

Principal's Report

Congratulations to:

- Our Prize winners who received awards on Presentation Day. It was a wonderful event and showcased academic, CAPA and sporting achievement throughout all year groups.
- Our CAPA students, Ms Gregov and Ms Sainty who have been very busy with numerous performances over the past week.
- All Year 10 students who attended the Year 10 Celebration Assembly

HSC Results

I am very pleased to share the following outstanding results from our students - more results to follow next year!

Outstanding ATAR results:

Amta Audesh
Leandro Estoque
Nelson Roberts
Bodhi Tuladhar
Renata Oliveira

Distinguished Achievers:

Emanuele Galli - Italian Continuers
Renata Oliveira - Portugese Continuers
Lilou Testard (Year 11) - French Continuers

Uniform

South Sydney High School is a uniform school. 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 in 2020.

Excessive jewellery and acrylic nails can also pose a WHS issue and are not part of the school uniform.



Acceptable shoes:



Unacceptable shoes:



Student Numbers

If you are moving, please let us know as soon as possible so we 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

Principal

National Schools Poster Competition

This year, the Year 8 and Year 10 enrichment Mathematics classes have participated in the National Schools Poster Competition 2019 (www.ssaipostercomp.info/schools).

The task involved students brainstorming and choosing a research question, which they investigated in depth over a couple of terms. All students actively researched and/or performed experiments, analysed statistical data, then created their unique posters. These posters displayed interesting ideas, such as the effect of music in performance in rhythm games or whether we can live in Mars, or issues that are relevant to us in real life, such as the effect of temperature on students' performance and the rise in electricity prices in Australia.

Everyone who participated should be commended for their efforts and special congratulations to Jessica Hausman and Abbey Brown in Year 10 who received an **Honourable Mention** in the Years 9-10 Division with their investigation and poster titled 'Crime Rates in NSW: Have they increased or decreased since 2010?'.

Danna Kim



School Holiday Message

We hope you enjoy a Happy and safe holiday with your family and friends,

School resumes:

Years 7, 11 & 12 on Wednesday 29 January 2020

Years 8, 9 & 10 on Thursday 30 January



Library News

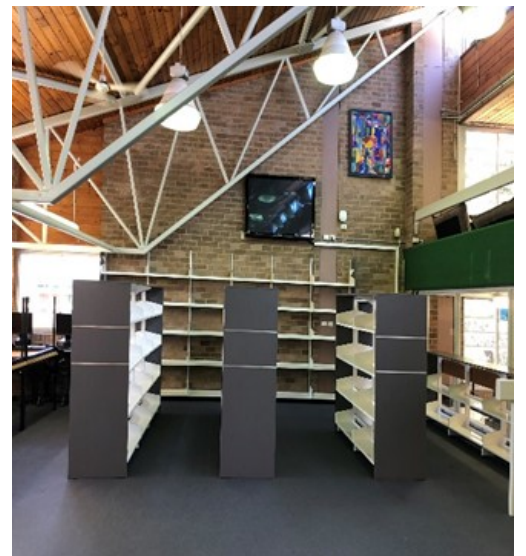
Premier's Reading Challenge

Congratulations to the Year 7-9 students who completed the Premier's Reading Challenge and have received their certificates. Some students were the recipients of Gold and Platinum awards, which means the student has completed the Challenge four times or seven times. This is a fantastic achievement. Remember books read over the holidays can be added to your PRC reading record for 2020, so do not forget to note them down.



Library Refurbishment

Term 4 has been especially busy in the library. A fiction stocktake was completed as well as preparation for the arrival of new shelving and furniture. This required a lot of sorting, packing and unpacking of library resources. The fiction section is now where nonfiction was and vice versa. The new shelving contains the nonfiction collection. It has been and will continue to be a huge undertaking with further refurbishments in the pipeline. Watch this space!



Wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and a bright 2020.

Happy reading over the holidays!

Ms Maddocks
Teacher Librarian

Market Day

Year 10 Commerce were happy to bring Market Day to South Sydney High School! Students were delighted to treat themselves to a sausage sizzle, noodles, cupcakes, and not to mention participate in throwing wet sponges at their favourite teachers! A fun time was had by all including the drenched. Students were able to raise funds to support our Rural Fire Service.



Tournament of Minds

Tournament of Minds is a voluntary problem-solving program for teams of seven students. This program requires creative, collaborative and divergent thinkers. Participating students need to be chosen from Years 7-10. The students work towards responding to Challenges from four disciplines including STEM; THE ARTS; LANGUAGE LITERATURE and SOCIAL SCIENCES.

Students undertake training during one lunch time per week before being chosen to compete in the Regional Tournaments which take place on a weekend in late August, 2020 at a venue nearby. Carers need to provide their own transport for the students on that day. Successful participants may then proceed to the National Finals.

Selected students complete a Spontaneous Challenge followed by a Long Term Challenge from the four challenges listed earlier on Tournament Day. The students have six weeks to prepare for the presentation of the Long Term Challenge. This event should provide an exhilarating spectacle and the ingenious solutions created by motivated students who have accepted the Tournament Challenge.

Facilitator

Jennifer Tilby

Writing news

Writing news

South Sydney High School had some success in the Whitlam Institute's WHAT MATTERS? Writing Competition this year. Students are encouraged to continue entering writing competitions in an effort to extend their range of using language effectively in a variety of situations and in a variety of ways and then sharing their products with the larger community.

Jennifer Tilby

English

Yearly Reports

South Sydney High School has moved to electronic reports, which are now available on the Sentral Parent Portal. We have sent out emails and letters to parents with the key to access the portal. Any parents who have not been able to access the parent portal can contact Mr Wiseman during the holidays via email: martin.wiseman@det.nsw.edu.au

We have also put a link to the parent portal on the front page of the school website . It is on the large green banner.

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Dear Parents,

School photographs are scheduled to be taken by **advancedlife**. Whilst an envelope and flyer will be distributed shortly, if possible it is our preference that ordering be completed online to reduce administration and potential security issues related to the return of cash and envelopes on photo day.

Orders for packages and sibling photographs can be placed securely online at **www.advancedlife.com.au** using our school's unique **9 digit advancedorder code**. Portrait and group package orders are due by photography day.

Should you wish to purchase a sibling photograph online, the order must be placed no later than the day before photography day. Sibling photographs will only be taken if an order has been placed.

Should you have any queries concerning school photographs or online ordering, please direct them via email to enquiries@advancedlife.com.au



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