

Principal's Update – 15 November 2024

Dear all,

Well what a week we have just experienced:

On Monday Year 10 finished the numeracy part of the HSC minimum standards, so this now means that all Year 10 have completed minimum standards testing and HSC all my own work. The only requirement left to complete for the HSC is Life Ready which will take place at the camp later this term.

Tuesday we held the 'No Bullying' seminars for Years 9 and 10 and at the same time we ran, for Year 11 the 'GPs in School' program which was well received by Year 11.

Wednesday was fabulous and a challenge!

The events were amazing - in the morning we had the 'Year 5 Taste of High School' experience. The Year 5 students loved the opportunity to experience two high school lessons and Year 10 who helped facilitate the morning did an outstanding job. Then in the evening the P&C music committee ran the second 'Harbourside Music Festival'. The hall was packed and the quality of the primary school bands as well as our band was fabulous as was the combined performance to end the concert.

Where the challenges occurred related to one of the orange hall doors coming off its hinge and of course they are so heavy it took Mosman Toyota lending us an hydraulic lift to get it back in place. Thank you to Mosman Toyota ... Mosman is a really great community 🏆 Then an accidental stacking of chairs in the chair store resulted in some chairs hitting an alarm switch and for the first time since the new build we had the G block alarm go off.

As I am sure students and staff will testify the alarm and voice message is loud. It took us some time to work out how to turn off the alarm which we eventually did, but the good news is that we now know what to do if it happens again. By the way the whole school was amazing - they walked in an orderly way to the COLA. In fact Head of WHS said everyone was so good we don't need another term 4 drill. Whoo Hooo 😊

On Thursday we invited the Police Youth Liaison Officer to speak to Years 7 and 8 about a diverse range of topics appropriate to them. They seemed to enjoy the presentation and asked lots of questions.

Over the next two weeks the final meetings for the P&C committees for the year will take place:

- Tuesday 19 @ 6.00 pm the Sports committee will meet in the reception area. If there is a change to Zoom I will text everyone.
- Thursday 21 @ 6.00 pm the Wellbeing committee will also meet in reception
- Monday 25 @ 6.00 pm the art committee will meet in the art block
- Tuesday 26 @ 6.00 pm the music committee will meet in reception

- Thursday 28 @ 7.00 pm the final P&C meeting for the year will take place on Level 3 G block.

If there are any changes to these meeting dates or locations I will send you a text.

Best wishes

Susan