

CHS Keeping InTouch Term 2 Week 5

What's on 2023

Monday 29 May - National Reconciliation Week

Friday 9 June - Worlds Greatest Shave

Monday 12 June - Kings Birthday Public Holiday

Tuesday 13 June - P&C Meeting 6.30pm school hall

Wednesday 14 June - Zone Athletics Carnival

Thursday 15 June - Regional Cross Country Carnival

Wednesday 21 June - Year 7 and Year 10 Parent Teacher Interviews

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www.instagram.com/concordhighschoolofficial

Leadership News

CHS Prefect Afternoon Tea

Thank you to all Concord High School Prefects, Mrs Santos, Mrs Peoples and all attending prefects from other schools for joining our 2022/23 Prefect Body at our Leading Together Prefect Afternoon Tea on Thursday the 11th of May! It was an incredibly fun and enjoyable afternoon with various leadership activities aimed at consolidating our connections with Prefects of other schools!

Starting off with a quick photo booth activity, Prefects wrote a piece of leadership advice to either their past, present or future self as part of our Leading Together Theme. Then to break the ice, Karola, Harrison and Inca of our Concord Prefect Body got everyone working together for a fun round of Telephone Charades where our acting abilities were put to the test. Following this, all attending Prefects engaged in Speed Dating of initiatives where the projects run by the Prefect Body's of our respective schools were shared to which our Concord High School Prefect Body found deeply insightful. To expand our knowledge of leaders and role models, Inca, Tim, Lucas and I had the Prefects engaging in deep discussions to the questions of our Leaders Trivia where the name of the 30th US President stumped a few groups. Then to conclude the very fun night and let off some steam, karaoke supplied by Gonxha produced some excellent songs and performances by some of our Prefect Body as well as our guests.

Once again, on behalf of our Concord High School 2022/23 Prefect Body, it was an absolute pleasure to host our Leading Together Prefect Afternoon Tea to the attending prefects from Burwood Girls, Riverside Girls, MacArthur Girls, Domremy College, Rosebank College and McDonald College. We hope it was as fun and insightful as we found it and that the collaboration of our schools continues into the future.

Julieanne Luu Enrichment Prefect, Leading Together Prefect Afternoon Tea Organiser







Zonta Club of Sydney West Award Night

On Tuesday 23rd of May, Zonta Club of Sydney West held their 2022 Year 10 Citizenship Awards Presentation Night. Jennifer Chen now in Year 11 was the recipient of this award and was asked to present a speech alongside a selection of other girls from surrounding schools that had also been nominated.

Here is some of Jennifer's fantastic speech:

"Many things about me have changed since I entered high school, however, one thing that has not changed is my passion for helping others. I have always believed that if I have the privilege to do so, I will

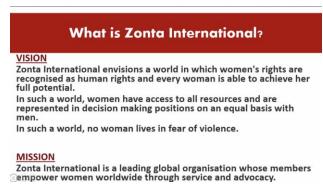
aid others. Due to this belief, I sought out opportunities where I could make an impact on someone or something, even if it was small. This is the reason I think I have been nominated for this prestigious award.

These projects were only successful due to the hard work of the teachers and peers that I work with. As my passion for helping others grew, I started looking for more ways to assist others outside of school which led me to volunteer for over 40 hours. The tasks range from transcribing audio for a library to raising money for a foundation.

All these experiences were extremely valuable. It taught me to have more patience, to be more grateful, but most importantly, it taught me how to change someone else's world."

Jennifer was congratulated by members of Zonta Club of Sydney West and also several people that attended the webinar. She should be very proud of her achievements.

Alanah Butler PDHPE Teacher Grade Sport Coordinator | Women's Advisor







Wellbeing News

Concordia Kindness Week

During week 3, students of Concord High School celebrated Concordia Kindness Week. As the third School Captain to oversee this initiative, I aimed to uphold past ideas whilst simultaneously integrating new ways to promote the importance of compassion and goodwill. To assist with the enactment of this event, the Prefect Body worked with Mrs Santos and Mrs Peoples to run several activities.

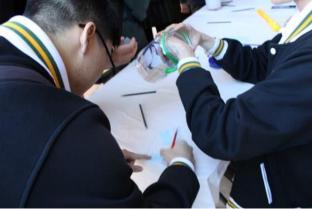
Beginning on Monday 8th May, the Prefects led a PB4L lesson in each Year 7 classroom. Mirroring the presentation from Concordia Kindness Day last term, the session focused on discussing the necessity of modelling kindness in everyday life. The Year 7s were then provided with a 'Random Acts of Kindness' bingo board. This entailed a grid of activities, allowing them to consolidate their understanding of the numerous methods to exude cheerful behaviour. Guided by a goal of checking off 5 boxes in a row or column, as well as diagonally, the students were given all week to score 'Bingo' – with prizes drawn at random. Congratulations to the following students:

- Sam Alz (7Y)
- William Ciregna (7P)
- Hassnin Habib (7G)
- Evie Scarpellino (7P)
- Linda Yue (7P)
- Matteo Mastroianni (7Y)

Teachers were also invited to take part in a similar game entitled 'The Teachers' Challenge' with a list of 10 tasks to complete throughout the week to model positivity towards their students and fellow coworkers. On Wednesday 10th May, students from all year groups participated in the 'Kindness Jar' activity where they were asked to either pick out a card with a motivational quote printed on it or write an anonymous positive message to put back in for others to receive in a 'Take One, Leave One' fashion. It was amazing to see such an enthusiastic response from everyone that visited the stall. A huge thank you to the teachers and staff that also engaged in the activity. To end off the week and add even more bursts of colour to our already vibrant school, students were involved in a 'Kindness Chalk Walk' activity at both recess and lunch on Friday 12th May. Provided with an option of either colouring in drawings on the pavement near the front gate or creating their own masterpieces, this was a beautiful way to visually represent kind messages. This event was immensely successful as students from all year groups came together to produce a piece of artwork that truly encompassed the spirit of Concord. Overall, it was excellent to witness first-hand the eager attitudes of all students and teachers as everyone engaged in the activities throughout Concordia Kindness Week. It was an enjoyable experience organising the event, and I hope that the succeeding Prefect Body further enriches the initiative.

Inca Tan School Captain















Careers Corner

Is your child in Year 12 and planning to go to university?

Have they created an account on the Universities Admission Centre (UAC) website?

Domestic students apply here: https://www5.uac.edu.au/uacug/

International students apply here: https://www9.uac.edu.au/uacos/

UAC access and scholarship schemes

If your child is a domestic* student, they may wish to apply for one of UAC's access and scholarship schemes https://www.uac.edu.au/future-applicants/scholarships-and-schemes

(Please note: *International students are not eligible for these UAC schemes).

1. Equity scholarships help disadvantaged students with the general costs associated with tertiary study.

They are awarded to students from low socio-economic backgrounds, particularly those who receive Centrelink income support payments such as ABSTUDY, Austudy, Youth Allowance, JobSeeker Payment, Disability Support Pension, Parenting Payment (Single) or the Carer Payment.

https://www.uac.edu.au/future-applicants/scholarships-and-schemes/equity-scholarships

- **2.** The Educational Access Scheme (EAS) aims to help 'domestic*' students who have experienced significant educational disadvantage receive an offer to university. Student applicants must be:
 - a UAC undergraduate applicant (Year 12 student, who is getting an ATAR)
 - an Australian citizen, a New Zealand citizen or a permanent resident of Australia (including a holder of an Australian permanent resident humanitarian visa).

To apply for EAS students must be able to demonstrate that, as a result of circumstances beyond their control or choosing, their studies were negatively affected during Year 11 and/or Year 12. Generally, students will need to demonstrate that their studies were negatively affected for a period of 6 months or more, throughout Year 11 and/or 12.

For Year 12s, this is calculated up to the end of October, when studies for the HSC are completed. Disadvantages that occur after October are not eligible for EAS assessment, as they will not have had an impact on a Year 12 student's educational performance.

https://www.uac.edu.au/future-applicants/scholarships-and-schemes/educational-access-schemes/disadvantages-and-documents

https://www.uac.edu.au/assets/documents/eas/eas-application-guide.pdf

Important dates for 2023 and 2024 EAS applications – for students:

23 November 2023

^{*}International students cannot apply for EAS.

Deadline to submit your EAS application and documents to guarantee receipt of you eligibility letter by 14 December (before December Round 2) for your EAS eligibility to be considered in December Round 2

14 December 2023

Eligibility letters emailed to all applicants whose assessment is complete

26 December 2023

Deadline to submit your EAS application and documents to have them considered in January Round 1

2 February 2024

EAS applications close.

- **3.** Schools Recommendation Schemes (SRS) are one way institutions make early offers of undergraduate admission to Year 12 'domestic' students, using criteria other than (or in addition to) the ATAR. Students applicants must be:
 - a UAC applicant for undergraduate admission in 2024 (currently in Year 12, and applying for university study in 2024)
 - an Australian or New Zealand citizen, a permanent resident of Australia or holder of an Australian permanent resident humanitarian visa.

Details of the Schools Recommendation Scheme, including how to apply, are linked below.

https://www.uac.edu.au/current-applicants/schools-recommendation-schemes

https://www.uac.edu.au/future-applicants/scholarships-and-schemes/schools-recommendation-schemes/institution-specific-srs-criteria

SRS Application dates for students:

18 SEPT 2023

SRS: Applications close for 2023

Apply for the Schools Recommendation Scheme by 11.59pm.

JobJump Careers News Bulletin

Did you know that your child receives a Careers News Bulletin every couple of weeks? The Careers News Bulletins are regularly posted on their Year group's Google Classroom.

The bulletins keep students up to date with all kinds of Careers opportunities – please ask your child to show you the latest edition on their Google Classroom.

Mathematics News

Maths Competition 2023 - Year 7 to 12

The Maths Competition is an engaging 30-problem competition that demonstrates the importance and relevance of mathematics in students' everyday lives and is open to students in all years. The competition will be held on Wednesday 2nd August, Week 3 Term 3, Periods 1 and 2. Cost is \$7.50.

Payment must be in by Friday 30th June, Week 10 Term 2

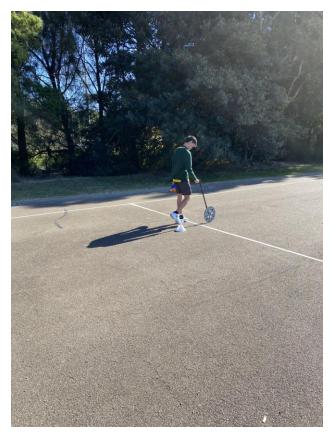
Please see Miss Ngo in Common 6 if you are interested.



Year 10 Graphs activity On Tuesday 23rd May the 3 5.3 year 10 Maths classes went to Cintra to collect data for their graphs of physical phenomena assessment task. Having collected the data they will start preparing their oral presentations where they will elaborate on their data collection methods and discuss the graphs that they have drawn using this data. Deb Rose Head Teacher Mathematics











HPGF News

We are thrilled to announce the launch of the Sam Lewis Peace and Environment Competition, an exciting opportunity for you to showcase your talent and unleash your creativity.

Entries may take many forms including artworks, posters, poetry, short stories and essays. Prize is \$200 for first place and \$100 for the runner-up.

Competition Details

Theme: How do you promote peace in your community?

Eligibility: Year 7 – 12 students

Submission requirements: All entries must be original pieces of work and address the theme and criteria for submissions

Submit by Friday 22nd September 2023

For more details, see poster below.

Please see Miss Ngo in Common 6 if you have questions or you would like to participate.



PDHPE News

NSWCHSSA Swimming Championships 2023

Congratulations to the following students who competed at the State Swimming Championships from Wednesday 3rd of May to Friday 5th of May at the Sydney Olympic Park Aquatic Centre.

Darcey Woodley:

- Placed 5th in the 50m freestyle final
- Placed 12th in the 100m freestyle heat
- Placed 10th in the 100m breaststroke heat Alexia Mantle:
- Placed 12th in the 200m freestyle heat
- Placed 17th in the 800m freestyle heat
- Placed 15th in the 400m freestyle heat Joshua Ciregna
- Placed 6th in the 50m multi-class freestyle final

- Placed 6th in the 50m multi-class backstroke final
- Placed 7th in the 50m multi-class breaststroke final
- Placed 6th in the 50m multi-class butterfly final A special mention to Joshua as he was also
 chosen to compete at the NSW All Schools Swimming Championship on Thursday 1st of June to
 Friday 2nd of June in the relay team. What an amazing achievement! Well done to all of our
 students on their efforts at the championships, they should be very proud!

Northern Suburbs Zone Cross Country Carnival

On Monday the 22nd May, the Northern Suburbs Zone held their annual Cross Country Carnival at Macquarie University Sporting Fields. The weather was beautiful which led to a very successful day full of participation and enthusiasm.

Concord High School had over 60 students qualify for the carnival and definitely made their presence known with some fantastic finishes.

Congratulations to the following students on their places and qualification for the Sydney North Regional Cross Country Championship:

Aiden Joo 12yrs - 4th place

Eren Orcun 12yrs - 7th place

Lucas Trieu 12yrs - 9th place

Alexia Mantle 13yrs - 5th place

Jerra Wright-Smith 14yrs - 1st place

Rishi Boopathy 14yrs - 5th place

Luke Naughton 14yrs - 8th place

Hazel Blackwood 14yrs - 5th place

Joshua Ciregna 14yrs

Liam Lenord 15yrs - 4th place

Jake Ciregna 16yrs - 2nd place

Maisy Wright-Smith 16yrs - 1st place

Darcy Woodley 17yrs - 4th place

Zaid Hamelin 18yrs - 2nd place

Jamie McGrow 18yrs - 4th place

The Regional Championships will be held on Thursday the 5th of June at Gosford Racecourse. We wish all of our students the best of luck. Alanah Butler PDHPE TeacherGrade Sport Coordinator|Women's Advisor









On Friday, 9th June 2023, Concord High School will be holding a fundraising event for the World's Greatest Shave. All funds raised will be donated to the Leukaemia Foundation to undertake vital

research and support families living with blood cancer. Students wishing to participate must collect a note from Mrs Maroungas in Common 3.

Donations to the team's fundraising efforts can be made via the school's page found at http://my.leukaemiafoundation.org.au/teamconcord

In 2021 we raised \$12,000 let's see how we do this year!

Elena Maroungas

HSIE Teacher



HERE'S HOW YOU CAN GIVE A FAMILY A WEEK'S ACCOMMODATION



You can raise \$560 in seven easy steps — head to worldsgreatestshave.com/tips to learn how. What's the significance of \$560? This amount will give a family a week at one of the Leukaemia Foundation's home-away-from-home accommodation options, which are always close to a hospital.

Got a birthday or another celebration coming up? Ask for donations to your page instead of gifts. You could also ask local businesses to donate prizes and put together a rafflel See if your workplace will match your fundrasing. Even better, get the whole team involved and shave at work!

Shavers who ask friends, family and workmates for a specific donation amount raise more. Be sure to suggest the amount you'd like people to donate when you write a personal email asking for help.





From the P&C



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OUR PURPOSE

Concord High School P&C Association and its volunteers work to bring the school community together so that parents, carers, staff and community members can help meet the needs of the school community and contribute to decisions about the school.

We also assist in providing facilities and equipment for the school and promoting the recreation and welfare of the students at the school.

The P&C offers a means of staying connected with your child, their school and your local community.

OFFICE HOLDERS

The P&C is made up of an amazing group of parent, carer and community volunteers. Some choose to be elected to take on specific tasks. Our current office holders for 2022-2023 are

President: Monita Patel

Vice Presidents: Vacant x 2

Secretary: Vacant

Treasurer: Chris Shaw

MEMBERSHIP

All members and non members are welcome. An annual \$2 membership can be paid online.

Once your membership is paid, you will remain a current member until the close of the next Annual General Meeting after your membership was paid. The Membership year is from the close of the AGM until the close of the next AGM.

Membership is open to

- All parents and guardians of students enrolled at the school
- All citizens within the school community

- The Principal, or the Principal's nominee, shall be an ex officio member of the P&C Association and its sub-committees
- School staffOnly members have the right to vote or move a motion or be Office Holders.

GRANTS

The P&C Grants programme is run in collaboration with school leadership and staff as well as community groups to identify and apply for funds to finance initiatives that will help our school and community thrive and prosper.

Do you work for an organisation that provides employee grant opportunities? 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.

Please <u>contact us</u> if you become aware of any grants that might help the school or if you wish to assist in this area.

P&C REPRESENTATIVE ON STAFF MERIT SELECTION PANELS

Another important way to be involved is to sit as a P&C representative on a Merit Selection Panel for new staff. Please <u>contact us</u> if you would be interested in receiving more information and/or if you are currently trained and/or have sat on Panels before. Training will be provided.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM OUR CONSTITUTION

The objects and functions of this association shall be those set out in Section 116 of the Education Act 1990, which include:

(i) The objects:

- (a) to promote the interests of the school by bringing parents, citizens, students and teaching staff into close co-operation; and
- (b) to assist in providing facilities and equipment for the school and in promoting the recreation and welfare of the students at the school.

(ii) The functions:

- (a) to report, when requested by the Minister for Education and Training, on the material requirements of the school and to advise on the subject of maintenance of the school, alterations and additions to school facilities, and the selection of new sites;
- (b) to assist and co-operate with the teaching staff in public functions associated with the school;
- (c) to be responsible for the election of parent representatives to any school council constituted at the school in consultation with the Principal of the school to ensure consistency with any guidelines for elections issued by the Director General of Education and Training.

(d) to assist in any matters in which the Minister may seek the co-operation of the association and to exercise such other functions as may be prescribed by the regulations (under the Education Act 1990).

CONCORD HIGH SCHOOL P&C MEETINGS



GENERAL MEETING DATES 2023

Held at Concord High School Library

Term 2 2023

6:30pm Tuesday 13th June

Term 3 2023

6:30pm Tuesday 25th July

6:30pm Tuesday 5th September (AGM)

Term 4 2023

6:30pm Tuesday 17th October

6:30pm Tuesday 28th November

Please remember, paying your \$2 P&C membership allows you to vote in P&C meetings

How long is my membership valid for?

The Membership year is from the close of the AGM (6:23pm, Tuesday 5 September 2023) until the close of the 2023 AGM (date and time tba)

Community Announcements











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