

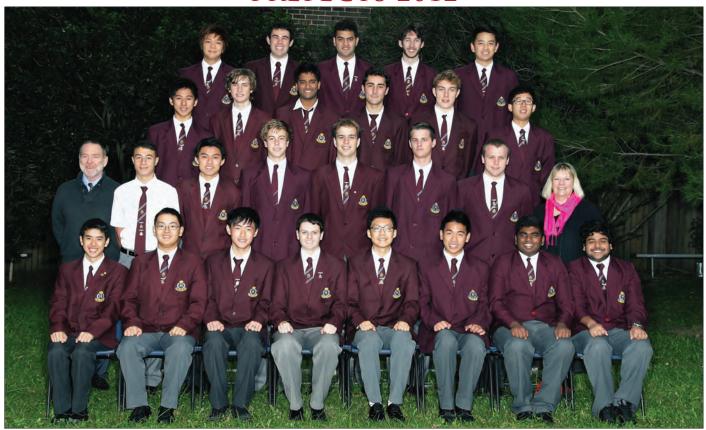


HOMEBUSH BOYS HIGH SCHOOL 2012



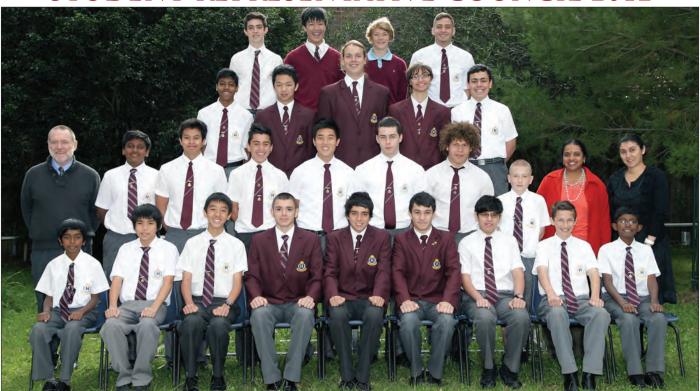
The Homebush Boys High School Magazine was published at the school, with contributions from many teachers and students. I would like to thank everyone who played a part in making it possible to publish such an important archival document. It is hoped that students and staff alike will refer to the pages of this magazine in the future and remember the school fondly. It is often said that school days are the best days of our lives. Ex-students often return to Homebush Boys and attest to the truth of this statement. They express gratitude for the kindness and dedication of staff and the opportunities the school provided. We are proud of our diverse and harmonious student body-current and past. This magazine documents but a few examples of their many achievements. (Kerry Meucci : Editor and Desktop Publisher)

PREFECTS 2012



Front Row: Daniel PARKEE, Frank DAY, Andrew ZHANG, Phillip SIOMOS, Aaron PARK, Johnny CHEN, Nirosan Jude JOHNPETER, Saratchandra PANANGIPALLI Second Row:Mr Jurd, Hassan KOUSSAN, Yifu Richard LI, Jack CODD-MILLER, Lachlan FOSTER, Cameron KOPECNY, Scott BUNCH, Ms Horiatopoulos Third Row: William TRAN, Daniel COLLIS, Keshav BHRUGUBANDA, Mikail OZDEMIR, Aleksandr WYNNE, Jason SUNG Fourth Row: Rio Joon KANG, Timothy MITRY, Raghav SAREEN, Thomas GOTH-TOWNEY, Clinton CHEUNG

TATIVE COUNCIL 2012



Front Row: Pirannavan KUMARALINGHAM, Hassan KHADEMI, Adam YOON, Bassel RANA, Yacob HILL, Abdul ALKADMANI, Soham KEMBHAVI, Luke MANS-FIELD, Jathusanan YOGESAN

Second Row: Mr Jurd, Ananth KUMARALINGAM, Anthony Loc PHAN, Ayman HILL, Dylan KANG, Mitchell BOYD, Perrin TASKER, Seraphim CHERNIAKOFF, Ms Kumaralingam, Mrs Altundag

Third Row: Dylan WIJESEKERA, Kurstan HU, Scott WORTHINGTON, Joel PERIK, Panayioti CONSTANTI

Fourth Row: Austin HEESH, Elton CHENG, Liam HERON, Mouhammad EL-HELOU

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT



2012 has been a continued year of success and growth at Homebush. It is comforting to be at such a great school where change does not diminish the warm, community feeling. Our school prides itself on its multicultural credentials. The recent ESL survey found 84.1% of the student population came from language backgrounds other than English (LBOTE). We value our diversity and celebrate our range of cultures. For

example, we celebrated NAIDOC week with some excellent performances organised by Mr Peter Wilson. On Friday 27 July the students of Islamic faith celebrated the Holy Month of Ramadan by organising a spectacular Iftar feast for the school.

During the year staff retirements included Ms Sophie Tsouloukidis (History), Ms Christine Rizos, Mr Alan Doolan (Mathematics) and Mrs Kate Gabor (LOTE)). Other staff chose to transfer closer to home and they included Mr Kevin Khalili (Science) and Ms Cath McIntyre (Social Science). Ms Carol McKinnon (library assistant) has retired and she was a valued member of the Library team. The school wishes all well in retirement and careers.

Our new teacher librarian is Ms Pamela Vine. Ms Vine is also Head Teacher Administration and has previously been at Macarthur Girls. She has exciting plans to transform the library and increase the resources for our students.

The school's Learning Support Team has been joined by new school counsellor, Ms Linda Gilford. Linda works with existing counsellors, Ms Gina Sorensen and Ms Kalle Egan. In addition, under new Learning and Support arrangements, the school was fortunate to have Ms Merrill Sells join our team as an additional Learning and Support teacher. Ms Sells and Ms Edwards are our 2 LAS teachers addressing the complex requirements of our students with additional learning needs.

In English and History, we have been joined by Ms Effie Bonis, Ms Emily Yong and Ms Lidia Budanovic. Ms Bonis transferred from South Sydney High, Ms Emily Yong is a new appointment and Ms Budanovic was formerly at Northmead High.

In Science we welcome Ms Neelam Goundar, a new appointment, and Ms Jennii Lee. Ms Jennii Lee was formerly at Fairfield High School.

The changes in Hospitality are significant. Recently Ms Nadine Koff, accepted a transfer to Epping Boys High School to be closer to home. The school felt a great loss as Ms Koff was not only a remarkable Hospitality and TAS teacher, she was also our VET coordinator and the school report's coordinator. However, we are very fortunate to welcome her replacement, Mr Gerard Saber, a trained chef, who will share his considerable expertise with our students in this growing area of the curriculum. Mr Saber comes on transfer from Belmore Boys High School. Also the school has a new hospitality teacher and VET coordinator, Ms Amy Greenshields, from Asquith Boys High. The teachers were joined by another chef, Mr Gerard Reardon, as kitchen support.

In Social Science, Mr Syarief Achmad and Mr Adrian Pisani are now permanent and they have been joined by Ms Phirum Duch who transferred from Chester Hill High School. In PDHPE we welcome Ms Sharon Cuneen from Bass High and long time temporary teacher Mr Daniel Carrozza, is now permanent. He joins his father, Mr Gaspare Carrozza Head of Maths, on staff showing what a great family the Homebush staff is.

In Maths we have Ms Ekaterina Crosby. Ms Cosby transferred from Casula High School.

In LOTE Ms Kyung-Ae Yu has introduced the teaching of Korean language and this language is a growth area of our curriculum.

The community of Homebush relies very heavily on the support of our parents. The 2012 Parents and Citizens (P&C) team led by President Simone Burton, Vice Presidents Nick Miller and Simon Ford, Secretary Fiona Murray, Treasurer Anita Kumar and Fundraising Coordinator Cheryl Miller. This team works with the School Council, President Simon Ford, Nicole Zabbal, Kim Houlias and Catherine Lea. This extraordinarily talented and hard working group of parents are the 'life blood' of this school. Their fund raising team led by Cheryl Miller and Linda Tarasenko organised a Trivia night, raffles, barefoot bowling and a special contribution letter.

The school benefits greatly from the magnificent support of our involved and articulate parent partners. The P&C is a great contributor to school programs, especially the Instrumental Music program (IMP), by donating funds to the school to ensure a high quality and diverse curriculum is maintained. On Friday 19 October, P&C Treasurer, Ms Anita Kumar, handed me a cheque for \$18 000 for school programs. This is a wonderful assistance for the boys.

Thanks to all the parents and students who gave up their weekends to beautify the senior lawn on our working bee weekends. The P&C organised gardening bees which saw 25 parents and 30 students don their gloves and dig, weed, mulch and prune the gardens abound the senior lawn. The day culminated in a barbecue with all the food donated. It was a great day for the school with the student leaders sharing what was very hard but very rewarding work.

The demand for technology access is huge. We have been fortunate to have wonderful new Interactive Whiteboards (IWBs) installed in all permanent classrooms bringing students and staff access to best practice learning materials. The Digital Education Revolution laptop rollout gave year 9 a personal learning device but this program may cease in 2013 with a rollout of laptops to the current year 8. We await announcements about the future of this popular and successful program.

Our student volunteering coordinator, Ms Gyan Sahay and I were present when Year 11 students, Leonardo Pane and Edwin Guo, were presented with the Black Opal Certificate, which is the highest award possible in the Premier's Student Volunteering. Ms Sahay is the school coordinator of this program and is pleased with the way Homebush students have embraced the opportunity to have their volunteering recognised. Edwin and Leonardo are both members of the St Johns Ambulance and both are highly trained first aiders.

On volunteering, more than 200 Homebush students gave up their Sunday in May, to don their uniforms and doorknock for the Salvation Army. This is an exceptional effort from an amazing group of young men. Their thoughtfulness helped many hundreds of families survive the harsh conditions last winter.

As in previous years, Homebush recognised the significance of Anzac Day with moving ceremonies. At school, the Drum Corps saluted the fallen and former student, Peter Brimfield, gave up his time to play the Last Post and Reveille on his trumpet. Peter was in last year's Higher School Certificate class and is a virtuoso trumpet player.

In the community, Homebush Prefects Scott Bunch, Brian Griffin-Colls and Jack Codd-Miller laid a wreath on the Memorial at Davey Square in Strathfield in April to commemorate the fallen. Scott led the ceremony with a moving prayer. Later on that Sunday the Homebush Drum Corps and student leaders, Captain Phillip Siomos, Vice Captain Ali El Kheir and Senior Prefect Tim Mitry, proudly marched down Burwood Road, Burwood and laid a wreath at the Memorial in Burwood Park. On ANZAC Day the Drum Corps marched in the ANZAC day march and they were given a very special mention on the ABC television coverage.

Our student leaders demonstrated their social conscience when the prefects led an initiative to raise funds for the Ugandan Kawempe Homecare School for students who are victims of the scourge of HIV in Africa. Led by Phillip Siomos and Lachlan Foster they raised over \$1500. This will sponsor 6 students' school fees at the Ugandan school. This initiative was ably coordinated by Ms Cath McIntyre of the Social Science staff.

Congratulations to Aydin Cochrane of year 11 who has starred in an official DVD made by the DEC on Post School options for Aboriginal students. Aydin was highlighted for his VET frameworks which include Hospitality, Construction and Sport Fitness and Recreation. The DVD is called "Pathways to Real Post-School Options" and will be used to enhance curriculum choice in vocational education.

2012 saw the introduction of the Record of School Achievement (ROSA) to year 10 as the replacement for the School Certificate. This is a much more comprehensive assessment of student achievement involving more school based assessments and a recognition of extra-curricular achievements e.g. volunteering.

The goal of becoming a broader community of learning moved much closer when staff professional learning joined with our local schools to achieve better outcomes for our students. The Strathfield School Education Group high schools organised a joint school development day which successfully addressed quality assessment and feedback. Our staff always works diligently, but the school development day on July 16 was quite unique in that our school joined with 6 other high schools to conduct professional learning for over 400 teachers. We needed a big venue for this crowd and we were fortunate that the conference facilities at ANZ Stadium were available. It was an excellent experience with staff from Strathfield Girls, Strathfield South, Belmore Boys, Wiley Park Girls, Concord, Punchbowl Boys and Homebush all working on best practice in Quality Assessment and Feedback. The Principals from all schools hope to repeat the event each year.

The Centre for Excellence Community of Schools brought hub school Homebush West Public together with Newington Public, Strathfield South Public, Strathfield Girls High and Homebush Boys High to develop teacher quality and literacy. This impressive network has been recognised by the Regional Director Murat Dizdar, for an excellence award at the Director's choice awards at the State Sports Centre at Olympic Park.

During 2012 the curriculum team announced there will be a

new curriculum structure for the school in 2013. The current 8 period day (37 minute periods) will be replaced with a 5 period day (58 minute periods). This change will mean less movement, fewer bells to startle us and fewer books to burden us.

Notably, our 2012 regional ambassador is Bassel Rana of year 10. Bassel has represented the school with distinction and a busy schedule took him to many leadership events. Bassel is also an elite athlete. He excels as a member of the Australian Weightlifting Federation's Youth Development Squad. This year Bassel has competed and trained in Samoa and Canberra, as well as travelling to Slovakia and New Zealand to compete. The school is very proud of Bassel and he is a worthy ambassador for public education.

At the conclusion of term 3, the school farewelled year 12 with a huge assembly at which the band performed the National Anthem, with Rio Kang leading the singing. Along with speeches from the outgoing school captain Phillip Siomos, the vice-captain Ali El-Kheir and senior prefect Tim Mitry. Their speeches were responded to by the incoming captain Scott Worthington, vice-captain Perrin Tasker and senior prefect Nayan Bhathela. One of the highlights of the morning assembly was the opening march by the Drum Corps which led the entire year 12 into the Fig Tree quadrangle and at the conclusion led them back to the Northern Quad. The many parents who came to the assembly said that this was an impressive and emotional way to start and finish this part of the celebration.

Year 12 and parents then went to the assembly hall for the official graduation ceremony. The school awarded each student in the grade their graduation package and celebrated the prize winners in academic, sporting and co-curricular areas of the school. Again the student leaders Phillip, Ali and Tim gave moving speeches celebrating their time at school and thanking the staff for their efforts to help the graduates. The highlight of the ceremony came when the prestigious "1st in Form" was announced. This year there were two ties. Equal 3rd place went to Lachlan Foster and Brendan Trinh with equal 1st to Phillip Siomos and Derek Wong. We know that these fine young scholars will do extremely well in the HSC and ATAR.

The final phase in the graduation culminated in a beautiful lunch for year 12, their parents and their staff. This was a wonderful gathering by a cohesive community. The extraordinary lunch was catered for by the Hospitality staff and students. We were overwhelmed by the success of the day with the outdoor activities complemented by the beautiful spring weather. These events do not happen without a great deal of work and Deputies Caitlin Dwyer and Kamie Khurshed worked tirelessly to make the day a success for the students and the parents.

Regarding the HSC, I must make special mention of all those creative students who prepared major works and performances for external marking. Congratulations to all those students in Extension English, Extension History, Visual Arts, Music, Industrial Technology (Timber), and Drama. Congratulations must also go to the staff who prepared the students so thoroughly. All these staff maintained a full load of classes and marking during this busy and demanding period.

Year 7 and 9 students received their NAPLAN literacy and Numeracy assessments in the final week of term 3. Although the NAPLAN is only a "snapshot" of how our students are progressing, it adds to the bank of knowledge we have on our students and we use the data to refine our teaching programs

and develop learning plans for students. This analysis is led by the Literacy and Numeracy team and the Learning Support team. One of the most important measures is "Average School Growth" and this measure is very pleasing.

The figures below show that our year 9 students were top of our School Education Group I 'Growth". The lines show that Homebush Boys achieved growth in reading scores above the rest of the state. The table below shows how well our students have "grown" in their reading and literacy.

Percentage of students achieving greater than or equal to expected growth:

	YEAR 7		YEAR 9
Reading 50.3%		67.6%	
Numerac y	68.5%		82.5%

Quite clearly our priorities will continue to address Reading and Writing capabilities whilst maintaining and strengthening the numeracy capacity. Our NAPLAN results show our learning programs support the needs of our students, most of whom come from a non-English speaking background. Numeracy is an area of strength which continues to be reinforced.

Finally we look forward to our students' HSC results in December. Many have already achieved excellence such as Daniel Collis recipient of the 'Long Tan Leadership Award'. In addition some students did very well in the UMAT test like Frank Day and Manovarman Selvanathan who achieved magnificent results. This test is developed by the Australian Council for Educational Research (ACER) on behalf of the UMAT Consortium universities. The test is used specifically to assist with the selection of students into the medicine, dentistry and health science degree programs at undergraduate level at the universities. We wish our students well.

2012 has seen the new Instrumental Music Program or IMP expand. This year we have a highly acclaimed band, tutorial groups, ensembles and a choir. The IMP is led by Ms Tracy Burjan (conductor) and Mr Andrew Smith (music teacher). Mr lan Albertson led the Band Camp in March and this program is continuing in 2013.

At the "welcome' year 7 parent teacher night we saw the Homebush band perform. This was an introduction to the IMP. On this night the band was superb. Tracy introduced the tutors and she also accompanied the band leader, Daniel Parkee, an extremely talented violinist from year 12, in an outstanding performance. The impromptu performance by choir tutor, Angel Tupai, of Schools Spectacular fame, was superb. As a finale, there was a show stopping performance by our Choir Captain, Rio Kang, also year 12.

Throughout the year, the Orchestra gained strength, confidence and experience as they demonstrated on CAPA Performance Night on Wednesday 27 June. I was pleased to hear such a wide variety of extremely pleasing performances from all the IMP ensembles including percussion, guitar and choir. The evening was a great success surrounded by beautiful works of art. I thank Mr Kim Attwood for organising the Performance Night ably assisted by Ms Juska, Mr Letsios and Ms Adams.

Tracy Burjan was honoured when her composition, Elvenwood, was featured in the Opera House series of concerts, Festival of Instrumental Music. One of our youngest musicians, Jordan

Mallia of Year 7 played electric base with over 1000 musicians in a mass orchestra. He was chosen to play bass guitar in the Festival of Instrumental Music Concerts (Acacia, Banksia, Jacaranda and Mimosa) at the Opera House. This is a fabulous honour and well deserved for this exceptional young musician. Also playing with the Public School Symphony Orchestra was our leader, Daniel Parkee (year 12). The school orchestra featured in a combined local orchestra to perform Elvenwood for the Director's Choice concert. Our school played with Concord West and Homebush West with Tracy Burjan as conductor. It is an exciting time for music at Homebush.

But our musicians don't only play classical pieces. Nat Lea (Yr 10), Chris Maybury (Yr 11) and Jordan Mallia (yr 7) played at the Concord West Fair and they were a big hit with their Greenday number. They were supported by the P&C's IMP parent representative, Mr Jeff Mallia.

The IMP continues to grow. Our orchestra is currently rehearsing for the Director's Choice 2012, a regional celebration of student, staff and community achievements, on Thursday 8 November at Sydney Olympic Park Sports Centre. This is also a celebration of the "1st" birthday of the IMP under the leadership of Ms Tracy Burjan, the inspirational director of the IMP.

Let me thank the whole school community for making 2012 another great year for Homebush Boys High. I am fortunate to be part of a dynamic and talented staff. I especially want to thank my Deputies, Caitlin Dwyer and Kamie Khurshed, who have the intellect, imagination and energy to ensure that the school is a safe and successful place to learn and work.

SCHOOL STRING ENSEMBLE



Front Row: Sihyong KIM, Daniel PARKEE, Daniel KYONG CHO Second Row: Mr Jurd, Po Shen WANG, Elton CHENG, Ban Suk Paul KIM

DP TEACHING AND LEARNING MS DWYER



I am consistently impressed by our school community, and our ability to offer so many opportunities to so many – summarising the entire year's highlights in one page is a daunting challenge!

Our students

Getting to know our new Year 7s is always enlightening. Orientation camp is a rough and ready way to be introduced to each other – it provides a wealth

of memories that form the basis of friendships that will last throughout their high school years, and in many cases, beyond.

Being a part of our Year 7s' maturation throughout the course of the year is a rewarding experience. Joining in on their conversations at the bus stop is always entertaining (common topics – homework, Justin Bieber, sport, atheism)!

Our students are expert at celebrating special occasions - Harmony Day, Multicultural Day, White Ribbon Day, World Teachers' Day, Pink Ribbon Day, Induction Day, Orientation Day, English Week/s, Science Week/s, Austalian Business Week... Many of our boys put in extra effort to help us celebrate the Homebush way – our Drum Corps, our band, our hospitality students (the principals raved about the salmon at the conference we hosted in November). We are certainly fortunate to be able to draw on such an impressive depth of talent in so many areas.

Our parents

Supporting all this activity are our parents. Participation in our 'formal' events (parent / teacher nights, performances, graduation assembly, NAPLAN meetings, Trivia Night) is always high. Just as pleasing, is the willingness of our parents to be involved in the day to day routines of school life – asking sons about their day, checking homework, helping with assignments! Our P&C and School Council are such enthusiastic supporters of our school and public education in general. We've had some very vibrant discussions over the course of the year. And who would have thought gardening could be such fun? Our working bees have put the achievements of 'Backyard Blitz' to shame! See the revamped Senior Lawn for evidence!

Our staff

The opportunity of walking around the school during class time, popping in to various class rooms, is a highlight of the deputies' role. There's such a variety of activities on offer and with the increase in interactive whiteboards, lots of colour and movement on display. It is the essential elements, however, which are evident – high expectations at all times.

Our teachers have been immersed in their own learning this year – growing familiarity with the impending Australian Curriculum and a heavy focus on refining assessment, emphasising the needs of students from language backgrounds other than English. We've continued to build our connections with

primary schools and high schools in our area, sharing our resources and knowledge on our School Development Days. It is a real joy to work with such professionals in such a warm environment.

The culmination ...

I feel that our sense of community was epitomised at our Year 12 Farewell – the wonderful whole school assembly with our rousing Drum Corps and the formal graduation assembly with such sincere speeches, culminating in students, their families and staff sharing lunch on the Senior Lawn. The genuine nature of the interactions and the joy at these young men's achievement was palpable.

Another wonderful year at Homebush Boys ...



Teachers from Singapore visit the school.



Ms Dwyer and Ms Willis with Nicholas Ngo and Jake Harley - Pyramid TV show Champions!



'Say no to violence against women' White Ribbon Day helpers.

DP CURRICULUM AND WELFARE MR KHURSHED



2012 at Homebush Boys High School has been an exciting and challenging year. Our school exudes a vibrant culture. There is always something going on. It is this that keeps Homebush Boys High School buzzing with engagement and learning for both staff and students.

There have been a myriad of outstanding achievements at HBHS in 2012. This has been due to the

range of opportunities available to students, to the commitment of the teaching staff and to the support given by the school community in general. The ethos of HBHS encapsulates this.

The ethos of our school is to encourage each boy to be positively engaged in learning and in all aspects of school life. Our boys are motivated to give their personal best and we aim to develop them into valued members and contributors of the broader community. This is witnessed in classrooms daily in all subject areas. It is also evident in the promotion of the creative arts and industrial arts where boys are encouraged to create excellence as evidenced in our Creative Arts Evening.

This year follows the tradition of HBHS achieving exceptional standards in sport with many teams having successful seasons. Individually we had high representation with Jonah Bolden (NSW Basketball) and Angus Armstrong (Australian 15 years Pole Vault champion). Our Open Basketball and 15 years Water Polo teams made the State final series. Many boys achieved excellence beyond the school gate- in areas such as weightlifting and martial arts.

The young men at HBHS are ever willing to take up challenges, to be upright and strong in their endeavours. The ethos of HBHS is also exhibited by the value placed on community service. This tradition has continued in 2012 with numerous charities being supported such as Red Cross, with over 250



students participating, White Ribbon Day and many others. Community spirit is emphasised by celebration of diversity and difference through Multicultural activities, the Anti-Bullying review and the range of community users who partake of our facilities. The Breakfast Club has been a wonderful initiative of the Volunteering Group. Our community is best exemplified through our amazing P & C. They have been a tireless group who have always supported the learning of our boys and teachers. This has been achieved by collaborating in decision making processes, working bees and assistance at big events such as the Year 12 Graduation Day and Year 6-7 Transition Orientation days. It is a blessing to have such a dedicated group of parents who even send cards to staff in recognition of their commitment!

2012 has been exciting as I have had the opportunity to work with an outstanding teaching staff and office team. Staff at HBHS put the boys first. Many staff spend endless hours in assisting, facilitating, guiding and mentoring boys especially those in need. Many staff sacrifice holiday time to conduct extra classes and lessons. Such commitment does not go unnoticed and I thank them sincerely for their efforts. It is also pleasing to be involved in the sharing of dialogue amongst staff in relation to pedagogy and ways to enhance learning to cater for the needs of all boys.

Thank you to our wonderful administration and teaching staff for your contribution and support in 2012. I have had the opportunity to work closely with the invaluable leadership provided by the executive team. They continue to inspire with their passion and dedication to boys' education. I have been fortunate to have two wonderful colleagues: Timothy Jurd, Principal and Caitlin Dwyer, Deputy Principal. Tim is a compassionate and knowledgeable educator who embraces the challenges of day to day life at HBHS with respect and dignity. Tim continues to be visionary in his promotion of teaching and learning at our school. Caitlin is a mine of information and simply "gets the job done" no matter what. She devotes many hours in organising and initiating new ideas and assisting staff and students in these processes. 2013 will be just as exciting. Homebush Boys High School will embrace the challenges of the future, particularly the National Curriculum, and I am looking forward to the Welfare Team incorporating new structures and initiatives to support the boys.

May I take this opportunity to thank the Homebush Boys High School community for their ongoing commitment and collaboration in all aspects of school life in 2012.



SRC and Prefects with the NSW Governor at the 70th anniversary of the Battle of the Coral Sea.

PRESENTATION EVENING

SYDNEY ADVENTIST COLLEGE HALL 17 TH DECEMBER 2012

FACULTY AWARDS YEARS 7-11

ENGLISH

Yr 7	First in English	Benjamin Nguyen
	Second in English	Yusuf Ali
	Equal Third in English	Wilfred Knight
Yr 8	First in English	Adam Yoon
	Second in English	Khan Milligen
	Third in English	Ananth Kumaralingam
Yr 9	First in English	Panayioti Constanti
	Second in English	Igor Gainulin
	Third in English	Hyungbin Ju
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	First in Drama Elective	Yunus Isik
	Second in Drama Elective	Ethan Wright
	Third in Drama Elective	Jawad Essaghir
V:: 10	First in Franklich	Devil Heleseler
Yr 10	First in English	Paul Habashy
	Second in English	Bassel Rana
	Third in English	Mashrur A Shan
	First in Drama	Frankie Francis
	Second in Drama	Arvind Abraham Jacob
	Third in Drama	Chun Chan
	First in Aboriginal Studies	Qi Yi
	Second in Aboriginal Studies	Bruce (Si Wai) Sham
	Third in Aboriginal Studies	Hamed Bamba
Yr 11	First in Standard English	Steven Luo
	Second in Standard English	Trae Chamma
	Third in Standard English	Anthony Lui
	First in Drama	Cameron Murray
	Second in Drama	Alexei Feofiloff
	Third in Drama	Scott Worthington
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	First in ESL English	Rouein Momen
	Second in ESL English	Hardikumar Patel
	Third in ESL English	Guanghan Ryan Zhang
	First in Extension 1 English	Scott Worthington
	Second in Extension 1 English	Nayan Bhathela
	Third in Extension 1 English	Harshandeep Singh
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	First in Advanced English	Nayan Bhathela
	Second in Advanced English	Adrian Talevski
	Third in Advanced English	Perrin Tasker
	First in English Studies	Beauden Hellyer
	Second in English Studies	Robert Lopes
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Yr 7	First in History	Nicholas Ngo
	Second in History	Yusuf Ali
	Third in History	Denis Mulya
Yr 8	First in History	Dominic Yates
	Second in History	Emmanuel Vardakis
	Third in History	Jun Ming Eric Deng
Yr 9	First in History	Daniel Yuan
	Second in History	Allan Lai
	Third in History	Adam Saker
Yr 10	First in History	Rafid Sarker
	Second in History	Henry Prentice
	Equal Third in History	Mashrur A Shan
		Ashwin George
		Gobickishan Parthibhan

HISTORY CONTINUED

Yr 11	First in Modern History	Gary Le
	Second in Modern History	Leandros Pandoulis
	Third in Modern History	Kevin Yin
	First in Ancient History	Dean Bardas
	Second in Ancient History	Nayan Bhathela
	Third in Ancient History	Charlie Brian
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CAPA

Yr 7	First in Visual Arts	Mohammed Elakhras
	Second in Visual Arts	Aziz Can John Bilsel
	Third in Visual Arts	Jongguk Daniel Choi
	First in Music	Hah Nuel Skye Lim
	Second in Music	Dylan Kennerson
	Third in Music	Justin Tripic
Yr 8	First in Music	Vincent Kuo
	First in Visual Arts	Christopher Standard
Yr 9	First in Music	James Fu
	Second in Music	Soham Kembhavi
	Third in Music	Jonathan Wong See
	First in Photo, Digital Media	Adam Saker
	Second in Photo, Digital Media	Andy Lu
	Third in Photo, Digital Media	Raghav Rampal
	First in Visual Arts	Hyungbin Ju
	Second in Visual Arts	Joshua Shanthikumar
	Third in Visual Arts	Yunus Emre Ozdemir
Yr 10	First in Music	Cameron Shir-King
	Second in Music	Po Shen Wang
	Third in Music	Adithya Sriram
	First in Photo Digital Media	James Kongoulos
	Second in Photo Digital Media	Chun Chan
	Third in Photo Digital Media	Michael Cherniakoff
	Equal First in Visual Arts	Michael Cherniakoff
		Francis Shin
		Andrew Simpson
Year 11	First in Music 1	Alex Ho Hin Lo
	Equal Second in Music 1	Christopher Maybury
		Michael Papallo
	First in Visual Arts	Kevin Yin
	Second in Visual Arts	Michael Xu
	Third in Visual Arts	Anthony Phan
	First in 1 Unit Photography, Video & Digital	Nirushian Parthibhan
	Second in 1 Unit Photography,	Scott Worthington
	Video & Digital	Scott Worthington
	Third in 1 Unit Photography,	Gagan Jalendhra
	Video & Digital	- Cagair Jaichaina

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Yr 7	First in Geography	Wilfred Knight
		Anthony De Pasquale
	Second in Geography	Nicholas Ngo
	Third in Geography	Faisal Khan
		Sihyong Jake Kim
		Pradyumna Vedantam
Yr 8	First in Geography	Emmanuel Vardakis
	Second in Geography	Pak On William Chan
	Equal Third in Geography	Kevin Kadamani
		Johnny Qian
Yr 9	First in Geography	Jason Mulya
	Second in Geography	Mohamed Abdalla
	Equal Third in Geography	Hamed Gaznawi
		Panayioti Constanti
	Equal First in Commerce	Srinivas Byreddy
		Joshua Shanthikumar
	Second in Commerce	Vipullan Puvanendran
	Equal Third in Commerce	Akhilesh Dhanekular
		Salmaan Siddiqui
		Anusan Ravichchandran
Yr 10	First in Geography	Mashrur A Shan
	Second in Geography	Henry Prentice
	Third in Geography	Abishek Goyal
	First in Commerce	Sahil Bhandula
	Second in Commerce	Mashrur A Shan
	Third in Commerce	Rafid Sarker
Yr 11	First in Business Studies	Vindesh Nadan
	Second in Business Studies	Matthew Yu
	Third in Business Studies	Quentin Yeung & Ameen
		Ramadan - Jradi
		Martin Stepho
	First in Economics	Dean Bardas
	Second in Economics	Vindesh Nadan
	Third in Economics	Fang Da Jerry Miao
	First in Legal Studies	Dean Bardas
	Second in Legal Studies	Gary Le
	Third in Legal Studies	Henry Tran
	First in Studies of Religion 1	Ibraham Al-Atyyia & Dylan Kang
	Second in Studies of Religion 1	Zaheer Imaan Ebrahim
	First in Studies of Religion 2	Perrin Tasker
	Second in Studies of Religion 2	Christopher Wale
	Third in Studies of Religion 2	Abishek Naidu
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LOTE

Yr 7	Equal First in languages Equal Third in Languages	Nicholas Burns David Chen Jeff Chen Sihyong Kim Nicholas Ngo Jun Taek Oh
Yr 8	First in Italian Second in Italian Third in Italian Equal First in French	Oscar Verrelli Dominic Yates Hugh Black Arun Theagarajan Ty Choe Emmanuel Vardakis
	Equal First in Chinese	Tony Mei Justin Trinh Yifei Phillip Zhao
Yr 9	1st in Korean 2nd in Korean & Korean Education Directors Award for Outstanding Accomplishment in Korean Language Study 3rd in Korean Choon Pa Korean Language Scholarship Award for Outstanding Work in Korean Language Study	Son Shin YONG Edmond Sung Bin KIM Yeunsu KIM Seungyo (Sam) Yeom

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	1st in Chinese	Bain Zhang		
	2nd in Chinese	Jiazheng Cao		
	3rd in Chinese	John Chuanming Xia		
	1st in Italian	Adam Hodgess		
	2nd in Italian	William Phan		
	Equal 3rd in Italian	Justin Bombaci		
		Nathan Lin		
Yr 10	Equal First in Italian	Angus Armstrong		
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	Equal Third in Italian	Aaron Coughran& Nicholas Everitt & Gobickishan		
		Parthibhan		
Year 11	First in Italian (Beginner)	Kyo Ho Lee		
	First in Italian (Continuers)	Burney Yin Ho Wong		
	Second in Italian (Continuers)	James Ford		
	Third in Italian (Continuers)	Rowan Castro		
	First in Chinese Background Speakers	Jie Yang		
	Second in Chinese Background	Yupuchan Du		
	Speakers	Tapachan Ba		
	Third in Chinese Background	Cheng Huang		
	Speakers			
	First in in Chinese Background	Mark Shen		
	Speakers (Life Skills)			
	First in Korean Background	Dong Hyun Lee		
	Speakers			
	Second in Korean Background Speakers	II Tae Park		
	Third in Korean Background	Min Suk Yang		
	Speakers	in sak rang		
	Korean Education Directors	Sung Woo Kim		
	Award for Outstanding Accom-	II Tae Park		
	plishment in Korean Language			
	Study			

MATHEMATICS

Yr 7	Equal First in Mathematics	Sihyong Jake Kim Benjamin Nguyen
	Third in Mathematics	Nicholas Ngo
Yr 8	Equal First in Mathematics	Emmanuel Vardakis Jathusan Yogesan
	Equal Third in Mathematics	Ty Choe
		Jun Ming Eric Deng Harri Jani
Yr 9	First in Stage 5.3 Mathematics Second in Stage 5.3 Mathematics Equal Third in Stage 5.3 Math- ematics	Sungbin Edmond Kim Tianshu Bai William Phan
	First in Stage 5.2 Mathematics	Adrian Kok Tang
	Second in Stage 5.2 Mathematics	Sing Ho Chan
	Equal Third in Stage 5.2 Math- ematics	Calvin Cheng Simon Monro
	First in Stage 5.1 Mathematics	Albert Joshua
	Second in Stage 5.1 Mathematics Third in Stage 5.1 Mathematics	Phuhong Zhao Shorya Nayyer
Yr 10	First in Stage 5.3 Mathematics	Paul Habashy
	Second in Stage 5.3 Mathematics Equal Third in Stage 5.3 Mathematics	Adithya Sriram Rafid Sarker
	Equal Tillia III Stage 3.3 Mathematics	Mashrur A Shan
	First in Stage 5.2 Mathematics	Jathurson Subachandran
	Second in Stage 5.2 Mathematics Third in Stage 5.2 Mathematics	Phillip Raneri Emre Boz
	First Stage 5.1 Mathematics	Galamsol Kang
	Second in Stage5.1 Mathematics	Jason Kim
	Third in Stage 5.1 Mathematics	Karan Dogra Durson Durkaya
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Yr 11	First in General Mathematics Second in General Mathematics Third in General Mathematics	Michael Papallo James Burton Declan Lindsay
	First in Mathematics 2 unit Second in Mathematics 2 unit Third in Mathematics 2 unit	Kevin Yin Onur Faydaver Zakaria Bardouh
	First in Mathematics Extension 1 Second in Mathematics Extension 1 Third in in Mathematics Extension 1	Harsharndeep Singh Cheung Huang Dylan Kang

SCIENCE

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First in Science Second in Science Equal Third in Science	Yusuf ALI Nicholas NGO Benjamin NYUGEN Pratik KULKARNI
First in Science Equal Second in Science	Jathusan Yogesan Pak On William Chan Emmanuel Vardakis Adam Yoon
First in Science Second in Science Third in Science	Panayioti Constanti Vipullan Puvanendran Shankaran Kiritharan
First in Science Equal Second in Science	Paul Habashy William Nguyen Rafid Sarker Fawaz Mahfouz
First in Biology Second in Biology Third in Biology	Nayan Bhathela Nirushan Parthibhan Charlie Brian
First in Chemistry Equal Second in Chemistry Equal Third in Chemistry	Rouein Momen Dylan Kang Martin Stepho Nirushian Parthibhan Ahmed Mahmood
Second in Physics Equal Third in Physics First in Earth and Environmental Science Second in Earth and Environmental Science	Harsharndeep Singh Kiieran Sritharan Richy Thuruthiyil & Yuhao Wu Perrin Tasker Alex Ho Hin Lo Jun Xin Kha
	First in Science Second in Science Equal Third in Science Equal Second in Science First in Science Second in Science Third in Science Third in Science First in Science First in Science Equal Second in Science First in Science Equal Second in Science First in Biology Second in Biology Third in Biology First in Chemistry Equal Second in Chemistry Equal Third in Chemistry First in Physics Second in Physics Second in Physics First in Earth and Environmental Science

COMPUTING STUDIES

Yr 9	First in Computing Studies	Panayioti Constanti
	Second in Computing Studies	Samuel Stoodley
	Equal Third in Computing Studies	Srinivas Byreddy
		Michael Lloyd
Yr 10	Equal First in Software Technology	Zubin Jacob
	,	Raymond Zhou
	Third in Software Tecnhology	Sultana Arfeen
Yr 11	First in Software Design & Development	Harsharndeep Singh
	Second in in Software Design & Development	Jordan Labonne
	Third in Software Design & Development	Sam Wu
	First in Info. Process & Technology	Hassan Faour
	Second in Info. Process & Technology	Edwin Guo
	Third in Info. Process & Technology	Jordan Labonne
	First in Information Technology VET	Andrew Chen
	Second in Information Technology VET	Jordan Labonne
	Third in Information Technology VET	Sai Ng
	Excellence in Computing	Edwin Guo & Ansaf Ahmed
	Excellence in Robotics	Edwin Guo & Ansaf Ahmed

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Yr 7	First in Technology Mandatory Course Second Third	Manikyanivas Sai Krishna Nicholas Knezevic Kabiram Vanesan Kathirkanth
Yr 8	Junior Craftsman Award	Pirannavan Kumaralingham
Yr 9	First in Graphics Technology Equal Second in Graphics Tech- nology	Aravinda Sundravel Patrick Dowling Jacob Efendi
	First in Industrial Technology (Electronics) Second in Industrial Technology (Electronics) Third in Industrial Technology (Electronics)	Jason Mulya Mohammad Talha Tariq Youngwoo Kevin Kim
	First in Industrial Technology (T) Second in Industrial Technology (T) Third in Industrial Technology (T)	Panayioti Constanti Patrick Dowling Hai Long David Sun
	First in Food Technology Second in Food Technology Third in Food Technology	Harry Choi Piratheepaan Thirunamam Harry Trieu
Yr 10	Equal First in Industrial Technology (Timber) Third in Industrial Technology (Timber) First in Food Technology Second in Food Technology Third in Food Technology	Paul Habashy Simon Levi Yildrim Sinmaz Sung Boh Stone Lawrence Trinh Yousef Iqbal
	First in Industrial Technology (Electronics) Second in Industrial Technology (Electronics) Third in Industrial Technology (Electronics)	Paul Habashy Fawaz Mahfouz Alexander Natale
	First in Graphics Technology Second in Graphics Technology Third in Graphics Technology	Peter Kim Geoffrey Woo Po Shen Wang
Yr 11	First in Hospitality Second in Hospitality Third in Hospitality	Justin Cheng Trae Chamma Matthew Yau
	First in I/T – Timber & Furniture Second in I/T – Timber & Furniture Third in I/T – Timber & Furniture	Christopher de Pasquale Cameron Parcell Ayman Hill
	First in Engineering Studies Second in Engineering Studies Third in Engineering Studies	Richy Thuruthiyil Edmond Dien Kallen Doong
	First in I/T – Multimedia Second in I/T – Multimedia Third in I/T - Multimedia	Jordan Labonne Hassan Faour Samed Agca

PD/H/PE

Yr 7	First in PD/H/PE	Anthony De Pasquale
'' /		Nicholas Burns
	Equal Second in PD/H/PE	
		Lachlann Maybury
Yr 8	First in DD/LL/DF	Man a Milliman
11.9	First in PD/H/PE	Khan Milligan
	Second in PD/H/PE	Emmanuel Vardakis
	Third in PD/H/PE	Zac Foster
Yr 9	First in Physical Activity & Sports	Mohamed Abdalla
	Studies	
	Second in Physical Activity &	Koheleti Vaitaiki
	Sports Studies	
	Third in Physical Activity & Sports Studies	Stefano Totidis
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	First in PD/H/PE	Daniel Lopes
	Second in PD/H/PE	Adam Saker
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	Third in PD/H/PE	Lewis Meucci-Bucknall

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Yr 10	First in Physical Activity & Sports Studies	Angus Armstrong
	Second in Physical Activity & Sports Studies	Dylan Fuller
	Equal third in Physical Activity &	Simon Levi
	Sports Studies	Cameron Holmes
	First in PD/H/PE	Jai Ivelja
	Second in PD/H/PE	Angus Armstrong
	Third in PD/H/PE	Aaron Coughran
Yr 11	First in Sport, Lifestyle & Recreation (1 Unit)	Niruban Sivendra
	Equal Second in Sport, Lifestyle &	Abobaker Sadiqi
	Recreation (1 Unit)	Anthony Lui
	Third in Sport, Lifestyle & Recreation (1 Unit)	Bavi Indrakumar
	First in PD/H/PE	Charlie Brian
	Second in PD/H/PE	Sergie Houhlias
	Third in PD/H/PE	Mahdy Taha

YEAR 7 AWARDS

100% Attendance	William Chiem	Aaron Lam-Nguyen
	Edwin Li	Ganeshan Manoharan
	Aabilan Ratnesv	varan
	Cary Sun	Jeromy Wong
	Ryan Wu	Jeremy Zeng
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Principal's Medal	Ganeshan Mano	oharan
	Nicholas Knezev	/ic
Academic Excellence	Nicholas Ngo	
Academic Excellence	Yusuf Ali	
Dux of Year 7	Benjamin Nguy	en

YEAR 8 AWARDS

Principal's Medal	Kevin Kadamani Jathusan Yogesan Pak On William Chan Harri Jani Karya Bremner
100% Attendance	Patrick Ho Anthony Wu
Academic Excellence	Adam Yoon Khan Milligan Ty Choe Pak On William Chan Jathusan Yogesan
Dux of Year 8	Emmanuel Vardakis

YEAR 9 AWARDS

100% Attendance	Heath Yan
Principal's Medal	Daniel Lopes Jason Mulya
First in Aboriginal Studies	Son Shin Yong
Second in Aboriginal Studies	Vishal Rajeshwara Rao
Third in Aboriginal Studies	Shorya Nayyer
Academic Excellence	Daniel Lopes
Academic Excellence	Jason Mulya
Dux of Year 9	Panayioti Constanti

YEAR 10 AWARDS

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100% Attendance	Arjunasingam Abayasingam
	Andy Chen
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Principal's	Kenneth Lui Jimmy Gao
Medals	Chun Chan Arvind Abraham-Jacob
Long Tan	Vincent Pike
Leadership	
Award	
Academic	Rafid Sarker
Excellence	
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Excellence	
Academic	Mashrur A Shan
Excellence	
The University of	Paul Habashy
Sydney	
Academic	
Excellence Award	
Dux of Year 10	Paul Habashy
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YEAR 11 AWARDS

Principal's Medal	Dylan Kang Nirushian Parthibhan
100% Attendance	Kai Tommy Ng Danny Shao Henry Tran Sam Wu Matthew Yau
Long Tan Leadership Award	Perrin Tasker
Academic Excellence	Jordan Labonne Nirushian Parthibhan
Equal Dux of Year 11	Harsharndeep Singh Nayan Bhathela





CO-CURRICULAR, CITIZENSHIP & SCHOOL SERVICE AWARDS

JUNIOR PUBLIC SPEAKING AWARD

Jayanth Kumaralingam William Chan

SENIOR PUBLIC SPEAKING AWARD

Scott Worthington Alexei Feofiloff

Bassel Rana

PREMIER'S STUDENT VOLUNTEERING AWARD

Vidhushan Paheerathan Jathurson Subrachandran Vincent Pike Thomas Sritharan Zubin Jacob William Nguyen

TOURNAMENT OF MINDS AWARD

Adam Saker Srinivas Byreddy Panayioti Constanti

INTERMEDIATE CHESS AWARDS

Luke Mansfield Craig Miller Dion Lin Daniel Kim Srinivas Byreddy

EXODUS FOUNDATION AWARD AND ROTARY CITIZENSHIP

Vidhushan Paheerathan

40 HOUR FAMINE AWARD

Taranjit Singh

JUNIOR DRUM CORPS BANDSMAN OF THE YEAR

Scott Worthington

Chris Wale

SERVICE TO THE DRUM CORP

Riley Tasker Perrin Tasker









Srinivas Byreddy's poster for Harmony Day

Ambrose Hill Pavi Sivakumaran Shubhankar Verma Akul Pandi

BEST NEWCOMER TO DRUM CORP

Ananth Kumaralingam Jayanth Kumaralingam Zubin Jabcob Adithya Sriram

WIDE READING AWARDS

Wilfred Knight Daniel Brajbisz
Jeremy Lopes Joshua Redolfi
Anthony De Pasquale Ganeshan Manoharan
Lincoln Dale Baki Redzeposki
Menan Kannathasan Justin Hojun Lee

EXCELLENCE IN SUPPORTED LEARNING

Mark Shen

DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARDS

Alexei Feofiloff William Nguyen

PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE AWARD

Panayioti Constanti

ACHPER AWARD

Phillip Siomos

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC PROGRAM AWARDS

William Chan Adithya Sriram
Jonathan Wong-See
Pho Shen Wang

ANSTO SCIENCE AWARD

Panayioti Constanti







Vipullan Puvanendran's poster for Harmony Day.

YEARS 7-11 SPORTS AWARDS

Ken Kyles Trophy-Champion Athlete 12 years	Luke Iskander
Charles Warne Trophy – Champion Athlete 13 years	David Chen
Grace Bros Trophy – Champion Ath- lete Howe House	Dhruv Bamrara
Bell Trophy – Champion Swimmer 13 years	Vincent Nguyen
Greening Trophy –Champion Swimmer Greening House	Vincent Nguyen
Angus & Robertson Trophy- Champion Swimmer 17+ years	Dane Kennedy
Bellbird Trophy – Champion Athlete Greening House	Libeesan Surkithan
Captain's Banner	Vaughan House
Captain's Banner	Greening House
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Champion House- Cross Country	Vaughan House
Champion House – Swimming	Hayes House
Brian Greene Trophy – Champion House	Hayes House
Champion House – Athletics	Hayes House
Drummoyne Rugby Union Club Trophy-Most Improved 1st Grade Rugby	Hayes House
Ingersoll Trophy-Champion Swimmer 12 years	Ibrahim Taha
SD Coates Trophy – Champion Swimmer Howe House	Daniel Yuan
Hyman Trophy-Champion Swimmer Hayes House	Mohammad Elakhras
Vaughan Trophy-Champion Swimmer 15 years	Matthew Gu
Aboud Trophy-Champion Swimmer Vaughan House	Matthew Gu
NWMSSA 15 Years Zone Swimming Champion	Matthew Gu
Best & Fairest – 15's Water Polo	Mitchell Taylor & Joshua Rogers
Zone Blue – Waterpolo	Mitchell Taylor & Joshua Rogers
Captain's Banner Best & Fairest – 1st Grade Tennis (Winter)	Liam Jameson
Hyman Trophy-Champion Swimmer 16 years	Serge Houhlias
ARC Engineering Trophy-Champion Swimmer 14 years	Jay Houhlias
Best & Fairest-14's Waterpolo	Jay Houhlias and Zac Foster
Best & Fairest – 14B Football	Jay Houhlias
Best & Fairest -14A Football	Matthew Munro
Best & Fairest-13A Rugby	Tennessee Aiwekhoe
Lewis Berger Trophy-Champion Ath- lete 14 years	Jeremy Butler
Best & Fairest – Junior Oz Tag A	Koheleti Vaitaiki & Angus Armstrong
Zone Blue Endorsement: Athletics	Angus Armstrong
NWMSSA 15 Years Zone Athletics Champion	Angus Armstrong
Best & Fairest-15's Rugby	Koheleti Vaitaiki
Best & Fairest – Junior Oz Tag B	Daniel Lopes & Anthony Lopes
Best & Fairest 14's Rugby	Anthony Lopes
Best & Fairest-14A Cricket	Vipullan Puraneetran
Best & Fairest 14 B Cricket	Panayioti Constantini
Best & Fairest -2nd Grade Rugby	Brian Dowling
Western Suburbs Soccer Club Trophy-	Alpay Keskin
Best & Fairest Junior Football (15A) Best & Fairest – Junior Futsal (Indoor Soccer)	Alpay Keskin
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Samuel's Trophy- Best & Fairest 1st Grade Tennis (Summer) Captain's Banner – 1st Grade Tennis (Winter) Best & Fairest-2nd Grade Tennis (Winter) Harry Quail Trophy-Best & Fairest 15's Henry Prentice Tennis (Summer) Best & Fairest-14's Tennis (Summer) Best & Fairest-15's Badmitton Western Suburbs Soccer (Lub Trophy-Most Improved 1st Grade Football John Hargrove Trophy-Champion Athiete 16 years Best & Fairest-3 ard Grade Football Best & Fairest-3 ard Grade Football Best & Fairest-13B Football Best & Fairest-13C Football Best & Fai		
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Best & Fairest - 15's Tennis (Winter) Adam Hodgess		Pavi Sivakumaran
Best & Fairest - 14's Tennis (Summer) Best & Fairest- 14's Tennis (Winter) Best & Fairest - 15's Badminton Western Suburbs Soccer Club Trophy- Most Improved 1st Grade Football John Hargrove Trophy-Champion Athlete 16 years Best & Fairest - 3rd Grade Football Best & Fairest - 5enior Baseball Captain's Banner-Senior Baseball Scott Madycki Captain's Banner-Senior Baseball Scott Madycki Best & Fairest - 13B Football Best & Fairest - 13B Football Best & Fairest - 13B Football Best & Fairest - 13C Football Best & Fairest 13C Football Best & Fairest 13C Football Best & Fairest 14th Grade Football Best & Fairest 15th Grade Football Briars Club Rugby Union Trophy - Most Outstanding Player 1st Grade Rugby Best & Fairest 1st Grade Badminton Peter Litchfield Memorial Trophy - Jonah Bolden Best & Fairest 1st Grade Basketball Captain's Banner - 1st Grade Basket- Jonah Bolden Best & Fairest - 14's Volleyball Best & Fairest - 14's Volleyball Coach's Trophy - Best & Fairest 1st Grade Wolleyball Coach's Trophy - Best & Fairest 1st Grade Wolleyball Ambrose Hill and Michael Parker Polo Best & Fairest - 14's Saketball Ambrose Hill and Michael Parker Polo Best & Fairest - 15 Saketball Best & Fairest - 15 Saketball Ambrose Hill and Michael Parker Polo Best & Fairest - Junior AFL Kaya Bremner Best & Fairest - Junior Baseball Best & Fairest - Junior Bas		Henry Prentice
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Best & Fairest - 15's Badminton Western Suburbs Soccer Club Trophy-Most Improved 1st Grade Football John Hargrove Trophy-Champion Athlete 16 years Best & Fairest - 3rd Grade Football Best & Fairest - 3rd Grade Football Best & Fairest - Senior Baseball Captain's Banner-Senior Baseball Scott Madycki Captain's Banner-Senior Baseball Best & Fairest-13B Football Best & Fairest-13B Football Best & Fairest-13B Football Best & Fairest-13C Football Best & Fairest-13C Football Best & Fairest-13C Football Best & Fairest 4th Grade Football Best & Fairest 5th Grade Football Best & Fairest - 2nd Grade Badminton William Nguyen Peter Litchfield Memorial Trophy - Jonah Bolden Best & Fairest 1st Grade Basketball Captain's Banner - 1st Grade Basket-ball Jonah Bolden Best & Fairest-2nd Grade Volleyball Best & Fairest-12's Volleyball Best & Fairest-15's Volleyball Khan Milligan Coach's Trophy - Best & Fairest 1st Grade Willis Choi Grade Volleyball Zone Blue Endorsement Volleyball Willis Choi James C Waite Trophy - Best & Fairest 1st Grade Water Polo Captain's Banner - 1st Grade Water Polo Best & Fairest-14's Basketball Jonah Bolden Best & Fairest-15's Tolket Best & Fairest-15's Cricket Nicol Brodie Best & Fairest-14's Basketball Best & Fairest-14's Table Tennis Best & Fairest-14's Table Tennis Best & Fairest-12 Trophy-Junior Sportsman Joshus Alpus Armstrong of the Year	Best & Fairest- 14's Tennis (Summer)	Vincent Kuo
Western Suburbs Soccer Club Trophy- Most Improved 1st Grade Football John Hargrove Trophy-Champion Athlete 16 years Best & Fairest - 3rd Grade Football Best & Fairest - Senior Baseball Scott Madycki Captain's Banner-Senior Baseball Best & Fairest - 15B Football Best & Fairest-13A Football Best & Fairest-13B Football Best & Fairest-13B Football Best & Fairest-13B Football Best & Fairest-13C Football Best & Fairest Sth Grade Football Best & Fairest Sth Grade Football Briars Club Rugby Union Trophy - Most Outstanding Player 1st Grade Rugby Best & Fairest - 2nd Grade Badminton Peter Litchfield Memorial Trophy - Best & Fairest 1st Grade Basketball Captain's Banner - 1st Grade Basket- ball Zone Blue - Basketball Best & Fairest-2nd Grade Volleyball Best & Fairest - 14's Volleyball Coach's Trophy - Best & Fairest 1st Grade Wolleyball Zone Blue Endorsement Volleyball Willis Choi Gaptain's Banner - 1st Grade Water Polo Captain's Banner - 1st Grade Water Polo Captain's Banner - 1st Grade Water Polo Gaptain's Banner - 1st Grade Wat	Best & Fairest-14's Tennis (Winter)	Vincent Kuo
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of the Year		Jeremy Butler
Zone Blue -Trampolining Michael Napoli		Jai Ivelja and Angus Armstrong
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The official party at the 7-11 Presentation Evening.

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Scott Bunch-Prefect



Johnny Chen - Prefect



Victor Le-Prefect



Hassan Koussan-Prefect



Rio Joon Kang-Prefect



Clinton Cheung-Prefect



Thomas Goth-Towney-Prefect



Jason Sung-Prefect



Frank Day-Prefect



Nirosan Johnpeter-Prefect



Cameron Kopecny-Prefect



Jack Codd-Miller-Prefect



Mikail Ozdemir-Prefect



William Tran-Prefect



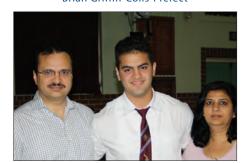
Brian Griffin-Colls-Prefect



Timothy Mitry-Prefect



Aleksandr Wynne-Prefect



Raghav Sareen-Prefect



Daniel Collis-Prefect



Some of the audience.

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Lachlan Foster-Prefect



Daniel Parkee-Prefect



Keshav Bhrugubanda-Prefect



Dylan Wijesekera-SRC



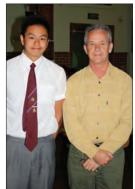
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Scott Worthington-SRC



Anthony Phan-SRC



Yacob Hill-SRC President



Perrin Tasker-SRC



Luke Mansfield-SRC





Bassel Rana-SRC



Ayman Hill-SRC



Kurstan Hu-SRC



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Soham Kembhavi-SRC



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Dylan Kang-SRC



Deren Mehmet-SRC

BUSH BULLETIN















Mr Kim Isgro-Attwood is the editor of the Bush Bulletin, our bi-term publication, that is sent out to our school community via email. It is also published on the school website.



Boys enjoy their time on the drums at the Drumbeat performance.



Ms Chan, Year 10 Adviser



Ms Chapman, Year 12 Adviser



Mr Kurshed is presented with a bat from NSW cricketers Daniel Smith and Pat Cummings with Constable Thomson.



Year 12, 2011 return to mentor Year 12, 2012 on Study Skills Day organised by Ms Milovanovic.



Australian test cricketer Pat Cummins signs autographs



Students help out on Cleanup Australia Day



Blake Stringer delivers.



Another hard-working group of boys on Cleanup Australia Day.

RYPEN CAMP

Angus Armstrong, Arnav Karnik, Dylan Fuller, Matthew Gu, Nicol Brodie and Vidhushan Paheerathan, together with sixty other students (Now known as the RYPENIENS) experienced one of the most memorable weekends of our lives from the 5th to the 7th of October at Bluegum Lodge, Springwood. We were sponsored by Strathfield, Burwood and Concord Rotary Club to attend this informative seminar. Its aim is to broaden horizons and lift aspirations in a supervised residential weekend seminar for hard-working young people.

The atmosphere of the weekend was friendly and motivational. They communicated to us young people a series of ideas, problems and social experiences which will assist us in forming our own values and moral standards and broaden our horizons culturally, socially and academically.

We were given different coloured shirts which later became our designated teams for the weekend in which we experienced thought provoking activities, informative speakers, social situations and personal challenges.

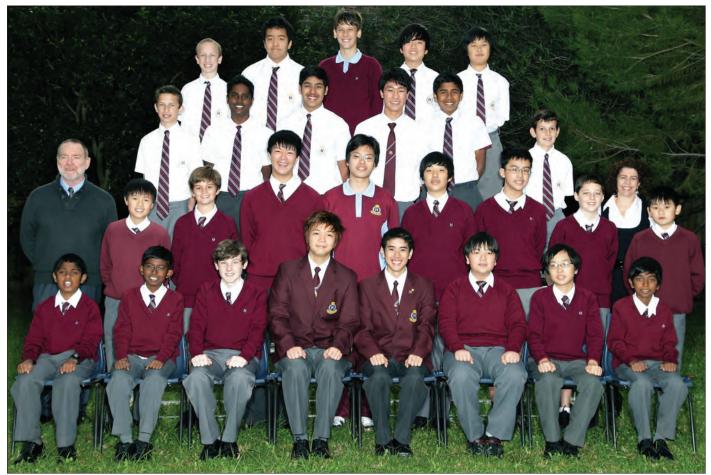
I must take this opportunity to thank Ms J. Chan and Ms M. Kaur for their ongoing support and organising this delightful weekend with our local Rotarians.

Vidhushan Paheerathan





THE SCHOOL ORCHESTRA



Front Row: Ganeshan MANOHARAN, Jathusanan YOGESAN, Hugh BLACK, Rio Joon KANG, Daniel PARKEE, Kyung Mo Noah KANG, Daniel Kyong CHO, Pirannavan KUMARALINGHAM

Second Row:Mr Jurd, Jonathan WONG SEE, Lincoln DALE, Elton CHENG, Po Shen WANG, Peter KIM, Pak On William CHAN, Jordan MALLIA, Benjamin WONG SEE Third Row:Luke MANSFIELD, Akul PANDI, Shubhankar VERMA, Derek WONG, Peraveenan JEYARASA, Jeremy LOPES, Mrs Burjan Fourth Row:Samuel MANSFIELD, Jun John LEE, Justin TRIPIC, Jun Beom PARK, Zian FENG



Mr Jurd congratulates Edwin GUO on his selection to Youth Parliament for 2012.



Panayioti tells the assembly about the Premier's Reading Challenge.



House Captains and Vice Captains for 2012



PRC certificates and awards



Vipullan and James receive Science awards from Mr Everett.



Our Happy Hospitality Team.



Year 7 students enjoy the Andrew OH performance.



The Year 12 student helpers at the April Strathfield Citizenship ceremony.



Song Lin Wu, Alex Flinn, Lukas Sorensen, Deren Mehmet, Lachlan Mackintosh, Poshen Wang.



The Homebush Boys who were the Cuban Delegation at MUNA 2012
- Arnav Karnik, Thomas Srirathan and Bassel Rana



Mr Pisani displays his Teaching Certificate.



Michael Napoli and Joel Perik with student commendations.



Angus Armstrong receives his Zone Blue for athletics from Mr Jurd



Year 7 SRC Induction.



P&C Treasurer Ms Anita Kumar presents cheque to Mr Jurd.



Igor and his sculpture



Abdul with his artwork



Dion with his sculpture



A colourful work.



James and his painting.

MEN OF HONOUR

To be successful in life, we need support. We need support from our friends and we need support from our family.

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As a young man, it is also vital that ther e is a strong male role model in their liv es. This could come in man y formsfather, br other, uncle, cousin, teacher, religious leader or sporting coach.

We are often exposed to the bad side of young men through the media. We see the ugly, violent, rude and disr espectful side of young men on the news every other night. Our boys also see the ugly , violent, rude and disr espectful side of those men that the media portray as influential.

However, at Homebush Boys High School, we will more often see the respectful, kind, generous, cheeky and empathic side of our boys through sport, charity work, community service, a myriad of classroom activities and through the vast majority of peer to peer and teacher to student interactions. So where does this come from?

'However, at Home -bush Boys High School, we will mor e of ten see the r espectful, k ind, generous, cheek y and empathic side of our boys.'

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It is those people around them. It's those who care for them and who are involved in their development that shape our boys into who they will become. It is for this reason that the men around them reflect the ideals that we want from our future men.

Our year 11 students were fortunate to be involved in a presentation from Glen Gerreyn. This former high school athlete who went on to become seriously ill, then overcome this to build a multidimensional, multi-focused youth development facility with less than \$20, engaged, enthralled and inspired 240 students for over 2 ½ hours.

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He spoke to the boys about being a man of honour. He examined the influences on current manhood and ripped apart the negative views on young men. He spoke to the boys about addiction to drugs and alcohol. Glen tack led the rarely discussed area of a young male's sexuality and the need to develop strong, long lasting relationships. The respect for the roles women play in our lives and the need to approach these relationships with maturity was a central focus of the presentation. At no stage did he patronise or belittle the boys. Glen presented a quote that summed this up-"Man is neither angel nor beast." We don't expect them to be angels, but we don't expect them to be sub-human.

However, the overriding notion of the presentation was the extreme significance of our boys having a strong male role model in their lives. These role models won't and shouldn't come from television or a w orshipped sporting team, but from those in direct contact with them.

'The r espect for the roles w omen play in our lives and the need to appr oach these r elationships with maturity was a central focus of the presentation.'

"We ar e born a male , but not all bec ome a man." Glenn Gerreyn.' The presentation gave the opportunity for the students to take something with them. Too often the motivating influence of speakers is lost once they have left the room. The students are able to keep in contact with Glen via Facebook, email or his website- www.oxygenfactory.com.au.

"We are born a male, but not all become a man." Glenn Gerreyn



Richard and Panayioti help to promote Mothers' Day.



Homebush first grade Rugby team were presented with their shirts on the school assembly.



Zhi Ma, an ex-student of Homebush BHS, joined a bike ride to raise money for the Chris O'Brien Life House.



Homebush first grade Football team were presented with their shirts on the school assembly.



Levi Anderson-Foster of Year 7 received an award for his participation in the 2012 Arts Initiatives Urban Dance Crew Workshop.





For Iftar, Ms Fattouh and our generous Muslim school community invited us all to share a huge feast.



Artsmart workshop boys with their certificates.



The Biggest Morning Tea coordinators - Yvonne Ferrier, Linda Chadwick and Laura Donohue.



Phillip Siomos at the Formal. Mr Belgre, Sports Organiser.



A happy bunch of boys.



The SRC assist in the planting of the Wollemi Pine tree.



Mr. Pearson gives instructions to crew.



Panayioti Constanti's poster for Harmony Day.



Our wonderful office staff display their TAFE certificates.



Year 7 at the Zoo.



The P&C Trivia Night brings a happy bunch of parents together.



Our school depends on the generous support of parents.



Mr Attwood with Baki Redzeposki, Dillon Tran and Daniel Choi who all received certificates for Operation Art.



Ms Kaur, Srinivas Byreddy, Ganeshan Manoharan, Umamenan Kannathasan, William Chiem & Gabriel Prosser with Mathematics Awards.

WHY LEARN LANGUAGES?

BY MS GABOR

Ms Gabor retired this year after dedicating many years to the teaching of languages.

I am sure that many students at Homebush Boys' High School might have wondered why they are offered a variety of languages, such as Italian, French, Chinese and, more recently, Korean from Year 7 through Year 12. I will start answering this question by using my personal experience in Australia.

I arrived in Australia about 30 years ago. Both my husband and I were 30 years old. Not exactly the right age to start from scratch in a new country. And yet, the most valuable asset in our possession was not the passport that let us in the new country, but the fact that we spoke at least two languages. That gave us the opportunity of finding a job straight away, even if it was not in our professions. That also gave us the chance to pay our bills, travel overseas to see our parents and family left behind, and enjoy everything that this country has to offer, in terms of arts, television, radio, newspapers and magazines. And it was very different from what we were used to. So, a fabulous learning experience that helped us belong more and more to the place.

Another way of answering this question is referring to the fact that although there may be many reasons to be grateful for being part of the 'Anglosphere', we do live in a global village, where 3000 other languages are spoken on a daily basis. People have become more mobile, such as the parents who leave the 'old country' in search of a better job and a brighter future for their children. It is more than likely that, sometimes in their lives, the children themselves might leave the English-speaking country, namely Australia, because the jobs they are interested in are in Brazil, India or China, the very countries where economy knows a fast-paced development.

Other students might be passionate about sports that are not popular in Australia and, as future journalists might have to go to Italy or France to cover such events as Tour de France or Giro d'Italia. Thus, in a fiercely com-

petitive world, being born into an Anglophone culture might not be quite the blessing it may first appear.

Finally, another way of answering the question above is, as a new study suggests, that the ability to speak two languages can make bilingual people better able to pay attention than those who can only speak one language. What a wonderful outcome especially when teaching boys going through adolescence. Further more, a study conducted recently in Luxembourg by the Centre for Health Studies has found that the ability to speak more than one language also may help protect memory. This is extremely valuable in a world in which we are bombarded by information day in, day out. It is, therefore, exceptionally beneficial to students who need to remember

a lot of details in science, geography or history.

So, instead of wondering why study a foreign language, start considering learning one or two, since the benefits of bilingualism are numerous and diverse. This school is fortunate with having highly qualified LOTE teachers, committed to pass on the passion for a new language, a new culture, a new experience. Good luck in your future studies which, hopefully, will include Italian, French, Chinese and Korean. Or, for that matter, any language other than English.



Ahmed Parappil received a highly commended award in the "Auburn Future Writers" short story competition.



New scheme teachers Mr Achmad, Ms Kench, Ms Willis and Ms Fattouh.



Mr Pearson and students with their



Member of Parliament Mr John Sidoti congratulates Lachlan Foster and Thomas Goth-Towney.

ROOKIE BY JOHN KOUNGOULOS



Commander Chen-Smith of the Republic of Australia Airship Fleet was not a woman to be reasoned with, much less argued with. So when she summoned me to the bridge and told me that I was to be one of the squad being lowered to the surface the following day, I just saluted and said "Yes, Ma'am". Like my knees hadn't suddenly turned to jelly and my mouth hadn't gone as dry as a biscuit. It would have been understandable if I'd blurted out "But Ma'am, I'm only a Junior Midshipman! I've only been in the RAAF for six months!" But I didn't. For those very reasons.

A tube burbled, and she turned away to answer it. I looked down through the plastiglass floor of the bridge. We were about 1000 feet above the Ballard Archipelago. The islands stretched northwards into the distance. Some were green, some black, some still burning. I couldn't make out the pattern. There didn't seem to be a front line. The attacks, it seemed, were random.

We assembled in the descent pod before dawn. Six of us humans plus three Assault Replicants who strapped in and switched themselves into Standby mode. Lieutenant Bax did the checks and then released the winch. We dropped away from the ship like a stone. I prepared for the worst.

The pod shook violently, tossing two human occupants out of their harnesses and onto the floor. I held on for dear life. Suddenly, there was a crashing sound from the pod. I had a peek through the plastiglass window. The pod, it seemed, was tearing itself apart from the enormous amount of pressure the atmosphere outside was applying. The hulls steel plating was ripping away from the pod, casting a red, flaming streak across the sky. The pod landed with a smash into the water, which I had seen moments ago at a great height. Lieutenant Bax was out of his seat, guiding the water turbine engines located aft towards the underwater cavern system.

I leant out of my seat toward a soldier, which had been ripped out of his jump seat. His temple had been struck by the metal structure, which was in front of him, causing the soldier to lose consciousness. Blood leaked from the heavy wound on his head. "He seems to just be unconscious Lieutenant. He'll need time to recover," I said. The Lieutenant turned around to face me. He stepped towards me and kneeled down next to the unconscious body.

"We don't have time," he said. His eyes were bloodshot from the lack of sleep aboard the Helicarrier. He got up and walked over to the controls again, guiding them into a complex tunnel system. The Lieutenant expertly directed the pod towards a small opening in the cavern. The pod creaked with enormous frustration from the crash landing.

I checked the life support in this small vessel. Its air percentage was dropping by the second. "Lieutenant" I said.

"We've got a problem". "What is it"? He shouted with great frustration and annoyance. I stayed quiet. Lieutenant Bax never did really like me.

The pod surfaced in the crystal blue water, breaking the awkward stare the Lieutenant was giving me. The top hatch lifted up, filling the silence of the pod with shrieks of high-powered lasers. I grabbed hold of a laser rifle and prepared for the oncoming barrage of fire from the enemy Battlebots. I climbed up the grassy mounds to an open plain with the rest of the squad, returning fire with interest. The Assault Replicants fared better than us humans in this type of terrain, devastating the enemy with armmounted mini-guns. The exchange of fire consumed the battlefield for many hours with each and every one of us gaining ground.

Suddenly an Assault Replicant went down, with many busted wires and joints. I made a break through the blaster fire, which took the enemy by surprise. I was gaining metres when abruptly I got shot in my left forearm causing a large amount of pain. "AAAAGGGGHHH" I screamed with intense frustration, falling to the raw soil beneath my feet with a thud. What felt like hours passed as I lay on the ground wallowing in agony. Finally I mustered my strength and got back up to my feet, much to the surprise of the enemy. In my vengeance three Battlebots went down, sparking from my rapid advancement. I heard a strained shout behind me from my fellow soldiers. As I looked over towards the hill ten Battlebots in rows of two advanced quickly and mercilessly destroyed the last of our Replicants. It was clear that we were outmanned and outgunned. As they drew closer "Hands up," said one of the Battlebots in a deep electronic voice. "Lay down your weapons" the Battlebot added after its last remark. We're done for, I thought to myself.

The Battlebots circled us and finally rested with their weapons into our backs. "Prepare for execution" said one of the bots. I closed my eyes and waited for the end. Without warning, the commanding Battlebot was sawn in half with withering gunfire from above, reducing it to spare parts. Two Gunships still blasting at the enemy landed 50 yards from us. We hastily scrambled aboard, with lasers shooting all around us. The Gunship closed the blast doors and took off, its turbofans whining furiously, leaving the Battlebots in a smouldering mess.

I turned to face Commander Chen-Smith as the ship rocketed back to the Helicarrier. "Well the good news is we took the capital. Our forces are moving in as we speak. You boys are to report back to HQ for your next assignment. Dismissed". As soon as she said that the gunship doors opened to reveal the hanger of the Helicarrier. I followed her out and onto the platform with the others. She turned to face me and said "Well done out there, rookie, there's hope for you yet".



Ms McGuiness with the winning Yr11 debating team of Scott Worthington Gagan Jalandhra, Alexei Feofiloff and Perrin Tasker.



Mr Ha and Mr Jurd with Badminton winners Yinan Wu and William Nguyen.



Mr Jurd congratulates John Koungoulos.



Joel Perik demonstrates his skills.



Daniel Collis ADF Long Tan Recipient



Mr Simon Ford, Ms Simone Burton, Ms Fiona Murray and Mr Nick Miller were special guests at the Yr12 graduation.



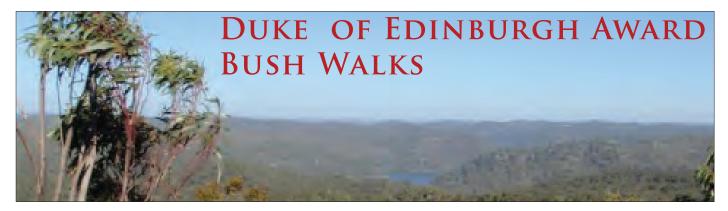
Mr Letsios and his Year 10 Art class produced this artwork for the Archibull Prize.



Year 9 students attend the Korean Cultural Office



Distinction and High Distinction recipients in the History Competition.



'Experience is not what happens to you; it's what you do with what happens to you.' Aldous Huxley

The Duke of Ed is an enriching program which involves young people to participate in a number of activities over a set length of time

Participants design their own unique program centred on their interests and passions.

It is our vision that our boys are empowered to explore their potential and achieve success through access and participation in The Duke of Ed.

Throughout 2012 we have been meeting weekly in room 42, and setting goals and planning how to achieve them. Each participant must take on volunteer work, physical activities, and skill building as well as developing some bushcraft which accumulates in an adventurous journey.

The first trip on our Duke of Ed calendar was the Bronze practice hike, the purpose of which is to undertake an overnight "adventure" under the guidance and leadership of supervising teachers with the aim of preparing students to lead their own "adventure" later in the year. It was with this goal that our ragged bunch of adventurers met early in the morning at Strathfield train station to head off into the unknown. Our Hike was a total of 33kms over 2 days, with an overnight stop at Lane Cove Tourist Park.

Our group had varying levels of experience in the outdoors and almost all of our adventurers arrived prepared for our hike thanks to the weeks of planning and coaching by Ms Adams on exactly what equipment was required. All that is, except for one boy who shall remain nameless. It is safe to say that few things will teach you the value of preparation more than having to drag a 20 kilogram over the shoulder style sports bag 33 kilometres through the bush for two days!

Despite patches of rain, outrageous underestimation of distances, a great deal of sweat and a few tears, our first hike ended as a success. We reached the Huntleys Point ferry wharf in the early afternoon and the boys were all very relieved to be headed home.

Our second trip was the bronze qualifying hike which had to be completely organised and executed by the students. Naturally, this was not without some trepidation on the behalf of the supervising teachers as it is not easy to put yourself at the mercy of a group of students. Fortunately, the boys did an admirable job and the hike was another success. The route chosen by the boys was from Wondabyne to Woy Woy through the Brisbane Water National Park. This is a 16km hike through some beautiful bushland, past waterfalls and summiting mountains. We were blessed with beautiful weather for the trip which made the hike quite pleasant.



Thornleigh hike



Mt Wondabyne



Pindar cave

DRUM CORPS

(SEE PAGE 136 FOR MORE PHOTOS.)



Prefects and Drum Corps at Burwood Anzac march.



The Drum Corps opens the school Anzac ceremony.



Daniel prepares to step off at the Sandakan ceremony.



After the Sandakan ceremony.



After the march in Burwood.



Aleksander Wynne



Lachlan Foster with his grandfather's medals.



Phillip Siomos



Frank Day and Thomas Goth-Towney.



Jude Johnpeter

DRUM CORPS REPORT

During my time at Homebush Boys High School, the single most important activity outside of education has to be being in the Drum Corps. The formalities, the splendour, the delight of giving respect and recognition to the unknown soldiers of the past, are all embedded in my memories. I shall never forget.

Many assume that the Drum Corps is just for show, individuals just tirelessly walking on kilometres of unbevelled tarmac, but to me and the members in the group, it far exceeds all but the wildest of expectations. Despite the much-needed exercise, it is also a group of fun and games, always discovering ways to wind up others and be wound up. Jokes told of sticks being dropped, unsynchronised marching, berets tilting in the wrong direction, the incorrect clothing and that one extra beat played by at least one person in the second cadence, are all commonalities shared among all group members, both past and present.

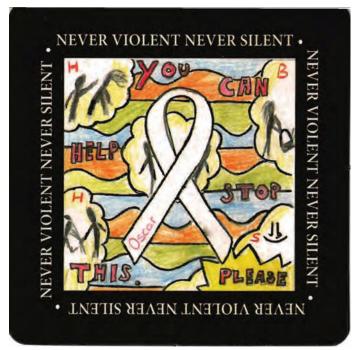
Participating in events, creating admiration for the school and showing respect, fill us each with a sense of goodwill. Events such as creating an atmosphere that will never be forgotten by the incoming year 7s at Open and Orientation Days, the school and the elderly as they stand at attention at the various ANZAC ceremonies we participate in, the memories of the Sandakan survivors read aloud at the Burwood Park cenotaph, and the gazes of viewers standing by at the Strathfield Fair.

My time in the Drum Corps has seen many changes, from Drum Majors to new coordinators. I remember when Elison Furneaux-Bate, Tom Gallagher, and Ashvin Ashok were all Drum Majors, as-well as the times of Ms Rainer, Mr Fernandez, and now our present and wonderful coordinator, Ms Horiatopoulos, as-well as Mrs Middleton who brought many new things and tricks to the little Drum Corps table, and the times of our wonderful ol' drum master, Jim Batch, coming in every Friday at lunch to teach us new and exotic tricks regarding our sticks.

Despite the laughter and games, the marching and the playing, it was also a place to learn - always on the lookout for new drummers to teach. In fact, the snare drum of the Drum Corps was the first instrument I had actually played and mastered, since I joined back in Year 7 of 2007. The learning environment, as well as the teaching environment, was both fun and intuitive, where all could easily pick up the rhythm.

All in all, the Homebush Boys High School Drum Corps was a wonderful experience for me, and I am sure for my peers, and the memories of all will be retained indefinitely.

Daniel Collis Drum Major



Brian Yu's entry in White Ribbon Day coaster design competition.



Year 8 Visual Arts students with Ms Sue Gagen and their coaster design awards for Stop Violence against Women.

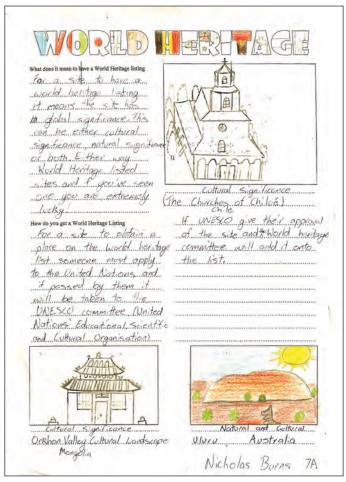
ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE

2012 was another busy year for the Environment Committee. The team consisted of John Pearson (Team Leader) as well as K. Digges, E. Yong, S McFarlane, C MGuinness, N Madakasra, J Kaur, J Lee, N Gounder, L Adams, S Brown, A Doolan, S Tserpes & K Pathan. The team had members from the SRC as part of it, as well.

The team was involved in a number of environmental activities throughout 2012. The school had a 10Kw solar cell system worth \$50,000 installed onto the roof of the new gymnasium. The school was also awarded a \$2,500 grant to promote awareness of energy efficiency. This money will be used to develop awareness of energy conservation, and purchasing of timer switches to be installed around the school.

Other environmental programs were: Clean Up Australia Day, World Tree Day, School garden maintenance, Mobile phone recycling program, SRC InspiroEnviro program, World Environment Poster Day and Green awareness Mufti Day, planting of the Wollemi Pine, getting a donation of recycling bins from Bunnings so we could start an aluminium can and PET bottle recycling program. Later this year we will have the Gardening Blitz program again.

There are still many programs planned for the future, such as: having a web link for environmental issues on the school server, setting a native tree garden and naming all the species around the school grounds, raising awareness in the school community of environmental issues around the school. A lot has been achieved and hopefully much more will be achieved in the future in relation to environmental issues.



Nicholas Burns-Ms McIntyre's Geography class-7A

THE FIG TREE

by Menan Kannathasan (7G)



Here stands our school's fig tree
Poised there like a justice sword,
Fighting and breaking records as it curls
Weeping and sighing in the gust of wind,
Secrets are hidden underneath
Its stable roots,

Shooting like a star for freedom Every day it stands outstretched, Reaching for it personal best.

What has made this tree a mystery?
No one knows,
As it blows history out of sight
This is the Fig Tree,
Which we agree,
Has a legacy as long as zero divided by two.
It always stands out,
Full of pride
Perpetuating the mystery.

This is Homebush Boys High School's Fig Tree

(Menan loves poetry. See his report at end of magazine.)

H.B.H.S. CHESS

From an original by Henry Liang edited by A. Doolan for Mr John Evans (Head Teacher Mathematics and Chess 1975-2005)

Here at Homebush Boys High School, we have a long tradition of participating in the NSW Junior Chess League's Metropolitan Secondary Schools Competition. This tradition continued this year as 2 teams composed of our best chess players battled the 7 week long competition. During these weeks there were victories, defeats, laughter and tears as the students fought for their pride and for our school. In the end, the outcomes did not matter, for the knowledge that we gave our best and tried our hardest was rewarding enough for our brave chess players.

The NSW Junior Chess League's Metropolitan Secondary Schools Competition is a team's competition for secondary schools around Sydney. All secondary schools are invited to send any number of teams consisting of 4 players into the competition. Schools are divided into regions according to their geographical locations, and each region in turn is divided into divisions. The competition starts in Term Two where schools within the same division versus each other in round robin tournament. The division winners then can proceed to knock-out finals, followed by the knock-out inter-region finals where the overall winner is determined.

Two teams enrolled for the competition this year:

•the Intermediate Team (yrs9-10) Luke Mansfield, , Craig Miller, Dion Lin, Daniel Kim, Srinivas Byreddy

•the Senior Team (yrs11-12) Keshav Bhrugubanda, Arunasingam Abayasingam, Andrew Truong, Manovarman Selvanathan, Richard Li

For the Intermediate Team, this was a year of extremities and mixed emotions. There was one good victory, as well as heartbreaking defeats as the Intermediate Team struggled to keep their well-earned 6th place. Led by Captain Craig Miller, the team won against Meriden(4:0), drew with Fort Street (2:2) but lost to Christian Brothers' Lewisham, Newington A, Leichhardt and Trinity A. Overall there was plenty of room for improvement and many lessons to be learnt from this year. At the end of the competition, the Intermediate Team earned 13 points, and ranked 6th.

The Senior Team faced the greatest challenge this year out of the two teams. Naturally, the odds were against our Senior Team from the very beginning. However, they were not ones to falter and run. Instead, they fought on, and made themselves worthy opponents of each team they faced. Led by Captain Keshav Bhrugubanda, the Senior Team beat Newington B (3:1) and Sydney Technical B (4:0), but lost to Trinity A (0:4), Sydney Boys(0:4) and Canterbury Boys(0:4). Overall, they scored 11, and took the 6th spot, in front of Sydney Technical B.

The results of our teams may have not being what was expected, but that does not matter. The important thing here is that our chess players had the courage and the right mindset to take on strong opponents without despair or ever giving up.

If nothing else, the chess teams should be praised for their determination and their good sportsmanship during the competition. In a way, the strong and upright quality demonstrated by our chess team this year is more important than simply winning. By possessing these qualities our chess players have lived up to the motto of our school: Recte et Fortiter and upheld the name of Homebush Boys High.

All in all, this had been a fun year for Homebush Boys Chess Teams. I would like to congratulate all Chess players on their fantastic efforts this year and hope for an even better performance next year. I would also like to thank the Chess Co-ordinators Mr Doolan and Mr Sivathothy, without whose continuous hard work none of this would be possible.

BATTLE OF THE BRAINS

Battle of the Brains (BOTB) is a fun, yet competitive, event that has Homebush Boys combating students from Birrong Girls HS in a quiz-style competition to ascertain which years 7, 8 and 9 students have the widest reading experiences. There are 2 competitions each year, both at HBHS and at BGHS. Each quiz is developed and hosted by older students from each school. There are 2 trophies that teams attempt to win and take back to their respective schools. BOTB also encourages all years 7, 8 and 9 students to enter the Premiers Reading Challenge. Mr C.Elaro









PREFECTS 2012

The 2012 Prefect Year was what I perceived as a year of significant leadership attainment from the whole Prefect body irrespective of their role within the body.

Our prefecture began when we were sent away on a camp to Jamberoo where we were led by a group of experienced mentors who began to teach the group about the importance of teamwork and planning throughout our year and how this would impact on our overall success of the year. They stressed the importance of ensuring that everyone was willing and able to complete assigned tasks to deadlines. These critical lessons were taught to us through fun and creative methods such as abseiling, canoeing and through rope courses. It was safe to say that by the end of our "adventure" we were not only instilled with the ability to work together as a successful team but also with a sense of confidence and belief in ourselves.

The rest of the prefecture can be summarised by what I believe were our critical goals in the year and whether we achieved success in these areas.

The first goal was to improve the level of community participation and involvement. The prefecture I believe achieved this goal with great success. Throughout the year we had all prefects to some degree involved in a number of community events and fundraisers in which Prefects presented themselves as respectable students and representatives of the school. These included citizenship ceremonies, ANZAC day ceremonies as well as a host of charitable fundraisers within school throughout the year.

The second goal which I thought was of importance was the improvement of school relations, particularly with Strathfield Girls High School and non-government schools. This was I believe quite successfully achieved. In early Term 1 we held an Afternoon Tea for Prefects of schools within the area which was a fun afternoon of games and mingling that allowed other schools to see the school and its students for what it is; a strong valued school of respectful students. Furthermore, our relations with Strathfield Girls were strengthened with an inter-school gathering that was positive for the future Prefects. Throughout the year, Prefects were also invited to and attended various Afternoon Teas at other schools within the area allowing the school's presence to be felt further.

The last goal, which I saw as integral was the development of Prefects into multi-faceted leaders who would one day lead the nation and the world. The Prefect experience and the knowledge that the students gained from this has given me better hope for a world that lacks true leadership. It is integral that the Prefects ensure that this experience is not wasted on them as it has provided a strong and stable foundation for their future.

Overall, despite achieving these goals, the students enjoyed their experience as leaders and representatives of the school and this was what made the 2012 Prefect Body an honour and pleasure to lead.

Phillip Siomos School Captain 2012

SRC 2012

Wow what a year!

The SRC this year has taken on a fresh approach from what was previously though possible under the fresh leadership of Mrs. Kumaralingam and Mrs. Altundag, and our superb president, the eminent Jacob Hill. With the dynamic leadership this group has ensured the SRC of distinguished individuals from years 7 to 12, totalling (How many where there?) Led the school from strength to strength as we strove to make the Homebush Boys name of even higher repute within not only the local community, but also the state.

The year commenced with the rush of energy that the reelection brought, as well as established zeal from the prior 75th anniversary activities. The SRC commenced the year with a series of workshops to ensure that the SRC of this year exceeded expectations. These include the World Vision Conference, and a Values based workshop. These experiences pulled the group together and created a well oiled machine.

Clean Up Australia Day was the next major project for the SRC as we worked together with the environment team, especially Mr. Pearson, and helped clean up Australia. Ayman and Bassel then departed school for a few days every so often to represent the school at the Regional and State SRC conferences. With their continued effort, they drew the action to our doorstep and we held a Regional conference at our school. Pink Ribbon day and daffodil day were also worked upon this year with significant contributions made by the school to both organisations.

Finally the SRC excelled itself in the latter part of the year as we completed any a project. Firstly the SRC was instrumental in the implementation of new uniform measures for beanies and scarves. Additionally Perrin Tasker superbly led a team of highly motivated SRC members to a very satisfying and rewarding conclusion in the Enviro Inspiro project. We very narrowly missed placing in that competition. Finally the crowing glory of this years SRC and the culmination of all the years effort was the Multi Cultural day. This day was a great day for all involved and saw a new level of community and interschool relations priorly thought impossible.

Finally no report on the SRC could be reported without a special word towards Mrs. Kumaralingams words(thought for the week by SRC) of the week. These prose's of perfection perfectly positioned the pupil in a place of ponderance.

All in all a great year has been had with many a laugh shared and many a thing done.

Regards, and best of luck to the new years crew!

Scott Worthington 2012 SRC member

FACULTY YEAR ADVISERS' REPORTS













'A huge thank you to the management of Homebush Foodworks and Homebush Fruit Bowl for generously donating food supplies for our inaugural breakfast Club on 9th October. '







'It was an honour for our two recipients, Leonardo Pane and Edwin Guo to be asked to chair this prestigious ceremony'. (Opal Awards for student volunteering)







Public speaking prizewinners

Aydin Cochrane

Scott Worthington and Ms Sahay





'We are proud of our boys.'

COMPUTING STUDIES

This year has seen the development of Apps for android and Apple by Software Design students.

Some yr 10 students will produce their first Apple App this term, a Hello program for an iphone or ipad. The process of developing Apple Apps is different to what the students have done with MS Visual Basic or Python, the process is much more graphical, click and drag rather than command line driven as in Python. Students will be using the updated Apple iMac Lab the ILC, XCode software and Apple development simulator for this.

Earlier this year students used Python, Visual Basic and Flash to produce software programs. They will use actionscripting in Flash to make a vertical shooter game with flash. This experience in software design and development will be integral to the boys understanding in App development for phones and/or tablet computing.

We held the VET simulated work placement again this year with Yr11 IT students invoved with students from Merriwa Central School. Communication was by Video conference and Adobe connect software, students remained connected remotely by ICT all week.

'This week we underwent a series of tasks which simulated an I.T. work place. Installing hardware to create a 6 computer Network was quite enjoyable considering the tangled cords. Creating our own business was the highlight. Each individual played a critical role in getting the company to what it was on presentation day.' Eren Aral

'I liked how everybody could join a group conversation to talk to one another. Working together as a group is a great experience and gets things done faster and you increase your knowledge.' Andrew Boules

Computer Skills Competition (ICAS) - 2012

About 180 students of Homebush Boys, mainly from years 9 and 10, took part in this assessment program. Three of our students obtained Distinction and 20 students obtained Credit level passes.

Distinction

Akhilesh Dhanekula Yr 9 Liam Mclachlan Yr 9 Sahil Bahandula Yr 10

PYTHON CHALLENGE

The Python Challenge is run by the School of Information Technologies at the University of Sydney as part of the National Computer Science School (NCSS).

This program runs for 5 weeks and teaches students how to program and releases a set of notes containing the information students will need to complete the week's programming challenges.

The challenge was conducted in three streams:

The beginner's stream: which doesn't assume any knowledge of programming and introduces the Python programming language; the intermediate stream, for students who have either have some prior programming experience or have some prior experience with the Python programming language; and the advanced stream, for students who know Python and want harder problems.

About 30 students participated in this challenge. Our students achieved excellent results. Six students achieved High Distinction, another six students achieved Distiction and thirteen students achieved Credit level. All students who received HD were also on the top 10 leaderboard for all students across Australia and Asia.

High Distinction

Daniel Collis Yr12, Shinoy Jacob Yr12, Aswin Shanmugalingham Yr12, Ameen Ramadan-Jradi Yr12, Ansaf Ahmeed Yr11 and Nadan Vindesh.

Greg Sheath
Computing Studies Head of Department



Students and staff IT Vet Simulated Work Placement

NATIONAL ROBOTICS TRIP 2012

It's Thursday, our luggage is packed, the boxes are packed, the robots are safe, our road trip songs are loaded onto the iPods and the year 12 graduation has just ended. It's road trip time! During the 20-23 September, four students (Thomas Goth-Towney, Shinoy Jabob, Edwin Guo and Ansaf Ahmed) travelled to Canberra to compete in the Robocup Junior Nationals.

Before we go on further about the trip, let's explain what Robocup really is, otherwise it's like watching the Matrix's final fight without knowing why there is one. There's got to be a build up to the hype that makes you anticipate the showdown. Robocup is a project-oriented educational initiative that facilitates local, regional and international robotic events for young students. The aim is to promote research into robotics to meet the vision that by 2050 robots will autonomously play soccer against the most recent winners of the FIFA world cup. The focus of the junior league (under 18's) is education by fostering artificial intelligence and a standard of problems that we face today where a wide range of technologies can be integrated and

Like any other road trips, it had to be a safe one. Casual 2 hour breaks at the nearest rest area, lots of snacks and singing to keep us occupied. Occasionally there'd be casual talks about the robots and planning on what we'd do when we arrived.

We stayed at a Holiday Park in our own cottage house. It was spacious, lots of beds, our own digital TV, kitchen, fridge and a bathroom. We immediately settled in and got to work unpacking the boxes, tools, robots and gear. One moment the place was a nice family setting; in the next it was a workshop for the team to revel in our academic engineering (this included our 10.2 sound system that we blasted throughout the night).

As a team of engineers you would expect us to be organised and tidy. That....was...not... the...case. We had forgotten torches, power boards and basic kitchen cleaning equipment, toothpaste, scissors and a lamp. We immediately set out to find the nearest grocery store and got the items.

You could describe us as robot in the sense that regardless of the time of day or night if we had a task or command to execute, we'd be performing it. It's not that we were forced to work but as engineers we force ourselves to work. This mental discipline probably came into effect with the day we set eyes on our new toys in the engineering package. We just couldn't stop playing with them.

Friday was the first competition day we could familiarise ourselves with the venue and perform testing. The venue was at ANU (Australian National University). Throughout the whole day....you guessed it, WE WORKED! The most annoying thing about robots is that just when you think it does what you've told it to do, the next hour it does something completely different. Our robot took us 8 months to design and construct and you would think it would be enough time for us to complete

it. It really isn't. The biggest problem in engineering is timing. There just never seems to be enough time to debug all their weird behaviours. Perhaps it's an omen that robots are going to take over the world in the near future? Hey wouldn't that be exciting!

For all the "tech-heads" out there who want a scope on our project, the division we competed in was Opens Soccer. The objective of the division is to make the robot autonomously (no remotes) seek an infrared ball and shoot it into the goals. Our robots have a set size and weight limit however all integrated technologies were allowed as long as they do not interfere with other robots' performances. The specs of our robot include a solenoid to kick the ball, compass sensor to get a sense of direction, light sensor to navigate around the field, 3 Omni directional wheels, 3 high power motors, motor controllers, radio communications, arduino micro controllers to process information, infrared sensors to find the ball, a lipo battery and various transistors.

Ok so now that the technical side is out of the way, you're probably wondering how we went in the competition, what was exciting, what did we learn and what problems did we face. This year the competition was the fiercest I have ever seen. Using the same limitations other competitors have worked out how to implement all elements of human soccer functions (dribbling, finding the ball, kicking the ball, stropping the ball). In previous years teams would have at least 1 element missing such as dribbling or applying a kicker to their robot due to size and weight limitations within the Soccer Lego league.

This year the engineering design has raised its bar of standards. More impressively a team managed to create Omni directional wheels out of pure Lego. This consists over 20 pieces per wheel. For those who do not know, an Omni directional wheel is a base wheel with smaller wheels attached all around it. The use for Omni wheels allows any vehicle to move in any direction without changing the direction it is facing. The effect of the robot almost appears as if it is gliding. By doing this, it reduces the time needed to reach its destination.

Apart from soccer there was some very interesting builds in the Rescue and Dance leagues. In the Rescue league there has been a slow transition from Lego based robots into microcontroller units. It's not very much of an advancement however it's a start. Even though the advancement was very tiny, the innovation award was awarded to a competitor in Rescue for their effort to steer away from a Lego based approach.

In the Dancing league more amazing engineering architecture has arisen. It's not often that you see humanoid robots and this year there were PLENTY of near humanoid robots. I would imagine these humanoids would've taken months and months and months to build. The humanoid robots were still made of Lego however it did make their performances much more interesting than any other year.

Now for the exciting part, how did we go? Can I just say how challenging it was to compete in Soccer? Soccer is the most

advanced and complicated leagues because you're dealing with live readings and hoping the artificial intelligence you've created is sufficient enough to make the right actions and decisions. You have absolutely no control of the robot. You may think that building and programming the robot is sufficient enough to compete, however on the day you arrive you would need to calibrate them according to the environment and then modify them to adjust against oncoming opponents. Occasionally you would find flaws and breakthroughs in your program or the opponents which can be exploited and implemented into the artificial intelligence. A combination of good mechanical and software engineering where both software and hardware compliment and compensate each other is pretty much what's required in soccer.

On the first day, we managed to qualify into the finals. It was intense as our robots had a substantial amount of sensors offline. However reluctantly the efficiency of microcontrollers gave us the cutting edge to win as most of our rivals were using Lego based robots (please note Lego is actually a very powerful piece of machinery). On the second day we were still eager to compete despite our robot still having a substantial amount of sensors offline. We came close to winning as our robot won the first round however on the second round we lost by four points. We were eliminated however this was the top 16s round. Our overall rank placed us 11th out of the estimated 50 teams (I told you the competition was going to be fierce).

One of the most enjoyable things about Robocup Junior Nationals is that there is a social on a selected night during the three day period of the competition. Here we get to socialise and meet new people around the country. We are also able to discuss and talk about robots and experiences or exchange stories about our greatest engineering obstacles. This year the social was held at Questacon where for the night it was only open to Robocup competitors. The most interesting exhibit there was a robotic arm that was programmed to play air hockey against human competitors. It was impossible to score a goal against it however we managed to see all the physics, schematics and programming the robot goes through to calculate the route and decisions it makes to play air hockey.

Although the competition is over, there was a lot we learnt over the three day event. We now have new ideas, technologies and innovations that we are considering to implement for next year's competition. The knowledge we have gained over the entire robotic year will be contributed back into training others who wish to take on robotics as an extra curriculum activity.

We are currently looking for bright young minds who wish to take on robotics. If you are interested please contact Edwin Guo or Ansaf Ahmed. Skills gained include electronics design, mechanical engineering and C++ programming.

Edwin Guo Year 11

CREATIVE & PERFORMING ARTS

As we move towards the end of 2012 we can look back at a very successful year in Visual Arts and Music. Students have again strived to attain high standards of excellence in the creative and performing arts. The year has also seen some changes in staff with Ms Katie Roberts joining us half way through the year to teach Visual Arts on a part time basis. We also had Ms Micaela Cecire join us in terms two and three to teach Music whilst Mr Albertson was on leave, which also included taking on the Yr12 Music class and preparing them for their practical exams. We would all like to thank Micaela for her guidance and dedication to ensure all students were provided with a quality education in Music

The CAPA faculty has continued to offer a variety of activities that have given the students the opportunity to develop and improve their technical skills and understanding within the creative and performing arts. In Music there have been some excellent visiting musicians that have captivated and inspired the students with their demonstrations and performances. In most cases there is student participation where students are able to be part of the performance, which the students enjoy immensely. In Visual Arts this year 28 students were selected to be involved in a gifted and talented workshop in Claymation that resulted in some outstanding video artworks being produced by the boys who thoroughly enjoyed the experience.

This year also saw the introduction of the International Music Program, which is led by the talented Ms Tracy Burjan. There have been many performances during the year, but the highlight would have been when our school orchestra was invited to perform at the Annual OTEN Awards night at Club Burwood. The orchestra performed 6 pieces and the Director of OTEN praised the band captain, Daniel Parkee and vocalist Rio Kang. Tracy is an accomplished music tutor with a strong record of achievement and has already made some excellent progress with the boys where she will again lead them with performances at our end of the year presentation evening. The IMP director and conductor Ms Tracy Burjan is extremely pleased with the orchestra's progress, which has unearthed a wealth of musical talent in the school.

Daniel Parkee is a regular member of the Public Schools' Symphony Orchestra and we are pleased to recognise Hugh Black of Year 8 who has been selected to play oboe in the NSW Public School Symphonic Wind Orchestra. Hugh toured with the orchestra and in Melbourne they won the National Band Championships.

The annual Year 12 CAPA night that included Music and Visual Arts was again a very successful event that highlights the many talented students within the creative and performing arts in the school. Parents, friends, staff and teaching colleagues from our school region attended to see a fantastic selection of artworks from the Visual Arts students as well as some outstanding musical performances from the Music students. This year's students have again raised the bar as the standard in both areas was of the highest level, which was backed up by the many glowing comments from all in attendance.

Ms Cecire and Mr Letsios were the teachers in charge of the Y12 classes this year, and both are to be congratulated for the time and effort they put in to ensure all students achieved their full potential. We now hope all the hard work will come to fruition when they get their final marks for the HSC at the end of the year. We must also make special mention to a number of Yr 12 Visual Arts students who have had their 'Body of Work' selected for Artexpress, which continues a strong tradition of student achievement at this highest of levels.



Haneul KANG

Congratulations also go to Jason Park, Baki Redzeposki and Daniel Choi who had their artworks chosen from the Operation Art exhibition that was displayed at the Art Gallery of NSW, which is a real honor. Only 50 artworks are chosen from over 790, which makes this an exceptional achievement for our school. Jason Park also had the privilege of being invited to be part of a video conference with the highly acclaimed Australian artist Ben Quilty to talk about Operation Art. Dylan Tran of Yr7 was also recognized in Operation Art and had his artwork selected for the Teacher's resource CD. Another highlight saw eight of our YR 9 students selected for the four day gifted and talented Artsmart workshop at Campbelltown Art Gallery. The artwork created by the students in painting, sculpture and printing will be exhibited at the regional Directors Choice Gala event in Homebush. There was also success with Angus Jin, Aravindra Sundravel and Jeremy Chung having their prints selected for the Silk Cut Awards in Melbourne and Anthony Lopes, Oscar Verrilli, Brian Lu and Ray Lee having their drink coaster designs selected for White Ribbon Day that focuses on issues of violence against

And just when you thought nothing strange happens in Visual Arts, there is a life size fiberglass cow that Mr Letsios and his Yr10 class are painting for the 'Archibull Prize' which is an innovative and fun program that provides student participants with opportunities to meet young farmers and engage in genuine farm experiences, gain knowledge and skills about the production of the food they eat, fibres they use and the environment they live in. The theme celebrates the role Australian farmers play in feeding Australian families and many other families around the world. You have to see it to believe it!

The Performing Arts Camp again demonstrated the high standard of musical talent that is fostered within the school under the leadership of Mr Albertson. The Camp was held in March at the Naamaroo Conference Centre, Lane Cove and was again highly successful. We were fortunate in securing the services of the highly acclaimed Stephen Fisher-King to guide and tutor the boys in their musical endeavours. The camp concluded with all students performing to an enthusiastic audience of parents, friends and teachers.

The success the students achieved this year has been the result of the dedicated and enthusiastic approach of the CAPA staff and I would like to acknowledge the fantastic efforts from Andrew Smith, Audrey Juska, Anthony Letsios, Linda Adams, Ian Albertson, Katie Roberts, Micaela Cecire and Tracy Burjan for their commitment in providing quality education for students in Creative and Performing Arts at Homebush BHS.

Kim Attwood Head Teacher Creative and Performing Arts.

YEAR 12 BODY OF WORK



Saranken SURESH-KUMAR





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YEAR 12





Jonathon CAO

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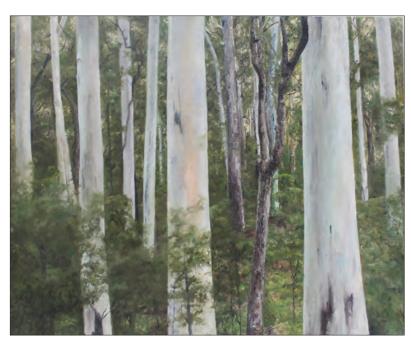
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Jonathan CAO

Our annual Y ear 12 CAP A night w as again a v ery suc cessful ev ening that highlighted the man y gif ted and talented students within the cr eative and per forming arts in the school. P arents, friends and staff attended the ev ening to view a f antastic selection of ar tworks and some outstanding musical per formances fr om our students.

This year's students have again raised the bar as the standar d in both areas was of the highest level, which was backed up by the many glowing comments from both the parents and the staff. The Visual Arts Body of Works from Yr12 students was a real highlight with some outstanding works that are sure to be awarded high marks.



Najee ROUDE



Jimmy SHIM





Jimmy SHIM



Omer CENK





Nadim El-KHADEM



Jonathon CAO

Nadim El-KHADEM



Matieen SMITH



Oliver SMITH







Allan CHEN

CAPA NIGHT MUSICAL PERFORMANCES

















ENGLISH

The English Faculty has had another busy year. Our beloved Mr Robert Wills and Mr Andrew Fairley moved on to greener pastures at the end of 2011. Mr Wills entered a much deserved retirement and Mr Fairley was successful in attaining a promotion to Head Teacher on merit. Both were integral members of our faculty and we miss them greatly. We welcomed Ms Effie Bonis who replaced Mr Wills and Ms Emily Yong who replaced Mr Fairley. Both have already made valuable contributions to the faculty and the whole school community.

With a great deal of hard work and persistence, 2012 continues to build success in the faculty from recent years. Whilst the Stages 4 and 5 programmes have been stable in their implementation, the faculty is primed to tackle the upcoming Stages 4 and 5 changes that have been precipitated by the new Australian Curriculum. As a Faculty, we always welcome the challenge and the enthusiasm that is often associated with processes of renewal. Further changes are taking effect in the implementation of ICT activities in our teaching programmes. The wonderful addition of a number of IWBs means that most of our classrooms are now fitted with this exciting educational facility.

The proud tradition in debating has continued with the usual number of dedicated debating teams in the various competitions. We had 6 teams represent the school and congratulations to Ms McGuinness' Year 11 team for reaching the regional final – an outstanding achievement and a just reward for both the team and the coach. It takes a colossal amount of time and energy to organise and coach each team. I am grateful for every coach's patience and the organisational skills in ensuring the debates were scheduled on time and their team was ready. Thanks to Ms Yong (Year 7 coach); Ms Porteous (Year 8 coach); to Ms McGuinness (Year 11 coach); and to Ms Mirkova and Ms Quick (Year 9 and 10 coaches respectively) for their continued hard work and commitment to debating. Yours truly had the honour of coaching the Year 12 team.

The 2011 Higher School Certificate results were overall very pleasing. In Advanced English, we had a course average which was 2.77% above the State result. Over 75% of the candidates attained Bands 5 and 6, which is a highly satisfactory achievement. In Band 6 there were 4 students (8.88% compared to the State's average of 13.3%). 30 students achieved Band 5 (66.6% compared to the State's average of 44.85%). The 2011 Standard English results were very strong. A total of 114 students, in 6 classes, completed the course with the course average being 6.29% above the state. Some 22 students achieved a band 5 (19.29% of the cohort) whilst the state average was 8.7%.The results in this course have consistently performed some 6 or 7 % above the stage average for the past 5 years. This is a remarkable achievement.

2011 was the final year for the School Certificate. The English Literacy results were quite disappointing. The number of students who scored a Band 6 was by far the fewest we had in several years. We only had 3 candidates scoring in the top Band 6. There was a slight drop in the number of students who scored a Band 5(33.6%) compared to 34.8 % in 2010. This was marginally (0.3%) below state average. The majority of our students achieved a Band 4. In fact, more than half

(54.2%) achieved a Band 4! The State average for this Band was 45%.

The support for the English and Writing Competitions, and the Year 7 Spelling Competition, was not as encouraging in 2012 as compared to previous years. The English Competition, which was yet again well patronised, had some 20% of the participants succeed in achieving a credit or distinction. The recipients of the Distinction and Credits certificates in the three competitions Yusuf Ali, Jeremy Xeng, Denis Mulya, Gabriel Prosser and Benjamin Nguyen from Year 7; Domenic Yates, Jun Wei Kha, Samuel Mansfield, and Daniel Wan from Year 8; Panayioti Constanti from Year 9; Akhilesh Dhanekula, Hamish Swanson and Dillon Halder from Year 10. Congratulation to all the award recipients and thank you to all who entered these competitions in 2012.

The annual English Week should be renamed English Month. It was held yet again in the middle of term 2 and it lasted much longer than a week. All activities during English Week were well received by both staff and students. Year 7 students saw a highly entertaining play called Mates; Year 8 watched a wonderful production of Sadako and the Thousand Paper Cranes at the Riverside Theatre in the Seymore Centre; Year 9 experienced a show that combined Australian poetry and popular music titled Hot Pies and Potato Crisps; Year 10 watched a hilarious mixture of Shakespearean plays; and Year 11 were enthralled by the creative comic poet Steven Herrick, who was not only highly amusing, but his performance of his poetry was truly inspiration. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the parents for supporting the school in widening our students' perceptions of the world.

Congratulations to students who were recognised for being ranked first in their courses at the end of the school year. These students accumulated the most marks in the assessment tasks and they were be recognised during the presentation nights held during 2012. In Year 7, Benjamin Nguyen was ranked first in the course. In Year 8 it was Adam Yoon, in Year 9 it was Constanti Panayioti and in Year 10 it was Paul Habashy. In Year 11, the top Standard English student was Steven Luo, in the Advanced course it was Nayan Bhathela and in the Extension course it was Scott Worthington. In Year 12, the top Standard student was Vishal Kiritharan, two students were equal first in the Advanced course - Frank Day and Cameron Kopecny, and in the Extension 1 course Frank Day was the best student, whilst Aleks Wynne took out the Extension 2 prize. In the Year 12 Drama course it was Daniel Parkee who was recognised as first in the course. Congratulations to the award winners, and indeed, to all students, for their hard work and dedication in 2012.

I would like to thank all members of the English and the ESL staff for their commitment to their work and for continuing to demand the highest of standards from every student. I thank each and every one of them for their continued patience and for their professionalism. I feel very privileged to lead such a professional, enthusiastic and hard-working group of teachers.

Cheiban Elaro English Head of Department

PREMIER'S STUDENT VOLUNTEERING

Amongst our large student body, a small group of students have quietly carried out a range of activities which not only helped the community but help in their own character development. These students are part of the Premier's Student Volunteers Award.

Opal Awards

The year started off with Mr Jurd and me being invited to partake in the presentation of the Opal Awards at Bankstown Sports Club for students who had carried out 150 hours of Volunteering work in this Region. It was an honour for our two recipients, Leonardo Pane and Edwin Guo to be asked to chair this prestigious ceremony. Predominantly, both boys had carried out numerous duties with the St John's Ambulance and reached the status of being Corporals.

A range of activities!

The majority of students involved with this scheme began with being peer tutor for Ms Edwards' group. Apart from this, some became assistant coaches in their sport and technology tutors both at school as well Strathfield Library where they assisted the Seniors Group with their computers. The ten students who helped out at Strathfield Park with the Spring Festival had a lot of fun. At least two students helped out at the church/temple with organising and carrying out instructional programs. A small group went out to Greenhills Early Learning Centre at least twice to carry out activities they had organised themselves. Ms Anton, along with the boys, had a wonderful time! We are eagerly awaiting the Handball competition due to start after the year ten exams. Thanks to Mr Goodwin for donating 4 tickets to the winning team!

Breakfast Club

A huge thank you to the management of Homebush Foodworks and Homebush Fruit Bowl for generously donating food supplies for our inaugural breakfast Club on 9th October. Vidhushan Paheerathan and Vincent Pike spent numerous hours drafting letters and approaching local businesses for donations so that we could start our weekly Breakfast Club. We had more than 20 students take advantage of this program. We hope to continue this activity on a regular basis.

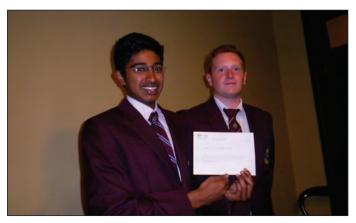
I sincerely appeal to all boys to take an active part in this rewarding scheme. If you are in Year 9 this year, make sure you continue to log in your volunteer hours so that they can be validated. It is important to show how considerate you are no matter what your academic standard is.

We are eagerly awaiting the arrival of this year's awards and look forward to a fabulous morning tea to acknowledge our troopers and their parents.

Ms Sahay and Ms Anton PSVA Coordinators.



Boys interacting with children from Greenfield Childcare Centre



Vidhushan and Vincent Pike accepting the \$900 cheque from Strathfield Council.



Ms Sahay establishing contacts for future Volunteering ventures.



Public Speaking

HISTORY

"That which has happened is a warning. To forget it is guilt. It must be continually remembered..."

Reflections on the importance of history by philosopher Karl Jaspers

As Australia has moved towards the formulation of a national curriculum over the past few years there has been considerable debate over the importance of historical understanding amongst school students. Politicians, academics and media agencies have all expressed opinions on the type of history that should be taught within Australian classrooms. From these disputes one fact becomes clear; History is important. It is important to have an understanding of the past, in order to have an opinion in the present and to play a part, however small, in shaping the future. The history faculty at Homebush Boys High School agrees with Karl Jaspers – history is important and that which has happened must be "continually remembered".

The history staff at our school work hard to actively engage the interest of students with a range of experiences, in and out of the classroom. History's importance lies in its ability to allow for the development of an understanding of self in relation to time, in the formation of personal values and in the development of empathy towards others.

Results in Modern and Ancient History from the 2011 HSC were very pleasing. Ancient History results were impressive as usual. 19 of the 37 candidates achieved band 5 or 6 results. Loukas Koungoulos is to be congratulated for his outstanding mark of 97%. Commendable Band 6 results were also attained by: David Brimfield, Peter Brimfield, Brandon Lam and Joel Todd. Modern History results were also very good. Four students attained band 6 results: Youssef Latash, David Brimfield, Peter Brimfield and Joel Todd. Of the 46 candidates in Modern History, 22 attained band 5 or 6 results. The faculty was pleased to observe within the data that some students who were having difficulties in Modern and Ancient History in the Preliminary course demonstrated a considerable improvement by the end of year 12. Results in History Extension were very encouraging with all six candidates attaining band E3 or E4 grades (Band E4 is the highest band) in this challenging course. Youssef Latash is to be commended for his outstanding result of 46/50.

These results in Ancient History, Modern History and History Extension are the culmination of excellence in teaching and scholarship displayed by all senior history teachers within the faculty, who have dedicated many hours in the classroom and in additional lessons during school holidays. The faculty's tradition of attaining very good results in the School Certificate continued into 2011. This was the final year for the School Certificate, so it was very pleasing to note that 68% of students received band 4, 5 or 6 grades compared to a statewide proportion of 57%. We are hoping that the HSC history students of 2012 will continue this solid academic tradition.

For the first time in a few years HBHS entered sixty boys from Years 8 and 10 into the Australian Schools History Competition. Results were excellent, including 6 high distinctions, 5 distinctions, 19 credits and 12 merits. The following students are congratulated for attaining High distinction or distinction: Dominic Yates, Nicholas Jorgensen, Johnny Quian, Samuel Mansfield, Henry Prentice, Martin Perkins, Mashrur Shan, Nathaniel Lea, Dilawar Gill, James Koungoulos and Zubin Jacob.

Students have had the opportunity to be involved in many and varied activities in 2012. Year 7 enjoyed James Adams' ancient history show and Year 8 participated in his medieval program. 7C visited the Police and Justice Museum. Year 9 was the enthusiastic audience for a drama production, Killin' the Kaiser on World War I. Year 10 visited the Rookwood Necropolis as their site study. Year 10 also attended a drama on Australia and the Vietnam War entitled Dusted Off, which is an autobiographical work performed by Brett Hunt, the son of Frank Hunt who was immortalised in the Redgum song as "Frankie [who] kicked a landmine the day that mankind kicked the moon". Senior students in Modern and Ancient history attended HSC Study days at Sydney and Macquarie Universities and History Extension students visited Fisher Library to collect source material for their major projects. Our Year 10 History Debating Team performed very well, unfortunately we were not able to defeat Fort Street High School to proceed into the second round.

Our faculty sadly bid farewell to Miss. Tsouloukidis earlier in the year. She is a remarkable teacher who has left a lasting legacy with all of the students and staff with which she came in contact. We have welcomed Ms. Budanovic as a colleague with a passion for history and extensive experience as a Modern History, Ancient History and History Extension teacher. At the end of 2012 Ms Caramancion went on maternity leave – we wish her all the best at this exciting time for her whole family. A familiar face will be replacing Ms. Caramancion whilst on leave, Mr. Doenau. We also welcome the return of Ms. Yong to history; she will be teaching Ancient History in 2013.

Ms. Carrasco, Mrs. Degney, Mr. Koff, Ms. McGuinness, Ms. Porteous and Mrs. Symonds have continued as outstanding contributors within the faculty and in a range of wholeschool activities. The history faculty believes that our subject is important in developing a young man for informed citizenship, however, it is equally important to care for the welfare of students. The unofficial, yet oft repeated, faculty motto has become "history ...we care and share".

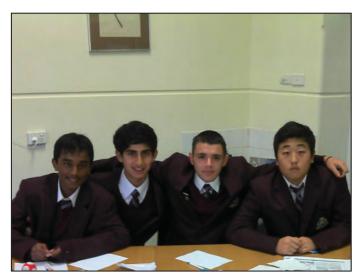
The faculty is looking forward to another successful year in 2013. We are very pleased that history courses are continuing to be popular amongst the boys at Homebush. There will be three classes of Modern History and two classes of Ancient History in Year 11 and in Year 12 alike, as well as a sizeable History Extension class. Classes of History Elective in Years 9 and 10 are also well-represented.

It will be an interesting and challenging year for History teachers across the state, as we plan, program and design assessments for the new National Curriculum in history for Years 7 to 10. The National Curriculum will be implemented in 2014 for Years 7 and 9 and 2015 for Years 8 and 10.

Peter Wilson Head Teacher History



History Extension students wedged into small hatchback, en route to Sydney University



Year 10 History Debaters at Fort Street High



Killin' the Kaiser drama incursion



Indigenous performance for NAIDOC week



Medieval Show



James Adams' Medieval Show



Year 9 History Elective in the Dock at the Police and Justice Museum, Dec. 2011

LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH Lote

A YEAR OF CHANGE & NEW BEGINNINGS.

The Languages Other Than English faculty started off 2012 with some old and some new faces. Ms Lay returned from maternity leave on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, after having spent the last 12 months with bubbly and very energetic baby Nicholas. We were extremely pleased to have Ms Su continuing in her successful role as Stage 6 Chinese Co-ordinator on a full time basis. As always, the LOTE faculty was fortunate to have the professionalism & knowledge of Mrs Gilchrist (Italian Language co-ordinator) and Mrs Gabor (French Language co-ordinator). Mrs Gabor, although housed in the LOTE Faculty staffroom, is also a member of the English faculty. Mrs Gilchrist continued to look after Saturday & Open High School students plus Distance Education students.

2012 marked the beginning of Korean language studies at Homebush Boys High School. The NSW Curriculum and Learning Innovation Centre of the Department of Education and Communities and the Korean Education Centre highlighted Korean as a language of growing importance in NSW. We were fortunate to have Ms Yu teaching and co-ordinating Year 9 & Year 11 Korean at HBHS, on Mondays and Fridays only.

Another change, although not a new face, in the LOTE faculty was me, Mrs Shadwick. I was given the pleasurable task of supervising the LOTE Faculty and as such Head of Languages at HBHS. As well as my Head of Administration duties, many boys had the pleasure of seeing me as part of any issues pertaining to their Language classes.

Languages studied at HBHS

Year 7 students experienced a "taster course" of Chinese, Italian and French in 2012. Year 8 students studied Chinese, Italian or French for Year 8 depending on the language they chose at the end of Year 7. We had 3 classes in Year 9 – Chinese, Korean and Italian, with Italian continuing through in Year 10. Year 11 Korean & Chinese classes were running, and in Year 12 – a Chinese and Italian class faced the challenges of the HSC. For the very first time at HBHS, we had a Year 12 student undertaking the Chinese Heritage Course. Good luck William Wu!

HSC Results 2011

There was definitely a marked improvement in the 2011 Chinese HSC results. The students did well to overcome the pressures of the HSC to achieve at a level compatible with their other subjects. Congratulations to all students and Ms Su for all her efforts with "The Class of 2011".

<u>www.edmodo.com</u> On-Line, Interactive, EDMODO studies.

2012 will be forever recorded as the inaugural year LOTE studies embraced EDMODO-- a Facebook type ICT initiative at Homebush Boys High School. This was used as a communication forum, as a place to view all classwork and homework and to log onto to complete classwork and quizzes. Also, a social learning network for teachers, students and parents. Mrs Gilchrist, Ms Su and Ms Yu enjoyed using this "wall" type system, to post classwork, homework tasks, notes and to alert students of links to curriculum material, assessment notifications and certain files that may be useful reading, listening or reflective material. Students reported an increased level of class enjoyment, an increased accessibility of classwork and improved levels of engagement. Does all this mean the teacher was obsolete in the classroom? Definitely NOT! Students in Stage 5 & 6 LOTE Courses were encouraged to use EDMODO to complete class work, reply & discuss issues pertaining to course materials and even turn in digital assignments. So parents-please be aware that your son may have been doing his LOTE homework if you saw him constantly in front of his computer. All students also signed a contract asking them to abide by the Faculty's policy on EDMODO and certain security risks associated with this social communication forum. EDMODO's biggest appeal is that all students remain informed of course work, even if they are absent or on extended leave. No longer is there an issue of not been aware!

HEAD TEACHER LOTE AWARD

Positive Reinforcement for LOTE students.

Name of Student

The LOTE faculty awarded HT LOTE Awards to students who achieved excellence in their Language classes. These laminated certificates were presented to students at Year Assemblies. Congratulations to the following students who have gained their first certificate. Three (3) certificates and the student will receive a special award at Presentation Evening in December.

Term 1 2012.

Class

Date

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Sung Woo Kim	11 Korean	1/9/12
Dong Hyeon Kim	11 Korean	1/9/12
Alex Park	11 Korean	1/9/12
Edmond Kim	9 Korean	1/9/12
Sam Yeom	9 Korean	1/9/12
David Kim	9 Korean	1/9/12
Simon Choi	9 Korean	1/9/12
Kevin (Youngwoo) Kim	9 Korean	1/9/12

At the time of writing, the following students also qualified for HT LOTE awards in Term 3, 2012.

Sung Woo Kim, Dong Hyeon Kim, Alex Park (Year 11 Korean) and Edmond Kim, Sam Yeom, David Kim, Simon Choi and Kevin (Youngwoo) Kim (Year 9 Korean).

Also congratulations to the following Year 8 Chinese students-Justin Trinh, Tony Mei, Muhammed Durkaya, Patrick Ho, Wai Mun Matthew Loke, Dafa Liu and the following Year 9 Chinese students- Garry Zhang, Jiazheng Cao who received HT LOTE Awards at Year assemblies.

Year 7 Italian students worked really well and Ms Lay was extremely pleased with their efforts. Congrarulations to the following students who reached the HT LOTE Award level for their commitment, effort and excellent results in class and assessments- Andre J Lee, Sree Sista, Jayanth Kumaralingham, Utithkowthan Singarayar, Blake Neilsen, Talha Khan ,Joseph Shankar, Alex Wale, Ankit Nuepane, Clay Talbot, Kendyll Vati, Song Lin, Aaron Lam-Nguyen, Jeong Sik Daniel Kim, Vares Kannathasan, Menan Kannathasan, Hua Qian Zheng, Richard Taiga Yang, Ji Hyun Kong, Jason Xiao, Steve Zhongyuan Yu, Ngaori Maeve-Manapori, Ginthuyan Raveendran, Nicholas Knezevic, Wassim Outour, Ronak Nagesh and Ahmad Khalili.

A European Breakfast.

Who said Languges was boring? Which other subject offers you a traditional breakfast served with only items from an Italian menu?

Stage 5 boys experienced the true meaning of an Italian breakfast in Term 3. Room 34 was a happening place! Yum!!!! And as always, where there is food, there is a happy bunch of young men!

BELOW: Phillip Raneri (Y10 Italian) at the espresso macchine





Year 9 Chinese students visit the University of New South Wales

On Wednesday 5th September, Year 9 Chinese students went on an excursion to the University of New South Wales. Together with their teacher Ms Su, the boys had the opportunity of participating in workshops promoting the study of Asian languages and the teaching of Asian languages around the world. The Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences hosted the event and HBHS was extremely thrilled to be invited to attend.

Students from Concord High School, North Sydney Girls High School, Beverley Hills Girls High School and other government schools attended seminars focussing on establishing heritage backgrounds and "going back to family roots". Culture and experiences were addressed in an interactive guiz. Our Year 9 Chinese students were given the opportunity to focus on their background, their parent's background and understand the assimilation process all Asian students experience in a high school structure. One of the presenters was Andrew Li, a Commerce/Law student from UNSW, who is all too familiar with the pressures Chinese students experience at school, as well as the parental expectations placed on these students. The workshops were all country specific and allowed students from Japanese, Korean, and Indonesian backgrounds to share ideas about life in Australia and NSW high schools. After morning tea, the students were addressed by Dr Yong Zhong who has extensive experience in the field of boys' education and with a Chinese background was the perfect role model of a successful Doctor of Psychology. The theme was very clear- work hard, study hard and you will succeed. Australia is a land of opportunities-grab them! The themes tied in beautifully with our units of work on Culture, Family and Life as a student.

Ms Su was very pleased with the participation and behaviour of HBHS. As she said, "The boys were thrilled to be amongst the presence of girls and found the whole day a worthwhile learning & sharing experience. The free morning tea & lunch was also an added attraction."

Finally, the following tenets remained in the heart of all dealings in LOTE classrooms in 2012.

- •Come prepared for every lesson. Make sure you are punctual, have all resources and have completed all necessary homework tasks.
- •Participate in all language classes. Italian, French, Chinese or Korean classes are not for spectators only.
- •Make sure you are using your DIARY to record homework, incomplete class work, assessment tasks, projects and any other reminders
- •Abide by the LOTE Faculty classroom rules
- •Abide by the HBHS Student Code of Conduct and
- •Respect the learning in all classes.

2012 was certainly happy and productive, a year full change, new beginnings and of growth for our LOTE students. Growth both physically but also mentally as they came, and immersed themselves in the culture, the spoken and written language and the traditions of Chinese, Italian, French or Korean language. Even I increased my vocabulary with a few new words.

Nǐ hǎo, An nyoun, Bonjour, Ciao.......l believe saying hello to someone at least shows that you "may" be familiar with speaking their language. Lol!

I am excited about the new directions in LOTE and eager to see what 2013 brings! I would like to take this opportunity to thank my very hardworking staff- Mrs Gabor, Mrs Gilchrist, Ms Yu, Ms Su ,Ms Lay and our regular casual staff- Mrs Leghorn, Mrs Scerri. Mrs Paraschos and Mrs Zammitt for all their consistent efforts and for contributing to the happy & joyful tone in the staffroom. To the LOTE students- I hope you came with an open mind, participated and walked away enriched by the teachings.

Mrs Matina Shadwick Head of Languages



Mrs Gilchrist's Italian class enjoy a 'continental' breakfast



Ms Yu with Year 11 Korean students



Ms Su with William Wu- our first Chinese Heritage student.



Ms Yu & Ms Su



Mrs Gabor & Mrs Gilchrist



Ms Lay



Ms Su with Year 12 Chinese background Speakers



Year 10 Italian students, Angus, Liam and Franky tuck into breakfast











Mrs Gilchrist's Year 9 student, Lewis Meucci-Bucknall did an assignment on 'Bars* in Italy' while he was in Tuscany during Term 3 (*coffee shops)

MRS SHADWICK'S TRIP TO CHINA

During the first week of the September holidays, I participated in a 5 day conference and training program in Beijing, China. The workshop was fully sponsored by the Hanban Confucius Institute in China and was offered to all non-Mandarin speaking executives in Australia and New Zealand. Coming from a Greek speaking background and with limited Mandarin speaking skills, I fitted the category perfectly.

Imagine my excitement when I landed in Beijing on the 23rd September, with 138 other people, all eager to learn a bit of Chinese and ready to see the sites! Tiananmen Square, the Great Wall (1 climbed 600 steps!), Forbidden City, Silk markets, Beijing Opera, Olympic 2008 Stadiums.......all in 5 days and between workshops aimed at introducing me to Chinese resources that are used around the world. The restaurants were amazing (Peking Duck would definitely rate as my favourite!), the people were very friendly (despite their limited English), and the scenery was breathtaking and a lifetime experience. Sitting at the highest possible fortress on the Great Wall, I took only a moment to understand why The Great Wall is one of the Seven Wonders of The World. The question still remains - Did I learn to speak Chinese? The answer is simple- not on this trip anyway!



Chinese calligraphy



Donated by the NSW Dept of Education to the Beijing Museum



Forbidden City- many temples!



Forbidden City



Mrs Shadwick and a traditional celebratory Drum



Tianamen Square













ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

This year has been a very rewarding one, with ESL students continuing to surprise us with their hard work and dedication. It has been a successful year as well, as the ESL department has worked with colleagues and students across the school to improve language skills.

We were delighted with the efforts of all of our students, especially those who sat for the HSC. Five of our HSC cohort of 41 scored a Band 6 and overall the results indicate that we are well above the state average in Bands 5 and 6.

I am especially grateful for the collegiality and professionalism shown by the Head Teacher of English, Mr Elaro and his wonderful staff. They graciously share their classes so ESL students can get the extra support they need to develop language.

ESL teachers continue to update and develop their skills as well. This year Ms Meucci worked with her Distance Education students on the videoconference, gaining valuable skills that are utilised here at school as well. Moodle is now being used much more often as a result.

Ms Horiatopoulos has worked with Ms Meucci on the videoconference and Moodle, and has become a skilled practitioner of the use of technology to enhance teaching and learning. She was seconded for one day a week in Term 4 to assist the Open High School with their curriculum. She has done a magnificent job as Prefect Adviser and Drum Corps leader.

Ms Lacek continues to promote wide reading amongst our Year 7 cohort. The students regularly beat a path to our door to receive well-deserved bronze awards. Students have learnt that Ms Lacek is not to be trifled with, but they know that she will always reward students for excellence in attitude and application. If at first they don't make it, they are encouraged to try again.

Ms Altundag has worked alongside Ms Kumaralingam to guide the Student Representative Council and to deliver TELL sessions to our group of teachers here at school who are going to lead the push to achieve improved results in reading and writing. (*Teaching English to Language Learners*) Ms Altundag has helped out in several whole-school

initiatives as well this year. She is to be congratulated on the roaring success of the White Ribbon Day Sausage Sizzle fund-raiser. She was in charge of the organisation on the day and expressed gratitude to her colleagues for their hard work as well. The 2013 student leaders conducted themselves in an exemplary manner and demonstrated exceptional leadership. The day was the second fund-raiser in two weeks and the whole school responded to gather an impressive amount for charity.

Ms Kumaralingam wears many hats. She is the Intensive English Centre co-ordinator, the SRC Adviser, TELL co-ordinator with Ms Altundag and she organises the Blood Bank deposits as well. She has a special interest in ethics education and was a founder of our Tough Guise program, where Year 7 students are taught social skills and ethical behaviour.

I would also like to thank our two Language and Support teachers (LASTs), Mrs Judith Edwards and Ms Merrill Sells who have done a marvellous job with Disability Provisions organisation, Life Skills organisation, before and after school support classes, Integration Support organisation and much, much more.

We have a group of School Learning Support Officers (SLSOs) who work to prepare our supported students for life after school in the knowledge they can be active, fulfilled members of society. Some of these students have exceeded our expectations - high though they were. It is so rewarding for us all to see these students go on stage to receive their portfolio with their mates, beaming proudly in the knowledge that they have done well. Thank you Mrs Avery, Mrs Churchill, Mrs Michaels and Mrs Talarico!

This year we have relied on the work of our ESL relief teachers. Ms McLean, Ms Acosta, Ms Nabben have made it possible for us to maintain our program of support when we were unable to be in class.

My gratitude goes to our senior executive and to all staff members who work to ensure there is equity for each and every student. Your efforts are truly appreciated.

Kerry Meucci Head Teacher Learning Support and ESL



Ms Kumaralingam and Ms Horiatopoulos enjoy a laugh at the Year 12 Farewell.



Mrs Edwards' beloved fish tank has found a new life.



Mrs McLean and our Year 7 ESL group in the foreground at a Year 7 assembly.

LEARNING SUPPORT

WELCOME TO MS SELLS

Homebush Boys High School is pleased to welcome Ms M. Sells to the Learning Support Team. Ms Sells was previously working as an Itinerate Support Teacher Integration, helping schools assist students with a disability. This position required her to visit over forty schools in the Strathfield and Granville area, with over 200 students in her workload. Ms Sells' expertise in the area of disability and her skills in working with students, teachers and parents will be a great asset to HBHS. Welcome to your new home!



Ms Sells



Mrs Edwards

WONDERFUL SLSO'S

HBHS would like to thank the ladies who engage in so much face-to-face work with our students, our SLSOs. These tireless helpers, (in alphabetical order) Mrs Louise Avery, Mrs Robyn Churchill, Mrs Vilma Michaels and Mrs Mary Talarico, work beside our classroom teachers to help our students achieve their best. Whether in class, working with an individual in the library or helping supervise a student on work experience, these women help make the impossible possible! Our school thanks you!



Tutors and students enjoy pizza



Emmanuel strives for the best result



Peer tutors



Mr Pisani celebrates roll call successes!

PEER TUTORING ROLL CALL

Students and teachers who had been involved with peer tutoring rolls 32 and 35 had a pizza party to celebrate their successes. These hard working people enjoyed soft drink, chips and a slice while they shared stories about their roll call duties.

STUDENTS HELPING STUDENTS

If you happen by room 32 before or after school, you might see something unusual; students holding stop watches following in a text while other students read at break-neck speed! This is HBHS amazing Out of Hours Literacy Program. Students from any year who wish to improve their grammar, vocabulary, phonics skills or reading speed have received their parents' permission to sign up for this unique program. Each pupil has a folder of tasks based on their own needs.

The tutors come from years 9 to 12. They are trained in the effective MULTI-LIT Tutoring Program along with other materials used to help their pupils' progress. The tutors gain as much as their students while helping them figure out difficult vocabulary words, modelling good reading skills or improving their grammar. The older boys develop patience, compassion and leadership skills that will carry over into their adult working lives.

Volunteering for community service is a real Homebush tradition, and these older students are not alone in their commitment. Several teachers from different subject areas also give their time to assist students.

Our school is also grateful for the students in peer tutoring roll calls 32 and 35. They are also MULTILIT trained tutors who have seen great progress in their students in 2012. These roll calls will particularly miss the help of their year 12 tutors:, James Ren, Fahim Takbir, William Wu, Xiao Jiang, Jonathan Cao, Pratik Kar and Matieen Smith. Thank you, men, for helping your school community!

Mrs. J Edwards



MATHEMATICS

We have come to the end of another hectic year at Homebush for both the students and staff. The faculty welcomed the arrival of Mrs Crosby as the replacement for Mrs Rizos who had retired at the end of 2011. Many thanks must go to Mrs Lakshmipathy and Mr Ian Wilson for assisting the faculty throughout the year.

The "Maths Clinic" has proved to be quite a success with a healthy number of students regularly taking the opportunity to obtain extra help solving their mathematical problems. Ms Gobel and Mr Halkidis give up their lunch times to provide this assistance. It is hoped that even more students avail themselves of this free opportunity.

On August the 10th, a group of year 10 students accompanied by Mrs Jaspreet Kaur participated in the "Mathematics in Surveying" day held at Bicentennial Park. The main focus of this annual excursion is to expose students to the tasks and tools involved in surveying. All the boys found this day quite enjoyable.

Our students continue to set the lead in mathematics in the numeracy section of the NAPLAN test. Our results place us well above the region and state results. It is even more pleasing to see that our teaching programs greatly improve students' results from year 7 to year 9. The added value component is quite evident even in the top groups where improvement is usually quite marginal.

The school was also quite fortunate to be involved in a program with one of the regional Mathematics Consultant, Ms Donna-Lee Duval. Ms Duval worked with some of our students, assisting teachers with ideas and resources to motivate students within the class. The staff and the students found this to be a worthwhile experience.

The faculty has also started to prepare for the introduction of new Mathematics courses in the next two years. The new Stage 6 General courses will begin in 2013. Next year will see all General students studying the same common course in the Preliminary year while the HSC year will see the introduction of two new courses, General I and General II. The new junior Australian Curriculum will be introduced in 2014. The Mathematics staff is preparing to meet the challenges of delivering these new courses.

The mathematics students in our school continue to perform very well in the State wide examinations. This was the first year without a School Certificate test. Our HSC results for 2011 continue to show the positive trend begun a few years ago. Overall our results were above or close to state averages and it is pleasing to note that the number of General students continues to grow, while the Extension 2 numbers remain steady but quite high considering we are not a selective school.

I wish to thank all members of the faculty for their hard work and cooperation throughout the year. It is not easy to manage a large faculty but the staff works harmoniously and is always willing to assist in any way possible.

G. Carrozza Head Teacher Mathematics

MATHEMATICS COMPETITIONS

Students at Homebush Boys continue to participate in many mathematical competitions and enjoy great success in these. The high participation in mathematics competitions reflects the positive attitude most of our students have towards mathematics. Students like to be challenged and enjoy the thrill of success.

The Australian Mathematics Competition

The Australian Mathematics Competition, the largest mathematics competition in the world, was held in early August and over 500 of our students participated in this event. It was disappointing that this year's competition date again fell in the middle of our year 12 exams and as a consequence these students were unable to participate. I would like to thank all teachers and students for their cooperation in ensuring that the day ran smoothly. The table below summarises our results.

	Year	Candidates	Prize	High Distinction	Distinction	Credit
Junior	7	102			3	29
	8	76		1	5	24
Inter- medi- ate	9	111			12	46
	10	114			7	43
Senior	11	67			13	26
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Ty Choe Yr 8 High Distinction

The following students (in order of merit) need a special mention as they were recognised as the top students in our school:

Year 7: Edwin Li, Jinhyung Lee, Jeff Chen

Year 8: Ty Choe, Anthony Wu, Dinesh Sritharan

Year 9: Seungyo Yeom, Edward Ye, Jiazheng Cao, Lalith Vudata, Matthew Oian

Year 10: Andrew Chau, Janarthan Kumarakuruparan, Rafid Sarker Year 11: Shuaike Zhang, Daniel Lee, Akshay Singh, Anthony Ye, Keshavan Manokaran The students below received merit certificates. The names appear in order of merit.

Year 7

Distinction: Edwin Li, Jinhyung Lee, Jeff Chen Credit: Rajat Lal, Denis Mulya, Andy Wu, Sumon Majumder, Jacob-Jun-Aek Oh, Gabriel Prosser, Matthew Wong, Peter Koungoulos Anthony De Pasquale, Hudson, Arjav Malla, Ganeshan Manoharan, Jafar Sartawy, Madhav Sunderram, Andy Tang, Divik Nigam, Nicholas Burns, Benjamin Nguyen, Jackson Coleman, Pradyumna Vedantam, John Bilsel, Hudson Perry, Kabiram Thevanesan Kathirkanth, Yusuf Ali, David Chen, Daniel Choi, Sam Kim, Walid Bahbah, Mohamad Farrpukh, Jeremy Lopes

Year 8

High Distinction: Ty Choe

Distinction: Anthony Wu, Dinesh Sritharan, Jeremy Sum, Nicholas Jorgensen, Jun Beom Park

Credit: Tony Mei, Jonathan Shaw, Jathusanan Yogesan, Kaya Bremner, Adam Yoon, Sangwoung Yoon, Chao Wan, Khan Milligan, Vincent Ngyuen, Zheng Sun, Yeonseo Choi, Seong-Gwan Kim, Pirannavan Kumaralingham, Oshi Barkat, Marcus Boroczky, Matthew Ho, Junyong Lee, Yifei Zhao, Eric Deng, Chris Lee, Johnny Qian, Harley Zheng, Kevin Kadamani, Daniel Wan

Year 9

Distinction: Edward Ye, Seungyo Yeom, Jiazheng Cao, Matthew Qian, Lalith Vudata, Adam Saker, Diyao Chen, Panayioti Constanti, Bain Zhang, Liam McLachlan, Elton Cheng, Eric Son Trinh Credit: Mahardhika Hidayatullah, Chul Woo John Park, Seongwon Yeom, Jianyi Zhou, Ramtin Momen, Daniel Yuan, Kevin Kim, Luckshun Selvarajah, Akhilesh Dhanekula, Hyungbin Ju, Allan Lai, Freeman Lin, David Su, Shashank Sasha Srikanth, Krish Kumar, Sonshin Yong, Yeun Su Kim, Shankaran Kiritharan, Daniel Lopes, Richard Nghiem, William Phan, Richard Tran, Victor Ding, Jason Mulya, Tianshu Bai, Momin Khan, Jonathan Wong-See, Sean Baek, Simon Cho, Jonghyeon Choi, Paul Kim, Keshavan Kiritharan, Daniel Jesuthasan, Deon Lin, David Sun, Dhrushil Brahmbhatt, Srinivas Byreddy, Nivedh Dwaraknath, Craig Miller, Vipullan Puvanendran, Joshua Shanthikumar, Vincent Chung, Jacob Efendi, Igor Gainulin, Vince Lam, Tarek Zraika

Year 10

Distinction: Andrew Chau, Janarthan Kumarakuruparan, Rafid Sarker, Jovan Tanu, Ryan Cuthel, Jona Gao, Muyun Zou Credit: Sultanul Arfeen, Sunghoon Kim, Qi Yi, Andy Chen, Francis Shin, Scott Choi, Jordan Lin, Vidhushan Paheerathan, Mashrur Shan, Isaac Zhong, Vincent Christy, Danny Lee, Hongyi Harley Su, Jai Tamta, Siu Wai Sham, Chris Ko, Nathan Nguyen, William Nguyen, Rafid Noor, Henry Prentice, Adithya Sriram, Tao Wei, Paul Habashy, Dillon Halder, Ajith Iyappakumar, Finian Leung, Santosh Sapkota, Zhiyuan Ian Zhou, Kayin Chan, Murtaza Kanpurwala, Anthony Ming, Jimmy Gao, Anuraj Talati, Arjunasingam Abayasingam, Nicholas Everitt, John Heo, Seong Kyeong Yeom, Alex He, Tony Lee, Dilawar Gill, David Woo, Michael Choe, Gobickishan Parthibhan

Year 11

Distinction: Shuaike Zhang, Daniel Lee, Anthony He, Keshavan Manokaran, Akshay Singh, Burney Wong, Galen Feng, Adrian Tang, Rouein Momen, Jiee Yang, Edwin Guo, Athi Thirunanthakumar, Michael Xu

Credit: Leonardo Pane, Nirushian Parthibhan, Bavithran Indrakumar, Steven Lee, Edmond Vuong, Edmond Dien, Nayan Bhathela, Zaheer Ebrahim, Cheng Huang, Matthew Yu, Brian Lee, Donghyun Lee, Harsharndeep Singh, Ahmed Mahmood, Kai Ng, Jiekeng Pan, Hardikkumar Patel, Niruban Sivendra, Ibrahem Al-Atyyia, Koray Cetindag, Jinwoo Park, Kiieren Sritharan, Cheng Zheng, Steven Luo, Dylan Kang, Henry Tran

All the students who participated in this event need to be congratulated on their effort and the way they conducted themselves during the competition.

FOR AUSTRALIANS

The Mathematics Challenge for Young Australians targets the top 15 per cent of primary students in Years 5 and 6, and secondary students in Years 7 to 10. The Mathematics Challenge Stage (held during a 3 week period in Term I or II) comprises six problems for the secondary school students. Students take these questions home and are required to present written solutions to as many of these problems as they can.

The problems are challenging and require time and persistence, but are based on mathematics which should be known at that level. All but two of the problems are to be attempted individually while the other two problems can be discussed in pairs before individual submission of solutions.

This year, 38 students from the junior secondary years attempted this prestigious Mathematics Challenge (organised by the Australian Mathematical Olympiad Committee and the University of Canberra). Congratulations to all the participants and thanks go to the Excellence Fund for the generous assistance. Mr Sivasothy needs to be congratulated on the time he spends coordinating this activity. The results are summarised below:

Distinction: Mayun Zou, Jan Zhou, Fawaz Mahfouz, Krishnath Maharasa

Credit: Harri Jani, Kevin Kadamani, Sultanul Arfeen, Srinivas Breddy, Andrew Breddy, Praveen Jarasu, Murtaz Kanpurwala, Gobickishan Parthibhan

As can be seen, our students show talent in mathematics and excel in activities beyond those encountered within the classroom.



A group of very focused young Maths students



Ms Kaur waits for the copier

Mathematics in Surveying Excursion

Have you ever wondered how early mathematicians calculated the radius of the Earth, in a time when satellites and probes were not yet launched?

On the 10th of August, a group of year 10 boys from our school were granted the opportunity to attend an excursion to Bicentennial Park. Along with our school, students from eight other schools were present. During the excursion, our boys were given the chance to take part in various mathematical activities, one of which involved measuring the radius of the Earth.

The main focus of the excursion was to promote and encourage students to step into the field of surveying. Hence, throughout the excursion our students worked with volunteer surveyors who encouraged us to use various tools and instruments from the past and present days.

Many primitive tools, which were used for surveying, were exhibited, including the calculator, the theodolite, chains and links. Imagine winding the lever of your car window. Entering a simple arithmetic question into one of the calculator was equivalent to winding open a car window. It seemed simpler to use pen and paper than the calculator. Other instruments and devices used in surveying were also on display, including laser scanners, various compasses and incredible software.

Students took part in various activities and at the end of the day were each presented with bags, filled with valuable items. Students who had feverishly completed their booklets were startled to hear that it was optional. It was an entertaining, informative and unforgettable experience.

Thanks to Ms K. Kaur and Mr Carrozza for organising and conducting such a wonderful excursion. We all enjoyed it.

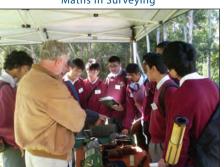
Adithya Sriram Year 10



Lunchtime Maths Clinic



Maths in Surveying



Surveying instruments











The school was also quite for tunate to be in volved in a pr ogram with one of the r egional Mathematics C onsultant, Ms D onna-Lee Duval who w orked with some of our students , assisting teachers with ideas and r esources to motiv ate students within the class



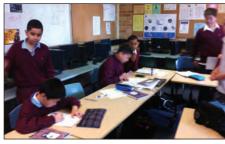
Maths at work



Surveying - 'Yes I can see it.'



Year 9 Maths







PDHPE

Congratulations to our students on a fantastic year.

The faculty has seen the continuing development of Sports Fitness and Recreation as a VET (TAFE) subject to give further value to learning at HBHS. We have delivered 7-10 PDHPE courses, combined with the elective of Physical Activity and Sports Studies (PASS) for years 9 and 10. These have continued to be popular and carried on engaging and challenging our students. Our Stage 6 PDHPE courses have also held large numbers and extended students beyond stage 5 PDHPE. Year 11 Sport, Lifestyle and Recreation has undergone further evolution this year-giving students a credible option as a one unit subject.

The Sports, Fitness and Recreation subject has given our year 11 and 12 students the opportunity to develop knowledge and skills that can be used in the sporting, fitness or recreation industry. The course is a credited VET course, with the students acquiring a Certificate II that can be used for future employment. They examine and participate in units including Rugby League coaching, Athletics, First Aid, technology development and gymnastic fundamentals. This not only gives the student's skills and knowledge in these areas, the accreditation can be used in other VET courses.

Our PASS classes have enjoyed a year of learning about event management, nutrition, professionalism in sport, coaching, Australian sporting identity and basic anatomy. PASS allows the students to explore areas not only in the classroom, but apply themselves practically to the topics.

The SLR cohort have involved themselves heavily in carnival administration; assisting staff in carnivals and undergoing sport investigations. They were involved in peer assessment within a coaching unit and have also undertaken an accredited first aid course. This has given the students further certification for other pursuits.

The PDHPE courses have continued to evolve. We ensure that each course is aligned with the PDHPE syllabus and

the school's priorities. The courses remain topical to the day's events and seek to challenge students in their learning. The faculty has placed a great emphasis on literacy in the courses. Year 7 have focused on basic report writing, year 8 report writing and narratives, year 9 research reports and year 10 have looked at narratives and report writing. Each year is progressively extended through the range of thinking skills and are heavily involved in ICT. The year 9 and 10 cohorts both possessing laptops that have been used in a range of teaching and learning strategies; including Blogs, Forums, presentations (Glogster, PowerPoint, Publisher) and information collation (OneNote, Word).

In the practical domain, we give students the opportunities to explore a variety of sports in the first semester. These include the traditional sports of basketball, football, AFL and cricket. Here they develop the specific skills needed for each sport. Semester 2 sees the students exposed to learning the more general, game play skills essential for effective performance in a range of sports. We use the Game Sense approach (Teaching Games for Understanding) that includes Invasion, Striking and net/court games. By grouping these sports, students can learn skills such as decision making, spatial awareness or strategy and tactical development that are common between the sports in each category. We have explored the concept of motivation within our classes and have trialled various approaches. This has included the use of personal goals for students to achieve within the lesson and has proved successful with all classes involved.

Outside of the curriculum, many programs have been instigated that aim to develop the students holistically. We have continued to use Brainstorm productions who are a touring group that deals with issues pertinent to young people. A stage play is presented for year 7, looking at bullying, year 8 experience a session on verbal harassment and the need for resilience. Year 9 examined cyber safety and year 10 explored the issues surrounding drug use. Year 11 had Glen Gerreyn from the Oxygen Factory, deliver messages around what it means to be a man in today's society. He looked at the rates of illness and disease for males, the behaviours males undertake and the reasons behind this. Glen gives relevant and effective strategies in dealing with

growing up as a male. He asks the students to reflect on their own behaviours and gives them sources of motivation. Glen was not only knowledgeable, but was engaging and thought- provoking.

As in previous years, the faculty has implemented the Jump Rope for Heart program for years 7 students. The students spend several weeks developing their skipping skills and involve themselves in fundraising for the National Heart Foundation. Students learn or further develop the skill of skipping and are significantly involved in physical activity. The awareness of heart disease is highlighted through discussions in practical and theory lessons. Such a program aims to empower our students to be able to make the correct decisions regarding their physical activity levels, thus having an impact on their heart health. Our students raised in excess of \$1700 for the National Heart Foundation. Thank you to Mr Belgre for facilitating this program for 2012.

Year 8 were once again involved in the Premier's Sporting Challenge. This is a simple program where the students record their weekly rate of physical activity. Every 20 minutes gets them further up the scale to achieving a Bronze, Silver, Gold or Diamond award. This motivates the students to be involved in physical activity outside of school and it allows the school to attract new equipment via grants from the government. As a whole, this year cohort of year 8's gained a Gold award. Thanks to Mr D Carrozza for his tireless effort with this initiative.

Our Year 11 group had the opportunity to be the audience at the Road Trauma Youth Forum held at Sydney Olympic Park. The presentation was conceived and implemented by the three emergency services, several hospitals and car insurance groups. A simulated car crash (very few could be called accidents) was played out in front of the students. The scenario was narrated as the emergency services set about removing the young people from the car, dealing with the shock of a death and going through the investigation process, later laying charges. This was a confronting method of delivering the road safety message. Emotive stories were shared with the audience from car crash survivors; including those with permanent physical and mental injuries. A standout of the presentation was the overview of what to look for when getting a new

car. It covered the safety features and emphasised the need to go for safety, rather than a cheap price for young drivers. This experience was invaluable. Anecdotal feedback proved how effective it was in delivering the road safety message. All we need is for our young drivers to retain the information.

A continuing pattern from our students is a decline in physical fitness and a decline in their gross motor skills. As a whole, we have seen a decrease in physical activity levels outside of the school setting, which has resulted in declining aerobic fitness, strength, flexibility and speed. The motor skills of many of our students also appear to be declining. The importance of regular physical activity for our students is paramount. Regular physical activity not only arrests the onset of lifestyle diseases, such as Cardiovascular Disease and Diabetes type 2, it has a profound positive effect on the social and mental well-being of our children. Physical activity has great influence on the mental and social aspects of a person. The positive feelings of confidence and self-satisfaction that are elicited from regular physical activity are significant.

There are a myriad of social benefits resulting from regular physical activity. These range from the obvious interactions that occur when part of a team, club or group, through to the increased involvement in social events due to improved confidence. The peripheral skills gained from physical activity are also immeasurable. Decision making, analysing situations and communication all impact on the functioning of our children. As a health educator, I am encouraging all our students to be involved in regular physical activity outside of the school. Below is a list of clubs and organisations in the Homebush area that could be approached for further information on a variety of physical activities.

Thank you to the PDHPE faculty for 2012. We welcomed back Ms Chapman in 2012 and after the retirement of Ron Tedford, we have gained the expertise of Ms Sharon Cuneen. Mr Daniel Carrozza has acquired a deserved and permanent position on the PDHPE staff. He joins the rest of the strong team in Mr Stephan Madyski (year 9 adviser), Mr Brett Wilson and Mr Scott Belgre (Sports coordinator).

Thank you also to the students of Homebush Boys High School and in

particular, those in year 12 leaving us to pursue bigger and better things. We wish all of the Homebush Boys community the best of luck for 2013.

Jonothan Sculthorpe Head Teacher PDHPE

- NSW Weightlifting Association
 9746 8555
- Basketball NSW 9746 2969
- Hockey NSW 9764 1911
- Australian Canoeing 8116 9727
- Orienteering NSW 8116 9848
- Lidcombe- Waratah Soccer club 97495210
- Western Suburbs Junior Cricket Club 0409823240.
- Wests Junior Rugby Union Football Club <u>philip@mccrea.com.au</u>
- Canterbury JRUFC <u>canterbury ruc@</u> hotm<u>ail .com</u>
- NSW Tennis Association 97637644
- Greenacre Junior Rugby League Club 9758 2442



















TECHNOLOGY & APPLIED STUDIES

Skills which are directly transferrable to daily works of life form the foundation for learning TAS courses at Homebush Boys High School. Courses offered in TAS faculty has always been enriched by diverse knowledge and skills of the student population and we have broadened the scope of courses being offered at the school.

In the faculty we have high expectations for academic success but being mindful of ensuring appropriate vocational skills being mastered for alternate pathways for students who do not wish to go to universities. To facilitate this vision we have equipped the faculty with cutting edge technologies and equipment across all facets of the curriculum to address needs of twenty first century learning goals.

In 2011 once again we had tremendous HSC results in all the courses and upon analysis of the results we found that the benchmark set by the cohort had been set so high that it will be a challenge for the upcoming groups. We value our past but are keen to meet the challenges of the future and more so with the introduction of the Australian curriculum in the near future. Work has already commenced to address some of the curriculum changes that we anticipate, meaning we will be prepared to give our students the best learning outcomes through resources and pedagogy.

2012 saw numerous changes in staffing with a long term and highly successful Hospitality teacher Nadine Koff transferred to Epping Boys High school. It is a great loss to us but definitely with the wealth of expertise she has, it is a huge gain for Epping. Gerard Saber was appointed to replace Nadine and he brings a lot of industry knowledge and skills together with his teaching experience at Belmore Boys High school. We welcome him and wish him best in his

new appointment. Amy Greenshields has settled in well and taken up the role of VET coordinator in the school along with other teaching duties in the faculty. Gerard Reardon was appointed as SASS staff to manage kitchens and he also brings a lot of expertise from Hospitality background. I wish him well with the appointment.

The rest of the team remain stable and I would like to take the opportunity to thank our casual teachers who filled in relieving positions in various capacities to keep the place running so efficiently and smoothly. In particular Annette Houvardes and Maryln Taufoli did fantastic jobs in filling up temporary positions in the faculty.

I wish to thank all the community support rendered in accommodating work placements and reports that I received from employers are very rewarding. The employers have been so impressed that some have offered apprenticeships to some of the boys in respective discipline. We are looking forward to continue to have this association with industries.

The VET consultant, Grace Crapis and her team have been very supportive and through her efforts we were able to secure retraining for Ben Crosweller in VET Construction as this VET framework is very popular amongst our students since its introduction in the school.

It is a pleasure being part of the Homebush staff and I would like to thank all the staff for their continued hard work and professionalism in rending their services over and beyond the call of duty in various roles. Wishing all the students the very best of luck in future endeavours.

Satendra Prasad Head Teacher TAS



Year 7 student working inTimber



A storage box - Year 9 Timber



Year 12 Timber major project



Year 8 Electronics Project



Year 10 Metal Project.

SCIENCE

A busy year as always. Staff first.

Mr Khalili had a short stay with us before accepting a transfer to Windsor High School. In his place we welcome a new scheme teacher, Ms Neelan Goundar, to full time staff.

We also welcome the return (albeit part time) from maternity leave of Ms Sarah Brown and Ms Kamil Kaur.

Science Week(s)

Our Canberra three day excursion was a huge success, filling the coach in three days and including many educational and recreational activities. Pictures of our happy young scientists are elsewhere.

8ScA and 8ScB had a full day at Science week at the Australian Museum; CSIRO education programs were presented to students in years 7, 8 and 9; the reptile man came for yr 7; yr9 were fascinated by The Mad Scientist (especially when he hammered a nail into his nose!)

Student Achievement

Harsharndeep Singh has received the Victor Chang Cardiac Research Awards as the outstanding year 11 Science student of 2012. Roumen Momein has been successfully nominated for the Young Scientist conference in Perth in January, a sponsorship from Burwood Rotary worth several thousand dollars

Science Competition Results

A disappointing number of entries but great achievement none the less:

Distinctions were awarded to

Manovarman Selvanathan (yr 12); Krishnath Maharasa, Henry Prentice, Mashrur Shan (yr 10); Panayioty Constanti (yr 9); Benjamin Nguyen (yr 7).

Chemistry Competition Results

This was better!
High Distinctions were awarded to
Saif Ali, Manovarman Selvanathan, Brendan Trinh, Derek
Wong (yr 12); William Nguyen, Paul Habashy (yr 10)

Distinctions were awarded to

William Tran (yr); Zaheer Ebrahim, Gagan Jalandhra, Nirushan Parthian, Hardikkumar Patel, Harsharndeep Singh, Aahi Thirunanthakumar, Kevin Yin (yr 11), Andrew Chau, Nathaniel Lea (yr 10) Well done to all!

Alan Everett (Head Teacher)





On the way home from the Zoo with Mr Baggaley up the back.



Outside the Wombeyan Caves on the way to Canberra



Year 9 enjoy a day out to the Botanical Gardens.



Year 7 at the zoo, learning about animals.



Science camp:students learn about dinosaurs.



Science camp – at the Institute of Sport.



Luna Park trip:view from the Harbour Bridge



Science camp: a favourite stop at Macdonald's.



Soccer at 6.30 am: freezing Canberra morning.



Year 8:take the bridge to Luna Park



Science camp – Wombeyan caves



Institute of Sport:Canberra.



Outside Luna Park.



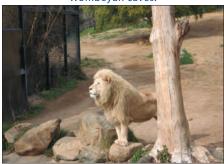
Wombeyan caves.



Dinosaur Museum – Canberra



View from top of bridge on the way to Luna Park.



Canberra Zoo, up close and personal with the wildlife.





Luna Park



Wombeyan caves on the way to Canberra.



Questacon



Botanical gardens.

SOCIAL SCIENCES

2012 was a another successful and rewarding year for all teachers and students involved with activities associated with the Social Sciences Faculty.

The Social Sciences Faculty consisted of Mr John Pearson (Head Teacher), Mr Syarief Achmad, Mr Adrian Pisani, Ms Leisa Willis, Ms Annette Legge, Ms Dana Quick, Ms Emma Kench, Mr Matt Pell, Mr Prakash Innasi, Ms Caitlin Dwyer and Ms Cath McIntyre (who transferred to Orara High School in Term 4). Phirum Duch (from Chester Hill High School) will replace Ms McIntyre from 10th December 2012.

Excursions are an important enrichment activity used broadly across most subject areas offered by the Social Sciences faculty. Year 7 Geography studied World Heritage areas and had a field trip to Katoomba to visit the Blue Mountains World Heritage Area. Year 8 Geography visited the Georges River Field Study Centre at Chipping Norton Lakes and Warragamba Dam. Year 9 Geography visited Homebush Bay Wetlands to look at human impact on environments, while Year 9 Commerce went to Luna Park to develop ideas in their Promotion and Selling unit. Also 60 Year 9 students went to Thredbo, Goulburn and Canberra, which involved skiing for one day as well as visiting a sheep stations, War Memorial, Federal Parliament House, The Institute of Sport, the Australian Electoral Commission and the Snowy Mountains Authority. Year 10 Geography looked waste management issues and visited Eastern Creek Recycling Centre and St Mary's Water Recycling Centre, while Year 10 Commerce visited the Police and Justice Museum and State Parliament House as part of their Law and Politics unit. Year 11 Legal Studies students visited the Downing Centre Court Complex, Year 12 Legal Studies visited the Drug Court and District Courts at Parramatta, while Year 12 Economics visited the Reserve Bank of Australia.

There were a number of incursions throughout this year, as part of our enrichment programmes. Year 9 and Year 10 Commerce classes had Financial Literacy lectures. Year 10 Commerce had representatives from the Police Force discuss legal issues with them. Year 12 Business Studies had members of the business community come in and discuss various matters associated with business management and operations.

There were also a number of extra curricular activities undertaken throughout the year, which gave our students opportunities to further develop their learning skills. Students from Homebush Boys successfully entered the Australian Economics Competition, Australian Business Studies Competition, Australian Geography Competition and being involved with the Smart Money Seminars and having Police and Business people come into school to discuss their experience and expertise.

Special mention must go to Vindesh Nadan & Ameen Ramadan – Jradi for achieving High Distinctions in the Business Competition and receiving \$75 each in prize money and being asked to attend a special presentation at University Of NSW.

Again the Social Sciences Faculty has achieved outstanding results in the academic field. For Year 7 Geography the following students achieved outstanding overall results: Semester 1 Geography: 1st Faisal Khan (7GD), 2nd Joshua Redolfi (7GB), 3rd Ganeshan Manoharan (7GD), 4th Pratik Kulkarni (7GH), 5th Denis Mulya (7GB), 6th Ben Gosby (7GB),7th Jeff Chen (7GB), 7th Justin Tripic (7GB), 9th Rhys Neuhold (7GB), 9th Madhav Sunderram (7GB), 9th Talha Khan (7GF), 12th Dylan Kennerson (7GB), 12th Jayanth Kumaralingam (7GD).). Special thankyou to Year 7 Geography teachers Mr Pell, Ms McIntyre, Ms Kench, Ms Willis, Ms Quick & Ms Legge.

Year 8 Geography outstanding results for Semester 1 & 2:- 1st Emmanuel Vardakis (8GE), 2nd William Chan (8GA), 2nd Matthew Ho (8GF), 4th Kevin Kadamani (8GA), 4th Johnny Qian (8GA), 6th Drumil Shah (8GA), 7th Dominic Yates (8GA), 7th Utkarsh Puntambekar (8GB), 9th Phu Vinh Nguyen (8GF), 9th Seraphim Cherniakoff (8GG).). Special thankyou to Year 8 Geography teachers Mr Pell, Ms Quick,

Ms Kench, Mr Innasi, Mr Pisani & Mr Achmad.

Year 9 Geography Semester 1 outstanding results:- 1st Hamed Gaznawi (9GF), 2nd Daniel Yuan (9GH), 3rd Jacob Efendi (9GH), 4th Joshua Shanthikumar (9GD), 4th Adam Saker (9GH), 4th Akhilesh Dhanekular (9GH), 7th James Fu (9GH), 8th Raghav Rampal (9GF), 9th Ahmed Parappil (9GB), 9th Allan Lai (9GH), 11th Daniel Lopes (9GH). Special thankyou to Year 9 Geography teachers Mr Pell, Ms McIntyre, Ms Kench & Mr Achmad.

Year 9 Commerce outstanding results (as of half yearly marks, not total yearly marks): 1st Srinivas Byreddy (9COMD), 2nd Joshua Shanthikumar (9COMA), 3rd Akhilesh Dhanekula (9COMD), 3rd Vipullan Puvanendran (9COMD), 3rd Salmaan Siddiqui (9COMA), 6th Mohamed Abdalla (9COMB), 6th Allan Lai (9COMB), 6th Adam Saker (9COMB), 9th Daniel Yuan (9COMC), 10th Freeman Lin (9COMB). Special thankyou to Year 9 Commerce teachers Mr Innasi, Mr Pell, Ms Quick, Ms Kench & Ms Legge.

Year 10 Geography outstanding results for Semester 1:- 1st Rafid Sarker (10GB), 2nd Cameron Shir-King (10GH), 2nd Anuraj Talati (10GH), 4th Raymond Zhou (10GH), 5th Louay Faour (10GB), 5th Cameron Holmes (10GH), 7th James Deng (10GB), 8th Andy Chen (10GH), 8th Vidhushan Paheerathan (10GF), 8th Seong Kyeong Yeom (10GH), 11th Ryan Cuthel (10GF), 11th Ashwin George (10GD), 11th Fergus Knox (10GD). Semester 2 Geography marks so far (incomplete – still two tasks to go):- 1st Mashrur Shan (10GA), 2nd William Nguyen (10GA), 3rd Bassel Rana (10GA), 4th Henry Prentice (10GA), 4th Zubin Jacob (10GA), 6th Angus Armstrong (10GA), 7th Lawrence Trinh (10GA), 8th Ainkaran Sritharan (10GA), 9th Lukas Sorensen (10GC), 10th Dilawar Gill (10GA), 10th Anthony Ming (10GE). Special thankyou to Year 10 Geography teachers Ms McIntyre, Ms Legge, Ms Willis, Ms Quick, Ms Kench & Mr Pell.

Year 10 Commerce outstanding results:- 1st Sahil Bhandula (10COMB), 1st Ainkaran Sritharan (10COMB), 3rd Ramanan Srirathan (10COMA), 3rd Jordan Lin (10COMD), 5th Rafid Sarker (10COMC), 6th Mashrur Shan (10 COMA), 6th Nicholas Everitt (10COMB), 8th Murtaza Kanpurwala (10COMB), 8th Aaron Coughran (10COMB), 10th Lukas Sorensen (10COMB), 11th Jawad Khademi (10COMB), 11th Bassel Rana (10COMC), 11th Ashwin George (10COMC), 14th Krishnath Maharasa (10COMC). Special thankyou to Year 10 Commerce teachers Mr Pearson, Mr Innasi, Mr Pisani, Ms Willis, Ms Quick, Ms Kench & Mr Pell.

Year 11 Economics Preliminary HSC Course outstanding results:- 1st Dean Bardas, 2nd Vindesh Nadan, 3rd Jerry Miao, 4th Onur Faydaver, 4th David Jesuthasan, 6th Tommy NG, 6th Piragaash Sivapathan, 8th Kiieren Sritharan, 9th Zakaria Bardouh, 9th Vipul Lal, 9th Hardikkumar Patel. Special thankyou to Preliminary Economics teachers Mr Pearson & Mr Innasi.

Year 11 Business Studies Preliminary HSC Course outstanding results:- 1st Vindesh Nadan, 2nd Matthew Yu, 3rd Abishek Naidu, 3rd Ameen Ramadan – Jradi, 3rd Martin Stepho, 3rd Quentin Yeung, 7th Varun Lal, 8th Mahmoud Ayish, 8th Trae Chamma, 8th Adrian Tang. Special thankyou to Preliminary Business Studies teachers Ms Legge, Ms McIntyre & Ms Dwyer.

Year 11 Legal Studies Preliminary HSC Course outstanding results :- 1st Dean Bardas, 2nd Gary Le, 3rd Henry Tran, 4th Leandros Pandoulis, 5th Adrian Tang, 6th Leonardo Pane, 7th Alexei Feofiloff, 7th Matthew Yau, 9th Karan Ahuja, 10th Sebastion Rosser, 11th David Kim, 11th Burney Wong, 11th Ambrose Hill. Special thankyou to Preliminary Legal Studies teachers Ms Legge & Mr Pisani. Year 11 Studies Of Religion Preliminary HSC 1 Unit Course outstanding results: - 1st Ibrahim Al-Atyyia, 1st Dylan Kang, 3rd Zaheer Imaan Ebrahim, 4th Taranjit Singh, 5th Eshwar Elamurugan, 5th Simon Huang. Special thankyou to Studies Of Religion 1 Unit teacher Ms Willie

Year 11 Studies Of Religion Preliminary HSC 2 Unit Course outstanding results: - 1st Perrin Tasker, 2nd Sergi Nicholas Houhlias, 3rd Leondros Pane, 4th Abishek Naidu, 5th Mohammed Saqar. Special thankyou to Studies Of Religion 2 Unit teacher Ms Willis.

Year 12 HSC Legal Studies outstanding course results: - 1st Phillip Siomos, 2nd Lachlan Foster, 3rd Simon Xin, 4th Aleks Wynne, 5th Kurstan Hu, 6th Andrew Finch, 7th Adam Meiklejohn, 8th Ruilin Huang, 9th Kevin Le, 10th Matthew Kuruvilla. Special Thankyou to Year 12 Legal Studies reachers Mr Pisani & Mr Pearson.

Year 12 Geography HSC Course outstanding course results: - 1st Hillman Pan, 2nd Varun Chiakapati, 3rd Zakariya Barud, 3rd Enver Kerem, 5th Ibrahim Bardouh. Special thankyou to the Year 12 Geography teacher Mr Achmad.

Year 12 Studies Of Religion HSC 1 Unit Course outstanding course results: - 1st William Huynh & 2nd Karl Somanandrana. Special thankyou to the Year 12 Studies Of Religion teacher Ms Willis.

Year 12 Economics HSC Course outstanding course work: - 1st Cameron Kopecny, 2nd Lachlan Foster, 2nd Phillip Siomos, 4th Sean Dowdall, 4th Kieren Tran, 6th Keshav Bhrugubanda, 7th Andrew Zang, 8th Aleks Wynne, 9th Brandon Lam, 10th William Huynh, 10th Christopher Lam. Special thankyou to the HSC Economics teachers Mr Pearson, Mr Innasi & Mr Achmad.

Year 12 Business Studies HSC Course outstanding course work: 1st Hugh Blaxland, 2nd Kurstan Hu, 3rd Kieren Tran, 4th Johnny Chen, 4th Edward Lai, 6th Raghav Sareen, 7th Neilson Liu, 8th Mahmood Mahmood, 9th Dylan Wijesekera, 10th Agron Goni Cela, 10th Eddie Kadayifci. Special thankyou to the HSC Business Studies teachers Ms Willis, Mr Pisani & Ms McIntyre.

The Social Sciences John Taggart Memorial prize for Outstanding Overall Achievement in Social Sciences Subjects for the HSC course was awarded to Phillip Siomos. Phillip came 1st in Legal Studies and equal 2nd in Economics. Congratulations on winning this prestigious award.

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate all the Social Sciences teachers for doing an excellent job throughout 2012. Also congratulations to all our students for your hard work and enthusiasm, and thanks to all parents, for your support and belief in quality public education.

Homebush Boys High school is an excellent school, with a proud academic, sporting and cultural reputation with boys education The Social Sciences Faculty is continually making positive contributions to this great reputation.

John Pearson Head Teacher Social Sciences Faculty

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Yr 9 Snow Boarders

TRIP TO THE SNOW

Every year 60 Year 9 students have the opportunity to can to Canberra and Thredbo as part of an educational experience in Commerce, Geography, PE & Health and Civics Education. Part of the cost of this excursion is subsidised by the Federal Government's PACER program which stands for 'Parliament and Civics Education Rebate' Program. Which subsidises each student \$20 if they attend Federal Parliament House, The Australian Electoral Commission and the Australian War Memorial. This subsidy assists student to visit certain places in Canberra as part of their development in Civics education.

During week 4 of term 3, August 8th – August 10th, 57 year 9 boys attended the Snowy Mountains camp to Goulburn, Canberra, Cooma and Thredbo. We loaded our luggage in 5:45 in the morning and departed at 6:00AM. Our first stop was at the Pelican Sheep station in Goulburn, where all the boys got right up and personal with lots of sheep, this was an experience most city boys have never experienced before. Our next stop was Parliament House we visited the Senate and the House of Representatives. We leant how Federal Government works and runs our country. Our next stop was the Australian Institute of Sport for a sports experience. Where we played 3 different sports: hockey, indoor soccer and dodge ball. We had fun but tired and it was time to depart for the High Country Motel in Cooma.

The next morning we woke up an hour earlier at 5am and headed to Thredbo for a day of skiing and snowboard lessons. This was excellent fun, but the day was very cold with snow and hail falling during the day. At 5:00 we returned all our equipment and we left Thredbo and headed back to the motel.

The next day was very busy with visits to the Snowy Mountains Authority, Australian War Museum and the Australian Electoral Commission. Then dinner at McDonalds and home to our parents by 7.30pm. We would like to thank the bus driver, Mr Pearson for organising such a great trip as well as Mr Madyski and Ms Willis for attending this trip.

Lalith Vudata, Sasha Srikanth, Soham Kembhavi



Year 9 snowboarders at Thredbo



Mr Pearson & Mr Madyski ready for fun at the snow

YR 10 GEOGRAPHY FIELD TRIP Eastern Creek Resource Recovery Park & Malabar Sewerage Treatment Plant

On the 15 of March 2012, four Geography teachers Ms Willis, Ms Legge, Ms McIntyre and Mr Pell accompanied us Bushie Boys in our Geography classes to the Eastern Creek Resource Recovery Park run by SITA and then to the Sewerage Treatment Plant at Malabar.

With over 2,100 employees and contractors, 850 collection vehicles and 100 operations across Australia, SITA recovers valuable resources for recycling and reuse. SITA also provides these services to more than 56,000 commercial and industrial customers and more than 3.7 million residents every week. There are at least 16 Resource Recovery Parks in Sydney and surrounding areas.

The tour guides were kind enough to take us around the Recovery Park and feed us with information, both facts and statistics, about this Resource facility whilst we were inside the bus. The boys had their thinking caps on and asked some great questions on the day. This made the excursion both informative and interesting.

The Recovery Park was a great place as it was a different sort of environment, a place none of the students had visited before - a once in a life time experience! It was a memorable experience, with a very pungent odour which really tested our sense of smell. In our opinion, we believe the excursion was great fun. We learnt a lot about waste and what happens to it as it arrives at the Recycling Centre. Overall, the boys and teachers had a great time and learnt a lot about the park. Everyone participated well and followed instructions on the day, which made life a lot easier, especially for the teachers.

So thank you teachers of Homebush for this wonderful experience and thank you tour guides as well.

Jai Ivelja & Vincent Christy



Yr 10 Geography Malabar Waste Water Treatment Plant



Getting ready to tour the plant.



Year 8 Geog



Year 8 Geog



Year 8 Geog water testing.



Blue tongue lizard at Georges River



Year 8 Geog water testing



Yr 9 Geog at Homebush Bay Field Study



Mr Pisani with Geography Competition award winners.



Yr 9 Geographers in the Mangroves Homebush Bay Field Study



Year 7 & Ms Willis at Katoomba



Year 8 Georges River Field Study Centre



Snowy: Yr 9 ready for the slopes



Mr Pell & Year 7 Geog at Katoomba



Year 9 Snow Bunnies



Ms Willis & Year 7 Geog at Katoomba



Yr 10 Commerce with visiting Police Officer



10 Commerce sit in State Parliament



Year 9 learn about life in the shearing shed



SS Faculty 2012



Mr Innasi at Warragamba Dam



Ms Willis tries out her skills on the snowboard



Year 9 wait for the tour of Parliament house



Rami Eldick, Jack Williams & Ethan Wright

CAREERS

In careers I aim to target different year groups looking at trying to address the needs of the various students. Therefore, there are many projects which occur simultaneously. These can range from career workshops for Years 9-10 students; Transition Program; Work Experience; organising incursions with motivational guest speakers such as Paul Wade; excursions e.g. Career expo; co-ordination of TAFE Vocational Education Courses; guiding and facilitating those students who want to apply for an apprenticeship or alternatively wishing to apply for scholarships and/or cadetships. Conducting mock interviews; update of resumes and ensure that our students have important life skills such as problem solving, effective communication which will further enhance their chance of achieving their goals.

Year 12 need to be mindful of a few things, if they are planning on getting an apprenticeship then it is a good idea for them to be in contact with organisations such as Ontrack Employment who have recently relocated to Rochester Street Homebush. This organisation will provide further guidance on resume writing, interview techniques and try to align them with a potential employer. In addition to this they will provide a very cost effective means of obtaining their Driver's licencae i.e. (approximately \$150 which includes all of the driving lessons required).

I am trying to organise Mock Interviews for those Year 12 students who would like to apply for any of the following medicine, scholarships or cadetships. Please ensure that you constantly check your school emails and career alerts to be updated on these events. If you should have any further inquiries, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Congratulations to Manovarman Selvanathan and Frank Day for achieving outstanding UMAT results and best of luck with your results Year 12!

Below is some feedback from students based on their experiences relating to the programs they participated in.

Transition Group

A group of students were identified at the start of the year as being part of a transition group; this basically meant that the focus was on developing our employability skills.

We used to meet up every Tuesday afternoon for two terms with Mrs Anton and professionals from the industry, where we were given the opportunities to update our resume, mock interviews were conducted and we were continually being interviewed by HBHS staff such as Year Advisors, Head Teachers, Career's Advisor and Deputies which gave us a forum to address our goals.

Furthermore many of us took the initiative to organise our Work experience, which proved to be very beneficial yet challenging. We were also fortunate to experience a Taste of TAFE as the knowledge and skills acquired were invaluable.

The courses that we participated in were:-

Automotive Spray Paint Café Bar & Barista Carpentry Electro technology Plumbing

This was a really positive experience, where we actively engaged in doing what is relevant to our future.

Andrew Simpson

Work Experience

Something that everyone should be considering!!

It was brought to our attention when Mrs Anton, the careers advisor, highlighted the importance of doing work experience during the careers workshop; and that's when the penny dropped. Having that urge to become a doctor created that burning desire to start researching options available to me. Although there were many, here was one that stood out, which was "UNSW Museum of Human Diseases." The reasons why it stood out was that I could potentially be a future student in the Medicine Faculty and was also inspired to research diseases causes and possible solutions associated with the human body.

Weeks have passed and I've come to a realisation that it was one of the best things that I got to do. Sitting amongst lecturers, PhD graduates and experts in the field inspired me to pursue this career even more than before. Some of the skills you get to gain would include communication, working in a team, problem solving, and then extend yourself by doing things that you would initially think were unrelated. The competencies I gained from my work experience were getting a feel of working within a professional environment, enhancing my research skills, and challenging myself by doing tasks normally done by qualified professionals such as assisting in their marketing and advertising campaign. I only have positive experiences from my work experience and thoroughly recommend for students, to get enthusiastic and start participating in work experience, one of the best programs that would've ever been offered to students.

Fawaz Mahfouz

I, Krishnath Maharasa was the first student from Homebush Boys High School, year 10, 2012 to attend work experience at UNSW. It was an overall thrilling experience thanks to Mrs Anton suggesting UNSW as a perfect place for work experience for those interested in the particular fields it has to offer. My ambition to participate and have a future career in the medical field made me really curious and interested to do work experience related to my particular field. There were various options available for me but there was one suggestion which came to my mind straight away due to my interests in Biology, "UNSW Museum of Human Disease." It was the best place as it related to Biology courses later in year 11 & 12.

Being a part of the museum was an awesome feeling. Various new skills were introduced; extra knowledge on Biology was taken into account and benefited me overall. I was there for a whole week but it seemed ever so short and wished I could do it again. I gained skills comprising of; teamwork, researching skills and communication. This increased my individual abilities and helped me learn new facts and figures about the Biology. The Museum itself is really interesting as there are body parts and organs from late as the 1800's. I was able to do various research task on disease present both past and present and also assist people in advertising and promoting the Museum of Human Disease.

Overall, I strongly believe work experience should be taken into account for all individuals at Homebush Boys High school both junior and senior. I believe that it would be a benefit for everyone, because work experience allows you to both enjoy the field you like and learn various facts as well. I recommend that all students should do work experience as it a great opportunity to get and insight of their future career path.

Krishnath Maharasa

Ms Georgia Anton Career Adviser

LIBRARY

Homebush Boys High School Library has undergone a few changes this year.

It started with my arrival at the beginning of the year. Shortly after that I started some of the moves. Books changing shelves (confusing for many but in the long run I am sure everyone will appreciate what the changes mean); new signs and posters going up; a fabulous new Circulation Desk along with inspiring and challenging word art; and library fines gradually being removed.

The boys use the library for study, reading – both books and ebooks, homework, computer work, and, yes, chatting! Overall, I am very pleased with the positive way that the majority of boys make use of this valuable resource. Before school, recess and lunch breaks are busy productive times in the library, as are study periods throughout the day.

Throughout the year I have enjoyed adding heaps of new resources to the collection, including many based on student requests. It is through discussions with students and teachers as well as written suggestions that we are able to keep the collection relevant and interesting for the wide variety of users. Please keep me informed so that we can grow an even greater collection together.

2012 has been a great year for me at HBHS, and I look forward to an even greater adventure with the Homebush Boys community in 2013 as we try new ideas together and continue to build an even more effective and exciting library.

Ms Pam Vine Teacher-Librarian



Library Olympic display July 2012



Library Circulation Desk July 2012.

A LIBRARY STORY

Once upon a time, in a far, far away land there was a place of books. In this magic place people could read to their hearts content, learning many interesting things and visiting imaginary places, making friends, finding romance or even, if they really wanted to, getting very scared by entering places of ghosts and ghouls.

This was a very happy place until one day there was an invasion of technology – the computers arrived. These computers were unlike anything the book loving people had ever seen. You couldn't turn pages on the computer the way you could with books. They didn't feel the same as books and they definitely sounded different. They didn't even smell the same as books. You couldn't curl up and read them the way you could a book.

The people were very scared and didn't know what to do with these strange new devices. From the young people, though, came a brave young boy. He wasn't afraid. He started to use these computers, trying to find out what they could do. He was soon visiting new magic places and finding out interesting things, some of which may have been imaginary. Gradually other people started to try these new computers. Finally everyone was using them and the magic place of books and imagination started to feel lonely and unloved.

Now did I say everyone was using them? Well, yes they all were but there was one young boy (not the same one who started this trend) who didn't want to give up his books. He still enjoyed this magic place of books where he could visit imaginary places, make friends, find romance or even get very scared by entering places of ghosts and ghouls. He continued to turn the pages of the books, feeling them and curling up with them as he escaped to these wonderful places. He noticed that the other people had forgotten the fun they used to have with the books. He knew that the computers had brought new magic places to their world but he also decided that it was important for the people to remember the fun of the magic place of books. So he devised a plan...

He started to sit near his friends, when they were on the computer, and read his book,

laughing and smiling and clearly showing that he was enjoying himself. When they asked him why he was so happy, he would simply say, "Oh, this is such a great book!" and then continue reading. After a while he would say, "You just have to hear this bit," and would proceed to share a really fun part with them (not so much as to be annoying but enough to get them intrigued). Sometimes he would simply go onto the computer with them, still smiling and enjoying himself, saying pretty much the same thing, "This is such a great place to visit," and, after a while, start to share things he had read on the computer with them. Slowly other people started to listen in, trying to learn what was fun and where to visit.

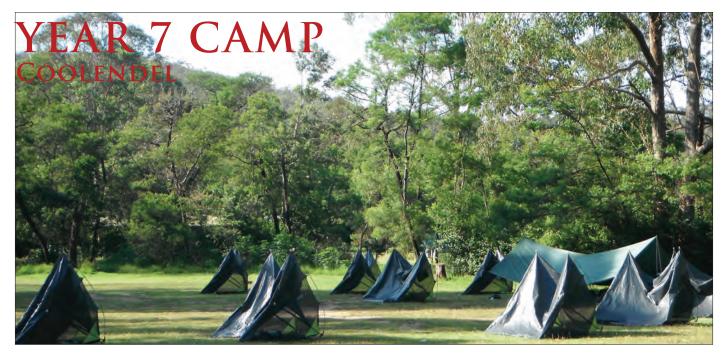
As other people started asking questions he reminded them about all the great books and all the fun they had had reading them. He also told them about the wonderful books that were as yet unread. He pointed out that the computers were also fun and interesting but that they weren't there to replace the books. In this special place, books and computers can live happily side by side.

So, as the years went by, the people of this far, far away land learned to enjoy all that they had – the wonderful place of books that showed them many interesting things and allowed them to visit imaginary places, make friends, find romance or even get very scared by entering places of ghosts and ghouls as well as the computers that took them to new magic places and showed them interesting things, some of which may have been imaginary.

The moral of this story? Visit the library, use the computers but always remember life is far better with a book!

ΡJ

'Overall, I am v ery pleased with the positiv e w ay that the majorit y of bo ys mak e use of this v aluable resource.'



































YEAR 7 REPORT

It has been a pleasure to take this journey with year 7 this year. From those very early meetings to the informal conversations we have in the hallway, it has been great watching these boys grow and flourish into young gentlemen. Through all the ups and downs the boys have faced, they have taken the right steps to move forward on this new chapter of their lives.

We can still remember that very first day in the hall on the very first day when the boys were letting go of their parents hand to take a seat and begin high school. Throughout the year they have developed a sense of independence and confidence, which have made them great additions to the school.

They have participated in a range of

activities and experiences that have helped them throughout their academic journey. The school has provided the boys with great support and quality teaching to enrich their learning. Programs such as Study Skills, Tough Guise, sport carnivals, school sport, Public speaking and debating competitions are evidence of the great range of learning that the boys have undertaken this year.

Boys were also given the chance to audition for the "Pyramid" game show. Some boys were successful and went down to Fox Studios in Term 3 to record shows to be aired on Channel 9 in 2013. It was an exciting time for the boys as they got to see how TV shows are recorded and also got to meet a range of celebrities.

As the year came to an end, it was evident that the boys had done very well in settling in, and growing to learn all the ins and outs of life at Homebush Boys High School. We are very proud of all their efforts this year. We wish them all the best in Year 8.

A big thank you goes out to Mrs Willis and Mr D. Carrozza for relieving Ms Fattouh in the year advising role in Term 3, and wish them all the best as they continue looking after the boys in 2013 and beyond.

Ms D Fattouh & Mrs L Willis.

'We are very proud of all their efforts this year.'











YEAR 9 REPORT

I am proud to be in charge of such a wonderful cohort of emerging young men who at the halfway mark of high school are showing signs of greater maturity and self-accountability. 2012 has been a wonderfully successful year for year 9 and was shown on many diverse fields. Students in this year group continue to excel in academic, sporting, co-curricular and community activities. This year we were able to distinguish the emerging diverse talents of a large number of students through peer recognition during year assemblies.

It is important to see students participate in a number of cocurricular activities including the Science camp to Canberra, the Social Science and PDHPE snowy mountain trip, Year 9 Camp to Ulladulla, Band camp, Drum Corps, School Orchestra, Public Speaking, Debating, Chess Tournament, Premier's Reading Challenge, Tournament of the minds and the list keeps on going.

It is with this attention to alternative tasks during this time of education that students become aware of their involvement and place in our greater community and this was shown in the volunteering of students for community programs such as Meals on Wheels every Friday for the year, Clean up Australia Day, Korean cultural day and Strathfield council volunteering day.

The involvement of year 9 students in the sporting arena continues to be of a high standard, with participation rates at the schools swimming, athletics and cross country carnivals getting higher. Representation at Zone carnivals is high and the participation of year 9 in Zone grade sport is a beacon of sporting strength for the years to come. We have a number of talented sportsmen who should continue to do well into their senior years and will become role models for the younger sportsmen of the school.

Year 9 students participated in the school to work program as well as some transition programs looking at development of TAFE bases skills in electronics, plumbing and land scaping. Disengaged students we given the opportunity to re-engage in areas of greater interest through the help of the Head Teacher Welfare and Careers Advisor to initiate thought and purpose of goals and aspirations for the future, this was very successful at giving guidance to these students and work experience has started to prepare these men for their future.

I have been happy to engage with the parents of year 9 students with regards to their son's performance and progress and hope that these channels continue to flourish as a student's development is a combination of both home and school. I enjoy seeing and talking to students in the playground and congratulating them when I hear positive efforts are being made in their development and schooling. Visits to homerooms was a big part of keeping up with the appearance of this cohort and touching base with each student at least twice and this shall continue into year 10 as I feel it develops these students into men.

It is going to be an exciting year 10 in 2013, the final chapter in their middle schooling as well as greater responsibility in the school community and I look forward to a continued excellent effort form these young men in 2013.

I could not have helped these young men to develop the way they have without the help and support from my trusted and ever ready to lend a hand deputy Mrs Judith Edwards, thank you for your continued work.

Mr Stephan Madyski Year 9 Adviser 2012

BELOW:Year 9 camp photos.











YEAR 10 REPORT

2012 marks the end of Stage 5. For the majority the conclusion of Year 10 is the next step in their education future and continuation of opportunities from which to derive success.

The main themes this year were transition, mentoring and citizenship. Indeed most Year 10 students took the opportunities and participated in many activities. These include the Red Shield Appeal, the Hall crew, RYPEN leadership camp sponsored by local Rotaries, Duke of Edinburgh work experience, the Breakfast Club, debating, Tournament of Mind, Youth Connection, the Ontrack Employment Program and the list goes on.

We continued student mentoring this year with one-day training run by Next Generation. Year 10 students had a wonderful experience through the Mighty Men Mentoring program. Many of them share ideas and seek advice from their Year 12 mentors. It is hoped that these Year 10 students will in turn look after the Year 7 students in 2013. Eighteen Year 10 students also became Technology tutors with Strathfield Council. They spent many hours in their own time to teach older members of this community using technology, such as mobile phone and laptops.

As usual, our students have performed well academically such as Mathematics competition and Chemistry competition. This is a credit not just to their teachers but to their own diligence and application. Many of them have matured into fine senior students that will prepare them to Stage 6. Our talent does not stop in academic achievements, Year 10 students excel in Music, Art, culinary expertise and the sporting field. I congratulate the boys on their mateship, motivation and maturity.

The latter portion of the year was dominated by the all-important subject selections for Year 11 2013. The subject selection process was made easier by Information Night and the Market Day for students and parents. We have initiated a new program "Sample Eleven Twelve" to taste various senior courses. This is done by Year 10 students visiting Year 11 and 12 classes for a double lessons. I thank all the participating teachers by allowing extra students in their classes. Students have responded to this program positively and enjoyed their experiences.

In Term 2, we welcomed Mrs Gin Ball as Assistant Year Adviser. She has been fantastic in assisting Sample Eleven Twelve, transition program and advising students with learning needs. I would also like to thank Mrs Georgia Anton for her tireless effort in helping students in work experience, TAFE courses and subject choices. Finally, I would like to thank Mrs Maria Hong for her ongoing effort in following through the progress of the Korean students in Year 10. Her expertise and patience displayed her love for the students.

Once again, it has been my pleasure to be Year Adviser to such a fine group and I know that they will continue to find balance between various aspects of their busy lives, school, sport, leisure, part-time work; community services that has them a truly exceptional group of young men.

Miss Joanna Chan Year Adviser



We love lunch time!



Group work in student mentoring



Ontrack Presentation



Ontrack interview



TAFE program



Student mentoring



Technology Buddy



Rowan Castro

2012 has been a successful year on the sporting field for Homebush Boys High. In both the summer and winter season we contested a total of 48 semi-finals, 26 grand finals. We won a total of 10 North West Metropolitan Zone Premierships.

The premiership winning teams were:

1st Grade Football 2nd Grade Football • S enior Hockey 'A' • 15' s Vollevball • 1st Grade Volleyball Junior 'B' Oztag • 5 enior 'A' Oztag enior 'B' Oztag S 2nd Grade Cricket • 1st **Grade Waterpolo**

We had many students represent the school at various levels with special mentions to Jai Ivelja representing Sydney North in both Football and Cricket, Jonah Bolden NSW basketball with an invitation to tour the USA with AIS Basketball squad, Mitchell Taylor and Joshua Rogers representing NSW U/15's waterpolo in a tour of NZ, Bassel Rana representing NSW and Australia in weightlifting and Michael Napoli representing NSW in Trampolining.

A list of all representatives is in this edition of the school magazine. On behalf of the school, I would like to extend my

congratulations to all the players and coaches for their outstanding effort and successes.

We had many achievements in carnivals and knockouts throughout 2012.

Some of these highlights included:

•HBHS Summer NWMSSA Zone Champions

•HBHS Champion School at NWMSSA and Sydney North Regional Golf Championships

•HBHS win Regional final and reach the final 8 in the David Woods Opens Boys Waterpolo knockout

•HBHS finish 4th in the Shell Cup Opens Basketball knockout competition.

•HBHS reach the final 8 at the NSW Volleyball Championships held at Sydney Olympic Park.

•HBHS U/15's Volleyball team win NSW School Tournament at Homebush.

•HBHS Win Regional final and reach the final 8 in the U/15's Boys Waterpolo knockout

I would like to thank all the staff at

Homebush Boys for their contribution to sport in 2012, in particular those teachers who coach grade teams on a Wednesday and take their time to coach the boys before and after school. A big thankyou to Kerrie Ray in the front office who works tirelessly on the sport rolls. To the executive Tim Jurd, Caitlin Dwyer and Kamie Kurshed thanks for all your support of the sport program at HBHS and allowing sport to be held in high esteem within the school curriculum.

Thanks to Gas Carrozza and the maths staff for the recording of results in school carnivals and Brett Wilson, Annabel Chapman and Jonathan Sculthorpe for their roles as carnival managers. To our official photographers/paparazzi led by Kim Attwood thankyou and finally to Dan Carrozza for his fine efforts in stepping into the shoes of sports coordinator for the early parts of term 4. I hope that 2013 can be an even bigger and more successful year for sport at the BUSH!

Scott Belgre Sports Coordinator

2012 HOMEBUSH BOYS HIGH SCHOOL

SPORT REPRESENTATIVES

NORTH WEST METROPOLITAN ZONE REPR

Soumil Chhibber	Cricket Libee	san	Sukirt	han	Volleyball
Willis Choi V	olleyball	Hao	Yin V		olleyball
Ramanan Sritharan	Volleyball	K	rishneil Mahar	asa	Volleyball
Bilal Zraika V	olleyball	L	uke Sheehan	Baseb	all
Michael Pappallo	Baseball		Scott Madsycki		Baseball & Hockey
Oliver Smith	Baseball		Jonah Bolden		Basketball
Isaac Noh Golf	Chris		Park	Golf	
Sean Baek Golf	Р		eter Totidis	S	wimming
Jay Houhlias S	wimming	Ro	wan Castro	S	wimming
Joshua Rogers S	wimming	M	atthew Gu	S	wimming
Vincent Nguyen	Swimming	Dane	Kennedy	S	wimming
Mitchell Taylor S	wimming	M	artin Perkins	S	wimming
Michael Parker S	wimming	James	Burton	F	ootball
Brian Griffin-Colls	Football	R	iley Tasker	Rugb	y Union
Perrin Tasker Rugb	y Union	Josh	Tonpi	Rugb	y Union
Nyarangi Winitana	Rugby Union	K	aya Bremner	Cr	oss Country
Simon Monro	Cross Country		Dominic Furnea	ux-Bate	,
Cory Jnr Sharma-Constance	,		Rowan Castro		Cross Country
Dane Kennedy W	aterpolo	M	ichael Parker	W	aterpolo
Mitchell Taylor W	aterpolo	Joshua		W	aterpolo
Serge Houhlias W	aterpolo	Brian	Griffin-Co	lls	Athletics
Angus Armstrong	Athletics	D	ylan Fuller	Α	thletics
Nyrangi Winitana	Athletics	Jai	Ivelja	Α	thletics
Calvin Cheng A	thletics	Da	vid Sun	Α	thletics
Rhys Nuehold A	thletics	Kelvin	Luong	Α	thletics
Jack Codd-Miller	Athletics	V	ictor Le	Α	thletics
Jeremy Butler A	thletics	R	ichard Nghein		Athletics
Dominic Furneaux-Bate A			Khaled Abu-Mał		
Michael Napoli T	rampolining	Jai	lvelja	Cricke	t

SYDNEY NORTH REGION REPRESENTATIVES

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	Soumil Chhibbe	er	Cricket Libees	san	Sukirt	han	Volleyball
	Willis Choi	V	olleyball	Jonah	Bolden	Bask	etball
	Matthew Gu	S	wimming	M	itchell Taylor	S	wimming
	Martin Perkins	S	wimming	Joshua	Rogers	S	wimming
	Vincent Nguyer	n	Swimming	Brian	Griffin-Co	lls	Football
	Isaac Noh	Golf	Š		cott Madycki	Hock	кеу
	Jai Ivelja	F	ootball		Cory Jnr Sharma-C	onstar	nce Cross Country
Brian Griffin-Colls		Athletics		Angus Armstrong		Athletics	
	Dylan Fuller	Α	thletics	C	alvin Cheng	A	thletics
	David Sun	Α	thletics	Kelvin	Luong	Α	thletics
	Jack Codd-Mille	er	Athletics	V	ictor Le	Α	thletics
	Michael Napoli	Τ	rampolining	M	ichael Parker	W	ater Polo
	Dane Kennedy		Water Polo				

NSW/CHS REPRESENTATIVES

Soumil Chhibber	Cricket Joshua		Rogers	U/15'	s Waterpolo
Mitchell Taylor U/15	' s Waterpolo	Jonah	Bolden	Basket	ball
Willis Choi U17'	s Volleyball Basel		Rana	W	eighlifting
Michael Napoli T	rampolining Angus		Armstro	ng	Athletics

AUSTRALIA

Jonah Bolden AIS Basketball Basel Rana W eightlifting

SPORTS HIGHLIGHTS 2012

Soumil Chibber Represents Sydney North at the CHS Cricket Carnival and is chosen to be an Australian Multicultural Cricket Ambassador. Selected in the CHS 2nds team to compete in the CHS All Schools Carnival.

Basel Rana Represented Australia at the 2011 Trans-Tasman Weightlifting Championships. Broke the national under 15's record in the snatch and total. Represented Australia at youth and junior training camp at the Millenuim Institute of Sport. Accepted into the NSWIS weightlifting program.

HBHS Summer School Champions for NWMSSA

Willis Choi Represents Sydney North at the CHS Volleyball tournament. Selected in the NSW U17's team to play in the Australian Championships.

Libeesan Surkithan Represents Sydney North at the CHS Volleyball tournament.

Jonah Bolden Represents Sydney North at the CHS Basketball tournament. Selected in the CHS Basketball team to play in the Australian Championships. Represented AIS sport in their Basketball tour of the USA.

Josh Rogers Selected in the NSW CHS U/15's Waterpolo team to tour New Zealand.

Mitchell Taylor Selected in the NSW CHS U/15's Waterpolo team to tour New Zealand.

HBHS Champion school at the Sydney North regional Golf Championships, players Sean Baek, Isaac Noh and Chris Park.

Sean Baek 2nd at the Sydney North Regional Golf Championships.

Isaac Noh 4th at the Sydney North Regional Golf Championships. Runner up at the Sydney North Regional Matchplay tournament and will represent Sydney North at the CHS Golf Championships. Zone Junior Golf Champion.

HBHS 3rd at the Zone Swimming Carnival.

Matthew Gu 15yrs Zone Swimming Champion.

HBHS 15yrs relay team 1st place at the Sydney North Regional Swimming Carnival. Team: Matthew Gu, Joshua Rogers, Martin Perkins and Mitchell Taylor

Brian Griffn-Colls Represents Sydney North at the CHS Football Carnival.

HBHS Win Regional final and reach the final 8 in the David Woods Opens Boys Waterpolo knockout.

Vincent Nyguen 5th in the NSW CHS 13yrs 50m Breaststroke final.

HBHS Winners of the U/19's regional futsal tournament at Marrickville, defeating Kingsgrove High 5-0 in the final.

Jai Ivelja Represents Sydney North at the CHS Football Carnival and selected in

Perrin TaskerRepresents NWMSSA at the CHS Rugby CarnivalRiley TaskerRepresents NWMSSA at the CHS Rugby CarnivalReece IlliohiaRepresents NWMSSA at the CHS Rugby CarnivalJosh TonpiRepresents NWMSSA at the CHS Rugby Carnival

Michael Napoli Represents NSWIS at the Australian Trampolining Championships. Selected in Sydney North team for CHS, where he finished in 1st place trampoline, 1st place double mini and 2nd place single mini.

HBHS Winners of the U/16's regional futsal tournament at Dural, defeating Galston High 3-2 in the final.

HBHS Finish 4th in the Shell Cup knockout competition.

HBHS Reach the regional final in the Hockey knockout, defeated by North Sydney Boys.

Cory Jnr Shama-Constance Finishes 6th at the Sydney North Regional Cross Country. Qualifies for State Cross Country Championships.

Angus Armstrong 15yrs Zone Athletics Age Champion. 1st in 15yrs Pole Vault at NSW All School Athletics Carnival. 1st in 15yrs Pole Vault at the Australian All Schools Athletics Carnival.

Dylan Fuller 1st Place 15yrs 100m Regional Athletics

15yrs 4x100m Relay 1st place at the regional athletics carnival. Team: Dylan Fuller, Angus Armstrong, Calvin Cheng, David Sun.

17yrs 4x100m relay 2nd Place at the regional athletics carnival. Team Brian Griffin-Colls, Kelvin Luong, Victor Le, Jack Codd-Miller

HBHS Reach the final 8 at the NSW Volleyball Championships held at Sydney Olympic Park.

HBHS U/15's Volleyball team win NSW School Tournament at Homebush. Team: Toee Naing (Capt), Khan Milligan, John Lee, Seong Gwan Kim, Yakub Tanrisever, Ansar Sohail, Sunny Hamal, Raymond Nim, Diluxian Sukirthan (manager).

HBHS Win Regional final and reach the final 8 in the U/15's Boys Waterpolo knockout.

Dane Kennedy Represents Sydney North at the CHS Waterpolo Carnival

Michael Parker Represents Sydney North at the CHS Waterpolo Carnival



1st GRADE BASKETBALL



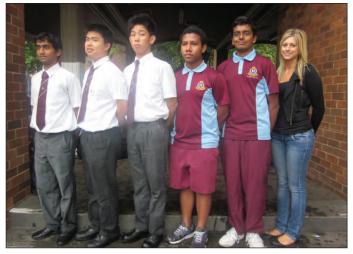
1st GRADE CRICKET



1st GRADE TENNIS



1st GRADE VOLLEYBALL



2nd GRADE TENNIS



2nd GRADE BASKETBALL



15's CRICKET



2nd GRADE CRICKET



1st GRADE WATERPOLO



2nd GRADE WATERPOLO



14A CRICKET



14B CRICKET



14's BASKETBALL



14's TENNIS



15's TENNIS



14's VOLLEYBALL



SENIOR A OZTAG



SENIOR B OZTAG



SENIOR FUTSAL



JUNIOR FUTSAL



WATERPOLO 14's



WATERPOLO 15's



2nd GRADE CRICKET



3rd GRADE CRICKET



SENIOR BASEBALL



JUNIOR BASEBALL



JUNIOR A OZTAG



JUNIOR B OZTAG



15's VOLLEYBALL

THIRSTY 3RD'S CRICKET



The 3rd grade team was undoubtedly one of the best third grade teams that have ever emerged from Homebush Boys. We were semi-finalists in the North West Metropolitan Zone Premiership, but were soundly defeated in the semi-final by rain and the Premiers, the strong Homebush Boys High School, second grade. The team had fielding captain Nirosan and batting captain Keshav.



15's BASKETBALL

Robert was the best opening bowler in the team. His pace always had the batsman on the back foot, trying to get bat on ball. Robert was supported by the part-time off spinner Hardikkumar. Sumat (never dropped a catch) and Praksh are the other main pace bowlers in the team. Nirosan was undoubtedly the most economical bowler in our team. Philip and Nat were always reliable with their bat. Keshav is one of our very aggressive batsman. His ability to score runs quickly in the middle order always proved handy in tight situations, often sending the ball flying over the bowlers head and over the boundary for 6 runs. We had an all star team, each and every player had their very own talents, and all contributed to the team's success.

Finally we would like to thank Mr Sivasothy (Coach) for his tireless efforts in coaching and the boys for their commitment this season. We always behaved as good sportsmen on the field, despite losing only one match which was the semi-final. Well done "Thirsty Thirds"!

ANNUAL SCHOOL SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Our annual School Swimming Carnival was held on the 24th of February with great numbers in attendance. All boys who attended put in a great effort and made the carnival a wonderful day. Congratulations to Hayes house who were the eventual winners of the carnival and the following boys who were age champions:

12 Years – Ibrahim Taha

13 Years – Vincent Nguyen

14 Years – Jim Hou 15 Years – Matthew Gu

16 Years - Serge Houhlias

17 Years – Dane Kennedy

The Zone Swimming Carnival was held the following Friday the 1st of March with Homebush finishing 3rd overall. There were some fantastic individual efforts with Matthew Gu being named the 15 years age champion and the U15's and U17's winning their relay events. Well done to all boys who competed on the day and represented the school with distinction.





















































































































































1ST AND 2ND GRADE WATERPOLO

It was yet another successful year for our 1st grade waterpolo team. Not only were they premiers but they also made it into the top 8 of the state in the waterpolo knockout.

It is really wonderful to be involved in a sport where the boys continue to play year after year. Many of our boys in our 1st and 2nd grade teams started playing in year 7 or 8 and to watch them develop their skills in the pool as well as their dependence on each other and their willingness to play as a team is an absolute privilege. All our teams usually play at the same venue so the 14's and 15's are watching and learning from our senior teams all the time – it is almost like a family atmosphere and all coaches and all students intermingle with each other easily.

2011 saw an amazing group of young men play in our 1st and 2nd grade teams. They were: Ambrose Hill (captain), Michael Parker and Dane Kennedy (vice-captains), Rowan Castro, Serge Houhlias, Steven Lee, Christopher Maybury, Linden Talbot and Perrin Tasker. They were ably supported by Declan Lindsay from 2nd grade for the knockout team as well as by Mitchell Taylor and Josh Rogers, both from the 15's waterpolo team. 2nd grade players were Ali Baddah, Liam Heron, Ayman Hill, Arnav Karnik, Philip Maxwell, Peter Saify and Francis Shin.

Thanks for another great year boys.

Miss B Gobel

2ND GRADE CRICKET ZONE PREMIERS

This was a very successful season for a balanced team of enthusiastic young cricketers with a cliffhanger for a conclusion.

At various times and in various games, each player contributed either an athletic catch, a breakthrough wicket, a desperate run or a fine fielding effort.

The team was Karan Ahuja, Andrew Benedict, Hugh Blaxland, Andy Chen, Sai Dixit, Shobhit Gumber, David Jesuthasan, Arjun Kumar, Tyler Neilsen (captain and wicketkeeper), Ekjot Singh (scorer), Harsharndeep Singh, Simran Singh, Kiieren Sritharan, Denis Sylvester and Athithan Thirunanthak.

Epping had beaten the second grade team at Mason Park in November when Homebush scored 6 for 154 off 30 overs. David Jesuthasan and Athithan Thirunanthak each scored 33 runs in this total. Epping batted the following week to score 4 for 155 after 25 overs for a good win.

During the season, Homebush 2nd Grade had played Homebush 3rd Grade in a hotly contested match. The Thirsty Thirds batted first and were all out for 67 after 18 overs. Second Grade needed 20 overs and lost six wickets in the run chase but managed to win with 68 runs.

The semi- final was a controversial rematch of this clash of the titans. Second Grade were bowled out for 79 runs after 26 overs. Throughout the next week the Third grade players sledged the brave Seconds and their all suffering coach. Could the Thirsty Thirds have caused a form reversal and beaten the 2nds? No one will ever know as the skies opened

and dampened the possible result with a washout – much to the consternation of some of the thirds, as they wanted to play even through lightning, thunder and hail.

The next week the seconds, being higher on the table, went through to the final against the powerful Epping side. The match was to be played at Meadowbank but the constant rain had forced the council to close the ground. Some team members were at the ground when they were informed that at the last minute the game had been moved to the only available venue -- the old cricket pitch at Epping Boys'High School.

The game was reduced to 25 overs each and started more than an hour late under a dark and ominous sky with rain threatening to fall all through the game. The ground was ill prepared with long damp grass all around the pitch and places where the water was centimetres deep on the surface. Homebush won the toss and went in to bat. Good strokes of the bat were stopped by the grass and resulted in a single instead of a four. Andrew Benedict was the top scorer with 21 runs, the Singhs made 33 runs between them. (Harsharndeep 18, Simran 15) --- 6 for 102 was the total.

Epping took to the run chase with confidence and energy. The Homebush players fielded and bowled with a fierce determination and enthusiasm. Six of the Epping players were caught and two were run out in a brilliant fielding display by the Homebush players. It was desperately close all afternoon. Epping students had been watching from the hill but they left before 3 pm. As the sky darkened and light rain fell Epping fell short of the target in the 25th over with their score of 8 for 98.

Tyler Neilsen was exceptional as captain; his bowling selections were astute and successful. In bowling 5 overs each, Arjun Kumar took 3 for 11 and Denis Sylvester took 3 for 9.

The team celebrated by eating and drinking their own weight in pizza, pide and soft drink the following week. The cost of this indigestion was heavily subsidized by their poor old coach.

Overall it was a successful and very enjoyable season.

I thank the boys for their commitment, their excellent behaviour and good sportsmanship.

Mr A Doolan Coach

SENIOR B OZTAG PREMIERS IN THIS DIVISION

The Homebush Senior Bs Oztag went through the season undefeated premiers with a much deserved 11-2 victory over Normanhurst Boys. The score line in the Grand Final was a good reflection of their dominance throughout the season.

The team was led very effectively by the effer vescent Charlie Brian who is always a bundle of energy and commitment to the team. He was well backed up the poised and levelheaded Cameron Parcell. Cameron's vision on the field and his ball skills are well developed at this level. Fahim Takbir's agility and Josh Tonpi's aggression served the team well in the middle. On the fringes the straight running Kieren Tran and Anthony Phan were always dangerous as was the elec-

trifying stepping of Kevin Le. These players were mobile and creative in attack. The team had pace to burn on the wings with Brian Dowling, Mathew Penfold, Desmond Ngo and Anthony Giang. And we can't forget the talents and speed on the links, namely Brandon Vuong and Dylan Kang. The team was a mixture on power and finesse in equal parts. We also need to recognise the contributions on Peter Totidis, who was the team manager/mascot.

A great season men and it was always a pleasure seeing you all in full flight on the field. Thanks for your efforts and commitment to Oztag at Homebush Boys High School.

SENIOR OZTAG TEAM 6 PREMIERSHIPS IN 9 YEARS

In an extraordinary Grand Final at Mason Park on Wednesday 7 March, the Homebush Senior Oztag team continued the tradition that started 9 seasons earlier.

The team triumphed over their arch rivals Epping Boys in a breathtaking game that went deep into a sudden-death extra-time drop-off. The game went down to 3 players on each side before a great break by Reece Ilolahia was backed up by Hassan Koussan on the inside to end an outstanding season and a remarkably even game. Another extraordinary fact is that it was the third Grand Final that Hassan has scored the winning try in the drop-off. He did it twice in the Juniors over the years.

The team lost only one game in the whole season, finishing on the ladder 3 or 4 games ahead of their nearest rivals - Epping. All players must take credit for a wonderful season. The team was led amiably by Ali El Kheir and Youssef Morgan at different stages of the year. These two players are very competitive and resilient in tight matches. Both led by example every time they took the field. Reece and Hassan were standout players all season – their agility, pace and poise put them a class above the opposition. Bilal Taha improved enormously as the season progressed. His runs in the Grand Final made a difference in a tight game. Mohammad Elheou's decisive runs were missed in the run up to the semi-finals but he served the team well before the Christmas break. Omar Bardouh improved as the season progressed and as his confidence improved. In the links, Ibrahim Bardouh was the bisggest improver over the past 2 season – his defence was impeccable and his darting runs were very good. Adam Alley contributed well to the team as did Ahmed Abbas and Zak Barud. These boys did their job very competently and without fuss. Youssef Sarakbi was another big improver and his try in the Grand Final nearly got us over the line late in the second half. Jacob Hill was all heart and commitment on the wing throughout the season. Also, Scott Bunch must be recognised for his efforts as manager and water-boy throughout the season. Dominic Furneaux-Bate wants everyone to know that he scored a try in his first ever carry of the ball in an Oztag game.

Thanks for the season men. It was a heck of a ride. And the way it ended was very fitting for your last game in Oztag at Homebush Boys High School.

Chabes Elaro Coach

JUNIOR OZ TAG A AND B

This season was the first competition to include two divisions in the junior league. Oz tag is such a popular and growing sport across the Zone making it possible to have 2 seven team competitions. This season we had over 45 boys trying out for two teams of 8 starting players. Once again we had a lot of talented and experienced players to fill out 2 impressive A and B squads.

Both sides started the season in solid fashion and established themselves in the top 4 of each competition, virtually assuring finals football.

The A team were expertly controlled and directed by Koheliti, Angus, Tarek and Taniela. Their selective ball play and ability to take on the line was extremely effective. On the edges Dylan, Stefano, Matt, Kaya, Patrick and Vincent hit the gaps and frequently got on the outside of their opponents. Dylan and Patrick were particularly effective at using their speed and evasion to great effect.

The A team played an exciting and entertaining game. The passing and touches of skill from Koheliti, Angus, Tarek and Taniela were impressive and when the boys were 'on' we were impossible to stop. Dylan was devastating on the edge and in broken play whilst Stefano continued his rapid rise. Kaya is also another player of the future, his athleticism was a highlight.

The B team were led by the Triple L combination. The Lopes cousins Anthony and Daniel and Adam Lees who provided all the direction and smart ball play. Running off these guys were the athletic and evasive Dion, Tennessee and Dalian. The speed out wide was courtesy of Jeremy, Khaled, Nic ,Hugh and Jacob. Wes, Mark, Mohammad, Ahmad and were great in a utility role filling the gaps in ball playing roles and providing some much needed spark.

Both teams qualified for the Semi Finals. The A's went down to eventual champions Randwick in a close contest. We probably deserved to make the final on our results through the year. The B's won their Semi and came up against the previously undefeated Normanhurst. The B's were a team on the rise and stuck perfectly to their game plan. The Lopes and Lees combination controlled the middle and fed the runners out wide, allowing Dion, Tennessee and Dalian to find some space. Mohammad and Ahmed saved their best for last. Nic, Jeremy, Jacob and Hugh had strong games, while Wes and Mark provided some good options. They jumped to an early lead and were never really threatened and went on to win the first title of the new competition.

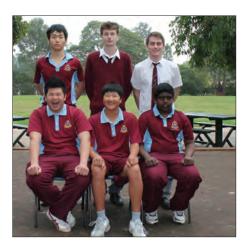


WINTER SPORTS



1st Grade FOOTBALL





1st and 2nd Grade BADMINTON

14's and 15's TABLE TENNIS

1st and 2nd Grade TENNIS WINTER







13A FOOTBALL



13B FOOTBALL



13C FOOTBALL

WINTER SPORTS





SENIOR HOCKEY B





JUNIOR LAWN BOWLS

14A FOOTBALL



SENIOR HOCKEY 'A'





14's TENNIS

1st and 2nd Grade TABLE TENNIS

WINTER SPORTS



2nd Grade FOOTBALL



2nd Grade RUGBY



14's RUGBY



13's RUGBY



15's RUGBY



14B FOOTBALL

2ND GRADE FOOTBALL

The Homebush Boys High School 2nd Grade Football team of 2012 enjoyed a hugely successful season. With the effort and the hard work, the boys were determined to win in every game, and this paid off throughout the season with the team enjoying an undefeated streak in the competition.

The quality of the team, not as individuals, shone through, and the team was a joy to watch. The team spirit was phenomenal with the boys always encouraging their fellow team members in every area, regardless of how well they played or how many mistakes they may have made. Ruthless during games but gracious in victory, the boys were the ultimate professionals and were the perfect ambassadors for the school on the football pitch.

After a tremendously enjoyable and exciting season the HBHS 2nd Grade football team were crowned champions of the competition and with their dazzling play they illustrated why football is truly called 'The beautiful game'.

15's RUGBY.

Big congratulations to all the boys:
Anosyke Nnaemeka, Armstrong Angus, Bardouh Nabil,
Christy Vincent, Clarkson Aden, Djebbouri Mohammad,
Efendi Jacob, El Sayed Billal, Eldick Rami, Fletcher Nicholas,
Kaddour Ahmad, Khalili Mohammad Rashid, Knezevic Alexander, Mansfield Luke, Miller Craig, Moeakiola Taniela, Norton
De Matos Francisco Frankie, Tabikh Gus, Topcu Akif, Totidis
Stefano, Vaitaiki Koheleti, Yari Arfan, Zraika Tarek.

They had an amazing season where they played well as a team and for one another. The boys should be proud of their efforts even though they lost the grand final to Asquith who we didn't manage to play throughout the season due to no referee or a wash out. They all played with heart every game and I am extremely proud of them. Good luck next season.

Ms Chapman 15's Rugby Coach

2ND GRADE HOCKEY

The second grade hockey team had a very good season playing in the first grade competition.

After being defeated by first grade teams early in the season the Homebush boys were great improvers and by the end of the season they were beating the teams that had made it into the semi finals. The second grade team were a great group to coach, full of enthusiasm and team spirit.

The experience of Suresh, Anuraj, Dilawar, Mashrur and Rafid in attack was inspiring and Farber, Gobi and Jin were always solid in defence. The less experienced players Pierre, Matthew and Zac never gave up and were always willing to learn. Sohaib and Kayin were solid in the goalies cage.

Ms Cuneen

1ST AND 2ND GRADE TENNIS

1st and 2nd grade tennis had a very mixed winter season this year. Injuries and rain impacted on us far more than usual, as it did on our opponents; nonetheless it was still very enjoyable. As always, the boys really made it a lot of fun and their behaviour remained faultless week after week.

Liam Jameson captained the teams and was ably supported by Jack Bae, Serge Houhlias, Dane Kennedy, John Kim, Tony Lee, Declan Lindsay, Anthony Phan and Pavithran Sivakuma-

Our 1st grade team made it to the semi-finals but were unfortunately unsuccessful in going any further.

My warmest thanks to all the boys.

Miss B Gobel

FIFTH GRADE FOOTBALL

Team: Alex Flynn, Arnav Karnak, Do Yeon Jack Kim, Jason Kim, Peter Kim, Sung Woo Kim, Thomas Kim, Woobin Tommy Kim, James Lee, John Lee, Minyong Lee, Aditya Pandya, Vickram Rajaji Raja, Rasul Sediqi, Yildirim Sinmaz, John Walker, Yuhao Wu, Seong Kyeong Yeom

This side needs to be congratulated on the manner in which they approached each game. They always played for each other, encouraging and backing one another both in attack and in defence. Although the skill level was not always very high, each player gave his best and enjoyed every game. We managed only one draw in the season but this does not reflect the effort and spirit with which each game was played. We probably could have performed better in some close games but the boys must learn to remain in their position throughout the game.

The team was a pleasure to coach, polite, cooperative and displaying great sportsmanship on and off the field. I wish them all good luck in their future sporting careers.

G.Carrozza



Mr Belgre congratulates Jonah on making AIS Basketball.

FIRST GRADE RUGBY 2012

Our First Grade Rugby team for 2012 certainly did Homebush proud in getting to the grand final and in the way they carried themselves on and off the field of play.

We decided to dispense with the notion of a single captain at the beginning of the season, rather have a leadership group involved in the decision making for the team. Yousef Morgan, Ali El-Kheir and Reece Ilolahia brought their experience and knowledge together to lead the group.

The team was composed of students ranging from year ten, through to our year 12 students. Every one of the boys showed development in their skill, fitness and attitude towards playing for their school. A major goal for the team this season was to build pride in representing Homebush Boys High School in Rugby. This meant having pride in themselves and a sense of camaraderie with their peers. Seeing the players engage in their rugby and engage with each other in the school setting, gave a sense of achievement towards this goal.

We went through the regular season undefeated (a draw against Epping was a strong result considering injuries and absences). The continuity in the players attack and a vast improvement in their defence was a highlight of the season. Once the team saw what they were capable of, confidence increased and the winning formula came.

It was exciting to watch the electric ball work of Charlie Brian, the dazzling feet of Reece Ilolahia, the courage of Yousef Morgan, the dominance of Ali El-Kheir, the silky smooth moves of Dylan Kang, the raw power of Lucas Chao, the scintillating magic of Josh Tonpi, the strength of Ngarangi Winitana, the pure energy of Alex Weregola, the Bilal Taha mystique and the awesomeness of Dominic Furneaux- Bate. Once they had the ball, it was difficult to keep them out of the game.

Our forward pack was strong and at times brutal. Once again, we didn't have the size, but for some reason, the pack showed week in, week out that if you have courage in your

own abilities and support your mates, the larger size of opposing forwards is insignificant. The twin brutes of Perrin 'Nugget' Tasker and Riley 'Cannonball' Tasker led this group through massive tasks. Steven 'Legs' Luo and Mohammed 'Powerhouse' Abdul- Rahman gave strength up front, while Andrew 'Missile' Ingrati and Justin 'Juggernaut' Shon gave irrepressible support. Bilal 'Huge Heart' Zreika and Cameron 'Tough as nails' Parcell dominated the breakdown. Hugh 'The Silent Sniper' Blaxland had another season that saw him play nearly every minute of every game, consistently tearing apart the opposition without even a whisper.

This season was perhaps the most enjoyable season of Rugby I have coached. The laughs never stopped on the sidelines with the comic duo of Jack 'Waterboy' Codd-Miller and Scott 'No-knees' Bunch. Their help around the grounds was immeasurable and their ability to keep life in perspective got us all through some pretty ugly games of rugby.

This season we had the sheer pleasure and good fortune of gaining the assistance from George 'The Greek' Gargoulakis. He has had extensive rugby experience; including playing with the Young Waratah's and is currently studying coaching at ACPE, whilst coaching representative rugby in Sydney. George brought structure and discipline to the team; adding the much needed technique to a team of hard-headed and courageous young men. Without his assistance, the team would not have made the Grand Final against Epping and would not have performed as well as they did. His vision and coaching ensured the boys were confident in their own abilities, confident in the support of their mates and didn't get frustrated when things didn't go their way.

Thanks to the team for such a great year. Good luck to the year 12 boys in the future. It has been a pleasure watching you grow into young men and am very proud to have been associated with you.

Mr Jon Sculthorpe



1st Grade Rugby

15 B FOOTBALL

A strong squad was assembled at the start of the season. The team comprised many experienced and skilled players. Once the season was underway it was clear we would be aiming for a semi-final spot.

Defensively we were solid at the back, Momen slotted in at goal keeper and performed well all year. Across the back we had Sathvik, Edmond. Son Shin and Naved. We controlled the ball well at the back and chased hard when under pressure. It usually took some really good play from the opposition to break us down.

In the midfield we had a nice combination of skill, speed and players who always gave 100%. Daniel, Sultan, Arivin, Haddi, Krish and Tariq were always looking to keep possession and create some opportunities. Krish, Daniel and Sultan also fancied their chances in front of goals and had some nice shots saved or just sail wide.

Up front we had the pure blistering speed of Richard, the speed and skill of Simon and the space created by Ethan's running and nice touch on the

We performed well throughout the season. Richard and Simon found the back of the net frequently and our defence held out most sides. Sathvik led the way at the back and Haddi and Krish were creative in the midfield.

We finished in 3rd place and came up against Normanhurst in the semi. The bounce of the ball didn't go our way and after looking good at 1-0 up we went down 3-1 as the home field advantage took its toll.

Playing Squad

Ethan Wright, Sultan Shamsin, Simon Monro, Krish Kumar, Edmond Kim, Haddi Taha, Richard Nghiem, Nivedh Dwaraknath, Momin Khan, David Kim, Daniel Lopes, Sathvik Nimmagadda, Arivind Selverajoo, Tala Tariq, Son Shin Yong.

TIM CAHILL'S VISIT

Tim Cahill surprised the 1st Grade Football team on Wednesday the 23rd of May, when he turned up to offer some pre-game advice and then stuck around to watch the team in action against rivals Randwick Boys. Tim was promoting the game of football through his sponsor Weetbix, and watched the entire game and was pleasantly surprised with the quality of football played by the Homebush Boys.

SECOND XV GRADE RUGBY UNION

The season promised to be a good one, when many students trialed for grade rugby at the senior level. The selection trials were well attended and we had excellent fitness and training sessions. With a mixture of experienced and novice players it looked as if there would be plenty of players for every game.

Second Grade began the season with a good win against Epping Thirds. The score was 34-0 and 6 tries were scored

With 28 players on the team list bursting to get onto the field, the sidelines were crowded with fresh reserves in the next game against North Sydney. Playing on our home ground the team began to develop some team work and understanding. With so many reserves it was necessary to have a buddy system to manage the many interchanges. North Sydney displayed good understanding of rugby to win 14-7

A bye followed. Dr Doug Stewart was the very experienced team coach for a good training run at Airey Park. Hopes were high for a good performance in the next game against Ashfield.

There was some good play displayed against Ashfield but many players showed that they had extensive knowledge of Rugby League and that they were not experts in playing Rugby Union.

After this loss there was a bye as Randwick had left the competition. More training was conducted at Airey Park by the very competent good Doctor to little avail as the majority of team members were certain that any loss in the competition by them could not be because of their lack of fitness or lack of skill in playing this strange game.

Only 20 students managed to find their way to Tunks Park for the next game against North Sydney.

Five minutes into the game there was a lengthy stoppage as a North Sydney player had his collar bone broken and an ambulance was called. The game resumed and was closely hard fought but resulted in a win to North Sydney 15-5. A loss to Ashfield followed and several byes with training runs and a washed out game against Epping Thirds.

The semi-final was a match against North Sydney at T G Millner. This game was a triumph for the team and the courageous Captain, Michael Parker. Homebush was in this see sawing game until the last two minutes when North Sydney scored to finish winners 23-19.

The final was to be a match between North Sydney and Mr Martin's (ex Homebush 1st grade coach) Epping 2nd team that had played in the first grade competition. The team was Michael Parker (captain), Ahmed Abbass,, Rodwan Ayoush, Ibrahim Bardouh, Omar Bardouh,

Zakaria Bardouh, Richard Chang, Aydin Cochrane Salman (to 1st grade), Chris Curry, Brian Dowling, Mouhammad El Helou, Hussam Elmadbouly, Celalcan Eyvaz, Faouzi Hadid, Jacob Hill, Pratik Kar, Hassan Koussan, Adrian Mak, Tevita Moeakiola, Ayub Omar, Mikail Ozdemir, Youssef Sarakbi, Jimmy Shim, Andrew Suamili, Linden Talbot, Calvin Vidigal, Mohamad Zraika.

Alan Doolan



Tim's visit surprises the boys.



Tim gives the boys Some advice at half time

1ST GRADE FOOTBALL

Down Arch Rivals In Grand Final Classic

Homebush Boys High School 1st Grade Football team defeated arch rivals Epping in a tight tussle at Mason Park on Wednesday the 25/7/12. There were limited chances in the game with both teams defences giving away nothing and both midfields struggling to take control of the game. Homebush had few chances in the first half but nothing of real substance to trouble the Epping goalkeeper.

In the second half the back line of Brian and Harry Griffin-Colls, Nathan Carter and James Burton continued to shut down all Epping attacks and Matt Cook and Tim Xin continued their hard work in the middle of the park to put pressure on the talented Epping midfield.

It was going to take a moment of brilliance to win the game and that moment game from Tim Davidson who ghosted in between the Epping defender and goalkeeper on a loose ball, rounded the keeper and slotted the ball home from a tight angle to send the strong crowd and the Homebush players into wild celebrations. The team held on in the final 5 minutes showing pure determination, with Jai Ivelja making some crucial punch outs in the dying minutes.

A well-deserved victory and a successful season by 1st Grade football. Congratulations to all the boys in particular to the departing year 12 students Brian, Eddie and Omer for the fine service to Homebush Boys football.

1st Grade Football: Brian Griffin-Colls (Captain, Nathan Carter, Jai Ivelja, Harry Griffin-Colls, James Burton, Eddie Kadayifci, Omer Cenk, Tim Xin, Matt Cook, Steven Lee, Adrian Talesvski, Tim Davidson, David Gajic, Adem Keskin, Ricardo Fradel.

Mr Belgre 1st Grade Football Coach



Homebush on the attack



Great Sportsmanship



The supporters



1st Grade Premiers



Tim celebrates his goal. Keep your shirt on!



Super sub Tim Davidson enters the pitch



James Burton taking them on



1st Grade Grand Final vs Epping



Mr Letsios lays down the law at half time



2nd Grade in Action



Mr Letsios nervous before the 3rd Grade Final



3rd Grade in Action



Eddie celebrates a grand final victory





An Epping player receives a card



Captain Brian Griffin-Colls



Mr Jurd and Mr Carrozza watch the grand final action

ANNUAL SCHOOL ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Our 70th Annual School Athletics carnival was held on Monday the 30th of April at the Sydney Olympic Park Athletics Centre. The weather on the day was fantastic and the participation and behaviour of all the boys was a credit to themselves and the school. Hayes was the champion house on the day narrowly defeating Vaughn. Congratulations to the following age champions:

12 years - BAMRARA, Dhruv

13 years - CHEN, David

14 years - BUTLER, Jeremy

15 years - FULLER, Dylan

16 years - SUKIRTHAN, Libeesan

17+ years - FURNEAUX-BATE, Dominic

The Zone Cross Athletics carnival was held

several weeks late at Olympic Park Athletics Centre. While Homebush's overall placing was disappointing there were some fantastic individual achievements. Congratulations to Angus Armstrong who won the 15yrs Age Championship a wonderful achievement. The following results were highlights on the 1st - 17yrs 4x100m relay (Brian Griffin-Colls, Victor Le, Kelvin Luong, Jack-Codd Miller) 1st – 15yrs 4x100m relay (Dylan Fuller, Angus Armstrong, Calvin Cheng, David Sun)

1st – Brian Griffin-Colls 17yrs 100m

1st - Dylan Fuller 15yrs 100m

1st – Angus Armstong 15yrs High Jump

1st – Nyrangi Winitana 17yrs Discus







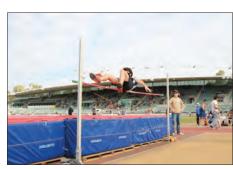


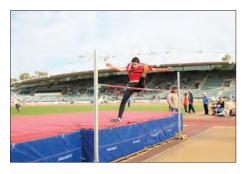












































































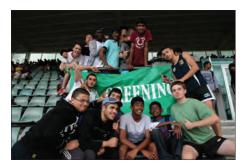














































































SENIOR VOLLEYBALL

The Senior Boys Volleyball has had a very successful year. They won the zone championships by defeating North Sydney Boys High School in the final 25/15 and 25/17. The team made through to round 3 of the State KO Championships by defeating Asquith Boys High School 25/19, 25/21, 23/25, 25/17. They then defeated North Sydney Boys High School 25/15, 25/16, 25/18. The team then travelled to Carlton High School where they were narrowly defeated 25/22, 23/25, 26/28, 23/25. It was interesting to note that after a two hour game there was only 3 points that separated these two teams.

Other high lights was the selection of state squad member Willis Choi and Libeesan Sukirthan into the Sydney North Regional Representative team.

Members of the Open KO team for 2012 were:- Jack Codd Miller (Captain), Willis Choi (Vice Captain), Bilal Zreika, Jason Sung, Brendan Luong, Libeesan Sukirthan, Ian Zhou, Ramanan Srithathan, Arjun Abayasingam and Qi Hao Yin. The team was coached by Mr Pearson.

With the Year 12 players leaving the team (Jack Codd Miller, Bilal Zreika, Jason Sung & Brendan Luong). The Summer Competition 1st Grade Team for 2012/2013 consists of :- Willis Choi (Captain), Libeesan Sukirthan (Vice Captain), lan Zhou, Ramanan Srithathan, Arjun Abayasingam and Qi Hao Yin. The team so far is undefeated in the competition. This new team is coached by Mr Pearson.

The 2nd Grade Representative Team consists of :- Krishnath Maharasa(Captain), Peraveenan Jeyarasa (Vice Captain), Stanley Chen, Gordon Fu, Patrick He, Liam Heron, Dominic Huynh, Willian Nguyen, Santosh Sapkota, Mashrur Shan This team has found some of the competition challenging and will need to vastly improve if they are to make it through to the Semi Finals in 2013. This new team is also coached by Mr Pearson.

All members of these teams need to be congratulated for their continual display of sportsmanship and their competitive spirit. They are worthy representatives of the proud sporting heritage that has been established over the years from Homebush Boys High School.



Hao Yin, Libee Sukirthan, Ramanan Srirathan, Arjun Abayasingam, Willis Choi, Ian Zhou



Jump serve from Ian Zhou



Open Rep KO Volleyball



B VOLLEYBALL Dom Huynh, Mashrur Shan, Peraveenan Jeyarasa, Patrick He, William Huynh, Stanley Chen, Gordon Fu, Krish Maharasa, Liam Heron



Centre Spike by Libee Sukirthan set up by Willis Choi



Spike from Libee Sukirthan,

YEAR 12 YEAR ADVISER'S SPEECH

Good morning Mr Jurd, special guests, staff, parents and most importantly year 12, 2012.

Change, it's how we deal with it that helps define who we really are. Along your schooling career you have experienced many changes. At the end of year 7 you changed schools with Ms Hava, in year 8 you earned a promotion with Mr Sculthorpe.

This is where I came in. I willingly jumped in with both feet and eyes wide open. I was told many good things from your previous year advisers and a few home truths too.

We travelled along Homebush Avenue for the next two years with only minor bumps, crossings and the occasional doughnut. You gained even more life experiences with more when I went on leave to have baby, and then another with Ms Dalgleigsh, and yet another Ms Brown. By term 4 2011 you were up to your 6th year adviser with Mr Innasi. So all up that's a change in schools, three babies and a promotion.

I returned from leave to find my little boys had changed into unrecognisable men, and I couldn't be more proud. Having had so many year advisers along the way says to me that you are all a great bunch of guys and that people have jumped at the opportunity to get involved in your lives in some way shape or form. You should feel blessed that so many people wanted to take an active role in being part of your lives. I feel that your lives are all the richer for having 6 year advisers and not just one.

As you approach the final destination in your schooling career here at Homebush Boys I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for a wonderful experience. My life has been enriched by knowing each and every one of you. There are too many memories and to go through now but I will cherish them. I feel sad to say goodbye, but I know it's the way of life and all good things must come to an end. All the changes you have experienced from physical, social and emotional to year advisers and now the HSC and beyond have helped define you as wonderful young men of which I am extremely proud.

I would like to wish you all the best for your HSC exams and your future endeavours, wherever they may take you. Farewell.







Ms Chapman



CAPTAIN'S SPEECH PHILLIP SIOMOS

Before I begin I would like to acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land, of elders past and present of the Wangl people on which this ceremony takes place, and would like to extend my respects to any Aboriginal people present today.

Good Afternoon Ladies and Gentlemen, Distinguished guests and fellow Year 12 Students,

It's staggering to think that six years have passed since we walked through those doors, wide eyed and ready for the long journey that awaited us. While it seems that no time at all has passed since that day, change has been central to our development. I look around and I see men; men so different to the children we used to be.

It's astonishing to think just six years ago this school was unfamiliar. We found ourselves on that first day meeting new people; however little did we think or know that our lives were to be fundamentally altered by these same people. Despite containing over 200 boys within the year, something that many other schools around the state can't match, the sense of collective belonging we share as a group is remarkable. It has been an honour to represent the class of 2012.

Within this year group there have been some remarkable achievements both individually and collectively. Within the school and the community, we have been recognised as achieving things that exceed the expectations of our region and our state.

The school has always had a proud sporting history. On a state and regional level, this year's group, as individuals or as part of a team, have cemented the perception of Homebush being a high-quality sporting school.

However, students within the year have been eager to participate across a range of activities both on an academic and community level. These individuals should be afforded the greatest acknowledgement for their efforts, not only for their academic achievements, their standing within the community but also for enhancing the reputation of our school. These activities have included blood donations, red shield appeals, debating, public speaking, and the internationally recognised RoboCup.

This brings me to an aspect of our school that has been very important to me and I'm sure 25 others as well. To the prefects- thank you for your efforts; you have all served as honourable students who have given great service to the school. The times we shared on Prefect camp when many of us overcame fears and went to new heights in terms of our leadership and teamwork skills will never be forgotten.

I came into the role of School Captain with the support of my prefect body to achieve three main goals.

The first was that I wanted to increase the level of community participation and involvement. This we achieved. All prefects willingly participated in a number of events and fundraisers for the school and for the Homebush community, in doing so furthering the standing and reputation of our school within our community.

The second objective was the improvement of school relations, particularly with Strathfield Girls High School and with non-government schools within our area, such as PLC, MLC, Donremy College and others. Early in 2012 we held an Afternoon Tea here at the school to foster the development of friendships between students. Our aim was not only to improve the relationships between the schools but to also foster relationships that would benefit the leadership capabilities of our fellow prefects post high school. It significantly improved the reputation and perception of our school in eyes of the community and other schools be they government, independent and catholic. This initiative I'm sure will benefit future prefect bodies.

This brings me onto my third goal and most critical. Critical not only to me but for our generation. The development of students into multi-faceted leaders is important. I'm not advocating that everyone here has to become a politician but they should seek to take up leadership roles. Because in the modern world, the perception is that we are lacking proper leadership. What I have seen from the 2012 student body is that in their own individual way they are all leaders. Each student here has developed their own style of leadership. As for the prefects, I can proudly say have all become true leaders in their own right.

I also want to take this opportunity to thank a number of people within the student body and importantly some key members of staff.

Firstly, I want to express my sincere gratitude to my Vice Captain Ali El-Kheir and Senior Prefect Timothy Mitry. Both of you have served the prefect body and the school honourably and for that I am grateful. The prefect experience has allowed us to bond and establish a friendship that I will never forget. I wish you both luck in your future endeavours.

To show my gratitude I would like to present you with a small gift.

I would also like to thank Ms Horiatopoulos for her mentoring of the prefect body; Ali, Tim and I in particular are grateful for the extra time you have spent in assisting us in organising the events and fundraisers over the year. I know that all of the prefects have appreciated your wisdom that has allowed us to develop as leaders.

I would also like to thank the executive of the school who over the past 6 years have served as mentors in our academic and social development. A special mention to those who have ensured our time at Homebush Boys has been worthwhile - Mr Jurd, Ms Dwyer and Mr Kurshed and all the department heads. Thank you for all your hard work and assistance in our last year at Homebush. However a special mention must also be made to two executive members who are no longer here at Homebush; Dr Paterson and Mr Hilliard who had a significant influence on all of us here at Homebush. Our time at Homebush Boys would not have been as rewarding if it were not for the support and input that we received from the professional teachers that grace the corridors of this fine school. To show our appreciation, on behalf of the student body, I would like to present to the school \$800 towards school investment to ensure future students are afforded a greater level of assistance in their development.

I want to thank all of our year advisors who selflessly put in extra time from their regular teaching roles to guide us. I want to especially thank Ms Chapman who has been our year advisor for the bulk of our schooling experience. Ms

Chapman as a teacher, year advisor and mentor, has worked diligently to ensure that we reached our full potential not just academically but socially as well.

Our school embodies a harmonious and racially tolerant society where people of different races and religions are aware of one another's beliefs, values and ethics. We have demonstrated this through the various harmony days that have we held at the school, the organisation of the Christian EDGE group and also the recent Ramadan Iftar function. But the school has also facilitated for religious traditions for example Muslim students, by catering for prayers to be undertaken at school. Our school is all about respecting our differences and celebrating the things we have in common. It encourages the notion that we are one in the same, despite our religious differences we all hold the same values.

Parents, I am a strong supporter of the notion that the greatest investment in life is an investment in one's children. From my experience at Homebush Boys High School and from my knowledge of the education systems in place and how the dedicated staff have worked to cater for the individual needs of each student, I can assure you that the return on your investment has been worthwhile.

The school has facilitated the growth of a number of key attributes which will further improve the growth of your assets, yes your children. Some attributes that I speak of include teamwork, leadership, tolerance, responsibility and diligence. However, the school's motto sums up the school's influence on the development of every student. Recte et Fortiter- Latin for "With courage and integrity". This is the mantra of the Homebush Boys schooling system and the cornerstone of the success that students have had post-Homebush Boys. Students leave the school with moral foundations that have been built by the school and its teachers.

Whilst reading the first Homebush Boys magazine, I came across I quote by the then Headmaster Mr W. Roberts, whose message transcends time and I believe is still relevant today. He states "The two greatest enemies of society today are disease and ignorance... The aim of the school is to develop a healthy mind in a healthy body... it aims also at the ennobling of character by inculcation of high ideals, that will not only guide its boys but make them a distinct influence for the good of society." Over its 76 years educating students, Homebush has and still does develop its students into morally upright individuals, and there is no doubt that it will continue to do so.

Boys there are memories of our time at Homebush Boys High School that we will cherish forever. Be it the camps we went on, the lessons that built the foundations of our knowledge or the lunchtimes playing football, handball or just chatting to your friends; I will tell you now, Homebush Boys is more than a school; it will forever be with you. This is something I learnt from Old Boys during the 75th Anniversary Year but also from my father, brothers and uncles who all appreciate and never forget their Homebush experience.

I will finish by uttering that immortal phrase that I believe embodies the true spirit of a student at Homebush Boys. It symbolises an undying spirit, a passion so deep, a loyalty so strong that you should never forget that "Once a Bushy Boy, Always a Bushy Boy!"

Thank you, I wish you all success in the future and I hope to see you soon!

YEAR 12 GRADUATION

Information & Communication Technology Award Shinoy Jacob Equal First in Chinese (Background Speakers) Ding Yu **Excellence in Robotics** Thomas Goth-Towney Equal First in Chinese (Background Speakers) Lingjie Yu First in Physics Aar on Park First in Italian (Continuers) Giordano Verrrelli First in Chemistry endan Trinh First in Italian (Beginners) Kevin Tanu First in Extension 1 Mathematics **Daniel Collis** First in Software Design & Development First in Studies of Religion I William Huynh First in Information Processes & Technology Craftsman Award Kevin Lee First in History Extension Lachlan Foster First in Geography Н illman Pan First in Biology Saif Ali First in Music 1 First in Standard English Vishal Kiritharan First in Drama Daniel Parkee First in ESL English Jonathon Liu First in Economics The Rhonda Roberts Memorial Award for First in Visual Arts Jer emy Chung Equal First in Advanced English Cameron Kopecny First in Senior Science Agron Cela First in Ancient History First in Business Studies **Hugh Blaxland** First in General Mathematics Dvlan Wiiesekera First in Extension 2 Mathematics First in Sports Fitness and Recreation Raymond Xian First in Engineering Studies Derek Wona First in VET Hospitality Ishwarva Dogra First in PD/H/PE

First in Legal Studies The John Taggart Memorial Award (Timber Products & Furniture Industries) Scott Bunch For Excellence in Social Sciences Most Outstanding Design Project (Timber) Hassan Koussan First in Mathematics First in Modern History First in Earth and Environmental Science Martin Lee

First in Extension 1 English The Rhonda Roberts Memorial Award for First in Extension 2 English Aleks Wynne Equal First in Advanced English First in Information Technology (VET) Muheimen Rahman

Sarat Panangipalli

Parkee

Koussan

CO-CURRICULAR, CITIZENSHIP & SCHOOL SERVICE AWARDS

Senior Public Speaking Award Senior Chess Award **Soros Family Award for Public Relations** Richard Li

Services to Drum Corps

Meritorious Service to the School Churton Family Shield Best All Rounder Tim Mitry

Services to Drum Corps Jack Zhang **Services to Drum Corps**

Outstanding Contribution to the School Meritorious Service to the School Bandsman of the Year (Drum Corps) The Long Tan Leadership & Teamwork Award Old Boy Prize for All Round Merit

First in Industrial Technology

Services to the Drum Corps

Meritorious Service to the School **Daniel Collis**

Services to the School Band/Meritorious Service to the School R io Kang

Bandsman of the Year Meritorious Service to the School 100% Attendance Award, Semester 1, 2012 Caltex Best All Rounder Medal

Senior Debating Award Exemplary School Performance F rank Day

Senior Debating Award/Meritorious Service to the School Aleks

Senior Debating Award/The Reuben F Scarf Award for Commitment /Soros **Family Award for Public Relations** Lachlan Foste

Senior Chess Award/Exemplary School Performance/Meritorious Service to the School Kesha v Bhrugubanda

Senior Chess Award Arun Abavasingam ew Truona

Senior Chess Award/100% Attendance Award, Semester 1, 2012/100% Attendance Award, Whole Year 2012

Citizenship Prize

Pierre De Coubertin Award

Soros Family Award for Public Relations Thomas Goth-Towney Hassan

Outstanding Contribution to the School Scott Bunch **Outstanding Contribution to the School**

Old Boy Prize for All Round Merit Meritorious Service to the School Cameron Kopecny

Old Boy Prize for All Round Merit

Raymond Xian/Saif Ali /Indranil Chowdhury /William Luo

Phillip Siomos

Frank Day

Edward Lai

Nirosan Johnpeter

Churton Family Shield Best All Rounder 100% Attendance Award, Semester 1, 2012

Churton Family Shield Best All Rounder Exemplary School Performance Br endan Trinh Exemplary School Performance Aar on Park

Churton Family Shield Best All Rounder Harsimrandeep Singh Services to Graduation Day Kogulan Ramachandran

Meritorious Service to the School 100% Attendance Award, Semester 1, 2012 Johnny Chen

Meritorious Service to the School

Raghav Sareen / Andrew Zhang / Mikhail Ozdemir/ William Huynh

Peer Tutor Appreciation Trophy

Jonathan Cao/Pratik Kar/Matieen Smith/William Wu/James Ren/ Fahim Takbir

Peer Tutor Appreciation Trophy 100% Attendance Award, Semester 1, 2012 100% Attendance Award, Whole Year 2012

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100% Attendance Award, Whole Year 2012 Kurstan Hu

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100% Attendance Award, Whole Year 2012 Michael Wu

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Anthony Tang

Senior Debating Award
Outstanding Contribution to the School
Meritorious Service to the School
P & C Award for Most Outstanding Boy in the School

Phillip Siomos

Frank Jiang

Varun Chilakapati

Vishal Kiritharan

















































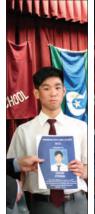


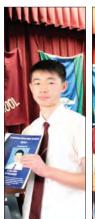
















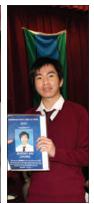






































































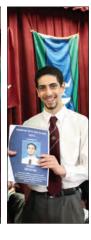




















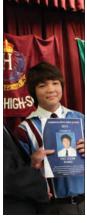


















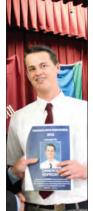










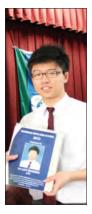












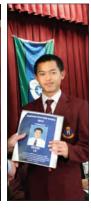








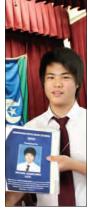














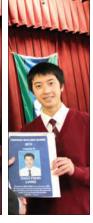






































































































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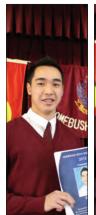
















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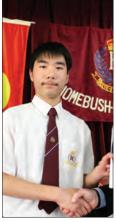


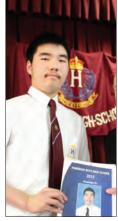




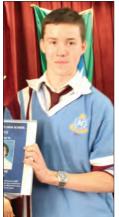










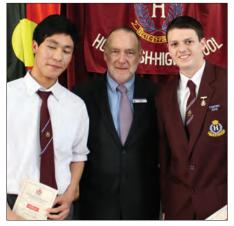








Mrs Shadwick receives flowers for her work on Year 12 Graduation Ceremony.



Mr Jurd congratulates Philip and Derek on their achievements.



Ms Horiatopoulos receives some flowers from Ali on behalf of the prefects.

VICE-CAPTAINS SPEECH

As you inhale the odour of your senior year for the last time, I'm sure there are many burning questions racing through your minds: "Will I find my place in the world?" If you're lucky. "Will the upcoming junior years be as great as year 12 of 2012"? Undoubtedly. "Who is that incredibly handsome young man addressing us, and how long do we have the privilege of listening to him?"

When I first came to Homebush Boys, like every other student I was scared about entering a new phase in my life, but mainly about the large figure that stood before us screaming out orders, known as Mr Hilliard. However, this feeling of anxiety disappeared when I saw a group of Arab boys hanging in the corner who I knew would be my new family for the next 6 years. Homebush Boys is a school which acknowledges a diversity of cultures and allows us all to come as one everyday as we wear our uniform proudly. As the vice captain of Homebush Boys, undoubtedly according to any student, it is the staff that makes us look forward to coming to school everyday, not only because they provide us with an education, but with the friendship developed that has allowed us to proudly call them not only our teachers but also our family.

A wise man once said (this wasn't me, however, nor Mr Khurshed) that "if a person was to teach me just one letter, I shall be a slave to him." Even though we may not realise as students what our teachers have provided us with, I guess its why we're still here today and even though some students including myself have had our ups and downs with some staff, all apologies must be recognised today. I am most proud to stand before everyone at this moment and realise how lucky I am to be a student of Homebush Boys and with the all the opportunities such as sporting, leadership and community services that the school has allowed us to contribute to.

Most importantly, I would like to base my speech around the staff and what they have done for us all during our high school years. I guess we could all give thanks to the ones who have taught us and those who have strived in order for our success. Who could ever forget such lovely teachers like Ms Degney, Ms McGuinness and Ms Horiatopoulos who treat us like their own children and we could call them 'mum'? But it's not just three teachers that make Homebush Boys such a highly reputable school, it is the staff as a whole that has made us enjoy school everyday. Mr Elaro and his jokes that lead the Oztag team to victory. Even though some people make fun of your jokes sir, I bet you everyone is going to be using them as pick up lines on

the girls they meet at uni and claim them as their own.

When Mr Hilliard left, everyone thought Homebush Boys would become a juvenile justice centre until Mr Khurshed came along, and made it even worse. Even though we didn't get to spend much time together, we had a 'Bunch' of fun and you taught me that when I see a pretty lady I should Umm... compliment her on how good her hair smells. And then there was the loss of another great teacher, Mr Ron Tedford who did his utmost to provide Homebush Boys with the best sporting opportunities and name. Who better was there to replace him besides Mr Belgre, a competitive figure who endeavours for victory and success on the sporting field and to uphold Homebush Boys status as a rivalry for all those who come in its way?

During this moment, I would like all the prefects and all those who have had Ms Horiatopolous as a teacher to recognise all the opportunities she has provided us with. A teacher who has been there for us prefects every morning, always entering with a charitable smile on her face that could light up any individual's day and who has provided me with great opportunities to be a leader for the school and my peers. I would like to call Ms Horiatopolous up to the stage to receive this small gift and thank her for all she has done for us.

Homebush Boys has also privileged us other great teachers like Mr Wilson history and Mr Wilson PE. It must be a Wilson genetic that makes them such exceptional teachers and idols for us young men to look up to for the future. Furthermore, there also come Mr Balan who generally forgets all of our names and refers to us as 'boy' or 'son' and Ms Gabor, a beautiful languages teacher who has taught us all Bonjour Madam. The small year 12 Muslim group would also like to thank Mr Abbou for putting up with us over the years and the morals he has taught us during lunch time lectures that we can uphold for the rest of our lives.

I would like to apologise to any staff that I have missed as there is not one teacher in this school that does not deserve a mention for what they have provided the boys with over the years and what they have taught us. Not only is it the staff that makes Homebush Boys such a well renowned school but it is the ones at the top who keep this school intact. We would like to thank Ms Dwyer for all her contribution to our school career and for ruining all the handball games during free periods. You have been a great deputy over the years and have stabilised the school and kept all the boys on track with your assertive character.

If there was a magazine for the best looking 35 year old, I am more than confident that Mr Jurd would be on the front page. I don't believe there is anybody better to fill in the position of the greatest principal a school could possibly have. On behalf of the school as a whole I would like to thank you for the

successful year that you have delivered to us as well as all the previous years. We also thank you for the opportunities we have been offered with and the success you wish us in the future.

The most important figure towards year 12 may be identified as Ms Chapman. Even though since year 7 we have had four different year advisers, it is certain that you were the best one we have had. The school is lucky to have such an amazing teacher and our year is even luckier to have you as our year adviser. On behalf of the year 12 body, I would like to thank you for always being there for us and present you with this small token of gratitude for the work you have done.

Most graduation speeches are about unity and how close we've become as a year. I don't think that this applies to us. Instead, I think we've all become close as individuals, not because of some imaginary entity we all belong to, but because of who we are. But that is what's important. In 10 years, we'll be remembering the individual relationships we all had and the times we all shared. As I stand before you all today, I reminisce about the time when we first entered the school as small boys, except for Oussama Lattab and Scott Bunch who have always been big. Now as I look around the room, I see a group of men who are going to be exceptional people. I wish everyone a great future, an excellent HSC mark and most importantly a blessed and healthy life.

Who could forget the great times we spent as one and the boys who have attended this school like Mohamed El Helou and Youssef Sarakbi, or forget Youssef Morgan's rugby chant "when I say Home, you say bush?" I hope we can all meet again in the near future and spend time together like we have over the years because "once a bushy boy, always a bushy boy".

Ali El Kheir



Ali at the Year 12 Farewell Assembly

THE LAST DAY































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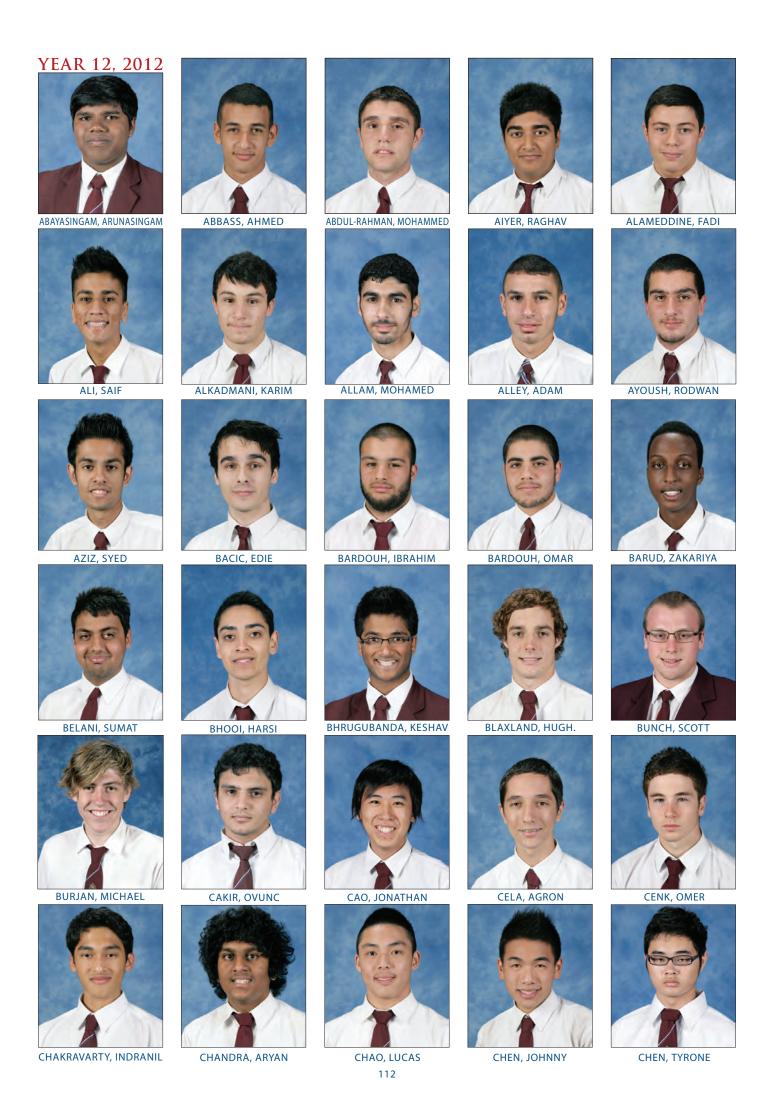


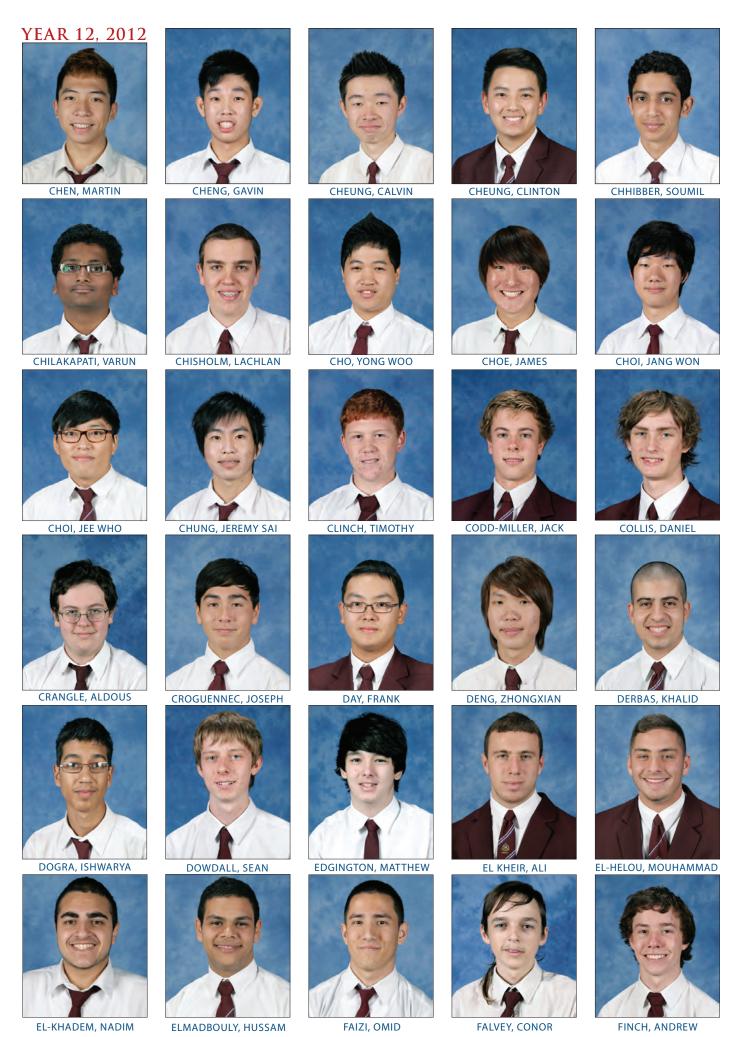


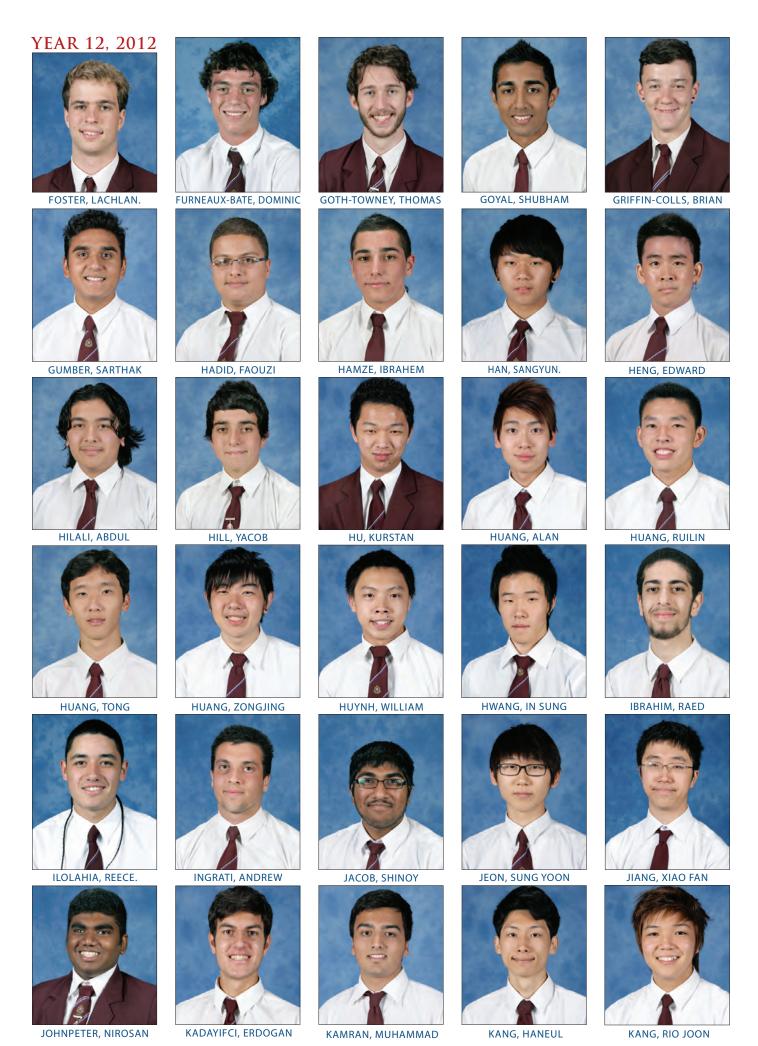


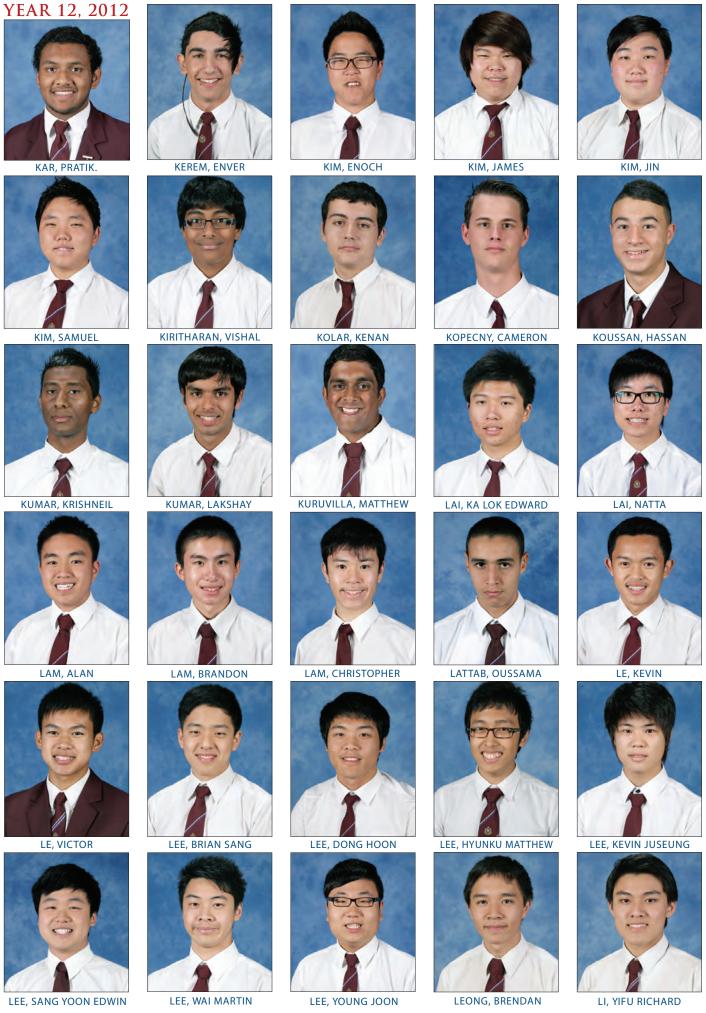


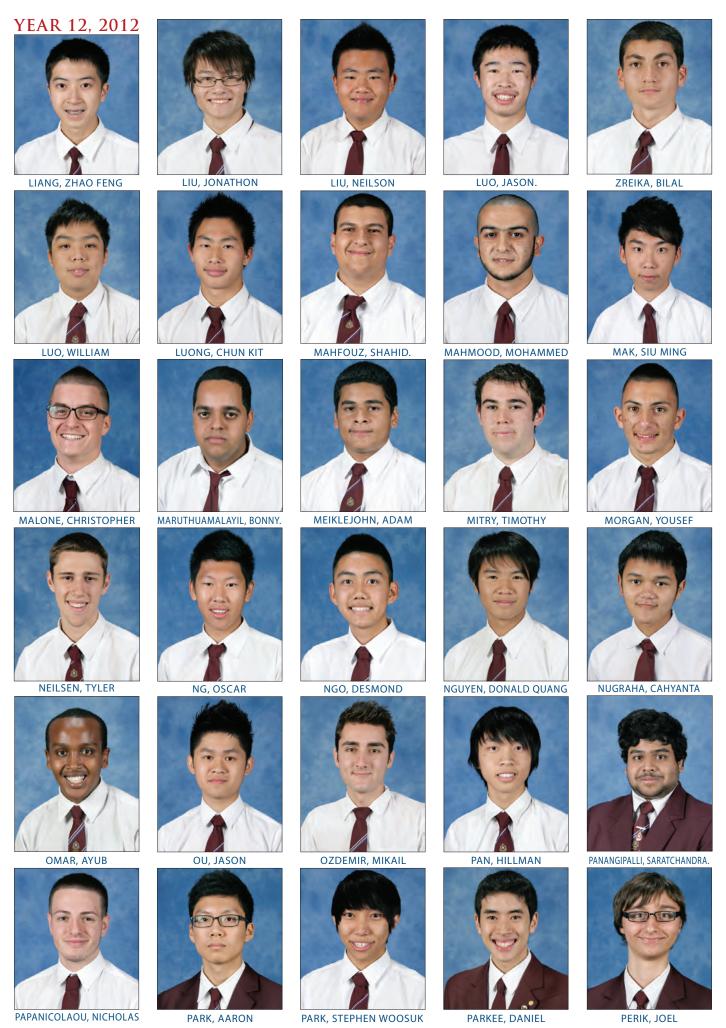


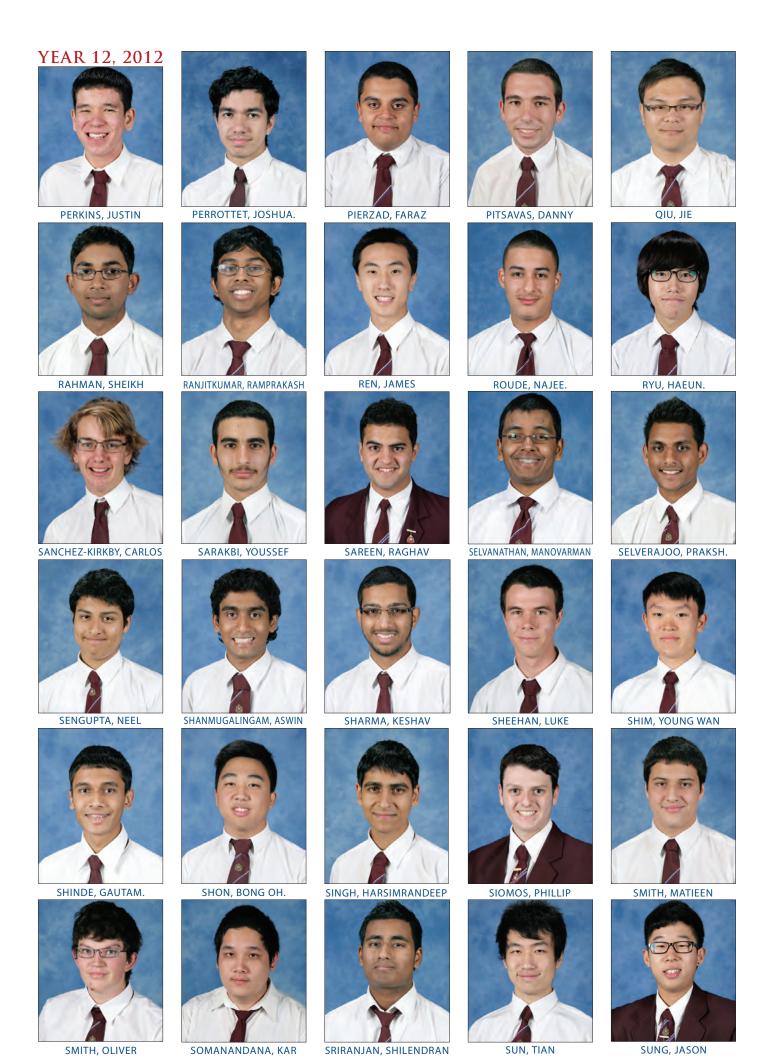


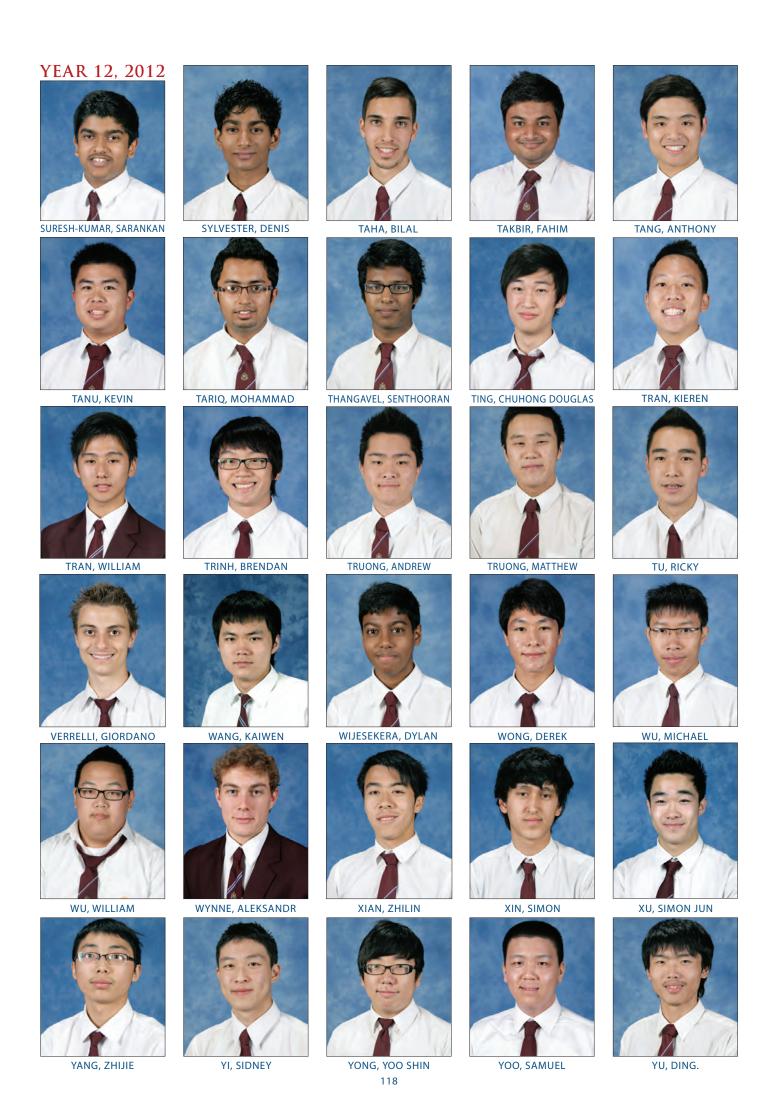












YEAR 12, 2012







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ZHANG, PHILIP



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ZHENG, XIAOLEI



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E-SONTER, JAMES



RAMACHANDRAN, KOGULAN



CHEN, ALLAN

SENIOR PREFECT'S SPEECH

Well. This is it. Here we are. We've finally made it to the finish line.

Before we leave the hallways and rooms of this school, we must express a great deal of gratitude. We've grown and matured -well some of us have - since year seven. Right now we look at year sevens and say 'Oh we were never that small, or that childish', but I'm sure many of our teachers will assure us that we were.

For the past six years, we have been nurtured and supported by our teachers. I attempted to do some calculations last night on how much time we've spent at school, and even though I don't do Maths I'm pretty sure this is right: we've spent about six and a half thousand hours at school. I'm also pretty proud to say I did that in five minutes. In all those hours we have all grown together into a community.

Of all the schools to have gone to, I will say that I am glad to have gone to Homebush Boys. It really is a fantastic place and I'm sure all the students will agree. The school corridors are filled with the history of past students and our many sporting and academic achievements. The teachers here are fantastic. Forever I will recall Mr Hilliard's stories; I will fondly remember the sound of Mrs Degney's voice from ten rooms away.

I commend the teaching staff; they have given us nothing but their complete dedication and service. I cannot thank them enough for their patience in dealing with raucous and troublesome students each week, and marking what seems like a never ending stream of homework...they must do it for the money.

We've been taught more than just Maths,

English and History here, we've been taught life lessons and skills that will remain with us for our lives. We've learnt peer to peer interaction and communication, social skills, values and the 5Ts (No Touching, No Taking, No Truancy, No Teasing and DO TUCK YOUR SHIRT IN), though I won't embarrass us by asking the boys to recite them.

We are all moving onto another chapter of our lives. Sadly, we must end this one, and turn the page. But we can rejoice in the fact that the next chapter is unwritten and up to us. It is only because of this school that we are armed with a pen and pencil to do so.

On behalf of Year 12, the class of 2012 would like to thank the teaching staff, the ladies at the front office, the Principal and Deputy Principals, as well as the staff who keep our school clean and the contribution of parents to the school.

Thank you for taking us in as boys, keeping us for six years, and turning us into men. Thank you for caring for us. Thank you for the memories. Memories not necessarily from the classroom, but memories of the people you're sitting next to right now – games on the southern grass, handball on the courts, basketball in the gyms, bronze awards (haven't gotten any of them lately), marks, camps, sporting teams, Friday assemblies- the list goes on.

So, with that I would like to wish everybody here the best of luck, really I hope you all achieve your goals.

Homebush. I'm going to miss you.

Tim Mitry







Guess who? Year 7 students 2007.





























































YEAR 12 SPORTS AWARDS

Best & Fairest - Senior AFL Captain's Banner- Howe House

Bilal Taha

Captain's Banner- Greening House

Sydney Yi

Captain's Banner-1st Grade Volleyball Jack

Codd-Miller

Captain's Banner - Senior Baseball

Oliver Smith uke Sheehan

Captain's Banner- 1st Grade Tennis (Summer) Shubham Goyal

Captain's Banner - Senior Hockey

Lachlan Foster

Best & Fairest - Senior Lawn Bowls

Richard Li

Captain's Banner - Senior Lawn Bowls

Vishal Kiritharan

Captain's Banner-1st Grade Cricket

Briars Cricket Shield-Best & Fairest 1st Grade Cricket Soumil Chhibber

Best & Fairest - 2nd Grade Cricket

Tyler Neilsen

Captain's Banner - Senior Oz Tag Captain's Banner-1st Grade Rugby

Captain's Banner-Hayes House

Ali El Kheir

Captain's Banner-Vaughan House

Scott Bunch

Best & Fairest - Senior Futsal (Indoor Soccer) En ver Kerem

Best & Fairest - 1st Grade Table Tennis

Captain's Banner - 1st Grade Table Tennis L eo Liang

Best & Fairest - 2nd Grade Table Tennis R

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Drummoyne Rugby Union Trophy - Most Improved 1st Grade Rugby

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Drummoyne Rugby Union Trophy - Best & Fairest 1st Grade Rugby Blaxland

KJ Myers Trophy – Most Outstanding Sportsman for Summer Sport &

Rugby/Five Dock Trophy-Best & Fairest Oz Tag

Reece/Ilohahia

Five Dock Trophy-Best & Fairest Oz Tag

Hassan Koussan

Best & Fairest - 1st Grade Badminton Donald

Nguyen

Captain's Banner-1st Grade Badminton K

urstan Hu

Old Boys Cricket Trophy-Champion Athlete Vaughan House

Sutton Trophy- Champion Athlete 17+ years **AP Ward Trophy- Cross Country Champion**

Best & Fairest - Senior AFL

Dominic Furneaux-Bate

Griffin-Colls

Captain's Banner-1st Grade Football

Doug Thornton Trophy-Best & Fairest 1st Grade Football

Captain's Banner- Senior Fursal (Indoor Soccer)

Eastwood Rugby Union Club Trophy-Senior Sportsman of the Year

Brian

Best & Fairest - 1st Grade Table Tennis

Rio Kang

PRINCIPAL'S MEDALS AND AWARDS

2 Principal's Medals and 4 Gold awards

2 Principal's Medals and 2 Gold Awards

William Tran/Mikail Ozdemir

2 Principal's Medals and 3 Gold Awards Daniel Parkee/Sarat Panangipalli

Jason Luo/Donald Nguyen Johnny Chen/Brian Griffn-Colls

Principal's Medal and 2 Gold Awards

Friitipal's Media and 2 Guid Wards Philip Zhang/Anthony Tang/Hillman Pang/Leo Liang/Kurstan Hu/Manovarman Selvanathan/Soumil Chhibber/Andrew Zhang/Denis Sylester/Richard Li/Anto Nugraha/Adam Meiklejohn/Kelvin Luong Brendon Luong/Raymond Xian/Indranii Chakravarty/Raghav Sareen/Ashwin Shammugalingam/Mat-thew Edgington/Jack Zhang/Tong Huang/Andrew Ingrati/Sam Zhang/Victor Le/Kogulan Ramachandran

Principal's Medal and Gold Award Martin Lee/Phillip Siomos/Sarankan Suresh-Kumar/Dylan Wijesekera/Sydney Yi/Aaron Park/Agron Cela/Raed Ibrahim/Kevin Le/Daniel Collis

Principal's Medal

rank Jiang/Shahid Mahfouz

Gold Award

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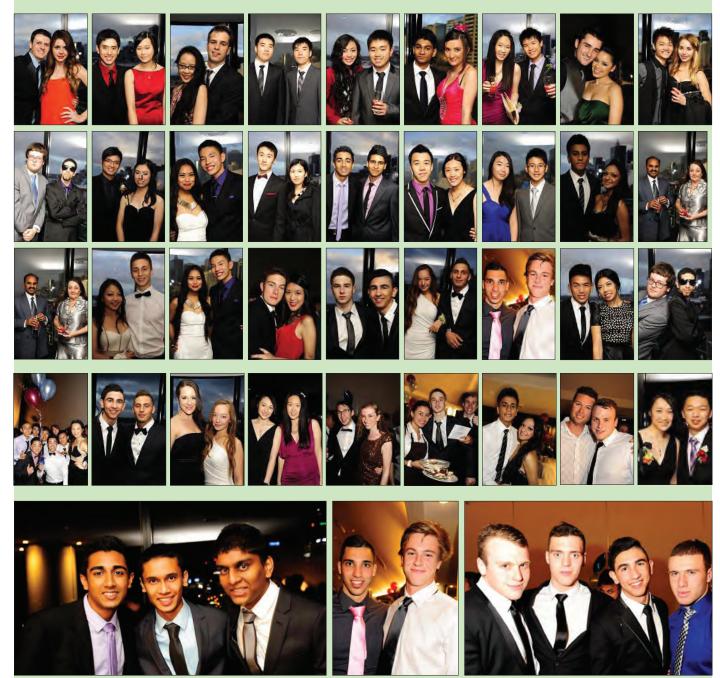






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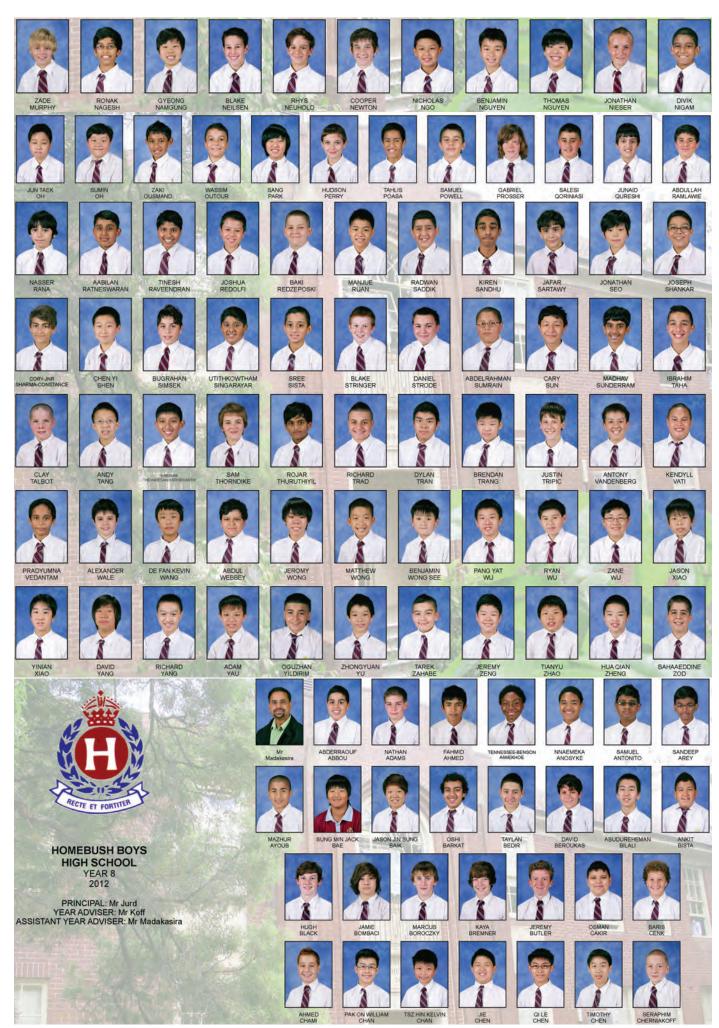




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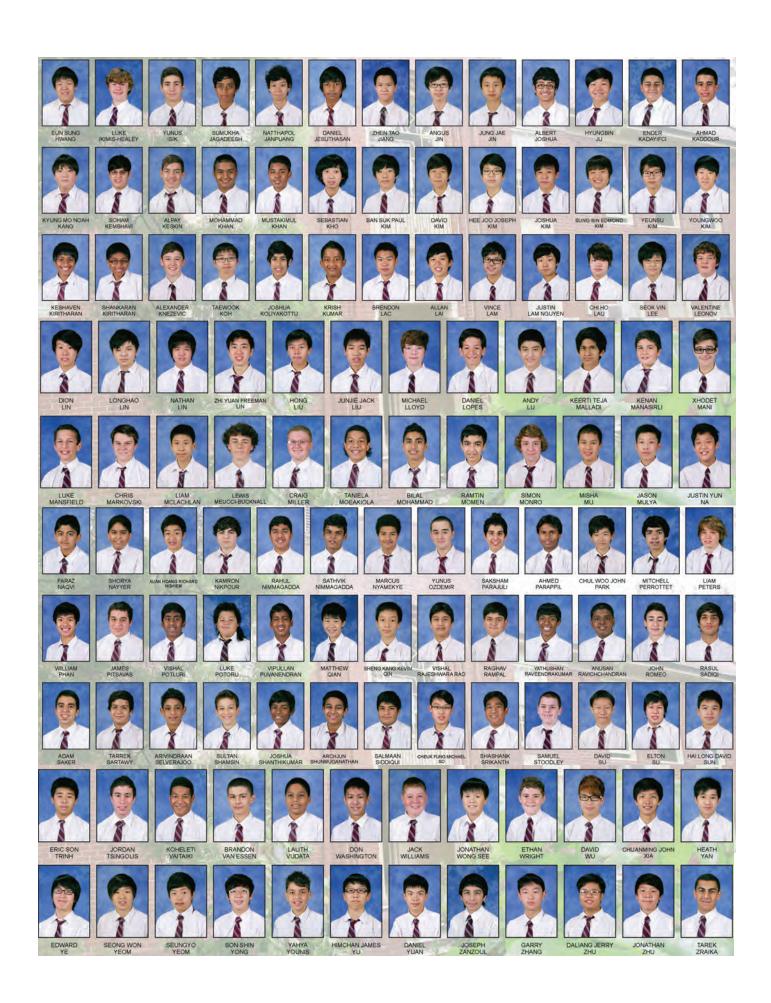






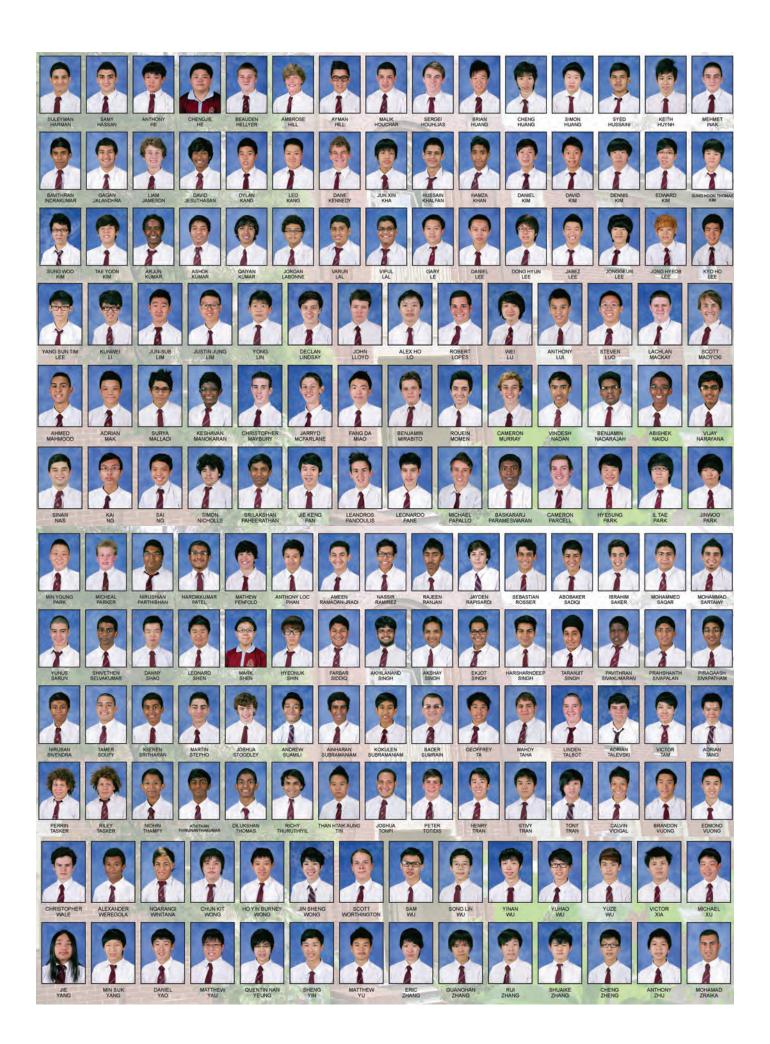












AROUND THE SCHOOL





























Menan is a new learner of English and came to HBHS midway through Term 1. As you can tell his language skills are progressing well, especially considering the short time he has been in this country. The text has not been edited but is in its original form, as written by Menan. Modesty prevents his teachers from revealing their names!

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REPORT ON YEAR 7 ENGLISH

Introduction

At Homebush Boys High School, I have been studying in Year 7. My name is Menan Kannathasan. I was one of the many brave students in year 7. My English class's name is 7GENG. This class isn't just for normal people. This class is for genius people like us. For this reason our class called '7GENG'. We had two wonderful teachers. They are Mrs M... and Mrs H.... They are such wonderful angels. They show us the correct path for our personal best. Our teachers make us stand to the very best level.

Our teachers donated their hard work and time to teach us many skills that we needed for our future. Throughout the year we slowly started to build up our skills. They taught us speech writing, narratives, poetry, film study and drama skills. Speech writing helped us improve writing and speaking skills. Narratives helped us to bring our imagination alive. Poetry helped us to learn different language techniques. Film study gave us an understanding of how films made. Drama helped us to show our talents that been hidden for years, trying to come alive.

TOPIC 1

Writing a speech, not really my thing. At the start I found very difficult to write because I was one of the student who struggles to learn English. That worried me a lot. My teachers came and helped me, gave me feedback about the speech. They helped me all the way through. Surprisingly I did a really good speech at the end of that chapter. I wonder how they do it. That's the hidden power every teacher has.

TOPIC 2

Narratives are the best. It makes my imagination go wild. Narratives helped me improve my reading & writing skills. I performed really well in this topic. I learn how to use adjective, simile, metaphor and many more language techniques to create an interesting story. One the best narrative that I really enjoyed beneath my heart is called 'Parvana'. This story is about an Afghan girl who risks her life to protect her family. It was a sad, heart-warming that broke my heart, but I really enjoyed it.

TOPIC 3

Poetry is a wonderful topic. I love poetry. It can be in different feeling, tempo and theme. But I kind of find it hard because there are a lot of words that I don't know. I found it hard to understand it. Over time my teachers helped me get to know the hard words. We did many activities to sharpen our brains. We did poems like 'Shingle', 'The Eagle', 'Quieter than Snow', 'A bight of Australia', 'The Beach', 'The Sea' and 'The Sunbather'. These poems were really good. From this topic I learnt adjectives, metaphors, simile, personification, alliteration, assonance, onomatopeia and many more. I think I worked very well in this topic. Thanks to my teachers for helping me through.

TOPIC 4

Drama is the most fun topic I ever had. It showed me that I had the talent of making and acting a play. I never thought drama could be this much fun. I learnt lots of things like the basic structure of a play and its body. The thing that I really enjoyed is making our own play and acting them to the class. I worked really hard to make the play. Teachers showed me my basic structure to make the play. This topic was an absolute best.

Conclusion

This year had been an amazing adventure throughout the year. I improved a lot that I ever could imagine in English. I started to come out of my shell. I showed to others that I have talent and I'm good at English. This time I met good friends. I liked doing activities and vocabulary best. Thanks to my teachers and their dedication towards me. They showed me how I can improve. They made me achieve my personal best in year 7.

Recommendations

Next year I would like to see that like my teachers, other teachers teach to next year's year 7 students the same way they did for us. It would be a pleasure seeing teachers working hard for the new arrivals of year 7 student. The changes I would suggest will be more class work than home work. In class time students have many possibilities to ask doubt or questions. They will also try to do by themselves rather than going home and getting help from parents or from educational technology. The way how the teachers dedicate and explain to the students was the thing that liked the most. The least thing that I liked would be nothing at all. Overall this year has been fantastic and phenomenon experience.

MULTICULTURAL DAY LUNCH











THE DRUM CORPS



Front Row:Jayanth KUMARALINGAM, Arjunasingam ABAYASINGAM, Saratchandra PANANGIPALLI, Timothy MITRY, Daniel COLLIS, Scott WORTHINGTON, Vidhushan PAHEERATHAN, Pavithran SIVAKUMARAN, Athithan THIRUNANTHAKUMAR
Second Row:Mr Jurd, Emmanuel EKWENSI, Yifu Richard LI, Ambrose HILL, Jack Zi ZHANG, Christopher WALE, Izaac FOSTER, Ms Horiatopoulos Third Row:Utithkowtham SINGARAYAR, Zubin Jacob MATHEW, Shubhankar VERMA, Jathurson SUBACHANDRAN, Kendyll VATI, Akul PANDI Fourth Row:Perrin TASKER, Ananth KUMARALINGAM, Sivasai THARMARAJAH, Panayioti CONSTANTI, Riley TASKER







Sarat Panangipalli



Richard Li



Jack Zhang



Daniel Collis



We farewell the Year 12 members of the Drum Corps.