



Concord High School **Keeping In Touch** *Respectful Responsible Achieving* **Term 1 Week 9**

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Principals Report

I hope that students and their families had a relaxing and enjoyable Easter break.

Good luck and best wishes to the Year 12 students who will start their Mid-Year Examinations next week.

Cross Country Carnival

Last week the students participated in the Cross Country Carnival during school time which was highly successful due to the outstanding organisation and dedication of Mr Bilbija, Sports Coordinator, Mr Wynne, Head Teacher PDHPE. I am really proud of the enthusiastic students who participated in this event. We have some wonderful athletes at the school.

New Welfare room

The Welfare room has been re-located to the junior learning centre and has been re-furbished. Thank you to Mrs Milligan for organising this. This is used as a short term chill out space as required when students need time out to manage their emotions. Students need the permission of Mrs Milligan to use this space and can only be there when Mrs Milligan is available to supervise them. When Mrs Milligan is on a class or attending a meeting students are unable to use this space.



Principals Report continued

Prefect Morning Tea with the Relieving Director

This week the Year 12 Prefects were provided with the opportunity to meet the Relieving Director Schools NSW, Mr Paul Hughes. The Prefects talked about the wonderful initiatives that they had introduced to the school, such as the sleep campaign and humans of Concord, which is featured in the KIT, profiling students and staff of Concord High School. Mr Hughes discussed his role and talked to the students about effective leadership.



Congratulations Sidharth Krishnan-Lyer

Year 12 student, Sidharth Krishnan-Lyer presented highlights of his experience at the National Youth Science Forum to Concord Rotary Club last week. He was involved in a 12 day stay in Canberra, visiting universities and a range of science institutes. Mr Sloane nominated him for this initiative and attended the evening to hear him speak. Well Done Sidharth!



Principals Report continued

World's Greatest Shave

On Thursday volunteer students participated in the World's Greatest Shave organised by Fundraising Coordinator, Ms Verniquet. Students had their hair coloured or shaved by hairdressers with donations going towards the Leukaemia Foundation. A huge thanks to Ms Veriquet for coordinating the event and students for the participating students and students who donated money for the important cause.



Thank you to our wonderful student volunteers. We are so proud of you!



Principals Report continued

Worlds Greatest Shave



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HSC Biology students highly engaged at the UNSW Museum of Human Disease



HSC Biology students investigating the Option- Communication



Principals Report continued

HSC Biology students exploring human disease at the UNSW museum.



Mrs Jody Engisch
Relieving Principal

Deputy Principals Report

by Craig Anderson & Fiona Payne

Congratulations to Ms Bekheet and the enviro team

Ms Bekheet has been successful in applying for a small environmental grant from the City of Canada Bay Council. Ms Bekheet, Mr Anderson and some of the enviro team will meet Mayor Angelo Tsirekas on April 4 to receive the cheque. The application was to add more plants to the Crane Street wildlife corridor.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students after school tutoring

We have established a connection with Walanga Muru, the Office of Indigenous Strategy at Macquarie University recruited tutors for the usual Thursday afternoon meeting time of 3 to 4 pm in Common 4. Please encourage your student to attend next Thursday afternoon. They can bring any school work, homework or assignment that they need some help with or come along just for a chat.

Walanga Muru is a Darug language name meaning Follow Your Path.

ATAR Club

The ATAR Club has started and will be held at lunchtime in the Theatrette each Friday. Due to the Mid Course Examinations we will resume next term. Please discuss ATAR Club, mentoring and Mid Course Examination preparation with your student.

Congratulations to Daniel Samuel

Daniel Samuel of Year 10 has been in Western Australia this past week competing in the BMX Nationals. Daniel is an elite BMX athlete and has been training every day before and after school for this amazing opportunity. We are thrilled to report that Daniel has placed 7th overall in Australia. He has also placed 5th in the Oceania BMX titles.



Well done Daniel!



Welfare News

by Ms F Milligan

I am in the process of updating our medical records. For many of our families, the medical information which was given to us at the time of enrolment may have changed. Any student who has asthma or an allergy are now required to complete a plan, signed by a doctor and including a recent photograph. I will be distributing these forms to students over the next few weeks, could you please assist by having the forms completed and back to school by Monday 30th April. If your child no longer has asthma or an allergy, a new Concord High School Medical form will need to be completed.



Extended Leave and Travel Attendance and Early Leaving

Extended Leave and Travel

Applications for Extended Leave/Travel must be submitted to the Front Office with a copy of the travel documents i.e. airline tickets, itinerary, **at least three weeks** prior to travel for approval by the Principal.

Please be aware that late submissions may not be approved.

Attendance

Class rolls are marked at the beginning of each period by the class teacher.

Early Leaving

Students who request to leave school early to attend an appointment must present a note to the Side Office before school on the day required. Students are reminded that attendance at school is compulsory and that appointments should be made outside of school hours wherever possible. Early leaver's permission notes are to be picked up from the Side Office before leaving the school.



Student Study Tour

Kozoji (小蔵寺) High School, Japan

On Thursday, March 15th Concord High School hosted a student study tour of 18 students and 2 staff from Kozoji High School in Japan. This is the second year running that Concord has hosted visitors from Kozoji and the afternoon was a great success. Ms Yuan had several of her Japanese language students show the students a presentation on the NSW Education system and how it is implemented at Concord High School. These students then took the visitors on tours of the school and into classrooms to observe lessons taking place.

The highlight of the day for all students was sitting together and sharing a meal. The Languages faculty has been working with the TAS faculty on several cross-curricula projects and initiatives. Under the supervision of Mrs Easterbrook, senior Hospitality students prepared and boxed sample servings of hot and cold salads, including a deconstructed beef brisket with Asian flavours, traditional French Salade Nicoise and the always popular Chicken Caesar Salad. It was wonderful to see the Japanese visitors, senior TAS students and student tour guides enjoying the wonderful food and conversation. While many of the Japanese visitors didn't initially feel confident about their English language skills, by the end of the day many had swapped email addresses and become friends on social media with Concord High School students. Kozoji students have made contact since their return to Japan and the tour group organiser felt this was the most successful and rewarding school tour yet. Some students have started writing to each other to practise both English and Japanese.

A **BIG** thank you to all those involved!

P Merchant

Head Teacher, Teaching & Learning, EAL/D, International Students and Languages









AFTER SCHOOL TUTORING FOR TERM 2, 2018

Tutoring will begin **Monday 7th May** and end on **Wednesday 27th June**

Concord High School provides an after school tutoring program to support and enhance student learning in the classroom. The program is conducted on a term basis and will be available on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays in English, Maths and Science for both junior and senior students.

Concord High School specifically allocates tutors that have achieved high ATAR (Australian Tertiary Admission Rank) results in their respective HSC (Higher School Certificate) courses to ensure that a high level of academic support is provided to all enrolled students.

There will be 8 tutoring sessions (Week 2 – Week 9) in Term 2, which will be held in the school library from 3:00-4:00pm and from 4:00-5:00pm. If you are interested in enrolling your child into this program, please apply online through the following link:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfi95QrPZ8K6wQLn-HL7aN-M8B1UNJenFv9i0kRMvvCDJmXmA/viewform?usp=sf_link

All applications will be accepted on a 'first come first served' basis. As there is always a high demand for our tutors, it is kindly requested that parents/guardians have flexibility in making their preferences on the online application form.

Students and parents/guardians will be notified of the success of their application during the week beginning 1st May 2018 (Term 2, Week 1). If you any issues in this regard, please do not hesitate to speak to the tutoring coordinator, Ms Sarah Kim on 9745 3777 or via e-mail at sarah.kim69@det.nsw.edu.au.

Applications for Term 2 2018 will OPEN on

Monday 26th March 2018

and CLOSE on

Friday 6th April 2018

Applications are considered on a first come, first served basis.

Please contact Ms Sarah Kim if you have further enquiries in this regard.

sarah.kim69@det.nsw.edu.au





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

STUDENT

AWARD

Dakota THUELL

Year Adviser Award: Year Adviser

Andriana TZOUGANATOS

Year Adviser Award: Year Adviser

Enzo DA COSTA ALVES

Year Adviser Award: Year Adviser

Jessica ROGERS

Year Adviser Award: Year Adviser

Isabella HOGAN

Year Adviser Award: Year Adviser

Julieanne LUU

Year Adviser Award: Year Adviser

Jack GANKHULUG

Bronze Merit: Bronze Merit



Upcoming Dates

VARIATIONS TO ROUTINE TERM 1 WEEK 10 2 APRIL – 6 APRIL 2018 WEEK B

2 April <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Easter Monday 	3 April <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Year 8 Values Program 10:55am-11:45am 	4 April <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o School Cross Country wet weather date o Year 8 Values Program 10:55am-11:45am o Year 9 English EALD Task 11:45am-12:35pm
5 April <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Year 10 Drama 9:45am-10:35am o Year 12 Modern Task 9:00am-9:45am o Peer Support Period 5 o Visual Arts 10:35am-3:15pm o Year 8 Values Program 10:55am-11:45am 	6 April <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Year 11 Mathematics Task 9:00am-10:35am o Year 11 Economics Task 9:00am-10:35am o Year 11 Drama Task 9:00am-10:35am o Year 11 English Task 11:45am-12:35pm o Year 12 Mid Course Examinations 	

A LOOK AHEAD 2018 Term 1 Week 11 & Term 2 Week 1

A TERM 1 WEEK 11	9 April <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Year 12 Mid Course Examinations o NSWCHSSA Swimming Championships o ATSI students to Bangarra Dance Workshop 9:00am-3:00pm o Prefects to ANZAC Service 10:0am-2:00pm 	10 April <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Year 12 Mid Course Examinations o NSWCHSSA Swimming Championships 	11 April <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Year 12 Mid Course Examinations o Year 11 Cross Roads Camp 	12 April <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Year 12 Mid Course Examinations o Year 11 Cross Roads Camps o Peer Support Period 6 o School Captains Leadership Program 9:00am-3:00pm 	13 April <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Year 12 Mid Course Examinations o Year 11 Cross Roads Camp
A TERM 2 WEEK 1	30 April <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o 	1 May <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o 	2 May <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o 	3 May <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Year 10 Café and Hospitality 9:00am-3:00pm o Sydney Writes Festival 9:00am-3:00pm 	4 May <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Year 11 Biology 9:00am-3:00pm o HSC Engineering Studies topic Test 8:55am-10:45am