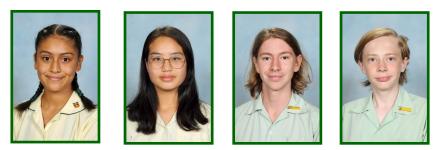
SOUTH SYDNEY HIGH SCHOOL

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Principal's Report

• Cleo Scheihing, Jess Vu, Brendan Wardrop and Tom Brander from Year 10 were excellent ambassadors for our school at the Business Partnership Meeting held on Wednesday in Week 8. Our students behaved in a very professional manner and their valuable contributions and mature behaviour were most impressive.



• Year 8 students who were a credit to the school as they enjoyed an excursion to Wet and Wild last week



 All students who participated in the White Ribbon activities in week 6. This is an important opportunity for our school community to show our commitment to stop violence against women. It builds on existing initiatives to strengthen a culture of respect and equality at all levels of the school community – through curriculum, role modelling from staff, policies and procedures, domestic violence education programs and strengthened family and community partnerships. The white ribbon displayed on the school fence was made by our school staff and students and served as a visual reminder of this

commitment.

 Year 10 boys who participated so positively in the Good Men Good Relationships workshop held on Thursday. This is a very a powerful program which has been designed by Ms Stell and is facilitated by a number of business mentors and coordinated by Mr Wood.



New Enrolments 2030?Congratulations – new babies

Ben Flewellen and his wife Sinead who welcomed a beautiful daughter, Ava, a little sister to two older brothers, Sam and Harvey. 2018 has been a bumper year for SSHS babies, and first time Dads, Ashley Warrington and wife Bec welcomed Sonny and in September Tim and Ellen Moreland welcomed little Isabelle. What an exciting Christmas Day awaits them!

New Appointments

Congratulations to Jo Graham who was successful through the Merit Selection process and has been appointed to SSHS in a permanent 0.6 role as Learning Support Teacher. We also welcome Julie Maddocks who joins us as School Librarian and thank Christine Layton for the innovative work that she has done as Librarian filling in for Fiona Blair. We would also like to congratulate Jodie Kelso, who will be moving to the Inner Sydney High School to take up a role as Head Teacher Administration. This is a long term ambition realised and we wish Jodie every success in this new role and thank her for the great work she has done (wearing her many hats) at SSHS.

Executive Development Day and the School Plan 2018-2020

Recently, the School Executive (made up of Principal, Deputy Principal and Head Teachers) attended a very productive Executive Development Day and worked collaboratively on a number of whole school initiatives including reviewing progress on the SSHS School Plan milestones for 2018-2020.

Head Teachers also spent time reviewing the School Vision and sharing faculty directions. We hope that students, staff and parents will reap the benefits from our refreshed Student Recognition System and the Quality Behaviour Expectations which have been comprehensively reviewed by staff, students and parents and will be put in place in 2019.

CAPA Junior Showcase

Many thanks to Ms Hardy, Ms Gregov, Mr Baggeley, Ms Sainty, Ms Kite, Ms De Paor and Mr Spencer for their hard work and dedication and congratulations to all students who performed in the outstanding Junior CAPA Showcase held on Tuesday night. It was an opportunity to showcase our talented Music and Drama students and wonderful work on display from our Visual Arts students. Both teachers and students appreciated such a wonderful reception from the sell -out audience, which was very much appreciated.

Transition program for Year 7 Students 2018

We had a very successful Yea 6 Orientation Day last Tuesday attended by over 100 families. This event occurs Statewide and is a vital part of our transition program to support students starting high school and a valuable way to gather information to support a positive start to high school life.

In 2019, we will be welcoming 120 excited students to our school community, which is a significant increase in student numbers. Please continue to spread the word about the wonderful opportunities at South Sydney High School.

Kind regards Cathy Walton Principal

Not returning to SSHS in 2019?

Please inform the front office in writing (via email or letter) if you will not be attending school on the first day of 2019. We need to know when your child/ren will be returning so that we can hold their place at the school open We are required to follow up all absences at this time as we confirm school enrolments for 2019.

School to Work Opportunities

Congratulations to all students involved in School to Work opportunities 2018. We are most fortunate to have had the opportunity to participate in the YES (Youth Engagement Strategy) Program at Randwick and Ultimo TAFE. It was a great success with the students enjoying working in the TAFE environment.

This fantastic opportunity provided an alternative learning environment to increase employment ready skills and confidence in the workplace.

Thank you to the Plumbing, Visual Merchandising and Floristry Faculties at TAFE for this great experience.





Following the TAFE Experience, several students have had the opportunity to participate in Work Experience during Term 4.

These students include:

- Brayden Lang Weller Automotive and Cooper OPar
- Daniel Kopasakis Viacon Projects Pty Ltd
- James Kelly Hines Electrical Services
- Daniel Rennie PCI Architectural Pty Ltd
- Max Davis M & M Plumbing
- Baylei McGuigan North End Café
- Briana Christensen Pagewood Kindy
- Shanae Brown Glue Store and Blue Gum Cottage Children's Centre

The students have worked very hard and hopefully may secure a job, Apprenticeships, or Traineeship.



News on the Principal position from our Director.....



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Regarding: Leadership at South Sydney High School

Dear Parents and Carers

I am writing to keep you informed of the timeline for the merit selection process for the new substantive Principal of South Sydney High School.

The position was advertised today, Wednesday 5 December 2018 and applications will close on Wednesday 19 December 2018. This means the process will go into Term 1 2019.

Ms Cathy Walton will continue as the Acting Principal until the new Principal can take up the position either during Term 1 or at the commencement of Term 2, 2019.

I thank you for your support of South Sydney High School.

I also take this opportunity to wish you a safe and happy holiday period.

If you have any queries please don't hesitate to contact me on 9582 5800.

Yours sincerely

Susan Shelley Director Educational Leadership Botany Bay Principals Network 5 December 2018



Year 7 & 8 - CAPA Showcase

Congratulations to all the students who contributed to CAPA Showcase on Tuesday night. The packed hall was an indication of the value placed on the arts as integral to our student's overall education. The audience were impressed by the quality of the performances and artworks. It is wonderful to witness how the students support each other and how those with previous stage experience have grown in confidence. The junior showcase is a positive way to celebrate and share student creative achievements in CAPA with the school community. We look forward to many more successful nights.

The CAPA teachers – Ms Gregov, Ms Sainty, Mr Baggaley, Ms De Paor, Ms Sandeman and Mr Carroll worked very hard to present the evening as a true showcase of student work. We appreciate the efforts of all the staff and students who volunteered their time to assist the faculty to run this event.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the SSHS community for your ongoing support of CAPA Showcases. It is sad to be leaving such a wonderful faculty behind after 15 years, but memories will be all good.

Remember we need to keep the A in SteAm. Please keep supporting the creative and performing arts as an essential part of our children's education.



Sharon Hardy

Year 10 Celebration Assembly

This ceremony will be held on **Tuesday 11th December 2018** in the Hall from **1.30pm-3pm**.

Parents and carers of Year 10 students are welcome to join us for this event. Every Year 10 student will receive a certificate to acknowledge their graduation from the junior school and will be presented to the school community on stage in the hall. A range of other special awards will also be presented to Year 10 award winners.

Leadership Training Day

Last month we participated in learning about what leaders need to be able to do to be effective. We learnt about delegation, goal setting and working in a team. Leadership is always about service and helping others to be their best. Thank you to Ms Maynard, Mr Benischke and to Ms Stell for their contributions and enthusiasm.

South Sydney High School Leadership Team



Beacon Opportunity

Good Men come to South Sydney for the day!

On Thursday November 29th a group of very good corporate men came to South Sydney High to workshop and present on men's issues as part of our Good Men Good Relationships program Day. Such issues included; mental health, suicide, resilience, what it means to be a man, goals and domestic violence. A packed day that was facilitated by White Ribbon Australia, United Way, and some very special personalities. First Gus Worland Triple MMM DJ and producer of the ABC "Man-up" series spoke about having tools to deal with young men's emotions, Chris Futcher-Coles talked about domestic violence and the wonderful Shane Heal, 4 time Olympian and basketballer spoke on resilience. Our friends at South Cares donated 50 footballs as gifts for the students and our friends at Kelloggs gave us some fantastic treats for the students. Other businesses that regularly involve themselves are DB Shenker, T.Rowe Price, and ex South Sydney High Students Mike Owen and Michael Lazaris. Two of our Student Ambassadors also presented and deserve great praise; they were Brendan Wardrop and Dobin Seol. Such is the community and business support for what we do here at South Sydney High. Our thanks to Mr Matt Wood who hosted the day and to Mrs Helen Stell for creating the program. We cannot wait for what is in store next year.

The Student Ambassadors 2018



Science

It has certainly been a busy Term 4 in the SSHS Science department.

All year groups have successfully navigated our brand new laptop sets, which have far superior specifications than any portable device previously accessible at SSHS. Students have collected experimental data in Microsoft Excel, filmed experiments and student presentations using the multiple cameras, and sketched scientific diagrams with the HP stylus and illustrator software.

Year 8 Science and Mathematics teachers have collaborated on a cross-faculty project, where students are applying their scientific knowledge and skills in statistics to construct info-graphics on an endangered species.

Year 8, 9 and 10 Science students have been experimenting with pocket-sized coding robots called 'OzoBots'. An Ozobot can identify lines, colors, and codes on both digital and physical surfaces, and are being used by our students to create interactive models of various ecological cycles, the carbon cycle and to follow the path of a murder mystery.

Year 9 Marine and Aquaculture Technology students have been completing their online snorkelling training modules in the lead up to their first snorkelling workshop at Malabar beach on the 6th December. Students will be awarded an international certification through Scuba Schools International after successful completion of the course on the day.

All Year 11 HSC Science classes are currently working through the brand new courses in Biology, Physics, Chemistry and Investigating Science. Biology students have just finished their first assessment task, where senior students created physical models in order to explain protein synthesis to year 10 students. Physics students completed their first assessment task looking at projectile motion. Other classes will have their first assessment task in the coming weeks, we wish these students the best of luck.







Event sponsored by WALSH'S VILLAGE PHARMACY Supporting sponsor Randwick City Council

South Maroubra Christmas Party Saturday 15th Dec. 2018 2pm-5pm FABULOUS "FREE" FUN FAIR

Fun Things Car Slide Jumping Castles Giant Boot Camp Little Carousel Truck Ride Shiho Sparkle Hooper Xmas Craft Workshop Face Painting Elves Spablo the Clown Fairy Floss

All for Free See you there!!!

Giant Lucky Door Prize-on the Day \$500 WALSH'S Voucher-Be in it!! Plus a stack of \$20 voucher draws All Day!! All this & Barrels of Fun-See you there!! Enquiries: 9311 0088 www.walshspharmacy.com.au





GIRLS GUIDE TO BASIC CAR MAINTENANCE for young girls 16 -18 years old

Join us for an interactive and hands on car maintenance workshop designed to educate young women about basic car maintenance. Workshops are conducted by qualified mechanics and will show you how to check your car's basic systems.

The aim of the workshops is to bring local girls together in a comfortable and friendly environment, and give them the chance to broaden their knowledge of basic car maintenance and feel confident when it comes to dealing with their cars and tyres.

SKILLS COVERED

How to change a tyre

- How to care for tyres and check the pressure
- How to check the oil and coolant, fluids, battery and hoses
- The basic understanding of how an engine works to keep it running smoothly and safely

TIME, DATE AND LOCATION

- Friday 7 December
- 4:30pm to 6:30pm
- Girls Night at Eastlakes Youth Drop In Alf Kay Eastlakes Community Hall
 2 Florence Avenue

Bookings are Essential! Please Contact: Yasemin on 0447 116 805 or Yasemin.secim@bayside.nsw.gov.au

