



# NBSC Manly Campus

## *The Pines Newsletter*



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Principal: Ms Kathy O'Sullivan | Deputy Principals: Ms Marisa Carolan and Mr Alex Newcomb

8 March 2024

## Principal's Report

### Strategic Improvement Plan (SIP) 2024 – 2027

We are in the final stages of writing our new Strategic Improvement Plan (SIP). The SIP is a working document that details the steps our school will take to improve learning outcomes, and the achievement and growth of all students. To ensure continuous improvement, the SIP reflects where our school is at and how it will further improve learning, teaching and leading.

Please join us at the next P&C meeting on Wednesday 20 March where we will be outlining the key focus areas for the next four years.

### Attendance – Everyday matters

A reminder that appointments should take place outside school hours where possible and family holidays should be taken in term breaks. To manage this, leave taken for 'holidays' during term will be classified as 'Explained – unjustified' in line with the Department of Education policy.

### Excursions / Incursion policy

Excursions and incursions provide educational value by supporting curriculum outcomes. This year, we have introduced the following policy -

- Excursions (and incursions outside of that subject timetabled lesson) are limited to one per course per calendar year.
- An application may be made to the principal for an additional excursion.

### Sports training program

Thank you to the following staff who are giving up their own free time to run training sessions in the gymnasium. Mr Young, Ms Fee, Mr Writer, and Ms Gilbane. These are structured sessions with limited spaces. Sign up details are in the daily notices.

- Volleyball - Monday at lunch time in the gymnasium with Ms Fee

- Basketball Tuesday mornings in the gymnasium with Mr Writer
- Futsal Wednesday mornings in the gymnasium with Ms Gilbane
- Basketball Wednesday afterschool in the gymnasium with Mr Young
- Ultimate Frisbee Thursday afterschool on the top oval with an external provider

### Staffing update

Congratulations to Rachele Haigh who is now a permanent member of the English faculty. Rachele has been with us at Manly for three years and is our NSW Teachers Federation representative and since has taken on the role of SRC Coordinator.

Recruitment is well underway for the following positions –

- Head Teacher TAS
- Head Teacher Science
- Science (Biology / Chemistry) classroom teacher

I will be on leave from 2 April to 12 April (last 2 weeks of term 1). Alex Newcomb will be relieving Principal, Scott Sinclair Deputy Principal (Year 8, 10 and 12) and Stephanie Foy Head Teacher HSIE during this period.

Kathy O'Sullivan  
Principal

## NSW School Vaccination Program 2024

### Northern Beaches Secondary College Manly Campus

NSW Health works in partnership with schools to offer the vaccines recommended and funded for adolescents by the National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) in a school-based vaccination program. A team of nurses visit the school for vaccination clinics, which are held during school hours.

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The following vaccines will be offered at school clinics at Manly Campus this year:

- **Year 10- Meningococcal ACWY**, school clinic, 2 April 2024
- **Year 7 - diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis (dTpa)**, school clinic, 30 May 2024
- **Human Papilloma Virus (HPV)**, school clinic, 4 July 2024

Consent for each vaccine must be provided by parents/guardians for students to receive free vaccinations at school.

Parents/guardians can provide consent online following the instructions below.

Please take care to ensure all details are correct, including selecting the correct school, otherwise the nurses will not be able to access the consent form.

Vaccination will only be provided at school if consent has been received.

How to provide consent:

- 1. To complete online consent for your child's school vaccinations, visit: <https://nswhealth.service-now.com/school> and log in using your ServiceNSW details. This is the same account you may already use to renew your driver's licence. Refer to [Service NSW](#) to create an account if you don't already have one.
- 2. Update or confirm your personal details in ServiceNSW as required.
- 3. Complete the School Vaccination Consent Form for your child.

Read a step-by-step [guide on how to provide consent online](#). Translated guides are available in [Arabic](#), [Korean](#), [Simplified Chinese](#), [Traditional Chinese](#), [Vietnamese](#).

If you or your child do not have a Medicare card or access, consent can still be provided by requesting a paper-based consent form directly from your child's school.

#### **The benefits of providing consent online:**

- easily update your child's details
- receive SMS and/or email notifications when vaccinations are given
- faster upload of vaccination records to the Australian Immunisation Register (AIR).

For more information on routine school vaccinations, please visit [www.health.nsw.gov.au/schoolvaccination](http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/schoolvaccination)

If you require information in your language, please visit [www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation/Pages/school\\_vaccination\\_language.aspx](http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation/Pages/school_vaccination_language.aspx)

For questions regarding the organization of the vaccination clinics at Manly, please contact the relevant coordinator.

Year 7 – Ms Chloe Woodward [chloe.woodward4@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:chloe.woodward4@det.nsw.edu.au)

Year 10 – Mr Scott White [scott.white30@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:scott.white30@det.nsw.edu.au)

Please note that Ms Woodward and Mr White are the school coordinators, responsible for organizing the clinics and providing supervision and support. They cannot access NSW Health records, update your details, or check if you have completed the form.

For queries about checking immunization records, general advice, information sheets and translated guides, please see <https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/immunisation/Pages/schoolvaccination.aspx>

## **Debating**

Year 8 students participated in a Global Debating Competition.

From the 10-12 of February, schools, and teams from all around the world try to claim the champion title for the annual Stanford World Schools Debating competition.

My friends and I were lucky enough to have the opportunity to participate in this competition a few weeks back. Since the debates were primarily set in American time zones, we had to wake up at 3am to debate for up to 12 hours for three consecutive days.

World schools is open to high schools or tutoring centres from any country with an invitation.

Some of the schools we competed against included Harvard-Westlake in LA, DPS school in Singapore, as well as others in Canada, Russia, and more. We competed as Cogito Tutoring, who had 9 teams entered out of the 150 teams invited. By the semi-finals, only Cogito (representing Australia) were still standing. As a result, Australia secured its first win since 2013.

Topics covered controversial global issues such as *“This house supports Bukele’s plan on gang violence”*; *“This house believes that the language of the former colonisers should no longer be the official language in their former colonies”*; *“This house regrets the rise of first-world feminism”*.

These required our team to research a wide range of themes within varying time limits. The format was also slightly different from normal debating processes.

Overall, this was a really great experience and outcome for our team and useful practice for future debates. I really look forward to this competition again next year and would encourage everyone to join if they can.

**Aliy (Year 8)  
Student Report**

## Year 9 Elective Music Update

In Year 9 Elective Music, we have been studying Music of Another Culture. Our focus has been Balinese Gamelan Music, learning about the culture, ensemble, instruments, and the impact music has on its society. Ms Whyte organised a fun lesson where we played the Balinese Gamelan instruments together as a class, playing pre-written melodies or improvising. I particularly enjoyed playing the Gangsa



and Kendang. We are currently working on our Assessment task, in which we get to choose any Non-Western culture and study its music. I chose Jewish music,

because it is beautiful and fascinating, and I am keen to learn more about it. The task involves an informative presentation about the culture and its music, as well as a short composition in the style, which we will perform a section of to the class. I am currently having loads of fun experimenting with the Jewish music style while notating my composition and am looking forward to presenting and watching my classmates’ presentations. Overall, this topic is very engaging and interesting, and I have learned a great deal about music from other cultures.

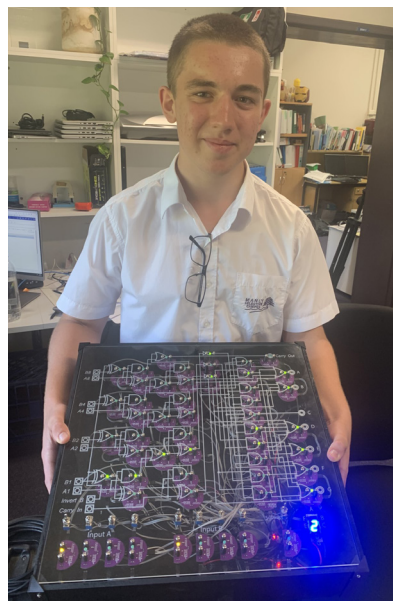


**Leron (Year 9)  
Student Report**

## Technology

### Logic in the Classroom

Teaching logic gates forms part of the Year 11 and 12 Engineering Studies syllabus. Following on from his successful Year 8 Science project last year, James,



now in Year 9, has developed an outstanding teaching resource for future years. The logic adder and multiplier demonstrate the use of AND, OR, NOR and XOR gates using binary to perform calculations.

Thanks go to James for the development of this resource which will be

demonstrated to students in Years 9-12 in both Software and Engineering.

**Dr Drew  
TAS Faculty**



## Wellbeing Update

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Earlier this week, resources and links were provided to parents relating to the Talbot Centre's work with Cognitive Distortions to reinforce the workshops provided for stage 4 and 5 students as well as reinforce the webinar information, offered to all Manly parents.



One of the attachments sent was a youtube link which provides a summarised version of the student and parent. This link can be used as a refresher for stage 4 and 5 families and an opportunity for insight for stage 6 families:

### [Talbot Centre](#)

This video will be on youtube for 90 days, starting from the 4 March 2024.

Thank you to the P&C for their generosity in bringing the Talbot Centre to Manly Campus.

As part of a RIOT (Resilience in Our Teens) parent evaluation survey, we now have over 500 titles available for parents/carers in the subjects of physical wellbeing, stress management, social connections, mental health, positivity, sleep and nutrition. Parents/carers have directions on accessing the material in an attachment to this email and all parents will need to complete the following form as part of the process. Please complete the subscription by Wednesday the 14 March.

### [Subscription Link](#)

The photo provided in this entry show Year 7 students as they participated in the anti-Bullying incursion 'Backflips for Bullying'.

**Lucienne Herft**  
**Student Wellbeing**

## School Musical

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Auditions for cast have been completed and we are very excited to be bringing 'Spamalot' to Manly in term 2.



Student agreements for cast and crew are now overdue, please ensure your child has completed this as soon as possible. Parents also need to measure their child if they are performing on stage.

### [Student Agreement](#)

Orchestra Expressions of Interest are now out, and information can be found on the musical google classroom. Once the instrumentalists have been finalised, they will also need to sign the agreement as soon as possible.

We are still looking for parent volunteers for this years show. If you could help with catering, costumes, or construction, we would love to hear from you:

### [Parent Volunteers](#)

## Tennis Knockout

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The boy's senior knockout tennis team played Pittwater High School on an extremely hot February morning and competed strongly throughout four singles match and a doubles match. Andrew (Year 10), Kevin (Year 11), Antoine (Year 10), Anthony (Year 11) all played to a high standard and every set was competitive, with Pittwater House emerging the winners after 5 sets.

Congratulations also to the following boys who have been selected to represent Sydney North at CHS Tennis during the week 5-8 March 2024.





Michael (Year 9)

Andrew (Year 10)

Anthony (Year 11)

We wish them good luck for the week's competition.

**Dr Drew**  
TAS Faculty

## Congratulations To:

- Gaby (Year 12) who won a Silver medal in the Canadian Taekwondo Opens and a Gold in the USA Taekwondo Open



- Yelin (Year 11) who won Gold at the Asian Fencing Championship in Bahrain. The first time an Australian has won a Gold medal at this event.
- Aarohi (Year 11) who has been selected as a finalist for the NSW Women of the Year Awards. The Manly Observer published an interview with her last week.

## 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 only, from 8:15am - 9am

**Next Open**  
**Thursday 21 March**  
**and**  
**Wednesday 3 April**

Orders may also be requested online at:

[manly2ndhanduniforms@gmail.com](mailto: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

### Week 6 already - Welcome to the Sound of Music

Rehearsals are now up and running (with the exception of the small groups), with all 176 band members working together in their various ensembles. It is exciting to see everyone settling in and starting to prepare for their first public performance at Big Band Bash in Week 8 of this Term, make sure you put this date in your calendar.

#### A few words from our new Head Teacher Enrichment

Thank you so much to the Manly community for making me feel so welcome in my first month on the job. We have such a strong community of conductors, musicians, volunteers, and staff here and it's been a delight to see them in action over the last month.

I would urge as many families as possible to get involved and support the program wherever they can. In particular, we are looking for a music librarian to support us in sorting and filing our extensive music collection. There has been quite a build-up since the covid years and having a regular face to support this process would be very helpful.

**Attendance/Absence:** thank you to all families who are corresponding with our band liaisons regarding anticipated absences for rehearsals. This makes a difference to our artistic team regarding balancing rehearsals and makes it much clearer for me from a duty of care perspective. A reminder that after myself or the conductor mark the roll in the morning, it is the student's responsibility to get a green slip from the conductor if they have arrived late and have the conversation with the conductor about what is happening regarding timing. Students may leave the green slips on my desk in the CAPA staffroom after they have done these two things. We appreciate the efforts students and families are making to get to rehearsal for tuning at 7.30am.

Very excited to meet you all at the upcoming Big Band Bash on Monday 18 March.

**Atalya Masi**  
Head Teacher of Enrichment

#### Band Liaisons

We now have liaisons for almost all our bands, and you will have received an email from them introducing themselves. Thank you to all the parents who have stepped into these essential roles they really help the band program run smoothly and aid communication between all involved.

**We are still looking for a liaison for Wind Ensemble – if you are interested, please send an email to our Band Manager Christina on [bandmanagerbomc@gmail.com](mailto:bandmanagerbomc@gmail.com).**

Please make sure your family reads all liaison emails as they will be communicating band news and important information to you. If you have not received an email, please let us know so we can check we have the correct email address. This year students will also be blind copied into emails relevant to them and their ensemble.

Ensemble	Parent Band Liaison
Wind Bands	
SWO	Mona Johnson
WE	TBC
CB	Emma Gelding
Jazz Bands	
JO	Leanne Haines
BB	Mariana Festa
SB	Kyle Zhou
Strings	
SE	Tiina Jaaniste
CO	Annie Woods

#### Band Meeting

Thank you to everyone who came along to the first Band meeting of the year on Tuesday 5 March. It was fantastic to see so many new faces and to welcome new Year 7 parents to our community. We look forward to seeing you again next Term as we continue to work towards developing our band program further.

#### Band uniform

**Formal uniform:** the band has a formal uniform of school blazer and tie with winter uniform long grey trousers/skirt. There is an event coming up in June where ALL students will need both (ASBOF), so please start to organise purchasing these now as time will go quickly and there are a limited number of second hand blazers and ties. Alternatively you can purchase new from Pickles (be aware that there is a 3 month lead time for new blazer orders).

Candy Liang has volunteered to co-ordinate the trade of second hand blazers (thank you Candy), if you are interested in purchasing one, please email her on [uniformbomc@gmail.com](mailto:uniformbomc@gmail.com) and she will endeavour to match your child up with the perfect blazer.

If you already have a blazer, make sure your student tries it on now in case they need to go up a size!

**Informal uniform:** a reminder to new band members to purchase your black band polo via Pickles School Wear (and old band members make sure your polo still fits). There are a few available for purchase second hand from the school uniform shop. This is worn with black trousers/skirt & black socks & shoes for more informal events.

This uniform will be needed for the Big Band Bash in Week 8, so please start thinking about putting everything together.

#### Invoicing

Semester 1 fees are currently being finalised and will be issued by the school this month. Prompt payment of band fees is very much appreciated to meet expenses.

Please note, Creative Kids vouchers cannot be used for band fees as the Department of Education cannot be a provider.

#### Can you help?

Our band program is coordinated by parent volunteers and we are always looking for new people to help. Any amount of time, no matter how small, is greatly appreciated, it really is true that many hands make light work, so please do get involved. There is plenty of support if you are not sure where to start with things (no-one is thrown in at the deep end) and there are always jobs available for anyone who can help, but in particular we are looking for the following:

- **Treasurer** – this role would best be shared, and is urgently needed, so please consider if you can help here
- **Music librarian** – to help organise our amazing collection of music scores
- **Helpers for our Big Band Bash** on Monday 18 March – setting up, serving pizza etc

Please do send an email to our Band Manager Christina on [bandmanagerbomc@gmail.com](mailto:bandmanagerbomc@gmail.com) if you are interested or would like to discuss any of these positions.

#### Dates For Your Diary

##### Term One

Big Band Bash – all ensembles (Note Date Change)

Monday 18 March 6pm – 7.30pm

##### Term Two

**School Open Day – SWO**

Tuesday 7 May

**Band Meeting – all parents/adults welcome**

Tuesday 4 June

**School Musical – Spamalot**

Tuesday 25 – Saturday 29 June

##### Term Three

**Workshop Day for ASBOF (pupil free day)**

Monday 21 July

**Australian School Band and Orchestra Festival (ASBOF)**

Sunday 28 July (TBC), Clancy Auditorium, UNSW Kensington Campus – all Wind & Jazz Ensembles

Sunday 25 August (TBC) NSW Conservatorium of Music – String Ensemble & Chamber Orchestra

#### Ensemble information

Wind Bands (Room 223)	
Directors – Sophie Unsen (CB & WE)	
Steve Williams (SWO)	
Concert Band (CB)	Wednesday
Wind Ensemble (WE)	Thursday
Symphonic Wind Orchestra (SWO)	Friday
Jazz bands (Jazz Lounge/Band Room)	
Director – Craig Driscoll	
Jazz Orchestra (JO)	Tuesday
Big Band (BB)	Wednesday
Stage Band (SB)	Thursday
Strings (Common Room/Room 223)	
Director – Sada Muramatsu	
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





Artwork by Sami Bayly

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