



The Weekly Pines

Northern Beaches Secondary College

Manly Campus



Academic Excellence ★ Personal Best ★ Giving Back to the Community

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Ms Marisa Carolan (relieving)

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From the Principal

HSC Drama

Congratulations to all Year 12 Drama students for their enjoyable and impressive performances at the HSC Drama evening last Wednesday. Students presented their monologue performances for staff and friends in preparation for the HSC Practical Examination, held on Thursday 27 August. Many thanks to Ms Joyce, Ms Carolan and Ms Campbell for their guidance and support of our students.



Science Techno

For the past three weeks, Year 8 students have been working on their Science Techno projects. These amazing displays were set up in the hall and judged last Thursday. All students did a fantastic job in choosing incredibly diverse and interesting topics. They researched the science behind their item or process, the history of its development and the impact it has had on society.



Wear it Purple Day

On Thursday this week we celebrated diversity and young people from the LGBTIQ+ community through our participation in the annual *Wear it Purple Day*. This day is about showing rainbow young people, and everybody around us, that they have the right to be proud of who they are. Thank you to Ms Woodward for coordinating the event via zoom.



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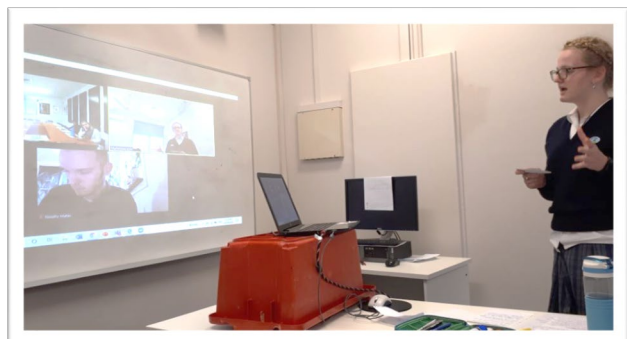
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Year 10 into 11 interviews

Year 10 into 11 interviews, conducted throughout the week, have provided a valuable opportunity for students and parents to discuss Stage 6 subject choices and potential career and study options. Strategies to support students through a range of study techniques and wellbeing initiatives, were also discussed. Many thanks to Mr Crooks, Mr Newcomb and Ms Rixon who conducted the interviews.

Debating

Covid-19 put a temporary halt to inter-school debating competitions during Term 1 and 2. So it is wonderful to see the competition finally back and in a Covid-safe, online format, so our debaters can still participate in this challenging and rewarding extra-curricular area. The Year 9, 10 and 11 debating teams have won their first debates in the Round 1 of a Knockout competition of the Premier's Debating Challenge. Year 9 and 10 argued successfully that classes at school should be organised by ability instead of age. Year 9 came up against Pittwater High School while Year 10 debated Mosman High School.



Year 11 came up against North Sydney Girls and produced a success argument against the implementation of compulsory meditation and mindfulness classes in school, suggesting instead that schools should develop "mental health hubs" to cater for students' wellbeing needs. It was a thrill for the experienced Year 11 team to have Ms O'Sullivan in the audience for their debate, as all teams have missed face-to-face interaction.



The teams' next debates in Round 2 are against Hornsby Girls High School (Year 9) and Ryde Secondary College (Year 10) while the next round for Year 11 will be against North Sydney Boys.

Meanwhile, Trials have been held for the Year 7 and 8 representative teams. Manly's senior debating students judged the tryouts, and commented that the quality of Manly's youngest students was very high. The teams will debate NBSC Mackellar Girls Campus and Killarney Heights High School later this term.

COVID-19 Test Fast Tracked for Year 12 Students



Year 12 students will now have their COVID-19 test result fast-tracked through pathology. They simply need to advise the nurse or doctor doing the test that they are HSC students.

Results will be fast-tracked to reduce disruption to their studies and exams. We also want to reduce potential anxiety around getting tested and ensure students self-isolate at home until their results are known. This will help protect the whole community.

It is important that all Year 12 students:

- Stay 1.5m apart where possible
- Wear a mask if physical distancing isn't possible when they are out and in the broader community
- Get tested ASAP if they have even the mildest of symptoms
- Tell the clinician doing the test they are a Year 12 student and to mark the referral 'Urgent - HSC student'
- Stay home and self-isolate until results are known
- Receive a negative test result before returning to school; showing the school a screenshot of an SMS result is sufficient
- Call the contact number provided by the clinic if results are not received within 36 hours.

Gifted Parenting Series

It is common for parents of gifted children to feel confused about the educational needs of their child. Sometimes, the advanced development of the abilities of a gifted child outpaces the child's physical development, and results in frustration for both parent and child. Additionally, challenges exist for parents in understanding the affective needs of gifted children, which may be very different to the rest of the population.

We hope that this eight-part series will assist parents to develop a greater understanding of their gifted child's needs both at home and at school; interact with other parents of gifted children; and learn from current research and experts in the field of gifted education.

The series is delivered online (via Zoom), 7pm - 8:30pm Tuesday and Thursday nights, during September, and is led by GERRIC academics: Associate Professor Dr. Jae Yup Jung, Dr Geraldine Townend, and Dr. Peta Hay.

[Click here to book your tickets](#)

SASS Appreciation

It is SASS Staff Appreciation Week this week!

SASS is an acronym for School Administrative and Support Staff. We are so lucky at NBSC Manly Campus to have an outstanding SASS team that go above and beyond in supporting our teachers, students and parents. We appreciate their work every week, but it is good to take time in this week to reflect on the value of what they do to contribute to the quality of school life. Schools would not function without these critical people and our SASS staff are the best in the area!

Kathy O'Sullivan
Relieving Principal

From the Deputies

This week, our school community celebrated *Wear it Purple Day*. This annual event has become another of our wonderful school traditions and captures the spirit of what is proudly referred to as 'The Manly Vibe'.

The *Wear it Purple* movement has had overwhelming support since its inception in 2010. Initially a way of showing support to LGBTQI teens at risk, it has grown to become a celebratory event; symbolic of positive self-identification and rainbow pride. It is great to see our schools become places in which we can appreciate our diversity and feel safe to be who we want to be.



'We must learn to live together as brothers (and sisters) or perish together as fools'. These words were spoken by Martin Luther King Jr. at an African American civil rights rally in 1964, yet they transcend that context. With the NBSC Manly Campus community celebrating such events as *Wear it Purple Day*, we are reassured that we are indeed amongst brothers and sisters, not fools.

Alex Newcomb – DP Year 8, 10 & 12

Marisa Carolan – DP Year 7, 9 & 11

P&C MEETING

Wednesday 9 September at 7pm

The meeting will be held via Zoom

Details are as follows:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5769533569>

Meeting ID: 576 953 3569

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Year 12 Drama Night

Theatre has faced a crisis this year as shows (and jobs) ground to a halt due to the global pandemic. This theatrical black hole is not unprecedented; the historical theatrical timeline is filled with gaps where play houses were forced to shut down due to plagues, war and government restrictions. Ironically, as we have faced lockdowns and revolutionary work place practices, entertainment and creative thinking has never been more important.



Hats off to the Year 12 Drama class of 2020 who have worked tirelessly this year to create innovative theatrical work despite facing restrictions and cancellations that saw their Group Performance cancelled and their Drama Night audience restricted. Despite this, our talented students presented their Individual Project: Performance (monologues) to a limited audience on Wednesday 19 August. They showcased theatrical narratives in an array of styles, engaging their audience through total immersion in role and control of the elements of drama. This showcase worked as both a celebration of their achievements and as preparation for their final HSC practical examination that took place on Thursday this week.

Year 12 Drama are to be commended for their commitment during an unprecedented year!

Ms Campbell

Art Club Memory Project

The Art Club has been working for the past term to create portraits of children in Afghanistan for The Memory Project.



The Memory Project is a non-profit organisation dedicated to promoting intercultural understanding and kindness between children around the world through school-based art and writing programs.

The portraits help the children feel valued, show them that many people care about their wellbeing, and provide them with a special childhood memory for the future. Fifteen Manly students from Year 7, 8 and 9 completed portraits for the project, showing creativity and respect in their artworks of the children.



Lillian Hamilton Year 7



Kate Hollander Year 8



Maya Simon Year 9

Ms Prideaux-Remin

Year 10 Geography

Incursion

Instead of the usual Narrabeen/Collaroy excursion, which has been a rite of passage for all Year 10 students in the past, we were fortunate enough to have Toni, Tim and Tristan from the Coastal Environment Centre come to Manly Campus. They shared with the students, some of the geographical issues that face the Northern Beaches; water pollution in Curl Curl Lagoon and coastal erosion along Collaroy and Narrabeen Beaches.

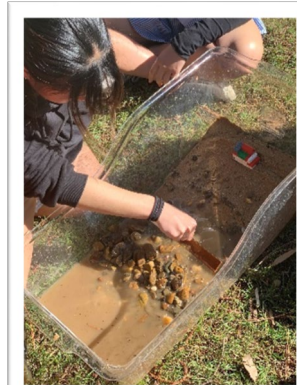
There was a talk about coastal erosion in Collaroy/Narrabeen, where we traced back the events in June 2016 that led to massive coastal erosion, considered how the council and residents are working together to build a seawall to protect homes along the coast, and whether there is a better option to protect the beaches into the future.

Students had the opportunity to simulate how different management strategies could protect homes from coastal erosion in repurposed baby cribs (sea walls seemed to be the best options)

We also conducted tests on water from Curl Curl Lagoon, (FYI this still isn't safe to drink from) and considered how the local environment contributes to the water pollution.

A big thank you to Toni, Tim and Tristan who made the incursion a very valuable experience.

Ms Foy

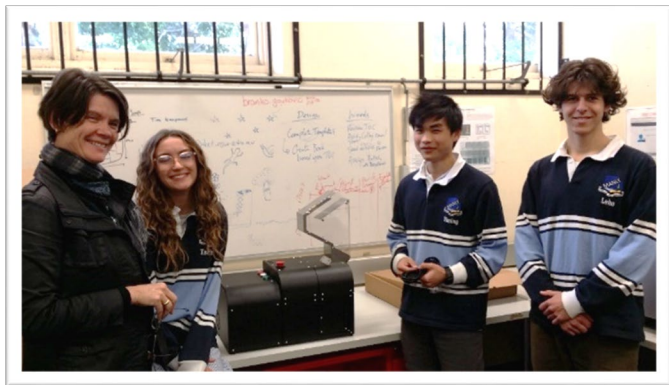


Communities Environment Program Grant

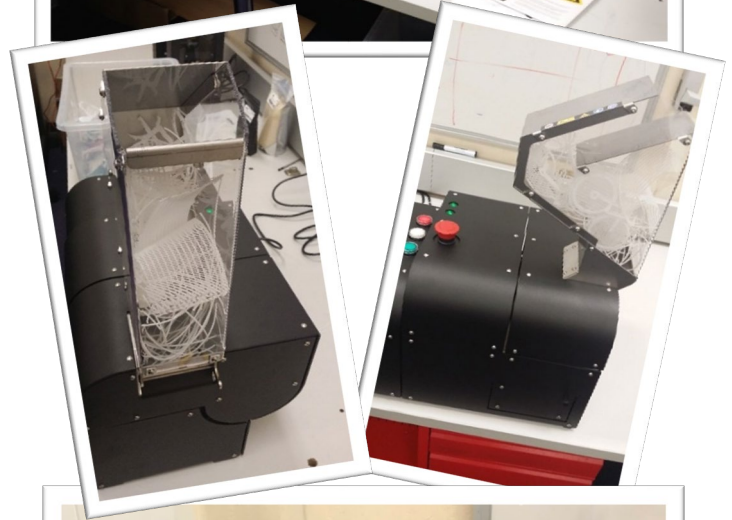
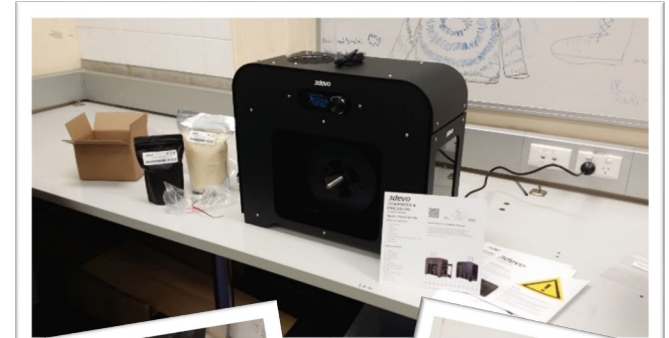
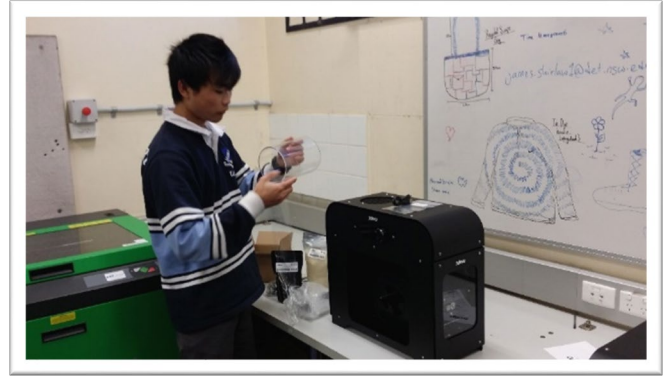
3D Printer Filament Recycling Update

Last week, the 3Devo 3D filament recycling hardware arrived at Manly Campus. This was enthusiastically unboxed by Ms Farrow's Year 12 Design and Technology class, then under the watchful eye of Year 12 student Yiming Teng, we successfully extruded our first roll of filament ready for testing with our 3D printers. This recycled roll of filament represents 500 grams of plastic saved from becoming landfill and a \$50 saving to the school's consumable materials budget. A small group of Year 10 students have begun sorting our stockpile of failed prints and support material in preparation for recycling.

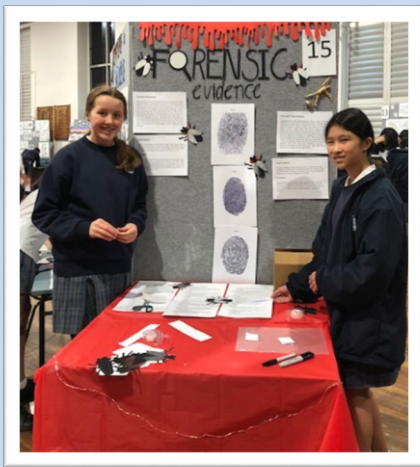
Mr Forsyth



Top to bottom: Year 12 Design and Technology unboxing the 3Devo (having a small break from completing their Major design projects), partly assembled, with students and Ms Farrow



Top to bottom: Yiming assembling the recycler, Fully assembled recycler, filament shredder loaded with material ready for shredding, first roll of recycled filament being produced.



NBSC Manly Campus Science Techno



Term 3 Calendar

Please check the dates closer to the event

Week 7A	
1/09/2020	Frightfest – SRC organised student event
2/09/2020 -4/09/2020	CAPA exhibition
2/09/2020	School Cross Country
Week 8B	
8/09/2020 -11/09/2020	ILP Expo 1 & 2
9/09/2020	P&C Meeting, 7pm via zoom
11/09/2020 -12/9/2020	Forty Hour Famine
Week 9A	
14/09/2020 -25/09/2020	Year 11 Final Examinations
Week 10B	
14/09/2020 -25/09/2020	Year 11 Final Examinations
24/09/2020	Year 12 Farewell Assembly
25/09/2020	Last day of Term 3 for students

The school calendar is on the home page of the [NBSC Manly Campus Website](#), as well as the [events section](#), where you can click on *remind me* to add the event to your calendar. Please check the dates closer to the event.

SECOND HAND UNIFORMS

Due to COVID -19 restrictions the uniform shop will be closed for on-site purchasing until further notice.

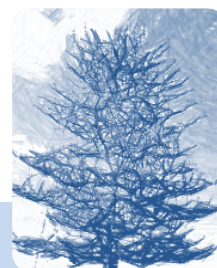
All orders can placed by email to [Marg Martin](#) or [Fiona Cahill](#)

Please contact coordinators Marg Martin or Fiona Cahill if you would like to place an order
margaret.martin@optusnet.com.au
fiona.cahill4@gmail.com

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

Band News on the next page...



***The next edition of The Weekly Pines will be published on
Friday 11 September***



More Changes

"If you can't fly, then run. If you can't run, then walk. If you can't walk, then crawl. But whatever you do, you have to keep moving forward" -

Martin Luther King Jr.

It certainly feels like we are crawling, but we are still going forward! We will continue to find creative ways to keep music alive in our school and the band playing.

The school is supportive, as we all feel that with so many challenges and cancellations of their activities this year, it is essential for students' mental well-being, as well as musicality, to be able to participate in their interests and passions as much as possible.

This week, we introduced more changes to adhere to the restrictions of "No blowing and no mixed year groups" for the rest of Term 3.

This involves students learning new skills, broadening their musical knowledge and most of all having fun. They will work on rhythm, percussion, repertoire, aural and listening skills and will still be doing their home exercises in order to be ready to play together again next term (hopefully).

Students will be playing only in their year groups.

Strings will still be able to play their usual instruments but it will be split across 2 days so there are not so many groups going at once (each year group needs to be in its own room).

Unfortunately, Chamber, Jazz Combo, Junior Jazz Combo and Covers will not be able to continue for the rest of term due to them being smaller bands and involving many year groups. Liz will instead be taking the senior strings on Mondays.

Every student should bring something with them to rehearsals - drum sticks if you have them, or chopsticks, wooden spoons etc, we are very interested to see what turns up. If a student plays rhythm already i.e. guitar, bass, drums, piano, they will be playing those as well and should bring their instrument as usual.

When in hall

1. Students arrive and enter through the foyer entrance to the hall.
2. Students depart the hall via the rear doors.

When in Library

1. Students enter via the side door adjacent to the Maths block.
2. Students exit via the side door adjacent to the basketball court.

Please see below the days and times students will be attending their band group. Please be on time as the sessions cannot overrun and there can be no cross over of students.

If you are one of the students who have two bands on at the same time, you can choose which one you would like to go to, or alternate.

Strings Stream

Monday - Year 10, 11, 12 Strings

7:20am - Year 10 to common room

7:20am - Year 11 to room 204

7:20am - Year 12 to room 205

Friday - Year 7, 8, 9 Strings

7:20am - Year 7 to common room

7:20am - Year 8 to room 204

7:20am - Year 9 to room 205

Wind Stream in Hall

Monday - Year 7 and 8 Wind

7:20am - Year 7 rhythm students

7:45am - All Year 7

8:15am - All Year 8

Thursday - Year 9 and 10 Wind

7:20am - Year 10

8:05am - Year 9

Friday - Year 11 and 12 Wind

7:20am - Year 12

8:05am - Year 11

Jazz Stream in Library

Tuesday - Year 9 and 10 in Big Band Jazz

7:20am - Year 10 rhythm students

7:45am - All year 10

8:15am - All year 9

Wednesday - Year 11 and 12 Jazz

7:20am - Year 12 rhythm students

7:40am - All Year 12

8:05am - Year 11 rhythm students

8:20am - All Year 11

Thursday - Year 7 from Stage and Swing Band Jazz

7:20am - Year 7 rhythm students

7:50am - All Year 7

Friday - Year 8 and 9 from Stage and Swing Band Jazz

7:20am - Year 9 rhythm students

7:40am - All Year 9

8:10am - All Year 8

Treasurer needed for Band Committee

We are seeking a volunteer to take over from Term 4 onwards. It requires no more than 3 hours a week on average and other than a set day for payroll, it is mostly answering email queries, following up payment of fees and recording invoices, which can be done at any time.

If you are interested in this role or would like more details, please contact Band President, Mel Corner on andyandmel@gmail.com

Term 3 Band Meeting

Our band meeting was held on Monday 17 August over Zoom. Thank you to all who dialled in. Minutes will be distributed shortly. The meeting was short and sweet, with an update from Kathy on the new restrictions introduced on the same day.

Craig Driscoll, Jazz Director, also gave an update on how rehearsals are going and how he has been so impressed with students' commitment and playing. Incredible the bands are sounding better than last year, despite the disruption.

We are also really encouraged that our band membership remains strong and we thank all students and families for their ongoing commitment and support of the program.

Band Fees Semester 1

Most fees have now been paid and a reminder email was sent out this week to the remaining few who have yet to pay. We would really appreciate prompt payment of any outstanding fees. The band program runs on a not for profit basis and it is challenging to plan and budget for the rest of the year with fees from Semester 1 unpaid.

This is a tough time financially for many of us, so please do not hesitate to contact our Treasurer, Jill Johnson, treasurerbmssc@gmail.com if you have any queries or difficulty in paying.

Calendar 2020

Term 3

All events and performances cancelled

Term 4

Manly Jazz Festival JO and JC, 3/10 Cancelled
City2Surf Fundraiser, All Ensembles Sunday 18 October, Bondi
Strings Soiree CO/SE Friday 13 November, Mosman Art Gallery
Jazz Night Out SWB/SB/BB/JO/JJC/JC Saturday 14 November, Dee Why RSL
Year 12 Graduation JO Thursday 12 November, F/water Campus Gym
Junior Band Tour, CB/SWB/SB First week of December TBC
Year 7 Orientation Day 2022 WE/SE Tuesday 1 December, Manly Campus
School Presentation Day SWO Monday 7 December, Freshwater Campus
Big Band Bash Christmas, All Ensembles Tuesday 8 December or Thursday 10 December TBC, Manly Quad or Freshwater Gym (weather dependent)