



Concord High School Keeping In Touch

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Term 2 Week 1

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Principals Report

Welcome back to another exciting and engaging term of learning at Concord High School.

ANZAC Day

On the first day of term the HSIE faculty under the leadership of Ms Danka Milinovic organised the ANZAC Day commemorative assemblies. Special guest speaker Mr Cummins read the Oath and Mr Bill

Paling provided personal reflections of his father's time in the war. I was very proud of all of the students at Concord High School who demonstrated respect and responsibility during the assemblies. Special thanks to Captains Serena Davison, Seth Hennessy and Jason Baena-Tan and Emily Lockrey for their contributions to the ANZAC day assemblies.



Principals Report continued



Mr Paling



Mr Cummins

Girls' Sports Club

Miss Verniquet, PDHPE teacher runs a Girls' Sports Club during lunchtimes which has been a huge success. Girls from all year levels are encouraged to play in recreational activities such as badminton, basketball and soccer, to improve their skills and general fitness as well as build connections. I would like to thank Miss Verniquet for her time and dedication to this wonderful initiative and encourage students to participate.



Principals Report continued

Student achievement

Congratulations to the Open Girls Knockout Volleyball team who participated in the semi-final against Gorokan High School from the Central Coast. We are very proud of their efforts, commitment and teamwork and the dedication of Ms Verniquet as coach.



Congratulations to Aleya Onar of Year 9, who has been selected to perform in a string ensemble as part of the Festival of Instrumental Music at the Sydney Opera House.

Director Schools NSW Strathfield- visit

This week the school had the opportunity to meet with our new Director of Schools NSW Strathfield, Ms Maria Serafim. Ms Serafim met with the Prefect student leadership team, engaging in inspirational and engaging discussions and went on a tour around the school enjoying what Concord High School has to offer and met with students and teachers. We are looking forward to other opportunities where more students and staff can meet with Ms Serafim to work in partnership.



Principals Report continued

Director Schools NSW Strathfield- visit



Tour- Robotics Club students, animal room and technology workshops



**Relieving Principal
Mrs Jody Engisch**



Deputy Principals Report

by Craig Anderson

Save the date

May 23rd is Year 7 and 12 parent teacher night.

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 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 will start Friday Week 2 and run every Friday lunchtime in the Theatrette for the term. This term the focus is on transition beyond school with a variety of guest speakers including past students, Universities, TAFE and of course our career and transition advisers.

Winter uniform

Just a reminder that we are in a Winter term. Winter uniform is available from the uniform shop and all stock is available. Track suit pants, hoodies and tights are not part of school uniform. If students attend in these items they are asked to change into loan uniform for the day.

Reading is not a lost art

A snapshot of a moment in time in the school library at lunch time (photo below). Please take the phone and tablet off your student and ensure that they are engaging in real time with other people, are able to relax and enjoy reading or being physical in exercising. We encourage you to set boundaries for your students and limit time on computer games and social media. At times some of our students are unsettled at school and unable to concentrate. They report that they spend large amounts of time playing on their phones and tablets in their bedrooms when they should be asleep.



Deputy Principals Report continued

by Craig Anderson

National Art School Dobell Drawing Workshop

During the school holidays three of our Year 11 students participated in a four day drawing workshop at the National Art School. Ms Hantes attended the final exhibition of the student works and was impressed with the quality of the work and the feedback from the art tutors about our students. Congratulations Renee Ridley, Lindsay Campbell and Emiliano Neroni.

Ms Renee Ridley and one of her drawings



Ms Lindsay Campbell and some of her drawings



Mr Emiliano Neroni also attended the workshop and although we don't have a photograph of him below is an example of one of his works.

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WELFARE NEWS

Welcome back to Term 2 – I hope you had an enjoyable break.

Another busy and exciting term coming up in Welfare – if your child has not visited my new COOL ROOM yet, please encourage them to pop up and see it in the Junior Learning Centre. A great place to come and chill for a while and have a chat.

At our first Welfare Meeting this term, we welcomed our new Police School Liason Officer, Senior Constable Anne Ferfolya who will be helping the team to implement educational programs and crime prevention workshops. We are looking forward to working with Constable Ferfolya and introducing her to our students.

Lots of different welfare programs being planned in each Year Level this term including, but not limited to:

Yr 7 – Welfare Survey and Bullying

Yr 8 – Cyber Bullying

Yr 9 – Safe Relationships

Yr 10 – Subject Selection

Yr 11 – Prefect Selection and Crossroads Evaluation

Yr 12 – Careers Expo

I have included a flier titled “ Top 10 Tips For Year 10 Students Choosing Their HSC Course.” This is a good starting point for the process which will start to happen with Year 10 students shortly, including a Parent Information Evening on June 7th.

I look forward to working with you again this term,

Mrs Fiona Milligan
Head Teacher Welfare



TOP 10 TIPS FOR YEAR 10

STUDENTS CHOOSING

THEIR HSC COURSES

- 01** Choose what you're good at, interested in and which will lay a foundation for your future plans.
- 02** Choose HSC courses best suited to your ability. Don't choose courses just because of scaling or because you think they will give you a better ATAR.
- 03** Make the link between your choice now and where you want to go after Year 12.
- 04** Check if the uni you want to go to (and/or the course you want to do) has prerequisites and assumed knowledge – this booklet has all this info.
- 05** If you want to get an ATAR, make sure you will be eligible.
- 06** Depending on what you study, marks around 70 in the HSC could lead to an ATAR in the 50s, while marks closer to 80 could lead to an ATAR of 80. This is because most students have marks between 70 and 80 so when you are ranked that group really spreads out.
- 07** If you are getting marks in the 70s do whatever you can to get closer to 80 – it will make a big difference to your ATAR.
- 08** Remember that unis award bonus points for your performance in particular HSC courses, and usually for Bands 4 and above.
- 09** If you're not sure what level maths and English to take, choose the level that suits your ability and future plans. You will not necessarily get a higher ATAR just by studying a lower level course, and unis don't always give bonus points for the lower level courses, no matter how well you do. Also check rerequisites in case you need to get a certain performance band.
- 10** To maximise your ATAR you have to make good choices about what to study, work to the best of your ability and work towards your goals for life after school.

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P&C NEWS

CONCORD HIGH SCHOOL P&C NEWS - FRIDAY, 3 MAY 2018

Our next P&C Meeting is this coming Tuesday, 8th May 2018

7.00 pm – 8.30 pm - Staff Common Room (above front office)

All members and non members welcome

The P&C meetings are in the staff common room with all warmly welcome for a relaxed, fun and collegiate gathering of parent, carer, community and school staff members. The meetings provide a great way to stay connected with the school and your local community with important updates on school news and initiatives. Light refreshments are served.

More on Grants

In the last copy of KIT, we ran a report from our wonderful P&C Grants Manager, Donna Hogan, on the fabulous and very valued work she has been doing, in partnership with CHS staff and the P&C, in raising much needed funds to finance school projects through P&C led grant applications.

Do you work for large a organisation that provide grants to their employees? You might not know it but a simple search or query of your company might unearth a grant just waiting for your application on behalf of CHS P&C. What a great and simple way to contribute towards financing many of CHS' projects to benefit the students and CHS community.

Once again, Donna would be very happy to hear from any parents/carers if you become aware of any company led or general grants that you think could be relevant to the school. Please feel free to email the P&C on the email listed below if you are able to provide information around grants we could apply for and/or help.

As our financial year end approaches we have a great one off task available for those parents/carers who would love to be involved and contribute but are time limited - an easy one to complete from home.

Calling out 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 is a task 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.



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P&C NEWS CONTINUED

It would be wonderful to have this role filled by a volunteer parent/carer as in the past two years we have had to pay an auditor to complete the work for us. We hope in our wonderful large parent/carer community we have somebody who would be willing to complete this for us.

Please email us as per below if you are interested and we can answer any queries you might have with many thanks.

P&C Email Issues / Mailing List

If you are on our P&C mailing list and have a BigPond account and are not receiving the P&C emails, please check your spam folder and/or set your filter to clear these emails as we are getting reports back that our emails are being reported as spam.

Please email us as per below, if you would like to be added to our P&C mailing list for notification of meeting dates, agendas, minutes, etc.

For further information, please do not hesitate to contact us by emailing 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.

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



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SPORTS

Girls Sports Club

Girls Sports Club is held in the hall every Wednesday lunch time and has been a huge success again this year. Girls from all year levels are encouraged to play in recreational activities such as badminton, basketball and soccer. Participants have been improving their skills and general fitness, as well as building connections with their peers. Thank you for your participation in term 1 and hopefully you are ready to be active members of girls sports club again in term 2. New members are always welcome.

Miss A Verniquet
PDPDHPE Teacher



Open Girls Knockout Volleyball

On Wednesday 2nd of May the Open Girls Volleyball team had their semi-final in the knockout competition. The opposition, Gorokan High School, travelled to Concord High School from the Central Coast. The game opened with a long rally which settled the girl's nerves and they went on to win the first set. Then Gorokan High School used their height to their advantage and started tipping the ball over the net, which helped them get a roll on for the next two sets. In the fourth set Concord High School came from behind to get within two points but unfortunately Gorokan High School were too good and won 3 sets to 1. The girls should be proud of their efforts, commitment and teamwork. We are grateful to the following students for helping this season; Boo Kyoung Kim, Alfred Choi, Zachary Falanga, Ga Won (Elaine) Lee and Yoichi Ryu.

Miss A Verniquet
PDHPE Teacher

Open Girls Volleyball Team

Jaida Duncan (year 9)

Sara Al-Alami (year 10)

Jamie (Jungbin) Choi (year 11)

Zoe (Yu-Ting) Hung (year 11)

Sophia Lu (year 11)

Samantha Perion (year 11)

Amy Vu (year 11)



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ENGLISH

English Excursion to the Sydney Writers Festival: Thursday 3rd May 2018

If you can be inspired by listening to just one published writer, imagine, how our students who attended the Sydney Writers' Festival School Day must feel after seeing four. The Secondary School Day's program was a fantastic opportunity for students to meet some of the world's most exciting authors, thinkers and storytellers, discover new voices, have a book autographed, and be inspired by the world of literature and ideas.

Held at The Concourse at Chatswood, students took their seats just in time for the first presenter – Jesse Andrews who gave an animated performance about 'How to Make Funny Happen.' He was followed by Alison Croggon who spoke about 'Facing your Monsters.' First after lunch was the famous Patrick Ness, who focused on the themes 'Stories are Wild Creatures.' Finally, Kirsty Eager presented her idea of 'Keeping it Real.' Some of the take home messages for the day were firstly the importance of drafting and revising your work and also that anyone can be a writer if they apply themselves, but avid reading and an imagination will help. It was great to see the engagement of our students and we know it will fuel their passion for literature and foster their creativity in future classwork and beyond.

Mr Cheeseman
HT English





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2018 ATHLETICS CARNIVAL INFORMATION



Dear Parent/ Guardian,

- The annual school athletics carnival is to be held on **Friday 11th May** at Concord High School, at St Lukes Oval and St Lukes ground 3 (field next to the hockey centre).
- The athletics carnival is considered a normal school day and ALL students are expected to attend. Students are encouraged to participate in at least three events throughout the day to be physically active and to get into the spirit of the day, gaining points for their house.
- The theme for the athletics carnival is '**Superheroes and Villains**'. Students can dress in costume but must also wear suitable clothing to participate in events. There will also be inter-house tug of war and a war cry competition amongst houses so encourage your child to bring along their house spirit!
- To compete in events students should wear the school's sports uniform or appropriate sporting clothing preferably in their house colours. Please remember water, 50+ sunscreen, warm clothing and a hat.
- At the beginning of the day students should proceed to their house area. The roll will then be marked by staff allocated to their house. Students will then be directed to St Lukes Oval in the company of allocated teachers.
- Students will be supervised throughout the day by Concord High School staff. Parents are welcome to attend, however they need to report to the school's front office to collect a parent visitor pass and sign the school register on arrival.
- The school has allocated photographers that will be capturing events at the carnival. Parents and spectators are not permitted to take photos but may request photos of their child by applying in writing to the school.
- A program of events will be provided prior to the carnival and will also be distributed to students on the day. Track and field events will be occurring simultaneously. If students wish to participate in a track event while their field event is taking place, they must notify the field event coordinator that they are attending their race, run the race and then return to their field event. The first races of the day will be the 800 metres commencing at 9:30am.
- A BBQ will be provided by the SRC and the canteen will be open at set times throughout the day. Students are still encouraged to bring their own lunch and drinks to keep energy/hydration levels up.
- If the weather is inclement on Friday, the carnival will be postponed to **Friday the 25th of May**. Students will need to attend normal classes, bringing the appropriate equipment. Students will be notified of the decision regarding the carnival on Thursday, as well as via the school's Twitter account.
- Contact number during the day is 9745 3777.

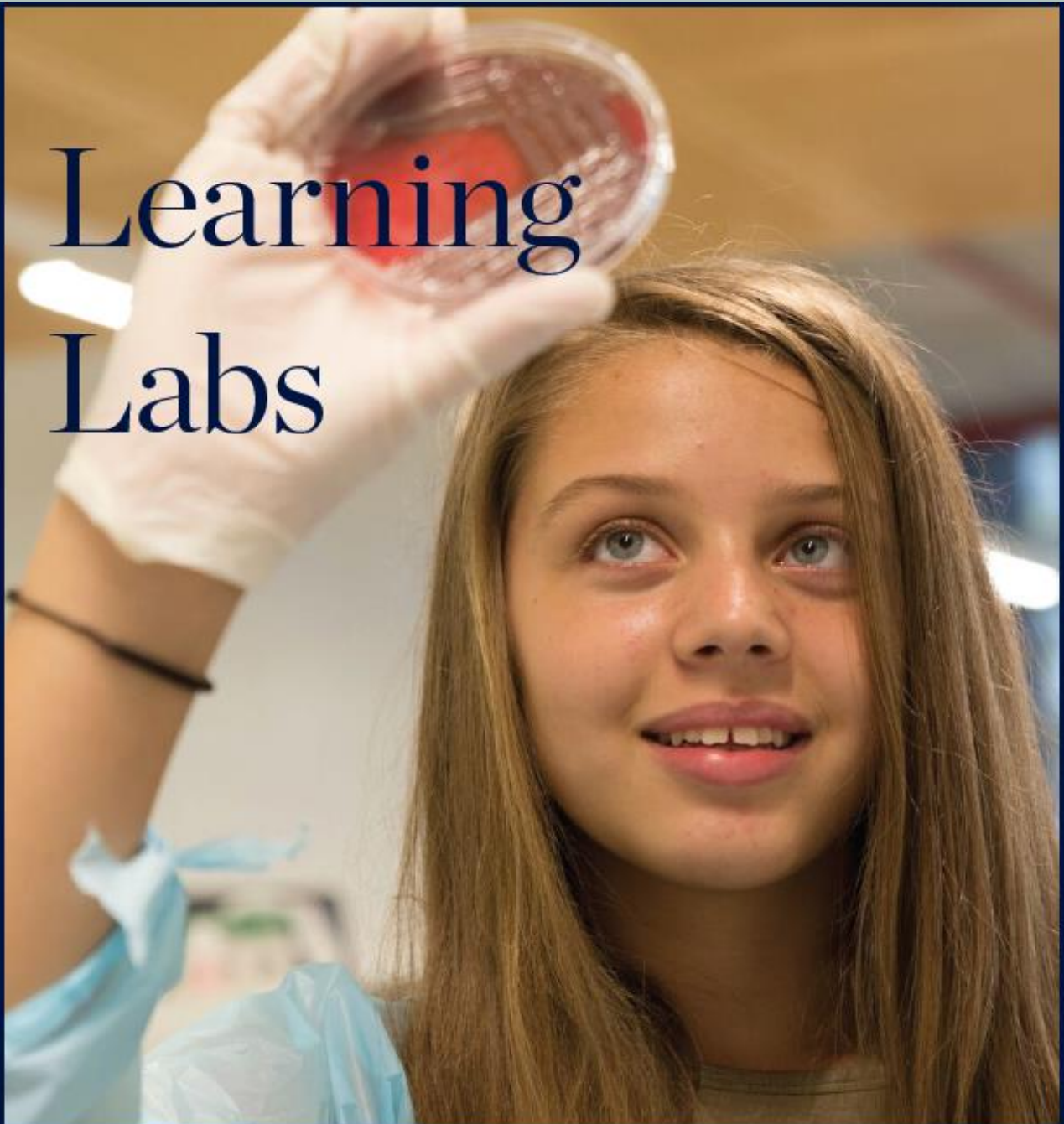
Mr. D Bilbija
Sports Coordinator

Mr. C. Anderson
Deputy Principal

Personalising Education



Learning Labs



JULY 2018

**AN ACADEMIC
ENRICHMENT
PROGRAM FOR
HIGH ACHIEVING
STUDENTS FROM
YEAR 7 TO YEAR 10**

Places for this program fill quickly. Please distribute this information to students as soon as possible to avoid possible disappointment.

**APPLICATIONS CLOSE WEDNESDAY,
30TH MAY 2018**

More information about the workshops on offer and the application process can be found online at uow.info/learninglabs



**UNIVERSITY
OF WOLLONGONG
AUSTRALIA**

Outreach & Pathways

(YEARS 7 TO 10 DURING 2018)

DATE: 17 and 18 July, 2018
LOCATION: University of Wollongong
TIME: 9:00am - 3:30pm
FEE: \$170

(Facial Approximation Workshop - \$180 due to materials)



PROGRAM INFORMATION

Learning Labs is an enrichment program designed for students who are performing in the top 10%- 15% in their area of interest within their peer group, and are seeking a challenging and fun experience during the school holidays. All workshops are held either over one or two days and cover a range of disciplines, presented by teachers with specialist training or a specific interest in gifted education. The workshop content is both rigorous and challenging, and is designed to stimulate the interest and curiosity of the academically gifted. There will be sponsorship places available for some participants- please see more details on how to apply for these places on the website.

WORKSHOPS ON OFFER



Rules vs Laws (Year 7 & 8)

Why are rules and laws important and what is the difference between them?

This workshop introduces foundational concepts, in law, such as, rules versus laws, contracts, and dispute resolution using fun, lively and engaging activities. We will draw on and debate examples from everyday experiences.

Is it possible to have a game without rules, why do we need to wear a seat belt, what are consequences of not wearing one? How do parties settle their disputes? This is where the courts and the justice system come in.



Forensic Art and Facial Reconstruction (Year 7 to 10)

This workshop is an intensive introductory experience in creating a 3D facial reconstruction.

Working in pairs you will use clay to model the individual muscles, glands, fat and skin over a unique human replica skull, all the while learning about the methods used in archaeological and forensic facial reconstructions.

After this workshop you will never look at a person's face the same way again!



Introduction into Virtual Reality Development (Year 9 & 10)

In this workshop, we will be using Unity to create a virtual world of the student's design and allow them to take their first step into using this technology.

Students will work individually and collaboratively to enhance their skills and to learn how to work as a team, coding design, and much more.

By the end of this workshop, students will have a good understanding of how VR is relevant today, and how to use Unity to build a VR project.

A full list of the available workshops to choose from will be posted on the website in May 2018 when applications open. Please note that the program books up quite quickly, so ensure you submit your application as early as possible.

APPLICATION & CONTACT DETAILS

For more detailed workshop descriptions, how to apply, FAQ's, and the online application form, please go to: uow.info/learninglabs

For all other enquiries, please contact the Learning Labs team via:

E: learning-labs@uow.edu.au

P: (02) 4221 5557

Facebook: www.facebook.com/UOWOandP

APPLICATIONS CLOSE WEDNESDAY, 30TH MAY 2018

Concord High School Before and After School Sports (BASS) Program Let's Get Physical! – Term 2, 2018



Dear Parent / Guardian,

The **Before and After School Sports (BASS) Program** is continuing to offer a variety of activities before and after school. Students will have the opportunity to further their interest and develop skills in many sporting activities. These activities will be conducted by specialist coaches who aim to improve the skill levels of each student. The focus of this program is **skill development** as well as fun, fitness and friendship! All skill levels from beginner to advanced will be catered for.

**** Please note:** This term is an **8 week** Sports Coaching Program

**** All activities in the coaching program will commence in Week 3 of Term 2, 2018** (week commencing 15th May 2018)

Each activity has a minimum and maximum number of students. This is designed to ensure small group sizes, optimum individual attention and cost effectiveness.

The supervising coach will take every care of the group. However, your child has some responsibilities and obligations associated with the coaching session, and we assume that your permission also involves an undertaking by your child to act responsibly. Of particular importance:-

- Students must obey the directions of any teacher/supervisor without delay or question
- Students must remain within the area/s designated by supervising staff
- Students must not leave the group to undertake independent activities

Please see over a permission note for your child to sign up for the **8 week program** in the sport of their choice. Please join the Edmodo group online to receive updates, information and/or changes that may take place during the term. Payment of the full term fee should be returned with the permission note to the side office as soon as possible in order to secure a placement. The P&C have kindly donated some money, offering sponsorship to a select number of students who wish to participate in the program, but are unable to due to financial difficulties. If you would like to apply for this sponsorship, please notify the program coordinator.

Ms. Silverine De Silva

BASS Program Coordinator, PDHPE Faculty

Ph: 0408 428 876

Email: silverine.desilva2@det.nsw.edu.au

Edmodo group code: b3ynje



Before and After School Sports (BASS) Program 2018 (8 weeks)



BEFORE SCHOOL PROGRAM

Sport – 069	Code	Day of week	Time	Start date	Venue	Term Fee
Personal Training (Strength & Fitness)	015	Tuesday	7.30 – 8.30am	15/05/2018	CHS – Hall	\$65
Futsal (Indoor Soccer)	007	Wednesday	7.30 – 8.30am	16/05/2018	CHS – Hall	\$65

AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

Sport – 069	Code	Day of week	Time	Start date	Venue	Term Fee
Basketball	020	Tuesday	3.15 – 4.15pm	15/05/2018	CHS – Hall	\$65
Dance	011	Tuesday	3.15 – 4.15pm	15/05/2018	CHS – Theatre	\$65
Soccer (Football)	023	Wednesday	3.15 – 4.15pm	16/05/2018	CHS – Oval	\$65
Netball	020	Wednesday	3.15 – 4.15pm	16/05/2018	CHS – Courts	\$65
Badminton	001	Thursday	3.15 – 4.15pm	17/05/2018	CHS – Hall	\$45
AFL	008	Thursday	3.15 – 4.15pm	17/05/2018	CHS – Oval	\$65

Please tear off and return payment and permission note to the side office as soon as possible.

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Before and After School Sports (BASS) Program – Term 2, 2018



I give permission for (Student's Name) _____ in Year _____ to participate in a specialised coaching program in. I am also aware that my child has some responsibilities and obligations associated with the coaching session, and that my permission also involves an undertaking of my child to act responsibly.

sport code amount start date

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Parent's / Guardian's Name: _____ Parent's / Guardian's Signature: _____ Date _____

Emergency Contact phone number: _____ Email: _____

PLEASE JOIN THE BASS EDMODO GROUP TO RECEIVE REGULAR UPDATES, INFORMATION and POSSIBLE CHANGES THAT MAY OCCUR DURING THE TERM. Group code: b3ynje





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

STUDENT

AWARD

Nazir HAMMOUD

Bronze Merit: Bronze Merit



Upcoming Dates

VARIATIONS TO ROUTINE TERM 2 WEEK 2 7 May – 11 May 2018 WEEK B

7 May <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Taste of TAFE o HSC Engineering 	8 May <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o ICAS Digital Technologies test o Years 9 and 10 Touch Football o Prelim Ancient History 09:45am - 10:35am 	9 May <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Year 11 Ancient History 11:45am - 12:35pm
10 May <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Year 10 Cafe and Hospitality skills o Prefects afternoon tea Riverside Girls HS 	11 May <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o School athletics carnival o Year 10 Wood Tech 	

A LOOK AHEAD 2018 Term 2 Week 3, 4 & 5

A TERM 2 WEEK 3	14 May <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Taste of TAFE o GATS interviews o Prelim Mid Course Exams 	15 May <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o NAPLAN Years 7 & 9 o GATS interviews o Prelim Mid Course Exams 	16 May <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o NAPLAN Years 7 & 9 o GATS interviews o Prefects afternoon tea Burwood GHS o Prelim Mid Course Exams 	17 May <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o NAPLAN Years 7 & 9 o Year 10 Cafe and Hospitality skills o Prelim Mid Course Exams o Prelim Modern History 	18 May <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Year 7 History o Prelim Mid Course Exams
B TERM 2 WEEK 4	21 May <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Taste of TAFE o Year 10 Minimum Standards test- Numeracy and Reading 	22 May <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Debating day 	23 May <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Years 7 and 12 parent teacher night o Year 9 History Elective o Year 10 Geography o HSC Geography o Prelim Engineering 	24 May <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Year 10 Cafe and Hospitality skills 9am - 3pm 	25 May <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o School athletics carnival wet weather day o Nan Tien Temple excursion 9am - 3pm o Prelim Community & Family
A TERM 2 WEEK 5	28 May <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Taste of TAFE o Year 11 Chemistry 	29 May <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o ICAS Science test 	30 May <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Zone cross country o Year 9 Commerce o HSC Society & Culture 	31 May <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Year 10 Cafe and Hospitality skills o Year 9 Geography o Year 10 History o Year 10 Engineering o Year 9 IST 	1 June <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Year 7 Geography o Year 8 History o Prelim Business Studies