



THE Normanhurst News

The weekly newsletter of Normanhurst Boys High School

Celebrating 50 years of quality boys' education

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From the Principal

Last Wednesday, we had a welcome visit from our new Principal, Mr Jeff Bruce. It was good to be able to introduce him to the staff at our morning tea and have the opportunity for Mr Fielding and myself to talk with him later. We are looking forward to more visits in the coming weeks prior to him taking up his position after Easter.

I would like to extend, on behalf of our school community, a very warm welcome to Mrs Ritu Bhamra who has been appointed to fill our full-time Science/Maths position. Mrs Bhamra joins us from Evans High School. We look forward to working with Mrs Bhamra and hope she has an enjoyable and rewarding time at our school.

Sadly this week we said goodbye to Mrs Karen Hughes who completed her last day with us yesterday. Mrs Hughes, who has been assisting in the school library, has been offered, and accepted a promotion to a local primary school as a School Administration Manager. We congratulate her on the promotion, thank her for the wonderful contribution she has made to our school and wish her well for the future.

Congratulations to Henry Chiu of Year 7 for selection in the String Sinfonia of the NSW Public Schools Instrumental Music Ensembles.

The auditions went very well for the musical "Grease" which will be produced later this year. The production has a wonderful cast comprising of very talented students both from our school and from Hornsby Girls' High. Rehearsals are just under way and we are all looking forward with anticipation to the opening night. It is pleasing to see the students participating with so much enthusiasm and diligence. I had the opportunity to hear the ensemble in their first singing rehearsal and the combined sound they produced was stunning. The first acting rehearsal was somewhat quieter, but equally as intense.

At the school assembly held yesterday it was a very pleasant task for me to present Mr Steed with a certificate of appreciation from Sydney Water. This award was given for his on-going active involvement in the very important Stream Watch program which involves students monitoring the local water courses. It is gratifying that Mr Steed has been recognised in this way. It is also important to remember that many other

staff also give generously of their own time to assist students in a range of valuable activities which supplement, or are additional to their formal studies.

A reminder that anyone, who is a visitor to the school, must report directly to the front office so that appropriate signing in procedures can be completed and assistance provided. We must be aware of all people present in the school at any one time. Apart from child protection issues, it is particularly important in the event of an evacuation.

Unfortunately we have had some thefts in the school recently. It is very distressing to believe that there are students attending our school who would be involved in such anti-social behaviour. Students need to keep valuables with them at all times or preferably not bring valuables to school unless absolutely necessary.

As we are currently experiencing problems with our high volume photocopying machines, it is possible to only produce a shortened version of the newsletter this week. Hopefully we will be back to normal for the next edition. Last week's edition was not printed but can be found on the school website.

F Johnson
Acting Principal

P & C NEWS

Our New Principal

We will welcome our next Principal, Mr Jeff Bruce at our next General Meeting.

IMPORTANT – 'HOW THE HSC WORKS' - 11 MARCH

Mr Rod Miller, our Head Teacher of Mathematics (and a marker of the HSC) will inform parents and others interested about the intricacies of the HSC. This presentation is open to all parents - not just for those with a young man in Year 12. If you have any doubts or questions regarding the HSC it is highly recommended you come along on 11 March and have them answered.

NSW P&C Day – Wednesday 5 March

Those members of the Committee who are available will meet with the teaching and canteen staff. Being a sports day the event will be low key.

Working Bee – Saturday 5 April

Shortly the Committee will provide more detail regarding a working bee each term to assist in improving the grounds of the school. The first is likely to be on

Saturday 5 April. Get your gardening gloves (or a donation) ready!

Next General Meeting

The next P&C General Meeting will be held in the School Library from 8:00pm on Tuesday 11 March. The outline agenda is:

1. Welcome to the Principal designate - Mr Jeff Bruce
2. Presentation: 'How the HSC Works' (Recess)
3. Principal's Report
4. General Meeting. Main agenda Items currently on notice are:
 - Planning framework
 - Review of our Constitution

- Information Plan (what parents want to hear about)
- Grounds Improvement Plan (including 'Working Bee' system)
- Fundraising Plan
- Canteen and Clothing Pool
- Support to school functions during Term 1 (seeking volunteers where required)
- Financials and School requests for P&C funding
- Other items (seeking parent input on issues of importance)

Best wishes,
Pevlin Price
P&C President

SPORTS RESULTS

GRADE SPORT	OPPOSITION	DATE:27/2/2008 WINNER	ROUND No Semi Finals SCORE
1st Cricket			
2nd Cricket	4 vs (1) Homebush	Homebush	Hb 168 def NH 114
15a Cricket	(1) vs (4) Epping	Epping	Epp 6/115 def NH 54
14a Cricket	(2) vs (3) Epping	Epping	Epp 4/109 def NH 8/108
14b Cricket	(3) vs (2) Nth Syd	Draw-Wash Out	NH 134 vs Nth Syd
Senior Baseball	(3) vs (2) Epping	Epping	2-8
Junior Baseball	(3) vs (2)Homebush	Normanhurst	15-10
1st Basketball	(4) vs (1)Nth Sydney	North Sydney	41-44
2nd Basketball	(4) vs (1)Nth Sydney	North Sydney	26-36
15 Basketball	(3) vs (2)Homebush	Normanhurst	23-21
14 Basketball	(1) vs (4)Ashfield	Normanhurst	24-12
1st Volleyball			
2nd Volleyball	(4) vs (1)Homebush 3	Homebush 3	0-2
15 Volleyball	(3) vs (2)Epping	Epping	0-2
14 Volleyball	(4) vs (1)Epping	Epping	0-2
1st Tennis	(2) vs (3)Nth Sydney	North Sydney	4-4 (24-26)
2nd Tennis	(2) vs (3)Nth Sydney	North Sydney	3-5
15 Tennis	(2) vs (3)Homebush	Normanhurst	5-1
14 Tennis	(1) vs (4)Homebush	Normanhurst	6-0
Senior OzTag	(3) vs (2)Asquith	Asquith	7-11
Junior Oz Tag			
1st Waterpolo			
2nd Waterpolo			
15 Waterpolo	(2) vs (1)Homebush	Homebush	3-7
14 Waterpolo			
Senior Futsal	(4) vs (1)Homebush	Homebush	3-6
Junior Futsal	(1) vs (4)Ashfield	Normanhurst	3-2

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<i>Wk</i>	<i>Monday</i>		<i>Tuesday</i>		<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>		<i>Friday</i>
6	3 Mar		4		5	6		7
	Yr7/8	French	Yr7	Teachers'		Zone Swimming		Yr7 Geog Field
	Incursion		Meeting	Yr 11 Exc. Theatre				Study
	Staff Meeting							Yr9 Commerce
	Yr12 Physics		Yr12 English Ext1			Yr12 Software		Field Study
						Design		Battle of the Bands
						Yr12 English Adv		Yr11 English Adv
						Yr11 Drama		