



# THE WEEKLY PINES

## Manly Selective Campus

Northern Beaches Secondary College

*Academic Excellence ♦ Personal Best ♦ Giving Back to the Community*

Principal : Mr Tony Rudd

Deputy Principals:

Ms Cath Whalan  
Ms Kathy O'Sullivan



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## From the Principal

### Administrative and Support Staff Recognised

This week we say a huge thank you to our School Administrative and Support Staff. Our office staff, General Assistant, Caretaker, Technology Support Officer, Laboratory, Library and Kitchen Assistants all support our student's learning on a daily basis. Activities such as excursions, sporting events, visiting speakers, musicals, arts performances and student initiated clubs would not run as efficiently as they do without our SAS staff. In addition, our first aid, attendance records, enrolments, finance, maintenance, library, science and kitchens, and computer support are all programs that are overseen by these wonderful members of staff. Each of these highly valued members of our school community perform their duties with remarkable commitment. They also take an active interest in the progress and welfare of each and every student in the school. We are indeed fortunate to have the School Administrative and Support Staff that we do.

### Farewell Mrs Waugh

Today, while recognising our SAS staff, it is also with mixed emotions that we farewell Mrs Sue Waugh. Mrs Waugh officially retires from the Department of Education today after more than 25 years of outstanding service to the students, staff and community of Manly Selective Campus, and Manly Boys High prior. Most recently, Mrs Waugh has been responsible for the publications and booklets, including this newsletter, that are produced for students and parents such as Assessment Booklets, Subject Information Guides as well as programs for special events and examination papers. While the school will continue to be able to produce these documents, the feature of Mrs Waugh's contribution to the school that won't be easily replaced is her caring, friendly nature and genuine concern for all of our students, staff and parents.

Mrs Waugh is very much looking forward to spending quality time with her family, especially the newest grandchildren to be born in the near future. We wish her and her family well for a long and happy retirement together.



### CAPA Display

Congratulations to all students who have had their work displayed at the CAPA showcase over the last three days. There is no doubting that the highlight of the display has been the Year 12 HSC Major Works, but on Opening Night we were also treated to magnificent performances by HSC Music students and our combined Vocal Ensembles. It never ceases to amaze both myself and the many visitors to the school, the exceptional standard of work that our students produce on a daily occurrence. In opening the display, parent of the school and highly acclaimed nature artist, Mr Guy Troughton, commended the students on the quality and diversity of their work. This diversity included sketching, painting, photography, collage and the myriad of styles displayed within each.

Special mention must be made of our highly talented CAPA staff led by Head Teacher, Mrs Karen Blundell, along with Ms Richards and Ms Tye in Visual Arts and Music teachers Mrs Herft and Ms Leviton. Each of these staff members

contribute tremendously to the development of our students and their work.



### Pinestock

Our Student Representative Council organised another highly entertaining and pleasurable Pinestock event, this year with the theme of *DiscoStock*. Students and staff contributed to the atmosphere of the day with many students and staff spending countless hours designing, making or buying 'costumes' from the disco era while others had seemingly rummaged through wardrobes to find authentic pieces of historical garment from either their own or their parent's days gone by.



Without doubt, the highlight of the day was the seemingly endless talent of our students performing hits from the disco days, and even the staff who managed to lip-sync some of ABBA's hits, belt out the Pokemon theme and dust off

some of those music sheets from which they selected playlists to perform in their heyday.



To add to the festivities of the day, there were food stalls, stations selling all sorts of disco paraphernalia, a jumping castle and photo booth to capture those life long memories.

On such a day, the *Manly Vibe* is ever present and its foundation is built upon the commitment of all in our community to ensure that a part of our school is about wellbeing, acceptance and tolerance. The organising committees of the SRC, our students and staff certainly committed to that during another highly successful Pinestock.

Tony Rudd  
Principal

### From the Deputy Principals

The Year 12 Assembly held on Monday this week provided an opportunity for students to check their BOSTES Confirmation of Entry forms and discuss the process to assist students with scholarship applications. At that meeting, students were shown how school assessment marks are moderated based on the students' HSC Examination results of each course. The important message for all students is to continue working hard to improve their knowledge and understanding in all courses so the results of students both individually and as a whole cohort will benefit. Practice with a wide range of questions from past HSC papers, studying together and asking questions are all helpful strategies that can make a significant difference to all.

Congratulations to all involved with the Art Exhibition. Once again the works are of an extremely high standard and the Year 12 Major Works, in particular, are outstanding. Also, congratulations to the SRC and all students involved in the successful and fun DISCOstock held on Tuesday this week. Best-dressed staff awards went to ABBA and the disco ball!

This week was SASS Appreciation week. School Administrative and Support Staff, the official title for our Caretaker, our General Assistant, in addition to all the office staff, Science Assistant, Library Assistant and TAS Assistant, through to our Technical Support Officer, are often the heart and soul of any school. It is wonderful to be able to say thank you formally on this week each year.

Cath Whalan  
Deputy Principal Years 8, 10, 12



Applications for the 2017 NSW Youth Advisory Council are sought from young people with relevant life experience, a keen interest in youth affairs and/or experience in youth and community organisations. The Council plays an important role in guiding NSW Government youth affairs and raising the views of young people. It meets regularly throughout the year to discuss a range of relevant topics, as well as monitoring and evaluating youth-related policies and legislation which affect young people. What members do:

- Advise the Minister and the Advocate on the planning, development, integration and implementation of government policies and programs concerning young people.
- Consult with young people, community groups and government agencies on issues and policies concerning young people.
- Monitor and evaluate legislation and government policies and programs concerning young people and recommend changes if required.
- Conduct forums, approved by the Minister, on issues of interest to young people.
- Collect, analyse and provide the Minister and the Advocate with information on issues and policies concerning young people.

Students interested in applying should see Mrs O'Sullivan before 16 September.

Congratulations to Year 9 students Jamie Bell, Charlie Bossler, Zoe Bakker and Amelia Warde for winning their debate against Killara High School on Monday.

As we head towards the end of Year 11 Preliminary Course exams, students are completing their final assessment tasks and thoughts should be turning towards revision of course work in order to achieve success. The habits you set up for this exam period will hold you in good stead for the HSC year. Here are some ideas:

- Prepare a study timetable and stick to it. If you need help setting up a timetable, speak to Ms Munro or myself – or there are many websites that have templates that will help you set one up.
- Have a copy of the syllabus so you know the work you need to be studying.
- Start going over all your notes and prepare topic summaries using a variety of techniques that will help you remember the information – mind maps, palm or flash cards, or even verbal summaries on your phone.
- Complete past exam papers to gain an insight into what the questions are asking.
- Make sure you are using your free periods (if you have them) productively and find a quiet area/room in the school to start writing out revision notes. Remove distractions while studying.
- Many students benefit from having 'study buddies' – you can test each other and bounce ideas off each other.

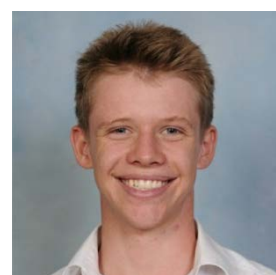
Parents can find practical tips and tools to support your child through exams periods on <https://parents.au.reachout.com/> A great one to start off with is: *Help my teenager manage exam stress* -

<https://parents.au.reachout.com/Common-concerns/Everyday-issues/Things-to-try-stress/Help-my-teenager-manage-exam-stress>

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

## HSIE Report

We would like to congratulate the following students for their outstanding results in the Economics and Business Studies Competition. Robert Cantwell was placed in the top 1% of the competition and received a monetary award. Zane O'Neill and Alex Molchanoff were both placed in the top 2% of all entrants and are recipients of a monetary prize from UNSW for their efforts. Our congratulations to all these boys for their outstanding results.



Robert Cantwell





Alex Molchanoff



Zane O'Neill

We also received the results of the Australian Geography Competition completed in Term 2 this week, with some outstanding results. Six students were placed in the top 1% of their year level across the nation: Josh Farr, Morris Chen, Nathan Hukins and Tatiana Balandina in Year 8, as well as Hana McMahon and Marcus Kaldor in Year 10. In addition, we had 19% of students achieving a High Distinction and a further 27% receiving a Distinction which is a fantastic overall performance.

And, following on from the earlier report this term on the results in the Australian History Competition, we now also have confirmation that the Year 10 cohort for our school was ranked second in the competition nation-wide. Great job Year 10!

In the coming weeks we have a number of activities across the faculty. The ASX Schools Sharemarket Game is currently underway for all Commerce, Business Studies and Economics students and whilst a number of students have been learning the many fluctuations of the stockmarket, there are a few who have been investing their \$50,000 wisely and seen some significant improvements in the portfolio.

We also have Year 7 students heading to either Bicentennial Park or Macquarie University for their respective HSIE courses. Meanwhile, Year 10 get to hear different perspectives on the Vietnam War for History or head to the beach for Geography to study the effects of humans on the

coast and quite significantly in the recent past, the effect of the ocean on our lives.

Jamie Kay  
HT HSIE

## MSC Colour Run

One week to go until the *Adidas School Colour-Run!* We have currently fundraised \$5200! We need a huge week of fundraising next week to ensure we meet our goal of \$10,000. The money is going to be used to purchase equipment for our new school gym, providing our students with more opportunities in sport!

We'd love some volunteers on the day. Please call the office on 9905 3982 and request to talk to James Blanch (Sport Organiser) if you are interested in coming along to our event.

If you have any fundraising questions, please contact the *Adidas School Colour-Run* team on 1300 733 788 and they will gladly assist!

We've set our money due date on the 16 September (1 week after the event) so please make sure you've collected all your money by then.

All students wishing to participate in the Fun Run MUST have a signed permission note. These notes should be handed in at the Front Office no later than Monday 5 September.

To register for online fundraising, please go to [www.schoolfunrun.com.au](http://www.schoolfunrun.com.au).

James Blanch  
Sports Co-ordinator

## Chess Report

Chess is a battlefield.

Blood sweat and tears have been shed over the brawls between fierce armies of plastic pieces.

This year, brooding youngsters in junior years have expressed their dominance in the chequered realm through continuously outsmarting and outthinking their noble opponents. The Junior B team fought valiantly within their division to emerge fantastically in second place. Shortly thereafter, the Junior A team waded through seas of opponents creating an undefeated reign across their superb season completing the tournament in 1<sup>st</sup> place. These triumphant challengers: Jaden Lanceman, Sam Goodman, Olivia Ng and Ellie Yang will bring honour to the house of Manly Selective Campus contending in the highly

competitive junior finals round. Lastly, we extend our congratulations to the other two junior teams who established their presence in the regional chess community, representing the school for the very first time, and will surely prove to be a reckonable force in future battles.



Sam, Olivia, Ellie and Jaden

Next, the lieutenants of Manly's powerful army, the intermediates, showed seasoned prowess in this year's battles, with the Intermediate B team claiming a rewarding second place in their division. The intermediate grade has proven to be a time in which players truly mature from fast-footed warriors into hardened chess veterans as they prepare to enter the senior grades – a process which all four intermediate teams have surely experienced this year.

To top it off is the seniors, our most experienced generals. Many of us have played every year since our first year at Manly, and our skills today would be unrecognisable to our twelve year old cadet chess brains. More so than anything else, senior chess players must be able to endure the strain of battle for longer than they have ever fought before, with an epic three hour chess match taking place this year, both players refusing to back down, or fall asleep. We, the A team, had a smashing final round with Manly, making it to 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the toughest division we have ever faced. In a similar feat, the D team managed to place 2<sup>nd</sup> in a nail-biting three-way draw that they will surely never forget.

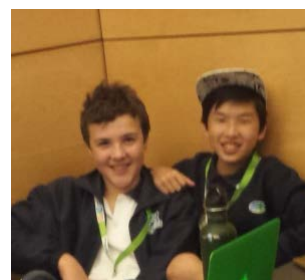
Encounters won and lost, all round the chess division of our school has definitely proven themselves worthy of their fantastic results and placements. I'm sure that apart from our retiring senior fellows many and more students will return or take up arms and compete for our people.

Austin Davis and Harrison Scott

## Robotics

The Year 7 & 8 Robotics Club teams had a good day at the RoboCup Jnr. State tournament last Friday, having a lot of fun and coming 4th and 9th from 40 teams on the day.

Congratulations to both teams: Jayden Hunter, Harry Ross, Ryan Lynch, Joshua Hort, Daniel Shi, Melissa Chen, Stephanie Evans & Mia Shwartz. Thanks to Warwick Edman for supervising and to the parents who came out to watch. New members are always welcome: Room 223A, Wednesdays @ 2.30pm.



Carlo Manfredini & Mark Lynch  
Co-ordinators

## Hip Hop workshop

We are looking into hiring a hip hop teacher to run some hip hop workshops for students.

If you are interested, or would like more information, please sign up on the sheet on the Dance noticeboard (opposite the Performance Space).

All levels of experience are welcome, from absolute beginner to advanced, and we want to especially encourage any boys to take part. Please contact Ms Woodward if you have any questions.

## Tell Them from Me Parent Survey

Over the last two weeks of this term, all parents of students at the Manly Selective Campus will again have the opportunity to complete the Tell Them from Me Parent Survey. These questions are designed to examine a variety of aspects of our school that will enhance our learning environment and build stronger ties within our school community.

The survey involves a variety of multiple choice and short answer questions allowing parents to have their say on the education of their children. These include areas such as:

- communication between the school and parents
- student homework levels
- support methods for student learning
- student wellbeing
- strengths of the school
- what parents would like to see more of at the school

This information will be gathered for analysis by the school during Term 4 and compared to the results from 2015. These findings will be used to enhance the learning environment for your child. In the coming week, an email will be sent to parents notifying them of how to log in and access the survey, as well as the closing date of the survey window. All data gathered will be anonymous and information will be kept for the sole use of our school.

We thank you in advance for taking the time to complete this survey and look forward to implementing the feedback provided to continue providing the best educational environment for your child.

## From the Archives

This week has been designated SASS Appreciation Week. We found this gem in the 1974 Pines Magazine, and it has given our office staff quite a laugh. Of course, nothing changes that much; more than 40 years later they are still 'pleasant ladies'

### THE HUB

*'The wheel has come full Circle and we are here.'*  
*In some ways, this is connected with the hub of Manly Boys High School and the pleasant ladies of the Clerical Staff. Each lady is an individual personality and despite the fact that they are*

*women, have behaved in a most mature and sensible manner.*

*Efficiency, common sense and co-operation is always the product of this fine selection of people who come under the heading of Clerks. The term 'clerk' takes its meaning from one who can write, and the women of the Clerical Staff, seldom absent, always cheerful, have written large in the administration of Manly Boys High School.*

*They are to be congratulated for bringing their personality and professional talents to a respected unity under the guidance of Mrs Barnes, and will no doubt continue to add to the excellent organisation of the school.*

A Head  
English Master

## P&C News



The P&C is looking for a new secretary to join our committee. If you can spare 2 nights per term to come to the meetings then we'd love to see you. An outline of the role is detailed below.

### Secretary Role

The key task is to carry out the administrative tasks related to the decisions of the P&C which includes:

- Preparing meeting agendas
- Drafting the meeting minutes for distribution to members
- Receiving and tabling all correspondence.

If you are interested or have any queries please contact Michael Jee, P&C President on [mike.n.jee@gmail.com](mailto:mike.n.jee@gmail.com) or 0498 498 798

**Volunteers Thank You**  
**Wednesday 14 September**

One of the things that makes Manly such a great school is our volunteer community – and we'd like to say THANK YOU!

Parents and friends volunteer in so many ways at MSC in the canteen, behind the scenes at the musical, with the band program/performances, at our working bees for the grounds and costume store, at the clothing pool, organising and serving at Open Days, Welcome Events and Fundraisers, being part of the P&C Committees and in so many other areas! It makes such a huge difference here at the school and now it's our turn to say 'Thanks' and an opportunity for you to meet some other MSC parents and friends.

If you've volunteered in any capacity at MSC over the past year, please come and join us on **Wednesday 14 September from 6:30pm to 8:30pm** in the Foyer for a drink or two, some light finger food and a little light networking amongst your school community.

We do need numbers for catering, so please RSVP to Sue at [sue.lumb@asx.com.au](mailto:sue.lumb@asx.com.au)

Hope you can come along and join us.



## Bands of Manly Selective Campus

### Swing into Spring Cocktail party

Thank you to the parents that came along and made this night such a successful social evening. Michael Meadows as MC was perfect, the decorations were

fantastic, food was excellent, including the home-baked brownies, and Jazz Orchestra and Jazz Combo played exceptionally, encouraging parents to hit the dance floor. The generosity of all who attended meant that the evening raised just over \$13 000 which will be divided between P&C and the band program.

Thank you to all those band parents and students who helped, but a special thanks go to Diane Palmer, Maggi Smith, Natalie Roberts, Jane Ho, Sue Palmer, Jen Webster, Alison Meadows, Carlo Manfredini, Sharon Nolan, Fiona Russell, Magda Lambrou and Sarah and Josh Dowse. Jazz Orchestra and Jazz Combo were so ably prepared by Craig Driscoll and conducted by Bob Coassin. This was a fabulous school event.

### Musicale Rehearsal

Due to Year 12 HSC performances, the hall won't be available until 4pm. Musicale rehearsal will therefore be from 4-6pm, after which we will need help from some students to pack the truck with instruments

## Musicale 2016

**Sunday 18 September**

### Independent Theatre

**Bookings can now be made online on the Independent Theatre's website for Musicale 2016**, the bands' premier music event! It's always a very special and heartfelt concert to showcase our senior bands in a beautiful theatre setting and farewell our Year 12 band students. This is a concert well worth attending for the whole school community, so please book ASAP and invite friends and family.

#### Bookings:

<http://www.theindependent.org.au>

Go to What's on: September

<http://sa2.seatadvisor.com/sabo/servlets/EventSearch?presenter=AUIINDEPENDENT&event=MANLY16&killLogin=true>  
<http://www.theindependent.org.au/#!/bands-of-manly-selective-campus/rwhttp>  
<https://www.facebook.com/events/326004791067557/>

### Band Diary Dates

#### Term 3

- Musicale Rehearsal, Friday 16 September 4-6pm, MSC: SWO/JO/CO/SE
- Musicale, Sunday 18 September 6pm, Independent Theatre: SWO/JO/CO/SE
- Intermediate Band tour: Monday 19 - Thursday 22 September: WE/BB
- Assembly farewell to Year 12, Thursday 22 September, MSC Hall: SB
- Manly Jazz Festival, Saturday 1 October, Manly: JC

### Band web site

For the latest band calendar, handbook and current information go to the band website at [http://manlypandc.org.au/?page\\_id=34](http://manlypandc.org.au/?page_id=34)

### 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 3

Please check all dates and times closer to the event

	<b>WEEK 8</b>
5/09/2016	Year 10 Science excursion ANSTO
6/09/2016	ILP SHOWCASE
6/09/2016	Year 7 Literacy Incursion
7/09/2016	CHS Athletics Carnival
7/09/2016	ILP SHOWCASE
7/09/2016	Principal's Tour of school. 9.30am, bookings essential. Phone 9905 3982.
7/09/2016	Colour Run
7/09/2016	P & C Meeting, 7pm, Library
8/09/2016	CHS Athletics Carnival
8/09/2016	Year 7 Cosmodome incursion
8/09/2016	Year 11 Japanese speaking practice in Room 032
9/09/2016	CHS Athletics Carnival
9/09/2016	Year 10 History/Geography Excursion
9/09/2016	Duke of Ed Silver Pack & Paddle
9/09/2016	SRC Induction Ceremony
9/09/2016	Year 11 Cosmodome
10/09/2016	Duke of Ed Silver Pack & Paddle
11/09/2016	Duke of Ed Silver Pack & Paddle
	<b>WEEK 9</b>
12/09/2016	Year 11 Examinations Commence
13/09/2016	Year 7 History/Geography Excursion
14/09/2016	P&C Thank You to volunteers Evening, 7pm
15/09/2016	Year 9 High Resolves School Action Project
16/09/2016	Musicale Rehearsal
18/09/2016	Musicale
	<b>WEEK 10</b>
19/09/2016	Intermediate Band Tour WE/BB
20/09/2016	Intermediate Band Tour WE/BB
21/09/2016	Intermediate Band Tour WE/BB
22/09/2016	Year 12 Farewell Assembly
22/09/2016	Intermediate Band Tour WE/BB
	<b>END OF TERM 3</b>
10/10/2016	Staff & students return to school

## 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 6 September @ 8.15am**

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

[margaret.martin@optusnet.com.au](mailto:margaret.martin@optusnet.com.au)  
or [christins@ozemail.com.au](mailto:christins@ozemail.com.au)

**Donations of washed good quality uniforms are most welcome and can be left at the office.**

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

We are seeking volunteers to help in the shop. If you are interested please contact us.

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





# Symphonic Wind Orchestra



with performances by

**Jazz Orchestra  
Chamber Orchestra  
& String Ensemble**



**6pm  
Sunday  
18 September**

**The Independent Theatre**  
269 Miller Street North Sydney

Adults \$35  
Concession & Students \$20  
bookings at  
[www.theindependent.org.au](http://www.theindependent.org.au)



**Mainly Selective Campus Presents**

**2016**

**CONCERTS**

**18**

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