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Principal's Report

Welcome back to Term 4

I hope students (and parents) were able to enjoy a break from our busy lives and enjoy some relaxing times during the holidays. South Sydney High School however, was a busy place with the installation of our solar panels on the J Block roof and gymnasium. I would like to acknowledge and thank James Grimshaw (Year 11), Ms Maynard and Ms Lopez for their combined efforts to bring this project to fruition. This is a legacy which will eventually assist with the costs associated with the recent installation of air conditioners and a positive way to reduce our power usage.



Changes

This is probably the hardest report I have ever had to write.

I will be leaving South Sydney High School later this term as I have accepted the position of Foundation Principal at the new Inner Sydney High School. I have been so privileged to work in such a welcoming community where students, parents and teachers work together to create the best positive outcomes and genuinely care for each other.

I would like to thank the countless parents who continue to support our school and trust the decisions which we make. South Sydney High School will continue to be the dynamic school which it is, with a caring and approachable staff who are committed to excellence.

I could not be prouder.



You may have seen from O'Sullivan Avenue the recently completed vegetable garden, which has been financed through a community grant from Orica. This is a fantastic initiative which has been coordinated Ms Heslop and greatly assisted by Ms Lawrence and her husband. Our students have also enjoyed planting seedlings and plants and the garden is a valuable resource for curriculum initiatives.

Kind regards,

Robyn Matthews

Congratulations

Congratulations to our Year 12 students and best of luck as you continue with your HSC examinations.

Parent Teacher Night Information

Thank you to Matt Wood for heading up our Working Party to review our Reporting and Parent Teacher Night Calendars for 2019. We would also like to thank parents who have contributed to this process .

Year 11 into Year 12 Parent Information Night

A big thank you to all the parents who attended the Year 11 into Year 12 Parent Information Night.



Duke of Edinburgh Award



Congratulations

We would like to congratulate Brendan Wardrop, Logan Ingle and Scott Twaddell for achieving their Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award! This huge achievement has involved commitment and perseverance. Well done!

Qualifying Hike

The next adventurous journey – the qualifying hike will be happening in Week 3. Bronze and Silver students will be participating in their final overnight hike on part of the Great North Walk to demonstrate the navigation, camp craft and teamwork skills they've learnt this year. It is important that students attend all meetings and planning sessions prior to the hike.

Gifted, Talented & Enrichment

Junior SSCIM Camp

It's that wonderful time of the year again when year 7 & 8 students begin to think about our annual SSCIM Camp. Our Wednesday SSCIM Club meetings are beginning to buzz with discussion of possible projects, menus and our daily schedule at SSCIM Camp in amazing Pittwater. This year we will once again be heading to Church Point, Pittwater where we have exclusive use of the beautiful YHA and associated facilities from Wednesday 5th to Friday 7th December. It's not too late to come & get an application form from Ms de Paor in the Drama Room! Hurry though as places are filling fast.

End of Year Enrichment Student Recognition

Once again will be acknowledging the efforts of our Enrichment stream students by presenting each student who successfully made it through the year with a special certificate. We will also be awarding one student in each year group with a 'Spirit of Enrichment' certificate and there will also be a certificate for the most improved student from each year group. The afternoon will take place towards the end of term with the date to be confirmed shortly.



P & C News



Bunnings BBQ and Cake Stall

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 (<u>sshspandc@gmail.com</u>) with your availability and we will add you to our roster.

Cake boxes will be available from the front office from next Wednesday. As the event is on a Sunday, cakes will need to either be dropped off directly to Bunnings (MASCOT) on the day of the BBQ, or alternatively, they can be dropped off to Jane at 92 Robey St, Maroubra, on Saturday afternoon.

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 s hop 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

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School Vaccination Program

2018 School Vaccination Program Reminder for Visit 3 Clinic South Sydney High School



Dear Students, Parents and Guardians,

The South Eastern Sydney Local Health District Immunisation Team are due to attend our school on **Thursday, 8 November 2018**.

This is their third Visit to the school and they will be offering the following vaccinations:

YEAR 7	YEAR 8	YEAR 10 AND 11
 HPV Dose 2 HPV Dose 1 and dTpa for those who were absent at Visit 1 	 HPV Dose 2 for those who did not complete the course in 2017. Students need to have received HPV Dose 1 in 2017 to be eligible 	Meningococcal ACWY Students who did not receive the vaccine at the last Clinic Visit

Any year 7,10 and 11 student who missed any of the vaccinations during the year are required to bring the Consent Card signed by Parent/Guardian to Ms Corlija.

Any student without a Consent Card can get one from Ms Corlija.

Please note that all consent forms will need parent/guardians signature for each vaccine requested. The nurses will not be able to vaccinate your child if this is not done.

If you have questions about the program at school, please contact Ms Corlija on 9349 3868, or the Immunisation Unit, Public Health on 9382 8333.

Ms Jaglika Corlija

Immunisation Records - Year 7

South Sydney High School



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Dear Parent/Guardian,

You Child's Immunisation Record

Under the Public Health Act 2010, primary and secondary schools must request that parents provide an approved immunisation certificate that shows their child's immunisation status.

This change has been made to collect accurate information about children's immunisation status and to help manage disease outbreaks in school and the community.

A copy of the Immunisation Certificate *or* a copy of the Australian Immunisation Register (AIR) Immunisation History Statement *or* AIR Immunisation History Form, can be requested by parents/guardians:

- using their Medicare online account through myGov https://mygov.au/
- using the Medicare express Plus App www.humanservices.gov.au/individuals/subjects/express-plus-mobile-apps
- calling the AIR General Enquires Line on 1800 653 809

South Sydney High School kindly asks you to provide a copy of AIR Immunisation History statement OR AIR Immunisation History Form to Ms Corlija ASAP.

Please read the attachment provided to get a better understanding of our request.

If further information is required, please contact Ms Jaglika Corlija on 9349 3868 during school hours between 8:30 am to 3:30 pm Monday to Friday.

Important facts

- To enrol your child in primary or secondary school, please provide an immunisation certificate, either: an **AIR Immunisation History Statement** (for a child that is up to date, not up to date or can't be immunised for medical reasons or has natural immunity) OR an **AIR Immunisation History Form** (for a child on an approved catch-up schedule).
- If an approved immunisation certificate is not provided at enrolment, students can still be enrolled at school but they will be considered as unimmunised in the school's immunisation register.
- Students without an approved immunisation certificate and those who are unimmunised may be excluded from school if there is an outbreak of a vaccine preventable disease at the school OR if they come into contact with a person with a vaccine preventable disease, even if there is no outbreak at the school.
- NSW Health works closely with schools to offer the vaccines recommended for adolescents in a school-based vaccination program. In 2018. human papillomavirus (HPV) and diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis (dTpa) vaccines are being offered in Year 7 while Meningococcal ACWY vaccine is being offered in Years 10 and 11.

More information

Australian Immunisation Register www.humanservices.gov.au/individuals/ services/medicare/australian-immunisationregister

NSW Health

www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation

NSW Health 'Save the Date to Vaccinate'

www.immunisation.health.nsw.gov.au

Australian Government Department of Health Immunise Australia Program www.immunise.health.gov.au

Save the Date app

Download the handy SAVE THE DATE phone app or print a personalised schedule at immunisation.health.nsw.gov.au



Windows Store

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Primary and Secondary school entry & information Parent

Wrap up Term 3 in TAS

Year 9 Food Technology

The Year 9 Food tech class has just finished their topic on -

Food - "The Australian Identity". To complete the practical component of the course we prepared a Mediterranean feast.



Year 7 Technology Mandatory

Year 7 worked on their Engineering unit where they made their "Rally Buggy". This is an introduction to basic engineering concepts as well as timber construction. All students thoroughly enjoyed the unit and raced other class members.



Great News! Laptops in Action

We thought we'd share with you some photos of our laptops in action! More to come in the next newsletter.











Year 7 and Year 8 CAPA Showcase

7 & 8

2018

CAPA SHOWCASE

Visual Arts, Music and Drama

Reserved Seating: Trybooking.com/439674

> Tuesday 27th November Margaret Fischer Hall 6pm to 8pm South Sydney HS Ph: 9349 3868

Year 8 - VALID Test



Dear Year 8 Parent or Carer

The Validation of Assessment for Learning & Individual Development (VALID) test for Year 8 students will be held on Thursday 1st November **2018**. The test takes approximately 70 minutes. The **VALID Science 8** test is an interactive, multimedia test completed entirely on a computer. *VALID Science 8* contains multiple choice, short response and extended response tasks that are grouped around real-world issues, including scientific investigations. This is a diagnostic test, with tasks framed on Stage 4 outcomes and essential content in the NSW Science Years K–10 Syllabus. Students will be tested on their:

- knowledge and understanding of science
- understanding and skills in the process of scientific investigation
- ability to evaluate evidence, make judgements and think critically
- ability to access information and communicate scientific ideas.

Students also complete a survey about their opinions, attitudes and values about science and technology.

Since students complete VALID Science & Technology 8 on a computer, each student needs to bring headphones or earbuds that plug into a school computer. Earbuds for an iPod or portable player are suitable.

If your child has a disability that needs special consideration or has been educated in English for less than one year, please contact your child's school to discuss special provisions or possible exemption from the test.

Results of the test will be available during Term 1 2019. Information about each student is treated confidentially and held securely to ensure that the right to privacy of all students is maintained. A personal report for each student will be sent to parents/carers to describe the science knowledge and skills demonstrated by the student in the test. There will also be information about how your child's results compare with overall performance of all students in the test.

The principal of your child's school is able to provide you with more details about the VALID program if you require additional information.

Yours sincerely

Jenny Donovan Executive Director, Centre for Education Statistics and Evaluation Department of Education

GIRLS ONLY YOGA *Tree Spring Classes* AGES 13 - 18



6 WEEK

WAYS BONDI BEACH

63A WAIROA AVE BONDI BEACH



4:30 - 5:30 PM Come on time! WATER & MATS PROVIDED

Let's practice together for strength, flexibility and relaxation. These empowering sessions with Flow & Grow Yoga assist with stress management, individual expression and self care stratagies. Places are limited, please call 9365 2500 or email ruby@ways.org.au for more information