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Fortnightly Newsletter of
Pennant Hills High School

Thursday 2 April 2015

Term 1 Week 10B

YEAR 7 BIG NIGHT OUT



The rich and vibrant culture of Vanuatu was celebrated at the Year 7 Big Night Out fund-raiser held on Friday 27 March 2015. The informal setting encouraged our Year 7 students to further develop emerging relationships with their peers, older students and teachers, whilst also providing an opportunity to raise funds to support the people of Vanuatu whose entire communities were destroyed recently by Cyclone Pam.

Students dressed in tropical attire and feasted on a barbecue, tropical fruits and lollies while dancing up a storm to music provided by Mr Raper. The night was a roaring success, thanks to the outstanding organisation of the Year 11 Prefects and the support provided by Peer Support Leaders and staff members.

Mr Geoff Wing
Principal

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Congratulations to everyone who supported this great night of fun, friendship and generosity. We are pleased to be able to donate proceeds of over \$750.00 to the Red Cross Vanuatu Appeal.

Belinda Campbell
Head Teacher Welfare

LOOKING FORWARD

Term 2 2015

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| Week 1A | Monday | 20 April | SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAY |
| | Wednesday | 22 April | Meet the Music Concert at Sydney Opera House |
| | Wednesday | 22 April | Muogamarra Nature Reserve Excursion |
| | Thursday | 23 April | Muogamarra Nature Reserve Excursion |
| | Friday | 24 April | Muogamarra Nature Reserve Excursion |
| Week 2B | Wednesday | 29 April | School Cross Country Carnival |
| | Wednesday | 29 April | NSW Schools State Handball Championships |
| | Friday | 1 May | Back-up Date for School Cross Country |
| Week 3A | Tuesday | 5 May | Year 7 and 8 Parent—Teacher Interviews |
| | Wednesday | 6 May | School Athletics Carnival |
| | Thursday | 7 May | Year 11 PARTY Program |
| | Friday | 8 May | <i>Angels in America</i> Performance |
| Week 4B | Monday | 11 May | Zone Cross Country |
| | Tuesday | 12 May | NAPLAN |
| | Wednesday | 13 May | NAPLAN |
| | Thursday | 14 May | NAPLAN |
| | Friday | 15 May | Barista Course at The Coffee School, Haymarket |
| Weekend | Saturday— Sunday | 16 May— 17 May | HILLS RELAY FOR LIFE — 'Penno Pacers' — supporting the Cancer Council. Walkers, supporters and sponsors welcome. See page 6 for more information. |
| Week 5A | Wednesday | 20 May | Back-up Date (1) for School Athletics Carnival |
| | Friday | 22 May | Year 10 SALSA Training Day |
| Week 6B | Monday | 25 May | Big Science Competition |
| | Tuesday | 26 May | Year 8 Brainstorm Productions |
| | Wednesday | 27 May | Back-up Date (2) for School Athletics Carnival |
| | Thursday | 28 May | Year 7 Vaccinations—HPV, DTP, Chicken Pox |
| | Thursday | 28 May | Year 11 and 12 Vaccinations—MMR Catch-up |
| | Friday | 29 May | <i>Fearless</i> HSC Seminar |
| | Friday | 29 May | Year 10 Agriculture to Camden EEC, Belgenny Farm |
| Week 7A | Monday | 1 June | Year 10 Careers Expo |
| | Wednesday | 3 June | Year 11 GP Visit |
| Week 8B | Wednesday | 10 June | Year 12 Work Placement—Construction (TO SUNDAY 7 JUNE) |
| | Thursday | 11 June | Drama Festival |
| | Thursday | 11 June | HTA Study Day |
| | | | Regional Cross Country |

ASSESSMENT TASKS FOR YEAR 11 - Term 2 2015

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|---------|-----------|--------|-----------------------------------|
| Week 3A | Tuesday | 5 May | Chemistry: Assessment Task |
| Week 4B | Thursday | 14 May | Legal Studies: Task 1—Examination |
| Week 7A | Monday | 1 June | Biology: Assessment Task |
| | Wednesday | 3 June | Physics: Assessment Task |

ASSESSMENT TASKS FOR YEAR 12 - Term 2 2015

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| Week 1A | Tuesday | 21 April | Visual Arts: Body of Work (progressive) task due |
| Week 5A | Monday | 18 May | Drama: Group and Individual Project (progressive and log book) due |
| | Tuesday | 19 May | Drama: Group and Individual Project (progressive and log book) due |
| Week 7A | Tuesday | 2 June | Chemistry: Assessment Task |
| | Friday | 5 June | Chemistry: Assessment Task |
| Week 8B | Tuesday | 9 June | Agriculture: Assessment Task |
| | Tuesday | 9 June | Biology: Assessment Task |
| | Wednesday | 10 June | Engineering Studies: Transport/Aeronautical |

DEPUTY PRINCIPAL'S REPORT



The end of Term 1 is quickly approaching and, as usual, we have experienced a busy and dynamic start to the year. Year 7 are actively working towards attaining the high standards encouraged and expected by staff. Year 9 and 11 are also off to a magnificent start and have demonstrated to me that they

possess characteristics of committed and informed learners.

With such a great foundation, our students are well placed to commit to lifelong learning. This passion to continually up-skill and learn is critical for all of our development. Yet commitment is a powerful concept. Many people will state that they are committed but often falter on their path or lose sight of their goals. I feel it is important for all of us to help our students recognise commitment and appreciate the fruits of their labour.

This brings me to discuss the concept of 21st Century learning and what it means for our school community. The concept of 21st Century marries with commitment as staff, students and the wider school community will all require a high level of commitment to address the growing need for the development of 21st Century learning skills.

During Term 2, 21st Century learning will become widely discussed and implemented within my role as one of your school leaders. The 21st Century skills movement at Pennant Hills High School will require keen attention to curriculum, technology, teacher quality and assessment. Staff have always explored the notion of learners developing critical thinking and ICT skills, while we have also identified problem solving and lateral thinking as useful tools to equip students for entry to tertiary study or the workplace. But now, we are faced with BYOD and the fantastic opportunities that arise for our practice and classrooms. The opportunities for our students are endless.

During Term 2, we will be closely examining the role that technology plays in 21st Century learning at Pennant Hills High School. The preliminary steps to address this growing need have occurred and I am very excited to announce that Term 2 will see the continued development of our student-led Technology Committee. The committee is run by students to discuss, devise, research and advise the executive regarding technologies and learning strategies which will be useful for learning and engagement. Importantly, this is student-led and the collaboration between the student body and staff is invaluable as our students are driving what they feel will develop their 21st Century learning

skills. The committee will investigate a range of learning tools that are inclusive of all devices outlined by our BYOD guidelines.

The committee will be working on the following projects over Term 2:

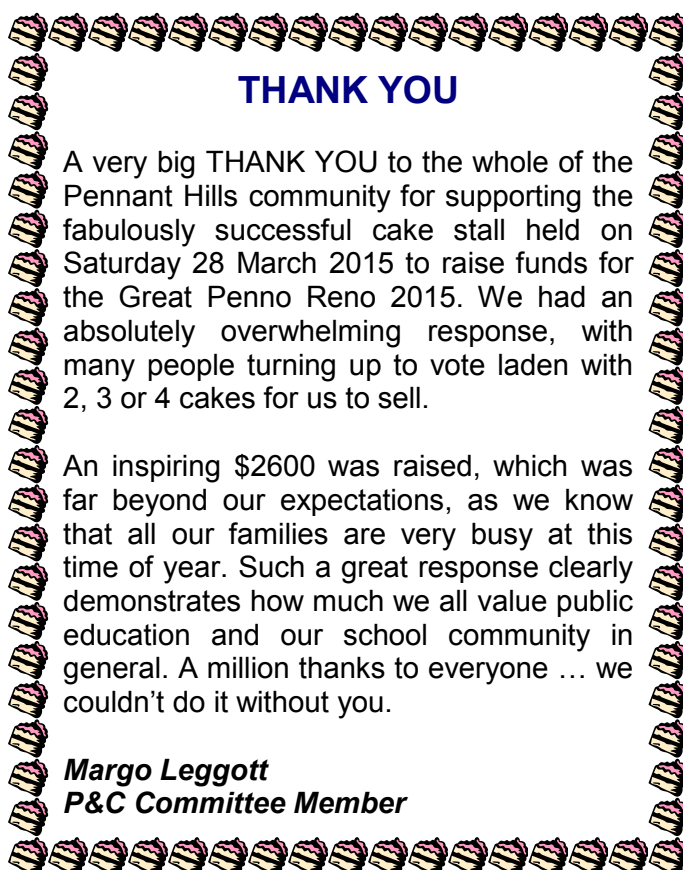
- an online student forum to discuss technology that promotes learning and engagement;
- student-led and developed teacher training workshops; and
- an online database of useful websites and apps for all key learning areas.

With these developments underway, I will be working with Mr Huang and Mr Minton to support the group and meet with them regularly. We would like to invite and welcome any input from parents, past students and community members who have experience in technology and would like to contribute to any of these developments. Your support would be greatly appreciated, so please contact me at the school if you would like to be involved.

We all need to be committed to 21st Century learning and the use of technology at Pennant Hills High School. It is a movement that requires your support, input and valuable contributions.

I would like to sincerely wish all of our school community a happy Easter and a safe holiday break and I look forward to working with you next term.

Amanda De Carli
Deputy Principal



THANK YOU

A very big THANK YOU to the whole of the Pennant Hills community for supporting the fabulously successful cake stall held on Saturday 28 March 2015 to raise funds for the Great Penno Reno 2015. We had an absolutely overwhelming response, with many people turning up to vote laden with 2, 3 or 4 cakes for us to sell.

An inspiring \$2600 was raised, which was far beyond our expectations, as we know that all our families are very busy at this time of year. Such a great response clearly demonstrates how much we all value public education and our school community in general. A million thanks to everyone ... we couldn't do it without you.

Margo Leggott
P&C Committee Member

A VISIT TO THE ROYAL EASTER SHOW - YEAR 10 FOOD TECHNOLOGY



On Friday 27 March our Food Technology class went to the Easter Show. We were given a sheet to answer questions about the sorts of food in the Woolworths Food Dome.

This included looking at the ANZAC inspired food on display and taste testing some of the new products, including the delicious ginger hot cross buns, which were from the Jamie Oliver range. We then went to look at the cake decorating displays and answered some more questions. One of the decorated cakes was a wedding cake, with detailed designs on it including blue ribbon and frills.

After all the school work was done, we had free time to go on rides, see the animals or buy showbags. It was an amazing day.

Fiona, Eliza and Lauren
10 FT 1

On our excursion to the Easter Show we looked at different kinds of packaging in the Woolworths Food Dome. We also had to look at how Woolworths were promoting their new products. We were handed a sheet with questions that we had to complete before we had any free time.

One of the foods we looked at was the Disney Banana range. These were packaged in flexible plastic bags with pictures of Disney's cartoon characters to target younger kids. After looking at and getting food samples from the different stalls, we went to look at the decorated cakes and bottled foods to answer some more questions, revising our classwork on preservation.

After that we had free time and went to get showbags or try out some rides.

Christian and Chloe
10 FT 2

HISTORY

Year 12 Modern History students attended a workshop in early March at Macquarie University focussing on analysing and evaluating historical sources. Year 12 Ancient History are currently working on the topic New Kingdom Egypt and the Extension History students are completing the research component of their Major Project. Year 12 Society and Culture students have been finalising individual plans for their Personal Interest Projects.

All Year 12 History students are expected to attend a Higher School Certificate study day at Sydney University on Thursday 11 June 2015. This is an excellent day which provides students with examination advice and a comprehensive overview of the Ancient History, Modern History and History Extension courses.

Year 11 Society and Culture students have been studying our social and cultural world. These students have also participated in a prison role play activity which is shown in the photographs.



This activity resulted in a better understanding of the social construction of behaviour. They learned that people may behave in a way determined by their environment.



Year 10 students have been developing an empathetic understanding of people and events involved in the Holocaust.

Students in Years 7, 8 and 9 are developing their literacy and essay writing skills through the study of a range of topics including Lake Munga, The Vikings, The Industrial Revolution and a comparative study of World War I and World War II.

Roger Niccol
Head Teacher History



MARCHING TO HIS OWN DRUM

We are delighted to learn that former student, Callum Moses, who graduated in 2013, has been accepted into the Royal Military College Duntroon, which is Australia's officer training establishment in Canberra. Callum will commence an 18-month officer training program in July this year.



The photograph of Callum below, which was taken at a previous Pennant Hills High School ANZAC ceremony, and his words of reflection, clearly show that this new venture is a natural progression for him. We are very proud of Callum's success in gaining entry into this highly prestigious and competitive program.

Geoff Wing



I look forward to commencing training at the Royal Military College Duntroon in July. It will mark the beginning of a lifetime goal of mine and the fulfilment of an ambition I have held since I was an Army Cadet.

If I could impart advice to those leaving school, having spent a year at university, I've learnt that while it's important to have a sound plan for your career, you should not be afraid to let your ambitions and interests lead you. These are potentially realised once you've experienced something like university or a gap year, though you may know them as soon as you leave school. In any case, be adventurous and pursue your ambitions, even if they point you in the opposite direction to where you were heading.

Callum Moses, Year 12 2013

P&C Meeting Dates for 2015

26 May

23 June - 25 August - 27 October

24 November (followed by AGM)

7.30pm in the School Library

'PENNO' PRAYER MEETING

Mums, Dads and Grandparents, come and join us as we pray for 'Penno' staff and students.

**2nd and 4th Friday of each month during term
from 8.45am to 9.15am**

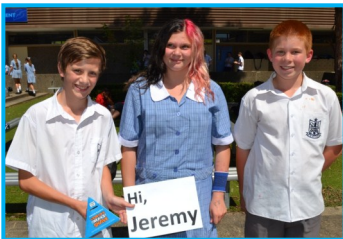
Please meet at Public Reception.

Enquiries: Kim Allan on 0410 548 350.



WORLD'S GREATEST SHAVE

Students at Pennant Hills High School recently participated in the World's Greatest Shave, raising over \$6000 for the Leukaemia Foundation. A big thank you goes to Ruth and Anthony from 'Cut of Class' in West Pennant Hills who volunteered their time to shave the heads of participating students.



Some of our highest fund-raisers were:

- David - \$2500;
- Clyde - \$1550;
- Toby - \$650;
- Nick - \$550;
- Dakota - \$540;
- Takayla - \$300.



Jackie Breden, Co-ordinating Teacher

2015 HILLS RELAY FOR LIFE

**Please join us walking
for this fantastic cause**

**9.30am - Saturday 16 May
to
9.30am - Sunday 17 May**

**Centenary of ANZAC Reserve
Wrights Road, Castle Hill**

**Parents, siblings and friends
are all welcome!**

TO REGISTER FOR THE WALK

(\$20 per person):

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- Team Name: **Penno Pacers**

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- Search for a Team
- **Penno Pacers**



Penno Pacers Team Organiser

Charlene Stewart

charlene.wright@det.nsw.edu.au or 9473 5000

More information about the event

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CROSS COUNTRY CARNIVAL

Pennant Hills High School's annual Cross Country Carnival will be held on **Wednesday 29 April 2015**, in and around the immediate vicinity of the school grounds. After weeks of solid training in Physical Education (PE) lessons and scanning the sports notice boards for improvements in times, our students have produced some very impressive performances which highlight their dedication to achieve our school motto *Nil Nisi Bonum* - nothing but the best.

The top 25 girls and 25 boys in each of the 12–16 Years age groups will participate at the Carnival. Year 11 and 12 students who wish to participate in the Carnival must register their name at the PDHPE Staffroom before Friday 24 April 2015. A variation to be out of class during the appropriate timeslot will be created for all students participating in the Carnival. Participants should refer to the timetable below to ascertain their allocated times. A roll will be marked at the event and students will be in class for all other lessons.

| Time | Event No. | Event Name | Course Length |
|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------------------|---------------|
| PERIOD 1A 9.10am | 1 | 12 Years BOYS | 2 Laps |
| | 2 | 12 Years GIRLS | 2 Laps |
| PERIOD 1B 9.47am | 3 | 13 Years BOYS | 2 Laps |
| | 4 | 13 Years GIRLS | 2 Laps |
| PERIOD 2A 10.54am | 5 | 14 Years BOYS | 2 Laps |
| | 6 | 14 Years GIRLS | 2 Laps |
| PERIOD 2B 11.26am | 7 | 15 Years BOYS | 2 Laps |
| | 8 | 15 Years GIRLS | 2 Laps |
| PERIOD 3A 12.12pm | 9 | 16 Years BOYS | 3 Laps |
| | 10 | 16 Years GIRLS | 2 Laps |
| PERIOD 3B 12.42pm | 11 | 17 and 18 Years BOYS | 3 Laps |
| | 12 | 17 and 18 Years GIRLS | 2 Laps |

Wet Weather: In the event of wet weather, the back-up date will be Friday 1 May. The school website (www.pennanthil-h.schools.nsw.edu.au) will display the wet weather message from 7.30am if necessary. Cross Country is generally an 'all weather' event. The back-up date will only be used for extreme weather conditions.

Sickness/Injury: In the event that your child is sick or injured on the day of the Carnival, please provide a note to be given to Mrs Kruger prior to the race so your child may be considered for Zone team selection.

Uniform: Students may wear the complete school sport uniform for the entire day.

Other: Please ensure competitors bring sufficient water and wear sunscreen.

Charlene Stewart, PDHPE Teacher



SPORT SHORTS

Congratulations to the members of our knockout sporting teams who are progressing well through the early rounds of the competition. Good luck to our Boys Open Volleyball, Boys Basketball and Girls Basketball teams who will all play their next matches early in Term 2.

Also to be congratulated are our AWD swimmers, Joshua, James, Sara and Jalen, whose performances at the Zone Carnival have earned them the opportunity to further represent our school at CHS NSW Swimming.

Another outstanding performance worthy of mention is that of Daniel (Year 10) who has been selected to play in the Sydney North Boys Open Football team. Earlier this year, Daniel was selected to play cricket at the same level. Congratulations, Daniel, on these back-to-back achievements. We also congratulate Hamish and Izaack who have been chosen as shadow players for the Sydney North Boys Open Football team.

Valmé Kruger
Sport Coordinator

School performance and your child's mental health

Forum delivered in Mandarin

Keynote speaker Dr. Xiaoping Zhu is a registered psychologist with 20 years experience, specialising in counselling for the Chinese community.

Q&A session with experts will follow.

Thursday 30 April 2015
Hornsby Shire Council Chambers
296 Peats Ferry Rd, Hornsby
6 PM - 8:30 PM

Registration and light refreshments at 5:30 PM

Bookings essential at <http://www.trybooking.com/GUOU>

For enquiries contact Rita on (02) 9777 7992



SCHOOL ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Our annual Athletics Carnival will be held on Wednesday 6 May 2015 (Week 3 of Term 2) at Pennant Hills Park (Britannia Street, Pennant Hills). The carnival will comprise a full program of track and field events in which students are encouraged to participate for both enjoyment and competition.

The Athletics Carnival is part of the normal school curriculum and **all students are expected to attend**. Students who are medically unfit to participate in the events must still attend, bringing an explanatory note from their parents. Notes are to be given to Mr Boyer by Friday 1 May 2015. These students will be given an alternative task, e.g. assisting officials.

For Year 9 and 10 students, participation in this carnival forms part of their final PDHPE assessment. **All Year 9 and 10 students are expected to compete in at least three events.**

All students will be issued with an individual registration number for recording purposes. These will be posted on the noticeboard outside the PE staffroom prior to the carnival and students are asked to familiarise themselves with their number before the day of the carnival.

Transport

Morning: Students may walk to the venue or arrive with parents. Students who travel on buses that go via Pennant Hills Station during their normal daily route, are to get off at the station and walk directly to the park. A shuttle service will also operate from the school bus bay from 8.40am for students who wish to use it.

Afternoon: The carnival will finish at approximately 2.40pm and students will be dismissed from the venue. Shuttle buses will return students to school to connect with regular services. Other students may walk home or be collected by parents.

Uniform

Students are required to wear their full **school PE uniform**.

Food and Drinks

Canteen facilities and a sausage sizzle will operate on the day.

What to Bring

Students are encouraged to bring something to sit on, warm clothes, suitable footwear and a water bottle. Hats and sunscreen are also recommended.

Wet Weather

In the event of possible cancellation due to wet weather, please check the school website at 7.30am (www.pennanthil-schools.nsw.edu.au).

Ku-ring-gai Zone Carnival

Students who place first or second at the School Carnival (in most events) will compete at the Ku-ring-gai Zone Carnival at Sydney International Athletics Centre, Homebush on Wednesday 24 June 2015. Permission notes will be distributed at school following our carnival.

Mrs Stewart will be holding training sessions for our age relay teams each Friday at lunchtime in the weeks leading up to the Zone and Regional Carnivals.

All students will be issued with a detailed information sheet, carnival program and venue map.

V Kruger and J Boyer
Carnival Organisers

ARTEXPRESS UPDATE

Congratulations to Benjamin Spencer (Year 12, 2014) who has been awarded the prestigious 'Julian Ashton Summer School Scholarship' prize for drawing.

Ben completed a series of drawings titled 'Limbo' for Visual Arts in the Higher School Certificate. His body of work is being exhibited in ARTEXPRESS at the Art Gallery of New South Wales until 19 April 2015.

Fiona Ackerman
Visual Arts Teacher

Pennant Hills High School Vaccination Clinic Schedule

- 28 May 2015 -

Year 7

Human Papillomavirus Vaccine (HPV) - Dose 2
Diphtheria-Tetanus-Pertussis

Year 8

(Catch-up) Human Papillomavirus Vaccine (HPV)

Year 12: (Catch-up) MMR

- 15 October 2015 -

Year 7

Human Papillomavirus Vaccine (HPV) - Dose 3
Chicken Pox

Year 8

(Catch-up) Human Papillomavirus Vaccine (HPV)

Year 11: (Catch-up) MMR

*** There will be NO Year 9 HPV vaccination this year.**

CAREERS @ PENNANT HILLS HIGH

Year 10 Work Experience Dates

Dates for Year 10 Work Experience Week have been recently changed. It **will not** be held in mid-May (Term 2), as previously shown on the school calendar. Instead, **Year 10 Work Experience will now be held during Early November, in Term 4.** My apologies for the change.

Macquarie in a Day

University life doesn't have to be a mystery. In fact, on Thursday 16 April 2015, Macquarie University is opening its doors to give prospective students a taste of what a day at Macquarie is really like. Visitors will be able to:

- get a feel for the campus;
- sit in on lectures and demonstration sessions;
- experience some practicals and tutorials;
- choose their own subjects and plan their own day; and
- ask lecturers and current students about what university is really like.

If you have any questions, contact the university on (02) 9850 7250 or email mqinaday@mq.edu.au

UMAT Preparation Workshops

Students in Years 10, 11 and 12 interested in medicine, dentistry, or optometry will need to sit the compulsory UMAT examination when applying for one of the listed career choices.

UMAT Preparation Workshops include an overview of the entire UMAT process - applications, exam, scores, standardising, university requirements, interviews, past experiences, professional advice, performance expectations and more. Workshops will be conducted by two highly experienced and expert lecturers who will define and explain each UMAT construct. Students will participate in strategic problem solving and tuition in each of the three UMAT constructs, as well as a full practice test conducted under exam conditions, followed by a feedback session. This intense full day preparation workshop allows students to identify and explore their true strengths and weaknesses.

The National Institute of Education (NIE) will be conducting UMAT preparation workshops at UNSW. Places are strictly limited and registration is required. Information: www.nie.edu.au

Morrisby Report Testing

Oakhill College is offering students in Years 10, 11 and 12 the opportunity to complete a comprehensive career guidance tool called the Morrisby Report, the results of which provide an objective statement of a person's underlying abilities, personality and career preferences. The test will be held on the morning of Monday 20 April 2015, at Oakhill College (note: this is the last day of the upcoming school vacation period). Payment for the test (\$100.00)

must be made to the Student Services Office of Oakhill College no later than 17 April 2015. More information can be obtained from Oakhill College Careers Office on 9899 2288.

Education USA University Info Sessions

In April and May, information sessions about US universities are being held. Interested students are encouraged to attend, as the NSW HSC is highly regarded by overseas universities.

US Undergraduate Information Session and Sport Scholarship Information Session

Date: Wednesday 8 April 2015

Time: 1.30pm for 2.00pm—4.00pm

Location: EducationUSA, US Consulate General, Level 10, MLC Centre, Sydney

RSVP: Monday 6 April 2015

www.trybooking.com/89936

US Undergraduate Information Session

Date: Friday 17 April

Time: 1.30pm for 2.00pm-3.00pm

Location: EducationUSA, US Consulate General, Level 10, MLC Centre, Sydney

RSVP: Wednesday 15 April 2015

www.trybooking.com/89936

Upcoming School Lunchtime Presentations

Note: All presentations are held on a Wednesday.

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| 22 April | Australian Careers Business College |
| 29 April | Macquarie University |
| 6 May | Sydney University |
| 13 May | TBA |
| 20 May | Defence Force Recruiting |
| 27 May | Avondale College |
| 3 June | Australian Catholic University |
| 10 June | The Hotel School |
| 17 June | University of New South Wales |
| 24 June | Bedford College |

Ashley Symons
Careers Adviser

Trial-a-Trade

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Register for the 2015 Trial-a-Trade sessions now!

Individual sessions for each field each run on:

Tuesday 14 April, Tuesday 30 June,
Saturday 12 September and Tuesday 29 September
10.00am—12.00 noon

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Information

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COMMUNITY NOTICES AND CONTACTS

COMING EVENTS

Dept of Sport and Recreation School Holiday Camps: Kids' camps for 7—16 year olds, all-inclusive family camps. A great range of venues and activities. **Information:** 13 13 02 or facebook.com/nswsportandrecreation

Thornleigh Lifeline ANNUAL BOOK FAIR: Saturday 18 and Sunday 19 April 2015: 8.00am—5.00pm
Thornleigh Community Centre, Cnr Phyllis and Central Avenue, Thornleigh (next to Bunnings)

University of Sydney 1000 Norms Project is seeking children aged 3—17 to participate in this fun and educational family activity. The program is ongoing until September 2015, but each participant is only required to attend one 2—3 hour assessment at the University of Sydney Lidcombe campus. The assessment involves basic physical tests, e.g. walking, balancing, jumping. Results will contribute to a study of how physical ability changes across the lifespan. **Information:** sydney.edu.au/health-sciences/research/1000-norms.shtml or phone Marnee or Jen on 9036 7435.

STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAMS

Rotary Youth Exchange: the opportunity of a lifetime for young Australians currently in Year 9 or 10. Expand your horizons with a year on Rotary Exchange. Discover a different culture - www.rotaryyouthexchange.net.au

Southern Cross Cultural Exchange www.scce.com.au or 1800 500 051.

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World Education Program Australia (WEP) www.wep.org.au or 1300 884 733.

Australian Institute of International Understanding (AIU) www.aiu.org.au or 1800 174 407 - program costs apply.

Lions Youth Exchange Program for 17-21 year olds - www.lionsclubs.org.au/ye

STS Student Exchange www.sts-education.com.au or 1800 263 964

AFS Intercultural Programs Australia www.afs.org.au or 1800 023 982

RECREATION AND SPORTING GROUPS

Northern District Hockey Association: www.ndhockey.com.au or phone 0419 299 808 (Adrian) or 0438 119 729 (Robert) U5—U9 'Minkey'. U11, U13 and U15 mixed junior comp. Play on a world class artificial turf facility at Pennant Hills Park.

West Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Football Club: www.wphcfc.net.au

Rugby Connect—Trytons: is a Rugby Union program developed for boys and girls with special needs between the ages of 5—17 years. The season is run by Sydney Junior Rugby with the assistance of the Australian Rugby Union and NSW Rugby. Please contact Matt Kellahan mckellahan@nswrugby.com.au or phone 9323 3407.

Hills Hawks Softball: All ages 4-adult welcome - www.hillshawks.softball.org.au or phone Hazel - 0414 474 461

Pennant Hills District Cricket Club: (15 years and over) pennanthillscricket.com.au

Milo T20 Blast Indoor Cricket School Cup: an 8-week competition for Years 7 and 8, commencing 27 April 2015. Action Indoor Sports, 7A Gundah Road, Mt Ku-ring-gai. **Information:** Austin - 9457 9040 or info@aismtkuring-gai.com.au

North Sydney Girls Cricket Association: www.nsgca.nsw.cricket.com.au/

Pennant Hills Cherrybrook Rugby League Club: www.pennostags.com or 0418 677 511 (Ross Ruhan). All ages.

Beecroft Cherrybrook Junior Rugby Union Club: www.beecroftjuniors.com.au or phone Nicola 0402 677 180.

Cherrybrook Table Tennis Club: 0412 520 854 - Enjoy social and competition table tennis.

Sydney Zodiacs Youth Dragon Boat Club: www.dbsw.org.au or sydneyzodiacs@yahoo.com.au or 0410 655 764

Epping RSL Golden Kangaroos Marching Band: www.gks.org.au or 9868 3289

Northern Sydney Youth Orchestra: for young musicians. Not-for-profit organisation. <http://www.nsyo.org.au>
Symphony Orchestra, Wind Ensemble and Strings Orchestra. Weekly rehearsals at Beecroft on Wednesdays.

2nd/3rd Pennant Hills Scout Group: 0408 121 690 (Greg Smithson) - Tuesdays (7-11) and Wednesdays (10-15).

Pennant Hills Girl Guides: 0438 284 592 (Fiona) - Mondays - Guides (10-14) 5:30-7:30pm; Senior Guides (14-18) 7-9pm.

Hornsby District Athletics (children aged 4—17): Saturday mornings at Pennant Hills Park www.hdlac.org.au

Cherrybrook Athletics Club (children aged 5—16): Friday nights 5.45pm—8.00pm www.cherrybrookathletics.org.au

Taiko Drumming (a blend of choreography, drumming, movement and music for everyone): www.taikoz.com

St Agatha's Youth Group: for students from Years 7 to 9 - www.stagatha.org.au or 0409 847 208 (Laura)

West Pennant Hills Netball: www.westpennanthills.netball.asn.au/ or <http://www.facebook.com/WPHNC>
'Netta' 7—9 years; Junior 10—15 years; Senior 16 years and above.

Thornleigh Softball: All games played at Galston. Contact Sharon—0407 442 402. www.thornleighsports.org.au/softball

Cherrybrook United Netball Club: Games played at Pennant Hills Park. Modified 'Net Set Go' (5—9) Friday evenings; Juniors (10—15) Saturday mornings; Seniors (16—open) Saturday afternoons. Phone Keryn on 0412 693 224

Castle Hill BMX Club: Fred Caterson Reserve, Castle Hill. Facebook: facebook.com/castlehillbmx
President: Michael 0404 093 303. Email: castlehillbmx@hotmail.com

COMMUNITY NOTICES AND CONTACTS

HELPERS NEEDED

Foster families needed: Department of Family and Community Services - 8303 7644
Carers can be singles, couples, with or without children, and from any cultural background.

Foster carers needed: Key Assets NSW, a dynamic not-for-profit foster care provider - 8336 5700
Providing high quality and innovative family placements for children and young people with varying needs.

Volunteer with Easy Care Gardening: www.easycaregardening.org.au or 9983 1644 (Hornsby/Ku-ring-gai)

Bilingual Volunteers Needed: City of Sydney Meals on Wheels - For more information, phone 8512 4230.

Lifeline Telephone Volunteers needed: It's never too late to make a difference ... or to learn new skills.
Join a team of volunteers on the crisis support line based at Gordon. Training is comprehensive and ongoing support is provided for all volunteer counsellors. More information: 9498 8805 or admin@lifelineh2h.org.au

COMMUNITY SERVICES AND SUPPORT

Free adult Literacy and Numeracy classes—Meadowbank TAFE: 9942 3572. Reading, writing and speaking.

Free English courses for adult migrants - www.ames.edu.au: Classes at Hornsby, Chatswood and Eastwood.

English Classes—Wednesday evenings from 7.00pm—9.00pm during school terms. Cost \$3.00 per week.
West Pennant Hills Community Church, 41–43 Eaton Road, West Pennant Hills. Information and to register: 9872 4200.

The Kids Are All Right Website for parents of Australian teenagers.
For articles on teenagers plus a forum for parents of teens, go to www.thekidsareallright.com.au.

Tertiary Scholarships for children and grandchildren of Ex-Service Men and Women: Students selected on merit.
Information and applications: www.avcat.org.au or phone 9213 7999 or 1800 620 361 (voicemail)

Jack's Youth Café at Hornsby (run by Fusion Sydney North): 5 Jersey Street Hornsby (a short walk from the station).
After school activities for students in a safe environment, Tuesdays-Fridays 3.00pm-6.00pm. Phone: 9477 1110.

Ability Options: a FREE service helping people with a disability into the job that's right for them.
More information: abilityoptions.org.au or contact Caroline Krix on 8811 1717 or caroline.krix@abilityoptions.org.au

Ability Links: supporting people with a disability, their families and carers to achieve their goals in life.
For more information phone 8830 0768 or email abilitylinks@unitingcarenswwact.org.au

Foster Care Association NSW Inc: Providing advocacy, support and information to foster carers.
www.fcansw.org.au or phone 4987 1847

Healthy Kids FREE Parent e-zine: important nutrition information and great recipes: www.healthy-kids.com.au

Enrol to Vote: If you are an Australian citizen who is 18 years of age or older, you must vote at all elections.
Check if you're enrolled at www.votensw.info, enrol to vote at www.aec.gov.au or phone 1300 135 736

Uniting Care Northmead: 8839 5107 - Workshops and counselling for parents. Phone for more information.

TOUGHLOVE: 1300 856 830 - Parents helping parents to deal with problems of unacceptable adolescent behaviour.

Parenting Education for Mums, Dad and Carers: www.nscchhs.health.nsw.gov.au/caparenting
Information and education provided by NSW Health - Northern Sydney Central Coast.

Centacare Broken Bay: 9488 2523 - Advice and support for parents.

Depression Support Group: 1300 794 991.
Hornsby RSL - first Sunday of each month. Run by Association of Relative and Friends of the Mentally Ill.

Parent Line: www.parentline.org.au or 1300 1300 52 - Free professional service 24 hours every day.

Kids Helpline: 1800 55 1800 - Free confidential service 24 hours every day.

Mission Australia: Email CAFS@missionaustralia.com.au or 9482 1366 - Free counselling and support service.

Single With Children: www.singlewithchildren.com.au or 1300 300 496
Non-profit social group providing exciting activities for single parents and their children.

Sydney Single Parents: www.SydneySingleParents.org.au or 9634 7502 (Hills) or 9411 1858 (Northside)

Hills Family Centre: 8805 7288 - Workshops and courses for parents and families.

Wesley Mission Family/Youth Services (the Hills): www.wesleymission.org.au/centres/wesleydalmar/ or 8805 7288

Community Life Church Cherrybrook Life Centre: 9651 3534 - Counselling and parenting courses available.

Newcomers Club: www.sydneynewcomers.com.au - Social club for women, offering support and friendship.

NSW Health Free Dental Clinic for 12-25 year olds: 9687 2544 - High Street Youth Health Service, Harris Park.

Rotary Club of Thornleigh Farm Markets: Third Sunday of every month - 8.00am-12.00noon - Phyllis St, Thornleigh

Christ Evangelical Centre of Australia Chinese Language School: 0410 613 814 (Jenny)

Cybersmart website: www.cybersmart.gov.au - Part of the Australian Government's cybersafety program.

The Australian Childhood Vision Impairment Register: www.vifamilynetwork.org.au
The Register collects and uses data to improve services for children and to research eye disease and disorders of vision.

Bedford College Play Sessions for children (0—5 years) and their parents/carers: Fridays 9.30am—11.30am
2 Columbia Court, Baulkham Hills. Small fee includes morning tea for children and their carers. Bookings: 1300 174 174

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