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# The Figtree

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## July 2015



## Variety Night 2015

**Skoolbag App to your smartphone - Important update inside**

## DATES TO REMEMBER

<b>July 20</b> HSC Trial Exams start Regional Athletics (20 <sup>th</sup> & 21 <sup>st</sup> ) P&C Meeting	<b>July 25</b> P&C Working Bee
<b>August 12</b> Music Soirée	<b>August 17</b> P&C Meeting
<b>August 26</b> Yr7 Sports Gala Day MADD Night	<b>September 1</b> Grade Sports Finals
<b>September 3 &amp; 4</b> CHS Athletics	<b>September 5</b> 'Taste Fest'
<b>September 16</b> Yr12 Graduation Assembly	<b>September 18</b> Last Day of Term 3

### KEEP THE DATES

- HSC Trial Exams Start - July 20
- P&C Working Bee - July 25
- Music Soiree - August 12
- Year 12 Major Works Showcase (MADD) – August 26
- 'Taste Fest' – September 5



## Don't Be Late!

Hunters Hill High School Bell Times

Morning Warning Bells – 8.30 am & 8.44 am

Assembly / Roll Call Bell – 8.48 am



# FROM THE PRINCIPAL

**Welcome back** to our new term and all that it promises for our school community. My welcome extends to students who have joined our school community this term – you have joined a welcoming and inclusive community. Hopefully, the school holidays provided a slower pace and an opportunity for some rest and recreation. Despite the brisk weather, the term has started well with our staff and students refreshed and eager to embrace the term's challenges.

**A note of appreciation** to Mr Michael Murphy who relieved as Principal, Josh Gane, who returned as Relieving Deputy Principal and Greg Wade who assumed responsibility for the PD/H/PE and TAS Faculties during my leave at the end of last term. A glimpse at the school calendar and our June Figtree is a great reminder of those eventful final weeks of term.

**My particular thanks** to our Year 12 teachers who conducted workshops and tutorials for our Year 12 students during the holidays; also, to the students who availed themselves of this additional assistance. Together with their timetabled lessons, mentors and additional tutorials during term, this holiday commitment will benefit students during the Trial HSC which commences next week.

This term is particularly testing for our **Year 12 teachers and students**. Whilst all students must negotiate the Trial HSC, many students must finalise and submit their Major Works in the coming weeks. Focus and daily commitment are essential. Even after these significant milestones, students must direct their energies towards the October HSC examinations. Our students receive great support from our expert teachers and mentors; however, if parents identify that their child needs additional support, please access their teachers, Year Advisor, Mr Will Wong, our School Counsellor, Ms Elizabeth Shelley or Year 12 Deputy Principal, Mr Michael Murphy. It's important that we work together to ensure our students' HSC success!

Due to Ms Michelle Chiew's Maternity Leave, Mr Warren Pickles will lead the **Science Faculty** for the remainder of this year. Prior to Ms Chiew's leave, Mr Pickles and Ms Chiew worked together to ensure a seamless leadership transition. This planning, together with Warren's significant leadership experience and the addition of Mr Robert Bruce, will ensure that the Science Faculty continues to perform very capably.

Our annual Variety Night was one of the highlights of last term. My congratulations and thanks go to Ms Julia Brierty and the team of teachers and students who made the night possible. My particular thanks go to parent James Hurworth for his skill and generosity – James filmed the event and has developed a great record for all of us to enjoy.

We are working very hard to ensure that our **beautiful school grounds** are maintained to a high standard. Care for our environment is important. This care includes students using the bins which are provided throughout our school grounds for their litter. Unfortunately, the standards of home are not always practised at school so our teachers during their playground supervision, direct student to comply in this matter. Your support of this matter in conversations within your home would be appreciated. Our students are blessed to enjoy such beautiful environment every day.

For many years, parent Mr Neil Hopkins has led the P&C Grounds Committee which organises regular working bees. These working bees have made, and continue to make a significant and positive difference to our grounds. The next **Working Bee** will be held on **Saturday afternoon, July 25**, so come along in your work clothes, with gardening gloves and tools and enjoy the company of parents, teachers, community members and students who are contributing to our school community!

I trust everyone has saved the date for our **big 2015 P&C fundraiser, Taste Fest** which will be held in the Phil Daniels Pavilion on Saturday, September 5. It promises to be a great night so come along, support the great work of the P&C Events and Fundraising Committee and raise funds for your children's education. Please note details on the following pages.

I encourage your attendance at this month's **P&C meeting on Monday, July 20** in the Staff Common Room. Whilst there's an opportunity for a cup of tea and a chat before the meeting, the meeting commences at 7pm with a 20-30 minute Teacher Presentation. This month's Teacher Presentation is a great recognition and celebration of Public Education and, more particularly, Hunters Hill High School's future as the school's Beginning and Early Career Teachers will introduce themselves and outline their operation at Hunters Hill High. Due to another commitment, I'm unable to attend so Mr Murphy will represent me at this month's meeting.

**Judith Felton**

**Principal**

# P&C REPORT

At our last meeting we heard from Mr Josh Gane about the Bring Your Own Device policy. It was fascinating to be shown some of the new and innovative technology which is available for students.

To help the P&C determine priorities for funding, we are planning a walk around the school with Mr Michael Murphy on a Saturday afternoon this term (date to be confirmed). This will be an opportunity to actually see the areas which are in need of improvement. Anyone who is interested will be most welcome.

Representatives of the executive recently met with our local member, Mr Anthony Roberts to discuss a number of matters relating to our school including the possibility of a ferry service to improve access for students from Greenwich and the general issue of school capacity in the area. This was a very productive meeting and Mr Roberts expressed his strong support for the school.

Please join us at 6.30pm on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July for tea, coffee and a delicious bite to eat prior to the meeting. We will be introduced to some of the new teachers who have joined the staff this year, so come along and take the opportunity to meet them.

**Margaret Schnitzler**

**President, Hunters Hill High School P&C Association**

## International Students

Hunters Hill High School had the privilege of welcoming 15 new International Students this week!

Our newest school members have recently arrived from Japan, China, Italy, Korea and Germany, with the promise of enriching our school community, providing alternative perspectives and invigorating the learning culture of our classrooms.

Ruth Simpson

International Student Coordinator





HUNTERS HILL HIGH SCHOOL P&C FUNDRAISING PRESENTS

# Taste Fest



SATURDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER

7PM TO 11PM

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# HUNTERS HILL HIGH SCHOOL P & C

## 2015 FUNDRAISING RAFFLE

Drawn at the "Taste Fest" on 5<sup>th</sup> Sept, 2015

Tickets \$2

The P & C is running a raffle to raise money for the school and to assist in improving the school's resources. Please support your school by buying a book of tickets or selling them to family, friends and local community.

**There are 6 great prizes to be won:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Prize- Home Theatre System from Len Wallis Audio (RRP \$899)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize-Photography voucher from Aran Anderson Photography (\$260)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize- Restaurant voucher from Deckhouse Restaurant (\$200)
- 4<sup>th</sup> Prize-Facial voucher from The Beautician Lane Cove West (\$100)
- 5<sup>th</sup> Prize- Handmade Del Solar Chocolates (\$50)
- 6<sup>th</sup> Prize- Zapparellis Pizzeria Voucher (\$30)

**Please contact P & C Events and Fundraising Coordinator, Anthea Murray, for a raffle book- 0431644636 OR [antheamurray@optusnet.com.au](mailto:antheamurray@optusnet.com.au)**

All raffle books sold or unsold should be returned to Anthea by Friday August 28<sup>th</sup>, 2015

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# Girls Welfare Advisor Hunters Hill High School

My name is **Ms Julia Riviera** and I am the **Girls Welfare Advisor Hunters Hill High School**. As a member of the Hunters Hill School community for the past eighteen months, I have been impressed by the unity and dignity which is evident within our school community.

My background is in Personal Development, Health and Physical Education. Due to this background and my life experience, I have a strong commitment to female students and their ability to develop positive wellbeing. In my view, this positive well-being should encompass all aspects of their health: social; cognitive; physical and emotional.



Having been involved in various mentoring roles, I believe that firm guidance and direction for female students in their teenage years is paramount and is the best preparation for their future.

As part of my role as the Girls Welfare Advisor, I have direct and regular contact with female students and am readily available to support, guide and assist them feel supported at every level. As a member of the school's Learning Support Team, I am in regular contact with the school's Executive and Year Advisors which allow matters of concern to be dealt with as soon as they present themselves.

## **My role includes:**

- Monitoring trends in individual students relating to: academic progress; classroom behavior; attendance; social behavior; uniform and refer, where necessary, to the school's Counsellor, Year Advisors, Principal or Deputy Principals.
- Initiating, developing and enhancing programs that develop and promote group cohesion and identification.

## **As a member of the school's Learning and Support Team:**

- I attend and contribute to Learning and Support Team Meetings.
- I contribute to, and participate in, the development and implementation of school policy relating to Student Welfare.
- I liaise with the School Counsellor and refer students of concern.

## **As an Administrator:**

- I regularly survey students and monitor their interests and concerns.
- I develop and implement initiatives and programs which assist students plan for their future. Whilst this planning covers all aspects of their future, female students' engagement with their learning and their academic achievement are at the heart of my work.
- I work as part of a team with Year Advisors to assess and address female students' welfare.

## **Communication between home and school:**

- As part of my role, depending on the situation and circumstance, I communicate welfare related issues specific to female students and their needs directly to students and/or to parents/caregivers.
- As I am a member of the Science Faculty, I can be contacted through the Science Staffroom extension, or via email at [julia.riviera4@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:julia.riviera4@det.nsw.edu.au)
- Information can also be communicated through your daughter's Year Advisor.

## **COMING UP:**

On July 16<sup>th</sup> Year 9 and 10 girls will have the Brent Sanders Seminar held in the Performance Space during periods 1 and 2.

On August 13th we will have the Police Liaison Officer here for the junior years including the year 9 and 10 boys.

The schedule is planned to run as follows:

P1 & 2 - 7 and 8 boys  
P3 & 4 - 7 and 8 girls  
P5 & 6 - 9 and 10 boys

**Julia Riviera**  
**Girls Welfare Advisor**

## **Important update:**

# **Download the HHHS Skoolbag App to your smartphone**

Our School now has our own **Skoolbag** iPhone and Android App to help us communicate more effectively with our Parent/Student community. We are asking parents/students to install our **Skoolbag** School App. To install it, just search for our school name Hunters Hill High School in either the Apple App Store, Windows Phone, and Windows Store or Google Play Store.

HHHS is planning to move away from SMS messaging updates. SMS messaging will be replaced by 'push notifications' sent via our app.

Please download the app and explore its content. You will find this app a very useful resource and communication tool. The app includes specialised sections for parents and students, including all student timetables and e-forms to submit explanations of absence and change of detail updates. Please view the instruction page attached to the rear of this newsletter for installation instructions.

**Josh Gane**



# Variety Night 2015



Hunters Hill High School's Variety Night 2015 was a fabulous success. True to the name, the night was composed of a great variety of acts, from student groups such as the dance troupes and concert band, to HSC performances and solos, bands, percussion, dances and break dancing.

This year featured some of the strongest musical acts, and a great variety, from violins to jazz to saxophone and even a thongaphone. This would not have been possible without the leadership and creative drive of Ms Jenny Deagle. Congratulations to all performers involved.

It was a final performance for the Year 12 students, many of whom have participated in Variety Night for many years, they will be missed but we wish them well in the future.

Congratulations to the back stage and tech crew, and to the P&C for running the BBQ. But most of all, thank you to all those who braved to torrential rainfall to support the wonderful community of Hunters Hill High School. Finally I would like to acknowledge the generosity of James Hurworth, father of Ben Hurworth in Year 7, who has filmed the show and the rehearsals, creating a professional recording of everyone's performance. This is in the final stages of production and will be available to all Variety Night participants and audience members soon. Thank you James! I'm looking forward to next year's show.

Ms Julia Brierty

Variety Night Coordinator







## Maths Matters

### YEAR 12 MATHEMATICS

Year 12 students are about to sit their Trial Examinations and we wish them all the best. The period after the Trials is very important and teachers will be working with students to ensure that they are prepared for their HSC examinations in Maths. Students should be completing **at least** one past HSC paper in the relevant Mathematics Course per week. These can be obtained from the BOSTES website [http://www.boardofstudies.nsw.edu.au/hsc\\_exams/](http://www.boardofstudies.nsw.edu.au/hsc_exams/)

We encourage students to seek help with difficulties they may be having with their Mathematics from their classroom teacher or by attending the Numeracy Centre.

### WORLD OF MATHS

On the 22<sup>nd</sup> June the World of Maths Roadshow visited Hunters Hill High School. This gave Year 7 and Year 8 students the opportunity to experience Mathematics related to practical and real-life problems in a fun and interesting way. There were seventeen different activities, accompanied by a workbook, related to the National Curriculum strands of Number and Algebra, Measurement and Geometry, Statistics and Probability, and Working Mathematically.

The instructions and questions on the displays made each session a guided discovery lesson, where the students solved a variety of problems, discovered number patterns, identified geometric properties, thought logically and applied Mathematics to the physical world.

### NUMERACY CENTRE



The Numeracy Centre (Room 408) is open Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday lunchtimes and is staffed by a Maths teacher who is available to help students in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere. Students are encouraged to attend to seek help with any difficulties they may have with their maths work, to complete their maths homework if they are unable to do so at home, and to revise for exams. Students may eat their lunch in the Numeracy Centre while they work. Additionally, if students are absent for a class test or exam, they should report to the Numeracy Centre on the first day of their return to school to complete the test.

Susan Turnbull

Head Teacher Mathematics



# HSIE 7-O Archaeology Seminar



At the end of Week 10 Term 2, the 7-O NaviGATE class was presented with the opportunity to hear from an archaeologist who is currently working on projects in the Sydney region, gaining an enhanced understanding of the relevance of archaeology to our society and the important role it plays in urban planning and development.



Thanks to 7-O parent, Mr Martin Mambraku, students heard a presentation on major developments that are planned for the Parramatta CBD, while Ms Mary Casey, a consulting archaeologist from Casey and Lowe, explained the role of archaeologists in major civil projects.

Mr Mambraku is a Senior Project Manager with Parramatta City Council. He discussed proposed developments at Parramatta Square and the impact this would have on the Parramatta CBD. Parramatta has major historical significance to both Aboriginal peoples and the early European colonists of the Sydney region. As such, developments like Parramatta Square require in-depth analysis in order to preserve the heritage of the area.



Ms Casey discussed the history of convict institutions at Parramatta and the major role that archaeology has played in preserving these sites, while explaining different aspects of archaeological work, such as cataloguing artefacts and managing sensitive dig sites. Students then had the opportunity to ask questions about archaeological work.

Adam Skinner

HSIE Faculty



# NAIDOC Week Celebrations

NAIDOC (National Aboriginal and Islander Day Observance Committee) Week is an Australian observance lasting from the first Sunday in July until the following Sunday.



NAIDOC Week celebrates the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. The week is celebrated not just in the Indigenous communities but also in increasing numbers of government agencies, schools, local councils and workplaces.

Hunters Hill High School students celebrated NAIDOC Week at the end of Term 2 with a visit from Phil Geia. Phil is a *Bwgcolman* (many tribes) with family ties to Yarrabah and the Torres Straits. He had the privilege of attending two types of schools: a mainland school and an Aboriginal school where his grandfather was a teacher.

Phil has many years experience working with school children both nationally and internationally and for the past few years has been working as Cultural Officer at Palm Island. Phil has also been able to travel the world as a dancer and performance artist, sharing aspects of Aboriginal cultures with a global audience.



Phil shared some of the traditional stories of his people, opening the eyes of Year 7 and 8 students to the culture of the “saltwater” people and the experiences of growing up on Palm Island. Students were shown traditional instruments, including the didgeridoo, while some joined Phil on stage and participated in a customary dance of the saltwater peoples. For many students, this was a rare opportunity to understand and appreciate the diverse cultures of Australia and its peoples.

Adam Skinner

HSIE Faculty

## GEOGRAPHY FIELDWORK EXCURSION 2015

Year 10 students and their teachers, Mrs Apostolou, Mr McAlpine and Mr Wong ventured out to the Sydney Harbour Region to fulfil 30% of their course requirements. Students walked to the pier in Hunters Hill and embarked on the ferry for a day of fieldwork fun. Here is their recount.

During our Geography excursion, we cruised through Sydney Harbour in a ferry and learnt about the urban growth and decline of the Sydney Harbour Region. We enjoyed the educational experience. We were told of the history and geographical origins of Sydney Harbour. We stopped at Birchgrove and Shark Island, which both had an amazing view and great adventure places to explore. We played with shells and took photos. We had to fill out excursion booklets, but the tour guide explained to all of us what to look out for. The highlight of the excursion was the magnificent development of Barangaroo. The Excursion was very informative and was more engaging than sitting in the classroom. It was a great way of teaching students about the Sydney Harbour Region.

This was condensed and compiled by **Brigitte, Hannah, Eoghan, Ruby, Lucy and Camaron**

## TECHNOLOGY and APPLIED STUDIES

Currently all Year 7 and 8 students have rotated classes in TAS. This will result in your child studying new topics including Woodwork, Metalwork, Textiles, Food Technology and Graphics. Your child will be required to bring a plastic sleeved folder to class to store information as well as present their design portfolio as part of their learning requirements. It's an exciting time for your child with new discoveries, please discuss with your child their new topic and check the school website for homework requirements. If you have any questions please contact any of the TAS staff at the school.

Warren Pickles

## YEAR 12 LEAVER JERSEY 2016

The current Year 11 students are finalising their choices for the selection of the leaver's jersey for 2016. All instructions on how to order your child's jersey can be found on the Hunters Hill High Skoolbag app. Please spend a moment discussing the nickname your child wishes to place on the jersey. Your guidance with this will be appreciated. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact Mr Pickles at the school.

# SCIENCE – NSW Titration Competition

On Saturday 13th June 2015, we had 12 students from Year 11 and 12 Chemistry compete at Shore for the NSW Titration competition.



**Back row:** Liam Martin, Andrew Gray, Damien Dimos, Ruairi Malcolm, Angelina Tchouechkova, Christallo Dimos, Matthew Hollomon.

**Front row:** Rohan Muduliar, Alysha Durrant, Abigail Aguilara.

**Missing:** Conrad Schnitzler, Harrison Hansford.

Congratulations to all of the students who titrated extremely well. The Year 11 team consisting of Ruairi, Angelina and Abigail did exceptionally well and had the second lowest score of all the teams, hence placing second at the venue. We are waiting to see if this team has made it to the National Titration Competition.

## MORE NEWS IN SCIENCE!!

We welcome our latest edition to the Science Faculty and to the Hunters Hill High Community - **Archie Chiew-Meldrum** who was born on the 8/7/15. A huge congratulations to Michelle Chiew-Meldrum (Head-Teacher Science) and her family!

In her absence, we welcome Warren Pickles, as acting Head Teacher Science! We are excited for the year ahead!

Julia Riviera  
Science Teacher

# Zone and Regional Athletics Carnival

Well, what a day! Congratulations to Hunters Hill High on another outstanding performance in the 2015 Annual Zone Athletics Carnival. This year, the Zone Athletics Carnival was once again held at the Sydney Olympic Park Athletics Centre. I was extremely excited and impressed with the fantastic attendance and sportsmanship of the 96 students representing Hunters Hill High School on the day.

There were some fantastic achievements on the day with a number of records broken. The highlight of the day was the Age/Gender Relay teams. Hunters Hill High entered a team in each age group and was placed in the top 3 for all age groups, a big congratulations to our 14 Year Boys who won their age group. Congratulations to all the students who attended competed and broke personal best records on the day.

The top two students from each gender and age group for each event have made it through to compete at the Regional Athletics Carnival. The 2015 Regional Athletics Carnival will be held on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July at the Sydney Olympic Park (Athletics Centre) Spectators are more than welcome to attend on the day. Good luck to all students competing.

Congratulations to the following student who was crowned age champion on the day:

**14 Year Girls** – Astrid Kingsmill

Ms Woolford

Sports Organiser

## Year 10 Work Experience 2015

During the last week of Term 2, the whole Year 10 cohort embarked on a week of work experience. In Term 1, Students were given instructions and an outline of how to go about finding a placement. This activity was student driven as students were responsible for enquiring about placements, getting all necessary documents completed, returning them to school and doing all of the necessary preparation work before going to work experience.

During the work experience week, I had the pleasure of heading out to visit some of the students and see how they were finding their work experience. A popular choice by students was to work in veterinary clinics with 6 students working at different clinics across Sydney. Other areas of interest included: the health industry, retail stores and hospitality.

The Year 10 students represented their school in an exceptional manner as all of the reports I received from their supervisors were very positive.

A big thank you must go out to the Year 10 Advisor, Mr Sharman, for all his contributions to this experience and to all of the teachers who assisted the students and me.

Daniel Kovacic

Careers Advisor



# LANGUAGE PERFECT



What is Language Perfect?

Used by schools all over the world as an online program to assist in the study of foreign languages, Language Perfect is a powerful tool for students' daily learning, revision, and assessment. Students at HHHS love using this program in their Japanese studies and frequently beg to use the computers at school to further their practice in Japanese. All students of Japanese in Years 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 have a current subscription to Language Perfect for 2015.

What is the Language Perfect World Championship?

Each year during the month of May, Language Perfect holds its World Championship. Over 1,000 schools and 300,000 students from around the world join in to learn and practise vocabulary in foreign languages. They learn vocabulary online, earn points and compete for awards and prizes from the \$100,000 prize pool. Students love competing against each other, competing for their school and competing for their country!

This year we had all our Japanese students take the challenge. Many of our students worked really hard in the World Championships and our school answered over 40,000 questions in total. Excitingly, we have several prize winners from our school and their names are to be announced at next week's assembly. To all who participated in the Language Perfect World Championships well done!

**Ms. Clare Talbot**

**Teacher LOTE (Japanese)**

## Music Soirée 12th August, 2015

The Hunters Hill High Band support committee and the CAPA Faculty are hosting our first Music Soiree on August 12th from 6.30pm in the Phil Daniel's Pavilion. The evening will commence with light refreshments with our concert band opening the performance time from 7.15pm. Other items will include our newest ensembles- string and jazz band as well as a polished item from our contemporary dance troupe. Special guests from our parent population have been invited to perform and a selection of HSC performances will also be presented. The evening should conclude by 8.30pm. This is a great opportunity for parents and friends to connect with the wider school community whilst encouraging the growth of performance in Hunters Hill High. I hope to see you there.

**Jenny Deagle**



# MUSICAL MAKINGS – PROJECT TUBULUM

By Riley Nylund

What do you do when you enjoy exploring music of all forms and you're looking for a creative challenge? You build a tubulum. A TUBULUM? What's **that**, I hear you ask?

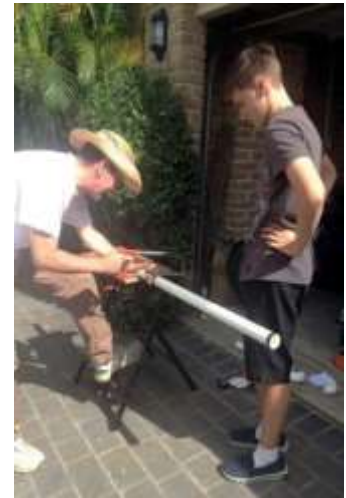
A tubulum, also known as a **thongophone**, is a tuned percussion instrument made from PVC pipes and cut to specific lengths. It looks a bit like a pipe organ. You strike the thongophone with a thong (hence the name), which causes air in the tube to vibrate and create a resonant sound.



When the pipes are cut to the correct length you can create a series of notes of an octave or more, allowing you to compose music or experiment with well known tunes.

Under the expert guidance of P&C Concert Band Coordinator Mitch Kirkman (now a tubulum expert!), 8 PVC pipes were mounted onto a frame constructed of left-over timber. Using a formula to determine the required frequency, the pipes were cut to different lengths, and elbow fittings were used to ensure the

instrument did not extend out too far. We tuned each pipe to the notes of an A major scale using an Iphone App, shaving off small amounts from the pipe to "fine tune" until we had a full scale.



Once building was complete, local artist Sally Marks helped me with some music-inspired stenciling to give the tubulum an artistic edge.

Stage 2 of **Project Tubulum**, was to plan, develop and practise a musical piece for our school Variety Night. With my Year 8 concert band drummer mates - Spyridon and Billy – we brainstormed, improvised, and rehearsed over many sessions to create a performance piece which incorporated the tubulum, floor toms, movement sequences and humour. Our aim was to entertain and engage our audience. Calling ourselves *The Buskerteers*, we had a lot of fun performing our piece at Variety Night once we had it rehearsed to performance standard.

The whole process taught me the value of collaboration and teamwork. I learnt to research and follow through with practical work and benefited from having a mentor to guide me through the building phase. I was able to use my experience and skills to help shape our performance piece

Special thanks to Mitch Kirkman for all his help and support, and Billy and Spyridon, my busketeer buddies, of course! Also thanks to Ms Deagle and Ms Brierty for their support and encouragement which was greatly appreciated.



# Chess Tournament 2015

The 2015 tournament has been played throughout this term in the Library. There were 15 students who competed in the Junior competition and 12 Students in the senior competition. The competition consisted of 3 round robin games with the top 4 players from each competition moving into the finals.

**The finalists for the Junior competition were:**

Brandon Richards of Year 8 and last year's junior champion who beat Winston Quennell in a tough game and Ino Daniel of Year 7 who overcame Maria Antonova of Year 9 to progress to the grand final.

**The runner up for the Junior Tournament was:**

Brandon Richards

**The Junior Chess champion of 2015 is:**

Ino Daniel.

**The senior competition came down to:**

Jack McCreanor who defeated Kai Faghani and Peter Blyde, last year's runner up who scraped past Rohan Mudaliar in an epic match.

**The runner up for the Senior Tournament is:**

Jack McCreanor

**The Senior Tournament Champion for 2015 in his final tournament is:**

Peter Blyde

The runners-up received a \$20 gift voucher to JB Hi-Fi and the Winners a \$30 gift voucher. Well done to all who participated in the tournaments. We look forward to a bigger and better competition next year. Remember the chess club meets every Monday at Lunch time upstairs in the Library. See you there!

Bruce Stewart

## The Great Book Swap

This year our school is supporting the work of the Indigenous Literacy Foundation by holding a Great Book Swap on national Indigenous Literacy Day Wednesday 2 September.

To take part, students need to bring along a book that they are happy to swap with another student and a gold coin donation to choose a "new" book.

Students are encouraged to bring books in to Mr Stewart and the Library before the day, so search your shelves and help us support Indigenous Literacy.

The Indigenous Literacy Foundation (ILF) works to put books into the hands of children and families in remote Indigenous communities across Australia. In the lifetime of the project, with the support of many people and organisations including schools, the foundation has sent more than 120,000 new, high quality books to over 230 remote communities. The ILF also runs an early literacy project called Book Buzz, which puts board books into the hands of babies, toddlers and their families. The Foundation has published and funded more than 40 community books, some of which are translated into first language. Please help us support their work!

You can read more about the ILF here: <http://www.indigenoussliteracyfoundation.org.au/>

Bruce Stewart

# SKI RETREAT UPDATE

The 2015 Ski Retreat is approaching fast. I'd like to thank all the families who have paid and submitted the information sheets on time. I'd also like to take this opportunity to update families and students on the following important information.

**Dates:** Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> July to Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> August

**Time:** Meet in the Phil Daniels Pavilion @ 8:30am on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> July. Returning to HHHS at approximately 10:30pm Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> August. (Students can confirm an accurate ETA around 6pm Sunday night).

**What to bring:** Most importantly, all students must bring their own waterproof gloves, goggles (or sunglasses) and sunscreen. For a more comprehensive 'what to bring list', please visit the website.

**Pre-departure meeting:** Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July @ recess in the Movement Studio. Students will select rooming during this meeting.

Any further questions, please contact Mr Gane.

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# HarbourSculpture

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Harbour Sculpture's stunning natural outdoor gallery of Australian art returns to Sydney's harbour foreshore from the 30th of July through to the 9th of August with over 110 artworks on display. Harbour Sculpture is a unique exhibition of art, held annually on Sydney Harbour. Sprawled across Clarkes Point Reserve and through the Deckhouse function centre and surrounds, Harbour Sculpture attracts the best Australian sculptors to exhibit their work.

Currently in its third year, Harbour Sculpture exhibits work from a range of Australian sculptors ranging from students to established, professional artists. Some examples of these artists include poet and artist Richard Tipping from Redfern; Tasmania's Nick Maxwell; Clayton Blake from Victoria; and last year's Harbour Sculpture prize winners, Senden Blackwood from Orange and Mark Swartz from Marrickville.

Visitors can explore the tranquil Clarkes Point Reserve and engage with the many artworks on display with the exhibition being free to the public. A play area will be provided for children and there will also be learning activities available for students. Volunteers will be located throughout the exhibition for any visitors who have questions about the artwork on display.

The exhibition is located in Woolwich throughout the Clarkes Point Reserve and inside the Deckhouse, visitors can get to the Harbour Sculpture exhibition via the F3 ferry service or 538 bus service as well as by car.

## Harbour Sculpture

Outdoor exhibition: 30 July – 9 August

Deckhouse indoor exhibition: 30 July – 5 August

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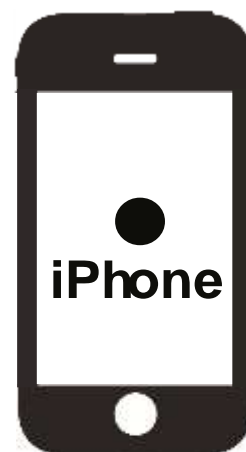
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# Hunters Hill High School

## Term 3 – 2015



Month	Week	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
July	1A	13 School Development Day – Staff Return	14 Students Return	15	16 Yr9&10 Parent / Teacher Night	17 CHS Cross Country
July	2B	20 HSC Trial Exams Regional Athletics P&C Meeting	21 Regional Athletics	22	23	24 25/7 P&C Working Bee
July/ Aug	3A	27 HSC Trial Exams PIP projects due	28	29	30 Ski Trip Aust. Mathematics Competition	31 Ski Trip (& 1 / 2.7.15)
Aug	4B	3	4	5	6 Industrial Tech. Major Projects Due	7
Aug	5A	10 Textiles & Design Major Projects Due	11	12 Music Soirée	13 English Ext 2 Major Works Due	14
Aug	6B	17 Drama Projects Due Drama Performance Examination (tba) P&C Meeting	18	19	20	21
Aug	7A	24 Visual Arts Bodies of Work Due Drama Performance Examination (tba)	25 Grade Sport Semi Finals	26 Yr7 Sports Gala Day MADD Night Gwyn Boyd Visit	27	28 Leadership Assembly
Sep	8B	31 Music Submitted Works Due Music Performance Examination (tba)	1 Grade Sport Finals	2	3 CHS Athletics	4 CHS Athletics Duke of Ed Trip (tba) Legacy Day 5/9 P&C 'Taste Fest'
Sept	9A	7 Duke of Ed Trip (tba) Music Performance Examination (tba)	8	9 Yr11 Exams	10 Yr7 Sports Gala Day (Wet Weather)	11
Sept	10B	14 Yr11 Exams	15	16 Yr12 Graduation Day Assembly	17	18 Last Day of Term 3