

# **NBSC Manly Campus**



# The Pines Newsletter



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## **Principal's Report**

A warm welcome back to students, staff, and our community as we begin the final Term of 2023. I hope you all had time to relax and enjoy some family time over the spring break. G23 started their HSC examinations on Wednesday with a mixture of trepidation and excitement. They have completed several exams as I write and at the conclusion of each one, the relief and sense of completion of hard work and study is palpable.

Parents are reminded that if a student is ill on the day of each exam, they must make an appointment with a medical practitioner and take Section C1 of the Illness and Misadventure NESA forms to be completed at the time. A medical certificate is also required. Misadventure applications require Section C2 be filled out by the appropriate person.

#### **Mobile Phone Policy Implementation**

The Department Mobile Phone Policy began day one of this term. Students have adjusted very well to the changes with relatively few phones handed in to be collected at the end of the day. Thank you to our school community for supporting our approach of phones 'off and away all day' from gate to gate. It is lovely to see the uptake of play and conversation in the playground with the Year 8 SRC taking responsibility for the Big Games in the main quad. Parents are reminded that if they need to communicate with their child, they can ring the front office.

#### **Kickstart the HSC**

This term the current Year 11 students commence their HSC courses and final year of their schooling. To assist them with this transition, the Year 11 Wellbeing Team arranged a special Orientation Day that included providing our students with information about NESA requirements, HSC credentials, assessment processes, careers and post-school transition. The students also engaged in wellbeing activities and study tip sessions run by Elevate Education, and were able to enjoy a BBQ lunch in the new Year 12 designated covered area outside the new gymnasium.



The following day, students had their initial meetings with their assigned mentors as part of the *Year 12 Mentor Program*. This optional program is designed to support the wellbeing of our students during their final year of schooling. It provides an opportunity for students to identify a teacher as a mentor who can meet with them to provide support and guidance in the following:

- effective study habits
- balancing demands of school and out-of-school activities
- goal setting
- post-school transition
- managing stress
- seeking further support if needed (ie. health, relationships)

#### **Executive Director's Award**



In the final edition of The Pines Newsletter last term, I announced that Ben Mills was receiving an award for the Executive Director School Performance Recognition Program. I was lucky enough to attend this ceremony and have included a photo of Ben receiving this award from relieving Executive Director, Julie Kennedy. Relieving Director, Tanya Rose delivered a heartfelt citation which truly encompassed Manly Campuses appreciation of all Ben does to support our school.

#### **Alumni Students**

Our alumni students often contact us and let us know of their amazing achievements, making us truly proud of the changes they are making to the world. G18 student, James Ladbrook has been selected as one of three young Australians to attend the United Nations Climate Change Conference (COP 28) as part of the Emerging Climate Leaders Delegate Program in Dubai this November and December. James has kindly offered to talk to our senior students upon his return about his experience with international government leaders and the types of careers in renewable energy/climate change, as well as University Studies they could choose in these areas. He embodies Manlys School Motto, 'Capimus Sed Tradimus'.

#### **Bushfire or Grassfire Emergency Response Plan**

NBSC Manly Campus is classified as a Bushfire Category 3 School. In the case of a bushfire or grassfire, the school has an emergency response plan that includes monitoring and following Alert Levels advised by NSW Rural Fire Service (RFS) and taking corresponding actions that may include:

- Shelter in place (the new gymnasium as muster point)
- Onsite evacuation (school oval)
- Offsite evacuation location 1 NBSC Freshwater Campus
- Offsite evacuation location 2 Brookvale Public School

As is the case for all emergency situations, parents and carers should not attempt to collect their child and should await updates via the School Enews App and SMS.

#### **Musical Clean Up**

Having directed the school musical again this year for the first time since 2016, it has reminded me not of the enormous contribution of the school community in seeing it to fruition, but the often-unseen task of the clean-up. Parents firstly came in on the Sunday after the final show and their attendance each night to sort, clean and organise the costume room in preparation for 2024. On Saturday, our parental helpers led by Ben Mills "Captain of Everything' and Crew Coordinator Musical Teacher Amy Whyte organised a bump out of this year's sets, as well as a

much needed clean out of the props under the TAS block. As you can see by the before and after photos, they have completed this monumental task so next year's musical can begin once again. A big thanks to Nick our GA for organising the skip in time for this event.





#### Uniform

Now that the warmer weather has begun, it is important that all students wear the correct summer uniform. Students must wear their normal uniform unless they have sports on that day. Leather shoes must be worn for TAS and Science subjects as an OHS requirement. Please note that blue sports pants are not normal uniform and must only be worn for PE lessons or Wednesday Sports Day. Grey short or grey long pants are the expected uniform for students wishing to wear the boys' uniform. If there is a legitimate reason for a student being out of uniform, they must bring in a note or email to explain the reason, an 'Out of Uniform Pass' will be issued by the appropriate Deputy Principal in the morning before school starts.

Marisa Carolan Relieving Principal

# **Trivia Night**

What a fabulous community we have. \$19,000 was raised at the recent Manly Campus Trivia Night held in September.

Thank you again to everyone who supported the Trivia Night. We are extremely grateful for the exuberant feedback.



"Thanks very much for organising such a great event, the money raised is wonderful but just seeing so many people there having fun was fantastic! Thanks to everyone involved.

"Thanks for a terrific night P&C and organising crew! We had a super night!"



Congratulations to all of our lucky winners:

- Open Door: Gino Ioia
- Heads &Tails (1): Elizabeth de Montfort
- Paper Plane Throw: Tony Sherlock
- Best Dressed Table: On Patrol (people from multiple Northern Beaches Surf Lifesaving clubs)
- Best Dressed Person People: (1) Coco Ikawa
   (2) Anna Hornikova (3) Lenka Havelkova
- First Prize (Trivia Winner): The Phileas Foggs
- Last Prize have asked to have their reputations kept intact!
- Raffle 1st Prize: Greig Bannister
- Raffle 2nd Prize: Margaret Taylor
- · Raffle 3rd Prize: Steph Bridgland
- Raffle 4th Prize: Belinda Haroutonian
- Raffle 5th Prize: Michelle Heaton-Armstrong

Not to mention all the winners of our phenomenal silent auction prizes.

But we couldn't have done it without the marvellous support from the wonderful wider community in which we live. The P&C, and the parent community want to thank and acknowledge the following businesses once again for the amazing support given to our Trivia Night last term, which raised over \$19,000 for outdoor seating and shade for our students.



We encourage all to support these businesses as they have supported our students.

These events are a wonderful way for the Manly school community to come together. The organising team were humbled and delighted by the demand and enthusiasm for the first physical Trivia night in a few years.

If you have any ideas for a school community event that you and your friends or other parents may have discussed, reach out to us at <a href="mailto:msc.pandc.contact@gmail.com">msc.pandc.contact@gmail.com</a> and we will do our best to make it happen.

# Simon Cahill P&C President











## **Congratulations To**

Luke (Year 7) who attended School Sports Australia Swimming Championship (School National) in August. Luke achieved 3<sup>rd</sup> in the 13 years Boys 100m Fly, 4<sup>th</sup> in the 13-14 Year Boy's 400IM and 2nd in the 13-19 Years 6 x 50m Free Handicap relay.



- Noah (Year 9) and Xavier (Year 10) who competed at the 2023 Snowsports Interschools Competition. Noah came first and Xavier came third in the Snowboard Cross Division 2. Both boys progressed to the State Titles.
- Zander (Year 9) and Adelaide (Year 9)
   participated in a regional band tour in the
   holidays. The tour went to Mudgee and Forbes
   and included a fundraising performance to help
   the local bands recover after damage during the
  floods.
- Olly (Year 10) came second in the U15 boys 400m at NSW All Schools Athletics Championships, and will now represent NSW at Australian All Schools in Perth in December.

# **Volunteering in the Canteen**

Volunteering in the canteen is a great way to be part of the school community. If you are a parent or carer of a student at NBSC Manly Campus and would like to volunteer, please go to the canteen roster sign up:

#### Term 4 2023 Canteen Roster Sign Up

If you would like more information about volunteering in the canteen, please contact Tomoko Sasage: tommynsw730@gmail.com

### **Romeo & Juliet**

Romeo & Juliet by Point Break Drama & Point Break Theatre Co

Manly Campus current students: Michael (Year 12), Olivia (Year 8), Persephone (Year 9), Lars (Year 10) and Carla (Year 9), and former students, Catherine (alumni) and Olivia (alumni) starring in Romeo & Juliet at Star of the Sea Theatre, Stella Maris College, 26 - 29 October 2023.

#### **DATES**

- Thursday 26 October 2023 6:30pm-9:00pm
- Friday 27 October 2023 6:30pm-9:00pm
- Saturday 28 October 2023 2:00pm-4:30pm and 6:30-9:00pm
- Sunday 29 October 2023 4:00pm-6:30pm

Tickets \$39.00 - \$43.00

#### Location

Star of the Sea Theatre Stella Maris College, Cnr Collingwood Street & Iluka Avenue, Manly

#### **Link To Book Tickets**

**Romeo & Juliet Tickets** 

# Second Hand Uniform Shop

This year the second hand
uniform shop will be open on the first
Wednesday and the third
Thursday of the month, during term time

# **Next Open**

**Wednesday 1 November** 

#### **Thursday 16 November**

Orders may also be requested online at: manly2ndhanduniforms@gmail.com

The second hand uniform shop is run by parent volunteers and relies on your generous donations. Donations of washed, good quality uniforms are much appreciated and can be left at the school office. 100% of proceeds go to the P&C for projects to benefit students.



### **Band Report**

#### Welcome to Term 4

And so, we reach the final term of the year - how time flies! We hope everyone had an amazing break and the students are ready for a busy

musical term. Read on for more details.

#### **Band Fees**

A reminder to pay Semester 2 fees if you haven't already, these were sent out to everyone last term, along with reminders for those who have not yet paid Semester 1 fees. Any issues please email bandmanagerbomc@gmail.com

#### **Intermediate Band Tour**

Our Intermediate Bands went on tour to the Tamworth area at the end of Term 3, playing at 5 schools over four days. They also enjoyed downtime at the Tamworth Astronomy Centre and playing Barefoot Bowls at Tamworth Bowling club.

All of the schools visited are much smaller than Manly Campus, one has just 29 students and 3 teachers, and were very excited to announce the event in their newsletter, opening it up to families and carers to attend as well. It is an amazing opportunity for our young musicians as well as those at the schools they visit to bond over music.

Special thanks to everyone who made this tour possible for our children, particularly Christina Hamilton (BoMC Band Manager), Michael Jobson, Ben Devries and Phoebe Barsi. A big thank you to the students as well for representing the school so well.



on the Jazz Stars of the Future Stage at the

Manly Jazz Festival. The band did a fantastic job of entertaining the crowd and representing the Bands of Manly Campus at this event, you should be very proud of yourselves.



#### **Working Bee**

A huge thank you to all the parents and students who came along to our working bee last Saturday. Music was organised, scores digitized and band areas tidied. Year 10 students make sure you get any volunteer hours you need signed off by Mr Jobson.

#### String Soiree, Mosman Art Gallery - Chamber **Orchestra & String Ensemble**

Friday 3 November @ 7pm

The Mosman Art Gallery Grand Hall is a wonderful venue to showcase the talents of our Strings Program and the amazing work they have put in over 2023. An initial email has already been sent out by your band liaisons, so please let them know if you haven't received it. More details will be emailed shortly.

#### Can you help in some way next year?

Our band program is coordinated by parent volunteers and we are always looking for new people to help. We know it isn't easy for everyone to travel to the school for meetings in the evening, so this Term we are holding our AGM virtually via Microsoft Teams.

# **Virtual Band AGM Monday 3 November** 8pm

All committee roles will be open for voting -President, Vice President(s), Treasurer(s), Secretary, Database etc. If you can't commit to an Executive role there are plenty of other ways to help. Please come along to hear more about the programme and what is going on, or feel free to send questions or ideas via email to <a href="mailto:bandmanagerbomc@gmail.com">bandmanagerbomc@gmail.com</a>.

Thanks, and see you there.

#### **Junior Band Tour**

Sunday 26 - Wednesday 29 November

Year 7 and Year 8 musicians finally get their chance to go on tour this term. As always, this trip will include music performances every day plus activities and 'compulsory fun'. An Expression of Interest email will be sent out very soon.

#### Upcoming performances this term

We have several exciting performances being organised for all ensembles towards the end of this term, with more information to come once logistics are finalised:

- School Presentation day on 12 December
- Jazz Night Out featuring all jazz bands this is always an amazing evening for both students and parents
- Big Band Bash on 13 December this final event traditionally held in the quad is a lovely end to the year, with all bands playing and some Christmas spirit

#### **Band placement for 2024**

As we come to the end of the year, we are thinking about band placements for all those who want to continue in the Band Program in 2024 (we hope that will be everyone!). The format is a little different this year, and everyone should have received an email outlining the initial process. Keep an eye on your emails for more information in the very near future. Any questions or comments should be sent to <a href="mailto:bandmanagerbomc@gmail.com">bandmanagerbomc@gmail.com</a>.

#### Dates For Your Diary Term Four

#### Gym opening ceremony

Monday 30 October @ 10am - CO

### Strings Soiree, Mosman Art Gallery

Friday 3 November @ 7pm - SE & CO

#### **Virtual Band Meeting - AGM**

Week 5 – everyone welcome

#### **Jazz Night Out**

Date & Venue TBA - SB, BB, JO

#### **Junior Band Tour**

Sunday 26– Wednesday 29 November

#### Year 7 2024 Orientation

Tuesday 28 November - WE

#### **School Presentation Day**

Tuesday 12 December

#### **Big Band Bash**

Wednesday 13 December (evening)

#### **Band Names**

Wind Bands (Hall)	
Concert Band (CB) - junior	Wednesday
Wind Ensemble (WE) - intermediate	Thursday
Symphonic Wind Orchestra (SWO)	Friday
- senior	
Jazz bands (Jazz Lounge/Band Room)	
Jazz Orchestra (JO) - senior	Tuesday
Big Band (BB) - intermediate	Wednesday
Stage Band (SB) - junior	Thursday
Strings (Performance Space/Hall)	
String Ensemble (SE)	Friday
Chamber Orchestra (CO)	Monday

Remember, rehearsals are always on, even on carnival and excursion days unless you have been emailed by your band liaison to say otherwise. Students should arrive by 7.20am to set up for a prompt 7.30am start.

#### **Band Liaisons**

Ensemble	Parent Band Liaison
Wind Bands	
SWO	Mona Johnson
WE	Robyn Barker
СВ	Nathalie Sassen
Jazz Bands	
JO	Leanne Haines
BB	Fotini Harvey
SB	Sarah Olofinsky
Strings	
SE	Tiina Jaaniste
CO	Annie Woods



# STUDENT ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS

The law specifies that student absences must be explained within 7 days of the occurrence. (Education Reform Act 1990)

If your child will not be attending school for any reason other than school-related activities (e.g. an excursion, school camp or school representation for sport), you must notify the school immediately.



#### **SCHOOL APP:**

Preferred method for notifying the school of your child's absence.

#### **SEND AN EMAIL** to:



nbscmanlys-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Put your child's full name, reason for absence, and date of absence in the email. Mark the subject line as ABSENCE <NAME> <DATE>.

AWAY FOR ONE DAY: Telephone the Attendance Office on 9905 3982 or send notification via the School App.

<u>ABSENT FOR 2 OR MORE CONSECUTIVE DAYS:</u> Telephone the Attendance Office on 9905 3982 or send notification via the School App. A Doctor's Certificate is required in case of prolonged absence or if the student has missed an exam or an assessment task.

<u>ABSENCE OF LEAVE</u>: If you know in advance that your child will be absent, please inform the school in writing. A completed <u>application form</u> addressed to the Principal must be made at least a month in advance for leave exceeding three school days.

<u>LEAVE PASS FOR A DAY:</u> Your child should submit the application to the Attendance Office, which is located in the Library, before school hours (i.e. before 9.00am). All medical/dental appointments should be made after school hours i.e. after 3.30pm on Monday/Tuesday/Thursday/Friday and after 2.30pm on Wednesday. *Attendance at Sport is compulsory.* All applications for Leave Passes will be approved by the Deputy Principal on Wednesday.

<u>LATE NOTES</u>: Students who arrive late should go to the Attendance Office in the Library. They will be issued with a Late Note for them to take to class. If you have given them a letter of explanation, this will be sufficient. However, if there is no explanation, an SMS will be sent home. You can respond via SMS.

<u>UNEXPLAINED ABSENCE</u>: If your child shows as being not in attendance after the daily rolls have been marked, and there is no prior advice, you will be sent an SMS message to that effect. You can respond via SMS.

Attendance at Wednesday sport, the school Swimming Carnival and Athletics Carnival and on the last day of each school term is expected.



#### **Key Messages – Young Carers**

As a young carer, sometimes your caring responsibilities can have an impact your ability to work, study or socialise with friends and that can be a bit hard.

If you are studying and a young carer sometimes it can be difficult to get through all of the assignments and exams. The Carer Gateway can help with extra **tutoring** to so young carers can get the study done and balance school with their responsibilities as a carer.

They can also help arrange **respite** and **in-home help** so young carers can take a break from looking after someone and study, have a part time job, catch-up with friends or do something nice for themselves.

One thing which is really cool is that the Carer Gateway can also help young carers with **driving lessons**. That is super handy because sometimes as a carer you have to do a fair bit of running around.

Sometimes friends of young carers don't understand the extra responsibility they have. Carer Gateway has **counselling** and **groups** that can help if young carers need to talk or just need someone to listen.

The Carer Gateway offers **educational programs** and **mentoring** to young carers to help them work out what they might want to do in the future.

Carer Gateway has in-person, phone and online services to support young carers.

Young Carers can call the Carer Gateway team on **1800 422 737** between 8am – 5pm Monday – Friday or visit **www.carergateway.gov.au**