

Principal's Report

Congratulations to:

- Thomas Brander, Dobin Haam, Alisha Moodley and Jessica Vu for their outstanding contribution to the recent Business Partnership Committee held last week. Many thanks to Pam Bregonis, our business partners and most of all, Ms Stell for coordinating this worthwhile initiative.
- Lois McKenzie and Elias Bartholomeo who gave a wonderful musical performance at the Raise graduation ceremony held on Monday afternoon.
- All Year 9 students who participated so positively in the Raise Mentoring program this year. The mentors spoke very highly of the maturity and engagement shown by our students at the recent graduation ceremony.
- Year 12 Music students for their excellent performances in the HSC practical exam.
- Ms Heslop, Ms Lawrence (and her husband) and our volunteering students who have worked tirelessly to construct our new vegetable garden next to J Block. This is an exciting project made possible by the financial support from Orica.



- All students and teachers who participated in the Year 12 Talent Quest on Wednesday. It was an outstanding event organised by Year 12 and Ms Lawrence.

NAPLAN results have arrived!

NAPLAN results have arrived and have been sent home in the post this week. Due to the late timing of these results arriving in school, our NAPLAN presentation for parents will be held later in Term 4. More information will follow next term.



Staffing

It is time to sadly farewell Ms Watkins from SSHS, as she will be moving back to Canberra to live. Ms Watkins has contributed to the SSHS community in many different ways. Apart from her outstanding Mathematical skills, she has also contributed to the Chess Program, SSCIM, Dance Club, staff band plus many different sporting teams. Ms Watkins has made a huge difference to the lives of many students at SSHS and I would like to acknowledge her boundless energy, commitment and dedication to the profession. We are going to miss you!

Year 10 Formal – not a school sanctioned event

This is a reminder that South Sydney High School does not endorse the Year 10 formal. This is not a school sanctioned event and therefore no teachers will be attending this event.

Farewell Year 12

Congratulations to our Year 12 students who attended the Graduation Ceremony last night and many thanks to Mr Benischke for his overall organisation of this significant event. Under the guidance of Ms Eades, our hard working P&C provided a delicious supper, graduation cake and decorations in the Hall and it was lovely to see a wonderful group of students so well supported by family, extended family members and friends. I would like to publicly acknowledge Ms Lawrence and the care and support she has shown to her students since becoming Year Adviser in 2017.

On behalf of the staff, I would like to wish Year 12 all the very best as they prepare for their HSC exams.

P&C Meeting

The next P&C meeting will be the AGM and will take place on Tuesday 13th November, at 7.00 pm in the Staff Common Room. This will be the last official meeting for Pam Bregonis who has been a very special member of the P&C for the last 12 years. Pam has devoted a huge amount of time, effort, commitment and support to our school. More information regarding a celebration of Pam's long serving commitment to the school will be communicated next term.



Reflections

I would like to congratulate our wonderful SSHS student body for the way in which they have conducted themselves this term. We are a school of high achievers in all walks of life - classroom, sporting field, playground and in the community, all working towards achieving their personal best. Keep up the great work South Sydney!

Have a safe and happy holiday – I look forward to seeing you bright and refreshed for Term 4.

Robyn Matthews

Principal

Happy Holidays

Have a happy and safe holiday.

School resumes for students in Years 7 - 11 on

Monday 15th October 2018.

Attention Year 10 Students and Parents

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Please note that NESA deadlines for Year 10 grades have been brought forward.

To meet the new deadline, we have moved the Year 10 end of year exams from Week 6 to
Week 4 of Term 4.

We thank you for your understanding.

Behaviour Expectations

New Behaviour Expectations for 2019

We are in the process of reviewing and updating our behaviour policy, with changes planned for 2019. So far, we have surveyed groups of students and teachers about behaviour expectations they feel are important. A survey with their top responses is open and we would love your feedback. You can access the survey on the school website or Facebook page. It will take about 5 minutes to complete.

HSIE News

HSIE subject- Business Studies- Keeps giving back at SSHS

Business Studies is loved so much by former students that they often return to share their tips for the HSC. Thank you David Mould, Dux of 2017 and first in Business studies who came back for a visit to thank the school that has helped him on his way to success. Now studying Engineering and Commerce at NSW University, he shared with our current HSC cohort his insight and experience when sitting the HSC examination. This included: what to do when preparing, how to motivate yourself and how he remembered all the content that he needed to score highly. It was great to see him even more confident and generous in sharing his advice and clever tips for success! Best wishes to all the Business Studies students this year! Thank you also to one of our favourite sons- David Mould.

Helen Stell



A message from Mr Filby

It appears that a number of students at our school are using an app called Tellonym . This app allows users to make comments, regardless of how inappropriate or cruel, about other users, while keeping their identity anonymous. This app serves little purpose other than to demean people and hurt feelings. If your child has this app, I ask that you have them delete it.

Some things to think about:

Do you know what apps your child has on his/her phone? Do you know what each app does or has the potential to do? Are you able to see what your child posts? Are you able to see what other people post in reply to your child's post?

There are many websites that list apps that have cause for concern. I suggest that you search for such websites and discuss with your child the dangers and negative repercussions of using such apps.

Mr N. Filby
Deputy Principal

P & C News

We have a few upcoming events –

We are holding a **Bunnings BBQ & cake stall on Sunday 4th November** (at the Mascot store). We are seeking both volunteers to help on the day (from about 7.30am until 4pm), as well as donations of cakes/biscuits/slices. If you can spare an hour or two of your time on that day, please email us with your availability and we will add you to our roster. Cake boxes will be available from the front office closer to the event.

The second hand uniform shop is run by the P&C and is open every Friday afternoon from 3.00pm-3.30pm. All items are \$3 each (cash only). The shop is located at the back of the school hall.

Our next meeting is our AGM, which is then followed by a general meeting. We are always happy to have new members, so please consider coming along. The date for this meeting is 13th November – 7pm in the Staff Common Room.

Justine Jennings
sshspandc@gmail.com

Congratulations



Jada Morris, in Year 11 has successfully completed a 20 week pre-construction course with Hutchinson Builders. Jada will hopefully gain an apprenticeship as a result.

Well done Jada!

Good Luck

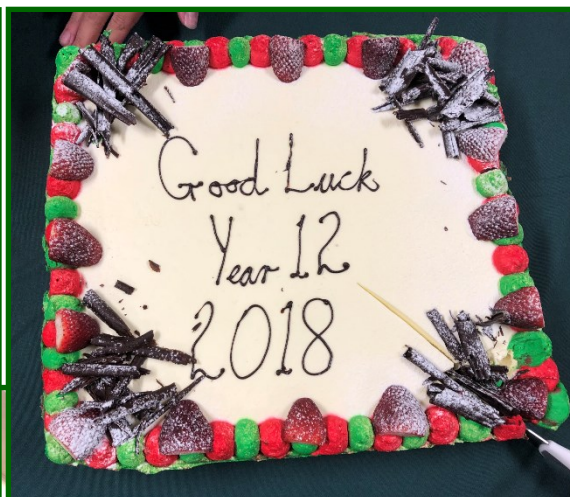
Good luck to our Year 12 students as you finish your preparations for the HSC examinations.



Year 12 Graduation

What a wonderful evening shared by parents, carers, teachers and our fabulous Year 12 class of 2018. Mr Benischke and his team did us proud and we celebrated yet another milestone in the lives of our students.

A very special thank you to the amazing Ms Lawrence for her hard work, dedication and support as Year 12 Adviser.



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