

Principal's Update – 13 September 2024

Dear all

Hope this email finds you well 😊.

Year 11 are well into their final Preliminary exams and understanding and adapting to the routine that is required. We had an extra complication as the Mosman Council elections are being held tomorrow and we are a polling booth. For our wonderful General Assistants this means putting away over 160 exam desks and chairs on Friday afternoon and then setting them up again on Monday morning. It has also meant rearranging the exam rooming.

However we have made it happen and hopefully the elections will go ahead smoothly. Speaking of which the P&C art committee and the P&C music committee are holding cake sales and sausage sizzles on Saturday as part of the traditional election fare. Thank you to both committees for making this happen, with all proceeds going to our students.

This coming week is the final school week for Year 12. They are all engaged in revision at the moment leading up to the actual HSC examinations. This week and next we will hold the final HSC performances. Music 1 students had their performances on Thursday and music 2 performances will take place this coming Monday. Also all the HSC art work was packaged up and trucked to Homebush for marking. Well done to all students and their teachers!

Year 12 students are counting down their last subject lessons and school days before their graduation and StuVac. Already we have heard some exciting news, in that Sabine Soh (Year 11 and accelerated in dance) has had three nominations for her performances and compositions. Also in drama Phoenix Leech and Abigail Rowe have been nominated for their individual performances and Phoenix, Abigail, Sofia Madsen and Libby Heussler were nominated for their group performances. Furthermore, after chatting with many Year 12 students I am excited to hear that many have already received early entry to university and for some multiple entries.

Early entry does support those students who may be anxious about the HSC and the coming year. While early entry provides a measure of support students are also determined to get the best HSC they can achieve.

All years except Year 11 have completed their subject selections for 2025. After Year 11 finish their exams they will then decide which subject they will drop leading to their HSC. Then the timetable team will be able to finalise the timetable for 2025.

Of course week 10 is an exciting one for students ... apart from it being the last week of term 3. Year 12 have their graduation day on Monday. Then on Tuesday the Police Youth Liaison Officer will be visiting our school to chat to Years 9 and 10. On the evening of that Tuesday we will host the final concert for our music students who will be travelling to Japan in the holidays. All families and friends welcome.

Then Wednesday to Friday, Year 8 will be at camp. On Friday of this coming week we have organised Y Safe - a group that promotes healthy use of technology including social media, to speak to Years 7, 8 and 9. They also provide a fabulous parent evening which we will look to hold early in term 4.

Have a lovely weekend

Susan