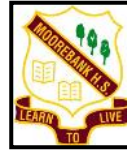


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Principal's Report - Ms Grego



Term 3 has begun with a flurry of events and activities.

Firstly I would like to thank the SASS staff for the outstanding commitment in managing the new school financial system, LMBR, and the patience of the school community during this new learning experience for all. Our subject selection evening and parent teacher nights were a huge success with exceptional community involvement.

Mr Lewis facilitated a hugely successful work experience week for our year 10 students. The Deputy Principals have worked closely with our Police Liaison Officer to support our students in Years 7 – 10 in understanding their responsibilities with social media, including the dangers of, precautions to take and legal ramifications.

Our student leaders have been busy hosting several events including Jeans for Genes Day, presentations in understanding the plight of refugees and an early RU OK day as the Year 11 students have worked extremely hard on this and the National day clashes with their assessment period.



Year 12 Graduation

It is critical that students in Year 12 attend all classes in what is, in effect, their final month of secondary schooling. Teachers will be providing quality feedback on their assessment performance which will be vitally important as students prepare for the actual HSC examinations in October. Students are reminded that formal lessons continue until the Tuesday 19th September and inappropriate behaviours are not permitted. The Year 12 Graduation rehearsal and picnic day will be held on Wednesday 20th September. The Year 12 Graduation Assembly will be held on Thursday 21st September and will be a formal occasion. Students will need to be in full school uniform and ensure they are present for both the rehearsal and the graduation. Permission notes have been sent home with your child/ward. Copies are also available on the school website. Students have been provided with comprehensive information regarding the graduation, examination procedures and the sign out prior to the formal (Click on the link below). Students were also given information in regards to applying for a school reference. We are keen to see all students receive their references and formal tickets etc. so please do not misplace this information as it contains all the dates and deadlines.

P&C Meeting : Monday 11 September at 7.00pm in the school library.

Kind regards

Vally Grego

Year 12 End of year organisation
(click here for further information)

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FACULTY FOCUS— PDHPE

Introduction to the Faculty:

At the end of term one Ms Eathorne received a transfer closer to home and we wish her the best of luck. Mr Gutierrez is currently replacing Ms Eathorne. We welcome Ms Paulson who is replacing Ms Rombi for the remainder of the year while she is on maternity leave.

Ms Xenakis is continuing her roles as Year 8 Adviser and Sport Organiser. Ms Fedele is also continuing as Year 10 Adviser and Sport Organiser. Mr Mitchell has now taken over the role as Assistant Year 10 Adviser.

Classroom teachers are the first point of contact if you have any queries and we are always happy to talk with parents. The classes our teachers have this year are:

PDHPE

Ms C.Debreczeni (Head Teacher) - 7E, 8B, 8R, 9Y PASS, 11.4 PDHPE, 12.5 Sport coaching

Ms C.Xenakis - 7R, 9 Goodes, 10 Freeman, 10X PASS, 12.4 PDHPE 2

Ms L.Fedele - 8K, 9 Cahill, 9 Jackson, 9Y PASS, 10 Thorpe, 11.4 PDHPE 1

Mr B.Mitchell - 8M, 8R, 9 Perry, 9 Freeman, 9X PASS 1, 11.6 Sport Coaching

Mr G.Gutierrez - 7O, 8K, 8B, 12.4 PDHPE 1

Ms R.Baghdadi - 7K, 7B, 8E, 9 Thorpe, 9 Inglis, 10 Jackson, 10 Goodes

Ms B. Paulson - 7M, 8O, 9X PASS 2, 10 Cahill, 10 Inglis

Languages

Ms A Turner - 8M, 8O, 8B, 8K, 9X French, 12.3 Modern Greek

Ms L Siuhengalu - 8R, 8M, 8E, 8R, 8K

UPCOMING ASSESSMENTS IN PDHPE

Year group	Task	Due date
Year 7 PDHPE	Research Task	Week 8
Year 8 PDHPE	Risky Business – Research Task	Week 8
Year 9 PDHPE	Project Based Assessment	Weeks 1-5
Year 9 PASS	Research Task	Week 8
Year 10 PDHPE	Task 3 – In Class Assessment - Practical	Ongoing – Term 3
Year 10 PASS	Task 3	Week 6
Year 11 PDHPE	Core 2 The Body in Motion	Week 5
Year 12 PDHPE	Core 1	Week 6

FACULTY FOCUS— PDHPE

First Aid Course

On Thursday the 8th June 2017, Moorebank's Senior PDHPE students and Sports Coaching students underwent training for their First Aid Certificate.

The experienced staff at Vital First Aid trained our students. They continually upheld the school's BRAVE values, showing strong initiative to learn. As a result, they were all successful in passing and now hold a certificate to be able to practise First Aid.

Being qualified in First Aid is not only invaluable for the student but also beneficial to the community. Our students now have the capacity to assist persons who become injured in the event of an accident or an emergency until help arrives. These First Aid skills can be applied in the home, the workplace or in public locations, therefore the more First Aid certified people there are in a community the safer that community becomes.

Our students take pride in knowing that with their First Aid qualifications, they can make a difference. They can lead with confidence and ensure that a simple injury does not become severe and in some cases fatal. Our students take pride in knowing that, First Aid does not just promote faster recovery it helps save lives.



CROSSROADS REMINDER!

Year 11 will be participating in *Crossroads* during week 10 of Term 3. *Crossroads* is a mandatory program for students in Years 11 and/or 12 in NSW government schools.

Crossroads is designed to help senior students address issues of health, safety and wellbeing at a time when they face significant changes and challenges in their lives. *Crossroads* aims to prepare and support these students as they encounter situations related to identity, independence and their changing responsibilities.

Crossroads aims to build students' sense of empowerment and respect for themselves and others.

Students are reminded to submit their payment and permission note to the office by the due date.

FACULTY FOCUS—LANGUAGES

French & Modern Greek



Languages at Moorebank High School

The Languages staff work together tirelessly to create a unique learning experience in both French and Modern Greek classes. Foreign language is an important area of Moorebank High School which helps students become more aware of their own culture and background. Language learning teaches students about the wider world within their classrooms.

Year 8 French students look forward to an exciting excursion in term four to the well-known French restaurant, The Little Snail in Pymont, allowing them to learn about and taste authentic French cuisine whilst using the French vocabulary and phrases they have learnt in class.

The French Club – a lunch time students club – was also established in Term Two of this year to encourage all language enthusiasts at Moorebank High School to further explore their interest of the French language and culture in a relaxed and fun environment.

The Club has had a great start with three successful meetings throughout Terms Two and Three which included French music, language and food. In future club meetings, students will also enjoy a French film and more fun activities that engage them with the target language.

Ms. Siuhengalu and Ms. Turner – Language Teachers

First year 8 assignment to be submitted by James Baker, Harrison Baker & Dylan Thomas.

Bastille Day

In France, Bastille Day is the most important national holiday, annually celebrated on the 14th of July to commemorate the storming of the Bastille prison in 1789. Bastille Day is a public holiday where many towns decorate their house with the tricolor flag of blue, white and red, and celebrate the joyous occasion with fireworks, parades, military bands and food. On the famous Champs-Élysées, one can see the biggest celebrations for Bastille Day. French people show great pride on this day that marks the beginning of the French revolution and when King Louis XVI lost his power over the country.

As the 14th of July was during the school holidays, French Club decided to celebrate Bastille Day on the 28th of July where we made crêpes with various toppings. Our teachers provided us with the batter and toppings – maple syrup, chocolate sauce, strawberry syrup, whipped cream, ice cream, lemon and sugar - while we were each given the opportunity to fry crêpes and decorate them with toppings of our choice. We separated into groups and attempted to make crêpes, following the teacher's instructions, to make them as thin as possible. Although it was difficult to get the crêpes to become thin, it was a very enjoyable lunch and a new experience. The teachers also played some French music to allow us to embrace the French culture and even organised some Bastille Day trivia, although we didn't have enough time for it. With previous studies on Bastille Day in class along with the crêpe making, the French Club was given a chance to experience a miniature version of this important national holiday, allowing us to be more familiar with the French culture.

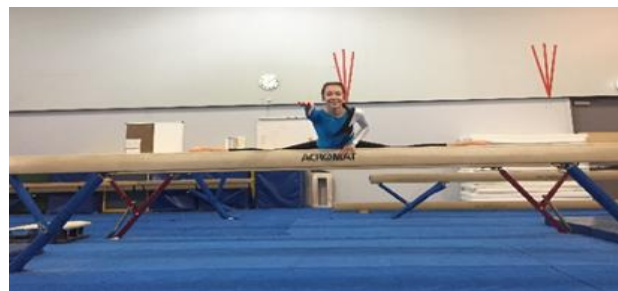


Diethnes Greek Restaurant Excursion

The Year 12 Modern Greek Students will be heading to the city on Friday, 1st September to experience Greek traditional cuisine at Diethnes Greek Restaurant in Pitt Street. The day will also provide students with the opportunity to practice their Greek Speaking Skills in preparation for their upcoming HSC examination. This should prove to be a rewarding experience for all.

Ms. Siuhengalu and Ms. Turner – Language Teachers

MHS SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS



There have been some outstanding sporting achievements so far this year and it is a credit to those students who have worked so hard and excelled in their endeavours.

In the knockout sports, congratulations to the Boys Open Basketball team and the Girls tennis team who both made the Sydney South West regional finals. Both teams won a number of games and represented the school with pride and distinction. The boys basketball team included Corey Watt, Duane Durbin, Luke Shinner, Brendon Wood, Filip Pejakovic, Laith Ayari, Dylan Ward, Steven Otakilevuka, Stefan Tomic, Zak Hamze, Joshua Outterside and Nikhil Chandrashekar. The girls' tennis team included Barbara Garipoli, Sharron Britto, Kelsey Rayner, Aneka Loder, and Abby Shearim.

Individually several students have gained selection at a higher level. This substantial list includes:

- **Janine Fedda**- 2nd overall in level 4 gymnastics and will compete in the CHS championships early August.
- **Laith Ayari**- represented Sydney South West at the CHS basketball championships in Wollongong
- **Taya Truman**- represented Sydney South West in the CHS girls under 16's and open touch Football championships. Taya also represented Bankstown zone at the Sydney South West girls basketball and swimming trials.
- **Barbara Garipoli**- will represent Sydney South West for girl's tennis at the CHS championships in Wagga Wagga in September.
- **Anne Doniare**- represented Sydney South West at the CHS swimming championships in the 200m freestyle, CHS cross country and Bankstown Zone at the Sydney South West Athletics.
- **Rachel Dimond**- participated in the state dance ensemble and represented Sydney South West in Water Polo at the CHS championships.
- **Mia Nikolic**—represented Sydney South West at the CHS swimming championships in the 200m freestyle.

Several other students represented the Bankstown Zone at the Sydney South West swimming, cross country and athletics championships. This included: Aleisha Thackray (swimming), Yenny Sun (swimming, cross country and athletics), Jessica Ly (swimming), Cassandra Jones (swimming), Jorgie Luxan (swimming), Julie El-Hammad (swimming), Mia Benive (swimming), Bianca Onuhua (cross country), Jessica Broder (cross country and athletics), Paula Diaz (cross country), Lara Britten (cross country), Hannah Pollard (cross country and athletics), Nina Cvijanovic (cross country and athletics), Clinton Pham (athletics), Thomas Hamilton (athletics), Joel Furner (athletics), Jed Murphy (athletics), Sean Julius (athletics), Mitchell Russell (athletics), Daniel Russell (athletics), Mitchell Heaslip (athletics and cross country), Steven Otakilevuka (athletics), Kailenn Harvey (athletics), Alicia Van De Braak (athletics), Sara Downie (athletics), and Jocelyn Pobert (athletics).

Congratulations to all those students on their outstanding achievements.



CAREERS NEWS

Year 10 recently completed Work Experience and the vast majority of students involved found it a most valuable experience. Students travelled to locations as far as Inverell (near Armidale) in the north, Bowral / Wollongong in the south, Bondi in the east and Penrith in the west.

Each student I spoke to during Work Experience indicated the experience would have a substantial impact on their future career decisions.



Year 12 students have had an opportunity to attend a series of lunch time presentations from a variety of Universities including the University of Sydney, University of NSW and Western Sydney University. These sessions were well attended and student feedback indicated these sessions were informative and most beneficial.

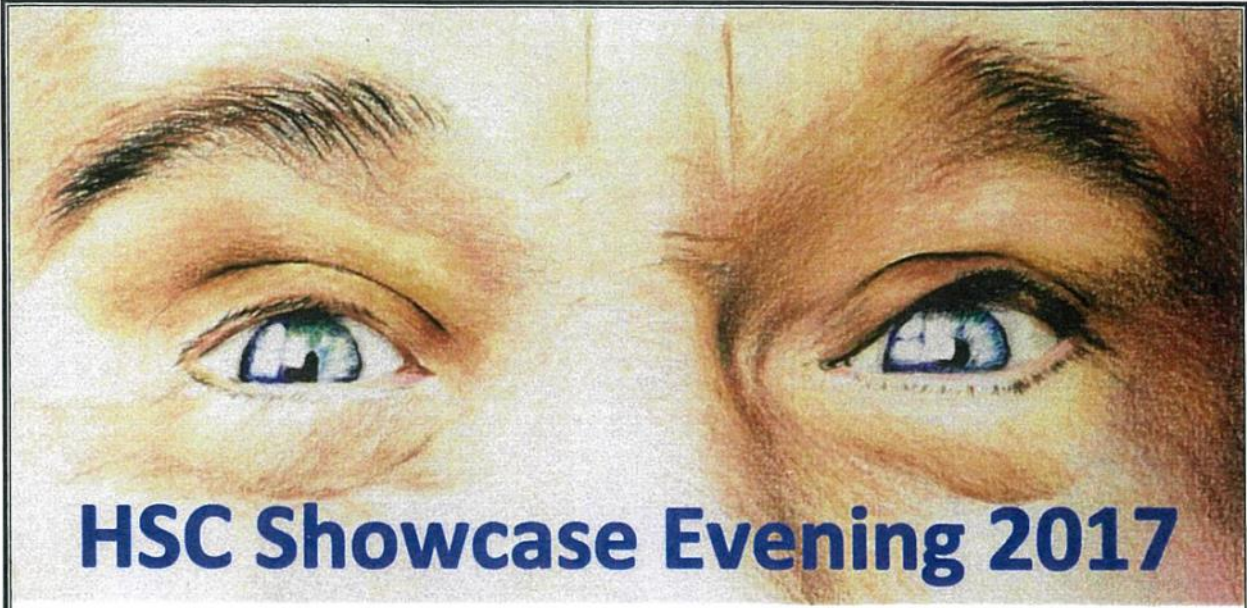
UAC applications are now open and students must submit these before midnight Friday 29th September, 2017 to avoid higher processing charges. Note: Applications will not be processed or offers made without payment of the processing fee.

This year UAC has reduced the number of course selections to 5, so it is essential for students to give thoughtful consideration to their selections prior to submission. It is recommended students meet with the Careers Adviser to discuss proposed course selections prior to submission to UAC.



Peter Lewis

Careers Advisor



HSC Showcase Evening 2017

Moorebank High School invites you to celebrate the achievements of the 2017 Year 12 Students.



Thursday 24th August

6 - 8pm

Moorebank High School Hall

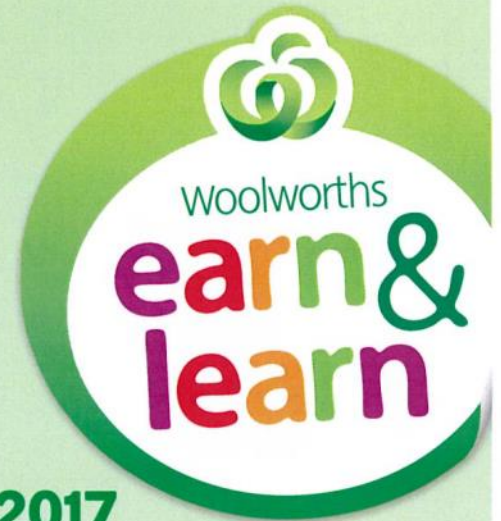
Major Works from Visual Arts, Timber, Graphics as well as Software Design & Development will be on display from 6pm.

Music Performances will commence at 7pm.

Light refreshments will be served by Hospitality students.

Contact: Mr A Cardillo-Zallo (HT CAPA) on 9601 3999 for more details.

Background Artwork by Steven Otakilevuka, Year 12 Visual Arts.



Woolworths Earn & Learn 2017

Dear Parents,

Woolworths Earn & Learn 2017

This year we will be participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. Through this program we will be able to get new educational resources for our school/early learning centre – and all we need you to do is shop for your groceries at Woolworths.

From Wednesday 26th July to Tuesday 19th September, we are collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers. You will get one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every \$10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco and gift cards). Place the Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet and when it's complete, the Sticker Sheet can be dropped into the Collection Box here at the school or at your local Woolworths.

At the end of the promotion, we'll be able to get some great new equipment. The range is extensive and offers lots of items ideal for our students – including resources for Maths, English, Science and some fantastic fun supplies for Arts & Craft, Sport and for our library. If you'd like to know more visit woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn.

Mobile Community Pantry



Low cost groceries to stretch your budget further

The Mobile Community Pantry is a community-based initiative providing groceries at a very low cost.

How it works



Bring along your Pension or Health Care or Immigration Card

\$10

Make a \$10 contribution



Fill a bag with groceries of your choice from the stock available.

Where

Riverside Anglican Church
79 Nuwarra Rd
Moorebank 2170

Time

10.30am – 11.30am

When

Every second Tuesday

Dates for 2017:

Aug	1, 15, 29
Sept	12, 26
Oct	10, 24
Nov	7, 21
Dec	5, 19



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