



## Concord High School **Keeping In Touch** *Respectful Responsible Achieving* **Term 1 Week 6**

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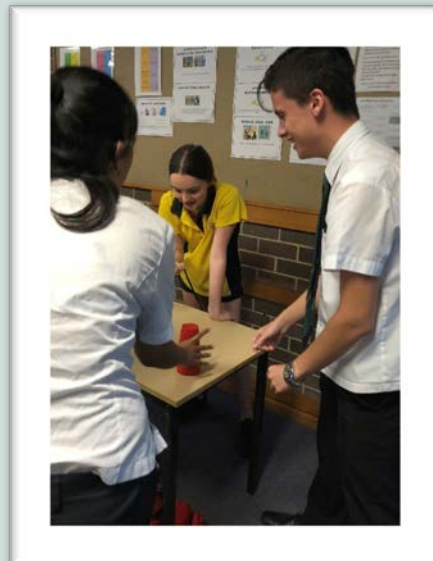
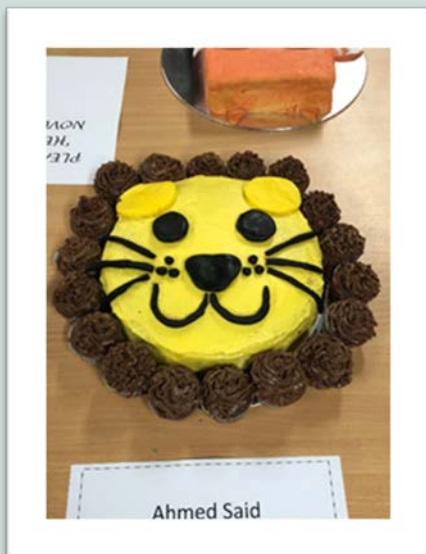
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# Principal's Report

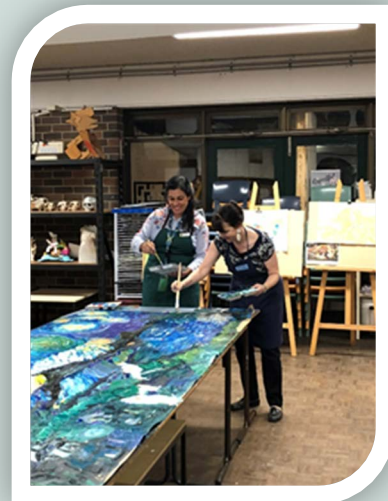
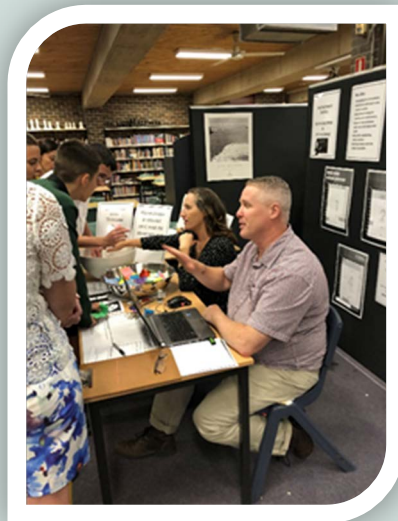
### Open Night

We were very proud to show case our wonderful school at Open Night this week. The teaching staff arranged attractive displays and interactive activities for the students to engage in. Ms Cesta, Head Teacher CAPA arranged for the band to perform and Ms Payne, Mr Anderson, Mr White (2019 Year Adviser) and myself provided a presentation to the visiting parents and students.

I am very proud of our student leaders, comprising of the Student Representative Council, Peer Support Leaders and Prefects who lead groups of parents and students around the school. Since the event, the school has been provided with very positive feedback from visiting parents about these wonderful student ambassadors.



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## Gifted and Talented Education Evening

A Gifted and Talented Education Evening was held on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> March to provide information to Year 6 students and their parents about the Year 7-10 Gifted and Talented classes available at Concord High School. A presentation was provided highlighting the GAT structure, pedagogy, Higher Order Thinking class and application process and there was an opportunity for the visiting parents and students to ask questions which were answered by the Gifted and Talented Coordinator, Ms Julie Taing; Head Teacher Teaching and Learning, Ms Penny Merchant; Deputy Principal, Mr Craig Anderson and Relieving Principal, Mrs Jody Engisch. At Concord High School we are very proud of the achievements of all our students. The curriculum at Concord High School is differentiated by teachers to suit the individual needs of students and provide opportunities for enrichment and extension to enable students to reach their potential and beyond.



**Relieving Principal  
Mrs Jody Engisch**



# Deputy Principal's Report

by Craig Anderson & Fiona Payne

## **Congratulations Jasmine**

Jasmine Smith of Year 10 has been selected to be part of the NSW Public Schools Year 10 Drama Ensemble. Jasmine is an elective drama student at Concord High and her selection for the prestigious Arts Unit Ensemble will enable her to perform at the State Drama Festival at the Seymour Centre in October.



## **YEAR 12 2018**

If your student is currently in Year 12, then the following tips could be useful.

Mid-course examinations are coming up, starting on Friday 6 April and continuing through till the end of term.

- 1) Ensure that all class and assessment work is up to date. Has your student had any N-Warnings this term? These need to be cleared as soon as possible.
- 2) Prepare study notes on the topics you have studied in Terms 4 2017 and Term 1 2018.
- 3) Keep up to date and on top of any subject in which you have a major work or personal interest project. The upcoming April holidays will be vital!
- 4) Practise the sorts of questions that you will get in the examination under exam conditions. Give yourself 40 minutes and prepare an essay from a past paper.

Set up a study plan so that there is plenty of time for relaxation, family and friends but set aside time each week to work on something for school.



# Welfare News

by Ms Milligan

## International Women's Day (IWD)

International Women's Day (IWD) is celebrated on the 8<sup>th</sup> of March every year. It commemorates the movement for women's rights. The 8<sup>th</sup> of March was suggested by the 1910 International Socialist Woman's Conference to become an "International Woman's Day." After women gained suffrage in Soviet Russia in 1917, the 8<sup>th</sup> of March became a national holiday there. The day was then predominantly celebrated by the socialist movement and communist countries until it was adopted in 1975 by the United Nations.

Here at Concord we had students attending an International Women's Day Breakfast and an International Women's Day Morning Tea at 3M Australian Headquarters.

Holly Thompson( Yr 10) and Georgia Martin( Yr 9) attended the 3M event where the day started with presentations from executives from the NFP organisation - Women on Boards, 3M and the Harding Miller Education Foundation. After a lovely morning tea the girls were given a tour of the 3M innovations complex and were able to meet STEM professionals and ask questions about their roles and career pathways.

I would like to thank 3M and the Harding Miller Foundation for inviting our students.



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

### STUDENT

Erica HILL-MUNRO

### AWARD

**Faculty Award:** Faculty Award



# P & C News

## **Harmony Day P&C Sweet Treats Stall — Wednesday, 21 March**

The P&C are delighted to be asked once again to be part of the upcoming Harmony Day Event at CHS planned for Wednesday, 21 March, and will be running a Sweet Treats Stall at recess on the day. We need your help.

**We need donations of Sweet Treats to sell to students, and volunteers to help run the stall on the day.**

Donations can be either store-bought or homemade. Suggestions include cakes, cupcakes, biscuits, brownies, rocky road, bags of lollies &/or chocolates, slices etc. We are looking for anything sweet that will appeal to high school kids!

Monies raised from the Sweet Treats Stall will form part of the funds raised by the various activities on the day and donated to a charity chosen by CHS.

**Your Sweet Treats will need to be delivered by students or parents/carers to the Staff Common Room (above the front office) before school on the morning of Wednesday, 21 March.**

Please deliver on disposable & covered plates if you can. If you provide a container that you would like returned to you, please be sure to write your child's name and year on a label and attach firmly. These will be returned to the front office for pick up after the event. Store-bought items can be provided as bought and we will plate up.

**A list of all ingredients used must be provided.**

If you wish to decorate with a flag for the country of origin and details of the dish, that would be great. At the same time, we appreciate how hectic life is, so donations of any kind — international or not — will be most warmly welcomed and appreciated by the P&C and students.

If you are free and would like to help, we welcome volunteer parents and carers to set up and run the stall with any time you have free between 9am and 11.30am. Volunteers generally retire for a coffee after the event at a coffee shop in Majors Bay Road, so it's a great way to meet and socialise with other parents and carers.

**If you would like to help run the stall on the day please email your name and mobile number and we will get back to you with details — [concordhighschool@pandcaffiliate.org.au](mailto:concordhighschool@pandcaffiliate.org.au)**

This is a great way to support the school and students on this really important day and we thank all those planning to donate and our volunteers on the day.

## **Next P&C Meeting Tuesday, 20 March 2018**

7.00pm to 8.30pm in the Staff Common Room (above the front office). All members and non-members welcome.



# P & C News continued

## **P&C Volunteers**

The P&C is made up of many wonderful fellow parent/carer volunteers, and there are many ways to be involved in your P&C — not all of which require too much time, and many of which can be done from home. We will be profiling some of the jobs in the KIT going forward.

## **Volunteer Call — P&C Vice President**

With huge thanks to Marie dela Rama who is standing down as Vice President, we will be declaring this position vacant at the next P&C meeting. So if you have any interest in this role and want further information, please email us as per below.

## **Volunteer Call — P&C Auditor**

**We** are looking for a parent /carer volunteer to take on the audit role for the next CHS P&C end of financial year (end June 2018). The details of the role from the P&C Federation are below. This is a great role for those who wish to be involved but would prefer a once a year, defined task to complete. You will be supported in this role by the Treasurer and can talk with and reference our previous auditor. This task is done easily from home and has a good long lead time, needing completion anytime between the end of June and September when we hold our AGM.

*The auditor does not need to be a qualified professional. The auditor must possess appropriate skills and experience in auditing and financial record management together with an appreciation of the issues of probity as they relate to the role of association auditor. The auditor must not have or appear to have any conflict of interest arising, for example, from a personal or business relationship with an Officer of the association and must be prepared to swear that the records are a true and correct statement of the information provided by the Treasurer.*

Please email us as per below if you are interested with many thanks.

For further information, please do not hesitate to contact us by emailing [concordhighschool@pandcaffiliate.org.au](mailto:concordhighschool@pandcaffiliate.org.au)

## **Uniform Shop News**

The Uniform Shop trading hours are:

Monday and Wednesday 10.30am to 1.30pm.

Please note at recess (10:35am – 10:55am) and lunch (12.35pm – 1.15pm) students are given priority — parents are welcome after recess and before or after lunch.

You can contact the Uniform Shop Manager, Mae, on 0434 169 203 or email [school\\_s\\_in@yahoo.com.au](mailto:school_s_in@yahoo.com.au).

Finally, very best wishes to all CHS students, families and staff from your Concord High School P&C.

# Upcoming Dates

## VARIATIONS TO ROUTINE TERM 1 WEEK 7 12 MARCH – 16 MARCH 2018 WEEK A

<b>12 March</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 11 Geography Fieldtrip</li> <li>Open Girls Volleyball Knockout</li> <li>Year 11 Legal Studies task</li> </ul>	<b>13 March</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Prefects Afternoon Tea 4:00pm-6:00pm</li> <li>GATS online applications close</li> <li>GATS placement test</li> </ul>	<b>14 March</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School Photo Day</li> <li>International Students Parent/Carer night 4 – 5 pm</li> </ul>
<b>15 March</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School Photo Day</li> <li>International Students Parent/Carer night 4 – 5 pm</li> </ul>	<b>16 March</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 8 Geography Task 1</li> <li>Year 11 Business Studies Task 1</li> </ul>	

## A LOOK AHEAD 2018 Term 1 Weeks 8, 9 & 10

<b>B TERM 1 WEEK 8</b>	<b>19 March</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chinese New Year celebration</li> <li>Year 12 Biology excursion</li> </ul>	<b>20 March</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>GATS placement test</li> </ul>	<b>21 March</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Harmony Day</li> </ul>	<b>22 March</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li></li> </ul>	<b>23 March</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Period 1 Formal assembly - 7 &amp; 10</li> <li>Period 2 Formal assembly - 8 &amp; 9</li> <li>Period 3 Formal assembly - 11 &amp; 12</li> <li>Year 7 French film</li> </ul>
<b>A TERM 1 WEEK 9</b>	<b>26 March</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 10 study skills</li> <li>Year 7 English/EALD task</li> <li>Year 11 Science skills assessment</li> </ul>	<b>27 March</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Maths CAT competition</li> <li>GATS makeup test</li> <li>Year 11 Visual Arts task</li> </ul>	<b>28 March</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School Cross Country</li> <li>Regional Swimming</li> <li>Year 12 Economics task</li> </ul>	<b>29 March</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lunch- Worlds Greatest Shave</li> <li>Year 10 Geography task</li> <li>Year 11 Society and Culture task 1</li> </ul>	<b>30 March</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Good Friday</li> </ul>
<b>B TERM 1 WEEK 10</b>	<b>2 April</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Easter Monday</li> </ul>	<b>3 April</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li></li> </ul>	<b>4 April</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School Cross Country wet weather date</li> <li>Year 9 English/EALD task</li> </ul>	<b>5 April</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li></li> </ul>	<b>6 April</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li></li> </ul>

