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# The Forest High School Message from the Principal



Congratulations to all our Year 10 students who participated in work experience this week. The team at Northern Beaches Hospital absolutely loved our students being there. Their Communications Director, Pauline, said our students were so well behaved and such a delight for both patients and staff - they were the first ever students to be allowed to watch open heart surgery and a C-section in theatre! A full report and more photos will be in next week's end of term newsletter.



#### Year 7 Zoo Excursion

Today our Year 7 students visited the Zoo. This excursion is linked to their current assessment task. Many thanks to Mr Goodwin and the Science staff for organising.



#### A Week of Performances

On Wednesday night, our Stage Band performed at the 2024 NSSWE Community Concert series in our school hall. On Thursday night we had our Symphonic Wind Ensemble perform for the large crowd of mostly primary school band members and their parents. Both performances were well polished and a reflection of the time and effort that goes into their weekly rehearsals. Also on Thursday night, our leading dance ensemble performed at Glen Street Theatre Belrose as part of the Sydney North Public Schools Dance Festival. The choreography for this performance from start to finish was the work of our very own Head Teacher CAPA, Rebecca Constantin. The group, made up of Year 7-12 students, were incredible and, in my view, the strongest performance of the night. Tonight, our Open Boys Water polo team will compete in the grand final against St Andrews. We wish them all the best.

# Year 10 Work Experience

We have been hearing some nice stories about our Year 10 students on Work Experience. See the link below from the Beacon Hill newsletter where their Principal Peta Hanson made special mention of our students. Ms Hanson also sent me a separate email acknowledging the fantastic work of our students. <u>https://sway.cloud.microsoft/3</u> X32ctl2oMSKwzSW? ref=Link&loc=play



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#### Bangalay Literary Festival

On Friday 21 June Bangalay Literary Festival participants met today for the second of four sessions. They began with a fast-paced, interactive sensory writing activity, then moved into a presentation on how to find inspiration with their Author-Mentor, Suzanne Garvey. Finally, they brainstormed ideas for their creative submission, presenting a wide range of incredibly engaging and unique ideas. The team, led by Sarah Peachman, can't wait to see them again in Term 3 for their final intensive writing day before they submit their work for publication. We are so proud of their efforts today. What wonderful student voices we have in our community!













### State Cross Country

Congratulations To Sophie H in Year 9 and Poppy G in Year 8 who have progressed to State for Cross Country.



#### Staff Morning Tea

Thank you to the P&C who organised the staff morning tea today and to all the parents who provided the delicious goodies. They were much appreciated!

# **Upcoming Events**

- 1 July Zone Athletics
- 5 July Linton/Townsend Cup Y11 vs Y12 Last day of Term 2
- 22 July School Development Day
- 23 July All students return
- 29 July Sydney North Athletics
- 31 July HSC Music 2 Recital
- 5-12 August Year 12 Trial Exams
- 6-9 August Year 10 Ski Trip
- 7 August Diversity & Inclusion Sub-Committee Meeting 7pm
- 14 August P&C Meeting 7pm

#### We've added some news activities!

Monday - Gardening Club Tuesday - Art Mural Club Wednesday - Cheerleading (from Term 3) Thursday - Student Fair Committee Friday - Hip Hop



- and enhance your creativity in textiles • Yarn Yard - Knit & Chat - South End of E Block or E0013 if wet
  - Student Fair Committee lunchtime in the DBLC with Mrs Barr-Jones
  - Debating/Public Speaking lunchtime see Ms Bancroft
     in English A Block
  - Dungeons & Dragons lunchtime in the Learning Hub E Block
  - Beyond the Bell Homework Club 3-4pm in the Library every week . Homework & assessment help - all welcome

# And .....

**Friday** 

Forest Fitness - with Mr Lawler, 7.30am on the oval or

• Art Club - lunchtime in D0050 - all welcome

Hip Hop - lunchtime in the hall with Ms Crowe
Maths Help Desk - lunchtime in E1007 - all welcome

in the PAC

- Duke of Edinburgh see Mr Argue in D Block if interested
- Dance see Ms Constantin in the CAPA Staff Room
   Year 7 & 8 Monday lunchtime in the Gym &
   Learning Hub