

The Weekly Newsletter of Sydney Boys High School

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# From the Principal High Talent

Congratulations to Eric Wu (12F) who is a finalist in the Alpha Awards Photo Competition, having won a camera already for his photograph taken at the swimming carnival.



Well done also to Nelson Cheng (11T) on his bronze medal in the Youth National Weightlifting Championships for the 67kg division.

# Weeks 1 & 2 of Online Learning

There were some teething problems across the state on Tuesday last when a huge load was placed on networks as all the city's school students logged in to receive online instruction. It was stressful for teachers and students as 0900 approached and many could not get on. We had numerous phone calls from students. The Big Blue Button on CANVAS malfunctioned for people using HP laptops offsite. My thanks go to James Rudd and David Isaacs who spent the first day troubleshooting and building workaround or alternative log on solutions to help staff connect with students. By Wednesday communication was working smoothly, and many video conferences were held with students. Some staff preferred using Zoom and sharing screens. By the end of the week systems had settled down and we fell into a better routine for maximising student learning in offsite mode. This week, systems have worked relatively smoothly, and very high numbers of



conference calls were recorded. I want to congratulate and thank all staff involved in making the learning experience for our boys as 'normal' as possible by sticking to the usual timetable and maintaining the daily school routine, even if while still at home. My sense is that the lockdown will continue past the 31st of July. We need to be prepared for the possibility of an extended period in online learning mode. Individual Faculty Heads will make contingency plans to maximise learning opportunities and meet assessment commitments.

Parent -Teacher Night Years 8 & 10



The parents of students in Years 8 & 10 had the opportunity to discuss the progress of their sons with teachers on our Parent Teacher night held on Tuesday evening. Feedback on the evening has been positive. Jamie Kay provided the zoom accounts, parents and students name files and instructions for setting up zoom interviews. His administration and organisation for the event was instrumental in its success. I thank and congratulate him on his work. Thank you to all staff who stepped out once again into unchartered online territory and accomplished their tasks with professional efficiency.

## **Enrolments for 2022**

Enrolment applications for 2022 closed on July 16. All the data have been entered by Maria Glenn and the SASS staff. The teams of Teacher Assessors have picked up their boxes for the first iteration of the assessment by three different Assessors. We hope to finish the process by the end of week 3 and I can start arranging interviews for short listed people. We are discussing what to do about the Placement Tests as it may be some time before prospective short-listed applicants are allowed on site to do the test.

Dr K A Jaggar Principal



# Canteen Report

With the current lockdown and students learning from home, the Canteen will remain closed until further notice. We hope you are all well and are staying safe during this challenging time.

## Canteen Committee Volunteer

We are looking for new volunteers to join the SBHS Canteen committee. The Committee assists our canteen managers to ensure the canteen runs efficiently for the benefit of the boys and the school.

If you would like to job-share in the Canteen Volunteer Coordinator position, please send an email to canteen@sbhs.nsw.edu.au. The Volunteer Coordinator, in consultation with the canteen managers, organises the daily roster of parent volunteers. Most of the work is done remotely, and our meetings are held via Zoom on the second Wednesday of every month for an hour, starting at 6:00pm.

Please consider joining the committee to help the school, meet new parents and learn new skills.



# Canteen Volunteer

Our Canteen is always in need of helpers as we require three to four volunteers each day to function smoothly, so please consider joining our team of volunteers. We are extremely flexible and will gratefully accept any time you can donate to the Canteen and the students. If you have an hour, or more, to spare on a regular or ad hoc basis, please contact us by any of the following means:

- fill out the Canteen Volunteer Registration form
- send an email to <u>canteen@sbhs.nsw.edu.au</u>
- call us on 9662-9350

It is a great opportunity to meet other parents, share stories and learn from each other. No prior experience is required as we will provide full training.

We want to thank the following parents for volunteering in

the Canteen in the last few days of Term 2:

23 June: Emma Pham, Polly Lee, Xiaoyan Xu24 June: Amy Xia, Michelle Wang, Sunny Song,

Xiaoyan Xu

25 June: Clara Qiao, Emma Pham, Geetanjali

Parulkar, Sunny Song, Wing Yee Ma

Also, thank you very much to our dedicated Prefects and SRC students for helping out at the Canteen. We would



not be able to cope without them and greatly appreciate their assistance.

Tania Kirkland
President Canteen Committee





# LOVE **YOUR** LIBRARY

# A Library at Home

With the school in lockdown again and stricter restrictions being enforced on movement, it has left us all wondering when things will return to normal. For those of us that enjoy visiting our local school and public libraries, access to physical books, magazines and resources are virtually impossible.

However, at SBHS we are fortunate to have a number of online subscriptions including SORA and Wheelers e-books which give you access to a range of e-books, audio books and magazines for free.

Whats new in SORA?

SORA has a wide variety of newly released graphic novels and comics which are popular amongst young teenagers.

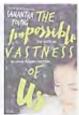
Take your pick and have a read.



#### Whats new in Wheelers?

Wheelers has a much more exhaustive collection (in my opinion) and includes many Australian authors. I would highly recommend having a look.













#### How do we access these resources?

Our SORA and Wheelers online catalogue can be found on the Oliver homepage of both the junior and senior libraries. Alternatively, you can login using the following links: <a href="https://soraapp.com/library/nswsecondaryau">https://soraapp.com/library/nswsecondaryau</a> <a href="https://sbhs.wheelers.co/">https://sbhs.wheelers.co/</a>

Happy reading!
Rian Wiramihardja
Sydney Boys High McDonald Senior Library
Teacher and Librarian

FROM THE ANDREWS LIBRARY 2021 Premier's Reading Challenge Entries due 20 August



# Welcome to the NSW Premier's Reading Challenge

The 2021 Challenge dates are as follows: Challenge opens: Monday 1 March 1 2021

Challenge closes for students: Friday 20 August 2021 Challenge closes for coordinators: Friday 3 September 2021

This is a reminder to any boy from Year 7 to Year 10 who has read 20 books since last September that we would love to support your entry to this Challenge. We also give you 3 Award Scheme Points for entering the Challenge and a further 2 points for submitting 20 4-part multiple choice questions to our Library (one question per book).

There are some provisos – Validation works only if you email our library with proof of reading of 20 books – loan histories from other libraries work well for this. Parents can also guarantee that purchased books or eBooks were read - lists of what is what are needed. You also need to fill in your entry form on the PRC Website.

Queries to our library if your books do not match the PRC reading list are very welcome.

<u>Library@sbhs.nsw.edu.au</u>
Mrs Crothers
Sydney Boys High Andrews Library
Teacher and Librarian



## **Term 3 Music Performance Program**

All music ensemble rehearsals are suspended until further notice.

Private Instrumental lessons are to continue online. (Please note: Private Lessons can not be scheduled during school hours during the school week as students must attend academic online lessons. Exception: free periods for senior students)

Updates regarding the Music Performance Program will be notified to parents and guardians via SZapp and High Notes. Students will be notified via the Music Performance Canvas page.

## Parent/Guardian/Student Communication

<u>Parents and Guardians</u>: Please download **SZapp** from the Apple App Store or Google Play and subscribe to 'MUSIC.' Installation guide can be found in the school's High Notes.

<u>Students</u> will be notified of any music news and notifications via the Music Performance Program CANVAS page, school's daily notices and High Notes. Students are responsible to read and keep updated of any Music Performance Program related events/material on a regular basis.

Attention Music Ensemble Students: If you are in the Music Ensembles Program and have not yet received a Music Performance Program Canvas invitation, please email the Music Department: <a href="music@sbhs.nsw.edu.au">music@sbhs.nsw.edu.au</a> Please note: Students will also be notified of any music related events during ensemble rehearsals.

#### Sydney Youth Orchestra (SYO)

Auditions for the SYO 2022 program are open. Applications close on Wednesday 1 September. The SYO is the leading orchestral training and education programs provider in New South Wales. This is a comprehensive system that ensures musicians progress through the orchestras, developing individual and ensemble skills under the careful guidance of SYO's artistic staff.

For more information, please visit: https://syo.com.au/



ALL Music Ensembles are SUSPENDED until further notice 2021 Music Ensemble Schedule

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Intermediate Concert Band 7.45am – 8.45am Room 201	Senior Concert Band & Symphony Orchestra 7.45am – 8.45am Room 201	Junior Stage Band 7.45am – 8.45am Room 101	Intermediate Stage Band 7.45am – 8.45am Room 101	Senior Strings Ensemble 7.45am – 8.45am Room 101
Guitar Ensemble 7.45am – 8.45am Room 202		Senior Stage Band 7.45am – 8.45am Room 201	Philharmonic Orchestra 7.45am – 8.45am Room 201	Chamber Choir 8.00am – 9.00am Room 201
			Junior Strings Ensemble 7.45am – 8.45am Room 203 Terms 1 & 2 only	Marching Band 8.00am – 9.00am MPW Terms 1 & 4 only
Guitar Ensemble 3.20m – 4.20pm Room 201	Marching Band 3.30pm – 4.30pm Great Hall Terms 1 & 4 only	Percussion Ensemble 3.20pm – 4.20pm Room 201		Jazz Ensemble 3.30pm – 4.30pm Room 201

2021 Term 2-Term 3 Music Events Calendar

WEEK	DATE	EVENT	MUSIC STUDENTS INVOLVED
Week 3B	Thursday 29 July	HSC Music 2 & Extension Composition Recording, 9.00am-3.15pm (Room 201)	HSC Music 2 & Extension Students
Week 4C	Monday 2 August	HSC Music 1, 2 & Extension Trial Practical Examination, All Day, Great Hall	HSC Music 1, 2 & Extension Students
Week 8A- 9B	Mon 30 August  - Friday 10 September TBC	HSC Music 1, 2 & Extension Practical Examination TBC-NESA to release dates	HSC Music 1, 2 & Extension Students

Music Events are continually added and/or are subject to change





# SYDNEY BOYS HIGH SCHOOL

Sir Roden Cutler and Lady Cutler Foundation Scholarship



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Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
3 B	26 Class test: 10MaL-P2 HSC Trial Drama Practical Exam, room 204 Yeaer 12 presentation, University of Tasmania Medicine Zoom, 15:45	27	28 The Great Hall: HSC Music Rehearsal, 13:00-14:30	29	Music: HSC Music composition recording, Rooms 101, 201, all day Music: HSC Music 1, 2 + Extension Rehearsals, The Great Hall	31 Music: HSC Music 1, 2 + Extension Rehearsals, The Great Hall, 11:00-16:30	Music: HSC Music 1, 2 + Extension Rehearsals, The Great Hall
4 C	2  PDHPE: 1600m Run, Y7 to Y10  Year 12 presentation: UQ, 11:10, zoom  Class tests: 8Mal-P4, 7MaM-P5  Music: HSC Music 1, 2 + Extension Performance  Trial Examination, The Great Hall	3 Class test: 9MaP-P4 Music: HSC Music 1, 2 + Extension Performance Trial Examination, The Great Hall	4 Last day of winter sport (Y10-12)	5 Australian Mathematics Competition, Great Hall, p2 Last day of winter sport (Y7-9)	6 Debating: SHS v TKS	7	8 Room Booking: The Great Hall, 12:00-18:00
5 A	9 Year 8 Meeting, selected locations, 09:55-10:20 Basketball: Sydney East CHS 15 years; Rounds 3,4, Sutherland Basketball Stadium P+C Executive Meeting, Zoom video conference, 17:00 P+C Meeting, Zoom video conference, 18:30-20:00	10 ICAS Science Competition, online (tbc) Basketball: Year 9 House Competition School Council Meeting, Board Room, 17:30-19:00	Change to summer sport/athletics (Y10-11) Winter sport Reports to be submitted to W drive winter sport record reports Preliminary HSC Mathematics assessment - P1, P2	12 Sports Council Meeting, Board Room, 07:30 Change to athletics (Y7-9) Australian Informatics Olympiad, selected students Years 10-12 (tbc) The Great Hall: Entrance Test for 2022 Enrolment Applicants, 16:30-17:30	13 Year 7 Meeting, Selected Locations, 10:15-10:40 Debating: SHS v SJC	14 Athletics: GPS Invitational 1 Room Booking: The Great Hall, 20:00-02:00	15
6 B	16 Years 11 and 12 Study Day Music: HSC Music 1, 2 + Extension Completion Submission Date Water Polo: SE trials (tbc)	17 Trial HSC Basketball: Year 9 House Competition Foundation meeting, 18:30-20:30	18 Trial HSC Elevate: Kickstart, Year 7, P1, normal classrooms	Trial HSC Year 10 Physics assessment: The Great Hall, 13:30-15:00	20 Trial HSC Debating: SIC v SHS	21 Athletics: GPS Invitational 2	22