaharan.

including Oliver Pierce and Nathan Kok which affected our batting and bowling line-ups greatly. On the first day, we batted first. Needless to say, our batting was one of the worst of the season, posting a poor 83 runs on the board. We were bowled out at the thirty-fourth over which meant that it was Kings' turn to bat. They chased down our total and posted 138 in just twenty-six overs by the end of the day. Standouts include Iftiar Khan with 3-29 off eight overs. The second day of the match was changed to a 20/20 due to rain and produced some brilliant batting performances, namely a aggressive 78 not out posted by Henry Sit at first drop. Our bowling failed us though and Kings again chased down our total of 130 in fifteen overs.

Our first game of 2009 was against St Joseph's, a very strong all-round team. On the first day, we took a quick wicket, with Kumidika Gunaratne taking one of the opener's wicket for 0 and Shimon Danziger (c), taking the other wicket for 10. However, our run came to an end as their number 3 and 5 batsmen

scored 63 and 102 respectively. At the end of the day, their total amounted to 251. The next week, we were sent in to bat. Their opener was extremely effective and ended up taking 8-19 off nine overs in a ruthless display of bowling. The highest score posted was by Nathan Kok with 23 which reflected on the amount of the total we posted, again a measly 84. Our second innings was more successful with Henry Sit posting 30 and along with other gutsy batting performances from Oliver Pierce, Samir Kinger and Subodh Weeratunge, we managed to prevent an outright loss. A highlight from this match was the firework display put on by Subodh when he made his 52 from 12 fours and 4 singles.

The St. Ignatius match has been labeled 'the one that got away'. It was one we should have won but dropped 12 runs short of. Reasons for this were minor collapses throughout the batting order and lapses in the field, sometimes due to the gloomy and wet weather. Highlights from this match include Sangeeth Subramaniam with a composed 51.



16B Cricket

Back Row: S.Siddiqui, S.Weeratunge, I.Khan, B.Cheng, C.Price.

Front Row: V.Anandaselvakumar, L.Cai, A.Huynh, V.Patel (Captain), S.Razeen, I.Bari, P.Pannila.

Our next game was against Newington, and again some great individual performances shone through. One was our batting performance, led by Kumidika Gunaratne who scored 51. We got off to a great start with Ryan McDonald and Henry Sit providing a strong foundation with a 40 runs partnership before Ryan was comprehensively bowled and Henry was run out due to miscommunication. Prashan also chipped in with a classy 37, hitting 2 sixes along the way to the team total of 197. We were down one player so when our ninth wicket fell, we cunningly "declared", even though we couldn't have batted on anyway. Our plan was to intimidate our opponent by declaring, making them think we had it all covered. And the plan worked! Hashan Subasinghe bagged two wickets and Shimon Danziger, one wicket on the first day. The next week, we had the adrenaline pumping through our veins and that was shown through our intensity in the field. At the close of the first innings, Hashan Subasinghe had taken five wickets with his combination of pace and swing, his figures 5/39 off 12 overs and Shimon Danziger,

with his ever-consistent economy, his figures 3/14 off eleven overs. After they were bowled out for 180, we sent them in to bat once more and again, we produced another great bowling display, this time from Abdullah Sarker taking an impressive six-wicket haul, his figures 6/60 off fourteen overs.

The last game of the season was against our long-term rivals from Grammar. After eleven tedious overs, we finally made a breakthrough and their number 6 batsmen was caught on 46. Soon after, Henry Sit took a notable full-length dive to his right to get rid of the number seven batsman off Krishan Sivayogoryan's bowling. At the end of their first innings, we had Grammar for 143. We then batted and were immediately surprised by the quick succession of wickets that fell. One, two and then three, all out with one run between them. Fortunately, thunder halted play and the match was postponed until next week. On the second day, Kumidika Gunaratne and Oliver Pierce both put on a strong display of batting but were dismissed for 18



16C Cricket

Back Row: R.Go, T.Xu, T.Shahriyar, A.Gong, W.Shao, M.So, L.Ming.

Front Row: J.Zhou, V.Le, R.Li, R.Azwad (Captain), D.Ho, Y.Chowdhury, K.Qian.



15A Cricket

Back Row: D.Guptaa, K.Dutta, S.Dias.

Front Row: T.Connolly, A.Fu, A.Hughes (Captain), C.Oei, C.Pinto.



15B Cricket

Back Row: L.Katupitiya, J.Yao, S.Hoque, A.Ansareen, A.Booth, E.Hoque.

Front Row: A.Saksena, Z.Mohamed, L.Katupitya, V.Chen, L.De La Cour.

and 19 respectively. Our last shot came from Hashan Subasinghe and Shimon Danziger who put on 27 and 32, yet another brilliant show of batting. In the end, we lost by 20 runs and although we did not end on a winning note, we did end with a great season of cricket.

This season really brought out the talent of the 16As squad, especially with Thibagar Thievendran and Leon Li whom improved their batting immensely. Main batting performances were from Henry Sit, Oliver Pierce, Kumidika Gunaratne, Nathan Kok and Samir Kinger. The bowling displays were dominated by Shimon Danziger and Abdullah Sarker, Iftiar Khan, early in the season and Hashan Subasinghe, later in the season. Mentions go to Nathan Kok, who although tore a knee ligament in the Iggies game, continued to bat on courageously, still hitting a few fours in the process. Although not mentioned regularly above, credit goes to Shimon Danziger, the captain, who with his economic bowling and elegant batting was someone that the team could

always rely on. And finally, special thanks go to Kourtsy, who coached us and gave us a cricket season to remember

Henry Sit and Shimon Danziger

15C Cricket

The boys have shown great determination, wonderful commitment and a great passion for the sport throughout the whole season, despite not winning a game. It was towards the end of the season that most players started to play to their potential. We had a nail biting close game against Kings in the final game of the season, and reasonably competitive games against Grammar and Newington College. Based on the players' performance, Suman Prusty took out the bowling award, Abhi Dutta took out the batting award and Shubash Quazi took out the all rounder award for his superb batting and bowling. All in all it was a great season for the boys, despite not winning a



15C Cricket

Back Row: J.Adhika, M.Chan, G.Minithantri.

Front Row: M.Lee, A.Dutta, G.Samarasinghe, S.Quazi, S.Prusty.



14A Cricket

Back Row: C.Mao, T.Joshi, K.Pham, K.Dhamoon, M.Liu, N.Lin.

Front Row: K.Vyas, A.Ramesh, T.Subasinghe (Captain), S.Sufian, A.Nayak.



14B Cricket

Back Row: K.Giang, V.Ho, S.Viswanadham, K.Ying, R.Chen, X.Feng.

Front Row: N.Lazarus, S.Nene, A.Kaluve, V.Bhakri (Captain), D.Vo, K.Huang, A.Nguyen.



14C Cricket

Back Row: J.Zheng, J.Zhu, T.Zhou, A.Chan, J.Yang.

Front Row: D.Chan, M.Li, T.Wu, M.Liang (Captain), J.Hu, S.Kumareswaran, S.Luong.



13A Cricket

Back Row: S.Nagaraj, L.De Fonseka, S.Sethi, J.Zhang, A.Dao, S.Vimalanathan, P.Stephens.

Front Row: P.Lan, M.Hughes, J.Cooper (Vice Captain), N.Anson (Captain), A.Chen, G.Farrugia, A.Wong.

game and I have thoroughly enjoyed captaining the side. Well done boys!

Gamitha Samarasinghe, Captain

14B Cricket

This season was a very promising one for the 14B's. The amount of effort put in by the team has been commendable. In the first half of the season, players such as Thilan Subasinghe, Anirudh Ramesh and Agnish Nayak played strongly with both bat and ball. Due to call ups to the 14A's, new players were brought in to the side. For example, Xu-Dong Feng, Alexander Nguyen and Victor Ho brought good batting and bowling abilities to the side. One highlight came in the top half of the season when we beat Grammar by a healthy margin, High all out for 152 and Grammar all out for 105. Anirudh Ramesh played a very good innings of forty-two, along with our tailender Michael Liu smashing 28 runs. In this match our bowlers backed up our batting performance, with Agnish getting three wickets for eighteen runs off five overs, also Anirudh scored a couple of wickets along with Thilan and

Michael. A memorable highlight for the second half of the season occurred when we faced Redham A's due to Newington not having a good enough team to play us. We bowled well and bowled them out for the first time in the new team to one hundred and seventy five, most of our bowlers getting wickets. At first we thought we had a slim chance of winning, but a good innings of sixty four by Vasu along with a some smashing from Kevin Giang (17) and Anup (13) batted well. In the end we lost by 29 runs. The other matches reflected the improvement by the team. Thanks to Laurie for helping us with the equipment every week and our coaches Rommo Pandit and Michael Cootes for training us week in week out. Well done to Anup and Nevin Lazurus taking the Bowling and Team Player awards respectively.

Vasu Bhakri

13A Cricket

We played six games this half season, having one game rained out. The team improved out of sight both individually and as a team. In the first couple of



13B Cricket

Back Row: W.Du, Y.Man, A.Cao, R.Rawnak.

Front Row: Y.Wong, M.Yu, D.Feng (Captain), E.u, H.Gu.



13C Cricket

B.Thai, D.Li, A.Shi (Captain), G.Kwok, A.Loi

games, we hardly knew each other, and had never played together, therefore, it was hard for us to do well. By the last game, the team looked and felt like a real team, we didn't rely on a couple of people anymore. As the captain of the 13As, I am very pleased with our efforts, especially the last three games where after being bowled out for 19 against Newington, we came back and scored 100 plus in all of the next three matches.

Ned Anson, Captain

13C Cricket

The 13 C's have played well this season. Our team was made up from a few players – not on a high grade – and students who had never played a game their whole life. However, this did not stop us in our endeavour. Our skills through the fantastic work of the coaches, considerably improved with every Thursday training session. Of course there were slips in our game but I must say that we all put in our best efforts to train for the game.

Darren Li, Captain

Allen Hu, Vice Captain

Basketball



First Grade Basketball

Back Row: R.Sternhell (Scorer), S.Higgins, C.Jurlina, D.Jones, J.Meaney, M.Jones,L.Gordon, C.Chiam (Scorer).

Front Row: E.Narr, Mr A.Hayman (Coach), J.Chow (Captain), Dr K.Jaggar (Principal), S.Llewellyn, Mr B.Hayman (Basketball Master), S.Yoon.

First Grade Basketball

With basketball at Sydney High solidly progressing and constantly developing, the 2008-09 season was full of promise for the First Grade side, a team which possessed substantial talent and depth. Following some intense off-season training in the weights room as well as honing individual skills, the players came together for a holiday training camp just prior to playing together for the first time in the pre-season Sydney Spirit Shootout tournament.

The benefits of the hard work throughout the off-season were immediately evident in the tournament with the team overcoming strong



Spencer Llewellyn, GPS, CIS and NSW Representative

contenders Newington and Scots with well fought wins and eventually securing a place in the final. Unfortunately the final, which was played later on in the season, was narrowly lost to Kings by one point in a thriller. Nevertheless there were numerous positives to be taken out of the tournament.

This strong pre-season form was carried into the first two rounds of the GPS season, with comfortable wins over St Joseph's and Shore. However, this was followed by four slim losses to St Ignatius, Scots, Newington and Kings; each of which were very winnable games. In spite of the disappointing form slump, the team hit its straps again to end the term with an emphatic sixty-one point victory over Grammar.

Once again, all players continued to improve over the holiday break. Two weeks before the resumption of GPS competition, the team participated in the Trinity Cup, finishing on top of the regular pool, but unfortunately losing to St. Ignatius by two points the next day. A week later, the side competed in the Raschke Cup and finished second in the pool, losing only to eventual winners Newington.

A complete turn around in the second half of the season revealed the players' true capabilities and potential. A convincing win first up over an aggressive and physical St Joseph's side was then followed up with a nail-biting win against St Ignatius, which was won on the buzzer, and then a close but controlled victory over Shore the next week. However, this streak was ended with the team under performing in a disappointing loss against eventual GPS premiers Newington. Nonetheless the team was able to bounce back and regroup with a closely contested four point victory over Scots, followed by a forty-nine point domination of Grammar, and finally a clinical win over Kings by forty-three points to finish the season in style, providing the five departing Year 12 players with a truly memorable triumph in their final GPS Basketball game.

These impressive performances saw the First Grade side finish the second half of the season with six wins and one loss, one of the best records in the history of Sydney High Basketball. After fourteen rounds of GPS competition, the team finished third on the table behind Newington and St. Ignatius with a total of nine wins and five losses.

Justin Chow, Captain

Second Grade Basketball

With strong performances in the team selections, the 2nd grade side showed great potential in the lead up to the GPS competition. Pre-season training resulted in enormous improvements in both individual skill and fitness, whilst also building enduring bonds within the team.

Underestimating our first opponent, a poor performance resulted in a disappointing 4-point loss to St Josephs. Quick to bounce back, the team rallied behind young point guard Emmett Naar to defeat the strong man-to-man defense of Shore, only to lose to St Ignatius the following week. Determined to overcome the "High Curse" (winning, then losing, then winning, then losing etc), the boys surged through the remaining half of the season winning against Scots, Newington, Kings and Grammar. In addition to veterans Michael Feng and Stephen Dong, special mentions must also go to Jeremy Rajendram for solid scoring on the break, Antony (Manton) Paul for consistent double digit productivity and Emmett Naar for single handedly controlling and dominating many of the games. Strong bench performances were evident in Nelson

Wang dominating the rebounds and Tim Zhong in his excellent decision making.

The summer holidays saw a period of re-trials with newly selected teams, the loss of players and the gaining of new players. The changes saw the team's average height boosted, with the addition of 6'6 monsters Craig Moller and Chris Morrow. With high hopes, the new 2nd grade side entered the Newington Classic tournament, a series of games played over two days. Dominating the tournament the combination of Emmett's sharp passing and Craig's height and shooting, saw the team easily into the finals against Shore. The final game was a blow out with an outstanding exhibition of skill, speed and scoring by Jeremy Rajendram (19 points), leading us to victory and winning the tournament. Despite then losing Emmett to 1st grade, the team powered on with a strong performance in the Raschke Cup tournament, finishing runners up against the athletic team from St Ignatius.

The second half of the season saw a great start with Craig dominating opponents from the point guard position, leading to wins against St Josephs and St Ignatius consecutively. The 3-point loss to Shore



Second Grade Basketball

Back Row: N.Wang, C.Moller, C.Morrow, M.Feng.

Second Row: S.Dang, A.Paul, J.Sutton, D.Peng, Mr B.Hayman (Coach).

Front Row: R.Sternhell (Scorer), T.Zhong, L.Teng, J.Rajendram, C.Chiam (Scorer).

that closely followed only fuelled the team's efforts for the remainder of the season, with the possibility of winning the premiership becoming a real possibility. Joined by the widely skilled Josh Sutton, 2nds saw a great win against Newington and an equally successful match against Grammar. Playing in the under-sized Scots gym was no mean feat, and the domination that took place only showcases the depth, talent and character that the 2nd grade side displays. David Peng shot the lights out top scoring with 17 points (and a band-aid) in less than 10 minutes. Tim Zhong's brilliant passing game saw a number of assists added to the team's tally and to top it all off, the blown out game was finished off in style with a huge buzzer-beater dunk by Chris Morrow, adding another 2 points to the 44 point margin. Finishing off the season with an away game against Kings, all were eager to see the Year 12s off in style. None were disappointed with one of the strongest team performances of the season, concluding with all five Year 12 players, Tim Zhong (1), David Peng (2), Leonard Teng (3), Stephen Dong (4) and Michael Feng (5) playing out their last few minutes representing High. The season ended on a truly High note, with a drenched Coach B. Hayman,

the classic team photo and the beautiful singing of Stand By Me in the change rooms.

Thanks must go to enthusiastic assistant coach George Krastev, the parents for their never ending support and the High supporters. Super coach Ben Hayman deserves a special mention without whom the team would never have succeeded. His relentless dedication, commitment and persistence not only as coach, but also as the MIC of the fastest growing sport is incomparable. 2nd grade finished second on the table, with the best result at least 15 years (11W-3L). Sydney High 2nd Grade 08/09. A team to remember.

Leonard Teng, Captain

Third Grade Basketball

The 2008-2009 season of 3rd grade basketball was one of the most successful as the team exhibited an 11-4 win loss record. This was due to old boy coach Brendan Lee shifting a group of talented players into a functioning team unit. The team consisted of:

Mathew Phung-An indomitable guard with the ability to score at will.



Third Grade Basketball

Back Row: L.Perris, M.Yao, S.Biscevic, M.Wang, M.Li.

Front Row: C.Nguyen, V.Vo, A.Yang (Captain), Y.Liu, M.Phung.



Fourth Grade Basketball

Back Row: D.Lo, M.Yiu, L.Wang, J.Lan, M.Lau, W.Szet.

Front Row: A.Ang, A.Yang, B.Cheung, J.Chen, J.Wong.



Fifth Grade Basketball

Back Row: A.Zhang, J.Suh, D.Tran.

Second Row: B.Ly, A.Koerber (Captain), J.Braverman, H.Tran.

Front Row: N.Lee, J.Nguyen, B.Chen, M.Lee, G.Shargorodsky.



Sixth Grade Basketball

Back Row: I.Lu, J.Hajj, T.Xiao.

Second Row: D.Yan, M.Zhang, H.Vi, L.Li.

Front Row: J.Castillo, H.Huang, H.Zhuang (Captain), S.Fung, G.Wang



Seventh Grade Basketball

Back Row: F.Lee, T.Wilson.

Second Row: A.Li, Z.Ke, J.Li, A.Tran, B.Lu.

Front Row: D.Nam, B.Lau, D.Ho (Captain), D.Wu, L.Tran.

Basketball

Vinh Vo – Could make a smooth jumper anywhere on court.

Chris Nguyen – Able to drive through any crevasse in the defence.

Alan Yang – Knocked down the occasional three and easy fast break points.

Yixin Liu – Had a killer J along with extreme quickness and great court vision.

Lachlan Perris – A formidable defender, locked down players with his superior athletic ability.

Merlin Li – An unstoppable post player, had a devastating array of moves that led to a score everytime.

Abhinayan “Abz” Kugendran – Created his own shot, with defying agility resulting in an unstoppable reverse lay-up.

Hongwei Li – A rare combination of speed and strength, who overwhelmed his opponents with his ability to knock down deadly threes.

Michael Wang – A rebounding powerhouse, that held the defence together.

Shiraz Biscevic – 6ft 8inches, a soaring skyscraper, who repelled any shot that came near him.

Anthony Yang, Captain

Seventh Grade Basketball

Through the commitment and confidence of all the Seventh grade players, Seventh Grade 2009 won fourteen out of fourteen games, with seven out of fourteen games with margins greater than twenty. Despite the loss of our MVP Aolin Li to a fractured wrist resulting from an epic game against SHORE, the team saw vast improvements in individual skills and scoring capabilities throughout the thrilling undefeated season. In particular, Felix Lee, our MIP, developed a strong inside post game and grabbed numerous boards.

This flair, confidence and consistency of the team was evident in our second game against St. Ignatius. Despite the fact that we were down by one in the first half 11-12, our team never looked back from there.



Eighth Grade Basketball

Back Row: M.Chan, B.Lee, A.Kwok.

Second Row: J.Chan, A.Tsialis, M.Kayes, C.Peng.

Front Row: S.Chin, R.Kashyap, M.Mikha, N.Dimitropoulos (Captain), S.Burnham, S.Ali, N.Wong.

Shoron Zhang's constant encouragement, Jacky Li's sneaky steals and the ability of our point guards to push in fast breaks, resulted in an outburst of barraging baskets from the team, with High eventually winning 38-20.

I must thank Mr Baldock for looking after our team for the past two years and I'm sure that Seventh Grade 2009 would remember their exhilarating experience of basketball at High for many years to come.

Desmond Hi, Captain

16A Basketball

The 2008/09 season for the 16As was up and down. Losing key players to 1st and 2nds saw players such as Benson, Anshul, Howard, Kevin and Michael Robertson make the step up and play A's basketball. In Term 4 we recorded four solid wins which included a patchy game over St Joseph's, impressive wins against Scots and Kings and a come from behind victory against a strong Newington outfit. Much of this was due to strong individual

performances from Andrew Ye, Nikhil Autar and Chris Morrow as well as strong team play and a great full court trap implemented by Coach Nives Gilbert.

Term 1 however was a frustrating term for the 16As. Team changes saw David Nguyen and Ali Mokdad join our team. The team struggled badly throughout the first few games where we had a few embarrassing losses. However full credit must go to the boys, who hung together through this tough time and finished the season on a high with a great team win over Kings with the score being 38-31. Highlights of term 1 include Nikhil Autar's incredible solo effort against grammar where he exploded for 15 points with 4/5 three pointers. An agonising loss to Shore by 2 points, and of course the win over kings where we played great zone defence and played well as a team with every playing chipping in with points.

At the end of the season, there was no single MVP with each player having their own highlights of the season, and the most improved player was Benson



16A Basketball

Back Row: A.Chin, A.Jain, D.Nguyen, N.Autar, I.Zaman, H.Tran.
Front Row: K.Lu, B.Ou, M.Wong (Captain), M.Robertson, A.Mokdad



16B Basketball

Back Row: A.Ye, N.Leong, A.Li, D.Chandra, M.Tickner.

Front Row: G.Wong-Romeo, M.Kobras, D.Cheung (Captain), C.Do, P.Castillo.



16C Basketball

Back Row: J.Cai, J.Kim, A.Shen, M.Petrenas, Y.Wong.

Front Row: M.Weï, B.Do, K.Phan (Captain), M.Yoon, D.Wang

Ou who last season played 15Ds and made the big jump to play A grade basketball after training hard during the off season. Benson has shown all younger players that with hard training during the off season you can develop into great players.

I would like to thank Coach Nives Gilbert who was 100% dedicated to the team and helped us all improve as basketball players, The parents of the players, Mr Hayman for his tireless work as the MIC of basketball and last but not least each and every player in the 16As for season of great fun.

The 16As team consisted of: Michael Wong (c), Nikhil Autar (vc), Benson Ou, Kevin Lu, Aaron Chin, Anshul Jain, David Nguyen, Ali Mokdad, Michael Robertson, Isnad Zaman and Howard Tran.

By Michael Wong, Captain

16C Basketball

During the 16 Cs summer season the players have progressed to become more skillful players. The

team had a great run before the end of last year with a string of wins. It was a mixed season with up and down games for the Cs as we tried to recollect the form we had in the pre-season. It was clear that we won the early games due to some of our individual stars but as the season continued the teams we played got better. This meant some of our other players had to step up and improve. Our whole team improved dramatically and it showed through the major improvements in the games of Bryan Do, Yale Wong and Mathew Petrenas. Bryan Do was awarded the most improved player, which he clearly deserved, through having a positive impact on every good game on the court and Yale Wong with the Most Valuable Player, he was clearly the team's most valuable player, not because he scored the most points, but because he rebounded every shot whether it was ours or the other team's. Overall, the season was beneficial to all the players, with us all developing and improving every aspect of our game.

Kevin Phan



16D Basketball

Back Row: V.Zheng, A.Ho, L.Sheldon, J.Zhong, J.Chen, A.Auzou.

Front Row: K.Nguyen, D.Chen, A.Zhang, K.Li (Captain), V.Zheng, F.Pham, K.Ho



16E Basketball

Back Row: J.Tang, S.Amine, B.Leo, M.Liu-Li.

Front Row: A.Lin, K.Tian, D.Nguyen (Captain), T.Luo, L.Lou.

16E Basketball

The 16E's enjoyed an eventful season, closing it with a winning percentage of fifty per cent. The first half of the season saw us win four of the six games, defeating our long standing rival Grammar, and only succumbing losses to Scots and Newington. The latter half of the season saw our success stagnate, emerging from our games with only a total of two wins, neither of which were against Grammar.

Season highlights included a wonderful first six games, being coached briefly for a game by Mr. Hayman, and the final game of the season: the narrowest win we had in the whole season, the outcome coming down to the final two minutes, two made free throws, and an one point win margin. Overall, I still believe that six wins for the season is a great number, especially given the fact that we were up against more competitive teams. Mention should go to former team mate D Chen, having top scored numerous times in our games which has since led to his promotion into the 16Ds. I would also like to acknowledge the three new team mates and occasional top scorers who all joined us mid season: S Amine, K Tian, and A Lin, for their

commendable efforts and their highly valued contribution to the team. Final congratulations are in order for MIP L Lou.

Dominic Nguyen, Captain

15C Basketball

The 15cs had a great season, winning all the games except 2. Our season started with a tough opponent, St Ignatius and ended with a fantastic win against the Kings. The 15Cs consisted of Jun Park, Jim Koukourus, Tony Hang, Angus Ng, Tim Chin, Wade Yang, Mario Ngai, Oscar Lee, Hung-Ting Lin, Sai and Max Song. The 15cs coach was Sammy.

Throughout the season the 15Cs were successful in both offence and defence. The only defect in our play was the communication and the passing. The 15Cs starting five were Tony hang(centre), Hung-ting Lin(shooting Guard), Jim Koukourus (point guard), Jun Park (Power Forward) and Max Song(small forward). In most of our games the points were mostly scored by fantastic teamwork but in a few games such as Kings, players Max Song and Tony Hang stood out.



15A Basketball

Back Row: M.McDonald, M.Callum, J.Garay, C.Stack.

Front Row: B.McGlenchy, S.Reiyder, S.Renzenbrink (Captain), A.Purcal, L.Perris.



15B Basketball

Back Row: E.Li, B.Jayarasa, C.Kwan, J.Yang, A.Moon.

Front Row: D.Liang, S.Do, J.Zhou, N.Ma, W.Yuan.



15C Basketball

Back Row: H-T.Lin, J.Park, A.Ng.

Front Row: S.Sivayogaran, T.Chin, W.Yang, M.Ngai, J.Koukouras.



15D Basketball

Back Row: M.Zhu, W.Ho, J.Ng, M.Chin.

Front Row: B.Laird, D.Wang, L.Fang, M.Yim, N.Ooi.



15E Basketball

Back Row: P.Wu, J.Do, A.Tang, C.Luiker, J.Pham.

Front Row: V.Nguyen, R.Lin, H.Heo (Captain), H.Wei, J.Tsai.

On behalf of the 15Cs, I would like to thank our coach Sammy for teaching and training us throughout the season. Thank you for giving up your time in order to help us get better in basketball. I would also like to thank Mr Stein for helping us in our fitness and the teams endurance. Lastly I would like to congratulate the 15Cs for a good season.

Jun Park, Captain

15E Basketball

2009 was a successful year for the 15E's with Alexander as a great coach. At the beginning of the season, most of us couldn't even make a lay-up. This soon changed as regular training with Alex and practice showed noticeable improvements.

The team worked well together, winning all but two of the fourteen games, including one win by over fifty points. There was also one game against St. Ignatius where we were losing by one point with fifteen seconds remaining. High pulled out the required basket to win the game 39-38!

The MIP was Carl Luiker and the MVP was Harry Heo. Thanks for the co-operation team, thanks to Alex and hopefully next year will bring similar success.

Harry Heo

The 15F Basketball Team

This year's season for the 15Fs has been an uphill battle. At the beginning of the season there was some confusion since the team wasn't the same as last year in term 4. With the arrival of the new students, there had to be some cuts to the team to let the new basketballers fit into a team. We were sad to see some of our players leave, but at the same time, we were excited to play with new teammates. We won every game except one. We won most of these games comfortably as well, which was great to see as in 2007 we could barely even score a basket. A final mention is that, on behalf of the team, I would like to thank Mr. McQuillan for being a brilliant coach to us, and another thanks to the parents who had the time to come and support the team.

Brandon Chau, Captain



15F Basketball

Back Row: A.Soo, N.Li, F.Li.

Second Row: W.Randles, W.Zhou, J.Lo, R.Useelananthan.

Front Row: K.Zhang, B.Lee, B.Chau (Captain), L.Nguyen, K.Visvaa.



14A Basketball

Back Row: O.Kirk, K.Kuang, A.Wu, M.Stojanovik, K.Ho.

Fromnt Row: B.Angell, L.Tong, E.Kelly (Captain), A.Punekar, I.Metcalf.

14A Basketball

The 08/09 season for the fourteen A's basketball team was an improvement all round. In term four, we lost six matches, four of which we lost by more than twenty points but in term one, we lost five matches, and only two were lost by more than twenty points.

The highlight of the season would have to be the win against Scots in term one. After losing to them in term four by twenty three points, we beat them in term one by nineteen points. That game Oliver Kirk hit two three pointers out of three the whole game.

The team would like to thank Mian Wang for coaching us every Tuesday afternoon in term four, every Wednesday morning in term one, every Thursday throughout the whole season and for supporting us every Saturday at our games. We would also like to thank Alex Hayman for running the Junior Firsts sessions every Thursday afternoon.

Those sessions really gave us an edge as he taught us new skills.

Marco Stojanovik was awarded the most valuable player and Eamon Kelly won the most improved player.

Captain Eamon Kelly

14E Basketball

This season was memorable in a special way. Our games weren't great as we lost many, however we tried our hardest and played at our best. When we won our 2 games against Newington, we were overjoyed with happiness. Most importantly of all, we had fun while playing.

Our team greatly improved from the start of the season. At first, we couldn't pass, shoot, lay-up OR control the ball well. Now, we have the correct posture, footwork, control and teamwork to take the ball up the court with the help of our coaches. In the second half of the season, we have had some



14B Basketball

Back Row: V.Puvanendran, J.Cao, D.Duong, B.Leung.

Front Row: J.Lam, B.He, S.Wang (Captain), K.Chen, J.Zhong.



14C Basketball

Back Row: M.Lam, J.Chotiyononta, N.Autar, J.Chung.

Front Row: H.Zhang, A.Wei, M.Chao (Captain), D.Chen, H.Lam.

players from the F team get promoted into our team, and sadly, some of the D team demoted to our team. After some final decisions, we quickly learnt how to play as a team again.

Many of us were new to basketball, or had little experience, but we have trained and played hard. Our guards, Ben, Lawrence, Jackie, Kenny, Tim, Jonathan, Alex and Wilton were all great to play with. Daniel, George and Terrence were great centers and forwards, always stealing the ball and quickly passing it away or receiving a pass for an easy point. Our main guards or ball-handlers were Lawrence, Jackie, Kenny and Jonathan, always taking the rebound and going to the ball to give the

inbounder options or swiftly taking the ball up the court and passing to a forward for some easy points. Highly commemorated members of the team are, Terrence, for being the overall top scorer, Alex, Jonathan and Kenny for excellent dribbling and passing, Jackie and Lawrence for being the best shooters, George for superb steals, and to Ben for being our totally random, lost and hilarious miracle worker. I have had wonderful time playing with my team and my team's coaches this season. On behalf of the 14E's, I would like to thank Wei for coaching our team and Ms Ward for filling in for Wei when he is "on a holiday".

Yemeng Bob Jin, Captain



14D Basketball

Back Row: L.Zhu, R.Dewan, D.Cordas, S.Yung.

Front Row: J.Dao, W.Ma, J.Ma (Captain), W.Choi, A.Zhou.



14E Basketball

Back Row: T.Pilien, G.Chen, D.Kim, T-K.Ow, A.Xu, L.Zhang.

Front Row: K.Liu, J.Jian, B.Jin (Captain), B.Mo, J.Lee.



14F Basketball

Back Row: E.Yu, A.Nguyen, K.Li, W.Wu, Y.Wu.

Front Row: D.We, Y.Luo, A.Kerr, E.Ho, A.Chau.



13A Basketball

Back Row: W.Gong, W.Lu, S.Bell, G.Zheng, J.Kwon.

Front Row: E.Lee, S.Wang, K.Lu, B.Chen, C.Shi.



13B Basketball

Back Row: L.Lee, J.Zhao, H.Feng, P.Gao.

Front Row: A.He, A.Kuang, J.Freiberg (Captain), D.Duong, A.Chen.



13C Basketball

Back Row: A.Liu, J.Ng.

Front Row: B.Kong, M.Fung, A.Bao (Captain), A.Karawasan, W.Liu.



13D Basketball

Back Row: C.Zeng, L.Chen, H-J.Liu, W.Zhueng, A.Qi.

Front Row: V.Yang, B.Huynh, J.Ma (Captain), S.Pham, N.Wang-Ly.



13E Basketball

Back Row: W.Zhou, T.Du, J.Le, C.Ketkeo, J.Hui.

Front Row: A.Bui, K.Lau, G.Baker (Captain), R.Chin, D.Shao.



Tennis



First Grade Tennis

Back Row: Dr K.Jaggar (Principal), K.Nguyen, V.Lim, G.Panas.

Front Row: S.Hoang, H.Neo (Captain), F.Zhang.

Second Grade Tennis

This year High Second Grade was looking to be competitive in the GPS competition. In the pre-season we competed against a spirited Shore team who have always been a strong tennis school. High came away with a singles and doubles win but unluckily lost two closely fought singles rubbers. Our season started off on a very good note. Round 4 of our trials saw us face Scots College. With wins to our No.1 and No.3 doubles and singles wins to Enoch, Edward and I, High capped off a memorable victory over Scots 8-4. The following week, High put on a solid performance against Newington in which we had a doubles win and three singles win however we lost 8-4.

The start of 2009 brought with it new players. Phillip Nguyen and Tim Yu were to prove very handy additions to the team at no.5 and 6. The 1st week saw us face a much improved St. Josephs team and

we were comfortably beaten 12-0. Round 3 saw us face Shore, but this time we were an improved team. Tim and Phillip won their doubles in a super tie-breaker and with a win to Tim and I, we saw an improvement from the trials with the final score at 8.5-3.5. A highlight of the season was a superb performance by our No.1 doubles with Derek and Enoch playing great tennis in a closely fought match which they were unlucky to lose. The highlight of the season came two weeks later when we went to Scots. We were confident of success but saw a different team to the pre-season. With wins to our No.2 and 3 doubles and singles wins to Derek, Phillip, Tim and I we defeated Scots College 9-3. Although we didn't come 1st, we had a successful season and the results are very promising. Hopefully High will be even more competitive next year in both 1st and 2nd grade.

Mohit Tugnait, Captain



Second Grade Tennis

E.Hui, D.Trang, M.Tugnait (Captain), P.Nguyen, T.Yu, M.Sin.



Third to Sixth Grade Tennis

Back Row: D.McCrea-Steele, J.Chan, J.Poon, P.Hsiao, P.Simos, R.Lee, X.Quah.

Front Row: A.Wu, K.Lin, J.Lee, F.Li (Captain), C.Katsikaros (Captain), S.Wan, M.Dinh.



16 Years Tennis

Back Row: J.Saito-Patch, S.Salagame, A.Chan.

Second Row: J.Mok, C.Wu, M.Rozsa, K.Cheng, M.Deng, D.Dao.

Front Row: K.Shao, S.Chen, G.Garayalde (Vice Captain), G.Panas (Captain), J.Tiu, M.Reid, V.George.



15 Years Tennis

Back Row: N.Han, T.Zhang, E.Naoumov, A.Brokman, K.Leung.

Front Row: V.Shah, T.Nguyen, R.Lee, C.Wan, M.Birch, P.Krakovsky, C.Ye.



14 Years Tennis

Back Row: D.Bu, Y.Shi, R.Ko, G.Dzero, S.Ngo, G.Lee, R.Xi, C.York.

Front Row: M.Li, C.Liu, D.Mah, E.Zhang, I.Li, M.Deng, J.Peng.

14 Years Tennis

This season started in Term IV of 2008 and continued to the end of Term I this year. We mainly played at the Moore Park tennis courts and on some occasions at school or at Parklands. We only had one away match and that was against St Ignatius College but unfortunately the matches were rained out.

In terms of results, we improved considerably. One example would be our B1, Tim Chung won the match against Grammar 6-4. Also when playing against Shore, our A2, Alan Stoneham, won his match 6-4 meanwhile I scored 5-6 in a very closely fought match. Our ground strokes have also developed and our serves have also been much

better when compared to the beginning of last year when most people had difficulty serving. This improvement would not have been possible without Mr. Ryan because he organizes coaching for the 14Bs, Cs and Ds. Thanks must also go to Mr. Ayre and the new tennis coordinator Peter Pereira who is an Old Boy for organizing combined tennis training for the 14As and 15As.

I am sure that every member of the team tried their hardest this season and I thank them for their commitment to tennis. I hope we can improve this season's results through to next season.

Edward Zhang, Captain and A1



13 Years Tennis

Back Row: G.Qin, S.Noronha, J.Garrett, J.Lui, B.Truong, A.Ali, D.Zhang.

Second Row: K.Zhang, D.Evans, A.Hassan, W.Wu, J.Tang, M.Hauser, C.Chan, J.Leo.

Front Row: J.Kuang, A.Cheung, B.Hancox, A.Tayeh, J.Gill Lee, R.Arulmurugan, L.Chen.

Rowing



First Eight

Cox: P.Desmond, Stroke: N.Ridges, 7: J.Whiting, 6: M.Ling, 5: S.Merom, 4: J.Wachsmann, 3: D.Edgton, 2: C.Chen, Bow: V.Boulavine.

MIC Rowing Annual Report

This is a difficult report to write. For 25 years SBHS Rowing has been part of my life. I will miss it. I feel lucky and honoured to have been part of it.

25 years without a win is difficult to stomach for some but for me it has been about the journey that I have undertaken with generations of students. Every moment has been worthwhile, the overnight camps, the January holiday camps, the runs at Coogee in the holidays, the trips to Melbourne, the National championships in WA, Queensland, Victoria, SA & NSW, the CHS in Taree, Grafton, Murwillumbah, the Head of the River days, the many family regattas and social occasions, coaching my sons, coaching my friends sons and the many friends I have made along the way.

I have been with people at the best times of their lives and been with them when they have tested themselves, both parents & boys. We have all been better for the experience.

Thank you

Con Barris

Captain of Boats Rowing Assembly Address

Good morning parents, teachers, students, Dom Grim and fellow rowers and welcome to the 2009 rowing assembly. Before I begin I'd like to make a quick mention to Mr. Barris our wonderful MIC of rowing, after 25 devoted years to Sydney Boys High rowing Mr. Barris is stepping down as rowing MIC, From the bottom of my heart, I think I speak for many, I truly thank you for the opportunity you have given to each and every rower, past and present, the opportunity to learn and grow into men, into true Sydney High Boys, and the instilled sense of high spirit in our hearts.

Scotts college, St. Ignatius, Shore, Grammar, St Josephs, Kings, Newington, Sydney Boys High. 8 crews fall dead silent, body trembling, heart pounding, stomach in knots, the air electrifying, that's what its like to be at the start line of the biggest school boy rowing event in the world, over 12,000 school-boys lining the banks, another 2000 supporters and that's the GPS Head of the River. Reckon you can handle it? Rowing is more then just a sport, its more then just a physical challenge, its more then just a mental challenge, rowing is THE

challenge. It's the challenge that 56 seniors boys of Sydney Boys High have stood up and taken, and will be rowing in the name of the school come this Head Of The River with the proud tradition and spirit of high.

The 2008-2009 rowing season has been full of ups and fortunately not many downs. We've seen improvements made in leaps and bounds, friendship formed that'll last a lifetime and an ever-growing sense of home at the sheds engraved into us once again. For the senior boys out there the rowing sheds are well and truly a second home, and a good one at that. I mean sleeping there twice a week with all your mates, living right on the water, no parents to tell us off at night, the newly installed air conditioning, dinner cooked and prepared all for us, which I might add, thank you to the rowing committee, the standard of the food this year is at an all time high. For dinner we get a choice of curries, steaks, chicken kebabs marinated in different ways, a potato salad, a creamy pasta salad, its heaven at the sheds. The newly installed air conditioning make falling asleep on the hot summer nights sooo much easier, the internet and computer facilities despite allowing us to now complete our homework on time, has also taken away one of my favourite excuses for class. But yes thank you to the Old boys union, the Foundation committee, the High Club and the perseverance of Mr. Barris in allowing us such luxuries at our sheds this year.

To all the non rowers here today, the quite ones and the loud, the conservative and the flamboyant, I put this challenge out to you. I challenge you to get a group of your friends together and join rowing for a season and see for yourself how good and fun it actually is. Take up the challenge and take up the great opportunity high is giving us all.

To all the self proclaimed sportsman of the school, I challenge you to put your body and your mind on the line and just TRY and make a top crew. I challenge you to gain the trust of your crew and to have complete and utter trust in the rest of your crew, to be able to go all out and know that each and every other person in the boat is doing the same for you. Just try.

To all the future generation of rowers here today I urge you to never forget the huge privilege it is to row. Rowing isn't a one man sport, there is soo much behind the scenes action that goes on at the rowing sheds by soo many different people to keep it up

and running, and on top of that rowing is a sport that is usually associated to the status of elitists around the world so never forget the opportunity that High as a public school is giving us all. Rowing under the name of Sydney Boys High means rowing with the rich tradition and history of high engrained over time, the tradition of the GPS, rowing at the GPS Head Of The River the biggest schoolboy-rowing event in the world and you get to be part of it. Just never take it for granted and always preserve to do your best and remember that the fun times and memories are always there to be shared.

This seasons 2008-2009 rowers have been under the pump of a demanding rowing program. Starting way back in term 3 last year, rowers were already down at the sheds on Sunday mornings getting a few k's under the belt for the big season to come and a head start for the upcoming selections. The race for this years spots in the top two VIII's was under hot competition through out the season, seeing first selections at the start of term 4 so close that the seats of the VIII were raced for each and every week for the rest of the term. Beginning with just the Sunday mornings, rowing soon built into every Monday morning gym, arvo run, Wednesday morning gym, arvo row, Thursday arvo row, camp, sleep over, Friday morning row, Saturday morning row. Under the pump, grooming us, perfecting us for the racing season to come. Rowing an average of 68kms a week and up to 3 hours a session created a hot contention for the seats of the top two VIII's this year, giving us some extra depth and strength in our IV's and 2nd VIII. 2nd n 3rd IV have made it into the finals this season several times and 1st IV have made it into the finals consistently for the majority of the seasons races, the extra depth of this years shed also saw 2nd VIII beating joeys last regatta in a nail biting finish to claim their rightly earned spot in the 2nd VIII finals. The consistent effort put in by the coaches and the boys both on and off the water has really paid off, seeing the likes of Jason Nyugen deadlifting 200kgs, and Shahar Merom able to toil with 100kg weights in bench presses, bench pull, squat, deadlift and powerclean.

I urge each and every one of you boys here today in this very great hall to come out and support your friends and school as it competes in the biggest schoolboy rowing event in the world. Come along and be part of a 12,000 schoolboy crowd, experience the buzz in the air, experience the true high spirit as all the High Old Boys return and start

our chants, come be part of the Sydney High crowd, be part of the wall of noise as the crews enter the last 500, be there to push and spur on us rowers as we kick our bodies into overdrive, watch as we fly by Newington in the last 500 to clench victory rowing a time of 6:10.

Rowers get phsyched up, this is the biggest stage of them all and your going to put some sorry little private boy kid in his place, your gonna show, your gonna prove that high has more then they're petty money, and your going to dominate.

2nd VIII reads as follows

at cox Gareth Deacon, bowman Dale Chen,2 man Michael Ambrose,3 man Neil Street,4 man Sam Binns,5 man Jack Musgrove,6 man Jason Nyugen,7 man Alik Belykopytov and leading them across the line at stroke Andrew Blomberg.

And that is this years Head Of The River's 2nd VIII of 2009.

1st VIII this year is coached by none other then Ollie Wilson himself. Ollie also a High Old Boy is a very laid back nice guy who I don't think has ever hated anyone. Ollie is a health freak who ran all the way from the sheds to school faster then nelson could take a bus. Don't ask why but lately I've noticed a trend, Ollie seems to have an obsession for smash proof gadgets. His sunnies lens' can be hit with a hammer and still wont break, his camera can be dropped from a height of 5m, and his new mobile phone has a reinforced layer of rubber around it allowing it to be dropped from a height of 2m, don't ask its just an observation. Ollie this year has really pulled the best out of each and every one of us in the VIII this year. Ollie's style of coaching in which he teaches the rowers the science behind the stroke has really opened a new channel of thought and way of rowing, I know personally Ollie has made improvements in my stroke where I wouldn't have ever thought. Ollie's young spirit and age has truly made him one of the boys, one of the fellas who really understands what the rowers go through.

This years hotly contested seats in the VIII came down to a seat race. 12 back to back 1k races swapping 2 people at a time and through hours of hair pulling mathematics and problem solving with 8 unknowns the 1st VIII of 2009 was selected as follows:

As Cox Patrick Desmond: This year is Pat's 3rd year

as cox of the 1st VIII and his experience plays a vital link in this years VIII. Pat being the extremely hard trainer he is and all the hard work it is for him to cox, fainted during one of our sessions "ollie I can't feel my legs"

In Bow seat Vlad Boulevine: Vlad along with his out of proportion long legs was one of this seasons dark horses. Never being a man to boast, Vlad's exceptional sculling ability flew under the radar for the majority of term 4, and to the surprise of many vlad was clocking some top times, fast enough to see himself qualify for 1st VIII as one of the guaranteed top 4 scullers. He'd always fly out of the blocks and once infront he was one pain in the ass to chase down, Vlad's exceptional skills and lighting starts add an extra bit of oomph to this years VIII.

In 2 seat Clive Chen: Our Vice captain and Dux of Maths. Clive has perfected the ever so hard balance of study and games. Vlad and Clive rowing in the bow pair of the VIII together always seem to be having a little chat just soft enough so nobody else can understand what they're saying. The 2 of them are very clean technical rowers who share chemistry between them that seems to work extremely well in the boat with both of them being able to row both sides with fierce finesse.

In 3 seat Dominic Edgeton: One of the Big boys of the VIII, Dom like to think of himself as a greek god. He loves to parade around the sheds with his zootie draped off his shoulder like a toga. Dom is actually surprisingly taller then he looks, Dom stands at a mean height of 6'1 and pulls a monster erg of 6:38, the second biggest in the VIII this year. His strength and power in the boat saw Dom secure his seat in the 3 seat of the VIII.

In 4 seat Jack Wachsmann: Jack along with his extra height is a great boat mover. Jack is another rower who has jumped leaps and bounds since his yr 10 VIII's season as he has learnt and adapted to become one of the more technical rowers in this years VIII. Jack also very closely missed out on top sculler in a hotly contested scull off during December selections. Jacks sometimes serious and always selfless attitude makes him a great pleasure to have around the sheds this year.

In 5 seat Shahar Merom: Shahar is THE big guy of the school. He is able to lift over a 100kgs in bench press, bench pull, squat, deadlift and power clean. Shahar is a returner from last years 1st VIII and has always

been and always will be a very powerful, technical rower. Shahar's ability of non stop talk sees shahar earn himself a spot as one of the crews comedian's but also the spot as one of the worst people to sleep next to.

In 7 seat James Whiting: Whiting is the king getting everyone to quieten down to listen to one of his famous stories that lead to nothing.. absolute nothing... Along with his exceptional story telling abilities Whiting also lacks a little hand eye co-ordination and the ability to jump, yet time and time again whiting has proved himself to be a truly unique sportsman and freak, his just one of those guys that you know in the last 500 when the legs start to burn he will be putting in everything his got, his a fierce, great competitor and a vital link in this years VIII.

At stroke Nelson Ridges: Nels has a unique ability of none other I have ever met to vomit on command. At the start line of any race all he needs is a little chant from the stern 4 and up it comes, clear as water. Also a returner from last years VIII Nelson's inspirational words at training and seriousness brings a much-needed focus to our training sessions seeing him play an integral part of this year's VIII in leading us across the line.

Along with myself at 6 seat I give to you 1st VIII of 2009.

Matt Ling Captain of Boats

First Eight

To have been a part of the First VIII 2009 was to have been a part of something special. Although we will not go down as one of the great crews to have worn the hooped zootie this VIII will go down as one that showed persistence and guts to stick it out till the end. As our photo is mounted on the wall at the Outterside Centre we will be hung amongst the best rowers the school has ever produced and the commonalities between those rowers and the boys from this crew will forever be pointed out. For, once you have represented the school in the First VIII you become entrenched in a legacy that will surpass your own time, your children's time, and even their children's time. That place on the wall will not only be yours to enjoy, but will become a symbol for future boys to desire. To have a place on the wall signifies the personal battles one has gone through to realise his part of an ultimate, unified team. The

significance of this crew's place in history will not be underscored by race times, or erg scores; no, this crew will be remembered for simply being a part of Sydney High's proud history. As junior rowers pause, for even a split-second, to even glance slightly at that wall, then this First VIII has played its most important role in ensuring Sydney High rowing is moving forward. Each week as our crew prepared for each training session, enduring gruelling hours of water, erg and weight sessions, it was always the case of comparing each First VIII to ourselves. Aspiring to achieve something more than those who had gone before us were key factors in our mental preparations as a crew. As our picture is mounted on the wall we will be remembered as the First VIII 2009, and with that, whatever connotations the onlooker wishes to place upon us.

Coach: Ollie Wilson – a tough master on the water, striving for our personal development in all aspects of life. The perfect contrast of coach and friend.

Bow: Vlad Boulavine – the baby of the crew. Being the youngest member of the crew had no impairment on his abilities as he made outstanding developments throughout the year. Consistently in the top four for sculling he will definitely make his presence felt next year.

2 seat: Clive Chen – one of the fittest members of the crew who is always ready to lift the crew with 500m to go. Vocal at just the right times his calls were accompanied by a great lift from the bow.

3 seat: Dom Edgton – one of our big boys. With a huge erg he is essential in the first 500m and a great asset to the crew. He will be a great leader in next year's crew.

4 seat: Jack Wachsmann – the quiet achiever of the crew. Developed out of sight and came into contention for the best sculler, narrowly missing out. His long strokes are vital through the pace setting middle of the race.

5 seat: Shahar Merom – Returned to the VIII with a vengeance and came out as the Best Sculler. With a phenomenal workload on and off the water his strength was applauded and I'm sure he would return again if he could.

6 seat: Matt Ling – a great rhythm setter in the 6 seat, balancing stroke length with great power. Motivational till the end of the race he was unlucky to also miss out on Best Sculler.

7 seat: James Whiting – one of the more eccentric members of the sheds but always enthusiastic about his rowing. Returning next year he will once again boast an impressive workload and no doubt be rewarded with a supreme spot in the VIII.

Stroke : Nelson Ridges

Cox : Pat Desmond – so ends one of the great legacies of Sydney High rowing. After his third year in the VIII Pat's extensive knowledge of rowing was a foundation for our training and race preparations.

Thanks must go to the outgoing master of rowing Mr. Con Barris for his tireless commitment to our development, not just as rowers but as men.

It has been an honour and a privilege to have rowed in the brown and blue.

Nelson Ridges

Second Eight

The 2008-9 season for the Sydney Boys High Second Eight was a successful one, in terms of both enjoyment and success. Friendships were formed that will last a lifetime and we will be able to look back on our crew as one which broke the unfortunate "Sydney High mentality." This is defined by an 'accepting' of our place in the GPS with a complacency that ensures last-place results.

Throughout the season we trained with the intensity required for success, not just working to secure a spot in the crew, but with a focus on making the boat move faster. But more than this, we turned up on race days with the real aim of getting on the water and beating GPS crews. Like with all crews, some races were better than others but as proof to our performance and competitive nature we were able to make the most of opportunities when they were presented, for example our placing 1st against Joeys in a GPS race. It is a great aspect of rowing at Sydney High (and other high-competitive sports such as rugby) to sum up another team before the event, recognise their greater size, and then be given an opportunity to throw all you have at them. And when you come off on top it's all the better. This is how it was against Joeys, a fierce race in which the bow balls were alternating their lead. We managed to prevail through our signature tactic '10-4-10', a horribly long push of 20 strokes, compared to the 5 or 10 other crews try, in the middle of the race with the intention of

demoralizing your opposition as much as possible and gaining as much ground during that crucial 3rd quarter of a race. With 500m metres left we had the lead, but they were gaining. However, such is the advantage of rowing when in front that we were able to manage a win by about a full boat-length. This was a credit to the boy's determined competitive nature and refusal to accept a loss. One of the greatest memories of my sporting career was the row back to the sheds with the 1st eight on the side of the river chanting the school song in honour of our feat.

I suppose this would now be a good time to introduce our coach, James Gerofi (more commonly known as grofe). Gerofi was an integral part of the crew and the perfect coach for an eager crew. Gerofi managed to balance his dedication to the crew with his own competitive club rowing and through his experience as a rower threw away the lighter technique sessions and instead grilled us with 1600m pieces. For those who have not rowed it is hard to imagine the intensity this requires. A 1600m

piece involves 5 and a half minutes of sprinting, in which it only takes about 30 seconds to get exhausted. After that you're working on sheer determination and discipline (which is hard at 5.30 in the morning), struggling for air as you work your legs like never before, while still focusing on keeping your poise and form in the stroke. This was made harder still watching other crews leave the pontoon for a technique session. Another famous session was the feared mystery pieces. This session was a real test of crew-man-ship and a challenge to find out more about yourself and what you are able to withstand. The way it works is that the coach will call the start of a piece without the crew having any idea of how long it will last. They can vary from 10 seconds up to 5 minutes. Considering 30 seconds is enough to get your lungs working it is an astronomical task to motivate yourself to work at 100% without any idea how long you could be doing so. Nevertheless we prevailed as a crew through Geroffi's intense training with flying colours and were able to challenge even our 1st eight at training.



Second Eight

Cox: G.Deacon, Stroke: A.Blomberg, 7: A.Belokopytov, 6: J.Nguyen, 5: J.Musgrove, 4: S.Binns, 3: N.Street, 2: M.Ambrose, Bow: D.Chen.

Our racing results throughout the season were bittersweet. Good came hand in hand with bad, with us often getting the lead early then dying or staging a last-minute comeback which was ultimately too late. Our race tactics were for a flying start to get the lead advantage and then work through the middle of the race as fast as possible relying on our toughness to get us through the last part. However being an eager crew our early races were characterised by the 'fly and die' race tactic High has been renowned for, in which crews give their all at the start then die away during the middle unable to keep up with the relentless pace of other crews. Sorting out our problems and re-evaluating our mentality we were able to extend our lead further and further into the race. With 3 weeks left to the Head of the River, hopes were high as we were starting to gain cohesion as a crew. Unfortunately we had 2 disappointing races at SIRC, failing to catch our rhythm and moving lethargically. This was another High curse which had to be defeated, that of falling apart at big events. We were left despondent, but not hopeless, and worked hard those last 2-3 weeks, perfecting the stroke, setting up the boat and re-introducing our rhythm. We had some monumental sessions in which our blades barely touched the water, yet still our last 2 races were disappointing. However we were in it to win it and in the end were willing to make the sacrifices needed to compete.

On the Friday before Head of the River, the school rowing assembly was another memorable moment (rowing seems to be full of these), firing ourselves up and getting that winning mentality ingrained into our brains. The war cry in the courtyard was ethereal as you stare into the eyes of those around you, those people who have shared the 5am wake-up call with you for the past 6 months, who worked through those pieces, who gave their all in training and would do almost anything for each other because from rowing comes great respect. Knowing the person in front and behind you is going through the exact same mental battle to keep the legs pushing down and the intensity up (and winning) demands respect and as such it is the ultimate team sport – no single member can lift a crew to victory, but one person can bring the boat down. On that note it is opportune to recreate our penultimate race – the Head of the River. Having played other sports through my life I believe I can firmly say that no other schoolboy event is anything like it. It is the single toughest 'thing' most of those who row the

HOR will ever do. A whole season is put on the line, and you get the opportunity to either soar or come crashing down. The 2nd Eight accepted this challenge with vigour and despite the disappointing races preceding we flew off the start, immediately catching our rhythm and gaining a full boat length on Grammar. The rest of the race was simply about keeping that lead. We loaded the pressure up but Grammar started gaining. Slowly but surely they were working their way towards us. With the whole boat already working at our top level we needed an extraordinary lift to get us through. We did our 1st 10-4-10 but with little effect and by the 1750m mark we had lost the lead. Gareth Deacon, our coxan, however made the judgement to do another 10-4-10 and with this the whole crew lifted as we threw our last legs at them. In the end it came down to a bow ball. 0.37 seconds was the difference over a 6 minute race. The simple fact that we crossed the line immediately after a stroke (travelling at top speed) compared to Grammar having their oars in the water (slowest part) meant we had beaten another GPS school. However at this point we were not sure we had beaten them. Having lost all energy we started the slow crawl back to the pontoon, full of anxiety, hope and doubt amongst other emotions. Upon landing at the pontoon Gerofi leapt towards us claiming that instead of 7th or 8th we'd come 6th! Full of confusion we were told of how in the final 250m a Scots rower had caught a crab thus slowing the whole boat down to a loss of 2.5 seconds. Ecstatically we made our way to the overwhelming crowd who were incredibly kind to us, carrying on as if we'd come first. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the crowd for this amazing gesture and for supporting us on that day. This success was a victory in many ways. We were the fastest 2nd eight in an age, and were able to overcome so many curses that other crews have felt obliged to bow down to. It was also significant in being Mr Barris's last year as MIC of rowing. Mr Barris has worked hard at the sheds for 25 years as MIC, an enormous achievement, taking precious time away from his family and friends. The crew was full of admiration for Mr Barris and as such it was appropriate that we could thank him for not only our development as rowers, but as young men, through this race. I would also like to thank Ollie Wilson, head coach of High rowing who was central to the development of our stroke and made sure we didn't miss out on the finer points of rowing with Gerofi's 'rough as guts' attitude. He took us on from



First Four

Stroke: A.Lazarou, 3: T.Peters, 2: M.Kite, Bow: J.Eriksson, Cox: H.Schilling.

even before the season had started, and ensured our adjustment to opens rowing was a smooth one.

All in all, this season will be remembered by the crew as a success, and hopefully one that many years in the future, we will be able to look back on with fond memories.

Andrew Blomberg, Stroke 2nd VIII

First Four

An Old Boy of the school once told me that rowing is a recipe. It takes four people and one coxswain to move the boat. Add in large doses of commitment, hard work and experience and you have a crew. Finally add a pinch of aggression and you have a crew that can compete on the same level as the rest of the GPS schools. The First IV this year had all of these necessary components and the results speak for themselves. With consistent victories against Newington and Grammar throughout the season and some close races with the other schools saw the First IV become the crew that was talked about in the lead-up to Head of the River.

The selections for all the IV's this year were fierce and tightly fought, none more so than First IV. With

two rounds of seat racing, one in Term Four and the other during January camp, and ergs every week everyone was constantly fighting to both keep their spot and take another spot from the people above. Eventually the crews were settled, with the final combination the fastest around. The crew reads as follows;

Stroke – Alex Lazarou. An import into the school, Alex set the rate from the start and maintained it for the whole race.

3-Seat – Tom Peters. Tom is the tallest rower in the sheds and one of the fittest. The extra few inches his reach provided really added up and the fitness meant he never slacked off.

2-Seat – Max Kite. Max has the biggest erg in the sheds and was one of the heaviest rowers at Head of the River. His size and strength is more than enough intimidation for the other crews and is always needed for a push.

Bow – Myself.

Cox – Hayden Schilling. This is Hayden's third year as the First IV coxswain. The experience he brings to the boat is as invaluable as his counting skills.

The racing season kicked off with the State Championships out at Penrith. We didn't row our best race and walked away in last with a time of 7:41. The next week, at Iron Cove, there was a marked improvement and two seconds were shaved off our two kilometre time. Our next trip out to Penrith was for the Sydney Rowing Club regatta, where the crew improved once again. Four seconds were taken off our time and we succeeded in achieving our first goal by beating Newington. Week four saw our first regatta in Hen and Chicken Bay, the SHS regatta. The lane draw for our heat was a dream result. Scots, Newington and Redlands on one side, Grammar on the other. With a final time of 5:49 over the kilometre and a half we defeated both Newington and Grammar comfortably and earned a place in the finals. An unfortunate equipment malfunction saw any dreams of a placing finish off. The next week was a return to Hen and Chicken and the weather was horrible. Once again we progressed through to the finals by beating Grammar, also beating Scots and Newington from the other heat on time. A return to Penrith followed next week, for the Kings/PLC regatta. A dream race head-to-head for the entire length of the course against Scots saw us lose by two seconds in the last 250 metres. This sort of race, crew alongside crew, mano-e-mano is a personal favourite of mine. The second last event of the season is the traditional Gold Cup regatta held on the Lane Cove River. The only course with a curve, it's a nightmare for coxswain and coach alike. An attempt to sike-out Iggies saw them steer well clear of us from the start, forcing the other crews closer to the dreaded pylon that marks the bend. The same pylon that demolished the Iggies First VIII in 2005.

Head of the River. The last one for two of the crew. The lead-up is always the same. The assembly and the swell of pride you have when you stand up in front of your school. The war cry outside and the passion of the moment. The bus trips out to Penrith and back. The queasiness of the row to the start line. The anticipation of the last words. And then you hear them "Attention... Row." What follows is a bit less than seven and a half minutes of pain. Remembering all you have learnt about technique, never stopping for anything. The hunger for beating other crews. The exhaustion of crossing the finish line. A personal best on the day but it still wasn't enough to beat crews that we had beaten all season. Whilst the result on the day was disappointing, not one member of the crew has any regrets and we

were all proud of what we had achieved in the 2009 season. Flooding prevented the annual CHS rowing trip up to Grafton.

I'd like to say a final thank you to our coaches Yaegan Doran, Dom Grimm, Tim Glass and Tom Mittelheuser. If it wasn't for your efforts the season wouldn't have been what it was. A big thank you to all the supporters who were there on the big day. Lastly to Mr Barris, words can't express how much you have done for High rowing over your twenty five year reign as MIC and how much every rower that has come through the ranks under your leadership thanks you for all you have done.

James Eriksson

Second Four

In a shady corner of the Outterside Centre, a brown dilapidated locker leans tiredly against the wall, seemingly held together only by rust and the veritable amount of graffiti left on it by a generation of High Boys. Written on one side of its gaping door, surrounded by lists of ancient crews are the words, "Rowing is not a sport - it's a lifestyle." And without a doubt, no matter what may lay ahead, the Sydney High School 2nd IV of 2008/09 cannot deny the truth in those words.

From the emptiness on the start line, to the ethereal darkness of early morning rows to the constant agony of an ergo meter, a rower's life is one fraught with the mental and physical pain of an unending obsession for perfection that is held together only by great camaraderie, the glimmer of success and great personal resolve. And indeed despite a slow and wary start when the final Second IV crew was announced after a gruelling and close selections process, its odd-ball composition proved no barrier to the sense of team unity and the determination it possessed.

It is with this in mind then that I would like to illustrate the season for the Second IV. Though some small measure of racing accomplishment may have been achieved with steady victories over Newington and Grammar, I personally consider that the greatest achievement and most lasting accomplishment for the Second IV and High Rowing 09 in general to not be in its racing but in the great sense of pride and spirit that it inspired in the school community in the Head of the River 09.

The incredible emotion witnessed at the Head of the



Second Four

Stroke: B.Lee, 3: J.Lee, 2: A.Low, Bow: W.Santucci, Cox: P.Tran.

River 09 speaks volumes. Despite being faced by interminable odds an exceptionally loud and enthusiastic High crowd took the time to voluntarily line the shores of SIRC to cheer the High crews on and furthermore to greet the returning Eights.

The Second IV 2008/9 is as follows

Bow – Walter Santucci. In his first season of racing, Walter has provided a power boost to the boat which combined with his bloodthirsty and “juggernaut” attitude in races has pushed us to greater speeds. Walter’s good humour has made this season an enjoyable one.

Two – Alan Low. Being a rower since year 7, Alan has developed his technique, strength and aerobic fitness to the finer levels. His mind is always set on the task at hand when in a rowing boat.

Three – James Lee. An experienced rower since Year 7, James has excellent technique and fitness. He has provided precious experience and ideas to the crew and has been an invaluable and dependable crew member throughout the season.

Stroke – Benjamin Li. A tireless and diligent worker,

Ben is a potent combination of power, fitness and resolve that keeps the crew on track no matter what the circumstances. His ethical nature adds a moral aspect to the crew that counters the spontaneous immaturity generated by 4 teenage guys and a coxswain.

Cox – Peter Tran. In his first year of rowing, Peter has provided a constant source of enthusiasm and optimism as well as humour. Constantly formulating new race plans, Peter’s personality and coxing has grown substantially from the boy who once swerved to “avoid hitting the ducks” to a coxswain who can now steer very well.

I would like to thank the excellent insights and dedication of our coaches Yaegan Doran and Tim Glass who served not only as our rowing coaches but also as great social role models, Mr Con Barris without whom this whole experience would not have been possible and finally Mr Daish for continually repairing our “indestructible boat”. It has been an honour and a pleasure to row in the Second IV 2008/9.

Ben Li and Alan Low

Third Four

The rowing season for the SBHS 3rd IV was one of hard work and dedication. Having trained rigorously for more than a term and not letting this commitment waver during the long summer holidays the 3rd IV was eager to demonstrate its ability on the water. However the morning of the first regatta hosted by Joeys saw a reshuffling of crew take place and the seat of Coxswain had to be filled by Peter Tran who was replacing Eric Wong as Cox. Unheeded by this the 3rd IV was eager to prove their worth. In hindsight perhaps we were almost a little too eager. The first race of the season saw us leap out of the blocks, proving that our racing start was something to be reckoned with as we strolled out to the front of the pack. Our fast first split was ultimately our demise when we realised that the essence of a rowing race lay in finding the delicate balance between speed and endurance. Realising the need for an improvement in fitness the members of the 3rd IV redoubled their efforts; growing as a team and having many memorable training sessions together. We endured through these tough sessions knowing that each of our teammates were not doing it for themselves but for those around them and the school that they so passionately loved. The season continued with us working to catch an incredibly fast field. Our Coach;

Tom Mittelheuser's dedicated training helped us to reach the high standard that the field had set and his dedication is reflected through our results. By the end of the season at the Gold Cup Regatta our closest competitor Scots was only a mere 12 seconds ahead of us over the 1500m race proving that our hard work and training had paid off and we had caught the field that we had so devotedly chased throughout the season. The week preceding head of the River saw the entry of a Newington crew into the 3rd IV division. They offered us our greatest possibility at success in Head of the River and it became a given that in the last few weeks preceding the race every stroke had to be better than the last.

Head of the River once again proved that the 3rd IV's racing start was something which was a true force to be reckoned with, it saw us pushed to the very front of the pack by the 250 metre mark however our previous races had taught us to settle into a rhythm and stick to it even if it meant dropping back. We recorded a PB time and finished a close 4 seconds behind Newington. Although disappointed at leaving the push too late and finishing behind Newington each person in the crew rowed their best and the PB is evidence of that. Sincere thanks must go to Mr Barris and all those in the rowing community who made this amazing season possible.

Puneet Baweja, stroke of 3rd IV



Third Four

Stroke: P.Baweja, 3: N.Nguyen, 2: A.Bahn, Bow: A.Saunders, Cox: E.Wong.



Fourth Four

Stroke: H.Lu, 3: S.Kim, 2: T.Li, Bow: P.Radhakrishnan, Cox: B.Jian.

Fourth Four

We started off, at the beginning of the season, not knowing what to expect together as a team. Our rowing squad, the 4th IV, consisted of Brian Jian (Coxswain), Pravin Rhadakrishnan (Bow Man), Tian Yu-Li in (2nd Seat), myself in (3rd Seat) and Hong Lu (Stroke). We were assigned Tom Mittleheuser who brought us together, to row as a single squad which in time, would power down the racecourse every weekend at Hen and Chicken Bay.

Being in group B, we made our way to the rowing bus parked in front of the gym every 2nd Thursday after school to camp for the night at Abbotsford Rowing Centre, also known as the 'High Sheds', we would get dressed into our Zooties and go for a session. Although these sessions were not something that our crew looked forward to, the thing that drew us most and kept us going, were the amazing dinners that the parents prepared for us every camp and the N64, which everyone fought over for a turn. Every camp we were woken at around 5:30 in the morning to start our morning sessions which consisted of Warm-ups, Pieces, Pieces, and even more Pieces. Being the lower squad of the IV's in the shed, 4th IV were kept in constant pressure of keeping up with the other

crews, this drove us forward as motivation during every morning session as we told ourselves "keep up with the others" and cheered each other on. This slowly readied our crew as the day of the 'Head of the River' drew near.

On the day of the Head of the River, our crew set our minds straight on rowing as hard as we could for the training that we received with High rowing. We rolled over the finish line at 2000m, exhausted gasping for air feeling nauseous. We congratulated the other crews as they congratulated us for the effort we made. I congratulated my own crew members for the solid effort that they managed to put in, even when I knew they were dead tired. The final position wasn't a position that we would've liked, but it was the headstone of a new experience, an experience which would remain in our minds. We conquered the course of the Head of the River together as a team, a squad that once could not even row in time. All the members of the 4th IV would like to thank Tom Mittleheuser, Mr Barris, Mr Daish, Mr Creer and the Parents who were kind enough to give the time to prepare meals for the 60 odd rowers during the camps for giving us an opportunity to row and enjoy our time at the High Shed.

Sean Kim, 3rd Seat of 4th IV 2009

1st Year 10 Eight

The season for the Year 10 Eights was enjoyable for all of those involved in it. All of the rowers improved out of sight and had a great time in their first year of senior rowing. Camps with the Senior Eights and Fours taught us about time management and other important life skills.

The pre-season training really challenged us physically and mentally and after selections we were sorted into two crews. In the Head of the Parramatta both crews competed strongly and in the 1sts race there was only 30 seconds between 2nd and 8th over the 4km course.

After a challenging January camp we competed in the first GPS regatta over 1.6km. The 1sts managed to stay with two crews and were significantly gaining on St Ignatius when a seat broke in the boat and we had to finish the race with seven. The next week we went down to Melbourne and competed successfully against Melbourne high. Both crews won a few races and this gave us a confidence boost heading back to Sydney. However in the next race we were outclassed by bigger and more disciplined crews which gave us the determination to improve over the next few weeks. We managed to make consistent improvements to our rowing in the next few weeks which translated into a faster boat and better times. By the last 1.6km race of the season both crews had improved significantly on their times.

After two more weeks of intense training and racing Head of the River was upon us. After a particularly nervous night at the sheds, we headed out to Penrith for the last race of the season. The emotions at the regatta truly were amazing and shocked us in our first Head of the River. After crew meetings we got on the water and rowed up to the start line soaking up the passion of the historic race. At the start line both crews flew out of the blocks and controlled the rate well in the first 500 meters. However after that the other crews began dominating and started opening out the margins. We rowed our own race and both crews finished with personal best times.

I would like to thank everyone who helped us out this year both on the water and off the water. I want to thank James Mackay and Andrew Pham for coaching the 2nd Year 10 Eight. I'd also like to thank David Vien and Mr Con Barris for coaching the 1st Year 10 Eight. I also want to mention Neville Morgan and Tim Wilson for their assistance on the Melbourne trip. Thanks to all the parents for supporting the rowers throughout the season. Without all of you this season simply would be impossible. Thanks to all of the rowers as well for committing themselves to a tough season and I'm sure most of us will come back next season to row in the Senior Eights and Fours.

Tim Gollan, Stroke



First Year 10 Eight

Bow: R.Caetano, 2: A.Liao, 3: E.Ovadia, 4: J.Petrie, 5: L.Lu, 6: W.Stefanidis, 7: K.Fang, Stroke: T.Gollan, Cox: A.Chung.



Second Year 10 Eight

*Bow: D.Nguyen, 2: D.Kim, 3: I.Bonch-Osmolovskiy, 4: D.Gorey, 5: A.Gaffney, 6: I.Eveleigh, 7: S.Martin,
Stroke: R.Zhai, Cox: F.Lin.*

2nd Year 10 Eight

The 2nd Yr 10 VII season for 2009 was overall a great learning experience for every member. It started off with sorting out eights according to the previous year's quads to teach us the technique of rowing eights which is very different, rowing with one massive oar as opposed to the smaller oars of a quad. During the first few weeks of training coaches David Vien, Mr Barris [in charge of the 1st Yr 10] and Andrew Pham and James Mackay [in charge of the 2nd yr 10] drilled into our heads the proper technique and motivation towards Head of the River day.

Our first big race and challenge was the Head of the Parramatta and it was one which we failed miserably, even with Andrew rowing as the stroke our technique just wasn't developed enough to pull us through to even a decent time. It was a dismal start for the 2nd yr 10.

When Melbourne High came down to visit we were excited by the prospect of competing against a school similar to ours. The bitter overcast weather and high winds of those few days affected some of

our session but produced one memorable occasion when the Melbourne High crew manage to sink one of our eights, a feat which the coaches convinced us was impossible. As they left we were looking forward to our trip to Melbourne.

The January camp was one of the toughest camp we had ever been through, with constant rowing sessions along with 5 km and 6 km runs that beat our legs to death right in the middle of the 40 degree heatwave. Only the bottles of water kept us alive as we fought the heat upriver. Overall though, the camps were the one of the most enjoyable parts of the season, the 5am rows a beautiful feeling and being served delicious food every meal by the parents who volunteered, gave up their time and committed endless hours to us.

Our regattas on the whole were quite disappointing, mostly pulling in at last place as we raced each week we developed new racing experience which implemented crew changes and strategies to help better our performances. 2nd yr 10 VIII saw the loss of two rowers, both valuable to rowing due to small number and the changing of Eric Ovadia in the 7th seat with Sean Martin in the

last few weeks leading up to HOTR.

The trip to Melbourne was a highly anticipated trip even though it was a long 0 trip in a small bus we enjoyed and passed the time in different ways. Our time in Melbourne was extremely enjoyable with 2nd yr 10 scraping a comfortable win in most of the races.

The Kings Regatta was on the Head f the River Course in Penrith and was our first trail race on the 2km course. We again failed miserably with a [last placing and tensions became high within the crew and coaches as they questioned our commitment and determination. From there on til Head of the River day the crew's mentality and attitude changed drastically. The coaches saw major improvements to our technique and things weren't as grim anymore with the last sessions being the most memorable and rewarding.

Head of the River Day arrived with beautiful weather and relatively flat water. Every single member was nervous. As we rowed onto the start line our adrenaline pumping and our minds echoed within all the motivational talks that our coaches had given us and those 7 minutes of pure pain screaming through our legs ere the most the crew ever given as a whole and with the crowds screaming in the 500 metres the crew gave every last breath they could to enjoy this momentous occasion.

Raymond Zhai

Year 10 Rowing Melbourne Trip

On the 10th of February the annual year 10 Melbourne trip commenced with a 4 hour drive to Gundagai. We stayed in the Gundagai motel overnight and experimented with the strength of 2 phonebooks. We awoke in the morning and prepared ourselves for the rest of the journey to Melbourne. Stops every few hours kept our sanity intact until we reached our destination a mere 8 hours since hitting the road. We arrived at the 'Power House' at around 2:30 and were greeted by the familiar faces of our billets.

Within an hour we had rigged our boats and we were ready for our first training row on the Yarra. Mr Barris rode alongside the river and became the tour guide of the trip, pointing out major landmarks as we rowed past them. Solid improvements were

made during this row especially on gaining control of our boat. The session ended and we headed home with our billets.

After a full night sleep we arrived at the boatsheds bright and early and once again trained in our eights, making solid improvements along the way. At around 9:30 we got off the water and began to prepare for the first competitive part of the trip. The quad consisted of Anthony Chung, Ryan Caetano, William Stefanidis, myself and Jonah Petrie. We paddled up to the start, aware that the last time we had rowed in quads was when we raced Melbourne last year. We were able to put that behind us and we won both races convincingly. However the best part of that session was not the races but the control we were able to apply to our boat whilst rowing back to the Power House.

After lunch we headed out once again onto the Yarra this time to race the gruelling 4km course to the Princess Bridge. Another dominant performance from the 1st eight ensured another victory and a strong performance from the 2nd eight gave a clean sweep to Sydney. After another successful day of rowing on the Yarra we headed home with our billets to rest up for the next days races.

On Friday morning we started at 8:30 which came as a pleasant surprise to the exhausted High boys. We arrived with a determination to show Melbourne what we were made of in the shorted 8-man races. The two kilometre race began with the High 2nd 8 and the Melbourne 8 being given a 20 second start on the High 1st Year ten. This handicap proved too much for the 1sts losing by a little over a length. However in the 1km races both of the High 8s dominated and were able to come off with substantial wins. That afternoon we de-rigged and headed off into the city to explore with our billets. We met up back at Melbourne High for a BBQ and then went home with our billets finishing a very enjoyable evening. The next morning we farewelled our billet, loaded into the bus and began the trip back to Sydney.

I would like to thank everyone involved in this trip, namely Mr Barris and Mr Morgan for driving the bus, Mr Wilson for driving the trailer and Andrew Pham, James Mackay and David Vien for coaching us during the rows. Without each of you this trip would not be possible.

Tim Gollan

First Year 9 Quad

The 2008-09 rowing season has been a unique learning experience for the new Year Nine first quad. The boys held their ground against the other, more experienced crews and have produced fast and ever-improving results throughout the season.

The high first quad has showed outstanding pride and determination against larger, stronger crews. Although we did not win any regattas, we came painfully close on numerous occasions to beating St Joseph's College and Grammar and we easily outpaced the non-GPS schools such as St Augustine. However, we can proudly say that we beat the Scotts College, who did not field a year nine first quad.

Year Nine rowing was benefited this season by the size and strength of many new recruits. Through rigorous testing such as seat racing and the dreaded 3 minute erg, the first quad was finalised as follows: In bow, the mound of muscle we call Julian. Julian provided masses of power, able to move the boat efficiently by himself and always gave the rest of us

something to laugh at after a long session; In the 2nd seat, kah-yang, the lightweight. Kai brought his experience and expertise to the boat, and always had a way with words, being able to motivate the crew or batter us down to his level with just a few words; In the 3rd seat was the powerhouse, Ben. One of our new rowers, Ben blew us all away with his massive erg scores and was a huge asset to the team; At the front of the boat was the smallest boy in the quad; the coxswain. Cassidy, the little ball of fury, proved his "mad skillz" through expert boat landings and efficient cornering. With myself in the stroke seat, this was the year nine first quad.

I commend the boys on the effort and time they have put into rowing this season, and on behalf of all of us, I give a huge thanks to our coach, Mr. Gainford as well as all the other coaches, helpers (bus drivers) and parents who have made this season possible. We are all looking forward to rowing in eights next season and with strong crews and intense off-season training, we can expect good results.

Max Jones, Stroke



First Year 9 Quad Scull

Cox: C.Zhang, Bow: J.Edgton, 2: K-Y.Wong, 3: B.Wilcox, Stroke: M.Jones

2nd Year 9 Quad

The year 9 2nd quad had an improved season. In year 8 we only had two quads but this year we managed four. We were able to choose the fitter rowers. We were also a relatively light weight crew. The rowers kept switching between first and second quads before the GPS races, mainly because 2nd quad somehow always seemed to win. At one stage the 2nd quad had managed to win 15 times in a row against 1st quad, which in itself is a fabulous achievement.

We started the racing season with high hopes, two new rowers in our midst and a new coach, Mr Gainford. We just finalised the crews for the racing season, consisting of Tejas Iyer in bow, Tian Ling as 2nd man, Shaun Pak in 3rd man, myself Tim Montanaro in stroke and Raymond Hua as coxswain.

Tejas was one of the new rowers who showed he could row with a good technique while adding power. Tian, also new, is built for the sport and has been described as more legs than man. Shaun is the rower who is always putting in 100%. You can tell because at the end of the race he is exhausted and can hardly hold his oars. He also has provided us with hours of entertainment. Raymond, our

coxswain, is the little man with a big voice. His favourite phrases in the race were 'break the barrier and the barrier is teasing you'.

We were beating first quad in all the races, and had all the hype. Yet our season started disappointingly, as we caught a crab in the start and came last. The next week we had more evenly matched competition, racing Joeys and Cranbrook. It was neck and neck but we again finished last. We were the underdogs. The next race we raced better and placed 3rd before Joey's. The following race was once again disappointing as Tejas fell off his seat three times in rough water.

There were three races left including the gold cup. The race was going to be tight, racing against Grammar, Joeys, Redlands and Cranbrook anyone could win. It was a practice for the B final. Grammar came first with the other four quads in close contention for 2nd. It turned out we came last, again. We had to redeem ourselves. This next race was going to be hard to place, with Shore, Newington and Redlands competing. On the day Newington did not show and we managed to snatch 2nd place from Redlands.

Gold Cup is always the most exciting race of the



Second Year Nine Quad Scull

Bow: T.Iyer, 2: T.Ling, 3: S.Pak, Stroke: T.Montanaro, Cox: R.Hua.



Third Year Nine Quad Scull

Bow: A.Fong, 2: D.Andrews, 3: H.Yu, Stroke: T.Chen, Cox: S.Fletcher.



Fourth Year Nine Quad Scull

Bow: D.Fong, 2: M.Schwarz, 3: S.Marques, Stroke: S.Saleh, Cox: J.Vuong.

season. Imagine on Friday morning we find that unlike the rest of year 9, we are in the A final, racing against Shore, Newington, Kings and Riverview. It turns out we were on 10 points and both Grammar and Cranbrook on 9 points. The race was fought hard but as it turned out we finished last. It was A final though, so we finished the season ranked 5th. Not a bad effort!

Tim Montanaro

First Year 8 Quad

Rowing was a great opportunity to be introduced to the spirit you can find in our school, and was a great experience for the rowers in our year, most of whom had never rowed before.

The teams got moved around quite a bit during the training sessions while the coaches and teachers tried to figure out which people should be used to construct the year 8 first quad for 2009. After a lot of swapping around, the team ended up as: Cox – Daniel Tam, Bow – Domonic Tran, 2 - Edwin Li, 3 - Jonathon Lendrum, Stroke – Daniel Keogh.

We entered the season confidently, with the first

quad winning the shed race, a handi-capped race between all the boats from our school, and all the members of our first quad were selected to compete in CHS rowing, being let down when it was called off due to flooding.

Chris Andrews and Danno O' Keefe were brilliant coaches, changing us from completely un-co year 7s to not-so-un-co rowers. They pumped us up before the races, yelled at us during training, and killed us during our 3-minute-ergs with their calls of "RACING RACING!!!" that we still have night-mares about.

The support and advice we received from older rowers was great, and the coaches' efforts were at times larger than our own.

Overall, this has been a great introduction for us to High Rowing spirit.

Daniel Keogh, Stroke

Second Year 8 Quad

The 2008/09 season was without a doubt a tough one for the 2nd Quad. It was our first AAGPS Rowing season and competition was tough, but it was a



First Year Eight Quad Scull

Bow: D.Tran, 2: E.Li, 3: J.Clements-Lendrum, Stroke: D.Keogh, Cox: D.Tam.



Second Year Eight Quad Scull

Bow: A.Singhe, 2: A.Bui, 3: A.Feng, Stroke: J.Pallandi, Cox: T.Collier..



Third Year Eight Quad Scull

Bow: R.Tran, 2: M.Chang, 3: J-H.Cho, Stroke: C.Xu, Cox: Y.Hu.

great experience for the boys. At our first four regattas, we were the most unexperienced in the race which resulted in losses; however the gruelling training didn't stop. By the Scots College Regatta our times had improved by 30 seconds and we were closing in on the Newington and Grammar crews. At the Riverview Gold Cup, we were psyched up and ready to give it our all in the race. Although we came off second best to Grammar, we posted a great time.

The following is the Year 8 2nd Quad Gold Cup Crew:

Bow: Andrew Bui is a valued member of the Year 8 2nd Quad. He has got a great charisma and never tires in a race. He is a strong consistent rower who gives his all for the crew.

3: Allan Feng is the biggest guy in Year 8 rowing. He's the powerhouse in the boat and a tireless worker within the crew.

2: Jaan Pallandi is a strong rower with the highest erg time in the quad. His improvements from Year 7 are amazing. He is a valuable rower especially because of his almost perfect technique, surging the boat forward with ease.

Stroke: Amarbir Singh

Cox: Tim Collier is a great coxswain who gets us pumped during the race and knows exactly how to push us to our limits. He is an inspiring figure to hear as we drive through the pain.

After listening to their screams of "Row Harder!" and "RACING!!!" I'd still like to thank Daniel O'Keefe and Chris Andrews for their hard work. I'd also like Mr Coan, Year 8 rowing Co-ordinator, Mr Gainford, Junior Rowing Master and Mr Barris, Rowing Master.

It's been a great season and we're all looking forward to Year 9 Rowing.

Amarbir Singh

Fourth Year 8 Quad

The 08/09 season was a whole new experience for us in competitive racing. At the first regatta, we were easily out rowed by the other schools. However, this did not stop us from improving at training sessions on and off the water. This training showed with an excellent race at our home regatta



Fourth Year Eight Quad Scull

Bow: J.Ni, 2: J.Yip, 3: S.Guo, Stroke: K.Pan, Cox: J.Lam.



Fifth Year Eight Quad Scull

Bow: K.Yu, 2: P.Chen, 3: J.Wang, Stroke: B.Deng, Cox: J.Lu.

where we tailed Joeys marginally for the majority of the race. Another great effort by the crew at the Gold Cup Regatta saw us swipe 35 seconds off 3rd quad's time: a magnificent effort.

I'd like to thank Andrew and Adam, our two coaches, on behalf of my crew for coaching us over the season. Their efforts helped us achieve well in rowing.

The Year 8 4th Quad for 2009 consists of: Bow: Edward Luu; 2 Seat: Jerry Yip; 3 Seat: Jeffrey Ni; Stroke: Kin Pan and Coxswain: Jason Lam. Stephen Guo alternated with Jeffrey at three seat throughout the season.

Kin Pan, Stroke



Swimming



Swimming Team

Back Row: E.Mehmedbasic, C.Wong, B.Trang, J.Suh, b.Wilcox, S.Pak, P.Zhou.

Second Row: D.Mah, A.Shi, M.Chien, D.Luo, K.Gunaratne, H.Feng, Y.Man, B.Angell.

Front Row: H.Schilling, R.Zhai, A.Belokopytov, Mr P.Loizou (MIC), J.Musgrove, J.Wachsmann, D.Smith-Light.

Swimming

The GPS swimming team of 2009 had a fresh start with a new MIC. Mr Loizou's energetic approach towards training and great effort have made this season quite enjoyable. This year we have seen the emerging strength and dominance of the younger members in our squad. This has been backed up by the impressive results in both the GPS and CHS carnivals. A strong team of thirty added extra depth that allowed us to field a relay team in each age group – a feat not achieved in recent years. The younger members of our squad clocked impressive times, particularly the Under Fifteens with Max Chien (who broke the GPS 200m Breaststroke record by eight seconds), Ennes Mehmedbasic, Patrick Zhou and Ben Wilcox (who all regularly placed on the podium). Our recent dominance in Breaststroke has been the key to all of our second legs in our age relay teams, as we consistently beat a number of schools. In the senior ranks we were far from outclassed. Jack Musgrove's superior starts and aggressive racing vastly reduced out times, Shahar Merom and Jack Wachsmann's commitment were crucial in our relays, Jeffery Jiang's Breaststroke saw him selected into the GPS team and Joshua Suh's all round racing added to our strength in the seventeens and opens. In the Eastern Suburbs carnival we were the dominant school, with 3 age champions and the overall point score. Also, twenty boys were selected into the Sydney East carnival. The future looks bright for Sydney High swimming. Thanks go out to all the parents, supporters and our MIC Mr Loizou.

Alexander Belokopytov, Swimming Captain

Swimming Report

The school swimming carnival was held on Tuesday 3rd February at Des Renford Pool Maroubra. The perfect weather and the allocation of award scheme points for all participants saw record entries in all events with many going over 10 heats.

Age Champions 2009

12 Years: Henry Feng
13 Years: Dominic Mah and Yu Peng Man (eq.)
14 Years: Patrick Zhou
15 Years: Max Chien
16 Years: Dale Chen
17 Years: Jack Musgrove
Opens: Alik Belokopytov

Congratulations to all participants and age champions.

Despite our best efforts, the war cry and school song from the rowers to encourage our opens relay team, we were unable to overcome a strong Newington relay team who went on to win the GPS invitational relay event. Congratulations to them.

The GPS preliminary carnivals were held at Newington and Riverview. We were able to field a full strength swim team led by our captain Alik Belokopytov and vice captain Jack Musgrove. Our most notable performer was Max Chien who took out the 50m Breaststroke and 50m Backstroke. Other strong performances were displayed by Jack Musgrove and Enes Mehmedbasic. The most improved performers were 12 year old Andrew Tayeh and our opens work horses Alik Belokopytov Jack Wachsmann and Shahar Merom.

GPS Swimming Season





13 Years CHS 4x50m Swimming Relay ~ Silver Medallists

D.Mah, Y.Man, S.Cominos, E.Lee.

The GPS team performed well throughout the season. It was pleasing to see that we now have 80% of the team participating in swim squat training. Over 40% of swimmers managed to beat their personal best time which is a marvellous achievement. Some of our swimmers were selected in the GPS and participated in the CIS carnival. Well done all and to the following boys who made the GPS team:

- Jeffery Jiang – 200m breaststroke
- Max Chien – fastest time in 50m, 100m and 200m breaststroke
- Enes Mehmedbasic – 50m breaststroke

Zone Swimming Carnival At the East Zone swimming carnival SBHS was crowned zone champions. Our team was outstanding on the day with over 60% of participants gaining a place in the zone team that participated at the regional carnival.

The most outstanding results were achieved by:

- 13s: 200m free relay team who broke a record set back in 1992 by another SBHS relay team. They swam the distance at 2:09.37, 11 seconds faster than the previous record. Well done Dominic Mah, Yu Peng Man, Eugene Lee and Steve Comminos.
- Patrick Zhou is the 14 years zone champion
- Max Chien is the 15 years zone champion
- Jack Musgrove is the 17+ years zone Champion

Regional Swimming Carnival

At the regional carnival a strong contingent of SBHS students represented the zone. The carnival was highly competitive. The following boys progressed and attended the CHS State carnival.

- Max Chien in Breaststroke events and
- 13 years old 200m free style relay team

P Loizou – MIC Swimming

Sailing

Sailing Report

The 2008-9 season was a time of great improvement for High sailing, with all members reaping the benefits of a restructured program, which will see High compete in the New South Wales School Teams Racing Championships in May, for the first time since 2004.

Notable results included Phil Kurts' winning of the CHS championship in 2008 and two heats of the Tri Series in 2009.



Phillip Kurts

Belmont Regatta – April 09



Sailing

Back Row: A.Weinstock, M.Delaney, W.Baxter, Y.Wu, T.Funston.

Second Row: D.Lin, J.Waring, B.Daniels, A.Ceh, M.James, D.Fang.

Front Row: E.Mehmedbasic, A.Richards, Mr G.Moody (Coach), P.Kurts (Captain), Ms B.Collignon (MIC), B.Hillier, C.Robinson.

Water Polo



First Grade Water Polo

Back Row: J.Toohy, D.Smith-Light, T.Davenport, A.Chien.

Second Row: J.Han, J.Liang, P.Hung, R.Feng, N.Slinko, J.Jiang.

Front Row: D.Nguyen, C.Jiang, A.Guo (Captain), M.Le, R.Sivasubramaniam.

Water Polo Report

Water polo at High this year has been a successful building block towards the 2009/10 season, with both teams gaining valuable experience and game-time. The later parts of the winter season were used to start organising the teams for the season ahead. We started off with a meeting to get an idea of the number of people interested, the turnout was promising with just enough Year 10's, 11's and 12's to form one team. I

A recruitment drive proved successful with the addition of a few GPS swimmers and within a few weeks we had enough numbers to field two teams and so the Year 11's and 12's became the Opens team and the Year 10's formed the Under 16's team.

The Open's team started the season completely new to water polo – none of us having ever touched a ball let alone played a game. Our first few weeks together were spent at the Sydney University pool. With the Year 12's away on exams, the Year 11 boys

were left to train by themselves, slowly getting used to the pool again. Bad news struck early, with our coach Lachlan Hollis called away to captain the Australian Under 20 Men's Youth Team in Brazil just before we were due to have our first training session with him. However, Lachlan quickly found a replacement before he left. This replacement came in the form of Chad Watkinson still in his final year at school and juggling between doing his HSC and coaching us.

Our lack of experience showed right from the start with our first game against Barker College proving demoralising with us ending up forfeiting lacking the numbers to field a team. However we still jumped in with Chad and played a friendly match quickly gaining valuable firsthand experience.

The next few games we played were all lost to teams who were obviously more experienced than us. We were outswum and outplayed on many occasions, but the determination - even in the face of defeat, of the boys was inspirational.





16 Years Water Polo

Back Row: N.Paul, O.Sabau, C.Morrison, H.Lu, S.Beston.

Front Row: T.Diep, A.Bhat, B.Hancock (Captain), A.Rudder, J.Dobrowolski.

There are a lot of people who deserve thanks, starting with our parents, driving us to and from the venues and supporting us at our games and our fans for supporting us at our games.

Our brilliant MIC Ms Evans whose tireless efforts have brought High Water Polo back as a summer sport. She has been with us all the way on our journey through water polo, supporting us with her inspiring words, without her and her devotion we would have never been able to get by.

To our coach Lachlan Hollis whose wise words have inspired us to push that little harder every game.

Under his guidance, we have greatly improved, learnt many new skills and aspired to achieve more. We wish him all the best for the future and with his role as captain of the Australian Youth Men's Team.

Our season has been highly enjoyable with new friendships were created, new skills, new goals to achieve and the spirit of being a team. I wish to thank my teammates for the dedication that they have put in and I strongly encourage anyone interested in taking up water polo to do so.

Austyn Guo, Captain

Winter sports Assembly 2009

Special guest Andrew Jacques, players, coaches, staff, parents students – welcome to our Winter sports assembly for 2009. We acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land where we gather, the Gadigal people of the Eora nation and pay our respects to them and their elders past and present. Our winter sports are very well attended overall in 2009 but we still need boys who used to play rugby to return to the sport. The viability of the rugby program going forward requires at least 3 teams per age group for years 13-16 and three opens teams. If you are playing rugby and having fun, tell your friends about it. I would like to see more boys in cross country running also. Many boys have demonstrated talent at 1.6 kms but neither ran middle distance during the athletics season, nor joined cross country. Get involved boys!

As we enter another winter season of GPS competition, I want to acknowledge the efforts made by many coaches and team members to accept accountability for their personal preparation. School policy is that three training sessions per week must be completed for selection in A or B GPS teams and are recommended for C teams. Boys involved in outside school training sessions can have one of these credited by arrangement with their coaches, if they are cross training at an advanced level. In the senior school coaches expect further sprint or weights sessions for players in first grade but these additional sessions are not compulsory. They are recommended. Not surprisingly, students who do the extra work will have a selection advantage with their coaches. The log book system is now firmly in place and should apply to all sports. Students need to get their logbooks signed off.

I want to recognise and applaud the hard work of Richard Gifford and Andrew Bennie (Football), Geoff Stein and Paul Scrivener (Rugby), Jenni May (Fencing) Clay Kesting/John Prorellis, Mick Kay (Volleyball) and Cathy Meaney (Rifle Shooting). The Parent Committees work tirelessly to support our sports. Thank you to them

This morning I would like to share with you some experiences from the life of Johnny Warren, a legend in Australian soccer, who was an established Australian football team member in 1968. He played for the St. George club in Sydney. His team finished second last in the first grade competition in 1968. Frank Arok was appointed in 1969 as the first full

time professional administrator / manager of an Australian club football team. His brief was to turn the fortunes of the club around. Arok believed that maintaining team discipline was the key to success. He immediately increased the number of training sessions to four nights per week and fined players for being late to training. He provided a training ball for every member of the team – a new experience for Warren. Frank concentrated on game simulated preparation, using interval training instead of 10km runs to build endurance. He introduced the position of 'sweeper' for the first time in Australian football. He changed expiring player contracts to include an incentive scheme based on performance. As a result of these changes, St George Club played in the next two first grade competition grand finals. Johnny Warren, in his autobiography, credits Frank Arok with the revival in the club's success using basically the same players from the previous season. How does this vignette apply to students at High? I think every team member in any sport can learn that success in competition is grounded in physical and mental preparation of individuals and with achievable goals and a plan of action for the team as a whole. Discipline, dedication and persistence are necessary to achieve success in any sporting environment. Together we can achieve greater goals. The catch is ...we all have to do the work

All our representatives in winter GPS sports teams should be congratulated for their personal preparation, their commitment and dedication to team goals. They are the examples of the ethos of our school – the scholar-sportsman. They are the role models for younger students to follow. At High we believe in pursuing high quality performances in every area of school life.

Our special guest today is Old Boy Andrew Jacques, from the class of 2004. Andrew represented target rifle shooting in the Australian Schools Rifle Team in 2000, a year in which he was also presented with the Australian Sports Medal. Andrew was selected in High's first grade rifle shooting team for four years 2001-2004. He was in the GPS Premiership winning teams in 2001 and 2003. Andrew rowed at the Head of the River in the 2nd IV and subsequently in the 2nd VIII. Since leaving school, Andrew has completed an honours degree in Exercise and Sports Science, being awarded the University Medal. Andrew is currently studying medicine. Please make welcome a fine recent example of a High scholar-sportsman, Andrew Jacques.

Dr KA Jaggard

Athletics



Athletics

Back Row: F.Li, S.Subramaniam, D.Cheung, D.Chandra, S.Haque, S.Higgins, C.Morrow, J.Meaney, D.Trang, L.Liu, V.Patel, C.Katsikaros, E.Zhang.

Fifth Row: B.Li, T.Ling, K-Y.Wong, K.Gunaratne, H.Sit, E.Ovadia, S.Sooriakumar, S.Razeen, A.Huynh, J.Liu, B.Ly, Y.Liu, M.Phung.

Fourth Row: J.Rajendram, Y.Wong, T.Siu, P.Panilla, S.Lane, J.Chen, I.Khan, S.Burnham, S.Ali, S.Darcy, S.Comminos, S.Wang.

Third Row: A.Guo, L.Lu, V.Anandaselvakumar, P.Krakovski, M.Chin, V.Ye, A.Fong, A.Booth, M.Lam, D.Duong, G.Denny-Smith.

Second Row: A.Singh, O.Kirk, L.Ming, M.Wong, J.Chotivanonta, D.Mah, H.Lam, E.Lee, D.Luo, G.Garyalde, I.Zaman, S.Yoon.

Front Row: M.Wong, I.Lim, J.Chow, M.Kite, H.Lane, Mr R.Devlin (MIC), J.Ireland (Captain), J.Tassell, A.Brown, A.Sharma, N.Ridges, N.Street.

2009 Athletics Report

Sydney High entered this year's athletics season hoping to build on the success achieved in 2008. With the summer sports season concluded, a large number of students, particularly in the senior years, returned for another year of GPS athletics, while some embarked on their first. The coaches, who have been integral to the improvements seen in High's athletics results over the past few years, were all back to help. In addition, the log book system, which involves students recording each of their sessions, was implemented, ensuring our athletes would become more diligent and attentive to their training programs. Evidently this system was a success, with large turnouts to sessions over the course of the season, including holiday sessions.

Many students had been carrying out their training regimes since term 4 of last year, whether in Jason Tassell's sprint and endurance sessions, or in the High Harriers, the long distance group coached by old boy Edward Ovidia. This extra work was invaluable, and we entered the seven-week season well prepared.

The season officially commenced with the school athletics carnival, held at E.S. Marks on the 30th and 31st of March. Many students took part, embracing this opportunity to test their levels of speed, strength and endurance. The outstanding performers were Anton Brokman, Lloyd Perris, Michael Phung, Christopher Morrow and Joshua Tassell, who would all go on to represent the school at the GPS championships, with the exception of

Joshua Tassell, who unfortunately suffered an injury in the final few weeks of the season.

On the 6th of April, one week into the season, a festive atmosphere marked the inaugural 'Jaggar Gift'. Organised by Mr Devlin and the PE department, it was a 1.6 km handicapped run in Moore Park West, contested by the best 15 distance runners in each year. In the junior race, Joshua Leo (15 seconds handicap) crossed the line first, followed closely by Lloyd Perris (110s), and Andrew Shi (5s). Alden Kwok was the first runner out of the blocks in the senior race, eventually won by Vlad Boulavine (30s), followed by Laurence Liu (25s) and Antony Paul (40s). It was an exciting day for all the runners and spectators, and I am sure this tradition will continue on with just as much success in the future.

Seven weeks of hard training led to great improvement among our athletes during the season, evident during the four invitational carnivals, and after the final week of lighter training, we were fresh and well-prepared to defeat our rival GPS schools in the final and most important carnival of the season. This carnival was the 114th Annual Combined Athletics Championships, held on the 16th of May at Sydney Olympic Park. Despite the windy conditions, an impressively large number of High supporters, from students to parents to teachers, were present in the stadium, filling the bay our school had been given this year.

Like last year, we achieved two individual victories – a great result. Christopher Morrow easily defended





his high jump win from last year, jumping 1.9m in the 16s – 14cm higher than his closest competitor. Ivor Metcalf also found success while jumping, clearing 1.7m to take out the 14s high jump, before achieving 3rd place in the 90m hurdles.

Our runners in the 13s age group performed exceptionally, showing great promise for future years. Anton Brokman displayed remarkable endurance in competing in the 400m, 800m, 1500m, 90m hurdles and shot put, picking up valuable points with a 4th and three 5th places. Maurice Lam also ran well, placing 3rd in the 200m, and 4th in the 100m. Another impressive performer in this age group was Eugene Lee, who took 4th in the long jump. To cap off the success of the 13s, Hayden Lam finished 3rd in the 100m division, and Dominic Mah 2nd in the 90m hurdles division.

High's success in the high jump continued in the 15s, with Harry Heo jumping 1.68m for 3rd. Mention must also go to Michael Phung in the 15s, who placed 3rd in the 100m (12.19) and 3rd in the long jump (5.58m). Brian Kelly in the 16s had a memorable day, with three 4th places, in the 100m (11.81), 200m (24.00) and long jump (5.73m). Now with the label of High's fastest runner after Joshua Tassell's unfortunate injury, Kerrod McPherson ran superbly to finish 3rd in the Opens 100m (11.44) and 4th in the 200m (23.39). Jeremy Rajendram was also a stand out, jumping 6.1m in the 17s long jump for

2nd place. Sydney High's relay teams overall put in a great performance, with 4th places in the 13s, 14s and opens, and a 6th place in the junior 4x400m.

High's middle and long distance runners also performed admirably. In the 14s, Lloyd Perris amazed everyone in the stadium with his devastating kick, coming from behind to achieve two 2nd places in the 800m and 1500m. In the 16s 1500m, Samuel Lane of year 10 finished 4th with a great time of 4:22.2 after competing in the 800m. Not to be outdone, his older brother Harrison ran his fourth and last Opens 3000m, running a personal best time of 9:18.9 to take 4th place, before running bravely from the front of the pack in the Opens 1500m, again finishing 4th. And finally, Adam Booth of year 9 showed great promise in the Opens 3000m, and is sure to improve on his solid effort in the coming years.

With so many outstanding performances in all ages, we keenly awaited the announcement of the results for the junior and senior teams. A 6th place in the junior division equalled our position last year, as did our 8th in the senior division. That a slight sense of disappointment among our athletes accompanied these results shows how far our athletics program has come over the last few years. In the junior division we finished only 12.5 points behind Grammar, while in the senior division only 7 points separated us. Nevertheless it was a superb effort by our athletes, maintaining our success from last year in the junior division and extending it to the senior division, where we improved our points score by almost 14%. If not for a few key injuries and absences, we may well have been celebrating a 5th place for the juniors, and a 7th place for the seniors, something that has never seemed possible during my time at this school.

This significant improvement is a testament to the tireless effort put in by athletics MIC Mr Devlin, whose work behind the scenes in developing and organising our program ensures each year that we are well prepared to perform. I must also thank the invaluable support of the volunteers, the teachers – Mr Ayre, Mr Codey, Mr Creer, Mr Baldock, and Mr Gainford, and the coaches – Mr and Mrs Morrow, the sprint coaches Davina Strauss, Rebecca Elliott and Jason Tassell, and the long distance coach Edward Ovadia. And finally, I thank all the athletes for their dedication to the program.

Jeremy Ireland, Athletics Captain

Annual Athletics Carnival Results

EVENT	FIRST	SECOND	THIRD	TIME/DIST
12 YEARS				
100 M	Anthony Yuan	Philip Lam	Joshua Lee	14.36s
200 M	Anthony Chen	Anthony Yuan	Joshua Lee	30.20s
400 M	Pinyan Gao	Joshua Lee	Anes Karahasan	1'11.92m
800 M	Joshua Lee	Anes Karahasan	William Du	2'58.16m
90 Hurdles	Joshua Lee	William Wu	Henry Feng	18.68m
High Jump	Henry Feng	William Yang	Andy Bao	1.20m
Long Jump	Joshua Lee	Henry Feng	Bowrun Hou	3.84m
Shot Put	Anthony Chen	Andrew Liu	Bevan Xie	8.08m
House Relay	Torrington	Ruby	McKay	64.68m
Champion	Joshua Lee			
13 YEARS				
100 M	Maurice Lam	Hayden Lam	Vasu Bhakri	13.17s
200 M	Maurice Lam	Vasu Bhakri	Anton Brokman	26.93s
400 M	Anton Brokman	Eugene Lee	Vasu Bhakri	1'04.92m
800 M	Anton Brokman	Ned Anson	Andrew He	2'35.99m
90 Hurdles	Anton Brokman	Amarbir Singh	Dominic Mah*	17.01s
High Jump	Joseph Lui	Amarbir Singh	Eugene Lee	1.44m
Discuss	Andrew He	Steve Comninos	Anthony Chen	19.86m
Javelin	Brendan Guan	Kavan Chen	David Evans	18.01m
Long Jump	Anton Brokman	Maurice Lam	Joseph Lui	4.54m
Shot Put	Kavan Chen	Anton Brokman	Steve Comninos	9.01m
House Relay	Ruby	Torrington		61.05s
Champion	Anton Brokman			
14 YEARS				
100 M	Emtiazul Hoque	Edward Zhang	Ming Chin	12.86m
200 M	Emtiazul Hoque	Ming Chin	Edward Zhang	26.11m
400 M	Lloyd Perris	Max Jones	Ming Chin	1'02.17m
800 M	Lloyd Perris	Siddharth Sethi	Jonathan Clements-Lendrum	2'23.14m
1500 M	Lloyd Perris	Arjun Punekar	Oliver Kirk	4'47.69m
100 Hurdles	Ivor Metcalf	James Chotiyana	Patrick Krakovsky	14.25s
High Jump	Ivor Metcalf	Harry Heo	Patrick Krakovsky	1.68m
Discuss	Tony Li	Harry Heo	Brian he	21.80m
Javelin	Lahiru Katupitiya	Jasper Garay	Dong Ko	24.57m
Long Jump	Harry Heo	Ivor Metcalf	Max Jones	4.90m
Shot Put	Julian Edgtton	Allen Fu	Tony Li	9.53m
House Relay	Saxby	Saxby	McKay	53.80s
Champion	Lloyd Perris			

Athletics

15 YEARS

100 M	Michael Phung	Slava Reiyder	Tian Ling	12.11s
200 M	Michael Phung	Slava Reiyder	Prashan Prabakaran	25.11s
400 M	Prashan Prabakaran	Adam Booth	Emmet Naar	1'00.61m
800 M	Adam Booth	Pasan Pannila	Prashan Prabakaran	2'17.52m
1500 M	Adam Booth	Pasan Pannila	Prashan Prabakaran	4'47.83
100 Hurdles	Kevin Tian	Kumudika Gunaratne	Tian Ling	16.26m
High Jump	Scott Renzenbrink	Daniel Jones	Christain Jurline	1.55m
Discuss	David Nguyen	Christain Jurline	Scott Renzenbrink	32.01m
Javelin	Shumit Hoque	Sangeeth Subramaniam	Gabriel Garayalde	22.79m
Long Jump	Michael Phung	Gabriel Garayalde	Tian Ling	5.63m
Triple Jump	Scott Renzenbrink	Tian Ling	Marc Paradeza	10.83m
Shot Put	David Nguyen	Danny Chandra	Vinodan Anandaselvakumar	12.12m
House Relay	Fairland	McKay	Saxby	52.14s
Champion	Michael Phung			

16 YEARS

100 M	Brian Kelly	Dominic Cheung	Isnad Zaman	12.33s
200 M	Brian Kelly	Shadman Ali	Isnad Zaman	24.11s
400 M	Brian Kelly	Giancarlo Romeo	Samuel Lane	58.02s
800 M	Samuel Lane	Laurence Liu	Clinton Jiang	2'17.54
1500 M	Samuel Lane	Vlad Boulavine	Vivin George	4'44.70m
110 Hurdles	Christopher Morrow	Benjamin Ly	Bach Trang	15.92s
High Jump	Christopher Morrow	Andrew Huynh	Benjamin Ly	1.85m
Discuss	Mohit Tugnait	Dale Chen	Alex Feng	23.37m
Javelin	Sean Kim	Vlad Boulavine	Ryan Caetano	27.37m
Long Jump	Christopher Morrow	Derek Trang	Andrew Huynh	5.48m
Triple Jump	Christopher Morrow	Yixin Liu	Ryan Caetano	11.87m
Shot Put	Michael Wang	Frank Li	David Ma	11.23m
House Relay	Ruby	Torrington	Fairland	50.64s
Champion	Christopher Morrow			

OPENS

100 M	Joshua Tassell	Kent Nguyen	Kerrod McPherson	11.37s
200 M	Joshua Tassell	Kent Nguyen	Jeremy Rajendram	22.86s
400 M	Joshua Tassell	Timothy Siu	Jeremy Ireland	55.48s
800 M	Jeremy Ireland	Matthew Ling	Harrison Lane	2'08.02m
1500 M	Jeremy Ireland	Harrison Lane	Samual Binns	4'37.50m
110 Hurdles	Joshua Tassell	Christopher Morrow	Matthew Osinki	17.33
High Jump	Jeremy Rajendram	Nelson Wang (J/W)	Alasdair Brown	1.65m
Discuss	Maximillian Kite	Nicholas Dimitropoulos	Leonard Teng	36.05m
Javelin	Alasdair Brown	Mooustafa Taleb	David Tran	38.54m
Long Jump	Jeremy Rajendram	Tony Xiao	Sam Darcy	6.11m
Triple Jump	Christain Katsikaros	Jeremy Rajendram (J/W)	Joshua Tassell	11.66m
Shot Put	Maximillian Kite	Jackson Meaney	Alden Kwok	13.52m
House Relay	Eedy	Fairland	McKay	47.52s
Champion	Joshua Tassell			

GPS Athletics

The following placings were achieved at the Annual GPS meeting on 10th May 2008

Names	Place	Event	Effort
Maurice Lam	3	200 Metre U13 Champ	26.45
Hayden Lam	3	100 Metre U13 Div	13.32
Dominic Mah	2	90 Metre Hurdles U13 Div	15.09
Lloyd Perris	2	1500 Metre U14 Champ	02:12.7
Ivor Metcalf	3	90 Metre Hurdles U14 Champ	13.49
Ivor Metcalf	1	High Jump U14 Champ	1.70m
James Chotiyanonta	3	90 Metre Hurdles U14 Div	14.36
Michael Phung	3	100 Metre U15 Champ	12.19
Harry Heo	3	High Jump U15 Champ	1.68m
Michael Phung	3	Long Jump U15 Champ	5.58m
Christophe Morrow	1	High Jump U16 Champ	1.90m
Jeremy Rajendram	2	Long Jump U17 Champ	6.10m
Kerrod Mcpherson	3	100 Metre Open Champ	11.44





14 Years CHS 4x100m Running Relay
M.Chin, J.Chotiyanonta, E.Zhang, P.Krakovsky.



12 Years CHS 4x100m Running Relay ~ Gold Medallists
P.Lam, A.Yuan, A.Chen, J.Leo.

Rugby



First Fifteen

Back Row: N.Street, J.Musgrove, D.Edgton, M.Kite, S.Binns, K.McPherson, J.Eriksson.

Second Row: M.Ling, L.Gordon, A.Blomberg, J.Whiting, G.Astaffev, S.Yoon, J.Nguyen, S.Merom.

Front Row: G.B.Wang, A.Belokopytov, A.Kwok, Dr K.A.Jaggar (Principal), N.Ridges (Captain), Mr P.Scrivener (Coach), G.Denny-Smith, A.Koerber, M.Ambrose.

Rugby Results 2010

Team	St And.	TKS	TAS	NC	SGS	SIC	TKS	Shore	SJC	NC	TSC	SGS
1sts	W 28-0 2nds	–	W 24-22	L 7-45 1st/2nd	Rain	L 12-24 3rds	L 0-22 3rds	L 12-19 3rds	L 16-19 3rds	L 17-8 SXV	W 21-17 3rds	L 17-36
2nds	–	–	L 12-27	W 26-10 5ths	Rain	L 5-30 6ths	L 7-17 6ths	L 7-17 6ths	W 15-14 6ths	L 24-26 S8th	L 5-17 6ths	W 12-5 3rds
16A	L 0-40	L 0-49 KA	L 0-31	L 7-40	L 0-51	L 0-51 C	L 17-32 C		L Forfeit C	W 36-5 C		L
16B	–	–	L 17-22	W 24-5 16B	Rain	W 47-0 F	–	–	–	–	–	–
15A	–	L 10-40 KC	L 0-51	L 0-27 B	L 0-40 B	L 0-98 B	L 0-25 B	L 0-56 B	L 5-73 B	L 12-27 B	W 15-7 B	W 0-5 B
15B	–	–	–	–	–	–	W 15-12 D	L 7-35 D	L 12-24 D	W 48-10 JG	L Forfeit GC	
14A	W 24-10	–	W 35-0	L 0-58	L 0-29	W 14-7 B	W 24-20 B	W 33-0 B	W 26-19 B	W 37-5 B	W 40-22 B	L 15-27
14B	–	–	W 22-17	L 5-22 C	Rain	L 19-28 D	L 5-50 D	L 0-29 D	L 12-34 D	L 5-34 C	W 42-5 D	L 0-40 D
13A	W 19-5	–	W 29-27	L 19-60	L 5-51 B	L 19-20 B	L 0-24 B	L 5-15 B	L – B	W 37-0 B	L 7-15 B	D 24-24
13B	–	–	L 20-27 Cowper 13s	L 5-80	Rain	L 5-29 D	L 0-38 D	L 12-50 D	L 0-58 D	W 27-0 D	L 0-51 D	L 0-8
13C	–	L –	L 0-51 Bs	10-84 D	L	L 0-75 F	L 0-84 F	L 0-51 F	L 0-57 F	L 0-83 SD	L 15-22 EI	W 51-10 KH
13D	–	L –	L 22-49 TAS Yrs 5/6	10-50 E	L Rain	L 31-34 G	L 7-112 G	L 0-70 G	L 10-90 G	L 29-47 EI	W 24-5 F	W 66-0 C

First XV

'The price of success is hard work, dedication to the job at hand, and the determination that whether we win or lose, we have applied the best of ourselves to the task at hand.' – Vince Lombardi

Looking back on 2009 many of the boys who played 1st XV have done what this quote implies. The season has consisted of hard work, dedication and determination and most of the senior players applied themselves to the best of their abilities.

"Our first XV was arguably the best for five years. It was no accident that their improved showing was linked to their improved attitude to training." – Dr Jaggar

All senior players were required to log their strength, speed and rugby training to be considered a 1st XV player. The consistent training improved their levels of concentration (vision), determination, strength and stamina. Players were able to compete for longer periods and as a team they were able to produce some sparkling, running rugby. The performance of the team is best reflected in the following matches.

The Armidale experience has traditionally been a close, hard fought encounter. This year was no exception with the teams going try for try. On the bell, with High leading 24-22 TAS missed a penalty kick which would have won them the game. It was a delight to see a jubilant high contingent storm onto the field to celebrate with the players a hard earned win for what seemed like all of High Rugby.

Replicating the determination shown in Armidale the team was able to post another memorable victory. Initial flashes of brilliance gave us an early lead against Scotts, but it truly came to the forefront in the final minutes with High desperately defending their line to win by a four point margin.

With a great support base the 1st XV put on a show worthy to end the season. Going down 34-17 to Grammar, due to some unlucky errors, all the boys showed just what commitment over a whole season can produce. From a coaches point of view it was particularly pleasing to see High outperform Grammar in the set pieces and score three well conceived tries.

A further strong point of the team was their consistently positive approach to the game and commitment to their fellow team members after a

defeat, where at the next training session they would gather with renewed determination to train well for the next game. This attitude made the season special and enjoyable.

The team was superbly led by Nelson Ridges whose leadership qualities on and off the field were a credit to the School and the team. He was ably assisted by the vice Captain Alden Kwok.

Congratulations to Kerrod McPherson (Coaches medal), Alden Kwok (Players player medal) and Alex Koerber (best trainer medal)

The players would also like to recognise the efforts of a very experienced and enthusiastic coaching staff.

Mr Aldous (Backs coach)

Mr Hannon (Forwards coach)

Mr Tassell (TJ) & **Miss Elliot** (Strength and conditioning coaches).

For without them Rugby at High would not be filled with such healthy traditions, passion and enthusiasm.

On behalf of the players I would also like to thank **Mr Ayre** (Sports organiser) and **Mr Stein** (Rugby MIC) for organising our matches as they often involved difficult negotiation. We are also fortunate to have a very supportive headmaster in **Dr Jaggar** who believes a school without rugby is in danger of deteriorating into a medieval study hall.

Mr P.Scrivener, Head Coach

Second VX Rugby Report 2009

The second fifteen of 2009 has seen its fair share of ups and downs, though they were mostly ups. With solid performances throughout the season and defeating three GPS sides; Newington, St Josephs and Grammar, Second grade cemented itself as serious team. The season took its toll though, with some key players in seconds receiving the call-up into firsts to replace injuries, and with the injuries in our own team to contend with, second's, it often seemed, would struggle to put a team together on Saturday. To the sixteen's players who stepped up to represent their school; Jonah Petrie, Ollie Pierce, Eric Ovadia, Leon Lu, Lee Ming and to any others I've forgotten, thanks heaps, the season wouldn't have happened without you.



Second Fifteen

Back Row: B.Kelly, A.Krishnan, B.Lee, S.Biscevic, O.Pierce, A.Fang, F.Li.

Second Row: Mr S.Storey (Coach), J.Nguyen, J.Whiting, R.Bi, D.Trang, N.Street, S.Danziger, S.Yoon.

Front Row: B.Chen, M.Lee, S.Yung, J.Eriksson, J.Petrie, S.Kumar, G.Deacon.

The pre season involved, as you all know, the annual trip to Armidale. The traditional Friday evening team run was given away in favour of a Saturday morning session. Back plays started to take shape and the forward pack focused on the line-outs. We knew that they would be the difference on the day. Everyone was prepared for the first big game of the season, especially those in year 12 who weren't coming back again. The pace was set from the start and seconds put three tries on the board in the first fifteen minutes, giving us a 17-0 advantage. Two late tries in the half, due to lapses in concentration, saw Armidale bring the half-time score to 17-12. Armidale came back hard in the second half and ran straight through tired High defenders, putting three more tries on the board in answer to High's one. The game showed that we had the skill to out-play teams, but not the strength or fitness to last the full game. Next week's Newington match saw the first win for second grade, ending the pre-season, with a solid victory over an aggressive Newington side.

The Riverview game was the opener for the season, and a wake-up call after our victory over Newington. A stronger, faster Ignatius side ran around and through High defenders highlighting our inability to tackle. A try late in the game to Derek Treng, down the side line, saw High at least put some points on the board. The two week break of the July school holidays saw more second graders training, especially in the weights room. Everyone was trying to get their logbooks filled so that they would be able to play. Special mention goes to Jason Nguyen, Neil Street, Frank Li, James Whiting, Gareth Deacon and Steven Yoon for their excellent log-booking throughout the season. The next two games against Kings and then Shore were both closer than the game against St Ignatius. Improvements were made to all facets of our game play and the much tighter score lines showed this.

St Josephs were the next team, the first game at Mackay for the season, and everyone was prepared for a great performance. High kicked off and we

demonstrated that we were the superior defensive team, stopping the St Josephs forward pack in their tracks and then forcing a turn over that lead to an early try. Within five minutes High was back on the score board with a brilliant cross field kick that put winger Jason Nguyen in the corner for the second five pointer of the day. The next ten minutes saw repeated attacks on the St Josephs try line, to no avail, until a line out ball spoiled by jumper Shiraz Bisevic allowed Gareth Deacon to charge down an attempted clearance kick and regather the ball to put High up 15-0. At half time Mr Storey warned us that St Josephs would come back hard, and they did just that. Stealing our ball off the kick off and scoring under the posts to bring it to 15-14. The rest of the half saw High defending with the precision drilled into us at training. A brilliant try saver by Michael Lee saw High remain in front at full time of this nail biter.

The next two games were against Scots, first at home and then away. The games were played well but the results were disappointing and we unlucky

to walk away without a win against them. Though luckily Ben Lee, who was knocked out stopping a Scots prop in the first game, wasn't too seriously injured and he made it back for the final showdown against Grammar. The last game for some of the team, Grammar is always a tough game against a bitter rival. Through impregnable line outs and solid defence all round Grammar was never really in the game, allowing our backs to put their moves into play and attack. Great support play from a Jason Nguyen line break saw one try put on the board and constant pressure saw another soon later. Lapses in concentration saw a late Grammar try but the final score line of 12-7 doesn't accurately portray the game played by High. The second XV were in control the whole time and there were several unlucky calls that could've resulted in a larger score line.

I would like to thank the coaches; Mr Scrivener, Mr Aldus, Mr Hannon and Mr Storey for the time and effort. The team wouldn't have been so successful without you. Thank you also to Bruce Gordon for the



16A Fifteen

Back Row: D.Trang, A.Gong, O.Pierce, E.Ovadia, A.Feng.

Second Row: Mr A.Hannon (Coach), J.Petrie, T.Xu, L.Ming, B.Kelly, N.Kok, M.Wong, L.Li.

Front Row: M.Phung, S.Ali, T.Gollan, F.Li (Captain), D.Cheung, S.Kumar, R.Azwad.

strapping. The Second Fifteen for 2009 reads as follows;

- 1 – Frank Li (VC)
- 2 – Neil Street
- 3 – James Eriksson (C)
- 4 – Shiraz Bisevic
- 5 – Oliver Pierce
- 6 – Richard Bi
- 7 – Alex Feng
- 8 – James Whiting
- 9 – Gareth Deacon
- 10 – Steven Yoon
- 11 – Derek Treng
- 12 – Brian Kelly
- 13 – Michael Lee
- 14 – Jason Nguyen
- 15 – Scott Yung

Reserves – Arun Krishnan, Ben Lee, Schedule Kumar, Shadman Ali

James Eriksson, Captain

16A Rugby

The High 16As have had a turbulent albeit exciting season. Strong performances against Armidale, St Andrews, Newington and a strong Grammar side in the trials showed how the team could adapt to changes in line up and position. 16As first game against Riverview saw lack of numbers and tardiness by some players. However, after some words of encouragement from the coaches, the High 16As side started to get into gear and work together. The next game against kings saw better organisation from every member of the team. Arriving a good hour before the game, the players themselves took the initiative and started warming up together and organising and practicing set plays. This resulted in a great performance against the king's school in which we were unfortunate to go down by 2 tries. After working on defensive and counter rucking and general speed at the breakdown, the 16As played an excellent game against Shore. 16As were up by 7 at half time due to a brilliant intercept try by Derek



15A Fifteen

Back Row: L.Lu, D.Andrews, M.Petrenas.

Second Row: O.Sabau, S.Martin, A.Liao, R.Gu, S.Razeen, S.Subramaniam.

Front Row: V.Anandaselvakumar, M.Phung, Mr P.McDonnell (Coach), T.Gollan (Captain), Mr S.Gribble (Coach), P.Prabaharan, K.Gunaratne.



15B Fifteen

Back Row: M.McDonald, T.Hang, D.Andrews, T.Montanaro, B.McGlenchy.

Second Row: D.Liang, N.Rahman, J.Moffat, K.Wong, T.Ling, T.Iyer.

Front Row: Z.Mohamed Rizvi, J.Do, D.Gupta, C.Oei (Captain), E.Li, B.Daniels, S.Quazi.

Trang, however some luck went Shores' way and some balls bounced in their favour as High were unfortunate to go down 14-7 after a sustained period of attack saw Shore score in the dying minutes. After working on set plays and teamwork, the 16s were finally rewarded with a win against Newington despite the 8am kick off. Unfortunately, whilst striving to end the season on a high note some scheduling conflicts saw the 16s and 2nds play Grammar during the same time in two different venues. This saw many of the 16s who backed for 2nds unable to play and unfortunately, despite holding Grammar to 5-0 at the half saw the 16s side go down 22-7. A special mention must be made to everyone involved in the team this season. To the coaches, parents, friends and family who have been with us since the very start and especially the 15s players who doubled up and back up for 16s when we were short numbers, I thank you immensely. Without you, our season would not have been as enjoyable as it was. I would especially like to congratulate my team mates on what has been another great season of High rugby.

Frank Li, Captain

14A Rugby

This year the 14As had a great season. Our goal was to make the "A" grade by next season. In the pre-season we started with a game against The Armidale School. It was a great start to the season with a win 35-0. The next trial game was against a very strong Newington As side. We were under prepared for this match, losing it 0-58. The next game saw us in a tough battle against Grammar's As. The wet and muddy conditions together with too many errors on our part led to our defeat 0-29.

Our first GPS match was against Riverview's Bs. It was a tough match with us only narrowly winning 14-7. Our first home match of the season was against Kings. It was a very close match, and our victory can be attributed to Oliver Kirk's kicking performance of 2/4 conversions. The score was 24-20. We played Shore the following week and we ran out winners 33-0. Our team played St Joseph's at McKay and without a doubt, our tackling was definitely below average and their set plays worked well for them but we managed to pull out a win, the score 26-19.



14A Fifteen

Back Row: O.Duffy, E.Zhang, J.Chotiyanonta, M.Jones, M.Stojanovik.

Second Row: Mr D.Smith (Coach), O.Kirk, L.Perris, A.Wu, J.Edgtton, C.Kwan.

Front Row: M.Li, T.Li, J.Garay (Vice Captain), E.Kelly (Captain), R.Ko, J.Chung, B.He.

After a humiliating defeat to the Newington in the trials, we came back at them hard. Even with one of our second rowers injured, we beat them 37-5. We played Scots the following week and although we dropped off in the second half and they scored four tries, it was not enough. We won 40-22. The last round of the season was a rematch against Grammar's As. It was a tough match overall. With Max Jones coming off injured, our lineout was disorganised and our scrum lost a bit of extra push but we fought it out until the end, losing 15-27. Eamon Kelly was awarded the Best and Fairest medal, Jasper Garay was awarded the Player's Player medal and Jisoo Chung was awarded the Coaches Award.

Our record for the year was 11 games played, with an 8 – 3 wins to losses. Our team is definitely looking forward to next year.

Eamon Kelly, Captain

13A Rugby

The 13As Rugby team had a great rugby season in 2009. The team improved significantly and this was evident at the end of the season in a tough game against Grammar. The final score was 24-24 and against another school's A grade team this represents a huge achievement.

As the season progressed the team gradually became more competitive as a result of some new players and a focus on training . Despite a crushing defeat against Riverview where we were hammered 56-5 we continued to commit ourselves to our training program. The speed of the back line players and the strength of the forward pack, resulted in a loss by only a single point, 19-20 against Kings. Other highlights of our season included a victory at Armidale and Newington.

All in all we had a great season and hope that we can have an even more successful one next year.

Steve Comminos, Captain



14B Fifteen

Back Row: R.Cheng, L.Katupitiya, J.Ko, J.Clements-Lendrum, J.Cho, T.Chen.

Second Row: D.Vo, S.Sivayogarayan, J.Zhu, S.Viswanadham, W.Choy, L.Zhang, D.Bui, X-D.Feng.

Front Row: M.Chao, J.Vuong, D.Wang, Mr S.Gribble (Coach), S.Wang (Vice Captain), Mr P.McDonnell, V.Puvanendran, J.Dao, T.Subasinghe.



13A Fifteen

Back Row: A.Feng, M.Cheng, E.Li.

Second Row: S.Merom (Coach), M.Liu, Y.Shi, G.Chen, J.Wang, A.Bui.

Front Row: J.Lu, N.Anson, E.Lee, S.Comninos (Captain), J.Gill Lee, H.Lam, K.Lau.



13B Fifteen

Back Row: A.Liu, R.Tan, P.Chen.

Second Row: Mr G.Moody (Coach), J.Leo, S.Saleh, A.Chen, S.Noronha, J.Zhang, L.De Fonseca.

Front Row: C.Shi, M.Hughes, R.Fang, T.Chung (Captain), A.Chen, J.Ng, J.Freiberg.



13B Rugby

The 13Bs Rugby for 2009 consisted of Timothy Chung (Captain), Joshua Leo, Anthony Chen, Charlie Shi, Alan Chen, Jonathan Friegburg, Sean Noronha, Ray Feng, Robert Tan, Jason Zhang, Lasith Defonseka, Andrew Lui, Justin Ng, Michael Hughes, Patrick Chen and Mr Moody (Coach).

At the beginning of the rugby season most of the team was inexperienced but as we progressed through the season the entire team improved through training and playing each week. Although the 13Bs were defeated several times by experienced schools such as Shore, St Joseph's and Kings we managed to defeat Newington's 13Ds with a score of 27-0. The skills of every player have improved significantly since the beginning of the season and we look forward to a successful year in 2010.

The team would like to thank Mr Moody for coaching us through the season. In addition the efforts made by Rob, Stomati and Arunan with training are greatly appreciated.

Tim Chung, Captain



13C Fifteen

Back Row: C.Wang, S.Wang, K.Lu, B.Zhou, W.Gong, W.Liu, H.Xu.

Second Row: Mr S.Luo (Coach), C.Ketkeo, D.Saggar, A.Rong, H.Liu, K.Liu, G.Qin, B.Guan, J.Lin.

Front Row: J.Yu, B.Guo, B.Vu, A.Qi (Captain), K.Liu, J.Jo, G.Liu.



13D Fifteen

Back Row: Mr G.Stein (Coach), W.Lu, D.Feng, R.Yee, H.Feng, L.Lee, D.Duong, P.Gao.

Front Row: B.Thai, C.Chen, B.Xie (Vice Captain), N.Wang-Ly (Captain), H.Gu, J.Zhang, A.Xing.

13D Rugby

The 13Ds were made up of mostly 12 year old players, of which 12 were rugby rookies. This meant we were always up against bigger, older and more experienced players. We played 10 games with two wins and eight losses

Our first game was against TAS and although we lost 22-49 there were glimpses of talent. Throughout the season we played at the E, F and G level and had some big scores against us including 7-112 by Kings Gs. We had a close game against Riverview G's 31-34. Each week we were getting better and better. Every player has improved and we finished the season with two wins, 24-5 against Scots F's and 66-0 against Grammar's Cs.

The season summary:

Highest point scorer – Rex Yi (50 points),

Try scorers – Rex Yi (10), Pinyan Gao (6), Lockgei Lee, Bevan Xie (3), Nathan Wang-Li, Waylon Lu, Damian Duong (2), Henry Feng and Howard Gu (1 each).

Best and Fairest award – Rex Yi

Most Improved player award – Pinyan Gao

Players' Player award – Nathan Wang-Ly



Thank you to Mr Stein for teaching us how to be great rugby players and to the Bs and Cs who have stood by as reserves and to the parents for supporting the team.

Nathan Wang-Ly, Captain



Football



First Grade Football

Back Row: J.Sutton, A.Vithanage, A.Tsiallis, A.Brown, S.Higgins, S.Shimada, A.Paul, J.Chan.

Front Row: M.Mikha, N.Dimitropoulos, Mr A.Bennie (Coach), J.Ireland (Captain), Dr K.A.Jaggar (Principal), H.Lane, S.Lane.

MIC Season Report

In 2009, Sydney High Football fielded 30 teams, with over 450 boys participating. This was the largest number of teams of all the schools in the AAGPS. Participation at the open level was the largest it has ever been with 10 teams. It is great to see so many senior boys involved and experiencing team sport. The virtues of team sports are well known and more and more, are being considered by employers and universities when assessing applicants for positions.

As usual junior football was also well supported with years 7 and 8 fielding 5 teams each and year 9 providing 6.

Football at High cannot function without the support of staff and coaches. Thank you to Ms Dam, Ms Eggleton, Ms Genias, Mr Jones, Mr Pearson and our new recruit this year, Mr Kay.

Looking back at the season, the highlight has to be the performance of the 1st XI, who finished outright third, losing only one match in the GPS season, and that to the eventual premiers. A fantastic achievement. Credit to the players and to their coach Andrew Bennie.

Andrew was outstanding in his role as 1st XI coach this year. His dedication, professionalism and attention to detail enabled all the boys to reach new individual performance levels and his commitment and focus on building the team has played a major part in the 1st XI's success.

I would also like to acknowledge the contribution of 1st XI captain Jeremy Ireland. Jeremy unfortunately

broke his wrist mid season and was unable to take any further part in the season. This, however, didn't stop Jeremy from attending training, matches as well as after match functions. Jeremy set the standard both on and off the field and performed his role admirably as 1st XI captain.

Results across our junior teams were not quite as strong as we would have liked.

In particular the 13s as a group had a pretty tough year, but with only 10% or so of players ever having played in a proper, organised game of football before this season, not entirely unexpected. Regardless of the results, I hope you enjoyed your first season of football at High, have improved your game and will be back next year.

In the 14s I was encouraged by the performance of the 14As in their match against Scots. Their passing interplay was top class and they have some very promising players in Jackson Lam, Arjun Puneekar, Jaan Pallandi and Marcus James.

Our 15s and 16s performed well, with many excellent results against the stronger schools. I expect many boys from these teams to be pushing to fill places in the 1st and 2nd grade teams next season.

Major achievements and award winners for season 2009

Four Sydney High players gained selection in the AAGPS representative teams. They were Antony Paul and Nic Dimitropoulos both in the 2nd XI. Jeremy Ireland and Sam Higgins in the 3rd XI, Jeremy as captain.

GPS Competition Tables

1st Grade

School	W	D	L	F	A	T
SIC	6	–	1	18	4	18
SJC	5	–	2	16	6	15
SBHS	4	2	1	9	7	14
NC	4	1	2	19	13	13
TKS	2	2	3	10	13	8
SGS	2	–	5	12	15	6
TSC	1	1	5	7	19	4
SHORE	1	–	6	4	15	3

2nd Grade

School	W	D	L	F	A	T
NC	6	1	–	15	4	19
SIC	6	–	1	19	5	18
SHORE	5	–	2	7	4	15
TKS	4	–	3	9	10	12
SJC	1	2	3	11	5	8
SGS	2	1	4	7	14	7
SBHS	1	–	6	9	16	3
TSC	–	–	6	2	21	0

Football

Dolan Cup winners – 8th grade, coached by old boys
Simon Burnett, Andrew Laurie and Tristan Keller

Golden Glove winner – Anton Brockman (15A)
Golden Boot winner – Matthew Jones (3rd grade)

Player of the year award winners:

1st	Nic Dimitropoulos	6th	Benjamin Diep	16A	William Shao
2nd	Sam Burnham	7th	William Lee	16B	Botong Cheng
3rd	Matthew Jones	8th	Alexander Saunders	16C	Vincent Wang
4th	William Lin	9th	Phillip Nguyen	16D	Andy Ho
5th	Matthew Dinh	10th	Geoffrey Zhang	16E	Saqib Bhuiyan
15A	Adam Booth	14A	Agnish Nayak	13A	Samuel Gallagher
15B	Jerry Zhou	14B	Safat Sufian	13B	Wei Li Zhuang
15C	Sudam Dias	14C*	Thomas Nguyen	13C	David Evans
15D	Kevin Xu	14D	Alexander Nguyen	13D	Kevin Zhang
15E	Conner Stack	14E	Victor Ho	13E	Eric Yu

So were to next year? How do we improve?

We need to be as physically prepared as we can and as technically proficient as possible.

- Physical fitness needs to be the responsibility of the individual.
- We have the resources here for all boys to use to improve their speed, strength and agility.
- ½ an hour to an hour, twice a week will make a massive difference and, with discipline and organisation, can be accommodated into all players' weekly schedules.
- Team training sessions need to focus on skill development, in particular, performance of skills under pressure.
- Correct instruction and repetition is vital.

Football at all the GPS schools is getting stronger every year. The other schools are putting more and more into their football. And so must we.

Thank you to all players for your commitment this year, especially those in year 12. Do not underestimate what you have achieved in combining sport and academic studies.

MIC Football, Mr R Gifford

First Grade Football

The 2009 season was memorable, enjoyable, and ultimately very successful for High's 1st grade football team. Although our team was without several of last year's outstanding players, we approached this year's season with great excitement, confidence, and most importantly, a committed work ethic. Last year's 2nd grade coach, old boy Andrew Bennie, accepted the challenge of coaching 1st grade, and at the start of the winter season he brought the team together to discuss our expectations. We decided we would play simple, free-flowing football, and our goal would be a top-three finish.

Despite first round losses in the CHS Knockout Competition and the Independent Schools Cup, our pre-season had plenty of highlights. This includes our 7th place out of 18 in the St. Andrews Cup, and our successful Armidale trip, where we won 3-1. With each game, our shape and confidence improved, and we went into the GPS season determined and optimistic for our chances. Andy had instilled a great level of confidence in the team, pushing us through many intense strength and endurance sessions to make us the fittest squad in the GPS.

Our first game was away to Shore, and we knew this was a great chance to gain momentum. Despite

conceding early on from a spectacular free-kick, we kept fighting, and Nick Dimitropoulos's penalty was followed by Sam Higgins' strike in the final minutes. We were pleased to have come away with the points, but we knew we would have to improve our performance to beat the stronger teams.

We had to wait five weeks before our next match, where we faced St. Joseph's. Although we were not playing our best, we took the lead before half-time after Anthony's great solo effort. In the second half Joeys increased their intensity as we dropped off, but we managed to hold on to the lead with our defence repelling every long ball they sent our way.

The following week we met Riverview in a top of the table clash, playing for the first time in a number of years at the Mackay Oval. Andy had stressed the importance of remaining positive in the build up to the weekend, and it showed on the day as we matched the reigning premiers for most of the game. Going into half-time at 1-1 after Nick's penalty, we were in a great position, but in the end we lost 3-1. We took great heart from our performance though.

The next week we made the long trek out to Kings. Sam Lane of year 10 stepped up into 1sts to replace me for the remainder of the season, after I had broken my wrist at training earlier in the week. A patchy team performance saw us draw 1-1, with a defensive lapse cancelling out Nick's well-taken header.

Following two winless games, we knew how vital it was to get a result against Scots at Mackay the following week. We turned in a much improved performance, and if not for some wayward finishing, our 2-1 victory would have been much greater.

In the penultimate round we faced Newington, 1 point behind us, but the same side which had beaten us 6-2 in the pre-season. We knew the difficulty of the challenge, but we remained composed and played our passing game, recovering from a 1-0 half-time deficit to salvage a draw with Anton's late strike. This was a fitting final home game for the year 12s.

Heading into the final game of the season at Weigall, Riverview had secured the premiership, but we could still guarantee a top three finish with a victory over a Grammar side in great form. Supported by a boisterous High crowd, we produced probably our best performance of the

season. Although Sam Higgins scored our only goal, we created attacking chances throughout the game and overcame everything Grammar had to offer.

We ended up with fourteen points, losing only to the premiers Riverview. This meant we finished in outright third place, the first for High since 2003, while it also met our pre-season goal of a top-three position. Our success was built upon our ability to grind out tough wins, as evidenced by our goal difference of only +2 after seven games. Nick Dimitropoulos, undeniably the star of the team, was top scorer of the season with three goals, and won the best and fairest award. Like last year, 4 of our players made combined GPS teams, with Sam Higgins and myself in the 3rds, and Nick and Anton in the 2nds.

I would like to thank the rest of the players in the team, whose discipline and commitment throughout the season brought about our great results. Credit must also go to Harrison Lane, who stepped up as captain and led the team through their last four games undefeated. I must thank Mr Gifford, whose services to the school as 2nds coach and football MIC are invaluable, giving many hours to organise pitches, referees and fixtures on behalf of the team I must also thank Andy. He set the example of dedication throughout the year, turning up to every session. He would send us individually an analysis of how we played after each game, and was always willing to hear our problems and offer helpful advice. Finally I'd like to thank everyone involved in football at High, from the parents who prepared the afternoon teas, to the players to the coaches to the supporters. I hope High's proud football tradition will continue on for many years to come.

Jeremy Ireland, Captain.

1st Grade Coaches End of Season Report

This is my 5th year as coach here at SBHS, having started with the mighty 14A's back in 2005. As such, I'd like to reflect on that first year here as a tribute to the fine young men that we see here today sitting as year 12s and part of the SBHS first and second elevens. It's been a fantastic journey and I've thoroughly enjoyed seeing players improve, make higher teams and generally grow up into really mature and responsible people.

When the season proper commenced late in term 2, the Opens' squads held a team meeting held to discuss our expectations and our goals for the upcoming season.

To quote our stand and deliver 2009 captain, Jeremy Ireland:

As a group we decided we would play simple, free flowing football, we would make personal sacrifices for the benefit of the team, and we would never give up in our games; but most of all we decided our top priority would be to enjoy ourselves while playing football. We summarised our objectives into the phrase: 'Determined, United, Confident' (DUC).

Along with Jeremy's fine summary of our collective vision, we also stated that we had a dream of finishing 1st in the comp and a realistic goal of finishing 3rd. It is extraordinarily satisfying to say that we have achieved all we set out to achieve – we enjoyed ourselves throughout the year. We also played, simple, free flowing football and when we were at our best won against the likes of Shore, Scots and Grammar. We also played some of our best football in a heart breaking last minute loss against St Andrews (in the CIS cup) and the 3-1 defeat to Iggies. We had a couple of minor aberrations to this free-flowing football when we were victorious against Joeys and drew with Kings and Newington, but it was our fighting spirit and willingness to never give up, regardless of the score, that enabled us to achieve the ultimate goal of finishing the top 3 of the GPS competition.

The crucial team over individual mentality was demonstrated when we lost our captain and inspiration in a training accident. We still pulled together and we still fought through the last four matches – without Jez – and achieved what we'd set out to achieve.

To put this season into numbers for the mathematicians out there – we played 18 matches this season where we won 9, drew 3, and lost 6. We scored 30 goals and conceded 23. In the GPS season, this translated into 4 wins, 2 draws and only 1 loss with 9 goals for and 7 against. That one and only loss in the GPS competition is a remarkable achievement matched only by St Ignatius this year. A truly magnificent accomplishment and the best result I've been involved with in Sydney Boys in the five years I've coached here.

To me, all of the above success, both on and off the field, says a lot about the tremendous determination and commitment of the players within in both the first and second eleven squads. It also says a lot about the staff that aim to get the best out of their students. The highlight of this season came week-in-week-out in going to football training and working with the characters that we have in our first and second XI teams.

1st XI Players

1. From the back we had Josh Sutton, our goal keeper, who was definitely one of the most improved players this season and someone who saved our team on many, many occasions.
2. Battle axe Max or Max the axe told me in year 8 that it was highly unlikely he'd be playing football for the school in year 11 and 12. Mr Mihka, I thank you as Max caps off his third year in Opens football with only one or two yellow cards yet, many, many withered opponents left in his wake. Well done Max!
3. We had Mr Versatility Al-Brown who played as much hockey as he did football filled in amicably at both right and left back. Good luck with your Hockey career Al!
4. Possibly the find of the year was Avindu Vithanage – I'd not met Vinny prior to this season and we only got sight of Vinny once he finished scoring centuries for the first XI cricket team; but WHAT a find it was! He is truly one of the smartest players on the park and was definitely one of our best throughout the season.
5. Shota the Stealth Shimada – In the 14s, Shota was in the C's. The 14C's! As for this season, Shota's performances turned a corner when he dropped back into CB where he could demonstrate his true stealthy qualities; in particular against much larger and intimidating opponents. He is one of the most improved this season and I have no doubt that if a GPS team were picked at the end of the season, he would surely be in one.
6. Nick Dimitropoulos – where do I start. Probably the best thing to say is that Nick's presence brought about a certain calm to the team this year. I've never heard any player communicate better on the park and he is just as lovely a chap

off the field. Nick, you are our leading goal scorer in the GPS competition but I think we would all agree that your best position is at CB.

7. Harrison Lane – from training captain to real captain and speech maker extraordinaire, when you are around, people have a good time. For me, that brings enjoyment to every session and is a real tribute to you as a person.
8. Sam Lane – for the littlest and youngest guy in the team, you bring a lot of courage to the table, not to mention a wonderful passing game and vision that will serve our football program well in the future. For the sake of your coach next year, please try to avoid moguls skiing mid-football season!
9. Antony Paul – If coaching is about finding individual roles within the team framework that suits each player's own skill set, and more specifically, maximises their strengths and minimises their weaknesses, Antony Paul is a case in point. Antony was consistently one of our best throughout the GPS season once we slotted him in a man-marking midfield role. This enabled him to roam into the box in attack and score match winning goals, while also serving a more important purpose defensively by nullifying the opposition team's playmaker throughout the game. If picked in a leadership position next year, I would come back just to hear you speak – Antony you are a true all-rounder.
10. Anthony Tsailis – D, you have been one of the most committed to my coaching over the past 5 years and are one of the most fun people to work with. Thank you for being such a good man, with such nimble feet and a David Beckham like right boot.
11. Sam Higgins – For a basketballer, you make a pretty good footballer. As a striker, you did what we needed in setting up and scoring goals – 7 of them in fact. Congratulations on a fine year.
12. Jarrod Chan – the J-rod! What a year you've had. From nearly not making the first XI to dominating the year with 5 goals and 5 assists, you cemented your place within the squad with your performances on the field. Well done.

13. Jeremy Ireland - I'd like to thank Jez, our captain, for leading the team superbly this season. His commitment to the team carried all the way through the season even after he'd busted his arm. When he broke his arm, I've heard that what he said was the something similar to the following – I may still have a career to forge in the future, and I may still well be able to play the piano once its healed, but sadly, he said, I will never be able to play football for Sydney Boys again...Ladies and gentlemen – to me, that is a true captains statement who takes pride in his every day role.

To the guys who benched throughout the year, I consider you first graders and as such would like to thank Sam Burnham, particularly for his inside information, Jacky Chen for his patience all year round, Kent Nguyen for his love of Gaelic Football, Dilee for his interest in the program and the likes of Ryan, Nakul and Gianni who provide a really bright path for the future. To those who I haven't mentioned but had a run at some stage throughout the year, thank you as well. Let's have a round of applause to celebrate an outstanding, Sydney Boys' High, first XI season.

I would not have been able to achieve what we have this year without the help of several coaches. First and foremost, 2008 SBHS graduate Lachy Street who turned up for 9 Monday afternoons to help develop our keepers potential – I think Josh and Dave would agree that he made a huge impact. Another old boy Nick Apoifis came and helped out with coaching and also provided me with good banter throughout the year. I'd like to thank my assistant coach Patty Desmond who legged it between fixtures and gave up his free time to analyse opponents throughout the season. My brother Marc also came on board to help warm up Josh prior to games and presented the first XI with their jersey's before the first game. I must also thank the 'statisticians' who helped me out during each game after they'd already played – in particular Paul, Jo, Kieran and Nema who helped out on several occasions and again forgive me if I've neglected to mention the others who helped. As you can see, there were countless people who chipped in to make this year such a great year.

Andrew Bennie, 1st XI Coach 2009



Second Grade Football

Second Row: D.Ma, N.Bhagwat, M.Carr, D.Pious, C.Chen, R.Caetano, Mr R.Gifford (Coach).

Front Row: G.Wong-Romeo, G.Garayalde, S.Burnham, J.Chen (Captain), A.Liu, S.Hoang, K.Nguyen.



Third Grade Football

Back Row: W.Lin, P.Simos, P.Kurts, M.Jones, T.Xiao, B.Li, A.Guo, Mr E.Pearson (Coach).

Front Row: P.Baweja, E.Hui, M.Fong, J.Rajendram (Captain), J.Braverman, N.Adel, R.Kamal.

Third Grade Football

The 2009 High Third Grade team was made up of ex-16A and B's, 3rds and even 2nds players. With this diverse team we knew we were going to have both a fun and successful season. The team ended up with four wins and three losses and a total of twelve goals scored for us.

Our first game of the season started exactly as we wanted. We had a 2-1 win against Shore, with both goals coming from star striker and biggest player in all of GPS football, Matt Jones. This match proved to be only a foreshadowing of what was to come of the rest of the season. The match also saw Keiran Taylor and Joseph Braverman controlling the midfield, hardly allowing the Shore opponents to have any quality possession.

We knew the final six games of the season were going to be much tougher, with Keiran being sidelined with a back injury and Nema Adel being called up to Second Grade. However, we stuck at it in our first game back after the holidays and managed to get a 3-0 win over St Joseph's, two goals to Matt and one Phil Kurts. Matt could have had two more goals if not for the "terrible" off side calls from the refs.

Our highlight of the season was undoubtedly the Sydney Grammar game. Knowing we would have a tough match on our hands we had a poor first half with the scores being 0-0. However, Matt and Phil, in their last games ever for High, stepped up greatly with, once again, two and one goals respectively. Some solid work down the left wing in Ivan Lim and great goal keeping by Sameep Sandhu saw our final goal of the season scored by Enoch Hui, the only non-year 12 goal scored by the team.

Many thanks must go out to Mr Pearson for his continuous efforts with both 3rds and 4ths, along with Chiu for giving us some old boy experience. Matt Jones was awarded with the Most Valuable Player award, as well as the Golden Boot, bagging nine goals in total for the season. We all thoroughly enjoyed the season and are looking forward to what High football brings next season.

Jeremy Rajendram

Fourth Grade Football

Fourth Grade. Who were we? What did we achieve? What sport did we play? These are questions I often asked myself whilst I contemplated how it is I chose

to spend my Wednesday afternoons and Saturday mornings. The answers to these questions are quite simple though. A team, of glory, playing the game we love, football. In a ranking of numerical order, we were the fourth best team the Sydney High Football program had to deliver, and I'd like to think we lived up to such expectations. We were a proud bunch, never tiring, always maintaining focus, but most importantly, we played the game.

It is all too easy to forget just how high the quality of football is in the lower grades of football. No one can doubt the talent of our first grade players, but I think it is worth mentioning the impressive levels of skill and passion present in the boys from Fourths. Indeed, I recount a certain conversation I had not long ago in which a sage gentleman of undoubted wit and wisdom told me a story that I will now retell to you.

This story shall the good man teach his son;
And Sydney High Football shall fore'er go by,
From this day to the ending of the world,
That we, Fourth Grade, shall be remember'd;
We few, we happy few, we band of fellas;
For he to-day that plays this game with me
Shall be my brother; be he ne'er so skilled,
This day he shall pass, he shall shoot, he shall score,
My brothers, we shall win:
And gentlemen in High colours now a-bed
Shall think themselves accursed they were not in
our team,
They will hold their manhoods cheap whiles any
speaks
That played with us, the mighty Sydney High
Fourths.

I cannot remember the exact date these words were spoken, nor can I remember who it was exactly that spoke them, but nonetheless these are words that resonate with a meaning of truth, courage and virtue.

The Fellas from Fourths, a lineage of the Premiership Fifth Grade side of 2008. Eighteen hard working individuals that are the epitome of the word championshipness. Willy Lin backed us up from behind, his masterful dives and dominating presence providing a keeping spectacle on-par with the likes of Buffon and Van de Sar. A back line filled by the likes of Mishu 'run at em' Osinski, Stanley 'the clearer' Chin, Jason D., Julian U. and Tony S. was in all senses of the word, impenetrable. A brick wall that not even the most aggressive GPS school attacks

could break down. I have seen strength, but these boys totally blew away all perceptions of this notion. The midfielders were a dynamic bunch. Fluid, energetic, amorphous, acquiescent. Nikita, Avish 'marathon man' Sharma, Nick Squeaks, Dave 'sometimes there' Peng, Andy, Arun, Masnun 'gold boots' Kayes and Dan P. represent a pack of players that maintained such confidence and finesse that at times I almost thought I was playing with fully fledged rep players. Our attack was a stoic bunch. 'Wacko' Jacko, Mark[y Mark] and Brandon. Who could have guessed there would be such class, such adroitness, such expertise. While the season's goal tally may indicate otherwise, these were a group of strikers whose balls were not foreign from to nets of the opponents' goals.

Vince Lombardi and the Mighty Ducks remain an inspiration for our season. Just as Vince said that "People who work together will win", the Mighty Ducks' motto of 'Quack quack quack!' kept us going during the toughest of matches. Ultimately, the GPS results of three wins against Joeys, Kings and Scots,

one draw against Shore, and three close losses to Grammar, Newington and Iggies, exemplify the dogged determination of Fourth Grade. We were a motley crew, brought together by a passion for football, we stood united in the face of adversity. When I think back upon our season, I am reminded of the inspirational influence of our coach, Mr Pearson. Perhaps he was quoting Anthony Robbins when he said this, but Mr. Pearson triumphed as an orator that was always able to pick us up during his half time speeches. *"You're in the midst of a war against Grammar: a battle between the limits of a crowd of Parents seeking the surrender of your dreams, and the power of your true HIGH vision to create and contribute. It is a fight between those private school individuals who will tell you what you cannot do, and that part of you that knows / and has always known / that we, fourth grade and indeed all of Sydney High, are more than our environment; and that a dream, backed by an unrelenting will to attain it, is truly a reality with an imminent arrival. Now go score us a goal, Yee-Haw!"*



Fourth Grade Football

Back Row: M.Osinski, J.Meaney.

Second Row: W.Lin, B.Cabanilla, D.Paperny, A.Sharma, A.Chiem, N.Slinko, J.Ding, Mr E.Pearson (Coach).

Front Row: S.Chin, J.Ubaldi, T.Silveira, P.Desmond (Captain), N.Lindeback, A.Surendran, M.Lucchitti.



Fifth Grade Football

Back Row: T.Siu, W.Ma.

Second Row: T.Zhong, L.Teng, L.Tran, X.Quah, M.Nguyen, K.Lim, P.Nam.

Front Row: A.Ang, D.Wu, Mr F.Xin (Coach), M.Dinh (Captain), Mr T.Wu (Coach), M.Sin, H.Neo.



Sixth Grade Football

Back Row: C.Katsikaros, N.Wong, P.Roessler-Holgate, F.Lee, D.Lo.

Front Row: J.Wong, C.Xie, W.Pan (Vice Captain), B.Diep (Captain), V.Lim, M.Tong, T.Lim.



Eighth Grade Football

Back Row: J.Chen, J.Wormell, T.Lee, A.Saunders, W.Santucci, I.Lu.

Front Row: A.Wu, A.Brokman, R.Lin, P.Radhakrishnan (Captain), A.Chawla, H.Schilling, B.Jian.



Ninth Grade Football

Back Row: K.Taylor (Coach), R.Khan, C.Wong, D.Zhang, M.Tugnait, H.Karunakaran, V.Mohan, D.McCrae-Steele, O.Fio.

Front Row: A.Uddin, M.Phillis, L.Aylmer, R.Ma (Captain), P.Nguyen, J.Chan, C.Tin-Loi.



Tenth Grade Football

Back Row: S.Valliappan, J.Lieu, A.Yang, J.Young, S.Ponraj, M.Wong, C.Liu.

Front Row: S.Chen, S.Lu, Mr R.Watson (Coach), G.Zhang (Captain), R.Feng, V.Lam, M.Chan.

I would like to finish off by offering my thanks and praise to all those involved in the Sydney High Fourth Grade Football side. To Mr. Pearson, a dedicated coach and teacher, on behalf of the team I thank you for your guidance. To the MIC Mr. Gifford, thank you for the opportunity to play. To the parents and supporters, thank you for providing the sideline spirit we so strongly cherished. And finally to the players, I don't know half of you half as well as I should like, and I like less than half of you, half as well as you deserve. But nonetheless, it was a pleasure to be a fellow fella. Remember the good times. To the Year 12s, it's been a good few years and I'd like to think we've served High well. To the Year 11s, it was a pleasure to play by your side, good luck for next year and continue the legacy. To all, thank you and farewell.

Pat Desmond, Captain

10th Grade Football

The 2009 season saw 10th Grade soccer remain undefeated through the GPS season. Despite

competing against 6ths and 5ths squads from other schools, in the end this team of ardent Year 12s, in their last season of GPS sport, fought valiantly and prevailed, sometimes completely obliterating other teams (5-0 win over Riverview 17As and 7-1 win over Grammar 8ths). The 10th grade ended the season coming 4th in the Dolan Cup and 2nd in the Golden Glove.

Special thanks go to Mr Watson whose coaching and mentoring was invaluable in guiding us through the season. Congratulations go to Siva Valliapan (MVP) and Matthew Chan (MIP). A special mention goes to Alan Yang, our top goal scorer, and Victor Lam (Vice Captain), the only other player apart from myself to attend every game.

Geoffrey Zhang, Captain

16A Football

The 2009 season for the 16As was definitely a rebuilding phase for many of the players. With four players from the 2008 15As moving up to grade



16A Football

Back Row: D.Gorey, W.Shao, W.Stefanidis, H.Tran, S.Beston, D.Wei.

Front Row: G.Garayalde, G.Panas, S.Kinger, B.Hancock (Captain), A.Huynh, M.Kobras, K.Qian.

football it was always going to be a difficult season. With new players entering the ranks and old players leaving, the team chemistry and mechanics just didn't come together for us at the right time of the season.

After a varied pre-season in form and results, where score lines didn't necessarily reflect the quality of the game, we put it all behind us and came into the G.P.S season strongly. Our first game was against a lack lustre Shore outfit who didn't play as well as they had in the pre-season. A single goal from William Stefanidis secured the win, which despite the close score line, felt quite comfortable. Our second game was against a St Josephs side, which many of us underestimated. We held on long enough to come out with a 2-0 score line courtesy of some superb finishing from Derek Wei and Gabriel Garayalde, who had not yet moved up to 2nd Grade.

This however would be the end of our success throughout the season. In many games we played very well, stringing consecutive passes together and moving up field. However goals were always elusive

and we did not find the back of the net enough. A skilled Ignatius midfielder ran riot in our next game, the final score being a disappointing 1-4 romp. The following game against King's ended in 0-2 after poor communication led to an unmarked header and an own goal. Once again we failed to create enough shots on goal and really threaten the keeper. After King's was the Scots College. We convincingly dominated possession and field position throughout the entire game, but ended up losing 1-3 due to lapses at key moments. Our only goal came from a low drive from William Shao which forced a fumble from the keeper and ball ended up in the net. The lowest point of the season came in the next match against Newington. In that match we let in six goals, we had no substitutes and an injured player on the field. After a couple of goals the team showed a lot of inexperience, dropping heads and just waiting for the final whistle.

Our final match was against our traditional rival Sydney Grammar. Eager to redeem our season with book end wins, we came out firing from the first



16B Football

Back Row: I.Bari, B.Cheng, M.Robertson, R.McDonald, D.Chandra, V.Patel, T.Luo.

Front Row: S.Sooriakumar, C.Do, C.Price (Vice Captain), K.Sivayogarayan (Captain), I.Eveleigh, A.Rudder, K.Shao.



16C Football

Back Row: K.Lin, I.Bonch-Osmolovskiy, L.Sheldon, A.Mokdad, K.Lui, V.Sethi.

Front Row: L.Lou, B.Deng, H.Lu, I.Khan (Captain), M.Rozsa, M.Deng, V.Wang.

whistle. Positional changes created a sturdier line-up at the back and in the midfield. Even with strong performances by William Stefinidis up front and Howard Tran at the back couldn't provide us with the result we wanted. Two momentary lapses of concentration let in two soft goals which rapped up the game. To our credit we pushed forward in the second half looking for openings and opportunities; however we couldn't capitalise on our chances.

This capped off a some what disappointing season where we started strong but couldn't finish well enough, this being the issue in each of our matches as well. We would like to thank Old Boy Aaron Shuttleworth who gave up his time to train us and provide us with his knowledge of the game. We would also like to thank Mr Richard Gifford the MIC of football for providing a wonderful program where players can develop and further their game. Congratulations must go to William Shao who had a stellar season despite the results, receiving the Best & Fairest award for the 16A's in 2009. Despite the results this year we believe this season has provided

good experience for many of the players who are looking to be playing in grade football the following years and it also showed the strengths and weaknesses we all have which we can work on to develop our individual game.

**Andrew Huynh and Brendan Hancock,
Co-Captains.**

16D Football

The 16D's started the 2009 season with high hopes, hoping to improve on the results achieved in 2008. The 16D's squad had Michael Liu-Li, Andy Ho, Thibagar Theivendran and Jordan Saito-Patch as forwards. Max Wei, David Li Wang, Yale Wong and Yu Sing Chan were our midfielders. Our backline consisted of Jesse Chen, Vivin George, Francis Lin, Jacky Tiu, Daniel Park, Matthew So (who also played goalie) and with Subodh Weeraratunge interchanging between goal keeper and forward. Sivasaran Sooriakumar, Kevin Lu and George Panas also played for us in a few games.



16D Football

Back Row: S.Weeraratunge, D.Park.

Second Row: M.We, J.Saito-Patch, Y.Chan, M.Liu-Li, Y.Wong, D.Wang, M.So.

Front Row: F.Lin, V.George, J.Chen, A.Ho (Captain), J.Tiu, G.Panas, T.Theivendran.



16E Football

Back Row: K.Fang, Y.Chowdhury.

Second Row: D.Selvakumar, S.Rashid, J.Wang, C.Wu, M.Rahman, S.Bhuiyan, G.Panas.

Front Row: T.Diep, R.Li, D.Chen, L.Cai, A.Bhat, W.Wong, A.Chung.

Training was conducted by our coaches, Sean and Simon, Old Boys (2007) and their main focus was to improve our fitness and skills through games against the 16E's, which we mainly won in. The season's first game started with a muddy game against Shore, losing 4-3, followed by a game against Newington, which we lost 3-0, despite being quite dominant in the second half. These two games gave us a reality check and prepared us for the Grammar game, which was washed out. However the first GPS game of the season against Shore, showed vast improvement and due to several extremely lucky saves by the Shore goalkeeper, we drew 0-0. With Sean departing for Canada, we had Brian, also an old boy of 2007 to replace him. Due to St Josephs not being able field a team, we competed against a strong St Patrick's B's team. In this game we performed extremely well only losing 6-0, compared to the 16B's who were defeated 8-0, by St Pats A's.

Against the strong St Ignatius team, we played

arguably our best game. The defenders were able to limit the Iggy's attack from coming into the penalty box, the midfielders passed and dribbled extremely well to provide good ball for the forwards. The forwards had an incredible game and were unlucky to score only five goals, despite dominating and we finished with Sivasaran scoring 2 easy goals, Michael shooting 2 brilliant goals in and Andy scoring 1. In the following game against Kings, we managed to come back from 2 goals down to draw 2-2. The final game of the season was the traditional one against Grammar and we were determined to play our best football. 2 early goals from Grammar had us down 2-0, but towards the end of the first half Andy scored, with the score now at 1-2. In the second half, High completely dominated in defence and offence, but several controversial calls by the referee, especially when a Grammar player had evidently knocked me down to the ground, prevented us from equalising in crucial moments. However, the High 16D's team walked out of the game proud, knowing that we were the better team.



15A Football

Back Row: S.Renzenbrink, J.Kim.

Second Row: A.Fong, D.Ghezelbash, S.Reiyder, G.Sutton, N.Han, N.Ma, A.Brokman.

Front Row: X.Hun, W.Lin, D.Smith, A.Hughes (Captain), A.Booth, J.Koukouras, M.Iskander.

I would like to thank and congratulate all the players for their efforts in training and their parents too, in helping them make it to the games. Our coaches Simon, Brian and Sean must also be thanked, dedicating their time to help us improve our skills and MIC, Mr Gifford, who has made soccer the success it is. To conclude, we had heaps of fun this season and hope to improve for next season.

David Li Wang, Co-Captain

15A Football

Season Results:

Trial Matches: Loss 4-1 vs SHORE School, Loss 4-0 vs Newington College, Drew 1-1 vs Sydney Grammar School

Bill Turner Cup Matches: First Round: Loss 4-3 vs St. Spyridon College

GPS Competition Matches: Round 1 – Drew 0-0 vs SHORE School, Round 2 – Drew 0-0 vs St. Joseph's

College, Round 3 – Loss 1-0 vs St. Ignatius College, Round 4 – Won 0-1 vs The Kings School, Round 5 – Drew 0-0 vs The Scots College, Round 6 – Loss 1-3 vs Newington College, Round 7 – Drew 0-0 vs Sydney Grammar School

Our season was a valuable journey. Although the results don't describe a very successful season, most games would have been won if numerous chances were taken. We had one of the best defences in the league and comparing the trial results to the GPS competition, there was great improvement in our team's defence. Soccer isn't all about winning and our team's development and improvement during the season was a greater achievement than winning all games. We never gave up and training and match attendance was commendable. This is attributed to the efforts of coaches Graham Booth and Danny Hurwitz. Our most memorable game was our win against Kings. Gaining an early goal from Wilson Lin's free kick, we held out a barrage of attempts for the remainder of the match. Another great match



15B Football

Back Row: K.Visvaa, K.Krahe, A.Purcal, B.Wilcox, H.Yu, T.Chin.

Front Row: L.De La Cour, J.Zhou, G.Liang, H.Heo (Captain), E.Hoque, M.Chien, M.Birch.



15C Football

Back Row: L.Fang, P.Wu, K.Dutta, V.Ye, L.Fang, S.Saleh.

Front Row: N.Ooi, C.Zhang, V.Nguyen, S.Hoque (Captain), D.Fong, B.Laird, S.Prusty.



15D Football

Back Row: A.Fo, B.Lam, W.Ho, B.Jeyarasa, C.Ho, R.Lee.

Front Row: J.Tsai, R.Manahan, W.Zhou, C.Wan (Captain), L.Nguyen, S.Do, W.Yuan.



15E Football

Back Row: J.Yao, M.Schwarz, C.Stack, A.Lau.

Front Row: E.Lieu, J.Lo, F.Wu, M.Lam (Captain), G.Samarasinghe, D.Zeng, A.Dutta.

was the Bill Turner Cup. We lost but never gave up. An early attack saw us up 0-1 but losing our composure with four quick mistakes saw us losing 4-1. In the last ten minutes we came back but narrowly lost 4-3. Most improved were Raymond Hua and Nicholas Han. Special mention goes to Anton Brockman (joining late as keeper and assisting to team's improvement).

Adam Booth

15D Football

The 15D's had a great start to the season winning the first few games by big margins. The players played and worked well as a team. Our most valuable player was Kevin, who played well all season. Unfortunately halfway through the season, our star keeper Allen injured his back and could no longer keep for us. There were many close games, but I could see the team's improvement with fitness and mental strength. We were training harder each Thursday but unfortunately we lost the last game 1-0 to a very strong Grammar team.

I would like to thank the players and parents for coming to the games and supporting us and our coach Mr Wan who supported the team and helped us with our game strategies. A special mention to Branavan who played well and scored many great goals. Well done everyone!

Cameron Wan, Captain.

14B Football

Coach – Oliver Hough, Captain – Chris Mao, Vice Captain – Jay Norman

Players' Player – Safat Sufian. His skill and reliability is such, that we could rely on him all season to create and initiate from midfield.

Most improved – Daniel Tam, his commitment and determination is helping him to develop into a solid defender.

We had a relatively short season, only playing 6 games, of which 4 were away from home. In this time we really developed as a team and by the end



14A Football

Back Row: A.Nayak, K.Chen, A.Kerr, A.Ramesh, J.Pallandi, A.Punekar, T.Joshi, B.Leung.
Front Row: C.Robinson, D.Dien, C.Mao, J.Lam, M.James, J.Zhong, D.Chan.



14B Football

Back Row: R.Xi, G.Lee, A.Zhou.

Second Row: K.Pharm, S.Sufian, J.Norman, V.Bhakri, D.Mah, T.Pilien.

Front Row: D.Tam, B.Angell, H.Zhang, C.Mao (Captain), D.Dien, J.Ma, M.Li.



14C Football

Back Row: Y.Han, A.Paul, R.Useelanathan, A.Soo, A.Phan, S.Trang, H.Chen.

Front Row: K.Zhang, F.Meng, W.Randles, B.Chow (Captain), T.Nguyen, J.Jiang, M.Nguyen

of the season we became formidable opponents. We ended up with 3 draws and 3 losses, but could have easily had a couple of wins! Top scorer this season was Ryan Xi with 2 of the teams 3 goals, both excellent strikes. Our best result was the 1-1 draw at Kings School, this really started to show that the boys were working much better as a team. Also I would like to give special mention to our goal keeper Kevin Pham who has kept us in most of our matches.

I would like to thank the parents, as they are the ones who get the boys out to the game each week and they are the ones there in support. Finally I would like to thank the players for a great season.

Oliver Hough

14C Football

The 14Cs had a solid season in 2009 with some tightly contested matches. Given the steep learning curve faced by many of the team, with limited experience on a football team, the boys made a lot

of progress. The team worked hard throughout the season with some dedicated training sessions and the hard work put in saw vast improvement. Special mentions need to be made to Stephen Trang for receiving the most improved award, Brandon Chau for scoring 4 of the team's 5 goals of the season while saving numerous more when in goals and Thomas Nguyen for receiving the most valuable player award for his willingness to play anywhere on the football pitch and always putting in his best efforts for the team. The highlight of the season was easily the strong display of teamwork and skill against a good Riverview team which ended in a 1-0 victory but the team will look back on 2009 as the year where a lot of progress was made that can be built on next season.

14E Football

This last season was a great season for the 14E's. Out of the 8 games that we have played in this season, we had three losses, two draws and three wins. We had 16 players on our team. Altogether our team



14D Football

Back Row: R.Tran, B.Jin, J.Jian, K.Ho, Y.Luo, I.Metcalf, K.Jiang, E.Ly.

Front Row: S.Luong, E.Xu, B.Mo, K.Liu (Captain), I.Huang, N.Lazarus, A.Nguyen.



14E Football

Back Row: K.Ying, D.Duong.

Second Row: S.Hussaini, J.Chen, V.Ho, A.Xu, D.Cordas, V.Prapakaran, C.Liu.

Front Row: A.Kaluve, A.Chau, S.Nene, C.Xu (Captain), T.Wu, K.Huang, S.Kumareswaran.

scored 11 goals six from Victor Ho, three from Carl Xu and one from both Sameer Nene and Alex Xu.

Our best player of the season was a hard choice because all the players on our team did well for us to achieve such a large number of wins, but after long and hard thinking our best player had to be Victor Ho scoring six goals and the two most improved players were James Chen and Albert Chau.

I would like to give special thanks to Richard Hua for being an awesome coach and teaching us tactics and in-game skills, Ms Genias for supervising us and finding our current coach. I would also like to thank all the parents that have bothered to take time off work to take their children to games.

13A Football

Game 1 - SHS V NC

Our first game of the season was against Newington who ended up being the best team in the competition by far. We hadn't ever played together

as a team, we hardly had any training sessions and we still had some more selections to make. With no goalkeeper at the time we borrowed Steve Cominos from the 13As rugby team who did a pretty good job. From the start you could tell that we were going to get thrashed. With no attack and hardly any defence, Newington put 6 goals on us in the first half of our first season at High. Robin (our coach) couldn't do anything but watch us get dominated by a skillful Newington side. Throughout the match, there was sledging between many of the players, some of the Newington boys were becoming quite aggressive. The end score was 10 nil, showing that we were going to have to train hard throughout the rest of the season if we wanted to challenge any team.

Game 2 - SHS V Shore

After a few washed out games, we were itching to play our next match against Shore. With trainings and some new members on our team we looked like we had improved a lot since our first game. As we



13A Football

Back Row: A.Hi, A.Ali, J.Lui, W.Wu, S.Gallagher.

Front Row: P.Lam, S.Wang, J.Zhao, J.Cooper, J.Kwon, G.Farrugia, A.Tayeh (Captain).

kicked off we made some nice plays and were playing well. But late in the half, we were tiring and Shore scored a goal to put them up 1 nil at half time. Robin was pretty happy with our first half and we all new that we had played much better than our previous game. But in the second half, after a few errors from our goalkeeper (the Cs goalkeeper filled in for our missing goalkeeper) Shore took the lead up to 3 nil. Near the end of our match, a defensive mistake from a Shore free kick made the final score 4 nil.

Game 3 - SHS V SHS 14Bs

This match was supposed to be against Joey's 14As team, but they played our Bs because their standard was not high enough. We played the High 14Bs just as a friendly match. We all had a great time, but we outplayed them. No goals were scored in the first half, but the 14Bs did miss an important penalty. In the second half we played much better and scored 2 quick goals. One was a lucky volley from Phillip and Jesse together. The keeper was out and they both

went for the ball and together chipped it over the goalkeepers head to score our first goal of the season. Unfortunately, the match was unofficial, so the goal did not count. About 5 minutes later though, Jesse was given a through ball and shot it passed the goalkeeper to make the finishing score line 2 nil.

Game 4 - SHS V SIC

Finally we had found our touch and now played together as a team. But this week we had a tough match against Riverview. Riverview scored an early goal in the first half, but were not in full control of the match. We played well but let another goal in before half time. In the second half we also showed great spirit, but let another bad goal in. We played better than the score line showed, but let 3 easy goals through.

Game 5 - SHS V TKS

We did not warm up the way we would have liked to for this match. Also two of our players turned up at

half time after getting lost and sick. One of these players was our goalkeeper, so once again we had to borrow the Bs keeper. During the first half, we let in a simple goal early. But about 5 minutes later we hit back with a goal of our own. A ball was put through for Andrew who used his speed to outrun 2 tall Kings defenders and slot it past the goalkeeper to score our first official goal of the season. The whole team was ecstatic. But soon after that, we lost concentration and before we knew it Kings were up 2 - 1 at half time. Our second half was not nearly as good as our first, but we managed to keep Kings to 2 goals with some desperate defence. The attack was not evident during the whole second half. But we were slowly gaining skill and confidence.

Game 6 - SHS V TSC

This game, as usual we were all meant to arrive at the game an hour before kick off to warm up. Only a few boys were on time many coming within 10 minutes of the start. This messed our whole game up. We were not warm or in the right mind set after the whistle had blown for kick off. The whole match we hardly had any attacking opportunities and were

demolished. Scots were too good and scored 5 goals and were cocky and cheeky throughout the game. They were laughing and playing around and took their goalkeeper out and put him up front. There was also some sledging during this game between the two sides. It was a terrible game for us. It was also at the wrong time because it was right before the decisive Newington game that we were preparing for.

Game 7 - SHS V NC

This was the game that Robin had been preparing us for the whole season. None of the other matches counted except for this one. After being thrashed 10 nil in our first game, we were about to find out how far we had come throughout the entire season. No goals had been scored in the first ten minutes. We were doing well and had a large amount of possession. But just as we thought we were doing well Newington scored. A few minutes later, Andrew made a run down the side and cut back in. He shot from the far right-hand corner of the goal box. It had gone over the keeper's head aiming straight for the



13B Football

Back Row: W.Zhuang, A.Hu, N.Kong, B.Truong, R.Chen, V.Yang.

Front Row: A.Chen, J.Kuang, A.Kuang, C.Chan (Captain), A.Karahasan, A.Arulmurugan, D.Shao.



13C Football

Back Row: B.Huynh, P.Stephens, A.Shi, A.Cao, M.Yu, D.Fang.

Front Row: A.Cheung, S.Pham, J.Ma, D.Evans (Captain), R.Chin, G.Baker, A.Bao.

top left corner. From the sideline people were shouting and screaming and even Robin thought it was going in until it nicked the crossbar, bounced down and just missed the line. John tried to follow it up but couldn't score. A few minutes before half time our hearts sank as Newington scored off a free kick. 2 nil down at half time was a great comeback from last game, but could we keep it up. Yes we could. Newington only scored 1 goal in the second half to make the score 3-nil. Again, some of Newington's players were getting aggressive and fights almost started. A rivalry has now set between the 2 teams. A 7 goal turnaround is an amazing result for us and shows that we have improved so much and will be a force next season.

Game 8 - SHS V SGS

Our last game was against Grammar. We were trying to carry our good form from last week into this game. We all got to Weigall 2 hours early to watch 2nd grade and clap out 1st grade. Most of us came early and sat and watched as a team. Robin brought

chips and lollies for us to share while we were watching the match. We had a fairly good warm up and were ready to go out and play our hardest. Grammar scored off a penalty that shouldn't have been early in the match. Even kids from the Grammar side were apologizing for the referee. But they can't always get it right. Another bad goal to Grammar and the half time score was 2 nil. During the second half there was a lot of pushing and shoving, resulting in the referee giving 3 yellow cards, all of them to Grammar players. Grammar only scored once in the second half after an own goal of a corner. After the match we gave Robin his thank you gifts and watched the last seconds of 1st grade win 1 nil, placing them in 2nd place overall at the end of the season. Hopefully one day we will be there too and will win games like them. Thank you to Robin for putting so much effort into coaching us all season. Even though we didn't win a game, he persisted and made us a much better team.

Jesse Cooper



13D Football

Back Row: A.Lee, J.Tang, S.Bell (Captain), D.Li, T.Du.

Front Row: L.Chen, W.Yang, E.Wang, A.Hassan, R.Rawnak, C.Zheng, K.Zhang

13C Football

This winter season the 13c team did a great job securing one victory. Playing against St Joseph's the C team played a good game. We came onto the field looking doubtful as most of the St Joseph's team were twice as big. We held them at bay for a while even managing a few goal opportunities. Their main striker barged his way through the defence and shot a goal straight over the goalies head. On the second half our attack was stronger as Michael Yu (who had recently been on the E team) scored a great goal making this the first goal for the C team and our best result so far.

In our game against Newington we started with high hopes but Newington scored two goals in the first 5 minutes. Newington scored quickly in the first half bringing the score to 8-0 Newington way. In the second half High managed to keep the game at 8-0.

The game against Scots was a good one, but they were clearly the better team leading to a 3-0 win their way. The games that followed against

Grammar and Kings were hard fought with a loss to Grammar and a tied result against Kings.

Our game against Riverview game was one of the best the C team played. The Riverview team pressured us, taking lots of shots at goal but none were successful. Then a miracle happened. Michael Yu burst out across the field and scored bringing the game, and the end of the game to 1-0 win.

13E Football

For many of us playing football for High has been the first proper competitive game we've ever played. For the 13Es it certainly has, with the majority of our team being first time rookies. We may not have had the most successful season, but we have all enjoyed it.

The 13Es have played 7 matches against: Newington, St Pats, St Ignatius, Kings, Scots and Newington; with 2 trial games washed out.

Highlights for our season were: our win against



13E Football

Back Row: B.Kwong, O.Tran, S.Vimalanathan, E.Yu, S.Tran, A.Wang, J.Ma.

Front Row: J.Lane, I.Marinov, V.Zhang, A.Wong (Captain), D.Li, W.Zhou, A.Bui.

Scots, 1-0 and a draw against St Ignatius, 1-1. Our goal scorers were Victor and Sai with one each.

13Es squad for majority of season: Aaron (c.), Eric (v.c. & g.k.), David, Andy, Ivo, Josh, Victor, Dan, Sai, Andrew, Jemy, Steve, William and Brendan. Sam (former captain) and Michael were promoted partway through the season.

The team and I would like to thank: the parents – for driving their kids to matches and supporting them and the team, our coach – Mr Jones – for organizing, coaching and supporting our team, Mr Gifford – for organizing the season as MIC Football and of course the players – for such an enjoyable season,

especially Eric who saved us countless times from a thrashing with his superb goalkeeping.

I'd like to congratulate the following players – Eric, as our most Valuable Player; Victor, as our 2nd Most Valuable Player and Steve as our most improved player

- Most Valuable Player: Eric
- Runner Up: 2nd Most Valuable Player: Victor
- Most Improved: Steve

Aaron Wong, Captain

Cross Country



Open Cross Country

Back Row: Mr J.Prorellis (MIC), D.Chen, L.Perris, A.Lazarou, P.Hung, O.Wu, L.Liu.
Front Row: D.Huang, D.Luo, D.Chau, T.Peters (Captain), B.Lu, J.Lee, A.Tran.

Cross Country Report

The 2009 season was an excellent one for High. In the GPS competition strong commitment to both Wednesday training sessions and Saturday carnivals was shown by all competitors. However, due to bad weather, several crucial runs during the initial part of the season were cancelled, resulting in fewer runners qualifying than hoped for. Despite this, High was still able to field a full team in the Opens division, and a strong contingent in both the 16's and 14's age groups. Our first grade team for 2009 comprised: David Chau, Alex Lazarou, Dale Chen, Aaron Tran, Lachlan Perris, Philip Hung, James Lee, Benjamin Lu, Chris Evans (Vice Captain), and myself. Pasan Pannila was our strongest runner throughout the season, consistently placing in the top third of the field, and placing 16th in the championship run. High hosted the Championship Carnival this year, and was made a great success by our MIC, staff members, parents and prefects, all of whom gave up their early Saturday mornings to assist in the organisation and smooth running of the carnival.

High was very successful in the CHS completion, placing second in the 17's. Our team in that category was made up of Harrison Lane, Jeremy Ireland, Lachlan Perris, David Chau and Alasdair Brown. High also placed third in the 15's age group, with the team comprising: Adam Booth, Jeremy Dobrowolski, Pasan Pannila and Alexander Hughes;



and third in the 14's age group, with runners: Lloyd Perris, Vincent Ye, Oliver Kirk and Siddarth Sethi making up the team.

I would like to thank our MIC, Mr. Prorellis, and staff members Messrs Kesting, Gainford, Bigelow and Ryan for their sustained support at Wednesday training sessions, and at Saturday carnivals. I wish them and all future Cross Country runners in years to come all the best.

Tom Peters, Captain





NSW All Schools Cross Country

D.Chau, A.Brown, H.Lane, J.Ireland.



16 Years Cross Country

P.Pannila (Captain), M.Lee (Vice Captain).



**16 Years Cross Country Representative,
Bronze Medallist**

S.Lane



CHS 15 Years Cross Country Bronze Medal Winners

J.Dobrowolski, A.Booth, P.Pannila, A.Hughes.



14 Years Cross Country

Back Row: W.Du, W.Ma, K.Kuang, V.Chu, B.Chen.

Front Row: W.Tu, K.Julca Cui, F.Zhang, M.Chin (Captain), J.Adhika, J.Lam, B.Kong.

Rifle Shooting



First Grade Rifle Shooting ~ GPS Co-Premiers

Back Row: Mr K.Chan (Coach), R.Woo, Y.Wu, M.Do, J.Aclis, B.Leo, Mr J.Hill (Coach).

Front Row: D.Stojanovic, M.Tong (Captain), Dr K.A.Jagar (Principal), Ms C.Meaney (MIC), N.Spoljaric (Vice Captain), J.Santoso.

Rifle Shooting Report

2009 was, in many ways, one of the most successful seasons the Rifle Club has enjoyed in its long, colourful history. The number of participants of the sport has increased, and the tireless efforts of our MIC Cathy Meaney, dedicated Old Boy coaches and parents has resulted in winning a GPS Premiership, the first since 2003, heralding the return of the Rifle Club's glory days after rough times.

Determined to improve on our 3rd placing in the 2008 GPS competition, most of the boys still rose early for a day on the range. The shining Pacific Ocean, warm sunshine and lush green plains of the Malabar Rifle Range was always a welcome sight on a Saturday morning, and the company of close friends over anything from a ripper score to a game of pool kept myself and many others coming even after the season's end. The 12th to the 20th of January saw the exciting trip that four shooters, Denis Stojanovic, Ryan Woo, Adam Ceh and myself, took to New Zealand to participate in the annual New Zealand Queen's Prize Shoot, the premier shooting event. Battling fishtailing winds, targets up to 1000 yards (914.4m) away, sweltering summer weather and entire days of competitive shooting with barely any rest, it was a gruelling endeavour. Nevertheless, it was a trip that forged great memories in the 4 lucky shooters.

With further Saturday training, the team was getting better and better. Junior shooters were being upgraded from the little leagues of smallbore into the heavy loads and high recoil of fullbore, and senior shooters' scores were improving exponentially. With this in mind, the 10 shooters that undertook the trip to Armidale on the 29th of May were high in spirits as they journeyed up to compete in the inaugural smallbore competition with the Armidale School. Unlucky to come off with a win due to an "equipment failure", it was nevertheless a great trip with honourable mentions going to Matthew Tong, Ryan Woo and Adam Ceh for attaining the top 3 scores of the meet. The very next week the squad journeyed to compete in the Annual Wingham Open Prize Championships. With the excitement of camping out, great food, great company and great results, the trip had it all. Medals were awarded to Denis Stojanovic, Michael Do, Brendan Leo, Ryan Woo and Matthew Tong, with Brendan Leo and Ryan Woo coming 2nd and 3rd in C Grade respectively and taking out the C Grade

pairs competition (their 6 pack of beer quickly traded in for soft drinks). Matthew Tong also came 5th in B Grade because half the competitors dropped out. And finally, the Sydney High School Rifle Team won the Mo Burdett Schools Team trophy for the second year in a row.

The Winter Sports season finally having begun, the Rifle Shooters suddenly kicked into gear. The GPS competition was looming ahead, and the weekly Saturday trainings were loaded with up and coming juniors and determined seniors, eager to prove their skills. Our last Open Championship's highlight, held in Cessnock on the 12th of July, resulted in Michael sweeping the C Grade competition, taking out the 1st placing and a multitude of medals whilst gaining a spot in B Grade. The very next week was the start of the week long training camp that marked the last intense training before the big GPS competition. Five consecutive days of 8am to 5pm shooting can take its toll on students and coaches alike, especially because it was the second week of the winter holidays. Nevertheless, there was the fun of splitting up the squad into 3 separate teams and shooting against each other along with the daily burger runs, push ups in the face of trivial wrongdoings, camping overnight and socialising with the other schools that cemented the camp as a memorable experience.

With that behind us, the Sydney High Rifle Team was primed and ready for the All Schools Competition on the 25th of July. Putting up 3 teams of 5 to compete against Sydney Grammar, SHORE, TAS, Scots and NEGS, the competition consisted of three matches of 10 counting shots at 300m, 500m and 600m. Despite the stiff competition, our intense training regime paid off, with each of the three teams performing admirably, and the top team of Brendan Leo, Ryan Woo, Denis Stojanovic, Michael Do and Matthew Tong taking out the match to come home with the Fiona Reynolds Memorial Trophy. Special mention must go to Brendan Leo for top scoring the match, one of his scores being a perfect 50 out of 50 with 7 centre bullseyes. Our sights now firmly set on the coveted GPS title, we set out to enjoy our lovingly prepared afternoon barbeque, a rugby match and a long Sunday rest before the final days of the Rifle Shooting Calendar.

The first day of the GPS competition finally came on the 28th of July. The day would begin with the Rawson Cup, two 7 shot matches each at 500m and 600m, then the NRA Shield, a 10 shot match at

600m. Up against all of the schools from the All Schools Competition plus the as yet seen Kings squad, the newly announced 1st Grade Team was determined as ever to perform to our capabilities, but despite our great start, nerves, wind and cockiness in the second match had us narrowly beaten by King's and SHORE. The NRA Shield though was much more successful, with high scores all around the board resulting in our first placing! Special mention must go to Ryan Woo for his phenomenal 50 out of 50 with 7 centres, the top score of the day.

Positioned in first place, the 1st Grade Team relaxed on the morning of Wednesday the 29th of July to support the 2nd Grade team. This match consisted again of two 7 shot matches, but at 500m and 300m. In most of the competitors' first ever GPS Competition, the team performed admirably, unlucky to succumb to nerves at the second range. Despite the 4th placing, the shoot still yielded some excellent results, with Andy Xie scoring a perfect 35 out of 35 with 2 centres and Abraham Chan scoring 34 out of 35 with 3 centres, unlucky to drop his last shot.

The afternoon was the unpredictable decider for the 1st Grade premiership, not so much because of the 8 shot match at 300m, but more the snap shoot, also known as "rapid fire". With 8 shots being fired at 10 second intervals from each other on a target half the size of the regulation 300m target, it was the match where many competitors lost out. After our successful 300m match, we headed out onto the range, some of us for the last time, to prepare for the shoot-off. With rifles going off like cannons every few seconds, it was a surreal sight, but our results were even more beautiful. Two perfect scores of 40 out of 40 by Matthew Tong and John Aclis, a 39 out of 40 by Ryan Woo and two 38 out of 40s by Nevin Spoljaric and Denis Stojanovic had definitively won us the premiership. The only bittersweet feeling was that we had to share it with the King's School, falling short by one mere centre on taking the premiership all for ourselves.

The presentation afterwards yielded some great photos, an initial dilemma over who received the premiership shield first, and some more good news. Ryan Woo, Matthew Tong and Nevin Spoljaric were



Second Grade Rifle Shooting

Back Row: Mr K.Chan (Coach), A.Ceh, W.Wu, J.Wachsmann, A.Chan, Mr J.Hill (Coach).
Front Row: R.Huynh, A.Xie, Ms C.Meaney (MIC), P.Tran (Captain), J.Aclis.



Rifle Shooting Club

Back Row: D.Stojanovic, B.Leo, E.Wong, J.Toohey, J.Wachsmann, J.Lee, T.Y.Li, Z.Guo, G.Dzero, J.Santoso.

Third Row: R.Woo, A.Low, S.Cheng, A.Chan, A.Stoneham, Y.Wu, B.Yan, W.Wu, M.Chan, M.Do, D.Tran.

Second Row: K.Zheng, P.Tran, R.Huynh, A.Ceh, E.Ng, J.Aclis, O.Wu, G.Zheng, A.Xie, Y.Liu, W.Zhou, I.Ho, H.Zhou.

Front Row: P.Choi, T.Fong, S.Wang, R.Irwin, Mr K.Chan (Coach), N.Spoljaric (Vice Captain), Ms C.Meaney (MIC),
M.Tong (Captain), Mr J.Hill (Coach), R.Li, O.Long, J.Huang, A.Xing.

Seated on Ground: R.Ly, D.Lin, J.Peng, J.Chan, T.Chew, B.Chen, M.Deng, M.Wu, J.Tong.

each named in the Combined GPS First Grade Team of 2009, with Matthew Tong named as the Captain of the squad.

On behalf of all the Sydney High Shooters of 2009, I would like to extend my utmost appreciation to the people who made this historic premiership possible. Thank you to our Old Boy coaches Justin Hill (2001), Kevin Chan (1998), Joe Banh (2006) and Ishan Nadkarni (2008) for putting up with our bragging, complaints and anxiety throughout the year in preparing us for the big competition. Thank you to our MIC Cathy Meaney for her tireless efforts to make the sport more enjoyable and comfortable for everyone involved. Thank you to Dr Jaggar for his

continuing support of the sport. Thank you to the many Old Boy supporters working behind the scenes and who turned up to cheer us on, Nathan Scudder (1992), Sam Kremer (1992), Tom Vogelgesang (1998), David Jacques (2001), Daniel Comben (2003), Chris Budd (2003) and John Fraser (1933). Thank you to our parents, who fed us, hydrated us and comforted us throughout the intense three days of competition. And finally thanks must go to my fellow shooters of the Sydney High Rifle Club, your unwavering commitment and endless hilarity making the sport all the more enjoyable.

Matthew Tong, Captain of Rifles

Fencing



First Grade Fencing
J.Byrnes, A.Clune, A.Ghose (Captain), C.McKay.

Fencing Report

Under 15s A team won Bronze in the Schools League Tournament

Silver Medallists: Mathew Chan, Ian Li and Kritman Dhamoon.

The 2009 Fencing season was an enjoyable and competitive experience with our boys winning many accolades. Sydney Boys High School fielded nine teams in the Schools League, the equivalent of the GPS competition for fencing, and our First Grade team was invited to fence in the AJ Rae shield competition.

The First Grade team comprising Addison Clune, Julian Byrnes, Caillin McKay and Anirban Ghose, was disappointed not to have made it to the final round of competition in the Schools League. We fenced with promise in Term 2 and Julian Byrnes was ranked 12th out of over 80 fencers in the Senior Individual division for the NSW School Championships. Shaun Fletcher did well too, coming 14th in the individual junior competition.

The AJ Rae tournament, held at Riverview for the first time, was a special experience to savour. We began with promise, but unfortunately Yixin Liu dislocated his shoulder, leading to a forfeit. The Second Grade fencing team also had an injury ridden competition and was unable to make it to B division finals.

The most exciting performance came from our under 15s A team comprising Ian Ho, Shaun Pak, Mathew Chan and Shaun Fletcher. They just missed fencing for a gold or silver medal by a meagre point in the Schools League Competition. Determined not to return empty-handed, they dug deep against St Aloysius B and fought with the last of their drained strength and resolve. Initially, Aloysius B gained the upper edge, but Mathew Chan struck even, providing them with the boost they needed. Shaun Pak dominated his next opponent 5-2. As with all great fencing matches, the result came down to the final bout. Ian Ho, the captain of the team and 2010 Fencing Captain, was losing in dramatic fashion with less than a minute left in the match. With the score at 4-0 and one more point for the opposition meaning defeat for Sydney High, Ian took his guard. Taking one point at a time, he managed to defeat the Aloysius fencer 5-4. With that nail-biting finish, the under 15s A team brought home the bronze medal.

It was wonderful to see the junior fencers, many of them fencing for their first season, improve throughout the matches and genuinely enjoy fencing. There are many promising fencers in the junior years who will be exciting to watch in the coming years.

This season's success could not have been achieved without our wonderful and efficient MIC, Ms Jennifer May. Sadly, this year our Juniors' coach, Tuko Maia, will be heading to Western Australia and will not be with us next year. He will be greatly missed. Alwyn Wardle has been a brilliant coach for the seniors and we look forward to seeing him again next year. A special thank you to all parents and supporters for their time and encouragement. The claps and cheers sure spurred us to achieve our very best.

SBHS Senior First Grade

Anirban Ghose (Captain) Addison Clune, Julian Byrnes, Caillin McKay

SBHS Senior Second Grade

Patrick Hsiao(Captain), Warren Dang, Chun Wong, Yixin Liu



SBHS Blue U15 Pictured with Tuko Maia [coach]

Shaun Pak (Captain), Ian Ho, Matthew Chan, Shaun Fletcher

SBHS Red U15

Albert Nguyen (Captain) Jeremy Dobrowolski, Weicong Huang, Anthony Xu

SBHS Green U15

Ben Hillier (Captain), Ming Pan, Hung-Ting Lin

SBHS Black U15

Toby Funston (Captain), Andrew Cha, Khushaal Vyas, Jason Hu

SBHS Orange U15

William Yeung (Captain), Steven Ngo, Ian Li

SBHS RED U13

Ashley Chan (Captain) Kin Pan and Kritman Dhamoon

Kritman pictured right with Tuko Maia [coach]

SBHS Blue U13

Kenneth Yu, Hardy Zhu and Yiutao Wong

SBHS Orange U13

Nicholas Costa, Michael Hauser, Michael Xin, Hawk Ji

SBHS Green U13

Riley Irwin, Christopher Chen, Oliver Long, Gideon Kwok

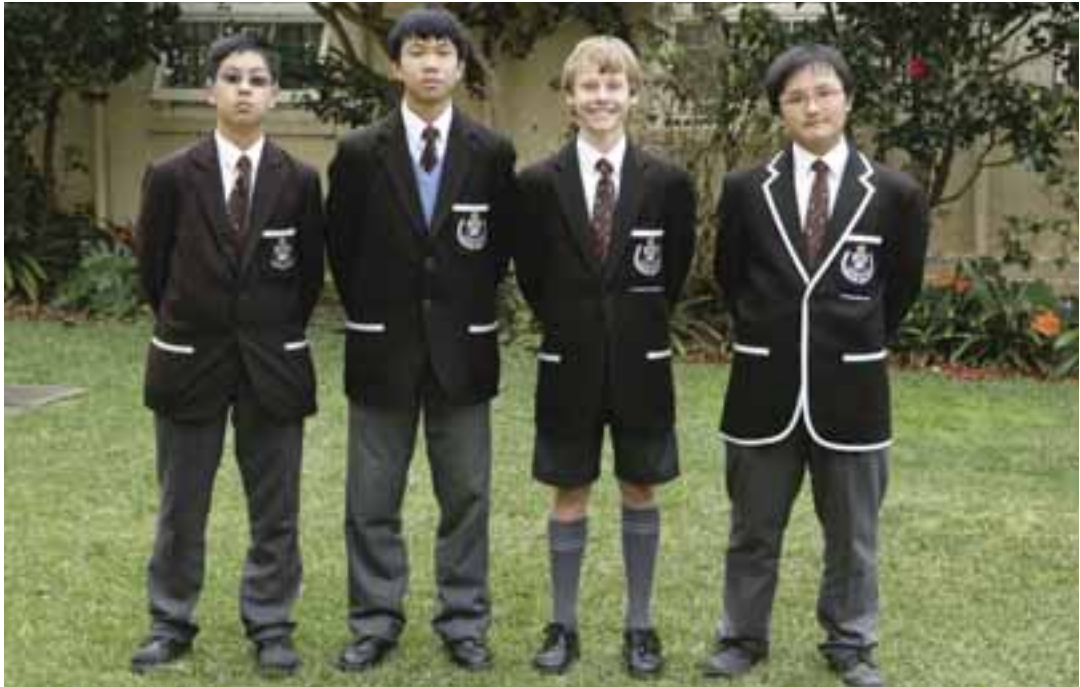
Anirban Ghose, 2009 Fencing Captain



Second Grade Fencing

Y.Lin, P.Hsiao, W.Dang, C.Wong.

Fencing



Under 15 Fencing

A.Nguyen, W.Hoang, J.Dobrowolski, I.Ho.



Junior Fencing

Back Row: S.Ngo, A.Chan, T.Funston, S.Pak, M.Chan, B.Hillier, I.Li.

Second Row: G.Kwok, D.Zhang, K.Pan, S.Fletcher, A.Cha, W.Yeung, M.Pan, M.Xin.

Front Row: H.Zhu, Y.Wong, O.Long, R.Irwin, C.Chen, M.Hauser, K.Yu, N.Costa.

Skiing

It was again this year a supreme pleasure and a privilege to lead our skiers and snowboarders on their annual pilgrimage to the Snowy Mountains; there among the snow gums and granite boulders to commune with the spirits of our country's high places and to do battle in the Sydney Regional Interschools Snowsports Championships.

Twenty eager participants meant that our school was well represented in all divisions and disciplines during race week and that there were no vacant seats on our trusty Toyota Cruiser!

Excellent behaviour in public and a robust team spirit during the week at Jindabyne and Thredbo brought great credit to our school (and made life somewhat easier for supervising teachers and parents!). Many boys proudly raced and free-skied in High Rugby jerseys and with broad smiles on their faces which helped ensure a distinctive and much admired presence on the mountain.

Our results in individual and team disciplines were very pleasing: none more so than those in Cross Country events where four boys, eventually, earned a right to compete in National Championships at Falls Creek in September.

Hearty thanks go to the Committee, participating parents, teacher-coach Andrew Fuller, Team Captain Roy Chen, the boys themselves and to our numerous supporters who helped ensure the success of the enterprise this year.

The Team included: Perry Sim and Joshua Lane (Yr 7), Tim Collier (Yr 8), Tom Connolly and Julian Edgtton (Yr 9), Brendan Hancock, Samuel Lane, Sean Martin, Allen Liao, Jeremy Dobrowolsky, and Jonah Petrie (Yr 10), Michael Ambrose, Ben Soroka, James Whiting, Michael Carr, Andrew Blomberg, Alex Koerber, Greg Shagorodsky and Dominic Edgtton (Yr 11) and Team Captain Roy Chen (Yr 12)

M H Jones, MIC Skiing



Ski Team

Back Row: A.Blomberg, M.Carr, M.Ambrose.

Second Row: J.Dobrowolski, S.Lane, A.Koerber, J.Whiting, B.Soroka, G.Shagorodsky.

Front Row: J.Lane, T.Connolly, Mr M.Jones (Coach), D.Edgtton, Mr A.Fuller (Coach), P.Sim, T.Collier.

Skiing



Mr Andrew Fuller, Andrew Blomberg (Yr 11), Allen Liao (Yr 10), Tim Collier (Yr 8) and Perry Sim (Yr 7) enjoying a fall of fresh snow at Thredbo.



The Team at the bottom of the mountain Thredbo– Day 1



*Dominic Edgtton
– a strong skier who is
comfortable at speed...*

Cross Country Skiing

Cross Country skiing is said to be the most demanding cardiovascular activity there is. High skiers Brendan Hancock, Sam Lane, Tom Connolly and Tim Collier certainly put the statement to the test this year. The four set out, early in the winter season, to compete in the regional Interschools Cross-Country championships in the July holidays. They entered two events: Individual Freestyle, where competitors times are recorded and then tallied to arrive at a team total (three skiers per team) with the team achieving the lowest accumulated times declared the winner; and the Relay, where each team member skis the course then tags the next person until three circuits are done. Brendan, Sam and Tom competed in the division two (Yrs 9 & 10) Individual Freestyle event, whilst Tim contended in division three (Yrs 7 & 8).

Battling harsh winds and bitter cold conditions, Tim, in the Freestyle event, managed to come around the middle of the pack and achieve a worthy placing, without a team to back him up – a tremendous effort! The division two boys managed to come third, with Brendan and Sam having attempted this type of skiing only once before. In the Relay event, Tim, Sam and Tom formed a team, which placed third in division two – Tim this time skiing up a division. As a reward for their efforts the boys qualified for the State Championships and once again set out for Perisher some weeks later.



However, with Brendan injured, Tim stepped up to the plate for a second time in division two; for both Freestyle and Relay events.

The team performed better on this occasion, placing second in both events – Sam achieving the third fastest time in the individual rankings. The placing achieved by the boys meant that they had earned a trip to Falls Creek in Victoria; there to compete in the National Australian Cross Country Skiing Championships.

Facing would-be Olympians, Tim, Sam and Tom (Brendan still out due to injury), competed in a gruelling 3.4 km Classic event – around double the length of the course in the regional and state events. Once again, to the astonishment of many surprised onlookers, the team performed remarkably well, each boy receiving a silver medal as a reward for his sterling effort. Sam finished 11th, Tom 12th and Tim 17th out of 21 competitors. In the Relay the boys again turned in a great performance; yet the results were slightly confused and slightly less than deserved. Due to some Cross Country skiing politics and administrative weirdness, the team was awarded fifth place out of eight teams – still outstanding, and a credit to the boys. A huge thanks must go to Mrs. Connolly and Mr. Collier for their fantastic efforts in organisation and ability to make all three trips such a success.

Sam Lane & M H Jones

Volleyball



First Grade Volleyball

Back Row: D.Shan, M.Li, C.Morrow, B.Ougra, N.Wang.

Front Row: J.Suh, N.Abeysuriya, Dr K.A.Jaggar (Principal), R.Mitra (Captain), Mr M.Kay (MIC), S.Dong, S.Zhang.

First Grade Volleyball

This year has been overwhelming both in the number of victories and the manner in which these were accomplished – and it may well have proved to be one of the most successful ever seasons for High volleyball. First Grade regained the CHS crown with an amazing victory in the CHS knockout, while retaining the GPS Premiership along with the Second Grade side. The 1st Grade side itself was undefeated in NSW, dropping just four sets in the entire season, a previously unheard-of achievement. The Volleyball program has grown in leaps and bounds this year, and proves that with a young grade squad, High will continue to be a strong competitor at all levels in years to come.

The senior teams have competed fiercely this season, however for 1st Grade the catalyst for this performance was the Australian Volleyball Schools Cup at the end of 2008. Even though the team



Balraj Ougra achieved selection in the Australian team chosen to play against New Zealand

encountered an early setback with the loss of outside hitter Nishan Abey Suriya, it placed second in the 2nd Division in Open Boys – a best-ever achievement. After winning 9 straight matches, including a few close three-setters that may have previously swung the other way, the team lost in a close final, but with a renewed confidence that would show throughout the year to come. The team had strength across the net, something quite unusual at this level, including Stephen Dong (setter), Merlin Li (middle blocker), Chris Morrow (middle blocker), Balraj Ougra (outside hitter), Nishan Abey Suriya (outside hitter), Joshua Suh (universal), Nelson Wang (middle blocker), Shorson Zhang (libero/utility), Daniel Shan (universal), John Gim (universal) as well as Ritam Mitra as captain and outside hitter.

Everyone fought hard throughout the year, and this was rewarded with early successes in State Metro tournament. However, on the eve of the CHS knockout finals, disaster struck when a plague of flu swept across the school, taking out Nishan altogether and weakening other members of the team. However, the team rallied to regain the title over a tense two days, and despite continued injuries to key players throughout the season, the dominance shown by the side was nevertheless prominent.

The GPS competition was, this season, the most open out of any in recent memory – Newington fielded its strongest ever side, displacing Grammar as the usual candidates to upset High's party, beating them twice and increasing the pressure on High to perform. In fact, though the side once again dropped a set to Grammar, High performed very strongly against Newington, both times exploiting their opposition's weakness in speed, highlighting the importance of the new and improved fitness and strength regime implemented by fitness supervisor Dr Ganderton. In this way High maintained another undefeated season in the GPS competition, washing away the heartbreak of last year's final-round loss to Grammar.

The winning streak of the side at the time of writing has long surpassed 50 matches, and with two more state tournaments to come before entry into the Honours Division on the revered Australian Schools Cup Open Boys stage, the team are still confident of maintaining the prestigious title of being undefeated in not only the entire state, but the entire country, for a whole season.

1st Grade Volleyball's success in 2009 also allowed for multiple members of the team to compete at a regional, state and national level. Firstly, Joshua Suh, Nishan Abeysuriya, Shorson Zhang, Stephen Dong, Balraj Ougra, Chris Morrow, Merlin Li, Nelson Wang and Ritam Mitra were selected to represent Sydney East at the regional CHS championships, in which the side placed a best-ever 2nd place. In addition, a record four players from Sydney Boys – Stephen, Merlin, Chris and Balraj were selected for the CHSNSW Trans-Tasman team, while Balraj also achieved selection in the Australian team chosen to play against New Zealand.

These accomplishments reflect Sydney High Volleyball's supremacy in Volleyball in 2009, and it must not be forgotten that these are a direct result of the hard working coaching staff always putting in their best efforts for the boys. Firstly, thanks must be extended to Ms.Trompetter, convenor of the junior teams during the draining all-day long Metro and School tournaments and Dr Ganderton, the fitness supervisor. But, most particularly, to the Assistant coach of 1st Grade, old boy Yaegan Doran, and the

head coach and MIC, Mr Kay. These individuals have worked tirelessly to produce the strongest possible outfit for the school this season, making countless sacrifices and allowing all our experiences to be all the more enjoyable.

As is clearly evident, High Volleyball has enjoyed an astonishing season in 2009 and it augurs well for the years to come – hopefully we can keep this domination up!

Ritam Mitra, Captain of Volleyball

Second Grade Volleyball

The second grade volleyball team at High managed to dominate the GPS, remaining undefeated and winning each game in straight sets, a record not seen since 2004. The addition of John Gim to this years' 2009 second grade squad provided a strong defensive blocking presence in the middle of the court and a roof over the opposition's offense. Being a fast learner, John Gim has been a strong addition to the second grade squad, developing a deadly jump serve and quickly becoming the strongest



Second Grade Volleyball

Back Row: S.Wan, J.Gim, J.Yang, I.Li, Mr M.Kay (MIC).

Front Row: J.Mok, P.Lai, B.Cheung (Captain), T.Wang, H.Huang.

hitter of the team. Despite being the shortest player in the team, Hugh Huang managed to deliver some of the strongest backcourt spikes of the season and despite failing to reach over the net, managed to provide a strong blocking presence. Setters Patrick Lai and Sam Wan accurately placed sets for the outside hitters Ivan Li and young prospect Justin Yang to hit strong cross court shots through the opposing defence. Special mentions to Second Grade veteran Sam Wan on consistently providing offensive opportunities throughout his years of playing Second Grade Volleyball at High, your skills will surely be missed. Middle blockers Tony Wang and Daniel Smith-Light hit precise shots and many unconventional plays to confuse the opposing defence. As the season progressed, High developed faster shots and accurate passing, showing a possible future for the national tournament at the end of the year. Congratulations High on achieving the Champion title for the season and remaining undefeated!

Brendan Cheung, Captain of Second Grade

16A Volleyball

This year's season for our U16A volleyball team could not have been more successful. As the weeks progressed, the team developed experience, confidence and skill and by the time our first tournament was in sight we were quietly confident. We sailed through to the finals in our first NSW Schools Cup and grabbed our first gold medal of the season.

A number of the team represented Sydney University in the Junior Sydney Volleyball League where we built further confidence and skill through playing competitions every Sunday and after 7 weeks of intense play offs, we brought home gold trophies with the title 2009 Junior Champions.

The second NSW Schools Cup was held on the 31st of July, where we once again earned a place in the finals to defeat Pennant Hills and grab our second gold medal.

The Sydney High Junior Tournament was our last



16A Volleyball

Back Row: J.Park, J.Yang, C.Moller, D.Nguyen, C.Jurlina, E.Naar.

Front Row: E.Mehmedbasic, M.Song, D.Kim (Captain), H.Sit, J.Wang.



16B Volleyball

Back Row: K.Cheng, S.Cao, A.Li, J.Tang.

Front Row: J.Zang, K.Nguyen, A.Gaffney.

tournament before the end of the season and we entered it with high expectations and a determination to succeed. Grammar and Newington proved to be no match for our team as we dominated the tournament, defeating both teams in straight sets.

This year's team comprised mostly of last year's experienced players: Jonathon Mok, Henry Sit, Christian Jurlina, David Nguyen, Justin Yang and I

and the two newcomers Ennes Mehmedbasic and Jun Park who proved to be beneficial assets to the team.

With the Australian Volleyball School's Cup coming up in December, we will concentrate on maintaining our skills to produce outstanding results and bring back home the gold.

Dennis Kim, Captain

Volleyball



15 Years Volleyball

Back Row: K.Leung, C.Luiker, W.Baxter, N.Ly. **Front Row:** M.Yim, S.Prakash, A.Saksena, C.Ye, O.Lee.



14 Years Volleyball

Back Row: E.Lu, J.Ni, T.Zhou, K.Li. **Front Row:** R.Le, C.York (Captain), J.Weng.

List of Officers

	Headmaster	Captain	President OBU	President P&C
1883	J. Waterhouse			
1884 (1)	J. Coates	F.W. Doak		
1885	J. Coates	G.C. Saxby		
1886	J. Coates	G.C. Saxby		
1887	J. Coates	F.W. Doak		
1888	J. Coates	P.J. Pratt		
1889	J. Coates	A.B. Davies	OLD BOYS UNION	
1890	J. Coates	J.P. Wood	Founded 13 June 1892	
1891	J. Coates	H.S. Dettmann		
1892	J. Coates	H.S. Dettmann	J. Coates	
1893	J. Coates	W.G. Forsyth	J. Coates	
1894	J. Coates	W.G. Forsyth	J. Coates	
1895	J. Coates	F.A. Todd		
1896	J. Waterhouse	F.A. Todd	The OBU lapsed in 1895, due to the reduced enrolment in the School and a subsequent lack of former pupils to take up Union positions. The OBU was reformed on 11 August, 1902 under A.M. Eedy.	
		J.P.V. Madsen		
1897	J. Waterhouse	F.A. Todd		
1898	J. Waterhouse	O.U. Vonwiller		
1899	J. Waterhouse	O.A.A. Diethelm		
		C. St. L. Willis		
1900	J. Waterhouse	C.E. Weatherburn		
		A.M. Levick		
1901	J. Waterhouse	G.L. Tomlinson		
1902	J. Waterhouse	W.E.T. Porter	A. M. Eedy	
1903	J. Waterhouse	H.S. Utz	P. J. Pratt	
1904	J. Waterhouse	H.S. Utz	C. H. Cooke	
1905	J. Waterhouse	A.S. Walker	Prof. O. U. Vonwiller	
1906	J. Waterhouse	R.C. Blumer	R. C Forsyth	
1907	J. Waterhouse	W.R. Brown	C. M. Drew	
1908	J. Waterhouse	A.L. Buchanan	G. C Saxby	
1909	J. Waterhouse	J.G.M. Beale	C. A. Fairland	
1910 (2)	J. Waterhouse	C. G. McDonald	Prof. F. A. Todd	
1911	J. Waterhouse	O. D. Oberg	P. S. Hunt	
		J. R. Nield		
		E. J. Saxby		
1912	J. Waterhouse	F. Wootton	G. C. Saxby	
1913	J. Waterhouse	G. J. M. Saxby	A. Bohrsman	
		W. S. Patterson		
1914	J. Waterhouse	J. Woodhouse	A. G. Henderson	
1915	J. Waterhouse	C. E. Brake	A. G. Henderson	
1916	R. J. Hinder	A. W. W. Gray	W. G. Lewes	
1917	R. J. Hinder	T. H. Henry	E. J. Hooke	
1918	R. J. Hinder	F. E. Stayner	E. J. Hooke	
1919 (3)	C. R. Smith	G. B. Morris	H. K. Prior	
1920	C. R. Smith	K. M. McCredie	H. K. Prior	
1921	C. R. Smith	S. J. Burt	L. F Watt	
1922	C. R. Smith	A. Underhill	L. F Watt	
1923	C. R. Smith	E. M. Henry	W. W. Vick	
1924	C. R. Smith	S. C. King	A. M. Eedy	

List of Officers

1925	G. C. Saxby	E. L. Pilkington	R. T. McKay	Rev H.E. Hulme
1926	G. C. Saxby	K. C. Hardy	R. T. McKay	Rev H.E. Hulme
1927	G. C. Saxby	L. W. Hepper	R. T. McKay	Rev H.E. Hulme
1928	G. C. Saxby	B. Gardiner	A. M. Eedy	Rev H.E. Hulme
				A.R. Sullivan
1929	G. C. Saxby	J. L. Still	W. J. Cleary	A.R. Sullivan
1930	G. C. Saxby	T. P. Pauling	O. A. A. Diethelm	A.R. Sullivan
1931	G. C. Saxby	E. W. Hyman	O. A. A. Diethelm	A.R. Sullivan
1932	G. C. Saxby	R. L. McKinnon	H. F. Halloran	A.R. Sullivan
1933	G. C. Saxby	A. W. Horner	S. A. Smith	A.R. Sullivan
1934	F. McMullen	F. B. Horner	S. A. Smith	A. Horner
1935	F. McMullen	J. Maxwell	C. G. McDonald	A. Horner
1936	J. H. Killip	H. Turk	C. G. McDonald	H.B. Edwards
1937	J. H. Killip	K. J. Oram	G. F. Diamond	H.B. Edwards
1938	J. H. Killip	R. Higham	Judge J. R. Nield	E.H. Oliver
				H.B. Edwards
1939	J. H. Killip	N. Docker	Judge J. R. Nield	H.B. Edwards
1940	J. H. Killip	R. Loton	Dr G. Hardwicke	R.S. Betty
1941	J. H. Killip	N. McInnes	C. N. Hirst	R.S. Betty
1942	J. H. Killip	J. Dexter	C. N. Hirst	R.S. Betty
1943	J. H. Killip	E. Swinbourne	E. Pye	R.S. Betty
1944	J. H. Killip	A. Hodge	Dr G. Hardwicke	R.S. Betty
1945	J. H. Killip	K. Cross	Dr G. Hardwicke	R.S. Betty
1946	J. H. Killip	P. Turner	Dr G. Hardwicke	R.S. Betty
1947	J. H. Killip	B. Thiering	Major D. J. Duffy	B.R. White
1948	J. H. Killip	N. Pearce	Major D. J. Duffy	B.R. White
1949	J. H. Killip	R. Morrow	A. R. Beveridge	B.R. White
1950	J. H. Killip	J. Agnew	A. R. Beveridge	B.R. White
1951	J. H. Killip	J. Thronett	K. C. Cameron	W.B. Nehl
1952	G. Barr	V. Littlewood	K. C. Cameron	W.B. Nehl
1953	G. Barr	M. Stuart	P. G. Saywell	A.G. Leroy
1954	G. Barr	C. Chamberlain	A. R. Callaway	T.W. Rushall
1955	K. J. Andrews	W. Summers	A. R. Callaway	T.W. Rushall
1956	K. J. Andrews	R. May	A. R. Callaway	T.W. Rushall
1957	K. J. Andrews	K. Rubie	Col D. J. Duffy	T.W. Rushall
1958	K. J. Andrews	P. R. Phillips	Col D. J. Duffy	T.W. Rushall
1959	K. J. Andrews	W. Young	Col D. J. Duffy	M.R. Wills
1960	K. J. Andrews	A. Cairns	A. Ferguson	M.R. Wills
1961	K. J. Andrews	J. Coleman	A. Ferguson	M.R. Wills
1962	K. J. Andrews	F. Conner	A. Ferguson	J.H. Levi
1963	K. J. Andrews	R. McKay	W. McMurray	J.H. Levi
1964	M. R. Callaghan	N. Stamell	W. McMurray	J.H. Levi
1965	M. R. Callaghan	N. Morgan	C. E. H. Rubie	W.F. Halliday
1966	M. R. Callaghan	J. Isaacs	C. E. H. Rubie	W.F. Halliday
1967	M. R. Callaghan	J. Isaacs	A. F. Deer	W.F. Halliday
1968	M. R. Callaghan	D. Luxford	A. F. Deer	R.A. Blomberg
1969	M. R. Callaghan	A. Tzannes	The Hon Sir G. Wallace	R.A. Blomberg
1970	M. R. Callaghan	J. Ehrlich	The Hon Sir G. Wallace	R.A. Blomberg
1971	M. R. Callaghan	D. Blomberg	Judge K. Torrington	R.H. Stracey
1972	M. R. Callaghan	R. Middleton	Judge K. Torrington	N.R. Frumar
1973	M. R. Callaghan	N.S. McGill	Sir B. Sugerman	N.R. Frumar
1974	G. J. Bradford	G. Hill	Sir B. Sugerman	N.R. Frumar

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1975	G. J. Bradford	N. Green	Prof. S. Livingstone	Dr P.A. Musgrove
1976	G. J. Bradford	S. Marquet	Prof. S. Livingstone	Dr P.A. Musgrove
1977	R. Outterside	B. Ramsay	Prof. S. Livingstone	Dr P.A. Musgrove
1978	R. Outterside	T. Musgrove	Brig. E. S. Swinbourne	Dr P.A. Musgrove
1979	R. Outterside	G. Anderson	Brig. E. S. Swinbourne	Prof C. Phipps
1980	R. Outterside	M. Wieland	Dr P. A. Musgrove	Prof C. Phipps
1981	R. Outterside	G. Warren	Dr P. A. Musgrove	Prof C. Phipps
1982	R. Outterside	G. Webb	B. H. Pyke	Prof C. Phipps
1983	R. Outterside	M. Aikman	B. H. Pyke	Prof C. Phipps
1984	R. Outterside	M. Adams	B. H. Pyke	T. Lynam
1985	R. Outterside	M. Ward	B. H. Pyke	T. Meakin
1986	R. Outterside	C. Lynam	Dr J. M. Challen	T. Meakin
1987	R. Outterside	T. Walker	Dr J. M. Challen	T. Meakin
1988	R. Outterside	A. Magro	B. H. Pyke	T. Meakin
1989	R. Outterside	C. Aitken	M. Aikman	T. Meakin
1990	R. Outterside	G. Main	M. Aikman	T. Meakin
1991	R. Outterside	A. Abrahams	R. Mitchell	V. Moschione
1992	R.J.Stratford	J. Isaacs	R. Mitchell	V. Moschione
1993	R.J.Stratford	S. Mohideen	MajGen J. Norrie	S. Kritzler
1994	R.J.Stratford	D. Eysers	MajGen J. Norrie	P. Whyte
1995	R.J.Stratford	A. Lamb	MajGen J. Norrie	P. Whyte
1996	R.J.Stratford	P. Lyons	MajGen J. Norrie	K. Loblay
1997	R.J.Stratford	K. Robinson	MajGen J. Norrie	K. Loblay
1998	R.J.Stratford	J. Stern	MajGen J. Norrie	J. Kaldor
1999	R.J.Stratford	A. Liu	N. Scudder	D. Briggs
2000	K.A.Jaggar	J.S. Boag	N. Scudder	D. Briggs
2001	K.A.Jaggar	N. Armstrong	J. Goddard	D. Briggs
2002	K.A.Jaggar	M. Nam	J. Goddard	D. Briggs
2003	K.A. Jaggar	H. James	J. Goddard	P. Girdler
2004	K.A. Jaggar	T. Miller	J. Goddard	P. Girdler
2005	K.A. Jaggar	D. Fonseca	M. Livingston	S. Brown
2006	K.A. Jaggar	A. Farrow-Palmer	M. Livingston	S. Brown
2007	K.A. Jaggar	M. Farhat	J. Waugh	S. Chan
2008	K.A. Jaggar	D. Vien	J. Waugh	S. Chan
2009	K.A. Jaggar	P. Desmond	J. Waugh	J. Connolly

[1] From 1884-1919 the dux was known as captain of the school.

[2] The prefect system was introduced in 1910.

From 1910 to 1919, the equivalent of the present School Captain was called the Senior Prefect.

[3] The title of Senior Prefect was changed to Captain in 1920.





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Back Row: M.Lalee, A.Yuan, W.Gong, J.Waring, B.Chen, R.Feng, G.Zhang, J.Lui, S.Cheng, R.Tan, N.Yang, S.Belle, S.Comninos, B.Zhou, V.Zhang, H.Feng, A.Zhang, S.Sethi, A.Shi, A.Ali, A.Chen, A.Lui, K.Luu.
Seventh Row: S.Lin, W.Wu, A.Cao, H.Lu, S.Liu, S.Noronha, S.Wang, B.Xie, W.Liu, S.Vimalanathan, W.Zhou, N.Kong, B.Truong, J.Garrett, A.He, J.Zhang, D.Sun, D.Feng, E.Yu, R.Ip, H.Ji, K.Lui.
Sixth Row: P.Sim, P.Stevens, A.Tran, S.Chung, M.Fung, Y.Man, A.Dao, A.Chen, J.Tang, C.Wang, H.Xu, S.Saleh, W.Lu, A.Shi, L.De Fonseca, S.Subramanian, W.Zhang, S.Tran, G.Qin, W.Tan, A.Hassan, D.Li, A.Hu.
Fifth Row: A.Rong, J.Leo, L.Lee, D.Tran, B.Hancox, E.Ou, J.Li, O.Long, G.Kwok, C.Chan, B.Vu, S.Gallagher, M.Xin, N.Hanson, R.Irwin, M.Yu, B.Guan, C.Ketkeo, J.Yu, A.Wang, J.Kwon, D.Evans.
Fourth Row: J.Ng, P.Gao, W.Du, B.Kwong, L.Chen, J.Huang, S.Wang, J.Lin, M.Zhang, C.Chen, G.Zhao, M.Hauser, E.Li, R.Li, J.Cooper, W.Zhuang, J.Zhang, P.Choi, R.Cheng, W.Yang, J.Chan.
Third Row: C.Zeng, B.Thai, R.Ly, R.Chin, K.Sunderasan, J.Ma, T.Du, K.Lau, M.Hughes, A.Kuang, C.Chen, T.Feng, B.Chen, A.Karahasan, A.Wong, M.Wu, B.Huynh, W.Zhou, D.Li, A.Li, R.Arulmurugan, J.Freiberg.
Second Row: R.Yi, A.Qi, S.Nagaraj, A.Bui, A.Zhang, A.Bao, J.Zhang, T.Chen, A.Shi, K.Liu, K.Chong, J.Ma, J.Huo, J.Jo, G.Farrington, G.Baker, C.Shi, J.Kuang, H.Gu, V.Zhang, J.Huang, R.Guo, H.Zhou.
Front Row: A.Xing, A.Cheng, E.Wang, T.Nguyen, N.Wang-Ly, S.Pham, J.Yu, D.Shao, A.Cheung, B.Kong, R.Rawnak, J.Tang, V.Yang, P.Lam, L.Chen, I.Marinov, B.How, K.Zhang, A.Tayeh, G.Liu, Y.Wong, J.Lane.



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Back Row: D.Shan, J.Lan, P.Horton, B.Lee, A.Clune, L.Brown, S.Higgins, M.Jones, J.Meaney, T.Peters, S.Merom, M.Kite, A.Kwok, M.Feng, C.Katsikaros, S.Binns.

Seventh Row: H.Li, Z.Dong, S.Ke, B.Diep, V.Ung, R.Shenoy, A.Krishnan, L.Png, S.Shimada, M.Osinski, T.Tran, K.McPherson, J.Tassell, B.Ougra, S.He, B.Yang, J.Wachsmann, D.Rooke, W.Thai, M.Gao, M.Yiu, J.Wong, A.Richards, N.Spoljaric.

Sixth Row: A.Hatle, J.Eriksson, A.Hopkins, Y.Cao, A.Taylor, R.Feng, A.Tran, F.Lee, T.Wilson, M.Lau, R.Mitra, S.Dong, C.Mak, R.Lau, W.Szet, J.Yang, S.Lee, D.Lo, J.Qiu, J.Chen, D.Shurapey, A.Yang, N.Street, A.Tsiaillis, S.Wan.

Fifth Row: J.Wang, D.Stojanovic, V.Lim, S.Villiappan, H.Lane, T.Burston, J.Young, C.Chen, J.Li, S.Jacob, J.Chow, D.Peng, A.Sharma, J.Chen, M.Ling, J.Nguyen, M.Kayes, G.Astafiev, A.Kwok, S.Zhang, E.Martini, P.Kurts, H.Richards, M.Mikha, N.Dimitropoulos, J.Ireland.

Fourth Row: W.Lin, W.Chan, V.Lam, G.Zhang, R.Lee, D.Lam, A.Li, T.Sui, M.Tong, N.Huang, N.Wong, D.Fan, A.Alam, S.Ponraj, J.Santoso, V.Lien, P.Hung, N.Abey Suriya, J.Byrnes, D.Hi, M.Zhang, B.Greenslade, V.Khou, W.Pan, W.Ma.

Third Row: J.Chan, R.Kashyap, D.Chau, T.Zhong, N.Lindeback, A.Tran, B.Lu, B.Lau, M.Chan, N.Vyas, D.Hu, K.Lim, J.Lieu, L.Teng, T.Nguyen, D.Vashist, W.Zhang, M.Tang, A.Xie, D.Nam, M.Nguyen, M.Wong, X.Quah, S.Burnham, R.Chen, C.Peng.

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Front Row: R.Huynh, I.Lim, S.Garofano, M.Dinh, D.Tran, S.Lei, M.Lucchitti, R.Ahmed, A.Nguyen, P.Manamperi, T.Choudhury, N.Ridges (Senior Prefect), P.Desmond (Captain), C.Chen (Vice Captain), B.Jiang, H.Yu, L.Tran, S.Chen, D.Lambert, C.Liu, K.Lo, J.Lee, T.Huda, V.Zhang, G.Cosman, S.Cheng.