

## TFHS Alumni Profile

### Jackson Brown



#### Cohort:

2017-2022

#### HSC Subjects:

English Advanced, Physics, Chemistry, Music 2, Mathematics Advanced, Mathematics Extension 1, Mathematics Extension 2, Preliminary Engineering Studies.

#### Extracurricular activities:

School Representation at Swimming, Cross Country and Knockout Soccer, School Concert Band, School Jazz Band, Musical Ensemble, 2019 Space Camp, Performing Arts Captain and SRC

#### What are you doing now alongside Forest?

I've started as a full-time student this year at the University of Sydney. I'm in my first year of a Bachelor of Education (Secondary). I'm majoring in Mathematics to be a sole Maths teacher but with my free units I'm also at the Sydney Conservatorium of Music to one day maybe also become a music teacher, but nonetheless learning from some of Australia's greatest musical talents.

#### What is a fond memory you have of Forest?

I've got so many favourite moments from Forest, I wouldn't be able to list them all without forgetting something. One big collective memory I will say is 2022's Regional Band Tour. The greatest memories weren't of the places we went or what

we did but who I was with. Surrounded by peers, teachers and best friends we had unimaginable fun. Being coined as that year's 'Band Dad' I tried my best to be the best one ever. The first night getting snacks for everyone to sing songs during breakfast, massive soccer games and the best trivia night ever held (the Conductor Lamin Luu told us it was the best so we're never arguing with that) were just the beginning. I believe being not only a mentor but a friend to everyone planted me onto my path to become a teacher. To provide knowledge, guide and befriend people just as the teachers at Forest have done with me and others.

#### Describe your ongoing relationship with the school

The Forest feels like a second home to me. I feel lucky to be working Tuesdays, and hope to work more and to hopefully one day teach here. In school I've helped students with their work in and out of classrooms, as well as navigating school and life's difficulties. When I'm free I help out with the Symphonic Wind Ensemble and Stage Band. Within the broader community I play in two bands; a wind ensemble and a jazz band, but hopefully will create a rock band with some friends soon. I also have helped out with primary school bands such as Sealforth Public School and Manly Vale Public School. I plan to continue my current activities and deepen myself with pedagogical methods of my HSC subjects as well as other topics particularly in Science, PDHPE and HSE. One big goal of mine for Forest and the community would be providing support for student and educator wellbeing. This might be investigating outside services or perhaps arranging seminars from medical professionals.

