

## THE WEEKLY PINES

## Manly Selective Campus

Northern Beaches Secondary College



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Ms Cath Whalan Ms Kathy O'Sullivan

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## From the Principal

#### **National Public Speaking Final**

Congratulations to Year 9 student Jamie Bell who competed in the National Final of the Legacy Junior Public Speaking Awards in Adelaide on Monday. Jamie was more than happy with her performance, pitted against the best from across the country, and reported that the experience gained was extremely worthwhile. Jamie also acknowledged that to be selected for the final was a magnificent achievement.

I would like to pass on my thanks to Jamie, and her family who travelled with her, for representing our school with such distinction at the highest level in this competition.

#### **Premier's Reading Challenge Medals**

This week we were very proud to receive notification that three of our students have been recognised for their outstanding contributions to the NSW Premier's Reading Challenge. Year 9 students, Cameron Turner and Bronte Nicholls have both been presented with medals for their participation in the program for each year from Year 3 to Year 9. In addition, Vidanelage DeMel of Year 7 was presented with a Platinum Award as a result of her outstanding results over a seven year period of participation in this program.

Congratulations to all students.







#### **ICAS Medal Presentations**

On Friday 25 November, two of our students, Aja Elsheikh and Maia Hopf have been invited to attend the 2016 ICAS Medal Presentation Ceremony at the University of NSW. Both girls will be presented with Medals following their outstanding results in the ICAS English Competition. To achieve these results in this highly competitive, international competition is an accomplishment to be celebrated and I hope that Aja, Maia and their families enjoy the presentation.





#### **Year 7 Debating**

This week saw the final week of the program whereby students from our Year 7 debating program assisted primary students in preparation for the State Primary Schools Debating Championships. Thank you to Noah Sawyer, Mia Schwartz and Katherine Cannon who visited

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Manly West Primary School on Tuesday. Their role on this occasion was to mentor a group of Year 4 debaters on the structure of their debates during preparation time and then to adjudicate the debate, providing feedback on the successes achieved by each team. Each of the students reported on what a valuable experience it was to 'sit on the other side of the table' and adjudicate the debate. It really did make them think of what they had been taught in our own coaching sessions and try to pass that on to others.

Over the three week period, the students that have represented our school have been outstanding ambassadors of our school and have been highly praised and thanked for their commitment to the program.

#### **Outstanding Design & Technology Project**

Earlier this week I had the pleasure of witnessing some of the work produced by our Year 9 Design and Technology students. Hinata Suzuki has been making good use of the school's laser cutting technology and has designed and made an acrylic 'travellers' chess set. This board, made in two pieces, has each of the squares cut and glued onto a base. Each square has a slot cut into it, allowing for the individual pieces to stand and be moved during the game.

This is a wonderful design and the high quality of detail in each piece, as well as finish and accuracy, is attributable to the technology available. This is just one example of the outstanding work being produced by these students. Congratulations to all.



#### **Open Boys Cricket into State Semi Final**

I would like to pass on the best wishes of all in our school community to the Open Boys Cricket team who will contest the Regional Semi-Final of the Allan Davidson Shield CHS knockout competition against Epping Boys High on Monday. In such a strong sporting zone as Northern Sydney, it is a wonderful achievement to compete at this level of the competition.

Tony Rudd Principal

## **From the Deputy Principals**

The Year 12 Graduation ceremony took place on Monday at Freshwater Senior Campus. This enjoyable event was an opportunity to celebrate the achievements of our students with their family and teachers. Once again the students looked most impressive in their formal attire! Thank you to all those who made the Year 12 Graduation such a success; Mr Yaffe and the Year 11 parents who coordinated the afternoon tea and Mrs Bowden and the other Office Staff who ensured the ceremony went so smoothly. A huge thank you also goes to Craig Driscoll, the Jazz Ensemble and our wonderful Year 12 performers, especially Katie, Justine, Connor, Taylor and Alex. Thank you also to Mara for cutting short her School Spectacular rehearsal to perform. A special thank you goes to Lucy and Connor for their excellent, topical farewell speeches and to Ms Shannon for her inspiring address. Last but not least, thank you to all the Year 12 parents who have supported the students throughout this busy and rewarding year.

As Deputy Principal for this Year group over the past 5 years, it has been wonderful to see these young people, many of whom I'd first met in Year 8, grow into the outstanding young adults they've become. I wish you all the best for the future beyond school and the HSC and sincerely hope that you'll keep in touch! We look forward to seeing as many students as possible at the HSC Celebration Morning Tea from 10am on Friday 16 December.







Year 10 completed their Yearly Science and English Examinations in the Hall this week. Providing the opportunity for students to sit their assessments under these conditions is excellent preparation for senior school. Next Monday and Tuesday sixty students will be presenting their Digital Learning Portfolio. Thank you to those parents and grandparents who have volunteered to be part of this valuable opportunity for students to reflect on their learning as they prepare for Stage 6.

With the Visual Arts Exhibition on next week, I look forward to seeing the art works, including skateboards, created by our talented Year 8 students. Although Year 8 students don't experience the formal assessments procedures that occur in the senior school, the study and organisational habits developed in the early years are vital in ensuring students are able to demonstrate academic excellence and their personal best.

Cath Whalan Deputy Principal Years 8, 10, 12

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On Thursday Year 7 students were introduced to 'Unity': a fully integrated development engine that provides rich functionality to create games and other interactive 3D content (the same program that created *Pokemon Go*). Year 7 students can now sign up for a hands-on on session where they will learn to create their own commercial grade 3D World with hills, ocean, sky

and trees which blow in the wind. They will also learn how to import vehicles and create winding roads to make fun driving games, write simple artificial intelligence code, character animation code as well as learn the 12 most important coding concepts needs to create games for all major platforms, mobile devices and games consoles. Permission notes and payment needs to be made by 25 November to secure a place.

For the remaining three sessions of the EAM line, Year 7 students will be involved in a program designed especially for our MSC juniors. The students will be involved in a number of activities designed to engage students in open discussion about specific gender topics such as stereotypes, roles, body image, factors influencing our self-esteem, recognising what's important in your life and where to go for support, advice and encouragement. Students are spilt into boy and girl groups and the program is delivered by staff members at the school. I encourage you to ask your children what they covered during the program and to continue the dialogue around these topics at home.

Year 9 has settled back into school after camp with the Year 9 SRC representatives running Thursday's assembly. Teachers were wrapped in Christmas paper to promote the upcoming event – ChrisManly.



Year 11 final Preliminary reports have been completed and posted home. After reading the reports, I am very pleased with the progress and growth the students are making in their learning. Teachers have provided constructive feedback and insight in their reports. Students need to reflect on this and put in place learning strategies to further develop their knowledge, skills and

understanding as they head into the first lot of Year 12 assessment tasks. Once again, I encourage students to make use of the extended library hours for senior students on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons.



Year 12, 2017 students enjoying an afternoon tea break on Tuesday afternoon in the library.

Kathy O'Sullivan Deputy Principal Years 7, 9, 11

# VOLUNTEERS NEEDED ORIENTATION DAY

**SECOND HAND UNIFORM SALES** 

**Tuesday 6 December 9.30 – 11.30** 

Please contact Marg on 0404 865 765 Or Chris 0419 488 130

### **GARDENER/S WANTED**

For Canteen herb & vegetable patch

No experience necessary – mainly watering during summer months (usually done when waiting to pick up children!)

Herbs and vegetables are used by the canteen to provide sustainable, pesticide-free, tasty dishes for our children, staff and community.

Apply to: Linda Nord 024001759 or Canteen Staff 99397835

# **Giving Back to The Community**

## We are part of the Northern Beaches Constellation



One Million Stars to End Violence is a weaving Project which began in Brunswick, Victoria in in 2012. It has grown into an international movement to make a beautiful and

powerful statement, raising awareness of the need to act against domestic violence, violence in our streets, racism and harassment.

We are helping to reach the goal of one million stars which will become part of a huge installation at the Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games. Our school's contribution so far is 500 stars, made by staff, parents, students and friends.

# White Ribbon day is Thursday 25 November.



Part of the display hanging in our office.

#### SECOND HAND UNIFORMS

LOCATED UNDER THE TAS BLOCK

Open first Tuesdays of the month 8.15-9.30am & third Thursdays of the month 1.30-2.30pm

Next open: Tuesday 13 December
NOT Tuesday 6 December due to Year 7
2017 Orientation Day

Co-ordinators Marg Martin & Chris Schaller Please contact us if you would like to place an order:

margaret.martin@optusnet.com.au or christins@ozemail.com.au

# We desperately need donations of uniforms, especially small sizes.

All proceeds go the P&C for school improvement projects.

For second hand band blazers (buy & sell) please contact Dianne Turner on moogiet@optusnet.com.au and new and pre-loved band polo shirts please contact Kim Luong on kimmanlyband@gmail.com

### From the Archives

In 1955 there were paid advertisements in the Pines school magazines. One that particularly caught our attention was for the Bank of New South Wales. Under the banner heading 'A Career in Australia's Oldest Public Company' the copy goes on to read, in part .... 'Australia's first public company, the Bank of New South Wales, was established in 1817, 138 years ago. Today it is the largest trading bank operating in this country. If you are ambitious, alert, well-spoken, and preferably – reasonably good at some form of sport, you will find the widest scope for your talents in the Bank of New South Wales. Important, interesting, and varied careers are offered to boys with these qualifications, who have completed at least three years of secondary education, and who have a good school record'.

### Volunteers needed

Orientation Day
Tuesday 6 December
To help us serve morning tea
to the new Year 7s and parents
Please contact Beatriz Ladbrook on
gbladbrook@gmail.com for more
information



# **Bands of Manly Selective Campus**

## Band Meeting and Annual General Meeting

The AGM was held on Monday night 7 November. A wonderful group of around 20 parents volunteered to fill roles

throughout the year to make it this parent-run band program operate efficiently. Many returned to the committee from 2016 and some new members were welcomed. A list will be circulated by email. Many thanks to this great team. Sarah Dowse stepped down as President of the bands after 3 years in that role and one year as Vice President.

## The band program is yet to fill the roles of **President and Vice President for 2017.** The

President is the overall coordinator of the administration for the program; liaising with directors, school and band parents; development of calendar; overseeing auditions, events, camps, tours; overseeing finances, fundraisers, policies and communication; conducting meetings once/term. The Vice President gives general assistance to the President in performing these tasks and is responsible for specific events such as coordination of Orientation Day and Presentation Night and tour organisation in conjunction with the directors.

Being involved with the band program is hugely rewarding. It is a wonderful way to be part of the MSC community, meet the students and their families across all year groups and know the directors and the school staff. Please find out more about these two very important roles by contacting sarahdowse@gmail.com.

## Thank you to Sarah Dowse and outgoing Year 12 parents

All of the band students and parents would like to extend a massive, heartfelt thank you to Sarah for the incredible job she has done in the last 4 years as Vice President and President. She has generously volunteered countless hours for the benefit of our kids and families. Sarah is an amazingly calm and capable person who approaches every task and all around her with dedication, grace, diplomacy and good humour. BoMSC wish to whole-heartedly thank Sarah and extend our appreciation to her family who have allowed her to give so much of herself on a purely voluntary basis.

#### MSC Jazz Night 2016

What a wonderful night of musical talent on display at the annual Jazz Night Out last Saturday night. All four Jazz Bands performed superbly to a delighted audience, showed their appreciation with a number of standing ovations. Lead by our tireless and dedicated Band Director Craig Driscoll, the bands played a full range of jazz pieces with many well-known crowd pleasers amongst them. Nic Jeffries, professional vocalist and musician was a wonderful compliment to the Jazz Orchestra comprising a particularly talented Year 12 contingent together for one of their last performances. There was an array of outstanding solos, amazing vocals and incredible small group performances including a never-before-seen sextet of baritone saxophones. Congratulations to all our students involved on a fabulous night. A big thanks to Ms Leviton for assisting with supervision and for her beautiful dance floor displays, to the Meadows, Fay, Elshaikh, Kovacs and Dowse families for assisting with the transport of gear and to Antje Kaldor and Helen Dransfield for overall coordination of this sell-out event.







# Jazz Orchestra at Year 12 Graduation Ceremony Thank you to JO for performing in the Year 12 Graduation Ceremony on Monday. The musical interludes complimented the bitter-sweet mood of those graduating year 12s and their families.

#### New event: BB at Cerebral Palsy Alliance Christmas lunch Friday 16 December

The residents of Venee Burgess House have really enjoyed our jazz performances over the years. It is a great way for the band program to give back to the community. Tim Crow will conduct BB. 12-2pm with transport there and back by bus.

#### Year 7 Orientation Day: SE and WE

Note the date for the Orientation day is Tuesday 6 December. Formal band uniform should be worn by WE and SE.

## Callout to Years 7 – 10: Fundraiser Saturday 4 February 2017

As a trusted volunteer supplier to Fairfax Media, we have been invited for our first Northern Beaches local event: the 2017 Sun Run Dee Why to Manly

http://sunruncoleclassic.com.au/srcourse/.

**Contact:** Call **Angela Aguam** on **0422 618780**, or email **angieaguam@yahoo.com** to volunteer for this event . Everyone is welcome. See flyer at the end of the Pines.

#### Band Diary Dates Term 4

- Junior Band Regional Tour Monday 28 November - Thursday 1 December: CB/SB/SwB
- Year 7 Orientation Day Tuesday 6 December- MSC Hall: WE/SE
- Big Band Bash # 2 Tuesday 13 December-MSC: All ensembles
- Presentation night Monday 12 December -Freshwater Senior Campus gym: SWO
- Cerebral Palsy Alliance Christmas lunch -Friday 16 December,12-2 pm: BB
- Performance at Ms Legg's wedding- Friday 16 December: JO (TBA)

#### Band web site

For the latest band calendar, handbook and current information go to the band website at <a href="http://manlypandc.org.au/?page\_id=34">http://manlypandc.org.au/?page\_id=34</a>

#### **Band Names**

#### Wind Stream:

SWO~Symphonic Wind Orchestra; WE~Wind Ensemble; CB~Concert Band;

SE~String Ensemble; CO~Chamber Orchestra Jazz Stream:

JO~Jazz Orchestra; BB~Big Band; SB~Stage Band; SwB- Swing Band; JC- Jazz Combo

### **Calendar Term 4**

Please check all dates and times closer to the event

	WEEK 7
21/11/2016	Year 10 Digital Learning
	Portfolio Presentations
21/11/2016	Year 11 History Extension
22/11/2016	Year 9 Leadership Day
22/11/2016	Wellbeing Meeting
23/11/2016	Schools Spectacular combined
	dance rehearsal
23/11/2016	Visual Arts Exhibition for Years
	7 - 11
24/11/2016	Schools spectacular dress
	rehearsal
24/11/2016	Visual Arts Exhibition for Years
	7 - 11
25/11/2016	Schools Spectacular matinee &
	evening performances
25/11/2016	Visual Arts Exhibition for Year 7
	to 11
26/11/2016	Schools Spectacular matinee &
	evening performances
	WEEK 8
28/11/2016	Junior Band Tour

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28/11/2016	Year 10 Work Experience and ABW
29/11/2016	Junior Band Tour
29/11/2016	Year 10 Work Experience and ABW
30/11/2016	Junior Band Tour
30/11/2016	Year 10 Work Experience and ABW
30/11/2016	Principal's Tour of the school at 9.30am. Bookings essential via Office 9905 3982.
30/11/2016	P&C AGM Meeting, 7pm in Library
1/12/2016	Junior Band Tour
1/12/2016	Year 10 Work Experience and ABW
1/12/2016	SRC Assembly
1/12/2016	Advanced English Assessment
2/12/2016	Year 10 Work Experience and ABW
2/12/2016	YEAR 7 PRAXIS Project
	WEEK 9
5/12/2016	Twilight Learning
6/12/2016	Dance Showcase
6/12/2016	Year 7 2017 Orientation Day
7/12/2016	Years 8 - 11 Orientation Day
7/12/2016	Dance Showcase
8/12/2016	Year 7 2017 Parent Coaching Workshop TBC
8/12/2016	SRC Chrismanly
9/12/2016	Duke of Ed Gold Qualifying hike
9/12/2016	Hip Hop workshop
11/12/2016	Duke of Ed Gold Qualifying hike
	WEEK 10
12/12/2016	Duke of Ed Gold Qualifying hike
12/12/2016	Presentation Night, 7pm,
40/40/2015	Freshwater Gym
13/12/2016	Big Band Bash
13/12/2016	Duke of Ed Gold Qualifying hike
13/12/2016	Whole School Assembly
15/12/2016	Activity Day Years 7-10
16/12/2016	Last Day for Students
16/12/2016 16/12/2016	

# Visual Arts Exhibition







# Visual Arts Exhibition Years 7-11

Students artwork from Years 7-11 will be on display in the school hall on Wednesday







# Manly Selective Campus Dance Showcase 2016

Featuring performers from the contemporary, jazz and musical theatre ensembles, yr 9 Elective Dance students, plus additional solos and duos from some of our most talented performers

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> December 7pm

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December 7pm

https://www.trybooking.com/NUVF

**Tickets at** 





Pagent Workshop

## HOW TO STAY RESOURCEFUL DURING THE TRANSITION TO HIGH SCHOOL

As part of our welfare curriculum at Manly, we support our students with the skills to stay resilient and bounce back from challenges, we also run programs to support our families.

Jacqui Pollock is a specialist family coach who works with parents at Manly running workshops on how to stay resilient and calm in challenging teen parenting moments.

Jacqui will run a workshop this December for our new 2017 parents with students starting in year 7.

Get ready over the holidays to transition to High School.

## Leagn HOW TO:

- Calmly navigate the change from pre-teen to teen years
- Explore the change in your role as parent
- Improve your teen's growing emotional intelligence and reflect and your own skills too
- Support not rescue your child during the transition to high school

This workshop is designed specifically for Manly parents with children commencing in 2017. The workshop is run at school in the Common Room so parents get an opportunity to experience a day in the life of school at Manly, we even order our lunch from the canteen! It's a great way to meet other parents who will become your friends and community over the High School years.

The content will introduce you to the Parent Coach approach, and Jacqui will outline the concepts of her coaching program "How to Coach your teen in the game of life". There are various workshops run throughout the school years that expand this program to include: respect, listening, understanding, making agreements with teens, consequences, nurturing responsibility and independence.

#### DETAILS

10am – 2pm held in the common room.

### Thursday December 8th 2016

FOR MORE INFO and TO BOOK: manlytransitiontohighschoolworkshop.eventbrite.com.au COST is \$95 per person and \$170 per couple.

WWW.JACQUIPOLLOCK.COM.AU

Jacqui Pollock provides coaching and workshops for Leaders, Educators, Principals and Parents. She consults to Dept. of Education in NSW, SA and Victoria. Jacqui is co-author of the recently published book "Knowing Me, Knowing them - aha" which helps parents explore their parenting personality and how it impacts their family.

And she's also an ex Manly Selective parent whose daughter graduated in 2015.

"A wonderful program with useful concepts and practical suggestions to becoming a parent who can better support their kids through life."

Elisa, three children 12, 16, 18

"Thank you so much for a thought provoking and productive day. I thoroughly enjoyed it and feel excited that I have more resources to draw on to engage in a more positive and meaningful way with our kids."

Ann Marie, two children 14, 17.









# CALL OUT TO Year 8-10 BAND FAMILIES! Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> February 2017

As a trusted volunteer supplier to Fairfax Media, we have been invited for our first Northern Beaches local event the 2017 Sun Run Dee Why to Manly, <a href="http://sunruncoleclassic.com.au/srcourse/">http://sunruncoleclassic.com.au/srcourse/</a>

Our role is still to be decided, however we will most likely be involved in baggage handling, drink stations or time keeping! We need to supply 30 volunteers.

Details to follow when available.

This is will raise vital funds for the band program to help support the next international tour

#### What we get

- LOTS OF FUN, beach morning and community spirit!
- We get paid for every person who attends: family, friends, this is <u>open to</u> <u>everyone</u>, not just MSC students, although we want to see as many of you there!
- Event T-shirt
- Duke of Ed 4 volunteering hours
- **School achievement awards** for community service (equivalent to 4 x pink merits)
- Year 10 students 6 hours can go towards your 20 hour volunteering quota.

**Details** 

**Location:** Dee Why/Manly

Arrival time: 5:30am (TBC) Estimated finish time: 10:00am

Contact: Call Angela Aguam on 0422 618780, or email angleaguam@yahoo.com

to volunteer for this event. Everyone is welcome.

We need volunteer names by 30 Nov, before the school holiday period



Tourette Syndrome Association of Australia needs your help to get the \$ 10.000 Grace Grant. Please vote for us! It takes under a minute to make a huge difference and it is as easy as a click. Please hurry, *Voting closes 24 November* 

Please click on the link below and vote for TSAA to be in the running to receive \$10,000 for our next camp.

http://gracegives.pgtb.me/QHj12x/ltfCg?w=51883561&e=139511443

Please share the voting via your social media networks and get TSAA the most votes

#### Why?

Tourette Syndrome (TS) affects 1% of children, that's over 250,000 children in Australia. TSAA is the only organisation in Australia that supports people affected by TS. We are a self funded registered charity run by volunteers so every dollar goes a long way! \$10,000 will enable us to run our national camp in April 2017. Our camp is a rare opportunity to meet others just like 'us', where valuable information, strategies and tools are shared. There is a common purpose among all the families to do their best to help their children reach their full potential and be the happiest, healthiest and most functional children they can be. TSAA is acutely aware of costs involved to families with special needs and medical bills and as such we have worked hard to provide the camp at very little cost to the families. The camp seeks to foster a sense of well-being and belonging through it's inclusive nature. Just one TS camp could be all a child needs to face the world with self-worth and management strategies for life.

Thank you on behalf of Tourette Syndrome Association of Australia and over 250,000 Australian children touched by Tourette Syndrome