## Principal's Update – 29 August 2025

Dear all

How wonderful to see the sun!

At school with dry, sunny days the students are embracing the outdoor spaces, which is great to see.

The Year 9 camp is coming to an end and Year 9 students and their teachers will be arriving at school this afternoon. As soon as we hear the ETA we will send a text to all Year 9 families. The teachers have sent photos and I must say it appears that the students have had amazing weather and a fabulous time. Monday and Tuesday it was picture perfect on the slopes with bright blue sky and lots of snow. On Wednesday and Thursday snow clouds descended and lots of fresh snow fell. This certainly added to the experience. A huge thank you to the staff who attended the camp - Josh Ferguson, Jane Piper, Carolyn Jelley, Noah Hodge, Carolyn Yu, Adam Loader, Raffy Guilambarian and Hayley Rose. It is only with the support of staff that these fabulous experiences for students are able to happen.

Speaking of camps, the Year 8 camp commences in two weeks on Wednesday 10 September. This will be a further opportunity for students to form new relationships, focus on the sustainability of the beautiful area the camp is located in and develop new skills.

Next week is the last week for revision before Year 11 commence their final Preliminary examinations. These exams last two weeks and during those two weeks Year 11 will be on StuVac. This means that Year 11 students will only attend school when sitting an exam, for the remainder of that time they are able to study at home or in the school library or for some use the Mosman library. Next week Mrs. Prowle the Stage 6 deputy principal will discuss the upcoming exam block with Year 11 and explain to the relevant students Disability Provisions.

After so many years of schooling, it is hard to believe that Year 12 students only have three weeks before graduation. Over these next three weeks, students will be focused on revision and in some subjects completing the course work. Last week Year 12 HSC drama had their performance exam and their teacher John Feros was very happy with their efforts. This weekend Industrial Technology major works in timber and multimedia will be assessed. While on Tuesday and Wednesday nights last week, the music 1, 2 and extension students performed their HSC pieces to family and friends before their upcoming HSC performance exams in the next two weeks.

Did you manage to visit the visual arts exhibition? Despite the weather on Friday night the opening was packed and the special guest Michael Kempson a renowned artist, was extremely complimentary of student work from Year 7 to Year 12. I must say the Year 12 works were exceptional and they should be extremely proud of their achievements. Thank you to Fiona Ackerman and the art staff for the incredible work they do in supporting our students and art at Mosman.

Finally, we found a dry day for 'Multicultural Day'. Thank you to the SRC and the Year 12 Leadership Council for organising such a fabulous day. The stalls arranged around the central plaza were loaded with delicacies and there were fun activities to engage in as well. The event raised over \$1000 for charity.

As you can see lots happening (as always).

Have a lovely weekend,

Susan

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