



# The Weekly Pines

## Manly Selective Campus

### Northern Beaches Secondary College

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



Acting Principal: Ms Cath Whalan

Deputy Principal: Ms Kathy O'Sullivan

Relieving Deputy Principal: Ms Deb Rixon

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## From the Acting Principal

### Executive Director's Recognition Award

Congratulations to Bianca Hewes, Head Teacher Teaching and Learning, who was recognised for her innovation and creativity at the Executive Director's Recognition Awards on Wednesday. As the award winner from the Warringah Network of Schools, Bianca's outstanding leadership of professional learning of Project Based Learning for teachers and creation of the Praxis program for Year 7 students were shared with the other recipients at the ceremony.

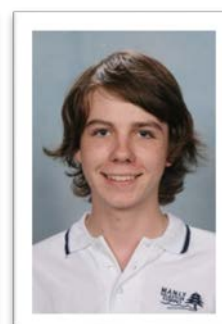


### NSW Combined High Schools Swimming

We have a large contingent of swimmers competing at the NSW Combined High Schools Swimming Championships over the next four days. Congratulations to all students who have been selected through their outstanding performances at the Northern Sydney Regional Carnival and best wishes for continued success at State level.

### UNSW Co-op Program Scholars

On Thursday evening, 3 students from G16 were formally inducted into the UNSW Co-op Program. This highly prestigious program recognises excellence in HSC students and provides significant financial support throughout their course. Congratulations to Austin Davis (Electrical Engineering), Dennis Gann (Software Engineering) and Harrison Scott (Software Engineering) on their achievements.



### Staff Professional Learning

On Monday afternoon, Kathie Lane, the Education Outreach Consultant from Aspect Practice provided an informative and engaging professional learning for teachers to further assist us working with gifted students with autism. Some of the challenges these students experience include:

- understanding emotions in themselves as well as others
- predicting the behaviour of other people and reading their intentions
- taking into account what other people may know or can be expected to know
- seeing connections

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- focusing their attention and inattentiveness to new tasks.
- prioritising and choosing.
- inflexibility with routines; things must be done in a certain order the same way each day
- self-initiating new task or idea
- with transitions - starting and stopping tasks
- planning an approach to a task

As a result of Kathie's presentation, we also were reminded about the significant strengths of these students and how we can assist them to reach their potential both academically and socially. Suggestions included:

- increasing structure and predictability
- using visual strategies
- creating organised learning spaces
- using direct and specific language, emphasising key words
- using positive behaviour supports

For further information, contact Kathie at: <https://www.autismspectrum.org.au/aspect-practice-specialists>

#### **Congratulations to:**

• Xianda R, Elden L and Alanna M who were selected to participate in a music composition workshop coordinated by the Arts Unit, in conjunction with the Academy of St. Martin in the Fields. Our 3 students, amongst the 30 chosen to work with this highly prestigious chamber orchestra, will conclude their experience with an opera house concert.

**Ms Cath Whalan**  
**Acting Principal**

## **From the Deputy Principals**

At the start of this term, Years 8 and 10 students were asked to set themselves personal learning goals. Personal learning goals aim to improve students' learning and achievement and build students' capacity to learn. Research into the motivation and efficiency of students has indicated that students who set their own learning goals and targets tend to achieve more than when working on goals set for them by the teacher or parents. Examples of the goals students set themselves included: receiving a Principal's Award, getting better grades in Mathematics, starting assessment

tasks when they receive the notification and not leaving it to the night before.

At the start of the year, I also set myself the goal of getting to know students in Years 8 and 10 better. Throughout the term I have been hosting morning tea for students in these year groups. It has been great to learn more about the students and to hear their thoughts about a variety of things that happen in the school. It is something that I look forward to every Wednesday and Thursday and I hope the students do too.



Year 12 are progressing well in their Half Yearly examinations, with most students more than half way through their examinations. Results and feedback from these assessments will be provided early next term to assist students with their future learning. The Year 12 Parent / Teacher night on Tuesday 23 May will also provide an opportunity for parents and students to meet with teachers and discuss further strategies to ensure students are working towards their personal best.

**Ms Kathy O'Sullivan**  
**Deputy Principal - Years 8, 10, 12**

A reminder that Year 7 Parent Teacher night is Term 2, Week 2, Thursday 4 May. An email will be sent next Thursday 6 April to parents with information about how to book a time to see your child's teacher. There will be only one session time allocated per child per subject. Year 7 Scripture starts next week and runs into Term 2. Classes are based on the nominations for scripture made on the initial enrolment forms. Last Tuesday I had the pleasure of attending the Year 7 Praxis presentations. Our guest panel was so impressed with the high quality of the presentations. We certainly have some budding journalists amongst our Year 7 cohort. Congratulations to our wonderful teachers involved in this fabulous

project, Bianca Hewes, Kate Munro and James Blanch.

At our school this year we are very proud of participation in the Duke of Edinburgh Award program and each year it grows in popularity. Year 9 students have truly embraced the program that challenges them both mentally and physically with activities that include overnight adventurous hikes, volunteering within their local community, developing new skills to assist their self-growth e.g. team work and leadership plus participating in regular physical activity.

This week Year 11 were involved in many extra-curricular activities including a drama performance "The Small Poppies" and Urban Challenge. I had the good fortune of seeing our talented Year 11 Drama class on Monday night. They also directed the play, designed the lighting and sound and made all the set and props. Many thanks to their teacher Ms Colby for her behind the scenes efforts. Urban Challenge was a new addition to our Crossroads Program this year. It involved a great amount of organisation by Ms Walker (Year 11 Year Adviser). From all reports our students had a wonderful day building team relationships, problem solving plus enjoy getting to know their own city.

Thank you to all involved.

**Ms Deb Rixon**  
**Deputy Principal – Years 7, 9, 11**

## Craft Club

This week we had another fantastic crafternoon! The room was buzzing with all sorts of activities and some beautiful things were produced. Remember, that anyone can come and enjoy this experience every Tuesday at lunchtime in Room 141.

Also, a reminder to parents and friends that any art/craft supply donations would be extremely appreciated and can be given to Ms Giuffrida in the English staffroom. Things that we could use are:

- Coloured / designer paper and cardboard
- Textas and coloured pencils
- Glue
- Craft embellishments



## Wraps for Love

It's knitting time! - *Wraps for Love* is an activity that involves all Manly Selective Campus – students, teachers, parents and grandparents.

If interested, drop in to the Library and collect some wool and/or needles to start knitting squares.

Any donations of 8 ply wool, squares, size 8 (old needles) or 4mm (new size) would help the *Manly Wraps for Love* knitters



Any knitters interested in knitting, the squares are 50 stitches by 50 rows of garter stitch (all plain).

Thank you

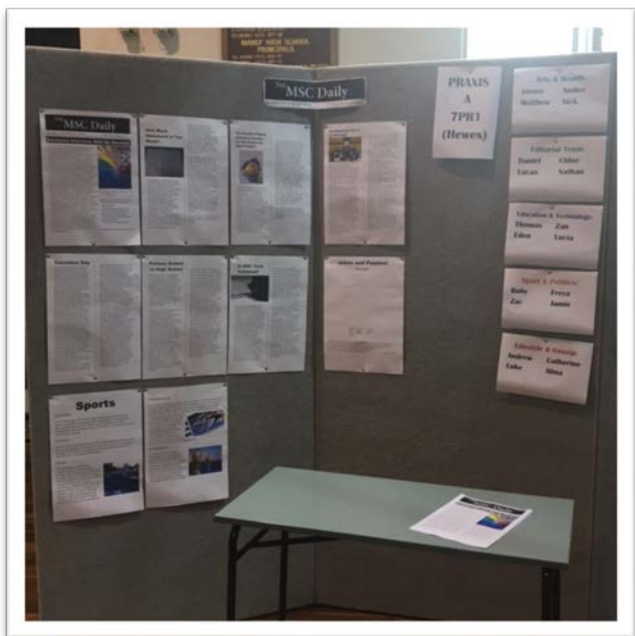
**Ms Barbara Harrison**  
**Librarian**



## Praxis

### How can our MSC News Corps maintain its integrity whilst staying ahead of the pack?

For the duration of term one, Year 7 have been adopting the role of journalists to explore the concept of integrity whilst honing their collaborative and critical thinking skills. Each class transformed into a news corps, within which students worked in either a journalist team, or an editorial team. Journalist teams had students working as interviewers, photographers, researchers, and writers, whereas editorial teams had students working as production editors, copy editors, and editorial writers. Each news corps was given the responsibility of publishing a first edition newspaper which needed to include eight stories and an editorial. The news corps were given just one three-hour Praxis session in which to meet their deadline – that included selecting story ideas, gathering content (research, interviews, photographs), writing a draft, having the draft edited, and then the production editor created the final paper. It was an impressive feat, and all classes met their deadline!



The following Praxis sessions, students worked as investigative journalists, reading through the six published Praxis papers with a critical eye in order to find examples of sensationalism, plagiarism, misleading information, misrepresentations of events, and straight up fake news. Once each news corps had identified the two or three stories they

felt revealed a lack of journalistic integrity, they then collaborated as a whole class to select the best argument and evidence to support them. This content then was then used as the basis for their Media Watch style segment, with each class responsible for script-writing, filming, and editing their video. Another big ask, but our journalists came through and produced impressive products!



On Tuesday, Year 7 students from Praxis A classes presented their final products to an all-star guest panel – Media Watch host Paul Barry, Reuters Deputy Chief Jonathan Barrett, author and SMH journalist Andrew P Street, and SMH video journalist Nick Ryan. Each news corps had two or three representatives speak about their experience working as journalists for the News Sim project, reflecting on whether they maintained their integrity as journalists, and why they believed critical thinking and collaboration are important skills for young people (and journalists) to master.

We then got to watch each team's Media Watch video, which were insightful, funny, and clever. Our invited guests were incredibly impressed by the work produced by Year 7, and were shocked to discover that it had been created under such tight deadlines, reflecting the real-world experience of journalists.



Congratulations to the students from the three Praxis A classes, and a big thank you to the hard work of the Praxis teachers to support our budding young journalists.

**Ms Bianca Hewes**  
English / Head Teacher Teaching and Learning



## Year 12 PDHPE

In preparation for their Half Yearly Examinations, Year 12PDHPE attended the Sports Science Unit at Narrabeen recently. The day consisted of theory revision and the practical application of their knowledge to Energy Systems, Training Types, Training Methods and Recovery Strategies.

Students even got a glimpse of the Australia Rugby Sevens in training. I would like to wish all Year 12 students the best for their upcoming PDHPE Half Yearly Examination.

**Ms Jen Walker**  
PDHPE





## The Entertainment Book



A reminder to anyone interested that Early Bird Bonus Offers for *The Entertainment Book* close on Monday 3 April. This year, all funds raised will be used to upgrade the Performance Space.

For those of you who haven't experienced the benefits of the digital version of *The Entertainment Book* yet, those that have made the switch have found it incredibly easy to use and use it substantially more than they had previously with the hard-copy version.

A few benefits of the digital version are:

- You don't need to carry around the book
- You get access to it almost immediately – just download *The Entertainment Book* app so no need to wait for the actual book
- You can easily see on a map all the eligible restaurants and activities (e.g. cinemas, bowling) around your current location or in a specific area
- You can easily look up if the restaurant you are currently eating in has a discount before paying the cheque
- You can share it amongst a few people to each have on their phones for any time they're out

Either version (digital or hard-copy) costs \$70, with 20% of all sales going to the school for the Performance Space, while only a few nights out throughout the year will easily recoup the initial cost.

So if you're interested in helping the school out while making some big savings, go to the following to order your copy:

<https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/20042i6>

**Mr Jamie Kay**

## Bus Number Change

### School bus number changes



#### Route 703n From 24 April 2017

To eliminate duplication of route numbers, a school special bus service will be renumbered.

The 703n from Mona Vale towards Balgowlah will be renumbered 689n.

Please note this change will not alter the departure time or the route taken by this service. The only change is to the three-digit route number of this service

The 750n terminating at Brookvale Shops will not be renumbered.

For your complete timetable, go to [transportnsw.info](http://transportnsw.info), click on the School Students link and select your school.

Visit [transportnsw.info](http://transportnsw.info)  
Call 131 500 TTY 1800 637 500



## School Finance

### Changes coming

#### Manly Selective Campus

will transition to the new NSW Public Schools'

finance system and a new bank account on **22 May 2017**. To ensure a smooth transition, there will be changes to the way we accept payments from parents and carers.

### *Everything stays the same until 12 May 2017*

#### Direct deposits (POP – Parent Online Payment):

As of **12 May 2017**, we will no longer accept direct deposits into our current school bank account as we prepare to close this account and transition to the new one. Any payments made using direct deposit (POP) after this date cannot be properly allocated to a student's account in a timely manner. Please ensure you have made any outstanding direct deposits before **12 May 2017**.

**EFTPOS payments:** We will not be able to accept EFTPOS payments between **17 May and 22 May 2017**. Please ensure that you have made any outstanding EFTPOS payments before **17 May, 2017**. From **23 May 2017**, EFTPOS payments will be accepted as before.

**Cash and cheque payments:** Between **17 May 2017 and 22 May 2017**, we will also not be able to accept payments by cash or cheque as we prepare to close our current bank account and transition to the new one. Please ensure that you have made any outstanding cash or cheque payments before **17 May 2017**. From **23 May 2017**, cash and cheque payments will be accepted as before.

A note from Westpac about your financial privacy: Please note: As a Westpac-hosted solution, cardholder and account details will be held securely helping to protect the school and its customers from fraudulent transactions as well as assisting in meeting the Payment Card Industry Data Security Standard (PCIDSS) compliance requirements.

### *After 23 May, everything returns to normal*

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we transition to our new finance system.

If you have any questions, please contact Judy Boylan, the School Administrative Manager.

Email: [Judy.Boylan@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:Judy.Boylan@det.nsw.edu.au)



## From the Archives

1985 again. This time we found an article in our Pines magazine of that year regarding International Youth Year written by Ian Colston, Year 10.

### International Youth Year

The International Youth Year 1985 was planned by the United Nations back in 1979 which if you cast your memories back was 'the Year of the Child'. After the enormous success of 1979 the United Nations saw the importance of youth participation in shaping an international future world based on peace and understanding. We are the future, and by having years like T.Y.O.T.C. '79, and I.Y.Y. '85 we have an increased opportunity to 'participate' and voice our opinions on any issues concerning us.

It was hoped by having an International Youth Year more attention would have focused on youth and the social and economic problems which affect them. Not only has this been achieved but youth has also placed enormous pressure upon the government concerning such matters as: the Uranium policy, the enlarging (Chinese-Indian) Malaysian problem at our tertiary institutions, America's involvement in South and Central America, and the Apartheid policy in South Africa.

International Youth Year should be thought of for 'the youth'. We created the slogan for I.Y.Y. 'creating tomorrow today' and this slogan expresses the optimism we share not only for 1985 but for future years, and future generations to come.



# Careers Matters

## Changes to 2018 Admissions University Admission Centre

UAC has released a number of admission changes for 2018. These include reducing the number of course preferences from 9 to 5, an offer round after ATAR release and before Christmas, no restrictions on the making of offers in the early offer rounds;

HSC Minimum Literacy and Numeracy Standards. There are no changes to the ATAR Eligibility Rules at the moment.

For more information go to:

<http://www.uac.edu.au>

## US College Fair

Thursday 4 May  
Redlands Hall 272 Military Road Mosman  
5.30-7.30pm

In attendance large variety of US Colleges.

## School Holidays Macquarie in a Day

Wednesday 19 and Thursday 20 April

Register at [mq.edu.au](http://mq.edu.au)

For Year 10 and 11 students who wish to learn more about courses on offer.

CSU is also holding a **MY DAY YOUR UNIVERSITY FOR A DAY** on the following dates.

Albury Wodonga - Friday 12 May

Bathurst - Monday 10 April, 9 June and 16 June

Wagga Wagga - Friday April 7, Monday 10 and Tuesday 11 April and Monday 3 and Tuesday 4 July for Animal and Veterinary sciences.

[csu.edu.au/myd](http://csu.edu.au/myd)

## UNSW Workshops

Years 10,11,12 students are invited to join Build Environment workshops 10-21 April 9.30-3.00pm

Register at

[be.unsw.edu.au/future-students-night](http://be.unsw.edu.au/future-students-night)

## Sydney College of the Arts Information Session and Portfolio Day

Saturday 7 October 10am to 1pm to help future students prepare their portfolio for entry into B. Visual Arts and B Visual Arts / B Advanced Studies. Portfolios are to be submitted to SCA by 5pm 17 November.

## MSC Careers Workshops for Term 2

Tuesday 2 May	UTS
Thursday 4 May	Professional Cadetship Australia
Tuesday 9 May	UNSW
Tuesday 16 May	UTS Accounting Scholarships
Tuesday 23 May	ANU
Tuesday 1 June	Defence Forces
Tuesday 6 June	Coop Scholarships UNSW
Tuesday 13 June	Global Volunteering
Thursday 15 June	Institute of Actuaries

## Careers Contacts

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Careers Adviser Ms Helen Crebar  
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## MSC Careers Website

[www.manlyselectivecampuscareers.com](http://www.manlyselectivecampuscareers.com)



## Bands of MSC

### Senior Band and Strings camp: Week One, Term Two

All outstanding payments and forms are required by Monday 3 April at the latest to enable plans to be finalised before the end of term.



### Generations in Jazz Festival: Mt Gambier

Final instalment invoice is due for payment by Friday 31 March.

### New and Second Hand Band Blazers (for formal band uniform)

Pickles have requested blazer orders be placed by Monday 17 April to guarantee delivery before the NSW Band Festival in July, when they will be needed by all band members.

Those wishing to buy or sell a second-hand blazer, please contact parent Dianne Turner at [moogiet@optusnet.com.au](mailto:moogiet@optusnet.com.au). We only have a small number of second hand blazers available at present.

#### Term Two

### Senior band and String Ensemble camp

Wednesday 26 - Friday 28 April at Kurrajong:  
SWO/JO/SE

### Generations in Jazz Festival, Mt Gambier

Friday 5 - Sunday 7 May: JO, JC

### Term 2 Band Meeting

Monday 22 May, MSC Library, 8pm: All Welcome

### NSW Band Festival

Saturday 27 or Sunday 28 May, UNSW: JO

**Northern Beaches Instrumental Festival** Saturday  
17 June, Pittwater High School: CO

#### Term Three

**Wind and jazz band workshop** (pupil free day)  
Monday 17 July- at MSC (Compulsory)

### NSW Band Festival

Saturday 22 July at UNSW: SWO

### NSW Band Festival

Sunday 23 July at UNSW: CB/WE/SwB/SB/BB

### Australian Schools Orchestral Festival

UNSW, Sunday 27 August: SE/CO

**Musicale** at The Independent Theatre, North Sydney, Saturday 16 September: SWO/JO/SE/CO

### Band web site

For 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

## SECOND HAND UNIFORMS

LOCATED UNDER THE TAS BLOCK

Next Open Tuesday 4 April 8:15am

Open first Tuesday of the month:  
8:15am – 9:30am

& the third Thursday of the month:  
1:30pm-2:30pm

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)

[christins@ozemail.com.au](mailto:christins@ozemail.com.au)

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

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

For second hand band blazers (buy & sell)  
please contact

Diane Turner: [moogiet@optusnet.com.au](mailto:moogiet@optusnet.com.au)

For new and preloved band polo shirts please  
contact

Kim Luong: [kimmanlyband@gmail.com](mailto:kimmanlyband@gmail.com)

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## Calendar Term 1

Please check all dates and times closer to the event

Week 11	
2/04/2017	CHS Swimming
3/04/2017	CHS Swimming
3/04/2017	Year 11 Geography Excursion, Bantry Bay
4/04/2017	CHS Swimming
6/04/2017	Year 9 Forensic Science Incursion

## Calendar Term 2

Please check all dates and times closer to the event

Week 1	
24/04/2017	Senior Band Camp
24/04/2017	Staff Development Day
25/04/2017	Senior Band Camp
25/04/2017	Anzac Day Public Holiday
26/04/2017	Senior Band Camp
27/04/2017	Senior Band Camp
28/04/2017	Senior Band Camp
28/04/2017	Past band camp concert at MSC at 6pm TBC
28/04/2017	School Cross Country
Week 2	
1/05/2017	Year 9 Bundanon Art Camp
2/05/2017	Year 9 Bundanon Art Camp
2/05/2017	Year 10 into 11 Subject Selection Evening
3/05/2017	Year 9 Bundanon Art Camp
4/05/2017	Year 7 Parent Teacher night
5/05/2017	School Athletics Carnival (Back up day 12/5)
7/05/2017	P & C Grounds Working Bee TBC, 9am-1pm
Week 3	
9/05/2017	NAPLAN Year 7 and 9
10/05/2017	NAPLAN Year 7 and 9
11/05/2017	NAPLAN Year 7 and 9
Week 4	
15/05/2017	High Resolves - Year 7 9am-1:30pm
16/05/2017	Zone Cross Country, Rat Park (Back up 18/5)
19/05/2017	Year 7 Zoo Excursion, full school uniform, all day

Week 5	
22/05/2017	Band Meeting at 8pm Library
22/05/2017	Year 8 High Resolves, 9am-1:30pm
22/05/2017	Project Penguin Brookvale Project Day 1, 9am-12pm
23/05/2017	Year 12 Parent Teacher night
23/05/2017	Project Penguin Curl Curl Project Day 1, 9am-12pm
26/05/2017	Zone Athletics Carnival
Week 6	
31/05/2017	Project Penguin Curl Curl Project Day 2, 9am-12pm
31/05/2017	Project Penguin Brookvale Project Day 2, 9am-12pm
1/06/2017	Year 12 Economics UBS Excursion, 8:30am
3/06/2017	Year 12 Japanese Speaking workshop @ North Sydney BHS
Week 7	
6/06/2017	Year 8 Parent Teacher night
6/06/2017	School Assembly Indigenous Speaker
6/06/2017	Year 11 Parent Teacher night
8/06/2017	Project Penguin Brookvale Project Day 3, 9am-12pm
8/06/2017	Project Penguin Curl Curl Project Day 3, 9am-12pm
9/06/2017	Regional Cross Country, Gosford
9/06/2017	SRC Night of Stars
Week 8	
12/06/2017	QB Public Holiday
14/06/2017	Years 11 & 12 Careers Night 6.30pm
16/06/2017	Musical all day rehearsal, 9am-3:20pm
Week 9	
19/06/2017	School musical
20/06/2017	School musical
21/06/2017	School musical
22/06/2017	School musical
22/06/2017	Project Penguin Expo Day at Zoo, all day
23/06/2017	School musical
24/06/2017	School musical
25/06/2017	School musical
Week 10	
27/06/2017	Vaccinations Year 11 and 12

*A good teacher can inspire hope,  
ignite the imagination, and instill a love  
of learning.*  
**Brad Henry**