



Concord High School Keeping In Touch

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Term 4 Week 8

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Principal's Report

Congratulations to Ms Peoples and Ms Payne who represented Concord High School at the first ever Department of Education Teacher Meet focused on communicating how students are known, valued and cared for. The presentation was focused on the Careers and transition class initiative which was initiated and implemented by Ms Peoples in 2017. Ms Payne is one of the CATs class teachers. Ms Peoples and Ms Payne are pictured below with Mr Murat Dizdar, Deputy Secretary, School Operations & Performance, Department of Education.



Year 10 STEM program

Students will be engaging in two days of intensive STEM activities from Monday 10th December until Tuesday 11th December. From Wednesday 12th until Friday 14th December the students will be engaging in a taste of the courses that they are timetabled in for their 2019 Preliminary courses.



Principal's Report continued

NRL In League In Harmony Gala Day

The NRL In League in Harmony program is part of a community effort to lead and inspire young people to be the best they can be to live positive, respectful and healthy lives. Students from Concord High School have recently engaged in this 6 week program run by NRL players which concluded with a Gala Day attended by a variety of schools.



Principal's Report continued

Year 10 Music, Art, Drama and Design Evening

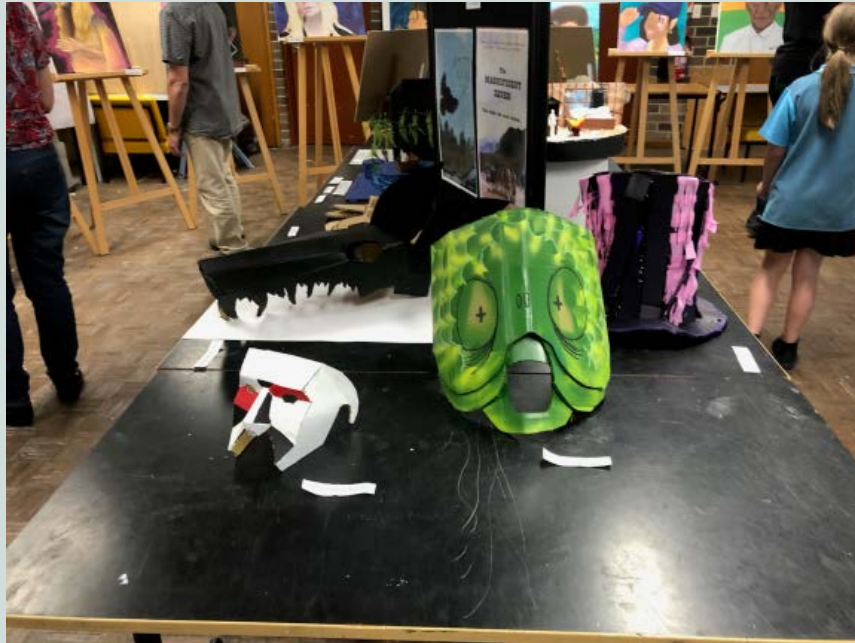
I am so proud of the Year 10 Music, Art, Drama and Design students who put together a wonderful show case of art work and performances during MADD evening on Thursday 6th December. Special thanks to Ms Cesta, Mr Little, Ms Lombardo, Ms Podger, Mr White, Mr Shaw, Ms Hantes and Ms Huang for their support of the students and organisation of the event. Below are a few photos taken of the MADD night.



Principal's Report continued



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Important Dates

The final day for students to attend school this year is Wednesday 19th December. The return dates for 2019 are as follows:

Wednesday 30th January, 2019: Year 7, 11 and 12

Thursday 31st January, 2019: Year 8, 9 and 10

Mrs Jody Engisch
Relieving Principal



Deputy Principal's Report

by Craig Anderson and Vanessa Cesta

Week 9 Reminders

Presentation Evening Wednesday 12 December

Year 10 Stem Monday 10 December & Tuesday 11 December

Year 10 Taste Of Preliminary Courses Wednesday 12 December Until Friday 14 December

Hsc Results Released Thursday 13 December

Year 12 Morning Tea (Atar Results Released) Friday 14 December

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.

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.

NRL In League Harmony Gala Day and Youth Advocacy Program

Ms Valele and Ms Nolan two of our School Learning Support Officers initiated and coordinated Concord High Schools participation in the NRL IN League Harmony Program. This six week program saw a group of our students work with NRL players and staff to focus on leadership and teamwork. To celebrate the end of the program students attended a Gala day a Club Marconi on Tuesday. A number of students were also selected to become Youth Advocates and attended a presentation at NRL headquarters at Moore Park on Thursday. Thank you to Ms Valele and Ms Nolan and congratulations to our men and women who participated with such enthusiasm and respect.



Deputy Principal's Report continued



Congratulations



Natasha Iacono from year 7R has recently competed and won a Gold medal in her Brazilian Jiu Jitsu competition last weekend. The 2018 Summer NSW Brazilian Jiu Jitsu summer cup! She had gone up a weight division and won both of her matches.

Brazilian Jiu Jitsu is a martial arts and illustrates that sports are inclusive of both boys and girls.

She is a regular competitor and also was the Asian Pacific Brazilian Jiu Jitsu champion last year.

Congratulations Natasha.

Congratulations to another of the Sporting champions at Concord High School.

Zac Robertson-Hodder competed in the Schoolboys Junior Tennis Tournament last week along with several other Concord High School students, including Taylor Wang and Xavi Chaing.

They all acquitted themselves very well with Xavi making it through qualifying to the main draw in the Year 8 singles and Taylor making it to the quarterfinals in the Year 7 boys doubles.

Zac made it to the quarterfinals in the year 7 singles and year 7 doubles and the final of the year 8 doubles where he and his partner were runners-up to a very strong pairing (pictured below - Zac on left). Congratulations



Deputy Principal's Report continued

Year 10 Reports & Parent Portal

Year 10 Reports have been posted to parents and care givers. An additional letter was included for parents to access the Concord High School Parent Portal. The Parent Portal will allow parents access to their child's timetable, attendance records and daily notices. We will also be sending academic reports via the parent portal as of 2019. Parents are urged to set up access immediately so that they are prepared for any access issues that may arise, keeping in mind that there will not be staff on the premises that can assist you with troubleshooting access issues during the school holidays.

Week 8 Highlights

Week 8 has been an incredibly busy week at Concord with many initiatives and celebrations that either have showcased students work or allowed authentic learning opportunities for our students.

WORLD OF MATHS – Thank you to Kathy Kalachian and the Maths faculty for the organisation of the Year 7 World of Maths Day which occurred on Monday 3 December. All year 7 students participated in a variety of fun, colourful, hands-on, mathematical, problem solving activities about the strands of number, space, measurement, chance and data and logical thinking and sequencing.

Formal Assemblies

This week we celebrated the successes of students at our annual formal year assemblies. A variety of awards were given to students for their participation and achievements across all subjects and extra-curricular activities. A special thank you to Mrs Milligan (HT Welfare) for leading the organisation of both award ceremonies and to the year advisers and year adviser assistants for their ongoing support in celebrating student success.

Year 6 Orientation

On Tuesday 4 December, we had approximately 240 year 6 students visit Concord High School at the Orientation Day. Much planning and organisation went into this event including visiting feeder schools, planning activities, coordinating peer support leaders to mention a few. We would like to thank our 2019 Year 7 Adviser Ellen Hoy and Assistant Year Adviser Daniel White who lead the organisation of this event and all members of staff who assisted directly or volunteered their time towards ensuring our prospective year 7 students were able to experience Concord High School prior to their arrival next year.



Deputy Principal's Report continued

YEAR 10 MADD NIGHT

On 6 December, Thursday evening, Year 10 Music, Visual Arts, Visual Design and Drama students performed and exhibited music, drama acts, Art and Design works that they have been preparing this semester to teachers, parents and friends. All students are to be commended on their efforts as the works presented, showcased their hard work and talents. We would like to extend our gratitude and appreciation to the teachers who supported our students in achieving their goals in preparation for the show:

Visual Design: Mr Little

Visual Arts: Ms Podger

Drama: Mrs Lombardo

Music: Ms Cesta

A special thank you to Mr Shaw, Ms Huang and Ms Hantes for their ongoing support in preparation for this event and for the duration of the show.



PDHPE News

Sporting Achievements

Alexander Deller Year 10 2018

We have recently been advised that Alexander has been selected to the New South Wales Combine High Schools Boys Cricket Team that will tour the UK next year. The New South Wales Combined High Schools representation is the highest honour a student in New South Wales can attain. In achieving this representation Alexander has become part of a great tradition.

We are enormously proud and excited of his achievement and congratulate him on his future endeavours.

Alex will be touring during June and July 2019. He and his team will be playing 10 games over 24 days against representative sides from counties such as Lancashire, Warwickshire, Staffordshire, Lincolnshire, Glamorgan, as well as the MCC. He will also get the opportunity to take in a number of cultural experiences such as Buckingham Palace, and the London Eye. In addition they will have World Cup tickets to Australia v New Zealand at Lord's, and Australia v South Africa at Old Trafford. They will even have a day at Wimbledon. It is bound to be a wonderful experience and a tremendous development opportunity for Alexander both as a young man and as a cricketer and we wish him all the very best.

Welfare News

Concord High School were fortunate to be involved in a mentoring program run by the NRL called **In League In Harmony**. The program ran for 6 weeks, imparting information to our students about goal setting and making good choices as well as stepping up when others need your help. Several students were ultimately selected from our school to be Youth Ambassadors and will represent Concord High at future forums. We look forward to seeing this program continuing in 2019 and I would like to thank the students and staff for their participation, ensuring the success of In League In Harmony.

Ms Valele

Concord High School/NRL Program Coordinator



Concord High School News

As students, these discussions allowed us to recognise the value of being active citizens and taking part in more social and political discussions in the wider community. Through this experience, we also learned the importance of having the confidence to enquire and ask own questions that need answers and to pay close attention to what is going on around the world to stay connected and aware of current affairs. Overall, it was an eye-opening evening to be part of the live audience for the ABC's Q&A program.

*Written by Aylin Cihan and Houston Hoang
(Year 12 Students)*



Top Left to Right: Koray Ozbay, Joshua Bartlett, Jason Li, Riley Flack, Christian Angelopoulos, Zachary Falanga, Ethan Davies and Maximus Trapnell

Bottom Left to Right: Houston Hoang, Jamie Choi, Aylin Cihan and Talia O'Neill



*Concord High School's Senior Students
at the ABC studios for the Q & A
Program*



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Rotary Club of Burwood Speech Craft Night – Public Speaking Event 2018

On Monday 3rd December 2018, two students from Concord High School participated in the 2018 Rotary Club of Burwood Speech Craft Night held at Burwood RSL Club. Dakota Thuell in Year 7 and Neva Mikulic in Year 8 prepared and delivered speeches on various topics, including “the dangers of social media” and “the carrot vs. the stick” to a panel of Toastmasters judges and a crowd of parents, teachers and organisers. Our school along with a large number of other schools in the local area were involved in the event, including Burwood Girls High School, Fort Street High School, Meriden and PLC Sydney, among many others, offering our students a valuable opportunity and experience to further develop their public speaking skills. Both Dakota and Neva represented Concord High School with pride and we look forward to their participation in future public speaking events.



Community News

School Holiday Fun at City of Canada Bay Libraries in Five Dock, Concord and Rhodes!

Explore all special activities over summer in the Library eNewsletter - read their special edition online: bit.ly/schoolholidayfun1819

You can also pick up a printed copy of the full school holiday program when you visit the Library. Due to limited spaces, bookings are essential.



Summer School Holiday Activities
for primary school students

Check out our school holiday activities for primary school students!

Get an interactive presentation on the new \$50 banknote and discover banknote security features.

Explore the Museum with a treasure map and learn about the history of Australia.

Summer Session Times
Wednesday, 9 January, 11.00 am – 12.45 pm
Friday, 11 January, 11.00 am – 12.45 pm
Wednesday, 16 January, 11.00 am – 12.45 pm
Friday, 18 January, 11.00 am – 12.45 pm
Wednesday, 23 January, 11.00 am – 12.45 pm
Friday, 25 January, 11.00 am – 12.45 pm

Cost: FREE (bookings essential)
Email: museum@rba.gov.au
Phone: (02) 9551 9743

Reserve Bank of Australia Museum
Ground Floor, 65 Martin Place
Sydney NSW 2000

To find out more, visit:
www.museum.rba.gov.au/events

 **RESERVE BANK OF AUSTRALIA**



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

Student	Award
Aleyna ISIK	Silver Merit: Silver Merit
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Sara AL-ALAMI	Bronze Merit: Bronze Merit
Sara AL-ALAMI	Silver Merit: Silver Merit
Sara AL-ALAMI	Gold Merit Award: Gold Merit Award
Alex SALSICCIA	Bronze Merit: Bronze Merit
Jinan EL-BADAR	Year Adviser Award: Year Adviser
Woody GRAY	Year Adviser Award: Year Adviser
Tamikah JOE	Year Adviser Award: Year Adviser
Tommy KELLY	Year Adviser Award: Year Adviser
Joshua KIM	Year Adviser Award: Year Adviser
Sarah LAM	Year Adviser Award: Year Adviser
Ryan CHOW	Faculty Award: Faculty Award
Matthew IANITTO	Year Adviser Award: Year Adviser
Lara KAYABAS	Year Adviser Award: Year Adviser
Cameron CALDWELL	Year Adviser Award: Year Adviser
Anthony KIM	Year Adviser Award: Year Adviser
Chong Ked SHUM	Year Adviser Award: Year Adviser
Holly THOMPSON	Year Adviser Award: Year Adviser
Angelina ZAMORA	Year Adviser Award: Year Adviser
Matthew ZHANG	Faculty Award: Faculty Award
Daniel THOR	Faculty Award: Faculty Award
Neva MIKULIC	Faculty Award: Faculty Award
Sean CHANG	Faculty Award: Faculty Award
Domengo ANASTOPOULOS	Year Adviser Award: Year Adviser



Upcoming Dates

VARIATIONS TO ROUTINE

TERM 4 WEEK 9 December 10, 2018 – December 14, 2018 WEEK A

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

A LOOK AHEAD 2018 Term 4 Week 10

B TERM 4 WEEK 10	December 17 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 12 Business Studies Task No. 1 Year 12 Modern History Task 1 	December 18 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 12 Ancient History Task 	December 19 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Last Day of Term 	December 20 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> School Holidays 	December 21 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> School Holidays
A TERM 1 WEEK 1	28 January <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Australia Day Public Holiday 	29 January	30 January <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 7, 11, 12 return to school 	31 January <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 8, 9 and 10 return to school 	1 February

