



Concord High School **Keeping In Touch** *Respectful Responsible Achieving* **Term 2 Week 4**

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Principals Report

Lunchtime Concert band performance

Thank you to the concert band, Ms Cesta and Mr Solomon for organising the wonderful lunchtime concert band performance. Students and staff were delighted to have the opportunity to be entertained by our talented musicians whilst eating their lunch on Monday.

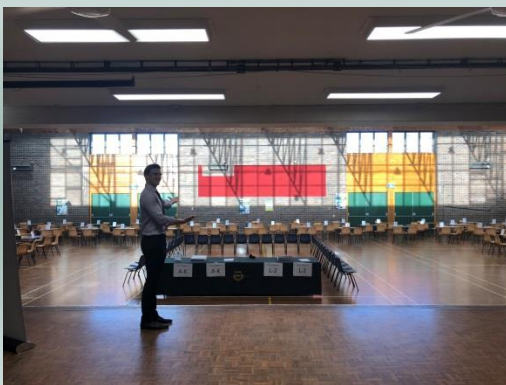


Principals Report continued



Parent Teacher Evening

It was wonderful to have the opportunity to welcome the parents of Year 7 and 12 to the school for the parent teacher evening on Wednesday. The staff at Concord High School welcome the opportunity to meet and work in collaboration and partnership with parents and carers to engage students in learning. The Year 12 reports were handed out on the evening to parents. If parents were not able to attend they will be mailed home shortly. Thank you to Mr Chalmers, Head Teacher Administration who organised the successful event.



The next parent teacher evenings will be held on:

Year 10 & 11 Parent Teacher Night- Monday 25th June

Year 8 & 9 Parent Teacher Night- Wednesday 1st August

Principals Report continued

Student Achievement

Congratulations to Georgia Martin, Year 9 student for being awarded the Harding Miller Education Foundation scholarship at the Public Education Foundation Awards evening this week.



Congratulations to Year 10 student, Mia Singh who was awarded with the Zonta Club of Sydney West Year 10 Citizenship Award 2017-18 at a Dinner and Awards Night on Tuesday 22nd May, 2018 at Bankstown Sports.



**Relieving Principal
Mrs Jody Engisch**



Deputy Principals Report

by Craig Anderson & Fiona Payne

Save the Date

June 4th is Year 10 subject information night for Year 11 2019. 6 to 7.30pm in the school hall.

June 13th is Year 10 and 11 vaccinations. Expect to see information for this home soon.

June 25th is Years 10 and 11 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 runs 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. Please encourage your Year 12 student to bring their lunch and absorb some future focused information.

YEAR 10

Your young person should now be thinking about the subjects they might be interested in studying in 2019.

On Wednesday 30 May, periods 5 and 6, a session will be held in the Theatrette for all Year 10 classes to provide information on the process and the subjects available.

Monday 4 June 6:00pm till 7:30pm there will be an information session for parents and students.

Students will then have until Wednesday 13 June to complete their choices.

Interviews for all students about their final subjects will be held during Week 9.

Relieving Principal
Mrs Jody Engisch



Deputy Principals Report continued

by Craig Anderson & Fiona Payne

HARDING MILLER EDUCATION FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP

Congratulations to **Georgia Martin** of Year 9, winner of a Harding Miller Education Foundation Scholarship. This prestigious award was presented at the annual Public Education Foundation awards night at the Sydney Town Hall this week.



ZONTA CITIZENSHIP AWARD

Congratulats to Mia Singh of Year 11 on her Zonta Club Citizenship Award.



Creative & Performing Arts

by Vanessa Cesta

Harmony Day Poster Competition Regional Winners and Highly Commended

The Harmony Day Poster Competition is an annual initiative open to all primary and secondary students across NSW and ACT. Students are encouraged to visually articulate their interpretation of the 2018 theme –Growing Together In Harmony.

Congratulations to Jane Kim in Year 7 who was the Secondary Schools Regional Winner for South West Sydney. Jane will receive \$150 at an awards ceremony in September at Parliament house.

Kayoung Kim in Year 9 was awarded Highly Commended in the South West Sydney Region for her work.

The prize giving Function will be at the Theatrette at Parliament house on the 20th September at 2:30pm the State winners will be announced at that time. Congratulations to both students for their efforts!





Education

Anti-bullying

Parents and carers

Online bullying fact sheet



What is online bullying?

Online bullying – or cyber-bullying – is engaging in bullying behaviour using technology such as the internet or mobile devices. Online bullying is different from other forms of bullying several ways:

- It is more likely to happen outside school.
- Material can be shared quickly and long after the first incident.
- It can happen anytime, day or night.
- It is more difficult to defend yourself or get away.

What does online bullying look like?

Online bullying may include sending abusive messages, posting hurtful or threatening material on social media, imitating or excluding others online and making inappropriate comments on posts or pictures.

How do I know if my child is being bullied online?

The following behaviours may indicate your child is upset by something happening online:

- being hesitant about going online
- seeming nervous when an instant message, text message or email appears
- being visibly distressed after using a computer or mobile device
- suddenly avoiding the internet
- closing a laptop or hiding a mobile device when others enter the room.

How can I keep my child safe online?

Be aware of the age restrictions for the sites and applications your child wants to use, and remind them not to share their passwords or personal information with others.

Talk with them about how they use the internet and mobile devices and understand the privacy settings. Make sure they know they can tell you or another trusted adult if they are being bullied online.

What can I do if my child is bullied online?

There are lots of things you can help your child to do if they are being bullied online:

- remind your child not to respond or retaliate
- keep a record of any incidents of online bullying for example take screenshots
- block or delete the user who is bullying
- remind your child to change their privacy settings
- contact the service provider – they can help to block messages and calls
- report the bullying.

How to report online bullying?

Keep records or screenshots of calls or messages that are offensive or hurtful.

If the bullying is related to school, contact the principal to report what has happened and work together to resolve the issue.

Call the police if your child is physically threatened, and report serious online bullying behaviour to the Office of the eSafety Commissioner.

Useful websites:

<https://antibullying.nsw.gov.au>
www.esafety.gov.au
www.bullyingnoway.com.au
www.kidshelpline.com.au



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Year 10- HSC Minimum Standards Testing

The first round of testing for attaining the HSC Minimum Standards took place on Monday 21st May. Testing of both Reading and Numeracy was completed and most students were successful in reaching the required level. For those students who were absent on the day, further testing will be conducted on Tuesday 29th May for both tests.

Students who did not meet the standard will be able to resit the Reading and/ or Numeracy tests in Term 4. As well as developing their skills in class, students are encouraged to attend the Numeracy and Literacy Clubs in the school. The test for writing will be conducted in term 3. A practice test for writing will take place beforehand to allow both students and teachers to evaluate the readiness for the test.

Further opportunities are provided in Yrs 11 and 12 to attain the standard. Any parent or student with any concerns or questions can contact me at the school

Mr Cheeseman- HSC Minimum Standards Coordinator
English Head Teacher

Debating Day at Concord

In preparation for the Premier's Debating Challenge competition, the school has again held its annual debating day on Tuesday 22nd May, to develop our students' skills and confidence. The day was led by Ethan Davies from year 11, who had represented the school last year at the state regional debating championships. He shared his experiences and his depth of knowledge to an enthusiastic group of students from Yrs 7-10.



The skills sessions were followed up with a showcase debate between Yrs 9 & 10- with the topic "That universities should have a quota of 50% females in STEM courses." Year 9 were affirmative and Yr 10 adopted the negative stance. In a very close debate, Yr 9 edged out the talented opposition. In giving his decision, the adjudicator also commented on the impressive talents of our debaters. The Yr 9 team consisted of Ned Arnold, James Angelopoulos, Georgia Martin and Jarrad Koziollek. The Yr 10s were proudly represented by Nourah Mangerah, Jack Bakker, Ava Linton and Liam Dowley. A wonderful event was capped off with a lunch supplied by the school. Who knew that debating could make you so hungry.

Mr Cheeseman

Congratulations to all those students involved in the Debating Day

Yr 7	Alana Al Saadi, Deena Northridge, Keira Will, Dakota Thuell ,Amber Groenescheij, Isabella Hogan
Yr 8	Neva Milkulic, Anna Dey, Thomas Abbot, Ryan Chow, Sienna Davison, Lara Sarkis
Yr 9	Ned Arnold, James Angelopoulos, DJ Kim, Liam Davies, Jeremy Lee, Findlay MacDonald, Georgia Martin, Jarod Koziolek
Yr 10	Nourah Mangerah, Alex Deller, Jack Bakker, Ava Linton and Liam Dowley
Yr 11	Ethan Davies



Humans of Concord High School

A pivotal aspect of Concord High School is the culture of acceptance that we have established in every part of our school community. Starting a new journey is never easy and there is a lot to learn from the surroundings as well as our peers.

Mr Morrissey (HSIE Faculty) discusses how he has adapted to the new environment and how Concord High School has assisted him in overcoming many of his difficulties and anxieties as a new teacher in the school:

“One of the many things that I have learnt in my time at Concord High School is the value of the motto ‘Concordia’, which resonates in every aspect of the school environment, students and staff. The students at this school have developed a great atmosphere of being kind and helpful towards each other and other year groups. This is evident when looking at the Year 7 cohort right through to the graduating Year 12 class where student collaboration can be seen in all extra-curricular tasks that are run at the school. The positive rapport and relationships that students build with teachers has also been an invaluable experience for me as this kind of trust and connection cannot always be seen in other educational settings.

Whilst I have worked in various schools around Sydney and in the United Kingdom, another important value that is immediately noticeable at Concord High School is the collective focus that is placed on the students’ learning and academic capabilities, as well as their sporting and extra-curricular commitments. To me, this shows a school that takes a holistic approach to their teaching and learning and a community in which participation and involvement are highly encouraged and commended for all students. It is this positive and harmonious environment that makes me proud to be working at Concord High School.”

Mr Morrissey’s sentiment is a reflection of the importance of harmony and recognising various students and teaching achievements. It further reflects the warm, harmonious and welcoming environment that we have in accepting new teachers at our school.

Written and photographed by Fiona Dieu, Vignesh Murthy and Nicole Yu (Prefects)



**Mr Morrissey
HSIE teacher**



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Careers

Calling out to all Yr 12 Students!!

CHECKLIST:

1. Please ensure you are checking our Careers Website daily
www.concordhighschoolcareers.com
2. Check your email for the Careers Newsletter which will be sent to you weekly.
** There are also hard copies of this up in the JLC Careers area.
3. Please ensure you are checking this Careers area in the JLC at least once a week.

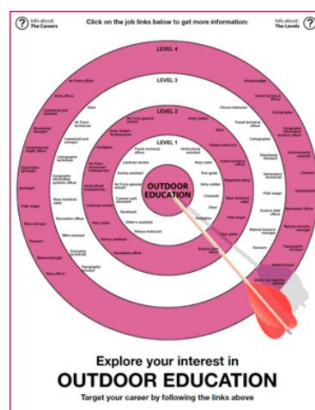
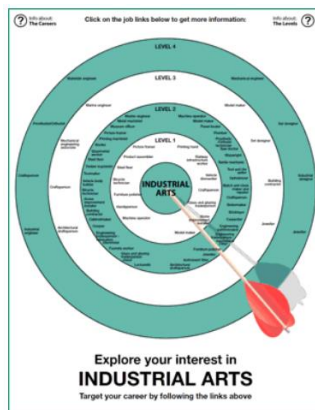
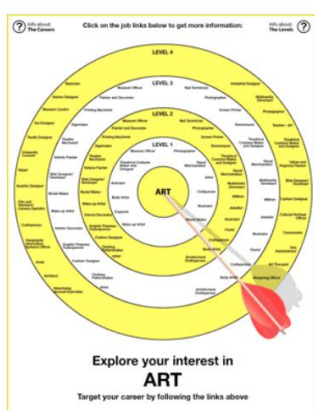
*You are what you do,
not what you say
you'll do*
(Carl Jung)

Thank you for those who attended the ATAR Club last Friday and we hope you enjoyed the talk from UNSW.

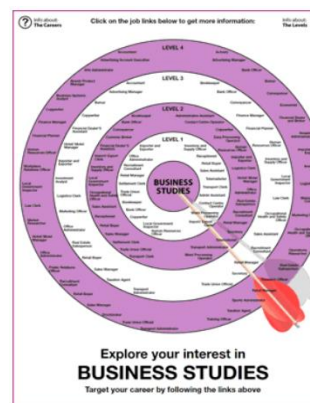
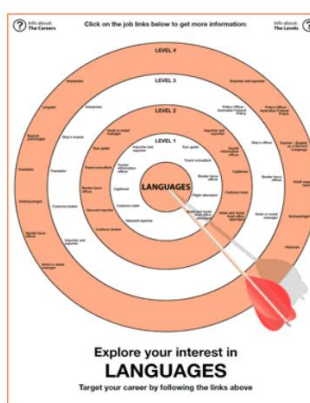
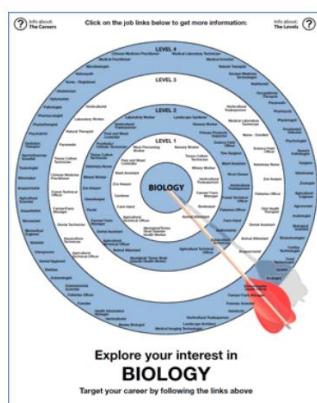
Career Targets

What is your favourite subject and how can it help you choose a career?

Visit our school Careers Website and under the "For Students" menu you will find 33 different Career Targets that look like the ones below. Just click on any job or career you may wish to explore.



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Career Me App

CareerMe is a free app for all Apple and Android smartphones and tablets to help young people plan career paths and find job opportunities.

It provides up-to-date occupational information and highlights the industries where skills are most needed.

CareerMe collates information on different industries and occupations including job descriptions, training requirements, training locations and available jobs.

See www.careerme.com.au



Ms Peoples/ Ms Milligan



Concord High School

Stanley Street, Concord
Tel: 9745 3777 Fax: 9744 2683

Date: 11/04/2018

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Concord High School is in the initial stages of organising a school trip to Japan for ALL students of Japanese during the 2019 April holidays. At this stage it is envisaged 3 members of staff will accompany the students.

This excursion is open to all students studying Japanese in **2019**, including Year 12, however, it should be noted that students are expected to complete any school work due prior to or after the trip, and that this trip cannot be used as a reason for an extension or missing a task. Students will be responsible for their scholarly commitments and should consider the possible impact of this trip on their studies.

The trip will be over 13 nights and 14 days and will consist of some high school visits and travel to and sightseeings in Kyoto, Osaka, Kanazawa, Hiroshima and Tokyo.


The cost is envisaged to be around \$3950 and will cover airfare, hotel accommodations, breakfasts in hotels, and seven day Japan Rail Pass, a one day Tokyo Disneyland Passport. Students will need money for other meals, Local transports which are not covered by the Japan Rail Pass, incidentals and personal spending.

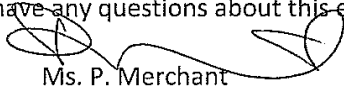
Approval for this overseas excursion has been granted by the Department of Education, subject to obtaining and following the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade advice on safety procedures prior to departure.

I am sure you will agree this is an outstanding opportunity for your child to experience Japanese culture first-hand while building their language skills. It will be of great benefit to your child and will have a positive impact on his/her future.

If you are interested in this opportunity for your child, please fill in the return slip at the bottom of this page and return to Ms. H. Yuan by **Friday 18th May, 2018**. Please note there is no commitment required at this stage and that returning this form is only expressing interest, not committing to the trip. A parent meeting will be held in Term 2, 2018 to discuss the excursion in greater detail and organise the initial deposit to secure definite bookings for flights and accommodation.

Please do not hesitate to contact the school if you have any questions about this excursion.


Ms. H. YUAN
Teacher of Japanese


Ms. P. Merchant
Head Teacher Languages

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JAPAN TRIP 2019 – expression of interest

Student's name: _____

Current year: _____

Parent's signature: _____

Date: _____



ALL ENTRIES CLOSE ON MONDAY 14TH MAY 2018!!!

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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



ALL ENTRIES CLOSE ON MONDAY 14TH MAY 2018!!!

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



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

BEFORE SCHOOL PROGRAM

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.

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

Ethan DAVIES	Extra-Curricular Participation: Debating
Nourah MANGERAH	Extra-Curricular Participation: Debating
Liam DOWLEY	Extra-Curricular Participation: Debating
Jack BAKKER	Extra-Curricular Participation: Debating
Jarrad KOZIOLLEK	Extra-Curricular Participation: Debating
Georgia MARTIN	Extra-Curricular Participation: Debating
James ANGELOPOULOS	Extra-Curricular Participation: Debating
Ned ARNOLD	Extra-Curricular Participation: Debating
Ava LINTON	Extra-Curricular Participation: Debating
Ethan DAVIES	Head Teacher Award: Head Teacher



Upcoming Dates

VARIATIONS TO ROUTINE TERM 2 WEEK 5 28 May – 1 June 2018 WEEK A

28 May <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Taste of TAFE o Year 11 Chemistry 9:00am-3:00pm o Online Music Orchestra 9am - 09:45am o Year 10 Chinese Written 08:55am - 10:35am o Year 8 Chinese 1 Speaking 1:15pm - 2:05pm 	29 May <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o ICAS Science Test o Year 11 Debating 9:00am-3:00pm o Year 10 Japanese Speaking o HSC Chinese & Literature o Year 7 Chinese 2 Written 10:55am - 12:35pm 	30 May <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Zone Cross Country o Year 10 Subject Selection Talks 1:15pm-3:00pm o Year 9 Commerce o HSC Society & Culture o Prelim Engineering o Year 8 Chinese 1 Speaking 1:15pm - 2:05pm o Year 10 Subject Selection Talks 1:15pm - 3pm
31 May <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Year 10 Cafe and Hospitality Skills 9:00am-3:00pm o Year 9 Geography o Year 10 History o Year 10 Engineering o Year 9 IST o Year 7 French o Year 7 Italian o Year 7 Japanese 2 o Year 7 Japanese 1 o Year 8 French o Year 8 Italian o Year 8 R, V, W, Y Science o Year 11 Mathematics 08am - 09am o Year 9 Photography 	1 June <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Year 7 Geography o Year 8 History o Prelim Business Studies o Year 10 Electronics o Year 10 Japanese Writing o Year 8 R, V, W, Y Science o Year 8 B, G, O, P Science o Year 10 Chinese Speaking 09:45am - 10:35am 	

A LOOK AHEAD 2018 Term 2 Week 6, 7 & 8

B TERM 2 WEEK 6	4 June <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Taste of TAFE o Year 10-11 Subject selection night o Year 9 History o HSC Chemistry task 3 09am - 3pm 	5 June <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Year 12 Bio Skills Assessment 9am - 10:45am 	6 June <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Zone cross country wet weather date o Year 10 Science TBC o HSC Business Studies o Prelim Ancient History 11:45am - 12:35pm 	7 June <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Year 10 Cafe and Hospitality skills 09am - 3pm o Year 10 History o Prelim Industrial Tech o HSC General Maths 2 11:45am-12:35pm 	8 June <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Year 10 Visual Design 09am - 1:30pm
A TERM 2 WEEK 7	June 11 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Queen's Birthday o Taste of TAFE 	June 12 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Year 7 Science O o Year 12 Mathematics 10:55am - 11:45am 	June 13 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Year 8 Visual Arts o Year 7 Science R o Year 7 Science G o Year 7 Science V & W o Year 7 Science Y o Year 12 Economics task 3 o Years 10 and 11 Vaccinations o ICAS Spelling Test 	June 14 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o ICAS Writing test o Year 10 Cafe and Hospitality skills 09am - 3pm o Prelim Legal Studies o Prelim Society & Culture o HSC Economics o Year 9 Food Tech o HSC English Advanced & Standard-Speeches ongoing o Year 7 Science B o Year 8 Visual Arts o Year 7 Science P o Year 7 Science Y 	June 15 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Year 10 Commerce o Year 9 Textiles o HSC English Advanced & Standard-Speeches ongoing o Year 10 History Elective o Year 7 Science B o Year 7 Science G o Year 7 Science V & W o Year 7 Science P
B TERM 2 WEEK 8	June 18 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Zone Athletics o Taste of TAFE o Year 10 ISST o HSC English Advanced & Standard – Speeches ongoing o Year 9 PASS, P1&2 o HSC Extension 1 Mathematics 9:00am-9:45am 	June 19 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o P&C Meeting 7:00pm-8:30pm o Year 9 History o HSC English Advanced & Standard – Speeches ongoing o Year 10 Drama 	June 20 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o HSC Ancient History o HSC English Advanced & Standard – Speeches ongoing o Year 7 French o Year 7 Italian o Year 11 English EALD Task 11:45am-12:35pm 	June 21 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Year 10 Café and Hospitality Skills 9:00am-3:00pm o Hospitality Service Period 10:55am-3:00pm o Prelim Economics o Prelim Modern History o Year 9 Engineering o Year 9 Drama o Year 8 French o Year 8 Italian o HSC Beginners HSC PDHPE o Prelim PDHPE 	June 22 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Regional Cross Country o Hospitality Service Period 9:00am-10:55am o HSC Industrial Tech o HSC Community & Family o Prelim Textiles o Year 7 Technology o Year 8 Technology o Year 11 Economics Task 9:00am-9:45am

