Principal's Update – 5 September 2025

Dear all

As I write this update for week 8 of term 3, is it just me or does the year seem to be flying past.

Year 12 have only two weeks till they graduate on Monday 22 September. Year 11 are commencing their final Preliminary exams next week and also next week Year 8 are off to camp from Wednesday 10 September till Friday 12 September.

So much is happening for each of our year groups. Year 7 had vaccinations yesterday (Thursday 4 September) and of course Year 9 have just returned from a very successful ski camp. While Year 10 may seem to be having a slightly quieter time that will change next term when they will have their 'Life Ready' camp, complete HSC minimum standards as well as HSC 'All My Own Work'.

It is hard to believe that Year 12 are reaching the end of their high school years. It only seems like yesterday that they were entering Year 7 in 2020. What a challenging year to enter high school with the onset of COVID for their first two years ... and yet here they are wonderful young men and women about to graduate, finalise their HSC year and move on to the next stage in their educational journey.

Early entry offers are starting to be released and so far students have heard from the University of Wollongong and Macquarie University. Of course the early entry while nice to receive is not the main game which is achieving the best result possible in the upcoming HSC.

On Wednesday 3rd, is Merchant Navy Day and our school captains Katie McPherson and Rafferty Laight represented our school and presented the address at the ceremony at the Mosman Art gallery. As always these fine young people did an amazing job.

While it will be sad to say farewell to the Class of 2025, already we are preparing for 2026. Elections have occurred for the 2026 Leadership Council and this week the new Council and executive staff are voting for the school captains and vice-captains.

Last night we held a meeting in the theatre of students and parents interested in an overseas music tour to Canada. Visiting schools and performing in Toronto, Ottawa and Montreal will be a highlight as will experiencing French culture and visiting places including Niagara Falls. If your child is a musician and interested in such an experience have a chat to the music staff or Caroline Fechner in music.

This coming week. we will start the final parent meetings for the term.

- Tuesday 9 September The P&C sports committee meeting in reception commencing at 6.00 pm
- Thursday 11 September The P&C Wellbeing & Inclusion committee also meeting at 6.00 pm in reception

Both committees welcome all parents to attend.

Regards

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