Delivery of 2015 HSC results: This year, HSC results will be delivered to students via email and text message from 6.00am on Wednesday 16 December 2015. Students will also be able to access their results at the same time via Students Online. Students are encouraged to log into Students Online > My Details and check that their email addresses and mobile telephone numbers are correct. They should use their personal email address, rather than school email address, if they are not going to have access to their school account in December.

During the examination period, our Presiding Officer will give all HSC students a “Student Details Form” to take home. This will show the email address and mobile phone BOSTES has for them, and explain how to update them if needed. Students who do not wish to receive their results by email or SMS can opt out via Students Online > My Details until 5pm on Tuesday 15 December. Further information can be found on Students Online > Results > Getting your results. For more information, contact: Students Online

Congratulations to Oscar Fan: Oscar participated and came first in the annual NSW Japanese speech contest. Each contestant in this competition gives a speech about his/her chosen topic and is judged based on presentation, content, and language. Oscar will now progress to the National Finals. (http://www.mq.edu.au/pubstatic/research/centres_and_groups/macquarie_japanese_studies_centre/speech_contes t/)

Congratulations to our Progcomp Team - Declan, James and Harry: The boys worked hard and came 3rd in the State. An excellent achievement against the best minds Australia can offer.

Congratulations to our CHS Athletics boys: The annual CHS Athletics Championships were held at Sydney Olympic Park Athletic Centre during the 3-5 of September. Once again some fine Normo athletes produced results that the school, their parents and they should be very proud of. Well done boys

- Charlie Seppelt 4th 17+ years Javelin
- Adam Halmy Silver 17+ years Steeplechase
- Jacky Chu Silver 12 years Hurdles

Normanhurst Boys Open Day Reminder: Each year we hold an Open day for prospective students and parents of students considering Normanhurst Boys for their son’s education. This Open Day is designed for parents of current Year 5 students who are yet to begin the Selective Schools process (Year 7, 2017). This year the event will be held on the last day of term, Friday, 18 September. If any parents belong to community groups or have friends considering sending their son to a selective school, I would be very appreciative if you could let them know about this event. Disseminating this sort of information to everyone in our broad demographic is almost impossible. More information is available on the school website.
RUOK? Day: On Thursday the SRC organised and conducted our annual RUOK? day. It was a day of awareness-raising related to mental health issues and a strong reminder for staff and students about the importance of supporting each other. Ms O’Neill gave an address, ably supported by the SRC. In addition to events like the staff v student tug-of-war (which, for the record, was won by the teachers), hair painting and guessing competitions, and stalls to assist in fund raising, the day was focused on emphasising caring for each other - a strong and worthwhile message. Thank you to the SRC team and Ms Gibson-Garside for all their hard work in the lead up to and during the day. They really are a group that care.

NORMANHURST BOYS HIGH SCHOOL
An academically selective school for gifted boys

Open Day for Prospective Students for Year 7 2017
Principal’s Address and Small Group Tours
Friday 18 September from 9.30 am to 11 am
Please see the school website or call 9489 1077 for further details

www.normanhurb-h.schools.nsw.edu.au/
Proudly providing the opportunity for boys to maximise learning potential within a holistic and caring educational environment since 1958
Pennant Hills Road
Normanhurst
NSW, 2076

► P&C NEWS
Mr Sade Kalasabail, P&C President

Our Next P&C meeting will be held on Tuesday, 6 October 2015 in the school library at 7.30 p.m.

Further information about P&C is available on the School website http://www.normanhurb-h.schools.nsw.edu.au, under the “P&C” tab along with details of the previous meetings.

► DEPUTY PRINCIPAL’S REPORT
Ms Asli Harman, Deputy Principal

The Tell Them From Me student and parent feedback survey
I am delighted that our school, like many other public schools in the state, will participate in a Department of Education initiative: the Tell Them From Me student and parent feedback survey. The survey aims to help improve student learning outcomes and measures factors that are known to affect academic achievement and other student outcomes. The focus of the NSW-wide survey is on student wellbeing, engagement and effective teaching practices. This information combined with the staff survey conducted earlier, will provide the school triangulated data for informed decisions.

The survey is a great opportunity for our students to provide us with valuable and quick feedback on what they think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them. Schools in Australia and around the world have used the Tell Them From Me survey to help improve.

Running the survey will help our school understand parents’ and carers’ perspectives on their child’s experience at school. These include: communication between parents/carers and staff, activities and practices at home and parent/carer views on the school’s support of learning and behaviour. This valuable feedback will help our school make practical improvements.

The survey is confidential and participating in it is entirely voluntary. It will be conducted online, typically take less than 30 minutes to complete for students and less than 15 minutes for parents/carers. The student survey will be administered during school hours.

The parent survey will be available between Friday 18 September and Monday 12 October. Passwords for parents will be emailed in week 10 with frequently asked questions (FAQ) attached to it. Copies of these FAQ are also available in many languages from the website below.

A Very Important Year 11 Parent and Student Information Evening
I am looking forward to our next Year 11 Parent and Student Information Evening that is scheduled for Thursday of Week 1 Term 4. More detail regarding the evening is provided later in this newsletter. I would like to stress the importance of this evening in supporting your son as he begins his HSC year, and request that you enter this date into your calendar.

Reminder Year 11 Assessment Period Week 9 and 10
Please note that if your son is sick on the day of the task please contact the school or me before 9.00 a.m. See section 2.7.2 for ALL the details of the procedure to follow in the Preliminary Assessment Policy Handbook that can be found on our website along with the appeal and medical forms in school year/year 11/prelim assessment information.

PLEASE CONTACT ME IF YOU ARE UNSURE OF ANY ASSESSMENT POLICY/PROCEDURES.

► LOTE NEWS: OSCAR FAN – WINNER OF NSW JAPANESE SPEECH CONTEST
Ms A Hayes, Japanese Teacher

The annual NSW Japanese Speech Contest encourages learners who are studying Japanese to showcase their language skills in a challenging context. It is jointly run by the Macquarie Japanese Studies Centre, the Consulate-General of Japan in Sydney, Japan Foundation Sydney, NSW Department of Education, and NSW university representatives.

Each contestant is required to give a speech about his/her chosen topic and is judged based on presentation, content, and language.

Oscar Fan, who is studying Japanese Continuers and Japanese Extension for the 2015 HSC, decided to enter the speech contest this year, which took place at Macquarie University on September 5.

Oscar WON the competition and now progresses to the National Final. First prize for the National Final is a trip to Japan.

Congratulations to Oscar on such a fine effort, and good luck in the National Final.

► UNSW SUNSPRINT SOLAR CAR CHALLENGE 2015
Ms N Raj, Technology Teacher

Students in Year 9 and Year 10 Electronics worked collaboratively to design this year’s solar car. The design and construction of the solar car requires a good conceptual understanding of various engineering areas like mechanical (car design), electrical (series and parallel circuitry, speed and torque), electronics (controllers to regulate the power).

Students in both these classes, with some help from the robotics team, worked tirelessly to finish and troubleshoot the car before we took it to the competition.

On the day of the competition the car was put through scrutineering and the boys learnt a lot from trouble shooting the design and electronics. It was a great learning experience for all of us as we took pictures of different competition cars and collaborated with other schools in troubleshooting our car.

This is a state competition and in total there were 10 schools that participated this year. This is our second year into the competition and we learnt a lot from schools that have been racing for 10 to 20 years.

Congratulations to all the participants, you really stepped up the game this year. Our sincere thanks to our Deputy Principal Mr Abas and our Head Teacher Mr Davis for their on-going support and encouragement of this challenge.

► UNSW PROGCOMP2015 GRAND FINAL RESULTS
Mr P Davis, Head Teacher TAS

At the UNSW Open Day crowds of prospective students wandered through festive grounds of sunlight, colour and movement. Meanwhile within darkened walls and hushed spaces seven teams of dedicated highly accomplished computer programmers battled it out for this year’s Progcomp.

These grand finalists had distinguished themselves amongst 233 teams from around Australia. Included in this elite group were the Year 11 team from Normanhurst Boys High.

These 3: Declan McDonnell, James O’Brien and Harry Gougousidis finished the Open round in a commendable 5th.

With so many Year 12 teams of note competing it was always going to be tough to defend last year’s title.

Through dedication, teamwork and effort the Normo boys jumped ranks in the grand final and finished 3rd just behind
James Ruse and Melbourne and in front of Sydney Grammar, Sydney Boys, North Sydney Boys, Kings and Scotch College.

A fantastic result.

Team Captain and Australian programming representative Declan McDonnell after many years of creating efficient code in minimum lines reported simply: “we came 3rd”.

He understands that good code is efficient code and that “brevity is the soul of wit”. Expect next year simply “1st” Congratulations Declan, James & Harry

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**HSC BUSINESS STUDIES TOUR SYDNEY TOWER**

*Oliver Moor, Year 12*

On the 31st of August the Year 12 Business Class went on an excursion to Sydney Tower, in order to learn about the interrelationship between the four key functions of a business (operations, marketing, human resource management and finance). The excursion consisted of two parts; the first being a behind-the-scenes tour of the tower. We learnt many facts during this time, such as the fact that it is cost $36 million to build the tower, and the many different ways they control the quality of their product.

Although that half of the excursion was extremely insightful, it was not the part the students were most looking forward to.

The second half involved experiencing the business, as would an ordinary consumer. We were able to eat in the restaurant. It was, however, no ordinary restaurant, rather it was an ‘all you can eat’ revolving buffet restaurant, located 260m above sea level. There was an entire smorgasbord of food available from, emu and crocodile sausage all the way to green tea jelly. Everyone definitely ate all they could eat.

One and a half hours later, with stomachs almost bursting at their seams, everyone stumbled from their seats ready to descend down the elevator back to ground level.

Ultimately we learnt about many different aspects of this business, which we will all be able to make use of when we write our upcoming HSC exam. A special thank you goes to Ms Rahman for organizing such an incredible (and delicious) excursion. Next year’s Business Studies cohort will most definitely love this excursion.

Business Studies really is the subject that keeps on giving!
YEAR 11 PARENT & STUDENT INFORMATION EVENING
Ms R Thomas, Head Teacher Welfare

An information evening will be held for the Year 11 parents and students in the first week of next term. Please see the details below. An invitation will be emailed to parents early next week.

Year 11 Parent and Student Information Evening

Assisting your Child to Succeed in HSC Assessment
Thursday 8th October 2015
6:15 pm - 9:00pm (approx.)
School Hall
This is an evening for parents and students sponsored by the P & C.

CAREERS NEWS
Mrs. K Woodhams, Careers Adviser

Important Information – Calendar of Events
Check this calendar for upcoming University Open Days, Parent/Student university nights plus more
Go to: http://www.nbhsCareers.com
We also have additional information including a comprehensive calendar on the MhsCareers website
www.mhscareers.net
User name: nbhs - Password: careers

SCHOOL CAREERS INFORMATION
Year 12
NOW!
*Three Point Plan due
*UAC preference information page due
*Collect early reference from office
*Collect cover page from careers office
*Applications requiring hard copy school information
Charles Sturt, James Cook and UWS Medicine information to me NOW
*UAC ENTRY before Wed 30 Sept 2015.
*SRS ENTRY if applying, before Wed 30 Sept 2015
*EAS If applying, application & support documentation to Mr Abas

Important date reminders
Graduation Assembly and Dinner – Tuesday 15 Sept
Last Day of Term 3 – Friday 18 September
On-time UAC UAC applications close: 30 September
SRS applications close: Wednesday 30 September
SRS Course Preference 1: Monday 30 November
Formal – Monday 23 November
HSC results released: Wednesday 16 December
ATARs released: Thursday 17 December
Celebration BBQ: Thursday 17 December
Closing date main round: Wednesday 6 January, 2016
Main Round university offers: Wednesday 20 Jan, 2016
Graduation - Tuesday 15 September
BBQ – 7.30am outside the hall
Concert – period 1 (years 7&8) & period 2 (years 9&10)
Fun photo on the oval - Period 3
Dinner – 6.30pm Hornsby RSL

Students who have applied for an early school reference for their university submissions can collect them from the Office. Thank you to the student’s mentors, Mrs Gan, Mrs Campbell and the staff that assisted with proof reading particularly Dr Lawson and Mr Johnson.

Applying for University
UAC Preferences need to be done NOW.
Every year 12 student has been issued with a copy of the UAC Guide 2015-2016 and a comprehensive handout. Go to www.nbhsCareers.com – HSC/RoSA

UAC for year 12 (&10)
*All About UAC for Year 11 & 12
*All About UAC FAQs about the ATAR
*All About UAC FAQs for Parents
There is also a video on the site explaining the UAC entry process.
Students will need their student number and UAC pin the first time they submit their preferences. At this point they will be issued with their UAC number. The on time cost is $32 and students can use credit card, Billpay, PayPal or BPay.

Remember, the application remains live until July 2016. Students need to be aware the same course second semester may have a different UAC code. You can add preferences after 12 February (no late fee) for a second semester offer.
Wednesday 30 Sept 2015 on-time applications close.
Students will be able to access their ATAR from 9am on Thursday 17 December 2015
Students can change their university preferences with UAC up until the 6 January 2016 for consideration for a main round offer semester 1.
Students who don't have their UAC PIN should call UAC immediately on 1300 692 827 to have it re-issued.

Check the Undergraduate course updates section on UAC’s website for new or cancelled courses.

Educational Access Schemes (EAS) Applications
The EAS application combined with the support documentation to Mr Abas as soon as possible. The boys have had this explained and they have information on what support documentation is required.

**Equity Scholarships 2016**

Students applying for EAS are advised to complete the Equity Scholarship application as well. Spare booklets are outside my Office or can be downloaded from the UAC website. Equity Scholarships on-time closing date for applications is also 30 September.

**Schools Recommendation Schemes (SRS) – 2016**

There are ten universities participating, they are ANU, Charles Sturt, Griffith, Macquarie, National Art School, University of Canberra, UNE, University of Newcastle, UTS and UWS. Go to [www.nbhsCareers.com](http://www.nbhsCareers.com) – Post School Options – University – University Information – Early Entry. Check courses available. The course has to be the student’s first UAC preference on the 30 November 2015 to be considered.

Further information on EAS, SRS and Equity Scholarships can be found at: [www.uac.edu.au](http://www.uac.edu.au)

**University Pathways and University Internal Transfer Policies**

Year 12 ‘Last Week’ and Post-Graduation Careers Information

Year 12 received information and a handout on HSC results, ATAR, UAC entry, university offers and enrolment at their year meeting on Wednesday. The information has also been emailed to Year 12.

**Careers Review**

Normanhurst Boys has been selected by the Department of Education for a Careers Review/Survey. The research is being undertaken by the University of Melbourne. Years 10 & 12 are involved. Thank you to the students and their parents for returning the consent form so quickly. The boys are required to complete the survey this term.

**UNIVERSITIES**

University of Sydney Engineering Leadership Scholarships

Applications close: Fri 9 October

Students will receive an annual stipend of $18,000 and take part in an annual structured professional experience placement with a leading firm. Scholars will also receive leadership insights through working with the University of Sydney’s John Grill Centre for Project Leadership and by having direct access to an industry mentor.

Contact: [engineering.scholarships@sydney.edu.au](mailto:engineering.scholarships@sydney.edu.au)


**Southern Cross University: School of Arts & Social Sciences Graduate Stories**

The Graduate Stories page on SCU’s website showcases some of the careers of former students, the pathways to their careers, and the courses they studied at SCU.

http://scu.edu.au/arts-social-sciences/index.php/113

**University of Western Sydney now Western Sydney University**

As of the 30 of August, the University of Western Sydney is now called Western Sydney University. According to Vice-Chancellor Professor Barney Glover, the initiative is about putting Western Sydney first, and acknowledging the University’s commitment to the region – one of the fastest growing and most dynamic areas in the country.


**UTS: Big Day In Videos**

Big Day In is an IT conference for students interested in careers in technology. Some of the presentations from the Big Day In Conference held at UTS earlier this year are available to view online.

To watch these videos, visit: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCjNsKbeNN5CPeCMliO8x9Jw/videos](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCjNsKbeNN5CPeCMliO8x9Jw/videos)

**Nursing and Allied Health Undergraduate Scholarship and Support Scheme**

Applications close Monday 21 September

Available to students who intend to enroll in an accredited/approved undergraduate allied health course in 2016. Successful applicants will receive up to $5,000 per year for full time students ($2,500 for part time) as a contribution towards the cost of study to a maximum value of $30,000.

Contact: 1800 117 262 or scholarships@acn.edu.au

http://www.acn.edu.au/nahss_support

**ACU: Current Student Videos**

ACU has a number of videos on YouTube featuring interviews with current students about their life at ACU. The videos provide an insight into the various courses available. [https://www.youtube.com/user/viewACU](https://www.youtube.com/user/viewACU)

**The University of Newcastle: Student Living Brochure**

Accommodation applications open Thu 1 October. The brochure provides information on accommodation options and associated costs at The University of Newcastle. [http://www.issuu.com/universityofnewcastle/docs/2015_student_living_brochure_digit](http://www.issuu.com/universityofnewcastle/docs/2015_student_living_brochure_digit)

**UNSW: Current Affairs in Aviation Australia**

Thu 1 October – Fri 2 October, 9.30am – 3.00pm, UNSW Kensington

A two-day short course aimed at secondary students interested in a future career in the aviation industry. The course will outline some of the issues facing the industry today, including airline competitors in the Asia Pacific, aviation safety, strategies of international airlines, flying technologies, and the role of airports.


**CSU Expands Relationship with Korean University**

Charles Sturt University (CSU) has signed two agreements with Soongsil University in Korea to expand mutual study and exchange opportunities for their students and staff.


**UTAS Law Relocation Scholarship**

Students who relocate to Tasmania to study Law at UTAS and have achieved an ATAR of 90+ are eligible for a Relocation Scholarship of $5,000.

Contact: Kira.White@utas.edu.au or Miriam.Chalk@utas.edu.au or 03 6226 7510


**My Health Career: ATARS for Exercise Science and Dentistry Courses**

Throughout September My Health Career will be publishing the ATARS for every undergraduate health course in Australia.


PRIVATE COLLEGES
Coco Republic Design School: Masterclasses
Drawing & Illustration: Sat 12 September
Colour for Interiors: Sat 26 September
The Outdoor Space: Sat 3 October

OTHER NEWS
Defence Jobs Australia: Information Sessions
Online – Careers in the ADF Q & A: Thu 20 September, 6.30pm
https://www.facebook.com/DefenceJobsAustralia/events

National Summer Art Scholarships 2016
Applications close Wed 30 September
Scholarships allow students in Year 11 to spend a week over summer (9 – 16 January 2016) at the National Gallery of Australia, Canberra. This provides an opportunity to engage with staff at the National Gallery as well as other arts professionals, artists and peers from around the nation.
Two students from each state and territory will be selected to participate in the program.
Contact: (02) 6240 6632 or summerartscholarship2015@nga.gov.au

TSFX: Creating and Implementing Effective Exam Study Timetables

Art Gallery NSW: Workshops
Digital selfies snaps photography: Sat 12 Sept, 1 – 4pm
Facing off drawing workshop: Sun 13 Sept, 1 – 4pm
Lightfold lamp workshop: Sat 19 Sept, 1 – 4pm
Creative clay workshop: Sat 26 Sept, 1 – 4pm
Drawing with thread workshop: Sun 27 Sept 1pm – 4pm

Myfuture YouTube Channel
Myfuture’s YouTube Channel features popular occupation videos from the Myfuture website and previously unpublished videos.
https://www.youtube.com/user/myfutureAustralia

All of the information is emailed in good faith and it is the responsibility of the reader to confirm all details with the appropriate institution. Make sure you look at any relevant websites.

Don’t hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

► SUMMER SPORTS RESULTS, ROUND 3
Mr Peter Edwards, Sports Coordinator

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