

PRINCIPLES UPDATE: 10 November 2023

Dear all,

Our first use of the school hall was a fitting one with three of our local primary schools sending their performance bands to the inaugural Harbourside Music Festival. Each of the schools including Mosman High' jazz band and performance band played three pieces and then at the end of the concert all four bands took the stage for a combined performance. That will give you an idea of how huge our stage is!

Furthermore, we had 400 chairs in place for the audience and we could easily have fitted 400 more. The hall is fabulous and you can all come and see it on Monday 20th and Tuesday 21st November when we hold our Spring Concert and then Ensemble concert.

The landscaping is rapidly moving towards completion. All the concrete stairs and bleaches have been poured and the plaza outside the hall is being laid with bricks. Next week will be very exciting as the central part of the school will have the grass installed and more planting will occur around the central plaza which will soften the playground.

At the moment the students don't have their central basketball court and play area as it is being resurfaced but we are hoping that will be completed by Wednesday. The car park has been stripped back ready for asphalt which should happen either this Saturday or the following Saturday.

While it will be wonderful to have this capital works program completed, there will still be more. Over the summer vacation the D block roof will be replaced with new tiles. Also the carpet in D block will be replaced and we are so fortunate to also be having the corridors painted. D block will look as new for our student when they return to school in 2024.

As I mentioned previously term 4 is when semester 2 reports are being issued. We start with Year 11 receiving their reports today at an assembly in the school hall and then in two weeks time Years 9 and 10 will receive their reports and then two weeks later the final reports for Years 7 and 8 will be presented to students.

Term 4 also sees some staff changes. At the moment we are interviewing for the new Deputy Principal to replace Colette Longley who recently retired and there are a few other positions. As we replace teachers who are leaving Mosman High and employ new replacements, I will keep you updated.

The last High Flyer for the year will be coming out in the next week and all of the last P&C committee meetings will also be taking place. So, hope to see you at some of the award ceremonies, concerts, sporting grand finals or other school events over the final five weeks of 2023.

Best wishes,
Susan