



Message from the Principal



It was a meeting like no other, when veteran reporters came to speak to the 2024 Scrub Turkey Team last Friday. Students shared in stories of hope, heartache and heroism with the highly acclaimed journalists and developed their authentic storytelling voices and nuanced styles of writing for the upcoming Scrub Turkey 2024 edition - which looks to be our best one yet!



School Magazine

Stage 5 Music Night

I am looking forward to tonight's Stage 5 Music Night. For some students it will be the first time they have been on stage. Can't wait.

Course Selections for 2025 (Year 10 into 11)

Students in Year 10 have been hearing from our teachers about the many courses on offer for Years 11 and 12. Over the final two weeks, students in Year 10 should be thinking about what courses they would like to study in their senior years. Our teachers are well placed to provide specific guidance to students about course requirements and suitability. In Week 1 Term 3 (date and time to be confirmed) there will be a course information evening for students and their parents in the Hall. There will be an initial presentation before parents are invited to the Library where they can talk with our teachers about specific course requirements. Students will make their selections following the evening.

Course Selections for 2025 (Year 8 into 9)

In Week 1 Term 3 (date and time to be confirmed) students and parents in Year 8 will also hear from teachers about what elective offerings are available to them in Stage 5 (Years 9 and 10). Students will have the opportunity to study 3 elective courses in Stage 5. Students are encouraged to select courses that they feel will be both interesting and challenging. This will follow a similar format as outlined above and will be held on the same evening at an earlier time-slot.

HSC History Study Day

On Saturday, our Year 12 Modern History, Ancient History and History Extension students will be attending the HSC History Study Day alongside their teachers Ms Turner, Ms Murray, Mr Oldmeadow and

Mrs Lepre. The group are commended for giving up their Saturday to attend the lectures at the University of Sydney, starting at 8.30 am.

Mufti Day

The SRC Environment Team coordinated today's mufti day and yesterday's SRC Environment Stall. The money raised has gone towards supporting the Taronga Conservation Society and the Koalas.



Academic Competitions

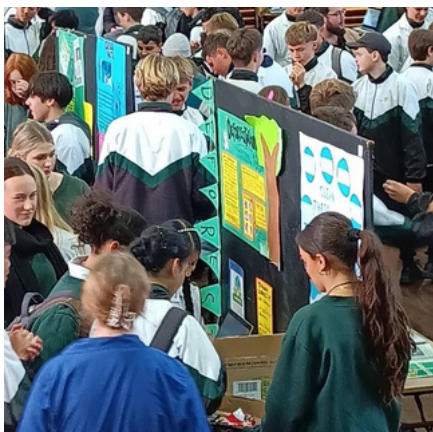
High achieving students in Years 7 to 10 are invited to participate in the 2024 English, Mathematics, Science, Spelling and Digital Technologies competitions. If students want extra opportunities to gain a measure of their achievement in an external assessment situation or to become accustomed to competitive external testing with time constraints,

they are encouraged to enter the ICAS competitions. Participants will receive a certificate and a detailed results letter indicating overall performance compared with other students in every participating state and country. Parents have already received an email outlining the dates, cost of participation and instructions around how to pay online. If students would like more information about ICAS they are asked to see Mrs Lepre (Languages staffroom).



Year 10 Science Expositions

I was impressed by the enthusiasm shown by our students at Thursday's 'A Day of Change' science expositions. Walking through the Hall, students were wanting the attention of passers-by to sell their concepts. This is an annual year 10 assessment task that encourages students to think critically and creatively about an environmental issue that needs to be addressed. Students in small groups are asked to identify the issue, but most importantly are encouraged to think about what can be done to address the problem. Many thanks to our Science staff for facilitating this for students.



Work Experience

Best of luck to our students on Year 10 Work Experience next week.

Aboriginal Studies Walking Tour

On Wednesday, Year 10 and Year 11 Aboriginal Studies were guided by the Guringai Aboriginal Tour on a journey of discovery in Bantry Bay Aboriginal sites. Here students learnt how the local Aboriginal ancestors cared for the land. The tour involved a visit to a cave with stencil art and a sandstone engravings site where the guides showed how the art is done, how the carvings are made and how to read the site. We thank Uncle Laurie Bimson who is a Guringai descendant and experienced Aboriginal guide. This excursion provided an opportunity for Year 10 and Year 11 Aboriginal Studies students to engage in community consultation, which is an essential element of their case study assessments. Many thanks to Ms Hanley for organising this experience for students.



Upcoming Events

24-28 June - Year 10 Work Experience

26-27 June - Year 11 Camp

27 June - Sydney North Dance Festival

28 June = Year 7 Science Taronga Zoo

1 July - Zone Athletics

5 July - Linton/Townsend Cup Y11 vs Y12
Last day of Term 2