



Hunters Hill
High School

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The Figtree

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**Wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and a safe
and happy New Year – See you in 2018!**



DATES TO REMEMBER AND CONTACT DETAILS

IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2018

Staff Return - Monday 29 January, 2018

Year 7, 11 and 12 Students Return - Tuesday 30 January, 2018

Year 8, 9 and 10 Students Return - Wednesday 31 January, 2018

Open Day - Saturday 3 March 2018

HHHS P&C UNIFORM SHOP

Important information for the remainder of 2017 and the start of 2018

Tuesday 8am - 9am

Thursday 8am - 9am

During School Terms

NB: Last Day for 2017 is Tuesday 19 December 8am – 9am

Extended Opening Hours Term 1, 2018 are as follows:

Monday 29 January, 2018 8am – 10am

Tuesday 30 January, 2018 8am – 10am

Wednesday 31 January, 2018 8am – 9am

Thursday 1 February, 2018 8am – 9am

Opening Hours will then return to normal during the school term of Tuesday and Thursday 8am – 9am

K Block First Floor - uniformshhhs@gmail.com

Please see the new Price List on the HHHS website (Updated as at 20 October 2017)

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

As this is the last time I write to you as Hunters Hill High School's Principal, some concluding celebratory words are irresistible. Firstly, to my Senior Executive and Executive Team, loyal, passionate and committed educators, who have my confidence and best wishes as these professionals continue to lead our school community at this exciting time in its history. Whilst our school community farewells and celebrates R/Deputy Principal Josh Gane who has been appointed Deputy Principal at Maitland Grossman High School, I acknowledge Michelle Chiew-Meldrum's appointment as our substantive Deputy Principal. I thank our hard-working, caring and highly skilled teachers, who weave their magic in classrooms every day and every lesson for every child. Our teachers' work is supported very ably by our hard-working Administrative Team led by the outstanding Ms Martha Maroon.

Whilst our teachers and Administrative Team relish the respite that these holidays provide, our students are in need of some rest and recreation. We are blessed with our students, who are well-rounded, decent, young people prepared to give their best in their academic, sporting and cultural endeavours.

Accolades to our 2017 HSC students who have completed their HSC program; particular congratulations to our high performers within this group. R/Deputy Principal Susan Turnbull has commenced her analysis, so watch this space for more information in future newsletters.

I thank and celebrate our parents and their unwavering loyalty and support for our school, staff and students. Due to our dedicated P&C, led by the impressive Margaret Schnitzler, and all parents, who contribute to our school community as well as resource the infrastructure and programs that benefit our students, our school community is a very vibrant one. And what a gift to see our school community captured so brilliantly in the school film unveiled at Presentation Day - thank you James, Soraya and Ben Hurworth for your two year commitment to this film!

My particular thanks to teachers who have managed to teach, complete their marking, write reports as well as drive our Term 4 events including Top of the Hill, Year 6 into 7 Orientation Day, Presentation Day, Sports Presentation Day and the Year 10 Special Assembly. Whilst the curriculum and reward excursions for each cohort, the reward excursion for our wonderful student performers in dance and music as well as the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme expedition are welcomed by students, it is teachers' organisation and commitment that make them possible.

This term has been marked by the Festival of Farewells: the exquisite Soiree, Farewell Assembly, celebration at the recent P&C Christmas Drinks as well as the State and Federal Parliamentary tributes were perfect celebrations for which I am deeply grateful. Your many kind and generous words, gifts, cards, acknowledgements as well as the dedication of the Outdoor Learning Amphitheatre are memories and treasures that accompany me as I take my first tentative steps into retirement.

Even though this term has been occupied with many celebratory occasions, it has been a very productive one in which there has been focus on staffing the school (due to our growing school, a number of new teachers have been appointed and commence in 2018), finalising the curriculum and timetable as well as constructing the school calendar in readiness for a smooth start to the new school year. If necessary, please ensure you access the Uniform Shop during the generous extended hours early in 2018. It is important that all students commence their school year in full school uniform.

Finally, I welcome the incoming 2018 Principal Mr Greg Lill and know that, under Mr Lill's leadership, with your support, our school will continue to grow and our students (including the new 164 Year 7 students) will continue to thrive!

Farewell and happy 60th birthday for 2018!

J. M. Felton
Principal

A final thank you

In the previous Figtree I wrote to the school community to inform you of my departure from HHHS. Following this article, I've been overwhelmed by the kind words, gifts and well wishes from many members of our community. I wish to pass on a final thanks to all the parents, staff and students who have said so many kind things to me over the past month. Your generosity is truly appreciated and I'll forever reflect upon our wonderful times together. I wish everyone an enjoyable, safe and relaxing Christmas holidays.

Mr Joshua Gane
R/Deputy Principal



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OPEN DAY

SATURDAY 3 MARCH 2018

12 NOON-3PM

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**Farewell and best wishes to
Ms Felton and Mr Gane.**

Wishing everyone a happy holiday!