



## Concord High School **Keeping In Touch** *Respectful Responsible Achieving* **Term 1 Week 5**

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# Principal's Report

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

### **Open Night – Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March (5:30pm – 7:30pm)**

Next Tuesday is an opportunity for parents who are considering enrolment at Concord High either into Year 7 in 2021 or 2022 to take a tour of the school, see our great facilities, meet our wonderful teaching staff, hear about our innovative curriculum and see how we are making sure that every student and staff member at Concord High School is known, valued and cared for within a context of high expectations.

I am pleased to advise our Concord Community that Ms Mary Anne Snewin and Ms Tanaya Hempstead have been appointed as the Year Advisers for Year 7 – 2021. Both Mary Anne and Tanaya have visited many of our feeder Primary Schools this week and met many of our prospective new students for next year. If you are currently a member of our school community please pass on the open night information to family and friends.



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## **P&C Comedy For a Cause Night – Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> March**

I would like to draw the attention of all our community members to this upcoming event. This is the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual comedy night that has been hosted by our P&C and follows on from a very entertaining and successful night in 2019. There are still a limited number of tickets available for sale and the funds raised will be dedicated to increasing the number of classrooms in the school that are air-conditioned. I look forward to seeing many of you there for a great night of entertainment that also supports our school.

## **Senior Study Centre**

This year the school has refocused our approach towards the use of the Senior Study Centre. We have employed two Academic Coaches (Mr Daniel White and Ms Georgia Karamanos) to support Year 12 students who have study periods on their timetables. Both Daniel and Georgia are assisting students with study techniques, monitoring students with N-Award warnings, assisting students with organisation and assessment task completion and generally ensuring that time in the senior study centre is maximised and that students are achieving to their full potential.

It is our expectations that Year 12 students will prepare and pack for a study lesson exactly the same as any other lesson, with the materials and resources they require to maximise their time and take the most out of this opportunity.

Until next fortnight  
Victor Newby

Principal



# Deputy Principal's Report

Jody Engisch, Craig Anderson & Danka Milinovic

## Important dates for Term 1

- Week 6 **Monday March 2** Zone swimming carnival  
**Friday March 6-** Year 7 first round of public vaccinations.
- Week 7 **Wednesday March 11** School photo day
- Week 8 **Friday March 20-** National day of action against bullying
- Week 9 **Tuesday March 24** Regional swimming  
**Wednesday March 25** School cross country- competitors only
- Week 10 **Wednesday April 1** Years 7 and 11 parent teacher night 4-7pm school hall  
**Wednesday April 1 and Thursday April 2** Combined HS swimming
- Week 11 **Thursday April 9.** Last day of term 1.

## School Photos

School photos are on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> march. Students are able to place an order online (see attached document) or collect a payment envelope (cash or cheque) to return on the day of photographs. Sibling photographs are ordered via the library.

All students are photographed for student ID cards. Your student is required to hold their card as they are used for borrowing equipment and resources from the library. They are also used for signing in at the side office for both toilet and late passes.

## Uniform donations

Please consider donating any school uniform items to the Side Office at school. We regularly supply uniform to students in need and your generosity makes this an easy process. Simply ask your student to bring any donated uniform to the Side Office.

## Year 7 class mentors

For any enquiries call the front office and ask to speak to the class mentor of each of the Year 7 classes and they will call you back when possible and assist direct your enquiry or provide information.

- 7B Ms Ngo in the Mathematics staffroom
- 7C Mr Morrissey in the History staffroom
- 7G Mrs Laggis in the Mathematics staffroom
- 7O Mr Galea in the Science staffroom
- 7P Mr Paling in the Geography staffroom
- 7R Mrs Slater in the Science staffroom
- 7V Mr Shum in the Mathematics staffroom
- 7W Mrs Prescott in the History staffroom
- 7Y Ms Snewin in the English staffroom

## Pick Up and Drop off in Stanley Street

As you are aware the traffic in Stanley Street is congested by cars and buses, to ensure student safety please abide by all road rules including No Stopping in Bus Zones, Driveways and no double parking.





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## Year 7 Camp

Most families will have already seen many photos taken at the Year 7 Camp. Below is a selection that some of the staff have taken.

Starting with the most awesome group of Year 10 Peer Support leaders. Followed by some photos from the Survivor challenge activity.





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## The Concord High School String Ensemble

It was with great pleasure that I was able to listen to the rehearsal of the string ensemble on Wednesday morning this week. The talent that was on display during the rehearsal was outstanding. Thank you to Mr Jobson for your support of this ensemble. If your student plays a string instrument be sure to have them discuss what Concord HS can offer to develop this talent.



# CAPA News

## Instrumental Ensembles Reminders

### Open Night Tuesday 3 March 5:30 - 7:30

- Concert Band and String Ensemble will be performing at the upcoming open night.
- **Arrival time for students in these ensembles is 5:00 pm**
- Students to wear full school uniform and bring their music and instruments.

A permission note will be available on the Instrumental ensembles google classroom. If your child is a member of these ensembles and has not yet given parents a note, please print one off and return permission slip to Mr Jobson or Ms Cesta in Common 1

### Instrumental Ensembles permission notes

All permission notes for current and upcoming performances this year will be handed in hard copy directly to students as well as uploaded to the instrument ensembles google classroom. Parents wishing to gain access to the google classroom can do so via their child's department email address. Students who have not yet joined are to obtain the code from Mr Jobson.

### Symphonia Jubilata

Any students wishing to join Symphonia Jubilata are to refer to the registration flyer in this newsletter.

A reminder that students wanting to join this ensemble are to maintain membership of a CHS ensemble.



The flyer features a photograph of students in a band ensemble playing trumpets. To the right of the photo, the text reads: 'SYMPHONIA JUBILATE Community Through Music'. Below this, a quote is attributed to Henrich Heine: 'Where words leave off, music begins'. At the bottom, it lists 'SJ Primo | SJ Secondo | SJ Pizzicato'. The top right corner of the flyer has a logo for 'Symphonia Jubilata' with the tagline 'Community Through Music'.





# Science News

## Year 7 Forensic science project launch

Some of our Year 7 STEM classes participated in a crime scene investigations (CSI) workshop as part of their integrated science, maths and technology project for forensic science. Students engaged in hands on activities to learn about evidence collected from crime scenes, including DNA, fingerprinting, blood type analysis, hair and fibre analysis and soil analysis. These experiences enabled students to make observations, inferences, predictions and conclusions.

The forensic science project will run for the rest of Term 1 and will be conducted in partnership with the University of Sydney. The project will involve science, maths and coding activities.



# Concord High School News

Google have launched a feature called Google Guardian which allows parents/carers to sign up for daily or weekly email summaries of the Google Classroom activity. These email summaries provide details such as

- Any tasks from the previous week that has not been completed.
- All tasks for the forthcoming week.
- Any other announcements and grades from tasks that have been marked and entered into Google Classroom.

All classes at our school uses Google Classroom to set work tasks for students and these email summaries can be useful for parents/carers to have conversations with their child about their learning.

To sign up to Google Classroom Guardian Email Summaries, please complete the form at <https://forms.gle/V35485WNwoTWrn6F6> . If you have more than one child, please complete a separate form for each child. Please complete the form by **Friday 27 March 2020**.

If you sign up using your Google account, you will be able to choose to receive daily or weekly email summaries. If you do not have a Google account, you will receive weekly email summaries. To sign up for a free Google account, and for further details on Google Classroom Guardian Email Summaries, please see [https://support.google.com/edu/classroom/answer/6388136?hl=en&ref\\_topic=7175351](https://support.google.com/edu/classroom/answer/6388136?hl=en&ref_topic=7175351)





## **Enrolments for 2020 now open for Symphonia Jubilate**

**Enrol online at [www.symphoniajubilate.com](http://www.symphoniajubilate.com)**

Get the full orchestral experience in a friendly community environment

12 rehearsals a year with 2 concerts and more opportunities for ensemble playing at the Opera House and Town Hall

**SJ Recorder Ensemble starting for the first in time in 2020**

**Primo (High school)**

**Secondo (Primary school)**

**Pizzicato (Year 1-3 strings) orchestras**

### **"Music through Community"**

**All enquires**

**Margaret Coote**

Orchestra Manager

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# Welfare News

Concord High School is very excited to be participating in an Australia wide world first study to investigate the power of mobile apps for preventing Depression in young people. This study is being undertaken by The Black Dog Institute together with UNSW. Year 8 students from 2020 will be involved through until year 12 and will be given access to a range of specific apps to screen their mental health and wellbeing and to support positive strategies to manage their wellbeing. All participating students will receive a \$20 online gift voucher in 2020 to assist phone data and usage costs. We look forward to joining with 400 schools in this very worthwhile project.

## Subject: Opportunity for Year 8 Students: 'Future Proofing' Study

Dear Parents and Carers,

We're excited to announce that our school will be participating in Australia's largest ever wellbeing trial for high schoolers. We'll be working with the [Black Dog Institute](#) and UNSW alongside more than 100 other schools to build the most comprehensive picture yet of the mental health and wellbeing of Australian teenagers.

The '[Future Proofing Study](#)' is kicking off at the beginning of Term 2. As this is a large population-based trial, all Year 8 are encouraged to sign up. Students in the trial will complete mental health programs using apps and complete surveys at school about their health and wellbeing until Year 12.

**Students will need parent permission and a smartphone to participate. Please follow this link to access the study information sheet, discuss it with your child, and submit your decision: <https://www.fpstudy.org.au/C4Ryh>**

The research team at Black Dog will be hosting several live webinars for parents to learn more and ask questions. Please see the schedule below if you'd like to register for a webinar.

We do hope you consider your child's participation in this trial. Research shows that [mental health concerns in teenagers are increasing](#) and our school is keen to be part of the solution.  
Regards

Mr Daniel White  
Year Adviser

Ms Maryanne Snewin  
Year Adviser

Mrs Fiona Milligan  
Head Teacher Welfare

### Parent Webinar Schedule:

Date	Time	Register here
Wed 19 February 2020	7pm	<a href="#">Webinar 19 Feb</a>
Tues 3 March 2020	1pm	<a href="#">Webinar 3 March</a>
Mon 16 March 2020	7pm	<a href="#">Webinar 16 March</a>
Thurs 2 April 2020	1pm	<a href="#">Webinar 2 April</a>



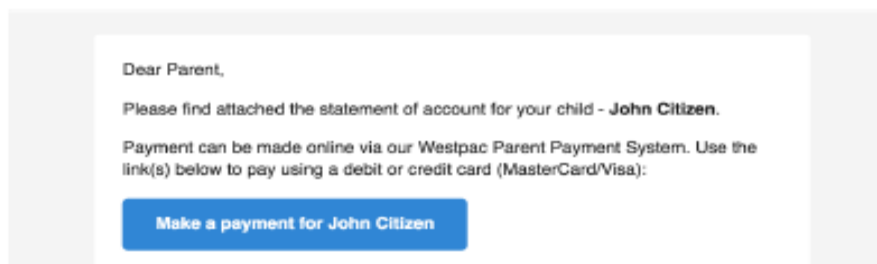
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## Statements of Account - Online Payment Guide

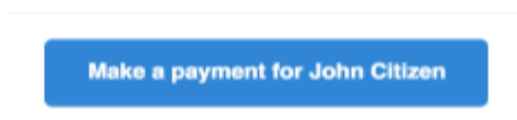
Concord High School will be sending student statements of account & payment reminders directly to parents/caregivers via email using a system called School Bytes. These statements include a link to make secure payment online through the Westpac Parent Online Payment (POP) system (Visa & Mastercard credit/debit cards accepted).

To make an online payment for your child(ren)'s school contributions, please follow the steps below:

1. You will receive an email from the school's email address ([concord-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:concord-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au)) with the subject 'Student Statement of Account' or 'Payment Reminder'.



2. To make an online credit card payment, click the secure payment button in the email.



3. Once this button is clicked, you will be taken to a webpage on [www.parentpayments.com.au](http://www.parentpayments.com.au). On this page, you will see a list of all currently outstanding items for your child. By default, all items are selected/ticked for payment.

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Date	Due	Fee Name	Amount	Paid	Balance Owing (\$)
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	05/04/2017		Gymnastics for Gymnastics	\$40.00	\$0.00	40.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	05/04/2017		Japanese Drum for Japanese Drumming	\$5.00	\$0.00	5.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	05/04/2017		LiteratLevy for Yr 6 Literature Levy Not OC	\$18.75	\$0.00	18.75
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	05/04/2017		Paper for Paper Levy 2017	\$18.75	\$0.00	18.75
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	05/04/2017		Science Levy for Science Levy	\$5.00	\$0.00	5.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	05/04/2017		TecLevy for Technology	\$22.50	\$0.00	22.50

You will then see a payment summary screen where you can confirm your details. When ready, press the button at the bottom of the page to confirm and make your online payment.

NOTE: To pay for another child in the family, return to the original email you received and click the payment button with the other child's name on it.

The payment button/link located within the email remains active for 12 months. This means that at any point within this time period you can use this link to see what items are currently owing for your family.

For information relating to the security & privacy of this service, please refer to the following webpage: <https://education.nsw.gov.au/content/dam/main-education/public-schools/going-to-a-publicschool/media/documents/School-Bytes-Student-Privacy-Information.pdf>

# P & C News

A big welcome to the year 7 students and families for 2020! CHS P&C know this is an exciting time and we hope you are settling in well and enjoying the school. We wish you the best.

I would like to thank those parents and carers who attended the first P&C meeting of the year, on February 18. The presentation given by Ms Judy Joy (School Counsellor) and Ms Fiona Milligan (Head Teacher Welfare) gave attendees valuable insight into how our teens, especially year 7 students, may be thinking and feeling at this stage in their school learning experience.

Further to this, set agenda items were addressed at the meeting and there was great input from the floor with some items being discussed at length, and motions being passed. One of those motions was a new process in which the P&C will make decisions on where P&C funds will be allocated to the school. This includes an annual call for funding applications from Faculty Heads that need to be approved by the Principal before coming to the P&C. This will improve the P&C's ability to make strategic decisions to support the students and school in an active but pragmatic way. To hear more about this or the meeting from 18 February, please see the minutes and actions, or email the P&C for further details.

## The CHS P&C is Striving Forward...

### The P&C have a jam packed first term with,

- **Award Winning Speaker**, Entrepreneur and Engineer Ms Felicity Furey, who is flying up from Melbourne to present at Concord High School as part of the school's celebrations around International Women's Day (March 8). Felicity will be giving two keynote sessions on Friday 13 March to Students. Mayor Angelo Tsirekas will be opening the morning's celebration, and many business leaders from across the Canada Bay District will be there to support the school and P&C. Parents and Carer's are very welcome to attend the 11.15am session.
- **Comedy for a Cause**, fund raiser on Saturday 7 March at Canada Bay Club. Book your tickets through <https://comedyforacause.net/tc-events/chs/> This fun night is to raise money for more air conditioners. *Brace yourself P&C Community...* we have started installing air conditioners into the school! Yes, two units were installed in December 2019 from the funds raised in 2018, and another two units will be installed shortly from the money raised at last year's Comedy for a Cause night. We are hoping to raise enough money at the March 2020 Comedy night to install another two units. We know there is a long list of classrooms that need air conditioners, but we are ticking that list off one classroom at a time! So please keep supporting this worthwhile goal when you receive notices and emails. Every dollar counts!
- **Let Your Feet Do the Talking**, come and march with CHS P&C on Saturday 7 March at 11am, from Hyde Park, Sydney to Belmore Park, Central Station. There will be speakers celebrating and raising awareness about **Women's rights**. Rights that have been won and rights that Women are yet to win. CHS P&C will have a large homemade banner, and we encourage you to voice your opinion via placards about what is important to you as a Woman. This will be a peaceful rally so bring your teens and children and walk in solidarity to show your position counts.

Thanks for reading, and the P&C Executive Team will keep you updated as things emerge. Take care and we look forward to seeing you at the next meeting or at one of the functions above. If you are not getting P&C direct emails or school texts, please let us know so we can update your contact details.

Kind regards

Angela Smith

CHS P&C resident

[PresidentCHSPC@gmail.com](mailto:PresidentCHSPC@gmail.com)





**In support of:**  
**Concord  
High School P&C  
Raising Funds for  
Classroom Air-Con**



## **Andrew Barnett**

- Sydney & Perth Comedy Festival
- Performer and writer for 'Sunday Nights with Matty Johns', 'The Professor's Late Hit' & 'The Night Watchmen' - Fox Sports.
- Winner - ANZ Blue Rooms Comedy Prize 2016
- NSW RAW Comedy Finalist

*"Warm, personable and hilarious"* - Akmal Saleh



## **Seamus McAlary**

- Sydney & Melbourne International Comedy Festival
- Writer - 'Good News Week' and 'You're Skitting Me'
- One of Sydney's most sort after Emcees

*"An astute and insightful writer... His material is superb"* - The Daily Telegraph



## **John Cruckshank**

- Sydney Comedy Festival Showcase Tour
- Sydney Fringe Festival
- Legend of the Australian Comedy Scene
- Comedy Central's 'A Night of Stand Up'

*"Spectacularly funny"* – Herald Sun



## **Mat Wakefield**

- Sydney Comedy Festival - Sold Out
- Sydney Fringe Festival - Sold Out

*"one of the rising stars of Australian Comedy"* - The Laugh Garage

*"a genuine alternative way of thinking, reminiscent of comedy legend Doug Stanhope..."* (Weekend Notes)

**Saturday 7 March 2020  
Doors: 7pm / Show: 8pm  
Canada Bay Club  
4 William Street, Five Dock**



**Tickets: \$35 at  
[comedyforacause.net/CHS](http://comedyforacause.net/CHS)  
(18+ Only)**



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## Concord High School

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS WILL BE TAKEN ON:

**Wednesday 11 March 2020**

**ORDER NOW go to [www.advancedlife.com.au](http://www.advancedlife.com.au) and enter the code  
YXK 8W4 CV4**

Dear Parents,

School photographs are scheduled to be taken by *advancedlife*. Whilst an envelope and flyer will be distributed shortly, if possible it is our preference that ordering be completed online to reduce administration and potential security issues related to the return of cash and envelopes on photo day.

Orders for packages and sibling photographs can be placed securely online at [www.advancedlife.com.au](http://www.advancedlife.com.au) using our school's unique 9 digit *advancedorder* code. Portrait and group package orders are due by photography day.

Should you wish to purchase a sibling photograph online, the order must be placed no later than the day before photography day. Sibling photographs will only be taken if an order has been placed.

Should you have any queries concerning school photographs or online ordering, please direct them via email to [enquiries@advancedlife.com.au](mailto:enquiries@advancedlife.com.au)



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## OPEN NIGHT 2020

Tuesday 3rd March 5:30pm -7:30pm

Prospective Year 7 2021 and 2022 students and their parents are warmly invited to attend our Open Night. This is a unique opportunity to view the excellent academic, pastoral care, sporting and cultural programs we offer to our students.

Concord High School has been recognised at State level for many of its innovative programs including:

- An innovative connected curriculum designed to enhance pastoral care, reduce the number of Year 7 teachers and support a smooth transition to high school
- A Gifted and Talented program taught by highly skilled teachers with additional training in gifted education
- A range of programs in Years 9/10/11 to further engage at-risk students aged 15-19 years.
- A whole school philosophy that "every student and staff member will be known, valued and cared for to achieve their full potential within a context of high expectations".

Highlights of the evening include

- BBQ - 5:30pm - 6:00pm
- Principal's address - 6:00pm - 6:30pm
- Discovery Tours/ Interactive Displays with Student Leaders 6:30pm - 7:00pm
- Gifted and Talented information session 7:00pm - 7:30pm
- Displays of student works



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## Before and After School Sport (BASS) 2020 – Term I

BASS sports that's have and will run for Term I are:

Basketball (Tuesday 3:00pm – 4:00pm)

Tennis (Tuesday 3:00pm – 4:00pm)

Volleyball NEW (Wednesday 3:00pm – 4:00pm)

Netball (Wednesday 3:00pm - 4:00pm)

Soccer (Wednesday 3:00pm – 4:00pm)

Unfortunately due to low level of interest for Personal Fitness and Dance, those sports will not go ahead. If students have applied and paid for these sports, students will then have a credit of \$70 on their school account.

Parents and students are encouraged to join the BASS Google Classroom to check for weekly updates.

Google Classroom Code is **a3p3aj3**





# Upcoming Dates

## VARIATIONS TO ROUTINE TERM 1 WEEK 6 2 March – 6 March 2020

### WEEK B

	Monday 2 March	Tuesday 3 March	Wednesday 4 March	Thursday 5 March	Friday 6 March
<b>B TERM 1 WEEK 6</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Zone swimming carnival</li> <li>Open girls knockout Volleyball</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School Open night 5.30-7.30 (HPGE information 7pm)</li> <li>Knockout boys basketball</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Yr 12 Extension 1 Maths Task</li> <li>Debating training</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Prefect afternoon tea Burwood Girls HS</li> <li>Year 12 Design Technology Task 2</li> <li>NRL Youth Advocate program</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 7 vaccinations Round 1</li> <li>Year 11 IPT Assessment Task 1</li> <li>International Womens Day breakfast</li> </ul>

## A LOOK AHEAD TERM 1 WEEK 7

	Monday 9 March	Tuesday 10 March	Wednesday 11 March	Thursday 12 March	Friday 13 March
<b>A TERM 1 WEEK 7</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 12 Earth &amp; Environment Skills Task</li> <li>Year 9 History</li> <li>Year 8 History 80/8P</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 8 History</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>School photo day</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Selective HS Placement Test</li> <li>Year 12 Biology Secondary Sources - Interviews Task</li> <li>Year 12 Chemistry- Secondary sources task</li> <li>Year 11 Business Studies</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 11 Legal Studies</li> <li>STEM guest speaker</li> <li>Year 12 Biology- Secondary sources interviews task</li> <li>Year 12 Physics Depth Study Task</li> <li>Kozoji High School Japan visit</li> </ul>

## A LOOK AHEAD TERM 1 WEEK 8

	Monday 16 March	Tuesday 17 March	Wednesday 18 March	Thursday 19 March	Friday 20 March
<b>B TERM 1 WEEK 8</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 12 SLR First Aid &amp; injury Management Task Due</li> <li>Year 12 Mathematics Standard 1 &amp; Standard 2 Task</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HPGE testing for 2021</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 12 Economics Task</li> <li>Year 9 History Elective</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 12 Ancient History Task</li> <li>Year 8 International Studies</li> <li>Year 11 SDD Assessment Task 1</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>National day of action against bullying</li> <li>Harmony Day</li> <li>Year 12 Business Studies Task</li> <li>Year 12 English Adv/Standard Multimodal Presentation</li> <li>Year 12 English EALD Essay Response Task</li> </ul>

