



Concord High School **Keeping In Touch** *Respectful Responsible Achieving* **Term 2 Week 6**

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Principals Report

I would like to wish students and their families a relaxing and enjoyable long weekend.

Visit from Maria Serafim Director, Educational Leadership, Strathfield Network

The staff and students of Concord High School were very excited to host a visit from our new Educational Leadership Director, Maria Serafim on Friday. Ms Serafim will be working very closely with the Strathfield network of schools including Concord High. During her visit on Friday she met with all of the staff and visited various classrooms. She had a wonderful time engaging with staff and students and hearing from teachers, leaders and students about all of the amazing things that Concord High School has to offer. She is looking forward to collaborating further with the staff and students of Concord High School in the future.



Principals Report continued



Japan Cultural Tour

Mrs Yuan, Ms Merchant and Mr Stewart are in the process of planning and organising a Japanese Cultural Tour to occur in the April school holidays in 2019. Last Thursday an evening was held to provide information about the tour which was very well attended by interested students and their parents. If you would like to find out any information about the visit please contact Ms Hui Yuan, LOTE faculty.

VET Hospitality

The Year 12 VET Hospitality students engaged in the service of a three course meal to the very lucky executive staff on Tuesday during the executive meeting. The students made pasta from scratch and not only prepared the food but served the meals as well. An outstanding effort by all students and special mention of their amazing teacher Ms Easterbrook and the other staff in the Technological and Applied Studies faculty who supported her during this assessment task. The executive rated the preparation and presentation of all of the courses outstanding and are more than happy to be taste testers for future assessment tasks.



Principals Report continued

Lucas Gardens School collaboration

The Year 10 Commerce students are currently engaging in fortnightly visits to Lucas Gardens School to assist the teachers in supporting and mentoring the students. This has been a very rewarding experience for both the students of Concord High and Lucas Gardens Schools. TAS students visited the school this week to analyse the needs of each classroom and design up special stands to support the specific needs for each student and assist them in engaging in learning. Concord High School is very excited about this new collaboration with Lucas Gardens School.

Mrs Jody Engisch
Relieving Principal



Deputy Principals Report

by Craig Anderson & Fiona Payne

Save the date

June 13th is Year 10 and 11 vaccinations. Ensure that your student has returned the note to their Year Adviser.

June 25th is Years 10 and 11 parent teacher night.

June 29th Prefect and SRC induction assembly.

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.

Japan Cultural tour 2019

Thank you to those families that attended the information evening with Ms Yuan and Mr Stewart on Thursday 7th June. Payment on line is now available to pay the deposit by the 22 June. Payment name Japan Trip 2019



Deputy Principals Report continued

Congratulations Jason Baena-Tan Plain English Speaking Award State Semi Finalist

We would like to recognise Jason Baena-Tan of Year 12 on his outstanding participation in the Plain English Speaking Award. Jason recently competed in the regional final at the Arts Unit in Lewisham. The topic of his 8 minute speech was A culture of learnt helplessness. Jason also had to create and deliver a 4 minute speech on an impromptu topic. As the winner of the regional final he now competes at the state semi-final. Some of the schools represented that Jason was victorious over include James Ruse, Baulkham Hills and the Kings School. Mr White will take a group of students to the state semi-final to cheer Jason on. Congratulations Jason!



YEAR 10 SUBJECT SELECTION

It was wonderful to see the huge turn-out in the wet and cold for the Subject Selection Information evening. We trust that you found the event helpful. Your student should now be ready to select their subjects for Year 11 2019 if they have not already done so.

Subject choices should be done online using the codes emailed to families. If you do not have your code, or need it reissued, please see Mrs Payne.

Students have until Wednesday 13 June to complete their choices and the printed and signed choice sheet should be placed in the pink tray in the Side Office.

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

Maths News

Since its inauguration more than five years ago, the robotics club in the Mathematics Faculty, has provided a great opportunity for young students to develop their problem solving and team working skills while interacting with each other in a safe and friendly environment. Most participants are from year 7 and some year 8 who continued from the previous year. Working with robots, especially Lego robots have inspired their interest in learning, such as Mathematics, Science and technology and coding has given them an opportunity to lay a basic foundation to develop AI skills in the future. Some year 7 students who have never programmed before are able to program a robot to perform as a driverless vehicle. Students in the robotics club have the privilege of participating in interesting activities organised by the club, such as an incursion when a famous humanoid robot was invited to visit the school and excursion every year to compete in the FIRST Lego League Tournament in Macquarie University. Students enjoyed the challenge and the fun while spending many hours building and programming Lego robots.



Maths News continued

Computational and Algorithmic Thinking (CAT) competition

Well done to the 22 students who participated in the Computational and Algorithmic Thinking (CAT) competition on the 27th March 2018. The competition is a one-hour problem-solving competition which seeks to identify computer programming potential—something which students might not normally have an opportunity to demonstrate.

The competition employs a mixture of multiple-choice and integer answers, and incorporates unique ‘three stage tasks’ that encourage students to develop informal algorithms and apply them to test data of increasing size or complexity.

Congratulations to the following students who have received the following:

Year 7	Isabella Hogan – Credit
Year 8	Sean Chang - Distinction
Year 9	Jesse Callander - Distinction
	Cameron Will - Distinction
	Sam Hogan - Distinction
	Medwin Lei - Credit
	Adrian Pilot - Credit
Year 11	Alexander Darling - Distinction
Year 12	Na Zhu - Credit

Sports News

All Schools Touch Football State Finals

The combined year 9 and 10 boys touch football team that finished second in the NSW All Schools competition in the Parramatta region, were given a wildcard entry into the State Finals. This was held at The Kingsway Playing Fields in Penrith on Friday the 1st of June. There were 20 teams from all over the state in the competition.

Concord HS was placed in a pool with St Edward's College, Tweed River HS, Tomaree HS and St Dominic's College. The boys were very competitive; only narrowly going down in each game. They should be very proud of their effort, performance and teamwork. The players of the day as voted by staff and students were Hayden De Gioia (year 9), Will Costello (year 9) and Vincent Fedele (year 10).

Many thanks to PDHPE teacher Jessica Stojkovski, student helpers Vani Sorovi and Martina Latini-Privitera and parents Ms Kwarn Marsden and Mrs Franca Settineri for your support and assistance on the day.

Miss A Verniquet
PDHPE Teacher

Team List

Year 10

Maurice Carbone
Lachlan De Gioia
Vincent Fedele
Nazir Hammound
Cameron Mills
Nick Kennedy
Cainan Talisitana
Andrew Yee

Year 9

Dylan Castrogiovanni
Will Costelloe
Hayden De Gioia
Julian Latini-Privitera
Daniel Settineri
Jonah Steele





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

STUDENT

Shehab KANDIL

AWARD

Head Teacher Award: Head Teacher



Upcoming Dates

VARIATIONS TO ROUTINE TERM 2 WEEK 7 11 June 2018 – 15 June 2018 WEEK A

June 11 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Queen's Birthday Taste of TAFE 	June 12 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 7 Science Year 12 Mathematics 10:55am - 11:45am 	June 13 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 8 Visual Arts Year 7 Science R Year 7 Science G Year 7 Science V & W Year 7 Science Y Year 12 Economics task 3 Years 10 and 11 Vaccinations ICAS Spelling Test
June 14 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ICAS Writing test Year 10 Cafe and Hospitality skills 09am - 3pm Prelim Legal Studies Prelim Society & Culture HSC Economics Year 9 Food Tech HSC English Advanced & Standard-Speeches ongoing Year 7 Science B Year 8 Visual Arts Year 7 Science P Year 7 Science Y VoR- Year 10 Drama 	June 15 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 10 Commerce Year 9 Textiles HSC English Advanced & Standard-Speeches ongoing Year 10 History Elective Year 7 Science B Year 7 Science G Year 7 Science V & W Year 7 Science P Assembly senior. Junior year meetings 	

A LOOK AHEAD 2018 Term 2 Week 8 & 9

B TERM 2 WEEK 8	June 18 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Zone Athletics Taste of TAFE Year 10 ISST HSC English Advanced & Standard – Speeches ongoing Year 9 PASS, P1&2 HSC Extension 1 Mathematics 9:00am-9:45am 	June 19 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> P&C Meeting 7:00pm-8:30pm Year 9 History HSC English Advanced & Standard – Speeches ongoing Year 10 Drama 	June 20 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> HSC Ancient History HSC English Advanced & Standard – Speeches ongoing Year 7 French Task Year 7 Italian Task Year 11 English EALD Task 11:45am-12:35pm 	June 21 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 10 Café and Hospitality Skills 9:00am-3:00pm Hospitality Service Period 10:55am-3:00pm Prelim Economics Prelim Modern History Year 9 Engineering Task Year 9 Drama Task Year 8 French Task Year 8 Italian Task HSC Beginners HSC PDHPE Prelim PDHPE 	June 22 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regional Cross Country Hospitality Service Period 9:00am-10:55am HSC Industrial Tech HSC Community & Family Prelim Textiles Year 7 Technology Task Year 8 Technology Year 11 Economics Task 9:00am-9:45am
A TERM 2 WEEK 9	June 25 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prelim Ancient History Assessment Task HSC English Extension 1 Assessment Task Year 10 Textiles Assessment Task Year 10 History Elective Assessment Task Year 10 PDHPE Assessment Task Year 9 PDHPE Assessment Task Year 7 PDHPE all week various periods Year 12 Legal Studies Assessment Task 	June 26 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 7 English Assessment Task Year 10 English Assessment Task Year 8 R, V, W, Y PDHPE Assessment Task 	June 27 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> HSC History Extension Assessment Task Year 7 Music Assessment Task Year 9 Visual Design Assessment Task Year 10 Music Assessment Task Year 8 B, G, O, P Assessment Task PDHPE Assessment Task 	June 28 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> HSC Legal Studies Assessment Task Year 9 English Assessment Task Prelim Food Tech Assessment Task Year 9 Graphics Assessment Task Year 7 Music Assessment Task Year 9 Music Assessment Task Year 10 Music Assessment Task Prelim Music 1 HSC Music 1 Assessment Task Year 10 Geography Assessment Task 	June 29 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 7 Geography Assessment Task Year 8 Geography Assessment Task Year 8 History Assessment Task Prelim Food Tech Assessment Task Year 7 Music Assessment Task Year 10 Music Assessment Task

