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Principal's Report

I have great pleasure in announcing that Mr Victor Newby has been appointed as the new Principal of Concord High School from the beginning of 2019. The staff of Concord High School are looking forward to working with Mr Newby in 2019. In the upcoming weeks Mr Newby will have the opportunity to meet with the staff of Concord High School at various events and engage in planning for 2019.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank the staff, students and parents for supporting me over the last 19 months whilst I have been relieving in the Principal position. I have thoroughly enjoyed this wonderful leadership experience, leading a school that I love. I will be returning to my substantive position as Deputy Principal of Concord High School and I am really looking forward to working with Victor Newby in 2019.

I would also like to thank both Fiona Payne and Catherine Picone for their leadership of the school relieving in the Deputy Principal and Head Teacher Secondary positions over the last 19 months. They have both done an outstanding job and I am thankful for their support and leadership during this time.

Below is a message from our new Principal.



Principal's Report continued



Dear Concord High Community,

It gives me great pleasure to introduce myself as the newly appointed Principal at Concord High School. I will be commencing at the school from day one in 2019.

I come to Concord High with a broad range of management and leadership experience developed in private enterprise, business and in education over a 35 year career. My background is in Science and Mathematics and most recently I have worked as Deputy Principal at both Moorebank High School and Fairvale High School in South-Western Sydney.

I am looking forward to meeting with many of you over the coming months as we work together to improve the educational outcomes of all students at Concord High School.

Eddie Woo visit

We were very lucky to have a visit from the wonderful Eddie Woo this week to talk about all things Maths. The students were very engaged in his interactive discussion and we are very thankful to Ms Leung for organising the visit.



**Acting Principal
Mrs Jody Engisch**



Deputy Principal's Report

by Craig Anderson

Save the dates

Wednesday 12 December school presentation evening.

Thursday 13 December HSC results released.

Friday 14 December morning tea for all HSC students. On this day ATARs are released. This is an opportunity to discuss ATARs and any advice required for changing preferences. Please strongly encourage your HSC student to attend.

Year 12 reducing courses to 10 units

Students will be able to apply starting Monday to reduce their study to 10 units. Please have strong discussions with your student if they raise this as a possibility. As a school the general advice is that studying 12 units is preferable to have a safety net. You will need to sign the application and please ensure you have a good discussion before signing and if unsure call the school to speak to Mr Chappelow, Ms Kalachian, Mrs Milligan or Mr Anderson for advice.

Yearly reports

All yearly examinations have now concluded.

Year 11 reports should now have been received in the post.

Year 7 reports are available in the parent portal. We believe that we have replied to all requests for assistance, if this is not the case please email the school email account and have the title Year 7 report with your message.

Christmas at Concord High School

A very special thanks to our helpers who unpacked and decorated the Christmas tree in the front office.



Deputy Principal's Report continued

by Craig Anderson

Jacob Leon

Jacob is a Year 8 student who was recently featured in *The Weekly Times*. Jacob is a member of the Ryde Athletics Club and is a rising middle distance running star. Below is a screen shot of the larger article. Congratulations Leon.



Our Concord High School multi sport champ

Concord High School would like to recognise another of its rising stars. Xavi Chiang of Year 8 represented CHS in the 2018 Schoolboys & Schoolgirls Junior Tennis Tournament (Year 8) on 27 November 2018.

Also, Xavi took part in the New South Wales State Taekwondo Championship on 18 November 2018 and won the gold medal. He's the NSW Champion in his sparring category.

Congratulations Xavi.



Deputy Principal's Report

by Craig Anderson

Youth off the streets

This year the school has supported Youth Off the Streets by collecting donations of food as well as contributions to buy gift vouchers for Christmas. Thank you so much for your support.

If you would like to see more about this very worthy organisation or would like to donate please go to <https://youthoffthestreets.com.au/>



Deputy Principal's Report

by Fiona Payne

DOES YOUR STUDENT STUDY MUSIC, ART, DRAMA, PHOTOGRAPHY OR VISUAL DESIGN?

Have your say in the Concord High Creative and Performing Arts Faculty Review.

The survey will take less than 5 minutes to complete and can be found at:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/BHYCF7Z>

The faculty review process is used to determine how well our faculties are serving our students. It is used to provide a valid and reliable foundation for whole school planning, identifying areas for future focus within faculties as well as to celebrate the successes of those faculties. Each year a different faculty is reviewed and parents are encouraged to participate by providing feedback around the experiences of their students.

The information provided is confidential and anonymous. The feedback will assist in examining the quality of teaching and learning and will make recommendations on the quality of course delivery and student engagement in learning.



Languages News

CHINA DAY CONCERT 2018

Annual Confucius Classroom celebration and presentation of Certificates of Appreciation to the Confucius Classroom Volunteer Teachers.

The Confucius Institute at the NSW Department of Education is a collaboration between the NSW Department of Education and the Office of Chinese Language Council International (Hanban) in China. Each year, as part of the Volunteer Chinese Teacher program, Hanban provides schools all over the world with volunteer teachers to support Chinese language teaching and the Confucius Classroom program. Volunteers are graduates of the current year with a bachelor's degree or above.



This year we have been very fortunate to have Ms Sophia Tao in the role of Confucius Classroom Volunteer Teacher. Ms Tao was born in Xian and completed a Bachelor's Degree in Journalism and a Master's Degree in Education at Beijing Normal University.

On Friday, November 16, I accompanied Ms Yuan, Ms Tao and 36 students from years 7-12 to the annual China



Day Concert held at the Hurstville Marana Hall. The concert celebrates the Confucius Classroom program and acknowledges the contributions of the Volunteer teachers. An important event, the concert was attended by Dr Shi, Manager of the Confucius Institute; Wenqi Nui, Counsellor and Jianbo Liu, Consul from the Consulate-General of the Peoples Republic of China, and Wenjing Mao, Deputy Director, Confucius Institute at NSW Department of Education.



Each of the thirteen Confucius Classroom schools chose an item to perform and this year we were extremely proud of our



Languages News continued



Ribbon Dancers, Paula De La Vara Arnaiz, Belle Gallen, Hannah Hampton, Khanishika Suresh Kumar and Isabella Carbone. Ribbon dancing – Jing Hong Wu - is a traditional art form that originates in ancient China. The girls executed movements that have been performed for over 1000 years, and then blended the ancient with the new by segueing into modern dance. The result of weeks of rehearsals under the instruction of Ms Tao, the girls are to be congratulated on their beautiful and polished performance. The dancers used red ribbons, symbolic of good luck and happiness, and wore traditional silk dresses; ordered especially for the performance by Ms Tao from China.

Max Trapnell, singing an ancient Chinese folk song, completed the performance. Wearing traditional Mandarin long robes, also ordered from China by Ms Tao, Max performed, 'Man Jiang Hong' (A River of Blossoms), based on a set of lyrical poems that date back to the Song dynasty. His performance was mesmerising, and Dr Shi made a point of personally congratulating Max and that he had recognised him from last year's standout Fan Dance.

Along with Caterina Herder-Beke from Bonnyrigg High School, I had the privilege of delivering a speech to acknowledge the contributions of the Volunteer Teachers. I accepted this opportunity, so I could publically express my appreciation of the work Sophia Tao has done for Concord High School. Her dedication to bringing rich and rewarding experiences to the students of our school has left a lasting impact. On a personal note, it has been a pleasure to work alongside someone so full of enthusiasm and openness. Sophia Tao

has been a teacher, mentor and friend to many, and ask all students to farewell her before her last day at Concord High School on the 19th December. 真诚的感谢和好运

On our return to school, all the performers, teachers and students attending the event shared lunch together from Taste of Shanghai, Burwood. It was a wonderful day and I thank Ms Yuan for her tireless efforts in organising this event and her leadership of the

Confucius Classroom.

Ms Merchant



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2018 – 2019 PREFECT BODY REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE



On Sunday 11th November 2018, the Prefects were invited to attend the Remembrance Day Service at Queen Elizabeth Park to mark the 100th year of the Armistice. We were honoured and privileged to attend this service in memory of the servicemen and women that served in the Great War and thereafter.



Wreath laid by Concord High School Prefects

We were grateful to hear from Mayor Angelo Tsirekas and Member for Reid, Mr Craig Laundy, about the historical reflection of Australia's involvement in the war. It reminded us of the significance of this day and the immense sacrifices that were made by Australians during the time of War; a remembrance uniquely filled with our appreciation and solemnity. The service also reflected upon Concord Hospital's continued efforts to support and assist the Army veterans residing in the community.

The spirit of Australia was echoed in the morning rays of Queen Elizabeth Park, and it certainly continued in our hearts until the going-down of the sun. It is fitting to say that we feel a deep reverence for the soldiers of Canada Bay, for their close association to our school and community, and for the remarkable sacrifice they made. We remember all those that have made the ultimate sacrifice to protect our country.

Lest we forget.



*Concord High School Prefects –
Jordan Mastrogiannis, Koray Ozbay,
Maximus Trapnell, Sena Ozguven, Emily-
Rose McLauchlan and
Francesca Bull*

Written by Koray Ozbay and Emily-Rose McLauchlan

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SRC and Prefect Body excursion to the 2018 Halogen Conference

On Friday 2nd November, the 2018-19 Prefects and SRC members attended the 2018 Halogen Leadership Conference. This conference was held at the International Convention Centre (ICC) in Darling Harbour and aims to gather young leaders from all around Sydney to participate in The National Young Leaders Day. This event encourages students to interact and engage with each other whilst listening to a variety of guest speakers about their experience as leaders in society. It is a day in which students can connect with one another in a positive environment through fun activities and it is also a day which motivates and inspires young leaders to recognise their dreams and passions and follow through with them.

One of the guest speakers at the 2018 Halogen Leadership Conference was a representative from the Cotton On Foundation who spoke about the company's initiatives in Uganda in building a school for young people in the country. This inspirational speech was followed by Holly Ferling, Australian Women's cricketer, who spoke of her experience with setbacks and injuries and how she managed to overcome them. This speech allowed us to recognise the importance of perseverance in achieving one's goals and dreams, particularly in the position of leadership. We were further privileged to hear from Cate Campbell, Australian Olympic Medallist, who also spoke about failure and setbacks, and how she learnt to face these in her career as an elite swimmer. It was impactful to hear from someone who had achieved so much success at a high level of sport and her persistence to not give up despite facing failure and a lot of public and personal pressure to succeed.



Year 12 Prefects with national swimmer, Cate Campbell

Our afternoon ended with the last guest speaker, Dr Jordan Nguyen, a Vietnamese-



School Vice-Captain, Emily-Rose McLauchlan

Australian biomedical engineer and inventor who shared his technological achievements and accomplishments and what these initiatives will mean for the future of technology. This was inspiring for us as it added to our understanding of the meaning of 'leadership'. We learnt that leading is about pushing through boundaries and making changes to developing areas of the community that best supports other people.



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The Halogen Leadership Conference is about displaying innovative ways to be successful and the impact that leaders have on society. The already successful Australians that spoke at the conference taught us about dreaming big and using our abilities to influence other people and groups. Through this experience, the SRC and Prefect Body became more equipped with ideas to help us inspire, motivate and influence others. We learnt that by shining bright and being inclusive, we contribute to a more just and compassionate world. The event taught us that no dream is too big, no ability is too small, and we can all contribute in working our way towards a positive environment. The Halogen Leadership Conference was a great experience for the SRC and Prefects and the students would like to thank the teachers who organised and supervised us on the day.

Written by Amy Falson (Year 12 Prefect) and Jordan Bartlett (Year 8 SRC)



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SRC and Prefects



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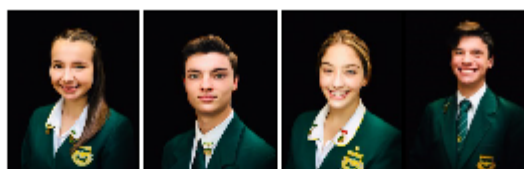
2018 – 2019 CONCORD HIGH SCHOOL PREFECT BODY

The 2018-2019 Prefects are honoured to be given the opportunity to represent the student leadership team at Concord High School. As student representatives, we are very passionate about leadership and the initiatives that we have in store for our peers at Concord High School. We strongly believe that school should be a place where everyone feels comfortable to be themselves with a strong sense of belonging in the community. We aim to achieve this together as a team through various programs and initiatives that we develop for our peers.

The Prefect body is composed of the following fourteen enthusiastic student leaders: Sena Ozguven (Captain), Maximus Trapnell (Captain), Emily-Rose McLauchlan (Vice-Captain), Koray Ozbay (Vice-Captain), Abby French, Amy Falson, Christian Angelopoulos, Ethan Davies, Francesca Bull, Jake Contemplacion, Jamie Choi, Jordan Mastrogriannis, Kyla Gray and Zachary Falanga.

Although the Prefect body has only been in this position since the start of Term 4, we have already had many opportunities to represent students and teachers at Concord High School. Six members of the Prefect body were privileged to attend the Remembrance Day Service on Sunday 11th November 2018 at Queen Elizabeth Park. It was an honour to attend this commemoration service to reflect upon the service of Australians during World War I. The Prefects have also been part of the Farmer's Drought Relief, which was organised by the SRC to raise awareness and money for farmers in NSW that are affected by the drought. We also attended the 2018 Halogen Leadership Conference at the International Convention Centre (ICC) to expand our leadership capacity whilst engaging in various networking events with student leaders from other schools within the local area. These are some of the many activities that we have been involved in and we are excited to engage in many more throughout the year. As the 2018 – 2019 Prefect body, the fourteen of us are extremely excited and proud to be able to guide, help and support fellow students at Concord High School.

Written by Sena Ozguven and Maximus Trapnell



Sena Ozguven

*Maximus
Trapnell*

*Emily-Rose
McLauchlan*

Koray Ozbay



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Amy Falson

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Kyla Gray

*Jordan
Mastrogriannis*



Community News

Bus Timetable Changes



CONCORD HIGH SCHOOL BUS ROUTES

MORNING SCHOOL SPECIAL BUSES TO CONCORD HIGH

Route 760s	7.50am from Newington Shops Via Sydney Olympic Park Station, Wellbank St & Concord Rd
Route 761s	7.53am from Olympic Park Wharf Via Hill Rd to Newington Shops, then via Wellbank St & Concord Rd
Route 770s	7.41am from Wentworth Point (Archery Centre, Bennelong Rd) Via Bennelong Rd, Hill Rd, Footbridge Bvd, Gauthorpe St, Marquet St, Mary St, Rider Bvd, Homebush Bay Dr, Concord Rd, Wellbank St, Majors Bay Rd, Crane St & Burwood Rd
Route 659s	8.13am from Drummoyne via Lyons Rd, Hampden Rd, The Parade, Byrne Ave, Bibby St, Blackwattle Point Rd, Great North Rd, Hampden Rd, Lyons Rd, Crane St, Burwood Rd, Stanley St
Route 658	8.15am from Johnson St & Parramatta Rd Johnston St Annandale, Ashfield Park, Parramatta & Great Nth Rd, Burwood Depot, Stanley St
Route 655s	8.25am from Haberfield via Dalhousie St, Ramsay Rd, Great North Rd, Lyons Rd West, Crane St, Burwood Rd, Stanley St

Please note:

- Numerous public buses operate in the morning between Burwood train station and the bus stop near the school in Burwood Road
- Information regarding the School Student Transport Scheme may be found at www.transportnsw.info/school-students
- Students who reside within 2km of the school are **not** eligible for free travel under the School Student Transport Scheme
- Students residing within 2km of the school may purchase a subsidised term pass
- Most temporary visa holders are ineligible for free or subsidised travel
- www.131500.com.au is a website from which you can plan trips and access application forms

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CONCORD HIGH SCHOOL BUS ROUTES

AFTERNOON SCHOOL SPECIAL BUSES FROM CONCORD HIGH

Route 461	3.10pm to The Domain Parramatta & Great North Rd Ashfield, Ashfield Park, Parramatta near Sloane St Haberfield, Annandale (Johnston St), Railway Square, Park St, City, The Domain
Route 656s	3.05pm to Five Dock via Gipps St, Queens Rd, Harris Rd, Garfield St, Great North Rd
Route 657s	3.05pm to Blackwall Point Rd via Stanley St, Burwood Rd, Crane St, Lyons Rd West, Great North Rd. First stop Wareemba shops
Route 660s	3.05pm to Westfield Burwood via Burwood Rd
Route 662s	3.05pm to Mortlake via Stanley St, Burwood Rd, Crane St, Majors Bay Rd, Brewer St, Frederick St, Cabarita Rd then 180° turn at Phillip St, Cabarita Rd, Frederick St, Brays Rd (route 464)
Route 663s	3.05pm to Drummoyne via Burwood Rd, Crane St, Lyons Rd West, Lyons Rd to Drummoyne. First stop Lyons & Great North Rd, Five Dock.
Route 761s	3.15pm to Olympic Park Wharf via Pomeroy St & Underwood Rd, Sydney Olympic Park Station, Newington
Route 464	3.14pm to Burwood Station via Burwood Rd, then Liverpool Rd to Broadway, Enfield
Route 760s	3.05pm to Newington Shops via Pomeroy St & Underwood Rd, Sydney Olympic Park Station, Newington
Route 770s	3.05pm to Wentworth Point First stop Footbridge Bvd, then all stops to Archery Centre, Wentworth Point via Hill Rd & Bennelong Rd
Route 526 extension	3:20pm to Sydney Olympic Park Wharf Hill Road Via Concord High School (Stanley Street), Westfield Burwood (Burwood Road), Strathfield Station (Everton Road), Olympic Park Station (Park Street), Newington (Newington Drive), Sydney Olympic Park Wharf (Hill Road)

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GIVING BLOOD FEELS GOOD

Every donation can save three lives.

Mobile Blood Service visiting: **Concord Hospital**

Hospital Road, outside Building 20A – Clinical Sciences Building

Monday 10 Dec

9.00am – 2.30pm

Drink up! Have 3 or 4 glasses of water or juice in the hours before you donate

Eat! Have a good sized breakfast or lunch

Please bring photo I.D. with you

To make an appointment call **13 14 95**
or visit **donateblood.com.au**

 **Australian Red Cross**
BLOOD SERVICE



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The BreastScreen mobile van is coming

Concord Hospital, off Hospital Road
3-14 December 2018
Monday – Friday, 8.45am–4pm

No GP referral needed

FREE breast x-rays

Parking
Hospital Road Carpark:
Less than 30 minutes **free**
Less than 2 hours **\$6**

Public transport
Buses run via Concord Hospital from the City, Burwood, Streatfield and Ryde (see map for bus stops). To get the latest schedule or plan your trip, consult www.transport.nsw.info or call the Transport Info Line 131 500

Book online now
1 Log onto: book.breastscreen.nsw.gov.au
2 Enter appointment code
(your code is printed in your letter)

Call to book
13 20 50

The BreastScreen mobile van is coming

Rhodes Waterside Shopping Centre
Rider Boulevard
5-30 November 2018
Monday – Friday, 8.45am–4pm

No GP referral needed

FREE breast x-rays

Book online now
1 Log onto: book.breastscreen.nsw.gov.au
2 Enter appointment code
(your code is printed in your letter)

Telephone Interpreter service
13 20 50





Congratulations to the students listed below, who were awarded a Merit this week.

Student

Jordan CRAUS
 Angus GRAY
 Connor HENNESSY
 Taeyoung YOON
 Ozan ZINCIRCI
 Brayden BOWHILL-HAYES
 Ryan ARMSTRONG
 Ryan FRENCH
 Kye BARNETT
 Jasmine SMITH
 Eliza TAM
 Eliza TAM
 Eliza TAM

Award

Faculty Award: Faculty Award
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Bronze Merit: Bronze Merit
Silver Merit: Silver Merit
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Upcoming Dates

VARIATIONS TO ROUTINE

TERM 4 WEEK 8 December 3, 2018 – December 7, 2018 WEEK B

Monday 3 December <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 10 Wood Tech task Year 9 History Movement of People Essay Year 12 Business Studies Task No. 1 VoR- World of Maths Years 7 and 8 VoR- Formal assembly Years 7 and 8 VoR- Formal assembly Years 9,10 and 11 	Tuesday 4 December <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 6 Orientation day P&C meeting 	Wednesday 5 December <ul style="list-style-type: none"> VoR- Year 7 water safety
Thursday 6 December <ul style="list-style-type: none"> VoR- In League Harmony ambassador day VoR- Year 7 water safety 	Friday 7 December <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assembly time- Junior assembly. Senior year meetings VoR- Year 7 water safety Year 8 History task Year 9 Textiles task Year 9 Wood task Year 12 Biology exam Year 12 Economics Assessment Task 	

A LOOK AHEAD 2018 Term 4 Week 9

A TERM 4 WEEK 9	December 10 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 9 PDHPE Year 12 English EAL/D Year 12 Drama 	December 11 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 8 Geography Year 10 Textiles Year 8 R, V, W, Y PDHPE 	December 12 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 7 Music Year 10 Music Year 8 B, G, O, P PDHPE 	December 13 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 7 Music Year 9 Drama Year 10 Music 	December 14 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 7 Music Year 10 Visual Design Year 10 Music
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