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Principal's Report

Welcome back to the beginning of another exciting year at Merewether High School. A big welcome to our new families and a special welcome to our Year 7 students. We also welcome new staff. Mitchell Jones – Mathematics, Gabbi Borrelli – Humanities, and Debbie Gillespie - Mathematics, and we welcome back Danielle Jenkins – Mathematics, Dean Morrissey – PDHPE, Adam Davidson – PDHPE, Erin James – English, and Tony Johnston – TAS.

I am very happy to be back at school and am looking forward to this year. Thank you to Mr Southward who relieved as Principal during my secondment last year and to the many staff who stepped up throughout the year to take on greater roles and responsibilities. The school was in good hands with Mr Southward in the role last year.

Our School Development Day at the beginning of the term involved staff looking at Cognitive Load Theory and its implications for teaching and learning, we revisited explicit instruction, learning intentions and success criteria and the role this plays in every lesson and continued the work on thinking skills, including creative and critical thinking and the development of these skills in our students. We will continue throughout the year to maintain our focus on teaching and learning with professional learning focusing on thinking skills, cognitive load theory, integration of technology in learning and future focused skills.

Our annual swimming carnival was a great way to start the school year, with a demonstration by our students of what makes Merewether High such a great school. The enthusiasm and participation from students was outstanding, with students taking the time out to demonstrate the pride they have in their school. A number of records were broken with many outstanding swims on the day. Congratulations to all students who attended the carnival.

Last week a letter was emailed to all parents outlining the many avenues for communication. This included a number of important dates for teacher parent interviews and curriculum information nights which will occur throughout the year. I would ask that you note these dates in your calendar. More information will be provided closer to the dates.

If you have a question, concern, or query any time please contact the school. Year Advisers should be your first point of contact.

Dates to Remember

Tues 19th

-Y7 Welcome BBQ -
5:30pm
-School Dance - 6:30pm

Wed 20th

-Zone Swimming

Wed 27th - Fri 1st

-Y7 Camp

**Year Advisers 2019**

- ♦ Ms Bennet and Ms Roxby – Year 7
- ♦ Ms Davis and Mr Poulios – Year 8
- ♦ Mrs Clark and Mr Byrnes – Year 9
- ♦ Mrs Scollay and Ms Wenham – Year 10
- ♦ Mrs Allen and Mr Morrissey – Year 11
- ♦ Ms Brooks and Mr Harrison – Year 12

Head Teachers 2019

- ♦ English – Ms McNaughton (relieving)
- ♦ Mathematics – Mr Singh
- ♦ Science – Mr Smith
- ♦ Humanities – Mr Gibb
- ♦ Social Science – Mrs Burnett
- ♦ CAPA – Ms Sutherland
- ♦ PDHPE/Languages – Mr Harrison (relieving)
- ♦ TAS – Mrs McCudden
- ♦ Technology/Languages – Mr Cox
- ♦ Administration – Mr Horrell
- ♦ Teaching and Learning – Mr Berry (relieving)

If you would like to discuss course specific information, please contact the relevant Head Teacher.

Deputy Principals 2019

- ♦ Mrs Crooks – Years 7, 9 and 11
- ♦ Mr Southward – Years 8, 10 and 12

The Deputies can also be contacted if you have a question in relation to your child.

If you would like to email your child's Year Adviser, the relevant Head Teacher or Deputy Principal, please do so via the school email address:

merewether-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au or call 49693855.

A full staff list has been placed later in the bulletin.



Our annual Welcome to Year 7 BBQ, provides the opportunity for parents of Year 7 to meet other parents and staff in an informal environment. Light refreshments and a BBQ are provided by the SRC. Details of this event are as follows:

19 February 2019 – 5:30pm – 6:30pm – meet at MHS Hall. A welcome to Year 7 dance will be held immediately following the BBQ from 6:30 – 9:30. The first P&C Meeting for the year will coincide with our welcome BBQ and dance. The meeting will be held in the Independent Learning Centre at the front of the school, commencing at 7:00pm. It would be great to see new parents at this meeting.

This year will see three significant projects in the school. The L Block bottom floor refurbishment and the stabilisation of the building structure will, if all goes to plan, be completed by the end of 2019. This will mean the need to continue to move classes out of the two labs and the language classroom for the remainder of the year. We have requested a refurbishment of the toilets located in L Block to be included in the scope of works for this project. The next project will be the replacement of the hall roof, removing the tiles which have become porous and replacing with colourbond roofing. The timeline for this project is for completion by the middle of the year. The other major project is as a part of the Cooler Classrooms funding. We have been successful in being included in the first round of this state funded project. How many classrooms this includes and the timeline for the project is yet to be communicated. It will mean air conditioning in some classrooms with the electricity offset through the installation of solar panels. Some of the smaller projects we have planned for the year are air conditioning in the Learning Centre, painting and carpeting of the K Block downstairs corridors and a watering system for the front of the school.

The Athletics Carnival will be held this year on Thursday 7 March at the Glendale Athletics Complex. The venue is used extensively by schools over the next two and a half terms and we are allocated a date by the venue. I would like all students to ensure they attend this carnival and share in a day that allows us to work as a whole school and build the sense of spirit necessary for a school to be successful. More information will come out in regards to this carnival closer to the date.

Congratulations

Past students Lauren Moore and Danielle Lewis who have been successful in receiving Port Stephens Mayoral Scholarships to support them in their tertiary studies.

Teyjah Abell who has been selected in the NSW under 18s hockey team.

Edan Brichta who has been selected in the NSWCVHS Cricket team.

Attendance

Later in this Bulletin I have included the Department of Education's parent brochure outlining attendance requirements for all students. If you are concerned about your child's attendance please contact their Year Adviser, Mr Horrell, the Head Teacher Administration or the relevant Deputy Principal.



Deputy Principal's Report

Welcome to 2019, a fresh start for everyone and excitement ahead for all. It is with great pleasure that I resume my role as Deputy Principal and I look forward to working closely with students and parents this year. Ms Rippon, Ms Crooks and I have set as one of our key goals this year, to be more closely involved with classroom learning and supporting staff and students in building deep thinking and understanding.

Term 1 presents great opportunities for all our students and guarantees fun and variety. Our swimming carnival last week was an outstanding day which showed the true spirit of our school – students embracing fun, competing for their personal enjoyment and supporting their fellow students. Our participation rates are the envy of all High Schools and it was a truly inclusive day for all. This week features our Valentine's Day Celebrations where our SRC will deliver Chocolate Hearts to fellow students with messages of support.

Week 4 begins with our Meet the Teacher BBQ on Tuesday 19th February for new students and Year 7 families. This is a great chance to touch base with staff and for parents to put a face to a name. Later that evening our first School Dance for 2019 will be held from 6:30pm to 9:30pm and I encourage students to come along to help welcome our new students. Ms Allen and her SRC do an amazing job with organising safe, enjoyable dances for our students and many staff will be present throughout the night for support and supervision.

Many of our clubs, ensembles and interest groups start 2019 with an open invitation to new members whether it is social justice, the JAM or string ensemble, MHS Enviro group or our Pi day team. Over the next few weeks our sporting coaches will be calling for interested players in an amazing variety of sports and our staff leading Starstruck will be advertising for auditions and try outs in a number of disciplines.

Ms Jenkins and the Maths staff will be coordinating Pi day on 14th March and our Year 12 students and Prefects will be leading our annual "World's Greatest Shave" fundraiser for the end of term. Add to these, our Harmony Day celebrations, Athletics Carnival and Year 7 Camp to make this a term of tremendous opportunity for all.

Ms Crooks and I have been working to finalise the Assessment calendars for Years 7-11 and will issue these by Week 4. These term by term planners allow students and families to gain an overview of scheduled class and formal assessments and assist in preparation and planning. The tasks appearing on the calendar are generally listed at the start of each week and individual subjects and teachers will negotiate the exact date of tasks with their classes. School diaries are a fantastic organisational tool and they also contain a page of guidelines about preparing for assessments.

Finally a reminder that we begin Parent Learning Groups in week 4 with Year 7 and continue through the year. These are amazing opportunities for our Deputy Principals and Head Teachers to work closely with parents in support of their children's educational experience. Invitations will be emailed to families in the week prior to the PLG and presentations and documents will be posted on the school website after the event for those families unable to attend.

If you have any queries or need for support please contact myself or Ms Crooks on 4969 3855.



English

A very warm welcome to all our new families, and welcome back to all our continuing students and parents. This year the English staff are looking forward to working with students in classes and in a range of co-curricular activities.

All students in Years 7 - 9 will continue to engage in wide reading at the beginning of each English lesson. Reading widely for pleasure exposes students to new worlds, develops imagination and helps to improve their writing. Students should ensure that they have a novel to read at the beginning of each English lesson. They may choose to borrow a library book, bring a novel from home or have a novel downloaded onto their digital device. When reading ebooks on digital devices, it is important to ensure that the device meets the recommended screen size outlined in the schools BYOD policy. iPhones and iPods do not meet the recommended screen size and are not suitable for reading novels in class. Any student who is a member of the Newcastle or Lake Macquarie City library may be interested in electronically borrowing eBooks on their devices. This service is offered to all library members, is free and allows the borrowing of eBooks from home or school. Information on how to loan and access eBooks is available on the Newcastle and Lake Macquarie library websites.

While we encourage students to have an electronic device to use when required in class, **all students require an English workbook**. This workbook is used for note taking and to complete class work each lesson.

Years 7 – 12 Assessment schedules have been distributed to students and uploaded to the school Moodle. These schedules outline the task requirements, weightings and timing of each assessment task for the year.

Merewether High has had numerous successes in debating and public speaking. All public speaking, debating and writing competitions will be promoted to students through email and the daily notices. Students interested in being involved in any of these activities should ensure that they check their email regularly. The following teachers will be coordinating co-curricular activities throughout 2019:

- ◆ Years 7/8 debating Ms Carman
- ◆ Years 9/10 debating Ms Burdekin
- ◆ Years 11/12 debating Ms Corney
- ◆ Public speaking Ms Bennet
- ◆ Writing competitions Ms McNaughton
- ◆ ICAS Mr Evans

As a faculty we look forward to working with students throughout 2019.

Donna McNaughton (RHT English)



Social Science

Student News

We welcome Year 7 students who have been issued with their assessment schedule for Geography and we look forward to developing their skills as budding geographers over the course of the year.

Students in Years 8 to 10 Commerce and Geography classes have been notified of their assessment schedules which have been posted on the school's Moodle site for access at home or at school. The schedules include: course outcomes, report outcomes and assessment items.

All Year 11 and 12 students studying Social Sciences subjects have been issued with appropriate documentation in line with Board of Studies guidelines.

Further Matters

- ♦ The National Geographic Channel Australian Geography Competition 2019 will be held during Week 9 of Term 1. The competition is compulsory for Years 9, 10 and 12. Students in Years 7 and 8 who would like to take up the challenge can pay \$4.00 to the front office by 22nd March.
- ♦ Year 7 will attend an Aboriginal Perspectives incursion at school in week 10 and a field trip to Awabakal Field Study Centre in Term 2, Week 2.
- ♦ Year 10 will be attending a mandatory field trip into Newcastle in Term 3.
- ♦ The Mock Trial Competition is underway for 2019 under the guidance of Mrs Tonks.
- ♦ The Mock United Nations Assembly (MUNA) Competition will take place in Muswellbrook in May. Mrs Burnett will be organising this extra curricula activity.
- ♦ The Share Market Game will get underway in early March 2019. Students in Year 9 Commerce will test their financial skills in this competition.

Business Studies Update

The new group of Preliminary HSC students have started the course with a great deal of enthusiasm. Throughout the Preliminary and HSC courses, Business Studies students regularly receive small research tasks and are challenged to make recommendations to solve business issues based on their new knowledge. This arrangement of delivering work and gaining confidence in actively using the knowledge of business concepts is designed to give students an authentic experience of the type of post-tertiary graduate position work they will be required to undertake in large corporate settings.

HSC Business Studies students', have begun the Finance topic and are currently considering a range of equity and debt finance options to suit the requirements of hypothetical and real word businesses.

Legal Studies Update

Our new group of Preliminary Legal Studies students have begun immersing themselves in a wide array of concepts to familiarise themselves with the basics of The Australian Legal System. From the rule of law to equality and fairness, the students are engaged in examining contemporary legal issues and have begun to consider what constitutes justice. Lively debate and discussion is central to the delivery of the course and later this semester students will also have an opportunity to visit the Supreme Court in Sydney to observe the operation of our court system.

All students will be offered the opportunity to participate in the MUNA competition. This is a youth initiative that provides students with an opportunity to represent a country in a Mock United Nations, debating issues and creating international law. Additionally Preliminary Course students have the opportunity to participate in the Law Society's Mock Trial Competition.

**Geography Update**

Students studying the preliminary Geography course are immersed in examining the interactions of the biophysical environment and developing background knowledge in relation to the Blue Mountains which will be used for the case study and upcoming fieldwork in week 6.

HSC Geography students travelled to Melbourne last week for 3 days as part of their study of Urban Places. The trip provides students with an opportunity to explore issues such as homelessness, ocean pollution and sustainability in a large city as well as exploring urban dynamics such as urban renewal and suburbanisation.

Economics Update

Our HSC Economics students are currently focusing on the effect of changes in the global economy on Australia through an examination of the balance of payments and our budding Preliminary economists are being introduced to key economic concepts like the production possibility curve and the circular flow of income.

Later in the year all of our Economics and Business Studies students will participate in the UNSW Economics and Business Studies Competition.

Mrs Lisa Burnett - Head Teacher Social Science

TAS

2018 HSC results in TAS

Congratulations to the Year 12 students who completed their HSC in Design and Technology, Software Design and Development, Engineering Studies and Food Technology in 2018. The class mean in each subject was well above state average.

60% of students in Food Technology gained a band 6 result with 5 students achieving a course mark of over 95%.

In Design and Technology over 70% of students gained a band 5 or 6 result.

25% of students in Engineering Studies gained a band 6 result with a further 50% gaining a band 5.

School Photos'

School photographs will be taken on Tuesday 5th March. Please ensure your child is wearing correct school uniform on this day. Photo envelopes will be sent home with students in a few weeks time. Envelopes for sibling photographs are also available. Payment instructions are on the envelope. Payments can be made online or correct cash can be placed in the envelope and given directly to the photographer on the day. Catch up photo day will be held on Tuesday March 12th for any student who is absent on March 5th.

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Vicki McCudden—Head Teacher TAS



CAPA

MUSIC ENSEMBLES

The ensembles program at MHS provides great opportunities for students to perform at a high standard and work with students across the whole school for a common aim. We will be participating in The Arts Unit Secondary Choral event in the Sydney Town Hall, the Hawkesbury Eisteddfod, Star Struck, our own POSH concert and ensemble performance nights, and school presentation assemblies. We will also audition to perform in the Sydney Opera House and have had success over the past few years.

Ensemble rehearsals have commenced. Students should just turn up for the first rehearsal and mark their name off on the roll, or sign up if they haven't already done so.

The following ensembles are offered in 2019:

Concert Band	Monday 7.30am in the Learning Centre
String Ensemble	Monday lunchtime in KM1
Flute Quartet	Monday lunchtime in KM1
Jam Ensemble	Wednesday lunchtime in KM1
Vocal Ensemble	Thursday lunchtime in KM1
Saxophone Ensemble	Thursday lunchtime in KM2
Jazz Ensemble	Friday lunchtime in KM1

UPCOMING EVENT: Music Ensembles Performance Night is Monday 25th March, 6pm in the Bensley Hall.

FEES FOR ENSEMBLES

Concert Band \$60 per semester

This covers tutoring costs and the purchase of music and equipment. The Director of the Concert Band in 2019 is Charissa Ferguson

All other Ensembles \$30 per semester

This covers the purchase of music and equipment

If students are in more than TWO ensembles, a **maximum fee of \$90 per semester** is to be paid

INSTRUMENT HIRE: The school has a number of instruments available.

See Music Staff (or phone 4969 3855) for details. **The Hiring Fee is \$100 per annum.**

Thank you for your assistance in paying fees. Invoices will be sent for those who have not already paid their Ensemble fees.

MUSIC LOCKERS are still available for hire through the front office. See Mrs Tenorio for availability of tall and medium music lockers BEFORE paying the hire fee.

MEET THE MUSIC CONCERTS

Elective Music students have the opportunity to attend Meet the Music concerts in the Sydney Opera House. There are three concerts and all concerts are supported by classroom support materials so the students gain the best advantage of attending the concerts. The 2019 dates are 21 February, 8 May and 21 August. The concerts cost \$48 each. Please see music staff for more information and permission notes.

REGIONAL ENSEMBLES

Merewether High School is the home of the two prestigious Department of Education ensembles Hunter Singers and Hunter Wind Ensemble. Rehearsals are held in the Learning Centre. The two ensembles will be combining for a tour of Central Australia in the April school holidays.

HUNTER SINGERS

The Regional Choir Hunter Singers is a prestigious ensemble which was founded by Kim Sutherland in 1989. The group rehearses on Tuesday afternoons, 4.30-6.30pm in the Merewether High School Learning Centre. Information is available on the Hunter Singers website: www.huntersingers.com. In July 2019, Hunter Singers will be participating in the Gondwana World Choral Festival, to be held in Sydney.

HUNTER WIND ENSEMBLE

The Regional Wind Ensemble is open by audition to students who play a wind or brass instrument. Information is available by sending an email to hunterwindensemble@gmail.com. Hunter Wind Ensemble (HWE) rehearses twice per term with an occasional extra rehearsal leading up to a performance.

STAR STRUCK

Merewether High School will have Dance, Drama and Vocal ensembles involved in Star Struck this year. Students should listen carefully to Period 1 announcements for information regarding auditions and rehearsals. Mrs Scollay will be supervising the Dance group, Miss Roxby will supervise the Drama group and Mrs Tenorio will supervise the Vocal Ensemble. In addition, application forms for Star Struck instrumental soloists and orchestral players are available on the Star Struck website. Expressions of interest are now due for Star Struck Choir inside the CAPA staffroom.

YEAR 8 VISUAL ARTS EXCURSION TO LUNA PARK

On Monday, 11 March, 180 Year 8 students will make their way down to Luna Park on an inspirational and fact finding excursion based on our unit of work called "Just for Fun". In class we are researching the historic and artistic importance of this iconic part of Australia and whilst in Sydney, students will be collecting ideas for their major artworks by taking photos and drawing from life. This has always proven to be a popular excursion and a great opportunity to create artwork directly inspired by a personal experience. Excursion permission notes and payment is due by Monday 4 March to the front office.

HSC VISUAL ARTS 2018

Visual Arts HSC results last year were outstanding. The hard work and dedication to their Bodies of Work paid off with Max Sucui Gleeson, Ella Duncan and Oscar Turmine Minchinton being selected for Art Express 2019. Max's work 'Delicacy' is on display at the Art Gallery of NSW from 6th of February until 28th of April. Ella and Oscar's works will be on show at The Armory from the 5th of March. Ella's work will then travel onto The New England Regional Art Museum later this year.



Ms Gilbertson and Miss Smith with Max, Oscar and Max's Mum at AGNSW for Max's opening last week.

DRAMA ENSEMBLE

Following the success of the Drama Ensemble last year, there will be a Senior and Junior Ensemble in 2019. Senior Drama is on Thursday lunchtime and Junior is on Friday lunchtime in KDS. Any students interested in participating are asked to sign up on the form outside the CAPA staffroom. New members are always welcome.

Kim Sutherland OAM

Head Teacher, Creative & Performing Arts



Our **ANNUAL SWIMMING CARNIVAL** was recently held at Lambton Pool and as usual it was a day of great participation and a wonderful advertisement for our school and the development of school spirit. House competition was fierce throughout the day with a significant increase in overall House participation by Baartz House seeing them get across the line, eventually winning the event by just 2 points with Jensen second. What was especially great to see was the strength of our junior swimmers with a number of records broken. Our representative relay team will again be dominated by

junior swimmers as we strive for an unprecedented seventh straight Regional title.

Age champions on the day were:

12yrs – Arfa Zulfiqar & Rebecca Hayes

13yrs – Alex Gallagher & Charlie Burns

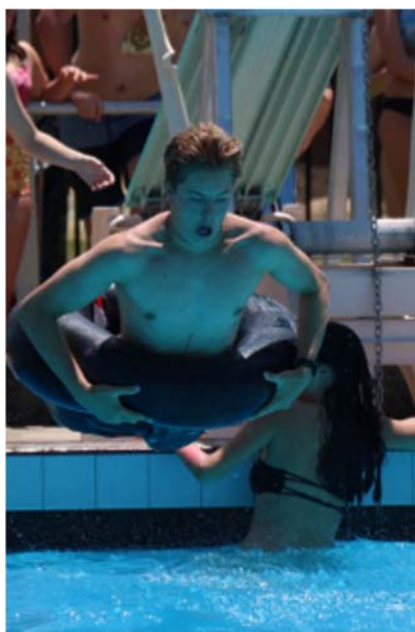
14yrs – Charles Walker & Kelsey Van Eldik

15yrs – Alex Garnett & Sophia McMahon

16yrs – Chris Kim & Eve Leacey

17+yrs – Dylan Day & Leah Dove.

As well as these great individual performances we had a huge number of swimming records broke, some of which had stood for over 30 years. Record breakers were Rebecca Hayes in the 12yrs 100m Freestyle, Sophia McMahon in the 15yrs 2000m freestyle, Kelsey Van Eldick in the 14yrs 50m Butterfly, Backstroke and Breaststroke and Charles Walker in the 14yrs 50m , 100m and 200m Freestyle and 50m Butterfly as well as the 100m Freestyle. All of these students will receive record certificates at Year assemblies in Week 4. A very strong team has been selected to attend the Zone Carnival at Lambton on 25th February, with the Regional Carnival at Lambton on the 4th March. Notes for these events need to be returned to the Sports Organiser as soon as possible.



**Term 1 SPORT**

Term 1 Sport has now been finalised. Years 7 & 8 complete a set program where their sports activity changes each week. This is designed to expose students to a variety of sports options as they will be required to select sports in Term 2, 3 & 4. All fees for this program, inclusive of activity and bus costs are covered by a Term 1 \$50 sports fee. This levy has been built into the school fee structure so it would be most appreciated if parents could pay this fee by the end of Week 4 if they intend to delay their payment of School fees until later in the year. Students in Years 9 & 10 have selected a sport for this term. Those students who have selected a bus sport are reminded that the payment of \$50 bus levy MUST be paid by the end of Week 5. As usual all payments for buses are to be made to the Cashier in the main office. Sport Bus payments should not be made online.

HUNTER REGION TEAM SELECTION

Each year we have a huge number of students gain selection in, and represent the Hunter in a variety of sports. In 2019 we encourage as many students as possible to test themselves and to see if they have what it takes to go away and represent the Hunter in their chosen sports against the best from other regions at the State Championships. Just a reminder that almost all Hunter teams are selected in the Open Age group, meaning that students up to and including Year 12 students are eligible. There is a new system in place this year for students wishing to attend a Hunter Trial.

*There is a new School Sport Website and all information regarding
Hunter trials has been up loaded. The web address is:*

<https://app.education.nsw.gov.au/sport/Hunter>

Students are required to access the site listed above and download the forms required for their sport. From here the forms must be completed and be signed off by the Sports Organiser and Principal which gives the student school permission to attend the trial. Be warned that any students who does not follow this procedure and just 'turns up' at Regional Trails will not be permitted to trial by the Trials Convener. This paperwork is essential to ensure that the student is fully covered in all circumstances while attending the trials.

Students gain entry to Regional teams in the three major sports of Swimming, Athletics and Cross Country through attendance at Zone and Regional carnivals. Students must attend these carnivals to gain selection, there is no facility for students who are not available on the date of the Carnival to submit times and be considered for selection.

INDOOR SOCCER COMPETITION

The very popular lunchtime Indoor Soccer competition kicks off again next week. Entries are now being taken. Team entry is \$5 per team with all proceeds going towards prizes for the winning teams.

HUNTER REGION SUCCESS

Congratulations to Mitch Robinson who in the last days of last year was awarded the prestigious Hunter Region Sportsman of the Year. Mitch was not available to receive the prize on this day due to his overseas playing schedule, however he was acknowledged in front of his peers at the School Assembly last Thursday. This effectively saw Mitch considered the best performed athlete amongst the 40 odd Hunter Schools in 2018. Well done Mitch and congratulations on this honour.

SPORTS TOUR 2019 ANNOUNCED

In 2019 we take the unprecedented step of conducting our Sports Tour program just twelve months apart. This was due to a number of factors including staff availability and hosting legislation in England therefore it was deemed necessary to change the two year cycle that normally this excursion runs to. A recent meeting was held that was well attended by a number of interested students and their parents. More information will follow however it is important that students that are interested ensure they pay their initial deposit by the cut-off date of the end of February. At this point decisions will be taken as to sports makeup and the number of students that we can offer this opportunity to. More information will follow including how our school community may be able to assist in fundraising for this flagship trip.

SPORTS TOUR 2018

In the last school holidays 55 students trekked off around the world as part of Sports Tour XIV. The trip was all that it promised to be with students experiencing International sports competition as well as life and culture in some diverse and famous world cities. The Tour kicked off on Boxing Day with an overnight flight to Hong Kong, where after a 5am arrival and a magnificent buffet breakfast the group got straight into the action with a day at Ocean Park. This set the scene for the next 25 days with a daily routine of early breakfast, followed by a day full of activity and then an early night becoming the norm. Sleep was



grabbed wherever possible, most notably on any bus trip the group went on. Hong Kong was an exciting stopover with the cultural differences and hustle and bustle of the big city opening plenty of our students' eyes to a different way of life. We saw all the sights and for many being able to haggle at the markets was one of the highlights. After a last day at Disneyland the group headed off on New Years Eve to London where we arrived at 6am at Heathrow airport. London was a bit of a ghost town when we arrived but we had arrived at 7am on New Years Day so that could have been expected. The next five days in London was full of visiting every famous place we could, Lords, Abbey Road, Big Ben, London Eye,

St Pauls and the list goes on and on. We all travelled to the Olympic Stadium on one evening to watch West Ham play Brighton and a number of us travelled to Crystal Palace to watch them win an FA Cup match against Grimsby Town. From here we were off to Wales for our first games, wins to our football but a loss to our netball as well as a thrilling rafting experience. At this point the party split with the girls heading off to Liverpool and the boys to Salisbury. This was our first hosting on the tour and all of our students had a great time as a member of a real English family, even if it was only for a few days. Boys Football suffered their only loss on the tour here whereas the B team were involved in a thrilling 7-6 loss. The group again came together in Liverpool where a weekend was spent visiting everything Beatles or travelling to Manchester to visit some of the iconic footballing stadiums and sights. Splitting again the group travelled south to Weydon for the Girls and Farnborough for the boys. Victories across the board for our teams and a second hosting were highlights. The last leg of our trip took us to Paris and again we were successful in a round of fixtures played on a very chilly Paris morning. All in all a fantastic trip and a huge congratulations to the efforts of everyone of the 55 students who represented themselves and their school in the highest possible manner. For the record it was one of our most successful on field tours ever, with Netball winning four out of six games, girls' soccer three out of five and boys soccer winning 4 out of 5, special mention to Josh Lynch who scored hat tricks in each of our final three games.



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Special Religious Education

In accordance with the Education Act 1990, Special Religious Education (SRE) lessons are offered at Merewether High School. SRE Teacher Luke Harrison from Australian Christian Churches, will teach the lessons. The Newcastle SRE board will deliver on behalf of:

Authorised SRE provider	Church Name
Presbyterian Church of Australia	Scots Kirk, Hamilton
Baptist Union of NSW	Baptist Tabernacle Newcastle
Australian Christian Churches	Generation City Church
Anglican Diocese of Newcastle	Newcastle Anglican Churches
Uniting Church of Australia (NSW Synod)	Glebe Road Uniting Church
Associated Christian Ministries	Live Free Church

Special Religious Education is offered as per the policy and procedures of the Department of Education.

Policy <https://education.nsw.gov.au/policy-library/policies/religious-education-policy>

Procedures <https://education.nsw.gov.au/policy-library/associated-documents/REimplementproced.pdf>

Lessons are offered each week to students in Year 7. All Year 7 students will receive a Special Religious Education participation letter that will need to be returned by all students whether they are opting to attend SRE lessons or opting out of attending. SRE is held during period 6 each Friday afternoon. Students who do not attend the lessons will follow the regular school timetable and are dismissed from school at the end of period 5. Those who have completed the required letter to the Principal to withdraw from SRE and are remaining at school during period 6 will be actively supervised by Teachers. Students are provided with this information at the beginning of the year. Records are kept of those students who opt out.

The local representatives of the above SRE Providers have agreed to cross-authorise the following SRE teacher at Merewether High School. The SRE teacher listed below is appropriately authorised by their respective SRE Provider according to the Department of Education guidelines, has SRE Accreditation Training, and has met relevant requirements under the Child Protection (Working with Children) Act 2012 and the Child Protection (Working with Children) Regulation 2013.

Authorised SRE Provider	SRE Teacher
Australian Christian Churches	Youth Pastor Luke Harrison
Authorised curriculum:	Think Faith SRE Curriculum
Curriculum web address:	http://oursre.org.au/content/oursre-curriculum/gjg8h4
The submission of this form to the school is confirmation that the above details are correct and that cross authorisation has been confirmed, by letter or email, with each of the authorising religious leaders.	
SRE Coordinator	Mr Alex Dey
SRE Coordinator Contact:	0408490247
SRE Coordinator Email:	alexdey@nsf.com.au
Board Name:	Newcastle SRE Board Incorporated



Education &
Communities

Compulsory School Attendance

Information for parents

Education for your child is important and regular attendance at school is essential for your child to achieve their educational best and increase their career and life options. NSW public schools work in partnership with parents to encourage and support regular attendance of children and young people. When your child attends school every day, learning becomes easier and your child will build and maintain friendships with other children.

What are my legal responsibilities?

Education in New South Wales is compulsory for all children between the ages of six years and below the minimum school leaving age. The *Education Act 1990* requires that parents ensure their children of compulsory school age are enrolled at, and regularly attend school, or, are registered with the Board of Studies, Teaching and Educational Standards for homeschooling.

Once enrolled, children are required to attend school each day it is open for students.

The importance of arriving on time

Arriving at school and class on time:

- Ensures that students do not miss out on important learning activities scheduled early in the day
- Helps students learn the importance of punctuality and routine
- Give students time to greet their friends before class
- Reduces classroom disruption

Lateness is recorded as a partial absence and must be explained by parents.

What if my child has to be away from school?

On occasion, your child may need to be absent from school. Justified reasons for student absences may include:

- being sick, or having an infectious disease
- having an unavoidable medical appointment
- being required to attend a recognised religious holiday
- exceptional or urgent family circumstance (e.g. attending a funeral)

Following an absence from school you must ensure that within 7 days you provide your child's school with a verbal or written explanation for the absence. However, if the school has not received an explanation from you within 2 days, the school may contact you to discuss the absence.

Principals may decline to accept an explanation that you have provided if they do not believe the absence is in the best interest of your child. In these circumstances your child's absence would be recorded as unjustified. When this happens the principal will discuss their decision with you and the reasons why.

Principals may request medical certificates or other documentation when frequent or long term absences are explained as being due to illness. Principals may also seek parental permission to speak with medical specialists to obtain information to collaboratively develop a health care plan to support your child. If the request is denied, the principal can record the absences as unjustified.

Travel

Families are encouraged to travel during school holidays. If travel during school term is necessary, discuss this with your child's school principal. An *Application for Extended Leave* may need to be completed. Absences relating to travel will be marked as leave on the roll and therefore contribute to your child's total absences for the year.

In some circumstances students may be eligible to enrol in distance education for travel periods over 50 school days. This should be discussed with your child's school principal.





**My child won't go to school.
What should I do?**

You should contact the principal as soon as possible to discuss the issue and ask for help. Strategies to help improve attendance may include a referral to the school's learning and support team or linking your child with appropriate support networks. The principal may seek further support from the Home School Liaison Program to develop an Attendance Improvement Plan.

What might happen if my child continues to have unacceptable absences?

It is important to understand that the Department of Education and Communities may be required to take further action where children of compulsory school age have recurring numbers of unexplained or unjustified absences from school.

Some of the following actions may be undertaken:

- Compulsory Schooling Conferences

You may be asked, along with your child, to attend a Compulsory Schooling Conference. The conference will help to identify the supports your child may need to have in place so they attend school regularly. The school, parents and agencies will work together to develop an agreed plan (known as Undertakings) to support your child's attendance at school.

- Application to the Children's Court – Compulsory Schooling Order

If your child's attendance at school remains unsatisfactory the Department

may apply to the Children's Court for a *Compulsory Schooling Order*. The Children's Court magistrate may order a Compulsory Schooling Conference to be convened.

- Prosecution in the Local Court

School and Department staff remain committed to working in partnership with you to address the issues which are preventing your child's full participation at school. In circumstances where a breach of compulsory schooling orders occurs further action may be taken against a parent in the Local Court. The result of court action can be the imposition of a community service order or a fine.

What age can my child leave school?

All New South Wales students must complete Year 10 or its equivalent. After Year 10, and up until they reach 17 years of age, there are a range of flexible options for students to complete their schooling.

Working in Partnership

The Department of Education and Communities recognises that working collaboratively with students and their families is the best way to support the regular attendance of students at school.

We look forward to working in partnership with you to support your child to fulfil their life opportunities.

If a student misses as little as 8 days in a school term, by the end of primary school they'll have missed over a year of school.

Further information regarding school attendance can be obtained from the following websites:

Policy, information and brochures:

Please visit the Department of Education's *Policy library*

The school leaving age:

Please visit the Department of Education's *Wellbeing and Learning* website

Do you need an interpreter?

Interpreting services are available on request, including for the hearing impaired. The Telephone Interpreter Service is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week on 131 450. You will not be charged for this service.

For further advice and questions contact your educational services team

T 131 536

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What Matters? 2019

Each year the Whitlam Institute asks Australian young people in grades 5-12 'What Matters?' with their *What Matters? Writing Competition*. Est. by former PM Gough Whitlam, *What Matters?* is part of the WI's civics education program, inspiring young people to think big & make change. In 2017, Australian journalist/TV presenter of *The Project* Lisa Wilkinson became competition patron.

The 2019 *What Matters?* Writing competition is now open for entries.

The *What Matters?* Writing competition closes on the 10 May 2019.



What Matters? is a 'catalyst for young thinkers and young writers to develop a perspective, a point of view, on where we're heading as a society'.

Inspired by Gough Whitlam's commitment to involving young people in the shaping of Australia's future, the competition is currently open to school students in years 5 to 12 from NSW, VIC, WA, the ACT and Tasmania. Responding to the simple question 'what matters?', entrants are free to express their views on any matter they care about.

The Whitlam Institute is pleased to welcome back our patron Lisa Wilkinson AM as competition patron in 2019.

The competition receives thousands of entries covering a wide range of subjects, putting paid to the idea that young Australians are disengaged and disaffected. Year after year we are reminded how passionate, observant and articulate young people are, and how deeply driven they are by a sense of social justice as they offer us a window into not just what concerns them, but what inspires them.

To enter What Matters? students submit an original written work between 400-600 words in prose or poetry, of either fiction or non-fiction online at whitlam.org/whatmatters. Guidelines and tips are available online.

Prizes are awarded in 4 categories: Years 5/6, 7/8, 9/10 and 11/12



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OPERATING HOURS

– School Term –

Monday 8.00am – 12.00pm

Thursday 1.00pm – 3.30pm

GIRLS UNIFORM : 7 - 9

	Sizes	Price	Size	Qty
Girls Sky S/S Blouse	All Sizes	\$38.50		
Tartan Formal Skirt	All Sizes	\$69.00		
Girls Formal Shorts	All Sizes	\$42.00		
Girls Fitted Pants	All Sizes	\$49.00		
Knitted Jumper	10 - 16	\$82.00		
	18 +	\$92.00		

GIRLS UNIFORM : 10 - 12

	Sizes	Price	Size	Qty
Girls White S/S Blouse	All Sizes	\$42.00		
Tartan Formal Skirt	All Sizes	\$69.00		
Girls Formal Shorts	All Sizes	\$42.00		
Girls Fitted Pants	All Sizes	\$49.00		
Knitted Jumper	10 - 16	\$82.00		
	18 +	\$92.00		

BOYS UNIFORM : 7 - 9

	Sizes	Price	Size	Qty
Boys Sky S/S Shirt	All Sizes	\$35.00		
Boys Formal Shorts	All Sizes	\$48.00		
Boys Formal Trousers	All Sizes	\$55.00		
Knitted Jumper	10 - 16	\$82.00		
	18 +	\$92.00		

BOYS UNIFORM : 10 - 12

	Sizes	Price	Size	Qty
Boys White S/S Shirt	All Sizes	\$35.00		
Boys Formal Shorts	All Sizes	\$48.00		
Boys Formal Trousers	All Sizes	\$55.00		
Knitted Jumper	10 - 16	\$82.00		
	18 +	\$92.00		

SPORTS UNIFORM

	Sizes	Price	Size	Qty
Sports Polo	All Sizes	\$42.00		
Sport Shorts	All Sizes	\$38.00		
Tracksuit Jacket	All Sizes	\$79.00		
Tracksuit Pants	All Sizes	\$50.00		

BAGS

	Sizes	Price	Size	Qty
Backpack	Large	\$84.00		
Trolley Bag	One Size	\$109.00		

ACCESSORIES

	Sizes	Price	Size	Qty
Socks - striped crew (1pack)	All Sizes	\$10.00		
Socks - white crew (1pack)	All Sizes	\$6.95		
Socks - black crew (1pack)	All Sizes	\$6.95		
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		
Bucket Hat	One Size	\$21.00		
Sports Cap	One Size	\$18.00		

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 velcro 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.

Payments can be made with Cash, Credit Card or Debit Credit Cards only.

Please contact your bank regarding individual access and availability of these facilities.



	February
Tues 19/2	Year 7 PLG (Parent Learning Group)- 9:00am Year 7 Welcome BBQ - 5:30pm School Dance - 6:30pm
Wed 20/2	Zone Swimming
Tues 26/2	Year 8 PLG - 9:00am
Wed 27/2	Year 7 Camp day 1/3
Thurs 28/2	Year 7 Camp day 2/3
	March
Fri 1/3	Year 7 Camp day 3/3
Mon 4/3	Year 12 Elevate Hunter Region Swimming
Tues 5/3	Year 9 PLG - 9:00am School Photos
Thurs 7/3	Athletics Carnival
Mon 11/3	Year 7 Vaccinations
Tues 12/3	Year 10 PLG - 9:00am School Photos Catch-up
Thurs 14/3	Selective HS Placement Test Pi Day
Mon 18/3	Year 12 Blackout Period commences
Tues 19/3	Year 11 PLG - 9:00am
Thurs 21/3	SRC Harmony Day
	April
Mon 1/4	Year 12 assessment period commences
Tues 2/4	Year 7 PLG - 9:00am
Thurs 4/4	Year 8 Brainstorm productions - 1:30pm
Fri 12/4	Year 12 Assessment period concludes
	TERM 2
Mon 29/4	School development Day
Tues 30/4	All students return Year 12 meeting
	May
Wed 1/5	Cross Country
Thurs 2/5	ANZAC Ceremony
Mon 6/5	Reach (ICAS) Digital Technologies Y7
Tues 7/5	Reach (ICAS) Digital Technologies



Wed 8/5	Elevate Parent Session - 6-7pm Years 10-12 Reach Digital Technologies
Thurs 9/5	Elevate Yr10 - 9am Elevate Y11 - 11am Reach Digital Technologies
Fri 10/5	Reach Digital Technologies
Tues 14/5	Y7 PLG - 9am Y7 & Y9 NAPLAN Y10 Vaccinations Y12 Reports Issued
Wed 15/5	Y7 & Y9 NAPLAN
Thurs 16/5	Careers EXPO - Y10 Y7 & Y9 NAPLAN
Fri 17/5	Y7 & Y9 NAPLAN catch-up Y11 Blackout period commences
Mon 20/5	Year Meetings this week Y7 Brainstorm Production - 9am
Tues 21/5	Y8 PLG - 9am Y12 Parent Teacher Interviews
Wed 22/5	Zone Cross Country
Fri 24/5	Y 11 Assessment period Sydney Symphony Orchestra Newcastle
Mon 27/5	Yrs 7– 9 Blackout period commences Reach Science Yrs 7 - 10
Tues 28/5	Y9 PLG - 9am Reach Science Yrs 7 - 10
Wed 29/5	Reach Science Yrs 7 - 10
Thurs 30/5	Reach Science Yrs 7 - 10
Fri 31/5	Reach Science Yrs 7 - 10
	June
Mon 3/6	Yrs 7 - 9 Assessment period
Tues 4/6	Y10 PLG - 9am
Wed 5/6	National History Competition
Fri 7/6	Y12 Academic Review concludes
Mon 10/6	Queen's Birthday Weekend
Tues 11/6	Y11 PLG - 9am Starstruck Week
Mon 17/6	Y10 Blackout period commences Waste Awareness Week Reach Spelling - Y7 Reach Writing - Y7 & Y8

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Tues 18/6	Y12 PLG - 9am Reach Spelling - Y7 Reach Writing - Y7 & Y8
Wed 19/6	Reach Spelling - Y7 Reach Writing - Y7 & Y8
Thurs 20/6	Reach Spelling - Y7 Reach Writing - Y7 & Y8
Fri 21/6	Green Day Reach Spelling - Y7 Reach Writing - Y7 & Y8
Mon 24/6	Y10 Assessment period commences
Tues 25/6	Y7 PLG - 9am
Thurs 24/6	Y11 Parent Teacher Interviews
Fri 28/6	NAIDOC Assembly
	July
Mon 1/7	ROSA Assemblies Y7,9,11 - 11am Y8,10,12 - 1:30pm
Tues 2/7	Y11 Jindabyne day 1/4
Wed 3/7	Y11 Jindabyne day 2/4
Thurs 4/7	Y12 UoN - all day Y11 Jindabyne day 3/4
Fri 5/7	Y11 Jindabyne day 4/4
	TERM 3
Mon 22/7	School Development day - no students
Tues 23/7	All students return Y12 Meeting
Thurs 25/7	Y7 2020 Tour and Information Session - 4pm
Fri 26/7	CHS Cross Country
Mon 29/7	Reach English - Y7-Y10
Tues 30/7	Y7 & Y9 parent Teacher Interview Reach English - Y7-Y10
Wed 31/7	Opportunity Class Placement Test Regional Athletics Reach English - Y7-Y10
	August
Thurs 1/8	POSH Concert Reach English - Y7-Y10
Fri 2/8	Reach English - Y7-Y10



Mon 5/8	Y10 Reports issued Y12 Blackout period commences Reach Maths Y7 - Y10
Tues 6/8	Y7 PLG - 9am Reach Maths Y7 - Y10
Wed 7/8	Reach Maths Y7 - Y10
Thurs 8/8	Y8 & Y10 Parent Teacher interviews Reach Maths Y7 - Y10
Fri 9/8	Reach Maths Y7 - Y10
Mon 12/8	Y10 (2020) Information Evening - 4:30pm Y11 (2020) Information Evening - 6pm
Tues 13/8	Y8 (2020) Information Evening - 4:30pm Y9 (2020) Information Evening - 6pm
Mon 19/8	Y12 Trail HSC Exams Commence
Tues 20/8	Y12 Trail HSC Exams
Wed 21/8	Y12 Trail HSC Exams
Thurs 22/8	Y12 Trail HSC Exams
Fri 23/8	Y12 Trail HSC Exams
Mon 26/8	Y12 Trail HSC Exams
Tues 27/8	Y12 Trail HSC Exams
Wed 28/8	Y12 Trail HSC Exams
Thurs 29/8	Y12 Trail HSC Exams
Fri 30/8	Y12 Trail HSC Exams conclude
September	
Tues 3/9	Elevate Y12 - 8:50am ICAS Digital Technologies School Dance
Wed 4/9	CHS Athletics
Thurs 5/9	ICAS Science - Y7 - Y10 CHS Athletics
Mon 9/9	Y11 Final Assessment period commences
Tues 10/9	Y12 PLG - 9am ICAS Writing - Y7 - Y10
Thurs 12/9	ICAS Spelling Bee Y7
Tues 17/9	Y7 PLG - 9am ICAS English - Y7 - Y10
Thurs 19/9	ICAS Maths Y7 - Y10
Fri 20/9	Y11 Final Assessment period concludes

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Mon 23/9	Y7 Vaccinations
Tues 24/9	P&C Meeting - 7:30pm
Wed 25/9	Y12 Reports issued Sports Presentation Assembly - 9am Year 12 Formal
Fri 27/9	Y12 Presentation Assembly - 9:30am
	TERM 4
	October
Mon 14/10	Y12 (2020) Information Session - 4pm Y11 Elevate - 10am
Tues 15/10	Y7 (2021) Information Session - 4pm
Thurs 17/10	Y7 GATS Challenge Day - 11am - 2:30pm HSC commences
Fri 25/10	Bandfest
Mon 28/10	Y11 Reports issued
Tues 29/10	Y7 PLG issued
Wed 30/10	Y9 Urban Challenge day 1/3
Thurs 31/10	Y9 Urban Challenge day 2/3
	November
Fri 1/11	Y9 Urban Challenge day 3/3
Mon 4/11	Y7 - Y10 Blackout period commences
Tues 5/11	Y8 PLG - 9am
Mon 11/11	Y7 - Y10 Assessment period
Tues 12/11	Y9 PLG - 9am Last Day HSC
Tues 19/11	Y10 PLG - 9am
Fri 22/11	Prefects' Investiture - 11am
Mon 25/11	IBL Panel Y8 & Y9
Tues 26/11	Y11 (Y12 2020) PLG - 9am IBL Panel Y8 & Y9
Thurs 28/11	Y11 Assembly - 11am
	December
Mon 2/12	Learning Reflection Y7
Mon 9/12	Learning Reflection Y8

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Tues 10/12	Y7 (2020) Orientation Day
Fri 13/12	Y10 Assembly - 9am Y9 Assembly - 11am
Mon 16/12	Y8 Assembly - 9am Y7 Assembly - 11am
Tues 17/12	HSC Results Presentation Assembly - 10:30am
Wed 18/12	Y12 BBQ - 11am Last Day of School

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