



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

Orientation Days

On Tuesday and Wednesday morning we had the joy of meeting our new students for 2020 and welcoming them to Manly. The Year 7 Orientation Day program on Tuesday showcased some of the school's creative and performing arts with performances from the dance, vocal, strings and wind ensembles. Students and parents were also given an overview of the school academic and extra-curricular programs and, once again, the school uniform fashion parade was a fun highlight. Year 7 2020 students also met their peer support leaders and had a tour of the school. The Year 8-11 Orientation on Wednesday morning provided an opportunity for our new students to meet other students in their year group as they toured the school, asking questions along the way.

Thank you to the Year 9 Peer Support Leaders, the SRC volunteers, the Year 7 presenters and models and the School Orientation Guides for welcoming our new students and ensuring their transition to high school is an enjoyable experience. Thank you also to Ms Carolan, Ms Rixon, the Office Staff and the P & C volunteers for coordinating and assisting with these events and answering all the questions from the excited students and their parents.

Staff Appreciation Awards

On Wednesday evening we recognised members of our staff who have made a significant contribution to the students of our campus through the Northern Beaches Secondary College, Staff and Community Appreciation Awards.

Recipients from our campus included: Barbara Harrison, Randal Leung, Lina Izosimova, Nick Karandonis, David Martin and Carlynn Yong. Citations read out on the night detailed each person's significant contributions to our school and students, for which we are most appreciative. Thank you also to the many other members of our staff and parent community who would also have been worthy recipients of these awards.

P&C Annual General Meeting

The P&C Association Annual General Meeting held on Wednesday night this week provided an opportunity to reflect on the ongoing support provided for our students, staff and school throughout the past twelve months. Contributions made to the school by the P&C have both improved learning opportunities for students and further enhanced our school environment. The continued improvements to the Library and upgrade of the Hall Stage have been much appreciated by students, staff and parents. Thank you to all involved in the P&C and those who spend many hours volunteering to ensure we provide high quality learning

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opportunities for our students to achieve success across a broad range of areas. Thank you also to our Year 12 parents Jessica Layden, Carlo Manfredini, Karen Willetts, Elana Roseth and Nigel Howard who 'graduated' at the previous P&C meeting. Your many contributions to the P&C over the past six years have been much appreciated.

Also discussed at the AGM was the establishment of a working group for the new multi-use gymnasium for Manly Campus. Please read the P&C article further in this newsletter for more information. Collaboratively we can achieve much for our school.

I look forward to working with our P&C President, Ms Marg Martin, who was re-elected for her second term, along with the P&C executive and all committee leaders to continue to provide the very best of opportunities for our students.

Save the Date - Presentation Night

Next Wednesday is the annual school Presentation Night to be held at Freshwater Campus gymnasium. This is the most important whole school recognition and celebration of academic, sporting, cultural and civic success for the year with over 400 students being recognised for their achievements. Prize winners need to check the noticeboard outside the Library for confirmation of their award. If are unable to attend on the night, please inform Mrs Harrison as soon as possible. All students are expected to be in full school uniform. Parents are reminded that students are required to be at the venue by 6:45 pm for a 7:00pm start.

Big Band Bash

Next Thursday evening the Big Band Bash with Carols by Candlelight promises to be yet another enjoyable event. The evening will be held in the quadrangle, weather permitting, or at Freshwater Campus gymnasium if necessary. All parents and students are invited to come along and join in this annual event of our Bands of Manly program.

ARTEXPRESS

Congratulations to two of our three nominated students who were selected for ARTEXPRESS 2020. Harry Peters' work will be exhibited at the Newington Armory Gallery, Homebush and Moe Iwasawa's at the Hazelhurst Regional Gallery, Gympie, and in a Virtual exhibition.

ICAS English competition

Congratulations to all students in Year 7-10 who participated in the ICAS English competition for 2019. Certificates have been distributed to all students. Once again, Manly performed strongly and the following students achieved a High Distinction (the top 1 per cent of participants in Australia).

Year 7: Annabelle Bartram, Ella Beanland, Tessa Halverson, Thomas Woods

Year 8: Toby Cox

Year 9: Samuel Capell, Max De Vries, Annie-Ming Kowalik, Daniel Martin, Louise McWhinney, Amy Milford, Maxime Schrader, Ruby Tyler, Elinor Williams

Year 10: Abigail Everett, Julian Lee, Mia Rankin



Mo-vember

Congratulations to our students and staff members who participated in Mo-vember and raised almost \$2000 for men's health issues.



Left to right: Mr Somerton, Mr Newcomb, Aidan Campbell, Robin Evans, Loukas Triantis and Mr Forsyth

Congratulations to:

- Andre Mitchell (Year 10) who achieved the School's Highest Standardised Score in the Australian Mathematics Competition.
- Chae-Eun Kim (Year 7) is a member of Majestic Ice Australia and has come 1st place in the Basic Novice synchronized skating division at the Australian Figure Skating Championships on 30th November 2019 in Melbourne.
- Charlotte Camburn (Year 9) who has been selected for the Sydney North Girls Cricket team.
- Chun-Ta Wu (Year 8) who played at the 2019 Australian Schools Golf Championships for the NSW team 15 years and under. He is the boy's championship winner.

In this regular feature, we like to recognize students who have achieved highly in school and community events, competitions and activities. Demonstrations of the school ethos of academic excellence, personal best and giving back to the community deserve to be recognized. Parents are welcome to phone or email the school any achievements that we may not be aware of, for inclusion in The Weekly Pines.

Cath Whalan
Principal

From the Deputies

At the start of the year, students in Years 8 completed a goal setting activity. Students were asked to write a postcard to their future self, outlining what they hope to achieve and what they hope to improve on by the end of this year. In week 10, these students will be receiving their postcards in the mail along with their Semester 2 reports. This is the perfect time for all students to take the time to consider what they have learnt and how they have grown as a learner. Some questions to help get started -

- What are the 2 best memories you have of this year?
- What was your favourite event, excursion or special performance this year?
- In what area do you feel you have improved in the most?
- What are 3 new things you've learned, that you didn't know at the start of the year?
- What's the best piece of work, project or assignment you've done this year?
- What subject have you enjoyed the most? Why?
- What are 6 adjectives you could use to describe the best parts of this year?
- What have you learned about yourself this year?
- What are you most proud of this year?

Kathy O'Sullivan / Alex Newcomb

P&C Working Group for New Gymnasium Project

After years of needing to hold school assemblies in the quad, packing out the hall for musicals, open days and events, working around insufficient space to hold exams, not to mention a complete lack of indoor sports facilities, the P&C in consultation with the school, believe it is time Manly Campus had its own gymnasium. A state-of-the-art multi-use facility would cater for the sporting needs of the Manly Campus enthusiastic and talented student body, as well as providing a space for many of the other needs of the school and community.

To get the ball rolling, we would like to establish a working group early in 2020, initially to develop a concept and brief for discussion.

This exciting project represents a fabulous opportunity to make a significant and lasting difference to the quality of the school experience for Manly Campus students and community for generations to come. To make it happen we will need the support of the entire school community. If you have experience or skills in an area such as design and architecture, communications, fundraising, lobbying or grant applications and would like to be part of the Working Group, we would love to hear from you. Or if you simply would like to get involved in this project with your energy and enthusiasm, please also get in touch.

Please email one of our dedicated Manly Campus parent volunteers Anita Tymkiw at atymkiw@bigpond.net.au if you would like to be involved.

Marg Martin - P&C President

P&C Thankyou

It has been a busy few weeks at Manly Campus. The P&C would like to say a big thank you to the parents who volunteered at the recent Orientation Days and also for the Year 12 Graduation. Your time and help is very much appreciated and ensured that our new students and families felt very welcome and our departing Year 12 students and families were suitably celebrated.

Thank you!

A note to Year 10 - Y11 2020

As you are probably aware, there is an addition to the school uniform for students in Year 11 and 12.

Whilst they can continue to wear the short sleeved shirts and blouses they have worn in Year 7-10, they can also choose to wear senior polos.

New senior polos are available from *Pickles* for \$37.50. The uniform shop has some stock of second hand senior polos for sale for \$10. Our next open is Tuesday 10 December at 8.15-9.30am. You can also place an order with Marg Martin via email at margaret.martin@optusnet.com.au.

SECOND HAND UNIFORMS

LOCATED NEAR THE CANTEEN

Next open

**Tuesday 10 December 2019
8:15am-9:30am**

Please note this is the last day the second hand uniform shop will be open for 2019.

2020

**The first open date for 2020 is
Tuesday 28 January 2020
8:30am-10am**

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: sarahlcole24@gmail.com

Thank you to all those who so generously donated uniforms for Orientation Days. We were able to help many of our new families.

There is a high demand for second hand uniforms. Washed, good quality uniforms are still much needed.

Please drop off at the school office.

English Partnership with Primary Students

The partnership between feeder primary schools and Manly Campus continues to grow as we develop the transition into secondary school for local gifted and talented students. 7Y English students had the opportunity to judge the Mona Vale Public School's annual Writing Festival, which is part of the Opportunity Class curriculum at the school. Year 7 judged each piece of writing in areas such as

narrative voice, grammar, syntax and stylistic language choices.



Manly students gained skills in summarising and synthesising ideas and information through the peer marking process. The judging process enabled the Year 5 and 6 students to see the strengths in their writing and areas of opportunity to improve, and was a celebration of the fabulous work of these young writers.

Madeleine Koo
English

BONJOUR –

KONNICHIWA – CIAO !

MLTA Linguafest Finals 2019 – Congratulations Manly!

The finals of the Linguafest short film competition were held in the city on Friday November 29. Students and teachers from NSW public and private schools filled a George St cinema to be entertained by a myriad of 2-minute films in languages including French, Japanese, Hebrew, Arabic, Spanish, German, Chinese and Italian. Manly students once again demonstrated their inventiveness and hard work to a wide audience - and won some awards as well!

Year 9 Japanese students Sakura Brennan, Chloe Lau, Klio Ng and Srestha Roy won the award for Best Animation with their very cute stop-motion film, which was received with oohs and ahhs from the crowd.

Year 9 French students Andrew De Montfort, Matthew Horvath, Jay Lakhana, Daniel Martin, Jack Slade and Tyler Valentine - and guest star Daniel Callister - won the award for Most Authentic Language. Their film also won the People's Choice on the day – an exciting testament to their humour and use of French. And it probably goes without saying... the language skills demonstrated in both films were excellent! Congratulations to all!

We can't wait to see what all our languages students produce in 2020!

Watch all the films at
<https://www.youtube.com/user/MLTAofNSW/videos>

"You live a new life for every new language you speak. If you know only one language, you live only once." – Czech proverb

Dinah Eadie
Languages



Geography

Year 12 Geography Field Trip

Last Monday 25 November, Year 12 Geography students visited Careel Bay wetlands to study an Ecosystem at Risk. For many the value of the wetlands had alluded them during past visits to nearby beaches or to play weekend sport. Use of field equipment and observations introduced the students to a biodiverse but fragile ecosystem that is hidden behind suburban houses.

The Coastal Environment Centre staff led the field trip and provided an informative overview of the many stresses that exist on this part of the Northern Beaches. We were also introduced to the many steps we can all take to ensure this important bird sanctuary is protected for the future. The Careel Bay inter-tidal wetlands will be used by the students as their Ecosystems at Risk case study in the HSC. Many thanks to the students for their enthusiastic efforts throughout the day.

Mrs Karen Bowden
HSIE



Canteen Position

NBSC Manly Campus Canteen is seeking a part-time canteen employee to work alongside experienced supervisors for a minimum of two shifts per week. They should have experience in a school-type canteen environment and a food-handling certificate. They will be expected to:

- prepare, cook and serve food, snacks and beverages
- use food preparation and cooking skills to minimise waste of produce
- receive incoming orders
- clean kitchen areas
- work under the supervision of an experienced supervisor
- contribute to the harmonious running of the canteen with unpaid volunteers

There may be opportunity for extra shifts and expansion of duties in the future.

This position will start at the beginning of Term 1 2020 and the successful candidate is expected to be available during term time, as defined by the NSW school calendar. Please contact Mel Timms on 9939 7835 weekdays or 0412 177178 to discuss further

Upcoming Events

Parent Seminar

Teenagers, Alcohol and Other Drugs – a presentation for parents

Tuesday 10 December 2019

6-7pm

Venue: Narrabeen Sports High School Hall

Paul Dillon will be presenting “Teenagers, Alcohol and Other Drugs – a presentation for parents”.

The link to the Facebook event is: <https://www.facebook.com/events/580187769190537/>

Tickets are at: <http://bit.ly/PaulDillonPresentation>

Parents are invited to this must see presentation by Paul Dillon. Paul has been working in the area of drug education for more than 25 years. Using the most recent data available, Paul will examine the use of alcohol and other drugs by school-based young people. There will be a close examination of the positive influence that parents can have on their child's drinking behaviour, as well as the barriers that they may face during adolescence. The presentation aims to empower parents with a positive message and assist them in having open and honest family discussions in this complex area.

Dance Showcase

Tuesday 10 and Wednesday 11 December

7pm in the Performance Space

Tickets are sold out!

Presentation Night

Wednesday 11 December

6:45pm for a 7pm start, in the Freshwater Senior Campus Gymnasium

Parents of award recipients have been notified by email. If students who are receiving an award are not attending the evening please advise the front office on 9905 3982.

Students are to be dressed in full school uniform.

Big Band Bash

Thursday 12 December

6:30pm in the Manly Campus Quadrangle

HSC Celebration Morning Tea

Wednesday 18 December

11am in the Manly Campus Library

For all Year 12 2019 HSC students



Junior Band Tour to Port Macquarie

Congratulations to Concert, Stage and Swing bands and their conductor Craig Driscoll for bringing music to Port Macquarie and surrounding towns this week. By all reports it has been an excellent tour. Look for a full report in next week's newsletter.

Big Bash Christmas - Thursday 12 December at Manly Campus Quad or Freshwater Gym (weather dependent), 7pm

All ensembles play at this informal and fun end-of-year concert. All Manly Campus families and friends and are invited. Bring a picnic and enjoy the music.

Attendance by all band members is required.

Please advise your liaison if your child cannot attend for any unavoidable reason.

Call sheets will be sent out on Friday via your liaisons.

- If your child has a special dietary requirement for their pizza and fruit dinner before the concert.
- If you can assist on the day from 4:45 pm with food preparation or Christmas lights

2020 Year 7 Orientation morning

Thank you to the students who represented the school's band and strings program on Tuesday's Orientation morning and to Mark Brown, Brian Buggy and parents Mel Corner, Steph Stoddard and Year 10 students for greeting new band parents and answering their questions.

Last rehearsals and school instrument and mouthpiece return, Weeks 9 and 10

Please note the dates for last rehearsals below. Students with school instruments or mouthpieces must return them, cleaned and case vacuumed and have them signed off by Craig for return of your deposit.

Selling your school blazer? Need a larger size?

You may be a graduated Year 12 student that wants to sell their blazer? It may be time to get a larger blazer and sell your smaller one to the incoming students for 2020? Please contact Sarah Cole at sarahlcole24@gmail.com to sell or to add your name to the list to buy a second-hand blazer in 2020.

Presentation Night

Wednesday 11 December, Freshwater gym SWO

Please note that Symphonic Wind Orchestra will be performing on Presentation Night.

The call sheet will be sent out on Friday.

Band Calendar - Term Four

Presentation Night

Wednesday 11 December, Freshwater gym SWO
Confirmed

Big Band Bash Christmas

Thursday 12 December, All Ensembles
Freshwater gym or Manly Quad
(weather dependent)
Date confirmed

Instrument Returns:

Concert Band – at rehearsal Monday 16 December
All other ensembles before school (8.30-9am) on Friday 13 December
Please ensure you have cleaned your instrument and vacuumed case before returning.

Last rehearsal SE – Friday 6 December
Last rehearsal CO – Monday 9 December
Last rehearsal Covers – Tuesday 17 December
Last rehearsal JO – Wednesday 11 December
Last rehearsal WE & SwB – Thursday 12 December
Last rehearsal SWO, SB – Friday 13 December
Last rehearsal CB – Monday 16 December
Last rehearsal BB – Tuesday 17 December

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

Check dates closer to the event

Week 9A	
9/12/2019	RAW Challenge (9 PASS)
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
11/12/2019	Presentation Night, 7pm, Freshwater SENIOR Campus Gym
12/12/2019	Year 8 Shakespeare festival
12/12/2019	Big Band Bash, 6:30pm
13/12/2019-17/12/2019	Duke of Ed Gold Qualifying, 4 day, 3 night expedition
13/12/2019	Debating gala day Year 7 and 8
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 in the library

Term 1 2020

Check dates closer to the event

Week 1B	
29/01/2020	Year 7, 11 and 12 return plus peer support leaders
29/01/2020-31/1/2020	Year 7 Orientation week
30/01/2020	Year 8, 9 and 10 return
31/01/2020-7/02/2020	Year 8-12 Band Auditions - during Week 1/2
1/02/2020	Strings Auditions
Week 2A	
3/02/2020-7/02/2020	Year 8-12 Band Auditions - during Week 1/2
5/02/2020	Year 10 Information Evening TBC, 6:30pm in the hall
6/02/2020	Pastoral Care
6/02/2020	Year 7 Information Evening, 6:30pm in the hall
Week 3B	
8/02/2020	Year 7 Band Auditions
10/02/2020	Year 9 Information Evening, 6:30pm in the school hall
12/02/2020-14/2/2020	Year 7 Camp
12/02/2020	P&C meeting, 7pm in the library, all welcome to attend
14/02/2020	Year 11 Life Ready Urban Challenge

The next edition of The Weekly Pines will be in Week 10 on Wednesday 18 December 2019

Duke of Edinburgh's International Award Information Nights 2020

The Duke of Edinburgh's Award began in the UK in 1958. The Duke believed that young people should be helped to develop their individual interests in a real-world setting. His idea was to provide young people with a challenging program of activities that encourages self-reliance, initiative and effort.

Recipients of the Duke of Edinburgh Award are highly regarded by potential employers and universities for their commitment, leadership, compassion and organisational abilities both nationally and internationally, identifying them as being **#worldready**.

Each year between 250 and 300 Northern Beaches Secondary College students from Years 9 to 12 are working toward their Bronze, Silver or Gold Awards.

Information night will provide you with detail about the requirements and expectations of the Award, hike dates and location, logging hours and the Online Record Book (ORB), assessors and more.

BRONZE Information Night (Year 9)

Wednesday 12th February 2020, 5:30-7:00pm

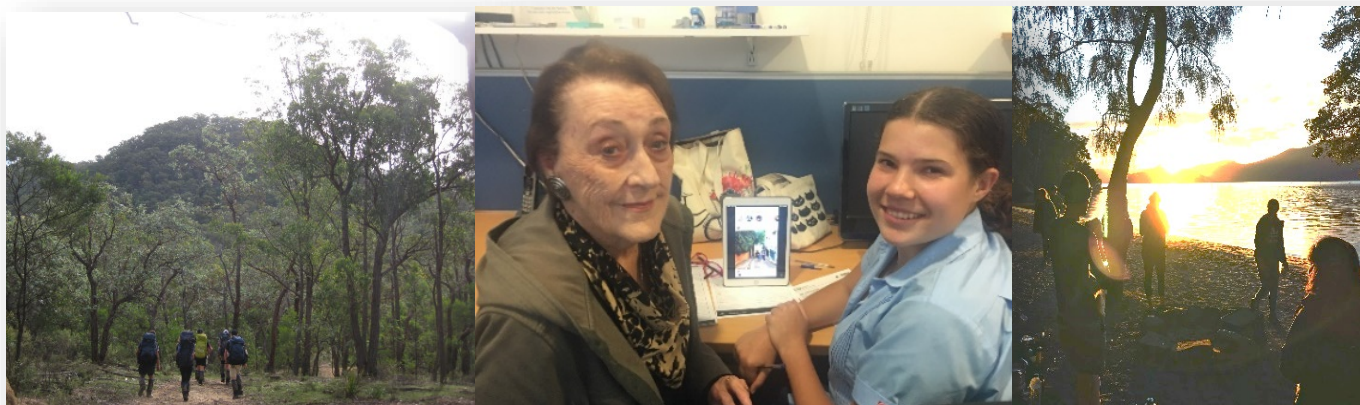
NBSC Freshwater Senior Campus Theatre

Year 9 NBSC students in 2020 are encouraged to begin the Bronze Award under the guidance and support of the College Duke of Ed. Coordinator, Ms Busse.

SILVER & GOLD Information Night (Years 10 & 11)

Thursday 13th February 2020, 5:30-7:00pm

NBSC Freshwater Senior Campus Theatre



More information: <https://sport.nsw.gov.au/dukeofedinburgh>

Further queries: vicki.busse@det.nsw.edu.au NBSC Award Leader/Coordinator.