

## 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 many HSC Workshops at school a new roof on A Block.

During the holidays I travelled with three other Principals to Japan and Korea promoting South Sydney High School and all NSW Government schools. I was involved in visiting schools, demonstration lessons and meeting with Boards of Education of the respective countries. NSW Government schools and the HSC are highly valued overseas.



### Homework Club

We have started a fully staffed Homework Club at South Sydney High School. The homework centre will run in the library 2.45pm - 4.45pm every Tuesday. The centre will be staffed by two University Students and ex students of South Sydney High School. They are able to cover most subjects 7-12 and provide individual and group help with specific subjects or general organisational and study hints.

Below are profiles of our tutors:

My name is Ketti Ketmontri and I graduated from South Sydney High School in 2018. You might have heard my name because I was vice captain and was actively involved in school activities. I am one of the new tutors at South Sydney High School Homework Centre and I am very passionate about tutoring and training the great students at South Sydney in anything they need help with.

I am currently studying in my first year at UNSW, completing a dual degree of Renewable Energy Engineering and Ecology (Honours). I would love to help any student that needs help with homework in any subjects, specialising in Senior sciences such as physics and biology, as well as music, maths, English and other 7-10 subjects.





Hi, my name is David Mould and I am one of the new tutors at the homework club. I graduated from South Sydney High School in 2017. I was the school captain and dux of the school and was involved in many extracurricular activities such as Ambassador in the SSHS Opportunity Program, School Volunteering and Duke of Edinburgh Award. I am now currently studying Renewable Energy Engineering and Commerce at UNSW. Since departing the school, I have been tutoring students with different capabilities in an array of subjects including Mathematics, Science, Business Studies, English and Engineering Studies from Years 7-12. I would love to help any student to achieve their goals just like the amazing teachers at South Sydney High School helped me do so.

Please use this valuable resource, if demand is great enough then the school may look at offering a second day.

### Edrolo

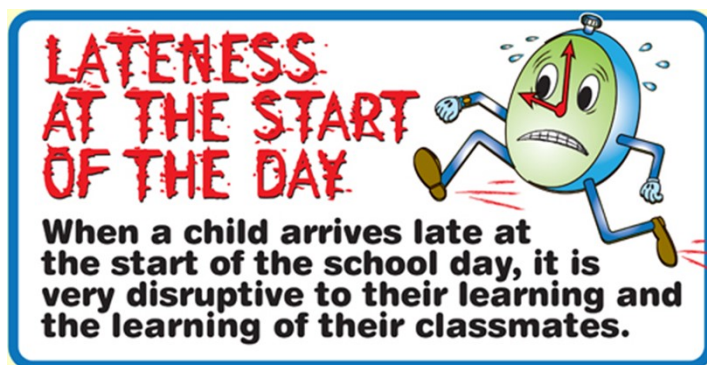
Year 12 students (2020) have access to the online learning platform Edrolo. Edrolo provides students with engaging, informative and comprehensive presentations to help them understand and learn all they need to know for their exams.



Edrolo can really help to ensure that students do their best during the HSC years. With comprehensive and engaging video lectures, supported by worked examples from past exams and interactive quizzes, Edrolo can help students understand, clarify and revise the content that teachers cover in the classroom. If any student is having trouble logging onto the Edrolo site please see Mr Wiseman or Mrs Neilsen.

### Attendance

I have spoken before about the importance of students attending everyday and on time. There a number of students who continue to arrive late to school on a regular basis and or have attendance rates that are below acceptable standards. This term students who continue to be late to school may be issued with an afternoon detention on Thursday Afternoons 3:15am-4pm in room B1.



### Uniform

South Sydney High School is a uniform school, most students have returned to school this term looking great in their uniform. A reminder that the leather shoes are part of the uniform and wearing of leather shoes is a WHS issue for several subjects. Please ensure your child is in the correct shoes. Excessive jewellery and acrylic nails can also pose a WHS issue and are not part of the school uniform. Please see photos of correct uniform on the following page.

### Student Numbers

If you know anyone else that is wishing to apply to come to South Sydney High School, please contact the school as soon as possible as we are currently working on the number of classes and the timetable. If you are moving, please let us know as soon as possible so can accurately forecast our student numbers for 2020. We also ask if you are traveling and will be away the first few days of the 2020 school year please provide a note so we can count every student in the Department of Education auditing processes.

Kind regards, Janice Neilsen



# School Uniform

JUNIOR SUMMER UNIFORM

SENIOR SUMMER UNIFORM

Girls  
lemon  
blouse

Girls  
tartan  
skirt



Boys  
green  
shirt

Boys  
black  
shorts



Girls shorts/skorts

Girls  
white  
blouse

Girls  
green  
skirt



Boys  
white  
shirt

Boys  
black  
pants /  
shorts

SPORT UNIFORM

WINTER UNIFORM

Unisex  
polo  
shirt

Microfibre  
shorts





Unisex  
Tracksuit

Girls  
green  
pants




Fleece  
jumper

Boys  
black  
pants

UNISEX JUMPERS

ACCESSORIES



Wool v-neck

Polar fleece ¼ zip



Microfibre jacket

Tie

Girls and Boys





White socks or black

Baseball cap  
or wide  
brimmed  
hat





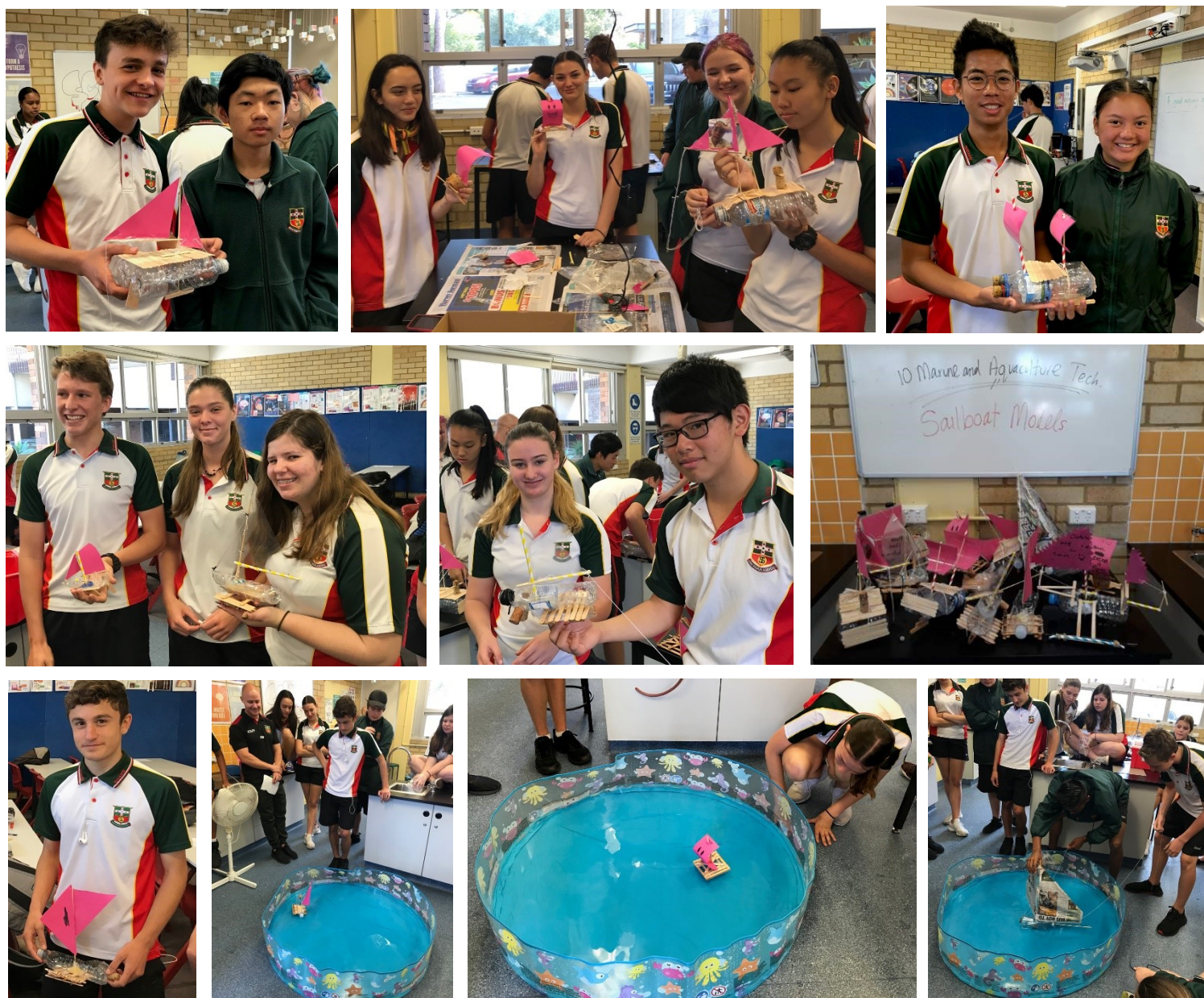
# Science News

## Year 8 VALID test

The Year 8 VALID test (Validation of Assessment for Learning and Individual Development) will be held on Monday 4th November for all Year 8 Science students. This is an interactive, multimedia test completed entirely on a computer. Students will need to bring their own earphones that can plug into a school computer. This test is assessing Stage 4 outcomes from the NSW Science syllabus. Please see the following Parent/carer letter for more details.

## Year 10 Marine

Year 10 Marine and Aquaculture studies are currently undertaking a unit on Sailing theory and practice. As part of their preparation for an upcoming sailing excursion, the students designed and constructed a sailboat from recycled materials. They then tested their craft in the water.



## 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.

Dear Year 8 Parent or Carer

The *Validation of Assessment for Learning & Individual Development* (VALID) test for Year 8 students will be held between **Monday 28 October** and **Friday 8 November 2019**. The test takes approximately 70 minutes. The **VALID Science 8** test is an interactive, multimedia test completed entirely on a computer. At South Sydney High School, the VALID 8 Science test will be held on **Monday 4th November** periods **1** and **2**.

*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.

Since students complete *VALID Science 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 2020. 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



# Gifted, Talented & Enrichment

## Junior SSCIM Camp 2019

South Sydney High School's approach to gifted and enrichment pedagogy is focused on providing extension and in depth learning opportunities to students in areas of their interest and aptitude. Project based learning is an area of strong focus in this regard and this area of learning is supported by our annual SSCIM Camps. From Wednesday the 30th of October until Friday 1st November Year 7 and 8 students will be joined by a contingent of our International students who will be completing learning projects that will take advantage of the beautiful national park setting for our camp in Pittwater.

Mr Armanios from our school's Mathematics department will accompany Ms de Paor to facilitate and work with the students on this camp, an annual highlight of gifted programs at South Sydney High School. Projects that the students will be completing include musical composition, portfolios of photography, video making and landscape drawing.

This camp requires much of the planning and organisation for our days at Pittwater YHA to be undertaken by the students.



## Enrichment Term 4 and School holidays

During Term 4 we have a number of planned occasions to both offer our students enrichment and extension beyond the classroom as well as to celebrate their achievements. These include:

**Wednesday 13th November: 'Public Speaking Invitational':** An opportunity for interested students to extend their public speaking skills in a morning workshop and to participate in a competition with local schools in the afternoon.

**Wednesday 20th November: Stage 4 Enrichment Acknowledgement:** We will be distributing certificates to our Year 7 and 8 students who maintained their membership of our Enrichment stream during 2019. We will also share some of the work undertaken during our annual Junior SSCIM Camp with parents and our school community.

**Gerric, January 2020:** Parents seeking quality extension and enrichment opportunities for their children are encouraged to consider the annual January Gerric workshops organised for gifted students by the University of New South Wales. Please see the Gerric website or contact Ms de Paor to get further details.

We look forward to another busy and challenging term of gifted and enrichment opportunities and celebrations for our wonderful high aptitude and committed students at South Sydney High School.

**Aine de Paor, Gifted & Enrichment Coordinator**

## Attention Students in Years 8 and 10

Our subject selection process for electives in 2020 is nearly finalised.

Information regarding successful electives will be published for all students in Weeks 2 and 4. Please contact Ms Walton on 9349 3868 if you have any queries or concerns.

# Duke of Edinburgh Award

Congratulations to 2 more of our students, Hope and Andrew, who have achieved their Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award.

We also wish the current Duke of Ed students all the best on their upcoming hike in Week 3 to the Royal National Park.

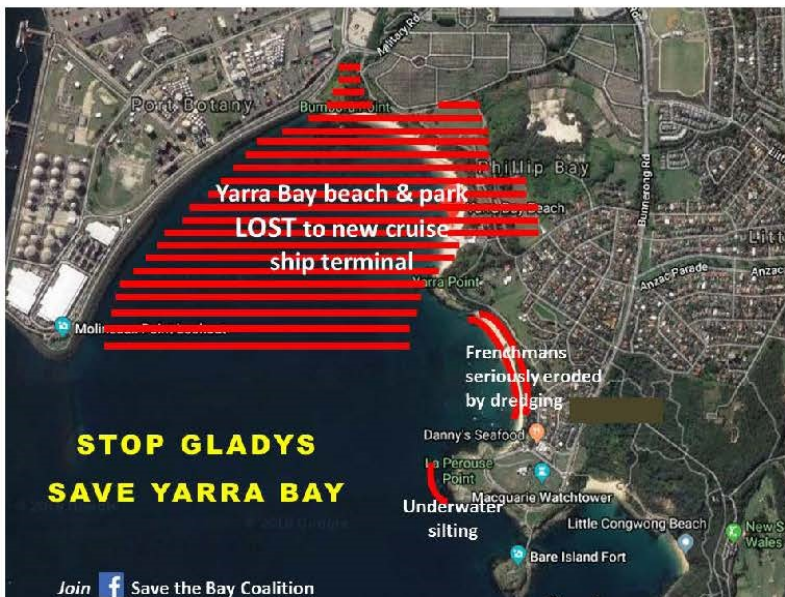


## Community News

# SAVE YARRA BAY

## No Cruise Ships

 Save the Bay Coalition [www.saveyarrabay.com](http://www.saveyarrabay.com)



## Say **NO** to Cruise Ships in Yarra Bay!

*Yarra Bay & La Perouse beaches and parkland are under threat. The Berejiklian government is planning to build a Mega Cruise Ship Terminal in beautiful Yarra Bay.*

Mega Cruise Ships are 360m long, 60m wide, and higher than the Eiffel Tower. They carry nearly 7000 people! Gladys wants the terminal to berth two of these monsters at a time.

Giant wharves and breakwaters will stretch across the bay. Beaches and parkland will be concrete - lost to terminal buildings, parking areas, and other infrastructure.

Dredging will destroy the remaining beaches. Yarra Bay and Frenchman's Beach will be lost to commercial interests. No more swimming, sailing, diving, fishing or picnicking in the Bay, it will be gone forever.

This will lead to more crowding at other eastern suburbs beaches as the throngs of visitors move north.

The Berejiklian Government is proposing this theft, all under a cloak of secrecy, and entirely for the benefit of foreign cruise lines. To save our beaches and parklands, stand up and say **NO** to the Berejiklian government putting commercial interests before people.

**Save the Bay Coalition** is a growing movement of residents and concerned citizens fighting to Save Yarra Bay.

Tell Premier Gladys Berejiklian that NSW taxpayers don't want to lose their beaches and parkland so that foreign owned Cruise Lines can make mega profits.

- ✓ Join Save the Bay Coalition on Facebook
- ✓ Spread the word thru social media, blogs & talking to people
- ✓ Sign the petition  
<https://www.change.org/p/cruise-ships-don-t-belong-in-botany-bay?>
- ✓ Email or write to NSW Minister for Transport, Melinda Pavey  
(see Facebook page for proforma letters)

Join  Save the Bay Coalition

Contact us: [saveyarrabay@gmail.com](mailto:saveyarrabay@gmail.com)





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# FAMILY FUN DAY

**FREE EVENT**

**Friday 25 October 2019 3pm-6pm**

**MEMORIAL RESERVE, ANZAC PDE CR BEAUCHAMP ROAD MATRAVILLE**

**BBQ ▲ Giveaways ▲ Games ▲ Fun activities**

**Get to know your local support services**

**Special event MATRAVILLE'S GOT TALENT!**



**Contact us: 9349 8200/[contact@jnc.org.au](mailto:contact@jnc.org.au)**

**PROUD TO BE EVENT PARTNERS:**





# NDIS TRUTH TELLING SYDNEY *Community Meeting*

**FIRST PEOPLES DISABILITY NETWORK (AUSTRALIA)  
INVITE FIRST PEOPLES WITH DISABILITY  
FAMILY AND COMMUNITY  
TO A TRUTH TELLING MEETING ABOUT THE NDIS**

2019 Review of the  
NDIS Act & NDIS  
Participant Service  
Guarantee

Tell your  
NDIS  
story

What is  
working and  
what is not

It's time  
for  
Change

**Tuesday 22 October 2019**  
**SYDNEY MECHANICS SCHOOL OF ARTS**  
**Carmichael Room**  
**Level 1, 280 Pitt St, Sydney**  
**10:00am to 1:00pm**

*All welcome, Lunch provided*

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