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-Y9 PLG



Diary Dates P&C Tuesday 26th June 7:30 ILC

Principal's Report

Term 2 has arrived in a rush and we have all become once again absorbed in the busy mix of activity which is Merewether High. I successfully uploaded our 2018-2020 School Plan, Annual School Report and Schools Excellence Framework Self-Assessment documents at the end of last term. Thank you to all the staff, students, parents and community members who assisted with the refinement and completion of these documents. Whilst these processes were comprehensive, I found it reinforced for all of us the importance of the role we play in providing quality education for our students and community and our accountability.

Staffing

We have had some staffing changes to begin the term with Hayley Macdonald our Deputy Principal moving to Callaghan College Waratah Campus as Principal. Congratulations Hayley, we will miss your dedication and care. Lisa Burnett will relieve as Deputy Principal with responsibility for Years 8, 10 and 12 for weeks 1-6 and Ms Clark will be our Head Teacher Social Science. Welcome to Ms Mel Smith in CAPA who replaces Ms McGrath and to Ms Lisa Parker who joins us in the English Faculty. Whilst it is sad to lose amazing staff members, it is a credit to our Head Teachers and staff who are able to welcome and support new staff members who quickly become committed to our fantastic school.

ROSA Assemblies Term 2

Our scheduled ROSA assemblies, which celebrate and recognise student achievement over Semester 1, had been scheduled for Tuesday 3rd July (Week 10 Term 2). Mr Harrison and Ms Brooks have negotiated a new venue and timeline for the annual Year 11 Jindabyne/Crossroads excursion. This excursion will now take place in Week 10 of this term from Tuesday 3rd July to Friday 6th July and hence we will hold our ROSA assemblies on MONDAY 2nd JULY. The Year 7, 9 and 11 Assembly will be held at 11am and the Year 8, 10 and 12 Assembly will be held at 1:30pm. Students and families receiving a ROSA award will be notified during week 8 this term with details of the assemblies.

ROSA

Recognition of Student Achievement



World's Greatest Shave

A key highlight of Term 1 was our school's involvement in the Leukaemia Foundation's World's Greatest

Shave. I am extremely proud of the prefect body's leadership of our school wide focus on this great cause. More than 40 students sought external sponsorship and either dyed, cropped or shaved their hair on stage. We were supported by Sarah from Kinfolk Barbers, Jemma and Kylie from Laneway Barbers as well as Maryanne from the Leukaemia Foundation who wielded the clippers on stage while the pile of detached hair grew. To the roar of student applause, our school captain Todd Hodgson made the big decision to lose his 4 year old dreadlocks to express his commitment.



It was an emotional day with many students expressing their personal motivation and support. As a school we raised in excess of \$28 000, placing us nationally in the top bracket of fundraisers.

The power of the awareness raised through these type of activities cannot be underestimated and I thank all the student body and school community for their support. It is these events which help affirm the strong bond and culture which is Merewether High School.

External Validation

Merewether High School has been selected to undertake External Schools Validation in November this year. This is an opportunity for us to assess our level of achievement across the 14 domains of the Schools Excellence Framework. It is an external assessment by an independent panel who assess the evidence we are able to assemble which substantiates our Self-Assessment of achievement.



We have assembled a team of staff to lead the self-assessment and evidence gathering for External Validation. We will examine 4 key areas of Teaching,

Learning, Leading and our School Strategic Plan in this process. I am confident that we have outstanding processes and systems in place and the evidence gathering will be an empowering process which we as a staff will share.

Academic Reviews for Year 12

All Year 12 students will continue their support program with the senior executive through scheduled meetings in weeks 4-6 of this term. Our 20 minute meetings will allow us to discuss results and reflect on the recent mid-course examinations, possible career paths, study support strategies and potential ATAR estimates. Students were emailed a questionnaire and a schedule of interview times and are able to guide seek additional guidance during the meetings. Data which emerges from these meetings will allow us to support and guide them more fully in their preparation for the Trials and HSC.





The Big Freeze

I have been approached by The Big Freeze Newcastle to support their fundraising for research into Motor Neurone Disease. Leah Jay is a prominent supporter of this charity and visited our school assembly earlier this year to share her commitment. Leah's son Elliott was a student at Merewether



High School who contracted MND after leaving school and lost his battle two years later. The Big Freeze raises awareness and funds for valuable research and culminates in a number of "Sliders" sliding into a pool of ice and water on June 23rd. With some trepidation, I will be a slider!

By continuing to promote these community fund raising initiatives, I feel our students grow in social awareness and appreciate the impact individuals can make. This term we will have some fund raising initiatives to support MND research in the lead up to the Big Freeze Slide.

Anyone interested in finding out more or supporting the initiative can visit the website below.

http://www.newcastlefreeze.com/

Outstanding Achievements

I am constantly receiving amazing news of student achievements both whilst representing Merewether High and pursuing their passions outside of school. Thank you to the many parents who pass on these messages and those students who volunteer their good news – it is interesting to see how many students are humble and do not seek the recognition they deserve. My congratulations to

- Teyjah Abell who has been representing Australia in Floorball in Europe where I have seen a number of reports of her fine sportsmanship and leadership.
- Rosie Gately and George McNamanra, who were successful in Rostrum Youth Public Speaking and will move to the state finals in Sydney.
- Our Open Boys' Water Polo team and their dedicated coach Mel Easton who won the State Final late last term. Special congratulations to Mitch Robinson and Matt Humby who were once again named in the Australian Team (Born 2001) to compete internationally this year.
- Lucy Witherdin has demonstrated amazing leadership through her success as State Winner of Lions Youth of the Year. Lucy competed in the national finals in Townsville where she won the Public Speaking section and was also selected for a tour of New Zealand and Tasmania.
- Charlie Hawke has had phenomenal achievements in both the CHS Swimming Championships and at the Australian Age Championships in Sydney recently. Charlie swam in the finals of 8 out of the 9 events he entered and was crowned Australian Championed for the 100m and 200m Butterfly. Added to this were bronze medals in the 200m Freestyle and 400m Individual Medley, capping a fantastic meet. Deservedly, these results place Charlie in the top 10 swimmers for his age in the country.
- Louis Stibbard continues to excel in the realm of cycling. Coupled with top level performances in the Australian National Track Cycling Titles whilst representing NSW, Louis recently was recognised by Pat Conroy in the presentation of a Local Sporting Champion Grant.

On a regular basis I share the fantastic achievement of our students with the school at our weekly assemblies and endeavour to acknowledge success over a variety of fronts. I would appreciate at any time hearing from any parents about our students' success – unfortunately they themselves are often reluctant to share.





Congratulations to Maya Cox, Y9 who was a finalist in the Moran Photography Competition with this amazing portrait photo.

Tony Southward

May



Deputy Principal's Report

Year 12

Congratulations to Year 12 on the way they prepared and worked through the Mid-Course exam period. Results have been returned and students have had the opportunity to work with their teachers and mentors in reflecting on their strengths from those exams and also identifying areas for extra revision and development throughout this Term. We had a meeting with Year 12 to refocus and ensure we are all on common ground in relation to their road ahead, the important message is consistency and ensuring that all students are working towards achieving their personal best. "The better we all do, the better we all do" is the theme for them as they power on with the new learning in Term 2.

Elevate

Our partnership with ELEVATE Education sees them provide ongoing support for students in Years 10 to 12 as well as support and guidance for parents. The ELEVATE study skills sessions have been held for both Year 11 and Year 10 as well as a Parent Session in week 2 of this term. Year 11 focussed on memory mnemonics and a range of key strategies to assist them to remember key pieces of information as a tool to support their revision and study preparation. The Year 10 focus was on study strategies to avoid procrastination and make study time more effective and purposeful. Time management and revision techniques were a key focus of this session. Both groups have been provided with access via a set login and password to an online study resource. Any student who needs further information in relation to this resource should see Mrs Burnett.

Parent Learning Group

The parent learning group sessions continue this term in the School Learning Centre with coffee at 8.30 am and the session running from 9.00am to 10.30am. Invitations will be sent out by email in the week before. If parents have any areas they would like focussed on please contact Ms Burnett or Ms Corney.

Week 3 15th May – Year 7 Week 4 22nd May - Year 8 Week 5 29th May - Year 9 Week 6 5th June - Year 10 Week 7 12th June - Year 11 Week 8 19th June - Year 12

Term 2 Assessment

Term 2 is a busy term for assessment and reporting with the following assessment periods scheduled:

- Week 5 Year 11 Assessment period
- Week 6 Years 7-9 will complete their semester 2 examinations
- Week 9 Year 10 Assessment period



2018

Mr Horrell will release year group exam timetables to students shortly. These exams are an important part of our teaching, learning and assessment cycle where students can demonstrate their learning and achievement at this time and receive further feedback to assist them in continuing to strive towards their personal best and maintaining a growth mindset. In working towards their exams we have supported students through a range of study skills sessions in guidance and explicit study strategies being taught in classrooms.

Whilst nothing beats a quality regular home study program, the following tips are useful for all students as a specific lead in to an exam phase.

Start your exam preparation early enough – a minimum of 3 weeks lead in time supports good preparation.

- 3 weeks out ensure your notes are up to date and organised for all subjects and courses.
- 2 weeks out revise notes and learn content through a variety of specific study strategies such as graphic organisers, study cards, summary techniques and quizzes (many strategies can be found in your student diary).
- 1 week out complete practice tests and review questions.

All students will be provided with a copy of the **3**, **2**, **1 Go** plan to assist with their preparation over the coming weeks.

It is important to create a task "to do" list when studying to ensure you use your time wisely. This helps to avoid procrastination and supports you to stay focussed during your study session. Some further tips and advice can be obtained from www.studyvibe.com.au

Uniform

Term 2 always brings with it a colder snap in our weather. This week prompts a timely reminder in relation to ensuring all students are well prepared with winter school uniform in particular jackets and jumpers so that we maintain our high standard of uniform throughout the colder months. The school uniform is available through the school uniform shop onsite at the school or alternatively parents can order the uniform online and items can be collected by students. If any student requires assistance to get access to uniform please contact the Principal.

Lisa Burnett Relieving Deputy Principal





ENGLISH REPORT

The English Faculty would like to welcome Ms Lisa Parker to our school. Lisa is a very experienced teacher who gained the position as our newest staff member through merit selection. I'm sure you will all make her feel very welcome.

"Hello Merewether High School, my name is Ms Lisa Parker-Aldridge (Parker is fine) and I am very excited to start at the school this week. At my previous school, Karabar High School, I taught a range of classes from Year 7 – 12 Extension 2, along with working with students in rural and remote schools via the Distance Education Centre. I have been heavily involved in Debating and Public Speaking for the last ten years, along with Drama and Theatresports. I look forward to meeting students and parents over the coming weeks."

Lisa Parker

Debating 2018

The debating rounds for 2018 have been rung in.

A good number of the Year 11 and 12 squad was able to attend a workshop on the second Monday of the holidays to regroup, refine knowledge of debating methods, put themselves in the place of the adjudicator and engage in a mini-debate. Their preparation saw MHS [A] and MHS [B] teams compete with collegiality and excellence in both rounds of the Premier's Challenge Debating Competition that have been run to date. We were sorry to see Harry Su retire from the A team, after his many successes with them over the years, and thank him for his reasoning, wit and company. The team was very fortunate in headhunting Elly, who has done a great job merging into the space he left and we welcome her.

On May 1st, MHS [B] team [Arthy Mukunthan, Nevenya Cameron, Alexandra Plotnikoff and Eamonn Hanna] were up against MHS [A] team [Rosie Gately, Elly Diamandis-Nikoletatos, Lucy Witherdin and Callum Donnolley] to debate the proposition "that we should implement mandatory drug-testing in high schools" – the win went to MHS [A] team.

MHS [A] and MHS [B] then debated against Lambton HS on May 2nd to debate the propositions "that we should have at least one indigenous actor in every Australian TV show or movie" and "that we should allow workers to sacrifice their rights for more pay". The adjudicator complimented all teams on the high level of debate reached, awarding wins to MHS [A] against Lambton, and to Lambton against MHS B. Congratulations to all on your efforts, skill development and pluck.

The final round at zone level for Year 11 and 12 debaters will take place soon against Kotara HS.

The Year 9 and 10 debaters will begin competition rounds very soon, coached by Ms L. Corney. The Year 7 and 8 debaters will then follow, coached by Mrs Carman. Her call for expressions of interest generated a lot of response, so meetings were held, trials were run, and she will finalise the formation of these squads on her return from leave.

On a social matter, the Year 11 and 12 debaters are keen to have an evening debate Parents vs Offspring. This has been mooted for a while now and we feel this could be The Term. Expressions of interest can be made to Michelle Burdekin via the English Faculty.

M. Burdekin 11/12 Debating Coach English Faculty





PUBLIC SPEAKING

On the 5th of April, students from Merewether High School competed in the Rostrum Voice of Youth Regional Public Speaking heats at Newcastle High School. Students prepared a speech on a selected topic, interpreted the task, putting their own individual touch on it and presented it to the adjudicators and audience.

Merewether High School students George McNamara, Year 9 and Rosanna Gately, Year 12 won the Junior and Senior speaking heats respectively.

Emma Cullen and Rochelle Manning in Year 8, Saharsh Joshi in Year 10 and Harry Su in Year 12 also competed and presented thought provoking and engaging interpretations of their chosen topics.

Both Rosie and George will progress to the state final in Sydney in June. We wish them all the best with the next round of the competition and warmly congratulate all the competitors.

Clair Bennett Public Speaking Coordinator

Social Science

Indigenous Perspectives Incursion Year 7 and 10 Geography

On Friday the 23rd March we welcomed Mr David Newham who ran workshops on indigenous perspectives related to their current areas of study in Geography. **Year 7** students have been investigating landscapes and landforms examining the diversity of landscapes around the world and how different groups of people may value landforms for their aesthetic, cultural or economic value. David was able to share with students some Awabakal stories about the formation of some local landforms and their spiritual and cultural significance.

The Year 7 reflections on the day highlight the importance of hearing about aboriginal culture from an indigenous person rather than through secondary sources.





Bella Lukaszewicz 7N

28/03/2018

<u>Reflection Task</u>

One morning in the Learning Centre period 1 three year seven classes were treated to a fabulous and informative Geography incursion about Aboriginal and Indigenous values and beliefs, especially regarding cultural and historical mindsets. Among many other insightful knowledge, the person speaking/presenting told us of a mindset that many if not all indigenous cultures upheld - that the world, the planet, the universe and every single tiny thing inside it was part of your Wyrrumpaa, which means Camp-World. This understanding was that every little thing was part of your world, which meant that it was important and you need to be aware of your relationship with all plants, animals, people, resources and materials. It is important to do this so you can achieve a level of depth and wisdom in your surroundings. In their belief it was essential to knowing your place in the world. He also told us of a cultural Dreaming story about the beginning of coal and the Indigenous belief that part of the essence of an angry fire spirit lies inside. The Aboriginal people discovered coal and found a way to explain it and include it in their Wyrrumpaa. They found coal as a plentiful, useful tool and material but they knew that as the fire spirit lies inside that they must be extremely careful. They knew not to exploit it's many hidden depths to far as the impact on the environment was great. The Indigenous culture were very knowledgeable and wise and this coal story is a significant and valid example of how the original custodians of this land valued and respected their Mother.

This session taught me a lot about Geographical perspectives and human impact on landscapes and landforms. I also learnt a lot about having positive/negative relationships with the land.

Year 10 students studying environmental management and change in our "Connecting to country' unit were able to develop a deeper understanding of the use of fire by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples in managing the environment with particular reference to current practices by the Worimi people in Stockton. A testament to David's capacity to engage young people was the gathering of Year 10 boys who stayed behind to further 'yarn' with David about the many and varied topics he had touched upon on the day.

I would like to thank David for his time on behalf of the students as I know they greatly valued the understanding they developed and the connections formed through this shared experience.

Mrs Burnett Head Teacher Social Science







CAPA

Upcoming events

Star Struck Showtimes

Friday 15th June - 10am and 7pm Saturday 16th June – 2pm and 7pm

Lizotte's Senior Music Showcase

Monday 25th June – 7pm

POSH Concert

Thursday 2nd August - 7:30pm







P&C/Canteen News

New P&C Executive

At the AGM on 20 March, the following members were elected to the P&C Executive:

President: Michael Jonker Vice President & Canteen Convenor: Sally Thompson Vice President: Angela Watling Secretary: Malini Stephen Treasurer: Ian Lathwell

Sincere thanks to the outgoing executive for all of their efforts.

The next meeting of the P&C is on **Tuesday**, **15 May** at 7.00pm in the Independent Learning Centre. All parents and carers are very welcome to attend.

Volunteers Urgently Needed

The canteen is the main P&C fundraiser at Merewether High and the only way we can raise funds to help our school and its students is through the wonderful work of our volunteers.

We are desperate for helpers on a number of Tuesdays and Fridays over the next three terms. If you can help out, even for one day a term, it would be greatly appreciated. If you can't do a full day but can offer two or three hours, that would also be of help.

If you can lend a hand, please either email <u>merewetherhighpandccanteen@gmail.com</u> or phone the school on 4969 3855 and ask to be put through to the canteen.

EFTPOS in Canteen

The trial EFTOS terminal in the canteen is proving very popular with the students. It is available at the order window before school and at one checkout at recess and lunch, in addition to the usual cash payments.

Entertainment Books:

You can order on line, by following this link: <u>www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/3466u6</u>

Digital editions can be downloaded on line, and hard copies of the book can be collected or purchased at the school canteen. The books remain great value at \$65 each!

Please forward this information to family and friends who may be interested in helping us meet our fundraising goals. For any questions, contact Tracie McNulty: <u>tracie.mcnulty@yahoo.com.au</u>

Thanks for your support!

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2018

Congratulations to Brad Martin Year 12 who competed at the CHS Baseball Championship Tournament held in Milperra in Sydney from 19th - 22nd March. Hunter won 1 game, drew 2 games and lost 2 games of the 5 games that they played. Hunter came 4th for 'for and against.'



Water Polo Winners!

Merewether has had its most successful year of Water polo in 2018 with the girls' team making it to the final of the Hunter Region Open CHS knockout water polo and the boys' team being crowned Open State Champions. Unfortunately, the girls were beaten by eventual NSW State winners, Lambton High. The girls' team is developing some outstanding depth particularly in the U/15's age group with four of the girls, Jessica Norgard, Milla Harrison, Ruby Browne and Samantha Keogh being selected in the Open Hunter Region team to compete later in the year.

The girls' team consisted of Milla Harrison, Jessica Norgard, Samantha Keogh, Ruby Browne, Sophia McMahon, Katie McMahon, Teyjah Abell, Maddy Mulder, Danielle Hallett, Charli Campbell, Jessilyn Maher and Lara Van Dorsen.

The Open Boys' team Matthew Humby, Mitch Robinson, Campbell Starrett, Joseph Lyons, Bailey Proud, Jarred Muller, Ben McPherson, Oscar Power, Thomas Grice, Whittaker Downey and Angus McBean were crowned Hunter Region Champions defeating Lambton High 10-9, to continue through to the State titles on the 5th and 6th April at Lambton Pool. The first day of the competition saw Merewether winning all games and placing first in their pool. On the Friday in the Semi Final, the boys gained an impressive win over Caringbah High School with Mitch Robinson and Matt Humby scoring six goals between them. The boys were through to the CHS State Final for the third consecutive year.

The boys' final was played against Balgowlah Boys HS (having defeated us in the final in 2016), with both sides boasting several NSW CHS Representatives.

The game began with Bailey Proud winning the swim off and taking first possession. Despite a strong opening minute from Merewether, Balgowlah fought hard to take a 3-1 lead at the end of the first quarter. A very strong defensive second quarter from both teams resulted in only the one goal from Jarred Muller to take Balgowlah to a half time lead of 3-2.

The third quarter saw Mitch and Matt score points, both scoring outstanding goals to produce a 5 - 5 score line at the end of the third quarter. With momentum gaining for Merewether in the fourth quarter we were leading 7-6 with only a few minutes remaining. Balgowlah scored a goal with 40 seconds left on the clock to lock the scores 7 -7 at full time. This game was to be almost a re-run of the Grand Final in 2016, with a



penalty shoot-out to decide the winner. Mitch jumped at the opportunity and the challenge to become the goal keeper for the penalties. The game concluded with a 10 - 9 score line in favour of Merewether with penalty goals being scored by Joey Lyons, Jarred Muller and Ben McPherson. Mitch Robinson was named player of the final. It was a very entertaining game and a well deserved win for the boys after three years of being finalists in the competition.

Merewether High School Bulletin





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Tartan Formal Skirt	All Sizes	\$69.00		+
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Sport Shorts	All Sizes	\$38.00		
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Trolley Bag	One Size	\$109.00	13	
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Socks - white crew (1pack)	All Sizes	\$6.95		
Socks - black crew (1pack)	All Sizes	\$6.95	2	
Microfibre Tights - navy	All Sizes	\$10.00	_	
Gloves - navy	One Size	\$8.00		
Scarf - navy	One Size	\$12.00		
Leather Belt - black	All Sizes	\$15.00	<u> </u>	
Bucket Hat	One Size	\$21.00	8	
Sports Cap	One Size	\$18.00	8	

SHOES

School Shoes - to be black lace-up, able to be polished leather school shoes which do not extend over the ankle or have a platform. The leather should cover the whole upper foot for safety. Boots, joggers and sneakers are not permitted.

Sports Shoes/PE Practical - to be predominantly white, and should have laces or veloro straps, and be supportive of the feet during exercise.

PLEASE NOTE

- Sizes available : Primary School: Boys J4 XS & Girls J4 L8 / Secondary School: Boys J10 3XL & Girls J10 L20.
- Sizes not carried are available by order, however, production time (usually 90 days) must be allowed, and a 50% non-refundable deposit
 made upon order.
- For sizes 4XL and L22 and over, a \$10 surcharge will apply

Online orders are distributed from the Uniform Shop, therefore postage will occur on the next opening day of the Uniform Shop.

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OPERATING HOURS – School Term –

8.00am - 12.00pm

1.00pm - 3.30pm

Monday

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	MAY	
Mon 21/5	Y12 Academic Review commences	
Tues 22/5	Y12 Parent Teacher Interviews Y8 PLG	
Wed 23/5	National History Competition	
Fri 25/5	Y11 Assessment period commences	
Mon 28/5	Y7 - 9 Blackout period commences	
Tues 29/5	ICAS Science Y9 PLG	
	JUNE	
Fri 1/6	Hunter Regional Cross Country Y11 Assessment Period conclude National Sorry Day	
Mon 4/6	Y7 - 9 Assessment Period commences	
Tues 5/6	Y10 PLG	
Fri 8/6	Y12 Academic Review concludes	
Mon 11/6	Queen's Birthday Holiday	
Tues 12/6	Starstruck Week	
Wed 13/6	ICAS Spelling	
Thurs 14/6	ICAS Writing	
Mon 18/6	Vaccinations Y10 & 11 Y10 Blackout period Commences	
Fri 22/6	Y11 Reports issued	
Mon 25/6	Y10 Assessment period commences	
Tues 26/6	Y7 PLG	
Thurs 28/6	Y11 Parent Teacher Interviews	
Fri 29/6	NAIDOC Assembly	
	JULY	
Mon 2/7	ROSA Assemblies • 7, 9, 11 - 11:00am • 8, 10, 12 - 1:30pm	
Tues 3/7	Y11 Jindabyne day - 1/4	
Wed 4/7	Y11 Jindabyne day - 2/4	
Thurs 5/7	Green Day	
Fri 6/7	Y11 Jindabyne day - 3/4 Yrs 7, 8, 9 Reports Issued	
	Y11 Jindabyne day - 4/4	



	JULY
Term 3 - Mon 23/7	School Development Day
Tues 24/7	Students Return Y12 Meeting
Thurs 26/7	Y7 - 2019 Tour and Information Session - 4:00pm
Fri 27/7	CHS Cross Country
Tues 31/7	Y 7 & 9 Parent Teacher Interviews ICAS English
	AUGUST
Wed 1/8	Regional Athletics day 1/2 Opportunity Class Placement Test
Thurs 2/8	Regional Athletics day 2/2
Mon 6/8	Y10 Reports issued Y12 Blackout Period commences
Thurs 9/8	Y 8 & 10 Parent Teacher Interviews Australian Maths Comp
Mon 13/8	Y10 (2019) Course Information Evening - 4:30pm Y11 (2019) Course Information Evening - 6:00pm
Tues 14/8	Y8 (2019) Course Information Evening - 4:30pm Y9 (2019) Course Information Evening - 5:30pm ICAS Maths
Mon 20/8	Y12 Trial HSC commences
Tues 21/8	P&C Meeting
Mon 27/8	Y11 Blackout Period commences
Fri 31/8	Y12 Trial HSC concludes
	SEPTEMBER
Tues 4/9	Y12 ELEVATE - 'Finishing Line'
Wed 5/9	CHS Athletics - day 1/3
Thurs 6/9	CHS Athletics - day 2/3
Fri 7/9	CHS Athletics - day 3/3
Mon 10/9	Y11 Final Assessment period commences
Tues 18/9	Y7 PLG
Fri 21/9	Y11 Final Assessment period concludes
Mon 24/9	Y12 Meeting Y12 (2019) Extension Course Information Session - 4:30pm Y7 Vaccinations
Tues 25/9	P&C Meeting 7:30pm - ILC



	SEPTEMBER	
Wed 26/9	Y12 Reports Issued Sports Presentation Assembly - 9:00am Y12 Formal	
Fri 28/9	Y12 Presentation Assembly - 9:30am	
Term 4	OCTOBER	
Mon 15/10	Y12 (2019) Learning Conference ELEVATE - <i>Time Management</i>	
Tues 16/10	Y7 (2020) Information Session - 4:00pm	
Wed 17/10	Y7 (2019) Challenge Day - 9:30am - 1:00pm	
Mon 22/10	HSC Commences	
Mon 29/10	Y11 Reports issued	
Tues 30/10	Y7 PLG	
Fri 31/10	Y9 Urban Challenge - day 1/3	
NOVEMBER		
Thurs1/11	Y9 Urban Challenge - day 2/3	
Fri 2/11	Y9 Urban Challenge - day 3/3	
Mon 5/11	Y7 - 10 Blackout Period commences	
Mon 12/11	Y7 - 10 Assessment Period	
Tues 13/11	Y9 PLG	
Fri 16/11	Last Day HSC	
Tues 20/11	Y10 PLG	
Fri 23/11	Prefects' Investiture - 11:00am	
Tues 27/11	Y11 (2019) PLG	
Thurs 29/11	Y11 Assembly - 11:00am	
	DECEMBER	
Mon 3/12	Learning Reflection Y7	
Mon 10/12	Learning Reflection Y8	
Tues 11/12	Y7 (2019) Orientation Day	
Mon 17/12	Y10 Assembly - 9:00am Y9 Assembly - 11:00am	
Tues 18/12	Y8 Assembly - 9:00am Y7 Assembly - 11:00am	
Wed 19/12	Presentation Assembly - 10:30am Last Day of School	
Thurs 20/12	Y12 BBQ - 11:00am	