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Editor's Comments

The 2012 Record documents the year beginning November 11 2011 [Remembrance Day] and ending November 10 2012. I hope that this year's edition is a true and accurate reflection of the intensely busy Sydney High life. It has been a revelation editing the Record over the past two years and a joy to read about the extraordinary range of activities and achievements over the year.

Teachers, students, parents and community representatives all contribute to the Record and I appreciate the care taken to thoughtfully reflect on the year or season. There are considerable tasks performed by a number of people whose assistance is critical to the success of the publication and I would like to thank them for their ongoing support and expertise. Mr Mark Gainford organised the taking of formal photographs and the incredible task of correctly identifying every student. Students Maurice

Lam and Kenneth Ho continued to demonstrate initiative and provide leadership in data collection and the editing of reports. Dr Jaggar and Ms Lynne Williams were fundamental to the accuracy and editing of the publication. Mr Dowdell, Mr Barris, Ms Northey and Ms Kearns assisted generously with records and advice. Ms Julie Eggleton offered her time, out of the blue, and assisted with the task of editing many student reports. School photographers Ethan Ou and Edward Zhang provided some stunning photos. I offer my apologies to other photographers whose photographs may have been used without due recognition. The efforts of the MICs of the sporting and co-curricular activities to ensure all groups complete a report were greatly appreciated. Finally, the professional and patient support of Graham Wye has been crucial to the success of this year's Record.

Jennifer May
Editor



Year 12 Farewell Assembly 2012

Good afternoon and welcome to parents, family, staff and students who have joined us to celebrate our Farewell Assembly for Year 12, 2012. The Year 2007 was a good year to join the High community. The High Junior School started, giving boys in Years 7-9 their own identity, Library, assembly time, leadership opportunities and additional welfare services. The on-site facilities for tennis, cricket, field events and basketball were in operation. Roll call became electronic. The Commonwealth gave you laptops in Year 9.

Many of the great achievements of the Class of 2012 have been acknowledged in the messages in the program. Please take time to read them. Without repeating the details of their string of victories, the great success of the basketball team over the last three years is due to the core of Year 12 boys who played in the team throughout, particularly Christian, Craig, Jasper and Daniel. Yujin led High to a Co-Premiership in rifle shooting, making a rare double GPS title for him. Scott followed up his GPS 200m win with a victory at CHS recently. Regaining the Hume Barbour Trophy for High was a great effort from Chris, Julian, Robert and Nicky. It looks at home again in the foyer.

Each year on this occasion I like to recognise and acknowledge the boys in Year 12 who have made a significant contribution to our sports program by representing the school in two seasons in their final year. I really appreciate their commitment to the school and admire their dedication to sport. This year there were 104 boys in Year 12 who played a GPS sport in two seasons. Those who represented High in GPS competition, first or second grade, deserve a special mention. The "Triple Firsts" for 2012 should be congratulated for their zealous support of High sport. They were: Adam Booth, Anton Brokman, Andrew Fong, Mark Iskandar, Ennes Mehmedbasic, Shaun Pak, Andreas Purcal, Scott Renzenbrink and Ben Wilcox. Well done also to our 'Double Firsts': David Andrews, Max Chien, Tom Connolly, Shaun Fletcher, Jasper Garay, Harry Heo, Daniel Jones, Max Jones, Jesse Moffat, Tim Montanaro, Jonathan Ren, Serag Saleh and Vincent Ye. In the "One-Two Club" were: Matthew Chan, Julian Edgton, Allen Fu, Alexander Hughes and Blake McGlenchy.

For five years now High has not attracted more than 29 boys in any Year 12 to represent their school in

two sports in GPS first and second grade in their final year at school. I mention this only because we really do need to build a stronger culture of participation amongst Year 12 boys at the highest level in the years ahead. I want to thank your leadership team – Ben, Harry and Max for representing and leading your cohort well.

Each year on this occasion I offer some parting observations about life after school and your preparation for it. In the powerful opening scene of Shakespeare's *King Lear*, the King engages in a self-indulgent, self-destructive love test with his three daughters, before dividing his kingdom among them as dowries and retiring. Lear's first two daughters, Goneril and Regan, play the game, outdoing each other in professed love for their father. Cordelia, the youngest, makes a statement of love that is dutiful, understated but unpalatable to her egocentric father. She is disinherited and the Duke of Kent, Lear's loyal adviser, is banished for defending her. There are some catchy lines from both of them about flattery and duty. Kent stands up to Lear, saying: "Think'st thou that duty shall have dread to speak / When power to flattery bows? To plainness honour's bound / When majesty stoops to folly". He leaves to "shape his old course in a country new". Cordelia defends herself by explaining that she just obeys, honours and loves her father as she should." If for I want that glib and oily art / To speak and purpose not, since what I well intend, / I'll do't before I speak..." Lear remains adamant and calls for the visiting French suitors to decide her fate. The King of France tries to marry off Cordelia to the Duke of Burgundy but "respect and fortunes are his love" and he won't take on the dowry-deprived, feisty Cordelia; nor does she want him. The King of France is smitten and takes her on the rebound. "Tis strange that from their cold'st neglect / My love should kindle to inflamed respect." Before being led away by the King of France, Cordelia gives her sisters a serve: "Time shall unfold what plighted cunning hides, / Who covert faults at last with shame derides". As you might imagine, Lear's retirement plan did not work out.

Literature study is a lifelong pleasure, with abiding and contemporary lessons for us all. As you leave High, I hope you have developed as young men who have firm values and sound judgement. I hope you continue to enjoy and learn from literature. Don't put yourselves into positions where your ego

or your positional power is your last refuge. Be sensitive to flattery and excessive praise. Look beneath the 'folds of favour' offered by others for ulterior motives. Speak plainly and with fortitude. Always try to speak out when it is right to do so, irrespective of the consequences. Trust your judgement and stick by it. Always try to do what you say you are going to do. Try to under promise and over perform. Above all, try to understand yourself and be true to your character, unlike Lear who "hath ever but slenderly known himself".

I wish you all success at the HSC and in your lives thereafter. It has been a pleasure and a privilege to be your Principal. Good luck to you all!

Dr KA Jaggar, Principal

School Captain's Address

Good afternoon Dr Jaggar, parents and most importantly departing Year 12s.

Whilst writing this, I struggled to imagine how I could encapsulate the experiences of the last six years in so few words. It is impossible to describe the highs and lows that we have been through together at this great school, the rapid change we have undergone. Six years ago, barely any of the boys here knew each other. Now it is hard to imagine life without the guys around you, life without seeing these boys six days a week. Six years ago, the 180 boys who were clapped into the great hall were very different to the 206 men who leave today. This school has instilled lifelong lessons that are so much more important than the curriculum. Over the past six years, bonds have been formed that will last forever. Through thick and thin, we have been there for each other, growing not only as individuals but also as a cohort.

So, what should we feel when leaving this school which has nurtured us for the last six years? Happiness, that six of the most intense years of our lives are coming to an end and that our 13 years of schooling are finally at a close? Sadness, that six of the best years of our lives are coming to an end and that nothing we can do will bring them back? Apprehension, of what is to come, of the world outside of the routine and comfort of school life? It is with a mixture of these emotions, and many more, that we bid farewell to our home away from home. One feeling we can be sure of though is that when we reflect upon our time at High for years to come, we will rejoice in the fact that these years happened at all.

Many of us may wish for one more day at school, one more game at Mackay or even just one more lunch time with your mates. But it is away from the comfort of this school and everything it has given us that I know our year will flourish. There is only so much you can achieve in one place before its confines can no longer hold the ambitions and potential for bigger and better things. This is true of this school and the amazing starting block it has provided us to expand our horizons and embrace the possibilities now open to us, however daunting they may seem. But, having to move on is a part of life that is not only necessary but it also keeps it exciting. So although the world outside of the comforting blue and brown may seem intimidating, I think deep down all of us know that it is time to move on and we want to share all we have learnt with the wider world. It is this drive, this desire that the school has instilled in us with which we will leave our mark on the world.

Of course, none of this would've been possible without the amazing support of this entire school community. So to the teachers, the office ladies, the canteen ladies, librarians, groundkeepers, cleaners, coaches and everybody else who has helped us on this journey, on behalf of the year of 2012, I thank you. To our year advisers Ms Gilmore and Ms Berger who have been there the whole journey I extend a very special thank you. And to our parents who have supported us for these years, thank you so much.

Finally, to the boys. I would like to thank you for what you have made our time at this school. We have watched each other grow and it is in this experience that we have created lifelong bonds and friendships. The success of this school isn't defined by the marks it achieves or by the sportsmen it creates; it is defined by the men it produces. All of what I have said would be nothing if it weren't for the guys who have been through it all with you. The pain and stress of exams, the devastation of losing a game by a point, the hours spent on buses, the joy of beating Grammar and the times where you are laughing so hard with your mates you can't breathe. It is these times that we will remember for the rest of our lives and although these are the days we will remember, there have been so many more which will fade with age. So for all the memories and so much more, for the past six years and for making this time so special, I thank you.

Ben Wilcox



Prefects

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SPEECH NIGHT

and

128th ANNUAL PRIZE GIVING

Principal's Address

Class of 2011, special guest Major-General Smith AO (retired), distinguished guests, prize winners, parents staff and families, welcome to High's 128th Presentation Night.

The achievements of High boys in 2011 were approximately sensational. At the 2011 HSC High was ranked 4th on the league table on the back of an outstanding 118 band 6 results in Advanced English, some highest ever mathematics means and great strengths in chemistry. Dennis Kim, Austin Ly, Jeffrey Tang and Max Wei all earned maximum ATARS of 99.95. It appears that 57 boys were ranked at 99 or higher and 89% of the cohort scored 90 ATAR or better. The ATAR average for 207 students was 94.57, a great result, particularly in the year that the first Year 9 class of 2008 graduated. The key to our all round success was collaboration – by teachers, by students, by parents.

Individual HSC results inside the top ten in the state were: Austin Ly first in physics, Dennis Kim 7th and also Dennis was 5th in chemistry. Derek Wei, 4th in Engineering Studies, Samuel Beston and Jeffrey Tang, top ten in Latin Continuers and also Latin extension for Samuel. There were 7 ENCORE nominations for music and one for ARTEXPRESS.

Declan Gorey was equal first in the UNSW Mathematics Competition and went on to win a silver medal at the Mathematics Olympiad in Amsterdam. Jamieson Thai won a national prize in the UNSW Economics Competition. In the UNSW business studies competition, Jonathan Adhika and Kenny Lau received state prizes. High was ranked first in Australia in the National Geographic Competition for the third time in four years. Ashwin Rudder and Dawen Shi were placed equal first in Australia. Chris Chiam won the Classical Greek reading competition. Nakhul Baghwat won the Trinity Grammar Annual Speaking Competition.

In debating the Karl Cramp PDC competition was

won by High for the 14th time but the boys were also GPS second grade champions – a great and rare double. Our chess teams won the Senior and Intermediate divisions of the NSW Interschool competition. Our team won the GPS Championship. The open team finished 4th in the Australian Schools Championship.

The year was important for our social justice programs. Besides the \$117k in money raised, our boys involved themselves personally in many worthwhile charitable organisations and awareness raising projects. Their achievements have raised the profile of the school in the wider community.

The standout sporting team for 2011 was Open basketball. They won a GPS Premiership, the CHS Knockout again, the NSW All Schools, the Raschke Cup again and backed up to defend successfully the Australian Schools Championship. Our U15 basketball team won the CHS Knockout. Our Open Volleyball team took out the NSW All Schools Tournament but lost a close 5-setter to Kelso at the CHS Knockout Final. The U16 team won at All Schools and won Division 2 at the national championships in Melbourne.

High boys earned wonderful individual honours in 2011. Chris Morrow won a CHS Blue for Volleyball, toured Thailand with the Australian U19 Volleyball team and won a place in the AIS. Andrija Dumovic toured to Croatia in the U19 Australian basketball team and along with Emmett Naar was selected as an AIS athlete. Lloyd Perris was selected to the AIS for AFL. Amandeep Dhaliwal was selected in the Australian All Stars Volleyball team. Christian Jurlina and Daniel Jones were selected in the CIS basketball team. Combined GPS representatives for football were: Nakul Baghwat, Samuel Lane and Arjun Puneekar. Arman Abdollahi and Patrick Rynsaardt made the combined GPS tennis team. Oliver Meroni and Michael Phung were chosen in the CHS cricket

team. Congratulations to all our high achievers!

I would like to express my thanks to all our parents who are leaving us tonight and who helped the school in its activities. Without your contributions High could not do what it does. In particular, I would like to thank Fabienne and Charles Ovadia who have served the school so energetically for twelve years – contributing to the P & C, the Canteen Committee, School Council, Big Night Out, rowing, rugby, Parent Mentors and the School Selection Committee. David and Katrina Morrow contributed consistently to athletics, basketball and the School Canteen. Anita Bezjak helped in rowing significantly. Deborah Cassells was a stalwart in the debating program and the P & C.

In honour of the Class of 2011's unprecedented academic, co-curricular and community service achievements, I would like to conclude by posing a few of the big questions that will concern many of you, particularly those who rise to become influential in business, law or public policy. The French poet, Paul Valéry, wrote: "the trouble with our times is that the future is not what it used to be". Once there was a societal comfort that the next generation would be guided by the same values, governed by the same institutions and operate in the same economic and social environment, as did the present generation. In the 21st century, the problem is not just unpredictability, it is more like a paradigm shift to uncertainty. Changes everywhere are making the future very much unlike what it was. You will have to help to redefine the context of that future.

What contribution will you make towards living on a fragile, crowded and warming planet? How will you grapple with the problems of global sustainability – ecologically, economically or socio-politically? How will you balance the need for energy, against the problems created by its extraction, such as the coal seam gas mining and north-west shelf gas development controversies. As biomedicine advances you all can expect to live very long lives. What will your attitude be towards bioethical issues surrounding IVF experimentation and designer babies, genetic engineering, organ transplanting or human cloning? Will you work in a modified legal system where universality of application gives way to in a circumscribed pluralism? Will there evolve different legal responses for people of varying cultural, religious and legal traditions?

Geopolitically, you will live through the shift of



The Principal and Dennis Kim Dux aeq

power from West back to East as the sheer size and energy of China's economy starts to dominate world trade, overtaking the USA as it struggles with obsolescence and social fracturing caused by the decline of traditional manufacturing in a new world economy. With globalisation of communication via personal devices, will the world move closer to implementing the Universal Declaration of Human Rights? Will democracy be the only form of government on the planet by the end of this century? At home, how will you all cope with the marginalisation of Parliament by Executive government and the substitution of spin for debate about policies, legislation and administrative decisions?

As you go forward from High to tertiary institutions and the world of work we are confident that the intended and unintended curriculum here has equipped you to thrive in a problematic future. We know you will have the insights and training to cope with the challenges and opportunities of the 21st century. Thank you and your families for your contributions to our great school and its traditions. Like a coral reef they grow as a result of the numerous accretions by individuals.

Congratulations to all prize winners.

Address by Major General Michael G Smith AO (Ret'd)

It is a great honour and a privilege to be invited back to my Alma Mater for this year's Speech Night and Prize Giving. I thank the Principal, Dr Kim Jaggar, for his kind invitation, and I would like to congratulate all the prizewinners on their achievements – but more about that in a moment.

I have spoken in many countries, and to many audiences, on topics broadly related to national (and international) security and development. But I can tell you, quite sincerely, that nothing gives me greater pleasure than to return to where it all began for me, here in this Great Hall at Sydney High, so many years ago.

The other day I told my elderly and wise mother that I would be joining you tonight. Mum, who turns 105 in September and who bore me rather late in life, reminded me that at my graduation the address was given by Sir Roden Cutler VC, KCMG, KCVO, CBE, a true war hero, an Old Boy of Sydney High, and the longest serving Governor of NSW. It is ten years today since Sir Roden's death, and I am particularly pleased that we are honoured to have Lady Cutler with us tonight. Mum said that she 'could have listened to Sir Roden all night, he was just so good'. I told my mother that I could not replicate Sir Roden in any way. And I want to assure you all (and particularly the student body) that my remarks will be far briefer than Sir Roden's in 1967.

I visited the school last week and, after meeting with the Principal, I meandered for a while around the school grounds. (I am sorry that I did not ask for your approval to do so Dr Jaggar, but I have learnt in life that if you really want to do something then it is often more prudent to be prepared, if necessary, to seek forgiveness in arrears rather than permission in advance.) Due to my nomadic lifestyle in the Army I have had few opportunities to visit the school, so the experience was even more meaningful for me. In fact, my long absence from Sydney after leaving school meant that none of our three sons had the opportunity of following in their father's footsteps at Sydney High, a lingering regret that I must confess to. In walking around the school last week I noticed that some things had changed – some new buildings, a renovated gymnasium, and that the rickety fence separating the Girls' School had been removed – but fundamentally the school was very much as I remembered it, albeit with a much smaller



Major General Michael G Smith AO (Ret'd)

parade ground. The classes and activities that I witnessed did not seem very different from those that I had attended (other than digital enhancement of course), and some of the teachers who scurried-by seemed to express that same level of professional stress that has been inflicted unwittingly by students for generations.

I felt very much at home at Sydney Boys High School last week, indeed as I do this evening, and as I certainly did during my time as a student. For me, a kid who came from a working class family in the then remote suburb of Malabar, Sydney High provided a nurturing ground of exceptional opportunities. I was always early to school and usually quite late home – partly, I expect, so that I had an excuse to limit the many chores that I was assigned in my family's struggling corner store. The opportunities presented at High were endless and I was inspired. For me the academics were stimulating (although I struggled with maths), the sport fantastic, the cadet corps exciting, the debating exhilarating, and the mix of nationalities, socio-economic groups and religions truly enlightening. Foolishly, as a young student I could not see the value in learning French – a fact that I have since deeply regretted in my

many dealings with the United Nations – and I did not then have any enthusiasm to pursue music, which I also later regretted. Music and language, as I have discovered, are important in understanding cultures and in bridging the divisions, misperceptions, ignorance and bias that can exist between people and communities. Sport has much the same effect for that matter.

As a young and impressionable student, and apart from my misgivings with French and Music, I generally appreciated the opportunities that Sydney High offered. After a couple of years I could not help but notice that none of my former primary school peers who had attended the newly opened local high school had any ambition to go beyond 4th Form, or what is now called Year 10. By comparison, almost all of my Sydney High classmates were totally committed to matriculation and studies and professions beyond. In my case, and guided very much by my father's vision, I knew that I had to achieve a good pass at the Higher School Certificate if I was to attain a scholarship to attend the Royal Military College, Duntroon. Having such a goal at such a young age helped me immensely. I am not certain that young people today have such clear and simple goals as I did, but speaking personally I have always found 'goal setting' to be important, and I think I am still doing it. Incidentally, in my visits to development projects in poorer countries I am always motivated by the commitment of young people to learn and improve their and their family's lives. They have modest and achievable goals, and their motivation always inspires me.

We live in uncertain times, and in a period of exponential change. Traditional economic and security models are being challenged and found wanting. Globalisation and free trade, once the darlings of market economies, are experiencing resistance within domestic jurisdictions as a global recession and unemployment bites harder. As we have seen with the Arab spring in North Africa last year and now in the Middle East, the technological revolution is empowering the underprivileged and those previously unheard. The economies of the United States, Europe and Great Britain are in relative decline, while those of China, India and other Asian countries are ascending. Australia's future now rests in the Asia-Pacific region, but we have doubts that our economy is sufficiently balanced and robust to be more than a large quarry. The changes we are experiencing will continue,

impacting on most professions and work streams. The future will reflect constant change and uncertainty as new businesses and work patterns continue to emerge.

In this environment Sydney High will need to continue to adapt to maintain its status and prepare leaders for tomorrow's uncertain future. As both a selective state school, and as part of the GPS fraternity, Sydney High occupies a unique and privileged position. The school boasts an enviable record of achievement. Those of us who come through this school should not take this privilege for granted. I hope that like me, you too in the years ahead will proudly acclaim the benefits you gained from your time at Sydney Boys' High School.

Let me return to where I started: by congratulating the prizewinners and, as is expected of guest speakers on such occasions, to offer a few nuggets that might help guide you in the years ahead. Shortly, the prizewinners will be acknowledged and recorded in this year's edition of the Record – this is a significant achievement and it is right and proper that a school of such excellence should acknowledge its high achievers. But in reality you are all prizewinners, it is just that some of you might not know this yet. Your experiences at Sydney High will



Lady Cutler, Shuming Wang, and Vince Del Zio with the Sir Roden and Lady Cutler Foundation Inc. Scholarship

help guide you through life: they will shape your careers, they will strengthen your commitment to your own family, and they will assist you in contributing to the resilience of our national and international society.

On your journey you will need to stay true to some core values – these are the qualities that will help guide you in your decision-making through life, both in triumph and travail.

- The first is 'confidence': be confident that you can contribute in a positive way. Don't squander your expertise and talents. Set achievable goals. Be committed, bold, innovative and decisive in your actions, but always admit and learn from your mistakes along the way.
- The second is 'humility': respect others and be willing to learn from them. Develop your judgement. Support your colleagues. Become an excellent listener, always being prepared to learn and develop yourself. Cherish your successes, but you will learn more from your near misses and failures. And always remember that you are only as good as your next gig: your past achievements do not entitle you to future success or privilege – today's rooster can easily become tomorrow's feather duster, a lesson that our

major prizewinners tonight should note carefully.

- The third value is 'teamwork': you can't know and do everything yourself. A perfect musician needs an orchestra, a conductor and an audience. Display your individual talents to the fullest, but always appreciate that you are part of a team – something bigger and more important than just you.
- And a final attribute is 'humour'. If you don't have a good sense of humour, then surround yourself or employ those who do. Things will go wrong, and when they do you need a sense of humour to help put things in perspective and move on.

These values are not original, but they have helped guide me along the way. In essence I believe that most of them (with the possible exception of humour) are reflected in our school's motto: Veritate et Virtute, Truth and Courage. So above all else, always be truthful, and always display physical and moral courage in what you do. Our school's motto has always provided me guidance and strength, and it still does.

I wish you all the very best for your bright and challenging futures. Thank you for the opportunity to share some time with you this evening. It has meant a great deal to me, and I hope it has been useful to you as well.



ACADEMIC AND CO-CURRICULAR AWARDS

HSC

The Headmaster's Prize and Warnecke Trophy for DUX (aeq)	Dennis Kim
The G C Saxby Prize for Mathematics Extension 2 (sponsored by the OBU)	
Mathematics Extension 1	
The Henry F Halloran Diamond Jubilee Prize for Chemistry	
The University of NSW Prize for Mathematics and Statistics	
The Headmaster's Prize and Warnecke Trophy for DUX (aeq)	Austin Ly
Advanced English	
The Alan C Corner Prize for Physics	
Prize for Third	Max Wei
History Extension	Marcell Rozsa
The H C Fisk Prize for Ancient History	
The Norman Save Memorial Prize for History Performance (sponsored by the OBU)	
The Headmaster's Award for Achievement in the Arts	
The A B Piddington Prize for English Literature	Andrew Gaffney
The Peter Walker Award for English Literature	
The Lionel Foucaud Prize for French Extension	Eric Ovadia
The Sir Earle Page Prize for French	
Music 2	Ennes Mehmedbasic
The Headmaster's Award for Outstanding Achievement in the Arts	
Music Extension	Michael Phung
The Headmaster's Award for Achievement in the Arts	
Latin (Extension)	Samuel Beston
The Dr F W Doak Prize for Latin	
Software Design & Development	Wen Jia Liu
The Headmaster's Award for Achievement in the Arts	
The Dr Charles Winston Prize for Geography (sponsored by the OBU)	Isnad Zaman
The John Henry Fraser Prize for Studies of Religion – Unit 1	
Chinese (Continuers)	Yale Wong
The Paul Griffiths Prize for Economics	
The Margaret Richardson Prize for English Extension 2	Jonson Wang
English Extension 1	Gabriel Garayalde
Legal Studies	David Chan
Business Studies	Kevin Krahe
Mathematics (2 unit)	Gary Liang
The Class of 1937 Prize for Visual Arts	Leo Lou
Chinese (Extension)	Henry Lu
The Sir Earle Page Prize for German	Sean Martin

The John Henry Fraser Studies of Religion Prize – 2 Unit	Cameron Morrison
The Frank S Bradhurst Prize for Biology	Tahmid Shahriyar
The Chancellor's Prize for Classical Greek (sponsored by the OBU)	David Wang
The M G Speedy Prize for Engineering Studies	Derek Wei
Personal Development, Health and Physical Education	Martin Yoon
The Clarrie Martin Memorial Prize for Modern History	Dong Kuen Oh
The Headmaster's Award for Outstanding Achievement in the Arts	Joseph Lui
Debating Award	Ashwin Rudder
The Headmaster's Award for Achievement in the Arts	Jesse Chen, Daryl Fong, Charles Wu

PRELIMINARY

The Keith C Cameron Memorial Prize for DUX (sponsored by the OBU)	Ankur Paul
The C W Wicks Prize for Physics	
The J Manchester Prize for Biology	
The K Saxby Prize for Mathematics	
The P & C Prize for Second	William Ho
The Peter Walker Award for English Literature	
Latin	
Prize for Third	Gary Liang
Mathematics Extension 1	
The University of NSW School of Economics Prize for Economics	
Classical Greek	Christopher Chiam
English Advanced	
Debating Award	
Geography	Ming Chin
Studies of Religion	Julian Edgtton
Chinese (Continuers)	Shi Feng
Drama	Sam Marques
Business Studies	Anup Kaluve
The F A Elgar Prize for English Extension	Kevin Krahe
Music 1	Jason Lam
Music 2	Jaan Pallandi
Personal Development, Health and Physical Education	Gianmarco De Nigris
The Margaret Richardson Prize for Visual Arts	Matthew McDonald
Ancient History	Brian Lam
The SHOB Rugby Club Prize for Chemistry (sponsored by the OBU)	Kenny Lau
Design & Technology	Alexander Nguyen

Legal Studies	Siddharth Sethi
Modern History	Safat Sufian
The F A Elgar Prize for French	Gavin Sutton
Software Design & Development	Yujin Wu
Engineering Science	Thomas Zhang
German	Michail Schwarz
Information Processing and Technology	Jeffrey Yang

YEAR 10

The Sir Frederick Jordan Memorial Prize for DUX (sponsored by the OBU)	Dominic Mah
The University of Sydney Year 10 Academic Excellence Award (2nd in Year 10)	Safat Sufian
The Edgar Bembrick Memorial Prize for Latin	
The P & C Prize for Third	Ian Li
Mathematics	Eric Xu
Geography	John Zhang
The H A Coss Prize for English	Victor Chew
Commerce	Jisoo Chung
The George Hillary Smith QC Prize for French	Denny Dien
The Howard Rubie Prize for Film Making (Advanced)	Sherman Du
Visual Arts	Marcus James
German	Wilber Koslowski
Visual Design	River Le
Design & Technology	Jonathan Lee
Science	Edwin Li
Architecture & Engineering Drawing	Elbert Ly
History	Jaan Pallandi
Chinese	Jeff Peng
Personal Development, Health and Physical Education	Marco Stojanovik
Drama	Andrew Wei
Music	Edric Wang
The A H Pelham Prize for Classical Greek (sponsored by the OBU)	Timothy Collier
The Peter Walker Award for English Literature	Jonathan Clements-Lendrum
Debating Award	Connor Robinson
Film (Beginners)	Ryan Dewan

YEAR 9

The J H Killip Prize for DUX	Henry Feng
The Associate Professor Charles Grimshaw Prize for History	
Commerce	
Geography	
The P & C Prize for Second	William Wu
The Jeanette Reay-Young Prize for Latin	
The Phillip Seymour Prize for Third	Aaron Hassan
Science	Gideon Kwok
Visual Arts	
The R K Levis Prize for English	Michael Sawang
The Peter Walker Award for English Literature	
The Macquarie University Prize for Academic Achievement	Samuel Pham
Music	Leighton Chen
French	Philip Lam
Architecture and Engineering Drawing	Darren Li
Chinese	Glandon Zheng
Drama	Wei Li Zhuang
Mathematics	Nathan Wang-Ly
German	Anes Karahasan
Design & Technology	David Evans
The Howard Rubie Prize for Film Making	Eugene Lee
Personal Development, Health and Physical Education	Mitchell Flynn
Debating Award	Edric Wang

YEAR 8

The F A Elgar Prize for DUX	Luke Hoad
Design & Technology	
The P & C Prize for Second	Adilmorad Nadir
The Doris M Gray Prize for Third	Philip Mai
Music	
English	Kevin Liang
German	
Debating Award	
Classical Greek	Vishnu Avudainayagam
Visual Arts	
Latin	Oliver Tseu-Tjoa
French	Dexter Gordon

Geography	James Chee
Science	Ian Lai
Chinese	Richard Hao
History	Alex Wong
Mathematics	Leonard Mah
Personal Development, Health and Physical Education	James Tinker
The Peter Walker Award for English Literature	Edward Wu

YEAR 7

The Gordon Barr Memorial Prize for DUX (sponsored by the OBU)	Aidin Karahasan
German	
English	
French	
The P & C Prize for Second	David Kim
The Doris M Gray Prize for Third	Stuart Benjamin
Visual Arts	
Geography	Richard Ding
History	
Mathematics	Anthony Rusli
Design & Technology	Daniel Xue
Music	Eddie Belokopytov
Latin	Stratton Vakirtzis
Personal Development, Health and Physical Education	Nafis Rahman
Chinese	Ryan Sun
Science	Rafael Ng
The Peter Walker Award for English Literature	Jaeco Agawin
Debating Award	Eli Hall

AWARDS OF HONOUR AND DISTINCTION

The Sir Roden & Lady Cutler Foundation Inc. Scholarship	Shuming Wang
Junior Prize for Public Speaking	Lokesh Sharma
Special Prize for Services to the School	Ishmam Bari, Andrew Hau, Tahmid Shahriyar, William Shao
<i>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.</i>	
Special Staff Prize	Yale Wong
<i>Awarded to a Year 12 student for the consistent generous sacrifice of time and invaluable contribution to the School.</i>	
The 1958 Merit Award	Samuel Beston
<i>Awarded to a Year 12 student in just recognition of his sound character and overall performance in studies, sport and other activities.</i>	

The Le Prix Roger Peyrefitte

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

The 1977 Year 12 Prize for Excellence

Kevin Qian

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

The Arch Ferguson Prize (sponsored by the OBU)

(Year 8 Not Awarded), Nathan Sutton (Year 9)

Eamon Kelly (Year 10), Julian Edgtton (Year 11), Sean Martin (Year 12)

Awarded to sons, grandsons, brothers of Old Boys in Years 8-12 for academic achievements and services to the School.

The Class of 1991 Prize

Timothy Gollan

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

Anthony Chung

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

The Deputy Principals' Prize

Declan Gorey, Christopher Morrow

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

The Geoff Toakley Prize for Excellence in Chess

Dawen Shi

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

The H & J Charles Prize

Sam Marques

Awarded to a senior student for outstanding performance in a Musical Production.

The J & E Saxby Bequest

Kin Pan

Awarded to a Year 10 boy who has shown diligence in his studies, has participated in school activities and who will benefit from the financial assistance provided.

The J W Gibbes Junior Prize (sponsored by the OBU)

William Wu

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 (sponsored by the OBU)

Ryan Gu

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 (sponsored by the OBU)

Cameron Morrison

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

The John Waterhouse Prize (sponsored by the OBU)

Nakul Bhagwat

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

Jonah Petrie

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 Robert Outterside Prize

Leon Li

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

The Lennie Bassar Award for Scientific Initiative

Maaz Rahman

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 (sponsored by the OBU)	Andrew Gaffney
<i>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'.</i>	
The P & C Award for Outstanding Contribution to the Senior Concert Band	Marcell Rozsa
The P & C Literary Writing Competition – Junior Poetry	Daniel Yam
The P & C Literary Writing Competition – Junior Prose	Oliver Lethbridge
The P & C Literary Writing Competition – Senior Prose	Christopher Chiam
The P & C Prize for Outstanding Contribution to Drama	Khushaal Vyas
The Reuben F Scarf Memorial Prize	Lee Ming
<i>Awarded for consistent effort and desire to improve</i>	
The S & P Tzannes Prize	Eli Hall
<i>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.</i>	
The SBHS Best All Rounder Award	Eric Ovadia
<i>This prize is presented 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.</i>	
The Senior Prize for Creativity	Joseph Lui
<i>Awarded to a Year 12 student in recognition of the outstanding creativity and risk taking evident in their art work.</i>	
The University of NSW Computing Prize for Excellence	Wen Jia Liu, Jiatong Zhou
<i>Awarded to a Year 12 student who is passionate about computing, possesses programming initiative and has demonstrated academic excellence in Software Design and Development and Mathematics Extension 2.</i>	
The University of NSW Science Award	Kumudika Gunaratne
<i>Awarded to a high performing Year 12 student who will go on to undertake a Bachelor of Science (Advanced), Bachelor of Science (Advanced Mathematics) or a Bachelor of Science program at UNSW.</i>	
The Phillip Day Memorial Scholarship	Adam Booth
The Brian Allsop Memorial Prize	Ray Fang
<i>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.</i>	
The Captain John Fittler Memorial Award	Brendan Leo
<i>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.</i>	
The Stephen Halliday Memorial Prize	Ned Anson
<i>For High spirit; leadership and commitment to sport throughout Years 7 to 9; contribution to community and academic proficiency.</i>	
The Phil Ainsworth Memorial Prize	Samir Kinger
<i>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.</i>	

The Ross Miller Memorial Award

Minghao Wu

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 J M and W G Forsyth Memorial Prize

Eugene Lee

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

Patrick Krakovsky

Awarded to a Year 11 student for popularity, general character and general proficiency in School and sport.

The Oswald Chapman Memorial Prize

Max Wei

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

Michael Phung

To honour a Year 12 student who has distinguished himself throughout his School career by outstanding achievement and contribution to the School.

The Michael Goodwin Memorial Prize

David Chan

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

The Mitchell A Seow Memorial Prize

David Wang

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 Carol Hardy Memorial Prize

Awarded to a senior student for his contribution to music and other aspects of school life.

SYDNEY HIGH CADET UNIT

Most Efficient Cadet

Tom Du

Most Efficient Junior NCO

Dominic Tran

Most Efficient Senior NCO

Nicholas Ooi

The Colonel Duffy Sword of Honour for Most Efficient CUO (sponsored by the OBU)

Andrew Gong

The Major General James Norrie Memorial Prize

Brendan Leo

Awarded to a member of the cadet unit who demonstrates the highest competency in military skills.

The Australian Defence Leadership and Teamwork Award

Nakul Bhagwat (Year 12)

Julian Edgton (Year 11)

Kin Pan (Year 10)

STUDENT AWARD SCHEME

The Regional Director's Award for Student Participation Samuel Beston, Michael Phung, Nakul Bhagwat, Ashwin Rudder, Isaac Eveleigh, David Wang, Eric Ovadia, Michael Wong, George Panas, Yale Wong

The School Trophy

Samuel Beston, Ennes Mehmedbasic, Nakul Bhagwat, Christopher Morrow
Ryan Caetano, Eric Ovadia, Kit Man Cheng, George Panas, Ming Chin, Pasan Pannila
Shimon Danziger, Jonah Petrie, Isaac Eveleigh, Michael Phung, Andrew Fong, Shubash Quazi
Andrew Gaffney, Ashwin Rudder, Gabriel Garayalde, William Shao, Timothy Gollan, Henry Sit
Andrew Gong, Krishan Sivayogaran, Declan Gorey, Jeffrey Tang, Kumudika Gunaratne
David Wang, Harry Heo, Max Wei, Dennis Kim, Ben Wilcox, Samir Kinger, Michael Wong
Samuel Lane, Yale Wong, Henry Lu, Anthony Xu, Jerry Zhou

The School Plaque Botong Cheng, Ryan McDonald, Anthony Chung, Carl Pan, Cornelius Do,
Marcell Rozsa, Ryan Gu, Sangeeth Subramaniam, Leon Li, Peter Tran, Allen Liao, Isnad Zaman

SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS

The A C McKibbin Memorial Trophy Jesse Moffat

*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 A M Eedy Cup for 100m Athletics Champion Scott Renzenbrink

The Alan Kippax Trophy for Rugby Leon Li

Awarded to the most outstanding player in the First XV.

The Claude Tressider Trophy for 100m Breaststroke Max Chien

The David Brunton Gibb Prize for Soccer Nakul Bhagwat

Awarded to the best and fairest First XI Football player.

The 'Doc' Bentivoglio Memorial Prize Steve Comninos

*Awarded to a member of the Junior School for outstanding performance
and sportsmanship in Rugby and Rowing.*

The Frank Albert Cup for Senior Athletics Champion Christopher Morrow

Awarded to the senior athletics champion.

The GPS of NSW OBU Council Prize Brendan Hancock

*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 Ryan Caetano

*(sponsored by the OBU) 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 Adam Booth

The Peter Cady Trophy for Rowing Jonah Petrie

The Rifle Club Championship Cup Ryan Woo

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

The Tom Rushall Prize for Participation and Service to Sport Michael Phung

For participation in and service to sport.

The UNSW Cricket Club Batting Award Jesse Moffat

Special Cricket Trophy for Fielding Oliver Meroni

The W W Ivo Wyatt Memorial Trophy for Senior Swimming Andrew Ye

The Warrick Segal Memorial Prize for Sportsmanship and Fellowship Nakul Bhagwat

Awarded to the Captain of the First XI Football team.

The William Soothill Memorial Trophy for Basketball Emmett Naar

Most Improved Rower Andreas Purcal

Outstanding Contribution to Rowing Eric Ovadia

Ray Smee Water Polo Trophy Brendan Hancock

Senior Tennis Champion

Arman Abdollahi

The SGHS Cup for Games and Sportsmanship

Christopher Morrow

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

The G C Saxby Shield for House Competition

Fairland

SWIMMING CHAMPIONS

Open	Max Chien	14 years	Michael Sawang
16 years	Shaun Pak	13 years	Kazuo Nakamura
15 years	Eugene Lee	12 years	Jason Qiu

ATHLETICS CHAMPIONS

Open	Christopher Morrow	14 years	Joshua Leo
16 years	Patrick Krakovsky	13 years	Bovan Lin
15 years	Eugene Lee	12 years	Nafis Rahman

CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONS

Open	Francis Torok	14 years	Luke Hoad
17 years	Adam Booth	13 years	James Tinker
16 years	Jonathan Clements-Lendrum	12 years	Nafis Rahman
15 years	Anton Brokman		

SPORTS BLUES

Basketball	Jasper Garay, Christian Jurlina, Eamon Kelly, Craig Moller, David Nguyen, Lloyd Perris		
Football	Nakul Bhagwat, Brendan Hancock, Arjun Puneekar		
Rifle Shooting	Wilbert Wu		
Tennis	George Panas, Patrick Rynsaardt, Frank Zhang		
Volleyball	Amandeep Dhaliwal		
Water Polo	Brendan Hancock		



Remembrance Day Assembly



Robert Sternhill, Adam Ceh, Ben Wilcox, Eric Li, Tom Connolly, Alex Hughes and Ms Rachel Powell Head Teacher of History

ANZAC Day Assembly

Distinguished guests, Old Boys, staff and students, welcome to High's Senior School Anzac Day Assembly. It is great to be able to celebrate the occasion so close to Anzac Day itself. I acknowledge this morning the Presidents from our local RSL sub-branches: Merv Wood from Kensington War Memorial, Tony Miller from Coogee-Randwick, Paul Graham from Mascot, Terry Ireland from Bronte, Trevor Warfield from Botany and Barry Allen from Malabar. I welcome also Les Haggett, Honorary President of the National Servicemen's Association of Australia and Major Erroll Christian representing the University of New South Wales Regiment. Among our Old Boy veterans today are: Commodores Ian Callaway and Viv Littlewood and Lt. Commander David Daish and Dr. Douglas Carruthers. To you and more recent Old Boys, thank you for sharing our commemoration ceremony today.

In the year since our last Anzac Day assembly the Syrian situation remains just as bloody and unresolved. Despite sanctions and intense diplomatic efforts by the United Nations, people are still dying in Homs. South and North Kenya are in dispute again over territory and oil. The Libyan militias have not been disarmed so stability is fragile. The fighting season has begun again in Afghanistan with brazen Taliban attacks. Let's hope that the timetable for what appears to be a political draw-down of Australian troops in Afghanistan does not undo the good social reconstruction work achieved by our troops in Uruzgan Province. We all want the soldiers to come home, but not so rapidly that the mission in Afghanistan, for which Australia has sacrificed 32 soldiers, is compromised.

In parts of the Arab world some progress has been made. Presidential elections in Egypt are welcome as is the democratic effort in Tunisia. Nearer home the UN mandate in East Timor is coming to an end as the people peacefully elect a new President.

In these times, as always, Australia needs its Defence personnel to protect and defend our interests. When we acknowledge their current work we are reminded of our traditions.

Our involvement in lengthening overseas engagements has led us to indulge in revisionist thinking about our image in the world and about the idealised fighting qualities of our soldiers. We are questioning our mythology inspired by the

deeds of Australian soldiers at Gallipoli. We like to think of them as tall, bronzed Aussie bushmen, yet the vast majority were mid-statured, pallid, city dwellers. I fail to see how it matters...there were all body shapes and origins in our forces. Where they came from and what they looked like are irrelevant; it is what they did that we remember and acknowledge.

As a counterpoint, claims for the award of posthumous VCs are being investigated and assessed. It is as though on the one hand we are becoming disenchanted with a supposedly jingoistic myth making about ANZACs and on the other, feeling more responsible for justly acknowledging the deeds of our soldiers in past wars.

Albert Jacka's story is an inspiration but it is characteristic of our ambivalence about lionising our past heroes. Albert Jacka was an average looking man of medium height and slight build, but a legendary figure in Australian military history. He was reckless and he liked to fight. He was a Victorian forestry worker – confident, frank, outspoken, impatient with authority. Corporal Jacka won a Victoria Cross at Courtney's Ridge on Gallipoli. He repelled a Turkish infiltration of an Australian position. He jumped into the trench, shot five Turks and bayoneted two others.

Next year, in Flanders at Pozieres, he was a Lieutenant. During a German counter attack on the morning of August 7, 1916, his platoon was caught behind enemy lines. Jacka led seven men in a charge against a German detail which was escorting Australian prisoners to the rear. After a fierce hand to hand battle, the Germans surrendered, Jacka's platoon was reduced from 52 men to 4 unwounded by the end of the day. Jacka was wounded seven times during the close combat but survived, after killing at least five Germans. He blunted the momentum of a German advance. He was awarded a Military Cross. Did he not do enough for a second VC to be awarded?

In my view it is problematic to overdo the re-writing of history. In the context of the times, great deeds were overlooked and unacknowledged. The military circumstances of the action might reflect badly on leadership. Scrutiny of the event might best be avoided. There were politics involved. War is like that. What has happened has passed. Let it be.

As Australians we ought to be proud, not hesitant about our military traditions. Our celebrations are



not about victories or defeats. We want to admire, preserve and nurture great human virtues: bravery, stoicism, mateship, self-sacrifice, initiative, daring. It is natural to reassess our traditions each generation and it is equally natural to retain a romantic fondness for the symbols of our idealised 'digger'. They were citizen soldiers. They helped forge our nationhood. Let us spend Anzac Day reflecting on those who served, those who are serving, those who died in service and those still suffering as a result of their service. I hope all High boys will spend some of their time on April 25 showing respect for the service and sacrifice of our citizens in our country's name.

Dr KA Jaggar, Principal

On the 25th of April every year, Australians have memorial services across the globe, commemorating the brave ANZACs who landed on the Gallipoli Peninsula ninety seven years ago. However, younger generations have become desensitised to war and its devastating conditions and consequences and we need to ask ourselves; why do we have these services every year, why is it important for young people to stand side by side with the older veterans and most importantly, why is it that we seemingly commemorate a terrible and tragic defeat?

Simply put, we do not celebrate war, but rather the spirit, selflessness and the honour of the ANZACs. We should use ANZAC day as an opportunity to really think about horrors of war.

For those who fight in any war there is no doubt that

they have to endure terrible hardships. The conditions in WWI either at Gallipoli or on the Western Front were horrendous. In particular, the conditions on the Western Front were some of the most atrocious. There were huge signs of decay and one of the most disturbing was rats. Rats the size of cats could be seen lurking around the trenches at night, feasting on the dead bodies of the soldiers. Without a doubt, this constantly terrorised the soldiers and these were treacherous conditions for the newly trained Australian soldiers. This is not the end – with the soldiers living in trenches filled with dirty water and inadequate sanitation, being immersed in flies, lice, mosquitoes and rats, and taking into account the rotting, and the countless dead bodies piled across the area between the trenches called no man's land. I know this is going to be hard, but try and imagine that situation, with flies and lice and rats crawling all over the place. It was not surprising that disease was widespread. Yet the Anzacs continued because they were fighting for our country, Australia.

Unfortunately for many, they fought and died for our country. On the first day alone (of the landing on the Gallipoli Peninsula), six hundred and twenty Australian soldiers and over three hundred New Zealand soldiers died. That is a total of about nine hundred soldiers, which is an equivalent of everyone in this hall. Over the whole campaign there were 26111 Australian casualties and 8141 deaths. This is not the whole story either; on both

sides there were a total of 535000 casualties and around 125000 deaths. That is approximately 670 times our hall size, or about 450 times our school population. Through this comparison we can see the drastic impact of war from this campaign alone. Boys, take a moment to consider this, look around the hall, and think of all your friends and peers. Now think about 670 times that; how many friends would you have lost by now? That is not to say, that there were less deaths, or more, in other campaigns; but to think that the total amount of people in 450 schools the size of ours were killed in just one campaign, highlights how there would be much MORE death, in a war altogether.

And so, not only were the conditions completely poor and unfavourable, but the number of casualties that arose from just this campaign was absolutely staggering. And we need to realise that despite all this, the ANZACs pulled through with their spirit and selflessness; we honour them as they protected their country and the successors (which is us, the younger generations). Hence we celebrate not the war, but the spirit, selflessness and the honour of the ANZACs. We must ensure that they will not be forgotten.

Lest we forget.

Eric Xu

The Anzac Spirit – The ideals of courage, endurance and mateship – was established on 25 April 1915, as the Australian and New Zealand Army Corps landed on the Gallipoli Peninsula, Turkey. It marked the start of a campaign which would last eight months and claim twenty five thousand Australian casualties. It has become a tradition and spirit forever embedded in Australian history.

The right to live life without fear and the common occurrences of everyday life such as coming home to a family, spending quality time with friends and most importantly enjoying life were all sacrificed by the ANZAC soldiers so we, who stand in this room today, can enjoy these very pleasures. It is because of their suffering that we enjoy the freedom we have today. They gave up their tomorrows for our today's. On this day we remember the sacrifices that they made. It is on this day where we should value this freedom.

But at what cost did this come? To ensure our freedom the Anzacs faced much adversity from the very moment they arrived in Gallipoli, from a harsh environment and geography to the constant barrage of enemy shells. The conditions in Gallipoli itself were harsh and agonising. Within the first hours of landing on the peninsula, the Anzacs faced an onslaught of fierce resistance from the Turkish forces commanded by Mustafa Kemal. The landing site, Anzac Cove, was small and surrounded by cliffs which the soldiers had to climb to move out of the congested beach. It became one of the largest scenes of slaughter of Australian soldiers. The surviving soldiers battled each day drastically clinging onto hope whilst waiting for reinforcements. Their courage and will to survive was tested over and over again.

It was also the sacrifices of the Australian families back at home which undoubtedly attributed towards this freedom. For the 8141 Australian deaths at Gallipoli there were 8141 families torn apart, never to see their loved ones again. Many sons and daughters were forced to accept the fact that they would have to grow up never seeing their father. Wives had to live their lives never to see their husbands again. Many mothers would never see their sons again. The moment the dreaded telegram would arrive, it was at that moment a warm and loving environment would transform to a place of shell shock and never-ending grief.

The veterans who returned from the horrors of Gallipoli were never the same. The tragic loss of life and the horrors they experienced would be forever cemented in their minds. Their experiences and first hand accounts help us picture the war on an individual level. These "lucky ones" who were able to survive amidst a great terror like the Great War each carry an individual legacy, each with different stories and experiences. We should value and respect each individual's suffering and experience, because the horrors of Gallipoli were not only felt by society but severely impacted on an individual scale.

ANZAC day is about honouring the bravery at Gallipoli. We cannot forget the other hundreds and thousands of soldiers who stood and faced the perils of World War I, World War II, the Vietnam War and the War in Afghanistan.

Kritman Dhamoon

Foundation Day Assembly 2012

Special guest Harold Sperling QC, Old Boy Order of Australia awardees, former School Captains and Prefects, Prefect Internees, School Family representatives, parents, staff and students – welcome to our 129th Foundation Day Assembly. When we celebrate Foundation Day, or more correctly, commencement day, October 1, 1883, we are reminded that the original objective of establishing public secondary schools was to provide a pathway to university for people from a wider range of backgrounds than the privileged elite of the day.

In our history, such people have come from many socio-economic strata, faiths, races and cultures. In the case of High our foundation objective has been spectacularly fulfilled. What we do is to prepare students of all backgrounds for tertiary study. Consequently, as a community we have a clear focus. Nonetheless, an equally strong foundation of our heritage has been the belief in personal development in its various aspects – physical, social, emotional, ethical. We see the pursuit of competitive team sports as very educative in these four aspects. Moreover, we see team sports as vocational training in such prized attributes as goal setting, cooperation, time management, persistence, focus and selflessness.

Yesterday, I was privileged to meet several of the 1952 Old Boys who enjoyed a reunion luncheon in the Great Hall yesterday. On these occasions I try to reflect upon what makes High such a successful learning community. In many ways we have preserved a strong culture of cooperation and resilience in the face of challenging tasks. The level of motivation to persevere in demanding environments – academic, sporting, performance or practical – has always been a function of the power of our student leadership. It is fitting then, that on this day, and in this place, we think about the connection between our culture and our leaders. Our School Prefects set the tone for their graduating year. Their energy, their examples to others, their ability to bring groups of their peers with them in pursuing school goals, have defined the quality of past cohorts at High and will frame the standard of achievements for the class of 2013. Over the next three terms the Internees will have to earn their badges and deliver on their pledges.

If culture can be seen as custom tested by time, then much of our culture has endured. There is much that can be gained by perusing *The Record*. In 1982 there was controversy surrounding the proposed re-

introduction of a four-term school year which had been abolished in 1928. Disagreements between the Government and the NSWTF on the length of the July vacation and the number of school days in the year delayed the four term re-introduction until 1985. This year's controversy is over the Gonski Review, school funding and the NSW Government's restructuring of staffing. After much lobbying in 1981-2, the Government announced that the 5-class intake for SBHS and SGHS would be restored in 1983. Sadly, it seems the number of selective classes or even the existence of selective schools themselves, is a perennial political issue. NSW society appears afflicted with the tall poppy disease.

In 1982 the school started work on replacing the old pontoon after the previous one sank. That pontoon survived until 2010 after which it in turn, sank and was replaced in 2011 after considerable fundraising by the school community. By 1982 the school community had raised \$475,000 towards the stage 2 development of the boat sheds at Abbotsford. This was the centenary project that the school was working hard to achieve. This self-help tradition continues as our community has undertaken an even more ambitious project, having raised \$1.6m to date towards the joint Governors Centre Project with SGHS which will cost \$8m. to complete. As ever, we will need Old Boys and the broader community to get behind this project to make it a reality.

In 1981, High won the Teasdale Cup in Year 10 debating for the first time. The same team went on to get the trifecta, winning the Karl Cramp in 1982 and the Hume Barbour in 1983. The team of Swivel, Klein, Malek and Wilson was formidable. Mark Swivel was named captain of the NSW Schools Debating team. However, the comparison with our 2012 team ends there. The team fell short in the GPS competition in both 1982 and 1983. Our boys won in the same trifecta and in 2011 the second grade premiership in the GPS and were very competitive runners up in GPS first grade this year.

In 1982 the first XI cricket team won the GPS Premiership. They completed the season undefeated thanks to a last ball of the day wicket against St Joseph's which salvaged a draw. With 4 wins and three draws the boys edged out Shore – our last taste of GPS victory in cricket in 30 years! It is not just in cricket that we have to be resilient, perseverant and patient.

In rowing The Record states that the 1st VIII was talented "but we lacked the drive to hurt ourselves, right from the start". On the water, they trained as much as any crew, but this was not matched by their "out of boat training, getting fit". Under the legendary Fred Fullerton, the second VIII was doing golf course runs at Moore Park, and 24 x 100m sprints. Regrettably, a bad start cost them all chance at the Head of the River. At High we are used to a great deal of striving.

We might ponder the famous saying attributed to French novelist, Jean-Baptiste Karr (1808-1890), "plus ça change, plus c'est la même chose". Our school's challenges, its values, its preoccupations, its strength and its weaknesses, seem to remain, despite the change of time, people and external environment. The traditions of our School are endearing constants and the thirty-six elected Prefect Interns are pledging an oath to uphold them. We, and they, take the pledge as a serious commitment and hold dear the goal of continuity with and despite change. I congratulate the School Prefects on their qualification for the ballot and successful election. I wish them all well in their roles.

Dr KA Jaggar, Principal

My congratulations to the new prefects.

I leave it to others to lecture you about the responsibilities of leadership. You will get plenty of that, one way or another. Today I will mention two things about leadership that no-one else will tell you about. They are personal things from my own experience of life.

Lord Louis Mountbatten was a notable naval commander in World War II. He became First Lord of the Admiralty and later Vice-Roy of India. He presided over the partition of India into the modern states of India and Pakistan. A great leader.

Many years ago I watched a television program in which Lord Mountbatten was interviewed. He was asked what was the first quality of leadership. His answer was, "Always to be ready for bad news."

Things go wrong for a leader and difficult decisions have to be made, sometimes very quickly. That was obvious enough. But how was a leader to be ready to deal with adverse events?

The problem lies in the natural human response to pressure. We are designed to fight or to flee in a crisis. The muscles tense up. The reflexes are sharpened. Breathing becomes shallow. This is a good state to be in for a physical scrap but the worst possible state to be in for deciding how to respond intelligently to an adverse situation.

What then is to be done? The British Navy had a solution in Lord Mountbatten's day. Perhaps it persists to the present time. The way a leader was to deal with bad news was one word and the word was "Stay". You remained where you were, sitting or standing, not moving a muscle. You said to yourself that one word "Stay". It took only a second or two to say it. Then you decided what to do, and gave the command.

This process works like magic. As a barrister and as a judge, I found it tremendously helpful when things went wrong. The word "Stay" is like a sigh. The tightness in the chest dissolves. The breathing becomes deeper. In the time it takes to say that one word, your mind becomes clear and still and you are able to make a decision calmly and logically.

So remember the word. When you are a leader of men and women and things get sticky, sit tight, say the word "Stay" to yourself, and then respond to the situation.

So much for being ready for bad news.

The second matter to do with leadership I want to mention is status. The longing for status is one of the deep drivers in human nature. It is written in the DNA of all animals, including humans, particularly in the male of the species. The normal human male pours a huge amount of energy into the attainment of status, the maintenance of status and the display of status. Recognise and embrace this. It is the way we are made.

Many of you are already leaders: prefects, captains and vice captains of sport and debating teams, representatives on the school council. You are all very likely to become leaders in our universities, in the professions, in commerce and industry and in the armed services. Leadership and status go hand in hand.

I can tell you, from my own experience, that there were huge satisfactions for me in being a Queens Counsel and in being a judge: the intellectual challenge, the companionship of fellow professionals, making a contribution to society. But I tell you honestly that the greatest satisfaction of all was the enjoyment of the status of the office.

There is nothing to be ashamed of in this. It is part of being human. Leadership has its responsibilities which must be taken very seriously, but it also carries the reward of status and that is something to be enjoyed.

So there are two thoughts to take away with you. Always be ready for bad news by remembering the magic word "Stay". Second, enjoy the status that leadership will bring you.

I wish you good fortune as future leaders in society.

The Honourable Harold Sperling QC

Sorry Day Assembly

This year, for the first time, we commemorated Sorry Day with a Junior Assembly on 25 May. We were lucky to have Aunty Fay Carroll, a local Aboriginal elder and DEC Officer, talk about the Stolen Generation and the impact the policy continues to have on Aboriginal people. This assembly will now be a permanent feature of the high calendar.

Rachel Powell

Principal's Address

To commemorate National Reconciliation Week (May 17-June, 3) and in particular Sorry Day tomorrow, I want to use the occasion of this assembly to apologise to Aboriginal people generally and Kamilaroi people in particular for the events of a dark day in our history, June 10 1838. During the land grab by squatters in the 1830s aborigines were seen as threats to expansion of white settlement rather than as people with hereditary rights to the custodianship of the land. The prevailing attitude was that killing Aborigines was justifiable because they were threats to agrarian livelihood. Sadly, massacres of Aborigines were not uncommon. The Australia day Massacre of 1838 at Waterloo creek was triggered by the spearing of some cattle and the murder of two whites (supposedly by Aborigines). Between 25 and 100 Aborigines were killed by Major Nunn and his troopers who were sent to the district by Governor Snodgrass after complaints by squatters. Convicts and stockmen continued the slaughter after Nunn left.

Later that year, one of the convict stockmen at Myall creek station, Charles Kilmeister invited the

Wirraraay group of the Kamilaroi tribe to come and camp at the station for their safety and protection from gangs of marauding stockmen. On June 10, a squatter, John Fleming, led a group of assigned convicts to Myall Creek in search of Aborigines. The Aborigines fled to the station huts, pleading for protection. Instead, they were handed over to the murderers who tied them up and led them away. The twenty-eight people who were subsequently slaughtered with swords were predominantly women, children and old men. The cruellest irony was that Kilmeister participated in the massacre.

The eleven convict perpetrators of the murders were brought to justice but Fleming, the leader and most culpable, was never arrested. In fact, he was involved in more slaughtering of innocents. At the first trial, all eleven men were found not guilty after the jury deliberated for only twenty minutes. Seven of the group were rearrested and charged with related offences. At the second trial they were all found guilty. All seven were executed on December 18, the only time in Australia's history that Europeans were hanged for the massacre of aborigines.

North of Bingara there is a memorial site at the scene of the massacre. It is a moving place to visit. The Myall Creek massacre was a terrible tragedy for many reasons. First, the Aborigines were betrayed and killed by their supposed protector. Second, none of the victims of this racially motivated murder spree was guilty of any wrongdoing against white settlers. Third, the victims died in vain. Despite the legal principle of equality of European and



Aboriginal persons before the law, it took two trials to convict the accused and the behaviour of white settlers towards aborigines did not change, the tactics altered. Perpetrators of massacres entered into pacts of silence to nullify prosecution attempts to find evidence. It was rumoured that poisoning of Aborigines was preferred as a "safe practice".

In the 21st century we would be accusing such people as criminals against humanity. Australians have a case to answer for attempted genocide in the 19th century. The Wirrayaraay people in northern NSW were in 1838 to the squatters what in 1938 Germany Jewish people were to the SS, non-citizens even sub-humans, who could be killed with impunity.

On Sorry Day we should reflect on how long racist domination and ill treatment of Aborigines has continued in Australia and resolve to treat Aborigines as equal citizens in our multicultural society. For Sorry Day I want to say 'sorry' for what was done at Myall creek and elsewhere in NSW in the 19th century by white society.

Student Speech

Good Morning Dr Jaggar, distinguished guests, teachers and students and welcome to our first ever Sorry Day assembly.

Most of us will have heard the words at the beginning of each school assembly where we pay our respects to the "traditional custodians of this land." It is in this small paragraph in which we attempt to remember the truth about Australian History. Yet many of us question why we speak these words? What is its significance and what does it tell us?

Now before going any further, I want you to imagine something. Think about your family. Think about the 13 or so years they have looked after and cared for you. Think about how each of your ideas, your actions and most importantly your culture stems from them. Now imagine a complete stranger snatching you from your own home. His reason? The belief that his culture is superior to yours. Imagine being taken far away from your home and brought up and surrounded by people who you've never met and speak a completely different language. How would that have made you feel? Scared. Alone. Alienated.

Sadly, this was the story of thousands of Aboriginal children who were forcibly removed from their

homes, known as the Stolen Generations. It's impossible for us to even comprehend all these years later what that must have felt like.

Sorry Day is primarily a day to express regret over the historical mistreatment and discrimination towards our Aboriginal people. However, since the 90s, Australia has slowly, but surely taken steps towards reconciliation with events such as the Mabo Decision and former PM Kevin Rudd's Sorry Speech. Although these steps are positive steps in the right direction, there is still a long way to go before we are even close to complete reconciliation.

As a result of the mistreatment of our Indigenous people, there are many indigenous areas which have extremely poor health and education. Going to a school as privileged as Sydney Boys, it's easy to forget how hard others have it. Most of you in the hall today will end up finishing your HSC, going to university, achieving a degree all because you have had the opportunity to. Yet sadly, in some Aboriginal communities, the children don't have the same chances as we do for example Only 36% of kids living in rural areas have access to a library and only 10% of Aboriginal children will graduate from Year 12.

Yvonne Butler, an Aboriginal artist had said "Education is the single greatest weapon to overcome disadvantage. It is the impact of the denial of education that affects so many Indigenous people to this day".

This unequal education means that kids, who are just like you and me, will have less of chance to have their dreams and ambitions fulfilled. They'll have a lesser chance into achieving even the most basic things in life that we take for granted such as a basic education, a job or possessing their very own home.

Ladies and gentlemen, the reasons for continually acknowledging "the traditional custodians of this land" is to remind ourselves and express regret over the heartache, pain and suffering Indigenous people went through all those years ago and parts of it which are still evident today. It should be this knowledge that should inspire you, as the future generations of Australia, to do whatever you can now and in the future to extinguish this inequality and bring Australia one more step closer to reconciliation.

Khushaal Vyas

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BALASOORIYA Sanishka, CHAN Jefferson, CHUNG Kevin, FANG Justin, GUO Kevin, HO Desmond, HUANG Darren, HUANG Raymond, KWAK Da Hen, LEE Anthony, LEE Kevin, LI Harrison, LIN Rex Xue, LOH Jason, LU Andy, NGUYEN Danny, ROY Dibyendu, SHIVAKUMAARUN Kieran, TIAN Daniel, TIAN John, WANG Gordon, XU Calvin, YAN Dallas, YI Roy, YU Pai, YU Wesley, YUAN Matthew, ZENG Alan, ZHENG Jeffrey, ZHONG Kevin

Class 7F

CAO Kevin, CHEN Shane, FENG Terrence, GU Ray, HUANG Hin, IKEDA Marcus, JIANG James, LI Ting, LUK Manson, LUO Jon, NGUYEN Anh Viet Duc, NGUYEN Dinh Lam Stephen, RUAN Wen Tao, SHEN Jia Yi, SHEN Lane, SUNG Jerry, TAM Alvin, TRUONG Richard, WENG Jia Hao, WONG Nathan, WU Barry, WU Rickey, XU Andrew, XUAN Kenfond, YANG Michael, YIO Feng Jun, ZHANG David, ZHANG Tim, ZHENG Michael, ZHU Alex

Class 7M

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Class 7R

BARTLEY Hugh, BUSHATI Ymer, GIANNOULIS Nicholas, GRAHAM Benjamin, KANIYUR Ramachandran, KIM Joseph, KUROSAWA Jun, LEK Jeron, LI [R] Andrew, LI Tony Xingkai, LOVE Elliot, MATHEW Aaron, MAY Ethan, McCAHON-BOERSMA Jaspas, MEHNDIRATTA Tushaya, MURUGANANTHAN Sabesh, NGUYEN Christopher, PRABHU Rahul, PRASAD Akhil, RAZMI Akeedh, SAUNDERS Louis, SENTHILRAJAN Brian Sandeep, SINGH Udayveer, SNOW James, SONI Harin, VUONG Leighton, WANG Kurt, WON Corey, WONG Lucas, ZHENG Samuel

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CHAN Bernard, CHANG Chris, CHUNG Gavin, CHUNG Jordan, DONG Angus, FENG Jason, GAO Jonathan, GE George, LIANG Nicholas, LIN Shang, LUO Ronald, MA Cameron, NG Joshua, NGUYEN Tom, PHAM Sidney, QIAO Michael, SUN Nigel, TRAN Brian, TUNG Phillippe, WEI Shane, WENG Charlie, WHITTAKER Matthew, WONG Ki Lok Arthur, WU David, XIONG Eddy, ZAFAR Ahad-Anhiang, ZHAI Lawrence, ZHANG Felix, ZHENG Jonathan, ZHOU Ellison

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Abbreviations

ACO: Australian Chemistry Olympiad	JSE: Junior String Ensemble
AIMO: Australian Intermediate Mathematics Olympiad	LRC: Latin Reading Competition
ALC: Assessment of Language Competence	MB: Marching Band
AMC: Australian Mathematics Competition	MCS: Maths Challenge Stage
AMO: Australian Mathematics Olympiad	MCYA: Mathematics Challenge for Young Australians
APO: Australian Physics Olympiad	NCE: National Chinese Eisteddfod
BSC: Business Studies Competition	NCQ: National Chemistry Quiz
CC: Chamber Choir	NLE: National Latin Exam
CSC: Community Services Committee	PO: Philharmonic Orchestra
D: Distinction	SCB: Senior Concert Band
DE: Drama Ensemble	SMC: State Music Camp
DVD: da Vinci Decathlon	SO: Symphony Orchestra
EC: Economics Competition	SPAC: Sydney Performing Arts Challenge
FIM: Festival of Instrumental Music	SPE: Senior Percussion Ensemble
GC: Geography Competition	SRC: Student Representative Council
GE: Guitar Ensemble	SS: Schools Spectacular
HC: History Competition	SSB: Senior Stage Band
HD: High Distinction	SSE: Senior Strings Ensemble
ICB: Intermediate Concert Band	SSO: Selective Schools Orchestra
ICAS - Computer Skills	SWE: Symphonic Wind Ensemble
ICAS - English	TCB: Training Concert Band
ICAS - Science	ToM: Tournament of Minds
ICAS - Writing	UNSWMC: UNSW Maths Competition
ISB: Intermediate Stage Band	UNSWME: UNSW Mathematics Enrichment
JPE: Junior Percussion Ensemble	YA: Young Achievers
JSB: Junior Stage Band	

ADHIKA Jonathan: Library Monitor (08); School Photographer (08); Convo@Cleo (11-12); High Resolves (09-11); DVD (08-10); Gold Award (10); First Business Studies (10); ICAS – Science (D 07, 09); GC (HD 08-10); ICAS – English (D 09); AMC (D 09, 12); NCQ (D 09-10); BSC (Prize 11 D 10, 12); Cross Country (07-09, 11-12); Cricket (08-10); Swimming (07); Cutler Foundation (11); Jeans for Genes (12); Red Nose Day (12); Daffodil Day (12); Legacy (12); Investment Banker.

AHMED Sanbib: Peer Support (10); Debating (07-09, 11); ICAS - Writing (HD 07); GC (HD 09-10); AMC (D 07, 09); ICAS - English (D 08-11); ICAS – Computer Skills (D 10); Cricket (07-10); Cutler Foundation (11); Physiologist.

ANDREWS David: (2009): Prefect (12); House Captain (12); Peer Support (10); MB (09); GC (HD 09); Rugby (09-12), 1st XV (11-12), Captain (12); Rowing (09-12), 1st VIII (11-12); Cutler Foundation (11); Lak Saviya (12); Jeans for Genes (12); Archaeologist.

ANSAREEN Aadil: EC (Prize 11); ICAS – Writing (HD 07); GC (HD 09); ICAS - English (D 08-09); AMC (07-08, 12); Cricket (07-12), 2nd XI (11-12); Software developer.

AYALASOMAJULA Akhilesh: ICAS – Writing (HD 07 D 11); ICAS - Science (HD 12 D 09-10); GC (HD 10 D 08-09); NCQ (D 09, 11); AMC (D 08, 12); ALC French Certificate 2 Listening (D 09); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 09); Tennis (07-08, 10); Red Nose Day (12); Blood Donor (12).

BARNETT James: (2012): Football (12); Jeans for Genes Day (12); Cutler Foundation (12); Oasis (12); Lawyer.

BAXTER William: Rock Band (09); First Architecture and Engineering Drawing (10); Academic Achievement (07-10, 12); ICAS – Science (D 12); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 09-10); ICAS – Writing (D 08, 10); ICAS - English (D 07-08); GC (HD 10, D 08); AMC (D 08, 11); Basketball (07-08, 10-12); Cross Country (10-12); Fencing (07); Sailing (09); Volleyball (08-09); Cutler Foundation (11); Electrical Engineer.

BIRCH Maximilian: ICB (07-09); JSB (07-8); MB (07-09); ISB (09); SCB (10); Music Tour (10); Debating (07, 09); S and P Tzannes Prize (07); ICAS - English (HD 08 D 07, 09); ICAS - Science (D 07, 09); AMC (D 08); NCQ (D 09); GC (HD 09-10); Football (07-12); Tennis (07-10); Sailing (11-12); Parking (08-11); Journalist.

BOOTH Adam: (2009): Prefect (12); House Captain (12); Football Referee (11); Peer Mediator (11); SRC (11); Student Mentor (11); High Resolves (09-11); School Photographer (09); Hall Monitor (09); CSC (09-12); Recycling (09-11); Amnesty (11); PAWS (12); CC (09); SPE (09); DE (09); ISB (09); ICB (09); MB (09, 11); SO (10); JE (10-11); SSB (10-11); SCB (10-11); Music Tour (10); Music Pocket (11); Debating (09); National Young Leaders (10); Lions Youth of Year Quest (11); School Trophy (12); First Drama (10), Music (09); Peter Walker Award for English Literature (09); Academic Achievement (09); GC (HD 09); NCQ (D 09); AMC (D 10); ICAS - Writing (D 11); ADF Long Tan Award (10); Premier's Volunteering Diamond Award (11); Phillip Day Scholarship (11); DoE Silver; Pierre de Coubertin Award (12); 1st Grade Cross Country (12), Cross Country Champion (09-12), School Sport Australia (12); GPS Athletics (09-12), Vice-Captain (12), Australian All Schools (11); State Athletics and Cross Country (09-12); Cricket (09-11); Water Polo (12); Football (09-12), 1sts (11-12); Oasis (12); Relay For Life (12); Parking (09-11); Stewart House (09-10, 12); Jeans for Genes (09, 11-12); Cutler Foundation (10-11); Daffodil Day (10-11); Legacy (09-11); Lak Saviya (09, 12); Blood Donor (11); Movember (11); World's Greatest Shave (12); Physiotherapist or Psychologist.

BROKMAN Anton: Peer Support (10); JSE (07-08); PO (088); Debating (07-08); ICAS – Writing (HD 11); GC (HD 10); ICAS - English (D 07, 09-10); ICAS – Science (D 08-10); AMC (D 08); Tennis (07-12), 2nd VI (10-11), 1st VI (12); Football (07-10, 12), 1st XI (12); Cross Country (11-12) 1st Grade (11-12); CHS Cross Country (08); CHS Athletics (08-11), GPS Athletics (09-12), Australian Junior Championships (11-12); Legacy (11); Cutler Foundation (11); Daffodil Day (12); Oasis (12); Investment Banker.

CEH Adam: Peer Support (10); GE (07-09); Debating (07-10); Platinum Award (10); EC (Prize 11); GC (HD 08, 10 D 09); AMC (HD 09 D 08); ICAS - English (D 07); ICAS – Science (D 07, 09-10); Sailing (07-12); Rifle Shooting (07-12), 2nd Grade (08-11), U25s Australian team to Bisley (10), New Zealand (08); Psychiatrist.

CHAN Adrian

CHAN Mathew: Peer Support (10); ICB (07-08); JSB (07-08); MB (07-11); SCB (09-11); SSB (09-11); Platinum Award (11); GC (HD 10); ICAS - Writing (HD 07, D 08); Music Pocket (11); Cricket (08-09); Rowing (10); Water Polo (11-12); Fencing (07-12); Mechanical Engineer.

CHEN Howe: AMC (Prize 10, D 07, 09); ICAS - Science (HD 07, D 08); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 09); GC (D 08); ASX Prize (10); Football (07-09); Cutler Foundation (11); Oasis (12); Mechanical Engineer.

CHEN Joshua: (2011): Football (11), 2nd XI (11); Cricket (11-12), 1st XI (12).

CHEN Tony: Student Mentor (11); Peer Support (10); AMC (HD 12, D 07-11); ICAS - English (D 07, 09); ICAS - Science (D 07-09, 11-12); ICAS - Writing (D 09); NCQ (D 10, 12); Rowing (07-10); Water Polo (11-12); Football (08); Rugby (09-10, 12); Daffodil Day (10-11); Jeans for Genes (10-11); Legacy (10); Oasis (12); Doctor.

CHEN Vincent

CHHOEU Christopher: (2011): Prefect (12); Silver Award (11); AMC (HD 12); BSC (Prize 11); EC (HD 11 D 12); Rugby (11-12), 1st XV (11-12); Parking (11); Cutler Foundation (11); Red Shield Appeal (11); Daffodil Day (11); Legacy (11); Jeans for Genes (11); OASIS (12); Investment Banker.

CHIAM Christopher: Prefect (12); Library Monitor; High Resolves (10); ToM Facilitator (10-12); DVD Facilitator (10-12); Geneq (11); Shootin' Hoops Editor (10-12); ToM (08-09), DVD (08-10); JSE (08-11); PO (08-11); Debating (07-12), Captain (12), 2nd Grade (11), 1st Grade (12), CHS 2nd Grade (11), CHS 1st Grade (12), NSW All Schools Squad (12); Debater of the Year (07, 10-11); Public Speaking (08-09), Junior Public Speaking Award (08); Classical Greek Reading Competition Finalist (10); Classical Greek Reading Competition Winner (11); First Classical Greek (08-11), English (09, 11), History (09); P&C Prose Writing Competition (11); School Trophy (12); ICAS - English (D 07-11); ICAS – Science (HD 09, D 10-11); ICAS – Writing (HD 11 D 10); AMC (HD 10 D 07-08, 12); NCQ (D 10); GC (HD 08-09); AIMC (09); BSC (D 10, 12); Basketball Statistics (07-12); Volleyball (08-12); Cutler Foundation (11); Movember (11); Lawyer, Business Consultant.

CHIEN Max: GC (HD 09-10); ICAS – Writing (D 08); ICAS – English (D 08, 11); ICAS – Computer Skills (D 08-09); ICAS - Science (D 07-09); AMC (D 07-08);

Claude Tressider Trophy (11); Football (07-09); Swimming (07-12), Vice Captain (10), Captain (11), Combined GPS (07-08, 10); Water Polo 1st grade (12); Cutler Foundation (11); Stewart House (12); Sport Science.

CHIN Ming: Prefect (12); Peer Mediator (11); High Resolves (10-11); Library Monitor (07-11); Recycling (11-12); Convo@Clevo (11-12); Bourke Street PS Mentor (12); Chess (11); UNSW Maths Enrichment (09-12); GE (09-10); Debating (07-10); Regional Director's Award (12); P&C Prize for Second (07, 09); First Geography (09, 11), Chinese (07-09), English (07); ICAS - English (HD 07, 09 D 08, 11); ICAS - Computer Skills (HD 09-10 D 07-08); NCQ (HD 08-09, 11 D 10); ICAS - Science (HD 07-09, D 10, 12); AMC (HD 07, 09-10, 12 D 08, 11); GC (HD 07-12); ALC in French and Chinese (HD 09); Level 3 HSK examination (HD 10); NCE (07-12), Silver (08, 10), Bronze (09, 11); Basketball (07-12); Cross Country (08-12), Captain (12); Swimming (12); Athletics (07-10), CHS (08-10); Fencing (07); Red Nose Day (12); Starlight Day (12); Bandaged Bear Day (12); World's Greatest Shave (12); Red Shield Appeal (12); Lak Saviya (12); Oasis Collection (12); Cutler Foundation (11); Jeans for Genes (11-12); Legacy (11-12); Parking (08); Environmental Engineer.

CHIN Timothy: Peer Mediator (11); Peer Support (10); Library Monitor (09); Amnesty (11); Bourke Street Buddies (12); First English (08); School Plaque (11); Academic Achievement (07-12); Academic Effort (12); NLE (Gold 10-12, Silver 09); ICAS - Science (HD 08, 10 D 07, 09, 11-12); NCQ (HD 08, 09, 11 D 10, 12); AMC (HD 07-10 D 11-12); ICAS - Computer Skills (HD 07, 09 D 10); ICAS - English (HD 10, D 07, 09); GC (HD 09); ICAS - Writing (D 09); Basketball (07-12); GPS Athletics (07); Football (07-12); Blood Drive (11); Cutler Foundation (11); Jeans for Genes (11); Fred Pham 500 (10); Legacy (10); Oasis (10); Parking (08, 10); Children's Doctor.

CHOW Stephen: (2011): SSE (11); AMC (HD 11, D 12); EC (D 11); NCQ (HD 11 D 12); Cutler Foundation (11); Journalist.

CHU Kevin

CHUNG Daniel: (2011): AMC (D 11-12); ICAS - Writing (D 11); Lawyer.

CHUNG Lawlex: (2010): Hall Monitor (10); AMC (D 11); GC (D 10); Rugby (10, 12); Cricket (11); Fred Pham 500 (10); Cutler Foundation (11); Oasis (12); Lawyer, Rugby League Player.

CONNOLLY Tom: Prefect (12); ICB (07-08), JSB (07-08), SCB (09-11), ISB (09), SSB (10-11), MB (07-10), Music Pocket (11); Debating (07-11), Debater of the Year (09); School Trophy (12); GC (HD 08-10), ICAS - English (D 07-09); Cricket (07-12), 2nd XI (10), 1st XI (11-12); Rugby (07-12), 1st XV (12); Skiing (07-12), Australian Skiing Competition Bronze (09); Boggabilla Exchange (07-11); High Resolves (10); Cutler Foundation (10-11); Blood Donor (11-12); Jeans for Genes (12); Movember (11).

DANIELS Bartholomew: Peer Support (10); GC (HD 10); Sailing (08-12); Rifleshooting 1st grade (10-11); Daffodil Day (12); Jeans for Genes (11-12); Legacy (11); Cutler Foundation (11); Psychiatrist.

DAY Lachlan: (2010): 1st Tennis (10-12), Rugby (12).

DE LA COUR Luke: AMC (D 07, 09); ICAS - English (D 07, 08); ICAS - Writing (HD 07); ICAS - Science (D 07, 09); ICAS - Computer Skills (HD 09, D 07-08); GC (HD 10, D 09); Basketball (10); Cricket (07-09, 12); Football (07-10, 12); Actuary.

DE NIGRIS Gianmarco: (2011): Rowing (11-12), 2nd VIII (11), 1st VIII (12); Athletics (11); Cutler Foundation (11); Oasis (12).

DELANEY Matthew: ICAS - English (HD 10 D 07-09, 11); ICAS - Computing Skills (HD 10); GC (D 08, 10); ICAS - Science (D 08-09); AMC (D 12); Sailing (07-12).

DHALIWAL Amandeep: (2011)

DHINGRA Sachin: (2009): SRC (12); Peer Mediator (11); Bronze Award (10); AMC (D 11); Cricket (09-12), 2nd XI (11-12); Volleyball (09-12), 2nds (11); Lak Saviya (10); Fred Pham 500 (10); Cutler Foundation (11); OASIS (12); Amnesty (11-12); Doctor.

DIAS Sudam: Prefect (12); Peer Mediator (11); Student Mentor (11); Library Monitor (11); House Clerk (12); Badges Committee (11); Amnesty (10-11), Leadership (11); Debating (07-08, 11); School Plaque (11); Premier's Volunteering Diamond Award (11); AMC (D 08-10, 12); ICAS - Science (HD 12); ICAS - Writing (HD 07 D 09); ICAS - English (D 07); NCQ (HD 09); GC (HD 08-10); Cricket (07-12), 1st XI (10-12); Football (07-12); Jeans for Genes (11-12); Lak Saviya (10, 12); Red Nose Day (12); Starlight Day (12); Legacy (10-12); Stewart House (12); Daffodil Day (10-11); UNICEF (11); Fred Pham 500 (10); Electrical Engineer.

DO Simon: SRC (09-10); Peer Support (10); Parking (08-09); Gardening (10); Recycling (10-11); ICB (08); JSB (09); JCB (07); MB (08-09); JPE (07); School Plaque

(11); ICAS - Science (D 08); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 09-10); AMC (D 08-09); BSC (D 11); Athletics (07); Basketball (07-11); Football (07-12); Daffodil Day; Jeans for Genes; Legacy; Stewart House; Cutler Foundation; Oasis; Dentist.

DONG James: AMC (Prize 09 HD 07 D 08, 10-12); ICAS - Science (HD 09 D 07, 10); ICAS- English (D 07); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 10); NCQ (D 10-12).

DUTTA Abhi: SRC (12); Peer Support (10); Amnesty (11); JPE (08-09); Debating (07-09); Public Speaking (08); Silver Award (09); GC (HD 08, 10); AMC (D 10) ICAS - Computer Skills (09); Cricket (07-11); Football (07-11); Clean Up Australia Day (12); Red Nose Day (12); Red Shield Appeal (11-12); Starlight Day (12); Daffodil Day (10-11); Jeans for Genes (11); Legacy (10-12); Computer Scientist.

DUTTA Krishnendu: Peer Mediation (11); ICAS - Writing (HD 07, D 10); AMC (D 07, 09-10); ICAS - English (D 08); ICAS - Science (HD 08-10 D 07); BSC Prize (10-11); NCQ (HD 11- 12 D 09-10); EC (HD 11); GC (HD 09); Debating (07-09, 11); ToM (10); Cricket (07-11), 2nd XI (10); Football (07-10); CC (07); Football Referee (11); Platinum Award; Amnesty (10-11); Jeans for Genes (11); Daffodil Day (11); Legacy (11); Boggabilla (11); Cutler Foundation (11); Health Professional.

EDGTON Julian: School Prefect (12); Peer Support (10); First Studies of Religion (11); Arch Ferguson Prize (11); ADF Leadership and Teamwork Award (11); Ross Miller Memorial Award (10); EC (Prize 12); ICAS - English (HD 07-08 D 09-11); ICAS - Writing (HD 07); GC (HD 08-10); ALC Certificate 3 Reading (HD 11); ALC Certificate 3 Listening (D 11); ICAS - Science (D 09-11); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 07, 09-10); Rugby (07-12), 1st XV (11-12); Rowing (07-10); Sailing (11-12); Skiing (09-11), 2nd NSW Div 1 Cross Country (11); Debating (08-12), 2nds (11), 1sts (12), CHS team (12); CSC (09-12), Executive (11), Treasurer (12); Daffodil Day (10, 12); Blood Donor (11-12); Jeans for Genes (11-12); Legacy (10-11); Bandaged Bear Appeal; Starlight Day; Red Nose Day (12).

FANG Leo: Chess (07), Cadets (07); AMC (HD 10, D 09, 11-12); NCQ(HD 10, 12 D 09); ICAS - Science (D 07-08, 11-12); ICAS - Writing (D 07-08); Football (07-12); Red Nose Day; Cutler Foundation; Mechanical Engineer.

FANG Lucas: Prefect (12); Amnesty (11); Recycling (08, 11); GE (07-11); CC (11); Music Pocket (11); Debating (09); School Trophy (12); First Visual Arts

(07, 09-10); AMC (HD 12, D 08); ICAS - Writing (HD 07, D 08-10); ICAS - Science (D 08); ICAS - English (D 08); AMC (D 08); Cricket (07); Basketball (08-12); Football (07-12); GPS Athletics (10-11); CHS Cross Country (10); Legacy (10, 12); Red Shield Appeal (10-12); Jeans for Genes (12); Movember (11); Marketer.

FAYEZ Joshua: AMC (HD 10, 12 D 07-08); NCQ (D 10-11); GC (HD 09); Basketball (07); Cricket (08-10); Football (12); Daffodil Day (10); Stewart House (12); Farmer.

FENG Shi: Peer Support (10); CC (11); AMC (HD 11- 12 D 08-09); Chinese International HSK Competition (HD 10, 12); ICAS - Science (D 09); ICAS - Writing (D 11); BSC (D 10); Doctor.

FLETCHER Shaun: Prefect (12); SRC (08); MB (07-12); JSB (07-08); ICB (07-09); SO (09-12); SCB (09-12); ISB (09); SSB (10-11); School Trophy (12); ICAS - Science (HD 07-10); AMC (HD 07 D 08, 10-11); ICAS - Writing (HD 08); ICAS - English (D 07-09, 11); Music Pocket (11); Tennis (07); Sailing (08); Rowing (09-10), 2nd Year 10 VIII (10); Water Polo (11-12), 1st Grade (12); Fencing (07-12), 1st Grade (10-12); Teacher.

FONG Andrew: Prefect (12); Peer Mediator (11); Peer Support (10); MB (07-09, 11); JSB (07); SSB (08-11); SCB (09-11); Regional Director's Award (12); AMC (Prize 09 HD 08 D 07, 10-12); NCQ (HD 11-12, D 09-10); GC (HD 09); ICAS - Science (HD 10, 12 D 07-08), ICAS - Computer Skills (D 08-10), ICAS - Writing (D 10), ICAS - English (D 11); Music Pocket (11); Basketball (07-08); Rowing (09-10), 1st Year 10 VIII (10); Water Polo (11-12), 1st Grade (12); Football (07-12), 2nd XI (11-12), Captain (12), 1st XI (10); Athletics (09-12), CHS (09-11); Swimming (12); Football Referee (11); Premier's Volunteering Diamond Award (10); Daffodil Day; Bandaged Bear Day; Jeans for Genes; Red Nose Day; Legacy; Starlight Day; Cutler Foundation; World's Greatest Shave; Boggabilla; Stewart House; Lak Saviya; Movember; Doctor.

FONG Daryl: Peer Support (10); Headmaster's Award for Outstanding Achievement in the Arts (11); ICAS - English (D 07); ICAS - Science (D 07-08, D 10-11); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 07); Rowing (08-09); Football (07-10); Rifle Shooting (11); Red Nose Day (12); Blood Donor (11-12); Biomedical Engineer.

FOO Derrick: Recycling (09-10); Parking (09-10); ICB (07-09); SCB (09-10); JSB (08); PO (09-11); MB (07, 09); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 07); ICAS - Science (D 07-09); AMC (D 07-12); NCQ (D 11); ALC Chinese (HD

09); Cricket (07); Tennis (08-10); Legacy Day (11); Red Nose Day (12).

FU Allen: Peer Support (10); Library Monitor (11-12); Student Mentor (11); Platinum Award (12); ICAS - Writing (D 07-08); ICAS - Science (D 07, 12); AMC (D 08); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 09); GC (HD 10); ALC (09); Cricket (07-12), 2nd XI (12); Athletics (10-12), CHS (11-12); Football (07-12), 2nd XI (11-12); Daffodil Day (10-11); Legacy (10-12); Jeans for Genes (11-12); Cutler Foundation (11); Bandaged Bear Day (12); Starlight Day (12); Oasis (12); World's Greatest Shave (12); Dietician.

FUNG Deron: (2011); Library Monitor (11); AMC (D 12); EC (D 12); Volleyball (11); Daffodil Day (11-12); Jeans for Genes (11); Legacy (11); Red Nose Day (12); Red Shield Appeal (12); Convo@Clevo; Cutler Foundation; Oasis; Corporate.

FUNSTON Toby: Concertmaster of SO (11-12) and SSE (11-12); SO (07-12); SSE (07-12); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 07-08); ICAS - English (D 08-09); AMC (D 07-08); ICAS - Science (D 07, 09, 12); NCQ (D 10); GC (D 08, 10); Music Pocket (11); Academic Achievement (08); Sailing (07-12); Fencing (07-11); Blood Donor (11); Chemical Engineer.

GARAY Jasper: (2009)

GHEZELBASH David: (2009)

GUPTAA Dhruv: Peer Support (10); Theatresports (10); ICB (09), JPE (09); AMC (HD 07, 09; D 08, 10-11); GC (HD 08-09, D 10); ICAS - Writing (D 07); ICAS - Science (D 07, 10); EC (D 11); Cricket (07-12); Football (07-08); Rugby (09); Athletics (10-11); Red Shield Appeal (12); Blood Donor (11); Boggabilla (11); Fred Pham 500 (10); Actuary.

HAN Nicholas: GE (07); First Elective History (10); AMC (Prize 09, D 07-08, 10, 12); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 09); Tennis (08-10); Football (07-12), 2nd XI (11); Lak Saviya (11); Cutler Foundation (11); Oasis(12); Investment banker, Actuary.

HAN Yiwei: JSE (08-09); PO (09-10); AMC (HD 10, D 08-09, 12); GC (HD 10, D 08); HSK (HD 10, D 12); ICAS - Science (D 07); ICAS - Writing (D 11); Football (07-09); Tennis (10); Engineer.

HANG Tony: Peer Support (10); Year 9 Rock Band (09); ICAS - Writing (D 07); GC (HD 09); Basketball (07-12); Football (07, 11); Rugby (08-10, 12); Jeans for Genes (11).

HEO Harry: School Vice-Captain (12); Peer Support

(10); SRC (07, 10-11); Chess (07); Recycling (10-11); Convo@Clevo (12); Bourke Street Buddies (12); GE (07-11); Music Pocket (11); P&C Prize for Third (10); First PDHPE (10); Regional Director's Award (12); ICAS - Science (D 07-09, 11); ICAS - English (07); ICAS - Writing (HD 11); AMC (D 07-12); NCQ (HD 11); GC (D 08-09); ALC Test (09); Pierre De Coubertin Award (11); Cricket (07-08); Basketball (09-12); Football (07-10); Volleyball (11-12), 2nd Grade (11), Sigma Award (11), 1st Grade (12), Sydney East Regional Team (12); Athletics (09-12); Zone Cross Country (09); Jeans For Genes (10-12); Red Nose Day (12); Cutler Foundation (11); Lak Saviya (12); Movember (11); Blood Donor (11).

HILLIER Benjamin: Peer Support (10); JSB (07-08); ICB (07-08); SSB (09-11); SCB (09-12); GE (08-09); Music Tour (10); Music Pocket (11); Debating (08-09); ICAS - English (HD 09, 11; D 07-08, 10); ICAS - Science (D 09-11); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 07, 09); NCQ (D 09, 11); GC (HD 08, 10); Fencing (07-12), Silver Individual Fencing (11); Sailing (07-12); Music Teacher.

HO Chun: Silver Award (12); NCQ (HD 12 D 09); ICAS - Science (D 08-10); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 10); AMC (D 08-09); Tennis (07-12); Football (07-12); Cutler Foundation (11); Red Nose Day (12); Jeans for Genes (12); Material Science Engineer.

HO William: Prefect (12); Peer Mediator (11); High Resolves (10-11); Library Monitor (09-12); Recycling (09-12); UNSW Mathematics Enrichment Program (09); GE (07-11); Music Pocket (11); Debating (08); P & C Prize for Second (11); 2nd in Year 10 (10); Phillip Seymour Prize for Third (09); J W Gibbes Junior Prize (09); Peter Walker Award for English Literature (11); First Latin (07-11), French (09); Regional Director's Award (12); NLE (Gold Medal 10-12; Silver Medal 09); AMC (HD 11-12; D 07-10); MCS Intermediate Division (HD 10; D 09); MCYA (Polya Series HD 10; Noether Series D 09); NCQ (HD 09, 11-12 D 07); ICAS - Science (HD 09, 11; D 10); ICAS - English (D 10-11); BSC (D 10); ALC (French Reading HD 09); Basketball (07-12); Football (07-12); Parking (08-12); Red Shield Appeal (09-12); Cutler Foundation (10-11); Clean Up Australia Day (09-12); National Tree Day (09-11); Jeans for Genes (11-12); Legacy (11-12); Movember (11); Red Nose Day (12); Oasis (12); Dentist.

HOQUE Emtiazul: Library Monitor (09); Amnesty (11); ICAS - Science (HD 08, D 07, 09-10, 12); ICAS - English (D 07, 11); NCQ (D 09); ICAS - Writing (D 08, 11); AMC (HD 11, D 08-09); Cricket (07-10); Football

(07-10); Daffodil Day (10-12); Legacy (10-11); Red Nose Day (12); Starlight Day (12); Bandaged Bear Day (12); Jeans for Genes (12); Cutler Foundation (11); Special Forces.

HOQUE Shumit: Peer Mediator (11); ICAS - English (HD 07, D 08-09); AMC (D 07-08, 10, 12); ICAS - Science (D 09, 12); ICAS - Writing (D 09); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 08-09); Cricket (07-12); Football (07-12), 2nd XI (12); Daffodil Day (11); Starlight Day (12); Legacy (12); Fred Pham 500; UNICEF; Jeans for Genes; Cutler Foundation; Boggabilla; Blood Donor; Lak Saviya; Doctor.

HUA Raymond: Peer Mediator (11); Peer Support (10); Library Monitor (08); School Trophy (12); AMC (Prize 12, HD 07, 09, 11 D 08, 10); ICAS - Science (HD 07, 12 D 08, 10-11); GC (HD 08, 10); ICAS - Writing (D 07); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 10); ICAS - English (D 11); Football (07-11), 2nd XI (10-11); Rowing (08-10); Basketball (11); Water Polo (12); Stewart House (10); Daffodil Day (11-12); Cutler Foundation (11); Clean Up Australia Day (11); Dentist.

HUGHES Alexander: School Prefect (12); First PDHPE (09); AMC (HD 08 D07, 09); ICAS - English (D 07-08, 10); GC (D 09); State Cross Country Race (09); Cricket (07-12), 2nd XI (11), 1st XI (12); Football (07-11), 2nd XI (11); Rugby (12), 2nd XV (12). Debating program (08-10, 12). Public Speaking (12), Regional Finalist; Cutler Foundation.

ISKANDAR Mark: (2009): Prefect (12); Peer Mediator (11); Peer Support (10); Library Monitor (11); Amnesty (10-11), Executive (11), Conference (10); Circus troupe (09); Debating (09, 11); First Drama (09); Gold Award (12); AMC (D 09, 12); ICAS - Science (HD 12 D 09); ICAS - English (D 08-09); ICAS - Writing (D 08); GC (D 10); DoE Silver (12); Premier's Volunteering Diamond Award (11); Tennis (09-11); Water Polo 1sts (12); Area Athletics (11), GPS Finals (11-12); Football (09-12), 2nd XI (11), 1st XI (12); Daffodil Day (10-11); Legacy (10-11); Fred Pham 500 (10); Cutler Foundation (11); Lak Saviya (12); Movember (11); Stewart House; Jeans for Genes (11-12); Starlight Day (12); Dentist.

IYER Tejas: High Resolves (10); Peer Mediator (11); Red Cross Blood Ambassador (11); Community Service (08-12), Executive (11), Chairman (12); High Resolves (10); UNSW Mathematics Enrichment (11-12); GE (07-09); JE (07-09); JSB (07-09); ISB (09); Music Tour (10); Debating (07-08); Arch Ferguson Prize (09); School Plaque (12); NCQ (HD 07, 11-12); AMC

(HD 10 D 07, 11-12); GC (HD 09 D 08); ICAS- Science (D 07, 09, 11); ICAS- English (D 07); ICAS- Writing (D 08, 11); DoE Bronze (09); Rugby (07-10); Rowing (09-10); Cricket (07-08); Athletics (08, 10); Water Polo (12); Cross Country (11-12), 1sts (11); Regional Cross Country (08, 11); Daffodil Day (10-12); Jeans for Genes (10-12); Legacy (10-11); Red Shield (11-12); Bandaged Bear Day (12); World's Greatest Shave; Movember (11); Blood Donor (11); Cutler Foundation (11).

JEYARASA Branavan: Peer Support (10); JCB (07); AMC (HD 12 D 07-08); NCQ (D 12); Cricket (07); Basketball (08-12), 2nds (11); Football (07, 09-10, 12); Cutler Foundation (12); Doctor.

JIANG Jeffrey: AMC (HD 07, D 08, 10, 12); ICAS - Science (HD 07, D 11); NCQ (D 10-11); Football (07-09, 11); Cross Country (12); Cutler Foundation (11); Red Nose Day (12); Oasis (12); Mechanical Engineer.

JONES Daniel: (2009): Peer Support (10); ICAS - Science (D 12); Basketball Blue (10); Basketball (09-12), 1st grade (09-12), Combined GPS (10, 12), CIS team (12); Football (10-12), 2nd XI (11), 1st XI (12); Cutler Foundation (11); Oasis (12); Blood Donor; Sport Psychologist.

JONES Max: Senior Prefect (12), Peer Support (10); GE (07-10); Stephen Halliday Prize (10), 'Doc' Bentivoglio Prize (10); School Plaque (11); AMC (Prize 07; HD 08; D 09-10); ICAS - English (HD 08; D 10); ICAS - Science (HD 09; D 07-08, 10); NCQ (HD 09; D 07-08); GC (HD 08, 10); ICAS - Writing (D 09, 11); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 08, 10); Rowing (07-12), 1st VIII (11, 12); Rugby (07-12), 1st XV (11); Athletics (08-11); Cutler Foundation (11); Oasis (12); Blood Donor (11); Boggabilla Exchange (08-10); Lawyer.

JURLINA Christian: (2008): J & E Saxby Bequest (09); Basketball Blue (11); 1st Basketball (09-12), Captain (11), All Schools NSW Team (12); Volleyball (08-09); Zone Cross Country (09); Cutler Foundation (11-12); Physiotherapist, Professional Basketballer.

KATUPITIYA Lahiru: (2008): Badges Committee (11); ICB (08-09); JSB (08-09); MB (09); Bronze Award (09); ICAS - Science (HD 12); ICAS - English (D 11); ICAS - Geography (D 09-10); AMC (D 09); Cricket (09-12), 1st XI (11-12); Rugby (09-10); GPS Athletics (10-11); Doctor.

KATUPITIYA Lalitha: Prefect (12); ICB (09); JCB (07); JSB (08); MB (08); JPE (08); Debating (08-09); Platinum Award (12); AMC (D 07-08, 11-12); ICAS -

Science (D 07-09); GC (HD 08, 10 D 09); ICAS - English (D 11); NCQ (D 12); Cricket (07-12), 2nd XI (12); Volleyball (09); Football (10-12); Daffodil Day (11-12); Jeans for Genes (11); Bandaged Bear Day (12); Legacy Day (11); Cutler Foundation (11); Amnesty (11).

KE Kirby: ICAS - Science (D 12); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 10); NCQ (D 09); AMC (D 07); Football (07); Cutler Foundation (11); Mechanical Engineer.

KHAN Abeer: Peer Mediator (11); UNSW Mathematics Enrichment (09-10); Philosophy Club (11); Debating (07-08); First Geography (08); Prize for Third (08); Macquarie University Prize for Academic Achievement (09); AIMO (D 09); AMC (HD 09, 11-12 D 07-08, 10); ICAS - English (D 07-09); ICAS - Science (D 07-10); ICAS - Writing (HD 08 D 09-11); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 09); NCQ (HD 09, 11-12 D 08, 10); GC (HD 08-11); MCYA-MCS (HD 10); BSC (D 11); Da Vinci Decathlon (09-10); Volleyball (08); Fencing (09); Rifle Shooting (11); Starlight Day (12); Red Nose Day (12); Jeans for Genes (12); Bandaged Bear Day (12); Blood Donor (11-12); Cutler Foundation (11); Stewart House (12); Lak Saviya (12); Oasis (12); Doctor.

KIM John: ICAS - Science (HD 10); AMC (D 07-10, 12); ICAS - English (D 07); GC (D 09); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 09); ICAS - Writing (D 11); Football (07-09, 12); Basketball (09-10); Tennis (07); Doctor.

KOUKOURAS Jim: Prefect (12); Peer Support (10); Debating (07-10); School Plaque (12); AMC (HD 08 D 09, 12); ICAS - English (HD 09 D 07); ICAS - Writing (D 07); ICAS - Science (D 07-10); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 10); NCQ (D 09); GC (HD 09 D 08); Classical Greek Speaking Competition (HC 11); Cricket (07); Basketball (08-12); Football (07-12), 1st XI (10-12), Captain (12); Daffodil Day (10); Legacy (10); Cutler Foundation (11); Oasis (12); Doctor.

KRAHE Kevin: Peer Mediator (11); Peer Support (10); First Business Studies (11), English Extension (11), History (10); BSC (Prize 11-12 D 10); EC (Prize 11); ICAS - English (D 08-09, 11); ICAS - Science (D 09-10); AMC (D 07-10, 12); ICAS - Writing (HD 07, D 08); Football (07-12); Rowing (08); Tennis (09-10); Water Polo (12); Jeans for Genes (11); Daffodil Day (11); Oasis (12); Dentist.

KRAKOVSKY Patrick: Prefect (12); Peer Mediator (11); High Resolves (10-11); Recycling (11); Geneq (10-11); Dux (08); Prize for Third (07); First German (07), Design and Technology (08), Science (09), French (10); Athletics Age Champion (07-10); John

Francis Bush Prize (11); School Trophy (12); GC (HD 07-11); ICAS - Writing (D 07-08, 10-11); ICAS - Science (HD 09, 11 D 07-08, 10, 12); AMC (HD 08 D 07, 10-12); ICAS - English (D 07-09); NCQ (HD 09-12); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 08); ALC French (D 09-10); DVD (08-10); Football (07); Tennis (07-11); Volleyball (09-12), 2nds (10-11), 1sts (12), Sydney East Team (12); GPS Athletics, Finals (07-12), Zone (07-12), Region (07-11), State (08-10); Daffodil Day (11-12); Legacy (11-12); Red Nose Day (12); Jeans for Genes (12); Cutler Foundation (11); Oasis (12); GenEq (10-11); Doctor.

LAIRD Benjamin

LAM Brian: First Ancient History (11); AMC (D 07-10, 12), ICAS - English (D 07, 10), ICAS - Science (D 07, 10-11), GC (HD 08, 10); Cricket (07-08), Football (07-12); Oasis (12); Legacy (10-12); Daffodil Day (11); Lawyer.

LAM Michael: GC (HD 10); ICAS - Writing (D 07); AMC (D 08-10); NCQ (D 11); Tennis (07-08); Football (07-10, 12); Basketball (10-12); Cutler Foundation (11); Doctor.

LAU Andrew: AMC (D 07, 09-10); Fencing (07); Football (08-10); Basketball (10-11); Cutler Foundation (11); Businessman.

LAU Kenny: UNSW Mathematics Enrichment (09-11); Dux (07); 2nd in Year (08); First Geography (07), History (07), Science (08), Mathematics (09), Chemistry (11); Chemistry NQE (HD 11); NCQ (Prize 08; HD 07, 09-12); BSC (Prize 10-12); UNSWMC (Prize 11); AMC (Prize 08-09 HD 07, 10 D 11-12); MCYA (Enrichment) (HD 09, D 10); MCS (HD 09-10 D 07); ICAS - Science (HD 07-08, 10-12); ICAS - Writing (HD 07 D 08-09, 11); ICAS - English (HD 08 D 07, 10-11); ICAS - Computer Skills (HD 09 D 07-08, 10); GC (HD 07-10); ALC (HD 09); Cutler Foundation (11); Engineer.

LAU Tommy: Intermediate Band (08-09); AMC (HD 07, 09 D 08, 12) ICAS - Science (HD 12; D 07-08), ICAS - Writing (HD 07), NCQ (HD 11-12); Tennis (07-11); Stewart House (12), Cutler Foundation (11), Blood Donor (10-11); Dentist.

LEE Benjamin: Cadets (07-10), NCO (08-10); Recycling (09, 12); High Resolves (10); GC (HD 08-09); ICAS - English (D 07-08, 10); ICAS - Science (D 07-08, 11); AMC (D 08, 12); ALC German Certificate 3 Listening, Reading (D 11); Cricket (07); Basketball (08-12); Rifle Shooting (09); Jeans for Genes (11); Daffodil Day (11); Cutler Foundation (11); Red Nose Day (12); Daffodil Day (12); Legacy Day (12); Oasis (12); Aerospace Engineer.

LEE Michael: High Resolves (10-11); Peer Mediator (11); Recycling (11); First Mathematics (10); NCQ (HD 10-11 D 12); AMC (D 07-10); ICAS - Science (08, 10-11); Cross Country (08-12), 1sts (11); Cricket (08-09, 12); Daffodil Day (11-12); Legacy (11-12); Jeans for Genes (12); Red Nose Day (12); Starlight Day (12); Bandaged Bear Day (12); World's Greatest Shave (12); Cutler Foundation (11); Oasis (12); Electrical Engineer.

LEE Oscar: (2009): Prefect (12); Peer Support (10); Peer Mediator (11); Student Mentor (11); Convo@Clevo (10-12); SRC (08-12), Secretary (11); CSC Publicity Officer (10-12); Hall Set-up Assistant (09); Recycling (10-12); Environmental Bins (11-12); JCB (09); SCB (10-11); PE (09-11); CC (10-12); Platinum Award (12); AMC (HD 09, 12); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 09); ICAS - Science (D 10); Music Pocket (12); DoE Bronze (12); Convo@Clevo Appreciation Award (12); Premier's Volunteering Diamond Award (11); Basketball (09-12); Football (10-12); GPS Athletics Team (10-11); Regional Cross Country (10-11); Daffodil Day (10-11); Jeans for Genes (10-11); Blood Donor (10-11); Legacy (10-12); Cutler Foundation (11); Red Shield Appeal (11); Bandaged Bear Day (12); Red Nose Day (12); Oasis (12); Clean Up Australia Day (12); Doctor/ Dental Surgeon.

LEE Raymond: House Clerk (11); Badges Committee (11); Recycling (09-11); Amnesty (11); Convo@Clevo (11-12); Bourke Street Buddies (11); Parking (09-10); Gardening (09-10); PO (11); SO (08-11); Debating (10); AMC (HD 08 D 07); ICAS - Science (D 07-08, 11); ICAS - Writing (D 11); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 10), NCQ (D 10); Music Pocket (11); DoE Silver (12); Tennis (07-11); Football (07-12); Red Nose Day (12); Red Shield Appeal (10-11); Stewart House (12); Cutler Foundation (11); Blood Donor (11); World's Greatest Shave (12); Oasis (12); Legacy (10-11).

LEUNG Kevin: AMC (D 11); ICAS - Science (HD 09 D 08, 10); ICAS - English (D 08); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 10); NCQ (HD 09, 11-12 D 10); Tennis (07-10); Volleyball (08-09); Daffodil Day (10); Photovoltaic Engineer.

LI Eric: High Resolves (10); Hall Monitor (10); SRC (09); CSC (09); JPE (08-09); Public Speaking (08); AMC (HD 08, D 07, 09-10, 12); ICAS - Science (D 08); GC (D 10); UNSW Maths Enrichment (09); Water Polo (11-12), 1sts (12); Basketball (07-10); Rugby (07-10); Cutler Foundation (11); Legacy (12); Oasis (12); Corporate Lawyer.

LI Frank: ICAS - Science (Medal 12 HD 08-09 D 07, 10-11); AMC (D 07-08, 10-11); NCQ (HD 07, 09 D 08, 10-11); GC (HD 08, 10 D 09); Basketball (07-10, 12); Athletics (08); Cutler Foundation (11); Oasis (12); Electrical Engineer.

LIANG Daniel

LIANG Gary: SRC (12); Peer Mediator (11); Young Leaders Day (11); Cadets (07); CSC (11-12); Economics Society (12); Mathematics Enrichment (09-12); Convo@Clevo (11-12); Bourke Street Buddies (12); Vincentian House Tutoring (11-12); CC (11); Prize for Third (11); First Mathematics Extension 1 (11), Mathematics (08), Economics (11); Academic Achievement (07, 09-12); Silver Award (12); 3rd in State HSC Mathematics (11); AMC (Prize 10, 12; HD 07-09, 11); BSC (Prize 11-12); EC (Prize 11-12); UNSWMC (Prize 10-12); MCS (HD 10); NCQ (HD 07, 09-12 D 08); GC (HD 09 D 08, 10); ICAS - Science (HD 07, 09, 11-12 D 08, 10); ICAS - Computer Skills (HD 07-10); ICAS - English (D 07-08, 10-11); ICAS - Writing (D 10); AIMO (D 09); MCYA (D 09); ALC Chinese Certificate 2 (09); DoE (11-12); Invitation to National Mathematics Summer School (11); Football (07-12); Jeans for Genes (11); Cutler Foundation (11); Daffodil Day (11-12); Legacy (11); Blood Donor (11); Oasis (12); Stewart House (11-12); Red Nose Day (12); Lak Saviya (12); Movember (11); Bandaged Bear Day (12); Starlight Day (12); World's Greatest Shave (12); National Tree Day (12); Clean Up Australia Day (12).

LIANG Jordan: AMC (D 07-08, 10); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 09); ASX Share Market Game 2nd in Australia (11); Fencing (07-08); Veterinarian.

LIEU Ethan: AMC (D 08-09, 12); ICAS - Science (D 07); GC (HD 08-10, D 07); Cricket (07-08, 10); Football (07-12); Daffodil Day (10-11); Jeans for Genes (11); Cutler Foundation (11); Optometrist.

LIN Hung-Ting: High Resolves (10-11); ICB (07-09); Debating (07-09); AMC (D 07-09, 11); GC (HD 10 D 08); ICAS - Science (D 07, 10); ICAS - English (D 09); Basketball (07-11); Fencing (08-12), 1st Grade (11).

LIN Richard

LIN Wilson: Peer Support (11); ICAS - Science (HD 07); AMC (D 07-09); ICAS - English (D 08); ICAS - Writing (D 10); Cricket (07, 10), Rowing (08-09); Football (07-12); Daffodil Day (10-11); Jeans for Genes (10-11); Legacy (11); Financial Advisor.

LING Tian: Peer Support (10); JCB (07-08); ICAS - Writing (D 09); ICAS - Science (D 09); GC (HD

10, D 09); Rugby (07-10); Cricket (07-08); Rowing (09-10); Water Polo (11); Athletics (07-11), GPS Finals (08-10); Software Engineer.

LIU Harry

LO Justin: AMC (HD 08 D 07, 09-10, 12); ICAS - Science (HD 11 D 07-08); Football (07-12); Basketball (07-10); Marketer.

LUIKER Carl: Peer Mediator (11); Circus Troupe (10); ICAS - Science (D 07-10); ICAS - English (D 07-10); Geography Competition (HD 08); NCQ (D 09); Basketball (07-12); Fencing (07); Rugby (08); Volleyball (09); Legacy (10); Cutler Foundation (11); Blood Donor (11-12); Graphic Designer.

MA Nan: BSC (D 12); GC (HD 09); AMC (D 08-09); ICAS - English (D 08); ICAS - Science (D 08); Basketball (07-10); Football (07-12), 2nd XI (11-12); Water Polo (11); Cutler Foundation (11); Jeans for Genes (12); Oasis (12); Business and Finance.

MAHAJAN Rohan: (2010): Badges Committee (11); Amnesty (10-11); Silver Award (11); BSC (D 12); Basketball (10-12); Rugby (10-11), 2nd XV (11); Football (12); Red Shield Appeal (11); Legacy (11-12); Jeans for Genes (11-12); Daffodil Day (11-12); Starlight Day (12); Bandaged Bear Day (12); Blood Donor (11-12); Cutler Foundation (11); Lak Saviya (12); Chartered Accountant.

MANAHAN Rodrigo: AMC (D 07, 09); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 10); ICAS - Science (D 07, 09-10); ICAS - Writing (HD 07 D 09); NCQ (D 09-11); Basketball (08); Cricket (10-11); Football (07-12); Jeans for Genes (10); Cutler Foundation (11); Lak Saviya (12); Red Nose Day (12); Engineer.

MARQUES Sam: High Resolves (10); CC (07-10); JCB (09); PO (10); SCB (10); DE (09); Circus Troupe (10); Theatresports (11); 'Sharp Love' (11); H & J Charles Prize (11); First Drama (11); ICAS - English (D 07-09); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 09); ICAS - Science (D 08-09); ICAS - Writing (D 11); AMC (D 07, 09-10); GC (D 10); ALC French Reading (D 10-11); ALC French Listening (D 11); Rowing (07-10); Water Polo (11-12), 1sts (12); Actor.

McDONALD Matthew: (2009): 1st Visual Arts (11); Basketball (09-12), 2nds (Captain) (11), 1sts (12); Rugby (09, 12); Police.

McGLENCHY Blake: (2009): Basketball (09-12), 2nds (10-11), Captain (11), 1sts (12), Combined GPS 2nds (12); Rugby 2nd XV (12); AMC (09); SRC (10).

MEHMEDBASIC Ennes: Prefect (12); Chess (07-08, 10-12); JSB (07-08); ICB (07); SSB (09-11); SCB (08-11); Woodwind Ensemble (11-12); Music Pocket (11); Regional Director's Award (12); First German (10), Music (07, 09-11); Headmaster's Prize for Achievement in the Arts (11); AMC (HD 08, 11-12 D 07, 09-10); UNSWMC (HD 12); MCS (HD 10); GC (HD 08-10); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 09); ICAS - Science (D 09-10); ICAS - Writing (D 11); Sailing (08-12), Captain (10-12); Swimming (07-12), Captain (12), CHS (10-11), CIS (09); Volleyball (08-12), Captain 2nds (11-12); Cutler Foundation (11), Parking (08-12); Mathematician.

MENG Fred: Amnesty (10); Convo@Clevo (10); CC (07); JCB (07); ICB (08-09); MB (08); NCE (08); Academic Achievement (08, 11-12); Silver Award (09); AMC (HD 08, 12 D 07, 09-11); ICAS - Science (HD 09 D 07, 10-12); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 08-10); ICAS - English (D 09); NCQ (HD 07 D 09-10); BSC (HD 10); GC (HD 09-10); ALC Chinese Certificate 2 (HD 09); ALC German Certificate 2 (HD 09); UNSW i-Challenge 2nd Prize (11); Football (07-09); Cutler Foundation (11); Red Nose Day (12); Daffodil Day (12); Legacy (12); Oasis (12).

MOFFAT Jesse: (2009): Prefect (12); House Captain (12); Peer Mediator (11); SRC (11); ICAS - English (D 10); GC (D 10); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 10); A C McKibbin Trophy (11); UNSW Batting Award (11); Cricket (09-12), 1st XI (11-12), Captain (12); Rugby (09-12), 1st XV (11-12); Athletics (10-11), State (10); Jeans for Genes (11); Oasis (12); Cutler Foundation (11); Boggabilla Exchange (10); Clean Up Australia Day.

MOHAMED RIZVI Zafar: Prefect (12); CSC Executive (11-12); Student Mentor (11); Peer Support (10); SRC (07); Debating (07-12); Public Speaking (08); School Plaque (12); ICAS - Science (D 07-09, 11-12); ICAS - English (D 09); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 09-10); GC (HD 08-11); AMC (D 08-09, 12); NCQ (D 09, 11); DoE Silver (12); Premier's Volunteering Diamond Award (11); Cricket (07-10); Fencing (07); Rugby (08-10); Football (11-12); Athletics (11); Legacy (10-11); Fred Pham 500 (10); Daffodil Day (10-12); Vincentian House Program (11-12); Jeans for Genes (11-12); Cutler Foundation (11); Red Shield Appeal (11); Boggabilla (11); Stewart House (12); Starlight Day (12); OASIS (12); Movember (11); Lak Saviya (12).

MOK Thomas: AMC (HD 10 D 07-08, 12); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 09); Tennis (07-10); Football (07); Cutler Foundation (11); Dentist.

MOLLER Craig: (2009): Basketball (09-12), 2nds (09), 1sts (10-12), Combined GPS 1st V (11-12), Captain (12), MVP (12); Volleyball (09); Sydney East Blue AFL (09); School Blue Basketball (11).

MONTANARO Timothy: Prefect (12); Peer Support (10); AMC (Prize 09 HD 08, 10 D 07, 12); ICAS - Science (HD 11 D 07-10); ICAS - Writing (D 08); EC (D 12); GC (HD 08, 10); Rowing (07-12), 1st VIII (11-12), Vice Captain (12); Football (07); Rugby (08-12), 1st XV (11-12), Vice Captain (12), Best and Fairest (12); Parking (08-11); Cutler Foundation (11); Oasis (12); Blood Donor (11); Boggabilla Exchange (10).

MOON Andrew

NAOUMOV Edward: AMC (Prize 08, 10 HD 09 D 07, 11); ICAS - English (D 07, 09, 11); ICAS - Science (D 07-8); Football (07); Fencing (12); Tennis (07-09); Rugby (08); Circus Troupe (09); DVD (09-10).

NG Angus: Economics Society (12); Convo@Clevo (12); Recycling (12); AMC (Prize 08 HD 07 D 09-10); GC (HD 09-10); NCQ (D 07, 09); ICAS - Science (HD 08 D 07, 10); ALC - Chinese Certificate 2 (HD 09); Chinese Proficiency Test HSK Level 3 (HD 10); EC (D 12); Basketball (07-12); Fencing (07); Starlight Day (12); Red Nose Day (12); Legacy (12); Finance.

NG Darren: ICAS - Writing (HD 08); ICAS - English (D 07); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 08); ICAS - Science (D 10); AMC (D 07); HSK Level 3 (HD 10); GC (D 08, 10); Cutler Foundation (11); Optometrist.

NG Eric: JCB (07); ICAS - Computer Skills (HD 09-10 D 08); ICAS - Science (D 08); ALC French Certificate 2 - Listening (HD 09); ALC French Certificate 2 - Reading (D 09); ALC French Certificate 3 - Listening (D 10); ALC French Certificate 3 Reading (D 10); NCQ (HD 07 D 08); GC (HD 08); AMC (D 09); Basketball (07-08); Fencing (08); Rifle Shooting (09-12); Computer Programmer.

NGAI Mario

NGAI Ronald: (2011): Library Monitor (11); CC (11); Academic Achievement (11-12); AMC (D 11-12); EC (D 11); NCQ (D 11); Daffodil Day (11); Jeans for Genes (11); Red Shield Appeal (12); Legacy (11); Cutler Foundation (11); Blood Donor (11); Convo@Clevo (11); Oasis (12); Actuarial analyst.

NGUYEN Jason: ICAS - Science (D 07, 11-12); AMC (D 07-09); GC (D 08-10); NCQ (D 10); Fencing (07); Pathologist.

NGUYEN Lawrence: Peer Support (10); SRC (08-09);

CSC (09); Silver Award (09); AMC (D 07-09, 12); NCQ (D 10); DoE Silver (12); Basketball (07-09); Football (07-10); JCB (07); CC (11); Legacy (10-12); Lak Saviya (10); Daffodil Day (10-12); Jeans for Genes (11-12); Cutler Foundation (11); Red Nose Day (12); Oasis (12); Doctor.

NGUYEN Michael: Peer Support (10); ICAS - English (D 07); GC (HD 09 D 10); AMC (D 07-09); Basketball (10); Football (07-10, 12); Cutler Foundation (11); Legacy (12); Oasis (12); Psychologist.

NGUYEN Thomas: (2009): Peer Support (10); SRC (11); Student Mentor (11); Prefect (12); Recycling (09-11); Amnesty (10-11); Convo@Clevo (11); Clean Up Australia Day (10); JCB (09); SO (10); CC (10-11); Platinum Award (11); AMC (D 09, 11); NCQ (HD 09); GC (HD 09); Music Pocket (12); Tennis (09-11), 2nds (10-11), Coach 3rds-6ths; Football (09-12); Daffodil Day (10); Jeans For Genes (10-12); Legacy (10-12); Cutler Foundation (11); Red Shield Appeal (10-12); Oasis Collection (12); Doctor.

NGUYEN Vincent: Bronze Award; GC (HD 08, 10); ICAS - Writing (D 07-08); ICAS - English (D 08); AMC (D 11); Basketball (07-12); Football (07-12); Legacy (10-11); Daffodil Day (11); Cutler Foundation (11); Amnesty (11); Lak Saviya (12); Oasis (12); Corporate Lawyer.

OEI Christopher: ICAS - Science (HD 08); GC (HD 08-09); AMC (D 11); Cricket (07-12); Rugby (07-09, 12); Daffodil Day; Legacy; Bandaged Bear Day.

OOI Nicholas: Peer Mediator (11); High Resolves (10); Library Monitor (11); House Clerk (11); Cadets (07-12), Junior NCO (09-10), Senior NCO (11), CUO (12), Anzac Day Test Guard (08-09), March (08-09, 11-12), Most Efficient Senior NCO Award (11); Amnesty (11); Recycling (09-12); Badges Committee (11); Economics Society (12); Record Committee (11); Bourke Street Buddies (12); Convo@Clevo (12); DVD (08); Chess (08); MB (09); School Trophy (12); First Commerce (10); DoE Silver (11); Premier's Volunteering Diamond Award; ICAS - English (D 09); GC (HD 09); AMC (D 08); ALC - Chinese Certificate 2 (Listening HD, Reading D 09); Basketball (07-12); Football (07-12); Parking (12); Clean Up Australia Day (12); Red Nose Day (12); Starlight Day (12); Cutler Foundation (11); Daffodil Day (11-12); Jeans for Genes (11); Legacy Day (10-11); Oasis (12); Investment Banker.

PAK Shaun: Peer Support (10); JSB (07-08); ISB (09); SSB (10); ICB (07-09); SCB (09,10); Music Tour (10);

MB (07, 09); SO (09); Debating (07, 09); School Plaque (11); AMC (D 07-09, 11-12); NCQ (HD 11); ICAS - Science (D 09-10); ICAS - English (HD 10); GC (D 08, 10); Rowing (07-10); Water Polo (11-12), Captain 1sts (12); Fencing (07-12), 1sts (11, 12), Member of NSW Nationals team (12); Swimming (07-12), Vice-Captain (12), Age Champion (10, 11); Cutler Foundation (11); Oasis (12); Actuary.

PAN Daniel: (2011): Recycling (11); AMC (D 11); EC (D 11); NCQ (D 11); ICAS - Writing (D 11); Football (11-12); Daffodil Day; Jeans for Genes; Legacy ; Red Shield Appeal; Boggabilla; Convo@Clevo; Bourke St Buddies; Cutler Foundation; Oasis.

PAN Ming: Peer Mediator (11); High Resolves (10); Young Leaders Representative (10); Chess (07); ToM (09); Gardening (09); Gold Award (10); NCQ (HD 11); AMC (HD 10-12 D 07-09); ICAS - Science (HD 10 D 07-09); ICAS - English (D 09-10); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 09); GC (D 10); ALC German Certificate 3 - Listening (D 10); Fencing (07-09); Sailing (07); Cross Country (10); Cutler Foundation (10-11); Daffodil Day (11-12); Jeans for Genes (11-12); Red Nose Day (12); Legacy (12); Oasis (12); Blood Donor (12); Convo@Clevo (11); Psychiatrist.

PARADEZA Marc: Peer Support (10); Parking (10); Hall Monitor (10); Gardening (10); Recycling (10); JPE (09); AMC (D 07-09); ICAS - Science (D 07); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 07, 09); GC (HD 08, 10 D 09); NCQ (D 11); Cricket (07, 10-12); Basketball (08); Rugby (12); Blood Donor; Cutler Foundation; Clean Up Australia Day; National Tree Day; Oasis; Doctor; Engineer.

PARK Jun-Hyuk: Peer Support (10); AMC (D 07-09, 11-12); NCQ (HD 11, D 08-09); ICAS - Science (D 08, 12); ICAS - Writing (D 11); Rowing (07); Football (07-08); Basketball (08-12); Volleyball (09-12), 2nds (10), 1sts (11-12), Captain (12); Blood Donor (11); Red Shield Appeal (12); Red Nose Day (12); Daffodil Day (11); Jeans for Genes (11-12); Cutler Foundation (11); Oasis (12); Ophthalmologist.

PAUL Ankur: Debating (07-08); Dux (11); First French (07), Physics (11), Biology (11), Mathematics 2U (11); ACO (HD 11); APO (HD 11); AMC (HD 07-08, 10-12 D 09); ICAS - Science (HD 07-08, 10-11 D 09); ICAS - English (D 07, 10); ICAS - Writing (D 07, 11); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 09); MCYA (HD 10); NCQ (HD 08-09, 11 D 07, 10); Basketball (07-08); Fencing (07-08); Football (09-10); Cross Country (11); Physicist.

PERRIS Lloyd: (2009): Peer Support Leader (10); ICAS - English (D 10); Athletics (09-12); Basketball (09-12), 2nds (10), 1sts (11-12).

PHAM Jason

PHAM Michael: SRC (07); Peer Support (10); ICAS - English (HD 10); GC (HD 09 D 10); NCQ (HD 12); AMC (D 07, 11-12); ICAS - Science (D 08); Football (08-12); Cricket (07-08, 10-11); Daffodil Day (10-12); Legacy (11); Jeans for Genes (11); Cutler Foundation (11); Convo@Clevo (11-12); OASIS (12).

PHAN Adrian: CC (11); AMC (D 07-09, 11-12); ICAS - English (D 07); ICAS - Science (D 08); GC (D 09); Basketball (07-08, 10); Football (08-09, 12); Cutler Foundation (11).

PINIDIYA Nicky: (2009): Peer Support (10); High Resolves (11); ToM (09), GenEq (11); Debating (09-12); AMC (HD 10, D 09); BSC (Prize 10-11; HD 12); EC (HD 11-12); ICAS - Computer Skills (HD 09 D 10); ICAS - English (D 09); ICAS - Science (HD 09-10); ICAS - Writing (D 11); NCQ (D 09-11); GC (HD 09-10); Cricket (10-12); Football (10, 12); Jeans for Genes (11); Lak Saviya (11); Legacy (12); Oasis (12); Lawyer.

PINTO Christopher: (2008): Peer Support (10); Cadets (08); CSC (09); JPE (08-09); Public Speaking (08-09); J & E Saxby Bequest (10); Silver Award (08); AMC (HD 10); GC (HD 09-10 D 08); ICAS - Science (D 08, 11); ICAS - English (D 08); Cricket (09-10); Stewart House (12); Cutler Foundation (11); Health Worker.

PRAKASH Sooraj: Prefect (12); Peer Support (10); DVD (08); ToM (09-12), Facilitator (11-12); Convo@Clevo (11-12); Recycling (09); Gardening (09); Debating (07-10); First Prelim Geography (10); School Trophy (12); ICAS - Writing (HD 07 D 08); ICAS - English (D 07-08, 11); ICAS - Science (D 09, 12); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 08); AMC (HD 10 D 08-09, 11-12); NCQ (HD 11); GC (HD 09, 11 D 08); LRC (C 10); Cricket (07); Tennis (08-12); Volleyball (07-12); Daffodil Day (10-12); Legacy (11-12); Jeans For Genes (12); Red Nose Day (12); Cutler Foundation (11); Oasis (12); Doctor.

PRUSTY Suman: SRC (07); High Resolves (10-11); JSE (08-09); PO (10); Debating (07-12); School Trophy (12); Peter Walker Award For English Literature (07); ICAS - Writing (HD 07 D 09-11); ICAS - English (HD 09 D 07-08, 11); ICAS - Science (D 08, 10-11); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 07, 09); GC (HD 09-11); AMC (D 07-10); NCQ (HD 12 D 10); NLE (Silver 09); Cricket (07-12); Football (07-12); Daffodil Day

(10-12); Legacy (10-12); Jeans for Genes (11-12); Red Nose Day (12); Oasis (12); Cutler Foundation (11); Doctor, International Diplomat.

PURCAL Andreas: Prefect (12); High Resolves (10); Debating (07-10); First German (08-10); GC (HD 08, 10); ICAS - Writing (HD 08); ICAS - English (D 08, 10); AMC (D 08); ALC (HD 10 D 09); Basketball (07-09); Rowing (10-12), 1st VIII (11-12), Most Improved Rower (11), Captain of Boats (12); Football (07-12), 2nd XI (10) 1st XI (11-12); Athletics (11-12); CHS State Cross Country (10); Cutler Foundation (11); Jeans for Genes (12); Boggabilla Exchange (09-10); Sports Psychologist.

QUAZI Shubash: Peer Support (10); Peer Mediator (11); Prefect (12); CSC (09-12), Events Coordinator (11-12); Amnesty (10-11), VP (11); Debating (07-08, 10-12); Regional Director's Award (12); AMC (HD 08-09, 12 D 07, 10-11); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 07-09); ICAS - English (HD 07, 10 D 08); ICAS - Science (HD 08-11 D 07); ICAS - Writing (D 11); MCYA (D 10); NCQ (HD 07-09, 11 D 10); GC (HD 07-09); Premier's Volunteering Diamond Award (11); Basketball (07); Cricket (08-11); Rugby (07-10); Football (11-12); Jeans for Genes; Stewart House; Legacy (10-12); Fred Pham 500 (10); Daffodil Day (10-11); Boggabilla; UNICEF (11); Cutler Foundation (12); Blood Donor (11-12); Clean Up Australia Day; Movember (11); Starlight Day (12); Doctor.

RAHMAN Nayan: Peer Support (10); GC (HD 10 D 09); AMC (D 07-08, 11); ICAS - Writing (D 07); Cricket (07-08, 10); Rugby (09-10); Fred Pham 500 (10).

RANDLES William: ICAS - Computer Skills (HD 07, 09); ICAS - English (D 07); ICAS - Science (D 07, 09); NCQ (D 11); GC (D 08, 10); AMC (D 07-09, 11-12); Basketball (07-10); Sailing (11-12); Football (09-12); Rugby (07-08); JCB (07); ICB (07-09); SCB (09); JSB (07-08); ISB (09); Parking (08-11).

REIYDER Slava

REN Jonathan: (2010): SO (10); Chess (10-12), 1st Grade (11-12), GPS Combined (11), NSW Chess Representative (11); Platinum Award (12); DoE Silver; GC (HD 09 D 10-11); AMC (D 08-09, 11); ICAS - English (D 07); Football (10-12), 2nd XI (11), 1st XI (12), Combined GPS Squad (12); Tennis (11); 1st Grade Water Polo (12); Cutler Foundation (11); Red Nose Day (12); Lawyer.

RENZENBRINK Scott: Prefect (12); House Captain (12); High Resolves (10); Formal Committee (12); SRC

(08-09); ICB (07-08); MB (07-08); First PDHPE (07); AM Eedy Cup (11-12); School Plaque (11); ICAS - English (D 07, 09); ICAS - Science (D 08-09); GC (HD 08-10); Athletics (07-12), Vice Captain (11), Captain (12), 16 Years Champion (10), CHS State (12); Basketball (07-12), 2nd V (10-11), MVP (11), 1st V (12); Football (07-12), 2nd XI (10-11), 1st XI (12); Cutler Foundation (11); Red Shield Appeal (12); Daffodil Day (12); Jeans for Genes (12); Investment Banker.

SAKSENA Aman: Peer Mediator (11); Amnesty (10-11); Debating (09-10); Platinum Award (11); AMC (D 07-09); ICAS - English (HD 08 D 07, 10-11); ICAS - Science (D 07, 10); ICAS - Writing (D 09); NCQ (HD 09, 11); GC (HD 09, 11 D 08); Cricket (07-11); Volleyball (08-12); Daffodil Day (10-12); Legacy (10-11); UNICEF (11); Blood Donor (11); Boggabilla (11); Fred Pham 500 (10); Cutler Foundation (11); Oasis (12); Doctor.

SALEH Serag: Prefect (12); Peer Mediator (11); Peer Support (10); SRC (07); CSC (09-12), Secretary (12); Amnesty Executive (11); Chess (07); JSE (07-09); Debating (07-12); UNYA (11); Regional Director's Award (12); DoE Silver (11); Premier's Volunteering Diamond Award (10); ICAS - English (HD 08-11 D 07); ICAS - Science (HD 11 D 07-08); ICAS - Writing (D 07-09, 11); AMC (D 07-08, 11-12); NCQ (HD 12 D 11); Football (07-12); Rowing (07-10); Water Polo (11-12), 1sts (12); GPS Athletics (07, 10-12); GPS Swimming (12); Daffodil Day (11); Legacy (10-11); Jeans for Genes (11-12); Bandaged Bear Day (12); World's Greatest Shave (12); Movember (11); Red Shield Appeal (11); Stewart House (11-12); Cutler Foundation (11); Lak Saviya (12); Boggabilla (11-12); Oasis (12); Doctor.

SAMARASINGHE Gamitha: (2009): Amnesty (10-11), Executive (11); Peer Mediation (11); Student Mentor (10); Peer Support (10); Library Monitor (10-12); AMC (HD 11 D 09-10, 12); GC (HD 09, 11 D 10); ICAS - Science (D 10); ICAS - Writing (D 10); Premier's Volunteering Diamond Award (11); DoE Silver (11); Cricket (09-12); Football (09); Cross Country 1st Grade (11); Daffodil Day (10-12); Legacy (10-12); Bandaged Bear Day (12); Jeans for Genes (12); Cutler Foundation (11); Lawyer.

SCHWARZ Michail: (2009): Peer Support (10); ALC German Certificate 3 - Listening (HD 10 D 11), Reading (HD 10-11); NCQ (HD 11); ICAS - Science (D 09, 11); ICAS - Writing (D 11); Football (09-12); Rowing (09-10).

SETHI Siddharth: (2008): Prefect (12); Peer

Mediator (11); Student Mentor (11); Peer Support (10); CSC Executive (11-12); Amnesty (10-11), Executive (11); Badges Committee (11); JPE (08-09); ICB (09); Debating (08-12); Public Speaking (09); School Plaque (12); First Legal Studies (11); AMC (D 08, 11-12); HC (HD 09); GC (HD 09-11 D 08), ICAS - Science (D 11), ICAS - English (D 09); Premier's Volunteering Diamond Award (10); DoE Silver (12); Tennis (09-10); Athletics (09-10); Volleyball (09-12), Sydney East Team (12); CHS Cross Country (09); Daffodil Day (10-12); Legacy (10-12); Starlight Day (12); World's Greatest Shave (12); Movember (11); Fred Pham 500 (10); Stewart House (11-12); Lak Saviya (10-12); Boggabilla (11); Lawyer.

SIVAYOGARAYAN Sai: (2009): High Resolves (10); JPE (09); Basketball (09); Cricket (10-12), 2nd XI (11-12), Captain (12); Rugby (09-10, 12); Blood Donor (11); Fred Pham 500 (10); Cutler Foundation (11); Oasis (12); Physiotherapist.

SMITH Daniel: (2009): Cricket (09-12), 2nd XI (10-11), 1st XI (12); Football (09-10); Rugby (11-12), 2nd XV (11); Automotive Mechanic.

SONG Max: Peer Mediator (11); EC (Prize 11); AMC (HD 07, 12 D 08, 10); NCQ (HD 12 D 10); GC (HD 09); ICAS - Science (D 07, 10, 12); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 09); Basketball (07-12); Volleyball (08-12), 2nds (11-12); GPS Athletics (10-11); Legacy (10-12), Daffodil Day (10-11); Red Nose Day (12); Cutler Foundation (11); Oasis (12).

SOO Anthony: AMC (HD 07, 11-12 D 09-10); ICAS - Science (D 07-08, 11-12); Cricket (07); Football (08-10); Basketball (08-09); Cutler Foundation (11); Oasis (12); Accountant.

STACK Conor: MB (09-12); JPE (09); Debating (07-09); ALC French Certificate 3 (D 10-11); NCQ (D 10); GC (HD 09-10); AMC (D 07, 09); Basketball (07-12), 2nds (11); Football (07-09, 11-12); Rugby (10); Cutler Foundation (11); Animator, Director, Artist.

STERNHELL Robert: Peer Support (10); Economics Society (12); Philosophy Society (10-11); Debating (07-12), 2nd Grade (11), 1st Grade (12), State Squad (12), CHS 2nd Grade (12); ICAS - Science (HD 10 D 08,11); ICAS - English (D 08-09); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 07, 10); EC (HD 12 D 11); AMC (D 08-09); GC (HD 08-09); Philosothon Medal (11); Basketball (07-08); Volleyball (09); Basketball Stats (09-11); Rifle Shooting (10-12), 2nds (10), 1sts (11-12); Cutler Foundation (11); Blood Donor (11); Lawyer.

SUEN Hubert: (2011): Library Monitor (11-12); Chess (11); Recycling (12); Amnesty (11); CC (11-12); BSC (D 11-12); GC (HD 12 D 11); Rifle Shooting (11); Water Polo (12); Jeans For Genes (11-12); Daffodil Day (11); Legacy (11-12); Cutler Foundation (11); Oasis (12); Blood Donor (11).

SUTTON Gavin: SRC (12); Peer Mediator (11); Peer Support (10); Bourke Street Buddies (12); Recycling (11-12); Philosophy Group (11-12); Dux (09-10); First French (08, 11), Commerce (09), Geography (10), Science (10); ICAS - English (HD 07-08 D 09, 11); ICAS - Science (HD 09 D 07-08, 10-11); ICAS - Writing (D 07, 09); AMC (D 07-09, 11); EC (HD 11-12); ALC French Listening (D 11); ALC French Reading (HD 11); Football (07-12); Sailing (12); Daffodil Day (10-11); Starlight Day (12); Red Nose Day (12); Legacy (11); Jeans For Genes (11).

TANG Nathan: Peer Support (10); Chess (07); Debating (08-10); GC (HD 08 11 D 10); AMC (HD 07 09-11 D 08, 12); BSC (Prize 10); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 09-10); ICAS - English (D 07-09, 11); ICAS - Science (D 07-11); ICAS - Writing (D 10-11); NCQ (HD 07-08, 12 D 09); MCYA (D 09); CE (Bronze 08 Silver 09-10); Level 3 HSK (HD 10); MCS (D 08); Basketball (07-10); Cutler Foundation (11); Legacy (12); Oasis (12); Red Nose Day (12); Daffodil Day (12); Jeans for Genes Day (12); Financial Analyst.

TRANG Stephen: Gardening (12), Clean Up Australia Day (12); UNSW Maths Club (Enrichment Program) (10, 11); Debating (09); First History (08), Chinese Intermediate (08), Architecture and Engineering Drawing (09); ICAS - Writing (HD 07 D 08, 11); ICAS - Science (D 07-10); AMC (D 08-10, 12); BC (HD 11 D 10); MYCA Polya (10); GC (HD 08-10); Australian Language Certificate Test (Chinese) (HD 09); National Qualifying Examination (ACO) (D 11); NCQ (HD 09, 11-12 D 10); Bronze Award; Academic Achievement (08, 10-12); Football (09-10); Daffodil Day (12); Cutler Foundation (11); Oasis (12); Physician, Engineer, Teacher, Virologist.

TRUONG David: ICAS - Science (D 07-09); NCQ (D 07, 11); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 07, 09); ICAS - Writing (D 07, 09-10); AMC (D 07-08); Tennis (09-10); Volleyball (09-10, 12).

TSAI Jamison: National Young Leaders (11); Economics Society (12); Cutler Foundation; Gardening (12); Vincentian House (11-12); Bourke Street Buddy (12); Convo@Clevo (12); Red Shield Appeal (10-12); National Tree Day; Clean Up

Australia Day; CSC; Recycling (10-12); Sailing (12); SO (07); PO (08-11); CC (11); Debating (07-11); First English (10); School Trophy (12); EC (Prize 11-12); BSC (Prize 11-12); AMC (HD 09, 11-12 D 07-08, 10); NCQ (HD 11 D 10); ICAS - Science (HD 07, 09); ICAS - Writing (HD 08 D 07); Basketball (07-11); Football (07-09, 12); Rifle Shooting (11); Sailing (12); Stewart House (12); Movember (11); Jeans for Genes (11); Daffodil Day (11); Legacy (11); World's Greatest Shave (11); School Parking (08-12).

USEELANANTHAN Rukshan: Library Monitor (07); Peer Support (10); Cadets (08); Debating (07-10); Public Speaking (07); AMC (HD 07, 11 D 10, 12); ICAS - English (HD 07, 11); ICAS - Science (HD 07, 09 D 08, 10); NCQ (HD 07-08, 10-12); GC (HD 08 D 09-10); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 08, 10); Academic Achievement (09); Basketball (07, 09); Football (08-09); Medicine.

VISVAA Krishna: Peer Mediator (11); SRC (08); Library Monitor (11); Amnesty (11); High Resolves (10); Badges Committee (11); GE (07-09); Debating (07-10); Public Speaking (09); AMC (HD 08 D 07, 10); NCQ (HD 08); GC (HD 09); ICAS - English (D 07-08); ICAS - Writing (D 09); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 08); Cricket (07); Basketball (08-12); Football (07-12); Athletics (09); Daffodil Day (10-11); Legacy (10); Jeans for Genes (11); Red Nose Day (12); Cutler Foundation (11); Lak Saviya (12); Stewart House (12); Investment Banker/Lawyer.

VUONG Jamian: Prefect (12); SRC (07-09, 11); President (11); Amnesty Leadership (11); Peer Support (10); CSC; School Photographer (07-08); Cadets (08); DVD (07-10); ToM (07-08); CC (07); JCB (07); JPE (07); GPS Choir (07); DE (09); Drama Festival (11); Debating (07-09); Public Speaking (07); First Design and Technology (07); Platinum Award (10); ICAS - Computer Skills (Medal 07); BSC (HD 10); GC (HD 09-10); ICAS - English (D 07); AMC (D 08); NCQ (D 08); Rowing (09); Rugby (09-10, 12); Cricket (10); Stewart House; Oasis (12); Legacy (10-11); Fred Pham 500 (10); Lak Saviya; Daffodil Day (11); Flood Relief (11); Jeans for Genes (11-12); Boggabilla; UNICEF (11); Cutler Foundation; Blood Donor (11); Vincentian House (11-12); World Vision (11); Movember (11); Japan Appeal (11); Clean Up Australia Day (12); Lawyer.

WAN Cameron: Peer Support (10); Silver Award (09); AMC (D 07, 09); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 09); Tennis (07-11); Football (07-12); Legacy (10); Daffodil Day (10); Cutler Foundation (11); UNICEF (11); Lak Saviya (12); Oasis (12); Accountant.

WANG David: Peer Mediator (11); House Clerk (11-12); GC (HD 08); HSK Chinese Competition (HD 10); AMC (D 07-10, 12); ICAS - Science (D 07-08, 10-12); ICAS - English (D 07); NCQ (D 11-12); Basketball (07-12); Rugby (07-09); Football (10-12); GE (07-11); Music Pocket (11); Daffodil Day; Legacy; Jeans for Genes; Red Nose Day; Cutler Foundation; Premier's Volunteering Diamond Award.

WEI Hunter: Hall Monitor (10); Public Speaking (08); AMC (HD 07-08, 11; D 09); ICAS - English (D 07); Basketball (08-09); Football (07, 12); Water Polo (11); Lak Saviya (12); Cutler Foundation (11); Oasis (12); Physiotherapist.

WEINSTOCK Alexander: Chess (07); Debating (08-10); GC (HD 08 D 09); ICAS - Science (D 07), AMC (D 08), ICAS - English (D 09-10), and ICAS - Writing (D 11); Fencing (08, 11-12); Rifle Shooting (10); Sailing (08-10); Lawyer.

WILCOX Ben: School Captain (12); High Resolves (10); ICB (07-08); JSB (07-08); SCB (09-11); SSB (09-11); SO (09); Jazz Ensemble (08-11); MB (07-11); Music Tour (10); Debating (07-10); JM and WG Forsyth Prize (09); Regional Director's Award (12); First Music (08); GC (HD 08-10); AMC (HD 07; D 08-12); ICAS - Science (HD 11; D 07-09, 12); ICAS - English (D 07, 10); NCQ (D 09); Music Pocket (11); Cricket (07-08); Football (07-09); Rowing (09-12), 1st VIII (11-12), Top Oarsman (11-12); Rugby (10-12); Swimming (07-12); Vice Captain (11), CHS (10-11); Oasis (12); Blood Drive (11); Cutler Foundation (10); Doctor.

WONG Kah-Yang: Prefect (12); SRC (08-11), VP (11); Peer Support (10); Community Services (09-12), Executive (11-12); Student Mentor (11); JSB (07); First Visual Design (08), Film Making (08-09); Platinum Award (10); ICAS - Writing (HD 07); ICAS - Science (HD 08 D 07, 9-10); ICAS - English (HD 09 D 07-08); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 07); NCQ (HD 11 D 09); GC (HD 09); EC (D 12); Rowing (07-10); Athletics (07-10); Rugby (07-10, 12); Sailing (12); Daffodil Day (10); Legacy (10-12); Lak Saviya (10-12); Stewart House (10-12); Jeans for Genes (10-11); Blood Drive (11); World's Greatest Shave (12); Oasis (12); World Vision (11); Movember (12); Physiotherapist.

WU Andrew: Cadets (07); Academic Achievement (10-11); GC (HD 10, D 08-09); NCQ (D 07); ICAS - English (D 07-09); ICAS - Writing (D 08, 10-11); AMC (D 10-12); ACER Language (HD 09); Rifle Shooting (07-08); Cutler Foundation (11); Red Nose Day (12); Daffodil Day (12); Oasis (12); Architect.

WU Felix: Peer Mediator (11); Peer Support (10); GC (HD 10 D 08); ICAS - Writing (D 09-10); AMC (D 09); NCQ (D 11); Tennis (07-12); Football (08-11); Daffodil Day; Red Nose Day; Legacy; Cutler Foundation.

WU Peter: Peer Support; Recycling (09-10); Debating (08-10); First Science (07), Maths (07); ICAS - Writing (D 08); ICAS - English (HD 07, 09); ICAS - Science (HD 07, 09 D 10-11); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 10); GC (HD 07-10); NCQ (HD 07-10); AMC (HD 08-09 11-12 D 07 10); ACER Chinese Listening and Reading (HD 09); CE (09-10); BSC (Prize 11-12); HSK Chinese (HD 10); Cricket (07); Basketball (08-12); Football (07-12); Parking (08-09); Cutler Foundation (11); Doctor.

WU Yujin: Chess (07); JCB (07); ICB (08); MB (08, 11); Debating (07-09); CE (09-10); School Plaque; ICAS - Science (HD 07-12); NCQ (HD 07-11); AMC (HD 07 D 08-09,12); ICAS - Computer Skills (HD 07-10); ICAS - Writing (HD 11); GC (HD 08-10); AIO (Silver 11-12); Rifleshooting Blue (10), Rifleshooting (08-12), 2nd Grade (08), 1st Grade (09-12), Vice Captain (11), Captain (12); Sailing (08-09); Daffodil Day (10), Jeans for Genes (11), Cutler Foundation (12); Space mechatronics engineering.

XU Kevin: Library Monitor (08); Cadets (07); Debating (07-10); Silver Award (09); GC (HD 08 D 10), ICAS - Writing (D 07, 09-10), ICAS - English (D 09), AMC (D 08); Football (07-12), Tennis (07-08); Cutler Foundation (11).

YANG Jacky: ICAS - Computer Skills (HD 10 D 07); ICAS - Science (D 07-08, 11); GC (D 09); Basketball (10); Rifle Shooting 2nd Grade (11), 2nd Grade Captain (12); Mechanical Engineer.

YANG Justin

YANG Wade: AMC (HD 08 D 07); ICAS - English (D 08); GC (D 09); Cricket (07); Rugby (07-08); Basketball (08-10); Cutler Foundation (11); Bandaged Bear Day (12).

YAO Jeremy: Peer Support (10); GC (HD 08 D 09-10); HSK Level 3 (HD 10); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 09); ICAS - Science (D 10-11); AMC (D 07, 09).

YE Chris: Debating (08); AMC (D 07-12); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 07); ICAS - English (D 08); ICAS - Science (HD 09, 11 D 07-08, 10); ICAS - Writing (HD 08 D 10); NCQ (HD 10-12); Tennis (07-09); Fencing (07); Volleyball (09); Basketball (10-11); Cutler Foundation (11); Legacy (12); Oasis (12); Doctor.

YE Vincent: Prefect (12); Peer Support (10); Library Monitor (08, 11-12); Cadets (07-12), Most Efficient JNCO (10), CUO (12); NCE (09); ICAS - Science (HD 10 D 07-09, 11-12); ICAS - English (D 08-09); ICAS Writing (D 07, 11); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 10); AMC (D 07-12); NCQ (HD 09, 11); GC (HD 09-10 D 08); Basketball (07); Football (07-10); Tennis (10-12); Cross Country 1st Grade (11), Vice Captain (12); Athletics (08, 10-12); State Cross Country (09, 12); Cutler Wheelchair Roll (09); Red Nose Day (12); Legacy Day (12); Electrical Engineer.

YEUNG William: Peer Mediator (11); ICAS - Writing (HD 07, 09, 11); GC (HD 08-09 D 10); ICAS- English (D 07-11); ICAS- Science (D 07, 10); AMC (D 07, 10, 12); NLE (Magna Cum Laude 09); Fencing (07-12), 2nds (11); JPE (07-09); JCB (07); ICB (09); Jeans for Genes; Bandaged Bear Day; Starlight Day; Legacy; Oasis (12); Cutler Foundation (11).

YIM Minwoo: Convo@Clevo (10); CC (11); Debating (08); AMC (D 08 11-12); ICAS - Computer Studies (D 07); ICAS - Science (D 07-08); ICAS - English (D 08, 10); GC (D 08-09); Basketball (09-12); Football (07-08, 10-12); Cricket (07); Blood Donor (11).

YU Hiram: Peer Support (10); AMC (Prize 09 HD 07 D 08, 10-12); ICAS - English (D 10); ICAS - Writing (D 11); NCQ (Prize 11); Football (07-09, 12); Cricket (07-08); Rowing (09-10); Water Polo (11-12) 1st Grade (12); Cutler Foundation (11); Engineer.

YU Johnny: AMC (HD 08 D 10); ICAS - Writing (D 07); Rifle Shooting (10-11); Cutler Foundation (11).

YUAN William: First Design and Technology (09-10); AMC (HD 07, D 08-11); GC (D 08-09); ICAS - Science (D 07); ICAS - English (D 07-08); Basketball (07-12); Football (09-10); Rugby (07-08, 12); Cutler Foundation (11); Architect, Psychologist.

YUN Brendan: Debating (08); AMC (HD 09, 11 D 08, 10, 12); ICAS - Science (D 07, 09, 11-12); Fencing (08); Rifle Shooting (11); Business Manager.

ZENG David: JSE (08-09); Bronze Award (11); ICAS- Science (D 07 09); ICAS-English (D 07-08, 11); AMC (D 07 09); ICAS-Writing (D 10); Hanyu Shuiping Kaoshi Level 3 (HD 10); NCQ (HD 11 D 10); EC (Prize 11); GC (D 08); Tennis (08, 10); Football (08-10); Cross Country (11); Cutler Foundation (11); Architect, Civil Engineer.

ZHANG Cassidy: Student Mentor (11); Football (07-09, 12); Rowing (08-10); Stewart House (11); Cutler Foundation (11); Jeans for Genes (12).

ZHANG Kenny

ZHANG Leon: SO (07), SSE (08); EC (D 11-12); ICAS - Writing (D 07, 11); AMC (D 07-09, 12); Music Pocket (11); Tennis (07-10, 12); Cross Country (12); Daffodil Day (11); Legacy Day (11); Jeans For Jeans (11); Red Nose (12); Cutler Foundation (11); Oasis (12); Human Resources Manager.

ZHANG Thomas: Peer Mediator (11); SSE (10-12); SO (09-12); PO (09-10); Music Tour (10); First Engineering Studies (11); AMC (HD 08 D 09-10); GC (HD 10); ICAS - Science (D 09-10); Music Pocket (11); Tennis (08-12); Volleyball (10-12); Red Nose Day (12); Jeans for Genes (12); Cutler Foundation (11); Aerospace Engineer.

ZHAO Lyman: Peer Support (10); ICB (09); SCB (10-11); MB (09); European Tour (10); AMC (D 07-08, 10, 12); ICAS - Science (D 07); ICAS - English (D 08); NCQ (D 10-11); Basketball (07-10); Daffodil Day (10-11); Jeans for Genes (11); Legacy Day (10-11); Convo@Clevo (10).

ZHOU Jerry: Prefect (12); House Captain (12); SRC (10-11); Peer Support (10); Student Mentor (11); Library Monitor (08); Convo@Clevo (11-12); Recycling (08); MB (08-09); Debating (08-10); First PDHPE (08); Academic Achievement (08-12); Regional Director's Award (12); BSC (Prize 12 HD 11 D 10); AMC (HD 07-09, 12 D 10-11); ICAS - Science (D 08-09, 11-12); ICAS - English (D 08); ICAS - Writing (D 07); ICAS - Computing Skills (D 09-10); GC (D 10); Basketball (07-12), 2nds (11); Football (07-12); Athletics (09); Cross Country Region (09-10); World's Greatest Shave; Jeans for Genes; Movember; Cutler Foundation; Oasis; Clean Up Australia Day; Red Nose Day; Daffodil Day.

ZHOU Patrick: Debating (08); AMC (D 08-09, 11-12); Basketball (07-08), Swimming (07-09), CHS State Swimming (08), CIS State Swimming (07); Investment Banker.

ZHOU William: Peer Support (10); GE (07-10); Debating (07-08); ICAS - Science (D 07, 11), AMC (D 07-09, 12), ICAS - English (D 07); GC (HD 09-11 D 08); Basketball (07-11); Water Polo (12); Football (07-12); Clean Up Australia Day (10); Red Shield Appeal (10); Amnesty (10-11); Legacy Day (11); Engineer/Commerce.

ZHU Michael: NCQ (HD 09); GC (HD 10 D 09); ICAS - English (D 07, 10); ICAS - Science (D 09-10); ICAS - Writing (D 07-08, 10); ICAS - Computer Skills (D 09); AMC (D 07-10); Basketball (07-12), Volleyball (11-12), Fencing (07), Cutler Foundation (11).

ZOU Jack: Library Monitor (08); Recycling Committee (09); UNSW Maths Enrichment Program; Debating (08-09); First Beginners Chinese (08); BSC (Prize 11-12 HD 10); AMC (HD 07-08, 10, 12); ICAS Science (HD 07, 10 D 08-09, 12); NCQ (HD 11 D 10); GC (D 09); ICAS English (D 09); Cutler Foundation (11); Actuary.

Year 8 2011

CHANG Terry, LE Newton, LIN Rolland,

Year 9 2011

FENG Henry, KWON John

Year 10 2011

FRANCE Nicholas, LIU Cosmo, ZHANG Junhao

Year 11 2011

CHAU Brandon, LY Nathan, PHAM Francis



Farewell Year 12

Class Lists

For Year 7 see Salvete, and for Year 12 see Valete.

Class 8E

ANDREW Kevin, BELOKOPYTOV Edward, DEEP Amit Singh, DONG Tony, GOH Dylan, HA William, KIM Greg, KIM Sung-Chan, KOSLOWSKI Max, LIANG Benny, LIM Darren, LO Thomas, LUO Johnson, LUU Kelvin, MATSUMOTO Kai, MICHAEL Karsten, NGUYEN Simon, NIMAC Thomas, POPE James, QIU Star, SHIELDS Simon, TIONG Joshua Yuan, TSE Aaron, TU Julian Peng Hanh, WANG Daniel, YAM Daniel, YANG Lee, YE James, ZHANG Wesley Yi, ZHOU Ervin, ZHU Jason

Class 8F

ALI KHAN Mohammad Tajwar, BHASKARAN Jayant, CHEN Anthony, CHEN William, CHIN Joshua, DING Richard, HOANG David, HUANG Garry, HUYNH Dennis, KADAPPU Preetham, KARAHASAN Aidin, KARNAMADAKALA Vishal, LI Max, LI Peiyuan, LIANG Kevin Jia, LING Benjamin, LUO Tim, MA Hong, MAO Alexander, MO Raymond, OU Hayden, PHAM Hoang Khiem, QIU Jason, SUBBANNA Karthik, SUN Ryan, WU Benjamin, XIAO Calvin, XUE Daniel, YANG Albert, YUAN Gordon

Class 8M

ABERGAS Ethan, CAI Desmond, CHAN Ryan Joe, CHEN John, DANG Peter, DU Kevin, FARRELL Ciaran, FU Denny, JOHNSON Hans, JOSHI Advait, KING Joshua, KIRAN Akash, KITA-LEONG Youki, LIN Bován, LIN Edward Jia, LIN Jia Pin, LIN Justin, NG Rafael, RAVI RAJ Nishathan, SHACKEL Adam, SMITH Ellery, SZETO Johannes, TAKAHATA Kentaro, TAN Min Xuan Marshall, WU Andrew, XU Daniel, YAO Tim Wen Xi, YOU Adam, ZHANG Anthony, ZHAO Steven

Class 8R

AGAWIN Jaeco, CAI Kevin, CHAO Arthur, DAI Steven, HAQUE Shafiu, HUANG Chen Yang, HUANG John, LEE Nicholas, LI Colin, LI Yousheng, LIM Remington, LIN James, LIN Jun, LIN Peter, LIU Andy, LONG Yu Bin Benjamin, LU Jiachen, MASCARENHAS Kierny, NGUYEN Brendan, OH Victor, PAN Andy, RUSLI Anthony, SHEN Roy, SHORTRIDGE Thomas, SUN Henry, WANG Jackie Zi, WILSON Charles, YIN Nelson, YU Peter, YUAN Robert

Class 8S

ABEYSEKERA Manil, ALAM Faiyazbin, BENJAMIN Stuart, BLACKALL Manning, CHEN Jun Jie, FAN

Kevin, GOH James, HALL Elias, HONG Jason, HOSSAIN Raphin, JEPSON Liam, JIANG Daniel, JOARDER Masrur-ul, KATAFONO Jacob, LETHBRIDGE Oliver, McCAFFERY Adam, MOHAMED Ihsan, MORSHEDI Fayed, NAMPALLI Shashank, NGUYEN Andrew, NGUYEN James Thuy, PARAPARAN Arunen, PETROVIC Alexander, PUVANENTHIRAN Harishaan, RAJAN Vyaas, SAINI Saransh, SHRINGARPURE Salil, SHTEIN Louis, SMAGARINSKY Adam, SONG Bo-Ping

Class 8T

AGRAWAL Kabir, AHAMED JIFFRY Akhlaaq, BUI Vincent, CHEN Julian, CHEN William, GEK Rui Zhi, HAN Clint, HAN Yichen, HUA Raymond, HUANG Harry, JOHNSTONE Pajman, KIM Hyeonsueng, LIN Johnson, LUO Victor Chao, NGUYEN Justis Ngo, NGUYEN Thomas, PARK Harry, RAHMAN Nafis, SEONG Ryan, SHI Christopher, SONG Joseph, SONG Justin, TAO Luke Ze, VAKIRTZIS Stratton, XIE Felix, XUE Steven, YU Anthony, YU Marvin, ZHANG Tiger, ZHU Andrew

Class 9E

ARUDSELVAN Supan, AVUDAINAYAGAM Vishnu, BALAKRISHNAN Sarangan, BANG David, CHAN Matthew, CHANDRASEKARAN Ganeshmoorthy, DANG Benjamin, DANG Kevin Wu, FOWLER Noah, HAIDAR Nader, HAN Andrew, HOAD Luke, HOSSAIN Alexander, HUANG David, HUYEN Louis, HUYNH Anthony, KHONDAKER Alif, LAI Ian, LIAN James, LIN Kelvin, MALOLO Sama, McKENNA Sean, MURUGANANTHAN Varunan, PULAPAKA Shreyas, ROBINSON Kevin, SAHA Rick, SANGUEZA Josh, SHANKAR Gautham, SO Alex, SURA Raunak, TINKER James, TRAN Justin, WANG York, WU Anthony, ZHUANG Bill

Class 9F

BARANWAL Shaleen, CAI James, CHANG William, CHEN Li Fang, DAI Raycole, DONG Yao Jie (Jacky), HAN-McEVOY George, HE Dominic, HOANG Nguyen, HUANG Jason Rui, HUANG Keller, JIANG Alex, JIANG Bennette, JIANG Chen Hua, JUN Michael, JUNG Ji Min, LE Eric, LEE Chris, LI Jing, LIN Victor, LU Kevin, MAI Philip, MUSGROVE Sam, NGUYEN Martin, NGUYEN Timothy Tin, NI Kevin Zihong, SONG Neil, SZET Kenneth, XU James, YU Paul, ZHANG Alan, ZHOU Calvin, ZHOU Ian, ZHU Hofmann

Class 9M

ALLINGHAM Anthony, ARVIND Sudarshan, BETBEDER-MATIBET Marc, CHAN Lut Ming, CHANG Ian, CHEE James, CHEW Jonathan, CHIN Jaiden, CHOW William, FU Ben, HAO Richard, HUNG Zachary, HUYNH Lachlan, KAMALASURIYA Sandaru, KIM Thomas, LEE Bryan, LI Shane Shangxuan, LIN Jason, LIU Mike, LU Kevin, MAO Chi, MUSULIN Bailey, NAKAMURA Kazuo, NAM Andrew, NG Matthew, NGUYEN Timothy Hoang, NIXON Jesse, TAING Anthony, TAN Anthony, THAKUR Anantnath, WONG Ki On Alex, WU Edward, WU Madison, ZHAO Zhi Yuan, ZHOU Yilun

Class 9R

AMROMIN Boris, BAI Gary, BEARE William Wesley, CHAMBERS Keith Li, CHEN William, CHEONG Hideyoshi, CHIANG Desmond, DENG Bohan, GEORGE Thomas, HUANG Chris, JIN Kevin, KAWAHASHI Ryo, KE Kevin, KULASINGHE Yoshika, LAU Kelvin, LIANG Kelvin, LIANG Kevin, LIU Yisheng, LU Jia Teng, MAH Leonard, MOSTAFA Niyaz, NADIR Adilmorad, NGUYEN Benjamin, NOSSAR Dimitri, PARK Joonho, PARK Jun, TRAJCEVSKI Andrew, TRAN Johnson, WANG Chen Yu, WU Angus, WU Jonathan, XU Sunny, YAN Angelo, ZHANG Samuel, ZHOU David

Class 9S

AHN Daniel, CHAN Brian, CHEN Daniel, CHEN Yu-Fan, DAVIS Jake, GORDON Dexter, HE Gary, HOSSAIN Tahmeed, HUANG Gordon, HUANG Hardy, KING Phillip, LAM Andy, LAM Martin, LI Richard, LIBMAN Michael, LIM Jason, LIU Hua Jun, MO Brian, NGO Stephen, PHILLIS Nicholas, SI Stanley, SIU Michael, TAN Jackson, TRAN Bosco, TRAN Brian, TRAN Timothy, WANG Daniel, WANG Eddy, YE Louis, YIP Jonathan, ZHANG Sheng An, ZHAO Beisi, ZHOU Jimmy

Class 9T

BANH William, BARI Niyazul, CHEN Garry, CHEN Kai Hao, FATTORE Brendan, GAO Victor, HAN Evan, HASLAM Daniel, HUSSAINI Ibrahim, JOSEPH Renjith, LIANG Garwerd, LOIZOU Loizos, LU Andrew, LUO Yi Dong, MALOOF Joshua, MORSHED Alvee, NARULA Aashray, NASSIF Thomas, RYAN Peter, SETHI Tarun Shyam, TAING Darren, TJAHHOKUSUMO Jason, TRAN Joshua, TSEU-TJOA Oliver, VATANDOUST Shayan, VO Julian, WANG Carl Yi, WANG Shuxiang, XU Vincent, YANG Carl, YANG Jeremy, ZHANG Jonathan, ZHANG Tyson, ZHOU Jack

Class 10E

CAO Richard, CHAN Jeremy, CHEN Alan, CHEN Calvin, CHENG Sunny, CHONG Kevin, DAO Andrew, DE FONSEKA Lasith, DU William, HOU Bowrun, HU Allan, HUTCHISON Jack, IP Ronald, KONG Nathan, LE Jason, LIU Geoffrey, LIU Samuel, LOI Allan, QIAN Gordon, QIN Gordon, SHAO Daniel, SHARMA Lokesh, SHI Allan, SHI Charlie, SUN Derek, TAN Willars, TANG Joseph, TRAN Anthony, ZHANG Andrew, ZHANG Daniel, ZHANG Haotian, ZHANG Jason, ZHANG Matthew, ZHENG Glanden, ZHOU Willie

Class 10F

ALI Abdul, ANSON Ned, CAO Andrew, CHANDRADAS Dinesh, CHEN Burton, CHEN Byron, CHENG Ray, CHEUNG Andrew, COOPER Jesse, FARRUGIA George, GALLAGHER Samuel, GAO Pinyan, GARRETT Jason, HANCOX Brendan, HUGHES Michael, HUO James, JI Hawk, KHAN Sharek, LI David, LIU Andrew, LU Waylon, MA Jeremy, MAN Yu Peng, NORONHA Shawn, RISTESKI Robert, SALEH Soloman, SETHI Sunchit, STEPHENS Peter, SUBRAMANIAN Sid, SUTTON Nathan, TAYEH Andrew, WANG Christopher, WARING Jens, YU Jacky, ZHANG Daniel

Class 10M

ALEXANDRATOS Michael, BARANWAL Shobhan, CHAN Christopher, CHEN Anthony, CHEN Christopher, CHEN Leighton, CHOI Grant, DU Tom, FANG Ray, GONG Wenbo, HASSAN Aaron, HAUSER Michael, HUANG Jimmy, KARAHASAN Anes, KONERU Naga, LAU Kohen, LIN James, LIU Kenneth, MALIK Azam, MARINOV Ivaylo, RAWNAK Ryan, SAWANG Michael, TAN Robert, TANG Julian, UPATISING Pete, VU Brandon, WANG Edric, WANG Sida, WONG Yiu Tao, WU William, YANG Norman, YANG Victor, ZHANG Victor, ZHUANG Wei Li

Class 10R

ARULMURUGAN Rakulan, CHEN Toby, CHOI Peter, CHUNG Steven, COMNINOS Steve, FLYNN Mitchell, FONG Terry, FREIBERG Jonathan, FUNG Michael, GUAN Brendan, GUO Robert, IRWIN Riley, LALEE Mesbaah, LEE Eugene, LEE Lokgei, LEO Joshua, LIN James, LIN Samuel, LONG Oliver, MA Jemy, NAGARAJ Sagar, NG Justin, SELVAKKUMAR Niroshan, SUNDERASAN Karthik, TRAN Dan, VUONG Peter, WANG-LY Nathan, WU Minghao, XIE Bevan, XU Harrison, YANG William, ZHANG Kevin, ZHOU William

Class 10S

BAKER Grant, BAO Andy, BELL Stefan, BUI Andrew, CHEN Leon, DUONG Damian, GARG Tushaar, GU Howard, JO Young Suk Jay, KETKEO Christopher, KUANG Alex, KUANG Junjie, KWONG Brendan, LANE Joshua, LIU Kaiwei, LIU Weber, NGUYEN Timothy, OU Ethan, PHAM James, QI Alan, SEROUKAS John, TRUONG Brian, WANG Andy, WANG Eatrend, WANG Sean, XIN Michael, YU James, YUAN Anthony, ZENG Charlie, ZHANG Alan, ZHANG Jason, ZHANG Victor, ZHOU Byron, ZHOU Henry

Class 10T

CHEN Allen, CHIN Ricky, EVANS David, FANG Daniel, FENG David, GILL LEE Jet, HAMILTON Michael, HE Andrew, HUANG Jackson, HUYNH Brandon, KONG Brendan, KWOK Gideon, LAM Philip, LEE Andrew, LI Darren, LI Richard, LIU Hong Jian, LU Kevin, LY Randy, PHAM Samuel, PHILLIS Samuel, RONG Andrew, SHAO Oscar, SHI Andrew, SIM Perry, THAI Brandon, VIMALANATHAN Sai, WONG Aaron, XING Alfred, YI Rex, YU Eric, YU Michael, YU Tae-Won, ZHAO Jeffrey

Class 11E

CAO James, CHAN Darryl, CHAN James, CHAU Albert, CHEN Kavan, CHEW Victor, CHIEN Darren, DIEN Denny, FENG Allan, FENG Xu-Dong, GAO Justin, HO Kenneth, HU Jason, HUGHES Thomas, JIN Bob, JULCA CUI Kim, KIM Daniel, KOSLOWSKI Wilber, KUMARESWARAN Sumen, LAM Jason, LAM Maurice, LEUNG Brian, LI Edwin, LI Ian, LI Jerry, LUU Edward, MAH Dominic, NGUYEN Alexander, NORMAN Jay, RYNSAARDT Patrick, TAM Daniel, WANG James, WEI Andrew, XU Johnson, YU Eamon

Class 11F

BUI Andrew, CAO Edward, CHANG Michael, CHEN Patrick, EKENGARD Marcus, GIANG Kevin, HE Brian, HU Yang, JAMES Marcus, JIAN Jacky, KIRK Oliver, KLAUZNER Ilya, LE River, LI Michael, LIANG Mendel, MAI Han Lin, MO Benjamin, PALLANDI Jaan, STOJANOVIC Marco, TANG Nelson, VO Danny, WEI Daniel, WONG Dennis, WU Andrew, WU Tin, YING Kongwei, YU Jiamin, YU Kenneth, ZHANG David, ZHANG Lawrence, ZHOU Terence, ZHU Hardy, ZHU Jacky

Class 11M

CHAN Ashley, CHEN George, CHEW Timothy, CHOI William, DENG Martin, DHAMOON Kritman, GERLACH Geoffrey, GHEZELBASH Dennis, HE Edgar, HO Erwin, JOSHI Tushar, KUANG Kenny, LAM Jackson, LI Ken, LIN Nicholas, LY Elbert, MA James, MAO Chris, MERONI Oliver, NGO Steven, PAN Kin, PUNEKAR Arjun, RAMESH Anirudh, ROBINSON Connor, SAGGAR Dhruv, TAM William, THAYALAN Visakan, TRAN Ronald, VYAS Khushaal, WENG Jason, XIE Wilton, XU Alex, YORK Calum, ZHANG Edward

Class 11R

ANGELL Braden, BARACEROS James, CHANG William, GU Howjer, GUO Stephen, HAVIER Thomas, HUANG Ian, HUSSAINI Sikandar, KO Dong, LAZARUS Nevin, LI Marshall, LIN Daniel, LIU Kenny, LIU Michael, LU Jeffrey, LUONG Simon, MA William, NENE Sameer, NGUYEN Anthony, NGUYEN Nam, OW Terence-Kent, PEREIRA Alexander, PHAM Kevin, PHAM Vincent, PILIEN Timothy, THOM Aidan, WANG Shuming, WU Wilbert, WU Ying, XI Ryan, YANG Jeffrey, YEUNG Jasper, ZHANG Frank, ZHENG Jason

Class 11S

CHA Andrew, CHEN James, CHUNG Jisoo, COSTA Nicholas, DOSANJH Arshdeep, DU Sherman, DUONG Dennis, GONG Michael, HO Victor, HUANG Ken, JONES Louis, KIM Jonathan, KOO Edward, LAM Hayden, LI Terence, LI Tony, LUO Yongbin, NI Jeffrey, PENG Jeff, PHAM Terence, PRAPAKARAN Vishakulan, SUBASINGHE Thilan, THUSHYANTHAN Shivaangar, TRAN Dominic, TU William, VU Andrew, XU Carl, XU Eric, YIP Jerry, ZHANG Hans, ZHOU Anthony, ZHOU Scott, ZHU Louis

Class 11T

AUTAR Nirav, BHAKRI Vasu, BUI Don, CEN William, CEN Wilson, CHAO Max, CHEN Derek, CHEN Ricky, CHO Junhee, CHUNG Timothy, CLEMENTS-LENDNUM Jonathan, COLLIER Timothy, CORDAS Daniel, DAO James, DENG Bill, DEWAN Ryan, DUFFY Owen, DUMONET Tigger, DZERO George, JOSEPH Anoj, KALUVE Anup, KELLY Eamon, KEOGH Daniel, KERR Albert, LEE Gordon, LEE Jonathan, METCALF Ivor, NAYAK Agnish, PUVANENDRAN Vitthuran, RABONE Hayden, SHI Yuan, STONEHAM Alan, SUFIAN Safat, VLATKO Nicholas, WANG Austin

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

The school family has traditionally played a vital role in promoting Sydney Boys High's objective of developing scholar sportsmen. One forum for the involvement of parents is through the SBHS P&C, which through 2012, continues to provide financial and in-kind support to school projects and programs. Highlights include:

1. the continuing success of the sole whole of School family function – SBHS Big Night Out - hosted by the P&C;
2. refinement of our approach via the New Parents Welcome to assist parents in becoming involved in the School community, emphasising the importance and benefits of co-curricular involvement for both boys and parents;
3. the expanded role of P&C Sub-committees in co-operation with MICs, in the financial management of co-curricular programs;
4. expansion of the Information Sessions to encompass all Year groups;
5. representation on the Working Committee for the joint building project with SGHS.
6. representation on the re-activated School Sports Council.
7. substantial profits contributed to the School by the Canteen.

The P&C is well served by a dedicated group of parents who give freely of their time on the Executive committee in support of the school. Thank you to Geoff Andrews (Vice President), Jason Chen (Vice President), Anne Wall (Secretary), Richard James (Treasurer) and Julie Connolly (Assistant Treasurer) for their work in 2012. Thank you to Usha Arvind (Student Wellbeing Committee Representative) and Nan Chen (Big Night Out Coordinator) for their valuable contributions. Sachiyo James and Nina Liu returned to coordinate the P&C catering for parents during Open Day, Orientation Day and other P&C events with their typical unwavering warmth and enthusiasm. Jason Chen and a team of willing volunteers continued to provide substantial support for new parents in the transition to High through the Parent Mentor Program. Thank you to all.

Year Group (7 to 12) Parent Representatives provide a vital link between the P&C and parents. 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. The Year Group parents have been active in disseminating essential information and organising social evenings for their year groups.

This year sees a number of long serving parents leaving the P&C as their sons' time at High comes to an end. The P&C and the school community owe an enormous debt of gratitude to Julie Connolly and Geoff Andrews who have served the P&C and the school for many years. They leave the P&C having driven a significant number of reforms which will provide benefits for school and students alike for many years to come. Their efforts for the P&C were only one component of their overall commitment to the school, and they will remain the standard for some time into the future. Richard James, Deborah Dukes and Jeanette Brokman have themselves been selfless contributors and we thank them for their time on the P&C executive. Thank you very much for all that you have done. You will all be sorely missed.

P&C Funding Contributions to School Programs

Over \$160,000 has been disbursed by the P&C to the School during the year for a variety of projects, including: the purchase of a 29 seat bus to replace the aging Coaster (\$102,000) completion of the data projection and sound system project in classrooms (\$25,000); assist with funding for the School Liaison Officer (\$10,000) offset the cost of road works to the school (\$10,000) purchase of video cameras (\$9,000) and funding for the provision of a third Year 7 adviser (\$5,000). This ongoing high level of financial support for School programs is only possible with the support of parents 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.

A very special thanks to the unsung heroes of the Canteen Sub-committee, led by Sharon Hughes and Frances Salmon, who together with the permanent Canteen staff, Karen and Tracey and our large group of parent volunteers, have delivered over \$70,000 back to the School this year. The dedication and energy of the Canteen team continues to produce outstanding dividends.

P&C Events

There is a growing band of committed members of the P&C who have assisted in exceptional and numerous ways to P&C activities. Thank you to the team of organisers and parent chefs for delivering another successful whole School community event. The SBHS Big Night Out held in April was, despite rain and traffic issues, another great success with food stalls, music and dance from the many cultures represented in the School. February's Welcome Evening was instrumental in helping our new parents engage quickly with the school community. P&C meeting highlights for 2012 included a presentation by Anna Liu of *ParentCalm* who offered parents a different perspective on selective school education. This presentation was part of the SGHS-SBHS joint meeting hosted by Sydney Boys High P&C.

Co-curricular Sub-committees

Parent involvement is essential to the fundraising and organisation of the extensive co-curricular program available to High students. Many of these co-curricular activities are not available at other public schools. Thank you to the parent Sub-committees and their teams of parent volunteers for their exceptional efforts throughout 2012.

Co-curricular Sub-committees raised over \$180,000 in car parking revenues to provide coaching, equipment and facilities for their activities. Significant progress has been made in the organisation and financial management of co-curricular programs with P&C Sub-committees working closely with their MICs for improved management outcomes. Involvement in Sub-committees continues to provide parents with an opportunity to contribute to their son's education, from volunteering for car parking or BBQ rosters through to chairing a Sub-committee. In 2012, the P&C has taken on a broader role in the management and disbursement of revenue from car parking.

P&C Projects

The P&C Executive and Year Group representatives worked hard through the year on several ongoing P&C projects. These include:

1. Providing support for the proposed Governors Centre for Excellence in Education through participation on the joint project committee and participation in fund-raising efforts.
2. Supporting the Sports Council's objectives regarding changes to the way in which the school's sports programmes are administered.
3. Increasing community participation in co-

curricular programs and whole School events.

4. Continuing to refine the New Parent Welcome Evening presentation to more clearly inform parents of their opportunities to be involved in the community of Sydney Boys High School to the benefit of their son's education.

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 to Geoff Andrews (Foundation Chair) and Julie Connolly (Secretary) for their contributions to the business of the Foundation on behalf of the P&C.

P&C Representation on the School Council

Thank you to Julie Connolly (President), Geoff Andrews and Deborah Dukes who represented the P&C at School Council meetings. At Council, the P&C contributed a community perspective on various School policies, changes to the sports programme and budgeting being a significant area of our focus this year.

P&C Representation on the Sports Council

This year Julie Connolly, Geoff Andrews and Anne Wall represented the P&C on the re-activated Sports Council. The Sports Council reflects the P&C and school's commitment to promoting the ideal of the scholar sportsman.

During the year, the parent community also participated on selection panels for the appointment of teaching and administrative positions within the School. Thank you to all involved.

There is a great level of cooperation and common purpose between Dr Jaggar, the School Executive and Staff, the School Council, the SHS Foundation, the SHS Old Boys Union and the P&C. We thank all of these individuals and organisations for their interest and support throughout the year and look forward to continuous improvement during 2013. Particular thanks to Mr Con Barris, who so often is called on to provide logistical support to P&C initiatives.

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 purpose to develop scholar sportsmen.

Ian Sweeting, President SBHS P&C

Canteen Report

Sydney Boys High canteen provides an extensive menu of healthy and homemade foods aimed at satisfying the nutritional needs of hungry boys. We aim to provide a high quality of choice with fresh foods made on the premises.

We are one of the few remaining school canteens which are not privately run. We are fortunate to have our extremely capable Managers Karen Barry and Tracey Trompp running the canteen. On behalf of the committee and the school community we thank you. We also thank Katie Trompp for her able assistance throughout the year. Without their commitment and reliability our canteen would not be operating in such an efficient manner.

We are also grateful to our Year 12 Prefects who volunteer their time in the canteen, giving up their lunch breaks.

Most importantly thank you to our parent and other volunteers. We all lead very busy lives and the assistance of those who give up their free time and re-arrange work commitments to help in the canteen is invaluable and much appreciated. Without your help it would not be possible to supply the food which the boys enjoy so much.

With all canteen profits being returned to the P&C, the canteen is able to forward substantial contributions to the school for necessary



Assistant Manager Katie Trompp and the Canteen Managers Tracey Trompp and Karen Barry

equipment purchases and upgrades which benefit all of our son's education. This year we were able to contribute \$40,000.00 in term two and another \$40,000.00 in term four. So far these funds have been used as follows:-

\$25,000 Final completion of the data projector/ PC/sound system installation for the school

\$5,000 Funding for the third Year Adviser for Year 7

\$10,000 Assistance with funding for our Community Services, Student Support and School Liaison Officer

\$10,000 Rebate for school expenditures on roads/playgrounds upgrade

\$8,900 Additional video cameras for film making

\$10,000 Replacement coaster bus

We look forward to the continued support of parents in the future.

Sharon Hughes
Canteen President 2012

*Parent and grandparents
Irene Ben, Nina Ilina and Vila
Bai Bing.*



Sydney High School Foundation Report

The Sydney High School Foundation plays a vital role in facilitating many of the activities and opportunities provided by SBHS as a leading public high school and a GPS School.

The Foundation is an incorporated association managed by representatives from the Parents and Citizens' Association and the Old Boys' Union, working with the School Principal. A number of the School's facilities are in the care of the Foundation so they can be used to the greatest possible benefit for the School. The Foundation assists with the management of the Great Hall and the cricket nets and manages the tennis courts, the High Store, the McKay playing fields and Fairland Pavilion, the Outterside Centre rowing sheds, the Sydney High School Building Fund, the art collection in the School and four other trust funds for scholarships, assistance and academic prizes for the boys.

These are facilities and resources that no other public school enjoys. Nearly all of them have been provided through the efforts and contributions of previous generations of parents and old boys. The Foundation's task is to maintain and extend these resources for the benefit of current and future generations of students.

2012 saw considerable progress in meeting these challenges. Highlights included:

- Substantial maintenance, upgrade and reconfiguration of facilities at the Outterside Centre funded by rent from co-use of the facilities by two girls' schools;
- The receipt of Development Consent for building alterations to increase the capacity of the Outterside Centre and submission of a Development Application for extended use of the facility;
- Substantial maintenance of the Fairland Pavilion including completion of the internal refurbishment;
- Further discussions with the Centennial Park Trust regarding hire of the Fairland Pavilion to other parties by the Foundation when not in use by the School and to allow external repainting and an upgrade of the Pavilion surrounds and a possible upgrade of the McKay Playing Fields;
- Additional maintenance of the tennis courts and completion of the new sub-licence agreement

for the courts on terms more favourable to the School and the Foundation;

- Increased revenue from hire of all facilities to external users, when not being used by the School, which will be used to fund future projects and school activities;
- Upgraded processes and software for the High Store to allow incoming parents to book individual sessions from November 2012 and to allow online sales from 2013;
- Renaming the Sydney High School Centenary Building Fund the Sydney High School Building Fund and reorganising the Fund to receive all building fund donations for the School and manage a long term fund for projects such as the Governors Centre joint project with Sydney Girls High School;
- Provision by the Building Fund of more than \$70,000 towards maintenance of School and Foundation assets and over \$90,000 to the long term project funds;
- Establishment of Sydney Boys High School Anzac Trust Fund to provide funding assistance to students who might otherwise be unable to participate fully in school activities;
- Increased interest distributions from all the Trust Funds to the School to be applied for the purposes of the Funds.

The Foundation has also identified some future projects and is developing the arrangements and funding needed to implement them. Given the unique involvement of SBHS in GPS and other co-curricular activities, there are many needs and many challenges but the Foundation is now in a stronger position to provide, progressively, further facilities and resources to the School.

For their tireless efforts during the year, I would like to thank Michelle Gentele in the High Store and James Hsieh, our accountant, as well as all the members of the Foundation Management Committee and the Outterside Centre Management Committee, our venue managers and the many other voluntary parent and old boy workers who enable the Foundation to function.

Geoff Andrews, Chairman

Old Boys Union

The past year has seen further consolidation of the OBU.

Most importantly, the appointment of James Brown (2005) as database manager will help us ensure we get the best use out of our new database. We are already seeing measurable results from James' activities. Thank you to the group, led by Michael Jarvin (1974), which has supported this enterprise.

We have improved communication with Old Boys, particularly more recent Old Boys, with the establishment of an OBU Facebook page, now with over 600 members. Thanks to Yaegan Doran (2005) and Karl Kruszelnicki (2005) for organising this. Yaegan has also contributed some high quality items for the "old school" High Bulletin.

The Facebook page has also provided support for the newly-established Sydney High School Motorcycle Club. We hope that it will provide the platform for many other special interest groups within the Old Boy community.

Successful continuing projects include:

- The expansion of the mentorship program to include a university mentorship scheme (in addition to the career mentorship scheme) with around 35 mentors on the books and some 80 students seeking advice. We have also started organising career seminars for younger Old Boys. Thanks, again, to Karl Kruszelnicki (2005) for his efforts in this field.
- The SHOBs Rugby team has had another successful season, having reached the semi-finals in the under 85kg suburban competition. Thanks, again, to Shahr Merom (2009) for taking on the organisation of this endeavour.
- The continued operation of our website – www.shsobu.org.au and the production of our regular e-Bulletins, which report on news and developments within the school family and provide information on social functions, career and networking opportunities organised by the School, its old boys and the GPS OBU Council.
- The participation of the classes of 1979 and 1980 in the biannual GPS Gold Challenge – a sporting contest for GPS Old Boys who have recently reached 50 years of age.

The OBU also continues to supply delegates to the various School governance bodies and other organisations. I would like to place on record my personal appreciation of all who have served in these roles in 2011-12:

- School Council – Dennis Briggs (1967), who retired as President of the Council this year, and Geoff Andrews (1964);
- Sydney High School Foundation – Graeme Anderson (1979), Eric Wong (2000) (Treasurer) and Andrew Hii (1999);
- Outterside Centre Management Committee – Graeme Anderson (1979) and Cam Lyon (1964); and
- GPS Old Boys' Union Council – Ross Bowey (1974).

The annual accounts for 2011 recorded a deficit of around \$7,000. This demonstrates what can happen when the maintenance of current operations takes a back seat to the development of new initiatives. The progress achieved in the past 10 months has more than reversed this trend and we stand in a much stronger position as we move towards closing the books on 2012.

Some priorities for the coming 12 months include further work on formalising the arrangements for supporting year reunions and better engagement with the current students and their families over the scheme for the payment of life membership by instalments. This latter scheme allows current students to secure life membership by paying six annual contributions throughout the passage from Year 7 to Year 12. At the conclusion of six years, each student is then presented with a certificate of Life Membership at the Year 12 farewell assembly.

The OBU is conscious of its responsibility to support the School's pre-eminent position in public education and to continue the many forms of direct and indirect assistance that Old Boys have always given to the School. I would like to conclude with my sincere thanks to all members of the Executive Council who have contributed to achieving these ends and supported the successful operation of the OBU over the past year.

Joseph Waugh PSM, President

Welfare Report

At a recent 'Breaking the Silence Conference' held by the White Ribbon Foundation and the Department of Education (17 October, 2012), the keynote speaker Dr Sue Dyson from La Trobe University presented her views about cultural change being a matter for the whole school community and not an addition to the student curriculum. She pointed out the ways in which different schools shaped their approaches to meet the needs of their individual communities. She used her research in a wide variety of schools to discuss principles for change, including the importance of focusing on respect as a broad concept applicable across all areas of the school community, and the importance of leadership as a key determinant of success.

These same factors have long been the foundation for the Welfare Programs which exist at Sydney Boys High School. We seek to tailor the learning to fit our unique context by creating experiences which are challenging, practical and authentic and which provide an intrinsic knowledge and understanding of personal wellbeing, social justice and global citizenship concepts. Throughout 2012, a growing understanding and demonstration of respectful relationships among all areas of the school community has become a central component of current and future projects and will form an even greater focus in forward planning. Dr Jaggar's vision of an integrated approach to student welfare and the support provided by every level of the school staff and community groups has been a great advantage in achieving these aims. This is further strengthened by the expertise of outside agencies which assist in the presentation of some of our leading programs.

Rising Generations

As our leadership development opportunities grow and diversify, so too does our need to provide exemplary skills for our aspiring leaders. We have enlisted the assistance of Rising Generations (leadership development specialists) to deliver effective and distinctive material to our groups. This year they worked with teachers to present seminars to our Prefects, Community Service and SRC Executives and our Peer Support trainees. Evaluation of material by both teachers and students was extremely positive after each seminar conducted. This specialist approach offers valuable opportunities for close partnerships and successful

leadership outcomes. We look forward to continuing our work with Rising Generations in the future.

Elevate Education

Another valued partnership which has developed is through our study skills seminars held for the whole of Year 11 at the beginning of the school year and with a select group of students (Academic Support Group) which consists of those from each year who have been identified as requiring additional support to make further progress. *Elevate* tailor their material to target skills and strategies students can apply easily to maximise their acquisition of knowledge and their application of effective study techniques, time management skills, essay scaffolding, revision planning and goal setting. Throughout the year the Welfare Committee meet with the directors of Elevate Education to discuss appropriate dates, materials and strategies of delivery to ensure we have assisted individual students and groups to gain continued levels of achievement and success.

Brainstorm Productions and Motivational Media

Each year we organise Media and Theatre in Education groups to present pertinent and thought provoking material to our students which relate specifically to their stage of personal development or to contemporary issues which need to be addressed by schools.

This year Brainstorm Productions presented two new shows to our school.

Cyberia (Year 10) is about a boy and girl who can multi-task and have instant access to personalised information. However, this can create misunderstandings, misinformation, mistakes, stress and isolation, not to mention gaming addiction. Added to this, it is devoid of empathy and human contact.

The Hurting Game (Year 7) takes a daring look at the hurtful games we play at school and in cyber space, to give ourselves a false sense of power and belonging. This work looks at how rumours are spread online, alienation from groups and body image obsession. It also touches on peer pressure, male identity, harassment, bullying, coping with failure and binge drinking.

Both of these new presentations supported the work done this year by our Cyber-Safety Committee

which was organised by Ms Powell (HT History) to investigate issues associated with student cyber-usage and school policy development in this area.

Motivational Media presented *iRisk* which was seen by the whole school. This work focused on the idea of taking and managing risks, calculating consequences, finding a safety net and staying in control. The format involves the use of 3 gigantic screens and some powerful sound effects for major impact. Case studies which relate to the specific focus area are presented in an authentic and practical way so students can consider and evaluate the information and style of presentation.

Proud Schools and Wear It Purple Day

High is one of twelve secondary schools trialling a pilot project to raise awareness of the injustices done to same-sex attracted and gender questioning young people. Whole school policies and strategies to address issues of homophobia, transphobia and heterosexism, including bullying, harassment and violence, need to be developed by the pilot school communities.

Pilot schools have undertaken initial planning to identify their core Proud Schools team which will include other school community members and local support agencies. Schools have also been visited by the state steering committee to share planning related material. Althea Mackenzie from Family Planning has been assigned to our school as part of the support group for the Pilot project. Along with existing support from the Gay and Lesbian liaison officers from the NSW Police and the group known as Twenty10, Althea will assist with the coordination of professional development activities for staff members and parent information events. The Proud Schools team, including our P&C representative (Mrs Usha Arvind), spent a day working with the new coordinators discussing what has been achieved so far and what still needs to be accomplished.

This year we also sent a group of talented students to assist with the design of promotional material which will be considered for use throughout the state as part of the Proud Schools program. The boys produced some outstanding posters which use the concept of 'respect' as the key component in their message. The posters were well received by the steering committee and have now been submitted for further consideration by the Department of Education design team.

Dr Jaggar had this to say about the Proud Schools Pilot in an edition of *High Notes* earlier this year:

Safety At School

At High we have always been socially and culturally diverse and we have celebrated our diversity. The more we talk and write about the right for everyone in our school community to be treated respectfully and to feel safe, the more we will raise awareness of the issue of safety and promote strategies to achieve a great sense of security amongst our boys. All students, from whatever race, creed or culture, with whatever disability or illness and of whatever sexual orientation, have basic rights of physical and psychological safety at school. We work hard to meet the needs of students with physical or mental health issues but do we acknowledge and try as hard to meet the needs of same-sex attracted, questioning or transgendered students? Last week a group comprising four senior staff members, a student and a parent representative, met to discuss this issue and to suggest what first steps High would take in response to the Proud Schools initiative.

The group agreed that three first steps might be effective. First, the School Prefects have agreed to be proactive in speaking to boys in the playground if they hear inappropriate language. They will tell them how their utterances may offend others and that they are unacceptable. Second, the school will conduct an audit of its PDHPE programs to ascertain whether they are meeting the needs of same-sex attracted, questioning or transgendered students. Third, training for teachers was seen to be a vital first step in culture change at the school. (Dr Jaggar – High Notes, March 23, 2012)

A staff development day has been scheduled for the end of the year and a parent information evening is planned for early 2013.

Wear it Purple is a student run, not-for-profit organisation that exists to support young people who identify as sexuality and/or gender diverse. It seeks to raise awareness about the issues faced by these young people and the need to eradicate bullying based on sexuality and gender diversity and to help create a world that is safe for all young people, within which they are free to learn, grow and belong. Wear it Purple believes that everyone has the right to be proud of who they are, and aims to empower young people to be able to do that.

This year SBHS ran its first Wear It Purple Day on 7 September. A large number of students wore purple to show their support. We also invited a member of

the NSW Police to discuss the issues of violence and bullying and a representative from the Wear It Purple organisation to help us launch our first celebration. The forum was held in the Senior Library and was a positive start to an event which will now become a regular part of the school calendar.

Values Education

The use of the Learning Curve Planner remained our VE focus for 2012. Early in the year teachers were able to help students make considered decisions about their preferred learning style, academic goals for the year, assist with the implementation of effective forward planning tools, and establish a realistic daily study and revision timetable. Many took advantage of the opportunity to work cooperatively with parents in monitoring planner usage and parents were informed about how to support their son through the online advice available. Through the year we were visited by Michael Walsh, the author of the planner, to help teachers better understand and utilise the vast amount of material available for use through the various stages and on the website.

For more details about the planner go to: <http://learningcurveplanner.com.au/home.html>

A Values Education review is being held at the end of the year to evaluate the existing program to consider ways the planner can be used even more effectively and to make proposals about how other material might be used in combination with the planner to achieve better outcomes during these timetabled classes.

Big Brother

Our development of the Big Brother Program has taken on new proportions again this year. 61 students applied to go to twenty four schools. This means our boys will have a significant impact on the successful transition of students from those schools to a number of high schools throughout the region. Primary schools which have been involved in the past were more than happy to have our ambassadors again and the feedback from last year has been entirely positive. A number of schools are utilising the skill of our boys as part of their special transition planning. One school, for example, has organised a mock high school week and has enlisted our young men as expert consultants and activity coordinators in the planned events. Another school was so pleased with the work the boys did with their students over their two day visit they requested the same students return for another two days. I would like to congratulate all the boys who successfully completed this valuable program.

Amnesty International

On Friday 19 October, Ms Ayre and Ms Howland took a group of Amnesty enthusiasts to the annual school's Conference. Following is the report written by Sam Phillis about the day:

Report on the Amnesty International Conference at Redfern Community Centre

Friday the 19 October found a small group of Year Ten students from Sydney Boys High School headed to a seminar by Amnesty International to better their understanding of, and position to take action against,



human rights abuses throughout the world.

For those who don't know, Amnesty International is a non-government, not-for-profit organisation with over three million members worldwide, whose focus is "to conduct research and generate action to prevent and end grave abuses of human rights, and to demand justice for those whose rights have been violated". Amnesty was founded in 1961 after the publication of a letter headed "The Forgotten Prisoners" by Peter Benenson in 'The Observer' and since has campaigned tirelessly against human rights abuses, receiving both the Nobel Peace Prize and the United Nations Prize In the field of Human Rights.

Upon arrival we were treated to a lecture by several members of Amnesty International on the topics of what Amnesty is, what they are doing throughout the world and their campaigns against human rights abuses, as well as the abuses that we would be taking 'actions' against that day. Shortly after this, we were spilt into groups to take action against various abuses, the first of which was the "Free Pussy Riot" campaign. Pussy Riot is a feminist, Russian, punk-rock band that was recently imprisoned for singing 'Virgin Mary, redeem us of Putin' in Christ the Saviour Cathedral on 21 February 2012. The 'action' that we undertook was standing together holding 'Pussy Riot' masks over our faces all bearing the slogan "Free Pussy Riot" which would then be compiled with other photos, as well as letters and emails, that have, or will be, sent in by numerous people throughout the world to the Russian Ambassador in support of the band's freedom.

The rest of the day was spent similarly, completing actions including: letter writing for the protection of indigenous peoples in the Niger Delta, whose land had been affected by oil spills, creating video messages in support of Girifna (a peaceful student-led activist movement being oppressed in the Sudan), learning about Malala Yousufzai, a fourteen year old girl who was shot in the head for speaking out against laws forbidding women from attending school, and sending messages to the Prime Minister of Pakistan in relation to her plight, following the tale of an Afghani asylum seeker and the perils he faced in his journey to Australia as well as the treatment he received upon arrival here, and sending letters to our local Members of Parliament asking them for information about, and to take action on, the current plans to send asylum seekers to Nauru.

The day was greatly enlightening, allowing us some insight into some of the less observable human rights

abuses that have been occurring world-wide, and how we can take action against, and raise awareness about, such issues and encourage others to do the same. Furthermore, it allowed us to get a sense of the extent to which such abuses were occurring and how free we are, living in a country where you can speak your mind about politicians and political parties, and have a voice when it comes to oppression and human rights violations in society and the country as a whole.

Should you wish to take action against such human rights issues or simply want to find out more, visit www.amnesty.org.au and have a look around.

Samuel Phillis (10T)

High Resolves

Our High Resolves leaders continue their valuable school-based and community-based projects. In 2012, the Year 9 project involved creating a lesson on bullying aimed at Year 7 as the target audience and focusing on the causes of bullying, strategies for dealing with bullying and a specific look at cyber-bullying. Year 10 students created a petition to convince the NSW government to accept the National Disability Insurance Scheme. They were successful in canvassing approximately 1000 signatures.

The HR Summit was held on Thursday 1 November at the University of NSW. This event brings together all the schools in the Sydney Region which are connected through the High Resolves Initiative. The focus for this summit was the theme of 'The Line' and looked at aspects of global leadership which dealt with doing what's right (working above the line), beginning a journey (traveling along a path or line), persistence (holding the line), taking responsible risks and being open to new experiences (crossing the line), working together (lines of connection) and determining the values you stand for (drawing the line).

The boys heard from two senior executives from the Deloitte group including Lucy Buchanan who was a national finalist in the 2013 Business Woman of the Year program and the CEO, Giam Siegers who is part of the Male Champions of Change Board working to ensure the issue of women's representation in leadership is elevated on the national business agenda. They also heard from Chris Raine, a social entrepreneur from Brisbane, who started a blog called *Hello Sunday Morning* which began as a personal challenge not to drink for a year and developed into a movement to change the world's relationship with



alcohol. Chris is currently the Young Australian of the Year in Queensland. Finally there was a presentation from Dean Delia who is part of the High Resolves national management team and who recently returned from rural Kenya, where he spent a month living in a tent helping to build a school and learning more about how to run successful and sustainable international development projects. The day was a great learning experience for the boys and highlights the valuable partnership we have developed with High Resolves over the past five years.

I would like to thank Mr Coan for his continued commitment and enthusiasm for this program. I would also like to give a special thanks to Lee Martin, our High Resolves Project Manager for his work with the boys and his assistance with the SBHS presentation to the National Breaking the Silence Conference in October this year. Lee presented seminar material about the work accomplished by our High Resolves 'Gen Eq' group (Yr 10- 2010) who are now in Year 12 and whose community project has been acclaimed at an international level. His caring guidance of our groups of boys ensures we have continued growth in high level leadership development.

Peer Support

Our Peer Support program involves a day of basic training which is undertaken by the whole of Year 9 and a further half day program which is delivered to about eighty students who have been selected by supervising teachers as candidates who best exemplify the skills required for effective peer support leaders. These PS leaders are then allocated to a group of Yr 7 students and managed by the PS coordinating teacher while they conduct their transition activities. This whole program has been supervised by Ms Berger for a number of years now. I would like to thank her for the efficient and highly professional way she has maintained this program.

We will be changing the structure for 2013 and it will now be supervised by the three new Year 7 Advisers. However, we will require the benefit of Ms Berger's knowledge and wisdom, gained over many years, in order to ensure our new arrangements continue the effective implementation of this valuable system of care

and support for our new students.

Peer Mediation

Thanks to Ms Barr who has this year completed the training of ten specially selected students to become peer mediators in 2013. This program continues to provide an alternative process for students seeking support for dealing with issues arising from conflict with peers. The PM program confirms that open, honest discussion and a guided, negotiated and collaborative approach can be a valuable process for overcoming relationship issues and problem solving in general.

Year Advisers and the Wellbeing Team

I would like to conclude by thanking the team of people who care so deeply for the wellbeing of the boys at this school. This year was the first time we had a group of three advisers responsible for Year 7. This model has been so successful, Dr Jaggar has recommended we continue it into the future and extend the same model into Year 8 in 2013. The role of the Year 7 Adviser has grown to include literacy, and now Peer Support. The level of attention and nurturing the Year Advisers are able to provide has significantly improved as a result of the new structure. I thank Mr Jamie Kay, Ms Mina Genias and Ms Ingrid Hybler for their patience and effort in making this process of change a huge success and for assisting with the succession planning for the 2013 team of Year 7 Advisers (Mr Aldous, Ms Eggleton, Ms Mack). It is the commitment, caring and expertise of people like the Year Advisers and the other members of the Wellbeing Team which enables us to offer such a wide variety of programs and why our students gain so much from their participation in them.

John Walker (Head Teacher Student Welfare)

Student Representative Council



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Back Row: G.Sutton, E.Kelly, E.Zhang, S.Noronha.

Third Row: S.Dhingra, A.Dao, A.Nam, A.Nadir, N.Anson.

Second Row: Mr A.Cipolla (Co-ordinator), W.Tang, L.Hoad, G.Liang, A.Dutta, J.Song, R.Ding.

Front Row: E.Hall, W.Chen, K.Vyas (Vice President), S.Wang (President), A.Nguyen (Secretary), R.Gu, T.Li.



Peer Support

Back Row: H.Xu, L.Lee, B.Truong, B.Xie, S.Comninos, G.Qin, S.Phillis, A.Shi, A.Karahasan, M.Hauser.

Third Row: G.Choi, J.Zhang, P.Vuong, A.Chen, N.Selvakkumar, T.Garg, W.Yang, O.Qian, W.Liu, J.Le, A.Kuang, M.Fang, J.Zhao.

Second Row: T.Fong, D.Fang, J.Kuang, D.Duong, G.Zheng, B.Kong, E.Lee, W.Zhuang, R.Arulmurugan, K.Chang, C.Wang, W.Zhou, H.Xu.

Front Row: A.Wong, A.Bui, A.Bao, J.Huang, K.Liu, E.Ou, Ms B.Berger, R.Rawnak, B.Thai, G.Baker, V.Zhang, C.Zeng, G.Liu.

Seated on Ground: A.Tayeh, J.Huo, R.Irwin, S.Pham, L.Chen, Y.Wong, P.Lam, A.Chen.



Peer Mediation

Back Row: D.Mah, T.Zhou, G.Dzero, J.Pallandi, E.Li.

Second Row: S.Luong, V.Ho, K.Ho, M.Chang, J.Peng, V.Bhakri.

Front Row: A.Nguyen, H.Mai, I.Li, S.Wang (Senior Mediator), A.Cha, E.Xu, A.Chau.

Community Service Committee

Besides the many other roles Mr Phillipson fulfils within the school, he also coordinates all the Community Service events and the administration required which enables our students to work so efficiently in this domain of their school learning. I thank him for his consistency, enthusiasm and his expectation of excellence from the students.

This year has been even more productive than the last, as outlined in the chairman's report which follows:

2012 has been a successful year for the Community Service Committee, with increased involvement in a range of initiatives. Beyond merely fundraising, we have become actively involved in more hands-on volunteer work and awareness-raising.

Our first Crazy Hair Day raised awareness for the Leukaemia Foundation and we contributed over

\$8200. Also at school, Red Nose Day merchandise was a sell-out by recess, making \$600 for SIDS and Kids NSW. Other events held to raise awareness were: Harmony Day – Celebrating cultural differences, White Ribbon Day – Elimination of violence against women and Wear it Purple Day – Supporting rainbow youth at risk. Our Red Cross Blood Drives saved many people, whilst the selling of Ramen for Oasis was also successful.

A particular success of the year has been increased community involvement. The Convo@Clevo program has continued this year, with over sixty students attending Cleveland Street Intensive English High School as mentors. Bourke Street Buddies (Bourke Street Primary School) and Kidzone (Vincetian House Crisis Centre) have also gained momentum. New community outreach programmes in 2012 include our



Community Service

Back Row: O.Meroni, G.Dzero, E.Zhang.

Second Row: S.Wang, E.Xu, G.Liang (Publicity Co-ordinator), J.Edgton (Treasurer),
S.Saleh (Events Co-ordinator), J.Chen.

Front Row: S.Quazi (Events Co-ordinator), K-Y.Wong, J.Vuong, T.Iyer (Chairman), Z.Mohamed Rizvi,
S.Sethi (Events Co-ordinator), O.Lee.

after school volunteers at Kira Kids Childcare Centre and school holiday volunteer driver assistants at the Sir Roden and Lady Cutler Foundation. Also new this year, the PAWS group has extended the involvement of our school's community services to include raising awareness for the welfare of animals.

Continuing with tradition, mufti days and barbeques raised \$11,197 for five of the Year charities that we support: Stewart House (Year 7), Jeans for Genes (Year 8), Boggabilla Central School (Year 9), Lak Saviya Foundation (Year 10) and Sir Roden and Lady Cutler Foundation (Year 11). We also sold Ramen for Oasis (Year 12) outside the canteen on a few winter mornings.

External events, especially the early morning CBD collections, have doubled in popularity this year. Students have given up their time to fundraise for Jeans for Genes Day, Daffodil Day, Legacy Day, Salvation Army Red Shield Appeal, Bandage Bear Day, the Starlight Foundation, Red Nose Day and Pink Ribbon Day. Again, Year 12 students volunteered their time to raise money for the Salvation Army's Oasis Youth Support Network and Year 11 spent a day collecting for



the Sir Roden and Lady Cutler Foundation.

By early November, with just two events remaining, the CSC had already amassed \$118,327 for eighteen charities – well on track to top our record target of \$120,000.

I would like to thank everyone who has been involved with Community Services this year; especially Dr Jaggar, Mr Walker and Mr Phillipson for their support. Finally, I would like to wish good luck to the next group of Community Service Committee members for the upcoming year.

Tejas Iyer, Chairperson 2012



Fundraising at Wynyard Park during Pink Ribbon Day – Y11 students Junhee Cho, Anthony Nguyen and Thomas Havier (left to right).

PAWS (People and Animal Welfare Society)

PAWS is a society which was first initiated by Ms Stephens and Ms Williams to raise awareness about animal welfare in society. We have learnt about animal cruelty and about how animals serve humans in a range of different areas such as guide dogs, drug detection dogs, elephants who help move timber in forests and dolphins who help the military.

One of the first things our society did was to help an organisation called Peanuts Funny Farm. Peanuts' mission is

to bring as many disadvantaged, neglected and abused children and animals together as possible and provide care and rehabilitation for both. We came up with the brilliant idea of a raffle to raise money for this cause. After over one month of selling tickets to both Sydney Boys and Sydney Girls schools, along with using our expert salesmanship skills, we managed to sell nearly \$500 worth of tickets. As a reward, we decided to visit Peanuts Funny Farm as an excursion and hand deliver the results of our fundraising efforts.

Before the raffle was fully organised we were lucky to have received donations from various organisations which included a massive box of chocolates (over one kilogram!), fifty dollars of movie vouchers, fifty dollars of school canteen vouchers, twenty dollars of Bread Top vouchers and five volunteer teacher slaves (THE prize to win!).

The week the raffle was drawn, we went to visit the Peanuts Funny Farm and we took the cheque from the proceeds of the raffle. After nearly two and a half hours of driving and several 'scenic detours' (Ms Williams' cover story for taking a wrong turn), we finally arrived at Peanuts. It was an exciting day as we got to see all the different animals that were saved by the farm and the facilities that cater for the disadvantaged children who come to stay there. Although the farm was quite new, there was a wide range of animals and we visited all of them (except the ducks). We visited horses, ponies, pigs, cows and dogs.

After feeding the horses lots of carrots and receiving lots of information from Tracey from Peanuts about the history of the horses' lives, we visited the two bulls called Bluey and Panda. We fed them lots of carrots, vegetables and bread. Bluey was really friendly and we could pat him, but Panda was a little bit shy.

We also went to a presentation by some local WIRES volunteers. They explained to us what happens when there is a fire, how the land regenerates and how the fire affects all

the animals. They explained to us how sensitive the local wildlife is to bushfires and how many animals would still be affected, even years after the fire.

We then went to see the ponies and fed them some carrots. One of the ponies has cancer and has a problem with his shoulder bone, but he is doing ok. Then we went to see the pigs. Unfortunately two of the pigs pick on the other pig and so Pig Pig has to be separated from them. He has a barn all to himself. This special barn was built by a local resident and supporter named Michael who offers his services to Peanuts on a regular basis for free. Now Pig Pig has a barn all to himself!

We went to sit by the dam for our lunch and we presented Tracey with our cheque. Tracey then gave us all a Certificate of Appreciation and told us a little bit more about how Peanuts Funny Farm came to be. We patted the dogs on our way out after lunch.

This excursion and fundraiser was very enjoyable and we would all like to thank Ms Williams and Ms Stephens for organising this event. A special thank you also to Mr Hayman for driving us in the bus to the farm.

Our future aims are to learn more about how animals are used in and by society and we also hope to raise more money for other animal welfare charities.

Loizos Loizou



McDonald Senior Library

The Senior Library has continued in 2012 to provide a popular hub for senior students for study, essay writing, reading and collaborative work and discussion. The numbers utilising this facility have continued to grow with over **2,000 students coming to the senior library** in one sample week this year! The numbers tend to fluctuate between this peak and around 500 students per week depending on events scheduled in the library like special meetings, exams and other events where the library is closed. When the library becomes overcrowded during lesson times classes are directed to work in the Junior Library.

As the library is often crowded we have had to adopt some strategies to deal with issues which arise from this like noise level and sufficient seating to enable all who wish to study can do so without distraction. Often the noise is purely a product of too many students in a small space with most students collaborating and discussing their work.

New areas in the Senior Library

At the beginning of the year we rearranged furniture, with individual study corals placed together down one end of the library with allocation of this area **to quiet individual study**. The other end, nearer the library entry, has been dedicated **to group/collaborative study and discussion** area as well as a classroom area when teachers utilise this for class/group instruction. These two spaces are separated by portable (movable) library shelving.

These can be wheeled aside when needed to provide space for meetings scheduled in the library.

We are still hoping to extend the library and utilise adjoining rooms which are currently classroom and computer lab and which could eventually be integrated into the Senior Library space. This will ensure that we can continue to grow and develop the collection and provide areas more conducive to the different needs of our students and school community.

Attitudes, on the part of students and school population generally have changed over the last 2-3 years from viewing the library as purely Year 12 common room and a space to relax and spend time, to a **vital learning, inquiry and resource centre** where students accept that this facility is provided to enable them to do serious study, research and collaboration. This in part has been valuable according to school sources that have linked the provision of such a facility with an improvement in the educational outcomes of senior students and ultimately their HSC scores. As well as the rearrangement of space and furniture in the Senior Library, new shelving has been added to house our growing collection.

This year **funding of the library increased** which meant that we can continue building the collection with materials urgently needed to resource the curriculum, provide wide reading choices in fiction, non-fiction, magazines and other resources useful and interesting to senior students like DVDs and a picture book collection suitable for older readers.



Students working before school in Senior Library

Senior Library activities and events in 2012

At the beginning of the school year teachers at SBHS attended a professional development session with State Librarians who showed them the e-resources available online to members of the State Library in NSW. Teachers were shown many subject databases in English, History, Science and Social Science for use of students and teachers in their research assignments as well as Preliminary and HSC resources available through the website.

The Year Ten **State Library program** continued, with all eight classes joining and attending sessions to show them how to access and utilise the huge collection of databases available for research from the NSW State Library website. This access is free to members and allows students to find high quality authoritative information for their subject research and assignments. They can use this card anywhere

including at school and home and in joining this academic institution are setting themselves up for lifelong learning and academic excellence throughout their school and university life and further in their careers.

Author visit a resounding success!

In **Literacy Week** we once again hosted an author visit; this year it was SF "Steampunk" author Richard Harland. His books are set in a revisionist version of 19th century history and have been extremely popular with both years (8 and 10) that were lucky enough to see him speak. Richard grabbed everyone's attention by dressing up appropriately in Steampunk attire with metallic looking top hat embellished with cogs and wheels, an interesting waistcoat with buckles and a jacket with tails completing the outfit, all reminiscent of an earlier technological age. His presentation was a smash hit



Librarians

Back Row: W.Wu, V.Zhang, D.Mah, T.Garg.

Second Row: R.Rawnak, A.Cha, T.Fong, Y.Hu, B.Mo, A.Malik.

Front Row: Ms S.Khanam, L.Sharma, Ms S.Gordon (Senior Library), W.Ho (Library Prefect),
Ms V.Crothers (Junior Library), C.Chen, Mrs R.Arulmurugan.

with the boys clamouring afterwards to purchase his books which he generously offered at cost price. Author visits are an important way to promote reading for pleasure and underlies the benefits of reading to writing and across the curriculum. Better readers make better writers and are generally more successful academically.

2012 is the **National Year of Reading** and in the libraries we have been adding many exciting new resources with the generous budget allocated to us to support and encourage reading for pleasure and educational purposes. The importance of reading cannot be underestimated and we will be continuing to introduce programs that help the boys realise the value of reading for all kinds of purposes and reasons!

To promote and encourage reading and writing directly we have begun a subscription to **online magazine SpineOut** this year. **SpineOut** is published by Good Reading magazine and is a new magazine for young adult writers, artists, musicians and gives young people a way to express themselves. Interesting material written, designed or expressed in the form of writing, film, book reviews, art, songs and music by students may be submitted and will be published online.



Year 12 students with teacher librarian



Magazine area in the Senior Library

We have had some students already submitting their work and our English department is collaborating with the librarians in promoting this fantastic vehicle for all of the creations our students wish to publish.

Staffing of the McDonald Senior Library increased this year

The increase in Library Assistant days from 3 to 5 days per week has meant a real improvement to library services available to senior students and teachers in 2012. Mrs Sharifa Khanam is now full time library assistant in the Senior Library. This ensures that resources can be accessioned and processed in a timely manner for use of students and faculty. It also releases the teacher librarian to assist students more and to provide professional services and programs to support and collaborate with classroom teachers and to work with students with their research and literature assignments and when they come to the Senior Library.

The library has also gained **additional teacher support** and assistance this year every Friday morning when the library is extremely busy with students who choose not to participate in scripture instruction. Mrs Craddock, a longstanding member of the Sydney High staff comes in to assist with the crowds each week. Students complete homework, assignments, read and study during this time.

As well as more professional staff we have been fortunate to have several willing and capable student volunteers who have started assisting us with the many processing and other tasks which

come up in the daily library functioning as well as helping with ideas in promotion of the senior library. We expect that this assistance will always be limited by the increasing pressure on seniors to spend more time studying but we are grateful for those who manage to do so.

Extension of McDonald Senior library opening hours in 2012

After discussion with students individually and formal SRC requests to extend the hours that the senior library is available we have been able to keep the doors open to the end of school time each day, except Wednesday (sports day for seniors). Ms Crothers, our junior school teacher librarian, has generously volunteered to provide supervision for Monday, Tuesday and Friday afternoons when the

library had previously closed at the end of period 5. This highlights the collaborative connection between the two libraries at SBHS and this connection between teacher librarians has been invaluable over the last 3 years helping to successfully establish the new Senior Library facility!

2012 in the Senior Library has been a year of consolidation and growth for both building resources and utilisation of the facility. Both libraries have continued to collaborate to ensure the students, teachers and school community at SBHS have access to quality resources, conducive study environment, exciting programs and curriculum support for research and literature. Next year we plan to continue this process and maximise the benefits to our wonderful Sydney High boys.

S.Gordon – Teacher Librarian

The Andrews Junior Library

2012 has been notable in the Andrews Junior Library for two important things:

1. A generous Library Budget of \$20,000 per Library which enabled our Library to purchase great fiction and faculty related resources.
2. Our **Literacy Circles Action Research Project**. Sydney Boys High is joining other school Libraries in taking part in Syba Signs In-service action – research project. The object of this project in Sydney Boys High has been to research whether our librarian can teach higher order thinking skills to Year 7 and 8 students by focusing on Book Recommendation Writing Skills. To run this program the Junior Library annually purchases \$4000 worth of popular series so our boys are introduced to current authors.

The most noticeable changes in our Junior Library this year have been those to our **staff**. So far we have employed six different SAS staff members to replace one of our permanent staff who has been ill. The Junior Library has had a very hard working input from Mrs Robson, M/S Milne, Mrs Northey, Mrs Arulmurugan, Mrs Khanam, M/S Thomas. We thank them for working so hard at unfamiliar and complex tasks. All of these ladies were very productive putting a total of **1014 new resources** into our Library Collection so far this year. Big thanks to Mrs Suzanne Schlederer, Library SAS and long suffering Library Assistant, who steadfastly maintained

impeccable Library standards.

The second and most dramatic change was to the colour of our back wall which was painted a dark wine colour. With its new purple noticeboard and improved signage the Junior Library is now a very **uplifting workspace** for the boys and our staff. Thanks to our most Junior member of staff Ms Meredith Thomas for producing fantastic and interesting Library signage and Open Day displays.

Our Library staff remains hugely grateful for the enormous effort the **236** Library monitors make. In a **six hour service session** these boys perform a range of tasks, including re-shelving 9000 borrowed books a year, and have been heavily involved with the use of Technology this year – they tagged the 700 odd Links 4 learning we added to our Library Collection and they are sifting through our 5000 Websites to find inactive sites. These are huge jobs and our staff probably would not be able to tackle them at all. Special thanks have to go to **incredibly special Library Volunteers** notably **Darren Huang in Year 7** who has completed seven six hour sessions (and who is unbelievably efficient). **William Ho, our Library Prefect**, who generously corrected, printed and displayed an inspirational sample of Book Blogs and **Hubert Suen**, new to our school in Year 11, have also been an outstanding library volunteer.

Our reading numbers from last September to this September have declined slightly to the mid 8600's

after coming up the previous year. We are hoping that Wide Reading Classes in Year 7 and 8 ramp up their act and all borrow when they are brought to our Library.

The Andrews Library retains its popularity as a junior student preferred and chosen free time space with 38,828 boys making the **free choice** to visit/work in the public times before school, recess and lunchtime. In those same times 5358 boys made use of their laptops and the 30 PC's are usually all used all the time. With only fifteen in use for twenty minutes each this makes two hundred and three hours of computer time for the year.

Class time usage is Quiet Area 10.7% used, Computer Area 34.2% used, Class Area 27% used.

Library Events

- 2012 has been the first year the Junior Library and Year 8 have benefitted from an **author visit**. Marking Literacy Week our visiting author this year was Richard Harland who has recently written two steam punk fantasies – *WorldShaker* and *Liberator*. Richard dressed the part in a steam punk hat, tails and steam punk accessories. The Librarian found it very inspiring to see Richard Harland sell at least 100 books to boys who made their own choice to purchase his books after hearing him speak.
- **The 2012 Amateur Chess Championship** (no Chess Club Members allowed) was enjoyed by our Library Chess Players and again featured a talented Junior competing against a Senior. The result was a draw between **James Chen in Year 11S and Ryan Chan in 8M**.
- Our library was very fortunate this year to have the opportunity to mentor a University Student Teacher Librarian – Mrs Julie Madocks who participated in preparing the course and teaching the earliest Literacy Circles students this year. Mrs Madocks inspired **lunchtime presentations of the Olympic Games**, made up a timely Olympics display and in her lesson materials gave the Librarian a new lease of life and sense of purpose. Many thanks to Mrs Madocks for making such a big effort to fit in.
- **The 2012 Professional Chess Championship** is still to come and will be offered for each year following their exams
- **The Junior Library Film Festival** has specially purchased “book to film” new releases and will run these in lunchtimes in December after exams finish.

2 Libraries working together Thanks to Mrs Suzanne Gordon our Senior librarian for continuing to work closely with the Andrews Library in such an amicable and productive manner. The Librarians constantly consult, send over crowded Senior Students to the less crowded library, meet for Faculty Meetings, share the OASIS database and attend valuable in-services together, purchase books together and Library SAS staff work in both libraries. It is really useful for both Librarians to have colleagues to confer with.

**Mrs Veronica Crothers – Teacher Librarian
Andrews Junior Library**

Student Librarian Report

As the Library Prefect of 2012, I have seen both the Junior and Senior Library undergo many positive changes. The atmosphere in both libraries has been improved so that students can study more efficiently. As a junior student I did not realise the importance of the library as a study area. However, as a senior student, the irreplaceability of the libraries quickly became clear. Without them, free periods would be wasted.

Being the Library Prefect has taught me many organisational and administrative skills. Needing to oversee the Amateur Chess Competition which involved 64 players was a new experience that was somewhat challenging but also very satisfying. The position of library monitor is often regarded as being of little importance and is merely seen as a convenient means of getting Awards Scheme points. Without library monitors the workload of the librarians would be unnecessarily increased. I have seen how high the return shelf is stacked with books after recess and lunchtime. Library monitors are also heavily involved in improving the library, undertaking roles such as constructing posters for new resources.

My experience as the Library Prefect has been hugely rewarding as I have seen the library once again make positive changes in the past year as it has continuously done ever since I entered High. With the next Library Prefect set to continue this cycle, only further progress can follow.

William Ho Library Prefect 2012

Cadet Report

Company Commander's Report

The year 2012 began like almost any year with the loss of our past Year 12s and the entry of new recruits. Such is the tradition of the Sydney High School Cadet Unit every year since 1883. It is this necessary loss of talent that new talent may be fostered. Whilst some things have never changed, this year proved to be a year of new beginnings.

Early May this year Major Richard Knowles announced his retirement as the Officer in Command of our unit after seven years of long service, in a role that was once said to be only "temporary". It is with heartfelt sincerity that I would like to thank Major Knowles for his contributions in shaping the unit into what it is today. I would also like to thank 2nd Lieutenant Anthony Ho for taking over as the Officer in Command and welcome Ms Rhiannon Davis as the latest Unit Assistant.

Whilst a change in command had occurred we still completed our time old obligations to the school as Honour Guards for Anzac Day and Remembrance Day Assemblies as well as Speech Night. We also renewed our arrangement with the 2/1st Field Regiment veterans and the School Marching Band this year in the Anzac Day City March.

In the January and July Promotion Courses we have maintained our 100% pass rate with Cadet Ben Ling completing Junior Leader's Course, Corporals Tom Du and Dominic Tran completing Senior Leader's Module 1 Course and Sergeant Nicholas Ooi completing Senior Leader's Module 2. It is only with these qualifications that all Non-Commissioned Officers can be deemed ready for taking higher levels of responsibility as leaders and fulfilling the roles of graduated students. It is this way that we have been able to continuously train graduates and leaders since 1883.

In terms of activities, this year has been a fulfilling one in means of fostering good relations with other groups. This year the first Joint Airforce and Army Cadets Firearms Training Activity in the history of the AAC commenced. It was a grand success with all Sydney High Cadets passing the training elective and with qualifications to shoot the CZ Bruno .22 LR. I would like to thank Flight Lieutenant Palmer and his staff for facilitating the training at the Sydney International Shooting Centre in what we hope to be a recurring activity. I would also like to thank the Hurlstone Agricultural High School Cadet Unit for the joint training exercises this year at the Battalion Bivouac.



It is with these new arrangements and events that the School Cadet Unit progresses and evolves. I am proud of the Unit and the changes I have seen taken place within the cadets and NCOs as they develop to become the future leaders of the unit. I am glad to have been part of such an organisation that has changed my life so profoundly. Hence it is without regret that I wish all the cadets good luck, on behalf of the CUO Nicholas Ooi and myself.

CUO Vincent Ye

Company Sergeant Major's Annual Field Exercise Report

The Sydney High School Cadet Unit once again headed off to Singleton Military area for the Annual Field Exercise, held during the September holidays. For many of the new cadets, it was their first time leaving the comfort of their homes and spending a week out in the Australian bush.

Over 3000 cadets from various cadet units across NSW attended this training exercise. Together with twenty three ACU Camden, we formed Alpha Company, who went on to win the 23 Battalion Challenge Trophy, which was an ongoing competition against three other companies from 23 Battalion. Companies were assessed on the discipline, initiative and teamwork. Throughout the week, the cadets participated in various training in areas such as field craft and navigation, as well as participating in a number of activities that incorporated these skills.



Being the first camp the recruits had attended at a battalion level, it was the first time that they interacted with other army cadets from different units. Experiences were exchanged and new friendships forged, something that is invaluable to these cadets and is what the cadet program is all about.

AFX 2012 was a success for the unit. The cadets have gained much knowledge from this experience, which they will carry with them for the rest of their cadet careers.

SGT Dominic Tran



Instructing Officers advising the cadets

Cadets



Cadets 1 Platoon

Back Row: Cdt J.Kuang, Cdt A.Kuang, Cdt W.Zhuang, Cdt A.Koneru, Cdt T.Havier.

Front Row: Cdt A.You, Cpl M.Zhang (CQMS), Sgtg T.Du (1 Pl Sgt), CUO V.Ye (1 Pl Cmdr), Sgt D.Tran (CSM), Cdt C.Nguyen, Cdt J.Chin



Cadets 2 Platoon

Back Row: Cdt T.Zhang, Cdt W.Ruan, Cdt J.Jiang, Cdt V.Oh.

Second Row: Cdt H.Ma, Cdt R.Luo, Cdt H.Puvanenthiran, Cdt D.Hu, Cdt A.Joshi, Cdt J.Kin.

Front Row: Cdt D.Wu, Cpl B.Ling, Cpl D.Duong, CUO N.Ooi, Cpl N.Tang, Cdt H.Luo, Cdt A.Chow

Duke of Edinburgh Award

Duke of Edinburgh Report Bronze

To complete the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme, we need to undertake two overnight hikes. On 13 and 14 February, a group of us took the challenge. Members of the hike included: Christopher Chen, Sunny Cheng, Junhee Cho, Kritman Dhamoon, Naga Koneru, Jim Koukouras, River Le, Oscar Lee, Gary Liang, Azam Malik, Agnish Nayak, Visakan Thayalan, Jamison Tsai, Dennis Wong and the accompanying teachers were Ms E Hanlon and Mr A Fuller.

We were set to take on the Coast Track, a twenty six kilometre track that would take two days and, as the name suggests, was along the coast of the Royal National Park. Twenty six kilometres is extremely long, especially coupled with backpacks that probably weighed more than some of us! Unlike the normal school camps, everyone had to have their own food, water, clothing, sleeping bags, tents and all sorts of things you'd expect. It was going to be hard. Just to add to the difficulty, we had to navigate

ourselves through the rough terrain and we knew Mr Fuller would be secretly laughing to himself when we went in the wrong direction.

Everyone arrived at Central Station bright and early, even earlier than Mr Fuller himself. We were to catch a train and then a ferry to Bundeena, where the next two days of torment would begin. It was our bad luck that it was lightly drizzling as well – and that possibly meant that it would pour while we slept. A few steps into the journey and our legs began to tire. We soon forgot about that when we laid our eyes on the magnificent view of the sandstone cliffs, and waves crashing upon rocks. Marley Head marked our first break, with its stunning views of Big Marley and Little Marley Beaches. Scattered along its golden banks was a momentary encampment of our little group, feasting on our morning tea, of spaghetti cans and biscuits, tuna and chicken wings. But that break was too short, and soon we had to continue the arduous journey towards the next stop



Waterfalls into the ocean



Walking along sandstone cliffs

of Wattamolla for lunch. Though our lunch break was far too short, it was in part compensated by the promise of cool water holes, cliff platforms and waterfalls. After passing Garie Beach where Mr Fuller restocked our water supplies, some members simply could not continue and collapsed in the parking lot. But through our encouragement and motivation of each other, we were able to pick ourselves up and push on. By the time we reached the North Era camp site, the day was fading. This became quite a problem amidst our silent relief, as the dim light offered no help in our tent set-up for which we struggled until it was dark. Noodles were a luxury, but for the rest of us biscuits were the basic necessities. After that short lunch break everyone made a bed on the hard ground which accommodated very few hours of sleep!

Upon waking up, we found ourselves freezing in the morning cold and huddled up in our sleeping bags, as water dew had collected itself on all surfaces outside. Mr Fuller joined us on the beach to catch one last glimpse before we continued our trek. And then we were off. As we kept on walking, our leg muscles ached even more from the exhaustion of yesterday. Every few kilometres we'd find a blessing at each stop in terms of the vibrant scenery, whilst also allowing us to pick ourselves up. Occasionally we'd find ourselves 'geographically embarrassed' with food and water supplies running short. And Mr Fuller would simply smile.

We soon reached the final checkpoint before the station, where we enjoyed a cliff view of people flying kites and hang-gliding over the rocks. As we headed home, our defeated bodies sagged into the train seats.

Gary Liang and Jamison Tsai



Sunrise at North Era

Chess Report

In 2012, High resumed its successful run in chess. We rediscovered strong growth in the junior years, with the Junior A's winning the Regional Interschool Competition. Unfortunately in the finals they were outmatched by Girraween in a nail-biter, losing 2.5 to 1.5. In the Intermediate section, the boys played extremely well to win themselves out of a surprise rematch with Sefton in the semi's before losing to the James Ruse team. The seniors had a surprising exit to the competition this year, with the boys unable to reinforce their leads in their games, eventually faltering to Grammar in a bitter, long 3-match playoff.

In the GPS competition, the High team once again maintained its position at the top of the ladder, winning comfortably with one round to spare. This marks the sixth consecutive win for High since the initiation of the GPS competition. In the NSW Playoffs, we defeated both Scots and Grammar 4-0 before finally falling to the recently imported Ruse juggernauts to come second. Overall, this season had proven fruitful, and the prospects for the 2013 season are promising.

Eric Xu (Chess Prefect 2013)



Back Row: M.Hauser, D.Mah, F.Wong, A.Shi, O.Qian.
Front Row: A.Teyah, M.Abeysekera, E.Xu, E.Naoumov, D.Chan, J.Lin, A.Zafar.

Debating

Debating and Rifle Shooting Assembly Principal's Address

Special guest, Mr Adam Spencer, coaches, parents, staff, debaters, rifle shooters and students - welcome to our annual debating and public speaking assembly. Each year, honouring our tradition of a preseason celebration of endeavour, we assemble to acknowledge the boys selected in the various debating teams entered by the school in a range of competitions. We try to demonstrate a belief in the value of the struggle more than the outcome of the contest. It's the preparation and participation that builds character. Debating has a long preseason with Eastside and FED competitions running in term two and with the PDC round robin rounds being finalised. However, the GPS competition is our official Friday night highlight which I hope will be well attended for home debates this season.

The GPS Heads have been evaluating the effectiveness of the competition and discussed the length of speeches, the number of adjudicators, adjudicator training, dress and demeanour; the efficacy of running debates concurrently and the method of deliberating and delivering adjudications in multiple adjudicator debates. Recommendations were sought from the Convenor of Debating and some decisions were taken to bring about some changes. Our intent was to avoid 10:30 finishes on Friday nights! We hope that the procedural adjustments will make for a more enjoyable experience for participants and audiences this season. I am interested in feedback about how this season is perceived.

I want to thank and applaud the work of debating MIC Rachel Powell this season. She has brought a heightened level of professionalism to the administration of the activity. Participation in the junior school is impressive and the boys are benefitting from a more structured experience in their first few years of debating. Thank you to Paris Munro, Annalise Mack and Brian Webb for mentoring PDC teams. As always, our program owes a great deal to our coaches. Dominic Bowes (2008) has done a great job with first grade as has Nina Ubaldi (SGHS 2008) with second grade. Thank you to both of them and all of the coaches who mentor our teams so enthusiastically. Thank you to all the parents involved in the Debating Sub-Committee

which supports the competitions so well.

Our results this year so far are encouraging. Christopher Chiam, Julian Edgton and Robert Sternhell were selected in the CHS debating team. Our Year 12 PDC debating team has won through to the final of the Hume Barbour Competition by defeating Elderslie High School. They meet Manly in the final in two weeks.

The Year 11 and 10 teams are still in their competitions, so we wish them all the best of luck. In the East Side Competition, High was victorious in both the Year 11 and Year 12 Divisions.

Thank you to Rowena Barr for her efficient and effective management of public speaking at High. Public Speaking is high on the list of most feared activities for individuals, but with training and experience it certainly doesn't have to be. More boys should muster the courage to put themselves to the test. The experience is invaluable. Congratulations to Kushaal Vyas who was runner-up in the state final of the Lions Club Youth of the Year Quest. In the Rostrum Voice of Youth Competition, Alexander Hughes, Lokesh Sharma and Gordon Dexter performed well. Again I ask that more boys try to build their self-confidence through public speaking participation.

Each year at this assembly we set aside some time to honour our rifle shooters who conclude their long preseason this week at the two-day GPS Shoot. The occasion is brightened from time to time by the reflection of light on silverware and so it is this year as our team carried off the Rawson Cup and the Premiership Shield in a tie with TAS. For Yujin Wu it was a special day – his second premiership and the captaincy of the combined GPS rifle team. Wilbert Wu and Jeremy Chan (10) were also selected in the team. Well done to Dominic Tran, Robert Sternhell, Bill Deng, Minghao Wu and Timothy Tran who made up our first grade team.

Thank you to Cathy Meaney, Daniel Comben, Sam Kremer, Ishan Nadkarni, Kevin Chan and the Rifle Committee for their great support of the team.

Debating and rifle shooting may well be seen as activities that are poles apart but they have team work in common. In both disciplines goals need to be set, leadership has to be shown and shared, and problems have to be solved. Importantly, unflinching

support to team mates must be shown to maintain morale. "It is better to debate a question without settling it than to settle a question without debating it". Joseph Joubert's aphorism is appealing. Let's hope that the world learns to employ more of the skills of debaters than those of rifle shooters when settling its questions!

I congratulate all the boys who were selected in GPS teams and wish you best of luck in the GPS season.

Dr K Jaggar

The Debating MIC Report

To begin I want to praise the boys for their superb achievements and the coaches for their hard work and dedication. Thank you to Dr Jaggar for his support, the teachers for their commitment and the families for their enthusiasm and dedication.

Not only were our Year 7 debaters new in January, but so were four of the coaches: Nakul, Sarah, Ashwin and Laurin (only straight out of School themselves) led very ably by Angud they have done a sterling job with this year group. I have had the pleasure of seeing the GPS A's debate and can already see that they have the potential to go all the way in debating.

With Justin at the helm and Declan, Christopher and Mitchell as his able crew they have steered the Year 8s on a course towards success. When I watched the Year 8 debate all the way back in FED I was already so impressed with how much they have developed as debaters. Of course, I cannot move on from Year 8 without mentioning Arthur who became an unofficial Secretary for SBHS Debating and my own PA. Every morning, without fail, he came to my staff room with a list of things I need to do and he worked so hard to organise a range of activities including debating club.

When I watched the 9As debate Scots I was absolutely blown away with just how much of an awesome team they are shaping up to be.

Year 10 became the proud winners of the Sydney Regional Round of the Premier's Debating Challenge. The boys were runners up in the state Teasdale Cup Competition after a split decision. Thanks to Antony and Felix who have coached the GPS students and also to Rosie. It is pleasing to see so many non GPS Year 10s have the tenacity to keep with debating even after being disappointed at not

reaching the GPS squad. I hope you come back to the program next year because you can see that the skills you learn by doing debating are skills that will be invaluable during your life.

Year 11 debaters were very lucky to have Nina as their coach and I am so glad that we managed to prevent her from fleeing High for a more lucrative job offer elsewhere. Seconds (Thirds and Fourths) have done very well this year. Khushaal, Connor and Wilber, along with Agnish reached the PDC Regional Finals and alone got through to the MUNA national finals. As the Seconds, they became proud holders of the Kurrie Cup

The Firsts, who for GPS comprised Robert, Julian and Christopher and for the PDC the team included Nicky. These boys formed a phenomenal team with a string of accolades that are the envy of their peers and the pride of the school. In Year 10 they won the Teasdale Cup and then in Year 11 the Karl Kramp and this year the Hume Barbour. The records show that this has not been done before. In addition, last year they won the Kurrie Cup and as everyone knows last year they came very close to winning the Louat Shield. Under the guidance of Dom they matured into a solid unit with each young man playing a key role. They are role models to the younger debaters, many of whom will miss them immensely.

In addition to the coaches listed here I have been pleased to work alongside Sriram as Head Coach this year. I have been grateful for the skills and experience he has brought to the debating program at High and his efforts to create a more organised and defined program have been positively received. It is a shame he will be leaving us for new pastures next year as I know both students and coaches' look up to him.

Thank you to the coaches. I was very worried that it was going to be hard to maintain such a good debating program with so many departures last year. The coaches who stayed provided stability and the new coaches provided energy and enthusiasm.

Our increase in coaching numbers could not have happened without the support of Dr Jaggar who made a great commitment to debating with a budget that has allowed us to have smaller coaching ratios than we have had for a very long time.

Brian Webb, Annalise Mack and Paris Munro assisted with the organisation of the Premier's Debating



Challenge this year. PDC is a competition that can be very frustrating to be involved in. Not all the other schools are as organised as us and I know that it can be exasperating trying to plan and prepare debates when you are having limited or no communication from other teachers. So I really thank those teachers for the hard work this year.

This year I was overwhelmed by the levels of support shown by our parents, particularly Year 7 and 8 parents who have stayed with their sons after their debates to watch the seniors. Thank you to the Debating Supporters Group who have done such a marvellous job this year: Our President: Craig Philis, Secretary: Norman Koslowski, Treasurer: Karen Chiam and the Shortridges work tirelessly behind the scenes to ensure the success of the High debating program. We may not have the swankiest surroundings for hosting debates, but our suppers are the talk of the Sydney debating community and special thanks goes Nina, our Supper Coordinator and to everyone who has sent money, bought or made food or helped prepare it on the evening,

especially Reeta. Other parents have given up their time to support Sunil who is in charge of parking and provides us with essential funds.

I wish to thank four key debating families: the Parents of Nicky, the Sternhell family and Julian's mum and brother for the time and effort they put into watching the boys debate.

However, the Chiam family deserve a special mention and thanks. For the past two years Harry Chiam has scored fantastic guest speakers at the Debating Assembly such as Adam Spencer. He has already booked in next year's speaker. Marina, Christopher's Grandmother regularly watches the debates, helps clear up after suppers or stays at home so that Christopher's brother, Matthew can have a rest from debating. Thank you very much to Matthew who designed the adverts, invitations and the power points. Thank you to Karen Chiam who organised the debating dinner for the leaving Year 12 Parents.

Rachel Powell

First Grade

After a season in second grade, where this team won every competition they entered, high hopes were held going into 2012. The team remained as last year, with first speaker Robert Sternhell, second Speaker Julian Edgton and Christopher Chiam as third speaker and captain.

The pre-season started well for both the team and individually, where we won the UNSW Debating Tournament (aided by Connor Robinson as fourth speaker) and both Robert and Julian scored equal third on the tab, with myself named as best speaker at the tournament. We also won the Eastside trophy, beating Sydney Girls, SCEGGS, Reddam and third grade sides from Scots or Grammar. We knew however that despite the trophy that came with the win all that really mattered was winning the GPS Louatt Shield and the CHS Hume Barbour Trophy.

At the start of the CHS competition, we were among the favourites to win. Our team was one of the strongest in the competition, with Robert and I selected in the NSW All Schools Squad, Julian in the preliminary squad, all three of us in the Combined CHS team and our fourth speaker, Nicky Pinidiya, also picked to the preliminary state squad. However, we knew there were still many pitfalls that had plagued previous High teams, Sydney Girls High and our nemesis Smiths Hill High. After beating Gynea Tech, James Cook Boys and St George in the zone stage, we defeated Sydney Tech in the regional semi before moving on to the regional final at Parliament House. We were surprised (and somewhat relieved) to find out that we were not versing Sydney Girls, who had been knocked out, but Fort Street. Affirming the topic "that it is justifiable to invade countries in cases of extreme human rights abuses," we put in one of our best performances thus far and won in a unanimous decision. Our semi final victory against Elderslie High brought two pieces of good news, the most obvious being that we were in the finals, but also that Smiths Hill had lost to Manly NBSC in their semi. This meant that for the first time in six years Smiths Hill would not be in the final. Instead we were facing the same team we beat in the year 11 final last year. Negating the topic "that we should not broadcast videos made by terrorist groups" there were a few scares but we eventually won in a split decision. Speaking in the Great Hall of Sydney University in front of a large High crowd is

one of the best moments I can remember from my debating career.

We knew the GPS competition would be much harder, with every week providing a challenge. Grammar and Ignatius still churned out quality teams; Scots had made a resurgence in the past few years, Kings made the ISDA finals earlier in the year and Newington, Shore and Joeys had all beaten our first grade side within the last few years. To that end we prepared studiously, hoping to end our last season on a positive note. Our first round against Newington was on sports, one of our weakest areas, but a thorough preparation kept us in good stead to win.

The Ignatius debate was against a very good, rhetorically skilled team on the topic "that minority governments should be taken to another election." We successfully managed to negate it, partly because of Ignatius's reluctance to answer a challenge as to whether they would deem every coalition government illegitimate.

Flat wins against Shore and Joeys followed, but the team had one of its better nights against Kings, a team we respected on the back of their strong pre-season form. Negating the topic "that juries should be made up entirely of retired legal practitioners," Robert managed to get some laughs out of the audience by pointing out the absurd nature of having juries made up of "old, rich, retired white men" and Julian ended up with quite good points at second.

The final debate of the season (and our High debating career) was against Grammar, and the GPS championship was on the line. Negating the highly original topic of invading Syria, we unfortunately went down in what was a close and enthralling debate. Despite the fact the debate was at Grammar, the atmosphere evoked by the large number of High supporters was truly inspirational to us and definitely lifted our spirits to some degree.

At this point a few well deserved acknowledgements must be made. First and foremost to Dom Bowes, our coach, who made sure we were prepared each week (including answering our incessant emails) and who's expertise is surely seen in our results this year. Huge thanks must also go to the debating coordinator Ms Powell who has done a wonderful job in organising the program over the last couple of years and certainly raising the standard for High debating for years to come. And finally to everyone



First Grade Debating – Hume Barbour Champions

J.Edgton, Dr K.A.Jaggar (Principal), C.Chiam, Ms R.Powell (MIC), R.Sternhell.

who came to watch us, whether it be our parents, teachers, or junior debaters, we really appreciate your support.

To finish this report, I decided to share some anecdotes about each team member's path to First Grade as a way to hopefully inspire junior debaters and show that one setback doesn't mean your chance of debating in the opens is over. After making the A team in Year 8, Robert was dropped to the B's in Year 9 and 10 and at one point was changing speaker positions every week with no certainty of his role. Julian didn't even make a GPS team in Year 7, and from there only ever made the B's as a junior before making the jump to Second Grade in Year 11. I debated so poorly in the Year 10 GPS trial that my coach told me I was very lucky to have even made the squad. And Nicky only started debating in Year 9 but ended up on a state championship winning team. So to all junior debaters - don't give up after one setback, keep persevering both in debating, and in life.

Christopher Chiam
Captain of Debating 2012

Year Ten

The Year 10 GPS season saw successes on parts of both the 10A and 10B team as well as the Premier's Debating Challenge team. Due to the introduction of new GPS Debating Guidelines the debaters were forced to adapt quickly to shorter debating preparation and speaking times. The teams showed considerable versatility in accustoming themselves to the changes and went on to perform well in all competitions.

The season began with the University of New South Wales Debating Competition, in which two Year 10 teams entered themselves. The teams performed well. The team consisting of Sam Phillis, Peter Stephens, Andrew Liu and Shawn Norohna were undefeated and came third. The other team consisting of Riley Irwin, Solomon Saleh, James Pham and Rex Yi were unfortunate to lose one debate.

The GPS Year 10A team got off to a weak start but built steam finishing the season with wins against Newington College, Saint Joseph's College and Scots College. The team, consisting of Lokesh



Second Grade Debating

Ms R.Powell (MIC), K.Vyas, W.Koslowski, C.Robinson



Third and Fourth Grade Debating

Back Row: A.Nayak, K.Dhamoon, I.Li, E.Xu.

Front Row: S.Prusty, N.Pinidiya (Captain), Ms R.Powell (MIC), A.Chau (Captain), Z.Mohamed Rizvi.

Sharma, Peter Stephens, Riley Irwin and John Seroukas would continue to perform throughout the Premier's Debating Challenge. After defeating teams such as Sydney Girls High School in the regional grand final and James Ruse Agricultural High School in the state semi-finals they were defeated by Inverell High School in the state grand-final.

The GPS 10B team had a great season and enjoyed a winning streak which was sadly cut short by the Scots College. The team was undefeated, save that loss.

Peter Stephens

Year Nine

The Year 9 Debating season was definitely most memorable for all debaters. The beginning of the season saw a huge number of lads try out for a spot in the GPS Teams. After two to four weeks of trialling the GPS squads were decided.

The B2 Squad consisted of Gautham Shankar, Kevin Ke, Jonathan Chew and Jonathan Wu

The B1 Squad consisted of Ganeshmoorthy Chanderasakaren, George Han-McEvoy, Sarangan Balakrishnan and Nick Phillis

The A Squad consisted of Kevin Liang, Thomas George, Adilmorad Nadir and myself.

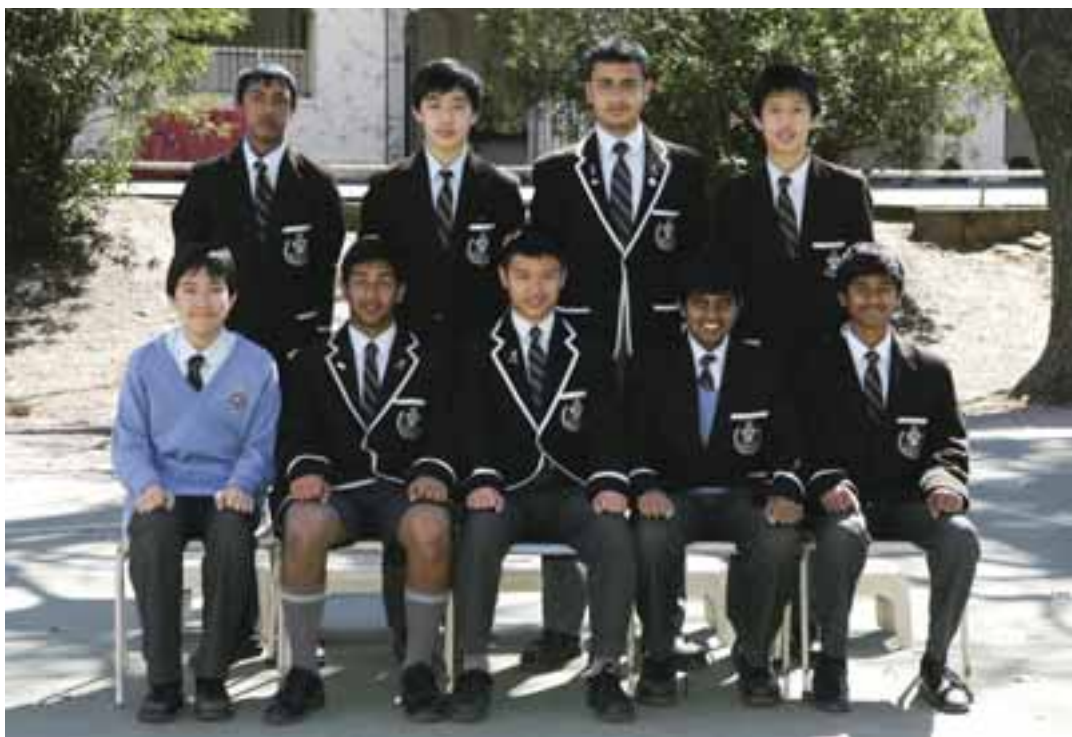
The first debate of the season was against a typically strong Newington outfit. The tactical move of using the "Hardline Method" in the A's caught the Newington side off-guard and resulted in the A's coming away with a win. The B's were unlucky in a closely fought debate. The second debate of the season was at home against St Ignatius where the A's were unlucky in a closely fought debate. The mighty B's squad proved just too good and came away with their first win. The third debate of the season found us away against Shore. Shore had recently started to shape up as a very challenging fixture and this was proven as they narrowly edged out our A squad. The B's continued on from their previous win and started to gather some momentum. The fourth debate of the season saw both teams defeated by an unbelievably strong Kings squad who debated with poise and style and



Year 10 Debating

Back Row: J.Pharm, T.Garg, S.Phillis, S.Noronha.

Front Row: R.Irwin, D.Fang, L.Sharma, P.Stephens, J.Seroukas (Captain), N.Wang-Ly, E.Wang.



Year 9 Debating

Back Row: S.Balakrishnan, J.Wu, A.Nadir, K.Ke.

Front Row: G.Han-McEvoy, N.Bari, K.Liang, G.Chandrasekaran, G.Shankar.

were able to dismantle our case. The fifth debate of the season was full of vengeance and as we blitzed both Joey's squads in a topic where we discussed the rights of Facebook and if it can publish photos uploaded by users of Facebook. Both wins boosted our morale. The next debate at Scots started off with us being able to dine in their finely established cafeteria. The A's were then able to comprehensively win the debate in front of a large Scots crowd. The B's were unable to capture a win at Scots. The final debate of the Season was probably the most challenging and entertaining debate of the season. Arguing the topic that "Drones should be banned from use in combat" the B's were able to successfully argue against the topic and once again proved to be one of the B squads in the GPS. The A's in this debate argued honourably and with wit but just came up short in a heated debate.

Everyone in Year 9 debating would like to thank the coaches. We would also like to thank Ms Powell for organising what was a successful season for both GPS and non GPS debaters and for making sure we

all could eat something after the debate. Hopefully we'll dominate the competition next year.

Niyazul Bari

Year Eight

The 2012 Year 8 debating season was both very successful and very enjoyable for everyone involved. We had a fantastic set of GPS debates. Our FED team got all the way to the grand finals, but were defeated by Barker on a very difficult topic. After this pre-season success we were ready to move into our GPS season.

Once we had been put into our teams and coached by Justin we had psyched ourselves up for the first debate. Our first official GPS debate was against Newington and the A's had a narrow and unfortunate loss. The B team started the season off well with a win. After the fairly successful first round of GPS we learnt as much as we could about domestic political issues and this hard work paid off. Both the A and B team won against St Ignatius.

We continued this winning streak for the next three weeks, with both the A's and B's (and C's whenever a school put up a third Year 8 team) not losing a single debate. We beat Shore, Kings and Joeys in this way with topics ranging from "That doing debating is more important than doing well in exams" to "Companies should not be allowed to advertise to children". Now after five debates the As had only lost one and the Bs were undefeated.

It was now time for the debate against Scots who were equal first with Grammar and High. It was an intense debate with the topic that "it should be legal to hunt feral animals in national parks". Sadly, in two extremely close debates both the A's and B's lost to Scots. Now we spent the whole week prepping cases and getting ready for the final debate against our old foes Sydney Grammar. We ended up finishing our season with losses for both teams on the difficult topic "Globalisation is bad for Australian culture".

In the PDC in term three, High performed strongly. After winning the first debate we had a very close debate against Rose Bay, which we lost. We did manage to defeat the Year 7 team from our school

and then came back with a vengeance against Rose Bay and won. We then lost the next debate against Randwick Girls and were sadly knocked out.

Overall, we had a very successful season and we have improved greatly since last year's debating season. We look forward to next year.

Thomas Shortridge

Year Seven

Friday is the best day of week. Why? No, not just because it's the end of the week, but because Friday is debating day! Throughout the year, as soon as the final bell went on Friday, Year 7 debaters cheered with satisfaction. We rushed off to coaching to have an afternoon's worth of fun debating. This got better in term three because the GPS season began and those of us selected in a team went around to many schools each week to battle it out in an encounter of intelligence and presentation. Over the course of the season, our teams got to know each other's strengths and weaknesses forming rock-solid combinations for the future.



Year 8 Debating

Back Row: M.Koslowski, T.Nguyen, O.Lethbridge.

Second Row: F.Morshedi, A.Chao, L.Jepson, D.Kim, P.Kadappu, T.Luo.

Front Row: J.Goh, C.Farrell, I.Mohamed, T.Shortridge, E.Hall, K.Matsumoto, P.Lin.

In Eastside and FED competitions, our teams had promising results, even in unselected teams. This promise developed into a reality with a skilful squad of GPS debaters picked. The Year 7 A's consisted of Akeedh, Ymer, Louis and myself. We faced tough opponents, finishing up with a commendable win-loss ratio of 4-3 in our favour. We started out with a rather fortunate win at Newington to boost spirits for the season. This was followed up by convincing performances against Riverview, Shore and Kings with varying results. The Shore and Kings debates were very competitive and we were unlucky to go down. Against Shore we received the challenging and unexpected topic that "debating is more important than doing well in exams".

After two straight losses, our fortunes picked up with deserved wins against Joeys and Scots. Before the final round of the season against our rivals Grammar, we had a chance of coming in first place on the ladder if results went our way. But it was not to be, as we went down in a very advanced and quite interesting topic of: 'That globalisation is bad for Australian culture.' In spite of this, our

performance was strong and we finished the year on a high.

Overall, the PDC team had some very commendable results in their competition, despite having a few unlucky losses against Year 8 opponents. They did manage to finish strong with a great win, debating as our GPS B team in the final week against Grammar. The rotating B teams had varying levels of success in their debates as B and C teams. We managed to get more wins than losses in these grades, putting pressure on higher up debaters to not get too comfortable in their current positions. This sort of competition is good for the development of our debaters.

Let me conclude by thanking Ms Powell, Angud, Nakul and the other coaches for their help in making our first year of debating at High such a great one. I am looking forward to debating in 2013 and hopefully for many years to come. Personally I can't see any reason not to! After all, Year 7 debating was an excellent experience, full of fun and enjoyment for everyone involved.

Hugh Bartley



Year 7 Debating

Back Row: H.Luo, H.Bartley, E.May, A.Prasad, D.Roy, D.Nguyen-Jariv, Y.Bushati, P.Han.

Front Row: G.Ge, R.Prabhu, R.Kaniyur, A.Razmi, S.Balasooriya, L.Saunders, J.Sung.

Public Speaking

Public Speaking at High has grown to new heights this year. A huge thank you goes to Ms Barr for coordinating this activity and putting in a lot of effort throughout the year and also to our coach Cameron Morrison (Class of 2011) who has steered us all in the right direction with sustained weekly coaching sessions.

2012 marked a milestone for High Public Speaking. Throughout the years Public Speaking has seen healthy numbers but this year we saw enough students showing interest to make a Public Speaking Club. The Club meets every week on Thursday morning and with Coach Cameron at the helm, we learn about the essentials of Public Speaking (method, matter and manner). The inexperienced students gained confidence and exposure and invaluable experiences from sustained coaching. The experienced speakers have had a chance to practice and fine-tune their skills (especially manner) which has enabled them to achieve success. The start of the Public Speaking Club with coaching has marked a new era for the art at High with exceptional talent and hard work this year culminating in the brilliant results.

Khushaal Vyas participated in the *Lawrence Campbell Impromptu Competition*, where he gave an excellent speech and was very close to gaining a podium finish. In the *Rostrum Voice of Youth Competition* we had numerous students partake (Lokesh Sharma, Khushaal Vyas, Tushaar Garg, Azam Malik, Ashray and Dexter Gordon) with Lokesh and Khushaal both making a Regional Final. With great talent and depth at High, we hope to see some State Finalists next year!

Dexter Gordon and Hugh Bartley represented High in the *Legacy Junior Competition*. Dexter made the regional final with Hugh narrowly missing a spot. Both speakers are shaping up to be brilliant and with continued effort will achieve great success next year. In the *Sydney Morning Herald Plain English Speaking Competition* we saw Al Hughes and Lokesh Sharma participate. Al gave a brilliant speech on the Bikie gangs in Sydney and reached a regional final.

Al Hughes also entered the *Trinity Grammar Annual Public Speaking Competition* in which he did very well. Lokesh Sharma and Riley Irwin entered the *UN Junior Public Speaking Competition* however we don't officially know the results. With the *Eastern*



Khushal Vyas

Suburbs competition coming up we hope to achieve greater success.

This year we saw a very high participation rate, especially from the junior school, in the Public Speaking Club. The hard work of everyone in the club, especially Ms Barr and Coach Cameron, resulted in very strong results for Public Speaking. We entered more competitions than last year and had more success than ever before. With such depth of talent, we hope to see Public Speaking reach its glory days in the next few years.

Public Speaking is a must-have skill in life and with coaching sessions and numerous competitions, students have the chance to nurture a skill that is vital in every career path. No matter if you are an inexperienced speaker or a master debater, Public Speaking at High shall enable you to attain great heights and invaluable experiences.

Lokesh Sharma

Gifted and Talented

Tournament of Minds

The regional final was on 26 August at Sydney Girls. This year we entered teams in three disciplines.

Christopher Chiam facilitated the Applied Technology team of Marc Betbeder-Matibet, James Goh, Dominic He, Daniel Hu, Peter Lin, Stratton Vakirtzis and Madison Wu.

Sooraj Prakash was facilitator for the Social Science team: Hugh Bartley, Riley Irwin, Kiernyn Mascarenhas, Andrew Nguyen, Justis Nguyen, Thomas Nguyen and Lokesh Sharma.

Allan Feng supported the Language/Literature group: Ganeshmoor Chandrasekaran, Sunny Cheng, Advait Joshi, Azam Malik, Karstan Michael, Eddy Xiong and Jeffrey Yang.

These students were immersed in creating innovative solutions to the challenges posed six weeks prior

the event. They learnt what it means to work as a team, independent of outside assistance. Tournament of Minds is a wonderful opportunity for boys to work collaboratively with students from a range of year groups. (Each team must include two Year 7 students). They were disappointed that we didn't come away with an award but the judges in each section commented on the creativity and humour inherent in all three performances. All agreed that we'll be that much better for the experience.

J. Eggleton (English Dept)
G&T Co-ordinator

Da Vinci Decathlon

The all-day event was held on Tuesday 29 May for Years 7 and 8 and on Thursday 31 May for Years 9 and 10. The teams consisted of eight students who are chosen from the all-rounder lists and through staff recommendation of students in specialist areas such



Tournament of Minds

Back Row: C.Chiam, S.Cheng, T.Nguyen.

Third Row: R.Irwin, J.Yong, L.Sharma, M.Betbeder-Matibet, M.Wu.

Second Row: E.Xiong, A.Joshi, D.Hu, K.Michael, S.Prakash, D.He, J.Goh, S.Vakirtsis.

Front Row: H.Bartley, P.Lin, V.Malik (Captain), Ms J.Eggleton, K.Mascarenhas, J.Nguyen, A.Nguyen.



Da Vinci Team

Back Row: T.George, L.Mah, J.Nixon.

Third Row: G.Kwok, M.Hauser, A.Karahasan, P.Mai, M.Betbeder-Matibet, R.Tan, L.Sharma.

Second Row: E.Xiong, W.Beare, B.Nguyen, C.Chen, L.Hoad, J.McCahon-Boersma.

Front Row: A.Razmi, J.Tran, A.Zafar, Ms J.Eggleton, E.Wang, C.Won, H.Bartley.

as Art, Design and Technology and Drama.

The Year 7 team consisted of Jasper McCahon-Boersma, Ahad-Anhiang, Corey Won, Akeedh Razmi, Ben Graham, Wangyu Tang and Jonathan Tran. They were one member down on the day but overcame this problem by reorganising task allocations. They were disappointed that they did not gain a medal but their team work was excellent. Christopher Chiam (Year11) used his four years of experience in Da Vinci teams to train the boys and to give them a sense of what is required in this event. Their best result was Third in Games of Strategy. They were really pleased with Wangyu's and Jonathan's Art/Poetry entry. The boys showed how reliable and independent they are by meeting at 7.30am at Central for an 8.30 start at Knox – quite an achievement for Year 7!

The Year 8 team had the advantage of including some students who participated last year: Aiden Karahasen, Thomas Nimic, Fayad Morshedi were joined

by Vishal Karnamadakala, Adam Shackel, Elery Smith, Jun Lin and Manning Blackell. The boys were pleased with their results in Maths and Science. We are waiting for the overall results. They are to be congratulated on the respect they show for each other and others. They worked well as a newly formed team and I'm sure they will capitalise on the experience acquired when they next compete.

The Year 9 team was outstanding. They achieved Second place overall and took to the podium to receive their medals beside First place getters, Sydney Girls High. It was a terrific result from the only state schools at the event. The boys admitted that if they had to be beaten by anyone, then best that it's 'the girls next door'. Wesley Beare, Leonard Mah, Benjamin Nguyen, Jesse Nixon, Marc Betbeder-Matibet, Thomas George, Luke Hoad and Philip Mai produced brilliant team work. Their best results were in Science where they were Second. Their preparation for the event was thorough and this

showed on the day. Also, they moved through the tasks with far more efficiency than last year.

The Year 10 team of Christopher Chen, Michael Hauser, Anes Karahasan, Gideon Kwok, Robert Tan, Edric Wang, Lokesh Sharma and William Wu worked very effectively as a team to achieve an amazing Third place and they have the medals to prove it! They were First in General Knowledge, were complimented on their Creative Producers who were described by the judges as refreshingly innovative in approach and they did well in the Engineering Challenge. Gideon and Chris achieved the unimaginable! A First place for Art and Poetry. Only those who have attempted this challenge can appreciate the significance of this. They were exemplary ambassadors for the school in all respects. Unbeknown to them, they were praised by a member of the general public on the train trip to Knox.

It's a pleasure and a privilege to accompany students of this calibre. They are supportive of each other, they show their pride in the school through their appearance and demeanour and they treat others with respect.

Thank you to all of the boys for making it such a great couple of days.

Philosophy Group

This year has been an exciting one for students who are interested in philosophical issues.

On Monday 14 May, twelve students (Year 10: Michael Alexandratos, Riley Irwin, Christopher Ketkeo and Andrew Tayeh, Year 11: Jonathan Clements-Lendrum, Allen Feng, Khushaal Vyas, Callum York and Nelson Tang and Year 12: Patrick Krakovsky, Adam Ceh and Gavin Sutton) attended the Philosophy lecture day hosted by Ascham. The event is designed and presented by Academy Conferences, a UK based organisation that aims to extend the thinking of students who are interested in being intellectually challenged. The lecturer, Julie Arliss is outstanding. She lectures at King's College and works with philosophy students at Oxford and Exeter universities. She is also principal examiner at Cambridge. Julie's lectures combine academic rigour with humour and she has an intuitive understanding of how best to engage 15-19 year olds. Topics included 'Does a snail have consciousness?' 'Does time really bend?' and 'The philosophy of sex' which led to the afternoon debate about the need to

regulate sexual representation by the media and society at large. Students were then given an opportunity to contribute to the afternoon debate. The quality of their ideas and the level of articulation that these young adults brought to the discussion was very impressive. It's really good news that our collective futures are in their hands! The day is a wonderful opportunity for our students to meet and exchange ideas with students from a range of schools in a relaxed, informal setting. The philosophical issues discussed were intriguing and well presented. Interacting with other schools is another benefit. The lecture/theatre hall was abuzz with the voices of socialising students.

We have continued to develop the program since 2011 and thanks to the generosity of Dr Jaggar, have been able to engage Mr Hamish Dunlop, a PhD student from UNSW who was recommended by Dr Karyn Lai (Senior Lecturer in philosophy at UNSW and mother of Toby Funston Year 12). Karyn very generously ran sessions for the boys last year in preparation for the Philosophon held at Ascham in September. This year, Hamish tutored a group of interested students during lunch and occasionally into the afternoon. It was very exciting to watch them develop in a relatively short time (third term) The students who attended were Khushaal Vyas Year 11, Riley Irwin Year 10, Thomas Nassif Year 9. These students represented the school at the actual event on 6 September when each of them participated in three forty minute discussions with students from their year groups. The level of sustained intellectual engagement was outstanding. Khushaal, Riley and Thomas showed that they have what it takes! During the preparation period, they were supported in discussion by Michael Alexandratos, Christopher Ketkeo, Nelson Tang, Christopher Chen, Marc Betbeder-Matibet and Philip Mai. The Hale School in Western Australia is integral to the running of Philosophon across Australia. Their website is an excellent resource. The topics were: 'How can I be happy?' 'Do animals have minds?' and 'Is it morally worse to kill someone than to let someone die?' Discussions are facilitated using the Communities of Inquiry model. It is an opportunity for bright students to meet with other students of equal intellect. We are looking forward to next year when we will be encouraging more students to participate in the philosophy discussion group.

English

Dystopia

The man in the chair twirled a fat cigar around his fingers, leaving circular trails of smoke.

"Look," he said calmly, "Senator, my boys helped put you into your office, you should remember that. We're not asking much from you, all we want is what you owe us."

The other man twitched nervously. He was a rather short, ferret like creature, capable of the sorts of lies and trickery that befit a US senator. He stared at the ground and made no reply. The man in the chair spoke again.

"We're not asking much of you. But we scratched your back, now we're only asking you return the favour. You wouldn't want to make this hard on yourself. How old was your daughter again? Eight was it?" he said calmly, in a tone that was apt for discussing the weather.

The ferrety senator's head snapped upwards at the mention of his daughter.

"Don't you threaten me you rotten bastard!" he snapped, finding some steel in his demeanour at last.

"I am a senator. I have guards! I control the law! I could destroy you in a heartbeat!" he hissed furiously.

The man in the chair threw back his head and laughed. And laughed. And laughed.

"What do you think is more important? The law, or life? Will your precious law save you when you have concrete strapped to your feet at the bottom of the river?"

He leaned forward and grinned menacingly, levelling a pistol at the senator's heart.

"I know everything about you. I control you. I own you. And if you control the law, and I own you..." He cocked the pistol.

"Why, that means I am the law!" he boomed, cackling maniacally.

But to his surprise, the Senator refused to be cowed into submission. "You need me. I'm no use to you dead. But I am done with you and your childish threats. I refuse to play your games any longer!"

The man in the chair sat quietly, his emotionless face giving no clue as to his thoughts.

"Because we are friends, I will give you time to

reconsider that statement," he said, in a deadly tone more terrifying than any bully's shouts.

"But for now, I would like you to leave." And the Senator spun on his heel, and did just that, finding a steel in his spine he hadn't possessed when he entered. And just before he left, he heard two words that made his heart skip a beat.

"Take him."

Outside, the Senator locked eyes with a man in a broad rimmed hat walking past him. Was he with the mob? Had he heard his boss's command? Evidently not, as the man looked away and kept walking. The wind tore at his face with icy fingers, as if in rebuke for the stupidity of what he just did. Senator Stern huddled a little deeper into his coat, as if it would give him some sort of protection from the wind, but most of all, all the eyes. The eyes in the newspaper stand. Were they looking at him, or were they watching him? The child standing in the doorway. Was it watching him? Even the children couldn't be trusted.

The eyes were everywhere. The Senator glanced behind him as he walked. That man in the brown bow tie. Was he there two blocks ago? Was it his eyes the Senator felt boring into his back?

He went around the corner of the block. Could that be a gun in the baker's apron, or was it simply some sort of kitchen implement? Was the butcher threatening him with his knife as he carved of a chunk of ham, or was he simply going about a butcher's normal business?

Senator Stern thought it would be highly ironic to be assassinated by a butcher. "The mob always has their pound of flesh," the old saying went. Wouldn't it be hilariously tragic for him to be robbed of his flesh by an actual butcher? The Senator couldn't put that thought past him as he hurried down the side walk, away from the butcher.

He went around another corner, and groaned to himself internally. The way ahead was packed with a huge throng of people. The Senator stopped for a moment and looked behind himself again. The brown bow tie. The old man with the brown bow tie was still there. Then the Senator knew. He wasn't being watched, he was being followed. He broke into a run, and launched himself into the crowd, shoving people aside with reckless abandon. A lady with curly

red hair screeched and tripped, groceries spilling all over the pavement. The Senator kicked away a jar of jam as he frantically pushed further into the crowd. The jam was red. As red as blood. As red as his blood.

Somebody pushed the Senator back, and he lurched to the side. He saw a brief flash of silver. For a moment, it felt like a needle. Then the excruciating pain paralysed him, and blood poured out from his side like a faucet. The Senator's legs collapsed under him, but still he reached out a hand, as if begging for one last request.

"My daughter," he whispered through lips bubbling with blood, and then he lay still.

Albert Chau

Year Ten Literary Contributions "Veritate et Virtute"

"Truth and courage" our school motto says to its students. I had no idea what that was supposed to mean when I first came to Sydney Boys High School.

"Ah, an interesting story that! The school motto used to go something along the lines of "be ashamed, you who come last", but of course, that's not very sportsmanlike, so the language boffins at the time just got two nice things, turned them into Latin, and put an "and" in the middle! Ah haw haw haw haw!" our maths teacher informed us, guffawing in his very old-timer British way. A very reasonable explanation, I thought, and so the motto didn't warrant any further consideration.

And yet, over time, I began to think that perhaps there was some greater logic to it after all, something even my teacher couldn't see. There are certain things in a school only a student could know, like which groups are where in the hierarchy, or what sitting in certain spots in the classroom means. So perhaps it is fitting that the school motto, something crafted to motivate kids to greater heights, is something only a student would understand.

Nowadays, I look on the motto with something more than just its literal meaning. To me, the motto says "Look upon the truth, as horrible or unpleasant as it may be, and face it with courage anyway!"

One can see how well the school lives by this motto just by looking at the sorts of other schools that it associates itself with. My school is an elite school, but it is an elite government school. It does not have the money a private school does, and it never will. So what inter-school competition is it in? The richest

private school association in the state, on a public school budget. Somehow this doesn't seem to faze our mighty leader, our Principal, in the slightest. He leads his colleagues and his charges forward with grand schemes and plans that seem to say to our competitors "Hah! We're just as good as you are AND more cost efficient!"

Of course, with this great imbalance in resources, it soon becomes clear that the true test of our motto comes with sport. My first sport was basketball. I was never much of an athlete, and as such, ended up in one of the lower grade teams. As expected of a lower grade team, we lost nearly every single week. Not a problem, I thought, as we were young, and Sydney Boys were the undisputed gods of basketball. We'd soon find our victories. And then came the soccer season for winter. I ended up with again the lowest grade team, and endured almost a whole season of losing. Our losses were amazingly terrible, with ridiculously low scores, and this gave me my first hint something was amiss. But again, our higher-grade teams were reasonably successful, and so I dismissed any misgivings. Summer soon came around again, making it basketball season. But this time, the basketball teams filled up very quickly, and the coaches began dropping swathes of people from the team. As one of the lesser-skilled members, I was soon dropped, and found myself winding up in rowing, who were short of members. And boy was that a different kettle of fish.

Any experience I had had of losing in the past was amplified tenfold. Now instead of getting flogged most weeks, we were flogged every single week. And that wasn't even the worst bit. The rowing program has easily the most time intensive and torturous training out of all the sports programs. And for what? I would find myself wondering, while freezing to death in a boat rapidly filling up with rain. Rowing training stopped for nothing, it must be said. While another sport might cancel their training halfway through the session, not rowing. The only way to cancel the session would be to get back to the rowing shed, and the only way to do that was to keep rowing. And to compound matters, rain would constantly pour down and fill the bottom of the boat, making it even more difficult to row. And so the season would continue, every session a trial. If it wasn't the rain, it was the baking hot sun, and if it wasn't that, then it would be the wind and the choppy waves which threatened to overturn our little boat every few strokes.

And still it baffled me as to why we did it. On television or in movies, the underdogs always struggled valiantly and seized their glorious and well-earned victory in the end. It felt to me as if it wouldn't have been humanly possible for us to struggle any harder, and yet our crew came dead last every single time anyway. While one might struggle in a difficult situation for even the slightest glimmer of hope, it soon became clear that in this situation, there was no hope. And that was how the losing of all hope taught me the relevance of our school motto. It took a constant battering of defeat to show me the truth within.

Our crew had never won a single race, and it never would win a race apart for some divine catastrophe striking down everyone else. And yet, we would continue on, not for any logical reason, not for some kind of hope of victory, but just because. Just like how an ant would continue in its life following trails and picking food because that's just what it did, our little crew would continue training and racing and losing until our tenure was finished, because that was simply what we did.

True to its motto, while the Sydney Boys crews might race and only achieve defeat, nobody can say it was for lack of courage. They may lose, but at the end of the day, they still go out with wonderful spirit and glorious aplomb.

Albert Chau

Dad is a Lot Like Me

Dad was never the kind to talk. I think his favourite word is actually 'humph'. Unless something actually interested him, he would give the occasional grunt and nod. But, with a shift of personality, dad would envelop us with stories when talking of his life. We learned of his heftiness and plumpness as a child. We learned of him being lost from home after chasing chickens down the road. And we learned of his life in China, and the "big opportunity" he took, in moving to Australia.

Dad was the youngest of a brother and sister in a town in Shanghai. In his hometown, a tradition that persists to this very day, is still held on first birthdays. A red cloth – was the Chinese colour of luck – tied to dad's back with three objects placed in front of him. Grandma and Grandpa chose an abacus, a brush pen and a thermometer. They thought that whatever dad chose, would represent his future path in life. I'm told that with hesitation, dad made his way to all

three, but finally settled on the abacus. Grandma told me that he held it so tight, wouldn't let it go and laughed an evil laugh. I guess it works then – Dad's a miser with money. Doesn't let it go, unless it's "completely necessary to survival!" I swear that when he says that, he laughs a little evil. I guess it makes sense, I mean why waste money unless you need it? I guess that's what I always thought.

When he was old enough for school, dad became interested in a whole variety of new things – bugs, the flow of a river, in essence, anything that moved. If anything caught his attention, it would hold his focus until someone interrupted him. Grandma told me that dad's teachers would always have to come looking for him, after lunch breaks. At home, dad did the same. Grandpa would call him by his pet name, "small piggy", physically turning his face so he could see him – understandably wanting his child to pay attention to him – but dad's focus would remain unwavering. Grandpa said that dad's focus would remain so completely fixed that his face got so tense, that it was a little scary. I mean, dad still focuses hard when reading the newspaper. It's intense – real intense. Apparently, mum says that when I focus, I can get pretty intense too. I never really noticed.

Dad said he spent a lot of time doodling in his 'anything goes' sketchbook. Even when he played tag, he hid well in the hopes that whoever was 'it' couldn't find him, so he would sit quietly and draw in the dirt. Grandma said he started at an early age – she showed me the brown stains on the wall; said she could never get it out. He soon got interested in model-making. He says grandma wouldn't buy him the toys he wanted, so he would make it out of salt dough – or Asian play-dough. He still has some of his models – he's always been creative. I mean, I even go to sleep looking at the picture of 'Ash and Pikachu' that he drew that hangs in my room. I reckon my love of art branches from his. I even enjoy my occasional doodles during school.

Dad and his class went to Fuutzang Province one day for an excursion. They climbed a fog-filled mountain, inhabited by wild red-nosed monkeys. They were big, big monkeys. Aggressive ones, while at it. They were told to stand clear, dad followed rule. When they got to the top there were at least fifty monkeys. Dad says that the single, biggest monkey swaggered towards him, walking on his two back feet. It got down low, staring dad down; red nose flaring, red butt posed in the air. They stood each other off, each gazing their iron gaze – dad called it a real "Dragonball Z moment, it was just

me and him". Dad says he won out – he claims it lasted for at least ten minutes – the monkey bowing and then running off. Dad always liked animals – said they have a connection. God knows how many parrots, dogs, budgies and fish we've had at home. I know how he feels. Animals always understand me.

Dad came to Australia in his late twenties. He took several apprenticeships in Tempe; learning the Aussie language and way of life. Working on his basic grasp on English, Dad learned to speak fluent English. Dad has shown me his English-Chinese Dictionary. He learnt that thing back to front, and then begun on newspapers; circling every word a mystery to him. Mum said that dad would have almost half the newspaper circled; and then within his Cambridge dictionary, half the definition would be circled. Dad always had persistence – still does. Who knows how many times he'd have planted lettuce seeds, only to be something the size of a tomato? I'm guessing at least fifty times. At least they're getting there – they're about the size of a grapefruit. I've planted tomato seeds before; plenty of times. I guess they're also getting bigger.

Dad worked hard when he began to study. Dad studied medicine in China, but pulled out late in the course, when symptoms of minor colour blindness progressed. In Australia, he studied business; juggling ten years of study with me, mum and sis. I mean we were just babies and mum was also studying. But all his work later pulled off, beginning work as a business planner and consultant, and an accountant. Dad always loved numbers; and now his work revolves around it. Now that I think about it, I think it was Dad who taught me my 1 – 10s.

Dad was an adventurous kid; and now he's one of the most adventurous of adults. Now, he doesn't mind breaking the rules once in a while. Dad often takes the car to 80 in a 60 zone. It terrifies me. Not because I think I'm going to die – I mean it's thrilling and all – but fines are big nowadays. Dad once jumped on the train tracks to get my favourite hat that blew onto the tracks. I mean back then, I was a small kid, and thought it was an 'act of justice' – just one that broke a lot of laws. Oh, but who am I to talk. I once rode a whole train trip with my feet on the seat.

Dad's a lot like he used to be. He is almost as he was when he was a kid. Now that I think about it, we're a lot similar. We look the same, we think the same, we do the same. I love him. And he is, a lot like me.

Victor Zhang

How Do I Love You?

How do I love you? Let me count the ways.
I love you with my mind, body and soul.
I'm finding you through what seems like a maze.
I'm striving for you, which is my one goal.
I'm lusting for nothing more than just you.
One glance from you makes my heart skip a beat.
I feel there is no need to think this through.
You light up my day, whenever we meet.
My soul can reach, when feeling out of sight.
But we both know that we won't be apart.
If fate tries to break us apart, I'll fight.
I love you with passion, whole with my heart.
When the time comes, I shall take my last breath.
I will even love you after my death.

Grant Choi

My Life Now

I spend so much of my life now in routine. Eating cereal, doing homework in class and waiting at the bus stop. That is the worst, standing in the sliver of sunlight on the pavement because it is fiercely cold in the mornings. Every single morning I stand there, waiting for a croaky bus in a place that smells like puke and boozy nights. I hate it but I feel obliged to go through it. Routine and order means success these days. But there are better times, away from everything and closer to me.

They remained silent walking down the garden path, but you can see everything is in their faces, tight-skinned with anticipation. Lips stay pursed, quiet and emotion-hiding. Passing the gate their grimaces become smiles. Gruesome and grotesque from one ear to another. A right turn and about twenty metres up the hill. It is pitch black as they lay down their skateboards on the road.

The boy is like a dog, giddy with the night air splashing on his face. Black sloppy joe, hawaiian shirt sticking out underneath, no shoes so he can feel the ground. Next to him is a redhead boy with a pair of thrashed vans, silently boisterous. Both are in desperate need of a haircut, tufts of salt and sun damaged hair sprouting out at every angle. The air smells of youth and mixes in with the scent of bud under dirty fingernails.

They swerve and carve down the empty road, the stars blocked out by the fig trees lining either side of the curb. The redhead shouts and giggles, spits at the cat in the gutter and slips his hands down the

back of his shorts. The boy with no shoes can feel each crack, each pebble in the concrete as he pushes his board. This is what he lives for: sensation of gravel and night air to tell him you're alive and he has a companion to share it with.

And as I stand there in the little sliver of morning light, hunched and toe-tapping, I remember nights like that with such clarity and fondness that I believe I'm still there. There really are no implications from those nights, but as I stand here smelling puke and boozy nights I feel small and inadequate, like something out of place. There is no real meaning and success out of those nights except the knowing that it is what I want and what makes me happy, which is most important.

Marcus James

Steve's Sonnet

My love for you burns like an open flame
My passion for you is a blinding light
But you treat love like it is just a game
And your rejection turns day into night
Your eyes light up when smiles become your face
Their blue and icy hue is perfection
Yet these eyes will never light up for me
As I can never win your affection
Yet time will definitely move me on
No matter how much I feel for you now
Your beauty now may nearly 'clipse the sun
but time will surely turn you to a cow
and just as time will help me to forget
such time will come when beauties sun will set

Steve Comminos

My Place in China

We walked through the street, trudging along the snowy alleyway. The bleakness of the roads provided insight into the completely different world. Cesspools of filthy water webbed rampant across the uneven concrete floor. The unwavering stench of the masses of fish carcasses and mouldy rice, put me off the hot chocolate that I held in my hands – the only thing that I felt comfortable with, the only thing I knew. 'Yumme Milk', it was called. Yet this one thing was different. It tasted different; a residual taste of bitterness, yet the steam it produced was a welcome embrace. The urban, grey sky, lit up by the cascade of taxi's that puzzled the road. This was a place I didn't know, yet it was a place that my parents knew so well.

We made our way to dad's old suburb, darting through the interwoven maze of streets. Dad knew his way around; you could tell it brought back memories. Dad was smiling, something he rarely does. Dad doesn't talk much – I think his favourite word is "humph" – but something had done it. Dad enveloped us with stories of his childhood, the good old stories of 'Growing up in China'. Mum tells us we're nearly there, dad doesn't stop talking. He speaks feverously in Chinese, pointing around as he goes. It doesn't take long for me and my sister to remind him that we can't understand him – he's too caught up in the moment. Dad sees a food stall and gets excited, mum quickly follows suit.

"Now kids – kids, quickly! Come, come, quickly come! Try this!" Dad's obviously excited, lifting the scalding hot pot-stickers to his lips. I bite into mine, burning my tongue; but Mum and Dad do it the 'Chinese way'. They gently pierce the top, cherishing the sweet smell of pork and spring onion. Dad inhales, as if savouring the experience. Mum and Dad come out of the street meal, more happy than ever; my sister and I with nothing but a burnt tongue. Dad runs off again, ever getting closer to his old home.

Mum had told me that China's subway system was "efficient and very comfortable". I had high hopes of a refuge from the thriving streets and bustling market places. Mum had completely lied. The act of getting on the train was a scene of battle. Pushing, jumping, shoving, running, these people were at the Olympics as they tried to get a seat. Those who got a seat snickered; the one's left standing muttered curses under their breath. The doors slid shut, trapping their prisoners. I couldn't move, the armpit of a tall, stocky man shoved in my face. For the whole train trip, I could do nothing, but smell the foul stench of what was becoming my image of China.

Shloop. The light turned green as the turnstile opened. The raging cacophony of the stampede of feet and the orchestra of competing voices enveloped the badly lit station. The harsh lights flickered, hypnotic, transfixing as we walked. We made our way to the exit, mazing through the others trying to do the same. The erratic dance proved too difficult for me, as I stepped on the foot of a man. "Oh, sorry" I gestured towards him, trying to break the obvious barrier that existed between us. I bowed my head empathetically. He looked at me with spite, mumbling under his breath and stomped away.

Mum told me to be more careful, "Watch where you're going! Just – just don't do it again" as she

dragged me away. I watched where I went, ensuring to place my step correctly; but instead all I could see was the harsh light, blazoned with the man's hateful face. It hurt more than any stomp to the foot could, dragging along his hate with every stride, echoing the pain with every step, as we made our way out of the station.

"Eh! Gou Ma!" said dad, banging against the intercom system. It buzzed repeatedly, but yet he pressed. "Open the door! I'm here."

Dad's sister sounded almost exactly the same, "Ehhh! Li Xian! You're here! You're here! Quickly come in."

The buzzer sounded off, followed by a small click. "Kids come on, it's unlocked," said dad, gesturing for us to move forward

"Dad, you go first."

"Humphh," as he made his way up the flight of stairs. Our footsteps echoed along the receding concrete steps. The concrete all around us could barely be seen; the lack of light eased yet aided the suffocation. Our hands trailed against the smooth wall, touch, our own reliability penetrated an icy chill, flowing through my body

"What level are they on mum?" my sister asked.

"Fourth – now come on."

"And mum, what do we call them?"

"Well, call your aunty, 'Gou ma'; your grandma 'Hua bou' and your dad's aunty, 'Shao Aryi'" These names were alien, inconceivable for me. We were there. A large red door faded in colour, ornate in yellow casting and Chinese characters; its beauty hidden by the barred metal door that covered it.

"Is everybody ready?" Dad was shifting from foot to foot; he was as anxious as I had ever seen him. We nodded, more than enough reassurance for him. Dad knocked, "Gou Ma! We're here!" The door opened, warm light blared out of the slowly looming crevasse, illuminating the staircase in a dazzling display of jumping shadows. A violent eruption of noise, welcomed us in. It was warm. The room was bright. The smell of red bean swelled through the air. My aunty paraded candy in our faces, my grandma tousled our hair, as they embraced us in their warm, gracious hugs. I couldn't understand it but for the first time, I had found my place in China.

Victor Zhang

Year 9 Contributions

Book Review: 1984: Where Lies are the Truth

The date is 4 April, 1984. A world where nations are continuously at war, where the past is continuously fabricated; where there is no privacy, where thoughts and actions are monitored continuously, where you can trust no one. This is a world where three slogans dominate the mind; WAR IS PEACE, FREEDOM IS SLAVERY, and IGNORANCE IS STRENGTH.

The book 1984 is one of the most famous sci-fi dystopias ever written, and for good reason. Published in 1949 by George Orwell, it is intricately constructed and written to create an emotional and immersive book. The plot follows Winston Smith, a member of the outer party who works at the Ministry of Truth. He is just like all the other workers except for one thing; he has a memory. Unlike all the other party members, he can remember that life used to be better. He can remember that the ration servings were greater the week before, even though announcements said they had increased. He is able to think freely and not to be manipulated by the party, and he believes that there are others out there who think the same way he does. He attempts to find the rebellion group called The Brotherhood, and to help take down the party once and for all.

1984 is a beautifully written book. Orwell really can captivate the attention of his readers with his style of writing. This book is written with lots of depth. There is a large mass of information that Orwell writes in his book to immerse the reader and to create this fictitious world in our minds. If you like fast paced books with action, thrills and adventure, this book may not be for you. The story plods at a steady pace, and while it might be too slow for some, I found that the descriptions and backstory was more than enough to keep me glued to this book. Orwell has a habit of writing in small little details, and fleshing them out. While these details often don't have much to do with the plot, it makes the world of Winston Smith more believable than ever. This, I think is the true purpose of this book, and the dystopian world it contains. Though the year 1984 has already passed us, the book shows the reader what could have been, and even what our world could turn into. The believability of the fantasy world that Orwell creates hits home the fact that world of 1984 could soon become ours, and serves

as a warning or a caution to the future generations.

Orwell makes characters like a craftsman working with wood. He can shape them and mould them, and make them like humans, with their virtues, their weaknesses, and their loyalties. Every main character has their own "lives", i.e. you could write a just as interesting book from their perspective. They all have backstories and all shed light on not only the plot, but many crucial questions about life, happiness, slavery, war, and ignorance.

Overall, George Orwell's most famous work, 1984 is a true masterpiece and is a must read for most people. Not only does it shed light on many philosophical questions about life, it is a great read, and is thoroughly entertaining.

Thomas George

Sonnet:

Love – it is such an overused word
Every day from the mouths of common folk
It is uttered, whispered, and can be heard.
Love can warm the heart, with its gentle stroke
And it can brighten any cloudy day.
Love is like a magic, working its spell
Mysterious, miraculous, always.
Some say life without it would be a hell
Eternal suffering without an end.
There is only one happiness in life –
Some say: to love and be loved. It transcends
Above humans, and it is often kithed.
That is what love is, to put it simply
A word, a feeling, that's expressed daily

HongJian Liu

Heroes

Bullet ridden clothes
All that's left of past heroes
Stored in glass boxes.

For all to spectate
And for all to remember.
Those who fought in wars.

It is quiet now.
But when these men were alive.
Gunshots and mortars.

Their names now on plaques
In the courtyard with poppies.
To be remembered.

Ian Lai

War Poetry

In The Battle

Hundreds of stories, shelf by shelf
Of soldiers who could not get help
Of soldiers who saw time fly by
And those who watched their comrades die
Their stories are shown on the shelves

Thousands of stories, shelves by shelves
Of men who tried to save themselves
Of men that were afraid to die
In the battle

Countless tales, there on the shelf
Of heroes that died getting help,
Of heroes attempting to try
To bring peace to everyone's lives
Their tales remain on the shelves
In the battle

Chris Lee

My Brother

We all sat, waiting at the door
Praying for a fast end to war.
Reminiscing of days long past,
When his days here weren't the last.
But here we sit, at the door.

I should be proud, but I saw
Uncertainty by the door,
He stood there waiting, to be asked
Never to go, so soon, so fast!
This is his home.

But he did, through that dead door,
Gone so far, to all we abhor,
But He came back, three long years past,
Our grieving soon stopped, at last!
For open, finally, was that door.
This is his home.

Gordon Lu

The Roll Of Honour

Their name liveth for evermore
Their country is what thy died for
This place honours their memory
Behind each name lies a story
A lonely death - a foreign shore.

A hundred thousand dead and more
In this place no one asks "What for?"
We know each death represents glory...

Lest We Forget.

Each name, a family it tore
Each name, a heart split to its core
Off to a slaughter factory
They all knew it would be gory
Each war, bloodier than before
Lest We Forget.

James Chee

A Soldier and His Duty on the Chessboard

The young man's face stares on and on,
Heaviness lays his chest upon,
Filled with a daunting sense of fear.
His eyes are sunk, his end is near,
He knows the battle must be won.

He holds the armour he will don,
And knows in time that he'll be gone,
Far from this world, away from here
But fight, he must.

He knows he is but just a pawn
Where loss kills cultures, love-forgone,
Where Checkmate has outcomes severe,
Where squares are countries none sincere.
Some can flee, all people forlorn,
But fight, he must.

Vishnu Avudainayagam

Collapse of a War Plane

The room perpetually quaked
We almost forgot it was fake
Dull metal underneath rumbled
Brave pilots shaking hands fumbled
As they made a fatal mistake

In a red light the room was draped
Symbolising the flames which snaked
The plane's belly which had crumbled
Wings whistling by

Through the cold air the clouds reshaped
Terrified, our trembling mouths gaped
We could hear their subtle mumble
Forever they will be humble.
Seeing their cruel pain, our hearts ached
Death in the sky

Alex Hossain

Remember, Forever

Shadows of the War
Posters plastered on the wall
Always remember

Medals row on row
A never ending story
Glory forever

The Soldier Unknown
We will never know their names
But forever grateful

The Roll of Honour
The ultimate sacrifice
Legends forever

Kevin Liang

Year 8 Contributions

Boy Overboard is a play by Patricia Cornelius, adapted from the novel by Morris Gleitzman. After reading the play, Year 8 English experimented with empathetic and reflective writing. Their task was to assume the perspective of someone who has had to leave their homeland. Following are some extracts from their writing:

"The television screen flickered on and off, switching between scenes. The grey, withered curtains danced with the soft, afternoon breeze, letting little flickers of light mark the aged carpet. The sunset sent a warm, comforting ray of light, resting on my face. I was sitting in an armchair, staring at a photo frame on the cabinet. It was a photo from long ago in black and white, a picture of my family and me staring at the camera with tired smiles. Smiles to represent the hardship we had had to persevere through and also the unknown mysteries of the future. Behind was an overbearing ship, casting a shaky shadow over the harbour. Tears welled up as I looked at this last memory of my hometown."

Dylan Goh

"It all began when my uncle became ill in China. He was the person I lived with and every day I would help him with the crops and the farm. My uncle was very kind but everything went wrong when he died. My uncle left me a note saying, "I'm sorry for leaving you. I have left you some money, just enough for you to travel to Australia. I'm sorry that you have to leave this place but the crops are too hard for you to harvest by yourself." I felt extremely gloomy as I packed for the long journey. As I left the house I

thought of all the happy times with my uncle. I began to walk to the bus stop, in the blazing sun, to wait for a bus to take me to the harbour."

Steven Dai

"I stumbled into a run across the empty grass field, my body battered and bruised to a dirty, swelling pulp, tears streaming from my bloodshot eyes, my burnt throat choking uncontrollably from the heavy smoke engulfing and polluting the air. I desperately restrained the overwhelming urge to break down and to give myself into the warm embrace of the airless smoke, to be just another casualty of the pointless war. I had no family, no friends yet I still pushed on, in the almost empty hope that I would be able to escape the insanity, that I would be able to start a new life. Only hours before, my parents had saved me from death at the expense of their own lives, placing me in a hidden bunker during the surprise ambush, unbeknownst to the soldiers who had proceeded to search the remains of the village after their onslaught.

"Although I was sure that I was the only person within the field, I could still hear the rapid pattering of relentless gunfire echoing in my ears, and I could still feel the aftershock of grenade explosions running through my body. I shut my eyes tightly and attempted to clear my mind and erase the memories, yet they flooded back into my head like a wave, creating images so vivid that I almost lost sense of reality. *Déjà vu* hit me as I experienced the destruction of my village once again. I watched helpless as countless soldiers emerged suddenly from the forest and attacked my unsuspecting village, killing thousands of innocent lives and destroying their homes without a single shred of emotion. Each memory struck me like a bullet."

David Hoang

"It was my tenth birthday and my family and I gathered around a tattered table with a small loaf of bread. I grabbed it and ripped the cold hard bread in four pieces. I gave the three largest pieces to my hard-working father, my kind, gentle mother and my younger sister. In my hands was a small slice of bread. I bit down on the delicacy and thoroughly chewed, tasting the flavours. The hard yet unusually good texture was something to die for. Enjoying a piece of bread was a rare occasion.

"After the feast my father handed me a worn-out soccer ball: "Happy birthday son."

"Trying hard to show my father that I had grown up, I held back tears. As I ran outside with the ball my mother called out, "Son, be safe. Do not play far away from our house. Remember the land mines.""

Justin Song

"I wake up with a jolt, gasping, and sweating all over. It must have been a nightmare. There is nothing. Perhaps our life is a nightmare. I get out of bed with heavy limbs and look out of the only window of our house. It is still dark, the sky troubled, mirroring the ground below. There is no hope on either side of the sky. We can't live like this anymore. We have to leave."

Ethan Abergas

"Shouts filled the air. Several houses were on fire. People were either dead or wounded. My friends were nowhere to be seen. From behind my back I felt a hand grip my shirt and pull me back. Something covered my eyes and I felt myself being lifted into a vehicle of some sort. I heard the engine start and the bumping of the rough road. We drove for about thirty minutes until the vehicle stopped. Someone lifted the blindfold covering my eyes and I saw lights flashing into my eyes. A man in a khaki uniform was standing in front of me with a torch and the blindfold.

"Sorry for the rough treatment mate." He spoke in a strange accent. "We had to get as many of you outta there before the bombers came back." He helped me to my feet. "Get to the boats as soon as possible and you'll be safe.""

Simon Nguyen

"The journey I have just taken was horrible. It was full of other people trying to escape our country. We were confined in a small space, scared, sweaty and smelly. All of us had paid most of our fortunes just to get on one of the boats. Both of my parents had died in an explosion. If anything were to happen to us, they had told me, take all the money and get on a boat to Australia. Fortunately I did get on one. On board it was very crowded. We barely had enough space to fit, yet still more people were getting on, being packed like sardines. We travelled to Indonesia, where we stocked up on food and water and were glad to have space and stretch our legs. It took us three weeks just to get to Indonesia and we hadn't had showers for that entire time. But that was the least of our worries. Our main problem was getting to Australia. We all just wanted a better life."

Harry Huang

Mathematics

Australian Mathematics Competition 2012

Year	No.	Prizes	High Ds	Ds	Credits
7	178	4	16	88	66
8	176	7	18	83	63
9	197	2	12	79	93
10	191	3	9	69	93
11	153	1	31	70	40
12	140	2	20	68	38

Prizewinners

Rex-Xue Lin, Ting Li, Andy Lu, Danny Nguyen (Yr7)
David Hoang, Rafael Ng, Yichen Han, Gordon Yuan,
Amit Deep, Dennis Huynh, James Ye (Yr8)
Kevin Ke, Leonard Mah (Yr9)
Robert Tan, Sida Wang, Michael Hauser (Yr10)
James Chen (Yr11)
Gary Liang, Raymond Hua (Yr12)

UNSW Mathematics Competition

Junior Division

Christopher Chen, Credit; Nathan Wang-Ly, Credit

Senior Division

Gary Liang, High Distinction \$100
Ennes Mehmedbasic, High Distinction \$100
James Wei-Ming Chen, Credit

Science

The Science Staff in 2012 consisted of Mr Webb, Mr Harvey, Mr Coan, Ms Damianos, Dr O'Driscoll, Ms Hybler, Ms Stanisich, Dr Carman, Ms Manolios, Ms Ibbott, Mr The, Mr Bennett, Ms Karagiannis, Ms Patterson, Ms Milne and Mr Kay (HT).

Science courses continued to be popular in 2012 with six science classes in Year 7 and Year 8, seven in Year 9 and Year 10, four Senior Biology classes, one Senior Science class, eleven Senior Chemistry classes and eleven Senior Physics classes.

Students have been taking up senior science courses in unprecedented numbers. The new laboratories handled the heavy experimental load well. The design of having separate class and practical work space works brilliantly.

With all the science going on enthusiasm has fed on itself. The quality of student output and HSC results has been of the highest standard.

Students have attended Physics Geek Club and Chemistry Enrichment at lunchtimes and exam mentoring after school. The National Science Competition, the Chemistry Quiz and Olympiad exams have also contributed to the full schedule.

Students enjoyed excursions studying physics and chemistry at the Powerhouse Museum, the Physics of ride construction at Luna Park, and Biology at the Long Reef rock platform, Camp Kedron and the Zoo.

We look forward to next year and the final preparations for the start of the National Curriculum in 2014.

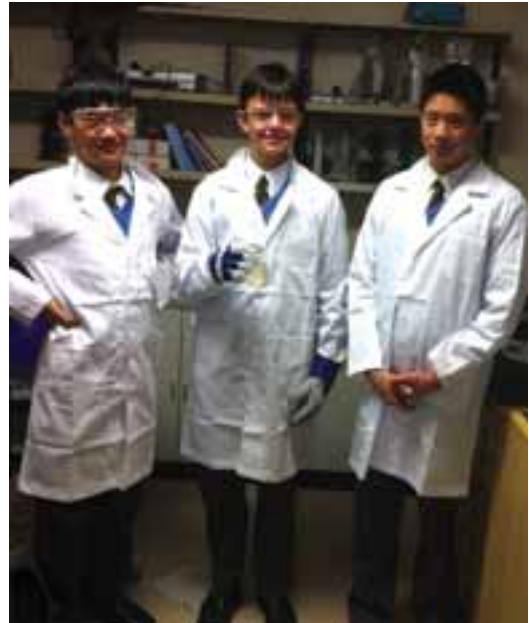
M Kay, Science Head Teacher



*Year 8 at
Long Reef*



Year 8 at Long Reef



Year 10 chemists

ICAS Medallists



*Science Competition Medallists
Philip Mai, Marc Betbeder-Matibet*

Modern Languages and Classics

ALC (Assessment of Language Competence) National Language Certificate Tests

In 2012 students from Sydney Boys High School sat the ALC National Language Certificate Tests in French, German and Chinese and achieved excellent results. Many students achieved well above the State average in both the Listening and Reading exams.

In **French Certificate 2 (Intermediate)**, 100% of Year 9 students gained a High Distinction, Distinction or Credit award in Reading skills and 92.3% achieved Distinctions or Credits in Listening Skills.

In **French Certificate 3 (Advanced)**, 100% of Year 11 students achieved Distinction or Credit in both Reading and Listening Skills.

In **German Certificate 2 (Intermediate)**, 100% of Year 9 students achieved a score of Distinction or Credit in both Reading and Listening Skills.

In **German Certificate 3 (Advanced)**, 100% of Year 11 students achieved Distinction or Credit in Listening and 85.7% achieved a Credit in Reading.

In **Chinese Certificate 1 (Beginners)** 100% of Year 8 students achieved a High Distinction, Distinction or Credit in Listening.

In **Chinese Certificate 2 (Intermediate)** 100% achieved a High Distinction or Credit in Listening and 100% of Year 9 students achieved a High Distinction or Distinction in Reading.

The Language Perfect World Championship

– French, German, Latin and Chinese students in Years 7, 8 and 9 participated in the Language Perfect Championships for the third time this year.

One thousand schools from twelve countries participated in this intense studied vocabulary and grammar in the language(s) of their choice. They answered thousands of questions which resulted in our school being ranked 28th out of 802 schools (comparable size) in the world and 5th in Australia.

Our students received fifty one certificates in total including three Elite Awards (ten thousand points or more), six Gold awards & twelve Silver awards and twenty-eight Bronze awards.



On the left are Madison Wu, Oliver Tseu-Tjoo, Benjamin Nguyen, Leonard Mah, and Vishnu Avudainayagam, Year 9 Latin scholars who received Gold medals and Certificates Summa cum Laude (with the highest honour).



Anes Karahasan (Year 10), Kin Pan (Year 11), Dominic Mah (Year 11), James Chen (Year 11), William Ho (Year 12), Timothy Chin (Year 12) who also received Gold medals and Certificates Summa cum Laude. Christopher Chen (Year 10) and William Wu (Year 10) are absent from the photograph.

National Latin Exam

This year, Years 9-12 participated in the National Latin Exam, an international competition organised by the University of Mary Washington in the USA. A number of our students achieved gold and silver medals in this competition:

Year 12, Gold medallists were Timothy Chin and William Ho.

Year 11, Gold medals were won by James Chen, Kin Pan and Dominic Mah.

Year 10, Gold medals were won by William Wu, Christopher Chen and Anes Karahasan.

Year 9 Gold medallists were: Olver Tseu-Tjoa, Vishnu Avudainayagam, Leonard Mah, Madison Wu and Benjamin Nguyen.

Classical Greek Reading Competition

On Tuesday 25 July **Tim Collier** Year 11 won First Prize at the competition held at the University of Sydney. He read two texts aloud in the original Classical Greek, a passage from Homer's *Odyssey*, which he had diligently prepared, and a second passage by the ancient Greek medical scientist Hippocrates. He had about twenty minutes to prepare.

Mrs Werner, LOTE

Chinese HSK

In 2012, Years 10, 11 and 12 took part in the Chinese Proficiency Test (HSK). The test is a worldwide Chinese proficiency test set by the Ministry of Education of the People's Republic of China. It is similar to TOEFL or IELTS.

Twenty-nine students did the Grade 3 test on Listening, Reading and Writing skills with a total mark out of 300. Seventeen students achieved a total mark over 285 (equivalent to High Distinction) and 9 students received a mark over 270 (equivalent to Distinction).

Nine students from Year 11 sat for the Grade 4 test, which is designed for intermediate learners who can discuss a relatively wide range of topics in Chinese and are capable of communicating with Chinese speakers at a high standard. Two students achieved a mark over 280 (HD) and four students received a mark over 260 (equivalent to Distinction).

Four students from Year 12 attempted the Grade 5 test, which is the second highest level in HSK. The tests are designed for learners who can easily understand any information communicated in Chinese and are capable of smoothly expressing themselves in written or oral form. One hundred percent of students achieved a mark over 260, which was a fantastic achievement from our students considering the difficulties of the exams.

National Chinese Eisteddfod

After three months' preparation and intensive training, our boys once again put on their best performance at the annual National Chinese Eisteddfod.

The 2012 Chinese Eisteddfod attracted nearly 2500 candidates. This annual event was a poetry and prose-recital competition that provided students with the opportunity to show their acquired Chinese language skills in pronunciation, tones, expression and presentation as well as their artistic performance.

Congratulations to the thirteen boys from Year 11 and 12, Ming Chin, Harry Liu, Yongbin Luo, Jeff Peng, Jeffrey Yang, Jason Zheng, Marshall Li, Daniel Lin, William Tu, Han Lin Mai, Howjer Gu, Xu-Dong Feng and Johnson Xu who won Second prize in the 16-18 year-old group competition. Their performance was supreme, the best I have seen in all these years.

Glandan Zheng of Year 10 achieved Third prize in the individual 13-15.

Congratulations to all boys who took part in this event for your dedication and achievement. I hope the experience that you have gained through this year's Eisteddfod will benefit you in your future learning and performance.

A huge thanks to parents who gave immense encouragement and support to our boys. It was great to see families being so involved.

National Chinese Eisteddfod

For the native speakers, contestants who predominantly speak Chinese at home, the National Chinese Eisteddfod occurred on 26 May. For many, though, the preparation for this day spanned several months, required countless rehearsals and used up precious time. Speakers from different high schools, primary schools and Chinese schools across five age brackets would be pitted against each other in not only individual poem recitals, but also group recitals. Speakers were to be judged on pronunciation, emotion, presentation and mastery of the poem so chosen.

It was with great trepidation and some relief, therefore, that the contingent from High arrived for this great day of competition

at Strathfield Girls' High School. This year High entered three groups. Individuals spanned three age brackets: 10-12 years; 13-15 years; 16-18 years. The Year 7 group would compete at nine in the morning, followed by Year 9/10 group and Year 11/12 in the afternoon, whilst individual competitors were scattered throughout the day.

I had been to countless rehearsals with Ms Zhang trying to perfect my rendition of the poem "Nu gao ying" (literally Soprano), which personifies the art of singing in a bird's flight. With over a decade of experience, I remained confident of improving on my Third place performance in 2011. Upon entering the competition room, I noticed that I was the only male in my division and that all but one of the females came from Strathfield Girls. At least one of them would get a prize.

As I was the third contestant in my division, I had time to develop serious nerves. Despite this, I delivered a performance that drew attention, and comments, from the other contestants. However, the judges thought otherwise; I finished unranked, the first time since Year 8, beaten by a trio of Strathfield Girls' contestants.

That, I think, is the beauty of the contest, though. It is the fact that anyone can win regardless of experience, pronunciation or time spent in rehearsal. It doesn't mean to say that all these don't matter, rather that competitions bring out the best in people.

My performance with the thirteen strong Year 11/12 students was the last in the day. Like the groups before, we had been brilliantly and consistently trained by Ms Zhang. Like my individual pool, we were the only boys' group, the other two came from Strathfield Girls and were guaranteed a prize. We



hoped that was a guarantee for second place. When, at last, we were called to perform, having witnessed the darkening sky around us, we belted out our poem with a trained skill and vigour. When second place was announced, we were the most surprised in a crowd of hundreds to find that it had been awarded to us. Our efforts had finally paid off!

There's no 'come back next year' option for me anymore, though the group competition's hostess thinks otherwise. Despite the disappointment of my individual performance, this has been one of the most rewarding years of my participation in the Chinese Eisteddfod competition, which had begun twelve years earlier. For all Chinese students out there, I definitely recommend participation in this competition, as you will have the guidance of the ever more experienced Ms Zhang, and will also learn some Chinese history as you go. And, as always, anyone can win.

Ming Chin, Year 12

German (SAGSE) Scholarship Winner

In an Australia-wide competition run by the German Chamber of Commerce Wilber Koslowski Year 11 was awarded a SAGSE scholarship. He will leave Sydney at the end of November 2012 and return at the end of January 2013, spend two months living with a German family and go to school with his host sister or brother. The students (about ten from all over Australia) also have a winter camp where they get to



know each other. The group then travels to Berlin where they attend a reception at the Australian Embassy. During their free travel time they can explore more German cities, castles, the fast trains, the food, the hot drinks and the cold, cold weather! Sounds good? It is – almost all costs are covered by the scholarship – but not any excess luggage on the return trip if they have bought too many souvenirs!

The Society for Australian-German Student Exchange scholarships was founded in 1967 in Melbourne and every year they run this competition for students of German in Year 11. You don't have to be perfect in German - you will be by the time you get back – but you need to be an all-round good scholar as you are going as an ambassador for Australia. Those of you who met Rouven Stubbe might know that he was here as a German exchange student of the same scheme. And André Brokman had also been a recipient of the scholarship in 2009. If you are interested and approaching Year 11, start practising by saying: Ich bin ein Austauschschüler!

Frau St Leon

My German Exchange Student

Guten Tag!

I hosted Rouven Stubbe, a 16 year old boy from the South West of Germany for three months. In those three short months, I learnt so much and really got a perspective of the language and the people who spoke it. Before this exchange, I didn't really have a thorough idea about the country and the lifestyle of the people, but once I found out, my passion for the German language grew and Rouven and I became very good friends. I would never have had this opportunity if I had not decided to continue with German and therefore being able to participate in this program, and I can't wait to go to Germany next year! German has become one of my favourite subjects, and because of this I hope to major in German at University. When I look back on my choices, I am quite sure that choosing German was the best one I made.

Sagar Nagaraj, Year 10

Japanese Exchange Students

Two students, Ben Hillier (Year 12) and a Year 11 Japanese Beginners student, Mendel Liang, have been selected out of more than 600 applicants across Australia to participate in the Youth-Exchange Project

with Asia-Oceania and North America (Kizuna (bond) Project). This project is a part of Japanese reconstruction plans and aims at promoting global understanding of Japan's revival efforts in response to the Great East Japan Earthquake.

They will depart on the Dec 2 and will return on the Dec 14. This is going to be a valuable cultural exchange program for both students.

Participants will visit the affected areas of the Great East Japan earthquake except for the restricted area and deliberate evacuation area during their visit to see and learn about the situation of Japan's reconstruction from the disaster. The visits may include school visits and volunteer activities organised by Japan International Cooperation Centre (JICE). At the end of the program, all the participants will gather in Tokyo to share what they have learned through the program.

Excursions And Incursions

Chinese

Year 8 Chinese classes went on an excursion to the Nan Tien Temple at Wollongong. This excursion supplemented work being done in the classroom: Chinese philosophies and cuisine, Chinese cultural practices such as Tai Chi and meditation.

French – Theatre LOTE Fantastique

Years 7-8 French classes experienced a performance by the Théâtre LOTE Fantastique which presented Pierre Alain's "Concert Pop", an entertaining and uplifting interactive concert. Using audio-visuals and live music, Pierre Alain took students on a journey through the backgrounds of some of France's « coolest » and most famous French singers, from Serge Gainsbourg to the recent winner of « French idol » Julien Doré. Students were invited on stage with Pierre to help with singing, dancing and percussion !

French Breakfast

Year 8 French classes had the chance to experience a French breakfast (consisting of un croissant, un pain au chocolat, une tartine et des bols de chocolat chaud) during their French lesson. This breakfast

was hosted by Chantal, a native speaker who spoke to the class in French, translating when necessary, telling the students about French table manners, general French culture, some history and relating events and dates to Australian history, concentrating on the different French explorers that came to this country and how different Australia would have been if it had been colonized by the French. The students were encouraged to ask for the breakfast in French. They listened to music, sometimes joining in the chorus and finished by singing La Marseillaise.

French and German – Opening a Door to Europe

Year 9 and 10 French and German students attended a special program 'Opening a Door to Europe' at the University of New South Wales. The School of International Studies of the University of New South Wales in association with the Goethe-Institut and the Alliance Française invited secondary language students to a special half-day program designed to showcase to high school students the value of engaging with European languages and cultures.

This event was an opportunity to celebrate European cultures and highlighted the personal and professional benefits of language study. A range of activities was offered including small group discussions, language games and presentations by current University students and graduates on the subject of international exchange programs.

Latin

Students of Latin in Years 9-11 attended a performance of "Cupid and Psyche" at Pymble Ladies College. The play was produced by the Classical Languages Teachers Association of New South Wales, and such performances are staged only every eight to ten years as it is such a big undertaking. The play was performed in Latin with one scene in Classical Greek.

The excursion was all the more meaningful to the students at Sydney Boys High as two major roles- Jupiter and the King of Greece- were performed by students from High: Christopher Chen (Jupiter) and Jens Waring (the King) of Year 10 Latin 2012. These boys successfully auditioned for these leading roles and rehearsed for about six months.

M. Vozzo

Head Teacher Modern Languages and Classics

Music Department

Music Assembly Address Head Teacher Creative Arts

This time last year, at the 2011 Music Assembly, the Classical Composer and retired NSW Supreme Court Judge, The Honourable George Palmer, was our guest speaker. At the same assembly Ennes belted out something wonderful on the oboe. Who could have known that the Judge had composed a piece for the oboe and was having trouble finding an oboist accomplished enough to perform and record his work. How serendipitous that he should give up his morning to come and share his experiences with us and find the perfect musician to give life to his own creative work, here in a high school.

Well, Ennes did work with Justice Palmer and recorded the *Sonata for Piano and Oboe* at the Megaphone Studios in April this year. It took the Judge to really drive home to me what an extraordinary gift the musicians, music teachers and tutors provide us here at High.

I cannot even begin to count the number of times, sitting in the hall, that I have been transported, moved to tears, overjoyed and uplifted by the performances of the High musicians. There are moments I believe I could be sitting in a concert hall anywhere in the world, so seamless is the music and so quiet the audience.

In 2012 the highlights on the Music Program for me were the HSC showcase and the Camp Concert. The HSC students performed one piece from their exam repertoire to an appreciative audience of peers, family and friends. The performances embodied the many years of study and each student delivered quality performances despite their nerves.

Congratulations to the two boys who were nominated for encore, Ennes Mehmebasic and Tin Wu.

The real show stopper was the camp concert, an amazing spectacle that brought together every musician in a joyous extravaganza. The brass section surprised us by marching through the audience and the finale, with every musician and singer performing in unison, was superb.

This year Ennes was awarded First Place at the NSW 2012 Secondary Schools Concerto Competition winning \$5000. Ennes was also awarded the



KPO's Award of \$500, an extraordinary personal achievement.

The following boys successfully auditioned for the Performing Arts Unit – Sam Marques, Jaan Pallandi, Oliver Kirk, Tin Wu, Frank Zhang, Sagar Nagaraj, Steve Comminos, Shobhan Baranwal, Shaleen Baranwai, Max Koslowski, Richard Hao and Dexter Gordon. Ennes and Jaan were selected to perform with the Sydney Youth Orchestra. The Sydney Youth Orchestra and Performing Arts Unit require the boys to rehearse in major public events throughout the year.

The musicians performed in all capacities and in many venues over the year, representing the school with pride. The Marching Band is always admired for their professionalism at the Anzac Day March. The Senior Strings were invited to perform at Government House.

The Music Program at High is considered one of the finest in NSW. I would like to thank the boys for the joy that they bring to so many through their performances. I would like to acknowledge the time, passion and dedication to your practice and rehearsals and the courage you show every time you share your music with us. You make it look so easy and have so much fun that I forget the hard work and dedication required to deliver beautiful performances.

I would like to thank the music teachers Ms Miller, Ms Kim, Ms Lim and Mr Aoun who work tirelessly to provide the very best opportunities to our musicians and provide an exciting series of workshops, concerts and camps to constantly engage and inspire the boys. The dedicated and passionate team of tutors are also crucial to the success of Music at High running ensembles and accompanying HSC students.

Thanks to Dr Jaggar for the generous ongoing support and finally, thank you to the audience who I am so proud to sit with and enjoy the music. You are respectful and appreciative and that, I am sure, inspires the musicians to keep striving.

Jennifer May

Intermediate Concert Band

Intermediate Concert Band meet every Monday morning in Room 201. It is a combination of Year 7 and 8 students. Playing music in the band is most enjoyable, and this band makes it even more so. There will be the occasional (or more accurately, frequent) inappropriate quip about something or other and that really allows the true character of the band to shine. From the sombre melodies at music camp and the Russian (of course) Fantasy that we're playing now, that's what Intermediate Concert Band is: playing music and having a lot of fun while doing that. The Concert Band would like to thank our conductors Ms Miller and Ms Kim for all these Monday mornings.

Julian Tu, Year 8

Senior Concert Band

2012 has been a chaotic year for the senior concert band with changing conductors and missing musicians. With many Year 12 students leaving the band in order to commit more time to their studies, our younger musicians had to step up to the plate

and cover many of the harder parts that the senior musicians would normally take. Thankfully, we have many talented musicians in our band and they were able to cover these parts with ease. With Ms Lim leaving us half way through the year on maternity leave, we were joined by Mr Aoun who took over Ms Lim's conducting duties with much enthusiasm and many plans for future performances. Adjusting to a new conducting style takes time, though our members worked hard together with Mr Aoun to review classic band pieces. The pieces we have worked on and performed have been *Nitro*, *El Choclo* and *Crazy Train*. We will soon perform in the traditional Jazz in the Courtyard concert and I'm sure that it will go off without a hitch and that our hard work throughout the year will pay off. Best of luck to Mr Aoun and all the boys next year and I hope they continue to work hard and carry on the fine traditions of the High Music Program.

Ben Hillier, Year 12

Sydney Boys High Symphony Orchestra

The Sydney Boys High Symphony Orchestra, which meets every Friday morning, has faced a variety of difficulties throughout the year. With our conductor Ms Lim on maternity leave starting from the second term, and student absences throughout the year due to Marching Band and examinations, we have been left without strong inspiration and performance opportunities. However, with Ms Irwin (also Senior Strings conductor) stepping into the conductor's role and raising the group's morale, the orchestra's continual efforts culminated into a brilliant performance of Max Bruch's *Violin Concerto No. 1 in G minor*, showcasing Richard Hao as soloist. Inspired by this performance, the orchestra has been working on expanding our repertoire and boosting the skills of our members. The orchestra is now co-led by the two Year 11's (soon to be Year 12) Tin Wu (11F) and Frank Zhang (11R), alternating between the Summer and Winter sport seasons, respectively.

Tin Wu, Year 11

Chamber Choir

2012 has been yet another successful year for the Chamber Choir. Despite the graduation of the more senior members of the choir, we were fortunate enough to recruit several Year 7s to retain the size of the choir from last year.

This year has been very different from the last, with Mr Aoun taking over as conductor of the choir, performing a variety of pieces including *Rockin' in Jerusalem* and *Jai Ho*, the combined finale at the concert following the music camp. The choir has also experienced success at the Spring Music Festival, singing *California Dreamin'* by the Mamas & the Pappas as well as Mr Aoun's unique arrangement of *Somebody That I Used to Know* by Gotye.

I would like to thank and congratulate every member of the choir, for their sustained commitment throughout the year. I look forward to witnessing the development of the choir into the next year. I would also like to thank Mr Aoun for the hard work he has put into the development the voices of the choir and for its organisation.

James Chen, Year 11

Senior Stage Band

The 2012 Senior Stage Band is currently conducted by the renowned Bob Coasin. The band is comprised of saxophones, trumpets, trombones, percussion and a piano. The Senior Stage Band this year started off with the wonderful Dave Panichi however, due to other commitments Dave was unable to keep conducting and Bob stepped in.

Every Monday morning at 7:45am we would all be ready to start. Playing pieces covering a wide spectrum of Jazz repertoire, from Paul Baker's *Boogie Lou* to *What is Hip* arranged by Paul Murtha and recorded by Tower of Power.

With many younger players joining the band they have improved greatly blowing everyone away with their musical ability. The whole band has made significant progress with our performance skills, giving us a bright and funky sound well received by various audiences.

We performed at a wide range of locations, some performances including the music camp concert, SBHS Soiree on 18th November and Jazz in the Courtyard.

However, this could not have happened without the hard work and the long hours that our conductors Dave Panichi and Bob Coasin put in.

Shaleen Baranwal, Year 9

Intermediate Stage Band

The Intermediate Stage Band this year proved to be a success. The combination of two bands in Term 3, the Junior Stage Band and the Intermediate Stage Band, allowed the junior players to benefit from the experience of the older players and this allowed them to improve their musical skills. The inclusion of the Year 7s also allowed them to benefit from the more experienced players. This combination of the two bands allowed the Intermediate Stage Band to almost double in size, allowing the band to have more dynamic contrast. With the help of our conductor Michael Walder and Ms Miller, we were able to learn and play many pieces including well-known pieces such as *Four*, *All Blues*, *Lady Marmalade* and *Dynamite*. To be able to play such pieces, we would meet every Wednesday morning to practise. As a result, we performed in many events including *Jazz in the Courtyard* and the *Twilight Soiree*. I would like to thank Michael and Ms Miller as we would not have been able to play like we have without them and their support.

Philip Mai, Year 9

Junior String Ensemble

The Junior String Ensemble has continued developing as new students join the ensemble. The ensemble is always developing with Ms Worthington's expertise which has greatly improved many aspects of our performance. These skills which we have been developing throughout the year include sight-reading, timing and bow technique. The ensemble has also introduced many of us to new pieces such as the *Nutcracker March* and the *Sandpaper Symphony*. I recommend the ensemble for people who have just begun the violin as it is definitely an enjoyable place where everyone is always improving.

James Goh, Year 8

Philharmonic Orchestra

The Philharmonic Orchestra is held every Wednesday morning under the guidance of our conductor, Ms Worthington. The group was a less advanced Symphony Orchestra and some have joined who want to play for fun. As a small group of violins and cellos, we don't just focus on one piece towards perfection, but experiment with several different pieces by various composers like Handel and Mozart and also pieces from well-known films

and ballets. This has allowed us to appreciate music from different eras and genres. Approaching a concert we select a piece from what we had played and enjoy playing. Due to our small number in the group this year, our performances are sometimes merged with the Junior Strings Ensemble. It has been an enjoyable experience this year for our players and we encourage more people to join next year, especially people who play woodwind instruments as we are currently lacking in these.

Vishakulan Prapakaran, Year 11

Senior Strings Ensemble

In 2012, the Senior Strings Ensemble has thrived under the tutelage of Ms Rebecca Irwin. Ms Irwin's professional approach and dedication as a conductor and violinist has enhanced our ability to play a variety of challenging music from different eras. With the benefit of having a larger ensemble than in past years, we were able to produce a greater range of sounds with a dichotomy of tone colours. As a result, we had the privilege of performing at many important events such as the *Sir Roden Cutler* charity event at Government House, a fundraiser for a hospital, a clinic and orphanage in North Korea at *Lugar Brae Uniting Church*, as well as a wide range of school performances. The boys have cherished and gained valuable experience from each performance. Once again, the Senior String Ensemble participated in the *MacDonald's Sydney Eisteddfod* where we performed exceptionally well to earn second place. Special thanks must go to our wonderful conductor Ms Rebecca Irwin, as well as our Year 12 students Thomas Zhang and our leader Toby Funston. The dedication of these boys to the ensemble over the years has been greatly appreciated.

Frank Zhang, Year 11

Percussion Ensemble Report

Percussion Ensemble has been an enjoyable experience for the school's percussionists. This is the first year the music program at Sydney Boys High School has had a percussion ensemble and it's been a great new addition. The ensemble is conducted by the school's drum tutor, Stephen Lamante, and caters for percussionists of all levels. At music camp the ensemble was formed and the juniors learnt how to play instruments such as the congas, cabassa and claves with correct technique. Our first major performance was at the concert after music

camp, where we played a piece called *Afro Blues*. We've worked on a number of Latin rhythms such as Mambo, Afro 6/8, etc. We also worked on different clave rhythms; rumba, son, and 6/8. We spent most of our rehearsals learning these various styles, playing some charts and soloing, all while learning the history and culture of the music. We rotated every few minutes so that everyone got a turn on each instrument. Currently we are working on our own composition incorporating these traditional rhythms while adding a unique contemporary melody on top which will be played on the marimba. We hope to perform this some time in the future. We'd like to thank Steve for running this ensemble for us as it has enhanced our playing on numerous percussion instruments and we enjoy attending rehearsals every week in a laidback environment where we can just jam for an hour and learn new things.

Shobhan Baranwal, Year 10

Saxophone Ensemble

It has been a very successful year for the Saxophone Ensemble group, led by world renowned saxophonist, Nathan Henshaw. Whether he is finding new pieces to play or helping us rehearse, Nathan is a great teacher and he never fails to help us out. From the music camp to rehearsals on Friday mornings to the Bourke St Fair, our small group of eager saxophonists enjoyed every minute of our time together. The Bourke Street Fair at the Bourke Street Public School was especially successful, with much of the public enjoying our tunes while the multiple school concerts were a great hit as well. Saxophone ensemble is a place where students with similar interests and skills get to meet with each other and work together in this great learning environment. I am greatly honoured to be part of this wonderful group.

Desmond Chiang, Year 9

Marching Band Report

This year's Marching Band was another success led by old boy Lachlan Deacon. This stemmed from the great commitment from our band attending rehearsals every Friday morning marching out on the park in the blistering heat. At the start, no one really knew their pieces that well and it sounded cacophonous. But after a couple of weeks, the band seemed to really gel together with Steve Comminos and Michael Hamilton leading the brass, Oliver Kirk



leading the woodwinds and Brendan Hancox leading percussion. This was not an easy task as the percussion had the most trouble learning their lines.

On the day, the weather was great and there were many parents there to support us. The cadets were proudly hoisting the school banner at the front and even some old boys were there. The Sydney Boys High School Marching Band played *Waltzing Matilda* and *Invincible Eagle* throughout the city to commemorate the war veterans who sacrificed their lives in WWI.

In conclusion, I would like to thank the music staff, Ms Miller and Ms Lim, for constantly encouraging people to attend rehearsals and supporting us even in the holidays. But more importantly, Lachlan Deacon has put all of his time and effort into nurturing the students in becoming better musicians and I would like to thank him for that.

Shuming Wang, Year 11

Jazz Ensemble

The current Sydney High Jazz Ensemble is a relatively new band having been formed during Term 4 of last year. Despite this, all members of the band, most of whom were new to the Jazz genre, have improved immensely in all aspects of their playing. These improvements would not have been possible without the many tutors who have worked with the band during this time. On this note, I'd like to thank Michael Gubb, the stalwart of Sydney High Jazz for many years, Daniel May, Scott and Darren who have exposed us to and inspired us to make beautiful music.

Each Friday afternoon whilst most students run eagerly to the bus stop heading for home, the Sydney High Jazz Ensemble convenes in room 201 eager to tap into their creative spirit. Here the band rehearses a broad repertoire of pieces including

works by *Herbie Hancock*, *Thelonious Monk* and *Kenny Dorham*. These pieces are worked on tirelessly and this practice has developed the quality of our playing. A key element of Jazz is its improvisational aspect and in this department we are led by the trumpet player Bennette Jiang. Bennette's solos are rich and warm and never cease to amaze. He has at times lamented the fact that he is not given more choruses to work his magic - 'Two heads are barely enough for an introduction' he might remark - but he is humble enough to share the improvisation around the band.

The other horn players in the band include saxophonists Gordon Qin, Jesse Nixon and Kin Pan, all of whom have made substantial advancements in their instrumental skills. The horn section is supported eagerly by the percussion and strings. The leader of the band Brendan Hancox provides steady pulse on the drums along with bass guitarist Darren Tiang whilst electric guitarist Safat Sufian, who is constantly modest about his exceptional theory skills, is known to at times burst into colourful solos inspired perhaps by his idol Jimi Hendrix. Lastly we have Steve who plays piano and occasionally trombone to a high degree. Steve is a perfectionist and is constantly working on his skills perhaps in order to challenge Bennett for his position as an improvisational mastermind.

The Sydney High Jazz ensemble is committed to promoting this genre, which is unjustly underappreciated in society, as a healthy alternative to the mainstream music of today. I'd like to mention the formation of the Jazz Appreciation Society, a group in which Jazz enthusiasts share sweet tunes, as well as the appointment of Safat Sufian and Kin Pan as Jazz Prefects, a role dedicated to the promotion of Jazz within the school and wider community. These significant milestones will hopefully ameliorate the standing of Jazz within this school community.

Finally I'd like to extend my congratulations to the music staff for their undying support. The members of the Sydney High Jazz Band appreciate their immense contribution to the program and we are all willing to return the favour perhaps by playing an immaculate rendition of *Blue Bossa*: It's only been played a few thousand times but I hear it's a crowd favourite.

Kin Pan, Year 11, Honorary Chairman of the Jazz Appreciation Society and 2012-13 Jazz Prefect



Symphony Orchestra

Back Row: A.Allingham, O.Kirk, F.Zhang.

Third Row: S.Fletcher, B.Hillier, K.Ni, S.Arvind, D.Weij, S.Nagaraj, E.Xu.

Second Row: J.McCahon-Boersma, R.Hao, M.Koslowski, P.Choi, B.Hancox, O.Long, M.Wu, R.Irwin.

Front Row: L.Zhai, B.Liang, J.Zheng, F.Zhang, T.Funston, E.Wang, K.Matsumoto, D.Xue, R.Prabhu.



Philharmonic Orchestra

P.Tung, V.Prapakaran, S.McKenna, D.Goh, S.Nagaraj, K.Matsumoto.



Marching Band

Back Row: D.Wang, S.Fletcher, M.James, S.Comninos, P.Stephens, W.Wu, E.Zhang, K.Ni, B.Hillier, K.Pan.

Third Row: J.Lim, P.Mai, D.Chiang, B.Hancox, G.Qian, M.Lin, P.Choi, J.Tu, M.Betbeder-Matibet.

Second Row: A.Lam, R.Yuan, Y-F.Chen, M.Wu, J.Zhu, S.Nguyen, A.Prasad, Y.Zhou, L.Jepson, K.Michael.

Front Row: J.Chin, D.Yan, E.Wang, A.He, C.Fisher, S.Wang, S.Li, S.We, K.Chambers, D.Gordon, L.Ye.



Junior and Intermediate Stage Band

Back Row: A.Prasad, M.Liu, L.Sharma, K.Ke.

Front Row: J.Kwak, E.Belokopytov, K.Michael, L.Jepson, L.Ye, A.He, H.BNartley.



Senior Concert Band

Back Row: B.Hillier, K.Ni, P.Stephens, W.Wu, E.Zhang, S.Comninios, M.James.

Second Row: M.Betbeder-Matibet, P.Choi, G.Qian, S.Fletcher, B.Hancox, P.Mai.

Front Row: D.Gordon, K.Chambers, Y.Chen, D.Chiang, T.Kim, M.Wu, E.Wang.



Intermediate Concert Band

Back Row: J.Tu, N.Song, D.Wang, A.Karahasan, J.Park.

Third Row: R.Yuan, Y.Zhou, K.Ke, S.Nguyen, A.Prasad, L.Jepson.

Second Row: A.He, C.Fisher, A.Lam, K.Michael, J.Chin, S.We, E.Belokopytov, J.Chin.

Front Row: D.Yan, L.Saunders, J.Kwak, L.Vuong, A.Zafar, H.Luo, E.Xiong.



Senior Stage Band

Back Row: B.Jiang, S.Comninos, P.Stephens, W.Wu, E.Zhang, M.Liu.

Front Row: D.Gordon, M.Betbeder-Matibet, G.Qian, L.Sharma, B.Hancox, P.Mai, D.Chiang.



Senior Choir

Back Row: P.Upatising, P.Stephens, A.Shi, M.Liang.

Third Row: W.Du, J.Zhu, B.Jin, M.Fung, H.Suen, J.Chen, D.Saggar.

Second Row: K.Liu, A.Malik, C.Chan, D.Wei, A.Cha, E.Xu.

Front Row: E.Wang, A.Chao, G.Qian, B.Hancox, T.Collier, J.Tu, K.Matsumoto.



Junior Choir

Back Row: C.Won, A.Prasad, J.McCahon-Boersma, D.Gordon.

Second Row: N.Giannoulis, D.Ho, H.Bartley, A.Lu, K.Wong, S.Balasooriya.

Front Row: A.Razmi, H.Soni, R.Huang, T.Zhang, D.Yan, N.Wong, A.Mathew.



Senior Strings

Back Row: E.Xu, S.Nagaraj, T.Funston, R.Hao.

Front Row: J.Zheng, R.Irwin, F.Zhang, J.McCahon-Boersma, B.Liang.



Junior Strings

H.Soni, A.Nguyen, G.Chung, N.Sun, K.Lee, J.Goh, K.Wu.



Saxophone Ensemble

Back Row: M.Betbeder-Matibet, D.Chiang, J.Nixon, C.Mao.

Front Row: D.Gordon, M.Whittaker, K.Pan, S.Zhang, S.Vakirtsis



Jazz Ensemble

Back Row: B.Jiang, S.Comninos, J.Nixon.

Front Row: K.Pan, G.Qian, B.Hancox, D.Taing, S.Sufian.



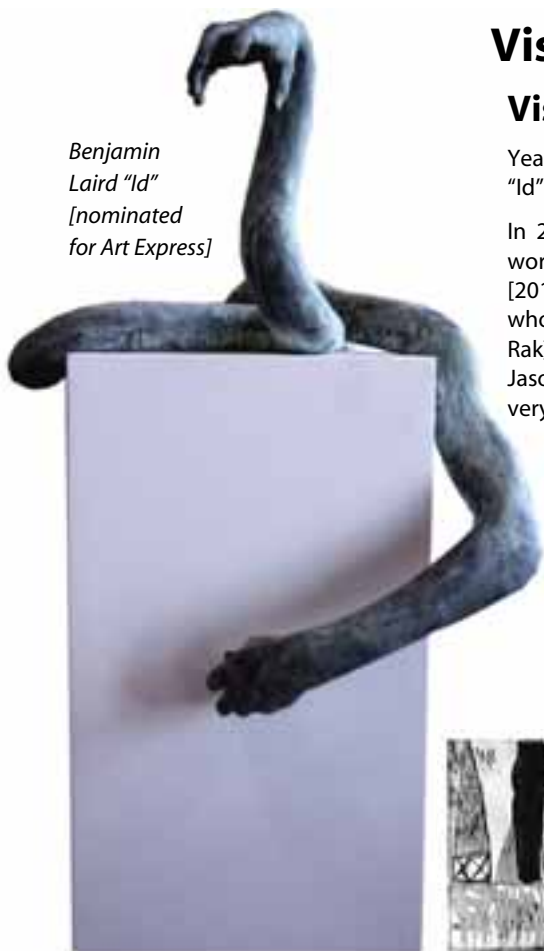
Wind Ensemble

E.Wang, B.Hillier, S.Fletcher, M.Koslowski.

Visual Arts

Visual Arts Highlights

*Benjamin
Laird "Id"
[nominated
for Art Express]*



Year 12 student Benjamin Laird's surreal sculptural Body of Work "Id" was nominated for Art Express.

In 2012 the Visual Arts faculty ran an extension printmaking workshop with Ben Rak and an anime workshop with Joseph Liu [2011] on Tuesday afternoons. The Visual Arts faculty trialled whole day Senior Master Classes with artists [Jason Phu and Ben Rak]. Students and teachers worked for two days with Ben and Jason to develop accomplished etchings in two states in this very successful adaptation of the afternoon extension classes.



Daniel Shao



William Yang



Michael Alexandratos



Howard Gu



Brendan Hancox



Eugene Lee and Ethan Ou won First Prize in the Junior Division of V-Fest for their documentary "A Portrait of Homelessness" which they hope will raise awareness of the struggles faced daily by the homeless. This same film was also third in the prestigious international Robin Anderson Film Awards and was screened at the Quay Dendy Cinema. Ethan also had his video poem screened and placed seventh in the same Robin Anderson Competition.

Visual Design and Film students Howard Gu, Desmond Chiang and Ethan Ou, along with Nelson Tang as team advisor and key speaker, were selected to participate in a graphic design project run by the Department of Education and Training to design a series of "Pride" posters to promote tolerance. The boys collaborated with a Graphic Artist before working on their submission.



Year 12 Visual Arts



Carl Luiker, 'Awaken', stills from the film

The 2012 Visual Arts HSC class produced a range of striking Bodies of Works in a range of expressive art forms. Carl Luiker explored his passion for Parkour in his sensitive, fluid and dynamic digital video. Connor Stack created a graphic novel with a gripping narrative and striking imagery. Kevin Chu explored identity

through a series of subtle and expressive watercolour works. Matthew McDonald engaged the audience with his kinetic drawing on pianola rolls and Mario Ngai reflected on his cultural heritage with a quirky mixed media sculpture.



Kevin Chu, 'Skin Deep', drawing



Matthew McDonald, 'Playback', drawing



Mario Ngai, 'Export Tradition', collection of works

Connor Stack, 'Phoenix Armageddon',
three of the fourteen pages, graphic design

Year 7 Visual Arts

The 2012 Year 7 students investigated two major themes: self-identity and animals. Students began the year investigating facial proportions, personal symbols and drawing techniques to produce tonal self-portrait drawings and digital composite portraits. Students explored Adobe PhotoShop, the Digital SLR camera, portraiture throughout Western Art and traditional drawing techniques in their exploration of this theme. Students were then required to reinterpret their two dimensional works into sculpted clay masks.



Cameron Ma



Gavin Chung



Tom Nguyen



Kevin Huang

Semester two began with an excursion to Taronga Park Zoo where students investigated and responded to a variety of animals. Back in the classroom students worked from these direct experiences to produce an expressive ink drawing and an artist's edition of lino prints.



James Jiang



Gavin Chung



Roy Yi



Alvis Leung



Alan Zeng



Gavin Chung



Alvin Tam



Wesley Yu



Kevin Lee



Matthew Whitaker



Matthew Yuan



Brain Tran



Daniel Hu



Jeffrey Yang



Nigel Sun



Raymond Huang



James Jiang



Daniel Fan



Alvis Leung



Gavin Chung

Year 8 Visual Arts



Alex Mao at work

Year 8 students explored the continuing cultural significance of hybrid creatures in society during Semester One. Students produced imaginative composite drawings and clay sculptures. They investigated and presented findings about iconic hybrid forms from art history. In Second Semester students honed perspective drawing techniques, colour mixing and painting techniques to produce a range of responses to the interior spaces at home and school.



Tony Dong



Vishal Karnamadakala



Stuart Benjamin



Stratton Vakirtzis



Kevin Liang



Karsten Michael



Jason Hong



Lee Yang



Jason Zhu



Garry Huang



Daniel Xu



Alex Mao



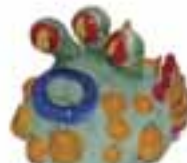
Anthony Rusli



Youki Kita-Leong



Julian Tu



Ervin Zhou



Thomas Nguyen

Year 9 Visual Arts

In 2012 Year 9 Visual Arts students began the year analysing the various ways cultures and artists have expressed power through art and architecture. Students learnt new drawing techniques and applied them to a large scale, mixed media artwork highlighting an issue or event that concerned them.

In second semester students gained knowledge of the important developments in sculpture from found objects to mobiles and kinetic machines. Students explored a range of sculptural practices for investigations of movement and rhythm using music and found materials. Students explored Modernism and its diverse practices to develop imagery and apply methods of abstraction to create a painting.



Angus Wu



Yisheng Liu



James Tinker



Ian Chang



Niyaz Mostafa



Alex So



Jaiden Chin



Andrew Han



Paul Yu



Josh Sanguenza

Year 9 Visual Design



Alex Hossain

Year 9 Visual Design students began the year with a “real” graphic design brief to produce a cover for the 2013 school diary. Students were introduced to the brief by the Head Teacher of Welfare, Mr John Walker. Students worked in Adobe Illustrator to develop and refine their concept. Their second architectural design brief was to design and construct a tree house structure using organic materials and a range of workshopped techniques applying an understanding of architectural principles. Finally, students were required to do industrial design and produce a light form exploring light, transparency and shadow with paper.



Desmond Chiang



Kevin at work



Desmond Chiang



Kevin Dang



Alex Hossain

Year 9 Introductory Filmmaking and Digital Media

In 2012, our Year 9 Filmmaking and Digital Media students wrote professionally formatted film scripts, learned how to operate HDV video cameras, sound equipment, non-linear editing software including Adobe Premiere Pro, After Effects and Soundbooth and produced a trailer and a number of short films.

During the production of these films, the students worked in teams and alternated their crew roles between director, scriptwriter, cameraperson, sound manager and editor.

Our students researched the various conventions of film genres and composition techniques. Film industry formatted screenplays, shot lists and storyboards were also mastered by our students.



Individually, our students wrote and conducted Master Learner editing tutorials for their peers, so as to consolidate their expertise in Adobe editing software.

We encouraged cross-curricular themed projects, including autobiographical and Shakespearean themes. Some excellent short films were made based on the Macbeth play. The students rewrote a Macbeth scene into a film script, using colloquial language and a contemporary setting. They completed storyboards, shot lists, auditioned actors, filmed their scene and finally edited it into a short film. This activity enriched our students understanding of the course content in English, harnessed their time management skills and teamwork while developing their filmmaking techniques and visual storytelling.

Here are some images from our students' work this year.

Kimberley Grace



Year 10 Visual Arts



Brendan Kong

In 2012 Year 10 Visual Arts students focused on the development of the human form from traditional to contemporary practices. Students translated this into drawings and a large figurative sculpture which they photographed using studio photography techniques.

In semester two students explored the urban environment through planned activities across a range of art forms/personal interpretations. Students responded personally to the city environment to produce a mini body of work.



Daniel Shao



Kevin Liu



Sean Wang



Brendan Guan



Gideon Kwok



Michael Alexandratos



Michael Alexandratos



William Yang



Brendan Hancox



Haotian Zhang



Haotian Zhang

Year 10 Visual Design



*Darren Li
and
Brendon
Thai*

The 2012 Year 10 Visual Design students investigated animation using various programs and looking at a number of animators. They created a short animated piece based on the theme 'The Beach'.

In semester two students researched, presented and reflected on emerging technologies and innovations that address sustainable practice. Students designed and built a prototype of a product, social initiative or building that addressed social, economic and environmental sustainability.



Howard Gu



Weber Liu

Year 10 Extension Filmmaking And Digital Media

The Year 10 Extension Filmmaking course encouraged students to deepen their knowledge in filmmaking and digital media.

Group and individual projects were undertaken, which explored subjective, cultural and structural values and beliefs. We encouraged cross-curricular themed projects to enrich their understanding of course content and concepts in other Year 10 subjects.

Film competitions our students entered this year included V-Fest Film Festival and Robin Anderson Film Awards. Two of our students' films (Terence Zhou's 'Monochrome Country' and Ethan Ou and Eugene Lee's 'A Portrait of Homelessness') were nominated as finalists in the V-Fest Film Festival screening at the Chauvel Cinema. A Portrait of Homelessness was awarded the winner of the Junior Section. In the Robin Anderson Film Awards, screened at the Dendy Cinema Circular Quay, A Portrait of Homelessness was nominated as a finalist in this statewide competition.

Students wrote or adapted poetry and converted these into video poems, which were closely linked with the Cultural Studies course in English. Documentary making and its conventions were studied, along with various social issues. Some stunning documentaries were produced from this unit of work. In Term 3 the students studied the techniques of satire in film and then wrote their own satirical scripts and made these into films. Despite it being a challenging task, some excellent work was produced.



During the production of nearly all the films, our students worked in teams and alternated their crew roles between director, scriptwriter, cameraperson, sound manager and editor. Professionally formatted film scripts, shot lists and storyboards were written for each project.

Two documentaries – 'The Art of Cinematography' and '40,000 Years of Dreaming; A Century of Australian Cinema' – were studied so as to develop a global and local historical context to cinema.

A highlight of the year was the Year 10 excursion to the Australian Film Television and Radio School. Students enjoyed a tour of the school and participated in a Digital Animation workshop which was led by an animation professional.

Finally, a showreel was produced by each student to showcase their work in filmmaking and digital media over the last two years.

Here are some images of our students' work.

Kimberley Grace



Year 11 Visual Arts

Year 11 explored a range of art forms as a means of informing their own practice in preparation for the HSC. Students investigated themes of identity and aesthetics through experimental and expressive

drawing, watercolour, large figurative sculpture, etching and site specific art. Students produced intriguing and striking works.



Marcus James



Marcus James



Terence-Kent Ow



Sherman Du



Marcus James



Terence-Kent Ow



Marcus James



Sherman Du

Industrial Arts

Accelerated HSC Design & Technology

This year seven students successfully completed their Accelerated HSC Design & Technology course. The boys designed and constructed a range of interesting and innovative projects, which caught the eyes of the HSC markers and have been selected to be involved in the 'Intech' display. This display includes the best projects selected by external examiners from all over NSW. We expect the majority of students to achieve a Band 6 result in the HSC, with Mr Scrivener already having a 100% success rate with his students in Accelerated DT in previous years! Pictured below include projects examples such as an App for a 'Smart Eco' house, folding, portable and hanging table & chair and a 'Keep Fresh' self-sanitising waste bin.



Year 9 students constructed a Chess Board unit with two drawers; usually the Year 10 major project. This project is a favourite with the boys and so we have challenged the Year 9 boys with this change in program. It has proven most successful as you can see!



Year 10 students designed and constructed Pedestal Tables, which could or could not involve a Chess Board component (as this year's cohort would have missed out on the chess board all together, with the program change). It involved the students designing the central column to be turned on the lathe and the table top shape. Designs were produced with the Auto CAD program.



Junior Design & Technology

Year 7 students constructed a number of smaller projects to familiarise themselves with working with different tools and materials, namely wood & plastics. The main project is the construction of a pencil / 'nic-nac' box.

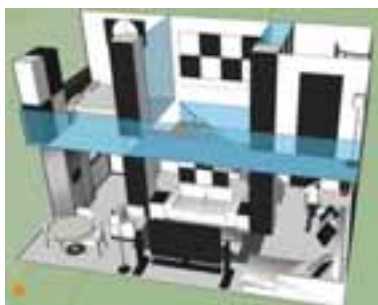
Year 8 students designed and constructed Laptop Units for their DET laptops. This involved designing the unit, drawing it up in Google Sketch Up, costing it and constructing in the practical rooms.



Architecture & Engineering Drawing

The Year 9 course focused on the elementary features of architecture, the types of plans for the full development of a house design required for the client, builder and town planning council. Students finish with a set of plans for 'The Smallest Liveable House Design', completed both with Google Sketch Up and hand construction.

Year 10 students' major works focused on the design and development of a 'warehouse conversion'. The brief was to design a loft studio apartment, given the limitations of the original structural space and size.



Robots and Software Development

The Robotics and Software Development Year 10 elective was run for the first time this year. Students learnt basic programming concepts by producing a game of their own choosing as well as an adaptation of Fruit Ninja using Scratch. Our new Lego robotics kits allowed students to design, build and then program their robots so that they could follow lines and independently navigate mazes. This challenging task required excellent planning, communication, problem solving and teamwork skills. We participated in the National Computer Science School

Programming Challenge where students used the Python language to solve a range of logic, mathematical and linguistic based problems over a period of five weeks.

The following students achieved full marks in this competition in the Intermediate Stream: Andy Bao, Grant Baker, Christopher Chen, Ray Cheng, David Li, Kenneth Liu, Samuel Liu, Yupeng Man, Niroshan Selvakkumar, Eric Yu.



After School Programming Club

An afterschool workshop was run in Term 3 for students who were not in Year 10 and had an interest in learning programming and participating in the NCSS Programming Challenge. The following students achieved full marks in their divisions:

Advanced – Yujin Wu; Intermediate – Kabir Agrawal, Daniel Cai; Beginners; Ramachandran Kaniyur, Sidney Pham, Angelo Yan.

ICAS Computing Skills Results

743 students across Years 7-10 entered the International Computing Skills competition this year, achieving:

28 High Distinctions, 155 Distinctions and 324 credits. A member of the SHS Computing Club, James Ye (Year 8) was awarded the Gold Medal for achieving a 100% result. Well done James!

Drama

Theatresports Report

For those who haven't heard of it, Theatresports is a fast, fun and highly entertaining game played by teams of between three and five players. Essentially, over four rounds and a myriad of games (ranging from 1 minute to 3 minutes) teams are given random topics from the audience or the judges, and from there must deliver a performance on the spot fit for a king, or rather for the maximum number of points. Points are spread across three separate categories, being technique, narrative and entertainment.

2012 was a huge year for Theatresports at Sydney High; with the first ever co-curricular coaching happening from Terms 1-3, led by the amazing Steen Raskopoulos and wonderful Bridie Connell and our very own MIC Ms Rohr, who did a fantastic job organising the various competitions and coaching sessions. Attracting kids from Years 9-11, students flocked to Room 204 every Thursday afternoon to sacrifice a couple of hours of hard study in order to have fun, and in order to become master participants for the three competitions we had over the course of the year.

The first was the Sydney Boys Theatresports night, where all students involved formed teams and pitched their skills against one another, in a survival-of-the-fittest, winner-takes-all scenario. It was vicious, and ultimately only one team was left acting at the end of the night, having defeated the others in a battle on a scale larger than ever before, but probably still too small to make the history books.

Later on in the season came the 2012 Theatresports School's Challenge, which raised the stakes and placed two Sydney High teams (Senior, comprised of five notorious Year 11 students, and Junior, made up of five daring Year 10's) against teams from other schools all around the Sydney region. Hosted on two separate nights at the International Grammar School, both of our teams died, loved and lived – not necessarily in that order – through an emotional rollercoaster of games and challenges. We laughed, we cried, we made times fly, but unfortunately for both teams we were narrowly beaten to the next round and a chance to show off how hilariously great we were at this thing which many of us had only heard about a term prior.



Drama Festival – Lokesh Sharma

Finally, the Sydney High teams got one final chance to prove ourselves in the Melbourne High visit to Sydney Boys at the end of Term 2. With stakes at their highest yet, and fighting for the reputation of what is clearly the better city, Sydney High's teams fought it out against two of Melbourne's on the last Thursday afternoon of their stay, in the final round of what was a very competitive set of games across a number of other sports. While Melbourne won overall by having the highest average number of points split across the four rounds, it was a Sydney High team who held first position at the end of the night and for that we are proud! For many of the boys I'd say this was the most popular, with us having billeted the Melbourne kids in the days prior and thus we were competing against newly made friends.

Theatresports in 2012 was an incredible success, but with added experience and extra students for next year, it can only grow and get better!

Calum York, Year 11



Senior Drama Production with Sydney Girls High 'Seven Ages of Man'

The joint SBHS – SGHS Senior Production of 2012 was a huge success. Auditions were tough, real tough, however under the guidance of esteemed drama teachers Ms Rohr and Ms Surbey we got through. For weeks they plotted, schemed and organised a cast to take on a formidable challenge. The actors put time and effort into vigorously training, remembering lines and hitting the right notes for the music. The atmosphere was always optimistic and Ms Rohr and Ms Surbey always had us on our toes to be ready. We laughed, had fun and at the same time we worked hard; that's what drama brought to our lives.

It was only a few hours before our first performance. Everyone was nervous; we could not let a mistake happen. The crowds walked in, sat down hoping for an insightful performance. The lights turned on and we were on stage to give a wonderful show and that's what we did. The crowd cheered and clapped with cheerful faces. After that night, we were motivated to give an even better show for the future. We went on and did a matinée, another night show and then we knew that we were successful. The entire cast and production team was ecstatic about the level of achievement we reached. The experience of performing with amazing people and under the direction of Ms Rohr and Ms Surbey was truly

extraordinary. If I ever had another chance to do it, I would take it. The experience with a dedicated production team and a beautiful cast was enlightening. Without the commitment of Ms Rohr, this production would have been nothing. So I would like to thank her for her efforts and hopefully the Senior Production goes down the same path of success.

Sharek Khan, Year 10



Social Science

Our Faculty: Mr G Barris, Mr Codey, Mr Dolan, Mr Jackson, Mr Kay, Mr Moody, Ms Stephens and Mr Loizou.

Competitions

Each year a large number of our students enter the National Geographic Channel Geographic Competition, the ASX Game, the Chartered Accountants Economics and Business Studies competition and the EBE, Plan Your Own Enterprise Competition.

Competition Highlights 2012

In the National Geographic Channel Geography Thomas Nguyen of Year 8 finished second in NSW and third in Australia. An outstanding achievement. Well done.

In the Chartered Accountants Economics Competition High received three Prizes. Those boys received a cheque of \$50-\$200. The competition dealt with current economic issues such as economic growth, inflation, the current GFC, theories, unemployment and environmental economics. Prize winners included: Julian Edgtton, Kevin, Krahe and Gary Liang

In the Chartered Accountants Business Studies Competition High was highly ranked. The competition tested business knowledge relating to marketing, accounting, global business and business operations. The following fifteen boys were Prize recipients.

Albert Chau, Samuel Gallagher, Yang Hu, Kevin Krahe, Kenny Lau, Gary Liang, Andrew Liu, Vitthuran Puvanendran, Daniel Tam, Jamison Tsai, Nathan Wang-Ly, Aaron Wong, Peter Wu, Jerry Zhou and Jack Zou.



Aaron Hassan placed 2nd NSW, in the ASX Share Market Game, Semester 1, 2012.

Daniel Tam of Year 11 finished first in Australia in the Junior Division.

In the 2012 EBE (Economics and Business Educators) Plan Your Own Enterprise Competition a group of Year 10 HIGH students finished second in NSW in the senior competition. Their business related to the creation of a tea house titled "Q Tea".

Other Extra Curricular Activities

Social Science students participated in the usual array of other activities.

Year 7 conducted field study research at school exploring erosion issues around the newly constructed COLA. Year 8 visited Bicentennial Park Wetlands as part of their study unit "Investigating Global Environments and Communities". Stage 5 geographers (Year 9) visited Pyrmont as part of their studies investigating "Sustainable Sydney" and "Urban Dynamics". Stage 6 Geographers conducted a field study in the inner west as part of their study unit "Urban Dynamics".

All students were also offered the opportunity to participate in the ASX Game for 2012. Refer to report on following page.

P Loizou

HT Social Science

ASX Share Market Game 2012

The participation in this popular share trading game builds each year with over 20,000 students nationwide competing. High had over 400 students registered in both Semester One and Two games. In the later game High had more syndicates in the top 100 National table than any other school!

The Game is compulsory for all Year 9 Commerce students and these students led the way with several students achieving top 20 placings, no doubt inspired by the exploits of Aaron Hassan (Year 10 pictured) who placed second in NSW in the Semester One Game winning \$400 and an impressive trophy.

The students had much to contend with given the volatility caused by the 'end of the mining boom' and the European financial crisis! However, over 50% of students managed to build on their initial stake of \$50,000. Alas many students 'lost their shirts'! Fortunately the school has a lost property office, the ASX does not!

T P Dolan, ASX Game Coordinator

History

History Faculty

In 2012, the History Faculty has continued to be innovative in teaching and learning in all year groups. We have developed a wider range of teaching strategies, continued to incorporate the use of ICT, trialled the new National Curriculum, and set high expectations for the best possible results across all our subjects: History, Ancient History, Modern History, Studies of Religion and Extension History. We aim to develop and encourage considerate 21st century learners and citizens. Our increasing enrolments in Elective and HSC classes provide the evidence that students are enthusiastic about History at High.

Rachel Powell, Head Teacher History

Year 7 Definitely not Bored with History!

At the end of Term 2, 7S started on a project in which they made board games on one of the Persian Wars. We got into groups and came up with many different ideas and started making our board games. It took us many weeks to complete our board games. The end products were completely different from each other. Some of the games were like monopoly or snakes and ladders and some were like a mixture of the two. Our game was based on the Persian war at Marathon. It was based on a game of chess with pieces that represented phalanxes of warriors and a board with a grid pattern. You had to command your troops to try and overtake the enemy's base on the other end of the board. After all our board games were finished we had one big lesson where we all played each other's games. It was really interesting to see how other groups had made their board games. It was a good experience and we all had fun

Matthew, George and Jordan 7S, 2012

Year 8 History On the Loose

Twice a year buses whisk Sydney Boys High Year 8 students to the spectacular historic landscape of La Perouse. The excursion is fun: a beach and bush ramble to Henry Head, a Treasure Hunt, the best fish and chips in the world, beach games, sand castles, a paddle in the bay, and a leisurely day out with buddies. And no worksheets or assessment.



History Year 8 excursion

At the end of the day the boys will have touched and smelled the bricks and concrete of a lonely 1895 fort which held a gun on a disappearing mount; all will have sat together on the reinforced concrete and rusted remains of a World War II gun emplacement, with a lofty view of ocean, bay, and city; they will have run their hands over the convict hewn sandstone of the Macquarie Tower, a lonely, castellated relic from 1821; they will have leant over the fence surrounding the February 1788 grave of French scientist and priest, Father Receveur, dead from wounds, like 11 other Frenchmen, from stone missiles hurled by natives in Samoa, a month earlier. They will have glimpsed a fortress built into and under Bare Island by 1890; will have read the forlorn messages from French vessels, wondering what had happened to the two magnificent ships and crew under the command of La Perouse; they will have gaped at the large building which originally was the 1881 Cable Station and which now houses the La Perouse Museum; they will have experienced the slightly unnerving, windy, in-your-face isolation which still dominates this place where England wanted to dump her convicts.

The Sydney Boys High History excursions to La Perouse have had their own tales to tell. There was the day when cyclonic weather caught the boys in the open. The rain was like sand paper on the face, and for the best part of an hour, ninety boys and

staff huddled in a bus shelter built for ten skinny people, but the sympathetic shopkeepers fired up their gas heaters and fed the boys until the buses came to take them back to school at 2.30pm. There was the mini-tornado which tore roofs off houses and ripped through the exact spot our ninety boys were waiting for the buses only thirty minutes after we left. Usually, however, the weather is friendly and the leisurely fun of the day is allowed to unfold: It is History as it should be experienced.

Tony Hannon, History Excursion coordinator

Year 9 Canberra Trip

This year, as part of the History faculty learning program, Year 9 embarked on a camp to Canberra in which we “roughed” it out for a night in order to see three major attractions in which we had come to explore and discover new things. The toughest part of the camp was getting up at 5.00am in the morning just so we could get to school at the deadline of 6.00am. Surprisingly, the 3-4 hour bus ride to Canberra wasn’t as bad as anticipated thanks to the company of friends and possibly (by which I mean definitely) the fact that we were allowed to stop at McDonalds along the way.

Once we arrived we were introduced to our cabins in which we would be staying. First we unpacked and then the fight over top bunk commenced. Once that was over we made a start on visiting the three attractions. The three places we visited were “The Australian War Memorial”, “The National Art Gallery” and “Old Parliament House”. The Australian War Memorial was the most interesting out of the three seeing as students got a close look at the equipment and weapons soldiers would have used in a war. Students could also participate in certain simulations which recreated different war scenarios. Visiting this place also served as a reminder to our students that we should be thankful to the people who defended this country.

The visit to the National Art Gallery of Australia was our final visit on day one. After the early morning start and the War Memorial my group were pretty exhausted. We did get the rare opportunity to observe fantastic paintings and sculptures made by Australia’s finest artists including the most expensive painting in Australia. We visited these two attractions in the one day after which we returned to our cabins. It was nice to finally get some rest after a long day. We had the whole afternoon free and could visit our friends and other cabins without restriction; people

were playing basketball and participating in other types of amusing activities including a water bomb fight. After we were told to return to our cabins people played on their laptops or Nintendos which they had brought with them. Rumour is that people stayed up until two in the morning to keep playing.

The last attraction on the list was Old Parliament House. Here we met with an organisation which helped support Aboriginal growth and reconciliation. We were given a demonstration of what aboriginal life was like before it was taken over by Britain. It was a bit of a surprise when we were told that we were being filmed by a TV crew which would later broadcast this throughout Germany. Two lucky people got an interview and then we proceeded to take a tour of Old Parliament House. Upon arrival we were given gloves so we wouldn’t damage any artefacts. When we were there the tour guides engaged us in a series of role plays to recreate what happened in parliament when Gough Whitlam was Prime Minister. When we were in the office of the Prime Minister it was amazing to think that some of Australia’s greatest leaders once stood in that place. The tour ended with us recreating the scene of “Gough Whitlam” and his supporters chanting for justice outside of Old Parliament.

After the tour had ended we went back to our cabins and packed away our things. We started the return journey home both sad that the trip hadn’t gone longer and pleased that the trip had been fun and an enjoyable experience.

Anantnath Thakur, Year 9

Elective History Report

This year’s elective history cohort has consistently shown themselves to be talented and able scholars throughout both semesters. With the assistance of the History Faculty, students have learned and demonstrated their knowledge in a wide variety of media including prezis, speeches, essays and group tasks. These learning processes allowed for interesting and varied lessons in which every student could participate and be engaged. Assessment tasks throughout the year reflected these processes and thus allowed the cohort to effectively engage with their knowledge and achieve high standards in their results.

The Year 10 Elective History course consists of three primary modules: History of Medicine, Nazi Party and Hitler, and History in Hollywood, covering a diverse

timeframe ranging from Ancient times to the present day. The study of each module led to improved insight into medical techniques, politics and motives of historical parties, and dramatic bias. New insight and analysis skills have been a particular benefit of following these courses.

Many thanks must go to the history staff for their dedication and insight, giving excellent feedback and helping each student achieve their full potential. Full credit must go to them for the success of our cohort this year. As many of the cohort will be continuing with History next year all of us wish to thank them profusely. I wish the cohort good luck in their studies next year.

Riley Irwin, Year 10

Modern History

The Year 11 Accelerated Modern History class consisted of a very talented, diligent and enthusiastic cohort. The accelerants tackled the difficult yet interesting HSC course very well, due to the tremendous help from our teacher, Ms Powell. During this year, we have definitely picked up many valuable skills that will prove vital in both school and future life. Through a wide variety of tasks including debates and discussions, media presentations, timed essay writing tasks and watching or reading university lectures, we have acquired a diverse range of skills. An important element of Modern History includes teaching different sub-sections of the syllabus dot-points to our fellow classmates through PowerPoint presentations. This served to be an efficient process as we didn't have the laborious task of reading a lot or taking notes of everything because it was shared equally amongst the class. Moreover, it also provided many benefits for us because teaching our fellow classmates proved to be the best method of learning. Modern History has certainly made us all diligent independent and group workers. The numerous lifelong skills which we have acquired will undoubtedly be put to good use in the future.

The course covers a wide time frame in the 20th century from the outbreak of WWI in 1914 to the Cold War era and all the way up till the end of the Vietnam War in 1975. The course has certainly increased our understanding of politics and key events in history. However, the most important skill which our whole class has successfully achieved is the ability to have a particular thesis (which differs between students) and to support our own thesis,

much like a debate. Since there is no right answer in Modern History, we have all been able to critically think and actually form various point of views on the different topics we learn. This is what made our time in accelerated Modern History such an interesting and enjoyable experience.

Safat Sufian, Year 11

Thomas Nguyen won the Year 8 Division of the National History Challenge. Congratulations to him. Here is his winning essay.

My essay depicts the failures of Nicholas the Second in leading his country out of revolution through being loyal to his citizens. I have stated that his involvement in the Russo-Japanese War and World War 1 were pivotal in the two revolutions in early 20th century Russia.

Explain Nicholas the Second's failure in addressing the problems of 20th century Russia

The domino of events from the beginning of the 20th century to the February Revolution of 1917 were caused by Nicholas the Second's failed autocracy in addressing the problems of Russia. The involvement in the Russo-Japanese War, the unpopularity of participating in World War 1, the ineffective reforms set out after the 1905 Revolution and the failure to modernize a socially, economically and politically backward country were all the causes of Nicholas the Second's abdication in 1917 which saw the 300 year Romanov dynasty crumble into the hands of the Bolsheviks.

Nicholas' involvement in the Russo-Japanese War created a huge setback on his popularity with the Russian public. During the boxer Rebellion, European forces (including Russia) were sent to help suppress the rebels of China. When the fighting finished, the Russians promised to withdraw their forces from Manchuria. However, Russia failed to do so wishing to keep Manchuria to expand their kingdom east. Nicholas the Second also wanted to continue the construction of the Trans-Siberian railway into Manchuria causing frustrations in Japan. The Trans-Siberian Railway was also one of the causes of Russia's eventual defeat by Japan. In 1904 Japan unexpectedly attacked Russia in Port Arthur, Russia's base (Vladivostok would have been the main option but since it wasn't operable during winter they had to use Port Arthur.)

The start of the war not only angered the Tsar but the citizens. The citizens saw the war as useless as

there was no need for Russia to have more land. They also found it embarrassing that they were losing to Japan (Russia being a military powerhouse at the time.) The food shortages were affecting not only the soldiers but the citizens due to the single rail on the Trans-Siberian Railway (meaning that food was arriving slowly.) These occurrences made Nicholas the Second's attempt at wining the Russo-Japanese War difficult and demonstrated his incompetency in leading a massive country. Leon Trotsky said that the Russo-Japanese war made tsarism "totter." Thus Nicholas decided to surrender to Japan. Anger through the involvement in the War caused a revolt within the country known as the Revolution of 1905.

Besides the involvement in the Russo-Japanese War, the Revolution of 1905 was to call for a change in the government and for a call for reforms from the autocratic Nicholas and to have basic rights. This is demonstrated in Priest Gapon's petition to Nicholas the Second stating that they wanted freedom of speech, general education by the state, equality etc. Workers striked and agriculture struggled as workers conditions deteriorated.

In response to the revolution, the reluctant tsar introduced the Duma, the October Manifesto and temporary censorship. The October manifesto did little to introduce basic rights and the Duma created disunity between the opposition parties however it allowed the Bolshevik Party to become more powerful. The minimal reforms set out by the government saved Nicholas from having to abdicate but did little in allowing the citizens to trust the dynasty.

The involvement in WW2 was the last straw for the Russian citizens. Russia's affiliation with Serbia (due to Russia's growing interest in eastern Europe) meant that when Austria-Hungary tried to invade Serbia after annexing Bosnia and Herzegovina in 1908, Nicholas the Second decided to embark on war against the Austria-Hungarians in 1914 shortly after the death of Archduke Franz Ferdinand (Austria's heir apparent) resulting in Germany declaring war against Russia.

The response to the declaration of war was positive and full of pride supporting the tsar's decision to enter the war. This decision was risky as Russia was severely outnumbered by the Germans in army numbers (4.2 million to 1.2 million) and Germany's superior navy size to Russia (181 to 166 ships.) In the midst of war Turkey joined the Central Powers

(which had Germany). This affected the trade route Russia utilized through Germany which made Russia incapable of providing sufficient ammunition for its army. The reduced amounts of ammunition due to the blocked trade route from Turkey was a contributing cause of the million deaths that Russia ended up having at the end of the war angering many Russia citizens which lead to the Revolution of 1917.

The lack of food within Russia due to the failure of the harvests sparked major concerns within the Russian public alongside the high inflation causing extra working hours. Harvests failed resulting in food shortages alongside the poor transformational systems in place (Trans-Siberian Railway). The shortage of food was also caused by the amount of peasants moving into the industrial environments. The working day for the industrial environment wasn't bright either. Workers faced insanitary conditions and overcrowded housing. Extended working hours from eleven hours a day and six days a week had created a steady increase in worker's strikes until 1917. Because the tsar failed to implement adequate reforms to prevent workers (who made up the country) from working long hours in hazardous and unsanitary conditions, the Revolution in 1917 was inevitable for the Russian workers who wanted better conditions.

The several events leading up to the Russian Revolution of 1917 (resulting in Nicholas' death after abdication) were triggers in allowing the Bolsheviks to take over in government. The implementation of reforms for areas of negligence such as basic working rights and adequate equipment to fight in war, were required for Nicholas to keep his citizens loyal. This proves that the autocracy of Nicholas the Second failed to address the growing problems of early 20th century Russia.

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Personal Development, Health and Physical Education

The PDHPE faculty puts a high priority on aerobic fitness as it is an important factor in relation to good health and improved sports performance. In 2012 the faculty continued to challenge students in Years 7–10 by setting personal goal times for the 1.6k run. An amazing 255 students achieved their goal time. Each student should be very proud of his achievement. Incorporating personal goals and personal bests in every part of their school life should be the aim of all our students. Congratulations to the goal achievers listed below as well as all the students who “had a go”. Good luck in 2013.

Year 7 (66 students)

Sadin Afsar, Faysal Ayub, Sanishka Balasooriya, Hugh Bartley, Bernard Chan, Jefferson Chan, Gavin Chung, Kevin Chung, Jason Feng, Terrence Feng, Connor Fisher, George Ge, Ben Graham, Ray Gu, Kevin Guo, Shadman Habib, Edgar He, Darren Huang, Marcus Ikeda, James Jiang, Da Hen Kwak, Anthony Lee, Harrison Li, Tony Li, Andrew Lin [R], Rex Lin, Chenhao Liu, Andy Lu, Jon Luo, Sabesh Muruganathan, Anh Nguyen, Christopher Nguyen, Dean Nguyen-Jariv, Sidney Pham, Rahul Prabhu, Nathan Quan, Dibyendu Roy, Brian Senthilrajan, Andrew Shek, James Snow, Jerry Sung, Wanyu Tang, Daniel Tian, John Tian, Jonathan Tran, Leighton Vuong, Charlie Weng, Corey Won, Lucas Wong, Barry Wu, Brian Wu, David Wu, Roger Wu, Eddy Xiong, Michael Yang, Zong Jie Ye, Roy Yi, Feng Jun Yio, Raiyan Yousef, Pai Yu, Wesley Yu, Ruilin Zhang, Jeffrey Zheng, Jonathan Zheng, Samuel Zheng, Alex Zhu

Year 8 (64 students)

Ethan Abergas, Manil Abeysekera Jaeco Agawin, Mohammad Taj Ali Khan, Stuart Benjamin, Desmond Cai, Anthony Chen, John Chen, Julian Chen, William Chen [F], Amit Deep, Richard Ding, Kevin Fan, Denny Fu, Jerry Gek, Dylan Goh, Jason Hong, Chen Yang Huang, Garry Huang, Harry Huang, Daniel Jiang, Masrur-ul Joarder, Pajman Johnstone, Preetham Kappadu, Aidin Karashan, Jacob Katafono, David Kim, Youki Kita-Leong, Max Li, Benny Liang, Remington Lim, James Lin, Will Lin, Johnson Lin, Andy Liu, Tim Luo, Victor Luo, Adam McCaffery, Karsten Michael, Shashank Nampalli, Thomas

Nimac, Alex Petrovic, Alec Pham, Nafis Rahman, Ryan Seong, Adam Shackel, Ellery Smith, Joseph Song, Justin Song, Henry Sun, Ryan Sun, Aaron Tse, Lee Yang, Tim Yao, Nelson Yin, Marvin Yu, Peter Yu, Gordon Yuan, Robert Yuan, Anthony Zhang, Tiger Zhang, Steven Zhao, Ervin Zhou, Andrew Zhu

Year 9 (81 students)

Daniel Ahn, Anthony Allingham, Vishnu Avudainayagam, David Bang, Shaleen Barawal, Wesly Beare, James Cai, Brian Chan, Terry Chang, William Chang, James Chee, William Chen, Hideyoshi Cheong, Jonathan Chew, Raycole Dai, Benjamin Dang, Kevin Dang, Nadir Haidar, George Han-McEvoy, Luke Hoad, Nguyen Hoang, Chris Huang, David Huang, Jason Huang, Ibrahim Hussaini, Anthony Huynh, Lachlan Huynh, Alex Jiang, Bennette Jiang, Sandaru Kamalasuriya, Yoshika Kulasinghe, Kevin Lau, Bryan Lee, Jing Li, Richard Li, James Lian, Kelvin Liang, Kevin Liang, Michael Libman, Jason Lim, Kelvin Lin, Victor Lin, Joseph Liu, Yisheng Liu, Andrew Lu, Gordon Lu, Tom Luo, Sama Malolo, Joshua Maloof, Brian Mo, Niyaz Mostafa, Sam Musgrove, Adilmorad Nadir, Andrew Nam, Ashray Narula, Matthew Ng, Timothy Tin Nguyen, Kevin Ni, Jun Park, Nicholas Phillis, Alex So, Neil Song, Anthony Taing, Darren Taing, Anthony Tan, Jackson Tan, James Tinker, Johnson Tran, Joshua Tran, Shayan Vatandoust, Daniel Wang, Alex Wong, Anthony Wu, Edward Wu, Jonathan Wu, Sunny Xu, Carl Yang, Jeremy Yang, Paul Yu, David Zhou, Ian Zhou

Year 10 (44 students)

Ned Anson, Rakulan Arulmurugan, Andrew Cao, Chris Chen, Steven Chung, Steve Comninos, Andrew Dao, Tom Du, William Du, Damian Duong, David Evans, Daniel Fang, Brendan Hancox, Jimmy Huang, Jack Hutchison, Anes Harahasana, Naga Koneru, Junjie Kuang, Eugene Lee, Lokgei Lee, Joshua Leo, Samuel Lin, Geoffrey Liu, Kenneth Liu, Allan Loi, Jeremy Ma, Sagar Nagaraj, Ethan Ou, Lokesh Sharma, Allan Shi, Perry Sim, Peter Stephens, Andrew Tayeh, Dan Tran, Peter Vuong, Chris Wang, Jens Waring, Bevan Xie, Harrison Xu, Jacky Yu, Michael Yu, Tae-Won Yu, Victor Zhang [M], Wei Li Zhuang

Sport



Representatives

Back Row: Y. Wu (Rifle Shooting GPS), P. Rynsaardt (Tennis GPS, CHS), A. Dosanjh (Volleyball CHS), W. Wu (Rifle Shooting GPS), I. Metcalf (Volleyball CHS, Athletics CHS).

Front Row: V. Ye (Cross Country CHS), A. Booth (Football GPS, Cross Country CHS), A. Punekar (Football GPS), O. Meroni (Football GPS), C. Chiam (Debating CHS), J. Chan (Rifle Shooting GPS), J. Edgton (Debating CHS).

Summer Sports Assembly – Basketball, Cricket, Waterpolo

Principal's Address

Special guest Jack Manning Bancroft, coaches, staff, GPS sports teams, parents and students – welcome to the 2011 October Summer Sports Assembly. This morning's first summer sports assembly is held annually to introduce and congratulate the teams who have GPS competition in term 4 – basketball, cricket and water polo.

The cricket program has been revitalised for the commencement of the 2011-2012 season. The GPS Heads agreed to a radical approach to cricket this season, mixing 20/20, one day and two-day games in an exciting new competition format. We believe it will give an opportunity for a variety of skills to be demonstrated by players and teams. The best and most versatile cricket team should win. The cricket nets have had a major refurbishment, with lights being added, ready for community hiring. I want to thank David Smith for his work this year as MIC cricket. He brought fresh ideas to the administration of the game. This season, Old Boys Hugo Richards and Siva Valliapan have taken on roles as Co-MICs. I am confident that they will be well supported and will get on top of the complex administration of the sport. I wish them well in their roles. We have gone for a Coaching Director model with Barry Davison taking a lead role in designing and implementing coaching programs and working with the coaches of all teams. Laurie Heil has taken on the second XI again. The preseason preparation this year included a Brisbane tour. The boys seem ready to play. Good luck to Jesse and his team.

Water Polo is maintaining a strong program this year. Rhiannon Davis has taken over from new mum, Taryn Evans and has some fresh ideas about accessing venues and increasing training opportunities. It is a great sport for GPS swimmers. We value our continuing relationship with Sydney University Sports and its expert coaches.

Our basketball program has evolved into one of the highest quality school programs that any schoolboy sportsman could wish for. The facilities are good, the coaches skilled and enthusiastic and the pool of players, talented. Success this year at GPS, CHS Knockout and All-Schools has imbued the team with great self-belief, discipline and cohesion. These qualities enable them to overcome opponents with more raw talent and greater size. Their term four

objectives are to start well in two tough away games at Scots and Newington and to win back-to-back Australian Schools tournaments in December. With three of the top ten school teams in the country playing in the GPS competition, there are tough challenges ahead. I want to acknowledge the dedication of Ben Hayman as Coaching Coordinator, MIC and first grade coach; Alex Hayman as Assistant first grade coach and Junior Development Coordinator; and the Basketball Committee. We welcome to High as second grade coach Reg Day. Good luck to Craig and his team in first grade and co-captains Nick and Shuming and second grade. I am confident that another successful season lies ahead.

Coaches and players are in a constant search for improved sports performance. One way to do this is to develop what is called 'sensory behavioural flexibility'. We all have ten senses – five external and five internal. Typically, external sights, sounds and feelings, get jumbled up with our internal dialogue of imagined sights, self-talk and feelings. The result is that the quality of our external sensory perception is compromised. However, good competitors find a way to cut out or control any interference which distorts sensory input. If you can "clean out your head" and remove internally generated interference and static, your coordination and sports performance will improve.

Neurologically, the brain does not distinguish between real and imagined experience. It cannot clearly assimilate internal and external sensory input simultaneously. Both are interpreted ambiguously. To perform well at sport you need to be 100% in external sensory awareness. Some sports have regular breaks in the action – such as cricket, tennis, water polo and basketball. In these moments between action, self-recriminations for bad shots, being hit for six or missing a basket, shot for goal, pass or rebound, or losing possession of the ball, may distract you with negative internal input. You blame yourself and lose confidence in your ability and even feel embarrassed in front of your team mates. That's when you need personal control of the mode of sensory awareness – you need a rehearsed physical trigger to refocus your mind on the game.

I urge boys in competitive situations to learn how to 'clear out their heads' to enhance subsequent personal and team performances. Congratulations to all boys selected in GPS competition teams. Good luck for the season.

Dr K Jaggar

Summer Sports Assembly – Tennis, Swimming, Sailing

Principal's Address

Good morning and welcome to our summer sports assembly. We are here today to recognise and pay tribute to our boys selected in GPS teams whose competition commences in term 1- namely Tennis, water polo, swimming and sailing. To our special guest, Liz Deep-Jones, MICs, coaches, parents and staff – thank you for your attendance.

Sailing is flourishing at Double Bay Sailing Club and has secured a long term arrangement with the club and will enjoy the enlarged and refurbished facilities by Term 4. Thank you to Carrie Waring for all her work in preparing yet another grant application, this time on behalf of the club. Thank you again to coach Adam South for his work in building up the program, particularly to a standard to be competitive in NSW Teams racing. Well done to Mr Moody for his season as a very 'hands on' MIC. Sachiyo James as Catering Coordinator, ably assisted by her team of parents and sailing boys as waiters, served up great suppers at the P & C 'Thank You Evening' last December and again this week at our 'Welcome Night' for new parents. Their efforts raise the funds that are keeping our fleet of boats and sails well maintained.

Thank you to Mr Loizou for his organisation and promotion of High swimming in 2011. I expect that everyone will support the school swimming carnival on Monday, whatever the weather. Let's hope Mr Loizou is back with us again soon. In the GPS competition, particularly in the junior division, participation is the key to success. We could use more juniors in our racing program to build on our great Third place in the 2011 season. I urge more boys to involve themselves in a well organised program.

Thank you to Ms Davis for taking over waterpolo as MIC and administering the changeover from Ms Evans seamlessly. This is a sport with a definite upside for competitors. We could expand our GPS involvement with more players.

Thank you to Mr Wright for taking over as Administrative MIC of tennis and taking care of Saturday morning arrangements. Mr David Deep, the new tennis professional for the Sydney High

courts, continues to build our tennis capacity as lead coach. He has recruited Catherine Barclay as Second Grade coach. The Tennis Committee has been active, organising a fundraiser and subsidising an impressive tennis camp in Melbourne, taking in daily visits to the Australian Open. High has the structure and programs now to really start to cement a place in the top half of the GPS competition.

Ron Barassi published a little illustrated book last year with the confident title of "Wisdom: Life lessons from an Australian legend". His signature is subscripted with the number 17410 and his lucky number and playing number, 31. As a player or coach Barassi participated in seventeen grand finals for ten wins. The book is a collection of aphorisms and quotes with accompanying commentary by Barassi. For example, he writes: "Success is best measured by how far you have come with the talents you have been given." He asserts that just as we admire people with disabilities to achieve beyond what we would rationally expect, so too should we be disappointed by those who have natural ability but fail to improve on what they could already do without really trying. You boys all know approximately how much natural talent you have for the performance of discrete skills or tasks. We also know when we fall short of doing justice to that talent. Ultimately, we let ourselves down when we have not given of our best. The message is to only take pride in any achievement which exceeded your own expectations based on your natural ability.

The application of his message to the High situation is clear. In GPS competition we frequently face the challenge of opponents with superior natural talents to ours, we need to rise to the occasion and give the contest everything we have. If we are defeated, so be it, but we will be able to gain satisfaction from knowing that we performed as well as we could have. If you can honestly say that about your individual performances each week, we can ask for nothing more from you.

I extend my congratulations to all boys who have been selected in GPS teams to represent their school. Strive for your best this season consistently

Dr K Jaggar

Adam Booth's 'Pierre de Coubertin Award' Academy Day & NSW State Presentation 2012 Experience

To be an Olympian or Paralympian is a remarkable, amazing experience and something that lasts a lifetime. But for most people, it cannot be a reality. Thus, when I was privileged to represent SBHS as the 2012 'Pierre de Coubertin Award' recipient, I humbly felt honoured. For one day I had the opportunity to experience the history of the modern Olympic Movement and hear first-hand stories from actual Olympians who had recently returned from London. My highlight of the day was being able to hold an Olympic Bronze medal, yet, the most important aspect was learning about how at the Olympics, athlete participation and acts of Fair Play and Sportsmanship carry far more significance in the long-term than individual winners of events. As Baron Pierre de Coubertin, founder of the modern Olympic Games, once stated: "The most important thing in the Olympic Games is not to win but to take part, just as the most important thing in life is not the triumph but the struggle."

On Monday 10 September 2012, I began my seven hour Olympic Academy experience at the Hockey Centre, Sydney Olympic Park. I was one of 100 like-minded, aspiring sports students anxiously awaiting what lay ahead. After the initial meet and greet, an Australian Olympic Committee representative opened with a presentation on the Olympic Movement and London 2012 Olympic Games summary. Areas explored were about: the modern Olympic Games origins, memorable personalities, logistics behind the Games, sports betting, athlete doping, athlete pressures, the importance of sponsors & the media and its future effects on the nature of the Games.

This was followed by London 2012 Olympians sharing their Olympic Journeys such as David Smith (Kayaking), Nina Curtis (Sailing), Kaarle McCulloch (Cycling) as well as Singapore 2010 Youth Olympians Luke Noblett (Hockey), Annalese Smith (Handball) and Claire Dennerley (Handball). I was particularly inspired by David Smith, who bounced back from a disappointing 2008 Beijing Olympic campaign to win Gold in London in the Men's K4 2000m. To see the joy on his face when describing his story and remembering my personal memory of the race on TV, I was moved by someone who had

made many sacrifices in his pursuit of excellence.

After a delectable lunch, held in the Hall of Champions, we separated into groups of ten students and undertook a group activity. We had to select from six distinct questions covering varied topics and make a five minute presentation on one question. My group chose the topic on the issue of athletes as role models in today's society, whether this is fair and the effects their behaviour has on the image of sport. We highlighted how athletes are essential in inspiring younger generations to participate in sport and how the increasing scrutiny and presence of the media in our social world is compounding the responsibilities and pressures athletes face.

The day concluded with students being officially presented with our Pierre de Coubertin Award and Badge at the NSW State Presentation, held in the Hall of Legends. Guest Speakers Olympian Jessica Fox, Silver Medallist in Canoe Slalom, London 2012 and Helen Brownlee OAM, AOC Executive Board Member, provided insightful words touching on their involvement in either sporting competition or tireless administration roles. For me, Fox was a true inspiration, completing her HSC last year where she topped NSW in PDHPE, came Second in French and is currently only 18!

I have already ticked off one of my lifetime goals by finding out what was on the back of an Olympic Medal and now my life is almost complete. When Mr Mulroney jokingly pointed out, "Well Adam, look at her [referring to Jessica Fox]. Seriously, what have you done?" it dawned on me that while I may not be an Olympian just yet, this experience has opened my eyes to what it would be like. Just being in the company of so many current sporting stars and future sporting talents was a rewarding experience I will cherish for the rest of my life. I would like to thank the AOC and SBHS for the opportunity, in particular Mr Mulroney for being my school representative guest, Mr Pavone and Mr Barris (Snr) for my nomination, Dr Jaggar and any other people who deserve thanks.

'Citius, Altius, Fortius' (Faster, Higher, Stronger) – The Olympic Motto.

Adam Booth, Year 12

Cricket



First Eleven

Back Row: S.Dias, L.Katupitiya, A.Ramesh, T.Connolly, O.Duffy, D.Smith, N.Anson, Mr S.Valliappan (MIC).
Front Row: A.Hughes, J.Chen, Mr T.Roslin (Coach), J.Moffatt (Captain), Dr K.A.Jaggar (Principal), A.Nayak, O.Meroni.

Cricket- Armidale Tour (Festival of Cricket)

High started the cricketing year by sending a mixed opens and age group team on a tour to Armidale in the summer holidays. After an eventful eight hour train ride we arrived to find a miserably wet Armidale. A quick check of the radar found us expecting virtually no cricket over the three days. The next morning High faced St Ignatius College unprepared. This became clear as St Ignatius reached 281/6 in their forty overs. In the tough, slippery conditions Tushaar Garg, Visakan Thayalan and Joshua Chen bowled exceptionally well attaining figures of 2/42 [6], 1/32 [8] and 1/36 [8] respectively. Facing a daunting 281 High opened the batting valiantly with Lalitha Katiputya scoring a quick 24 [26] and Josh Chen doing likewise with 24 [29]. A middle order collapse left High in serious trouble. Vishnu Avudainayagam and Aditya Koneru came to the rescue scoring well fought 22 [72] and 23* [42] respectively. That partnership saved High from embarrassment, ending with 135 of the forty overs, as not even Andrew Barry Dao's last ditch heaves could get High to the total. A spirited High looked forward to the next day's game against Canberra Grammar but rain prevented us from getting on the field. We discovered an indoor centre which was perfect to host the most important matches of the tour, the test cricket. The next few hours were spent in the most intense battles. Enthusiastic appeals (to say the least) were followed by controversial decisions one after another.

The next day a T20 game had been scheduled to compensate for the rain. As we warmed up after winning the toss and electing to bat we realised something was missing: Josh! So after awaking him from his midday slumber High went out to bat with intent. Lalitha Katiputya again excelled scoring 37 [45]. Jesse Copper then blasted 26 [24] invigorating the run rate. Visakan scored some telling lower order runs adding eleven off just seven balls. High reached a very respectable 8/108 off the twenty overs and we had a win in our sights. Brilliant bowling found Canberra reeling after losing a few top order wickets without having many runs on the board. Visakan and Josh bowled magnificently once again, getting figures of 3/26 [4] and 1/7 [4], well supported by Thilan with 1/12 [2]. In a nail biting finish Canberra needed twenty runs off four overs with only two wickets remaining, but by the last

over they needed two runs with one wicket remaining. Anup Kaluve bravely put his hand up to bowl as the leg spinner, but after fantastic death bowling from Canberra heaved a two over the infield to win them the game on the second last ball. Devastated but proud, we looked on at the intense celebrations that followed the tightest game we had ever played. It is clear from this tour just how much potential High cricket has.

Agnish Nayak

First XI Report 2011-12

2011-12 was a season in which opportunities were there for the taking. Despite losing our coach of the last four seasons, Mr Barry Davison and our single GPS and Five Highs win, we were a talented team. We started the season with confidence and keen to improve last season's results.

Our first game against Kings was disappointing. We felt we had the game won, with Anirudh bagging himself four wickets and Al chipping in with three invaluable wickets.

Round two against Shore was a similar story. After collapsing to 3-10, Owen and Jesse steadied the ship with a one hundred run partnership, with Owen scoring a brilliant seventy. Unfortunately, some "brain-snaps" in the innings and poor bowling led to our eventual defeat, with Shore eight down.

Riverview were the only team that truly "outplayed" the First XI this year. After a reasonable performance with the bat, posting two hundred and twenty thanks to a sublime forty nine by Oliver Meroni, Riverview were never really troubled, passing the total five down. Despite the first half of the year not being successful from a results perspective, the boys knew we had the talent and potential to win more games in the second half of the season.

As always, in the last week of the school, the First XI traveled to Perth for the annual Five Highs Cricket Carnival. The tour was relatively successful with a win against Brisbane State High and Owen Duffy being named in the Australian Five Highs Carnival Team and "Bowler of the Tournament". Jesse Moffat was also named in the Australian Five Highs Carnival Team and was the second leading run scorer of the Carnival.

Before the second half of the season was underway, we were introduced to our new coach, Tim Roslin, who really got the team off to a flying start with an



Second Eleven

Back Row: L.Katupitiya, S.Dhingra, A.Ansareen, D.Guptaa, T.Garg, J.Cooper.

Front Row: V.Avudainayagam, A.Kaluve, S.Sivayogarayan, Mr L.Heil (Coach), A.Koneru, T.Subasinghe, S.Thushyanthan.

emphatic win against Newington. Again Owen posted a magnificent seventy, Sudam Dias a magnificent fifty and Lahiru Katipitya posted a solid thirty opening the innings.

When the final wicket was taken, euphoria took over and the school song rung throughout the Fairland Pavilion as the boys celebrated a very well deserved win and a fitting farewell to the Year Twelve boys playing their last game at McKay.

The next week we suffered a painful loss against a surprisingly strong Grammar outfit. After having them struggling at nine-fifty, we took the foot off the pedal, allowing them to post a competitive one hundred and forty. The Grammar openers then ripped in and eventually rolled us for eighty eight. We then took to the field and had them in trouble at four-twelve. Rain then stopped play and the season abruptly ended.

Despite the disappointing end to the season we were competitive in every game we played and it is only a matter of time before the First XI start to register consistent results. Thank you to Hugo and Siva, who did a fantastic job as co-MICs, to the Cricket

Committee, to Mr Mulroney for being the interim coach during the first half of the year and of course a big thank you to Mr Tim Roslin for taking the Firsts for the second half of the year. I wish him and the future First XI's all the success in the years to come.

Jesse Moffatt

Third XI

The 2011/2012 season was a successful one for the Third XI cricket team which was composed of a mix of Year Eleven and Twelve students dedicated to training hard and playing the strenuous game of cricket passionately. Once again the team was led by the devoted and enthusiastic coach Andrew Fuller who gave up his Saturdays to coach and umpire games for the team. Without a doubt the greatest contribution from Mr Fuller came during Wednesday trainings, in which he always managed to somehow transform the usually boring fielding sessions into exhilarating competitions and games. This year the team developed a strong batting line-up featuring the likes of Khushaal Vyas, Visaken Thayalan and Anoj Joseph who all consistently



Third Eleven

Back Row: T.Joshi, A.Fu, K.Dhamoon, J.Norman, A.Joseph, M.Liu, K.Pham, S.Sufian.

Front Row: V.Bhakri, S.Nene, L.Katupitiya (Captain), Mr A.Fuller (Coach), C.Oei, S.Luong, K.Vyas.



Fourth Eleven

Back Row: X.Feng, K.Ying, T.Zhou, B.Mo, K.Giang.

Front Row: E.Ly, N.Lazarus, R.Le, M.Liang, J.Zhou, J.Hu, J.Yang.

contributed to solid team totals. The season started with a one wicket loss to Scots with only one over left in the game, a match put in our reach through an impressive innings from Safat Sufian, foreshadowing the competitive season to come. The third game of the season against Joeys in the longer format proved to our opposition how competitive we can be when partnerships are built – Khushaal, Lalitha and Anoj all combining to help reach a total of 143.

The bowling attack that the Third Grade side sported this year was a wicket taking one, with the contrasting of Michael Liu, who consistently kept good economy rates while taking a few wickets and Tushar Joshi, who was devastating when in form, notably his 6/49 of thirteen overs against Shore. Visaken Thayalan and Jay Norman added a fiery aspect to our attack giving the opposition batsmen something to fear with their pace and ability to bowl express short balls.

Visaken Thayalan received the Batting Award and Tushar Joshi the Bowling Award. Overall the season will be one to remember for the fun that coach Mr Fuller brought to the training and games, as well as the team work which was born from a competitive and carefree team atmosphere.

Lalitha Katupitiya

Fourth XI

The Fourth XI started another promising season in 2011. Despite the difficulty in reaching the venues, we had near perfect attendance at all our games. Reliability was the key to our playing style and whilst we experienced difficulty gaining enough momentum in our games, our batting and bowling averages were always consistent. It was with a sense of pride that we competed against other schools in the GPS competition.

The Fourth XI enjoyed the game itself, regardless of wins or losses. Our level of determination almost rivaled our opponent's ability. The team celebrated its moments of triumph, ranging from simple things like getting a wicket, to our very close matches.

Overall, it was a good experience for the team members, which enhanced our love for the game.

Mendel Liang

Fifth XI

Throughout the year, the members of the Fifth XI cricket team showed an enormous amount of potential and enthusiasm. Consistent work in the nets enabled us to identify our stronger bowlers and



Fifth Eleven

Back Row: J.Wang, J.Pham, R.Lin, J.Jian, J.Kim, N.Main, N.Pinidiya, V.Bhakri, R.Chen.

Front Row: D.Chan, S.Prusty, V.Ho, G.Samarasinghe (Captain), D.Liang, M.Paradezo, M.Lee.



Armidale Exchange Cricket

Back Row: A.Chen, T.Garg, J.Chen, V.Thayalan, A.Dao, L.Kataputiya, A.Koneru.

Front Row: R.Sura, T.Subasinghe, J.Cooper, S.Valliappan (Coach), A.Nayak (Captain), A.Kaluve, V.Avudainayagam.



16A Cricket

Back Row: A.Koneru, A.Dao, C.Mao, L.de Fonseka, A.Chen.

Front Row: Y.Wong, M.Yu, J.Zhang, P.Lam, J.Seroukas, S.Nagaraj, G.Farrugia.

batsmen. Jason Pham proved to be an explosive batsman at the top of the order while Nicky anchored the inning on more than one occasion. Marc was a valuable player whose presence elevated the spirits of the team at every moment. Ricky, Victor and Gamitha opened the bowling in turn and managed to have the opposition under pressure early on in every game. One of the season highlights was Vitthuran's blistering 65* against Shore at more than run a ball. Despite a number of close games we were finally able to produce a win against Kings. Having posted a moderate total of 96 runs off 20 overs thanks mainly to the opening batsmen James and Jacky for their 25 run partnership, High were in trouble when Kings were 5/80 during the tenth over of the game. But an amazing spell by Vitthuran and Vasu saw High clean up the last seven wickets for only thirteen runs. All in all, it was a thoroughly enjoyable season! Well done Fifth XI!

Gamitha Samarasinghe

16A

With four new players (since a few moved up into First and Second grade) and a new coach, the 16A's were looking for a fresh start to the season and were eager to play some cricket. Our new coach Hugo organised training early so that we could get back into form and throughout the season he worked with us both as a team and individually allowing us to all improve as cricketers. While we did not win any matches, this season was far from disappointing. There were periods in every game where we played great cricket, showing that we did have the potential and the skills to compete and win against the other GPS schools.

One of the best innings was in our last game against Sydney Grammar. We lost the toss and were sent onto the field. With consistent bowling from Chris and Aditya (who ended up with figures of 2/20 (9) and 2/26 (10) respectively) we were able to get a few early wickets and it was looking good. Sadly, we let this opportunity slip away and Grammar were able to build a partnership and score some runs. This changed when Lasith went back into the attack. He bowled exceptionally well and was able to deceive the batsman with his fast pace and swing. He ended up with excellent figures of 6/18 (11.4) where he only conceded two runs for his last five wickets. We bowled Grammar all out for 121, a total which we

could have reached had the next week not been cancelled because of the rain.

Other highlights of the season included George's 5/30 against Kings, Barry's 2/8 off six overs against Riverview, Philip and Sagar's eighty run partnership (where Sagar scored fifty three runs not out), and Allen and Jackson's partnership saving outright against Newington. Congratulations to John Seroukas who won the batting award with a total of eighty nine runs and Lasith de Fonseka who won the bowling award with eleven wickets at 16.9. Thanks to Hugo for coaching us this year. All in all it was a fun and enjoyable season and I wish everyone all the best for opens cricket next season.

Philip Lam

16B

Our team was spirited, cohesive and talented. The early matches in the season were about finding our true-selves and where we belong. Newington College was our first opponent and perhaps was one of the matches which woke us up a little. Being bowled out quickly was not what we had expected at first. Our reckless attitude to batting and lack of discipline to logic was evident, but our spirit to the game did not waver, and this was the foundation that carried us throughout the season.

Our next game against St Josephs and our highlight was the ability to field tirelessly on an unforgiving Moore Park West ground. We took lessons from both previous matches into our game against Kings. A total of ninety six runs were made but our abilities in the field were rushed and bowling was hurried and that allowed Kings overtake our score.

The next matches against Shore, Scots, Newington, Riverview and finally Grammar where some of the best matches this team have been through reaching commendable totals. Sai Vimalanathan has also been a pleasure to watch through the latter matches as he consistently got big totals with one half century reached against Grammar. Jackson Huang, Haotian Zhang, Sid Subramanian and Sunchit Sethi have bowled tirelessly and with heart throughout the season and were unforgiving to the enemy batsmen. Samuel Gallagher and Eric Yu have been improving tremendously and hope to see them back next season.

Howard Gu



16B Cricket

Back Row: H.Zhang, S.Vimalanathan, E.Yu, S.Sethi, D.Fong.

Front Row: L.Sharma, K.Chong, S.Baranwal, H.Gu (Captain), S.Gallagher, N.Selvakumar, A.Wong.



16C Cricket

Back Row: A.Cao, S.Baranwal, B.Chen.

Front Row: A.Hu, A.Lo, G.Qian, P.Stephens (Captain), K.Chong, R.Rawnak, J.Yu.



16s Barbarus Cup Cricket

Back Row: L.de Fonseka, A.Dao, N.Anson, T.Garg, A.Koneru.

Front Row: G.Farrugia, J.Cooper, J.Seroukas, I.Sharma, A.Chan, H.Gu, S.Nagaraj.



15A Cricket

Back Row: N.Bari, R.Sura, S.Arvind, R.Dai, J.Chew, K.Robinson.

Front Row: R.Saha, K.Ke, V.Murugananthan, M.Betbeder-Matibet (Captain), G.Shankar, T.Hossain, V.Avudainayagam.

15A

The 2011/12 cricket season got off to a flying start for the 15A's. Going into the friendly match against Newington, we were happy to recognise old friends and overjoyed to see some new additions to the team. The first game started out brilliantly with us bowling Newington out for fifty six due to a great bowling performance from Raunak Sura. We then went into bat and, with Raycole Dai hitting a smashing fifteen, we secured the game easily. Unfortunately, we then went through a bit of a dry streak, losing consecutively to Kings, Shore and Brisbane State High despite some star performances during these games. Gautham Shankar took 4/31 against Shore, Marc Betbeder-Matibet scored sixty runs over two innings against Shore and Varunan Muraganantham scored a brilliant forty two against Brisbane State High. Our next and, due to weather, last completed match was against Newington. We were pretty confident going into the game knowing that we had beaten them convincingly in the friendlies. Due to another incredible bowling performance from Gautham Shankar, we managed to bowl them out for an easily catchable target of eighty five. We went into bat feeling quietly confident and our opening partnership was a success. The performance which blew us all away was the first knock over fifty of the season by Sudarshan Arvind, achieving a massive total of seventy two. After getting all out for one hundred and sixty one, we sent Newington into bat again to see if we could snatch an outright win. With a great bowling effort all round, we managed to get them seven down before time stopped us from playing. Overall, the season was a great success, snatching our first GPS win since we've been together as a team and seeing some real improvement in all fields of the game. I hope to see everyone in the team achieving their cricketing goals especially those trying out for the Second XI squad next year.

Marc Betbeder-Matibet

15C

The 15C's enjoyed a great season this year and welcomed eight new members: Lachlan Huynh, Alexander Hossain, Rolland Lin, Jun Park, Peter Ryan, James Xu, Anantnath Thakur and William Chow and two former players: Hardy Huang and Thomas Nassif to the team. With a squad of twenty two players, the 15C's always had plenty of competition during

selection for matches. Although the 15C's did not win a match this season, every player gave their best which resulted in some great performances.

The season started with poor performances with everyone rusty from the winter season. However, as the team played more matches and had more training sessions, the performances improved. Notable performances include a fifty from Thomas Nassif in his first game as opener, the consistent leg spin bowling of Anthony Taing, athletic catches by Yilun Zhou and strong tail end batting from Mike Liu. New opening partnerships were also found after the departure of Jimmy Zhou for the 15B's in the form of Thomas Nassif and Dominic He and later, Thomas Nassif with Renjith Joseph.

When the season resumed after the summer holidays, 15C's found new talents in some of the reserve players. Peter Ryan formed one of the best outfield combinations with Kazuo Nakamura combining his accurate throws with Kazuo's speed. Jun Park proved to be a talented pace bowler, Rolland Lin a natural batsman and James Xu an expert slip fielder. Consistent batting from Renjith Joseph, Ashray Narula and Alex Wong supporting the explosive Thomas Nassif ensured High was competitive in every match throughout the season. Thanks must be given to our coach Hugh for his expertise and the parents for their support during Saturday matches.

Alex Wong

14A

The 14A's had a solid season with some good performances despite not winning a game. We were all a bit rusty, unfamiliar with each other's style of play and had to work out batting and bowling orders. Everyone put in a huge effort and had at least one extremely good performance that they could be proud of. At the start of the year, we were more of a bowling team. When we were at our best, taking a lot more wickets in the first half of the season, we bowled out Newington and St Ignatius. However, in the second half of the season our batting improved massively, mainly thanks to the hard work and determination we put into our training. Twice in a row, we scored over 180 runs in our 50-over games- even declaring once. Overall, the boys performed extremely well and with more training and hard work we can only get better.

Eli Hall



15B Cricket

Back Row: S.Baranwal, T.George, J.Zhou, A.Allingham, S.Arudselvan.

Front Row: J.Lim, Y.Kulasinghe, J.Lin, A.Huynh (Captain), B.Lee, A.Khondaker, J.Tran.



15C Cricket

Back Row: K.Nakamura, P.Ryan, A.Thakur.

Second Row: J.Xu, H.Huang, Y.Zhou, I.Zhou, M.Liu, J.Park, S.Pulapaka, A.Narula.

Front Row: L.Huynh, D.He, W.Chow, A.Wong, T.Nassif, R.Joseph, A.Hossain.



15 Years Brisbane Exchange Cricket

Back Row: K.Robinson, S.Arvind, R.Dai, J.Chew, R.Sura, R.Saha.

Front Row: T.Hossain, N.Bari, V.Muragananthan, M.Betbeder-Matibet (Captain), K.Ke, G.Shankar, V.Avudainayagam.



14A Cricket

Back Row: F.Morshedi, T.Nimac, J.Pope, S.Nampalli, M.Abeysekera, L.Jepson.

Front Row: K.Subbanna, R.Hossain, M.Koslowski, S.Valliapan (Coach), E.Hall (Captain), H.Puvanenthiran, P.Yu.



14B Cricket

Back Row: D.Fu, H.Ou, K.Agrawal, S.Shringapure, S.Saini.

Front Row: A.Mao, A.Paraparan, A.Deep, F.Alam (Captain), I.Mohamed, T.Ali Kahn, A.Wu.

14B

Our season was never bad. Just too many losses. Even embarrassing losses. Nevertheless, the enthusiasm of the team proved to overcome the sporting hardships we faced. Although we were victorious in our first match, the rest of the season was quite dry. Nafis Rahman, Kabir Agrawal and I topped the total runs in the 14B's, scoring around 110 runs. The squad approached some victories and at the last minute gave it away. In addition, Iggies bowled us out for seventeen runs. We vowed to try until we won again. Even though this dream did not come true, we are proud of our performance and wish to do our skill in cricket justice by getting more victories in the future. Congratulations to our three award winners, Kabir Agrawal, Hayden Ou and Amit Deep Singh. Further congratulations go to Saransh Saini, Fayed Morshedi and Hayden Ou for placing themselves on the Honour Board with such excellent bowling figures. Overall, the team played excellently and I am sure that our coach Ryan felt this way!

Faiyazbin Alam

14C

The season of 2011/12 was a wild ride for the 14C's, with ups, downs and everything in between. Our season only had one win, but we learned from the

experience of playing the other GPS teams and from the efforts of the coaches at Thursday training. From the start, our team was disorganized due to the lack of a permanent coach, something that we needed for our team to grow and learn. Fortunately, in the games, we were provided with several different coaches, and for training, Ryan, the 14B's coach helped us. Once we knew some of the coaches that were helping us, we started to actually listen to their words and we improved. For many of this team, our first win was against Kings, at the start of the season. It was the strangest win anyone that was watching the game had seen.

Sydney Boys were all out for thirty six, our batting terrible due to the extreme heat and the bowling efforts of the Kings team. We heard that one of their bowlers had gotten figures of 6/0 off us. We were tired, stressed and had no belief that we would win this match. However, after the break between the innings, we were refreshed and walked out onto the field, ready to defend our measly score for as long as possible. Our bowling opened with Brendan Nguyen and Lachlan Hyunh, both knowing what they needed to do in order for us to salvage anything from this match. A few quick wickets at the start of the match raised our hopes of winning this match, and good fielding held back the tide of runs that were sure to come. We broke up any partnership that Kings



14C Cricket

Back Row: B.Nguyen, M.Joarder, H.Sun, T.Li. **Front Row:** A.Nguyen, H.Ma, A.Mao, Y.Han, V.Hua.



14 Years Brisbane Exchange Cricket

Back Row: L.Jepson, S.Nampalli, J.Pope, T.Nimac, M.Abeysekera.

Front Row: H.Puvanenthiran, M.Koslowski, K.Subbanna, S.Villiappan (Coach), E.Hall (Captain), R.Hossain, P.Yu.



13A Cricket

Back Row: L.Saunders, F.Ayoub, C.Zhong, S.Afsar, S.Nguyen, E.Zhou, Mr D.Smith (Coach).

Front Row: R.Prabhu, Y.Haque, S.Murugananthan (Captain), S.Pharm, A.Razmi.

needed to cement the win, and suddenly, we realized that we were in an advantageous position. Kings were 9/28, and we knew that we could actually pull through and win this match. I swapped the wicket keeping with Brendan Nguyen, and started to bowl. My first ball sealed the victory. The Kings batsman tried to cut the bowl through the offside, but his aim was just a fraction off and the ball deflected off the bat into the stumps. We all shouted in victory as the umpire raised his index finger. The Kings had been dismissed for twenty-eight. We had defended that tiny score of thirty-six!

Highlights were few after this display of amazing luck. The rest of the season was spent learning from our crucial mistakes and training in the SCG and school nets. This season had revealed great potential in many of the players.

Alex Mao

13A

The 13A cricket team has played magnificently over the past season. Our team only played three matches due to the harsh weather and we have put

a hundred per cent into each of those games. In all games the boys were very enthusiastic and punctual. The team has enjoyed every match they have played and we are hoping to do well in term four if the weather permits. Thank you to the parents for their support scoring, umpiring and encouraging us. It all comes down to the boys to demonstrate great High spirit throughout the term. A special thanks to our coach, Mr Smith for helping us and never giving up on us.

Sabesh Murugananthan

13B

Our first match was filled with excitement as all of us were pumped to play our first match for Sydney High against Newington College. The toss was lost and Newington elected to bat. Their opening batsman did well until a brilliant piece of bowling by Adam found the top edge of the Newington opener to land safely into the gloves of Marcus. Their second and third batsman put on a partnership enough to frustrate the bowling attack. The pair played beautifully to the line of the ball but that was



13B Cricket

Back Row: S.Senthilrajan, H.Soni, R.Lin, B.Graham.

Front Row: A.Mathew, R.Yousuf, M.Ikeda, A.He (Captain), I.Shen, H.Mulla, A.He.



13C Cricket

Back Row: R.Zhu, R.Truong, N.Liang.

Second Row: B.Chen, J.Feng, K.Lee, W.Yu, R.Wu, A.Zeng, M.Yuan.

Front Row: D.Fu, V.Lam, J.Zhou, A.Wong (Captain), E.Xiong, K.Xuan, N.Wong.

until the other opener had scooped it up for a brilliant catch to Raiyan. Runs were scored at approximately four runs an over now. Missed run-outs were getting frequent until Ben had bowled the crafty left-handed batsman. A mistake from the two batsmen resulted in a run-out from Ben again. Not long after, pouring rain put an end to our first match.

Our second match against St. Ignatius College saw us down in players. We lost the toss and St. Ignatius elected to bat first on a very green pitch that offered a bit for both teams. We began the match two players short. The opening bowling partnership of Hamzah and Rex was absolutely smashed. There were wides, no balls and the Ignatius batsmen took control of the match early on. When Lane and Marcus arrived our first wicket finally came. A good accurate throw from Raiyan, well backed up by Adam, sent the Ignatius opener walking. The next wicket came not long after from a catch off Adam's bowling. The rest of the innings was well played as Ignatius finished 8/234, High managed to stay in for the first three overs. A thick edge flew over all three slips.

What we thought was our third last match against Sydney Grammar turned out to be the last of the season. We won the toss and elected to bat first on a beautiful wicket. The opening partnership of Adam and Hamzah turned out to be successful. The pair attacked the bad balls and defended the good

ones as they took the total to twenty two. Most of our batsmen got runs including Marcus, Lane, Anthony, Harin, Adam, Hamzah and Sandeep as we finished at all out for 48. Despite our efforts Grammar had chased down the total in just four overs.

Adam He

13C

At the beginning of the summer season the 13C team was inexperienced at the game of cricket. At the end, after rigorous periods of training, everybody knew how to bat, bowl and field. Unfortunately the bad weather meant the 13C's only got to play three matches in the whole season, with our best match being our third and final match against Sydney Grammar.

Our third match against Sydney Grammar was at Rushcutters Bay and was our first time away from the home ground at McKay in Centennial Park. We won the toss and selected to bowl first. With a slight wind blowing in from the sea and with the sun shining bright, Richard Truong started off with the bowling. Richard Troung, Nicholas Liang, Wesley Yu and Kenfond Yuan each took a wicket. We achieved a healthy number of runs due to the extremely good effort from all the team.

Arthur Wong



Mandalong in September

Basketball



First Grade Basketball

Back Row: D.Xue, J.Lin, C.Chiam (Statisticians), A.Cha, N.Costa (Game Recorders).

Second Row: Mr. A.Hayman (Assistant Coach), S.Renzenbrink, J.Garay, G.Gerlach, D.Jones, C.Jurlina, B.McGlenshy, Mr.B.Gordon (Manager).

Front Row: M.Flynn, N.McDonald, Dr.K.A.Jaggat (Principal), C.Moller (Captain), Mr.B.Hayman (Head Coach), E.Kelly, L.Perris.

First Grade

The 2011-2012 basketball season was extremely successful as the team was able to build on the momentum of previous years. The First Grade squad, together for four years, was looking to continue their incredible success rate. Our season began with a nail biting narrow double-time loss to Scots College in round one of the official GPS competition. The team was devastated at this opening loss, but thanks to our resilience, dedication and passion and the coaching support of the Hayman brothers High was able to fight back and convincingly win their next six games, including a gutsy win over the highly fancied Newington outfit before we were to face Scots again. Only one week out from the National Championships, this would prove to be a key game in deciding the GPS championship this year. With Scots undefeated at this point, it was shaping up to be the game of the season. It didn't disappoint, with a tight encounter with numerous lead changes all game. Fortunately we won the game by five points after a great team effort. The win took us level at the top of the table leading us to the Christmas break at six wins and one loss.

From here the team headed to Bendigo to defend the National Championship which the school won for the first time in 2010. Having won from the wildcard spot last year and being unknown underdogs this year would be twice as hard having the number one seed. After cruising through the round games including a victory over the Chinese national team we would come up against the Victorian school of Box Hill Secondary College in the semi-final. Boasting several elite players who have represented Australia, this would prove to be our biggest test. Similar to the Scots College game in the GPS, it was a very physical and tightly contested game. The lead swung back and forth early on before High cemented a ten point lead it would never release. High dominated China in the finals opening up a gap of over forty points at one stage during the game. We ran out eventual winners by over thirty points. Only a handful of schools have ever won back to back titles and no team has won three in a row, a feat that High may achieve this year.

After a solid week long training camp that the Firsts, Seconds and U/15's attended during the summer holidays, we entered the prestigious Rashke cup, a trophy we have held for the past two years. Again

relatively unchallenged we cruised through the opening games to come up against The Scots College. In what would be our final meeting this season the game was close throughout the first half before our superior fitness base came to the fore. After a full day of competition we pulled away to an easy victory to retain the cup for a third time before turning our attention back onto the GPS Premiership.

Still sitting equal top with six wins and one loss, we would not play the Scots College again this year. We would still face Newington, Shore and St Josephs who were all potential threats. Coming up against Newington on our home court, we would use our recent successes as momentum to continue our good form. In what turned out to be the game of the year for us, we found ourselves down one with less than a minute to go. With exceptional courage and resilience we pulled through in regular time to win by three in an outstanding performance. In our last game of the season we would come up against St Josephs in what would be a physical game at Joeys. This was one of our best team performances and we won comfortably. So neither side managed to drop a game in the second half of the season resulting in a tie for the GPS premiership in 2011-2012. The win/loss record of 13-1 is the best in the school's history after managing to win the Premiership last year with only twelve wins and two losses. Overall it was another great year of High basketball arguably the best in school history.

As a result of the team's success four members were selected to represent the combined GPS teams against the CAS and ISA. Daniel Jones, Christian Jurlina and Craig Moller were selected in the firsts with Blake McGlenchy being selected in the seconds. Both combined teams were undefeated in the two game series.

Season Results:

- Second straight GPS Premiership (13-1)
- Second straight National Championship (7-0)
- Second straight CHS Championship (Undefeated)
- Champion school of NSW
- Third straight Rashke Cup (undefeated)
- U/15 CHS Champions
- Four members selected into all GPS First and Second grade sides

Craig Moller

Basketball



Second Grade Basketball

Back Row: M.Chang, K.Kuang, J.Hutchinson, J.Clements-Lendrum, J.Baraceros.

Front Row: T.Li, M.Ekengard, Mr R.Day (Coach), N.Sutton (Captain), Mr G.Krastev (Coach), A.Thom, B.Angell.



Third Grade Basketball

Back Row: O.Kirk, M.Stojanovik, C.Stack, N.Autar.

Front Row: M.Chao, S.Wang, J.Zhao, R.Ko, J.Lam.

Second Grade

The 2012 Second Grade basketball season looked promising right from the beginning, with two very experienced coaches and a team of young talented and athletic players willing to learn. Linger injuries kept us constantly short-handed but our combined integrity made every game a dogfight. For an inexperienced team of only fourteen and fifteen year olds the long season was testing both physically and mentally. Each member of the team had unique characteristics on and off the court that combined to give us an enjoyable season on all fronts and placed us sixth on the GPS second grade table.

Braden Angell has exceptional determination and commitment. He was the first to all trainings and was constantly seen in the gym perfecting his already outstanding jump shot and smooth handles. Braden's vibrant personality helped to pick the team up when their heads were down, he's a great teammate and should be congratulated on a remarkable season.

Michael Chang has the strength and defensive power of Bill Russell. His willingness to learn has helped him finally defeat his mortal enemy, the rim. Even when having his best games he was looking for ways to help the team to improve and strive to be their best.

Marcus Eckengard is an athletic powerhouse on the court with outstanding hustle and is always coming up with the big plays when needed.

Kenny Kuang has true grit, his endless hustle and intensity on the court makes him a force to be reckoned with. Kenny fought ankle injuries all season. All-round athleticism and coordination make him a force on the court.

James Baraceros has amazing athleticism and knowledge of the game. Joining the team halfway through the season is tough but James proved his worth quickly with a record-setting seventeen steals in his Sydney High debut. Knee trouble tried to slow him down but his determination and understanding for the game has helped push through the pain to be a crucial part of our second grade side.

Jack Hutchison has improved out of sight this year and he has earned the most improved award. Jack's offensive game is outstanding and his ability to get good shots off over taller defenders is second to none. His rising presence on defence has made him a formidable shot-blocker.

Tony Li is an outstanding offensive player, his ability

to create shots out of nothing was key to pull us out when the offense would stop flowing. Kenny and Tony truly understand how to play with each other, and on a newly formed team their telepathic connection gave us scoring options and some highlight reel plays.

Jonathan Clements-Lendrum is an outstanding athlete and an extremely hard worker, coming in to the team as an unpolished athlete he has changed his game and become the scorer we all knew he could be.

Aidan Thom is possibly the best defensive player in the entire Second Grade competition. His intensity and quick feet allow him to stop the best players in the league with ease. When Aidan was called up to First Grade we sorely missed our defensive stopper but his return gave us the strength to beat a talented Newington team in the rematch of our dramatic double-overtime game earlier that season.

Nathan Sutton's role on the team changed dramatically throughout the season and so did his game. As the youngest player in the competition he started the year as a low-scoring passer. Toughening physically and mentally, he became a scorer and was named this year's MVP.

Lots of thanks to George and Reg for their dedication and help this year we all greatly appreciate it. We have all learnt heaps and have improved out of sight as we move into our long offseason.

Nathan Sutton

Fourth Grade

The Fourth Grade basketball team enjoyed a very successful season this year. The team ended with a 12-2 record under coach Johnny Warton. Throughout the season the team ran a fast paced offense led by scoring leaders Tim Chin and Lucas Fang both from under the rim and with a strong mid-range game. Defensively, the team played a zone defence, with Tony Hang, Kenneth Ho and Max Song dominating the floor. The team was very athletic and thanks to high-jump specialists Harry Heo and Ivor Metcalf, were able to dominate the boards. The ball was handled by point guards Nick, Louis and Jim, who created many offensive opportunities, and also forced a lot of turnovers on the defensive side. The strong all-round game was demonstrated in the overtime thriller against the Kings School where the team allowed no points in overtime and came up with the decisive win. Overall

Basketball



Fourth Grade Basketball

Back Row: L.Fang, I.Metcalf, K.Ho, M.Song, T.Chin.

Front Row: J.Koukouras, H.Heo, T.Hong (Captain), N.Ooi, L.Jones.



Fifth Grade Basketball

Back Row: W.Koslowski, J.Pillandi, M.Lam, G.Lee, K.Chen.

Front Row: B.Leung, T.Chung, D.Duong, T.Pham, H.Lam.



Sixth Grade Basketball

Back Row: A.Ng, F.Li, J.Gao, W.Choi, L.Zhang.

Front Row: W.Cen, M.Zhu, D.Wang, A.Chan, V.Chen.

the Fourth Grade team played very well throughout the season and hopefully their success can carry on to future seasons.

Tony Hang

Fifth Grade

2011-2012 kicked off with a rather slow start for Fifth Grade as a new team which had not played together before was formed. We won almost all our games. When we won our games, we won big. Some games we doubled their score 31-15 against Ignatius in 2011, and 41-22 against Kings, but the biggest win was predictably against Joeys, a big top score of 18 points by Jaan Pallandi. Jaan dominated in offense and defence, and along with other team players scoring double digits, we beat Joeys 52-12.

Jaan top scored in nearly every game of the season, his best being twenty-two points in an intense 36-29 win against Newington. Our team had a variety of players excelling in their own skills. Wilber Koslowski was the fittest in the team, his constant stamina vital to our offense and defence, and his sharpshooting skill in training shone through in games. Dennis

James Duong bulldozed his opponents in 2011, and turned into Harry Potter in 2012, casting spells and performing miracles. Jaan, a scoring machine, elbowed his way through teammates and opposition for the easy two, and if by some magical event he missed, he'd rebound and humiliate the defence again. Hayden Lam had his own thing when it came to scoring a layup on a taller player. Gordon Lee jumped over opposition in offense and made sure no one got into his house on defence. Michael Lam dominated the post, receiving fouls on the two points and missing the free throw. Brian Leung was a late addition to the team, but proved to be effective in bringing the ball up and creating great opportunities for the bigger men on the team. Terence Pham played the best under pressure, scoring long range jump shots to even up scores. Timothy Chung continued to improve during the season, scoring later on in 2012. Howjer Gu always managed to pull off layups with the defence trying to tackle him instead of defending him away.

All players in the team deserve acknowledgement for their hard work all season, and we thank Coach Hughoce for a very enjoyable season. MIP was



Seventh Grade Basketball

Back Row: I.Huang, J.Cao, L.Zhu, A.Xu, W.Ma.

Front Row: J.Lee, W.Cen, A.We, W.Choi, K.Huang, M.Lam, J.Ma.

awarded to Wilber Koslowski, and MVP was awarded to Jaan Pallandi

Dennis James Duong

Sixth Grade

The Sixth Grade began the season in excellent form and was undefeated for the first half of the season. The impenetrable defence of our centre and the speed of our guards led to numerous fast breaks, allowing the team to win most games with ease.

Despite the skill of the team and the great coaching of Mr Baldock, we were unable to continue our winning streak with the loss of excellent players to injury and to other teams. Sixth Grade began the second half of the season with a disappointing loss which continued. With great effort we were able to win our last two games to end the season on a positive note.

David Wang

Seventh Grade

It was a great start to the 2011-12 season for the Seventh Grade. We triumphed in multiple games against difficult opponents, while just falling short in others. We were a late blooming team playing poorly in the first half of term four before turning things around. The games after the summer

holidays were not as successful having grown lazy after the long summer holidays filled with rain. We lost multiple games against opponents we had once bested. Many games were lost by large margins. However, with the help of both William Cen and William Choi, the team rallied to end the season redeeming ourselves, dominating opponents with newfound confidence.

The team itself had a large rotation, containing thirteen players. This made every training session a gruelling challenge to be selected to play. Our star player, James Cao, was someone we could consistently count on. He would do everything on and off the court. At training, he would be the first one in and the last to leave. He would arrive earliest to every single game and even helped with the scoring bench. His ability to bring up the ball, post up and shoot the baseline jumpers helped greatly. Our hardest worker would be William Choi, who would consistently sweat it out on the court.

Big thanks to Mr Baldock who had to coach three teams simultaneously. At times when he was too busy to coach us, both Williams helped greatly in keeping the team together. Thank you all for the great season and I hope to be able to play with you again in the future.

Maurice Lam

Eighth Grade

High's Eighth Grade Basketball had another successful season, emerging undefeated in the 2011-12 season. Throughout the season, the boys continually worked together to assert their dominance in the competition. The Centres, consisting of Baxter and myself, used their height effectively, getting almost all the rebounds on offer. Our Forwards: Jun, Carl, Ming and William Ho played pivotal roles in defence and offence supporting the Guards. Our Guards: Krishna, Minwoo, Will Yuan, Ben and Oscar were the back bone to our team, using their skills to mind boggle the opposition and rush past them. The highlight of our season was definitely the first Grammar game. Grammar came out firing, taking a 22-12 lead at half time. After stern words from the coach, High showed what they were made of, winning 46 - 28.

A big thankyou to Mr Baldock for coaching us and helping us develop as good players.

Rohan Mahajan

16A

The 2011-12 summer sports season was very successful for the 16A's basketball team. From the previous season, the team had lost a number of their starters to the Firsts and Seconds. Despite the setback the team consistently performed strongly under the expertise and guidance of coach, Troy van Spange. The chemistry within the team continually progressed with each weekly game. The 16A's finished the season with an outstanding eight wins out of fourteen matches with the team improving their play tremendously throughout the season.

The peak of the 2011-12 season was in an intense and suspenseful clash with Newington College. Prior to the game, the Sixteen As had been on a roll with several wins against Scots College, Sydney Grammar School and St Joseph's College. The 16A's started out poorly against their opposition, falling down to a ten point deficit by half time. The second half of the game painted a whole new chapter in the match progression with the High side storming back led by Sida Wang, Anthony Chen and Charlie Shi. The game was sent into overtime after clutch plays from Anthony and Charlie in the final seconds of regulation. From that point onwards the team never looked back with a final score of 36-32.

The 16A's success can be attributed to the strong

play from Byron's amazing overall play, Stefan and Sida's game changing rebounding abilities, Charlie's passing skills, Josh and Eugene's alien athletic ability, Chen's clutch rating, Wenbo's lack of jumping ability, Glanden's energy and Kevin's tough defense. The Most Valuable Player was awarded to Byron Chen and the team's most improved player was Sida Wang.

The 16A's were rewarded for their fantastic play with a remarkable and unforgettable season under the leadership and enthusiasm of Troy. The team would like to thank the parents for their support and Mr Dowdell for his dedication to the High basketball program by scoring all the 16s games.

Charlie Shi

16B

The first half of the season for the 16 B's was pretty decent only losing three of our games. With a new dependable and dedicated coach, Troy Van Spanje, players racking up from the Cs and Ds and players dropping down to the lower teams, this season turned out to be pretty hectic but lots of fun. There was not much teamwork in the first half of the season as the majority of our players did not know each other well and we struggled a lot as there were injuries during games. However, into the next season we smashed the other teams with our new plays from Troy and improvement in our team. We only lost one game overall which was pretty impressive.

Daniel Zhang displayed his skills out on the court with remarkable defence and speed down the court. John Kwon was the wild player in our team also with strong defence and random three pointers which made its way to the basket! Derek Sun was the tall player in our team, setting screens, posting up and grabbing the rebounds. Abdul Ali was a dependable player in our team with his posting skills, his rebounding skills and his defence. Leon Chen would get the ball down the court and had some good shots under pressure. Jeffrey Zhou was a big player in our team, with his speed and agility in the air grabbing intercepts. Michael Hamilton was the one who kept up the pressure forcing opponents to make bad passes or stole the ball for the fast break. Azam Malik was the newcomer in our team, a very crucial player, who specialised in three point shooting. He would drop a three every single time he was open for a shot. Nathan Wang Ly was the one to count on to make good passes and a pretty good



16A Basketball

Back Row: W.Gong, S.Wang, S.Bell, K.Lu, G.Zheng.

Front Row: J.Leo, A.Chen, C.Shi (Captain), E.Lee, A.He.



16B Basketball

Back Row: J.Zhao, A.Ali, D.Sun, M.Hamilton, D.Zhang.

Front Row: N.Wang-Ly, A.Malik, B.Truong (Captain), J.Kwon, L.Chen.

shot inside and outside the three point line. Brian Truong was the point guard with deadly crossovers and had good shots. He would drive in through the opposition's zone defence and force a foul.

Our team would like to thank Andrew James for his knowledge in basketball and helping us out when times looked bleak on the court. Our most improved player was Derek Sun who improved in his zero out of eight free throws to dropping one in. Our most valuable player was Brian Truong who captained his team when they were confused and was the main scorer in most of the games.

Brian Truong

16C

From beginning to end the 16C season was awesome. We were a formidable team with a stream of victories. It was in the many close games, where players strived to realise their potential that led to our perfect season. Everyone did their best and put in a great amount of effort.

Our most valuable players were Pinyan Gao who was the backbone of our team and led in points each game and Alex Kuang who controlled the flow of the team. Each player had their own great traits which contributed to our success, such as: Lokgei Lee who achieved many steals and a flawless movement of his jab step; Shawn Norohna who produced a game winner during our last game against Kings; Jet Lee, who's name and athleticism stand for itself; Nathan Kong and Weber Liu, the unstoppable forces; Chris Yu and Sam Pham, with great ball skills and myself who produced a three pointer each game. Each player should be very proud of themselves, as together we produced a fantastic season.

Wei Li Zhuang

16D

Sydney High's 16D basketball team played with great determination and focus. The team worked hard all season and received excellent results, only losing to one team, Newington College. The team played with great skill and determination. Individually each player had something to bring to the team whether it was speed, skill or strength and we managed to play well together. There was excellent teamwork between players and all members were good sportsmen. Overall Sydney High's 16D's basketball team represented High in a

positive light, finishing the season with a positive attitude.

Andrew Tayeh

16E

The 16E basketball team of 2012 had an incredible season. The season was enjoyable and with our combined teamwork and skilled players we reaped rewards by the end of the season. With the advice and training from our coach Steve, we performed spectacularly with an undefeated streak this season. Due to our reputation as undefeated, we were motivated to uphold the expectations in the future matches. We had a few very close calls but we pulled through in the end.

There were spectacular performances in team with our point guard Ricky Chin supporting the team by ankle breaking the opponents with his swift crossovers and drives and Peter Vuong, our star defender, performing insane blocks, preventing the opponents from scoring. Our MVP for our season would have to be Eatrend Wang as he carried our team to victory with a consistent top scoring streak all season.

We had great matches throughout the season but our finest game would have to be against St Josephs, with a final score of forty eight to two. Throughout the season, our team created a strong bond with each other so there was little need for communication in game as our audacious training allowed us to synchronise perfectly.

Grant Choi

16F

The 2011/12 season was a great success for the 16F's. At the start of the season we lacked the teamwork and skills needed to win games but with dedication, determination and endless hours of vigorous training we were able to develop the cooperation and skills needed to win the majority of our games. Every player was crucial and played a major role in scoring and defending against the other schools. We would not have reached this high standard of playing without our coach, Alvin Leung, who supported us and gave up countless hours to coach us.

Our most valuable player was Willars Tan and our most improved was Anes Karahasan.

Daniel Shao



16C Basketball

Back Row: N.Kong, W.Liu, S.Noronha, P.Gao, L.Lee.

Front Row: S.Pharm, A.Kuang, W.Zhuang (Captain), J.Gill Lee, T-W.Yu.



16D Basketball

Back Row: J.Freiberg, S.Khan, G.Qin, W.Lu.

Front Row: A.Bui, J.Huo, A.Tayeh (Captain), A.Qi, J.Ng.



16E Basketball

Back Row: P.Vuong, E.Wang, G.Choi, H.Xu. **Front Row:** B.Hou, R.Chen, J.Le (Captain), J.Ma, L.Chen.



16F Basketball

Back Row: M.Fung, R.Ip, J.Waring, S.Cheng, A.Shi. **Front Row:** J.Jo, A.Karahasan, D.Shao, W.Tan, W.Yang.

15A

The 2012 Season for the 15A's started off with a complete roster change, with nearly half the team being new that year. Despite this, the 15A's managed to retain their core tradition with new additions Bailey Musulin, Brendan Fattore, Noah Fowler, Sama Malolo and Anthony Wu adding the creative flair that the team lacked last year. High quickly overcame a tough defeat against Shore and managed to overcome a very tough Newington at home, displaying dominance over a once tough opponent as well as severely outplaying Riverview later on in the season. With several tough games with margins of less than five being the deciding factor against teams such as Grammar, Shore and Kings and despite incredible efforts from long term players Brian Chan and Kelvin Liang, High were severely disappointed to come away from each game with a continued unquenched thirst to win.

Each member of the 15A's basketball team that year experienced many ups and downs that were simply by-products of continued dedication from both players and wonder coach Tom Neal. With this being the last season of junior basketball for the class of 2015 High players, each member of the 15A's would like to express gratitude to both Alex and Ben Hayman as well as Ms Ward for their continued trust and belief in each player and we hope to continue to be a part of the High basketball program for years to come.

Alex So

15B

The 15B's season was full of highs and lows. We started the season with many of the 2010-2011 team members and with the same coach, Tom Neal. The team worked well together and in most games our team work would get us across the line but in some games missed shooting opportunities let us down. After the Christmas holidays we had a few changes to our team and only one training session with a stand in coach who had to quickly get to know each player's strengths. Our first game of 2012 was a massive letdown as we were beaten soundly by Shore. This was a good first hit for the team as it made us realise we needed to work together. After a few games we were playing as a team and, as a result, were scoring forty points a game with Jeremy leading the way. All players improved considerably this season but the standout performances were from Bosco in his first season of basketball and Boris with his amazing shooting.

Without the efforts of the Ben and Alex Hayman, Ms Ward, our coach Tom Neal and many others we would not have had the opportunity to play GPS basketball.

Sean McKenna

14A

14A's was a very strong team with lots of confidence and team spirit. Our team consisted of Aidin, Akash, Albert, Bovan, Jason, Jaeco, Jerry, Justin, William and me (Youki). In the beginning, we struggled to connect with each other and create some chemistry. But under the guidance of Leo and Ben, we slowly improved our game and made better performances on Saturdays. We even won our last few games and watched our hard work finally being paid off. With the support of the great basketball coaches such as Mr Hayman, we attended additional training (Future First) to boost our skills. Most of all however, for me personally, my love for the game basketball only grew. To play on the court with my team and run plays, score baskets and beat the other school is the best feeling. This love only prospered as I played alongside my friends during the 14A's 2011-2012 season. We will continue to work hard in training and increase our skill level, but also have lots of fun playing the greatest game, basketball.

Youki Leong

14B

The 14B basketball team was very successful this year. Almost everyone in the team had a different team background, including a top-scorer who had previously been in 13F's. From the beginning, I knew this team had potential, losing only by eight in our first game together. As the season went on, we won our first game with Kings (which was won by a free-throw) which led to our three wins-in-a-row streak, against Shore and Grammar. We kept up with the others schools, winning seven games in total.

Throughout the season we improved not only in playing the game, but also developed our teamwork and communication skills. Everyone in the team was dedicated and came to training on Thursdays and in the mornings of Wednesdays. I would like to thank our coach, Josh Sutton, on behalf of the team and I am sure everyone will train in the off-season, whether playing during lunch or going to the chill session on Friday afternoons. Once again, thank you team for an awesome season! I hope to see you all in next year!

Star Qiu



15A Basketball

Back Row: S.Malolo, N.Fowler, T.Zhang, K.Liang, B.Musulin.
Front Row: B.Fattore, A.Wu, A.Nadir (Captain), A.So, B.Chan.



15B Basketball

Back Row: B.Amromin, S.Musgrove, C.Wang, C.Lee, B.Tran.
Front Row: S.Si, D.Ahn, S.McKenna (Captain), K.Liang, L.Hoad.



15C Basketball

Back Row: P.King, A.Nam, B.Dang.

Front Row: C.Wang, T.Nguyen, M.Jun, D.Bang, G.Chen.



15D Basketball

Back Row: B.Mguyen, L.Chen, F.Wang, I.Chang, S.Vatandoust.

Front Row: M.Ng, J.Tran, A.Han (Captain), K.Dang, J.Chin.



15E Basketball

Back Row: R.Li, K.Szet, A.Tan, D.Wang, A.Zhang.

Front Row: S.Kamalasuriya, G.Liang, T.Jiang (Captain), J.Huang, N.Haidar.



15F Basketball

Back Row: M.Chan, J.Tran, N.Hoang, G.He, T.Nguyen, J.Wu.

Front Row: W.Banh, H.Zhu, T.Chang (Captain), M.Nguyen, S.Li.



14A Basketball

Back Row: A.Karahasan, J.Gek, J.Hong, A.Yang.

Front Row: W.Chen, J.Agawin, Y.Kita-Leong, J.Song, B.Lin.



14B Basketball

Back Row: M.Li, D.Hoang, A.McCaffery, G.Yuan, R.Seong.

Front Row: P.Johnstone, A.Pham, S.Qiu (Captain), R.Sun, D.Cai.

14C

The C's had quite a good season, with a pleasing win-loss ratio. We played to the best of our abilities every game and were happy with our results. The team had a great time and it was definitely an enjoyable experience for us and Jeremy, our coach.

Our best game was our game against Saint Ignatius as it was our most significant victory and we all worked hard to achieve the results. Our coach Jeremy was a great basketball coach because he taught us good skills without being strict or pushy. It was Jeremy's coaching that made this season of basketball so enjoyable.

Daniel Wang

14D

The 2012 season for the 14D basketball team has been an enjoyable and productive one. Before we reflect on this great season, coach Anton, the team and all the people who support High basketball must be thanked, for without them we could not be

the well-rounded team we are today.

Starting off the season was a bit difficult, as new players had to be introduced to our strategy and our game-plan had to change. Nonetheless, it was all worth it as our team grew and became stronger both on offense and on defence. Throughout all the training sessions, everyone worked extremely hard, but our coach always threw in a few fun activities here and there to help us relax. All the work paid off through a dominant display of defensive ferocity and offensive awareness against Shore, winning the game 15-7. Our final game against St Josephs was memorable, but we unfortunately lost 22-25 after needing three points in twelve seconds to tie the game. This game truly showed how much we had grown as a team and demonstrated the effort and co-operation that went into our game. Ben Wu was announced as the MVP, while Vishal Karnamadakala was announced as the MIP. Hopefully, next season will be an even more prosperous and successful one for the 14D's.

Vishal Karnamadakala



14C Basketball

Back Row: J.Lin, D.Kim, A.Chen, J.Nguyen, K.Luu, L.Tao.

Front Row: K.Cai, T.Luo, D.Wang (Captain), C.Wilson, S.Dai.



14D Basketball

Back Row: J.Zhu, R.Chan, F.Xin, D.Goh, W.Lin.

Front Row: P.Dang, H.Huang, V.Karnamadakala (Captain), M.Yu, B.Wu.



14E Basketball

Back Row: R.Mo, S.Nguyen, C.Shi, A.Petrovic, G.Kim.

Front Row: T.Lo, S.Zhao, D.Huynh (Captain), V.Bui, J.Chin.

14F

This year the 14F's experienced monumental wins over the entire season. Every week, we went to Thursday's training and then went to the Saturday games against other GPS schools. We were unsure of how we would fare against the other private schools but after the first two wins we began gaining confidence in our abilities. We continued to win many matches until it was our turn against the rivals of SBHS basketball, Newington College. Our game was spectacular for the first half with a lead of 12-5 but in the second half, Newington made an incredible comeback and beat us in a close 18-19.

Unfortunately for the 14F's, we lost key players throughout the season as they were moved to higher teams. Despite losing one of our main scorers early in the season, we continued to play exceptionally well and still won our matches. Later in the season we lost two more players but they both gave one last push for our team before leaving. Both Harry Huang and William Lin did exceptionally well with their fast break layups and screens allowing the rest of the team to score.

Daniel Jiang

13A

Our first season, first time playing together and the first few matches of basketball did not turn out well but the boys had fun and played every game to the best of their abilities. Due to the short season, we only played three games as the rest were rained out, our team did not have time to train and build as a team before the competition began. Our coach encouraged us in every game and spent much effort and time training and trying to make us play co-operatively. In our first game, possession was turned over and over again by both teams while our coach, David Nguyen, continuously encouraged us with tips time and again. We bounced back from the Newington loss but were unable to hold our lead and St Ignatius got away with a margin of thirty points. Every game and training session allowed our team member's skills improved. With our team work enhanced, we all went into our Sydney Grammar game full of confidence. Disappointingly, we lost but our team had progressed over the season to excel in scoring, rebounding and dribbling.

Kurt Wang



14F Basketball

Back Row: S.Haque, J.Chan, J.Ye. **Front Row:** K.Liang, J.Luo, D.Jiang (Captain), V.Bui, J.Chin.

Basketball



13A Basketball

Back Row: C.Won, A.Li, J.Zheng, J.Yang, J.Kurosawa.
Front Row: J.Chung, H.Bartley, K.Wang, S.Habib, B.Chan.



13B Basketball

Back Row: D.Nguyen-Jariv, R.Liu, D.Xian, J.Luo, J.Phan. **Front Row:** H.Li, E.May, P.Han, J.Tran, J.Loh.

13B

The season started hesitantly for the 13B's with most team members having little basketball experience. We encountered some well drilled and skilled teams who were superior. But with the help of our great coach, Benson, and some hard training sessions, we steadily narrowed the gap and, as the season progressed the games became increasingly challenging for our opposition. Whilst we couldn't quickly acquire the skills needed to score offensively, defensively we improved every game. Our superior effort and commitment (as well as our increasing team play and fitness) meant we were able to progressively keep our opponents to lower totals.

With further experience and hard work, we can continue to develop and improve and look forward to some winning performances in the future.

Ethan May

13D

This season the 13D's basketball team played exceptionally well. Due to rain, we were only able to play three games. Each member of the team gave it

their all in every single one of these games. We were unable to pull off a victory in any of these games but we played to the very best of our abilities. I'm very proud of the team as they put in one hundred percent effort in every game, no matter how much we were down. The main thing was not winning, but that we all had a fun time playing and socialising with each other. We had some great moments during the 2011-12 season and believe we will do well next year.

I would like to thank everyone who helped make this season as good as it was. A special thanks to our Coach and all the parents for driving their sons to the games.

Lucas Wong

13E

Well what a season we had! Full of ups and downs but I am sure we are proud of ourselves. The season started off with a closely contested match with Newington. We were losing by six points in the last minute but we showed amazing perseverance and pulled back four points. Sadly, we lost the game by a meagre two points. Our next match was against St



13C Basketball

Back Row: J.Fang, A.Tam, J.Ye, A.Lee, J.Zheng. **Front Row:** R.Huang, D.Ho, H.Huang, K.Chung, A.Leung.



13D Basketball

Back Row: H.Yio, D.Tian, R.Gu, A.Nguyen, E.Shen.

Front Row: J.Yip, H.Jeon, L.Wong (Captain), M.Yang, M.Zheng.



13E Basketball

Back Row: J.Lek, T.Nguyen, P.Yu, C.Nguyen. **Front Row:** S.Hua, L.Vuong, A.Zhu, M.Qiao, J.Kwak.

Ignatius. Our first half started well, with an early six point lead but our lack of experience bit back at us. We ended up losing the game by ten points. Eager for the first win of our season, the team went into the game against Sydney Grammar confidently. It was a close match between the two teams but Sydney Grammar pulled away with an eight point win.

It was sad that we didn't finish the season with any wins but I am sure that we all improved our basketball and we will come back next season with a whole new attitude.

Chris Nguyen

13F

There were five exciting games scheduled for the 13F's this year. Each of these games was packed with notable moves. High 13F has played against Newington, St Ignatius, Sydney Grammar, and Kings. Unfortunately the last match against St Josephs was cancelled due to rain. The whole team has played very well throughout this term and has learnt a lot during our first summer sport season in High.

The first game was a home game against Newington and was a very close – 20-7 with a few exciting

scores from players David Zheng, Shane Chen and Jeremy Chin. Players worked very hard on their defence to avoid the other team stealing the ball.

The second away game against St Ignatius was very challenging. Despite the turn over during the second half of the game, we improved on our defence, focus, stamina and skills. In this game, we were able to steal their ball and run to the other side of the court to score.

The fourth away game was against Sydney Grammar. The sun was blazing and the boys were feeling the heat when the game was starting to get close. We improved all the skills learnt during the training sessions this term and we tried to outrun them by pushing ourselves past our limits.

The next home game was against Kings. We were very determined to win as it was our last home game and we were desperate. We managed to pass the ball expertly and we had a very strong defence. We won a game against Kings with a very close – 12-11

Our final game of the season was to be held at St Joseph's but was washed out. We were very sad as we wanted to extend our winning streak.

Jason Huo



13F Basketball

Back Row: D.Zhang, N.Zhang, S.Chen, J.Chin, W.Lin. **Front Row:** B.Wu, D.Wu, J.Huo (Captain), A.Lu, J.Feng.

Tennis



First Grade Tennis

Back Row: R.Risteski, L.Day, P.Rynsaardt.
Front Row: B.Tran, Dr K.A.Jaggar (Principal), F.Zhang (Captain), D.Deep (Coach), A.Smagarinsky.

First Grade

Tennis at High has become a highly popular sport with great depth throughout the Opens and Junior grades. In his third year as Head Coach, David Deep has transformed tennis at High by implementing a training program that has our tennis athletes well prepared for competition. This training program consists of two on-court sessions, two gym sessions and one sprints session. The results of this training were evident with players from all teams showing great improvement throughout the season.

First Grade Tennis was optimistic heading into the season with a positive attitude and the chance of improving on last season's performance. With the team having a great mixture of youth and experience, the boys headed into the first round of trials against Scots with confidence. After getting a comfortable nine-three win over the Scots, the trial season went pear-shaped for us. This was due to a large number of injuries and inconsistent doubles combinations affecting us each week. Unfortunately, we were unable to piece together another win in the trial season. Despite the unfortunate result in the trial matches, the boys were now really determined to do better in the season.

The season began straight after the trial season in Term Four rather than the traditional Term One start. High faced Scots in Round One of the Competition, looking to repeat the win over them in the trial season. However, with valuable team members unavailable and injury woes still lingering, High went into the rubber with an understrength team. The boys fought hard under the circumstances and were unfortunate not to come away with the win, going down nine-three to Scots. Robert put in an outstanding performance on the day coming away with wins in his singles and doubles.

The 2012 fixtures began with High making a visit to Shore. After an exhilarating experience with an Australian Open Tennis Camp, the team was looking to kick start 2012 on a positive note. The day against Shore began well, with High winning most of the doubles, only to go down three-six, six-four, nine-eleven in the number one doubles. With only three of the six singles needed to win the rubber, the boys were confident that this was achievable. However, a plague of injuries struck three members of our team during their respective singles matches. With luck not on our side, High fell to an agonising eight-four loss to Shore, with one match being the pivotal

difference in our opponent gaining the three bonus points and not us. Patrick and Anton had superb performances winning both matches, with Anton outlasting his opponent in a marathon match winning three-six, six-four, seven-six.

In week three of the Competition we faced our toughest challenge against Tennis powerhouse Newington. The day did not start well with High going down in all three doubles. With the singles well underway, rain affected play for the first time this season. The rubber was able to be resumed but the rain did not help our cause. As a result, we were only able to pick up half a point on the day thanks to Lachlan who was able to grind it out for a draw in his singles.

Next up was St Ignatius. From the outset we knew that this was going to be the most competitive rubber of the season, with both teams evenly matched. We started the day on the back foot, with the team only being successful on one of the three doubles. Set with an immense task of having to win four of the six singles to win the day, the top three players, Brian, Patrick and I all delivered on the day, giving High great hope of a comeback win. Unfortunately we fell down at the final hurdle, going down in another agonising eight-four defeat.

With half the season gone, and our chances to improve the 2011 fourth position slipping, High went into a rubber against rivals Grammar in what



Brian Tran with the 2012 Australian Nationals Championship Cup

was a must win rubber for us. We got off to a flying start winning two of the three doubles. With our spirits running high after the doubles, we entered the singles feeling confident. Excellent match play and determination saw Robert, Adam, Josh and myself in the singles power High to its first victory of the season, winning nine-three. It was an enthusiastic team effort to get the win especially after many heartbreaking losses in the weeks leading into this rubber.

After getting a much needed win, we returned home to face a strong Kings outfit in our final home rubber. Despite storm clouds looming, the doubles matches got underway. Unfortunately our number three doubles went down before the rain washed out the remaining matches. We were unable to claw our way back onto level terms with Kings, with Lachlan and myself getting close in their doubles, leading six-four three-zero before the rain. We went down to Kings by a mere one point 6.5-5.5, due to inclement weather.

The final rubber of the season saw High take on the bottom placed Joeys. This was an extremely important rubber for us, with Grammar, Shore and Scots

closely on our tails. The team was also looking to finish off the season on a positive note. Our number one doubles, Brian and Patrick put in an exceptional doubles display to get us off to a good start. Number Two doubles, Frank and Lachlan continued their great doubles form, wiping their opponents off the court. After the doubles, rain struck for the third time this season, forcing the rubber to be abandoned. As a result from our doubles play, we finished on a positive note, beating Joeys 6.5-5.5.

First Grade matched last year's performance with another Fourth Place finishing. Despite not being able to improve on last year's performance, we were fortunate enough to achieve this result after the horrid start we had to the season. The resilience the team showed in order to comeback from the close losses early in the season to finish the season strongly was a great effort. Congratulations to Patrick who was selected in the GPS combined team as Number Six in Second Grade and was also selected for the opens CHS individual team. Congratulations to Brian who gained selection in the GPS combined team as Number Five in Second Grade.



Second Grade Tennis

Back Row: Y.Shi, A.Brokman, I.Li.

Front Row: J.Sanguenza, J.Chan, J.Chee, D.Dien.

I would like to thank a number of people for their efforts in making this a successful season. Firstly, I would like to thank Dr Jaggar for his ongoing support with High tennis, MIC of Tennis Mr Wright for his countless hours behind the scenes, Sports Master, Mr Pavone for his efforts in the organisation and Head Coach David Deep for his efforts in preparing our athletes. Finally, a special thanks to all of the parents who prepared the numerous afternoon teas for the players.

Frank Zhang, Captain of Tennis

Second Grade

This season High's Second Grade Tennis team was looking to improve on last season's performance. We knew it would be tough considering we only retained three of our players from the previous season. All the players in our team were required to attend sprints and weights sessions, which improved our fitness and strength during our matches. One of our aims this season was to improve our doubles play through drills as well as using serve and volley tactics.

In the first match of the trial season we faced a confident Scots College outfit. Although James Chan and Yuan Shi were able to win both their matches in three sets, we were not able to get over the line, with the final score being 2-10 to Scots. After several disappointing performances against Kings and Newington, our team faced a beatable Joey's opposition. The day started off well, with Denny Dien and Yuan Shi teaming showing promising signs, beating their opponents 6-3 7-6. In the singles Yuan Shi, Eddy Wang and Rio Kawahashi won their matches, but this was not enough to get us the win, losing a narrow five matches to four.

At the start of 2012 our team was lucky enough to welcome a new coach, Catherine Barclay, a former professional with two WTA doubles titles to her name. The first few matches of the season were disappointing for us, with many poor performances due to increased pressure. In Round Five our number one, Anton Brokman, produced a brilliant performance, winning both matches easily. Facing rivals Grammar, Anton teamed up with James Chan to win his doubles 6-2 6-1, and then his singles 6-3 6-2. In our last match against Joeys, James Chan and James Chee were close to winning their singles matches before rain interrupted play. With the remaining points split, the final score read 2.5 – 9.5, with us finishing a disappointing last on the table once again.

A big thankyou to our coach Catherine Barclay for all the effort she has put in to our development as tennis players, Peter Pereira for managing us on Saturdays, David Deep for his advice during training, TJ, Kurt and Josh Tassel for supervising our sprints and weights sessions, as well as Tennis MIC Mr Paul Wright for making this season possible. This season would not be possible without all your help. Next season we hope to once again improve upon this season's result and be more competitive against the other GPS schools.

James Chan, Captain

Third to Sixth Grade

Our skills have improved greatly over the tennis season, despite a mixed set of results. With the additional burden of academic life to juggle at the beginning of the season, our teams initially struggled to handle sporting pressures. However, a couple of weeks into the season saw improving results, a clear indication that all the players were beginning to find a balance between their sport and academic lives. The Third to Sixth Graders have been able to compete well against formidable opponents such as Grammar, Shore and Scots. Many close tiebreakers were prevalent towards the end of the season, showcasing the effort that the boys have put into their games throughout the season. As a whole, there were seven draws and three wins, two of which were comprehensive (5-1) victories. The large number of draws serves as a demonstration that High will continue to be competitive in upcoming years.

In Third Grade, Chun Ho played every week, setting an example of dedication. Even though he did not manage any wins, there were multiple tiebreakers, all of which were lost narrowly. Thomas Nguyen was our most consistent player, winning all of the games he played with style. Our most improved players would have to be Vincent Yee and Sumen Kumareswaran, who have continuously astounded us with their rising levels of play on court. Sumen has been developing his forehand and serve throughout training sessions, culminating in a victory at the end of the season. Vincent started as a rookie in Sixth Grade at the beginning of the season and has finished with amazing form. He has managed to improve his tennis as a whole, including his serving, volleying, various groundstrokes and athletic ability. These improvements resulted in a win in Fourth Grade.

Patrick Krakovsky has also proved to be an awesome all-rounder over the years, yielding many nail-biting victories. Even though some players have been suffering from lack of form and match practice in the team, they continue to show potential to lead High Tennis next season.

My thanks is extended to Mr Boros, Mr Wright, Head Teacher of Sport Mr Pavone, the MIC David Deep and everyone who has invested their time and effort into the tennis program, including the dedicated parents who drive us to and from games. It is reassuring to know that High Tennis will be left in good hands once the Year 12's leave. I would also like to thank the players for putting their time and effort into tennis and competing for our school.

Sooraj Prakash

Sixteens

First and foremost, on behalf the 16s tennis team, I would like to thank the efforts of George Panas and Mr Wright for making this tennis season possible and very enjoyable. Physical fitness and overall gameplay improved thanks to the coaching from George.

Overall, it was a mixed season of wins and losses. We were victorious over Grammar, St Ignatius and Shore during this season. The C's and D's had outstanding results with many players winning singles and doubles for many consecutive weeks. The A's and B's were not as successful, with many close and hard battles on the court against the other schools.

In the third game of Term One 2012, High was ready to play against Newington but unable to gain a win. Nevertheless, the standouts for this week were Junjie Kuang, Chris Chan and Daniel Zhang winning their singles matches.

Against St Ignatius Junjie Kuang won his singles again in the C's competition and Chris Chan and William Wu were successful in the A's doubles.

With more positive results against Grammar, we were able to record all A's and D's doubles wins- all in tie-breaks. This was a good sign showing patience, mental strength and courage from all players. The game tallies were as follows: A's drew 2-2 with two games unable to be played because of time constraints, B's lost 1-3 (with two games halted midway), C's drew 3-3 (with two games won due to



Third to Sixth Grade Tennis

Back Row: C.Wan, C.Ho, A.Stoneham, J.Ni, E.Zhang, T.Zhang, L.Zhang, S.Ngo.

Second Row: D.Truong, A.Ayalasoma, T.Lau, J.Kim, D.Mah, C.Xu, N.Lin, F.Wu, V.Ye.

Front Row: M.Deng, T.Zhang, D.Fung, D.Pan, T.Nguyen, R.Ngai, S.Prakesh, S.Kumarewswaran, R.Lee.

forfeit) and D's won 4-1 with Darren Li's game unfortunately halted at 4-5.

There were some individual achievements and standouts this season: Chris Chan who was B-one was able to move up to A-four; William Wu (A-three) recorded numerous singles and doubles wins; Junjie Kuang won consecutive singles; Rakulan Arulmurugan put in consistent effort over this period and both the reserves, Darren Li and Joshua Lane were flexible over the season. There is also a special mention to Brendan Hancox for his time and effort recording results and making Sixteens tennis a part of the High Notes!

Though the overall results may have been disappointing the Sixteens played hard as a team. I would like to thank and congratulate everyone for their efforts this season! I hope everyone continues to endeavour and work hard in their future tennis years. Best of luck for those trying out for graded teams next year!

James Lin

Fifteens

Over the past very enjoyable season of tennis, players of all teams have improved under the guidance of our coach. We had mainly mixed results in our games, but as the season went on, we became more structured in our matches and learnt how to implement tactics to defeat other schools. We became more successful. Doubles partners were formed and we became familiar with each other's patterns and learned to play well together. Some of our A players from last season moved up to Second Grade, causing everyone to move up and play against tougher opponents. We were all able to cope well with this more intense level of tennis and we still retained many wins.

There were many tight matches and unfortunate losses. Our many reserves were great sports this season, coming to the games even if they knew they were not going to get to play. If they did play, due to other players not being able to make it, they did an excellent job of filling in. We are all good friends in this tennis team and we are happy to help each



16 Years Tennis

Back Row: C.Chan, D.Upatising, W.Wu, M.Hauser.

Second Row: J.Zhang, D.Zhang, R.Arulmurugan, W.Du, M.Xin, A.Hassan, J.Garrett, J.Tang.

Front Row: D.Li, J.Kuang, A.Zhang, J.Lin, G.Kwok, B.Hancox, J.Lane.

other out. On behalf of the whole 15's Tennis team, I would like to thank our coach, parents and teachers for organising this sport and giving us support. Our whole team should be proud of how this season went and everyone should look forward to next season with optimism.

Julian Vo

Fourteens

The tennis season started off a little slow for the u14's. In the first week against Newington we could clearly see our faults as most of our top players went down with a 6-3 or 6-2 loss. In the long season the highlight of our games was when we thrashed St Joseph's with our A's winning 3-1 in doubles and singles and most of the team pulling off a win. Although this tennis season has come up short for us due to the many rain-outs and the change of courts and coaches, the spirit of tennis was at an all-

time high and everyone contributed. This showed through noticeably as we improved over the term. Thank you to the reserves for staying faithful and very flexible even though they missed out on many matches. A congratulations to the whole of the U14's Tennis Team and all the best for next season.

Ervin Zhou

Thirteens

This summer season we have enjoyed our first sport at Sydney High, Tennis. As the season progressed, so did our skills. Towards the end of the season, the overall structure of our game was much better formed. During the season, we represented SBHS in the GPS Tennis Competition. There were various results and whether we won or lost the support of the parents was reassuring. In summary of the season, we have developed skills and friends.

Wanyu Tang



15 Years Tennis

Back Row: S.Balakrishnan, K.Chen, V.Gao, K.Ni, J.Jung, C.Zhou, L.Mah, J.Park, D.Chiang.

Second Row: I.Hussaini, G.Chandrasekaran, H.Cheong, B.Zhuang, J.Vo, J.Liang, S.Xu, B.Deng, Y.Chen, D.Zhou, K.Lin.

Front Row: R.Kawahashi, M.Libman, D.Chen, C.Yang, E.Wang, K.Lu, R.Hao, K.Jin, A.Wu.



14 Years Tennis

Back Row: N.Ravi Raj, L.Yang, P.Kadappu, A.Yu, T.Nguyen, G.Huang, J.Song, C.Xiao, R.Song.

Front Row: B.Liang, A.Joshi, A.Tse, E.Zhou, I.Shtein, A.You, P.Lin.



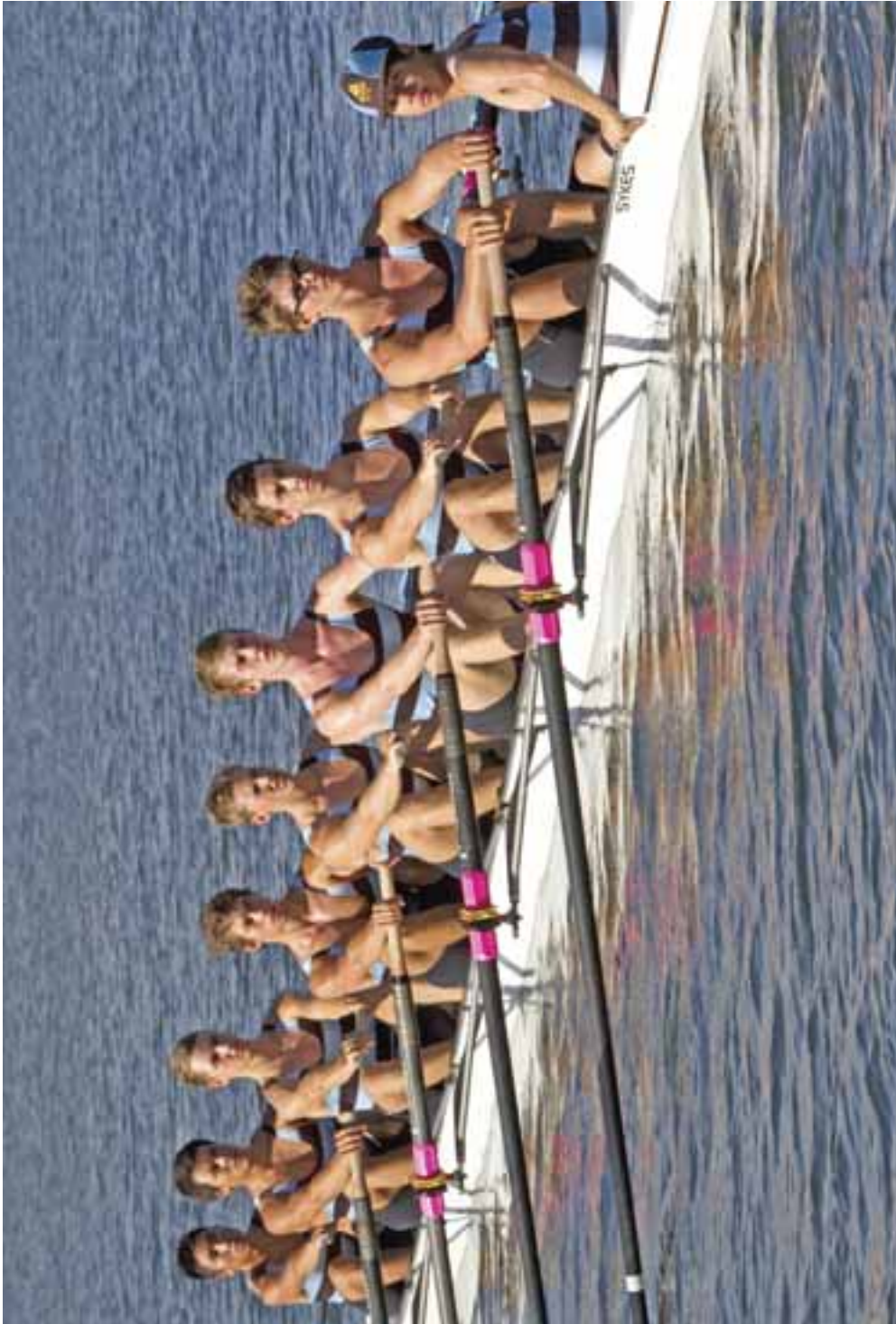
13 Years Tennis

Back Row: S.Zhang, A.Prasad, J.Tian, E.He.

Second Row: D.Huang, G.Chung, A.Xiao, K.Xu, R.Zhang, T.Li, U.Singh, C.Liu.

Front Row: J.Chen, J.Snow, T.Li, W.Tang, I.Zhai, J.Sung, D.Nguyen.

Rowing



First Eight

Bow: N.Tang, 2: S.Comminos, 3: A.Purcal, 4: G.de Nigris, 5: D.Andrews, 6: T.Montanaro, 7: M.Jones, Stroke: B.Wilcox, Cox: D.Tam.

Principal's Address Rowing Assembly

Special guest, Alan Skinner (SHS 1959), Head of the River crews, coaches, parents, teachers, students; welcome to our 2012 rowing assembly to introduce and honour those crews who will compete for us at the Head of the River on Saturday.

There is such a lot of work by so many people to bring the boys in the rowing program to their peak levels of performance. Our Rowing MIC, Julie Blomberg, has again demonstrated great administrative skills and considerable soft skills when managing relationships in the rowing community at High. I thank her for her dedication to the role and her wonderful commitment to the boys and their sport.

I want to thank Adrian Henning for his work in preparing the fleet, oars and chase boats, straightening out the maintenance routines at the sheds and coaching the First VIII this year. I extend special thanks to Michael Morgan, the legendary GPS coach who has been an inspirational coaching advisor this term. Thank you to Mitch Estens who has brought along the Second VIII very impressively. Thank you to Shahar Merom for his coordination of the Year 10 VIIIs and to Gareth Deacon and Adrian Webster who worked well with him. Well done to Thomas Parker for his guidance of the first and second Year 9 quads and to Terence Alfred and Lucas McBeath for their assistance. Our Junior Coordinator, Alexandra Wallace, has brought professionalism and communication skills to the junior program. She has been assisted by a great team of recent Old Boys: Ryan Caetano, Tim Gollan, Pravin Radakrishnan, Alan Low, Hayden Schilling, Isaac Eveleigh, Bach Trang and Koren Fang.

It is great that the Taree Camp in January has become a fixture on our training calendar. As usual, the Rowing program owes a great deal to the efforts of the Rowing Committee, in particular Craig Phillis as President. Kim Jones, Nada Andrews, Rick Wilcox, Helen Montanaro and Sachi Purcal, have given much of their time to help the rowing program – thank you all. Geoff Andrews, as both Rowing Committee member and Foundation Chairman, has devoted many hours of his time again this season.

This year we have tried to up the level of professionalism and discipline in the rowing program. There are more rowers joining the sport

and our challenge is to hold them all through their final years at school. To sustain our more structured and professional model for coaching, management and maintenance we will need ongoing support from parents and Old Boys. Most importantly, we will need to build our intensity on and off the water so that we can start emulating the numbers coming from other rowing programs that we want to compete with.

The first goal for the First VIII at the Head of the River this Saturday is to better High's 13-year average of 6:23.4. The second goal is to beat 6:20. If you followed Ron Barassi's AFL dictum of the 6000 second game plan, you would make 220 strokes at 35 per minute or 5 sets of 11 strokes repeated 4 times. Each iteration of the plan breaks the task down into moments for focussed action – the next stroke. The third tier goal is to go for the margin of excellence, set at 5% longer than the winner's time. On average this would be 6:14.5. High crews achieved this goal in 1999 and 2005. For the Second VIII, it would be a fine effort to row faster than the winner's time + 7.8%. The First Year 10 VIII needs to beat + 8.2% and the Second Year 10 VIII, 10.7%. The school has only boated a Third Year 10 VIII twice before, so + 7.8% is the target. What we need from you all is to focus and suffer pain beyond your accustomed threshold.

The great Olympian, Edwin Flack, won gold medals in the 800 and 1500 metres at Athens in 1896. He had nothing to prove and had not run more than ten miles before, but he entered the marathon – from Marathon to Athens. He recalled that "it was very disappointing to give in after twenty three miles and with just three miles to go. However, I was awfully done up and could not have run another 100 yards to save my life. As it was I should have fallen from exhaustion if some of the bystanders had not caught me..." On Saturday we want you all to see yourselves as Edwin Flack's neophytes and give everything you have for your place in our rowing history. Row together right to the end and do so with the greatest intensity that you can muster, oblivious to your suffering. If you do it as a crew, you will assuredly reach one or more of your goals.

Congratulations to all crews selected to represent High. Good luck tomorrow!

Dr K Jaggar

Captain of Boats Address

Good morning rowers, coaches, parents and teachers.

We are gathered here tonight to honour the achievements of a select group of rowers who have earned the right to represent their school in one of the largest schoolboy events in the country. However, their achievements did not come easily. The rowers here today have worked tirelessly on fitness and technique, always striving to perfect the rowing stroke.

Although this year's rowing season was shorter than last year, our rowers have risen to the challenge, subjecting themselves to an intense training regime consisting of cycling, strength work in the gym and countless rowing sessions on the water.

For me, rowing is not just about hard work, but also about the friendships and sense of community you get from being involved in the sport. Rowing is a sport built around teamwork, and provides boys with an opportunity to fraternise, while teaching valuable lessons of time management and teamwork.

As you prepare for your last race this season, ask yourself what will drive you to strive for perfection as you come down the course? Is it the desire to stand on the podium triumphant, to push yourself to the brink of total exhaustion for your mates with you in the boat or for your pride in the school or the family and friends who have come to support you? Whatever the reasons, as you cross the finish line, know that you gave all you could for your crew and be able to know your teammates did the same.

Tomorrow marks the the culmination of months of training, and it all boils down to six minutes of physical exertion, so to the senior rowers I will say that the hard work and effort you have put in over the season will doubtless pay off. Boys, the Tenth of March is our time to shine.

Coached by Mitchell Estens, the Second VIII for 2012 reads as follows:

Bow - Michael Hughes, 2 - Sam Phillis, 3 - Ken Li, 4 - Ronald Tran, 5 - Ashley Chan, 6 - Daniel Keogh, 7 - Kin Pan, Stroke - Alexander Pereira. The second VIII are coxed by Alfred Xing

For the First VIII, the season began well before term three last year. The dedication in the pre-season paid off., Spurred on by with the promises of a new coach and a new racing VIII we established a fitness

base. At the start of the season, the VIII posted a person best time of 6:26 and has continued to make improvements in tests of strength and fitness.

Coached by Adrian Henning, the First VIII has developed into a crew that had exceeded the expectations I had at the start of the season. Adrian's guidance and extensive knowledge of rowing have proved invaluable this season. He has helped the crew to grow not only as rowers, but also as men. His efforts to reinvent the culture of the High Rowing Club have been successful in creating a well-organised and competitive environment for our rowers. Special mention must also be made of the efforts of Michael Morgan, who has been helping with our training since the beginning of the year. Mr Morgan's meticulous attention to technique has been vital in our development as a crew.

The First VIII for 2012 reads as follows:

Bow - Nelson Tang. Nelson's perseverance and attitude to training have earned him his seat in the boat. Although he wasn't in the First VIII until a few weeks ago, he saw an opportunity and continued to push himself towards his goal. A man of few words, Nelson is a quiet worker and can be relied on to give his all under pressure.

2 - Steve Comninos. Although Steve is the youngest in the boat, he is also one of the biggest. Steve's progress this year can be measured by his improvements in technique, fitness and on the erg. A hard worker, Steve can be counted on to push himself to his limits all the time.

4 - Gianmarco DeNigris. GM came to the school early last year and wasted no time in making it apparent he was a talented rower. GM's fitness and mental toughness are second to none in the boat. He has his sights set firmly on representing Australia, and has earned my admiration for the vigour and determination with which he is pursuing his goal. I wish him all the best.

5 - David Andrews. David's laidback attitude and determination during training and racing make him a formidable rower. One of the heaviest and strongest in the boat, David was an obvious choice for the pivotal power seat.

6 - Timothy Montanaro. Tim's attitude to training is infectious, and as Vice-Captain of Boats Tim could always be relied on to lead by example, be it during cycling, on the erg or on the water. One of the most technical rowers in the boat, Tim's power and

command of the rowing stroke will be invaluable as we race for the finish.

7 - Max Jones. Max was an easy choice for the seven seat because of his rhythm and understanding of the intricate complexities of rowing. His jovial attitude and impressions keeps everyone in the sheds in good spirits.

8 - Ben Wilcox. Probably the hardest worker I know, his love of competition lets him push himself to outdo all others in the crew in tests of strength and on the ergometer. Ben has the fastest erg in the sheds and his strength and rhythm made him an easy choice for the stroke seat.

Cox - Daniel Tam. This is Daniel's second year as cox of the First VIII, and his experience is reflected in his ability to navigate the river. He has been tirelessly working on his calls and steering and has shown an impressive capacity for improvement, which he will carry through as he steers us down the course tomorrow.

To my fellow Year 12s, this Head of the River marks the end of our time rowing for High. We've been rowing together for three years now, and the journey has been incredible to say the least. To the Year 11s and 10s, although this won't be your last head of the river, embrace it as an experience to learn something about yourselves and the limits you can push yourself to, not only for personal satisfaction, but also for your teammates. When you push off from the pontoon on race day, look at the boys around you, ready to push themselves beyond limits they knew existed. That's when you'll know: 'This is why I row!'

With myself as 3 seat, I give you the First VIII for 2012.

Andreas Purcal

Melbourne High Visit

On 16 November, Melbourne Boys High came to visit us. They arrived at Sydney International Airport at midday and caught a bus to the Outterside Centre in Abbotsford where they waited patiently for the Sydney High Boys to arrive. At approximately 2:45 we filed into the sheds and both schools tried to stare each other down. It was a friendly rivalry, a strong tradition between the two schools. That training session was like any other session, but with an extra forty boys at the sheds and progress was agonizingly slow. Unfortunately, the weather had turned against us with winds of up to forty km/hr.

The Melbourne boys were indeed rowing in uncharted waters, accustomed to perfectly calm conditions on the Yarra rather than the waves and Rivercats of the Parramatta. We trained as hard as any other day but today we had two sessions on the water to prepare for the races with Melbourne High. Afterwards we were assigned our billets and were encouraged to familiarise ourselves with them. At night we played a variety of games to let us mingle with the other Melbourne boys and we slept at approximately 10.30. With an early start of 5:15 the next day, we went out for another two sessions on the water.

We were dismissed at around two and we all split up. With little time to regroup in the afternoon, we spent the nights at home after an exhausting day. The next day we caught public transport to school where we were driven to the Outterside Centre. From there we raced all morning. Both First Vllls had a breakage, leaving the score tied at one all. After racing, which took approximately three hours, we were dismissed. We all decided to catch the Rivercat to Circular Quay where we proceeded to an All You Can Eat Pizza Hut crammed with seventy boys. Kudos to Brendan Kong for downing twenty one slices of pizza which unfortunately was regurgitated a couple of hours later. Afterwards, the group split into four. One group comprising of Ray Fang and Sam Phillis visited the Secret Room and stayed there for the rest of the day where they played pool and Wll. Another group which included Robert Tan and Damian Duong visited Cityhunter allowing the billets to explore the wonders of the gaming world. The third group which consisted of Anthony Tran and Michael Hughes visited Galaxy World and finally the last group made up by Rex Yi, Kohen Lau and Sam Lin visited the Opera House before going into the Botanic Gardens.

All in all the billets and the High boys had a great time and we farewelled them on 19 November right before the Grammar Regatta. We are all looking forward to next year, when we will all head down to Melbourne as well.

Sam Lin

Taree Senior Camp Report

After the success of last year's trip to Taree, the Sydney Boys High Senior Rowers travelled up north in January in expectation of a tough six days of rowing. The Croker family were again hospitable

enough to let us use their facilities; camping outside their house, giving us electricity, shelter and amenities, and even giving us a tour of the oar factory. On arrival, the boys set up their tents, rigged up the boats and the eight men up for selection for the First VIII prepared to seat race. The last two seats were filled on the second day of our camp, after fifteen gruelling one kilometre races, with Steve Conninos and Alex Pereira regaining their spots in the VIII. With the First and Second VIII's now filled, we were able to use the perfectly flat water of the Manning River to commence our training.

The crews really grew together on the camp, making crucial and encouraging improvements over the approximately fifty km they covered each day, including long endurance rows and shorter, intense workloads. The First VIII were lucky enough to have the input of Michael Morgan in their training, who is an Australian and specifically AAGPS rowing legend, coaching countless Head of the River winners in the last twenty five years. Along with our coach, Adrian Henning's, input, the First VIII made some extremely promising improvements in their technique.

The long, exhausting rows made by both crews throughout the camp significantly helped our physical and mental endurance, and the high workloads helped us to keep our technique consistent. Overall, the camp was a great success,

benefiting both crews significantly and being one of the highlights of our season.

Many thanks must go to the Croker family for letting us use their facilities, and a special thanks to all the parents who camped out with us; preparing all our meals and keeping us in check. Sydney Boys High Rowing has always been fuelled by the parents who volunteer, and this camp was no exception. A special thanks to MIC Julie Blomberg for organizing the camp again, as well as to First VIII Coach, Adrian Henning, and Second VIII Coach, Mitch Estens, for all their involvement.

Alex Pereira

Second VIII

The Sydney High Second VIII was a crew filled with uncertainty early in the season. With no apparent coach and only seven returning members from last season's Year 10 Squad, we did not have the numbers for a full crew. Nevertheless, as the season progressed, a coach, Mitch Estens, who had previously coached us in the Year 10 Vllls. He soon enlisted two younger rowers, Mike Hughes and Sam Phillis, to join our ranks and this gave us a sense of enthusiasm and confidence as to what the season would bring.

Even with a full crew we kept to rowing in the smaller boats and attempted to solve the many



Second Eight

Bow: M.Hughes, 2: S.Phillis, 3: K.Li, 4: R.Tran, 5: A.Chan, 6: D.Keogh, 7: K.Pan, Stroke: A.Pereira, Cox: A.Xing.



First Year 10 Eight

Bow: B.Kong, 2: E.Ou, 3: R.Yi, 4: S.Lin, 5: A.Zhang, 6: B.Xie, 7: C.Wang,, Stroke: R.Fang, Cox: K.Liu.

technical issues that had arisen over the earlier parts of the season. Some of these sessions were riddled with frustration and the early racing season did not help to boost our confidence. Nevertheless, the crew maintained a sense of discipline and direction under the Mitch's guidance. Although we did not see it or really believe it at the time, he assured us that all our base work would eventually pay off.

The Term Four annual Nepean rowing camp was the first time the crew had been able to row the four with some sense of balance. It was an exciting moment seeing our technical work pay off and this gave us greater faith in the potential of the crew.

Over the summer, we trained hard and this culminated with the Taree selection regatta in late January. The rows were long and arduous and we worked hard at maintaining our discipline under pressure. The Taree camp also amounted to some of the best memories of the season. It was an unreal experience camping on the Croker Farm and we really enjoyed the change of scenery especially the luxury of rowing on flat water. During this time we also worked heavily on goal setting and through this we were able to establish a clear sense of direction in our crew. This also led to noticeable improvements in our attitude and work ethic.

Over Term One, the Second VIII became increasingly competitive with the First VIII. We made stark

improvements in our racing and this was evident in our results at weekend regattas. A highlight was when we delivered a crushing defeat to the St Josephs and St Ignatius Third VIII's at the Sydney Rowing Club regatta. For most members of the crew, this also happened to be our first ever victory over our GPS counterparts and it inspired even more confidence within our crew leading up to the big day.

At the Head of the River, the Sydney High Second VIII lined up in the starting blocks with absolutely nothing to lose. We rowed down that two kilometre course with courage and pride and that is all I could have asked for. Rowing is just as much about the journey as it is the result and I find it hard to discount the many improvements that we have all made over the season. The members of this year's Second VIII were Bow: Sam Phillis, Two: Michael Hughes, Three: Ken Li, Four: Ronald Tran, Five: Ashley Chan, Six: Daniel Keogh, Seven: Kin Pan, Stroke: Alex Pereira, Coxswain: Alfred Xing

It has been a pleasure rowing in the Second VIII this season. We have all garnered a greater knowledge and appreciation for the sport and the improvements that we have made will serve as an excellent base for next season. I look forward to good things to come for High rowing.

Kin Pan



Second Year 10 Eight

Bow: K.Lau, 2: C.Chen, 3: P.Sim, 4: B.Zhou, 5: T.Du, 6: D.Duong, 7: J.Pharm, Stroke: A.Rong, Cox: T.Fong

Year Nine First Quad

Year Nine First Quad had a pretty exciting season. We began as an unlikely crew of unskilled rowers with great potential. After shaky selections we began training with our coach, Thomas Parker, who very quickly identified our problems. We had a new rower; Nick Phillis join the crew, as well as Tom Luo, a previous Second Quad rower. Keith Chambers, Louis Huyen and I remained from the previous First

Quad. At the end of the first session, Thomas said to us: "Boys, you have great potential, and can get somewhere really good, but you need to get signed on. You don't have to, but if you want to get somewhere, we've got to improve a lot and get somewhere real quick. And that's going to need lots of hard work and commitment"

We all went away with some decisions to make and came back, ready to row our hearts out. Our first race, the Loreto Normanhurst Regatta at SIRC,



Third Year 10 Eight

Bow: D.Tran, 2: P.Choi, 3: K.Wong, 4: B.Thai, 5: R.Tan, 6: S.Saleh 7: B.Guan, Stroke: A.Tran, Cox: S.Chung.



Year 10 Reserves

Bow: D.Chandradas, Stroke: C.Ketkeo.

showed us just how much work had to be done, so we screwed our heads on and got training. The holidays came and we trained like maniacs almost every day. We began around seven o'clock with

fitness and technique. Then as the holidays progressed, we moved onto high rate speed work. It was very intense. Then the season was back on, and our first race showed us how much we had improved. Coming from the back of the pack, we came out with a strong second in our heat and fourth overall, having an improved time of twenty five seconds. We repeated this at following regattas and ended the season on a strong note. Highlight regattas included the High regatta, the Shore regatta where we performed well and the NSW State Championships at SIRC where we performed extremely well despite a broken keel costing us a good placing. Special thanks goes to Thomas Parker for his coaching expertise, Julie Blomberg for her great work as MIC, Adrian Henning for his work on keeping the sheds running smoothly and keeping our boats in order, all our parents for being so supportive and driving us to the sheds every morning and more, Craig Phillis for his extra work behind the scenes and everyone else at the sheds for their support and help. Our great results could not have been achieved without these people.

Jesse Nixon



First Year 9 Quad

Stroke: J.Nixon, 3: T.Luo, 2: L.Huyen, Bow: N.Phillis, Cox: K.Chambers.

Year Nine Second Quad

In our second season we all knew how to row, or so we thought. Thomas Parker brought about changes: he crafted our technique into one exceeding previous standards set. These changes made our boat move faster and all of us worked together as a crew and enjoyed each other's company.

As the racing season drew closer, we all had reasonable confidence in our new found abilities. Our first race was the 'Loreto Normanhurst Regatta'. We posted a solid fifth, in a time of 3:55.08 which was a great improvement on the times that we had produced in our first season. We then had a couple of weeks to focus on the changes that we had to make and then it was time for our first GPS regatta of the season. It was hosted by the Sydney Grammar School and we found ourselves pitted against Saint Ignatius and Newington College. We produced a good race narrowly losing to Newington. Despite this loss we were still happy.

It was then time for holidays with one or two weeks off to relax before our intense training started. We came to the first session not knowing what to expect. We soon found out and we were put on a regime four to five times a week. The holidays went fast, with our main routine, being eat, sleep, row, socialise.

It was soon time for our first regatta of the New Year hosted by The Shore School. We came to this regatta not knowing what to expect, we went in with a confused, yet determined mindset, and at the end of the race were ecstatic at our result. We had come second, placing ourselves in a position to come first. We soon found out that our opposition were going to get a lot harder to beat, with us having a host of thirds, never to reach that second mark again.

Our rowing season was a season all of us would call successful thanks to some excellent coaching from Thomas Parker and dedication and persistence from our crew members we were able to turn this season into a very memorable one.

James Tinker

Year Eight First Quad

The Year Eight First Quad season has been a great one because the crew both drastically improved as rowers and also had optimistic results in our races. The members of the crew were Remington Lin as coxswain, William Chen as bow, Oliver Leftbridge as two man, Jacob Katafono as three man and myself Stuart Benjamin as stroke. With two Third places and a Second, our races have been competitive and consistent. Our coach has changed three times since the start of training in Fourth Term 2011, but we



Second Year 9 Quad

Bow: J.Tan, 2: B.Jiang, 3: J.Li, Stroke: J.Tinker, Cox: S.Ngo.



Third Year 9 Quad

Bow: C.Mao, 2: J.Malouf, 3: B.Mo, Stroke: W.Chang, Cox: S.Vakirtsis.



Fourth Year 9 Quad

Stroke: P.Mai, 3: D.Huang, 2: E.Le, Bow: V.Lin, Cox: L.Ye.



Fifth Year 9 Quad

Cox: G.Han-McEvoy, Stroke: Z.Huang, 3: J.Davis, 2: N.Song, Bow: A.Lu.



First Year 8 Quad

Cox: R.Lim, Stroke: S.Benjamin, 3: J.Katafono, 2: O.Lethbridge, Bow: W.Chen.



Second Year 8 Quad

Stroke: K.Fan, 3: W.Zhang, 2: E.Belokopytov, Bow: J.Qiu, Cox: D.Xu.



Third Year 8 Quad

Cox: J.Chen, Stroke: R.Ding, 3: H.Park, 2: R.Yuan, Bow: M.Blackall.

finally have the great coach Alex Wallace here to stay.

Our finest race was in the High regatta, when we placed Second, beating Grammar and Kings. Another memorable moment was back in 2011 when our crew rowed out to Lane Cove (six kilometres away) to enter the Gold Cup and came Third against Year Nine Third Quads. Our rowers still have a lot to learn, but we look forward to the next season and to winning some races.

Stuart Benjamin

Year Eight Third Quad

The 2011-2012 rowing season was a fantastic one for all of the Year Eight rowers. All of us trained extremely hard, becoming fitter in readiness to race. This season, even though our quad was not as successful as others, I believe we improved and became better rowers while having a lot of fun. The Year Eight Third Quad of 2012 is Manning Blackall as bow, Robert Yuan as two man, Harry Park as three man and myself as stroke. We started the season ready for the many GPS races that took place in Term One. Our coach, Pravin, trained us very hard for these races with ergs, various exercises and intense rowing sessions on the water. A highlight of the season was coming Second in the Shore School regatta, which we trained hard for. However, the

other schools must have trained hard too, as we did not do so well later on in the season. Our crew also enjoyed wearing "mad" sunglasses that boosted everyone's confidence and helped us feel like part of a team.

I would like to thank the rowing coaches, the MIC Julie Blomberg and all the parents and cooks. A special thanks to our coach, Pravin.

Richard Ding

Year Eight Fourth Quad

This season has been very enjoyable despite the lack of success in the GPS regattas. As it was our first time racing against other schools, we didn't know what to expect during racing season. Even though we didn't take any wins, we gained invaluable experience which we plan to use in the regattas in the future. Training was difficult but we kept trying our best. Our efforts were rewarded by lowering our times each week and by managing to outpace the Year Eight Third Quad at the High Regatta, an achievement we were proud of. We all had an unforgettable time at High Rowing, working hard with our mates, then treating ourselves to several mouth-watering High Burgers. All of this couldn't be



Fourth Year 8 Quad

Cox: A.Zhang, Stroke: J.Lin, 3: T.Dong, 2: J.King, Bow: J.Lu.



Fifth Year 8 Quad

Bow: D.Lim, 2: A.Shackel, 3: A.Zhu, Stroke: B.Ling, Cox: C.Han.

done without the support of Julie, the coaches and all of the parents.

The Year Eight Fourth Quad of 2012 consisted of: Bow: Joshua King, Two: Jiachen Lu, Three: Tony Dong, Stroke: Jun Lin and Coxswain: Anthony Zhang

Jun Lin

Year Eight Fifth Quad

We had an outstanding season, with many perks. We managed to place Second in SHS Regatta, even though we came last in every other regatta, regrettably due to our stern being filled with water. We rowed exceptionally well in all our races and we



Sixth Year 8 Quad

Cox: V.Luo, Stroke: D.Yan, 3: V.Oh, 2: J.Huang, Bow: E.Abergas.

never gave up. Although it was not the best season, the important thing is, we had a lot of fun rowing for SHS.

Year 8 Sixth Quad

The 2011-2012 season was one filled with highs and lows for the Sixth Quad having had many of our powerhouses and more experienced rowers move to the other quads. In our very first race, we placed Fourth out of the six quads in the race. Unfortunately, our stroke was promoted and we had a major reshuffle with rowers being demoted and

some rowers from the Seventh Quad being moved up. Eventually, we had enough rowers for two quads! Disappointingly placing last in the next three races, we eventually made some improvement in terms of erg times with our new stroke taking off 25 seconds and our two seat taking off 20 seconds. This overall solid and great season was only marred by the crashing of two boats that our quad was involved with. Our first boat took a hole in the bottom and the second one had a nasty gash on one end. All in all, a great effort from everyone!

Daniel Yam



The Barris family christen the boat



Taking a break at the rowing sheds

Swimming



Swimming Team

Back Row: L.Mah, S.Pak, J.Davis, A.Fong, Y.Man.

Second Row: J.Chee, K.Nakamura, S.Saleh, D.Mah, E.Mehmedbasic, D.Chien. **Front Row:** H.Luo, J.Qiu, G.Dzero, M.Chien, K.Kim, K.Guo, T.Zhang.

Swimming Report

The 2012 season has produced yet another year of success and improvement for the GPS swim team. The increased depth of the squad saw High swimmers in nearly every race at the GPS carnivals, and this was reflected in the quality of our relay teams, as well as the results of the overall point score, in which the junior swimmers came Fourth. This was a great improvement from previous years. In addition, six High swimmers represented the GPS at the CIS State Carnival. More swimmers progressed through to the CHS State Carnival in 2011 and the highly competitive nature of the GPS carnivals made the 2012 outcome outstanding.

Ennes Mehmedbasic, Captain of the Swimming Team

MIC Report

It was quite exciting for me to observe the increasing stature of Swimming as a GPS Sport this year. This year as we put up a twenty plus man squad while St Ignatius, Newington and Scots had

squads of over fifty boys. Some of their swimmers were performing well at State and National level and were therefore a good standard for all the other boys to compete against. All of these things excited the swimmers and gave them additional impetus to perform really well.

The effort made by all the swimmers to attend GPS Swims and to go to CHS was really laudable. Huge thanks to lots of boys who filled in at the last minute and who swam quite competitive times for High. Real thanks to our most competitive swimmers who reliably turned up every week to compete in all their age events. Thanks also to their parents who supported their sons by watching every week.

Our 2012 squad was comprised of :

Year 7 – Harvey Luo, Kevin Guo, Corey Won, Kim Kyne, (Cameron Ma, Charlie Weng, Tommy Weng and Connor Fisher).

Year 8 – Kazuo Nakamura, Jason Qiu and Jun Kurosawa.

Year 9 – Leonard Mah, James Chee, Andrew Trajcewski, (James Tinker, Jake Davis).



GPS Swimming Squad



Year 10 – Eugene Lee, Michael Sawang, Darren Chien, Michael Jun and Yu Peng Man.

Year 11 – George Dzero.

Year 12 – Ben Wilcox, Shaun Pak, Ennes Mehmedbasic (Captain) Seraj Saleh, Dominic Mah.

As you can see from this list in some years High did not have enough swimmers to make a relay team. Four really competitive swimmers are needed in each year level and some good quality extras are also needed to make the squad strong enough for the new brand of GPS Swimming Competition which is an emerging force in GPS Sport.

Stand out swimmers this year were: Harvey Luo and Kevin Guo, Kazuo Nakamura and Jason Qiu, Leonard Mah, Eugene Lee, Michael Sawang, Darren Chien, Michael Jun and Yu Peng Man.

Big thanks to the faithful stalwarts – Ben Wilcox, Ennes Mehmedbasic, Sean Pak (Vice Captain) and to on call swimmers who turned up all the time – Seraj Saleh and Dominic Mah.

Lastly, a very heartfelt thanks from me as a total rookie MIC, to the long suffering swimming parents and the senior swimmers who coached me patiently through a new experience. I would particularly like to thank Mr Guo, Mrs Chee, Mr Sawang and Mrs Lee for their kind assistance. I may have forgotten someone important – if so I apologise.

Big congratulations to Leonard Mah, Year 9, who made it into State via the GPS pathway – tried for the first time by High this year. Leonard's swimming was all the more extraordinary as he is not training any more.

Mrs Crothers

Sailing

Sailing continues to achieve at the highest levels at Sydney High, with most sailors showing improvements across a number of performance benchmarks this year. Improved sailing techniques and greater participation in the Saturday points score have combined to boost confidence levels and spur Sydney High sailors to even greater heights in all the major regattas we have competed in this year.

Saturday Point Score (Youth Series)

Improved performances by both Senior and Junior sailors resulted in Sydney High being the second best team in the Youth Series. Very consistent results from Ennes Mehmedbasic and Marcus James ranked in the top ten boats in nearly all races and saw them closely contest this series. Notable top ten finishes from Daniel Fang, David Evans and Darren Taing also put pressure on other competing schools.

Tri Series (Schools Trophy Championship)

The highlight of this Championship was that Sydney High held its first regatta as one of the tri series. It was a great success, with hopefully more to come in the future. Places were mixed, but again Ennes Mehmedbasic and David Evans showed great consistency to top our boats' results with a Sixth and Tenth place out of thirty two boats.

Australian & NSW Combined High Schools Easter Championship

The teams of mainly junior High sailors again won the Joint Coal Board Trophy and a total of two gold, four silver and four bronze CHS medals in this event for Pacers. David Evans with Angelo Yan as crew came First in his class of Pacers, Fourth in Division Four out of twenty boats and Seventeenth out of one hundred and two boats in the Australian Championships. Ennes Mehmedbasic came Second in his Laser Radial class, Fourth in the NSW CHS and Twenty-ninth in the Australian Schools Championship.

NSW Teams Racing Championship

This regatta saw us enter a "Combined" Sydney High Team consisting of both the Sydney High Boys and Girls schools. With the inclusion of Bec Loder and Lailie Walker as part of the team, we were able to improve our placing from last year and receive an invitation to the Australian Nationals in Teams racing. Our unfortunate elimination in the quarter



finals by the eventual winners (whom we had beaten in the rounds) enabled us to place Fifth out of eleven school teams and Eighth out of eighteen open teams including teams from a number of universities and sailing schools, such as the Cruising Yacht Club of Australia.

Australian National Teams Racing Championship

As this is being written, Sydney High Sailing is gearing up for our first attempt at the Australian Teams Racing National Championship in the first week of the next holidays in Melbourne.

Thanks for this improvement in our results and enthusiasm should be given to Dr Kim Jaggar for his excellent support for the programme, Mr Adam South for his excellent coaching, Mr Graham Moody for his continued support and enthusiasm as MIC and to the parents, most notably the parents on the Sailing Committee and the parents who helped organise and attend the various regattas.

Junior Sailing

This sailing season there was an increase in numbers from seventeen to over twenty members. At Saturday competitions we achieved some decent placings and we had several boats in the top ten. It was an enjoyable term for everyone and almost everybody went at least once to compete in the GPS races. Our next challenges are the Teams Races and the CHS Races which hopefully we will do well in too.



Senior Sailing

Back Row: H.Rabone, M.Delaney, C.York, W.Randles, G.Sutton, J.Edgton, T.Funston.

Second Row: Mr G.Moodie (MIC), B.Hillier, O.Long, D.Evans, M.Birch, A.Ceh, B.Daniels, J.Tsai.

Front Row: E.Wang, B.Thai, S.Du, C.Robinson, E.Mehmedbasic (Captain), M.James, T.Pilien, D.Fang, R.Irwin.



Junior Sailing

Back Row: V.Xu, E.Wu, S.Zhang, G.Lu, Y.Wang.

Second Row: Mr G.Moody (MIC), E.Lin, A.Chao, D.Nossar, C.Huang, B.Long, K.Matsumoto, T.Zhang.

Front Row: K.Andrew, D.Yan, T.Shortridge, J.Gao, D.Taing (Captain), A.Yan, D.Gordon, T.Zhang, P.Wu.

Water Polo



Open Water Polo

Back Row: M.Iskander, S.Saleh, D.Liang, M.Chan, S.Marques, H.Yu, E.Li, A.Fong, T.Chen.

Front Row: M.Chien, S.Fletcher, D.Wei, S.Pak, L.Nguyen, D.Chien, J.Ren.

First Grade

Water Polo at High has been growing ever since we re-entered the GPS competition. This year we managed to have enough players to have two teams. High entered the GPS/CAS competition and the CHS competition coming equal Second in the pool later in the year.

Our first game against Riverview was a tough one. Having just come out of a week of training, we did not expect to do so well. We managed to score a couple of goals against Riverview, the team to take out the Premiership this year. The match ended in a loss, but from there we could only get better. The next couple of weeks of training were hell with constant sprints up and down the pool.

Terror struck the team when Max Chien, one of our main drivers, had a knee injury and was out for the rest of the season. After Max's injury, we were up against St. Aloysius. We had too many losses on our hands and were determined to win this game. It was a close first quarter, with St. Aloysius up by one every time. Through to the last quarter, we exchanged goals, going into the final quarter down 4-5. A great setup from Shaun Fletcher and a bullet of a shot by

Eric Li kept us on a level playing field. We regained possession of the ball from a brilliant save by Hiram Yu and we were back on the attack. A foul at half-way to Shaun Pak led to a shot bouncing into the top right corner to take the lead 6-5. We lost focus and with our guard down two goals were scored, one in the last ten seconds. Despite losing we were proud of this game. This was possibly the best game that we played as a team.

The team reads as follows:

Mathew Chan: A great defender who was always looking for the steal rather than a foul. A great asset towards the team

Tony Chen: Another great defender always drawing the foul within the five metre zone without fail.

Darren Chien: One of our two main drivers throughout the season, always taking shots on target challenging the keeper

Max Chien: Another one of our main drivers but a knee injury prevented him from playing much of the season.

Shaun Fletcher: Best defender of the year. There is nothing more to be said. Only that he had at least one exclusion each game.



16 Years Water Polo

Back Row: W.Yeung, T.Iyer, K.Krahe, H.Suen, A.Booth, V.Prapakaran.

Front Row: K.Yu, G.Chen, A.Feng, D.Wei, W.Zhao, R.Hua, E.Xu.

Andrew Fong: Great in the midfield often back in the defence and when up for the attack, always scoring a goal.

Mark Iskander: A new comer to the 2011-12 season, he truly earned his position as a key defender and improved drastically every week

Eric Li: When he has the strength to get up to attack, he will take a shot and score, often bulleting past the keeper.

Sam Marques: Turning up to training every week determined to improve his shooting even if it meant staying back after training to practise.

Jonathan Ren: One of the most brutal defenders I have seen without getting any exclusions. Also a newcomer this season, he maintained his position on the team.

Serag Saleh: Always keen on scoring a goal.

Daniel Wei: Has stoically worked to improve his confidence in the water

Hiram Yu: One of the greatest keepers, always putting his body on the line. He saved many penalties, which are usually guaranteed goals.

I would like to thank Lachlan Hollis our coach for coming every Wednesday and vacating a lane at

University of Sydney on Friday mornings. He truly inspired us to do well and aim for a win. I would like to congratulate him on making the London 2012 Olympic starting squad. I would also like to thank Ms Davis, our MIC, for her constant effort organising training and being there without fail every Saturday for our games.

Shaun Pak

Sixteens

The season for Sixteens water polo started off well, with an influx of new players and more training sessions. Throughout our competitive season we improved drastically as a team. Our highlight game was against St Joseph's where the scores remained tight until the very end when St Joseph's managed to pull ahead. Despite our losses, we were able to improve not only our communication skills, but we grew stronger both physically and mentally. We became better athletes and we must thank Ms Davis and Lachlan, our coach, for supporting us at every training session and on Saturdays. Thank you to all the First Grade players, who helped us when our numbers were down. A special mention goes to Daniel Wei, who managed to play two games a week.

Daniel Wei (Captain) and Eric Xu (vice-captain)



14 Years Water Polo

Back Row: A.Jiang, I.Lai, M.Wu, B.Fu, J.Zhang, W.Beare, B.Zhao, N.Yin, K.Michael.

Front Row: H.Luo, J.Szeto, J.Ng, S.Zhang, J.Tjahjokusumo, R.Luo, N.Quan.

Winter Sports Assembly

Special guest Mr Mark Hughes, players, coaches, staff, parents, students – welcome to our Winter Sports Assembly for 2012. 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, and to any Aboriginal people here today.

I am pleased to come to a Winter Sports Assembly with a feeling that as a school we are slowly coming to terms with the changed environment of GPS competition. The whole organisation of sport in our member schools has shifted up a gear. The Corinthian days are over. The culture change has permeated from As down as far as E's and F's in some GPS schools. We can no longer just attend Wednesday or Thursday sport and turn up on Saturday for our games. Such an attitude just won't do. Our chances of being competitive in any match, in any sport, at any level will be diminished by the amount of the training gap between us and our competitors. The Sports Council, as a committee of the School Council, has developed a draft SBHS Sports Policy for discussion by school governance groups, staff, students and parents. It is my hope that the directions of the policy are embraced by the wider school community and that its details are discussed in a public forum over the next few weeks so that its philosophy and purpose are understood by our community.

Cross country running has become quite a high participation sport I am pleased to see. A selection policy applies and only 100 students can be accepted. It is a welcome boost to the demanding activity. Thank you to Rebecca Dam for her organisation of the sport and to Messrs Kesting and Bigelow for their involvement in its operation. Fencing is becoming stronger and more diversified with the benefit of its own base in the COLA, the availability of intensive training at UNSW and due to the influence of elite coach Antonio Signorello. More of our boys seem to be medalling now with the added disciplines of epee and sabre. Thank you to Jenni May for her ongoing management of fencing and to Ben Wilcock and Cheryl Chan for their assistance with coaching.

Volleyball continues to be very strong, as showcased by its recent CHS Knockout win and unbroken string of GPS victories. Thank you Michael

Kay, his coaching staff and Marina Trompetter, for making the program such an icon of High winter sport for the last decade. Thank you to Cathy Meaney, Daniel Comben, Sam Kremer, the SBHS Rifle Committee and the Sydney High Rifle Club Inc for the continued success of the High target rifle shooting program. Given the disruption to our program occasioned by the closure of the range at Malabar, our recent co-Premiership is a tribute to the resilience of our boys and the strength of the organisation of the sport.

Our rugby program has been strengthened this year with the appointment of Simon Kacimaiwai as Head Coach and George Barris as MIC. I want to thank staff managers of teams: Messrs Cipolla, Pavone, Hannon, Barris, Scrivener and Stein. The coaching support for our boys is impressive. Mick Aldous and David Knox bring a wealth of knowledge and experience to the program, backed up by the efforts of a dozen Old Boys coaches. Spare a thought today for Marco Stojanovik who suffered a serious injury late in the Second XV trial game last Saturday and is still in a High Dependency unit in hospital. His experience reinforces how much we have to stick to routines of looking after each other in team sports – before, during and after the game. Let's hope his recovery is rapid and complete.

Association Football has seen some changes this year. Under new MIC Matt Mulrone, the GPS competition program has moved to UNSW's David Phillips complex with the advantage of an all-weather synthetic pitch. Mehdi Hazrati has returned to coach the First XI with Ian Robinson taking major responsibility for Second Grade. It is a shame that football and rugby cannot all be at McKay but we have had no luck in our ongoing attempts to have McKay 4 refurbished to an appropriate standard. Thank you to our football staff, including Victor Jauregui-Fernandez as Junior Football Coordinator / Assistant Coach, Julie Eggleton, Evan Higgins, Jamie Kay, Mina Genias and Ingrid Hybler for their commitment to Football.

Today I want you to consider how teams are built and tested. In the 2006 World Cup, Australia played very well against tournament favourites Italy in their round of 16 games and were gearing up for extra time when Grosso penetrated the box and Lucas Neill tried to block his cross but left his feet in. Doing

so allowed Grosso to fall over and gain what was a very controversial penalty. Australia's loss was hard for the team to bear, particularly because it had built up so much momentum. Lucas Neill recounts: "We put in unbelievably passionate performances and other supporters were saying they wished their team had that much pride and enthusiasm for the game, and no fear, and enjoyed being there". The

lesson here is that even obvious underdogs can overachieve if the team develops self-belief, passion and a fearless desire to compete. I know the building blocks for such spirit are hard work and mutual support. Play hard, play in the spirit of the game, but above all, be there for your team. Congratulations to all boys selected in GPS teams this season.

Athletics

The 2012 GPS Athletics season marked a significant change in the direction of athletics at High with the departure of long standing MIC Robert Devlin. With the GPS season being moved back to the end of summer sports, the creation of an entirely separate Intermediate Division, consisting of the 15 and 16 age groups, and the transition to a new MIC this season has been unlike any other that I have experienced. Regardless of these disruptions and changes, the athletics team was determined to build on the successes of previous years and send off Mr Devlin with the best results possible.

Training for the short and intense athletics season began in early December, with Coach Josh Tassell leading a small cohort of passionate athletes in off season training sessions at ES Marks. Proper training began as soon as the summer sports season finished, and was aided by the introduction of compulsory athletics by Mr Devlin for all students in this period, allowing boys to have a go at the sometimes daunting array of athletic events and

specialities. Despite difficulties in attending training sessions, Mr Devlin continued to have an essential impact on the organisation of the athletics program, coordinating with Coach Josh Tassell to produce an effective and intense training regime. Unfortunately, due to the short nature of the athletics season, there are only a few opportunities for athletes to compete against competition in the lead up to the all-important AAGPS Athletics Championships at Homebush in May. Despite the limited opportunities, High athletes grabbed at the chance to represent their school and frequently had the biggest team at the invitationals, a remarkable feat and a testament to the growing interest in the sport.

On the day of the AAGPS Championships, High did not disappoint and gave it everything they had. The Junior team met with fierce competition from more disciplined GPS schools and struggled to secure top placements throughout the day, though promising young talent Kevin Huo finished Third in the U13 High Jump. There was a wide array of Fifth and Sixth





Athletics

Back Row: V.Ho, P.Upatising, P.Krakovski, V.Ye, S.Comninos, D.Keogh, I.Metcalf, S.Musgrove, A.Brokman, E.Zhang, D.Mah.

Third Row: J.Tinker, S.Chung, E.Zhou, A.Nadir, N.Song, N.Anson, B.Jin, L.Mah, H.Heo, D.Goh, W.Chang.

Second Row: W.Chen, E.Xu, J.Leo, B.Hancox, M.Iskandar, E.Lee, O.Meroni, A.Fu, B.Amromin, S.Vatandoust, W.Chen, W.Du.

Front Row: C.Chang, R.Gu, B.Lin, L.Wong, A.Booth (Vice Captain), S.Renzenbrink (Captain), H.Bartley, C.Nguyen, Y.Kulasinghe, P.Dang, L.Hoad.

places in the Junior division, and with earlier preparation and greater attention to the coaching provided over the next few years results will improve. The creation of the new Intermediate division proved somewhat problematic for us as we could no longer rely on standout performances from the 16 years to bolster the Senior team point score. Anton Brokman selflessly ran up an age group to finish an admirable Third in the U17 800m Championship, an excellent example of the mentality that our athletes had on the day to do what was necessary to increase point scores.

The Senior team had high hopes for this year's carnival, aiming to improve on last year's Fifth place in overall points and send Mr Devlin off in the best position possible. The Hurdles yet again showcased the effectiveness of Mr and Mrs Morrow's excellent training regime with Dominic Mah running an impressive race in the U17 Hurdles Division to secure Third place and standout performer Ivor Metcalfe dominating every competition he competed in. Ivor's dedication to training and professionalism showed in each of his races,

securing First Places in Opens Long Jump, Opens High Jump and the U17 Hurdles Championship. The relay teams again showed great promise this year, especially in the senior division. Arguably in the best race of the day, the Opens Relay team, consisting of Andrew Fong, Mark Iskandar, Allen Fu and myself, just missed out on First Place by 0.05 seconds, finishing a very tight Second in a nail-biting finish.

In terms of overall points score, both the Junior and Intermediate teams finished Eighth with the Senior team finishing in Fifth place, a commendable result and a great way to send off Mr Devlin. Although many were dismayed with the results at this year's GPS Carnival younger athletes should not be discouraged; use this as a motivating force for the coming athletics season to try and propel yourself to greater results. With hard work and disciplined training you will achieve those top placements.

Notably, High athletes also performed extremely well this year in non-GPS athletics events such as the CHS competition, the 'School Relays' and the annual 'NSW Schools Knockout' Athletics Competition.

High again showed its dominance at the Zone level of CHS Competition, with most of our athletes easily placing qualifying times and heights for Regionals despite the terrible rain and wind that was present on the day. Competition heated up at Regionals, although notable performances by Ivor Metcalf in the jumps and hurdles events, Anton Brokman in the distance events, the U13 and U15 4x100m relay teams and Scott Renzenbrink in the sprint events secured a good representation of High at the NSW CHS State Finals held in early September.

The State Finals are the highest level of CHS competition in athletics and a great opportunity to show the talent and determination that High athletes are known for. Nine SBHS athletes, along with the U13 and U15 4x100m Relay teams, progressed from the Regional carnival and represented High with exceptional character on the day, regardless of what place they finished up. In the junior age groups Ray Gu came Fifth in the U12 200m, Ervin Zhou streaked home to an equal Third Place in the U13 90m hurdles, Luke Hoad managed an admirable Eighth Place in the U15 800m, especially when considering he was still recovering from an illness that had hampered him throughout the GPS season, and the U13 4x100m Relay finished Fifth in the finals. In the senior age groups, Pete Upatising jumped an equal Sixth in the U16 Long Jump, Allen Fu finished Eleventh in the U17 Shot Put, Scott Renzenbrink finished Fourth in the 17+ 100m and First in the 17+ 200m. Ivor Metcalfe again demonstrated his magnificent athletic talent by repeating his impressive feats in the 2011 Finals by winning the 17+ Long Jump, High Jump, Triple Jump and effortlessly winning the Hurdles. Congratulations to all athletes who performed in the carnival, to even



make it to that stage of the competition is extremely difficult and you have made your school proud.

Results in the 'School's Relays' competition were disappointing, as the injury plagued High team struggled on the day to compete against other schools. However, the team redeemed itself in the 'School Knockouts' competition with strong performances from all Divisions of competition, especially the Senior team which qualified for Nationals. This is a great result and athletes should continue to build on the momentum that has been built this year by continuing to attend training sessions even in the off season and work hard to improve their physical fitness.

I would personally like to thank all those involved with the program that made this terrific season possible, without your support we could not have achieved the great results we have this year nor hope to next year.

Scott Renzenbrink
Captain of Athletics 2012

GPS Athletics

The following placings were achieved at the Annual GPS meeting on Fifth May 2012

Name	Place	Event	Effort
Kevin Huo	3	Jump U13 CHAMP	1.48m
Ivor Metcalf	1	Long Jump OPEN CHAMP	6.88m
Anton Brokman	3	800 Meter Run U17 CHAMP	1:58.53m
Dominic Mah	3	110 Meter Hurdles U17 DIV	15.68s
Ivor Metcalf	1	110 Meter Hurdles U17 CHAMP	14.30 R
Ivor Metcalf	1	High Jump OPEN CHAMP	1.91m
Scott Renzenbrink	1	200 Meter Run OPEN CHAMP	22.28s
Scott Renzenbrink	2	100 Meter Run OPEN CHAMP	11.18s
Andrew Fong, Scott Renzenbrink, Mark Iskandar & Allen Fu	2	4x100 Meter Relay OPEN CHAMP	43.99s

Annual Athletics Carnival Results

EVENT	FIRST	SECOND	THIRD	TIME/DIST
12 YEARS				
100 M	Lucas Wong	Ray Gu	Flidon Wang	13.68s
200 M	Lucas Wong	Ray Gu	Flidon Wang	28.71s
400 M	Sabesh Murugananthan	Ymer Bushati	Charlie Weng	1'23.36m
800 M	Sabesh Murugananthan	Harrison Li	Razmi Ahamed	3'12.55m
90 Hurdles	Jaspar McCahon-Boersma	Lucas Wong	Sabesh Murugananthan	17.81s
High Jump	Ray Gu	Lucas Wong	Sabesh Murugananthan	1.29m
Long Jump	Lucas Wong	David Zhang	Jaspar McCahon-Boersma	4.04m
Shot Put	Ray Gu	Roy Yi	Jaspar McCahon-Boersma	9.36m
House Relay	Rubie	Fairland	Eedy	62.08s
Champion	Lucas Wong			
13 YEARS				
100 M	Ervin Zhou	Thien Dang	Dylan Goh	13.36s
200 M	Thien Dang	Dylan Goh	Matthew Yuan	27.27s
400 M	Nafis Rahman	Dylan Goh	Chris Chang	1'08.20m
800 M	Chris Chang	Nafis Rahman	Ray Zhang	2'46.99m
90 Hurdles	Ervin Zhou	Jimmy Yip	Wanyu Tang	15.15s
High Jump	Darren Fung	Kevin Guo	Tiger Li	1.3m
Discuss	Harishaan Puvanenthiran	Connor Fisher	Fayed Morshedi	20.39m
Javelin	Garry Huang	Wanyu Tang	Connor Fisher	23.05m
Long Jump	Thien Dang	Darren Fung	Fayed Morshedi	4.67m
Shot Put	Daniel Wang	Andrew Li	Ervin Zhou	9.19m
House Relay	Eedy	Mckay	Saxby	57.30s
Champion	Nafis Rahman			
14 YEARS				
100 M	Bovan Lin	Rick Saha	Calvin Zhou	12.33s
200 M	Bovan Lin	Rick Saha	William Chang	26.27s
400 M	William Chang	James Cai	William Chen	1'01.08m
800 M	James Tinker	William Chen	William Chang	2'26.12m
1500 M	William Chen	James Tinker	William Chang	4'58.00m
100 Hurdles	Chris Lee	Ian Chang	James Cai	15.18s
High Jump	Chris Lee	Kevin Robinson	Anthony Wu	1.45m
Discuss	Oliver Lethbridge	Jason Hong	Anthony Yu	21m
Javelin	William Chen	Jerry Gek	Marshall Wang	25.21m
Long Jump	Ian Chang	Calvin Zhou	Johnson Tran	5.16m
Shot Put	Sama Malolo	William Chang	Jacob Katafono	9.71m
House Relay	Eedy	Fairland	Mckay	53.24s
Champion	William Chang			

15 YEARS

100 M	Leonard Mah	Joshua Leo	Daniel Zhang	11.8s
200 M	Leonard Mah	Joshua Leo	Brendan Hancox	24.2s
400 M	Joshua Leo	Brendan Hancox	William Du	0'58.08s
800 M	Joshua Leo	Wesley Beare	Adilmorad Nadir	2'28.77m
1500 M	Joshua Leo	Luke Hoad	Adilmorad Nadir	5'09.00m
100 Hurdles	Eatrend Wang	Joshua Leo	Carl Yang	16.3s
High Jump	Boris Amromin	Lokgei Lee	Joshua Leo	1.55m
Discuss	Neil Song	Sam Musgrove	Tushaar Garg	25.4m
Javelin	James Chee	Eatrend Wang	Boris Amromin	22.56m
Long Jump	Anthony Chen	William Wu	James Chee	5.34m
Triple Jump	Eatrend Wang	Boris Amromin	Adilmorad Nadir	11.12m
Shot Put	Leonard Mah	Sam Musgrove	Jimmy Zhou	11.68m
House Relay	Rubie	Mckay	Fairland	50.20s
Champion	Joshua Leo			

16 YEARS

100 M	Dominic Mah	Terence Pham	Pete Upatising	11.60s
200 M	Dominic Mah	Byron Chen	Eugene Lee	23.23s
400 M	Anton Brokman	Eugene Lee	Dominic Mah	0'56.80s
800 M	Anton Brokman	Eugene Lee	Ned Anson	2'20.05m
1500 M	Anton Brokman	Ned Anson	Eugene Lee	4'36.00m
110 Hurdles	Dominic Mah	Pete Upatising	Jet Gill Lee	13.7s
High Jump	Dominic Mah	Mitchell Flynn	James Baraceros	1.6m
Discuss	Sam Phillis	James Pham	Steve Comninos	24.75m
Javelin	Terence Pham	Nicholas Vlatko	Brendan Guan	30.7m
Long Jump	Pete Upatising	Byron Chen	James Baraceros	5.71m
Triple Jump	Byron Chen	Eugene Lee	James Baraceros	12.03m
Shot Put	Sam Phillis	Steve Comninos	Eugene Lee	11.04m
House Relay	Eedy	Rubie	Mckay	49.99s
Champion	Eugene Lee			

OPENS

100 M	Scott Renzenbrink	Ivor Metcalf	Mark Iskandar	11.2s
200 M	Scott Renzenbrink	Ollie Meroni	Mark Iskandar	22.74s
400 M	Daniel Keogh	Eamon Kelly	Jonathan Clements-Lendrum	0'56.14s
800 M	Adam Booth	Jonathan Clements-Lendrum	Lloyd Perris	2'08.90m
1500 M	Adam Booth	Jim Koukouras	Gary Liang	4'27.00m
110 Hurdles	Ivor Metcalf	Adam Booth\Patrick Krakovsky	Jesse Moffat	14.18m
High Jump	Ivor Metcalf	Harry Heo	Patrick Krakovsky	2m
Discuss	Ben Wilcox	Scott Renzenbrink	Dennis Duong	22.81m
Javelin	Patrick Krakovsky	Benjamin Laird	Eric Li	37.23m
Long Jump	Ivor Metcalf	Harry Heo	Scott Renzenbrink	6.3m
Triple Jump	Ivor Metcalf	Patrick Krakovsky	Mark Iskandar	12.38m
Shot Put	Allen Fu	Eamon Kelly	Scott Renzenbrink	13.34m
House Relay	Mckay	Torrington	Saxby	47.40s
Champion	Scott Renzenbrink			

Rugby



First Fifteen

Back Row: D.Keogh, T.Connolly, B.Wilcox, T.Montanaro, O.Duffy, J.Garay, T.Hughes.

Second Row: S.Wang, J.Jian, J.Moffat, S.Conninos, A.Wu, J.Edgton.

Front Row: J.Wang, E.Lee, Dr K.A.Jaggar (Principal), D.Andrews (Captain), Mr S.Kacimaiwa (Coach), Y.Shi, C.Chhoeu.

First XV

It was a challenging season for the First XV of 2012. With a reshuffle of the fixtures with both Armidale and Grammar, we had been moved to the inaugural official Third Grade Competition. A move that, although a step backwards, was appropriate for the rebuilding of High rugby. With pre-season meetings and training starting late February headed by our newly appointed First XV coach Mr Simon Kacimaiwai, we set out to be well prepared for the start of the trial games. A new addition to the High rugby calendar this year was the senior rugby breakfast and the presentation of the First XV jerseys. This allowed us to bond as a team before we took on our first trial game. The guest speaker, Mr Andrew Blades, a former Wallaby and now assistant coach with the Wallabies, provided some excellent words of wisdom and observations from his rugby career. This event was a great time for everyone and I hope to see it become a tradition for future First XV's to experience.

The trial season proved to be very tough, playing some strong teams and injuries to some of our key

players forcing us to chop and change many of the positions throughout the team. A new fixture this year saw us travel up to Bathurst for the day to play St Stanislaus College. Although we were met with a loss against a well drilled St Stanislaus team, the day was a new and interesting experience for the team and all the boys involved in rugby. As always, the Armidale trip is a highlight of the rugby program, spending the weekend with your mates, playing rugby and supporting the other school teams. While the game ended with a loss, the score was not an accurate reflection of the effort the team put in, with Tom Hughes making some particularly good tackles and ball steals and Tom Connolly giving quick, clean ball to our backs under pressure throughout the game. Possibly one of my most memorable games of rugby was the trial match against the Sydney Grammar First XV. The appalling weather conditions at Weigall made for a very muddy, close quarters rucking match. The competitive score at the final whistle against their First XV side was a very promising sign and led us in high spirits into the official competition games.

Our first competition game against Newington was



Second Fifteen

Back Row: L.Zhong, M.Ekengard, R.Dewan, B.McGlenchy, E.Zhang, K-Y.Wong.

Second Row: D.Bui, W.Ma, A.Wei, J.Li, J.Zhu, A.Hughes, W.Chang, T.Li.

Front Row: M.Chao, N.Tang, W.Cen, O.Kirk (Captain), W.Cen, T.Pharm, C.Ketkeo.



Third Fifteen

Back Row: L.Day, S.Sivayogarayan, K.Kuang, B.McGlenchy, E.Li, K-Y.Wong.

Third Row: Y.Wu, W.Choi, W.Yuan, J.Zhu, E.Zhang, D.Liang, G.Gerlach.

Second Row: Mr A.Cipolla (Coach), J.Chung, J.Gao, D.Vo, T.Chen, C.Oei, A.Wei, W.Chang, T.Li.

Front Row: B.He, D.Tam, J.Vuong, T.Hang, A.Hughes, W.Cen, M.Paradeza, M.Chao, R.Xi.

a spectacular display of rugby. Donning the official blue and brown, we went out to show that we can compete at that level of competition. It is hard to



David Andrews in action

find the right words to encapsulate the feeling of slipping on the First XV jersey and running out onto Mackay, but it certainly inspires a strong sense of pride in yourself, your teammates and the school. The match started out spectacularly with a lineout won by our forwards on the first set play, giving fast ball to our outside centre Tom Hughes who ran straight through the Newington defence for sixty metres to score the first try. The match swung in Newington's favour when they scored a try and conversion towards the end of the first half. The second half was met with fierce ruck play and defence from both sides, but with Newington having multiple tackle infringements leading to a few players being sent off, the High defence prevailed. The second try for High came from Jasper Garay. In his first game since a shoulder injury from last season, Jasper achieved a spectacular intercept from Newington's back line on our own twenty two, running all the way to score under the posts. With the forward momentum, Jasper went on to score the final try from a quick chip and chase off loose play down the blind side by Tom Connolly. The games fate was sealed when Owen Duffy scored the conversion; the final score being High seventeen, Newington seven.

Our last and most special game of the season was the age-old rival match between High and Grammar. With the memory of the previous trial game in the back of our minds, we were more determined than ever to get out on top. The atmosphere at the match was amazing, especially with the cheers of the High crowd in full force during such moments as when Andrew Wu scored a try or when Ben Wilcox put a huge hit on the Grammar receiver off the kick off. This support of the crowd can be incredibly uplifting for you and your team, aiding you in playing your best and going beyond. With only two tries between the teams at full time, I walked away not disappointed or upset, but satisfied, and proud of our efforts that game.

The opens rugby together has had a lot of assistance from the coaching staff this year and I would like to personally thank all that were involved. Our newly appointed master in charge of rugby, Mr Barris, has put in a huge effort with sports master Mr Pavone to make sure our program is well organised and we have the support and equipment we need. While having only been here for a short time, head coach Mr Kacimaiwai has already brought to High rugby new ideas and changes ensuring our training sessions were very productive and that we got

maximum results out on the paddock in our games. Thank you to our backs coaches Sam Gribble and Pat McDonnell for their efforts coaching us throughout the season. Thankyou also to former Wallaby, David Knox, for his skills coaching and Mr Tony Hannon for filming our games each week so we may analyse our plays and further improve our game. And of course, thank you to Jason Tassel, Kurt Rich and Bill Wang for strength and conditioning. Finally, I would like to thank the Rugby Committee and parents for the countless hours they put in, raising money from parking and canteens, running our camps, barbecues and afternoon teas and supporting the rugby program in so many ways.

David Andrews

Second Grade

This year the Seconds had a bit of a rough season. We had a strong performance in the trial against Grammar, leading 5-0 for the early part of the game, before eventually losing 24-14. In the last trial game Marco Stojanovik was out for the rest of the season with a ruptured spleen, a tough loss as our team was already struggling for numbers. A couple of players from Thirds stepped up and by the start of the GPS season, we were more or less ready to go.



16A Fifteen

Back Row: T.Chung, K.Chen, S.Comninos, J.Jiang, J.Norman, N.Anson.

Second Row: Mr M.Pavone (Coach), E.Li, G.Chen, G.Lu, A.Dao, A.Feng, J.Wang, A.Joseph.

Front Row: K.Lau, M.Liu, P.Chen, M.Chang (Captain), J.Zhang, A.Qi, H.Lam.



Jesse Moffat in action

We came out pumped and ready to go for the first non-trial game against Newington and managed to start off the season with a win, four tries to two. This had us excited for the rest of the season until learning they were probably the weakest team in the competition. A lack of numbers in our game against St Ignatius hit us hard, with only eleven players turning up resulting in a disappointing loss. The next weeks saw us receive more tough losses against Shore, Kings and Joeys. These losses were not a case of being outclassed. They were more to do with dropping our heads when things started to go a little wrong.

We got fired up for the last two games of the season against Scots and Grammar after some inspiring words. We knew these teams would not be exceptional and if we turned up ready to play and worked hard we would give them a run for their money. That weekend was our last home game of the season against Scots. We came out hard and aggressive but managed to go down twelve-zero early on. Some aggressive play saw us come right back into the game with a try down the sideline from Jerry, making the score twelve-seven. Three minutes later we were down on their line again and after pushing for a while, Jerry crossed again off a strong backline move and evened the score twelve-twelve. A rush of blood from Don saw them score before the break. We came out a bit tired in the second half and soon the score stretched out to

thirty one – twelve with three minutes left. We quickly got the ball down their end and Lawrence got over in the corner to make the score thirty one – seventeen. Off the kick off, we immediately got on the attack again and Lawrence crashed over again for his second, with the conversion making it thirty one – twenty four. It was looking like a South Sydney style comeback was on the cards. But Scots held out and the score did not change.

That big effort had everyone pumped for the last game against Grammar. Again we came out hard and fought the whole game but they had improved throughout the season and we came out with a disappointing final loss of fifty three – five. The season saw great improvement to many players, such as Marcus moving into the forwards and proving to be rock solid at the pillar post, Jerry coming up from the 15C's to play in the forwards and Lawrence stepping up to become the strongest forward in our line-up.

A big thanks to Pat and Gribbs for turning up every week and to all the players who stepped up to cover for us every week.

Oliver Kirk

16A

The 2012 footy season saw uncertainty in the balance of power both internally within the team and externally with the GPS. In the winter of 2012, perennial free agents in the name of Eugene Lee, Steve Comninos and Jimmy Wang tested free-agency and decided to take their talents to the First Grade side. Rapid roster changes gave bench warmers quality minutes within the 16A's side. The 16A's side was relegated to playing B-Grade and C-Grade teams all season.

Even though many of our players had either gone down to play 16C's or up to play in a grade team, our team experienced further setbacks due to injuries with Anoj Joseph gone due to a career ending MCI tear. Despite our side having so many roster changes throughout the season I felt that the team embodied "High Spirit" better than any other team that I have ever seen or played with. We never gave up and always dug deep, willing to go the hard yards and apply one hundred and ten percent, be it by screaming on line defence or getting up off the ground despite excruciating pain. In games against powerhouse teams such as Joeys and Shore we



16B Fifteen

Back Row: C.Choi, H.Xu, S.Cheng, S.Bell, B.Zhou, T.Chung.

Third Row: J.Phan, K.Liu, M.Flynn, J.Lu, K.Ho, R.Tan, M.Zhang.

Second Row: A.Tran, B.Guan, J.Tang, B.Vu, W.Liu, A.Chen, D.Zhang, D.Vuong.

Front Row: A.Xing, D.Saggar, R.Fang, C.Shi (Captain), S.Lin, E.Ou, K.Pan.



15A Fifteen

Back Row: M.Hamilton, T.Luo, S.Musgrove, B.Xie, B.Jiang.

Second Row: Mr C.W.Barris (Coach), R.Yi, J.Nixon, K.Lu, D.Duong, A.Yuan, A.Han, Mr A.M.Hannon (Coach).

Front Row: J.Tan, D.Ahn, J.Tinker, J.Leo (Captain), D.Zhang, A.Chen, H.Gu.

would come up short during crunch time, but after every game I knew that many of our boys had left everything on the field.

I do not remember much of the games because I always got concussed. For me the best part of being part of 16A's Rugby is not what happens on the field, but the bonds and friendships that occur off it, with players, coaches, parents and staff. So thank you boys, Mr Pavone and Ben Stamati for a great season.

Michael Chang

16B

The 16B's displayed continual improvement throughout the 2012 winter season with a mix of highs and lows. The team finished off the season with only three wins with an injury-riddled squad. The performance of the 16B's cannot be solely justified by the numbers and results but rather the efforts of the players.

The initial poor results in the season exemplified the importance of star players Dhruv Saggar, Sunny

Cheng, Brendan Guan and Samuel Lin who were sidelined by serious injuries. With the guidance and words of Coach Bill Wang the 16B's displayed their true potential in a gutsy win against St Ignatius College. Our much improved defence solidified their offensive game with increased possession and space. The team's backline strength and skill shone throughout the game with crisp passes from halfback and five-eighth combination Charlie Shi and Mitchell Flynn and hard running from centres Kenneth Ho and Timothy Chung.

This victory endured in future confrontations especially in repeated wins against the Shore School. With the return of stars Sunny Cheng and Dhruv Saggar the 16B's side triumphantly defeated Shore with a formidable forward pack led by the duo. Consistent performances by Stefan Bell and Lasith De Fonseka ensured that the team gained metres with every phase. The team's progression from the start of the season was a testament to an improved cohesion and commitment amongst the players.



15B Fifteen

Back Row: J.Zhou, J.Hutchinson, B.Tran.

Second Row: Mr S.Lou (Coach), M.Jun, B.Chan, B.Amromin, B.Dang, Z.Hung.

Front Row: N.Wang-Ly, J.Vo, A.So (Captain), N.Bari, K.Jin, G.Chen.

As always, High's rivalry against Grammar guaranteed a quality contest. The loss of big-hitter Timothy Chung tested the 16B's character and skill. In the early going High struggled with possession resulting in increased pressure from the Grammar side. In the later stages of the first half the 16B's surmounted a courageous comeback led by the pace of outside centre, Kenneth Ho. Heading out in the second half of the contest, the High side was weakened with injuries to Stefan Bell. The six foot four giant was sorely missed, with the opposition forward pack dominating the rucks and scrums. This led to three unanswered tries for twenty three minutes. In the final play High ran over the line with a tremendous backline play albeit the outcome was already decided.

The progression and evolution of the team consequently developed more than just the players' relationship on the field. Friendships and bonds were established aboard the journey led by Head Coach Bill Wang and Assistant Coach Gareth Deacon. The unity of all the boys will be cherished forever.

Charlie Shi

15B

The 2012 season of Rugby for the 15B's would be the final season for long time and dedicated Coach Samson Lou, and as such each player knew what was at stake throughout the season. From the opening game against St. Pius, High improved consistently and noticeably with each game, gaining wins against St. Pius, Shore, St. Josephs, Kings and Barker, with the focal point of the season coming in the last game against a formidable Grammar side. Under immense pressure and high expectations, the 15B's utilised strong forwards and quick hands to finally secure a victory in what was, undoubtedly, the best game that the 15B's age group had played for three years. Under strong play of Brian Chan, Niyazul Bari, Michael Jun, Bosco Tran and Benjamin Dang the 15B's had one of the most successful seasons of all teams, bringing a suitable finish for the omnipresent coach Samson Lou.

Alex So



15C Fifteen

Back Row: D.Musulin, J.Jung, J.Zhou, J.Maloof.

Second Row: Mr S.Lou (Coach), D.Hujang, N.Song, B.Amromin, Z.Hung, Mr M.Wong (Coach).

Front Row: S.Ngo, D.Chandradas, L.Hoad, T.Nassif (Captain), B.Kong, M.Wu, G.Chen.



14A Fifteen

Back Row: B.Jian, J.Katafono, T.Zhang, A.McCaffery, W.Chong.

Second Row: Mr G.Barris (Coach), H.Zhao, S.Sethi, J.Nguyen, J.Li, S.Malolo, O.Lethbridge, R.Saha (Captain).

Front Row: A.Zhang, E.Belokopytov, A.Pham, Y.Kulasinghe, S.Qiu, S.Benjamin, E.Hall.



14B Fifteen

Back Row: W.Chang, J.Lu, J.Hong.

Second Row: C.Han, C.Wilson, H.Zhou, K.Luu, L.Ye, A.Taing.

Front Row: D.Gordon, V.Luo, K.Phan, A.Shackel (Captain), J.Song, V.Oh, A.Joshi.



15C

The 15C Rugby team had an inspiring season, never dreaming that we would finish the season undefeated. Our success can be put down to two things; great teamwork and some individual brilliance from players such as star winger Bailey Muslin and bustling centre Boris Amromin.

When the game was in the balance all the boys stepped up and, with one of the best defensive performances of the year, managed to win our final fixture against Scots by just two points after Bailey intercepted a pass and ran the length of the field to edge us into the lead.

Thank you to parents and all the players who stayed back to both play with us.

Thomas Nassif

14A

We started the season ready for the competition after a tough previous season. This team saw the new addition of Oliver Lethbridge, Yoshika Kulasinge and Sama Malolo, all proving useful in their positions. We had a strong start to this season with a win against St Pius X. This was followed by a disappointing loss against St Stanislaus due to poor decision-making and being outnumbered on the wing. Coming back from Bathurst (St Stanislaus) we intensified our training sessions, determined to address our flaws before the start of the GPS Season. Although we played with good spirits in the Grammar trial, they outplayed us with their larger, well-drilled backline. The last trial game saw us completely overwhelm the Scots team with structured gameplay, winning forty five - seven

Starting the official GPS season with great confidence from our last win, we went in to play Newington College. Passing the ball wide, we soon found many exploitable gaps in their defence. We took these opportunities, coming out on top with a thirty two-zero victory. Star Qiu began the first in the many of his inspirational tackles. In the St Ignatius game we had to work a lot harder in defence. Due to our constant pressure, the St Ignatius side were forced to kick the ball. This forced us to have a loose line in defence and St Ignatius exploited this, scoring twice in the same fashion. We continued to fight with Anthony Zhang setting up an excellent try for Star Qiu. This match ended with us losing by a mere two tries.

The next match was against the Shore School. With our solid rucking and ball security we took the game thirty two – nil. The game against Kings was disorienting, to say the least. This was the game that 'just' slipped away. Having spent the first fifteen minutes in the opposition twenty two metre, we failed to score even once due to bad ball security. Then the injuries came and with this, our backline fell apart. Yoshika Kulasinge tried his best at holding it together, not missing any tackles at fullback. The end result was a ten-twelve loss, the margin being a mere conversion. We went out of this game knowing we could have played a lot better, missing many opportunities. Coming up against a powerful St Josephs' team, we were eager to redeem ourselves. With a few positional changes, we executed our backline handling very well. Oliver Lethbridge scored two tries due to his great vision for gaps. For much of the time however, we were forced to defend on our line. We handled this exceptionally well with a well-structured defensive line. Our win was secured when Sama ran straight through the opposition to score one of his numerous tries this season. A questionable try wrapped up the game with us leading seventeen-fourteen. This game was followed by another win against the previously played Scots team. This time we managed to keep them scoreless at forty two-nil. In the final match against Grammar; the match we had looked forward to all season, we were able to exhibit all that we had learned throughout the season, playing a strong and fundamental game. We ended the season fighting, scoring a try in the dying minutes of the game.

We continued to improve every game and will do so next season. Thanks must go to James Tinker and

Bennette Jiang for substituting almost every week. However, we would never have improved this much without the help of the coaches Mr G. Barris, Mr G.B. Wang and our manager, Mick Dennison. In this team, our success was not always reflected on the scoreboard, but with the courage each and every player displayed at the face of adversity.

Rick Saha

14B

Firstly I would like to take this opportunity to thank the team and the coaches for all their hard work. As a team we have improved a great deal since our first game and have grown together due to all our effort and good attendance at training sessions. At the start of the season we had a lot of new players who had never played rugby before. They were quick to learn the game and are now great players. While we have had a mixture of wins and losses this season we have always put our complete effort into the various games and have kept in high spirits. Almost all our players scored tries this season with some scoring several during every game.

While we did not win the majority of matches we played we have become a much better team and learned to cooperate with each other. It is amazing how far we have come as a team since the start of the season and I am always blown away by what my team can now accomplish.

Adam Shackel

13A

This year, the 13A's had a very enjoyable and enlightening season. It was our year to learn how to play rugby to the best of our ability. The majority of players had no prior experience of rugby so we had a lot to learn compared to the majority of our opponents in the other GPS teams. With every match we played, the team improved and we discovered more of our talents.

As the season progressed, our knowledge of how to play rugby kept increasing at a very satisfying rate. Towards the end of the season, we were starting to play as a team and not a group of individuals. Our results in games started showing our new



13A Fifteen

Back Row: J.Kurosawa, C.Chang, R.Yi.

Second Row: Mr M.Aldous (Coach), D.Tian, R.Yuan, D.Kim, A.Li, A.Lee, J.Ye, Mr P.Scrivener (Coach).

Front Row: C.Won, S.Wei, J.Yip, C.Fisher (Captain), N.Zhang, A.Xiao, E.Love.



13B Fifteen

Back Row: J.Qiu, P.Yu, T.Dong, J.Zheng, R.Liu, A.Zhu, J.Kim.

Second Row: Mr M.Aldous (Coach), A.Nguyen, M.Qiao, T.McGrath, E.May, A.He, N.Giannoulas, Mr P.Scrivener (Coach).

Front Row: D.Nguyen, M.Yuan, D.Lim, H.Puvanenthiran (Captain), D.Wu, A.Lu, D.Cai.



13C Fifteen

Back Row: H.Hua, T.Nguyen, H.Yio, D.Wang, M.Whittaker, C.Ma, W.Lin.

Second Row: Mr G.Stein (Coach), E.Chen, D.Chen, C.Lik, M.Zheng, E.Shen, T.Mehndiratta, L.Wong.

Front Row: H.Mulla, B.Graham, S.Nguyen (Vice Captain), L.Saunders (Captain), R.Shen, S.Pham, R.Huang.

understanding. This led to many extremely close games, some of them coming down to the last minute.

One highlights of the season was the 10-10 draw against Kings with a breath-taking finish. The twelve year old players also enjoyed their game with the 13C's against The Scots College.

All our players tried their hearts out in this season and are sure to win a few more games next season. We greatly appreciate the effort Mr Scrivener, Mr Aldous, Mr Stein and Mr Knox put into our teams this season.

Connor Fisher

13C

2012 was a great season for the new 13C's. Coming together for the first time at the start of the year, with the majority of the team never before having experienced the thrill of handling a rugby ball, the team faced some serious challenges. Under the calm yet firm guidance and teaching of Mr Stein, the boys progressed from being simply enthusiastic, to being capable of giving the opposition a run for their money, and the supporters on the sidelines a real thrill.

The 13C's played twelve games over the season, with the rate of both point scoring and wins increasing with each game played. The latter part of the season saw a run of thrilling victories and the odd close loss, in which the team's newly developed skills were proudly on display. In the forwards Tushaya Mehndiratta, Hamzah Mulla, Colin Li, Matthew Whittaker, Dean Chen, William Lin, Hayden Hua, Eric Chen and, in the latter part of the season, Daniel Wang showed determination and increasing skill in all areas of the game. Notably, Tushaya proved to be incredible at ripping the ball from the unsuspecting opposition, while Daniel was a force to be reckoned with, whether charging forward with the ball or bringing an opposition breakaway runner to the ground.

In the backs, Raymond Huang, Stephen Nguyen, Sidney Pham, Lane Shen, Thomas Nguyen, Ben Graham, Harry Yio, Michael Zheng, Eric Shen and Lucas Wong increasingly demonstrated excellent passing and running skills, especially with their cut-out moves. The backs, as a group, showed an increasingly firm sense of understanding of where the try line lay. Lucas put his incredible pace to good



Tom Connolly and Owen Duffy

use running amok through opposition defence lines. Stephen demonstrated a great tactical understanding of the sport by directing play with devastating effect. Raymond seemed to develop a sixth sense for gaps in opposition defence and used that sense to set up or score a number of impressive tries.

Overall, the players showed versatility, grit and great determination. The final, thrilling game against Grammar revealed how much the team had improved over the season. Earlier in the year, the Grammar team had beaten the 13C's by a large margin but in the final game the score was neck and neck with Grammar only just managing to take the lead in the final seconds.

The team was buoyed by the increasingly large contingent of parents and supporters who turned out to watch each Saturday morning and spectators were well rewarded with exciting rugby. Thank you to Mr Stein and Gareth for coaching us and teaching us how to play proper rugby. We look forward to next year.

Louis Saunders

Football



First Grade Football

Back Row: A.Nadir, A.Purcal, D.Jones, J.Pallandi.

Second Row: J.Ren, A.Punekar, A.Booth, O.Meroni, M.Iskander, A.Pereira.

Front Row: A.Brokman, S.Renzenbrink, Mr M.Mullrone (Coach), J.Koukouras (Captain), Dr K.A.Jaggar (Principal), J.Lam, A.Fu..

First Grade

Football 2012 featured a largely different side to that of last year. The loss of eight senior figures of 2011 allowed us to experiment with players and positions in our lengthy pre-season. Despite falling short of our GPS Premiership hopes the season was nonetheless enjoyable and successful. As always it was an honour to play under coach Mehdi Hazrati and alongside your closest of mates.

In our first game of the GPS season we were scheduled to face Newington on our new home turf at David Phillips Oval. Newington had countless times proven themselves to be a formidable rival, and a narrow loss in the trials, only after conceding a penalty, left us confident we could start the season with the full three points. Alongside the emotional and inspiring words from the coaches, Tony Schwartz was to add more fuel to our fire. Captain of the First XI in 1974, Tony presented us with our jerseys; his nostalgic and inspiring final message on the honour and mateship associated with the High Jersey at the back of our minds as we ran onto the pitch. The first goal was to fall to the opposition after a dodgy cross flew into the top corner. However in true high spirit, the boys never dropped their heads and the final whistle signaled a 2-2 draw, with a goal to Oli Meroni and a last minute equalizer to Jonathan Ren.

Our next game pitted us against a dominant Ignatius outfit. The ensuing contest proved as tough as expected. Golden chances fell to both sides. Keeper Anton Brokman performed brilliantly, saving an outrageous penalty early into the second half. Sadly, Oli Meroni suffered a torn ACL midway through. We were left disappointed by a 0-0 draw, our feelings compounded by the result against Newington. Results across the board saw us sitting mid-table. Thus, our third round clash against Shore was a must win. And that we did. After a great pep talk from Matt Mulroney, we once again ran onto home soil with all guns blazing. Following a foul against Andreas Purcal just outside the box, centre back Daniel Jones stepped up to the plate and nailed the free-kick into the bottom left corner to take us out to an early lead. Arjun Puneekar extended this lead, heading in a corner at the back post. Shore replied, but it was not to be enough; High holding out for our first win and best start to the GPS in years.

I will never forget my speech after our 0-3 win

against Joeys in the trials, where I proceeded to tell those present at the afternoon tea that the GPS competition was a funny thing. These words were to hold true. Just mere months later, our loss to Kings a week earlier, gifted Joey's the GPS Premiership. Despite blinding performances from Mark Iskandar, Anton Brokman and Arjun Puneekar in particular, High were on the back foot for most of the game. The solid Joey's outfit, featuring three AAGPS representatives and the Captain of AAGPS First Eleven among their squad, capitalised from a searing run down the flank to take a 0-1 lead midway into the second half. The disappointing loss essentially ended our Premiership campaign, yet still left us in a position to finish high on the table.

Next came Scots who quickly ran away to an unwarranted 2-6 win. It was a forgettable game. A second half lapse had shattered our competition standing.

The last game in a Sydney High jersey for much of the squad was fittingly to be against fierce GPS rivals Grammar. Regardless of a two goal win against the strong side in the pre-season, we were not going to allow arrogance to get the best of us. In front of a fantastic crowd, thumping drums and in pristine playing conditions at Weigall, the squad ran onto the pitch for the last time in 2012. High dictated early proceedings, with trio in Adam Booth, Jonathan Ren and Jackson Lam dominating in the centre. Our aggression and persistence paid off, and Adam Booth appropriately hit his first goal in a First Eleven jersey in what was to be his last game. Grammar persevered with long throws, eventually snatching an equaliser and the game ended level.

Thanks must first and foremost go to our coach Mehdi Hazrati. Mehdi's passion for football has driven the squad all season. His commitment is something to be admired, often having to get up earlier than 5 a.m. to be at school to set up training. It is something that is hard to come by, and shaped by decades of experience in and around the game. The help of Second Eleven Ian Robinson also demands acknowledgement. His encouraging words and his commitment to the squad and to training is deeply appreciated. New MIC Matt Mulroney has also been instrumental in the squad's efforts this year. Filling the big boots of previous MIC Richard Gifford, Matt's experience, as an old boy with three years as GPS Firsts keeper, was invaluable at training and in our tactical development.

Heartfelt thanks must also go to the parents, not purely for the countless amazing afternoon teas, but also for your support over the years. Without you this season would not have been possible, and we cannot express how really grateful we are for that. Finally to the players, this season has been somewhat of a rollercoaster. From premiership contention to a perplexing finish near the ladder's forgettable bottom rungs, it has been a great journey nonetheless and certainly a treasured experience. We'll never forget those oft confusing jokes from Mehdi, nor those countless training sessions and rather unpopular lunchtime meetings. It's been a privilege playing with you.

Jim Koukouras

Second Grade

The season for second grade has not been a true representation of the ability of our team. With multiple injuries and a constant changing line-up, as second grade acted as a support team for the first, we were unable to reach our full potential.

The highlight definitely came from our successful tour of Armidale. The 7 - 0 slaughter of The Armidale

School completed the fulfilling experience of Armidale. While we bonded as a squad, we were inspired by Jesse Cooper and John Seroukas' Mantra: "YOLO: You Only Live Once." Tushaar "Garglad" opened the game with a quick goal, culminating in a spectacular hat trick that left the Armidale Second XI in tatters. His outstanding and dazzling performance on the right hand wing most adequately illustrated by the quote endorsed by the rest of the SBHS Second XI-'Inspiration only comes in Gargs'. Speed demon, Serag Saleh, made his debut as a striker, with a clinical finish in the bottom left hand corner against a floundering keeper. Even keeper Allen "Chest-Fu" was able to steal a beautiful goal.

The season did not begin as we had hoped, with a tense and tight game against Newington College. The outstanding performances of both sides kept the match in an unyielding dead lock. As the intensity rose though the second half, a short lapse in our defence allowed Newington to capitalize with a crucial goal in the last ten minutes. A quick substitution brought on Tushaar Joshi with his desire to show his hidden talent and thus assisted the trickster Shumit Hoque with his close control dribbling which consistently



Second Grade Football

Back Row: N.Ma, A.Ramesh, J.Pallandi.

Second Row: Mr M.Mulroney (Coach), T.Joshi, A.Nadir, J.Li, S.Hoque, N.Vlatko.

Front Row: W.Zhou, M.James, J.Cooper, A.Fong (Captain), A.Fu (Vice Captain), C.Robinson, T.Garg.



Third Grade Football

Back Row: L.Katupitiya, J.Zhou, J.Barnett, B.Jeyarasa, N.Han, A.Kerr, M.Yim, S.Saleh.

Front Row: D.Ghezelbash, D.Pan, K.Liu, G.Sutton (Captain), W.Lin, O.Lee, S.Thushyanthan.

fooled defenders. Jaan Pallandi's height was a torment to our opponents. Despite many golden opportunities we were unable to complete in the dying minutes, Newington stole another goal with a beautifully orchestrated counter attack, resulting in our defeat.

The SBHS Second XI walked onto the pitch of the Kings game, knowing we were up against an extremely physical team. Their fullbacks constantly belted diagonal long balls towards their strikers, however our own backline was too solid for the King's Second XI to penetrate. The centre backs Anirudh Ramesh and Nan 'Naniiboi' Ma produced a solid effort, as their height allowed them to overcome most of the overhead balls. The leadership nature of defender William 'Captain Zhou' kept the positive spirit and generated strength throughout the team, single-handedly breaking down many demanding attacks with his solid stature. The SBHS goalkeeper Allen 'Chest' Fu in particular, was instrumental in denying the King's strikers any leeway. In what was arguably his best game, 'Chest' Fu was in a constant frenzy of diving and tackling, his shot-stopping ability forcing the Kings Second XI to watch in frustration. However, with a stroke of bad luck and poor refereeing, Kings were awarded a controversial penalty kick in the dying minutes which was converted. Nevertheless, the SBHS team showed perseverance as they

battled to overturn the 0-1 deficit through the attacking efforts of Jesse Cooper and Jet Lee.

The Shore Second XI was comprised of a strong backline and speedy wingers, as we had found out during the trial matches, but the Second XI were confident to counter it. The game started off in High's favour as we dominated in possession and shots on target. Many were in disbelief as substitute and impact player Serag Saleh was able to beat and dominate the opposition with his excessive strength and speed. His constant fighting spirit for the ball however could not be maintained, as he memorably found a way of slipping in the mud to land face first onto the ball. The pivotal role of Connor Robinson and Marcus James as centre midfielders was evident in the way they weaved around their Shore counterparts. They easily showed their composure and skill, to take control of the game and make it their own. As we conceded a goal, substitute James Barnett had the fighting spirit, to get us back into the lead. A player burdened by injury, his unmatched aggression and dedication to put his body on the line for the team, has been encapsulated by his efforts for glory. Young Adilmorlad Puyol Nadir in particular played with the skill-set and maturity beyond his years. His ability to stick the ball to his feet with superglue frustrated



Fourth Grade Football

Back Row: V.Chen, R.Tran, L.Fang, I.Klauzner, K.Xu, J.Zhou, T.Nguyen.

Front Row: S.Quazi, T.Collier, K.Liu, T.Chin (Captain), G.Liang (Vice Captain), T.Pilien, S.Prusty.

the Shore defenders and rightfully earned him his award as the Junior Player of the Year.

Our final game was against Grammar and we were blessed with an army of supporters. The stands filled with Sydney High supporters, in honour of the Year Twelve's last game representing the school. From a determined start, we maintained a consistent and composed defence and produced many attacking options. The left wing saw many unsurpassed opportunities with unspoken understanding and chemistry between winger Shumit Hoque and Left Back Captain Andrew Fong. Fongy's partnership of speed and vision matched with Shumit's skill and exceptional control, saw quick movement plays and allowed Shumit to produce consistent long penetrating shots which continuously troubled the keeper. From a conflicting free kick, the crowds went into an uproar, as specialist Nan Ma produced a breath taking cross, followed by a clinical header by striker Jesse Cooper. As the intensity rose further with Grammar fighting from behind Nick Vlatko tight defence enabled us to regain our composure. Through the good communication and voice of centre backs Anirudh Ramesh and Marcus James – a player consistent in all positions – the defence was

able to maintain a solid structure, allowing Allen Fu to produce the much sought after clean sheet.

Although we ended the season at the bottom of the table, we were able to find a win for the last game, a bittersweet ending for the Year Twelve's, many who have played six years of football for the school. I can easily say that this season has been fun, with our long hours spent together as a team, and will be memorable for many years to come. Congratulations also to MVP Allen Fu, who sadly was replaced in First Grade due to injury. However he played a pivotal and vital role in the team, acting as an incontestable asset to the successes of the team.

Many thanks go to Coach Ian Robinson, whose hours of hard work and enthusiasm have encouraged us to endeavour to reach our full potential as individuals and as a team. His tactical planning was evident throughout the best parts of our games, which could never have been achieved without him. Also thanks to MIC Matt Mulroney and First Grade Coach Mehdi Hazrati, whose endless passion for the game and admirable knowledge have provided us a legacy for the future.

Andrew Fong

Fourth Grade

Our team was fortunate enough to have our home games at the new weather-resistant UNSW Dave Phillips Fields, where many memories and friendships were formed. I am sure I speak for everyone in saying that the 2012 season will not be forgotten.

The Fourth Grade team comprised:

Vincent Chen the “motor” of our team, always giving 110% in all our games. As a midfielder, he encouraged our team with his upbeat attitude and focus on moving forward. His long throw-ins, as well as his preference for fast-paced games secured him a pivotal role on the team; Tim Chin, the captain and sweeper of the team, was responsible for keeping the backline in formation and running the offside trap. His ability to see the whole field and his strong kick were appreciated and his season highlight was that goal against Kings; Timothy Collier played the center-midfield position, blessed with excellent court-vision and a high soccer IQ. An all-around player, his ability to run plays and excellent control made him an invaluable asset to the team, setting up many goal-scoring opportunities and obstructing the opposition; Lucas Fang, our other centre-midfield, had everything from excellent footwork and ball-carrying skills coupled with endurance. His excellent header enabled us to counter-attack many of the opposition’s goal-kicks and clearances, translating to instant offence and timely scoring opportunities; Ilya Klauzner played midfield for Fourth Grade, and embodied the phrase ‘you can’t teach height’. His control and passing abilities improved consistently throughout the season, playing pivotal roles in our offensive strategies; Gary ‘mathemagic’ Liang (vice-captain) manned the center-back position, and in many respects was the backbone of our team. His control, intelligent play, footwork, defensive capabilities and calculus was pivotal in dismantling the opposition’s play. His laid-back and humorous attitude ensured there was always laughter at the end of a session; Kenny Liu was our goalkeeper, and his goal-saving abilities and excellent reaction-time were vital for our game. His season highlight was his game-altering penalty save against Grammar (resulting in a draw); Thomas Nguyen, our offensive midfield, played a solid and consistent season, directing our offence in the right direction and developing his skills throughout. His first-touch passes, strong kick and all-around play gave us the edge against other teams; Timothy Pilién was our right-back, and his endurance, excellent ‘jockeying’ defensive

strategy and clearances were fundamental for our defence; Suman ‘Suarez’ Prusty played striker for our team, and his tenacity and soccer IQ proved difficult for other teams to handle. His speed and ball-carrying abilities caught other teams by surprise creating many scoring opportunities; Shubash ‘density’ Quazi played offensive midfield for fourth-grade. His endurance and physical strength kept the offence moving forward, and his play-making abilities, control and dribbling improved greatly throughout the season; Ronald Tran played both left-back and defensive midfield. His ability to defend is unparalleled and his game achieved a new level in the latter half of the season. His understanding of the game, when to tackle and when to ‘jockey’ kept the opposition at bay; Kevin Xu was our second centre-back and injured early in the season. Nevertheless, his support and advice was greatly appreciated; and, Jerry Zhou was a deadly striker for fourth-grade football. His speed, through-ball runs, control, excellent shooting skills and ability to create shots easily overpowered the opposition’s defences, resulting in many goal-scoring opportunities and exciting plays. His cheerful attitude and determination kept the team focused especially when down a goal or two.

A big thank you to the parents who came to watch and support the team, our coach, Steve Sheldon and the team of Fourth Grade Football 2012.

Tim Chin

Fifth Grade

The team list was impressive- a blend of an unyielding defence line, creative flair in the midfield and a dazzling attack. It was a potent mix of experience and ability, with former grade elites Raymond and Sudam (MVP) answering to the call of duty and veteran campaigners Krishna and Cameron leading by example. Under Vince’s tactical prowess, the late transfer of goal-keeping prodigy Rohan Mahajan also saw an added boost to the squad’s morale as his vociferous and inspiring pre-game talks struck fear into the opposition and echoed across the fields.

However, our early campaign was plagued by disappointment. Work needed to be done and following the holidays, a brutal re-shuffling of positions and tactical meetings led to a victorious 6-0 over Joeys at the end of the trial period.

Having rediscovered our confidence, we faced a dangerous Newington side for the first GPS game.



Fifth Grade Football

Back Row: L.Katupitiya, D.Wang, C.Stack, C.Wan, R.Hua.

Front Row: B.Lam, R.Mahajan, V.Nguyen, S.Dias, S.Quazi.

Sadly, our once intimidating passing game was absent and we went down 3-0 in an embarrassing season opener. Yet, our spirit would persevere as we sought redemption against Riverview (2-2), with Bertie Claus suffering a horrific head clash. The following game against Shore (0-0) saw the most physical encounter of the season where the character of our defence was truly tested: facing opponents standing 6.5ft or taller. A special mention to 'Ro-Neuer' who saved the first penalty of his promising career.

The game of the season was against Joey's. We rose and were victorious (1-0) in a climactic finish following another penalty save by Rohan in the dying minutes of injury time: nearby bystanders were awed by his exceptional leap to the corner post as he fisted the ball to half way. On the rise, the 5th Grade team was able to conquer a cocky Kings outfit (2-0), with Cameron cementing his position as the leading defender with his bicycle-kick goal line saves. Plagued by injuries the Scot's game saw a

drop in momentum and intensity, as we were unlucky in a 1-0 defeat but we had finally demonstrated our mastery of the Barcelona tika-taka game style.

The highly anticipated Grammar game saw the team lift in training, displaying a new found determination and ruthlessness that had been missing for majority of the season. The Grammar encounter would be the last game for all the boys. Inspired by a deafening pre-game huddle, the boys truly rose to dispatch a substandard side in a glorious 5-0 victory, with players such as Conor and David truly surpassing expectations. The drums and chants of the immense crowd was also an asset to the win.

We would like to thank all the boys for their commitment, persistence and dedication throughout the year, for this has been by far the most memorable and enjoyable season and a very appropriate way to end our football careers at High. We weren't the team that the Fifth Grade competition needed; we were the team that it deserved.

Vincent Nguyen & Sudam Dias



Sixth Grade Football

Back Row: R.Lee, M.Lam, L.Fang.

Second Row: C.Zhang, N.Ooi, J.Lo, E.Lieu, A.Phan, M.Nguyen.

Front Row: Z.Mohamed Rizvi, M.Pham, M.Schwarz (Captain), J.Yao, R.Manahan, S.Do, J.Fayez.

Sixth Grade

It was a challenging but enjoyable season for Sixth Grade. All players are in Year 12 and hence we strived to make this last season a memorable one. We started the season off on the back foot. Going down 0-2 against Newington, we missed a few chances to put ourselves on the scoreboard. However, the players showed resilience and strength in keeping it a close match.

The weather was much kinder this season; only one game was called off due to rain. It took some time for the players to combine more effectively and for positions to cement. Midway through, we gained some much-needed strike power with Hiram Yu and Michael Lam joining the ranks. The versatility of Simon Do, Leo Fang, Nick Ooi, and Michail Schwarz provided the core of the team while Raymond Lee, Justin Lo, and Zafar Mohammed-Rizvi defended well in the backs. Commendations to Jeremy Yao who provided consistent cover as goalkeeper, as well as Andrew Lau and Michael Nguyen, who proved very reliable substitutions.

As the season drew to a close Sixth Grade strengthened their game. In the penultimate match of the season, our last home match, our draw was against King's instead of Scots which we lost 2-4. Michael Lam scored both goals and kept the match in contention, however our missed chances to lead early on proved costly. We saved our best for last against Grammar Sixth Grade. High lead for the majority of the match against a very evenly-matched opponent, scoring goals through Michael Lam along with a double to Vincent Chen. Justin Lo was on fire in defence, regularly shutting down potential breaks and pulling off a spectacular sprinting slide tackle to stop a swift sideline movement by the opposition. There were some opportunities to extend the score line but unfortunately we couldn't capitalise. Grammar, though, came out on top in the end, winning the match 3-4 in the dying minutes. Nevertheless, it was a hard-fought match with each and every one of our players leaving nothing in the tank, ensuring a highlight to remember our last season of Football by.

Special thanks to our friends and fellow players from Fifth Grade and Seventh Grade for backing up for our matches when we were short – especially on short notice. Huge congratulations as well to Leo Fang who was our MVP for the season, playing all matches and keeping a consistent standard in his game. Last but definitely not least, a personal thanks to my teammates and friends that made up the Sixth XI for 2012. This year has definitely made for some great memories.

Rodrigo Manahan

Seventh Grade

Consisting of former A's and B's players, Seventh Grade went into the season as an imposing force. With our aims set high for an undefeated season, we began our first trial match with an emphatic 5-1 thrashing of Riverview. We then secured wins and draws for the remaining trial matches, putting us in a good position for the actual GPS season.

At the start of the GPS season in Term Three, we began our campaign with a 1-0 victory over Newington, thanks to a great long range effort from Chris Mao. Unfortunately, our next game against St Ignatius

(Sixth Grade) ended up with a 0-0 draw in a tough-fought game where many chances were missed by both sides. However, Seventh Grade fought back to secure 1-0 victories over Shore and Kings (Seventh Grade) with Safat Sufian and Agnish Nayak scoring. High was then given the task of playing against Kings sixth grade the following week. With our confidence boosted from the previous two games, we secured a 2-1 victory with Safat and Agnish scoring again. This was the only game of the season where we conceded a goal, largely thanks to James Chan's professionalism with his golden gloves. Our final game against Scots was heading for another scoreless draw. However, with Fifth Grade cheering fanatically from the sidelines, we were given the extra push that enabled us to score during the late stages of the second half. It was a great sight to see fellow High boys cheering us on and in the end, it made a huge difference.

All in all, Seventh Grade achieved its aim of an undefeated season with a total of five wins and one draw (and a disappointing bye against Grammar). Credit goes to our defenders: Brian Leung, Denny Dien, Darryl Chan, Simon Luong, Kevin Pham and Vasu Bhakri. Brian and Vasu's unlimited energy, Darryl's emphatic headers against players who



Seventh Grade Football

Back Row: C.Mao, V.Thayalan, R.Ko. **Second Row:** Ms J.Eggleton (Coach), V.Bhakri, T.Subasinghe, K.Pham, A.Kaluve, S.Nene. **Front Row:** D.Chan, S.Sufian, J.Chan, A.Nayak, B.Leung, S.Luong, D.Dien.



Eighth Grade Football

Back Row: B.Jin, W.Koslowski, D.Mah.

Second Row: A.Chan (Coach), D.Chen, Y.Luo, D.Wei, B.Mo, K.Giang.

Front Row: J.Hu, A.Chau, S.Hussaini, K.Vyas (Captain), E.Xu (Vice Captain), A.Nguyen, N.Lazarus.

looked twice his age and size, Kevin's fearsome aggression and Denny's powerful communication successfully got the job done every week, only letting in one goal throughout the GPS season. Thanks to Ms Eggleton for supervising us on Wednesdays and Saturdays, and for giving us her words of encouragement in our quest for the "Dolan Cup". Finally, huge thanks must go to all the boys in Seventh Grade for their dedicated effort and hard work in both training and the games. I hope that we can keep the same team next year and I look forward to the 2013 GPS season, where we will undoubtedly aim for another successful and undefeated season just like this year.

Safat Sufian

Eighth Grade Football

It has been extremely enjoyable playing with Eighth Grade this year with each individual 'bringing' his best to every game. The season itself was surprisingly competitive despite the social reputation of Eighth Grade. We had a mixed season with some unlucky losses and emphatic wins.

Our trial season started off fantastically with a 2-0 victory over Shore. The rest of the trial season was a mixed bag with several wins, a couple of 1-0 losses and a couple of nail-biting draws.

Once the GPS season began, the team worked effectively as a unit and won several games in style, the most notable being our 6-3 victory over Riverview with Alex Ngyuen scoring a double to give us an early 2-0 lead and Khushaal Vyas bagging a hat-trick adding to our highest scoring game of the season!

We had a very close game against Newington College who played extremely well and unfortunately saw us lose 0-2. Despite the loss, we saw a valiant effort from our defence and midfield with Dominic Mah, Albert Chau, Bob Jin and Nevin Lazarus playing one of their best games to date. The middle part to the season saw a number of varying results with an unfortunate 0-3 loss another Newington outfit but saw us hit back with a 2-0 victory over Kings! The middle part of the season brought out the best in our midfield with Derek Chen, Daniel Wei, Jason Hu, Yongbin Luo and Eric Xu playing consistently every game and Sikander Hussaini doing an excellent job in goal each week!



Ninth Grade Football

Back Row: Ms J.Eggleton (Coach), H.Zhang, K.Ying, D.Duong, A.Xu, V.Prapakaran, E.Ho.

Front Row: M.Li, K.Huang, J.Chen, A.Bui, V.Ho, E.Ly, S.Kumareswaran.



Tenth Grade Football

Back Row: W.Randles, C.Ho, K.Krahe.

Front Row: N.Pinidiya, P.Wu, M.Birch, W.Ho, B.Lam.

The season ended on a very positive note with a 3-0 victory over Shore with Wilber Koslowski scoring two fantastic goals to finish off what was a wonderful season for him, and this combined with previous gallant efforts, saw him take out 8th Grade's Golden Boot with Khushaal Vyas, Dominic Mah and Alex Ngyuen no more than a goal behind Wilber!

A big thank you to Ashley Chan who has turned up almost each week to take photographs of each game and also at times filling in as goalkeeper!

It has been an absolutely amazing and enjoyable season and playing with such great characters has added so much to the experience, so I'd like to thank 8th Grade for their valiant efforts each and every game and hopefully we can take out the elusive 'Dolan Cup' next year!

Khushaal Vyas

16A

The 16A's team started off with many changes due to some players moving up into first and second grade leaving the team with many positions vacant. This allowed many new players to enter the 16A's

with new additions such as Eric Yu, Rakulan Arulmurugan, William Yang, Wenbo Gong, Lokesh Sharma and Wei Li Zhuang. The 2012 season was a success as we improved over a season with many highlights and close games.

The team started well with high morale, teamwork and communication with our coach Alec. The first few trial games were very close against Grammar and Shore where we lost by a small margin. After a month, Alec unfortunately injured his knee leaving us without a coach temporarily. Thankfully the 16 B's coach Ben agreed to continue coaching not only the B's but also the A's allowing the team to further improve their skills at intense Monday morning and Wednesday afternoon training sessions. Further through the season, John Seroukas joined the team from second grade as a strong goalkeeper replacing Eric Yu. These changes took time for us to grow accustomed to, but resulted in a stronger team, proving true through many of the following matches. The intensity of the games grew, and with the team morale at its peak, the games became closer and closer as we finally finished the season.

The defence consisting of Eric Yu, John Seroukas,



16A Football

Back Row: W.Gong, A.Ali, W.Zhuang.

Second Row: R.Arulmurugan, L.Sharma (Co-captain), W.Yang, A.He, S.Khan, B.Hancox.

Front Row: A.Tayeh, J.Kwon, N.Sutton, S.Wang (Captain), J.Seroukas, G.Farrugia, P.Lam.



16B Football

Back Row: J.Freiberg, J.Kuang, A.Kuang, W.Wu, B.Truong, J.Zhao, C.Yu.

Second Row: Front Row: A.Cheung, S.Pham, A.Malik (Vice Captain), C.Chan (Captain), N.Kong, V.Yang, L.Chen.

Abdul Ali, Wenbo Gong, Sida Wang, Brendan Hancox and Wei Li Zhuang, performed great all season with many impressive saves and stops acting as a solid wall of defence, while the midfielders, Nathan Sutton, Phillip Lam, Sharek Khan Lokesh Sharma, Andrew Tayeh, and Andrew He continued to fight for the ball with uncontested determination setting up some great goals and plays. The strikers William Yang and John Kwon finished off the plays seamlessly and continued to run for every ball and every chance they had no matter how difficult it got, rounding up a memorable season for the team.

Though the team did not win many games, it grew from a newly arranged team to a greatly improved team with strong team chemistry through continued training. The team would like to thank Alec and Ben for coaching us through a successful season and all the parents and players who made this unforgettable season possible.

Sida Wang

16B

The start of the season heralded a 'new look' B side. With some of last years' best players moving up into the Opens, we were left with some continuing B's

players and a promoted player from the C team. Despite this, our new coach, Ben, made sure that we would remain as strong a team as the previous year. The three new players who came into the team, Brian Truong, Leighton Chen and Jon Freiberg, became valuable assets

Our defence improved substantially due to Ben's coaching. Defenders Brian Truong, Christopher Chan, Jeffrey Zhao and Victor Yang honed their defence skills. Our wingers, Junjie Kuang and Tae-won Yu, have definitely improved in stamina and speed, setting up the majority of the goals in the season with their crosses. Mid-fielders, Azam Malik, Alex Kuang, William Wu and Leighton Chen, are commended for their skilful dribbling and accurate passes which developed through Ben's skill lessons. Strikers, Tae-won Yu, Jon Freiberg and especially Andrew Cheung with his unique ballet jumps are to be applauded for their goals throughout the season.

After five games, the loss of our goalkeeper Nathan (fracturing his hand), made the rest of the season look hopeless, but the team stayed strong and with hard work and determination, we managed to score several goals in the remaining games. John Seroukas stepped in to fill our goal keeper slot



16C Football

Back Row: J.Huang, R.Cheng, J.Lin, J.Waring, W.Lu, H.Zhang, M.Sedlvakkumar, R.Rawnak.
Front Row: A.Lee, D.Shao, A.Bui, L.Lee (Captain), V.Zhang, D.Li, A.Chen.



16D Football

Back Row: A.Cao, A.Shi, P.Stephens, S.Gallagher.
Second Row: N.Koneru, J.Huo, R.Chen, M.Yu, J.Ma, O.Shao.
Front Row: A.Bao, R.Risteski, E.Yu, D.Evans (Captain), D.Fang, C.Baker, L.Chen.



16E & F Football

Back Row: I.Marinov, W.Tan, D.Feng, A.Zhong, S.Baranwal, S.Vimalanathan, H.Liu, D.Li.

Third Row: G.Qian, R.Li, A.Zhong, R.Cao, A.Hassan, J.Zhang, K.Chong.

Second Row: C.Zeng, D.Tran, J.Yu, A.Wang, J.Huang, B.Huynh, W.Zhou, R.Guo.

Front Row: T.Chen, J.Ma, J.Tang, A.Wong, P.Sim, J.Yu, E.Wang.



15A Football

Back Row: J.Tran, E.Wang, S.Baranwal, C.Zhou, C.Lee, J.Park, S.Vatandoust.

Front Row: A.Huynh, G.Shankar, M.Libman, N.Haidar (Captain), J.Lim, K.Dang, R.Hao

saving many goals which secured our hopes. There was a memorable moment during a game against Riverview where their striker blew past our defence line with an opportunity to obtain a goal. However, through determination, Brian Truong was able to sprint back, even though the striker had a lead on him, and save the goal by slide tackling. The parents, players and coaches (Ben and A's coach) all jumped and shouted with exhilaration and after our successful win Ben commended Brian, "That was the best slide tackling I have seen, you went sliding for literally 5 metres".

With 5 losses, 2 draws and 2 wins the season hasn't exactly been a success, but the team has improved overall because of our coach, Ben. On behalf of our team I'd like to thank Ben for his hard work and dedication to coach the team. I'd also like to thank the rest of the team, as well as new members of the team for giving it their all this season.

Christopher Chan

16E

This year the 16E's were probably the largest football team in the school with over 26 players. Unfortunately this did not guarantee victory, going down by 7 goals against Newington in the first trial game. Poor weather during the first half of the season limited our opportunities to play, with a 3-0 loss, again against Newington the only other match in Term 2.

The remainder of the season went quite well, with victories against St Ignatius (2-1), Grammar (3-0), Scots (2-0) and Newington (2-1). Prematurely expecting a win against Grammar for the final game of the season resulted in disappointment when a last minute goal saw them draw 2-2 with us. This was despite brilliant goalkeeping by Joseph Tang, who excelled throughout the season.

Going from an 11-3 loss to a 2-1 victory against Newington meant significant improvement. Thanks to our coach David, who took us partway through the season and helped us drastically improve our game. Although the Newington team didn't take the loss so well, it was still one of the season's highlights.

Aaron Wong

15A

This year, the 15A's had a memorable football season, with improvements across all aspects of our game. The team was coached by Reza Vatandoust, whose vast knowledge of the game improved our teamwork and skills on the ball greatly. We got off to a shaky start, struggling to work as a team but as the season progressed our teamwork improved substantially. Despite losing our first few games by the narrowest of margins, the team remained unfazed, and we worked hard during our early morning Tuesday and Thursday afternoon training sessions. Our dramatic improvement in teamwork, control on the ball and passing led to our first victory, against the Shore A's team in a memorable 3-1. Throughout the game we dominated the pitch with excellent ball control and passing which led to our first goal off a corner by Nader Haidar. This was then followed up by two outstanding goals by Chris Lee in the left strike position. In the week following this we drew 1-1 with Kings, with Shayan Vatandoust scoring an incredible and accurately placed goal off the crossbar. We then drew 2-2 in the following week with Scots, in an intense game with the goal scorers being Shayan Vatandoust and Jonathan Chew. The Scots A's were leading 1-2, when their defence faulted and handballed the ball inside the keeper's box. The referee called a penalty which Jonathan Chew struck into the left bottom corner, bringing the score to 2-2 and finishing the game. Although the last game of the season saw our unfortunate defeat to Grammar 0-7, we still had a great season during which we saw significant improvements in our teamwork, communication, passing and mentality. I'm confident that we will continue to strive for excellence in further seasons and it was a real pleasure to be the captain of such a dedicated team. The team and I would like to thank our coach Reza Vatandoust, for his dedication to improving our teamwork and overall gameplay.

Nader Haidar

15B

For the sixteen boys in the 15B's team, 2012 was a season never to forget. Every single player gave it his all and worked hard every single training session. This hard work showed during the Saturday games most of them resulting in wins or draws. While focusing on our games we also had loads of fun and enjoyment. With this positive mindset we were able to work together and bond as a group.



15B Football

Back Row: R.Li, J.Lian, B.Nguyen, L.Mah, F.Wang, J.Tjahjokusumo, W.Beare, T.Jiang.

Front Row: A.Wu, C.Yang, D.Bang, A.Allingham (Captain), J.Tran, J.Chee, G.Liang.

Our first trial was against St Ignatius. In spite of being a newly formed team, to everyone's surprise, we played exceptionally well, thrashing Iggies. After this match we were on a roll, winning most of our trials without a challenge. Our final trial was against Newington, quite a strong side which we were never able to defeat. We started off well holding the defence and keeping them out of our box. It was a close game, the final score being 1-2 Newington's way. Although it was our first defeat for the year we were all happy with the standards at which we were playing. We felt that we were ready.

Our season started off well. With regular training sessions and great coaching we were able to perform well. A few positional shuffles allowed us to experiment with our positions to see what worked. Teams that defeated us last year were shocked to see how well we were playing and most of them ended up losing to us. A loss to Newington in the trials led to a 1-1 draw during the actual season. We only experienced two very unfortunate losses to Sydney Grammar and Riverview. Following on from last year's season, wins and draws ended up to be most of our outcomes. A very successful season for a hard working team, well done boys!

The 2012 15B's team: Goalkeeper-Felix Wang, Defenders – Anthony Allingham, Jason Tjahjokusumo, Carl Yang, Leonard Mah, Garwerd Liang, Midfielders-Brendon Fattore, Richard Li, Angus Wu, James Lian, David Bang, Wesley Beare, Strikers – Justin Tran, Ben Nguyen, James Chee, Tony Jiang.

The team and I would like to thank all the referees and officials, Mr Mulrone and Mr Gifford for their junior football and Year 9 football camp organisation and of course all the parents and family members that supported us every Saturday, cheering us on. Coaching us for the first time ever, big thanks goes to our coach Austyn. His vast dedication to improve our team work, fitness and football skills showed through our games. Thank you!

Overall 2012 was a successful season for the 15B's team and left us with some amazing memories. As a team we have worked extremely well and had a lot of fun, each game with a new experience. It has defiantly been one never to forget! I hope we once again, team up and have an even more successful season next year.

Anthony Allingham



15C Football

Back Row: L.Loizou, G.He, S.Arvind, P.King, I.Cai.

Second Row: A.Wu, J.Lim, T.Chang, K.Szet, M.Liu, J.Lin, T.Hossain.

Front Row: V.Avudainayagam, A.Hossain, S.Si, V.Muruganathan (Captain), I.Lai, M.Ng, S.Zhang

15C

The 2012 winter season for the 15C Football team was one of many highs and limited lows. Along with our Coach, Gabriel, who was an integral part of our side, the players took part in a string of triumphant victories, with only one unlucky loss to Grammar standing between the C's and our bid for an unprecedented undefeated season. Gabriel's friendly attitude and adaptable approach to coaching meant that our training sessions were something that players looked forward to, and that we played our games with a healthy sense teamwork and understanding of each other's strengths and weaknesses. These factors were major contributors to our successes during the season.

Our matches encompassed a number of both team and individual highlights. With our side being offensively dominant, spearheads in our team such as Anthony Wu, Terry Chang, Sheng An Zhang, Stanley Si and Tahmeed Hossain stole the spotlight on numerous occasions, with fantastic dribbling skills, combined with a wonderful eye for goal and finishing ability. In particular, Anthony Wu was a special forward

in our formation, hoisting our team with a series of outstanding individual performances, such as an incredible 5 goals in one match, at key moments in the games. In the midfield, the fantastic vision and passing from players such as Vishnu Avudainayagam, Matthew Ng, Jason Lin, Kenneth Szet and Phliip King ensured that our strikers were given the best possible opportunities to do their job. As for defence, our centre backs Varunan Muruganathan, Ian Li, Gary He and Sudarshan Arvind formed an impenetrable barrier for opposing players. Mike Liu, Loizos Loizou and Alex Hossain played as our Left and Right Backs and also made vital tackles and clearances at the rear. Finally, the Goalkeeper position was played interchangeably between Sudarshan Arvind and Varunan Muruganathan.

Our biggest victories included a 6-0 goal fest against Joeys, 5-1 with Shore and an 8-0 thrashing against St. Ignatius in one of our opening trial games.

Overall, the 15C's 2012 Football season was an array of outstanding team and individual performances, all of which contributed to the side's promising successes this year.

Football



15D Football

Back Row: K.Chen, I.Chang, T.Nguyen, K.Liang, A.Wong, P.Mai, A.Lu.

Second Row: W.Banh, A.Zhang, R.Sura, J.Park, S.Balakrishnan, B.Zhuang, D.Wang, I.Hussaini.

Front Row: S.Li, R.Joseph, A.Trajcevski, A.Nam, R.Kawahashi, E.Wu, J.Huang.



15E Football

Back Row: B.Lee, J.Zhang, S.Zhang, N.Huang.

Second Row: Y.Zhou, B.Fu, M.Betbeder-Matibet, V.Gao, H.Huang, Y.Wang.

Front Row: C.Huang, D.Nossar, H.Liu, S.Pulapaka (Captain), A.Narula, A.Morshed, L.Huynh.

15D

The 15D's had a great season this year, winning many games and really enjoying ourselves. The team mostly consisted of players from last season, joined by a few recent arrivals at the school. With a total of 22 players, it was always a packed group on Thursdays and Saturdays.

The 15D's didn't get an opportunity to play against a variety of teams this year, due to the other GPS schools lacking teams of our grade. Thus, we had to play against Newington College a total of four times, where we won once, drew once and lost twice, against a very strong Newington side.

Our most memorable game was probably the game against the Shore 15B's side, in which we played our best and defeated them 3-0 despite them being two grades above us. Some great goals from Bill Zhuang, Kelvin Liang and Ryo Kawahashi were ones to remember. In our final game against Grammar, we were determined to just have some fun as it was our last game of the season. Due to spectacular refereeing from Grammar, we were diverted from our game, due to intense laughing and mucking around.

However, we had the most fun of the season, and it was a memorable match, even though we lost 3-0.

Our most valuable player of this season was Bill Zhuang, who gave nothing less than a 100%, every match, and scored some spectacular goals. Final mentions go to our coach Sam Lane, who was always a happy and nice guy, and I'm sure we all learnt many things from him.

Andrew Nam

15E

2012 was good to the 15E's Soccer Team. The team had its ups and downs, but the season was a great and fun experience for everyone. There were many new faces as well as some familiar ones as well. Together we worked well as a team. Altogether, there were twenty-one hardworking people in this team. We started this season off on a winning streak, winning 4-0 for all of the trial games we played. We worked hard and improved through the season. Newington, who we defeated in the trial games 4-0, bounced back with a stronger team and subsequently defeated us 0-3, and then 0-2. We



14A Football

Back Row: A.Petrovic, E.Zhou, M.Koslowski.

Second Row: B.Lin, R.Hossain, W.Chen, N.Rahman, F.Morshedi.

Front Row: B.Liang, K.Subbanna, L.Shtein, T.Nimac, L.Jepson, A.Smagarinsky, E.Smith.



14B Football

Back Row: P.Kadappu, L.Tao, A.Yu, J.Gek, K.Agrawal, G.Yuan.

Front Row: J.Goh, T.Luo, W.Chjen, J.Pope (Captain), J.Agawin, S.Shringarpure, M.Blackall.

then drew with them 1-1. This shows how our team improved over the season. Special Thanks goes to Mr Gifford who was our unofficial coach for the season, who came to training every Thursday afternoon and taught us the skills we needed to improve.

Shreyas Pulapaka

14A

2012 was a very successful year for the 14A's with every player developing his game through hard work and dedication from both the players and both coaches. We were all very happy with the way the season went and our hard work during training paid off as we squeezed out results against teams even when the bounce of the ball didn't go our way.

During our trial matches we tried out new formations and positions for different players. Our results included a great 4-0 win against St. Ignatius and a narrow 5-3 loss to Newington, the best team in the competition. Overall, we learned a lot about all the teams, which we would use to our advantage later in the year.

We started the GPS competition with a disappointing 3-0 loss to Newington, in which we let in a couple of soft goals. This performance fired us up for a 3-1 win

against Ignatius making us one win and one loss from two games. Our third game was against Shore, who had beaten us 2-1 in the trial games after a rather suspect penalty decision was converted in the final minute. This time we were up for the challenge on Shore's home ground, grinding out a hard fought 2-0 win in windy conditions. We sensed a missed opportunity against Kings missing out on the three points and ending up sharing the points with Kings after a 0-0 draw. After this game our coach Antony Paul was unable to continue his job in charge of us as headed overseas. We would like to thank him for his commitment to the team and developing the players. However this marked a new beginning with our new coach, Kieren Taylor who was just as dedicated to the team and very passionate.

In Round 5 of the GPS competition, we played St Joseph's at home and we dominated but could not find the goal we were after. Fortunately with only a few minutes to play, Adam Smagarinsky took a long-range shot that was destined for the goal and we escaped with a 1-0 win. Next week was football camp, which although fun, did not give us the greatest night's sleep before the big game and we were a bit lethargic. After a horrific first half we rallied to grind a 1-1 draw against Scots. Finally, against Grammar we were unable to play in our

usual passing manner and lost 2-0.

Overall, the 14A's had a great season due to overall commitment and camaraderie of the boys as well as some inspired coaching. I would also like to thank MIC Mr Mulroney for his great organisation and for putting on the football camp. Congratulations to Bovan Lin who was our top scorer even though he missed the last three games due to injury.

Thomas Nimac

14B

The 14B's had a good season winning 5 GPS games and only losing 2. After an uncertain start we turned our season around against Kings and then won the last 4 games in the season. Our first game was against Newington, where we found our team disorganised and undermanned, although Preetham had a good game on the wing. In our second game against Riverview we set up some genuine attacking opportunities and won 2-0 with Josh a stalwart at right back and Salil playing well in the midfield. Against Shore we lost a close game in difficult conditions with Simon defending strongly. Against Kings we really found our mojo with a 2-0 win, congratulations to Manning for scoring his first goal and also to Jerry for scoring the other goal. The next

game against Joeys was probably our best game of the year with an 8-0 win. Congratulations for Kabir scoring a whopping 4 goals and also to Anthony for his pinpoint crosses from the wings, and also to Tim and Gordon for providing other genuine attacking opportunities. After returning from camp, very under slept, we managed to pull off a 2-0 win against Scots with a real team effort. Grammar was probably the best team in the competition so we were in for a real challenge in our final game. We scored one goal early thanks to some excellent work in the midfield by William and then for the rest of the game we held on thanks to some great defence from Luke and James Goh and some amazing saves in the goals by Jaeco to win 1-0. Congratulations to Luke for winning the Players Player award and a big thanks to our coach Brendan (and our honorary coach, Jerry's dad) for their motivation, leadership and tactics.

James Pope

14C

The Football 14C's had a wonderful and very satisfying winter season this year. With Paul as our coach, not only did we manage to win almost every game but we also had an enjoyable experience. There were many noteworthy plays and



14C Football

Back Row: S.Zhao, D.Huynh, S.Nampalli, J.King, A.Rusli.

Front Row: K.Du, A.Deep, F.Alam, Y.Kita-Leong, T.Ali Khan, P.Yu, P.Dang.



14D Football

Back Row: M.Joarder, H.Ou, W.Zhang, J.Zhu, J.Lin, A.Liu, L.Yang, S.Xue.

Front Row: S.Dai, H.Ma, S.Vakirtgzis, A.Mao, I.Mohamed, K.Andrew, T.Lo.

demonstrations of skill. Not only did we improve but we had fun in the process. Peter Yu (8R) scored a whopping 15 goals during the GPS football season which was brilliant. There were many highlights in our games but the most significant one for me was the time when the opposing team's striker shot uncontested and Anthony Chen (8F) came flying out of nowhere and kicked the ball out to safety. Overall, having had another great football season, not only am I sad for the season to end, I am waiting in anticipation for next year's season to come.

Youki Kita-Leong

14D

The 14D's soccer team performed admirably in the 2012 season. Even after some hiccups in our first matches, where players were shifted around to positions they were not used to or teams they didn't know, we pulled through.

Through hard work and most of all, our coach Raph, we were able to consolidate as a team and improve. One of the major things we realised was that we had to work together to win; we would let in too many goals without an adequate defence, and we wouldn't score any with an incompetent attack. This realisation hit us all hard and forced us to play as a

team, regardless of our differences. With the end of the season we were proud to have won 4-0 against Scots, and taken draws from tough situations against Newington, Shore and Joeys.

The dedication shown by everyone involved in our team, including the B's, C's and E's coach helping when Raph wasn't able to come should not be underestimated. Such a sacrifice of time was hopefully recognised by every member of this team, and I hope we have some way of paying them back next year.

Alex Mao

14E

This season was tumultuous for the 14E's, after losing straight up 0-5 and then the next week 0-7, we realised we had to start training harder or lose again. Our real success came when we drew in a couple of our matches, our confidence grew and we became more consistent. Our coaches, Shiv and occasionally Visakan tried to make it to every game even though they had their own games to go to. During the season we had some mishaps, the most fatal one being during a game against Saint Patrick's when one of our defenders cleared the ball and accidentally hit a parent square on the head. Then



14E Football

Back Row: V.Thayalan (Coach), R.Chan, A.Zhu, C.Huang, N.Ravi Raj.

Front Row: Y.Han, B.Nguyen, D.Fu, D.Yam, J.Lin, J.Bhaskaran, A.You.



13A Football

Back Row: W.Tang, K.Guo, J.McCahon-Boersma.

Second Row: H.Bartley, S.Afsar, F.Ayub, C.Nguyen, Y.Bushati, J.Chan.

Front Row: A.Chow, E.Zhou, T.Li, J.Zheng, S.Murugananthan, R.Prabhu, G.Ge.



13B Football

Back Row: H.Huang, A.Tam, K.Shivakumaarun, J.Loh.

Second Row: Mr J.Kay (Coach), S.Senthilrajam, M.Yang, A.Nguyen, J.Snow, S.Lin.

Front Row: H.Soni, J.Chung, D.Fan, A.Prasad, B.Tran, R.Yousuf, A.Razmi.

followed 2 accidental own goals and missed kicks. Although we had much room for improvement, we have transformed from the ragtag, mismatched and uncoordinated people to working as a team with better skills due to increased training and enforced fitness for those who do not go to the games without good reason. Altogether it was a fun season. Good Job everyone.

Daniel Yam and Denny Fu

13A

This season was undoubtedly a very successful beginning for the 13A's. Starting off the season was quite unpleasant, as we suffered several losses. Our coach, Victor, was determined to help us accomplish our goal, winning. His diligent work and the determination paid off week by week, with a distinguishable improvement at each game. Victor assisted us at achieving a new skill each week. Although we were still losing, the goal difference rapidly closed down. The most memorable game was the game against St Josephs at home. It was usual Saturday noon. The team was warming up

hoping for a victory but expecting another loss. It was a hard fought first half at 0-0 at half time. Late in the second half, a shot was taken but was handled by a Joey's defender in the box. Chris Nguyen took a well penalty and we were in the lead at 1-0. The growing frustration was visible on the Joey's side but we managed to hold on and take our first victory. We finished the season off on a high note, losing to Grammar by a close margin.

I thank all our supporters especially Victor for giving his time up to train us and pass his skills onto us. I also thank all the parents for encouraging us and taking us to the games. Without the dedication and determination that the 13A's have put in, we wouldn't have done anything.

Jonathan Zheng

13B

2012 was a spectacular season for the 13B soccer team, even though we did not score a win. The dedication and effort of every player was very pleasing to see, and our enthusiasm during the



13C Football

Back Row: R.Wu, S.Zheng, R.Lin, S.Zhang, J.Yang, G.Chung, H.Jeon, A.Li.

Front Row: L.Zhai, K.Cao, D.Ho, J.Pharm, C.Zhong, D.Fung, A.Mathew.

required training sessions transformed us into more skilled players. Throughout the GPS season we faced much bigger and stronger opponents who had probably been training well before the season actually commenced. All the teams we faced were challenging and most of our games were lost by big margins. However, our games against St Josephs were the most successful with close margins of 3-0 in the pre-season and 2-1 during the GPS season. Despite all of this, we had a fantastic season. There were plenty of standouts in the team. Brian Tran was splendid as goalkeeper for the team. Daniel Cai and Alvin Tan were a force not to be reckoned within the defensive line up. Jordan Chung held the mid-field intact with the support of the two wings Shang Lin and Jason Loh, and our goal scoring machine Raiyan Yousuf adapted to team well. Final thanks should be given to our coach, Mr Kay who continuously worked hard on making us a much better soccer team and who never gave up hope in us when we lost any of our matches. Also thank you to the parents for travelling and taking the players to and

from the venues, as well as supporting us during our matches.

Akhil Prasad

13C

This team has tried their best to do well in games, and certainly this has been shown as we have won one game and drawn two games. No matter how many times we lost that one win will be the main thing in our minds. Over the season we trained hard to do our best on Saturday games. We had tried to get there with plenty of time for a warm-up. We also strived to win games, and this positive attitude was what helped us do well. Reflecting on our one win, that was a really good happy time for us. It was 4:1 in the end against St Josephs (Joeys). We should've gotten one more goal but the ref called it offside. We were pretty sure that was a goal anyway, so in our minds that was 5:1, but no matter what the score was it was still a win and no one could take that away from us. Everyone in the team put an amazing effort to play our best each game we

played, and I was glad to see that. During the season teams did change up as the season went on. When the teams were finally decided I was happy no matter what, and I'm sure our coach Nakul was too. Nakul was an excellent coach and due to his perseverance and patience we were able to produce a win.

John Pham

13D

The Year 7 soccer D's had what can be counted as an exciting season. The team had in the beginning lost to the other Greater Public Schools, due to the fact that we were a largely inexperienced team. We also didn't know the finer points of the game, which led to opponents smashing through our defenses and scoring. In the third term, however, we started to improve. Under the coaching of our beloved coach Andrew, we had become more of a team working together, instead of individuals. We started to watch out for others, calling out if there was any trouble on the field, and we were more co-ordinated with each other. I remember our first time winning a match, against Shore. We had not managed to go through

their defense in the first half, but I can still hear the cheers and feel the euphoria when one of the strikers, Bernard Chan, scored, bringing the score of High-Shore 1-0. We had a fantastic defense, which, when the opposition broke past the strikers and the midfielders, saved the ball and kicked it back towards the opponents' goal. Justin, one of the defenders, with an amazing hard and long kick, scored a goal at the halfway line. We were shocked, and then jubilant, when we discovered it was a goal. The defenders had done a magnificent job in defence. The strikers, Nigel, Bernard, and Eddy, were then able to break past the defense and score. Without these guys we would not have a shot at winning. Of course, we cannot forget the midfielders. They were the people who had to do the most, running around to guard the centre, where the duel between the two teams was to claim possession of the ball. Marcus and Gin How, the wingers, were excellent in winning the ball, while Arthur prevented anybody from pushing from the middle. The funniest thing was that we do really strange things. There were times, when we were so close to the goal, but the ball would not go in! It was a melee, with our midfielders coming in and joining



13D Football

Back Row: J.Fang, N.Sun, T.Li.

Second Row: R.Luo, K.Zhang, P.Tung, J.Gao, B.Chan.

Front Row: M.Ikeda, V.Lan, B.Chen, A.Wong, A.Zeng, J.Huang, E.Xiong.



13E Football

Back Row: D.Zhang, W.Xu, G.Wang, S.Shek.

Second Row: W.Zhou (Coach), M.Luk, C.Liu, D.Cai, A.He, K.Xu (Coach).

Front Row: N.Wong, D.Fu, B.Wu, S.Balasooriya, J.Chin, R.Zhu, J.Chen.

into the confusion. Overall the season was an excellent one, with four wins in the bag, but what was more important was a friendship between the players on the team.

Arthur Wong

13E

This season has been a great start for the 13E Football team. It has brought out hidden talent in all of us.

The team comprised the Strikers: Daniel Fu (Mid/Wing), Anthony He (Wing), James Chen and Daniel Cai (Wing/Defence), the Midfielders: Chenhao Liu (Striker) and Raymond Zhu (Striker), the Defenders: Manson Luk, Brian Wu, Wesley Yu, David Zhang, Nathan Wong and Gordon Wang and the Goal Keepers: Jeremy Chin and Andrew Shek (Defence)

Anthony was our top goal scorer and the other strikers did well in support. The midfielders worked efficiently and improved over the season by working on our 'triangle' formation.

The defenders were effective. David and Gordon in

particular, have very powerful kicks. The wingers found their rhythm and the goalies, Jeremy and Andrew, gained confidence with experience.

Our last game against Sydney Grammar was both a win and a loss for us. We did lose the match, but I think we won in the sense that we played well and we played as a team. We covered for each other, supported each other, made sure that we were doing what we needed to do.

This season has been, in my eyes, a good season for many reasons. We saw many of our players promoted and produced surprising wins. We all enjoyed ourselves tremendously and bonded as a team. We have grown as individuals and grown as a team. We have learned how to work together and not try to fly solo. Since our first game, we have improved so much, with the fantastic support of Mr Kay and our coaches. On behalf of the 13E football team, I would like to thank Kevin, Will and Mr Kay. We look forward to the next season!

Sanishka Balasooriya

Cross Country



First Grade Cross Country

Back Row: S.Chung, A.Brokman, A.Booth.

Front Row: V.Ye, Dr K.A.Jaggar (Principal), M.Chin (Captain), Ms R.Dam (MIC), Y.Hu.

Cross Country

The 2012 Cross Country season has been one of the best that I have ever seen at High. This year, participants were required to run the majority of the qualifying carnivals in venues as far away as St Ives Showground. The persistence, diligence, mental strength and physical prowess required not just to get to the venue, but also to be successful in cross country running has been displayed strikingly by the top performers in all divisions. The mateship displayed between High Cross Country runners in all divisions, in conjunction with these essential attributes has been the major highlight for me this year.

Before competitions even began, the immense popularity of Cross Country – a sport, which in 2008 had a membership of around forty in all three divisions – meant that a selection policy based on commitment had already excluded many good runners who had participated in 2011. With numbers capped at one hundred, some runners who lacked commitment at the start of the season were dropped, resulting in a squad of eighty five from all divisions. Of these, fourteen runners competed in the Opens division, displaying

continued commitment measured by the intense Wednesday training sessions, which saw everyone run at least five km and the Saturday Carnivals with courses at least six and a half km in length.

Over the course of the season, participants who struggled at the first invitational carnival, myself included, gradually improved their placing through persistence, self-determination and a measure of mental strength. A talented trio of competitors, Adam Booth, Anton Brokman and Vincent Ye, constantly churned out performances in the top fifty of a field of one hundred and thirty. Although physical prowess seemed to be the key component that drove their success, personal experience constantly showed me that a strong mind was as good, if not better, than a fit body. No amount of strength could ever get us across the finish line if we decide not to get over it in the first place!

The diligence of our Opens contingent this year has been remarkable. Out of a team of fourteen, ten competitors managed to complete the carnivals required for finals qualification, with the three



Open Cross Country

Back Row: T.Iyer, W.Baxter, A.Brokman.

Second Row: Y.Hu, A.Booth, J.Jiang, L.Zhang, S.Chung, J.Adhika.

Front Row: J.Lam, K.Julca Cui, M.Chin, Ms R.Dam (MIC), V.Ye, D.Wong, M.Lee.

carnivals held at Centennial Park being the most highly attended. The 2012 Opens contingent, who competed at the GPS finals held at Sydney Park on 8 September, included the First Grade Team: Adam Booth, Anton Brokman, Steven Chung (running for the U16s), Yang Hu, Vincent Ye and myself, as well as William Baxter, Leon Zhang, Jason Lam and Dennis Wong. For the Opens team, the second last hill of each lap in the four lap Sydney Park course was physically and mentally exhausting. Each ascension was immeasurable pain, each 'summit' was a welcome sight. Although I could not compete in this ultimate race, due to lingering breathing difficulties, I was able to predict and appreciate the sense of fulfilment and accomplishment that overwhelmed each finals competitor when they finished the race. Adam Booth finished a strong seventh, with Anton Brokman finishing twenty first and Vincent Ye a strong thirty second.

The CHS season was as successful as the GPS season with Adam Booth (18+/Opens), Ned Anson (U16) and the school's U17 team, Lloyd Perris, Jonathan Clements-Lendrum, Wilber Koslowski and Vincent Ye, qualifying for the CHS All Schools Carnival. Adam Booth and Lloyd Perris finished fourteenth and seventeenth respectively, with Ned Anson finishing forty-seventh in a strong field. Jonathan, Wilber and Vincent finished sixty-third, sixty-fifth and sixty-seventh respectively, in a strong effort.

No report is ever complete without a tribute or acknowledgement to parents, teachers and coaches not just from High but also other GPS and CAS schools for organising the carnivals, giving valuable advice, or even just driving us to venues all around Sydney. I would like to thank Ms Dam and Mr Kesting for their wonderful job as co-MICs in fostering my leadership capabilities and organising everything in the realms of Cross Country. A big thank you also to Messrs Bigelow, Elliot and Gainford for their insightful coaching tips, stories and photos. To all the parents, I thank you so much for your dedication in helping at the SHS carnival, driving your budding sports stars to the carnivals and even telling us to go for a run when the school training session was cancelled.

I encourage all cross country runners to continue this fantastic sport and I hope that you'll all be there at the 2013 GPS championships physically and mentally fit for the challenge.

Ming Chin, Cross Country Captain

Under 16s

This year's season of Cross Country from High was truly one to remember. This season saw many year eight and nine students continue for another season. A large number of runners moved up from the Under 14s category to compete in the longer Under 16s races, including Ian Zhou, who returned to the sport to captain Junior Cross Country this year.

The Captain of Senior Cross Country this year was Ming Chin, with Vice Captain Vincent Ye. The senior Under 16s squad trained hard on Wednesdays in Centennial Park, with coaching supervised by Ms Dam, Mr Bigelow and Ms Walsh. The training included warming up and stretches followed by the traditional 'Lake run', a timed 1.4km run around the edge of one of the lakes in the park. This would often be followed by a number of laps around the Rugby oval ran at medium to high intensity. The training session would then be finished by a sessions of long steady distance training completing an entire circuit of Centennial Park. Towards the end of the season training sessions included hill sprints at Mt Steele to build up endurance and help us complete the hilly courses on Saturdays. Throughout the season, the training saw the build-up of runners endurance and speed, helping them to consistently improve on Saturday races.

One of the highlights of the season was the Saturday hosted by High at Centennial Park. It was great to see so much commitment by the boys turning up early in school uniform to help set up tents and the barbeque before the race, as well as handing out water to competitors in different races and everyone staying behind long after the events to help pack up again. A big thank you goes to the number of parents who pitched in to help that day by either working at the barbeque or manning checkpoints at locations along the course. It was a great way to have our parents involved in our sport. Many runners beat their personal best in this race.

Other high points of the season included the Kings Relay, which gave us a break for the usual five to six kilometre course on Saturdays. Teams of four, with each runner having to run two kilometres, were organised. A short but intense race was run where boys not only pushed hard for themselves and their team.



16 Years Cross Country

Back Row: P.Yu, E.Le, A.Tan, F.Zhang, K.Li, L.Huyen, G.Chandrasekaran.

Second Row: A.Jiang, J.Sanguenza, K.Liu, T.Du, W.Du, I.Zhou, G.Liu, B.Mo.

Front Row: W.Tu, M.Nguyen, J.Dong, S.Chung, A.Lam, R.Ly, W.Chen.



14 Years Cross Country

Back Row: M.Tan, D.Hoang, M.Li, K.Ke, J.Lin, J.Tran, N.Abeysekera, N.Nakamura.

Third Row: J.Luo, R.Mo, B.Ling, N.Yin, W.Lin, J.Song, J.Huo, P.Johnstone, J.Wang.

Second Row: E.Abergas, C.Weng, D.Xu, K.Lim, J.Lin, C.Xiao, J.Wang, N.Lee, K.Liang, J.Chin.

Front Row: K.Chung, R.Hua, R.Wu, J.Chen, I.Zhou (Captain), N.Quan, D.Xue, T.Shortridge, S.Habib.

Seated on Ground: H.Li, T.Zhang, J.Kwak, J.Fen, J.Szeto, T.Feng.

One of the last key moments before the finals was the race hosted by Shore at Macquarie University. It was at this race, which included a mixture of open grounds and hills, that many of the boys in the under 16s squad scored their Personal Best finishes. It was here that High truly ran as a team with Kenneth Liu, Ian Zhou and myself managing to stick together throughout the entire length of the race, pushing each other and refusing to let anyone of us slow down and drag behind.

The peak of the season was the GPS Championship Cross Country Finals at Sydney Park, notorious for being the toughest course out of all the venues, consisting of an extra-long course that included lengthy inclines up hills that really tested a runner's endurance. After stretches and a few sprints to warm-up, the team gathered together for a rousing motivational speech before putting our hands in for a war-cry and heading over to the starting line, pumped with nervous energy for the race. On this particularly challenging course, the hilly inclines soon brought out the boys who had put in the effort at training. It was at the finish that many of us were able to score our best results for the season with Allen Shi, Tom Du, Anthony Tan, Ian Zhou, Kenneth Liu and myself securing places in the top fifty.

Overall, High managed to place Sixth in the GPS schools rankings for the season, defeating St Josephs and St Ignatius in the point score. Special thanks go to Ms Dam, Mr Bigelow and Ms Walsh for training everyone in Senior Cross Country this year, Mr Kesting and Mr Bigelow for training runners in Junior Cross Country as well as Mr Gainford for attending each Saturday. Their dedication and support during the season has been invaluable to us all.

Steven Chung

Under 14

This season was a very successful one for the Under 14s Cross Country team. The season began well, with a total of forty-three runners signed up to do cross country at the start of the season. There were a number of runners who attended each carnival and more than thirty-five under 14 runners turning up every weekend. More importantly, with the aid of the Thursday training sessions, everyone was able to push themselves to their limits. These training sessions normally consisted of a few sprints up Mount Steele, followed by laps around Moore Park West.

Manil Abeysekera was one of the fastest in the Under 14s and consistently finished in the top thirty throughout the season. His best result was when he had a GPS placing of sixteenth at Knox. Many other runners also had solid performances this year such as Kevin Ke, Joseph Song, Max Li, Jia Pin Lin, Johnson Luo and Nathan Quan who all consistently finished in the top fifty. This season also saw some terrific improvements by our boys. Harrison Li and Johannes Szeto are two examples improving by about thirty places during the season.

The Sydney High Carnival at Centennial Park was definitely a highlight this season. The first race of term three was a great way to start the latter half of the season. The race itself also produced terrific results. Manil Abeysekera and Joseph Song were our best runners placing twenty-seventh and thirty-third respectively. Everyone was able to stay back to give out water and cheer on all the other runners.

Another highlight was at King's School with a changed format from a three kilometre course around the school to a two kilometre relay format race in a different area of the school

The GPS Championship carnival was hosted by Newington at Sydney Park. Having already raced at Sydney Park earlier this season, we knew what to expect. It was a long course of almost four kilometres with many hills to run up and down. As it was the final race of the season, every runner was going to push it to their absolute limit, in order to get a new personal best. Kevin Ke was our best runner for the Under 14s race, saving his best for last, finishing thirty-sixth. Manil Abeysekera also had a solid result with a top fifty finish of forty-second.

High improved on 2011's results, finishing sixth in the final GPS School rankings for the Under 14s division, beating St Ignatius and St Joseph's. Special thanks must go to our two coaches, Mr Kesting and Mr Elliot, for making sure that we were well trained before every race. Thanks also to Ms Dam, Mr Bigelow, Mr Gainford and all the parents who have supported us every Saturday.

This season has been a memorable and very successful. A final thanks must go to all of the team for their continued commitment.

Ian Zhou

Rifle Shooting



First Grade Rifle Shooting – GPS Co-Premiers

Back Row: : R.Sternhell, T.Tran, W.Wu, J.Chan, B.Deng, M.Wu.

Front Row: Y.Wu (Captain), Mr D.Comben (Coach)Mrs C.Meaney (MIC), Dr K.A.Jaggar (Principal), D.Tran (Vice Captain).

Absent: Mr I.Nadkarni (Coach).

2012 was a highly successful year for shooting, building on the success of training, coaching and spirit from previous years. With a thoroughly effective training programme, exceptional insight from coaches and old boys and enthusiasm from the team, one of the most talented teams was put together and we not only secured the GPS co-premiership this year, but being so young, have set a precedent for success in the years to come.

A new training venue at the Sydney International Shooting Centre (SISC) played an important role in our success. We capitalised on SISC's features such as live feedback and Olympic grade electronic targets. With expert knowledge of shooting positions, techniques and organisation from our coaches, top scores improved throughout the year from 520's (out of 600) to 550's and above. For training at SISC, thanks must be given to coaches Ishan Nadkarni, Daniel Comben, Sam Kremer, Nathan Scudder and MIC Cathy Meaney for making the transition as smooth as possible.

The year started with prize meets at Bathurst and the one-hundred and thirty-fifth New South Wales Queens Prize Meeting, where the squad transferred

their smallbore training from SISC to fullbore competitions. It was during Queens that promising improvement was shown from the entire squad, especially from young shooters such as Timothy Tran Yr9 who shot a 50 with 6 centres out of 50 and Jeremy Chan Yr10 who shot 73 (8) out of 75. At the Queens, the squad accumulated close to a dozen range medals and 10 aggregate badges.

Our annual meet with The Armidale School, the defending GPS champions, tested our smallbore skills and kick started the winter season of shooting on the second of June. A close 11 point loss to Armidale (out of more than a thousand points) promised a high chance of a GPS premiership as thorough training and motivation would certainly close the meaningless gap between us and the defending champions. This was followed quickly by the Wingham Prize Meet where the squad once again showed enormous progress as young shooters continued to impress, such as Jack Zhou Yr9 who posted 46 (2) out of 50 (at his very first ever prize meeting!), Minghao Wu Yr9 who shot 48 (1) out of 50, and Jeremy Chan Yr10 who shot two 49's.

The traditional GPS training camp week followed



Second Grade Rifle Shooting

Back Row: T.Chew, T.Fong, J.Jiang, R.Eng, E.Han.

Front Row: W.Ruan, Mr D.Comben (Coach), J.Yang, Mrs C.Meaney (MIC), J.Zhou, Mr I.Nadkarni (Coach), O.Tseu-Tjoa.

Wingham at our new fullbore venue in Canberra.

The Fiona Reynold's All Schools Match on the fourteenth of July and the GPS competition itself marked the pinnacle of shooting for 2012. After encouraging scores throughout training camp from many shooters especially Jeremy Chan (50.5), Jacky Yang (50.3) and Robert Sternhell (50.7), we entered All Schools expecting nothing short of Victory. Indeed, Sydney High First championed, winning both the Prorak trophy and the All Schools Match by a single point, scoring 697 (31) ahead of TAS Gold, who scored 696. The team consisted of Robert Sternhell, Wilbert Wu, Jeremy Chan, Bill Deng and Yujin Wu, and it was Jeremy Chan and Bill Deng who posted possibles during the match.

After careful deliberation, Ms Meaney announced the First Grade and Second Grade GPS teams for 2012, and it was anticipated to be one of the best GPS squads in the competition. First Grade 2012 were: Wilbert Wu, Jeremy Chan, Bill Deng, Robert Sternhell, Timothy Tran, Minghao Wu, Dominic Tran (VC) and Yujin Wu (C). Second Grade 2012 were Terry Fong, Wentao Ruan, Evan Han, Jack Zhou, James Jiang, Oliver Tseu-Tjoa and Jacky Yang (C).

First Grade's victory during the first GPS match, the Rawson Cup, saw us take an early championship lead with eight championship points. We then finished in third place in the NRA shield. That kept us in the championship lead with eleven points, only one ahead of Shore. Day two continued with Second Grade's performance finishing third place behind Shore and Kings – a great effort! The First Grade finale, the Buchannan Cup, provided, as always, a dramatic finish to the GPS Championship. With TAS shooting superbly, Sydney High needed to beat Shore into second place to ensure a co-premiership with TAS. After a rollercoaster shift of scores during snap and a great performance from our shooters (especially Wilbert Wu who scored 6-2), Sydney High did finish in second place in the Buchannan shield, and much to all our supporters' delight, it was good enough. It marked the end of the 2012 GPS premiership with a High-TAS Co-premiership. It was also a special day for Jeremy Chan, Wilbert Wu and Yujin Wu who were also selected to compete in GPS Combined.

During GPS, a possible was shot by Jeremy Chan (35.3/35) in the Rawson cup, and Second Grade's

Timothy Chew shot a 34 (3) out of 35, a fantastic effort. All three combined shooters Jeremy Chan, Wilbert Wu and Yujin Wu achieved possibles in the combined GPS event, and Wilbert Wu scored an amazing two possibles for a total of 198 (16) out of 200. He was awarded the trophy for the highest score by a school student, beating all other combined GPS representatives.

Throughout the year, every part of training contributed to the success of shooting at High. Coaches and Old Boys who continue to return to support and guide the team during their own time truly carry on the invaluable spirit that drives our success. On behalf of all the shooters, I would like to thank Jack Wachsmann (2009) and Brendan Leo (2011) who supported us during nearly every event, and Justin Hill (2002), Kevin Chan (2000) and Joe Banh (2005) who supported us during Bathurst, Queens, Wingham and GPS. Thanks must also go to Abraham Chan (2009), Ryan Woo (2011), David Chan (2011), Matt Tong (2009), Peter Tran (2011), Nevin Spoljaric (2009), and Johan Santoso (2009) for supporting us during training week, All Schools and GPS, and the former four for supporting us during Queens. Our success could not have been achieved without Ishan Nadkarni (2008) for his dedication to performance each week, Daniel Comben (2003) for his commitment to coaching all shooters, and Sam Kremer (1992) for his numerous years of commitment and invaluable knowledge of shooting who does too much work behind the scenes. Finally, I'd also like to highlight Ms Meaney's dedication and support to the club. At every training session and competition, she was there helping out. Behind the scenes, she conducted huge amounts of club administration and drove a bus from school to SISC every week to ensure shooters didn't miss out on training. We are both extremely lucky and very grateful for everything she does for the club. Ms Meaney was also awarded life membership of the Sydney High School Rifle Club this year, in recognition of her outstanding commitment to the sport.

With a team of talented shooters from as young as year seven, and a society of dedicated coaches and Old Boys I am confident that shooting will continue to succeed for many years to come.

Yujin WU, Captain of Rifles



Rifle Shooting Club

Back Row: E.Ng, S.Subramanian, M.Wu, J.Chan, W.Wu, B.Deng, S.Guo, P.Chen, G.Bai, E.Han.

Third Row: K.Chambers, A.Morshed, T.Fong, T.Tran, T.Kim, R.Ng, J.Tu, J.Jiang, O.Tseu-Tjoa, C.Farrell.

Second Row: A.Shek, G.Baker, J.Huang, B.Kwong, D.Fong, T.Chu, T.Nguyen, K.Huang, W.Ruan, K.Lau, G.Lu, R.Shen.

Front Row: K.Takahata, R.Sternhell, J.Yang, Mr I.Nadkarni (Coach), Y.Wu, Mrs C.Meaney (MIC), D.Trfan, Mr D.Comben (Coach), J.Zhou, D.Roy, A.Lam.

Seated on Ground: D.Yan, M.Luk, A.Chow, U.Singh, G.Huang, D.Huang, K.Mascarenhas, D.Cai, T.Nguyen, A.Yan, K.Xuan.



Competing in GPS Shoot at Hornsby

Fencing



First Grade Fencing
Back Row: S.Fletcher (Foil), S.Pak (Foil), J.Cao (Epee), S.Ngo (Foil), H.Rabone (Foil), A.Chan (Epee).
Front Row: Y.Wong (Sabre), B.Hillier (Sabre), A.Cha (Epee), K.Dhamoon (Epee).

Master in Charge Report

It is with some regret that 2012 will be my final year as Fencing MIC. When I began as Fencing MIC in 2006 we were without a permanent base and were sport nomads moving from the Great Hall to any other available space during exam periods, dragging our fencing gear in a huge rattling cage on wheels. Seven years later fencers enjoy the COLA space and have adequate storage. The increased storage has enabled the expansion of the Fencing program to include Epee and Sabre. With the continued improvements the number of participants has swelled to capacity.

Over the years a number of coaches have worked with the fencers. Two years ago much greater stability was provided with the appointment of Antonio Signorelli as the Head Coach and the inclusion of the UNSW Fencing Club as a training venue to extend the opportunities for practice for the senior fencers. I feel confident leaving now that Fencing at High is under Antonio's watchful eye.

Over the years the Fencing Captains I have worked with have earned my admiration and respect. The Captains, Ben Hillier (2011) and Ian Li (2012) set new standards for future Captains to aspire to. Over the seven years I have worked with boys who have always represented the school with pride, dedication and

humility. The parents and supporters have also supported the fencers and myself by attending the competitions, organising parking and attending the Fencing Supporters Committee.

Thank you to Dr Jaggar, The Principal, The Head Teacher of Sport, Mark Pavone and Antonio and his coaching team who have provided the support and expertise to foster the continual growth of Fencing at High. Thank you to all of the fencers and families I have worked with over the years, it has been a real joy.

Jennifer May, MIC Fencing (2006-2012)

Fencing Captain Report

High fencing had a successful and significant season in 2012, with the introduction of two new weapons and continued success across all age groups. In the Schools Championship, High fencers performed well to end the season with numerous medals.

Competition started at the beginning of term two with fencers still out of practice. Despite this, and the fact our junior fencers had just been introduced to the sport, High achieved great results. In the Foil Teams, SBHS A (Hayden Rabone, Shaun Pak, Ben Hillier and Shaun Fletcher) placed Third behind powerhouses Grammar and Newington. The Under-13 team (Alvis Leung, Joshua Ng, Peiyuan Li and



Second Grade Fencing

Back Row: H.Lim (Foil), J.Cho (Epee), E.Naoumov (Sabre), M.Hauser (Foil).

Front Row: M.Chan (Sabre), P.Choi (Foil), R.Irwin (Captain) (Sabre), K.Yu (Sabre), C.Chen (Foil).

Aaron Tse) came ninth, an excellent result for their very first match. In the Sabre Teams, SBHS A (Ben Hillier, Yiutao Wong, Hardy Zhu and myself) received Bronze. The Epee Team event was unfortunately cancelled as other schools could not field teams. In the individual competition, there were many excellent results. John Tian won gold in epee in his first ever competition, a promising result for the next generation of fencers. Individual bronzes were also won by Arthur Chao and James Ye (epee) and myself (sabre).

In Term Three, fencers put in a big effort for the most important matches of the School Championships. The Under 13 and Under 15 foil teams had close matches with St Aloysius and Newington but they proved too strong in the final bouts. The A team had a devastating 42-45 loss to St Aloysius despite Shaun Pak fencing at his best, catching up fifteen points. There were better results in epee and sabre, with the Under 15 sabre team winning Bronze and Epee A winning a tough match to also receive bronze. The Sabre A team received Silver, after an entertaining yet nail-biting 43-45 loss to Reddam House.

This season, compulsory training at UNSW has been introduced for all seniors, and this extra practice has yielded our successful results. Fencing against State and National level fencers, including members of

the Australian Team, has provided invaluable match practise. Thanks must go to Alexandra Andre for coordinating our training sessions. The hard work of the coaches, Antonio Signorello for the seniors and Ben Wilcock and Cheryl Chan for the juniors has been invaluable to our development. Without their expertise and support fencing would not be where it is currently. As the Head Coach of Australia, Antonio has also provided opportunities for fencers to become referees and even future coaches, to ensure High becomes an integral facet of the NSW fencing community. With increased fitness training next year, as well as more coaching sessions, we hope to exceed the results achieved this year. The current talent pool among the juniors is promising of a bright future ahead.

Finally, a heartfelt thanks has to be given to Jennifer May, our outgoing MIC. She has been the backbone of fencing for many, many years and without her our successes would not have been possible. I would also like to thank the many parents for supporting the program and for turning up at 7:45am on Saturday to cheer on our fencers. Lastly, the support of Dr Jaggar has given us a permanent home in the COLA. We have also been able to purchase more electric gear to further the training and development of our fencers.

Ian Li



Junior Fencing

Back Row: H.Cheong, C.Wong, L.Chan, R.Ng. **Third Row:** G.Han-McEvoy, D.Zhou, Y.Chen, J.Huang, D.Chen, B.Deng, P.Li. **Second Row:** J.Ye, D.Jiang, A.Tse, E.Lin, A.Chow, K.Takahata, B.Long, R.Song. **Front Row:** A.Leung, A.Zafar, P.Han, J.Ng, P.Lin, J.Nguyen, H.Luo.

Skiing

This year our skiers headed to Perisher to compete in the Sydney Regional Interschools Snowsports Championships. The team included: Tim Collier, Tom Connolly, Michael Hauser and Liam Jepson. The smaller team meant that we could not stay as a group this year, coming together just for the races. Thanks must go to the boys and their families for ensuring that the school was still represented in the races.

The conditions this year were testing and as a result course locations and times were changed. Full credit must go to the boys who competed in the Moguls, Skier-X and Alpine events.

The Cross-Country events were held at a later time in conjunction with the NSW Championships. Tom Connolly and Tim Collier had good individual performances in the Cross-Country events with Tom Connolly gaining an invitation to the Nationals in both the Cross-Country and Mogul events.

Next year will be at Thredbo and we hope to see a stronger representation.



Tom Connolly on the Skier X Course



Skiing

T.Collier, M.Hauser, P.Choi, L.Jepson.

Volleyball



First Grade Volleyball

Back Row: P.Gao, I.Metcalf, A.Dosanji, J.Ni, J.Clements-Lendrum, P.Krakovsky.
Front Row: A.Dhaliwal, Dr K.A.Jaggar (Principal), J.Park (Captain), Mr M.Kay (Coach), H.Heo.

MIC Report

2012 was one of the most successful seasons on record for Sydney High Volleyball.

The attendance at CHS, GPS and All Schools events was exemplary and the quality of team performances was up across all age divisions. Specialist coaches working with High teams this year were: Yaegan Doran (First Grade and Second Grade), Ritam Mitra (U17), Victor Ngyuyen (U15/16), Balraj Ougra (U15), Terry Ly (U14), Wayne Baldlock (U14) and Alex Sneddon (U14)

The increased allocation of coaching resources to the junior divisions produced measureable improvements in skill levels in 2012. This was particularly event with the Year 7 volleyballers. There is no Year 7 age group for All Schools tournaments so the Year Sevens have had to play higher age divisions. Despite playing older opponents, the 14A's fought their way to a Silver Medal in the last NSW All Schools Tournament. Coaches Wayne Baldock and Terry Ly should be recognised for their excellent work with this group.

The Year 8 and 9 volleyballers continue to impress. At the end of season second grade friendly tournament held at Newington College, the U15A's (standing in for our Seconds) defeated Grammar and Newington (to the obvious frustration of their opponents). Sydney High's strength in this age division continues to grow and looks promising for the future.

The GPS competition expanded this year with more games for juniors and an end of season "friendly" round robin hosted by Newington College. It looks likely that for 2013 a Year 10 division will be formally added to the existing First and Second Grade fixtures. The Year 7 and 8 matches that were played this year will also continue.

2012 was the first year for the Melbourne High exchange. Melbourne High players were billeted by the High boys. The experience was tremendously positive for all students involved. Volleyball is played at the U17 level. Sydney High won the match 3-1 in an exciting match. We are eagerly anticipating the trip down to Melbourne next year. Mr C Barris should be commended for his work in setting up this exchange.

High Volleyball Results for 2012

First Grade finished Fifth in Division 1 at the Australian Schools Volleyball Cup.

U17s won the Gold Medal in Division 2 at the Australian Volleyball Schools Cup.

U14s finished Fifth in Division 1 at the Australian Volleyball Schools Cup.

Won the NSW CHS Inter Regional Carnival for the first time (Term 1).

Won the Inaugural Melbourne High Volleyball Match (Term 2).

Won the NSW CHS Open Boys Knockout (sixth time) (Term 2).

Won NSW All Schools Tournaments in the Open, U16 and U15 divisions.

Arman Dhaliwal, Arshdeep Dosanjh and Pinyan Gao (U16) were selected for Australian Rep teams.

M.Kay, MIC Volleyball

First Grade

Yet again the Sydney High First Grade side has shown their dominance and strength in the game, improving on last year's formidable results and winning all games played so far. 2012 has been one of the best seasons I have seen. The squad has maintained the tradition and has achieved quite a record, winning the CHS knockout, the GPS premiership, all metro tournaments entered as well as securing a first place in the CHS regional competition which was a first in twenty two years. With the newly implemented volleyball program, it seems inevitable that huge successes will be further seen in High Volleyball.

The beginning of the 2012 season was a rough transition where six of last year's First Grade had left high school resulting in drastic changes in our team lineup. With more than half the squad empty, it meant that many of the younger players had to step up and fill these places. This process was deemed highly difficult due to the abundance of talented players rising to the occasion to fill the spots of the remaining First and Second Grade teams. Due to the rigorous selection processes set up by our MIC Mr Kay we were able to find players most suitable in

playing at the highest level of high school volleyball. Despite the major height difference compared to last year, this weakness has been easily accounted for by the skill and versatility of all the players selected.

2012's First Grade side includes Justin Yang (Libero), Jun Park (Universal, Libero), Amandeep Dhaliwal (Outside Hitter), Patrick Krakovsky (Outside Hitter), Harry Heo (Outside Hitter), Jonathan Clements Lendrum (Outside Hitter, Middle Blocker), Ivor Metcalf (Middle Blocker), Arash Dosanjh (Universal, Setter), Jeffery Ni (Middle Blocker) and Pinyan Gao (Setter).

Our season began with a number of Metro tournaments which gradually paved the path towards the highlight of the Volleyball Calendar, the CHS State Knockout Tournament. With last year's disappointing loss in the finals we entered the tournament with a new determination. Our preliminary games were ones of great difficulty, playing against the stronger teams in the

competition such as Carlingford High School. This had a great impact on the performance of the players on the second day of the event, where players such as Jun Park and Arash Dosanjh continued playing despite injury. The final was played against Nowra, a new contender in the state competition. The game began with a slow start with the Sydney High side trailing a few points due to poor communication and teamwork. As the game picked up its pace, devastating hits from Arash, Aman and Jonathan accompanied by the solid passes from Justin and Patrick ensured a superb overturn of results. With the first set under our belts, the latter sets were much easier. Confidence in our hitters and setter meant that communication gradually improved, allowing a variety of unpredictable combinations to be played from both the back court and the front. Despite being a short game, the tension and skill level remained unmatched.

The GPS competition has been improving every year, making it increasingly difficult to maintain the



Second Grade Volleyball

Back Row: K.Lu, G.Qin, Y.Man, S.Noronha, S.Phillis.

Front Row: J.Garrett, S.Sethi, E.Mehmedbasic, J.Le, M.Song



Third Grade Volleyball

Back Row: T.Zhang, C.York, G.Dzero, N.Autar, E.Luu, P.Upatising.

Front Row: C.Wang, A.Karahasan, M.Fung, D.Truong, S.Prakash.

championship. This year was no different with Newington, Ignatius and Grammar stepping up and turning the tables in a few games. Nevertheless, High once again came out on top, defeating all teams with finesse and winning the GPS Championship.

The season is yet to finish, with one final competition remaining. The Australian Volleyball Schools Cup is to be held in December and all members are undergoing training in preparation for this major event. All teams entering are working to end the drought and improve on last year's excellent results, hoping for the best results in High volleyball history.

Such a large volleyball program can only be sustained by the very best and it is because of such dedicated teachers that High has maintained a dominant squad over the years. A thank you must be extended to Ms Trompetter, Ms Manolios and Ms Ibbott for supervising and organising the various

games we have participated in such as the metro tournaments. Without the support and opportunities provided by our MIC Mr Kay, all teams could have not achieved what we have done over this season.

Jun Park, Captain of Volleyball

Second Grade

High's 2012 Second Grade Volleyball side has not failed to maintain the high standard that has been achieved by this team in previous years. With many of 2011's talents advancing to First Grade, Seconds this year was comprised mostly of Year Ten players. Despite the youth of the team, impressive results were nonetheless accomplished.

The GPS competition was once again won by High, undefeated, although a grueling five setter against St Ignatius proved to be a nerve wracking and exciting struggle, with High pulling only just ahead in the last set, 15-13. In the state competitions,

Second Grade performed notably, winning a number of matches against First Grade teams that of including Carlingford. In one state tournament we even reached the quarter finals were reached.

Several outstanding performances ought to be mentioned: Yu Peng Man and Max Song both improved dramatically throughout the season, nailing ever more consistent and powerful spikes, which helped immensely to the overall success of the team.

Also, special thanks ought to be made to MIC Mr Kay, who provided great support to the team in both training and competition circumstances.

Ennes Mehmedbasic

16A

The 16s Volleyball team touched down in Melbourne on Sunday December Fourth with high hopes to improve on our narrowly missed bronze medal in the 2010 Australian Volleyball Schools Cup.

Not even in our wildest dreams did we think we would go on a nine game undefeated streak, only dropping three sets the whole tournament and taking home the gold.

For our first match against East Murray Area School our determination to make a strong start in the tournament allowed us to play hard and win in two straight sets. Our momentum carried on to our second game of the day where we again won in straight sets against St Joseph's Nudgee College, 25-22 and 25-20. In our first game of the second day against Willunga High School we got off to a comfortable start winning the first set 25-20. A string of errors and miscommunication near the end of the second set caused us to lose it 25-21. In the sudden death third set we regained our focus, calling for each ball and setting up powerful offensive attacks to secure our third win of the tournament. Our second game of the day against Bendigo South East College pushed us even further to win after a tough game.



17A Volleyball

Back Row: S.Sethi, K.Lu, G.Qin.

Front Row: S.Garrett, J.Le, S.Noronha, Y.Man, S.Phillis.



16A Years Volleyball

Back Row: P.Ryan, N.Phillis, J.Davis, R.Dai, V.Lin. **Front Row:** C.Wang, L.Chen, S.McKenna, J.Wu, H.Zhu.



15A Volleyball

Back Row: A.Karahasan, T.Nguyen, H.Park, K.Robinson.

Front Row: J.Chin, R.Sun, S.Xu, S.Arudselvan, R.Seong.



15B Volleyball

T.Zhang, V.Bui, D.Goh, F.Xie, H.Huang, B.Wu, K.Cai.



15C Volleyball

R.Ding, A.Yang, V.Karnamadakala, C.Shi, K.Matsumoto, W.Ha.

Volleyball

Our first game on day three was one of our hardest and closest matches against Brighton Secondary, a school renowned for their volleyball program and impressive results. We got off to a slow start, with sloppy play and errors forcing us on the back foot for the rest of the game. For the first time in the tournament, we lost the first set, meaning that we had to win the next two sets to win the game. We were shaken, but after some reassuring words from coach, Ritam Mitra, we came out focused and took the second set 25-19 thanks to accurate serving and careful play. For the third time in a row we set ourselves up for a third set nail-biter, Brighton were determined to keep their undefeated streak alive, just as we were. Our momentum from the second set win carried on into this set, with each player working together and covering the court well. This allowed us to set up some ferocious attacks and win the set 15-13. We continued our unified defence in the final two matches against Adelaide High, winning 26-24 and against Ipswich State High.

After winning against a well-supported Rostrevor College 25-22 we entered the finals against Eltham High School. They had some powerful hitters. With extensive court coverage and after delivering some strong attacks we made quick work of the first set 25-14. In the second set we played hard and smart, but a lapse of concentration late in the set led to some frantic and nail-biting volleyball. Eltham were desperate not to lose and pushed us hard, beyond the 25 point limit where we struggled to win by two. After a time out and reassuring words from our coach we regained our focus and delivered some strategic attacks that lead to Eltham committing a string of errors. At 29-27 we had won the set, game and tournament!

I would like to thank all the players in First Grade and the under 15s as well as their respective coaches Yaegan Doran and Balraj Ougra. The organised and resourceful Mr Kay, MIC of Volleyball, deserves a big thank you. A final thanks has to go to our coach and friend Ritam Mitra. He guided us throughout the



14A Volleyball

Back Row: D.Roy, D.Xien, J.Luo, K.Xu, J.Lek.

Front Row: A.Xu, F.Zhang, R.Gu (Captain), R.Truong, K.Wong.

year, coaching us during tournaments on Saturdays and sacrificing countless weekdays training us to ensure we were prepared for Melbourne and as a result we achieved a phenomenal result.

Shawn Noronha

14A

This season was full of ups and downs, twists and turns, and we had many surprises. The biggest moment for us was the Volleyball All-schools Tournament which was on the Third of August. On the day, we had just completed learning the basics and so our team members were all extremely nervous. Although we could not win many games we all had a great experience at the tournament and were able to learn many new things. I would like to congratulate Calvin Xu for the continuous and 'deadly' serves that were played in many games. We would like to improve in the game of volleyball and I hope everyone is trying their best to one day get in to the first grade team!

Ray Gu

14B

Our season began with a great start beating the Grammar C team two sets to one. We then fell apart in the second game losing to the Grammar B team one set to two. We knew we had to play harder and we did in the next game beating the Grammar B team two sets to none.

We played very well the whole season and improved very well since the start of term two. We got better in all our skills thanks to our coaches. We improved because we regularly trained and played in the gym on time and because of this our team's confidence in playing with each other has increased. Overall, this season was very good and we are progressing to continuously improve.

Shane Chen



14B Volleyball

Back Row: Y.Haque, F.Wang, L.Vuong, N.Liang.

Front Row: D.Nguyen-Jariv, R.Zhang, S.Chen (Captain), J.Song, S.Hua.

Table Tennis

On the first of June, a team of five High boys accompanied by Ms Barry entered the Sydney East CHSSA Knockout Table Tennis Tournament at the Sydney Indoor Sports Centre Homebush. The team consisted of George Ge, Glandon Zheng, Edward Koo, Nicholas Lin and Terence Zhou. It was a whole day event which left our players exhausted. High made it to the finals against Blakehurst where we finally conceded defeat. Following last year's loss in the semi-finals, this was more than a satisfactory achievement which is to be celebrated.

Our first match was against Caringbah. It was a nervous start and we were tied two single games all. In an attempt to break the tie, we played a pair of doubles matches yet inevitably tied again. With the score at three all, Glandon and I played a deciding doubles match against two of the Caringbah team. Fortunately, we won the match three sets to nil allowing High to proceed with a four to three win overall. Next, High managed to defeat Heathcote four points to one which preceded the semi-finals match against Menai who we thrashed four to nil. After celebrating this victory, we commenced preparations to go onto the finals

Our final match was against Blakehurst. All four singles

matches were played with great talent and were of high quality. Unfortunately three of our players soon lost their matches leaving only Glandon with his match to finish. Glandon was up a set on two sets to one. Then he dropped another set leaving the fifth set to decide the winner. Both players strived to win every point and the set score was at ten to nine, a match point for Glandon. The ball was served and somehow the ball ended up in the air quite high. Glandon poised for the point of the match and smashed the ball. Disappointingly, the ball went out. The match ended at the set score of twelve to fourteen with Blakehurst winning their fourth close match. It was unfortunate that Blakehurst could outplay us this year.

Overall, it was an outstanding achievement from High. We plan on doing better next year. Also, the team would like to thank Ms Barry, our table tennis coordinator for her persistent effort in giving boys the opportunity to practice and in organising the event. We should not forget the support of the girl's school as well as parents supporting us on the day. It was an exciting day and it has also been an honour to play alongside other great players from the CHS.

Edward Koo



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		J. Coates
1892	J. Coates	H.S. Dettmann		J. Coates
1893	J. Coates	W.G. Forsyth		J. Coates
1894	J. Coates	W.G. Forsyth		
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.	
1897	J. Waterhouse	J.P.V. Madsen		
1898	J. Waterhouse	F.A. Todd		
1899	J. Waterhouse	O.U. Vonwiller		
		O.A.A. Diethelm		
1900	J. Waterhouse	C. St. L. Willis		
		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	
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

List of Officers

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
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. Evers	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. Fonseka	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
2010	K.A. Jaggar	A. Paul	J. Waugh	J. Connolly
2011	K.A. Jaggar	T. Gollan	J. Waugh	J. Connolly
2012	K.A. Jaggar	B. Wilcox	J. Waugh	I. Sweeting

[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.



Year 7 2013

Back Row: J.Yip, L.Li, K.Wilson, J.Meng, E.Liu, J.Heath, J.Yu, N.Chand, N.Lambros, J.Wang, C.Chang, Y.Shen, R.Li, O.Wu, B.Yoon.

Seventh Row: E.Montuno, R.Rahman, R.Wu, V.Liu, J.Zheng, H.Vye, F.Yi, Z.Chen, J.Li, A.Steele, I.Wibowo, J.Kim, M.Tang, E.Kang, G.Suttner, L.Chen, K.Rahardja, R.Zheng, R.Hu, H.Deng, N.Sheng, D.Bounitch.

Sixth Row: L.Goff, S.Ziegler, G.Zhuang, S.Nawa, D.Chan, K.Liang, J.Hidajat, C.Do, J.Mok, B.Wang, M.O'Sullivan, R.Zhong, A.Guo, A.Li, J.Zeng, F.Fang, R.Qiu, K.Zeng, D.Ma, R.Li, K.Jin, J.Lai, J.Jiang.

Fifth Row: L.Wang, J.Bui, B.Nguyen, T.Trent, A.Guang, T.Wang, N.Belulkar, A.Ho, J.Zhang, M.Qian, A.Fox, V.Ravikumar, L.Chen, F.Fang, M.Cameron, S.Ruan, K.Huang, L.Jia, J.Lee, A.Chan, J.Wei, A.Muthayya, B.Kwan, G.Billingsley.

Fourth Row: J.You, J.Fu, L.Han, J.Liang, N.Trinh, A.Liu, T.Tselonis, K.Court, H.Ahuja, K.Nguyen, K.Zhu, D.Lalwani, A.Liao, N.Zheng, O.Chen, T.Lam, K.Hoque, Y.Lin, G.Lu, N.Vu, B.Cowen, R.Dhushiyandan, D.Sanjoyo.

Third Row: M.Wharton-Jones, H.Thi, A.Singh, R.Chen, Z.Mai, A.Feng, A.De Araujo, B.Strauss, R.Ho-Shon, W.Widyatamaka, E.Qi, S.Pham, M.To, J.Lin, S.Johnpillai, A.Chen, T.Li, J.Zhang, K.Li, J.Pham, J.Fang, J.Dinh, T.Jiang, R.Huynh.

Second Row: B.Nguyen, M.Bahar, A.Ho, C.Zhou, A.Qiu, S.Liang, L.Hui, R.Li, D.Thich, W.Zeng, A.Cai, T.Xu, R.Xiao, M.McGregor, A.Chang, O.Avdi-Ohlsson, L.Hsu, N.Nguyen, A.Herijanto, J.Ma, J.Patel, L.Wong, S.Quazi.

Front Row: J.Sun, R.Dow, L.Liang, J.Qiu, E.Heaney, D.Wong, B.Zheng, L.Do, M.Wiles, M.Ngo, H.Zhu, E.Pan, E.Tay, N.Dien, T.Pericleous, L.Fong, C.Sim, J.Narayan, A.Srirengan, P.Zhou, J.Huangzhou, C.Yuan, R.Hoang, E.Chan.



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Back Row: A.Zhou, M.Stojanovik, J.Pallandi, J.Clements-Lendrum, W.Wu, J.Ni, G.Gerlach, G.Dzero, A.Stoneham, O.Duffy, D.Keogh, I.Metcalf, R.Dewan, K.Chen, J.Yip.

Seventh Row: E.Kelly, K.Kuang, J.Gao, N.Autar, L.Zhu, T.Dumonet, L.Zhang, P.Rynsaardt, F.Zhang, J.Li, E.Zhang, J.Cao, J.Norman, V.Thayalan, A.Ramesh, A.Wu, T.Kent-Ow, H.Rabone, I.Klauzner, C.York, W.Koslowski, T.Zhou, M.Liang, T.Li, J.Chen.

Sixth Row: Y.Luo, G.Lee, J.Xu, M.Chang, M.Gong, A.Xu, A.Nguyen, K.Ying, J.Jian, C.Mao, J.Lu, S.Guo, S.Ngo, D.Duong, C.Xu, D.Tran, K.Li, A.Chan, J.Cho, K.Dhamoon, B.Deng, E.Luu, D.Kim, K.Ho, B.Mo, H.Zhang.

Fifth Row: A.Kerr, R.Chen, S.Zhou, M.Liu, A.We, B.Jin, D.Mah, H.Zhu, E.Li, R.Ko, D.Cordas, W.Choi, T.Chung, A.Thom, A.Vu, M.Ekengard, N.Vlatko, O.Meroni, A.Wang, A.Punekar, M.James, J.Baraceros, L.Jones, B.Angell, A.Joseph, D.Zhang, M.Lam.

Fourth Row: X.Feng, E.Yu, D.We, V.Prapakaran, Y.Hu, P.Chen, J.Zhu, A.Feng, J.Ma, A.Bui, A.Kaluve, V.Bhakri, D.Saggar, V.Ho, K.Pham, S.Nene, R.Le, H.Gu, J.Yu, M.Deng, J.Peng, K.Huang, N.Lin, K.Giang, E.Ho, D.Wong.

Third Row: K.Pan, K.Liu, N.Costa, E.Cao, J.Hu, D.Chen, T.Subasinghe, D.Dien, T.Joshi, A.Nayak, S.Luong, T.Havier, R.Tran, A.Cha, G.Chen, D.Lin, J.Wang, W.Cen, W.Ma, W.Cen, T.Li, W.Chang, J.Yeung, J.Chung, R.Xi, B.He, D.Bui.

Second Row: S.Hussaini, I.Li, H.Mai, J.Lee, D.Vo, E.Koo, J.Weng, A.Pereira, D.Ghezelbash, C.Robinson, S.Thushayanthan, V.Pham, H.Lam, W.Tam, V.Puvanendran, D.Chien, N.Lazarus, E.Xu, D.Chan, J.Zheng, K.Yu, S.Du, K.Julca Cui, N.Nguyen, N.Tang, J.Chan.

Front Row: M.Li, J.Lam, W.Xie, T.Pilien, J.Lam, S.Kumareswaran, T.Chew, M.Li, E.Ly, J.Dao, A.Chau, V.Chew, O.Kirk (Senior Prefect), S.Wang (School Captain), A.Nguyen (Vice-Captain), Mr P.E.Coan (Year Adviser), E.He, Y.Wu, T.Collier, B.Leung, J.Yang, S.Sufian, K.Vyas, M.Chao, D.Tam, T.Wu, W.Tu.