

## Principal's Update – 7 June 2024

Dear all

What a great start to the week with Grandparents Morning on Monday. The Year 7 students were exemplary both as an audience and as performers. While the students have only been in high school for a term and a few weeks the quality of the dance, drama and musical performance showed a level of cohesion and professionalism that indicated a longer time together.

Thank you to John Feros and Bernadette Smith for their coordination of the morning and other staff who supported the students. A highlight is always when a grandparent speaks about their days at school and this year we had an excellent speech about high school in Queensland where the school was co-ed but the playground was divided into one half for boys and the other for girls. I should tell you that in the 1940's Mosman High had exactly the same format.

Students are very busy at this time with assessments and teachers with report writing. Just a reminder that in the back of the assessment booklets (which are also on the webpage) the list of all assessments is included by week so you can help your student plan. Of course our senior students in Years 11 and 12 will be having an exam week including a StuVac. For Year 12 it is week 8 and for Year 11 it is scheduled for week 9. During these weeks students will only attend school for assessments that are run in class time or to study in the library.

Year 10 had their Information Evening last night and this was the first information evening at school for four years due to two years of COVID and then two years of building. It was wonderful to see all the parents and students who braved the really horrid weather to attend the evening. Next week we start the Year 10 interview week and all students received their interview time last night on the front of their subject selection booklet. I am pleased that at Mosman we offer a wide range of subjects for our students to choose, and of course subjects at every level.

Just a reminder that parents are very welcome to attend their students interview. Students are to come to the school foyer 5 minutes before their interview time and meet their parents. All interviews will occur in the two interview rooms adjacent to the foyer. Parents will enter via the gate in front of the glass sliding doors on Belmont Road. Just press the Intercom and an office worker will open the gate.

Next week from Wednesday to Friday is the Year 7 camp. Today we had an assembly to discuss what to bring, and what not to bring. What to bring is where possible, 2 pairs of shoes (just in case one pair gets wet), a pillow and sleeping bag (or sheets). What not to bring - food (it is supplied), any technology and specifically mobile phones. We have been told the reception is not strong at the Broken Bay site but also it is a school excursion so no phones. The staff will contact the school to provide an ETA on Friday and we will send an SMS to all Year 7 parents if you are picking up your child. At this time we are expecting the happy campers will be back by 2.30 pm on Friday afternoon. It is an early start of 7.30 am on the Wednesday.

Well I hope everyone has a lovely long weekend and also that the weather is sunny (well at least not rainy) for the next three days.

Best wishes

Susan