

Term 2 Week 9A 26 June 2020

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT



New Student Leaders Elected

Tuesday evening was the final stage of our 2020/2021 Student Leaders' election process. Due to the restrictions created by COVID-19, students' speeches and responses to three impromptu questions, were witnessed by SRC students and teachers only. However, thanks to the expertise of Mr Fisher and Mr Lin, we were able to livestream the event so participating students' families could nervously view and support their loved ones from the comfort of their living rooms.

Despite the unusual circumstances, the quality of students' speeches and their responses to the questions were simply outstanding and each student is to be sincerely congratulated for their efforts and, indeed, their resilience in the most unusual circumstances.

Following this exhaustive process our new Student Leaders for 2020/2021 have been determined. These students and their elected roles are included on the following pages.

This team of Leaders will take up their roles early in Term 3 allowing our current Year 12 Leaders, who have done an absolutely outstanding job, to focus on their studies as they move towards the HSC examinations.

NSW Government Response to Professor Master's Curriculum Review

The media trumpeted the advent of a new curriculum on Tuesday, with many outlets focussing on the curriculum being a 'back to basics' approach to learning, including an increased study of literacy and numeracy.

Disappointingly, this interpretation involves only a small fraction of the recommendations of the review which are far reaching and, if successfully implemented, will really allow students to develop skills and deep knowledge in an innovative and engaging manner.

In other words, I believe there are many, many positives to be found in the recommendations which will ultimately improve student learning.

The Government has laid out an ambitious timeline for the rewriting and implementation of new syllabuses by NESA commencing with early Stage 1 and some rationalisation of Stage 6 courses.

As a school we will be preparing for these changes as they are released, ensuring appropriate staff development and resource allocation. I am confident we will do this in a thoughtful timely manner.

For further details about the proposed changes, please go to NESA link https://nswcurriculumreview.nesa.nsw.edu.au.

Stage 5 Subject Selection Day

Also on Tuesday of this week, our Year 8 students were provided with details about subject selection for their 2021 elective courses. Information was provided about the courses offered and how to select courses online.

All parents would have received a detailed email explaining the process and timeline from Mr Monahan, our Stage 5 Head Teacher. If parents have any questions or concerns they should not hesitate in contacting Mr Monahan via email, gary.monahan@det.nsw.edu.au.

PNG Partnership

Sadly, our links with our PNG partner school, Sogeri National High School, have been substantially curtailed this year due to COVID-19. However, this year's team held a live link-up with all the schools involved in the project last Monday afternoon. Mrs Gatt and her team reported, despite some technical difficulties, the link-up was worthwhile and reinforced the possibilities such a link affords both schools. During the course of the link the Australian High Commissioner, who has carriage of the project, drew our attention to a recent post on their website which I have included. The post describes the success of our 2019 initiative.

Schools under the #PNGAusPartnership Secondary School Initiative are taking #COVID19 seriously, exchanging creative #WaSH ideas and supporting each other with hygiene kits.



Achieving Together

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2020/2021 Student Leaders

School Captains



Lara Flaksbard



Bailey Fraser

Aaliya Gnanasekaram



Joe Prendergast

Principal's Representatives





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Jessica Guntoro



Alexander Hunt



Natalie So



Phoenix Abran



Vice Captains

Kaylee Li



Samarth Ganju

Stage 4 Representatives



Isabella Dickinson



Joel Macbeth



Hanna Sano



Joshua Ng

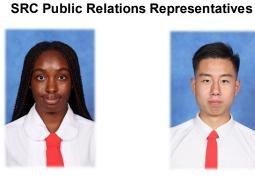
Stage 5 & Social Justice Representatives



Karishma Bajaj



Jongho Roh



Danielle Osifo



Ryan Tjandrasusilo

Sogeri National High School students recently received more than 300 toiletry packs for safe hygiene during the pandemic. The packs were from their partner school, Cherrybrook Technology High School in Sydney.

The schools are part of twelve Australian and twelve PNG schools paired together through the initiative to build leadership capabilities and connect students, teachers and Principals for shared learning opportunities.

School Holidays

As this is the last *Network* for the term it is timely to remind parents, the mid-year school holidays commence at 3.00pm on Friday 3 July and continue until Tuesday 21 July when all students are to return to school. Staff will be involved in a Staff Development Day on Monday 20 July. This is a student free day and parents should ensure any supervision arrangements necessary for their children are in place for this day.

It is expected all students will attend, in full winter school uniform, up to the final bell on the last school day of term.

Year 12 AP4 Examinations

Year 12 AP4 Examinations will commence on Monday 3 August. Students in their final year should use the holiday period to continue preparations for these exams. However, it is critical, given the difficult year we have all experienced, a balanced approach is maintained to their studies. Students should make time for exercise and relaxation, as well as an appropriate study regime.

Mr Johnson



PROCEDURE FOR EARLY LEAVERS

If a student needs to leave school early, they **must** provide a note from their parent/guardian giving reasons for their partial absence. **The student must hand the note in at the student window before 8.30am** where they will be issued with a leave pass. They can then present this pass to their teacher and leave school at the appropriate time.

On Thursdays, if you have sport, you **MUST** have your early leave note signed off by a member of the PDHPE staff before presenting to the office.

PROCEDURE FOR LATE ARRIVALS

All students arriving to school after 8.40am *must* sign in at the student window, **WITH THEIR STUDENT ID CARD**, where they will be issued with a late note. All late arrivals are required to have a note from their parent/guardian giving reasons for being late. No note results in a detention.

PROCEDURES FOR SICK STUDENTS

Students who are sick during class should see a teacher for written permission to go to sick bay. They must present themselves promptly to the **front office** and politely follow instructions from the office staff, who will then contact a parent/guardian when necessary.

According to COVID-19 policy, any students exhibiting cold/flu symptoms will have their temperature taken and must be sent home as soon as possible. Sick bay is used for a short time only. Students should not call their parents in the first instance. *Please be advised the school does not supply any medication, including pain killers, medicated creams, eye drops etc.*



DIGITAL WORKSHOP

DEMYSTIFYING ADOLESCENTS

This free online workshop is a crash course in the developmental psychology of adolescents for parents and carers. You will learn how to understand and communicate effectively with young people.

Demystifying Adolescents is led by Michael Carr-Gregg, a high profile psychologist in Australia and known for his work in the prevention of youth suicide.

When Monday 29 June Time 7.00 - 8.00pm Where Online workshop

For more information and to register, visit www.ryde.nsw.gov.au/ Demystifying-Adolescents or call 9952 8222.







Cherrybrook Technology High School Vaccination Clinic Visit 3 July 2020

Vaccinations offered at this clinic will be:

Year 7: dTpa

Year 7: HPV dose 1 (catchup) Year 8: HPV dose 2 (catchup)

Year 10: Meningococcal ACWY (catchup)

Informative video: The following link informs Year 7 students about immunisations and the clinic process:

https://www.health.gov.au/resources/videos/getting-your-diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis-dtpa-vaccination-at-school-what-to-expect

Year 7 students who are absent at this visit can have their immunisation at the next clinic. You do not need to go to your GP if you are absent.

Similarly, Year 8 and 10 students who are absent can get their vaccine at the next immunisation clinic.

Students receiving catchup vaccinations in Years 8 and 10 will be notified by email.

If you have any further questions, please don't hesitate to contact the School Immunisation Team on (02) 02 9485 6971

FUN FIRST AID TIPS

Chapped Lips - the Do's and Don'ts:



- Moisturise your lips lips don't have oil glands, so go ahead and moisturise
- Use lip balm anything with petrolatum, petroleum and paraffin will help protect them
- Load it on! yep don't be shy, apply balm every two hours to prevent dryness and cracking
- · Drink up! drinking water will help hydrate your whole body!

DON'T

- Lick your lips! the saliva actually dries your skin further
- Go commando if you don't give your lips protection they will become dry
- Use ice this is just as bad as licking them
- Pick them peeling the dry flaky bits can lead to damage under the top layer of cells.

CAREERS UPDATE

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Destination Australia Scholarships

Late round applications close Saturday
27 June. Destination Australia
Scholarships are funded by the
Commonwealth Government and are
designed to attract and support students
who choose to live and study in regional
communities. Each scholarship provides
\$15,000 per student, per year to meet the
costs associated with relocating, living
and studying in regional Australia. Learn

how to apply by visiting https://www.tafensw.edu.au/scholarships/
DestinationAustralia.

2020 Bert Evans Apprentice Scholarships

Applications close **Friday 3 July.** Don't let your school-based apprentices miss out on applying! If you are a high achieving apprentice, including school-based apprentices, these scholarships provide financial assistance to help you achieve your career goals. Scholarships are valued at \$5,000 each year for up to three years. Visit

www.training.nsw.gov.au.

JMC FREE Online July School Holiday Workshops

JMC is proud to present for the first time, a series of online high school workshops. These workshops have been designed for students in Years 9-12 and provide an insight into life at JMC. All workshops will be held online, via Zoom and will be interactive, making them the perfect creative experience for the upcoming school holiday break! To register go to





Become a Lenovo Gaming E-pprentice

Did you know around 60% of Australians consider a career in Gaming? If one of them is you, then this could be your chance. Lenovo are offering one lucky candidate a Gaming E-pprenticeship. You will be rewarded with \$5,000 and a heap of the latest gaming gear to develop your gaming and streaming skills. You will also get three one-on-one training sessions to learn about some of the key aspects of the Gaming Industry. To apply, you just need to submit a short video demonstrating your passion for gaming. Applications are open until Monday 29 June. Find out more and apply here https://legionepprentice.thinkfwd.com.au/.

National Youth Science Forum: Applications Extended!

The National Youth Science Forum (NYSF) is a great opportunity for students going into Year 12 in 2021 to learn all about the diverse careers available in STEM. Applications for the 2021 program have been extended until 20 July, so get yours in here.



MHFA Future Leaders Program

Are you passionate about helping other young people struggling with mental health issues? You can apply for the MHFA Future Leaders Program and help make a difference in your community and Australia-wide. Find out more here.

FOR PARENTS OF YEAR 12

This year has presented students with many challenges. If your student is feeling lost, confused or unsure about the future, there are ways you can help. Raising Teenagers has written an article with some tips on how you can support your child through these tough times.

Take a look here http://

www.raisingteenagers.com.au/what-the-final-class-of-2020-needs-from-you-right-now/.

Apprenticeships in NSW

If you are thinking of doing an apprenticeship, MIGAS currently has plenty of positions open for applications. There are apprenticeships available in Mechanical, Automotive, Fabrication and more. Find out more and apply here https://www.migas.com.au/jobs/new-south-wales/.



Ready to Launch with EY (Ernst and Young)

Join EY for an interactive webinar where you can learn about the work of a global professional services organisation and why it's so important to understand the diverse and global world in which we live. We will share our views on why your mindset, not just your skills set, is important and what you can be doing to prepare for your future. You will hear from a range of EY professionals, including some current and recent graduates, who will answer your questions on the transition to university, the workforce and, specifically, starting their career journey at EY.



Date and time: Thursday 9 July 2020, 11.00am-12.30pm

Register here: https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/ey-ready-to-launch-tickets-109888545598

Careers Advisers are available for Zoom interview meetings with students and parents. You can arrange a meeting by contacting us

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Mrs Ferguson and Ms Tenedora



The holidays are rapidly approaching. Any outstanding resources should be returned before the end of next week. Renew any resources you wish to keep longer so you avoid overdue charges. Borrow many diverse resources for the holidays so you shall never have to utter that sadly overused phrase "I'm bored".

Students participating in the Premier's Reading Challenge have till August 25 to complete their reading and the log. At the library circulation desk, you will see a Book Bingo box and the Spin-the-Wheel-To-Pick-a-Book wheel. If you are overwhelmed, a procrastinator or indecisive, these two options will guide you to a decision.

Ms Halder and Ms Sorensen





CALENDAR - Term 2 Week 10B	
Monday 29 June	Mentor Teacher Training Day
Tuesday 30 June	 HSC Dance Trial Examination HSC Assessment Task - CAFS Prelim Assessment Task - Ancient History
Wednesday 1 July	 HSC Assessment Task - Chemistry Depth Study Prelim Assessment Task - Year 11 Mathematics Standard AT2 Year 8 Mathematics CAT2 HSC Assessment Task - Work Studies
Thursday 2 July	Prelim Assessment Task - PDHPE
Friday 3 July	 Vaccinations - see page 5 for details Year 7 Reports Available via Parent Portal HSC Assessment Task - Legal Studies Prelim Assessment Task - Visual Arts HSC Assessment Task - Aboriginal Studies Year11 Students Term 2 Ends