

Principal's Update – 26 September 2025

Dear all

What an amazing start to the final week of term. The Year 12 graduation day was special, from the morning assembly to the afternoon picnic lunch and then to the formal graduation held in our school hall.

It was wonderful to hear the speeches from students in Years 7 through to 11 and what the 'Class of 2025' meant to them. The musical items were fabulous and the film of Year 12 over the years resulted in many misty eyes.

Fortunately the weather remained fine for the picnic and bar-b-que, and then students returned by bus to get ready for the evening graduation.

I have attended many graduation ceremonies but this one was very special. The speeches from Phil Webster the chair of the sports committee representing the Year 12 parents, Keith Hardy and Erin Li, the Year 12 Year Advisers, and our two outgoing school captains Rafferty Laight and Katie McPherson were outstanding. The supper provided by Year 12 hospitality students and their teacher Jacques Willems was superb and very well received.

Year 12 are a fine year group and it was a privilege to see them walk onto the stage to accept their graduation portfolios and other gifts from the P&C. Now they are in a StuVac before the HSC examinations commence on Thursday week 1, term 4 with English.

More exciting news! We have just heard that two Year 12 students Rafferty Laight and Millie Ottaviano have been nominated for HSC Encore due to their fine musical performances. While six Industrial Technology students (five in multimedia and one in timber) have been nominated for Shape and Charlotte Gilliland has had her textiles major work also nominated. [Congratulations](#) to all these students and their teachers Mitchell Williamson, Patrick Griffin, Morgan Smith and Clare Diggins.

Of course this Saturday will be an exciting time for thirty of our art students and Mrs. Ackerman and Ms. Peniazeva who will be travelling to Paris for two weeks of art immersion. The itinerary looks incredible and we hope to have an exhibition of their work when they return. We wish them well on this exciting adventure.

At the end of every term we practice either an evacuation drill or lockdown. Today will be an evacuation drill. These drills ensure that all staff and students know what to do in the case of an emergency in the school.

I wish all families an enjoyable spring break. Over the holidays there will be a number of improvements occurring at school including resurfacing of the COLA and upgrade to the COLA roof. The science staff will be getting a much needed new kitchen and shelving and a number of classrooms in D block will be painted.

Staff return on Monday 13 October for a Staff Professional Learning day and then all students Years 7-11 return on Tuesday 14 October.

Finally thank you and farewell to John Feros who has been at Mosman as a teacher, Head Teacher Performing Arts and Deputy Principal of Years 7 and 8. After thirty-five years at

Mosman High John is about to retire. I know you will join with me in wishing him well in the next phase of his life.

Best wishes

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