



The Weekly Pines

Northern Beaches Secondary College

Manly Campus



Academic Excellence ★ Personal Best ★ Giving Back to the Community

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From the Principal

Year 12 2019

Year 12 students have almost completed their HSC with the final papers for Physics, Spanish Beginners and Design and Technology to be held on Monday. Special thanks go to Kathy O'Sullivan and Lina Izosimova for supporting Year 12 throughout their HSC journey and to Tony Garman and his outstanding team of invigilators for ensuring the examinations are running so smoothly.

We look forward to recognising and celebrating the achievements of our Year 12 students at the Graduation Ceremony next Wednesday afternoon. Students are requested to arrive by 3:45pm so that we can start the ceremony promptly at 4:00pm. After the ceremony, parents, students and teachers are invited to stay for the afternoon tea, kindly catered for by Year 11 parents, before Year 12 depart for their formal.

Healthy School Canteen

Congratulations to our school canteen for satisfactorily meeting the guidelines of the NSW Healthy School Canteen Strategy. We know our canteen is one of the best in the State and are most thankful for the time and effort staff and volunteers contribute to provide such a wonderful resource for our students. Special thanks to Catherine Yetts and Mel Timms for all the work undertaken to ensure the canteen met the rigorous guidelines.



Year 9 Camp

The Year 9 camp to Forster next week has been moved due to recent fires and ongoing fire risk in the Darawank area. Fortunately we have been able to secure a booking at Morrisset which will take place in Week 6 from 18-20 November. We apologise for any inconvenience this may have caused, however the wellbeing of students and staff is first and foremost.

HSC Minimum Standard

To achieve an HSC in 2021 and beyond, Year 10 students must sit the HSC minimum standard online tests in reading, writing and numeracy. Each of the three tests are of 45 minutes duration and the

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numeracy and reading tests consist of 45 multiple choice questions.

Today our students completed the Numeracy test and they will complete the Writing and Reading tests on Monday. Further details about the HSC Minimum Standards are provided later in this newsletter.

Strings Soiree and Jazz Night Out

Next weekend is a busy one for band students and families. Everyone is invited to the Strings Soiree at Mosman Art Gallery next Friday 15 November starting at 7pm. No bookings are required, but there will be a small entrance fee at the door.

Unfortunately, bookings are now closed for The Jazz Night Out on the following evening. These annual events are highlights of the band program and provide a chance to celebrate the outstanding performance levels achieved by our most impressive musicians and conductors.

Congratulations

Congratulations to four of our Stage 6 Visual Arts students were selected as finalists in the NSW Public Schools *Arts Alive Film Festival* held at the Dendy Quays Cinema on Tuesday 29 October. Ella Fu, Kiana Hishi and Jackie Lu (Year 11) all received bronze awards for their short films submissions, while Harry Peters (Year 12) received a gold award. All finalists were chosen out of a large pool of entries across multiple regions.

Cath Whalan
Principal

From the Deputies



The Student Wellbeing Hub is a website funded by the Australian Government Department of Education and provided by Education Services Australia.

It is based on the **Student Wellbeing Framework** which acknowledges the fundamental importance of wellbeing in a school environment, including students, families and school staff, to ensure safe and trusting relationships in a positive

learning environment so that wellbeing and students can flourish.

The website has a **parent's section** that includes information about primary and secondary students including;

- **Wellbeing topics** such as encouraging online safety, supporting your child to make responsible decisions, your child's mental and physical health
- **Links to resources** about many topics such as healthy eating, drugs and alcohol, safety, mental health and support for mental health, bullying, and online safety. The resources can be filtered by year group and format.

This website contains a very thorough collection of resources and information about Wellbeing topics for the whole school community. There is a **student section** as well.

The Student Wellbeing Hub provides an opportunity to subscribe to a newsletter, as well as to check the Facebook page for more information.

<https://studentwellbeinghub.edu.au/parents/>

Kathy O'Sullivan - Deputy Principal 8, 10, 12

Alex Newcomb - Deputy Principal 7, 9, 11

HSC Minimum Standard

The HSC minimum standard

The HSC minimum standard is part of an effort to improve the literacy and numeracy outcomes for students. From 2020, students in NSW will need to demonstrate a minimum standard of literacy and numeracy to receive their HSC. The HSC minimum standard is a way of supporting and ensuring students have a functional level of literacy and numeracy.

The HSC minimum standard is set at Level 3 of the Australian Core Skills Framework which outlines the functional skills used in everyday life, for work and further study.

This framework provides detailed information on the three areas in which the students will be tested: Reading, Writing and Numeracy.

How does a student show that they have achieved the HSC minimum standard?

If a student sat the 2017 NAPLAN test and earned a band 8 in reading, writing and numeracy they will be deemed as meeting the HSC minimum standard in Reading, Writing and Numeracy and will not have to sit the HSC minimum standard tests. Any student, regardless of when they complete their HSC, who did not receive a band 8 in reading, writing or numeracy in 2017 NAPLAN will be required to sit the HSC minimum standard test in all areas in which they did not receive a band 8.

The student must achieve a level 3 in each test. This aligns with level 3 of the Australian Core Skills Framework (ACSF) which is considered the level required to function in everyday life, for work and further study.

The current Year 10 and the online HSC minimum standard tests

To achieve an HSC in 2021 and beyond, all students must sit the HSC minimum standard online tests in reading, writing and numeracy. Each of the three tests are of 45 minutes duration. The writing test consists of a response of up to 500 words to one written or visual prompt, and the other two are 45 multiple choice questions.

Schools will advise you when your child will sit the online tests. Before doing this, however, students can complete the online practice tests at school using their Schools Online account as many times as is practicable.

Once the HSC minimum standard is achieved in all three areas, a student is eligible to receive the HSC.

The administration of these tests is an important job in a school. Parent support of this administration is very important, especially in ensuring student attendance. A letter will be sent to parents/carers about the timing of the tests. Having students attend school punctually and ready to sit the test will be very much appreciated by the team of staff involved.

The current Year 11 and the HSC 2020

Students sitting the HSC in 2020 will be the first to have their HSC linked to a minimum standard. For

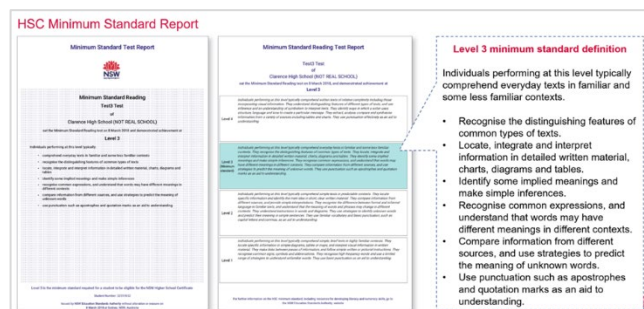
these students now in Year 11, the minimum standard is linked to their 2017 Year 9 NAPLAN results. Many students have already met the standard through achieving a band 8 or higher in all three areas: reading, writing and numeracy.

Those who are yet to achieve the standard will sit online tests in the area where they achieved below a band 8 in numeracy, reading or writing.

Students can sit the online tests twice a year, in Year 11 and 12 and up to five years after they start the HSC.

What is a minimum standard report?

Students can access their minimum standard test results through their Schools Online account. They can also print a minimum standard report that clearly shows the level (1-4) that they achieved in the test. Level 3 is the minimum standard.



Year 10 minimum standards schedule

- Friday 8 November – Numeracy
- Monday 11 November – Writing and Reading

2020 Orientation Day – Help Required

Manly Campus is excited to welcome the new cohort for 2020. Orientation day for Year 7 2020 will be held on Tuesday 3 December and on Wednesday 4 December for new students in Year 8-11 2020.

To give our new students and their parents and caregivers a wonderful first welcome, we need your help! If you can spare some time on either of the above mentioned mornings to help with setting up, serving morning tea or helping in the second hand uniform shop. Please contact our parent coordinator for this Olena on fiola2000@gmail.com

Musical Archive Request

Judy Boylan is compiling a musical archive for Manly Campus and is looking for a copy of programs for both *Into the Woods* (2004) and *Fiddler on the Roof* (2007). If you have a copy of either of these programs, Judy would like to borrow them for copying to complete the musical archive, please contact her on judy.boylan22@gmail.com

Year 7 and Year 10

Vaccinations

NSW Health will be offering the following free vaccinations to all Year 7 and 10 students on 19 November.

Year 7 Students

— Human Papillomavirus (HPV) Dose 2.

Also HPV dose 1 and Diphtheria-Tetanus-Pertussis vaccine to those students who didn't have it earlier this year.

Year 10 Students

— Meningococcal ACWY, for those who missed it last term.

Consent Forms: A new consent form is not required for Year 7 students having their 2nd dose of HPV, and for those students who have handed in a form but were absent from the previous clinic.

The information and consent form pack is available from reception for any student who has not yet handed in a form and requires the vaccination. The nurses will be unable to vaccinate your child if there is no signed consent card.

Please ensure that your child has a good breakfast on the morning of the vaccinations, and that they wear their sports shirt for ease of vaccination.

Debating Inter-zone

Finalists

Should Year 7 and 8 students be forced to get a part-time job for three hours every weekend?

NBSC Manly Campus Year 8 debating team wrestled with this question in the recent Northern Sydney inter-zone final of the Premier's Debating Challenge. Team members Isabelle Stapf-Giannakis, Felicity Murray, Genevieve Bauder and Michael Hawkins argued that such a policy would be detrimental for children of this age and that it lacked consideration of the diverse needs of families and the complexities of workforce participation. However, the opposing



Pictured: Manly Campus and St Ives High junior debaters

affirmative team from St Ives High School were able to convince the adjudicator that this policy would not cause undue harm to children, and the debate was eventually awarded to St Ives.

Why is debating important? It builds confidence, enhances the democratic ideal of free speech and fosters critical thinking and analytical skills. Well done to both teams!

Madeleine Koo
Debating Coordinator

Year 12 Engineering Studies

Year 12 2020 Engineering Studies students visited the University of Wollongong to take part in a series of practical demonstrations and lectures related to their Engineering HSC content. Material analysis, biomedical engineering, electrical engineering, automotive construction and civil engineering were just a few of the disciplines encountered, which



allowed students to consider future study and career options. They returned to school with an enhanced understanding of course content and are very grateful to the University of Wollongong, whose research and educational facilities were outstanding.

Jo Drew
TAS

New NBSC Manly Campus School App



A reminder that NBSC Manly Campus has updated to a new School App, School Enews. To download, please go to the App store and search for School Enews. Once you have downloaded the app, click on the + and type in **NBSC Manly Campus**, the select done.

The App is a great way to keep connected with Manly Campus life.

We encourage all families to download the App to have access to these facilities.

Upcoming Events

Year 12 Graduation Ceremony

Wednesday 13 November 2019
Freshwater Senior Campus Gymnasium
Arrive 3:45pm for a 4pm start

Strings Soiree

Friday 15 November
Mosman Art Gallery, 7pm
Entry – Gold coin donation

Year 9 Camp

***Date and Venue change**
Monday 18 November – Wednesday 20 November
Morriset

School Spectacular

22 & 23 November
Matinee and Evening Performances
Qudos Bank Arena, Sydney Olympic Park

SECOND HAND UNIFORMS

LOCATED NEAR THE CANTEEN

Next open

Thursday 21 November
and Tuesday 10 December 8:15am-9:30am

Coordinator Marg Martin - Please contact Marg if you would like to place an order margaret.martin@optusnet.com.au

Donations of washed good quality uniforms are most welcome and can be left at the school office. Proceeds go to the P&C for school improvement projects.

For second hand band blazers (buy & sell) contact Sarah Cole: sarahcole24@gmail.com

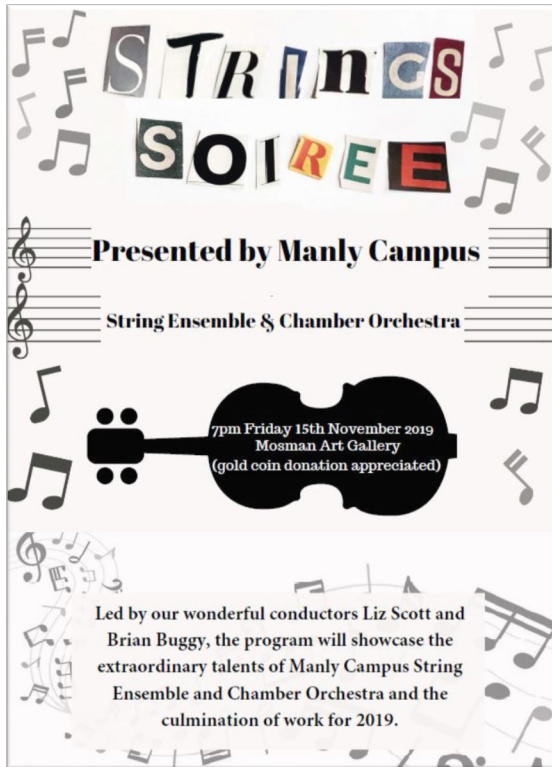
Washed and pressed uniform donations, particularly smaller sizes, are needed and would be very much appreciated for our upcoming Orientation Day in December. Please drop off to the school office prior to 3/12.



Strings Soiree, Mosman Art Gallery

Friday 15 November, 7pm

All Manly Campus families are welcome



This will be a beautiful evening of music from String Ensemble and Chamber Orchestra.

No bookings are required. We invite all Manly Campus families to attend this very special event and to bring friends and family members.

Gold coin donation entry.

Please refer to call sheets for plans for rehearsals, dress code and arrival times

Anyone who loves music will really enjoy this night.

Manly Campus Jazz Night Out

Saturday 16 November, Dee Why RSL 6.30pm

Please refer to the call sheet that you received this week for the plans for set up, sound check, rehearsal times and dress code

Junior Band Tour (CB,SWB,SB)

Monday 2 December – Thursday 5 December 2019

Port Macquarie

Thank you for your patience. The details and forms are being finalised and will be sent out next week.

Semester 2 Fees Overdue

Thank you to all families who have paid their fees. We would appreciate payment of any outstanding fees as soon as possible as they are now very overdue.

If you need more time to pay, please contact the band treasurer:

Jill Johnson treasurerbmsc@gmail.com

AGM and Term 4 Band meeting, Monday 25

November 8pm, library

Come to the AGM to find out what's happening with our band program and consider joining the friendly and enthusiastic group of 20+ parents who make up the band committee.

The band committee is especially seeking the involvement of parents from the years 7-10 age groups as parents from senior years are moving on.

Helping our bands – a win/win!

- The band program thrives when good people like you help out.
- Helping out is a fun and truly rewarding way to get to know the students, staff and parents.
- There is a role to fit your work hours, skills and interests – some are regular throughout the year, others are short term.
- Most band committee members are working parents so there is no expectation that you are free mid-week. The committee meets one night per term.
- To find out more, email Band President Mel Corner at andyandmel@gmail.com

Presentation Night

Wednesday 11 December, Freshwater gym SWO

Please note that Symphonic Wind Orchestra will be performing on Presentation Night (this is a change from Wind Ensemble as previously advised).

The call sheet will be sent out nearer the time.

Big Band Bash Christmas - Thursday 12 December, Freshwater gym or Manly Quad (weather dependent) **CONFIRMED DATE**

After many families informed us that Monday 16th Dec was not possible, we have made the decision to keep the date as advertised.

All ensembles play at this informal and fun end of year concert. All Manly Campus families and friends are invited to come along and enjoy the music and celebrate the end of another fantastic year for the Bands of Manly Campus. Please advise your band liaison if your child cannot attend for any unavoidable reason.

Band Calendar

Term Four

Studio Recording

Friday 8 November, TAFE St Leonard's,

11:30am, Covers Band

Year 12 Graduation

Wednesday 13 November, Freshwater Gym, approx. 3-6pm, JO

Orchestral Soiree

Friday 15 November, Mosman Art Gallery SE/CO

Jazz Night Out

Saturday 16 November, Showroom at DY RSL, SwB/SB/BB/JO

AGM and Term 4 Band Meeting,

Monday 25 November, Library, 8pm, all welcome

Junior Band Tour

Monday 2 – Thursday 5 December, Port Macquarie CB/SwB/SB

Year 7 2020 Orientation Day

Tuesday 3 December, Manly Campus hall- WE/SE
Ensembles confirmed

Presentation Night

Wednesday 11 December, Freshwater gym SWO
Change of Ensemble

Big Band Bash Christmas

Thursday 12 December, All Ensembles

Freshwater gym or Manly Quad
(weather dependent) **Date confirmed**

Band Names

Wind Stream:

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

Strings Stream:

SE~String Ensemble; CO~Chamber Orchestra

Jazz Stream/Other:

JO~Jazz Orchestra; BB~Big Band; SB~Stage Band;

Term 4 Calendar

Please check the dates closer to the event

Week 5A	
11/11/2019	Women in Aerospace STEM Day
11/11/2019	Remembrance Day Assembly
13/11/2019	Year 12 Graduation, 4pm, Freshwater Senior Campus Hall
15/11/2019	Ext 2 English Day Sydney University, all day
15/11/2019	Strings Soiree, 7pm, Mosman Art Gallery
16/11/2019	Jazz Night Out, 6:30pm, Dee Why RSL
Week 6B	
18/11/2019	School Spec dance segment rehearsal, 7:15am-4pm, Genea Netball Centre, Sydney Olympic Park
18/11/2019- 20/11/2019	Year 9 Camp -Morriset
19/11/2019	Year 7 HPV dose 2
20/11/2019- 21/11/2019	Schools Spec rehearsals - all day
20/11/2019	Schools Spec combined dance rehearsal, 9am-3pm, Qudos Bank Arena, Sydney Olympic Park
21/11/2019	Year 9 Volunteering Excursion Students to Lifeline
21/11/2019	Year 9-11 Spectacular Science Excursion, all day, Sydney University
22/11/2019- 23/11/2019	Schools Spec matinee and evening performances
Week 7A	
25/11/2019- 29/11/2019	VA exhibition
25/11/2019- 29/11/2019	Year 10 Work Experience and Australian Business Week
25/11/2019	Band Meeting - T4 & AGM, 8pm in the library, all welcome

Week 8B	
2/12/2019- 5/11/2019	Junior Band Tour CB, SwB, SB
2/12/2019	School Orientation Guide Training
3/12/2019	Year 7 2020 orientation day
4/12/2019	New Year 8 -11 2020 students orientation
4/12/2019	P&C Meeting, 7pm in the library, all welcome
6/12/2019	Curiosity Con, all day, in the hall and rooms 30-34
Week 9A	
9/12/2019	Year 8 Science Incursion (Mining), all day
9/12/2019- 10/12/2019	Dance Showcase, 7pm in the Performance Space
10/12/2019	Chrismanly
10/12/2019- 11/12/2019	HSC Music Extension Rehearsal
11/12/2019	Presentation Night, 7pm at Freshwater Senior Campus Gymnasium
12/12/2019	Year 8 Shakespeare festival
12/12/2019	Big Band Bash TBC
13/12/2019- 17/12/2019	Duke of Ed Gold Qualifying, 4 day, 3 night expedition
Week 10B	
17/12/2019	HSC and ATAR Results
17/12/2019	Year 7-10 Activity Day
18/12/2019	Last day of Term 4 for students
18/12/2019	HSC Celebration Morning Tea, 11am
19/12/2019- 20/12/2019	Staff development days

The next issue of *The Weekly Pines* will be Friday 22 November